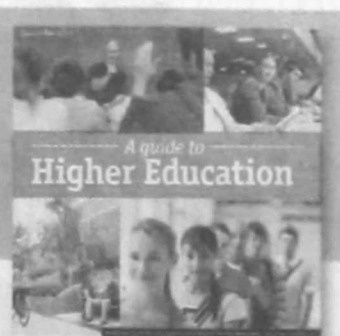




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Trustee pick

Canton Township officials received 18 applications from residents hoping to replace former Trustee Todd Caccamo on the township's Board of Trustees.

Caccamo, who served nearly seven years, resigned last month



LaJoy

due to increased job responsibilities with GE Aviation. His departure prompted the first search to fill a vacancy since Supervisor Phil LaJoy, then a trustee, resigned in late 2002 after winning election to the state House 21st District seat.

LaJoy said the township board tentatively expects to interview finalists for the post during a 7 p.m. meeting Tuesday, Sept. 20. Applicants will likely be given time to make individual presentations before submitting to questions from the board, LaJoy said.

The decision is likely to be announced during a board meeting at 7 p.m. Sept. 27. The chosen applicant will likely be sworn in and begin duty at the township's first October meeting, currently scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11.

Over a barrel

The Alliance of Rouge Communities hosts a Rain Barrel Truckload sale 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17, at the Westland Department of Public Services, located at 37137 Marquette Road.

The 55-gallon barrels are valued at \$150 but will be sold for \$60, tax included. Please note a \$1.50 from each rain barrel sale will benefit the ARC.

For more information on the sale, call (734) 272-0291 or visit www.allianceofrougecommunities.com.

District settles with teachers, other unions

By Brad Kadrach
Observer Staff Writer

When the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education passed its 2011-12 budget in June, balancing it by using nearly all of the district's fund balance, board members said there was more work to do, including getting concessions from teachers in contract negotiations.

On Tuesday, they got them, rat-

ifying a one-year contract that includes some \$4.5 in concessions — largely in health-care costs — and a shift in the district's step program for teachers.

The teachers' contract was one of four the board approved Tuesday, getting another \$1.2 million in savings from them in the process. The board extended the contracts of five other bargaining units until the end of the year.

"These settlements prove our employees are willing to do their part to help our district in these difficult times," interim Supt. Dr. Jeremy Hughes said. "The money saved in these contracts will be returned to the general fund balance and will be used to help educate the children of this community."

Ken Fistler, president of the Plymouth-Canton Education Association, wasn't available for

comment.

In addition to the contract with the teachers, the board settled agreements with the operating engineers, licensed technicians, custodial/maintenance workers and para-pros. It extended contracts for cafeteria workers, garage and security staff, plant engineers, clerical workers and non-affiliated administrators.

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Dr. Mahmood Hai holds the 9/11 memorial flag so Howard Young can photograph the name of Joshua Rosenthal, who died in the collapse of the twin towers. Joshua, who grew up in Livonia and graduated from Stevenson High School, lived in New York City. His dad, Skip Rosenthal, now lives in Israel, but lived in Farmington. Young, of Livonia, intends to e-mail the photo to Skip Rosenthal.

Event hopes to foster unity

By Brad Kadrach
Observer Staff Writer

To those who would pin blame for the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, on any Muslim just because the men who hijacked four airliners that day were Muslim, Dr. Syed Taj would point out what he considers the obvious.

Muslims were among the police officers, firefighters and first-responders that day and, more importantly, a number of them were among the victims.

His point? We're all in this together.

"A number of the people killed that day were Muslims," said Taj, a mem-

ber of the Canton Township Board of Trustees. "If we don't learn to work together, we're still going to be afraid of each other. We want to work to dispel that."

Taj was one of several speakers at Sunday's 9/11 observance sponsored by the Muslim Community of Western Suburbs at the Canton Mosque.

Drawing together

The observance was designed to promote understanding and dispel such misconceptions in hopes of drawing together people from diverse religions.

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REMEMBRANCE OF 9/11

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Our resolve as Americans, to the world we do show.

— Annette Abdul Hai

Canton hires Chevron for energy audit

By Darrell Clem
Observer Staff Writer

In the latest effort to slash spending, Canton's elected leaders agreed Tuesday to hire Chevron Energy Solutions Co. to perform an audit of all township-owned properties and to explore ways to reduce costs for gas, electric and water usage.

The study could potentially be completed by year's end, and it could lead to a longer-term contract with Chevron to develop energy conservation measures intended to reduce utility costs.

The project, spearheaded by Canton Leisure Services and approved Tuesday by the township board, follows earlier efforts such as installing energy-saving lighting around certain township properties.

Leisure Services Director Debbie Bilbrey-Honsowetz said the decision to hire Chevron to conduct an energy audit during the next two to three months could lead to efforts to reduce the \$2,170,000 Canton paid last year for electric, gas and water usage at township-owned properties.

Chevron offered the lowest bid, \$34,400, among seven companies that made offers for the energy usage audit.

If local officials choose to move forward with recommendations from Chevron's audit, the \$34,400 will be rolled over into a longer-term contract that ultimately should lead to cost-cutting measures and savings, officials say.

Supervisor Phil LaJoy outlined the proposal during Tuesday's board meeting, saying Chevron would help the township pay for the longer-term contract by financing it with guaranteed utility cost reductions projected over time, typically a 10-year period.

Moreover, Canton expects it could pay the Chevron tab and still realize substantial utility cost savings. Some estimates have indicated the township could

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District fires Schepansky in wake of gun charge

By Brad Kadrich
Observer Staff Writer

Plymouth High School history teacher Ray Schepansky, on an unpaid leave of absence since an April incident for which he was arrested for carrying a concealed weapon, has been fired by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education.

Board members voted 5-0 to fire Schepansky, district officials confirmed Monday. The action was taken following a closed-door meeting of the board Thursday.

The district's director of community relations, Frank Ruggirello, confirmed the firing Monday, but said the district "would have no further comment."

Ken Fistler, president of the Plymouth-Canton Education Association, the union that represents the teachers, said Schepansky chose to use his own lawyer rather than have union representation. Fistler said the union would have no comment on the proceedings.

Schepansky, a popular history teacher perhaps best known for the "war game" simulation he taught, currently faces a charge of carrying a concealed weapon stemming from an incident in April on the driveway leading to Plymouth High School. Three other charges — carrying a weapon with unlawful intent, carrying a weapon in a school zone and possessing a firearm when committing or attempting to commit a felony — were dismissed earlier this year by 35th



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The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education has fired history teacher Ray Schepansky, who has been on an unpaid leave of absence since his April arrest on gun charges.

District Court Judge Mike Gerou. However, Wayne County prosecutors have asked Judge David Allen to reinstate those charges. A hearing is set for Wednesday, Sept. 28, in Allen's courtroom.

Schepansky was arrested April 14 after he was found to have an unloaded 9mm Beretta handgun in his Kia. He had pulled over on

the driveway leading into Plymouth High School off of Beck Road, a couple of hundred feet away from Beck. Canton Police made the arrest after finding the gun beneath the driver's seat.

Gerou dismissed the carrying a weapon with unlawful intent because it was brought based on statements colleagues allegedly heard Schepansky make, but which Gerou felt "no one took seriously" because they were never reported to any authorities. He dismissed the charge of carrying a weapon in a school zone because the spot where Schepansky was stopped, some 200 feet into the drive off Beck, was too far removed from Plymouth High School to meet the state's definition of school property.

And he dismissed the fourth count, possessing a firearm while committing or attempting to commit a felony, because no underlying felony charge in the case could sustain this count.

Maria Miller, director of communications for the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office, said the reason they're asking Allen to reinstate the charges is simple: they believe Gerou was wrong.

"We believe the lower court made an error," Miller said. "The law allows us to go before the court to ask we be allowed to reinstate the charges based upon the facts and evidence produced at the preliminary hearing."

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Canton hosts its own 'Amazing Race'

Fans of TV's "Amazing Race" won't want to miss Canton's very own version of this special challenge where intellect, passion and drive can land racers in first place. Those who are up for this local race, hosted by Canton Leisure Services, are being encouraged to sign up quickly.

Teams of two will compete against each other on Saturday, Oct. 8, in a series of challenges scheduled throughout Heritage Park, the Summit on the Park, and other Canton locations starting at 10 a.m. Event day sign-in will take place at the Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton.

Participants strive to arrive first at the finish line by following fun clues, tackling tricky tasks and completing crafty challenges that are associated with Canton's history and heritage. Team registration fee is \$50 for Canton residents and \$75 for non-residents. Fee includes T-shirts and finishers' celebration. Teams must register by Sept. 23.

Participants must be at least 18 years old. Please register one person as the main team contact. Once registered, teams will be mailed additional information. Sign up can be done at www.cantonfun.org.

For more information about Canton's Amazing Race, contact the Health and Wellness office at (734) 394-5361 or visit www.cantonfun.org.

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reduce its costs by as much as 15 percent.

However, Trustee Pat Williams urged caution as Canton moves forward with the project.

"It could be a good thing. It could be a bad thing," he said. "Just be cautious."

The latest effort to trim spending follows numerous efforts to save money, such as trimming spending across all departments and negotiating employee concessions.

The latest financial projections from Finance Director Rick Eva have indicated that Canton's general, police and fire funds could have a combined balance of \$4.6 million by the end of 2012, compared to earlier estimates of a \$14.4 million deficit.

However, Eva and others have said Canton still faces financial difficulties that require belt-tightening — difficulties largely fueled by declining property values.

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Snyder wants second bridge, more tax reform

By Ken Abramczyk
Observer Staff Writer

Gov. Rick Snyder believes Michigan needs a better bridge to Canada and personal property tax reform. He also thinks right-to-work legislation would be a divisive issue.

Snyder spoke to the 11th Congressional District Republicans Monday night at Laurel Manor in Livonia.

Snyder called a second new bridge a financial, business and economic opportunity for Michigan. He said he crunched the numbers while he was running for governor and believes Michigan needs a second bridge, using \$2 billion in federal funds to match the \$550 million offered by the Canadian government.

"It's about jobs and international trade," Snyder said. Snyder said one special interest group has been running television ads criticizing plans for the bridge.

"They are the beneficiary of a lack of competition," Snyder said. The group also was "trying to override the interests of 10 million Michigan residents," Snyder said.

Snyder also spoke about the removal of the Michigan Business Tax, which was greeted with applause from the audience.

Personal property taxes

Snyder said he wanted to work on changing personal property taxes, which he called a major barrier to business. Personal property taxes are a huge source of revenue for local communities.



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State Rep. Kurt Heise said Michigan taxpayers don't have the money to pay for a bridge so funding will have to come from another source.

He expected that will take five to 10 years or longer. "It is imperative that we don't hurt the local jurisdictions and partner with them," Snyder said.

Snyder said right-to-work was not on his agenda, but that it might be on other legislators' agendas.

While he respected those legislators and their opinions, he quickly added that right-to-work is the most divisive issue the state could face if it is raised by state lawmakers. "We saw what happened in Wisconsin," Snyder said.

Snyder wanted lawmakers to think about what they can get done. "We would spend all of our time arguing over that issue," he said.

Snyder would rather work to "change the culture" of the state. "Before we pick a fight with them, let's try to work with them," Snyder said in reference to the public employee unions.

Follow through

Snyder said Republicans enjoyed success at the polls last November and

should be proud of that, then added, "We need to follow through on what we were elected to do. We should do what we said we were going to do."

State Rep. Kurt Heise, R-Plymouth, was one of those Republicans who enjoyed success in November, being elected to his first term.

Heise believes the focus for state lawmakers for the next six months will be on job creation, personal property taxes, medical marijuana and judicial reform.

Heise said eliminating personal property taxes will take five to 10 years and only if replacement revenue is found for local communities. "We need to look at how we fund local governments and school districts," Heise said.

Heise said Michigan taxpayers don't have the money to pay for a bridge so lawmakers need to study whether it should be privately operated, federally funded or a use of Canadian dollars for the project. Heise said Canadians don't want a new Ambassador Bridge,

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The biggest savings came in concessions from teachers, who agreed to start applying the 80-20 rule — capping the district's portion of health coverage at 80 percent and forcing employees to pay 20 percent, which takes effect Jan. 1 — and shifted to a Blue Cross-Blue Shield community program.

According to Monica Merritt, the district's new human resources chief, teachers also agreed to add three levels to the step seniority system and to "equalize" payments through the middle steps. The starting sala-

ry and the top of the scale remain the same.

"The teachers recognized the position the district was in," Merritt said. "All of our unions really stepped up."

The teachers contract is effective Aug. 30 and runs through Aug. 15, 2012. Most of the deals, district officials said, are one-year deals.

Trustees showed their appreciation for the teachers' sacrifices.

"I want to thank this unit," Secretary Judy Mardigan said. "This is a remarkable step toward helping us survive. It's very remarkable, and very much appreciated."

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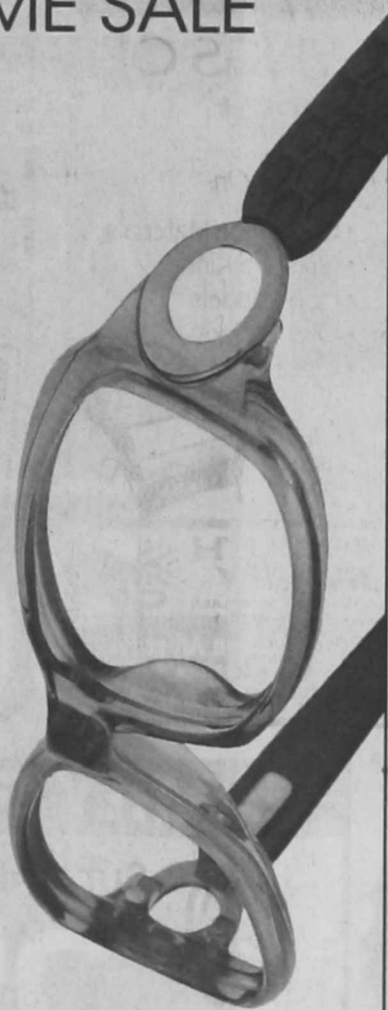
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CRIME WATCH

Apartment break-in

1 A woman notified police after someone broke into her apartment on Honeytree, in Canton Crossings southeast of Joy Road and I-275, between 10 p.m. Sept. 7 and 3:50 p.m. last Thursday.

The woman, who was in the process of moving, came home to find her clothes scattered, food thrown around the apartment and the TV damaged with a hole in it. A night stand also had been damaged.

She went to the bathroom, where she found some of her underwear and shoes in the toilet, where someone had urinated on them.

The incident remained under investigation.

Funny money

2 Canton police went to the Emagine Theater southeast of Ford and Lotz about 4:30 p.m. Sunday following reports a family had gone into the theater after buying tickets with money that included a counterfeit \$20 bill.

A manager told police the family was still watching a movie. The manager brought the father from the theater to the lobby. He told police he had earlier been on Detroit's east side and had used a \$50 bill at a gas station where he received change, including a \$20 bill. He told police he didn't realize the bill was counterfeit.

Police took the fake bill into evidence.

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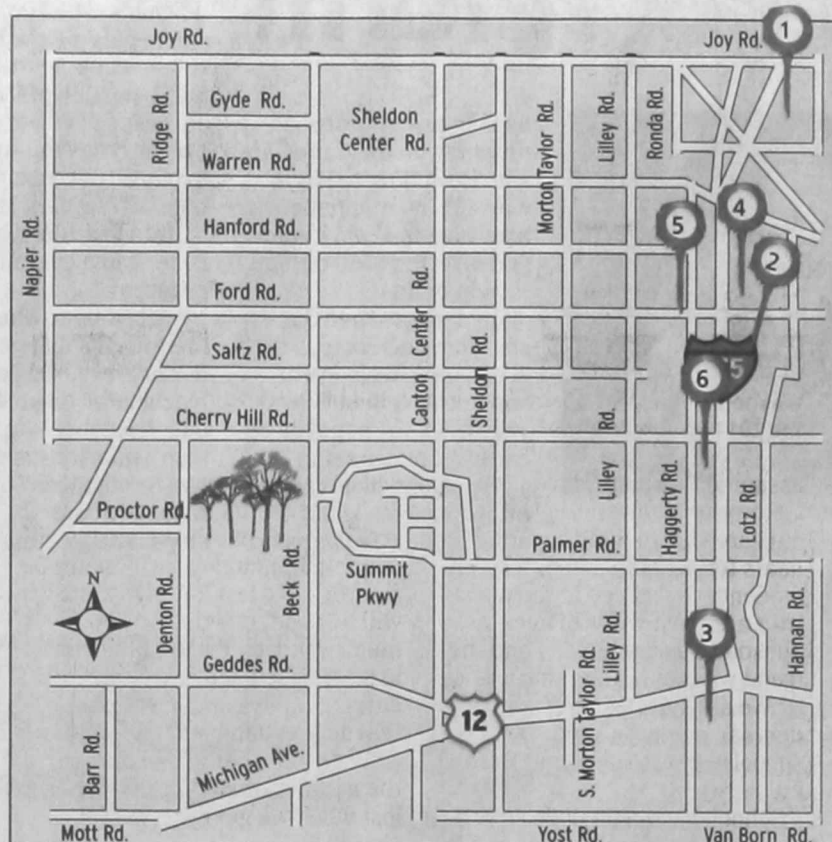
3 A woman who lives in Westpoint Manor, a mobile home park southeast of Michigan Avenue and Haggerty Road, apparently made good on a threat she made to police to hit a man she knew with her cane for allegedly stealing from her home.

