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CONNECTION Flu shots

The Salvation Army and Kroger are working together to provide flu shots to the uninsured with a program that runs through Feb. 28 or until the local supply of flu vaccines runs out.

To qualify for this assistance, the families or individuals will first be screened by the Salvation Army and receive a voucher. A separate voucher is required for each family member ages 6 months and up. The vouchers can then be presented to the pharmacy at the Kroger store of the bearer's choice.

Officials note this program is for non-insured individuals only and the flu shots will be administered by Kroger personnel at times indicated at the pharmacy.

For more information, call the Plymouth Salvation Army at (734) 453-5464.

Seeking suspect

The Canton Police Department is asking for assistance with identifying an African-American male suspected in the robbery of a Canton gas station.



Canton Police are looking for help finding this man, suspected of robbing a Canton gas station of some \$1,300 Dec. 21.

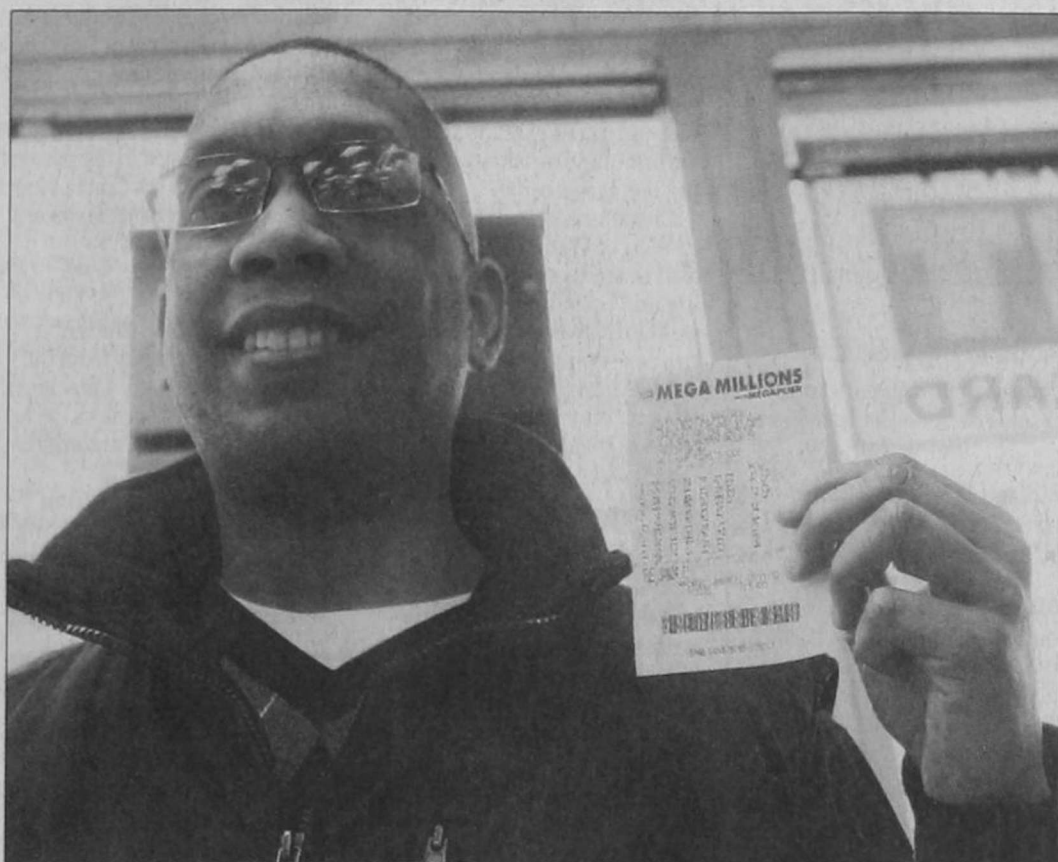
The suspect entered a Shell gas station on Michigan Avenue in Canton on Dec. 21, at approximately 9:30 a.m., produced a black semi-automatic handgun to the clerk behind the counter and demanded cash from the register. The suspect struck the clerk in the head with the gun and left with an undisclosed amount of cash.

Police are asking anyone with information on the identity of the suspect to please contact the Canton Police Department at (734) 394-5400. Crime Stoppers will also take anonymous tips at (800) SPEAK UP, or online to www.1800speakup.org. Crime Stoppers will pay up to \$1,000 for a tip that leads an arrest.

Phone trouble

Canton's Information Technology Services Division began Tuesday the process of upgrading and consolidating current telephone systems throughout municipal government buildings. Officials say the transition will take some four to five weeks to complete. During this transition, telephone services will be temporarily unavailable in the areas where the upgrades are taking place.

The main Canton Township telephone number, (734) 394-5100, will remain available at all times during business hours, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Canton 9-1-1 emergency service will not be affected by work on the phone lines.



Ken Norwood of Canton bought his ticket at the Shell Station on the corner of Ford Road and Haggerty Road, the same location that sold a \$75,000,000 winner back in 2006.

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Ticket to riches

Players shoot, miss \$355 million lottery jackpot

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Jaimee Magyaros had never purchased a ticket for the Michigan Lottery's Mega Millions jackpot game.

Until Monday. With the jackpot estimated to be some \$355 million, Magyaros, a Canton resident, joined the millions of people hoping to strike it rich with one of the richest pots in lottery history. Only two people did though — winning tickets were drawn in Idaho and Washington.

"Because it's so high, and there might be some possibility (of getting rich)," Magyaros said with a smile, explaining her first foray into the lottery. "I'm feeling lucky today."

So, apparently, were a lot of people. Lottery participation generally increases exponentially the higher the jackpot goes, with countless players hoping for the big hit.

At the Plymouth Super Center, for instance, store manager Crystal Ford estimates lottery participation jumps 30-40 percent when the Mega Millions jackpot climbs this high. It is natural, she said, for players to be attracted to the larger amounts.

"It always spikes," Ford said. "They see a chance to win



At the Shell Station on Ford Road and Haggerty, Alkesh Patel sells what just might be a winning ticket to Bothina Ramlawi, a resident of Canton. She turned in \$7 worth of winning tickets to buy her Mega Millions.

huge amounts of money, and they want to get involved."

That's what attracts lottery player Jeff Korreck of Plymouth. He said he doesn't spend his money on the lottery, which resets to \$12 million after someone wins, until it climbs to more like \$75 million.

He said the cash option — where the winner takes half the pot (minus taxes) rather than spreading it out over 20 years — makes playing with such a high jackpot attractive.

"Why wouldn't I?" he said. "If I can leave the lottery office with \$120 million, why wouldn't I try? I don't play when it's low, but when

it hits around \$75 million, I definitely start getting interested."

The fact the much greater number of players actually lowers the odds of winning doesn't deter players, according to Sheryl Stacey, the general manager at Plymouth Super Center. Players, she said, don't make the connection between the number of players and the odds of winning.

"They just think the bigger the jackpot, the more they can win," Stacey said. "They don't put it together that the more people, the less chance (of winning). They're excited."

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Tea Party parties for one of its own

BY MATT JACHMAN
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Organized less than two years ago, the Plymouth area's Tea Party movement celebrated a major victory Monday as one of its own took elected office.

Freshman Michigan Sen. Patrick Colbeck, R-Canton Township, was sworn in during an informal, but very public, ceremony at the

Plymouth Cultural Center, where the Rattle With Us Tea Party meets regularly. State Supreme Court Justice Robert Young administered the oath.

"Patrick is one of us," Rattle With Us co-founder Maribeth Schmidt of Salem Township told the crowd of nearly 200 people. "He decided that, 'Enough is enough. I'm going to take a stand.'"

Colbeck, 45, is an aerospace engineer and management

consultant who advocates smaller, less-expensive government and lower taxes. One of the early Rattle With Us members in 2009, he formally announced his candidacy during a rally at Kellogg Park last April 15 — the income tax filing deadline. He was the top Republican vote-getter in a four-way race in the August primary, and won

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Lion's relative faces charges in Canton gun case

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Canton police say Detroit Lions safety Louis Delmas didn't receive any preferential treatment when he wasn't charged — though his relative was — following a road rage incident involving a gun in December.

"The investigation was conducted, and (Delmas) was listed as a witness," police Sgt. Mark Gajeski said. "The gun was registered to him, but he has a concealed pistol license out of Florida."

Ravelle Sadler, a 20-year-old Cincinnati resident, faces trial on five weapons charges amid allegations he pointed a .40-caliber semiautomatic handgun at three teens while he was driving a silver Nissan Titan pickup truck on Ford Road about 2:15 a.m. Dec. 21. Delmas was a passenger in the Nissan.

Delmas, 23, told police Sadler was his brother, Gajeski said. Delmas lists his address as Miami, Fla., but lives in Canton during the football season, Gajeski said.

Sadler is accused of pointing the gun at the Garden City and Canton males — ages 16, 17 and 18 — after the teens drove alongside the Nissan near Ford and Lilley as one of them wore a Michael Myers-style Halloween mask while traveling west on Ford Road in Canton, police said. One of the teens told police the mask was worn as "a joke," according to a police report.

Delmas wasn't charged even though the gun was his, Gajeski said. "There has been no indication that he gave (Sadler) the gun. We do not foresee any charges against (Delmas) in the future."

Detective Sgt. Dave Schreiner said police investigated the incident and turned the information over to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office, which decides criminal charges.

"Our job is to do what's right and make sound decisions that are not based



Sadler

on public opinion or somebody's popularity as a public figure," Schreiner said.

Just this week, Sadler was ordered to stand trial in Wayne County Circuit Court on three counts of assault with a dangerous weapon, one felony firearm charge and one count of carrying a concealed weapon.

If convicted, he could face penalties ranging up to five years in prison. The felony firearm charge carries a mandatory two-year term upon conviction.

Some people, including some readers of the *Observer's* online edition, have said the teens shouldn't have been involved in donning a mask for a prank after 2 a.m.

According to a police report, the teens feared Sadler was going to fire the gun, but they trailed the Nissan and called 9-1-1, prompting police to stop the truck near Ford and Ridge roads.

Police handcuffed Sadler who, according to the police report, initially denied knowing anything about a gun being inside the vehicle. Police said Delmas confirmed there was a gun in the truck, that it was his and could be found in a passenger side door panel.

The police report said the gun's chamber was clear of any rounds, but the weapon had a magazine containing 12 rounds.

One of the teens told police Delmas could be seen looking at their car, though a police report said Delmas told authorities he was half-asleep until he woke up and saw Sadler with a gun. The report said Delmas told police he reached over to take the gun from Sadler and wasn't sure if, during the

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"Around Canton" is designed to announce upcoming events taking place in the community. Items will run on a space-available basis. Send details to bkadrich@hometownlife.com

Cheer clinic

The Canton High School cheerleaders host a "Kids Cheer Clinic" 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 15, at the Canton High School cafeteria.

The clinic is open to potential cheerleaders from kindergarten to eighth-grade. Clinic goers should wear comfortable shorts and gym shoes. The \$30 cost covers the clinic, drink/snack and a Canton Cheer T-shirt.

Registration starts at 9:30 a.m., and space is limited. For more information, call (734)

397-3766 or e-mail cindy-druck@gmail.com

Charity event

United Home Health Services, a local home care company in Canton, hosts its fifth annual charity event 6:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 28, at Hawthorne Valley Country Club in Westland.

The evening consists of an all-you-can-eat buffet dinner followed by the comedy of Dwayne Gill, by day a police officer and by night a professional stand-up comedian. Known for his engaging personality and stage presence, Gill has been performing comedy since 1993. His topics range from current events and male/female relationships

to the crazy situations he's encountered as a police officer.

Reservations are \$50 per person and can be made by calling Mary Jane Swanson at (734) 981-8820 by Jan. 18. All proceeds go toward United's Patient Support Fund, which is used to provide home care to patients who do not have health insurance or whose needs go beyond insurance coverage. It is also used to provide food, clothing, emergency medications, transportation, and medical equipment for patients in need.

Business women meet

The Canton Business & Professional Women meet 6-8:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 10, at Palermo's Restaurant, 44938 Ford Road in Canton.

The group's goal is to promote full participation, equity and economic self-sufficiency for America's working women.

It's designed for women looking for leadership development, informative programs, business contacts and networking opportunities, mentor relationships, professional growth and political advocacy.

Guest speaker for Monday's meeting is Judy Ellis, executive director of First Step.

For more information e-mail June Nicholas at junenicholas@comcast.net or call (313) 610 256. RSVP's are required.

Chef Jesse cooks

Chef Jesse Gales will offer a taste-testing opportunity at the Canton Township Weight Watchers center Thursday, Jan. 20.

The meeting is open and free to the public so anyone who is interested in learning more about Weight Watchers, without having to pay a meeting fee, is welcome.

Chef Jesse, the official chef of Weight Watchers Group, will also share tips on healthful eating and cooking techniques, as well as answer questions about the new PointsPlus Program.

The Canton Township Weight Watchers center is located inside the Willow Creek Plaza at 41814 Ford Road. Meetings will begin at 10:30 a.m. and at noon.

New Hope seminar

Anyone who has recently suffered the loss of a loved one might want to check out a seminar being offered by New Hope Center for Grief Support in Northville.

On Wednesday, Jan. 19 at 6 p.m., attorney Ron Thompson of Thompson-Platte will offer a legal perspective regarding the many issues someone might face when someone they love dies. These include minimizing tax consequences, dealing with decedent's creditors, methods to best protect surviving family members and the issues involving updating wills and trust.

The free seminar will be offered at New Hope Center for Grief Support at 315 Griswold, Northville. Seating is limited; call (248) 348-0115 to register.



Music and dance

Experience music, dance and drama from around the world when the Canton International Festival returns to The Village Theater at Cherry Hill Saturday. This cultural and educational festival offers participants entertainment and experiences celebrating diverse customs and traditions from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the main stage of The Village Theater, located at 50400 Cherry Hill in Canton. Featured dance performances will represent various cultures and countries, including Philippines, Hawaiian, Ireland, India, Sri Lanka, China, and the United States, which will showcase Hip Hop and Jazz to name just a few. Admission to this event is \$1 per person at the door. For more information about the Canton International Festival, call (734) 394-5308 or visit www.cantonvillagetheater.org.

Nuns in charge

"Put the Nuns in Charge," a long-running comedy from the author of "Late Night Catechism," is coming to St. Thomas a Becket Catholic Church in Canton 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 28.

Ticket prices range from \$20 for non-reserved seating and go up to \$75 for front row seats. All tickets include a desert afterglow. All proceeds will go to two great causes - St. Pat's Food Pantry in Detroit and World Youth Day.

Child care will be provided for a small donation. Tickets must be purchased in person with cash or check at St. Thomas a Becket, located at 555 S. Lilley Road in Canton, south of Cherry Hill Road. Contact the church at (734) 981-1333 for further information.

Chili cookoff

VFW Post 6695 and its Ladies' Auxiliary host "Winter Warmup Chili Cookoff" to benefit the Ladies' Auxiliary Saturday, Jan. 15.

The cookoff takes place 5-8 p.m. at the VFW Post, 1426 S. Mill in Plymouth. Cost is \$5 for chili and three votes.

For more information, call Susie Wagner, (734) 934-6867.

One-act festival

TLC Productions has organized Canton's first One Acts Festival, Jan. 21-23, at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton.

Six original plays have been chosen from among more than 100 nationwide submissions. Three of the one-acts are by Michigan playwrights, including Canton's David Lew Cooper and Jacob A. Zinke, and Randy Wyatt of Grand Rapids. Note to parents: this production is PG-13.

TLC Productions is made up of Canton's own Tim Chanko, Linda Pohl and Christopher Tremblay.

Show dates are Jan. 21-22 at 8 p.m., and 2 p.m. Jan. 23.

The One Acts Festival is organized by TLC Productions, sponsored by the Partnership for the Arts and the Humanities, and offered in partnership with The Village Theater at Cherry Hill.

Tickets are \$10 each. Go to tlcprod.wordpress.com/the-festival or call the Village Theater Box Office at (734) 394-5300.

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Furloughs close township hall 12 days COLBECK

BY DARRELL CLEM
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Attacking a projected \$15-million deficit, Canton leaders plan to close township hall for 12 days this year as employees brace for unpaid furlough days, though officials say police and fire protection and most recreational programs will remain intact.

Residents who want to visit township hall on Canton Center south of Cherry Hill to pay taxes, settle up their water bills, register to vote, get a traffic-accident report or obtain a building permit, among other services, should mark their calendars.

Jan. 28 marks the first furlough day ushering in township hall closings, followed by Feb. 21, March 25, April 25, May 27, June 24, July 1, July 29, Aug. 19, Sept. 2, Oct. 21 and Nov. 14.

Human Resources Manager David Medley said just over 200 of Canton's 365 employees will have those unpaid days off, along with eight floating furlough hours, after township officials negotiated or imposed what essentially amounts to a 5-percent pay cut for union and non-union workers.

To perhaps soften the blow, some of the furlough days will give employees longer week-ends around holidays such as Memorial Day, the Fourth of July and Labor Day.

Department heads face the same furlough days, but Medley and township Supervisor Phil LaJoy said police officers and firefighters will remain on the job to protect Canton. Medley said those groups took other concessions such as accepting fewer paid days off along with changes in benefits and pensions.

Moreover, Medley said furlough days for Canton Leisure Services will be staggered so that the Summit on the Park, municipal golf course and softball center can remain open, albeit with fewer employees on certain days.

"We're going to try to run the Leisure Services programs as we normally would," Medley said.

The furlough days come as Canton moves to avert a \$15-million deficit by next year — largely fueled by sharply declining property values and tax revenues.

Employee concessions became one of a three-pronged effort that also included \$1.8 million in other spending cuts and a decision to impose a 1.75-mill public safety tax costing an average Canton homeowner with an \$89,100 taxable value an additional \$156 a year.

LaJoy said the township has essentially imposed a hiring freeze — refusing to fill most vacant positions but avoiding widespread layoffs that many

harder-hit communities have imposed.

"We're going to keep people working," LaJoy said. "This did avoid layoffs. We didn't pink-slip anybody."

Even so, outside auditors from the firm Plante Moran have said the township will continue to face financial difficulties until property values begin to rebound. Late last year, Plante Moran partner Michael Swartz said "there's not a silver bullet in the revenue stream."

So, that meant budget cuts. However, local officials adopted a two-year budget which LaJoy said gave them a more comprehensive blueprint than was the case in years past, when elected leaders approved a one-year spending plan.

"We're going to be constantly looking at our budget as a blueprint," LaJoy said. "Our plan is to constantly be looking at it, fine-tuning it, streamlining it, being as efficient as we can and cutting (spending) as we can."

Local officials have held out hope that Canton, which already lured several new large businesses last year, will continue to benefit from economic development.

"I see some good signs for the new year," LaJoy said, though he said it was premature to cite specific projects.

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in November over Democrat Kathleen Law, a former state representative.

Colbeck said he's been working — picking a staff, setting priorities, planning strategy and preparing bills — since the day after the November election. Priorities, he said, include job creation, government transparency, and getting rid of the state's structural deficit by cutting the cost of government.

He said he's optimistic that progress can be made, and said his new colleagues — including many Democrats — have shown a willingness to work toward those goals.

"I think they're ready to make the tough choices," Colbeck said.

Colbeck briefly introduced his wife, Angie, and his staff, which includes Sharon Lollio of Plymouth, who will manage the senator's office in Lansing and handle constituent relations.

"For the first time in a long time, I feel really optimistic about our future," said Lollio, a key Rattle With Us organizer.

Colbeck also tipped his hat to his predecessor in the state Senate's 7th District, Republican Bruce Patterson of Canton, who was in the crowd. Patterson was a defender of the Constitution, and "I plan to serve likewise," Colbeck said.

Young, who was welcomed upon his late arrival with a standing ovation, seemed taken aback at the attention.

"This is Patrick's day. I just came down to swear him in," he said.

He congratulated Rattle With Us members on their efforts in Colbeck's campaign, and warned, "Do not go to sleep or the government will be eating your lunch again."

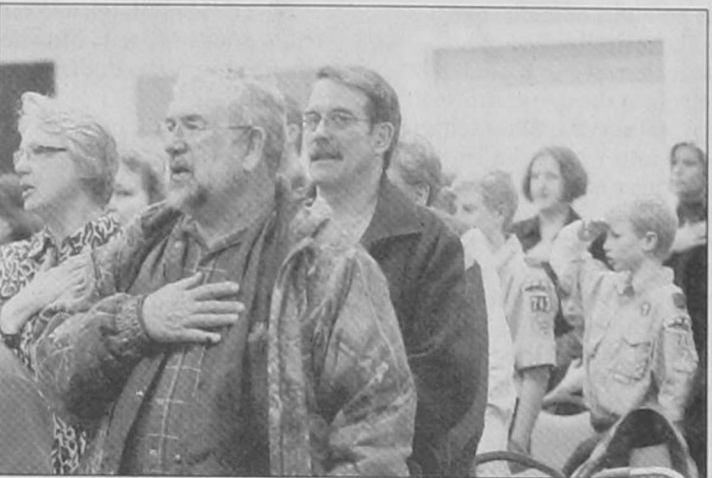
He also told Colbeck to be careful about what he puts into laws, because "I'm going to enforce it."

Many Rattle With Us members enjoyed cake and punch after the swearing-in, and



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Darlene Stevenson of Plymouth Township greets Patrick Colbeck before the in-district swearing-in ceremony begins.



