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Hall bid withdrawal could cost township

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

When Capital Acquisitions & Development of Bloomfield Hills bid \$4 2 million for the existing township hall property, township Clerk Marilyn Massengill warned everyone not to start counting the money before the deal closed

Turns out Massengill was prophet-

Township officials are now scrambling over the sale of the property after Tom Kato of Capital Acquisitions submitted a letter withdrawing the \$4 2 million bid the Board of Trustees accepted last month

Kato told board members at their last meeting he was having trouble finding tenants despite dropping the price per square foot from \$29 to \$20

Though Kato did not return calls seeking comment, according to minutes of the board meeting he told board members he thought the location of the complex, with its high visibility on Ann Arbor Road, would allow him to command the rents and economics to pay \$4 2 million for the property

It turned out not to be true, he told the board, and he submitted a letter withdrawing the bid While the amount of any subsequent bid is not yet known, the second-highest bid the first time around was a \$3 2 million offer from the original House of Pancakes, represented by Commercial Real Estate Services of Plymouth

After Kato pulled his bid, the board decided to reopen talks with the other

bidders

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120 years

'The board wanted to notify the other bidders the original high bidder wants to revise his bid and see if they want to revise theirs," township Supervisor Richard Reaume said

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The money from the sale, whenever, it closes, will be used to offset the

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The sales staff at Don Massey Cadillac took the unusual step this week of voting to join the Teamsters after the new owners instituted a new pay plan

Massey sales staff

What's in a name?

Candidates hope familiarity breeds election success

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Some candidates running for public office hope family names connote good things - including votes - headed into the campaign season with August primaries and the November general election

Running for office with a recogniza ble last name could be a plus, but only if it brings positive reactions from voters who remember those family members who previously held or currently hold public office

Beth Stewart, Republican candidate for the 20th House seat, believes the current office holder — Rep John Stewart, R-Plymouth Township - has done an exceptional job the past six years, and that is a positive in efforts to succeed her term-limited husband in Lansing "Name identification is a big thing, and a lot of people ask if I'm related (to John),' said Stewart "A lot of people, who don't understand term limits, ask if I'm running against him "John's been out there meeting and greeting and doing things in the community, and I get people telling me all the time he calls them back and answers their e-mails," she said "I think they hope I would continue to do the same thing, if I'm elected' Mention the name Jerry Vorva, and you most likely will get a positive or negative reaction to someone wellknown for speaking his mind Vorva has a long legacy in Plymouth, serving as a city commissioner, a state representative and as the main plaintiff in a lawsuit that held up, for several years, the bond issue that eventually built Plymouth High School and Discovery

Middle School

Vorva's 31-year-old son, Jason, 1s also a candidate for the 20th House seat And the elder Vorva isn't sure how the surname will affect his son's run for state office

"I don t know if it will help him or harm him," Vorva said "But, I think with a familiar name, it will cause voters to inquire about him, as opposed to someone with an unfamiliar name"

Jason Vorva thinks his dad s name and reputation will generate some votes

I think it's a plus because you're known for saying exactly what you think," said Jason Vorva "I consider it a huge plus, and accept the label of

FAMILIAR NAMES

Several candidates are hoping familiar names can help lead them to election success (the current politician on the left the hopeful on the right)



votes to join union

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Car sales representatives unhappy with pay cuts instituted by corporate owners at Don Massey Cadillac in Plymouth Township have voted to be represented by the Teamsters union

Sales reps voted 10-5 Wednesday to join Teamsters Local 283 in Wyandotte in an effort to stop the pay cuts, which at least one salesperson said could cost him nearly half his \$150,000 annual earnings.

The only other car dealership in the tri-county area with unionized sales personnel is Dick

Genthe Chevrolet in Southgate A Teamsters official says while it's not unusual for mechanics, body shop and parts personnel to unionize, very few car sales representatives in the country have gone that route

Massey sales representatives, who asked not to be identified for fear of repercussions, said the cut in pay began immediately after Sonic Automotive, Inc. in Charlotte, NC - one of the largest automotive retailers in the country in more than a dozen states - bought Don Massey's 16 dealerships in 2002, including

PLEASE SEE MASSEY, A10

straight-talker

James Plakas surname is well-known around political circles Plakas, a Northville resident seeking a 35th District Court judgeship in Plymouth, said he's often drawn into conversations about his father and uncle Father Angelo Plakas has been practicing law since 1969 and is the city attorney for Westland Uncle Jim Plakas was a city councilman and mayor in Garden City before being elected to represent the 16th House District in Lansing

"Without a question it's a positive thing," said James Plakas "They have been very good at what they do, and very well-liked and respected So, it can only benefit me'

Others running for office with familiar last names include Ron Lowe, who is seeking re-election as 35th District Court judge His dad was a former Plymouth city attorney, a position Ron Lowe also held before being elected to the bench

PLEASE SEE CANDIDATES, A10

City commission State rep

State rep hopeful



John Stewart

State representative

Beth Stewart State rep hopeful



James Plakas **35th District Court**

Angelo Plakas Westland attorney hopeful

Senior Expo at Schoolcraft aims to highlight services, products

The Observer S Eccentric Newspapers and Schoolcraft College present the third annual Senior Citizens Expo 9 a m to 1 p m Wednesday in the college's VisTaTech Center

More than 30 exhibitors of products and services aimed at consumers age 55 and older along with fitness sessions featuring strength training and yoga are on tap

"Although designed for consumers age 55 and older, it's also a resource for the younger - sandwich - generation," said Cathy Young, O&E promotions manager and coordinator of this year's event

Expo visitors can also enter to win a seven-night cruise western Caribbean for two on board the Royal Caribbean Voyager of the Seas courtesy of the Exchange Club of Livonia Fundraising Cruise The ship sails from Miami Jan 13 Stops include Grand Cayman, Cozumel and more Reservations are handled by CruiseOne

Expo admission and parking are free Entertainment by the Cliff Monear Trio with jazz vocalist Barbara Ware and The Car Tunes Barbershop quartet starts at 10 30 a.m

Fitness and wellness sessions planned include Forever Fit for Seniors taught by Mindy Hopkins at 9 a.m , Yoga Chair Exercise taught by Karen Farkas at 10 a m , Senior Strength Training by Nancy Klein at 11 am and Tap Dancing taught by Shirley Rebeck at 11 45 a m

A moderately priced breakfast and/or lunch will be available in Henry's Cafe in the VIsTaTech Center

Exhibitors scheduled to appear include Allied Home Mortgage, American Diabetic Supply, Atlas Gutter Helmet, Botsford Senior Community, Canadian Drugs USA, CruiseOne,

Estate Planning Legal, Erickson Communities/Fox Run and Henry Ford Village, Evola Music, Exchange Club of Livonia, Gregg Chiropractic, Hear USA, Hearing Centers of Marshall Field's, Heartland Health Center-University, Heartland West Bloomfield, Home First Certified Communities, Hugg Center for Hearing/Personalized Hearing Care, Hutcheson Manor Residential Care Inc.

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Michigan, S Keith-Flanagan Agency/Farm Bureau Insurance, Singh/Waltonwood, St Mary Mercy Hospital, Stu Evans Lincoln-Mercury, Sunrise Medical Equipment Inc., Sunrise Senior Living, University of Michigan Eye Center, United Way of Southeast Michigan and West Haven Manor

Schoolcraft College and the VisTaTech Center are at 18600 Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile in Livonia

For more information, visit the Seniors Expo site at www.hometownlife com





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LOCAL NEWS





Let there be light

Ann Arbor Road-Ridge to get full signal

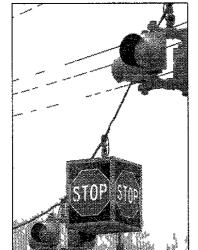
BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

When Shelly McGue leaves her home in the Plymouth Commons subdivision, she generally avoids the intersection at Ann Arbor Road and Ridge, especially when she has her children in the car

McGue, and many other residents who routinely must face the traffic problems at that intersection, have for years exhorted state, county and township officials to do something about the intersection, which features 55 mph speeds and sees its share of near-misses with little or no traffic regu lation

The Michigan Department of Transportation installed a flashing light there two years ago, with a yellow caution light for east-west traffic on Ann Arbor Road, and a red signal for north-south traffic on Ridge, but residents in the area still clamored for a fully signalized signal

After earlier in the week say ıng a full sıgnal wouldn t do much good because Ann Arbor Road is one lane in each direc tion, MDOT officials reversed themselves Thursday and agreed to put a full traffic sig



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By Tuesday afternoon, this four way stop had been replaced by the original vellow flashing signal for east and west bound traffic on Ann Arbor Road

nal there af " meeting with city and township officials

According to township treasurer Ron Edwards, who was at the meeting, MDOT agreed to put the light up temporarily to help with traffic congestion being caused in no small part by drivers using Ann Arbor Road to escape construction on M 14

'We re very excited about

that, McGue said Friday 'We call it the death corner I avoid it because most of the time I ve got my kids in the car and I m afraid of getting hit People fly through there, and I ve seen too many accidents You feel like you're taking a risk to make a left at that intersec tion

MDOT officials told the city and township "it would take two or three weeks,' to get the full traffic signal up, according to Edwards

The decision came after reaction to MDOTs move last week of changing the caution light on Ann Arbor Road to a flashing stop light, turning the intersection into a four-way stop Traffic backed up in both directions, at times as far back as Pioneer Middle School for westbound traffic

MDOT officials didn t return calls seeking comment, but Edwards said residents flooded township hall, MDOT and even the governors office with complaints

It's a great thing, and (the decision) was made because of the residents. Edwards said They made hundreds of calls The residents got this done

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Feds indict La Shish owners

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

Officials for the La Shish restaurant chain said Thursdays arrest of the company's financial manager, and arrest warrants issued for the chain's owner, won't have any effect on plans to expand the chain

A 39-year old Plymouth woman was arrested Thursday after federal charges were unsealed in Detroit against the owner and financial manager of the La Shish restaurant chain

The indictments charge Elfat El Aouar the chains financial manager, and her husband La Shish owner Talal Khalil

Chahine, 51 of Dearborn Heights on charges they evaded paying taxes on an estimat ed \$16 million in alleged undisclosed income

El Aouar was arrested Thursday morning at her home in Plymouth and arraigned Thursday afternoon US District Court Magistrate Donald Scheer ordered her released on a \$100 000 unse cured bond which included several restrictions, including 24 hour a day house arrest

According to Gina Balaya spokesperson for the US Attorney Chahine is believed to be in I ebanon A warrant has been issued for his arrest

Authorities say the couple skimmed money from the restaurants during a four year period 2000-03 The indict ment alleges the couple main tained a double set of comput erized books, records and bal ance reports one actual and one altered

According to authorities the altered records artificially reduced the amount of cash actually received by the restau rants The indictment charges Chahine and El Aouar over saw the maintenance of the double set of books as well as the skimming and conceal ment of more than \$16 million in cash





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- Kay Swenders Canton, MI

Midnight run helps thieves swipe car

COP CALLS

A Farmbrook resident discovered May 12 that his car had been stolen from the driveway of his Farmbrook home

The homeowner told Plvmouth Township police he parked his car around 11 p m the night before and when he came out seven hours later, it was gone There was no indication of broken glass, so the method of the theft was unknown The homeowner told police he woke up around 3 a m to the sound of drilling, but thought it was construc tion workers on the expressway Police have no suspects in the theft

Stolen accordion

A Colorado man phone in a report to Plymouth Township police that an accordion had been stolen from his car

The man had been vacationing in Plymouth and drove in his rental car to eat at Three Brothers Restaurant in Plymouth Township The man thinks the accordion was stolen out of the rental car at that time

Police have no suspects in

the theft Fire runs

The Plymouth Community Fire Department responded to the following runs during the period May 10-16

Tuesday, May 16 -Downed wires at Selective and Sheldon, residential rescue runs on Newporte, on Haggerty on Pine and on Maria, carbon monoxide detector run on Evergreen

Monday, May 15 - Rescue run to a public building/school on Church, residential rescue run on Margurite, vehicle acci dents at Ann Arbor Road and Haggerty and on southbound I-275 at M-14

🔳 Sunday May 14 — Residential rescue runs on Winesap, on Northville Road and on Morrison. downed wires on JoAnn Lane

Saturday, May 13 --Residential rescue runs on Morrison, on Joy, on Sheridan, on Northern, on Northville Road on Haggerty and on Shadywood, rescue run to a

DEATHS

Kizer 61 of Rochester died May 15

Myers 87 of Canton died May 16

Raymond L Kizer Jr

Fred G Myers

public building/school on Beck, vehicle accident with wash-down at southbound I-275 and M-14, vehicle fire on southbound I-275 south of 5 Mile

Friday, May 12 — Residential rescue runs on Sheridan, on Hartsough and on Holbrook, commercial rescue run on Main, vehicle accident with wash-down on northbound I-275 at Ann Arbor Road, vehicle accidents on 5 Mile at Robinwood and on Ann Arbor Road at Haggerty

Thursday, May 11 --Downed wires at Joy and Cobblestone, commercial rescue runs on Main, on Sheldon and on Ann Arbor Road, residential rescue runs on Briarwood, on Lalley and on Ann

🗰 Wednesday, May 10 — Residential rescue runs on Treemont, on Red Maple and on Tavistock, vehicle accidents with wash-down at Beck and N Territorial and at Ann Arbor Road and Ridge, rescue run to a public building/school on Ann Arbor Road, rescue run on Haggerty, downed wires on Church

Smiglel 54 formerly of Rochester

Szumlinski 67 of Rochester Hills died

Robert S Smiglel

Hills died May 4

Virginia M. Szumlinski

Mary E Cercena Cercena 77 of Rochester died May 9 Carolyn J Cragen Cragen 73 of Rochester Hills died May 10

Albert B Firth Jr Firth 83 of Rochester Hills died May 16

Dorothy E Payne Payne 73 of Rochester Hills died May 15

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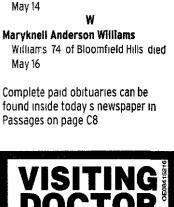
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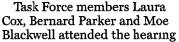
Mental health consumers There's another answer should be the top priority

n Wednesday, speaker after speaker came forward to support the creation of an independent Detroit Wayne County Mental Health Authority

County Commissioner Phil Cavanagh brought the second of three public hearings by the Wayne County Commission Task Force on Mental Health to the Livonia Civic Center

The Task Force is getting public response to creating an independent authority in the hopes of preventing the state Legislature from cutting anywhere from \$30 million (Senate bill) to \$50 million (House bill) in state and federal funding for the county's Mental Health Agency

Cavanagh expects the commission to move forward with an authority



County Executive Robert Ficano is opposed to an independent authority and favors

changing the composition of the current Mental Health Board Currently the county Mental

Health Board has 12 members, six appointed by the mayor of Detroit and six by the county executive (with approval of the commission)

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Ficano wants the county to have an extra seat on the board and final authority over the operations of the Detroit Wayne County Mental Health Agency He argues that the county puts up matching funding and has fiduciary responsibili-

Meanwhile, "transitional executive director" Richard Visingardi is on "administrative leave" until his contract runs out in June following a public disagreement with Ficano about how much money is at stake because the county failed to spend state and federal monies That figure runs as high as \$228 million to as low as \$8 million

As several speakers mentioned, the directors position has been a revolving door with eight directors in 10 years under Ficano and former County Executive Edward McNamara

The two sides in this political debate were represented by two Mental Health Board members Gary Burtka, an Allen Park councilman, was

appointed to the board by Ficano 10 months ago He praised the hard work" of the agency

"An authority is not necessary," he said "There are ways to make improvements without an authority An authority does not ensure that checks and balances are in place'

His was the minority view Wednesday Constance Rawley was appointed to the Mental Health Board in 1998 by then Mayor Dennis Archer and reappointed by Mayor Kwame Kılpatrıck (whose father, Bernard Kılpatrıck, is the chairman of the Mental Health Board)

'When leadership changes, it creates uncer tainty, she said We re not dealing with widgets, we re dealing with people An authority is the one solution for this community

Advocates and consumers of mental health programs rose to support an authority and the work of Visingardi, including his plans for streamlining operations at the agency

One mental health professional said, A highly qualified person would have to think long and hard before taking the job of director of the agency'

But the most poignant comments came from those who need the mental health agency and the services it provides

"How is it going to work for us?' one asked Is it to be allocating the money for the things people in mental health need?'

A man who's mother and child had both been mentally ill said, When you use the services, you feel you're begging

Teresa Blossom, spokeswoman for the Mental Health Agency, said in an interview last week that Ficano "wants the system to be the best that ıt can be"

In 2003, Ficano worked with Kilpatrick and Gov Jennifer Granholm in creating a Detroit Wayne County Health Authority to provide physical health care for the uninsured and the underinsured It was a major goal early in his administration and it was the right thing to do

The circumstances are different Ficano is trying to protect control of county funds There are also questions about what happens to county jobs under an independent authority

It won t be easy for the commission to craft legislation that answers those ticklish problems

But it seems that the state Legislature is not going to back away from this issue and that a governor caught between a Democratic mayor and a Democratic county executive in an election year is not going to be too happy about sticking her neck out with another veto

Blossom said Ficano wants a 'local solution That solution cannot be to continue pushing for a county controlled department when the opposition to that plan is so overwhelming

As Ficano knows, this is not and should not be about power politics Its about people with serious needs

They need the stability of a mental health agency that isn t constantly at the center of a political whirlwind

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to the question of praying

here seems to be an awful lot of praying going on in Troy

In the past few weeks, there have been three prayer ceremonies in the city and it has been a subject of controversy for months

Prayer is a good thing, I guess It can soothe the soul and provide comfort in times of need

But I know an even better thing to do than pray Try this

Get off your lazy butt and do it yourself Let me repeat that

Get Off Your Lazy Butt And Do It Your Self Period



Now, before you swoon with furious un-Christian anger, let me explain a bit I know something of prayer I went to Catholic school for 12 years We prayed a lot We prayed for the pope We prayed for the pastor We prayed for the

priests and nuns We prayed for our parents We

even prayed for the type of person I grew up to be

We went to church six days a week, including 7 a m Mass on Sunday, not to mention participating in the Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent, May procession, Mass on various feast days and all manner of other occasions

I prayed for the end of the school day every day

We said the 'Our Father (The Lords Prayer), Hail Mary, Apostles Creed and said the rosary piously

If prayers were nickels, I d still be living off the income generated all those years ago But prayers aren't nickels Nor are they something to be tossed around like loose change

Prayers, from what I gathered over the years really have no meaning unless they are treated as something special - not as tools of personal politics or philosophy or as a means of dividing people - but as a serious way of communicating with God

Which brings me back to my proposed alternative I think God is far too busy maintaining the vastness of the universe to listen to trivial prayers Even more important, I think God really doesn t want to offer help unless we show good faith in ourselves That means getting off your lazy butt and doing it yourself

Don't pray for world peace Do treat

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your neighbors as God wants you to Don t pray for understanding Do talk to

each other in a civil and respectful manner Don't pray for the government Do

change it Get out there and vote and recruit the candidates who will do the best job for all of us, even those who don't pray Don t pray for the forgiveness of your

sins Just don't sin, or at least make the best effort you can not to

There is a place for prayer When you're waiting for the results of your biopsy, prayer seems perfectly appropriate There . are things that are totally out of our control that could warrant God's intervention

But the reality is that we control our destiny for the most part We choose to do right or wrong, and prayer has nothing to do with those choices And if we make a bad choice, we have the obligation to live with the consequences, not pray for God to fix the mess we made

As for prayer breakfasts, lunches or dinners and big public demonstrations of prayer and the National Day of Prayer, again I say Get off your lazy butt and do it yourself

Instead of devoting your energy to putting on a big show, do something truly meaningful Live your life in the way God intended That's far more important than mumbling words and showing people just how wonderfully pious you are

I really don t think God is impressed with a big show He/she can see through that

So if you really want to live as God wants and fulfill the real meaning of prayer, get off your lazy butt and do it yourself

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MASSEY FROM PAGE A1

the one on Ann Arbor Road near I-275

"When Sonic bought out Mr Massey four years ago, they came in and cut our pay pretty drastically," said one 20-year sales representative

"On March 2, after telling us we were the No 1 Cadıllac dealer in the world for two months in a row, they blindsided us with a new pay plan They made us sign an agreement, and said if we didn t, get out"

According to at least two sales representatives, while working for Massey they received \$500 per vehicle sold to General Motors employees and family members, which they claim typify more than 90 percent of the dealerships business, 30 percent on any aftermarket profits, plus a demonstration car to drive

"After Sonic came in, they immediately cut it to \$400 a

car and 25 percent," said a sales rep, "and they took away the demo car, cut health benefits and vacation time In March, they lowered the cut to \$200 a vehicle and 10 percent Under Mr. Massey, in a

good month I could sell 18-22 cars and make close to \$150,000,' he said 'Now, I'd have to sell 40 cars, and that's just not going to happen I'll be lucky to make \$70,000 There are sales people selling less expensive cars at other dealerships that are making more money than I am now

Neither Don Massey General Manager Dan Kilmer nor Sonic attorney Gerald Coker returned telephone calls to the Observer for comment

Another 20-year sales rep, who said he expects his \$100,000 earnings to be cut by at least 20 percent with the new pay plan, said there were fears among sales personnel that without a union, there could be more pay cuts

"I talked to a store in Orlando that Mr Massey owned, and they said they've

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Those plans are on hold now,

as Capital Acquisitions waits to

go back before the planning

commission Massengill said

she's concerned about the

had three pay cuts with Sonic. and we didn't want that to happen," he said "We're making below average for a Cadillac dealer, and we're the top Cadillac dealership in the world"

As an example, according to one of the salesmen, under Massey's ownership the sale of a \$77,000 Cadillac XLR twoseat sports car earned a commission of \$1,200

Under the new plan, that same sale would net a paycheck of \$480

Gary Martin, union steward for the sales representatives at Genthe, said he was consulted by Massey sales reps before they decided to unionize

"I was totally shocked at what their commission was for selling \$50,000-\$60,000 vehicles," said Martin 'It's unscrupulous

Genthe's sales staff has been unionized since the 1970s, and Martin said the three-year contracts have worked well for them

"The pay scale is competitive and guaranteed, and every-

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thing is in writing," Martin said 'We don't come to work in the morning and find out the boss has cut our pay

Teamsters Local 283 organızer Todd Lince said the unionization of sales reps at Massey may not be the last

