

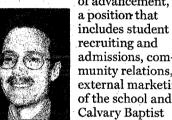
### PCA hires development director

**BY TONY BRUSCATO** STAFF WRITER

Plymouth Christian Academy has recorded an increasing number of financial donations over the past decade.

However, in this day of educational competitiveness, the K-12 Christian school — located on Joy Road in Canton — has taken a big step in its effort to remain competitive with its public and private neighbors.

The PCA Board of Regents has hired Del Wensley as its director of advancement,



admissions, community relations, external marketing of the school and **Calvary Baptist** Church, as well

Wensley

and scholarship opportunities. Wensley previously worked at the Evangelical Presbyterian Church denominational headquarters in Livonia, and for the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association.

as endowment

PCA, with an enrollment of 670, raises about \$100,000 annually in donations and gifts. Wensley,



PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Anna Nagelhout and Peyton Antil spend some time reading during their kindergarten class, taught by Kellyn Szajnecki and Heather Kavanaugh.

SUV buys a hint at change?

> BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

At first glance, the approval by the Plymouth City Commission Monday night to spend \$65,000 for two sport utility vehicles to replace a couple of police cruisers doesn't look too out-of-the-ordinary,

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However, the two will be added to a couple of Chevy Tahoe police-edition SUVs currently owned by the city, which will be more effective than police cars for a public safety department, in which police officers double-up as firefighters.

"It's proactive management, it keeps our options open," said Mayor Dan Dwyer, who noted purchase of the SUVs was only made because of the possibility of Plymouth developing its own public safety department. "Buying these aren't any more expensive than buying a car.

"We still don't know what the public safety model" might cost or look like, but we owe it to our residents to look at it," he said.

City officials have challenged Plymouth Township administrators about the escalating price tag to be a customer of the Plymouth Community Fire Department, which is costing the city nearly \$1.2 million annually for fire protection and ambulance service. And, after last week's admissions by Fire Chief Randy Maycock that fire stations have been closed because of staffing issues, city officials - who have looked at the public safety model in the past - are ready to make a decision by summer's end whether to move ahead with the plan. "Obviously, the city commission is not happy with being told there are stations being closed for parties, and firefighters don't want to come to work," said Plymouth Police Chief Wayne Carroll. "The commission has asked me to explore their avenues. "From out past exercises, this (public safety) appears to be the most viable," he said. "We've been in contact with Schoolcraft College and looking at training requirements to bring our staff up to the same state-certified level as Plymouth Township firefighters for fire protection." Under the public safety model, city officials say they would use Huron Valley Ambulance for medical runs Carroll said the Tahoes are needed to carry more equipment, should the public safety model become the standard in Plymouth.

whose job will include boosting that amount, said it all starts with the school's current constituents.

"(That includes) Our students, parents and alumni, as well as grandparents and community friends of Calvary Baptist, plus all the 100 churches that are represented by our families," Wensley said. "People are sacrificing their hard-earned money to make a gift, and in order to do that they have to be involved at the school. We've done well at that, but we need to take it to the next level."

While Plymouth-Canton Community Schools is planning to cut its development director position, Calvary Baptist Church senior pastor Tony Beckett said the hiring of Wensley is an indication growing the financial base is a key to the school's future.

"We want to be able to expand our facilities, improve our technology, better compensate our faculty and expand our curriculum offerings," Beckett said. "We're committed to lower class sizes and still are able to let students participate in athletics without special fees."

#### BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

When Jim Hackney and his wife. Deb. moved back home from Seattle in 1997 and started working in the family business - Red Bell Preschool - he figured he was just biding time until his father sold the business.

Tom Hackney, who had owned the business since 1959, finally completed the sale, but not until 2000

The buyers? Jim and Deb Hackney.

"My initial intention was to be with my family and help sell (Red Bell)," the younger Hackney remembered, smiling. "Through the process, I found the value of raising my own children here."

As a result, Red Bell Preschool will still be in the Hackney family when it celebrates its 50th anniversary later this month. It came into the family when Tom

and Darlene Hackney bought it in its original location, on Sheldon near the railroad tracks.

The 'Bell' tolls 50 at preschool

The Hackneys moved it to its present location, on Ann Arbor Trail just west of Sheldon. The building was just a house at the time; additions since then have turned it into the complex it has become today.

When Tom Hackney was ready for other challenges, he turned the daily operation over to Jack Lewis and his wife, Millie, who ran the school from 1972 to 1997, when Jim Hackney took it over.

"Dad was really just waiting for Jack to retire," said Jim, who attended elementary school across the street at Bird before the family moved to Sutton's Bay.

Running the school wasn't the future Hackney envisioned when he was finishing his business management degree at Seattle (Wash.) University,



**Kindergarten student Christopher** Jeffers plays with blocks at Red Bell Preschool in Plymouth Township.

"I think our intentions are the same as my father's were when he started. He wanted to work with kids ... and have an impact on society.'

Red Bell is a theme-based

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"We need them to carry all the turnout gear ...

Please see SUV, A2

## U-M transplant specialist remembered as a role model

#### **BY TONY BRUSCATO** STAFF WRITER

Brian Wolcott of Plymouth, the principal at Ann Arbor Father Gabriel Richard High School, attended a Monday night awards banquet in which coach Richard Chenault II was to be honored as Coach of the Year for girls' track and cross country.

During the banquet, Wolcott said he and the school's athletic director received nearly simultaneous cell

phone calls.

"Both of us were 'Oh, my God," said Wolcott.

Chenault, a transplant donation specialist at the University of Michigan, was one of six victims who died when their plane crashed shortly after takeoff from Milwaukee, on its way to the University of Michigan Hospitals to deliver organs to a patient awaiting a double-lung transplant.

"After we got the phone calls, we

took the four tables of girls and parents aside and told them," Wolcott said. "At first, the reports said it didn't look like anyone survived, but they couldn't confirm. It wasn't until this morning they were saying it was a recovery effort instead of looking for survivors."

Wolcott said the daily 7:15 a.m. Mass Tuesday morning at Gabriel Richard was filled with those mourning the death of Chenault.

"An all-school Mass will be held

Thursday for our school community and parents," said Wolcott, though details weren't immediately available.

Wolcott, a former athletic director at Plymouth-Canton Schools, was once a cross country and track coach.

"I'm a big fan of both sports and he would see me at meets and chat," Wolcott said of Chenault. "He would always take the time to talk to you."

Wolcott said it was just Saturday the girls' track team finished runnerup at the state meet.

'We have a CD of him and the girls getting the runner-up trophy,"-Wolcott said. "He used to jokingly tell the girls the three most important men in their lives should be God, their fathers and their track coach. He was a great role model for the kids."

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#### **Trailwood Garden Walk**

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The Trailwood Garden Club hosts its 12th-annual "Flowers are Forever" garden walk in Plymouth noon to 8 p.m., rain or shine, Tuesday, June 26. Tickets are \$8 pre-sale, \$10 the day of the walk. Tickets are available from Garden Club members and at Backyard Birds and Saxton's Garden Center, both in Plymouth, and Robin's Tips 'N Toes in Plymouth's Old Village. In addition to descriptions of the gardens, the ticket contains a map.

The six gardens have a variety of water features as well as many ideas that can be adapted to individual gardens.

Trailwood Garden Club's projects includes plantings in downtown Plymouth and at the new Veterans Memorial Park and new township hall, plantings and a bird feeder at the Medilodge of Plymouth, Fall Festival Perennial Exchange, Christmas decorations at the Plymouth Historical Museum, Michigan 4-H, Detroit Agricultural

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boots, pants, heavy jackets, masks," Carroll said. "That's a lot of gear to carry, plus the other specialized police and fire equipment.

Fire Chief Randy Maycock said public safety can work, but there are caveats.

"It works real well on paper," Maycock said. "The unfortunate part of those programs is they cost a lot of money to put in place, and if it's not working it costs a lot of money to work

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Network and other related activities.

For more information, call Marilyn Detmer, (734) 454-4625.

#### Veterans trips

Independence Village of Plymouth hosts a presentation from Honor Flight, an organization that provides free trips to World War II veterans to visit the World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C.

Dave Cameron, a representative from Honor Flight, will be on hand 3:15 p.m. Friday, June 8. Beverages and snacks will be provided following the talk, which is free and open to all veterans. RSVPs must be made by Thursday, June 7. For more information, call (734) 453-2600.

#### Church trip

The folks at St. Kenneth Catholic Church are organizing a vacation trip to England, Scotland and Wales Oct. 11-20.

The church hosts an Information Night about the trip 7 p.m. Thursday, June

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plans.

21, at St. Kenneth Parish. Potential trip-goers do not have to be a registered member of St. Kenneth's to partici-

pate. St. Kenneth is located on Haggerty between Schoolcraft and 5 Mile. For more information, e-mail padretom@ stkenneth.org or call (734) 420-0288.

#### 'Rapunzel' auditions

Auditions for RAPUNZEL will be held at the Marquis Theatre, located at 135 E. Main Street in downtown Northville, 6 p.m. Saturday, June 16.

Auditions are for children. ages 8-15 years old. Children must sing Do-Re-Mi from The Sound of Music. An accompanist will be provided. Prepare a poem or monologue no longer than 90 seconds. It does not have to be memorized.

For further information call The Marquis Theatre at (248) 349-8110.

#### Patterson staff hours

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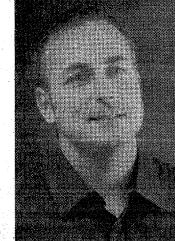
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through play. Teachers focus on developing skills such as fine- and large-motor skills, pre-reading, literacy, pre-math and social and language skills.

The school has some 190 kids this year, with teachers numbering in the 20s depending on the payroll. The staff works on making sure children making their way through Red Bell are ready for kindergarten.

"A lot of our goal in the preeducation process is acclimating the kids so when they do go to kindergarten, they can make it in classes that size," Hackney said. "It's humbling, because it's a lot of responsibility.

Red Bell has been around long enough, Hackney said,



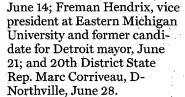
Jim Hackney and his wife, Deb, bought Red Bell Préschool from his dad, Tom, in 2000:

that it's "rooted deep enough in the community" to have second- and third-generation students.

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One of them is the grand-



Kiwanis meetings run noon-1:30 at Ernesto's Restaurant, 41661 Plymouth Road.

#### Village Voices

Village Voices, an ensemble chosen from the BeckRidge Chorale, presents their final concert of the season, All That Jazz.

From jazz standards to patriotic favorites, the program has something for everyone. Combining the work of some great vocal jazz arrangers with the incredible sound of Village Voices will make for a memorable afternoon of song.

The concert takes place 4 p.m. June 10 at The Village Theater, located at 50400 Cherry Hill in Canton. Tickets are \$12. For more information or to order tickets please call (866) 924-4276 or check out

son of Diane Kotsonas of Farmington Hills, whose two sons attended Red Bell. She was so satisfied with the school's performance that, when her grandson was having difficulty adjusting at another school, she recommended Red Bell to her daughter.

"She knew about it, because her brothers had gone there," Kotsonas said. "They did a lot of learning that was fun, there was a lot for the children to do. They did a lot of special things and they were very good with the children."

Jack Lewis, who still tries to keep up with the school even though he's been retired as its director for some 10 years, said the school's "homey" atmosphere and stability were it's major attractions, and the primary reasons for its success.

"We would frequently take surveys as to why people came to us and 85 percent was word of mouth, which tells me people were satisfied with our service," Lewis said. "We had the mothering and grandmothering type teachers who really loved kids."

the group's Web site at www. plycommunitychorus.org

www.hometownlife.com

#### Walking tour

The Plymouth Historical Museum, in partnership with the Plymouth Preservation Network, hosts a historic walking tour of Plymouth's Liberty Street and Old Village 10:30 a.m. Saturday, June 23.

Tickets are \$10 per person, limited to 25 people. Tickets are available at the Plymouth Historical Museum during museum hours 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, or they can be purchased through PayPal at www.plymouthhistory.org/ walkingtours.html.

#### Volunteers needed

The Plymouth YMCA hosts its 28th Fathers Day Run Sunday June 17, 2007. The race will be in downtown Plymouth, 6:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Volunteers are still needed. Anyone interested in volunteering should contact Cindy Morency at the YMCA office, (734) 453-2904.



Red Bell, opened in 1957 by Tom Hackney, celebrates 50 years in business.

school will celebrate its 50th anniversary with a "carnival atmosphere" celebration June 16, when Hackney hopes to bring back both former teachers and former students. The festivities will feature lots of music, games and a train ride.

After that, it's back to doing what Hackney feels the school does best.

'We want to reinstill values, because you can see in today's society there's been a lapse," he said. "If you don't instill that, nobody else is going to. Teachable moments don't come on your schedule. We're setting our kids up for future success."

The Plymouth Community Fire Department currently has 23 firefighters, and Maycock preschool where children learn said he's hopeful of adding four more over the summer. However, he admitted a move by Plymouth to public safety would definitely change those

"We certainly would have to look at downsizing to compensate for lost revenues,"/ Maycock said. "A little over 80 percent of my budget correlates to people."

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Pleasing all the people?

IKEA reaction varies as giant retailer celebrates first anniversary

#### **BY TIFFANY L. PARKS** STAFF WRITER

Once touted as a "golden opportunity" for commerce, has IKEA's much-anticipated arrival brought prosperity to other Canton businesses? It depends who you ask.

In the year since the Swedish-based powerhouse opened its doors at Ford and Haggerty, some business owners said the IKEA overflow has been felt, but others offered that the coming of the megastore has slowed down business along the Ford Road corridor.

"I've been here 16 years and this has been my worst year," said Nathan Jarbou, manager of Cracker Barrel Party Center.

The store, which sits opposite of IKEA on Ford Road, has seen a sharp decline in business since last June, Jarbou said.

"I've had my regular customers tell me they won't come over here because of traffic," he said. "I've tried everything, too. Flyers, newspaper ads, (discounts)."

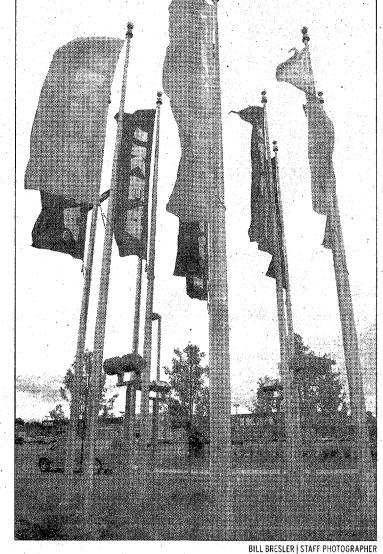
Leaning on a glass counter Monday afternoon, Jarbou glanced around his empty party store and said, "This used to be my busy time of the day.'

IKEA, the ultra-trendy home furnishings store, could rival any mainstream celebrity on the popularity meter. In addition to a fanatic customer base that trots the globe for grand openings, several Web sites professing love for the low-cost merchandiser are floating in cyberspace.

While IKEA Canton spokesperson Lisa Allen said new customers visit the store everyday, she declined to offer any numbers on how many people have shopped at the 311,000square-foot store since its grand opening on June 7, 2006. The township location has more than 450 employees.

"We've been successful," Allen said. "We've brought a new, unique shopping experience to many. It's been very exciting."

Saying that the weekend is



Canton's IKEA has been open nearly one year.

"more exposure" since the store's arrival.

Referring to a typical Saturday on Ford Road as a "12-hour traffic jam," Jarbou said his customers have been turned off by the flocks of shoppers heading into the doit-yourself furniture paradise.

"The first six months were really bad," he said. "It's quieted down a lot but by now, my customers have found other places to go."

Kathleen Salla, Canton **Downtown Development** Authority coordinator, said she's been impressed with IKEA's impact on the area.

"Obviously, it's brought a lot of people here," she said. "My experiences with the other businesses have been that it's

TacoTime owner Tom Thakker opened his restaurant in Ford Road's Willow Creek Plaza just west of IKEA a year and a half ago and said his foot traffic initially increased with IKEA's arrival, but has since

fallen. "People are trying to stay away," he said.

Last February, the Canton Chamber of Commerce partnered with the DDA to present a series of sessions designed to help business owners "take advantage of the exciting opportunity to attract IKEA shoppers to the other areas of the community."

Thakker said the efforts are good in theory but have yet to pan out.

"The typical shopper has

Not all neighbors happy with IKEA

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cars," he said. "They go to IKEA, eat there and then they go home."

Cheryl and Scott McLeay, the owners of Canton Embroidery & Airbrushing at 42142 Ford, say they've experienced an increase since IKEA opened but it hasn't been in customers.

"Our rent went up," Cheryl McLeay said, while her husband added that when they began looking into the possibility of relocating to a different Ford Road plaza, they learned the price hikes were common.

'We were told the property values have gone up because IKEA is here,' Scott McLeay said. "So, we hoped that they would give us more exposure and bring in more business, but it just didn't happen."

**Chamber President Dianne** Cojei said that any shoppers avoiding Ford Road because of traffic shouldn't be wary. She said road improvements have made the commercial stretch easier to travel.

"Have you really been on Ford Road? There's such a big improvement," she said, but added, "If there's no traffic then there's no business."

IKEA unlocked one of the state's best kept secrets, Cojei said.

"We were a small, bedroom community and they helped put Canton on the map," she said.

**Township Supervisor Tom** Yack said he's pleased with IKEA's first year in Canton.

"It has done what we thought it would do," he said. "They have year in, year out, guaranteed customers. Do. they all shop at (our) other stores? No, but you do get some. Not everyone will benefit but some have.'

Yack credited IKEA for fueling Michigan Avenue's redevelopment, which will include a new Target and a Wal-Mart Supercenter.

tiparks@hometownlife.com | (734) 459-2700 name, said he's been happy

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS STAFF WRITER

Michelle Price says she can't help but shake her head when she hears Canton residents gushing over the township's vear-old Swedish superstore.

"My sister lives on the other side of town and I hear ladies talking about how great IKEA is," Price said. "I tell them, how about we trade? You would feel different if it was in your backvard."

Price, 39, lives directly north of the home furnishings giant on Greenwood.

"We hear trucks all night," she said, adding that she thought the noise was bad before she recently spent the night in her daughter's room. "I couldn't believe it. I said 'honey, is it like this all the time?' and she just said 'yeah, mom, it's like this.' It was so loud."

Kathy Ferrier, 33, also lives on Greenwood and agrees with Price.

"I knew it would be trouble." she said of IKEA's presence. "We hear pallets booming and idle trucks."

Ferrier said her major concern is the timing of the store's deliveries. She said trucks have arrived at the store as early as 3:30 a.m. and sat idle.

"My kids think it's thunder," she said.

Township Supervisor Tom Yack said the international store's only "downfall" has been its truck scheduling. He said the township has stepped in to help solve the problem,

"I thought we got it resolved, but if not, I'll make the call," he said.

Lisa Allen, IKEA Canton spokesperson, said the company has listened to homeowner concerns and installed a gate to ward off trucks during early-morning hours and created a no-idle rule.

"They have my direct number and e-mail," she said. "We definitely do what we can to make our neighbors happy." Mark, a Greenwood resident

that declined to give his last



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On summer nights when bedroom windows are open, Brittney Berkey is often awakened by the sound of trucks at IKEA. Her cousin, Caitlin, Spooner, spends a lot of time with; Brittney and notices the noise, too.

with IKEA's presence.

"I've had no problems, in fact, it's been an improvement," he said, adding that water retention in the pond south of his backyard has gotten better. "I've always avoided the Haggerty/Ford intersection, so that's no different."

Price said she rarely travels Ford Road because IKEA brings so many people into the township.

"I go to Plymouth," she said. Yavonkia Jenkins lives in a condo off of the southwest corner of Haggerty and Ford and said she's thrilled about IKEA's close proximity.

"There's always been traffic," she said. "It has nothing to do with IKEA."

Jenkins said she's a regular customer of the world-famous store.

"I think it's been good for Canton," she said, adding that she became nervous in 2005, when IKEA threatened to drop its construction plans over a parking lot dispute with the owner of ABC Warehouse's building. IKEA later bought the building that houses ABC.

"When I thought they weren't going to come I was so disappointed," Jenkins said. "I'm happy they are here."

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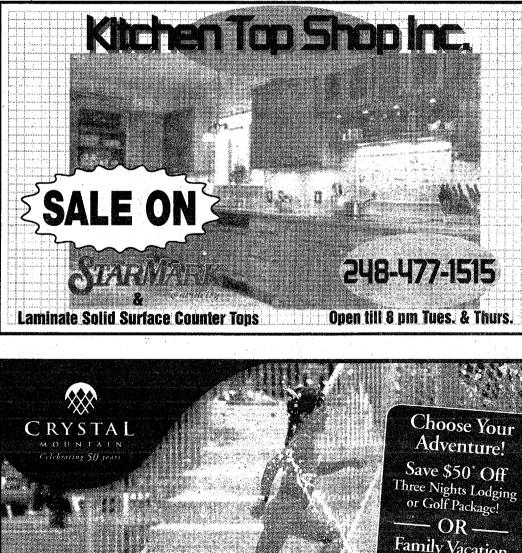
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the prime time for IKEA fans, Allen said she's never heard sentiments such as Jarbou's. Instead she said some businesses have been provided

brought in new customers. It's been positive."

Salla said a kiosk highlighting other establishments has been set up inside the store.

been in there for hours, they are tired and then a lot of them buy (big, furniture items) and don't want to then drive around with the boxes in their



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Ron Hassen finds a bicycle tire in the Rouge. Aaron Hunter steps over a log- A volunteer drags a log from the Rouge at Holliday Nature Preserve in Westland.

On Saturday, thousands of volunteers gathered to remove river debris, plant native species and remove invasive species, stabilize streambanks and learn about river conservation at workshops.

jam.



Cub Scouts Cameron Kuhne and Nicholas Barton fish floating trash from the Rouge at Lola Valley Park. They belong to Pack 342 from Keeler School.

# **Rouge Rescue 2007**

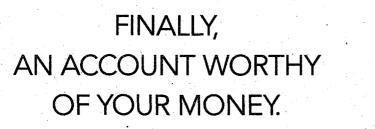
This is Water Week in Southeast Michigan, a time to celebrate Michigan's most abundant resource.

Water Week activities include the annual Rouge Rescue, held Saturday, June 2, at locations throughout Oakland and Wayne County. Clinton River Day, Livingston Waterfest and St. Clair County River Day are scheduled June 9-10.

On Saturday, thousands of volunteers gathered to remove river debris, plant native species and remove invasive species, stabilize streambanks and learn about river conservation at workshops.



Young volunteers drag logs from the Rouge River in the Holliday Nature Preserve in Westland. About 100 volunteers worked at the site on Saturday.



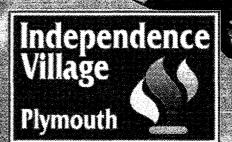
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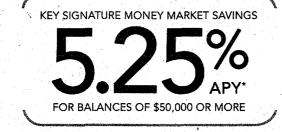
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### Survival Flight team members saved lives

#### BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

Dr. Robert Kelch and the University of Michigan Health System staff were in mourning Tuesday morning over the loss of Survival Flight Team members Dr. David Ashburn, Richard Chenault II, Dennis Hoyes, Richard Lapensee, Bill Serra, and Dr, Martin Spoor, but vowed that the U-M Transplant Program would continue even though the deaths were a "tremendous blow to the institution.

The six team members were on a return flight after procuring organs in Milwaukee when their plane crashed in Lake Michigan on Monday afternoon. As of 6 a.m. Tuesday, the mission became one of recovery. There were no survivors.

U-M president Mary Sue Coleman lauded the team's accomplishments saying they were doctors and nurses who perform heroic work Kelch, executive vice presi-

dent for medical affairs, called the men a "highly skilled team.'

'They were all wonderful, caring human beings who were dedicated to saving lives," said Kelch.

Survival Flight teams transport about 150 organ donations by helicopter and fixed-wing jet annually.

More than 7,000 children and adults have received transplants at U-M since the first patient received a kidney in 1964. The 15 surgeons in the Transplant Program are responsible for performing about 400 heart, liver, kidney, lung, and pancreas transplants a year.

We want to honor and remember their contributions," said Kelch. "They died trying to help someone else."

The patient awaiting the transplant was in critical condition as of late Tuesday morning

While no clinical activities had been suspended at University Hospital in Ann Arbor, celebrations to mark the opening of the new 350,000 sq.

Hayes Jones, 68, has been selected to become the new general manager of the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation to replace retiring Dan G. Dirks. Jones appointment was announced last week following a special meeting of the SMART Board of Directors. Jones, a former Olympic gold and bronze medalist, has more than 40 years of government and private business sector experience. Recently, Jones served a partial term as the Democratic state representative in the 29th District. He also was the director of

Oakland County's Economic **Development and Community** Affairs and the senior advisor for Automation Alley.

'Hayes brings a unique set of skills and experience that will be invaluable in the role of General Manager," said Matthew Wirgau, Chairman SMART Board of Directors. "His experience in the private

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Hayes Jones is general manager for SMART.

sector, transportation and Michigan State Legislature will be beneficial as SMART continues its success in obtaining the State and Federal funds it needs to continue operating quality transit service.

Dirks is retiring effective June 30 after 30 years with

SMART and its predecessor SEMTA. He is the longest serving general manager in the agency's history.

Hayes Jones named new SMART general manager

Dirks has guided SMART through three successful millage elections, bolstered ridership, created a community partnership program that has become a national model, replaced the fixed route fleet with ramp equipped buses and has elevated the awareness of SMART's role in public transit.

Working 30 plus years at SMART I have developed a great fondness for the organization and its employees," said Dirks, "It is gratifying to know I am leaving the agency in the hands of two very capable people who should move SMART forward.

Jones taught school in Detroit, but left his post when appointed by Mayor Jerome P. Cavanagh to the Youth

Employment Project, a program organized to train high school graduates in employable skills. In 1968, Jones also was appointed by Mayor John Lindsay as New York's first **Recreation Commissioner.** Locally, Jones has had various management positions with Stroh' Brewery Company, Pro Air Inc. and American Airlines

He has been a board member of several organizations including the Pontiac Area Chamber of Commerce, Pontiac School District, Pontiac Area Urban League and Chairman of the Economic Development Committee-Oakland Business Roundtable. He is an honorary chair of the 2007 and 2008 Michigan Senior

Olympics. Jones holds an Olympic Gold Medal for the 110meter hurdles from the 1964 games in Tokyo, Japan and an Olympic Bronze Medal in the same event in the 1960 games in Rome, Italy.

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The SMART Board also recommended the appointment of Steven M. Brown to serve in the previously unfilled position as Deputy General Manager. Steven Brown is the **Director of Administration** - Public Health for Wayne County, current part time Mayor of Lincoln Park and was a former SMART Board member.

The SMART Board of Directors consists of two members from Macomb, Oakland, Wayne counties and one member from Monroe County. SMART is the suburban transit system for Southeast Michigan providing 12 million rides annually for commuters, entry level workers, senior citizens and people with disabilities. 1. BON

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## Wounded warriors have date with MIS

#### **BY SUE MASON** STAFF WRITER

Robert Stottlemyer is in need of a few wounded warriors who have an interest in auto racing.

Thanks to a donation from **Roger Curtis of Michigan** International Speedway, the Westland city councilman has tickets available for the Citizen Bank 400 June 17 for members of the military who served and were wounded while serving in Iraq or Afghanistan.

'The focus is on the wounded soldiers and their kids," said Stottlemyer. "Each soldier will get a ticket plus one for a guest.

Stottlemyer came up with the idea and mentioned it to State Rep. Richard LeBlanc, D-Westland. He liked the idea and shared it with someone in Lansing who also thought it was great and contacted MIS.

Like everyone else, they also thought it was great idea, including Roger Curtis at MIS who provide the 50 tickets worth about \$5,000.

MIS officials have asked that the tickets go to the wounded warriors and they will be given first opportunity, Stottlemyer said.

The Stottlemyers initially thought about getting a bus to transport the soldiers and their guests to the speedway in Brooklyn, Mich., but the \$800 charge was too pricey. So soldiers who call for the tickets will have to provide their own transportation for the afternoon of Nextel Cup NASCAR racing in the Irish Hills.

And since the event was quickly arranged, participants will meet at a specific location at MIS to get their tickets. The race starts at 2 p.m.

"When they call, I explain that we will get back in touch with the information on where we will meet at MIS," said Betty Stottlemyer.

The Stottlemyers have gotten some response to fliers that they gave to people to give out at the Ann Arbor VA Hospital, and have given some to the VA Center for Guidance and Counseling in

Dearborn, but there's about 35 tickets left. According to Betty Stottlemyer, the first call they got, the soldier was "so excited.

"He said, 'It'll be such a great bonding day for my son and I,' she said. "The people who called who are really into this, asked for multiple tickets. We've told them we'll contact them latter. Right now we're guaranteeing two tickets per soldier."

This is the third time the Stottlemyers have been involved in events benefitting wounded warriors. They've help raise thousands of dollars through a USO-style dinner dance and a concert by Lee Greenwood.

Stottlemyer shuns any attention given to what he is doing for the soldiers. "The focus is on the wounded soldiers and their kids," he said.

Wounded soldiers interested in seeing the race, must call the Stottlemvers at (734) 721-4594 by Sunday, June 10, for more information.

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#### **Research Opportunity**

Andy Brown of Canton will spend the summer in Ann Arbor, having won a grant from the University of



research, learn data collection techniques, and ultimately present their results at a public

forum. Brown will receive a \$3,500 stipend. This is the first time the U-

M has offered this program to community colleges, although it has existed for many years for U-M undergraduates.

"This is a service learning project," said Colleen Pilgrim, assistant professor of psychology. Pilgrim has worked with the UROP program director, Dr. Alba Rueda-Riedle, for several years, helping teach the UROP students how to present research findings. When **Rueda-Riedle received new** funds to expand the program, she offered the opportunity to Schoolcraft students.

They will spend through Aug. 17 working on their projects and once a week they will conduct a three-hour seminar to discuss their progress, learn from each other and get assignments. In October, they will present the results of their research for all of the summer fellows at a forum that is open to the university and the public.

Brown, a second-year student who plans to spend a third year at Schoolcraft in biomedical engineering, currently is president of Phi Theta Kappa, the honors society. Brown will work with Recycle Ann Arbor, doing research related to solar panels.

"I'm very excited about this." said Brown. "I plan to transfer to U-M in Ann Arbor and I know that internships are hard to get. Ideally, I can use this as a stepping stone for more complicated things."

Brown will work with the City of Ann Arbor - Recycle Ann Arbor on a project to examine the potential for solar energy in the city's residential

**ON CAMPUS** homes. He will create a solar

access inventory for singleand multi-family residences using geographic information systems, city aerial maps, street numbers, mapping the locations for potential solar panels.

#### Madonna Dean's List

Named to the Dean's List in recognition for superior academic achievement during the past term at Madonna University in Livonia were the following Canton residents: Stacey Alcorn; Sandra

Balewski; Jo Ellen Baringer; Ruth Beckman; Scott Benner; Kristina Birch; Nadine Bonnet; Sherry Browning; Marianne Carter; Nicole Chambo; Carrie Cluff; Sarah Cole; Suzanne Cox; Tamica Dean; Gina Dembinski; Andrea Dortch; Amanda Ellul; Kevin Entsminger; Shannon Ferguson; Robin Fraser; Tina Gelardi; Noah Goldberg; Ashley Gray; Lauren Green; Kimberly Guilfoyle; Jennifer Hebel; Janet Hedrick; Karen Henke; Amy Henry; Charles Henry; Joshua Hoover; Jennifer Jablonski; Andrea Johnson: Jonathan Johnson; Christine Keena; Adam Kerfoot; Young-Kyu Kim; Ashleigh Klimek; Christina LaDuke; Bridgette Lansu; Christopher Leach; Elizabeth Lulek; Scott Marinski; Lisa McBridge; Deborah McCoy; Robert McCoy; Carl McDevitt; Sharon Melton; Fadi Nader; Britany Norris; Rebecca Odqvist; Brandon Oyer; Bethany Paul; Janice Payne; Kristin Phillips; Emilie Pickert; Rachel Pinsky-Cail; Ann Marie Plagens; Andria Quigley; Swati Rajpurohit; Nifiah Nurenna Reid-Sanders; Nancy Richards; Heather Richardson; Janice Rodrigue; Allison Roy; Seong-Hwan Shin; Lisa Sprankle; Ashley Stoychoff; Elizabeth Taboko; Teresa Tallman; Christina Todaro; Sara Veneziano; Carolyn Verla; Alexandru Vlad; Charles Walker; Yvonne White; Charles Wolfe; Nicole Worthington; Melissa Wroblewski; Christi Yettaw; Kristen Yuschak. In addition several Canton residents graduated from Madonna after the past term. They were:

Keith Arnold, Nursing; Ruth Beckman, Nursing; Jennifer Jablonski, Psychology-**Business Concentration;** Christine Keena, Child Development; Christina LaDuke, Nursing; Cheri Opaski, Merchandising Management; Janice Payne, Psychology; Andria Quigley, **Business Administration;** Nifiah Nurenna Reid-Sanders. Nursing; and Sara Veneziano, Nursing.

#### **Albion Dean's List**

Several local students have been named to the Albion College Dean's List for the fall 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:

Matthew Baciak is a sophomore with a concentration in the Gerald R. Ford Institute for Public Policy and Service. He is the son of Jan and Ilona Baciak of Canton and a graduate of Canton High School.

William Fitzsimmons is a sophomore majoring in biology and minoring in chemistry. He is the son of Joseph Fitzsimmons, Jr. and Julie Fitzsimmons of Canton and a graduate of Canton High School.

Kimberly Heaney is a freshman at Albion College. She is the daughter of Michael and Karen Heaney of Canton and a graduate of Salem High School.

Sarah Jose is a sophomore majoring in economics and management, with a concentration in 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.

Andrew Leinart is a junior majoring in philosophy and English. He is the son of Susan Freeman of South Lyon and a graduate of Canton High School.

■ Amy Lindman is a senior majoring in Spanish education and minoring in secondary physical education, and is completing the secondary education program. She is the daughter of Russell and Carol Lindman of Canton and a graduate of Canton High School.



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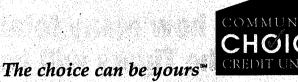
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In 100 words or less, tell us why you're a fan and would like to have lunch or dinner at Buddy's Pizza in June with Diana Lewis and Glenda Lewis of WXYZ-TV (Channel

7). Send your fan letter to

BuddysDiningStars@gmail. com and be sure to include your name, address, daytime phone number and e-mail address. Deadline to enter the June contest is 5 p.m. Monday, June 11.

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And to top it off. Buddy's Pizza will donate \$500 to each star's special children's charity.

"We want our winners to dine with their favorite stars and feel like a star, too," says Marcy Brontman of Buddy's

Look for upcoming dining with these local stars - July: Jay Towers of WKRK-FM (97.1); August: CoCo of WJLB-FM (97.9); September: Chuck Gaidica of WDIV-TV (Channel 4) - in all Observer & Eccentric and Mirror editions and online at www.hometownlife. com.

