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City offers chance to chill out

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

If the hot weather continues next week as forecast, the city of Plymouth's first "Chill Out" at the Culture Center should be a big success.

The Recreation Department is hosting the event from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday to highlight Recreation Department activities, classes held at the rec center and other community programs.

"We wanted an event to show the community all we have to offer," said Renee Edeline, Recreation Department program coordinator. "A lot of people who come here on a regular basis aren't familiar with our classes and programs. The Chill Out will have something for everyone, from tots to seniors."

There will be free open skating on a newly frozen ice surface, face painting and moonwalks, as well as yoga, Kung Fu and Tai Chi demonstrations. The Plymouth YMCA, Plymouth Community Council on Aging and several businesses will be on hand to give demonstrations and answer questions.

"The police and fire departments will be here and give safety demonstrations, Huron Valley Ambulance will give blood pressure checks and DMS (Department of Municipal Services) will have their big trucks," said Kimberleigh Boyce, also a program coordinator. "We want to show residents the renovations at the Culture Center, including a big screen TV for parents to watch while their kids are skating or playing hockey.

"We're open to ideas," Boyce added. "We want to offer what people want."

The Chill Out will also fea-



Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Fran Toney will retire in the spring after more than 16 years on the job.

Sweet 16

Chamber director ready to call it quits

STAFF WRITER

The woman who believes "God held me in the palm of his hand and set me down in the best job in the world" will leave that job early next year.

Fran Toney, for 16 years the executive director of the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, has told the chamber board she'll retire in April.

Toney, who has supervised the growth of the chamber from fewer than 400 members when she started to some 650 now, said it's simply time.

"I'm that age now," said Toney, 65, who also recovered from some health issues in the past year. "I'm doing great now, but I've been here 16 years. This is just the right time.'

are unique, trendy programs like the Old Village Restaurant Crawl and the Scarecrows in the Park, routinely touted as hometown events that give Plymouth its atmosphere.

She's also organized the annual auction and the golf outing, the two largest fund-raising events sponsored by the chamber.

That's a lot of knowledge to lose when she retires.

"She's been the know-all person there for a long time," said Sandy Marulis, president-elect of the chamber's Board of Directors. "She knows everyone. We're a little nervous about the transition ... it's going to be a major change."

According to Marulis, with Toney's retirement so far away, the board hasn't really started looking for a replace-



Fran Toney, here leading the annual chamber breakfast, got several events started, such as the Old Village Restaurant Crawl.

ture raffles, give-a-ways and Toney has started a lot of programs Please see TONEY, A4 in her 16 years. Among her favorites door prizes. Friends hit the pavement to fight breast cancer



Plymouth DDA director of operations Sherrie Pryor (from left) and friends Ronda Silcox of Garden City, team captain Wendy Boye of Westland and Sue Brewington of Romulus have been training for more than a month, gradually building up their endurance.

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Part of Sherrie Pryor's job as operations director of Plymouth's Downtown Development Authority is to walk around downtown talking with merchants and interacting with those who attend downtown events.

However, navigating the Norman Rockwelllike downtown pales in comparison to the challenge of walking 60 miles in three days during the Breast Cancer 3-Day walk Sept. 28-30 through Livonia, Farmington Hills and

Pryor, team captain Wendy Boye of Westland. Rhonda Silcox of Garden City and Sue Brewington of Romulus have been training for more than a month, gradually building up their endurance.

"I feel good, but my feet seem to feel it the most," said Pryor, who tried on more than 50 pairs of shoes before finding a pair she believes will comfortably help her finish the 60 miles. "Most people don't finish because of blisters and dehydration.'

The Breast Cancer 3-Day is a major fund-raiser for the Susan G. Komen Foundation. Individuals have to commit to raising \$2,200 to participate. The team — Breast Friends 4 Life — set its goal at \$10,000. Several fund-raisers and donations from friends and family have team members well on their way with \$5,700.

Boye organized the team in hopes of finding a cure before she or anyone she knows get the dreaded disease.

"I went on a fund-raiser for a friend who's

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MDOT: Bridges are safe

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

Bob Byrnes admits in the 27 years he's been driving trucks for various softdrink companies, including the last 10 for Pepsi, he's never really thought much about the safety of the various bridges in

But after Wednesday's collapse of the Interstate 35W bridge in Minneapolis, thoughts of safety become more com-

"After something like that you think about it," said Byrnes, who was making a delivery to the Speedway station at Sheldon and Five Mile Friday. "It's more on your mind now, but usually isn't not something you think happens to you. It happens somewhere else.

The I-35W bridge in Minneapolis, which collapsed into the Mississippi River, had been deemed "structurally deficient," a rating that means all or portions of them required either repair or replacement.

According to Michigan Department of Transportation officials, there are some 285 bridges in the metro Detroit area that have the same designation.

