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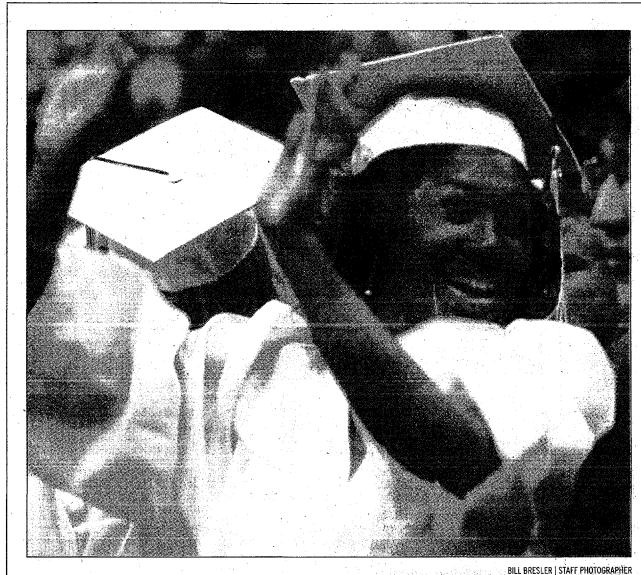
BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

If a pilot program by E.G. Nicks goes well this summer, the outdoor dining experience could become more widespread in downtown Plymouth.

However, the persistent problem of a lack of parking spaces during peak times could be a determining factor whether the downtown landscape will see an expansion of an outdoor eating experience.

City commissioners Monday gave approval to E.G. Nicks owner Frank Agostini to use four parking spaces in front of his establishment on Forest Avenue to use as an extension of the eight-foot sidewalk for outdoor dining.

The city ordinance



All smiles

Keiyana Arnold was in a mood to celebrate as the Salem High School graduation ceremony began June 11 at Eastern Michigan University. Arnold joined more than 400 classmates for the commencement exercises. For the complete list of graduates and more photos, please turn to Page A8.

District adds arts coordinator

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BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton Schools is about to get a longawaited Fine and Performing Arts coordinator to integrate the K-12 arts curriculum in the district.

Officials have offered the position to one of more than 75 candidates who applied. Superintendent Jim Ryan said if the candidate accepts the position, he will seek the board's approval at Tuesday's meeting. He said the job is expected to pay approximately \$85,000 annually, with total compensation - including benefits - to total more than \$122,000.

"I think this is going to be a great thing for the kids in the district," said school board Vice President Judy Mardigian. "Right now, we offer an art curriculum at every grade level, but we don't have anyone who implements the curriculum. There's also no focal point to coordinate purchases, seek grants and expand the programs.

"I think this position will be especially key as we have to implement the new high school graduation requirements, which include one year of the arts," she said.

While the K-12 Arts Task Force recommended to the Board of Education last June it hire a coordinator to develop and implement a district-wide arts program, the position has actually been in the works the past 20 years.

That's when we started with the other coordina

allows for outdoor dining however, there must be a five-foot sidewalk clearance for pedestrians to use. In Agostini's case, his outdoor seating would only be allowed to use three feet of sidewalk without the variance given by the commission, which he said is enough room for only three tables. When final plans are completed, Agostini said he plans to serve lunch and dinner outside his Forest Street entrance through October.

'We'll put a fence around it, decorate it with planter boxes, have white tablecloths and put up lights to give some allure at night," Agostini said. "It will give it a little romance."

Agostini said he's hopeful the outdoor eating atmosphere will help transform Forest into a destination location. We know it works

PLEASE SEE ALFRESCO, A4

One last get-together Friends go out with group graduation party

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

They'd done everything else together nearly all their lives - baseball, volleyball, neighborhood parties, school — so it seemed only natural for seven Pickwick Village teenagers to celebrate their graduation together.

And that's exactly what happened Saturday as the kids — Salem graduates John Donaldson and Billy Leddy and Canton grads Kyle Kowalski, Jimmy Richards, Tiffany Richards and Joey Zugaj - and their families got together for a party at least seven years in the making.

"All of the parents have been talking about it for years," said Cathy Donaldson, mom to John, who was off this week for a visit to Florida State University. "With that many kids graduating, we didn't know how we'd do all those graduation parties. We thought it would be nice to have them go out together."

This group of Canton families, most of whom have

lived in Pickwick Village for well more than a decade, decided it might be easier to do the group party instead of trying to schedule individual events around each other's schedule, which could take all summer.

So the parents put their heads together, planning the food (chicken, mostaciolli, meatballs, salad, rolls, and two cakes) and entertainment (games, a DJ and "Leddy Vision" movie night).

'We didn't want to waste the whole summer, so we started having meetings monthly," said Peggy Leddy, mother of Billy, bound for Michigan State. "It all just kind of came together."

Leddy hosts "Leddy Vision" often, showing movies on the side of her white-siding home. The group hosts an annual picnic (scheduled for this weekend).

"We have a very close-knit neighborhood," Cathy Donaldson said. "We're all friends, we watch out for each other's kids. We do lots of stuff together."

PLEASE SEE FRIENDS, A4

League, Observer to host candidate forum

Voters eager to get a look at the crowded field in the race to replace term-limited state Rep. John Stewart, R-Plymouth Township, in the state House's 20th District get their chance July 13.

That's when the League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County, along with the Observer Newspapers, sponsors a two-part candidates' forum at Plymouth City Hall.

All eight candidates have been invited to participate. The five Republican challengers - Beth Stewart, Mark Abbo, Don Schnettler, Jason Vorva and T. Cortez Spann, Jr. – will face off at 7 p.m. in the Republican forum.

The forum for the three Democrats - Joanne Lamar, Joe Hawver and Marc Corriveau --starts shortly after 8 p.m. The event will be taped for

broadcast on local-access television several times before the Aug. 8 primary. Candidates will be allowed a one-minute opening statement, one-minute responses to questions and a two-minute summation. The event will be moderated by a League of Women Voters member, who will read questions submitted by audience members.

The League of Women Voters is

a nonpartisan, political organization whose purpose is to promote political responsibility through informed participation in government. The League does not endorse or oppose candidates or parties, but works to distribute information to the public on candidates and their views.

Plymouth City Hall is located at 201 S. Main (at Church) in downtown Plymouth.

tors in the district for math, social studies, language arts and science," said Barbara Rodenberg, assistant superintendent for instruction, who was the district's first science coordinator. "At that time, we taught half a day and were the curriculum coordinator the other half."

Currently, there are two other K-12 curriculum coordinators. Penny Joy is in charge of language arts and social studies, while Janet Kahan oversees science and math.

"The task force looked at the needs of the district for the arts, and No. 1 is someone to coordinate our K-12 program," Rodenberg said. "The arts task force studied other districts, and we found we didn't measure up.'

The hiring will mean Karen Palgut, who has been helping teachers coordinate arts programs, but not developing curriculum, will be out of a job unless she is offered another position.

Plymouth-Canton Schools generally scores wellabove state standards on the standardized MEAP tests. However, Rodenberg said an arts coordinator could help improve those scores.

"We know enhancing the arts program is a way to improve student achievement," Rodenberg said. "Research shows students in arts programs do better on standardized tests in math, reading and writing."

The hiring of an administrator comes as the district has cut millions of dollars from the budget the past several years, and reduced the annual pay of the three high school athletic directors by approximately \$7,000 each.

Plymouth-Canton Education Association President Chuck Portelli said "I don't know why" the district is hiring an arts coordinator.

According to Portelli, if the board approves \$2 million in cuts on Tuesday, "\$1.7 million has some connection to teachers, whether it be an increase in split classes, which reduces the number of teachers, or not replacing retired teachers. It makes me wonder why we are adding an administrator when we are cutting teachers."

Mardigian said despite the district's poor financial outlook the arts programs need a coordinator.

We have as many students taking arts as those in athletics, in a curriculum area that has not had any administrative assistance," Mardigian said. "I'm pretty confident you'll see some grant writing. There are lots of monies out there for the arts, which will help offset the cost of having this position in place."



PLYMOUTH PIPELINE

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Dietitian returns

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The Plymouth District Library welcomes back registered dietitian Deborah Silverman to present "Wandering the Web for the Health of Your Children," 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 27.

Silverman will be joined by her colleague, Monica Lowe, R.D. They will provide tips on how to encourage children to eat healthy foods and motivate them to be physically active.

Free tickets to this program may be obtained at the Reader's Advisory Desk, (734) 453-0750, Ext. 4.

Media arts

The summer term at the **Plymouth Media Arts Center** begins in July and features offerings for students ages 14-18 years who are interested in gaining skills in the areas of screenwriting, film editing and image manipulation.

All of the classes offered create a complimentary curriculum and are designed to ensure that students gain the necessary skills to produce and interpret media. All instructors are highly skilled and accomplished in their area of expertise.

The Plymouth Media Arts Center is a program of the Plymouth Community Arts Council. Started in the fall of 2005, the PMAC offers a variety of media arts courses focusing on screenwriting, film editing and image manipulation. The computer lab used consists of a number of iMac machines complete with Photoshop and Final Cut Pro.

The Plymouth Community Arts Council is a not for profit organization and is located at 774 North Sheldon in Plymouth. For more information visit the Web site at

Dan and Carol Hiltz

(734) 416-4278. Museum exhibit

The Plymouth Historical Museum reopened Wednesday with a new exhibit entitled 'Creative Hands.'

The exhibit features the handiwork of both men and women dating back to the early1800s in Plymouth or with ties to the Plymouth area. Many built businesses out of their handiwork with men dominating but several women had successful businesses as

Museum hours are 1-4 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. Admission is \$2 for students, \$5 for adults and \$10 for families.

For more information, call (734) 455-8940.

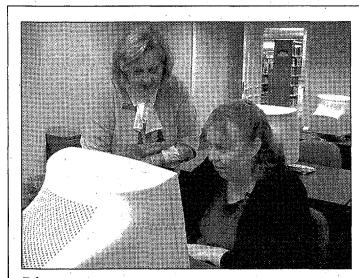
Garden walk

The 11th annual "Flowers are Forever" garden walk takes place noon-8 p.m. Tuesday, June 27, rain or shine.

Tickets are \$7 pre-sale and \$8 on the day of the walk. The Trailwood Garden Club. a branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association, is the sponsor. Tickets are available from Garden Club members as well as Backvard Birds and Saxton's Garden Center, both in Plymouth.

The gardens have a variety of water features as well as many ideas that you can adapt to your own garden. There will be 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,



Blog answers

Library staff members Kathy Petlewski and Carol Champagne discuss the program format for a June 28 program that will answer the question, "Blogs, Podcasts, Wikis and RSS - What are you talking about?" Petlewski, the library's Electronic Resources librarian, will discuss the latest

technologies and explain what blogs, podcasts, wikis and RSS really are. Most importantly, library officials say, she'll do it 'in a way that non-geeks can understand.' The program takes place at the Plymouth District Library at 7 p.m. Register at the Reader's Advisory Desk at (734) 453-0750, Ext. 4.

Plymouth Historical Museum. Michigan 4-H, Detroit Agricultural Network and other related activities. For additional information, contact Jeanne Hutko at (734) 459-5285.

Costanza outing

The third annual Jerry Costanza Golf Outing to perpetuate the Culinary Scholarship Fund takes place June 26 at Meadowbrook Country Club in Northville.

The fund was created in Costanza's memory by his family and friends to honor Costanza's love and dedication to the culinary industry. Contributions to the fund are managed by the Schoolcraft College Foundation, which will grant scholarships annually to students attending the Schoolcraft College Culinary Arts program.

The outing starts with registration at 10:30 a.m., lunch at 11 and tee time at 12:30 p.m. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$250 for individual golfers (\$75 for dinner-only tickets) or \$1,000 for a foursome. Prizes include a hole-in-one car, airline voucher, dinner for four at the American Harvest, golf packages, dinner for four at La Bistecca and cash prizes. For more information, call

(7340 254-0400.

Lincoln roundtable

Famed historian and author Frank O'Reilly is the scheduled guest speaker when the Abraham Lincoln Civil War Round Table gets together 8 p.m. Thursday, June 22 at the Plymouth Historical Museum. O'Reilly is the author of The

Fredericksburg Campaign: Winter War on the Rappahannock, hailed as the definitive study on the Battle of Fredericksburg. In addition, he has served for several years as staff historian at the

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Fredericksburg/Spotsvylania National Miliary Park. O'Reilly is renowned as speaker, guide and authority on just about any Civil War subject.

The Plymouth Historical Museum at is located at 155 S. Main (at Church) in downtown Plymouth. The public is invited, admission is free. For more information call (734) 459-7324.

Crafters wanted

Crafters needed for Delta Kappa Gamma's 20th annual juried show Saturday, Oct. 21 at West Middle School in Plymouth.

The show will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; West Middle School is located at 44401 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Call Clara, (734) 254-0849

or e-mail to sweisz59@comcast.net for more information. The Plymouth Fall

Festival is accepting applications for its Craft Show that takes place during the Fall Festival Sept. 9-10. This year the craft show will be moving to the lawn of the historic . Wilcox House located at Ann Arbor Trail and Union Street. Ten-by-ten foot spots will cost \$75 per day or \$150 for the weekend.

Applications are available to download at www.plymouthfallfestival.com or for more info call Colleen Brown at (734) 455-1614.

Chamber events

The Plymouth Community **Chamber of Commerce hosts** the following upcoming events:

■ Leadership Plymouth — A chance to for people from around the community to learn more about Plymouth, its government and its civic structure in a networking, teambuilding atmosphere.

The chamber is accepting applicants for its next class. which begins with a retreat in October and continues with monthly meetings through April. Cost is \$750 per person.

Shred day, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 24 - The event, open to the public, is designed to allow residents and businesses to get their documents shredded by the shred truck in the parking lot at New Liberty Bank, 1333 W. Ann Arbor Road, three blocks east of Sheldon. The event is sponsored by UBS Financial,

Gem Financial and Maximum Financial, each located on Main in Plymouth.

Golf outing, 12:30 p.m. Monday, July 10 - Sponsored by major sponsor Victory Honda, the event is one of the chamber's largest fund-raisers. Cost is \$300 per golfer or \$1,000 for a VIP foursome (cost includes golf cart, lunch, refreshments on the course, dinner, cocktails and a tee sign).

For more information on any of these programs, call (734) 453-1540.

Women's expo

Participants can learn new, fun ways to stay fit and healthy at a women's expo event noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 8, at Jazzercise Fitness Center of Plymouth, 250 N. Main in Plymouth.

Students will meet Donna Gambino, author of On a Roll @ Home, Home Exercises for Core Strength and Massage on the Foam Roller, learn new fitness techniques and enter to win health prizes, get health and fitness information from local, women-owned business vendors, tour the Jazzercise Fitness Center and enjoy fitness demonstrations, enter the chance to win great prizes in multiple drawings for health and beauty items and experience body fat testing, blood pressure screenings, and other activities.

Gambino is a licensed physical therapist, Pilates instructor, author, and owner of Infinity Health, LLC. Gambino will be signing her new book, On a Roll @ Home, Home Exercises for Core Strength and Massage on the Foam Roller at the event while her students offer demonstrations on the newest, most intriguing tool in core strengthening.

Admission and parking are free.

PCAC exhibits

The Plymouth Community Arts Council presents "Work of the Hand – Clay and Fiber," a collaborative exhibit featuring Carolyn Dulin, clay artist and the Cross Borders Weavers Guild, through July 7.

Hours for the exhibit are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays. Call the PCAC at (734) 416-4278 for additional viewing times. The PCAC is located at 774 N. Sheldon in Plymouth.

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Parade, games, entertainment highlight annual Liberty Festival

BY JULIE BROWN STAFF WRITER

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Karen Kruszka of Canton was glad to meet her friends and neighbors at this year's Liberty Fest in Heritage Park.

"I think it's fantastic. It's a wonderful thing for the whole family, young and old," said Kruszka, president-elect of the Canton Newcomers. "We were here last year. It's a great way for people to get to know us."

The Newcomers were in Saturday's Liberty Fest parade, in addition to having a booth at Heritage Park. "It was hot, but it was a lot of fun. The kids had a blast," Kruszka said of the parade, in which children decorated their bicycles. The Newcomers had a Liberty Fest special price to join, and distributed newsletters.

She was looking forward to an Orchestra Canton violinist



Artist Kristen Dillenbeck paints a mural that includes Claire Harold, a human canvas, during Liberty Fest last weekend.

added.

your word out about your

organization and just to meet

the people in your area," she

David Loveland, treasurer of

the Exchange Club of Canton

dogs and other food.

and also district director. They were selling chili dogs, beef hot

We buy the best hot dogs

we can find," Loveland said.

He found business slow, and

cited competing food vendors.

"By the time they get in here

in 1911 in Detroit, has a number of service efforts. It focuses on child abuse prevention, and also started freedom shrines

The Exchange Club, founded

"We provide college scholarships," Loveland said, adding \$2,800 was supplied by the Canton club this year. They were second in line for Saturday's parade.

The club members appreciated nearby artist Cathy Davis

Tyler Bidolli, 4, of Plymouth has a high five for a big fowl on opening day of Canton's Lberty Fest. Ryan

Chovich, a sweltering 13-year-old, is

for us, they're already full.'

for area secondary schools. Those include such documents as the U.S. Constitution and

Bill of Rights.

wearing the suit.

Nearby was Canton resident

at noon Sunday. The Newcomers, online at www.cantonnewcomers.org, were at Liberty Fest "to get



of Trenton, who donated \$100 to the club. Davis was pleased with interest in artwork, but also concerned about Sunday's clouds.

Canton Township Clerk Terry Bennett was wearing her Canton Lions shirt Sunday. She was pleased with Sunday morning's club pancake breakfast.

"It went fabulously," Bennett said. "The food was excellent. That's a Sunday morning tradition. Great value for your money, all you can eat." •

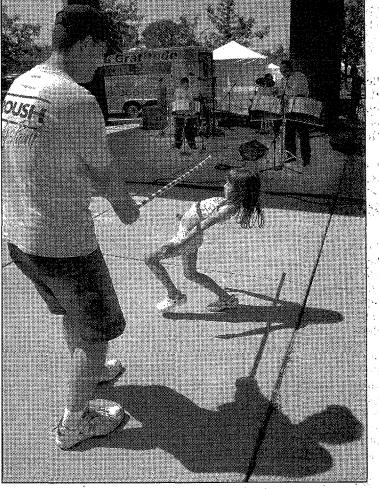
Bennett, also chair of the Historic District Commission, urged visitors to check the Canton Historical Society booth.

Plymouth Township's Jerry Trumpka was also manning a booth Sunday. He's operation associate for the Plymouth Community United Way.

"We're doing the child ID kids," Trumpka said. "We've got volunteers coming out to work with us today. As long as it (rain) holds off, I'll be happy."

He and others also provided United Way information and sought volunteers. Plans are to have a similar booth at the Plymouth Fall Festival in early September, Trumpka added.

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Todd Stoney and daughter Kayleigh, 5, limbo to the sounds of the Gratitude Steel Band.



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But this party was different because it was the kids who had played together their whole lives. It was also, potentially, the end of an era for kids who play volleyball twice a week and battle in paintball every year.

"I think this is really special," said 17-year-old Jimmy Richards, who plans to attend Schoolcraft College in Livonia. "It's pretty much going to be the last time we get together before everyone goes off to college."

Not everyone is actually going off to college – Joe Zugaj will join Jimmy Richards at Schoolcraft, Tiffany Richards is headed to Western Michigan, and Kyle Kowalski will attend Central Michigan. For 18-yearold Billy Leddy, who's lived in the neighborhood since he was 1, it's simple.

"I love this idea," he said of the group party. "I love all these guys

And that's not the best part,

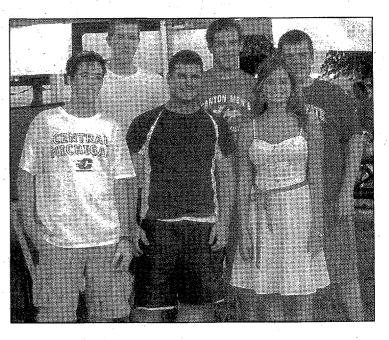
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around Kellogg Park, but can we expand it out," Agostini said. "If we don't find ways to create activity and bring people downtown to experience the charm and have a good time down here, then we'll start dropping like dominos, and have bigger problems.

"It's a beautiful city, but we also compete with business on Haggerty Road and other spots," he said. "We have to give people a reason to want to come down and experience the charm."

Agostini said he needs the space to compete with other restaurants that have outdoor seating, such as Compari's on the Park and Fiama Grill on Main Street, across from Kellogg Park.

"Customers come and drink at my bar while they wait for a table at Compari's because they really want to eat outside," said



Lifelong friends Kyle Kowalski, Billy Leddy, Jimmy Richards, Joe Zugaj, Tiffany Richards and John Donaldson celebrated graduation the way they've always done everything else: Together.

according to Cathy Donaldson. "All these kids grew up together, they've gotten good grades, they've never been in trouble,"

commissioners, who unani-

mously approved the pilot pro-

"The strain on parking on

Workman. "The pilot program will help us gather information

when we look at our outdoor

cafe policy and using public

"We're revitalizing areas that

ambiance, people outside din-

ing attracts people," he said. "If

we can do these kinds of things

and still manage traffic and

parking, I think it's going to

enhance downtown, and not

While Agostini will be using

four public parking spaces on

Forest, he allows private parking behind his restaurant off

right-of-way in the street.

could use this kind of

burden and stress it."

Forest is certainly an issue,"

said Commissioner Dave

Agostini.

gram.

she said. "That's the best part of this story."

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Harvey Street to be used as public parking, thereby con-For years, downtown business owners have complained tributing 65 spaces for downabout not enough parking durtown customers. ing peak hours, and that gave "It may be a cool thing to some cause for concern to

have restaurants with outdoor seating on Forest Street," **Commissioner Ron Loiselle** said. "There's plenty of parking, but it would require training people that there is parking behind the businesses on Forest Avenue."

Mayor Dan Dwyer said he's not in favor of giving up parking spaces for outdoor restaurant seating.

"We know, next year, there will be a bunch of them if it works," Dwyer said. "You could literally have Forest Street and have cafes every 50-60 feet. I don't support it, not just for E.G. Nicks, but for any restaurant."

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Central students are ready to make a difference

the seventh-graders at Central Middle School a welcoming note of encouragement last week when he came to Central to present Rachel Ferree, a Student Ambassador delegate for People to People, a

Michigan Flag and a U.S. Flag. Ferree will present the flags to a member of the British Parliament when the Wayne County middle school delegation visits London this summer. Stewart rallied the audience by stressing that "if we give to the world and make it a better place, we allow people in the world to give back to us."

Ferree was happy to accept the flags.

"It is an honor to accept these flags for the delegation," Ferree said. "We can connect Michigan, our home, with British Parliament in this way.

"I am grateful for leaders in

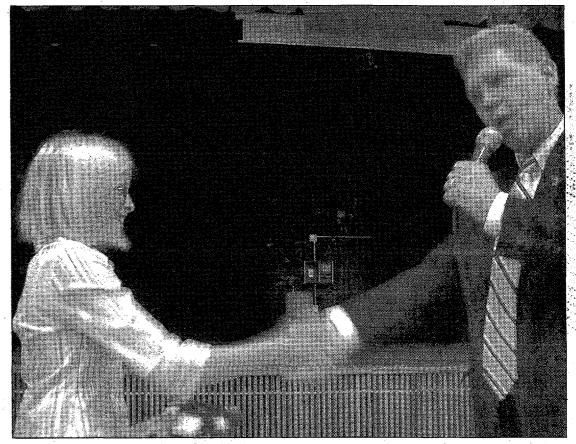
State Rep. John Stewart gave our community who take time out of their busy schedules to enable students to feel important about their decisions and potential in the future," she added. "Representative Stewart saw an opportunity to make a presentation in front of a school student body."

Central Principal Joyce Johnson arranged schedules and "has been so supportive of Rachel's student ambassadorship opportunity," said Rachel's mother, Sally Ferree.

"The seventh-graders learned about leadership and the importance of making an impact on their community and the world," Sally Ferree said. "We are fortunate to live in Plymouth, such a caring community.

People to People was founded by President Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1956 to promote world peace through cultural understanding on a person-to-person level. This year, the delegations from around the U.S. are representing 50 years of People to People. The Wayne County delegation of 37 students will be visiting six European countries in 20 days during July, including Switzerland, Germany, Netherlands, Belgium, France and Britain.

Student delegates were nominated by a teacher for leadership abilities. The nominated students secured three additional letters of recommendation and were interviewed. The selected delegates have been meeting monthly since November to prepare for their trip. They have studied cultures and have prepared presentations on some of the places they will be visiting.



State Rep. John Stewart, R-Plymouth Township, presented flags of the U.S. and Michigan to Rachel Ferree, who accepted the flags on behalf of the People to People student ambassador program of Wayne County Middle School students. The flags will be presented to a British Parliamentarian during the delegation's 20-day trip to Europe this summer.

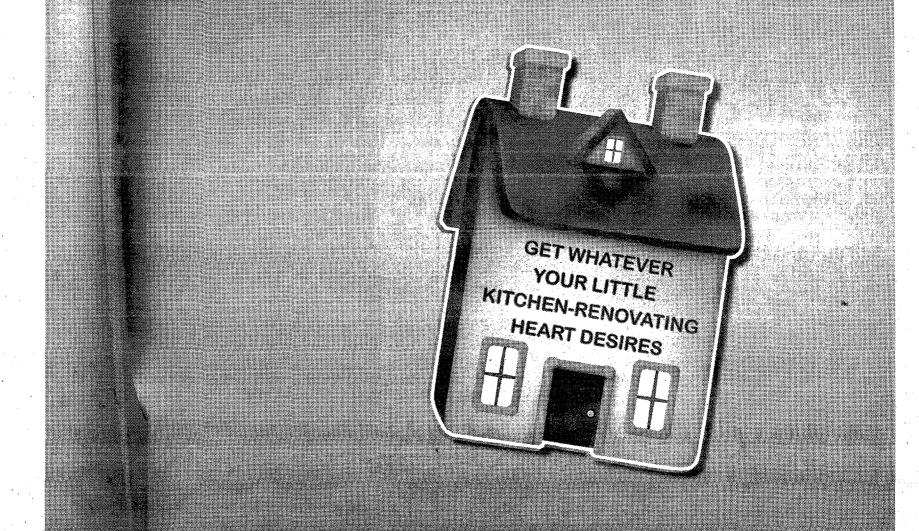
NEWS BRIEFS City police honored for safety program

The City of Plymouth Police Department was recently recognized for its effort in promoting firearms safety education by distributing free safety materials and voluntary gun-locking devices.

The program is a partnership with the Project Child Safe **Program of the National** Shooting Sports Foundation, Inc., and the U.S. Department of Justice

Free gun lock devices are still currently available from the police desk inside City Hall during normal business hours.

According to information provided by the NSSF, firearms-related accidents have declined sharply even as gun ownership in the country is rising. More than half of all households now own firearms. according to the NSSF, yet accidental fatalities are at an alltime low, down 60 percent over



the last 20 years. Silver medalist

Charlene Helen Berry won a silver medal as a semifinalist at Connection 2006, a Christian music conference in Kansas City, Kan., for her solo hammer dulcimer music in the International category.

Berry was one of 134 contenders, selected from more than 1,000 applicants to participate in the competition, and one of the 24 semifinalists selected in eight categories.



"My prayer, before attending the conference, was that my music would bless everyone there. and feel gratitude for each of the very many

people who thanked me for my music,' Berry said.

As well as being a solo performer with award-winning recordings, Berry performs with Diane Marie and Lawrence Leach in the band, In God's Image.

Bank promotions

Officials at New Liberty Bank announced the following staff promotions:

Rebecca Stephens to senior vice president and chief financial officer, from chief financial officer

Michelle Burger to vice president and business banking manager, from assistant vice president and commercial loan officer.

Kristina Mayer to vice president and branch officer, from assistant vice president and branch officer.

Nancy Foutch to vice president, human resource and information security officer, from assistant vice president, human resource and information security officer.

Trina VanNest to assistant vice president, chief credit and compliance officer, from credit manager.

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Michigan State grad

Lindsey Birchmeier received a degree in Zoology from Michigan State University. Lindsey, who plans to attend veterinary school in the fall, is currently working at the North Carolina Zoo on an internship. A graduate of Mercy High School, Lindsey is the daughter of John and Marly Birchmeier of Plymouth.

Albion College

Several local students have been named to the Albion College Dean's List for the spring 2006 semester. Students named to the Dean's List must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or above at the completion of the semester. This GPA must be based on at least three units in graded courses and a minimum of four units completed.

Matthew Baciak is a firstyear student at Albion College and is a member of the Gerald R. Ford Institute for Public

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Policy and Service. He is the son of Jan and Ilona Baciak of Canton and a graduate of Canton High School.

Candace Bean was named an Albion College Fellow at the completion of the spring 2006 semester. The honor of Albion College Fellow is given to students who maintain a 3.7 or better GPA for three successive semesters. Bean is a sophomore majoring in German and theatre and minoring in Women's studies. She is the daughter of Michael Bean of Detroit and Cathy Crowley of Plymouth and a graduate of Canton High School.

William Fitzsimmons is a sophomore at Albion College. He is the son of Joseph Fitzsimmons, Jr. and Julie Fitzsimmons of Canton and a graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School.

Ryan Johnson is a junior majoring in economics and management and minoring in history. He is the son of

Carlton and Phyllis Johnson of Plymouth and a graduate of University of Detroit Jesuit High School.

Sarah Jose is a first-year student at Albion College and is a member of the Gerstacker Liberal Arts Program in Professional Management. She is the daughter of Richard and Deborah Jose of Canton and a graduate of Salem High School.

Carrie Oleszkowicz was named an Albion College Fellow at the completion of the spring 2006 semester. The honor of Albion College Fellow is given to students who maintain a 3.7 or better GPA for three successive semesters. Oleszkowicz is a junior majoring in chemistry and minoring in cell and molecular biology with a concentration in neuroscience. She is the daughter of Mark and Cynthia Oleszkowicz of Plymouth and a graduate of Canton High School. Aaron Schmidt graduated

earlier this month from Albion College, receiving a degree in physical education and minoring in history education and is completing the K-12 education program. He is the son of **Richard and Martha Schmidt** of Plymouth and a graduate of Canton High School.

Danielle Shepard was named an Albion College Fellow at the completion of the spring 2006 semester. The honor of Albion College Fellow is given to students who maintain a 3.7 or better GPA for three successive semesters. Shepard is a junior majoring in speech education and completing the elementary education program. She is the daughter of Chuck and Carol Shepard of Plymouth and a graduate of Canton High School.

Katherine Smith was named an Albion College Fellow at the completion of the spring 2006 semester. The honor of Albion College Fellow is given to students who maintain a 3.7 or

better GPA for three successive semesters. Smith graduated earlier this month from Albion College, receiving a degree in political science and speech communication. She is the daughter of Tonya Smith of Canton and a graduate of Salem High School.

Erica Stoney is a junior majoring in mathematics education and completing the elementary education program. She is the daughter of Matthew and Susan Stoney of Plymouth and a graduate of Canton High School.

Laura Burton holds an Albion College Webster Scholarship worth \$11,000. This fall, Burton will be a firstyear student majoring in economics and management. She is the daughter of Lewis and Karen Burton of Plymouth and a graduate of Salem High School.

Sara Fifield holds an Albion **College Trustee Scholarship** worth \$14,000. This fall,

Fifield will be a first-year student majoring in economics and management communications. She is the daughter of Debra Fifield of Plymouth and a graduate of Salem High School.

Ashley Hayes holds an Albion College Webster Scholarship worth \$11,000. This fall, Hayes will be a firstyear student majoring in economics and management. She is the daughter of Roy and Judy Hayes of Plymouth and a graduate of Salem High School.

Nicole Rotondo holds an **Albion College Presidential** Scholarship worth \$12,500. This fall, Rotondo will be a first-year student at Albion College. She is the daughter of Michael and Karen Rotondo of Plymouth and a graduate of Mercy High School.



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Corsi crowned

Angela Corsi is Miss Michigan

BY STACY JENKINS STAFF WRITER

Speaking from her cell phone, Angela Corsi was on the road Tuesday morning, traveling from west Michigan to downtown Farmington.

The whirlwind has begun for the newly-crowned Miss Michigan, hailing from Farmington Hills.

Corsi won the title Saturday at the Miss Michigan Scholarship Program in Muskegon. It was her fifth Miss Michigan pageant.

"I still feel numb," she said Tuesday. "I'm still in disbelief that this has finally happened. I'm just so happy I have one more year because this was my last year of eligibility."

She will represent Michigan at the 2007 Miss America pageant

"The (Miss America pro-

gram) has given me so much through the years," she said. "I'm so happy to be a part of this organization for another year as a contestant, and I'm happy to represent the state in the Miss America pageant."

Corsi, 24, is no stranger to the stage. She was crowned **Miss Farmington Oakland** County in 2000, the same year she graduated from Mercy High School. Her mother, Penny Corsi, said there was a specific reason she entered her first pageant.

"She needed scholarship money," Penny Corsi said. "And the Miss America program kept popping up, so she gave it a shot. No one was more stunned when she won Miss Farmington on her first try."

From there, Angela Corsi has entered what she calls a "sisterhood."

She was named Miss Great

Lakes in 2002 and was third runner-up in Miss Michigan; she was crowned Miss Great Lakes again in 2004 and was first runner-up in Miss Michigan; she was crowned Miss Spirit of the State in 2005 and was first runner-up in Miss Michigan; and she was crowned 2006 Miss Heart of Michigan this year as she entered Miss Michigan.

Joining her from Oakland County and finishing in the top 10 Saturday in Muskegon were longtime pageant "sisters" Leilani Thorn, of Waterford, and Lindsey Tycholiz, an Oakland University student from Sterling Heights.

"Oakland County did pretty well," said Corsi, who supports all local pageants, including the upcoming Miss Farmington Founders Festival. "I have another engagement, but my heart will definitely be there. I'll be on the phone, seeing how it's going."

And that's how many things will happen in the coming

"They're telling me that I'm booked through March," she said. "I'm going to have a very, very busy year."

But she seems to take it all in stride. After all, she is promoting a cause that is close to her heart - the Make-A-Wish Foundation of America.

While pursuing a bachelor of arts degree at Michigan State University, Corsi established a program called MSU Stars, which raises awareness and funding for the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

"Since then, it has branched out to six other campuses with organized chapters," said Corsi, noting the organization is now called America's Stars for the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Corsi plans to pursue a mas-

ter's degree in public relations from Michigan State University. She's a hard worker in all that she does, said her mother,

who is "ecstatic" that her daughter was crowned Miss



Angela Corsi of Farmington Hills was crowned Miss Michigan on Saturday.

Michigan.

"She's worked so very hard for this," she said. "It was just a lot of 'not giving up.' She's a determined young woman."

Angela's parents, Penny and Louie, own Corsi's Restaurant and Banquet Center on Seven Mile near Middlebelt in Livonia. Penny Corsi recalls her daughter working hard,

even from the young age of 12. "She would come in and fold

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napkins and keep me company," Penny Corsi said. "She's been helping out here ever since.

Angela chuckled that she made enough money at the restaurant to buy her first bicycle.

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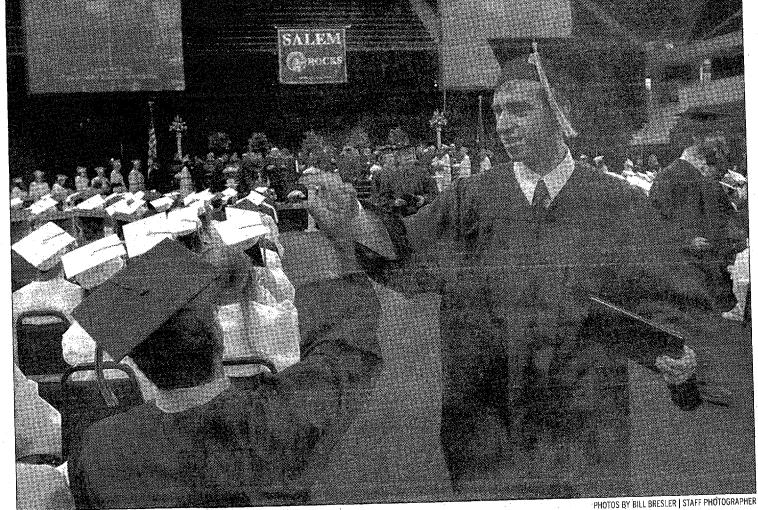
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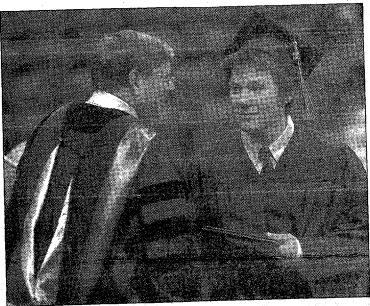
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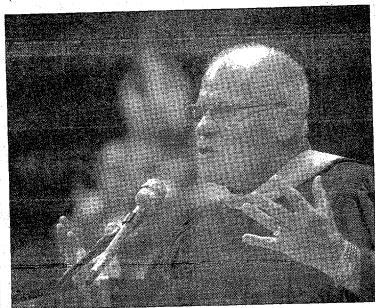
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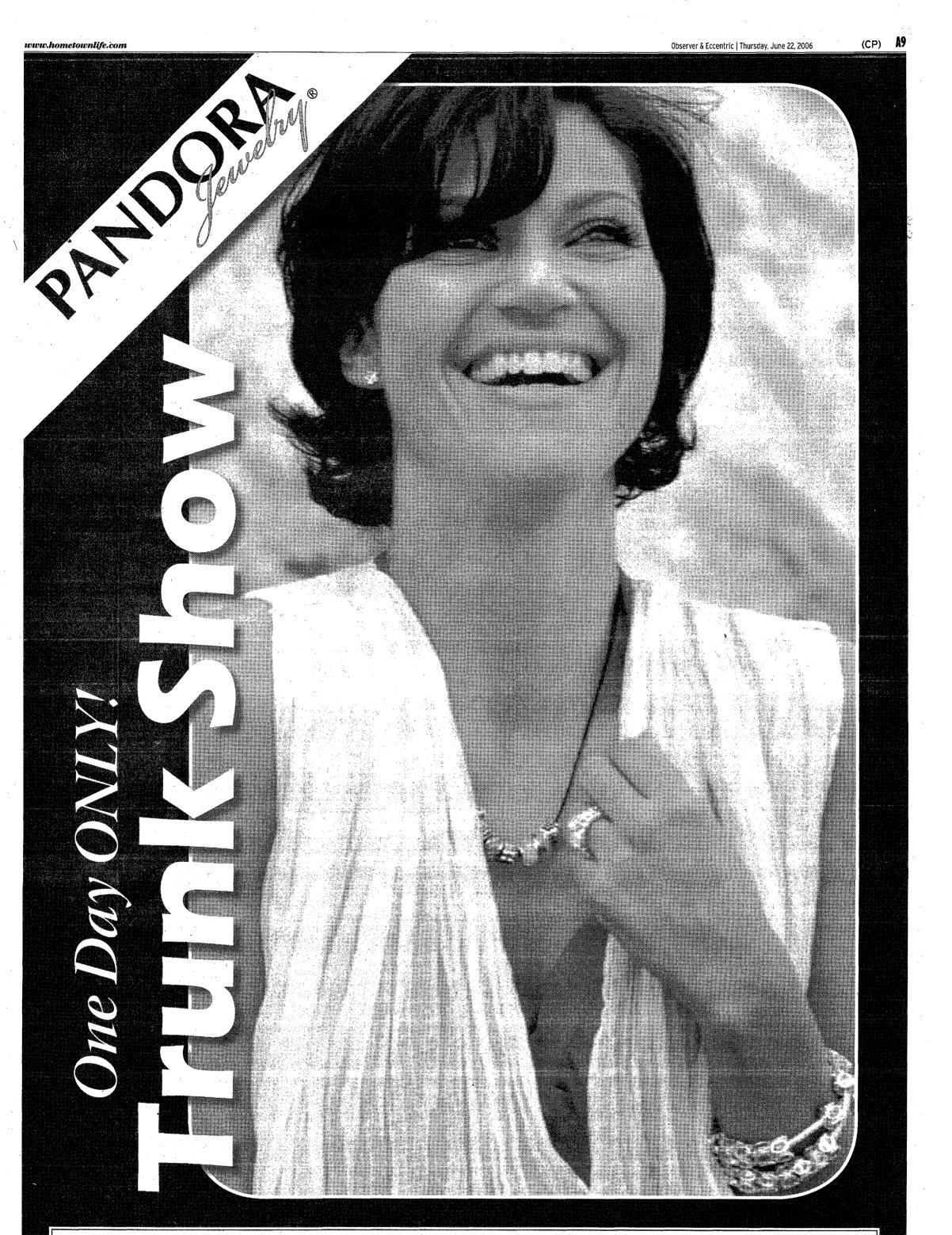
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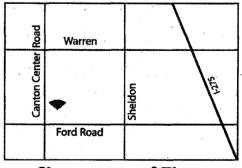
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Ryan's impact vast on schools

The old saying goes that when a football team is winning, the quarterback gets too much of the credit, and that when the team is losing, he gets too much of the blame.

While Dr. James Ryan had his annual evaluation Monday and, if history is any indicator, it should have been positive. In the wake of that, we hesitate to use the quarterback metaphor for Ryan, but it's true he's the face of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools and, as such, gets credit and blame for what's happened on his watch.

Ryan is not single-handedly responsible for the district's many successes, nor is he solely to blame for its failures. Overall, though, it's difficult to dispute the positive impact Ryan has had on the district since taking over after former Superintendent Kathleen Booher resigned.

Plymouth-Canton schools routinely perform well above the state average on MEAP tests, they just had two students win honors in the Reading Rainbow Young Authors and Illustrators competition and a host of seniors finished with grade-point averages at or above 4.0. The district also has a legendary marching band and its athletic teams are a force to contend with.

On the other hand, the district constantly wrestles with a strained budget. With the Board of Education looking over his shoulder, he's had to make some \$5 million in cuts the last several years. Yet every time the board says cut, he cuts without dramatically affecting the educational product.

There have been some failures: Not filing the deed restrictions to the Miller Woods property and the loss of the 2006 bond issues. Ryan bears some responsibility in the deed fiasco, but to blame him for the bond failure is disingenuous.

It wasn't Ryan who decided at the 11th hour to add the second question, which included a pool, a new auditorium and new and improved athletic facilities. The Northville district made a similar mistake and their bond failed, too.

As we said, Ryan doesn't get all the credit for the success. He's got a good team, and he's fostered an excellent relationship not only with his own staff, but with the teachers' union, as well, enabling the district to reach union agreements with little muss or fuss.

Most residents couldn't have picked Booher out of a police lineup; Ryan is a popular, well-known figure who obviously loves his district. He has said publicly he'd like to work another couple of years.

'Ryan's impact on the district's reputation has never been measured statistically, but we believe it's significant. We hope the board recognizes that and does what is necessary to allow him to be here until he's ready to retire on his own terms.



LETTERS

Protect opportunities

As we celebrated Father's Day this year, I reflected on my daughter's future.

I'm worried that the future will hold less opportunity for her should Michigan vote to support the misnamed "Michigan Civil Rights Initiative" on the November ballot. This constitutional amendment would ban common-sense programs that help girls and women have equal access to educational and employment programs in our state.

Today, for instance, middle and high schools around the state regularly hold special programs that allow students to meet women scientists and engineers important role models who can encourage girls to enter these highly paid fields that are vital to Michigan's economic future

We know what happened in California when a similar ballot proposal passed in 1996, eliminating affirmative action contracting and employment incentives for women. Apprenticeship programs that helped women enter good-paying construction jobs ended. A May 2005 report by the faculty at the University of California Davis shows that just two years after affirmative action was eliminated, new faculty hires who were women dropped by 39 percent. It wasn't that long ago that girls had few opportunities to participate in sports and athletic programs that help cultivate competitiveness and teambuilding that are vital in our world economy today. In fact, while Michigan has held a boys high school basketball tournament every year since 1917, the first girls' tournament was held in 1973 - thanks to affirmative action programs. If our constitution bans affirmative action programs for women, girls sports in Michigan will be left to rely on federal programs to ensure their survival. We have one of the largest gaps in the nation, here in Michigan, between pay earned by women and men for full-time, year-round work. One of the best ways to overcome that gap is to ensure opportunities for women to be able to break through the glass ceiling into top-level management jobs and non-traditional fields like science and engineering. We've come a long way in how we treat women in our state. We can't roll back that progress now. That's one reason why I'll vote against the anti-affirmative action ballot proposal this fall. I hope you will too, to protect opportunities for our daughters and granddaughters to come.

room.

One of the things I was impressed with, besides the obvious respect that was displayed by area residents waiting patiently for their turn to meet former Gov. Milliken, was the opportunity for Republicans, Democrats and Independents to come together, in one room, to honor and learn more about such an important Michigan political leader.

I agree with comments made by State Rep. Glenn Anderson regarding the importance of statesmanship in public service, a trait that former Gov. Milliken embodied, but is admittedly lacking in most political arenas today.

Though personally frustrated by this reality, I remain encouraged that better days are ahead. I am hopeful, amidst extremely challenging times facing all of our families, that citizens can take back control of their government and their futures by carefully electing representatives who will work on their behalf.

citizens not entitled to make a decision or sign a petition unless they receive approval from their "leaders" in BAMN, the MEA, UAW, ACLU or other leftwing organizations?

As noted by Gratz, the violently radical group By Any Means Necessary (BAMN) is behind most of the opposition. The very name of BAMN suggests some sort of terrorist organization using "any means necessary" which conceivably could include violence toward others with bullets, bombs, or physical assault if others don't agree with them. A founding member of BAMN has sent letters to people supporting MCRI, apparently in an attempt to intimidate them.