No purchase necessary to enter. Buddy's Pizza will review all entries and select the top four "fan" letters. The star's) featured for the month will make the final selection. Lunch and/or dinner date to be determined with winner and star by Buddy's representatives.



Glenda and Diana Lewis of WXYZ-TV Channel

## Golf outing helps Angela Hospice fulfill mission

Angela Hospice's supporters and business friends will once again head to the greens for the organization's annual golf outing, to benefit programs for terminally ill patients and their families.

**Phillips Service Industries** of Livonia is sponsoring the outing, which will take place Friday, June 15. "We are excited about taking our golf outing to the Woodlands of Van Buren, in Wayne, this year," said Barbara Paul, events coordinator for Angela Hospice. "This is a new venue for Angela Hospice and we anticipate a great day of golf." The event begins with continental breakfast and free range balls before golf, shotgun start at 10 a.m., followed by 18 holes of golf with cart, box lunch and open beverage carts on the course. A steak reception follows golf with an open bar and dessert, prizes, and a mini silent auction.

"We are receiving registration for golfers weekly," said Paul, "but there is still room for new and returning individuals and groups to join us."

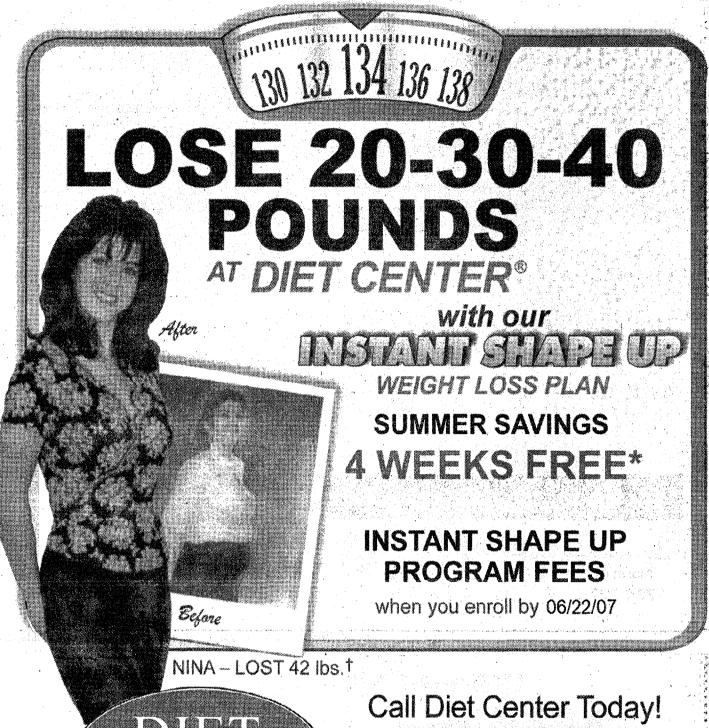
Golfers can register in. foursomes or as individuals at a price of \$175 per golfer. Packages for business partners and corporate sponsors are also available.

The popular "First Choice" Raffle is one way for both golfers and non-golfers alike to take part in the enthusiasm. Each \$10 ticket offers a chance to win one of four prize packages, including a Mackinac

not covered by insurance reimbursements. Since 1985, Angela Hospice has been providing home hospice services to patients throughout Southeast Michigan.

Angela Hospice also offers specialized programs for terminally ill children, a prenatal hospice program, and a dedicated hospice care center, which provides a homeaway-from-home for hospice patients. To learn more about supporting the mission of Angela Hospice and the annual golf outing, call Barbara Paul at 734-953-6014 or visit www.angelahospice.org.





Island getaway; a weekend at a Northern Michigan golf resort; Tigers box seats and a helicopter ride with WJR; or a night on the town with Detroit Symphony Orchestra tickets, and a stay at the Atheneum Suite Hotel. "Thanks to Phillips Service Industries generously underwriting this event, 100-percent of proceeds will directly benefit Angela Hospice's patients and families," Paul said.

The event will support Angela Hospice programs



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## Crain's lauds copy editor Tardy from O&E

For helping lead the "handmade revolution" in metro Detroit, Stephanie Tardy, a copy editor and page designer at the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, was recently recognized by Crain's Detroit Business as one of its "20 in their 20s Class of 2007."

The award honors those 'trying to make a creative difference in the region."

Nearly 200 people were nominated. Tardy, who lives in Pleasant Ridge, was nominated by *O*SE staff writer Megan Pennefather.

"Stephanie is one of the most creative, generous and loving people I know, and her idea for the Detroit Urban Craft Fair was so innovative that I thought more people should know about it," Pennefather said.

"I nominated her for two reasons: I wanted her to get credit for all the wonderful things she does with the Detroit Urban Craft Fair, and I also wanted to get the word out about the great organization she founded "Handmade Detroit.'

Tardy maintains a busy schedule in the crafting world. She's the founder of

Phantom Limb, her personal craft company.

"I am the sole employee, and I really see it as an extension of my graphic design background," she said. "It produces handmade paper goods and writing-related items, such as stationery and journals, as well as some sewn items like journal covers and my personal zines."

She's also a co-founder of Handmade Detroit, a collective for do-it-yourself crafters.

"The group has an 'open door' policy, meaning we consider everyone who participates in any of our outlets (as a seller at an event, as a commentator on our blog, or is one of our a MySpace friends) to be a member," Tardy said.

"We think of it this way so that people see that others are into the same stuff as them, and also to encourage every "member" to share opportunities and work with each other to do stuff. Saying that though, there are six core members. who help run the day-to-day functions of the group, such as organizing events, writing the Web site, helping promote, etc. These girls also produce the Detroit Urban Craft Fair.' Other Handmade Detroit members include Bethany Nixon of Pontiac, Amy Cronkite of Oak Park, Alicia Dorset of Plymouth (a former *O*೮*E* page designer) and Carey Gustafson of Ferndale. The Detroit Urban Craft fair is a one-day alternative craft fair at the Majestic Theatre in Detroit. Last year's fair was the first and had 50 vendors and 1,200 people attend. Soon after, the group held the Handmade Detroit Holiday Market at the Magic Stick. The Holiday Market hosted 25 vendors and had about 400 attendees.

artists and see about 200 attendees every month.

"I am excited for Stephanie and a big fan of her endeavors with Handmade Detroit," said Dan Dean, OSE presentation editor. "She is very creative person and it is cool to watch her pursue her passion and turn it into a business."

The main idea behind DIY, or 'the handmade revolution' as it's sometimes called, is to elevate traditional crafting to a creative art," she said. "It's the old art vs. craft debate. In DIY, a painting is worth as much creatively as a hand-sewn skirt. DIY also values the process of making something as equally as the finished good. This is very similar to art, and makes the vibe of a DIY craft show very different than a traditional one.

"Handmade Detroit exists to celebrate the art of making things by hand as well as the



process and artist behind the work. Our mission is to form a community around DIY artists in Detroit and, ultimately, in Michigan."

The 2007 Detroit Urban Craft Fair is set for Aug. 4 at the Majestic Theatre. This year's fair is expected to feature more than 50 vendors from all over Michigan and the United States. It will also feature a benefit raffle so that Handmade Detroit can set up a local DIY grant.

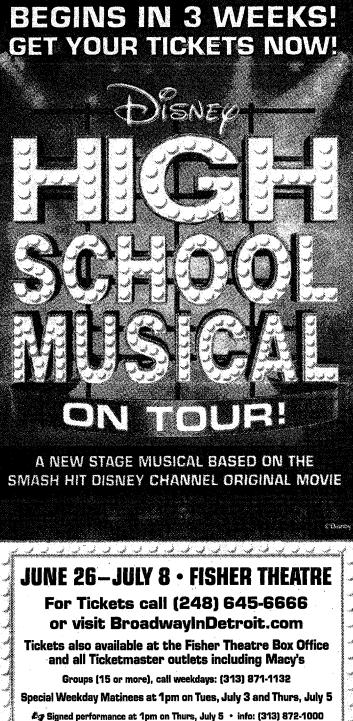
For more information on Handmade Detroit, check out www.handmadedetroit.com. The Detroit Urban Craft Fair is online at www.detroiturbancraftfair.com

- By Greg Mullin



DAVID DOMINIC JR. Stephanie Tardy has been honored by Crain's Detroit Business as one of its 20 in their 20s for 2007, honoring young innovators.







In February of 2007, the group started hosting Sunday Crafternoon, a mini fair on the first Sunday of every month at the Woodward Avenue Brewers in Ferndale. These events feature five to seven

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### **OUR VIEWS Plymouth shows** off small-town feel

It doesn't say June 21 on the calendar yet, but you know summer has officially kicked off when hundreds of people fill Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth for the first Music in the Air concert.

Hosted annually by the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority, the concert series regularly draws huge crowds into downtown Plymouth every Friday night to hear a variety of music.

Title-sponsored by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network and sponsored locally by Solid Rock Bible Church, Jimmy Johns, Dairy King, Hug Center for Hearing, The Caviston Agency, Heartland Plymouth Court, Compari's on the Park, Fiamma, Dearborn Jewelers of Plymouth and Signature Audio Services, this concert series is one of a variety of summer events that give Plymouth its hometown feel.

This series will be followed shortly by the Music in the Park series hosted by the Plymouth Community Arts Council and sponsored by New Liberty Bank, Huron Valley Ambulance and McCully's Educational Resource Center. These Wednesday afternoon concerts are specifically designed for children but, if you look closely, you'll see parents having just as much fun.

If music doesn't grab you, there will be plenty of other things going on. Art in the Park, the annual Fourth of July parade and the Good Ol' Fashioned Picnic at Plymouth Township Park and even Plymouth Fall Festival - all provide opportunities to see Plymouth at its small-town best.

These events bring visitors to town by the thousands, and provide a unique opportunity for business owners smart enough to take advantage. Expanded hours, or a shift in hours, could provide retailers an opportunity to draw on a clientele that might not otherwise be in town.

The DDA under its new leadership has done an excellent job promoting the community's strengths. The city, which used to suffer from a reputation of not being youth-friendly, now embraces children of all ages with its eclectic mix of businesses and its sense of community.

Plymouth has long prided itself on its homey, smalltown atmosphere. Anyone who doubts the atmosphere exists need only hang around for the next few months to - see how wrong they are.

### Governor, Legislature fail to address problem

After months of negotiations, arguments, grandstanding and threats, Gov. Jennifer Granholm and Michigan legislative leaders agreed to do the same old thing to clean up the state's 2007 budget.

Instead of finally grappling with Michigan's structural



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#### **Corriveau kudos**

All I can say is kudos, kudos, kudos to our state representative, Marc Corriveau, for fighting against those who want to keep trashing Michigan.

I can't believe those local special interest groups that are attacking his plan to stop the flood of trash from Canada and other states! It is obvious that they care only about the money they are making.

Corriveau doesn't care about special interest groups. (Check out his campaign finance reports. They did not donate money to have him elected.) He wants to do what's right for Michigan.

The truth of the matter is that the majority of the "tipping fees" collected by the state will actually be returned to our local communities. Let Canada and other states keep their trash! We don't need nor want it in our beautiful state and if we can discourage them from dumping it here, then I say "You go, Marc!"

#### Sally Fedus **Plymouth Township**

#### LETTERS

government, low taxes, rights of individuals and the Constitution of the United States

I tend to get a little passionate about some of the things I get involved in, which at times can be misunderstood. I am not the smartest person, but I will talk to many others who are a lot smarter than me about many issues to base my opinions on. Community involvement and difference of opinion are very important in making a strong and diverse community.

The one thing I will not tolerate is physical and other types of threats against my family or me. That didn't come from the person writing the letter to the editor. but it has come from others. I will continue to be involved in and giving back to the community when I have the opportunity.

> Carl F. Berry Plymouth

#### Changing times

The current controversy concerning illegal immigration reminds me of the challenges overcome during World War II by my Croatian relative Angelo. When the war started, he was working on a merchant ship sailing the Atlantic Ocean. He could not return home because his country and village were occupied by Nazi troops. So he kept working at sea. When his ship was torpedoed for a second time by a German submarine, he decided to jump ship the next time he sailed into an American port and that turned out to be New Orleans. He purchased a train ticket to Los Angeles, where Angelo was met by my grandfather, who brought him into his home in neighboring San Pedro. My grandfather arranged for Angelo to work on a local fishing boat. As soon as he was hired, Angelo was arrested and jailed for being an illegal immigrant. My grandparents arranged for an attorney to rescue him. The attorney picked Angelo up at the jail and drove him to Mexico. There, he turned the car around, showed official documentation to the U.S. border guards and legally brought Angelo back into the United States. Angelo worked hard as a commercial fisherman, saved money and brought his family to San Pedro after the war. All became English-speaking, taxpaying American citizens. Oh, how times have changed. **Tracy Freeman** Farmington American ideal of equality and justice. He had used the tired statement, "I served in the military" and "my brothers were in the service" and expected this accomplishment entitles him to be a patriotic American. Immediately the thought came to mind that of Popeye cartoons. Popeye, sticks his thumb in his mouth and blows as his chest inflates and then socks it to Bluto or Brutus.

The thought of the current commanderin-chief and how he has embarrassed the military, the uniform, also came to mind. Too afraid for real service, he gets "placed to a prize position," of which there were many candidates more qualified, but it removed him from seeing combat. He has proven himself to be an embarrassment to the military and this country.

I remember the times in my life when reciting the Pledge of Allegiance daily and the particular phrase "with liberty and justice for all." This phrase has stuck with me forever and it couldn't be more appropriate for the current times. We have recently experienced a change in government, where some participants not responsible to the people of the U.S. can undertake illegal actions and not answer for it. Most Republicans struggle with the English language, so let me refer to Merriam Webster, justice is "the quality of being just, impartial, or fair." Affirmative action and the programs it instilled help correct some, not all, of the unfairness this country still harbors. It comes as no surprise that Republicans are opposed to affirmative action. Here in Detroit, perhaps one of the most racist cities in the country, this is important. It doesn't correct all the problems, but it does correct some. I said in my opinion letter, not supporting affirmative action and the justice and fairness it tried to create within an imperfect country was un-American. And I say it again: If you voted against affirmative action, you are un-American. though Republicans and Bush supporters can be excused. They have been fed so much propaganda that the truth is not within their grasp. Maybe the author of the reply to my letter did serve honorably and contributed to an honest war. I will be the first to thank him for his service. But it is not a free pass for life to support un-American ideals.

imbalance, they've made some reductions in government service combined with the usual budget balancing gimmicks of past years - shifting costs, delaying payments, raiding funds, borrowing.

Neither side seems willing to address the central question: What kind of state government do we want and need and how much are we willing to pay for it?

One of the major factors in our current budget situation is a series of ill-considered tax cuts in the 1990s, when Michigan's economy was sailing along with the rest of the country. A shift in school funding from property tax to a sales tax, rising health costs and pension programs for school and state employees have all increased the burden.

🕻 The decline in Michigan's one-industry economy sapped revenues while the state's obligations continued to rise. Many of those obligations do not specifically pay for state government.

According to the Citizens Research Council, which analyzes state tax and funding issues, less than 20 per-Scent of the total budget is retained within state govern-Sment for state operated programs. The rest goes to K-12 schools, the universities, local governments and the orgainizations providing services for Medicaid and community mental health.

Steep cuts have been made in state spending, particularly in community grants which have drawn complaints from local governments about maintaining fire and police services.

At a time when both sides are arguing that the state needs to act to stimulate our moribund economy, the deal includes some cuts that seem to undercut that commitment including millions of dollars in cuts or delayed payments to the state's universities and community colleges and \$30 million from the bipartisan 21st Century Jobs Fund.

There is waste and inefficiency in state government. There are programs that are luxuries in a time of economic stress. But there are key government programs that need to be protected if this state is ever to move forward.

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#### Giving back to community

It seems like I am becoming a permanent fixture in your paper each week. Now I read in the letters to the editor that I am an ultra right-wing conservative and I anointed Kurt Heise (how do you do that?).

If the gentleman who wrote the letter had bothered to talk with me to find out why I was there, he might have a different view of things. A person's right to vote has great value and people need to know their vote does count.

Too many times in Plymouth's recent history we have individuals behind the scenes manipulating the vote to get who they want into an elected office. This is wrong, but not illegal, and it needs to stop.

The school board made an excellent decision this last meeting, but will it follow through and make voters feel their votes count? I will also be attending the next school board meeting when members are questioning candidates to fill a seat.

I don't always agree with those running for or currently in office, but I will respect them for giving back to the community, with one exception. Yes, I will support candidates I believe in and I will also work for them on their campaigns (do you?).

I believe that is the American way and everyone's right in this country. Too many candidates forget, once elected, they now represent all of the people in their areas. I will also try to give back to a community that I am very proud of, which has done much for my family and me.

My wife and I put three kids through this school system, soon will have five grandkids in this system and I graduated from Plymouth High School (the original one). I have served on the school board, served on a charter school board, attend school meetings in Oakland County and other Wayne County locations. Education is a top priority of mine and if that makes me an ultra right-wing conservative, then so be it.

I have supported and continue to support many Democrats as well as Republicans and even some independents. I support the environment, education, mass transit and other issues which could be considered liberal. I also support less

#### It's still un-American

I listened to the recent Republican presidential candidate debates. The "debate" was run by the Republican propaganda media organization, Fox, hence no substantial questions arose, but it gave all the candidates equal opportunity for sound bites, short catchy few-word phrases that form the basis of Republican campaigns. They were quite interesting and amusing at the same time. Many of the candidates' sound bites, meaningless statements, reminded me of a reply to an editorial opinion I submitted regarding the repeal of affirmative action.

The author replying to my letter wrote that he was offended by being called un-American for not supporting the

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**Frances Meese** Westland

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"We'll try to make it as seamless as possible, but folks, we're going to have some challenges. I have a lot of confidence in (Ostoin). People are jealous sometimes, I can't stop that. But I'm confident (Ostoin) will not be biased, and he'll do what's best for the Educational Park."

- Dr. Jim Ryan, Plymouth-Canton Schools superintendent, on the potential for bias against Plymouth High School when the Salem and Canton athletic directors handle all sports

# State's business leaders not impressed with budget fix

ACKINAC ISLAND - This year, the atmosphere was a little different. The Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce's annual policy conference featured some interesting themes, to put it mildly.

Bottom line from those in the know: Business and labor haven't exactly distinguished themselves. But our elected leaders have really led the league in failing to get the job done.

That's a rough consensus based on conversations with dozens of the 1,500 or so real and self-proclaimed movers and shakers who crowded onto the island last week.

If there was anything that especially roused their ire, it was the state Legislature's last-minute "balanced budget."

The kindest reaction to it might be characterized as mere disdain. Others openly held it in outright



**Phil Power** 

contempt. One retired chief financial officer of a major Michigan corporation had one word to describe what lawmakers said they had achieved: "fraud."

The man added heatedly that if his company had resorted to the kind of accounting hocus-pocus practiced by those running our government in Lansing, the company would be in deep legal doo-doo with the federal Securities and

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Exchange Commission. Others, reflecting on efforts by former state Rep. Leon Drolet, R-Clinton Township, to recall any legislator who votes for a tax increase, also recom-

mended recall – of the entire Legislature! Nor are the folks at Mackinac alone. A survey by Brogan & Partners, a Birmingham-

based marketing firm, found responders gave business and union leaders a 'C.' while elected leaders got a 'D+.'

When asked which "one group has been the biggest obstacle in helping turn Michigan's economy around?" a solid 56-percent majority gave our elected leaders the lion's share of the blame.

One thing is beyond argument: The big losers in the budget were our seedbeds of the future, Michigan's community colleges and universities. They saw not only state support cut, but cash payments they expected this summer deferred until at least October.

The college presidents I talked with could only shake their heads as they contemplated Lansing's preferences in spending priorities for the very short run as opposed to the long term.

When they considered how our lawmakers have behaved thus far, many on the Grand Hotel's big porch openly questioned whether the Legislature will have the stomach to make the tough decisions needed when it comes to tackling the nearly \$2 billion deficit looming ahead for the fiscal year that starts this Oct. 1.

Many suggested that a crisis of confidence was brewing throughout the state's entire political culture. Some argued that the time has come to fix the legislative tilt toward inexperience by linking an end to term limits to making the Legislature part time.

No agreement on that seemed in sight. But there were two bright spots at the conference:

■ For the first time in memory, big labor was invited to this particular table. Teamsters President James Hoffa and United Auto Workers chief Ron Gettelfinger both received polite responses to their calls for business and labor to cooperate to help Michigan through its time of crisis.

Arguing that "you don't have to be anti-employer to be pro-union," Gettelfinger stressed how important it is for management and labor to collaborate to achieve a "high-performance workplace."

And support seemed to be solidifying for the "aerotropolis," the proposal for a massive development zone framed between Detroit Metropolitan Airport on the east and Willow Run on the west.

Detroit Renaissance head Doug Rothwell called the project "possibly the single most important economic development project in Michigan." Business heavyweight and Walbridge Aldinger CEO John Rakolta is heading a high-profile, private/public support panel charged with making it happen. Experts praised the combination of air, road, rail and water logistical resources the development could command as among the world's best.

"The aerotropolis will form," said Prof. John Casarda, an expert in airport-driven economic development. "The only question is whether it will happen haphazardly or in a coordinated, planned way."

As for Michigan's elected leaders, the top brass - from Gov. Jennifer Granholm to Senate Majority Leader Mike Bishop, R-Rochester, and House Speaker Andy Dillon, D-Redford Township argued (somewhat defensively) that the 2007 budget deal is only the first step in getting Michigan's financial house in order.

The governor pointed out that "a crisis is a terrible thing to waste" in urging all sides to come together to move Michigan forward.

Well, she's right about that. And maybe our top leaders will find ways to focus on our long-term economic health by putting together three main initiatives: spending cuts, structural reforms in the organization and cost of government at all levels and a tax increase.

Virtually everybody I talked with on Mackinac Island agreed some combination of those factors is the obvious policy solution to the state's ills. But virtually nobody was optimistic that would really happen. And that huge disconnect is, in a nutshell, what's wrong with politics and government in Michigan today.

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# 'Mighty Mac' turns 50, as symbol of great dream

B uilt with 71 tons of structural steel, 41,000 miles of cable wire, more than four million steel rivets, one million bolts, 350 engineers and a record construction cost of \$70.3 million, the Mackinac Bridge turns 50 this year. Described as an engineering marvel when it opened Nov. 1, 1957, the Mighty Mac still inspires today.

More than 3,500 workers were employed at the bridge site, working to forge two peninsulas and connect a state. These fearless men worked tirelessly, without safety nets or harnesses, to turn a vision into a reality.

Gov. G. Mennen "Soapy" Williams was a moving force in seeing the dream of connecting the two Michigan peninsulas become a reality. Williams once



the pyramids, the great hydroelectric dams, the skyscrapers in Manhattan and the Panama and Suez canals as one of the wondrous works of the hands and brain of man."

proclaimed, "The bridge

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The Mighty Mac's literal connection of the two Michigans stands as one of Williams' notable accomplishments. The engineering edifice rises as a testament to not only brawn, brains and bravery, but also to imagination, vision, tenacity and perseverance.

As you gaze at its grandeur, imagine the literal blood (five men died during the construction), sweat and tears that are soaked into something so incredibly beautiful. Yet the concept, imagination and vision of the bridge is as much of its majesty as the magnificent structure itself.

Connecting the two peninsulas that comprise Michigan was envisioned as early as the 1880s. The opening of the Brooklyn Bridge in New York in 1883 gave local St. Ignace bridge dreamers the impetus to imagine such a bridge at the straits. Like today's problems, cost, financing and a war delayed the building of the bridge for nearly 75 years.

The Mackinac Bridge is more than the sum of its parts. It is a symbol of the determination of Michigan's leaders and workers to dream the big dream and have the imagination, spirit, enthusiasm, ability and perseverance to turn big ideas into reality. Vision, dreams, persistence and hard work have been a staple in Michigan for generations. It should remind us all that by wrapping our hands and our minds around problems, coming together around a shared vision and common agenda, we are able to create a grand and beautiful future for all Michiganians.

Certainly, the building of the bridge did not come easy and there have been many detours along the way.

Yet as you approach the Mighty Mac from St. Ignace or Mackinaw City, its expanse beckons and inspires. It juts into the sky like the spirals of a cathedral calling out for a moment of silence as its majestic vistas capture your mind and soul.

This year's annual Labor Day bridge walk, led by Gov. Jennifer Granholm, will be held Sept. 3. This tradition began because of the enthusiastic response to the first walk, in June 1958, at the bridge's dedication ceremony. Each year. Michigan's governors have led this symbolic walk with people who believe in the spirit of our great state. They walk the bridge's expanse of 26,372 feet, or five miles, on a roadway approximately 200 feet above the water at mid-span. It is fitting that this walk takes place on Labor Day, a day to celebrate the "workingmen/women" who have taken us to such heights.

#### **REALITY BEGINS WITH A DREAM**

Today we need visionaries that can 'walk the talk" and inspire our state to build a new bridge to the 21st century knowledge economy. The 21st century will depend less on concrete, steel and strong backs; it will be built with knowledge, innovation, creativity, talent, entrepreneurship and the ability to compete in a transformational, disruptive, technologically-driven global economy. We need to recreate the persistence, hard work and the ability to look fear unflinchingly in its face just as the visionaries, engineers, politicians and ironworkers displayed in completing the Mighty Mac 50 years ago.

These are tough times we are living through today in Michigan. As we celebrate the 50th anniversary of the building of the grand expanse connecting Michigan, all of us should use it as an inspiration to think big, dream the impossible and begin the hard work necessary to make a new dream a reality.

We need to give thanks to Michigan's leaders in the early 1950s who dreamed big and believed the impossible was possible.

Happy birthday, Mighty Mac!

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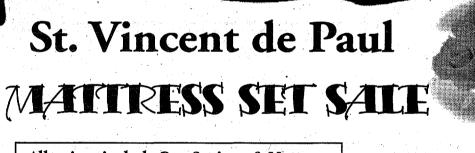
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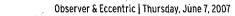


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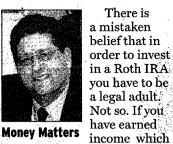


## Saving: How to establish a Roth IRA for your child

have written many times about the importance of investing in a Roth IRA.

Roth IRA's allow money to grow tax-free, not tax-deferred as in a traditional IRA and it is not subject to required minimum distributions. In addition, like all IRAs, the general rule is you cannot touch the money prior to age 59½ without certain consequences (there are exceptions to the rule).

Many people make the assumption that the time to start investing in a Roth IRA is when you begin a career. That is not the case. Even before you start your full-time career it makes sense to begin investing in a Roth IRA and that is why I encourage parents of students who are working this summer to help them establish an account.



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Roth IRA.

Obviously, students who are working in the summer do not have to worry about the earning limitations. The only issue is do they have earned income.

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Earned income is income from wages. If your child is working and he or she receives a W-2, they have earned income.

On the other hand, if they

are doing odd jobs around the neighborhood and receiving cash payments that are not being reported on a tax return, then they do not have earned income. Even if the student is not paying any taxes, because earnings don't meet the minimum to be taxed, he or she is eligible for a Roth IRA.

If you are establishing a Roth IRA for your child under the age of 18, it must be established as a custodial account.

The obvious benefit of starting a Roth IRA for a child is money will grow tax-free for many years. When you factor in the years of compounding it can grow into a substantial amount. However, there is another benefit. Your student can learn a little about the stock market, how it works, and the importance of investing. If you can get your child involved in selecting the investment for their Roth IRA they will take a greater interest in following that money.

If you are establishing a Roth IRA for your child, I recommend investing in a longterm growth mode. After all, this money will not be touched for many years down the road and therefore an equity investment makes sense.

Some funds to consider include Selected American Shares Fund (www.selectedfund.com or 1-800-243 1575), the T. Rowe Price Spectrum Growth Fund (www.troweprice.com or 1-800-422-2577), or the Vanguard Index 500 (www.vanguard.com, or 1-877-662-7447).

My advice is get your child involved in the process of selecting the fund and completing the application. I recognize that for parents this could be a very hard sell to convince their child he/she should put money away for their retirement. However, to encourage your child consider a matching program. For every dollar that your child contributes you match it.

For parents of means, they may even want to contribute to the child's Roth IRA themselves. The benefit of establishing a Roth IRA is huge and it's an opportunity that parents do not want to miss.

Although, Roth IRA contributions for 2007 do not have to be made until April 2008, my recommendation is do it now. The sooner you contribute, the longer period the money grows tax-free.

For parents with children too young to work, I recommend teaching them to

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building," said Law.

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available through Mutts &

Mutts, visit www.muttsand-

mutts.petfinder.org. Checks

have an appreciation and an understanding of money. The internet has lots of resources. One excellent site is by Charles Schwab & Company, www. schwabmoneywise.com.

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After all, the days of working for only one company for your entire career and having a pension when you retire went out with eight-track tapes. Kids today are going to have to be independent when it comes to their money and the sooner they learn to have good money skills, the better it will be for them.

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should be made out to Mutts & Mutts Rescue and mailed to P.O. Box 40386, Redford, MI 48240. For directions to Pet Supplies "Plus," call (734) 981-9191. Ichomin@oe.homecomm.net

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## Adopt a pet at rally for displaced animals

#### BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

"Our new motto is Detroit rocks, we care," said Donna Law as she spoke about the adoption day and Rally for Displaced Animals 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 9, at Pet Supplies "Plus", 43665 Ford Road, east of Sheldon, Canton. The rally is to collect items for the animals displaced by the tornado that devastated the town of Greensburg, Kan., on Friday, May 4, killing 12 people. The donations will be given to the Pratt Humane Society, a no-kill shelter 30 miles outside of Greensburg. Brent Catlett of Wolverton Inc. in Canton is donating

his services to transport the items to Evansville, Ind. where Ryan Boyle of The Hunte Corporation will be waiting to take the donations to Kansas.

For more information, call (313) 778-2262.

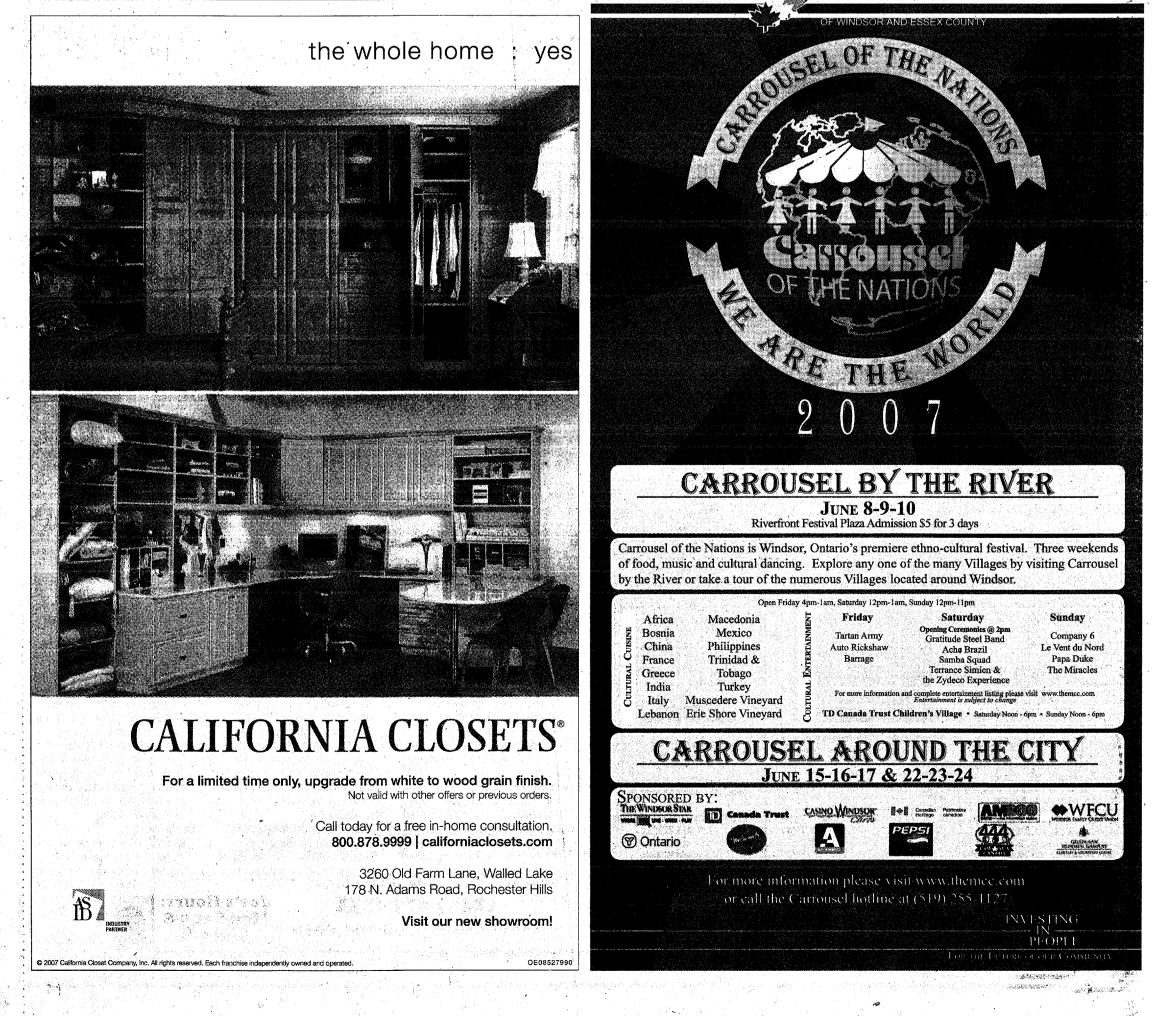
In addition to the rally, the event features dogs and cats available for adoption from Law's Mutts & Mutts Rescue, Homeward Bound, Heaven Can Wait, Pat's Cats, Charmed, and the Coonhound Rescue League. There will also be balloons, face painting, and a visit from a dog trainer.

Law believes no animal should be forgotten no matter what the crisis so began collecting supplies for the animals displaced in Greensburg.



Law's Mutts & Mutts Rescue League is working with Pet Supplies "Plus" in Canton to gather donations of dog/cat food and supplies. Homeward Bound, a rescue group run by Carrie Marsh of Canton and Kathy Brown of Farmington Hills, is assisting in the effort. "We want people to know





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10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday-Friday, June 7-8, and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 9, in St. Joseph Church parish hall, 16101 Rotunda Dr., Dearborn. For details, call (313) 593-4510 or (313) 336-3227.

#### Italian night & auction

**Cherry Hill United Methodist Church** presents the first Italian Night & Auction Friday, June 8, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Dinner and Craft Show, 7:30 p.m. Auction, in the social hall at 321 S. Ridge Road, one block west of Cherry Hill Road, Canton. Come one, come all. Free dinner, fun and a chance to support the church and its Habitat for Humanity Project. Call and reserve your spot at (734) 495-0035 Crosstalk

7 p.m. Friday, June 8, in Knox Hall at Ward Presbyterian Church, Northville. Longtime Christian commentator and radio personality Duane Cuthbertson speaks on Healing Life's Hurts. No

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cost or registration, free childcare provided. For details, call Single Point Ministries office at Ward Church at (248) 374-5920.