MDOT spokesman Rob Morosi said a list was being compiled of bridges in western Wayne County listed as structurally deficient, but the list was not yet available. He did say, however, there probably are some in

'There would almost have to be, given their age," Morosi said. "However, structurally deficient' doesn't equate to 'unsafe.' It's a term they use in the federal inspection guidelines. (Michigan's) bridges are safe.

National Bridge Inspection Standards require MDOT to inspect bridges every two years. According to MDOT Director Kirk Steudle, the Mackinac, International and Blue Water bridges are inspected annually, exceeding federal requirements.

"We are confident we have safe bridges in Michigan and carefully manage them to ensure the safety of the motoring public," Steudle told the media Thursday. "If we had concerns about any particular bridge, we would immediately take appropriate action. It is important to note that bridge collapses such as the one that happened in Minneapolis are extremely rare.'

That's why drivers like Will Neafsey aren't overly concerned, despite the fact Michigan is among the 10 worst states in the nation, with some 16 percent of its bridges deemed "structurally defi-

"I didn't even think about it driving to or from work (Thursday)," said Neafsey, a Northville resident who works in Dearborn Heights. "After they finish the invertigation, if they find something systemic, then you worry about it. Until then, it's an anomaly."

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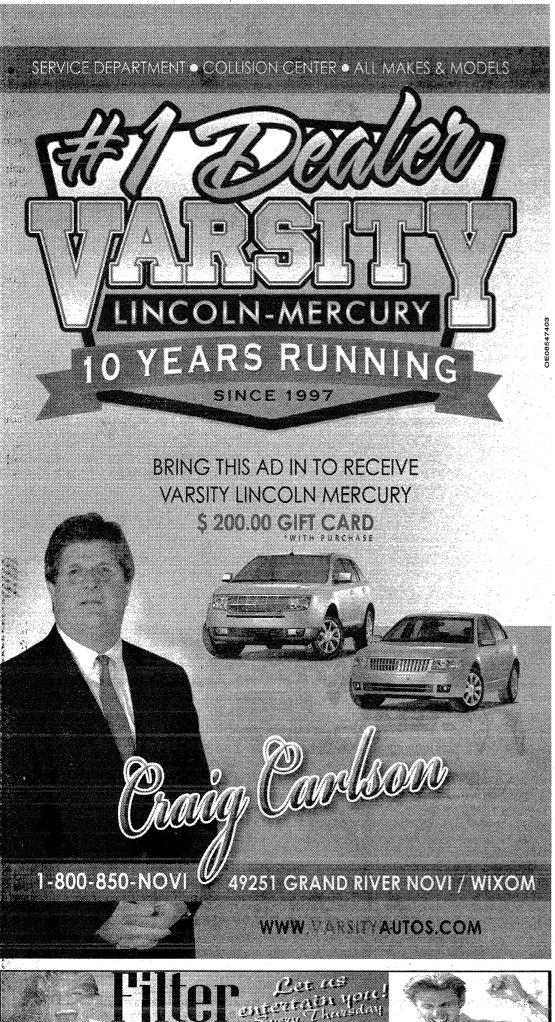
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Township seeks people for police academy

Plymouth Township residents who've wondered about the inner workings of the township's police department get their chance to find out when the department hosts its latest Citizens Police Academy starting Sept. 12.

The academy is an 11-week program designed to give the public a working knowledge of the Plymouth Township Police Department. Each session consists of 10 consecutive Wednesday night classes held at department facilities from 7-10 p.m. The instruction is comprehensive and each week separate areas of the department are covered.

"It is not the goal of the Citizens Police Academy to train citizen to become police officers," said Jamie Senkbeil, the department's community resource officer. "The goal of the academy is to increase

understanding among our citizens through education and interaction with members of the Police department.

"The Academy gives citizens the opportunity to learn why we can or cannot do certain things," she added. "It is hoped that the instruction will increase police awareness to dispel suspicions and misconceptions, and to increase police/community rapport through this educational program.