The incident happened about 3 p.m. Monday.

Police went to see the woman on Old Michigan, and she told them she would like to see the man arrested. She said he had taken items from her when he lived at her residence.

She was advised to contact the detective bureau.

Still upset, the woman told police she would hit the man with her



cane. As officers were looking into the woman's claims, she left, and within minutes a man came to officers and told them that the woman had, indeed, struck the man she had threatened to hit.

Police talked with the man, who didn't want to prosecute her.

Car copping

4 A man contacted police to report that his 2004 Ford Taurus was rummaged while it was parked at the Walmart store northeast of Ford and Lotz between 10 p.m. last Thursday and 7 a.m. Friday.

The man, who works at Walmart, told police he may have left the vehicle unlocked. He said someone went inside the Taurus and took his DTE Energy bill and an in-car CD changer tray. He said he had parked on the southern end of the lot.

Mistaken identity

5 A case of mistaken identity had a man in Canton police custody, though only briefly.

Canton police pulled over a Saturn about 1 a.m. Friday after

believing they had spotted a stolen car traveling westbound on Ford near Haggerty.

Police ran the license plate and it came back as belonging to a stolen car, so they stopped the vehicle and briefly put the driver in handcuffs.

Police called the registered owner of the car, who said it was her husband driving it. The license plate had been replaced by the Secretary of State Office after a similar plate had earlier been stolen along with a different car, a Mercury Marquis, that had been taken in Detroit.

Felony arrest

6 Canton police turned a male suspect over to Ann Arbor police after they went to Northwind, southeast of Cherry Hill and Haggerty, to arrest him on a felony warrant.

The incident happened about 1:40 a.m. Sept. 7.

The man was wanted for a felony warrant out of Ann Arbor for resisting arrest.

— Compiled by Staff Writer Darrell Clem from Canton Police Department reports

Men get probation in rest-stop theft

By Darrell Clem
Observer Staff Writer

Two defendants who had been accused of posing as police officers and taking money from two men at the I-275 rest stop in Canton have been placed on probation after pleading to only one of five charges against them, according to the Michigan Department of Corrections.

Christopher James Kish, 31, of Livonia, and Bruce Jacob Norton, a 25-year-old Tennessee man, received two years probation during their sentencing Sept. 2 in Wayne County Circuit Court.

The men, who had spent some time in jail after their arrest for the July 21 incident, could remain free as long as they obey court orders not to violate any more laws and not to leave the state without permission.

The pair also has to report for monthly probation appointments, notify authorities of any change of address and pay certain fees and court costs.

By accepting a plea to a single count of larceny from a person, Kish and Norton avoided what potentially could have been a 15-year prison term if they had been convicted as originally charged with two counts of unarmed robbery, an

additional count of larceny and one count of impersonating a police officer.

Their pleas brought a swift conclusion to a 3:30 a.m. July 21 incident that led to their case going to circuit court following a preliminary examination in early August in 35th District Court.

Canton police reports have indicated the two suspects approached two men at the I-275 rest stop, revealed a badge, claimed they were police officers investigating suspicious behavior, walked the victims to their vehicles, searched the men and took their money.

Canton police quickly captured the suspects after receiving a phone call from a witness who observed what was described as a suspicious situation at the rest stop.

The two men had originally been ordered jailed with \$25,000 cash bonds, according to 35th District Court.

Canton police reports indicated that a badge of some sort was shown to the victims. According to police, the victims were told they were being searched because police needed to scour the area to look for drugs and money.

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NEWCOMERS MEETING

Date/Time: Wednesday, Oct. 5, 7:15 p.m.

Location: Sunflower Clubhouse, 45800 Hanford, Canton

Details: The Canton Newcomers and Neighbors Club hosts Linda Robin of Showroom of Elegance discussing "Caring for one of your BFF's - your jewelry!" On site inspections available. The club will also be welcoming Joy Shields from 31 Gifts, Olga's Kitchen bringing a tasty treat, a raffle to benefit a local charity for a cool prize, and signups for interest groups including Book Club, Parade Company Walking Tour, Ladies Bunko, Let's Do Dinner, Couples Social and more.

Contact: RSVP to Noreen at nrybar@yahoo.com or 734 981 0486. For more information, visit www.canton-newcomersandneighbors.org

AAUW MEETING

Date/Time: 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 22

Location: Hoben Elementary School (Salz Road between Sheldon and Canton Center).

Details: The Plymouth/Canton branch of the American Association of University Women hosts its monthly meeting. The meeting, titled "Not Your Mother's Tie-dye," will feature Emily Sharpe who will share her experiences joining a start-up company that specializes in a new form of tie-dyeing. Appetizers and desserts will be served.

Contact: For more information contact Becky Coppenhaver at bgcopenhaver@yahoo.com or (734) 981-6023.

SALEM CHEER

Date/Time: Saturday, Sept. 24, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Location: Salem High School gym, 46191 Joy in Canton

Details: The Salem High School cheer team presents "Kid Camp 2011." The \$50 cost includes clinic, snack, a T-shirt and backpack. Campers are invited to cheer with the team for the first half of the Salem vs. Stevenson football game Friday, Oct. 7. Campers should wear comfortable shirt, shorts and gym shoes.

Contact: Dee Bryan, (734) 673-4329, or Kelissa Nordstrom, (734) 397-4562, or e-mail salemcoaches@gmail.com

HEALTH SEMINAR

Date/Time: Saturday, Sept. 17, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Location: Muslim Community of Western Suburbs gym, 40440 Palmer (northwest corner, Palmer and Lotz)

Details: MCWS is holding its sixth annual Health Seminar. Admission is free and everyone is welcome to attend. There will be lectures on healthy living and disease prevention throughout the day, free blood sugar testing, free doctor consultations, free ECG testing, CPR training and blood cholesterol testing by Garden City hospital staff for \$10. Breakfast and Lunch will be served at no cost. Babysitting will be provided free of cost as well. Register online at <http://www.mcws.org/workshop>

Contact: For more information contact Dr. Sohail Hassan, (734) 788-4166, or e-mail soli786@yahoo.com.

DESIGNER SHOW HOUSE

Time/Date: 6:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 23

Location: 800 Griswold, Northville

Details: Visit with the designers; seek their advice; small plate strolling dinner, silent auction and signature cocktail. Advance RSVP required. The self-guided home tour of five Northville area homes will be 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24 with the last-chance tour from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 25. Sponsored by American Association of University Women Northville-Novi and hosted by Dr. William Demray, DDS.

Contact: www.aauwnn.org

W-W expects enrollment to decline

By Sue Mason
Observer Staff Writer

While the exact number of students in the Wayne-Westland Community Schools for the 2011-12 school year won't be known until count day later this month, Superintendent Greg Baracy expects to see a continuing decline in enrollment.

The big question is just how many students the district has lost since the last school year.

"The preliminary numbers for kindergarten schools of choice is down a little bit because other school districts like Garden City have implemented all-day kindergarten," he said. "But we'll have a better handle on the loss two-three weeks into the school year."

School officials are well aware that families are continuing to move out of Michigan or move in with relatives because of the state's continuing economic crisis. In fact, the 2011-12 budget that was approved by the school board in June include an



Wayne-Westland school officials expect to see a decline in enrollment for the 2011-2012 school year.

assumed loss of 162 students.

However, as of this week, parents are still registering students for school. There were 110 students registered at the district administrative offices last Tuesday through Friday and the trend was continuing this week.

"We always pick up 300 students from the first day of school to count day," said Baracy.

School districts will do an offi-

cial count on Wednesday, Sept. 28. Those numbers will represent 90 percent of a blended count that includes enrollment figures done last February and will be used to determine how much a school district receives in state school aid. The state currently pays out \$7,249 per Wayne-Westland student.

"We'll get a better handle on the number of students we've lost when we get requests for

student files," Baracy said.

For parents and students, the start of the new school year went well, according to Baracy. The district implemented changes in transportation, communications and dissemination of information that had been recommended by Transition Team.

Put in place as part of last year's reconfiguration of the elementary program, the team looked into problems that arose at the start of the 2010-2011 school year and came up with the recommendations. Bus routes were tweaked and every bus is checked for students. As a result there were "very few hiccups" and buses were on time.

Baracy added that the "biggest calm" was in the upper elementaries at Marshall and Adams.

"We have one whole class that has been there, that added to the good start," he said. "Last year, all of the students and quite a few of the staff were new to those schools."

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Organizers felt Canton and surrounding areas made a good place for such an event, since Canton is home to a mosque, two Hindu temples, a Sikh gurdwara and churches from virtually every religion.

Representatives from a variety of those organizations spoke Sunday.

"We're getting together to learn from the terrible thing that happened," said Mahmood Hai, a member of the Canton Mosque's board of trustees who emceed the event. "We are making bridges between communities and make sure some good comes out of it."

Hai believes good has actually come out of 9/11. He quoted a variety of statistics from a poll published in the September AARP bulletin:

- Some 78 percent said it made them appreciate friends and family more.
 - Some 76 percent said it increased their awareness of events overseas.
 - Some 76 percent said it increased their appreciation of police and firefighters.
 - Some 66 percent said it increased their patriotism, and
 - Some 49 percent said it increased their faith.
- "Tell me," Hai asked the crowd. "Did we lose or did we win?"

The Rev. Bryan Smith of Geneva Presbyteri-

an Church in Canton said he thinks the terrorists failed in their goal, which he said was to make Americans "live as prisoners of fear."

The goal for Americans, he said, should be to do just the opposite.

"It's easy, especially today, to be a prisoner of fear ... and hatred," Smith said. "The greater challenge is to be a prisoner of hope."

Varying opinions

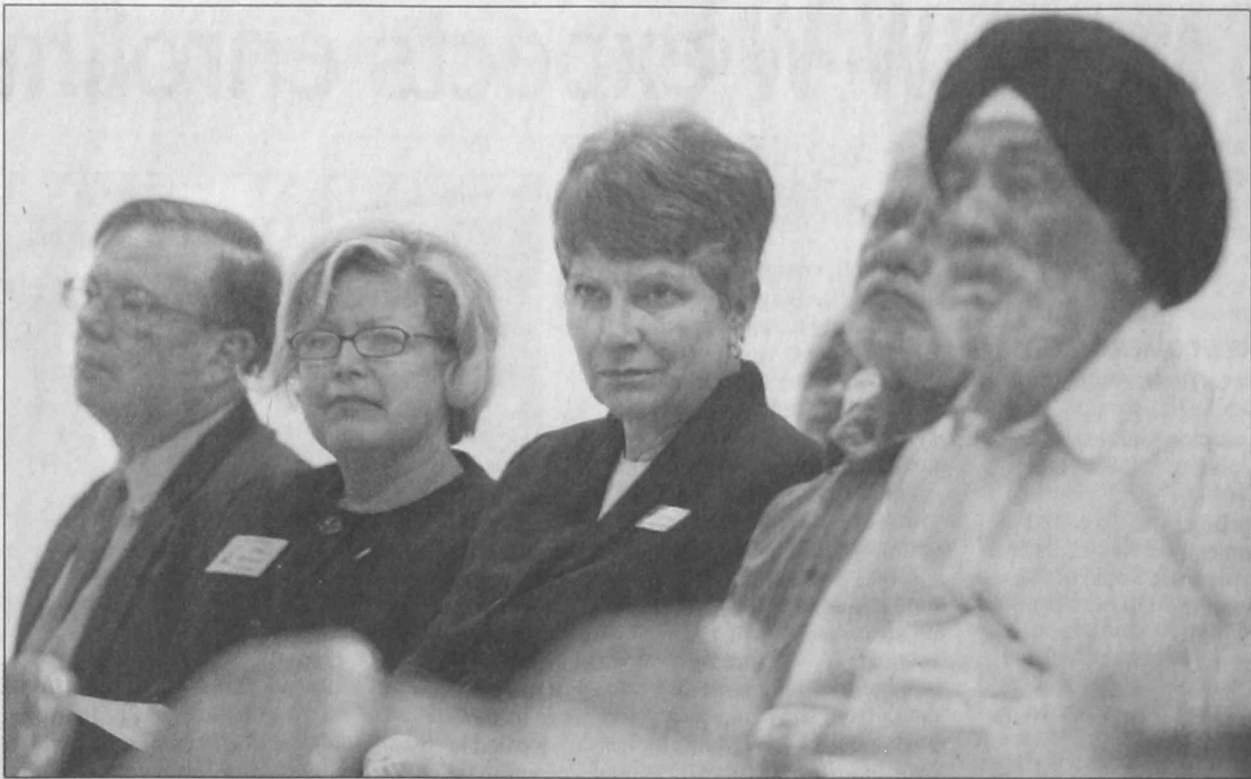
Howard Young of Livonia, who has been involved in issues of tolerance in the past, hoped the event would foster tolerance in everyone, even those with differing opinions.

"I've always taught my children tolerance means someone else's opinion might be just as good as yours," Young said.

What Americans of all religions, faiths, colors and creeds should be striving for, according to Jim Ward, a deacon at St. Thomas a'Becket Catholic Church in Canton, is forgiveness.

"One thing that's clear in the teachings of Jesus is that we are to forgive," Ward said. "More than forgive, we are challenged to love those who have hurt us. If we have experienced forgiveness ourselves, we must extend that forgiveness to others."

Raman Singh of Plymouth's Hidden Falls Sikh gurdwara pointed out that Sikh teachings say there is one God for all



Circuit Court Judge Mark Slavens, state Rep. Dian Slavens, Canton Community Foundation President Joan Noricks and, representing the Canton Sikh Community, Gurbachan Mann and Harpreet Singh listen to the speakers at Sunday's 9/11 observance at the Canton Mosque.

God's creation, and that God is the primal creative force that permeates creation. That being the case, she said, people must "break through the illusion we are separate" from God and separate from each other.

"If we recognize ourselves and God in each other, there will be no room for hatred, anger, jealousy and bigotry," Singh said. "There will only be room for peace, love and acceptance."

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Raman Singh, of Gurdwara Sahib-Hidden Falls in Plymouth, spoke on behalf of the Sikh community.



Eight-year-old Yousef Hussain plays with a balloon as grown-ups give speeches. Behind him, Ayat Nabbus, also 8 years old.

CANTON POLICE AUCTION

These vehicles have been deemed abandoned and will be sold at public auction. The auction will be on Tuesday, September 20th at 10:00 AM. The auction will be held at 6375 Hix, Westland, MI 48185. The vehicles will be sold as is, the starting is for towing and storage.

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Document locator a handy emergency tool

By Rick Bloom
Guest Columnist

While watching the shows commemorating the terrorist attacks on 9/11, I realized that while it was very sad it was also uplifting. Some of the stories about the individual acts of heroism by firefighters, police officers and average citizens who found themselves in a nightmare were inspiring. When I think of 9/11, I don't think of the destruction at the World Trade Center or the Pentagon, I think of the incredible acts of bravery and heroism that we saw that day and the days thereafter.

Sept. 11 also reminds me how fast things change in the world. Because of the uncertainties in life itself, it is important to be prepared for the unexpected. For each one of the victims of 9/11, there was a family that had to carry on after the tragedy. Whether it's a national tragedy like 9/11, Hurricane Irene or whether it's a tragedy that just affects an individual, we can all do things that make moving on a little easier on



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our loved ones. One that I always recommend — and it doesn't require hiring a lawyer or spending any money — is a document locator.

A document locator is nothing more than a document that lists what you have and where it's located. Your family should be able, in case of a tragedy, pull one document and have it act as a road map to where a will, trust, medical powers and durable power of attorneys are located; who are your professional advisors; if you have an attorney, financial adviser, accountant or insurance agent, their names and contact information.

The document locator should also contain a list of where assets are located. If you own any real estate, attach copies of deeds. If you have collectibles that are of value and you've had appraised, it would make sense to attach a copy of the appraisal to the document locator. The bottom line is you would rather have more information in the document locator than less.

A document locator is not something that you do once and forget about. However, at the same time it's not something that you have to constantly update. Looking at it a couple times a year is generally sufficient for most people.

Of course, to make it effective, you have to tell someone where you keep it. You don't necessarily have to tell the entire family but rather, the person or persons that you want to handle your affairs when you can't.

One last note. I've been asked many times if passwords and login information should be included on the document locator. Whether you keep your passwords on your document locator or another place, it makes sense for someone to know where they're located in case of an emergency.

Most people do whatever they can during their lifetime to protect their families. Unfortunately, too many people forget that the responsibility continues past death. A document locator can go a long way to easing the burden on a family. Take the opportunity to compile a document locator so that you're loved ones can be protected and their burden eased in case of a tragedy.

Good luck!

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. Observer & Eccentric readers can submit questions at moneymatters@hometownlife.com. For more information, visit his website at www.bloomassetmanagement.com.

'It is important that we never forget'

Approximately 30 students and staff members of Madonna University gathered for a candlelight vigil Monday night in remembrance of 9/11.

The vigil was the culmination of a number of 10th anniversary events held on the Livonia campus in memory of the nearly 3,000 people killed in the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001.

Other events included a moment of silence at the time of the attack, a prayer service, and a speaker on heroes and patriotism.



PHOTOS BY ALAN PINON
Madonna University student Felicity Tyll holds a candle during a vigil in honor of the victims of 9/11.

Emily Lipe, now a sophomore at Madonna University, was in the fourth grade on Sept. 11, 2001. She remembers her school wouldn't let her class out for recess and she was confused and worried. Class was dismissed early that day and her dad picked her up from school and took her home. She remembers it being scary and confusing.