Gratz's opposition spokesman, Waymire, correctly points out in the article that both the Republican and Democrat candidates for governor have come out against MCRI. However, I have seen no evidence that Dick DeVos has ever spoken in favor of reparation payments for slavery while Jennifer Granholm was strongly in favor of such redistribution of the wealth during the 2002 gubernatorial campaign and has never repudiated that position subsequent to the 2002 campaign. There is also no evidence that DeVos would sic a state agency or commission on a group of citizens exercising their rights under the Michigan Constitution as Jennifer Granholm has done with the state Civil Rights Commission. The Michigan Civil Rights Initiative aim is to eliminate preferential treatment based on minority status in state hiring and in admissions to state supported institutions of higher learning. Citizens should not have their tax dollars used to benefit selected groups or institutions while they are locked out of public employment or schools because they do not have the right minority status. It is wrong regardless of who benefits. If the University of Michigan or other state-supported schools wish to continue to make special exceptions, they should cut themselves off from all state funding and go it alone as private institutions.

Cable bill must put customers first

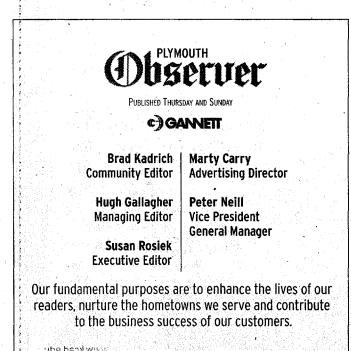
To promote competition and reduce regulation in order to secure lower prices and higher quality services for American telecommunications consumers and encourage the rapid deployment of new telecommunications technologies ..."

Such is the preamble of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, which was approved by Congress and signed by President Clinton.

Since then, we have seen the consolidation and monopolization of telecommunications companies, a reduction of service and ever-increasing cable TV rates - in short, just the opposite of what was promised. Is it any wonder we are skeptical of the Communications Opportunity, Promotion and Enhancement Act, which the Senate will no doubt pass shortly? This complex bill pits cable television giants such as Comcast against communication company behemoths such as AT&T. What is clear is that it will reduce local control, and that's its biggest problem.

As it is today, the cable companies barely care about the customers. Rate hikes are imposed even as the companies enjoy hefty profits. Opening up the cable industry to more providers is a good idea, if it does indeed reduce rates. But even that's iffy.

It isn't likely this bill could be stopped now, but there is still time to write to our senators (and representatives, too) reminding them that they will be held accountable for their actions at the ballot box. Congress has done a disgraceful job of protecting consumers from arbitrary cable TV rate hikes. It's time to start putting consumers ahead of the companies and making legislators who don't support the people pay the price.



Paul Hillegonds Plymouth

Milliken event impressive

Thank you for the articles written by Julie Brown and Brad Kadrich on former Gov. William Milliken's recent visit to Plymouth as part of a book tour. I, too, was in attendance at the event hosted by State Rep. John Stewart, as I know the author, Dave Dempsey, and wanted to congratulate him on another literary success. I thought both Observer & Eccentric writers did a good job of capturing the feelings of excitement in the

From my perspective, based on my level of involvement, both from a citizen-activist position, and now as an elected official, we need more people like Glenn Anderson in public office. Glenn should be proud that he too exhibits behavior conducive to good government, the kind he felt former Gov. Milliken set as an example.

I often stand back and observe how comfortable Glenn is with people when we are at public functions. Glenn is approachable and graciously listens to people's concerns. In Lansing, Glenn takes his job seriously, yet recognizes the importance of working with both political parties on behalf of the citizens. Term limits aren't always a good thing when a good person is forced to step down, but I'm thrilled with Glenn's decision to run as our next state senator from the 6th District and confident in his ability to do the job!

> **Chervl Graunstadt** Westland

Affirmative action wrong

Thank you for the article "Gratz defends affirmative action ban as civil rights measure" in the June 15 Plymouth Observer. Jennifer Gratz has done an honorable job of leading the efforts to promote fairness in state government and state-supported institutions via the Michigan Civil Rights Initiative and she should be commended.

I note, too, that the Observer gave considerable space to some of the opposition's point of view. The consultant David Waymire is quoted as having made several charges against MCRI. Waymire alleged excessive fraud in the collection of signatures, also that a disproportionate percentage of people who signed were minority or in Democrat areas.

He also alleged that MCRI's intent was to fool people. Apparently Waymire offered no substantiation, just allegations. Are citizens to believe that minorities and/or Democrats are monolithic in thought or incapable of thought as Waymire suggests in one of his allegations? Are minority and/or Democrat

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- Paula Gangopadhyay, New director of the Plymouth Community Arts Council

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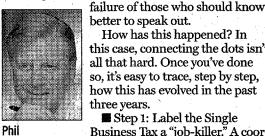
Political leaders guiding state into backward mess

s this column is being written, a radical, farreaching scheme that would utterly change the nature of our state is being mounted by powerful, secretive interest groups.

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The plan is brilliantly conceived, astonishingly audacious and so far breathtaking in its smooth execution. The goal is to make Michigan into a low-tax, low-service state modeled along the lines of Mississippi. And the plotters are well on their way to success.

Up to now, the plan has been hidden in plain sight - unexplained, unexamined and foisted upon a largely unknowing Michigan citizenry. Its amazing success so far has been hastened by the



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How has this happened? In this case, connecting the dots isn't all that hard. Once you've done so, it's easy to trace, step by step,

three years. Step 1: Label the Single Business Tax a "job-killer." A coordinated effort led by the

Michigan Chamber of Commerce and Republicans in the Legislature was launched in 2003 to define the SBT as a tax on employment. That makes the tax a convenient scapegoat for Michigan's job losses. If employers get financially punished for adding more workers, they indeed will try to make do with as few employees as possible.

In fact, the SBT was adopted in 1975, replacing seven clumsy businesses taxes. It was supposed to be easier to administer and provide a more stable revenue base than taxes on business profits.

But over the years, the SBT was amended repeatedly until it became complex, difficult to administer and eventually was a negative for businesses thinking of expanding in Michigan.

Step 2: Actually repeal the Single Business Tax. Gov. Jennifer Granholm last year proposed a series of amendments that would have eased the SBT burden, especially on manufacturers.

But interest groups howled far and wide, and her proposals got nowhere in the Republican-controlled Legislature, which fussed and fumed about how awful the SBT was. The Legislature then voted to kill the SBT outright; the bill was vetoed by the governor.

She had no choice but to veto it; the lawmakers provided no way to make up the \$1.9 billion it provides the state every year.

Next, Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson launched a petition drive to repeal the SBT just three months ago.

He raised more than \$800,000 to pay a private company to solicit petition signatures to put a measure on the November ballot that would repeal the SBT, effective Dec. 31, 2007.

To the surprise of some, Patterson submitted

372,604 signatures in late May, easily topping the number required. But because the proposal is now certified for the ballot, the Legislature can now veto the SBT again, and the governor will be powerless to veto it. Look for that to happen later this year.

■ Step 3: Beat the drums for "tax reform" in Michigan, which to the GOP mainly means a massive cut in business taxes. Patterson, House Speaker Craig DeRoche, R-Novi, Republican gubernatorial candidate Dick DeVos and the state chamber promptly began urging business tax cuts.

They admit that repeal of the SBT will cost the state \$1.9 billion of the \$9.3 billion in the General Fund, the money the government uses to run the state. But they argue that it would "improve the business climate" to build a business tax cut of \$500 million into any plans for a replacement tax structure.

There is little sign that such a tax cut would improve our economy. State tax revenue has been cut by \$4 billion in the past five years, and there is little sign this did anything for the collapsing domestic automobile industry. Manufacturers universally say that while the SBT is an aggravation, the tax that really hurts is the completely unrelated personal property tax.

■ Step 4: Hire heavyweight experts to craft selfserving tax plans. With SBT repeal a near-certainty, various interest groups are busy cobbling up "tax reform" schemes crafted to their liking.

The Chamber of Commerce has hired Ernst & Young, one of the country's best-known accounting firms, to put together a tax reform package for Michigan. Last year, E&Y worked on a business tax plan for Ohio, which featured repeal of the personal property tax on machinery, equipment and inventory. Nobody expects the Michigan plan to be similar, especially since the main patrons of the state chamber are the insurance and banking industries.

Step 5: Don't discuss what we are trying to achieve. Just cut taxes, and worry about cleaning up the mess later. So far, there has been no discussion of what kind of state we want to have, before trying to figure out what kind of tax structure best gets us there. Michigan is now at the edge of a cliff. We're about to get pushed off, falling backward into a future that may turn us into a parody of a poor Southern state from the past.

The vibrant Michigan we once knew, the place that attracted people because of our commitment to education, the environment and the quality of life for all our citizens will be just a bitter memory.

So it is time to start asking in a very loud voice: Granholm, what do you stand for — and where the hell are you on this? Business community, how come you are so deafeningly silent?

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Barn saga is one news story with a happy ending

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t's just an old barn.

That's what some of my colleagues kept telling me about my insistence to cover the saga of the Cady barn, a century-old barn that had a neardeath experience in recent weeks. Does anybody really care about an old barn, they would ask. Perhaps they were just forcing me to justify whether the fate of the old barn was really a story or not.

In my mind, there has never really been any doubt. The minute I heard that Plymouth-Canton Schools officials wanted to tear down Aruna Cady's old barn on the P-CEP campus so

> nis courts, it sent up a red flag for me.

Cady's old barn, which dates back to the early 1900s and includes timbers from a pre-Civil War barn, is one of the few remaining links to Canton's agricultural past.

During a time when the community seemed so focused on IKEA and how it was going to

forever alter the town's image, I thought it a bit ironic that the fate of the barn garnered so little attention. IKEA is hip, stylish and new - all things that farming is not. Yet, it is farming that put Canton and the area on the map. The Cady family and its barn was part of that proud past.

A small group of people, primarily in the Canton Historical Society, understood this fact. They tried to raise the necessary money to have it moved to Cherry Hill Village, where it could be a great learning tool about Canton's past. Unfortunately, for whatever reason, they had little success with their fund-raising crusade.

And the students in Darrin Silvester's Michigan history class at Salem High certainly cared about the barn's fate. When they found out the structure was going to be demolished, the students made it a class project to research different aspects of the barn, the Cady family, and the farming tradition of the area. They made a public presentation of their findings and even offered a guided tour of the barn, which was attended by about 70 people.

Silvester and some of his students, including Joey Podrasky and Laine Kostegian, threw their heart and soul into the project, knowing perhaps they would have the final word on the barn and its history. They should be commended for trying to bring some attention to the matter. And Silvester should be commended for getting creative with his curriculum, and getting his students involved in a real issue that impacts their community. I suspect, years from now, they will remember this project more than others from high school.

In the end, just when it appeared the wrecking

ball was closing in, it was Canton resident Bob Boyer who had the final say. Boyer stepped in and is spending about \$80,000 of his own money to have the barn moved to the village next 🔮 to the historic Bartlett-Travis House. Although the township board approved spending another \$37,000 to prepare the site, the barn wouldn't have been saved without Boyer.

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Boyer has been around Canton a long time, and, ironically, says he once even hauled livestock out of the Cady barn. But he has seen the Canton he once knew disappear piece by piece. Development has torn away much of the town he once called home. He has not complained, however. In fact he has embraced the new Canton, and is one of its most active residents.

And the fact is Boyer has also benefited from all the development. Like so many other older residents, he recently sold his acreage on the town's southwest side to a developer. But instead of taking his money and running off to build a condo in Florida or some other exotic locale, he decided to invest in Canton's future by preserving a piece of its past.

Unfortunately, in our society, progress has become synonymous with tearing up the land and whatever has come before. Canton's old barns are no exception. According to Boyer, the Cady barn is one of only three left in the entire township. A hundred years from now, children in the area will have no idea that Canton was once the sweet corn capital of Michigan and helped feed the world. Sure, they may read about it in a history book, but they certainly won't see any physical evidence of it on the Canton landscape of tidy subdivisions and strip malls.

Except for the restored Cady barn in Cherry Hill Village.

Some people may view the barn as just some useless old lumber that has no place in our modern world. Some township board members have even expressed reservations about moving it to Cherry Hill Village, because they are worried that it will become a money pit for the township. But I think Canton Township Clerk Terry Bennett said it best. "You have to know where we came from to know where we're going," she said.

So while it is responsible to worry about the cost of maintaining the barn, it is a cost the township should bear. And to put it in perspective, I would suspect that more money was spent at IKEA during its grand opening than what it will ultimately cost to move and restore the barn, which is in excellent condition.

Yes, it's just an old barn. And that's precisely the reason it needed to be preserved. It's just too bad that other aspects of Canton's not too distant past couldn't share the same fate.

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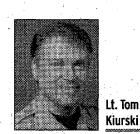
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Ambulances have come a long way

ver since early times, people have required a means of transporting their wounded and sick. In the late 15th century in Spain, surgical and medical supplies were brought together in special tents for the wounded called ambulancias. The war between France and the Austrians and Prussians in 1792 lead to the development of a lightweight, two wheeled vehicle which stayed with the troops and allowed surgeons to work on the battlefield. During the 1864 Convention in Geneva, an agreement was made by several European countries to recognize the neutrality of hospitals, of the sick and wounded, of all persons connected with relief service, and the adoption of a protective sign or badge.

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ⁱ In America, a similar organization had been functioning during the Civil War – The Sanitary Commission, which 20 years later became the American Red Cross, brought into being in large part due to the efforts of Clara Barton. American hospitals initiated their own ambulance services during the late 1860s.



Horsedrawn, these ambulances had a moveable floor that could be drawn out to receive the patient. Beneath the drivers seat was a container with: a quart of brandy, two tourniquets, six bandages, six small sponges, splint material, blankets and a two-ounce vial of persulphate of iron.

With the arrival of the automobile came a different type of ambulance, the first appearing in 1899. During World War I, many ambulances were adapted from buses and taxis. In 1937, the first air-conditioned ambulance was sold in America.

Ambulance service has not been confined to ground units. During the Civil War, train ambulances and steam boat hospitals were used, and street car/trolley ambulances were popular in some cities in the late 1800s. The "medicopter"

is commonplace now, taking patients through the air to the nearest appropriate medical facility. This service started as a means of evacuating combat patients in Korea and Vietnam. Today's ambulances in Livonia are staffed by paramedic licensed firefighters with some amazing technology, from defibrillators and monitors that can transmit an EKG directly to the emergency room to drugs to treat life-threatening conditions on the scene when seconds count.

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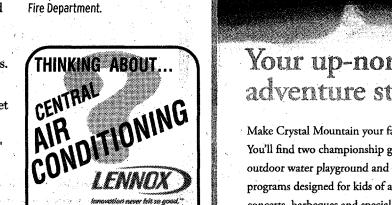
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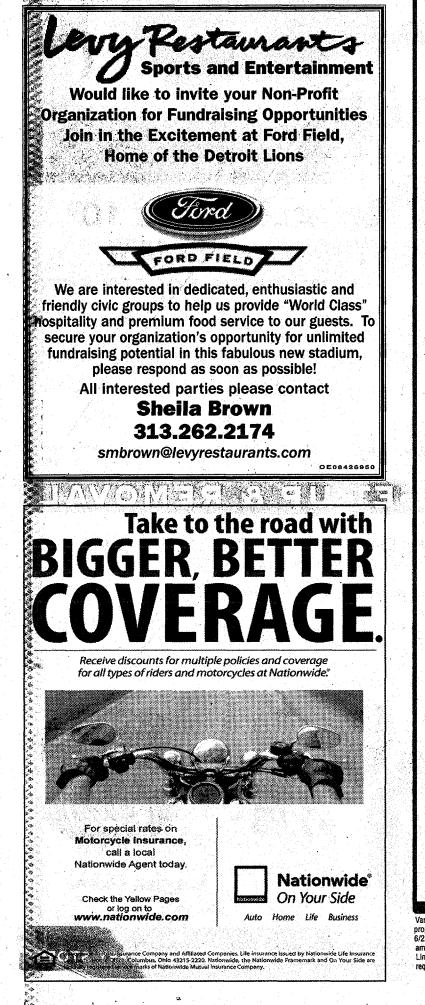
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College on the grow: Walsh expansion to meet growing need

BY SANDRA ARMBRUSTER STAFF WRITER

Like all business owners, Keith Pretty is concerned about his customer base. But Pretty's business is a little different than most; after all, he serves as president of

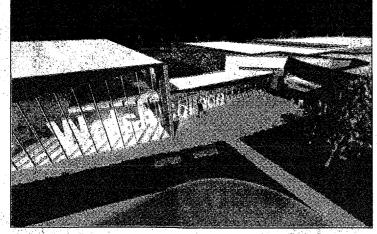
Walsh College in Troy. Nevertheless, he recognizes that both enrollment and courses offered at the business college are market-driven. And like Michigan's economy, Pretty says the independent, not-for-profit college will grow.

"It's how we see our customers change over time," he said of Walsh's future. "Clearly, southeast Michigan is in an economic transition, and for an exclusively business and application of technology (curriculum)," change is needed.

For Walsh, its customers its students - have been growing in numbers, as have programs it offers and the ways of teaching them.

Those changes are prompting Walsh to undertake a \$14 million expansion on the east side of its current 75,000square-foot facility. The groundbreaking for the new 36,000-square-foot, two-story addition was June 12. Construction will begin this summer; completion is expected in fall 2007.

Preparing the way for the addition was the purchase of three acres of land and the removal of its historic designation. The current college is



Walsh College in Troy broke ground for a 36,000-square-foot expansion to its Livernois Road site. The three-phase project is pegged at \$14 million.

located on what was once part of the historic Wattles Farm. The site now encompasses about 30 acres.

Included in the addition are a new library that will be 30 percent larger than the current one, and a 150-seat amphitheater that will be available to the community as well as Walsh students and staff. There also will be conference rooms, new technology and changes in classroom space to allow for small groups of students

Walsh's growth from 303 students in 1970 to today's current level of about 4,500 has resulted in cramped conditions for the college. Complicating that is a solely upper-level and graduate-level student body, many of whom work and take courses only at night.

"We're physically out of space," Pretty said. The college also has satellites in Novi and in Macomb, but the Troy location is the heart of the operation and what the president likes to refer to as the only "indigenous" college to Troy.

There are, however, other reasons for the expansion. Pretty says it is the "real transformation of academic" programming, with new master's level offerings, that is helping to lead to the changes. Walsh's "legacy program" is accounting, Pretty said. It is a subject that grew out of favor in the '90s, but financial scandals such as Enron and new regulations have changed all that. Accounting is now the college's hottest curriculum, he added. Today's instructor no longer

stands solely in front of the

classroom, Pretty said, which necessitates changes in how . space is used and in projecting future uses of technology.

Taking a page from the new addition to the Kresge Foundation, on Big Beaver, the Walsh structure will incorpo-

rate environmentally friendly attributes that Pretty believes will earn it an energy and environmental designation.







LOCAL NEWS

Nominate beautiful business

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Nominations are being sought for the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce's annual Business Beautification Awards.

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For 10 years, the chamber has presented the awards to acknowledge businesses striving to make the community a more beautiful place to do business. Winners have included every type of business from small retail to corporate companies.

Nominations, which must be submitted in writing, are eligible in three exterior categories: Renovation, Landscaping and New Construction. Nominated businesses must be located in the city or township of Plymouth.

Deadline for nominations is July 10. E-mail, fax or mail nominations to chamber@plymouthmi.org, (734) 453-1724, or the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, 850 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, MI 48170.

Read Taste

Student station WSDP hands out honors

WSDP, the student-run radio station serving Plymouth-Canton schools, wrapped up what station officials said was "a successful year" by handing out its three annual scholarships at the 88.1-FM Honor Banquet at Summit on the Park in Canton. Canton High School senior Catherine Furman, who served for two years on staff including a stint as program director, won the Bonnie Dore/WSDP Founder Scholarship, named for the station's first general manager. The scholarship recognizes "dedication to the station and desire to pursue a career in broadcasting or a related field.

Furman plans to continue her studies at Specs Howard School of Broadcast Arts. Canton High School senior` Scott Deckerwon the Jeffrey L. Cardinal Scholarship, named

after the station's third general manager, who served from 1974-1982, and recognizes dedication to the station overfour years. The recipient must have a complete understanding of the station's role in serving the community and have experience in many areas of the station's operation.

Decker joined the station as an eighth-grader and has served as fund-raising, assistant sports, assistant music and sports director. He'll continue his studies at Western Michigan University.

Salem High School senior Emily Hulscher was awarded the John Seidelman Scholarship, named after the station's longtime advisor, who served in that position for 18 years. Seidelman also taught English and was a counselor at Canton and Plymouth High Schools.

The scholarship recognizes dedication to the station and academic success. Hulscher joined the station as a freshman and is currently the station's music director. She'll continue her studies at Eastern Michigan University.

The station also recognized seniors, staff and Director's Award winners:

Graduating seniors — Ruby Braich, Scott Decker and Catherine Furman, Canton High School; Samantha Esper, Paul Jouney and Jessica **Pilkiewicz of Plymouth High** School; and Emily Hulscher, Bryan Kelly and Mandi Mikolajczyk of Salem High School.

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Most Valuable Person — Scott Decker, Canton High School

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Programming — Erin Bodine, Salem High School Promotions — Ashley Forystek and Elizabeth Kruse,

Salem High School Music – Scott Decker,

Canton High School, and Colleen Harder and Carley Zimmerman, Salem High School

News — Timothy Thompson and Carley Zimmerman, Salem High School

The station also named its directors for 2006-07: Mark Maletic, Salem, program director; Ashley Forystek, Colleen Harder, Carley Zimmerman, Salem, assistant music; Erin Bodine, Salem, news; Ryan Winn, Plymouth, sports; Ben Crumm, Canton, production; Sarah Mendonca, Canton, public service.

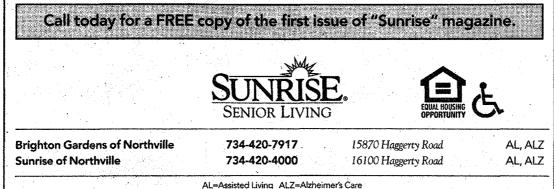


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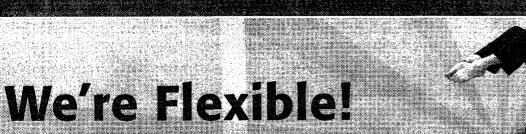
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Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings -June 13, 2006

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, June 13, 2006, at 1150 Canton Center S. Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to appoint Treasurer Kirchgatter chair in the absence of Supervisor Yack. Motion carried by all members present. Treasurer Kirchgatter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Roll Call Members Present: Bennett, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Zarbo Members Absent: Caccamo, Yack Staff Present: Director Durack, Director Santomauro, Director Conklin, Director Faas Adoption of Agenda Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by all members present. Approval of Minutes Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the Board Minutes of May 23, 2006. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the Board Study Minutes of May 30, 2006. Motion carried by all members present. Payment of Bills Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried by all members present. Expenditure Recap for June 23. 2006

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General Fund	101		\$ 824,204.11	
Fire Fund	206		240,395.27	
Police Fund	207		166,736.81	
Summit Operating	208		41,399.69	
Street Lighting	219		18,511.39	
Cable TV Fund	230		3,245.74	
E-911 Utility	261		698.49	
Auto Forfeiture(wwa)	267		20,954.02	
Federal Grants Fund	274		2,232.83	
Auto Theft Grant	289		40,373.37	
Downtown Dev. Auth	294		149,978.07	,
Cap Proj-Road Paving	403		113,263.53	
Golf Fund	584		69,704.04	
Water & Sewer Fund	592		562,638.55	
Trust & Agency Fund	701		5,613.00	
Construction Escrows	702		22,302.95	
Post Employ. Benefits	736		34,757.31	
Koppernick Corp.	852		77.00	
Tonquish Creek Storm	854		98.00	
S. Haggerty Rd. Paving	865		175.00	
Saltz Rd. Paving SAD	873	÷.,	87.80	
Lotz Rd. Paving SAD	, 874		40.25	
Cherry Hill Rd. SAD	875		121.95	
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PRESENTATION: PRESENTATION OF LIEUTENANTS BADGE. (PSD) Canton Police Department promoted Sergeant Todd Mutchler to the rank of Lieutenant. CONSENT CALENDAR: Item 1. APPROVE WESTERN WAYNE CO. CONSENT FIRE DEPARTMENT MUTUAL AID ASSOCIATION DUES. (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to pay the Western Wayne County Mutual Aid Associations dues in the amount of \$6108.40 from Fire Fund Account #206-336-950-0000, Contributions Mutual Aid. Motion carried by all members present. Item 2. APPROVE RETIRED POLICE OFFICERS THE OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE THEIR DUTY WEAPON. (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to afford the opportunity to retired police officers to purchase their specific duty weapon at the replacement cost to the Canton Police Department. Motion carried by all members present. Item 3. SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT STATUS FOR R.O.S.E.'S (RELIEVING **ORPHAN SUFFERING EVERYWHERE) YARD SALE. (PSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve special event status and placement of signs for R.O.S.E.'s (Relieving Orphan Suffering Everywhere) yard sale on June 15 through June 17, 2006 at the parking lot of Canton Charter Academy, 49100 Ford Road, Canton, MI. Motion carried by all members present. Item 4. CONSIDER INCREASING BLANKET PURCHASE ORDERS OF FLEET SERVICES. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to authorize increases of no more than \$20,000 each in the affected blanket purchase orders as necessary to the following vendors used by Fleet Services: 1. Blackwell Ford (PO# 57016) 2. W.F. Miller (PO# 57100) 3. B&F Auto Supply (PO# 57014) 4. Priority One Emergency (PO# 57070). 592-000-110-1000 (automotive batteries), 592-000-110-2000 (tires), 592-000-110-3000 (automotive filters), 592-000-110-4000 (automotive repair parts), 592-000-110-6000 (automotive oils, lubes, fluids), 592-000-110-7000 (automotive supplies) and 592-000-110-1500 (outside repairs). Motion carried by all members present. Item 5. SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT STATUS FOR HOME EDUCATION MUSIC ASSOCIATION'S RUMMAGE SALE AND BAKE SALE. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve special event status and placement of signs (Approximately 40 2' x 2'signs) for Home Education Music Association's rummage sale and bake sale on June 22, 2006 at Geneva Presbyterian Church, 5835 Sheldon Road. Motion carried by all members present. Item 6. SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT STATUS FOR HOME EDUCATION MUSIC ASSOCIATION'S RUMMAGE SALE AND BAKE SALE. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve Church's worship service which will take place in Heritage Park on July 23, Motion carried by all members present. Item 7. BAINBRIDGE CONDOMINIUMS PROPERTY SPLIT (SARATOGA APARTMENTS.) (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to recommend approval of the re-plat of parcels 042-02-0195-000, 042-02-0196-000, 042-02-0198-301 and 042-02-0199-000, Willow Creek Sub, No. 2, as shown on Exhibit "B" of the recorded Master Deed for Bainbridge Condominiums, dated 03/27/06. Motion carried by all members present. Item 8. REMOVE FROM TABLE AND ADOPT SECOND READING, AMENDMENT TO CODE OF ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IV, DIVISION 4, SECTIONS 2-211, 2-212, 2-216; CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION AND REPEAL OF CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IV, DIVISION 2, SECTIONS 2-151 THROUGH 2-180; HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION. (LSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to remove from the table and adopt for the second reading of the amendment to the Code of Ordinances, Canton Charter Township, Michigan, to acknowledge the Canton Cultural Commission as the Canton Commission for Culture, Arts, and Heritage in Chapter 2, Article IV, Division 4, Sections 2-211, 2-212, 2-216: Cultural Arts Commission and to repeal Chapter 2, Article IV, Division 2, Sections 2-151 through 2-180: Human Relations Commission with publication and effective date of June 22, 2006. Motion carried by all members present. STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WAYNE, CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, ORDINANCE CREATING THE COMMISSION FOR CULTURE, ARTS AND HERITAGE AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE CANTON CULTURE, ARTS AND HERITAGE COMMISSION; **PROVIDING FOR THE GENERAL PURPOSE; PROVIDING** FOR THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CANTON CULTURE, ARTS, AND HERITAGE COMMISSION; PROVIDING FOR THE ELECTION AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS; PROVIDING FOR MEETINGS, PROCEDURES AND COMMITTEES IN THE OPERATION OF THE COMMISSION; PROVIDING FOR THE FILING OF AN ANNUAL REPORT; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE. THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS: SECTION 1. GENERAL PURPOSE. The general purpose of this ordinance is to establish, pursuant to P.A. 1947 No. 359, as amended, MCLA 42.1, et seq., a Canton Culture, Arts, and Heritage Commission to advise the Township Board of Trustees and the Leisure Services Advisory Commission on the development of culture, arts, and heritage; to promote and publicize projects that support the culture, arts, and heritage; to serve as advocates for culture, arts, and heritage; to encourage networking and collaborations of the culture, arts, and heritage in the Canton community. The Canton Culture, Arts, and Heritage Commission shall act as an advisory Board with the duty to study. conceive, promulgate and develop plans for the enhancement of the culture, arts, and heritage in the Community. The commission shall further promote public awareness and enlist the support of interested individuals, businesses, industry, schools and civic organizations to further its purpose. The commission shall encourage the development of the arts in the community including, but not limited to, visual arts, drama, music, dance, historical heritage, humanities, and other art forms. The commission shall assist in the development of partnerships and collaborations that promote the culture, arts, and heritage. The commission shall serve as advocates to the arts, promote and support arts education dealing with art, culture and heritage. SECTION 2. CANTON CULTURE, ARTS, AND HERITAGE COMMISSION CREATED. The Board of Trustees hereby establishes and creates the Canton Culture, Arts, and Heritage Commission whose actions and authority are limited to the purposes as set forth in Section 2-211 of this division. SECTION 3. MEMBERSHIP. The commission shall consist of up to 17 members appointed by the Township Supervisor with the approval of the Board of Trustees. Not more than one member of the Canton Board of Trustees will serve in an official capacity of the commission. Members will be solicited from all aspects of the arts. A commission member's term of office shall be for three years, except that four of the members appointed to the first Commission

shall serve for a term of one year, four members for a term of two years and three members for a term of three years. The terms of office shall expire on December 31, provided a member shall continue to serve until a successor is appointed to replace the member. Commission members will serve without compensation. Membership may be terminated at anytime by the Board of Trustees should any member conduct themselves in an unprofessional manner or have two unexcused absences in one calendar year. The chairperson shall inform the member and recommend to the Board of Trustees as to whether the member should be replaced. Interested citizens may serve on committees to further the purposes of the commission, but only commission members shall constitute a quorum for official business. A quorum is defined in the by laws. Members of the Township staff may be appointed by the Board of Trustees to serve as a liaison member(s) to assist in activities which serve the purpose of the commission. SECTION 4. ELECTION AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS. A. The commission shall annually elect a member to serve as chairperson. a member to serve as vice-chairperson and a member to serve as secretary. B. The chairperson shall preside at all meetings, shall appoint such committees as may be authorized by the commission, and shall be an ex-officio member of all committees. The chairperson, subject to the rules of the commission, shall decide all points of order or procedure unless otherwise directed by a majority of the commission in session at that time. C. The vice-chairperson shall preside and exercise all duties of the chairperson in the absence of the chairperson. D. The secretary shall perform the duties customarily involved in such office. All official correspondence shall be approved by the chairperson. A copy of the minutes of each meeting shall be sent to the township clerk and supervisor

SÉCTION 5. MEETINGS. A. All meetings of the commission shall be considered work meetings and open to all Township officials, their appointees, authorized representatives of organizations with the Canton Community and to citizens of the community in accordance with the Michigan Open Meeting Act. B. The commission shall meet regularly, not less than every three (3) months, on a date and time set by the commission. A schedule of meetings shall be set annually by the commission and posted on the Township bulletin board and website.

C. Special meetings may be called by the chairperson as deemed necessary or advisable, with a 5-day written notice of the special meeting date to the members of the commission. SECTION 6. PROCEDURES AND COMMITTEES OF THE COMMISSION. A. The commission will establish by-laws and governing rules as deemed appropriate and approved by the Leisure Services Advisory Commission. B. Minutes shall be kept of all regular and special meetings of the commission and made available to the public in accordance with the Michigan Freedom of Information Act. C. The normal order of business of the commission shall be: 1. Call to order; 2. Roll call; 3. Approval of minutes of previous meeting; 4. Other agenda items; 5. Adjournment. D. All proceedings, decisions and resolutions of the commission shall be initiated by a motion. The vote upon motions and resolutions shall be recorded by roll call. E. Robert's Rules of Orders Revised shall govern the conduct of the commission unless alternate rules are adopted by the commission and approved by the Board of Trustees. F. At a minimum, there shall be the following standing committees as determined by the commission: 1. Annual Goals Communications and Marketing Committee 3. Public Art Committee 4. Partnership for the Arts Additional committees may be established by the commission. At least one member of each committee must be an officer a member of the commission. Subcommittees must establish goals annually, develop appropriate operating procedures, and record minutes in accordance with the Michigan Freedom of Information Act. SECTION 7. ANNUAL **REPORT.** The commission shall, at the end of each calendar year, prepare an annual report to the Township Board of Trustees, reviewing the prior year's activities and providing recommendations for future activities of the Commission. The Annual Report shall be placed on file with the commission secretary and the Township Clerk with copies to the members of the Board of Trustees and the Leisure Services Advisory Commission

SECTION 8. SEVERABILITY. If any clause, sentence, section, paragraph or part of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person, firm, corporation, legal entity or circumstances, shall be for any reason adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, said judgment shall not affect, impair or invalid the remainder of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to the legislative intent of this body that the Ordinance is severable, and that the Ordinance would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional provision not have been included in this Ordinance. SECTION 9. REPEAL. All Ordinance or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect. SECTION 10. SAVINGS CLAUSE. All rights and duties which have matured, penalties which have been incurred, proceedings which have begun and prosecution for violations of law occurring before the effective date of this Ordinance are not affected or abated by this Ordinance. **SECTION 11. PUBLICATION.** The Clerk for the Charter Township of Canton shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law. SECTION 12. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law. Item 9. AUTHORIZE THE INCREASE OF BLANKET PURCHASE ORDER FOR DANCIN' FEET TICKET SALE REIMBURSEMENT. (LSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to authorize the increase of blanket purchase order #58324 from \$6,000 to \$9,060 from Recreation Division (account #101-691-818-2000) to reimburse Dancin' Feet for ticket sales per the contract with Canton Leisure Services and approve the following budget amendment: Increase Revenues: General Program Fees-Recreation #101-000-651-4000 \$3,090, Increase Appropriations: Contracted Services-Enrichment-Recreation #101-691-818-2000 \$3,090 This budget amendment increases the Recreation Division budget from \$2,200,635 to \$2,203,735 and the General fund budget from \$28,081,649 to \$28,084,739. Motion carried by all members present. Item 10. APPROVING INVESTMENT AGENCIES. (TREASURER) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin that the Canton Township Treasurer or her designee be authorized to utilize the investment services of the above referenced institutions. Motion carried by all members present. Item 11. ADOPTION OF MERS RETIREE HEALTH FUNDING VEHICLE UNIFORM RESOLUTION. (TREASURER) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin that the MERS Retiree Health Funding Vehicle Uniform Resolution be adopted by the Charter Township of Canton Board of Trustees. Motion carried by all members present. GENERAL CALENDAR: Item 1. CONSIDER SPECIAL LAND USE AND SITE PLAN FOR ROSEY'S ROMPER ROOM ADDITION. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt the resolution for special land use and site plan for Rosey's Romper Room. Motion carried by all members present. RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Special Land Use and Site Plan for Rosey's Romper Room WHEREAS, the Project Sponsor has requested special land use for a child care center and site plan approval for an addition to the existing Rosey's Romper Room Facility located on the east side of Canton Center Road and south of Joy road on Tax EDP nos. 010-99-0027-001 and 010-99-0027-002; and, WHEREAS, the Planning Commission found the proposed special land use and site plan to be CONSISTENT with the development objectives of the Township and recommended APPROVAL; and, WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the proposed request for special land use and site plan approval and determines the proposal to be CONSISTENT with the Zoning Ordinance regulations and development objectives subject to the conditions described in the analysis and recommendation form attached hereto and made a part hereof. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby APPROVE the special land use and site plan for the proposed addition to Rosey's Romper Room Child Care Center located on the east side of Canton Center Road and South of Joy Road; subject to all other regulations of the Township. Item 2. CONSIDER PURCHSE OF MANHOLE ENCAPSULATION SYSTEM FROM NATIONAL NATIONAL WATERWORKS FOR SANITARY SEWER STRUCTURES. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve a purchase order in the amount of \$8,507.74 plus a 10% contingency of \$851 for a not-to-exceed amount of \$9,358.74 from Account #592-441-935-0000 to National Waterworks to purchase the manhole encapsulation system supplies for placement around the sanitary sewer structures being adjusted as part of the Warren Reconstruction Project and the 2006 Sidewalk Program. Motion carried by all members present. Item 3. REQUEST FOR VILLAGE THEATER PURCHASES. (LSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to approve the purchase of the following Village Theater equipment: 1. Brass Handrails - Courturier Iron Crafts. Inc., 505 W. River Dr., Comstock Park, MI 49321 in the amount of \$10,300.00 2. Sound Equipment - SCMS, 6201 Splitrock Trail, Apex, N.C. 27539 in the amount of \$41,331.50 3. Stage Lighting -BMI Supplies, 571 Queensbury Ave. Queensbury, NY 12804 in the amount of \$27,704.00 4. Telephone system additions - Allied Communications, 17600 Northland Park Ct., Southfield, MI 48075 in the amount of \$ 1,750.00 5. House Seat Fabric - Theatre Solutions, Inc., 121 Park Avenue, Quakertown, PA 18951 in the

amount of \$ 1,884.50 TOTAL \$82,970.00 I further move to approve the following budget amendment in the Capital Projects Building Construction Fund: Increase Revenues: Appropriation from Fund Balance #402-000-699-0000 \$82,970,

#402-302-977-0000 Increase Appropriations: Equipment Costs \$82,970 This budget amendment establishes the 2006 Capital Projects Building Construction Fund budget at \$82,970. Motion AUTHORIZE carried by all members present. Item 4. THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF SLED HOCKEY SLEDS AND STICKS. (LSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to authorize the transfer of \$7.500 from Recreation Division Budget Program Activity Supplies Therapeutic Recreation account #101-691-742-1000 to Recreation Division Budget Capital Outlay Equipment account #101-691-977-0000 for the purchase of sled hockey sleds and sticks. Motion carried by all members present. Item 5. AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF PASSENGER VAN WITH WHEELCHAIR LIFE. (LSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to authorize the purchase of a Ford E354 Superduty EXT Passenger Wagon with wheelchair lift steps and rails from Mobility Works, 1965 East Avis, Madison Heights, MI 48071 in the amount of \$34,800, with \$29,000 taken from Recreation Division Account #101-691-977-0000, \$4,000 taken from Social Services - Transportation Account #101-670-860-0000 and \$1,800 from the account numbers listed and to authorize the necessary budget adjustments. Motion carried by all members AUTHORIZE ASPHALT PAVING Item 6. present. REPLACEMENT AT FLODIN PARK. (LSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to award the bid to do asphalt paving replacement for Flodin Park to Best Asphalt Inc., 6334 North Beverly Plaza, Romulus, MI 48174 in the amount of \$48,950.00 to be paid from Account # 246-750-970-000 Item # 8 (Paved Surfaces on Township Properties). Motion carried by all members present. Item 7. APPROVE BID FOR PARK/GOLF MAINTENANCE BUILDING CONSTRUCTION. (LSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the bid by Evangelista Corporation, 40028 Grand River, Suite 400, Novi, MI 48375, in the amount of \$850,900 with a contingency of \$52,545 for the construction of the Parks/Golf Maintenance Facility and Expansion Project. Motion carried by all members present. Item 8. FIRST READING TO AMEND THE PARK ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 50, ARTICLE II; TO PROVIDE FOR REGULATION OF PUBLIC CONDUCT IN PARKS; TO PROVIDE FOR REGULATION OF PUBLIC CONDUCT IN PARKS; TO PROVIDE FOR VIOLATIONS AND PENALTY; TO PROVIDE FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, SERVERABILITY, AND SAVING OF ALL PENDING MATTERS; AND TO PROVIDE FOR PUBLICHATION AND THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF. (LSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to introduce and table the first reading of the amendment to the Code of Ordinances, Canton Charter Township, Michigan, Chapter 50, Article II of the Park Ordinance with publication on June 22, 2006. The second reading will be on June 27, 2006 with effective date and publication of July 6, 2006. Motion carried by all members present. STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PARK ORDINANCE AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PARK ORDINANCE AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 50, ARTICLE II; TO PROVIDE FOR **REGULATION OF PUBLIC CONDUCT IN PARKS; TO** PROVIDE FOR VIOLATION AND PENALTY; TO PROVIDE FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, SEVERABILITY, AND SAVING OF ALL PENDING MATTERS; AND TO PROVIDE FOR PUBLICATION AND THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF. THE CHARTER **TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS: SECTION 1. REVISION** TO CHAPTER 50, ARTICLE II Chapter 50, Article II of the Canton Charter Township Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows: ARTICLE II. PUBLIC CONDUCT IN PARKS Sec. 50-31. Definitions. The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning: Department Division means the Department of Leisure Services division of parks and recreation services of the township. Division means the Park and Facility Maintenance Division of the Department of Leisure Services. Organization means any for-profit corporation, non-profit corporation, limited liability company, partnership, or sole proprietorship, and persons accompanying such organization. Park means any of the public parks located in the township or under the jurisdiction and the control of the division. Public building means park and/or recreation Leisure Services building. Superintendent Director means the Director of the Department of Leisure Services superintendent of parks and recreation services of the township, or his/her duly authorized agents or assistants. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 2, 6-23-194) Cross references: Definitions generally, § 1-2. Sec. 50-32. Supervision of parks. All township-owned parks shall be operated and maintained under the supervision of the Department of Leisure Services the division of parks and recreation services. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 3, 6-23-194) Sec. 50-33. Authority of Director superintendent. The Director superintendent shall be responsible for the operation and maintenance of the township parks, and all employees of the Department of Leisure Services division of parks and recreation services concerned in the maintenance of such parks shall perform their duties under the supervision of the Director superintendent. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 4, 6-23-194) Sec. 50-34. Enforcement. officers. The police division and ordinance inspectors enforcement officers shall enforce the provisions of this article and any other ordinances pertaining to the township parks and shall enforce all rules and regulations relating to the use of such parks. Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 5, 6-23-194) Cross references: Officers and employees, § 2-51 et seq. Sec. 50-35. Violation of rules. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate any duly adopted rule or regulation governing conduct in any township park. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 6, 6-23-194) Sec. 50-36. Operating hours and closed areas. (a) Parks shall be open to the public every day of the year from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., official township time, unless otherwise permitted by the Director superintendent in writing. The opening and closing hours for each individual park shall be posted therein for public information. (b) Any park or section thereof may be declared closed to the public by the Director superintendent at any time and for any interval of time, either temporarily or at regular stated intervals (daily or otherwise), either enti rely or merely for specific uses, as the Director superintendent shall find reasonably necessary. The local law enforcement agency shall have the authority to close any park or section thereof, in the interest of the public safety. (c) It shall be unlawful for any person to use, occupy, frequent, loiter in or be in any park in the township unless the park is officially open to the general public. (Ord. No. 81, as amended, § 12(A), eff. 10-10-2000; Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(D)(3), 8(A), (B), 6-23-194) Sec. 50-37. Permits. (a) Application. Applications for park permits shall be filed with the Division. Park and Facility Maintenance superintendent not less than 30 days and not more than 100 days before the date on which it is proposed to conduct any such activity. Reservations will be taken on a first come first serve basis starting February 1st of each year. Such applications shall be sworn to and shall state: (1) The name of the person or organization wishing to conduct such activity. (2) If the activity is proposed to be conducted for, or on behalf of, or by an organization, the name, address and telephone number of the headquarters of the organization, and the authorized and responsible head of such organization. (3) The name, address and telephone number of the person who will be chairperson of such activity and who will be responsible for its conduct. (4) The name, address and telephone number of the person to whom the permit is desired to be issued. (5) The date when such activity is to be conducted. (6) The park or portion thereof for which such permit is desired. (7) An estimate of the anticipated attendance. (8) The hour when such activity will start and terminate. (b) Criteria for issuance. The Park and Facility maintenance Division superintendent Director shall issue a permit when he finds that: (1) The proposed activity or use of the park will not unreasonably interfere with or detract from the general public enjoyment of the park. (2) The proposed activity and use will not unreasonably interfere with or detract from the promotion of the public health, welfare, safety and recreation. (3) The proposed activity or use is not unreasonably anticipated to incite violence, crime, or disorderly conduct. (4) The proposed activity will not entail unusual, extraordinary or burdensome expense or police operation by the township. (5) The proposed activity will not create noise to the extent that it unreasonably disturbs persons within the township. (6) The facilities desired have not been reserved for other use at the days and hours requested on the application. (7) The application has been accompanied by a nonrefundable park permit application fee, in an amount to be set by township board resolution, to cover the township's administrative costs in reviewing and evaluating the application. (c) Notice of denial; appeal of denial. Within seven days after receipt of an application, the Director superintendent shall apprise an applicant in writing of his or her reasons for refusing a permit if the permit is refused, and any aggrieved person shall have the right to appeal in writing within five days to the township board, which shall consider the application under the standards set forth in subsection (b) of this section and sustain or overrule the Director's superintendent's decision within two weeks. The decision of the township board shall be final. (d) Liability of permittee. The person or organization to whom a permit is issued (Continued On Page A17)

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Local therapist lauded for efforts during 9/II, Katrina

Nancy Malone, a Canton resident and long-time physical therapist at United Home Health Services, was awarded the Spirit of Caring Award from the Michigan Home Health Association (MHHA) on May 11 during its annual conference in Traverse City. According to MHHA, this prestigious honor is only given occasionally, as it is reserved for an individual whose contribution to home care is considered to be unique and of extraordinary value.