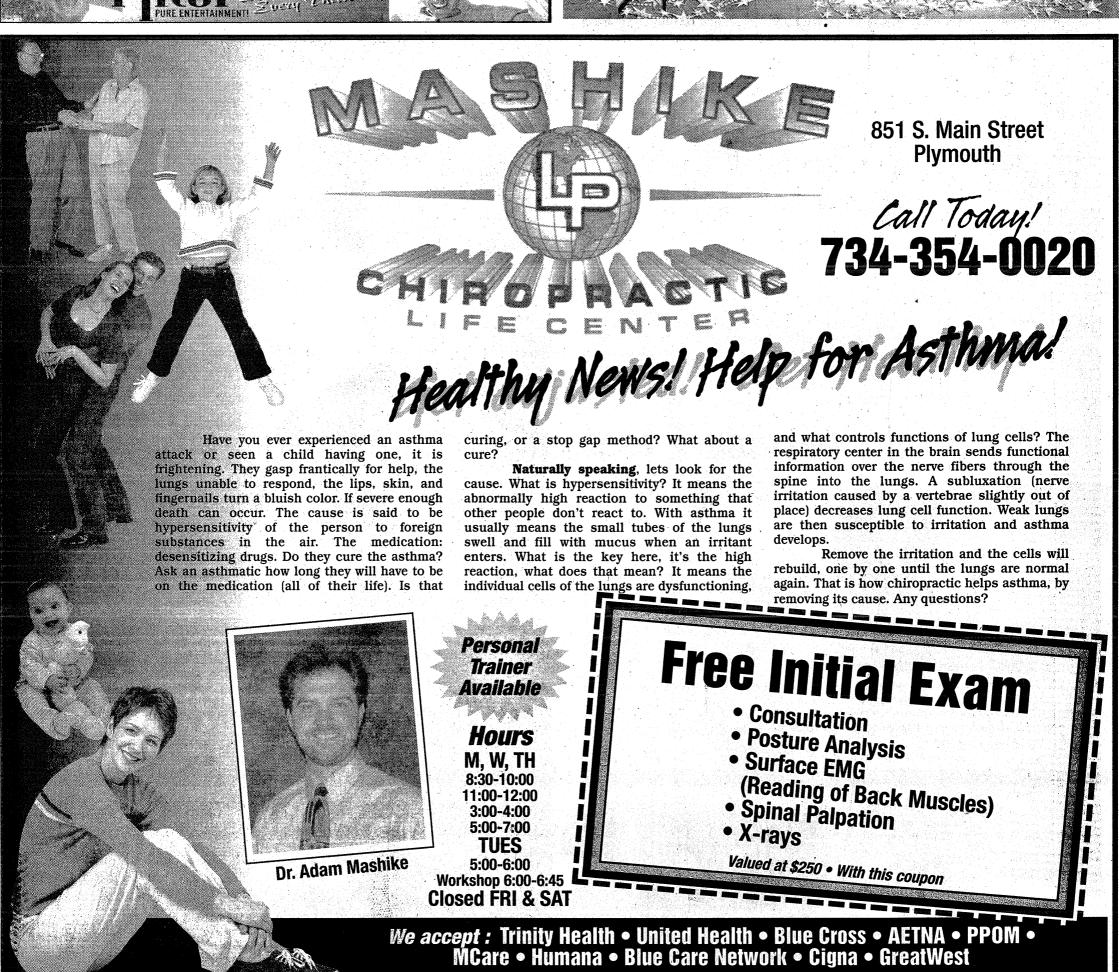
Training, communication, canine, court, patrol, Fire, S.W.A.T. and recruiting are examples of some of the topics that are covered. Instruction consists of lectures, demonstrations, tours, and riding with a police officer. This ride a long will be scheduled to take place outside the class time at a mutually convenient time for staff and participants.

'We hope the graduates of the Citizen Police Academy become more aware and better informed about how the Police Department operates, and will recommend their friends, coworkers and families to join the Plymouth Township Police Department in the rewarding program," Senkbeil said.

Participants range from 18 years of age and above, and former students have included doctors, homemakers, students, retirees, engineers, and teachers attending the classes. Enrollment is limited to 25 students on a first come-first served basis.

Participants must be at least 18 years old and live or work in the Plymouth area. Applications are available on the Plymouth Township Web site or by contacting Senkbeil at (734) 354-3243 or jsenkbeil@plymouthtwppd.org.





Plymouth After Dark

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce presents the sixth annual Plymouth After Dark ... When the Stars Come Out! 7-11 p.m. Friday, Aug. 10.

The paparazzi will be welcoming the "movie stars" into town as they arrive by limo to start the event off at 7 p.m. with an all-star parade through Kellogg Park. Expected to make appearances this year are The Simpsons, Audrey Hepburn, Marilyn Monroe, John Wayne, Barbie and others.

The event features free tours of downtown Plymouth in a luxurious limousine, free entertainment and refreshments, music on the street corners, \$5 horse-and-carriage rides and special street performances by Plymouth's community theatre company, **Barefoot Productions.**

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

Financial seminars

Community Financial will host free financial education seminars Tuesday, Aug. 21 and Wednesday, Aug. 22. Both hour-long seminars, which are open to the public, will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the credit union's main office located at

The Aug. 21 seminar is titled "Take Control of Your Money!" and focuses on how to create a spending plan, set realistic goals and track spending. It is estimated that most American consumers waste 20 to 30 percent of their money due to poor spending and planning habits.

This seminar has been designed as an interactive learning experience and will also help people identify budget busters that can destroy a spending plan.

22 is titled "Understanding and Improving Credit Scores.' Participants will receive straightforward answers to a variety of questions including what's in a credit report; why you need a good credit score; how to establish and improve

your credit score, and much more.

