

Academy helps autistic kids reach their



and plumbing costs he said Commissioner Michele Potter who mentors the Youth Commission said the group is planning addi tional fund raisers to raise the remaining cost 'We did a lot of (bottled) water sales during the sum-

mer concert series, and Mayor Pro Tem (Phil) Pursell gave us the use of his car wash for a day in September when we laised \$1,300," Potter said "The Youth Commission is also talking about a project where kids can make Mother's Day cards They have some other opportunities they re looking at, fund-raisers with other businesses and restaurants in the area'

according to Wilson, the money was wired to a Kroger store only a few miles away in Westland.

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Arbor Road and Sheldon

An 80 year old Plymouth

Township woman almost lost

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something,'

Township Sgt Dennis Wilson said 'In the meantime, the victim thought better of it, called her daughter, and then canceled the money transfer, thinking it was a scam

"I don't know of any medical organization that wants money upfront,' Wilson added "These scam artists are just preying on peoples emotions The victims are put in a panic situation and probably giving out information they shouldn't be'

In both cases, according to Wilson, the money was wired to a Kroger store only a few miles away in Westland

"It's hard to track because you don't need identification to wire money under \$1,000," Tiderington said 'They use prepaid cellphones and unregistered cell phones, so tracking a number is impossible'

Tiderington noted while there's been more than a dozen of the scams reported in Michigan, it's occurring around the country

"If someone gets a call such as that, our suggestion is to take the information down and contact their local police," Tiderington said

potential

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

When John Kim saw the kind of progress his son Scott was making at Lorraine Zaksek's Speech, Language and Sensory Motor Systems clinic in Plymouth, he urged Lorraine and her husband George to open a school deducated to working with autistic children

With a lot already on their plate, the Zakseks declined But fate intervened when their daughter, Stephanie Naberhaus, returned to the area. It took another turn when the Zakseks attended a seminar about dealing with autistic kids

That's what really got Lorraine Zaksek

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Kevin Crowley and Leah Inman work with students Scott Kim, Andrew Lipton and **Billy Kuffner**

"Some of the family testimonials were quite heart-wrenching," she admitted "We were tearyeyed, and just at that moment John walked by We grabbed him and said, 'OK, we'll do it '

Stephanie and her husband, Brad, took over the Plymouth clinic, and Lorraine and George Zaksek concentrated on opening Cross Bridge academy, a school they designed for the development of educational programs for "children along the autistic spectrum" and those with significant language and sensory disorders

The school, which currently has five students, started in September 2004 at St John Neumann Catholic Church in Canton Church needs forced

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Potter said the Youth Commission has thus far raised about \$2,500

The new fountain will include a spray ring on the outer limits of the fountain bowl that will shoot and cascade water in a six-foot arch toward the center The center will feature a single bowl that will have water bubbling up and cascading over the edges

What a great achievement, said Mayor Dan Dwyer of the Youth Commission's efforts "It's absolutely incredible to see the youth of our community step up and lead the charge in a community project'

Meanwhile, Sincock said the Victorian-style clock that sits in the Main Street median at the intersection of Ann Arbor Trail is expected to be back in Plymouth next month Herwig Lighting in Russellville, Ark. which built the clock and delivered it to Plymouth in Oct. 1986, has completed restoration of the time piece and will once again deliver it to the City of Homes

The clock was knocked over in May 2005 when 27year-old Timothy Anderson of Plymouth drove his 2002 Ford Crown Victoria into it, separating the clock from its cast aluminum stem

Board candidate ready to make the tough decisions

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

As an engineer for nearly 20 ears at General Motors, Larry Martin of Plymouth Township knows what it's like to live with a decreasing budget and sur-

"I've been faced with not

being able to spend any more money year to year," said Martin "Our budgets get cut every year, and every year we have to do more with less It's happening everywhere" Martin believes he can bring

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Hopeful says support of students is 'in my heart'

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

When Cheryl McKoy is asked why she wants to run for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education, her explanation is

'I love children," McKoy

said "It's in my heart, more than anything That's the biggest thing

McKoy, a Canton Realtor and single mother of three who volunteers to lead the youth of her church, said running for the school board will



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Jaycee egg hunt

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The Plymouth Jaycees will hold one of the areas longest running Easter egg hunts on Saturday, April 15 at Plymouth Township Park.

The Easter Bunny is expected to arrive at 9 30 a m, with the egg hunt beginning about 10 a.m In addition to eggs filled with candy and tickets redeemable for grand prizes, all children who attend will receive a special gift The egg hunt was first organized by the Plymouth Jaycees in the 1950s, and is one of the longest-running Plymouth civic organization projects The primary sponsor is Dr Gary Hall and the Plymouth Dental Group

Flag series

The Plymouth Historical

Museum is hosting the last three parts of the series, Flags-History and Heroes,' 7 30 p m Thursday, April 13

Lincoln interpreter Fred Priebe will talk about 'The Tragedy of Elmer Ellsworth," explaining who Elmer Ellsworth was and why his tragic end was so important and meaningful to Lincoln

Then, at 7 30 p m Thursday, May 11, speaker Kerry Chartkoff, Director of Capital Services in Lansing will talk about how Michigan gave over 80,000 men to fight for the Union cause during the Civil War Each unit was a Regiment and each Regiment had a Regimental Flag These flags were more that just symbols, they were carried through gunfire and chaos to led men into

battle These symbols of bravery and loss on exhibit at our Michigan State Capital were restored and reproduced under the direction of Kerry Chartkoff so their history and their stories would be told to future generations

All programs are free and open to the public For more information, visit the museum's Web site at www plymouthistory org or call (734) 455-8940

Chorus concert

The Plymouth Community Chorus presents its annual spring concert, "Just for Fun,' 8 p m Saturday, April 29 and 4 p m Sunday, April 30 at Northville High School, 46700 Six Mile, Northville

The chorus brings back popular and soft-rock favorites,



Jazz on stage

The local jazz group, "Hubbell Street" performs on stage at the Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center for the Arts 8 p.m. Friday, May 5. Presented by the Plymouth Community Arts Council, this six-piece group with two singers will play a mix of vintage and modern classics including popular standards, swing, Latin jazz, rhythmand-blues as well a jazz-rock in the intimate setting Live @ 774 as part of the "First Friday" performance series Tickets are \$10 per person, \$20 per family and are available at the Center for the Arts 774 N Sheldon in Plymouth, or by calling (734) 416-4278



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Bunny pictures

GMAC Real Estate/The Kee Group in Plymouth hosts pictures with the Easter Bunny 1-4 p m Sunday, April 9

In addition to the opportunity to take pictures with the Easter Bunny, the event features lemonade and treats for the children and coffee and cookies for the parents

GMAC Real Estate/The Kee Group is located at 1365 S Main in Plymouth For more information, call (734) 451-5400

Bunny at Cafe

Children of all ages can have pictures taken with the Easter Bunny Sunday from noon to 4 pm at the Compass Cafe on

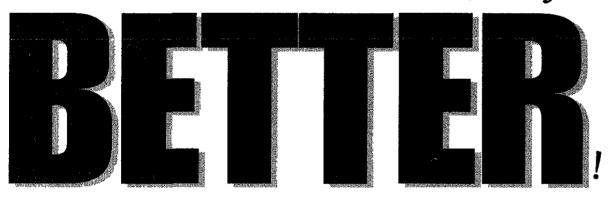
Main Street in downtown Plymouth

The Easter Bunny is sponsored by the Plymouth A.M Rotary Club The \$5 donation will help the club fund its community-wide programs

Legal clinic

Legal Aid and Defender Association, Inc will conduct a free outreach clinic on civil legal services for income-eligible residents of Macomb, Oakland and Wayne counties, including the city of Detroit, 9 30 a.m Thursday, May 4 at the Plymouth Community Council on Aging in the Plymouth Library, 223 S Main in Plymouth Attendees are asked to register before 10 30 a.m , as a Legal Aid attorney will assist only those persons who have done so by that time Contact Gina Polley, director of community relations and governmental affairs, by phone at (313) 964-4111, Ext 6440 or (877) 964-5310, or by e-mail at gpolley@ladadetroit org





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Moving forward, back in time

As memorial park comes together, capsules give glimpse of Plymouth's history

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Organizers of the Plymouth Community Veterans Memorial Park were able to take a peak at Plymouth's past when they opened two time capsules found in the base of the Civil War statue known as The Lady

The war memorial was moved Tuesday from its long time home in Riverside Cemetery to its permanent location at the new memorial park, which is being constructed in front of Central Middle School

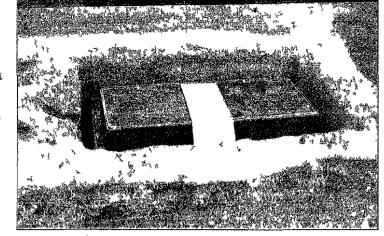
The first was put there in 1917, when the statue was originally in Kellogg Park, said Bob Zaetta, chairman of the Memorial Park commit tee "The second one was put there in 1970, when it was moved to the cemetery

The 1917 capsule con tained several lists of men who served in the Civil War era and a newspaper Zaetta said The second box, which was twice as large as the orig inal, also had a newspaper photographs of city officials and a booklet that had information about the city

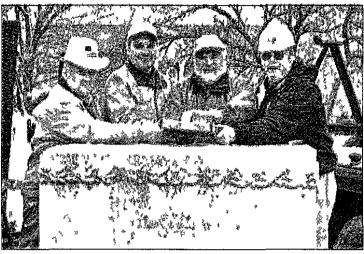
Plymouth Historical Museum Director Beth Stewart said the museum archives already had copies of everything in the two time capsules

Museum workers helped to restore the documents that, surprisingly, weathered time fairly well

The 1917 documents were in very good shape," said Stewart They were sealed



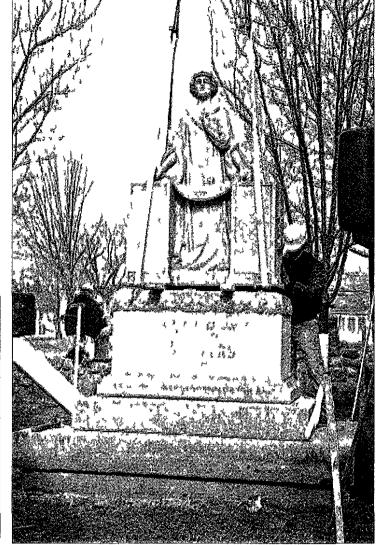
The time capsule copper boxes rest in the niche in the base of the monument before the upper Lady is set in place



Memorial park committee members John Neault (from left) Dan Packer, Bob Zaetta and Charlie Abner put time capsules from 1917 and 1970 back into the base of The Lady

nicely and didnt get wet

The seal on the 1970 box came loose and the box cracked," she said The doc uments inside and photo graphs got pretty wet Stewart said they were able to restore some of the damaged documents Our Lincoln exhibit, research room and archives are all humidity controlled by



Workers place ' The Lady'' on its base at the new Veterans Memorial Park being built in front of Central Middle School

a reverse osmosis humidification system, Stewart said 'The hardest thing about pulling out documents that have been damp, if they dry too quickly they get brittle They need a place where the materials can continue to get humidification

'We encapsulated every document in acid-free mylar (plastic), which will keep The war memorial was moved Tuesday from its longtime home in Riverside Cemetery to its permanent location at the new memorial park, which is being constructed in front of Central Middle School.

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them from getting any worse,", she said

The boxes, wrapped together with all-purpose duct tape,² were put back into the statue ³ on Wednesday, along with a third time capsule

'We added some photographs of The Lady being moved from the cemetery, one of our fund-raising brochures, a Michigan quarter and a newspaper,' said Zaetta '(Committee member) Hal Young put in a pin that read 'Support Our Troops ''

Eventually, all five war monuments scattered throughout the city will find permanent homes at the Veterans Memorial Park

Dedication ceremonies for the \$561,000 project is planned for the Fourth of July

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Oakwood to host OB/GYN seminar

Oakwood Healthcare System has established a program for minimally invasive technology in healthcare for women under the leadership of Charles T Cash MD, OB/GYN A free educational seminar will be held at Summit on the Park 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton on Thursday April 13

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to discuss the comprehensive gynecology procedures that will allow women to receive less invasive procedures per formed in a doctor's office

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Plymouth-Canton Schools if elected to one of the two fouryear seats on the Board of Education come May 2

"I ve seen several runs at the budget, and every time it worries me more and more," said Martin "Were actually going to be borrowing money to pay teachers at the end of the next school year We ve got ourselves in a hole, with help from the state with the lack of funding, but I don't see the state bailing us out.'

Martin credits the current Board of Education for building a sizable equity fund, which has been used to balance budgets

the past several years However, Martin said deeper budget cuts should have been made

"I think the writing was on the wall last year, they needed to make more cuts, Martin said 'I think its much better to make cuts each year, rather than wait for it all to build, and then make massive cuts

'We need more teacher input on what can be reduced, he said They're the ones in the classroom, and they should be the last ones to feel the brunt We need to start outside the classroom

Martin stopped short of saying he won t vote for the \$120 million bond proposal on the ballot for renovations and new construction However, to get a

'yes" vote from Martin will take a lot of convincing

"We really need the rooms in the bond the elementary, middle and high schools are all crowded," he said "But I don't know how we're going to be able to afford the overhead of the buildings The first part of the bond is almost \$2 million in operating budget, and the sec ond part is about \$500,000

If we re going to try and pass this bond, we need to know how we're going to open them,' he said 'Its gong to be difficult to have brand new facilities and staff them because we don t have the money When you look at opening a pool, that's one teacher"

Martin said hes in favor of

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building a second middle school in Canton, because with four of them in the Plymouths "we spend millions and millions and millions of dollars busing kids

around the district Martin – an engineer at a domestic automaker being economically challenged by foreign competition - is in favor of the tougher high school graduation requirements being handed down by the state

We're in a global competition here," said Martin "People in Japan are going to school six days a week, the Chinese are doing that. We continue to do business overseas, so we need to think globally, and that comes all the way down to students in this district."

MCKOY

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give her more opportunities to help shape young lives

The youth are our treasure, our future, and it's so important to give them everything they can possibly have to be successful citizens," McKoy said "Not everybody is going to be a straight-A student, but everybody has something they can give'

McKoy joins seven other candidates vying for the two four-year seats in the May 2 board election, in which voters will also be asked to approve \$120 million in bonds for renovations and new facilities throughout the district

Without second thought, McKoy said she's backing the two-question proposal

'As a resident, I'm interested in protecting the quality of education for our community that will continue to attract individuals to our community," McKoy said

McKoy is looking forward to the new Career and Technical Education Center, should the bond pass

"I think it's a great idea, because it's giving kids the

skills they need for when they leave school and get a job, or even while they're still in school, McKoy said

As a result of budget deficits the past several years, McKoy said its time to look elsewhere for much needed revenue

"I m in favor of looking at other means of financing, namely from favorable corporations that would put a nice face on a school, and continue to pour finances toward our youth," she said

McKoy said shes in agreement with the new high school graduation standards being set by the state, and likes the opt out opportunity "if a student chooses to go with technical training

However, McKoy said the district should be prepared to support those students who need help in achieving the more stringent graduation requirements

"I m for tutoring, and how we can assist children who are struggling, with any type of after school programs,' McKoy said "We want everybody to have the opportunity to graduate with as much as possible"

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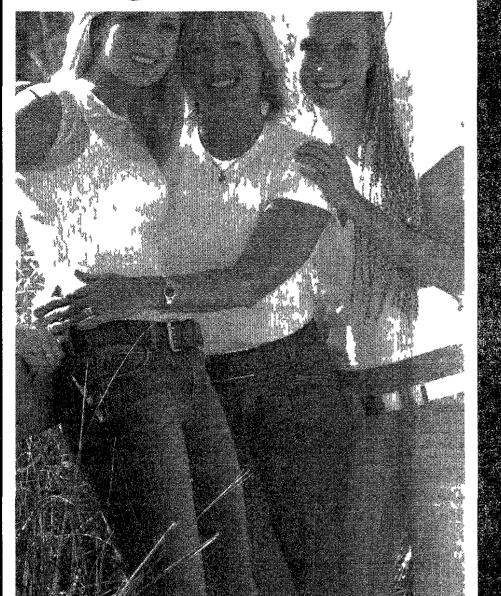
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WOW! Country Living Magazine showcases club, co-founder

BY SUE MASON STAFF WRITER

LOCAL NEWS

Mary Denning has a sweet reputation, sweet enough to earn national recognition for herself and her favorite group, the Women of Westland Country Living magazine named Denning as

one of six finalists in its Comfort Contest, which landed the owner of Mary Denning's Cake Shoppe mention in its May issue

"It's kind of nice, but it would have been nicer to win the \$5,000 grand prize, we could have done a lot with that, said Denning who is the WOW president "But it's still pretty cool'

Some 800 individuals from around the country were nominated for the comfort they bring to their communities through "good deeds, acts of kindness and volunteer efforts" by working with an established, recognized organization or charity

Ironically, it was Denning who saw the adver tisement for the contest in the magazine and told fellow WOW member Robin Cooke that the club needed to nominate someone Cooke decid ed Denning was the best candidate

'She's the unsung hero in the group,' said Cooke 'She works behind the scenes and does n't want the attention It's amazing the amount of time she puts in

While "it's nice to be recognized," Denning admits she prefers to let others have the attention She has more than enough accolades -Woman of the Year, Westland ATHENA Award, Wal-Mart Business Person of the Year, to name a few

I dont want this to be the Mary Denning Club," she said 'WOW has a lot of great women and they all need to shine I want WOW to take credit for what we do

Denning has been at the helm of the organization since she and Mary Gregosky founded it in 2000, helping build it in to a 40-member group that has raised some \$50,000 to benefit women and children in Westland and neighboring communities Their inspiration was the Garden City Business and Professional Women's Club They attended a meeting, saw what they were doing and decided they could do that

WOW affiliated with the Westland Chamber of Commerce to start and eventually decided to become its own nonprofit With the money it has raised, among other things, it has helped provide a playscape at the Rose F Kennedy Respite Center and provided Barbara Douglas scholarships, including four this year, for women returning to school

Everything that comes in goes back into the community said Denning Our only cost is half of a phone bill

The groups involvement reads like a whos



Mary Denning shows off the handcrafted Country Living Collection guilt she received as a runner-up in the magazine s Comfort Contest

who of the city It has helped the Westland Goodfellows, Westland Historical Society, the Wayne Westland Community Schools' Red Wagon Literacy Project and the Westland Relay for Life It also provided 300 pairs of socks for the victims of Hurricane Katrina who relocated to the Detroit area

But the crowning achievement may well be WOWs annual Chocolate Fantasy Ball which serves as the backdrop for the presentation of the Westland ATHENA Award, and it is Denning who puts the chocolate in the name

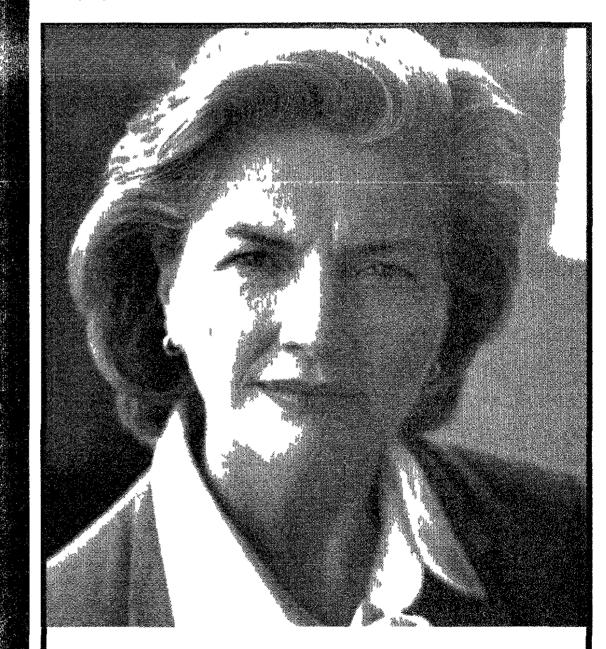
In its second year, the ball raised \$17,000 for WOW programs It also has caught the attention of ATHENA International which will have Cooke speak at its international convention at the end of this month about the Westland program

They see our program as a hallmark example of how to run a successful ATHENA program,' said Cooke "People are starting to recognize what we do and generate more funds to give away

While Denning didn t get the cash, as a runner-up, she did receive a handcrafted Country Living Collection quilt and several copies of the magazine But that's OK She plans to use it in a raffle to raise money for WOW

Mary 1s a positive, upbeat person," said Cooke She does all this and runs a successful business Shes like my idol If I keep up with Mary, I'll be successful'

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 ${}^{cm}_{v}$ A plan to protect 4 5 mil-lion acres of state-managed hunting land as the Department of Natural Resources continues to implement its land consolidation strategy is being introduced by a local legislator

State Rep Jim Plakas (D-Garden City) announced plans to introduce the Michigan Hunting Heritage Protection Act

"Hunting is a tradition and an economic driving force in southeast Michigan and throughout our state,' Plakas said

" "This tradition is passed down from one generation to

the next going back to our grandparents' grandparents Michigan's great outdoors is a vital part of our heritage and we must do everything within our power to protect it"

The Democratic plan would require that there is no net loss of state-owned hunting land in Michigan

Any public hunting land that the state sells would have to be replaced with an equal amount of public hunting land

Michigan has 8 million acres of public hunting land, with 4 5 million acres managed by the Department of Natural Resources

Michigan has more than 750,000 hunters, ranking the state third in the nation in licensed hunters, according to the DNR

Hunting significantly bolsters Michigan's economy by \$2 5 billion every year, the DNR reported, and contributes an estimated \$1 3 bilhon directly to the state's economy every year

In addition, because many residents plan trips around hunting seasons, peripheral spending at local hotels, restaurants and other businesses rakes in an additional \$1 2 billion for Michigan's economy

DFCU Financial members battle switch to bank

BY DAN WEST STAFF WRITER

A group of DFCU Financial members are banding together to oppose an effort by the credit union's board of directors to convert the not-for-profit credit union into a for-profit mutual savings bank

The charter conversion needs the approval of a majority of DFCU members who participate in the ongoing election via mailed ballot or in person during a June 21 meeting The credit union is offering a chance to win cash prizes to members who vote

The protesting credit union members said the conversion would result in less membership control with plans to sell stock. They added there will be increases in fees, penalties and rates for loans Credit union management maintains there will be no change in the cost for

banking services or the atmosphere at the institution's seven metro Detroit locations, including those in Livonia, Canton and Garden City

'We see no benefit at all," said Margaret Blohm, spokeswoman for the protesting membership group called DFCU Owners United "If there is no benefit for the members, then there must be a benefit for the insiders. which would result in lost benefits for the members"

DFCU Owners United was scheduled to be at DFCU Financial locations Saturday to walk picket lines and collect at least 500 signatures from qualified members needed to call a special meeting of the board of directors The group will also hold an informational meeting at 7 p m Monday at O L Smith Middle School in Dearborn, located on Michigan Avenue, just east of Telegraph

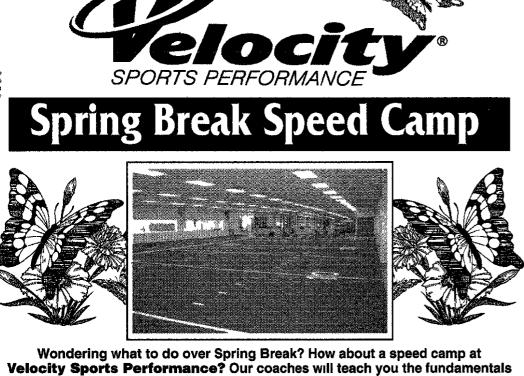
"We're getting the word out so

the members know what's at stake," said Blohm, a DFCU member for 28 years "We want to make sure they get out and vote