Malone was nominated for the award by her supervisor, Lynn Lariviere.

"Nancy has consistently demonstrated excellence in her profession and leadership qualities. She goes the extra mile in everything she does, including her relationships with her patients," said Lariviere, rehabilitation coordinator at United. "Nancy is a wonderful, caring person and an outstanding therapist. She has been such an asset to United Home Health Services. We are so thrilled that she has been recognized with this high honor."

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shall be liable for any loss, damage or injury by to any person or property whatever by reason of the negligence, gross negligence, or recklessness of the person or organization to whom such permit shall have been issued or any of his or her guests. (e) Revocation. The superintendent Director shall have the authority to revoke a permit for any of the following causes: (1) Fraud, misrepresentation or false statements contained in the application for the permit. (2) Fraud, misrepresentation, or false statements made by the permit holder on the performance of the authorized operation. (3) The failure to comply with the provisions of park rules, ordinances of the township, including this article, or laws of the state. (4) The person or organization that received the permit attempts to transfer the permit to any other person or organization not named on the permit. (5) The permittee or her or his designee is no t present for the entire specified use, and/or fails to present the permit upon request of the Director, a police officer, or an ordinance inspector during the permitted use. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 8(D)--(H), 6-23-194) Sec. 50-38. Damaging or tampering with buildings or other property. No person shall willfully mark, deface, disfigure, injure, tamper with, displace, or remove any park building, bridge, tables, benches, fireplaces, railings, painting material, public utilities or appurtenances, signs, notices or placards whether temporary or permanent, or other structures or equipment, facilities or park property or appurtenances whatsoever, either real or personal. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(A)(1)a, 6-23-194) Cross references: Offenses involving property rights, § 46-61 et seq. Sec. 50-39. Use of restrooms or wash rooms designated for opposite sex. No person in a park over the age of five years shall use the restrooms and washrooms designated for the opposite sex. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(A)(1)b, 6-23-194) Sec. 50-40. Damaging trees, shrubbery or lawns; standing or sitting on fences or other property. (a) No person shall willfully damage, cut, carve, transplant, or remove any tree or plant or injure the bark of any tree or pl ant, or attach any rope, wire or other contrivance to any tree or plant in a park. A person shall not dig in or otherwise disturb grass areas, or in any other way injure or impair the natural beauty or usefulness of any area in the park. (b) No person shall climb any tree, or walk, stand, or sit upon railings, fences or any other property not designated to be customarily used for such purposes. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(A)(2), 6-23-194) Cross references: Offenses involving property rights, § 46-61 et seq. Sec. 50-41. Injuring wild animals or birds. (a) No person shall attempt to harm or injure, kill, shoot or throw missiles at any animal, reptile or bird in a park. No person shall remove or have in his possession, give away, sell or offer to sell, or buy or offer to buy, or accept as a gift, any specimen, alive or dead, of any animal, reptile or bird. An exception to this section is made for snakes known to be deadly poisonous, such as rattlesnakes. (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to feed or attempt to feed any animal or bird any known noxious substance. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(A)(3), 6-23-194) Cross references: Animals. ch. 14. Sec. 50-42. Pollution of waters. It shall be unlawful to throw. discharge, or otherwise place or cause to be placed in the waters of any fountain, pond, lake, stream, or other body of water in or adjacent to any park, or any tributary, stream, storm sewer or drain flowing into such waters, any substance, matter or thing, liquid or solid, which will result in the pollution of such waters. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(B)(1), 6-23-194) Sec. 50-43. Disposal of refuse. No person shall throw or deposit litter, refuse or trash in any park within the township except in public receptacles and in such a manner that the refuse and trash will be prevented from being carried or deposited by the elements upon any part of the park or upon any street or public place. Where public receptacles are not provided, all such litter, refuse and trash shall be carried away from the park by the person responsible for its presence and properly disposed of elsewhere in accordance with the laws of the township and the state. No person shall bring into or dump, deposit or leave in any park any bottles, broken glass, ashes, paper, boxes, cans, dirt, rubbish, waste, garbage, or refuse or other trash unless it directly results from an authorized park use or function. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(B)(2), 6-23-194) Sec. 50-44. Use of picnic areas A picnic area shall be used on a first come, first serve basis unless area is designated for permitted use. It shall be unlawful to picnic or lunch in a park in a place other than those designated for that purpose. The Director superintendent or his duly authorized agents shall have the authority to regulate the activities in such areas when necessary to prevent congestion and to secure the maximum use for the comfort and convenience of all. Visitors shall comply with any directions given to achieve this end. For picnic pavilion structure rental, refer to Section 50-58. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(C)(1), 6-23-194) Sec. 50-45. Camping. No person shall erect or set up tents, shacks, house trailers, camping trailers or any other temporary shelter for the purpose of overnight camping in a park, unless allowed through a Township event sanctioned by the Director. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(C)(2), 6-23-194) Sec. 50-46. Games. It shall be unlawful to take part in the playing of games such as golf, baseball, football, soccer and softball in a park except in areas designated for such activities. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(C)(3), 6-23-194) Sec. 50-47. Horseback riding. It shall be unlawful to ride a horse in a park except on designated bridle trails. Where horseback riding is permitted, horses shall be thoroughly broken and properly restrained and ridden with due care, and shall not be allowed to graze or go unattended, nor shall they be hitched to any rock. tree or shrub. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(C)(4), 6-23-194) Sec. 50-48. Domestic animals. (a) No person shall bring into or have in hi s possession or control within the boundaries of any community park any dog or pet of any kind, unless the dog or pet shall be kept on a leash of not over six feet in length and under the immediate control of some responsible person. The Director may restrict dogs and pets from accessing park properties when safety is a concern during certain special events. The person who owns or is in charge of the dog or pet shall immediately remove all droppings deposited by such dog or pet by any sanitary method. The droppings shall be disposed of by the person owning or in charge of the dog or pet on the property of the person owning or in charge of the dog or pet or deposited in a trash receptacle. (b) A guide or leader dog, hearing dog, or service dog, if the guide or leader dog is wearing a harness or if the hearing dog or service dog is wearing a blaze orange leash and collar, hearing dog cape, or service dog backpack, and being led or accompanied by a person with disabilities, is exempt from subsection (a) of this section if the person with disabilities being led or accompanied has in his possession a pictured identification card certifying that the dog was trained by a qualified organization or trainer. (c) Public Safety Canine Patrol dogs are exempt from subsection (a) of this section. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(D)(1), 6-23-194) Cross references: Animals, ch. 14. Sec. 50-49. Fires. No person shall start or maintain a fire within the boundaries of any community park except in picnic stoves, fireplaces or other such containers for such purposes. No person shall drop, throw, or otherwise scatter lighted matches, burning cigarettes or cigars, tobacco paper or other flammable material within any park area or

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patients and co-workers, but also has reached out to those in need far from home. She drove to New York City soon after 9/11 occurred to assist in the rescue efforts at ground zero. There she hauled debris, performed basic medical care, and served food. She worked around the clock, resting only occasionally on a park bench while firefighters told their stories. This experience strongly impacted her dedication to serve.

Hurricane Katrina ignited Malone's desire to serve once again, so she traveled south with monetary donations, supplies, and food. This resulted in the founding of her charity Hands of Light in Action, whose mission is to assist people in need. She will be leading a caravan of Michigan residents including Oakland University and Schoolcraft College students to New Orleans and Waveland, Miss. from July 8-23 to continue her mission of aiding those devastated by the hurricane. Nancy is humble about her award and

accomplishments. "I am grateful and honored to receive

this award. I feel very lucky to be able to live my dream and follow my God-given path. There are so many home care professionals that go above and beyond with their support, love, and caring every day and I am very privileged to work with them. This has been an amazing journey already --almost more than my heart can take in," she said.

Malone is currently pursuing her doctorate in orthopedic manual physical therapy and has a developing interest in Therapeutic Touch.

Donations and volunteers are being sought for Hands of Light in Action's July trip.



Canton resident Nancy Malone, a longtime physical therapist at United Home Health Services, holds her Spirit of Caring Award from the Michigan Home Health Association.

on any highway, road or street abutting or contiguous thereto. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(D)(2), 6-23-194) Cross references: Fire prevention and protection, ch. 38. Sec. 50-50. Conducting amusement for gain. No amusement for gain or for which a charge is made can be conducted in any park without first obtaining a permit in accordance with section 50-37. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(D)(3), 6-23-194) Cross references: Amusements and entertainments, ch. 10. Sec. 50-51. Alcoholic beverages. It shall be unlawful for any person to possess or consume any alcoholic beverages, including spirits, liquor, beer or wine, in any township park, except beer or wine purchased on the premises from a duly licensed vendor. Obtaining a day vendor's license does not alleviate the facility use permit requirement outlined elsewhere in this article. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(D)(5), 6-23-194) Cross references: Alcoholic liquor, ch. 6. Sec. 50-52. Off-road vehicles; moto r-driven vehicles restricted to roadways and parking areas. (a) No person shall operate or have in his possession within the boundaries of any community park any off-road motor-driven vehicle, including, but not limited to, a mini bike, dirt bike, dune mobile, dune buggy, all-terrain vehicle, snowmobile, converted snowmobile, amphibious vehicle or similar motorized device. (b) No person shall operate, drive, push, or otherwise propel any motordriven vehicle on any portions of any community park covered by grass or other natural vegetation unless authorized by the superintendent Director. All motor-driven vehicles must remain on the roadways or in the designated parking areas. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(D)(6), 6-23-194) Cross references: Traffic and vehicles, ch. 70. Sec. 50-53. Remote control vehicles. No person shall operate within the boundaries of any community park any remote control airplanes, helicopters, cars or gas or electric powered boats without first obtaining a permit in accordance with section 50-37. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(D)(7), 6-23-194) Sec. 50-54. Skateboards and Rollerblades. No person shall skateboard in any community park except at such times and in such places as may be designated by the Director superintendent for such use. The Director may restrict rollerblading on park properties when safety is a concern during certain special events. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 7(D)(8), 6-23-194). Sec. 50-55. Assemblies. No person shall engage in, participate in, aid, form, or organize any assembly or group of people or make any speeches, or conduct any musical program or festival, in any park, unless a permit has been obtained from the Director superintendent, and unless such a permit is carried by the person heading or leading such activity; provided, however, that the provisions of this section shall not apply to students' work when constituting a part of their educational activities under the immediate direction and supervision of the proper school authorities, or to any governmental agency within the scope of its functions. (Ord. No. 108, as amended, § 8(C), 6-23-194) Sec. 50-56. Conducting sales for gain. (a) No person shall engage or participate in the sale of food products or goods for gain or for which a charge is made in any park without first meeting the requirements of Chapter 54, Peddlers and Solicitors, including but not limited to receiving a permit thereunder. (b) No person shall engage or participate in the sale of food products or goods for gain or for which a charge is made in any park without first obtaining a permit in accordance with section 50-37 Sec. 50-57. Organization or group participation. At posted locations, including but not limited to the Heritage Park Splash Playground, a group which has or is reasonably expected to have twelve (12) or more persons, or an organization, participating at park amenities must first obtain permit in accordance with section 50-37. Sec. 50-58. Picnic pavilion structures. No person or organization except the Permitted person or organization shall use designated picnic pavilions during times posted for rental use only. For use of picnic areas refer to section 50-44. SECTION 2. VIOLATION AND PENALTY. Unless otherwise provided, any person, corporation, partnership or any other legal entity who violates the Unlawful Acts provisions of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and/or imprisonment for up to ninety (90) days. Every act or violation and every day upon which a violation shall occur shall be considered a separate offense. SECTION 3. **REPEAL.** All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, except as herein provided, are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect. SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY. If any section, subsection, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion thereof. SECTION 5. SAVINGS CLAUSE. The repeal or amendment herein shall not abrogate or affect any offense or act committed or done, or any penalty or forfeiture incurred, or any pending litigation or prosecution of any right established or occurring prior to the effective date of this Ordinance, as amended. SECTION 6. PUBLICATION. The Clerk for the Charter Township of Canton shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law. SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall take full force and effect upon publication. CERTIFICATION The foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the Township Board Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton at its regular meeting called and held on the _ day of 2006, and was ordered to be given publication in the manner required by law. Item. 9. REQUEST FROM T.C. OF CANTON, INC. TO TRANSFER OWNERSHIP OF 2006 CLASS C LICENSED BUSINESS WITH ENTERTAINMENT PERMIT, LOCATED IN ESCROW AT 43750 FORD, CANTON MI 48187, CANTON TOWNSHIP WAYNE COUNTY FROM DAVID H. KHOURY ENTERPRISES, INC. (CLERK) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the request from T. C. of Canton, Inc. to transfer ownership of 2006 Class C licensed business with Entertainment Permit, located in escrow at 43750 Ford Road, Canton MI 48187, Canton Township, Wayne County from David E. Khoury Enterprises, Inc. Motion carried by all members present. Item 10. BUDGET AMENDMENT - STREE LIGHTING FUND. (CLERK) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the following budget amendment in the Street Lighting Fund for the installation of street lights in Lexington Square I & II: Increase Revenues: Contribution-Private Sources #219-000-675-0000 \$4,022, Increase Appropriations: Installation Charge #219-265-926-0003 \$4,022. This budget amendment increases the Street Lighting Fund budget from \$242,050 to \$246,072. Motion carried by all members present. Item 11. FIRST READING AMENDMENT TO THE ORDINANCE FOR THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, CHAPTER 74, UTILITIES, SECTIONS 74-37(B) AND 74-37(F). (CLERK) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to introduce and table the first reading of the amendment to the Code of Ordinances, Canton Charter Township, Michigan, Chapter 74 Section 74-37(b) and 74-37(f) with publication on June 22, 2006. The second reading will be on June 27, 2006 and effective date and publication of July 6, 2006. Motion carried by all

members present. STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON AMENDMENT TO SECTIONS 74-37(b) AND 74-37(f) OF CHAPTER 74, UTILITIES AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 74-37(b) AND 74-37(f) OF CHAPTER 74, UTILITIES OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON; PROVIDING FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE WATER SUPPLY CROSS CONNECTION RULES OF THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL OUALITY THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, THE STATE PLUMBING CODE AND THE WAYNE COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH CODE; PROVIDING FOR BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICES AND THE TESTING THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES; PROVIDING FOR **REPEAL OR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE. THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS: SECTION 1.** AMENDMENTS TO THE CODE. Sections 74-37(b) and 74-37(f) of Chapter 74, Utilities of the Code of Ordinances of the Charter Township of Canton are hereby amended to read in pertinent part as follows: Sec. 74.37. Cross connection with public water supply. (b) Compliance with applicable regulations; statutes and administrative rules adopted. A connection with a public water supply system shall comply with the following which are hereby adopted by reference: (1) The Water Supply Cross Connection Rules of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality being R325.11401 to R325.11407 of the Michigan Administrative Code, and (2) The State Plumbing Code, and (3) The Wayne County Environmental Health Code, Articles I, II and IX, effective September 1, 1977, as amended. (f) Corrections; testing of backflow prevention devices. (3) All testable backflow prevention devices shall be tested upon installation to be sure that the device is working properly. Subsequent testing of devices shall be conducted on an annual basis as required by the water utility in accordance with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality requirements. Only individuals that are approved and State of Michigan certified shall be qualified to perform such testing. The individual conducting such testing shall certify the results of his/her testing. SECTION 2. VIOLATION AND PENALTY. Any person or entity

that violates any provision of this Ordinance may, upon conviction, be fined not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or imprisoned not more than Ninety (90) days, or both, in the discretion of the court. SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY. If any clause, sentence, section, paragraph or part of this Ordinance, or theapplication thereof to any person, firm, corporation, legal entity or circumstances, shall be for any reason adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, said judgment shall not affect, impair or invalid the remainder of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to the legislative intent of this body that the Ordinance is severable, and that the Ordinance would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional provision not have been included in this Ordinance. SECTION 4. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES. All Ordinance or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect. SECTION 5. SAVINGS CLAUSE. All rights and duties which have matured, penalties which have been incurred, proceedings which have begun and prosecution for violations of law occurring before the effective date of this Ordinance are not affected or abated by this Ordinance. SECTION 6. PUBLICATION. The Clerk for the Charter Township of Canton shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law. SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law. Item 12. CONSIDER PHASE ONE OF MOTORCYCLE RADIO SYSTEM REPLACEMENT. (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to approve phase one of motorcycle radio system replacement with the purchase of 4-Helmet Kit Speakers from ComSource, Inc., 2130 Austin Dr., Rochester Hills, MI 48309 for an amount of \$3670 -- 911 Emergency Service Funds, Capital Outlay Police Account #261 346 977 2070. (Cost Center P00049 0216 0000) Further, I move to approve the purchase of 3-Motorola XTL-5000 radios and accessories through a State of Michigan Bid from Motorola, Inc, 131208 Collections Ctr. Dr. Chicago, IL, 60693 in the amount of \$10,483 -911 Emergency Service Funds, Capital Outlay Police Account #261 346 977 2070. (Cost Center P00049 0216 0000). Motion carried by all members present. Item 13. CONSIDER THE PURCHASE OF ULTRASONIC GUN CLEANER. (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the purchase of the L & R LE-36 SWEEP Set Up Product Code 18640, Ultrasonic gun cleaner from Michigan Police Equipment, 6521 Lansing Road, Charlotte, MI 48813 in the amount of \$5400. Police Capital Outlay Account #207 301 977 0000. (Cost Center P00049 0000 0000). Motion carried by all members present. Item 14. CONSIDER CARPET REPLACEMENT FOR FIRE STATION #1. (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to approve the purchase of carpet replacement for Fire Station #1 from J & N Contracting LLC, 7442 Derby St., Canton, MI 48187 in the amount of \$10,064. FY 2006 Fire Account #206 336 930 0000 (Cost Center P00055 0000 0000). Motion carried by all members present. Item 15. CONSIDER THE PURCHASE CLEMIS CAD TRAINING COMPUTER. (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the reprogramming of \$3206 from Police Account # 207 301 977 2580 Line Item #14 to a new line item for the purchase of a CLEMIS CAD training computer for the dispatch center from Dell Inc. One Dell Way, Round Rock, TX 48682 in the amount of \$2800. (Cost Center P00049 0192 0000). Motion carried by all members present. OTHER: Treasurer Kirchgatter stated the June 20, 2006 Board Study Session is cancelled. The next Board Meeting will be June 27. 2006 at 7:00 p.m. at the Administration Building, first floor, Board Room, 1150 Canton Center S. Canton, MI, 48188. Treasurer Kirchgatter stated the Liberty Fest will begin Thursday, June 15, 2006 through Sunday, June 18, 2006. A list of all schedule activities are posted on the Canton website; www.canton-mi.org. Treasurer Kirchgatter stated there will be a Special Board Meeting scheduled for Thursday, June 15, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, First floor, Board Room, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan 48188. The agenda item is to approve support of the move the barn campaign. ADJOURN: Motion by Zarbo, supported by McLaughlin to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Motion carried by all members present. - Thomas J. Yack, Supervisor - Terry G. Bennett, Clerk -

Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48188, during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site <u>www.canton-mi.org</u> after Board Approval.

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UAW's Gettelfinger receives United Way award

Ron Gettelfinger, president, International Union, United Auto Workers, has been awarded the Joseph A. Beirne Community Service Award by United Way of America.

The award is given each year by United Way of America in recognition of a labor leader who has rendered outstanding volunteer service to United Way. The award was presented to Gettelfinger at the 34th annual UAW Constitutional Convention in Las Vegas. Gettelfinger was reelected UAW president at the recent convention.

"Ron exemplifies the spirit and intent of this award," said Michael J. Brennan, president and CEO, United Way for Southeastern Michigan. "He is a highly principled, dedicated champion for the rights of others. Driven by serving others, he genuinely wants to make an impact on people's lives and does. "We

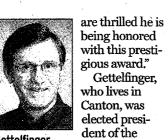
State holds contest on replacement for bridge plate

Residents have a chance to make their mark on Michigan's automotive heritage by participating in the 2006 License Plate Design Challenge.

A new graphic design will replace the Great Lakes Splendor version, commonly called the "bridge" plate for its depiction of the Mackinac Bridge. New sales of the Great Lakes Splendor design will cease next year, though motorists who already have that plate may continue renewing it if they wish.

"Michiganians love their state and adore their cars," said Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land. "We're encouraging everyone to show their pride in both by helping to refresh our license plate design. This is a great way to capture the essence of Michigan for the world to see. We're excited to tap the energy and creativity of all who are proud to call Michigan home."

Land, along with a panel of



Gettelfinger dent of the UAW in 2002. Prior to that he

served as vice president of the UAW and directed the UAW Aerospace and National Ford departments. For six years, he served as the UAW Region 3 director, serving the UAW membership in Indiana and Kentucky. He has been a member of UAW Local 862 at the Ford Assembly Plant in Louisville, Ky., since 1964, and is a chassis line repairman by trade.

His involvement with United Way is extensive, dating back more than 30 years. In metro Detroit, he served as the general chair of the 2004 United Way Torch Drive, helping the organization reach its campaign goal of \$64.5 million.

As part of United Way's Days of Caring, 40 wheelchair ramps were built to celebrate the kickoff of the 2004 campaign. Gettelfinger personally visited most of the sites and pitched in to help where needed, motivating the more than 1,000 people that came out to volunteer. He also serves on United Way's Board of Directors. In addition to his service to United Way, Gettelfinger has been involved with the March of Dimes, serving as honorary chair of the organization's Walk America in 2004. That year, the event raised more than \$3 million and is considered one of the most successful in Walk America history. He agreed to serve as honorary chair again in 2005.

The Joseph A. Beirne Community Services Award was established in 1974 and honors the memory of Beirne, the first president of the

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Communications Workers of America and first labor representative to serve as the president of United Community Funds and Councils of America (now United Way of America).

Presented annually, the award recognizes those labor leaders who have rendered outstanding volunteer service to the United Way movement.



judges, will determine which design – or combination themes – is incorporated onto the new plate. The Challenge is open to all Michigan residents except the judges and their immediate families.

The deadline for submissions is midnight on June 23. Entry forms are available at www.Michigan.gov/sos and at all Secretary of State offices. Forms are being sent to public and private schools and homeschooled organizations to encourage student participation.

The new plate goes on sale Jan. 1, 2007. As is the case with the Great Lakes Splendor plate, it will be available as an alternative to Michigan's standard plate for an additional \$5.

The standard plate, known as "Old Blue," also is being redesigned with a new look and enhanced features. It will be unveiled shortly. That update makes this an ideal time to revisit the design of the state's graphic plate, Land said.

The Great Lakes Splendor plate has been serving motorists since January 1997. It features a striking sunrise over the Straits of Mackinac with the Mackinac Bridge in the foreground.

More than 4.8 million Great Lakes Splendor plates have been sold and renewed for passenger and commercial vehicles, motorcycles and trailers. Great Lakes Splendor plates are not longer available for trailers since the state began issuing permanent trailer plates in October 2003.

Find out more about all Michigan plates, including fund-raising and special-cause plates by visiting www.Michigan.gov/sos. Visitors can check the availability of a personalized plate by using the Department of State's online Plate It Your Way service.s

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Reduction in state's workforce drives down jobless rate Employers

Michigan's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in May fell by one and two-tenths of a percentage point to 6 percent from April's 7.2 percent, according to data released Thursday by the Michigan Department of Labor & Economic Growth (DLEG). After several months of a labor force build up, May labor force and unemployment levels returned close to January 2006 levels. Employment edged down over the month by 4,000.

Michigan's May 2006 jobless rate decreased by eighttenths of a percentage point from the state's May 2005 rate of 6.8 percent.

"The drop in the state unemployment rate in May was due to fewer residents in the state job market, as total employment was little changed," said Rick Waclawek, director of DLEG's Bureau of Labor Market Information and Strategic Initiatives. "Labor force levels can fluctu-

ate significantly from month to month. At times a longerterm view can be a better indicator in assessing labor force levels. In this case, employment and unemployment levels in May were very similar to January totals."

Michigan's May jobless rate was just below the 6.2 percent rate recorded in January.

Total employment levels have been steady throughout 2006.

After several months of a labor force build up. May labor force and unemployment levels returned close to January 2006 levels.

The increased Michigan jobless rates from February-April 2006 were primarily due to labor market entry, whereas May's jobless rate drop was caused by labor market withdrawal. From May 2005 to May

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2006, Michigan's workforce declined slightly by 12,000 or 0.2 percent.

The national jobless rate declined by one-tenth of a percentage point over the month to 4.6 percent in May.

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are urged to curtail health care costs -

> BY ALEX LUNDBERG STAFF WRITER

Health care costs are rising, putting pressure on corporate bottom lines from automakers to real estate offices.

According to one health care expert, it's now time for employers to take a more active role in keeping those costs down.

Dr. Dee Edington, Ph.D., a professor of kinesiology with the University of Michigan and a member of the Michigan Business School's Executive Education Program, told attendees at a recent Birmingham/Bloomfield Chamber forecast luncheon that the focus of health care



for businesses has to be about keeping people healthy and not so much about healing them when they're sick. In a nut-

Edington

Edington's point was fairly simple: Companies need to take it on themselves to reduce health care costs.

shell,

"There's no reason to be happy with health care costs making a 10 percent increase," he said. "To change this, employers are going to have to be the drivers."

He said domestic business complaints about foreign companies benefiting from state-run health care aren't valid as countries like Canada and the U.K. are going broke on their health systems. It's wrong, he said, to think about the issue from a health care standpoint.

"This is not about health, it's about economics," Edington said. "It's not about healthy people, it's about productive people."

He made an analogy to the old way of doing business where when a customer who bought your toaster complained, you sent them a new toaster rather than fix the design. Now, companies will fix the system that created the defective product and it's time to apply the same thinking to health care. Companies, he said, have to start looking at their low-risk (healthy habit oriented) employees as economic solutions to the health care problem. It's the high-risk employees who cost the most money. "People who are low-risk are your market share," Edington said. "What are you going to do to drive that market share to 75 percent?" He said companies need to 11 do more to reward employees. who take care of their health 410 because they're the ones who are the key to keeping the price low. **Bloomfield Hills resident** Bruce Kridler asked if solutions like penalizing or firing smokers was a good idea. "In those cases you lose more than you gain. You lose strategy and knowledge when you do that," Edington said. "It's the right idea but I'm not . S. G. sure it's the right approach." 14 It's wrong to think that the 11 government is ever going to change policy as regards tobacco, he said. Tobacco's legality centers around economics and not health, he said, "and economics will always trump health." He also said companies can't expect doctors to change the equation either because their paychecks are directly linked to caring for the ill rather than maintaining the healthy. **Chamber President Pamela** Iacobelli said the idea of a health care forecast lunch is a first for them. "We're probably going to keep this one," she said. "There's a constant rise in health care costs and we saw the importance of putting this program together."



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7:30 p.m. Friday, June 16, to sponsor

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35475 Five Mile, Livonia, Call (248)

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peer support to the divorced and sep-

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a Catholic organization to provide

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Sacred music by the High School

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For Bethany Suburban West, a Catholic

organization providing peer support

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ed, divorced and singles welcome. Call

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BETTY J. GUMLEY

Age 81, June 20, 2006. Beloved Wife James for 55 years. Loving Mother of Roger (Amy) Gumley and Barry (Chris) Gumley, Dear Sister of Charlotte (Clayton) Hartman and Harry (Claradelle) Shedd. Memorial Service Friday, June 23, 2006, 2:00 p.m. at THAYER-ROCK FUNERAL HOME, 33603 Grand River Ave. lowntown Farmington (1 blk. W. of Farmington Rd).

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CHARLES "Win" SNIDER Age 91, of Rochester Hills (formerly of Bloomfield Hills), June 16, 2006 Beloved husband of the late Esther. loving father of Judy (Geoff) Walnut Dettlinger of Creek California; Jim (Marilyn) Snider of Clarkston, and Sally (Mikie) Janz of Plymouth. Charles is also survived by 7 grandchildren and 2 great-grand-children. A private family memorial service will be held at a later date. Arrangements entrusted to Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors, Bossardet Chapel, Oxford. Memorials in memory of his loving wife, Esther, may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

ROGER GRZYMALA October 7, 1943 June 17, 2006

Loving and devoted husband of Stella Dearest dad of Stephanie (Mark) LeBeau and Jennifer Grzymala Cherished Papa (Grandpa) of Shane. Ashten, and Dakota. Dear brother of Ronald (Rita) Grzymala, Robert (Mary Jane) Grzymala, step-brother Jerome (Kathy) Davis, step-sisters Ester Jajuga and Geraldine Whaley, sisterslaw Julie (Larry) Kwiatkowski, Gail Schnorberger, and Mary (Rick) Stone. Dear brother-in-law and cousin to Reginald (Toni) Rumpz. Also survived by many nieces and nephews, family, and many, many friends. Roger was born in Detroit and worked very hard as a skilled tradesman for 30 years at Motors Willow General Run Powertrain. He was loved by all and made the world shine. Prayers are very much appreciated - especially for Stella who is still hospitalized. Funeral and memorial arrangements will be forthcoming.



MAJORIE M. BIRK

June 16, 2006, age 80, of Garden City. Beloved wife of the late Bernard Birk. Dear mother of Patricia (Elmer) Miller, Alice (the late Eugene) Sadler and the late Diane. Sister of Edith Spaulding and Arthur Williams Grandmother of 5. Great grandmother of 9. Services were held at the Uht Westland, Funeral Home, or Wednesday, June 21, 2006 with Rev. Roy Forsyth officiating. Burial was at Oakland Hills Cemetery, Novi. Please visit and post a tribute at

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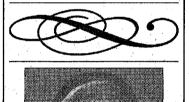
VERONICA LOOK

Age 84, June 18, 2006. Beloved wife of the late Robert. Loving mother of Sheila (William) Schrag, Stacey (Douglas Zang) and Sherri (Leo Slatin) Look. Dear grandmother of Joy, Robert, Jerémy, and William II Great-grandmother of Angel, Jeffrey and Samantha. Sister of Mary Spence and Gertrude Hagopian. A private committal service was held at Cadillac Memorial Gardens Cemetery Westland. R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home (734) 425-9200, in charge of arrangements. Please sign the online guest book @ www.rggrharris.com.



DONALD J. HANEY

June 17, 2006. Age 75, of Fort Meyers, FL formerly of Plymouth. Mr. Haney was the former wrestling coach at Wayne Memorial High School. Beloved husband of Marian Dear father of Dawn (Hal) Cardwell Scott, Donald (Brenda) Bullard, John (Liz) Bullard, Sheri (Dave) Savchetz & the late Norma Jean Hemingway Brother of Annabelle Severine Robert (Marne), Peggy Nauman & the late Patrick. Also survived by 7 grandchildren & 3 great grandchil-dren. Funeral Friday 10 AM at the Uht Funeral Home 35400 Glenwood Rd., Westland. Family will receive friends Wed. 3-9 PM & Thur. 12-9 PM. Please visit and sign a tribute at www.uhtfuneralhome.com.



DOROTHY (OROFINO) PIKE

Age: 73, formerly of Farmington Hills, passed away June 1, 2006 in Lake Zurich, Il. Leaving her husband, Bob, four children, seven grandchildren, two brothers and two sisters She will be missed by all. Memorial service was held in Lake Zurich, IL.

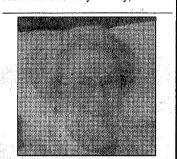
June 12, 2006 of Ft. Myers, Florida and Plymouth, Michigan. Husband of the late Jean Scott, and Veda Lucas. Dear father of Karlyn Haack, Richard (Dorota) Kniep, and the late Butch. grandfather of Jeff and Mike (Tonia) zabo, Jason, Chelsea and Lucas Kneip. Great Grandfather of Aimee, Angela, and Ashlee Szabo. Stepfather of Jaoanne, Darlene, Sonny, Allen and the late Barbara Lucas. Memorial Services Friday 3:30 pm at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, 34567 Michigan Ave. Wayne. Family will receive visitors from 1:30-3:30pm.

ARTHUR L. TATRO

Age 83, June 19, 2006. Beloved husband of the late Rosemary. Loving father of Larry (Tracey), Linda (Daryl) Wilson, Mark (Renee), Marilyn (Gary) Yarbrough, Paul (Pam), Steve (Linda) Loretta Horner, Dave (Edith), Gerald (Sue), Janice (Mike) McKinley, Jim Gina), and Bob (Diane). Proud grandfather of 30 and great-grandfather of 4. Dear brother of Murlin and Elayne Walker. Funeral Thursday, instate 9:30am, Mass 10am, from St. Raphael Catholic Church. Arrangements by McCabe Funeral Home, Canton,

CLARK A. FRY

Of Waterford, MI. Age 48, died June ment will be private in White Chapel Memorial Cemetery of Troy, MI



RELIGION CALENDAR

Poetry reading/book signing

With Rev. David Strong, Mary Ann Wehler and Vievee Francis 2-4 p.m. Saturday, June 24, at Central United Methodist Church, 23 E. Adams, Detroit. Call (313) 963-7575. Worship schedule

New schedule continues to Sept. 3, 10:30 a.m. Sunday summer worship, coffee hour follows in Fellowship Hall, Sunday school has been canceled for the summer, nursery is still available for infant through 2-years old, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, between Middlebelt and Merriman, Livonia. Call (734) 422-6038.

TOPS

Stands for Take Off Pounds Sensibly, the group meets 7 p.m. every Thursday evening at St. Thomas A' Becket Church, 555 S. Lilley Road, Canton. Weigh in is from 6:15 p.m. to 6:55 p.m. We are a weight support group that encourages members to lose weight sensibly and keep it off. For more information, call Mary at (734) 394-1328. SonTreasure Island

6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 26-30, Family Fun Night 6:30 p.m. June 30, at Bethel Baptist Temple, 29475 Six Mile, Livonia. (734) 525-3664.

Treasure seekers

Exploring God's Promise is the theme of the Vacation Bible School 5:30-8:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday, June 26-29, each day children take part in an actual dig and find treasures that remind them of the Bible story and God's promise for that day, at Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt, south of Ford Road. To reg-

ister, call (734) 421-7620. **Vacation Bible School**

Treasure Cove theme 9:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 26-30, for ages 3-11, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. No charge. Call (734) 427-1414 or visit www.holycrosslivonia.org

The church's summer worship schedule continues to Sept. 3, with a Family Service at 8:30 a.m., Traditional Service at 10 a.m., both with Communion, Adult Study following at 11:15 am, from June 4 to Aug. 27 Wednesday Evening Service at 7:00 p.m., informal setting with Communion.

Murder mystery dinner

Death in Them Thar Hills, an evening of suspense, laughter and a delicious meal 6:30 p.m. Friday, June 30, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville. Tickets \$15, and must be purchased in advance. Call Ca. at (248) 374-5920.

Scripture studies

7-8:30 p.m. Mondays in the lower level of Our Lady of Loretto Church, Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford. Call (313) 534-9000.

Fall registration

Spiritus Sanctus Academy is accept

enth grade, meet new friends, bring old friends, games, ice cream, make no-sew blankets for charity 7-10 p.m. Friday, July 21, at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. RSVP to (734) 425-9333.

Vacation Bible school

For ages 4-12, kids travel to Mexico, Brazil, Poland, China and Kenya to trade places with children from other countries and learn about Biblical heroes who traded one place in life for another 6:30-9 p.m. Monday-Friday, Aug. 7-11, at Redford Aldersgate United Methodist Church. 10000 Beech Daly, between Plymouth and W. Chicago. Call (313) 937-3170 to pre-register.

Crafters wanted

For the St. Thomas a'Becket Church

Christmas Craft Show to be held 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2, at 555. S. Lilley Road, Canton. The church is now accepting applications for handmade crafts only. Call (734) 981-1333.

ONGOING

Learner's Bible study

7 p.m. Mondays, in Room A101, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville. Call (248) 374-5920.

Church service

Loving God by loving people, meets 10 a.m. Sunday, at Westwood Community Church, 1119 Newburgh, Westland. Doughnuts and coffee served. Call (734) 254-0093.

Bible study

Two classes meet 10 a.m. to noon the first and third Wednesdays, and 7-9 p.m. the first and third Thursdays, at St. Michael's Catholic Church, on Plymouth at Hubbard, Livonia. The Wednesday group is studying Women of Courage in the Bible. The Thursday session is read; ing the Letters of St. Paul from prison. Based on Little Rock Scripture Series. Call (734) 261-1455.

School registration

Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran School is accepting applications for grades PK-8 for the 2006-2007 school year, at 9600 Leverne, Redford. After school care 3-6. p.m. Call (734) 937-2233 for information Bible study

Classes 9:30 a.m. Sunday, and 7 p.m. Wednesday, at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990. On Sunday Family Worship begins at 10:45 a.m.

Purpose Driven Life

Members, friends and neighbors of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Northville will be studying the best selling book The Purpose Driven Life by Rick Warren dur ing Lent. Small groups will meet at homes in Livonia, Plymouth, Canton, Northville, Novi and South Lyon on Wednesday evenings during Lent. All faiths are welcome. Call (248) 349-3140 for more information.

Senior activities

Gathering for seniors 50 years and older 11:30 a.m. on the third Friday of every month at Riverside Park Church of God, II/ (I Newburgh at Plymouth, Livonia. Any questions, call (734) 464-0990. Put together a salad dish and come out and meet other seniors. First we enjoy a wonderful lunch together then we fellowship with some games and stories.

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18, 2006. He was born on November 19, 1957 in Grant, MI. He died of long illness in North Oakland Medical Center. Beloved husband of Mary A. Jones (Fry). Loving father of Lauren and Morgan. Surviving sister and Brother are Jennifer Fry and Grant Fry of Lake Orion. Beloved son of Bernona Fry of Auburn Hills. Clark worked as a Mortage Loan Officer. He graduated from White Cloud High School and a graduate of Alma College in 1979. He has a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry. He was a mem-ber and Deacon of first Presbyterian Church choir of Birmingham and member of the 1st theater Guild. Visitation, Wm. R. Hamilton Co., 820 E. Maple Rd., Birmingham, Tuesday, 2 to 4:00 PM and 6 to 8 PM. Funeral Mass, First Presbyterian Church , 1669 W. Maple, Birmingham., Wednesday, June 21st. at 2:00 PM. Memorial tributes may be made to: An Education Fund/ c/o Grant Fry / 583 Shady Oaks; Lake Orion, MI 48362. The officiating Clergyman is Reverend Mary E. Austin. The inter-

Cremation has taken place CARL N. KNEIP



ELAINE ANN HAGERMAN Beloved mother of Douglas (Diane), Stephen (Lisa), Dodie MacAuley (Jan), Amy Anstett and the late Timothy. Grandmother of Holly, Andrea and Stephen Hagerman, Kaitlyn and Patrick MacAuley, Bret and Cooper Anstett. Great grandmother of Andrew Oen. Sister of Gloria Van Duyne (Erick). Mother-in-law of David Anstett and Sally Hagerman. Funeral service was Wednesday at St. James Episcopal Church, Birmingham. Memorial tributes to St. James Episcopal Church or Michigan Animal Rescue League, 790 Featherstone, Pontiac, MI 48342. It was with a pas-sion and energy that she lived her life by immersing herself with family, friends and chosen activities, and there were many. Elaine's personal journey came to a gentle close Sunday, June 18, 2006 after losing a struggle with recent multiple health complications at the age of 77. Elaine was born in Flint, Michigan in 1929 to a Flint builder and businessman Ivan MacArthur and his wife Florence. She lost her birth mother when she was five and came to idolize the success of her conservative father and the musical talents of her step-mother, Dorothy MacArthur, who adopted her along with her sister Gloria. After graduating from Flint Central High School, Elaine completed her college education at Western Michigan University and was a member of Delta Zeta sorority. Elaine was married and settled in Birmingham, Michigan. She was fully engaged in the educational and sports activities of children attending four Birmingham Public Schools. Elaine and her family were active members of St. James Episcopal Church in Birmingham, where she was part of the St. Catherine's Guild. Most recently, Elaine was a regular volunteer at Wm. Beaumont Hospital. Sports and music were the life blood of Elaine's social life. If she wasn't attending one of her children's and then grandchildren's many sporting events, she was singing along with Frank Sinatra and the Rat Pack. Her home was impeccable and she had the highest expectations for her family. Elaine was a strong mother who also filled in as a father figure. She was a friend to not only her family but to all of those children and familles whom she had known throughout her life. This was a woman who took life in her own hands and participated to its fullest as a Piston and Lions season ticket holder experiencing the thrill of victory and agony of defeat. "She was a fan to everyone who knew her.'

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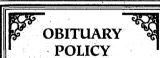
Sister of Mercy, Educator, Pastoral Minister

(Farmington Hills, MI) – Sister Eleanor Marie Roberts, age 87, died at McAuley Retirement Center on June 18, 2006. She was a Sister of Mercy for 71 years. She was born to Edward and Mollie (Reaume) Roberts on May 31, 1919 in Bay City, Michigan, and named Eleanor Margaret. She joined the Sisters of Mercy in Dubuque, Iowa in 1935 and was given the name Sister Mary Ralph. She made perpetual vows on August 16, 1941. Sister Eleanor Marie earned a bachelor's degree from Mercy College of Detroit and a Master's in Religious Education from Aquinas College in Grand Rapids Michigan. She also attended Our Lady of Cincinnati College, St. Xavier College in Chicago, and the University of Detroit. Sister Eleanor Marie's ministry as an elementary teacher and principal took her to Remus, Midland, Hazel Park, Cheboygan, Hemlock Ludington, Grand Rapids, Traverse City, Bay City, Big Rapids and Saginaw, Michigan and to Independence, Iowa. She also served as Director of Religious Education at some of the schools. She began her ministry as a Pastoral Minister in 1979 and worked at St: Francis Parish in Holland, Michigan and at St. Mary's Parish and the Cheboygan Catholic Community in Cheboygan, Michigan. She also assisted in Pastoral Ministry at Mercy Hospital in Grayling, Michigan. In 1994, she retired to a life of prayer at McAuley Center. Sister Eleanor Marie is remembered as an excellent teacher, cooperative princi-pal and invaluable community member. Her loves were children, the elderly and nature, all of which reflected God to her in some special manner. Her last years were difficult, but she will always be remembered for her sweetness and patience. She is said to have never been uncharitable in word or deed. Sister Eleanor Marie is survived by three sisters: Betty LaMere of Prescott, Lorraine Shook of Bay City, and Patricia Kirkhoffer of Bay City; by many nieces and nephews; and by the members of her religious community. She was preceded in death by her sisters, Marion Roberts and Marie Fekas. A welcoming service was held at McAuley Center, 28750 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills on June 20, 2006 at 3 pm, with a prayer vigil at 7 pm. The Mass of Resurrection was held at McAuley Center on June 21, 2006 at 10 am. Burial at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. McCabe Funeral Home, Farmington Hills is in charge of arrangements. Memorial donations may be made to the Mercy Ministry Fund, 29000 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48336-1405.

ELIZABETH "BETTY" CURRIER

June 19, 2006 Age 86 Wife of the Dear mother of Ann late Jack. Riemer (Mark), John J. Currier (Jan), Mary Moore (Bill), and Patrick Currier (Cindy). Grandmother of Mark and Megan Riemer, Leslie Coleman (Jason), Patrick and Molly Moore, Kaitland and Mary Currier. Great grandmother of Lilly. Sister of Theresa Hall and Patricia Giroux. Retired teacher, St. Hugo of the Hills School. Family will receive friends at A.J. Desmond & Sons (Vasu, Rodgers & Connell Chapel), 32515 Woodward Ave. (btwn 13-14 Mile) Thursday, 2:00-8:00pm. Prayer service Thursday evening. Funeral Mass Friday, 11:00am, at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, 32340 Pierce, Beverly Hills. Visitation begins at church, 10:30am. Memorial tributes to Poor Clare Sisters, Monastery of the Blessed Sacrament, 3501 Rocky River Dr., Cleveland, Ohio 44111-2998

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Plymouth. Call (734) 459-9550. Also featuring Vacation Bible Extended Day Camp program June 19-23, kids can come as early as 8 a.m., attend VBS, then enjoy a fun filled day with a camp atmosphere with licensed directors noon till 5 p.m. (can stay as late as 6 p.m.). Cost is \$95, advance registration only.

Vacation Bible School

Where adventure meets courage 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 19-23, for students entering kindergarten through entering seventh grade, inflatables, crafts and loads of arctic adventures, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile. Northville. No charge. Call (248) 374-5975.

Holy Land adventure

Jerusalem Marketplace: Where Jesus Walked to the Cross, is the theme of this year's Vacation Bible School 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 19-23, at Memorial Church of Christ, 35475 Five Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 464-6722. **Treasure Cove**

Vacation Bible School, vest treasure hunt ever for ages 3 to sixth grade, Bible stories, songs, games, crafts, and snacks (students 7th through 12th grade will enjoy being treasure seekers) 6-8:40 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 19-23, at Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church, 9600 Leverne, north of W. Chicago, east of Inkster, Redford. Register in advance and receive a VBS music CD. Adult helpers welcome. For more information, call (734) 591-6367 or (734) 422-3536.

Academy benefit

Golf outing and dinner/auction event Friday, June 23, shotgun scramble tournament begins at 11 a.m., followed by 5 p.m. awards party, and 6 p.m. strolling supper and silent and live auctions, At the Inn at St. John's, 44045 Five Mile, Plymouth. Call (734) 996-3855. To benefit the Spiritus Sanctus Academies.