The ceremony begins with the Pledge of Allegiance.

'Cut spending, the taxes. Streamline regulations. We've got to help business out, small businesses, because that's where 65 percent of the jobs are.'

BILL KOSTIN, campaign volunteer

Colbeck, family members and supporters posed for photographs.

Tea Party member Midge Prybyla of Romulus, who did not work on Colbeck's campaign, said her advice to the new senator would be to "be true to himself" and not let Lansing change him. Creating jobs, she said, should be his top priority.

Bill Kostin of Plymouth Township, a campaign volunteer, said he'd recommend Colbeck "stick to Tea Party ideals: limited government." "Cut spending, the taxes. Streamline regulations," said Kostin. "We've got to help business out, small businesses, because that's where 65 percent of the jobs are."

Kostin said "this is just the beginning" and that the Tea Party movement will be a force in the 2012 election.

"We've got to save our republic," he said. "That's what this is all about."

The formal swearing-in for state senators is scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 12, in Lansing.

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Foundation rolls out Lunch & Learn initiative

BY DARRELL CLEM
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In hopes of helping nonprofit organizations develop a blueprint for financial stability, the Canton Community Foundation plans to roll out its inaugural Lunch & Learn initiative next week.

More than 140 nonprofit groups have been invited to attend the first of what will be quarterly gatherings — this one set for noon Thursday, Jan. 13, at the foundation office, 50430 School House Road, northwest of Cherry Hill and Ridge roads near the Village Theater at Cherry Hill.

The new program underscores the foundation's commitment to work with nonprofits to help them survive tough economic times and establish sound financial plans, foundation President Joan Noricks said.

"Our goal is that all local nonprofits are sustainable. By working to maintain a strong network of local nonprofit organizations, we can ensure that all charitable needs are being met," she said. "We want to assist local groups to reach their potential."

For more information or to register, call (734) 495-1200 or send an e-mail to info@canton-foundation.org.

Lunch & Learn comes just two months after the foundation sponsored its second annual Philanthropy Summit in Canton — an event intended to link nonprofits, charitable organi-



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Representatives from local nonprofits gathered at The Summit for a philanthropy meeting sponsored by the Canton Community Foundation, which is about to launch its Lunch & Learn initiative.

zations and financial donors while helping them learn how to become more financially savvy.

Every three months, Lunch & Learn programs will be devoted to a specific topic. The Jan. 13 event focuses on how to establish a planned giving program by using charitable gift annuities. A planned giving program offers donors information about gifts from estates for charitable purposes in the community.

Noricks has said the foundation's role in helping nonprofits and charitable organizations has become more critical as economic woes have forced more and more people in the community to seek out help, placing a greater strain on groups that give.

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CRIME WATCH

High-speed chase

1 Canton police are investigating an incident that led to a high-speed chase that started just moments before the clock struck midnight for 2011.

An officer saw a 1987 Mercury Marquis fail to stop for a flashing red light at Haggerty and Van Born on the township's southeast side, and the driver was traveling 60 mph in a 45 mph zone.

The officer pulled over the car, but as the officer got out of his patrol car the driver drove off and reached speeds of 80 mph as he drove into Van Buren Township. As a chase ensued along numerous streets, the suspect's car struck the driver-side rear corner of another car, hit a garbage can and almost struck another vehicle before ending up in a ditch along the I-94 service drive.

The driver had fled the scene by the time the officer caught up to the car, and inside the car police found a white leather jacket, a bottle of champagne, a case of beer, a bag of ice and a bag of marijuana.

Police traced the car to a woman who said she had loaned it to a man who had been considering buying the vehicle from her. Police continued to investigate the incident in hopes of locating the suspect.

Stolen purse

2 A woman contacted police after her purse was stolen from an apartment while the door was left open shortly before 9 a.m. Monday on Nectar, southeast of Joy Road and I-275.

The woman told police she and her husband were loading up their car to leave a relative's residence. She said they had made trips to and from the car, and she had left her purse on a table inside the residence.

Apparently, someone entered the apartment while the woman and others were outside and stole

the purse. The woman's credit card was fraudulently used at the Livonia Meijer for charges totaling \$116.54.

Fuel pilfered

3 Police went to a business in the 8300 area of Ronda Drive on Canton's north side after receiving reports of diesel fuel stolen from a truck and from a 300-gallon container near the rear of a building.

The incident happened sometime prior to 10 a.m. Monday. The incident remains under investigation.

Warrant arrests

4 Canton police arrested two people after making a traffic stop near Canton Center and Civic Center Boulevard, near the police station, shortly before 8 p.m.

Police stopped a minivan for having defective equipment and learned that a woman driving the car had a suspended driver's license and was wanted in Allen Park on a contempt warrant. Police took her into custody and also arrested a male passenger who was wanted by Wayne County authorities for improperly carrying a concealed weapon and for resisting a police officer in Hamtramck.

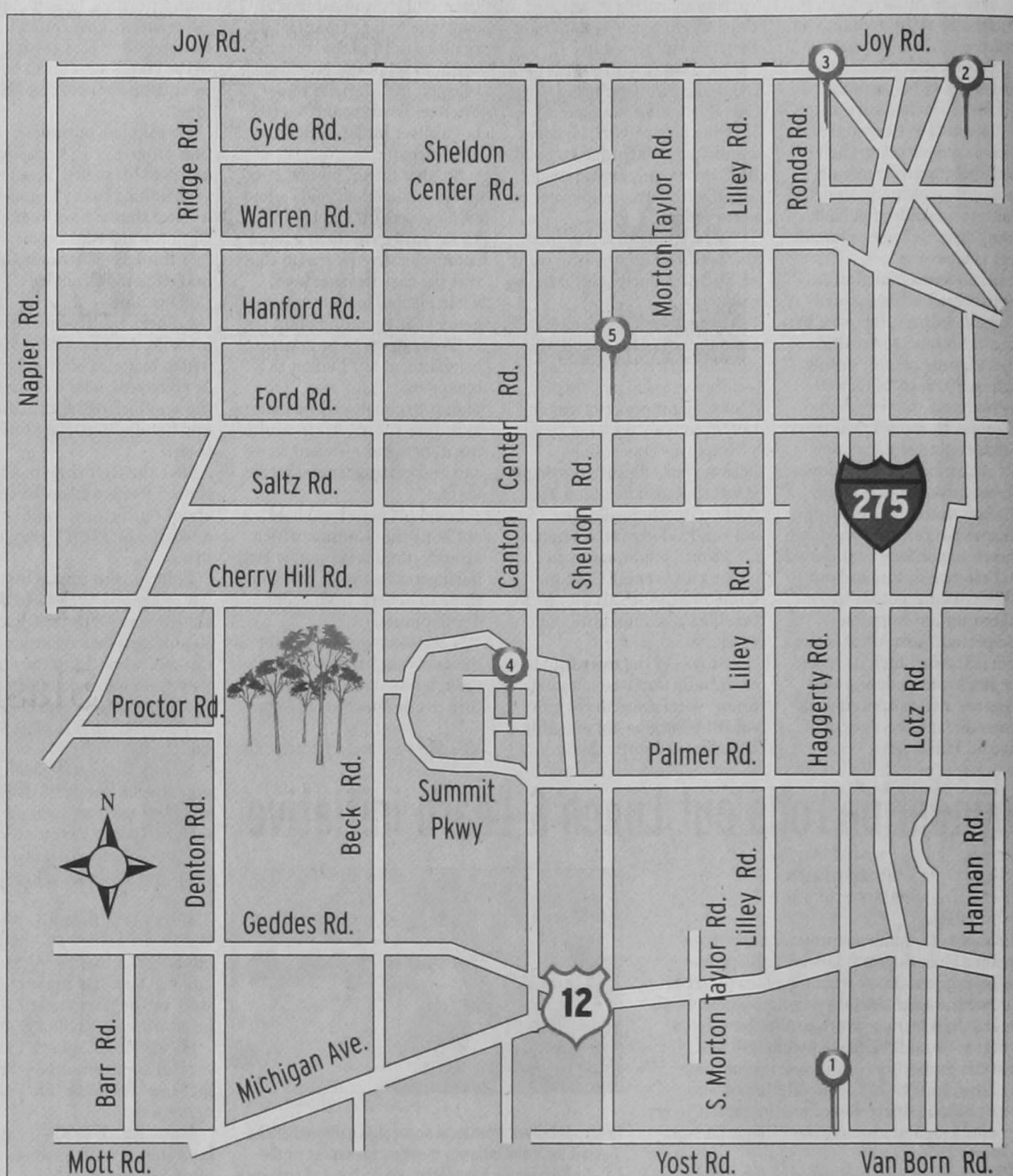
Diner dashed

5 One woman's bad luck should serve as a reminder for anyone dining out: Don't leave a purse unattended.

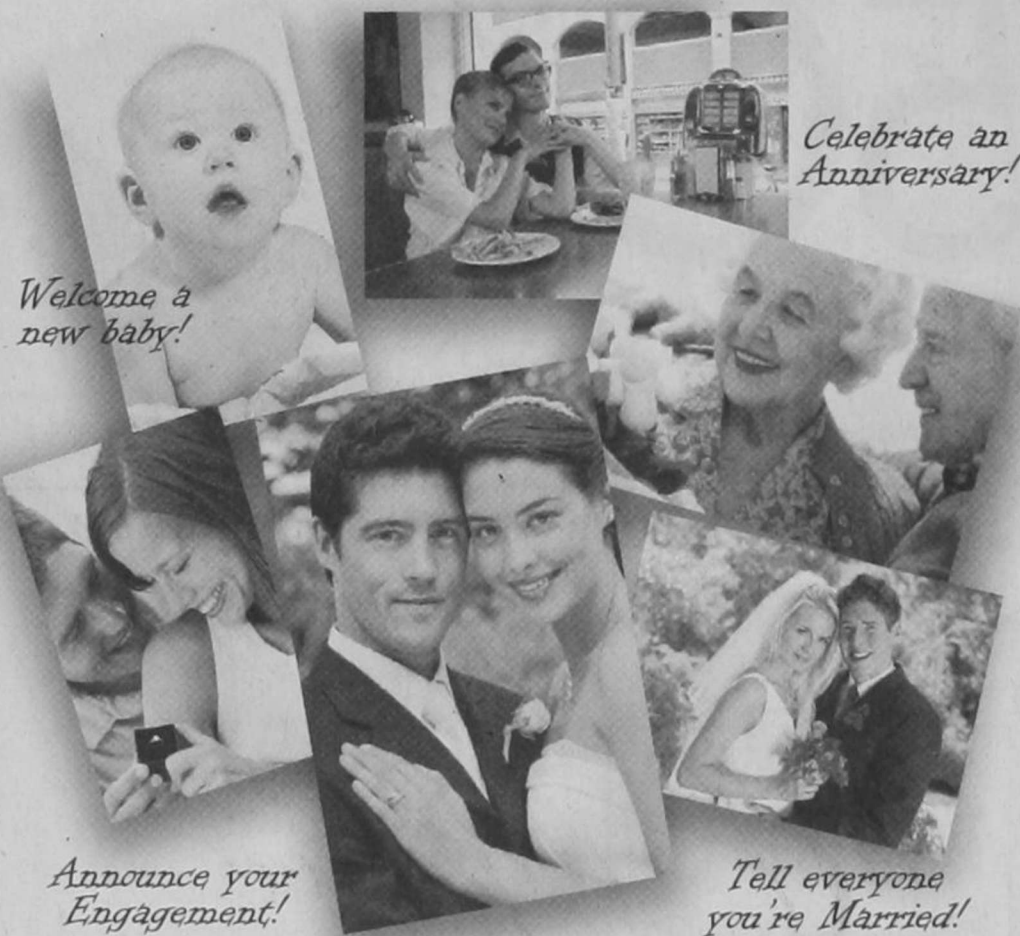
A woman told police her purse was stolen when she left it unattended at Ruby Buffet on Sheldon north of Ford on Sunday evening. The woman said she placed the purse on a seat of a booth and returned to find it missing.

The purse contained her driver's license, a food Bridge Card, \$30, car keys, eyeglasses, prescription bottles and other items.

— Compiled by Darrell Clem from Canton Police Department reports.



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Guilty plea sends abuser to prison

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A Canton man will spend 17 to 60 years in prison after he pleaded guilty in Wayne County Circuit Court to sexually abusing a 13-year-old girl.

Horst Gustav Drost, 51, was sentenced in December by Judge David Allen after pleading guilty to one count of first-degree criminal sexual conduct, Assistant Wayne County Prosecutor Maria Miller said.

Drost received credit for 117 days already served behind bars, Miller said, but the earliest he could potentially be released is Aug. 16, 2017.

His decision to plead guilty to one count of first-degree CSC averted a trial that authorities said would likely



Drost

have forced the 13-year-old girl to once again give emotionally painful testimony against the sex offender accused of abusing her.

Drost had been ordered to stand trial in September after the girl testified against him in Plymouth 35th District Court, and Canton Detective Sgt. Dave Schreiner said at the time that "she did a good job."

Drost pleaded guilty to one count after authorities agreed to drop two additional counts of first-degree CSC, two counts of second-degree CSC, one count of using a computer to commit a crime, and one count of child sexually abusive

activity.

Drost could have faced a sentence of life in prison, but the 17-60 years he received could possibly amount to life behind bars.

He was arrested in August, and law-enforcement officials combed through thousands of images on his computer, including many police labeled as child pornography.

"There are at least 1,000 images we've been able to confirm are likely child pornography," Detective Andrew Colthurst has said. "There are also images of the victim ... that are pornographic in nature."

Canton police had withheld some details of the case to protect the girl.

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Ice Festival: Expanded hours, more activities

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Had enough of the holidays? New year already testing your resolve?

You'll have a chance to chill out when the Plymouth Ice Festival returns to town.

The 29th annual ice festival, a three-day weekend of carving events, sculpture displays, food and drink and free entertainment, opens Friday, Jan. 21, at Kellogg Park and in parts of downtown Plymouth.

Sam Walton, whose Signature Professional Group is in its second year of producing the nonprofit event, said he's planning to give festival fans more activities this year — and more time to enjoy them — as an escape from the wintertime blues.

"People have been cooped up inside for a couple of months," Walton said during an interview last week. "People are looking for an excuse to get out."

Kellogg Park is the heart of the festival, and booths and activities typically line Main Street and Ann Arbor Trail, but last year's festival was expanded to include Forest Avenue, which offered sculptures, live music and a petting zoo for children, and this year's event will include Forest plus Penniman Avenue. The streets will have similar attractions, but each will also have its own theme, "just to give the people a little bit of a different feel as they make their way around," Walton said.

Walton said his goal is to gradually expand the festival over the next few years to include all of downtown's major streets, in order to draw visitors to parts of town some haven't seen.

That paid off on Forest last year, he said, when business pooled resources to help pay



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

The annual Plymouth Ice Festival draws huge crowds, particularly for competition carving.

for activities and sculptures, and some attendees reported to Walton that they hadn't been on that block before.

"They see a restaurant or a store that they'd maybe never see otherwise," Walton said.

While Walton is focusing on offering a wider variety of festival activities, the sculptures aren't being forgotten. This year will feature some 250 blocks of ice, up from about 200 last year.

This year's show also boasts expanded hours — until 11 p.m. both Friday and Saturday (Jan. 21-22). Previous festivals typically ended at 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday, but people tended to stick around to enjoy the sculptures and the atmosphere, Walton said.

Highlights of the festival will include a 7 p.m. Jan. 21 opening ceremony with the cutting of an "ice ribbon," carving demonstrations, an individual collegiate carving competition Saturday, Jan. 22, and collegiate team competition Sunday, Jan. 23, and the

"dueling chainsaws" speed-carving contest the night of Jan. 23. There will also be a "Hot Spot" warming tent and, Jan. 21-22, at the Party Lot behind E.G. Nick's, a separate event for adults offering drinks and live music.

Sponsorship opportunities for businesses and individuals will be available through Saturday, Jan. 15; information on sponsorships is available at the festival's Web site, plymouthicefestival.org.

Walton has a fund-raising goal of \$85,000 for this year's festival, and is confident that mark can be reached. "We really have a great sponsorship base this year," he said.

As far as the weather, don't ask.

Suffice it to say that with last year's festival plagued by melting sculptures and puddles of water, they're praying for cold. "We're keeping our fingers crossed for colder temps," Walton said.

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GUN

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process, the weapon may have been inadvertently pointed at the teens' car.

Delmas told police he carried the gun for personal protection. The report said he earlier had two alcohol beverages and decided to let Sadler drive. Delmas initially told police the gun was in the driver's side door and remained there after Sadler got behind the wheel.

However, the police report indicated Delmas later made another statement saying Sadler had only pointed his fingers at the teens' car and that

the gun was in the passenger door panel the entire time.

Meanwhile, Sadler was bound over Monday during a preliminary examination

in Plymouth 35th District Court. His bond was set at \$30,000/10 percent.

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IT'S YOUR BUSINESS Q&A

Pizzeria focuses on in-house cooking

Observer: Tell us about your business, including the types of services and/or products you feature?

ZZ's Pizza: Our delicious offerings are all made in-house from scratch from the highest quality ingredients available. You can dine in, carry out, or we will deliver. Pizza (deep-dish, round, and thin-crust with your traditional favorites as well as some superb specialty offerings like Bacon Cheeseburger, Mediterranean, Philly Steak & Cheese, and Coney Island Pizza). We offer a full menu including freshly made salads, breads, chicken wings (boneless as well as traditional), Mexican favorites like Quesadillas and Nachos, and sandwiches that are offered as Wraps, Calzones, and our signature Zonewich made on our famous house-made Cheese Bread. We have Halal Pizza Toppings and Chicken available upon request. We offer hand scooped Ice Cream and Novelty Bars. We can even deliver some Ice Cream along with our delicious Pizzas. Bring this article in and it'll act as a coupon to try our large one-topping pizza for just \$6.99.

Observer: How did you first decide to open your business?

ZZ's Pizza: I had been looking for a favorite Canton pizzeria for a long time without success. As the old saying goes I decided to just do it myself. My partners and I have assembled a great menu representing all of our favorite creations made from the best ingredients, by the best people around.

Observer: Why did you choose Canton?

ZZ's Pizza: For starters Canton is a wonderful, vibrant, and growing community. It is a city that echoes our own personalities. The location is perfect. We are located right next door to Zap Zone and Glo Golf. Along with building our own ever-growing loyal customer base we have also partnered with Canton's favorite Fun Center to offer their customers and birthday parties the finest pizza this side of Italy.

Observer: What makes your business unique?

ZZ's Pizza: Well for starters we have a Superhero in back that makes and delivers each one of our Pizzas. No, but seriously, though, we do share a lot of characteristics with our Superhero mascot. We are fast, friendly, reliable, holding ourselves to the highest standard, always seeking goodness and perfection in everything we do, not to mention everybody loves a hero.

Observer: How has it changed



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since you opened?

ZZ's Pizza: We have completely renovated and redecorated the place. We custom painted using warm inviting colors and have installed big screen TVs to watch your favorite movies and sports on. We made it into a spot where everyone can come, hang out, have fun, be comfortable, and enjoy some really great food.

Observer: Do you have a funny tidbit or story to share with our

readers about your experience so far as a small business owner?

ZZ's Pizza: The funniest thing I've heard in a long time was when I walked up to check on a family's dinner and asked how everything was. Mom had gotten up from the table before I came over. The little boy whispered to me that this was his new favorite dinner but please don't tell Mom! Warmed my heart. I'm sure Mom's meat loaf is a close second.

Observer: How has the recent economy affected your business?

ZZ's Pizza: Lucky for us great Pizza is a luxury that pretty much everyone can still afford.

Observer: Any advice for other business owners?

ZZ's Pizza: Always make the best product you can. Don't shortcut. Don't cut corners. Hold yourself to the highest standards. Always pay the utmost attention to your customers. It is because of them that we are lucky enough to be here.

Observer: What's in store for the future of your business?

ZZ's Pizza: We would love to grow to more locations and one day even become a household name. We are so crazy about our uniquely delicious recipes that we want to share them with everybody everywhere.

Tax planning important for new year

Happy New Year! The holiday are over and it's time to get back to the real world. A couple things that happened over the last few weeks may have avoided reader attention so I thought it'd be a good idea to touch upon some of them.

Last month, Congress passed and President Barack Obama signed an extension of the Bush era tax cuts. Although, the main conversation about the extension was whether the tax cuts should go to the wealthy or not, there are some other consequences of the legislation that are important.

The first deals with people who itemize deductions. If you itemize and get your return done early, you may not be able to do so this year. Because the tax bill was passed so late in the year, the Internal Revenue Service needs time to adjust to the changes. Therefore, if you itemize your deductions you will not be able to file your tax return until at least mid-February or later. According to the IRS this issue affects taxpayers who itemize deductions on Form 1040, Schedule A.

Over the next month or so you will receive a variety of tax documents including 1099s and W-2s. Save these documents. The one sure way to have the IRS scrutinize your



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Rick Bloom

return is failing to report income from a W-2 and 1099. The new tax law also contained a provision that allows people over age 70½ and who are required to take a minimum required distribution from a retirement account to donate up to \$100,000 of the IRA directly to charity. This was allowed in 2009 but until the Bush era tax cuts were extended, this was not allowed in 2010. Unfortunately, by the time the president signed the legislation the great majority of people could not take advantage of this provision. However, it is available in 2011. As opposed to taking the minimum required distribution at 70½ or older, you can have that money directly transferred into a charity. Particularly, for those who are generous in nature and who do not itemize deductions, this could be an excellent tax-planning strategy.