In literature distributed to DFCU Financial's 160.000 members, management encourages the conversion into a mutual holding company because it will enable the institution to maintain long-term competitiveness in an economically challenged region They report the change in legal structure will allow DFCU to raise capital, serve anyone in the market and expand to maintain the "outstanding service" members expect. Also, DFCU Financial (formerly Dearborn Federal Credit Union) reports members will not lose voting rights, even if they do not own stock, and a mutual savings bank cannot be sold to a commercial bank without the approval of DFCU board and members







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Canton woman celebrates her 100th birthday

BY CAROL MARSHALL STAFF WRITER

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Rosa Chase shook her head and laughed when she heard the question - again What's the secret to living to the age of 1002

'I don't know a secret," she said "I just live"

Maybe it's all the walking she has done, having never owned or driven a car Or maybe it's that women in her family live long - her mother and aunt, specifically Or it could be good friends, who gathered for a belated birthday party for Chase this week

Chase's 100th birthday was back on March 1, but she and a dozen of the original residents of Canton Place, a senior highrise community on Ford Road in Canton, got together for lunch and cake Thursday, and took some time to look at Chase's life and talk about the time they've been able to share together since they moved into the building in 1989

It hasn t been an easy 100 years, according to Chase's daughter, Kay Kenny of



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Canton's Rosa Chase said there are no secrets to reaching her 100th

birthday, which she did last month

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"She always had to work and she raised four children, Kenny said, adding that Chase's oldest child died last year

But Chase has a few stories to share, and her children and grandchildren enjoy them so much they've become a sort of family lore

Chase (then Rosa Myra Carrier) was born in 1906 and grew up in Grand Rapids, Minn When she was 18, her father and oldest brother headed to Detroit to find work at Ford Motor Co, but never did Instead they found other jobs (her father was a carpenter and her brother was a barber) and soon after sent for Chases mother and her

Chases mother sold the family's home in Minnesota for \$500, and used the money to buy a new Model A Ford, which she drove to Detroit over washboard roads They made it just fine, and Chase has lived in southeastern Michigan ever since

She now enjoys good health, plenty of time with family and friends, and as much as her eyesight will let her, arts and crafts, knitting and reading

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ACADEMY

FROM PAGE A1

Cross Bridge to seek a new home this year (they'll move into Geneva Presbyterian Church in Canton next year) Since John Kim had talked them into the school in the first place, Kım – who owns Compass Cafe in downtown Plymouth - stepped up and helped them out

Kim agreed to build out the lower level of the cafe to give the school a place to help the children

'I can t say enough about (Kim), Lorraine Zaksek said Certainly he wants what s best for the students His goal is to bring this to as many children with autism as possible Hes very dedicated

The Zakseks went about assembling a professional team and designing a program that helps children who are 'at a point where they learn best in an individual environment," Zaksek said Each classroom at Cross Bridge is designed for one teacher and two aides

They teach using the "Association Method, a phonetic, multi-sensory teaching and learning strategy specifically designed for language deficient children The method incorporates auditory, visual, tactile and kinesthetic cues for learning and has individual teaching time woven into all group-learning activities

The Association Method was originally designed to help teachers deal with profoundly deaf children, but Zaksek said there are many similarities

'Many inherent characteristics of this program are suit able for language-impaired kids, she said "The method builds comprehension of language, reading and writing at the same time Its very multi-

According to Zaksek, Cross Bridge students get three therapy and an hour of speech and language therapy in a cur riculum thats big on social skill development She said classically autistic children have complex disorders that would be easy to misconstrue It would be easy to think these children are cognitively



Kristen Churches swings Scott Kim as a reward for his performance during the

impaired, Zaksek said But with specialized techniques, we re finding many of them might even be gifted

The biggest challenge, according to the teachers charged with executing the program, is making it specific to each child

In a school like this, (the biggest challenge) is trying to individualize it said teacher Leah Inman, who has a bache lors degree in special ed from Western Michigan, with endorsements in emotional impairments and learning disabilities 'You have to make it unique to each students needs, so they get the most out of the program

Joy Muscat worked at Speech & Language with Zaksek, and moved with her to Cross Bridge, where she's a teaching assistant She said she felt a little lost" the first year because everything was so new Now in her second year. Muscat is finding her way

It's very rewarding, Muscat said The kids are so smart, so intelligent

The kids at Cross Bridge are now reading at a kindergarten or first grade level something Zaksek thinks shows how far the kids can come

They ve made a lot of progress, she said One of the biggest thrills for us is seeing children who might otherwise be overlooked demonstrate their potential

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State immigration proposals revive Know Nothing spirit

y ancestors all came from Ireland I've never explored the family genealogy but both paternal and maternal sides of the family tree probably made their way here before 1900 and some probably as far back as the 1840s in the first rush of Irish Catholics escaping the potato famine

otato famine to the store in the store is a store in the store in the store is a store in the store in the store is a store in the store in the store is a store in the store in into the country through then legal channels I suppose some could have hidden in a tramp steamer and then made off in a small boat once they got close to New York City or maybe they were legally allowed into Canada and then creeped over the border through Maine or Vermont from Quebec

Don't know if any of them were Fenians, on the



lam from British justice as terrorists and agitators against British rule in Ireland Probably not My paternal grandfather, for whom I was

named, was pretty strait-laced He worked more than 50 years on the Lackawana Railroad as a switchman beginning in 1906 According to an article in the Lackawana company magazine in 1954 he had a perfect safety

record on a dangerous job He was given the Orchid of the Month Solid, hardworking and I suspect his parents were as well

He went to Mass every morning before work When my ancestors arrived they encountered numerous 'No Irish Need Apply signs for any but the most menial and dangerous occupations They gravitated to the coal mines and railroads

"They" and 'their" foreign religion were the particular targets of the Know Nothing Party, a remnant of the Whigs before the Civil War 'They" would be joined in time by Italians, Jews from Eastern Europe, Poles and other groups

State Rep Robert Gosselin, R-Troy, would be a Know Nothing if the party still existed He is the sponsor of an 11-bill package that he calls "Michigan Citizens First which seeks to create residency and citizenship requirements for financial assistance including scholarships, education grants and state-funded mortgage programs

This is all part of a concerted effort nationally and in the state to deal with the problem of illegal immigrants On Friday, the US Senate shelved a compromise bill that would allow some illegal immigrants (those here more than five years and able to pay a fine and back taxes) to eventually work toward citizenship The bill requires immigrants who have been here less than five years to touch back with their home country before being allowed back into the

United States and would send illegal immigrants with less than two years back to their countries of origin It would also beef up border security to prevent more illegals from arriving and penalize businesses that hire illegals

The Senate compromise had won the favor of President Bush and but faced stiff opposition from Senate conservatives and the House, which passed a tough bill in December making illegal immigration a felony and created stiff new fines for employers who employ illegal immigrants It also would extend a physical wall along the 700plus-miles border with Mexico in addition to other security measures

Illegal immigration is a problem An estimated 10 million to 12 million people are in this country illegally Conservatives argue that any plan to allow these immigrants to become legal residents constitutes amnesty (which is apparently a very scary word) But, also, labor unions argue that illegal aliens in some parts of the country drive down wages and that immigrants are exploited by employers who underpay them and don't provide proper safety and health protection Though most unions oppose the House approach

There are security issues, crime issues and lost tax income

It's a tangled web and needs to be addressed But the package "Michigan Citizens First" is a mis guided, xenophobic mess Any bills that require citizenship to receive benefits would deny benefits to taxpaying legal immigrants The bills also seem based more on notions than actual information

In a story Thursday Gosselin said, "I don t know what it would mean in terms of economics if we clamped down on illegal immigrants But I do know that it's costing us right now We pay for it through out hospitals and our schools Our systems are being overtaxed and drained dry" (By an estimated 150,000 illegal immigrants in a population of nine million?)

What these proposals do is penalize hardworking people who want to be even more productive by getting an education, buying a home, putting down roots and paying taxes It's just a slap at people already on the lowest rung of our society It's legislative bullying

Gosselin also argues that Michigan lost representation in Congress to California because of all the illegal immigrants there Wouldnt that be an argument for inviting more illegal immigrants to Michigan rather than driving them down to California and Texas? Talk about Know Nothing!

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Once again, case of the Oakland County child killer taunts us

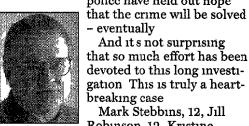
ith the possible exception of Jimmy Hoffa's disappearance, I can't think of another crime that has gripped Oakland County so strongly for so long as the Oakland County child murder case

Nearly 30 years after four children were abducted, including one from in front of a store on Maple near Woodward in Birmingham, police continue to investigate the case, hoping to find a clue before it is too late to ever solve it

The killer, if he is still alive, is getting older

Most recently, police had planned to go down to a prison in Indiana to interview a potential suspect It's not the first time police have held out hope

And its not surprising



Greg

breaking case Mark Stebbins, 12, Jill Robinson, 12, Kristine Mihelich, 10, and Timothy

Kowalski King, 11, were abducted and murdered between

December 1976 and March 1977 Timothy was abducted in Birmingham Their bodies were found scattered from the side of I 75 in Troy to a ditch in Livonia At least two of the kids had been sexually assaulted

There were scant clues – a blue AMC Gremlin may have been involved - but it was never found In fact, nothing ever came of any clue, tip, lead or hope that the case would ever be solved

For several years I knew Jerry Tobias while he was on the Bloomfield Township Board of Trustees Tobias, who was once the Franklin Village police chief, was part of the Oakland County child killer investigation team from the beginning He never gave up the search

From time to time he would give me updates on the case In particular I remember one Saturday when he called me at home There had been a break in the case, he said He was confident that at last there might be a resolution at any time That was about five years ago

Nothing came of it, just as nothing came of all the other leads that glowed red hot only to fade over the years

Jerry died in January 2004 I know that if he had only one regret in life it was that he

For several years I knew Jerry Tobias while he was on the Bloomfield Township Board of Trustees. Tobias, who was once the Franklin Village police chief, was part of the Oakland County child killer " investigation team from the beginning. 💈 He never gave up the search.

couldn't crack this case It meant a lot to him It's hard to get excited anymore when

someone says there's a new lead in case Just as they tear up the countryside from time to time in search of Jimmy Hoffa, the ... hunt for the Oakland County child killer " goes on

And on

Despite the years, this must be dreadful for the families of the children But what could be worse than thinking that somewhere out there the killer is still free

Or maybe not It's been speculated the killer never struck again because he is in prison on some other charge. Or he may be v dead Or maybe he did kill again somewhere else and the cases were not linked

Or maybe

Or maybe

That's the frustration The most dedicat- 🗇 ed investigators and most sophisticated police work haven't been able to solve these murders

That's not without precedent Back in 1888 the most famous serial killer of all time murdered five women in one of the largest, most sophisticated cities in the world. Yet Jack the Ripper was never caught and has grown to legendary status, in a perverse way

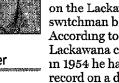
The Oakland County child killer won't achieve the notoriety of Jack the Ripper But that doesn't make this case any less painful

The identity of Jack the Ripper likely will never be known, but there still is hope that this case will be broken Unless the killer operated alone and never spoke about his 🐇 acts to anyone, someone out there knows who he is And maybe

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Tours of the university s new environmentally friendly Taubman Students Services building will be Included

Participants will also be able to ride a mechanical bull view Formula and Mini Baja vehicles and attend the Whiz Bang Chemistry show

There will also be presentations on the Rouge River Watershed and civil engineering students will break a concrete bridge beam

They will also be able to engi neer their own river view the work of student architects and design ers and see a concrete canoe that floats

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BY PAT MURPHY STAFF WRITER

Its geothermal heating system extends 300 feet underground

Its living, green roof insulates against summer's scorching sun and winter's biting cold

Its sweeping glass wall dominates the campus quadrangle, providing grandeur to the center where students go to change a class, get financial aid or look for a job

It's the \$13 9 million A. Alfred Taubman Student Services Center and it will be dedicated Friday at Lawrence Technological University in Southfield

The center's environmentally-friendly features are more than talking points, said Joseph Veryser, associate dean of the LTU College of Architecture and Design They're examples of LTU

practicing the cutting-edge technology students need in their professional careers, Veryser said earlier this week while previewing the newest structure on the 125-acre campus

Environmentally-friendly design is important as companies look for ways to conserve energy, Veryser said

And LTU students are expected to be familiar with them, said Ann Knecht, an architecture student from Ann Arbor "Companies want us to know something about them, she said

Andrea Lazar, a student from Farmington Hills, said she is anxious to put some of those concepts into practice "They're important when I look at a company (as a perspective employer),' she said The building is designed as a

hving laboratory, said Bruce Annett Jr, executive director of marketing and public affairs, in compliance with LEED[™] (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design)

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rainwater, with the rest recycled as gray' water used for flushing toilets and irrigating the adja cent campus quadrangle

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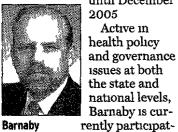
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Barnaby named new Botsford board chairman

Steve Barnaby has been named chairman of the board of directors for Botsford General Hospital

He replaces Edward N Hodges III, JD, of Farmington Hills, who served as Botsford's board chair for 22 years and was recently named chairman emeritus

Barnaby has been affiliated with Botsford governance for almost 30 years, he was origi nally appointed to the board in February 1977 He also served as chairman of the board of directors of Botsford's sister organization, Community EMS, until December



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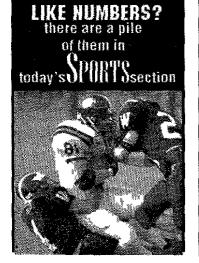
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ing in the Michigan Health and Hospital Association s Excellence in Governance Fellowship for 2005-2006

The board of trustees of the American Hospital Association appointed Barnaby to a twoyear term as an at-large member of its committee on governance In that capacity, he is participating in the development of policies to represent, guide and assist the nation s hospitals The committee also promotes grassroots advocacy efforts of behalf of hospitals

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If AD's leave, P-CEP athletics will suffer



ven though my job requires me to focus more on scoring aver-ages than grade-point averages, I'm certain of this Academics form the central nervous system of every school district

Ed Wright

Without a healthy, well-rounded educational structure, school districts would be weak, stagnant and detrimental to the students they

serve

literally hundreds of high school sporting events over the past two years - from state championship football games to out-of-the-limelight freshmen baseball games - I'm also sure of this While academics serve as the brain of a school district, athletics make up the heart

There is nothing that strengthens a school's pulse more than a bond-

But as someone who has witnessed ing, feel-good, successful run by one terally hundreds of high school of its athletic teams

And few things build more confidence, self-esteem, camaradene and just plain old exuberance in a student than participating on a sports team, no matter if that team goes 20-0 or 0-20

HEART OF THE MATTER

Now, I'm not a cardiologist (and I

dıdı t stay at a Holiday Inn Express last night), but I'm reasonably confident of this If a budget-cutting plan aimed at saving the Plymouth-Canton School District \$30,000 a year forces the three current P-CEP athletic directors to depart - which it may - then the heart of the "Park" will lose a significant percentage of

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'Cats halt **Canton's** long streak

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

One of the most impressive winning streaks in area high school athletics ended Thursday afternoon

At the same time, another one may have started

When Plymouths boys track team upended Canton, 89-48, in the season-opening dual meet for both teams, it snapped the Chiefs' streak of 21 straight victories Canton's last loss before Thursday came on May 14, 2002, when it dropped

BOYS TRACK AND FIELD

a close decision to Livonia Churchill

With the triumph, the Wildcats may be starting a long and illustrious streak of their own That's the word from Canton coach Bob Richardson, who came away impressed by the Wildcats' depth

'l always said that when they get all four classes in there that they'd be very good, and they are. I give a lot of credit to coach (Kurt) Britnell and his staff. They've done a

I always said that when they get all four classes in there that they'd be very good, and they are, said Richardson, referring to Plymouths first team with seniors I give a lot of credit to coach (Kurt) Britnell and his staff They ve done a nice job All streaks have to

come to end some time like ours did on





Gymnast shines

Samantha King, 12, of Canton, gualified as a Junior B competitor to **USA Gymnastics, Level 9** at the Junior Olympic National Championships being held at the Memorial Gym at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn. King will represent the

Michigan Academy of **Gymnastics and Region 5** of USA Gymnastics, which includes Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio and Michigan

She will compete against 47 other gymnasts in her age group at the National Championships.

King scored a 36 05 in the all-around to finish tied for 11th at the Region **5 championships March** 31 at Benedictine University in Lisle, III. She tallied a bronze medal-winning 9175 on 5 the beam and a 9125 on the floor exercise (12th place)

Spring camps Canton's High Velocity

Sports will be offering all-sport and craft camps during spring break, April 17-21

The all-sport camp includes several activi ties including flag football basketball volleyball dodge ball and floor hockey The camp will be offered dally or weekly There are also half-day options (9 a m to noon and 1-4 p m) for kids between the ages of 5 and 8 Full-day camps for kids between 7 and 12 will run from 9 a m to 4 p m The camp fee is \$25 per day or \$99 per week for half-day campers and \$45 per day and \$189 per week for full-day participants The crafts camp, which will offer tie-dyeing, jewelry designing and many more activities, is offered to boys and girls between the ages of 5 and 12 from 9 a m to noon, April 17-21. The cost is \$115, which includes the fee---for all supplies For more information visit www.hvsports.com

nice job.' **Bob Richardson**

Canton coach

Thursday Now we can start a new one"

Many stars shined for Plymouth, most notably seniors D J Coleman, who won the

100-meter dash (11 3) and the 200-meter dash (23 3) while contributing to the Wildcats' winning 400-meter relay team, and Anthony Scaparo, who turned in gold-plated efforts in the 1,600-meter run (4 58 1) and 3,200-meter run (10 36 4) Scaparo also ran the third leg of the Wildcats' first-place 3,200-meter relay team

Other individual Plymouth firsts were garnered by Cam Scharchburg (high jump), LaBroderick Caldwell (long jump), Ben Ambrose (pole vault), Nate Gholston (110 high hurdles) and Sean Dillon (800-meter run)

The Chiefs received first-place points from Steve Paye (discus), Ryan Jonik (shot put), Cyrus Azızı (400-meter run) and Tim Belcher (300 high hurdles)

Plymouth won three of the four relays

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Salem's Brittany Lockhart shows off her winning form in the 100-meter hurdles at Thursday's dual meet against Livonia Churchill Lockhart won the event in 16 31, but the Rocks lost the meet, 93-44

Churchill outruns Salem, 93-44

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

The Salem girls track team had its moments Thursday afternoon in the season-opening dual meet against Livonia Churchill Unfortunately, the Rocks didn't

have nearly enough to stay with the speedy Chargers, who pulled away for a 93-44 victory in a meet held at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park's varsity stadium

"Our semors performed very well today," said first-year Salem coach Julie Montgomery "Brittany

Lockhart, Allison Janda and Dana Eldred all had really good performances

Lockhart was phenomenal, turning in first-place efforts in the 100-meter high hurdles (16 1 seconds), 300 hurdles (46 9) and long jump (15 feet, 9 inches)

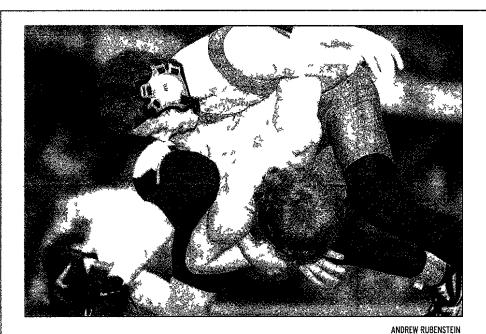
Janda won the 800-meter run (2 35 7), was second in the 400 (1 04 6) and anchored the Rocks firstplace mile-relay foursome

Eldred found success in many of the same events as Lockhart, placing second in the 100 hurdles (176), the 300 hurdles (537) and the long jump (14 - 10)

Other than Janda and Lockhart, the lone Rock to earn an individual first was junior Hannah Cavicchio, who won the 3,200-meter run in 11 56 Brittany Jones was second in the 100-meter dash (13 6) and Kaitlin Heaney was third in the 400 (1 05 9)

"Churchill has a strong team and they're going to have a very good year," said Montgomerie

The Rocks return to action Wednesday when they travel to Walled Lake Central to take on the Vikings The field events are set to begin at 3 30 p m.