Lighthouse cafe 7-10 p.m. Friday, June 23, in Knox Hall

at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville. Cost is \$5. Call (248) 374-5920. **Bicycling group** 10 a.m. Saturday, June 24, at Kensington Metro Park, exit 153 off I-

96. Single Point bike rides are geared to the tourist level rider but riders of all ability levels are welcome. All riders must wear a helmet. For more information, call Ward Presbyterian Church at (248) 374-5920.

ing registration for fall for its academies in Plymouth and Ann Arbor. The private, Catholic schools grades K-8, are run by the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist at 10450 Joy Road, Plymouth, call (734) 414-8430, and 4101 East Joy Road, Ann Arbor, call (734) 996-3855.

UPCOMING

Bicycling group

10 a.m. Saturday, July 1, at Newburgh Point, Hines Drive, west of Newburgh, Westland. Single Point bike rides are geared to the tourist level rider but riders of all ability levels are welcome. All riders must wear a helmet. For more information, call Ward Presbyterian Church at (248) 374-5920. Holiday picnic

Noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday, July 4, at Rotary Park, Tickets \$5 adults, \$2 children under age 12, includes hamburgers and hot dogs (12:30-2 p.m.) and beverages. Please bring a dish to pass. No alcohol or gambling. Presented by Single Point Ministries at Ward Presbyterian Church. Call (248) 374-5920.

Meditation classes

Begins 7-9 p.m. Monday, July 10, 2006, and continues to Aug. 7, Elizabeth Cleeland will lead the class on various meditation practices at Renaissance Unity, 11200 E. Eleven Mile-Road, Warren. No pre-registration necessary. A free-will offering will be taken at each class. For more information, call (586) 353-2300, or visit www.renaissanceunity.org.

Bible and playtime

For moms and tots 10-11 a.m. Wednesdays beginning July 12, at Vineyard Church of Farmington Hills 29200 Shiawasee (by Middlebelt and 9 mile). No charge. For information, call (248) 766-0143.

Blood drive

8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sunday, July 16, at St. Edith Catholic Church, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. Walk-ins welcome. Call (734) 464-1222, ext. 309.

Vacation Bible School

Fiesta: Where kids are fired up about Jesus 9 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, July 17-21, at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia. Cost is \$18 for first child, \$15 each additional child. Call (734) 464-0211. Free event

For students entering fifth through sev-

Bible study groups

The Wednesday group meets 10 a.m. to noon on the first and third Wednesday of each month, the Thursday group 7-9 p.m. on the first and third Thursday of., each month in the rectory at St. Michael's the Archangel Catholic Church, Plymouth and Hubbard, Livonia. The Wednesday group is studying Women of Courage in the Bible, the Thursday group The Letters of St. Paul from Prison. Classes are small and informal and based on the Little Rock Scripture Series, For information, call (734) 261-1455.

Church activities

St. James Presbyterian Church offers a Wednesday luncheon every other Wednesday at noon; Thursday dinner at 6 p.m. for \$4 followed by Bible study at, 7 p.m. and Chancel Choir rehearsal at 8 p.m.; Thrift store is open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Saturday; 10 a.m. women's study group second Saturday of the month, and Sunday worship at 10 a.m. (nursery available) and children's class at 10:15 a.m., at 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Call (313) 534-7730.

Scripture from scratch

No previous Bible study required, began 9:30-11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 31, at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington, Livonia. The units include the New Testament (April 11, 18, 25 and May 2, and Gospels (May 16, 23, 30 and June 6). Each session includes video presentation, small and large group discussions. To register, call (734) 425-5950.

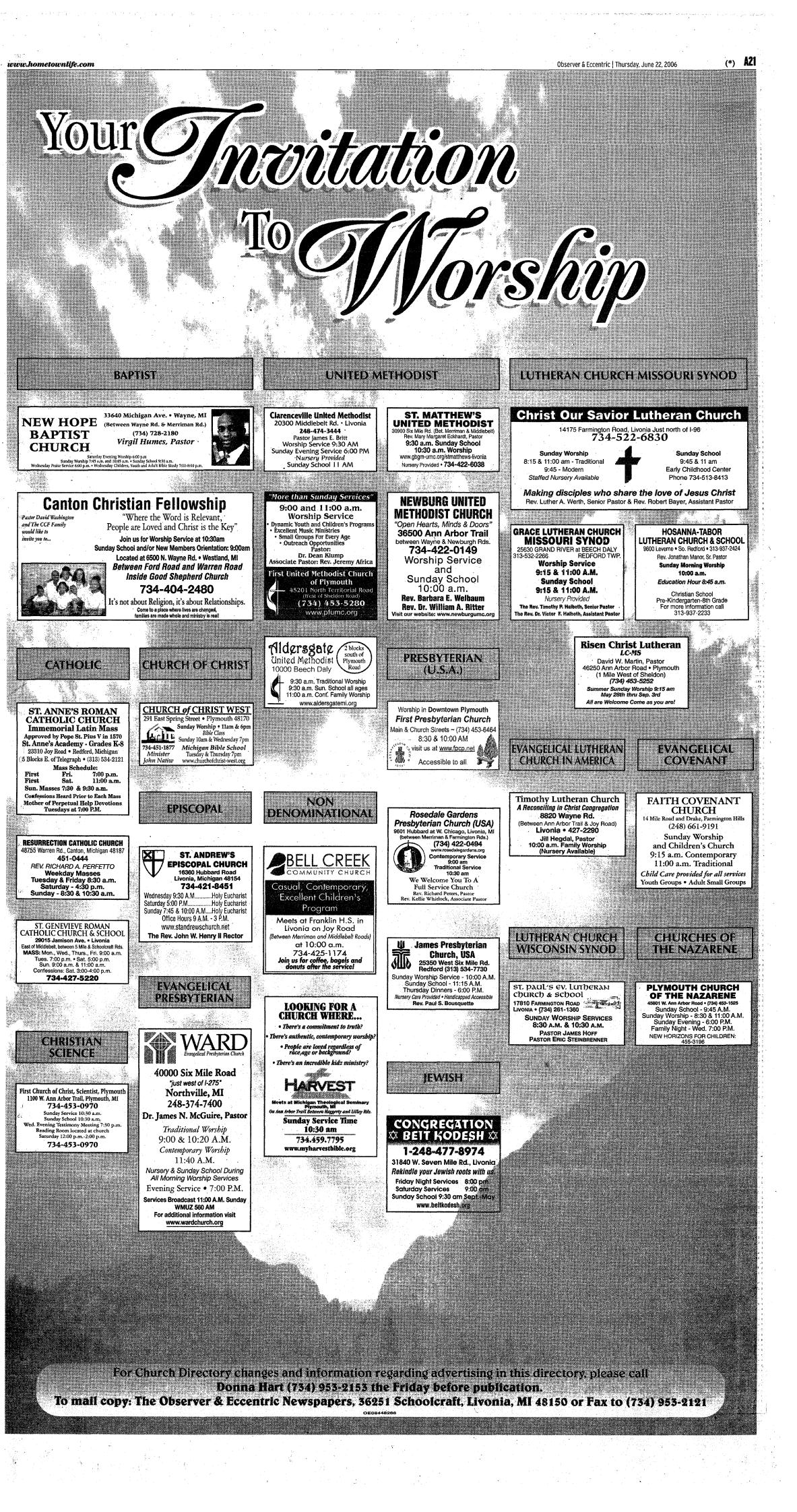
Kabbalah classes

Presented by the Sara Tugman Bais Chabad Torah Center, the classes began 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 8, and 8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 11, at 5595 W. Maple, West Bloomfield. The classes are open for both beginners and more advanced students. Call (248) 855-6170, Ext. 1, or send e-mail to BCTC770@aol.com.

Eucharistic adoration

The monthly program of Parish Prayers and Eucharistic Adoration continues of Plymouth and Hubbard roads. The church will open for worship from 10 a.m. until the 7 p.m. Benediction serve ice. For information, call (734) 261-5331.

will be placed in the next available issue. For more information call:



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Don't spend July 4 in an emergency room

What would the Fourth of July be without fireworks? A little less busy in hospital emergency rooms. Each year nearly 10,000 fireworks-related injuries are seen in the nation's emergency rooms, with nearly half of the injured being children. The American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) is urging everyone to be extremely careful with fireworks this 4th of July, and reminding patriotic celebrants that there is no such thing as completely "safe" fireworks.

"I think the safest and best way to enjoy the 4th is to watch a professional display," said Dr. Rick Blum, president of ACEP.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission reported eight people died and 9,600 were injured in 2004 due to incidents involving fireworks. More than twothirds of those fireworks injuries occurred between June 19 and July 19. Most of the injuries involved burns, with hands and eyes being the most common parts of the body injured.

If fireworks are legal in your community, ACEP

strongly suggests you do not use fireworks at your home. If you do use fireworks, however, these do's and don'ts will help make it a safer experience. Do:

Buy fireworks from reputable dealers

Read warning labels and follow all instructions Keep a bucket of water or fire extinguisher on hand Light fireworks one at a

time Dispose of all fireworks properly

Don't: Give any fireworks. including sparklers, to small children; older children should be supervised by an adult

Light fireworks indoors or near other objects.

Wear loose clothing while using any fireworks

Set off fireworks in glass or metal containers - the fragments can cause severe injury

Try to relight or handle malfunctioning fireworks ACEP is a national medical specialty society repre-

senting emergency medicine with more than 23,000 members.

Fireworks VIP event raises money for parade

This summer Detroiters and visitors alike can take part in one of Detroit's favorite traditions - the Target Fireworks and International Freedom Festival. Families will be able to enjoy the AM 910 Radio **Disney Rhythms and Rhymes** from the Hart in Hart Plaza 3-9 p.m. Wednesday, June 28. The fireworks will begin at 10:06 p.m.

Rhythms and Rhymes is a family festival that focuses on literacy, music and family-fun entertainment sponsored by Comcast, Charter One Bank, **Big Boy Restaurants, Detroit** Lions Charities and Belle Tire.

The Target Fireworks will showcase more than 10,000 pyrotechnic efforts that can be viewed for miles along the **Detroit International** Riverfront.

Rhythms and Rhymes and the Target Fireworks are free family events.

The best seats in Detroit to view the Target Fireworks are at the Official VIP Rooftop Party sponsored by Target, General Motors, Charter One Bank and the Michigan Lottery. The Rooftop Party is the premier VIP party for the Fireworks.

The Official VIP Rooftop Party will feature entertain-



The annual Freedom Festival fireworks display over the Detroit River, celebrating Canada Day and Independence Day.

ment, food, games and activities for children and summertime fun for all. WDIV-TV Local 4 and News /Talk 760

WJR will broadcast live from the party. The Official VIP Rooftop Party is one of the major fund-raisers for the

Michigan Thanksgiving Parade Foundation, which governs The Parade Company.

The Official VIP Rooftop Party (a major fund-raiser for The Michigan Thanksgiving Parade Foundation) is 6-11 p.m. at the Miller Parking Garage, just west of the Renaissance Center, Downtown Detroit

Tickets to the Official VIP Rooftop Party are available for \$175. For more information on how to purchase tickets, please call (313) 432-7831 or visit www.theparade.org.

Founded in 1984, The Parade Company is a not-forprofit organization governed by the Michigan Thanksgiving Parade Foundation whose board of directors is comprised of key civic and corporate leaders in the greater Detroit region. The mission is to fund, create and execute the best family events in metro Detroit. The Parade Company staff, the board of directors and thousands of parade volunteers work year-round to bring a wide variety of magnificent events to the City of Detroit each year including the International Freedom Festival and Target Fireworks and America's Thanksgiving Parade.







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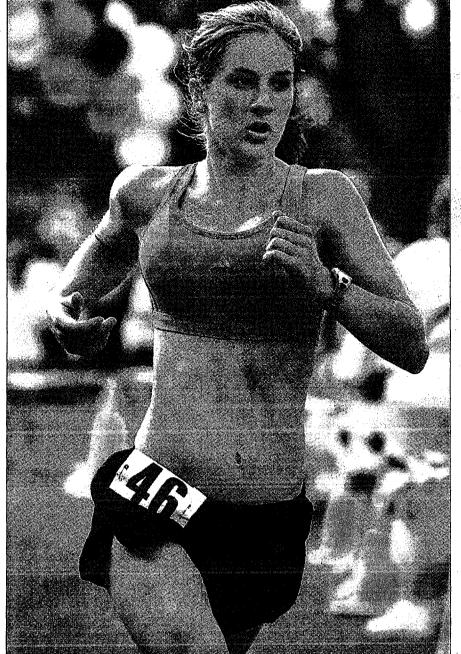


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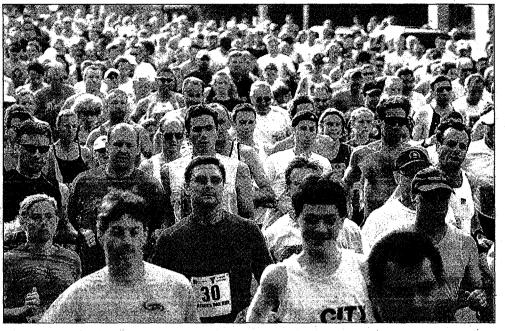


2006 YMCA Father's Day Run



PHOTOS BY ANDY RUBENSTEIN

Rebekah Smeltzer, a 17-year-old high school student from Monroe, placed first in the triple event at the 27th Annual Plymouth YMCA's Father's Day Run Sunday in downtown Plymouth.



More than 1,500 runners competed in Sunday's 27th Annual Plymouth YMCA Father's Day Run, which wound through the streets of downtown Plymouth.

Daddy of all 10Ks Annual Father's Day Run draws 1,500 to downtown Plymouth

See complete Father's Day Run results on Page B4.

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

Judging by the ever-increasing popularity of the Plymouth YMCA Father's Day Run, running shoes may soon supplant gaudy neckties and off-color golf shirts on the list of favorite Father's Day gifts.

More than 1,500 runners – ranging in age from 8 months to 80 – competed in everything from the 20-foot diaper dash to the 10-kilometer run in Sunday's races, which were run through the treelined streets of downtown Plymouth. "This has really become a tradition for a lot of families," said Cindy Morency, the business manager for the Plymouth YMCA. "It's also a community event. You see a lot of people coming out of the their houses along the course giving water to the runners. Sunday was a great day all around and the weather was perfect, too." Variety is not only the spice of life – it's

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Soccer workouts

The Salem boys soccer team will begin optional summer conditioning sessions soon for all players who plan on playing on one of the Rocks' three teams in the fall. Sessions will begin 6-8 p.m. July 5 and continue every Monday, Wednesday and Friday through July 21. The workouts will be held in front of Canton High School's Phase III facility. Players should bring soccer shoes, shin guards

and water. Contact Salem soccer coach Ed McCarthy at (248) 561-2846.

Canton X-country

Nonmandatory summer conditioning sessions have begun for anyone interested in trying out for the Canton boys cross country team in the fall. The team will meet at 8 a.m. on weekday mornings outside Canton High School's Phase III facility.

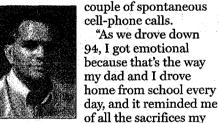
For more information. contact one of the team's captains: David Catalan at (734) 455-3045, Derek Hoerman at (734) 54-5746 or A McClellan at (734) 981-7438. Interested participants are encouraged to send an e-mail to mcclellan1982@wowway.com with their name, phone number and e-mail address so that they can be kept updated on any changes to the summer running schedule.

Perfect fit: Osburn goes 39-0 at Cabrini

s the Allen Park Cabrini softball team's bus rolled west along I-94, past the Ecorse Road exit and toward a date with history last Thursday morning, tears welled up in the eyes of the Monarchs' star pitcher, 16-year-old sophomore Katie Osburn.

Nine months earlier, thanks to the blessings and support of her parents, Osburn made the difficult and life-altering decision to transfer from Canton High School (population 1,900) to Cabrini (population 200), a private Division 4 school that was an 80-minute round-trip drive from her Superior Township home.

The sight of the Ecorse Road exit sign triggered a wave of emotions in Osburn, who suddenly felt compelled to make a



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family had made for me," said Osburn. "First, I called my mom, then I

called my dad. I told them both the same thing: 'Thank you so much for letting me go to Cabrini and for everything you've done for me the past year. I'll never forget it."

For a few moments, Osburn was crying, but she had never been happier.

MEMORABLE JOURNEY

The Monarchs' destination that day was Battle Creek, the site of the Division 4 softball semifinal and final games. Osburn's pitching was not the sole reason unbeaten Cabrini was just two wins away from its first state softball title, but the odds of the team making an early-June visit to the home of "Tony the Tiger" would have been significantly longer had she stayed at Canton.

With a six-pitch arsenal that overmatched just about every batting order the Monarchs faced, Osburn started every game on the mound and crafted a spectacular 37-0 record leading up to

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TOM HOFFMEYER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Katie Osburn holds the medal she won Saturday when she pitched Allen Park Cabrini to the Division 4 state softball championship in Battle Creek.

PCA soccer coach named area's best

Please see All-Observer Girls Soccer Team on Page B5

> BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

It didn't take long for Bob Lorion to put his stamp on the Plymouth Christian Academy girls soccer team.

Just two seasons after taking over the six-year-old program, Lorion led the Eagles to a 14-1-1 record, their first Michigan Independent Athletic Conference title and a No. 8 ranking in the Division 4 Michigan High School Coaches rankings.

After taking over for Frank Roberts at the beginning of the 2005 campaign, Lorion, a resident of Plymouth, has compiled an impressive two-year mark of 24-8-1.

"I had a feeling we'd be pretty good this year because we had most of our key players returning from last season, plus we had a good group of freshmen coming in," said Lorion, who was named the 2006 Observerland Coach of the Year by the Observerland sports editors. "While I knew we would be good, we still

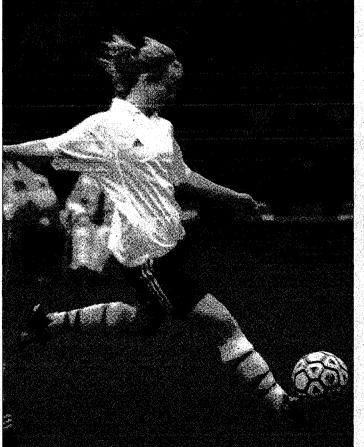
Bob Lorion exceeded my expectations.

"This was a very unselfish team. The girls worked well with each other and they did whatever it took to get the ball to whomever was open. The girls moved the ball well. For them, it wasn't about getting a lot of statistics. They did what was best for the team."

The Eagles' pivotal victory unfolded in early April when they traveled to Auburn Hills and knocked off perennial MIAC powerhouse Oakland Christian, 3-0. PCA's first-ever win over OC set the tone for a sweep of its two-game series with also-strong Birmingham Roeper, which clinched the league crown.

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Lorion sets tone for PCA turnaround



Plymouth Christian Academy junior mid-fielder Abby Lorion led the Eagles to their first Michigan Independent Athletic Conference title this season by tallying 31 goals and 14 assists.

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

Soccer teams that squared off against Plymouth Christian Academy this past season knew the key to beating the Eagles was slowing down junior mid-fielder Abby Lorion.

Unfortunately for the vast majority of the Eagles' opponents, they couldn't quite figure out *how* to slow down PCA's ultra-talented offensive force.



Lorion broke her own school record with 31 goals on the way to leading the Eagles to a 14-1-1

record, their first Michigan Independent Athletic Conference championship and a No. 8 state ranking in the Division 4 Coaches Association poll.

And when foes did put the defensive squeeze on Lorion, she distributed the ball to her teammates, who scored off 14 of her passes.

Lorion's effort earned her All-MIAC first-team honors, All-Observerland first-team honors and – last, but not least – the

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Pitch, Hit & Run

Twelve local youths qualified for the sectional portion of the Pepsi Pitch, Hit & Run, which was held June 3 at Swapka Park in Dearborn Heights. Here is how the Plymouth and Canton participants fared at the sectional competition:

To and 8-year-olds: Dante Toppi (first place, 682 points, state finalist); Cameron Stella (second place, 499 points); and Ronnie Dancer (third place, 455 points).

■ 9- and 10-year-olds: Brandon Waack (first place, 623 points); Sawyer Spryzsak (sixth place, 413 points); and. Ryan Riva (15th place, 240 points).

■ 11- and 12-year-olds: Nick March (eighth place, 382 points); Quinn Lutkenhoff (ninth place, 378 points); and Brandon Berry (gualified at local competition, but didn't show up at sectionals).

■ 13- and 14-year-olds: Matt Windle (first place, 693 points); Tom Windle (second place, 645 points); and Drew Mitchell (qualified at locals, but didn't show up at sectionals).

Toppi qualified to com² pete in the state competition 10 a.m. June 24 at Comerica Park, the home of the Detroit Tigers. Toppi, the defending state champ in his age group, barely missed moving on to the national competition at the Major League Baseball All-State game in 2005.



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Cabrini's semifinal game against Merrill on June

Stepping into the batter's box to face the strong-armed right-hander was about as much as waiting in a return line at IKEA. She yielded just eight runs all season (only six were earned) and her earned-run average - 0.17 · slightly smaller than a contact lens.

When I scanned the Michigan High School Athletic Association's Web site Tuesday afternoon, I discovered that Osburn's 39 wins were the most ever in one season by a pitcher who hadn't suffered a loss. And the eight runs she allowed were 18 fewer than the previous recordlow single-season total of 26.

MORE VALUABLE THAN STATS

While Osburn's numbers were impressive, it was an intangible element she brought to the team that most impressed Cabrini coach Debbie Norman.

We saw right away that Katie was a very talented young lady," said Norman. "It's her assortment of pitches - not just her velocity - that make her so effective. Plus, she can change speeds and move the ball in and out, up and down.

"But the thing I like the best about Katie is that she has a way of making all of her teammates feel involved. She always makes it a point to acknowledge her teammates when they make nice plays and she does a nice job of reassuring them that everything is going to be OK when something goes wrong."

ABOUT THE TRANSFER

When word spread around Canton last August that Osburn was transferring, many people assumed that it was a sports-related decision.

The assumption couldn't have been more off base, Osburn emphasized.

"A lot of people made the mistake of thinking I left because of softball, but that had absolutely nothing to do with my decision," Osburn said. "I transferred because I was overwhelmed by the size of the school. It was too big for me. There

'A lot of people made the mistake of thinking I left because of softball, but that had absolutely nothing to do with my decision.'

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Katie Osburn

are 6,000 students in all three schools ov er there and I just got lost in it all. I wasn't happy.

"I played softball in the summer with (Cabrini starting catcher) Amanda Chidester and she told me how great Cabrini was, so I decided to check it out. The first day I went over there I fell in love with the school."

Following a summer filled with weighing the pros and cons of transferring, Osburn made it official on Aug. 22 - just two days before Cabrini's 2005 school year would commence.

"One thing that made the decision easier was that my dad (Rick) works just seven minutes from the school, so transportation wasn't a problem," she said. "School started at 8 a.m., so we'd leave our house about the same time I would have had to leave if I was still going to Canton."

Rick Osburn said the early-morning and lateafternoon commutes with his oldest daughter provided them with some valuable bonding time.

"Katie still had her driver's permit at the beginning of the school year, so I'd let her drive to school in the morning," Rick Osburn said. "She became a better driver and I got a ride to work every day."

FITTING FINALE

Osburn finished off her first year at Cabrini just like she started it - by shutting out Merrill, 6-0, in the Division 4 semifinal contest before white-washing Petersburg-Summerfield, 2-0, in the championship game.

Seconds after recording the final out, Osburn met Chidester half-way between the mound and the plate for a congratulatory hug.

They didn't say much, but their ear-to-ear smiles were worth a 1,000 words.

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ESSON ON GOLF by Jeff Lesson

WHO'S NUMBER ONE?

It all seemed so simple. Just a par four on the 18th hole of the 106th US Open Championship was all Phil Mickelson needed to win his third consecutive major and assume the title of "The best golfer in the world." Even a bogey would guarantee him a playoff with eventual winner Geoff Oglivy.

What happened next was golf infamy. It was reminiscent of Lefty's tee shot at Oakland Hills in the 2004 Ryder Cup. There he was paired with Tiger Woods and sliced a tee shot so far left that only a fence kept it on the property.

The look on Tiger's face as he watched will forever be in my mind. Tiger had to play that shot from there in the alternate shot format at the Ryder Cup.

The only difference this past Sunday at Winged Foot was there was no Tiger. Woods had missed his first cut at a major since turning professional. Mickelson's tee shot however was a carbon copy.

His drive traveled over the trees and hit a building. A building. And no they did not erect that building in the middle of his backswing.

What ensued was what NBC's Johnny Miller called " maybe the biggest collapse in US Open history. "Lefty then hit a tree, a bunker, and the rough once again. It was a double bogey six, hand delivering the championship to Oglivy, who watched with astonishment from the clubhouse.

Tiger Woods has yet to blow any tournament, let alone a major in such fashion. Let's be honest here. Mickelson just flat out choked. He had a chance to change the way he is perceived as the "second or third best". He may never recover from this. Until someone proves otherwise, Tiger is still the best.

Jeff Lesson hosts "Lesson on Golf" weekend mornings on WWJ Newsradio 950 and Saturday mornings 7-8am on 1270 XYT. He also co-hosts "Michigan Golf Weekly Saturdays at 6pm on CBS Detroit TV.

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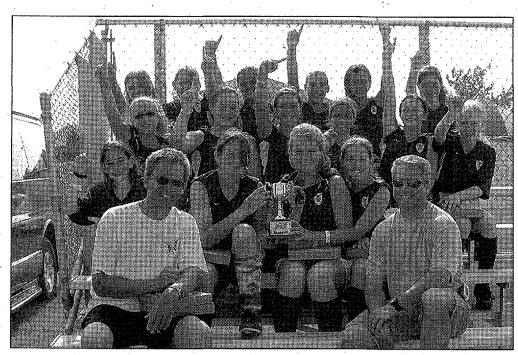
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Tornados breeze to titles

The Canton Tornados U13 girls recreational soccer team finished 9-1 recently to win the Superior Division of the Great Lakes Soccer League. The Tornados also captured their U13/U14 division in the Canton Cup, which was held Memorial Day weekend in Canton. Pictured (front row from left) are coach Glenn Sparschu, coach Mark Giordano, (second row from left) Jenny Fedon, Jill Sparschu, Lauren Uhlian, Laura Schmid, (third row from left) Carlee Giles, Carol Ann Sexauer, Nicole Saccone, Chantal Boileau, Alyssa Giordano, Marie Hallinen, (back row from left) Cindy Bradford, Ally TenBroeck, Ewa Zajac, Dayna Baugh and Avory Pawlak.

"I was ecstatic when we beat

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admiration of her coach/dad, Bob Lorion.

"The key to our team's success this season was that everybody played unselfishly, including Abby," said Bob Lorion. "Abby can scored goals when we need her to, but her best skill is probably her ability to see the entire field and find the open players with through passes. She has a soft touch with her passes and she has great footwork."

GROUND-BREAKING WINS

The Eagles' most-impressive accomplishment this year was sweeping both Oakland Christian and Birmingham Roeper, the two teams that – up until this season – had ruled over the MIAC.

PCA's 2-0 victory over Oakland in mid-April proved to be a catalyst that sparked the Eagles for the remainder of

Oakland and Roeper this season," admitted Abby Lorion, "especially because we had never even been close to beating them before. Before the first win against Oakland Christian, I knew that we could win because we were so much better than we were last year and we had a good group of freshmen coming in. When we beat them, I just thanked God." Lorion sharpens her soccer skills during the summer as a

the season.

member of the highly respected Novi Jaguars, a team made up of many of metro Detroit's most-gifted players. "In the past, we'd play in

in the past, we d play in tournaments just about every weekend of the summer, but this year we're going to play in just four tournaments throughout the United States," she said. "I loved playing travel soccer growing up. My team would always go up North to Traverse City for a weekend and play. We'd go putt-putting together, things like that. Even if we didn't win, we still had a great time."

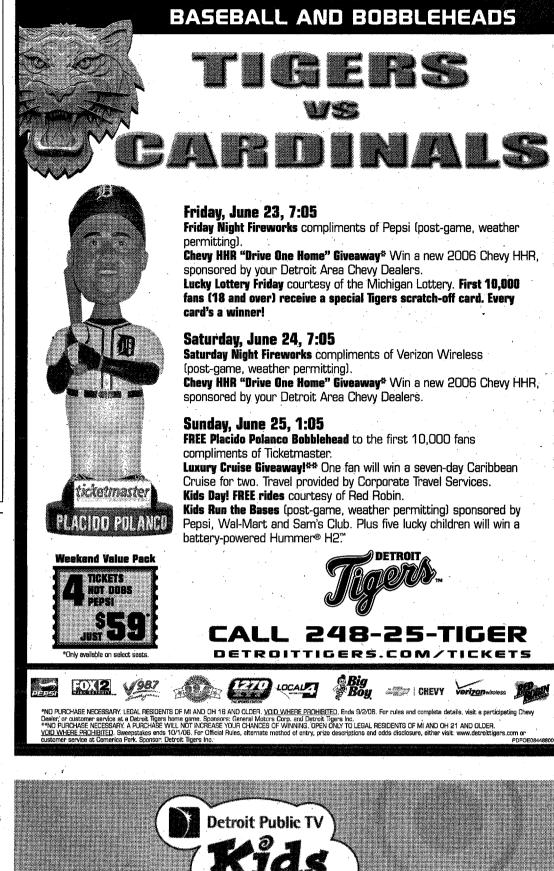
PCA IS A-OK

Lorion said she loves the small-school atmosphere that PCA has to offer – and her 3.9 grade point average is proof of that.

"Plymouth Christian is the only school I've ever attended, so I don't have anything to compare it to, but I really like the school, the teachers and the other students," she said. "I like the fact that everybody knows everybody else. During the soccer season a lot of my teachers would congratulate us on how well we were doing. It's a great atmosphere."

Lorion has her sights set on attending Michigan State University once her high school days are over – unless she is offered an opportunity to play collegiate soccer elsewhere.

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one of the ingredients that makes the Father's Day Run so successful. Running enthusiasts can choose from four races: one mile, 5K, 10K and a the unique triple event in which runners compete in all three races with the total time determining the winners.

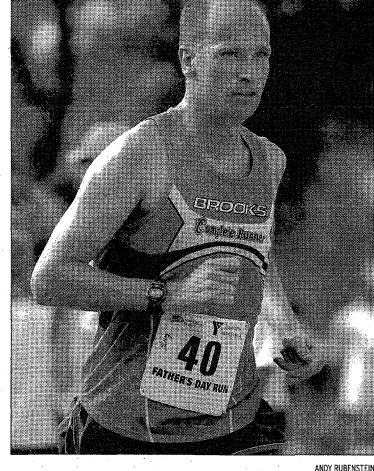
"The number of people who enter the triple has been increasing every year," said Morency. "It's one of the big draws of our event.

"We also get a lot of fathers and sons who run together. This year we had 200 kids run, which was the most ever." Clio's Greg Thomas (1:01:31) and 17-year-old

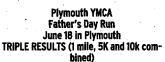
Rebekah Smeltzer (1:04:26) of Monroe won the men's and women's triple, respectively.

Canton's Thomas Dew captured the men's 10K title with a time of 37:29, 11 seconds faster than Anthony Scaparo, a standout on the Plymouth High School track and cross country teams.

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Greg Thomas of Clio placed first in the men's triple event at the Plymouth YMCA's Father's Day Run Sunday morning in downtown Plymouth. Thomas finished the three-race event in 1:01:31.



Male open: 1. Greg Thomas, 1:01:31; 2. Jesse Sweeney, 1:03.43; 3. Steve Menovcik, 1:07:14; 4. Tim Collins, 1:10:08; 5. Jim Oleksinski, 1:11:21; 6. Scott Kriscovich, 1:13:30: 7. Brandon Miller, 1:24:39; 8. Mark Fontana, 1:26:19: 9. Vinnie Ahuia, 1:30:56: 10. Anthony Thibodeau, 1:31:46. Female open: 1. Rebekah Smeltzer, 1:04:26; 2. Marybeth Reader, 1:05:27; 3. Kim Peterson, 1:05:42: 4. Lindsay Parsell. 1:25:57; 5. Courtney Plummer, 1:26:03; 6. Jackie Ferstle, 1:28:50; 7. Karleen Ahuja, 1:31:02; 8. Lauren Ahearn, 1:41.45. Male masters: 1. Todd Kelly, 1:03:41; 2. Doug Ogden, 1:04:22; 3. Michael Manz, 1:07:40; 4. Doug Soliz, 1:08:38; 5. Tony Lopetrone, 1:09:43; 6. Kirk Carlson, 1:14:28; 7. Todd Doenitz, 1:15:59; 8. Bob Kosen, 1:17:19; 9. Jim Zittel, 1:18:03; 10. John Hunnius, 1:21:33. Female masters: 1. Donna Olson, 1:18:23; 2. Maggy Zidar, 1:19:00; 3. Jennifer Lemieux, 1:21:00; 4. Jennie Patterson, 1:29:29; 5. Judy Guinn, 1:38:02; 6. Alice Ahearn, 1:41:42.

10K RESULTS Male overall: 1. Thomas Dew (Canton), 37:29; 2. Anthony Scaparo (Plymouth), 37:40; 3. Greg Thomas (Clio), 38:01. Female overall: 1. Rebekah Smeltzer (Monroe), 40:44; 2. Marybeth Reader (Orchard Lake), 40:48; 3. Kim Peterson (Farmington), 41:04. Male 13-15: 1. Derek Lax (Plymouth), 43:09; 2. Stephen Liu (Canton), 49:39; 3. Michael Renta (Ann Arbor), 57:09; 4. Tyler Deal (Plymouth), 1:01:38; 5. Anthony Thibodeau (Plymouth), 1:02:43,

Female 13-15: 1. Angie Pridmore (South Lyon), 51:54; 2. Courtney Plummer (Garden



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City), 56:51.

Male 16-19: 1. Patrick Scaver (Canton), *39:52; 2. Cristian Chagos (Canton), 40:07; 3. Alex Noble (Plymouth), 40:54; 4. Justin Huey (Canton), 42:06; 5. David Maycock (Plymouth), 45:08; 6. Colin Hessel (Plymouth), 52:52; 7. Justin Magill (Canton), 53:11.

Female 16-19: 1. Lauren Ahearn (Plymouth), 1:06:02.

Male 20-24: 1. Jason Pridmore (South Lyon), 41:51; 2. Ryan Gregory (Novi), 48:13. Female 20-24: 1. Rachel Doherty (Beverly Hills), 51:37; 2. Lisa Ferguson (Plymouth), 53:00; 3. Amy Lindman (Canton), 56:01; 4. Gretchen Frank (Ann Arbor), 58:39; 5. Katie Karabelski (Plymouth), 1:13:04; 6. Julia Bozyk (Northville), 1:13:41. Male 25-29: 1. Ben Garza (Northville), 43:05; 2. Michael Licata (Brookline), 53:57; 3. Sean Galvin (Plymouth), 55:41; 4. Jeff Cohen (Ann Arbor), 57:46; 5. Adam Vincens (Plymouth), 58:26; 6. Brian Karabelski (Grand Rapids), 1:13:04. Female 25-29: 1. Sarah Shipley (Canton), 44:12; 2. Stephanie Yarg (Ann Arbor), 46:39; 3. Jill Danek (Canton), 51:14; 4. Andrea Stanaway (Brighton), 52:14; 5. Michelle Tessmer (Berkley), 52:54; 6. Kristy Burgess (Dearborn), 53:04; 7. Jackie Ferstle (Plymouth), 54:39; 8. Jennifer Currier

(Wayne), 54:46: 9. Lindsay Parsell (Troy), 54:50; 10. Elizabeth Finkel (Ypsilanti), 57:46.

Male 30-34: 1. Jesse Sweeney (Bingham Farms), 39:56; 2. Lee Shaw (Livonia), 41:47; 3. Tim Collins (Canton), 44:20; 4. Kristofer Forsyth (Canton), 44:37; 5. Steve Mitzel (Livonia), 50:05; 6. Phil Spipley (Canton), 50:57; 7. Jeff Diecktans (South Lyon), 51:17; 8. Jeff Conway (Dearborn), 52:00; 9. Robert Marshall (Plymouth), 53:00; 10. Mike Wdowiak (Canton), 53:17.

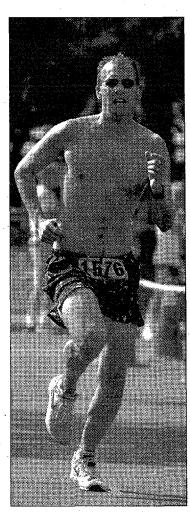
Female 30-34: 1. Suzanne Cabana (Dexter), 45:00; 2. Jessica Bomarito (Farmington Hills), 46:16; 3. Kristi White (Howell), 47:32; 4. Hope Metzger (Canton), 49:43; 5. Kelly Holmes (Berkley), 49:47; 6. Amy Kernahan (Canton), 51:09; 7. Kavitha Spiraman (Livonia), 52:04; 8. Cynthia Yanachik (Rochester Hills), 52:05; 9. Paige Nichelson (Plymouth), 54:04; 10. Kathleen Whelan (Plymouth), 57:00.

Male 35-39: 1. Joe Maloney (Canton), 41:32; 2. Scott Kriscovich (Bloomfield), 41:55; 3. Steve Menovcik (Lansing), 43:08; 4. Chuck Kingston (Wixom), 44:33; 5. Jim Oleksinski (G.P. Woods), 44:56; 6. Mark Fontana (Plymouth), 46:27; 7. Rick Fanning (Plymouth), 48:47; 8. Daniel Ludwig (Plymouth), 49:11; 9. Steve Hondorp (Plymouth), 49:41; 10. Basil Fernimos (White Lake), 50:43.

Female 35-39: 1. Katherine Gillman (Whitmore Lake), 46:54; 2. Soojin Koh (Canton), 47:03; 3. Kristen Brant (Canton), 52:14: 4. Jennifer Kraus (Canton), 58:02: 5. Dawn Chartier (Ferndale), 59:12: 6. Julia Radke (Plymouth), 1:02:14; 7. Lisiana Dutka (Plymouth), 1:03:11; 8. Jennifer Armstrong (Westland), 1:03:20; 9. Kristin Hermann (Canton), 1:05:33; 10. Annemarie Kleabir (Canton), 1:06:12,

Male 40-44: 1. Robert Cook (Lansing), 38:30; 2. James Bumbul (St. Petersburg), 39:16; 3. Doug Ogden (Chelsea), 40:13; 4. Bill Reader (Orchard Lake), 43:10; 5. Patrick Patterson (Plymouth), 43:52; 6. Kirk Carlson (Plymouth), 44:02; 7. Brooks Solterman (Plymouth), 45:20; 8. Robert Boisvert (Rochester), 45:57; 9. Steve Broda (Northville), 46:43; 10. Mike Bechard (Essex), 46:55

Female 40-44: 1. Connie Scapano (Canton), 46:03; 2. Karen Balousek (Royal Oak), 46:50; 3. Kimberly Bruce (St. Petersburg), 47:26; 4. Jennifer Lemieux (Canton), 51:02; 5. Anne Russell (Canton), 51:07; 6. Julia Buzzard (Plymouth), 52:53; 7. Pamela Re (Boynton Beach), 55:20; 8. Jennie Patterson (Northville), 55:54; 9. Karen Patterson (Plymouth), 56:26; 10. Lehnn Littlefield (Reverly Hills) 58:16 Male 45-49: 1. Todd Kelly (Troy), 40:10; 2. Douglas Bajor (Royal Oak), 43:52; 3. Thomas Robert (Plymouth), 46:33; 4. David Prange (Plymouth), 47:01; 5. Dave Mann (Detroit), 47:47; 6. Todd Doenitz (Plymouth), 47:51; 7. Eric Erlandson (Northville), 50:00; 8. Steven Niss (Troy), 50:36; 9. Mark Clinton (Plymouth), 51:01; 10. Larry McCullough (Plymouth), 51:49. Female 45-49: 1. Tami Bealert (Canton). 44:34; 2. Kathy Murphy (Plymouth), 47:50; 3. Jane Dingnett Smith (Franklin), 55:24; 4. Jackie Roehl (Farmington Hills), 1:04:22. Male 50-54: 1. John Tarkowski (Northville), 38:19; 2. Chuck Block (Lansing), 40:21; 3. Michael Manz (Ann Arbor), 42:14; 4. Michael Mester (Canton), 47:58; 5. Dwight Holt (Royal Oak), 48:08; 6. Robin Pearce (New Hudson), 48:31; 7. Lee Huey (Canton), 51:23; 8. Joseph Smeltzer (Monroe), 52:03: 9. Thomas Powell (Detroit), 53:59: 10, Dan Lanning (Canton), 54:08. Female 50-54: 1. Miah Haddock (Plymouth), 53:07; 2. Joann Bonnewell (Brighton), 59:39; 3. Judy Guinn (Zephyr Cove), 1:00:49. Male 55-59: 1. Peter Hallop (Ann Arbor), 41:17; 2. Doug Soliz (Allen Park), 42:56; 3. Tony Lopetrone (Birmingham), 43:11; 4. James Robert (Plymouth), 43:19; 5. Jack Hamilton (Canton), 47:22; 6. Bob Kosen (Shelby Twp.), 48:26; 7. William Wiitala (Hamtramck), 50:32; 8. Russ Kittleson (Canton), 52:39; 9. Michael Albus (Plymouth), 55:47; 10. Jerry Chwalek (Livonia), 56:19. Female 55-59: 1. Donna Olson (Canton). 49:09; 2. Maggy Zidar (Pontiac), 49:25. Male 60-64: 1. Philip Hartley (Northville), 55:20; 2. Tim Klinkham (Birmingham), 58:54; 3. Daniel Kavetsky (Westland), 1:00:23; 4. Ted Hilleary (Jackson), 1:07:50; 5. Al Smith (Royal Oak), 1:13:10. Male 65-69: 1. John Wehrly (Madison Heights), 51:41; 2. Ron Gill (Pleasant Lake), 1:02:20.



ANDY RUBENSTEIN

Canton's Thomas Dew won the 10K run at the Plymouth YMCA's Father's Day Run Sunday afternoon in downtown Plymouth.

Female overall: 1. Rebekah Smeltzer (Monroe), 18:11; 2. Kim Peterson (Farmington), 18:51; 3. Marybeth Reader (Orchard Lake), 19:04. Male 1-8: 1. Joe Fontana (Plymouth), 33:54; 2. Grant Kurili (Canton), 41:08; 3. Luke Kurili (Canton), 41:11. Female 1-8: 1. Samantha Fontana (Plymouth), 33:50; 2. Anne Brace (Plymouth), 38:40. Male 9-12: 1. Mitch Clinton (Plymouth), 19:47; 2. David Obrizak (Canton), 20:41; 3. Evan Thomas (Canton), 23:45. Female 9-12: 1. Kelly Kerwin (Plymouth), 25:45; 2. Madison Vora (Plymouth), 27:47; 3. Katie Grimes (Plymouth), 29:10. Male 13-15: 1. Duncan Spitz (Plymouth), 18:38; 2. Kyle Clinton (Plymouth), 19:02; 3. Steve Watts (Plymouth), 19:05. Female 13-15: 1. Molly Slavens (Canton), 21:00; 2. Pam Bhullar (Canton), 21:10; 3. Sara Thomas (Canton), 21:52. Male 16-19: 1. Matt Carlson (Plymouth), 20:31; 2. Brendan Dillon (Livonia), 22:59; 3. Kevin Ahrens (Plymouth), 7:53. Female 16-19: 1. Becky McCormack (Canton), 22:53; 2. Sarah Sherwood (Plymouth), 23:48; 3. Jennifer Thomas (Canton), 23:48. Male 20-24: 1. Joshua Monthei (Livonia), 18:35; 2. Rob Parker (Holton), 21:05; 3. Kevin Parker (Holton), 21:12. Female 20-24: 1. Carrie Smeltzer (Monroe), 21:32; 2. Allison Smith (Franklin), 23:38; 3. Lynn Mulvihill (Livonia), 24:00. Male 25-29: 1. Andrew McDonald (Lake Orion), 18:42; 2. Rob Block (Lansing), 19:12; 3. Shane Lehnst (Clinton Twp.), 19:49. Female 25-29: 1. Kiki Rodriguez (Redford),

23:23; 2. Lindsay Vecchio (Livonia), 23:44;

Farms), 18:30; 2. Tim Collins (Canton), 20:19; 3. John Wright (Novi), 20:19.

20:49; 2. Stacy Witthoff (Portage), 23:52; 3.

3. Katherine Mara (Falmouth), 24:27.

Male 30-34: 1. Jesse Sweeney (Bingham

Female 30-34: 1. Irene Ryan (Plymouth),

Male 35-39: 1. Scott Ebeling (Ann Arbor),

Kristen White (Plymouth), 24:17.

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Female 65-69: 1. Merion Knight (Detroit), 1:01:03.

Male 70-74: 1. Erwin Rubenstien (West Bloomfield), 1:23:50.

5K RESULTS Male overall: 1. Aaron Metler (W. Bloomfield), 16:03; 2. B.J. Pankow (Williamston), 16:49; 3. Chris Pankow (Williamston), 17:23.

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Registration forms for the camp can be found at www.chiefswrestling.com. For more information, contact Canton wrestling coach Casey Randolph at (734) 582-6885.

BOTTLE DRIVE

The Canton High School girls swim team will be having a bottle drive on Saturday, June 24. Members of the team will be out in the Plymouth/Canton community collecting cans and bottles that can be returned for deposit.

If you would like to make a donation and arrange for a pick-up, contact Donna at (734) 981-7438.

ALL-AREA GIRLS SOCCER

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FIRST TEAM

GK-Melissa Frederick, Sr., Westland Glenn: Normally somebody who gives up a total of 112 goals in a season doesn't get any kind of consideration for All-Area honors, but this senior is making her second straight appearance on the first-team.