Madonna student Amber Rafko was just a year older than Lipe when the attacks occurred.

"I remember the whole class was sitting on the floor Indian-style together

in the middle of the room staring at the old boxy TV in the top corner of the room," Rafko said.

"I was wondering why people could be so mean. In my life, I was surrounded by happiness and positive people. This was the first realization that others maybe didn't have that feeling," she said.

Jim Dagostino, a Madonna student who was instrumental in organizing the day's events on campus, said

having these types of services is important, especially for students who were very young when the attacks occurred. "It is important that we never forget those who died and why they died. Freedom has a price, and we must honor those who pay for it," Dagostino said.

Sister Anita Taddonio, who led the candlelight vigil, said, "I thought it was heart-warming for people to be able to remember in a personal way."

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Barbecue on fire with dinner sales

The Rotary Club of Plymouth's annual chicken barbecue, a staple of the Plymouth Fall Festival since the festival's earliest days, perhaps benefitted the most from Sunday's nice weather.

The Rotary, helped by approximately 850 volunteers, sold some 10,500 chicken dinners, not quite a record but the same number as in both 2009 and 2010, and also the third straight sellout, said barbecue committee chairwoman Kay Linville.

"We had a beautiful day," said Linville. "We had a sellout and we had great participation from

the community."

The dinners were sold at Kellogg Park and West Middle School, which was a take-out location, and the chicken was grilled on two 110-foot fire pits.

Many non-Rotarians, including many from booster clubs and service groups associated with the high schools at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park, turn out to help prepare and serve the dinners. Barbecue proceeds go toward Rotary projects such as college scholarships and the purchase of playground equipment.

— By Matt Jachman

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It's a fun ride for 2-year-old Zach Wonsul and his dad, Mark Wonsul of Canton.



Two-year-old Jacob Makara enjoys dad Dave Makara's ear of corn. The Makara family lives in Salem Township.



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There's plenty of chicken on the Rotary fire pits for a hungry Fall festival crowd.

Kayla Zydeck, a Plymouth Pom Squad volunteer, moves a pile of chicken dinners ready for delivery for Sunday's Fall Festival chicken barbecue.



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Mom Traci Lanier of Plymouth takes a shot toward the rim at the games of skill along Main Street. Dad Gary Lanier, 5-year-old Daniel and 3-year-old Sarah watch Mom's skills.



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Old cars on Penniman Avenue attract admirers.

Gia Warner and her dad, Bobby Lewis, entertain at Fall Fest on Sunday.



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At the Plymouth Lions booth, Patrick Clemen and Piasan demonstrate basic leader dog qualities. Jan Crawford, holding Eli, talks about what it's like to raise these dogs from pups, then turn them over to Leader Dogs For The Blind.



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Linnea Garvey of Plymouth Nursery shows a Fat Albert Colorado Spruce, available at the tent sale.

Tent sale offers items to cherish

By Brad Kadrich
Observer Staff Writer

The popularity of the annual tent sale at Plymouth Nursery has waned recently, after years of being one of the longtime Plymouth business' most-sought-after events.

Organizers hope the lagging economy, combined with a variety of good deals, restores the luster to the annual sale, which starts today (Thursday) and runs through Sept. 28.

"They used to be wildly popular, but they've decreased in popularity over the years," Plymouth Nursery owner Jeff Jones said. "It used to be a zoo around here, especially the first few days. In this economy, I'm hoping it will be again."

The tent sale acts as a kind of "clearance" sale for the nursery. Jones said they include "one-of-a-kind, oddball stuff" — boxes, cartons, plants that need a little TLC — and garden store products such as pots that might have a little chip or patio furniture with some small defect that renders it unsalable at full price.

"Plant lovers like the sale because they know these are plants that just need a home and a little fertilizer," Jones said. "The items in the sale are all perfectly fine, it's mostly just things that didn't sell well, or items we over-stocked. It's basically a clearance for all kinds of odds and ends."

What that means for the shopper, of course, is great deals, according to Jones.



Purple Dome Asters from Plymouth Nursery.

NURSERY SALE

What: Plymouth Nursery annual Tent Sale

When: Sept. 15-28

Where: Plymouth Nursery, located on Ann Arbor Road west of Gotfredson

Hours: Plymouth Nursery is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday; 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Details: For more information, call (734) 453-5500

It's also timed with the distribution of the nursery's fall circular, which comes out next week.

So while shoppers can get great bargains on a variety of items early in the tent sale, the fall circular will also include deals as high as 30 or 40 percent on items throughout the nursery, including fresh items such as bulbs, mums and more.

"Most of the plant material will be outside under the tent, but we'll also have items set up throughout the nursery and other things around the greenhouse," Jones said. "It's like a garage sale, where you find that one thing that you'll cherish that no one else wants."

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CANTON CHAMBER CHAT

Consumer expo

The Canton Chamber of Commerce and Canton Downtown Development Authority will present the bi-annual Consumer Expo on Thursday, Sept. 22, at the Summit on the Park. The expo will be held from 5-7:30 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom.

"The Consumer Expo is an initiative of the Canton Chamber of Commerce and the Canton DDA to encourage the public to get to know their business neighbors," said Tracey Rettig, President, Canton Chamber of Commerce. "The expo is a great opportunity to learn firsthand about the businesses in our community. Attendees have the opportunity to meet local business owners and learn about the great products and services they have to offer."

The Consumer Expo is held twice annually in February and September, and features over 50 businesses from the community who display their products and services to the public. Participating businesses include banks, insurance, travel agents, pet services, carpet cleaning, and many more. Each vendor gives away a door prize, admission is free and the expo is open to the public.

The Consumer Expo is sponsored by Atchison Ford Sales, Inc., and Molly Maid.

Chamber breakfast

The Canton Chamber of Commerce is hosting "Breakfast with Phil LaJoy" 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 21, at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit



LaJoy

Parkway in Canton.

The cost for breakfast is \$10 (advance member registration) \$20 (non-member) and includes a full buffet breakfast, beverages and guest speaker presentation. This breakfast is open to the public.

The breakfast will feature guest speaker Phil LaJoy, Canton Township supervisor, talking about Canton happenings and what he sees as Canton's future.

"Breakfast with Phil LaJoy" is hosted by the Canton Chamber of Commerce and is sponsored by Atchison Ford Sales, Inc., PNC Bank and Yazaki North America, Inc.

To make a reservation, contact the Canton Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453-4040.

Culinary event

Schoolcraft College hosts its Culinary Extravaganza fundraiser 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 25, at Schoolcraft's VisTaTech Center, 18600 Haggerty, in Livonia.

The event will be a delightful culinary event featuring metro Detroit's most notable restaurants. This fundraiser benefits the Culinary Arts program and Schoolcraft students. Activities include seminars, food sampling, wine tasting and auctions. Cost is \$50, \$20 of which is deductible.

For more information visit Schoolcraft's website at schoolcraft.edu/foundation/events.

CANTON BUSINESS BRIEFS

Guys night out

Usually it is the ladies who get a night on the town, but Thursday, Sept. 22, belongs to guys only at Canton's Showroom of Elegance.

Showroom of Elegance will host a power hour of jewelry specials from 5-6 p.m., followed up by a free outing to Comerica Park for a Detroit Tigers game. By signing up, all participants will get a free ticket to the game, a spot on the Entertainment Express Limousine & Luxury Coach transportation, and free beer for the ride downtown.

"We wanted to make it a fun night out for guys, but also an opportunity for them to bring something home for the ladies at amazing prices," said Linda Robin, owner of Showroom of Elegance. "You won't strike out with the power hour sale."

For every purchase made between 5 and 6 p.m., buyers will receive 30 percent back as a gift card to use toward future purchases at The Showroom of Elegance. Deals will also include \$250 off all diamond engagement rings the entire night.

Once guys are done with all their purchases, the limo will head toward downtown Detroit where the Tigers will be facing the Baltimore Orioles in a night game. The limo will bring all attendees back to Canton once the game is over. Seating is limited to 25 participants so RSVP with the Showroom of Elegance at (734) 207-1906.

The Showroom of Elegance is located at 6018 N. Canton Center in Canton.

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mercial marketplace."

Patterson has been a licensed residential Realtor since 1986 and started with RE/MAX Classic at that same time. He is currently the vice president and general manager of RE/MAX Classic and will



Patterson

continue in that capacity.

Patterson has also served the community in many areas as Chairman of the Board for the Canton Chamber of Commerce, Chair of the Technology Committee and is a member of the Marketing Partnership with The Canton Township, The Canton Chamber of Commerce and the Downtown Development Authority. He also serves on the Board of Directors for the local Board of Realtors/WWOCAR Western Wayne Oakland County area Realtors.

Beauty boot camp

Canton's Green & Glamorous Upscale Resale Boutique is giving customers and young ladies going to Homecoming or thinking of prom the chance to revamp their look with tips and beauty secrets from experts at the Beauty Boot Camp & Homecoming Fashion Show Sept. 18.

"Every lady should look and feel glamorous this fall, and especially the ones who are going to special and formal events," said Starr Hunt, owner of Green and Glamorous on Ford Road. "The Beauty Boot Camp will be exciting and informative."

The Beauty Boot Camp & Homecoming Fashion Show takes place 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Green & Glamorous in the Red Block in Canton (two doors down from Outback Steakhouse). Special guests include Former Mrs. Michigan Jeanette Greco Pawlowski and Miss Lady of the Lakes 2011, Cameron Learman. Guest will be able to speak with a make-up artist to enhance their individual look, participate in contests and giveaways, enjoy refreshments, and more.

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OUR VIEWS



The Canton Public Library provides a comfortable haven where people can find a good read.

Must have Library cards are tickets to learning for students

Students are back in school. They have pens, pencils, paper, notebooks and a myriad of other supplies needed to be successful this school year.

But they might be missing the most important school supplies of all: A library card. September is Library Card Sign-up Month, a time when the American Library Association and libraries across the country remind parents that a library card is the most important school supply of all.

A library card is free. There are no hidden charges, no payment due every month for the resources it provides students to compete academically. According to the ALA, today's libraries provide all types of students with the tools they need to succeed. They also provide young readers with exciting and engaging programs that make learning fun.

Libraries, in one shape or another, have been around for thousands of years. And libraries, initially small private collections, existed in America from early colonial times. Today there are roughly 9,000 public libraries in the U.S., plus another 8,000, if branch libraries are counted.

Public libraries are considered an essential part of having an educated and literate population. In addition to print books and periodicals, most public libraries today have a wide array of other media including audio books, CDs, cassettes, videotapes, DVDs and video games, as well as facilities to access the Internet and inter-library borrowing of items from other libraries.

In Canton, the Canton Public Library provides other services, such as community meeting rooms, storytelling sessions for infants, toddlers, preschool children or after-school programs. It has become a key ingredient in the job search for unemployed folks looking for work. It has groups that help develop their writing skills, master knitting and chess and reading groups to explore the works of different authors.

The library has also become a cultural hub in the city. It offers movies, lectures and special events highlighting events like the 10th anniversary of 9/11. And lest we forget, one of the most popular programs offered in public libraries are summer reading programs for children, families and adults.

And the first step in accessing the information the library has to offer is by getting a library card. It's easy. Canton residents need only provide proof of residency. Your address on a driver's license or state identification card will suffice.

If your child doesn't have a library card, we urge you to take the time to get one. For more information on how to sign up for a library card, visit the Canton Public Library at 1200 S. Canton Center Road or call (734) 397-0999.

COMMUNITY VOICE

What is metro Detroit's best-kept tourist secret?

We asked this question at the Canton Public Library.



"I would say the Detroit Riverwalk."

Ryan Gilmore
Canton



"Eastern Market. I like that."

Emily Wang
Canton



"Canton, probably. Plymouth and Canton. The Plymouth Whalers are a perfect example."

John Deutschendorf
Canton



"We just got a pass to the University of Michigan Museum of Natural History — so after we go, that might be it."

Kalin Turri
Canton

LETTERS



Maha Zahid and Christina Christenson, Girl Scouts from Troop #40196, collected more than 3,600 donated books for Bennett Elementary School in Detroit as part of their Girl Scout Silver Award.

Book drive thanks

We would like to thank the community for their generous contributions to our book drive that was conducted over the summer. We received more than 3,600 donated books for Bennett Elementary School. We collected the books as part of their Girl Scout Silver Award.

Bennett Elementary, located in Detroit, had a fire that destroyed part of the school, including the library, and caused severe smoke and water damage to the classrooms. The school budget did not allow for replacement of the books lost in this tragedy. Many of the donated books went to each of the 23 classrooms — to establish mini classroom libraries. Many others went to help re-establish the school library.

We wanted to say thank you to everyone that helped in the collection and delivery of the books.

Maha Zahid and Christina Christenson
Girl Scout Troop #40196

No to privatizing

With all that is going on in education, I wonder what would happen if all of the supposedly "overpaid" public school teachers stopped using hundreds of their own dollars each year to purchase additional classroom supplies, supplementary instructional materials, snacks, incentives, paper, card stock, and books for their classroom libraries, as well as gloves, mittens, and school supplies for those who can't afford them.

And what would happen if these teachers could no longer justify paying for six hours of costly graduate and postgraduate college classes over and over again in order to remain highly qualified and up-to-date regarding the best practices of instruction or the latest in brain-based research?

I also wonder what would happen if teachers did not use their "bathroom break" time during afternoon recess to work with struggling learners? Or what if they weren't willing to give up their valuable lunch and/or planning time to call parents in order to keep the much-needed lines of communication open or to collaborate with their grade-

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level colleagues? Additionally, what would happen if teachers stopped staying up until midnight grading, planning, organizing, and creating? I think the answer is clear. If dedicated public school teachers stopped doing all of these "behind the scenes" tasks in order to meet the needs of all students, then Michigan's children and their opportunities to learn and to thrive would certainly come to a screeching halt.

Perhaps Gov. Snyder and our lawmakers don't realize if they continue their push to "privatize" schools and make education in Michigan nothing more than a business, that we will likely begin to see more and more teachers who view this profession as "just a job," who stop working when they walk out the door at 4:00, and who aren't willing to spend their hard-earned wages on the "extras" that make education a more meaningful, enjoyable, and relevant experience for Michigan's students. Summer will also no longer be a time when teachers refresh, renew, explore, and discover new ways to become more effective at inspiring and teaching eager minds. In fact, it's highly possible that quality, highly-trained teachers will decide NOT to stay in the profession because they won't be able to afford the exorbitant costs of continuing education to periodically renew their teacher certification, let alone to pay their bills and keep their heads above water.

Gov. Snyder and his "crew" really need to stop targeting Michigan teachers and instead should turn their focus towards fixing our crumbling roads, building and creating jobs for the unemployed, feeding and clothing hungry children, caring for our environment, cleaning the Great Lakes, and promoting what's good about our great state. It surely makes one wonder why he has such an aggressive (and undeserved) agenda against educators. Privatization is not the answer and it will not result in the kinds of schools and teachers that Michigan students so desperately deserve.

Sharon Jones
proud PCCS educator
Canton

Right to Work works

The Michigan Senate majority leader, Randy Richardville, on the subject of making Michigan a Right to Work state, stated that "I'm not a believer that that's going to transition the economy at this point."

Randy does not have to be a "believer," all he needs to do is read a few statistical reports that show that Right to Work states outperform forced unionized states every single time in job creation. Every state that was Right to Work laws are enjoying substantially higher state income growth and higher private job growth. (<http://aphiemi.wordpress.com/2009/02/20/facts-on-right-to-work-vs-forced-union-states/>)

I think this would be enough for Randy to take a hard look at it, unless of course his campaign fund is being padded by union donations

Phil Solarz
Westland

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cop, God bless you, your loved
ones and America.

William Heffner
Coldwater

Hines Cruise fantastic

The Hines Drive Cruise was wonderful on so many levels! Vintage cars, trucks and other vehicles would cruise awhile, then pull off and hit the food concessions. For the observers, the views were up-close and personal, especially if you chose to ride your bike along with exhibitors.

People brought picnic lunches, lawn chairs and kids, all against a backdrop of trees and birds. While the Dream Cruise is a great event, some of us aren't willing to fight the crowds and deal with parking. This is a fantastic alternative, and a superb use of Hines Park. See you there next year!