Another part of the new tax law deals with estates. Starting this year the first \$5 million of an estate is tax free. An estate over \$5 million will be taxed starting at 35 per-

cent. In 2009, the first \$3.5 million of an estate was estate tax-free. In 2010, there were no estate taxes so you could leave an unlimited amount of money to your beneficiaries without any estate tax. Prior to the change in law, in 2011 the estate tax exemption was set to be \$1 million. This would have taxed more and more Americans. Now at least for the next few years there is some certainty in the estate tax system.

As a side note, for the majority of people there is no reason to pay estate taxes. A good estate plan that contains a living trust is one of the best ways for a family to avoid estate taxes.

There are lots of other changes to the tax law that are too numerous to mention. I guess you can analogize our tax laws to the weather in Michigan — constantly changing.

Therefore, my advice when it comes to taxes is never do long-term planning, never assume that you know the tax law and never be afraid to consult with a professional where needed. Good luck!

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Networking begins at 11:30 a.m. followed by lunch at noon. The cost for lunch is \$20 (advance member registration), \$30 non-members and includes a full buffet, beverages and dessert. This luncheon is open to the public.

Following lunch, 35th District Court Judge Michael Gerou will swear in the chamber's 2011 Board of Directors, chair Marty Heator, past chair Mary Bartlett, Chair Elect Kim Scartelli, treasurer Brandon Dent, Joe Barone, Tammy Brown, Zlatina Dimova, Shane Fritz, Ruth Fuchs, Heather Laginess-Moll, Wayne Pedlar,

Denise Steffeld, Linda Stansell and Judy Wetmore.

Chamber members will have the opportunity to meet the new Board of Directors and Committee chairs and find out how their businesses can become more involved in the Canton Chamber. Businesses will have the opportunity to sign up for committees, sponsorships, advertising, and much more.

January's luncheon is hosted by the Canton Chamber of Commerce and is proudly sponsored by PNC Bank and Molly Maid. Seating is limited and reservations are needed. To make your reservation, contact the Canton Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453-4040.

Film deadline

PSA deadlines for the Meijer Great Choices Film Festival is fast approaching for many

Michigan high school students. The first early-bird deadline is Jan. 14, with a \$5 registration fee. The final deadline is Feb. 11; however, the registration fee is increased to \$10. Students and their teachers can download registration materials and guidelines at www.meijergreatchoices.com.

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Committed to change

First Step's Ellis aims to make every family safe

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Judy Ellis remembers the day she volunteered to go to court with a woman who had been viciously attacked by her husband after she filed for divorce. The experience is why she has remained with First Step 30 years after answering an ad looking for volunteers.

"I know it's why I'm still here," said Ellis. "It was so horrific. We didn't get a chance to speak in court, there was no victim's rights."

The executive director of First Step for more than 25 years, Ellis has lead the Western and Downriver Wayne County Project on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault from its infancy to a \$2.6 million nonprofit serving victims and their families in 36 communities.

In 2008-09, First Step touched the lives of 16,480 people. It provided 8,736 nights of safe shelter and through its community response advocates supported 2,586 survivors.

It's a far cry from the seven staffers and three active volunteers Ellis encountered in 1980, but her experiences then have kept her committed to one day having a community — a county — free of domestic violence and sexual assault.

"We hope that by educating people that they will understand that it's every third house," said Ellis.

"What we're about is responsibility, accountability and safety."

HER MISSION

And that was what Ellis knew she needed to provide that victim the day she walked out of the courtroom with her.

The woman's husband had cut off her ear and slashed her hands and face. He had been charged with felonious assault



Judy Ellis started out as a volunteer, but 30 years later she is a champion for the victims of sexual assault and domestic violence as the executive director of First Step.

less than murder, and the prosecutor had assured the woman that he would get jail time. Instead, Ellis and the woman sat and listened in disbelief as the judge announced one year probation.

Active in his church, members of the congregation "showed up in their Sunday best" to support for him because she had filed for divorce. They even wrote letters on his behalf.

"He got away with it all," Ellis recalled. "As we walked out of the courtroom, all I

could think was that I had to get her out of the state. She choked out, 'Judy, I don't think I'm worth anything.' At that time I made the commitment that things had to change."

And a lot has.

At that time it fell on the victim to pursue charges and most times assaults were deemed misdemeanors. Today, assault is no longer seen as the fault of the victim. Police officers receive training in handling domestic violence and sexual assault. The legal

system pursues the charges.

There are laws on the books, however, there isn't the jail space or the resources to prosecute, Ellis said.

PARTNERS HELP

First Step, through partnerships like the one it has with the Oakwood Healthcare System, is there to provide free shelter, counseling, advocacy, assault response, 24-hour help line, legal information, children's counseling and programs, community response, food, clothing, tran-

sitional housing and other support to survivors of violence and their families.

It works with victims to understand what may happen.

"We don't tell them what to do, we help the individual see the lethality of it," said Ellis. "When we started, we saw women who were assaulted. It wasn't the same level of lethality you see today. You didn't see the children involved."

Admittedly, it's a constant challenge to raise money, especially in the current econ-

omy. And it comes at a time when more people are needing help. But First Step is able to offer more now, including 22 units to house victims and their families for up to two years. Sheltering is short term, transitional housing buys time so victims can get training and set goals, according to Ellis.

"We have to help all people be empowered so they can take action and tell people what has happened," she added. "We need to let them know there are ways to keep them safe. The right adults will do whatever they can to keep them safe."

NEW FACILITY

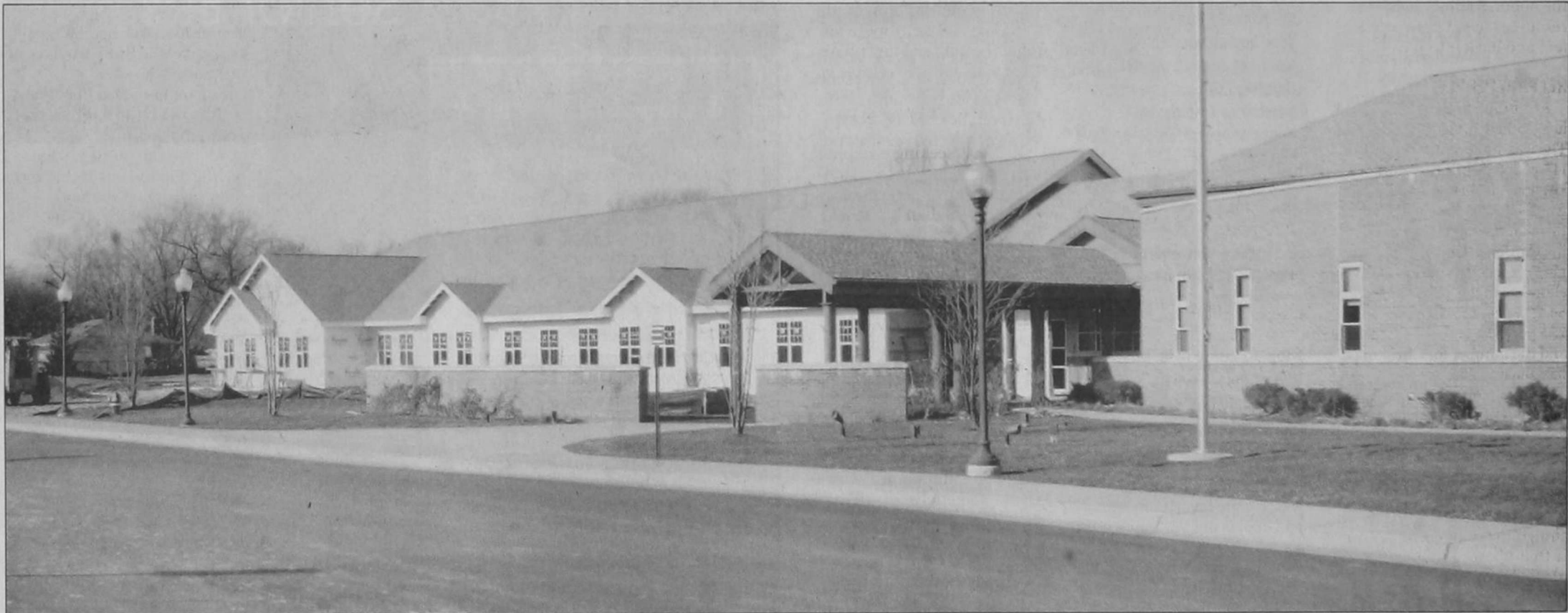
While some might consider the construction of a 14,000-square foot residential facility attached to the Family Center in Wayne as her crowning achievement, Ellis says it is volunteers who have helped the agency over the years. They are a "most powerful tool," people who have gotten involved and made it work.

"They get it, they understand and they're involved," she said. "It's a movement. Unfortunately, it should be further along. We're not there yet. We need zero tolerance, people need to be held accountable."

While she will be happy to see families move into the new facility, she admits the work is not done, not until every family is safe. In fact, it would be a "beautiful day when the phones aren't ringing not because they don't know us, but that the perpetrators know they will be held accountable."

"The most encouraging thing is that I'm working with the very best of people and their goal is to see change," Ellis said. "I'm honored to be a part of this agency."

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The construction of the Karen Colina Wilson Family Center is expected to be completed by the first week in March. The 14,000-square foot facility will provide a place for victims and their families to stay in a home-like setting.

First Step looks for help to finish new facility in Wayne

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

It goes without saying that First Step has come a long way since its humble beginnings in a small white house next to Nankin Mills in Hines Park more than 30 years ago.

Formed in 1978 as an agency to assist survivors of domestic violence in western Wayne County, it now serves the victims of domestic violence and sexual assault in 36 communities, a 500-square-mile area stretching from Eight Mile Road on the north to Downriver in the south and from Redford on the east to Canton on the south.

According to First Step Executive Director Judy Ellis, the

role of First Step also has changed over the years. In the beginning, it reacted to cases of domestic violence and later sexual assault. Today, it is proactive by contacting victims, letting them know what First Step is about and the services it has available.

"A big part of what we do is helping families," she said. "Victims need immediate support, but so does the family members. They need support, they need to know what to expect."

First Step has offices in Plymouth and Redford and a Family Center in Wayne as well as community sites with advocates to work with victims in Westland, Redford, Wayne Taylor, Inkster, Dearborn, Dearborn Heights,

Lincoln Park, 33rd District Court in Woodhaven and 34th District Court in Romulus.

For Ellis, it has been "a dream for a very long time to have a building where people can live in dignity" and that is becoming a reality with the construction of the Karen Colina Wilson Family Center.

The new facility is a far cry from previous First Step emergency housing. Initially, the agency used a former group home at Five Mile and Sheldon and then bought a former nursing home on Ridge west of Beck in Canton Township. The latter facility, which First Step used for more than 20 years, was closed in 2008. Families are now in temporary housing until the new facility is completed "the first weekend

in March."

The new residential facility will be attached to the west side of the Family Center at 4400 Venoy at Annapolis in Wayne. It will have 12 apartment-like suites with private baths, small kitchens and living areas.

The walls are up, the roof is on and windows have been installed in the 14,000-square-foot addition which Ellis calls "amazing." But First Step is still looking for in-kind and financial donations to complete the \$5.5 million project. The push is on for funds to add the technology and security needed for the facility as well as a children's play area among other things.

"There will be no other facility like it in the state, but we need a

lot of financial support," she said.

The agency is looking for help in identifying potential donors, such as individuals, service groups, businesses, foundations and religious organizations, as well as gifts to its capital campaign.

Donations also can be dropped off at its offices at 44567 Pinetree Drive at Sheldon north of Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth and at its Wayne Family Center on Venoy south of Michigan Avenue.

For information about First Step's new building, to donate or schedule a tour, call (734) 416-1111.

A more complete "wish list" also can be found on First Step's website at www.firststep-mi.org.

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Pastors Ruby Beneteau and Michael Enerson share the same vision of helping the less fortunate and the homeless through the Lighthouse Home Mission housed at Enerson's Full Gospel Temple in Westland.

Center serves as beacon for needy, homeless of western Wayne County

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Ruby Beneteau remembers what it was like growing up in Detroit. Her father was an alcoholic and the family home lacked amenities. There was no hot water, so she took sponge baths. A pot belly stove provided heat, but not enough to keep icicles from forming inside.

And even shoes were limited. "When you come from a life where you get one pair of shoes a year you can relate to people who are struggling," said Beneteau. "I see families come in with kids who literally share their coats and shoes and have no socks. I see it and it reminds me of my life."

The founder of Lighthouse Home Missions, Beneteau has been serving the needs of the homeless for 27 years, first at her small ranch-style home in Westland as the House of Refuge and now in facilities provided by the Full Gospel Temple on Palmer in Westland.

LHM operates a food pantry and clothing bank, a soup kitchen that provides hot lunches 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday and a warming shelter for the homeless open 7 p.m. to 8 a.m. in January, February and March. The mission also works with the people who come through the doors, finding them the resources to get back on their feet and back into society.

HELPING PEOPLE

According to Beneteau, LHM has clothed 3,384 so far this year. The warming center housed 145 people, while the soup kitchen has served 8,466 meals. Another 8,795 have been helped through the food pantry. And the Churches United Against Hunger, a collaboration of 27 churches in the area, has helped 84,293 people. At Thanksgiving, 225 people received food baskets and the number for Christmas baskets was 235.

"We're seeing people come to us who used to give us help," said Beneteau. "Many of the people coming here are working families. They're able to pay their bills but have little money for food. The main thing I'm trying to get across is that it's not about drugs and alcohol. We're seeing more families that are homeless."

Full Gospel Temple pastor Michael Enerson and his congregation reached out to Beneteau, first by helping clean and build racks for the donated clothing that filled her garage and putting up shelves in the basement for food. They also donated a freezer.

When the church built a new sanctuary, Enerson offered the old building to Beneteau. At the

LIGHTHOUSE HOME MISSION

Where: At the Full Gospel Temple, 34033 Palmer, east of Wayne Road, Westland
Details: LHM has a food pantry and clothing bank. It operates a soup kitchen open 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday-Friday and a warming center for the homeless 7 p.m. to 8 a.m. seven days a week. Staff is also available to help with referrals 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.
Donations: The mission is in need of donations of socks, especially white tube socks that fit both men and women and all sizes of feet; any warm clothing in sizes medium to extra-large, including thermal underwear; men's clothing, especially blue jeans; sweat shirts and pants for men and women, which can be used for sleepwear at night and worn under clothing during the day; warm hats, gloves and boots and pillows with plastic sanitary covers.
Contact: For more information, call Lighthouse Home Mission at (734) 326-3885.

time she relocated to the former church, she was housing 78 people in her home. People saw what she was doing and started bringing her food and clothing. Her three sons would sell candy for Michigan Elite Teens and use the money to buy food. Dinner sometimes was 300 kid-sized hamburgers.

"A lot of those who came to the house were young people who had been abused, a lot of people who were hurting came to us," she said. "We had older couples with us. They'd call us mom and dad like the young people. We house all ages, all races."

BIBLE IS GUIDE

As a pastor, he looks to the Bible to guide him, but knows there's a difference between religion and relations.

"Jesus said comfort the poor, but there's a difference," he said. "Religion talks about God, relations is acting like him."

Both Beneteau and Enerson realize the current setup is temporary. Most of the homeless are singles and youth 19-21 years old who are trying to make it on their own, but it's hard because the startup costs are so great.

Both pastors realize that the current building is inadequate in meeting the needs of the poor and homeless. A more permanent building is needed to help them get back on their feet. They would like to see the CUAH churches duplicate what's being done at Full Gospel Temple.

Making a house a home

Local Habitat office provides families with a hand up

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Despite repeated blows to the local economy, and corporate donations that all but dried up during the recession, a local nonprofit is stepping up efforts to put needy families into stable environments.

Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne County, which marked its 15th anniversary in 2010, built four new houses this year and rehabilitated two more. Along with three home-closings that took place early in the year, the nine completed projects are roughly double the amount of work the affiliate did in all of 2008 and 2009, said Alice Dent, the executive director.

With an office in Plymouth, Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne County is one of two Habitat affiliates in the area (the other is in Detroit) and one of 78 in the state. The office serves Plymouth and Plymouth Township, Canton Township, Livonia, Westland, Redford Township, Wayne and several other communities.

Dent has seen families flourish with Habitat's help. "The house gives them a sense of security and pride and boosts their self-esteem," Dent said in a recent interview.

IMPROVING LIVES

New Habitat homeowners, she said, are motivated to improve their lives, such as by furthering their education, their children improve their grades and get into trouble less often, and even little things they couldn't do in rented housing, like putting up a Christmas wreath or running in the back yard, make a difference, she said.

"The things that we take for granted, it's life-changing for them," she said. "It doesn't stop with the house."

When she took charge in 2003, Dent said, the Plymouth Habitat affiliate wasn't building any houses and was in a regrouping mode. "We're excited," about the progress since then, she said.

With the nationwide housing crisis leading to a glut of vacant homes in the area, the affiliate is focusing more on rehabilitating existing houses, Dent said, but still retains its well-known home-building projects as a big part of its mission.

Families seeking a Habitat home must earn between 25 percent and 50 percent of the area's median household income (about \$42,400 in 2008, according to the U.S. Census Bureau).

A new or rehabbed Habitat home is not a giveaway — buyers pay market price, taxes and insurance, Dent said. But the loans, which are made through Habitat, are interest-free. "That's how they're able to get a break," Dent said.

Money paid on the principals of Habitat homes, which Dent estimated at about \$50,000 a year for her affiliate, is put back into the program, going toward future projects for other families. "You're actually going to help someone else" by making the mortgage payments, she said.

DONATIONS

The affiliate also relies on corporate and individual donations, money from local churches and federal grant funding — and more than 400 volunteers, Dent said. She estimated the office's budget for the current year



Alice Dent, executive director of Habitat for Humanity Western Wayne (with Redford Township Supervisor Tracey Schultz Kobylarz and new homeowner Angela Jackson at a Redford build last fall) said Habitat homeowners are motivated to improve their lives.



Diane Becton, Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne volunteer supervisor, nailed a wall into place as construction began on a new home in Westland.



Angela Jackson and Andrea Yatooma, from the Yatooma Foundation for Kids, were overcome with emotion at the ceremonial wall raising for a new house in Redford. The tears, officials say, are a frequent reaction as new homeowners seek to better their lives.

at just over \$400,000; about \$80,000 for each new build, \$25,000 for each rehab and \$3,000 to \$4,000 a month to run the office and maintain properties slated for future projects.

Barb Fichtenberg of Canton is a Habitat volunteer of about 14 years. She is the chairwoman of Habitat's church relations committee and is involved with the Apostles Build project, in which area churches regularly join forces to provide funding and volunteers for a home-building project.

Fichtenberg attends Geneva Presbyterian in Canton, which

Dent described as a major Habitat supporter.

"I value the opportunity to put my faith into action," Fichtenberg said.

She said the Habitat philosophy is based on the "economics of Jesus," that is, working together for the common good.

"I appreciate that aspect of it, being able to work together with some people from other

denominations, and being able to display the unity we have in our faith," she said.

Fichtenberg also likes connecting with the families that Habitat helps.

"We see the impact, what having a home in a stable community can do," she said.

"We have some folks in our church who really are pretty faithful in putting in lots of hours" for Habitat, said Geneva's pastor, the Rev. Bryan D. Smith. The pastor for 18 years, Smith said Geneva's involvement in Habitat predates his tenure.

His congregation, Smith said, understands that their faith is about helping care for people who are on society's margins.

"At the end of the day," said Dent, "it really feels good when you see people's lives change."

Contributions can be made to Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne County, 638 Starkweather, Plymouth, MI 48170.

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OUR VIEWS

Stand strong in 2011

Leaders, citizens work together on budget challenges

Another year of shrinking revenues for the Plymouths, Canton and Plymouth-Canton Community Schools is behind us, but forecasts show we're not in the clear for 2011.

As depressing as it sounds, it's a reality that property values will continue to decline, bringing precious revenue flows to a trickle for our communities and our schools. State economic forecasters say we won't see an uptick until at least 2012.

Given this reality, we can only think of one New Year's resolution for the City of Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Canton Township and Plymouth-Canton Community Schools: Keep on keeping on, with what you've got, in the smartest possible way.

Residents, students and parents of PCCS students may notice some more painful reductions in services — although those were kept to a minimum in 2010 — and other cost-saving and cost-cutting measures that could affect the hundreds of classrooms in Plymouth-Canton schools. The PCCS Board of Education has done a remarkable job — thus far — of keeping such cuts out of the classroom. If the economic picture doesn't improve, that may not be true for long.

We've seen evidence in our communities and in the school district of financial frugality and foresight in the past few years and we're confident this will continue in the new year.

It's important for leaders in each community and in the school district to keep communication with the public in the forefront during the tough decisions. They need to make sure they absolutely know the priorities of citizens, when it comes to services, before more cuts are made to their respective budgets.

We also urge officials to maintain the critical services of public safety. As evidenced in last week's explosion at a Wayne furniture store, you never know what's going to pose a very large public threat from day to day. This should be taken into account particularly in Plymouth and Plymouth Township, where the state of the community fire department is in flux.