#### **Single Point biking**

10 a.m. Saturday, June 9, meet at Kensington Metro Park, exit 153 off I-96, north 3 1/2 miles to farm center, ride to Island Lake, Geared toward tourist-level rider but all ability levels welcome. For details call Single Point Ministries office at Ward Church at (248) 374-5920. Note: helmets must be worn.

#### **Baccalaureate Mass**

And reception for Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Plymouth 4 p.m. Saturday, June 9, at 47650 North Territorial at Beck. All area high school and college graduates are invited to attend. Graduates are to arrive in cap and gown and meet in the social hall on the lower level of the church at 3:30 p.m. To register, call (734) 453-0326, Ext. 243, or visit www.olgcparish.net and click on Life Teen to download response form. **Building Bridges** 

Farmington Hills Church of God presents a series to learn from each other, not just about each other. In understanding the similarities of our faiths, we can articulate the uniqueness of our faith as well. The Sunday

sermons take place 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. June 10, Jesus was Jewish; 9:30 a.m. June 17, There is Only One God, and 9:30 a.m. June 24, God is Everywhere. Guest speakers include Rabbi Nevins, Jewish guest, at 7 p.m. Thursday, June 7; Madan Kaura, Hindu guest, 6 p.m. Sunday, June 10, and Asim Khan, Moslem guest, 7 p.m. Thursday, June 21. The church is at 25717 Power Road, Farmington Hills. Call (248) 477-9144 or visit www. fhchurchofgod.org for details. Special speaker

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#### Concert

Faith Community Presbyterian Church welcomes the band The Hymns of Dixieland to lead their worship services 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday, June 10, at 44400 W Ten Mile. Following the worship services the Dixieland band will play for the the church picnic which follows immediately. They only play hymns and they have played for churches and groups throughout northern





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**CAROLINE T. CLINE** 

ge 97, passed away in Rochester Hills, Michigan, on June 4, 2007. Beloved wife of Samuel A. Cline, who preceded her in death in 1950, and cherished mother of children acqueline A. Reynolds of North Platte, Nebraska, and Samuel A. Cline of Macomb, Michigan. Caroline was born on September 26, 1909, in Evart, Michigan to Thomas N. and Myra Loring) Ballantyne. She married Samuel on October 3, 1935. Caroline's her Bachelor's Degree from Central Michigan University in 1934 and her Master's from the University of Michigan in 1954. She loved education and educating, and taught at all levels, from a one room school house hrough college. After retiring from the Michigan Public School System in 1972, she continued to teach individual classes at Ferris State College. Caroline was preceded in death by her husband, brother Carlos Ballantyne and son-in-law Richard Revnolds. She is survived by her children Jackie and Sam, and a granddaughter, JulieLynn Reynolds of Los Angeles, California. At her request, there will be no viewing or memorial. She will be laid to rest next to her husband in Forest Hill Cemetery in Evart, Michigan, on Wednesday, June 6th, In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to First Congregational Church of Rochester, Michigan, of which Caroline was a long-time, devoted member. Arrangements by Pixley Funeral Home of Rochester, 248-651-9641

**GEORGE MARTIN ADAMS** Age 59, of Farmington, MI, passed away January 28, 2007. George earned a Bachelor of Science degree at General Motors Institute and a Masters degree from Central Michigan University. He was a ventilation engineer and a recognized expert in Sound and Industrial Ventilation. He enjoyed his work, participating in professional organizations, rewriting standards and teaching seminars. After 41 years at GM, he retired in January 2007 to start his own consulting firm. He volunteered with Habitat for Humanity, Boy Scouts of America and was an interiewer for the US Naval Academy. He was a voracious reader, (especially enjoying science fiction), a UM fan, and an Original Six hockey fan. He also recently discovered the sport of golf. George is survived by his wife of 34 years, Mary Ellen, son Tripp (Becky), daughters Kate (Rod), and Ellen (Scott), his mother Edith, one sister Nancy (Russ) and one niece and nephew. He was very proud of his children and considered them his lega-

#### NORMA PHILLIPS

Age 78, passed away peacefully June 2007. Beloved wife of the late Charles. Dear mother of Ronald (Barbara), Janis (Tony) Mitchell and Lori (Steven) McGuire. Loving Grandmother of Steven (Leslie) Katie (William), Michael, Molli Daniel, Jennifer (David) (Greg), Megan, Stanley, Shane and Anna Great-grandmother of Katie, Jenna Virginia Claire, Kara. Sister of Lamoureux and the late Dolore Thomas. Garden City Hospital Guild vears. Funera Member for 20 Services were held. Arrangements by Santeiu & Son. Memorials suggested to American Cancer Society or Make a Wish Foundation.



#### **RELIGION CALENDAR**

Ohio and Southern Michigan. The service include old favorites like What a Wonderful World, Down by 💷 the Riverside, The Old Rugged Cross, and "When the Saints Go Marchin' In. Everyone welcome. **Strawberry festival** 

5-9 p.m. Friday, June 15, at Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt. Cost \$4, includes strawberries, choice of cake, ice cream and beverage. Items can be purchased separately. Square dancing called by Randy Dietrich 6-8 p.m. Bake sale, boutique, homemade jellies, games for children and more.

For details, call (734) 421-7620. **Outdoor fun** Meet at 6:45 p.m. Friday, June 15, at Sportsway of Westland, 38520 Ford road. Fun-filled evening of outdoor putting, batting cages and go-kart racing. Ticket price yet to be determined. For details, call Single Point Ministries office at Ward Church at (248) 374-5920,

#### Single Point biking

10 a.m. Saturday, June 16, meet at Willow Metro Park 1-275 south to ext 11A (South Huron Road), east on Huron to the park entrance, south to Washago Pond. Geared toward tourist-level rider but all ability levels welcome. For details call Single Point Ministries office at Ward Church at (248) 374-5920. Note: helmets must be worn.

Monthly breakfast meeting For Bethany Suburban West, a Catholic organization providing peer support for the divorced and separated of all Christian faiths, Saturday, June 16, at Leon's Family Dining, 30149 Ford road, next to Tim Horton's, Garden City. All separated, divorced and singles welcome. For

details, call (734) 513-9479. **Community garage sale** 

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 16, rent parking spaces for \$20 each (money raised from your spot is yours to keep), a limited amount of tables will be available for an additional \$10 charge, no weapon sales, at The Salvation Army, 2300 Venoy, between Michigan Ave. and Palmer. For details, call (734) 722-3660.

Summer safety event 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 16, at The Lutheran Church of Our Saviour, 29425 Annapolis, Westland. Westland Fire and Police department staffs talk about safety to kids. No charge. All invited. For information, call (734) 728-3440.

#### Father and Son dinner

4-6 p.m. June 16, Riverside Park Church of God sponsors a banquet for dads and their son. Cost is \$10 per adult; \$5 per child ages 5-12; age 4 and under free. Cost includes a full dinner, dessert and a free gift. Please register by June 13 at (734) 464-0990. The church is

and Sutton roads. Cost \$125 (due June 1), includes 18 holes of golf with cart, lunch catered by Thomas's of Livonia. Hot dog, chips and water given at turn. For information, call (248) 719-2535, (734) 748-1819, or (989) 400-7114.

#### Tribute to the stars

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**Capuchin Souper Summer** Celebration 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 23, at Comerica Park, Detroit. For more information, call (313) 886-4600 or visit www.cskdetroit. org or www.ahee.com. Sponsored by Edmund T. Ahee Jewelers. No admission, but you must be 21 and older. Dressy summertime attire required. Raffle tickets can be purchased prior to event at Ahee Jewelers, the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, or at Comerica Park during event. **Vacation Bible School** 

9:30 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, June 25-29, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), 30650 Six Mile, Livonia, Call (734) 427-1414. Theme is SONFORCE Kids: Courageous Kids on a Mission for God! (for all children ages 3-12. Parents may register children ahead of time by filling out the online form at www.holycrosslivonia.org. Children could also register Monday, June 25. Visitors Welcome.

#### UPCOMING

Avalanche ranch Vacation Bible School 9 a.m. to noon July 23-27, at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia. \$25 for first child (includes music CD, \$20 each additional child (no CD). If you have western theme items we can borrow or for more information, contact Laura Kloiber at (248) 348-9675 or send e-mail to lfkloiber@ ameritech.net.

#### **Vacation Bible school**

July 28 to Aug. 1, at Bethel Baptist. 29475 Six Mile, Livonia. For more information, call (734) 525-3664 or visit www.BethelOfLivonia.com.

#### **Anniversary Mass**

50th anniversary of Fr. Solanus Casey's death 5 p.m. Saturday, July 28, and 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Sunday, July 29, at St. Bonaventure/ Solanus Casey Center, 1780 Mt. Elliott, Detroit. For information, call (313) 579-2100, ext. 140 or ext. 169. Cruise

St. Aidan Travelers embark on an 11-day cruise of the Mediterranean on Nov. 3. Cruise departs Rome for Genoa, Monte Carlo, Valencia, Spain, LaValletta, Malta, Tunis, Tunisia, returns to Rome for two additional days. Cost is reasonable and includes airfare, many meals and all accommodations. For brochure and details, call (734) 425-5950 or stop at church office, 17500 Farmington, Livonia.

Plymouth), Livonia. Come to one of our regular classes on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. or Wednesdays at 7 p.m. For details, call (734) 464-0990.

#### A healthy you

Join with others as we discover ways to keep our minds and bodies healthy through a four-week class that is open to the public and free of charge at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh Road (corner of Plymouth), Livonia. Day and night classes available. To register, call (734) 464-0990.

#### Summer worship

Summer schedule for worship to Sept. 2, is 10 a.m. Sunday services (with nursery), and 7 p.m. Wednesday **Contemporary Service, at Holy Cross** Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA) 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 427-1414 or visit www.holycrosslivonia.org. Visitors welcome.

#### Sunday worship

10 a.m. at Lutheran Church of Our Saviour, 29425 Annapolis, Westland. For information, call (734) 728-3440. **Preschool registration** 

Ward Preschool now enrolling children for the 2007-2008 school year. Morning and afternoon sessions available for ages 3, 4 and 5 by Dec. 1. Preschool is at 40000 Six Mile, west of Haggerty, Northville. Schedule and tuition information can be viewed at www.wardchurch.org. For information, call (248) 374-5911 or send e-mail to carol.nowacki@wardchurch.

#### Sunday services

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Pastor Dan Strength leads services at Living Water Church (Pentecostal Church of God), 11663 Arcola, one block west of Inkster road on Plymouth road. Sunday School is 10 a.m. followed by worship at 11 a.m. Bible study 7 p.m. Wednesdays. Call (734) 425-6360.

#### Worship services

Regular church services 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sundays with Nursery, Sunday School during 9:30 a.m. service, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 427-1414. Adult Bible Study weekly on Tuesday and Sunday at 11 a.m. Visitors welcome. Visit www.holycrosslivonia. ora

#### **Bible study**

7 p.m. on the first and third Thursday of each month in the rectory at St. Michael the Archangel Parish, 11441 Hubbard, south of Plymouth Road, Livonia. The current study is the Gospel of St. John. For more information, call (734) 261-1455.

#### **Farmington Women Aglow**

Meets from 7-9:30 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 p.m.) on the second Monday of the month in the Visitors Center (old Spicer House) at Heritage Park on Farmington Road, between 10 Mile and 11 Mile roads. For more inforcall Linda Boone at (248) nation. 476-1053. Worship services Praise and worship 10 a.m. Sunday, at Westwood Community Church, 6500 Wayne Road and Hunter, Westland. Contemporary music and casual dress. Children church and nursery. Call (734) 254-0093. Doughnuts and coffee served.

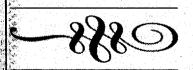


#### DONALD KRAFT CURRIE

May 30, 1931 - June 7, 2004

-Weep not for the memories-

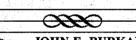
With Love Always, Your wife, Leni, your sons Jim, Matt (Leslie), Dan and our first grandchild, **Owen Kraft Currie** Best Friends - Duane and Betty



#### JUNE ROSE ROBERTS

Age 83 of Canton, May 16, 2007. Beloved wife of the late Neil. Dear mother of Sherry (Howard) Shunk, Clifford (Peggy) Roberts and Neil (Ann) Roberts. Grandmother of Kimberly Chambers, Kristen (Steve) LaPlante, Ray Whyde, Teresa (Tim) Messina, William Shunk, Kate Roberts and Anna Roberts. Greatgrandmother of Kyle, Kelsy, Jordan, Iulien, Anastasia and Emilia. sister of Dorothy (Walter) Pitrowski and ferome (Joanie) Nichols. Sister-inaw of Wesley Roberts and Shirley Barnes. Visitation Saturday 2 p.m. at Uht Funeral Home, 35400 Glenwood, Westland, until 4pm memorial service. Please visit and post a tribute at www.uhtfh.com

He will be dearly remembered. His funeral mass was February 3, 2007, at St. Gerald's Catholic Church in Farmington, MI, with internment at Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia, MI.



**JOHN E. BURKART** Age 74, June 4th, 2007. Member of Iron Workers Local #25 and Army Veteran of the Korean Conflict. Dear father of Dierdre Dancey, Deana Shaffer, John Jr. and Randy Burkart and Floyd McIntyre. Also leaves thirteen grandchildren and three great grandchil-dren. Brother of Bell Bolda, Loren and Donald Burkart. Donations to Angela Hospice, share memories at schrader-howell.com

#### MARJENE FIELDEN

Age 85, June 5, 2007. Longtime resident of Plymouth. A member of The First Baptist Church of Plymouth and a retired cashier from Kroger's. Beloved wife of the late Paul. Dear mother of Sandra (Dale) Cunningham and Susan (Michael) Prew. Grandmother of Kenyon (Tina) and Jason (Christy) Cunningham, Julie (Brian) Blackwell, Jenny, Katy, Michael and Paul Prew. She also leaves eight great-grandchildren. Visitation Friday, 4-9 p.m. at Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 South Main Street, Plymouth with funeral services following at 10 a.m. Saturday. Contributions to the Susan G. Koman Breast Cancer Foundation. Share memories at:

schrader-howell.com



#### MARY PERSINGER

of Troy, died June 4, 2007, at age 77 She was the beloved wife of Neil, dearest mother of John Patrick "Jay' (Lola) and Rob (Kristie), and loving grandmother of Anthony, Nicholas and Benjamin. Family will receive friends at A. J. Desmond & Sons Funeral Home, 2600 Crooks Road (between Maple and Big Beaver) Thursday 3-8 PM, and Friday 1-8 PM, with Rosary Friday 7 PM. Funeral Mass Saturday 10 AM at St. Mary Church, 730 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak. Visitation at church begins Saturday at 9:30 AM. Memorial Tributes may be made to American Diabetes Association. View obituary and share memories at www.DesmondFuneralHome.com



#### **ROSE L. ROSA**

formerly of Garden City Age 9 May 21, 2007. Beloved wife of the late Victor. Loving mother of Aller (Linda), Edwin (Sandra), and Dennis Barbara). Proud grandmother o Douglas (Heather), Brian (Dianne) Susan (Bill) Garlick, Melanie Nicholas and Michelle. Great-grand mother of Vincent. Dear sister of Marcella Marta, Mark Decaire, Jear Symons and the late Margaret, Leo Pauline and Clifford. Memorial Mass at St. Raphael Catholic Church 31530 Beechwood, Garden City on June 8th at 10am. Memorial Mass for Victor and Rose Rosa at St. Paul Catholic Church, Negaunee, MI on June 16th at 11am. Memorial contributions American Cancer Society. Arrangements by Querfeld Funeral Home 313-561-0002.

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Newburgh Road (corner of Plymouth Road), Livonia. Summer camp

The camps run 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday-Thursday, June 18 to Aug. 24, for students in grades K-8, at The Lutheran Church of Our Saviour, 29425 Annapolis, Westland, Camps include Bible study, literacy lessons, field trips, games, activities. No charge. All invited. To register, call (734) 728-3440.

#### **Vacation Bible School**

A Wild Ride Through God's Word 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 18-22, at Memorial Church of Christ, 35475 Five Mile, Livonia. The backyard of the church is being transformed into a Western town. There will be some new aspects of the VBS this year including a live band and dinner beforehand. Volunteers still needed before June 18 for painting and to get things ready. For more information, call (734) 464-6722. Women's retreat

St. Michael Catholic Church of Livonia invites all area Catholic moms to a Mom's Summer Retreat on Wednesday mornings this summer to enjoy prayer and adult discussion of topics relevant to their daily life. A Children's Ministry will be offered while moms enjoy Mass, a continental breakfast and conversation with other moms 8:30-11 a.m. June 20, July 11, July 18, Aug. 1, and Aug. 8, at the church located on the southwest corner of Hubbard and Plymouth roads. Discussion topics are Everyday Prayer on June 20th; Marriage, July 11th; Motherhood and Mary, July 18; Teaching Your Children the Virtues, Aug. 1, and Living your Faith Every Day, Aug. 8. Moms may register for as few or as many sessions as schedules permit, each at \$5 per meeting. Children's Ministry activities are \$2 per child per session. Contact (734) 261-1455, ext. 207 or e-mail swilliams@livonistmichael. org for information and registration details.

#### Summer music ministry

Brass Quintet, June 21, and Cabaret, July 19, dinner at 6 p.m. (\$5), concert at 7 p.m. Thursdays, at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. A love offering will be received for the Music Ministry at St. James. Call (313) 534-7730. Golf outing

St. Aidan's Catholic Church Golf Outing Saturday, June 23 (tee times begin at 9:40 a.m.), at Rolling Meadows Golf Club at N. Territorial

#### **Crafters** wanted

St. Aidan Catholic Parish in Livonia is hosting a craft show to raise funds for their youth for their pilgrimage to Sidney, Australia for World Youth Day in 2008. Crafters are needed for a show 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10, at Monsignor Brunett Activity Center, 17500 Farmington Road, north of Six Mile, Livonia. Save your table today. Call Ruth McCarthy for an application (734) 464-5973. **Uplifting church services** 

Want a unique church experience? Join us Sunday mornings at 10:45 a.m. for a service that will lift your entire family, but be prepared for what will happen after just one service. Can't wait for Sunday? Come to our open discussion 7 p.m. Wednesdays as we examine the Word of God. Classes available for all ages, child to adult. Riverside Park Church of God is at 11771 Newburgh Road (corner of Plymouth Road), Livonia,. Call (734) 464-0990.

#### ONGOING

#### **Divorce recovery**

Continue to 7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, June 14, at First Presbyterian Church Emeritus Room (upper level), 200 E. Main, Northville. The cost of the workshop is \$45 (scholarships available). To register, call (248) 349-0911.

#### J.O.Y. meeting

The J.O.Y. Builders (Just Older Youth, ages 50 plus) meet 11:30 a.m. the third Thursday of the month for lunch, fellowship and fun, at **Riverside Park Church of God, 11771** Newburgh at Plymouth roads, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990. All are welcome to join us. There is no charge, although we ask that you bring a luncheon dish to share. **Higher Rock Cafe** 

Second and fourth Friday of the month, doors open at 7:30 p.m., live bands begin at 8 p.m. presented by Salvation Army of Wayne/Westland, 2300 S. Venoy, between Michigan Ave. and Palmer. For information, call (734) 722-3660 or visit www.tsa. higherrockcafe.4t.com. **Worship service** 

10 a.m. Sundays, at The Lutheran Church of Our Saviour, 29425 Annapolis, Westland. Sunday School for children. For information, call (734) 728-3440.

#### Youth wanted

Tweens and teens age 12 and up are invited to join in various youth activities held at Riverside Park Church of God. 11771 Newburgh Road (corner of

#### Classes

NorthRidge Church Women's Ministry invites you to participate in a variety of exciting groups and classes that began Thursday, March 8, at the church, 49555 North Territorial, Plymouth, Choose from a self defense class, Scrap-booking, Mops, Bible studies, cooking and nutrition, quilting, book club, and much more. Register on line at http://www.northridgechurch.com/Women/.

#### **Tiny Tots Preschool**

Open registration at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0211.

#### Recovery program

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Northville launches Celebrate

Recovery, a Christ-centered recovery program helping men and women find freedom from their hurts, habits and hang-ups (addictive and compulsive behaviors), meets every Friday evening for 6 p.m. dinner (optional), 7 p.m. praise and worship, 8 p.m. small group discussion, 9 p.m. Solid Rock Cafe (optional coffee and desserts). Childcare during Celebrate Recovery is free and available by calling (248) 374-7400. For information, visit www. celebratcrecovery.com and www. wardchurch.org/celebrate.

#### **Bible study**

The Gospels and You Bible Study began 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 5, at The Basilica of St. Mary Orthodox Church activity center on the lower level, 18100 Merriman, Livonia. No charge. The study focuses on applying the Gospel of St. Luke to daily life. Sessions will be led by Rev. George Shalhoub and Jim King, the church's director of youth and outreach ministry. For information and to register, call (734) 422-0010.

#### Sunday service

All are welcome to attend worship service at 10 a.m. Sunday in the sanctuary at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile , one block west of Inkster, Livonia. For more information, call (734) 422-1470. Worship service

All are welcome to attend 11 a.m.

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worship service Sundays, at Good · Shepherd Reformed Church, 6500 N. Wayne at Hunter, Westland. Join us at 7 p.m. Tuesdays in November and December as Pastor Louise Monacelli introduces The Jesus Experience, a series of videos offering insight into the people and situations God used to expand the church around the world. For more information, call (734) 721-0800

#### Worship services

Explore your destiny God's wonderful plan for your life. Sunday Worship services are at 8 a.m. (traditional) and 10:30 a.m. (contemporary), at Grace Lutheran Church, 46001 Warren, between Canton Center and Beck), Canton. For more information, call (734) 637-8160. Sunday School and Adult Bible Study at 9:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study series: Heaven Can't Wait. Worship service

#### At 10:30 a.m. Sundays at New Beginnings United Methodist Church, 16175 Delaware at Puritan, Redford. Congregation is hearing lessons from I Peter. For more information, call (313) 255-6330.

#### Adult literacy classes

Available for those wishing to improve their reading and writing skills. Open to adults age 18 and over. Trained tutors available for day and evening hours. Call (734) 421-0472. Leave your name and phone number and someone will be in contact with vou.

#### Personal ministry

Due Season Christian Church is a nondenominational, multicultural, full gospel church that offers Sunday worship services at 10 a.m. and Tuesday night Bible study at 7:15 p.m. Services are currently held at Stevenson High School on Six Mile, west of Farmington Road, Livonia. All are welcome. For information, call (248) 960-8063 or visit www. DueSeason.org.

#### Scripture studies

From 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. TOPS

Stands for Take Off Pounds Sensibly, the group meets at 7 p.m. every Thursday evening at St. Thomas a' Becket Church, 555 S. Lilley, Canton. Weigh-in is from 6:15-6:55 p.m. It is a weight support group that encourages members to lose weight sensibly and keep it off. For more information, call Margaret at (734) 838-0322.

#### Learner's Bible study

At 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 at 10 a.m. Sunday at Westwood Community Church, 6500 N. Wayne Road at Hunter, Westland. Doughnuts and coffee served. Call (734) 254-0093.

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#### Senior activities

Gathering for seniors 50 years and older at 11:30 a.m. on the third Friday of every month at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh at Plymouth, Livonia. For more information, call (734) 464-0990. Put together a salad dish and come out and meet other seniors. Lunch is served followed by fellowship with some games and stories. **Church activities** 

St. James Presbyterian Church offers a Thursday dinner at 6 p.m. for \$5 prepared by Susan Navarro, The Cookié Lady, followed by Bible studý at 7 p.m. and Chancel Choir rehearsal at 8 p.m.; Thrift store is open from 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: **Eucharistic adoration** 

The monthly program of Parish

#### Prayer and Eucharistic Adoration continues the third Wednesday of each month at St. Michael's Church of Livonia, corner of Plymouth and Hubbard roads. The church will be open for worship from 10 a.m. until the 7 p.m. Benediction service. For information, call (734) 261-5331.

Unity of Livonia

Services at 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sundays at 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster roads. Call (734) 421-1760.

#### **Shabbat services**

The doors of Congregation Beit Kodesh, a Conservative synagogue at 31840 W. Seven Mile, between Farmington and Merriman, Livonia, are open to the Jewish community. of southeastern Michigan. Call (248) 477-8974. **Bet Chaverim** 

Services are open to all living in the western counties including Canton, Plymouth, Livonia, and Northville. The congregation follows traditions of Reform Judaism. Interfaith

families welcome to attend services at 321 S. Ridge, south of Cherry Hill, Canton. Call (734) 646-3864 for information or visit www.betchaverim. com

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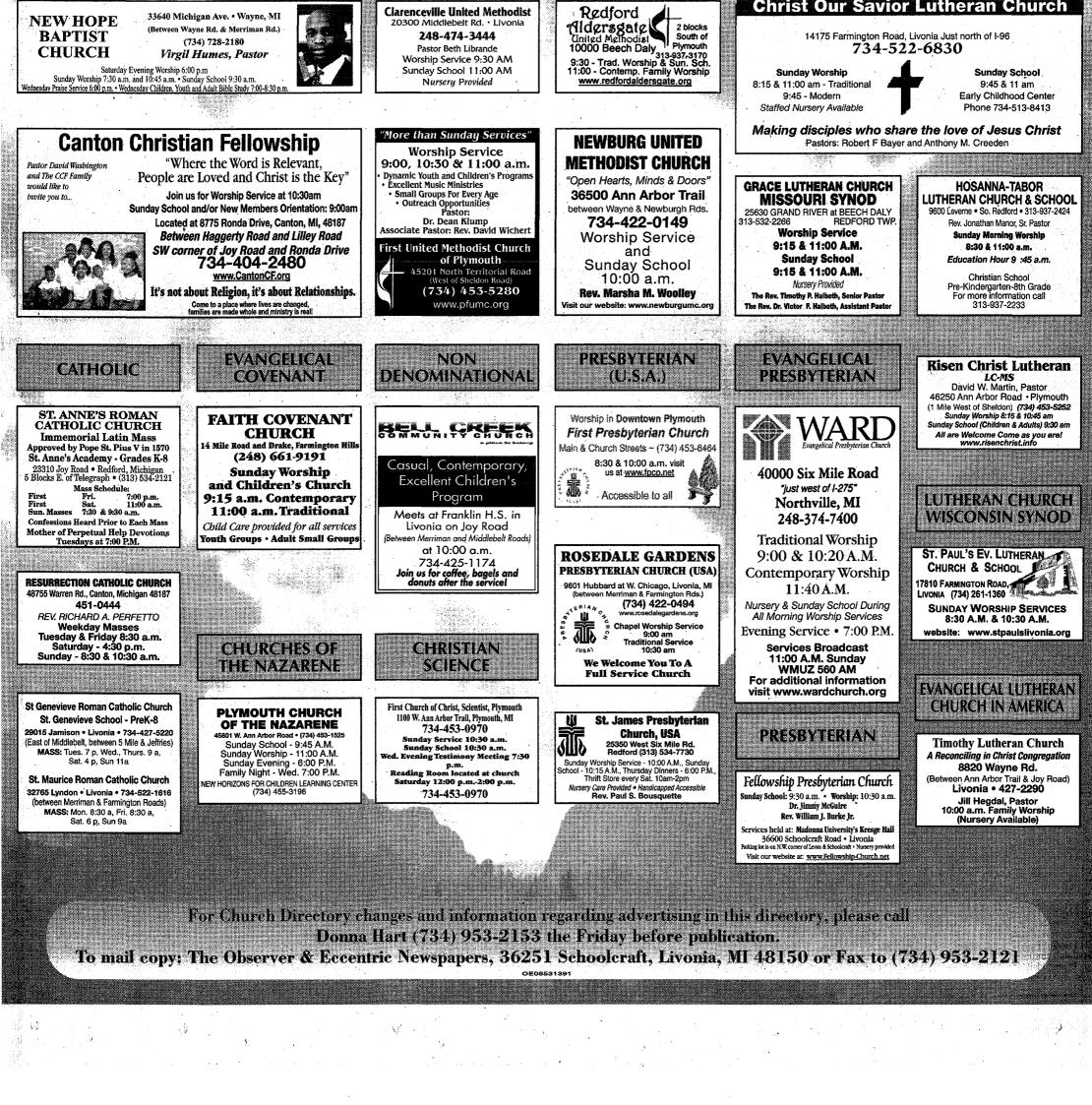
A nondenominational church with cutting edge drama productions, energized contemporary music, hightech video and lighting, programs for kids and teens, for college students? singles, married adults and seniors. Services are at 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday (6:30 p.m. the first Sunday 🗟 of the month), Sunday school for all ages at 10 a.m. and Wednesdays at 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. Call (313) 255-2222. **Trinity Episcopal Church** 

Sunday Services at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m., Wednesday service at 6:15 p.m., Bible Studies and Worship Center for all ages, at 11575 Belleville Road, (four miles south of Michigan Avenue), Belleville. Parents with Young Children Bible Study at 6 p.m. Sundays, includes dinner and child <sup>3</sup> care. Call (734) 699-3361.





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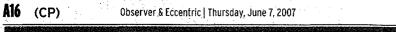


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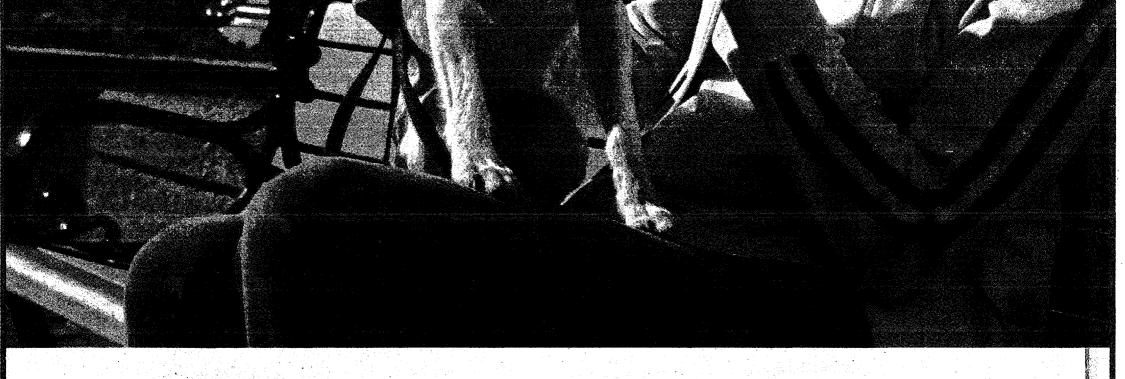
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## Making a 'state'ment Thornton leaps into Canton record books

magine getting your driver's permit one year, then winning the Daytona 500 the next

Imagine picking up a baseball for the first time in April, then throwing

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a perfect game in August. learning how to Fosbury Flop in 2006. then winning the Division

1 state highjumping title in 2007.

Imagine the emotions that must have been flowing through Canton senior Eric Thornton when he pulled off the third of the above-listed feats at Saturday's D1 state track-and-field meet at East Kentwood High School. Thornton sent a charge through the gathering of Chief fans when he hoisted his slender 6-foot-6 frame over a highjump bar set 6 feet, 7 inches off the ground.

The effort earned him a state title in an event so complicated it takes even the most-accomplished athletes several years to master.

The first time Thornton, a long-time basketball player, came within a long jump shot of a high-jump bar was last April.

"It took a while to set in that I had won after the secondplace guy missed his last try at 6-7," Thornton recalled. "All the Canton guys that were in the infield were jumping up and down and congratulating me. Then I went over to the gate and hugged my parents (Barb and Jim).

Thornton's path to the winner's circle was as inspirational as it was improbable. It started in the winter of 2006

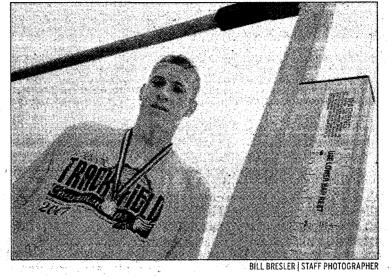
when Canton track coach Bob Richardson encouraged the lanky leaper to try out for the track team that spring.

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"Eric had the perfect physique for high jumping, plus he could dunk, so I knew he had good ups," said Richardson. "He worked hard and ended up tying for fourth at last year's state meet. He went out this year wanting to prove he was the best in the state and that's what he did. He's a tremendous person."

Thornton's high-jumping career was nearly derailed before it began when the Chiefs' basketball team advanced all the way to the Class A Regional final last spring.

"By the time basketball was over, the track team had already been practicing for two weeks, so I thought about not even doing it," Thornton said. "But then I decided to give it a



Canton senior Eric Thornton became the school's first boys state champ in track and field when he won the high jump at Saturday's Division 1 state meet with a leap of 6 feet, 7 inches. Thornton has been high jumping for just over a year.

try, and now I'm glad I did." Even though he had all the physical tools to excel in the sport, the big numbers didn't come overnight.

"It was frustrating at first because I cleared 5-10 my first couple of meets, but I couldn't get past that," he said. "Then toward the end of last year, I cleared six feet and by the end of the year I was up to 6-3."

Canton High School trackand-field athlete to win a state championship since the school opened in 1972, Richardson said.

Thornton became the first

And he did it just 13 months after trying it for the first time. Imagine that.

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BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

Plymouth student-athlete Brittany Petty approaches the high-jump bar much like she approaches her life away from track and field --with an incredible drive and unwavering focus that has led to high-rising success.

On Saturday, Petty put the cap on an honors-filled high school athletic career

itself, but even more so when you consider Petty rollie juggles

her train ing time with two jobs and an academic schedule That stuffed with advanced-placement courses.

On top of that, she only has one completely healthy ankle. "Brittany is just an amazThe 29-year-old goaler was awar

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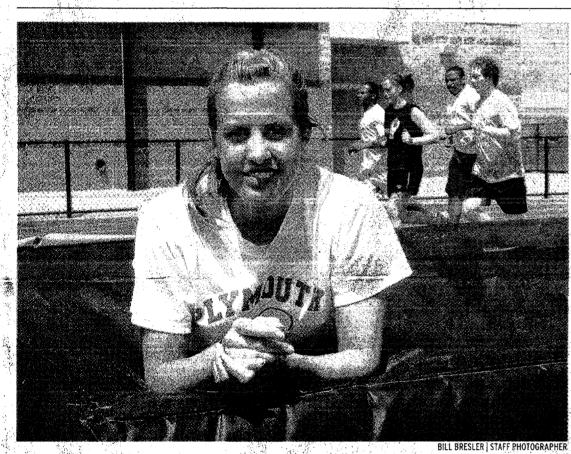
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Plymouth senior high-jumper Brittany Petty capped a brilliant high school career with a fourth-place finish at Saturday's Division 1 track-and-field meet at East Kentwood High School.

when she placed fourth at the ing student-athlete," said **Division 1 Track and Field** meet at East Kentwood High School. Her jump of 5 feet, 5 inches earned the personable University of Michiganbound Petty All-State status for the second time in four years.

The feat was impressive in

Plymouth girls track-andfield coach Kurt Britnell. "She finished either first or second in every dual meet this year and she has a great attitude. She's been awesome to work with.