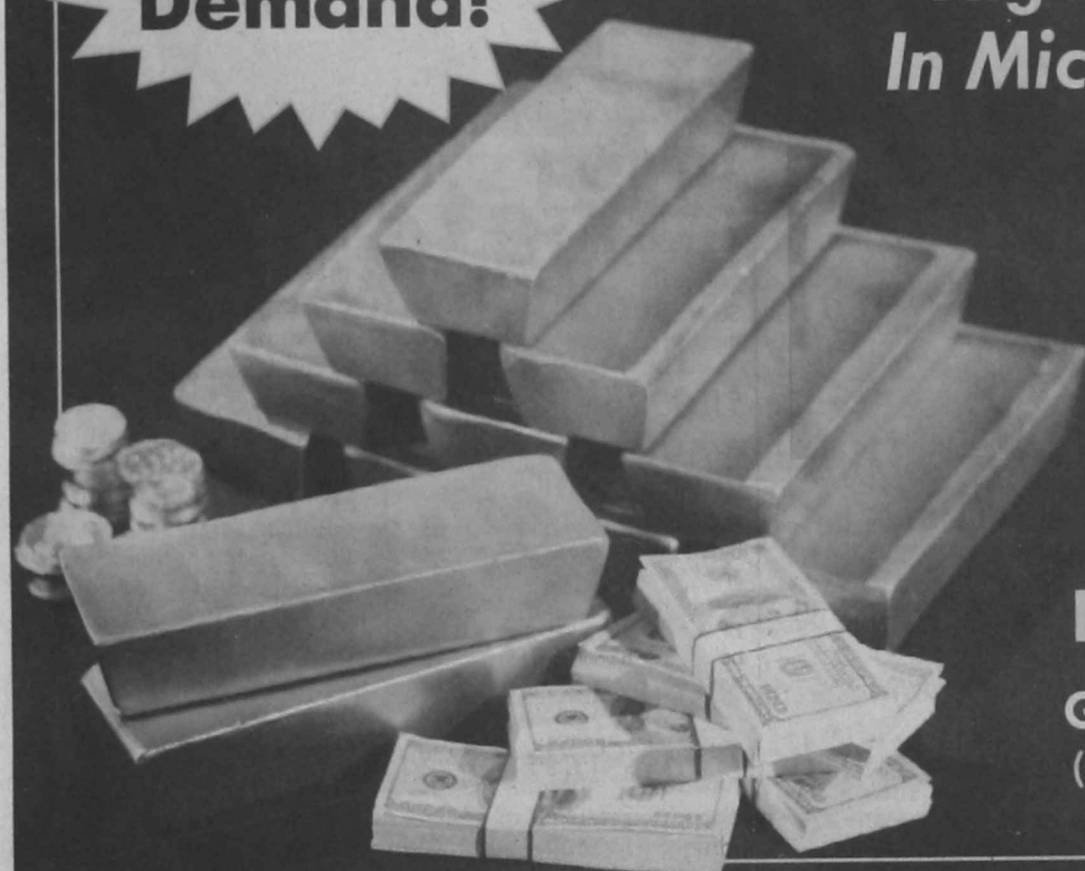
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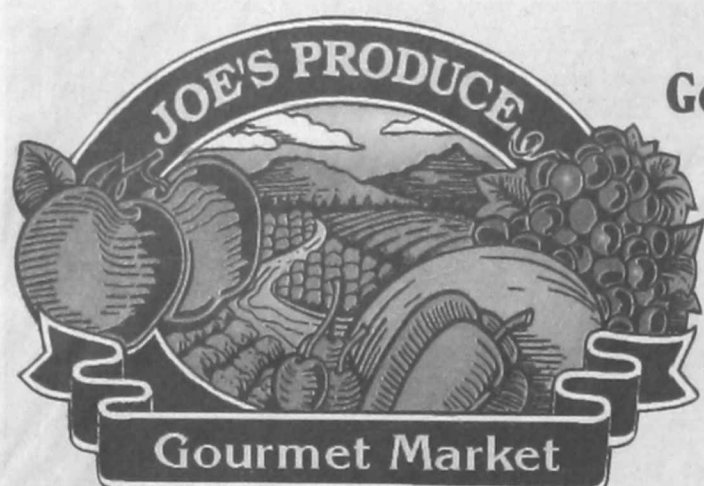
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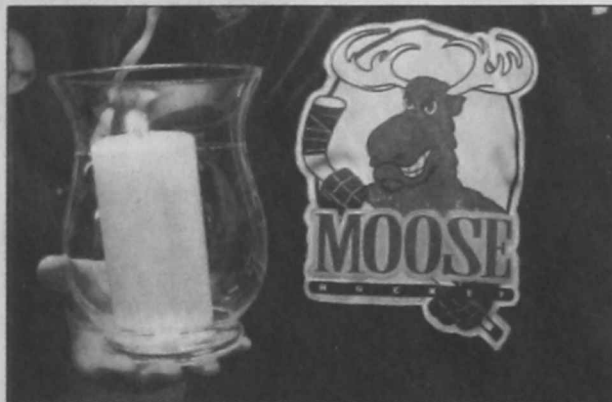
Moose, Ameriprise teams do what they can to remember 9/11 victims

By Tim Smith
Observer Staff Writer

As far as Derek Fowler sees it, his Detroit Moose men's hockey team uses the sport as an excuse to do something good.

Such was the case yet again on Saturday at Compuware Arena in Plymouth as the Moose and Ameriprise Financial — with former NHL players Joe Kocur and Wayne Presley on the ice — hooked up for the 10th annual Remembrance Hockey Game to pay homage to those who lost their lives on 9/11.

The crowd was small, but enthusiastic as the teams went all out in two



SYLVIES PHOTOGRAPHY

Still burning brightly following the game between the Detroit Moose and Ameriprise Financial hockey teams is a remembrance candle, which glowed throughout the Compuware Arena event.

30-minute halves, with Ameriprise earning a 7-4 triumph.

And when Canton res-

ident and Moose captain Fowler skated off follow-

Please see **GAME, B2**

SETTING THE TONE

When spectators entered Compuware Arena for Saturday's Detroit Moose-Ameriprise Financial Remembrance Hockey Game, they were greeted by volunteers for the Michigan Military Moms organization — including Dawn Kaufman of Livonia. "The group itself, it means a lot of support for several troops, it means support for wounded soldiers," Kaufman said. "We're there for them."

But the small crowd disappointed Kaufman, whose 19-year-old son Cory (a Livonia Stevenson grad) is

serving in Afghanistan. "Probably the best thing we can ask of the public is that they come out and support these events in the future," Kaufman noted. "We have a nice turnout today, but not enough. We have a full arena that could have been filled today..." "The people of our communities need to realize we have a tremendous amount of military residents here." Go to www.michiganmilitarymoms.com for more information about the nonprofit group.

PCA rolls

Plymouth Christian Academy got past Ann Arbor Greenhills Tuesday night in the conference opener for the Eagles.

PCA (10-3-2, 1-0 Michigan Independent Athletics Conference) needed four sets to defeat Greenhills. The Eagles won 25-18, 25-20 before losing 25-16 in the third game and finishing things up 25-17 in Game 4.

Kristin Malcolm (20 kills), Amy Zinn (nine kills, 10 digs), Sarah Howard (seven kills, four blocks), Jessica Rich (eight digs) and Jennifer Malcolm (27 assists) sparked PCA's victory.

The Eagles also had a solid performance at Saturday's University of Michigan-Dearborn Tournament, besting three opponents in pool play and then Wayne Memorial in the Gold Bracket semifinals, 25-10, 25-10. But PCA fell 25-21, 25-20 to Waterford Mott in the finals.

Jennifer Malcolm tallied 37 assists in the pool victories and followed up with 13 more against Mott. Kristin Malcolm had 46 kills for the day.

Chiefs power past Wildcats

By Tim Smith
Observer Staff Writer

Momentum from last weekend's tournament titles would only carry over for one team Tuesday night.

Plymouth's varsity volleyball squad came off its first-ever tournament victory at Saturday's University of Michigan-Dearborn invite. Host Canton also was victorious Saturday at the Lakeland tournament.

But it was the Chiefs — led by the hard-hitting duo of senior outside hitters Alaina Turner and Kristen Muir — who stayed on a roll with a 3-1 match victory.

"I had hoped that it (UM-D tourney win) would give us a spark, but it didn't," Plymouth first-year coach Sarah Marody said. "We just never fired it up today. We didn't look like the team that played Saturday."

Canton (18-2 overall, 2-0 in the KLAA South Division) won 25-15 in the opening game before falling in Game 2 (Plymouth won 25-23). But the Chiefs bounced back with a pair of 25-16 wins in the final two games.

"I think it definitely helped boost our confidence (that they won Saturday's tournament). It made us feel that we could match up to Canton," Plymouth senior co-captain and libero Lindsey Stemberger said. "But



Going up to try and block the attempt is Plymouth's Shayla Smalls (No. 11).

when it came down to it, a lot of us didn't seem like we wanted it as much tonight."

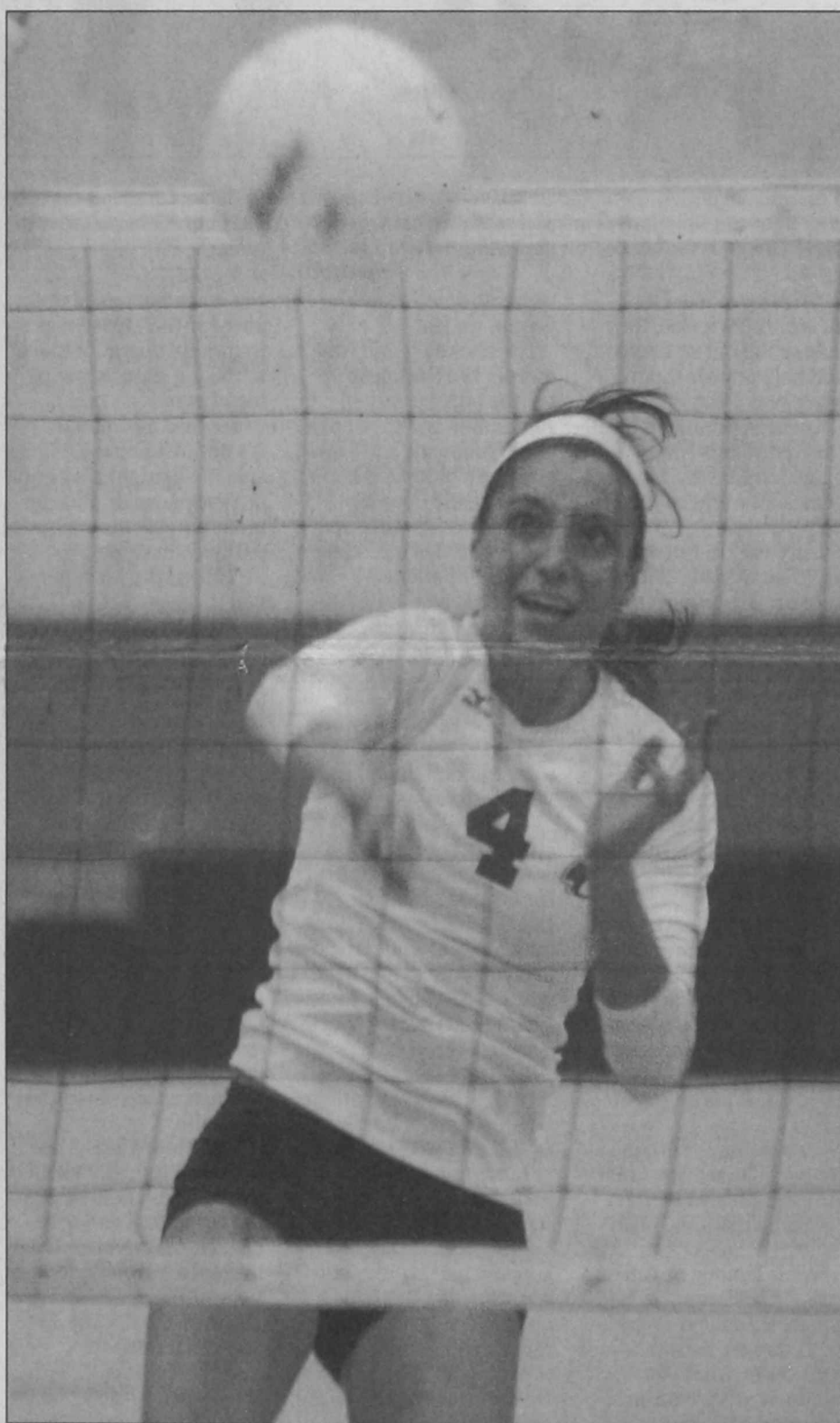
Dynamic duo

The 1-2 punch of Turner (20 kills) and Muir (17 kills, four blocks, 18 defensive digs) helped the Chiefs make sure Plymouth could not mount too much of a comeback.

"We both played a very competitive level of volleyball in the club season and we push our (Canton) teammates and our teammates push us to do the best we can," Muir said about the way she and Turner team up to overwhelm defenses. "Really, our team has great chemistry."

Chiefs head coach Mary Krysky gave props to Turner and Muir, but credited the way senior setters Lauren Martin (24

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Hammering home another point for Canton Tuesday night is senior outside hitter Kristen Muir (No. 4).

Salem prevails

On Tuesday night, two Plymouth-Canton Educational Park varsity girls swimming and diving teams got together for quite a meet.

Salem edged Plymouth 96-90, and Rocks head coach Chuck Olson said it was "an exciting finish to a very close meet. Both teams were well-matched in all events."

The Rocks were paced by senior co-captain Lauren Seroka, who qualified for the Division 1 state meet in the 200 IM (2:13.85), 100 breaststroke (1:10.48) and as anchor in the 400-yard freestyle relay (with Julia Suriano, Maddie Gorman and Abby Aumiller). That relay finished first with a mark of 3:45.67.

Also winning a state meet spot was Plymouth's 400 freestyle relay team of Stephanie Matsui, Linda Erickson, Carolyn Stoddard and Alexa Earls (second place, 3:47.60).

Aumiller qualified for the state meet in the 100 backstroke, winning that event in 1:00.81.

Other firsts for the Rocks were: 200 medley relay team of Aumiller, Seroka, Claire Amin, Suriano (1:57.18); Suriano, 500 free, 5:23.79.

Firsts for the Wildcats were: Matsui, 200 free (2:03.71); Emily Toro, 50 free (26.18); Katy Telega, 1-meter diving (147.55 points); Erickson, 100 butterfly (1:03.14); Matsui (100 free, 56.81); 200 free relay team of Matsui, Toro, Emily Weiner, Carolyn Stoddard (1:45.57).

He's on the ball

Plymouth freshman varsity boys tennis player Charlie Hou maintains sharp focus as he lets his return shot fly during Tuesday's KLAA South Division match against Westland John Glenn. The host Wildcats were victorious.



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KLAA CROSS COUNTRY INVITE

Salem girls making strides

By Tim Smith
Observer Staff Writer

Salem's young varsity girls cross country team keeps on learning, finishing fourth at Saturday's KLAA Invitational at Willow Metropark in New Boston.

Rocks head coach Dave Gerlach liked the way runners were consistently solid, as the squad tallied 148 points to trail top finishers Northville (41), Brighton (72) and Livonia Churchill (126).

"We ran as a pack," Gerlach said. "That's one thing that we've been working on, that you're competing, that you race all together to try and get through the door pretty quick."

The top runner for Salem was senior Autumn Burin (25th, 20:56.56) followed by junior Emily Bizon

(29th, 21:01.65), sophomore Natasha Stevenson (32nd, 21:06.14) and freshman Anya Cho (34th, 21:12.02).

"Our pack was good. Our pack was just above 21 minutes and we need to be in the low 20s," Gerlach said.

Another test for the Rocks comes Friday, at the Spartan Invitational in East Lansing.

"We're going to see how we compare against very talented teams out there," Gerlach said.

Salem then will look to gear up for the Oct. 8 Wayne County Invitational (also at Willow Metropark), followed by the conference championships (Oct. 20) and Division 1 state regionals (Oct. 29).

"We have a young, inexperienced varsity this year and the big thing we noticed

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Lady Ocelots boot Jackson

Renee Boudreau and Ashley Welch each tallied goals Saturday to propel the Schoolcraft College women's soccer team to a 3-0 victory over visiting Jackson Community College.

The Lady Ocelots, who improved to 4-0 overall and 3-0 in NJCAA Region XII, took a 1-0 halftime lead on Boudreau's unassisted goal, her third of the season, at 16:59.

Dawn Easton's unassisted goal at 67:34 made it 2-0 and Welch added her fifth of the year at 76:41 from Emily Behnke.

Schoolcraft goalkeeper Megan Bauman made one save to post the shutout.

STAFF GRID PICKS					
Week 4					
Friday, Sept. 16					
Lutheran Westland (1-2, 0-1) at G.P. Liggett (2-1, 1-0), 5 p.m.	Liggett	Liggett	Liggett	Liggett	Liggett
Farmington (1-2, 0-1) at South-Lathrup (0-3, 0-2), 5:30 p.m.	Farmington	Farmington	Farmington	Farmington	Farmington
Garden City (3-0, 1-0) at D.H. Crestwood (0-3, 0-1), 7 p.m.	Garden City	Garden City	Garden City	Garden City	Garden City
D.H. Annapolis (1-2, 0-1) at Thurston (2-1, 1-0), 7 p.m.	Thurston	Thurston	Thurston	Thurston	Thurston
D.H. Robichaud (3-0, 1-0) at Redford Union (0-3, 0-1), 7 p.m.	Robichaud	Robichaud	Robichaud	Robichaud	Robichaud
Livonia Churchill (2-1, 0-1) at Plymouth (3-0, 1-0), 7 p.m.	Plymouth	Plymouth	Plymouth	Plymouth	Plymouth
John Glenn (2-1, 1-0) at Livonia Franklin (1-2, 0-1), 7 p.m.	Franklin	John Glenn	Franklin	Franklin	Franklin
Canton (3-0, 1-0) at Wayne (0-3, 0-1), 7 p.m.	Canton	Canton	Canton	Canton	Canton
Livonia Stevenson (1-2, 0-1) at S.L. East (1-2, 0-1), 7 p.m.	Stevenson	Stevenson	Stevenson	Stevenson	Stevenson
Salem (1-2, 0-1) at Novi, (1-2, 0-1), 7 p.m.	Novi	Novi	Novi	Novi	Novi
North Farmington (1-2, 1-2) at B.H. Lahser (3-0, 3-0), 7 p.m.	Lahser	Lahser	Lahser	Lahser	Lahser
Oxford (2-1, 1-1) at F.H. Harrison (3-0, 2-0), 7 p.m.	Harrison	Harrison	Harrison	Harrison	Harrison
Clarenceville (2-1) at Notre Dame Prep (3-0), 7:30 p.m.	Notre Dame	Clarenceville	Notre Dame	Notre Dame	Notre Dame
Last week	8-4	6-6	8-4	9-3	
Overall	32-11	26-17	33-10	37-6	

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ing the event, he carried the 9/11 remembrance candle that burned throughout the game. "It's not necessarily worrying about the size of the crowd, it's knowing we did the right thing, remembering the people and thanking the people that did come out," Fowler said. "We did our part in remembering, a decade later from 9/11. "It's what I created, It's what I developed the team on. Giving back and never forgetting 9/11. And remembering the greatest gift in life is giving."