"I see a trend where managers are still getting their bonuses and the CEOs receive large severance and pensions, while the people at the bottom get cut off at the knees," Lince said 'It's all right if everybody has to share in the pain of it, but not everybody does'

ticed by sales reps at Don Massey Cadıllac

doing well every day, and the company isn't hurting,' said one sales rep They keep telling us we re their diamond among the stores, but we get paid less than everyone else

'They were damn surprised we took a stand that we re not putting up with it,' he said

CANDIDATES

Kevin McNamara of Canton Township, the son of the late

former Wavne County Executive Ed McNamara, 18 seeking a seat on the Wayne County Board of Commissioners

Political expert Bill Ballenger, the editor of Inside Michigan Politics, said those seeking election to political office are almost always successful especially at the state level when tied to a familiar last name

Amazingly, the track record is very good for family members with the same last name as those who have held, or are currently in, office," said Ballenger 'In the era of term limits, since the late 1990s, vir tually every one of these (state) candidates have been elected'

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■ TEEN KNIT/CROCHET CLUB, Wednesday, May 31, 7 p m – All learners and experienced needlecrafters are welcome Adult volunteers will teach newcomers Supplies provided for community service projects- or bring your own project to work on

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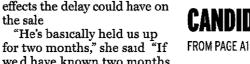
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for two months," she said "If wed have known two months ago, we could have been negotiating with the next bid-

Reaume said he expects to be able to deliver information from all bidders at the board's meeting Tuesday

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PLYMOUTH PIPELINE

Bowling benefit

The Brian Geick Scholarship Fund will hold its first bowling fund-raiser today (Sunday) from 1-4 p m at Oaklane Bowling Alley in Westland

The money raised will help start a scholarship fund through the Plymouth-Canton Schools Educational Excellence Foundation to help a graduating Salem High School senior who has overcome hardships Brian Geick would have graduated this year from Salem, with his brother David, if he had survived a heart transplant last June

Information on the scholarship can be obtained by calling Trish and Paul Geick at (734) 451-0779, or at PAG4077@aol com

Lawn sale

The Plymouth branch of the Woman's National Farm & Garden Association hosts a lawn sale 8 a m to 5 p m Thursday, June 8, at 1369 Park Place in Plymouth (two blocks south of Ann Arbor Trail and one block east of Sheldon)

The sale will feature lots of household and garden items, books, toys, crafts, houseplants and perennials All proceeds will support the Plymouth Garden Club Scholarships awarded to local high school students

Father's Day run

The Plymouth Family YMCA hosts its 27th-annual Father's Day Run Sunday, June 18, in downtown Plymouth

This popular event has become a family tradition All proceeds will be used to help support the Y's Strong Kids Scholarship Campaign Awards go to the top three finishers in all age categories, overall male and female winner in each race and all kid participants All registered runners get a T shirt

Age groups and start times include Diaper Dash, 9 a m (0-12 months), Wee Walkers, 9 a m (12 months-2 years), Kid Trot, 7 30 a m (3-4 years), Kıd Jog, 7 45 a.m (5-8 years), 1M walk/run, 8 a m , 5k walk/run, 8 15 a m , 10k walk/run, 8 45 a m, and the unique 12thannual Morse Dental Group MDG Triple (10 3 Miles)

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Anyone interested in volunteering can call the YMCA office at (734) 453-2904 or plymouthymca@ymcametrode troit org by June 9

Health seminar

Fit Zone for Women in Canton hosts its first health seminar, 'Meal Patterning, by author and speaker Christ Johnson, 6-8 pm Wednesday, May 24

The director at the Michigan Athletic Club, Johnson has provided lifestyle modification strategies He holds a masters in Exercise Physiology from Michigan State University, certification from the American College of Sports Medicine, National Academy of Sports Medicine, and the American Council on Exercise

Cost is \$10 for Fit Zone members, \$20 for non-members Fit Zone for Women is located at 7225 N Canton Center in Canton For information, call (734) 927-9991

Elderwise series

Elderwise, an affiliate of the Elderhostel Institute and the Lifelong Institute of Learning, hosts a Spring Program Series of classes

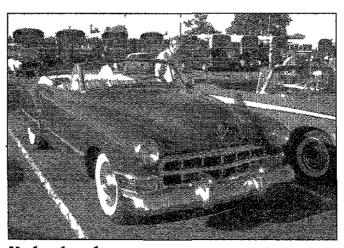
Elderwise was initiated by representatives of Eastern Michigan University, in collaboration with a group of adults aged 50 or older, to develop a continuing education program designed to offer opportunities for in-depth learning experiences, camaraderie and a sense of community

Elderwise is located in the Senior Health Building of the St Joseph Mercy Health System, 5361 McAuley in Ann Arbor

For more information or a spring brochure, call Elderwise at (734) 572-2035

Garden walk

The 11th annual Flowers



Hot wheels

The Vietnam Veterans of America, Plymouth-Canton Chapter 528, present Cruz'N 528 5-8 pm every Wednesday at the Mayflower-Lt Gamble VFW Post 6695, 1426 S Mill in Plymouth (just north of Ann Arbor Road) Car owners can park their ride, a DJ will be playing oldies, and original, restored and custom cards. Hot Rods and bikes will be on hand The event also includes 50-50 raffles and door prizes Food and refreshments will be available

are Forever" garden walk takes place noon-8 p m Tuesday, June 27, rain or shine

The walk, sponsored by the Trailwood Garden Club, a branch of the Womans National Farm and Garden Association, features gardens with a variety of water features as well as many ideas that can be adapted to individual gardens The event includes complimentary refreshments, a raffle and perennial sale

Trailwood Garden Club's projects include plantings in downtown Plymouth and at the new Plymouth Community Veterans Memorial Park, plantings and bird feeder at the Medilodge of Plymouth nursing facility, Plymouth Fall Festival Perennial Exchange, Christmas decorations at the Plymouth Historical Museum, Michigan 4-H, Detroit Agricultural Network and other related activities

Tickets cost \$7 pre-sale, \$8 the day of the walk Tickets are available after June 1 from Garden Club members as well as Backyard Birds and Saxtons Garden Center, both in Plymouth

For more information call Jeanne Hutko, (734) 459-5285

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community open house from

Napier roads in Canton For more information, call the school at (734) 662-8016

Movie screening

Headed Home Ministries of the Metropolitan Seventh-day Adventist Church in Northville Township hosts the showing of a movie concerning Evolution vs Intelligent Design at the Sheraton Detroit Novi Hotel, 21111 Haggerty in Novi, 7 p m Tuesday, May 23

Ministry officials said in recent months, a number of state public school boards have battled over whether to add the creationist theory known as 'intelligent design to their curriculums Previously featured on PBS stations throughout the US, 'Unlocking the Mystery of Life' explores these timeless questions and presents compelling evidence to support an idea that could revolutionize scientific thought the theory of intelligent design The public is invited to come view this film to develop its own intelligent opinion

Admission is free The event is being sponsored by Metropolitan Seventh-Day Adventist Church - Headed Home Ministries For more information and to register

visit the Web site at www.orig-~ inbydesign com/ or call (734) 420-3131

Brunch bunch

Residents in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools 31 district have an opportunity tooit have lunch with board treasurer Rich Ham-Kucharski noon 🍸 to 1 30 p m. Sunday, May 28, 🔔 at the Panera Bread in downtown Plymouth

Ham-Kucharski will be available to discuss current district issues, the budget and any other school-related topic α

Panera Bread is located in 5. the Mayflower Centre at the corner of Main and Ann Arbor Trail

Fall fest meeting

The next meeting for the 2006 Plymouth Fall Festival will be held at City Hall 7 30 p m Tuesday, May 30

Groups interested in operat₁ ing a food booth must be in attendance at all four of the meetings that will be held before the festival Booth applications will be available at this meeting or on-line at www.plymouthfallfestival.com Applications are due May 30 For more information call Colleen Brown, (734) 455-1614

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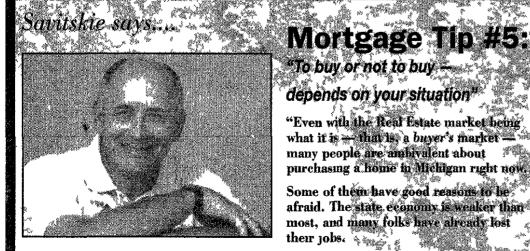
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The Shepard Family of Canton Township will host a golf outing fund raiser for March of Dimes on Sunday May 21, at Brae Burn Golf Club, 10860 W Five Mile, Plymouth Township Christian and Nicholas Shepard, (pictured there), the twin sons of Patty and Scott Shepard of Canton, were born three months premature and face lifelong medical problems Premature birth is the leading cause of newborn death and lifelong disabilities Since 2001, "the Shepard family - with the help of family and friends - has raised more than \$40,000 for the March of Dimes Funds are used to raise awareness and help prevent birth defects Foursomes are still available at \$400 individual golfers are welcome at \$100 per person Golfers can also sign up the day of the outing Shotgun start is 1 30 p m and includes 18-holes with cart, lunch at the turn and chicken or steak dinner along with other gifts and prizes For more information, contact Patty or Scott Shepard at (734) 414-0696 or John Dean at (734) 728-5789 The mission of the March of Dimes is to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects, premature birth and infant mortality Prematurity takes a devastating physical toll on babies and robs families of the full potential of their beloved children,' said Patty Shepard 'It places a tremendous emotional and "financial burden on everyone, including our health care system, businesses and society as a whole'

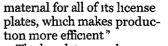
Blue plate ending 24-year reign in Michigan

Michigan will discontinue its standard blue license plate and adopt a plate with improved features under legislation awaiting the governor's signature, Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land announced last week

The "Old Blue" plate design, as it is known, is used by 5 6 million motorists It has been on Michigan vehicles since July 1982 and will cease being issued on Jan 1, 2007 After that, the state will reissue new plates as they expire

A new plate design has not been finalized but is expected to be similar to recently issued plates which have a fully reflective white background There will be no extra cost to residents for a replacement plate

"The Old Blue plate has had a good run in Michigan but it is time to move to a design that uses modern technology and improves visibility,' said Land 'This change will also allow the state to use the same type of



The legislative package includes House Bills 5607 and 5979, sponsored by Rep Philip LaJoy, R-Canton, and House Bill 4437, sponsored by Rep Scott Hummel, R-DeWitt The legislation would provide the necessary funds to the Department of State to cover expenses incurred in re-issuing the estimated 6 million new plates needed

Land expects compliance with vehicle registration laws to improve as a result of the move to a new standard plate After the reissue period is complete, those who are driving on expired license plates will be easy to spot by law enforcement officers It is estimated that the additional revenue to the state generated from increased compliance would total at least \$15 million, which would more than offset the costs involved

LaJoy said the new license plates will be good for the state

From a public safety perspective, having license plates that are easier to read at night will assist law enforcement in keeping our streets safe," LaJoy said "That is good news for our citizens"

Michigan is the last state still using the glass-beads manufacturing process by which the blue and white plates are created During production, tiny crushed glass beads with the consistency of sand are sprinkled on the wet white paint to give the characters on the plate limited reflectivity Law enforcement groups and others favor the modern design material, which is a highly reflective off-white graphic sheeting that is more visible at night

For more information about available license plates or other department services, visit www.michigan.gov/sos



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Houdek's quick strikes lift Chiefs over Salem

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

Amazingly, the recent monsoon-like weather stayed dry for Wednesday night's soccer game between Canton and Salem

Unfortunately for the Rocks, Chief junior forward Becci Houdek reigned around the net — at least for the game's first 10 minutes

Houdek scored two goals faster than most of the fans could dry off their spots on the bleachers

The quick strikes ignited

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what evolved into a 3-0 Canton victory

"Becci did a great job of getting us off to a fast start," said Canton coach George Tomasso, whose team improved to 9-5-2 overall and 7-3-1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association "I thought both teams played with a lot of intensity, which is to be expected with this rivalry

The biggest thing for us tonight was the way we were able to forget about our loss on Monday (5-0 to Livonia Stevenson) I thought the girls bounced back well and played a complete game'

Speaking of bouncing back, Salem coach Joe Nora was satisfied with the way his team rebounded after the rocky start

We've had a tendency to get demoralized when we've fallen behind this year, but I thought the girls did a good job of coming back and playing hard after Canton scored those two early goals,' said Nora, whose young squad slipped to 3-7 2 "We dedicated this game to our sen

iors It's tough losing 3-0 to your rivals, but the girls' effort was outstanding tonight I'm encouraged because we are getting better"

Salem came close to lighting up the scoreboard first, but Kim Killion's blast from 12 yards out was stuffed by Canton goalkeeper Kelsey Bailey

Houdek's first goal came on a rebound shot with 36 20 left Seven minutes later, she hammered a header past Salem netminder Jill Slabey from close range

While Houdeks goals were

significant, they weren't as dazzling as the one freshman Lisa Pierce scored with 17 46 left in the game Pierce received a pass from Kelsey Zemanski 40 yards from the net, dribbled through a host of Rocks before ripping a hooking shot into the upperleft-hand corner of the net from 15 vards out

Since Lisas only a freshman, we've been kind of working her in slowly, said Tomasso "That goal was just a glimpse of what she's capable of doing"

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Girls hoop camps

The Salem and Canton girls basketball teams will be sponsoring two upcoming summer camps

A camp for girls entering 7th, 8th and 9th grades in the fall of 2006 will be held June 19-23 Seventh-graders will attend the camp from 12 45-2 45 p m at Pioneer Middle School The time and site for the eighth and ninth-graders will be 1-3 p m at Canton High School

A camp for girls enter ing 4th, 5th and 6th grades will be held June 26-30 The camp for fourth-graders will be held from 12 45-2 45 p m at Pioneer Middle School The time and site for the fifth- and sixthgraders will be 1-3 p m-at Canton High School

The cost of both camps ıs \$70 The coaching staffs for both camps will consist of Salem's Fred Thomann,

Bill Mair and Julie Nicastri and Canton's Brian Samulski Scott

Samulski and Jimmy

Reddy Players from both programs will serve as: camp counselors



Plymouth hurdler Nate Gholston s time of 15 19 seconds in the 110 highs Friday afternoon narrowly missed qualifying for the Division 1 state meet

2006 Division 1 Regional boys track and field meet

Making a 'state'ment

Several P-CEP athletes qualify for state meet with clutch regional efforts

See Regional girls track story on Page B3

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

The Livonia Stevenson boys track-and-field team seemed to be ignited Friday night by the sparks coming from the blazing shoes of star sprinter Nano Adomako

Adomako's school-record effort (10 67) in the 100-meter dash lit the fuse for a string of four consecutive Stevenson first-place finishes at the Division 1 Regional meet held at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park varsity stadium When the dust had cleared, the Spartans had compiled 97 50 points, out-distancing runnerup Livonia Churchill by 29 5 Canton (65), Plymouth (62 50) and Detroit Cass Tech (62) filled out the

top five spots in the 16-team field "I came out of the blocks slow and I was behind three people right away," said Adomako ' Thankfully, I finished strong Even though I got the school record tonight, I wasn't real excited I know I can do better'

Following Adomako's record win, the Spartans racked up first-place points in the 800-meter relay (Adomako, Kevin Murawski, Patrick Clasgens and Brian Chandler), the 1,600-meter run (Matthew Rzepka) and the 400meter relay (Adomako, Chandler, Clasgens and Murawski)

"I've been waiting and hoping for something like this for a couple of years now," said Stevenson coach Scott Shaw, whose team finished in the middle of the pack at last year's



Canton junior pole-vaulter Ryan Langdon cleared the bar at 12 feet, 7 inches to qualify for the Division 1 state PLEASE SEE TRACK, B2 meet June 3 at East Kentwood High School

Instant classic

Plymouth edges Canton in extra-inning barn burner

BY ED, WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

Cram large doses of high-intensity pressure, clutch hitting, slick fielding, pin-point pitching and late-game heroics into nine innings of softball and what do you get?

Answer Friday's game between Plymouth and Canton

The Wildcats lived life on the edge for the opening five-and-a-half innings before rallying to nip the visiting Chiefs, 5-4, on Melissa Butzow's twoout base hit that scored Erin Rodes in the bottom of the ninth Butzow had missed the Wildcats pre-

PLEASE SEE CLASSIC, B7



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Plymouth's Jill Brennan (6) slides into home just as Salem catcher Maureen Bohr prepares to secure a throw during Wednesday's game at Salem The Wildcats won, 10-1

Stemberger leads Wildcats to 10-1 win

Plymouth's softball team started slowly, but finished with a bang in its cross-campus game at Salem on Wednesday

After trailing 1-0 in the first, the Wildcats rebounded to seize a 10-1 victory Plymouth scored two runs in the second inning, three in the fourth, two in the fifth and three more in the sixth to back the strong pitching of Claire Ostrowski, who scattered five hits and a walk.

Salem grabbed the early lead when Danielle DiPietro reached on an error, advanced to second on a fielder's choice then scored on Emily Pitcole's single Kait McKinley added a double later in the inning

The girls always get excited to play Salem, said Plymouth coach Val Canfield "They always want to play a top-notch game against their rivals'

The Wildcats' offense was led by Lauren Stemberger, who went contributed two doubles and four RBI Kim Klonowski (2-for-3, two RBI, double), Beth Heldmeyer (2-for-4) and Erin Rodes (2-for-3) also had big games for the Wildcats

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Softball clinic

The Plymouth High School softball team's coaching staff will be holding fast-pitch softbal clinics on Sunday, May 28 and Sunday, June 4, Both clinics will be held at the Plymouth varsity softball field and run from 9 a m to 3 30 p m The clinics will move to the Plymouth High School gym if it rains.

The cost of the clinics ıs \$40, which includes 🎍 the cost of lunch and a T shirt For more information. contact Tom Bondv at (734) 455-5242, of e mail Bondy at Thomas Bondy@unisys.g

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Camp participants with learn the basic funda-mentals of the game, including throwing, field ing, positional play, base running, sliding and hitting

Tennis meeting

All returning Salem girls tennis players and incoming freshmen players are encouraged to attend a meeting on Monday, May 22, at 7 pm in the Salem cafete ria Uniforms will be ordered at the meeting The season begins

Monday, Aug 14 For more information contact coach Lin Ware at (734) 453-0669, or visit the teams Web sit at www salemrocks con

Lady Warriors tal

The Plymouth-Canton Salem girls lacrosse team dropped an 8-3 decision to Ann Arbor Huron Thursday night Heather Duncan scored two goals and Morgan Franke tallied one for the Lady Warriors

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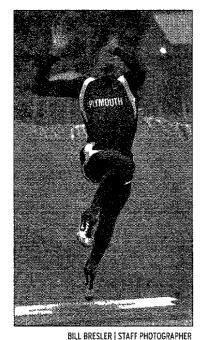
Regional meet The key tonight was when we won the four events in a row starting with the 100 Also, Mitchell White won the high jump, which was big'

Churchill coach Rick Austin was satisfied with his teams sec ond-straight runner-up show ing. The only team to out point the Chargers in 2005 was Cass

Tech *We had some outstanding performances tonight,' Austin said "We're sending seven to the state meet, which is great My hat is off to Stevenson They did a tremendous job It was a good night for track and field in the city of Livonia"

Churchill's Ryan Santa won the pole vault by clearing the bar at 13 feet, 7 mches The Chargers also received first place points from quarter miler David St Amant (50 03), twomiler Timothy Howse (9 50 36) and their 1,600-meter relay con tingent of William Gutowski, Jacob McDonald, Andrew LaBerge and St Amant $(3\ 26\ 95)$

Leading Cantons strong third-place showing were second-place pole-vaulter Ryan Langdon (12-7), first-place dis cus thrower Steve Paye (155-6) and senior captain Cyrus Azizi, who placed third in the 400



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Plymouth s D J Coleman won the long jump at Friday's Division 1 Regional meet with a leap of 21 feet 4 inches The effort earned Coleman a berth in the June 3 state meet

meter dash (50 32) and sixth in the 200 Azızı also contributed to two point-earning relay teams

I came down with food poisoning on Monday, so I was worried about how I'd do tonight, said Azizi Thankfully. I felt pretty good I m not disappointed with third We had some guys who really came through in the field events like

Steve Paye and Ryan Langdon Plymouths fourth-place showing in its first Regional meet with seniors brought a smile to first-year coach Kurt Britnell's face The Wildcats qualified six athletes for the D1 state meet after getting shut out last year

"I couldn t be more proud of this team than I am right now," said Britnell 'I thought we ran extremely well We set a lot of school records and we had a lot of personal bests Going in, I thought that if we would have qualified four guys for the state meet, that would have been great Getting six qualified is fantastic'

Senior D J Coleman had an outstanding night for the Wildcats, winning the long jump (21-4) and crossing the hne third in the 100 (10 87)

Redford Union was bolstered by the performances of Jared Owens, who finished first in the 200(2214) and second in the 100, and Steve Brown, the runner-up in the 110-meter hurdles (1476) and the third-place finisher in the 300 hurdles (41 43)

The top two individual placers in each event qualified for the June 3 state meet in East Kentwood Athletes could also qualify for the state meet by surpassing pre determined qualifying standards

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TRACK RESULTS

DIVISION | REGIONAL TRACK & FIELD MEET May 19 at Canton H.S

BOYS TEAM STANDINGS 1 Livonia Stevenson 975 points, 2 Livonia Churchill 68 3 Canton 65, 4 Plymouth 62 5 5 Detroit Cass Tech 62 6 Dearborn 51 7 Redford Union, 46 8 Westland John Glenn 25 9 Dearborn Edsel Ford 18 10 Livonia Franklin 11 11 Salem and Detroit Cody 6 each 13 Dearborn Fordson 5 14 (tie) Wayne Memorial and Garden City 2 each FINAL RESULTS

(top 2 qualify for state meet) Shot put 1 Adam Schnieder (Dbn) 49 feet 6 25 inches 2 Greg Copeland (WJG) 47 10 25 3 Matt Shileikis (RU) 47 9 25 4 Jon Robinson (LC) 46 9 75 5 Adam Gorring (WM) 46 7 6 Ryan Jonik (Canton) 46 1 25

Discus 1 Steve Paye (Canton) 155 6 2 Bryan Henley (WJG) 143-5 3 Gerald Lou (Ply) 143 5 4 Geoff Leskie (LS) 142 11 5 Joe Zugaj (Canton) 138 2 6 Robert Pennywitt (RU) 136-11

High jump 1 Mitchell White (LS) 6 3 2 Eric Thornton (Canton) 6 3 3 Cam Scharchburg (Ply) 6 1 4 Andrew Rossow (Canton) 5 11 5 Jacob McDonald (LC) 5 11 6 Ian Thornton (WJG) 5 11 Long Jump 1 D J Coleman (Ply) 21 4 2 Alante Whiting (WJG) 20 10 5 3 Myles White (LS) 20 6 25 4 Darius Williams (LF) 20 4 5