These seminars provide an excellent opportunity for us to give members and others in our community the knowledge needed to better manage their finances and achieve greater peace of mind," said Bill Lawton, president and CEO of Community Financial.

Participants will enjoy refreshments and have an opportunity to win a \$50 gas card. To register for the free seminars, call 734-582-8702.

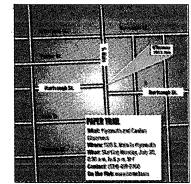
Drive-In Night

The YMCA of Metropolitan Detroit is hosting a drive-in movie night Monday, Aug. 20, at the Compuware Sports Arena Drive-In Theatres in Plymouth. The theatre opens at 7:30 p.m. and inflatable toys and games will entertain children until movies begin at

Cost is \$25 per car, and proceeds provide scholarships for kids to attend YMCA camps. Passes must be purchased online. Visit www.ymcadetroit. org for more information and to buy passes.

Creative writing

Life and Writing Coach Jane Saylor offers creative writing classes that will help students confident with their writing on a personal and business level, challenge themselves to learn, never be staring at themselves in a very unique



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will take place over the telephone and the internet according to the writer's schedule, e-mail Saylor at GrandSchemePress@comcast. net or call (734) 546-3260.

Historical walking tour

Join the Plymouth Historical Museum and the Plymouth Preservation Network for an historical walking tour around Kellogg Park 10:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 25.

Wendy Harless, Chairperson of the Plymouth Preservation Network, takes guests on an historical walk around the wonder: Why we have a park? What is the oldest building around the park? Why is the Wilcox house located near the park? These questions and many more will be answered. Arrive early and enjoy free

gram. For 3-year-olds there is a Monday/Wednesday class or a Tuesday/Thursday class from 9-11:15 a.m. The cost is \$95 per month.

For 4-year-olds there is a Monday/Wednesday/Thursday class from 12:15-2:30 p.m. The cost is \$120 per month. There is a one-time registration fee of \$35 for all classes.

For more information call (734) 453-5464 or stop by the office at 9451 S. Main in Plymouth.

YMCA board

The Plymouth Family YMCA is looking to grow its Board of Advisors.

This is an opportunity for members of the Plymouth, Canton or Northville communities who are looking to get more involved in their community. There are monthly meetings from September through June. Responsibilities include advocacy, fund-raising and expertise.

Anyone interested in getting more information can contact Josh Landefeld at (734) 453-2904 or jlandefeld@ymcametrodetroit.org

School supply drive

The Plymouth Salvation Army is collecting school supplies to

provide to needy families in its Plymouth-Canton-Northville-Belleville service area.

All types of school supplies are needed; however, Salvation Army officials are especially

hoping to collect backpacks. For more information, call (734) 453-5464.

Rapunzel on stage

The Marquis Theatre in downtown Northville presents the musical "Rapunzel" Aug. 6 through Sept. 23.

Show times are weekdays, Monday through Fridays (Aug. 6-10 and Aug. 13-17) at 10:30 a.m., Saturdays (Aug. 11, 18 and 25) at 11:30 a.m., Saturdays (Sept. 8, 15, 22) at 2:30 p.m., and Sundays (Sept. 9, 16, 23) at 2:30 p.m,

Please no children under the age of 3. Tickets are \$8, with group rates and reserved seating for groups of 20 or more. For more information call (248) 349 - 8110.

Good Grief golf

New Hope Center for Grief Support hosts its ninth-annual "Good Grief" golf outing Saturday, Sept. 8, at St. John's Golf & Conference Center in Plymouth with a 10 a.m. shotgun start.

Proceeds from the outing will benefit New Hope Center for Grief Support, a bereavement outreach center located in Northville. New Hope prov. ides free grief support services and resources to men, women, teens, and children throughout southeastern Michigan.

The cost for this four-person scramble, which includes 18 holes of golf with a cart, lunch, dinner, contests and prizes, is \$125 per golfer. Dinner-only is \$35 per person.

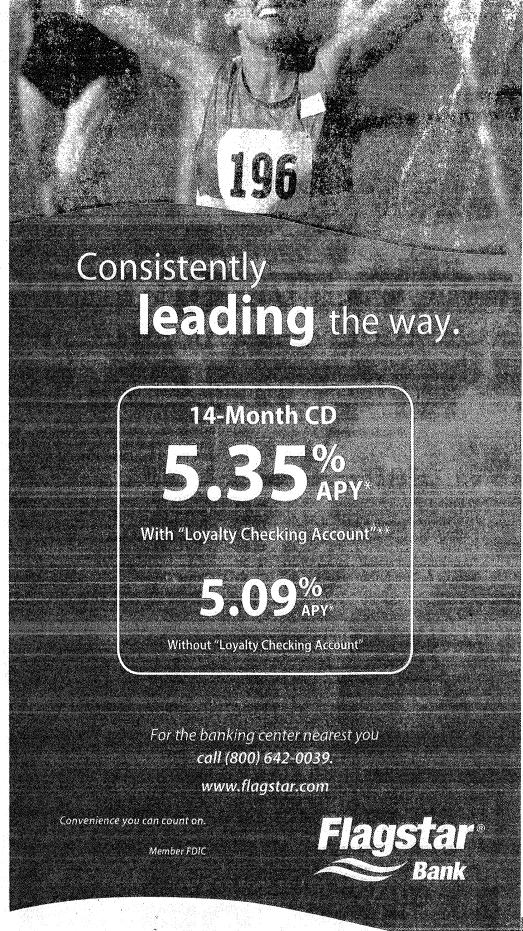
For information about sponsorship opportunities or for registration information, visit New Hope's Web site at www. newhopecenter.net or call Pattie Bingham, (248) 348-0115.