Fowler's concept is cashing in for others, too. He estimated that the Moose has generated about \$115,000 for those in need since being formed following 9/11. "I don't think that's bad (for) a rec team," he said.

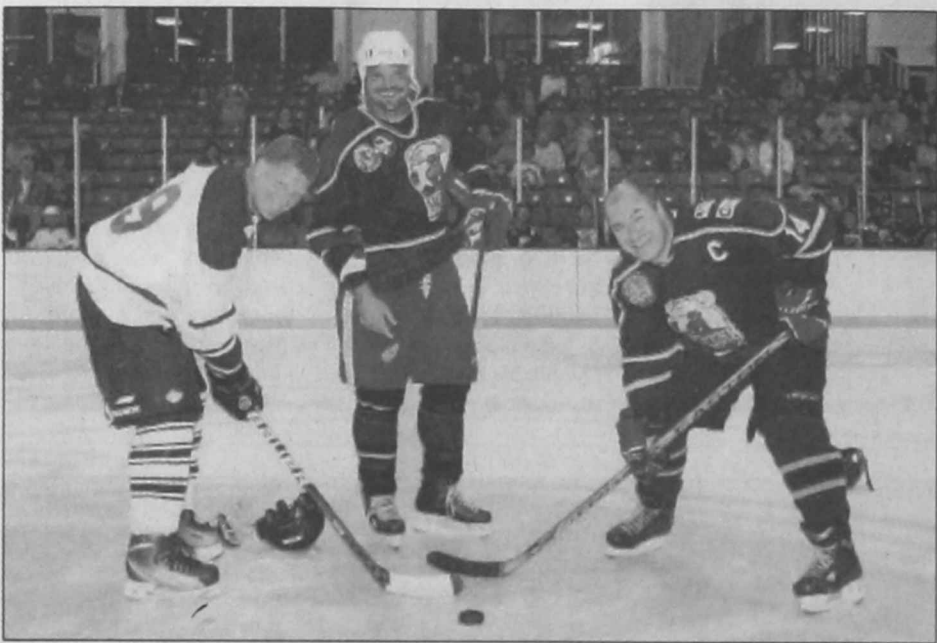
Giving back

The Moose lineup on Saturday featured former Detroit Red Wings forward Kocur, now a Highland Township resident who is a good friend of Fowler's and one of the team's full-time sponsors (Kocur Enterprises).

Kocur didn't score a goal, but he did assist on Doug Mitchell's tally to end the scoring, with less than a minute to go. Earlier during the second half, he did crash into Ameriprise goalie Jim Moule trying to jam the puck loose.

But after the whistle, a grinning Kocur put his arm around an Ameriprise defenseman and slapped the Moule's goalie pads as if to say "no harm, no foul."

"They (Moose) do a lot of good things for charity," said Kocur, lugging his red Detroit Red Wings Alumni equipment bag toward the arena exit. "Derek helped me with my foundation (Joe Kocur Foundation for Children). We had our third annual softball event this past August and raised about \$75,000 in a one-day event."



A ceremonial puck drop preceded Saturday's 9/11 Remembrance Game. Dropping the puck between Ameriprise Financial captain Matt Brown (left) and Detroit Moose captain Derek Fowler is former Detroit Red Wings forward Joe Kocur (center).

"With guys like Derek and Ameriprise, they helped me out so I come and help out for them whenever I can."

Kocur is president of the Red Wings Alumni, which like the Moose goes above and beyond to help others.

"Any way to raise money," Kocur said. "Softball, hockey, whatever it takes. I'm currently president of the Red Wing Alumni so we do a lot of charitable work, give a lot of money to charity."

"The hockey is nothing. It's seeing the smiling faces and what our money helps people to get that they can't normally get."

Lifelong link

Presley, a former Chicago Black Hawks player, played for Ameriprise as did Matt Brown — not a pro by any means, but someone who will always have a unique connection to 9/11.

"It resonates with me a lot because my son (Justin) was born at 8 in the morning that day," said Brown, who works at the Livonia branch of Ameriprise. "He's going to be 10 years old on 9/11 as well."

"It doesn't matter who you are or what your status is, everyone was affected on that day in one way, shape or form. I think it's great to just be able to be a part of this in

remembrance of all the people we lost."

The hockey game was merely the backdrop for the opportunity to remember and give back, again following the Fowler/Moose blueprint.

Before the opening face off, there were special festivities including a moment of silence.

In between the two 30-minute halves (played in running time), all police officers and armed forces personnel (whether active or veterans) were invited to center ice for a ceremonial photograph with both teams.

Heartfelt

That was a big moment for Canton's Sharon Loney. Her father, Wilmouth Hodge, who passed away in July at age 91, was a U.S. Marine (1st Lieutenant) during World War II.

"It holds special to my heart because my father was a Marine," Loney said. "... so with what is going around, what happened on that day it was very tragic."

She also was there to support her 21-year-old son, Donald (DJ) Loney, one of the players on the Moose and a graduate of Westland John Glenn. DJ scored two goals and assisted on another.

According to Sharon Loney, one of the things Fowler made clear to her

son when he signed up to play for the Moose was that there was a lot more to the gig than lacing up the skates.

"He told my son DJ, it's not just hockey," she said. "We might play once or twice a week. But the main thing is giving back to the community."

"That's why he expects you to not just play. If you're just going to come out and play hockey then he doesn't want you on the team."

More to come

Fowler is now looking ahead to the next charity event involving the Moose.

The Moose and Red Wings Alumni will play "The Grind Line Reunion Game" on Saturday, Jan. 7, at Canton Arctic Edge Arena.

Might Kocur suit up again for the Moose or not? He laughed heartily when asked about that possibility.

"The Red Wings," he said emphatically about which squad he'd be skating for in that game, to benefit the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

And so the hockey heartbeat goes on.

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During Saturday's game, Canton senior defender Neil Zech (No. 4) clears the ball just in time as Salem senior forward Colin Rooney (No. 3) closes in.

Canton mercies Zebras

Canton romped to an 8-0 victory Tuesday night over visiting Wayne Memorial in a KLAA South Division varsity soccer tilt.

The Chiefs, victorious for the sixth straight games, led 1-0 on an early rebound goal by Dan Ovesea (3 goals). But then came a four-goal surge in the final six minutes of the opening half to put the contest away.

Scoring in succession were Ryan Kilgore, Connor Furgason, Mitch Pepper and Scott Piwowar. The goals for Kilgore and Piwowar were their first of the season.

In the second half, Canton picked right back up with three more goals in the first seven minutes to end the game under MHSAA mercy rules.

Ken Krolicki set up Ovesea for the team's sixth goal, and Ovesea got his hat trick on a beautiful pass from senior Mitch Posuniak.

Nathan Bergeson ended the game when he took a pass from Posuniak and one-timed a shot into the back of the net.

Junior Ian Wingate got his first varsity start in goal for Canton (8-1-1 overall, 3-0-0 in the KLAA South), and kept Wayne Memorial (2-5-0, 0-3-0) off the scoreboard.

Chiefs nip Rocks

In Saturday's "Senior Night" game, Canton edged Salem 2-1 to win for the fifth game in a row.

The Chiefs got on the board in the second half when junior Dan Ovesea beat Salem sopho-

more goalkeeper Collin Hewett on a penalty kick.

With about 19 minutes remaining, sophomore Ken Krolicki chipped a ball into the box and Ovesea took the pass, turned a Salem defender and drove a shot past Hewett.

Salem closed the gap with 12 minutes to play as senior Chris Ensor parlayed a feed from sophomore Brady Cole behind Canton senior goalkeeper Steven Murphy.

But the Rocks couldn't quite catch Canton.

"Although we had a few additional chances late in the game, we were unable to get the equalizer," Salem head coach Ed McCarthy said. "Collin Hewett played well in goal and we were good defensively. (But) the penalty kick was a turning point."

Salem (2-5-3, 1-2-0 in the KLAA Central Division) did rebound from the loss to defeat South Lyon 4-1 on Tuesday, although details were not available as of press time.

CHURCHILL 2, PLYMOUTH 0: Austin Henson figured in both goals Tuesday as host Livonia Churchill (4-2-2, 2-1) stopped the Wildcats (2-6-2, 1-2) in a KLAA South Division encounter.

Evan Schweizer scored the game-winner at the 43:01 mark from Henson, who in turn put the game away at 52:08 off an assist from Michael Murphy.

Churchill's defensive backline of Derek Ralls, Matt Koepeke, Bryan Barnum and Alex Jones made life easy for goalkeeper Karl Tiama (three saves) to post the shutout.

Meanwhile, the Wildcats lost 2-0 to Saline on Saturday.

Whalers trade Livonia's Iafrate

Plymouth Whalers President, General Manager and Head Coach Mike Vellucci recently announced the trade of 17-year-old defenseman Max Iafrate to the Kitchener Rangers in exchange for third-round draft choices in the 2015 and 2016 Ontario Hockey League Priority Selection.

Plymouth and Kitchener will also exchange first-round picks in the 2012 and 2013 Canadian Hockey League Import Draft.

Iafrate was selected by the Whalers in the first round (15th overall) in the 2010 OHL Draft. The son of former NHL All-Star defenseman and U.S. Olympian Al Ifrate, played all of last season in Plymouth, scoring five goals with two assists for seven points and 74 PIM's in 62 games.

Vellucci also announced the tryout of free-agent left wing Trent Samuels-Thomas.

Samuels-Thomas — 18-years-old and from Hartford, Conn. — played last season with the Drummondville Voltigeurs of the Quebec Major Junior Hockey League, where he



Defenseman Max Iafrate (No. 34, shown from a 2010-11 game) will be skating for Kitchener this season after the Plymouth Whalers traded him.

scored two goals with five assists for seven points and 25 PIM's in 36 games.

Samuels-Thomas also played with Waterloo of the U.S. Hockey League in 2009-10 and spent 2008-09 with Victory Honda of the Midwest Elite Hockey League, where he scored four goals with four assists for eight points in 31 games.

Plymouth opens the 2011-12 regular season Wednesday, Sept. 21 at Owen Sound with their home opener set for 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24 against Erie Otters at Campiware Arena.

Tickets are available by calling (734) 453-8400.

Noted sportswriter to speak at EMU

Ira Berkow, a Pulitzer Prize-winning sportswriter, will explore the role of Jewish Americans and their passion for baseball during a presentation, "Jews and Baseball: An American Love Story," at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 20, at Eastern Michigan University's Student Center Auditorium.

Berkow wrote the script for the award-winning documentary of the same name. He will talk about the film and how the project developed. The lecture is free and open to the public.

Berkow was a sports reporter and columnist for the New York Times, from 1981 to 2007, and has written for numerous magazines and newspapers. Among the 18 books he has authored are "Hank Greenberg: The Story of My Life" (1989); and "To the Hoop: The Seasons of a Basketball Life" (1997).

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BOYS TENNIS RESULTS

LIVONIA CHURCHILL 5, CANTON 4 Sept. 13 at Churchill No. 1 singles: Matt Cezat (LC) defeated Rohan Vaishnav, 5-7, 6-1, 6-1; No. 2: Jonathan Martin (LC) def. Alan Hallim, 6-3, 6-4; No. 3: Joe Mulka (LC) def. George Zhou, 2-6, 6-0, 6-4; No. 4: Rishabh Arvikar (LC) def. Kirk Wang, 6-3, 6-1. No. 1 doubles: Josh Wendel-Steve Price (C) def. Brian Baumgartner-Mark Denstaedt, 6-2, 6-2; No. 2: Travis Michael-James Dodge (C) def. Tejas Soni-Mayuresh, 6-4, 6-1; No. 3: Sarav Shah-Mitchell Trost (C) def. Steven Van Warmer-Riley Prince, 7-5, 6-3; No. 4: Andrew Wade-Lucas Underwood (C) def. Braden Swantick-Ian Clemens, 6-0, 7-6(2); No. 5: Kishan Trivedi-Mit Patel (LC) def. Craig Lou-Paul Lou, 6-0, 6-0. Dual match records: Canton, 3-1 overall, 3-1 KLAA South Division; Churchill, 5-3 overall, 2-1.	CANTON 9 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 0 Sept. 12 at John Glenn No. 1 singles: Rohan Vashinav (C) def. Tom Ruark, 6-0, 6-0; No. 2: Alan Hallim (C) def. Mitch Dean, 3-6, 6-3, 6-3; No. 3: George Zhou (C) def. Nick Stone, 6-2, 6-1; No. 4: Kirk Wang (C) def. Wayne Woodard, 7-5, 6-3. No. 1 doubles: Josh Wendel-Steve Price (C) def. Shane Wiechert-Chris Sabel, 6-0, 6-3; No. 2: Travis Michael-James Dodge (C) def. Mike Woodard-Ian Villaraman, 6-1, 6-1; No. 3: Sarav Shah-Mitchell Trost (C) def. Paul Balilo-Karl Lawrence, 6-0, 7-5; No. 4: Andrew Wade-Lucas Underwood (C) def. Charlie Messics-Bill Messics, 6-1, 6-0; No. 5: Paul Lou-Craig Lou (C) def. Ainsworth Orr-Joe Onaiea, 6-3, 6-4.
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GIRLS GOLF RESULTS

CANTON 184 LIVONIA CHURCHILL 189 Sept. 9 at Hilltop G.C. Canton scorers: Kayla Lagola, 44; Chloe Luyet, 45; Kelsey McDougall, 46; Paige Oslar, 49; Kaylie Lobb, 53; Katie Adams, 54. Churchill scorers: Jordyn Shepler, 38 (medalist); Maggie McGowan, 47; Jackie Burdette, 49; Nicole Kruse, 55; Claire Rose, 65; Maddie Spooner, 66. Dual match records: Canton, 2-0 overall, 2-0 KLAA South Division; Churchill, 2-1 overall, 2-1 KLAA South.	PLYMOUTH 175 LIVONIA FRANKLIN 237 Sept. 9 at Fox Hills G.C. Plymouth scorers: Kelsey Murphy, 38; Sarah Thompson, 41; Sydney Murphy, 46; Lindsay Dean, 50; Danielle Allen, 51; Carly Curvin, 61. Dual match record: Plymouth, 1-0 overall, 1-0 KLAA South Division.
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Members of the All Saints Varsity Blue volleyball team, which won a recent pre-season tournament, include (front row, from left) Hadley McCausland, Faith Ellis, Sara Soltis, Brianna Risi, Hailey Hodgson; (back row, from left) coach Kathy Ganich, Taylor Smith, Hannah Stefanek, Tess Ganich, Emily Tanski, Hannah Cohen and coach Anne Ellis. The team is based out of Canton.

All Saints Blue spikers win tourney

The All Saints Catholic School's Girls Varsity Blue volleyball team won the recent pre-season tournament, topping a field of eight teams from across southeast Michigan.

The Canton-based team went undefeated in pool play on Aug. 27 with a 6-0 record and the next day defeated St. Fabian in the semifinal (25-5, 25-19) and South Lyon St. Joseph in the final (25-18, 23-25,

15-4).

Other teams in the tournament included Our Lady Star of the Sea, St. Michael, St. Patrick of White Lake and a second St. Joseph team. There also was a second All Saints team in the tournament.

The ACSC Varsity Blue team got valuable contributions from each and every girl over the tourney weekend. Members of the team include Faith Ellis, Sara

Soltis, Emily Tanski, Brianna Risi, Hailey Hodgson, Hannah Cohen, Taylor Smith, Hadley McCausland, Tess Ganich and Hannah Stefanek. Anne Ellis coaches the team, with assistance from Kathy Ganich.

All Saints Catholic School is located at 48735 Warren Road, between Beck and Ridge roads, behind Resurrection Catholic Church.

PREP CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

KLAA CROSS COUNTRY INVITATIONAL

Sept. 10 at Willow Metropark BOYS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Hartland, 28 points; 2. Grand Blanc, 58; 3. Livonia Churchill, 73; 4. Canton, 90; 5. Pinckney, 148; 6. Salem, 185; 7. Livonia Franklin, 230; 8. Walled Lake Central, 232; 9. Westland John Glenn, 232; 10. Walled Lake Western, 247; 11. Wayne Memorial, 259.

TOP 20 INDIVIDUALS:

1. Ian McGinn (H), 16:18.66; 2. Zachary Kughn (GB), 16:31.40; 3. Alex Gietek (H), 16:32.42; 4. Michael Cox (P), 16:46.75; 5. Ryan Wise (LC), 16:47.67; 6. Sean Pengelly (H), 16:49.34; 7. Jareb Duggan (H), 17:00.87; 8. Carson Truesdell (GB), 17:09.99; 9. Jeff Molchan (H), 17:11.11; 10. Dilyn Foy (GB), 17:13.11; 11. Brendan Gavitt (H), 17:18.24; 12. Dillon Hanson (GB), 17:23.23; 13. Mitch Clinton (C), 17:23.99; 14. Robert Howard (LC), 17:24.89; 15. Steve McEvilly (S), 17:25.67; 16. Joe Hage (LC), 17:27.28; 17. Keenan Jones (LF), 17:27.79; 18. Ben Yates (LC), 17:28.24; 19. Bradon Conley (C), 17:35.54; 20. George Bowles (LC), 17:37.63.