Bound for Eastern Michigan University on a scholarship, Frederick faced a total of 649 shots this spring, including 49 in one game.

Teams took 5.8 shots per game to score one goal on the acrobatic Rocket keeper, who earned secondteam All-State honors.

"She faces more shots in a game sometimes than some goalies see in a season," Glenn coach Jerry Poniatowski said of the All-Western Lakes Activities Association pick. "Plus, this year, our best defenders either graduated, were injured, or moved to another position.

"We'll miss her next year."

D-Lisa Hellen, Sr., Red. Thurston: If the situation called for a strong defensive play to get the Eagles out of a jam, it was usually the hard-nosed Hellen who bailed the team out.

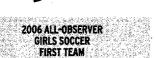
"After moving up to the Mega Red, she kept us in numerous games with her play," said Thurston head coach Jason Brater said of the D-2 All-Stater. "Even though we didn't beat a lot of Mega Red teams, we played close with every single team. Without Lisa, that wouldn't have happened."

Consistent and strong, Hellen had a stellar season. Her play earned her Thurston's MVP honors as well as selections to the All-Conference and All-District first teams. She capped off her two-year Thurston career by being named to the All-Regional squad.

MF-Abby Lorion, Jr., Ply. Christian:

Lorion was the offensive catalyst for the high-scoring Eagles' attack this past season, netting 31 goals and 14 assists. Thanks to Lorion's top-notch two-way play, PCA enjoyed its most successful season in school history, racking up a 14-1-1 record and a berth in the Division 4 District final showdown against Ann Arbor Greenhills. She broke her own record for goals in a season that was set during the 2005 campaign.

"Abby's best asset is being able to find open teammates with through balls," said PCA coach Bob Lorion, Abby's dad. "She has very good field vision and she does a nice job of getting passes through the defense to



GK-Melissa Frederick, Sr., John Glenn D-Lisa Hellen, Sr., Red. Thurston MF-Abby Lorion, Jr., Ply. Christian MF+ Bailey Brandon, Fr., Liv. Churchill MF-Stacey Dillon, Sr., Plymouth MF- Kate Howe, Sr., Liv. Stevenson F-Kat Griffith, Jr., Liv. Stevenson F-Liz Raleigh, Sr., Garden City F- Victoria Slavin, Soph., Liv. Stevenson F-Lisa Ealy, Sr., Canton F-Becci Houdek, Sr., Canton F-Jessica Austin, Sr., Liv. Franklin F-Kelly Adsit, Jr., Salem SECOND TEAM GK-Stephanie Turner, Soph., Churchill **GK**-Brittany Warner, Jr., Plymouth D-Amber Sharp, Jr., Liv, Stevenson D-Kristen March, Sr., Salem D-Lindsay Marlow, Soph., Liv. Churchill D-Ali Lindow, Sr., Canton D-Meghan Horgan, Jr., Liv, Franklin MF-Alyssa Mira, Fr., Liv. Churchill MF-Ally King, Sr., Liv. Stevenson MF-Cindy Wyler, Sr., Red. Thurston MF-Erin Szczypka, Jr., Ladywood MF-Amanda Moody, Soph., Clarenceville F- Kelley Murphy, Soph., Red. Thurston

COACH OF THE YEAR Bob Lorion, Ply. Christian

HONORARI E MENTION Churchill: Alisha Lussiez, Hannah Otto, Julianne Puroll; Franklin: Cassie LaPrairie, Kelly Roulier, Kristine Ostrosky, Diana Brda; **Stevenson:** Alana Lavery, Jamie Chandler, Elizabeth Tokarsky. Shaina O'Connor; Ladywood: Jessica Tuggle, Kathleen Bohrer, Alison Szczypka, Jackie Sulkowski; John Glenn: Jessika Williams, Melanie Stawkey, Sara Davis, Jamie Allen; **Wayne:** Kelly MacDonald, Becky Sikora, Angle Jones, Danielle Borg, Whitney Jacobs; Clarenceville: Lisa Rotenheber, Chelsea Gregg, Season Belcher, Gina Allesandrini: Lutheran Westland: Kayla Noel, Angel Day; Canton: Kelsey Bailey, Laura Gibson, Kelsey Zemanski, Ali Perry; Plymouth: Chelsey Quinlan, Val Klemmer, Clare Baptist, Courtney Pickard; Salem: Tara Duncan, Miranda Evers, Ashley D'Angelo; Thurston: Aiden Murtagh, Kell Mapes, Elaine Nelson: Garden City: Courtney Webb, Becky Woolweaver, Amanda Bonner; Redford Union: Zoe Jazwinski, Karen Jackett, Jessica Petriches, Gina Papp; Plymouth Christian: Jalese Debiasi, Sarah Ross Karen Cleary, Sarah Roth, Brooke Williams.

her teammates. She has a soft touch on her passes and can also put the ball in the net when she gets the opportunity."

MF-Balley Brandon, Fr., Liv. Churchill: The freshman, an All-Division pick



Melissa Frederick Lisa Helle John Glenn Thurston



Kathleen Griffith Stevenson

Elizabeth Raleigh

Garden City



Kelly Adsit Salem

in the Western Lakes, helped the Chargers to an 11-4-4 record as she finished with nine goals and eight assists.

"Bailey did a nice job for us in the middle, she's an aggressive player always looking to move forward," Churchill interim coach Brian Zawislak said. "She organized our midfield well and created opportunities to attack the field."

MF-Stacey Dillon, Sr., Plymouth: Dillon excelled in her only season with the Wildcats after moving north from South Carolina during the summer of 2005. The athletic mid-fielder tallied nine goals and 11 assists, and played stellar defense. She will attend Coastal Carolina University in the fall on a full-ride soccer scholarship.



Abby Lorion Plymouth Christian



Stevenson

"Stacey's ball control is excellent and she brought a great work ethic to our team this season," said Plymouth coach Jeff Neschich. "She had a great attitude in practices and games that rubbed off on the other players."

MF-Kate Howe, Sr., Liv. Stevenson: Bound for Oakland University, the senior enjoyed a productive senior season for the Lakes Division champs with 12 goals and nine assists.

Most of her play came from the midfield, although the All-Western Lakes pick was always dangerous when moved up-front.

"Kate was playing with determination this season that I haven't seen before as far as effort, and the way she worked with her teammates," Stevenson coach Chris Pinta said of the second-team D-1 All-Stater. "This was the best of her four years on the varsity."

F-Kat Griffith, Jr., Liv. Stevenson: The junior earned All-Western Lakes honors as she finished with six goals

and 11 assists. "Kat was our best playmaker throughout the season," Pinta said. "You take her off the field and we'd have a lot less goals. She was an impact player for us. She was marked all the time, but if not, teams paid."

F-Liz Raleigh, Sr., Garden City: Opposing goalkeepers knew what they'd be facing from the stronglegged Garden City forward, primarily a rush down the right side of the field followed by a hard shot from 15 or 20 yards out. Bailey Brandon

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Stacey Dillon Plymouth

Becci Houdek

Canton

Fifteen times, Raleigh hit the back

of the net with her shots, providing

threat again this season.

field, defense or forward."

Atlanta Christian College.

nine assists.

dangerous."

F-Victoria Slavin, Soph., Liv.

the Cougars with their main offensive

"Liz was a catalyst on the team,"

said Cougars head coach Bill Torni.

"She worked hard whether at mid-

Raleigh, who also contributed

three assists, will play next year at

Stevenson: The sophomore, an All-

Division pick, led the Spartans with a

"Victoria more than doubled her

"She knows how to finish and create.

She's exciting to watch when she has

the ball. When she's around the goal-

F-Lisa Ealy, Sr., Canton: Ealy com-

Houdek to give the Chiefs one of the

area's most-feared one-two scoring

punches. She was an accomplished

opposing team's defense like a sur-

geon. The third-team D-1 All-Stater

and All-WLAA performer matched

her on-the-field exploits with out-

standing work habits in the class-

room that earned her a sterling 3.8

grade-point average and Academic

ward line of Houdek and Lisa Ealy was a nightmare for opposing teams

F-Becci Houdek, Jr., Canton: The for-

All-State honors.

dribbler, who could knife through an

mouth - watch out - because she's

bined with fellow forward Becci

goals from a year ago," Pinta said.

team-high 16 goals to go along with

Kate Howe Stevenson



Jessica Austin Franklin

to defend against. Houdek combined quickness, speed and incredible ballcontrolling skills to make her one of the top offensive forces in the WLAA the past two seasons. She earned All-Conference honors this season while helping the Chiefs compile an 11-5-2 record. Unfortunately,

F-Jessica Austin, Sr., Liv. Franklin: The four-year starter earned All-Western Lakes and All-District honors for the Patriots as a senior, scoring a team-best 12 goals.

"Jess made a huge impact for us this year," Franklin coach Jen Barker said. "The combination of her speed and composure in the box led to many good things happening to us. Not only did she score goals, but she created opportunities for others. She was someone we knew we could rely on to get us great opportunities, and other teams knew it, too."

F-Kelly Adsit, Jr., Selem: The stronglegged Adsit was the primary catalyst for the Rocks' offense this season. Adsit was as dangerous as any player in the WLAA when she carried the ball down the sideline toward the opposing team's net. Only a junior, she had 10 goals and seven assists, and earned All-WLAA honors.

"Kelly had a solid season for us," said Salem coach Joe Nora. "She's a great offensive talent and we're expecting big things from her again next season."

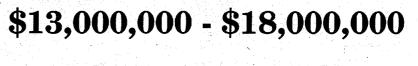
Adsit was also recognized statewide by earned third-team All-State in Division I.



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LOCAL SPORTS

Canton's Rusin leads Rams to 5-1 victory

Michigan Rams pitcher Chris Rusin gave the Oakland Cubs a taste of Bluegrass music Monday night at Ford Field.

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The left-hander from the University of Kentucky was humming on the mound as he tossed a four-hit, complete game as the Rams prevailed in a Livonia Michigan Collegiate Baseball League game, 5-1. Rusin, who hails from Canton and graduated from Dearborn Divine Child High School, walked five, hit one batter and struck out four in going all seven innings. The Rams, who improved to 8-5 in Collegiate League action, turned three double plays in the victory. Offensively, shortstop Ryan Shay went 2-for-4 with a dou-

Stafford also added two hits and knocked in a run. Wayne native Eric Vojtkofsky also had an RBI.

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The Cubs (6-6-1) got their only run in the fifth when Scott Scyperko drove home Keith Kampe.

Losing pitcher Zach Matthews, the Cubs starter, lasted two innings, allowing three runs on three hits and three walks.

RAMS 4-4, MONARCHS 0-5: In a doubleheader Saturday at Ford Field, the Michigan Rams (7-5) won the opener, 4-0, as Albion College pitcher John Fileccia tossed a two-hitter, but the Michigan Monarchs (3-9) took the nightcap, 5-4, as Alex Seyferth went 4-for-5, including the gamewinning, two-out RBI single in the bottom of the ninth to score Jason Norris.

Fileccia went all seven innings in the opener, facing just 24 batters. He struck out four and did not allow a

walk. He had a perfect game going into the fifth until Seyferth beat out a slow grounder to second. Todd Meyers beat out an infield single in the seventh. Max-Miller went 2-for-3 with a double and run scored to pace the Rams' seven-hit attack. Rob Campbell homered, while Scott Martin and Tim Kalczynski each knocked in runs.

Losing pitcher Tom Molter went the first 5.1 innings, allowing three runs on five hits and five walks. In the nightcap, Meyers went 3-

for-5 with a runs scored, while Xander Younce added two hits for the victorious Monarchs. Mike Moczydlowsky scored twice.

Miller homered in a losing cause for the Rams, while Scott Cain, Matt Nickels, Martin and Campbell each contributed two hits.

Matt Moffat, in relief of starter Chris Boertie, went the final 3.2 innings, allowing no runs on just two hits, a walk and a hit batter.

Ryan Mosher, in relief of starter Bobby Henderson, took the loss for the Rams, allowing three runs on

seven hits over the final 4.1 innings. MONARCHS 8, RAMS 6: Todd Meyers went 3-for-3 with two RBI Friday as the Michigan Monarchs (2-8) turned back the Michigan Rams (6-4) at

Ford Field. Mike Moczydlowsky also had two RBI in the win, while Jason Norris

knocked in a run. The Rams only had four hits, one each by Andrew Stafford, Matt Nickels, Scott Cain and Eric Vojtkofsky. Winning pitcher Andy Paulun worked four innings, allowing five runs on three hits and two walks. He struck out six.

Losing pitcher Steve Karchefske was chased in the second inning after giving up a total of seven runs on six hits and two walks. Clint Tobias went the final six innings. allowing just one run on three hits. He struck out six and walked three.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

PLYMOUTH GRID CAMPS

The Plymouth High school football program will be hosting the following camps in the upcoming weeks:

A football fundamentals camp for players from 5th to 9th grades from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on June 26-28. To download an application, visit www.football.plymouthwildcats.com; and

A Plymouth football development camp for players in 10th, 11th and 12th grades on June 26-28 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. To download an application, visit www.football.plymouthwildcats.com.

FIELD HOCKEY CAMP

Livonia Ladywood will stage its 2006 Blazer Field Hockey Day Camp (grades 6 through incoming freshman) from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday, June 24, at the high school, located at 14680 Newburgh Road (between I-96 and Five Mile Road).

The cost is \$50.

All camp participants must provide their own shin guards, mouthpiece, water bottle and field hockey stick (some available to sign out at camp). Rubber cleats are recommended. You must also bring a sack lunch.

All campers will receive a camp T-shirt. An athletic trainer will be on-site.

For more information, call the Ladywood athletic department at (734) 591-2323.

FALL SOCCER

The City of Plymouth will be accepting registration forms for its fall youth soccer program through June 30 at the Plymouth recreation office located in the Plymouth Cultural Center at 525 Farmer. Business hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

All first-time registrants

require a birth certificate. The fee for Under-6 through Under-8 divisions is \$65 for Plymouth residents and \$100 for nonresidents. The fee is \$70 for U-9 and older divisions for residents and \$110 for nonresidents.

For more information, call the recreation department at (734) 455-6620, Ext. 304.

SUMMER CAMPS

Canton Leisure Services will be offering three summer

young athletes in the Detroit area. The camp will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. both days. The cost is \$50. All participants will learn skills for all positions and the basic fundamentals of the sport.

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For more information, visit the school's Web site at www.fgrhsaa.org.

YMCA HOOP

The Plymouth Family YMCA will be hosting a basketball camp the week of July 24-28. The camp, which will be run by a former collegiate basketball player and current high school coach, will help players become familiar with the ball and develop a love for the game.

The camp will run from 9 a.m. to noon for 6- to 8-yearolds and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. for kids between the ages of 9 and 11.

For more information, contact the YMCA office (734) 453-2904 or visit www.ymcadetroit.org.

BRITISH SOCCER CAMP

The Garden City-based area chapter of the Christian Youth Soccer League is offering a unique giveaway to those soccer players who go on-line and register by Friday, June 16, for the upcoming Challenger British Soccer Camp. To sign up, go to the Web site, challengersports.com.

According to CYSL spokeswoman Terri Fritz, British soccer replica jerseys will be given to those who sign up by the above date.

The July 31 through Aug. 4 camp is open to soccer players ages 5-16 who live anywhere in the Observerland area.

Call (734) 513-7844 for more information.

SOCCER CAMPS

Detroit's newest professional soccer team, the Detroit Ignition, is taking over the popular Goose's All-Star Soccer Camps, which were started four years ago by former professional goalkeeper Bryan 'Goose" Finnerty.

Although the camps are being shifted into the Ignition's care, they will still be operated by Finnerty and former teammate and camp director, Droo Callahan. The coaching staff will include former professional and collegiate players who are all licensed trainers with various clubs, including Canton, Plymouth, Livonia, Brighton and CW3. The locations of the local camps are as follows: **June 26-30**

Hawks fly to 1st place in W-League action

Mission accomplished for the Michigan Hawks, who earned a win and a tie on the road last weekend in W-League soccer play.

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The Hawks, all alone in first place in the Midwest Division of the Central Conference with a 5-1-1 record, played Sunday night to a 1-1 draw with the host Chicago Gaels in a game

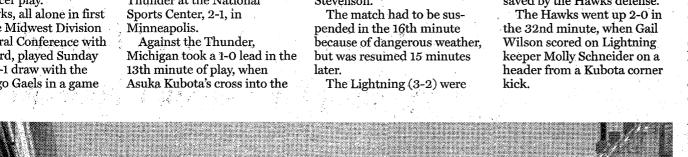
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played at Marist (Ill.) High School.

On Saturday, the Hawks defeated the host Minnesota Thunder at the National Sports Center, 2-1, in Minneapolis. Against the Thunder,

18-vard box was one-timed in by forward Melissa Dobbyn, the University of Michigan standout from Livonia Stevenson.

close to countering on an Emily Redberg corner kick in the 25th minute, but Lindsey Schwartz's header on goal was saved by the Hawks defense. The Hawks went up 2-0 in





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sports camps:

A lacrosse camp for boys and girls between the ages of 4 and 18 will be held Monday through Thursday, June 26-July 9; and July 10-13 at Heritage Park in Canton. The sessions will run from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 2:30-5:30 p.m.

To register, visit www.americanlacrosse.com or call (248) 333-3929.

A baseball camp will be held 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. July 17-21. at Heritage Park. The camp is for kids between the ages of 7 and 14. The camp will be run by Pat Watson, who offers instruction, games, videos and guests. For more information, call (734) 483-5600.

A basketball camp will be held Aug. 21-25 at the Summit on the Park in Canton. For more information, call (734) 483-5600.

P-CEP GOLF OUTING

A golf outing that will raise funds for the P-CEP's hockey teams will be held Saturday, Aug. 26, at Hickory Creek Golf Course in Canton. The entry fee for a foursome is \$400, which includes 18 holes of golf (scramble format), a steak dinner, silent auctions and an opportunity to win several prizes.

For more information, contact Chris Wolfe at (734) 453-8332, Kathy Lash at (734) 453-6518 or Noreen Desilets at (734) 397-5691.

AAGR GRID CAMP

The Ann Arbor Gabriel **Richard Champions Football** Camp will be held June 26 and 27 for boys entering 5th through 8th grades in the fall. The camp will be directed by Gabriel Richard head coach Ed Maloney, his staff and former University of Michigan standout Ron Simpkins.

Along with assisting with area camps, Simpkins is the director of the Wayne State Volunteers, Administrators and Coaches Program, which focuses on the development of coaches, administrators and volunteers who work with

Independence Park in Canton; July 10-14 - Pioneer Park in Farmington;

July 17-21 - Independence Park in Canton; and

Aug. 7-11 - Plymouth Lake Soccer Park in Plymouth. Each camp will run from

9:30 a.m. to noon. The \$139 fee includes a free ball and Tshirt. To register, visit www.Goose22.com.

VELOCITY CAMPS

Velocity Sports Performance, which is located on Michigan Avenue in Canton, will be offering several camps this summer that will be geared toward making athletes faster, stronger, more powerful and more explosive.

The summer schedule includes:

Speed and Agility Camp -Session 1 will be held June 26-29 and Session 2 will be held July 31 to Aug. 3. Among other things, campers will learn proper running form and mechanics. Each of the four sessions will last two hours.

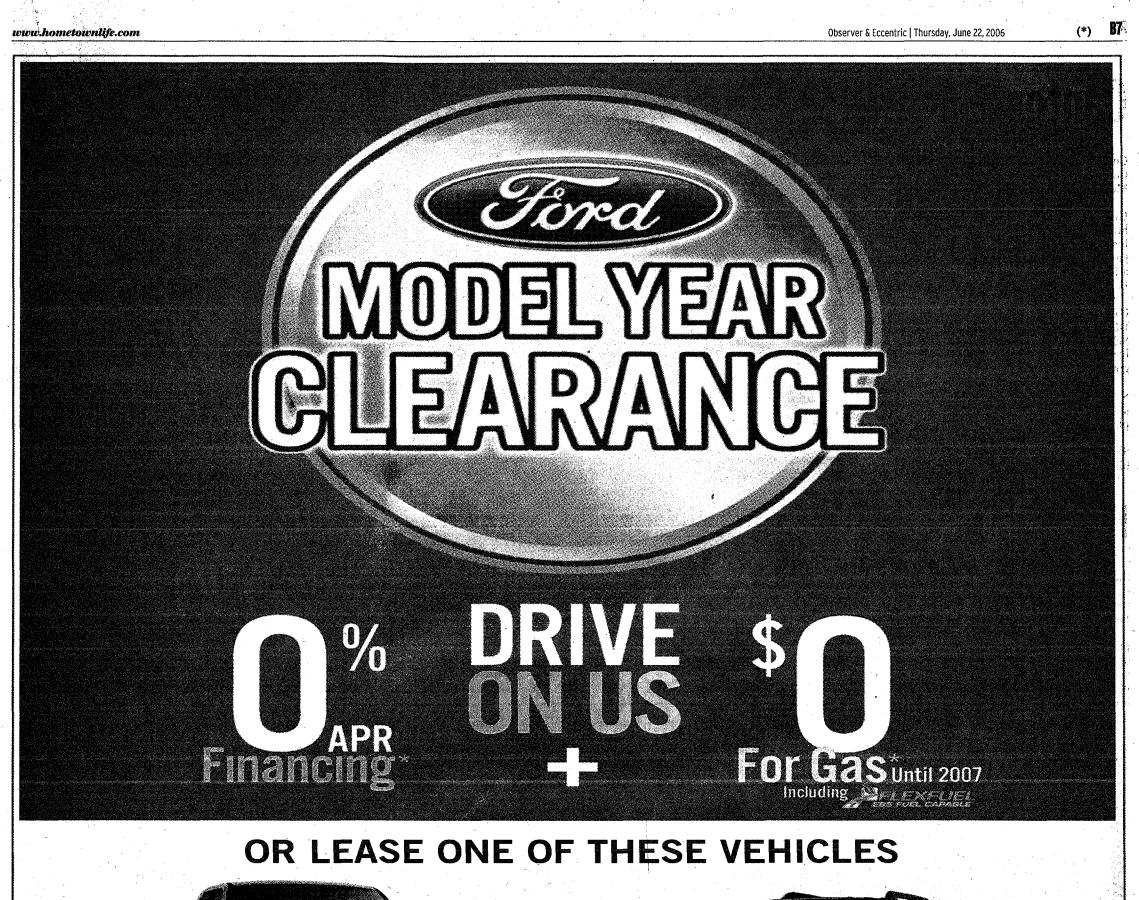
Football Speed and Agility Camp - Session 1 will be held July 10-13 and Session 2 will run from July 17-20. The four two-hour sessions, which are for athletes 14 years old and up, will go from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Junior Football Speed and Agility Camp - This four-day camp, available to athletes between the ages of 8 and 13, will run from July 24-27 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For more information on the camps, visit www.velocitysp.com/canton.

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.





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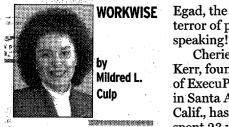
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TAILORED METHODS CURB ANXIETY ABOUT SPEAKING



terror of public speaking! Cherie Kerr, founder of ExecuProv in Santa Ana, Calif., has spent 23 years

in helping clients overcome their fear of speaking. Shes observed all degrees of anticipatory fear. I know people who don t sleep, who break out in hives, who vomit, who hyperventilate, Kerr says. At least 15 percent of the people I coach become extremely ill. She maintains that approximately 75 percent of all people don t enjoy public speaking, while 30 percent experience miserable symptoms, such as feeling clammy, not breathing, shaking uncontrollably, sweating heavily.

M.F. Fensholt, author of The Francis Effect: The Real Reason You Hate Public Speaking and How To Get Over It (Oakmont Press, \$19.95), writes that our ancestors bequeathed to us our deeply rooted abhorrence of placing ourselves in the position of salient object.... The human body can t tell the difference between facing an audience and facing a pack of giant hyenas. She eschews beta-blockers in place of education, determination and practice. OPTIONS

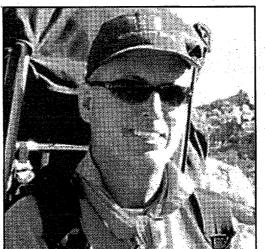
Kerr uses improvisational comedy, beginning with her Screw-It Adjustment, which wrings excessive angst out of the experience. For example, a litigator about to close his practice because of juror jitters experienced a breakthrough by thinking that the world would blow up at 5:00 p.m.; so what the heck difference did it

make? she recalls. Another man thinks of himself as the invincible Dirty Harry.

Ellen Ornato, president of Solutions PR & Event Marketing L.L.C., in Middletown, Conn., quips that shes not a throwing-up person, but I had clammy hands and felt my heart racing so hard I couldn t breathe well. Her solution was so simple that you ll wonder why you hadn t thought of it: progressively increasing the size of her audiences bit by bit. She s still anxious but has spoken to audiences with as many as 2,000 people. I tell myself, she concedes, There are fewer than 2,000 people out there. No sweat. I ve done this before!

Gary Thormodsgaard, sales manager at Primary Color in Irvine, Calif., used to watch his hands and mouth turn blue before speaking, a symptom of Lupus, which restricts blood flow. His solution is to be recovering. I overcome the problem every day, he explains, through breathing, concentrating, focusing on the big picture or overall mission -- not what is coming. It s a matter of stepping outside of yourself and knowing that we re resolving an issue, making progress, helping other people. Consciously and constantly he reaffirms an optimistic world view, day in and day out.

Chris Consorte, president and CEO of marketing firms Integrated Direct L.L.C., and Integrated Interactive L.L.C., in Rego Park, N.Y., used to be terrified, evidenced by a queasy stomach, a racing heart and weariness, complete with yawning. He began to work toward the financial and social benefits of public speaking in front of fellow grad students, then taught as adjunct, taking about a year to become comfortable. Today he speaks in seminars in his corporation and around the country, and teaches.



Gary Thormodsgaard, Sales Manager, uses focus and breathing techniques to overcome public speaking anxiety.

Matthew Cossolotto, president of Ovations International Inc., in Westchester County, N.Y., stopped thinking that public speaking exists, that, instead, the only speaking you do is in conversation, one on one. He persuades clients to repeat endlessly that there is no such thing as public speaking, that you can only speak to one person at a time, to acknowledge how an audience supports the speaker (except in courtrooms) and to become open to a relationship with an audience.

Media image consultant Michael Sands of Sands Digital Media in Los Angeles knows the sudden anxiety caused by an e-mail inviting him to speak. He s wiped out stomach cramps, dry mouth and fear -- the Whack Attacks! -- by taking a walk or riding



Chris Consorte, President and CEO, found the financial and social benefits of public speaking.

his bicycle. At the podium he confesses to Stage Fright and says, So let me introduce myself. I m Stage Fright Sands.

Kerr describes a client who was very shy, very miserable when she knew she had to give a presentation. Her breakthrough came with this prescription:

-- Pepto Bismol two hours prior,

-- deep breathing,

-- crying, for its calming effect, -- speaking weekly to a group of 10

or more anywhere, and

-- most importantly, deciding that if she were fired, she didn t care. Tailored methods work.

(Dr. Mildred L. Culp is an award-winning journalist. Copyright 2006 Passage Media.)



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Fri., Sat. & Sun., 9am-5pm 21930 E. Valley Woods

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ESTATE CLOSE-OUT SALE! Collectibles, furniture, jewelry,

household

CLOTHING, & treasures. Thurs.-Fri.-Sat, June 22-23-

24, 9-5pm. 18261 Devonshire,

BEVERLY HILLS Georgetowr

North Sub, Muli-family sale. June 22-23, 9am-4pm. Kids

clothes, toys, furniture, etc. N.

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BIRMINGHAM

1957 Shipman; 14 Mile & Southfield Rd, FRI 6/23, 9am-

4pm; SAT 6/24, 9am-noon Furniture, records, Christmas

tools, clothes, home goods, kid's stuff and more.

BIRMINGHAM 4 Family sale

June 22, 23, 9-5, Antiques

toys, Ig. quanity of furniture, & more. 1509 Maryland. Off

of Lincoln and off 14 Mile, 3

BIRMINGHAM

Four Family Sale - Fri., 6/23 & Sat., 6/24, 9am-4pm. 2290 Pembroke (Btwn N. Eton &

Vinyls, Fabric, Jewelry, Christmas Decor, Retro Items,

BIRMINGHAM Moving sale

June 23 & 24. Antique furni-

ture, tools, collectibles &

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Furniture, antiques, etc. LIVONIA - Multi -Family REDFORD - Brady Block Sale. home furnishings. River to Lyndon Household items, kids' toys & 10 Homes participating. Sat.-Sun., June 24-25, 8-5pm. Btwn I-96 & Glendale, W. of LIVONIA - Huge Moving Sale 5pm. No early birds please! much more. 20114 Maple-wood, E of Middlebelt, btwn 7 SOUTH LYON: BARN SALE DETROIT- Unbelievable sale Furniture, home goods, appli ances. Fri-Sat, June 23-24 never used! Sale Begins: June 22, 10am and ends at 6pm on CANTON - Huge Garage Sale! June 22-24, 9am-6pm, 3861 Five Mile Rd., W of Pontiac 16600 Warwick, N Rosedale Pk., June 23-25, Collectibles, btwn Walnut & Lone Pine on & 8 Mile. Thurs.-Sat., 10-5pm 9am-5pm. 33685 Orangelawn BABY, kids, household, books Telegraph, E. of Beech. east side of road June 24th, Address: 25716 dolls/child furniture, vintage, more! 44114 Somerset Plymouth & Farmington. Tr., N of North Territorial, aby LIVONIA SMR Estates Sub-DON'T MISS THIS ONE !!! Power'Rd., Farmington REDFORD - Fri.-Sun., 10-Sheldon/Hanford items, tools and toolboxes linens, art, shabby, & misc Wide (30+Homes). Thurs.-Sat., June 22-24, 9-4pm. Off 48336. between 11 & 10 Mile. LIVONIA - June 23-24, 9-5. Pfaltzgraff Yorktown pattern Thurs.-Sat., 9-? Don't miss! 4pm. 26320 Woodrow, S. on sporting goods, antiques and collectibles, books, and over WEST BLOOMFIELD house-FARMINGTON HILLS annual Kinloch from 6 Mile, turn right W of Farmington wares, antiques, quilts, adult/ kids clothes Coke cooler from CANTON - Moving Sale. June sub-divison sale, Household good, tools, children's items. HIGHIAND 6/23 & 6/24 dishes & accessories, house on Woodrow to address 400 records. btwn 5 Mile & Schoolcraft 9am-5pm. 4975 Pepper 22-24, 9-5pm. Furniture, hold goods, toys, bov's Stove, camp stove, tools, etc. Olympia, toys, sports, more! Sat., 9-4, 1998 Bent Tree Trail. SOUTHFIELD clothes, movies, furniture. 12051 Cavell, N. of Plymouth clothing, baby items, etc. Timhercrest sub 12 Mile & Trail. Rugs, Housewares LIVONIA toys, games, clothes **REDFORD -HUGE DOLL SALE** 2413 Lexington Circle North, **BIG SALE GOOD STUFF** Middlebelt. Fri-Sun 9-5 PM Furniture, Antiques, Books misc. kitchen items, books, 19661 Rensellor, btwn. 7 Mile Large selection of MINT IN BOX collector dolls from QVC 29830 N. Bedford, between 12 & 13/Greenfield & Southfield. Rd., 2 blks E. of Inkster. Tools, Saws, Pumps Compactor, Cement Tools S. of Cherry Hill, W. off Beck. WEST BLOOMFIELD MULTI-FARMINGTON HILLS 22490 and Grand River, one block E. of Inkster. Sat- Sun. 9-5pm. LIVONIA - MAMMOTH SALE CANTON 2848 Wakefield Karen Ct., 1 blk E. of Middle-belt, off 9. Sat.-Mon. June 24-26, 9-5pm. Teacher materials, FAMILY, lots of furniture & HSN, Porcelain Artist Ltd June 24-26, 10:30-3:30. Magtag Washer & Dryer tools antiques kids stuff Beck to Newton (1/2 mi. 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Furniture, (10 Mile East of Middlebelt). 7339 and 7375 Briargate Dr. silver, jewelry, linen, etc. June 22-25th, 9-5pm. 39142 of girl baby clothes up to 24 months, stroller, high chair, Fri., 9-4pm, Sat. 9-12pm Locklin Lanes, off Willow. in Lyndon Village in Canton. FARMINGTON HILLS- Fri. & Household goods, clothes and kids toys & clothes, china. Fri & Sat., 9-4. No early birds! Sat. 8-4pm, 32351 Spruce-wood, 13 & Farmington. Misc. Lyndon, 5 Mile & Eckles. CANTON Multi Family, many lots of misc. walker, Star Wars collectibles. 24 & 25, 9am-5pm. WFST BLOOMFIELD: Thurs. household items, must go, I IVONIA: 20338 Brentwood. REDFORD: 15949 Denby, N PLYMOUTH Moving Sale -Furniture, household items, Fri., Sat. Pine Lake Estates LIVONIA 2 FAMILY MOVING housewares, bunkbeds, books TROY - June 23-24, 9am-4pm. microwaves, furniture, June (8 & Grand River) Thurs. 8 Subdivision Garage Sale! N of Lone Pine, E of Orchard Lake, SALE. 30542 Bretton (8 Mile of 5 Mile, E of Inkster follow 22 & 23, 9-4pm. 6924 Willow Creek Dr. S. off Warren, btwn 456 Hurst, N. of Square Lake, E. of Livernois. Furniture, Tupperware, crafts & More! Fri, 9-7. Estate & Antique sale, plus baby items, assortsigns. Thurs.-Sat., June 22-24, 9am. Huge cornucopia of household, vintage, col-& Middlebelt). June 24-26 tools, etc. June 23-24, 9am-FARMINGTON HILLS: Hunt 8am-4pm. Business, house N & S of Long Lake Rd. 5pm. 11961 Leighwood Drive Lilley and Morton Taylor. cookbooks, lots of misc. Club Sub Annual Garage Sale, Sat. & Sun. June 24 & 25, ed household misc. household, vintage, col-lectible items. tons of smalls, hold, garage, lawn items WESTLAND - Garage Sale **REDFORD** - Moving Sale. tools, stove, professional books, clothing, computer, CANTON Thurs-Sat., June 22-TROY ESTATE SALE 4265 NORTHVILLE June 23 & 24th, 9am-5pm, E. of Halstead, S. of porcelain, glass, china, crys-Fri-Sat. 10-4pm. Lots of baby Furniture, appliances, tools Rochester Rd., N of Wattles, June 22, 23, 24, 9am-5pm, 50 24, 9-6pm, 42649 Keystone, 9am-4pm. Housewares, wicker furniture, books, CD's, clothes. items & clothes & maternity clothes. 39261 Cambridge, 11 Mile. 20 homes. Furniture, garden accessories. Thurs. S. of Ford, W. of Lillev, off dishwasher, etc. täl, Depression. Precious Sun. (or til gone) 9am. 16192 Wormer, 6 Mile & Telegraph. Addison. Antiques, potters kiln, computers, misc. houseriding mower, snow thrower, Moments \$10, costume jewel Years Accumulation! Antique 325 Pennell St., off Griswold, LIVONIA baby & household items. near Hannan & Palmer. ry, pocket knives \$5 (must be furniture, glassware, much more! No pre-sales. Cash prebtwn 8 Mile & Main St. 29843 Lori, 5 mi. & Middlebelt, June 23-24, 9-Much. much more! 18). FARMINGTON LARGE SALE. WESTLAND - Thurs.-Sat., 9-5. **REDFORD** Furniture, misc. Please, no early birds! NORTHVILLE- Golf clubs, ferred. 5pm, Household items, furni-Appliances, sports equip. tools. 23354 Mission Lane household goods, tools, much more! June 24 & 25, 9am-Exercise bike, twin mattress & loveseat, household/decora tive items & baskets. June 22-**CANTON: FAIRWAYS AT ROCHESTER - Office Garage** ture, children's toys and misc TROY MULTI-FAMILY SALE, box springs, bunk beds, Little Freedom Rd. & Drake area, PHEASANT RUN Sale. Desks, file cabinets, & Sherbourne Dr., 1 blk. N of Maple, W of Dequindre, off Tykes workbench, Christmas, 5pm, 27209 W 6 Mile Rd., first 24th, 9-3pm. 1184 Concord Ct., In North Lexington Condos at 8 Mile & Taft. LIVONIA 3 DAY GARAGE SALE Subdivision Sale Thurs. & Fri., 9am-5pm. other misc office equipment women's 3X wardrobe, edgers, dehumidifier, lamps, luggage. 563 Worchester, S. house W of Inkster, S side. TO BENEFIT THE BREAST June 23-24, 10am-5pm Must go! Thurs.-Sat., 9-3pm. Teasdale. June 23-25, 9am-FARMINGTON Yard Sale - Fri-CANCER 3 DAY June 22 **ROCHESTER HILLS 717** Woodward Avenue 415 4pm. Quality items. Sat! Sold Vacation Home CLARKSTON - Multi-family. 24, 9am to 5pm. 18624 across from Town Auto. Sandstone Dr., N. of Walton, W. of Livernois, Tienken NOVI MOVING SALE - All of Cherry Hill, E. of John Hix. Gillman Street, between Middlebelt and Inkster, off of stuff! ri-Sat, 9-4pm. 5339 Parview, Downsizing, have TROY NEIGHBORHOOD SALE. ROCHESTER HILLS 33962 Moore, E of Gill, S of Must Go! Longaberger bas-Off Dixie, behind Mr. B's. Household, collectibles, col-Hidden Ridge, btwn Big Beaver & Wattles west of Rochester Manor Subdivision. Fri-Sat., kets, home decor, 47610 WESTLAND Garage Sale Fairview Farms Sub Sale. Thurs.-Sat., Grand River 9am-4pm. Seven Mile Road, All proceeds Sale. 9-3pm. 248-651-7696 Edinborough, 10 & Beck. Fri. will be donated to the Michigan Fri.-Sat., 6/23-6/24, 9am to Rd. Antiques, baby stuff & much more. Thurs.-Sat., June lege furniture, fridge, dock. FERNDALE Moving/ Estate & Sat., 9am-4pm June 22-24. **ROYAL OAK** 4pm. 30653 Mountain Ct., Breast Cancer 3-Dav! 9-4pm Sale, June 24 & 25, 10am-4pm, 200 Stratford (near 8 & N. of Tienken, W. of Livernois June 23 & 24, 9am-4pm, 633 S. Gainsborough. Furniture, CLARKSTON HUMMINGBIRD OAKLAND TWP: off Flamingo & Geraldine 22, 23, 24, 9am-4pm LIVONIA 35210 Lancashire, 6 LANE GARAGE SALE - Thur-SUB-WIDE SALE Century Oaks, NW corner of Mile & Wayne Rd. June 22, 23, 24, 9am-5pm. Lots of **ROCHESTER HILLS - MEGA** Livernois). Collectibles, art, "Woodlands housewares, clothing, acces-Sat., June 22-24, 8am-6pm. TROY Sub WESTLAND Huge 5 family Garage/ Moving Sale. Thurs., Fri., Sat., June 22, 23, 24, 9am-3pm. Steinway Baby Grand, furniture. W. of vintage clothing, furniture. MOVING SALE! Furniture Antiques, Retro, collectibles Adams off Gunn, June 22-24, 9am-? sale. Furniture, baskets sories. Lots more! household items appliances, tools, etc. June tools household, furniture, records FERNDALE- VINTAGE YARD -24. 9-4pm. 1921 Kingstree books, antiques, glassware, linens.June 22-24, Thurs-Sat. books, Intex, pool, filter, lad-der, TONS-NEW: jewelry, scarves; MORE! 5627 antiques, furniture & misc. SHELBY TWP everything SALE - BUTH'S FAMOUS Court, Avon & Old Perch. must go! June 24,25, 10-4 SALE! Retro furniture, records, LIVONIA 35685 Middleboro 9-5pm, 36652 Hazelwood. OPEN HOUS scarves; MORE! 5627 Hummingbird Lane. Dixie ROCHESTER HILLS 1904 Crooks, N. off Wattles. Whispering Lakes Apts., 2387 Shelly Ct., off Utica. Contembric-a-brac, & more! Fri. & Sat. 10-5pm. 806 Farmdale, N. of 8, E. of Livernois. N/Schoolcraft, btwn. Levan /Stark. June 22-24, 9-4. CHILDREN CLOTHING Star-Batt, E. off Crooks, N. of M-59, lost business lease, WESTLAND JOY & MERRI Featuring factory overstock TROY: CONDO-WIDE SALE Hwy & Maybee, off Maybee. porary furniture. Exc. cond. 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June 23 & 24, lectibles, discounts for deale WHITE LAKE 8035 High Point 12 Mile, E. of Van Dyke. 6/23-24, 9-4. Garage/Estate Sale 7pm. 25870 Island Lake Dr sories, brand name kids Sat. 9-1. Clothes, baby toys, etc. Trail, Fri & Sat., 9am-4pm. No Early Birds! Stickley chairs, lot purchases or whole lot (bring tax I.D.) Thurs-Sat. 9 clothes, toys, etc Novi. Island Lake Sub. clothes, collectibles, misc 9am-5pm, 25335 River Dr. TROY Moving sale!! June 23, (248) 349-1658 Vintage items, toys, furniture, houshold. House listed w/Re/Merica Hometown One listed 3. Half off Saturday. DAVISBURG Mom to Mom Resale Event - Mill Pond Park, 9-4pm., quality furnishing, Bernhardt Ent. center, Vectra Pier 1 table/ chairs, furniture GARDEN CITY - 3 Family Sale. tools, household & holiday. home decor, McDonalds col-lectibles, outdoor toys, bird cades. Jr/ misses/ kids June 22-24, 9-5. 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Thursday DriveTime

BY DALE BUSS

When I first caught wind of the Honda Ridgeline a year or so ago, it was an attractive proposition: a truly new crossover vehicle, engineered by one of the industry s most innovative companies, specifically for American car buyers and American roads. What Honda was setting out to do, it told the rest of the automotive world, was really redefine the pickup truck for the U.S. market.

Some interesting developments added to my anticipation about driving a Ridgeline. There was the nifty TV advertisement in which the buxom silhouetted girl that you see on the mud flaps of semi trucks comes to life and hops into a Ridgeline with Yosemite Sam, the other cartoon mascot of the trucking life. And, of course, the fact that *Motor Trend* magazine named Ridgeline its 2005 Truck of the Year.

Now that I ve been able to test a Ridgeline, I can see what Honda was hoping to accomplish. Ridgeline, more so than any other vehicle I ve driven, really does come through on the promise of combining the utility and presence of a pickup truck with the poise, responsiveness and amenities of a car. Though Ridgeline is a bit pricey at around \$35,000 suggested retail for the RTL model I drove, if you re looking for that kind of vehicle, Ridgeline is your match.

The premise behind Ridgeline was for Honda finally to take a stab at the robust U.S. pickup-truck market but with a decidedly different approach even than its Japanese counterparts. So Ridgeline is the only pickup truck with all-of-a-piece, unibody construction instead of the separate body-on-frame construction that is used for other pickups. This makes for a lighter and tighter structure than other

makes for a lighter and tighter structure than other trucks; Honda claims that Ridgeline has 2.5 times more stiffness than the best competing truck.

And it is this structure that most defines what Ridgeline is about: a vehicle with decided pick-up truck capabilities, including a five-foot-long bed, but that drives much like a Honda automobile.

Ridgeline hums along at 21 mpg on the highway and 16 mpg in the city.

Ridgeline handles very responsively, and its braking is taught. Its 247-horsepower, 3.5-liter, V6 engine provides ample burst, and probably Honda's claim of 9.5 seconds for zero to 60 in a Ridgeline is a bit modest.

Another plus is that Ridgeline hums along at 21 miles a gallon on the highway, a number that typical pickups can t touch, while also turning in a performance of 16 mpg in the city.

Ridgeline isn t really much to look at, being possessed of the ingrained Honda conservatism when it comes to clean, utilitarian styling. And, yes Ridgeline gives up a little bit in the ruggedness arena to other pickups; its towing capacity is capped at 5,000 pounds, for example, far short of the 6,500 possible with competitors such as Dodge Dakota.

But overall, Honda s innovativeness wins the day for Ridgeline. Besides the concept itself and the vehicle s general construction, there are lots of pleasant particulars about Ridgeline. One of the biggest is the huge trunk, which is tucked away under the truck bed at the very rear of the vehicle and is easily accessible by lifting up part of the bed. The space is big, at 8.5 cubic feet, and rectangular, with the spare tire tucked neatly away a little fore of the trunk cavity itself. It s the perfect touch for making Ridgeline as cargo-friendly as it is peoplefriendly.

I also was impressed by the shape of the truck

bed itself after this test vehicle had logged more than 10,000 total miles. It s what Honda calls a sheet-molded composite that is resistant to dents, corrosion and slipping, eliminating the need for an aftermarket bed liner. By the looks of the bed, I d say Honda is really on to something here.

Inside, Ridgeline is plenty roomy, even in the back seat of the crew cab, which could seat three comfortably —for at least a while. The vehicle s utilitarian feel is enhanced by the fact that the floors are covered with rubber mats, not carpet, much like Honda's Element compact SUV.

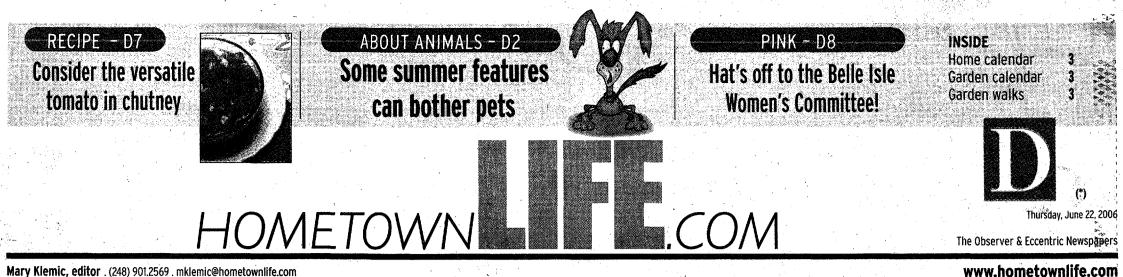
One superlative that Ridgeline coaxes out of me is most, and most convenient, front-row compartments. Honda absolutely surrounds the driver and front-seat passenger with cubby holes and compartments of every imaginable size and shape, literally more than a dozen different spots up front where you can stash everything from coins to cell phones to sun glasses to CDs to whatever else people are keeping around them as they drive these days.