Summer cinema

The Penn Theatre in downtown Plymouth plays host to a variety of summer cinema matinees.

Sponsored by Plymouth District Library, Wolverine & Spartan Shop, Michigan Made & More, Signature Audio Services, Book Cellar & Café, Bennigan's Grill & Tavern and Cold Stone Creamery, movies play Tuesdays at 1 p.m. and Thursdays at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tickets are \$3.





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ment. Toney reiterated her plans to retire at the board's retreat last January; Marulis said directors will start considering the process this fall. Meanwhile, the annual

auction, set for Nov. 2 at Laurel Manor in Livonia, will be used as her retirement party.

"We want to celebrate the legacy of Fran Toney," Marulis said. "We want to send her out with a big bash. She deserves that."

That leaves Toney with one worry: what's next?

"I keep asking myself and my family, 'What am I going to do?" she said. "At the same time, it's a good time to do this. We've got a great staff who has been here and know how things run. The chamber is in a good place right now."

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walking, and I started thinking about how it affects one-ineight women, and how many women I know that could have the chance of getting cancer," Boye said. "Although I don't know of anyone who's had breast cancer now, we're doing it for the future."

Silcox said she was at first skeptical when approached by Boye to walk, but didn't have a hard time being convinced to take part.

"When Wendy asked me to do it, at first I thought she was crazy," Silcox said. "But then she started to tell me some of the stories she heard, and I decided it was a good thing to

"I have a daughter and granddaughter, and I hope to be around for them a long time," she added. "I think this is the kind of experience that will change our lives."

Pryor said the experience of fund-raising has been gratify-

ing.
"I was very surprised at the number of people who would stop and tell us their story, or that of someone they know suffering from breast cancer," she said. "A lot of people who have donated to our team have been touched in some way, whether they've survived it or lost someone. They just feel a need to do something about it."

The women are having a wine-tasting and silent auction to help them reach their \$10,000 goal. It will be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 17, at the Wavne Senior Center. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 the night of the event. For more information call Pryor at (734) 740-0606, or e-mail Breast_friends_4_life@ yahoo.com.

Donations to the group can also be made online at www. the3day.org/michigan07/sherriepryor.

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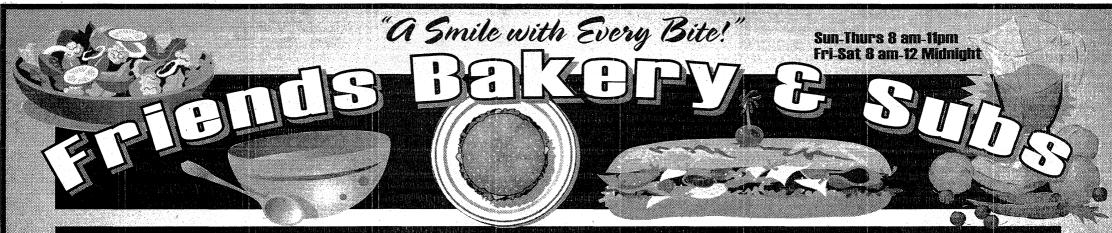
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"Tell us what you want to read about in your *Observer*," said Susan Rosiek, executive editor. "Your opinion matters to us as we strive to improve our newspaper and online coverage."

Deadline to submit survey information and be eligible for the ticket drawing is 5 p.m. Monday, Aug. 6.

Here's your chance to dine with Coco from WJLB-FM

The Observer & Eccentric and Mirror Newspapers are teaming up with Buddy's to present "Dining With the Stars" featuring Coco of "The Coco, Foolish & Mr. Chase in the Morning Show," which airs weekdays from 6-10 a.m. on FM98 WJLB.

The show is known throughout metro Detroit for its laughs, amazing prizes, hot topics, celebrity gossip and interviews, news and more.

In 100 words or less, tell us why you're a fan of Coco and would like to have lunch or dinner with her at Buddy's Pizza in August.

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 August contest is **5 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 21.**

A photograph of you and Coco will be published in the Observer & Eccentric and Mirror Newspapers and online at www. hometownlife.com.