Kenneth Hall (Cass) 20 3 25 6 DeQuan Williams (RU) 19 10 25

Pole vault 1 Ryan Santa (LC) 13 7 2 Ryan Langdon (Canton) 12-7 3 Joe Pond (LS) 121 4 Ben Ambrose (Ply) 121 5 Mike Sylvester (LF) 11 7 6 (tie) Nate Sherwood (Ply.) and Andrew Cutshall (LS) 11 7 each

110-meter hurdles 1 Nicholas McCampbell (Cass) 14 54 2 Steve Brown (RU) 14 76 3 Brandon Bufford (Cass) 1514 4 Nate Gholston (Ply) 1519 5 Alan Culbertson (LF) 1571 6 Michael Gibb (Dbn)

15.8 300 hurdles 1 McCampbell (Cass) 38.04 2 Bufford (Cass) 40.71 3 Brown (RU) 41 43 4 Myles White (LS) 41 62 5 Tim Belcher (Canton) 4174 6 Ghoiston (Piy) 4185

 100 desh
 1 Nana Adomako (LS) 10 67 2 Jared Owens (RU) 10 74 3

 Coleman (Ply)
 10 87 (SO) 4 Cortez Smith (Cass) 10 88 (SO) 5

 Mike Awada (DF) 10 9 (SO) 6 Eric Piwowar (Canton) 10 94 (SO)

 200 1 Owens (RU) 2214 2 Brian Chandler (LS) 22 43 3 DeShawn

Williams (Cody) 22 43 (SO) 4 Julian Easterly (Cass) 22 91 5 Christian Jefferson (Cass) 22 98 6 Cyrus Azizi (Canton) 23 09

400 1 David St Amant (LC) 50 03 2 Andrew Beaver (Dbn) 50 14 3 Cyrus Azızı (Canton) 50 32 (SQ) 4 Rossow (Canton) 51 0 5 Dan Cragel (LS) 51 79 6 Derek Buskey (LS) 51 82 800 1 Stephen Surducan (Dbn.) 15787 Z Brandon Grysko (LC)

2 00 45 3 Noble Pegg (DEF) 2 01 53 4 Kevin Wozniak (DEF) 2 03 99 5 Phaitiel Whitlock (Canton) 2 011 6 Kyle Wallath (Ply) 2 04 19

1,600 1 Matt Rzpeka (LS) 4 32 9 2 Grysko (LC) 4 33 7 3 Christopher Greenup (Dbn) 4 36 9 4 Sean Dillon (Ply) 4 38 7 5 Brian Chambers (GC) 4 40 6 6 Eric Zech (Canton) 4 417

3,200° 1 Timothy Howse (LC) 9 50 36 2 Anthony Scarparo (Ply) 9 59 19 3 Dan Wilson (LS) 9 59 2 4 Dan Kapadia (Salem) 9 59 93 5 Jimmy Walsh (Salem) 10 04 35 6 Mike Krcatovich (LF), 10 06 11 400 relay 1 Stevenson (Adomako Chandler Pat Clasgens Kevin Murawski) 42 5 2 Cass Tech (Boubcar Cissoko Smith Hall McCampbell) 43 66 3 Plymouth (Gholston LaBroderick Caldwell Rico Tyus Coleman) 43 67 (SO) 4 RU (Dezmond Latham Owens Brown Rico Walker) 43 92 (SO) 5 Fordson 44 31 6 Canton 44 86 800 relay 1 Stevenson (Adomako Murawski Clasgens, Chandler) 1 29 14 2 Cass Tech (Easterly Smith Hall McCampell) 1 29 58 3 Canton (Piwowar Dalton Walser Rossow Azizi) 129 84 (SQ) Plymouth (Tyus Josh LeDuc Caldwell Coleman) 1 31 08 (SQ) 5

Churchill 133 37 6 Fordson 1 33 49 1,600 relay: 1 Churchill (Billy Gutowski McDonald Andrew LaBerge St Amant) 3 26 95 2 Canton (Rossow Whitlock Andrew Manuel Azizi) 3 2778 3 Dearborn 3 29 39 4 Stevenson, 3 29 9, 5 RU 3 30 39 6 Franklin 3 34 33

3,200 relay 1 Dearborn (Greenup Kassem Chehab Anthony Mifsud

Surducan) 8 12 79 2 Edsel Ford (Zach Abdullah Wozniak Angel Estrada Pegg) 8 1716, 3 Stevenson, 8 22 71 4 Churchill 8 24 45, 5 Plymouth 8 27 83 6 Franklin 8 47 31

(SQ), meets additional state qualifying standard GIRLS TEAM STANDINGS 1 Livonia Churchili 136 points 2 Livonia Stevenson 76 5 3 Livonia Franklin 60 4 Salem 58, 5 Plymouth 39 6 Detroit Cody 37, 7 Dearborn 28 8 Dearborn Edsel Ford 27 9 Detroit Cass Tech 24 10 Canton 21 5 11 Westland John Glenn,

FINAL RESULTS

(top 2 quality for state meet) Shot put 1 Jenna Hudy (LF) 36 feet 6 inches 2 Kyndra Abron (LC) 36 3 3 Lauren Krupsky (LC) 35 11 (SQ) 4 Robyn Whalen (LF) 34 6, 5 Jill Boese (Dbn) 31 3 6 Sekna Abbass (Dbn) 30 1

Discus 1 Whaten (LF) 119 4 2 Krupsky (LC), 116-10, 3 Kailee Hobblins (LC) 110 8 4 Abron (LC) 108 8 5 Hudy (LF) 106-7 6 Kristin Avdisian (DEF) 105 7

High jump 1 Brittany Petty (Ply) 5 4 2 Alyssa Supplee (LF), 5 2 3 Raven Clay (Cody) 5-2 (SQ) 4 Colleen Noble (Dbn) 5-0 5 Meghan Liwienski (LS) 5 0 6 (tie) Kara Piorkowski (LS) and izabela Paszkowska (C), 4 9

Long jump 1 Stephanie Okolo (Ply) 17 6 75 2 Megan Wilson (LF), 16 7 75 3 Brittany Dorsey (Cass) 15 11 4 Brittany McKinney (Canton), 15 7 5 Elise Glass (DEF) 15 7 6 Allie Plisko (LS) 15 3 25 Pole vault 1 Maria Winkler (LS) 9.4.2 Allie Vraniak (Salem) 9.4.3 Jackie Demers (LC) 9.4 (SQ) 4 (tie) Meghan Powers (LF) and

Kristin Zgorecki (LC) 8 8 each, 6 Lindsay Balutis (Dbn), 8 8 100-meter hurdles 1 Clay (Cody), 14 57 2 Brittany Łockhart (Salem) 15 45 3 Diane Burek (LS) 15 87 4 Casey Lynett (LF) 16 21 5 Brittany Gentile (LS) 16 47, 6 Dana Eldred (Salem) 16.58

300 hurdles. 1 Lockhart (Salem) 46 63 2 Tauri Rothermel (LC) 48 25 3 Lynett (LF) 48 35 4 Clay (Cody) 49 71 5 Gentile (LS), 50 05 6 Eldred (Salem) 50 18

100 dash 1 Elise Glass (DEF), 12 08, 2 Lache Wilkins (LC) 12 57, 3 Chanel Payne (WJG) 12 69 4 Okolo (Ply) 12 72 5 Mandi Coppola (LC) 12 76 6 Doniesha Flowers (Cody), 12 76

200 1 Glass (DEF) 25 63 2 Dominique McIntyre (Cass) 26 42, 3 Ashley Parker (WJG) 26 6 4 Wilson (LF) 26 69 5 Mary Archie (Cass) 26 86 6 Coppola (LC), 27 07

400 1 Allison Janda (Salem) 100 88 2 An Tonia Scott (Cody) 1 01 15, 3 Wilkins (LC), 1 01 36, 4 Nicole Thornsberry (LC) 1 01 97 5

Brttany Mrozek (LS) 10327 6 Carly Kosko (Dbn) 10359 Brttany Mrozek (LS) 10327 6 Carly Kosko (Dbn) 10359 800 1 Lisa Arrowsmith (LS) 21615 2 Samantha Mifsud (Dbn) 22287 3 Janda (Salem) 2254 4 Kristen Frey (LS), 22589, 5 Rebecca Rehberg (LS) 22653 6 Kelli Bargowski (Canton) 2272 1,600 1 Frey (LS) 5 09 36 2 Kylen Cieslak (LC) 5 11 02 3 Rachel McFarlane (LC) 51848 (SQ) 4 Becky McCormack (Canton) 51849

(SO) 5 Erica Hope (LC) 5 331 6 Stephanie Perez (LS) 5 34 86 3,200 1 Cieslak (LC) 11 29 26 2 Hannah Cavicchio (Salem), 11 39 28 3 McCormack (Canton), 11 42 51 4 McFarlane (LC),

11 43 84, 5 Megan Maceratini (LC), 11 45 0 6 Megan Czerwinski (Dbn) 11 56 02

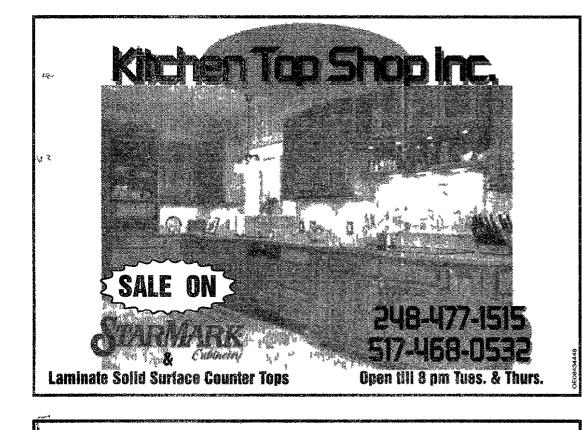
400 relay: 1 Plymouth (Jill Morton, Julie Hersey, Janet Hanchett, Okolo), 51 02 2 Cass Tech (Clotia Girglen McIntyre Shayla Dobbins, Archie) 511 3 Churchill 514 4 Stevenson, 517 5 John Glenn, 51 92, 6 Canton 52 15

800 relay 1 Churchill (Thornsberry Coppola Alicia Fedrigo Wilkins) 1 46 13, 2 Cody 1 48 19, 3 John Glenn 1 48 28, 4

Plymouth 148 52 5 Steenson, 148 82, 6 Canton 150 64 1,600 relay: 1 Churchill (Thornsberry Cleslak Fedrigo, Wilkins), 4 10 62 2 Stevenson (Denee Meier, Mrozek Rehberg Arrowsmith) 4 10 62 3 Salem 4 10 84 4 Dearborn 4 15 46, 5 Edsei Ford 4 22 36 6 Franklin 4 22 86

3,200 relay: 1 Stevenson (Amber Cicala, Rehberg, Frey Arrowsmith), 9 38 75 2 Churchill (Lindsay Graciak Hope McFarlane Cieslak) 9 52 18 3 Dearborn 9 59 0 4 Canton, 10.08 17, 5 Edsel Ford 10 42 67 6 Plymouth 10 56 73 (S0)[,] meets additional state qualifying standard





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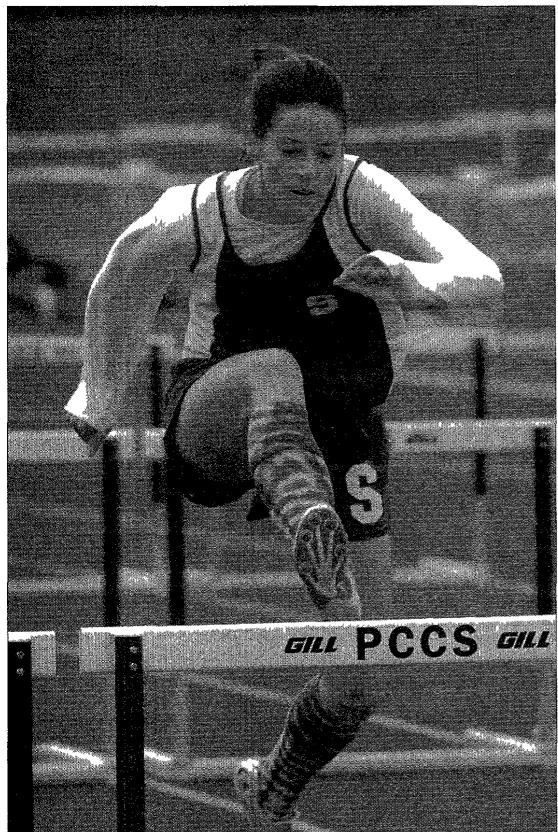
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TRACK AND FIELD



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Salem's Dana Eldred placed sixth in the 100 meter high hurdles Friday afternoon with a time of 16 58 Eldred was sixth in the 300-meter lows as well



Churchill's relays chalk up huge points in D1 Regional meet

BY ED WRIGHT STAFE WRITER

The Livonia Churchill girls track-and field team wasn t just good at Friday's Division 1 Regional meet at the Plymouth Canton Educational Parks varsity stadium

The Chargers were relay, relay good

Bolstered by first place finishes in the 800- and 1,600-meter relays, Churchill accumulated a staggering 136 points to nearly lap the 16 team field Second-place Livonia Stevenson racked up 76 5 points followed by Livonia Franklin (60), Salem (58) and Plymouth (39)

This was a team win, said Churchill coach Keith McDonald, whose squad won the event in 2003 before finishing second the next two years 'Everybody did their job Everybody did what we talked about all week. I had high expectations coming into this meet and those expectations were met.

"We won it with depth We only won three events, but we had a lot of seconds and thirds'

Churchill senior captain Lache Wilkins was a freshman on the Chargers previous Regional championship team in 2003 Her appreciation for the latest title runs much deeper than the first, she admitted

When I was a freshman, I didn't really under stand how important this meet was, said Wilkins, who earned points in the 100- and 400-meter dashes as well as on the 800- and 1,600-meter relay teams 'When I was younger, I thought, ahhh, it's just another track meet But over the years I ve grown to understand how big this meet

I expected us to do well tonight, but not this good Its nice for the seniors to go out with a bang

Churchill senior captain Kylen Cieslak was responsible for the Chargers lone non relay first when she won the 3,200-meter run with a time of 11 29 26 Salems Hannah Cavicchio was second in 11 39 28

'It was a relief in a way that we were able to build an early lead tonight, but everybody still wanted to do well so they could qualify for the state meet, Cieslak said I knew this team had it in us all along It was unbelievable how everybody came together tonight and performed their best

Garnering the all important seconds for the Chargers were shot putter Kyndra Abron (36 feet, 3 inches), discus-thrower Lauren Krupsky (116-10) Wilkins (12 57 in the 100), Cieslak (5 11 02 in the 1,600) and Tauri Rothermel (48 25 in the 300-meter low hurdles)

The Spartans four firsts were more than any other team Marla Winkler won the pole vault (9-4), Kristen Frey took the 1,600 in 5 09 36, Lisa





Canton's Brittany McKinney crosses the finish line after. completing a heat in the 200 meter dash Friday afternoon The Chiefs finished 10th with 21 5 points

'I can't complain with how the girls performed, tonight, said Stevenson coach Kelly Graham "L' an thought our girls ran well, but Churchill ran out of their minds We were competitive within ourselves I wasn't disappointed at all with our performance Give credit to Churchill They deserve ıt

Franklin surged to a strong start thanks to a pair of top-notch field event efforts from shot-put? ter Jenna Hudy (36-6) and discus-thrower Robyn" Whalen (119-4)

Salem came on strong at the end when senior captain Allison Janda won the 400-meter dash (1 00 88) and senior Brittany Lockhart crossed the line first in the 300-meter low hurdles $(46.63)_{4}^{*}$

Pacing Plymouth's fourth-place effort were high-jumper Brittany Petty, who was first with a leap of 5 4, and long-jumper Stephanie Okolo, who outdistanced the field by almost a foot with a leap of 17 675

The Wildcats 400-meter relay squad of Jill Morton, Julie Hersey, Janet Hanchett and Okolo also took gold in 51 02

Canton, which placed 10th with 21 50 points, was led by Becky McCormack, who placed third in the 3,200-meter run (11 42 51) and fourth in the mile (5 18 49)

The top two individual placers in each event qualified for the June 3 state meet in East Kentwood Athletes could also qualify for the state meet by surpassing pre-determined qualifying *

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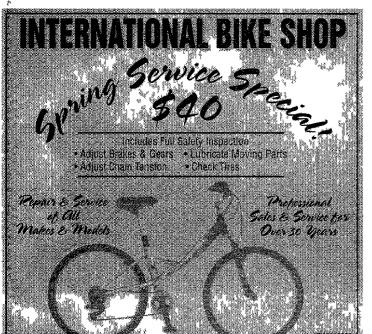
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Eagle kickers soar

State-ranked Plymouth Christian Academy led 4-0 at the half and never looked back on the way to a 9-0 whitewashing of Sterling Heights Bethesda Tuesday afternoon

The victory improved the Eagle record to 10-0-1 overall and 10-0 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Bethesda slipped to 0-8 and 0-7, respectively Abby Lorion paced the win-

ners with three goals Jalese



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Salem shares WLAA net title with the Spartans

BY BRAD EMONS STAFF WR TER

The Western Lakes Activities Association boys tennis season didn t quite go according to script on Wednesday

Regular season champion Salem, 11-0 in dual matches, settled for a co-share of the overall title as host Livonia Stevenson scored a team-high 23 points to win the 12-school conference tournament

Salem was runner-up with 20 points followed by defending champion Northville with 18, Livonia Churchill, 13, Canton, 12, Walled Lake Central, 9, Walled Lake Western 8, Plymouth and Walled Lake Northern, 5 each, Livonia Franklin, 3, Wayne Memorial and Westland John Glenn, 1 each

Stevenson garnered titles at No 2 singles (Gino McCathney), No 1 doubles (Jay McConnell and Mike Horgan) and No 3 doubles (Yash Chauhan and Mike Carpenter)

Stevenson avenged its only WLAA loss of the season by splitting four flight finals versus the Rocks

'After beating Northville this season, we were euphoric, but 24 hours later we lost to Salem, Stevenson coach Kathy Ladd said We had a super tourney, far better than \hat{I} expected

'I knew we had a good team before the season, but I didn t know it would be this good McCathney, a sophomore held his top seed as he ran his

record to 10-2 with a 6-0, 6-0 triumph in the finals over Churchills Nick Payne

McConnell and Horgan, the second seeds, won a three-settei in the finals over Northvilles David Connett and

Chris Doud, 7-6 (7-3), 4-6, 6-3 Chauhan and Carpenter, also top seeds, won a three-set match against Salem's Jake Brunstein and Kevin

Steinman, 4-6, 7-6 (8-6), 6-3 That number three doubles team gets every 1-ota out of their ability, Ladd said 'They may not be the most athletic, but they're always focused and they play smart They've won every tiebreaker they ve been in this year There's no histrionics, no high drama with those two They never got down on each other"

By virtue of its perfect dualmeet season and second-place league finish, Salem had cause to celebrate its first league title ever in the WLAA, along with its first since 1979 when it was a member of the Suburban **Eight League**

The Rocks won a pair of singles titles, Blake Foster at No 3 as he ran his overall record to 24-0 with a 7-5, 6-1 win over Northvilles Kevin Zhang, while Neil Bakshi also improved to 24-0 with a 6-2, 6 1 victory for the No 4 crown over Stevenson's Ian Petty

We got most of the points we projected, but we didn t get what we wanted in a couple of areas, Salem assistant coach Lin Ware said But overall we ve had an incredible season We have a couple kids who are

24-0 and that s never happened We did a great job this year because we had depth that we haven't had before

Michigan State-bound Jason Norville of Walled Lake Western captured the No 1 singles flight with 62 0, 6 0 triumph over Lawrence Washington of Salem

Canton's No 2 doubles tan dem of Alex Fabiszewski and Nimit Desai won their final against Chris Stojanov and Manesh Potluri of Stevenson in three sets, 6-2, 3-6, 6-0

Northville's only win came at No 4 doubles as Michael Hagan and Lee Schechter downed Salem's Steve Van Deusen and Matt Benson

SALEM 4TH AT REGIONAL

The Rocks placed fourth at their Division 1 Regional tournament on Thursday in Ann Arbor, finishing 13 points behind perennial powerhouse Ann Arbor Pioneer, Ann Arbor Huron and Saline

No 4 singles player Neil Bakshi was the lone Rock to advance to the finals Bakshi, who finished the season 25-1, was defeated by Huron's Steve Hanselman, 6-3, 6-4

Salem players who advanced as far as the semi-finals in their respective flights were No 1 singles player Lawrence Washington, No 3 singles player Blake Foster, the No 1 doubles tandem of Pawel Kargol and Dave Geick and the No 3 doubles duo of Jake Burnstein and Kevin Steinman

Westland John Glenn and Wayne Memorial, 1 each **CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT RESULTS** No 1 singles Jason Norville (WLW) defeated Laurence Washington (Salem) 6-0 6-2 4 semifinals Norville def Trevor Kogut (LC) 6-4 6 2 Washington def Chris McCathney (LS) 7563 No 2 Gino McCathney (LS) def Nick Payne (LC) 60 60 semifinals McCathney def Michael Chou (WLW) 63 60 Payne def Mike Keesey (Canton) 63 0 6 6 3 No 3 Blake Foster (Salem) def Kevin Zhang

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON WAYNE COUNTY MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Public Act 263 of 2001 of the State of Michigan as amended and pursuant to the Comprehensive Plan of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday June 5 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 Future Land Use Map of the **Comprehensive** Plan

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Plymouth's Stotz no-hits Rocks

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Plymouth senior left-handed pitcher Bryan Stotz saved his best for the team's Senior Day game against cross-campus rıval Salem Wednesday afternoon

Stotz recorded the school's first no-hitter when he blanked the Rocks over seven unnings in the Wildcats' 5-0 victory

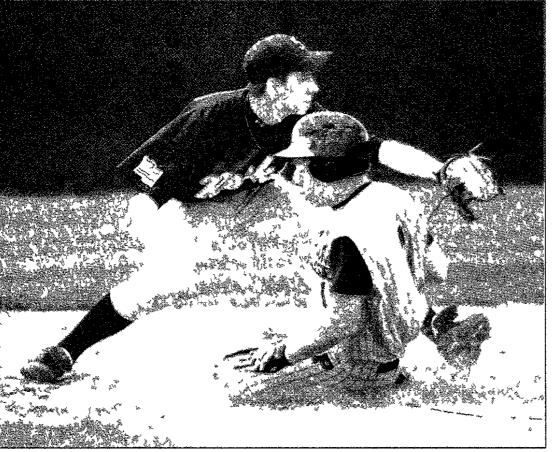
Plymouth led just 2-0 against Salem ace Josh Ritter until it was able to tack on single runs in the fifth and sixth innings

