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Local students safe after London blasts

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

When Plymouth Historical Museum Director Beth Stewart heard about the explosions on the bus and subway systems in London, her thoughts quickly turned to her daughter, Sarah, who is among 53 students from Grand Valley State University studying in Great Britain this summer. "She's on the tube (subway) at least five times a day," said Stewart. "They go everywhere on that."



Sarah Stewart

"I was a little bit restless," said Stewart, after hearing about the terrorist actions. "But, Sarah called at 6 o'clock and gave us more information. It was a scary thing, that's for sure."

When Stewart first heard the news at 5 a.m. Wednesday, the early information was that it may have been caused by a power surge. But, soon afterward, it became apparent it was more than that.

Sarah Stewart had become very familiar with the subway system, writing in a July 3 e-mail that "The tube system can get you anywhere in like 10 minutes."

Stewart and some of her classmates went to see the bus that was blown up by terrorists.

"The city today was pretty shook up by all the events but I think/hope that the police will have everything under control by tomorrow," she wrote. "We probably know as much as you do about the attacks and just hope that things can be resolved, and will pray

for the victims in the meantime.

"We went out for a little bit in the afternoon today and the city was pretty calm. The buses were already running again and the underground will be up by tomorrow," she said. "Thank you for your love and concern."

Sarah Stewart's father, State Rep. John Stewart, R-Plymouth Township, said receiving Sarah's telephone call was the best news he could have received.

"It was a relief," said Stewart. "You get very possessive. I don't want to lose my baby."

"You want your kids to enjoy some of the best years of their lives," he said. "Go to college, spend a summer abroad, enjoy and become acquainted with all the cultures. You don't want them to be wiped out in some subway, that's the most horrible thought in the world."

Mark Schaub, the executive director of the Barbara H. Padnos International Center at Grand Valley State University, said all 53 students were accounted for by 8:45 a.m.

PLEASE SEE STUDENTS, A5

Downtown focuses on fun for All-Star week

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Downtown Plymouth focuses on the national pastime Monday and Tuesday as the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce hopes to hit a home run with All-Star Game activities, including contests and games for kids.

"We want to be part of the fun for (Tuesday's) All-Star Game at Comerica Park," said Fran Toney, chamber executive director. "It's a family kind of event, and we're a family kind of town."

"We're trying to entice people who are coming to game from out of town to come to Plymouth for something to do," she said.

Toney said there will be someone hawking programs, which are actually coupon books to save money at downtown stores. And, a contest to identify Detroit Tigers players to win a \$50 gift certificate.

"It's like a home run," said Toney. "You have to find first, second and third base, along with home plate, at area merchants, and write down the name of the Tigers player on the window."

Sandy Marulis, owner of Michigan Made, is handling the games for youngsters from 3 to 10 years old along Main Street, including Hula-Hoops, jump ropes and a bean bag toss, with prizes for everybody.

"We're an all-star city," said Marulis. "We have so many activities for our community, and it works together to promote itself. Besides, we're always looking for a reason to have a party. We just want to bring people together to have fun."

The Burger Spot will have its hot dog wagon out and about, and the Kiwanis popcorn cart will be up and running. On Tuesday at noon, State Rep. John Stewart, R-Plymouth Township, will lead everyone in singing "The Star-Spangled Banner" on Main Street.

Activities both days from noon to 4 p.m. in downtown Plymouth.

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Chalking one up

Philip Delacruz, an artist from San Diego, works on his chalk masterpiece, a reproduction of Grant Wood's 'American Gothic,' during the opening hours of Plymouth's Art in the Park festival Friday. It's the second year Delacruz has come to Art in the Park and worked with the folks from D&M Art Studios in Canton. Sig Skundberg, an instructor at D&M, assists Delacruz. The festival continues through 5 p.m. today (Sunday).

Locals want parks money spent locally

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

As Wayne County prepares to ask voters to renew a millage which raises \$11.5 million annually for maintaining and improving county parks, local government officials are demanding their fair share.

Since 1968, Wayne County communities - via the millage - have contributed \$68 million over the last nine years to fund projects at the county's 12 parks. During that time span, residents in Plymouth have subscribed \$600,000 through the millage, without any of the money being spent within the city limits.

As the millage renewal comes up for a vote on the Aug. 2 ballot, Plymouth Mayor Pro Tem Dan Dwyer is dissatisfied.

"That's clearly bad government, in my eyes," said Dwyer. "It's pathetic. I'd rather see us do our own recreation millage. It would be incredible what Steve (Anderson, deputy recreation director) could do with \$600,000."

Anderson admitted he could put that kind of money to good use.

"We could do everything from programming to capital improvements," said Anderson. "New fencing, lighting for the fields, scoreboards, maintenance equipment, and amenities like dugouts and covered soccer benches."

"I think a local community would have a better idea of the immediate needs than a regional government," he said.

Plymouth Township residents have contributed \$2.9 million from 1997-2004. According to Wayne County, it has put back \$993,000 in the community. However, Supervisor Richard Reaume said all of that money has been spent on Hines Park property located within Plymouth Township, not directly on township programs.

"We're at the mercy of the Wayne County commission and how they spend the money," said Reaume.

PLEASE SEE PARKS, A5

Youngster 'bottles' up energy to help fountain project

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

Danny Giguere had heard about the plan for the community's youth to be involved in replacing the broken fountain in Kellogg Park. He was also in a position where he needed a community service project for school. And, being a good student at

Plymouth High School, Giguere put two and two together and came up with a plan of his own.

Giguere, the son of Al and Marilyne Giguere of Plymouth who just completed his sophomore year, got in touch with city manager Paul Sincock to let him know he wanted to help. The next thing he knew, Sincock was accepting a check for \$300.

"He called and said I'd like to do a bottle drive in my neighborhood," recalled Sincock. "I was in awe, because here's a young man who took the initiative and just did it. He cut through any bureaucracy and said, 'Who do I make the check out to?' I was so impressed."

Giguere designed a flier he then distributed around his Ridgewood Hills neighborhood, asking neigh-

bors to donate bottles and cans. He then made the trek to collect bags of donations people had left on their porches.

"People really responded to it," Danny Giguere said. "Most of the people left their donations on the porch, but some brought them out to me, and a lot of them told me

PLEASE SEE FOUNTAIN, A5



Danny Giguere sent out fliers to some 300 homes in Ridgewood Hills, then collected more than 2,600 bottles and cans to help finance the replacement of the fountain.

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Low vision support

The Plymouth District Library continues to expand services for members of the area who are experiencing reduced vision capabilities. A low vision support group will meet 1-3 p.m. at the library on the first Thursday of each month. The first meeting will be held at 1 p.m. Aug. 4. This gathering will provide an opportunity for sharing advice on coping skills and adaptive technologies in an informal supportive atmosphere. A qualified facilitator will lead the group.

Library staff members will be on hand at each meeting to provide assistance with library equipment, services and offerings. Currently, the library offers large print books, magazines and newspapers, audio books on cassette and CD, magnifying glasses for loan, Optelec large screen viewer and a large screen computer monitor. The library also offers occasional programs to address vision issues. All these services are free and open to members of other communities as well.

The Plymouth District Library is located at 223 S Main in downtown Plymouth. For more information, contact Ellen Stross, adult reference librarian, 734-453-0750, Ext. 232 or estross@plymouthlibrary.org

Restaurant crawl

The Plymouth Chamber of Commerce and the restaurants of Old Village sponsor the sixth annual Taste of Plymouth's Old Village Restaurant Crawl, from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 10. Participating restaurants include Plymouth Crossing, Plymouth Fish & Seafood, Station 885, Hermann's Olde

Town Grille, Grecian Cafe and 542 My Place.

Horse-and-carriage rides will be free for ticket holders. Tickets cost \$15 per person with children 12 and younger eating for \$5. Tickets can be purchased by phone using Visa or MasterCard through the chamber office. Tickets are also available at Plymouth Crossing, Plymouth Fish & Seafood, Station 885 and the chamber office.

For more information, call the chamber office, (734) 453-1540.

Call for Art

The Plymouth Community Arts Council is accepting entries for the August art exhibit, "Landscapes & Vistas." This second annual memorial show is in honor of Canton artist Connie Lucas. It is non-juried and open to the first 40 artists submitting framed two-dimensional work depicting scenes, landscapes or vistas. The exhibit will be open to the public beginning Aug. 2 through Aug. 29.

To request an entry form or for more information, call the PCAC at (734) 416-4278.

'Lemonade' guest

"Lemonade," WSDP-88.1's show by and for local seniors airs a special interview with author Elmore Leonard at 10:30 a.m. July 27.

Lemonade is hosted by Plymouth resident Betty Smith and airs every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. on 88.1 FM. Each week Smith spotlights news for local seniors. She also interviews interesting people and seniors living an active life. Smith tops off each show with a selection of jazz from her extensive record collection. Leonard just released his 40th novel, "The Hot Kid."

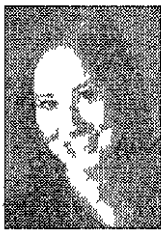


To 'dye' for

Mackenzie Rogers (left) and Pranavi Midathada of Plymouth enjoy tie-dyeing T-shirts at one of the library's teen events this week. The Teen Summer Reading program continues with a variety of events to include chess workshops on July Wednesdays and a rock concert with Detroit band High Strung at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, July 24. For more information on teen programs, call (734) 453-0750 Ext. 4 or go to <http://plymouthlibrary.org/yasrp2005/yasrp2005.htm>

Dul scholarship

Aubrey Oldford, daughter of Larry and Michelle Oldford, has received a scholarship from the Dul Foundation in Plymouth.



Oldford

Oldford enters her junior year this fall at Michigan State University with plans to graduate in May 2007 with a degree in political science/pre-law. Oldford is a Deans List student who this summer had the opportunity to study abroad in eastern Europe.

As a Fox Hills Golf & Country Club employee, Oldford was eligible to apply for this scholarship. Her mother, Michelle Oldford, is employed with Clips & Clamps Industries as sales and marketing manager. Oldford's excellent academic achievements were deciding factors in her being selected as a scholarship recipient.

The Dul Family owners of Clips & Clamps Industries and Fox Hills Golf & Country Club established a yearly scholarship fund seven years ago for employees and their families. This year, four winners received scholarships for the 2004-05 academic year.

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Honors for 40

Federal-Mogul Corporation recently honored Plymouth resident Phil Himebaugh for his 40 years of employee service. Himebaugh is a human resources manager for the Aftermarket Human Resources group at Federal-Mogul's world headquarters in Southfield.

Himebaugh began his career with Federal-Mogul in 1965 as a purchasing manager at the former Coldwater worldwide distribution center. He became a personnel manager in 1969. From 1972 to the present, Himebaugh has held various human resources positions, within both the corporate and Aftermarket groups, in Southfield.

Himebaugh is also actively involved in his community. He is the chairman of the board of trustees for Mt. Hope Congregational Church in Livonia and the past president of the Plymouth Lions Club. Himebaugh also served on the

Coldwater United Fund Board and was a member of the Coldwater Rotary Club. He also participates each year in a community outreach called Paint the Town.

Family picnic

New Liberty Bank sponsors a 'Neighborhood Picnic' from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 16, featuring a petting farm, live entertainment and plenty of food.

Red Gate Petting Farm will have miniature donkeys, horses and sheep, pygmy goats, alpacas, ducks, chickens, bunnies, a potbellied pig, hedgehog, guinea pig and one very friendly little dog.

Entertainment will be provided by local band Phoenix, and the event will also feature miniature golf and an obstacle course.

New Liberty Bank is located at 1333 Ann Arbor Road, just west of Main. For more information, call (734) 455-1511.

Plymouth reunion

The reunion committee is organizing a 30-year reunion for Plymouth-Canton graduates of the Class of 1975.

The reunion is scheduled from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, at the Renaissance Ballroom at the Holiday Inn-Livonia-West. Dinner is at 7 p.m. The \$50 per-person cost covers dinner, dancing and good conversation. A cash bar will be available.

For graduates planning to be in town Friday night, the group will attend the Salem-Canton football game, followed by the traditional stop at The Box Bar in downtown Plymouth. Tickets at the gate are \$3.

The committee is also planning a memory CD with updated information on classmates. In order to publish the CD, classmates can help by completing questionnaires provided by the committee.

For anyone needing accommodations, a special package has been arranged at the Holiday Inn-Livonia-West. Reservations must be made by Oct. 1 and mention must be made of the Class of 1975 reunion.

For information on the CD, the reunion and for reservations, call Robin Neuman Maslyk (734) 459-6950, Jodi Overhold Ring (734) 455-6297, Mark Stamper, (734)

453-0301, Dan Herrman, (734) 459-5396, or e-mail PCEP1975@aol.com

Sports camps

The Plymouth YMCA is now registering for all summer sports day camps.

The Plymouth YMCA offers basketball, soccer, baseball, volleyball, and poms/cheer-leading camps. Call the YMCA at (734) 453-2904 for details.

Masonic breakfast

An all-you-can-eat breakfast is sponsored each Saturday through October by four local service organizations at the Masonic Temple in downtown Plymouth across from Kellogg Park.

Proceeds raised from the breakfast — which includes eggs, pancakes, bacon, sausage, hash browns, biscuits and gravy, coffee and juice — are used to support community service projects in Plymouth and Canton.

Breakfast is served from 8-11 a.m. and the cost is \$7 for adults, \$3.50 for children 6-12, children under 6 eat free.

Storage space

The PCEP Senior Party is looking for donated storage space for large decorations.

Anyone wishing to donate space can contact Debra Madonna via e-mail at claron@storytellerdesign.com

Choir camps

This summer, the Plymouth Community Arts Council introduces evening "Show Choir" camps, meeting from 5:30-8 p.m. at the PCAC, 774 N. Sheldon in Plymouth.

The camps, which include singing and dancing for kids ages 8-14, are themed Disney Week (Aug. 1-5) and Motown Week (Aug. 15-19) and are highlighted with a performance at 7 p.m. on the last day for family and friends.

Each child will be in at least three "numbers" and have a chance at solos. A cost of \$105 for non-members and \$90 for PCAC members includes a T-shirt, costumes, music and instruction from an experienced and enthusiastic staff. Young actors are invited to sign up for one week or both.

Call the Plymouth Community Arts Council (734) 416-4278, to register or for more information.

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Washburn, symphony honored for programming

The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Music Director and Conductor Nan Washburn, is a recipient of the third place award for Programming of Contemporary Music, offered by the American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers and the American Symphony Orchestra League.



Nan Washburn



Ariel Toews

The award was presented at the American Symphony Orchestra League's 60th National Conference in Washington, D.C. It's the second time the PSO has been honored, and Washburn's 16th such award.

"I think one of the things we're really trying to do is not just do some contemporary music to 'do our duty,'" Washburn said. "It's really so much a part of the mission and incorporated into everything we do. We commissioned a new piece, so we're showing our fourth-graders it's OK to be an American composer. Bringing the composers in whenever we have a chance is a big plus for us. We're doing it with our regular programming and building our audience by incorporating new and different."

The Awards for Adventurous Programming, initiated by ASCAP in 1959, recognize American orchestras whose programs demonstrate a strong commitment to the works of contemporary composers. ASCAP has presented more than \$500,000 to orchestras.

The creation and performance of new works for orchestra is vital to the health of our art form, and we are proud to partner with ASCAP in recognizing at our National Conference orchestras that program the music of our time, said Henry Fogel, president and CEO of the American Symphony Orchestra League.

The League, a national service organization, is dedi-

cated to symphony orchestras and their music in America.

For more information on the PSO's 60th anniversary 'Diamond Jubilee' season, or to purchase tickets, contact the symphony office by phone at (734) 451-2112, by fax at (734) 451-3458, by e-mail at info@plymouthsymphony.org or in person at 470 Forest Avenue, Suite 18, in downtown Plymouth.

NEW ASSISTANT

The Plymouth Symphony Society also announced the appointment of Ariel Toews as the conductor of the Celebration Youth Orchestra and assistant conductor of the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra and Orchestra Canton.

Toews received her master's of music degree from the University of Michigan with a dual emphasis in band and choral conducting and earned her bachelor's of music degree in flute performance from the University of Denver.

She was chosen, in part, using feedback from youngsters who got a chance to interact with both finalists.

"We did a national search, and we're very pleased," Washburn said. "When (Toews) auditioned, the kids actually got to rate the candidates and give feedback. It was very interesting, because they had a good time with both candidates and I think they're really thrilled. And she's very excited about coming on board."

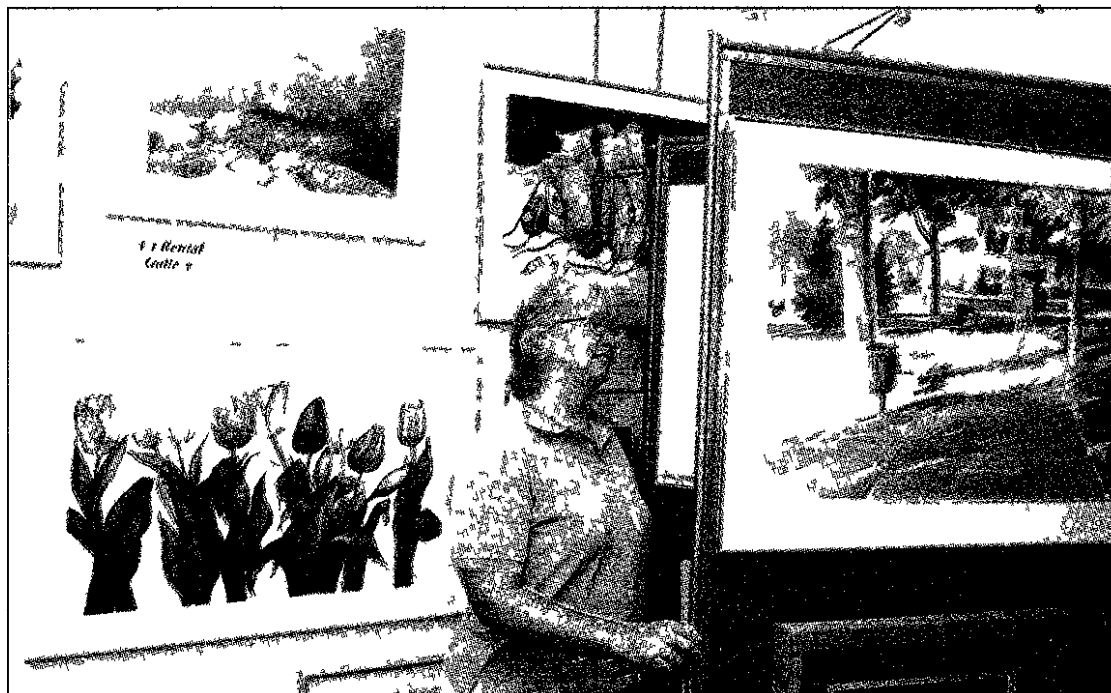
During her tenure at Michigan she was guest con-

ductor of the Orpheus Singers, University Choir, Concert and Campus Bands, as well as the famed University of Michigan Symphony Band. She also served on the graduate staff of the Michigan Marching Band and was the director of the University's Residential College Singers.

As a member of the University of Michigan Chamber Choir, Toews has performed Handel's Messiah with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and premiered Susan Botti's Cosmosis, a piece for symphony band, soprano soloist, and women choir, in Carnegie Hall. She was the winner of the 2002 Denver Young Artists Orchestra Conducting Competition and conducted the ensemble in their final Gala concert of that year.

Other guest conducting appearances include the University of Denver's Lamont Women's Chorus and the Lamont Wind Ensemble. From 1998-99 she was the assistant conductor of the Colorado Youth Symphony Orchestra. Currently, she is director of Chorus at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Ypsilanti and the interim band and orchestra director at Churchill High School in Livonia.

Toews begins her appointment in September. Auditions for the Celebration Youth Orchestra will begin Saturday, Sept. 10. The CYO is the youth orchestra supported by the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra. In fall 2005, the CYO will have two ensembles, the Celebration Sinfonia for string, wind, brass, and percussion students and the Celebration Strings. The CYO is dedicated to challenging and inspiring students through high level ensemble training and the performance of standard and new repertoire.



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Plymouth Community Arts Council Program Director Leslie Greeneisen looks through the Art Rental Gallery work.

Arts council fills walls, lives

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Want to spruce up the walls of your home or workplace? The Plymouth Community Arts Council has the answer.

For many years now, the arts council has operated an Art Rental Gallery, offering a variety of original artwork.

It's been around for almost as long as the arts council, about 30 years, said Stella Greene of Plymouth, executive director of the PCAC. "We've had as many as 350 pieces." The collection numbers around 230 now with artwork renting for \$8 a month or \$15 for two months.

The gallery is open during PCAC hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday.

Theresa Gall of Plymouth Township has been gallery chairwoman since the late 1970s, when the gallery was housed upstairs at the Plymouth District Library. These days, it's at the arts council office on Sheldon north of North Territorial/Penniman.

The founding mothers felt there was a definite need for people to have access to quality

art for their homes and offices," said Gall, who praises the volunteers who've helped her. Hours were shorter in the earlier days, and the collection has grown and moved to its current location.

FrameWorks in Plymouth does an excellent job with framing and matting, Gall added, including repairs. "Nobody wants to hang an inferior picture on their wall. Gall has found people like the option of buying something they've rented, and that the gallery's a good way to decorate inexpensively, even rotating seasonally."

It's a wonderful community service, she said. Plymouth is a growing community. There are always new people moving in. It's just a nice way to perk up a room, change the way everything looks.

Greene, also Plymouth's mayor, noted that two months' rental is applied to the purchase price. Mostly regional artists are featured and mostly original pieces.

"We have a Monet. We have a couple van Goghs," said Greene, noting prints count for only 10-15 percent of the rental collection.

A lot of businesses use us, Greene said. Employers enjoy



Gallery 774 at the Plymouth Community Arts Council sells the work of a number of artists.

giving their employees that personal latitude. Some pieces are large enough for business lobbies.

The Michigan Council for the Arts and Cultural Affairs has given limited grant money to buy works, she added.

We love to see people coming through, Greene said. In addition to the Art Rental Gallery, the adjacent Gallery 774 sells such original artwork as jewelry, pottery and fabric pieces.

And we always have an exhibit on display and they're always free to the public, Greene said.

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FOR THE RECORD

DEATHS

B
Virginia W Bake 89, of Plymouth, died July 1
Bernice Balsley, 100, of Milford, died July 1
Mary Alice Bill, of Northville, died July 2
Wilfred D Blackney of Detroit, died June 29

C
Robert W Corey, of Livonia died July 3
Francis E Covert, of Westland died June 30

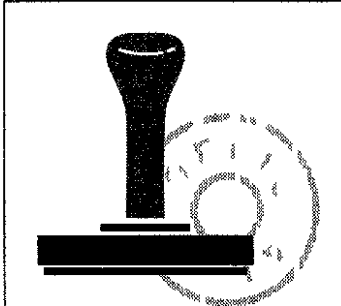
D
George Daraban, 80, of Northville, died July 5
John Adam Doege, 88, of Canton, formerly of Wayne, died June 30

E
John Wesley English, of Walled Lake died July 3,

H
Emma Marie Hivley, 101, of Wayne, died July 4
Ariene E Holdeman, 83, of Livonia died July 5

L
Jeane J Loewel, 86, of Farmington, died July 3

M
Robert William Mackey, 74 of Plymouth formerly of Wayne died July 6
Eunice Mandlik of Clarkston, died July 7
Juanita E McIntyre of Westland, died July 4



For the Record appears in every edition of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers
Complete paid obituaries can be found inside today's Community Life section in Passages on page C4

Ronald A Morgan, of Westland died June 30

S
Alfredo S Santilli, of Livonia, died June 30
Paul G Saunders, 42, of Clarkston, died July 6
Robert Lee Schacht, 79, of Livonia died June 27

T
John Thomas Martin Schiffman, 51, of Farmington Hills, died July 6
Margaret Sims of Garden City, died June 29
Kenneth Wesley Straub, 78 of Westland died July 6

W
Anne S Szaizanga, 82 of Lakeview Ark., July 4

W
Jack P Wilson 94, of Brighton formerly of Redford and Lakeland Fla died July 7

The Plymouth Community Fire Department responded to the following runs during the period June 29-July 5

■ Tuesday, July 5 — Smoke investigations on Pinecrest and on Northern, residential rescue runs on Pinecrest and on Schoolcraft, rescue run on Parkview, fire on Ann Arbor Road, rescue run to a public building/school on Ann Arbor Road

■ Monday, July 4 — Residential rescue runs on Northville Road, on Minehart, on Lorenz Way and on Partridge, rescue runs on Ann Arbor Trail, at Hines and Northville Road and at Haggerty and Ann Arbor Road, downed wires on Harding and at Joy and Fairground, brush fire at Joy and Haggerty, commercial rescue run on Ann Arbor Trail

■ Sunday, July 3 — Residential rescue runs on

Ann Arbor Road, on Barington, on Glenview, on Whittlesey Lake Drive and on Blanche, carbon monoxide detector run on Rockledge

■ Saturday, July 2 — Vehicle accident at Ann Arbor Road and Haggerty, commercial rescue run on Ann Arbor Road, residential rescue runs on Northville Road and on Pinewood Circle, rescue run at Postiff and Lilley, investigation on Northern

■ Friday, July 1 — Residential rescue runs on Deer Court, on Lorenz Way and on Parkview, vehicle fire at Beck and Clipper, rescue runs to public building/school on Ann Arbor Road, investigation on Beacon Hill

■ Thursday, June 30 — Vehicle accident with wash-down on eastbound M-14 west of I-275, mutual-aid-received runs on Hillcrest and on Latheron, downed wires on

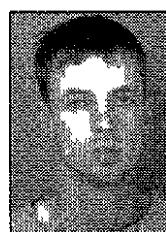
Huntington, at Ann Arbor Road and Fairground, at Napier and Karle, on Ann Arbor Road, on Maple, on Brookline, on Elmhurst and on Holbrook, fire on 5 Mile, industrial rescue run on Starkweather, residential rescue runs on Liberty and on Marguerite, carbon monoxide detector run on Plymouth Ridge

■ Wednesday, June 29 — Single-family fire on Pacific, hazardous materials rescue run on Wendover south of N Territorial, rescue run on southbound I-275 north of Ann Arbor Road, rescue mutual-aid-received run on Northville Road, residential rescue runs on Pacific, on Plymouth Crossing and on Northville Road

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Suspected serial robber brought up on charges



Pentz

Canton robberies occurred between June 2 and June 18
Judge Ron Lowe entered a not guilty plea for Pentz, and ordered him held on \$100,000 cash

bond on each of the three counts His preliminary examination was set for July 15 Pentz was then handed over to Westland authorities so he could be arraigned in that community for two robberies of which he is accused Armed robbery is a felony punishable by up to life imprisonment

Also on Thursday, Pentz was ordered jailed without bond by Westland District Court Judge Gail McKnight, who arraigned him on two counts of armed robbery, two counts of felony firearms, and two counts of being a felon with a gun Pentz also faces similar charges in Wayne, Northville and Van Buren Township

He had been paroled in August 2002 after serving about two years in prison for a third-degree criminal sexual conduct charge out of Oakland County
Pentz was arrested Monday, after Wayne police officers found him staying with a friend During the arrest,

Wayne officers allegedly found a chrome-plated automatic handgun they believe was used in all the robberies The Canton, Westland and Wayne police departments had been working together to find Pentz

According to Canton Detective Sgt Ruck Pomorski, Pentz is accused of robbing a Citgo gas station at Michigan Avenue and Lotz, a Sunoco gas station at Ford and Haggerty, and the Radio Shack at Ford and Sheldon

Pomorski said the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office will handle the case once Pentz has his preliminary examinations in each of the communities

Autos for Autism benefit Monday

Autos for Autism, benefiting Burger School for Students with Autism, takes place from 6-9 p.m. Monday, July 11, at Garden City High School

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Garden City High School is located at 6500 Middlebelt For more information, call (313) 322-7209

BY KURT KUBAN
STAFF WRITER

Suspected serial robber Jonathan David Pentz, a 28-year-old Westland resident, was arraigned in 35th District Court Thursday on three counts of armed robbery, and faces the possibility of spending the rest of his life in prison

Canton police officials believe Pentz is responsible for three armed robberies in Canton, and a total of nine robberies in five western Wayne County communities In each of the cases, a handgun was used to obtain cash, games or electric devices The

Summertime's concert time in Plymouth

Here is the rest of the schedule for the Friday series, sponsored by the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority and Community Financial Concerts are 7 p.m. in Kellogg Park
■ July 15 - Westrin and

Mowrey
■ July 22 & 29 - Steve King and the Ditties hits of the '50s and '60s
■ Aug 5 - The Randy Brock Group blues
■ Aug 12 - Rock's Gang
■ Aug 19 - The CrackerJack Band
■ Aug 26 - Gerard Gibbs Reorganized
■ Sept 2 - Lady Sunshine and the X Band
Here is the schedule for the

"Music in the Park" series, sponsored by the Plymouth Community Arts Council and New Liberty Bank Concerts are noon on Wednesdays, also in Kellogg Park
■ July 13 - Jan Krist
■ July 20 - Marc Thomas & Max the Moose
■ July 27 - Mustard's Retreat
■ Aug 3 - Phoenix
■ Aug 10 - Guy Louis & Chautauqua Express

■ Aug 17 - elmoThumm
■ Aug 24 - Kitty Donohoe & Wanda Degen

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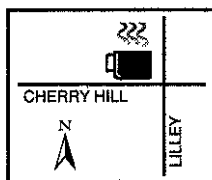
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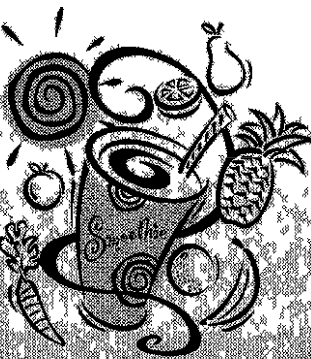
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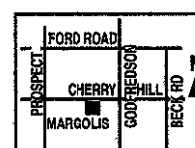
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FOUNTAIN

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what I was doing was a really nice thing. It makes me feel real good that I could help.