Just when I thought I had discovered the last of these compartments, I realized that the top of the middle console slides forward to reveal yet another series of storage spots.

Ridgeline is worth investigating if you want to own one of the most forward-thinking vehicles on the road.



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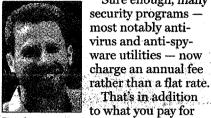


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Computer security doesn't have to cost an arm and a leg

ecently my friend Craig was complaining about the cost of computer security. "I have to pay \$70 a year for this

McAfee software!" he said. Sure enough, many



Tech Savvy

Rick Broida



That's in addition to what you pay for the software itself (though the first year

is usually included). There's a reason for

this. The pond scum who create viruses,

spyware and other maddening wastes of everyone's time never rest; they're constantly unleashing new kinds of attacks.

Consequently, McAfee, Symantec and other security software vendors must continually update their programs to defend against the new threats.

Conspiracy theorists will tell vou that these vendors are the ones responsible for all the malicious code. creating the problem so you'll have to buy their software to stop it. I have been instructed to say there's absolutely no truth to that. Can I have my cat back now?

Anyway, that's why you're now paying an annual subscription fee. In most cases it's not exorbitant

(Symantec, for instance, charges just \$29.95 per year for Norton Anti-Virus), but if you're using a security suite or multiple security programs, the charges can add up.

But they don't have to. You can cut your costs to almost zero by adopting freeware security software.

There's a surprisingly robust library of programs designed to make your computing experience a safe one, and they're all free for the downloading, ZONEALARM

The granddaddy of security freebies is ZoneAlarm (zonelabs.com), a firewall program that protects your computer against hackers looking to break in.

Windows XP SP2 offers similar

protection, but ZoneAlarm goes further by also preventing unauthorized outbound traffic.

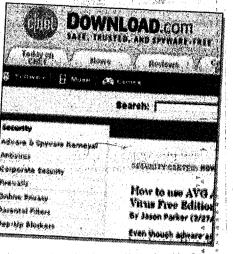
In other words, if your PC has been compromised, ZoneAlarm will keep the infection from spreading. It will also keep your personal information from being transmitted to hackers.

Speaking of infections, Avast Home Edition (avast.com) and AVG Anti-Virus Free Edition (grisoft.com) offer ratis protection from viruses, comhere with automatic updates - just like you get from McAfee and Symantec.

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As for spyware, I've written many

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Need help learning to use these freebies? CNET's tutorials are a great place to start.



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The Tuscany dining set by Hanamint is an example of the attractive and durable styles of outdoor furniture that are available.



Summer settings Today's outdoor furniture is bright in style and design

> BY MARY KLEMIC STAFF WRITER

ummertime, and the livin' is easier than ever. Al fresco furnishings are al "fresh"co, with styles and features that make them especially comfortable, attractive and durable. "The outdoor family room is big," said Marsha Curry of Curry & Associates, presenting pieces by Hanamint, Treasure Garden, Winston and CRP at a "spring kickoff" event at the Royal Oak/Troy English Gardens recently. "People are spending time lounging and visiting.' And they're taking it easy in surroundings that have distinctive

style. Individual pieces can be customized. UMBRELLAS

You can have it made in the shade with



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Fire pits, such as this one by Chelsea, are popular elements for outdoor settings.

PHOTO COURTESY CASUAL CONCEPTS

Dining, bar and end tables are available at Casual Concepts that accommodate umbrellas of all sizes, from 9 to 11 feet in diameter. The tables come in different heights, and each has a built-in, preweighted umbrella stand.

maintenance-free items as the cast-top aluminum tables with built-in, pre-weighted umbrella stands, offered at Casual Conceptsin Rochester.

The tables are in three different heights dining, bar and end. They accommodate all size umbrellas from 9 to 11 feet in diameter. The coordinating umbrellas come in a variety of colors and patterns.

Umbrellas aren't restricted to tables. Offset and cantilever umbrellas are freestanding, and can be adjusted to any angle.

The market umbrella is a favorite style, Curry said This features wind vents so it remains stable, and the

PLEASE SEE SETTINGS, D5

Have you heard the latest - and do you care?

sossip. The mere mention of the word conjures up negative images. We tend to think of whispered secrets in high school hallways or knowing nods at neighborhood parties.

We all think gos-

sip is bad but, like a

wreck on the high-

way, we can't resist

Yet, as distasteful

the urge to watch.

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According to an



Dick Purtan

undergraduate survey at Case Western University, 64 percent of those surveyed said they learned something through gossip that they can apply to their everyday life.

What's more, a majority (55 percent) of those surveyed passed what they heard along to another person. Clearly, gossip is a part of our

OFF THE AIR WITH DICK PURTAN & PURTAN'S PEOPLE

everyday life. And if you think about it, gossip is kind of like the evening news of our daily lives.

How else would we know what our tramp of a sister-in-law was up to, or how Bob and Jill in accounting are getting along? This is important stuff!

What confuses Purtan's People is all the apparent fascination with celebrity gossip.

No matter where you go you're confronted with Britney and Kevin, Angelina and Brad, Brad and Jennifer, Denise and Charlie, Bob and Carol, Ted and Alice. The latest comings, goings and doings of celebrities have been elevated to the status of a national sport.

The aforementioned survey said that while 85 percent of respondents gossiped about a friend, only 4 percent participated in celebrity gossip. Four percent! That hardly seems like enough to support all the tabloids, TV shows and networks dedicated to shoveling the celebrity, well, dirt.

As a radio show we find ourselves in the middle of this shovel fest. Not a morning goes by that we don't mention Lindsay Lohan or Paris Hilton (Today's version of Zsa Zsa Gabor. We mean, exactly what talent does this woman have? OK, besides those Internet videos.).

We talk and talk about this stuff but we wonder if people (that would be you) are really interested.

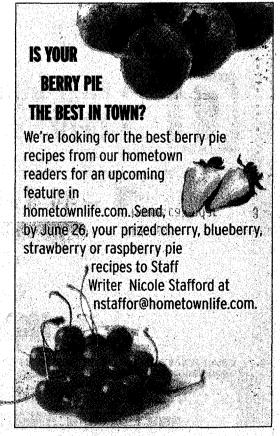
Do you really care about Shiloh Jolie-Pitt? Is your life enhanced by knowing that Tom and Katie (sorry, Kate) are doing well? Do you turn up your radio when you hear us talk about Sandra Bullock's pregnancy? Help us out. Tell us what you

think about celebrity gossip. Is it something Purtan's People should do more of? Less? E-mail dickpurtan@womc.com. This is your chance to tell us what to do.

Pass it on. Tell a friend. Spread the word. But, do it in hushed tones. We don't want it to get around, if you know what we mean.

END NOTES: Tomorrow morning I, Dick Purtan, am actually on vacation but I leave the show in the capable hands of my daughter Jackie. Like most parents I trust but verify. Do me a favor and check her out tomorrow morning and make sure she's doing what she's supposed to. Thank you.

Hear Dick Purtan & Purtan's People between 5 and 10 a.m. Monday-Saturday on The Motor City's 104.3 WOMC, and on the Internet at womc.com.





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Some summer features can bother pets

Summer afternoon - summer afternoon; to me those have always been the two most beautiful words in the English language. - Henry James

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Deep summer is when laziness finds respectability. - Sam Keen

Summer turns me upside down. Summer summer summer. It's like a merry-go-round. - The Cars

have always believed summer to be the best season. Winter features too many unpleasant things like cold, snow, ice, and wind chill factors. Spring and fall always seem to be soggy and unpredictable.

People come alive in the summer, getting outdoors and being active. Festivals stimulate communities. Children ride their bikes, or play in summer leagues. All these arguments strongly nominate summer as the best season.

Of course, some warm weather features can be problems for critters.

Thunderstorms concern a lot of people because of the stress they cause pets. Every time "the angels go bowling," people call the clinic and express worry about how much the thunder frightens their dog.

Most of the time the dog hears the first strike of thunder, and runs in to hide under the bed, behind the couch or in the bathtub. Many owners worry that the fear will cause a medical mal-

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About Animals

> Dr. Brad Davis

fans. (Almost.) The way to help control this problem begins with patience and the willingness to make a difference. If you want your dog to stop fearing thunder, you have to change its perception of thunder.

People who fear flying tend to lose some of that fear as they fly. The more often vou fly, the more commonplace it becomes, and thus the less scary it gets. You become less afraid as you discover it won't hurt you.

SOUND ADVICE

Teach your dog that thunder won't hurt them by making thunderstorms occur every time you feed or play with your dog, and only when there's a thunderstorm do they get their favorite treat.

No, you don't need to be Halle Berry in the X-Men movies to conjure up the storm. All you need is a sound system.

It's pretty easy to find a CD or cassette of thunderstorm noises at a local store, or even look online if you must. Play the CD or cassette at the lowest level whenever something good is happening for the dog. Do this for about a week. Then go to the next level.

Over a few weeks you'll be getting progressively louder, until your neighbors will be wondering what's going on in your house. (If you'd really like the neighbors to wonder about you, feel free to wear a white robe and flash the house lights on and off to match the storm sounds.)

When you reach the level when you have a loud thunderstorm inside the house, your pet will likely either not care about it anymore, or will associate it with something fun.

Clients who have tried this have reported that their dog, previously stressed out with each clap of thunder, would now run to find a toy when the booming would start. No longer scary, it now means "Let's have fun."

As they get used to the loud noises, they might be less alarmed by the inane firecracker season.

Firecrackers get set off to honor the Fourth of July, and in southeast Michigan, it feels like the Fourth of July runs from the 20th of June to the 10th of August.

I have no problem with people having fun with the firecrackers, but the stress these give to dogs, not to mention people, makes me wish that fun was contained to a much shorter schedule.

Still, getting used to the louder recorded thunder sounds certainly can make a difference with the firecracker sounds.

Most times thunderstorms get forecast, I have people clamor for the drugs that can help, such as Acepromazine, Clorazepate Dipotassium, or even Prozac. Each of these drugs can work, but each has its drawbacks.

Getting things better without drug intervention would be the obviously better way to go. More work, but training delivers better, safer long-term rewards.

OTHER PROBLEMS

Other summer problems include fleas, which have become no problem with drugs like Advantage and Frontline available to protect and treat dogs and cats, not just effectively, but also safely.

Heartworm should be prevented year-round, but it definitely gets spread worse in the hot weather. Make sure your dog is on heartworm preventive, some types of which can help protect the dog and your family from intestinal parasites.

Remember, heartworm disease affects more cats than ever before, and has greater consequences for a cat than for a dog. Contact your vet about getting your cat on preventive.

Every year, everyone needs to be reminded about overheating, because it happens every year. Someone will leave their dog in a car while they run into a store, and the temperature gets to be too much and the dog dies of hyperthermia.

(Every year there's usually a case involving a negligent parent leaving a child in that same situation, but that's a different story.)

Remember the heat in a car rises exponentially. Your furry friend will be facing temps that can be lethal quickly.

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Don't just decide to "crack a window open." Avoid the danger by avoiding the situation: No pets left in the car on hotdays.

Make sure pets in the yard have ample water, and shelter from the heat. A dog tied to a pole with no shade can get into trouble in a big hurry, but some breeds can be in trouble in a hurry just running around outside for a short time.

Taking precautions and doing things safely removes fear, and can help you to enjoy your summer without having to be worried about your critters.

And enjoying summer can make you feel very poetic and profound.

Ah, summer, what power you have to make us suffer and like it. - Russell Baker

A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing, and the lawn mower is broken. - James Dent

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Farmington

The Farmington Garden Club will host its biannual garden walk, A Garden Party, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 24, rain or shine.

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Tickets are \$10 and available at Steinkopf Nursery, 20815 Farmington Road. They will be available Saturday at the Visitors Center in Heritage Park, off Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile.

Eight private gardens and one public garden will be featured. At the Visitors Center, club members will serve complimentary refreshments and Steinkopf Nursery will sell a wide variety of beautiful plants. A box lunch or salad will be available for a nominal charge between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

For more information, call Betti at (248) 442-2742 or visit farmingtongardenclub.com.

Livonia

Friends for the Development of Greenmead will present its 17th Annual Garden Walk 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 24, featuring seven gardens and yards of homes throughout Livonia. Proceeds benefit the restoration and preservation of

Greenmead Historical Village. Tickets are \$9 in advance, \$10 Saturday. They are available at any Livonia library, the Civic Center Library Gift Shop (the library is on Five Mile, just east of Farmington Road), the Greenmead office (on Eight Mile, just west of Newburgh) and the **Department of Community Resources** on the fifth floor of Livonia City Hall. Call (734) 466-2540 or (734) 425-4855.

Plymouth

The Trailwood Garden Club will present the 11th annual Flowers Are Forever Garden Walk noon to 8 p.m., rain or shine, Tuesday, June 27. Several lovely gardens in Plymouth will be featured. Complimentary refreshments will be served. Tickets are \$7 pre-sale, \$8 Tuesday, half off for ages 12 and under, free for "little gardeners" carried in arms (strollers aren't permitted in gardens). Raffle tickets are \$1 or three for \$2. Tickets are available at Saxton's Garden Center, (734) 453-6250; at Backyard Birds in Plymouth, (734) 416-0600; and from Marilyn Detmer, (734) 454-4625.

Grosse Pointe

The 15th annual Summer Garden Tour,

GARDEN WALK CALENDAR

sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Garden Center Inc., will take place 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, June 24-25, rain or shine. Tickets are \$12 in advance, \$15 Saturday and Sunday. They will be available from local merchants and at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lake Shore Drive in Grosse Pointe Farms. For information, call the Grosse Pointe Garden Center, (313) 881-7511, Ext. 206,

between 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Thursday. The tour will feature private Grosse

Pointe gardens, Children's Home of Detroit gardens, trail and children's gardens at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, and (new this year) gardens at Patterson Park. Master gardeners will be present at various locations to answer ques-

tions. Lunch will be available for purchase at Patterson Park.

Northville

The 13th annual Gardens of Northville Garden Walk will take place 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Wednesday, July 12. The Country Garden Club of Northville, a member of the Woman's National

Farm and Garden Association, is sponsoring the event. Tickets are \$10 in advance, available

at Gardenviews, 202 W. Main in Northville. Five gardens will be featured. Cadv Inn at Mill Race Village will be transformed into The Potting Shed, where'

complimentary, homemade sweets and lemonade will be served. Music will be played as local vendors offer a selection of plants and garden items. Raffle tickets will be available at Mill Race Village only on the day of the event.

Northville and Novi The Gardeners of Northville & Novi will present The NO-NO's Gardening Adventure 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 15. Tickets are \$10 in advance. They are available at www.gardenersnorthvillenovi.org, Anglin Nurserv in Novi. Backyard Birds in Plymouth, Gardenviews and Water Wheel Health Club in Northville, Bordine Nursery in Brighton and Saguaro in Whitmore Lake. They are also available by mail:

Gardeners of Northville & Novi, P.O. Box 344, Northville 48167. The event will feature six exceptional home gardens and 17 individual gardens at the Tollgate Education Center. Gardening lectures and demonstrations will take place throughout the day (the ticket booklet lists the time for each session).

Plant and garden art vendors, gardenrelated displays from local organizations and artisans, a quilt exhibit, a raffle of garden-related items, and homemade refreshments will also be featured.

The plant vendors will have a selection of the plants shown in the gardens.

South Lyon

Accessorize

The Four Seasons Garden Club of South Lyon is sponsoring the eighth annual South Lyon Garden Walk 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 15. Tickets are \$10 and will be available the day of the event at McHattie Park,

off Pontiac Trail south of 10 Mile, starting at 10 a.m. For information, call (248) 437-8751 or

visit www.homestead.com/fsgc/gardenwalk.html.

Six private country gardens will be featured, and garden treasures and plants will be sold in the park. Proceeds will be used for community

beautification and horticultural education.

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Canton The Canton Garden Club's eighth annual Garden Walk will take place 1-6 p.m. Sunday, July 16, rain or shine. Visit beautiful private gardens in the ? ? Canton area. Shop for garden-related items from vendors at the Garden Market on the grounds of the Canton Historical Museum, where the Country Lines Michigan Heritage Quilt is displayed.

Free admittance to the Garden Market and the museum.

Garden Walk tickets are \$6 in advance, \$7 the day of the event. They are available at Backyard Birds, Graye's. Greenhouse, and Plymouth Nursery Home & Garden Showplace, all in Plymouth: Crimboli Nursery & Sweetwater Village, Keller & Stein Florist and Greenhouse, and Mary's Farm Market, all in Canton; and Feather Your Nest Antiques in Superior Township. Tickets will also be available July 16 only at the museum and each garden

location. For more information, call Dianne at (734) 254-1023.

Container gardening

A free Container Gardening Show and Open House will take place Sunday, June 25, at 6642 Carlyle Court in the Chelsea Park subdivision, off Maple just east of Halsted in West **Bloomfield.**

The show will take place 2-3 p.m. The house will be open for personal viewing 1-4 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

Container gardening uses all types of containers to plant a variety of vegetables and flowers. Featured topics at the show will include sunlight, fertilizers, watering and what to grow. The event is presented by English Gardens of West Bloomfield and sponsored by Keller Williams Realty. Herb gardening

English Gardens will host a free seminar, Herb Gardening, 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 28, at its six stores, including locations in West Bloomfield, (248) 851-7506; Dearborn Heights, (313) 278-4433; Royal Oak/Troy, (248) 280-9500; and Ann Arbor, (734) 332-7900. Enhance your cooking by growing a delicious variety of fresh herbs. Available varieties will be discussed, tips on use will be shared, and advice on growing and harvesting will be provided.

Gardening programs

Gardening programs at The Community House in Birmingham

munityhouse.com. Topics at the hardy perennials pro-

gram will include making invasive plants garden friendly, design tips, and some of the do's and don'ts of garden design. At the country garden program, Saint

will show how to create a big country feel in your garden regardless of the size.

Deterring deer

Specialty Growers will host its second open house of the year 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 25. Admission is free.

Specialty Growers is at 4330 Golf Club Road in Howell. Call (517) 546-7742, visit www.specialtygrowers.net. Guest speaker Pam Carter will present Creating Beautiful Gardens in Deer Country at 1 p.m. She will discuss methods of deterring deer from your property and tips to "train" them away from your prized plans. Carter will also provide a list of plants least likely to be eaten by deer. Experienced staffers at Specialty Growers will be on hand throughout the open house to answer gardening questions. Refreshments will be served.

Rose programs

Roger and Nancy Lindley, owners of Great Lakes Roses, present a series of educational programs for the public now through mid-October. The popular programs are at the his-

GARDEN CALENDAR

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The schedule includes Rugged Rugosa Roses (1 p.m. Sunday, June 25, repeated 11 a.m. Monday, June 26) and Garden Preparation and Planting of Roses (1 p.m. Sunday, July 2, repeated 11 a.m. Monday, July 3). The rugosa rose program will feature a slide talk and garden tour. The preparation and planting program will feature a slide lecture and handson garden demonstration.

Hidden Lake Gardens

Volunteers sought

and miss gardening?

The Royal Oak Garden Club will go on a field frip to Hidden Lake Gardens in the Irish Hills 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 2. The tour bus will leave from the Mahany/Meininger Community Center, 3500 Marais in Royal Oak. Cost is \$7, which includes the tour bus, admission and boxed lunch. Space is limited, so register early. Call Sherry Jurva at (248) 280-2540. The 755-acre botanical garden features a greenhouse complex, a lake, a picnic area, a 6-mile, paved scenic drive, and thousands of labeled trees. shrubs and flowers. Indoor plants include bamboo, banana, cocoa, coffee, sugarcane, tapioca and vanilla. A visitor center has informative exhibits.

School of Gardening

School of Gardening, 29429 Six Mile in Livonia, just west of Middlebelt; Troy Continuing Education, 201 W. Square Lake Road; Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro in Ann Arbor; Orchard Lake Road in Pontiac, north of Square Lake Road and east of

Register early. Seating is limited. Some classes have pre-requisites. Special class sessions can be arranged for groups of 15 or more. For more information, call (248) 4-GARDEN or visit www.michigangardening.com. The schedule includes: Difficult Sites II: Harsh Exposures, Tuesday, June 27, in Pontiac (fee is \$42). Send calendar items at least two weeks ahead of the event to Mary Klemic, At Home Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009, e-mail

(734) 591-7279 or (248) 644-1314.

Join interior redesign specialists Marleen Prater of Remixed Rooms and Lori Longeway of Room to Change for a free, fun-filled decorating workshop 7 p.m. Thursday, June 29, at Christine's Consignment, 1440 S. Sheldon at Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth. RSVP by Wednesday. Space is limited. Call (734) 451-1132. Learn how to accessorize mantels, tables, bookshelves and more. Turn your home into something extraordinary by using what you own, items * from Grandma's basement, and purchases from consignment shops, flea markets and a neighbor's garage sale. **Trunk show** Takako Ueki, owner of Habu Textiles,

will show its current line of sweater and accessory kits as well as yarn Monday, June 26, at The Knitting Room, 251 E. Merrill in Birmingham. The Knitting Room will be open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and 6:30-8:30 p.m., for the event, at which more than 50 samples will be displayed. Call (248) 540-3623. Habu Textiles was founded in 1999 as a showroom/gallery and weaving studio, working with a myriad of fibers includ-

ing silk, bamboo, wool, ramie, paper and stainless steel. The fabric could be used for garments, home accessories or art. In 2001, the yarn shop was added to make a variety of Asian and Japanese varns available.

Detroit walking tours

HOME CALENDAR

Preservation Wayne presents guided walking tours of five historical areas of Detroit (downtown, Eastern Market, " Midtown, Auto Heritage and the Cultural Center), 10 a.m. Saturdays now through September. It also presents Tuesday After Work

tours in downtown Detroit 5:30 p.m. every week. Tours of the New Center area are

available by appointment. Each tour offers a blend of the history of the area and what is happening now. Cost is \$10. Visit www.preservationwayne.org or call (313) 577-7674.

Send calendar items at least two weeks ahead of the event to Mary Klemic, At Home Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009, e-mail mklemic@hometownlife.com, fax (734) 591-7279 or (248) 644-1314.

The Michigan School of Gardening presents a variety of classes for different levels at The Community House in Birmingham, 380 S. Bates; Michigan

and Goldner Walsh Nursery, 559 Telegraph.

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include Hardy Perennials (Monday June 26; cost is \$25) and Designing a Country Garden (Wednesday, June 28; \$25), both presented by Michael Saint, the owner of Good Earth Landscape & Interior Design in Clarkston. To register and for more information, call (248) 594-6401 or visit www.com-

toric 1890s barn and display darden at Great Lakes Roses, 49875 Willow Road in Sumpter Township. Admission is free. Reservations aren't required. Each presentation lasts about 1-1/2 hours. Dress for the weather. For information, visit www.GreatLakesRoses.com or call

volunteers (club members only) to tend these Royal Oak community gardens now to October: Gilda's Garden, Community Center Garden, Community Center Iris Garden, Cemetery Garden and the Zoo Garden. Club membership is \$10 per year. Call Sherry Jurva at (248) 280-2540.

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The Gardenella Sling Collection by Telescope Casual Patio Furniture stacks easily.

SETTINGS

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covers are easily removed for cleaning.

Electric fire pits are popular elements for outdoor settings, Curry said.

FURNITURE

Wicker outdoor furnishings at Plymouth Nursery and Garden Center in Plymouth include the Mackinac Collection by Chicago Wicker, featuring chair, rocker, love seat, double glider, coffee table and end table. Colors are black or sage.

Adirondack chairs come in a variety of styles, such as the chair and matching ottoman at the Plymouth store.

Among the bistro-style furniture there is a game table, with a checkerboard pattern in the ceramic top and a storage space for pieces on the base.

Sling furniture (outdoor patio furniture without cushions) is popular, according to Dave Fritz, manager of Insideout Home Recreation in have to maintain (cushions) and they take the cushions off," Fritz said. "They're also getting away from the glass tabletops? Instead customers are looking at a fake granite top, Fritz

said. With that outdoor furniture, spa and grill islands, homeowners can create a fun oasis in the back yard for their families, friends and party guests.

"That's really been wellreceived," Fritz said. "It gives the back yard a unique look, a place where you don't want to leave it."

Items in the Gardenella Sling Collection by Telescope Casual Patio Furniture, also at English Gardens, come in bright colors and stack easily. Among other collections at English Gardens is the sandcast aluminum line by Hanamint. The table base is detailed and decorative.

Recycled plastic pieces by CRP don't fade, as the colors are through them instead of only on the surface, Curry said.

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Swivel and other chairs are

designed with a lazy Susan built in.

Cushions, such as those in Telescope Casual's Savona II and Bella Lucca collections, can be customized with coordinating cording, and with fringe on accessory pillows. The acrylic materials are designed to last in outdoor weather.

Examples of outdoor accessories include an artistic fountain that resembles a giant vase, and the cast-iron chiminea with a decorative pattern, both at Plymouth Nursery and Garden Center.

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Staff writer Ken Abramczyk contributed to this article.

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times before about my preferred freeware gems: Ad-Aware SE (lavasoftusa.com), Spybot-S&D (safer-networking.org) and Windows

Defender (formerly Windows AntiSpyware, microsoft.com/antispyware).

Ad-Aware and Spybot are good for rooting out existing spyware, but they don't provide real-time protection against new attacks. For that you need something like Defender.

Spam can be a security threat as well. To keep potential harmful e-mail from ever setting foot on your PC, consider installing MailWasher (mailwasher.net).

Designed to work with POP3 mail accounts (the \$37 Pro version adds AOL, Hotmail and MSN support), MailWasher gives you direct access to your mail server, where you can delete spam before downloading it in your e-mail program.

MailWasher promises to "learn" over time what you consider to be spam, and you can set up filters and friends lists so the program doesn't flag legitimate messages.

It's not the fastest way of filtering spam — it requires a fair amount of manual effort on your part — but the price is right.

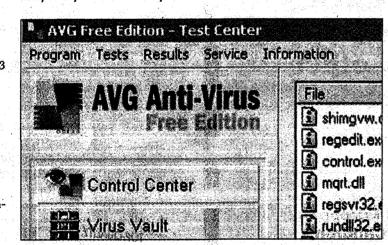
SECRETMAKER

An interesting new hybrid product is Secretmaker (secretmaker.com), which promises protection from not only spam, but also spyware, intruders, worms, pop-ups and more. / I haven't had a chance to try

it yet, but it has received mostly positive reviews online.

Now for the big question: Is it safe to rely on these freebies? Surely they can't be as effective as their commercial counterparts. You get what you pay for, Sec. 2. ASL I

All in One SECRETMAKER - V 4.2.1 - www.secretmaker.com Spam & Worm Protection 49098 Messages received 36370 As spam recognized 15337 Sessions checked Spipmers & Intrudian Protection 8253 Intruders blocked 208478 Ads blocked 1526 PopUp's blocked Keip nor allouve Profiling & Tranking Protection 89 Privboy masked The oddly named Secretmaker fights off spam, spyware, pop-ups and other nasty stuff you don't want on your PC.



AVG Anti-Virus protects your system from viruses and automatically updates itself with new virus definitions,

right? Usually that's true, but I have complete confidence in these products. I have used (or am using) most of them, and I haven't encountered a virus, spyware infection or other security problem in as long as I can remember. Your mileage may vary, of course, especially if your PC is already clogged with malware. But before you spend big bucks on commercial software, these freebies are definitely worth a

try. One final word: When you're dealing with free software. instruction manuals are often **法律** 1. H. A. S. S

incomplete, incomprehensible or just plain not included. CNET offers some helpful tutorials (tinyurl.com/lwkmh) on using Ad-Aware, AVG Anti-Virus Free Edition, HiJack This and ZoneAlarm. Check 'em out!

Rick Broida writes about computers and technology for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Broida, of Commerce Township, is the co-author of numerous books, including How to Do Everything with Your Palm Handheld, 5th Edition, and 101 Killer Apps for Pocket PC. He welcomes questions sent to rick.broida@gmail.com.

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Consider Josmeyer Alsace wines for summer

ome of the very best white wines in the world are produced in the Alsace region of France, nestled between the Vosges mountains to the west and the Rhine River to the east. Now that warm weather is finally here, look to the wines of Alsace for cool sipping and pairing with lighter summer meals.

The wines of Alsace are easy to understand because they all bear the varietal grape name on the label and most are made 100 percent from that variety. Riesling, gewurztraminer, pinot gris and pinot blanc are the grape names to look for.

JOSMEYER & ALSACE

Located in southern Alsace, near the town of Colmar, the history of Josmeyer goes back more than 150 years. There, Jean Meyer creates wines in a style to enhance but never overpower food. He has adapted the biodynamic approach in each of his 40 vineyard parcels, using no chemical pesticides, and relying on organic compost as his only fertilizer.

All grapes are hand-harvested over an extended time to ensure each achieves total ripeness. This allows the individual terroir to show



through in Josmeyer wines, whose signature is flavorful fruit and balanced acidity, that complements even rich and spicy food.

Alsace is one of the most beautiful places not only in France, but all of Europe. The small hillside towns, surrounded by fields of vines with a mountain background, have retained their medieval charm. In warm months, half-timbered houses have window boxes filled with so many flowers they seem to compete for attention.

The steep vineyards, in the foothills of the Vosges mountains. have warm days and cool nights, perfect for developing rich flavor, fresh fruit and firm structure in the wines. Alsace's famous pink sandstone, laid over granite and volcanic subsoils, gives the wines their characteristic minerality and typical flinty notes. Alsace wines are noted for comple-

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menting the local cuisine that includes charcuterie and sauerkraut, but also Asian spice and Indian curries.

WHAT TO BUY

Through a painting on the wine label, Josmeyer Artist Series wines bear an artist's interpretation of the wine's character.

2004 Josmeyer Pinot Blanc "Mise du Printemps," \$22, "bottled in spring" boasts floral, fresh Honey Crisp apple and Bosc pear aromas and flavors with firm acid that pairs it well with seafood chowders and spicy Asian dishes.

2004 Josmeyer Pinot Gris "Le Fromenteau," \$32. Pinot gris or gray pinot refers to the color of the grape

skin when ripe. Actually a pink-rose color that fits between the white pinot blanc and deep red pinot noir. This is the same grape the Italians call pinot grigio, but Josmeyer produces a richly styled wine with wild flower aromas and apricot flavors that accompany shrimp and chicken well.

■ 2004 Josmeyer Riesling "Le Kottabe," \$30. Riesling is definitely the noble variety of Alsace and produces one of the great wines of the world. The vineyard site provides the wine with hints of apple blossom, fresh herbs and citrus, uniquely styled with notes of mineral and a long, dry finish.

2004 Josmeyer Gewurztraminer "Les Folastries," \$32 is made in a drv style that highlights the wonderful spice of the variety. This outstanding example exhibits notes of honeysuckle, minerals, lychees and a pleasant melange of spice to enhance any Asian or Indian cuisine. The Healds are contributing editors for the internationally-respected Quarterly Review of Wines and Troy residents who write about wine, spirits, and restaurants for the **Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.** Contact

them by e-mail at focusonwine@aol.com.

WINE PICKS

Syrah is the same grape variety that the Australians call Shiraz. Believing that they make a style more like Shiraz, some California producers have adopted this name. Petite Sirah is not a relative. The following are our recommendations for the best of all three.

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2004 Rosenblum Abba Vineyard Lodi \$18 2003 Morgan Monterey \$22 2004 Rosenblum Rominger Vinevard Yolo County \$26 2001 Wattle Creek Alexander Valley \$28

2004 Rosenblum Pickett Road Vineyard Napa \$28 SHIRAZ

2003 Peter Lehmann Barossa \$16 2004 Angove McLaren Vale \$20 PETITE SIRAH

TASTE CALENDAR

2004 Rosenblum Heritage Clones \$20 2004 Two Angels Lake County \$26 (A big baby! Think steak with this wine.) If a retailer does not stock a specific wine we recommend, ask that it be ordered from the distributor or order it direct from the winery.

Create grilled tuna nicoise salad

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

At this time of year, if you're looking for a great outdoor meal, keep in mind this simple version of a classic dish, to serve with a glass of wine. It's healthy fare, too, as well as tasty - low-fat, combining protein, greens and seasonings in nice balance.

The recipe has an interesting pedigree, as part of a feature on community dining in the June issue of Cooking Light magazine.

Here's the story: Monday night, we learn, is family night at The Kitchen, a bustling restaurant in downtown Boulder, Colo. That's when the chefs and co-owners Hugo Matheson and Kimbal Musk host a family-style meal for a group of up to 24 adventurous people who sit around a long wooden table and enjoy a sur-

prise menu.

Matheson and Musk use seasonal ingredients, and their definition of community extends to local purveyors. They list names of farmers and producers who grow and create the foods they serve, and they make a point of using produce at its peak in season.

At the end of such a community meal, the feature says, "diners depart sated with good food and the companionship of friends."

Here is one of their recipes:

GRILLED TUNA NICOISE SALAD

Dressing:

2 tablespoons red wine vinegar 1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil 1/2 teaspoon chopped fresh tarragon

½ teaspoon Dijon mustard ¼ teaspoon salt

¼ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

Salad:

4 cups water

1/2 pound green beans, trimmed 1/2 pound quartered Yukon Gold

potatoes Six 6-ounce yellowfin tuna steaks

1/4 teaspoon salt

- ¼ teaspoon freshly ground black
- pepper
- Cooking spray 4 cups mixed salad greens
- (about 2 ounces)
- ¹/₄ cup nicoise olives 3 hard-cooked large eggs, halved

To prepare the dressing, combine the first 6 ingredients in a small bowl, stirring well with a whisk. Set dressing aside.

To prepare salad, bring 4 cups water to a boil in a large saucepan. Add beans; cook 2 minutes.

Remove with a slotted spoon; plunge beans into ice water. Drain and set aside. Add potatoes to pan; cook 10 minutes or until tender. Drain potatoes, and set aside.

Prepare grill.

Sprinkle fish with ¼ teaspoon salt and ¼ teaspoon pepper. Place fish on a grill rack coated with cooking spray; grill 3 minutes on each side or until desired

degree of doneness. Combine beans, potatoes, salad greens, olives and dressing in a large bowl; toss well. Place salad mixture on a large platter. Arrange tuna steaks and egg halves over salad mixture.

Makes 6 servings (serving size 1 cup salad mixture, 1 tuna steak and 1 egg half).

Nutrition information per serving: 295 cal., 7.5 g total fat (1.7 g saturated), 44.5 g pro., 10.1 g carbo., 2.3 g fiber, 183 mg chol., 362 mg sodium.

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Classes at Busch's

Busch's All-American Grill focuses on basic grill techniques and demonstrates recipes on gas and charcoal grills, use of marinades, brines and rubs, 6-7:30 p.m., Thursday, June 22, 24445 Drake (at Grand River), Farmington Hills (248) 427-7400.

Beginning series

Valerie Wilson teaches vegetarian, whole foods cooking classes, learn about tofu, tempeh, seaweed vegetables and miso, 6-9 p.m., Tuesday, June 27, \$30 per class, class is held in Garden City, visit www.macroval.com or call (734) 261-2856.

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Wine classes

Summer tasting of wine regions in series of four sessions at 7:30 p.m., instructed by Nidal Daher and Marc Jonna, with the following classes scheduled: Mediterranean Region Wines, June 22; All American wines, June 29, \$28 each session, The Community House, 380 S.Bates, Birmingham, (248) 644-5832,

www.communityhouse.com. Grapevine

The schedule of classes from the Grapevine School of Wine, includes 7 p.m., Monday, June 26, Big Rock Chop House, 245 S. Eton, Birmingham, \$35 (includes valet parking); Sensational Summer Whites, 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 27, Station 885, 885 Starkweather, Plymouth, \$32; register online at www.grapevi-

neschoolofwine.com. For additional information, call (248) 990-4613.

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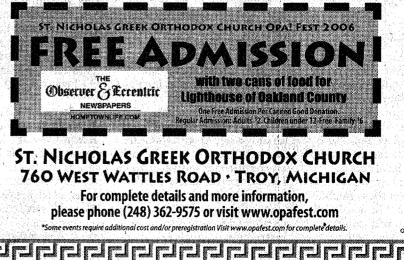
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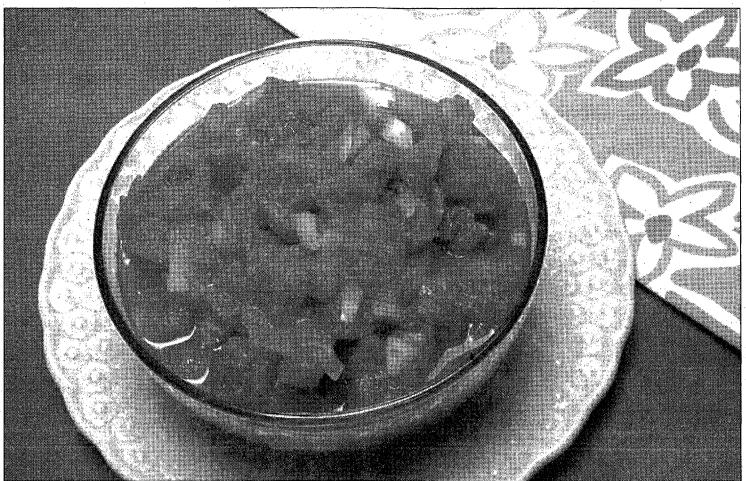
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When tomatoes are cooked, more of the lycopene becomes available in the cancer-fighting process, so sauces, chutneys and other processed versions of tomatoes are health-protective as well as convenient.

Consider the versatile tomato in chutney

It's never too early to start thinking about what to do with all the tomatoes that will soon be overwhelming gardens and markets.

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There are, of course, soups, salads and pasta sauces. But consider making a tomato chutney that would be a nice accompaniment to grilled summer foods.

Chutney, which comes from the East Indian word chatni, is a sweet and spicy condiment containing fruit, vinegar, sugar and spice. It is commonly served with Indian curries but has become widely used with other dishes as well.

Using ripe summer tomatoes as a chutney base is a good way to deal with a surplus crop as well as to add a healthful bite to any meal. Tomatoes are a rich source of vitamins A and C, and a powerful cancer-fighting antioxidant called lycopene.

Studies have linked diets high in lycopene with lower prostate cancer risk, as well as lower risk of stomach and pancreatic cancers.

Lycopene is what gives tomatoes, watermelon, papaya and pink grapefruit their color. When tomatoes are cooked, more of the lycopene becomes available in the cancer-fighting process, so sauces, chutneys and other processed versions of tomatoes are health-protective as well as convenient.

When choosing tomatoes, look for those that are vineripened and deeply colored. They should feel heavy for their size.

Unripe tomatoes can be ripened in a paper bag at room temperature. Do not refrigerate fresh tomatoes because their texture will become mealy and their taste watery. Fragrant herbs such as basil, oregano, dill, parsley and thyme are ideal seasonings for tomatoes, but more pungent spices like curry powder, cumin, or chili powder also

SWEET CURRIED TOMATO CHUTNEY

blend beautifully with toma-

toes, as in this chutney.

2 large, ripe tomatoes ½ cup chopped onion 1 tablespoon fresh ginger, peeled and minced 2 cloves garlic, minced 1 tablespoon sugar 2 tablespoons red wine vinegar ¼ cup golden raisins 1 teaspoon chili powder 1 teaspoon curry powder ½ teaspoon paprika ¼ teaspoon ground cinnamon ¼ teaspoon ground allspice Bring large pot of water to boil. Add tomatoes and cook 30 seconds, or until skin begins to peel. Drain.

When cool enough to handle, remove skin and chop. Place tomatoes in a medium saucepan and add remaining ingredients.

Set pan over medium-high heat and bring to boil. Reduce heat to low and simmer 20-25 minutes, or until tomatoes break down and mixture becomes thick.

Serve warm or chilled with chicken, fish, or mild-tasting vegetables such as cauliflower.

Makes 6 servings or $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups. Per serving: 48 calories, 0 g. total fat (0 g. saturated fat), 12 g. carbohydrate, less than 1 g. protein, 1 g. dietary fiber, 9 mg. sodium.

Courtesy of the American Institute for Cancer Research.

Give tofu delicious crunchy texture

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BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

There's no end to the enterprising twists cooks give to tofu, intent on finding tasty new roles for this wonderfully versatile, virtuously healthy ingredient.

"What to do with tofu" is a question confidently posed by someone who's already got the answer. Six answers, actually: that's the number of recipes food writer Elizabeth Germain has lined up in *Body and Soul* magazine's June issue, ranging from stir-fries to desserts.

This one, a spicy, crisp tofu salad dish, is a main-course study in contrasts. It has crunchy and smooth textures, as well as hot and cool flavors. You create a really crisp and flavorful crust by cooking the tofu with two Asian grocerystore items: chili sauce and panko, a flaky bread crumb with a light, coarse texture.

SPICY, CRISP TOFU ON MINT-AVOCADO SALAD

14-ounce package regular tofu, firm or extra-firm, drained

2 cup spicy Asian chili sauce plus½ teaspoon for dressing
2 teaspoon grated orange zest
2 tablespoons fresh orange juice
2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive

oil Coarse salt

- 1 cup panko
- 3 tablespoons canola oil 2 heads butterhead lettuce, washed, dried and torn into
- bite-size pieces 1 cup fresh whole mint leaves
- 1 avocado, halved, pitted, peeled and thinly sliced lengthwise

Cut the tofu in half horizontally (slicing parallel to work surface). Keep the tofu stacked; cut crosswise in half to make four rectangles. Cut each rectangle into two triangles. Press tofu (see note).

In a large bowl whisk together $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon chili sauce,

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This recipe, a spicy, crisp tofu salad dish, is a maincourse study in contrasts. It has crunchy and smooth textures, as well as hot and cool flavors. You create a really crisp and flavorful crust by cooking the tofu with two items: chili sauce and panko, a flaky bread crumb.

orange zest, orange juice and olive oil. Season the mixture with salt to taste. Set aside.

Pour the remaining $\frac{1}{3}$ cup chili sauce into a shallow bowl. Place the panko in a separate shallow bowl. Piece by piece, gently coat the tofu in the chili sauce and then the panko, patting it on each piece to coat.

In a large, nonstick skillet, heat half the canola oil over medium heat. Gently place half the tofu in skillet. Pan-fry the tofu, turning once, until outsides are crisped and brown, about 3 minutes per side. Remove from heat. Repeat the process with remaining oil and tofu.

Add lettuce and mint to bowl with dressing; toss to coat. Place equal mounds of salad in center of four plates; fan avocado slices on top. Arrange two tofu triangles next to the avocado and serve immediately.

Makes 4 servings.

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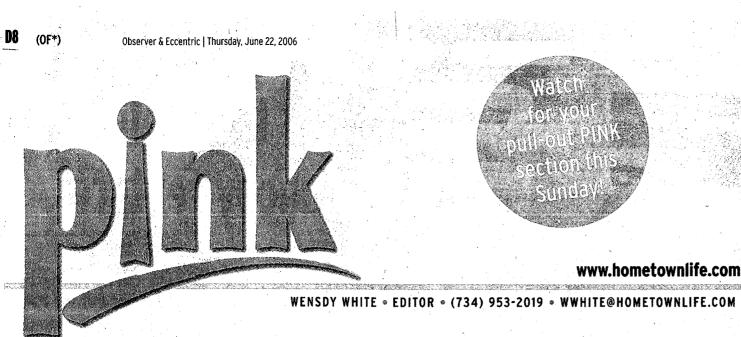
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Hats off to Belle Isle Women's Committee!



Boardman of Lathrup Village fell in love with her hat first, then found an outfit to match.



Stylish sisters Kristina Acheson and Rebecca Reyes, both of Grosse Point Park, flank Sandra Cavataio of Grosse Pointe Shores.



Gorgeous mother and daughter Shannon and Doris Anderson of Bloomfield Hills suit up with summer style.

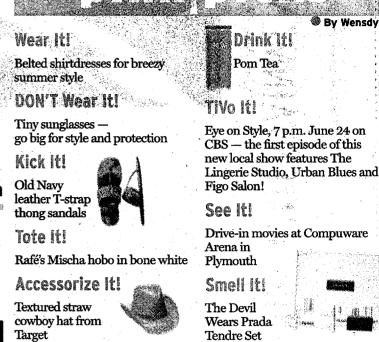
By Susan Rosiek * Photos By Wensdy White ats ranged from vintage glam to flowered and frilly at the second annual "Polish the Jewel Luncheon," held June 7 on Belle Isle. The Detroit Yacht Club was flooded with a sea of chapeaus, but the occasion was more than a fashion statement. Money raised will fix up Sunset Point on the southern tip of Belle Isle.



committee, stays classic in black and white, while Patricia Burnett makes a splash in red, accessorized with flowers and pearls. Both hail from Bloomfield Hills.