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## **Canton's Payne puts** hurt on District foes

BY BRAD EMONS STAFF WRITER

Canton didn't win the Western Division or the Western Lakes Activities Association softball title this spring, but the Chiefs are alive and well in the Division 1 state tournament.

Junior left-hander Hilary Payne struck out 29 batters on the day and tossed a pair of shutouts as the Chiefs improved to 26-9 overall by defeating Salem (5-0) and Livonia Churchill (1-0, in 10 innings) to capture Saturday's district title at Livonia Stevenson.

Canton moves on Saturday to the Novi regional to take on Farmington Hills Mercy (25-11) in one semifinal with the winner taking on either Redford Union or Allen Park.

'We've got the talent, we just have to stay together," Canton coach Jim Arnold said. "We've been hot and cold, but once we get hot, there's not a lot of teams out there that can beat us. We hope this (district title) breaks them loose and gives them confidence. It was a great effort by everybody."

In the championship final, Salem (18-16) couldn't get the bats going against Payne, who fanned 12 after striking out 17 against Churchill.

The Rocks, who had beaten Canton 1-0 in a previous meeting, managed to keep it close for three innings before the Chiefs got a pair of runs in the fourth on an RBI double by Alyssa Johnson and an RBI single by Nicole Rago.

Canton added two more in the fifth as Eastern Michigan University recruit Lauren Delapaz led off with a triple and later scored on Payne's fielder's choice groundout. Kim Keppen added an RBI single after Johnson reached base on an infield error.

Rocks coach Bonnie Southerland then made a pitching change going with sophomore Kelly MacDonald, who replaced senior starter Melissa Leach.

Delapaz then tripled in the seventh and came all the way around after the throw from the out-



Canton junior pitcher Hilary Payne led the Chiefs to a District title Saturday at Livonia Stevenson. The lefty struck out 29 batters and did not allow a run to cross the plate in Canton's two victories.

field to the plate got away.

Canton out-hit the Rocks, 11-4. Amanda Emmons had two of Salem's four hits.

"They (Canton) beat us the first time (3-0) and we beat them the second time (1-0), so we came in thinking it was anybody's ballgame," Southerland said. "Their pitcher (Payne) pitched well, but we would not have gotten here without our pitcher (Leach). I'm proud of the way we fought this year. We started out 0-4 and beat every team that beat us this year.'

The Rocks pulled an upset in the first semifinal, beating Plymouth, 3-0, to end the Wildcats' season at 24-6.

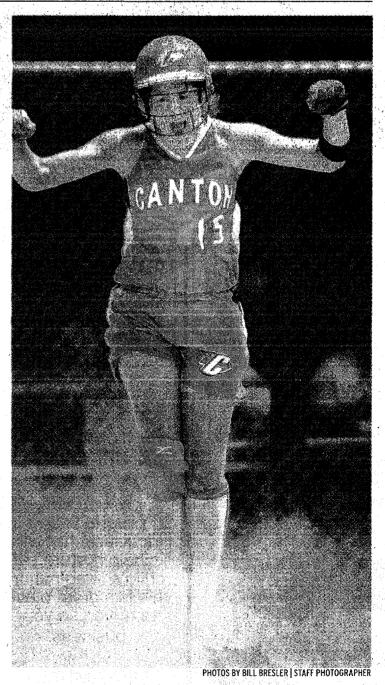
Leach held Plymouth to four hits. She walked two and struck out three as the Rocks avenged a 9-2 setback to the Wildcats on April 19.

Liz Thomas went 2-for-2 with a walk and scored a run in the first on a Plymouth infield error. Mary Cox also scored another first-inning run in the first on a Wildcat error to make it 2-0. Emily Pitcole went 2-for-3 with an RBI single in the fifth.

"Beating Plymouth was a big hurrah for us," Southerland said. "We hadn't beaten them in several years and 2004 was the last time versus

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Lauren Delepaz's reaction said it all after she scored the only run in the Canton's 1-0 victory over Livonia Churchill in Saturday's Division 1 District semifinal game. The Chiefs went on to claim the title with a 5-0 victory over Salem.

the 2006-07 campaign. The Brazil native made his MISL debut in the 2003-04 season and was chosen as an All-Rookie Team selection.

#### Demolition falls

Running back Kiana Dennis scored two touchdowns and Misty Findlay kicked three field goals, but it wasn't enough as the Detroit Demolition lost its first regular season game in five years Saturday to the host DC Divas, 24-22, in a Independent Women's Football League clash.

The Demolition is now 4-1 in the IWFL, while the Divas improve to 4-0.

Detroit returns to action at 7 p.m. Saturday at Livonia Stevenson High School to face the Iowa Crush (1-4), who lost Saturday 33-0 to the Chicago Force.

Tickets for home games are available by calling (248) 474-9176; or visit www.detdemolition.com.

#### Bucks beat Lynx.

The Michigan **Bucks of Premier Development League** survived a tough weekend with a 2-1 men's soccer victory Sunday over the host Toronto Lynx after battling Friday to a scoreless draw with the West Michigan Edge at Bloomfield Hills Andover High School.

Kenny Uzoigwe scored the game-winning goal in the 89th minute from Alex Morisette to beat Toronto. Nate Jafta also scored from Ty Shipalane in the 51st minute before Toronto's Tristan Murray answered in the 69th minute.

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## Eagles edge Agape in 8 to earn D4 District title

#### BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

Plymouth Christian Academy baseball player Josh Johnston gave his dad, Kurt, an early Father's Day present Tuesday afternoon at Stafford Field on the PCA campus.

And he didn't even have to wrap it. Following his dad's signals from the third-base coaching box, Josh Johnston laid down a perfect suicide-squeeze bunt that proved to be the difference in the Eagles' dramatic 5-4 victory over Canton Agape Christian in a weather-delayed Division 4 District final that started on Saturday afternoon.

The extra-inning triumph evened the Eagles' record at 10-10 and advanced them into Saturday's 10 a.m. Regional semifinal contest against Taylor Baptist Park at Allen Park Cabrini High School. Allen Park Inter-City Baptist and Southfield Christian will meet in the second semifinal at 12:30 p.m. The championship game is set for 3 p.m.

"We were all on pins and needles in the bottom of the eighth," said PCA head coach Kurt Johnston, who has led his team to three District titles in the past four years. "I had a feeling that if we didn't get it done in the eighth, the momentum would go back to Agape because they were really coming on. "I gave Josh one pitch to swing away, and he fouled it off. He's a pretty good bunter, so I put the squeeze on the next pitch and he laid down a perfect one on a high pitch on the first-base side of the mound."

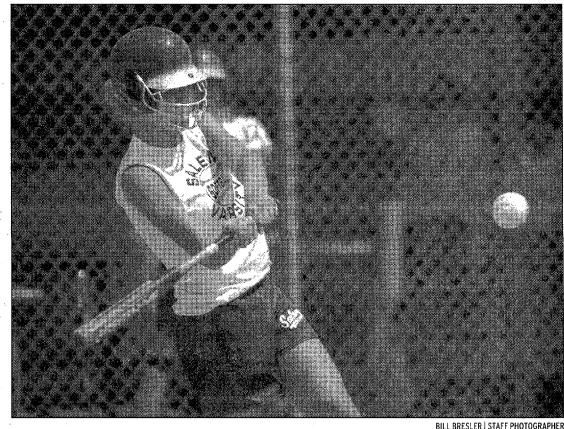
Johnston's bunt scored Charles Cane, who was hit by a pitch leading off the bottom of the eighth. Justin Govan followed with a single and Mitch Geracz walked to load the bases. Agape junior right-handed pitcher Jared Miller struck out the next batter, setting the stage for Johnston's heroics.

"We beat a very good Agape team today," said Kurt Johnston. "We led 4-1 coming into today, but they never gave up. I'm very proud of my team. We seem to be peaking at the right time."

The game's starting pitchers -- PCA's Trevor Zinn and Miller -- both tossed complete-game gems. Zinn yielded just four hits and two walks while striking out seven. Only one of the four runs he gave up was earned due to four Eagle errors. Miller struck out 13 PCA batters -- eight before

the rain delay and five on Tuesday. "Both pitchers threw extremely well," said Johnston. "Jared Miller really shut us down for three innings today. It took us a while to catch up to him."

Besides Josh Johnston, PCA's offensive stars were Justin Govan (2-for-3), Cane (2-for-3, two RBI) and Zinn (1-for-3, two runs, three steals).



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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Salem's Abby Pairitz takes a rip at a pitch during Saturday's District tournament at Livonia Stevenson. The Rocks upended Plymouth, but fell to Canton in the title contest.

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Canton. We were not the favorite in this district, but to knock Plymouth out was a good win for the girls."

Losing pitcher Meghan Patterson allowed six hits, walked three and struck out five. She also went 2-for-3 at the plate.

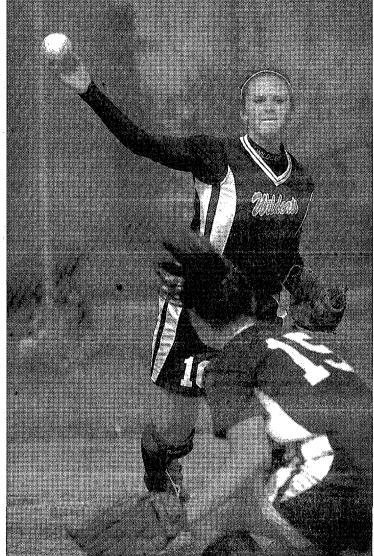
"Base running mistakes took us out of key situations and we left too many runners on base," Plymouth coach Val Canfield said. "Leach did a good job against us. They made key plays and it showed up at the end of the game."

Canton's 1-0 semifinal victory over Livonia Churchill was a nailbiter.

The Chiefs left 11 baserunners stranded through nine innings, including the bases loaded in the ninth as Churchill junior Jordan Kerr, who allowed just six hits and four walks, got out of the jam with a ground out back to the mound.

But Canton tallied the game-winning run in the 10th when Delapaz tripled and scored on a wild pitch.

"Delapaz was awesome, she





said.

Payne collected three hits in the win, while catcher Kim Beaudoin added two.

The Chargers' best opportunity came in the eight when Paula Guzik and Katie Stodulski had back-to-back bunt singles, but Payne got out of the jam on a fielder's choice followed by a double play.

"Churchill played extremely well, they played tough," Arnold said. "Their pitcher did an excellent job of working the inside of the plate and their catcher called an excellent

game." Churchill bowed out at 17-15 overall.

"One more bunt (in the ninth) and it would have worked out," Churchill coach Meghan Misiak-Hall said. "We needed the big hit with runners on.

"She (Kerr) pitched fantastic. I couldn't ask for more. She was able to mix it up. She moved the ball around and kept hitters off-balance. She's a tough player and she always gives it her all."

It was Canton's fifth district title in a row and the ninth for Arnold, who was coming off a week-long suspension after pulling his team off the field in an 8-1 forfeit loss May 20 to Plymouth.

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Plymouth freshman Stacey Klonowski, pictured above during a game earlier this season, and her teammates saw their season come to a disappointing close on Saturday when the Wildcats lost to Salem, 5-0.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Canton's Ali Taylor drops down a bunt during the Chiefs'; 5-0 victory over Salem in the Division 1 District title game played Saturday at Livonia Stevenson.

"I missed being off the week," Arnold said. "I know what not to do and it will not happen again. I'm back and everything will be alright."

The Chiefs have a good chance to win the regional if

"We've left more runners on

than anything," Arnold said. "We've worked on that all season long. And once the bats came alive, we made things happen."

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Late rally lifts Rams, 8-7

Two runs in the bottom of the sixth enabled the Michigan Rams to earn their first win of the Livonia Collegiate Baseball League season Monday over the 22-and-under Detroit Eagles, 8-7.

Max Kelmigian had the game-winning RBI sacrifice fly scoring Kyle Gendron, who reached base on a hit batsman. Ryan Shay tied the game with an RBI sacrifice fly as the Rams improved to 1-2 in the LCBL. Andrew Stafford went 2-for-3 with a double and RBI. Frank Persichino also knocked in two runs and scored twice.

Plymouth High grad Alex Harvey went 2-for-4 with two RBI for the Eagles, who fall to 0-2-1. Livonia Franklin High grad Otis Young also went 2for-4, while Dave Carrino went 2-for-3 with a double and two runs scored. Tim Cross and Aaron Wilson also knocked in two runs each.

Winning pitcher Justin Collop, a Wayne Memorial grad who played this season at the University of Toledo was the winning pitcher in relief of starter Ryan Gunderson. Collop went 2.2 innings, allowing two runs on two hits. He struck out four.

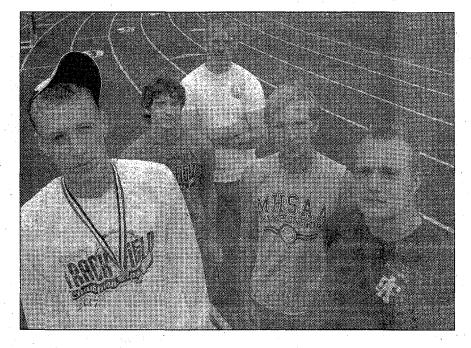
Losing pitcher John Ballarin was the losing pitcher in relief. Cubs edge Rams In eight innings, the Michigan Cubs edged the Rams, 8-7, as Brian Tellish got the game-winning RBI on a fielder's choice to score Rod Helson.

Helson and Jeff Digati each collected two hits for the Cubs, who improved to 2-0.

Kyle Hurtt (Michigan State) went 3-for-3 with a triple and two RBI. Ryan Shay added two hits and an RBI for the Rams, who overcame a 4-0 first-inning deficit.

Winning pitcher Chris Chanry went 2.1 innings, allowing no runs on four hits and a walk.

Losing pitcher Sam Yashinsky took the loss in relief. He allowed one run on one hit and three walks. He fanned three.



Canton's track-and-field team was represented at Saturday's Division 1 state meet by (from the left) Eric Thornton, Tim Belcher, Steve Paye, Jeffrey Ryan Langdon and Nick Moores.

## PCEP well-represented at D1 state track meet

#### BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth-Canton Educational Park was well-represented at the Division 1 state track-and-field meet at East Kentwood High School Saturday.

Canton's boys team placed 14th out of the 117 teams represented by racking up 15 points. Senior high-jumper Eric Thornton accounted for 10 of the points with a state-championship effort in his event (see related story on page B1). Thornton's gold-medal performance was the first state title for a Canton High School boys trackand-field athlete, according to coach Bob Richardson.

Senior shot-putter Nick Moores earned the Chiefs' other five points by placing fourth with a throw of 54.3.5, which is a personal record.

Senior pole vaulter Ryan Langdon didn't place for the Chiefs, but he did register a PR vault of 13 feet, 7 inches.

Canton hurdler Tim Belcher's day was ruined when a competitor tripped on a hurdle and landed in Belcher's lane. Belcher was unable to avoid the fallen runner and hit the track as well. Senior discus thrower Steve Paye competed, but did not place for the Chiefs.

Plymouth's girls team tied for 14th place when it accumulated 13, points thanks to strong showings from high-jumper Brittany Petty and long-jumper Stephanie Okolo. Petty placed fourth with an effort of 5-5 (see related story on page B1) while Okolo was fifth with a school-record effort of 17-7.75.

Plymouth long-distance runner Kelly Hahn did not place, but she held the distinction of being one of the few freshmen to qualify for the state meet.

Plymouth's boys team did not score, but the following Wildcats competed on Saturday: Nate Gholston, Jenarian Caldwell, Anthony Scaparo, Patrick Slavens, Kyle Wallath, Matt Lewandowski, Connor McKinney, Malik Rich and Justin Huey.

The Salem's boys team's lone state qualifier, Baze Efremov, did not place in the 110-meter high hurdles.

Canton resident Jake Maloney, a senior at Novi Catholic Central High School, placed sixth in the shot put with a heave of 52-11.

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The Plymouth boys and girls track teams were well-represented at Saturday's Division 1 state meet at East Kentwood High School. Among the Wildcats who competed were (standing from left) Kelly Hahn, Anthony Scaparo, Stephanie Okolo, Matt Lewandowski, Malik Rich, Patrick Slavens, Connor McKinney, (seated from left) Kyle Wallath, Brittany Petty and Justin Huey.

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"Brittany was an outstanding hurdler, too, but she hurt her ankle her freshman year and decided to concentrate on the high jump so there wouldn't be too much wear and tear on her ankle. She still holds the school record " (49.2 seconds) in the 300 hurdles."

If you stacked Petty's list of 2007 accomplishments on top of one another, the stack may come close to the height she cleared at the state meet. She placed first in both the Division 1 Regional meet (5-2) and the Western Lakes Activities Association meet, where she cleared 5-4.

Petty first sparkled in the event as an eighth-grader at Pioneer Middle School.

"I competed in a lot of different events in middle school, including the relays, the 200 and the high jump," she said. "At the middle school city meet in eighth grade, I jumped 4-11 and won the high jump, so that's when I thought I might make that my main event.

"Once I got to Plymouth, I received some great coaching from our assistant coaches (Paul Caroballa and Jeff Wood), who gave me some tips that really helped me improve."

Petty said her mental approach to jumping is as vital as her physical conditioning.

"There's a lot to think about when you're making your approach," she said. "The most important thing for me is keeping my speed up while I come around the curve on my approach," she said. "A lot of it is timing. If you jump too soon, you're going to come crashing down onto the bar.'

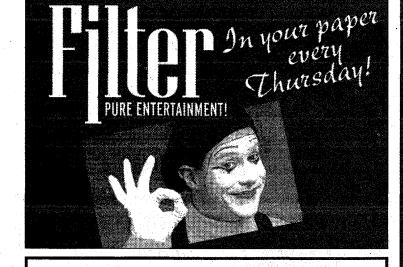
There is little downtime in Petty's hectic schedule. She possesses an Honor Society-caliber 3.6 grade-point average despite working two jobs (she sells concessions at the Emagine Theatre in Canton and at the cafe at Lifetime Fitness), competing in track and field in the spring and tennis in the fall.

Petty has been a mentor to several young Wildcat track-and-field athletes, including sophomore high-jumper Shaakira Haywood. "Brittany works well with the younger girls and she's really helped Shaakira this season," said Britnell.

She credits much of her success - both athletic and academic - to her parents, Edwin and Patricia.

"They've been extremely supportive of everything I've tried," she said. "My parents are at all my track meets no matter how far away they are."

Petty will pursue a degree in business at U-M beginning in the fall. She's also been invited to join the Wolverines' women's track squad.



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## PCA soccer team falls in District final

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

Ann Arbor Greenhills played the role of the annoying alarm clock in the Plymouth Christian Academy girls soccer team's "dream" season Friday afternoon.

The Gryphons shocked the previously unbeaten Eagles, 2-1, in a shootout to claim the Division 4 District title that was hosted by Greenhills.

PCA, which entered the contest ranked No. 3 in the state in D4, finished with a sterling 17-1 record. The Gryphons moved on to the Regional round of the tournament with a modest, but deceiving, 7-6-3 record.

"The girls were a little nervous before the game and I think that had something to do with (Greenhills') first goal," said PCA coach Bob Lorion. "We settled down late in the first half and played well the rest of the game.

"I don't think we were overconfident. It was just a hardfought game and unfortunately we lost in a shoot-out.

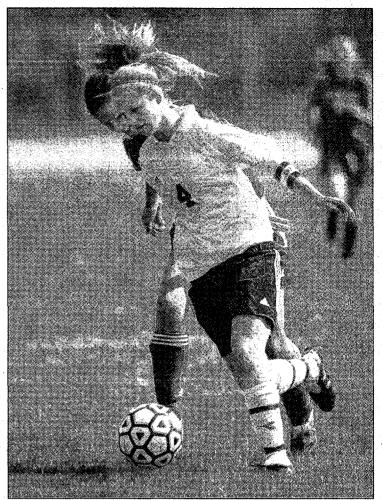
Carly Topper gave the hosts a 1-0 lead four minutes into the game. Topper's net-finder held up until the 17-minute mark of the second half when Sarah Roth scored off a pass from Jalese Debiasi to knot the game at 1-all.

"Jalese headed the ball to Sarah and Sarah headed it into the net," said Lorion. "It was a nice play by both girls."

Both goal-keepers -- PCA's Sara Ross and Greenhills' Maddie Hutchinson -- stopped everything that came their way over the final 17 minutes of regulation and the two 15minute overtimes.

However, the Gryphons advanced by outscoring the

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**BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER** 

Plymouth Christian Academy senior Abby Lorion's outstanding high school soccer career came to an end Friday when the Eagles lost to Ann Arbor Greenhills, 2-1, in a shootout in a Division 4 District final game played at Greenhills. The Eagles finished 17-1.

Eagles, 4-3, in the shootout. Debiasi, Abby Lorion and Brooke Williams scored shootout goals for PCA.

"Greenhills probably had a slight advantage by playing on their own field because it's a narrow field, so it neutralized our speed a little bit," said Lorion. "But give them credit -- they played a good game.

"Even though we lost, the girls had a great season. This was an outstanding team as far as goal-sharing and unselfish play. I've never coached a team that had more balanced scoring."

The Eagles outscored their foes 111-8.

Following the game, Lorion announced he is stepping down as coach.

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## Chargers' post-storm rally knocks out Wildcats, 6-5

#### BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

Vinny Carozza's pitches may not travel as fast as the posted speed limit on I-275, but they sure know how to change lanes.

As a result, Livonia Churchill players hoisted the school's first Division 1 District baseball trophy since 1999 Monday afternoon at Livonia Stevenson.

Carozza, a 5-foot-6 righthanded pitcher, tantalized Plymouth's imposing batting order with three innings of one-hit relief to give the Chargers a 6-5 victory in Monday's weather-delayed District title game. Two days earlier, he earned a five-hit, complete-game 3-2 triumph over Canton in a semifinal contest (see related story).

"I only throw in the lowto mid-60s," Carozza said, moments after the biggest performance in his youth baseball career, "so if my command isn't good, I'm in trouble.

"Luckily, I didn't have to throw a lot of pitches on Saturday, so my arm felt pretty good today."

"Vinny doesn't throw real hard, but his ball has a lot of movement," said Churchill coach Ron Targosz. "A perfect example was in the sixth inning today when Plymouth had three straight pop-ups all by right-handed hitters - to our second baseman. His ball moves toward the outside so it has a screwball action. They were over-swinging and popping it up.

"That's Vinny. He doesn't walk many guys. He walked one today, which was surprising, but that's coming back on one day's rest. We joke around with Vinny and tell him he doesn't throw hard enough for his arm to get sore."

Targosz will lead his 17-17 team into its first Regional semifinal game since Carozza was playing Little League on Saturday when the Chargers tangle with powerful Farmington (24-8), which knocked off No. 1-ranked Northville on Saturday.

"I'm so excited for these kids because they have worked so hard for this," Targosz beamed. "They put in a lot of hours over the winter, they've worked hard all season and it's starting to pay off.

"Our hitting was hot and

started to gel." The Wildcats led 5-3 through four innings or

through four innings on Saturday when the skies opened up and saturated the field with rain and hail, forcing the final three innings to be played on Monday.

"We had some momentum going on Saturday and we were looking pretty good before it started to rain," said Adams. "But, hey, that's baseball. You can't complain.

"I thought both teams came out on Monday and looked like they were ready to go. My hat is off to Churchill. They do a lot of things very well and they're well-coached."

The game was knotted at 2-all after one inning. Matt Priebe doubled in David Harvey then scored on a wild pitch to account for the Cats' runs. Churchill countered with RBI singles from Eric Mitchell and Kirk Ciarrocchi.

The Chargers grabbed a 3-2 lead in the second when Mike O'Keefe drew a lead-off walk and eventually scored on a Plymouth error.

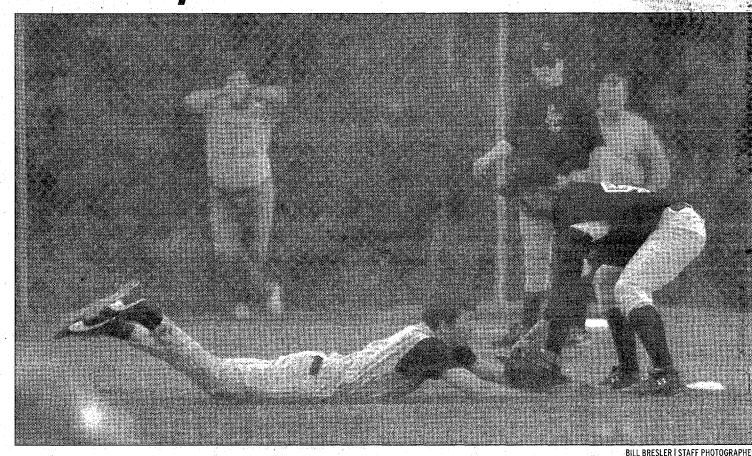
The Wildcats busted loose for three runs in the fourth. Tyler Locklear led off with a single and Ryan Valle reached on an error before Matt Barrera plated Locklear with a scorching double. Valle was thrown out at the plate on a perfect 7-6-2 relay.

Plymouth grabbed a 4=3lead when Barrera stole third and scored on the Chargers' second error of the inning. Harvey, who had reached on the error, stole second and scored via back-to-back wild pitches to make it 5-3.

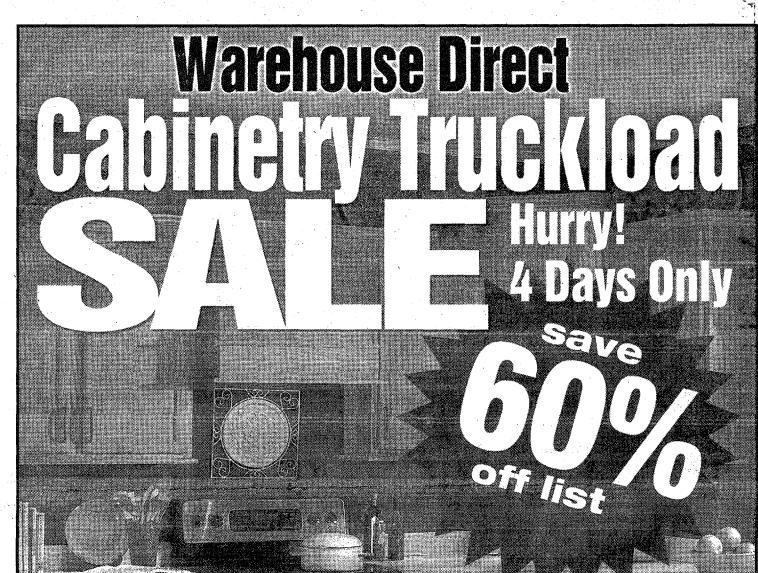
When play resumed on Monday, Plymouth appeared to double its lead to 6-3 in the fifth when Michael Rose, who was pinch-running for pitcher Garrett Rebain, stole second before scoring on a Churchill error. However, the Chargers argued that Rose missed the base while rounding third and the home-plate umpire agreed with the appeal.

Churchill scored the three game-winning runs in the fifth when Tyler Bledsoe reached on an error, Mitchell singled and Ciarrocchi hammered a double off the fence in left-center, scoring Bledsoe. Mitchell then scored on Steve Jones' ground out before Matt Luneack plated Ciarrocchi with a single.

Carozza retired six of the



Plymouth's Michael Rose steals second ahead of the tag applied by Churchill's Bryon Niemczak during Monday's District final. The Chargers won, 6-5.



cold for most of the season, but we've been swinging the bats well lately."

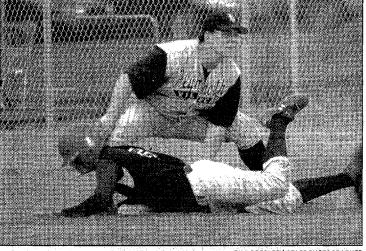
Plymouth closed the season strong, finishing 18-15-1 following a 2-8 start.

"Our returning players only had seven innings of varsity pitching experience coming into this season, so we knew we'd probably struggle a little bit early on," said Plymouth coach Chuck Adams. "But once we figured out who our pitchers were going to be, we started getting more quality outings and the whole team last seven batters he faced to clinch the championship.

"This is just a good group of kids that work hard," a pridefilled Targosz said. "If you look at us compared to some other teams, we're not overly talented, but we have kids who work hard and do what needs to be done to win.

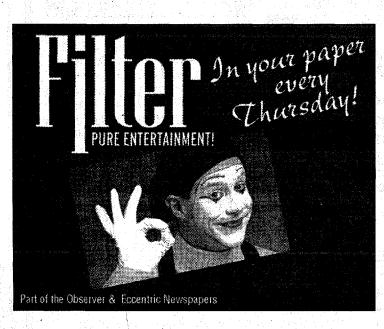
"It's fun coming to practice with this team because you know they're all going to give 100 percent effort because they want to get better."

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Plymouth third baseman Matt Priebe applies a tag to Churchill's Bryon Niemczak during Monday's Division 1 District title game at Livonia Stevenson. The Chargers won, 6-5.



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### **Churchill sidelines Chief** hitters in District semis

#### BY ED WRIGHT STAFE WRITER

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Livonia Churchill junior Vinny Carozza ended Canton's season with his arm and extended the Chargers' season with his bat Saturday morning at Livonia Stevenson.

After limiting the Chiefs' offense to just five hits from the mound. Carozza delivered a two-out, game-winning single at the plate in the bottom of the seventh to give the Chargers a dramatic 3-2 victory in a Division 1 District semifinal game played on the host Spartans' diamond. The setback ended Canton's season at 13-15-1.

Canton junior left-hander Erik Wright (6-3) suffered the loss after giving up five hits while striking out 10.

With the score deadlocked at 2-all, pinch-hitter Matt -Luneack led off the bottom of the seventh for Churchill with a ground-ball single up the middle. He was sacrificed to second by Brian Runge. Wright struck out the next batter, but Carozza knocked a rope to center field. Chief center fielder Dan Stoney made a strong throw to the plate, but it was a split-second too late to get Steve Jones, who was pinch-running for Luneack.

'We came out in the first couple of innings and hit four or five balls hard but right at people," said Canton coach Scott Dickey. "But that's baseball. It's a tough pill to swallow.

"I tip my cap to their pitcher. He threw a three-hitter against us the first time we faced him and he was tough again today. He gets ahead of the count and keeps the ball lown

"Erik threw great today,

Staff Present: Director Conklin

especially after the first couple of innings. He gave up a bleeder up the middle in the seventh then they scored on a two-out hit that barely got over our second baseman's glove. If the ball was hit a little harder, we would have had more of a chance to throw him out at the plate. I wish Churchill well. They made the plays today."

Canton seized a quick 1-0 lead in the top of the first when Kyle Gring led off with a single before Ryan Neu followed with a bunt hit. Dan Milus then moved both runners along with a bunt before Stoney scored Gring with a sacrifice fly.

Churchill drew even at 1-1 in the bottom of the second when Kirk Ciarrocchi drew a lead-off walk, advanced to third on a Runge single and scored on an error.

2-1 lead in the third when Carozza doubled and eventually scored on Bryon Niemczak's ground-out. Wright then found his groove and retired 10 of the next 12 batters he faced, eight via strikeouts. The Chiefs tied the game at 2-all in the top of the sixth when with one out Neu reached on an error. Following a groundout, Stoney launched a long triple to left-center to score Neu.

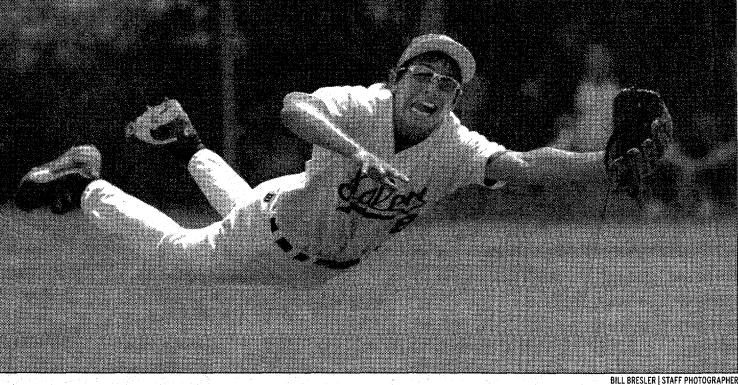
Ben Vaughn led off Canton's seventh with a single, however, Carozza retired the next three hitters on a strikeout and two ground-outs, setting the stage for his heroics in the bottom half of the frame.

player to register two hits.

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The Chargers claimed a

Carozza was the game's only



Salem right-fielder Justin Horger went horizontal in an effort to catch a flyball in the Rocks' District semifinal game against Plymouth Saturday. The Wildcats won, 11-7.

### Wildcats take slugfest from Salem, 11-7

#### **BY ED WRIGHT** STAFF WRITER

Plymouth surged to an 11-0 lead Saturday afternoon before hanging on for an 11-7 victory over Salem in a Division 1 District semifinal game played at Livonia Stevenson High School.

The win earned the Wildcats a berth in the District final against Livonia Churchill.

Sophomore pitcher Brad Lineberry earned the win for the Wildcats. He worked the first 5.2 innings before giving way to Tyler Locklear, who picked up the save.

The Wildcats' 15-hit offensive attack was spearheaded by freshman third baseman Matt Priebe, who went 4-for-4 with a double, two runs scored and

an RBI. David Harvey also reached base four times for the winners -- two times on hits and twice on errors.

A pair of sophomores ---Plymouth's Ronnie Goble and Salem's Sam Ott -- launched long home runs for their respective teams.

Mat Woster, Kyle Powell and Kyle Bricker each ripped a pair of hits for the Rocks, who finished with 11 safeties.

Harvey ignited the Wildcats' 11-run day with a lead-off single. He stole second, went to third on a balk and scored on a Priebe double.

Harvey upped his team's lead to 2-0 in the second with a two-out RBI double that scored Matt Skubick. Plymouth then plated four more in the third thanks to

**RBI from Ryan Valle, Skubick** and Ben Kosmalski.

The Wildcats capped their scoring spree in the fourth with four runs on six hits. The big blast was Goble's four-bagger that cleared the right-center field fence. Valle had the other key hit in the frame, a two-run single.

Despite its 11-run deficit,



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1.1 innings.

Salem never quit and tallied three runs in the fifth and four

in the sixth. Bricker, Woster,

fifth. Ott's two-run homer

following Ott's tater and did

not allow a hit over the final

keyed the four-run sixth.

Ott, Brad Way and Kyle Powell

all ripped hits in the three-run

Locklear relieved Lineberry

Notice is hereby given that the City of Plymouth, Michigan will conduct a sale of surplus property and property confiscated by the Police Department on Saturday, June 9, 2007 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (noon). The sale will be held in the City Hall garage, 201 S. Main, Plymouth, MI, 48170. Items to be sold include bicycles, office furniture, electronic equipment, and computer equipment (monitors, printers, etc.)

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#### **CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON** ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

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#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING VACATING OF ALLEY

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held on Monday, June 18, 2007 at 7:00 pm at Lions Park, (Burroughs and Harding) (In the case of inclement weather the Public Hearing will be held in the City Commission Chambers of City Hall, 201 S. Main, Plymouth, Michigan.) concerning the question of whether or not the following portion of an alley is to be vacated.