State champ

Canton Wrestling Club member Donnie Watkins (top) is pictured above winning one of the matches that led to a state championship at Saturday's MYWAY wrestling tournament. Zach Blevins also won a state title for Canton, which had 21 state qualifiers. Others placing were Ben Griffin (third), Daniel Poupore (fourth), Brent Winekoff (fourth), Kiel Price (fourth), William Askew II (fifth), Rodger Kropp (fifth) and Steve Cox (sixth)

Thundering Storm Whalers drop opener of OHL semis

Even though it finished 40-24-1-3 during the regular season, it's fair to say the Guelph Storm flew under the radar during much of the Ontario Hockey League's regular season

But the Storm showed why it is a potential threat to go far in the OHL playoffs as it specialized in defeating the Plymouth Whalers, 4-1, in the opening game of the best-of-seven OHL semifinal playoff series played Friday night at the Compuware Sports Arena

Guelph built a 3-0 lead after one period on two power-play goals and a shorthanded effort, and it protected the lead the rest of the way

Matt D'Agostini led the Guelph attack with a goal and assist, and was named the game's first star Mark O'Leary also had a goal and assist for the winners, while Mike McLean added a shorthanded goal and Jason Pitton scored an empty-netter Andrew Fournier scored the lone Whaler goal - his fourth of the

playoffs - in the second period for Plymouth Ryan McDonald was solid in goal for Guelph, stopping 23-of-24 shots McDonald lowered his leagueleading goals-against playoffs average to 1 23 while raising his league-best save percentage to 951

With his team trailing 3-1, Fourmer scored at 11 44 of the second period when he capped good Plymouth pressure in the Guelph zone Defenseman Derek Merlini intercepted a Guelph clearing pass at the blue line and found Fournier at the top of the left circle Fourmer snapped the shot, top shelf, by McDonald Plymouth continued to apply pressure for the remainder of the game and pulled Peters following a timeout with 162 seconds left in the third period But Pitton picked up Ryan Parent's clearing pass on the left wing in the Plymouth zone and scored

Game 3 of the series is set for 7 30 pm Monday at the Compuware Arena. or call (734) HV-SPORT, HVS's full summer camp schedule is available on the above-listed Web site

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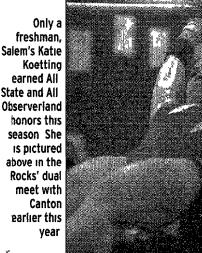
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FIRST TEAM

Andrea Pisani, Jr., Livonia: The junior overcame an earlyseason injury to post a solid season Pisani shined at the Division 1 state meet, finishing ninth on the balance beam, fourth in the floor exercise and seventh all-around

"Andrea amazed everyone the way she came back to full strength following her injury," said Livonia Unified coach Christa Hinderliter She will be the captain for her Churchill team next year, which is well-deserved "

Alyssa Kelley, Jr., Canton: The junior, who was elected by her teammates to serve as a captain next season, was a Division state champion on the vault, setting a school record of 9 75 She is a member of the Academic All-State squad and an Elite All-American

"Alyssa has had a terrific year setting the school allaround record and leading her team to a Division championship in the Western Lakes Activities Association," said Canton coach John Cunningham

Katie Koetting, Fr., Salem: Or¹y a freshman, Koetting carned All-State recognition for her Top 10 all-around finish at the Division 1 state meet

'Katie was probably our most motivated and enthusiastic gymnast," said Salem coach Dana Driscoll "She is an extremely hard worker which was great because its contagious and it rubbed off on the other girls If she could, she'd be in the gym 24/7 training"

Alyssa Supplee, Sr., Livonia: The senior enjoyed a stellar season, recording record scores on the beam (9 625) and in the all-around (37 40) She turned in an outstanding performance at the Division 1 state meet, placing ninth in the vault, fifth on the uneven bars, third on the balance beam and third all-around

'Alyssa has been an outstanding co-captain for us the past two years and helped lead the team to a 22-0 dual-meet record,' said Hinderhter'

Kate Staley, Jr., Canton Staley was an Academic All-State selection and earned All-American status this past season 'Kate had an exceptional year, setting personal bests in all her events, including a 36 775 all-around," said Cunningham 'She was voted our teams 'Most Improved Gymnast, which was a welldeserved honor"

Sarah Bugosh, Jr., Salem: The junior captain proved to be one of the Rocks steadiest performers this season She saved her best for the Division 1 Regional when she placed near the top in the all-around 'Sarah was a great leader

and motivator for us," said Salem coach Dana Driscoll She really worked hard Sarah had some setbacks early in the season, but she kept doing what she had doing what she had to do

Her best event was the beam She only fell once all

season'

Paige Albers, Sr., Livonia: A two-year co-captain, Albers sparkled at the Division 1 state meet, placing third on the vault, first on the floor and seventh all-around

'Paige really came into her element this past season," said Hinderliter "She had a record on floor with a 9 75 '

Kara Ahern, Sr., Canton: Ahern raked in several awards during her final year at Canton, including the "Semior Gymnast of the Year Award," Academic All-State honors and Ehite All-American status

"Kara has been a happy, friendly, helpful team leader who tied two school records in her career at Canton," said Cunningham

Paula Guzik, Fresh., Livonia: The first-year competitor placed fifth on the vault at the Division 1 state meet with a dazzling score of 9 525

"Paula's first year out on the team proved to be a huge success," said Hinderliter 'As the season went on, she gradually improved her skill level and realized her potential and where she fit on this team Her desire to succeed was evident at every competition I am sure you will see more good things to come from this freshman next year"

Jessie Murray, Soph., Canton: Murray, a sophomore, qualified for the Division 1 state meet in the all-around

'Jessie is right at the breakout point when she moves from the strong 36 all around



Jessica Murray Canton

2005-06 ALL-OBSERVER GYMNASTICS TEAM FIRST TEAM Andrea Pisani Jr Livonia Alyssa Kelley, Jr Canton Katie Koetting Fr Salem Alyssa Supplee Sr Livonia Kate Staley Jr Canton Sarah Bugosh Jr Salem Paige Albers Sr Livonia Kara Ahern Sr Canton Paula Guzik Fr Livonia Jessie Murray Soph Canton SECOND TEAM Laura Nomura Fr Livonia Chelsea Selden Jr Canton Katerina Kariotis Soph Salem Jordan Brodehl Soph Plymouth Megan Powers, Fr. Livonia Kaitlin Burns Jr Canton Autumn Collins Soph Salem COACH OF THE YEAR Christa Hinderliter HONORABLE MENTION Livonia. Alicia Fedrigo Kelly Tapella Plymouth Parge Tofil Wayne-Westland Danielle Haase Danielle Lawson Canton. Andrea Houdek Mina Pirzadeh Salem Brittany Youna

performer to something above and beyond," said Cunningham 'Her lively enthusiasm is a spark for the team



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PLYMOUTH 89

CANTON 48

Discus 1 Steve Paye (C) 140 feet 5 inches

2 Gerald (P) 128 11 3 Jared Panyan (P)

High jump. 1 Cam Scharchburg (P) 6 0 2

Eric Thornton (C) 5 10 3 Andy Rossow (C)

Long jump 1 LaBroderick Caldwell (P) 20

9 2 Rico Tyus (P) 19 5 50 3 Adam Somers

Pole vault 1 Ben Ambrose (P) 20 9 2 Nate

Sherwood (P) 11 6 3 Ryan Langdon (C) 10

Shot put 1 Ryan Jonik (C) 45 5 2 Shawn

Wallath Justin Huey Anthony Scaparo Sean

Dillon) 8 29 5 2 Canton (Scott Zech Josh

110 high hurdles: 1 Nate Gholston (P) 16 3

2 Tim Belcher (C) 16 6, 3 Nick Plescia (P)

BY ED WRIGHT

STAFF WRITER

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After falling into an early 6-1

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LIVONIA CHURCHILL 103 SALEM 34 **Thursday at Churchill**

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Okola paces Wildcats' win

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

Canton's girls track team saw plenty of Plymouth sprinter Stephanie Okola Thursday afternoon

More specifically, they saw plenty of Okola's back Okola placed first in the 100-

and 200-meter dashes, won the long jump and served as the catalyst on the first-place 400-meter relay team to lead the Wildcats to a season-opening 72-61 duel-meet victory over the Chiefs

The win was the first over Canton for the Plymouth girls track-and-field squad "It was our first dual meet,

PREP GIRLS TRACK

so I just told the kids to go out and see what they could do," said second-year Plymouth coach John Dunn "They were very excited running against Canton and they performed well It was a nice way to open

"I knew we had some strong sprinters and our cross-country team is coming off its best season ever, too, so we have good balance"

Canton's Becki McCormack matched Okola's effort, winning the 1,600- and 3,200meter events while anchoring the Chiefs' two distance-relay foursomes

GIRLS PREP TRACK RESULTS

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800 run 1 Kelli Bargowski (C) 2 29 91 2 Jackie Beeler (P) 2 40 41 3 Etleva Mema (P) 2 45 74

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LIVONIA CHURCHILL 93 SALEM 44

Thursday at P-CEP Varsity Stadium Shot put 1 Kyndra Abron (LC) 32 11 2 Kailee Hobbins (LC) 29 10 3 Nicole Bergeski (LC)

26 5 50 Discus. 1 Lauren Krupsky (LC) 91 10 2 Kyndra Abron (LC) 88 7 3 Nicole Bergeski (LC) 85 1 Pole vault 1 Kristin Zgorecki (LC) 91 2 Jackie Demers (LC) 8 8 3 Erin Grai (LC) 7 2 High jump 1 Jackie Gribeck (LC) 4 10 2 Kristin Zgorecki (LC) 4 10 3 Emily Schifano

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I saw a lot of things that I

hked today," said first-year Canton coach Chris Imber, who once served as an assis-

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were at every one of our off-

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She was one of the girls who

Plymouth's Brittany Petty was a two-time visitor to the winner's circle, finishing first-

in the 100 high hurdles (18 92)

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suffered the loss for Stevenson after he came in to relieve in the top of the seventh Canton's Justin Latin continued his torrid hitting, going 3for-4, including a home run to lead-off the game, and a double

SECULIE STRONG

Paden went 2-for-4 Trailing 6-1, the Chiefs pushed across a run without the aid of a hit in the fourth when senior outfielder Shawn Little reached on an error, stole second and went to third on a passed ball

Canton edges Spartans with rally Little then scored on Jon Puskar's fielder's choice

Canton's seventh-inning rally started with junior outfielder Brad Barath's one-out walk. Latin followed with a double and Little ripped a single to score Barath

After senior catcher Tarek Khasawneh belted an RBI single to make it 6-4, junior outfielder Kyle Gring walked and Puskar plated Little with a fielders choice Paden then laced his two-run single

Junior right-hander Corey Lewis started on the mound for the Chiefs, yielding five earned runs in three innings

W1 NORTHERN 6 PLYMOUTH 4 On Wednesday Northerns Rob Murphy drilled a two run opposite field home run in the bottom of the fifth to break a 3-3 tie and lead the Knights to a WLAA victory at Plymouth The game was originally scheduled

to be played at Northern, but it was switched to Plymouth due to unplayable conditions in Walled Lake

Trailing 6 3 the Wildcats mounted a comeback in the top of the seventh however Tyler Locklear lined out hard to left center field with the tying run on second base Ryan Valle and Kyle Feldscher both paced the Wildcats seven hit attack with doubles Murphy Chris Skalski and Craig Waldie had two hits a piece for the winners

CANTON AGAPE 6. FRANKLIN ROAD 2 Senior Kyle Miller did it all for the Wolverines crushing a long home run and pitching seven strong innings to lead his team to a 2 0 mark Miller who finished 2 for 4 with three RBI at the plate yielded two first inning runs before settling down and stifling Franklin Road over the final six innings. He gave up eight hits and two walks while striking out seven

Kyle gave up a couple of runs in the first mning then he started throwing harder said Agape coach Scott Lewald 'We made some nice defensive plays too The ball seemed to bounce our way today

FRANKLIN 19, SALEM 6 Senior catcher D J Tracy went 4 for-5 with three RBI to lead a 17 hit attack Wednesday as Livonia Franklin (2 2) scored 10 times in the seventh inning to spoil Salems season opener

Curtis Ebbitt doubled twice and scored four times for the Patriots Andrew Havnie added two hits including a solo homer and four RBI Jesse Carpenter Drew Thompson and Matt Lee added two hits apiece Josh Ritter went 2-for-4 with three

RBI for the Rocks (0 1) Ryan Rowe added two hits

PLYMOUTH 72 **CANTON 61** Thursday at P-CEP West Track Shot put 1 Alyssa Scalera (C) 29 5 2 Ashley

McClellan (C) 26 9 3 Danielle McCleay (P) 24 5 Discus. 1 Ashlev McClellan (C) 86 9 2 Alyssa

Scalera (C) 71 9 3 Laura Schultz (P) 671 Pole vault. 1 Nicole Ambrose (P) 6 0 High jump 1 Brittany Petty (P) 51 2 Izabela Paskowska (C) 4 11 3 Shaakira Haywood (P)

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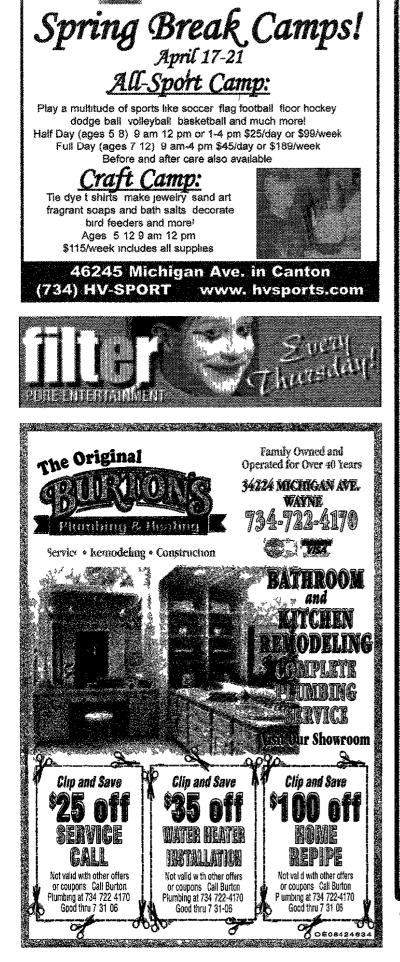
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Wildcat start strong with pair of victories

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth softball teams season opener was delayed one day — from Monday to Tuesday — due to rainy weather

The way things turned out, it was worth the wait

The Wildcats picked up where they left off last season with a pair of first-week victories On Tuesday they edged

Pair of Canton hurlers combine for 2-hitter

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WR TER

Many of the names have change, but the early season results are familiar for Canton s softball team

The Chiefs, who are coming off a 36-2 season, opened the 2006 campaign with a 2 0 vic tory over Livonia Stevenson Wednesday afternoon Starter Sarah Anthony and reliever Hilary Payne combined on a four-hitter for the Chiefs who scored single runs in the first and third innings

Anthony earned the win by working the first 4 3 innings, striking out four, walking one and yielding two hits Payne was credited with the save after whiffing four in 2 6 innings of work

Canton s offense was led by Rachel Beaudoin and Stephanie Sadek, both of whom went 2-for-3 Junior shortstop Lauren Delapaz knocked in Beaudoin with a single in the first Allysia Johnson added an insurance run when she crossed the plate on a wild pitch

"I thought we played really well for the first game, said Canton coach Jim Arnold 'We only had one error and we did n't strike out once Overall, the girls did a fantastic job '

Anthony and Payne held Stevenson star slugger Roya St Clair in check The talented catcher has accepted a softball scholarship to the University of Michigan

Ann Arbor Huron, 5 2 before turning back Walled Lake Northern, 8-1, on Wednesday

It was very exciting to see how the girls jelled right from the get go, said Plymouth coach Val Canfield

Junior right-handed pitcher Claire Ostrowski, who went 25-10 as a sophomore, pitched complete games in both wins She allowed four hits and four walks while striking out seven against the River Rats On Wednesday, she whiffed nine and permitted only four hits and two bases on balls

Claire struggled with her control a little bit on Tuesday, but she was extra tough against Northern, said Canfield

After Huron knotted the opener at 2-2 in the top of the sixth, the Wildcats sealed the win with three sixth-inning runs Plymouth, which banged out nine hits, was led at the plate by junior shortstop Kim Klonowski (3 for-3, two doubles, RBI) and Ostrowski (2for-3, RBI)

It was all Plymouth in the nightcap as the Wildcats posted four runs in the fourth and single markers in the first, third, fifth and sixth innings to run away with the triumph Junior catcher Madison

Dresser ripped a pair of triples, Klonowski stayed hot, going 2for-4, Melissa Butzow added an RBI double and Danielle Bondy contributed a two-run single in the big fourth inning Plymouth outhit their visi-

tors, 7-4 FRANKLIN 5 SALEM 4 Linda

FRANKLIN 5 SALEM 4 Landa Jumenez couldn t hold her excite ment following Lavonia Franklins 5 4 extra inning girls softball win Wednesday at home over Salem

"We played with toughness and determination three times we were down by one run and battled back said the Franklin coach whose team improved to 5-0 overall Down 4 3 after the Rocks scored in the top of the eight Franklin loaded the bases with one out in the bottom half of the inning when Becky Garbutt reached first on a infield error followed by a walk to Allison Bonsall and a single by Natalie Sanborn Garbutt then scored the game tying run on an infield error and Heather Jaroh ripped a singled between short and third to score Sanborn

Salem pitchers Courtney Davis and Melissa Leach combined to strike out two They allowed six hits and walked two The Rocks commit

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THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BASEBALL

Monday April 10 Salem at WL Central 4 p m WL Western at Plym - 14 p n Wayne Memorial at C fon 4 p m Tuesday Ap PCA at Baptist Park 430 p m Wednesday, April 12 Salem at Canton 4 p m WL Central at Plymouth 4 p m Thursday April 13 Swartz Creek at Canton (DH) 4 p m Inter City Baptist at PCA 430 p m PRÉP SOFTBALL Monday April 10 WL Central at S m 4 p m Plymouth at WL Western 4 p m Canton at Wayne Memorial 4 p m Tuesday April 11 Bethesda at PCA 4 30 p m Wednesday April 12 Salem at Allen Park 4 p m Plymouth at W L Central 4 p m Thursday April 13 South Lyon at Salem 4 p m Allen Park at Canton 4 p m PCA at Franklin Road 4 30 p m **GIRLS TRACK & FIELD** Tuesday April 11 Livonia Franklin at Plymouth 5 30 p m Wednesday, April 12 Salem at WL. Central 3 30 p m WL Western at Canton 3 30 p m **BOYS TRACK & FIELD** Tuesday April 11 Plymouth at Livonia Franklin 3 45 p m Canton at WL Western 4 p m Saturday, April 15 **Plymouth and Canton at** Dearborn Elks Relays 9 a m Wednesday April 12 WL Central at Salem 5 30 p m GIRLS SOCCER Monday April 10 Livonia Churchill at Salem 7 p m Westland John Glenn at Plymouth 7 p m Canto at WL Central 7 p m Tuesday April 1 Plymouth at WL Northern 7 pm Southfield Christian at PCA 4 30 p m Wednesday, April 12 Salem at Westland John Glenn 4 p m Livonia Franklin at Canton 7 pm Thursday April 13 Bethesda at PCA 4 30 p m **BOYS TENNIS** Monday, April 10 Livonia Churchill at Salem 4 p m Westland John Glenn at Plymouth 4 p m Canton at WL Central 4 p m Wednesday April 12 Salem at Westland John Glenn 4 p m Plymouth at WL Northern 4 p m Livonia Franklin at Canton 4 p m **GIRLS GOLF** Monday April 10 Salem at Canton at Hilltop G C 3 p m Plymouth at WL Central at Edgewood C C 3 p m Wednesday, April 12 W L Central at Salem at St Johns GC 3 pm Livonia Churchill at Plymouth at Hickory Creek G C 3 p m Canton at WL Western at Links of Pinewood 3 p m





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WOMEN SEEKING MEN

TRY ME! Attractive SWF 49 I enjoy movies dining skiing and skating Seeking an attractive SWM 45-55 who enjoys most activities 2869847

ANYTHING FOR FUN SBF 39 55 N/S looking for SBM 38 47 N/S who is spiritual and has an extreme fondness for having fun \$718260

LOOKING FOR LOVE SBF 45 v vacious N/S loves

dancing fitness theater dining out quiet romantic evenings. Seeking a loving good hearted man who appreciates the same 2934797

SEXY REDHEAD/GREAT LEGS soulmate sincere great SOH See

GOOD LOOKER

Positive caring easygoing SBPF 53 (looks younger) N/S not into bars enjoys jazz old-school music and fun times Seeking special secure man 48 60 N/S for laughter good times and LTR \$725001

SOULMATE SEARCH

Slim attractive 57 yr-old JF looking for her soulmate any sincere suc cessful JM between the ages of 54 64 please respond 2589875 **ARE YOU ROMANTIC?**

SWF 61 N/S is looking for chemistry and compatibility with secure emotionally available WM 48 60 N/S who can dance (or will learn how to) 2898106

🕷 FORMER MODEL

SWF, 50 5.6 slender intelligence creativity passion for music and dancing Seeks partner 38-50 who is attractive and fit to share this interests and more 2600106

SOMEONE SPECIAL Fun loving attractive SWF 70 5'5 135lbs blonde retired N/S seeks well-groomed WM 65 72 N/S to share life romance and possible relationship 2891247

HAPPY & SECURE DCF 68 52' long dark brown/b rown N/S N/D with positive attitude enjoys leisurely drives movies and dining out Seeking man 58-75 for LTR 669606

KIND HEART

Full figured SF 55 enjoys dancing and all types of music likes working with animals seeks good natured single man 44 60 27742466 LOVING LEO

Widowed WPF 53 59 brown/ brown N/S nursing home activities coordinator enjoys boating swimming and Michigan State football games Seeking WM 50-62 with similar interests 2759316

SF 65 looks 55 52 unique bright w/many talents and inter ests I m well traveled very attractive health conscious How about you? Seeking non-smoking coun-terpart 62 70 2633527

full figured 49 55 56 N/S social drinker ok who puts **2861408**

SEEKING COMPANIONSHIP Loving attractive SWCF 74 trim fun N/D N/S homebody type seeks lasting friendship and happi ness with a quality gentleman in his 70s Lets talk! \$794040

OLD ENTREPRENEUR

kind compassionate lots of fun looking for her knight in shining armor Any sincere caucasian gentlemen 55-80 please respond Hopefully well be each others soul

Ready to meet great new people?

NICE GUY

ISO MR RIGHT

SBF 25 53 mother of one open

minded and fun to be around

Seeking a single male 28 36 who

is ready to settle down and enjoy life 2932247

CHEER ON THE HOME TEAM

Widowed WJF 56 N/S loves life

cruising walking reading con-certs football baseball and bas

ketball Seeking adventurous WM

I LISTEN WITH MY HEART

Attractive DWF late 40s Cancel

N/S seeks special no games WM

45+ N/S for caring quality commit-

ted relationship Lets create sparks

MEN SEEKING WOMEN

ROMANTIC BUT REALISTIC Youthful easygoing SWM 46 likes movies concerts boating Seeking

attractive SWF 40s 50s with a live-

ly spirit good sense of humor

friendly positive outlook 2642092

HAPPY DAD

Single father of three 37 loves

family outdoors biking barbecues

cooking and more Looking for a lovely WF 30-45 to share happi

SENSE OF HUMOR

SWM 42 6 blue eyes smoker

with daughter (14) loves blke rid-

ing reading rock and symphony

music Seeking WF 30-42 smoker

to share quiet evenings for LTR

KIND, HONEST, SINCERE

DWM 37 63 brown/brown tele marketer with son (13) N/S loves

traveling hiking camping swim ming Seeking woman 30-40 to join me 19948259

HELLO

SBM 41 Cancer N/S works 2 jobs loves movies picnics jogging Seeking BF 25-40 N/S with big legs who won t break my heart 12949316

MUSCULAR GUY

SWM 46 62 209lbs brown/blue

college grad enjoys working read-

ing travel dancing sports Seeking outgoing SF with similar interests for friendship and more **क**431926

ONE-ON-ONE TIME

DWM medium build Oakland

County enjoys comedies walks

quiet times Seeking medium to full-figured woman 30-50 affectionate

romantic casual dresser 2278513

SWM 42 510 185lbs brown/

brown enjoys boating dining out

dancing pool bowling darts Seeking a SW/HF 25 52 who is

STRAIGHT UP, LOW-KEY

Easygoing cute SWM 40s not into loud noise and big crowds

enjoys art wine tastings charity seeks similar-minded lady for

friendship maybe more 2548455

LIFE'S A CABARET

Classy romantic intelligent SWM

50 well traveled with good taste

seeks a special caring friendly lady 36 55 Lets share life rom

OUTDOORSY KINDA GUY

ance and laughter 2480718

interested in a LTR 2914372

A BIT ABOUT ME

2947720

ness and life with 2715711

and watch them fly 2639272

55 66 N/S 2938734

SWM 66 5.6 150lbs manufacturers representative Libra N/S works out enjoys movies restaurants and summer festivals Seek ing SWF 50 65 N/S Shirley please call back \$708126

EASY ON THE EYES Well maintained SWM 56 who enjoys keeping in touch with current events heart to heart talks and silly conversations Let's meet over coffee and see what develops 2259844

HOPE TO HEAR FROM YOU Independent self sufficient DWM 45 sturdy build carpenter sociable affectionate likes boating walks drives cycling cooking Seeking a special lady to share the good things in life 2855207

HERE I AM

Good-looking SM 36 N/S N/D good-humored likes romance music movies biking Seeking fit fun honest SF 24 42 for friend-ship possible LTR 2937190

THE MEANING OF LIFE Attractive multiracial (British and Indian) SPM 37 165lbs fit N/S world traveler enjoys sports theater Seeking intelligent with woman 19-35 fit slim race open 2941160

NO DRAMA HERE

SWM 41 62 230lbs with daughter (17) occasional smoker loves grilled-cooked dishes camping and listening to Rush Seeking WF 33-45 smoker for LTR 2941236

MY 411

Sexy SBM 39 63 230lbs very attractive Scorpio N/S truck driver seeks a beautiful woman 21-40 N/S 5939685

ALONE TOO LONG?