The flier went to 300 neighborhood houses, and Giguere spent two hours collecting 2,680 bottles and cans. He spent another couple of hours returning them to the grocery store and running them through the mechanical recycling bins.

It was an effort that made a mother beam.

I am proud of him, said Marilynne Giguere, whose family has lived in Plymouth just over four years. I was proud he was willing to put in that much time. It wasn't easy.

According to Sincock, the project to replace the fountain,

destroyed last year when city municipal workers and contractors were trying to level it, is coming along. A sump pump system has been installed, he said, to keep water in the fountain's pump even during extended periods of dry weather come along.

The Plymouth Community Youth Advisory Committee took the reins of the project and has come up with the design for the new fountain. Sincock said those designs are getting closer to becoming reality.

The temporary fountain is up and running, Sincock said, and we hope in the next two weeks to go out for requests for proposals for the replacement.

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PARKS

FROM PAGE A1

"They've proven in the past they've only looked at large county projects, and not at out-county projects."

On Wednesday, State Rep. Phil LaJoy, R-Canton Township, is introducing a bill to the House Local Government Committee that would require a charter county of 1.5 million people or more (Wayne County) that has a parks millage to give at least 50 percent of the money back to the local communities.

"The current system just isn't fair," said LaJoy. "The people I talk to say it's a matter of fairness. I'm a bit disappointed that not one person from Wayne County has contacted me."

LaJoy said he believes he has the support to get his bill out of committee and onto the House floor.

Reaume said he is in favor of such a bill.

"That sounds like a fair and equitable provision," said Reaume. "Individual communities could use the dollars

returned to them for more local programs, like upgrading parks and playgrounds.

Alan Helmkamp, assistant county executive for government relations, said the money spent in Plymouth Township included \$295,000 to renovate the Haggerty comfort station, \$278,000 for the Haggerty recreation area soccer fields, ball diamonds and parking lot improvements, and \$285,000 at Wilcox Lake for a comfort station, play structure and pavilion.

"We have a responsibility to all of the communities of Wayne County to keep our parks operating," said Helmkamp. "Residents go all over the county to use the park system."

Helmkamp said the county administration is developing a new policy that will give communities more say in how the millage money is dispersed.

If a local community has a project in mind, they can pitch it to us to match money or partner with them, Helmkamp said. "We understand there's a perception of disparity, and we're sensitive to that. We don't want anyone shut out."

STUDENTS

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Wednesday morning, and parents were notified shortly afterward.

"We're telling parents right now that everyone is safe, and we're looking at developments in case there needs to be a change in plans," said Schaub. "The faculty advisers have made multiple trips abroad and are very responsible."

"We're prepared to cancel the

program if need be," he said. "We've done it before for safety and security concerns."

Sarah Stewart, who left for London on June 29, is due back home July 25.

"Your first instinct is to protect them and have them come right home," admitted Beth Stewart. "But, it might not be the best time to hop on a plane. It might be safer to stay where they are."

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'Drive' program nets \$550 for Field

Dick Scott Dodge in Plymouth helped raise \$550 for Field Elementary School with its minivan Drive for the Kids program. The fund-raising event was held recently in conjunction with the school's PTA.

The Dodge Division of DaimlerChrysler donated \$50 to Field Elementary School PTA for expenses involved in hosting the event, and an additional \$5 for each demonstration drive completed with an evaluation form.

A 2005 Dodge Grand Caravan, Dodge Durango and Dodge Ram Pickup were provided for parents and friends to test drive and examine. Dick Scott Dodge supplied the vehicles, and volunteers from the dealership were on hand to assist in the fund-raising activity.

'Drive for the Kids is a mutually beneficial program,' said Nichole Scott, director of dealership operations for Dick Scott Automotive Group.

'We're interested in helping the schools and everyone has a good time. Parents are genuinely interested in testing the versatility of the vehicles, and we're able to provide additional dollars to schools in our area.'



TOM HOFFMEYER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Jason Scott, general sales manager at Dick Scott Dodge, presents a check to former PTO president Robin Klavon along with Field Elementary School Principal Kurt Tyszkiewicz, former Field student Kristen, current Field student Kari, and their brother Christopher and Dick Scott director of dealer operations Nichole Scott.

Dodge has committed substantial financial and human resources in support of educational grants and programs. Through its World of Work program, hundreds of Dodge

employees volunteer time and skills to tutor and mentor students in plant communities.

In addition to Drive for the Kids school fund raisers, the corporation has spent millions

in support of educational initiatives including award-winning reading and child safety programs.

American Legion Post recognizes top local student

American Legion Post 390 awarded a \$5,000 scholarship to Brett Wanamaker of Livonia at a presentation ceremony June 8 at the Monaghan Knights of Columbus Hall.

Wanamaker was chosen from among 42 students who applied for the scholarship, which is awarded to a student

selected from one of 16 high schools in the Livonia, Redford, Plymouth-Canton, Northville, Farmington and Farmington Hills areas.

It's awarded based on academics, civic involvement and leadership qualities.

Wanamaker is the sixth student to receive this scholarship.

from American Legion Post 390. He was ranked eighth in his class and is planning on

attending the University of Michigan to pursue a degree in medicine.

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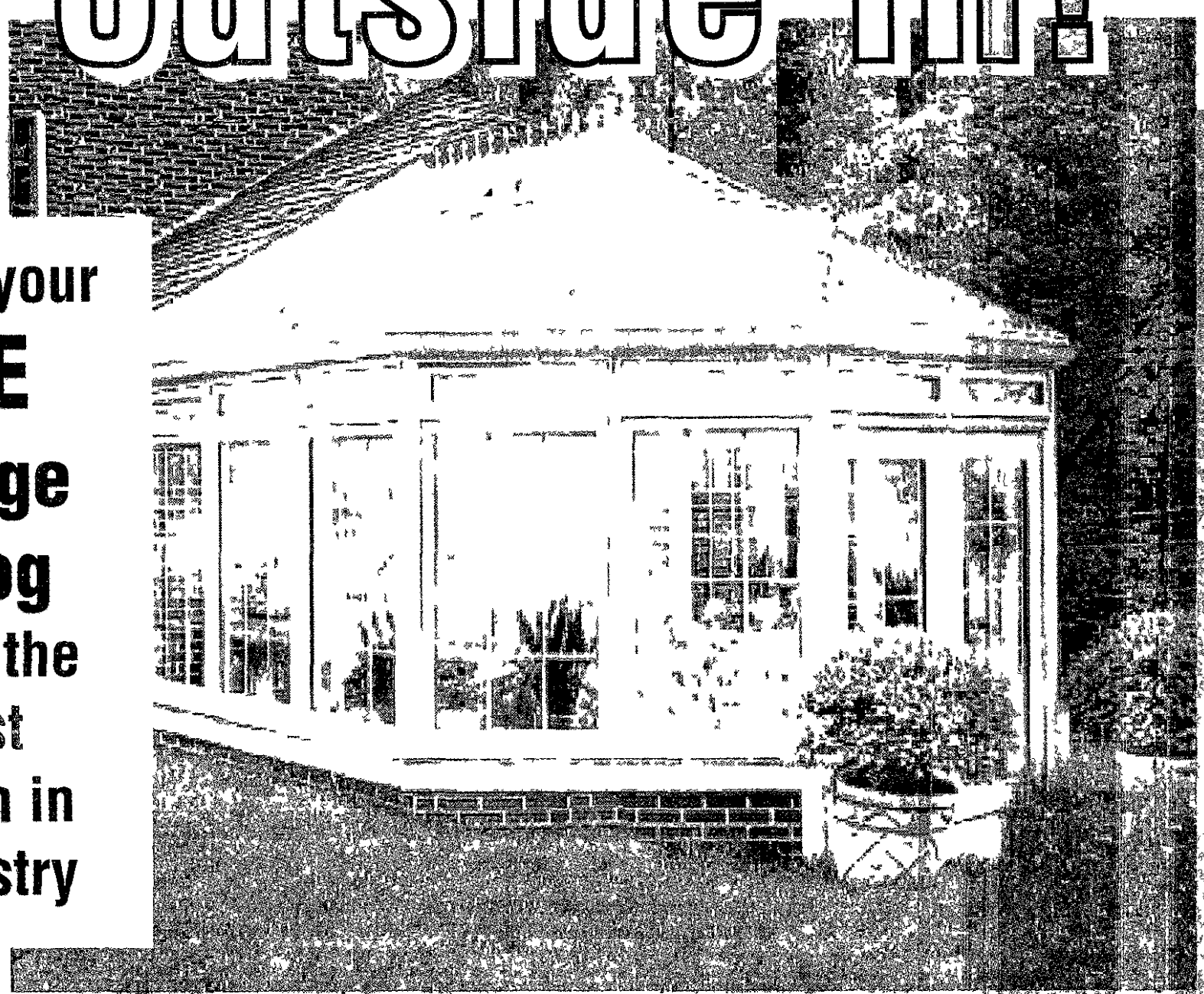
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Mud Day Tuesday invites children to get dirty

Wayne County's annual Mud Day is 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 12, at the Nankin Mills Picnic Area, on Hines Drive, east of Ann Arbor Trail in Westland.

Children 12 and under are invited to participate in one of the county's most popular events. The county mixes more than 200 tons of topsoil and over 20,000 gallons of water to ensure that the mud is just right. Children will be separated into categories based on age, to participate in 'mud limbo' and wheelbarrow races. At the conclusion of the event, Mr. and Miss Mud

will be crowned.

To ensure that parents and children are prepared for the dirt, the county suggests that children wear old clothes and old shoes. Children also need to bring a clean change of clothes. An on-site clean-up area will be provided. Parents are also advised to bring a supply of towels, as there are no showers on site. Plastic bags will be supplied to carry dirty clothes home.

To register groups of more than 15 children, call Kim at (313) 261-9087.

For more information, call (734) 261-1990.

Holocaust survivor tells his triumphant story

BY STACY JENKINS
STAFF WRITER

Weighing no more than 75 pounds, Sam Offen, a Jewish young man from Poland, knew he wouldn't survive the horrors of the concentration camps for many more days.

Skin and bones, hungry, weak and brutally treated, Offen somehow endured the atrocities at the Gusen and Mauthausen death camps in Austria, which was then part of Germany.

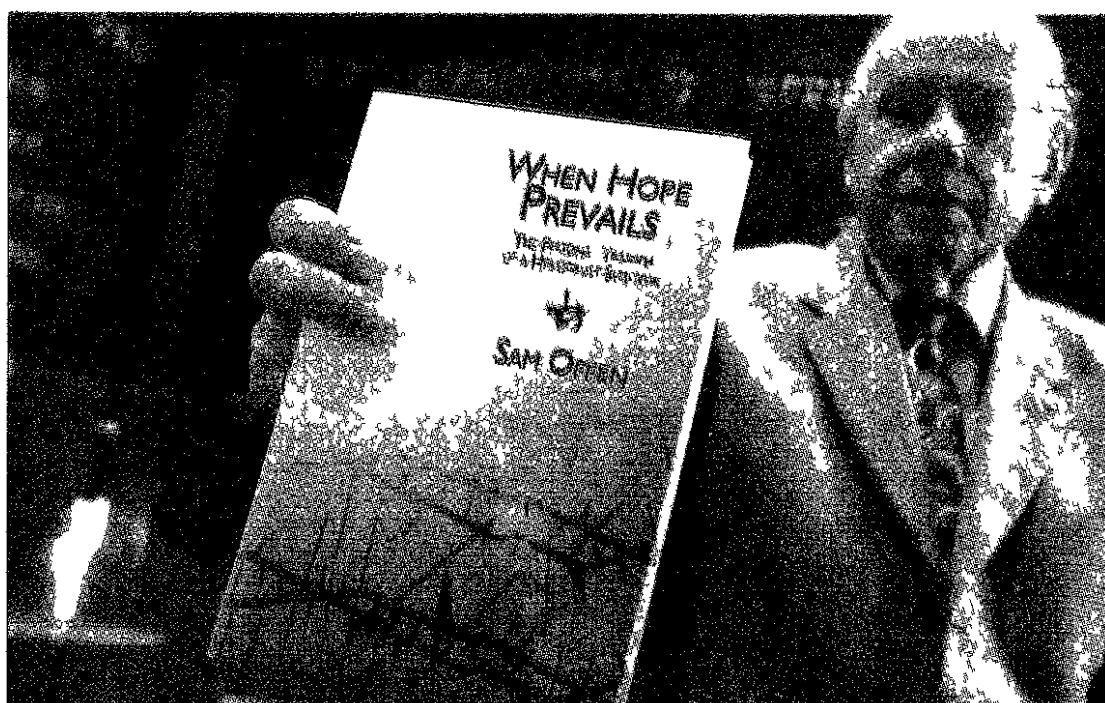
The camp was one of several at which he and his brothers, Nathan and Bernard, were held captive during the Nazi invasion. They were forced to work day and night, hauling large boulders up the steep hills in the 'killing quarry' at the Gusen camp. Their nutrition was a meager serving of warm, black liquid in the morning, a bowl of soup in the afternoon and a slice of bread in the evening.

"It was just so brutal," recalls the West Bloomfield resident, who is now 83 years old. "I was just a living skeleton. They did not waste bullets to kill (the prisoners), they just pushed us down to the quarry floor."

Offen was one of six or seven original 'prisoners' to survive at Mauthausen.

On May 5, 1945, American Army troops found the camp, not knowing it was a Nazi concentration camp.

Beyond the barbed wire



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Holocaust survivor Sam Offen of West Bloomfield sits near the eternal flame at the Holocaust Memorial Center in Farmington Hills with a copy of his book, 'When Hope Prevails - The Personal Triumph of a Holocaust Survivor'

"They liberated us," Offen said. "They were so wonderful to us, so unbelievably wonderful."

Two or three days later, the war officially ended. But not without deep pain and suffering that changed the world.

For Offen, the Holocaust began when he was 18 years old. He was born in a suburb of Krakow, Poland, and was the oldest of four children. On Sept. 6, 1939, the Nazis invaded Krakow and required all citizens to register. This was done so the Nazis could identify all of the Jews.

"From that day on, life changed completely," Offen said. "Everything stopped suddenly. We never expected the Holocaust to happen."

He first witnessed the cold-blooded murders when Nazi soldiers rounded up the Orthodox Jews in his town and attempted to cut their side locks of hair. One young man was scared and tried to run, but was shot dead by a soldier, Offen said.

"That was my first encounter with the killing and executions," he said.

While held captive, Offen was shipped around from camp to camp, working in salt mines, stone quarries and steel mills. His experience in Jewish ghettos — where thousands of Jews were ordered to live in confinement and under curfew in crowded conditions — and

in the concentration camps lasted five years.

Now he has the memories, the occasional nightmare and a tattoo of the letters "K.L.", which stood for 'concentration camp' in German, on his wrist to remind him of the tragedy.

His parents, Jacob Offen and Rochme Gitel Offen, and his sister Miriam Offen, who was just 16 years old, were killed in gas chambers. He lost more than 50 other relatives during the Holocaust. He said it's unusual to be one of three siblings, however, to survive from the same family. His brothers now live in New York and California.

He's not sure how he survived, but it surely had to do with his spirit, his faith and a little luck of 'being in the right place at the right time.'

"I always was, and still am, a perpetual optimist, Offen said softly, with a faraway look in his eyes. 'I always hoped I would survive.'

It was that hope that led him to a better life.

Because he and his brothers were liberated by the American Army, they had the desire to rebuild their lives in the United States. Offen came to the U.S. after living in London for five years, awaiting passage to come to America. He arrived on a ship on a Saturday in 1951. Passengers disembarked the

following Monday in the shadow of the Statue of Liberty in New York Harbor.

"We just sensed that freedom of America when we saw the Statue of Liberty," he said, smiling.

He moved directly to Michigan, where distant relatives lived. He met his wife Hyla — of 53 years now — and started working as a furrier. He continues to own his own fur business, Furs by Ceresmie & Offen, in downtown Birmingham.

"I've realized the American dream," he said.

Wanting to thank the U.S. soldiers who freed him back in 1945, Offen researched records and, amazingly, found an American GI named Donald Montgomery, who was one of the soldiers who set the prisoners at Mauthausen free. Even more incredible, Montgomery was found living in nearby Auburn Hills. The two reunited in October 1993 and remain friends.

Persuasion from friends and family led Offen to write a book about his life and his journey toward freedom. The 2-year project is a book titled *When Hope Prevails - The Personal Triumph of a Holocaust Survivor*.

He speaks to groups and educates students about the Holocaust and will offer a book signing and presentation at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 12, at the Holocaust Memorial Center in Farmington Hills.

Offen sums up his life in a simple phrase, which has become sort of his own slogan: "I was born free, I lived in hell and now I live in paradise," he said, with a smile.

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'WHEN HOPE PREVAILS'

Sam Offen chronicled his experiences in a book titled *When Hope Prevails - The Personal Triumph of a Holocaust Survivor*, which was published by First Page Publications in Livonia on May 5, 2005, exactly 60 years after his liberation from the Mauthausen concentration camp.

Offen will sign copies of his book and present a talk on his experiences at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 12, at the Holocaust Memorial Center, 28123 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. A reception will follow Offen's presentation.

Copies of the book will be on sale (\$12.95 soft cover or \$18.95 hard cover). All proceeds from the sale of the books will be donated to the Holocaust Memorial Center.

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DARTA decision shouldn't end efforts for better mass transit

Empty buses

In a radio interview shortly after a Michigan Court of Appeals decision disbanded the Detroit Area Regional Transportation Authority, state Rep. Leon Drolet (R-Clinton Township) was jubilant, saying that it was time to stop wasting taxpayers' money on mass transit systems that nobody wants, spending money on "empty buses" that could be spent on more roads!

In Livonia, voters this fall will vote on a tax issue that will decide whether the city remains in the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation. And yet, Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson says it wasn't lack of political will or support for mass transit that killed DARTA.



Hugh Gallagher

He's right there. A suit was brought by the union representing employees of the Detroit Department of Transportation, fearful that anything resembling a merger of DDOT and SMART would lead to job reductions. The courts' decision was that the parties that formed DARTA — Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick, Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano, Patterson and Macomb County Board of Commissioners Chair Nancy White, with the support of Gov. Jennifer Granholm — had no legal authority to do so without the support of the three county boards.

It wasn't a decision against mass transit, but in favor of open government and proper legal procedures. Patterson says an honest effort was made to create DARTA, which would have provided badly needed coordination between the suburban and city systems and a conduit for state and federal transportation dollars.

Patterson, Ficano and Granholm are all pushing the state Legislature to act.

Still, those who look at mass transit and see only empty buses are feeling gleeful that the end of DARTA will further weaken the region's already anemic mass transit system. Drolet and others argue that people would rather jam along on the freeways in their private cars than ride in a train or on a bus.

The only people who need buses are the old, the disabled and the working poor. Do they vote? It's highly unlikely that they contribute to political campaigns.

The horrific events Thursday in London and last year in Madrid might add to concerns about both the safety and the viability of mass transit in Detroit or any large metropolitan area. But incidents like those, no matter how terrible, are fortunately rare.

In London, Paris, New York, Boston, Washington, San Francisco, Toronto and other cities, the buses and trains are not empty. They are

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full of daily commuters, tourists, students, shoppers and, yes, the old, the disabled and the working poor (who are only able to work because a bus gets them to their jobs). Mass transit is truly the arterial system for the most vibrant cities, essential to healthy downtowns and to broader economic and social opportunities.

It will take a lot of vision to turn things around in metro Detroit.

As Granholm said following the court decision, "A viable, effective public transit system is essential to both the near and long-term social and economic well-being of southeast Michigan."

We know the story too well. We are a racially and economically divided community. Despite honorable attempts to infuse life back into downtown Detroit, it remains a pale image of a big city. There is no central place around which to build a mass transit system. Commuters move in too many different directions. Shopping has been sectionalized into big box stores, strip malls and increasingly dreary traditional closed malls.

We have suburban communities that gloat about their master plans that call for large lots and less density, which only exacerbates the sprawl problem, pushing people farther from the central city, eating up more land, requiring more freeways. They mistake big private yards for open space. Instead, the plans should promote greater density, but more public parkland, farm preservation and mass transit.

We are a metro area of 4 million people in search of a city. We are BIG CITY people who have lost a large measure of what urban life at its best is meant to be.

This is a regional problem, a state problem as serious and as essential to our future as the budget crunch and school financing. Now is the time for Brooks Patterson, Bob Ficano, Jennifer Granholm and Kwame Kilpatrick to redouble their efforts to work together and force the Legislature to act.

Now is the time for visionaries to see beyond the empty buses, the deserted city streets, the racial discord and imagine a future city for tomorrow.

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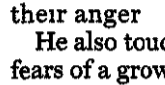
Convention draws Rotarians together for greater good

Getting around Chicago was a bit of a challenge during the June 18-22 Rotary International convention, but it was worth the effort.

A highlight of the event, which celebrated the centennial of Rotary's founding in Chicago by lawyer Paul Harris in 1905, was a Ted Turner speech. The media mogul talked about going to club meetings in Cincinnati as a boy.

"My dad was a Rotarian for many years and he loved Rotary," Turner told an audience of thousands. "I know the Four-Way Test by heart," he added of Rotary's test of things we think, do or say.

Turner described his support of Rotary's ongoing polio eradication efforts, and the larger need to treat people with dignity and respect. His work as a philanthropist has convinced him that giving those who are angry a chance to be heard helps to defuse



Julie Brown

their anger.

He also touched on the Cold War era and fears of a growing nuclear arsenal, praising the United Nations for its help during the Cold War. The environment is also a concern of Turner's.

He urged Rotarians to consider their next goal, now that polio eradication is near, citing poverty and lack of access to education and quality health care as concerns. One in four adults isn't literate, he noted, and government spending in such areas as education is a drop in the bucket compared to military spending — or the deficit.

Turner wasn't the only speaker during the five-day convention, with outgoing RI President Glenn Estess also taking the podium. He described the convention as "the biggest family reunion in the world" and urged those present to "work together to make Rotary's future even brighter than its past."

Estess outlined a number of projects, such as a small clinic in India which has grown into a modern hospital. He noted how Rotarians worldwide responded immediately following the devastating Dec. 26 tsunami.

This was my first RI convention and I'm glad my husband and I took the time to attend. The workshops and plenary sessions were rewarding, but even more so was the opportunity to meet people from all around the world.

Whether it was chatting with a gentleman from Pakistan on the "el" about an eye care project under way there, or visiting with a couple from Australia during a dinner at the Field Museum, it was wonderful to have such an international flair.

I admired the women from African nations and from India in their colorful clothing and

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wondered how they managed to pack such attire. I marveled at the visitors who traveled such a distance to meet fellow Rotarians.

Social activities made the convention fun, too, including a trek out to Rockford, Ill., to the home of Dick and Grace Leighton. We were joined by Ed and Alice Hegel of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, and the evening together passed all too quickly.

A number of the Saskatoon Rotarians and family members had made the journey to be in Chicago, as had people from all corners of the world. We even ran into Bill Cameron from the Livonia club and his wife, Olga, despite the vastness of McCormick Place and the thousands registered for the convention.