Canton finishers: 9. Jeff Molchan, 17:11.11; 13. Mitch Clinton, 17:23.99; 19. Bradon Conley, 17:35.54; 22. Billy Toth, 17:43.57; 27. Andrew Stephens, 17:56.67; 38. Tom Walkinshaw, 18:08.29; 45. Evan Dunklee, 18:20.18; 56. Alex Krul, 18:37.25; 70. Josh Joy, 19:04.65; 76. Jackson Lytle, 19:20.93; 79. Mace Gatzek, 19:27.37; 94. Evan Childs, 20:09.05; 96. Jay Dren-

nan, 20:11.35.

Salem finishers: 15. Steve McEvilly, 17:25.67; 29. Riley Duxtader, 17:59.39; 49. Jeremy Drouillard, 18:29.87; 53. Lewis Campbell, 18:35.21; 54. Donovan Drouillard, 18:35.57; 57. Paul Vander, 18:38.70; 59. Noah Engerer, 18:39.29; 66. Lucas Salinas, 18:52.14; 85. Mason Mills, 19:42.62; 86. Alex Creekmore, 19:45.50; 88. Russell Sharpe, 19:52.49; 90. Jason Rogers, 19:55.53; 99. Connor Hall, 20:20.90; 105. Jason Basanese, 20:49.66.

GIRLS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Northville, 41 points; 2. Brighton, 72; 3. Livonia Churchill, 126; 4. Salem, 148; 5. Hartland, 151; 6. Pinckney, 175; 7. Novi, 185; 8. Walled Lake Western, 187; 9. Canton, 195; 10. Plymouth, 247; 11. Walled Lake Central, 270; 12. Livonia Franklin, 275; 13. Westland John Glenn, 418.

TOP 20 INDIVIDUALS:

1. Julia Valencia (WLW), 18:47.49; 2. Kerigan Riley (LC), 19:12.13; 3. Avery Evenson (H), 19:31.86; 4. Gina McNamara (Nville), 19:33.23; 5. Jackie Mullins (Novi), 19:33.94; 6. Taleen Shahrigian (Nville), 19:38.85; 7. Kerri McMahan (Novi), 19:43.94; 8. Hayley Williamson (B), 19:45.04; 9. Erin Zimmer (Nville), 19:56.69; 10. Rachel Coleman (Nville), 20:00.91; 11. Elizabeth Kingshott (B), 20:05.30; 12. Erin Dunne (Nville), 20:10.41; 13. Natalie Halonen (H), 20:27.40; 14. Sydney Anderson (LC), 20:28.39; 15. Emily Wilks (B), 20:28.83; 16. Miranda Haas (Pney), 20:30.15; 17. Lydia Bu-

mann (B), 20:30.59; 18. Marina DeBiasi (Ply), 20:43.49; 19. Alex Rodriguez (Nville), 20:45.27; 20. Alison Robinson (Nville), 20:48.02.

Salem finishers: 25. Autumn Burin, 20:56.56; 32. Natasha Stevenson, 21:06.14; 37. Shannon Flynn, 21:21.31; 39. Alejandra Beltran, 21:27.08; 47. Lauren Arquette, 21:42.10; 49. Rebecca Lopez, 21:44.10; 52. Alexis Foley, 21:50.56; 53. Hanna Stolikier, 21:51.30; 61. Kelly Kerwin, 22:09.26; 69. Amanda Beyer, 22:29.56; 85. Jamie Olson, 22:54.46; 99. Emily Marcero, 23:10.53.

Canton finishers: 24. Emily Southern, 20:55.50; 27. Jessica Siegler, 21:42.38; 56. Anna Gorzalski, 21:53.05; 67. Katie Grimes, 22:22.18; 71. Paige Calvert, 22:31.46; 93. Ellen Grimes, 23:04.10; 96. Laura Murphy, 23:09.53; 103. Hannah Feree, 23:17.64; 118. Meg Riley, 23:45.73; 119. Olivia McIntee, 23:46.43; 132. Maddison Johnson, 24:32.83; 135. Chloe Cross, 24:41.19; 136. Keara Sullivan, 24:51.00.

Plymouth finishers: 18. Marina DeBiasi, 20:43.49; 72. Hailey Foster, 22:35.06; 73. Alexa Chicon, 22:35.87; 78. Mariah Lax, 22:48.47; 82. Elyse Gryniewicz, 22:51.95; 83. Renae DeBrito, 22:52.16; 104. Shannon Shaver, 23:17.98; 105. Morgan Henson, 23:18.34; 117. Sophie Roberts, 23:39.60; 123. Lindsey Gryniewicz, 24:04.99; 127. Jordyn Strahm, 24:10.13; 139. Molly McSween, 24:58.16; 141. Mandy McSween, 25:13.86.

SPIKERS

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assists) and Jackie Waite (22 assists) distributed the ball in the front row.

"My setters do a good job of mixing it up, (but) continuing to go to them (Turner, Muir) when needed," Kryska said. "And they also hold the block."

Other than misfiring during Plymouth's win with six service errors, Kryska pointed at her team's aggressiveness at the stripe as another plus.

In Game 1, junior outside hitter Erica den Boer served up four points (including an ace) to bump up Canton's lead to 20-13.

Likewise, a five-point run with Muir serving helped the Chiefs get off to a fast start in Game 3 (6-1).

The clinching game went back and forth until den Boer (seven kills, 13 digs) reeled off four points — with the Martin-to-Turner combo accounting for two of them — to give the Chiefs a 15-10 advantage.

Pretty much sealing Plymouth's fate was a four-point serving stint by Turner. During that run, which gave Canton a 22-13 advantage, senior middle blocker Jordan Tubaro accounted for two points on blocks. Tubaro had six kills and three blocks.

"She played very well for us," Kryska said. "She's very good at getting to the right spot at the right time."

Plymouth positives

The Wildcats (11-4, 1-2) did compete for a while thanks to the incredible reactions of Stemberger (11 digs), who somehow handled the hot shots from the other side.

Others to spark Plymouth included junior outside hitter Emilee Beyer (10 kills, 12 digs), senior setter Jessica Scott (17 assists) and junior middle hitter Madelyn Betts (five kills, seven digs).

Marody said senior leadership from Stemberger, Scott and outside hitter Rachael Hille were among the positives in a losing cause.

"If we didn't have Lindsey in the back row, the score would have been a lot worse," Maro-



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Bumping the ball for Plymouth on Tuesday night is junior outside hitter Emilee Beyer (No. 7), while teammate Lindsey Stemberger (No. 13) watches.

dy said. "With Scott setting, she runs the show, she's the quarterback and she's consistent day in and day out."

"And Rachael Hille has really stepped up. She's a very positive role model on the floor."

Canton now will try to build on the win against the Wildcats as division rival Livonia Churchill visits at 6:30 p.m. Thursday.

Kryska said whoever wins that game should have the upper hand in the race for the KLAA South championship.

Of course, Marody and the Wildcats hope to have something to say about that.

Tourney recaps

• Plymouth did not lose at the UM-D invitational, going 7-0 to capture the tournament.

Marody said her team did not lose a set throughout the day.

Earning spots on the all-tourney team were Stemberger (44 digs, nine aces) and Scott (113 assists, 29 digs).

Other statistical leaders included Hille (13 aces), Emilee Beyer (40 kills, 33 digs) and Olivia Beyer (nine blocks, 28 kills).

Others helping the Wildcats were Betts (34 kills, 13 digs) and Shayla Smalls (20 assists before leaving with an injury).

• Canton also was perfect over the weekend to win the Lakeland tourney.

The Chiefs swept through pool play before knocking off Midland, Lakeland and Dearborn Divine Child in bracket competition. In the final, Canton defeated Divine Child, 25-20, 25-20.

Turner tallied 92 kills, along with 10 blocks,

55 digs and eight aces. Muir, who missed part of the action, chipped in with 31 kills and 40 digs.

Other top contributors included Maggie Deloy (23 kills, 44 digs), den Boer (32 kills, 63 digs), Jordan Diedrick (eight blocks), Becca Middleton (35 digs), Martin (87 assists) and Waite (77 assists).

Rocks lose opener: On Sept. 8 in Salem's season and KLAA Central Division opener, the Rocks dropped a 3-1 decision to state-ranked South Lyon by scores of 25-8, 26-24, 22-25, 25-23.

Rocks head coach Amanda Nies said South Lyon 6-4 standout Chloe Reinig dominated the first game, but added that Salem did compete hard in the final three games.

"Right away when we came out, we were not able to get an attack and kept giving free balls to South Lyon," Nies said. "They would just feed Chloe and she would then terminate the ball. I honestly think the first 10 points she had about eight of those kills herself."

After making some lineup adjustments, the Rocks were right there with the Lions.

"I am proud of how my girls did not give up after that first game," she said. "That was the very first match of the season. As each match goes on, we are only going to get better."

Katie Vincent (13 digs), Kara Hewett (eight aces), Brooke Berberet (nine kills), Nancy Krutty (20 assists, seven digs) and Quinn Fillingier (six digs, 14 assists) were among Salem's statistical leaders for the night.

SALEM

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is the kids ran well, but didn't run aggressive," Gerlach said. "We want them to be a little more aggressive, to go out there and push the pace. Go after a win."

Other Plymouth-Canton Educational Park teams had less success at the KLAA meet, with Canton and Plymouth taking the ninth and 10th spots (scoring 195 and 247 points, respectively).

For the Chiefs, senior Emily Southern and sophomore Jessica Siegler finished in the top 30. Southern's time of 20:55.50 earned her 24th place, while Siegler's 20:58.81 was good for 27th.

Plymouth's bright spot was sophomore Marina DeBiasi. She finished the rain-saturated course in 20:43.49, 18th place.

Gerlach downplayed the soggy conditions, although they did slow times a bit.

"It was wet, but it was cross country," Gerlach said. "That's what cross country is all about, running not on a smooth surface, going out there in the purest of forms."

Canton boys fourth

In the boys race, Canton had a very good showing. The Chiefs finished fourth with 90 points, trailing Hartland (28), Grand

Blanc (58) and Livonia Churchill (73).

Salem's boys took sixth, with 185 points.

For Canton, senior Jeff Molchan's time of 17:11.11 was good for ninth place. Seniors Mitch Clinton (13th, 17:23.99) and Bradon Conley (19th, 17:35.54) also were strong.

Canton freshman Billy Toth showed promise, taking 22nd place with a mark of 17:43.57.

The Rocks' lineup featured junior Steve McEvilly. He came in 15th with a time of 17:25.67.

Finishing 29th for Salem with a time of 17:59.39 was

junior Riley Duxtader, who broke the 18-minute mark for the first time.

"I was very pleased with our effort and execution of the race plan on Saturday," Salem head coach Steve Aspinall said. "Overall, we finished sixth out of 11 teams, which is about where we expected."

In addition to McEvilly and Duxtader, the coach said the Rocks were solid as a pack with the next five runners finishing within 10 seconds of each other.

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DEBORAH ANN

Debbie went home to meet her Lord on September 3rd, 2011. A life long resident of Livonia, Debbie leaves her two brothers and sisters-in-law Howard (Virginia) and Phillip (Annette), nephews Brian and Jim, nieces Chelsey and Lauren, godson Seth Teachout, and countless wonderful friends and neighbors. A memorial service to celebrate Debbie's life will be held on October 28th, 2011, at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 30650 West Six Mile Road, Livonia (phone: 734-427-1414) at 7 P.M.

GALLO, JAMES M.

Age 81. Beloved husband of Alnora for 59 years. Loving father of Jim (Shelley), Pam (John) Gauld, Matt (Dawn), Greg and Jill (Ross) McCarthy. Dear grandpa of Jenny, Vince, Patrick, Andrea, Emily, Amanda, Joe, Brendan and Conner. Preceded in death by his brother Bob, his sister Eleanor and his grandson Justin. There was a Visitation held Tuesday, September 13th 2-8 p.m. with a 7:30 p.m. Rosary at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, Livonia, MI. The Memorial Mass was Wednesday, September 14th 10:30 a.m. at St. Edith Church 15089 Newburgh, Livonia, MI 48154. Memorial donations to St. Edith or Poor Clare Nuns. www.harryjwillfuneralhome.com

GREEN, WILLIAM

64 years, of Donnellson, Iowa, and formerly of Farmington Hills, Michigan, died Sept. 9, 2011. Born Sept. 18, 1946, at Detroit, Michigan. He is survived by his wife, Lisa Green and one daughter, Sarah. Barr Memorial Chapel in Fort Madison, Iowa, is coordinating arrangements: www.barrmemorialchapel.com

McCANN, JOHN JOSEPH

Age 81, from Livonia died September 10, 2011. Arrangements by L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, Westland.

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RIZZO, EUGENE

Age 79, September 11, 2011. Loving husband of 50 years to Janet. Devoted father to Marty (Beth), Greg (Kathy), Pam (Kurt) Keller, Bryan and David. Dear grandfather of Mark, Kevin, Amy, Greg, Ari and Travis. He will also be missed by many nieces, nephews and dear friends. Visitation Tuesday 5-9 pm and Wednesday 2-9 pm with a Rosary Service at 7 pm at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, 37000 W. Six Mile, Livonia, MI 48152. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Thursday at St. Michael Catholic Church, 11411 Hubbard St. Livonia, MI 48150. Eugene will lie in state at the church from 10 am until the funeral Mass at 10:30 am. Donations to the American Cancer Society, the American Diabetes Foundation or St. John Hospice. www.harryjwillfuneralhome.com

SPARKS,
HELEN "PENNY"

Age 82 of Lake, MI, passed away Sunday, September 11, 2011, formerly of Garden City. Penny is preceded in death by her husband Olin "Sparkie" after 53 wonderful years. She is survived by her children Susan Harrison of Livonia, Kathleen Sparks of Manchester, N.H., Keith (Kathy) Sparks of Canton and Brian Sparks of Garden City; many grandchildren and great grandchildren. Penny was also predeceased in death by her son Robert and sisters Margaret and Rosemary. Penny volunteered for many different organizations. Penny will be remembered as a loyal friend to her children and everyone else that knew her. Services have taken place at the Farwell Chapel of Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home on Wednesday, September 14th. A visitation was held at R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, Livonia, Wednesday, September 14th. A Committal Service will be held at the St. Hedwig Catholic Cemetery in Dearborn Heights on Thursday at 10:30 A.M. Memorials may be made to the Little Sisters of the Poor in Oregon, Ohio. Please share a memory of Penny by signing her guestbook at: www.rggharris.com.

SMITH (GLENN),
ETHEL "JOANN"

Born 6-11-36 passed away 8-28-11. Joann resided in Farmington Hills, MI. She is survived by her husband William (Bill) Smith, and children Ron Smith (Judi), Terri Mahakian (Mike) and grand children, Chris, Nereida, Lisa, and Kelly along with 5 great grandchildren. Joann loved to travel, cook and care for her family. She will be greatly missed.

WOODS, IRENE
MARIE

Age 91, of Hale, MI died Tuesday, August 16, 2011 at Bortz Health Care in Rose City. She was born February 8, 1920 in Mikado, MI to August Lange and Minnie Lange. Her father was born in Stedine, Germany and her mother in Saginaw, MI. Irene met Henry Carl Woods on a blind date 67 years ago and married him on February 21st, 1940. She enjoyed her small lake home that Henry built for them when he retired from Ford Motor Company as an inspector. Irene also enjoyed playing the piano, accordion and violin. She would play these instruments at her brother's farm in Mikado, MI where they would have home parties with family and friends. Irene was the youngest of 12 children. She is preceded in death by her husband, Henry Woods and sisters, Elsie Clark of Alpena, MI and Selma McMillen of Saginaw, MI, her brothers, Art Lange, Ed Lange, Fritz Lange and Onnie Lange, they all were of Mikado, MI and Mike Lange of Skokie, IL. Irene has two daughters, Sally (Bill) Hurrelbrink of Westland, MI and Judy Drury of Conway, MI. Irene is also survived by her grandsons, Mark Hurrelbrink of Westland, MI; James (Laurie) Drury of Scottsdale, AZ, Thomas Drury of Harbor Springs, MI and one great-grandchild, Tai Jaxx Drury of Harbor Springs, MI. Visitation took place on Monday at 12 until 2pm, funeral service was held at 2pm Monday, August 22nd at Hale Chapel, Buresh Funeral Home, 121 S. Washington, Hale, MI with Rev. Rob Nordin officiating Interment: Esmond Evergreen Cemetery. Memorial contributions are suggested to a local hospice of your choice. Those wishing to express words of sympathy may do so at: BureshFuneralHomes.com

Livonia church accepting used eyeglasses for needy

The Rev. Todd Lackie says his congregation at Kenwood Church in Livonia is "up to some good" with its latest collection drive for the needy.

The church gave away thousands of gently-used items for free to the public last month and recently collected nearly 3,000 cans of pop for House Christian Fellowship to

distribute to thirsty students on "move in day" at Eastern Michigan University. Now it's focusing on eyeglasses that will be sent to Haiti for distribution.