"I am extremely proud of Bryan," said Plymouth coach Chuck Adams 'This was our senior day and it couldn't have gone any better Bryan would be the first to tell you that he really didn't have great command of his pitches early in the game

"Salem put some good metal on the ball early in the contest. but we were fortunate to be m the right spots defensively However, as the game went along, Bryan seemed to settle into more of a groove and got better at locating his tailing two-seam fastball Bryan is very difficult to hit when he can get that pitch working

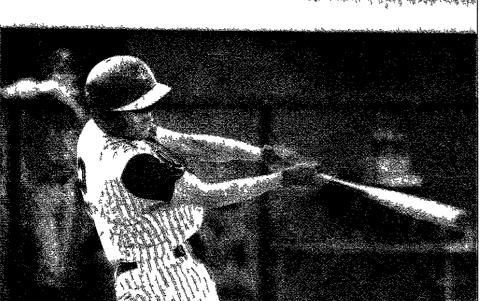
"All in all, it was just a great day for him and the team in general'

Stotz's performance came on the heels of teammate T J Downey's one-hitter on Monday



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Salem's Kevin Wiengrot receives a throw from the outfield as Plymouth's Tyler Locklear slides successfully into second base during Wednesday's 5 0 Wildcat victory



Plymouth's Alex Harvey takes a rip at a pitch Wednesday afternoon in the Wildcats' 5-0 victory over Salem



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Little delivers big hit in Chiefs' 2-1 win

On Wednesday at Canton, senior left-fielder Shawn Little delivered a bases-loaded single in the bottom of the seventh inning to score Brad Barath with the winning run in the Chiefs' 2-1 triumph

Barath led off the inning with a double and advanced to third on Justin Latin's fielder's choice grounder Latin moved to second on a wild pitch before Chris Woudstra blooped a single down the right-field line Neither runner could advance due to the shallow depth of the hit, leaving the bases loaded

Little then ripped the second pitch he saw deep to left-centerfield

The victory improved the Chiefs' record to 15-10 overall and 10-4 in the Western Lakes Activities Association Glenn shpped to 8-13 and 5-8, respectively

Sophomore pitcher Erik Wright (3-1) scattered six hits and two walks over seven innings to record his third consecutive complete-game win Wright struck out four

Justin Reid pitched six strong innings for the Rockets, yielding six hits He was relieved by Jeff Girgen in the seventh

Glenn grabbed a 1-0 lead in the first when, with one out, Jerry Smith walked, advanced to second on an error and scored on Alan Siepierski's two-out infield single

The Chiefs knotted the game at 1-1 in the fourth when Kyle Gring and Ben Vaughn singled After both runners advanced a base on a passed ball, Blaine Paden brought Gring home with an RBI groundout

Little went 2-for-3 with a walk and two stolen bases Vaughn also contributed two hits and a steal

Chris Kangas swung a hot bat for the Rockets, going 3for-3 with a double

Players from both teams registered outstanding defensive plays Barath made a fine run-

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ning catch in right-center in the first while senior catcher Tarık Khasawneh picked off a 🕠 base-runner at first in the top of the seventh

For the Rockets, Smith robbed Latın of at least a double in the fifth when he went horizontal to snag a drive that was headed for the right-center field gap

STEVENSON 5, SALEM 4: Livonia Stevenson will settle for second place in the Lakes Division baseball race of the Western Lakes Activities Association

The Spartans improved to 14-10 overall and 7-2 in the Lakes with a 5-4 win Friday at home over Salem

Kyle Thom went 2-for-3 with an RBI and run scored for Stevenson Matt Loney and Clayton Pack also had RBI singles

Winning pitcher Andy Jones, a junior, went the first six innings He allowed one earned run on just two hits He walked six and struck out two Matt Tuttle came on to earn the save as Salem ralled for two runs

Losing pitcher Sam Ott, a freshman, went 3 1 innings for the Rocks (6-20, 3-6) He allowed four earned runs on three hits and four walks He struck out three

Joe Maltese and Billy Leddy had RBI hits for Salem

JOHN GLENN 5, SALEM 1: Junior Jerry Smith fanned 11 over seven innings Thursday as host Westland John Glenn (9-13, 3-5) earned the WLAA-Lakes Division triumph over the Rocks (6-19, 2-6)

Smith allowed just three hits 1 and walked only two

Ryan Sharp went 2-for-3 with an RBI to pace the Glenn \rightarrow offense

Losing pitcher Joe Posler went six innings for Salem, allowing two earned runs on six hits and two walks He struck out four



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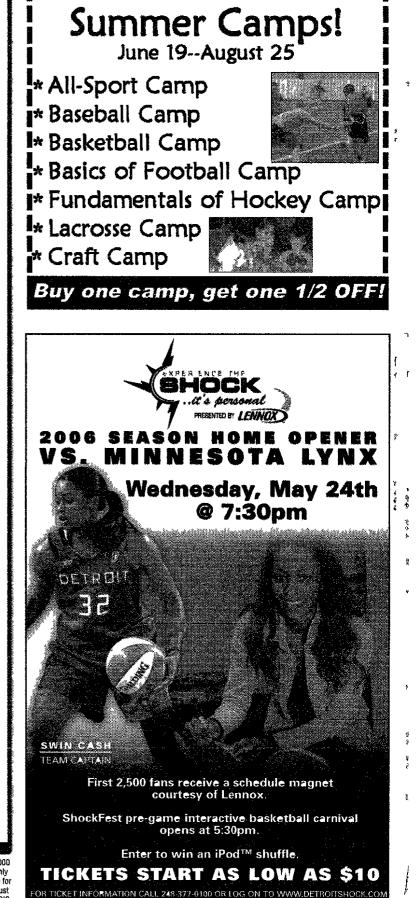
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vious 10 games with a thumb injury

The victory improved Plymouth to 18-4-1, Canton slipped to 19-3-1 Canton leads the Western Lakes Activities Associations Western Division with just one loss heading into Monday's game against Northville Plymouth has two league setbacks going into Mondays game at Wayne Memorial

The winning run was set up when Rodes, a freshman, delivered a two-out single She advanced to second on a passed ball before coming home on Butzow's line drive to rıght field

"I was excited to see Melissa up there at that time because she always makes things happen,' said Plymouth coach Val Canfield "Melissa didn't seem nervous at all She was very focused and she got the job done'

Plymouth erased a 4-0 deficit in the bottom of the sixth with four unearned runs

Junior right-handed pitcher Claire Ostrowski earned the complete-game win for the Wildcats, yielding 12 hits and three walks while striking out six Payne also went the distance, giving up nine hits while recording two strikeouts Payne did not walk a batter

The game was scoreless until the third when Cantons Brittany Scero, who reached base all five times she stepped into the batter's box, singled and later scored on Kim Beaudoin's fielders choice

The Chiefs extended their lead to 4-0 in the fifth thanks to RBI hits from Lauren Delapaz (triple), Alyssia Johnson (double) and pinchhitter Kimmie Keppen

Plymouth's big inning was the sixth when it pushed across four unearned runs With two outs and nobody on Madison Dresser singled, Kim Klonowski reached on an error and Ostrowski brought home Dresser with a single Freshman Beth Heldmeyer followed with a two run single to right Heldmeyer scored one batter later on the Chiefs second error of the inning to knot the game at 4-4

Canton put runners on first and third in the seventh but failed to score In the ninth. Kimmie Keppen ripped a one-

Sadek has big day for **Canton softball squad**

On Wednesday, Cantons Stephanie Sadek had a big day on the mound and at the plate, throwing a two-hitter with seven strikeouts while going 3for-4 with a triple in the Chiefs' 10-0 victory over Westland John Glenn

The victory improved the Chiefs to 19-2-1 overall and 13-1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association

Other offensive contributors to Cantons 10-hit attack were Rachel Wade (2-for 3, RBI) and Lauren Delapaz, who went 2-for 4 with two ribbies Losing pitcher Brittany Holbrook walked one and struck out one in

going the distance Junior Lisa Pecorelli collected two hits for Glenn which dropped to 1-

SALEM 10, JOHN GLENN 0: Emily Pitcole collected three hits and pitcher Melissa Leach tossed a no-hitter Thursday as the visiting Rocks (11-13) downed Westland John Glenn (1-19, 0-9) in a WLAA-Lakes Division game

Kait McKinley and Maureen Bohr each added two hits Both doubled, while teammate Kelly Behr homered in the fiveinning mercy

Glenn starter Brittany Holbrook took the loss

Salem's Smith qualifies for D1 state golf tourney

BY BRAD EMONS STAFF WRITER

Only six shots separated Livonia Stevenson and Livonia Churchill from going to the Division I state girls golf finals Ann Arbor Pioneer, shooting four-player total of 341, advanced Thursday out of the Leshe Park regional along with runner-up Temperance Bedford (367) and Sahne (368)

Stevenson and Churchill were next in the 16-team field with 374 each

But not was all lost as Churchill sophomore Shannon Warner took medalist honors by five shots with a 74 Shell be making her second straight trip to the state finals, Friday, June 2 at Michigan State University's Forest Akers (East Course) as an individual qualifier

Churchill coach Gary Harper was once again impressed with Warners performance under tough conditions The rough was long and the

greens were slow, it was hard to get any speed Harper said Shes just a solid tourney play er She had it going early two under after three holes She had a couple of bogeys on the back nine, but finished the tournament strong with birdie on 18 Shes just a gutsy player"

doesn't have much trouble with length because she can just bomb the ball'

Last year Warner made the second-day individual cut with an 80-82-162, but finished out of the top 10

"This year I'd like to think shes a contender, that's for sure,' Harper said

Salem, which finished with a 396, put Ashley Smith in as an individual qualifier She shot an 80 at the regional and will return to East Lansing after finishing tied for sixth

Stevenson, 11-1 in dual matches and 10-1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association, received a sixthplace regional finish from Abbey Wolfe, who carded an 84

Other Stevenson scorers included Chrissy McHenry and Abbey Wolfe, 93 each, Laura Sims and Priyanka Joshi, 104 each

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Ashley Bint added a 96 for Churchill followed by Sarah Walls and Lexi McFarlane, 102 each Amanda Dobos, 110

"Wed like to have been there, Harper said "We played well, we were only six strokes out of making it

Stevenson, fourth in last years Division I state finals, actually finished fourth in the regional by beating Churchill on fifth-player tiebreaker

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out double, but Ostrowski retired the next two batters to set the table for Butzows heroics

'Id have to say this is one of the most memorable games I've ever experienced," said Canfield "Knowing we beat a top-notch team like Canton is a great feeling

Scero went 3-for-3 with a pair of walks, yet managed to score just once Also contributing multiple-hit games for the Chiefs were Delapaz (2-for-5, RBI, stolen base), and Keppen (3-for-5, double) Ostrowski was 3-for-5 with

an RBI and run scored Dresser and Rodes both chipped in with a pair of hits

The defensive play of the game unfolded in the bottom of the ninth when Canton second baseman Wade laid out to rob Lauren Stemberger of a hit

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Warner had little trouble adjusting to 5,300-yard layout The longer the course, the better she is, Harper said 'She

Sadly we didn't place in the top three,' Stevenson coach Jason Delo said

SPORTS ROUNDUP

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The Gems on Ice synchronized skating teams are currently holding private auditions for the 2006-07 season The Gems, who skate out of the Compuware Sports Arena in Plymouth, will be fielding USFS juvenile, novice, junior and masters teams

Anyone interested in trying out for the team should contact director Elise Metric at director@gemsskatingteams com

The Gems' Web site is www.gemsskatingteams.com

SAND VOLLEYBALL

For the second-consecutive

year, a pair of sand volleyball tournaments featuring area high school players will be held this summer in Northville Teams from Plymouth, Saline, Ann Arbor, Carleton, Northville and Novi competed in the 2005 Summer Challenge, which drew 14 squads

This year's Summer Challenge varsity events will be held Sunday, June 25, and Sunday, July 23 There will also be a Freshman/Sophomore Challenge on Saturday, July 22

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Madonna University baseball team is sidelined

Just three more outs Friday and Madonna University's baseball team would have reached the NAIA World Series

But St. Xavier broke the Crusaders' hearts by scratching out the tying run in the bottom of the ninth and then claimed the deciding game of the bestof-three NAIA Heartland Super Regional, 7-6, with a tally in the 10th on a bases-loaded wild pitch

The crushing defeat at St Xavier University in Chicago ended Madonna's great season with a record of 35-21, including regular season and WolvermeHoosier Athletic Conference titles and the program's first regional championship

Madonna nearly won with a gutsy comeback After trailing 4-1, the Crusaders pulled to within 5-4 with two runs in the sixth, on an RBI triple by junior shortstop Kyle Fedorka and an error Then, MU took a 6-5 lead in the top of the ninth

Starting the inning off with a single was Cantons Kevin Entsminger (Redford Catholic Central) He moved around to third on an error and groundout and scored the tying run on a single to right by senior third

baseman Ben Ramsey (3-for-5)

Ramsey stole second, advanced to third on yet anoth er St Xavier miscue and came in with the lead run on a twoout single to right by sophomore Dave Herrick (Westland/Livonia Churchill)

But the Cougars knotted the score 5-5 on a single by Nick Tantillo, setting up the tough 10th

Fedorka (2 for 5) doubled and was at third base with two outs But St Xavier reliever Luke Gregerson - who gave up no earned runs in three innings - struck out Entsminger

In the bottom of the 10th, the Cougars only got one hit, but still scored the winning tally thanks to a pair of hits-batsmen and three wild pitches

The defeat spoiled productive days at the plate by Ramsey, Fedorka and senior second baseman Jason Barbeau (3-for-4, two runs) For the Cougars, who carry a 33-25 mark into the NAIA World Series in Idaho, Ryan Buchler went 4-for-4

St Xavier tied the series earlier Friday, with a 7-3 victory Tossing a two-hitter over sevenplus innings was Cougars' starting pitcher Ryan Quigley

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A five-run sixth broke the game open, although the Crusaders tallied three runs in the eighth to get to within striking distance

For Madonna, Barbeau hit a two-run homer in the eighth and senior first baseman Todd Kalmbach singled to drive in Herrick (who walked)

Although MU starter Greg Spanel took the loss, he deserved better, giving up just one earned run in 51/3 innings

MU wins opener

Madonna got off to a good start at the regional, edging the

Cougars 3-2 on Thursday The Crusaders scored in the first when Entsminger doubled and trotted home on a sacrifice fly by Ben Ramsey

But the Cougars bounced back when Ryan Buchler homered off Madonna starter Derek Dufrane, who pitched an excellent game for the win (81/3)innings, five strikeouts)

MU went up 2-1 in the second on an RBI-squeeze bunt by sen-10r catcher Justin Fabian, which brought home Kalmbach The Crusaders added an insurance run when Kalmbach singled home Herrick, who doubled.

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PCS lacrosse team dumps Lincoln, 6-4

On Thursday, the Plymouth-Canton-Salem boys lacrosse team improved its record to 11-4 with a hard-fought 6-4 victory over Ypsilanti-Lincoln The setblack dropped the Railsplitters to 11-4

"We overcame a slow start and finished quite strong," said PCS coach Mike Costello "Our defense did a great job after the first quarter We limited their chances and played with purpose -

"Again, Johnny Groat got us going I thought Mitch French and Nick Cote played well It was great to get Jared Ruark back in the line-up He had been out for three weeks with tendonitis in his hip Jared got one goal tonight and I'm sure that felt good

"Chris Sorensen made some key stops and allowed us to get backun the game after the first quarter The defense stepped it up and we will need more of that in the last few games"

Groat and Cote both scored a pair of goals for the winners while Ruark and Mitch French netted single goals Assists went to Cote (two), Ryan Gubert, French, John Savino and Sorensen

PCS outshot Lincoln, 32 25 The Warriors battled back from a 3 0 first quarter deficit and 4 3 halftime deficit by outscoring Lincoln 3 0, in the third The final quarter was scoreless

PCS will host Northville

ing Tecumseh 5-0 in the final quarter PCS outshot their hosts, 41-19, and won the groundball battle, 45-30 Gubert paced the offense

with four goals Groat added three and Cote had two Singlegoal scorers for the winners were Pat Goulet, Joey Underwood and Savino French (two), Groat, Cote, Savino, Alex Caryl and Underwood notched assists

"We played well throughout the game and turned it on in the second half," said Costello Our midfield lines all contributed as did our two attack units

'Ryan Gubert is playing great lacrosse right now and it's great to see Johnny Groat and Joey Underwood are all over the field Mike Cooley played well again and it was good to see Pat Goulet get a goal'





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Thursday night in the first round of the state tournament The game is set to commence at $6^{1}30$ p m The two teams split their first two games this season

PCS 12, TECUMSEH 4 On Tuesday, the Warriors broke open a tight game by outscor-

SPORTS ROUNDUP YMCA SPORTS PROGRAMS The Plymouth Family YMCA

is currently accepting registrations for its spring soccer program. Programs are filled on a first-come, first-served basis Volunteers, referees and anyone else needing more information should call the YMCA at (734) 453-2904

Other upcoming YMCA programs include

Summer baseball ---Leagues are forming for children between the ages of 4 and 11 years old Practices begin the week of June 26 with games starting Saturday, July 8 There will be one practice and one game per week The cost is \$68 and all participants need a YMCA youth sports reversible jersey, which costs \$15

Summer softball -Leagues are forming for children between the ages of 8 and 11 years old All leagues are machine pitch Practices begin the week of June 26 with games starting on Saturday, July 8 There will be one practice and one game per week The cost 1s \$68 and all participants must purchase a YMCA youth sports reversible jersey for \$15

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For more information on the summer youth sports leagues, call (734) 453-2904





Second-half rally lifts Bucks to season-opening win

BY DAN STICKRADT STAFF WRITER

Struggling to find the back of the net in its own right, it took a goal by the Fort Wayne Fever to get the Michigan Bucks untracked

Playing their season opener Wednesday in unfavorable rainy conditions at Rochester Stoney Creek, the Bucks overcame a 1-0, second-half deficit just two minutes into the half with four unanswered goals in a 31minute span to post a 4-1 triumph over the Fever in Premier Development League play

I was nervous after they scored that goal," admitted Bucks first-year head coach Dan Fitzgerald, an assistant coach last season "I thought, boy, they are going to pack it in on us and make it difficult to score goals"

The Fever (0-1-0) played the Bucks (1-0-0) straight up for the remainder of the game and the Bucks' speed up top made them pay

"We started to click in the second half," praised Fitzgerald "We got it going offensively"

Fever defenseman Misiko Bonivenger gave the Fever its shortlived 1-0 advantage in the 47th minute, when he headed in a cornerkick from John Michael Hayden

That seemed to ignite the Bucks' offense like a volcanic eruption Controlling play and consistently putting pressure on the Fever backfield, it was all Mid-Michigan after that point After coming into the contest as a

substitution, Bucks forward Kenny Uzoigwe (Toledo) knotted the game at 1-1 in the 60th minute, after he converted a penalty kick The restart was awarded after a handball in the box Uzoigwe went on to net the hat trick for the Bucks

Erik Nelson (Dearborn/Detroit Country Day grad) scored the eventual game-winner off a deflection at 66 30

Uzoigwe notched his second goal in the 82nd minute Nate Jafta (Lindsay Wilson College, Ky) set him up with the ball inside the box, and Uzoigwe scored from close range Chase Tennant (Rochester/University of Michigan) began the play with a steal, sent the ball into the corner, chased down by Jaffe, who redirected the ball into the box to a wide-open Uzoigwe

The speedy Uzorgwe capped the scoring just seconds into extra time when he blasted home a pass from Mychal Turpin (Pontiac/Detroit-Mercy) The Bucks posted a lopsided 16-4 shots advantage in the game, including 13-2 with shots directly on goal Bucks goalkeeper Dominic Cervi (Tulsa) picked up the win between the pipes, making one save

Madonna golf coach steps down

Madonna University men's golf coach Bill Durham has resigned his position after three season citing increased responsibilities with his golf business

Durham, a Livonia Churchill High graduate, works full time as director of golf for the City of Livonia public courses

'This is a choice I have to make, but not one I want to make, Durham said "Based on my current set of circumstances, I cannot devote the time I need to either coaching, my family, and my business

'My original intention with the men's golf program at Madonna was to get a solid foundation built I have enjoyed my time at Madonna immensely

Durham, who started the MU program from the ground up, guided the Crusaders to a third-place finish in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference (2004)

He also helped produce the first individual WHAC champion in MU history, Justin Goyt

MU athletics director Bryan Rizzo will assume day-today operation of the men's program while a new head coach is sought

"We ll miss Bills passion for golf his expertise and commit ment he showed to the University, Rizzo said





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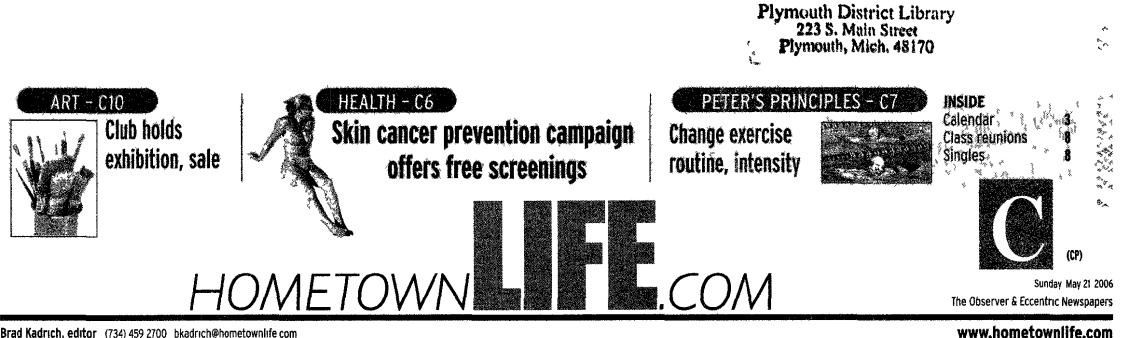
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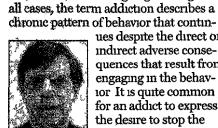