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

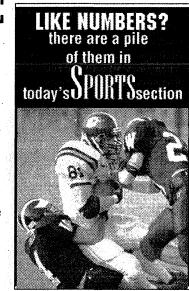
Buddy's will also present at check for \$500 to the Detroit Recovery Project, the charity of Coco's choice which supports individuals in identifying and resolving barriers to achieving a healthy and productive drug-free lifestyle.

The August winners will be treated to a limo ride, courtesy of Pro Tran Transportation, makeover from "Beauty Salon by J.Lyle Lmt. featuring stylist and makeup artist Christine Fitzpatrick, a \$100 gift certificate to the Reaver Diamond Co. in Southfield and a dance exhibition courtesy of Fred Astaire Dance Studio in Bloomfield Hills.

Other upcoming "Dining With the Stars" include Chuck Gaidica of WDIV-TV (Channel 4), Attorney Geoffrey Fieger, Florine Mark of Weight Watchers, health and fitness guru and OEE columnist Peter Nielsen, Ruth Spencer of WDIV's "Ruth to the Rescue" and Trudi Daniels of WRIF-FM.

No purchase is necessary to enter. Buddy's Pizza will review all entries and select the top four "fan" letters.

The stars featured for the month will make the final selection. Lunch and/or dinner date is to be determined with the winner and star by Buddy's representatives.





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Peace network's event marks bombing of Nagasaki

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An area peace group of hopes Nagasaki never happens again.

In hopes of eliminating all nuclear weapons, the Detroit Area Peace with Justice Network, which includes the Livoniabased Citizens for Peace, will present their annual Nagasaki Program at 4 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 9, at Our Lady of Fatima's Bradley Hall in Oak Park.

Featured will be a showing of the film, "The Last Atomic Bomb," depicting the horror of the 1945 nuclear blast through the experiences of a survivor. The 92-minute film by veteran documentarian Robert Richter is a plea for nuclear disarmament that contrasts images with the recollections of survivor Sakue Shimohira, who was a 10year-old during the bombing of Nagasaki.

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Afterward, presentations on peace will feature noted Michigan attorney and nuclear policy expert, Anabel Dwyer, and the Rev. Harry Cook, former religion editor of the Detroit Free Press. In addition, Motoko and friends, a choral group, will perform in traditional Japanese summer kimonos.

Afterwards, there will be a social period for meeting the activists and dissemination of informational literature, and refreshments.

The band "Rabble" will also present their original songs "Ruins" and "Time for Peace."

Our Lady of Fatima is on Coolidge at Oak Park Boulevard, between Nine Mile and 10 Mile roads. The movie and program are free, however, donations are appreciated.

Colleen Mills of Livonia chairs the planning committee for the event.

KNOW THE SCORE check out the numbers in today's SPORTS section

The Plymouth District Library, located at 223 S. Main in downtown Plymouth, offers the following programs in August:

■ CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP - Monday, August 6, 7 p.m. - Social worker Chris Goldberg of Adult Well-Being Services will answer a wide variety of concerns for individuals caring for ill or aging family members No registration is required.

■ WRITING MY LIFE STORY: A SENIOR WRITING GROUP, Tuesday, Aug. 7, 1 p.m. and Tuesday, Aug. 21, 4 p.m. -Seniors can share and preserve their life stories with the guidance of Plymouth author, Jane Saylor. No previous writing experience or advance registration is required.

■ YOUR POETRY GROUP, Sunday, Aug. 12, 1:30-3:30 p.m. - Round-table readings of poems, your own or by others, are held on the second Sunday of the month. Reader's discretion of language is asked in the works read. For more information, contact Shirley Weimar at (248) 348-9953.

■ CONTEMPORARY BOOKS DISCUSSION, Wednesday, Aug. 15, 7:30 p.m. Members of this book discussion group are invited to read The World is Flat: A $Brief History\ of\ the\ Twenty$ first Century by Thomas L. Friedman. Copies of this book are available at the circulation

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son@plymouthlibrary.org ■ LIBRARY GARDEN GROUP, Thursday, Aug. 16, 7 p.m. - This popular group meets monthly to discuss common garden concerns, new ideas and how the current gar-

dening season is progressing. Gardeners at all skill levels are invited - no registration is required. ■ FREEDOM, SLAVERY

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AMERICAN MUSIC, Saturday, Aug. 18, 2 p.m. - Join native Detroiter Ray Kamalay as he considers the connection between slavery and the development of early American music. Subjects include ancient and modern slavery, spirituals, blues, minstrel shows, ragtime and early jazz. Live musical performances will enhance this presentation, made possible by the support of the Friends of the Plymouth District Library. Register on-line at plymouthlibrary.org or by calling 734-

453-0750, Ext. 4. ■ STARS, MOONS AND PLANETS, Monday, Aug. 20, 7 p.m. - He loves the skies and after this informal gathering, you will too. Plymouth resident Mike Best leads a lively discussion each month for adults and children over

the age of 6. No registration is required. For more information contact (734) 459-BEST or starmikebest@comcast.net.