Me too Male 38 59 160lbs Virgo N/S enjoys music movies sports Seeking AF 30-45 N/S, who enjoys movies music and sports 2940640

ATTRACTIVE MALE

WM 64 195lbs enjoys scuba diving travel family more Looking for an honest WF 25 38 who is mature confident affectionate outgoing and easy to talk to 2942547 NOT ALL THE GOOD ONES.

are taken SBM 34 6 185lbs athletic build very attractive Leo N/S D/D free no kids no drama seeks older sophisticated attractive WF 40 55 game-free 2945644

ALL-AMERICAN GUY SWM 24 58 brown/green Leo N/S hard working enjoys clubbing playing pool Seeking a cool WF 20-26 N/S to hang out with **2**945680

SPRING & SUMMER...

just around the corner SBM 26 61 185lbs clean-cut downto earth Leo smoker seeks woman 18 43 to share quality time with 2944431

LET'S DANCE

SBM 50 57 180lbs N/S fun loving personality likes ballroom danc ng quiet times traveling Seeking active SF 28 45 sim to medium build race unimportant kids ok for friendship or more No games **294641**7

LOOKING FOR YOU

SBM 23 59 240lbs solid build

TRY ME SBM 18 61 hazel eyes light complexion dimples looking for at cool genuine level-headed femále to share good times good talks, friendship and more 2938647

IN THIS BOX, YOU HAVE .. IN THIS BOX, YOU HAVE .. 177 a good looking well-built SBM 33, 63 baid goatee safe sane D/D 63 free N/S seeks sexy good-looking woman 35-70 2940135

LET'S GO OUT

SWM 24 55 medium build hazel? eyes Gemini smoker self sufficient works at a steel factory loves camping Seeking WF 18-30, smoker 2940524

ROMANTICIST

SBPM 50 6 athletic build salt-npepper hair and mustache Libra N/S 10ves cooking, arts and crafts and museums Seeking classym trustworthy humorous BF 40-61, N/S 12939188

WORTH THE CHANCE Attractive DWM, 31 6' light brown/green, lean build, independ-ent, enjoys outdoors nights out, of just cuddling on the couch Seeking a good friend to possibly developta. relationship with 20-35 2942424

VERY CUTE SWM 22 59 135lbs clean-cut smoker works in construction, loves rock and rap music comedy, and scary movies Seeking WF 18-27 smoker for LTR 2943868

POSITIVE PERSONALITY Attractive romantic engineer Asiant American male light complexion 54 58 148lbs fit financially secure caring fun loving, seeks W/H/A/F 40-55 for friendship maybe more \$\$514300

KIND, HANDSOME TEACHER SWPM 53 6, 220lbs light smoker social drinker, looking for one good woman Please call Troy area **3864792**

LIFE IS TOO SHORT ..

not to share it with someone SWM 50 Italian descent Scorpio N/S no children, seeks WF, 46-55 to connect with 2935694

TRY ME

SBM 32 511 200lbs attractive fun seeks goal-oriented and sincere who knows how to enjoy life **2**934603

INTERESTED

SBM 20 55 dark complexion likes hanging with friends the outdoors movies and more Looking for a level-headed fun SF not into games to share good times friends 2936039

SWM DESIRES SBF

Call me if you desire a nice shape blue eyed blonde 50-year-old 180lbs Desires one on one for friendship and definitely romance **2777324**

AWAITING YOUR CALL

76 year old retired attorney would like to meet a lady 60 65 to share dinners talks simple times 2945823 **NEW DREAM TEAM?**

Spend some time with this bright enthusiastic optimistic yet realistic SWM who is looking for a nice gal 40s or 50s 2550046

MIDDLE-AGED MELLOW Open-minded fairly articulate somewhat intelligent SWM 51 Open-minded articulate enjoys talks and walks pets reading etc Seeking SWF companion **T**114862



GREAT COMPANION

LET'S LAUGH TOGETHER SWF brown/brown romantic lovable humorous likes entertaining travel-ing family time Seeking SM 40 God first in his life for possible LTR

SHALL WE DANCE?

I am a SBF 58 53 170lbs attrac tive intelligent creative articulate seeks SWM 57 73 who is kindhearted articulate who enjoys dancing walking traveling movies dining out 2812098

59 YEARS

Pretty charming SWF successful

DWF 54 142lbs 56 enjoys blues animals gardening homeowner no kids Seeking SM 5 10 + N/S social drinker for LTR 2548938

PRETTY AND FRIENDLY Separated WF 34 59 180lbs

romantic short blonde/blue likes to work out laughter movies dining out Seeking tall man 32-43 race unimportant great SOH outgoing motivated for friendship maybe more \$779775

ASIAN MAN WANTED

Pretty blue eyed blonde 55 plus sized warm and bright seeks intel ligent handsome man for dating Troy area 2827007

ONE GOOD WOMAN

BBW SWF attractive compassionate down to-earth Enjoys movies comedies long walks romantic evenings and more Seeking employed SM 38-55 to do and share things together Must like pets 2947175

ENJOYS THE SIMPLE THINGS Attractive DBF early 60s feels much younger N/S loves music and danc ing stays physically active would like to hear from friendly honest man 56-68 N/S 2672174

SEEKING COMPANION

SWF 42 queen sized outgoing enjoys walks music life open to new ideas Looking for SM who wants to do things together Must be employed and like pets 2909140

PETITE & SEXY

SBF sensitive affectionate loving 51 looks 35 51 105lbs NS Seeking healthy SBM 510"-61 to work out with 2912553

ľM A .. sexy SBF 40 54 187lbs Sag ittarius smoker works out Seeking honest hard working tall BM 30

50 smoker for friendship possibly more 2938706 CALLING ALL CYCLISTS SF a young 44 nice looking in

great shape seeks athletic man 25-55 for cycling hiking outdoor activities 2945242

king gentleman 35-50 no game players 2930545

MARRIAGE MINDED

SPRING IS HERE

Spring is here summer near So

much to see so much to do Would

like to do them together with you

FRIENDS FIRST

SBF 37 56 black/brown easygo-

ing Aries N/S enjoys bike riding

long walks travel and cooking Seeking WM 30 50 N/S for fun

ISO GOOD FRIEND?

Possible relationship? Read on

SWF 47 N/S enjoys cooking din

ing and traveling Seeking honest WM 42 57 N/S 28857253

SOULMATE SEARCH

Attractive 42-year old looking for

ing out art museums plays read

Just 80 2962340

2933970

Nice looking warm-hearted sin-cere 37 employed Looking for the same qualities in a single male 35-43 2940077

A GOOD & TRUE FRIEND Share with this DBCF65 N/S hon est fun enjoy outgoings breakfast lunch dinners? conversation good old school down-to earth friend ship sincerity 2905535

LET S ENJOY LIFE SWF 57 N/S seeks intelligent kind-hearted young at heart WM 57-68 N/S who enjoys traveling camping boating (Great Lakes or ocean) music book stores and laughter 2759907

LOOKING FOR FUN SBF 47 desires to meet independ ent man 50-60 for lots of fun You must know how to treat a lady All calls answered \$\$807166

REALISTIC

SBF 26 4 11 average build Virgo smoker seeks drama-free fun BM 22-29 smoker for friendship possible romance 2939308

SEXY

SBF 18 Taurus N/S seeks a reserved HM 18 20 N/S who loves hiking fishing movies dining out 73945821

LOOKING FOR ME?

SWF 56' 130lbs 64 great SOH N/S enjoys life dining dancing holding hands music boating quiet times etc Seeking a SW/HM N/S sincere and humorous 2901378

BROWN SUGAR AND SPICE SF 47 years young 55" very out going loves family fun life Would like to spend time with someone 40-60 who loves jazz concerts movies dinners weekend get aways 2208051

COULD YOU BE MR RIGHT? Are you a big tall handsome man? DWF 47 very attractive loving fun seeks SWM to share life together **a**443339

mates 592074 JERSEY TRANSPLANT SWF 50 slender blonde Virgo N/S enjoys foreign travel wine tasting and working out Seeking WM 40 53 N/S for LTR 2885454

LOVES BOATING

SWF 65 56 Aries N/S loves SBM 28 58 160lbs independdancing and dining out Seeking WM 60-71 N/S with sense of humor for friendship possible romance 2890004

REFINED AND FULL OF LIFE Very attractive blonde fit energetic and happy professionally em-ployed very youthful 60s 53 trim and shapely enjoys dining travel dancing theater family and friends Seeking honest handsome fit 55+ college grad N/S with youth ful passion for life Serious replies only 2652360

A GOOD FRIEND

SWF 57 full figured 54 likes movies dancing good company Seeking a nice guy to enjoys a friends first relationship 2916193

ARE YOU THE ONE?

SF 24 mother brown/brown 54 likes skating skiing dancing dining out good talks lifes simple pleasures Seeking compatible caring SM to enjoy the good times friend ship and possible LTR 2920771

NATURAL BBW SBF 32 55 2401bs N/S N/D N/kids employed Seeking a SM 18-60 who is open-minded N/S N/kids and can appreciate a strong woman 2924352

LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL

Attractive SWF 50s 57 125lbs loves all life animals arts family nature spirituality Masters helping professional Seeking big hearted financially/emotionally secure intelligent DPM 48-68 for fun friendship depth etc 2892242

DWM 64 511 190lbs self-employed N/S, socially drinker great SOH I am looking for the right lady to spend time with get to know and maybe develop a lasting relationship 2891796

A BIT ABOUT ME

SBM 34 510 170lbs employed sexy nice person with a good heart Seeking a SBF 25 27 who enjoys shooting pool travel and much more 27946734

ISO NEW FRIENDS

ent self-sufficient Libra smoker seeks honest mature woman 18 31 If you like what you hear give me a shout 2948971

GREAT LISTNER

SBM 19 6 soul searching eyes pretty smile dimples clear skin full lips Taurus smoker eniovs rainv days beaches shopping and playing football Seeking sexy woman 18 23 2947819

HOW ABOUT ME?

Caring SWM 35 looking for a nice woman with a big heart and warm smile to share the special moments in life 2938379

GOT WIT?

DBM late 40s homeowner N/S loves traveling taking part in community events jazz and comedy clubs Seeking WF 42 52 smoker responsible drinker ok not afraid to

SEEKING LITTLE LADY SBPM 57 great SOH enjoys movies and cooking Seeking a short female 4 56 for romance possibly long-term relationship

ANY INTEREST?

AGE IS JUST A NUMBER Mature attractive lady sought by handsome WM 42 brown/blue active homeowner Interested range from outdoors to movies to dining and dancing 2683230

outgoing open-minded Looking love Looking to meet a SF 21-40 who is independent likes to try different things and is open minded **2946749**

COULD IT BE YOU?

SWM 40s 6 175lbs, N/S homeowner auto worker easygoing, honest and secure enjoys hunting Harleys and the outdoors Seeking attractive slim/fit woman 30 50 N/S D/D-free comfortable in high heels tennis shoes 2798519

MUSCULAR AND ATHLETIC SWM 46 62 209lbs brown/blue, degreed outgoing personality enjoys outdoors workout new activities seeks friendly SF age/ location open 2531308

TRUE GENTLEMAN

SBM 52 58 185lbs looking for a medium to full-figured SBF 46-54 Someone who is worldly nice, loves to laugh and just enjoying life to the fullest 2912726

SERIOUS WOMAN WANTED

SBM 46 looking for that special persona for LTR, someone who enjoys walks movies sporting events cuddling at home Please be shapely independent and know what you want in life 2692418

GOOD SPORT ISO SAME SWM 30.61 225/bs brown/blue Virgo, N/S likes dancing sports and playing softball Seeking WF, 23-32 who likes sports 2943734

TAKE A CHANCE

SM 25 college-graduate employ ed active looking for a nice girl to share good times talks friendship and fun 2936061

LOOKING FOR YOU

SBM 58 father looking for a loving affectionate polite good-natured, classy intelligent lady race open N/D N/S D/D-free to share happiness 2935752

WHY NOT CALL?

SBM 24 64 well-built 205lbs likes sports time with friends Seeking a cool genuine lady 30 35 to share the good things in life friendship first 2937972

PICK A WINNER

SWM 50 attractive healthy looking youthful light-hearted enjoys doing fun things and going to inter esting places Seeking lady to spend time with 2730508

CUTE & CUDDLY

Nice SWM 50s, with wisdom with and warmth can be fun charming, helpful and who knows what else would like to meet a nice lady and see what develops \$\$478746

SECURE

WM 58 tall slim good-looking, would like to meet a nice sweet, kind woman to go out with and see what happens from there **2**828139

SIMPLE REQUEST

WM 59 5'8 170lbs dark/blue looking for an attractive woman to go out and have a good time with Age open 27833911

LET'S BE FREE TOGETHER SBM 6 220lbs physically fit retired well-educated I would like to meet a single female 52 62 who is understanding loving and caring for a LTR 2869189

A SPECIAL GUY DWM 56 510 handsome and secure seeks honest S/DWF w/sense of humor who enjoys travel candlelight dinners plays dancing concerts boating and movies Friendship possible LTR **2**269646

LONELY & READY

SWM 49 Italian heart of gold Virgo N/S seeks WF, 45-55 with a nice build ready for LTR Senous replies only 2860305

HELLO OUT THERE

SBM 32 59", light complexion honest affectionate seeks attractive woman to share good times good talks, day trips and simple fun Friendship first 2934910

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maybe more 2947366

SBM 43 510 185lbs D/Dfree drama free in great shape Seeking a single female 40-60 age/race open for laughter fun time and

age/race open 2947184

take a chance 2883266



FROM PAGE BI

The Park's heart will still be able to pass a stress test if the three current AD's are forced to exit, but there will be a lot more htifting and puffing than there is now

As of Friday night, negotiations were still under way that will determine the employment fate of the three P-CEP AD's Tom Willette (Salem), Sue Heinzman (Canton) and Terry Sawchuk (Plymouth) Superintendent Jim Ryan told me the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education is deterinnaed to have the matter settled by Spring Break, which begins next week

The best-case scenario for the hundreds of athletes, coaches and parents involved in athletics at the Park would unfold if the AD's can negotiate a minimal salary reduction and retain their jobs

Granted, it wouldn't necessafily be a fair scenario for Willette, Heinzman and Sawchuk, who would retain the same number of responsibilities for a lower wage, but it would avoid the potential chaos that would exist if an all-new group of athletics administrators are brought in

If the negotiations fall through and the current AD's leave, there are a number of potential options for the members of the Board to consider

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One plan would have the athletic directors' duties passed on to an assistant principal at each of the three schools The new building AD's would then report to a districtivide athletic director

Another plan would include the hiring of two new athletic directors — one to oversee the boys' programs and one to run the girls' teams

According to several coaches I've talked to, any plan but the status quo would dump more time-restricting duties on the coaches' shoulders and take away from their all-important game-preparation and teammanagement time

WORTH THE SAVINGS?

If the Park's athletics administration is re-structured, the school district would save money, but the savings will be at the expense of the athletic programs, which have enjoyed incredible success over the past several years in large part to the often thankless, behind-thescenes work of Heinzman, Willette and Sawchuk, who, combined, bring more than 30 years of athletics administration experience to their jobs

I don't envy the members of the Board Due to relentless state cuts, they're working with a budget that is tighter than a pair of over-washed polyester pants

And while I respect their judgment and decision-making skills, I worry about the consequences if the final product of

PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY PUBLIC NOTICE

The Plymouth District Library Board will hold its REGULAR April meeting Tuesday, April 18, 2006 at 7 30 p m at 223 S Main Street Plymouth, Michigan 48170

The Plymouth District Library will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tape of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon seven (7) days notice to the Plymouth District Library Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Plymouth District Library by writing or calling the following

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the \$30,000 annual savings is an entirely new P-CEP athletics department administrative staff

If the plan goes through, i'm sure the positions will be filled by intelligent, competent individuals, but there's no way the three current athletic directors' vast knowledge of day-to-day athletics operations can be sufficiently replaced

ALL-ENCOMPASSING JOB

When the P-CEP athletic directors salaries were made public two years ago, cynics cringed and argued that they were overpaid, especially during a time of belt-tightening cuts

However, after observing the athletic directors' often-stressful, never-relenting duties the past two years, I realize how wrong these skeptics were On a typical day during the

school year, Sawchuk, Heinzman and Willette pull into their parking spaces as the sun rises and don't leave until long after it sets

During the hours in between, they serve as arbitrators for player-coach and coach-parent conflicts, as bosses for as many as 24 coaches, as sounding

boards for players, coaches and parents, as suppliers who are in charge of making sure all of their teams are stocked with sufficient equipment, as accountants, who make sure their school's numbers add up for the district's pay-to-play polıcy, as transportation specialists, who make sure there is a bus available for each team's away games, and as schedulers of hundreds of games - a task that (especially in the raindrenched spring) could be considered a full-time job by itself And this list only scratches

the surface They hire, they fire, they catch grief if one of their school's high-profile teams is considered to be underachieving

Yes, they're well-paid But like the commercial says, *they eeaarrnn it*

Maintaining a healthy heart isn t always easy and it isn't always cheap

Let's hope the decision-makers realize this before they lose three of the district's most valuable resources

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Plymouth Twp. PD 734-453-3869 NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit Bids for the Moving of West Middle School and Farrand, Fiegel, Gallimore, Isbister, and Miller Elementary Schools

Bidding documents may be picked up at the office of the Construction Manager McCarthy & Smith, Inc., 24317 Indoplex Circle, Farmington Hills, MI 48335 on April 5 2005 Bids will be received until <u>1:30 PM.</u>, local time on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>April 20, 2006</u> at which time they will be opened and read publicly at the Plymouth Canton Community School E J McClendon Educational Center 454 S Harvey Plymouth Michigan 48170 Bids received after this time and date will be returned Faxed proposals will not be accepted

Bids are to be submitted in a sealed envelope supplied by McCarthy & Smith Inc There will be a mandatory **Pre-Bid Meeting on Tuesday, April 11, 2005 @ 2 15 p m** in the West Middle School construction project trailer located at 44401 W Ann Arbor Trail Plymouth MI 48170 Questions regarding the scope of the project may be addressed to Mr Doug Underwood of McCarthy & Smith Inc at (248) 427 8400 Plymouth Canton Community Schools reserves the right to reject any or all bids received and to waive any informalities and irregularities in the bidding documents This

PCS lacrosse squad wins opener against Ypsilanti

The Plymouth-Canton-Salem boys lacrosse team got off to a roaring start Thursday with a 17-1 demolition of Ypsilanti

The Warriors (1-0), who led 12-0 at the half, outplayed the Braves in every phase of the game, out-shooting their hosts 46-6 and winning 19-of-21 face-offs

"Chris Sorensen, our goalie, and our entire defense did a good job of moving the ball out of our own end," said PCS coach Mike Costello "John Savino did a lot of little things that don't show up in the scorebook.'

Savino and Jared Ruark both won all seven of their face-offs Ruark also had an outstanding offensive game, recording three goals and three assists Other multi-goal scorers for the winners were Devin Murphy (three) and Mitch French, Joey Underwood, Johnny Groat and Nick Cote, all of whom found the back of the net twice Groat also added a pair of assists

Scoring single goals were Ryan Gubert, Josh Shifferd and Alex Caryl

Cote, Nick Thompson, Gubert, Savino, Ben Feeley, French, Caryl and Pat Goulet all registered one assist

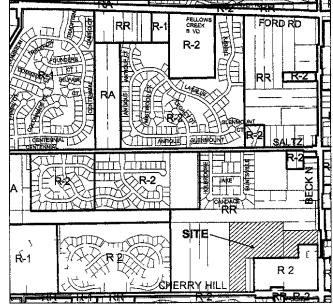
Ken Herzfeld led the Warriors with eight ground balls The Warriors' homeopener is set for Tuesday when they host Northville at 8 p m at the P-CEP junior varsity football field

PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON WAYNE COUNTY MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan as amended and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, May 1 2006 in the *First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 700 pm.* on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance

KAILAS PROPERTY REZONING CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NOS 068 99 0007 002 068 99 0011 704 FROM RR, RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO R 2, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL Property 1s located north of Cherry Hill Road and west of Beck Road



SECTION 17

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Clerk's Office will conduct a Public Accuracy Test of the Optical Scan tabulating equipment to be used for the School Election on Tuesday May 2, 2006 The test will take place on Friday April 21st 2006 at 3 00 pm in the Commission Chambers City Hall 201 S Main Street Plymouth, MI 48170

This test is open to all interested parties City Hall is in compliance with the American Disabilities Act and is handicapped accessible For further information contact the Clerk's Office at 734 453 1234, ext 234

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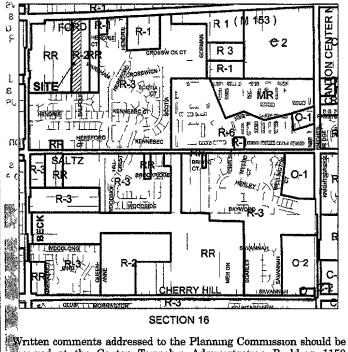
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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON WAYNE COUNTY MICHIGAN

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LABANA FAMILY REZONING CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO 062 99 0010 000 FROM TO R 2 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO R-3 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL property is located south of Ford Road and east of Beck Road



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project is to be bid at the prevailing wage rate

The bidder shall disclose any familial relationship as required by the State of Michigan on the proposal pricing form. This form must also be signed and notarized in order for the bid to be accepted.