It was inspiring to see the flags of Rotary nations, pretty much all the world, presented during the opening session. Greetings from Chicago Mayor Richard Daley and world political leaders added to the day.

I learned that women now make up 12 percent of Rotary's members worldwide, some 140,000 out of 1.2 million. That's a definite improvement considering the organization was all-male not too many years ago.

The Tuesday of the convention found us at the Chicago Athletic Association, home to the original Rotary club, which meets there for lunch each Tuesday. Speaker Cliff Dochterman, who served as RI president in 1992-93, gave a moving address, both funny and thoughtful. Members of that club went all out to make us feel welcome.

Next year's international convention is in Denmark and Sweden, so it's unlikely we'll make that trip. Even so, I'm glad I went this year and will keep the memories and all I've learned from newfound friends close to my heart.

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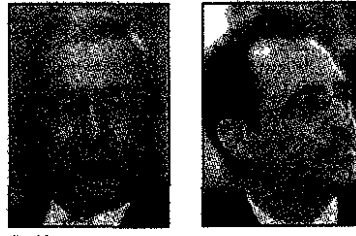
BY ALEX LUNDBERG
STAFF WRITER

The agreement creating the Detroit Area Regional Transit Authority may have been struck down by the Michigan Court of Appeals, but regional authorities are optimistic the plan could be back up and running with the right help from Lansing.

The court struck down the agreement creating DARTA earlier this week, saying it cannot be enforced because of a lawsuit filed by maintenance unions at the Detroit Department of Transportation.

While DARTA is dead for the time being, operations at DDOT and the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation will go on as they have with no changes in operation or service.

Whatever went on in the courts, Oakland County Executive L Brooks Patterson wanted it made clear that no one could say the bus plan died from lack of interest. Aside from Patterson, Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick, Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano and Macomb County



Patterson Ficano

Board of Governors Chairwoman Nancy White put together the arrangement after a similar effort was killed by former Gov John Engler.

"The suburbs are not against regional transportation," Patterson said. "That case went to court because a union sued DARTA. I will not accept any blame for the system not coming together."

Neither can the blame go anywhere else around the region. He said politicians in all three Metro Detroit counties and the mayor worked together to put a regional transportation system into place for all the right reasons. That said, the effort is not over.

Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano said the plan is vital to the region's economic health.

"Every major urban area has a mass transit plan," he

said. "This can be done legislatively. We're asking that the legislature remedy the technicalities and allow the plan to proceed. It could happen this session."

Ficano said DARTA was weeks away from hiring an executive director and federal money has already been secured to get the system off the ground.

"We have to show the rest of the country we're serious about this," he said.

"Everyone is on the same page here, rarely do you get the regional leadership together like this."

Gov Jennifer Granholm called on state lawmakers to put partisan and geographical differences aside to pass legislation to enable local leaders to establish a regional transportation system in southeast Michigan.

"A viable, effective public transit system is essential to both the near and long term social and economic well-being of southeast Michigan," Granholm said.

"The overall economic vitality of the region is at stake. We are an interconnected community, and we must be able to connect to one another with ease."

Patterson said the decision was "a blow."

"It is not the end," he said. "We're going to get together and reintroduce something."

He said there would be meetings between the original players before going to Lansing to drum up legislative support. While there is still interest in a public transportation authority, that does not mean results are coming soon.

Patterson said it would take at least six months even if things moved ahead as fast as they possibly could. What he doesn't want is an arrangement that doesn't work for the county.

"I fear (the next proposal) will be watered down when it goes back to the legislature, something with wage concessions for the unions," Patterson said.

"Why would we want an interdependent system if there isn't some savings? We're not going to subsidize DDOT for \$85 million."

The irony, he said, would be plan for everyone to see if the introduction of union-friendly language were to cause Oakland County to pull out of an agreement it forwarded to Lansing.

London transit attacks draw condemnation

U.S. Rep. Thaddeus G. McCotter, R-Livonia, who is a member of the International Relations subcommittee on Europe and Emerging Threats, Thursday issued a statement condemning the terrorist attacks in London.

"Our hearts and prayers are


with the people of England, and the most important thing we, as Americans, can do is to stand ready to assist them in any capacity they request. Like the fuhrer before him, Bin Laden is terrorizing and testing the indomitable spirit of the

British people, and like his pernicious precursor before him, this tyrant too will fail and fall into an ignoble grave. On our own part we need to steel our resolve to win the war on terror. We must always remember the conundrum of these tragic

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Local physician addresses World Sports Congress

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth physician David H Janda's sports injury prevention crusade has gone global.

Janda, an orthopedic surgeon and director of the Institute for Preventative Sports Medicine, served as one of the keynote speakers at last month's inaugural World Congress of Sports, which was held in Oslo, Norway. Janda was one of five presenters who enlightened the more than 500 attendees from 36 countries



Dr. David Janda

on the power of prevention in sports. Among the topics Janda addressed was how sports injuries lead to obesity, which in turn increases the cost of health care around the world. "In many cases, when people hobble off the athletic fields with injuries, they hobble over to their couch or their computers,

and their activity level is never the same again," said Janda. "One study showed that people who suffer back pain gain an average of 30 pounds over the course of the following year because they're not as active as they were before they were injured. The bottom line is reducing injuries can reduce obesity."

Janda, who has appeared on *Oprah*, *Good Morning America* and *HBO's Real Sports*, also educated the audience on steps that can be taken to prevent serious

baseball and softball injuries. "Seventy-one percent of baseball and softball injuries are sliding-related," Janda said, referring to a study conducted by the IPISM. "Ninety-six percent of the sliding injuries that occur can be prevented if communities would use break-away bases on their fields instead of the stationary bases."

Despite the daunting statistics regarding stationary bases, Janda said a recent survey revealed that only 15 percent of fields are equipped with break-

away bases.

"Even though the break-away bases are safer, unfortunately there are a number of reasons why people don't think they're such a good idea," Janda said. "One of the reasons is tradition. People grew up playing with stationary bases, so they don't want to change. A lot of people also think it makes the games last too long when break-away bases are used. However, studies show it takes 15 seconds to replace the

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Charity scramble

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Team in Training golf scramble will be held Saturday, Aug. 6, at Hickory Creek Golf Course, which is located on 3625 Napier Rd. in Superior Township.

Proceeds from the event, which will begin with an 8 a.m. shotgun start, will go toward the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's mission to cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and to improve the quality of life of the patients and their families.

For the \$100 entry fee, golfers will receive 18 holes of golf with a cart, lunch at the turn, dinner following the round, awards and opportunities to win prizes in a silent auction and raffle. Companies that would like to sponsor a hole for \$100 will receive a sign at one of the holes that includes their logo and company name.

For additional information, contact Janell S. Feller at (734) 748-3893.

The entry deadline is Wednesday, July 20.

HVS day leagues

Canton's High Velocity Sports will be offering daytime sports leagues for third and afternoon-shift workers beginning Sept. 6. Among the sports available will be flag football, hockey (roller and floor) and dodge ball. The team fee is \$500 for an eight-game schedule.

Individuals without a team will be placed on house teams. The fee for individuals is \$65.

The leagues will run from Sept. 6-Oct. 31. Teams may make scheduling requests, including days of the week and times, but requests are not guaranteed. The deadline for registration is Aug. 31.

"We've been toying with the idea of daytime leagues for some time now," said Bryan "Goose" Finnerty, leading owner of HVS. "It just makes sense since the building isn't being used to capacity during the day and so many people work third and afternoon shifts. We are excited to see the leagues take off."

To register a team or for more information, call (734) HV-SPORT or visit www.hvsports.com.

Hockey schools

Compuware Sports Arena and the Plymouth Whalers will be offering a series of hockey schools this summer.

Among the offerings will be a power-skating school July 18-22, a checking school July 25-29, an all-day hockey school Aug. 3-5 and a beginner hockey skills/mini-mite school Aug. 8-15.

Each session is limited to 32 players and the instructor-to-player ratio for each one is 8:1. Instructors include Whalers Assistant General Manager and Associate Coach Todd Watson, along with various players and staff.

For more information, call (734) 453-6400 or visit www.compuware-hockey.com.



Josh Robertson of Plymouth navigates along a rail at Simplicity Sk8 Park Thursday afternoon. The 22-year-old has been skateboarding for close to 10 years.

Half-pipe heaven

Canton facility offers skateboarders all the challenges, thrills they can handle

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Josh Robertson navigated the 10-foot-high half-pipe Thursday afternoon like a surfer riding a massive wave off the coast of southern California.

Only Robertson's feet were planted on a skateboard — not a surfboard — and the 360's and backflips he executed flawlessly were unfolding in a 16,000-square-foot building in south Canton, not on a wave in the south Pacific.

Displaying the balance of a tight-rope walker, the 22-year-old Plymouth resident maneuvered up and down the huge U-shaped wooden obstacle with ease and grace — something he couldn't have done prior to last summer when Simplicity Sk8 Park was erected in the former Michigan

Dek Hockey facility on Michigan Ave.

Robertson is one of hundreds of skateboarding enthusiasts who now call Simplicity their home away from home — at least for a couple hours a day.

CHEAP THRILLS

The facility is filled with a myriad of challenging bank ramps, half-pipes, quarter-pipes and fly boxes that have replaced parking lots and residential streets as proving grounds for the area's skateboarding aficionados.

"Before this place was built, I had to pay two \$110 tickets because skateboarding is illegal now in public parking lots and pretty much everywhere else," Robertson explained. "I was definitely happy to see Simplicity

PLEASE SEE SKATEBOARDING, B4



Canton resident Brian Kuznetz jumps over an obstacle while skateboarding Thursday afternoon at Simplicity Sk8 Park in Canton. Kuznetz is one of the youngest — and most talented — regulars who attend Simplicity.

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Batbusters earn trip to World Series

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

The 14U Michigan Batbusters girls fast-pitch softball team is headed to the "Magic Kingdom" in August thanks to a magical performance two weeks ago.

The Batbusters, whose roster includes seven girls who reside in Plymouth or Canton, qualified for the inaugural USSSA Fast-Pitch 14U Elite 12 World Series at Disney's Wide World of Sports by finishing first in the Mizuno Freedom Festival Super Elite NIT World Series qualifier, which was held in Sterling Heights June 25-26.

The Batbusters, who are ranked No. 1 in Michigan and eighth in the United States in their age group, are one of only 12 teams invited to play in the prestigious national tournament Aug. 5-9.

The Batbusters outscored their opponents, 31-2, in the qualifying tournament. They defeated the Birmingham Jaguars, 12-1, in the championship contest to improve their overall record to 32-6.



The 14U Michigan Batbusters are headed to Orlando, Fla. Aug. 5-9 to compete in the USSSA Fast-Pitch 14U Elite 12 World Series. Pictured (front row l-r) are Mary Rounsifer, Heather Weidenhamer, Abby Weber, Kyla Suchy, (second row l-r) Erin Rodes, Alyssa Abramowski, Leah Bostwick, Amy Bondy, (third row l-r) Sarah Rounsifer, Gina Giordano, Ariel Rohn, Sarah Wright, (back row l-r) Tim Rounsifer, Joe Rodes, Ross Suchy, Rich Rohn, Brett Haewski and Chris Weber.

Teams from California, Texas, Colorado and Florida will be among those joining the Batbusters in Orlando. The Batbusters are the lone team from Michigan to qualify for the tournament.

The Batbusters compete in several weekend tournaments throughout the summer and hold practices during the week, said coach Rich Rohn.

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Canton to host Special Olympics softball tourney

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Over 1,200 Special Olympics athletes from across Michigan will converge on the Canton Sports Center Friday and Saturday for the annual Michigan Summer Sports Classic.

The athletes, who range in age from 8 to 80, will compete in several softball-related competitions, including a home run derby and a team competition. "We have 1,224 athletes signed up to compete with some coming from as far away as the Upper Peninsula," said Anne Galgoczi, the Special Olympics Michigan (SOMI) volunteer coordinator. "The members of the committee who plan the event are all from Wayne County, and they do a great job coordinating the umpires, arranging the schedules and setting up the fields."

"The Canton Sports Center is an excellent site for the event because of all the fields they offer — and we fill them all up. To qualify to play in Canton, the teams were required to play a certain number of games in advance. All of the teams are then placed in divisions and the top three teams in each division are presented with awards."

PLEASE SEE TOURNEY, B3

CC grad Tomey is chasing his dream

BY RYAN DOHERTY
CORRESPONDENT

For six months out of the year Anthony Tomey chases his dream

For the remaining six months he helps his parents manage one of their three Jimmy John restaurants in Novi

Since he was old enough to swing a waffle bat, Tomey has been in search of the bright lights and more importantly, the big leagues

Tomey's constant pursuit of his life-long goal, now has him closer than ever before to stepping onto that Major League mound in front of a Major League crowd

Tomey's baseball career goes a little something like this

He played high school ball at Redford Catholic Central where he won the state championship in 1999

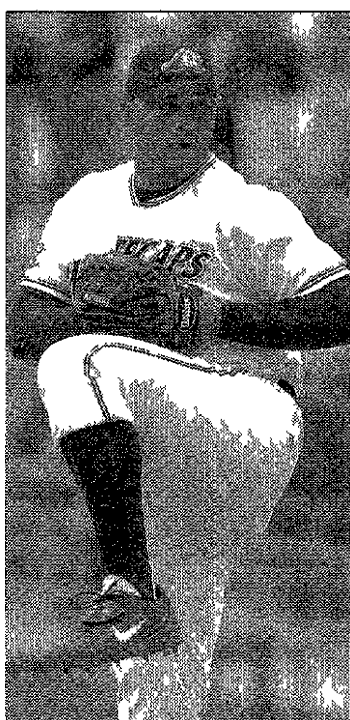
He was drafted by the Cleveland Indians in the 22nd round in '99, but didn't sign with them because he had a scholarship to play at Eastern Michigan University

Tomey graduated from EMU and was drafted by the Detroit Tigers in the 30th round of the 2003 draft

The 23 year-old hard-throwing closer is currently enjoying his second full season with the Class A affiliate of the Tigers, the West Michigan Whitecaps of the Midwest League

Fortunately for Tomey, the Whitecaps are based out of Grand Rapids, so he only has to drive an hour and a half to see his family

"I can go see my friends and my girlfriend, and I never have to worry about being able to see my parents," said the Farmington Hills native "It's awesome because I am the only player in the organization that's



Anthony Tomey's job is to put out the fire for the West Michigan Whitecaps, a Class A Detroit Tigers farm club affiliate

of the time decisions are based on how much money they've invested in you, rather than how much talent you have"

Finances also play a key role when the team travels on the road

He described their recent road trip to Dayton, Ohio

"We got to the parking lot around 7:30 in the morning and we pack all of our equipment and everyone has their own chore that they are responsible for," Tomey explained

Chores can range from cleaning up the team bus to doing the team's laundry, which was Tomey's responsibility while they were in Dayton

Next, they hop on the bus for a five-and-a-half hour jaunt to Dayton, where they check into their hotel and receive their food money

Twenty (\$20) dollars a day is what they have to spend on food and beverages

It's not a lot of money, so we definitely eat a lot of fast food, but we try to eat better whenever we can," Tomey said

The Whitecaps arrive at the park around 3:30 pm and begin batting practice and other pregame functions. The games usually start around 7 pm and they are over between 10 and 10:30 pm

After the game it's back to the hotel and then we do it all over again until the series is over and we drive home," Tomey said

The minor league scheduling is very tough to say the least. The Whitecaps hurler only has ten days off throughout the 140-game season

"It's a grueling schedule and we don't get paid a lot, so you definitely have to earn your way," he said

But for Tomey and many other minor league players, they all want the payoff

The promise of it all like the money and the fame is unbelievable if you can make it to the big leagues, he said, and that's what this is all about

Tomey may be on his way. He recently was selected to the Midwest League's 2005 All-Star team and pitched one inning, recording one strikeout. He currently has a 2.38 ERA and boasts five saves

I love the pressure of coming into the game when it's on the line," Tomey said "I worked so hard to get to this point, and it's slowly starting to pay off"

Meanwhile, Tomey has some interesting superstitions he follows on game day

I always eat a huge salad and peanut butter and jelly sandwich before every game, he said. He's always the last player out of the locker room

A lot of us have weird things that we do," Tomey said. So hopefully it will bring us good luck down the road



Towering Oaks

The Canton Oaks 94 Premier U11 soccer team earned first-place honors at the 2005 Canton Cup, which was held Memorial Day weekend in Canton. The Oaks survived two overtimes and a shoot-out in the championship game. In December, the Oaks won the 'Christmas Cup' tournament and the national indoor regional competition in January at High Velocity Sports. The team consists of Nathan Bergeson, Christian Bryant, Bobby Budlong, Scott Chatfield, Austin Covert, Brandon Duschl, Robby Galanty, Rene Mejia, Steven Murphy, Jake Pascarella, Bob Ren, Ethan Walsh and Tyler Winningham. The team is coached by Bill Joker, Bob Pascarella and Kevin Winningham.

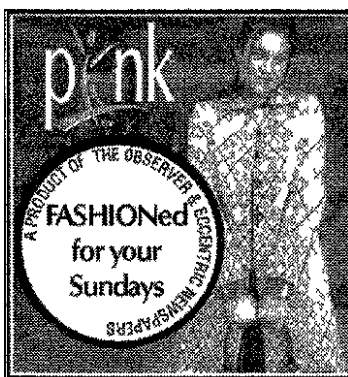
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Turkey hunt satisfying for Nastases

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

They say a picture tells a thousand words

But for Stacey Nastase and her father Sam, there's also a story to tell as well when it comes to their late April turkey hunting experience near Gladwin

On Father's Day, Sam Nastase was surprised when his daughter presented him with a framed photo showing each of them, smiling and standing together, proudly holding their prized toms

Oh My Gosh, Dad, Oh My Gosh!" is how Stacey titles her one-page letter, a description of the entire hunt, to her long-time hunting mentor

Stacey, now employed as a sales representative for Sanofi-Aventis pharmaceuticals, has enjoyed many sporting moments in her life dating back to her days when she played on back-to-back state championship soccer teams (1997 and 1998) at Livonia Stevenson High School (where she was captain her senior year)

She went on to play four years at Kalamazoo College earning All-Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association and NCAA Division III All-Region honors four straight seasons (She is only one of three athletes in Kalamazoo College sports history to gain All-MIAA and All-Region all four years)

But finally getting a turkey, after a couple of frustrating years, ranks right up there

I was bragging to everybody because it was my first one, Stacey said. I tell people it's like scoring the last goal in a shootout, and it's the game-winning shot

When it comes to the outdoors, Sam and Stacey's father-daughter relationship is unique

She's been out there with me since she was 5 years old, said Sam, who works for the Dearborn Public Schools and Henry Ford Community College. She started with B-B guns shooting at pop cans. And she's a darn good shot. We have a cabin and own 80 acres of land northeast of Clare. She's been deer hunting with me since she was 16, along with rabbit and turkey hunting

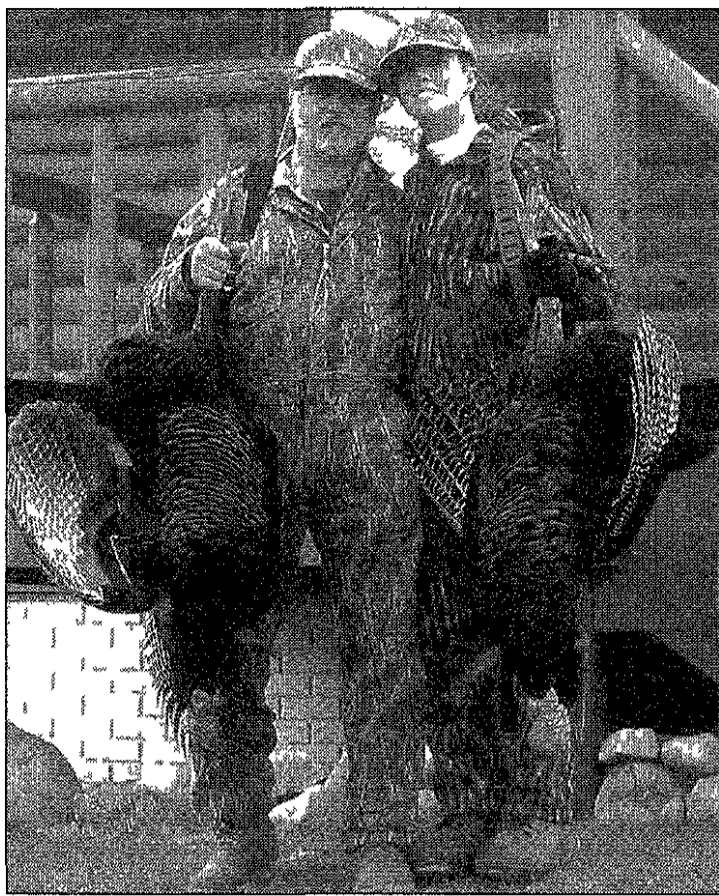
When she was young we'd (and his wife Kathy) take her fishing to Lake Erie. We've always taken her along

No Barbie dolls for this young girl

It's been a way of life, Stacey said. Being the only child and my dad being an outdoorsman. I've enjoyed sitting in the woods since I was a little girl. It's just one of the coolest things, people just don't understand. My mom fishes, but she doesn't hunt. She gets really nervous when I'm out there (hunting)

Before the age of 25, Stacey had taken five deer, all bucks. But bagging a turkey proved to be a challenge like no other

My first hunt, I learned a valuable lesson - they have



Sam and Stacey Nastase proudly display their turkeys shot during a hunting trip to the Gladwin area

really good eyesight, Stacey writes in her letter to Sam

They can see 270 degrees around their heads to be exact. I had barely looked down to take off my safety and then, she saw me. That's all it took, one small move of my head. Away she went, and thus, away he went. They never came back

The second hunt, we watched them fight, mate, and unfortunately, get away after a near miss. Third time a charm, right?

The two walked to the edge of the rye field, set up decoys and moved into their blind, but found no luck as darkness set

The two walked along the Nastase property line and are at it all the following day, coming up empty once again before returning for night at the cabin

Sam goes out on his own in the morning as Stacey sleeps in during the third day before the two return back to the rye field wearing their camouflage

Once in the blind that afternoon, Stacey nudges her dad after hearing a gobble

The two play the waiting game for nearly three hours waiting to see if the female comes to the male

And then Stacey's story comes to life once again

They are fanning and strutting their stuff," she recalls

One does a little dance at the beginning of the path to the rye field. In the middle of the action, I move to the ground toward the path. We expect they will come in this direction and we are almost right

When the hens proceed straight instead of left, I am forced to rotate a good 90 degrees. I do not want to be seen like before. I learned that lesson the hard way. I slowly turn to the left as I frantically whisper to dad, do something. I am worried they are not going to come within my

range

I know at 40 yards I have a deadly pattern, but I don't want to shoot any farther. At this point in time they are just outside my range. To this day, I'm still not sure why, but one of the toms made a fatal mistake. He starts to move toward us. He is puffed out like a balloon. I put my sight on him. A voice inside my head says, 'to aim a little low, and so I do, and now my dad is with me. It's just like we practice. My finger trembles as I squeeze the trigger. BOOM! He drops to the ground while the other scatter. I got him. I am shaking like never before and breathing deep, deep breaths. I just keep saying, Oh my gosh, dad, oh my gosh

The hunt, however, doesn't quite end as Sam makes a perfect shot as the other tom comes back pecking and squawking

Thirty seconds - two shots - two kills

The two high five and hug. There are smiles and laughter as Stacey runs out to see her prize. But of course Sam has the last word

Well, he says, mine's a little bigger

Yeah, Stacey says, yours is a little bigger

They both laughed. So what's next for father and daughter?

Dad would like to go bear hunting out west, Stacey said. But for now, the May 1 turkey remains the talk of the Nastase household

I will never forget this hunt, Stacey said in the letter. Not because we shot two beautiful turkeys, but because of the feeling I shared with my dad. The memory I have is one I will continue to share, but never truly do justice. Patience is, in fact, a virtue. If you don't wait, if you don't try again, and again, and again, you'll never know what might happen

SPORTS ROUNDUP

SALEM WRESTLING

The Salem wrestling team and the Chippewa Wrestling Club will be hosting a camp July 11-15. The camp will be geared toward incoming freshmen and kids in grades 5-8. The fifth- through eighth-graders who participate in the camp will have an opportunity to be a part of the Chippewa Wrestling Club.

Contact Mike Goethe at (734) 416-1754

'CAT GRID MEETING

The next meeting of the Plymouth Wildcat Football Boosters will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 12, in Room 401 of Plymouth High School. All parents of current and incoming freshmen players are encouraged to attend.

GOLF SCHOOL

Crystal Mountain Golf

School is offering lessons for all phases of golf at Fox Hills in Plymouth Township. For more information, log on to www.foxhills.com, or call (734) 453-7272.

ROLLER HOCKEY

High Velocity Sports has added several roller-hockey camps to its summer schedule.

■ A "Shoot-to-Score" camp will be from 9 a.m. to noon July 18-22, and from noon to 3 p.m. Aug. 8-12.

■ A power-skating/stuck-handling camp will be from noon to 3 p.m. July 25-29, and

■ A passing/positioning camp will be from 9 a.m. to noon Aug. 1-5.

Other hockey-related camps at High Velocity Sports include floor hockey on Aug. 15-19 and a learn-to-skate July 11-15 and Aug. 22-26. Both camps will run from 9 a.m. to noon.

TOURNEY

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The softball action kicks off Friday at 12:30 p.m. with a home run derby. Actual games will begin at 3:30 p.m. and 5:15 p.m. The softball competition resumes Saturday at 8:30 a.m. and runs throughout the day.

A softball skills competition is scheduled for Friday at 4 p.m. with the event's opening ceremonies set for 7 p.m.

A golf skills competition will be held at Ypsilanti's Pine View Golf Course in conjunction with the softball event.

The Summer Sports Classic is one of eight featured events the SOMI coordinates each year. It also holds soccer, hockey, basketball, and winter sports competitions for children and adults with intellectual disabilities. The athletes train and compete year-round in 23 different sports.

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PHYSICIAN

FROM PAGE B1

break-away base once it's been moved - but it takes at least 15 minutes to carry someone off the field after they've been injured

Janda also stressed the importance of having automatic external defibrillators at every sporting venue

"The No. 1 cause of deaths in sports-related activities is when a ball, hockey puck or some other object impacts a player's chest, Janda said. If this impact occurs at the exact phase of the heart cycle, it sends the heart into shock and makes it beat wildly, which can lead to death. While CPR may prolong survival, the only way to restore a normal heart rhythm is by shocking the heart. The only way to do this is with either a thump to the chest or with an automatic external defibrillator."