"After we collect the eyeglasses, they will be sent to an optometrist who will read and record the prescription for the lenses," Lackie wrote in

an e-mail to the Observer. "What a great use for something that most of us just throw in a drawer and forget."

The church keeps a drop box by its main entrance. It's available for donations at all hours, daily. The collection continues through Sept. 25. Questions? Call the church at (248) 476-8222.

Congregation sets High Holy day services

Congregation Bet Chaverim will open its doors to worshippers of any religious background for High Holy Day services on a donation basis.

The Congregation is home to Jewish families of different backgrounds, including interfaith families. It will celebrate Rosh Hashanah — Jewish New Year — and welcome the year 5772 at 7 p.m. Sept. 28 and 10 a.m., Sept. 29.

The services will include prayer and reflection, along with the tradition of listening to the blowing of the shofar, an instrument made from the horn of a male sheep, and eating sweet food, such as dipped apples or challah bread in honey, in hopes of having a sweet year.

"The High Holy Days always seem to come at such a busy time of year, with the starting of school and new schedules," said member Staci Ollar. "I enjoy the solace and time to reflect on the past year while also thinking about the upcoming year. It gives me time to take a break from my hectic schedule and think about the things that really matter."

On Yom Kippur — Day of Atonement — congregation members fast and reflect on the sins of the past year.

"As human beings we all make mistakes and that is going to happen, but recognizing your errors and asking for forgiveness is a way to cleanse the soul and gives you an opportunity to start fresh," Ollar said.

Yom Kippur always occurs on the tenth day after Rosh Hashanah. The time period from Rosh Hashanah to Yom Kippur is referred to as "The High Holy Days," during which individuals reflect and ask others for forgiveness for mistakes or misgivings that have occurred throughout the year.

Yom Kipper services will be held at 7 p.m. on Oct. 7 and 10 a.m. Oct. 8, with a closing service and "break the fast" group dinner at 5 p.m. Oct. 8.

All services are held at Congregation Bet Chaverim, hosted at Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, 321 Ridge Rd., Canton.

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Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. the first and third Tuesday beginning Sept. 20

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

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Sarah Faix plays Marian and Matt Peckham is Harold Hill in the Spotlight Players' production of "The Music Man," 8 p.m. Sept. 16-17, 23-24 and 2 p.m. Sept. 17-18, 24-25 at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton.

Spotlight Players bring 'River City' to Canton

Spotlight Players opens its new season with the Tony award-winning musical comedy, *The Music Man*, Friday, Sept. 16 at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton.

The Music Man tells the story of fast talking traveling salesman Harold Hill, whose con is to persuade towns to invest in a boy's brass band that never materializes. But Hill gets more than he bargained for in River City when his love for the town librarian provokes a dormant conscience. Phil Lajoy, Canton Township supervisor, plays the role of the conductor in the play. Matt Peckham plays Harold Hill and Sarah Faix plays Marian. The show is co-directed

and choreographed by Lia De Biasi and Olivia Rhoades. Musical direction is by Rebecca Biber.

"*The Music Man* is a classic show that is fun for everyone: anyone who has played an instrument, those who enjoy a good love story, and anyone who gets a kick out of quaint and funny characters whose intentions are good but somewhat misguided," stated Biber in a press release. "Audience members will recognize songs such as *76 trombones*, *Til There Was You*, and of course *Ya Got Trouble*."

The Music Man was brought to the stage in 1957 and later made into a 1962 movie starring Robert Preston,

as well as a made-for-TV remake in 2003 featuring Matthew Broderick and Kristen Chenoweth.

Tickets for the Spotlight Players' production, which runs Sept. 16-25, are \$18 for adults and \$16 for senior citizens and students under 19. Call the Village Theater box office at (734) 394-5300 or (734) 394-5460 or visit www.spotlightplayersmi.org. They're also available at The Summit on the Park or at the door one hour before show time.

The Village Theater is located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton. The Village Theater is handicap accessible and has a concession stand with snacks, coffee, beer and wine.

Folk show offers open mic

BaseLine Folk Society will begin its 17th season Saturday, Sept. 17 with Marty Kohn and Friends as featured performers.

BaseLine Folk Society promotes and preserves the fine art of traditional acoustical folk music through monthly performances and open mic sessions.

The first show of the season will run from 7-9 p.m. Saturday at the JWH Center for the Arts, home of the Plymouth Community Arts Council,

774 Sheldon, Plymouth.

Open mic sign-up runs 6:15-6:45 p.m. Eight open mic spots are available. If more than eight performers sign-up, a lottery will be held for the open mic spots. Each musician performs two songs, cover or original.

Cathy Fitzpatrick, singer/songwriter, will host the session. Admission is \$5.

Annual memberships are available for both individuals and families. Individual memberships

cost \$25 and include free admission to monthly open mic concerts from Sept.-May. A family membership costs \$50 and includes free admission for the season for a couple and their children.

BaseLine Folk Society is a non-profit organization.

For more information call Mike Mullen, founder and president of BaseLine Folk Society, at (248) 719-3464 or e-mail him at mjmmullen@yahoo.com.

Pastels, photography on exhibit in Canton

Canton artists, Mark Alpers and Ronald J. Warunek, will show their works Sunday, Sept. 18-Nov. 12 at D&M Art Studio, 8691 Liley, Canton.

A free champagne and dessert reception will open the show from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 18. Warunek, who will show pastels, is a retired architect who took a series of college aptitude tests after high school and discovered he had an aptitude for art. He took a few college art classes in drawing and painting and then pursued a career in architecture. Over the years, he continued to work on an occasional painting or architectural rendering, but mostly spent his spare time doing woodworking or design-oriented construction projects. In 2009 he became a member of Three Cities Art Club, which sparked his desire to continually cre-

ate new works of art. Since that time he has amassed a large body of work. Many of his pieces will be on display and available for purchase at D&M Studio.

Alpers has had an interest in photography and painting for more than 30 years. He concentrated more on his painting until recently when he realized that photography was becoming more important in his artistic expression. Over the past 10 years, in his spare time, he has taught art at D & M Art Studio. In the corporate world, Alpers is a Web developer, which influences his ability to visualize light patterns in nature for his photography.

This is his first photography exhibit. For more information, call (734) 453-3710, e-mail dmartist1@aol.com or visit www.dmartstudio.com.

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Restaurant crawl benefits theater

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, in a joint effort with the Friends of the Penn, will present their 6th Annual PENN-Tastic Downtown Plymouth Restaurant Crawl 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 28. "Crawlers" can walk around downtown Plymouth enjoying delicious samples and treats from many of their favorite Plymouth restaurants and sweet shops.

This year's participants include Box Bar; Cellar 849; Compari's; Ironwood Grill; Jimmy John's; Nico & Vali Italian Eatery; Panera; Perfectly Sweet/Boule and Yogurt Palooza. Attendees will get a chance to vote for their favorite taste and restaurant.

Tickets must be purchased in advance and are available at the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, 850 W. Ann Arbor Trail, and Sun & Snow, 388 Main, in downtown Plymouth. Adult tickets are \$20, and children 10 and under are \$15. For more information on the Crawl, call

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Karen Kron of Livonia, (left) is Artie, Autumn Thiellesen of Ferndale is Echo and Stephanie Nichols of Troy plays Dorothea in UDM Theatre Company's production of "Eleemosynary."



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Drama kicks off Theatre Company season

UDM Theatre Company alumnus Karen Kron of Livonia will help usher in the theater's 41st season with her portrayal of "Artie" in Leo Blessing's *Eleemosynary*. The play, which opens Sept. 30, also features Actor Equity Association member Stephanie Nichols of Troy as Dorothea.

Eleemosynary will run Friday-Sunday, through Oct. 9, at the Marygrove Theatre, 8425 W. McNichols, Detroit. Friday-Saturday performances are at 8 p.m. and Sunday shows are at 2 p.m.

From the eccentric to the cerebral, a mother, daughter and granddaughter live and re-live their relationships with each other, while coming to a personal understanding of the word 'charity' in this poignant play.

After a life lived trying to justify and celebrate her existence as a woman,

Dorothea suffers a stroke and is cared for by her granddaughter, Echo, played by Autumn Thiellesen of Ferndale. Dorothea's daughter, Artie, long since alienated from both her mother and her daughter, is intellectually gifted, yet emotionally unavailable and unable to maintain a presence in either of their lives. *Eleemosynary* plucks the often delicate strings which bind three generations of mother to daughter.

Adult admission is \$18. Student admission is \$9. Group tickets are available for parties of 10 or more at \$13 per ticket for adults and \$7 for students. A \$3 service fee per order will be charged for non-subscribers. No service fees will be charged to students. Box office hours are noon-5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday. The Box office will move to the theatre for performances and open one hour

prior to curtain. For tickets, call the box office at (313) 993-3270 or reserve tickets online at <http://theatre.udmrcy.edu>.

The Theatre Company will celebrate Season 41 by offering a four-show subscription package for \$41, a savings of 45 percent off regular ticket prices. A one time \$5 processing fee for subscription orders will be charged. All processing fees throughout the season will be waived for subscribers when exchanging tickets. Season tickets are available through Oct. 9. A Student Flex Pass also is available for any full-time student currently enrolled in high school, community college or university. The Student Flex Pass is \$20 and gives students access to unlimited performances of all four shows. A student picture ID is required to purchase a Student Flex Pass.

Auditions set for national anthem singers

The Detroit Pistons organization is looking for singers who can belt out *The Star Spangled Banner* with style and ease before a crowd of 22,076 fans during the team's home games.

Tryouts will be held beginning at 3 p.m., Sept. 28 at The Palace of Auburn Hills. Singers will be given 80 seconds to sing the anthem a cappella on the arena floor and a select few will be chosen to sing before a 2011-12 regular season Pistons game. Singers must be 11 or older to be eligible and 11- to 18-year-olds must have consent from a parent or guardian.

"Every year we receive more tapes than we have games to sing the anthem," said Tim Dameron, game presentation manager for Palace Sports & Entertainment. "Our goal with tryouts is to give some uniquely talented singers the opportunity to showcase their skills for The Palace crowd."

There is a \$25 registration fee for individuals who sign up before Sept 20 and \$30 after. As part of the registration fee, participants will receive a 200-level ticket to a future Detroit Pistons game and an opportunity to purchase additional 200-level tickets at a discounted price.

Interested singers can register online at www.pistons.com or by calling Tamara Mires in the Pistons sales office at (248) 377-0175 or e-mailing to tmires@palacenet.com.

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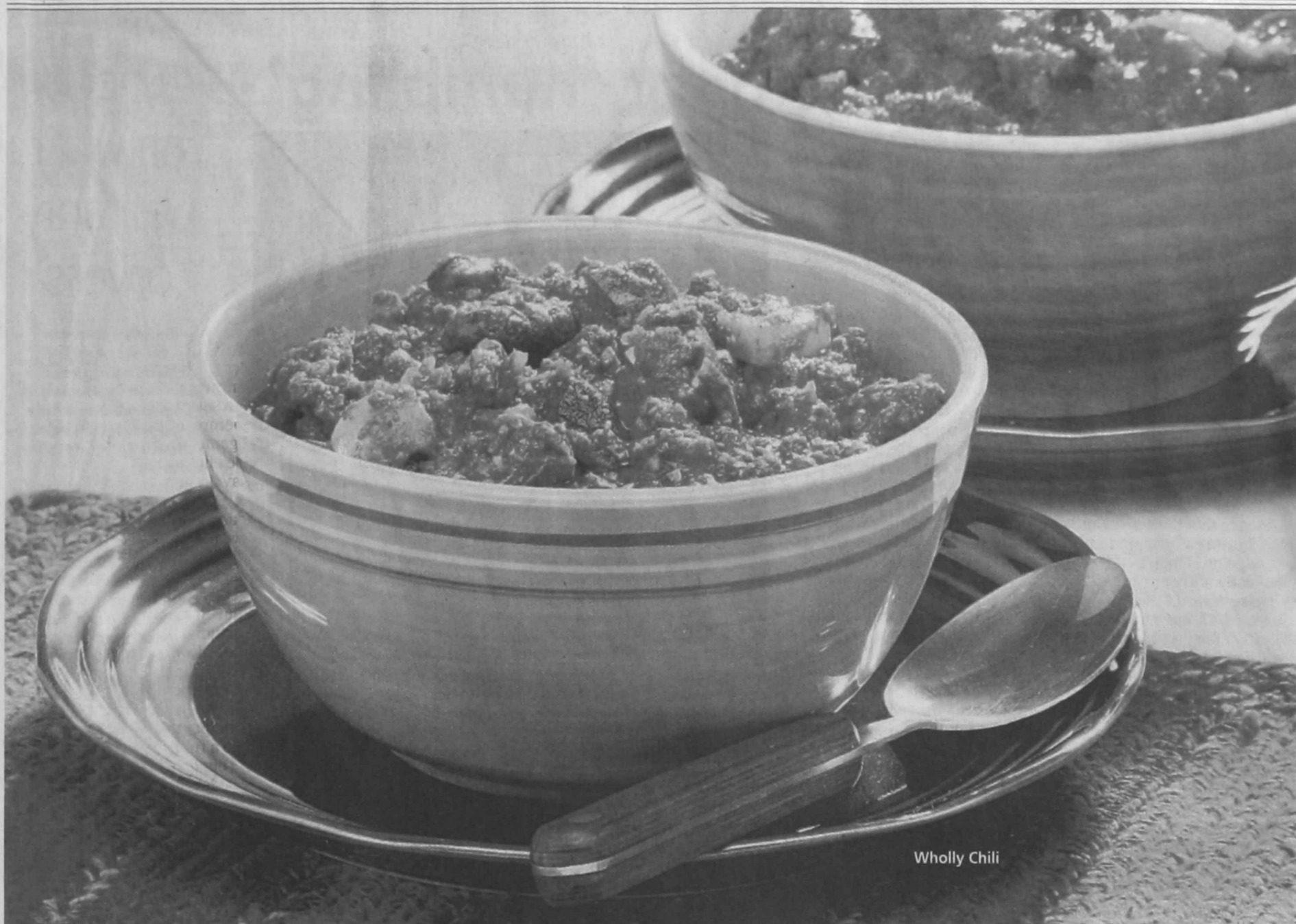
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GAME ON! Tips and recipes for a game-day party

You know watching a game is more fun with a bunch of friends — so why not host a game-day party so everyone can cheer on the home team together? Use these tips and recipes as your playbook for a game-day party that scores big on taste and fun.

Chili Champs

- Let guests get in on the food fun by hosting a chili cook-off as part of the party. Invite everyone to bring their favorite chili to compete for bragging rights. Offer fun awards for “Hottest,” “Best Tasting” and “Most Creative Ingredients.” You can also have awards for “Best Named Chili” and encourage fun names like “Devil’s Breath Chili” and “Buzzard’s Beak Beef ‘n Beans.”

- Set up a toppings bar so everyone can load up on their favorite add ins. Include different kinds of cheeses, peppers, onions, guacamole, salsa, queso and sour cream. Have some crackers and corn bread, too — they’re easy items for non-chili cookers to bring.

Dip Tips

Dips are must-have munchies for hungry fans. And there are plenty of ways you can keep them satisfied:

- Keep it simple — Pick up some ready-to-eat dips such as guacamole and spicy salsa. These dips bring great taste to the game-day table — with no fuss from you.

- Make it hearty — Feed the frenzy with a hearty Seven Layer Dip and plenty of chips. You can make it the day before and set it out about 30 minutes before kickoff to bring it up to room temperature.

- Shake things up — Step up your game by setting out a wide variety of dippers. Have different types of chips like blue corn, sweet potato and salt and vinegar. Get flavored crackers, pita chips and a veggie tray, too.