We've seen many incidents in 2010 in which quick police response times have literally made the difference between life and death, or the difference between a criminal getting away or being brought to justice. This must continue to be a budget priority in 2011.

In the school district, the 2010-11 school year so far has been one of change. We encourage the school board to continue to listen and communicate with parents and the public when making those major decisions.

And, we encourage the residents of our communities and our school district to continue being active in your community and we challenge residents to pay attention to your local government, participate in the debates by attending council meetings or by expressing your opinions through this newspaper, either in print by e-mailing editor Brad Kadrich at bkadrich@hometownlife.com or via our Story Chat element online at hometownlife.com.

Budgets can shrink, but the spirit of the community can remain strong. It just takes good leadership and an involved public in 2011.

ONLINE VOICES & VIEWS



The following are excerpts from readers participating in our online forum for discussing issues. In Your Voices. Find more comments or join the discussion on the Web at hometownlife.com.

• In response to "Local leaders hope smoke clears on medical marijuana law,"

On November 4, 2008 4,797,709 Michigan voters cast votes on Proposal 1, the Michigan Medical Marijuana Act. 3,006,820 (63 percent) of the voters supported and passed Proposal 1. Now that the people have spoken the vast majority of vocal Michigan politician's cry foul, complaining that the ballot language and subsequent law were/are poorly written or confusing.

Judge Peter O'Connell said the law is so confusing that users "who proceed without caution (could) lose both their property and their liberty."

It's about time for elected officials to boldly challenge their illiterate and ignorant constituents. 4,797,709 Michigan voters ignorantly voted for/or against a law they can't even comprehend. Perhaps voter based initiatives should be legislated out of existence in an effort to keep the voting public safe from themselves, instead leaving it to our elected representatives to do what is right and safe for all Michigan citizens.

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COMMUNITY VOICE

What are your New Year's resolutions, if any?

We asked this question at the Canton Public Library.



"To lose weight and eat healthier."

Bill Thomas
Canton



"Find a job again - it's been September '09 since I've worked - and finish my master's degree in occupational health and safety."

William Dawson
Canton



"Try to find a job here in Michigan, and hopefully start college in the next year."

Ashley Valimont
Canton



"I'm going to Minnesota State to play college football."

Curtis Sanford Jr.
Canton

LETTERS

Beautiful message

A recent edition of The Detroit News mentioned that Lyndon Village in Canton had made the coordinated effort to both decorate their neighborhood for Christmas, as well as honor our soldiers both home and abroad.

My family and I took a drive through Lyndon Village at Beck and Warren and they did a wonderful job. They always do quite a bit of decorating, but this year, all decked out in red, white and blue, it was a beautiful message.

Thank you to the neighbors in Lyndon Village for your lovely message at this special time of the year.

Melissa McLaughlin
Canton

Thanks for the assistance

On behalf of The Salvation Army, I wish to convey my thanks to the many local companies, churches and organizations that came alongside The Salvation Army as we served together at the site of the store explosion in Wayne last week. Throughout the day, our emergency services canteens received donations of food and drink to be shared with the first responders and families displaced by the explosion.

The Adult Rehabilitation Center of The Salvation Army responded quickly and provided hot soup to the many, many first responders from cities throughout the metropolitan area as well as family members of the victims and those evacuated from their homes.

The response to this tragedy speaks volumes to the sense of community that exists throughout the city of Wayne. We join with so many in extending our sympathies to the families of James Zell and Leslie Machniak and prayers to Paul Franks as he continues to recover.

The Salvation Army Emergency Disasters Services is at the ready to assist with disasters, large and small. We consider it a privilege to come along first responders and other organizations in time of need to provide food, hydration and emotional and spiritual support.

George Aren, Director
Emergency Disaster Services
The Salvation Army

Warm welcome

Special thanks to our friends and neighbors in Canton and Plymouth for the warm welcome to their community. Our new store is a triumph in community spirit. Through the generous donations received we've been able to offer an upscale shopping experience in an affordable and socially conscious way.

By donating your gently used clothing and other items, you're taking part in a special kind of recycling. While you reduce the clutter around your home, someone else gets to re-use those items. By doing so through The Salvation Army we're able to offer recovery and redemption to the gentlemen who seek addiction treatment through our rehabilitation center. That bag of clothing you brought to our donation door improves over 100

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We welcome your Letter to the Editor. Please include your name, address and phone number for verification. We ask your letters be 400 words or less. We may edit for clarity, space and content. Submit letters via the following formats.

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lives. Thank you on behalf of every single one of those folks. Thank you for being a partner in Doing The Most Good.

At this time, The Salvation Army is facing an increased need for clothing. Your gently used clothing and other items can become a tax-deduction for you and a blessing for us. We'll be able to share that blessing amongst many fine people both locally and around the world. Two-thirds of the proceeds from our stores remain in the local community, with the remaining third extending a helping hand where and when it is needed around the world.

Those ill-fitting pants can bring someone's father back from the grips of addiction, and give a rewarding career to a member of your community. By bringing a donation to our new store at 43403 Joy Road at Morton Taylor, you'll receive a warm feeling that comes from knowing you're doing your part to help others, while also receiving a donor's receipt to deduct from your taxes.

To arrange a pick-up for large items, such as upholstered furniture, appliances or even automobiles call us at (800) SA-TRUCK. Thank you for your ongoing support and kindness.

Onward!

Maj. John S. Aren
Salvation Army

Thank you

Two days before Christmas, a check I had written was dropped in IKEA-Canton near the register at their restaurant. I'd like to thank the IKEA customer who found my check and turned it into IKEA's security department.

Thanks, also, to Jim in security who took the time to find my phone number, call me, and return my check. It's once again in my hands.

This incident reaffirms my belief that people are inherently good and caring. How wonderful it also happened to be true during the Christmas holidays!

Marilyn Alimpich
Plymouth

Need fire pros

I still remember a horrible scene from New York on 9/11/2001. What I can still see is frightened people running AWAY from the two towers and NY firefighters running INTO

the burning buildings.

Firefighters are no different here. They risk their lives for me and for you. We need professional firefighters in the City of Plymouth. Men and women who fulfill their calling. People who are willing to lay down their lives because it's what they believe in.

Think about having your taxes done by a volunteer CPA. It's far too important and risky to leave to chance. Why would you want your firefighting and EMS done by any one but a professional?

Arthur Scott
Plymouth

'Lie of the Year'

Congratulations are in order for Rep. Thaddeus McCotter for his ardent promotion of a talking point that has been awarded the "Lie of the Year" for 2010.

According to the Pulitzer Prize-winning, nonpartisan fact-checking site, Politifact.com, McCotter and other Republicans were responsible for erroneously dubbing the Affordable Health Care Act "government run health care" insisting that it would ring in a "government takeover of health care."

The goal was to mislead citizens so that much-needed health care reform would be watered down or defeated. Politifact earlier in 2010 had awarded the winning falsehood a "Pants on Fire" distinction. This a lie of the highest order for those unfamiliar with how the site ranks lies.

This marks the second year running that McCotter has been an outspoken proponent of what has been identified as the "Lie of the Year" by Politifact.com with his perpetuation of the "Death Panels" fabrication that became a large part of the Republican Party's anti-reform propaganda in 2009.

Again, kudos to Rep. McCotter. Keep up the good (?) work!

Mitch Smith
Canton

Not with my taxes

It disturbs me deeply to know that hundreds of millions of my hard-earned tax dollars are being used to fund abortion and abortion providers, such as Planned Parenthood, the largest provider in America.

The "No Taxpayer for Abortion Act," a bipartisan bill sponsored by Reps. Chris Smith, R-N.J., and Dan Lipinski, D-Ill., would create a government-wide statutory prohibition on abortion funding, including problematic provisions in the health care bill.

The "Title X Abortion Provider Prohibition Act" ensures that organizations, including Planned Parenthood, do not receive federal dollars under the Title X federal family planning assistance program. According to the Government Accountability Office, abortion providers have received over a billion dollars in the past seven years alone.

I have signed a petition at www.stopabortionfunding.com to let my representatives in Congress know that I expect them to co-sponsor and vote for these two bills. I shouldn't have to agree to the destruction of innocent life when I pay my taxes.

Theresa McCall
Livonia

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Scoop's Hound Dog Highlights!

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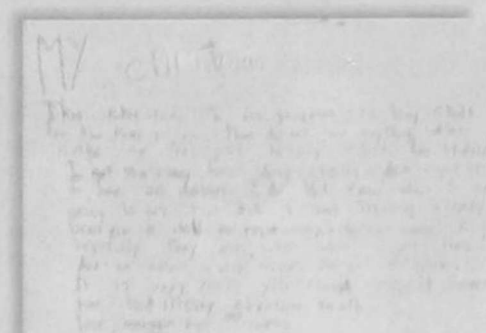
Scoop celebrated the holidays by visiting Santa at the Wayne County Lightfest at Hines Park, in Westland.



Angel Calhoun, 7 from Canton enjoys picking up her live Christmas tree.



Abigail Said, 9, along with Sara, 1, Adam, 4, Cecilia, 14, Noah, 12 from Westland love to decorate their house for the holidays.



Maggie Mae Thompson, 9 from Northville saved up her own money from doing chores, to celebrate the holidays by giving gifts to the poor.

Lucky winners from last month's contest

Send in your letter and photo, you may win a spot on Scoops Hound Dog Highlight page!

Scoop, the newshound, will be offering contests on a monthly basis. Look for Scoop's Hound Dog Highlights page monthly in this newspaper!



Singer/songwriter Michael McDermott, who performs Saturday at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton, hopes to raise enough money to feed 100,000 hungry children this year.

Concert proceeds to feed hungry children

Singer/songwriter Michael McDermott (www.michael-mcdermott.com) has made a New Years resolution. For every performance, in 2011, McDermott will be donating to Feeding America (www.feedingamerica.org) providing meals for hungry children across the United States.

One of those concerts takes place in Canton Saturday, when McDermott kicks off his 2011 tour at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill with an 8 p.m. performance.

The goal for McDermott, a newlywed and new father, is to generate 100,000 meals in 2011 through his shows, music and merchandise.

Toward this end he has launched a gourmet coffee line, which may seem odd for a folk/rock singer to do. When asked, McDermott laughingly said, "It certainly wasn't the first thing I thought I'd have my name attached to. I thought it'd be an Irish whiskey, but as a new father, coffee is the drink of choice."

When asked if he expects to reach his goal, a slight smile

creeped across McDermott's face. "I plan to exceed it," he said.

McDermott brings his music and stories to Canton for one night only on Saturday, January 8, 2011 at 8 p.m. Tickets to this acoustic smorgasbord are \$17 each. Groups of 15 or more are \$15 each.

McDermott has an immense catalog of cinematic and beautiful songs, often marred with questionable outcomes in life and love, with his romantic optimism worn on his sleeve ... the stand-off can only go two ways. Lyrically, McDermott takes listeners all over the map, from the farthest point from Heaven to a sentimental walk through Chicago at night, where his troubles began. Growing up in Chicago gave him the blue collar grind that leaves you no choice but to accept your place and get to work on whatever it is you can do.

"These are difficult times and at the heart of it, as much as people are concerned with their own well being, a sense of fellowship is creeping back into our society," McDermott

said. "Knowing your neighbor is hurting just like you makes it easier to believe that. We're all in this together."

McDermott's previous releases include his 1991 debut "620 W. Surf," which featured the hit "A Wall I Must Climb," 1999's independently released "Bourbon Blue" and 2004's diverse "Ashes," which included "Everything I Got." This Chicago-based artist has also headlined on nationally syndicated radio programs World Café, Acoustic Café, Woodsongs and Studio C. He's also shared the stage with artists ranging from Van Morrison, Aimee Mann, Seal, The Wallflowers, among many others.

"I have been very blessed to follow my passion and I am motivated and truly driven to provide for those less fortunate," McDermott said.

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Surge sparks PCA triumph

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

After Plymouth Christian Academy head coach Keith Anleitner watched Lutheran Westland players sink four triples in the first quarter Tuesday night, it was time to change things on defense.

Anleitner had the Eagles play man-to-man defense to start the second quarter, instead of zone coverage.

With a string of steals that led to transition baskets, PCA went off on a 22-3 scoring spree to go up 38-20 at halftime. That catapulted the visiting Eagles to a 73-56 Michigan Independent Athletic Conference boys basketball victory.

"I thought our kids played well right out of the gate, we had a 8-0 run," said Anleitner, after his first win as PCA coach. "Then they came back and hit a bunch of triples."

"We kind of switched it off, we had a zone to begin with and we just ended up with man-to-man because we needed to put ball pressure on their shooters."

Warriors' head coach Doug Haller, whose team dropped to 1-3 overall and 0-1 in the MIAC, said everything fell apart in that telltale second frame — which opened with his team ahead 17-16 thanks to a trey by junior Matt Sylvester as the horn sounded.

"There were turnovers, bad shots,

'Of course, with Eric Jipping inside, they had no answer for him.'

KEITH ANLEITNER, PCA coach

we didn't get back on 'D' and they got some easy buckets," Haller lamented. "It took us out of the game."

TOUGH TO DEFEND

Another problem for the Warriors was Plymouth Christian 6-5 center Eric Jipping, who muscled his way to 26 points and 11 rebounds.

"Of course, with Eric Jipping inside, they had no answer for him," Anleitner said. "Their tallest guy on the court was 6-2 and he's 6-5."

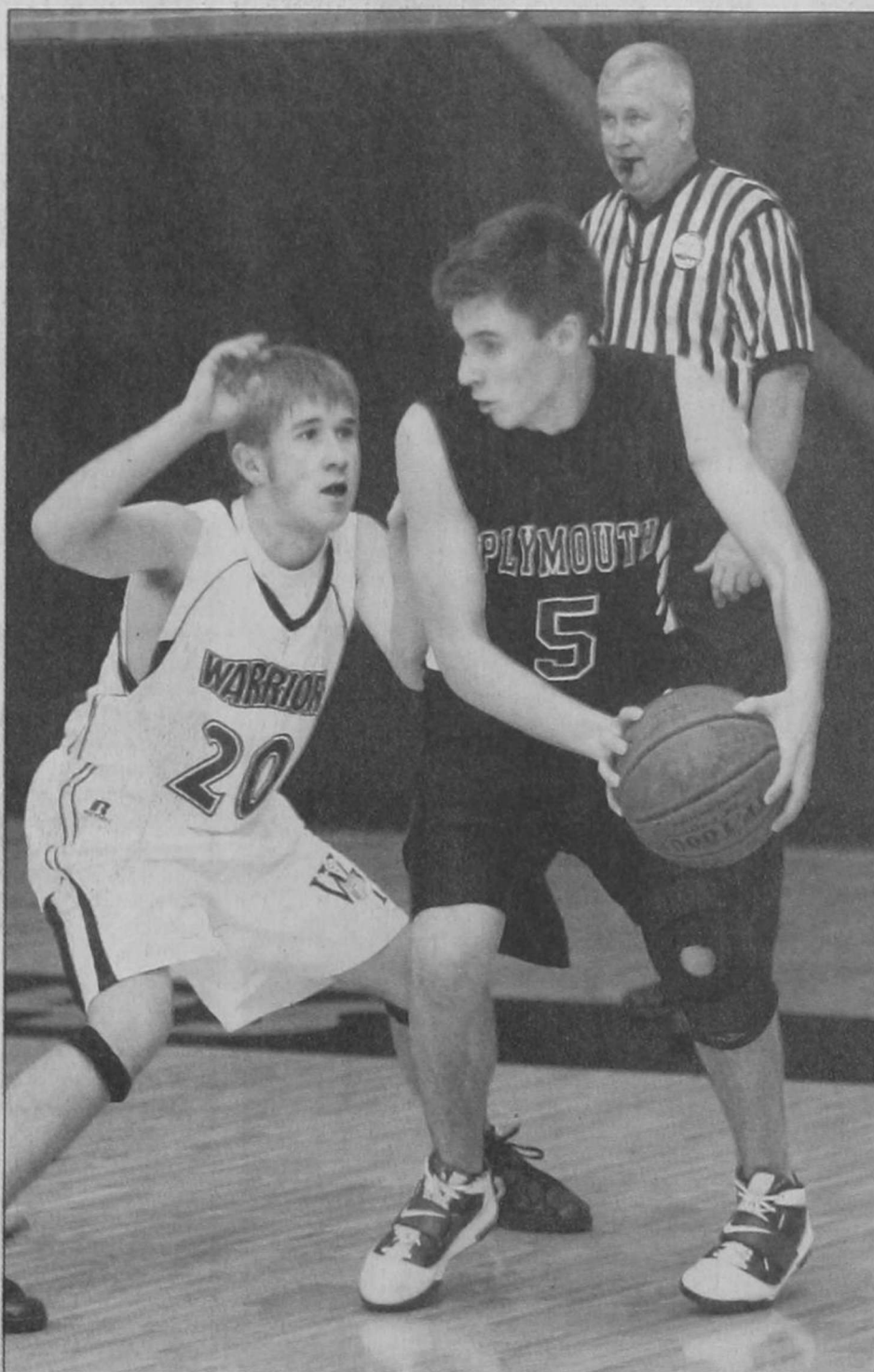
"Our guys did a great job getting him the ball inside, so that kind of set up a pattern for our guys to go inside and then as the defense collapsed we got some three-point shots."

Also playing an excellent game for PCA (1-2) was sophomore point guard Mick Noel, who tallied 18 points, five assists and four steals.

"I just switched him to the point (from the wing) a week ago because we got to have him handling the ball," Anleitner said. "It's obvious when the ball's in his hands he creates good things."

The Eagles' defensive pressure forced 17 Lutheran Westland turn-

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Looking to drive past Lutheran Westland's Marc Rosin (No. 20) during Tuesday's game is Plymouth Christian's Chris Scagnetti (No. 5).

Anleitner expects young Eagles to learn on the fly

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER



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First-year Plymouth Christian boys basketball coach Keith Anleitner (right) has some advice for sophomore point guard Mick Noel during Tuesday's game against Lutheran Westland.

Last year, Keith Anleitner took a sabbatical from coaching to watch his daughter, Mary, play volleyball and softball at Plymouth Christian Academy.

But then, there was an opening to coach the 2010-11 PCA varsity boys team and Anleitner — who last coached in '08-09 for now-defunct Canton Agape Christian — jumped at the chance.

The Eagles' new coach collected his first victory with PCA on Tuesday at Lutheran Westland, after two season-opening defeats. "We're looking for development, I'm looking for improvement," said Anleitner prior to the game against the Warriors. "We want

to peak near the end of the season so we can go into the districts and possibly make a run."

Last year's squad, coached by Mike Doyle, finished 14-8 (including 11-1 to win the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Red Division) and reached the Class D regional semifinals at Hillsdale College.

Many top players from that team graduated or decided not to return. But junior big man Eric Jipping (a bruising, 6-5 center) is back and that's as good a starting point as any.

"He (Jipping) has good footwork for a big man, he's got a nice outside shot," said Anleitner, an associate principal at Garden City High School. "Our expectation is to try to get him the ball. If we

can get him the ball inside, we can work it inside-out and come up with a pretty steady offense."

Also providing size and strength in the paint will be 6-2, 215-pound forward Richard Truhn, the team's only senior.

"He'll (share) playing time with (junior) Josh Witkowski and (sophomore) Drew Ibach," said Anleitner, although he noted Ibach also can play a guard position.

LEARNING CURVE

A key for the Eagles, who were bumped up a notch to the MIAC Blue, is sophomore guard Mick Noel.

"Mick is a sophomore, he has

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Ready for prime time

Chiefs look to contend with talent, experience

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

There are so many quality athletes on Canton's girls gymnastics team that veteran coach John Cunningham sometimes struggles to decide who makes his A-team lineup.

But Cunningham's rivals in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association won't shed any tears over his predicament. After all, the 2009-10 Chiefs captured the KLAA championship and regionals and were No. 4 in the state.

His first such test comes Saturday, when Canton travels to the Grand Rapids area for the prestigious, 16-team Rockford Invitational.

"We're going to Rockford and setting up a lineup where you can only use five girls is a killer," Cunningham said. "A good killer. Fortunately, Rockford is going to let me bring a second team, so I can split them up and give each of the girls experience as well as an opportunity (to win) medals."

Cunningham's lineups definitely will feature senior Robyn Piowar, junior Ayana Lewis and state Division 1 balance beam

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champion Alex Fiderler, a sophomore.

"Robyn's going to be my No. 1 girl," Cunningham said. "She placed in almost all events (in) D1 last year ... She just had an exceptional year and she's much better this year."

Piowar's best event is the vault, but her other events are virtually just as good, the coach added.

Lewis is another "quality gymnast" who tallied scores of 9.0 or better in every event at a mid-December tri-match.

"At state meet, (Lewis) was fourth all-around and medaled in every event," Cunningham said.

NO PRESSURE

Fiderler, besides winning the state championship in balance beam, is poised to top the Canton record in uneven parallel bars.

"I've told her every year, 'Not to put any pressure on you, Alex, but this is the second year I expect you to break the bars record at Canton,'" said Cunningham, noting that Fiderler reached 9.5

last season, just shy of the 9.55 record.

"In each of the various events, she's just an exceptional gymnast," he said. "And, of course, balance beam, if you're a returning state champion that's not bad."

The Chiefs — whose only key departure from last year was co-captain Mallory Hudak, who graduated — should be buoyed by the talents of returning seniors Kali Pierce, Cathy Huang and Brooke Granowicz.