DESCRIPTION: A portion of a certain public alley adjacent to the properties

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authorize the amendment to the Continental Services contract for the operation of Pheasant Run Golf Club Grill. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to adjourn from the regular Board Meeting at 7:04 p.m. Motion carried by all members present. A regular study meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton held Tuesday, May 29, 2007 at 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON** 

**BOARD PROCEEDINGS - MAY 29, 2007** 

A regular study meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter

Township of Canton held Tuesday, May 29, 2007 at 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to

Roll Call Members Present: Bennett, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, Yack,

Zarbo Members Absent: Caccamo (on Military leave), McLaughlin

Adoption of Agenda Motion by Bennett, seconded by Zarbo to

approve the agenda. Motion carried by all members present. CONSENT CALENDAR: Item 1. AMEND CONTINENTAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO OPERATE PHEASANT RUN

GRILL. (CLS) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to

order at 7:02 pm and led the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call Members Present: Bennett, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, Yack, Zarbo Members Absent: Caccamo (on Military leave), McLaughlin Staff Present: Director Eva, Director Faas <u>STUDY SESSION</u> <u>TOPIC</u> Item 1. UPDATED WATER & SEWER COST OF SERVICE STUDY

Presenter: Mark Beauchamp, CPA, CMA, MBA Utility Financial Solutions, LLC Receive and place on file the report for the Water & Sewer Cost of Service Study. Implementation of the new rates will be accomplished through approval of ordinance changes in the month of June.

Other The study session for June 5, 2007 has been cancelled. The next Board meeting is scheduled for June 12, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Administration Building, First Floor, Board Room, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Adjourn Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo at 9:32 p.m. to adjourn. 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 www.canton-mi.org" www.canton-mi.org after Board Approval.

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described as the east ten feet (1/2 of 20 foot wide Alley) of a portion of a certain public alley adjacent to the properties described as; Lots 155, 156, 157, & 158, 159, 160 Kate E. Allen's Addition to the Plymouth Village, TIS R8E L.22 P.54 Wayne County Records, also known as addresses 311, 297, 285, 275, 265, & 225 N. Harvey Street, also adjacent to addresses 312, 298, 288 & 272, 264 & 254 Ann street.

All interested parties will be given ample opportunity to participate in the hearing and, at the close of said hearing, comments and suggestions of these citizens participating will be considered by the City Commission prior to rendering its decision.

For questions concerning this Public Hearing, contact the City Manager's Office at (734) 453-1234 ext 203.

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All interested persons are invited to attend.

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The following vehicles have been deemed abandoned and will be sold at public auction June 12, 2007 at 10:00 AM. The auction will be held at Westland Car Care Towing, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, MI 48185. The vehicles will be sold as is, starting bid is for towing and storage.

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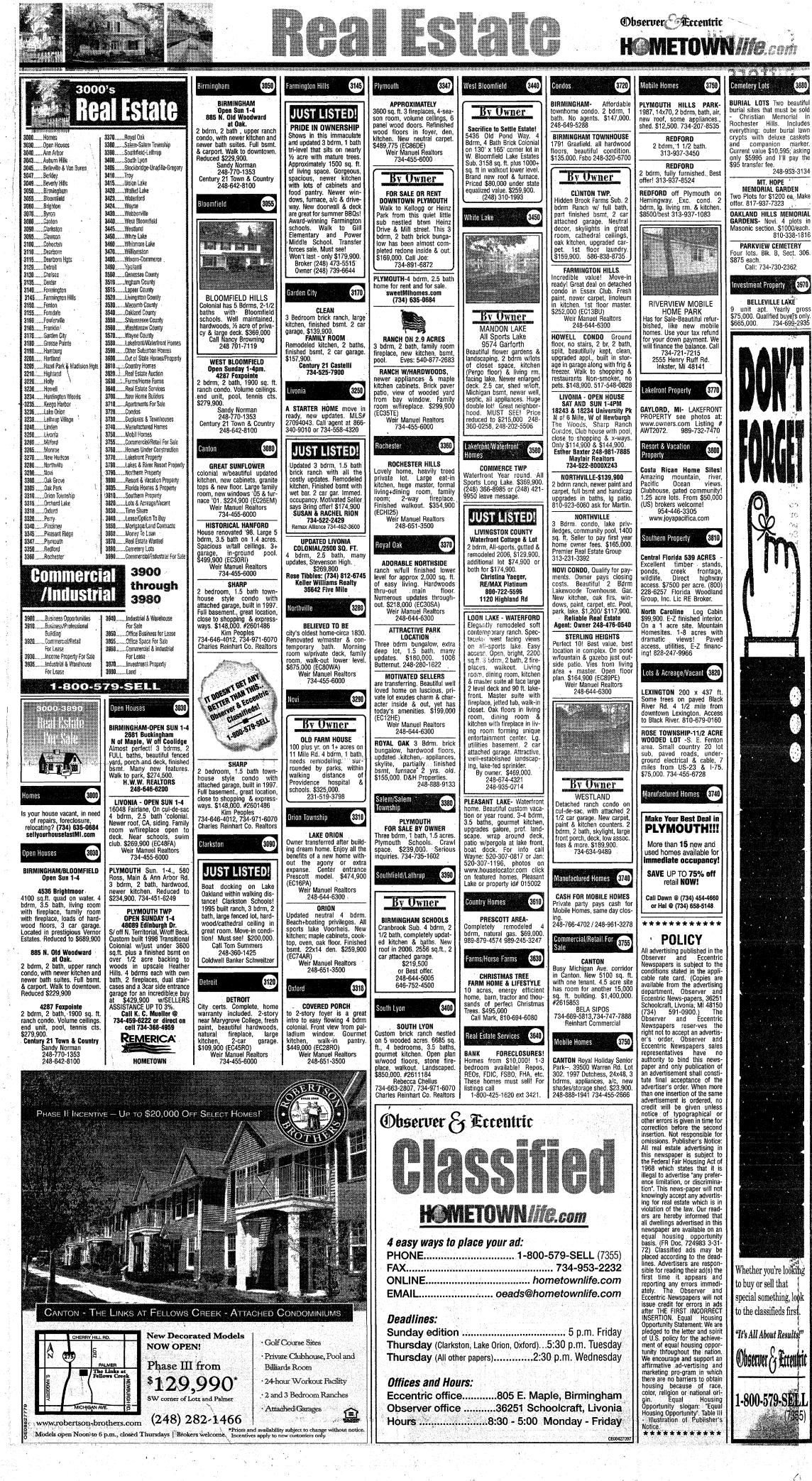
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WORKWISE Everyone encounters hatred · at some point in life. This could be at work, in the

community or society overall. It is complex; its solutions, varied. HATRED,

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HARASSMENT, BULLYING Lynn Hagan, licensed clinical social worker in private practice at Cohen

Associates P.A., in Houston, spent five years counseling State Department employees in Kuwait. "Particularly after 9/ 11," she says, "I had specific instances of Kuwaitis discussing business trips to the United States, where they were detained at the airport because of racial profiling." Sometimes, she explains, hatred appears as harassment. It's not bullying, which she defines as "generally a self-promoting behavior involving building the self up to beat the other person down.

"Hatred is much broader, targeting the other person," she explains. "It has to do with bias. People who hate are hating a group for its gender, sexual identity, race, physical appearance, disability or religious affiliation.

Tim Ursiny, CEO of Advantage Coaching & Training Inc., in West Chicago, Ill., maintains that many corporations, confronting aggressive conflict. equate hatred with aggressiveness. "Hatred involves selfprotection of some kind, "he states. "Many times people are just frightened to death.

His role is to identify the source and potential solutions. Why are people so

angry? "Many times fear, hurt, betrayal and humiliation are below it," he states. "The challenge is to get their world view. Hatred itself is so hard to work with directly. If we can get to the emotion below that, we have a chance for healing."

ALTERNATIVES

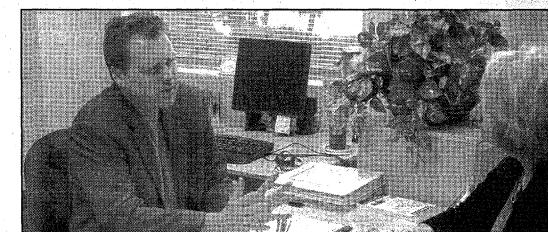
The easiest solution to hatred is to cut off entirely from individuals fomenting it. Don't speak with them; don't work with them; move on. But is that the best solution? It may not be if you're working at a company you like or in a career you won't abandon.

While you may feel like attacking the person, Ursiny recommends that you "build firm boundaries, not beat the person back." Returning hatred with anger or hatred will increase the person's selfprotection. That gives you one more layer to penetrate. "But don't let the person -who isn't rational -- inappropriately hurt you," Ursiny states. "Guard your integrity. Have boundaries without being hateful."

If you decide to counter rather than ignore the hateful communication, Ursiny maintains that you'll be successful about 90 percent of the time by "finding one thing to agree with. But be genuine. This usually diffuses the person." Doing so requires:

- deflecting by thinking, paraphrasing and indicating without emotion that you understand the issue being discussed;

-- worrying less about your words than tone and face, to which the person will give more credence than what you say;



Tim Ursiny coaches a client about methods for handling hatred in the workplace. He is CEO of West Chicago, III.'s Advantage Coaching & Training Inc., in West Chicago, III.

-- replacing the impulse to placate with energy to avoid fueling the person; and

-- defusing through respect and selfconfidence.

"If you come with insecurity, you're doomed," he comments.

Hagan advises you to check with company policies before you take action, and not to take it if you might compromise your safety. She recommends that you express your discomfort. "Tell the person you can't change the way they think, but ask them to temper their remarks and behaviors. Then, if you have a friend in his same ethnic group, for example, ask him to (intervene). Enlist help of a social service agency, church, synagogue or mosque to engage in a dialogue.'

She remarks that documenting everything is essential. Protect your records by storing them away from the environment where the hatred is

expressed. Hagan advocates approaching your supervisor, then the Employee Assistance Program (EAP) for guidance, whether internal or external. "EAP falls under HR," she clarifies, "but they don't report to HR. "Consider the possibility of legal action, if necessary.

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Hagan points out that we live in a culture of hatred. Popular television shows, such as "The Weakest Link" and "American Idol, "and radio personalities such as Limbaugh, Howard Stern and Imus participate in and contribute to our culture of hatred by belittling others. "All of these shows promote beating down other people so you look better. It is pervasive. Why is our culture allowing this?

While you're looking for an answer, counter hate effectively.

(Dr. Mildred L. Culp is an award-§ winning journalist. Copyright 2007 Passage Media.)

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BIRMINGHAM Arts & Crafts, clothes, etc June 8- 12-6pm June9 & 10th.10-5pm, 1860 Bowers. 8- 12-6pm June9 & Btwn. 14 & 15 mile.

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Bloomfield Hills 2447 Bratton, btwn. Telegraph & Woodward, N. of Square Lake Rd. June 7-9, 9-4pm. New items & many great bargains

**BLOOMFIELD HILLS 2741** Colby Dr., Take Aldgate to Colby, Manor. June 8-9th, 9-5pm. Baby clothes, household items, etc...

**BLOOMFIELD HILLS** Subdivision Whisperwood Garage Sale - June 7, 8, 9 9am-4pm. Between Square Lake & South Blvd, West off Adams.

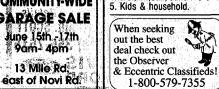
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S off Saltz, 1/4 mile E. of Beck CANTON- Yard Sale. Lots of June 8 & 9, 9-4pm household, misc and Antiques. June 8 & 9, 9-5pm S. of 9Mile at Drake 1216 Cavalier, off Sheldon btwn Cherry Hill & Ford. CANTON- Thurs-Sat., 9-4pm 6028 Meadowview Dr., N/Ford, W/Beck. Queen size bdrm set, treadmill and many household items. CANTON: CENTURY FARMS ANNUAL SUB SALE June 7, 8 & 9, 9-5 pm, N. of Palmer, W. of Haggerty. Household, tools, clothing, baby items, coke machines, carpet rempants British motorcycles & more. CLARKSTON Moving Sale FERNDALE June 9 & 10, Sat. Brand name clothing, women's & maternity size 2-6, boys NB-2T, Baby stuff, Furniture, 5752 Bellshire Ln. Clarkston, Thurs.-Sat., 9am-5pm. CLARKSTON HUGE GARAGE SALE! One Day Only! Sat., June 9, 9am-5pm. 9420 Allen Road, M-15 & Rattelee Rd. stuff. **CLAWSON-** Estate & Multifamily. June 8 & 9, 8am-4pm. 294 Chippewa, 1 N/Normandy, W/Main blł St Something for everyone! DEARBORN - 23112 Mariboro. 6/8-6/10, 9-? Estate like sale. Household items, tools, acces-

sories and some furniture.

DETROIT - Sun., June 10, 8-5. 18446 Parkside, University

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5pm. Many families, many items. Orion Road between Stoney Creek & Kern.

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clothes, 12403 Cardwell blocks W. of Inkster 3 blocks N. of Plymouth Rd. LIVONIA 33004 Scone, I-96 & Farmington, June 7-9th, 9-5. Entire contents of home. Moving to California. Too

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LIVONIA Multi-Family Sale - 36097 Scone, baby, child, household, collector items, new items 6/7, 6/8, 6/9, 9am-4pm.

LIVONIA 14520 GARDEN ST. of Middlebelt, N of Lyndon 6/8-6/10, 9am-3pm, 15 cu, ft chest freezer, IKEA storage box spring, desk, books, LPs, lamps, linens, ir girls' cloth-

extension ladder, colng, lectibles, models, more. LIVONIA 28275 W. Chicago btwn Inkster & Middlebelt Rd., June 8-10, 9-5. Toys,

stuff, auto, Christmas decor & household items. LIVONIA 9317 Virginia E. of Farmington, S. of W. Chicago June 8-9, 9-4. Multi-Family. Oak kitchen table/5 chairs cabinet, household, misc. LIVONIA June 7-9th, 9am-7pm.14741 Fairway at 5 Mile & Levan. Lots of baby/kid's items, toys, new/used books

DVDs CDs (underground rap) LIVONIA Super Sale - Dept. 56, Lemax, Spooky Halloween collectibles, Tow some Christmas too. Stylish clothes, many must have items! 17268 McNamara Dr., Francavilla Sub. Livonia. June 8th only! 8:30am-1:00pm

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Toys, furniture, small elec-tronics, vinyl records, house-hold. June 7-10, 9-5. 29420 Lori, 5 Mile & Middlebelt. LIVONIA Moving sale. Furniture, clothing, home fur-nishing. Thurs. & Fri. , 10-5pm. 15770 Golfview. (5 mile

& Levan). LIVONIA - June 8-9 & June 11-15. 9am-5pm. 14381 11-15, 9am-5pm. 14381 Brentwood, btwn Lyndon & Meadowlark. Furniture, appli-ances, household goods, misc LIVONIA - 18996 Whitby. 302 H.O. Ford Motor parts, Kenwood home stereo, micro-

waves, baby clothes & toys, CDs, DVDs, VCR, lots more! No junk! Fri., 3-8, Sat., 9-6pm, Sun. Noon-? 5 houses S. of 7 Mile, W. of Farmington. LIVONIA - 34068 Hathaway, W. Chicago & Farmington

Sat. 6/9, 10-3pm; Sun. 6/10, 10-3pm, bonus day, 3 houses girls grew up, 40 yrs. of stuff.

7-9, 9-4pm. 19395 Laurel, 7 Mile/Gill. Quality household items, like new clothes, home decor, some children clothes. LIVONIA- Sat., June 9, 8-5pm. 9905 Loveland, Plymouth/Farmington. Furniture kids toys/clothes, tools, swing set, household, misc. LIVONIA- June 8 & 9, 8-4pm 15425 Hubbard, N/5 Mile Huge Garage Sale- household garden, Chaise, PartyLite, baby items and much, much more. LIVONIA-Fri & Sat., June 8 & 9, 9am-5pm. 29635 Oakley, 5 Mile & Middlebelt. Household, collectibles, misc. items. Milford/Wixom- BARN SALEI Parents set up at flea market we are liquidating. Tons of tools, shoes, dolls, some antiques, some collectibles, pipes, knives, silverplate, 2380 Wixom Trail. 9am-5pm, June 7-9. NO early birds. NORTHVILLE Hills of Crest-

household sale. Wed & Thurs, 9-5. Fri & Sat, 9-Noon. 14893

Park, near 5 Mile & Yale, Table

LIVONIA- FOUR FAMILY-June

& chairs, electronics, tools.

wood Sub. N. of 6 Mile. E. of Beck. June 9th, 8-2pm. HUGE Subdivision Garage Sale! 10 homes! Too much to list! NORTHVILLE 20019 Rippling

Lane, June 8. 7am-8pm. Proceeds for Habitat For Humanity. Hot tub, lots of misc. & much more.

NORTHVILLE Two Family Sale - Sat., 06/9 9-4 p.m. 15487 Merion Ct., Northville Hills Sub.

NORTHVILLE 20220 20220 Longwood Ct., Highland Lakes Area, between 7 & 8 Mile, off Silver Springs. Ct. June 9/10, 10am until 4pm

NORTHVILLI HILLS GOLF CLUB SUB WIDE GARAGE SALE Thurs, 6/7 & Fri, 6/8 (9a-4p) S of 6 Mile/E & W of Sheldon

NORTHVILLE BLOCK SALE - On Wakenden south of 8 Mile (west of Beech Daly). Several families Neighborhood Garage Sale N. Lexington Condos, N. of 8 Mile, entrance on Taft. Housewares, furniture, art, books, sports. June 8-9, 9-3 NORTHVILLE- Park Place REDFORD Estate Sub-Wide Sale! June 8

9-4pm & June 9, 9-1pm. 9 Mile & Napier. Oak furniture, living room sets, baby, toys **NORTHVILLE-3 Family Sale** Fri. & Sat., 9am-3pm. 16987 Winchester, S. off 6 Mile 16987 Sales rep samples, antiques decor items, furniture.

> NOVI **BRADFORD OF NOVI** SUB WIDE SALE! June 7-9, 9am-?. S/ 9 Mile & W/ Taft

OAKLAND TWP Thurs-Fri-Sat. 9-4pm, 5630 Thorny Ash in Oakland Valley Sub.

Napier, S. of Powell. Sat. June 9th only. 9-2. PLYMOUTH Household, tools, etc. June 8th & 9th. 9am 6pm. 39540 Winesap 6pm. 39540 Winesap, Plymouth. S. of Ann Arbor Rd off Eckles PLYMOUTH TWP. **HUGE GARAGE SALE** 9am-4pm JUNE 7, 8, 9, 9-5

Arbor

42544 Apple Creek, off Lilley, btwn. Joy & Ann **ROCHESTER HILLS** Deer Run Sub Garage Sale. Fri. & Sat. 6-8th & 6-9th, 9am-5pm Rd. Many antiques & Entrance on Avon collectibles, tools, powe tools, old Plymouth Box bar items, oil cans & oilers, between Livernois & Crooks. **ROCHESTER HILLS - Cross** railroad items, lots of misc Creek Annual Sub Sale, June 8 & 9, 9-4pm. Off Rochester DON'T MISS THIS ONE! Rd, 1/2 mile N. of Tienken Great variety of items!!! PLYMOUTH - Huge 3 Family. Antiques Collectibles, House-**ROCHESTER HILLS-** Dual sub hold, Thurs-Sat, 8-5pm, 46334 garage sale. Quail Ridge & Rookery Woods. June 8-9, 8:30am-4pm, NW corner of Wesford Ct., btwn Beck a Sheldon, off Ann Arbor Trail. Beck & Adams & Hamlin.

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SOUTHFIELD June 7-9th. 29777 Somerset, off 12 Mile Rd. Plants, tools, jewelry, household & much

SOUTHFIELD - GARAGE SALE

VILLAGE ATHLETIC CLUB

Sat. 10-5pm & Sun. 1-5pm

28004 Evergreen Rd., btwn 11 & 12 Mile. Picnic tables, lawn

furniture, tennis & swim equip,

PLYMOUTH GARAGE SALE 9097 & 9105 Countrywood Sat., June 9, 9am-5pm. Woodwardside Sub. S. 13, E. Drive (Ridgewood West Sub Plymouth) Variety of excellent items - June 8-9 (Friday Woodward, N. Webster. Rain or Shine! and Saturday) 9am to 5pm. ROYAL OAK June 8-9th, 8-4pm. 1406 Millard, 13½ & Campbell. Clothes, furniture, PLYMOUTH - Yard Sale, June home decor, TV's, electronics

7,8,9, 8-1pm, 1300 Ross Street. Lg. furniture, house goods, Little Tykes, mower,etc. Near Smith Elementary PLYMOUTH - Yearly park-Thurs.-Fri., 9am-4pm & Sat., 9am-2pm. 207 Austin Ave, off of Main St, N of 11 Mile. Toys, wide yard sale. Sat. June 9, 9-5pm. 14201 Ridge Rd, Plymouth Hill M.H. Park.

dids' clothes, home & garden, TV, dishwasher. **PLYMOUTH - MULTI-HOMES** ROYAL OAK 116 E. 7th St. Fri.-Sat., June 8-9, 8-4pm. Greystone Estates off Hag-gerty btwn. Ann Arbor Rd. & Ann Arbor Trail. Longaberger & Pewabic, kids & household. Lincoln & Main, June 8-9, 10-5, June 10, 12-4. Store closing. New furniture, home decor, store fixtures, shabby

#### PLYMOUTH-Multi-family! Household, boat

motors, tools, toys. 9-1 Sat., June 9. 9160 Woodbury, Joy/Beck Rd. **PLYMOUTH-**

June 7-9, 9-5pm. 11723 Spicer Dr., Ann Arbor Trail/Riverside Dr. Household, clothes, misc. REDFORD BIG REDFORD

refrigerators, microwave, etc. Southfield Estate Sale 23354 Churches W. of Telegraph, off 9 Mile Rd., June 8-10th 10participating! Kids' items, washer/dryer, furniture, lots 4pm. Lots of antiques, tools, more!! June 8-10 8am-6pm. new clothes 1x-2x, misc.

MOVING SALE June 8, 9, & 10, 8am-4pm 19969 Indian

REDFORD 17422 Delaware, N. of 6 Mile, W. of Beech, June 7-9th, 9-5pm, 3 families, Lots of stuff! SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!

**REDFORD** Toys, twins stroller, yard & household items women's 2x clothes and and much more June 9 & 10 Sat 7-3pm, Sun. 9-3pm. 26032

Lyndon. REDFORD June 8-13, 9 6pm. 19924 Centralia, Beech & Grand River area, behind YWCA. Antiques, bears.

frames, too many items to list!

WEST BLOOMFIELD Mission Springs Sub Sale. June 8-10, 9-5pm. (N. off Rd., next Hugger Elementary BOCHESTER HILLS MOVING Willow, E. of Lockhaven) Antiques-metal & wood; Furniture, tools, antiques new beaded jewelry, sports weight bench, touring bike, 8 walnut dining chairs, hi-chair equip, bikes, toys, plano,etc tools,office furniture & sup plies, Christmas decor, house clothing wares, art, and cli QUAIL RIDGE SUB. 3145

WEST BLOOMFIELD Sub Sale! June 7-8-9, 9-5pm. Heron View Dr., off Lochaven, btwn. Kenwood, Thurs., Fri., Sat. Cooley Lk.& Greer. Furniture. camper & much more.

> WEST BLOOMFIELD Bloomfield Ridge Sub-14 Homes

Commerce btwn Green Lake and Keith, June 7-9, 9-4pm. Treadmill, furniture, crafts, microwave & much more! Estate/moving sale. Sat. & Sun, June 9 & 10, 11 am-5pm. 38875 Country Circle.

Middlebury, S/Maple ( Mile), W/Cranbrook. Thurs. Sat. June 7, 8, 9, 9-5p.

Builder retiring; tools for sale. Household items, Barbie Cellection, 30 hp. Johnson outboard motor, 11 ft. Boston Whaler, boat, antique, tous

Whaler boat, antique toys,

designer clothes 8-10 petite

Couch, wall unit, dining room

set, bdrm sets, tables, lamps

FARMINGTON HILLS

June 8 & 9, 9-4pm. 28915 Oak Point Dr.,

Colony Park Sub.

13 Mile/Farmington.

**FARMINGTON HILLS** 

5pm. 38875 Country Circle. Bldg. 18. Crosswinds Com-

plex. Lots of furniture, all in

great shape, priced to sell.

Beautiful hutch and dining set, 2 sofas, small Laz-n-boy, Beds/ frames, chairs, coffee.

tables, end tables, lamps, odds & ends. Stove and Frig.,

cookware, flatware, dishes & china galore, pottery, framed

chest, towels, bedding, cloth-ing and more. Come prepared to carry a away. All Must Go!! 248-462-1072

PLYMOUTH 13048 Glenmar

Ct., N. Territorial West of Beck Rd., June 7-8, 9-4. Kids'

clothes, bedding, room decor, toys, games, books, pools, rocking chair, exercise equip.,

furniture, & misc. household.

PLYMOUTH - MOVING SALE

Furniture, ping-pong, Precious-Moments, etc. Fri.-Sat., 9-4.-11420\_Gold Arbor, off Ann

baby, tools etc. June 7-9,-8am-4pm. 8947 N. Territorial, W/Gotfordson, across from

ROCHESTER HILLS HUGE SALE!

40s 50s glassware, Oak sideboard, armoire,

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MANY ANTIQUES

WAYNE MOVING SALE!

Household,

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Arbor Trail, W. of Haggerty.

PLYMOUTH-

Fox Hills.

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books & more.

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9-5p.m.



WEST BLOOMFIELD

**Multi-Family Garage Sale** Tons of baby & children items household goods, clintrein terns, household goods, clothing, bedding, electronic equip-ment. Sat.-Sun, 8-4pm. 4327 Macqueen, off Lone Pine, btwn Orchard & Middlebelt WEST BLOOMFIELD- Patomic

Village #3 SUB-WIDE SALE! Jun 9 & 10. W/off Farmington btwn Maple/Walnut Lak tunr on Kingsfield or Forestdale.

WESTLAND

Multi-family! Household, clothes, etc. 8298 Randy, W/Middlebelt, S/Joy Rd. June 7-9. 8am-6pm. WESTLAND Heritage Park Subdivision Garage Sale -June 9-10, 2007, 9am to 5pm both days. West Side of Hix

Rd. between Joy and Warren. WESTLAND Thurs, Fri. & Sat, 9-4pm, 8125 Donna. (Middlebelt & Ann Arbor Trail. 3 families.

Little bit of everything WESTLAND 35316 Webster

St., btwn Yale & Wayne. Sat., June 9th, 11am-7pm & Sun., June 10th, 10am-6pm. Lots of misc. items!

WESTLAND 8299 Grav. off Joy biwn Wayne & Newburgh, June 8-10, 10-5pm. Yard/Tool Collectibles & books Thurs-Sat 9-5 & Sun 9 1362 Berhaven Drive. sale. Household, clothes, appliances, etc ... Thornridge Sub, off Adams

WESTLAND - June 9-12, 10 5pm. 32460 Grandview, btwn Venoy & Merriman. Complete service for 8 Pfaltzgraff dish es, kid's clothes, household.

WESTLAND

WESTLAND BLOCK SALE TROY Long Lake Village Sub. Sale June 8-9th, 9am-4pm, South of Long Lake, East of Rochester Rd. EVERYTHING on Dawson Ct. Cherry Hill/Hix Road. June 7-9, 8:30-5pm.

**TROY** Huge multi family. Fri., June 8, 8-5 & Sat., June 9, 9-2, 952 Banmoor. N. of 16, E. off Crooks. Something for everyone. Don't miss.\*

FROM A TO Z!

TROY GARAGE SALE June 8-9-10, 9am-8pm. Newburgh & Palmer Sat. June 9, 11-3pm. 6904 Granger Dr., North of Square WESTLAND- June 8-10, Fri. Lake, East of Crooks.

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or call: 248-909-5918 WEST BLOOMFIELD - 7441

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1 DAY ONLY, Sat. 9-3pm. 35738 Chestnut. Wayne Rd, W to dead end. Moving to Europe! Furniture, toys, etc. WE HAVE SPACE FOR YOU TO RENT Moving truck going West. Small or large load in mid-





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## VOLVO, HONDA AIR OUT 'NEW-CAR SMELL'

Advertising Feature

### CAReport



#### By Dale Buss

Do-gooders are trying to ruin the romance of that "new-car smell" just like they did red meat and cigarettes. And at least some auto makers are going along with the effort.

An environmental advocacy group rated more than 200 new vehicles sold in the United States according to which toxic chemicals "off-gas" that are included in a range of interior parts in each model. These chemicals contribute not only to the new-car smell but also to a "variety of acute and long-term health concerns," said the Ecology Center, the Ann Arbor, Mich.-based group that issued the report.

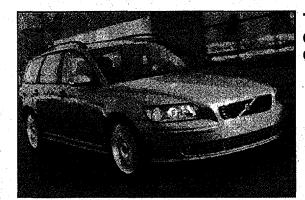
"We really want the [auto] industry to become leaders in designing some of these materials out of their vehicles and having chemical policies that produce cleaner vehicles," said Jeff Gearhart, Clean Car campaign director for the group.

Some auto companies embraced the study's conclusions, notably Volvo and Honda, which each placed a vehicle among the four best, according to the Ecology Center's criteria. Nissan -- whose Versa model placed dead last - also owned up to the results, as did Hyundai.

Other car makers, however, complained that the study's conclusions were irrelevant, in part because the report didn't draw conclusions about the actual quality of the air in any new vehicle.

And at least one independent expert in indoor-air quality also questioned the relevance of the study and of the general assertion that off-gassing from any interior plastics should prompt health concerns.

"It's junk science," said Michael Shaw, executive vice president and director of marketing for Interscan Corp., a Los Angeles company that makes instruments to measure indoor-air quality. "They didn't do any air-quality measurements; their conclusions were sort of extrapolations. If it were a good-faith study, they would have actually measured the compounds in the air in a car. They haven't really added much to our knowledge on this issue." Nobody is asserting that the traditional new-car



Chevrolet Cobalt was one of the highestscoring models in the HealthyCar.org report. Next review coming Friday!

smell is therapeutic. The Ecology Center report, available at HealthyCar.org, simply explained that the fumes given off by some interior components are from nefarious sources with "known toxicity, persistence, and tendency to build up in people and the environment." They included bromine, chlorine, and lead.

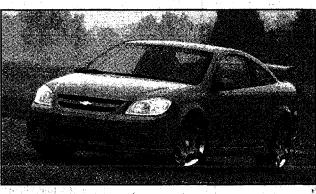
The Ecology Center used a portable X-ray fluorescence device to identify the elemental composition of plastics in each vehicle in 15 different components ranging from the steering wheel to carpet to soft door trim – areas that are most likely to be touched or otherwise contribute to human exposure. Center personnel did their testing at cooperative car dealerships.

Overall, Volvo and Honda vehicles performed notably well according to the Ecology Center's criteria, with the Chevrolet Cobalt, Chrysler PT Cruiser, Honda Odyssey and Volvo V50 faring the best.

With a traditional reputation for safety, Volvo called it "natural" for the brand "to offer its customers a good environment even inside the car," including both a conscientious use of materials as well as good air-filtering systems.

"The textiles and leather used in our cars meet stringent Oeko-Tex standard 100," noted Anders Karrberg, Volvo's environmental director, referring to a voluntary international labeling scheme for textiles that have been analyzed for substances that are considered harmful to health. "We also work with contact allergies and are phasing out toxic substances such as certain phthalates."

The Volvo V50 scored well, in part because the company considers interior healthfulness a corporate priority.



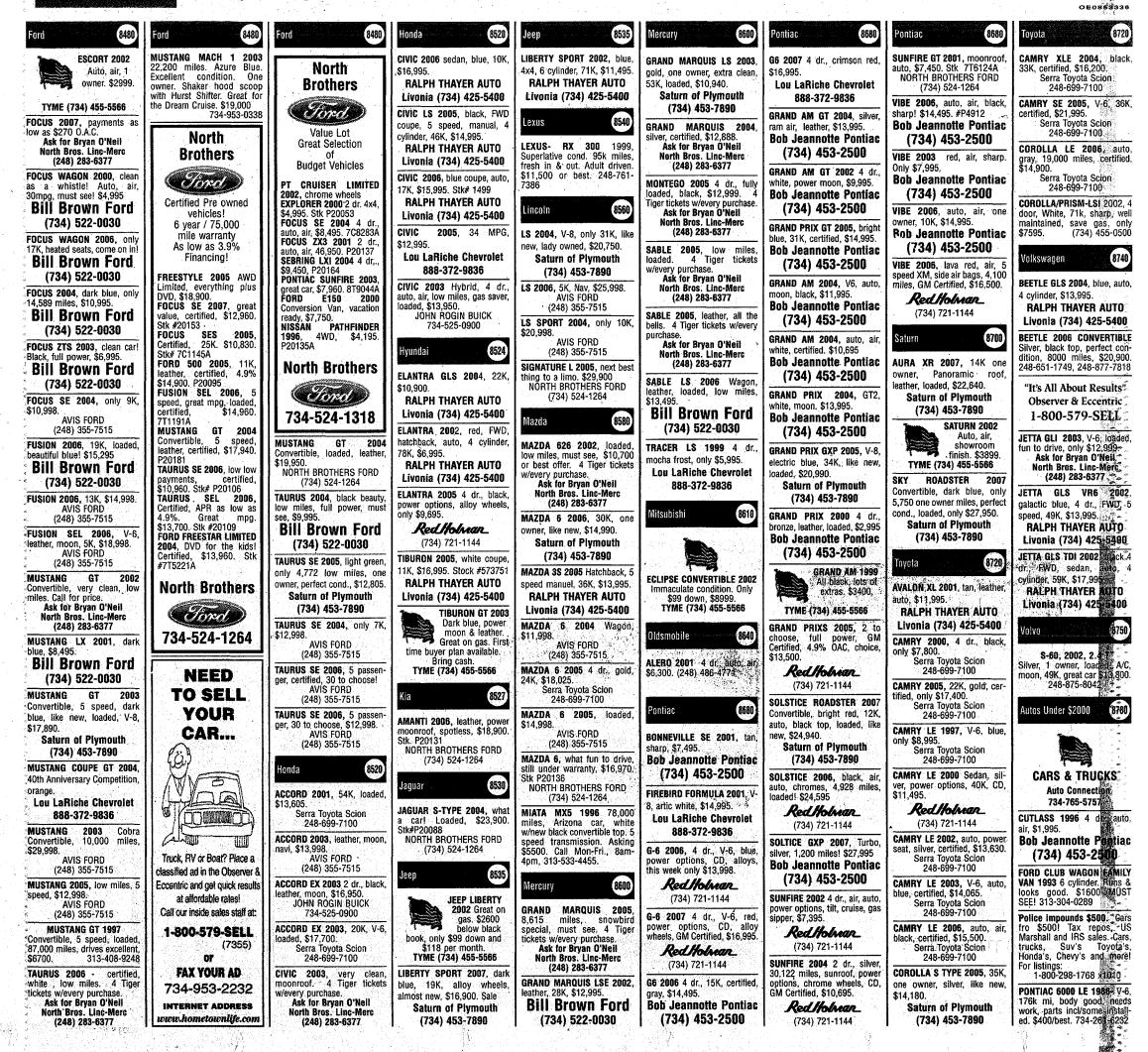
Honda maintained that its relatively good showing in HealthyCar.org in part reflected its growing attention to the car's interior environment. For example, the company has been working on a "biofabric" made from plant materials that wouldn't give off any of the toxic fumes criticized by the Ecology Center. This biofabric is supposed to be durable and highly resistant to fading and degradation from sunlight, according to David Iida, a spokesman for American Honda Motor Co. in Detroit.