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'I'm empty; fill me up'

tells us that addiction is a compulsion to repeat a behavior regardless of its consequences A person who is addicted is sometimes called an addict There is a

lack of consensus as to what may proper-ly be termed "addiction." However, addiction is often applied to compulsive behaviors other than drug use, such as overeating or gambling In



ues despite the direct or indirect adverse consequences that result from engaging in the behav-10r It is quite common for an addict to express the desire to stop the behavior, but find himself or herself unable to

Paul Melrose

Addiction is often characterized by a crav-

ing for more of the drug or behavior, increased physiological tolerance to exposure, and withdrawal symptoms in the absence of the stimulus Many drugs and behaviors that provide either pleasure or rehef from pain pose a risk of addiction or dependency

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Early psychoanalytic theory might suggest that people with compulsions or addiction are feeling empty and need to be filled up That approach might help us understand the need to do something, like drink or gamble, or have a compulsion to spend, work, exercise If one is feeling empty inside, that could do with a number of things having a physical dependency, a disease, having a genetic predisposition, seeing something culturally reinforced, making poor choices

Our president has warned us that as a society we are "addicted" to petroleum I use that as an example of what might be a need to fill us up so that I can do what I want to do now, to feel better When we don t have gas, we cannot use the car, and that might prevent us from fulfilling many needs or desires But there are many examples of this need to 'fill me or a craving, or satisfying an imm diate need, which we are learning can lead to psychological, emotional, physical, financial harm to self and others Internet addiction, whether simply to use the computer, or use it to find a social or sexual relationship, can hold one together when they have no social contact, but at the same time can isolate one from the world and relationships A lot of what might be called an addiction can only be what is in the eye of the one behaving in this way, struggling with the substance or in the eye of the beholder, what your friend or spouse or child sees you doing Of course, the one behaving is often in denial that his/her behavior may be having negative consequences for him/herself or the ones around him/her This urge or compulsion to make myself feel better now is from the point of view of many, layperson and professional, a serious problem While our faith traditions and psychology support the need for healthy and happy people, the way to happiness does not seem to be just to satisfy my happiness here and now What is missing, it seems, are two things some criteria to make healthy or good choices for a person, and an agreed set of boundaries for a person to live within In our society, our laws provide the most basic set But our lifestyles, our family culture, or even the kind of narcissistic need which puts me first and thats it, work against moderation One must look into one self to determine when this much is too much What is it that causes this behavior? In many cases, lack of a relationship to self, to others, to God, will create the sense of low self-esteem, pain from depression, or anxiety or failure, and many other things which will create an emotional, spiritual and psychological sense of pain which needs immediate relief There are two responses that do not work simply to choose to behave in a way that continues the behavior or addiction that masks the pain, or to blame my past, or society, or someone or thing outside yourself that this is why you feel this way Look for the professional assistance, the friendships, the activities, the spiritual or religious faith that will speak to you to keep you from not helping yourself but hurting yourself, such that you too remain either addicted, behaving compulsively, and therefore continue to feel empty and be unhappy Dr. Paul Melrose is the director of clinical servic es and the newly appointed executive director of the Samaritan Counseling Center He can be reached at www.paulmelrose.com.or (248) 474 4701 The center can be reached at www.samari tancounselingmichigan com or (248) 474 4701

Changing perceptions



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Rod Florka, who works in the pro shop at Pheasant Run in Canton works with his little friend Evan Cassidy, 2, of Canton out on the range, while his mother, Dawn Cassidy, looks on

Canton's scenic Pheasant Run accommodates all golf levels



BY KURT KUBAN STAFF WRITER

more the spot a person tees off on the first hole at Pheasant Run Golf Club, he or she would have to travel more than 10 miles before walking off the course's 27th and final green

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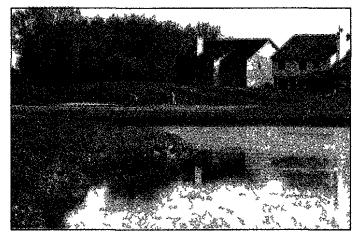
Sighting deer, hawks, blue herons and even the occasional covote is not uncommon at Pheasant Run The aesthetics of the course are aided further by the fact there is plenty of water around, from large ponds to Mott Creek, which meanders along several holes

It's not exactly your typical communityowned public golf course In fact, in many respects, Pheasant Run, Canton's second municipally-owned course, is the pride and joy of the growing community

When Pheasant Run opened in 1995, it was an 18-hole course Another nine holes were added in 2002, bringing the course to its current 27 holes The course was

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John and Ann Weber (from left) and Debbie Simonie said they've loved living off the 26th hole of Pheasant Run for the past three years



Pheasant Run Golf Club's West, par-5 27th hole features water, sand and a picturesque view

When Pheasant Run opened in 1995, it was an 18-hole course. Another nine holes were added in 2002, bringing the course to its current 27 holes.

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Gala proceeds help the developmentally disabled

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

Emory Daniels is counting on Steel Magnolias to draw supporters of the Community Opportunity Center (COC) to this year's fund-raiser on Saturday, June 3 The Rosedale Community Players' production is sure to make 'em laugh, make 'em cry after they enjoy an elegant wine and hors d'oeuvres reception at 6 30 p m in the atrium of the Livonia Civic Center Library

When Julia Roberts, Sally Field, Dolly Parton and Shirley MacLaine starred in the 1989 movie, it was a big hit While the COC doesn't like to rely on a single benefit, Daniels, the board president, is hoping to raise part of the \$100,000 lost in funding last year The nonprofit organization provides services to nearly 100 persons with developmental disabilities who live in homes and apartments in Livonia,

Redford, Plymouth, Westland and Garden

Tickets are \$75 each or \$125 for two, and include the play and the reception featuring a shrimp bowl, red and white wines, a punch fountain, and a variety of desserts For more information, call (734) 422-1020

"We were among the first in Wayne County to provide housing for people with disabilities," said Daniels of Livonia "We have a strong volunteer base and residents know they can rely on us We'll always be there

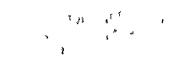
"We encourage them to find employment or to be active during the day so that they are out in the community in some way We're interested in their well-being, not just providing a place to sleep

The gala fund-raiser marks the third time the theater group has performed on

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Judy Durham (left) of Livonia, Lindy Bruton of Southfield, Tamara Gries of Allen Park, Nancy Florkowski of Redford and Julie Marzka of Canton perform in 'Steel Magnolias,' a comedy that takes place in a Louisiana beauty parlor



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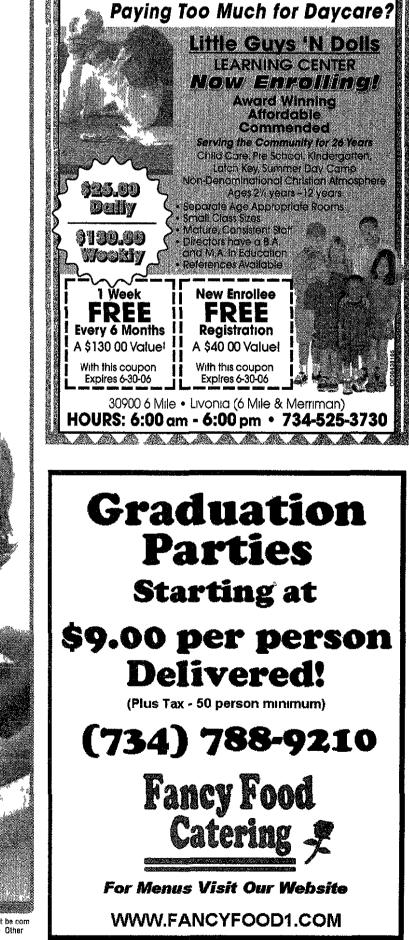
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

AROUND TOWN

MHS program

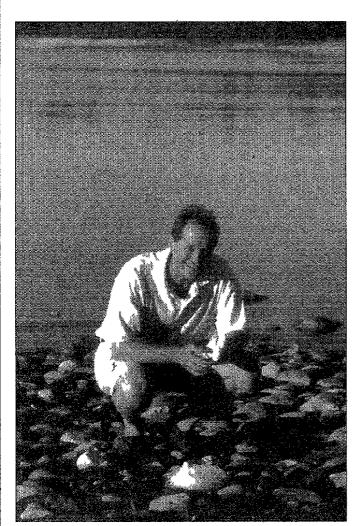
The Michigan Humane Society's Berman Center for Animal Care in Westland is offering spay or neutering of cats and vaccinations for \$20 for families with financial difficulties through May 31 The center is at 900 Newburgh Road south of Ford Road People must provided proof if finan cial need such as documentation from government funded programs at the time of their appointment. The proof can include the Family Independence Program state disabili ty assistance food assistance WIC program and Medicaid To make an appointment call (734) 722 1415 Hogs for cats dogs Motor City Harley Davidson presents the sixth annual HOGS for Cats and Dogs benefit for the Michigan Humane Society 10 a m to 4 p m Saturday June 10 at Motor City Harley Davidson 34900 Grand River in Farmington Hills An early bird breakfast will be held at 9 a m Breakfast and refreshments through out the day provided by Gús O'Connor's Public House An observa tion run departing from Motor City Harley Davidson is open to all and starts at 10 00 a m last bike in by 3 00 pm For more information call the dealership at 248 473 7433 Registration \$10 or \$5 with donation of a wish list item

Charity golf

A summer days worth of fun never helped so many which is just what golfers at the fourth annual Michigan Tournament of Charities will do when they play at Fox Hills Golf and Country Clu in Plymouth Aug 28 Registration and breakfast begin at 9 a m with the 18 hole shotgun start at 10 30 a m Arbor Hospice & Home Care joins Open Door Ministry Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries For the Kids Foundation Joy of Jesus Band of Angels Children's Therapy Fund and Promise Village Home for Children in benefiting from the generosity of MTOC and participants of the golf tournament This distinguished golf tournament concludes with a banquet and live and silent auctions Everyone is encouraged to join the evening fes tivities which kicks off at 4 pm To register for this event please contact Arbor Hospice & Home Care at www.arborhospice.org_email laren@arborhospice org or call 734 662 5999 extension 120 Registration can also be done through the Michigan Tournament of Charities website www.mtocgolf.org and indi cate supporting Arbor Hospice &

Home Care **Diabetes support**

The Diabetes Support Group at St Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia hosts a presentation Diabetes and Neuropathy Pain Management 7 8 30 p m Wednesday June 14 in the hospi tal s auditorium Guest speaker is Timothy Wright M.D. Pain Management St Mary Mercy Hospital There is no charge for the meeting and pre registration is not required St. Mary Mercy Hospital is located at 5 Mile and Levan in Livonia. For more information call (734) 655 8961



Charles in charge

The Plymouth District Library welcomes Plymouth resident Charles Barker named one of Michigan's Notable Book Authors 2006 by the Library of Michigan in a 7 pm appearance Wednesday, May 31 Barker will talk about his newest book, 'Under Michigan' The Story of Michigan's Rocks & Fossils Wayne State University Press called this work An exciting trip below the surface of Michigan's rocks and fossils

a wonderful resource for young explorers to use at home in school, or on a trip across Michigan ' Barker is also the author and illustrator of The Day the Great Lakes Drained Away' Register for this free program by calling the Reader's Advisory Desk at 734-453-0750, Ext 4

Food choices

St Mary Mercy Hospital hosts a pres entation on how to make colorful food cho ces to improve your health while increasing your energy and improving your mood 10 30 11 30 a m Wednesday May 31 at the Northville Senior Center Speaker is Registered Dietitian Katie Dooley of St. Mary Mercy Hospital The presentation is free but registration is required. To register call the Northville Senior Center 303 W Main at (248) 349 4140

Genealogical society

The Livingston County Genealogical Soc ety meets 7 pm June1 with quest speaker Tom Zielke Jr talking about Preserving the Cemeteries in Marion Township There's a help ses sion at 6 p m. The meeting takes place at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Mercy hosts its annual Cancer around breaking for the hospital s

new cancer center with a reception

tals South Lobby Creative writing workshop The Michigan Horror Writers presents

and speaker noon 1 p m in the hospi

its Spring 2006 writing workshop Revealing Character or What s in Your (Hero's) Wallet? 3 45 6 15 p m Saturday June 24 in the community room of the Madison Heights Fire Department headquarters 31313 Brush Madison Heights Author Diane Burton offers tips for developing memorable characters which the reader will either root for or hiss at Admission is \$25 for Michigan Horror Writers members \$30 for pre regis tered attendees \$35 for registration after June 3 and \$40 for walk ins Attendees should submit a sample of their writing with their registration For more information or to register e mail Shelby at president@michigan horrorcom

Hospice training

Heartland Hospice is looking for car ing and dedicated people with an interest in serving terminally ill natients 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 p m May 23 24 Attendance at both ses sions is required its 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 C ty Club 1830 Washtenaw (between Devonshire and Hill) 1.6 p.m. 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 Summer internships

Want to gain valuable knowledge

through internship experience while being immersed in a vibrant creative setting? If so the Ann Arbor Art Center is the place for you Applications are now being accepted for internships during summer 2006 at the Ann Arbor Art Center Internships include positions in Education Exhibitions the Gallery Shop marketing graphic design spe cial events development and opera tions. All internships at the Ann Arbor Art Center are unpaid Additional detailed descriptions of all intern ships available can be found at www.annarborartcenter.org To apply for an internship forward all resumes to info@annarborartcenter.org.with Internship in the subject heading Alternatively mail a resume and cover letter to Marsha Chamberlin at the Ann Arbor Art Center at 117 West Liberty Ann Arbor 48104 or fax it to 734994 3610

Literacy Council tutors

The Community Literacy Council (CLC) is looking for volunteer tutors in Western Wayne County to help adults improve their reading writing and communication skills The CLC will provide training to interested volun teers Previous experience or a bache for sidegree is not required. The coun cil will provide free training and mate rials and then match you with an adult student in your area Call (734) 416 4906 for more information

Grief support

New Hope Center for Grief Support is a Christian based bereavement out reach and resource center located in Northville Age appropriate groups for widows and widowers are provided in various locations in southeastern Michigan including groups for young widows and widowers and their chill dren between the ages of 4 through the teen years Groups for parents who have lost a ch ld adults who have lost a parent pet loss and other specialized groups are offered at vari

ous times of the year All services for adults and children are offered at no cost to the participants. If you are grieving or know someone who is please call the office at (248) 348 015 for further information about services* provided by New Hope Center for Grief Support or visit www.newhope center net

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CLUBS

Rotary A M The Plymouth Rotary Club of Plymouth A M meets at 7 a m every Tuesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center 525 Farmer New members are always welcome Contact Mark 👘 🍬 Hammar president Rotary Club of Plymouth A M by calling (734) 455 6620

MOPS meet

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) meets twice monthly from September May for moms and their children newborn kindergarten at Lakepointe Bible Church in Plymouth For more information call Crystal Johnson (734) 459 1861

Mosaic

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

Moms Club

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

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



Levan On the same day St Mary Survivors Celebration as well as the

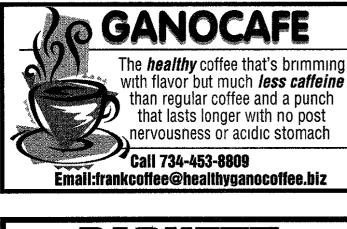
Republican women meet

The monthly meeting of the Suburban Republican Women's Club takes place 6 30 p m Thursday May 25 at the Pic A Bone Restaurant 30325 Six Mile in Livonia Speakers will be state Sen Laura Toy state Rep John Pastor and Wayne County Commissioner Laura Cox There is a \$15 charge for the din ner which includes lasagna salad dessert and beverage. Visitors and guests are welcome For reservations call (248) 320 5473

Day Saints 1041 Grand River in Howell The public is invited. For details, call Margaret Bowland (810) 227 7745 St Mary s classes

St Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia is sponsoring a presentation titled Menopause and Sleep Apnea Detection and Treatment 7 9 p m Wednesday June 7 Speaker will be registered sleep technologist Scott G Work RPSGT EMTP Sleep Center Coordinator St. Mary Mercy Hospital There is no charge but registration is requested For more information or to register visit www.stmarvmercv.org on the Web or call (734) 655 1100 St Mary Mercy hosts a community open house called Kaleidoscope of Care 15 pm Sunday June 4 All events are free and will take place on the hospital grounds at 5 Mile and

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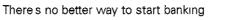
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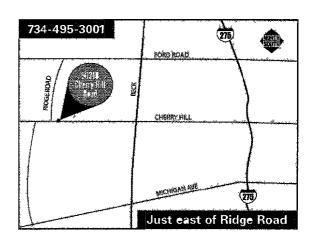
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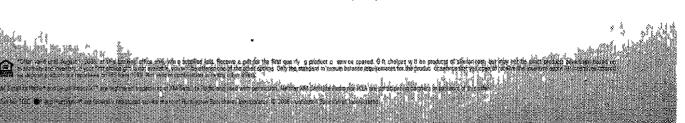
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City of Plymouth NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING 2006-2007 PROPOSED CITY BUDGET

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on Monday, June 5, 2006, at 7 00 PM. in the portable band shell in Kellogg Park, or in the Commission Chambers of City Hall at 201 South Main Street in the event of inclement weather, for the purpose of discussing and receiving public comments on the proposed 2006-2007 City Budget

PROPOSED 2006 CITY MILLAGE RATES: The property tax millage rates proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing The following statements are provided concerning the 2006 proposed millage levies for the City of Plymouth

The 2006 tax rate for City operating millage is proposed to be 11 3834 mills, which is the same as the 2005 operating tax rate The City Commission has the authority under the City Charter to set the operating millage rate within the maximum allowed rate of 11 3834 mills, as adjusted by the Headlee millage roll-back formula

The 2006 tax rate for debt service millage to fund debt service requirements for the 1997, 1998, 2002 and 2004 General Obligation Street Bond issues is proposed to be 2 4200 mills, a decrease of 2300 mills from the 2005 tax rate

The 2006 tax rate for City solid waste and recycling millage is proposed to be 1 9700 mills, which is an increase of 2300 mills from the 2005 tax rate

The total City millage for all purposes is proposed to be 15 7734 mills for 2006, which is the same as the 2005 total City tax rate of 15 7734 mills

EQUALIZATION FACTORS: Wayne County established a tentative 2006 equalization factors of 1 0299 for the residential class of property, 1 1484 for the commercial class of property and 1 1016 for the industrial class of property Since the City has increased assessments for the residential, commercial, and industrial classes for 2006 by the proposed factors, all 2006 equalization factors will be set at 1 0000

2006-2007 PROPOSED CITY BUDGETS: The budgets for the various funds of the City of Plymouth are proposed for 2006-200 as follows

GENERAL FUND:				
REVENUES		EXPENDITURES		
Property taxes	\$4,763,090	Administration	\$1,338,370	
Licenses & Permits	3,100	Buildings & Grounds	502,490	
Federal Grants	0	Police Department	2,582,980	
State-shared Rev	877,770	Fire Department	1,019,160	
Sales of Service	497,950		636,000	
Cemetery Revenue	179,500	Other Functions	199,900	
Parking Revenue	51,000		219,440	
Other Revenue	828,490	Debt Service	183,990	
Transfers In	0	Transfers Out	518,570	
REVENUE TOTAL	\$7,200,900	EXPENDITURE TOTAL	\$7,200,900	
MAJOR STREET F	'UND:			
Gas & Weight Tax	\$ 386,720)		
Contrib & Other	25,550)		
REVENUE TOTAL	\$ 412,270	EXPENDITURE TOTAL	\$ 412,270	
LOCAL STREET F	UND:			
Gas & Weight Tax	\$ 156,920)		
Contrib & Other	176,680			
REVENUE TOTAL	\$ 333,600		\$ 333,600	
RECREATION FUN	ND:			

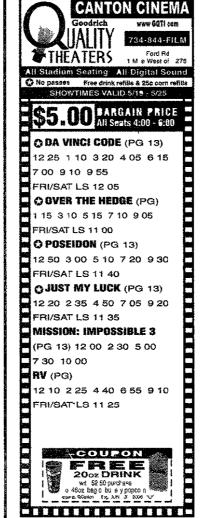
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carved out of an area covering more than 300 acres, in the shadow of Summit on the Park and Canton Township's administrative building

ACCOMMODATING

While many of the holes are quite challenging, designer Arthur Hills made sure it could accommodate all levels of golf As a result, there are wide fairways, large greens and four different tee boxes on each hole There are hazards, but they are designed to be clearly visible to golfers

Theres this perception out there that Pheasant Run is a course for professionals It is really designed for anyone to play, and people are starting to realize it We've really seen an increase with the number of ladies who are using the course, which is good for us and good for the game of golf," said Sean Fletcher, recreation



and facilities supervisor for Pheasant Run and Summit on the Park.