Two weeks after Janda talked about this subject on *Oprah* in 2001, a suburban Chicago woman saved a 13-year-old baseball player's life by calling 9-1-1 after he collapsed after getting hit in the chest by a baseball.

While two trained physicians gave the boy CPR, she called 9-1-1 because she knew the police officers in her community carried AEDs, Janda said. "The police officers arrived a short time later and shocked the boy's heart, which saved him. When the lady was interviewed following the incident she said she learned about the AED by seeing it on TV. The only show that had highlighted the AED was the *Oprah Winfrey* show."

All three of Janda's presentations were greeted warmly by the attendees, who included health care professionals, public health officials and government officials from around the world.

Following my presentations, several people approached me and told me they were moved by the information I presented," Janda said. "John Anderson, the head of Australia's sports injury prevention program, told me that he thought my presentation ignited a fire under every person in the room."

One of the most important messages I delivered was that we must get this information out to the public. We are empowered with great knowledge regarding prevention, but if 99 percent of the public don't know about it, what good is it?

10 STEPS TO SAFER SPORTS

The Institute for Preventive Sports Medicine recommends that communities do the following things to prevent serious injuries to young athletes:

1. Install automatic external defibrillators
2. Certification for coaches in age-appropriate training concepts. Such training is provided in Michigan by Michigan State University and nationally through the Orlando Florida-based national Alliance for Youth Sports
3. Install safety baseball bases
4. Add padded goal posts to soccer and football fields
5. Require pre-participation physicals
6. Heading drills in soccer should be done with lightweight balls, not standard soccer balls
7. Mandatory CPR training for coaches
8. Establish a hydration policy for athletes
9. Install softer playground surfaces
10. Pools must have fences at least 4-foot high and locking gates

SKATEBOARDING

FROM PAGE B1

open. It gives skateboarders a chance to do what we like to do without getting into trouble."

Robertson is not alone when it comes to praising the 16,000-square-foot facility, which formerly housed Michigan Dethockey.

"So far, so good," Simplicity Sk8 Park owner Bradd Rigoni said, when asked how the facility's first year unfolded. "It's been a lot of fun. We'll get up to 160 skateboarders in here a day. And once our outdoor ramps are ready later this year, that number will go up quite a bit."

'X' MARKED THE SPOT

Rigoni, 27, said the sport has become more popular among America's youth since ESPN started televising the X-Games 11 summers ago. Along with skateboarding, the X-games feature non-mainstream sports like motocross and wakeboarding.

"It seems like since ESPN started televising the X-Games, skateboarding is more accepted than it used to be," said Rigoni, a former Salem homecoming king who jumped on his first skateboard at the age of 7. "To some people, skateboarders were looked on as trouble-makers who were just hanging out. Now, thanks partly to the exposure it has gotten from TV, there is more acceptance."

NOT EASY AS 1-2-3

Westland resident Jimmy Doyle said becoming an accomplished skateboarder is more difficult than it may appear.

"You have to have talent and style," said Doyle. "I had to practice every day for about six months before I was good at any of the tricks. Now I can do 360's with my eyes closed."

Robertson said one of the most appealing qualities of skateboarding is the freedom it offers.

"I like it because you don't have to be a part of a team to skateboard," said Robertson, who practices at least one hour a day. "You can go out and do whatever you want to do, especially now that we have a place to go."



PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Westland's Jimmy Doyle, 16, displays his balancing ability Thursday after at Canton's Simplicity Sk8park.

make a wrong move and come in contact with the unyielding wooden apparatuses they perform their tricks on.

"There are injuries - an occasional broken wrist or finger - but not as many as you think there would be," Rigoni said. "We make everyone under 18 wear a helmet in here, just to be safe."

"One time last year I fell, hit my head and got knocked out for a little while," Doyle said. "But other than that, I've been pretty lucky."

The Super Bowl of competitions for area skateboarders is set for the last weekend in October at Simplicity Sk8park, when southeastern Michigan's finest will match skills in a two-day contest.

"Last year we had over 100 people enter and we gave away over \$1,000 in prizes, with the top prize being \$500 cash. We divide all of the entrants into divisions based on ability, not age, because we have some 10-year-olds who are better than some 20-year-olds."

Simplicity Sk8 Park is open daily from noon to 11 p.m. The cost is \$5 for two hours of boarding. For more information on the facility, visit its Web site at www.simplicitysk8park.com

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SOMETIMES IT HURTS

Unfortunately for its participants, skateboarding can turn into a contact sport real quick - like when the skateboarders



Canton resident Matt Riggle, 27, successfully slides down the 10-foot high half pipe at Simplicity Sk8land Thursday afternoon.

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First came "Greedy," a 1994 movie starring Michael J. Fox as a professional bowler in a story about a very wealthy man, played by an aging Kirk Douglas, with all of his inheritors hovering about waiting for him to expire.

He only trusted his nephew, played by Fox, the 63rd best pro bowler in the country, to make things right. It was a cute story, but really not necessarily about bowling.

Fox could have been a golfer or ping pong player for that matter.

Later on came "Kingpin," starring Woody Harrelson, along with Randy Quaid, who was a great bowler, but rather a hayseed when it came to everything else.

It was not very complimentary for the real bowling scene.

This flick was hyped up in advance, but was no better than "The Big Lebowski," starring Lloyd Bridges. I was almost as good as the X-rated "Bowling Babes from Buffalo."

And then there was Michael Moore's "Bowling for Columbine," but it wasn't even about bowling.

Now we have something to take a great deal of pride in being a bowler.

You may have already heard or read about "A League of Ordinary Gentlemen." It opened this week at the Landmark Main Art Theater in Royal Oak and some of the media were invited to Wednesday's advance screening.

The "Natural" and "Field of Dreams" were baseball classics, but this documentary could be in the same category as the best portrayal yet about the Pro Bowlers Tour. It chronicles the actual pros trials and tribulations, as well as all the glory.

A good portion of the footage was filmed in the Detroit area.

It is definitely worth seeing. And even if you are not a bowler, you will still enjoy this one, I guarantee it.

Industry news item: Bowling equipment manufacturers AMF and Qubica have formed a new partnership as of June 14.

The two companies have signed an agreement to form a 50-50 joint venture with the deal expected to be finalized within 45 to 60 days.

They will be able to start selling each other's products immediately.

QubicaAMF Worldwide will employ over 600 people with headquarters in Virginia and European headquarters in Bologna, Italy.

Qubica is best known for its innovative scoring systems, while AMF has revolutionized the bowling industry a number of times beginning with the invention and mass production of the automatic pinspotter in 1946.

AMF also created the first automated scoring system nearly 30 years ago and has added their HPL synthetic lanes in recent times.

AMF Bowling Centers are not a part of the joint venture and will continue to operate as an independent company.

According to the National Sporting Goods Association and the Bowling and Billiards Institute of America, bowling is the top participatory sport in the U.S.

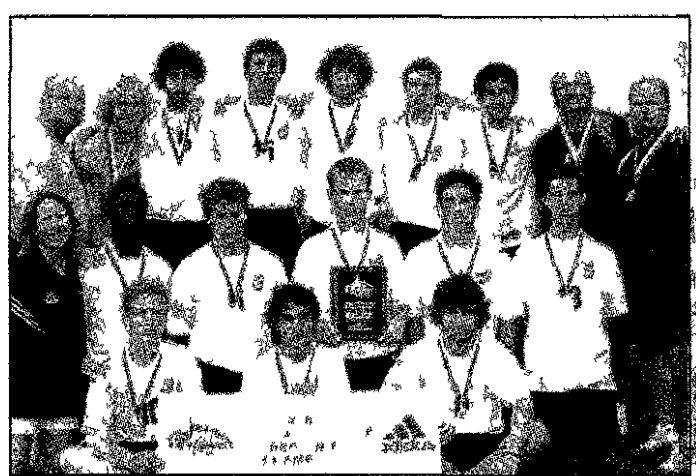
There are over 12,000 bowling centers worldwide, and more than 70 million bowls at least once per year in this country alone.

Additional information about QubicaAMF Worldwide is available on the web at www.qubicaamf.com.

Correction from last week: It was inaccurately stated they Kerry Schmansky of Westland bowled in the Michigan Junior Majors. The correct term is Michigan Junior Masters.

Sorry about that, I hope it didn't confuse anyone other than myself.

Al Harrison is a resident of Livonia and a director of the Greater Detroit Bowling Association. He can be reached at (248) 477-1839.



Members of the Vardar III '89 under 16 boys soccer team include (front row, from left): Brent McIntosh, Luis Pacheco, Mitch Howell (middle row, from left); team manager Kathy Taylor, Nosa Iyoha, Bobby Merritt, Tim Taylor, Jonathan Evans, James Getzen (back row, from left) assistant coach Morris Lupenec, Matt Walker, Kenny Simon, Nick Dreshaj, Chris Pruitt, Colin Givens, Justin Meram, head coach Mike Lupenec and assistant Jamie Huff.

Vardar III '89 soccer team Disney-bound

The Vardar III '89 boys soccer team, featuring several players with Observer-Eccentric area ties, are headed to the U.S. Youth Soccer National Championships, July 26-31, at Disney's Wide World of Sports Complex.

On June 29, Vardar III qualified by winning the Region II title in Sioux Falls, S.D. with a 1-0 win over the Chicago (Ill.) as Kenny Simon (Brighton) tallied the game-winning goal in the 74th minute.

In the semifinals, Vardar III defeated the Arsenal Bluejays (Neb.), 2-1, on penalty kicks after defeating the Michigan Wolves, 3-1, and tying the Madison (Wis.) '56ers, 1-1, in preliminary round action.

Area players from Vardar III, coached by Mike Lupenec, include Bobby Merritt, Livonia Stevenson High, Chris Pruitt and Brian Hale, Canton/Catholic Central, Brad Randolph and Tim Taylor, North Farmington, Ricky Erksen,

Beverly Hills-Detroit Country Day, Colin Givens, Troy, Luis Pacheco, Rochester, Hamid Tejan, West Bloomfield, and Brent McIntosh, Rochester Hills Stoney Creek.

Other members include Nick Dreshaj, Mount Clemens Chippewa Valley, Jonathan Evans, Woodhaven, James Getzen, Pinckney, Nosa Iyoha, Ann Arbor, Justin Meram, Utca Eisenhower, goalkeeper Matt Walker, Grand Blanc, and Simon.

Three other Michigan teams emerged as Region II winners including Vardar III (Under-17 Boys), Michigan Hawks (Under-16 Girls) and Vardar III (Under-13 Girls).

The Vardar III Under-17 Boys defeated the Chicago (Ill.) Sockers, 1-0, on penalty kicks, while the Vardar Under-13 Girls blanked the CIS Knocks (Ill.), 5-0.

Danielle Toney's goal in the 108th minute as the Michigan Hawks the Under-16 Girls championship with a 3-2 overtime win over Echipse Select (Ill.). Emily Esbrook scored the other two Hawks goals in the 70th and 83rd minutes.

Boll makes Whalers tougher team

The Plymouth Whalers announced the signing of 19-year-old center Jared Boll, who the Ontario Hockey League team acquired last week from the Kingston Frontenacs for a fifth round pick in the 2006 OHL draft.

"We're excited about having Jared on board," said Mike Vellucci, the Whalers president, general manager and head coach. "We think he'll bring scoring, grit and toughness to the rink."

Boll was equally thrilled about becoming a Whaler.

"I've heard nothing but good things about the Whalers," said Boll, who resides in Crystal Lake, Ill., a suburb of Chicago. "I'm excited to get started and become part of things, especially since Plymouth acquired my rights. I had a few options, but the OHL seems to suit my game."

By signing Boll, the Whalers "Chicago Connection" gets stronger. Current Whalers Gino Pisellini and Mike Letizia also come from the Chicago area, as do 2005 draft

choices Kyle Jendra and Vincent Loverde. Boll and Pisellini were teammates in 2002 with Team Illinois midgets.

Although Boll was drafted by Kingston in the sixth round (101st overall) of the 2002 OHL draft, he played the last two seasons for the Lincoln Stars of the United States Hockey League.

Boll recorded 23 goals and 24 assists while compiling a league-high 294 penalty minutes in 59 games last year. His efforts earned him a spot on the USHL All-Star team. Boll is currently ranked 212th by the National Hockey League Central Scouting Bureau among North American skaters.

"Penalty minutes are a part of the game," said Boll, who is known for his physical style of play. "I have no problem getting in your face. I have to play physical to be effective."

Boll will report to Plymouth's training camp Aug. 30 with the rest of the team. The Whalers' first preseason game is set for Saturday, Sept. 3, at 2 p.m., against Windsor

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Nine stars, nine trees

Alex Nelson, 18, Canton High School graduate, will attend Michigan Tech this fall to study Computer Engineering. Alex skillfully juggled schoolwork, extracurricular activities (Robotics Club), community service and knee surgery.

He attended Boys' State (as his grandfather did). He designed and renovated the Youth Room at First Presbyterian Church, along with a crew of eighth graders, constructing furniture, a coffee bar and painting a 4-foot by 9-foot mural.

Years of hard work and dedicated effort paid off when Alex achieved Eagle Scout ranking. He and his family celebrated this achievement at the Eagle Court of Honor Ceremony in May.

"I like people and enjoy scouting," Alex said. "Hard work paid off. Community service is a good thing, the right thing to do. Eagle Scout just happened along the way. Now I look back in amazement and think, 'I did that. Wow!'"

For 19 years, John Spencer has worked for Canton Township, currently the Budget and Water Bill Manager. John, a pre-baby boomer, born during World War II, learned about service from his father, who expected to serve his country as, "a right of passage."

When President Kennedy asked Americans to help others, "My fellow Americans, ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country," John answered by serving in the Army from 1965-67.

Military service helped me be responsible, self-disciplined and work with a team," John said. "It's important to support the troops. Reservists are pulled out of their normal lives, away from jobs and families. We have to welcome soldiers when they come home."

Like Alex, John juggles work and community service. He maintains the Veterans' Memorial in Canton and on Memorial Day, places flags in cemeteries.

In his inaugural address, John Kennedy said, "We dare not forget today that we are the heirs of that first revolution. Let the word go forth from this time and place, to friend and foe alike, that the torch has been passed to a new generation of Americans - born in this century, tempered by war, disciplined by a hard and bitter peace, proud of our ancient heritage, and unwilling to witness or permit the slow undoing of those human rights to which this nation has always been committed, and to which we are committed today at home and around the world."

How do we know when the torch has been passed? Maybe it happens at an Eagle Scout ceremony or when a Veteran places a flag on a soldier's grave.

Veteran John Spencer says, "We're all in this life together. We need to pay honor to those who protect us. Freedom isn't free."

Near the front door of Central Middle School, protected by a hedge, there is a knee-high stone monument with nine stars, engraved with nine names: "Myron H. Beals, Chas. Burch, Chas. Chappell, Scott D. Cortrite, Walter E. Gordon, Vernon B. Henderson, David Oliver, Harry J. Rattenbury, J. Edward Tighe."

"This monument erected by Ex-Servicemen's Club to mark the site of nine trees which were planted in 1919 in memory of the Plymouth boys who died in their country's service during 1917-1918." Dedicated Memorial Day, May 30, 1940.

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Illustrator Kimberly Shaw-Peterson, left, and authors Shannon Trost, middle, and Lisa Lewandowski sit amongst the Darcy Daisy display at the Coffee Bean in Plymouth.

Floral connection

New book uses flowers to explain complicated disorder

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Shannon Trost has a friend whose mother suffers from bipolar disorder, and the friend was always asking for advice on how to talk to her children about what their grandmother goes through. So, being a good friend, Trost, a Farmington Hills resident who owns a bachelor's degree in psychology from Eastern Michigan University, tried to help. But when she went looking for material that could help, but she couldn't find anything.

It's a void Trost and Lisa Lewandowski, a friend with a Ph.D. in clinical psychology from Bowling Green University, set out to fill.

And Darcy Daisy was born. Darcy is the title character in *Darcy Daisy and the Firefly Festival*, the first effort from co-authors Trost and Lewandowski. Darcy and other garden characters help children understand the impact of the disorder in a way that's educational and entertaining.

"(Bipolar) is becoming more and more prevalent in society, and kids are hearing about it all the time," said Trost, who has two children, 8-year-old Seton and Peyton, 4, with husband Karl. "Flowers are something children can identify with. You can do it with color, something that isn't dark and frightening. We wanted something kids could identify with, without having to be a human character."

Trost and Lewandowski met in

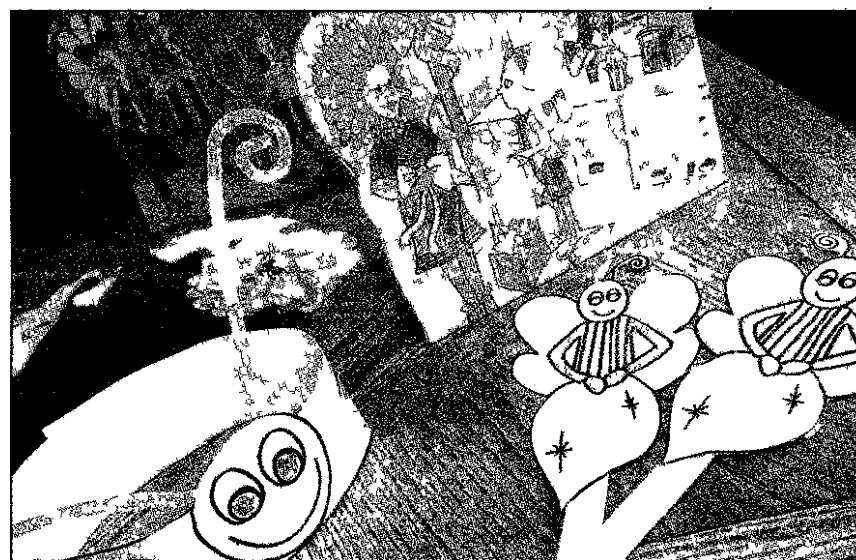
1992 while teaching a summer program for inner-city students hoping to be incoming freshmen at EMU. Trost, originally from South Lyon, went on to get her bachelor's degree in psychology, with a minor in sociology. Lewandowski earned a bachelor's and a master's in psychology at EMU before moving on to Bowling Green.

The friends worked on the book for three years, trying to find ways to explain a very complicated issue in a very simple form, while at the same time making it entertaining, rather than frightening. "Based on my clinical work with patients and hearing how disruptive bipolar can be, we felt it was time something was written in a language children can understand," Lewandowski said. "We also wanted to reduce the stigma of mental illness in general."

Once the women decided the characters would be flowers, they did research to match flowers with certain personalities. For instance, they discovered that bugleweeds can be a destructive force in gardens. So they made the gossipy flowers in Darcy's garden bugleweeds.

"We tried to literally visualize the garden as a community," Lewandowski said. "We felt it would give our illustrator more freedom. Storybooks for children are as much about the pictures as they are about the story."

Enter Kimberly Shaw-Peterson of Plymouth, whom the authors hired to illustrate *Darcy Daisy*. Peterson, a Livonia native who graduated from Churchill High



Authors decided to make the characters in their book flowers because "flowers are something children can identify with."

School in 1992 and studied art history at Schoolcraft College, was recommended to the authors by a mutual friend.

Shaw-Peterson put on a display of paintings she'd done at the Plymouth Coffee Bean last October. Robert Hall of Heide's Flowers, where Shaw-Peterson worked, Hall recommended Shaw-Peterson to Trost and Lewandowski.

Shaw-Peterson got a copy of the *Darcy Daisy* manuscript and did some sketches.

"It was a very big deal for me, I was very excited," said Shaw-Peterson, who has an 18-month-old daughter, Ella, with husband Scott. "I really liked the idea of the characters being in a flower garden. It's like a whole other village."

Shaw-Peterson did the sketches, and the authors - who considered a few other illustrators - made what they now feel was a no-brain-

er decision: they hired Shaw-Peterson. "When we saw Kim's sketches, she blew us away," Trost said. "She tuned right into our vision of the characters. There were very few changes to her original sketches. She just brought it to life."

Once that happened, the women needed a publisher. They'd read about First Page Publications, the Livonia publishing house, in the local newspaper. After trying without success - to sell the book through agents, the women approached First Page.

Now the book is available for \$9.95 through the publisher at www.firstpagepublications.com or on Amazon.com.

"We've had overwhelmingly positive response," Lewandowski said, "especially from family members who have someone who's bipolar."

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Mesmerizing Harry Potter casts spell on readers

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

July 16 promises to be a magical day at The Books Connection in Livonia. Since sales doubled for the release of the last Harry Potter book about the orphan's fifth year at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry, owner Kathleen Mahnske expects just as many customers to purchase *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince*. The Livonia resident began taking reservations for copies back in early January.

While Borders, Waldenbooks and Barnes & Noble book stores are cele-

brating with midnight parties that begin on July 15, Mahnske is offering customers the chance to win a copy of the book by J.K. Rowling. With each \$25 purchase they will be entered into a drawing. But take heart, if you don't win, Mahnske is offering 30 percent off sales of the book.

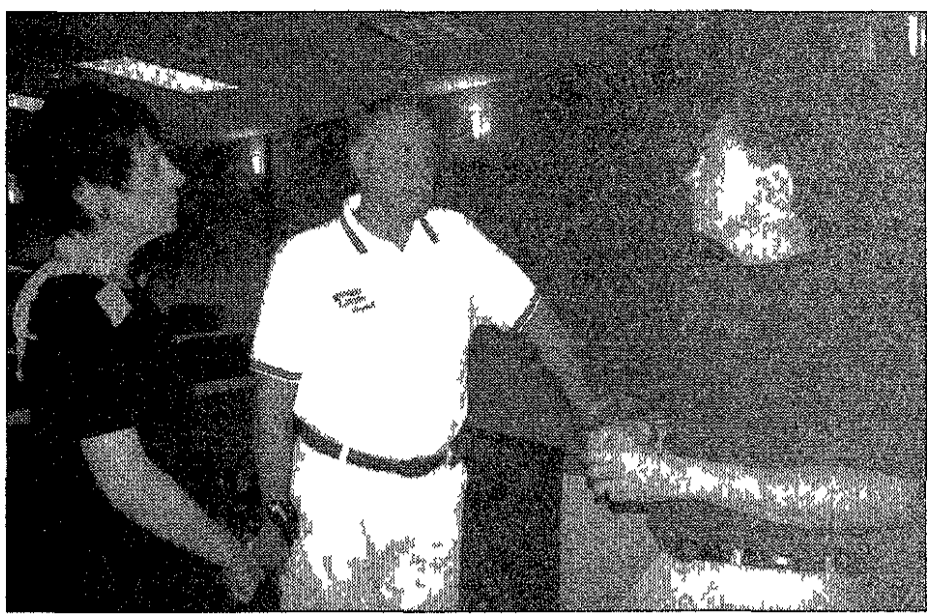
"They don't really stop asking between books," said Mahnske who sells new and used books at the store where a Harry Potter display board is counting down the days to July 16. "It's not just kids, it's moms and dads."

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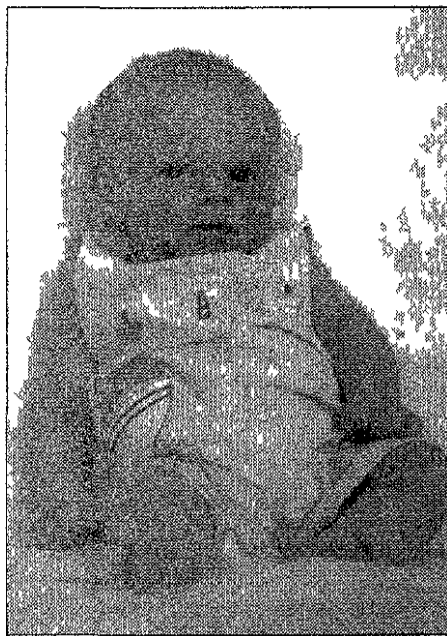
Stephanie Cyburt, 12, of Livonia, (left to right) Ben Anderson, 11, of Livonia, Nick Anderson, 13, of Livonia, Lisa Dishew, 14, of Redford, and Moriah Gonzalez, 13, of Detroit sit in The Books Connection with a few copies of past Harry Potter books as they await the arrival of *Harry Potter and The Half-Blood Prince*.



History workshop

Westland resident Lee E. Cagle, eighth-grade language arts and social studies teacher at The Henry Ford, attended a five-day National Endowment for the Humanities sponsored Landmarks of History Workshop for School Teachers this summer offered by Henry Ford Community College in Dearborn. Fifty-four educators attended from 21 states. High school teachers and other K-12 educators are attending the workshop entitled "The Rouge Plant: Henry Ford and Manufacturing History, 1917-2004." The workshop focused on the impact of Henry Ford in American history and the importance of the Ford Rouge plant. Cagle talks with award-winning author Kevin Boyle, right, and historical presenter at The Henry Ford and retired educator Shirley R. Ruschke. Boyle is the author of "Arc of Justice" which won the National Book Award for non-fiction in 2004 and was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Critics Circle Award.

BIRTHS



Rick and Jennifer Riordan of Northville announce the birth of their son Jack Richard, on May 16, 2005, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Jack joins big sister, Samantha, 2 years old. His grandparents are Jerry and Nancy Smith of Canton, Trina Riordan of Farmington Hills, and Dick and Corinne Riordan of Commerce Township.



Star Struck

(July 10 - July 13)
By Dennis Fairchild

ARIES (March 21-April 20)
This is potentially a good week before the Sun sign shift for money and business matters as you have the energy and ambition to make things happen. Ram. But there is also a danger that you could be a bit reckless and end up worse off than when you started. Everything in moderation now, even excess!

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)
With Saturn changing signs a week from now and churning up your emotions, you are bound to feel a bit confused and cranky. However, the first step seems to be to tweak your finances and at least give a new format a fair trial. Bull. Breathe deeply, think deeply.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)
You know what it is you want to be doing, so why do you hesitate? Twin? If you're waiting for some kind of signal, you might wait forever, so summon up your courage and do what feels right. Don't wait for permission, kiddo! Now's the time to get movin' before your ruling planet Mercury goes retro.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)
For quite some time now, your personal life appears to have been overshadowed by some kind of upset on the home front. Now, however, you can give loved ones fair warning that it would be foolish to push you an inch further or expect anything more than they are entitled to receive.

LEO (July 24-Aug 23)
All the joys of life really do relate to love, work, health, and money. And this week's planetary activity only signifies that the moment has come to call a halt emotionally and financially. In other words, redefine your role and think more about your own long-term happiness.