> Board of Education Plymouth Canton Community Schools JOANNE LAMAR Secretary

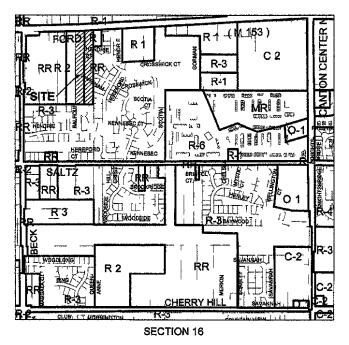
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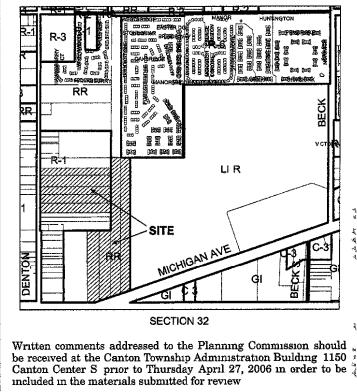
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LOCAL SPORTS

Crusaders sweep Tiffin, brace for weekend set with St. Xavier

BY TIM SMITH STAFF WR TER

It s conference by week for Madonna University s baseball team But unlike in the past, head coach Greg Haeger made sure to schedulc tough oppo hents instead of weaker squads, to help the Crusaders continue to gear up for post season play

On Thursday, Madonna (12-14-1) swept a very good Tiffin University (12-19) team at Ihtch Ballpark, by scores of 10-6 and 9 8 Next for the Crusaders, however, are backto-back twinbills against a preseason hopeful for the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics World Series – No 12-ranked St Xavier

Those doubleheaders were set for 1 p m Saturday and Sunday, both at Ilitch Ballpark

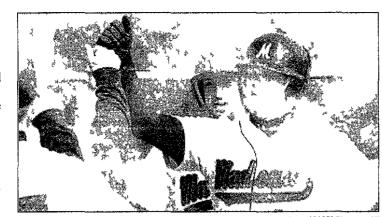
"We're bringing in St Xavier, which is a very good baseball team, said Haeger "They're a perennial team for the World Series It's a good matchup

St Xavier, however, is off to à 10-20 overall start

'There s one or two ways you can go in your (conference) bye week, Haeger explained "You can either schedule patsies and get four more wins or bring a great team in and help prepare for the postseason We ve chosen, as our schedule's indicated all year, to pre pare for the postseason and bring the best teams in that we can play

Thursdays wins over Tiffin continued the Crusaders solid play since returning to Michigan from March junkets to California and Kentucky

In the opener, the Dragons broke out to a 5-0 lead in the second inning But MU relief pitcher Scott Miller (1-0) came in to start the third and he shut down Tiffin on one hit over the next four frames, giv ing the Crusaders offense plenty of time to get back into the game



MADONNA SPORTS INFORMAT ON

Teammates congratulate Madonna University s Ben Ramsey after he hit a two-run homer during Thursday's doubleheader at Ilitch Ballpark

Madonna started the comeback with a run in the third, when senior catcher Nick Hippler (Farmington) singled in junior outfielder Manny Alvarado (Southfield)

A five-run fourth put the Crusaders in the lead for good Key hits in the frame included a two-run homer by Alvarado (2-3, two RBI), a run-scoring single by Hippler (3-3, two RBI) and a double to left by senior outfielder Kevin Entsminger (Canton) for the fifth run of the inning

In the sixth, the Crusaders tacked on four more runs for good measure A two-run double to right by pinch-hitter and 2005 Redford Catholic Central graduate Matt Rodeghier drove in two and senior first baseman Todd Kalmbach plated another with a base hit

JUMPING IN FRONT

The second game was almost the mirror image of the opener, with the Crusaders storming out to an early lead and then hanging on

Madonna staked starting and winning pitcher Keegan Beaton to a 4-0 first inning lead thanks to a two-run single through the left side of the Tiffin infield by sophomore catcher David Herrick (Livonia Churchill) and an RBI double by Kalmbach

A two run homer to left by senior third baseman Ben Ramsey (3 3 two RBI) mide it 7-0 Earlier in the inning, junior shortstop Kyle Fedorka singled in a run

But the Dragons started chipping away against freshman Beaton scoring two runs in the third After MU added two in the fourth on a two-run single to center by junior out fielder and Farmington native Tony Luttman (2 3, two RBI), Tiffin drew closer on three runs in the fifth and another in the sixth Fedorka came on to pitch

the seventh after rehever Andy Wojcik walked the leadoff bat ter The Dragons made it 9 7 on a sacrifice fly by Justin Blair and then, with two out, Gary Rule smoked a one-hop double off the right-field fence to cut the lead to 9-8

That brought up Paul Robbins, who lashed a liner toward the right-center gap The ball looked like it was going to drop in and the the game

But Madonna sophomore centerfielder Mıke Cauzıllo (West Bloomfield) stretched out to snare the drive, ending the contest

"Mike Cauzillo and many other players on this team can play some defense,' Haeger said That's exactly why he's out there

For results of the weekend double headers with St Xavier please check www.hometownlife.com or see Thursday's *Observer*





TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Livonia Ladywood s Erin McLaughlin (left) is caught by the tag of Livonia Churchill pitcher Bridget Long on an attempted steal of second base

Blazing debut

Ladywood stymies Chargers in season opener, 4-0

BY BRAD EMONS STAFF WR TER

Livonia Ladywood made quite a statement in its 2006 girls softball season opener

The Blazers, who played errorless ball looked sharp in all phases of the game en route to a 4 0 victory Thursday over host Livonia Churchill in a bat the of state quarterfinalists from a year ago

Junior pitcher Lauren Taylor now in her third varsity season himited the Chargers (3 2) to a pair of hits She struck out 10 and walked three

Ladywood collected six hits against Churchill senior Bridget Long scoring twice in the first one in the fourth and one in the fifth

"For not playing yet, overall I was pleased" said Ladywood coach Bob Lulek, whose 19 16-1 team reached the 2005 Division II state quarterfinals "We definitely have some things to work on but I was happy with the hitting "Net all of them were bits

Not all of them were hits but they hit the ball hard Even the balls we struck out on were good pitches And Long is ii od pitche i Im h py

The Blazer of tehnichill in a hole carly with a pair of runs in the top of the first inning

Alyssa Abramoski had a one out single and Central ners moved up Long then got Kyla Suchy on a popout, but Erin McLaughlins smash to shortstop squirted through the infield for two unearned runs

'With runners on second and third you re always run ning on the hit so it was good situation with two-out Lulek said If its one-out you re not likely running on the pitch"

Ladywood added another run in the fourth on Suchy's lead off double which landed her on third after Churchills second error of the day Suchy then came home on McLaughlins single

In the fifth, Rachel Jachym singled with one out and Schulz followed with a two-out walk

Suchy then ripped to a shot to center field that was mishan dled, scoring Jachym to give the Blazers a commanding four run lead

Taylor meanwhile was on cruise control setting down Churchills first 10 batters in order including six Ks before Long doubled off her with one out in the fourth

We tried a couple of things with I a rem when she got the d att c c at Jule's and b t fin pitch is have to got to stay ahead in the count to be effective. It doesn't necessarily work against every team we'll see but we felt today it was important" Jordan Kerr and Chelsea Wydick drew walks in the fifth, but the Chargers were unable to capitalize Churchills only other hit came off Taylor came in the sixth on a single by Cat Sidor (following a lead-off walk to Brynn Kerr)

The Chargers left a total five runners stranded

We seem to be doing that so far this season – come out flat and try and play catch up" Churchill coach Carrie Korican said We made some base running mistakes Ladywood was pretty aggressive They have good hitters

And Taylor has improved Shes faster and smarter since last year"

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Korican, whose team finished 25 7 a year ago and reached the Division I quarter- * finals before being ousted by state champion Harper Woods Regma, said the early-season losses to Ladywood and Garden City (4-3) can only benefit her team in the long run 'We have a whole new outfield, a new shortstop and third baseman," she said 'We had chemistry last year We can be as good because we ve got talent and the athletes but were missing the sperience In scare the games where you gain the experience that our seniors had last year We had two seniors that had four years varsity experience, and you

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Small changes can make big results

arenting is a breeze — once you've set your kids up with healthy sleeping habits, homework habits, and chores so they can contribute and develop abilities Then, of course they need to learn social skills such as table manners, and how to greet guests who come to visit

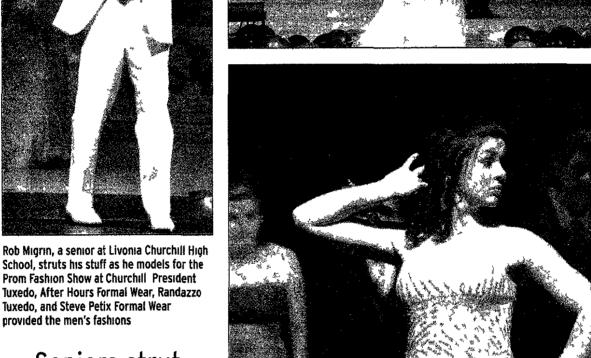
One of the many things on a parent's to-do list includes setting up an environment for children to develop healthy self esteem Here are a few easy to implement ideas to help you move full-esteem ahead

1 Place items in your children's bedrooms and around the house that remind them of past successes and current passions Find a place for items such as trophies, artwork, projects, inventions, photos of your children fishing, skiing, singing in the choir, participating in a sports event, or volunteering at a seniors center When children learn to master skills, they are empowered and their sense of self-esteem rises

2 Show a positive regard for your children It helps them blossom and feel a stronger sense of belonging Keep their community connections strong by displaying physical reminders of their bonds to others Display pictures and talk about their favorite teachers, friends, grandparents, coaches, pets and anyone else who has struck a personal connection with them

Make a habit of setting up visits and telephone time with extended family and close friends Research from the National Longitudinal Study of Adolescent Health provides indisputable evidence that creating a feeling of connectedness at home and at school is valuable and should be as important a national priority as high test scores for children to succeed

What kind of connection do you most often make with your kids? Pay attention to what your body language is saying What expression shows up on your face when your children walk in the room? Do your eyes light up or do you furrow your brow while barraging them with a list of everything they need to do? Don't just tell them that you love them, show it with hugs, smiles or by letting them overhear you saying positive things about them to others 3 Encourage your kids to create a vision board You can use anything from a posterboard to a large push pin cork board Kids can cut out pictures from magazines of what they envision for themselves and want to bring into their lives What are their wants, desires, and dreams? Give your children the freedom to have their vision boards reflect their own wants and desires, not yours Vision boards have a way of attracting you into the future you wish to create for yourself 4 Express gratitude on a daily basis Gratitude is a shortcut to happiness When I ask parents what they want for their children, their top answer is almost always I want my kids to be happy Regardless of what is going on in life, when you get in touch with what you are grateful for, happiness emerges



Rob Migrin, a senior at Livonia Churchill High School, struts his stuff as he models for the Prom Fashion Show at Churchill President

Observer

Seniors strut down runway in latest prom fashions

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

nything goes when it comes to prom fashions this year Girls dressed in gowns in a rainbow of colors and designs dazzled the audience at the 25th annual Prom Fashion Show at Churchill High School in Livonia in early March





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Sarah Geraci and Nick **Desautel of Livonia** Franklin High School strut the catwalk at **Churchill High School** Seniors from all three Livonia high schools participated in the annual prom show on March 7

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Seniors from all three Livonia public high schools vied for the honor of strutting down the runway in gowns from the Somerset Collection and JC Penney in Westland, and men's evening wear from four local businesses The 26 male and female models were chosen based on their involvement with school activities and the National Honors Society Ron Zapalski, junior class sponsor and show coordinator, believes students learn more than

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Mary Baharozian, a senior at Livonia Churchill High School, strikes a pose during the 25th Annual Livonia Public Schools Prom Fashion Show at Churchill

Performers kiss today 'hello' for AAUW branch audience

BY JULIE BROWN STAFF WRITER

American Association of University Women members didn t regret what they did to get to the branch's spring luncheon at Fox Hills Country Club last Saturday

The Plymouth-Canton branch was treated to selections from A Chorus *Line*, to be presented later this month by Destination Theatre at the Cherry Hill Village Theater in Canton

"We're just so excited because we ve got this beautiful theater in town," said Patrick Persons of Canton, a board

member of Destination Theatre and assistant director for the production Wendy Sielaff is directing

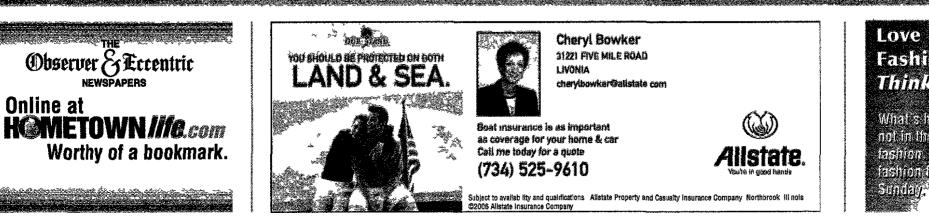
Persons, a librarian at Plymouth Salem High School, heard from AAUW's Pam Dean, who needed entertainment for the April 1 luncheon "She asked if we'd be interested and we said, 'absolutely,' Persons said "The cast is excited

They picked their favorites for the luncheon, including not only A Chorus Line, but also selections from Hairspray, Miss Saigon, I Love You,

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The cast is looking forward to presenting 'A Chorus Line' at the Cherry Hill Village Theater in Canton





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how to model clothes by par ticipating

'BIG EVENT'

The show trains kids in junior year to plan a big event because the next year they re planning a prom They re developing people skills, how to do an application for the show They ll be applying for college next year so this is good practice, said Zapalski

a social studies teacher at Churchill 'The biggest challenge for me is trying to organize the show with top athletes and scholars Their time is limited

Ashlee Ricketts had never walked down a runway before but wasn t the least bit nervous once the music started Ricketts showed off a pink, poufy dress with sparkles The 17-year-old said, it's like the dress you always dream of" Unfortunately, it cost almost \$400 Ricketts paid

less than half for a strapless gown from Marshall Fields She ll wear the bright orange and pink creation to the prom on May 1 at Laurel Manor

Orange pink and green are big colors this year," said Ricketts who is having her aunt design jewelry to go with the dress

Munevera (Moni) Surkovic agrees green and orange are some of her customers favorite colors, but so are pink, white and yellow At Monis Bridal and Fashion in

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downtown Farmington, girls can choose from thousands of dresses in stock or visit the Web site at www.monisbridal com to special order any size or color Surkovic carries only US designers so gowns can be shipped the same day if the manufacturer has it in stock

'Poufy, straight, all colors they re all in," said Surkovic, who studied dressmaking and design in Europe and now lives in Canton since leaving her home in Sarajevo "I can

do all alterations and even can redesign the dress'

Shehzeen Ahmed hasn't noticed any specific trends since she began looking for a dress at Marshall Field's and Parisian, but likes halter styles

NO PASTELS, PLEASE

"I'm looking for a dress that's not so big you can't dance and I'm staying away from pastels,' said Ahmed, who walked down the runway in a coffee color dress with beadwork 'I'll be very excited as soon as I get the dress Then I don't have to worry about anything else that includes finding a date "

It seems not everyone has a date for the prom yet Brendan Kıhm thınks that's because seniors are busy planning their spring break April 14-23 The 18-year-old student is waiting to find out what his date's dress will look like, but plans to rent a black suit For the show, he wore a black pinstripe suit by Echo from Randazzo that was accented with a silver tie and vest In addition to Randazzo, guys chose evening wear from After Hours Formal Wear, President Tuxedo, and Steve Petix Formal Wear Decker's Flowers in Westland, and Nature's Florist and French's Flowers in Livonia provided the corsages and boutonnieres

"I'm really excited," said Kıhm "It's the culmination of your senior year Homecoming and Coming Home are fun but prom 1s more intimate with just seniors "

Evan Butka wanted to look "outrageous for the show so he donned a bright red twobutton jacket with black pants and vest from President Tuxedo

"I don't want just plain," said Butka about his plans for prom wear "I don't want to be like everyone else

Cole Cousino's girlfriend hasn t bought her dress so he's waiting to select his tux Cousino wants to wear ' something more colorful" than the black, five-button coat with silver vest he chose to wear in

Matt Prentice Restaurant Group

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Evan Butka wanted to look 'outrageous' for the show so he donned a bright red two-button jacket with black pants and vest from President Tuxedo.

the show from President Tuxedo in Westland

'I like getting dressed up," said Cousino 'Prom is a reason to dress up"

Over the years, Linda Batzloff has noticed that many of her male customers choose white rose boutonnieres to go with their attire The owner of Farmington Center Florist is encouraging both sexes to be adventurous Dress styles have changed since she went to prom, but nosegays and shoulder cor-

sages are making a comeback "There are some corsages to go over the shoulder for those dresses that are not strapless, and clutches, which are like a nosegay, but not, for dresses which are strapless,' said Batzloff, flower shop owner 'We have crystals coming in to make some more contemporary, fun and different It doesn't have to look like a corsage Earrings can be made with flowers or they can choose ribbons around the neck with flowers on them'

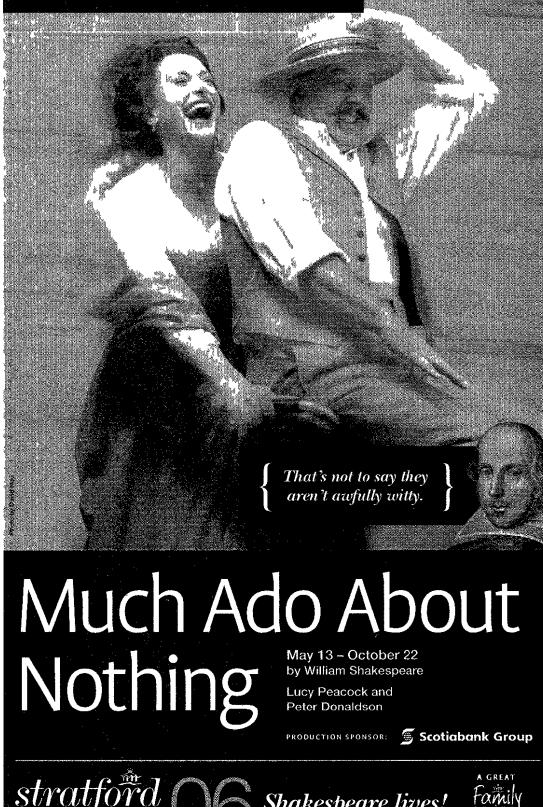
The choices seem endless when it come to flowers For those wearing a halter gown, a corsage can adorn the strap The heat of the body sends the intense aroma into the air for the wearer and her date to ınhale

"There are wrist bands that are more like bracelets that they can use again," said Batzloff 'Boutonnieres can have the same kind of flash with metals and crystals to jazz them up, and lights that glow

"I tell them be free or have fun with it There are so many fun things that can be done Flowers can be worn on the ankles and on the shoes'

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U-M musical theater brings Dr. Seuss to life

The University of Michigan Musical Theatre Department closes the season with Seussical, a whimsical musical that weaves together Dr Seuss s most famous tales 7 30 p m Thursday, April 13, 8 p m Friday-Saturday, April 14-15, and 2 p m Sunday, April 16, at Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher,

Ann Arbor

Tickets are \$22 and \$16, \$9 students Call (734) 764-2538 or online at

www.music.umich.edu The works of Dr Seuss, the pseudonym of Theodore Seuss Geisel, have delighted children

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Coping with the death of a loved one can be very difficult for many of s Heartland Hospice is offering a six week series Living With Grief beginning 4 5 30 pm April 20 May 25 The program is a series of weekly ses sions offering insights and coping skills for an adult's journey through grief The series will be held at the Heartland Hospice office in Ann Arbor and is open to anyone. For more information or to register contact Ann Christensen bereavement coordina tor at (734) 973 1145 or toll free (888) 973 1145

Walk America

March of Dimes WalkAmerica takes place Saturday April 29 at Hines Park in Livonia to help the March of Dimes fight prematurity a growing crisis that now affects half a million babies born in the U.S. every year. The Walk is approximately six miles long and will begin and end at Nankin Mills in Hines Park For more information about WalkAmerica or to join the event at

Hines Park on April 29 visit walkamer ica org or call 1 800 525 WALK Marshmallow drop

Wayne County Parks presents Marshmallow Drop 2006 Friday April 14 when kids from all over will have the chance to turn in marshmallows for a prize. More than 20,000 marsh mallows will be dropped from a heli copter at the two county parks loca tions 9 a m at Elizabeth Park in Trenton and 11 a m at Nankin Mills in Westland Elizabeth Park is located on Jefferson east of 175 and south of West Road in Trenton Nankin Mills is located on Hines Drive just east of Ann Arbor Trail in Westland For addi tional information call (734) 261 1990

Hospice training

Heartland Hospice is looking for car ing 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. Spring volunteer training is approaching. For more information contact volunteer coordi nator Candice Jones at (888) 973 1145 Safe driving program

St Mary Mercy Hospital and the

American Association of Retired Persons offers a two day program

AARP Safe Driving 12:30 4 30 pm May 23 24 Attendance at both ses sions is required. It s an eight hour classroom refresher course for expe rienced motorists age 50 and older There is a \$10 fee payable to AARP and pre registration is required. For more information or to register call (734) 655 8950

Ann Arbor Women

The Ann Arbor Women's City Club hosts its 16th annual Tables and Tea event displaying elegant and whimsi cal table settings designed by club members and local retailers. The event takes place at the City Club 1830 Washtenaw (between Devonshire and Hill)16 pm Sunday June 4 Tickets go on sale in mid May at the Club and at some designated places around town Tickets will be available the day of the event at the Club For more information call Linda Atkins (734) 741 8032 Home tour

The Ann Arbor Women's City Club hosts its 54th annual Home Tour beginning at the City Club 1830 Washtenaw 10 a m 6 p m May 19 Ozone House has been designated the recipient of a portion of the event s revenue Tickets go on sale in April at the City Club and in designated places around town Tickets will also be available the day of the event. For more information and updates call

Sylvia Stetz (734) 878 9044 Swap Meet

The Western Wayne County Conservation Association of Plymouth hosts a swap meet noon 5 p m Saturday April 15 at the WWCCA club house at 6700 Napler Road. The swap meet allows participants the opportu nity to bring out items they ve been wanting to sell or trade including guns knives reloading equipment and supplies fishing tackle and other items Tables at the meet cost \$15 apiece or two for \$25 Someone w II be available to handle any transac tions required for firearms sales at a nominal cost all local state and fed eral firearms laws will be followed with no exceptions. The kitchen will also be open. For more information or to reserve tables call Don McLellan (734) 591 0247 A limited number of tables will be available and must be paid for in advance

Cancer society scholarships

The American Cancer Society Great Lakes Division college scholarship program is currently accepting appli cations for the 2006 2007 school year Applications are due by 5 p m on Tuesday April 18 Since 1997 the American Cancer Society Great Lakes Division Foundation has proudly sup ported young cancer survivors with \$1000 scholarships as they pursue ambitious career goals. To date more

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

To all residents and other interested parties Agenda's and Minutes for the Township of Plymouth Board of Trustee Meetings are available for review under the Reference Desk Page of the Township Website www.plymouthtwp.org

Minutes and agendas are also posted in the Clerk's Office at Plymouth Township Hall 42350 Ann Arbor Road Plymouth for public perusal

> Marilyn Massengill CMC Clerk Charter Township of Plymouth

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

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David Medley ADA Coordinator Charter Township of Canton 1150 S Canton Center Road Canton MI 48188 (734) 394 5260

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Regional robotics

The P CEP Lightning Robotics team turned in its best regional competition showing at the 2006 Wisconsin regional March 24-25 The team was awarded Delphi's Driving Tomorrow's Technology Award for innovation and creativity in the integration of two PlayStation II controllers in the teams one of a kind control system which was designed built and programmed by the students. The team was chosen to form an alliance with two other teams which was then beaten by the alliance which went on to win the regional. The team also won the Daimler Chrysler Team Spirit award for outstanding enthusiasm and teamwork

than 300 f rst t me scholarsh ps and 200 renewal scholarsh ps have been awarded to students in the Great Lakes area of Indiana and Michigan To qualify appl cants must be a can cer surv vor age 20 or younger (as of April 18 2006) a U S citizen and legal resident of Indiana or Michigan and

attending or planning to attend an accredited college or university in Indiana or Michigan in Fall 2006 Those interested may download an application on line by visiting www.cancer.org/scholarships.or.by calling (800) 723 0360



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The following vehicles have been deemed abandoned and will be sold at public auction April 11 2006 at 10 00 AM The auction will be held at Westland Car Care Towing, 6375 Hix Rd Westland MI 48185 The vehicles will be sold as is starting bid is for towing and storage

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VOLUNTEERS Recognizing HomeTown Heroes Awards

Luncheon

Join WXYZ Channel 7 anchor/reporter Glenda Lewis and Smooth Jazz V98 7 morning show host Alexander Zonjic as we honor the following outstanding volunteers, as well as hundreds of others, who continue to give of their time and talents to serve those in our community



Monday, April 24 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. **Detroit Marriott Renaissance Center**

Acts of Kindness Award Patricia McCracken of Livonia

Bernie Firestone Award Jo Ann Wallace of Southfield

CorPLUS Award Louis Mahoney of Bloomfield Hills

Exemplary Group Service Award Girl Scouts of Macomb County Postponing Sexual Involvement Teen Mentors **Outstanding Youth Award** All Ayoub of Dearborn

Alexander Zonjic

Young Adult Award of Excellence Melvina Anderson of Detroit

Outstanding Business Award DaimlerChrysler Financial Services

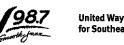
Governor's Honor Roll 80 southeast Michigan residents will be recognized in this category

Heart of Gold Award J Ernest Cooper of Lathrup Village Jean Kolod of Rochester Hills Joyce Siegel of Huntington Woods Mark Q Williams of Detroit

Reservations must be made in advance. Call United Way for Southeastern Michigan at 313-226-9430 to reserve your tickets. Ticket cost is \$27.50 each. All reservations are due by April 17.