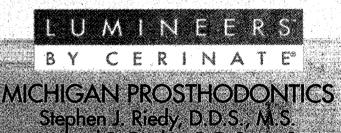


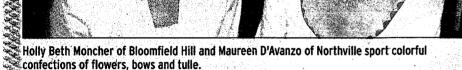
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Here are weekly charts for the nation's most popular videos as they appear in this week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission: **TOP MUSIC VIDEO SALES**

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports) 1. Greatest Hits, Creed 2. We Are. . . The Laurie Berkner Band, The Laurie Berkner Band. (Gold) 3. The Best of Anthony Burger

From the Homecoming Series, Anthony Burger

4. Past, Present & Future, Rob Zombie

5. Cream: Farewell Concert: Special Extended Version, Eric Clapton

6. Destiny's Child: Live in Atlanta, Destiny's Child

7. Farewell I Tour: Live From Melbourne, Eagles

8. The Best of Pantera: Far Beyond the Great Southern Cowboys' Vulgar Hits, Pantera 9. Live at Donington, AC/DC

10. Rock of Ages: The Definitive Collection, Def Leppard

TOP VHS/DVD RENTALS

(Based on data provided by the Video Software Dealers Assn.) 1. Date Movie, 20th Century Fox 2. Cheaper by the Dozen 2, 20th Century Fox 3. Freedomland, Sony Pictures Home Entertainment 4. Rumor Has It. . . (Widescreen Edition), Warner Home Video 5. The Ringer, FoxVideo 6. When a Stranger Calls, Sony **Pictures Home Entertainment** 7. Big Momma's House 2, FoxVideo 8. The Family Stone, FoxVideo 9. Munich (Widescreen Edition), Universal Studios Home Video 10. Last Holiday, Paramount Home Entertainment Copyright 2006, VNU **Business Media and Nielsen** SoundScan, Inc.

TOP VHS SALES

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports) 1. 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea (Special Edition), Walt Disney Home Video 2. Requiem for a Dream, Lions Gate Home Entertainment 3. Friends: The Complete First Season, Warner Home Video 4. Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines, Warner Home Video 5. The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly, MGM Home Entertainment 6. Superbabies: Baby Geniuses 2, Columbia TriStar Home Entertainment 7. The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring, New Line Home Entertainment 8. The Black Stallion, MGM Home Entertainment 9. Scooby-Doo and the Reluctant Werewolf, Warner **Family Entertainment** 10. Shark Tale, DreamWorks

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Top videos, music listed

TOP DVD SALES

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports)

1. Date Movie, 20th Century Fox 2. High School Musical: Encore

Edition, Walt Disney Home Entertainment

3. Cheaper by the Dozen 2, 20th Century Fox

4. Freedomland, Sony Pictures Home Entertainment. 5. The Chronicles of Narnia, Walt Disney Home

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Studios Home Video 7. Nanny McPhee

(Widescreen), Universal Studios Home Video

8. The Ringer, FoxVideo

9. Munich, Universal Studios Home Video

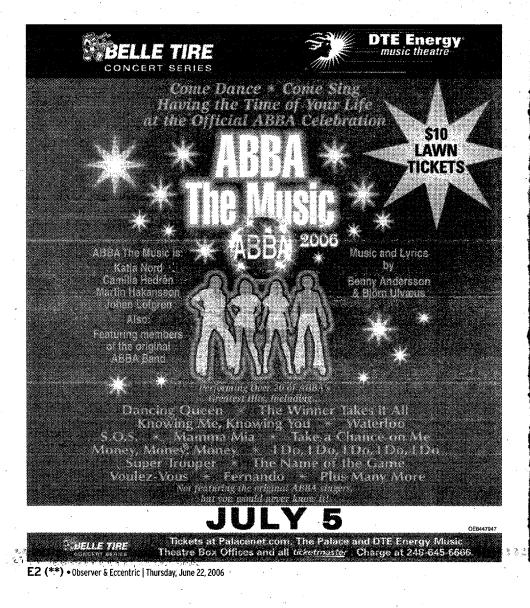
10. Big Momma's House 2, FoxVideo

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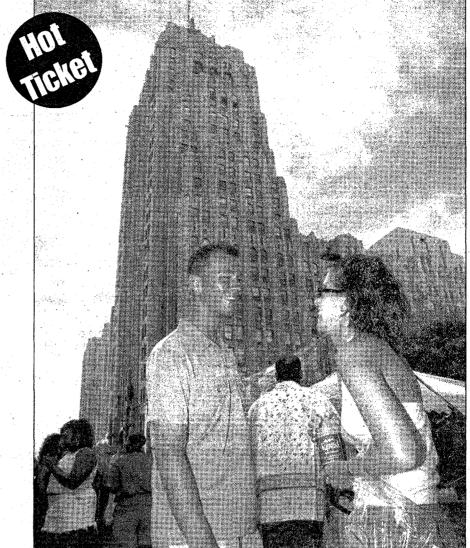
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DSO chooses a new guest conductor in time for 2006-07 season.



Tastefest 2006



The New Center's most well-known landmark – the Fisher Building – overlooks Tastefest.

Thousands feast on food, keep to the beat

Jazz, punk, classic rock and Caribbean music will fill the streets, while restaurants fill the air with the smell of food.

It's all part of Tastefest 2006 in Detroit's New Center area.

Every year more than 500,000 people pack Tastefest, which is produced by New Center Council Inc. to help support summer youth programs and maintenance of the outdoor area.

Dan Miller, who co-starred in the Johnny Cash movie *Walk The Line*, and formerly of the local band Goober and the Peas, brings his latest

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COMERICA TASTEFEST 2006

When: 11:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., Friday, June 30, through Tuesday, July 4, (ends at 8 p.m. on July 4) Where: Detroit's New Center, four miles north of downtown Detroit, on West Grand Boulevard between Woodward Avenue and the Lodge Freeway (M-10). Admission: Free Taste Tickets: \$6 for 10 tickets. Tickets, not cash, only may be used for purchasing food and beverages. Details: www.comericatastefest.com

musical project Blanche to the 2006 Comerica Tastefest.

Also playing are Kings of Leon, Ray Davies, Eric Burdon and The Animals and Tastefest 2006 music and food listings can be found on page E9.

the Demolition Doll Rods. There are karaoke contests, watercolor tents for kids, slot car track racing, a street skate course and rock climbing.

And, of course, the food ranges from barbecue to exotic vegetarian samplings.

Tastefest also features an art area, shopping district, multiple stages and more.

The crowds are thick, but the lines aren't too long and the staff does a good job keeping the area debris-free.

And all the music is free.

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Moving, changing sculpture on view at UMMA

BY NICOLE STAFFORD STAFF WRITER

It moves before your very eyes, and it's called kinetic sculpture.



You can experience it at the University of Michigan Museum of Art's newest exhibit. Gregory Barsamian

Gregory Barsamian: Time and Transformation opens June 25 and continues through Sept. 17 at the

museum's temporary exhibit space, 1301 S. University, on the University of Michigan campus in Ann Arbor. Renovation and expansion is under way at the museum.

Each sculpture is like "a giant flip book," said Katie Derosier, exhibitions coordinator at UMMA.

Barsamian is a New York-based artist who achieves a "flip book" or "movie reel" effect by attaching moving parts to his sculptures and exhibiting them under flashing strobe lights in darkened spaces.

Four pieces, the largest is about 7 square feet, are presented in the exhibit. Barsamian's work is held in the collection of New York's Museum of the Moving Image.

Like artists before him, he uses the 19th-century concept of "persistence of

ART TRICKS

What: "Gregory Barsamian: Time and Transformation," an exhibit of the New York artist's kinetic sculpture.

When: Through Sept. 17. Museum hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Saturday and Sunday; and 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Where: University of Michigan Museum of Art's temporary location during museum renovation at 1301 S. University, University of Michigan campus, Ann Arbor. Admission: Admission is free; suggested donation is \$5, call (734) 763-UMMA or visit www.umma.umich.edu.

vision" to trick the viewer's eye into perceiving movement and three-dimensional imagery. But, unlike most artists, he does so with sculpture, creating a plaster mold, and then casting in rubber.

"It's a really surreal experience," said Derosier, adding that most viewers are caught off guard. It takes a few moments to adjust to the combination of darkness, pulsing strobe lights, machine sounds and moving imagery. Others wonder about the mechanics behind the imagery.

Each of Barsamian's sculptures unfolds a narrative or story of sorts. One on



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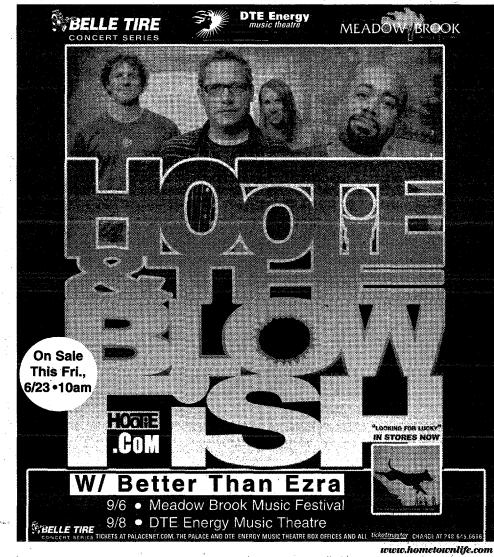
If this view of Gregory Barsamian's sculpture looks surreal, wait until you see it under the pulsing strobe lights.

display in Ann Arbor, for example, depicts writer's block, first conveying the image of crumpled paper inside a writer's head. Before the viewer has time to think about this image, the crumpled pieces of paper appear to come flying his or her way. Some of the wadded papers bounce off the

floor, others pile up in a heap, and one appears to catch on fire.

"The forms are very recognizable," Derosier said. "But what they do is not ordinary."

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Many faiths, making music

Cantor's 'Liberation' with DSO transcends denomination

BY NICOLE STAFFORD STAFF WRITER

Meir Finkelstein's day job is cantor for Congregation Shaarey Zedek in Southfield.



His night job: worldrenowned composer of music for the liturgy with works created in excess of 100.

Night job No. 2 – writing musical scores for Hollywood

- has brought Meir equivalent success; director Steven Spielberg hired Meir to score the television documentary Survivors of Shoal.

So it's no wonder the Detroit Symphony Orchestra jumped at the chance to perform Meir's *Liberation*.

Meir created the work in 1995 to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the liberation of the Nazi death camps. It premiered at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion in Los Angeles with the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra and host Billy Crystal.

The DSO's performance of Liberation,

SOUND AND SPIRIT

What: Detroit Symphony Orchestra performs "Liberation," a cantata composed by Meir Finkelstein, cantor at Shaarey Zedek in Southfield, with Israeli violinist Ittai Shapira, the Vanguard Grand Chorus of Dearborn and the Metro Detroit Area Fellowship Choir of Detroit.

When: 8 p.m. Thursday, June 29. Where: Orchestra Hall, Max M. Fisher Music Center, 3711 Woodward, Detroit. Tickets: \$24-\$49, (313) 576-5111, for information, visit www.detroitsymphony.com.

set for 8 p.m. Thursday, June 29, at the Max M. Fisher Music Center in downtown Detroit, features an updated version of the original work.

"I revised it a year ago to reflect the ongoing genocides that are occurring even in our times," said Meir, who resides in Huntington Woods. "There is a famous phrase: 'Never again.' This is something that we vowed after the Holocaust, but unfortunately it has happened again, and it continues to happen."

Not surprisingly, Meir has altered *Liberation's* original tone, adding two new movements, including the last, "One Nation," a tribute to the strength and faith of American citizens following 9/11.

Liberation draws on a broad range of musical influences, from gospel to pop to classical. Meir also has incorporated narrative works and selected clergy from other religious denominations to give the concert's dramatic readings.

Joining the DSO are several vocal soloists, including Meir, two choirs, the Vanguard Grand Chorus of Dearborn and the Metro Detroit Area Fellowship Choir, as well as, Israeli violinist Ittai Shapira.

Yoel Levi, chief conductor of the Flemish Radio Orchestra and principal guest conductor of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, will lead the performance.

Liberation is a 15-movement cantata, a musical form that incorporates solo and choral vocals and often is based on a religious text.

"It's not based on one particular text,

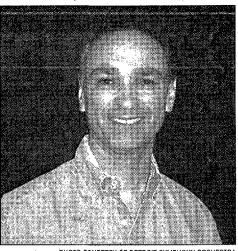


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Meir Finkelstein, cantor at Congregation Shaarey Zedek in Southfield, has served as synagogue musical spiritual leader since age 14.

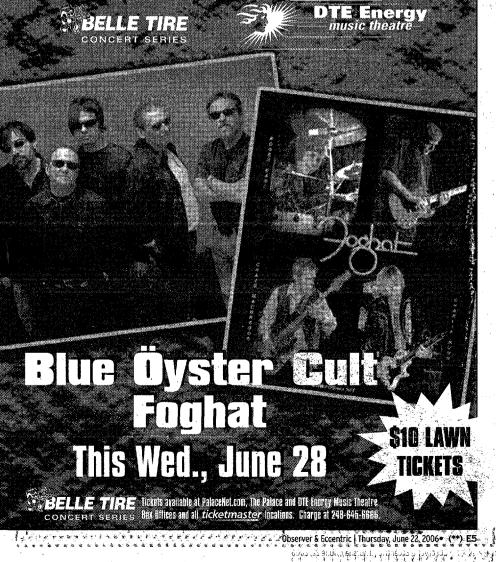
but I have set numerous texts from the Jewish liturgy to music. And those particular prayers reflect the joy of liberation," Meir said.

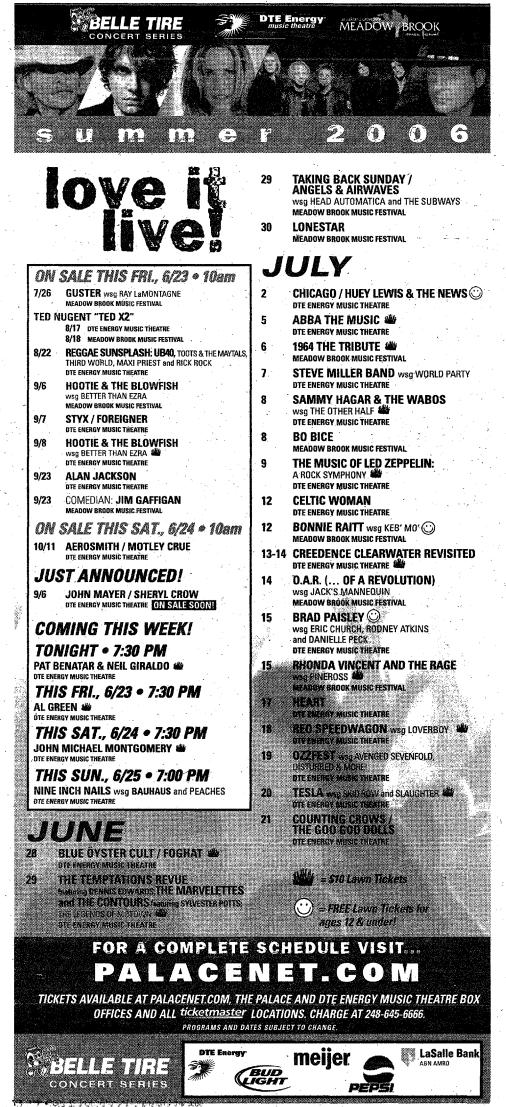
"It is a very large scale work, and the sound can be very overwhelming, triumphant and moving," Meir said. "But music is a very powerful vehicle for transporting people to a more spiritual experience."

And, that's why, he added, "there's always music at services – for every religion."

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PHOTO COURTESTY OF TAMAR LEVINE Nine Inch Nails headlines on June 25 at DTE Music Energy Theatre with Bauhaus and Peaches. **Nine Inch Nails**

Bauhaus opens for band at DTE

BY LANA MINI STAFF WRITER

Earning a best hard rock performance nomination at the 48th Grammy Awards, Nine Inch Nails is touring to support the album *With Teeth* that debuted at No. 1 on the *Billboard* Top Albums chart. Nine Inch Nails is riding a

wave of success. Its first single, The Hand That Feels, held the No. 1 spot for five weeks and is on its way to being the most played alternative single of the year. Teeth's second single, Only, remains at No. 1 for the eighth consecutive week.

On the heels of that popularity, rockers Nine Inch Nails bring the band's tour to DTE Energy Music Theatre, along with goth founders Bauhaus and special guest Peaches. The show begins at 7 p.m. Sunday, June 25.

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It's the second time Bauhaus has played Detroit in less than a year. When it performs, shows usually sell out, so

get tickets now. Late last year, Bauhaus gui-

tarist Daniel Ash said that band will release a new CD sometime in 2006 or 2007. Bauhaus formed in England in

1978 and unintentionally created gothic music. Band members didn't realize what they created at that time when they produced the soaring, haunting sounds on the gothic anthem song, *Bela Lugosi's Dead*, in 1979.

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Night on the town

Hangin' in Ferndale/gets wilder

BY NICOLE STAFFORD STAFF WRITER

Between the Magic Bag shows, the bars, dance spots and restaurants,

there's plenty to do in downtown Ferndale. But Ferndale's

Downtown Development Authority is literally upping the ante. They're planning to hold

a citywide poker run come July 20, the date of the city's next "3rd Thursdays on the 9." The event, also slated Aug. 17, features live stage music, extended retail hours and special activities

"The event has been going since about 2001, and each year we kind of reformat and improve," said Cristina Sheppard-Decius, Ferndale DDA executive director, "But I think we're hitting our stride this year."

Each "3rd Thursdays on the 9" will showcase local musical talent at about 10 outdoor performance areas.

The July poker run will have visitors collecting playing cards at area businesses in search of the best hand. The winner or winners will receive gift certificates from Ferndale retailers.

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"I was obsessed with making the guitar stand out, with making it sound like nothing that was ever out there," Ash said.

The band has influenced numerous groups including The Faint, The Killers, Gene Loves Jezebel and Jane's Addiction. Original members who remain are singer Peter Murphy, bassist David J., guitarist Daniel Ash and drummer Kevin Haskins.

NIN headlines the show. Since being founded by Trent Reznor in 1989, the band has released 10 albums including Pretty Hate Machine (1989), The

NIGHT OUT

What: Downtown Ferndale's 3rd Thursdays on the 9 with live entertainment, extended retail hours and special activities. When: Third Thursday of the month, July 20

and Aug. 17. Where: Nine Mile in downtown Ferndale.

Admission: Free. For more information, visit www.downtownferndale.com

"If it all works out right, we'll have one winner. But maybe we'll have a tie. A scavenger hunt is planned for August's "3rd Thursdays on the 9."

The event is a perfect opportunity to scope out the latest additions to downtown Ferndale, too. New tenants include Buffalo Wild Wings, Contempo Home, Savvy Soles and Vixen, an intimate apparel shop.

"There are a lot of new places that people should get out and see," said Sheppard-Decius. "But the point is to bring people out to the downtown and generate that energy and spirit on a Thursday night."

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Downward Spiral and others including the latest With Teeth (2005).

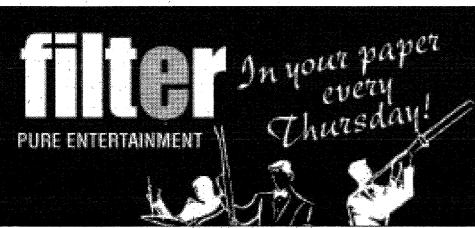
Peaches, a Canadian-born, Berlinbased artist combines minimalist electronic beats and power-chord rock. She produces her records, programs her own beats, and plays almost all of the instruments.

She has been sought to perform with Björk, Josh Homme of Queens of The Stone Age and more.

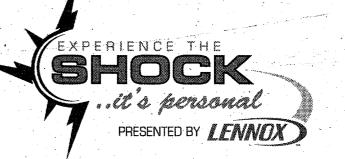
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Jazz it up this weekend

Two jazz festivals hit town this weekend — one in Detroit and the other in Southfield.

The eighth annual V98.7 Smooth JazzFest (WVMV-FM, Detroit) is Friday through Sunday, June 23-25, on the Green in front of the Southfield Civic Center.

Detroit hosts the funky Jazzin' on Jefferson, a summer street party Friday and Saturday, June 23 and 24, on Jefferson at Chalmers.

For the Southfield event, the Friday headliner is Boney James. Saturday, it's Incognito featuring Maysa. Sunday the festival ends with an all-star "Tribute to Marvin Gaye and Motown" under the direction of Jason Miles and featuring Peter White, Walter Beasley, Denise Williams, Kevin Mahogany and more.

Plus there's food by the Southern Hospitality Group, a collection of restaurants including Sweet Georgia Brown's, Seldom Blues, Grand City Grille, The Woodward Restaurant and Detroit's Breakfast House and Grill.

Tickets for the Smooth



JazzFest are available at all TicketMaster locations, at www.ticketmaster.com and by phone at (248) 645-6666. They can also be purchased at the event. Seating is general admission. A weekend pass is \$75 and daily pass is \$40.

The Southfield Civic Center is located on Evergreen, just south of I-696. Gate opens at 4 p.m. Friday with music starting at 5 p.m. Gates open at 2:30 p.m. with performances beginning at 3:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Call (248) 855-5100.

JAZZIN' ON JEFFERSON

Festival hours are 4-10:30 p.m. Friday and 1 to 10:30 p.m.



Robert Bradley is one of the headlining acts at the Jazzin' on Jefferson street festival.

Saturday. It includes local and national jazz and blues artists, 30 artisans, ethnic and continental foods and kids events.

Headliners include Robert Bradley, Thornetta Davis, The Sun Messengers, Philharmonic, Eddie Burns, The O'Donnell and Spangler Jazz Band. Many of the artists have ties to the east side and the Jefferson East district.

Bradley, for example, was discovered in Detroit's Eastern Market and has since played his blues and roots music around the world.

The Historic Jefferson-

Chalmers area is one of a small number of surviving early 20th century neighborhood commercial districts. The area is known for retaining two of the cities big-band era ballrooms: The Vanity and the Monticello. For more information visit

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MUSICAL HIGHLIGHTS

Musical acts will perform on one of four stages at Tastefest. For full schedule visit www.comericatastefest.com

FRIDAY, JUNE 30:

5:30 p.m., Lola Valley, www.myspace.com/lolavalley, dirty funk, soulful R&B, clever hip-hop, and melodic alternative rock. diverse women from Detroit. 6:30 p.m., The Harmonica Shah Blues Band.

www.myspace.com/harmonicashah, one of Detroit's blues acts, playing heartfelt blues. 9 p.m., Howling Diablos, www.howlinadiablos.com, these local music scene vets are still rockin' strong with their brand of funk jam blues. 9 p.m., Blanche, www.blanchemusic.com, dark country cabaret. Ominous yet sweet, Southern sounds from a quartet.

SATURDAY, JULY 1

2:30 p.m., The Gypsy Strings of Detroit, www.myspace.com/gypsystringsofdetroit. 1930s-style jazz swing music inspired by gypsy jazz guitarist Django Reinhardt. Guest jazz saxo-



Dan Miller's (left) band Blanche performs 9 p.m. on Friday.

phonist-clarinetist Wendell

Harrison joins. 9 p.m., Amadou and Mariam,

www.amadou-mariam.com, eclectic duo from Africa create world beats with '70s, electric blues, reggae and Cuban elements. 8 p.m., The Demolition Doll Rods.

www.demolitiondollrods.com, Motor City trio plays a mix of rock, blues and punk. 8:30 p.m., Ray Davies, www.raydavies.info, founder of The Kinks, playing songs from his latest solo

album, and hits from his 40-year career.

SUNDAY, JULY 2

5 p.m., Seeley & Baldori, www.boogiebob.com, blues/jazz piano duo plays boogie-woogie. 5:30 p.m., Spyro Gyra, www.spyrogyra.com, one of the most successful jazz groups of the past 30 years. R&B and Caribbean elements with pop-jazz. 9 p.m., The Flask featuring Kenny Olson, www.theflask.com, Former

Kid Rock/Twisted Brown Trucker quitarist Kenny Olson's new band, The Flask, is all about rock. 9 p.m., The Sights, www.wearethesights.com, raw energy with pop sensibilities.

MONDAY, JULY 3

2:30 p.m, Havana, www.havanamuzik.com, with a classical and opera background, this singer describes her sound as "urban_ alternative."

7 p.m., Blair, www.blairpoetry. com, Detroit's urban folk artist, poet, and author Blair took his words and music on the road through the United States to South Africa.

8:30 p.m., Kings of Leon, www.kingsofleon.com, "southernfried" rock, a brand of heartland meets garage rock.

TUESDAY, JULY 4

3 p.m., Eric Burdon and the Animals, www.ericburdon.com, Eric Burdon sings the classics from this legendary rock band. 6:30 p.m., Amp Fiddler, www.ampfid dler.com, after years as a session man with Parliament and Funkadelic, Amp Fiddler plays

WHAT'S TO EAT?

Try a sample at Tastefest from these area restaurants:

American Masala, Detroit: Samosas, Mixed Vegetable Pakoras, Chicken Tikka Masala, Palak Paneer, Chicken Curry

Asian Village, Detroit: Chicken Satay, Vietnamese Spring Rolls, Bulgogi (Korean BBQ Beef), Red Bean Ice Cream.

Aw Shucks, Elk Rapids: Roasted Sweet Corn w/ Hot Butter and Assorted Spices

Brenda's Beans & Greens, Farmington Hills: Catfish, Wings, Rib Tips, Mac & Cheese, Greens, **Okra**

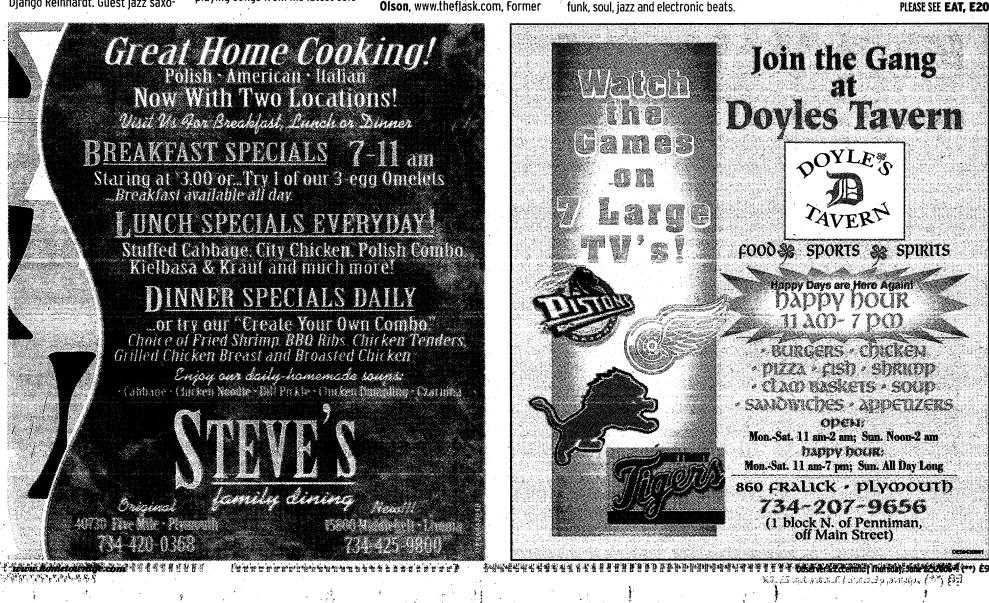
Kola's Food Factory, Riverview: Rib Tips, Pulled Pork Parfait, Jerk Chicken Parfait, Potato Wedges Parfait

Louisiana Creole Gumbo, Detroit: Gumbo Supreme, Shrimp Creole, Creole Salad, Beef Red Hots & Beans, Shrimp Ragout, Red Beans & Rice

Mario's, Detroit: Italian Sausage, Beef or Chicken Kabob, Pork Tenderloin, BBQ Portabella

Sweet Lorraine's, Detroit: Spicy Chicken and Shrimp Creole, Coconut Shrimp with Tropical

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TASTEFEST 2006



FIREWORKS DISPLAYS EXPLODE INTO SPACE NEXT WEEK

BY LANA MINI

STAFF WRITER

Whether you prefer a huge crowd or an intimate little park, your favorite ambiance in fireworks shows is available throughout metropolitan Detroit.

From the biggest event in Detroit, to smaller shows in Oakland County, it's all about free entertainment. At Hart Plaza beginning at 3 p.m. Wednesday,

At Hart Plaza beginning at 3 p.m. Wednesday, June 28, the "AM 910 Radio Disney Rhythms and Rhymes from the Hart" features music and children's events.

The Target Fireworks and International Freedom Festival begins at 10:06 p.m. where pyrotechnic efforts can be viewed for miles along the Detroit International Riverfront.

Some of the prime seats are at the Official VIP Rooftop Party sponsored by Target, General Motors, Charter One Bank and the Michigan Lottery. The Rooftop Party is the premier VIP party for the fireworks.

That party will feature entertainment, food, games and activities for children. It's a major fund-raiser for The Michigan Thanksgiving Parade Foundation, and it is scheduled 6-11 p.m. at the Miller Parking Garage, just west of the Renaissance Center in Detroit. Tickets are \$175.

Call (313) 432-7831 or visit www.theparade.org. Here are other fireworks shows. All events are free and begin at dusk unless noted otherwise:

BIRMINGHAM

Monday, July 3, Lincoln Hills Golf Course, 2666 W. 14 Mile Road, http://www.ci.birmingham.mi.us

CLARKSTON

Tuesday, July 4, Clintonwood Park on Clarkston Road, music, games, contests during day, fireworks at dusk, www.twp.independence.mi.us, (248) 625-1924

CLAWSON

Clawson 4th of July, Tuesday, July 4, Clawson Park, Main Street, north of 14 Mile, (248) 589-0334, http://www.ci.clawson.mi.us

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Greenfield Village Annual Salute to America with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Friday, June 30; Saturday, July 1; Sunday, July 2, and Monday, July 3, at Greenfield Village, Admission: Varies, see Web site, (313) 982-6001, http://www.thehenryford.org

KENSINGTON METROPARK

Tuesday, July 4, Kensington Metropark; near Milford and Brighton, Admission: Vehicle permit \$7, (248) 685-1561, http://www.metroparks.com/events/cal_even ts.php

LAKE ORION

Sunday, July 2, Greens Park (on M-24 next to Lake Orion), dusk, (248) 693-8391.

LIVONIA

Livonia Spree, festival, Sunday, June 25, 10:15 p.m. Ford Field, Lyndon and Farmington roads, music, food, kids enter-tainment, (734) 466-2200, http://www.livoniaspree.com/

MICHIGAN 50'S FESTIVAL

Friday, July 28, Novi Town Center, across from the former Novi Expo Center, Novi Road and Grand River, live music, food, a cruise on Saturday. (248) 349-1950, http://www.michiganfiftiesfestival.com/event s.html

ROCHESTER 2006 FESTIVAL OF THE HILLS

Thursday, June 29, 10 p.m., 1400 E. Hamlin, Rochester Hills, Music, food, and more, (248) 656-4663, www.rochesterhills.org

SOUTHFIELD

Wednesday, June 28, 10:10 p.m., in front of Southfield Civic Center, 26000 Evergreen, entertainment with musicians and performers at 6 p.m., refreshments available for purchase, (248) 796-4620.

WATERFORD/ELIZABETH LAKE

Sunday, July 2, private show can be viewed from Elizabeth Lake, http://twp.waterford.mi.us/

WESTLAND

Tuesday, July 4, 10 p.m. Central City Park (behind Westland City Hall), www.ci.westland.mi.us

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The Woodward Restaurant

When downtown, meet by the Kern Clock



LAWRENCE MCKEE | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Lake Perch and Grilled Shrimp Skewer top a bed of rice pilaf, sauté baby spinach and fresh herb tartar at The Woodward Restaurant.

BY ELEANOR HEALD CORRESPONDENT

Time was when Detroiters said, "Meet you by the Kern Clock on Woodward." They're saying it again because that's where you'll find The Woodward Restaurant, a new place to gather during this year's International Freedom Festival. If you attend a Tigers

ame, don't chow down on too many hot dogs at Comerica Park. Before or after a game, The Woodward Restaurant is the hip new spot for moderately-priced comfort food in a relaxed atmosphere.

Continuing the resurgence of Detroit's restaurant scene, a group of Detroit-area entrepreneurs including DunWright Development and former Detroit Lions Ron Rice and Charlie Batch literally stepped up to the plate and opened The Woodward in the Campus Martius area earlier this year.

Although visionaries, these investors are

not going to let you forget Detroit's past. The Woodward's interior is designed as an 1807 streetscape, created after the fire of 1805. I don't know if the money plant was around then, but its inclusion in the décor is an attractive central theme.

LIGHT LUNCH OR DINNER

Detroit native Jerry Nottage, executive concept chef of the Southern Hospitality Restaurant Group, which manages The Woodward, created a menu of familiar American dishes that includes an eclectic list of starters for those of us who love the small plates concept or who

just want to eat light. Among smaller bites are Cajun Grilled Shrimp with yellow pepper habanero coulis; BBQ Ribs and Wings, basted with house-made Michigan sour cherry BBQ sauce; flash-fried Calamari with pepperoncini, olives, tomato and feta cheese; Tempura Chicken Tenders, also served with the finger-lickin' good house-made Michigan sour cherry BBQ sauce.



Salads, soup and sandwiches are available for both lunch and dinner. White Chicken Chili, slow-cooked with white beans, vegetables and cumin, topped with a fresh cilantro relish is a nice "soup" alternative. Soup du Jour changes daily.

Waldorf Salad is a little redux with tart and sweet apples, dried cherries, candied walnuts and a creamy dressing. Augustus Caesar (hearts of romaine and shaved parmesan cheese tossed in a lemony Caesar dressing and cracked pepper) can be customized with a choice of chicken, shrimp, or salmon. Old Augustus never tasted any thing this good.

You won't be square ordering a Kern Clock Burger, a uniquely square version of the classic. Muffaletta on focaccia bread takes your taste buds to "Nawlins."

EXPRESS LUNCH

A deal at the mid slice of the day (11 a.m.-4 p.m.) is the \$9 Express Lunch that includes half the chef's sandwich of the day, a bowl of soup and a fresh side salad. For \$1 more, a cup of The Woodward's signature White Chicken Chili can be substituted.

FOR THE VERY HUNGRY

Main courses are served with a choice of potato (roasted garlic mashed, sweet potato mashed or fries) or a rice pilaf. Standards include BBQ farm-raised Catfish with that Michigan sour cherry sauce; Braised Pork Shank served with red cabbage and tart apples; Roasted Amish Chicken; whole or half-slab Baby Back Ribs (yup, with the

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THE WOODWARD RESTAURANT

Where: 1040 Woodward Ave. (Compuware Building's first floor), Detroit, (313) 964-4444. Open: Monday-Thursday 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Until midnight Friday and Saturday. Sunday 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Food style: Bistro-style, American comfort food

Cost: Light dishes \$5-\$11. Main dishes all under \$20. Reservations: Recommended. Parking: Valet or free validation in visitors parking lot of Compuware Building off Farmer

Street.

cherry BBQ sauce!). Sautéed shitake, oyster, crimini and portobello mushrooms in a sherry wine sauce is christened Wild Mushroom Ravioli. For steak lovers, there's a Ribeye mounded with crispy fried onions and a pan-seared Woodward Strip.

EXTRAS

Desserts include Sanders Cream Puff, Vernor's Float and cheesecake.

A short wine list also includes signature martinis and several non-alcoholic offerings specifically "for the designated driver."

Patio dining in view of the historic Kern Clock will be the place to be seen during the Freedom Festival.

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Enjoy savory steak, chicken and fish entrées at 1960s prices during Steak and Ale's 40th Anniversary parties. On Saturday, June 24, from 4 p.m. until close,

the Steak and Ale locations in Farmington Hills and Plymouth will host 40th Anniversary parties to celebrate the company's past, present and future.

The parties will feature a special menu with 1960s pricing, a DJ spinning classic tunes and a chance to win a restored 1966 Ford Mustang. The event benefits America's Second Harvest - The Nation's Food Bank Network, Forgotten Harvest and **Gleaners Community Food Bank of** Southeastern Michigan.

The restaurants are located at 27590 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills (248) 476-8440; 40347 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, 734-453-8080.

Jimmy John's Gourmet Sandwich Shops has added a second Livonia location, at 33310 Plymouth Road. The new store is located just east of Farmington Road, in the new Fountain Park Plaza

Managed by Rich Doelker, the 36seat restaurant offers seating for 12 patrons outside and has 22 employees. The Jimmy John's location is open daily from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., delivers to the surrounding area, and accepts MasterCard, Visa and American Express. Jeff and Cheryl Doelker of JCD Group, Inc. own and operate the store. This is the group's second location, with plans to open additional restaurants in the Livonia area.

For more information, visit www.jimmyjohns.com.

The Southern Hospitality Restaurant Group, which includes Seldom Blues, Sweet Georgia Brown, Detroit's Breakfast House & Grill @ Merchants Row, Grand City Grille and The Woodward Restaurant, now offers a Frequent Diners Club.

Enrolled members can earn points toward gift certificates, discounts and special awards every time they eat at one of the Southern Hospitality restaurants. To join the Southern Hospitality Restaurant Group Frequent Diner Club, new members pay a one-time enrollment fee of \$20 (which is refunded as a gift certificate after members have registered 300 points on their card). Members will receive one point for each dollar spent at Southern Hospitality restaurants. For every 500 points, Frequent Diner Club members will receive a \$25 gift certificate - and will continue accumulating points towards more gift certificates - and special awards.

Contact any of the restaurants for more information.



Send, fax or e-mail items for consideration in Get Out! at least two weeks in advance, to Ken Abramczyk, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009, fax (248) 644-1314 or e-mail kabramcz@hometownlife.com.

ART EXHIBITS

University of Michigan Museum of Art Rethinking the Photographic Image: The Best of Photography from the George Eastman House Collection, through June 25, 525 S. State, University of Michigan campus, Ann Arbor, suggested donation \$5, (734) 763-UMMA or visit www.umma.umich.edu.

Detroit Institute of Arts

African American Art from the Walter O. Evans Collection, through July 2, Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit, \$5-\$10, call (313) 833-7900 or visit www.dia.org.

Cranbrook Art Museum

An exhibit of Philip Treacy's hats for muse Isabella Blow, runs through Aug. 27, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, \$4-\$6, call (877) **GO-CRANBROOK or visit** www.cranbrookart.edu.

Kresge Art Museum

Summer hours in June and July, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, noon to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, closed August, first floor of the Kresge Art Center, on Michigan State University campus, www.artmuseum.msu.edu, (517) 353-9834.

Metalsmithing

Critical Mass: Metalsmithing at Cranbrook under Gary Griffin, through Oct. 15, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, \$4-\$6, call (877) **GO-CRANBROOK** or visit www.cranbrookart.edu.

Pewabic Pottery

Teapots: Universal Adoration, through July 14, east and west galleries, 10125 E. Cadillac, Detroit, call (313) 822-0954 or visit www. pewabic.org.

Moving Sculpture

Time and Transformation, through Sept. 17. University of Michigan Museum of Art's temporary space, 1301 S. University, U-M campus, Ann Arbor, (734) 763-UMMA or visit www.umma.umich.edu.

Screenprints

The Art of Screenprint, at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit, \$3-\$6, (313) 833-7900 or visit www.dia.org.

More DIA

Annie Leibovitz: American Music, intimate portraits of those influenced by American roots music. Sept. 24 through Jan. 7. visit www.dia.org

ART GALLERIES

Sherry Gallery

Abstractions of life paintings, through Aug. 26, 1274 Library St. at Grand River, Detroit, (313) 961-4500.

Artful Framer

Bid on a Steven Mitchell piece until June 30 to benefit Debbie Schell, daughter of an Artful/ Framer employee who needs a heart transplant, 6525 Sashabaw Road, (248) 620-9724.

Arnold Klein

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Gallery's 35th anniversary celebration, urban views exhibition with Arms, Christo, Mershimer, Murphy and others, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 32782 Woodward, Royal Oak, (248) 647-7709.

Cameron Scott Gallery

Rolls Royce and Bentley, 10 local artists paint Rolls Royce or Bentley, display open through



July 8, 167 Townsend, Birmingham, (248) 203-7167

Cary Gallery Dorothea Krieg's print selections, through July 8, 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester, (248) 651-

Designhaus Gallery Artistic quilts by Deborah Hyde through the month of June, part of Downtown Rochester Gallery, reception is free and open to the public, 111 W. Second St., Rochester, (248) 601-4422.

Johanson Charles Gallery Marvalisa Coley's "Objects in Motion," open through July 1, 1345 Division in Eastern Market (between Russell and Rivard), (313) 483-1158. ww.marvalisa.com.

- Meadow Brook Art Gallery Oakland University, 208 Wilson Hall, Rochester Hills, free, call (248) 370-3005 or visit www.oakland.edu/mbaq.
- **Orchard Lake Art Gallery** 4301 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, (248) 538-9021.
- **Oakland Community College** Student Art Show at the Highland Lakes Campus, Woodland Hall Library, 7300 Cooley Lake Road Waterford, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.

Plymouth Community Arts Council Work of the Hand - Clay and Fiber, exhibit fea-turing clay artist Carolyn Dulin and the Cross Borders Weavers Guild, through July 7, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth, (734) 416-4278.

Lawrence Street Gallery Art Patron Appreciation Month, through June 24, 25-50 percent off selected art work, 22620 Woodward, Suite A, Ferndale, (248) 544-0394, www.lawrencestreetgallery.com.

ART, ETC.

Artcraft Custom Framing Summer Splash, an exhibit of the Colored Pencil Society of America-Detroit Chapter No. 104, through June 23, at 32410 Woodward, Royal Oak, (248) 549-9000.

Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center Summer Solstice artworks, June 24 through July 21, featuring "40 Years of Separation" fiber exhibition, "Vanishing Landscapes" by Artists Alliance of Spring Lake, Mich., and

BBAC student exhibition, free, open to public, 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham, (248) 644-0866 or visit www.bbartcenter.org. Michigan Watercolor Society

59th Annual Exhibition Travel Show, June 28 through July 23, 217 Farnsworth, Detroit, mwcsart.com, (313) 831-1250.

CAR EVENTS

Classic cars in Dearborn The Dearborn Inn's 75th Anniversary Classic Car Show & Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social, Saturday, July 8, 20301 Oakwood Boulevard, (313) 271-2700 or www.dearborninnmarriott.com.

CLASSICAL

Detroit Symphony Orchestra Interfaith concert with chorus, Liberation, 8 p.m. Thursday, June 29, Max M. Fisher Music Center, 3711 Woodward, Detroit, (313) 576-5111 or www.detroitsymphony.com.

Michael Feinstein

June 24, 121 Fletcher, Power Center, U-M cámpus, Ann Arbor, \$24-\$75, (734) 764-2538 or www.annarborsummerfestival.org.

Great Lakes Chamber Festival Through June 25 at seven local venues, \$10-\$35, call (248) 559-2097 or visit www.greatlakeschambermusic.com.

Grace Episcopal Church California Quartet, free chamber músic concert in memory of Carrie Boensch, 2 p.m. Saturday, June 24, 735 W. Nepessing St., Laneer

Kirk in the Hills 2006 Carillon Series, Suzanne Magassy, 10 a.m. and noon, July 9; Charles Dairay, July 23; 1340 W. Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills, www.kirkinthehills.org, (248) 626-2515.

Orchestra Canton Summer Sounds: A Pops Picnic, 8 p.m., Saturday, July 15, Village Theater at Cherry Hill, \$11-\$20 tickets, order box lunch at 7 p.m. and have picnic for \$10, www.orchestracanton.org, (734) 394-5460.

CLUBS

220 Merrill Street & Edison Lounge Extensive drink menu, live music, dancing,

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eclectic and American nouveau cuisine, 220 E. Merrill, Birmingham, (248) 645-2150.

313.Jac's Located upstairs at Jacoby's, 624 Brush in Bricktown, (313) 962-7067, 21 and over, doors open 10 p.m., cover \$5, www.staticrecords.com/shows.htm.

The Ark

Grupo Fantasma, June 22; Hackensaw Boys, June 23; Rory Block, June 24; Junior Brown, June 25; Drew Nelson, June 27; Lil 'Ed & the Blues Imperials, June 28; 316 S. Main, Ann Arbor, (734) 761-1451, www.theark.org.

Bachelor's One

1967 Cass Lake Road, Keego Harbor, (248) 682-2295

Belmont Bar

Mademoiselle Mondays, \$10, for martini and manicure, therapeutic massage \$1 minute, punk nights Tuesdays, live rock

Wednesdays, D.Is and local hands on weekends, 10215 Joseph Campau, Hamtramck, (313) 871-1966.

Blind Pig

Longtime, hip music spot, 208 S. First St., Ann Arbor, (734) 996-8555. www.blindpigmusic.com

Rlue Martini

Live music 8-11 p.m. Tuesdays through Thursdays, and Saturdays and Sundays, 201 Hamilton, between Woodward and Old Woodward, one block north of Maple, (248) 258-3005.

Bosco

Enjoy noWax nights at 7 p.m. every Wednesday, download music into your MP3 Player, take a number and wait your turn to be DJ and spin three songs, no cover, 21 and over only, 22930 Woodward in Ferndale, www.thebosco.com. (248) 541-8818.

Buddha Lounge

Thursday, DJ Shug plays super sonic smooth music and beer pong tournament. Saturdays DJ Terrence Parker & Mo Reese; Sundays, Karaoke; Tuesdays, Deep House; Wednesdays Jamtramck jazz band. www.gobuddha.net. (313) 535-4664.

Club Bart

21 and over only, 22726 Woodward, Ferndale, (248) 548-8746.

Club 2000 Fat Twosdays with DJ Carl the Invisible Man 9 p.m. Tuesdays, hip-hop, 18 and over, 299 E. Woodbridge, Detroit, (313) 235-2233.

Crazy Moe's Cafe Food, dancing, music, 2 N. Saginaw St., Pontiac, (248) 322-5550.

Danny's Irish Pub Laid-back, small, friendly, 22824 Woodward, Ferndale, (248) 546-8331.

Dino's Lounge

Live bands on weekends, football specials on Sundays, hip, laid back, friendly, 22740 Woodward, just south of Nine Mile in Ferndale, (248) 591-DINO.