In this area of the state, Fletcher says the course is probably most similar to Fox Hills in Salem Township, Stonebridge in Ann Arbor and the course at Eastern Michigan University

"We think we're very competitive with them - not just geographically, but also the competitiveness of the course, design and cost, he said

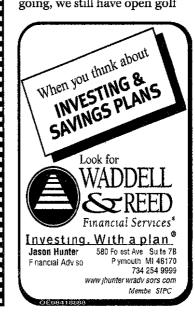
While the general perception is that Pheasant Run is expensive to play, especially compared with Cantons other golf course, Fellows Creek, officials say it is less than most people think, especially if the course is played on weekdays

The cost really depends on what day and what time a person plays During weekdays, it can cost as little as \$35 to play 18 holes However, during weekends and holidays, when demand is the greatest, it costs a little more – as much as \$65 for a round of 18 There are discounts for Canton residents, who comprise about 40 percent of the people who play the course

LEAGUES

There are 16 leagues at Pheasant Run, which include a httle more than 300 regular members Even when leagues are going, however, it doesn't preclude someone from getting on the course to play a round, according to Greg Bores, who has been the head pro at Pheasant Run for three years "When we have leagues

going, we still have open golf



on the other nine, so you really can get on the course just about any time And that's the way it was designed," Bores said

Last year was a big one at Pheasant Run, with some 43,000 rounds of golf played the most in the course's history That's about 6,000 more rounds than in 2004 But Canton officials are not resting on their laurels Even during a time when golf rounds have dropped in the region, they would like to see the number of rounds increase at Pheasant Run

One area where officials felt they could improve Pheasant Run was the clubhouse, particularly when it came to the food services This year the menu was expanded at Fore Star Grill Some people now come in for lunch or dinner without even playing the course

According to Greg Hohenberger, business supervisor for Canton Leisure Services, Pheasant Run is a great example of the quality programming and services that the department provides the community

"I think it's very important in what we do," he said "It's just one more piece of the pie in what we offer - golf, our many parks, the Village Theater It all brings a little higher quality to lives of Canton residents"

For more information about Pheasant Run or any of the other programs Canton Leisure Services has to offer, visit the Web site www cantonmi org, or call (734) 397-6460

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Prog Fees & Other 935,000 REVENUE TOTAL \$ 1,185,000	EX	PENDITURI	E TOTAL	\$ 1,185,000
WASTE & RECYCLING FUND:Property Taxes\$ 727,190Sales of Service256,860REVENUE TOTAL\$ 1,013,110	Operating Expenses \$ 936,600			
OTHER CITY FUNDS:		VENUES	EXPEN	DITURES
Plym Community Youth				
Advisory Comm Fund	\$	550	\$	550
Parking Fund	\$\$ \$\$ \$\$ \$\$ \$\$	6,000	\$	0
DDA Operating Fund		731,970	\$	731,970
Building Fund		438,890	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	438,890
Neighborhood Services Fund		126,680	\$	126,680
Brownfield Re-Development				
Authority Fund		348,610	\$\$ \$\$ \$\$ \$\$ \$\$ \$\$ \$\$ \$\$ \$\$	$348,\!610$
Drug Law Enforcement Fund		5,250	\$	5,250
OWI Forfeiture Fund		5,350	\$	5,350
1997 GO Bond Debt Fund		609,710	\$	643,384
1998 GO Bond Debt Fund		97,880	\$	105,701
2002 GO Bond Debt Fund		165, 145	\$	171,650
2003 LTGO Debt Fund		69,620	\$	69,620
2004 GO Debt Fund		167,040	\$	177,310
2006 GO Debt Fund		50,300	\$	50,300
2002 Capital Improvement Bonds]
:Debt Fund		133,550	\$	$133,\!540$
Michigan Transportation Fund				1
Debt Fund	\$	250	\$	275
Municipal Bldg Authority	\$			l
Debt Funds		251,140	\$	251,130
Water/Sewer Bond & Interest				
Debt Fund		274,370	\$	$274,\!370$
DDA Debt Fund		432,760	\$	432,760
Public Improvement Fund		24,600	\$	0
DDA Capital Improvement Fund		138,000	\$	138,000
2004 GO Bond Construction Fund		15,000	\$	1,674,088
2006 LTGO Bond Construction Fund		1,008,000	\$	1,008,000
MTF Construction Fund		13,000	****	300,000
Cemetery Trust Fund		32,000	\$	22,000

Financial plans for the Budget Stabilization Fund, the Water & Sewer Fund and the Equipment Fund are also included in the Budget Document

TRANSFERS BETWEEN APPROPRIATIONS:

As provided in State law, the general appropriations resolution is proposed to allow the City Manager to transfer up to ten percent (10%) of each appropriation to any other appropriation within each fund, but not from **Reserve Accounts nor between funds**

COPIES OF PROPOSED BUDGET AVAILABLE:

A complete copy of the 2006-2007 City Budget is available for public inspection at the City Clerk's office during regular business hours, and also at the Plymouth District Library during its regular hours of operation

Linda J Langmesser, CMC City Clerk

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Bring a buddy

Skin cancer prevention campaign offers free screenings

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

Michelle Jasper thought it was only her sunglasses causing the pale pink mark on her nose, but decided to have it checked out anyway The fact thät it might be skin cancer never crossed her mind since shê was in her early 30s and had no family history

Much to Jasper's surprise, Dr Khaled El-Hoshy diag nosed the irritated-looking area as basal cell carcinoma Three months later, the skin carcer recurred Now the Richester Hills woman always wears a hat and sunscreen Jasper keeps the visor down in her car as well because she believes that is where the sun damaged her skin

She also visits El-Hoshy about twice a year for a skin cancer screening UVA/B rays put skin at risk every time an individual steps outside or even sits near a window That s why protection is important rain or shine, no matter the season

It scares you, said Jasper "You wonder are you going to get more'



Dr El-Hoshy gets a closer look at Jonek s skin

SKIN CANCER INCREASING

El Hoshy's skin cancer patients seem to be growing in number and getting younger The Livonia dermatologic surgeon is uncertain whether the change is due to an increase in media awareness or the fact the population is aging Over the last 15 years, he's increasingly diagnosed earlier cases of the disease One out of every five patients he screens has skin cancer

That frightening statistic has led him to offer free examinations in conjunction with the second annual Bring a Buddy campaign by Olay and the American Society of Dermatologic Surgery, an organization of board-certified physicians who are trained to treat the health, function and appearance of the skin and soft tissue with medically necessary and cosmetic (surgical and nonsurgical) procedures Participating dermatologic surgeons across

the country are offering free skin cancer screenings during May and June so women and men can bring a friend or family member with them for a quick and easy visual inspection of the entire body by a physician trained specifically in the diagnosis and treatment of skin diseases and conditions

El-Hoshy sees skin cancer patients at least a couple of times a day at the Somerset Dermatology Institute

'We're trying to educate people about skin cancer The earlier the detection means a much better cure rate, said El-Hoshy, an M D on staff at St Mary Mercy Hospital He formerly had offices in Troy

Early detection leads to almost a 100 percent cure regardless of the type of skin cancer

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, skin cancer is the most common form of cancer in the US El-Hoshy used to



Dr Khaled El-Hoshy, an M D at Somerset Dermatology Institute in Livonia, performs a skin cancer screening of patient Karen Jonek of Sterling Heights

advise anyone over age 40 to go for an annual screening but he is now seeing skin cancer patients as young as 28, because of tanning and tanning salons" and excessive sun exposure With that in mind, he recommends screening by a dermatologist once a year in addition to monthly selfexams of the body including hard-to-see areas such as the scalp and back of neck

scalp and back of neck Of the three different types of skin cancer, which include the highly-curable basal and squamous cell, malignant melanoma is the most dangerous and appears as a dark brown or black mole larger than the size of a pencil eraser El-Hoshy says to just remember the ABCDE's of skin cancer when examining the body Look for moles or spots that are Asymmetrical with irregular Borders or ragged or blurred edges, with more than one Color, a Diameter larger than 6mm or the size of a pencil eraser, and Evolving or changing as time goes by For more information and images, visit olay com

"When skin cancer shows up in 2006, it has been in the making since the 1970s with damage mostly done in the child and teenage years," said El-Hoshy

"Basal and squamous usually present as a sore which doesn't heal for four weeks or a crusted red bump increasing in size'

COVER UP

El-Hoshy loves water activities so he always wears sunscreen (at least 15 SPF), a hat, long sleeved shirts and long pants, and UV (ultraviolet) protective sunglasses 'Stay out of the sun at least between 10 a m and 4 p m (when UV radiation is most harmful)," said El-Hoshy "If you're a mom of a child six months or one year old get them wearing sunscreen, long sleeves"

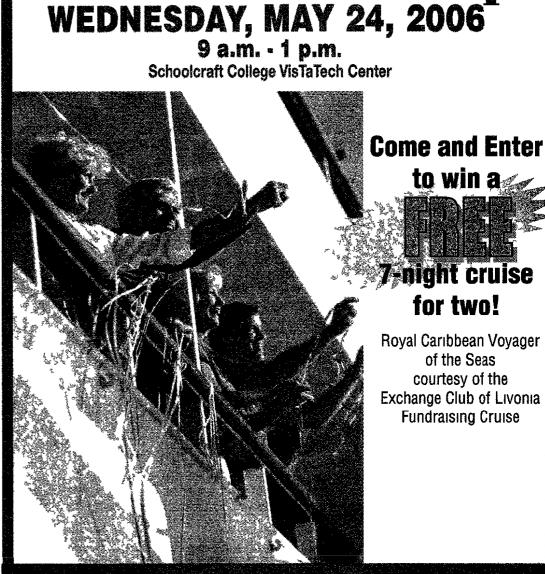
Australia has the largest amount of skin cancer in the world, says El-Hoshy They teach school children about the dangers of the sun at an early age and schedule physical activities in early morning or late afternoon It's a model the US should begin following to prevent skin cancer

For more information about the free Bring a Buddy screenings, call (734) 462-9499 Somerset Dermatology Institute is located at 14555 Levan, Suite 410, in the Marian Pavilion at St Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia

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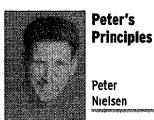
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- 11:45 a.m. Tap Dancing taught by Shirley Rebeck

Change workout routine, intensity

Kathy from Mount Clemens has recently lost 35 pounds. However, her weight loss seems to have come to a halt and she e-mails asking what she can do to break through her wall

Kathy, the first step is to stop focusing on the bathroom scale Often a change reflects the pounds of body fluid you lose and gain everyday rather than how much fat you ve lost Also, because muscle weighs more than fat, you can



lose inches of fat without losing any weight If you ve stopped losing weight, it may be time for a little change You may want to try increasing your

workout intensity by changing your cardiovascular vehicle For

example, if you were biking, try the treadmill or swimming instead

You need to trick the body a little, so it's a good idea to change your routine every two months It's also a must to increase your intensity and time Those extra five or 10 minutes will really add up to extra calories burned!

Bonnie from Pontiac has been suffering from insomnia and e-mails asking about the possible health risks

Bonnie, getting enough sleep can be crucial to you body's ability to fight off disease Researchers examined the link between sleep and a person's immune system, focusing on killer cells These are the cells that fight off viruses and bacteria During the study, a group of men got an uninterrupted eight hours of sleep for the first four nights On the fifth night, they were only allowed four hours of sleep and the results were startling

It's proof positive that for preventing disease, sleep can be just what the doctor ordered!

If you have a health or fitness question you would like answered in the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers e mail Peter at www.peternielsen.com

MAY

Fund-raiser **RE/MAX Showcase Homes hosts a fund** raiser to benefit the Susan G Komen Breast Cancer Foundation 2.5 p.m. today at Beverly Park 18801 Beverly Park Beverly Hills Make a donation and decorate a pink ribbon to line the Race for the Cure route or take a tethered ride in a hot air balloon from 2 30 4 30 p.m. weather permitting For more information call (248) 647 3200 Baby Signs workshop

The Parent Workshop is designed for par ents to be and parents of babies from birth to 24 months and caretakers Parents learn everything they need to know to about incorporating signing into everyday life 2 4 p m today The Sign Say & Play class is a six week program for parents and babies ages 6 24 months to learn and practice simple signs in a fun-musical and play environment series began May 12 Both programs appropriate for special needs children and their parents Pre reg istration required Programs taught by Ruth HaberkornHalm speech and language pathologist and certified Baby Signs instructor at The Kaufman's Children Center West Bioomfield Call (248) 737 3430 or send e mail to rhh4962@aoi com

Senior driving program Presented by St. Mary Hospital and American Association of Retired Person

12 30 4 30 p m Monday Tuesday May 23 24 Attendance at both sessions is required The refresher course is for experienced motorists age 50 and older Participants learn how sharpen driving skills and devel op strategies for adjusting to age related changes in vision hearing and reaction time They will also learn about effects of medications on driving Cost is \$10 Pre registration required Call (734) 655 8950

Stress reduction workshop With guest lecturer Dr. Michael Brackney

DC learn seven danger signs that indicate when your body is under too much stress and Trigger Point therapy a natural way to relieve tight and sore muscles 615 p.m. Tuesday May 23 and June 6 at 8524

Canton Center Road Canton No charge To register call (734) 455 4444 Divorce support

79 pm Tuesday May 23 presentation on building self esteem by conquering nega tive inner voice an attorney from the firm Woll & Woll will be available 5.7 p.m. the third Monday of each month (anyone inter ested may sign in beginning at 4 30 pm that day) a certified financial planner from Center for Financial Planning is available 5 7 pm (sign in begins 4 30 pm) on first Monday of each month at Women's Resource Center in Room 225 of McDowell Center at Schoolcraft College 18600 Haggerty between Six Mile and Seven Mile Livonia Call (734) 462-4443 **Volunteers** wanted

Doctors at Beaumont Hospital are testing Comtan (entacapone) an approved drug to determine if it extends the benefits of lev odopa treatment in people with Parkinson's disease Needed to participate in this research trial are people who have been diagnosed with Parkinson's who are taking no more than four doses of lev odopa each day and who are not yet expe riencing uncontrollable movements Participants must not currently be taking or have taken Comtan in the past Call (248) 898 8595

Beaumont hospital is looking for volun teers for several studies including a vari ety of treatments for prostate cancer and a new type of oral anti diabetic drug for type 2 diabetes. For the prostate cancer research call (248) 551 4147 (Royal Oak) or (248) 964 0604 (Troy) or for type 2 dia betes studies call (248) 655 5920 Unlocking health workshop

With guest lecturer Dr. Michael Brackney DC learn five keys to wellness how to eat drink exercise and sleep correctly discus sion on how the mind and body function together 615 pm Tuesday May 30 and June 13 at 8524 Canton Center Road Canton No charge To register call (734) 455 4444 For more information or to reg ister before May 31 call (734) 655 2980

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

Golf benefit

St Mary Mercy Hospital Golf Classic an 18 hole scramble featuring two shotgun starts at 7 30 a m and 1 30 p m Friday June 16 at Cattails Golf Club South Lyon Proceeds will help build a state of the art cancer center at the hospital Cost for individual par golf package is \$200

UPCOMING

Sharing & Caring

Newly diagnosed breast cancer support Small group discussion for those diag nosed within the past year 7 p m Thursday June 1 in the first floor classroom at the Beaumont Cancer Center 3577 W 13 Mile Royal Oak Sharing & Caring offers educational and support programs for breast cancer survivors their family and friends Call (248) 551 8585 for more information Northland Pacers Walk Around the World Endorsed by the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness Health and Sports in con junction with Providence Hospital begins June 2 with free noncompetitive walking and fitness program includes health screening beginning at 8 a m Friday June 2 in the Food Court at Northland Center Southfield Each registered walker receives a passport to record their progress and a T shirt A healthy breakfast will be served and a speaker will address health issues and encourage participation. Walkers turn in their mileage logs each week. The mall then updates a world map that show the progress Pacers are making in their jour ney it takes 24 901 55 miles to circle the globe. One lap through the center is equiv alent to one mile. For more information call (248) 569 6272 or visit www.shopat

northland com The Northland Pacers walk ing program was begun in 1985 Open house

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Cancer Survivors Celebration noon to 1 pm Sunday June 4 in the South Lobby followed by Cancer Center Groundbreaking at St. Mary Mercy Hospital Five Mile and Levan Livonia No charge At the Open House community members and their fam ilies can enjoy food refreshments interac tive activities such as face painting Teddy Bear Clinic Child ID and Fingerprinting a moonwalk clowns and more Special events include health screenings and Ask the Doctor community rescue teams from Livonia Fire and Rescue and Livonia Police Department and K 9 Unit MedFlight Helicopter Huron Valley Ambulance Wayne County Sheriff motorcycles will be on hand Musical entertainment by Sunset Boulevard Band For more information call (734) 655 1592 or visit www.stmarymercy.org

Teens using drugs workshops

Part two 7 30 9 p m Tuesday June 6 partone provides information on what shouldand should not be done when a teen sub stance abuse problem is suspected or identified part one is repeated every first Tuesday of the month October to June of part two repeats the second Tuesday of $\frac{1}{12}$ is the month October to June in the St Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Centers 7 classroom EC4 5305 Elliott Drive Ypsilanti 1, No charge and open to public Parents vo teens and people who work with teens are all welcome For information call (734) 973 7892 send e mail to jessa@med umich edu or visit www.teen susingdrugs org

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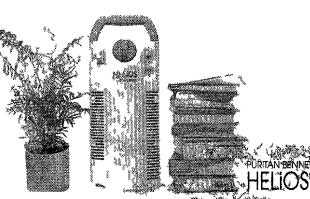
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REUNIONS

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 2 the attending Jills will rehearse 8:30 a m to 4 30 p m and perform at 30 p.m. in the Andover Auditorium afterglow reception will follow. For more information contact Dorothe Patterson at (248) 737 8407 or at Ills50th@comcast net

Belleville High School

🖞 Class Reunion for Belleville High School 3 8 p.m. Saturday Sept 16 at e Belleville High School Cafeteria For information contact Mildred Baker chairperson 139 Clarence St Belleville MI 48111 (734) 699 5231 Plans are in the works for the 7th Annual Alumni Banquet for Belleville **Bigh School Committee members** are planning for a tour of the high School social time and a dinner Representatives from classes in the 1930s and on are arranging for alumni to return to their high school to reaquaint themselves with former classmates Representatives are need ed for several classes and addresses are being collected of alumni so con tact Chairperson Mildred Baker if you can provide information 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 Joann Ellison Armistead (248) 533 9525 Susan Wilmot Hitchcock at hitchcocksw@hotmail.com Central High 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 Leons 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

Class of 1956

A 50 year reunion 5 11 30 pm Friday Sept 8 at Doubletree Hotel Novi \$78 per person \$83 after Aug 18 For reservations call (248) 348 5000 **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 e mail jwork2friends@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 Salesian High School Class of 1956

A 50 year reun on 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

East Detroit High School

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A 40 year reunion for East Detroit High School's Class of 1966 is Saturday Aug 12 at Zuccaro s 46601 Gratiot Chesterfield Township Call Laura (Koster) Lavigne at (586) 263 0677 or visit www.edhs1966.com for more information Epiphany Grade School

Class of 1966

A 40 year reunion is in the planning stages for the summer of 2006 Contact Dorothy at (248) 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 P0 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 (1 275 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 1976

July 29 at George Murphy s on the Creek 7 mile Livonia \$30 per person Contact fhs1976reunion30year@yahoo.com.or

http://home.comcast.net/~thelev76 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 core com

reunions com

A 50 year class reun on s planned for Friday July 14 and Saturday July 15

more information contact Sandy (Mensch) Curtis at (248)426 7464 or Josie (Bonfante) Esper at (248)777 1648 Livonia Chuchill

Class of 1974

Planning a 50th birthday party for July 22 at Hawthorne Valley Country Club Contact Paul Schmidt at (734) 255 3100 Ext 245

Livonia Franklin Class of 1969

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

Class of 1996

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__sit 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@yahoo.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

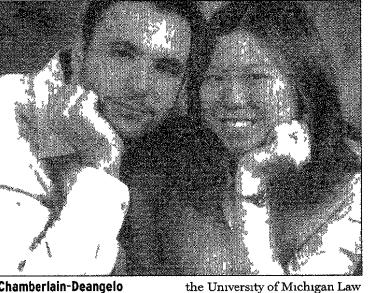
The Third Marine Division Association will hold its annual family reunion on Milwaukee Anyone who served in was is eligible and cordially invited to attend For membership and reunion information contact Sgt Major Bill

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Krueger USMC Ret (703) 451 3844



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Chamberlain-Deangelo Robert and Catherine Chamberlain of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Pamela, to Brian Deangelo, son of Leonard and Carole Deangelo, formerly

of Troy The bride-to-be receiver her bachelors degree from Michigan State University and is a second-year law student at

Smith-Blaskay

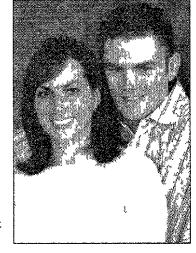
Glenn and Barbara Blaskay of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter Bridget Blaskay to Timothy Smith, son of Donald and Marjorie Smith, of Farmington Hills

Tim is a graduate of Farmington High School and Western Michigan University and 1s now a financial advisor Bridget is a graduate of Ladywood High School and Madonna University and is a school teacher Tim and Bridget will marry in May

Gomez-Adams

Maria Amparo Gonzalez and German Gomez of Alpharetta, Ga, announce the engagement of their daughter, Viviana Gomez, to Ross Milton Adams of Atlanta, the son of Mr and Mrs James Adams of Plymouth

The bride to-be is a graduate of Milton High School in Alpharetta and 1s continuing her education in psychology at Georgia State University She is currently employed as a teller



The prospective groom is a

A September 2006 wedding

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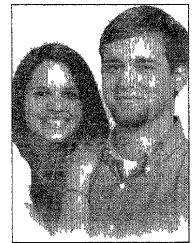
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Johns in Plymouth

Catholic Church, followed by a



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FRED G. MYERS Age 87, of Canton May 16 2006 Beloved husband of the late Neva V Dear father of Ronald (Januce) and Robert Dear grandfather of Steven (Melissa) Jeffrey Jason and Kari Dear great grandfather of Owen and Anna Dear friend of Irma Barry Fineral Service was Saturday at Verneulen Funeral Home Plymouth Memorial contributions to Angela Hospice 14100 Newburgh Rd Livonia, MI 48154 are appreciated To feave a message of condolence log

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(Fran) died on May 17 after a brief valiant fight against lung cancer Born the eldest of six, in Detroit to Floyd and Dolores Perry on April 21 1927 Fran attended Southeastern High School and the University of Detroit In 1950 she married Jervis Wattles She had been living in Dallas Texas for the past year with her good friend and sister in law Ann Perry She had found a loving home there with Ann and her devoted sons and daughters in law Prior to her move to Dallas Fran had been living at the Silver Maple Retirement home in Lapeer Michigan where she had made many new friends Fran a long time resident of Warren was very involved in the South Macomb Hospital Auxiliary serving as its president for two terms and also in the League of Women Voters She enjoyed her thirty years as an interviewer for the Census Bureau Fran is survived by her children Brian Susan (Phillip) and Mary Ann and her four beloved granddaughters Megan Taryn Langley and Isabel She is also survived by her sisters Genevra Stier Nina Huthwaite (Bart) and brother Fred Perry (Dorothy) Preceding her in death were her brothers Edward Perry and Floyd Perry Jr No service is planned Remembrances may be made to the Michigan Animal Rescue League

MARY FRANCES WATTLES

www.michigananimalrescueleague org





"BETTY" ELIZABETH KNIGHT 1916-2006

Of Bloomfield Hills Betty's Detroit heritage dates back to 1840's She was blessed with beauty of person as well as strong intellect There will be an interment service at Christ Church Cranbrook on Tuesday May 23 rd at 2 30 Betty is survived by her hus band and childhood sweetheart Robert B Knight of 65 years (whose Detroit family began also in the early 1800 s) son, W Bruce Knight of Detroit, daughters Nancy Croisant of San Diego and Virginia Knight of Montana plus eight grandchildren



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Webbs celebrate 60th

Richard and June Webb of Garden City celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary May 18

The Webbs were married May 18, 1946, at Calumet Methodist Church in Calumet, Mich They have lived in Garden City for 54 years