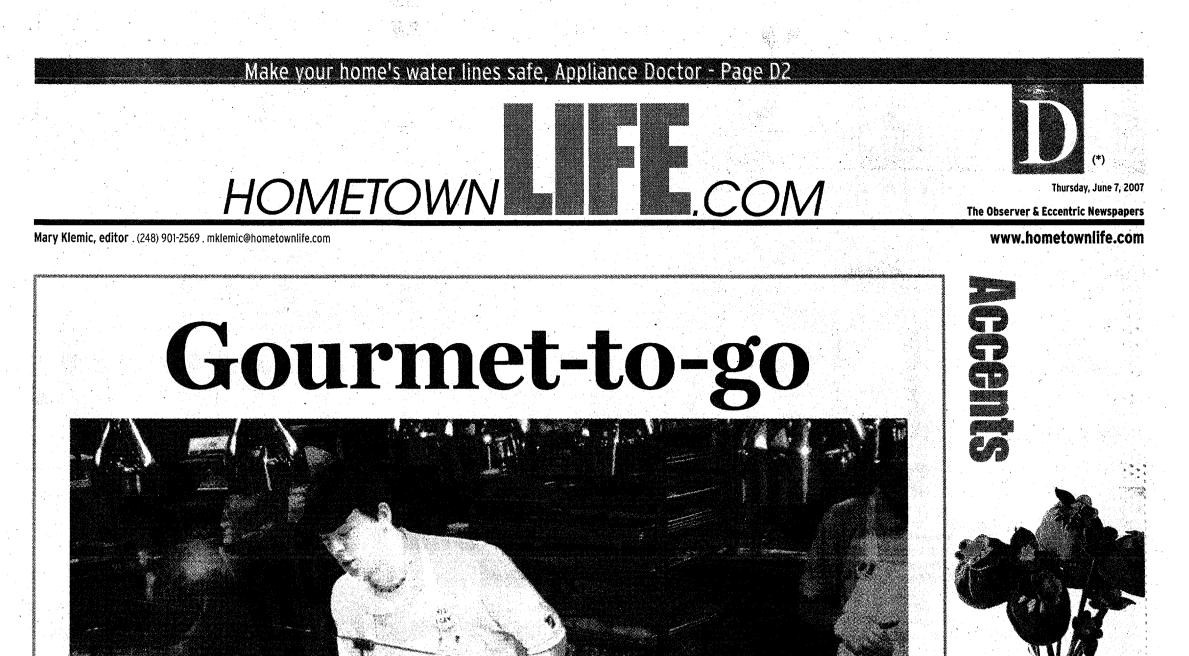
"We're going to use it for seats, carpets, and maybe even roof liners, even the inside of doors, beginning with the introduction of our fuel-cell vehicle next year and in other models afterward," Iida said.

Nissan didn't fare well. It questioned some details of the report; and the company said that almost no consumers have ever complained about off-gassing. But the company didn't dispute the broad conclusions of HealthyCar.org.

"The important issue is what are we doing about substances that have been proven to pose a risk," said. Fred Standish, a Nissan spokesman in Smyrna, Tenn. "We're phasing out those substances right now using internal criteria to phase in replacements for those substances in new vehicles." Existing supplier contracts are governing the pace of some of the changes, Standish said.

Hyundai said that it is "proactively working with our suppliers and partners ... evaluating chemicals of concern." But company spokesman Miles Johnson also said that Hyundai is still "evaluating the techniques" used in the report.





#### Special show

The Women of Bloomfield juried Arts and Crafts Show will take place 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, June 13, at First United Methodist Church, 1589 W. Maple in Birmingham. Sixty artists will be in the show, offering works such as: jewelry by RH Langner Designs of Troy, which features emeralds, black pearls and other stones; and handknit children's hats by Elaine and Eve Redmond of Beverly Hills, who also make sweaters and other items.

All proceeds from the event go to SCAMP (Summer Camp Scholarships for Special Needs Children) and the CARE House of the Oakland County Child Abuse and Neglect Council.

For more information, call Sharon at (248) 858-7477.

#### Turf talk

a new identity for destination shopping in terms of groceries.

Markets aim at consumers with upscale offerings

Markets all over town have geared toward becoming more to go, and staffing chefs to create these foods for customers, too busy to cook their own food. It isn't a new trend by any stretch of the imagination, but it is one that is certain to better the odds of survival and profitability in a sea of slicing and dicing by cut-throat competition. "More grocers are going more upscale," said Bruce Konowalow, director of culinary arts at Schoolcraft College. "They are following trends of consumers who do less cooking and are tired of the fast food and want good quality food.

cated and accustomed to better food, and more health conscious. Owner Joe Maiorana, owner of Joe's Produce in Livonia, added 12,000 square feet of space to accommodate the expanded food offerings of takeout, salad bar and soups, deli meats and cheeses. Maiorana added a staff of 10 chefs, many of which are graduates of Schoolcraft College's culinary arts department, to work with chef Keith Matherly, who joined Joe's nearly two years ago.

62 years," Maiorana said. "We've seen the marketplace change, and we're adjusting to it."

PHOTOS BY JOHN STORMZAND | STAFF

the traditional meat, seafood, bakerv and deli counters.

They have expanded those food

"We've been in the business for

The markets have gone beyond

Walk-in coolers store 300 gallons of soups made right in the store.

consumer-friendly, with fresh foods

"The average diner is more edu-

Chefs roll pasta dough, creating everything from lasagna to ravioli.

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK

STAFF, WRITER

a new location in Rochester Hills.

Upstairs on the mezzanine chocolate mousse is stirred up in the patisserie, while a garlic bread is rolled and baked in The Art of Bread section. Hickory smolders inside a smoker, creating slow roasted ribs.

Papa Joe's Gourmetrion Lifestyle Center in Rochester Hills opened in April, expanding on the concept of "gourmet-to-go" foods and creating

lines and taken on new strategies.

Hiller's Markets hired Rick Halberg, chef and former owner of Emily's in Northville, to be director of culinary operations. Holiday Market in Royal Oak has a contingent of Schoolcraft culinary graduates who work in catering and teach cooking classes. Busch's hired Rebecca Miller, another Schoolcraft

Please see GOURMET, D3

SLID

The "Yard Doctor," Trey Rogers, has written Lawn Geek: Tips and Tricks for the Ultimate Turf From the Guru of Grass (New American Library Trade Paperback, \$15).

The guide offers authoritative and humorous advice for every kind of lawn care enthusiast.

Rogers - dubbed the Lawn Geek by USA Today - has a Ph.D. in agronomy from Penn-State and is a professor of crop and soil sciences at Michigan State University.

Rogers, who lives in East Lansing, is an expert on the improvement of athletic fields and golf courses around the world.

He has more than 20 years of experience in the science of turf grass, and has helped design and grow playing field grass for the Olympic Games and World Cup soccer.

For the past seven years, as **Briggs & Stratton Corporation's** Yard Doctor, Rogers has helped homeowners across the country achieve beautiful lawns through personal visits, professional appearances and responding to questions via his Web site, www.yarddoctor.com.

In the book, Rogers explains how to master the well-manicured look in all climates, from basic site preparation to mowing, fertilizing, irrigating, and safe and effective pet management.

Trio of new gadgets answers different calls

Food markets have evolved into specialized gourmet markets, including several varieties of pizza. Papa Joe's Gourmet Market and Catering opened its doors earlier this spring at

ver the past couple of weeks I've had a chance to try out three nifty new gadgets: a smartphone, a pair of headphones, and a nifty cable kit for connecting

bare hard drives to your PC. Let's start with the phone: the \$295 Helio Ocean (helio. com). It's a dual-personality handset, sliding up to reveal a numeric keypad or sideways for a QWERTY keyboard. You'll use the latter a lot,

Tech Savvy

as the Ocean offers some of the best e-mail and instant-**Rick Broida** messaging capabilities I've seen on any phone. It also sports a GPS

receiver (which couples with Google Maps for excellent navigation), a 2-megapixel

camera, and nifty Web-search features: Just slide open the keyboard and start typing your search query. There's no need to run a separate application or load the browser manually.

The Ocean also covers all the multimedia bases with aplomb: music, video, games, and a microSD slot for expanding the respectable 200MB of internal storage.

It's a bit bulky, though smaller than its main competitor, the Sidekick ID (which does cost considerably less at \$99.99).

Price and size notwithstanding, I really like this phone. It's an excellent communicator, a versatile entertainer and, with its dual-sliding razzle-dazzle, a serious conversation-starter.

MAKING THE CONNECTION

My cousin Rachel, of Huntington Woods,

recently upgraded from a years-old desktop computer to a shiny new notebook - a common move these days, now that notebooks are so affordable (see my May 24 column for three sub-\$1,000 examples).

Of course, the challenge in any computer migration is moving data from old machine to new. I arrived with one of my favorite tools in hand: the NewerTech USB 2.0 Universal Drive Adapter (newertech.com).

This inexpensive kit (\$24.95) connects any IDE or SATA hard drive (like the kind that came out of Rachel's desktop) to a USB port, effectively turning it into an external hard drive.

Thus it was a simple matter to copy my cousin's iTunes library, Excel documents and other files to the new machine. The kit

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## Shadowboxes add zest, personal touch to decor

Time was when Grandma made a cute little shadowbox of dried flowers and hung it on the wall for what seemed like forever.

Now home and business owners alike are adding zest and a bit of a personal touch to their decor with custom designed shadowboxes and framing, using everything from sports collectibles to personal awards to vacation mementos

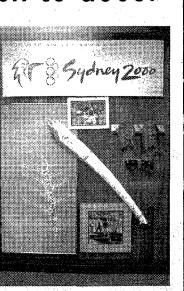
These aren't Grandma's shadowboxes.

"I've seen just about everything in shadowboxes and custom framing," said Jill Haury, owner of The Great Frame Up, 215 Peabody in downtown Birmingham.

"There isn't much that we can't frame or design into a stunning shadowbox display -- the only limitation is the customer's imagination."

One of Haury's recent creations is a display featuring a real Olympic torch from the 2000 Olympics in Australia.

Another was for a former pro athlete that included a full-size basketball net, an official NBA basketball that was cut in half, awards and basketball cards, all jux-



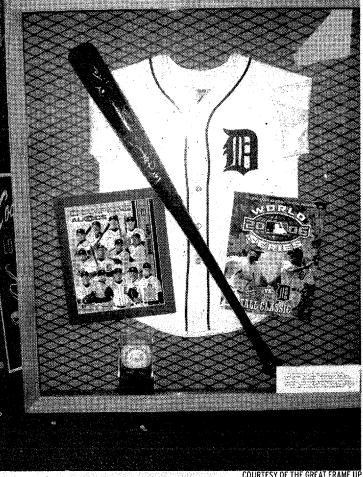
COURTESY OF THE GREAT FRAME

A display featuring a real Olympic torch from the 2000 Olympics is one of the recent custom works by The Great Frame Up in Birmingham.

taposed on a background designed to look like an NBA basketball court.

A family found old medals. photos and awards from their grandfather, who had served in the French military, and brought in the items for custom framing.

And another creation was for stretching oil paintings



Custom designed shadowboxes and framing by The Great Frame Up in Birmingham can feature almost anything, including sports collectibles, personal awards and vacation mementos.

from South Africa worth \$1 million.

Haury's business has a custom in-house frame and wood shop that enables jobs to be completed in sometimes as little as two hours.

Haury and her staff also offer reframing services, and will go to businesses and homes to hang art after it is done. Call (248) 540-2555 or visit www.birmingham@ thegreatframeup.com.

## Special events mark IKEA Canton anniversary

IKEA has announced events to celebrate the one-year anniversary of its Canton store.

IKEA Canton is at 41640 Ford. Were you at IKEA Canton on June 7, 2006?

On Thursday, June 7, at IKEA Canton, show your receipt from June 7 of last year, and get 10 percent off your purchase on June 7 of this year. (In stock merchandise only. Not valid on services, IKEA Restaurant, Bistro or Swedish Food Market.) The receipt will be marked to ensure one-time use.

If you were born on June 7 of any year, and you can prove it in the form of a valid driver's license or official birth certificate, you can eat free in the IKEA Canton Restaurant on June 7, 2007. (Free entree up to \$5.99.)

Radio Disney will host a Birthday Blow

Were you at IKEA Canton on June 7, 2006? On Thursday, June 7, at IKEA Canton, show vour receipt from June 7 of last year, and get 10 percent off your purchase on June 7 of this year. (In stock merchandise only. Not valid on services, IKEA Restaurant, Bistro or Swedish Food Market.) The receipt will be

#### marked to ensure one-time use.

Out for IKEA Canton 6-8 p.m. June 7. The Radio Disney Road Crew will bring the fun with music, family games, and a

craft for youngsters. Visitors will have a chance to win presents, such as VIP seats to see KeKe Palmer

and T-Squad live when they appear for

tickets to see the Cheetah Girls in concert July 15.

in the IKEA store parking lot June 7. The lineup is:

musical talent

**Dance Ensemble** 

local musical talent TMoneyGreen.

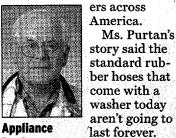
June 7-10, and enter to win a \$500 IKEA gift card each day. The drawing will be at 9 p.m. each day.

enter. (Some restrictions apply. See the store for complete rules.)

## Make your home's water lines safe

watched a television newscast a few weeks ago where Joanne Purtan showed a home severely damaged by a washing machine fill hose that had suddenly burst.

Congratulations to WXYZ Channel 7 for informing their viewers of a reoccurring problem that happens to many thousands of homeown-



The life span

of these hoses

is in the range

of five to eight

vears and

be the new shutoff valves installed by the plumbing industry. This valve is a lever that takes the pressure of one finger to shut off the water

ful in dictating policies.

An alternative to buying

new steel braided hoses can

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supply to the washer each time you're done with the wash. With this type of valve installed on your washer water lines, a rubber hose might last forever.

There are two other areas of the typical home that have a potential water damage problem caused by ruptured water lines. The first is the dishwasher, which also has a fill line under constant pressure. This isn't a huge problem because the plumbing industry must follow state codes in its installations, which ensures strong long-lasting fill lines.

The other is the water line leading to the refrigerator. Now this is a problem in possibly many millions of homes.

Strictly copper tubing should be used from the water supply line to the back of your refrigerator.

So many consumers have installed the little plastic lines that are available everywhere. I can guarantee you that these lines will break eventually.

They are heated by the air under the refrigerator and become very brittle. There is vibration to a refrigerator and this fact can snap a water line very easily.

It is hoped this doesn't happen while you are on vacation or away for any length of time.

The point of all this is to ask yourself one question: Where is the water going to go if ever I should have a leak on a water line leading to my major home appliances? Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can be heard on Talk Radio WAAM 1600 at 8 a.m. Saturdays. His phone number is (734) 971-1600, Ext. 28. E-mail your question to mklemic@hometownlife. com and it will be forwarded to Joe Gagnon.

The fourth annual Sylvan Lake Home

and Garden Tour will take place 10

a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 16.

The tour will include seven homes

with gardens, and three additional

gardens. Among the residences will

be a kit home used by the Purple

Prohibition. Shuttle buses will be

available. Musicians will perform in

Memorial Park. Tickets are \$10 for

\$15 tour day. They are available at

groups of 10 or more, \$12 in advance,

Sylvan Lake City Hall, La Rosa Market

and Detroit Garden Works. On the day

of the event, tickets will be sold in

front of city hall. For more informa-

2750, or visit www.sylvantour.com.

The Friends for the Development

of Greenmead will present its 18th

tion, call (248) 681-8624 or (248) 681-

Gang for bootlegging during

Svívan Lake

Livonia

Rhythm and Rhymes from the Heart, or

Live stage entertainment will take place

10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. -- Canton area

■ 1:30-3:30 p.m. -- Like Water Drum &

4-6 p.m. -- T-Turner
7-9 p.m. -- Detroit's own Mason
Radio hosting a radio program featuring Visit IKEA Canton Thursday-Sunday,

You must be 18 and a U.S. resident to

that's because they are under constant pressure, especially the hot water hose. In my life as a service technician, I witnessed many

Doctor

Joe Gagnon

times over the resulting damage of a burst washer fill hose. It certainly isn't a pretty

sight, and it can cause a lot of heartaches, but rest assured that there are preventative measures every homeowner can take.

They sell these steel braided hoses at appliance type stores and just about every hardware store in America. With this kind of availability, there is no excuse whatsoever that you should have the misfortune of a busted hose.

I know that shortly after this column appears in this great newspaper, someone will call me or e-mail a question such as, "Why don't the manufacturers put new braided hoses into their washers when they sell them?'

It's a good question but until they make me the CEO of the Whirlpool Corporation, I don't think it will ever happen.

It just might be that they sell many thousands of replacement hoses every year. creating a profit, and the almighty dollar can be power-

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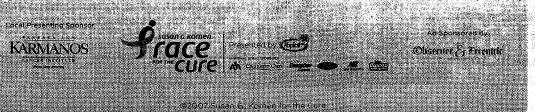
The sooner breast cancer is detected, the better the chance of treating it successfully. That's why screening is so important. Monthly breast selfexams, regular medical checkups and mammograms are all ways to improve your odds of finding breast cancer in its earliest stages. Find out more about how you can take your life into your own hands by visiting www.komen.org or calling 1-800 I'M AWARE.

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Franklin The Franklin Branch of the Woman's National Farm & Garden Association will present its 22nd annual Garden Walk 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 6-9 p.m. Wednesday, June 13.

In addition to the magnificent private gardens, the event will again include The Artful Garden, featuring artists working in the gardens. Also included will be the popular salad luncheon buffet and gazebo boutique of garden-related goods.

Tour tickets are \$10 pre-sale, \$12 the day of the event. On Wednesday, tickets will be sold at the Franklin Village Gazebo, on the west side of Franklin Road between 13 and 14 Mile, behind the police station.

Luncheon tickets are \$10. Seatings are at 11:30 a.m. and 12:45 p.m. at the Franklin Community Church. To pre-order tickets, visit the Franklin Village Boutique, 32716 Franklin Road, or send a self-addressed, stamped envelope with a check payable to W.N.F. & G.A. Franklin Branch to P.O. Box 250194, Franklin 48025-0194. Include your phone number and specify your preferred luncheon seating.

For more information, call (248) 851-1814, e-mail franklingardenclub@ yahoo.com or visit www.franklingardenclub.org. Proceeds support horticultural and environmental causes on the local. state and national levels. Lathrup Village

See the interiors of six of Lathrup

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worked like a charm; I highly recommend it.

#### **NOISE-CANCELING HEADPHONES**

My first piece of advice for any new owner of an iPod, Zune or other portable media player: Ditch the bundled headphones.

Most of the time they're cheap, uncomfortable, and unable to reproduce your music with the fidelity it deserves.

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#### **GARDEN WALK CALENDAR**

Village's most interesting homes and stroll through six beautiful private gardens on the Lathrup Village Home and Garden Tour, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 16. Several of Lathrup's demonstration rain gardens will be highlighted on the tour map for viewing. A garden boutique, at the gazebo in the park adjacent to the Municipal Building on Southfield Road, will offer plants and unusual garden accessories for sale. The Children's Garden will staff a garden cafe, selling refreshments as a fund-raiser. Volunteers from the Southeastern **Oakland County Water Authority will** staff display tables with information on rain garden design and installation, tree and flower selection, composting, garden maintenance and lawn care. Master gardener volunteers will be in the gardens and the boutique to answer questions and assist guests. Tickets are \$12 in advance, \$15 the day of the event, \$8 for seniors. Ticket vouchers are at the Lathrup Village City Offices, 27400 Southfield Road, three blocks north of I-696, between 11 and 12 Mile. For ticket information, call Susan Arneson at (248) 443-1703 or Marjory Miller at (248) 569-7973. This year's tour is the 10th cosponsored by the Lathrup Village Historical Society and the Village Gardeneers. Proceeds support beautification projects throughout Lathrup Village.

Harmony (ableplanet.com) **Noise Canceling Headphones** fit over your ears and employ "active technology" to minimize outside noise. They also

sound exquisite. Because I didn't have any flights scheduled, I tested these large, slightly heavy, battery-powered headphones against my ridiculously noisy lawnmower.

It passed with flying colors: I was able to hear my music loud and clear while keeping my Zune at just half its maximum volume - good news for my eardrums.

Make no mistake: I could still hear the mower, but it was a lot less deafening.

annual Garden Walk 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 23. Seven lovely gardens and yards of homes throughout Livonia will be available for viewing. All proceeds benefit the restoration and preservation of Greenmead Historical Village. Tickets are \$9 in advance, \$10 the day of the event. They are available from committee members and at any Livonia library, the Civic Center Library Gift Shop, the Greenmead

office, and the Department of Community resources on the fifth floor of Livonia City Hall at Farmington and Five Mile.Call (734) 466-2540 or (734) 425-4855.

In a quiet room, the Clear Harmony delivers rich, detailed sound - which it should, given its \$299 price tag

I know that's steep, but if you want to enjoy your music to the fullest and while reducing outside noise, consider these fantastic phones.

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 Powered Device, Sixth Edition. He welcomes questions sent to rick.broida@ amail.com.



Many markets have expanded deli and food takeout sections in recent years.

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graduate, who instructs cooking classes at the markets in Farmington Hills, Livonia and Northville. Westborn Market recently expanded its Royal Oak location.

The formula is pretty simple - consumers are demanding more and the literal marketplace is responding.

"There's two big trends health conscious eating, and we're combining that with quality," said Justin Jaymes, specialty foods director at Papa Joe's Gourmetrion. "For our customers, food is an important part of their life."

"Everything we carry has to be outstanding."

Just look on the pasta sauce shelves: not only are Papa Joe's and Romero's sauces available (both are in-house sauces) but there's sauces from Andiamo's and Restaurante Cafe Cortina, two of the best in town.

Ken Kozma, who grew up in Livonia and studied culinary arts at Oakland Community College, works with his wife at Papa Joe's.

Kozma compares his personal family situation (both husband and wife working) to those of other families. Hence the appeal of "gourmet to go."

"Most households are twoincome households," Kozma said. "People don't have time (to cook their own meals). Both have to work. The last thing we want to do is go home and cook dinner."

Some chefs actually may prefer working at a market than a restaurant.

"It's a good work environ-



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#### Rebecca Miller, Meal Solutions Chef at Bush's Market in Livonia, puts together a Mandarin Chicken Salad.

ment," Konowalow said. "You're not tied to a deadline, and not tied as a 'cook to order.' You work with a menu where you can plan for a week or a month, and adjust it seasonally, knowing what the store's history is in terms of business and what sells."

And the chefs use the produce and products that are available in the market, too, thus promoting a special or a seasonal fruit or vegetable. "They have a good product on hand, and it's smart from their end of it," Konowalow said. "It brings a lot of attention to the (market's) restaurant. When you do good over the counter food, it also bring in more catering business.

"It's really a natural extension," Konowalow said. "People have so little time, that they don't even have time to go out and sit down at a restaurant. They just go out, take it home and reheat it."

## Rising from garage wine to global renown

reat California pinot noir is a rather recent phenomenon. That's hard to believe, since there are now so many great California pinots grown from the Sonoma Coast to Santa Barbara County. The reason it took some time

to create great pinots is that most winemakers had no experience with the delicate personality of the pinot noir grape. Basically, they

Focus on WineBasically, they<br/>treated pinotRay & Eleanor<br/>Healdnoir like cab-<br/>ernet sauvi-<br/>gnon, a variety

that does not require a lot of TLC. Advent of what we know today as great pinot noir began in a garage in Sonoma County's Russian River Valley. There, 25 years ago, Burt Williams and Ed Selvem started it all. For their Williams Selyem wines, they purchased outstanding fruit from the best growers, harvested it by hand when it was physiologically mature, fermented it in small, stainless steel, open top dairy tanks, punched it down by hand and never used a filter or pump.

#### WORLD CLASS

Selyem said in spring 1994 in Williams Selyem's newsletter: "Burt's desire is to make a world class wine and mine to create a successful business from local agriculture." Yet, it didn't mat-

#### **Cancer Prevention and Survival**

Cooking classes with chef Shawna Broida, 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays, through June 20; Whole Foods Market, 7350 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, sponsored by the The Cancer Project. To register, call Renee Mahon at (248) 538-4600, for information, visit www.CancerProject.org, (202) 244-5038. Great Lakes Wine Event

OCC's Culinary Studies Institute presents its annual event featuring 800 wines from 90 wineries, food from several restaurants and country clubs, 6 p.m. June 7, at the Orchard Ridge Campus in Farmington Hills. Entertainment by Sheila Landis Trio. Tickets

#### **HOME CALENDAR**

#### Home decor

Haberman Fabrics, 905 S. Main in Royal Oak, offers a variety of home

WINE PICKS Barbecued meats, especially baby back ribs, take to Zinfandel. Try these: 2003 Pietra Santa Cienega Valley \$15 2005 Rosenblum North Coast \$18 2005 Rosenblum San Francisco Bay \$18 2005 Dashe Dry Creek Valley \$22 2004 Napa Cellars Napa Valley S23 2004 Sbragia Gino's Vineyard S28 2004 Dashe Todd Brothers Vineyard \$28 2004 Dashe Louvau Vineyard Old Vines \$28 2005 Wilson Dry Creek Valley Sawyer Vineyard Zinfandel \$32 2005 Wilson Dry Creek Valley Tori Vineyard Zinfandel \$32 2004 Paraduxx (65 percent zin) \$45 · more cabernet like than zin but a very lovely wine. If a retailer does not stock a specific wine we recommend,

ask that it be ordered from the distributor, or if it's a domestic wine, order it directly from the winery.

ter how good the wine was, if they couldn't sell it, they were out of business.

Marketing aid appeared in the name of Robert Parker, who tasted the wines, loved them and wrote glowing reports in his *Wine Advocate*. Williams Selyem was "Parkerized" and every wine aficionado wanted the wine.

In 1998, John Dyson, a winery owner from New York State, purchased Williams Selvem and began to increase production. You can imagine what consumers thought - Dyson will run Williams Selyem into the ground. That didn't happen. Why? At least in part, because Dyson hired Bob Cabral as winemaker. Cabral is still work ing with the same growers as Burt and Ed and making some of the best that California offers from the Russian River Valley as well as the Sonoma Coast and Central Coast.

#### WHAT TO BUY FROM WILLIAMS SELYEM 2005 VINTAGE

Russian River Valley Pinot Noir \$42. Grapes for this wine are grown on Drake Vineyard near Guerneville, only a few miles from the Pacific Ocean. There, days are warm, but the nights are cool and frequently foggy. Significant diurnal temperature difference helps retain the wine's crisp acidity. Highlighted by aromas and flavors of plums, ripe berries and spice, it's the broad palate and finesseful finish that make this a delicious pinot noir.

Sonoma County Pinot Noir \$34. Great pinots often exhibit earthy aromas, dried rose petals and smoked meats that we find so attractive. This wine has those attributes and more. Flavors emphasize dark cherries

and red raspberries while finishing with dried rosemary and oregano spice notes.

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Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir \$39. Growing grapes on the Sonoma Coast takes determination and patience. The rugged coastline is beautiful, but it may take five hours to drive from the Russian River Valley to a Sonoma Coast vineyard. This is a sexy wine with aromas of wild berries, brown spice and pepper. Flavors include a note of grilled toast, coffee and caramelized sugar, balanced by integrated tannins and a lengthy finish.

Central Coast Pinot Noir \$31. Grapes for this wine are grown in San Benito County, west of Monterey on the east side of California's Gavilan Mountains. Transverse mountain ranges direct a marine influence into the vinevard from the Pacific Ocean. The wine carries an attractive mineral note from the concentration of limestone in the soils. Aromas highlight bright cherry, dried rose petals and spice, while the palate boasts mushroom notes with cherries and anise.

Westside Road Neighbors Pinot Noir \$65. Some of the Russian River Valley's greatest vineyards are neighbors to the Williams Selyem winery. Eleanor & Ray Heald are contributing editors for the internationally respected Quarterly Review of Wines and Troy residents who write about wine, spirits, and restaurants for the Observer S Eccentric Newspapers. Contact them by e-mail at focusonwine@aol.com.

#### FOOD CALENDAR

\$45, with proceeds going toward scholarships, and travel funds for a national competition. Call (248) 522-3700, or visit www.oaklandcc.edu/culinary. **The Community House** 

Attend Summer Whites on the Terrace, a series of summer wine tasting classes, taught by sommelier Nidal Daher, and Marc Jonna, including Sauvignon Blancs From Around the World, 7:30 p.m. June 7; ABC (Anything But Chardonnay), June 14; Mediterranean Region Wines, June 21; All American Wines, June 27; The Community House, 380 S. Bates, Birmingham, (248) 644-5832, www.communityhouse.com.

#### **Vinology Wine Classes**

Vinology continues its series of classes about wine with Wines of Italy, June 20; and Wines of France, July 18. Classes are \$55 individually. Vinology, 110 S. Main in Ann Arbor, is a wine bar and restaurant owned by the Jonna family. Call (734) 222-9841 for reservations or more information.

If you have an item for the food calendar, please submit it at least two weeks prior to your event to Ken Abramczyk, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009, e-mail kabramcz@hometownlife.com, or fax (734) 591-7279.

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#### ASPARAGUS WITH LEMON FETTUCCINE, MARSALA WINE SCENTED MASCARPONE CREAM

1 pound peeled asparagus, cut into 1 inch, on the diagonal, blanched 1 tablespoon roasted garlic, smashed 4 ounces toasted pine nuts 4 ounces unsalted butter 3 ounces Dry Marsala au sec 32 ounces heavy cream, reduce ½ 2 teaspoons chiffonade mint Fresh ground black pepper, to taste Sea salt, to taste 2 ounces Marscapone cheese

Heat butter in sauce pan, add garlic, melt. Then add Marsala au sec, ½ reduced cream, salt and pepper to taste. Add asparagus, pine nuts and mint. Then add pasta (see recipe below) to mixture and plate. Top with a dollop of mascarpone.

LEMON ZEST FRESH PASTA

12 large whole eggs 1 pound semolina Touch of water (if needed) 4 teaspoons lemon zest

Mix flour. Make a well, and mix other ingredients. Knead until smooth. Let dough rest and keep covered for 30 minutes. Run dough through pasta machine, then cut into Fettuccine strips. Dust with Semolina, then cook pasta al dente in salted water.

QUICK SAUTE OF MICRO ASPARAGUS, FRESH MORELS ON FINGER POTATO GALETTE WITH WATERCRESS CHANTILLY CREAM RED SHALLOTS CUT JULIANNE (FINE)

4 ounces micro asparagus, cut 1-inch length-wise

4 ounces fresh morels (split and check for foreign matter)

4 ounces unsalted butter, melted

White sea salt, to taste

- 1 teaspoon Hawaiian black sea salt Fresh ground black pepper, to taste
- 4 ounces heavy cream, whipped stiff
- 2 ounces fresh watercress, puree
- 1 ounce dry sherry au sec
- 6 to 8 finger potatoes, sliced thin

2 ounces Parmagiana, freshly grated 1 teaspoon fresh tarragon leaves

Brush non stick pan with butter. Add sliced potatoes, then overlap. Season with salt and pepper. Cook on one side until browned. Flip and continue until browned. Sprinkle with Parmagiana Reserve warm.

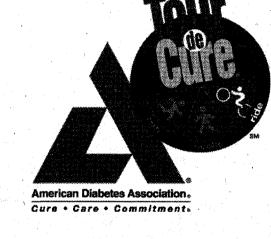
Heat saute pan, add remaining butter and saute shallots. Add morels and cook. Add sherry wine reduced to one ounce. Add tarragon and asparagus and quickly saute. Plate potatoes and top with asparagus mixture. Mix watercress with cream and add dollop of cream and watercress mixture to top and sprinkle with black salt. Recipes courtesy of William Hall, executive chef of Papa Joe's Gourmet Market. decor classes for different sewing skill levels. Call (248) 541-0010, e-mail ContactUs@HabermanFabrics.com or visit www.HabermanFabrics.com. The schedule includes Art For Your Home I: Pillows, 5:45-8:45 p.m. Thursdays, June 7-21 (cost is \$60).

Father's Day giveaway Children visiting the Kids Castles in Art Van Furniture stores now to Sunday, June 17, will receive a special gift to give to Dad for Father's Day (while supplies last).

Kids Castles are supervised play areas for youngsters in select stores, including those in Southfield, Westland and Novi and on 14 Mile in Warren.

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







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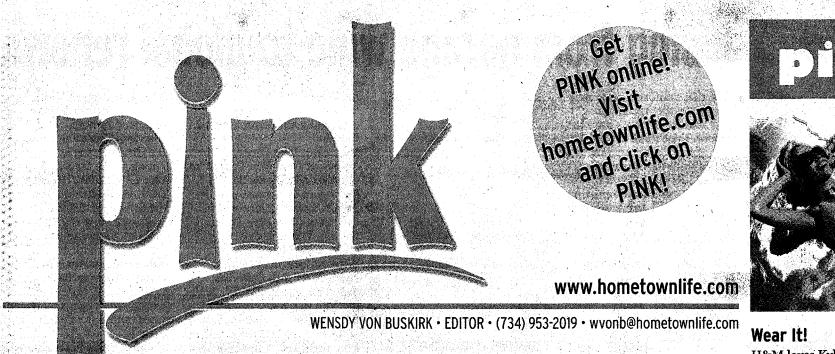
Saturday, June 16, 2007 Yankee Springs Recreation Area Middleville, MI



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## Shoes On the Down

Fabulous flats keep you off your toes

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Spring and summer are all about being laid back, so ditch the heels as you saunter into the season. When you need something a bit more formal than flip-flops, slip on a pair of fabulous flats. From patent leather to lace, flats are stylish - and comfortable - for every occasion. Here's a selection from Neiman Marcus that will keep your feet planted firmly on terra fashionista.

Add statement to your step with sparkle and color.



Make a point with retro stripes by Sergio Rossi.

Perk it up with Bettye Muller polka-dot peep-toes.



## pink picks



H&M loves Kylie beachwear at H&M (including the new location at Great Lakes Crossing!)

DON'T Wear It! Maternity-ish tops or dresses when you're not pregnant so no one will ask when you're expecting!