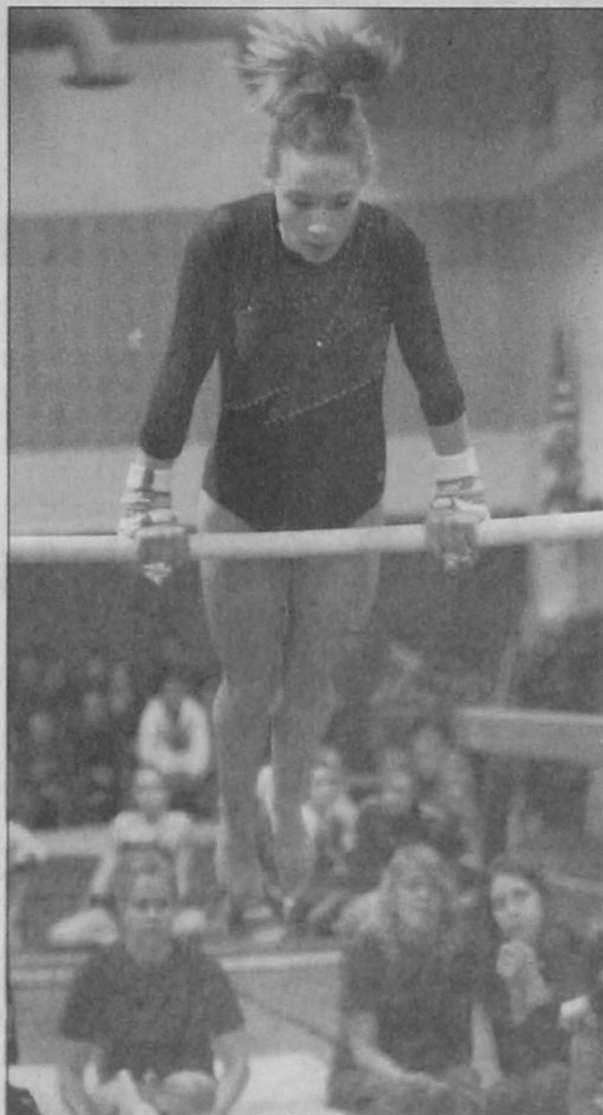
But Cunningham said both Pierce (beam, floor exercise) and Huang (bars, floor exercise) are coming off injury-plagued junior years and he'll be cautiously optimistic about what they'll be able to contribute.

Granowicz was a medalist on the balance beam at the state meet "so that has to be one of her strong events."

Junior Marina Milad could be a prime performer, particularly on the balance beam.

"She's working on big tricks, like an aerial on beam," Cunningham continued. "She'll

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Canton's Robyn Piowar, shown from a dual meet last season, is expected to be a premium performer in all events for the Chiefs.

SIDELINES

Wolfpack tryouts

Tryouts are around the corner for the AAU Western Wayne Wolfpack girls basketball team.

Girls now in grades five-eight are invited to come out either 2-4 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 15, or Saturday, Jan. 29, at Salem High School.

Participants are asked to bring a \$20 fee. For more information, contact coach Brian Samulski via e-mail at samulski@comcast.net.

Salem third in tourney

The Salem varsity boys hockey team went 2-1 at the recent Traverse City Central Tournament.

Coach Ryan Ossenmacher said his team nearly reached the tourney final, coming close to tying Orchard Lake St. Mary's in the late stages before giving up an empty netter as the Eaglets won 5-3.

But the Rocks blanked Traverse City West 2-0, behind shutout goalkeeping from senior Brandon Price. Salem also defeated the Traverse City Bay Area Reps 4-1.

Salem (6-3) will next visit Eddie Edgar Arena in Livonia to square off against Livonia Franklin, with the puck drop at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 12.

Meanwhile, the planned outdoor game at Detroit Clark Park with Livonia Churchill instead will take place at Canton Arctic Pond on Saturday, Jan. 15. Further details will be announced.

Hoop leagues forming

You'd better hurry to sign up for the YMCA winter basketball leagues. The deadline to register is Friday, for leagues that will run from the week of Jan. 17 through March 25. Signups are handled on a first-come, first-served basis.

Spokesman Josh Landefeld said YMCA basketball programs build character and instill values of fair play and teamwork while providing important exercise and physical development.

There will be one practice a week and one Friday evening game per week. Fees are \$89 for YMCA members and \$121 for community participants.

For more information on this season or other YMCA programs, check the website at www.ymcadeloit.org or call the office at (734) 453-2904.

YMCA winter fun

The Plymouth Family YMCA is offering a variety of youth instructional programs this winter — designed for individuals of all ability levels to give kids a chance to learn or improve on life and sports skills.

In each lesson, staff and volunteer will focus on youth development elements such as teamwork and dribbling as well as healthy living components such as exercise and making good decisions.

The programs include Fun and Fitness Clinic (ages 3-5), Preschool School Clinic (ages 3-5) and Club Kickball (ages 6-8) and run from Jan. 17 through Feb. 28. For more information, contact the YMCA at (734) 453-2904 or visit www.ymcadeloit.org.

Free throw contest

The 2011 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship for boys and girls (ages 9-14) will be Sunday, Jan. 30, at St. Thomas a Becket Church, 555 S. Lilley Road, Canton. Registration starts at 2 p.m. followed by competition at 2:30 p.m.

Winners will advance through local, district and state competition. International champions are announced at the K of C international headquarters base on scores from the state level competitions. For more information, call David Lengel at (734) 516-4930.



Triumphant Flyers

The Canton Victory Honda Squirt B Flyers travel hockey team recently won the Big Bear Firebolt Tournament in Chelsea. The Flyers defeated the Ann Arbor Red Wings 5-3 in the championship game on Dec. 5. Proudly sporting their gold medals are: (back row, from left) Josh Organ, assistant coach Keith Sena, Will Skaggs, Ethan Sena, assistant coach Pat Dowd, Michael St. Jean, Matthew MacLeod and coach Dean Garber; (front row, from left) Rami Itani, Andy Skomra, Max Craggs, Josh Montroy, Jake Dowd, Devin Dowd, Kurt Faerber and Brandon Garber. Not pictured are assistant coach James Organ and Kaleb Brabbs.



Hot Dragons

The St. John Neumann Dragons dominated in the 2010 Mt. Carmel Christmas tournament held in Southgate. The boys varsity team won three straight games to clinch the tournament, winning the championship game 44-40 in the final minute against their CYO league rivals, the Blue Knights of Wayne St. Mary. Pictured are: (front row, from left) Nick Lanava, Collin Hurley, Broc Baechler, Peter Carravallah, Brayden Abundis; (back row, from left) assistant coaches Mike Marek and Mike Meagher, Derek Young, Gregory Williams, Anthony Merlino, Sean Meagher, assistant coach Tim Baechler and head coach Angelo Lanava.



Way to go, girls!

Going 3-0 and finishing first at the recent Chelsea Girls Basketball Tournament is enough to bring smiles to the faces of the Plymouth-Canton team, composed of players from the district's middle schools. The squad defeated Saline, Waterford and Napoleon. Pictured are: (standing, from left) coach Slominski, Maranda Armstead, Courtney LaValle, Leah Kliczinski, Jordan Church, Alanna Brown and coach Armstead; (kneeling, from left) Paige Slominski and Katie Latack.

Madonna drops pair of games in holiday tourney

In a battle of Wayne County rivals, the Madonna University men's basketball team took Marygrove College to overtime, but it was the Mustangs who came out on top, 72-69, in the consolation game of the Russ DeVette Memorial Tournament last Thursday night at Hope College.

MU freshman point-guard Bobby Naubert (Livonia Stevenson) scored 19 points and added five assists en route to all-tournament honors but it couldn't keep the Crusaders from falling to 4-12 overall.

Senior center Geoff Gaylor posted a double-double with 15 points and 11 rebounds to go along with a career-high seven blocks.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Brandon Carlson, who also made all-tourney, paced the Mustangs (5-10) with 19 points. Darryll Dixon added 13 points, while Justin McKinney contributed 11 points and 10 rebounds. Marcus Hopkins chipped in with 10 points.

McKinney's jumper with 43 seconds remaining in regulation tied the game at 59-all.

Travis Schuba's triple with only nine second left pulled MU to within one, 70-69, but Chris Sinagoga's made a pair of free throws to put the Mustangs back up by three.

Schuba's last-ditch three-pointer to tie missed as Marygrove

held on for the victory.

MU led 36-29 at halftime and by as many as nine in the second half (51-42) before Marygrove charged back to tie it at 55-all with 3:17 remaining.

The rebounding was even at 39-all with MU shooting 27-of-67 from the floor (40.3 percent), while Marygrove connected on 28-of-64 (43.8 percent).

MALONE (OHIO) 74, MADONNA 65: Freshman Travis Schuba came off the bench to score a career-high 16 points Wednesday, but Madonna University (4-11) fell to Malone College (10-4) in the opening round of the Russ DeVette Memorial Holiday Tournament hosted by Hope College.

Eric Coblentz paced Malone

PCA

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overs, and ultimately cooled off the Warriors' hot hands of the first quarter.

Warriors' senior Marc Rosin scored nine straight points — including a pair of back-to-back triples from the left flank midway through the first — as his team clawed back from that early deficit to go up 11-10.

But Rosin would finish with 14 for the night. Also hitting two treys in the first frame was Sylvester, but he would not score another point and finished with eight.

In the second half, Lutheran Westland came out more aggressively and diminutive senior guard Kent Krzyske fired up his team with 15 points (his total for the game).

Chipping in with nine second-half points was senior Derrick Mozham. However, by that time, the Eagles had enough of a cushion.

"He (Krzyske) plays his butt off and that's how we have to play as a team," Haller said. "Everybody's got to have the energy that he does. If we do we're going to be fine."

Better shooting wouldn't hurt, either. The Warriors only hit 18 of 54 field goal attempts for the game.

Scoring seven points each for PCA were junior Christopher Scagnetti (also five assists) and sophomore Drew Ibach while sophomore Alexander Huber scored six and pulled down 10 rebounds.

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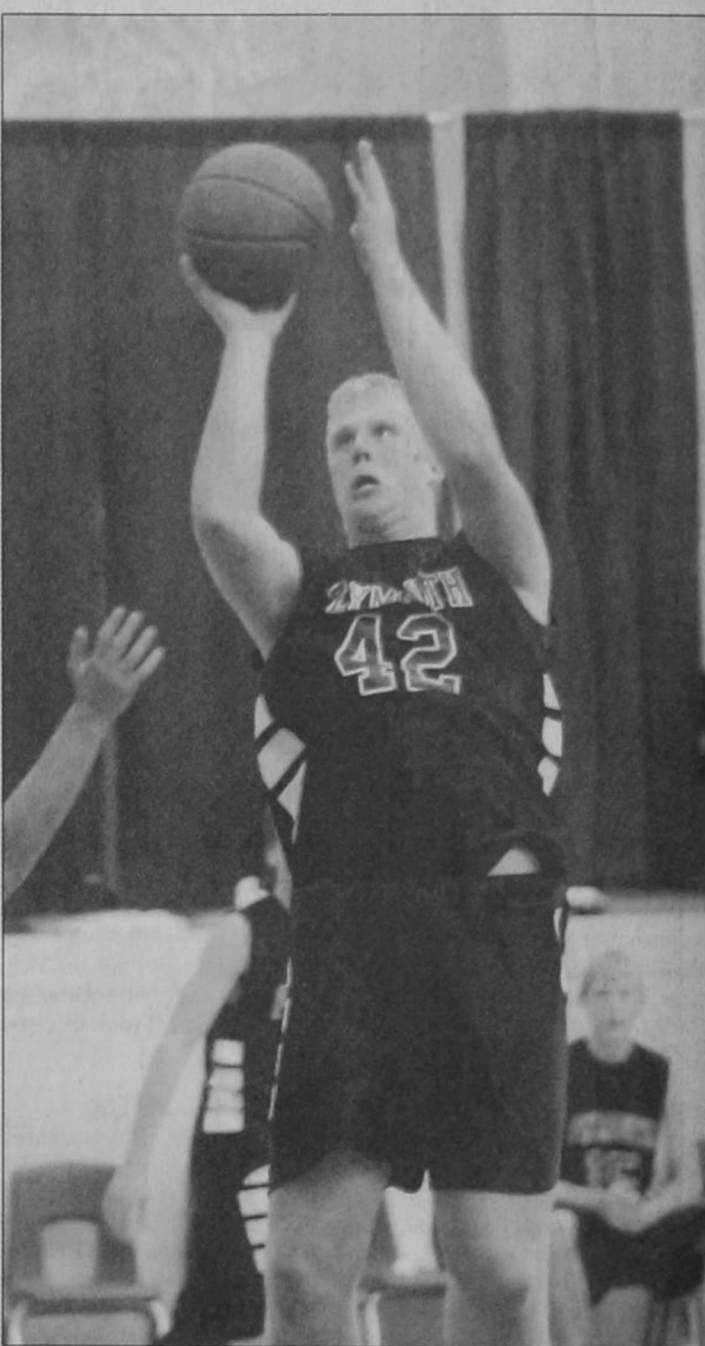
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tremendous ability, athleticism," Anleitner said. "He just has a knack for scoring ... And he's got a lot of different shots, little runners and short little jump shots."

Noel played wing guard as a freshman, but was recently moved to point guard because of his all-around playmaking ability.

Anleitner stressed that it is a rebuilding season, but he is confident the team will



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Although Plymouth Christian junior center Eric Jipping is shown taking a jumper Tuesday night, he scored most of his 26 points on layups.

keep progressing as it learns the uptempo kind of game he wants the Eagles to play.

"We have a whole new system" that the team is still learning, said Anleitner, stressing that he didn't take over the reins until preseason practices began in mid-November.

But, it helps that junior guard Daniel Mullett played for him in 2008-09 at Agape Christian.

"I had him at Agape when he was a freshman, so he knows all the plays inside and out," the coach said. "It's really been important to have him, to kind of communicate to the other guys from a player's point of

view how these plays work.

"And, that if you stick with them you're going to see some improvement."

Mullett brings defensive savvy to the squad, but the Eagles have several good-shooting guards who will divide playing time among the three spots.

Besides Noel, those include juniors Chris Scagnetti, Josh Middleton and sophomore Alex Huber. On Tuesday, the starting lineup in the backcourt consisted of Noel, Scagnetti and Huber.

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be my first girl since Katie Gillis in 1995 that actually threw an aerial on beam."

Sophomore Nicole Lasecki is "much improved," following diligent off-season training and participation in various camps, Cunningham said.

"She's going to score nines on floor and probably on beam," Cunningham said. "And if she can get her vault together she'll score nines on vault, too."

TALENTED NEW TRIO

Where the quandary comes in for Cunningham's lineup juggling is the influx of outstanding freshmen Allie Archibald, Erica Lucas and Melissa Greene.

All bring club experience and can compete for the A-team, according to Cunningham.

"Erica is an excellent vaulter, good on bars, good on floor," he said. "Melissa is excellent on floor, good on beam. Each of them are quality gymnasts. It makes it tough to set a lineup."

Meanwhile, Cunningham said Saturday's tournament could help him gauge just how the Chiefs match up against



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Canton's Alex Fideler shows her technique on the uneven parallel bars during a 2009-10 dual meet. Fideler also is defending Division 1 state champion on the balance beam.

other top teams in the state.

But he already is pretty confident about 2010-11.

"I'm really looking forward to this season," Cunningham

added. "If I can get everybody well we'll be a challenger for the state championship."

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

Need baseball players

The Livonia Legends, a 10-and-under travel baseball team, needs a few players to complete their roster for the 2011 season. Evaluations will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 8.

For more information, call Livonia Franklin varsity baseball coach Matt Fournier at (734) 968-0499.

MU softball camps

Madonna University women's softball coach Al White and his staff will hold two sessions of winter camps, specializing in individual instruction, including:

Fundamental Camp No. 1 - 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Saturdays, Jan. 8, 15, 22 and 29, at the MU Activities Center, 36600 Schoolcraft Road,

Livonia; Fundamental Camp No. 2 - noon-2:30 p.m. Sundays, Feb. 6, 13, 22 and 27, at the MU Activities Center. The cost is \$150 for each camp.

For more information, call White at (734) 432-5783; or Steve Gentilia at (734) 776-1716. You can also e-mail awhite@madonna.edu.

Stevenson baseball clinic

Learn the basics of throwing, pitching, hitting, infield-outfield play at a youth baseball clinic (grades 2-6) from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26 at the Livonia Stevenson High School fieldhouse. The cost is \$30 for the first 60 enrolled.

For more information, call Stevenson baseball coach Rick Berryman at (734) 455-8623.

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Education: Graduate East Detroit High School; B.A. Journalism (minored in history and English) Central Michigan University in 1978.

Awards: Honored for sports writing, sport column writing and best sports sections by the Michigan Press Association and Suburban Newspapers of America

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Education: Livonia Franklin High School grad where he played high school basketball on the Patriots' first district championship team B.A. Journalism, Franklin College, Franklin, Ind.

Awards: Catholic League Hall of Fame (1996) Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan Hall of Honor (2008) O&E Journalist of the Year (1996) College Tennis MVP, Franklin College 1977 Michigan Interscholastic Track Coaches Association Finish Line Award (2003) Honored for sports column writing by the Michigan Press Association

Personal: Lives in Plymouth and is an active distance runner with two local clubs (Northville and Downriver). He averages 30-35 miles per week.

In his own words:
"Covering community sports is rewarding because it's remains the last bastion of amateur sports. The athletes and schools remain appreciative of the coverage."

Name: Jim Toth Sports Editor

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Experience: Has covered prep, youth and community sports at the O&E for 24 years in Troy, Rochester, Southfield, Royal Oak, Ferndale and Berkley. Before joining the O&E, Jim worked for the Dearborn Press & Guide from 1982-86.

Personal: Lives in Dearborn. An avid golfer, who enjoys covering football and basketball equally but knows the importance of reporting on all levels of athletic competition and the notoriety it brings to the community as a whole.

Education: Graduate of Dearborn Fordson High School, B.A. Journalism Michigan State University.,

Awards: Many state and national writing awards throughout his career from the Michigan Press Association and Suburban Newspapers of America. In 2010 he received MPA awards for sports writing and sports feature writing.

In his own words:
"I enjoy covering the prep and youth sports scenes because of the excitement it generates, the life-long lessons learned, and the character it builds in facing life's ups and downs. In conversations with athletes, you find the passion within to reach the pinnacle and lay the foundation for success after athletics."

Name: Tim Smith Sports Editor

Beat: Plymouth and Canton youth/prep and Plymouth Whalers of the OHL.

Experience: Joined the O&E in 1986, as a news reporter for the Southfield Eccentric. He also covered news beats in West Bloomfield/Lakes (1991-97) and Farmington (1997-2001).

Joined the sports staff in 2001, covering the Redford-Garden City communities, Madonna University and Schoolcraft College.

Education: Graduate of Livonia Clarenceville High School, B.A. Mass Communication Wayne State University.

Personal: Lives in Livonia with wife Donna and 16-year-old daughter Elizabeth. He is the author of "Miracle Birth Stories of Very Premature Babies -- Little Thumbs Up!" (1999). Is a longtime recreational ice hockey goalie.

Awards: Finalist for Society of Professional Journalist's (Detroit Chapter) Journalist of the Year Award in 1996, O&E Journalist of the Year 1998. Writing, reporting awards from the Michigan Press Association and Suburban Newspapers of America.

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Former film actress to speak at screening of 1962 classic

BY SHARON DARGAY
O&E STAFF WRITER

Mary Badham starred in the 1962 film, *To Kill a Mockingbird*, but avoids watching it.

"I hear the score and I tear up," explained Badham, 58, who played "Scout," the daughter of Atticus Finch, roles that landed Gregory Peck an Oscar and Badham an Academy Award nomination.

"We really did become like a family," she added, recalling life on the set.

The former actress will talk about her experience working on the film, the message of the story penned by Harper Lee in 1960 and take questions from the audience Jan. 14-15 at the Redford Theatre in Detroit.

"For years I've been travelling around, teaching the lessons of *Mockingbird* and keeping it alive for children. I've been doing 'The Big Read' for a number of years and *Mockingbird* has been a number one pick," she said, referring to the National Endowment for the Arts program that encourages reading for pleasure and enlightenment. "It has been great fun to travel. It keeps me on the road and keeps me busy. They've even done it in Russia. I was sent to Russia a number of years ago. It was mostly adults and college students. I talked about what Birmingham, Alabama, was like when I was growing up and how it has grown and changed today. And in general, how the U.S. has grown as a country. Looking at race and equality and the opening up of our hearts to other human beings is so important."

Badham said she speaks about the importance of family while she's on the road championing the book and film. She's married, has two grown children and a granddaughter, and lives on a farm in Virginia when



Mary Badham played "Scout" in the film, *"To Kill a Mockingbird"* and will make a personal appearance Friday-Saturday, Jan. 14-15 at the Redford Theatre.

she's not travelling. And although she hasn't worked in the film industry since her teenage years, she has plenty to say about entertainment today.

"We need to turn off the violence

and the electronics. People don't know how to have conversations today. If you look at TV now, everyone is screaming at each other," she said. "They are pulling at the lowest common denominator."



Mary Badham at age 10 as "Scout" in the film, *"To Kill a Mockingbird."*

ROLE MODELS

Badham, the youngest child and only girl, was a tomboy in her family, but also grew up reading *The Wall Street Journal* to her father, a U.S. Army general. She said both he and her mother, a stage actress, stressed reading and made time for children.