VIRGO (Aug 24-Sept 23)
Someone once observed that con science can be likened to a guest whose visit never ends and you certainly seem to believe that you have blotted your diary. Virgo. However, your best bet now is to distance yourself from those which churn up your emotions or impose too

many restrictions.

LIBRA (Sept 24-Oct 23)
With the Moon in your sign next week, it's time to slow down and count your blessings. Lately, you've been moving so fast that you may have overlooked just how lucky you are to have people around you who can always be counted on to look out for your interests. Let 'em know, Balancer!

SCORPIO (Oct 24-Nov 22)
If something you hear through the grapevine can be turned to your advantage, you mustn't hesitate to use it before Saturn changes signs next Saturday. You may not have been supposed to hear it, but that's irrelevant. Since the info is public, you own it as much as anyone else!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23-Dec 21)
Current planetary activity says that any changes or disturbances, either at work or home, are for the best. Archer. For although emotions are much too close to the surface at the moment, you are about to experience rare feelings of satisfaction, contentment, and security.

CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 21)
Seldom have you been under such pressure and put to the test personally, emotionally, and professionally. Cap. However, if you continue to deny and stick to your principles, you may discover that what others expect is of no further use to you anymore, kiddo.

AQUARIUS (Jan 22-Feb 19)
You can be as headstrong and stubborn as the next person, but maybe you have been forced to take a stand over financial or family matters recently? However, the time has come, to settle your differences and stop dwelling on what was and start dancing to a better tune, kid.

PISCES (Feb 20-March 20)
Believe it or not, the good times are about to get better! The Sun's final week in your element will boost your confidence to such an extent that for once you won't be scared to take the kind of risks that make things happen. Fish. You have little to lose, but loads to gain!

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Culver-Meyn
Robert and Cathy Culver of Pinckney, formerly of Farmington, announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Rebecca Culver, to David Meyn of Dublin, Ohio, formerly of Canton. Rebecca is a graduate of Michigan State University. She is a teacher at Licking Heights High School. Her fiancé, David, is the son of Kevin and Cindy Meyn of Brighton. He is a graduate of Michigan State University. He is employed with Masco Contracting Services. David and Rebecca are planning a July wedding at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Livonia with a reception at Waldenwoods. They plan a honeymoon cruise to Mexico and will be making their new home in Hilliard, Ohio.



Priebe-Bray
Richard and Deborah Priebe of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Shelly Mary Priebe, to Christopher Charles Bray, of Cary, N.C. Shelly

earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in social work from Michigan State University in 2004, and a Master's Degree in social work from Wayne State University in May 2005. Shelly and Chris first met while students at Plymouth Canton High School. They both graduated in 1999. Her fiancé, Christopher, is the son of Richard and Barbara Bray of Plymouth. He earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in telecommunications from Michigan State University in 2003. He is employed by Red Storm Entertainment as a video game developer. Christopher and Shelly are planning an October wedding at Sacred Heart Chapel on the campus of Marygrove College in Detroit. They plan a honeymoon trip to Hawaii and will be making their new home in Cary, N.C.



DeSempelaere-Bruehl
Marcel and Florence DeSempelaere of Northville announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Michelle Marie, to Wolfgang Franz Bruehl. Michelle is a graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School. She is a

graduate of University of Michigan and earned her Master's Degree in accounting from Walsh College. She is employed at Samsomatic, Ltd and is part owner of Just Dogs' Gourmet in Milford and 12 Oaks Mall. Her fiancé, Wolfgang, is the son of Eberhard and Christel Bruehl of Mamtel, Germany. He received a degree in electrical engineering from Fachhochschule Frankfurt. He is an electrical engineer and programmer at Samsomatic, Ltd. Wolfgang and Michelle are planning a July wedding at West Side United Methodist Church in Ann Arbor with a reception at Fox Hills. They plan a honeymoon trip to Northern Michigan and are making their new home in Milford.

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Yacht cruise

Set sail aboard the 138 foot Ovation yacht for a private afternoon cruise and help support Madonna University students The Presidential Ovation Yacht Cruise is on Sunday Aug 7 from 4 p.m. and features 'Illusions' by magician Steve Douglas and wine tasting The event is sponsored by Joseph Primo a long time benefactor and a member of the Madonna University DeSales Lifetime Giving Society Boarding time is 3:30 p.m. at the Jefferson Beach Marina on the Nautical Mile located in St. Clair Shores Cost per person is \$150 Proceeds benefit the Madonna University scholarship fund and educational projects Tickets must be purchased by Friday July 15 Online registration is available at www.madonna.edu or by calling Rose Kachnowski at (734) 432 5421

Pressure points

A local authority will appear at the Carl Sandburg Library in Livonia for a free workshop at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday July 20 The workshop will focus on teaching how to find and treat pressure points for headaches back pain sinuses neck pain carpal tunnel PMS low energy and joint pain To register call (248) 426 0201 Seating is limited

Northville Garden Club

The Northville Garden Club's annual garden walk takes place 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday July 13 Five gardens in Northville will be featured from pristine to expansive to quaint countryside Tickets in advance are \$10 and can be purchased after June 13 from Gardenviews 202 W. Main in Northville For more information call Kate Daniel (734) 591 0360

Madonna golf

Madonna University hosts its 10th annual Golden Classic Scholarship Golf Outing Friday Sept 16 at the Links of Novi 50395 Ten Mile Rd The outing's schedule of events 10 a.m. a free Golf Clinic (featuring PGA Pros Bob Percy Nick Kouba and Gary Whitener) 11:30 a.m. Lunch 12:15 p.m. Shotgun Start (best ball scramble format) 5 p.m. Cocktail Hour with a Live Auction (featuring a vacation to the Providenciales Island in the Turks and Caicos Islands British West Indies fine jewel

ry dinners and more) 6:15 p.m. Dinner with Awards and a Silent Auction The event offers a variety of prizes including three hole in one cars trips a Rolex watch premium gift give aways and other awards Also a scholarship raffle drawing will have a cash prize of \$3,000 a seven day Charlevoix vacation a sapphire and diamond ring and an overnight stay in the Presidential Suite at Embassy Suites in Livonia Early Birdie registration received before Aug 1 enters players into a drawing for golf for four at the Tournament Players Club (TPC) and golf at Wabek Country Club A foursome is \$700 and individual players are \$175 After Aug 1 the cost for golf and dinner for a foursome is \$800 for individual players golf and dinner is \$200 Dinner alone is \$50 per person Sponsorship opportunities are available ranging from \$150 to \$15,000 For more information call Rose Kachnowski at (734) 432 5421

Claude Pepper awards

The Senior Advisory Council for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network has extended the nomination deadline for its 15th annual Claude Pepper Awards honoring outstanding senior citizen advocates to Saturday July 30 The awards will be presented Sept. 9 to two individuals whose professional or volunteer efforts have made significant contributions to improving the lives of Michigan seniors particularly those whose access to health care services may be hindered by physical mental financial or geographical limitations Winners will receive a check for \$1,000 to be given to their respective nonprofit organizations The Claude Pepper Award is named for the late U.S. senator from Florida a lifelong activist for the nation's elderly Nomination forms are available online at http://www.bcbasm.com/home/social_mission/community_recognition_awards.shtml Completed forms should be sent to Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Claude Pepper Awards Mail Code 0250 600 E Lafayette Blvd Detroit MI 48226 Envelopes must be postmarked by July 30

Golf outing

Project Compassion Ministries Inc a not for profit organization enriching the quality of life for Nursing Home Residents holds its 18th annual golf benefit Monday Aug 8 with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start at Fox Hills 8768 N Territorial in Plymouth Registration fee for golf cart & hot luncheon is \$125 with an early bird rate of \$115 for registrations received by July 8 Students may register for \$75 and



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Braveheart Center

BraveHeart Grief Center announced its summer grief support groups for the Northville area All support groups are open to all members in the community who have suffered the loss of someone close to them Advance registration is encouraged although not required The Adults Loss Support Group meets 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays through July 26 at the

Braveheart Grief Center 126 Main Centre in Northville Call Jeri Craig or Sandy Van Koeveing (248) 449 8232 to register

Hospice training

Heartland Hospice is looking for caring and dedicated people with an interest in serving terminally ill patients and their families in Washtenaw Livingston and western Wayne counties Volunteers provide services such as friendly visiting patient transport/patient outings errand running grief support and clerical services Contact Ann Christensen volunteer coordinator for more information on winter training classes at (888) 973 1145

Grief support

New Hope Center for Grief Support is a Christian based bereavement outreach and resource center located in Northville Age

appropriate groups for widows and widowers are provided in various locations in south eastern Michigan including groups for young widows and widowers and their children between the ages of 4 through the teen years Groups for parents who have lost a child adults who have lost a parent pet loss and other specialized groups are offered at various times of the year All services for adults and children are offered at no cost to the participants If you are grieving or know someone who is please call our office at (248) 348 0115 for further information about services provided by New Hope Center for Grief Support or visit www.newhopecenter.net

CLUBS

Rotary A.M.

The Plymouth Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M. meets at 7 a.m. every Tuesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center 525 Farmer New members are always welcome Contact Tim Phillips president Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M. via e mail at tim@philipshq.com or call (734) 451 8267

Mosaic

MOSAIC is a group where Moms come together to be refreshed and equipped for the important task of mothering We present speakers on child & family issues have small group discussion time crafts and brunch Childcare is provided We meet at Plymouth Baptist Church (42021 Ann Arbor Trail) on the first and third Tuesday mornings of each month September to May Contact Resha at 734 207 0658 or resha@juno.com

Moms Club

Moms Club of Livonia S/Plymouth offers a variety of activities For more details call Birthe (734)458 8143 or Martina (734)464 0481

DAR

The Sarah Ann Cochrane Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution meets the third Monday of each month except January July and August A group with ancestors who fought in American Revolution Members participate in community work involving veterans hospitals schools and community service Call 734 420 2775 for further information

German/American Club of Plymouth Meets on the third Thursday of the month at the Knights of Columbus Hall located at 39100 Schoolcraft Road Plymouth Call Mary Ann at (734) 420 0857 for further information

CLASS REUNIONS

As space permits the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers print without charge announcements of class reunions Send the information to Reunions Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Livonia MI 48170 Please include the date of the reunion one contact person and a telephone number

REUNIONS

Avondale

Class of 1965 Avondale High School will have its 40 year reunion on Sept 10 2005 at 6:30 p.m. aboard the Clinton Friendship Boat in Mt. Clemens Cost is \$55/person Dinner dancing and a 4 hour cruise For more information contact (248) 334 7021 or email mikearde_lean@msn.com

Berkley High School

Class of 1965 A 40 year reunion will be Sept 17 2005 at the Berkley American Legion Hall For more information contact Sharon (Reemsnyder) Reich (248) 557 3182 or sayreic@aol.com

Birmingham High School

Class of 1955 A 50 year reunion will be Sept 22 23 2005 at the Radisson Kingsley Inn Bloomfield Hills Contact Nancy Yarnell Schutte at (248) 646 0235 or nys1937@comcast.net

Bishop Borgess

Class of 1985 A 20 year reunion is planned for Friday Nov 25 2005 at the Novi Sheraton For details contact Dean Lundberg at (734) 718 2720 or dlundberg@comcast.net

Cherry Hill High School

All Classes July 30 31 at Cherry Hill High School at the football field behind the school Pre registration \$15/person At the gate \$20/person Mail pre registration (checks payable to CHHS Alumni Association) with your name year of graduation and a self addressed stamped envelope to Debbie Troyer Stone 1412 W River Park Dr Inkster MI 48141 dbal824@aol.com

Clarenceville

Classes 1944 1957 The Clarenceville Gala Reunion No. 4 will be 6 p.m. on Oct 1 2005 at the Holiday Inn 17123 N. Laurel Park Dr Livonia For more information call Russ Robitaille at (517) 655 3183 or email robiee@aol.com

Class of 1975 A 30 year reunion is in the planning stages Contact Bob Sheets (248) 437 9131 BKS1957@aol.com Cori Cann (248) 960 8910 canlady441@comcast.net Tim Preville (248) 478 0212 tlpreville@hotmail.com or Barb Resetar (Hill) (248) 478 2004 babs357@sbcglobal.net

Class of 1985 A 20 year reunion is planned for Sept 10 2005 Contact Carrie Summers (Tripsansky) at (248) 478 5261

Clawson High School

Class of 1955 A 50 year reunion is being planned For more information call Barbara or Warner at (248) 435 4351 or e mail wiseppe@wideopenwest.com

Class of 1975 A 30 year reunion is planned for July 9 2005 at San Marino Club in Troy A family picnic will be Sunday July 10 at the Clawson City park Pavilion at 1 p.m. Bring your own picnic For more information visit www.clawson1975.com or contact Bev Serre Raine at (248) 689 3381 or e mail bevraine@comcast.net

Cody High School

Class of 1965 1966 A reunion is planned for Sept 17 2005 at the Italian American Banquet Hall in Livonia Cost is \$75/person which includes dinner open bar dancing and memory Book 1965 graduates contact Ed Kempisty (810) 629 1542 Tom Mellos (313) 884 5469 or www.geocities.com/codycomets65 If you are a 1966 graduate contact Greg Dobson (248) 437 4649 or jmackie95@yahoo.com

Cooley High School

Class of 1950/1951 A 55 year reunion is planned on the weekend of Sept 23 25 2005 For information call Don Riehl at (734) 421 3150

Class of 1955

A 50 year reunion is planned for Sept 17 2005 For more information contact Penny Mertz Howley at (248) 553 2195

Crestwood High School

Class of 1975 A 30 year reunion is planned for July 9 2005 Contact Sandychs75@aol.com or call (248) 551 6978

Denby High School

Class of 1965 A 40 year reunion is planned for Oct 22 2005 For more information call Nancy (Horn) Catalogna at (248) 332 7438 or e mail toBbytheC@msn.com

Class of 1955

An early fall reunion is planned for graduates of Denby High School Detroit ASAP (248) 349 6354

Class of 1956

Jan June & Summer School 1956 is seeking graduates for 50th year Golden Jubilee Reunion in the fall of 2006 Contact Doreen (McClennan) Weber at dajweb@juno.com or Jerry Love at (586) 739 3840

Detroit Mackenzie

Classes January/June 1945 A 60 year reunion is planned for June 18 2005 Other 40's also welcome Contact Richard Saxby at (313) 837 0641

Detroit Redford

Class of 1955 A 50 year reunion is planned for the January and June classes for Sept 22 23 2005 at the Double Tree Hotel in Novi For more information contact Carolyn Roberts Hartwig 27851 Caranleigh Farmington Hills 48336 or RHS1955Reunion@aol.com

Detroit Southwestern

Class of 1955 A 50 year reunion will be Oct 15 2005 at the Greektown Casino in Detroit Tickets are \$50 For more information call (810) 227 7167

Edsel Ford

Class of 1970 Dearborn Edsel Ford High School is planning a 35 year reunion Saturday July 16 2005 at Park Place in Dearborn Contact Patti Taylor at (313) 268 5877 after 5 p.m. or e mail msredhead1952@comcast.net

Farmington High School

Class of 1975 A 30 year reunion is planned for Saturday July 16 2005 at Courtyard by Marriott 31525 West 12 Mile Farmington Hills This will be a dinner banquet Class of 1975 Planner <http://www.aspenreunion.com/fhs.htm> or orloffal@aol.com or <http://www.fhsfal.conalumni.us/>

Fordson

Class of 1952 Dearborn Fordson High School is planning a 53 year reunion at Park Place in Dearborn on Saturday Aug 6 2005 Other weekend activities also planned Contact (313) 562 4378 or orloffal@aol.com or mmsmyth@juno.com

Class of 1960

Class of 1960 plus all other grads will have a reunion Sept 17 2005 Contact Ed Braun at (248) 960 3671 (anytime) or Nunzio Pipitone at (313) 565 4322 2195

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Class of 1985

A 20 year reunion is planned for 6 p.m. to midnight Oct 1 at Roma s in Garden City For tickets and more information contact Sherry (Taylor) Mifsud at Sherrylyn1967@aol.com or call (734) 612 4193

Garden City Schools

The Garden City Schools Alumni Reunion 2005 is scheduled for Sept 23 25 with a schedule of activities including visits to the Garden City Historical Museum a tour of Garden City High School a euchre tournament to raise money for the alumni scholarship fund and a dinner dance at the Ypsilanti Marriott at Eagle Crest

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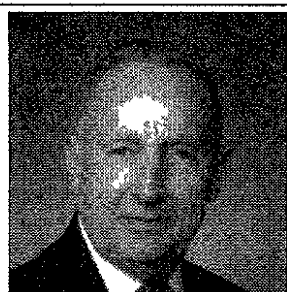
July 5 2005 age 83 of Livonia Beloved wife of the late Norman Dear mother of Donald (Pamela) James (Bobbi) Paul (Lori and Marlys) (Peter) Hasnik Grandmother of 10 Great grandmother of 8 Family did receive friends at the Lutheran Home 28910 Plymouth Rd Livonia Friday from 2 9 PM Family requests memorials to the Lutheran Home Livonia Please visit and post a tribute at www.uhfuneralhome.com

KENNETH WESLEY, STRAUB

July 6 2005 age 78 of Westland Beloved husband of Yvette Dear father of Cynthia (Michael) Dornbush Denise (Robert) Marable and Michael (Loretta Garren) Straub Brother of Katherine Brock Grandfather of Brian Marable Jeanette Blasius Jessica Dornbush Matthew Dornbush and Michael Straub Mass of the Resurrection was held at St. Thomas A Becket Church Canton with Rev. Patrick Casey officiating Please visit and post a tribute at www.uhfuneralhome.com

JACK P. WILSON

Age 94 of Brighton formerly of Redford Michigan and Lakeland Florida passed away on Thursday July 7th in Brighton Michigan following an extended illness He was born March 17 1911 in Buffalo New York the son of Edwin and Jennie Wilson On October 30 1935 he was married to Annie Wilson in Detroit and together they lived in Redford Michigan then in Lakeland Florida until Mrs. Wilson passed away on January 15 1998 Mr. Wilson then moved to Farmington Hills MI in 1999 and then to Brighton MI in 2004 to be closer to his family Mr. Wilson had been employed with the Kelsey Hayes Corporation in Milford then at Brighton plant as a plant manager until his retirement in 1973 Surviving are 1 daughter Sue (Tom) Pound of Brighton 2 grandsons Doug (Renee) Palmer of Southfield MI and Jack (Linda) Palmer of Troy MI and great grandchildren Robert Ryan Melanie and Michael Private family services and cremains interment will be held later at Grand Lawn cemetery in Detroit Memorial contributions are requested to the American Cancer Society in Jack's name The family was served by the Keehn Funeral Home in Brighton MI



STUART (Stu) R. ADAMS
NAP, LCDR, USNR

LCDR Stuart (Stu) R. Adams, 87 died June 25 in Pensacola FL LCDR Adams was preceded in death by his wife of 57 years Virginia Hosner Adams He was born the second son of Ross G. Adams and Elizabeth Adams both deceased in Southfield Township Birmingham MI on May 9 1918 He enlisted in the Navy 23 November 1940 advancing to aviation mechanics mate second class He entered Naval Aviation Pilot (NAP) training in October 1942 graduating as Naval Aviation Pilot First Class in July 1943 and was assigned duty in the Pacific Theater He received a reserve commission in the Naval Reserve at the end of World War II and returned home to Birmingham Michigan He returned to active duty in May 1952 and remained on active duty until retirement in June 1970 During active duty he completed over 10 000 hours as pilot in command His aircraft ratings were commercial single and multi engine land and sea, instrument and helicopters Stu and Ginny moved to Pensacola FL in 1962 He was very active in the many military and civilian organizations in the local area and enjoyed them all very much His daughter and son in law Anna Mary and Ron Zimmerman of Pensacola survive him Two grandsons and 4 great grandchildren David and Tammy Zimmerman children Megan and Matthew of Pensacola and Chris and Cassandra Zimmerman children Olivia and Nate of Leesburg VA A sister and brother in law Anna Mary and James Deneau niece Pamela Deneau a nephew Ross Deneau his wife Pamela and son Jason Sister in law Erika Hosner niece and her husband Clare and Stuart Doyle their sons Matthew and Stuart niece and her husband Carol and Lance Fencale and their children Nicholas and Natalie and a nephew Carl Hosner and his wife Lisa and their daughters Lauren and Taylor all of the Birmingham Michigan His dog and best friend Winston also survives him Stu was a good old buddy and pal and a true gentleman He will be greatly missed by all of his family and friends Memorial services will be held Tuesday July 12 10 am Franklin Community Church Franklin Michigan In lieu of flowers the family requests those memorial donations be made in his name to the National Museum of Naval Aviation Pensacola FL



CHARLES CHYNOWETH

86 formerly of Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills died Monday July 4 2005 in Palm Beach Gardens Florida Born in Houghton Michigan Graduated from Adrian Michigan High School and Kettering University Charles served in the United States Navy during World War II as a Lieutenant He was employed by the General Motors Corp for 47 years retiring as assistant general sales manager of Cadillac in 1984 Charles was a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity Bhm Lodge A F & A M and Scottish Rite Charles is survived by his wife Irene daughters Bonnie of Palm Beach Gardens Florida and Barbara of Houston, Texas son Charles N and grandsons Christopher and Cooper of West Palm Beach Florida In lieu of flowers please give to the Memorial Fund at The Salvation Army



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Help teen lose weight by setting a good example

A couple of weeks ago, eight - count them - eight of my grandchildren and their three mothers came for a visit. I have thought a lot about this column because I do not wish to sound autocratic or blaming about a growing health problem we are experiencing today among adolescents.

Yet, I know the answer to the weight control is families who lead by example. All of these mothers religiously exercise and all control family food eating behavior and steer their adolescents toward sports. Two teens in the crowd are on rowing teams, both of these boys play many sports, one girl rides horseback and is an Irish dancer. One teen plays soccer. She also rode her bike from Atlanta to Santa Barbara last summer!

More than 15 percent of children between the ages of 6 and 19 are overweight. Studies indicate that overweight and obese adolescents have up to an 80 percent chance of becoming overweight and obese adults, especially if one or more parent has the same condition. Is your adolescent overweight?

Although you may think that your teen is overweight or even obese, only a doctor should make that determination (calculating your child's body mass index, or BMI, can be a good indicator).

Not only are overweight and obese adolescents at risk for serious health conditions like type 2 diabetes, high blood pressure, and high cholesterol - all once considered exclusively adult issues - they're also prone to low self-esteem that stems from being teased, bullied or rejected by peers. Overweight teens are more likely than average weight children to develop unhealthy dieting habits and eating disorders, such as anorexia nervosa and bulimia, and they may be more prone to depression, as well as substance abuse.

Being overweight or obese can be associated with medical conditions that affect an adolescent's present and future health.

- trouble with bones and joints
- shortness of breath that

makes exercise, sports, or any physical activity more difficult and may aggravate the symptoms or increase the chances of developing asthma.

- restless or disordered sleep patterns

■ tendency to mature earlier (overweight teens may be taller and more sexually mature than their peers, overweight girls may enter puberty earlier, have irregular menstrual cycles, excessive body hair growth, and may experience potential fertility problems in adulthood)

■ the presence of risk factors such as hypertension, lipid problems, insulin resistance, and type 2 diabetes, which can lead to the early development of cardiovascular disease

- liver problems
- depression

What causes obesity? If someone becomes overweight or obese, genetic factors, lifestyle habits, or both



Teens in 2005

Alice McCarthy

may be involved.

Much of what teens eat is quick and easy - from fat-laden fast food to microwave and prepackaged meals. Portion sizes, in the home and out, have drastically increased.

Once many kids get home from school, virtually all of their free time before dinner, doing homework, and getting ready for bed is spent in front of one screen or another!

Genes help determine how our body stores and burns fat. Genes and habits can be passed down from one generation to the next, multiple members of a family may

struggle with weight.

The key to keeping kids at a healthy weight is taking a whole-family approach. Make eating and exercise a family affair. Have your teens help you plan healthy meals and go grocery shopping.

Teens like fast-food joints, but try to steer them toward healthier choices like grilled chicken sandwiches, salads, and smaller sizes. Encourage them to join a school sports team, or alternative sport like skateboarding, inline skating or mountain biking. Don't force any one sport - help your children find what they enjoy and then support them in their efforts.

Cut down on TV, computer, and video game time, and discourage eating while watching. Try to include five servings of fruits and vegetables a day in their diet, plan healthy snacks, and encourage your adolescent to eat a nutritionally balanced breakfast.

Let your teens know you love them - no matter what their weight - and that you want to help them be happy and healthy.

With thanks to Sandra Hassink, M.D., Kids Health Alice R. McCarthy, Ph.D. is a national consultant in the areas of parent involvement in schools, curriculum writing in health and health publications. Listed in several *Who's Who* she is the author of a widely used text and parenting book *Healthy Teens Facing the Challenges of Young Lives*. Write to her in care of the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150.

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Jazz festival dedicates tunes to one of their own

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

One hour after Dennis Timi's cousin died of brain and lung cancer on Feb 18 he was playing piano for a Wayne State University concert to benefit tsunami relief. Larry Nozero would have wanted it that way. The well-known saxophonist performed for many a fund-raiser during the more than 40 years he led his group.

On Sunday, July 17, Timi and 200 musicians, who shared stages with Nozero, dedicate the Michigan Jazz Festival to the memory of the man who played with legends such as Ella Fitzgerald, Dizzy Gillespie and Stan Kenton.

Nozero, who died at age 61, performed for all of the festivals since the first one at the Botsford Inn 11 years ago. This year local musicians, including five big bands, play everything from straight ahead jazz to music with a Brazilian beat noon to 10:30 p.m. at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia. For more information, call (248) 474-2720 or (734) 459-2454. For a complete schedule visit <http://MichiganJazzFestival.com>.

Among the performers on six stages are Johnny Trudell, Tom Saunders, Hot Club of Detroit, Los Gatos, Brazil & Beyond, the World's Oldest Sax Section, Paint Creek Jazz Band, and Matt Michaels and Barbara Ware of Southfield.

For the first time the Schoolcraft College Jazz Band plays under the direction of Russ Miller from noon to 1:30 p.m. on the Cohen/Stemway Stage in the DiPonio Room. University of Michigan student Amy Borner plays a tribute to Nat King Cole with her trio 1:30-2:30 p.m. in Henry's Cafeteria. The Dennis Timi Trio with bassist Jeff Halsey and Dave Taylor, drums, perform 6:15-7:15 p.m. on the Woodbridge/Moro Stage in Lower Waterman.