Tote It! Quilted Chanel tote

Kick It! Bernardo Must sandals at www.piperlime.com

**Click It!** www.redhatsandmore.com

Face It! Rodin + Fields Unblemish Oil Absorb Blot Papers with Zincocide

Hear It! Nelly Furtado June 11 at the Detroit Opera House

See It! Knocked Up DVD It! Pan's Labyrinth

**TiVo It!** Models NYC

Eat It! **Tempeh stir-frys** 

> Drink It! Dragonfruit Vitamin Water

Shop It! The new Lush Beauty Deli at Twelve Oaks Mall - yum!

Read It! A Thousand Splendid Suns by Khaled Hosseini

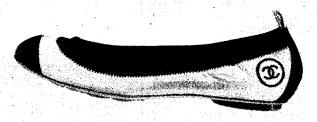
**Experience It!** Dream Catchers Gala at The Townsend Hotel on June 16



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Lace up romance in a pair by Stuart Weitzman.

Look like a gem in flats by Pedro Garcia.

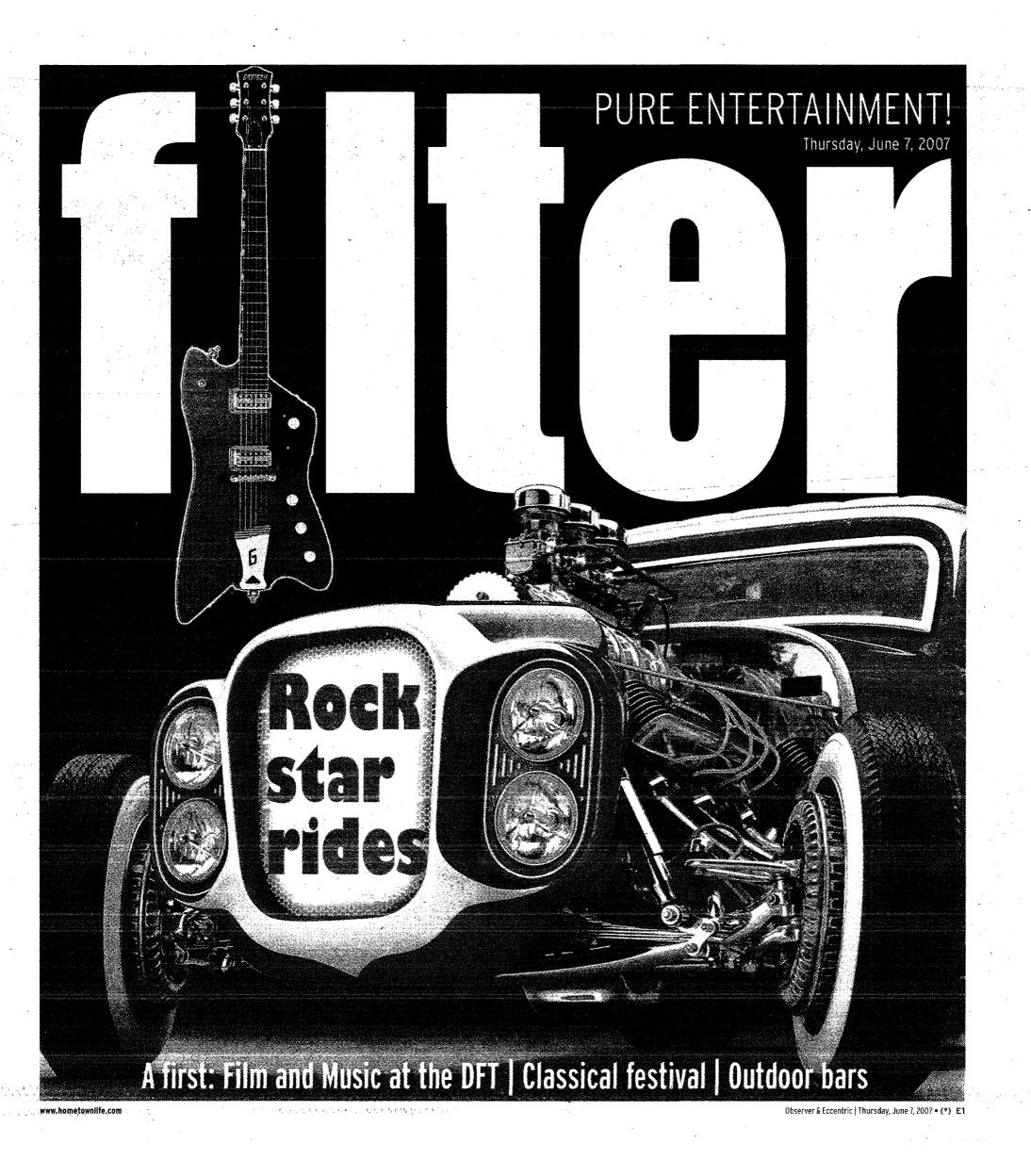


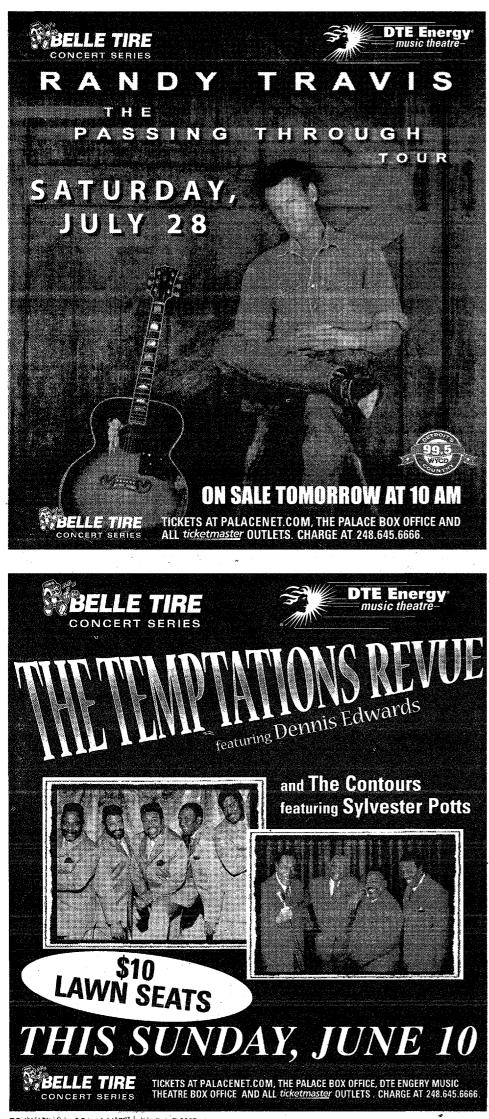
Get pretty in pink and patent leather by Chanel.

Safari Chic In preparation for the annual 'Sunset at the Zoo' gala June 15, event co-chairs look safari chic as they tour African Grasslands animal habitats at the Detroit Zoo. In keeping with this year's 'Out of Africa' theme, (from left) Melanie Duquesnel of Northville wears a freeflowing animal print blouse, while Lois Shaevsky of Bloomfield Hills dons a Missoni leopard-inspired skirt suit from Saks Fifth Avenue. Beverly Bantom of Farmington Hills looks stunning in a Jones New York shirt dress, accented by local designer Donna B's natural stone jewelry. About 2,000 guests are expected to don 'safari chic' apparel for Sunset at the Zoo. Held on zoo grounds 7-11:30 p.m. rain or shine, the event includes tastings from 40 local restaurants, entertainment, and a live auction. Tickets, \$125-\$500, benefit the Detroit Zoological Society. For more information or to purchase tickets, call (248) 541-5717, ext. 3750 or visit www.detroitzoo.org.









Fountains of Wayne

### Fountain's of Wayne names favorites

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Top Five

Fountains of Wayne gained a Grammy nomination for their 2003 album *Welcome Interstate Managers*. Now the power pop masters are on tour in support of their fourth studio release, *Traffic and Weather*. And from the road, bassist and songwriter Adam Schlesinger

shares his current five favorite:

#### RECORDS

1. I Can't Go On, I'll Go On by The Broken West "Sounds like a lost classic power-pop album, even though it's brand new. We're playing some dates with these guys, I'm excited."

2. Grand Animals by Robbers On High Street

"I've got an advance copy of this record since I'm such a music-biz insider. It's quirky and dark and melodic and moving."

3. Just Before Dark by Mike Viola

Detroiter joins Queens of the Stone Age

It's official. Detroit's own Dean Fertita has joined the revolving cast of characters supporting Josh Homme this summer as a touring member of Queens of the Stone Age.

Fertita, a talented songwriter and musician in his own right, has most recently been seen performing with Jack White and Brendan Benson in the Raconteurs. He's toured with Benson as a member of his Well-Fed Boys and is perhaps best known locally as the lead singer of The Waxwings. Though the band is now defunct, it's still revered as Detroit's answer to pure pop.

Queens of the Stone Age is set to

"Mike recorded this live solo record at LA's Cafe Largo in 2005. He's the most amazing singer and writer around... I don't know anyone else that could make a live album this good in one show."

4. Paul Simon by Paul Simon "This is his first solo album. I just started listening to it again after not hearing it for many years. It still sounds great." 5. The Reminder by Feist

"I like the unique sound and the intimacy of this record a lot."

Hitch a ride with Stacy's Mom and catch Fountains of Wayne headlining with openers The Broken West, Schaeffer, 7:30 p.m., Monday, June 11, at St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Call (248) 645-6666 or visit www.ticketmaster.com.

Compiled by Stephanie A. Casola



Queens of the Stone Age

release a fifth full-length effort, titled *Era Vulgaris*. The album drops June 12 on Interscope Records, with a handful of European dates, and likely a U.S. tour, to follow.

The track listing for the new album includes the following:

- 1. Turning on the Screw
- 2. Sick, Sick, Sick

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#### **HOT TICKET -3**

The Detroit Institute of Arts may be closed for renovation, but its Detroit Film Theatre will host the museum's firstever Film and Music Festival from June 9 to July 29.

#### **MUSIC - 4**

With the July 10 release of its second full-length album, "Compass Rose Bouquet." the Ann Arbor-based Great Lakes Myth Society effortlessly blends gothic folk and sunshine DOD.

#### CLASSICAL - 5

The Great Lakes Music Festival celebrates Ludwig von Beethoven and Leon Kirchner June 9-24 at several local venues, including churches and a temple.

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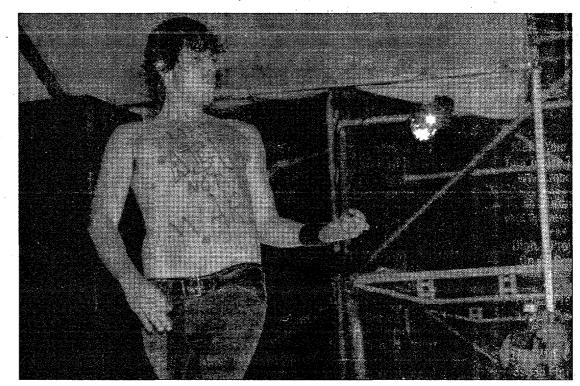
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### movies Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays.

nights, the DFT comes alive with performances by world-class musicians.

Wilhelm called the festival an example of "necessity as the mother of invention." With the galleries closing for re-installation, it seemed a perfect way to keep the public in contact with the museum, as the long renovation period draws to a close.

"A year-round program is something we will be implementing,"



"Air Guitar Nation" is one of the films playing at the Detroit Film Theatre's Summer Film and Music Fest.

## DIA hosts its first summer music and film fest

**BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA** STAFE WRITER

While the doors of the Detroit Institute of Arts may be closed for renovation, its Detroit Film Theatre will still usher in summer crowds for the museum's first-ever Film and Music Festival.

We thought everyone deserves a summer vacation," said Elliot Wilhelm, curator of the

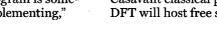
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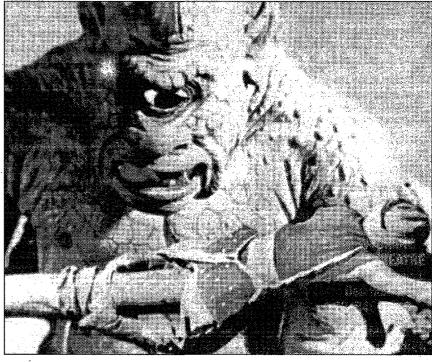


movies?" From June 9 to July 29, the museum's historic theater auditorium will be

Movie-goers can catch first-run

Monster movie double features are set for Saturday afternoons. Friday





See "The Seventh Voyage of Sinbad" during this summer's Monster Movie Matinees at the DFT

Wilhelm said, Rather than opening the theater for a fall and spring season each year, a newly expanded program will allow the DFT to show more films and do so in a timely manner.

On opening weekend, curious visitors may tour the newly renovated auditorium and catch a demonstration of the theater's original 1927 Casavant classical pipe organ. The DFT will host free showings of Lotte

Reiniger's feature-length 1926 shadow animated film, The Adventures of Prince Achmed, complete with live musical accompaniment. See the film at 4 p.m. or 7 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, June 9-10.

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# **Great Lakes Myth Society's legend continues**

**BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA** STAFF WRITER

Some musicians have a way of marking time and evoking a sense of place with such detail

that listeners can't help but delve right into that world.

Right here, right now, Music Great Lakes Myth Society is that band. With the July

10 release of its second fulllength album, Compass Rose Bouquet, the Ann Arbor-based band will solidify its reputation for effortlessly blending gothic folk and sunshine pop

For us, this is as top-down convertible as you're going to get," said Scott McClintock, bassist and a West Bloomfield native. Fans are invited to celebrate the CD's release June 9, at Detroit's Magic Stick.

In 2003, Great Lakes Myth Society formed from the ashes of another Ann Arbor musical tour de force - the Original Brothers and Sisters of Love. When its Brooklyn-based label The Telegraph Company financially collapsed, the band was left with an album

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**GREAT LAKES MYTH SOCIETY** 

What: Celebrate the upcoming release of their sophomore album 'Compass Rose Bouquet.' **Openers American Mars, Chris** Bathgate.

When: 9 p.m. June 9 Where: The Magic Stick, 4120 Woodward Ave., Detroit Tickets: \$8, visit www.majesticdetroit.com

full of new mate-

So members Timothy Monger, James Monger, Gregory McIntosh, Fido Kennington and McClintock had to regroup. "We had no intention of letting it go," McClintock said. Instead, the longtime friends and bandmates saw it as "a golden opportunity to re-invent

From the start, Great Lakes Myth Society managed to retain its fan base and kept gaining ground. It took just weeks for the band to break into the CMJ Top 200 chart and earn wide-



#### **Great Lakes Myth Society**

spread attention on CNN and NPR's All **Things** Considered.

The musicians maintained their grandiose experimentation while in the studio, but transformed live performances into more of a rock show. Touring was less cumbersome with fewer musicians and fewer instruments.

Great Lakes Myth Society is known for its knack for irony, descriptive storytelling and unexpected twists and turns in both music and lyrics. Compass Rose Bouquet manages to retain all that fervor - and then some.

Songs like Days of Apple Pie recall the slow-building pace developed in the Original Brothers and Sisters of Love era, while Nightfall at Electric Park evokes '80s pop icons like Duran Duran.

"On this record we embraced a little more spring," McClintock said.

When they began recording the album, he wasn't convinced that these songs would form a cohesive record. The key was in the sequencing. "Somehow we make it all work," McClintock said. And it does work.

This is the band's second effort, but first released on the Ann Arbor-based label Quack!Media. Great Lakes Myth Society names a broad range of influences, from Electric Light Orchestra to Brit pop, in its creation.

But the band's music is entirely its own. Having known one another for more than a decade, McClintock said, "At this point even if we tried, we couldn't not sound like us."

The musicians carved their niche, a blend of campfire stories, folk rock and gleeful melodies. "We've moved a little beyond the influences and embraced the stuff we play on our record players at home," McClintock said.

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And, don't forget the DIA's grand opening coming in November! Visit dia.org for more information.

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rial and no one to promote it. At the same time. violinist Elisabeth

Auchinvole moved to Toronto.

# Leon Kirchner, Beethoven highlighted at music festival

#### BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER

The Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival features the works of two composers who were separated by almost 200 years.

Ludwig von Beethoven and Leon Kirchner shared a desire

to create music both noble and sublime, according to Classical organizers of the

annual festival. It's a broad range of music between the two composers, said

Maury Okur, executive director of the festival. "We're trying to bring world-class musicians to do a broad repertoire," said Okur.

"You may hear a string quartets, but we'll bring in a sextet or a duo. It gives us much more flexibility in programming."

More than 20 concerts will be presented in southeastern Michigan June 9-20, A secular event, the festival is sponsored by three religious institutions (representing Catholic, Jewish and Protestant faiths) and the Detroit Chamber Winds



Andres Dlaz returns to this year's Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival. He will perform June 14 and 15 at the Kirk in the Hills Refectory all four of his string quarterts in Bloomfield Hills.

& Strings, a prominent musical ensemble that also administers the festival.

Okur says the festival promotes Chamber music and unity in the community. "It gives us a great access and a family feeling we like to maintain and nurture.

What you find is the intimacy there between the musician and audience. The musicians are encouraged to talk at the intermission and after the concert with the audience."

"Beethoven Chamber music is spec-

tacular. We're having Beethoven solo, duo, trio, quartet, quintet and octet.

The decision to bring Leon Kirchner originated from pianist Jeremy Denk, Okur said. "We asked if you could pick

an artist, who would it be, and he said, 'Leon Kirchner.'" Okur said. The final decision of which composers to highlight rests with artistic director James Tocco. Kirschner celebrates his 88th birthday this year with performances across the United States. He will be present to hear performed by the Orion String Quartet.

Pianists Ann Schein and Ann-Marie McDermott, and piano quartet Opus One will appear for the first time at the festival. Many performers are returning including Chee-Yun (violin), Ida Kavafian (violin), Yehonatan Berick (violin), Wu Han (piano), Paul Katz (cello) and Andres Diaz (cello).

The festival is also proud of The **Catherine Filene Shouse Chamber Music** Institute, which brings young chamber ensembles that are emerging to professional status for two weeks of perform-

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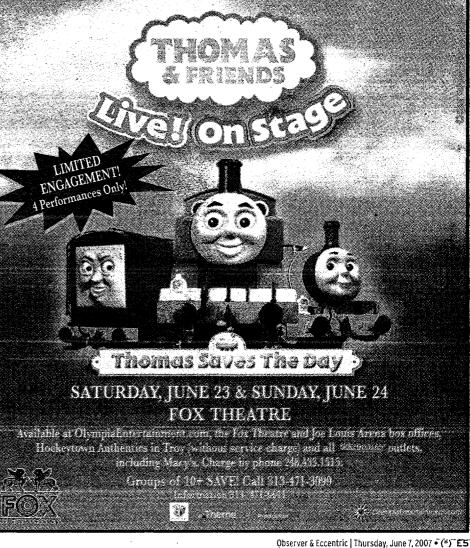
Where: Several locations, including St. Hugo of the Hills Catholic Church, 2215 Opdyke Rd., Bloomfield Hills: Temple Beth El, 7400 Telegraph, Bloomfield Hills: Kirk in the Hills Presbyterian Church, 1340 W. Long Lake Rd., Bloomfield Hills; The Seligman Family Performing Arts Center, Detroit Country Day School, 22305 W. 13 Mile Rd., Beverly Hills, and The Music Box at the Max M. Fisher Music Center, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Check www.greatlakeschambermusic.com for concert dates, tickets and other locations. Tickets: \$35 for Saturday night concerts, \$30 for other concert times, \$10 for those 25 and under.

For information, call the festival office at (248) 559-2097.

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ing and coaching with festival artists. Ensembles selected for this year's festival are the Ardeo Quartet, the Escher Quartet (sponsored in memory of Carrie Dobson Boensch), Trio Lunaire and the Westhuizen Duo.





# Museum is ready to rock, ride

#### BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA STAFF WRITER

This month, The Henry Ford blends two of the Motor City's long-standing traditions into one hip new exhibit. It's all in the name of Detroit's hot cars and cool music.

On June 9, the Dearborn museum unveils Rock Stars' Cars & Guitars. The show was inspired by a similar, and quite popular, exhibit held at the Peterson Automotive Museum in Los Angeles, according to John Metz, director of historical resources, The Henry Ford. "After all, many of these cars

"After all, many of these cars provide an interesting look into the private lives of rock stars and the passions they have beyond their music," Metz said. "While the Peterson exhibit was not built to travel, we thought the concept was too interesting and fun not to share with our visitors."

More than 18 cars and numerous guitars will be on display, including John Lennon's 1965 Rolls Royce Phantom; a custom CadZZilla designed by Billy Gibbons of ZZ Top; and the 1932 Ford Hi-Boy Phaeton featured in the Van Halen video *Hot for Teacher*.

The exhibit was assembled from collections belonging to the Peterson Automotive Museum, Hard Rock Cafe, the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum and private lenders.

Rock Star's Cars & Guitars marks the

#### SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

story

The Henry Ford will present a Summer Concert Series to accompany its Rock Stars' Cars & Guitars exhibit. Don't miss the following events:

 Detroit native and legendary producer and musician Don Was will lecture on Music in the Motor City — A Personal Journey, at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 9, in the Anderson Theater of Henry Ford Museum. Event is free with museum admission.
 Bob Mould kicks off the concert series at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, July 12.

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   The Candy Band performs all-ages matinees at 11 a.m. and again at 1 p.m.
   Saturday, July 28. Event is free with museum admission.
  - Detroit's own Gore Gore Girls perform at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 9.
     The Offramps will close out the series at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 13.
    - For reservations and ticket information, call (313) 982-6001 or visit www.TheHenryFord.org.

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first time many of these vehicles have been shown together.

"Detroit is the birthplace of the American automobile industry and boasts a venerable rock and roll heritage," Metz said. "Many of the cars have Detroit connections that show how deep and rich the automotive and rock traditions really are.

"For example, Chili Catallo began customizing the Silver Sapphire (a 1932 Ford coupe) in Dearborn before taking it to California, where the Beach Boys chose to put the hot rod on their album, *Little Deuce Coupe.*"

In addition, some of the stars featured in the exhibit have ties to the city, including Detroit-area natives Madonna and Ted Nugent. According to Metz, other cars, like Sammy Hagar's Ford Roadster, "show lasting appeal of Motor City classics." Metallica's Kirk Hammett will display a guitar and his Chevy Camaro in the show.

The event runs until Sept. 30. The Henry Ford Museum is open from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Admission is \$14 for adults, \$13 for seniors and \$10 for youth. Members and children 4 and under are admitted free.

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> PETERSEN AUTOMOTIVE MUSEUM Elvis Presley owned this 1971 De Tomaso Pantera. It will be featured in the Rock Stars Cars & Guitars exhibit at the Henry Ford Museum, opening June 9.

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This "Billy-Bo" Gretsch Jupiter Thunderbird guitar will be

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on display at The Henry Ford. Billy Gibbons of ZZ Top custom made this guitar using Bo Diddley's original design.

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#### **DETROIT FILM THEATRE SUMMER** FESTIVAL

Get tickets: Purchase them the DIA Box Office or by phone at (313) 833-4005. First-run films: \$7.50 grants general admission Thursdays, Saturday nights and Sundays, or \$5 for DIA members, students and seniors.

Double-feature matinees: Cost \$5, or purchase a Matinee Monster Pass for \$25 to attend all seven Saturday matinees. Friday night concerts: Cost \$20 or \$16.50 for DIA members, students and seniors.

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like boys to sneak into a soccer stadium in the award-winning opener, Offside. Check out Air Guitar Nation, a documentary about the Air Guitar World Championships. Luc Besson's Angela-A is the latest visual spectacle by the director of such films as The Fifth Element. And Ten Canoes celebrates the art and tradition of storytelling in an aboriginal village.

Wilhelm said the film schedule was "designed with summer in mind." Movies will run at 7 p.m. Thursday, Saturday and Sunday, 9:30 p.m. Saturday and 4 p.m. Sunday.

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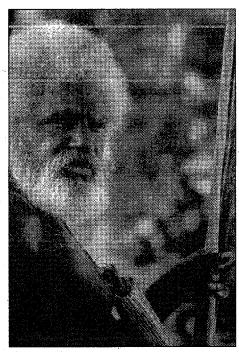
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added. As the Friday night live music events inside the Rivera Court are now affected by the closing, concerts will move into the auditorium.

The shows, beginning at 8 p.m., kick off June 15 with Grammy Award-winning guitarist Bill Frisell. Performers this summer will also include James Carter, virtuoso saxophone player and native Detroiter; Tom Verlaine, composer, singer and guitarist for the seminal rock group Television; and nine-time Grammy nomi-



"Brand upon the Brain" is showing at the Detroit Film Theatre this summer.

nee Meshell Ndegeocello, neo-soul singer and multi-instrumentalist.

Wilhelm said the concerts, and the festival overall, are bound to "expose the theater to a whole lot of people, and a lot of young people as well.

Feel like a family-friendly Saturday spook-fest? Get ready for three hours of monster movie classics. "That's how I grew to love the movies," said Wilhelm, reflecting on the Godzilla flicks from his own childhood.

This summer, the DFT showcases films that inspired the likes of Steven Spielberg and George Lucas. The double-features will include classics like It came from Beneath the Sea and Godzilla; Jason and the Argonauts and Battle in Outer Space; Mysterious Island and Godzilla vs. Megaguiru; and Earth vs. the Flying Saucers and Mothra. Shows start at 2 p.m.

"It really will have a festival feel to it," Wilhelm said of the summer activities at the DFT. "If it catches on, it will certainly be an annual event."

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### **Texas Smoke** Garden City restaurant fires up mesquite flavors

#### **BY KEN ABRAMCZYK** STAFF WRITER

Mesquite flavors bring out the best in beef, and tastes pretty good in seafood and poultry.

Tony Matar understands that. He's visited finer restaurants and followed old-fashioned methods of cooking with wood. "I'm in love with food, and I know what it takes to cook mesquite-flavored food," Matar said.

So he cooks over a mesquite flavored fire with coals that create a hearty and robust taste to meats. All the steaks, chicken and seafood is cooked over that fire.

That's the central theme of Texas Smoke Bar and Grill, the restaurant in Garden City that Matar owns. Opened in January, the restaurant seats over 200. "I wanted to have theme different from any other restaurant, and wanted to cook over mesquite charcoal," Matar said. "It gives it the best flavor in the world."

It's the best way to prepare it. It



gets that old-fashioned flavor out of the meat, chicken or seafood."

That gives flavor to the Texas Smoke specialties of Fajitas and BBQ Ribs, along with the Prime Rib (Friday and Saturday nights). Then there's the Fort Worth Ribeye and Texas T-Bone.

Another House specialty is the Texas Burger, flame-broiled halfpound burger with smoked bacon, cheddar cheese and barbecue sauce. Rounding out the specialties are Hand-tossed Pizza or the Chimichanga.

For appetizers, there's Texas Cheese Fries (seasoned fries

smothered in Texas-style chili covered in melted cheese and bacon topped off with jalapeno pepper slices) and Buffalo Wings, one pound of wings with Texas Smoke BBQ, Hot Buffalo, Fiery Buffalo, Honey Mustard or Teriyaki sauces. The Cowboy Combo gives a little taste of variety of the other menu items, namely two cheese sticks, two poppers, two ribs and two wings. Brew City Onion Rings are thick cut rings served with Texas bistro sauce.

Customers can order salads with grilled chicken, salmon or chicken tenders or the Caesar salad.

Burgers and sandwiches include the Blackened Prime Rib Sandwich, Sliders (three mini-cheeseburgers with grilled onions), Baked Calzone, Battered Cod Sandwich and the OK Corral Club.

There's even a Little Buckaroo's Menu with a choice of a burger,

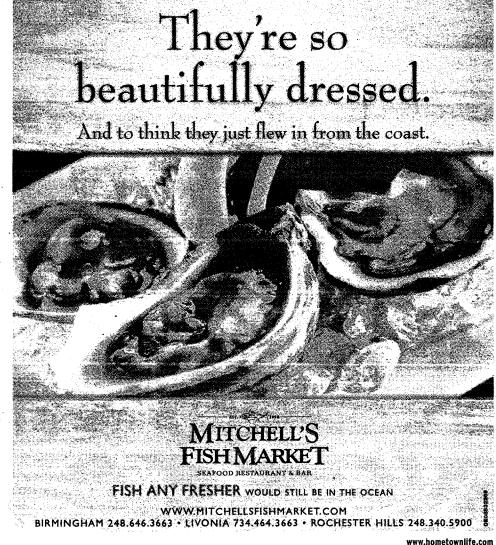
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Texas Smoke's features its signature ribs, brushed with a special barbecue sauce and char-grilled, with sauteed vegetables and seasoned steak fries.





#### TEXAS SMOKE BAR AND GRILL

28937 Warren Road Garden City (734) 421-1222

**Menu:** Barbecued foods, such as ribs, steak and chicken, prime rib also is a specialty. Appetizers, burgers, sandwiches, seafood, salads and pasta dishes also available.

Entertainment: 7-11 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Hours: Monday-Thursday 11 a.m.-10 p.m., Friday and Saturday 11-11 p.m. and Sunday noon-9 p.m. Bar: Yes.

Wine selection: Yes.

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pasta, chicken or macaroni and cheese with french fries and a soft drink for \$4.95.

For dessert Orange Creamsicle Cheesecake, Raspberry Cheesecake and Carrot Cake can top off the meal.

Matar says his restaurant is unique because the food is cooked over mesquite charcoal, and he also uses the best ingredients, buys the best meat, cuts steaks fresh and bakes fresh bread to be served with each entree.

So if you're in the mood for mesquite cooking, then plan a visit to Texas Smoke.

# White Horse Inn goes smoke-free

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For the past six years, Tim and Lisa Wilkins, owners of the historic White Horse Inn, have listened to the desires of patrons of the restaurant to have the 157-year-old establishment go smoke-free.

With consumers driving the decision, on May 18, the restaurant (which includes Miss Lucy's Tea Room and Parlor) went 100 percent smoke-free.

"Our smoke-free decision is a response to listening to our guests and staff who wanted to dine and work in a smoke-free environment," said Tim Wilkins. "Over the last six years, we have made great efforts to accommodate both non-smokers and smokers. But we found it impossible to accommodate both. Smoke-free businesses and work sites are a new healthy trend that we want to support for our guests and staff."

Tim also said that this was not a decision made without researching the smoke-free issue in the restaurant industry. Lisa and Tim are members of the Michigan Restaurant Association, and it is a common topic among members.

Research done in Michigan showed that nearly twothirds of Michigan registered voters polled in 2005 favor a new law creating smoke-free environments in all Michigan workplaces.

Eighty percent of Michigan voters also said they would be more likely or just as likely to patronize their favorite restaurants if they went smoke-free.

Tim said, "Also supporting our decision to go smoke-free is the fact that over the last six months most of our smoking tables have sat empty, while guests are waiting for non-smoking

tables. This decision just made good business sense." The White Horse Inn is located in downtown Metamora at 1 E. High Street. Its hours are 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday; and 11:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday. Phone (810)

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#### **Detroit Institute of Arts**

While the museum is closed for renovation, enjoy mini golf on the front lawn Wednesday-Sunday, Summer Music & Film Series June 9-July 29 in the Detroit Film Theatre, all at 5200 Woodward Ave., (313) 833-7900, www.dia.org. Flint Institute of Arts

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#### **ArtCraft Custom Framing**

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39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, (248) 645-3300, www.cranbrookart.edu. Hours 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. on the fourth Friday of each month. The museum is closed Monday-Tuesday and select holidays.

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Fiber & Glass Exhibit, Deborah Hyde of Lawrence Street Gallery and Jon Fitzpatrick of Touch of Light Studio and Gallerie, 194 W. Nepessing, Lapeer (810) 667-1495, www.gallery194.com Kresge Art Museum

Circus: The Art of the Strange & Curious, through July 27, museum is located at Physics and Auditorium roads on the campus of Michigan State University, East Lansing, (517) 355-7631, www.artmuseum. msu.edu.

#### **David Klein Gallery**

Bo Bartlett, Recent Paintings, through June 16, 163 Townsend, Birmingham (248) 433-3700, dkgallery.com Lemberg Gallery

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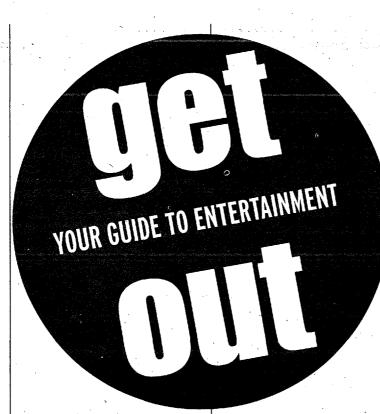
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Adult Art Camp, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. July 9-13, instruction in mixed media, painting with color, metals and ceramics, 1516 S Cranbrook (between 14 and 15 Mile roads), Birmingham, for details, visit BBArtCenter. org

#### **Orchard Lake Fine Arts Show**

Aug. 3-5, campus of Orchard Lake St. Mary's, 3535 Indian Trail (corner of Commerce and Orchard Lake roads), artists preview party, 6-9 p.m. Aug. 3, tickets \$25 at www.TicketWeb.com, free admission on Saturday and Sunday, www.HotWorks. com for information.

#### Who Arted?

Visual art.with Detroit's young artists, also Suicide Holiday performs, 8 p.m. June 7, The iLounge in Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac

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#### **CHORUS**

**Celebration Youth Orchestra** Auditions, 10:20 a.m.-7:45 p.m. June 15, 10:20 a.m.-12:15 p.m. June 16, Evola Music, 7170 N. Haggerty, Canton, must be sched-uled in advance, call (734) 451-2112.

#### CLASSICAL

Chamber Music at the Scarab Club Two to Four! with The Dearing Concert Duo, harpist Lynne Aspnes, harpsichord ist Bethany Cencer, Detroit Symphony Orchestra bassoonist Marcus Schoon, 7 p.m. June 3, 217 Farnsworth (behind the Detroit Institute of Arts), Detroit, \$10-\$20, (248) 474-8930, www.scarabclub.org/chambermusic

#### CLUBS

**Big Rock Chophouse** Outdoor patio now open 7:30 p.m. Thursday nights with Girls Night Out, June 7, 21 and 28; and Brian Macias, Eric Rowland and Eric Stoddard, June 14, July 12, Aug. 16; 245 S. Eton, Birmingham, (248) 647-7774 or visit www.bigrockchophouse.com. The Blind Pig

CD release party for Powertrane's Beyond the Sound with The Sights and The Muldoons, June 16, \$8-\$11, 208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Bosco

Enjoy noWax nights at 7 p.m. every Wednesday, no cover, 21 and over only, 22930 Woodward in Ferndale, www.thebosco.com, (248) 541-8818.

Eden Nightclub & Ultralounge Friday night party with DJ Ryan Richards,

10 p.m. guest celebrity hosts and DJs; DJ Urban Chris in the Garden Room, DJ Pannos in the Ultralounge accompanied by percussionist Jared Sykes, 10 p.m. Saturday, 22061 Woodward Ave, Ferndale (248) 541-7674.