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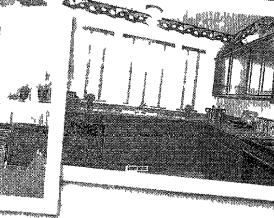
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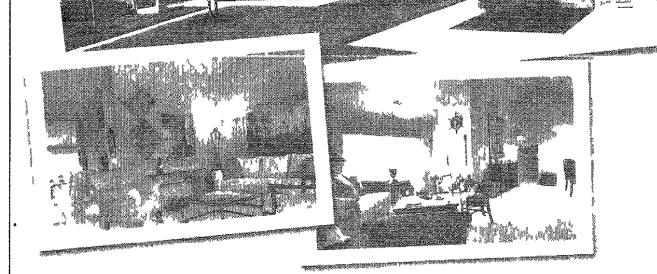
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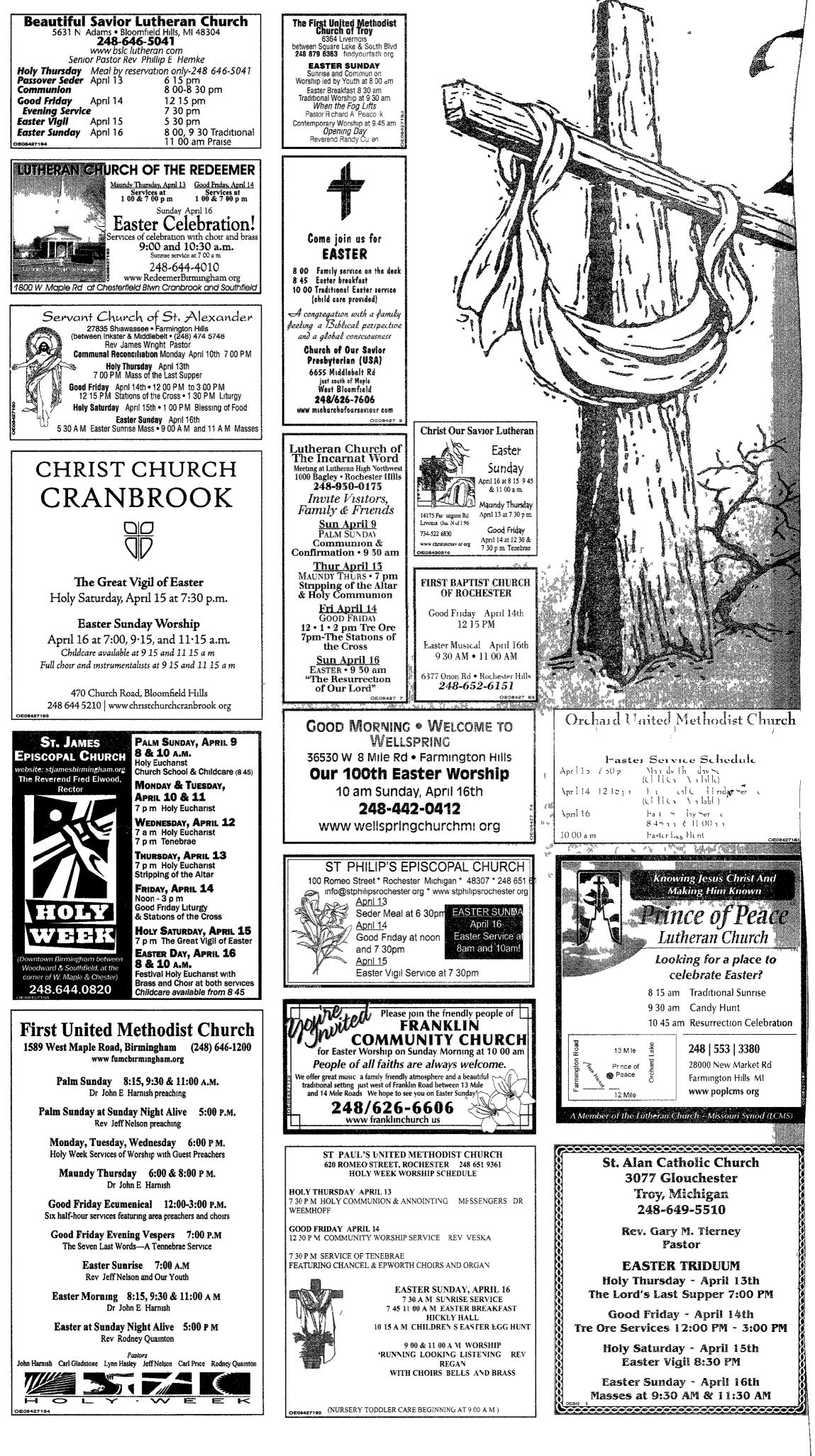
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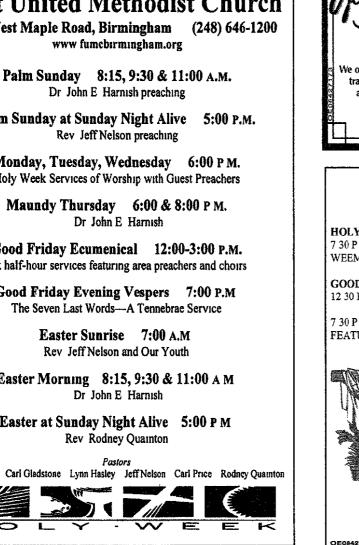
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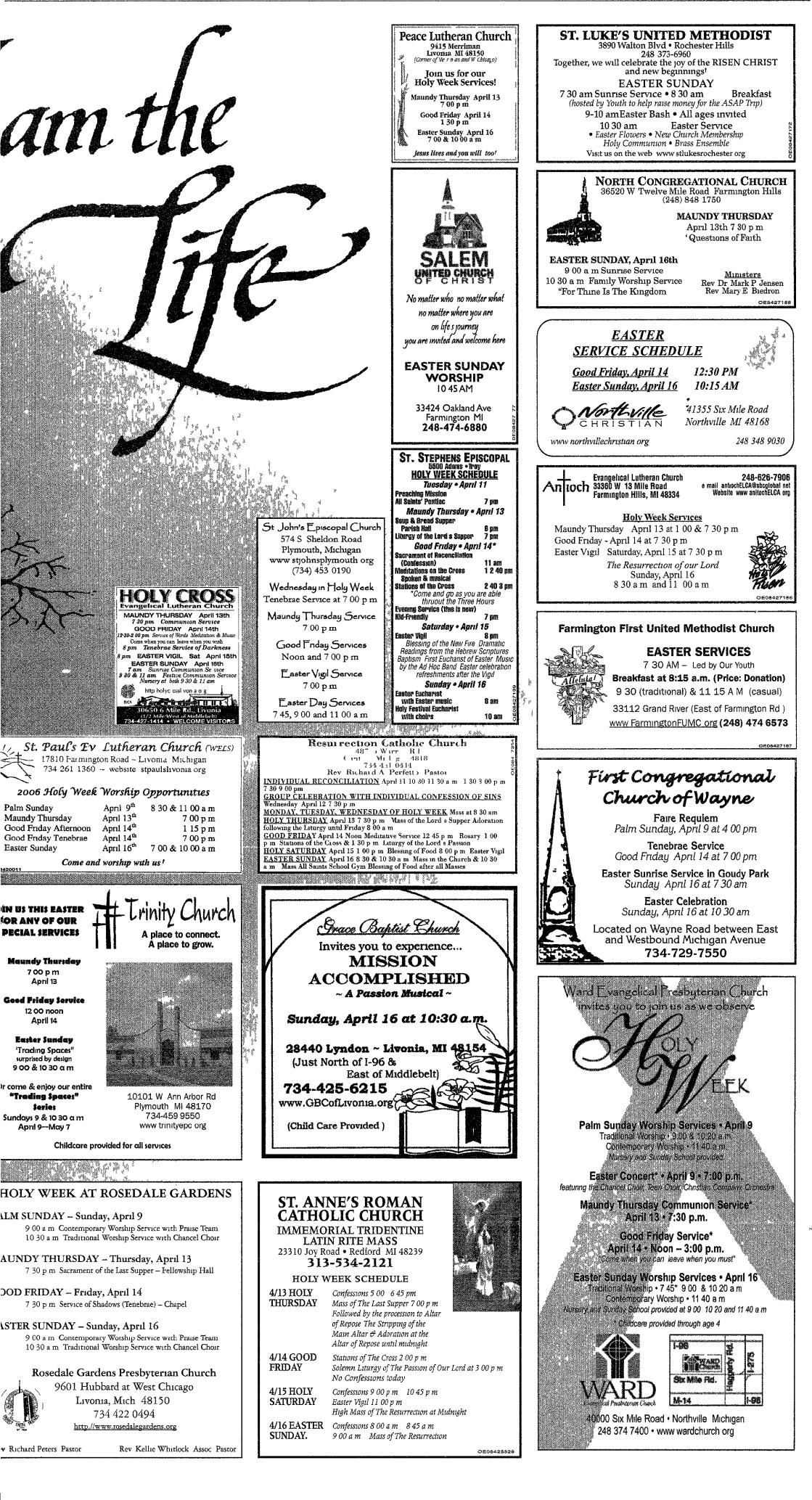
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As space permits the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers print without charge announcements of class reunions Send the information to **Reunions Observer & Eccentric** Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Livonia MI 48170 Please include the date of the reunion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

REUNIONS

Andover High School Jills

The Jills of Andover High School in Bloomfield Hills are celebrating 50 years A reunion is planned for Memorial Day Weekend Friday May 26 a reception will be held at Pine Lake Country Club On Saturday May 27 the attending Jills will rehearse 8 30 a m to 4 30 p m and perform at 7 30 p.m. in the Andover Auditorium An afterglow reception will follow. For more information contact Dorothe Patterson at (248)737 8407 or at Jills50th@comcast net

Bishop Borgess Class of 1986

A 20 year reunion is planned for May 20 For more information e mail Bishopborgess86@gmail.com or call (734)762 5186 **Cass Tech High School**

Class of 1955-57

A 50 year reunion is planned for Sept 15 17 2006 at St John's Armenian Church Southfield Contact Rich Baylerian (248) 735 4495 Barbara Grajek Schanfrankek (248) 543 6353

April 8

April 9

9525 Susan Wilmot Hitchcock at hitchcocksw@hotmail.com **Central High**

Joann Ellison Armistead (248) 533

Class of 1946

A 60 year reunion is planned for June 4 2006 at Glen Oaks Country Club Both January and June classmates will celebrate over dinner and danc ing January grads contact Al Weiss (248) 737 9313 or Esther Bornstein (248) 851 6625 June grads contact Barbara Keidan (248) 646 7199 or Saul Saulson (248) 932 5177 **Clarenceville High School** Class of 1956

A 50 year reunion is planned for Sept 29 Oct 1 Sept 29 football game and party Sept 30 banquet at Vladimirs of Farmington \$45/person open bar Oct 1 breakfast at Leon's in Livonia For more information call Sharon Byrnes Hawk at (248) 529 3016 **Denby High School**

Class of 1956

A 50 year reunion is planned for Sept 16 2006 at the Club Venetian in Madison Heights Contact Doreen (McClennan) Weber at dajweb@juno com or Jerry Love at (586) 739 3840

Detroit Chadsey Class of 1956

Looking for classmates A 50 year reunion is planned for October 2006 All alumni from other years welcome Contact Ted at (734) 462 2411 or Lillian at (734) 326 1324 **Detroit Cody**

Class of 1976

A 30 year reunion is planned for Sept 30 2006 at Summit at the Park in Canton \$60 Make check payable to Cody 76 Reunion and send to Laurene Craig 6736 Elizabeth Garden City 48135 Contact Pat (Pletzke) Wauford at Swaulor@aol com OR Laurene (Zywica) Craig at (734) 536 3195 OR Harry Werwinski at bognutz@yahoo com or (313) 274 7763

Detroit Cooley

Class of 1966 A 40 year reunion is planned for Saturday Oct 7 2006 at the Courtyard by Marriott in Farmington Hills Buffet dinner music dancing and a souvenir booklet. All interested January and June graduates please contact Julie (McLean) Work at (248) 477 6802 or email work2friends@yahoo.com

Detroit Henry Ford

Class of 1966 A 40 year reunion will be held 6 p m to 1 a m on Saturday Sept 2 2006 at the Troy Hilton Anyone who attended Ford is welcome Contact Ron Grant (home 248) 288 9376 OR (cell 586) 663 8844 **Detroit Mackenzie**

Classes Jan June and Summer 1956 A 50 year reunion is planned for Sept 16 2006 at the Novi Sheraton For more information call Harold Kappen at (734) 261 0325 or okappen@earth link net **Detroit Saleslan High School**

Class of 1956

A 50 year reunion is planned for July 15 2006 at the Royal Oak Elks Club

Contact Tom Connelly (248) 546 4536 or Ron Altwies (734) 421 7143 **Detroit St** Theresa

Class of 1956

A 50 year reunion is planned for June 10 2006 at the Holiday Inn West 17123 Laurel Park Dr N In Livonia A brunch is planned on June 11 For more infor mation call Mary Monroe at (734) 427 4526

Edsel Ford High School

A 50th anniversary will be held over the next year with a series of special events Final activity will be a Black and White Ball on Saturday May 20 2006 About the activities www.geoci ties com/edsel50th To contact the committee email edsel50@gmail com **Epiphany Grade School**

Class of 1966

A 40 year reunion is in the planning stages for the summer of 2006 Contact Dorothy at (24) 477 9478 or dzsnyder@hotmail.com **Ferndale High School**

Class of 1975/1976

A 30 year reunion is planned for Saturday Aug 12 2006 at the Troy Somerset Inn 2601 West Big Beaver Road between 175 and Coolidge Road For information and to register sign in at www.fhs75.76.org_Discount if you register before Feb 15 Cost is \$65/person or \$120/couple Forward payment ASAP to FHS 75 76 Reunion PO Box 20274 Ferndale MI 48220 Class of 1966

A 40 year reunion is planned for Saturday July 29 2006 at the Sheraton Detroit Novi 21111 Haggerty Road (I 275 at Eight Mile Road) Novi To register send check for \$75 per person to Ferndale High School 1966 Class Reunion C/O Joan Rockett Horner 951 W Oakridge Ferndale 48220

Fordson High School Class of 1981

A 25 year reunion is planned for Saturday May 13 2006 For more information contact Nancy Davis Zaleski at (734) 427 8254 or fordson reunion@yahoo.com or go to www.aeocities.com/fordsonreunion

Franklin High School Class of 1969

Planning a reunion for 2007 Please contact Kathy Nisun (248) 363 5679 or e mail Kayninilu@aol.com or Kathy Shoebridge @ Klivingston@nu

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Class of 1991 Call (800) 677 7800 visit www.taylor reunions com or e mail info@taylor

reunions com Livonia Franklın

Class of 1969

A reunion is in the pre-planning stages for 2007 For more information contact Kathy Nisun (248) 363 5679 or Email Kayninilu@aol com Livonia Stevenson

Class of 1996

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A 10 year reunion is planned for July 29 2006 at Fifth Avenue Novi For

information contact Lauren Kronk at ikronk@sbcglobal.net.or (734) 718 3211 or Keri Gutekunst Sims at kerisims0130@yahoo.com or visit www.stevenson1996.com

Class of 1986

A 20 year reunion is planned for Saturday Oct 14 at St Mary's Cultural Center Alumni can update their address by calling (734) 261 3264 or e mailing celebrationstoremember@vahoo.com Visit the Web site at ctrinc divincinet com

Class of 1976

A 30 year reunion is planned for Saturday Nov 25 2006 at the Marriott's Dearborn inn Tickets are \$55/person and are available now Send checks payable to Stevenson Class of 76 Reunion mail to Dave Lindenmuth 34357 Burton Lane Livonia 48154 For more information email dlindenm@hotmail.com

Marine Reunion

The Third Marine Division Association will hold its annual family reunion on Aug 9 13 2006 in Milwaukee Wis Headquarters Hotel Hyatt Regency Milwaukee Anyone who served in was attached to or served in support of The Third Marine Division at any time since it was formed on Sept 16 1942 is eligible and cordially invited to attend For membership and reunion information contact Sot Major Bill Krueger USMC Ret (703) 451 3844 or 7622 Highland St Springfield VA 22150 3931 or www.caltrap.com

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Timothy Lutheran Church

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1 2 4 H Holy Week Services at St. Augustine You are invited to worship with us during the Holiest Week of the Year! **Risen Christ Lutheran Church** First Lutheran Church Presbyterian 46250 Ann Arbor Road • Plymouth, MI 48170 5475 Livernois Rd St Owen Catholic Church Church (between Beck & Sheldon Roads) Troy 701 Church Street Plymouth MI 48170 6869 Franklin Rd • Bloomfield Hills Church of the Holy Spirit (248) 626 0840 248-879-6400 734 453 5252 734 453 6464 Holy Thursday 7 30 PM 9083 Newburgh Rd. Mass adoration saltchurch net www.fpcp.net Maundy Thursday Worship - 7.00 pm Between Joy & Ann Arbor Tr 734 591 0211 until midmaht Good Friday 12 30 PM Maundy Thursday April 13 Easter Sunday Good Friday Worship - 7.00 pm Stat ons of the Cross 8 00 pm Communion Service 1 30 PM 7 30 PM Liturgy of Good Friday Tenebrae Good Friday April 14 8 00 pm Tenebrae Service **Easter Services** April 16th Easter Sunday - 8 15 & 10 45 am 8:30 am & 10:30 am Easter Vigil 8 00 PM Holy Saturday Worship Times EASTER SUNDAY April 16 8 00 9 30 & 11 00 am Easter Breakfast between worship hours Mass 9 00 and 11 00 AM Easter Sunday 8am • 10 am Web. www.holyspirit-livopia.org **ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH** 500 pm Eucharist with Palms am the 7 45 am Palm Sunday 10 00 am Eucharist KTR F 7 IDENTICAL SERVICES! e firit tera Friday - 3:15, 5:15 & 7:15 p.m. April 13 7 30 pm Maundy Thursday Saturday - 5:15 & 7:15 p.m. April 14 7 30 pm Good Friday Sunday - 9:15 & 11:15 p.m. 7 45 am Easter Day April 16 49555 North Territorial 10 00 am Plymouth, MI 48170 16360 Hubbard Rd • Livonia 734,414,7777 anHinas NorthRidgeChurch.com 734-421-8451

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Geneva Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) 5835 Sheldon Road • Canton MI 48187 (734) 459 0013 www.genevachurch.org Thursday, April 13, 6 00 p m , Maundy Thursday Seder Meal



ENGAGEMENTS

Schmitt-Palm

Mr and Mrs Robert Houchen of Garden City and Mr and Mrs Francis Schmitt of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter Julie Marie Schmitt of Dearborn Heights to Michael David Palm of Dearborn Heights

Michael is the son of Ellen Palm of Gaylord, Mich, and Joseph Palm of Ellington, Fla Michael is employed with Benkins Trucking

Julie is employed with ACC Penske Logistics

A wedding is planned for July at Riverview Golf Course The couple will reside in Dearborn Heights

Baughman-Maltese

Mr and Mrs Dominic J Maltese announce the engagement of their son Andrew D Maltese to Melissa Ann Baughman, daughter of Mr and Mrs Randy Holland of Jonesville and Mr Dale Baughman of Litchfield

Andrew 1s a 1997 graduate of Dearborn High School and is currently employed with the family construction business, D J Maltese in Plymouth

Melissa Ann is a 1999 graduate of Hillsdale High School and a 2004 graduate of Michigan State University with a bachelor of science degree in kinesiology She is currently employed at Northville Physical ding is planned

Rehabilitation as a physical therapy technician A summer 2006 garden wed-

Slusarski-Rosenberg

John and Maureen Slusarski of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter Rebecca Ann Slusarski of Westland to Benjamin Rosenberg of Canton

Benjamin is the son of Ruth Rosenberg of Canton and the late Martin Rosenberg

The bride-elect is a 1998 graduate of Franklin High School and 2002 graduate of Eastern Michigan University She is a team leader with Quicken Loans

The groom-elect is a 1995 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and a 1999 graduate of Eastern Michigan University He is a social studies teacher at Highland Park

Collins-Migora

Clayton and Sally Collins of Redford announce the engage ment of their daughter Shelly Lynne Collins of Redford to Douglas Migora of Redford

Douglas is the son of Gary and Rosalie Migora of Livonia

Koepke

Jim and Doris Koepke of Livonia, Michigan celebrate 50 years of marriage on April 21, 2006 They were married at Divinity Lutheran Church in Detroit in 1956 after meeting on a blind date A 1968 graduate of Laurence

Institute of Technology in Southfield with a bachelor of science in electrical engineering, Jim was a manager of contracts and administration for Unisys until his retirement in 1994

SINGLES

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Moon-dusters

Ballroom Dancing to a live band every Saturday 8 30 11 p.m. at the Livonia Civic Center 15218 Farmington Road Livonia Admission quest/\$6 associ ates/\$5.50 members/\$5 Dress Ladies date style clothes gentlemen - lack ets and ties for more information call Joe Castrodale (248) 968 5197

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Dances

MSP dances from 8 p m to 1 a m Top 40 DJ cash bar hors d oeuvres (8 9 30 pm) and door prizes Admission \$5/members \$9/non members unless otherwise noted Attire is dressy casu al (no jeans or tennis shoes) unless otherwise noted

SINGLE POINT MINISTRIES

Single Point Ministries of Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church is at 40000 Six Mile Road the corner of Six Mile and Haggerty in Northville Sunday Fellowship

Meet at 11 30 a m every Sunday in Knox Hall for fellowship and encour agement Coffee doughnuts conversa t on and Christ are always present. For more information call the SPM office at (248) 374 5920 **Bible Studies-Prayer Nights** Learner s Bible Study 7 p m

Mondays in Room A101 Praying Together 7 p m

ANNIVERSARY



Camps available during spring break

High Velocity Sports of Canton is offering All-Sport and Craft Camps during spring break, April 17-21 The All-Sport Camp includes

Doris attended Wayne State

University and spent 10 years

in the accounting department

family beginning in 1958

at Sanders prior to raising their

They have lived their entire

married life in Livonia, raising

They also have 4 grandchil-

and Bradley with a new grand-

boating and attending the the-

Together they enjoy bowling,

dren - Mandı, Jay, Matthew

three children - James Jr,

Carol and John

ater

daughter due in May

a multitude of sports including soccer, flag football, basketball, volleyball, dodge ball, floor hockey, and an array of backyard games like capture the flag, hide and seek, and kickball This camp is offered by the day (including April 14) or by the week (April 17-21) Half-day options for ages 5-8 include 9 a m to noon or 1-4 p m Full-day camps for 7-12year-olds run 9 a m to 4 p m The camp fee is \$25 per day or \$99 for the week for half-day participants and \$45 a day or \$189 per week for full-day campers

Creative campers in Craft Camp will work on all kinds of projects including tie-dying Tshirts, jewelry designing, making scented bath salts and soaps, papier mache', decorating vases with sand art, and more The Craft Camp is offered to boys and girls ages 5-12, 9 a m to noon April 17-21 and 1s \$115 The fee includes

all supplies

Campers that would like to attend both camps may do so at the full-day camp price of \$189 per week Also parents who wish to use the early dropoff (7 30-9 a m) or late pickup (4-5 30 p m) option may do so at \$5 per child per day A combined rate for both early drop-off and late-pick up for the week is \$35

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For more information, call (734) HV-SPORT or visit www.hvsports.com The full summer camp schedule 1s available on this Web site



WILMA C. KIRBY

Age 93 of Holly formerly of Flint died

Wed April 5 2006 Funeral services were held at 10 00 A M Sat April 8 2006 at the Dryer Funeral Home

Holly with Pastor Dean Dumbrille

officiating Burial will be in Glen

Eden Cemetery Livonia Mrs Kirby was born in Kansas on Aug 10 1912 the daughter of George and Wilhelmina Matson She formerly

played 2nd chair violin for the Flint

Symphony Orchestra Surv v ng are 3 children Susan (Roger) Flad ng of Northville Albert (Sherry Kirby Jr of

VA and Karen (Dan) Emmitt of Holly

8 grandchildren Kimberly and Jason

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WILLIAM R. (Bob) **CLEVENGER**

Age 78, of Wayne (formerly of Belleville) March 26 2006 Born November 10 1927 in Blacky Virginia son of the late Galla F and Myrtle Virginia (Carter) Clevenger Bob proudly served his country in the US Army He retired from General Motors as a Supervisor He enjoyed television sports and spending time with his family Bob is survived by his wife Faye (Will ams) Clevenger six children Michael (Lisha) of Dexter MI Steve (Vicki) of Southland MI Sis (Dave) Morrison of Westland Diane (Tony) Mayberry of Wayne Janet (Dennis) Rowe of Woodhaven and Robin (Keith) Bush of Dearborn Heights, 10 grandchil dren 7 great grandchildren a brother Bud (Betty Lou) of Winchester, KY a sister Pat (Jim) Kiser of Irvin KY a brother in law Jay Warden and a sis ter in law Anna both of Winchester KY also several nieces & nephews He was preceded in death by a sister, Marion Warden and a brother, Jim Clevenger Funeral services were held at David C Brown Funeral Home Belleville Pastor Roger Stombaugh officiating Interment of cremains will be in Hillside Cemetery Belleville Memorials to the American Heart Association would be appreciated

ROSE BARKER

Age 92 April 4 2006 Beloved mother of Richard (Betty Ann), Diane Pendley Mark Jr (Kathy), Gloria (Don) Parlier, and Carol Barker Grandmother of eight great-grand-mother of seven Funeral services were held Saturday at The John N were held Saturday at The John N Santieu & Son Funeral Home, Garden City MI Memorials suggested to the charity of your choice



DONNA MAXINE ZEMINCKAS



The bride-elect is a 1993 graduate of Redford Thurston High School, a 2000 graduate of Henry Ford Community College with an associate's degree in business and is currently a human resources management student at the University of Michigan, Dearborn

The groom-elect is a 1993 graduate of Churchill High School, attended Schoolcraft

Sinke-Ruhlen

John and Linda Sinke of Canton announced the engage ment of their daughter Stacy Lyn Sinke of Riverview, Fla, to Jeremiah Edward Ruhlen of Air Station Cape Cod, Mass

Jeremiah is the son of Ronald and Cheryl Ruhlen of Grove City, Ohio

The bride-to-be is a 1995 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and a 1999 graduate of Michigan State University She is a boatswain mate first class in the United States Coast Guard

The groom-elect is a 2000 graduate of Grove City High School and 1s employed as a



Joseph Robert Seale

Kevin and Christy Seale of Plymouth Township announce the birth of their son, Joseph Robert Seale, on Jan 24, 2006, at St Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor

Joseph's grandparents are Robert and Carol Seale of Plymouth Township, and Richard and Debbie Priebe of Plymouth Township

His great-grandparents are Dean and Mary Reffner of Plymouth Township, and Rose Seale of Redford



High School

A June wedding at St

Livonia is planned.