"Our mothers were sisters and we played together for 50 years since we were kids," said Timi who co-founded the Wayne State University jazz studies program. The Farmington Hills resident has taught at Wayne for 31 years



Bill Bresler | Staff Photographer
Matt Michaels (left), Dan Jordan and Jerry McKenzie perform standards Sunday, July 17 at the Michigan Jazz Festival

and is presently chairman of the music department and director of choral activities. Larry and I used to live together, composed together and had a band called Time in the 1970s. We're dedicating some of the music we wrote and played together."

Timi plans to also play some of the originals from his new CD, *Eyes of Youth*, featuring Nozero, Chris Collins,

George Benson, and Timi's wife, April, and brother Ray. Timi wrote much of it while living in Switzerland. He's been performing in the Montreux Jazz Festival there since the late 1970s. In fall he plans to take an administrative leave. He has invitations to play in South Africa, Argentina and Europe. "Larry's going to be there with us, one of the positive energies there," said



Dennis Timi and his trio dedicate a set of songs to his cousin, Larry Nozero, who died on Feb. 18.

Timi "We want to create something unique that day, hopefully a fitting dedication to Larry."

Thirty minutes after playing the last note as a trio Timi and Halsey take their turn playing the Steinway Jazz Cafe. The lesson in jazz appreciation features six pianists including Bess Bonnier, Bob Seeley, Alma Smith, Terry Lower, Timi, and Matt Michaels.

"We're going to talk about improvisational and creative aspects of playing in a duo setting," said Timi. "Duo playing is the most intimate playing there is in all genres. It will show how we listen to each other, feed off of each other, how we mutually develop an approach to a particular piece of music in a very dynamic way."

Michaels on the other hand will focus on a pianist's individual skills and fusing classical music with jazz from 4:45-5:45 p.m. Prior to that he'll be playing with his trio, bassist Dan Jordan (Troy) and drummer Jerry McKenzie (Farmington Hills), from 3:15-4:15 p.m. in Lower Waterman. Michaels, a Southfield resident, retired in May from the university where he co-founded the jazz studies program with Timi. He returns in fall to teach part time. Michaels has been playing jazz for more than 50 years. On Wednesday he performs at Baker's

Keyboards in Detroit, on Saturday at the Kerrytown Concert House in Ann Arbor.

"I want to talk about how classical compositional techniques can be implemented in jazz. You can be playing *Autumn Leaves* in styles of Bach, Chopin or Mozart," said Michaels. "What's special about the cafe is it highlights what the pianists do. When you hear a piano play with a group you really don't expose the pianist's skills. They're essentially an accompanist. The cafe shows off their individual skills."

Midge Ellis is not only excited to have pianists back for a third year in the cafe, but new musicians as well on stages in the VisiTech center and outdoors in the big red tent.

"We have so many new musicians because they want to play the festival and sent tapes to Johnny Trudell and Tom Saunders," said Ellis, a Livonia resident who serves on the festival committee.

Although this isn't the first year for the Masters of Music Big Band with Ron Kischuk, they'll play standards that true jazz fans want to hear, like those who enjoy Schubert and Beethoven but like to hear another take on it."

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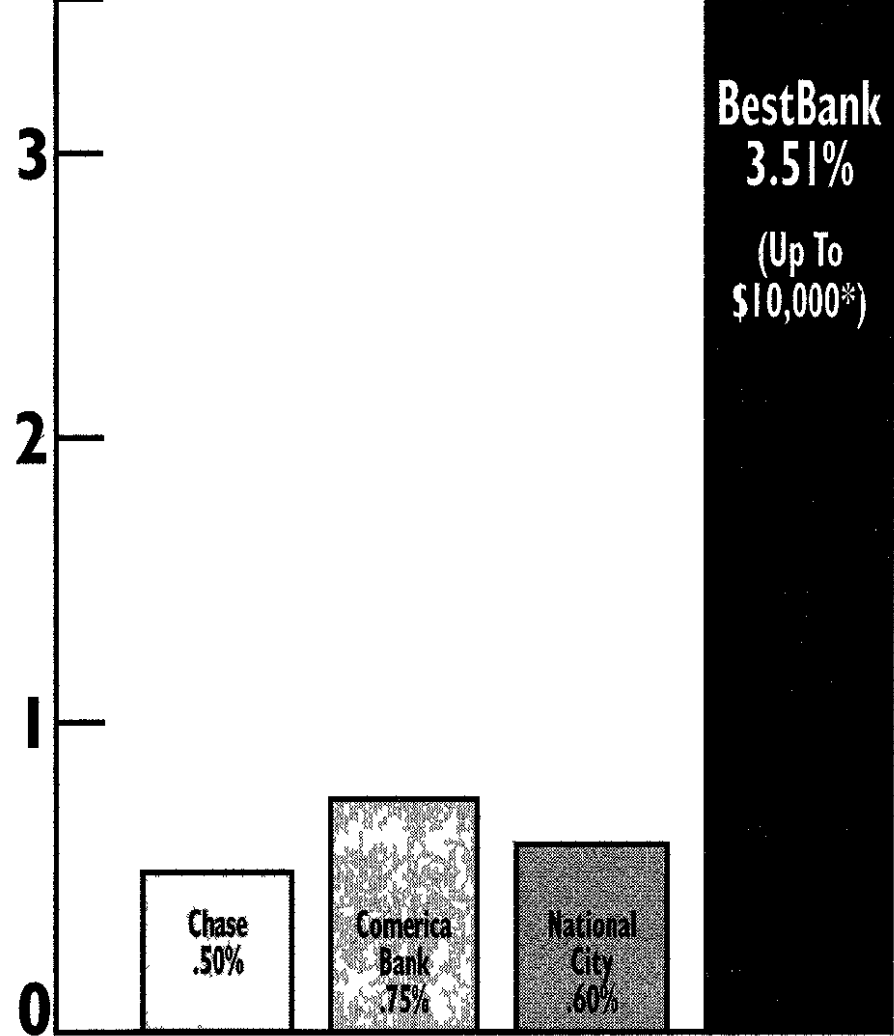


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and grandparents calling and asking when it's going to come out

Chris Firman, 28, came in to pre-pay for the book the 'very first second' he knew it would be available. His favorite is number four in the series, Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire, his favorite character, Albus Dumbledore who 'acts the part of the wise old wizard from Merlin's times'

'I have all the books, all the DVDs of the movies,' said Firman, a cook at Baker's Square in Livonia. 'I liked *Dungeons and Dragons* when I was younger'

Age rules at Cornelia Spicer's home in Redford. At 70 she's first on the list for the two copies she ordered. No one touches her book. The second copy goes to her 36-year-old son who will read the book and pass it on to his 12-year-old son.

'We have a race,' said Spicer who taught junior high until opening Come Little Children Center in Canton, a Catholic preschool and day care, 18 1/2 years ago. When the latch-key children there want to watch a DVD they invariably choose Harry Potter. 'These are wonderful life lessons. It's all about having a heart for others. The wizard stuff is, oh my goodness, the best possible approach that there is to talk about the many differences in the world, that not everyone is alike. It stimulates the love for reading in children.'

Stephanie Cyburt, 12 of Livonia, has read the five Potter books seven times but she'll have to stand in line behind her mother Cheryl when the new one is released.

'I'm getting it first because I pay for the books,' said Cheryl Cyburt. 'We have the collector's series. The covers are torn, the pages ripped. Even my 76-year-old mother reads them.'

Stephanie enjoys the books because she can relate to all of the homework Harry and his friend Hermione have at Hogwarts.

The fourth or fifth is my favorite because they're the

'There's a certain mystique to it. It's very captivating like *Gone With the Wind*.'

Sandra Gould
Canton children's librarian

longest with more than 800 pages," said Stephanie, a student at Buchanan Elementary. 'I love to read. I'm always reading, I can't stand it when people say they don't like to read. I'm reading the fifth Harry Potter book again.'

Canton children's librarian Sandra Gould has ordered a total of 50 copies to make sure there's enough for children of all ages to read.

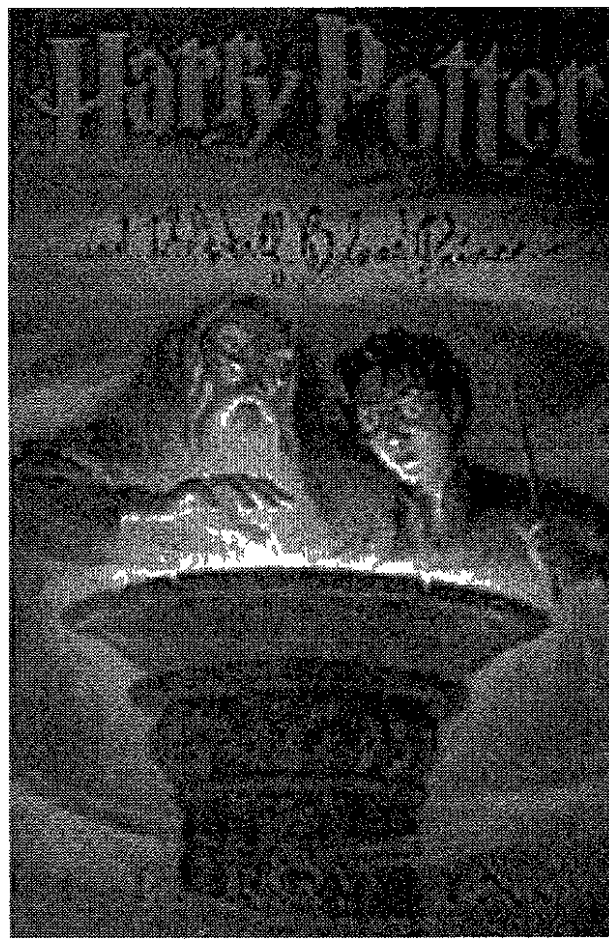
'There's a certain mystique to it,' said Gould. 'It's very captivating like *Gone With the Wind*. I thought it was one of the best books I read, so many allusions and digressions older readers understand. Once you start it you have to see how it finishes.'

At the Livonia Civic Center Library, patrons, including children, have already been asking about Harry Potter events so Children's Librarian Elizabeth Kobe has assembled a folder. One of her favorite Web sites for a list of festivals and Quidditch tournaments is www.potterparties.com.

There's the Harry Potter Fest in Ohio for two days where buildings are being changed into magical places (www.blueheronbookstore.com) and there's a gigantic event in Illinois expecting 10,000 people. I think it's so popular because it's the battle of good versus evil, and having to make decisions like Dumbledore who asks 'is it easy or is it right?'

Fifth to eighth graders are starting to make decisions about the kind of person they'd like to be and find it helpful.

Assistant manager Felicia Hernandez is already answering the phone at Waldenbooks and More in Livonia as the place where you can reserve the new Harry Potter book. The Livonia Waldenbooks is one of several locations planning



The new Harry Potter book, Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince

activities surrounding the release. Midnight Magic parties begin the evening of Friday, July 15, and continue through 12:01 a.m. July 16 at Borders Express at Westland, Briarwood and Twelve Oaks malls, Somerset and Laurel Park Place as well as at Borders Stores in Farmington Hills, Birmingham, Rochester Hills and Novi. The parties are free and open to everyone.

Customers who pre-reserve the book, special collector's edition, or audio CD or cassette receive 40 percent off, 30 percent for those who don't.

'We're going to have stations set up throughout the store for face painting and mask making, trivia contests, coloring activities, and fun Harry Potter treats,' said Beth Bingham who manages PR for the Borders Group which owns Waldenbooks. Bingham grew up in Livonia. 'We did parties for the last couple of releases. This year we compiled all the ideas. Scholastic, the publisher, is also helpful in coming up with activities.'

Gail Hammil just pur-

chased megaphones to yell out numbers for Harry Potter bingo. The Rochester resident never imagined she'd be planning parties around a book's release.

'If you just get one kid to read a book it's wonderful,' said Hammil, district marketing manager for the Borders Group. 'How exciting to have a big event like this around a book not a celebrity or music group.'

This is the third party Patti Stoner arranged for Barnes & Noble at Six Mile and Haggerty in Northville. She's getting into the spirit by dressing up as Professor McGonagall.

'We'll be making wands and potions,' said Stoner, community relations manager. 'You can play outsmart the wizard with magic stones. We'll have someone dressed as a wizard and many of the customers come in costume. There will be magicians and prizes for guessing the number of magic jelly beans in the jar.'

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Granholtm launches sex ed program

Gov. Jennifer Granholm Wednesday unveiled a pilot program designed to offer parents a resource for talking with their middle school-age children about abstinence and sexuality issues.

The "Talk Often, Talk Early" pilot is part of the Granholm Administration's Blueprint for Preventing Unintended Pregnancies that includes two other initiatives: increased access to family planning services for low-income women and contraceptive equity for men and women.

'Parents should be the primary sex educators of their children, and we want to lead the way by giving them the tools they need to talk frankly about issues involving abstinence and sexuality,' Granholm said. 'When armed with information and the tools they need to communicate effectively, parents can be instrumental in providing critical messages to their children that can help them abstain from sexual intercourse. By doing so, they can help them avoid early and unintended pregnancy as well

as the threat of HIV and sexually transmitted diseases.'

The Michigan Parent Teacher Student Association has been instrumental in the creation of the pilot program, which will be shared with parents in school district-sponsored meetings this fall.

The Michigan Department of Community Health has submitted a request to obtain federal approval for a waiver to expand eligibility for family planning services for low-income families. The waiver would ensure access to family planning services by expanding Medicaid eligibility to low-income women without insurance coverage.

Granholm said men and women should have access to the full range of contraceptive options. Sens. Beverly Hammerstrom, R-Temperance, and Martha Scott, D-Highland Park, have introduced Senate Bills 431 and 432 that, if passed, would require insurers who provide prescription drug coverage to include all U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved contraceptives.

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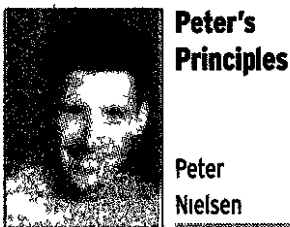
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Christopher from Canton wants some information about how dads talk with their daughters about weight gain. Chris, recent research shows a good place for dads to start when giving health advice to their daughters might be to look in the mirror! The study shows that a father's fat level is a better predictor of his daughter's weight problem than the mother's weight or even metabolism. The study looked at a group of girls over a three-year period. The girls who gained the most weight during the study also had the heaviest dads. Thirty to 40 percent of obesity is genetic. Sixty to 70 percent is due to lack of exercise and overeating! So, dads, take your daughters hiking or walking, but be sure to lead by example! If you have a health or fitness question, e-mail Peter at www.peternielsen.com. Catch Peter daily on WDIV TV (Channel 4) and WWJ AM (950). Contact him at Peter Nielsen's Personal Training Club in West Bloomfield or Nielsen's Town Center Health Club in Southfield.

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Marathon milestones

Local runner completes 50 marathons - a great way to keep fit

BY JENNIFER KENNEDY
CORRESPONDENT

At first, he thought people competing in running races were crazy, now he is one of them. Ken Sovo, who lives in Canton and works as a desktop PC support technician in Livonia, used to only play sports like ice hockey and softball but decided to give running a try to help keep in shape.

In 1981, he ran his first 10-kilometer (10K) running race with a friend, and was hooked. In 1982, he ran his first marathon - 26.2 miles. The 10K race turned into 23 years of running and Sovo just completed a milestone race - his 50th marathon.

After my first marathon, I was tired and sore, but 15 minutes later I decided I wanted to run another one, to run better and beat my time," said Sovo, 48, whose best marathon time was 2:59:08, at the *Detroit Free Press* Marathon a few years back. That is just under three hours to complete the race, and maintaining a seven-minute pace per mile.

ACCOMPLISHMENT

His recently achieved 50th marathon was the Flying Pig Marathon in Cincinnati, Ohio, on May 1. Sovo has run all seven marathons, since its inception in 1998. Funny thing is, it was known that Cincinnati would only host a marathon when pigs fly, hence the name. Flying Pig was awarded to the



Ken Sovo of Canton stretches out next to his new personalized license plate.

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event. Sovo is proud to have competed all seven years, as well as competing in the Boston Marathon seven times and most memorably, the *Detroit Free Press* Marathon, which he has competed in 23 years in a row.

"This year will be my 24th year running the *Detroit Free Press* Marathon," said Sovo. "Detroit was my very first marathon."

Not only is Sovo competing in the Detroit Marathon on Oct. 23, but he will run the Washington, D.C., Marine Corps Marathon just a week after on Oct. 30 with a friend who is an FBI agent.

I have been running the *Free Press* Marathon for so long. I already planned it, and when my friend asked me to run the Marine Corps, I said

OK," added Sovo.

FAMILY SUPPORT

Sovo will make the Washington, D.C., trip a family vacation with his wife, Karen, and stepchildren, Grant and Danielle. Karen goes to most of my races and is a great supporter. It helps to have someone support you like that," he said. His son, Matthew, has also traveled or run with him in previous events.

He has completed marathons in other cities such as Cleveland, Columbus and Dayton. And he will probably expand that list in the coming years.

When asked how he feels about finishing this milestone marathon, he responded, "My goal was to complete

50 marathons by the time I was 50 years old," said Sovo. "Now my goal is to complete 75 marathons by the time I am 75. Fortunately, he has not endured an injury yet."

Why does he run marathons? It is very satisfying to meet or beat the goal you strive for," he said. "It also keeps me in shape. Sovo still plays hockey and softball."

Ken Sovo's training program consists of three to four months of running about 40-45 miles per week. He runs four to six miles on what are called "short days" and saves the longer runs of 16-20 miles for the weekends.

What advice does he give to some-

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Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan and the Kroger Company, are teaming up to administer the life-saving meningitis vaccination. The \$115 shot is available noon to 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 26, at 65 S. Livernois, Rochester, and 4-6 p.m. at 37550 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills, 4-6 p.m. Thursday, July 28, at 30935 Five Mile, Livonia, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 30, at 1905 Canton Center Road,

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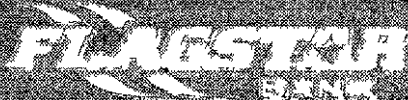
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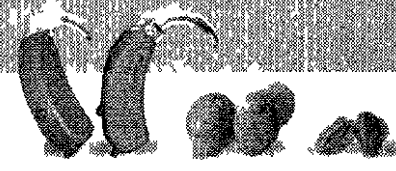
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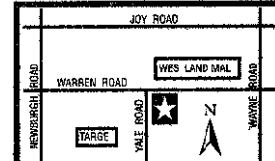


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Summer celebrations can spark blues instead of fun

Depression is a major public health problem that affects up to six million American men and 12 million American women annually. It can occur at any time of the year, and it can affect all ages and ethnic groups.

"We tend to associate depression with the winter months but depression can strike at any time," said Altona Rone, president of Community Network Services (CNS), a private, nonprofit community-based agency serving Oakland County. "Sunshine and warm temperatures are not enough to ward off depression for those who have difficulty coping with life-changing events."

CNS and other mental health groups believe that families ought to be aware of good mental health practices and warning signs that may indicate that you or a loved one is in need of treatment at all times of the year.

"We all become so caught up in trying to manage stress that we often-times don't realize that we or those close to us are not coping as well as we think," said Rone. "Even some of life's joys can bring about depression in some individuals."

Graduation from high school or college can be a time of great celebration or a time of anxiety and stress. For those graduating without a clear idea of the future, money for college, or a job after college, graduation can be depressing.

Planning a wedding can be a lot of fun and stressful, and for some, a time of worry. Budgets don't always match dreams, which can be a source of concern for couples. Making that big step can be exciting for many but frightening for others.

Elderly family members who have limited mobility and infrequent contact with family members may see summer months, which are key vacation and reunion times, as a reminder of all the things they cannot do or miss doing. It can be a lonely time for those who have nothing to look forward to but looking out of a window and watching life continue without them.

Spring and summer are also times for renewal and change. For some who are not satisfied with their physical appearance or who feel stuck in a

job that is going nowhere or a relationship that has gone sour, self-criticism can be brutal and may cause them to withdraw from social interaction.

Layoffs and job loss are stressful for those who lose their jobs and for those who keep them. If you find yourself suddenly without an income, talk to someone you trust about your worries. If you are among the ones who remain on the job, discuss any fears you might have that you may be next or concerns about the stress of additional work with someone.

If you have thoughts of death, dying, or suicide, you should see your physician immediately to determine if there is a physical problem that needs attention and to plan an appropriate

course of treatment. If you can't take that first step, ask a family member or friend to make the call for you.

"If you or someone you know is going through a life-changing event, don't assume that you are able to cope," said Rone. "Talk to them or encourage them to talk to someone they trust."

For more information about available services and support groups, contact CNS at (248) 668-3410.

Community Network Services was incorporated in April 2002 to provide a continuum of services to people with serious mental health illnesses. It was formerly known as The Mercy Network—West and Central—St. Joseph Mercy.

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

JULY

Reconnect with Food

A yoga discussion and spiritual support program led by Beverly Price, a registered dietitian and yoga teacher for individuals interested in exploring issues related to food, body image and emotions. Whether you are Jewish or of any other affiliation, we invite you to experience your spirituality with us as you practice yoga and connect with other like-minded individuals. 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, July 13, 20, 27 and Aug. 3, 10 and 17 at Congregation Beth Shalom. Cost is \$136. Pre-registration required. Bring a mat and dress comfortably. For more information, call (248) 390-4150 or visit www.bevprice.com.

Red Cross blood drive

2:30 p.m. Monday, July 11 at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 South Sheldon. Plymouth. Call Carolyn Liebau at (734) 455-5395 to make an appointment or just drop in.

Free screenings

Vision and hearing screening by the Wayne County Health Department (children ages 3-18) 8:30 a.m. to noon Tuesday, July 12 and 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 18 at the Pearson Educational Center, 19990 Beech Daly between Grand River and 8 Mile. Redford. For more information, call (734) 727-7135 or (734) 727-7136.

Divorce support

Group discussion facilitated by

Cynthia Koppin. Attorney Patricia Kasody Coyle will also be available to answer questions in a private setting on a first-come, first-served basis. 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 12 in Room 225 of the McDowell Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. Call (734) 462-4443.

Meningitis vaccinations

University of Michigan Health System's Michigan Visiting Nurses is teaming up with Kroger to offer meningitis vaccination clinics for high school and college students. 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 12 at 2641 Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor. 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 13 at 2010 Whittaker Road, Ypsilanti. 3:30 p.m. Friday, July 15 at 400 South Maple, Ann Arbor. 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 16 at 2641 Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor. 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 19 at 9968 East Grand River, Brighton. No appointment necessary at the Kroger store clinics. If you can't make it to one of the Kroger locations to be immunized, MVN also is offering meningitis vaccinations by appointment at its Ann Arbor office. Appointments in the Ann Arbor office can be scheduled by calling (734) 677-0020. Meningitis (Menactra) immunizations cost \$115, payable by cash check or charge (Visa or MasterCard). A proof of vaccination record and receipt of payment are provided at time of immunization. Students younger than 18 must attend the clinic with a parent or guardian and all patients must be older than 12. For more disease and vaccination information, visit www.umvn.org.

Diabetes Support Group

Hosts a discussion on "Improving Communication with your Doctor." 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 13 at St. Mary Mercy Hospital's Auditorium, 36475 Five Mile at Levan, Livonia. Please use Main Entrance on Five Mile. Call (734) 655-8961. The speaker is Ginger Ramsay, RN, MSN, St. Mary Mercy Hospital. The Diabetes Support Group presents a new topic on the second Wednesday of each month for adults with diabetes and family members. There is no charge and pre-registration is not required.

Asthma education

Garden City Hospital presents "Measures to Control and Environmental Triggers" on 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 13 and "Actions for Managing Your Asthma" on Aug. 10 in the lower level classrooms at the hospital, 6245 Inkster Road. Fee is \$7 per class. For information about classes, call (734) 458-3481. To register, call (734) 458-4330.

Isha yoga program

July 13-19 in Westland conducted by Sadhguru Jaggi Vasudev. 6:15-9:30 p.m. weekdays. 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday. Sunday at the Hellenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy Road.

Westland. Fee is \$275 a \$50 non-refundable deposit will confirm enrollment. Call (248) 478-4786 (313) 882-5683 or (810) 346-8914 or send e-mail to detroit@ishafoundation.org. For more information, visit www.ishayoga.org.

Fibromyalgia workshop

Dr. Kramer reveals what can cause fibromyalgia, which is often misdiagnosed and misunderstood. 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 13 at the Carl Sandburg Library in Livonia. To register, call (248) 426-0201.

Sharing & Caring

Breast cancer education and support program presents "What's New in Prosthetics." 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 14 in the first floor conference room in the Beaumont Cancer Center, 3577 West 13 Mile, Royal Oak. To learn more, call (248) 551-8585.

Tigers game

The Detroit Tigers are teaming up in a fund-raising event with the University of Michigan Health System's C.S. Mott Children's Hospital. 7:05 p.m. Thursday, July 14 at Comerica Park in Detroit when the Tigers face the Kansas City Royals. A portion of the proceeds from each ticket go to build a new children's and women's hospital. Children's Hospital of Detroit will also sell tickets to benefit their facility. Tickets are \$20 with \$10 of every ticket sold through Mott going toward the Champions for Children campaign.

Mott will sell tickets through end of June. Call (734) 936-9318 or order at www.med.umich.edu/secure/mott/comeica.htm. To learn about Mott and its campaign to build a new hospital, visit www.med.umich.edu/mott.

Baby Care Basics

7 p.m. Monday, July 18 at Providence at Mission Health Medical Center, 37595 Seven Mile, Livonia. Cost is \$20 per couple. Call (248) 888-444-7325. If you're concerned about how to adapt life with a baby, this class provides practical information about bathing, feeding, safety, health care and more.

Pressure points workshop

Learn how to find and treat pressure points for headaches, back pain, sinus, neck pain, carpal tunnel, PMS, low energy and joint pain at a free workshop. 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 20 at Carl Sandburg Library in Livonia. To register, call (248) 426-0201. Limited seating.

Weight management

Seminar noon Thursday, July 21 at the Heritage of Southfield, an independent and assisted living community, 25800 West 11 Mile. Registered dietitian Muriel Wagner will offer free nutritional advice and education to help assist with nutritional plans for healthy weight loss and body awareness. Certified Tai Chi instructor follows complimentary lunch with a lecture on weight management. To RSVP or for more information, call Tracy

Bishop at (248) 727-2006.