"My parents were wonderful. I had the best," she said, also counting Peck and the other actors on *Mockingbird* as "strong role models."

"It's critical to take time to chill out and be one on one with children and give them the time they need, so they can learn how to deal with the world. This world is a crazy place to deal with."

MOVIE ROLE

It was her mother who took her to

"TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD"

What: Screening of the 1962 film and personal appearance by Mary Badham, who played "Scout" in the movie

When: 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 14 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 15; doors open one hour before show time

Where: The Redford Theatre, northeast corner of Grand River Ave. and Inkster, Detroit

Admission: \$5 general admission includes free parking

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a casting call in Birmingham for *To Kill a Mockingbird* when she was 9 years old. Badham said she had no previous acting experience and just went along with what seemed like fun.

"It was five months of having a blast."

She did a few films after *Mockingbird*, but left the business to pursue college. Films by the late 1960s and early 1970s had too much "sex, drugs and rock and roll" and Badham, who had never planned to study acting, wasn't interested. She considered a career as a veterinarian, with a specialty in equine medicine, but left the university to marry and raise a family.

Now she savors her quiet time "off the grid" at her farm when she's not on the road.

"I love sewing and painting and I work in my garden and play with my pony," she said. "I've been so blessed. If I could just get people, especially these kids who say, 'oh, if I just had a lot of money,' to understand money is not the key. It's family and friends. If you have one close friend, you are doing well."

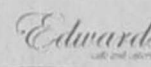
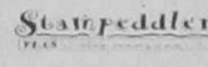
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Juice, an Ann Arbor ensemble, uses singing bike wheels, glowsticks, sound effect battles and music on invented instruments to create its signature songs in a one-of-a-kind show.

Ann Arbor ensemble returns to Canton theater

Juice, a percussion troupe that uses singing bike wheels, glowsticks, sound effect battles and invented instruments to create a one-of-a-kind show, will perform at 8 p.m., Friday, Jan. 7, 2011 at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill, in Canton.

The Ann Arbor group, which performed at The Village Theater in 2009, will bring all-new material to the stage. Its nine members come from many different backgrounds but unite around their shared love for making original music and exploring new ideas.

"I'm really excited to be back at the Village Theater and put on what will be our best show yet," stated Brandon Krieg, the group's founder. "We had a terrific audience last time and hope to see them here again."

Tickets are \$16 per person bought by Jan. 6, 2011. After that date they cost \$20 for adults, \$18 for seniors and students, and \$16 for groups for 15 or more.

Visit www.CantonVillageTheater.org and click on "box office" or call (734) 394-5460.

Off-Broadway shows come to Novi with Andiamo dinner series

Steve Solomon's one-man comedy, *My Mother's Italian, My Father's Jewish and I'm in Therapy*, kicks off an 11-show series of critically-acclaimed Off-Broadway productions at Andiamo Novi Theatre.

Solomon's show runs Wednesday-Sunday through Jan. 23. Tickets for all shows in the series, which ends in June, are on sale now and range from \$30-\$35. Dinner and show packages are available for \$79.95 and \$89.95.

Performance times are 8 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, 7 p.m. Saturday and 5 p.m. Sunday.

There is something for everyone in the 2011 Off-Broadway Series. Shows bring to life such topics as the hilarity and ups-and-downs of relationships between families and men and women, and an up-close-and-personal (and humorous) look at many celebrities' memoirs. Audiences also will have mind-games played on them, will be taken to a galaxy far far away with one man's solo mission, and will feel like they are in the same room as the "Godfather" during a homage to Coppola's classic.

In addition to Soloman's show, other productions are:

Jan. 26-30: Marc Salem's *Mindgames*

Feb. 3-5: *I Say Tomato, You Say Shut Up* - A Love Story featuring Annabelle Gurwicht and Jeff Kahn

Feb. 9-20: Mike Dugan's *Men Fake Foreplay*

Feb. 24-26: *One Man Star Wars*

March 2-20: *The Godfadda Workout*

March 23-April 10: *I Love You, You're Perfect, Now*



Marc Salem brings his "Mindgames" show this month to Andiamo Novi Theatre.

Change
April 13-24: Robert Dubac's *Male Intellect - An Oxymoron?*
April 29-May 1: *Celebrity Autobiography*
May 4-22: *Bad Dates*
May 25-June: *The Last Five Years*
Buy tickets at the Andiamo Novi Theatre box office; by

phone at the box office (248) 348-4448 or at Ticketmaster at (800) 745-3000; or online at www.ticketmaster.com. Dinner and show packages may be purchased only at the Andiamo Novi Theatre box office. The Andiamo Novi Theatre is located at 42705 Grand River Ave., Novi.

Movie series kicks off season with 'Raiders of the Lost Ark'

The 2011 Movies at the Marquis series, "Classics through the Decades" starts Jan. 15 with a screening of the 1981 adventure film, *Raiders of the Lost Ark*.

Tom Holzer Ford sponsors the series at the family-owned Marquis Theatre, 135 E. Main, in downtown Northville. The series runs Saturdays through March 19.

Here's the upcoming schedule:

- Jan. 15 - *Raiders of the Lost Ark* (1981): Directed by Steven Spielberg and starring Harrison Ford, this epic adventure introduced the world to famous archaeologist Indiana Jones. Presented by Preservation Dental

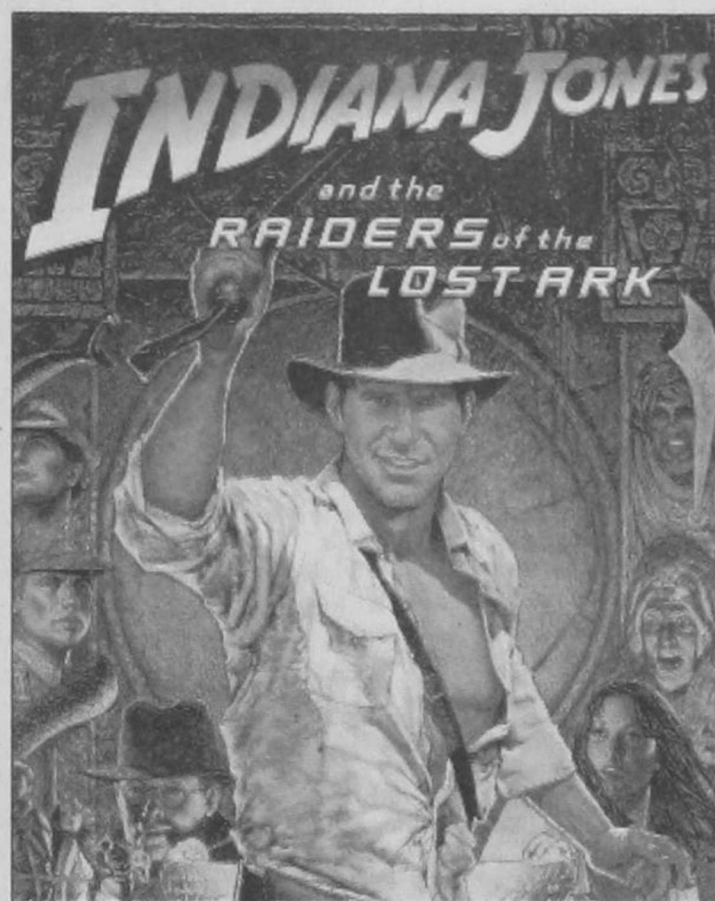
- Jan. 22 - *Funny Face* (1957) A fashion classic, Audrey Hepburn plays a reluctant model swept away to Paris by a handsome photographer. Presented by Next Chapter Bookstore & Bistro

- Jan. 29 - *Tootsie* (1982): Dustin Hoffman leads a star-studded cast as he plays an unemployed actor who dresses as a woman to land a soap opera role. Presented by Poole's Tavern

- Feb. 5 - *Sunset Boulevard* (1950): A former silent film star struggles with Hollywood obscurity in a dramatic classic starring William Holden and Gloria Swanson. Presented by Orin Jewelers.

- Feb. 12 - *It Happened One Night* (1934): Clark Gable and Claudette Colbert heat up the silver screen in this romantic comedy about a spoiled heiress and the roving reporter who courts her. Presented by Long Plumbing, Heating & Cooling, Kitchen & Bath Design.

- Feb. 19 - *Love Story* (1970): It doesn't get more romantic than this timeless tale of star-cross lovers played by Ali MacGraw and



See "Raiders of the Lost Ark" Jan. 15 at the Marquis Theatre in downtown Northville.

Ryan O'Neal. Presented by Stampeddler

- Feb. 26 - *Guess Who's Coming to Dinner* (1967):

A couple (Spencer Tracy and Katharine Hepburn) confronts their preconceptions when their daughter brings home her black fiancé (Sidney Poitier). Presented by Sincerely Yours

- March 5 - *West Side Story* (1961): The feuding families become two warring New York City gangs- the white Jets led by Riff and the Puerto Rican Sharks, led by Bernardo. Presented by Starring the Gallery.

- March 12 - *The Sting* (1973): Paul Newman and Robert Redford play con men

that team up to steal a fortune from a crooked banker. Presented by Urban Optiques

- March 19 - *American Graffiti* (1973): Ron Howard, Richard Dreyfuss, Cindy Williams and Harrison Ford got their start in this tale of high school grads cruising the strip one last time. Presented by Edward's Café & Caterers

Showtime for all screenings is 7:30 p.m.; with doors opening at 6:45 p.m. Tickets are \$3 and will be available at merchant-sponsor locations. For more information and updates on the 2011 Movies at the Marquis Series, visit www.downtownnorthville.com or call (248) 349-0345.

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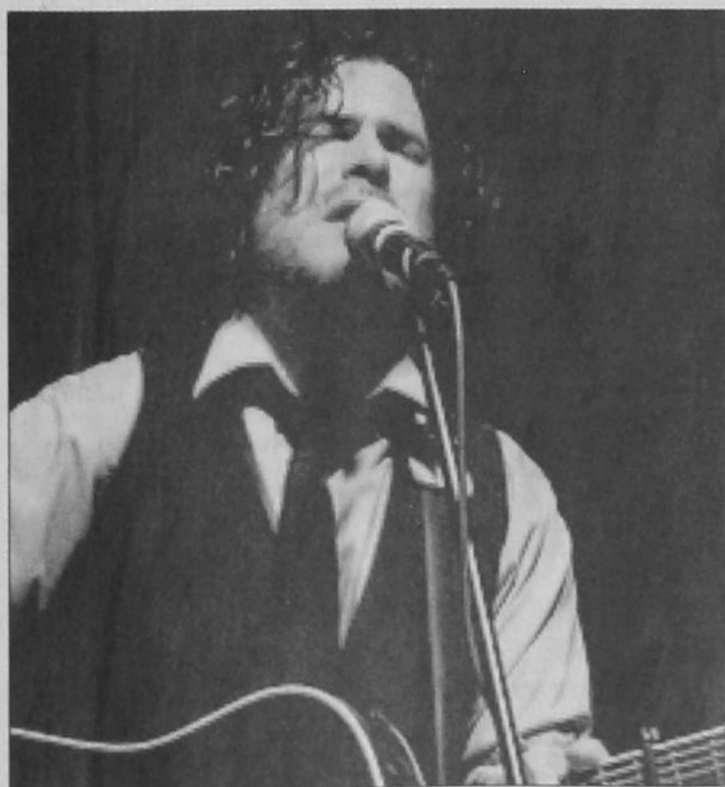
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In concert

International recording artist Singer/songwriter Michael McDermott performs at 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 8 at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill, Canton. McDermott's previous releases include his 1991 debut, 620 W. Surf, which featured the hit "A Wall I Must Climb," 1999's independently released Bourbon Blue and 2004's diverse Ashes that included "Everything I Got." The Chicago-based artist also has shared the stage with artists including Van Morrison, Aimee Mann, Seal, The Wallflowers, and many others. Tickets are \$17 per person and \$15 each for groups of 15 or more. Visit Cantonvillagetheater.org or call (734) 394-5300.

ART

Art & Ideas

Time/Date: Saturdays, 1-7 p.m., through Jan. 29
Location: 15095 Northville Road, Plymouth Township, between east-bound and westbound 5 Mile inter-sections
Details: "Time Tells All" holiday-season art exhibition, a multi-artist retrospective of 2010 exhibitions. Artwork on display through Jan. 29, 2011; free
Contact: (734) 420-0775 or visit www.artandideasgallery.com

Northville Art House

Time/Date: Jan. 7-29; artist reception 6-9 p.m. Jan. 7
Location: 215 W. Cady in downtown Northville
Details: Erik Olson shows oil portraits of homes and structures in various stages of repair in a show called "An Outside View"
Contact: (248) 344-0497

CONCERTS

The Ark

Time/Date: Michael Smith, Jan. 6; Mountain Heart, Jan. 7; Jill Jack Birthday Bash, Jan. 8; Mississippi Heat, Jan. 9; David Francey & Craig Werth & Amelia Curran, Jan. 12; The Red Sea Pedestrians, Jan. 13; The Yellow Room Gang, Jan. 14; The RFD Boys, Jan. 15; BeauSoleil Avec Michael Doucet, Jan. 16
Location: 316 South Main, Ann Arbor
Contact: (734) 763-8587; www.theark.org

Seligman Performing Arts Center

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 8
Location: On the campus of Detroit Country Day School, 22305 W. 13 Mile, Beverly Hills
Details: Chamber Music Society of Detroit presents The Emerson String Quartet. Tickets cost \$43-\$75; students pay \$25
Contact: (248) 855-6070 or visit www.ComeHearCMSD.org

Jazz @ The Elks

Time/Date: 7-10:30 p.m., every fourth Tuesday
Location: Plymouth Elks Lodge #1780 at 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth
Details: Jazz musicians perform; no cover, but donations accepted
Contact: (734) 453-1780 www.PlymouthElks1780.com

Baseline Folk Society

Time/Date: Third Saturday of the month
Location: The JWH Center for the Arts, Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth
Details: Eight "Open-Mic" performances plus a featured group perform. Sign up for open mic from 6:15-6:45 p.m.; show starts at 7 p.m. Individual membership is \$25 and includes monthly concerts from September through May. Otherwise, admission to each concert is \$5 at the door. Family memberships are \$50 and include monthly concerts
Contact: (248) 719-3464 or mjmmul-len@yahoo.com

Music Hall

Time/Date: 8 p.m., Jan. 28
Location: 350 Madison, Detroit



Pekka the puppet will entertain preschoolers Jan. 9, 2011 at Music Hall's Jazz Cafe in Detroit.

Details: The Latin Jazz All Stars; tickets \$30, \$40 and \$50
Contact: (313) 887-8500
Trinity House Theatre
Time/Date: Chris Trapper, Jan. 7; Ruth and Max Bloomquist, Jan. 8; Dave Boutette and the Folk Brothers, Jan. 14; Jay Stielstra Trio, Jan. 15; Sheila Landis featuring Rick Matle and Blues in the Night, Jan. 21; Billy Bynum and Company with Billy Brandt and Sarana Verlin, Jan. 22
Location: 38840 W. Six Mile, Livonia
Contact: (734) 464-6302, www.trinityhouse.org

Village Theater at Cherry Hill

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 7
Location: 50400 Cherry Hill, Canton
Details: Annie & Rod Capps kick off the first concert of 2011 in the continuing First Friday Studio Series. The Capps are from Chelsea and will play American folk music in the Biltmore Studio at the theater. Tickets are \$12 each, general admission
Also appearing: See Juice, an Ann Arbor group that combines percussion, invented instruments, and humor in its performances, 8 p.m., Jan. 8. Tickets are \$16 if purchased by Jan. 6. Tickets bought after Jan. 6 will cost \$20 for adults and \$18 for seniors and students.
Contact: (734) 394-5460 or visit www.cantonvillagetheater.org

COMEDY

Go Comedy!

Time/Date: Various show times Wednesdays thru Sundays
Location: 261 E. Nine Mile, Ferndale
Details: Improv most nights. Open mic/jam session show for improvisers is 10 p.m. Wednesdays
Contact: (248) 327-0575; www.gocomedy.net

JD's House of Comedy

Time/Date: Various show times Wednesday-Saturday evenings
Location: 25333 W. 12 Mile, inside Star Theatre complex, Southfield
Details: Stand-up shows, 8 p.m. Thursday and 8 p.m., 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday; Apollo amateur night, 8 p.m. Wednesday
Contact: (248) 348-2420 or www.ticketmaster.com

Joey's Comedy Club of Livonia

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Mondays, open Mic; 8 p.m. Tuesdays, Local Legends; 8 p.m. shows Wednesdays, Thursdays; 8 p.m. & 10:30 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays
Location: 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia



Pete Escovedo and other members of Latin Jazz All Stars will play Jan. 28 at Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts in downtown Detroit.

Details: Dan Cummings, Jan. 5-8; Steve White, Jan. 12-15; Kurt Metzger, Jan. 19-22; John Roy, Jan. 26-29
Contact: (734) 261-0555, www.kickerscomplex.com

Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle

Time/Date: Jay Black, Jan. 6-8; Tom Simmons, Jan. 13-15; Tom Segura, Jan. 20-22; Ken Rogerson, Jan. 27-29; Louis Ramey, Feb. 3-5
Location: 269 E. Fourth, Royal Oak
Contact: (248) 542-9900, www.comedycastle.com

DANCE

Music Hall

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 14
Location: 350 Madison, Detroit
Details: The Russian National Ballet Theatre stages Tchaikovsky's "Swan Lake." Tickets are \$30-\$50
Contact: www.ticketmaster.com; (313) 887-8500

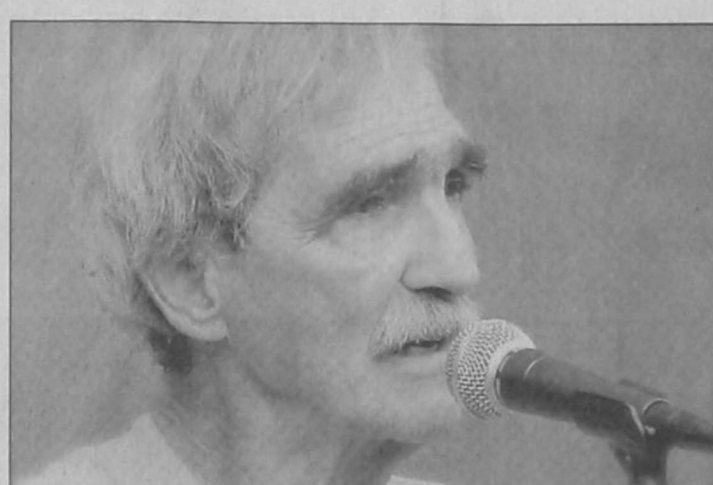
Polka Booster Club of America

Time/Date: Doors open 12:30 p.m., buffet dinner 1:30 p.m., dancing from 3-7 p.m.
Location: Msgr. Hunt K of C Hall, 7080 Garling Dr., Dearborn Heights
Details: Inauguration of officers and dance to the music of Duane Malinowski and The polka Jamboree; admission is \$22.50 with beer, wine and pop included. Reservations required
Contact: Terry at (734) 422-1901 or Joanna at (313) 561-8389

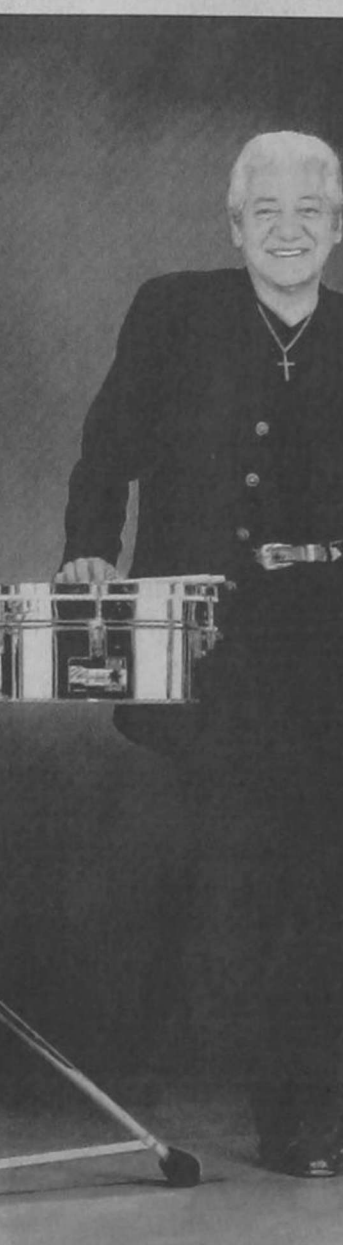
FAMILY

Bakers Keyboard Lounge

Time/Dates: 2-5 p.m. Sundays
Details: Jazz for Kids Program
Location: 20510 Livernois Ave., Detroit



Jay Stielstra will perform with Judy Banker and John Saylor Jan. 15 at Trinity House Theatre in Livonia.