Michael Catholic Church in

College and 1s employed at the Original Sign Studio as a carpentry supervisor A September wedding is planned for St Valentine Church in Redford

machinery technician first class in the United States Coast Guard

An August wedding is planned at the Northville Hills Country Club

Tuesdays in the Sanctuary at Ward Church

Men's Bible Study _ 6 30 a m Wednesdays in the Single Adult

Ministries office **Classic Senior Singles**

Saturday April 11 at 7 pm in Room C317 Paul Clough speaks on Triumphant Survivors No ticket or reservation required

Women's Salad Potluck

Women's Fellowship Salad Potluck will be 12 30 p m in Room C317 Bring a salad to pass Jackie Edmonds will be our quest speaker No ticket/reserva tion required

Crosstalk

Crosstalk with Paul Clough will be 7 p m Friday April 14 in Knox Hall No ticket/reservation required Free child care

Lazer tag

April 21 Meet at Zap Zone 41953 Ford Road Canton 645 pm Ticket required cost of \$18 includes pizza pop and lazer tag For more informa tion contact the SPM office at Ward Church at (248) 374 5920 Lighthouse Cafe

April 28 7 10 p m Knox Hall Cards board games ping pong specialty cof fees, snacks and music Cost is \$5 payable at the door and free childcare is provided Lighthouse Cafe is a great place to meet people¹ Greeters are available to help first time attendees get acclimated For more information contact the SPM office at Ward Church at (248) 374 5920

Laugh out loud

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Jessica and Christopher Tim Nathan Andy and Kate 7 great grandchil dren She was preceded in death by her husband Albert Walter Kirby

JOYCE CLARK **BOLTON-RODGER**

Of East Lansing Passed away peace fully on Thursday, April 6 following a long illness She was preceded in death by her husband Charles (Tom) Rodger and her precious daughter Lynn Marie Bolton Jovce was a lov ing mother sister and loyal friend She enjoyed most being with her chil dren and grandchildren followed by her time at pulmonary rehab and gen tle movement She was a founding member of Providence Hospital Junior League and resided in the Detroit area most of her life moving from Birmingham to East Lansing to be closer to her daughters in 1995 She is survived by her daughters Lisa C Bolton Hunt (Robert) of East Lansing and Laurie A Kelly (Jeff Wilson) of DeWitt her precious grandchildren Alex Jackson Lindsay and Alice sis ter, Barbara, many loving nieces and nephews her dear friend Ruthie and her dog, Dr Suess and kitty Sweetie Pie Joyce was a warrior bearing her illness with dignity and always caring for others She is now at peace in heaven but will live on forever in the hearts of those who loved her Funeral services will be held Sunday April 9 3 00 PM at All Saints Episcopal Church, 800 Abbott Road East Lansing with the Rev George Davinich, officiating Interment will be in White Chapel Cemetery Troy Michael The formula will receive Michigan The family will receive friends at the Gorsline Runciman Funeral Homes 1730 E Grand River Avenue East Lansing Saturday from 68 PM Those desiring may make contributions to the Ron Mason Fund Sparrow Foundation, P O Box 30480 Lansing MI 48909 or National Tuberous Sclerosis Association 818 Suite 110 Professional Place Landover Maryland 20785 2226 in memory of Mrs Bolton Rodger

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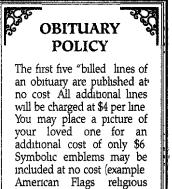
LEONARD E RANDALL

Age 84 of Livonia passed away April 2006 He was born July 3 1921 to Curtis and Mary Gertrude (Worley) Randall Leonard graduated from Western High School in Detroit and attended Wayne State University before entering the Army during World War II He served overseas with the 8th Air Force division in England He met his wife June during a con cert he was performing in for the mil itary They were married in England on October 23 1945 Leonard was a musician and entertainer He per formed at DeLucas Lounge, Caucus Club Little Harry's and Yeaman's Club He was known as the Voice of Detroit He was a wonderful singer and musician he particularly enjoyed classical and big band music He was a member of the Detroit Federated Musicians Leonard was a very devoted family man and an avid supporter of his children who has chosen music professions like their father He is sur vived by his beloved wife June Randail his children Paul (Jennifer) Randali and Celia Randall-Bengry his sister in law Margery Randall and his granddaughters Grace Nichole and Mallory He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother Clyde Visitation Monday from 2 8pm with prayers at 7 30 pm at Casterline Funeral Home Inc, 122 W Dunlap Northville Memorial Service Tuesday 10 30 am at Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, 8625 East Jefferson, Detroit The family would appreciate memorial contribu tions to Leelanau Conservancy PO Box 1007 LeLand MI 49654

RICHARD J. WEBB

April 5th, 2006 Age 36 of Westland Son of Mike and Cindy Mahoney of Brooklyn and Rich and Mariene of Inkster Fiancee to Kelly Samczyk, Father to Ashley, the late Shelbey and Dustin Brother of Jackilyn (Todd) Jacobs, Sean Mahoney Brandon, and Brandi Davis Step Brother to Chad and Wendy Grandfather to Michael Funeral service at The Uht Funeral Home Westland Monday 10am Visitation at the funeral home Sat and Sun 12 9pm Burial at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West Family requests memorials to assist with funeral expenses

87, Beverly Hills, MI died Wednesday April 5, 2006, where she resided at Golden Years Assisted aving in Milford She was born April 1918, daughter of Max and Edith Schnoor She is survived by Peter, her beloved husband of of 65 years As a loving wife mother and friend, Donna s interests throughout the years led her in many directions within the Church and Community For many years she worked as a volunteer with the Pediatrics group at Henry Ford Health Systems of West Bloomfield Mother of Robert (Carol) Zemnickas of Mt Pleasant SC Gordon Zemnickas of Howell MI and adopted daughter Ann Zemnickas of Farmington Hills, MI Grandmother of Karen (Chris) Ochs of Fairborn, OH Kevin Zemnickas of Mt Pleasant SC and Mark Zemnickas of Beverly Hills MI Great Grandmother of Shane and Sarah Ochs Visitation Sunday 1 9 pm at the Sawyer Fuller Funeral Home 2125 W 12 Mile Rd (2 blocks West of Woodward) Berkley, MI Funeral Mass Monday April 10 the at 9 30 am at St Regis Catholic Church, 3691 Lincoln in Bloomfield Hills Mi Scripture serv ice Sunday at 7 pm Entombment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery Donations may be made in Donna's memory to Avalon Hospital of Flint, MI



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Benefit concert to feature one of India's leading musicians

Eastern Michigan University is presenting A.R. Rahman in concert to raise money to create opportunities for students to gain greater understanding of Indian culture and the arts Rahman is one of India's leading musicians and music director for Andrew Lloyd Webber's Bombay Dreams and the musical, Lord of the Rings The concert takes place 7 30 p m Saturday, April 15, at EMU's Convocation Center

The show, Wake Up! A.R. Rahman with 150 All Stars, brings together Rahman's works on stage through colorful costumes and set designs, along with Indian and American singers and dancers Rahman also will perform with the Global Rhythm All Stars, a group of more than 150 American artists that have performed with numerous Grammy-winning artists

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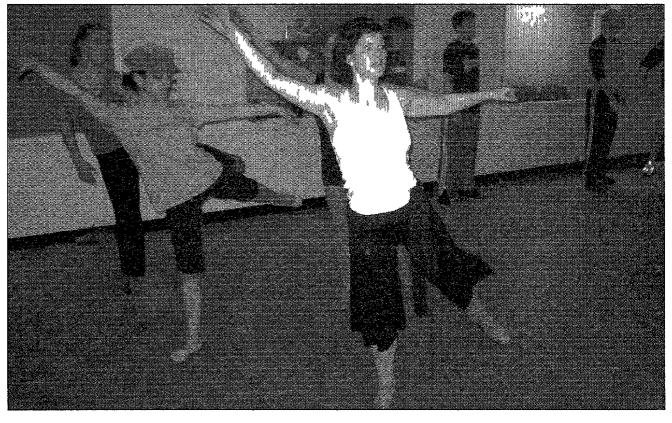
Friday, April 21*

This is a special opportunity for Eastern Michigan to reinforce its multicultural mission,' said John Fallon, EMU president. 'The engagements of these international artists on campus represents a significant opportumty for our students to experi ence important elements of Indian culture Beyond this, the funding raised will provide opportunities for student travel to India to observe and participate in the culture '

Joining Rahman on stage will be cellist VR. Sekar, founder of the Madras String Quartet, playback singer/actor Vasundhara Das, and playback singer Kailash Kher

In addition to the concert, Rahman and several guest artists will also conduct master classes at EMU, which will explore Indian film, music. drama and culture

Nicknamed the Mozart of Madras, by Time Magazine, Rahman is known for redefining FROM PAGE CI contemporary Indian music He has sold more than 100 million albums



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You re Perfect, Now Change and others The performers didn t have the benefits of a full stage, but nevertheless kept the audience entertained

A Chorus Line will be presented 8 p m April 20-22 and 2 p m April 23 at the Cherry Hill Village Theater, Ridge and Cherry Hill roads in Canton Tickets are \$22, \$19 and \$18 To obtain tickets, call (734) 394-5460

There's also a Web site for Destination Theatre, destination theatre org

Persons noted they have contacts with the Ann Arbor Civic Theatre and other groups The cast comes from Livonia, Ann Arbor, Detroit and all over

The cast has about 25 members, includ-

ing 17 lead dancers 'We originally were slated to do Jesus Christ Superstar, Persons said Rights were denied due to a nearby performance, so the new company turned to A Chorus Line

'It's familiar, it's in the American memory It's being revived on Broadway right now," he said Destination Theatre did the choir part for John Brown's Body in conunction with O Leary Productions The musical A Chorus Line will be its first large stage production

Persons said the group's not really community theater, in that it draws a number of professionals from Detroit and Ann Arbor

'We feel we're somewhere in between," Persons said

The AAUW audience appreciated the show April 1 'I wanted to have something light and fun and entertaining," said Dean, a Canton resident who plans to attend the



'A Chorus Line' will be Destination Theatre s first big stage production

show later this month

'You have some talented singers," she told Persons right after the performance at Fox Hills "I enjoyed every moment"

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The Board of Education of the Plymouth Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for the Management of School Food Service Operations for the 2006 - 2007 school year Specifications and bid forms will be available at the MANDATORY "pre bid" meeting scheduled for 10 00 a m Wednesday April 26 2006 at the Plymouth High School located at 8400 Beck Road Canton MI 48187 For further information please phone Dan Phillips Assistant Director of Finance & Purchasing at (734) 416 2746 Sealed bids are due on or before 2 00 p m Wednesday May 17th 2006 The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district

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Another world Dialysis patients put their lives on hold

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

The University of Michigan Livonia Dialysis Unit is a quiet place Many of the patients sleep away the hours they need to be hooked up to machines

Suddenly, Mary Lou Szott breezes in on her way to work and their moods brighten Szott sat in these chairs for up to 3 1/2 hours a day, three times a week, before receiving a kidney transplant from an unrelated living donor in December 2005 She understands what life is like for someone who depends on a dialysis machine to keep them alive by filtering blood as their kidneys would, if working properly

"I made some real connections with people when I was here,' said Szott, a Canton resident who now volunteers her time as a peer mentor for the unit 'I felt I might have something to offer them and learned a lot from patients as well Friendships were built'

Christy Porter smiles as Szott approaches The Westland mother has been on dialysis since she went into kidney failure while delivering her son 16 years ago Today, it's Christopher who keeps Porter going as she waits for a second transplant Porter received her first transplant in 1995, but the kidney lasted only a few months before her body rejected it.

Sometimes I read watch movies I pray a lot and chit chat with my peers Porter said They talk about their feelings and needs, whether they be dietary or whatever'



Westland resident Christy Porter is waiting for her second kidney transplant She has been on dialysis since her body rejected a kidney transplanted in 1995

Sometimes the talk turns to Chanty, the choir composed of patients, their family members and unit employees Dialysis technician Karen Schlueter of Farmington founded the group to promote the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan Porter and friends sang their first song for an audience at Schoolcraft College in March The event kicked off the May 21 walk to benefit NKF, a nonprofit dedicated to preventing kidney disease and improving the quality of life for those living with it According to the foundation, diabetes and high blood pressure are related to kidney failure Diabetes caused 44 percent of kidney failure and high blood pressure 29 percent in Michigan patients in 2004

"I m a diabetic I see this down the road, said Schlueter nodding to the patients in chairs "I work with these people every day Coming here is the hardest thing you ever have to do You give up control of your body Since starting the choir, I ve received positive responses from patients They feel they have a purpose

"Last year I got involved with the zoo walk and learned a lot about NKF," added Schlueter, U-M team captain for the walk. "I explain to patients about the foundation They help with medications when you can't afford it, promote prevention and organ donation"

Rosalind Thomas is not a candidate for transplant because of her diabetes and heart disease, but supports the efforts of the foundation The dialysis patient's daughter sonin-law and 20 grandkids have already raised \$150 for the NKF walk at the Detroit Zoo Thomas says the organization is creating awareness, not only about kid-



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Peer Mentor Mary Lou Szott talks with patient Steve Spitzer of Westland in the University of Michigan Dialysis Unit in Livonia Szott, a Canton resident, received treatment there before undergoing a kidney transplant in December 2005

ney disease, but its link to diabetes and the role nutrition plays

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I wish kids would take into consideration their diet," said Thomas of Livonia. "Kids have more junk food today"

Lupus destroyed David Lyles' kidneys years ago Today, the 34-year-old Detroit resident writes songs about organ donation while awaiting a second transplant He received his first kidney in 1995 and has been back on dialysis since 2003, for a total of 16 years Its David's dream to one day eliminate dial ysis

"The title of the song is *Reach Out and Love,*" said Lyles, who owns the production company which plans to record the song on a CD by the Charity choir "It's encouraging people to be more giving about being an organ donor"

According to Therese Adamowski a registered nurse and nurse manager of the U M Livonia Dialysis Unit 46 percent of her patients are trans plant listed The peer mentors and a recently begun support group allow all of the patients to express their feelings about dialysis and end stage renal disease

"When I started (working in the field) 19 years ago, there were fewer patients,

were rewer patients, Adamowski said "We're seeing people live longer It has a lot to do with technology Technology changed tremendously to better suit what their kidneys would do"

In January, the unit expanded from 12 to 16 chairs, which serve patients on shifts that begin at 6 a m, 9 30 a.m and 11 a.m

Dialysis is pretty devastating It changes their entire life, Adamowski said They bring in their own pillows and blankets whatever they need to make them comfortable We have people here for years, from their late 20s to mid 80s

Its a huge chunk of your life and a regimented schedule They like to sit in their particular chair

Donna Bonds hurries to respond to the beeping from one of the machines Dialysis technicians spend their days, taking blood pressure and assessing excess fluid before programming machines and hooking up patients Along the way they find themselves exchanging information about their dogs and children

I was a traveler, traveling from unit to unit I ended up staying at the Livonia clinic because everybody is like a family, said Bonds of Canton "This was more home Patients help each other out and even remember each other's birthday You get really attached to patients

For more information about the May 21 walk, call (800) 482-1455 or visit www.nkfm.org

Schlueter and the choir are doing their part by performing at area churches to raise money for the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan and to cover production costs of making the CD For more information call Schlueter at (248) 797 9499

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Give life by signing up for organ donation registry

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

Steve Spitzer passes the time by reading a book about training his dog, a Rhodesian Ridgeback. The Westland resident has been on the transplant hist 3½ years due to polycystic kidney disease For the last 18-months, he's spent four hours a day, twice a week sitting in a chair in the University of Michigan Dialysis Unit in Livonía.

'It's like a prison It's terrible I come in at 5 30 a.m.," said Spitzer "I'd like to encourage people to sign up to be an organ donor People can't use them any way when they're dead"

Mark Gravel quotes the staggering statistics from United Network for Organ Sharing 5,949 people died last year waiting for a transplant. While that figure is 12 percent less than the year before because people are signing up to donate their organs after death, transplant listed patients are still dying and that doesn't include the 1,843 who became so ill they had to be removed from the transplant list

In 2005, the University of Michigan Transplant Center worked with Grift of Life Organ, Tissue & Eye Donor Registry in Michigan and similar organizations across the country to transplant 225 kidneys, a procedure U-M physicians have done since the 1960s

April is National Donate Life Month and the need is urgent for people to sign up on the Gift of Life Registry For more information, call (800) 482-4881 or visit www.giftoflifemichigan org

Beginning Monday, April 10 and continuing through the week volunteers will be in more than 135 Secretary of State offices from 10 a m to 2 p m to pass out organ donor information

In 2005, Gift of Life Michigan reported 799 organs were retrieved from 269 donors, each of which was able to save or improve the lives of up to 50 people

72 percent of patients on the waiting list are for kidneys, said Gravel, director of organ dona tion initiatives for the U-M Transplant Center 'Kidney transplants are effective in giving patients a higher quality of life than dialysis and are more cost effective than dialysis Nationally almost half of all donations are from hving donors, the rest from people who have passed away Living donations have a higher survival rate than from dead

At the U-M Health System once a patient is evaluated to be a recipient, information is given to them on hving and deceased options Patients then talk with family If they're not able to donate for medical reasons, friends are approached

"People sometimes donate for altruistic needs because they want to help someone in need, said Gravel

Nationally over 91,000 people are waiting for a transplant and the number tends to go up We have a population that's aging and as they age there's going to be a greater need

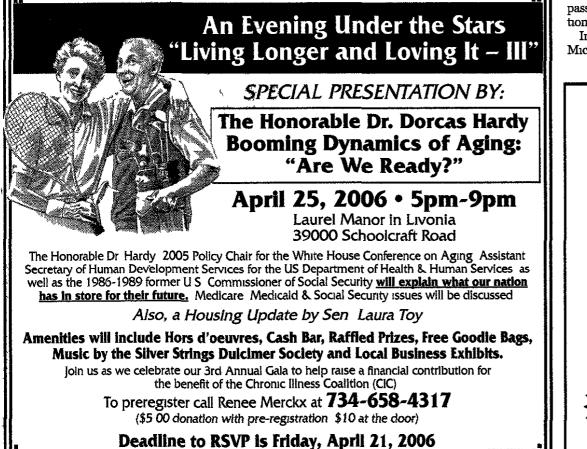
"It really takes a hero to do this Its very sad when we deal with families who have the opportunity and don't donate and their loved one goes to the grave with organs'

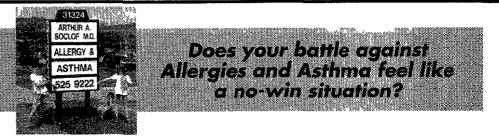
Warren Harris is usually tired on the days he comes for dialysis at the U M Health Center in Livonia. The 41-year old Belleville man has been on the transplant list since 2001 His kidneys failed because of high blood pressure 10 years ago

Harris is a tenor in Charity, a choir formed to create awareness for the National Kidney Foundation in Michigan, a nonprofit dedicated to preventing kidney disease and improving the quality of life for those living with it

"We need more donors," said Harris and for people to get more information about what we re going through

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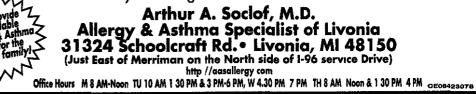




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Tips for starting a virtual business

(NAPSI) — Are you a virtual worker or thinking of becoming one? If you are, you re not alone Theres been a rise in vir tual workers of 800 percent in just the past five years (Nemertes Research 2005) A big reason for this dramatic increase is that its a great way to start a company, especially if you can work from a home office or out in the field

With that in mind, a team of experts at Hewlett-Packard came up with these five tips on how to successfully operate a business from your home

■ Make sure your business can operate "virtually' Are you meeting with contacts at your place of business or theirs? Do you spend most of your time outside the office?

Good candidates for a virtual business include architects, interior designers homebuilders, computer professionals, accountants and other service professionals whose work is actually conducted in other people's homes or businesses, ranging from cleaning services to home repair

Consider your personality Are you a self-starter or do you need inspiration from others to get things done? Do you prefer quiet time to work or do you thrive around other people who can provide reinforcement and support? Are your management skills suited for a phone



Good candidates for a virtual business include architects, interior designers, homebuilders computer professionals, accountants and other service professionals.

based relationship with your remote team?

■ Hire the right people Do you have trustworthy employees who can get the job done, even if they are not physically in the same office? How much of their work is actually done outside the office? Do you have access to a mature talent pool of potential employees if you are just starting out or planning to expand?