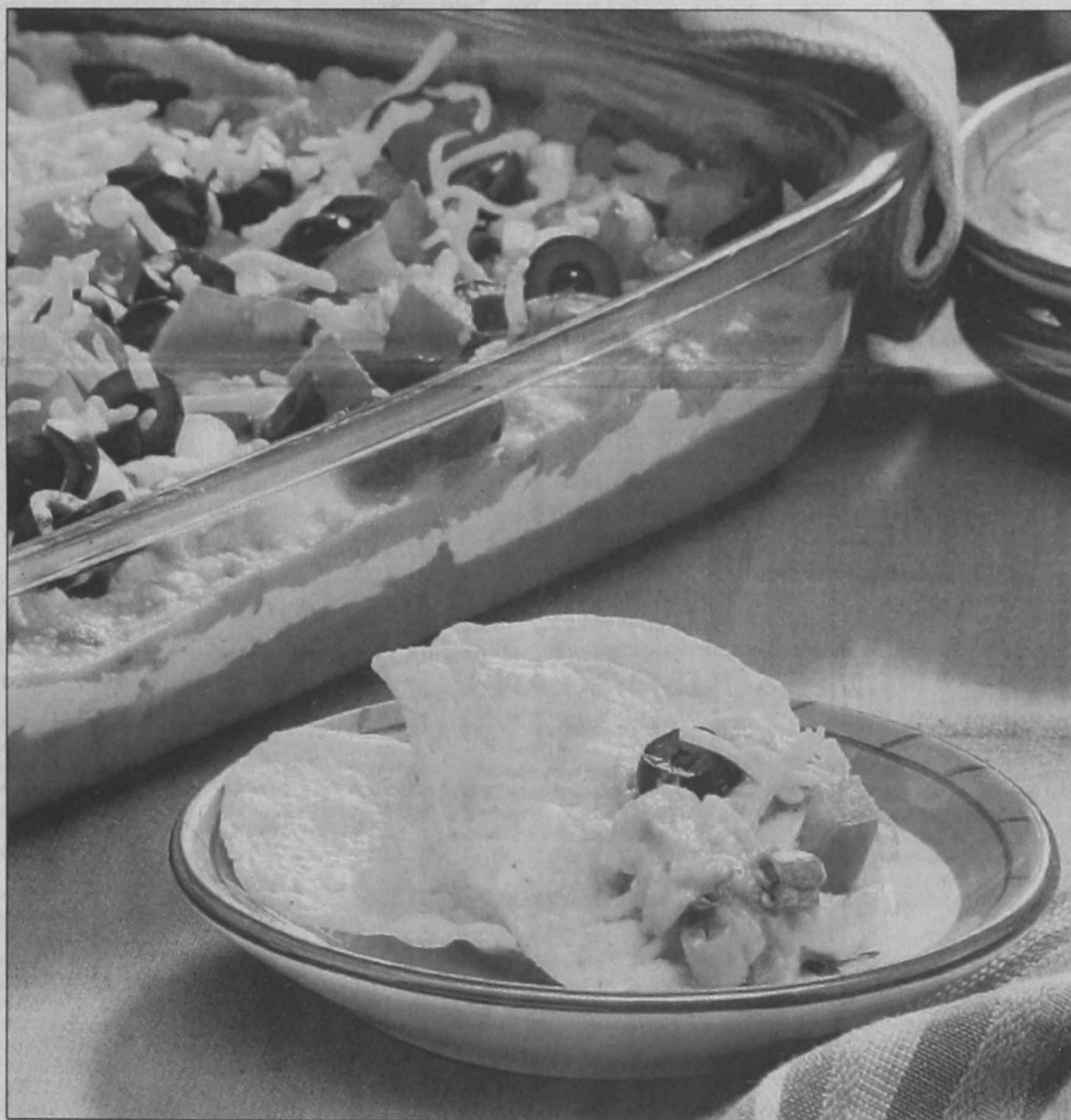
- Make it fancy — Dress things up a bit with cherry tomatoes stuffed with guacamole, or a warm and savory crab dip.

Party Pizzas

- Scratch delivery and frozen pizzas from your playbook. Try a fresh and easy homemade pizza like the California Confetti Pizza. Cut it up into appetizer sized bites to make it even easier to eat.

- Set up a pizza bar with heat-and-eat crusts in full and mini sizes that can be piled up with everyone’s toppings of choice. Then, pop them under the broiler or on the grill for a few minutes for quick, customized pizzas.

For more great game-day recipes, visit www.eatwholly.com.



Seven Layer Dip



California Confetti Pizza

Wholly Chili

3 tablespoons canola oil
4 cups chopped yellow onion
2 large Poblano chilis, diced
3 tablespoons minced garlic
5 pounds ground meat
2 tablespoons kosher salt
2 teaspoons black pepper
1½ tablespoons ground cumin
2 tablespoons Mexican oregano
1½ tablespoons onion powder
3 tablespoons paprika
8 tablespoons chili powder
2 12-ounce cans tomato paste
28 ounces salsa (spiciness depends on you)
3 quarts chicken stock
2 tablespoons Tabasco

Heat oil over medium heat in a large stock pot. When hot, add the onion, Poblano and garlic. Sweat until onions are translucent.

Add ground meat and stir to break it up. When meat is completely brown, drain and return to heat.

Add dried seasonings and stir to combine. Add tomato paste, stir to combine, and allow it to cook for 5 minutes. Add all of the rest of the ingredients, and simmer for 30 minutes. Taste to see if you need any more salt.

For a thicker version (for hot dogs, chili burgers, etc.), omit the chicken stock.

California Confetti Pizza

4 ounces guacamole
1 12-inch purchased, baked pizza bread shell
1 tablespoon olive oil
½ cup corn kernels, fresh or canned
½ cup salsa (amount of heat depends on you)
½ cup thinly sliced green onions
½ cup chopped Anaheim chile
½ cup red bell pepper
1 cup Feta cheese
1 tablespoon chopped, fresh oregano

Brush pizza bread shell with olive oil. Spread salsa over shell. Spread guacamole over salsa. Sprinkle corn, green onions, Anaheim chile, bell pepper, cheese and oregano on top.

Drizzle with 1 tablespoon olive oil.

Bake at 450°F until cheese is lightly browned, about 10 minutes.

Courtesy of Family Features

Seven Layer Dip

1 16-ounce can non-fat refried beans
1 9-ounce can bean dip
2 7-ounce packages guacamole, such as Wholly Guacamole in Classic, Spicy or one of each
1 16-ounce container light sour cream (can substitute plain Greek yogurt)

½ package taco seasoning
½ teaspoon ground cumin
1 small can sliced black olives
1 large diced tomato
3 green onions, finely chopped
1 cup shredded cheddar cheese
Mix refried beans and bean dip together and spread onto the bottom of a 9- by 13-inch pan.

Next, mix sour cream (or yogurt) together with taco seasoning and cumin. Spread on top of the beans in the pan.

Spread guacamole on top of the previous layers then add olives, green onion and tomatoes. Top with the shredded cheese and serve with your favorite chips.

BIA's Stoskopf: honor 'humbling'

By Julie Brown
O&E Staff Writer

three," he said.

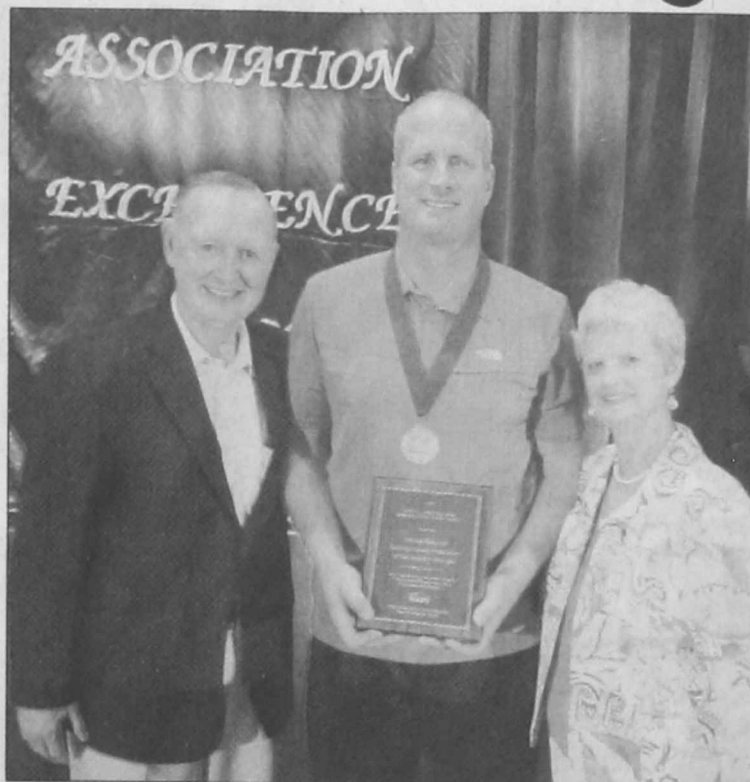
Stoskopf's been married almost 25 years to Wendi. The couple has two children ages 20 and 17.

The New Executive Officer award is named after a former executive officer, David Lloyd, and is presented to an executive officer of one of NAHB's local or state home builders associations, who has served no more than three years (by Dec. 31 of the award year) in an association management position and is judged to have made major contributions to the profession during this time period. Stoskopf became executive officer of BIA in April 2008, succeeding Irvin H. Yackness who had filled the position for 56 years, until his death in July 2007.

"I knew that I'd been submitted," Stoskopf said. "I had no idea until they announced my name I was the winner. A complete surprise."

Although nominations for the award were submitted in April 2011, the honoree's name is kept under wraps until August. The award was announced at the council's annual meeting in Naples, Fla., recently.

The award nomination was submitted by BIA's 2011 president, Adorno Piccinini of Walbridge in Detroit. "I strongly believe Michael brings an outstanding level of creativity, innovation, experience, insight and energy to the position. I was fortunate to be involved in the decision to bring him on board just three years ago and have worked closely with him ever since. Hiring Michael as our executive officer has proven to be an excellent decision," said



Robert R. Jones (left) of Robert R. Jones Homes and immediate past chairman of the National Association of Home Builders, Michael Stoskopf of the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan and Carole Jones of Robert R. Jones Homes in Naples, Fla., where Stoskopf was named New Executive Officer of the Year by the Executive Officers Council of the National Association of Home Builders.

Adorno in a statement.

In supporting material for the award nomination, BIA's First Vice President Richard Kligman of Superb

Custom Homes in Plymouth said, "In addition to all his valuable business acumen, Michael has an innate ability to get along with people and instinctively supports them, particularly during difficult junctures. Our Executive Committee, Board of Directors, membership and

staff know that we have an excellent leader in place. We are proud of what he has accomplished, grateful for his leadership and we look forward to working with him in the coming years. We all benefit from his encouragement, his motivation and his energy."

Stoskopf is the seventh executive officer to serve during BIA's 83-year history.

The BIA contributed to this report.

Check on what warranty covers

By Robert Meisner
Guest Columnist

Q: We are getting a home warranty from our seller and I am wondering whether or not that is going to protect us with respect to problems that have come up in the condominium.

A: It may or may not as there has been much discourse regarding the adequacy of home warranties and the unwillingness on the part of many home warranty companies to replace as opposed to repairing an item. In checking out the

type of warranty you are getting, find out, obviously, who is giving the warranty and find out exactly what the



Robert Meisner

contract covers and how much the service fee is. For example, pools, spa tubs and other specialty items might not be included. Also check to see whether the company has policies on pre-existing conditions and whether those repairs would be covered. Find out how the company handles complaints about the contractors who handle repairs and ask whether the company will let you buy a new appliance or item at a reduced rate if you would rather have it replaced than repaired. In short, a warranty is only as good as the company behind it and the language that is used in the warranty agreement itself. Get your real estate lawyer specialist to review the warranty as part of a review of your purchase agreement before you sign on the dotted line and always provide a lawyer review contingency in the purchase agreement.

Q: Is it a good idea to have a husband and wife on the board of our condominium?

A: I must respond by saying that it "proverbially" all depends. First, the documents have to provide that both the husband and wife, being presumably joint owners of the condominium, have the right to individually serve on the board. Secondly, the potential husband and wife team must recognize that it could create strife internally in their family. Also, it may create the impression that one family is running the show so to speak and it may create ill will. On the other hand, if the husband and wife were elected by the populace, one can always argue that it was the co-owners' decision to allow them to serve on the board jointly. Sometimes, because of necessity and/or apathy, it necessary to get a level-headed board member and it may end up being the spouse of one of the present directors. In short, it all depends upon the circumstances.

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 May 31 to June 3, 2011, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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47959 Cardiff Ave	\$80,000
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49817 Courtyard Ln	\$189,000
7101 Foxcreek Dr	\$185,000
45237 Indian Creek Dr	\$183,000
42784 Lilley Pointe Dr	\$55,000
636 Merrimac Rd	\$121,000
3847 Norwich Dr	\$77,000

4015 Norwich Dr	\$85,000
2266 Paddock Ln	\$155,000
47478 Parkgate Ct	\$378,000
42560 Saratoga Rd	\$60,000
GARDEN CITY	
6878 Arcola St	\$34,000
28569 Maplewood St	\$50,000
30355 Rush St	\$58,000
1032 W Rose Ave	\$105,000
LIVONIA	
13904 Beatrice St	\$130,000
16731 Blue Skies Dr	\$173,000
29506 Bobrich St	\$23,000
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9174 Tavistock Dr	\$150,000
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15490 Dixie	\$13,000
18329 Poinciana	\$45,000
8805 Salem	\$51,000
24218 W Chicago	\$25,000
WESTLAND	
38513 Avondale St	\$64,000
6600 Central City Pkwy	\$83,000
33520 Harvard Ave	\$125,000
483 N Bryar St	\$105,000
6305 N Wayne Rd	\$10,000
8160 Parkside Dr	\$166,000
38539 Red Oak St	\$65,000
34111 Sheridan St	\$81,000
7322 W Frumin Ct	\$56,000

HOMES SOLD-OAKLAND

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of May 23-27, 2011, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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BIRMINGHAM	
1283 E Melton Rd	\$105,000
2134 Fairway Dr	\$308,000
1807 Hazel St	\$118,000
740 Henley St	\$380,000
1550 Tully Ct	\$252,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
425 Dunston Rd	\$540,000
1231 Harrow Cir	\$350,000

1940 Klingensmith Rd Unit 43	\$53,000
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2620 Alveston Dr	\$145,000
3740 Burning Tree Dr	\$227,000
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5410 Hollow Dr	\$285,000
5075 Inkster Rd	\$175,000
1940 Klingensmith Rd Unit 43	\$75,000
4130 Sandy Ln	\$387,000
3009 Woodcreek Way	\$390,000
COMMERCE TOWNSHIP	
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2739 Augusta Dr	\$237,000
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33306 Oakland Ave	\$161,000
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29768 Drake Rd	\$118,000
26381 Dundalk St	\$125,000

28089 Hickory Dr	\$240,000
29310 Laurel Dr	\$80,000
39224 Silverthorne Bnd	\$252,000
39275 Silverthorne Bnd	\$258,000
39276 Silverthorne Bnd	\$271,000
39312 Silverthorne Bnd	\$262,000
25658 Skye Dr	\$168,000
FRANKLIN	
26585 Woodlore Rd	\$415,000
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18797 Wiltshire Blvd	\$80,000
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1105 Riverside St	\$225,000
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50702 Amesburg Dr	\$492,000
50654 Billenca Dr	\$495,000
50750 Calvert Isle Dr	\$518,000

22346 Carlisle Ct	\$385,000
42038 Cherry Hill Rd	\$99,000
46401 Grand River Ave	\$271,000
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24425 Olde Orchard St	\$58,000
24330 Saybrook Ct	\$555,000
SOUTH LYON	
430 E Liberty St	\$26,000
61845 Richfield St	\$115,000
SOUTHFIELD	
15945 Addison St	\$32,000
20330 Alhambra St	\$63,000
30540 Balewood St	\$93,000
19751 Jeanette St	\$36,000
29085 Marshall St	\$10,000
17160 Nadora St	\$80,000
29470 Northbrook Ct	\$56,000
25024 Pendleton Dr	\$32,000
WHITE LAKE	
1801 Bogie Lake Rd	\$145,000

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Career Seminar

Keller Williams Realty will offer a Career Seminar 6:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15, at 40600 Ann Arbor Road, Suite 100, Plymouth. Attendees will learn about the \$50,000 income guarantee and free pre-licensing course.

For more information, contact Lesley Aiello at (734) 459-4700 or laiello@kw.com.

Designation

Bartley Patterson has received his CCS "Certified Commercial Specialist" designation.

The CCS designation is designed to be the first step into the commercial marketplace with detailed training on effective pricing, ROI analysis and investment opportunities. Patterson said, "This will be a great opportunity to participate in the commercial market in the surrounding areas of Canton and Plymouth. I look forward to using this training to help clients make advised decisions in the commercial marketplace."



Bart Patterson

Patterson has been a licensed residential Realtor since 1986 and started with RE/MAX Classic at that same time. He is currently the vice president and general manager of RE/MAX Classic and will continue in that capacity. Patterson has also served his community in many areas as chairman of the Board for the Canton Chamber of Commerce, chair of the Technology Committee and is a member of the Marketing Partnership with the Canton Township, Canton Chamber or Commerce and the Downtown Development Authority. He also serves on the Board of Directors for the local Western Wayne Oakland County Area Association of Realtors.

BIA

•Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will present the

Real Estate Continuing Education Course on Tuesday, Sept. 20, and again on Thursday, Oct. 13, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Association Offices, 2075 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield.

Lori Chmura of Middleton Training will present an update on real estate law and practices as required for six hours of state-mandated Real Estate Continuing Education. Only one of the two classes is required.

Registration is \$80 per person for BIA members and \$125 per person for guests. Continental breakfast and lunch are included in the registration. For registration information, call (248) 862-1002 or register online at www.builders.org.

•Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will present the BIA 2011 Golf Outing and Inaugural Michigan Association of Home Builders (MAHB) Golf Challenge on Tuesday, Sept. 27, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at The Links Of Novi, 50395 W. 10

Mile, Novi. The golf course is located at 10 Mile and Beck. The event sponsor is Carter Lumber.

Registration and range practice begins at 9:00 a.m. with a 10 a.m. shotgun start. Lunch is included at the turn. A buffet steak dinner and awards start at 3 p.m. Three four-somes will be selected to represent BIA as part of the Inaugural MAHB Region VII Golf Challenge against teams from the home builders associations of Greater Ann Arbor, Lenawee County, Monroe County and Metro Flint. The association with the lowest three-team combined score will be awarded the 2011 Trophy and bragging rights for the next year. To be eligible to participate in the Golf

Challenge, all participants from a foursome must be current association members.

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- Tumbler's pad
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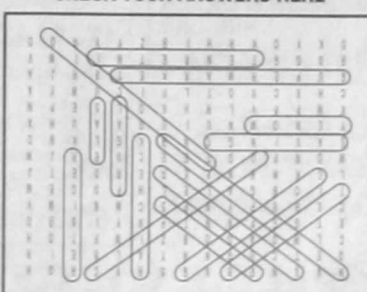
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Ann Arbor Antiques Market

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