Contact: (313) 345-6300, www.bakerskeyboardlounge.com

Detroit Institute of Arts

Time/Dates: 2 p.m. Sundays
Details: Target Family Sundays, storytelling, performances, free with admission
Location: 5200 Woodward, Detroit
Contact: (313) 833-7900, www.dia.org

Detroit Zoo

Time/Date: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. daily
Location: I-696 service drive and Woodward, Royal Oak
Details: Admission is \$11 for adults 15 to 61, \$9 for senior citizens 62 and older, and \$7 for children ages 2 to 14; children under 2 are free
Contact: (248) 541-5717

Jazz Cafe

Time/Date: 2 p.m. in Spanish and 4 p.m. in English, Jan. 9
Location: Music Hall, 350 Madison, Detroit
Details: Pekka, puppetry for preschoolers. The show lasts 30 minutes and is aimed at youngsters, 2-5. Tickets are \$10 for children and \$20 for adults
Contact: www.ticketmaster.com; (313) 887-8500

FILM

Penn Theater

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Jan. 6-9 and 13; 9:15 p.m. Jan. 7-8 and 4:45 p.m. Jan. 9
Location: 760 Penniman Ave., Plymouth
Details: "The Social Network," all seats \$3
Coming up: "Secretariat" 7 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. Jan. 14-15, 4:45 p.m. and 7

p.m. Jan. 16 and 7 p.m. Jan. 20
Contact: (734) 453-0870; www.penntheatre.com

Redford Theatre

Time/Date: Jan. 14-15, 2011
Location: 17360 Lahser, Detroit
Details: "To Kill a Mockingbird," tickets \$5. Mary Badham, the actress who played "Scout" in the film will appear live at each showing
Contact: www.redfordtheatre.com

MUSEUMS

Charles H. Wright

Time/Date: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and 1-5 p.m. Sunday
Location: 315 E. Warren Road, Detroit
Details: Exhibitions include Art of the Masters: A Survey of African American Images, 1980-2000 through Feb. 28; Crowning Glories: Status, Style and Self-Expression through Jan. 17; The Test: Tuskegee Airmen Project through June 19; Framed Stories: The Art of Carmen Cartiness Johnson and Jerome Wright through April 11. Museum Admission is \$8 for adults, 13-61; and \$5 for youth, 3-12, and seniors, 62 and over. Members and children 2 and under are admitted free
Contact: (313) 494-5800

Cranbrook

Time/Date: 2 p.m., Thursday-Sunday
Location: 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills
Details: Docent-guided public tours of Saarinen House, a rare integration of art, architecture, design and nature, depart from Cranbrook Institute of Science front desk. The tours are about 90 minutes long

and take place rain or shine.
Contact: (248) 645-3200 for house tours; <http://science.cranbrook.edu>

Plymouth Historical Museum

Time/Date: Through Jan. 28
Location: 155 S. Main, just north of downtown Plymouth
Details: The museum is closed for exhibit change and will reopen Jan. 29 with "Rediscovering the Civil War" exhibit
Contact: (734) 455-8940

SOMETHING DIFFERENT

Progressive International Motorcycle Show

Time/Date: 4-9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 7, 9:30 a.m.-8 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 8 and 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 9
Location: Rock Financial Showplace, 46100 Grand River Ave., Novi
Details: Hundreds of motorcycles on display, vendors, stunt show and more; admission is \$15 for adults, \$6 for children, 6-11 and free for children under 6
Coming up: The Ultimate Fishing Show, 2-9:30 p.m. Jan. 13, noon-9:30 p.m. Jan. 14, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Jan. 15 and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Jan. 16; fishing tackle displays, boat dealers, fishing guides, outfitters, indoor lake packed with rainbow trout, fishing demonstrations, youth fishing clinics and more
Contact: (800) 331-5706 or visit www.motorcycleshows.com

THEATER

Farmington Players

Time/Date: Noon Sunday, Jan. 9
Location: Farmington Players Barn, 32332 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills
Details: Auditions for "The Producers." Show dates are April 29-30 and May 1, 6-8, 12-15 and 19-21.
Contact: www.farmington-players.org

Grantland Street Players

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Mondays, Jan. 10-Feb. 21
Location: Grantland Street Playhouse, 27555 Grandland, Livonia
Details: In this readers theater workshop, participants will choose and work on a monologue from "Spoon River Anthology," by Edgar Lee Masters, with performance possibilities. Fee is \$35 for non-members and \$25 for members, due on or before Jan. 10. Send payment, made payable to Motor City Youth Theater, and registration to Nancy Florkowski, 15498 Meadowbrook Redford, MI 48239
Contact: (313) 535-8962 or www.mcyt.org

Trinity House Theatre

Time/Date: Fourth Tuesday of the month
Location: 38840 W. Six Mile, Livonia
Details: Improvisation workshops for all levels; \$3 per session
Contact: Laura Gumina at (248) 225-0160

Village Theater

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Jan. 15
Location: 50400 Cherry Hill, Canton
Details: "Salute to the Great American Songbook" features Marcia Allen of Mt. Morris, Jymy Dill of Flint, Gary Errigo of Dearborn, Kim Hutchens of Dearborn, Jordan Mac of Wixom and Chris Scarlett of Novi crooning the classic standards of Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Nat King Cole, Ella Fitzgerald, Sammy Davis, Jr., and Peggy Lee. Tickets are \$20 with a \$5 discount for senior citizens, children 14 and under and groups of 15 or more
Contact: (734) 394-5460 or canton-villagetheater.org

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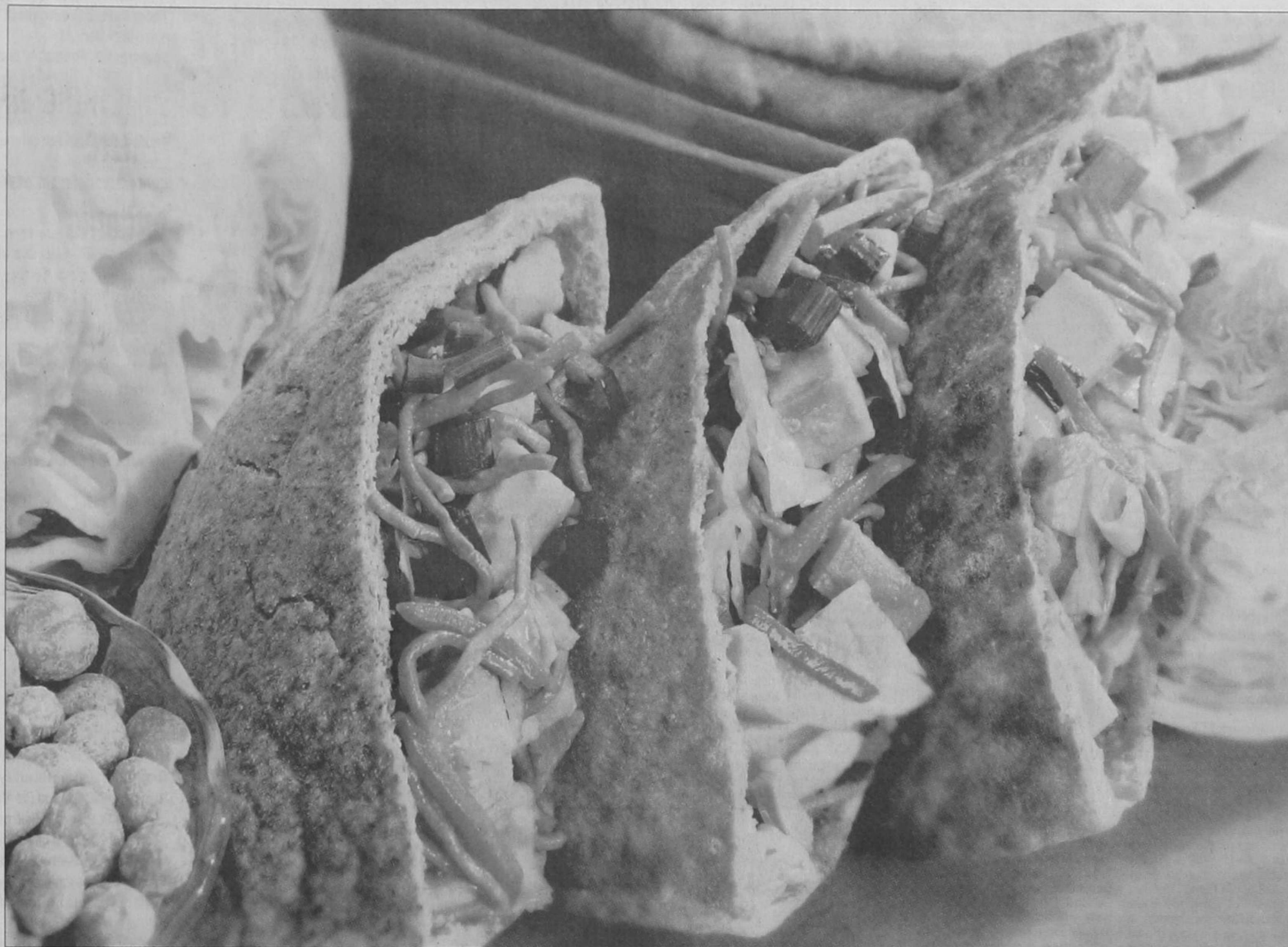
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A BETTER BROWN BAG

If you think that taking lunch to work has to be as boring as the brown bag you pack it in, think again. With a little planning and creative thinking, you can have a satisfying midday meal wherever you find a table.

Taking your lunch to work saves you money, helps you control calories and allows you to boost your daily nutrition. You control the portions and the ingredients, so you can customize what you carry, ensuring that you get a good-for-you lunch that you'll enjoy.

Here are tips from the National Peanut Board that may inspire you to think outside the lunch box and create a brown bag meal you will be proud to carry.

- **Plan ahead** — put lunch items on your grocery list and gather lunch-style recipes for your meal plan.

- **Balance choices** — select a variety of foods from www.MyPyramid.gov, including whole grains, fruits, vegetables, low-fat dairy and lean protein.

- **Think small** — pack a variety of snacks to satisfy any craving that may hit during the day.

- **Pack whole grain crackers** and sliced cheese as an alternative to a sandwich.

- **Pack a bag of snack peanuts** for an energy boost any time of the day.

- **Pack a banana** for a sweet treat that may save you from a trip to the vending machine.

- **Dress up fruits** and vegetables with protein-packed peanut butter dip (see recipe). Repurpose leftovers — instead of simply taking last night's dinner for lunch, use the ingredients to make something new.

- **Turn leftover roasted chicken** into a tasty chicken salad (see recipe).

- **Toss cold pasta** with dressing and chopped veggies for a pasta salad.

For more delicious ways to upgrade your lunch, visit www.nationalpeanutboard.org.

KICKIN' UP KIDS' LUNCHES

Even kids can get tired of the same sandwich every day. Liven up their lunches with some of these creative ideas and recipes.

- Pack frozen yogurt or an ice cold water bottle as an edible ice pack.

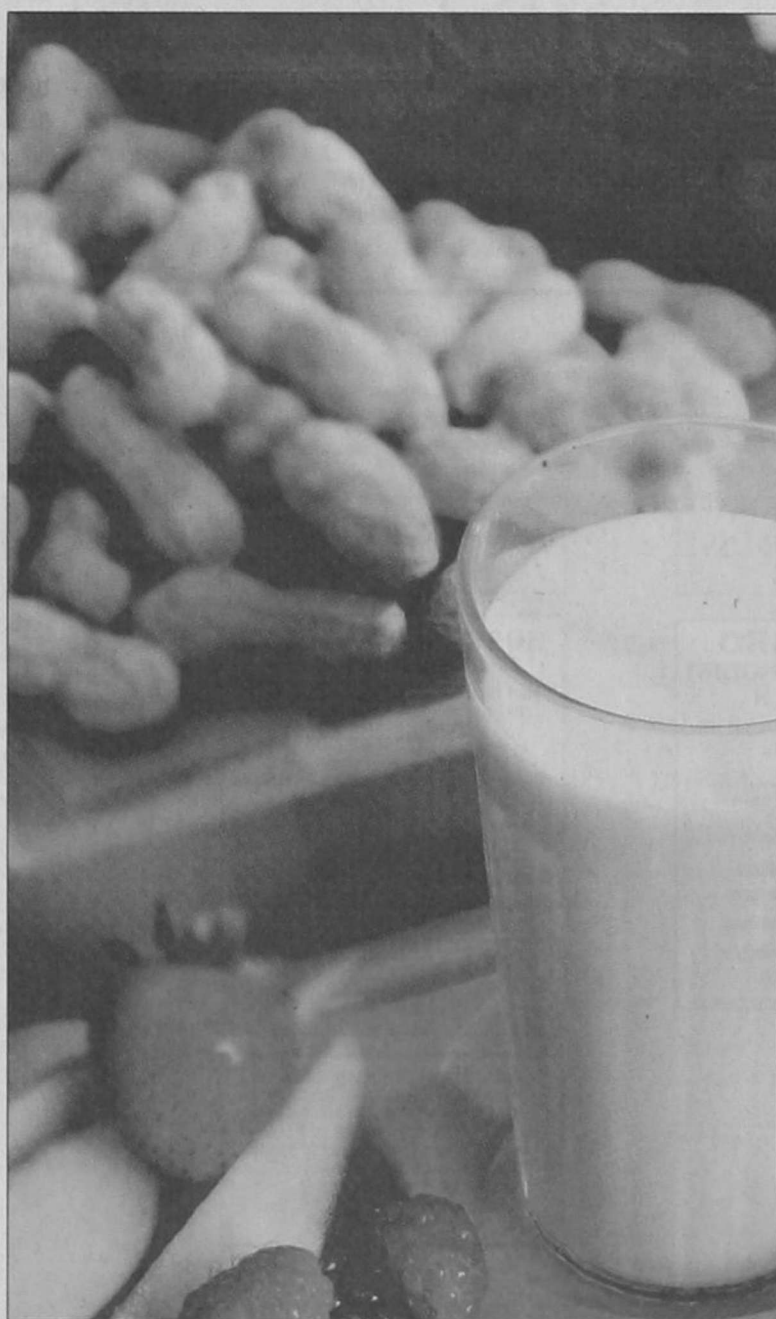
- Mix peanuts, chocolate morsels and raisins for a treat.

- Look for lunch boxes and food containers that keep foods safe and undamaged. Look for those with several compartments that keep foods separate.

- Present food in fun ways: fruit chunks on skewers, deli meats rolled up around sliced vegetables, breakfast for lunch.

- Add a nonfood treat, such as a fun eraser, sticker or other prize that children will enjoy just as much as a sweet treat.

- Pack individual sandwich ingredients and let the kids make their own creation at school.



Rock 'n' Roll Lunch

1 small whole wheat tortilla spread with 2 tablespoons peanut butter, sprinkled with ¼ cup granola, rolled up and sliced
Carrots and celery with Dazzling Peanut Butter Chocolate Dip (recipe follows)
Blackberries
Drinkable yogurt

DAZZLING PEANUT BUTTER CHOCOLATE DIP

Yield: 4 (3-tablespoon) servings

2 tablespoons low-fat plain yogurt
1 teaspoon chocolate syrup
1 tablespoon peanut butter
Chocolate sprinkles (optional)

In a standing mixing bowl, mix yogurt and chocolate syrup on medium speed until well blended.

In a microwave-safe bowl, microwave the peanut butter at 70% power for about 1 minute or until melted; stir half-way through. Pour peanut butter into chocolate yogurt mixture and mix until smooth. Top with sprinkles if desired.

Serve with 1 cup assorted carrot and celery sticks, sliced cucumbers, apples or pear slices.

PITA POCKETS WITH CHINESE CHICKEN-PEANUT SALAD

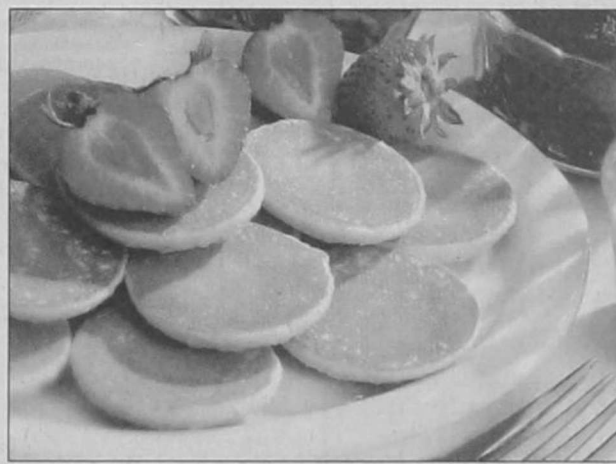
Yield: 6 pita pockets

2 cups chopped cooked chicken
1 cup grated carrots
½ head roughly chopped iceberg lettuce, (about 4 cups)
½ cup chow mein noodles
½ cup canned sliced water chestnuts
4 tablespoons peanut oil
3 tablespoons creamy peanut butter
3 tablespoons seasoned rice vinegar
1 tablespoon lite soy sauce
1 tablespoon sugar
¼ cup chopped dry-roasted peanuts
2 tablespoons chopped green onions
3 pita breads, halved

In large bowl, mix together chicken, carrots, lettuce, chow mein noodles and water chestnuts. Set aside.

To make dressing: In separate bowl, mix together peanut oil, peanut butter, rice vinegar, soy sauce and sugar until smooth. Stir in peanuts and green onions. Stir until blended. Pour dressing over salad and toss well.

Fill pita pockets with even portions of chicken salad.



BREAKFAST FOR LUNCH

1 sausage link
3 mini peanut flour pancakes (recipe follows)
Fruit cup
Greek yogurt with honey (for dipping pancakes and fruit)

PEANUT FLOUR PANCAKES

Yield: 24 (3-inch) pancakes

Use your favorite whole grain pancake mix according to package directions for 12 full size pancakes.

Add ¼ cup peanut flour* + 2 to 4 tablespoons milk.

Let stand for 10 minutes before cooking.

*This low-fat, high protein, gluten-free flour is available at supermarkets nationwide and online.

— Courtesy Family Features



KATHRYN E. BLACK

Age 78; born on March 9, 1932 in Minneapolis, Minnesota and passed away on December 22, 2010 in Wayne, Michigan. Beloved mother of Vicki (Bill) Scott, Dorothy (Bob) Wallace, William (Jeanette) Black & the late Michael Balmer and Lynn Black; Loving grandmother of 9 grandchildren & 8 great-grandchildren; Dear sister of James (Rosie) Balmer. Memorial Service will be held on January 12, 2011 at 12:00 Noon at Cadillac Memorial Garden West Cemetery, 34224 Ford Road Westland, Michigan. Arrangements entrusted to the Harry J. Will Funeral Home Wayne Chapel.



DAVID M. CROCKETT



Age 88, died on January 3, 2011, after a courageous battle with Parkinson's Disease. He is survived by his loving wife of 65 years, Mary, and four children, Jeffrey (Christine), Martha (Horace) Sneed, Paul (Theresa) and Amy (Ken) Carr. He also leaves four grandchildren, Andrew Crockett, Nicholas Crockett, Ali Crockett and Sarah Sneed, a sister-in-law, Martha (Leonard) Seale, and seventeen nephews and nieces. David was predeceased by his brother, Richard (June) Crockett, his sister, Laura McCamman, and his sister-in-law, Marjorie (Warren) Maxey. David served his country honorably as a Marine Corps Veteran of World War II and Korea. His professional career began with a Masters of Social Work from the University of Michigan. During his long career, he served as a probation officer for the Juvenile Court in Detroit, Director of St. Peter's Home for Boys, a social worker at the Plymouth Center for Human Development and, after retirement, as a probation officer for the Farmington Hills Court. David will be sadly missed by his family and his many friends, including old friends from his college days at Wayne State University, his fellow parishioners at Meadowbrook Congregational Church, where he served as a charter member and Life Deacon, and his fellow Kiwanians in Plymouth. David loved to garden, run in marathons, read books, sing in the church choir and follow Detroit sports teams. He was admired for his optimism, faith in God and his wonderful, dry sense of humor. He will always be remembered by his family as a devoted husband and father. Contributions can be made to the Meadowbrook Congregational Church Educational Endowment or Music Program. Funeral service Thursday, January 6, 2011, 1pm from the Meadowbrook Congregational Church, 21355 Meadowbrook Rd, Novi, with family receiving friends beginning at 12pm. Arrangements entrusted to the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 S. Main St., Plymouth. Share memories at [schrader-howell.com](http://www.schrader-howell.com)

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GLORIA JEAN DRABIK

Age 68, of Westland. Beloved wife of John "Sy". Loving mother of John P. (Bonnie), Joseph (Kim), Laura (Michael) Protic and Kimberly. Proud grandmother of eight grandchildren and one great-grandson. Dear sister of Alice, Dee Dee, Buddie, Rose, John, Arden, Darlene and Tommy. Memorial gathering Sat., Jan. 8, 2011 at 11 am until 1 pm Memorial Service at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 980 N Newburgh Rd (btwn Ford & Cherry Hill) Westland. Memorial Contributions may be made to St. Joseph Catholic Church, 3521 Fourth St., Wayne, MI 48184.

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www.vermeulenfuneralhome.com

ROBERT (BOB)
A. SMITT SR.

82, of Westland, MI, formerly of Venice, FL, passed away Wednesday, December 22, 2010 at Maple Manor in Wayne, MI. Robert was born October 19, 1928 to Tony and Lottie Szmytkowski. Robert counted his blessings in loving friends and family who brought special joy and laughter throughout his life, especially during his illness. Robert enjoyed cars, golfing, playing cards with family and friends and always carried a tune in his heart. He was an extremely hard worker. He was employed at Ford Motor Company for 42 years. Robert will never be alone for he'll be embraced by all the family and friends he has ever known. All their hearts will beat as one, and the circle of their spirits will shine brighter than the sun. Robert leaves behind his loving wife Marge who was his best friend and soul mate for 61 years. He also leaves behind 1 sister, 8 children, 15 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. Robert will be missed dearly by all who knew him. Services will be held on Saturday, January 8th at 11:00am at St. Raphael Church in Garden City, MI. Father Ray Lewandowski will officiate.