Leverage technology Go

wireless and take security to heart. Do you have the technology in place to support a virtual business or a good technology adviser who can help wire your business for success? Have you considered streamlining your office with an all-in-one faxprinter-copier, notebooks, PDAs and a wireless LAN network? Fight security threats with antivirus, vulnerability and business protection solutions to protect your data and secure your networked PCs For added security, think about connecting through a wireless virtual private network (VPN) and watch your productivity expand

Did you know that with Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) you can place a call anywhere in the world from an Internet connection without incurring longdistance fees? Even away from the home office, your employees can tap into WiFi networks at Internet cafes Thanks to technology, many virtual companies have the face of a traditional company — yet operate with lower overhead and greater flexibility to stay competitive

Create an online storefront and take advantage of e-commerce An online presence can give your business the appearance of a traditional brick-andmortar company Small companies can grow into larger companies with an effective virtual business strategy

Saving jobs for heroes

(NAPSI) — One of the best ways to honor America's returning war heroes — and uphold the law — may be to give these veterans their jobs back

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"We support our National Guard and Reserves and want them to defend us, but when they come home and find their job gone, that doesn't seem very American to me," said James Randles, national commander of the Military Order of the Purple Heart, a service organization of combat-wounded veterans "American business owners need to honor returning combat wounded, not turn them away"

For more information, visit www.purpleheart.org



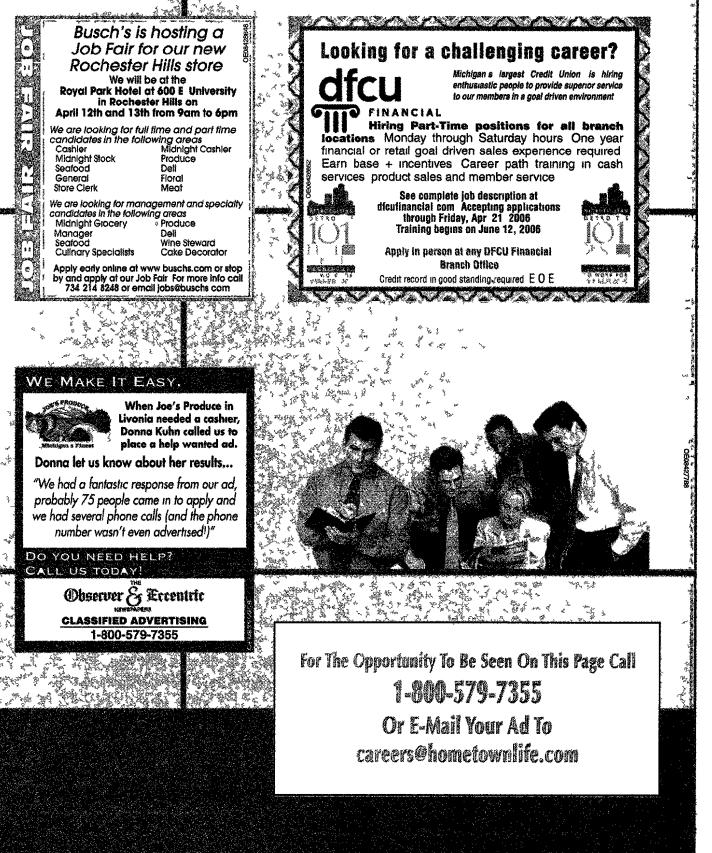
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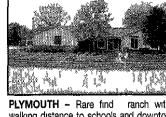
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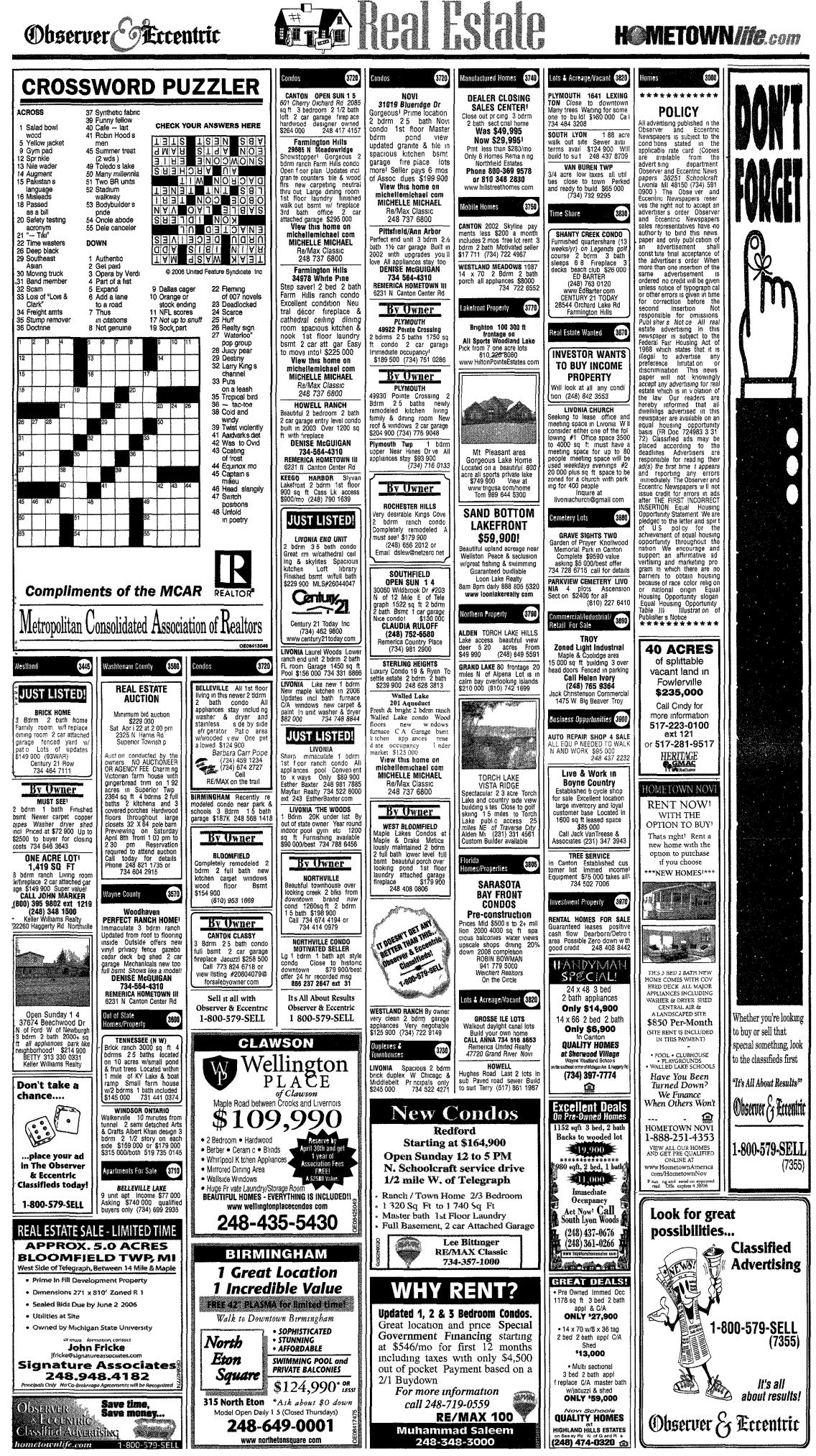
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Redwood 'shade shelters' cool summer's sizzle

(NewsUSA) — During the gray days of winter and early spring, memories of cookouts and days by the pool keep us going until summer returns What we fail to remember, however, are the things that keep us from enjoying the precious summer months namely, scorching heat and annoying insects

A well-planned redwood "shade shelter" can solve these problems, allowing you to enjoy more of summer's fun in comfort What's more, you can build it yourself and save money

Your redwood shade shelter can be free-standing over a deck or patio or it can be attached to the house It can be a simple structure, consisting of just redwood rafters that support a vine or climbing plant, or it can be a completely enclosed and bugproof garden room

Redwood is especially good for shelters because its inherent For details, send \$1 to: California Redwood Association, Dept. ACS-05, 405 Enfrente Drive, Suite 200, Novato, CA 94949. Visit www.calredwood.org for more information.

stability keeps posts, beams and joists from twisting or splitting Because it comes in a variety of dimensions, you can always find the size and shape you need, from timbers to boards and lattice panels

Plus, for the do-it-yourselfer, redwood is the easiest material to work with because it has no toxic chemicals and is easy to handle, saw and nail You should use only non-corrosive hardware and fasteners to prevent staining and rusting And if you plan to paint your shelter, it will be easier if you prime all edges, ends and sides before beginning construction

Be sure to check with your local building department before beginning any homeremodeling project to determine if a permit is required or if there are any special building codes for your community If you would like to build a redwood shade shelter, the California Redwood Association has a pamphlet with basic instructions, a materials list and helpful hints about selecting proper grades of wood, hardware and finishes

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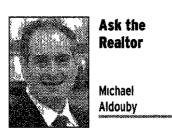
Redwood is an especially good material for building a shade shelter.

Sign of the times: Keep the lawn sign when selling your house

I am going to sell my house, but I don't want my neighbors to know. Do I need to have a lawn sign?

can understand your concern regarding nosy neighbors and wanting to keep the knowledge of selling your house from them This is very difficult to do

It's very hard to effectively sell a house without a lawn sign In fact, the majority of inquiries regarding a house usually come from the sign Once there is a sign call it s then up to your agent to con-



vert those calls to showings, and then hopefully to a sale

Part of marketing a house is letting as many people know about it as possible This is especially critical in this slower market The more exposure your house has to buyers, the more likely of finding a buyer who is willing to pay you what it is you want for the house The fewer people that know your house is for sale, the less likely it will be to find a good buyer

What I do as well is to send mailings regarding my client's house into the neighborhood Many people move into a particular area because they have friends or family in that subdivision Obviously, if your neighbors don t know that your house is for sale, they can't suggest that a family Your neighbors may get the idea that the house is for sale anyway, when they see a man or a woman in a suit leading a couple. If they are indeed nosy they will realize pretty soon that your house is on the market.

member look at your house Your neighbors may get the idea that the house is for sale anyway, when they see a man or a woman in a suit leading a couple If they are indeed nosy they will realize pretty soon that your house is on the market In fact, one of the reasons you could be selling your house is to get away from these neighbors Remember though that once you sell your house, you no longer have to deal with them

The lawn sign is crucial to getting your house sold

Unfortunately, you can't have everything You can pick to not have your lawn sign in front of your house However, that choice could mean that it could take a lot longer to sell your house and may end up costing you a lot of money

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This berry looks as good as it tastes

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Economical to build and maintain, this threebedroom home combines excellent use of the available space with an easy flow of movement throughout the entire floor design

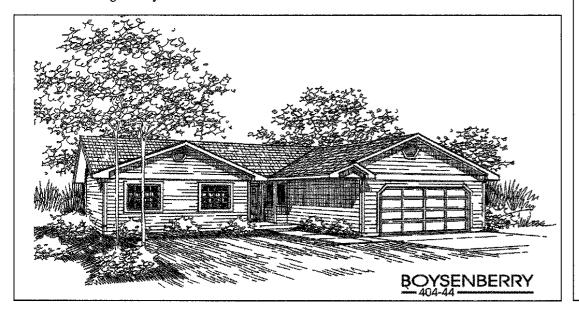
A covered walk leads to a recessed entry that welcomes visitors into this contemporary home The sleeping areas are all concentrated on the left side of the home

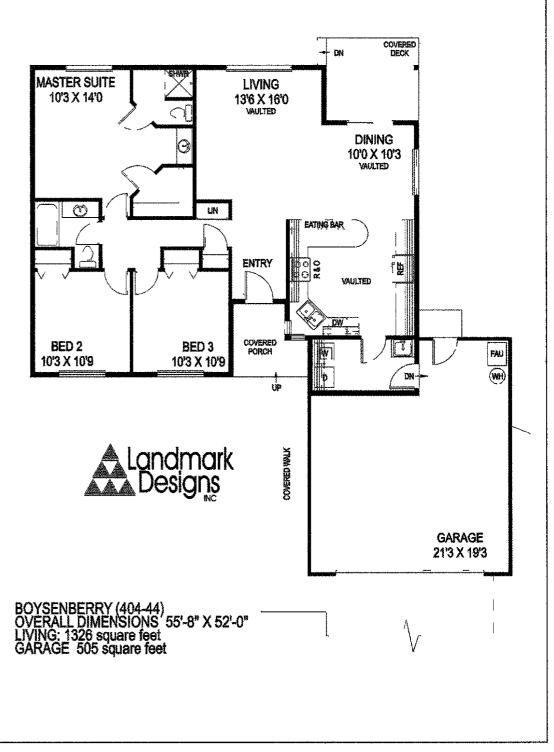
Two identical bedrooms face the front They are close enough to the master suite for concerned parents to easily check on younger children For a young family, perhaps one of these bedrooms can be made into a nursery and the other into a sewing room, musical study, or a small home office The choice is yours

Immediately to the right of the entry is the kitchen It has all the qualities that a conscientious host would consider essential Meals may be prepared and served with the cook of the household not having to miss out on any of the fun The kitchen features a full range of built-in appliances The dining area and living room are open, providing ample room for entertaining The walk-through utility makes the 505 Two identical bedrooms face the front. They are close enough to the master suite for concerned parents to easily check on younger children. For a young family, perhaps one of these bedrooms can be made into a nursery and the other into a sewing room, musical study, or a small home office.

square foot, two-car garage, accessible from inside the home

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Executive image seminar, "Negotiation Skills," 8 30-10 a.m Wednesday, April 19, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills Speakers will be Janine LaPorte and Rick Weaver of Executive Image Group Fees, including continental breakfast, are \$40 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members, \$60 for nonmembers and guests To register, call (248) 862-1033

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Oakland Builders Institute will offer the following classes Livonia Community Education in cooperation with the institute will offer an eighthour seminar, "Basement Remodeling," 6-10 p m Monday/Wednesday, April 24 and 26, at Holmes Middle School, 16200 Newburgh, Livonia It is designed to help people make better use of space by planning and completing a remodeling Cost is \$101 plus \$10 for textbook and materials payable to teacher Spouses discount is half of the tuition Pre-registration by Thursday, April 20, to Livonia Community Education (734) 744-2602

Henry Ford Community College in cooperation with the institute will offer an eighthour seminar, "Basement Remodeling," 6-10 p m Tuesday/Thursday, April 25 and 27, at the Dearborn Heights campus, 22586 Ann Arbor Trail Cost is \$95 for residents plus \$10 for textbook and materials, or \$104 for nonresidents plus \$10 for textbook and materials Spouse's discount is half of the tuition Pre-registration by Friday, April 21, to Henry Ford Community College (313) 317-1500

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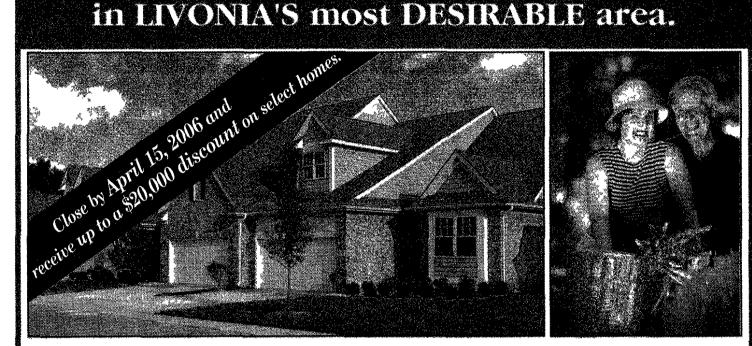
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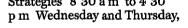


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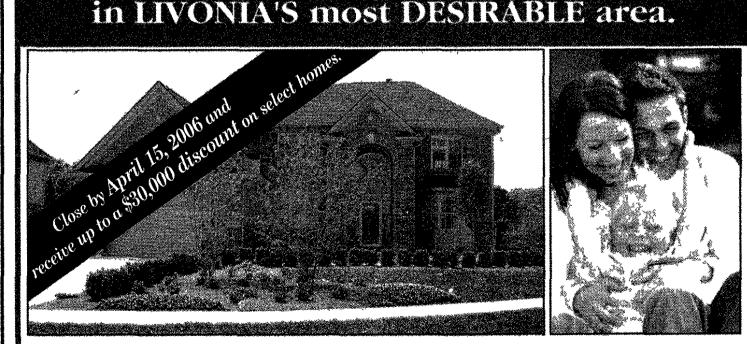
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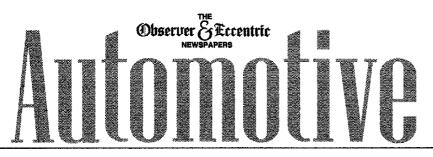
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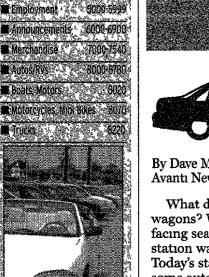
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Advertising Feature





By Dave Menard Avantı NewsFeatures

What do you think of when you think of station wagons? Wood paneling along the sides? Reverse facing seats in the rear? That was your daddy's station wagon, and there aren't any of those left Today's station wagons are a bit more stylish and some automakers, like Dodge, market their station wagon as a muscle car

Volvo, meanwhile, has set up its V50 T5 as a "premium compact Activity Sportswagon," (as opposed to a regular old compact Activity Sportswagon, I suppose) Cutting through the marketing jargon, I can tell you that if you already like the way Volvos look and feel, you'll find a lot to like in the V50 T5 For those non-Volvo fans that have based their feelings on what Volvos were like several years ago, you might find the V50 T5 is a stylish wagon with decent performance and worth a test drive

For the last few years, Volvo has been working to make its cars less boxy with more stylish lines, and the V50 T5 is one of the models that has benefited The lines are smoother and I really like the way the lines move from the front doors to the grille

The grille is unmistakably a Volvo, and the rectangular headlamps, with rounded corners, are quite attractive I look at the front straight on and I see a cat-type face – but then maybe I have issues Fog lamps are included, as are 16" alloy wheels (17" wheels are part of an option package), color-coordinated bumper and body-side moldings Any good station wagon should have roof rails - unfortunately, they are an option on this one

Inside, the V50 T5 provides a nice driving environment The instrument panel is simple and



climate control 2006 Volvo V50 T5. Type: Wagon. Where built: Ghent, Belgium. EPA: 22/31. Base price: \$27,840 Price as tested: \$31,055

housed in a center panel that is actually not flush with the dash. it's designed that way to provide storage space behind the panel The power seats (heated seats are optional) provide good support and the rear seats fold down for more cargo space (after all, this is a wagon) There are cupholders in the center console and front seat back storage pockets

systems are

There's plenty of room in the V50 T5, and 62 9 cubic feet of cargo space with the rear seats folded down

Cruise control is standard, as are automatic climate control, power windows and locks, a power tailgate release, trip computer, rear window defroster, and a 12-volt outlet in the rear cargo area A security system that includes an engine immobilizer is included and a navigation system can be ordered as an option

Station wagon acoustics can be tough, but the audio system is a little disappointing The standard system is an AM/FM/CD system with six speakers and rated at 100 watts The sound is a bit wanting - muddy bass and no high end to speak of, no matter what I did with the tone controls On the plus side, you can control the system from controls built into the steering wheel Volvo offers an optional system with a six-CD changer, Dolby Pro-Logic with digital sound processor, 12 speakers and a 325-watt amplifier I haven't heard it, but if audio is important, you might want to look at that system instead

The V50 T5 is powered by a 2 5-liter DOHC

inline turbocharged five-cylinder engine Rated at 218 hp and 236 lb -ft of torque, the engine is mated with a six-speed manual transmission, but a five-speed automatic "auto-stick" transmission is optional (at about \$1200) The automatic worked very well with the turbocharged engine and acceleration is pretty good. The engine is rated at 22/31 . and it does require premium fuel

Ride and handling on the V50 T5 is very good The front suspension system consists of MacPherson struts with coil-over spring and stabilizer bar In the rear, it's a multi-link independent system with coil springs and stabilizer bar Stability traction control is standard, as are fourwheel anti lock brakes The power-assisted steering makes the car easy to handle and it's easy to maneuver into parking spaces

Volvo's reputation was made on safety features and the V50 T5 has 'em Side-impact airbags for the driver and front passenger, side-impact protection system, integrated child booster seats, anti-submarine seats, and inflatable side curtain are all included

The front-wheel drive 2006 Volvo V50 T5 (which can also be ordered as an all-wheel drive model) starts at about \$28,000 Add the automatic transmission, and you're a little over \$29,000 How's that for a "premium compact Activity Sportswagon," or whatever it's called? Write Dave Menard at avanti1054@aol com <mailto avanti1054@aol com

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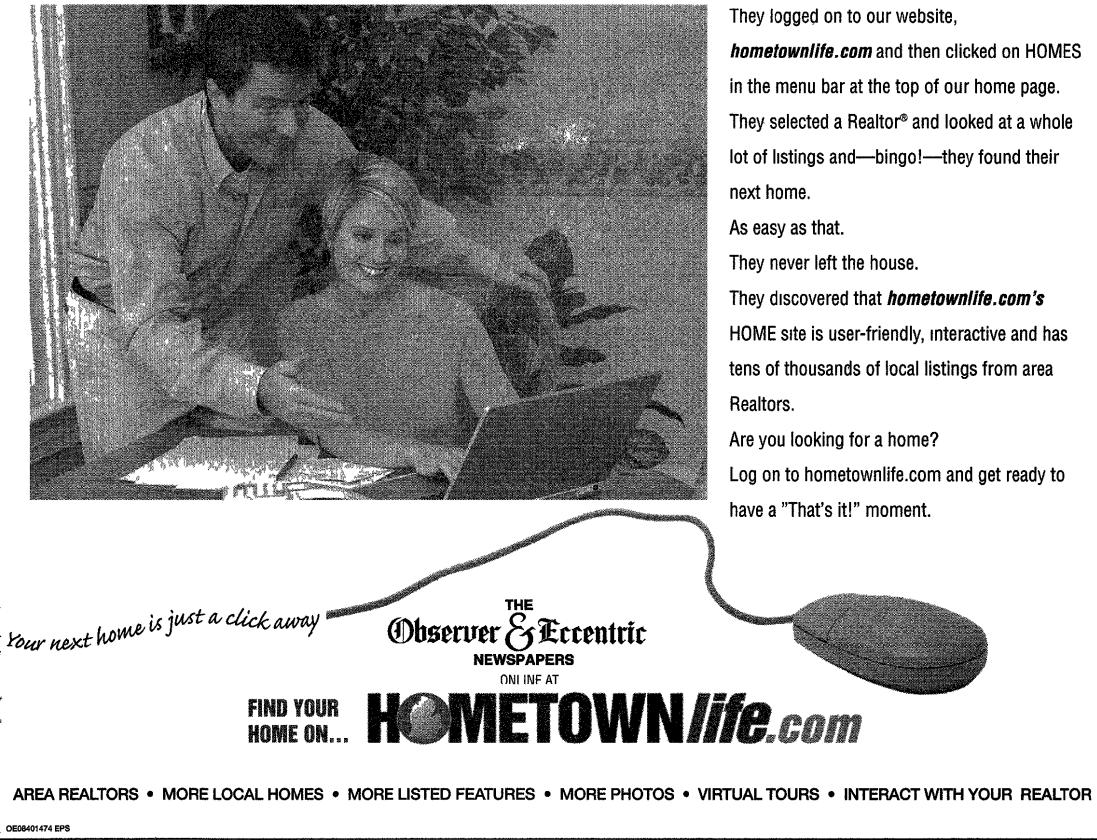


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