Art sale

The beautification committee at St. Joseph Mercy Livingston Hospital is sponsoring an art print sale. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, July 21 and 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Friday, July 22 in the community rooms of the hospital. The sale features framed art prints, gifts and home décor and most of the prints will be offered at 30-70 percent off the retail price. All merchandise for sale is from The Gallery but excludes student art. Proceeds are earmarked to benefit the committee's Student Art Project. For information about the Student Art Project or the beautification committee, call Linda Smith at (517) 545-6296.

Golf classic

To benefit the Myasthenia Gravis Association, Friday, July 22 at the Links of Novi, 50395 10 Mile. Cost is \$185 per golfer and includes 18 holes of golf, lunch, dinner and prizes. To register, call (248) 423-9700 or send e-mail to mgadetroit@sbcbglobal.net. Golf hole sponsorships available.

Adults loss support group

Open to any adult who has experienced the loss of a loved one. 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays through July 26 at BraveHeart Grief Center, 126 Main Centre, Northville. No charge although donations are always appreciated. To register, call Jeri Craig or Sandy Van Koevering at (248) 449-8232.

RUNNER

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one interested in running? He says start slow and work your way up to running longer. "Teaming up with running buddies also helps and get a support base (of family or friends)," said Sovia.

The biggest question for many is how long should a training program be and how many times per week should one run? The answer varies for each individual person and is dependent upon goals and current level of conditioning, however, there are some general guidelines, says certified athletic trainer and physical therapist Dana Rosinski, DPT, ATC, CSCS, from MedSport at the University of Michigan Sports Medicine Clinic, Ann Arbor.

TRAINING ADVICE

According to Rosinski, also a certified strength and conditioning specialist, it is recommended that you don't consider training for a marathon until you have been running

for six months consistently, at least three or four days and averaging a minimum of 20-25 miles per week. While it is possible to begin marathon training at lower weekly mileage levels, it could also increase the chance of an over-use injury, she says. Her suggestions are:

- Try to run five to six days per week.
- Run no more than three to six miles for your shorter days of running.
- Include one or two long runs, perhaps one during the middle of the week and the other on the weekend.
- Gradually increase the overall weekly distance until three to four weeks before the marathon, working up to the mid-20s in mileage for your longest run, then taper your running distance the last few weeks.

- Include one day of faster running or interval training at the track.

Standard running programs for marathons are three to four months in length, so if you are conditioned enough currently, and interested in running a

marathon in the fall months, now is the time to start training. Proper nutrition and hydration are important to include in your training also. For a training program suitable for you, consult a personal trainer or fitness professional experienced in running programs.

To learn of running races in the area, log onto www.run-michigan.com, or look up "running races" or "marathon training" on the Internet to locate more information. As Ken Sovia can attest, whether it is a few miles, or a marathon, running is a great way to stay fit.

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ANOTHER KIND OF KNEE PAIN - FIBULAR BURSITIS

Readers of this column know by now how keen I am on pointing out that joint pain is not always joint pain. This column provides another example: this time in the knee.


In the past I discussed anserine bursitis which can mimic knee arthritis. In anserine bursitis, tendinitis arises in one or more of three muscles that come together on the inside of lower leg just below the knee.

There is another bursitis that occurs just below the outside part of the knee. This problem, fibular bursitis, occurs at the point where the lateral slip of the biceps femoris muscle inserts into the fibula.

If you experience fibular bursitis, you may believe you have some how injured your knee. Instead, you twisted the leg possibly in an unsuspected way, giving rise to strain at the biceps tendon and its bursa.

When you present to your doctor, he must first identify where the "knee" pain really is. What happens is that on examining your knee, he will find that the joint is free of swelling or inflammation. Then he will check the anserine bursa by firm palpation and finally the fibular bursa. If you have fibular bursitis, palpation at the bursa will reproduce the pain you feel.

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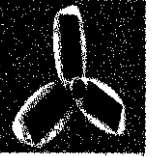
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Cranbrook hosts seriously stylish party

By Wensdy White PINK Editor

If you're the type who likes to get all dolled up for see-and-be-seen events, Serious Moonlight is no joke. Celebrating its 10th anniversary this year, the charity gala has established itself as one of Metro Detroit's best parties. It's held outdoors on the grounds of Cranbrook — complete with a moonlit dance floor, and open access to the art museum where guests can browse the latest exhibits.

We caught up with Pamela Gerber, this year's Chair of Entertainment, to find out what else is in store at this year's soiree.



Pamela Gerber, a steering committee member for Serious Moonlight, wore a sparkly butterfly pin to last year's party to reflect the Brazilian theme.

What is the theme this year?
It's "Out of This World" and it's designed by Deborah Silver of Detroit Garden Works. The setting is going to be all white — it's about the white moonlight — with white fabrics, white candles that float in the pools and paper lanterns that hang from the trees. Last year's Brazilian theme had all these colors and it's a nice break to go to something focused and very clean and just romantic — white fabrics in the night.

What performers can we expect?
This year's featured band is the Mega 80s. We're very excited to have them. For the patron party we have martial artists — in keeping with the white fabric theme — who will do Aikido and Judo, a style of martial arts that uses swords. They'll be performing along the triton pool. There will also be a Chinese solo dancer wearing all white and dancing with a white disc like the moon.

We heard you will also have models?
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a twist. Expect the unexpected. We always try to bring out of the ordinary performances together to create something unusual. The setting is also unique because we have the party outside among the statues and fountains.

What about the silent auction?
Knoll is signature sponsor of the auction and they will have several pieces of furniture up for bid. There will also be quite a selection of mid-century design furniture pieces. The auction mainly features works by Cranbrook alumni. In the past there has been some clothing created by alumni and some gift certificates to local salons and spas. Julene Carroll will be auctioning gift certificates for her Birmingham store Jujo Carroll. She's a real good supporter of Serious Moonlight.

What are you going to wear?
I'm wearing leopard and flowers. Kind of Roberto Cavalli and fun shoes.

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Lynn Portnoy, 29250 Franklin Rd., Southfield, will host her annual Yeohlee trunk show, 1-8 p.m. Monday, July 18 and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. July 19. Enjoy wine and cheese as you browse the latest collection by this international designer.



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The Women's Caring Program Twilight Gathering is set for 5:30-8 p.m. Thursday, July 14. The garden party raises money to fund childcare for Michigan's low-income families. Tickets are \$75. Call (248) 685-0594 or visit www.womenscaringprogram.org.

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Q In summer, I need a hair-cut that is easy because of the humidity. I don't want to have to sit in front of the mirror for 30 minutes trying to tame the frizz. What should I do?

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Whatever your hair's natural texture and tendencies, it will reveal itself in the humidity and in balmy weather. This is the result of moisture in the air coming in contact with the hair's hydrogen bonds which are bonds that hold curly hair smooth when blown straight and straight hair curly when set.

Suggestions: Use a clarifying shampoo to dissolve any build up, apply a leave-in conditioner, apply frizz fighting serum. Don't apply too much on the root of your hair. You don't want your hair to look oily, you're looking for a smooth and shiny look.

Hot tips to beat the heat: When it comes to achieving good hair on bad hair days, George Nikollaj's tactic is "Don't fight it." Going with hair's natural texture is the best strategy. "Work with your hair, don't work against it."

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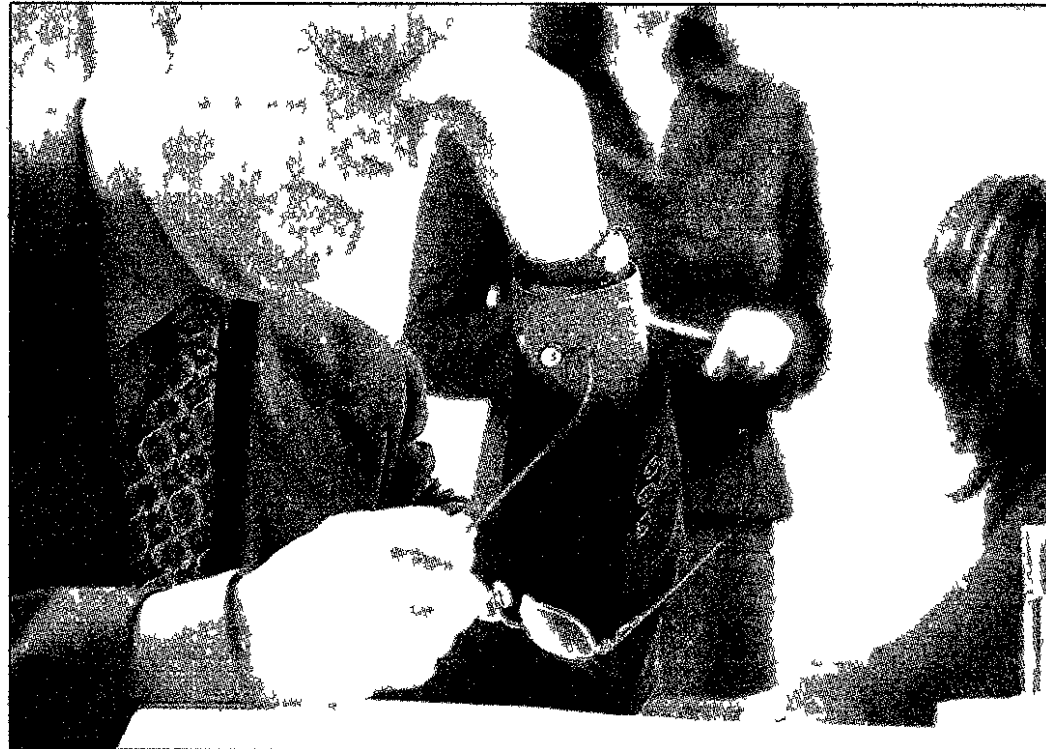
(NUI) — Are inadequate communication with co-workers, lack of control and even too much work stirring up feelings that you just can't take it anymore? If so, you may be experiencing work-related stress.

According to the U.S. National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, work-related stress is a physically and emotionally harmful response that occurs when the requirements of a job don't match the capabilities, resources or needs of a worker.

Enduring tension headaches, neck and back pain and tiredness are a few of the telltale signs that you may have work-related stress. Unfortunately, stress can affect more than just your performance on the job. It also can affect your health.

Because extreme stress can take a toll on many parts of your body, this state of mental tension and pressure can leave you with various degrees of health effects — from uncomfortable conditions, like heartburn, to chronic illnesses, such as diabetes.

In turn, many stressed-out workers have found that Mother Nature holds the key to stress-relief. Studies show that some all-natural products can



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help you control stress during trying work situations while bringing significant changes to your long-term health. For instance, Vital StressX, developed by CyberWize.com, contains a blend of seven unique herbs, known as adaptogens, that help fight stress and restore balance in your body. Discovered by the Soviet

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that adaptogens can help boost energy and endurance, promote heart health, sharpen memory and alertness, build immunity and help fend off and repair damage to your body's cells.

To learn more about Vital StressX, call (800) 320-8807 or go to www.vital-stressx.com

How safe is your building? Alert system can save lives

(NUI) — Bombs, Armed intruders, Fires. These are real events that can threaten your safety, even your life, in the building where you work.

Experts agree that if you know what's going on and what actions to take, you have a good chance of escaping a dangerous situation. However, distributing speedy and accurate emergency information to building occupants, police officers, firefighters and emergency medical professionals is a constant challenge for building owners and managers.

In pursuit of workable, cost-effective solutions, the security industry is taking note of a new emergency alert approach known as the Immediate Response Information System, or IRIS. Activated through a special Web page or toll-free number, IRIS can reach thousands of people in a matter of seconds through the contact methods people use the most, such as home and cell phones, e-mail, digital pagers, PDAs and fax machines.

With IRIS, a uniform message, in both voice and text formats, reaches building managers, occupants and emergency responders. When it encounters busy lines or no answer, IRIS continues to redial until it makes contact.

IRIS requires no hardware, software or system installation for setup. In the event of an emergency, people designated to send the messages can access the service from any phone or Internet-connected computer from a safe location.

TechRadium Inc., the developer of IRIS, has recently made this unique service available to commercial property owners. To view a demonstration or for further information, go to www.useris.com.

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Candidates are to submit a letter of interest in which the candidate explains his/her suitability for the position, a complete resume, the names, addresses and telephone numbers of five references, and information about membership in a Catholic parish. Candidates invited for interviews will be asked to complete an application for employment and to sign a form for background check. Deadline is July 22, 2005. Candidates should mail all the required information to:

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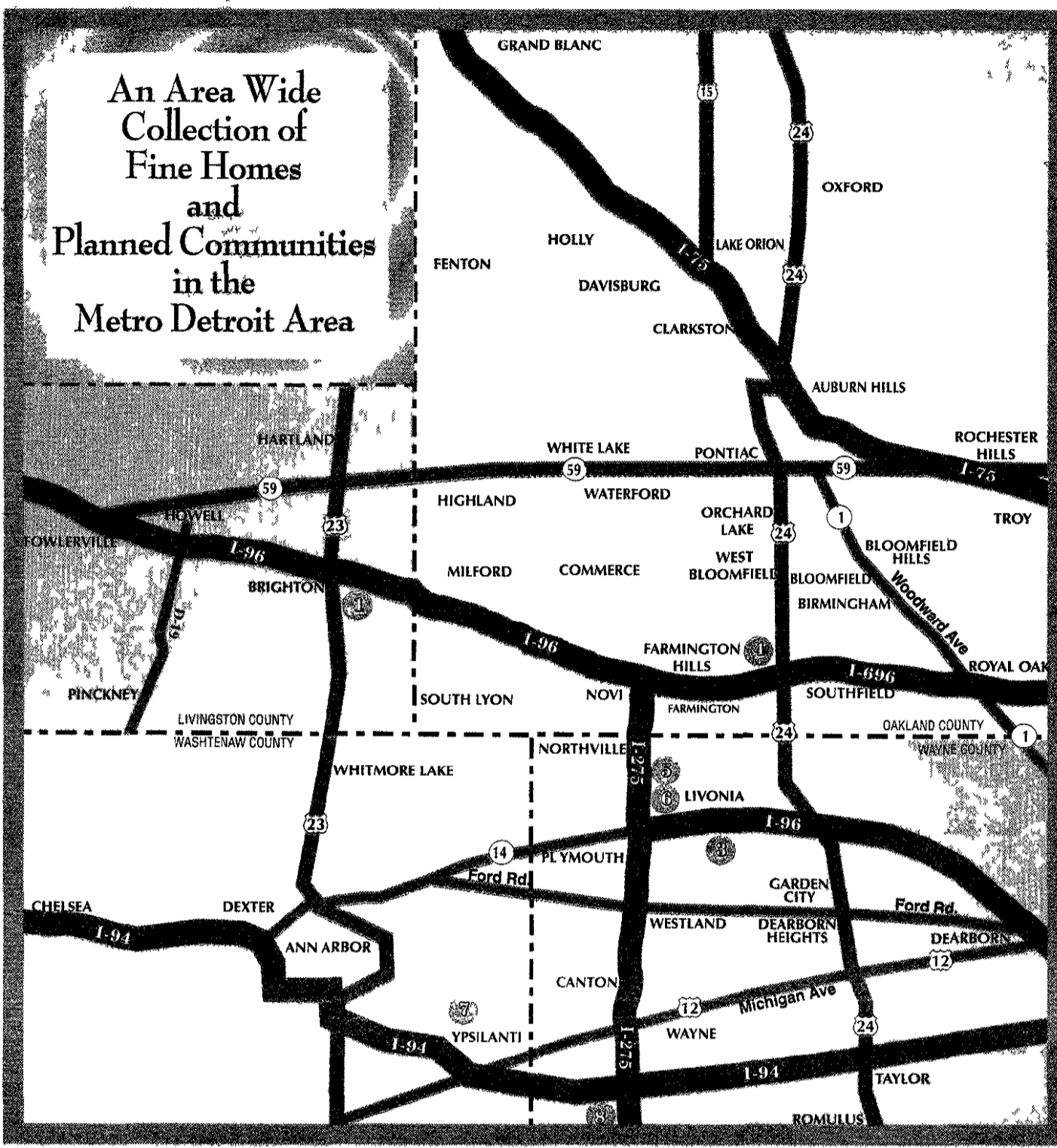
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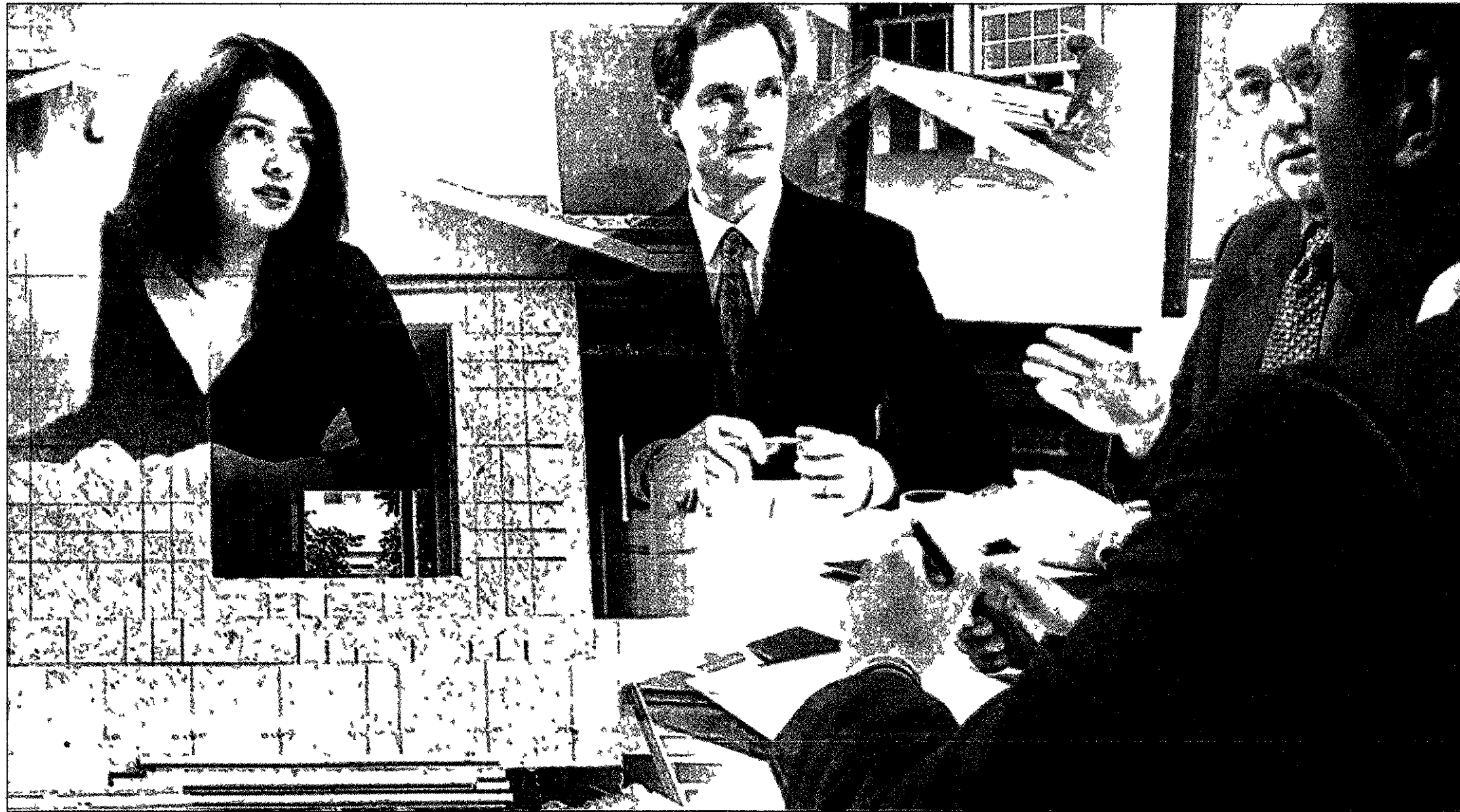
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(NUI) - Home buyers don't always know what to expect when they move in to a neighborhood governed by a community association and that lack of understanding can generate confusion, frustration and turmoil.

But there's help. A free brochure developed by Community Associations Institute (CAI) gives potential home buyers a better sense of

association-governed communities. The brochure explains the benefits and obligations of living in such a community and addresses such topics as governance, rules, assessments and homeowner expectations.

Most people are very satisfied living in community associations, but issues can and do arise, said Tom Skiba, chief executive officer of CAI. "There are many benefits, and various attractions and

amenities depending on the community, but there are also obligations and rules. The more you know, the more likely you'll enjoy your new home and community."

Community associations typically deliver services that were once the exclusive province of local governments including trash pickup, street lighting and snow removal. More than 50 million

Americans live in communities governed by associations, including condominiums, cooperatives and homeowners' associations. About 274,000 such communities exist in the U.S. today, up from 10,000 in 1970.

Community associations aim to provide safe, well-maintained living environments, preserve the nature of communities and protect property values.

Residents must comply with guidelines set forth in governing documents, which typically address architectural guidelines — for additions, decks and paint colors, for instance — and rules governing issues such as noise, pets and parking.

CAI's brochure titled "Community Matters: What You Should Know Before You Buy," highlights questions that

potential home buyers should address before buying, such as:

■ How much are assessments and how much can they increase?

■ Are the architectural guidelines acceptable?

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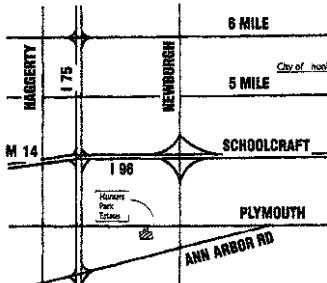


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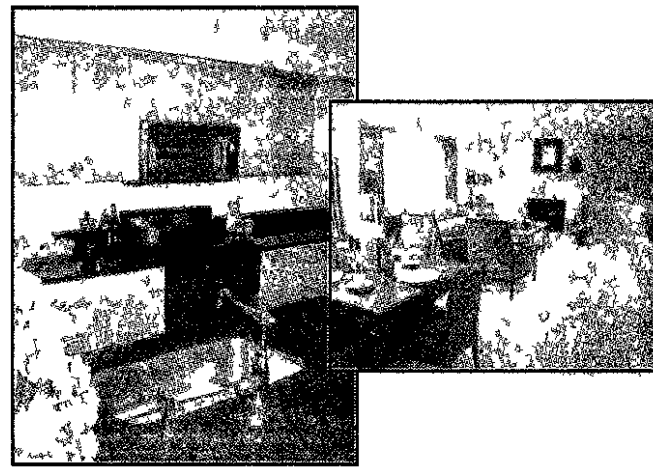


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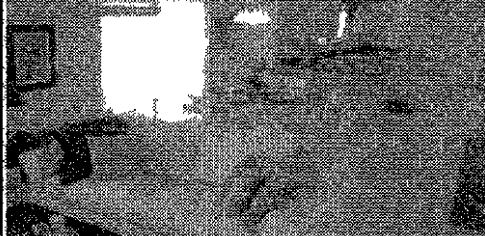
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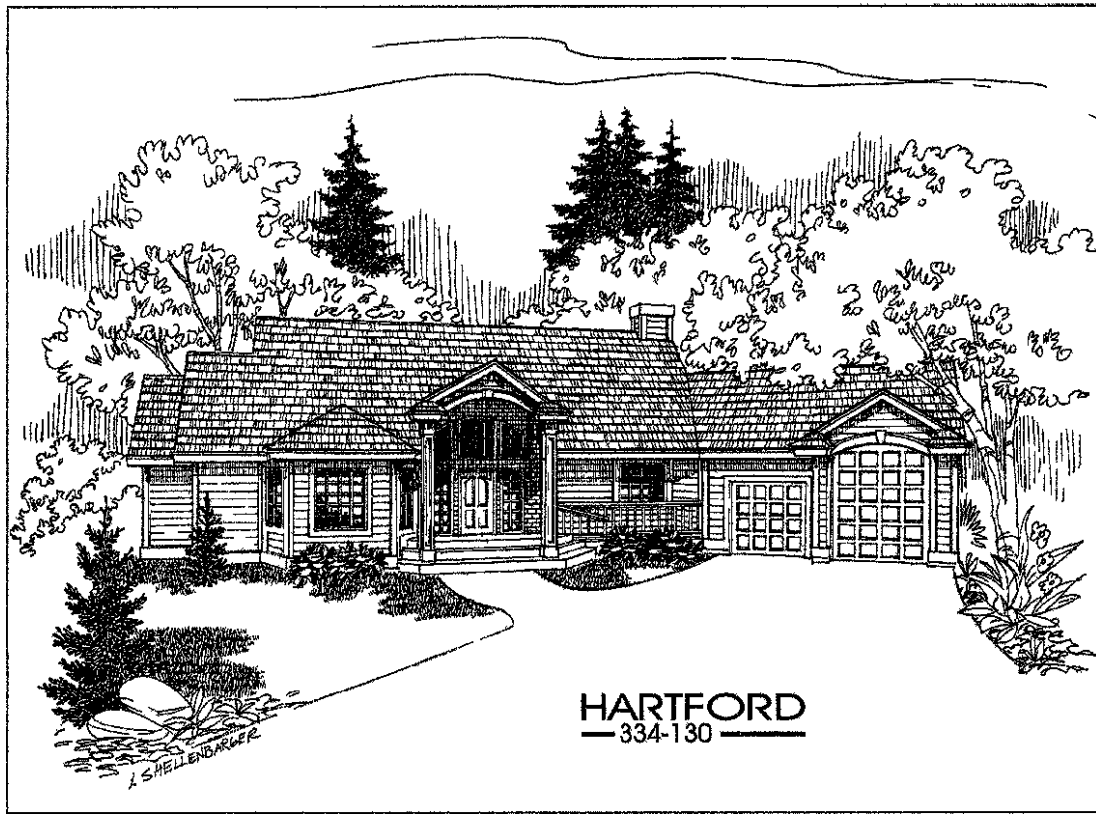
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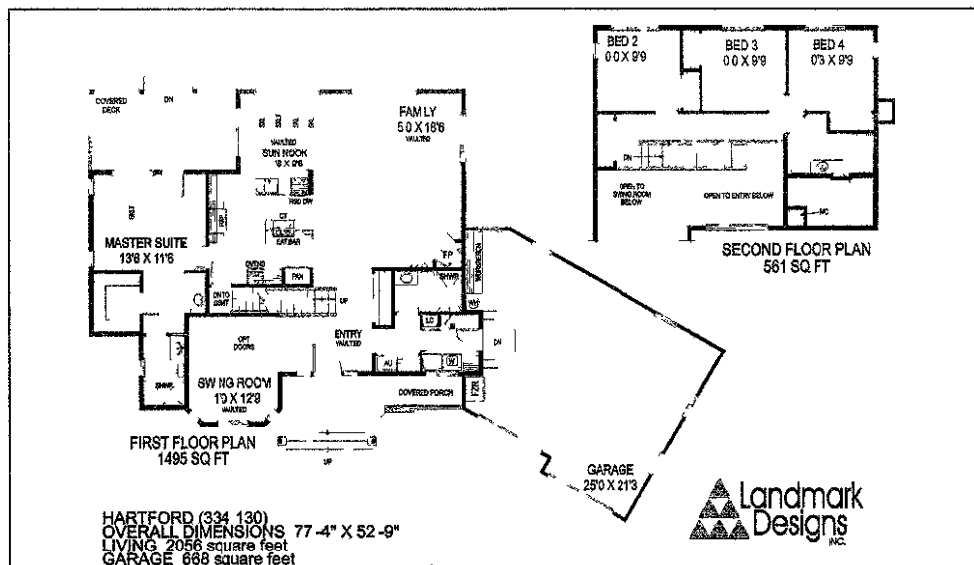
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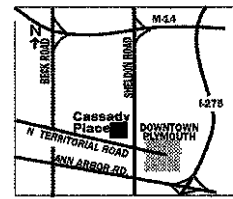
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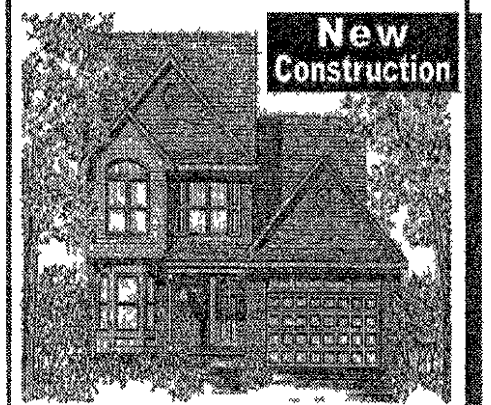


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Pinckney Open July 17 13 One Full Acre in the Village of Pinckney
2002 3 bdrm 2 bath home near downtown shopping park Wooded lot with creek daylight bsmt almost finished wood floors cathedral ceilings 345 South Mill St \$185,000 810 923 4321

Oakland County 3540

COMMERCE TWP LAKES AREA 3 bdrm 2.5 bath ranch w/lower level walkout on large tree surrounded lot Cul de sac location in sub daylight bsmt almost finished wood floors cathedral ceilings 345 South Mill St \$185,000 810 923 4321

Oakland County 3540

OAKLAND TWP MUST SEE!
Completely renovated 2200 sq ft 2 1/2 bath 4 bdrm colonial granite hardwood updated kitchen w/ granite w/ walk out bsmt 2 car garage \$339,900 248 608 5474

Washtenaw County 3580

Superior Township DREAMS DO COME TRUE!
4 3/4 manured acres with a pole barn 3 car garage deck w/graze overlooking your private pond and a gorgeous main house Great room w/cathedral ceilings & sky ghts 1st floor laundry - too many amenities to list Please call for details \$474,900 (8454N)

Washtenaw County 3580

TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE
Bravo new built Braymore floor plan with 3BR/2.5BA & 1st floor laundry Exceptional lot w/ view of the pond & wooded commons in the back Neighborhood pool & walking trails Lovely kitchen & hardwood floors \$274,900 (163AV)

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(B65MIL) 248 620 7200 \$899,000



BLOOMFIELD HILLS Extensively Renovated
Four bedroom on approx. 1/2 acre treed lot. Master suite add on with walk out to kitchen with newer cabetry & appliances. Hardwood floors, island, formal dining room & living room with fireplace. Finished over ever walk out 3 car garage.