MARY V. MAURIN

Age 95, of Belleville, IL, formerly of Farmington Hills, MI, born November 7, 1915, in Baltic, MI, died Thursday, December 30, 2010, at Dammert Geriatric Center at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows, Belleville, IL. Miss Maurin worked in civil service for 35 years with the Department of the Army until her retirement. She belonged to the 50-Plus group and was a member of St. Alexander's Catholic Church in Farmington Hills, MI. Mary was preceded in death by her parents, Paul and Lucille, nee Rauh, Maurin; a sister, Frances VanGorp; and two brothers, Peter and Joseph Maurin. Surviving are her sister, Katherine Lancot of Minot, ND; her nephew, David (Dottie) Lancot of Belleville, IL; and other nieces and nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. In lieu of all other gifts, memorials may be made to The Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows, 726 Community Drive, Belleville, IL, 62223, or in the form of Masses. Condolences may be expressed to the family online at www.rennerfh.com. Arrangements were by George Renner & Sons Funeral Home, Belleville, IL.

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you in this
time of
sorrow.

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JAN. 13-19

Concert

Time/Date: 7 p.m., Jan. 15

Location: St. John Armenian Church, 22001 Northwestern Highway, Southfield

Details: Oakland Choral Society presents "Rachmaninoff's 'Vespers'" in Church Slavonic. Carols and an original composition will be included in the program; tickets are \$15 and \$25, available in advance or at the door
Contact: (248) 391-0184

Financial Peace University

Time/Date: 7 p.m., Jan. 18-April 12

Location: Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt, Livonia

Details: Discover a world of freedom by using proven, biblical principles to permanently break free from the bondage of debt.

Contact: Register by calling (248) 474-3444 or by e-mailing to clarencevilleumc@att.net

Panel discussion

Time/Date: Approximately noon, after 9:30 a.m. Shabbat service and Kiddush, Saturday, Jan. 15

Location: Congregation Beth Ahm, 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield

Details: Five shul members who attended the recent annual international conference of the World Federation of Jewish Child Survivors of the Holocaust (WFJCSH), will share their thoughts about the conference

Contact: Rene Lichtman at (248) 932-1834 or e-mail holaocaustchild@comcast.net

JAN. 20-31

Former Catholics

Time/Date: 7 p.m., Jan. 25

Location: St. Michael the Archangel Parish, 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, Livonia

Details: Six-week series, "Catholics Returning Home," is designed for non-practicing Catholics who are seeking answers to questions about the possibility of returning to the Church. The sessions will be con-

ducted by former lapsed Catholics in a casual, non-threatening environment, with plenty of opportunities for questions and discussion.

Contact: (734) 261-1455, Ext. 200; www.livoniastmichael.org

Widowed Friends

Time/Date: 2:15 p.m. check in; 2:30 p.m. Mass, Jan. 23

Location: St. Thomas a' Becket Church, 555 S. Lilley Road, just south of Cherry Hill, in Canton

Details: Mass for widowed men and women, with refreshments and social time after

Contact: Pat at (734) 895-6246

ONGOING

AWANA

Time/Date: 6:30-8 p.m., Wednesdays

Location: Faith Bible Church, 23414 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills

Details: AWANA program for children from kindergarten-fifth grade

Contact: (248) 426-0096

Classes/study

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 7-8 p.m., second Monday of the month

Location: 34567 Seven Mile, between Farmington and Newburgh roads, Livonia

Details: Open Arms Bible class for adults with developmental disabilities and special needs. Includes songs, Bible lessons, crafts and activities, prayer, snacks and fun.

Contact: Judy Cook at Emmanuel, (248) 442-8822 or e-mail to jcook59@att.net

Livonia Unity

Time/Date: Monday movement Oigong, 7-8:30 p.m.; Thursday Oigong meditation, 10-11:15 a.m., and Friday Therapeutic Oigong, 7-8:30 p.m.

Location: 28660 Five Mile, Livonia

Details: Learn Oigong, the ancient form of Chinese energetic medicine - rid the body of toxic pathogens and painful emotions

Contact: (810) 813-4073 or gary@energeticarts.org

Men's Bible study

Time/Date: Breakfast at 7 a.m. and study at 8 a.m.

Location: Kirby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty, Northville Township

Contact: John Shulenberg at (734) 464-9491

New Life Community Church

Time/Date: Jobs seminar; 8-9 a.m., Fridays; reading program for students in grades K-12 and martial arts instruction, both at 10 a.m., Sundays

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Association party mixes business and pleasure

Fun was on the agenda Dec. 16 when the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors held its annual holiday party.

"This time we just had a good time," said Dale E. Smith, executive vice president of WWOCAR, of the event held at American Legion Post 32 on Newburgh in Livonia. WWOCAR had done a charitable bowling fund-raiser for the Farmington-Farmington Hills Foundation for Youth and Families in the spring.

The December party drew just over 200. "We had a lot of Realtors," Smith said. "We had a lot of people related to our businesses," including bankers and attorneys.

Fun was mixed with business talk as industry leaders look to 2011 and improvement in the housing market. "We have a lot of hope for what's going to be coming down the road," he said. A new governor of either party brings change.

"We have some hope that some of the programs in Michigan will be revitalized," Smith said. He noted home sales are comparable to the past but values have declined.

"They're coming back slowly but surely but they'll take a while," he said.

By Julie Brown



Cleveland Jackson of Brown Realty and Roxanne Fitzpatrick of Keller Williams Farmington Hills share a smile at the WWOCAR party in Livonia.



Nancy Austin of Keller Williams Ann Arbor, Sheila Grimes-Bhirdo of Coldwell Banker Preferred and Johnie Galens of Century 21 MJL catch up on happenings at the WWOCAR holiday party.



Jean Paul Pilot of P.R.O.S. Home Inspections, Neil McCloskey of Coldwell Banker Weir Manuel, and Jeff Zyck of CUTCO enjoy their time together at the recent WWOCAR party.

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Law's aim: Protect brokers

Q: I understand that commercial brokers now have a lien on the property to satisfy their commissions. Do you have any information on that?

A: Michigan Public Act No. 201 of 2010 (Commercial Real Estate Broker's Lien Act) was signed by Gov. Jennifer Granholm on Oct. 5, 2010, to protect commercial brokers against losing rightfully earned commissions. The Act allows



Robert Meisner

a lien to be placed on commercial property for nonpayment of the commission. The legislation is intended to prevent future

lawsuits in regard to commissions. The Act only applies to written commission agreements executed after the Act's effective date of Oct. 5, 2010, to "commercial real estate," which is defined as any property that is not: (i) vacant property zoned for single-family use, (ii) property with four or fewer residential units, or (iii) property with more than four residential units if such units are single-family units that are sold, leased, or otherwise conveyed on a unit-by-unit basis.

With respect to leases, a broker may record a lien at any time within 60 days after a lease is signed, which attaches once the tenant takes possession of the property. The statute of limitations for a broker's lien is one year after the attachment of the lien and the parties can escrow an amount sufficient to satisfy the lien so that the buyer or seller cannot refuse to close a transaction due to the escrow account requirement. An escrow account is not required if either (i) alternative procedures are available that will allow the transaction to close and are acceptable to all of the parties to the transaction, or (ii) the proceeds from the transaction are insufficient to satisfy such lien.

Q: Our condominium has a prohibition on exterior attachments to the unit and several of the board members have been upset with pumpkins being put on the porches of our condominiums. I think this is unreasonable and irrational. What do you think?

A: Generally speaking, the Board of Directors has wide latitude in ensuring the aesthetic integrity of the condominium. Of course, that decision making process can be abused and it would appear that prohibiting pumpkins from being placed on the common elements for a limited period of time would be unreasonable unless there is a safety or other legitimate reason for doing so. However, the ultimate decision process rests with the board and your best recourse may be to elect board members who are more receptive to being neighborly.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$1 shipping and handling. He also wrote Condo Living: A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling a Condominium, available for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping and handling. Call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@meisner-associates.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

HOMES SOLD-WAYNE

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Sept. 20-24, 2010, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

Canton	
1316 Aberdeen St	\$125,000
43944 Bannockburn Dr	\$137,000
3571 Brooklyn Dr	\$230,000
6619 Brookshire Dr	\$154,000
8461 Chatham Dr	\$475,000
8504 Chatham Dr # C6	\$525,000
44264 Cherbourg St	\$137,000
110 Cherry Grove Rd	\$165,000
50494 Coolidge St	\$230,000
514 Country Club Ln	\$323,000
45536 Glenagarry Blvd	\$320,000
42260 Gloria Dr	\$152,000
45941 Graystone Ln	\$150,000
368 Harbor St	\$235,000
8683 Holly Dr	\$126,000
385 Innsbrook Dr	\$260,000
46425 Inverness Rd	\$310,000

47822 Jake Ln	\$270,000
42661 Keystone Ln	\$152,000
4018 Kimberly Dr	\$175,000
1583 McInane St	\$334,000
45478 Muirfield Dr	\$288,000
45507 Muirfield Dr	\$305,000
6476 N Beck Rd	\$240,000
6151 Raintree Dr	\$142,000
43431 Saltz Rd	\$308,000
324 Savannah Dr	\$245,000
44455 Savery Dr	\$35,000
45245 Seabrook Dr	\$280,000
41543 Singh Dr	\$225,000
131 Village Way	\$87,000
1302 W Crystal Cir	\$185,000

Garden City	
623 Belton St	\$55,000
29624 Cambridge St	\$73,000
31424 Leona St	\$52,000
33025 Pierce St	\$40,000
32917 Rosslyn Ave	\$74,000
28945 Rush St	\$76,000
6567 Sterling Ct	\$110,000

Livonia	
33063 Six Mile Rd	\$100,000
14169 Bainbridge St	\$115,000

18285 Brentwood St	\$70,000
14305 Cranston St	\$164,000
37479 Eagle Dr	\$50,000
11025 Fairfield St	\$90,000
11327 Fairfield St	\$126,000
14824 Fairway St	\$139,000
29150 Five Mile Rd	\$255,000
18661 Floral St	\$56,000
18515 Foch St	\$112,000
18160 Glengarry Dr	\$278,000
14108 Golfview St	\$119,000
14555 Huff St	\$70,000
9250 Merriman Rd	\$95,000
39025 Orangelawn St	\$104,000
19902 Rensellor St	\$38,000
35274 Schoolcraft Rd	\$124,000
9071 W Deborah Ct	\$153,000
20059 Wayne Rd	\$223,000
30295 Westfield St	\$79,000

Northville	
16958 Boulder Dr	\$339,000
20050 Bryn Mawr Ct	\$45,000
15732 Crystal Downs E	\$500,000
40590 Delta Dr	\$315,000
46572 Greenridge Dr	\$309,000
16084 Morningside	\$110,000

16316 Mulberry Way	\$20,000
17808 Parkshore Dr	\$1,200,000
340 Pennell St	\$100,000
17313 Rolling Woods Cir	\$429,000
42623 Savoy Ct	\$65,000
44632 Spring Hill Rd	\$490,000
16318 White Haven Dr	\$220,000
15828 Winding Creek Ct	\$466,000
Plymouth	
8897 Ball St	\$195,000
44542 Brookside Rd	\$235,000
41443 E Ann Arbor Trl	\$85,000
13800 Fawn Woods Ct	\$349,000
50403 Fellows Hill Dr	\$500,000
49204 Hunt Club Ct	\$375,000
738 Kellogg St	\$53,000
42430 Lakeland Ct	\$117,000
11888 Lorenz Way	\$288,000
11221 Maple Ridge Dr	\$510,000
1294 Maple St	\$330,000
565 McKinley St	\$420,000
40718 Newport Dr	\$61,000
44425 Oregon Trl	\$128,000
305 Riveroaks Dr	\$129,000
11811 Talltree Dr	\$260,000
50212 Top Of Hill Dr	\$480,000

Redford	
17632 Centralia	\$58,000
17729 Centralia	\$30,000
15906 Delaware Ave	\$43,000
15861 Knight	\$52,000
11664 Marion	\$75,000
9191 Nathalie	\$54,000
9987 Rockland	\$50,000
8923 San Jose	\$59,000
Westland	
37101 Amhurst Dr	\$84,000
30869 Cherry Hill Rd	\$54,000
35243 College St	\$128,000
35714 Columbia St	\$40,000
308 Ethan Dr	\$150,000
29455 Hanover Blvd	\$19,000
8580 N Hubbard St	\$132,000
1424 S Berry St	\$72,000
151 S Crown St	\$55,000
1568 S Dowling St	\$110,000
433 S Marie St	\$83,000
34331 Somerset St	\$80,000
34046 Tomahawk Dr	\$89,000

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Canton	
49529 Garfield Ln	\$389,000
1712 Nowland Ct	\$195,000

45037 Seabrook Dr	\$276,000
Garden City	
30941 Elmwood St	\$72,000
673 Inkster Rd	\$170,000
29205 Rosslyn Ave	\$36,000
Livonia	
29985 Curtis Rd	\$174,000
17326 Doris St	\$100,000
17730 Fairfield St	\$193,000
18928 Filmore St	\$20,000
20694 Laurel Ct	\$45,000

31424 Merriwood Park Dr	\$89,000
18009 University Park Dr	\$62,000
18467 University Park Dr	\$45,000
Northville	
745 Randolph St	\$90,000
41696 Rayburn Dr	\$248,000
19991 Seabrook Ct	\$76,000
Plymouth	
48571 E Normandy Ct	\$337,000
Redford	
17708 Brady	\$26,000

9207 Dixie	\$49,000
24650 Donald	\$55,000
19991 Garfield	\$42,000
Westland	
32756 Mackenzie Dr	\$35,000
7335 N Middlebelt Rd	\$400,000
477 Ravencrest Ln	\$82,000
463 S Bryar St	\$173,000
30893 Steinhauer St	\$64,000

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Beverly Hills	
21747 Gates St	\$230,000
Bingham Farms	

31282 Old Stage Rd	\$250,000
30505 Timberbrook Ln	\$215,000
Birmingham	
969 Bannville Ave	\$402,000
1709 E 14 Mile Rd	\$27,000
911 Smith Ave	\$450,000
1726 Stanley Blvd	\$120,000
622 Vinewood Ave	\$660,000
1440 Webster St	\$268,000
Bloomfield Township	
6715 Birmingham Club Dr	\$610,000
3775 Millspring Rd	\$259,000

Commerce Township	
3418 Circle Dr	\$217,000
Farmington Hills	
37600 Amber Dr	\$130,000
23963 Creekside Dr	\$81,000
28540 Golf Pointe Blvd	\$252,000
28272 Secluded Ln	\$295,000
21513 Wheeler St	\$100,000
21640 Wheeler St	\$51,000
Franklin	
30460 Stonegate Dr	\$640,000
Lathrup Village	

28807 Somerset Pl	\$114,000
Milford	
300 Wilderness Lake Ct	\$480,000
Novi	
23432 Argyle St	\$450,000
41801 Primrose Dr	\$100,000
50002 Streamwood Dr	\$212,000
42700 W 10 Mile Rd	\$235,000
42638 Whitman Way	\$228,000
South Lyon	
297 Ash Ct	\$165,000
22985 Clarkshire Dr	\$180,000

57730 Drake Ct	\$342,000
Southfield	
27715 Aberdeen St	\$100,000
25041 Champaign Dr	\$35,000
19811 Dorset St	\$62,000
30800 Pierce St	\$107,000
25230 Southfield Rd	\$85,000
25520 Southwood Dr	\$97,000
20360 Winchester St	\$80,000
White Lake	
8450 Jamestown Dr	\$303,000

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Birmingham	
996 Chester St	\$728,000
400 Hamilton Row	\$440,000
1481 Hazel St	\$110,000
1694 Holland St	\$410,000
411 S Old Woodward Ave	\$118,000
806 Smith Ave	\$460,000

Bloomfield Hills	
1275 Kensington Rd	\$380,000
Bloomfield Township	
7190 Cathedral Dr	\$176,000
443 Henley Dr	\$144,000
1924 Heron Ridge Dr	\$1,460,000
2770 Mackintosh Ln	\$278,000
1525 N Cranbrook Rd	\$963,000
1310 Sandringham Way	\$565,000
3141 Woodcreek Way	\$530,000
Commerce Township	
1750 Fenwick Dr	\$50,000
1785 Fenwick Dr	\$55,000
2175 Glen Iris Ct	\$173,000

Farmington	
22746 Clear Lake Dr	\$233,000
24410 Farmington Rd	\$100,000
28753 Hidden Trl	\$234,000
29855 High Valley Ct	\$205,000
37464 Legends Trail Dr	\$228,000
25488 Ranchwood Ct	\$225,000
33481 Stocker St	\$139,000
Farmington Hills	
32432 Heatherstone Dr	\$185,000
Milford	
208 Cumberland Trl	\$760,000
855 Panorama Dr	\$86,000
Novi	
42056 Borchart Dr	\$290,000

42890 Clay Ct	\$260,000
25541 Dogwood Ln	\$475,000
25905 Glenmoor	\$325,000
2215 Novi Rd	\$160,000
South Lyon	
26100 Daria Cir W	\$60,000
1137 Polo Dr	\$160,000
26731 York Ct	\$226,000
Southfield	
18811 Alhambra Ave	\$160,000
28227 Fontana Dr	\$60,000
18444 Glenwood Blvd	\$125,000
25660 Southwood Dr	\$115,000
White Lake	
8137 Vanden Dr	\$125,000

REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

Career Seminar

There will be a Real Estate Career Seminar 6:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20, at Keller Williams Realty, 40600 Ann Arbor Road, Suite 100, Plymouth. For more information, contact: Lesley Aiello at (734) 459-4700 or laiello@kw.com.

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- 14 Look at amorously
- 15 Santa — winds
- 16 Alert (hyph.)
- 18 Talking birds
- 20 Hydrocarbon suffix
- 21 Jab playfully
- 24 Locate, perhaps
- 28 "Simpsons" kid
- 31 Gun owner's org.
- 33 Not barefoot
- 34 Pub pint
- 35 Regal emblem
- 36 Forty-niner's quest
- 37 Where Anna met a king
- 39 Util. bill

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- 40 Gayle's sis
- 41 Famed violin
- 43 Display model
- 45 — -tzu ("Tao" author)
- 47 Garret toiletry
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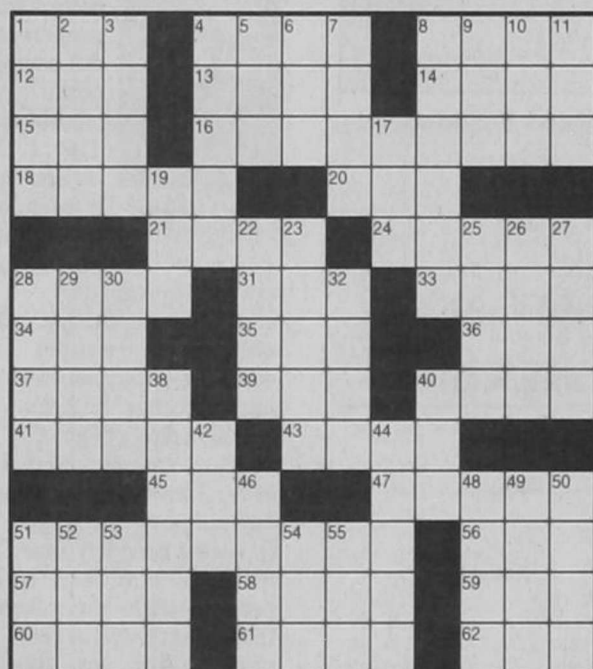
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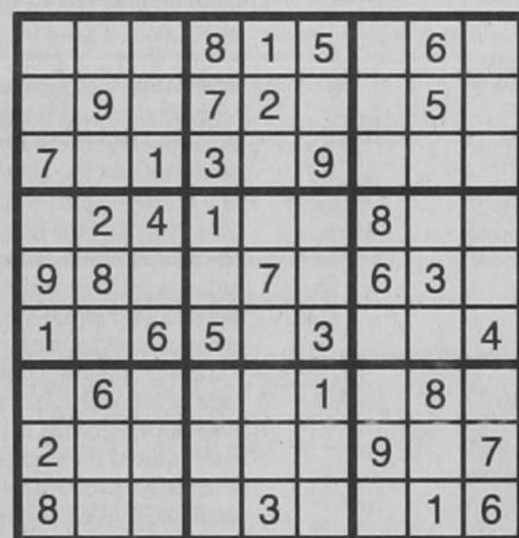
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- 19 Unusually bright
- 22 Cluster
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- 25 Hello, matey!
- 26 Crib filler
- 27 Jeannie portrayer
- 28 Quartet member
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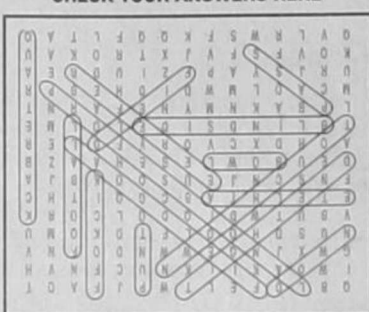
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