The couple have three children, daughter Lee Rich and husband Pat, son Paul Webb and wife Gail and daughter Nadine and husband Orv HartfordThey have six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren

Richard worked in the paint department at General Motors for 32 years and has been retired for 26 years June worked for eight years as a lunch monitor at Maplewood School

Richard enjoys bowling and fishing June enjoys bingo and theater They both enjoy camping and going to casions An open house is planned for

family and close friends

SINGLES

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 guest/\$6 associates/\$5 50 members/\$5 Dress Ladies date style clothes gentlemen jackets and ties for more information call Joe Castrodale (248) 968 5197

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operations specialist at Bank of America in Atlanta

The prospective groom is a graduate of North Hall High School in Gainesville, Ga, and earned a degree in decision science at Georgia State University He is currently employed as a software engineer for Beazer Homes in Atlanta

The bride-to-bes grandparents are Matilde Uscategui de Gonzalez of Bucaramanga, Colombia and the late Alvaro

Sciberras-Brissman

Arthur and April Sciberras of Garden City announce the wedding of their daughter Evelyn Sciberras to Brian M Brissman of Westland

Brian is the son of Stephen and Christine Brissman of Dearborn Heights He is a graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn and is employed by Johnson Controls

The bride-to-be is a graduate of the University of Detroit Mercy and is employed as the office manager at Dearborn Speech and Sensory

A May wedding was scheduled at St Dunstan Catholic

Loula-Natalini

Timothy and Margaret Loula of White Lake announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy Lynn, to First Lt Ryan Natalını

Ryan 1s the son of Ernest and Jıll Natalını of Plymouth He ıs stationed with the 62nd Security Forces Squadron at McChord Air Force Base in Washington

Amy currently works at the Tacoma Landmark Convention Center and Temple Theater, a historic landmark in downtown Tacoma, Wash

Amy and Ryan, both graduates of Michigan State University, live in the Puget Sound region of Washington

Gonzalez Mutis and Sofia Serrano de Gomez of Bucaramanga, Colombia, and the late Climaco Gomez Plata

The prospective groom's grandparents are Mr and Mrs Milton Krieger of Hobart, Okla, and the late Mr and Mrs Idus Bradley (Pide) Adams, also of Hobart

A March 2007 wedding is planned

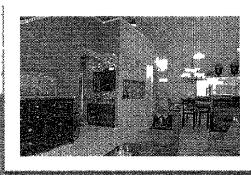


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Three Cities Art Clubs free Spring Art Exhibition and Sale at the Canton Public Library starts 5 p m Thursday, May 24, and runs through 5 p m Saturday, May 26 Come early so you can choose from the dozens of artworks, many of which will be for sale Contact artists directly to arrange for your purchase

An open house reception will be on Thursday evening with an awards ceremony at 7 p m when over \$900 in cash and prizes will be presented to winners of this year's show Enjoy refreshments while viewing the watercolor, colored pencil, oil, and fiber works by local award winning artists such as Sharon Dillenbeck, Cathy Vettese and Meena Schaldenbrand Be sure to bring the kids Most of the artists will be at the reception so this is an opportunity to meet and speak with the artists or commission a piece to meet specific requirements Major sponsors include Parkside Gallery, D & M Art Studio and Arı-El Enterprises, Inc

The judge of this years show is local artist and instructor Karen O'Daniel She earned a bachelor's degree in Fine Arts and Education from Madonna University Today, she teaches painting to adults and seniors

GALA

FROM PAGE CI

COCs behalf after its regular season at the Upstage Theater in Old Redford Billed as a comedy, Steel Magnolias revolves around a group of friends involved with the planning of a wedding in modernday Louisiana

Nancy Florkowski of Redford plays Ousser (pronounced Wheezer) Florkowski and her husband, Fred, have been members of the Rosedale Community Players for years, their daughter, Jenny, since she was age 5 or 6 Jenny, now an adult, recently returned from

Visitors of the Three Cities show will be able to vote for their favorite work of art in the People's Choice competition with a prize awarded to the winner at the conclusion of the show.

in Canton, Plymouth and Westland public schools She exhibits her works in local art shows and has participated in fine art competitions, winning awards in the Cherry Hill Fine Arts Show and the S S Kresge Art Exhibit

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Founded in 1954 by a group of local artists interested in providing an opportunity for sharing information and resources. Three Cities Art Club is one of the area's oldest clubs of its kind Reports of the original three cities include combinations such as Plymouth, Canton, Northville and Livonia, Plymouth,

performing in a national tour

of 42nd Street Florkowski, a

retired teacher, runs the Motor

City Youth Theatre where she

actors at the Grantland Street

said Florkowski "Shes an old,

crabby rich person It's based

around Shelby, a 201sh young

pregnant and shouldn't have a

baby because it takes a toll on

the body Eventually she does

Rosedale Players audiences

loved the production so much

grew in size Mark Phillips, an

art and drama teacher for 33

last season they told friends

and every week the crowds

lady Shelby's diabetic and

She has the funniest lines,

offers training for budding

Playhouse in Livonia

die and its so sad?

Northville though there has never been a residency restriction Members hail from Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw counties From its inception, members have wanted to help each other develop their artistic skills. educate others, display and sell their work and socialize with like-minded individuals From September through June, the club meets generally on the first Monday of the month in lower level meeting room A at Canton Township Hall, 1150 Canton Center Road The meetings include workshops, demonstrations or presentations Members are able to bring in recent works and everyone votes for their favorite in a popular vote competition Annual membership is \$20, which includes monthly meetings, art supply discounts at local stores such as D & M Art Studio, a monthly newsletter, the opportunity to exhibit and sell artwork, and enjoy the camaraderie of those who share their passion

For more information about this event or the club, call Marilyn Meredith weekdays at (248) 557-3800, weekends at (734) 397-2348 or send e-mail to threecitiesartclub@hotmail com

years with Detroit Public Schools, directs the production

The movie so many ladies have seen it,' said Florkowski 'The play is close to the movie and came out first Its about death and how to cope with it Its about friendship

'It's a very touching story of closeness The whole town is there for each other'

The curtain rises on Steel Magnolias 8 p m Saturday, June 3, in the auditorium of the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road The reception runs 6 30-8 p m in the atrium

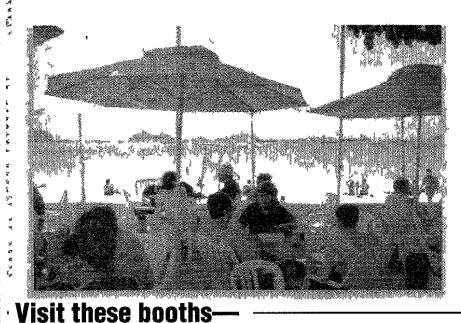
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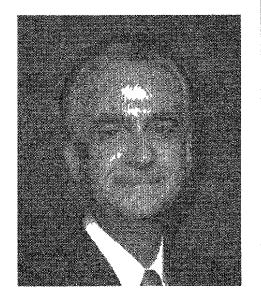
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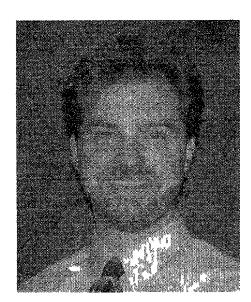


Startling Research Unearthed After 80 Years Validates Latest Health Craze

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Dr. C. Mashike has received numerous awards for his contributions to chiropractic over his 30 years of service to the community. He has helped thousands of people who suffered with many different types of health conditions to regain their health. Dr. Mashike says Chiropractic has become the largest alternative form of health care in the world for only one reason because it works. It gets results!



Dr Adam Mashike a 1997 Graduate of Life University in Atlanta Georgia had the opportunity to work with athletes from around the world during the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta Applying the latest advancements in Chiropractic allows him to get his patients up to their optimum in the shortest period of time The US spends more money on health care than the other 50 largest countries in the world combined yet we are ranked 37th in health Despite this alarming state of affairs there is an enormous healing revolution occurring The current breakthroughs of extraordinary health recovery are heavily supported by research done nearly 80 years ago You are now the beneficiary of what has until now, been the world's best-kept secret

"One Hundred Percent of the Diseased Organs can be Traced Back to a Misaligned and Deteriorated Area of the Spine"

In performing more than 200 autopsies pathologist Dr Henry Winsor discovered that the organs determined to have failed (and were therefore, named as the cause of death) actually had something in common In each and every case, the nerve that supplied the diseased organ was traced back to a misaligned and deteriorated area of the spine in other words, he showed that the health of the nerve supply to organs determines the health of the organs themselves! **The nerve** system is the master system of the body - it controls and regulates every function in your body. Spinal misalignment can cause an interference within the nerve system (a condition known as subluxation) If left undetected subluxation can lead to dysfunction

Let me introduce ourselves, our names are Dr Mashike and Dr Adam Mashike and our purpose in practice is to educate and adjust the families of Plymouth and Canton back to optimal health and wellness using a completely unique and natural approach

When the body begins to experience abnormal functions like asthma allergies chronic pain fatigue or lowered immunity we must first be suspicious of some kind of nerve system interruption. The problem is this. You weren t taught to think that way

If Your Spine was on Your Face, You'd Take Better Care of It!...

I saw this on a marquee several years ago and it really made sense The dental profession has done such a great job teaching us that if we don't maintain proper dental hygiene it can lead to gingivitis cavities and worse That's why most people you know brush and floss their teeth every day an have regularly scheduled visits with their dentist. But while poor dental hygiene might leave you with a set of false teeth it won't kill you On the other hand your spine and nervous system are a completely different story You can't replace either one of them

If your spine and nervous system stop working, so do you! Therefore if your spine was on your face (in other words part of your daily consciousness) you would take better care of it Until recently, body and organ problems haven't been thought to be " spine' problems Today millions of people around the world, including many right here in Plymouth are making a better choice for their health and are experiencing phenomenal results

Get the Big Idea and All Else Follows

If your body is not well and you dump mediation into it, your body is now both sick and poisoned. Reaching for the medicine cabinet is just a bad habit Fortunately, it is also becoming obsolete behavior for a growing number of families The big idea is simple, which is why it s so big! Your brain runs your whole body and communicates its wellness messages" through the nerve system If stress interrupts or traps" nerve supply your body will experience some kind of shutdown We have found that, a vast majority of the time, the nerve system is interrupted as a result of spinal column misalignment Through a series of safe gentle and painless adjustments the full power of the nerve system is restored generating extraordinary healing capabilities within the body The power that made your body heals your body- it doesn't happen any other way.

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Our Patients Are Excited To Talk About Their "True Life" Experiences With Chiropractic Care! (Their Stories Are On File At Our Office)

"My Husband's Seizures Stoped"

Saturday night my husband Larry started to feel like another one of his seizures was coming on He had his first one 2 weeks ago brought on by an auto accident when he was hit in the back of the head During the last 2 weeks Larry had to be helped everywhere he went or with anything he did He was in a daze

"My Son Couldn't Ride His Bike"

Nathan was 8 years old and couldn't ride is bike because he had been sick constantly for over 5 years. He has repiratory problems sinus and ear infections bronchitis and pneumonia. He had sinus surgery,

"My son and I are proud to serve the Plymouth and Canton communities. We have and will continue to dedicate ourselves to the health and welfare of our community. You can call on us day or night, we will be here to help you!"

Dr. C. Mashike

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Open Mon., Wed., Thurs. 8 30 a m - Noon and 3-7 p.m Tues. 5-7 p.m. A friend of the family came over and said we needed to see Dr Mashike It was late but we called him and he said he would meet us at his office It was 10 30 p m when we got there I had to fill out the paperwork because Larry couldn't even write

Dr Mashike x-rayed Larry and found that his top vertebrae had been pushed slightly into his spinal cord causing pressure on the cord With light pressure the Doctor adjusted that vertebrae back into position Larry actually got off the table, turned to Dr Mashike and said it was like waking up from a 2 week nap I could not believe my eyes **he was back to his old self in a matter of seconds** Chiropractic has been a God send for our family

> Sincerely, Debi B.

(Note Since going to Mashike Chiropractic that night Larry has not had another seizure!)

"All Of Us Are Better!"

We were a family of health problems Steve suffered from lower back pain for over 6 years, our children had sinus troubles coughs ear problems chronic allergies and my daughter Anne had signs of Scoliosis I had PMS and back and neck pain Since undergoing chiropractic care our children haven t been sick for almost one year **now!** I am much better and Steve can work and sleep normally again His life and job are much easier now I was a real skeptic before this but the results speak for themselves

The Mashikes are very caring people who were truly concerned about our family s health!

ear tubes and was looking at more surgery soon

The entire family was stressed and we could not live a normal life because of our concern for our ailing son A friend nagged us until I gave in and made an appointment with Dr Mashike I really didn't believe that chiropractic would help but we tried everything else, and thought OK what do we have to lose

We started noticing results within the first week of care and after two months Nathan and the family were able to live a normal life again 1 am so happy I can't believe it Finally what I dreamed and prayed for came true and our son is happy and normal again and riding his bike all over the place Thank you to our friend and Dr Mashike!

Leigh R

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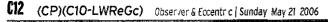
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(NAPSI) — What do women want? When it comes to their careers, studies show, popular responses include options, opportunity, respect, geographical mobility and good pay

Fortunately, for many women — and their families — that can describe many of the jobs available in the skilled trades Trade occupations can include aviation technician, automotive painter, construction equipment operator, welder, carpenter, decorator, chef, horticulturist, IT support analyst, florist, electrician, tool and die maker and water-well driller, to name a few

WHY THE TRADES?

Careers in the trades can offer a chance to contribute to society and the opportunity to be your own boss Skilled trades touch every part of Americans' lives, from roads and homes to hospitals and schools You can get hands-on training and a chance to "earn while you learn"

WHAT DOES IT TAKE?

Some jobs need modest physical strength and endurance, but most do not Virtually all require intelligence and creativity, as well as good reading, math and analytical skills Thanks to technology, skilled trades are not "dirty, as they once may have been Knowledge of computer software and mechanical systems is increasingly important

OPPORTUNITIES ON THE RISE

This nation faces a looming shortage of skilled tradespeople As the baby boomers retire over the next few years, the construction industry alone will be short more than one million workers

WHAT ABOUT PAY?

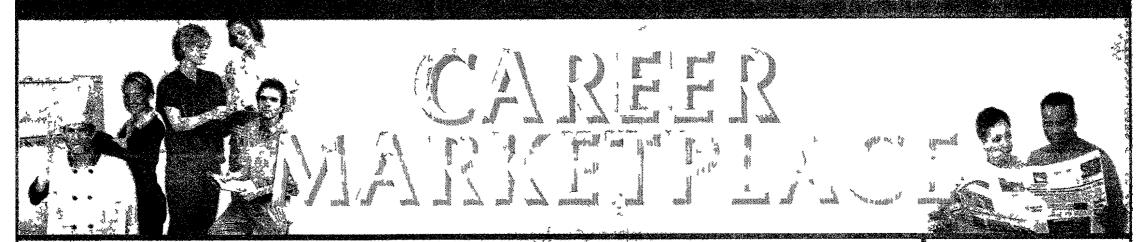
The salary ranges vary by job, location and experience, but a skilled electrician can easily earn \$70,000 a year Apprentices and others may get less and the work for some is seasonal, while union members are often paid more than nonunion workers, report the experts at the National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC)

The organization was founded in 1955 to create a support network and enhance the success of women in the construction industry It now has thousands of members around the world and has advanced the causes of all women in construction, from trades-women to business owners According to the group, educational and career resources play an integral role in facing the challenges of this evolving industry

You can learn more online at www nawic org



Careers for women can include some exciting and lucrative jobs in the skilled trades





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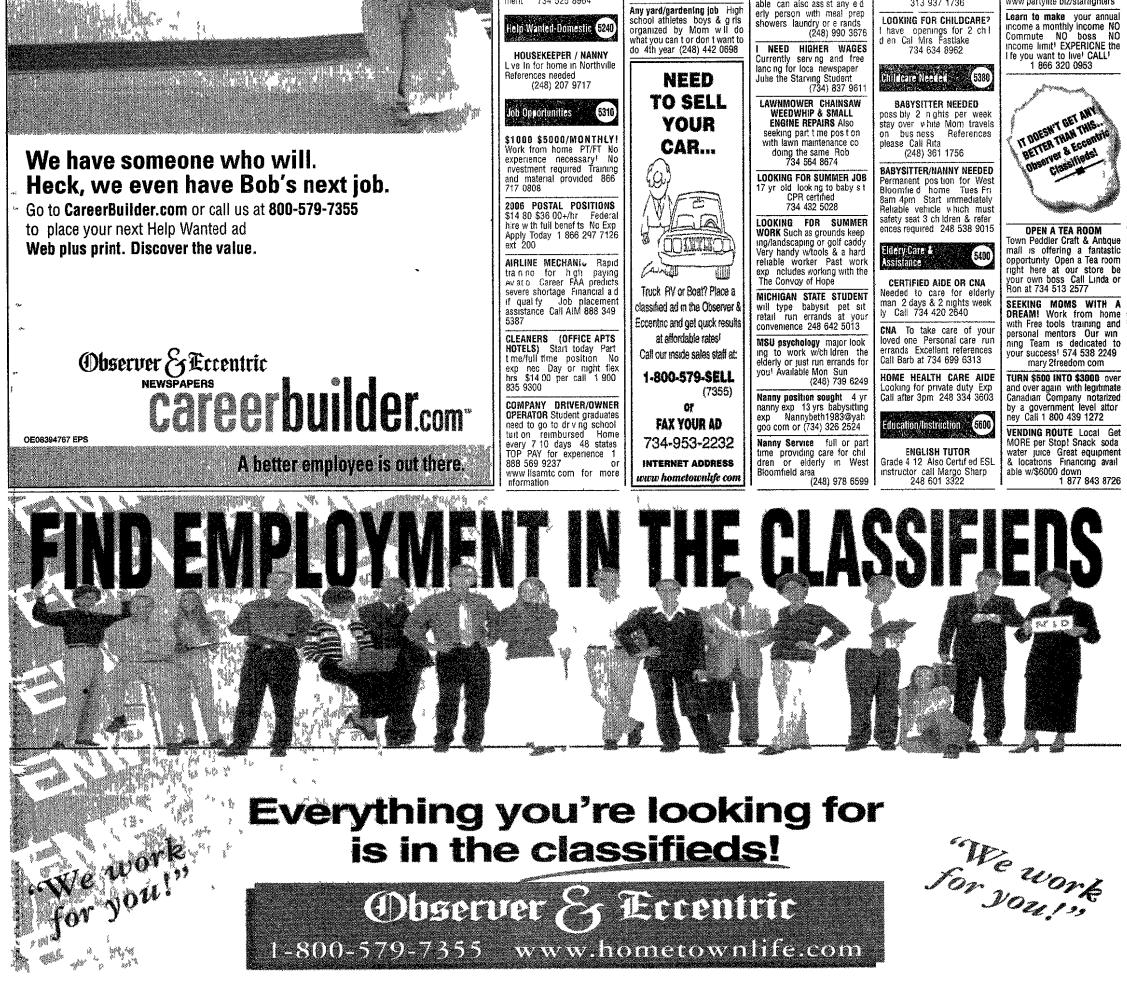
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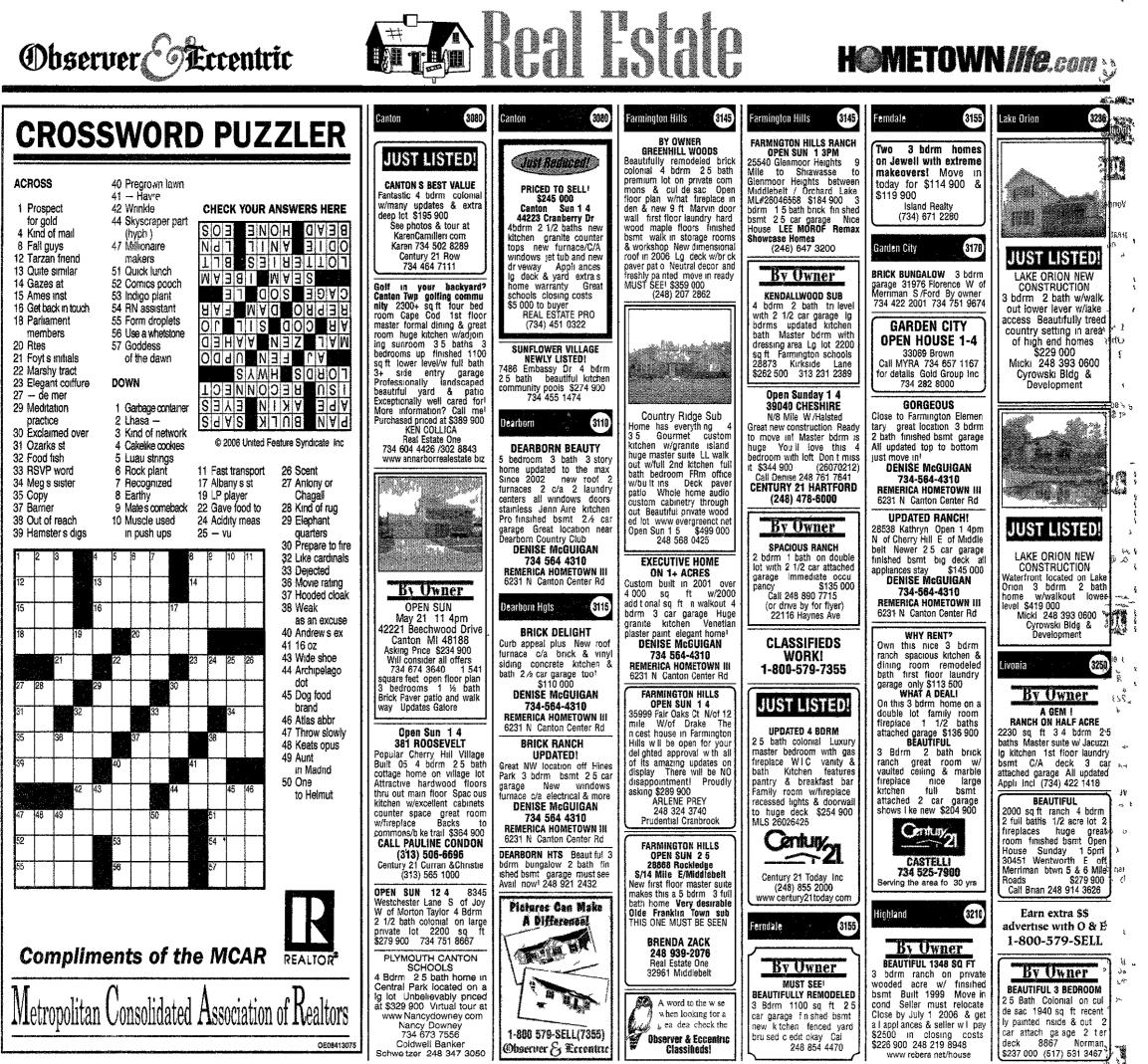
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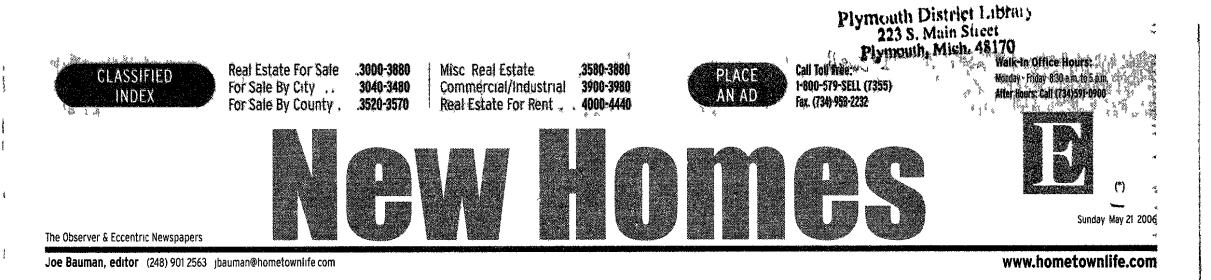
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New Community Beckons Friendships