#### 0-Zen Lounge

Formerly the Buddha Lounge; Hot 'N Ready with DJ U.N.I. hip hop soul, Thursday; Insomnia Music, hip hop, soul, old school, Friday; Super Sonic Smooth Music with DJ Shug, Saturday; karaoke with Chez, Sunday; '80s and Rock N Roll; bring your CDs, Tuesday; and Energetic House with DJ Tony Bell, Wednesday; www.ozenlounge. com, 21633 W. Eight Mile, Detroit (313) 535-4664. Cliff Bells

Scott Gwinnell and his 16-piece jazz orchestra, 9:30 p.m. every Wednesday, 2030 Park (near Comerica Park), Detroit (313) 961-2543.

#### 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. The Magic Bag

lan Hunter, June 8; Buckwheat Zydeco, June 10, all at 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale, call (248) 544-3030 or visit www. themagicbag.com.

#### Main Street Billiards DJ Matt Fox, June 8-9, 15-16, 215 S. Main,

Rochester (248) 652-8441, www.mainstreetbilliards.net O'Mara's

Blackthorn, 9:30 p.m. June 8, 19, at 12 Mile

and Coolidge, in Berkley, call 48-399-6750 or visit www.blackthorn1.com. **Seldom Blues** 

Big Band Wednesdays-with Johnny Trudell and his 18-piece band, 7-11 p.m., playing a mix of jazz favorites, located in Tower 400, Level 1 of the GM Renaissance Center next to the Marriott, call (313) 567-7301. Sky Club

Tango, salsa, and Latin dancing every Wednesday beginning at 8 p.m., located above SangriaŐs Restaurant, 401 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak, (248) 543-1964. Station 885

Tony Ruda and Pat Smith play jazz from 7-10 p.m. every Thursday (bass and piano), 885 Starkweather, Plymouth, (734) 459-0885.

#### COMEDY

#### Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase

Steve Sabo, June 8-9; Billy Ray Bauer, June 15-16; Mike Armstrong, June 21-23; Mark Knope, June 29-30; all at 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor, (734) 996-9080. **Civic Theater** 

Improv-Ability features spontaneous comedy from up-and coming and veteran improvisers like Simply Coney, Left of Center, and Group Date, Shows 8 p.m. Thursdays in June, at 33332 Grand River, Farmington, \$10, call (248)546-9315. JD's House of Comedy

Stand-up shows, 8 p.m. Thursday and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday; Apollo amateur night, 8 p.m. Wednesday; 25333 W. 12 Mile, inside Star Theatre complex, Southfield, (248) 348-2420 or www.ticketmaster.com

Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle

Kelly Taylor, June 7-9; Pat Godwin, June 14-16; Lamont Ferguson, June 21-23; Steve Hofstetter, June 28-30, 269 E. Fourth, Royal Oak (248) 542-9900. Liberty Bar and Grille

Norm Stulz with Steve Lind, June 8, Liberty Golf and Banquet Hall, 6060 Maybee, Clarkston, (248) 625-4660. Detroit Opera House

Dennis Miller, June 28, performance is benefit for JVS, a nonprofit human service agency, \$45-\$500, available at the

Detroit Opera House box office and at all Ticketmaster outlets, including Macy's, to purchase tickets contact 248-645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com, VIP tickets avail-able through JVS (248) 233-4225, www. ivsdet.ora.

#### The Second City

Michigan Impossible: All Laid Off & No Place to Go, 42705 Grand River Avenue in Novi, (248) 348-4448, www.secondcity. com; Register now for Adult classes, \$200 for an 8-week course, call (248) 348-4448. Class sizes are limited, and registration is processed on a first-come, first-serve basis.

#### DANCE

Dancing in Summer Dancing in Summer will showcase works by Lourdes Bastos, Megan Marie Brunke, Heather Glidden, Erika Hassan, Aimee McDonald-Anderson, Beth Wielinski, and Suzaane Willets-Brooks. June 27 through

July 1, Performance Network Theatre, 120 E. Huron, Ann Arbor, Tickets \$17-\$25, call (734) 663-0681.

#### Summer Ballroom Dance Camp

- 8-15 year-olds can learn waltz, fox trot, tango, rumba, salsa and merengue, noon-1 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays, June 18-July 12, Fred Astaire Dance Studio, 2510
- S. Telegraph, Suite 200 (corner of Square Lake Road), Bloomfield Hills, (248) 454-1715.

#### FAMILY **Finnish Cultural Center**

FCA Jamboree 2007, various acts and dances (Irish, Scottish, Finnish and Japanese), noon-7 p.m., June 9, 35200 W.

#### Eight Mile Rd., Farmington Hills, \$3, (248) 478-6939.

#### Detroit Zoo

HimalAmazon: The Extreme Log Ride, photo-realistic animation with digital surround sound, (248) 541-5717 or visit www. detroitzoo.org.

Disney's High School Musical: The Ice Tour Inspired by movie, Feb. 29-March 2, 2008, tickets \$17-\$28, on sale, call (248) 645-6666, www.ticketmaster.com.

#### FILM

**Commerce Townshin 14** Dale, documentary on NASCAR legend Dale Earnhardt, June 19-21, 26-28, \$10, 3033 Spring Vale Dr., also at Livonia 20, 19500 Haggerty, Livonia and Forum 30 with IMAX, 44681 Mound, Sterling Heights, www.dalethemovie.com

#### **Redford Theatre**

Back to the Future, June 8-9; Till the Clouds Roll By, June 22-23; The Best of Years of Our Lives, July 6-7: King Kong, July 20-21; Shall We Dance? Aug. 3-5; On The Town, Aug. 17-18, at 17360 Lahser Road, Detroit.

#### Landmark Main Art Theatre

Midnight movies: Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas, June 8-9; The Big Lebowski, June 15-16; Wet Hot American Summer, June 22-23; The Goonies, June 29-30; Buffy Sing-A-Long live show, July 6-7; Dynamite Warrior, July 13-14; Trey Parker's Cannibal! The Musical, July 20-21; Army of Darkness, July 27-28; Suspiria, Aug. 3-4; In 3-D, Creature from the Black Lagoon, Aug. 10-11; A Clockwork Orange, Aug. 17-18; Serenity, Aug. 24-25; and Brazil, Aug. 31-Sept. 1.

#### FOLK

#### The Ark

Trinity House Theatre

Delta 88, June 7; Chris Thile, June 10; Steppin In It, June 9; Ari Hest, June 10; Lonesome Country, June 11; Chick Corea and Bela Fleck, June 12; Mindy Smith, June 15, all at 316 S. Main, Ann Arbor, (734) 761-1451.

Floyd King and the Bushwackers, 8 p.m.

June 8, at 38840 West Six Mile, Livonia,

or visit www.trinityhouse.org

Unity Acoustic Coffee House

donation.

Who's At First

**FUND-RAISERS** 

A Salute to Gerhardt Knodel

Cranbrook, 1970-2007.

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A benefit for the Gerhardt Knodel

Scholarship Fund begins at 6 p.m.

Saturday, June 16, at Cranbrook Academy of Art and Art Museum, 39221 Woodward

Ave., Bloomfield Hills, reserve tickets at

(248) 645-3032. Includes a preview of Hot

House: Expanding the Field of Fiber at

Children's Leukemia Foundation Walk

The CLF is holding its first Walk on

June 9, at Kensington Metropark in

The money raised will help Michigan

families battling leukemia, lymphoma

and related blood disorders by providing

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\$12, \$9 for members, call (734) 464-6302

Muruga and The Global Village Ceremonial

Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, Livonia. \$12-\$15

Canadian Arctic Blast Folk Festival (fifth

with Garnet Rogers, James Gordon, Alex Sinclair and Matt Watroba, Royal Oak First

United Methodist Church, 320 W. 7th St. (corner of Washington, \$17, WhosAtFirst. org, (248) 541-4100.

annual folk festival), 7:30 p.m. June 9,

Band, 7 p.m. June 9, all at Unity of

necessary information, financial assistance, and emotional support programs. Details at www.leukemiamichigan.org or call (248) 353-8222.

#### Out of Africa: Sunset at the Zoo

This annual Detroit Zoo benefit features a strolling supper, zoo-themed martinis, live entertainment, dancing, and live and silent auctions, 7-11:30 p.m. June 15 at the zoo. Tickets \$125 to \$500 per person, call (248) 541-5717 ext. 3750.

#### Broadway Lights, Woodward Nights

Gala fund-raiser featuring Conductor Thomas Wilkins and the DSO, 7 p.m. Saturday, June 16, at Max M. Fisher Music Center, 3711 Woodward (313) 576-5111 www. detroitsymphony.com

#### GOSPEL

Aretha Franklin

**Revival with Pastor Smokie Norful, Cissy** Houston and others for Detroit's Greater Emmanuel Institutional Church of God in Christ, 7 p.m. June 14-16 (Franklin appears June 15), 19190 Schaefer, Detroit.

#### JAZZ

#### 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 group at 9 p.m. every Tuesday, 1427 Randolph St. in Detroit's Harmonie Park, (313) 962-0483.

#### The Unity of Livonia Church

Muruga and the Global Village Ceremonial Band, 7-9 p.m. June 9, 28660 Five Mile Rd. (hetween Middlebelt and Inkster) in Livonia suggested donation is \$15, (734) 421-1760.

#### Windsor/Detroit Jazz Club

Ongoing gigs, 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

#### **Chene Park Amphitheatre**

Norman Brown, 8 p.m. June 20, 2600 Atwater, Detroit, \$10-\$15, (313) 393-7128.

#### MUSEUMS

**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 admission \$5-\$7, planetarium, \$1-\$3, (248) 645-3200 or www.cranbrook.edu.

#### **Detroit Institute of Arts**

DIA is closed; will reopen Nov. 23 after the completion of its renovation, at 5200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. Call (313) 833-7971.

#### **Detroit Science Center**

Our Body, The Universe Within, features real, preserved human bodies, extended run through Sept. 3, 5020 John R, Detroit, exhibit costs \$19,95-\$24,95 call (313) 577-8400 or visit www.detroitsciencecenter.org.

#### Exhibit Museum of Natural History

University of Michigan, 1109 Geddes Ave., Ann Arbor, (734) 764-0478.

#### Henry Ford Museum

20900 Oakwood Blvd., west of the Southfield Freeway and south of Michigan Avenue, Dearborn, Additional charges and varying hours for entry to Greenfield Village, Ford Rouge Factory Tour and IMAX Theatre. Call (313) 982-6001 or visit www.hfmgv.org.

#### **Plymouth Rides the Rails**

www.hometownlife.com

June 13-Nov. 1, artifacts, model trains, \$5 adults, \$2 students, \$10 families, \$1 AAA dis-

#### MUSIC

Garnet Rogers performs at "Who's At First" Fifth Annual Folk Festival, which features Canadian artists, at 7:30 p.m. June 9 at the Historic Royal Oak First United Methodist Church. For more information, visit WhosAtFirst.org or call (248) 541-4100.

count, 155 S. Main, Plymouth (734) 455-8940, www.plymouthhistory.org.

#### Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm Mothers, Daughters and Leaders of Oakland County, Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm, through June 16, 1-4 p.m.

Wednesdays through Saturdays; 1005 Van Hoosen Road, off Tienken Road, one mile east of Rochester Road (248) 656-4663. rhmuseum@rochesterhills.org

#### **SOMETHING DIFFERENT**

St: Damian Youth Group Rock bands Paragon, Common Misperception and Forever in a Day, 7-10 p.m. June 8, \$5, all ages, event benefits group's mission trip and World Youth Day pilgrimage, 30055 Joy Road, Westland, (734) 421-6130

#### **Congregational Church of Birmingham UCC**

Biakuye Unity Ensemble, 8 p.m. June 15, RED Comma Cafe, \$15, 1000 Cranbrook, Bloomfield Hills, proceeds benefit the church's young adult mission trips, (248) 646-4511 or e-mail ccbchurch1000@sbcglobal.net.

#### Kresne Art Museum

Sorrow Unmasked: Images of Grief, Mourning and Remembrance, open through July 27, 108 Kresge Art Center, Michigan State University campus, (517) 339-7964, or visit www.integraonline.org

**Detroit Derby Girls** Pistolwhippers vs. D-Funk All-Stars, June 23; Detroit Derby Girls Championship Bout, July 21, all at Masonic Temple Drill Hall, 550 Temple, Detroit, \$15, www.detroitderbygirls. com

#### Motor City Brass Band

American Portrait, final concert of 2006-07 series, 3 p.m. June 10. Ford Community and Performing Arts Center, Dearborn, \$12, 15801 Michigan Ave., Dearborn (313) 943-2354, www.mcbb.org

#### Michinan Elvis Fest

Honoring Elvis Prestey, July 13-14, Riverside Park, Depot Town, Ypsilanti, www.mielv isfest.com

#### Birmingham Historical Museum & Park

Allen House kitchen, restored to reflect 1920s decor, also exhibits on artifacts and history of schools in Birmingham, \$2 admission, museum open from 1-4 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 556 W. Maple (at Southfield Road), (248) 642-2817.

**Detroit Historical Society** Offers tours of historic spots, cost is \$20 \$25 per tour, call (313) 833-1405, or go to www.detroithistorical.org/thingstodo.

#### Historic Ford Piquette Ave. Plant

Tour the Birthplace of the Model T, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., every first and third Saturday of the month, through October, 461 Piquette Ave.,

#### Detroit, call (313) 868-2377.

**Preservation Wayne Walking Tours** 

Walking tours of Downtown Detroit are hosted 10 a.m. Saturdays through September, various starting locations, \$10. call (313) 577-3559 or visit www.preservationwavne.org.

#### **THEATER - COMMUNITY**

**Community Theatre of Howell** Alice in Wonderland, June 8-10, Howell High School freshman campus, 1400 W. Grand River, (517) 545-1290, www.cththeatre.org

#### **Farmington Players Community Theater**

Oklahomal, June 7-9 at Farmington Players Barn Theater, 32332 W. 12 Mile Rd., Farmington Hills, \$16-\$18, (248) 553-2955, www.farmingtonplayers.org. Michigan Theatre Festival

Festival celebrates works of local and other national playwrights, June 15-17, Boll Family YMCA Theatre, hosted by Plowshares Theatre Company, Planet Ant Theatre and Abreact Theatre, 1401 Broadway at John R and Grand River, Detroit, (313) 872-0279 for information.

#### **Oakland Theatre Guild**

Starlight Theater, between Claire's and Kohl's stores, Summit Place Mall, Waterford (248) 335-1788, www.starlighttheater.net

#### The Ringwald

Who Wants Cake? presents Southern Baptist Sissies, through June 25 (Fridays-Mondays) except June 8 and 9, 22742 Woodward Ave, Ferndale, call (248) 556 85810 or visit www.WhoWantsCakeTheatre. com.

#### St. Dunstan's Theater Guild of Cranbrook

Amadeus, through June 9. in the outdoor Cranbrook Greek Theatre, 400 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills. Call (248) 737-3587 or visit www.StDunstansTheatre.com

#### Stagecrafters

A Chorus Line, through June 17, \$16-\$18, at the Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak (248) 541-6430, also auditions for Thoroughly Modern Millie, 11 a.m. registration for noon-5 p.m. auditions), also at Baldwin Theatre, www.stagecrafters.org for details.

#### StarBrite Productions

The Foursome, through June 16, cocktails and dinner at Guiliano's Guilian's Italian Ristorante in Premier Entertainment Center, show is at The New Premier Theater. 33151 23 Mile Rd., 2 miles east of 1-94, in Chesterfield Township, www.starbriteprod. com for information or call (586) 725-2228 for reservations.

#### **Village Youth Theatre Productions**

Cinderella's Glass Slipper, performed in association with the Village Players of Birmingham, June 15-June 14, \$10, 34660 Woodward, Birmingham (248) 644-2075. www.birminghamvillageplayers.com

#### **THEATER-HIGH SCHOOL**

#### Madonna University

Musical theatre workshop for high school acting hopefuls (grades 10-12) with New York casting director Kevin Kennison, 9 a.m.- 8 p.m. July 8-14, \$690 (commuters)-\$795 (boarders), 36600 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, for more information, (734) 432-5715, bwiltsie@madonna.edu.

#### **THEATER - PROFESSIONAL** Meadow Brook Theatre

Nunsensations! The Nunsense Vegas Revue by Dan Goggin, through June 10, \$28-\$38, call (248) 377-3300 or visit www.mbtheatre. com.

#### Performance Network Theater

Amadeus, through June 10, 120 E. Huron, Ann Arbor, www.performancenetwork.org, (734) 663-0681.

Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts An Evening of Classic Lily Tomlin, June 21, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit, \$27.50-\$58.50, call (248) 645-6666.

#### FICKETS ON SALE **DTE Energy Music Theatre**

Legends of Motown: The Temptations Revue featuring Dennis Edwards and The Contours featuring Sylvester Potts, Sunday, June 10: Doobie Brothers/Peter Frampton, June 14; Barenaked Ladies, June 15; The Fray, June 16; Def Leppard, July 24; Ted Nugent, June 22; Chicago and America, June 29; Toby Keith, July 5-6; Moody Blues, July 20; B.B. King Blues Festival, July 29; Opie & Anthony's Traveling Virus, Aug. 4; Bryan Adams with George Thorogood & The Destroyers, Aug. 8; Rush, Aug. 28, call (248) 645-6666 or visit palacenet.com.

#### The Palace of Auburn Hills

John Mayer, July 5; The Police, July 17; Dave Matthews Band, Aug. 23, visit palacenet. com or call (248) 645-6666 for tickets.

#### Fox Theatre

Alison Krauss & Union Station, July 31; tickets at OlympiaEntertainment.com or (248) 433-1515, for information, call (313) 471-6611.

#### **Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival**

14th annual series, June 9-24, featuring music of Ludwig von Beethoven and Leon Kirchner, subscriptions for five concerts is \$125, seven is \$160, single tickets are \$35 (Saturday concerts), \$30 (others), \$10 for those 25 and under (248) 559-2097 www greatlakeschambermusic.com

#### Gem Theatre

Respect: A Musical Journey, until July 1, (313) 963-9800, Ticketmaster charge by phone (248) 645-6666, online at www. ticketmaster.com, and in person at the Gem Theatre box office and all Ticketmaster locations.

#### WINE EVENTS

#### Morton's The Steakhouse

A Toast to Tuscany, 6 p.m. June 7; Women of Spirit Wine Dinner, 6:30 p.m. July 19: Morton's The Steakhouse in Troy, (248) 404-9845, www.mortons.com.

#### Rock 'n' Roll Wine

An amplified wine tasting paired with live music 6:30 p.m. June 28 featuring The Bob Skon Trio, at Arbor Brewing Co., 14 E. Washington, Ann Arbor. Visit www.rocknrollwine.com. Cost is \$30-\$35.

#### Great Lakes Wine Event

Oakland Community College's Culinary Studies Institute presents its annual event featuring 800 wines from 90 wineries. food from several restaurants and country clubs, 6 p.m. June 7, at the Orchard Ridge Campus in Farmington Hills. Entertainment by Sheila Landis Trio. Tickets \$45, with proceeds going toward scholarships, and travel funds for a national competition.

Call (248) 522-3700, or visit www.oaklandcc.edu/culinary.

bar and restaurant owned by the Jonna

\$50 per class for a four-class package

or \$55 per class individually. Classes are

Wines of Italy, June 20; Wines of France,

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July 18: call (734) 222-9841 for reservations

Family, price is \$45 each for all six classes.

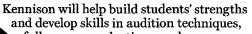
#### Vinology Wine Classes Vinology, 110 S. Main in Ann Arbor, is a wine

or more information.

# Theatre workshop hosts New York casting director **OUEENS**

Kevin Kennison, New York casting agent and former acting professor at The Tisch School of the Arts at New York University, will be running a one week musical theatre workshop at Madonna University in Livonia July 8-14.

Kennison will work with students on all aspects of developing as a performer who is a "triple threat" - a singer, actor and dancer.



full scenes, production numbers through solo coaching and individual attention.

Students will work with choreographer, Christopher Leadbitter, formerly of Ballet Trockadero.

Each student will work in lessons with vocal coaches and accompanists. with video analysis and private voice lessons, fully staged scenes and production numbers through seminars

and rehearsals.

Anyone interested in musical theatre who would like to grow as a performer and work with professionals in the field can go to the Web sites below and download an application. Only 25 performers will be accepted to ensure individual attention.

Download an application at http://vocalperformingartists.com/HSMTW.html or contact professor Barbara Wiltsie at

Madonna University at Bwiltsie@madonna. edu or Mary Rashid at Rashidm@walledlake. k12.mi.us.



# Festival of Arts offers world music

Gigantic prehistoric creatures from the Netherlands, a ukulele orchestra from Great Britain, reggae-folk players from Sierra Leone, singers from Montreal, Irish pop and a Cambodian rock group are among the diverse cast of artists who will entertain on more than 10 stages at the 21st annual Detroit Festival of the Arts in Midtown Detroit Friday through Sunday June 8-10.

With a 20-square block area as blank palette, festival organizers work year round to fill every

corner with themes of sculpture, sidewalk masterpieces etched in chalk, music, dance, poetry, children's activities, an artist's market, street performers from around the world and a 75-ton sand art sculpture of a prehistoric creature. Musical choices run the gamut from blues to reggae, jazz ensembles, folk and rock groups and country tunes. With a musical backdrop from nearby stages visitors can stroll and enjoy the popular Arts and Crafts Market on Cass Avenue and Kirby Street

with 100 artists from around the country offering original juried art for purchase.

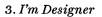
Visitors can talk to the artisans up close and personal and purchase one of a kind photography, sculpture, paintings, jewelry and other artistic wares during each day of the Festival.

The Literary Arts Festival, coordinated by Springfed Arts, returns Saturday and Sunday with poets and writers from around the world presenting their works. The increasingly popular genre of

spoken word, interspersed with music, will be on the menu at the LaSalle Bank Music and Literary Lounge, located on Cass Avenue.

This year poets perform from Berlin, Detroit, New Jersey and Pennsylvania including Sean Thomas Dougherty, Spoken Word and National Slam Champ.

For more information, schedules and a Festival map, visit www. detroitfestival.com, or call 313-577-5088.



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- 8.3's & 7's

9. Suture Up Your

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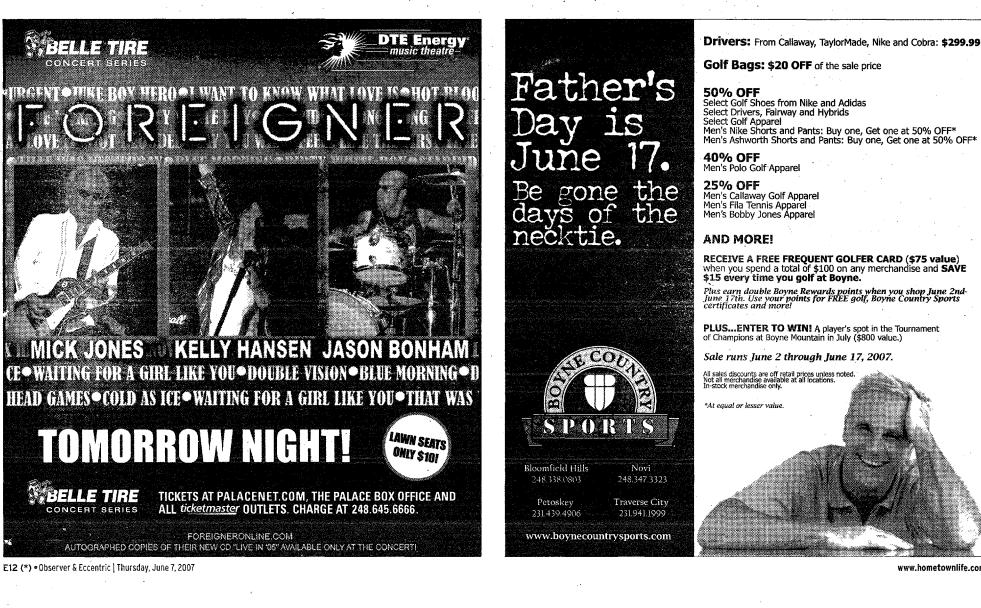
10. River in the Road 11. Run Pig Run Hear the new record at the Queens of the Stone Age Release Party, 10 p.m. Wednesday, June 13, Small's Bar and Grill, 10339 Conant in Hamtramck. Call (313) 873-1117.

In the meantime, watch video of the band in the recording studio at http://www. voutube.com/watch?v= bWzvlFyS\_Y.

For tour information as it develops, see www. gotsa.com.

Stephanie A. Casola

#### Lana Mini



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# Go outside and enjoy a drink

Recently, I set out to write an article about bars and lounges in metro Detroit with pleasant outdoor seating, but the list wouldn't stop growing. So instead, I've decided



So instead, I've decided to share my favorite places — patios with ambiance. And I hope you will do the same. E-mail me your favorite place to have an outdoor drink (not including your backyard.) Please include the establishment's name and the city where it's located, and include your name, too.

Information at the bottom of this story. There's actually a tie for my No. 1 favorite spot, but I love both for different reasons, and they are:

No. 1: The bosco, 22930 Woodward Ave., Ferndale, (248) 541-8818, The mojitos are the best in metro Detroit. The music is exclusive — owner Dan Haberman has published several CDs of music that can only be heard at this east coast-style lounge. The outdoor patio tucked in the back of the bosco has an unintrusive waterfall and heat lamps for Michigan's fickle weather. The clientele is a creative, trendy crowd. The dress code is casual, but very stylish, the service is great and the music gets louder as the night goes on. They also have a great menu of summer tropical drinks.

Also No. 1: La Dolce Vita, 17546 Woodward Ave., Detroit, (313) 865-0331, While the bosco is lively and very social; La Dole Vita is a little more low-key and intimate. But both establishments aim toward a creative clientele. No one who visits either places looks like they work in an office — which means change your clothes into at least some trendy demin before you go. La Dolce Vita is an Italian restaurant with interesting dinner specials, and the food will please even Italians. But what's even better is the outdoor patio with lush

greenery, and a pleasantly loud waterfall. Its location is hidden — it's on Woodward Avenue near Seven Mile Road and you can spot it by all the greenery outside the building. But you have to look hard. The patio is tucked away from Woodward, so traffic can't be seen nor heard. Great wine list.

Other great places:

Majestic Cafe, 4120 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, (313) 833-9700. Sit outside at the hipster cafe, not too far from the DIA, and it's probably the best outdoor place to get that urban Detroit feeling. The patio area is actually on Woodward, so you can sit outside and watch the world whiz by. The menu is eclectic with Middle Eastern, American and Italian foods. Another location with an artsy or rock clientele. And when you're finished with your drinks, you can head inside (and pay cover) to check out bands at the theater or upstairs at the Magic Stick.

Beach Grill, 24420 Jefferson Avenue,

St. Clair Shores, (586) 771-4455. OK, so you want a clientele that's more mainstream than trendy. Or you want a view of Lake St. Clair. There's no better place than the Beach Grill way over on the east side. Boaters pull right up to the grill

and that in itself is fun to watch.
The outdoor area is a wooden deck and the sound of the boat engines rumbling in the water adds to the summer ambiance that will make you feel like you're on vacation.
The frothy summer drink menu is huge. This is a place where you'll see men in Hawaiian shirts

and women wearing a lot of gold. I go there for the sunset views. It's very lively and live bands play occasionally.

Hockeytown Cafe, 2301 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, (313) 965-0500. If you like sports — even if it's just during playoff season — this is the place. Sports fans abound, but the best part of Hockeytown is the rooftop patio that offers a decent view of the city. Another party-type crowd, reggae bands often perform here during the summer.

Pronto! Restaurant, 608 S. Washington Avenue, Royal Oak, (248) 544-7900. There's an outdoor section on Washington, but it was only last week that I realized there's a hidden patio in the back of this great social spot. For years, Pronto has been a friendly spot for an outdoor drink, meal or giant cupcake. Everyone here is super-social, the atmosphere is loud and if you don't want to have fun, well, go elsewhere. Mixed clientele.

Woodward Avenue Brewery, 22646 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale, (248) 546-3696. Laid-back, mixed crowd, some of the best micro-brew in the area and a lively, loud outdoor section on the weekends. It's more of a place for socializing with friends, rather than a date spot. Also known as WAB, it's a favorite among local Ferndale residents.

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Como's Restaurant & Pizzeria, 22812 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale, (248) 548-5005. Como's is known for its great pizza. It's an Italian restaurant with red- and white-checkered table cloths in an atmosphere that makes for a fun date. On the weekdays, its wooden patio is refreshing and relaxing. As night falls, and the white "Christmas" lights go on, the ambiance gets more upbeat. You'll see dancing and lots of fun under the umbrellas with this fun crowd. The clientele is social, if talking to strangers bothers you. This isn't your kind of place. Happy summer.

E-mail your favorite outdoor place to: Imini@ oe.hometownlife.com.



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# The Sopranos ends, and we predict it

This is it, Filter's last prediction about HBO's The Sopranos, which ends on Sunday.

Staff writer Alex Lundberg predicted what a few of us in the newsroom also theorize. Says Lundberg:

"Tony, with his crew in tatters, is now doomed. Sylvio and Bobby were the only 100 percent loyal people he had and they're gone now. The problem for Tony is who's left.

"Paulie is the only guy that Tony has left. However, the evidence of last season and this one is that Paulie's feelings are deeply hurt. He's been (in his mind) minimized and marginalized by Tony and probably has an axe to grind. Now that Tony's crew is gone, and by extension, Tony is gone, Paulie will take the one route that guarantees his own survival: helping to close the door on Tony by delivering him to Phil. That's his only chance to survive.

"There is now reason to

believe Tony's salvation, or a version of it, will come as Carmela or Janice drops a dime on him. Janice might do it for the same reasons or just to do him harm since her husband is now dead. The series started out with Tony going to counseling because of his abusive mother, it would be nice symmetry to see the series end because of his relationship with another woman." We can't wait until Sunday.



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## Wanted: "Wanna-be" movie makers for workshops

Film-making teams can enter the Madonna University Mobiflicks competition, one of several workshops at Project Accessible Hollywood or PAH-Fest.

PAH-Fest is a digital media festival that celebrates the stories and voices of everyday people. PAH-Fest Motown, scheduled for July 16-22 at Madonna University, invites people from all walks of life to tell their digital stories using the latest equipment and technology.

Christopher Coppola, the nephew of Francis Ford Coppola, and older brother of Nicholas Cage, will be on hand to assist PAH-Fest movie makers. Elmore Leonard, famed novelist and screenwriter will be on campus to screen the movie "Out of Sight" and talk about his work.

To be considered for the Mobiflicks competition, teams must complete the entry form at www.pahfest.com by Saturday, June 16.

The entry form includes a 255-wordor-less description of the story the team would like to produce as a digital movie. Six teams of four will be chosen to come to Madonna University in Livonia to make their digital movies in three days. Each team will be provided everything needed: digital camera, editing system and coaches, and a one-day crash course to help prepare for production. Finalists will be housed in Madonna's residence hall. Teams must be in the Detroit area or be willing to travel there.

Mobiflicks is one of several workshops that will make up PAH-Fest Motown to be held at Madonna University July 16-22. The public is encouraged to take part in PAH-Fest.

Other PAH-Fest highlights include cell phone art. Everyone from the Detroit area is welcome to come to campus and shoot a one minute piece of video using their cell phone or one provided.

Throughout the week PAH Fest Motown will celebrate movies, technology and music with seminars aimed at educating and entertaining.

For information, contact Sue Boyd at (734) 432-5578.

# 'Knocked Up' breeds plenty of laughs

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#### BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA STAFF WRITER

Seth Rogen is on fire. Literally. In an opening scene of the anticipated summer comedy *Knocked Up*, Rogen portrays a pot-smoking party boy who, in a friendly battle, sets his boxing gloves ablaze.

As Ben Stone, he's far from a perfect candidate for a new father. But after a fateful one night stand with a blonde

bombshell named Alison Scott (Katherine Heigl of *Grey's Anatomy* fame), that's just what he's about to become.

Judd Apatow wrote and directed this light-hearted summer romp. Fans of his hit 2005 comedy *The 40-Year-Old Virgin*, know loud laughs are inevitable.

Apatow gathered a familiar ensemble cast for *Knocked Up* — one that includes his wife, actress Leslie Mann as Alison's older sister Debbie and their own young daughters, Iris and Maude Apatow.

Paul Rudd portrays Pete, Debbie's husband, who's struggling for time to himself. The couple prove to be problematic role models for Allison and Ben, as they embark on the unexpected, rocky journey to parenthood. As it is, the two couldn't be more different.

Ben is an unemployed bloke working to start a Web site called Fleshofthestars.com. Allison is a stylish correspondent for E!, the cable entertainment channel, looking toward a promising career. They may be the most unlikely couple, but the two manage to fall in love anyway. In *Knocked Up*, Apatow has managed to transform a simple story.

- one the audience thinks it could predict — into a truly entertaining movie packed with perfect comic timing and truly lovable characters. All the elements are there, the one-night stand remorse, the shock of an unexpected pregnancy, dreaded weight gain, fear of the future. But it's all executed in warmth and loads of comic relief.

The film doesn't hold back, either, not even during the graphic birth scene. Strong language, drug use and sexual themes earned the film its R rating.

Don't miss cameos by Steve Carell (*The Office*), Harold Ramis and Michigan native Paul Feig.

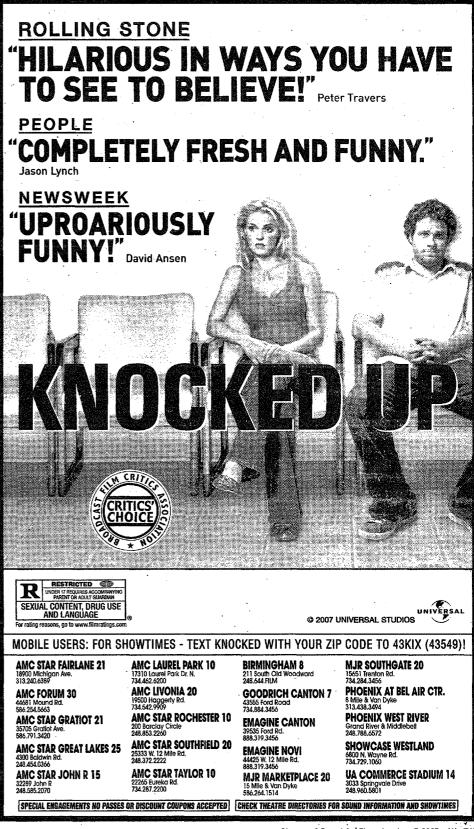
Feig created the cult hit TV show *Freaks* & *Geeks*, which also starred Rogen, his ne'er-do-well pals Jason Segel, Martin Starr and James Franco — who makes a

cameo appearance promoting Spider-Man 3.

Folk musician and actor Loudon Wainwright III can also be spotted as Allison's understanding gynecologist. He, too, is part of the Apatow extended creative family, having appeared in the director's 2001-02 television series *Undeclared*, along with Rogen, Segel and Baruchel. Wainwright even contributes a few songs to the knockout soundtrack.

Knocked Up is in theaters now.

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