(B40KEN) 248 626-8800 \$534,900



BLOOMFIELD HILLS Done To Perfection
Five BR 2.2 BA renovated Colonial. Approx. 3/4 acre, lake, beach & granite stainless oak cherry & hardwood floors. French doors deck first floor laundry, possible in-law suite & master BR with Jacuzzi. Basement with wet bar & sauna.

(B85HAM) 248 642 8100 \$474,900



CANTON Custom Built Home In 2005
New construction on approx. 1 acre offers 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, 4 car garage & full walk out basement. Foyer opens to formal dining room & library. Living room with fireplace, master suite with tiled tub & granite in kitchen.

(B50ROL) 734 455 5600 \$1,080,000



BLOOMFIELD Extensively Rebuilt In 2004
European stone home with 5 bedrooms. Lower level in law suite. Impeccable setting with stream and trees. Beautiful kitchen. One of a kind design, top-of-the-line appliances. First floor master suite.

(B05LAH) 248-524-1600 \$3,190,000



COMMERCE Lake Sherwood Lakefront
Gorgeous 2 story home on a private 60' deep lake. Two furnaces upstairs laundry extra garage over level with great room, second kitchen and full bath. Sun room. This is a must see home.

(B16DRI) 248 363 1200 \$859,900



WEST BLOOMFIELD Pine Lakefront
Nestled on almost 1 acre deep treed lot with Monet inspired red brick retreat. Lush gardens, pond, estate size great room with fireplace, formal living room & dining room with covered porches. You must see this custom kitchen. Hardwood floors.

(B68ORC) 248 626 8800 \$899,900



BLOOMFIELD HILLS Outstanding
Four bedroom 3 1/2 bath home with newer dream kitchen, spacious master bedroom suite, guest suite and walk out lower level. Two fireplaces, new tile, central air & finished basement.

(B57WES) 248 642-8100 \$467,000



PLYMOUTH Beautiful Country Home
Five bedroom 4 bath 19th century Colonial on approximately 2.9 acres. Great master bedroom, hardwood floors, country kitchen and formal dining room. Pond deck and gazebo. A must see!

(B66HOM) 734 455 5600 \$519,900



OXFORD Approximately 10 Acres
Four bedroom 4 1/2 bath 2001 built home. Hardwood & ceramic floors throughout. Two story foyer, great room with gas fireplace, maple kitchen with stainless steel appliances. Master bedroom with fireplace, Jacuzzi tub & shower. Orion schools.

(B01IND) 248 524-1600 \$729,500



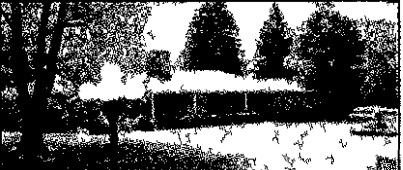
COMMERCE Pine Cove Villas
Corner lot with spectacular elegance. First floor master suite with extensive use of marble, bath, open layout. Large home of superior quality. Lake promenade on Lower Street, tennis courts, two Walled Lake schools, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 3+ car garage.

(B85FRAN) 248 363 1200 \$949,604



FARMINGTON HILLS Ranch With Walk Out
Back to nature to enjoy 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, great room, library, rooms, in lower level kitchen & hot tub. Cathedral ceiling, great room, master bedroom with bath, Jacuzzi. Recent carpeting, newer furnace, GA double oven, OS Spacious deck.

(B10VAL) 248-626 8800 \$429,000



BINGHAM FARMS Over One Acre
Beautiful landscaped yard on private wooded acre with Birminghams schools. Three bedroom, 2 bath. Ranch with plenty of room to expand. Open floor plan & great curb appeal. A must see.

(B50BRI) 248-642 8100 \$429,900



NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP Elegance At Its Best
Entire into a gallery foyer to a music conservatory, luxury master suite, executive kitchen with granite, custom crown molding & granite throughout. Hardwood floors, 5 bedrooms, 4 1/2 baths, fabulous custom lower level with walk out.

(B04CLA) 734 455 5600 \$1,097,500



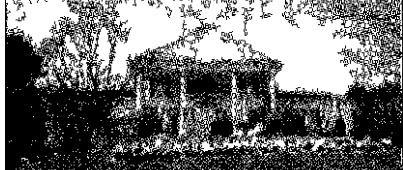
OAKLAND TOWNSHIP One Of A Kind
Custom built 4 BR, 2 1/2 BA home. Dramatic 2 story marble foyer, first floor master BR with walk in closet & marble BA. Media room with bar & FP. History & granite kitchen. GR with 2 way FP to DR. Three car side-tucked garage.

(B25ADA) 248-524-1600 \$488,000



COMMERCE Quality Lake Sherwood
Gorgeous contemporary 5 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, 2 1/2 fireplaces. First floor master suite with Jacuzzi tub & separate shower. Finished over ever full bath, wet bar & kitchenette. Three attached car garage. City water/sewer. Hill on Valley school.

(B01COM) 248 363 1200 \$629,900



WEST BLOOMFIELD Sitting On A Hill
Views of Walnut Lake. Two story foyer, crown moldings, marble & ceramic dining room, butlers pantry, kitchen & breakfast room with 2 way FP to FR. First floor master BR. Walk out with FP kitchen, sauna, patio, door, hot tub, decks & bar comes.

(B96WAB) 248 626-8800 \$1,576,000



BEVERLY HILLS Gorgeous
Four bedroom, 3 1/2 bath home updated kitchen with Corian counters, hardwood floors & newer appliances. Foyer with vaulted ceilings, carved staircase & new baths. Finished basement, large lot & newer roof, windows & furnace.

(B01WIL) 248 642 8100 \$425,900



CANTON Private Premium Site
Pride of ownership shows throughout this 4 bedroom, 2 bath classic Colonial. Family sized kitchen, family room with fireplace, dining room, den & first floor laundry. Extra high ceilings & daylight windows. Ready to the finish touch.

(B76FLU) 734 455 5600 \$489,900



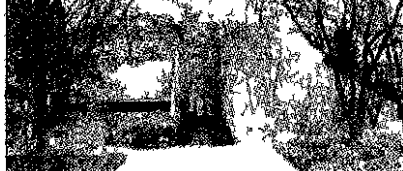
LAKE ORION Lake Frontage
Panoramic views from all sports private lake. Vastness. Open plan, dream kitchen, fourth bedroom, lower level finished walk out, hardwood floors, ceramic baths, cathedral ceilings & first floor laundry.

(B42KEA) 248-652-8000 \$729,000



WEST BLOOMFIELD Stunning
Soft contemporary premium lot, landscaped 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, master suite with walk in closets, jet tub, separate shower, extensive use of granite, kitchen & butlers pantry. 10 car, no crown moldings, fireplace, 3 car attached garage.

(B97QUE) 248 363 1200 \$599,900



ORCHARD LAKE Exceptional Design
Heavenly views & frontage at sports Upper State Lake. Remodeled in 96 with quality materials & amenities beyond compare. Media room with own granite kitchen, master bedroom suite with heated floor & marble tub. Chef's kitchen & much more.

(B37LAP) 248 642 8100 \$3,100,000



NORTHVILLE Ranch On Secluded Lot
Fabulous Ranch with finished walk out, 15 minutes from downtown. Five bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths with great room, family room, 2nd floor, 2 fireplaces, cathedral ceilings, skylights & gorgeous master bath. Professional landscaped.

(B51FEN) 248 349 5600 \$575,000



COMMERCE Better Than New!
Block & shake backs, commons, hardwood floors, dining room, kitchen & kitchen eat room, 2 bay French doors, maple kitchen cabinets, crown tops & island. Hearth room, master with jet tub & separate shower. 1 car deck.

(B58CHE) 734 455-5600 \$424,900



ROCHESTER Sal Mar Former Model
Cul de sac location on the finest custom built 4 bed room home on premium elevated lot. Daylight basement, coved with jigsaws. Pro landscaped, elegant interior, finished bonus room, hardwood floors, dual stoves, moldings & light package.

(B71SPA) 248 652 8000 \$719,000



COMMERCE TOWNSHIP A Rare Find
Premium acres 10+ on all sports Lake Sherwood. Pro landscaped private setting & sandy beach. Three bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, walk-out has been updated throughout. Not a drive by home & see this map of home. It can all be yours.

(B60OAK) 248 363 1200 \$595,000



BIRMINGHAM In-Town Home
New 05-built great Condo-alternative. Magnificent front door, beautiful cherry floors & kitchen with maple & granite. Sun room, granite bath, master suite with walk in closet & balcony. Finished basement with bath, 2 car garage & warranty.

(B60LIN) 248-642-8100 \$769,900



WEST BLOOMFIELD Fabulous Walk Out
Bring your fastest buy to this elegant Colonial. Maple kitchen cabinets, granite in all baths. Two story family room with woodwork views. Newer deck & brick pavers. Three car garage. Grand master suite. Freshly painted.

(B01PEM) 248-649 5600 \$660,000



PLYMOUTH This Is The One!
Located in highly sought after Woodlawn Sub, tucked away on a serene setting with 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, great room with soaring ceilings, walk in closet, hardwood floors overlooking treed lot. Three car attached garage & part-finished basement.

(B96WEL) 734-455-5600 \$585,000



OAKLAND TOWNSHIP Custom Built
Stunning home in secluded sub. Many features including arched entryway, hardwood floors, gourmet kitchen with granite cherry cabinets, crown moldings and walkout French doors and walk out basement.

(B47WOO) 248-652-8000 \$719,000



COMMERCE Lubn/Tmgali Design
Over 1 acre in the woods. Floating star case, extensive use of ceramic throughout. 10 foot ceilings with dental crown moldings & 8 foot doors. Floor to ceiling windows offer views of wooded 1+ acre setting with refectory pond.

(B55WAT) 248 363 1200 \$568,000



BIRMINGHAM Remodeled In 2001
Uniquely beautiful 4 bedroom, 3 bath home with pro landscaped yard and Koi pond. Transformed into a showplace. Map a cab nets, butler's appliances in kitchen and filled with top of the line amenities.

(B17HOL) 248 642 8100 \$595,000



NOVI Fresh & Bright Exceptional Home
Four bedroom, 3 1/2 bath Colonial on approx. 1+ acres with pond. First floor laundry with washer/dryer. Custom light fixtures. Fireplace with Italian marble. Finished walk out with pro work out room. Pressed concrete patio & deck. Northville schools.

(B81DEE) 248 349 5600 \$679,900



ROCHESTER HILLS Gorgeous
Executive estate on approx. 1.5 wooded acres with a small winding stream. Beautiful home with 2 stoves, raised bridge over great room, polished basement with walk out to brick paver patio. Bountiful amenities.

(B78SCE) 248 524 1600 \$799,900



LAKE ORION Located On An Island
Prime 1/2 sports lakefront with drivable bridge, water on three sides. Wrap around porch, boat house with hoist. Open floor plan, studio with skylights, stone fireplace, hardwood floors & finished walk out.

(B04LIN) 248-652 8000 \$639,900



WEST BLOOMFIELD Spectacular Showcase
No expense spared in this Condo. Wooded views, kitchen with granite counters & stainless appliances. Custom wood millwork in granite. Master bath with tiled tub & euro glass door, shower. Lake and spa staircase. Daylight over pond.

(B57CRA) 248 626 8800 \$450,000



BIRMINGHAM Fabulously Restored
Five bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Cape Cod with first floor master bedroom suite, newer kitchen with stainless steel appliances & natural fireplace. Spacious lot with patio & professional landscaping with circular drive.

(B11LIN) 248 642 8100 \$574,800



SOUTH LYON Classic Custom Cape Cod
Two toned cherry cabinets, granite counters, upgraded trim & moulding throughout. Two story great room with large stone faced fireplace & custom mantle. Four car garage insulated & finished. Full size yard with mature trees. 27 hole golf course.

(B60POI) 248-349 5600 \$694,900



HUNTINGTON WOODS Fantastic Home
Charming and updated, hardwood floors, crown moldings, wood trim and 2 bay windows. Updates include Corian counters, baths, copper plumbing, new custom blinds and more. Paver walkways & private yard.

(B16SAL) 248 524 1600 \$550,000



OXFORD One Of A Kind
Very private lakefront home located on approximately 2 1/2 acres. Property can be split. Major updates done in the 90's including kitchen. Features include 3 bedrooms and baths, full finished basement and wrap around decking.

(B99TAN) 248-652-8000 \$509,000



ORCHARD LAKE Perfectly Private
Great for entertaining. Contemporary in woods, overlooks ravine, open floor plan with vaulted ceilings. First floor master bedroom, his & hers walk in closets, trayed ceiling. Kitchen with island, Jenni Air gas cook top & ovens, hardwood floor.

(B06DEE) 248 626 8800 \$760,000



BIRMINGHAM Craftsman Style
Beautiful in town Bungalow filled with nooks and crannies. Two full baths, master bedroom suite with walk in closet and many updates, coved with charm. Gorgeous gardens in front and rear yards. One of a kind.

(B56WAL) 248 642 8100 \$499,900



WEST BLOOMFIELD Designer Perfect!
House Beautiful! on a wooded cul-de-sac! Maple cabinets, granite & hardwood in this cook's delight kitchen. Grand master suite with plumour bath, Jack & Jill, guest suite, private back yard and 3 car garage.

(B43CHE) 248-349 5600 \$710,000



TROY All The Updates In Place
An almost new home. Finished basement with wet bar and avatory. Premium lot with in ground Gunite pool, paver patio & hot tub. Hardwood floors in foyer and kitchen. Professional landscaped. Appliances included.

(B47ASH) 248 524 1600 \$499,900



ROCHESTER HILLS Beautiful
Private home on the river. First and second floor masters, huge family room with vaulted ceiling, fireplace & wet bar. Finished walk out, huge kitchen with island, den with Judges paneling and built in book cases.

(B48RIV) 248-652-8000 \$499,900



WEST BLOOMFIELD On Cass Lake
Beautiful 4 bedroom Ranch with all the extras & fabulous view of Cass Lake. All sports lake. A must see. Great for entertaining, entry level has open floor plan, 3 car garage, cathedral ceilings & skylights. West Bloomfield schools.

(B96ISL) 248 626 8800 \$699,900



BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP Very Clean
Four bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Colonial with neutral decor. Huge remodeled kitchen, freshly painted inside & out, library & first floor laundry. Newer furnace, AC, 3 car garage & beautiful maintained exterior. Birminghams schools.

(B72BEA) 248-642 8100 \$488,500



NORTHVILLE Executive Retreat
Wow! Great floor plan, great location. Northville Hills golf community. Four spacious bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths & granite. Back yard features a private resort in ground pool, daylight. A must see.

(B05MER) 248-349 5600 \$799,900



ROCHESTER Executive Colonial
Impressive with all the bells & whistles. Four bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, 3 car garage & deck overlooking pond. Master bedroom with 2 way fireplace & Jacuzzi. Soaring ceiling in foyer & great room. Kitchen with ceramic & granite. Walk out basement.

(B71TUL) 248 524 1600 \$659,000



ORION TOWNSHIP On A Cul De-Sac
Four bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home backing to state land. Upgrades and custom molding throughout. Professionally decorated and landscaped. Finished lower level. Huge back yard with brick patio.

(B57RID) 248 652-8000 \$424,900



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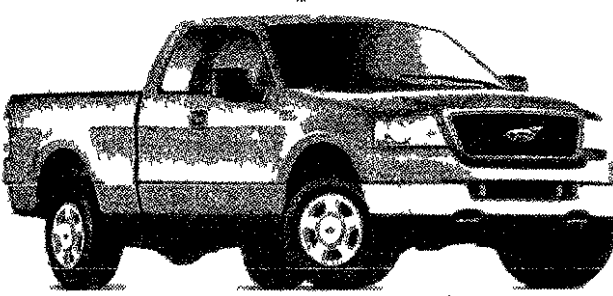
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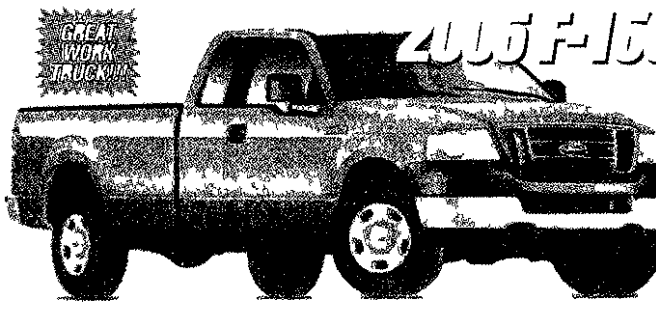
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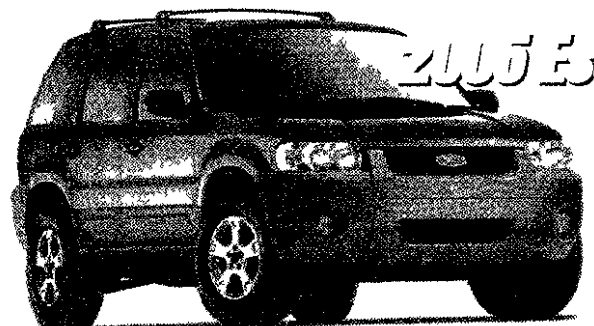
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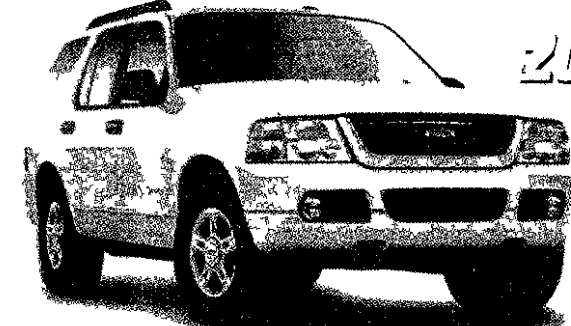
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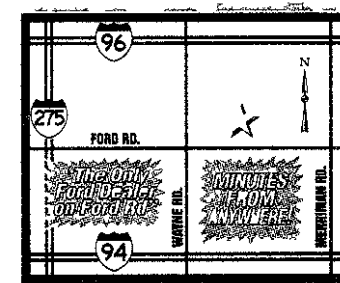
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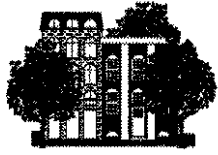
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NORTHVILLE Walk to downtown 2 bd upper flat Large updated Kit w/all appliances Large Dining & Living Room Bsmt & Garage Avail 7/15/05 1 yr lease Credit & References \$785/mo \$1200 sec dep Call Tina 734 416 8736

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PLYMOUTH 4 bd m colonial updated kitchen 1 ep ace bsmt 2 car a \$2 00 mo D&H Property 248 737 4002

ROYAL OAK 11 Mile/Main 2 bd m Upper Hardwood Floors Washer Dryer Sto age \$550/mo + 1 1/2 mo security Available 7/1 248 362 4666

PLYMOUTH 3 bdrm 2 bath garage 2 acres incl lawn care & snow removal wash er/dry \$1400 313 363 6651

PLYMOUTH 5 bdrm colonial 2 bath oak floors fireplace 2 car garage a/c \$1800/mo D&H Properties 248 737 4002

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PLYMOUTH Large Ranch 4 bdrm 2 bath Huge Fenced Lot Living & dining room family room attached 2 Car Garage C/A 5 of Ann Arbor Rd E of Man \$1625 734 674 1695

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Anne Fracassa is on vacation. This week's column is written by Dave Menard, an Avanti NewsFeatures auto critic from Orlando, Fla. Anne's column will return next week.

By Dave Menard
Avanti NewsFeatures

It wasn't that long ago that buying a Hyundai was something you usually did only if you couldn't afford a Honda or a Toyota. The first generation offerings from the Korean carmaker featured bland styling and middling performance, in fact, the most exciting feature of those early Hyundai cars was the warranty they came with - 10 years/100,000 miles on the powertrain, the longest in the industry. But it takes more than a warranty to get customers to buy - it takes vehicles that people want to buy, and Hyundai is starting to make some real progress in that area.

Exhibit "A" could be the 2006 Sonata GLS, the mid-level trim line for that model. All-new for 2006, the Sonata is Hyundai's latest effort to compete in the mid-size segment with Toyota Camry and Honda Accord. In fact, the Sonata is longer, wider and has more interior room than both, and the U.S. government classifies the Sonata as a "large car", although it certainly doesn't look like one in your driveway. The new Sonata is a bit more stylish than previous versions. It has a dual headlight configuration that reminds me of a small Mercedes. The Sonata has a concave hood dome, body side moldings, 16" alloy wheels, and dual chrome-tipped exhaust. It's a nice package.

Inside, the Sonata is comfortable, roomy and has a nice set of included standard features. The seats give good support, but the standard seats are cloth and manually operated, leather seats are not available on the GLS, and power seats are available as an option. The wider body of the Sonata allows for more interior room, and there is plenty of leg, hip and shoulder room. The Sonata is also a couple of inches longer than its competition, and that allows more trunk room, too - 16.3 cu ft. Instrumentation is complete, with a tachometer, digital clock, trip computer, range-to-empty gauge and coolant temperature gauge all included. Power windows, heated mirrors, remote keyless entry, cruise control, adjustable steering column, air conditioning, and electric rear window defogger are all standard.

The Sonata GLS comes with an AM/FM/CD/MP3 player with six speakers and steering wheel-mounted audio controls. It delivers good, though not exceptional, sound. The six-disc CD changer is available only with the top-of-the-line LX.

Hyundai has given the Sonata GLS a 2.4-liter all-aluminum inline four cylinder engine. Don't bother - get the optional 3.3-liter V6. It'll give you 75 more horses (237 total) under the hood and still gets a decent 20/30 mpg. It's mated with a five-speed automatic transmission which features an overdrive lock-up torque converter. Acceleration is decent, but unremarkable, but the engine is fairly quiet at highway speeds.

The Sonata GLS handles pretty well with its four-wheel independent suspension. The front suspension features double wishbone technology with coil springs, twin tube gas-filled hydraulic shocks, and anti-roll bar. The five-link rear suspension features a trailing link, two longitudinal links, coil springs, twin tube gas filled hydraulic shocks and anti-roll bar. It's a nice ride, particularly at highway speeds, where the



Vehicle: 2006 Hyundai Sonata GLS (V6) Type: Large car.
Where built: Montgomery, AL. EPA: 20/30 Base price: \$20,895. Price as tested: \$20,895.

cabin is quiet and comfortable. Power-assisted rack-and-pinion steering is standard, as are anti-lock brakes.

You'd expect a family-type sedan to have safety in mind, and the Sonata GLS does. It comes with dual front airbags (like every car), seat mounted side-impact airbags, side curtain airbags and active head restraints for front seat occupant.

Where the Sonata GLS really shines is the number of features you get for the money. The 2006 Hyundai Sonata GLS starts at a little under \$21,000 for the V6, and there isn't really much you need to add. A power sunroof, power driver's seat and garage door opener are really about the only options, assuming you take the V6.

The Sonata GLS really deserves a look, if you're one of those Accord/Camry buyers. And yes, that 10 year/100,000 warranty is still a part of the package. It's nice to see Hyundai making some cars you might actually want to keep that long. Write Anne Fracassa at avanti1054@aol.com

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