■ BROWN BAG BOOK DISCUSSION - Wednesday, Aug. 22, noon - This month's discussion invites members to read Arc of Justice: a Saga of Race, Civil Rights and Murder in the Jazz Age by Kevin Boyle. Copies of this book are available at the circulation desk. Bring a lunch; beverages are provided. For more information about Brown Bag Books, ask at the Reader's Advisory Desk or contact Sue Patterson at the Library, (734) 453-0750, Ext. 241, or spatterson@plymouthlibrary.org.

■ NEEDLECRAFTERS MEETING, Monday, Aug. 27, 7-9 p.m. - Knitters, quilters, needlepointers are all invited to attend this informal group gathering. Lessons are not provided, but ideas exchanged among attendees. No registration required. Bring your latest project!

■ AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE, Friday, Aug. 31, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - The week leading up to Labor Day will find local hospitals with depleted blood inventory. Plan now to give - donors can safely give blood every 56 days. Sign up in the Library lobby. Walkins welcome too. For more information, call (734) 453-0750, Ext. 217.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Wrap up your Summer Reading program - Get a Clue @ Your Library- the last day to have your reading log checked is Aug. 11. Stop at the Reader's Advisory Desk for your final prize. The Summer Reading Program was made possible with the generous support of the Friends of the Plymouth District Library.

SUMMER STORY BONANZA, Tuesday, Aug. 7, 10 a.m., Wednesday, Aug. 8, 7 p.m. - This fun program will wrap up the Summer Reading Program for preschoolers. The kids will enjoy stories, songs and other fun activities. Register at the Youth Services Desk, (734) 453-0750, Ext. 5.

■ YOUTH MYSTERY PARTY, Saturday, Aug. 11, 2 p.m. - Solve the mystery of the stolen book plate and have fun at the same time. Register for this and all youth programs by calling the Youth Service Desk at (734) 453-0750, Ext. 5.

■ LAP SIT STORYTIME, Monday, Aug. 13, 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.; Saturday, Aug. 18, 10 a.m. - This 15-minute program is designed for the very young - babies ages 6-24 months and their caregivers. No older siblings please. Registration is required - call Reader's Advisory Desk at (734) 453-0750, Ext. 4.

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City police looking for vandals in spray-painting

> BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Plymouth police are looking for suspects who vandalized a neighborhood park and at least two parked cars with red spray paint.

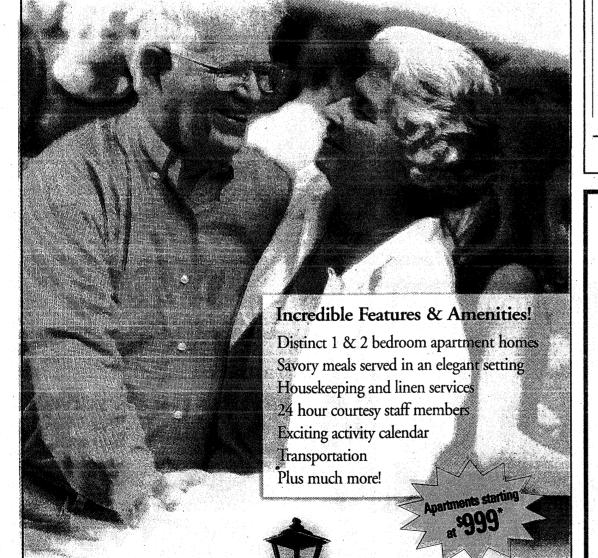
"At Rotary Park (Wing and Herald) they spray-painted the children's playscape, the Rotary Club sign at the corner and damaged the pavilion ... about \$3,200 in damage," said Detective Jeff Jones. "There was a car on Herald that was spray painted on the drivers' side passenger window and another on McKinley that had the windshield sprayed. I wouldn't be surprised to get more damage reports."

Jones said the incidents occurred in the pre-dawn hours Friday.

"This is the first real bad incident of spray painting we've had this summer," said Jones. "It appears to be random. I'd almost bank on it being juveniles."

Anyone with information can contact Jones at (734) 453-1234, Ext. 258.

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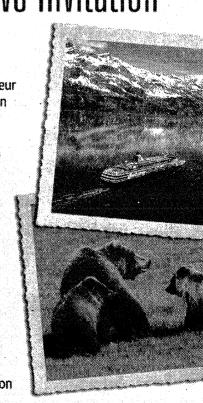
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Steep tuition increases give 'affordable' a new meaning

ichigan's state universities have all piped in with tuition increases ranging from 6.4 percent (U-M-Flint, Western Michigan) to a dizzying 18.1 percent at Wayne State University.