Edison's

220 E. Merrill, Birmingham, (248) 645-2150. Elysium

- Lounge, dance and happy hour 3-9 p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays, nightclub hours Fridays and Saturdays, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m., (313) 962-2244, 625 Shelby, Detroit. www.elysium-lounge.com.
- Emerald Theatre Concert house, dancing, 32 N. Walnut, Mount Clemens, (586) 913-1920.

Fiamma Grille Roy Scoutz, 7-10 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays, George "The Kat" plays saxophone, 7-10 p.m. Thursdays, 380 Main,

Plymouth, (734) 416-0100. Ginopolis on the Grill

Don Swindell and Shuffle Play, with Swindell, Sheila Brown, Mike Lorenz and Jake Reichhart, 7:30-11:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 27851 Middlebelt (at 12 Mile) in Farmington Hills, no cover, (248) 851-8222.

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John Cowley & Sons Irish Tavern 33338 Grand River Avenue, downtown Farmington, call (248) 474-5941 for more information.

Leland City Club

Avant garde, open until 4 a.m., access through unmarked door on the First Street side of the Ramada Hotel building, 400 Bagley, Detroit, www.lelandcityclub.com.

Magic Bag

22920 Woodward, Ferndale, (248) 544-3030, www.themagicbag.com.

Rainbow Room

Laid-back atmosphere, dancing, 6640 E. Eight Mile, Detroit, (313) 891-1020. x/s

High-energy dance club, 1500 Woodward, northeast corner at John R, Detroit, (313) 963-0707

Seldom Blues

Big Band Wednesdays with Johnny Trudell and his 18-piece band, 7-11 p.m., playing a mix of iazz favorites.

The restaurant also features live jazz every night of the week, located in Tower 400, Level 1 of the GM Renaissance Center next to the Marriott, call (313) 567-7301.

Wednesday beginning at 8 p.m., located above

Sangria's Restaurant, 401 S. Lafayette, Royal

Performs 8 p.m. Friday, June 23, at Max M. Fisher Music Center, 3711 Woodward, Detroit,

Comedy Jamm, open mic night Thursday

Verduchi, June 23-24; Michigan Comedy

nights, starting 8 p.m. through October, Cal

Survivor The Audition Night, Michigan comedy

competition, 8 p.m. Thursday, June 29 (tickets

\$5); Nathan Thimmel, June 30 and July 1, all

advance tickets for shows are \$8 except

where indicated, \$10 at door; 314 E. Liberty,

Night of comedy, magic and improv with Rick

Sherman and The Cheeky Monkeys, 7:30 p.m.,

Saturday, July 8, 645 E. Big Beaver Rd., Troy,

Stand-up shows, 8 p.m. Thursday and 8 p.m.

and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday; Apollo ama-

teur night, 8 p.m. Wednesday, \$10-\$15, 25333

Southfield, (248) 348-2420 or www.ticketmas-

Bobble Heads of State, performances are

Wednesday-Sunday, \$15-\$20, 42705 Grand

40380 Grand River, Novi, (248) 919-3216.

River, Novi, call (248) 348-4448. For tickets,

call (248) 645-5555 or www.ticketmaster.com.

W 12 Mile, inside Star Theatre complex

28949 Joy, Westland, (734) 513-5030.

\$20-\$50, call (313) 576-5111 or visit

www.detroitsymphony.com

Ann Arbor, (734) 996-9080.

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Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle

(248) 399-1101.

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Kathy Griffin

Oak, (248) 543-1964.

phone, 740 pim. Fhursdays, 380 Main Stand-up, 269 E. Fourth, Royal Dak (248) 542-9900. www.comedvcastle.com. loey's Comedy Club Stand-up at two locations: 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia, (734) 261-0555, and 5070 Schaefer, Dearborn, (313) 584-8885; www.joeyscomedy.com.

COUNTRY

Country '06 Concert Alan Jackson, Montgomery Gentry, Martina McBride, Carrie Underwood, Dierko Bentley,

Lonestar, July 6-9, Hickory Hills Lakes, Ft. Loramie, Ohio, www.countryconcert.com, (937) 295-3000

DANCE Tango for Two

Argentine tango by "I Tango," with attendance by Argentine ambassador to benefit DSO and Michigan Opera Theatre, July 29, Lutz Farm, Ann Arbor, (313) 237-3425 or www.MichiganOpera.org.

Performance Network Theatre

Dancing in Summer, dance works by choreographers, July 5-9, \$17-\$25, 120 E. Huron, Ann Arbor, (734) 663-0681, www.performancenetwork.org.

DOWNTOWN DISTRICTS Chelsea

Sounds & Sights on Thursday, June 29 through Sept. 7, live entertainment, carriage rides, kids activities, art market, (734)475-1145 or www.chelseafestivals.com

Ferndale

3rd Thursdays on the Nine, live entertainment, third Thursday July and August, Nine Mile, www.downtownferndale.com.

FAMILY

Children's theater

Hilberry Theatre presents Oz, through July 8, 4743 Cass Avenue, at the corner of Hancock, (313) 577-2972 or www.hilberry.com.

Log Cabin Days

Living History encampments, strawberry shortcake social, demonstrations in lace make ing and blacksmithing, music, kids area with ponies and storytelling, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, June 24-25, 4490 Hatchery, Waterford, to volunteer or donate, call (248) 623-2449 or www.waterfordhistoricalsociety.org.

Skate Park fund-raiser

Teen music festival, open skateboarding, dodgeball, Henna tattoos, disc golf, sand volleyball, 1-9 p.m. Saturday, June 24, Farmington Hills Ice Arena, 35500 Eight Mile, Farmington Hills, free, visit www.f2H.org.

Robot exhibit

'Robot City," new interactive exhibit, continues through Sept. 17, 5020 John R, Detroit, S6-\$7, call (313) 577-8400 or visit www.detroitsciencecenter.org.

Planetarium shows

"Star Talk" and "Larry Cat in Space," Saturday and Sunday through June 25, University of Michigan Exhibit Museum of Natural History, 1109 Geddes, Ann Arbor, \$3.75, (734) 764-0478.

Cranbrook Institute of Science

"Playing With Time," runs through Sept. 4, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, \$5-\$7, call (877) GO-CRANBROOK or visit www.cranbrook.edu

Detroit Science Center

Exhibits include As Time Goes By, new exhibit about the aging process, and A Journey to Our Future, now open to accompany center's ı | Na Na Aştariya (191) www.hometownlife.com

Tickets go on sale at 10 a.m. Monday, June 26 for Barbra Streisand with II Divo performing Wednesday, Oct. 18 at The Palace. Tickets are \$752, \$352, \$202 and \$102. There's a six-person ticket limit. Available at all Ticketmaster outlets or by calling (248) 645-6666 or visit www.palacenet.com.

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new permanent Space Laboratory exhibit, 5020 John R, Detroit, \$6-\$7, call (313) 577-8400 or visit www.detroitsciencecenter.org.

Detroit Zoo

CONCERT

"The Peregrine Falcon: Return of an Endangered Species" exhibit with photos. interactive displays and videos, runs through Sept. 8, open daily during regular zoo hours, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at no additional charge, zoo admission \$7-\$11, (248) 398-0900, www.detroitzoo.org.

FESTIVALS **Melon Festival**

47th Annual Howell Jaycees Melon Festival, Aug. 18-20, historic downtown Howell, (517) 546-7477, jcmelonfestival.com

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Top of the Park

Free films running nightly through July 9, outdoors in Ingalls Mall, Washington by Rackham School of Graduate Studies, U-M campus, Ann Arbor, free, entertainment, 7 p.m., films, 10 p.m., www.annarborsummerfestival.org.

Comcast Summer Film Series

Free films, through Aug. 26, every Saturday at Campus Martius Park, downtown Detroit, entertainment starts at 8 p.m., films show at about 9 p.m. For information, go to www.comcastfilmseries.com.

FIREWORKS

Freedom Festival Fireworks

June 28, Hart Plaza, downtown Detroit, free. Activities begin at 3 p.m. Fireworks begin at 10 p.m. Rain date is June 29. (313) 923-7400 or www.theparade.org.

Salute to America

Detroit Symphony Orchestra returns to Greenfield Village, fireworks display, pre-concert Old Time Fun Festival with pie-eating watermelon seed-spitting and balloon toss ing, 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 30, through Monday, July 3, call (313) 576-5111 for more information or visit online at www.detroitsymphony.com, or contact (313) 982-6001, visit www.hfmav.ora.

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V98.7 Smooth Jazz Festival

June 23-25, Southfield Civic Center, south of I-696 off of Evergreen, Southfield, day tickets, \$30-40, weekend pass, \$75-105, (248) 855-5100 or www.wvmv.com

Windsor Detroit Jazz Club

Chuck Moss and the Paint Creek Jazz Society Band, 1-4 p.m. first and third Saturday of every month, Shield's Pizza, 25101 Telegraph (northwest corner of 10 Mile and Telegraph), Southfield, \$8 cover, (248) 478-0172.

Jazz and dinner

"Kind of Blue Tuesdays," at Lola's, Harmonie Park, Led by the Gerard Evans Quartet, the shows help musicians play with the core

- pin. every, Tuesday, 1427 Randolph St. in Detroit's Harmonie Park. (313) 962-0483. Jazz in the Garden
- Shahida Nurollah, July 13: Alma Smith, July 20 and George "Sax" Benson July 27 shows 7-10 p.m., \$30, includes main floor tour, hors d'oeuvres and one drink ticket, cash bar avail able, on campus of Oakland University in Rochester, (248) 364-6263, www.meadowbrookhall.org.

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Doors Open Detroit

All-day party at Campus Martius Park with national music acts, food, art market, June 23, downtown Detroit, www.campusmartiuspark.org.

Tiempo Libre

Grammy-nominated Latin band, June 22, 121 Fletcher, Power Center, U-M campus, Ann Arbor, \$18-\$36, (734) 764-2538 or www.annarborsummerfestival.org.

Oakland Community College

The Blue Water Ramblers (folk), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 11, free, bring lawn chairs or blankets, if rain, show moves to Student Center Arena, Highland Lakes Campus, 7350 Cooley Lake Road, Waterford, (248) 341-2270.

KerryTown

415 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor, reservations recommended, (734) 769-2999, www.kerrytownconcerthouse.com.

Station 885

Tony Ruda and Pat Smith play jazz 7-10 p.m. every Thursday (bass and piano), 885 Starkweather, Plymouth, (734) 459-0885.

Trinity House

Reservations recommended for 87-seat con-cert house, 38840 W. Six Mile (just west of I-275), Livonia, shows 8 p.m., No alcohol, no smoking, (734) 464-6302, www.trinitvhouse.org

John Cowley & Sons Irish Pub

33338 Grand River Avenue, downtown Farmington, (248) 474-5941, Benny & the Jets; Thursday, June 22; Last Man Standing, Friday, June 23; Over the Line, Saturday, June 24; The Hummingbird, Thursday, June 29, and Passage, Friday, June 30.

The Magic Bag

V for Vendetta, 9:30 p.m. June 22; Paper Street Saints; Friday, June 23; The Mega 80's, Saturday, June 24; Brian Vander Ark, July 8; Bob Schneider, July 12, and Leon Russell, July 14; 22920 Woodward, Ferndale, event hotline (248) 544-3030.

Woodward Corridor Musicians and the **Rose Flute Ensemble**

Chamber music selections, 3 p.m. Sunday, June 25, at the Congregational Church of Birmingham, 1000 Cranbrook Road (southwest corner of Woodward Avenue), Bloomfield Hills, \$10 for adults, with students K-12 admitted free, (248) 546-5818 or e-mail LFDean@aol.com.

MUSEUMS

Henry Ford Museum 20900 Oakwood Blvd., west of the Southfield Freeway and south of Michigan Avenue, Dearborn, Additional charges and varving hours for entry to Greenfield Village, Ford Rouge Factory Tour and IMAX Theatre. For more information, call (313) 982-6001 or visit www.hfmgv.org.

Cranbrook Science Museum

Featured exhibit is It's a Nano World. Permanent exhibits include planetarium. nature center and Bat Zone Conservatory, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, general

Send fax or enough them, for consideration in Set admission is \$5 \$7; planetarium; \$1-\$3; (248): 12:0 645-3200 or www.cranbrook.edu **Detroit Science Center**

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Premiere of Magnificent Desolation: Walking on the Moon narrated by Tom Hanks and new planetarium show, *Journey to the Edge of* Space and Time, \$6, shows run-indefinitely, 5020 John R, Detroit, \$6-\$7, (313) 577-8400,--www.detroitsciencecenter.org.

Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm

1927 Dairy Barn, 1850 and 1840 furnished farmhouses with permanent and temporary exhibits about regional history. General admission \$5 adults, \$3 seniors and students. (248) 656-4663, www.rochesterhills.org.

Something Different Drive-In movies

Compuware Sports Arena, double features, through Sept. 3, \$6-\$8, 14900 Beck, Plymouth Township, (734) 927-3284.

Polish Wedding in the Park Polish food, dancing, music with Big Daddy Lackowski and the La Dee Das, Zajaczek Children's Ensemble, Wawel Dance Ensemble, 7-9 p.m., Wednesday, June 28, Shain Park, Merrill and Bates (south of Maple), downtown Birmingham.

Bloomfield Birmingham Art Center

artBLAST features fireworks, a barbecue with chef Randy Smith, art, fun and music, 7-11 p.m. Monday, July 3, tickets \$25-\$50, must be purchased in advance, call (248) 644-0866, Ext. 104, or visit www.bbartcenter.org. The BBAC is located at 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham.

Meadow Brook Hall and Garden

Tea on Tuesday, 3 p.m. July 18, special Little Ladies Tea, Aug. 22, \$45 per person, reservations required, on campus of Oakland University in Rochester (248) 364-6263 www.meadowbrookhall.org

Ballroom dancing

8-11 p.m., third Friday each month, Costick Center, 28600 11 Mile, Farmington Hills, (248) 473-1830.

Rochester Hills Museum

Fun Friday events, bring picnic lunch, swimsuit and watershoes to enjoy entertainment noon to 2 p.m. and 100-foot Slip & Slide, \$2, 1005 Van Hoosen, Rochester Hills, (248) 608-8261, www.rochesterhills.org.

Great Lakes Bat Festival

Saturday, Aug. 5, Cranbrook Institute of Science, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, \$5www.batconservation.org.

St. Joseph Mercy Health Exploration Station

Free Family Fun Days, fourth Thursday of each month, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., inside the St. Joseph Mercy Canton Health Building at 1600 S Canton Center Road, Canton, (734) 398-7518, www.healthexplorationstation.com.

Preservation Wayne

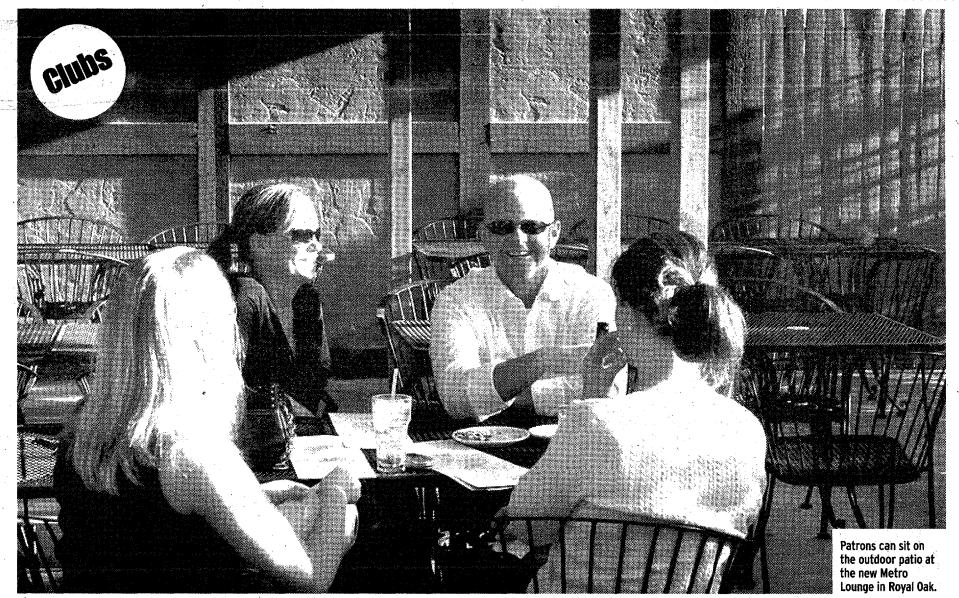
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Walking tours offered of five historic areas of Detroit (downtown, Eastern Market, Midtown, Auto Heritage and the Cultural Center), Saturdays at 10 a.m. or Tuesdays after work, through September, \$10 per person, visit www.preservationwayne.org or call (313) 577-7674

Movies at the Redford Theatre

8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, organ overture at 7:30 p.m., Saturday matinee at 2 p.m. and organ overture at 1:30 p.m., June 23 and 24 Thing From Another World. Located at 17360 Lahser, Detroit, Visit www.redfordtheatre.com or call (313) 537-2560.

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CASUAL AND SOPHISTICATED NEW LOUNGE COMBINES BEST OF BOTH

BY LANA MINI Staff Writer

The latest hotspot in Royal Oak doesn't have a theme or one particular focus. It's styled similarly to East and West coasts' trends of combining several good ideas.

Tapas, sushi and martinis are highlights of the Metro Lounge, the swanky spot located under the same roof as the Oxford Inn, an English pub that's been open for 18 years.

Owned by Bob and Mary Higgins, the Oxford Inn has a traditional feel and is known for steak, seafood and ribs. Now they have opened the Metro Lounge — geared toward business profes-

sionals who want to mix and mingle with like-minded friends.

Live music ranges from jazz to light alternative. Other established up-and-comers are expect-

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THE METRO LOUNGE

Where: 1214 S. Main Street, Royal Oak, connected to the Oxford Inn What: Tapas/Sushi and specialty martini bar

Clientele: Business professional, 28 to 45 years old. **Highlights:** Courtyard patio,

happy hour 5-7 p.m. Monday to Thursday and 4-6 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

Hours: 5 p.m. to 1 a.m. Monday-Thursday and 4 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday and Saturday **Music:** Jazz, light alternative and up-and-coming artists.

ed to perform here.

"The 28- to 45-year-old crowd has waited long enough to find a great place to mix and mingle after a busy work day," Bob Higgins said. "We offer an intimate venue to meet new friends or spend time with a business associate or friend. When it's time to let the day go, we offer the perfect atmosphere to be entertained."

A good time to visit might be on a summer weekday, as Metro Lounge has a courtyard patio. That is much needed, because there's never enough vacant outdoor seating spots in Royal Oak on warm days.

The bar has a strong martini menu, including a category called "Seven Deadly Sins" with each martini named to fit: The Original Sin, Envy, Gluttony, Lust, etc. The "Greed" martini contains Melon Liqueur, Blue Curacao, Malibu rum, Citron and a splash of 7-Up. The menu even reads "give us your car keys."

There's also cherry cosmos, chocolate almond martinis and an array of tart drinks like the



The lounge serves sushi and tapas.

Pina-Tini with Malibu rum, Stoli vanilla and pineapple juice. Or the Mandarin Sunset, with orange vodka, watermelon Pucker and a splash of orange juice. Popular dishes already are the calamari with two sauces; roasted veggie pizza with eggplant, peppers, onions and mushrooms; and sushi by Musashi, a reputable Japanese restaurant based in Southfield. An interesting salad is the spinach with mandarin oranges, red grapes, mushrooms, French fried onions and pecans with a Vidalia onion vinaigrette.

Prices are moderate. The average price for tapas or a salad is \$7-\$8.

Music festival raises funds for skate park

The city of Farmington Hills just got a little cooler.

Rather than just push skateboarders away from public areas, leaving them with no place to go, there might be a place for them to call home in Farmington.

There are plans to build a skatepark and a day of skating, music, volleyball and more is planned to raise funds for it. VampireKittyCity.com — a

Web site that promotes local bands — along with the city of Farmington Hills is hosting the first ever Teen Music Festival and Farmington Hills Skate Park Fund-Raiser.

The event is scheduled 1-9 p.m. Saturday, June 24, at the Farmington Hills Ice Arena, 35500 Eight Mile in Farmington Hills. The event is free to enter, but donations are encouraged to help build the park that would be located on the ice arena grounds.

It's a rain or shine event. Activities include open skateboarding all day,

dodgeball, henna tattoos, tie-dying, Disc Golf, sand volleyball and food. Local bands perform, including Lock Your Door, Fight Like Sinatra, Gone Awry, Fallen Heroes, Under Estimated, Common Culprit, Over the Counter,

Trueblood, Strange Habits, Lions of Thunder, Jason Simonson, Monkey Jacket, Jordan Maroko, Apart From You, Deadbeat, and Sweeter with the Tendency.

This is an all-ages, family event. For more information, visit www.F2H.org

Lana Mini

Romantics, Betts to rock the riverfront

The GM Renaissance Center's riverfront plaza will serve as the backdrop for a Friday night concert series this summer.

Presented by the GM Ren Cen Shops with Detroit's classic-rock station WCSX-94.7 FM, Rockin' On The Riverfront features classic rock headliners and regional bands from 8-10 p.m. every Friday night.

Admission is free. Parking is for \$10 at the surface lot at the intersection of St. Antoine and Atwater, adjacent to the GM Renaissance Center. One exception to the Friday night schedule will be a concert by Dickey Betts & Great Southern on Thursday, July 6. There Allman Brothers fans can see Betts, the former lead guitarist, vocalist and one of the song-

writers for the band. Other big-name bands include The Romantics on July 21, Alberta Adams on July 14, John D. Lamb on July 28 and Howling Diablos on Aug. 4. The series concludes with Grievous Angels on Aug. 18. Beer, wine and food concessions will

be available. Outside food, beverages or coolers

are not permitted. Proceeds from sales of beverages and food benefit local char-

Lawn chairs and blankets are permitted. Boaters on the Detroit River are invited to

anchor near the riverfront and enjoy the view of the stage from the water. "We hope the combination of great

music and the fantastic views of the Detroit River will entice people in the suburbs, as well as city residents and downtown workers, to come and enjoy music on the new riverfront," said Conrad Schwartz, Director of Asset Management for GM. "We look forward to creating a long-standing summer tradition with the Rockin' on the Riverfront concert series."

For more details call (313) 568-5600.

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As Seen on Comedy Central, Conan and Letterman!

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Tickets available at Palacenet.com, The Palace Box Office, and *ticketmaster* locations. Charge at 248-645-6666.

More than meets the eye 'Playing with Time' exhibit reveals what we can't see

BY NICOLE STAFFORD STAFF WRITER

Consider that a hummingbird beats its wings two to eight times in the amount of



time it takes to project one frame of a movie. Or ponder this one: Light from the Orion Nebula has been traveling toward Earth since the fall of the Roman Empire more than 1,500 years ago.

Okay, so time has one up on us – in more ways than one.

Cranbrook Institute of Science's newest exhibit, *Playing With Time*, promises to help us better understand the nature of time and how science has led to such knowledge.

The exhibit recently opened and continues through Sept. 4 at the Bloomfield Hills museum.

"The exhibit will definitely make people re-think time, and the change it brings because so much of what happens over time is 'invisible," said Stephen Pagnani, head of marketing at Cranbrook Institute of Science.

Much of the exhibit is comprised of hands-on interactive activities. For instance, visitors can experiment with high-speed photography and time-lapse video.

"The exhibits using strobes are very cool because the light freezes moments in time allowing you to see things like a stream of

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK

STAFF WRITER

Do you miss the drive-in

While it may not carry the

you as a teenager, the movies still

The Compuware Sports Arena

same ambience that it did for

give you - and your kids - a

each other, or a night out for

Drive-In Theatre returns this

summer. Three portable screens are ready to show movies in the

parking lot of the arena on Beck

your teenagers.

chance to share that time with

movies of your teen years?

WHAT TIME IS IT?

What: "Playing With Time," an interactive science exhibit.

When: Continues through Sept. 4. Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily with extend-

ed hours from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday. Where: Cranbrook Institute of Science, 39221

Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. Admission: Adults, \$7, children age 2-12 and

seniors, \$5, children under age 2 and members, free.

For more information, call (248) 645-3200 or (877) GO-CRANBROOK or visit, www.cranbrook.edu.

water broken down into many droplets," Pagnani said.

In contrast, records of natural change, such as eroded rocks, reveal mutations that occur in ways humans simply cannot perceive.

The exhibit, which was co-created by the Science Museum of Minnesota and Red Hill Studios with support from the National Science Foundation, breaks down into three sections.

There's the "Time Tools Lab" where visitors can experiment with high-speed cameras, strobes and other high-tech tools for capturing time.

An investigation area explores the scientific study of changes in three realms: the Earth, the universe and life. Here, interactive computer programs simulate

Quick change

Arena converts itself to drive-in

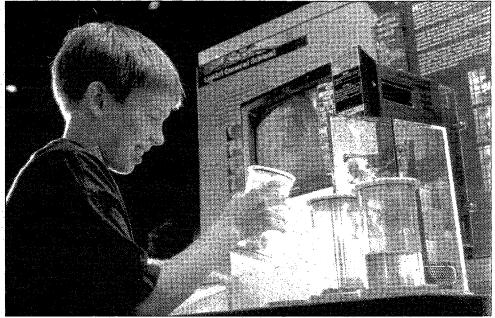


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Playing With Time at the Cranbrook Institute of Science allows visitors to explore time through hands-on exhibits.

geological Earth events and move backwards and forwards in time, allowing visitors to witness volcanic eruptions, glacial migration, land erosion and other longterm natural changes.

"The Reflectory" is a seven-screen theater that presents super-fast and superslow events from splashing water drops to the formation of a canyon.

"The exhibit is set up so that individual

or group exploration is possible," added Pagnani.

"We always try to make sure that there are portions of each exhibit that a child can do on their own and others that will require a joint effort between adult and child."

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DRIVE-IN FUN

What: Compuware Sports Arena Drive-In Movie Theatre Where: 14900 Beck Road, just north of M-14, Plymouth Township Open: Through Sept. 3. Gates open at 7:30 p.m., movies begin at dusk.

Concessions: Dining in or carry out at Ginopolis On the Ice restaurant inside the Compuware Sports Arena.

Tickets: Ages 13 and up, \$8; 4-12, \$6, and 3 and under, free. With student 1D, \$5 Sunday-Thursday. Special rates for groups of 20 or more

Hotline: (734) 927-3284 Web site: www.compuwarehockey.com

Our No. 1 priority is to bring families to the show."

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Road, just north of M-14 in Plymouth Township.

The drive-in opened June 15. and runs seven days a week through Sept. 3. Gates open at 7:30 p.m. and movies begin at dusk.

The drive-in will-show familyoriented double feature movies on each of the three screens set up for the summer viewing season. The screens are pulled onto frames with pulleys. The frames will be taken down in September. Matt Blasy, general manager of

Compuware Sports Arena, said the arena brought back the drive-in because it was popular last year. "We believe in the concept,

"We believe in the concept, and it's a great opportunity for family entertainment," Blasy said.

Full service concessions will be available from the summer menu for dining in or carry out from Ginopolis on the Ice Restaurant at the arena.

Blasy believes the drive-in can be nostalgic for the public. "(Drive-ins) went away for the most part, and most people 25 and under have never been to one," Blasy said. "Parents like the idea because it allows them to go back to their youth and they can introduce it to their children."

Prices are \$8 for adults and teens, \$6 for children 4-12, children 3 and under are admitted free. Groups of 20 or more will receive \$2 off Sunday-Thursday nights, and \$1 off Friday and Saturday nights.

The arena's drive-in also offers a facility for group fund-raisers and corporate parties.

"What we're showing is geared toward the family, PG or PG-13," Blasy said. "Everything is geared toward the family entertainment.

Guest conductor joins DSO

Peter Oundjian, recently appointed music director of the Toronto Symphony Orchestra, will serve as the principal guest conductor and artistic adviser for



Oundjian

ty, as the DSO continues its search for a music director, Maestro Oundjian (pronounced (UND-gin) will consult with the organization on artistic issues and conduct the orchestra in multiple weeks of concerts each season (two in 2006-07 and three in 2007-08).

'Peter has been a favorite artistic personality in Detroit since his days with the Tokyo String Quartet, when he would make regular visits here to perform with the Chamber Music Society, and subsequently the Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival," Anne Parsons, DSO president and executive director, said in a press



release. "Recently, he has enjoyed three visits to the DSO as a guest conductor, and has become a welcome addition to our musical life."

Oundjian said he has enjoyed an "increasingly exciting rap-

port" with the DSO musicians. "They are an extraordinary ensemble, and I am very much looking forward to shaping our shared vision for musical excellence and pursuing exciting new directions," he said. Oundjian's affection for

Orchestra Hall goes back to 1981, he said, when he first performed there under the auspices of the Chamber Music Society of Detroit and its leader, Tiny Konikow. "At that time there were pigeons in the balcony," Oundjian said. "In the following 14 years I witnessed the transformation of that space back to its original exquisite beauty in annual appearances with the Tokyo String Quartet, and it's been such a joy making music here with the Detroit Symphony these last few years."

Oundjian made his conducting debut with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra at

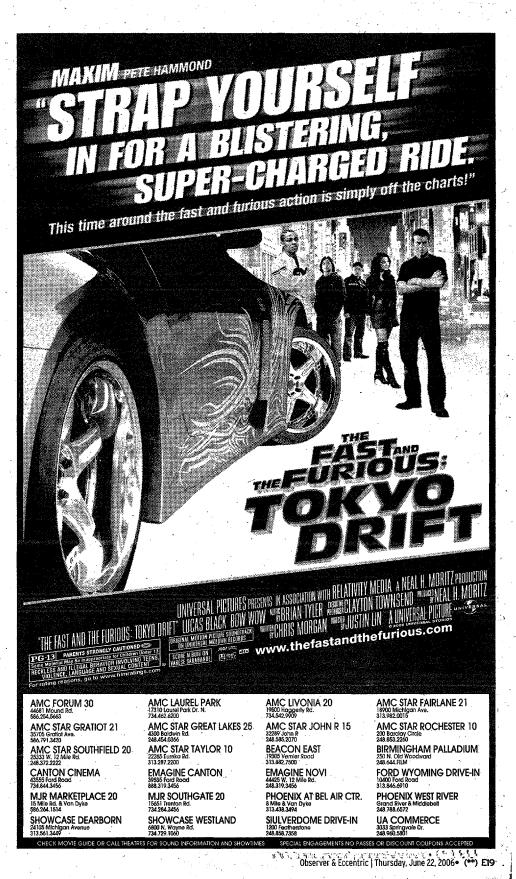


Meadow Brook Music Festival Aug. 3 and 4, 2001. He returned to lead performances at Orchestra Hall at the Max M. Fisher Music Center in 2003, 2005 and 2006

Oundjian opens the DSO's 2006-07 season at the Max M. Fisher Music Center, Sept. 7-10, 2006, conducting works by Beethoven, as well as Chopin and Rachmaninoff joined by brilliant

pianist Lang Lang as the soloist. He will be on the DSO podium again in May 2007 for a program of works by Rachmaninoff, Aaron Jay Kernis and Vaughan Williams, with guest pianist Yefim Bronfman.

For an upcoming schedule of Detroit Symphony Orchestra events and information, call (313) 576-5111, or visit www.detroitsymphony.com.



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Marmalade, Catfish Fritter with Southern Comfort BBQ Sauce, Vegetarian Dragon Noodle w/ Indonesian Peanut Sauce

Taste of Ethiopia, Southfield: Cabbage & Carrots, Red Lentils, Split Peas, Collard Greens with Ethiopian Injera Bread

The Melting Pot, Troy: Teriyaki Sirloin with Teriyaki Glaze, Chicken with Teriyaki Glaze, Pound Cake or Strawberries with Milk Chocolate Dipping Sauce

Under the Eagle: Hamtramck: Pierogi, Stuffed

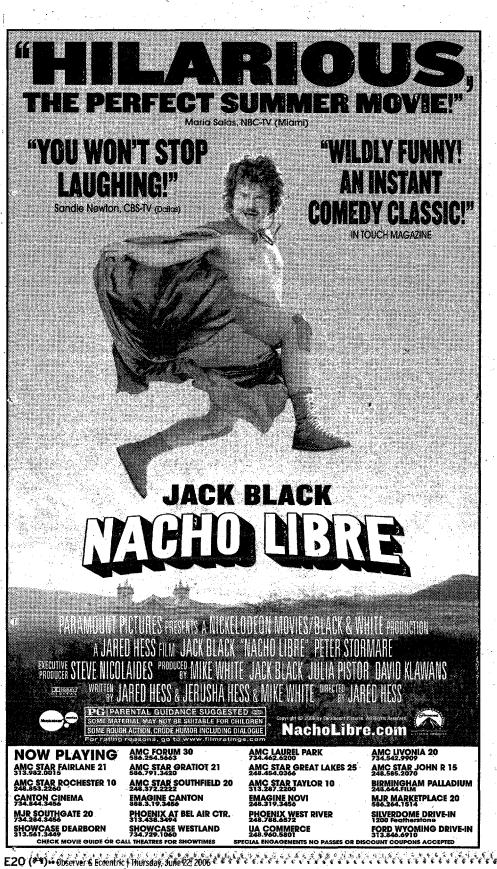
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Cabbage, Potato Pancakes, Dill Pickle Soup Au Bon Pain, Detroit: Fruit Cup, Brownies, Cookies, Croissants

Lola's, Detroit: Cheesecake on a Stick with Toppings, Deep Fried Brownies, Deep Fried Cookie Dough

Sweet Potato Sensations, Detroit: Sweet Potato Pie, Sweet Potato Cookies, Sweet Potato Cake, Sweet Potato Cheesecake Beverages: Budweiser, Bud Light, Bacardi

Raspberry Malt Beverage, O'Douls, margaritas, Green Apple Martini, Guinness Stout, Harp, Smithwick Ale, Woodpecker English Cider, and Michelob Amberbock, Coca-Cola products, freshsqueezed lemonade, tropical fruit juices and more



Motorcycle event benefits children

Nearly 3,000 motorcyclists will ride to the Detroit Zoo in the Mamon Ride for Children on Saturday, June 24.

They will ride en masse from Oakland International Airport to the zoo to raise money for special-needs children and children battling cancer. In the event of rain, the ride will be rescheduled for Sunday, June 25.

The ride begins at the airport in Waterford at 11:30 a.m. Bikers will travel east on M-59 to Woodward south, arriving at the zoo at around noon. Special-needs children and their families are invited to greet the riders and enjoy a day at the zoo.

Registration for the ride will take place at the airport from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. The cost to participate is \$25 per rider, which includes zoo admission. Twenty dollars from each registration fee will benefit the University of Michigan's new C.S. Mott Children's Hospital and the remaining \$5 will benefit the Detroit Zoological Society.

Parents can pre-register their specialneeds kids by visiting www.mamonride.com. One free admission ticket to the zoo for a special-needs

child is earned with the purchase of an \$11 adult ticket. Additional children's tickets are \$7.

More than 7,500 bikers have

participated in the Mamon Ride for Children in the past 10 years, raising more than \$350,000 for special-needs children.

"Our ride to the zoo will take bikers somewhere many haven't been in years and, at the same time, help the children take their minds off their troubles for a day," said Kaz Mamon III, founder of the Mamon

Ride for Children. The Detroit Zoological Society is a nonprofit

organization that operates the Detroit Zoo and Belle Isle Nature Zoo. The Detroit Zoo is located at the intersection of 10 Mile Road and Woodward Avenue, just off I-696, in Royal Oak.

The zoo is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily from April through October, with extended hours 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesdays during July and August. Admission is \$11 for adults 13 to 61, \$9 for senior citizens 62 and older, and \$7 for children ages 2 to 12; children under 2 are free.

For more information, call (248) 398-0900 or visit www.detroitzoo.org. The Belle Isle Nature Zoo is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily and provides educational programming with interpretive staff support from the Huron-Clinton Metroparks. For more information, call (313) 852-

4056.

Wrestling visits the Joe

Tickets go on sale Saturday, June 24, for SmackDown! and Extreme Championship Wrestling, coming to Joe Louis Arena at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 25. The body-slamming

The body-slamming doubleheader is the last chance for Detroit fans to witness action-packed World Wrestling Entertainment drama live before the ultimate WWE championship event, *WrestleMania*, returns to Detroit's Ford Field on April 1, 2007. Superstars, including World Champion Rey Mysterio, Bobby Lashley, Undertaker, and the King Booker T, will be in attendance.

Tickets are \$20 to \$60 and may be purchased at the Joe Louis Arena and Fox Theatre box offices, Hockeytown Authentics in Troy and at all Ticketmaster locations. To charge by phone, call (248) 645-6666 or purchase online at OlympiaEntertainment.com or Ticketmaster.com. For more information, call (313) 471-6611.

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Teens are reckless drivers in sequel **THE LAKE HOUSE**

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Here are capsule reviews of films that opened last week:

THE FAST AND THE FURIOUS: **TOKYO DRIFT**

This sequel in name and speed only is an expensive cinematic equivalent of boys playing rough with their Hot Wheels cars – while gor-geous, underdressed girls look on. The first two installments, The Fast and the Furious with Vin Diesel and Paul Walker and 2 Fast 2 Furious

with just Walker, had a few shreds of adult gravitas to go along with the racing engines, perhaps just because the actors were older. Tokyo Drift is set in an infantile world where teens drive garish cars with reckless impunity, while adults barely exist save for the occasional moment where the filmmakers want to show their young antiheroes rebelling against authority. Lucas Black leads the all-new cast as a speed freak sent to live with his dad in Japan, where he's caught up in a perilous world of illegal racing. Bow Wow, Nathalie Kelley, Sung Kang and Brian Tee co-star in the film from director Justin Lin. PG-13 for reckless and illegal behavior involving teens, violence, language and sexual content. 104 min. One and a half stars out of four.

David Germain, AP Movie Writer

GARFIELD: A TAIL OF TWO KITTIES

It was the worst of times, it was the worst of times. Sorry, couldn't help it. With a title like that, the bad Dickens puns are irresistible - and in this case, apropos. Bill Murray is back in this partanimated, part-live-action sequel to 2004's Garfield, again providing the voice of America's best-known overfed cat. Despite his droll delivery, Murray can't wring many laughs out of the mostly lame script from returning writers Joel Cohen and Alec Sokolow. This time, Garfield follows his owner, Jon (Breckin Meyer), to England to try to stop him from proposing to his girlfriend - a famous veterinarian with an important speaking engagement played by Jennifer Love Hewitt. (OK, that part IS pretty funny.) While he's there, he's mistaken for a cat who looks just like him (voiced by Tim Curry), who just happens to be a prince. Billy Connolly gamely plays the buffoonish nephew trying to take over the castle the royal British cat has just inherited. Bob Hoskins, Jane Leeves, Rhys Ifans and/Jane Horrocks are among the actors whose talents are wasted lending their voices to talking barnyard animals. Babe, it ain't. PG for some offcolor elements. 90 min. One and a half stars out of four.

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Kleenex won't be necessary for watching this wannabe weepy, but some sort of

pain reliever is essential - because trying to determine whether this time-travel romance functions logically will seriously make your head hurt.

Keanu Reeves and Sandra Bullock star as the successive inhabitants of a cozy, cool-looking lake house hidden along a quiet little section of coastline outside Chicago. Reeves (as architect Alex Wyler) moves in after Bullock (as doctor Kate Forster) moves out. They

drop perfunctory letters in the mailbox for each other about forwarding mail, some items left in the attic, etc. Soon they realize, though, that Alex is writing from 2004 and Kate is writing from 2006 exactly two years apart from each other, to the day. Regardless of whether you can go with this, Alex and Kate can - easily. In no time the letters turn flirty, then intimate, until both realize they're falling in love. Theoretically, part of the allure lies in watching the stars of Speed team up again in a totally different way. But in reality, all it does is make you wish a bus would come barreling through the production at 50 mph. PG for some language and a disturbing image. 108 min. One and a half stars out of four.

Christy Lemire, AP Movie Critic

NACHO LIBRE

He could be the long-lost cousin south of the border that Napoleon Dynamite never knew he had. As a monastery cook who raises money by secretly competing as a Mexican wrestler, Jack Black's Nacho Libre is just as committed to his aspirations as the dorky hero of the 2004 cult favorite Napoleon Dynamite, and just as delusional about his talent. Both films come from husband-and-wife Jared and Jerusha Hess, who've teamed up this time with writer-producer Mike White. They've created a movie that's far more cohesive than its predecessor, and not just a series of funny ideas with nowhere to go.

Black plays the humor totally straight - well, as straight as he can compared to his more manic work in films like High Fidelity and The School of Rock but still gets a lot of mileage out of a slightly crazed, raised eyebrow or by adding an unexpected lilt to the end of a sentence. A little of his shtick goes a long way, though.

Nacho Libre has many solid, silly laughs, but it runs out of flips and tricks and steam - about halfway through. PG for some rough action, and crude humor including dialogue. 91 min. Two and a half stars out of four.

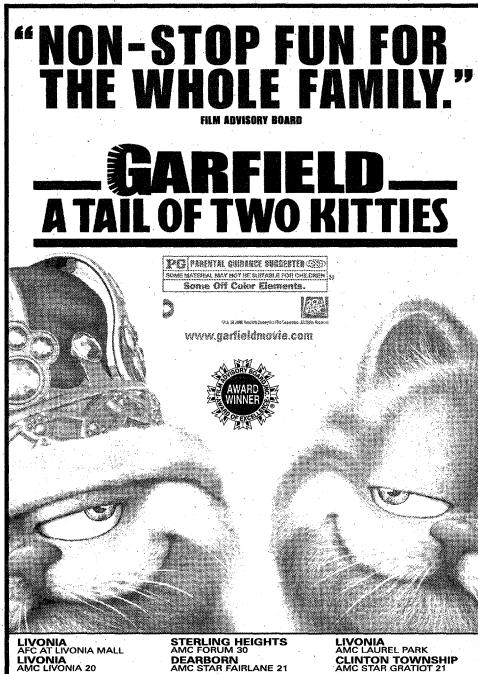
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WORDPLAY

The title's an eight-letter word for pure fun. This light, breezy documentary presents a genial gang of crossword puzzle fans whose passion for the pastime is gleefully infectious. Partly focused on a national crossword competition, director Patrick Creadon's film has all the thrill-of-victory moments of such recent documentary hits as Spellbound, Murderball and Mad Hot Ballroom. The film also offers a marvelous lineup of celebrity enthusiasts, including former President Clinton, comic Jon Stewart,

filmmaker Ken Burns, New York Yankees pitcher Mike Mussina and the Indigo Girls. At the center is Will Shortz, editor of The New York Times crossword puzzle and star of the puzzle-master segment on NPR. The film gives a lively glimpse into the making of a good crossword, and Shortz's annual puzzle tournament turns a solitary hobby into a nail-biting competitive sport. PG for some language and mild thematic elements. 90 min. Three stars out of four.

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"Movie under the Stars" event at Campus Martius Park

that runs throughout the summer.

The top six semifinalists will be selected by a combination of one Independent Film Channel judge, community leaders, and local celebrity judges. Winning films will be shown, one each week, at the series beginning Saturday, July 22, and continuing through Saturday, Aug. 26 at Campus Martius Park in downtown Detroit.

The semifinalists' films will also be available through Comcast ON DEMAND throughout August.

Then the top filmmaker (as rated by IFC viewers) will receive a digital camera worth \$5,000 and their film will be featured on IFC. Second-place gets a one-year movie pass to Phoenix Theaters in Detroit or Farmington Hills.

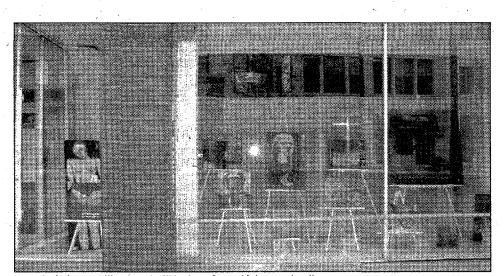
The winning filmmaker will be announced in early September at a red carpet event hosted at one of the Phoenix

Theatres. For contest rules and information on how to enter, visit www.comcastfilmseries.com.

The Comcast Summer Film Series is free of charge with live entertainment at 8 p.m. Fridays followed by the featured film at approximately 9 p.m. at Campus Martius Park.

For the schedule visit www.campusmartiuspark.org.

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Vacant windows on Woodward will be transformed into an art gallery.

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Imagine every window in Detroit filled with a piece of art.

That's something no other city has done. Could it happen here? We're about to find out.

As part of the new monthly Fourth Friday event beginning June 23 in Campus Martius, the Edgewise artist collective will fill the empty windows along Woodward Avenue, between Campus Martius and Grand Circus Park, with an art exhibit, turning Detroit's main drag into the "Avenue of the Arts.

Edgewise was spearheaded by artists Rachel DeLux and Ed Gardiner. Their goal is to fill every empty window in downtown Detroit with art that rotates between buildings. It would, they hope, encourage walking tours of various areas

Edgewise focuses on artists that may not be part of the gallery scene.

"We have one of the major art museums in the country, but more importantly we have a city full of artists just looking to be recognized and most have to leave to find that recognition," Gardiner said.

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windows in the wake of the Super Bowl development push and a city full of loft developments awaiting for people to move in. Let's put them together and create that cool city where they want to live.

This latest Edgewise exhibit will feature the work of many artists including DeLux, Gardiner, photographer Paul Von Schadd, James Dozier, Carl Oxley III, Tracy Brown, Bryant Tillman, JD Davis, Rick Lieder, Dave Lingle and Marica Henne.

DeLux scoured alleys to find discarded canvases and then "waded through a labyrinth of institutions, detoxes, prisons and even a punk-rock diva who stole her portfolio in the '80s.'

Gardiner has flourished in both the currents of pop culture underground art scene in Detroit, Los Angeles and San Francisco.

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