Sitting on the front porch chatting with the neighbors as the children ride their bikes on the sidewalk or play hide and seek may have given way to the back deck

But not at River Walk, a new 32-home community tucked between two existing subdivisions off Nine Mile Road between Farmington and Power roads in Farmington Hills

Currently under construction by Windmill Homes, this single family residential development focuses on creating a sense of community

Like the traditional subdivision, the local school Flanders Elementary

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is practically at the back door Children can walk to the school for class and after school and on the weekends to the playground, for a game of pick-up basketball or gather for a few innings of baseball on the nearby diamonds without having to leave their community to go play

Plans include a walking path from the rear of the subdivision to the school site

Owner Stuart Michaelson envisioned neighbors gathering in the front porches reminiscent of hfe before back decks and privacy fences took the neighbor out of neighborhood when he first eved the well-treed land and the stream that runs through it

You can just see yourself sitting on the front porch and getting to know your neighbors, he said

That vision was shared by his partners Sami Harb and George Mager

It s hard to find such a perfect site, Michaelson said

While tucked away among the trees, River Walk is accessible to major thoroughfares including the Grand River expressway, Orchard Lake Road and I-696 Shopping amenities include quick access to

Laurel Parkplace, 12 Oaks Mall and the shops and restaurants in downtown Farmington Local grocers and pharmacies also dot the local business landscape

The path to the nearby clementary and its amenities and the return of the sidewalk is also a draw to the residential neighborhood, he said

Michaelson said the overall site plan takes homeowners down Cadıllac Road where they are greeted by a heavily planted center Island entrance, around which a handful of homes are planned The main road crosses over a wood and stone bridge built over the small river meandering the property and leads to homes on both sides of the main street ending in a cul de sac

The rear yards of each home abut a heavily wooded nature preserve with walkways planned for those interested in taking in the nature or just enjoying the change of the seasons

River Walk offers three two-story colonial home styles, each with a variety of floor plan options The three-bedroom Petoskey and Charlevoix and the four bedroom Harbor range from 2,400 to 2,900 square feet and are priced starting from the low \$300,000's

Features based on the home chosen include a winding staircase, two-way fireplace gourmet kitchens, hardwood flooring, intricate trim packages, large master suites with two walk-in closets, garden tubs, a large room over the front porch affording privacy for the resident teen-ager and bedrooms separated by a Jack and Jill bathroom for the younger set

A second floor laundry room is standard

Other options include a deck and a garden room with a two-way fireplace, poured basements with ceilings at almost eight feet in height and a garden room tucked behind the attached two-car garage set back from the main home The reputation held by

the Farmington Community Schools also convinced Michaelson and his partners that the site was perfect for new families

A big plus for this community is the school district, Michaelson said Farmington has a really great school district

Recent Michigan Educational Assessment Program tests indicate students in the district are scoring much higher than state averages with many testing in the highest category

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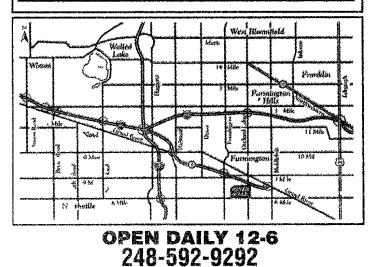
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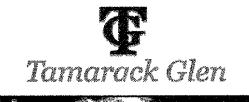




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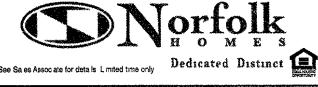
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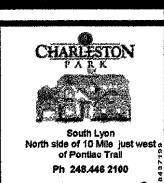
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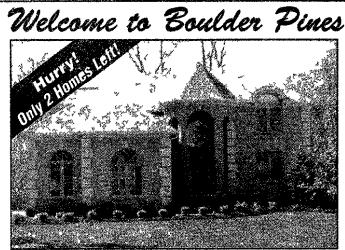
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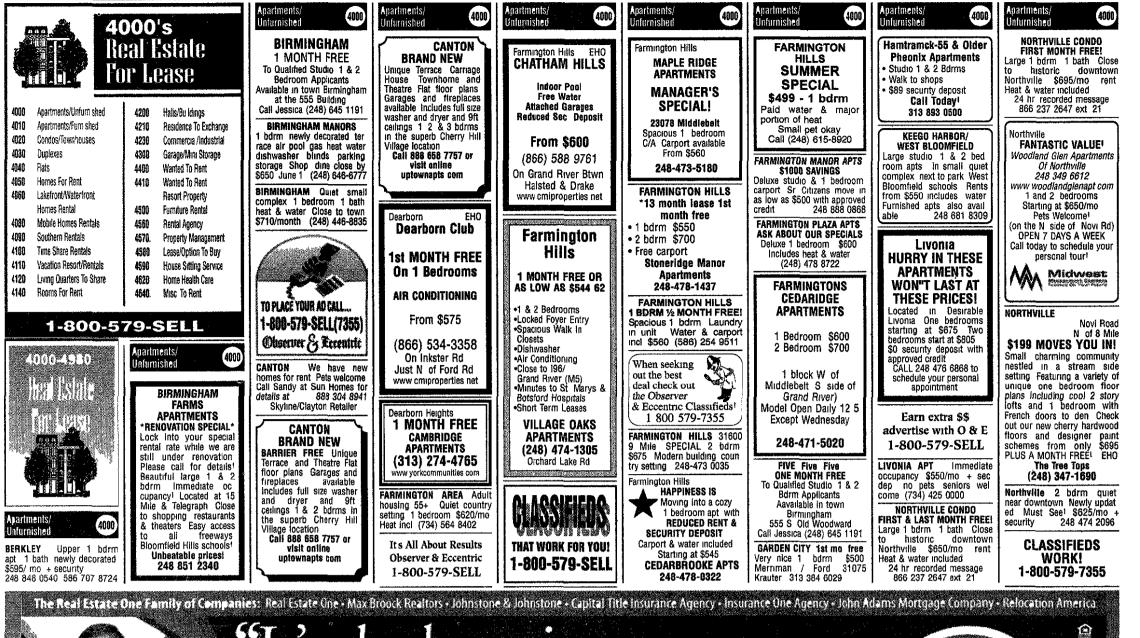
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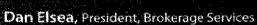
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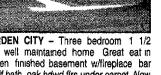
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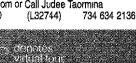


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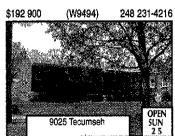
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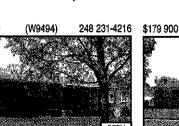
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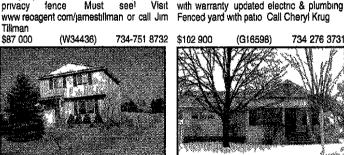
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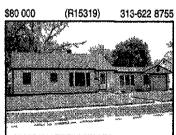


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Keller Williams Realty will be hosting a Free Investor Seminar for real estate agents Come and see how you can learn more about becoming a better investor The seminar will be 10-11 30 a m Thursday, June 1, at Keller Williams, 40600 Ann Arbor Road, Suite 100, Plymouth, MI 48170 and is limited to the first 30 agents who respond Call (734) 459-4700 to reserve a seat

Buying a home

There will be a Free Homebuyer Class 6 30 p m Tuesday, May 23, at Fidelity National Title at Six Mile and I-275 It is put on by Rosemary Firestone of RE/MAX 100 and Michael Firestone of Golden Mortgage A home inspector will attend Attendees are both First Time Buyers and Experienced Buyers It will cover Why it is important to be preapproved and what that entails, what kinds of mortgages are available and to whom, how to avoid a "lemon" and have the house inspected professionally, have a buyer's agent working only for you not the seller, how to get seller concessions to help cover your closing costs, how to decide on a good offering price, what are all the papers involved in writ ing an offer, etc Call for reser vations at (734) 420-9600 or e-mail at info@rfirestoneteam com

Oakland Builders Institute

Oakland Builders Institute will offer the following classes ■ Bloomfield Hills Community Education in cooperation with the institutes Design Spirit will offer a

"Decorate Like a Designer" seminar 7-9 30 p m Wednesdays, May 24, 31, June 7 and 14, at Andover High School, Room 133, 4200 Andover Road, Bloomfield Hills The course will cover basic principles and how to apply them to your home Hands-on exercises include measuring and sketching a room on graph paper as well as finding companion wall, furniture and flooring colors with samples of patterned fabrics You should bring a small pair of seissors to class Cost is \$119 plus \$5 for materials payable to the instructor, a graduate of New York's Sheffield School of Interior Design and the University of Michigan Preregistration by Monday, May 22, to Bloomfield Hills

Community Education (248) 433-0885 Henry Ford Community College in cooperation with the institute will offer a 16-hour Michigan state builders license examination seminar 6 10 p m Monday/Wednesday, June 5, 7, 12, 14, at Henry Ford Community College, Dearborn Heights Campus, 22586 Ann Arbor Trail The course is for those who want to subcontract construction of their own homes, real estate investors/ developers and building tradespeople Cost is \$189 for residents plus \$20 for course textbook and sample questions, \$208 for nonresidents plus \$20 for textbook and auestions Pre-register by Thursday, June 1 Call (313)

Building Industry Association

317-1500 to register with

Henry Ford Community

College

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan will present Executive Image seminar,

Using Bargaining Chips To Close the Sale," 8 30-10 30 a.m Wednesday, May 24, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills Janine LaPorte and Rick

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Weaver of Executive Image Group will identify methods to hone skills and transform salespeople into buyer's partners using bargaining chips for prospective buyers Cost, including continental breakfast, is \$40 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members, \$60 for nonmembers and guests To register, call (248) 862-1033

North Oakland County Golf Classic 8 30 a m to 5 p m Thursday, June 8, at Beacon Hill, 601 Majestic Oaks Drive in Commerce Township Fees include continental breakfast, 18 holes of golf (spikeless course), cart, refreshments and dinner Fees are \$130 for BIA and Apartment Association of Michigan members, guests and nonmembers, \$55 for dinner only, \$200 for a hole sponsorship and \$250 for a hole sponsorship with dinner For registration information, call (248) 862-1033

■ Mid-Year Business Perspective 11 a m to 2 p m Thursday, June 15, on "Where

Are We Now That We're Halfway Through 2006?" at the Marriott-Pontiac at Centerpoint, 3600 Centerpoint Parkway in Pontiac David Sowerby, vice president and portfolio manager of Loomis Sayles & Co, will present the program, which will include what to expect in 2007 Fees, including lunch, are \$40 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members and \$60 for guests and nonmembers To register, call (248) 862-1033

BIA's Remodelors Council is sponsoring a Certified Graduate Remodelor seminar, "Customer Service," 8 a m to 3 p m Thursday, June 15, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills Chuck Breidenstein of Builders Professional Services Group Inc will present the program, which will include insight into customer expectations and behaviors and techniques for working with customers Fees are \$140 for Remodelors

Council members, \$160 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members and guests To register, call (248) 862-1033

A Certified Graduate Builder seminar, "Energy Efficient Construction," 8 a.m to 3 p m Friday, June 9, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills Chuck Breidenstein of Builders Professional Services Group will identify the principles of energy transfer and heat flow, energy and flow measurement and energy consumption Fees. including breakfast, lunch and course materials, are \$140 for **Remodelors Council members** and \$160 for BLA members and guests To register, call (248) 862-1033

■ BIA's Sales & Marketing Council is sponsoring a seminar, "Closing Mastery with Roland Nairnsey, CSP, of New Home Specialists," 8 30-10 30 a.m Wednesday, June 14, at Laurel Manor in Livonia Fees are \$59 for SMC members,

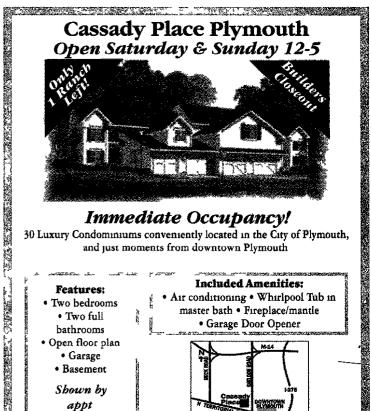
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\$79 for BIA members To reg-1ster, call (248) 862-1033

■ Field Superintendent Designation Course 8 a m to noon Thursday, June 1, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills The course, "Hiring, Training and Supervision," will examine common mistakes made in the interview process Fees, including breakfast, lunch and course materials, are \$145 per person To register, call (248) 862-1033

■ Lien law seminar 8 a m to 12 30 p m Tuesday, June 13, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills Attorney Marty Burnstein will address creating a valid hen, protecting against liens and protecting your rights to payment with a construction hen Fees are \$75 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members, \$100 for nonmembers and guests To register, call (248) 862-1017





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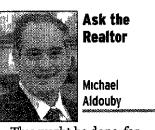
What are some different methods to hold title to a house or condo?

There are several different methods to have title for a home They have different ramifications and you need to pick the one that is best for your situation

Some of these are

■ Sole ownership also known as ownership in severalty This method would be ideal if you are single and you want the title to be in your name alone

Usually if a married person takes title in sole ownership, the spouse is often asked to sign a quitclaim deed giving up any ownership interest in the real property



This might be done, for example, when a husband invests in properties but his wife is not involved with the realty investments

A disadvantage is that when the holder of the title dies, the property is put in the hands of the probate court and that can lead to hurdles in getting the property transferred to the spouse Joint tenancy with right of survivorship In this case, all co-owners gain title at the same time, they each own equal shares and surviving coowners can end up having title to the entire property

to the entire property After a joint tenant passes away, the other joint tenants gain the title interest of the joint tenant who died

An advantage is that probate costs and delays are avoided However, a disadvantage is that a joint tenant can give his/her property to a new owner without permission of the co-owners

Another disadvantage is that except for tenancy by the entireties, a joint tenant can sell or give his property interest to a new owner without permission of the other joint tenant(s)

Tenants in common This could occur when two or more co-owners gain title to real property, especially when they are not married This may be good for two or more real estate investors

In this case each owner owns a specified interest in the property It doesn't have to be equal For example, one owner may own 60 percent and another 40 percent The specific interest is stated in the deed

This allows each owner more flexibility in deciding what to

do with his/her interest Owners can transfer the interest to whomever he/she wants

Some owners like this method for second marriages, where they can will their interest to children from the first marriage

■ Revocable living trust This is often the best way to hold title In this case you could avoid probate costs and delays

This is probably the best way to hold title to homes There are many advantages, such as avoidance of probate costs and delays

Other advantages are that the terms of the living trust remain private Also, court There are several different methods to have title for a home. They have different ramifications and you need to pick the one that is best for your situation.

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Hopkins has comfort, practicality, beauty

The Hopkins 3 (404-30) is an extraordinary floor design that will provide the discerning family with all the necessities and amenities it desires Spread over three levels, the Hopkins III affords over 4,000 square feet of modern architectural convenience

The unique layout begins with the basement level A three car garage is available to house all the family vehicles and a big recreation room is a spot designed for lots of activity The 204 square foot shop, with separate entrance is big enough for any project

A full bathroom services this level and a custom elevator stands ready for a comfortable ride to the upper floors The main floor is an excep-

tional example of the wise use of space combined for comfort, practicality and beauty Here you can entertain with confidence in large, open rooms with plenty of windows for enjoying the view and ushering in the light

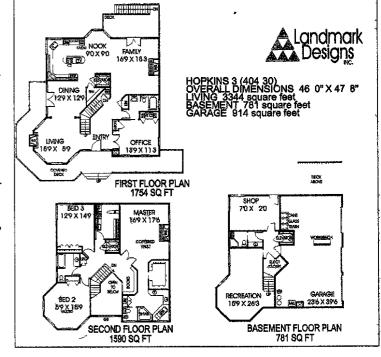
A wrap-around porch, with waist high railing, frames the front of the handsome home Your guests will admire the generous vaulted entry as you show them into the adjoining octagonal living room

The dining room is placed between the kitchen and living room The spacious U-shaped kitchen features an island cook top, double ovens, appliance garage, walk-in pantry and a cozy breakfast nook.

A big family room is situated nearby and opens onto a deck where a sunny day can be fully appreciated A good-sized home office, with plenty of storage, is at the front of the house

The upper level of the Hopkins III contains the elegant sleeping quarters The huge master suite features a coffered vault above the bed area, a fireplace and a walk-in closet The master suite also boasts a private bathroom with linen storage, twin basins, spa tub and an oversized shower Bedroom two is octagonal in shape, with a vaulted ceiling A full bathroom serves as a buffer between the bedrooms Completing the top level, near the elevator, is a conven ient utility room with built-in ironing board and table for folding clothes

For a study plan of the HOP-KINS III (404 30), send \$15 to Landmark Designs, 33127 Saginaw Rd E, Cottage Grove, OR 97424 or call (800) 562-1151 Be sure to specify plan name and number Compact disks, with search functions are free of charge, to help you search (\$5 shipping and han dling will apply) Or you may order or search online at www ldiplans com









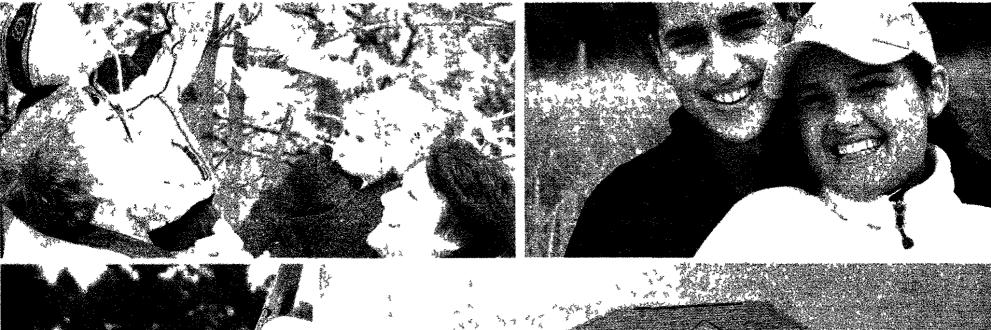


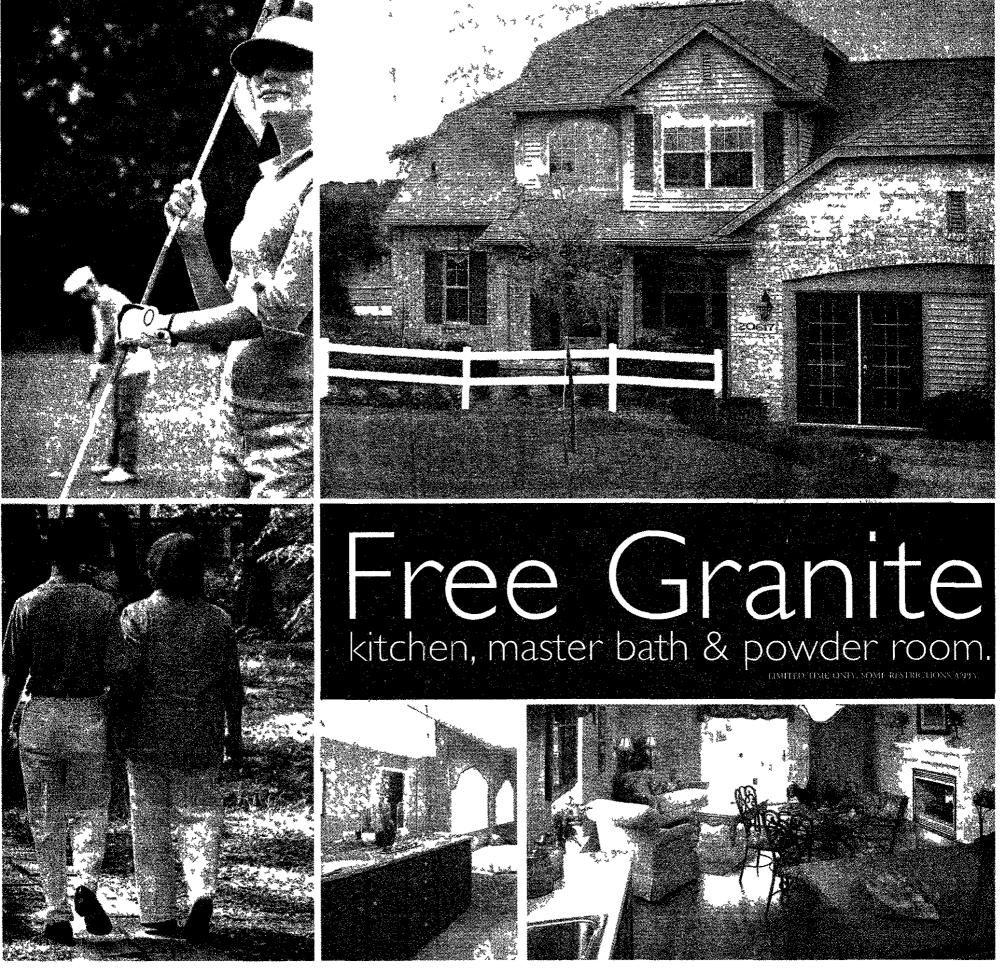
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