Wayne is technically increasing its undergraduate tuition by 12.8 percent but will be charging a \$13-per-credit contingency fee. which would be rescinded if the Legislature reinstates a promised August payment in October. That will raise tuition by \$1,227 a year to \$8,039 for an average student taking 15 credits a semester.

In a brilliant display of educational doublespeak, WSU announced its tuition increase July 25 this way: "In an effort to preserve both excellence and affordability in the wake of a \$23.4 million cut in state funding,

> Isn't that special? This could be a whole new approach for anyone who wants to raise the

of Governors today increased

tuition by 12.8 percent."

Wayne State University's Board

price of anything.

Hugh Gallagher

In order to make your mortgage more affordable, we're going to increase the interest rate. In order to make government more affordable, we're going to raise your taxes.

The helpful release goes on to reassure that Wayne State is a heck of a bargain at \$226.05 per credit hour (no wait, with the \$13 contingency it's \$239.05 per credit hour).

"In spite of the increase, Wayne State still has tuition rates below average for Michigan's public universities, and significantly less than either of the state's two public research universities," the release says.

Well, all right then. Let's see that would be the two universities with predominantly resident students set in college towns. Wayne State is a commuter school set in the midst of one of the country's least attractive urban centers, a school that serves the needs of working students who can't afford to go to those other two research universities with the rah-rah

But I don't mean to pick on Wayne State, my alma mater. All of the state's universities are in jeopardy. They have been a sacrificial lamb for both the governor and the legislature. Both have argued that if taxpayers don't want to cut funding to K-12 schools, then they have to accept cuts to the state universities. It's a poor deal, especially at a time when the state is touting education as a way out of our economic morass and research universities as vital to attracting the new tech businesses.

In a letter to WSU alumni on Aug. 1, President Irvin Reid took a less evasive approach in explaining the university's tuition But I don't mean to pick on Wayne State, my alma mater. All of the state's universities are in jeopardy. They have been a sacrificial lamb for both the governor and the legislature. Both have argued that if taxpayers don't want to cut funding to K-12 schools, then they have to accept cuts to the state universities. It's a poor deal, especially at a time when the state is touting education as a way out of our economic morass and research universities as vital to attracting the new tech businesses.

hike (the inflationary 12.8, not the mind-boggling but maybe temporary 18.1): "No one wanted this to happen. We know that every time we are forced to raise tuition it creates a hardship for our students and their families. But the Board had no alternative: Wayne State University faces a potentially catastrophic \$23.2 million reduction in state appropriations in 2008. Our state support now is approximately equal to the funding we received 11 years ago, in 1996, with no factor for inflation."

Reid assures the alumni that WSU has made deep cuts "without compromising the quality of our academic programs and other student services." He also assures that the university will make every effort to provide financial aid.

The kicker, of course, is to ask the alumni's support in prodding state legislators to act on adequately funding the state's universities.

President Reid, consider this my positive response to your call to arms (well, e-mails, actually).

All of Michigan's state universities are important to moving this state back to the position of social and economic leadership it once enjoyed. From those other two research universities to the strong collection of regional universities, they serve in giving our young a chance to survive in a constantly shifting economic environment.

But Wayne State, in particular, provides an educational opportunity for those who would otherwise never go to college. It's a place more than any of the state's other schools that is and can continue to be a beacon toward some-

Of all the schools, Wayne State needs to keep its costs down. A 12.8 percent tuition hike is a deal breaker for many. An 18.1 percent hike is a heart breaker.

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Michigan is alone in offering legal protection to overweight workers

ey, fat people (I mean no disrespect), does the law protect you from losing your job, not receiving that promotion or even earning less pay than your skinny coworkers? The short answer is "no." Employers can legally discriminate against you just because you're fat — that is, in every state except for one — Michigan.

Michigan is the only state in the country

that bans discrimination in the workplace based on weight. In 1976, the Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act was enacted to prevent such workplace bias.

One has to wonder why no other state has tollowed Michigan's lead. Michigan ranks

third in the country for the highest rate of obesity. Nearly 62 percent of Michigan residents are considered overweight or obese according to a 2004 Michigan Surgeon General Health Status Report. Detroit alone was the fattest city in America from 2001 to 2003 as stated in Men's magazine.

Charlie Langton

Obesity is generally defined as being 30 to 40 pounds overweight. Morbidly obese is at least 100 pounds overweight.

Numerous studies show moderately overweight to obese people are discriminated against not just in employment situations. The Rudd Center for Food and Police Obesity at Yale University, indi people face bias and discrime the life on by teachers and even by health care providers.

A recent article in the Journal of American Association of Justice observed that jurors perceive fat laintiffs in lawsuits as not taking care of their bodies and therefore not deserving of a favorable verdict. A British study concluded the the time tive criminal defendants are less likely to be found guilty than not so attractive defendants.

Yet, Michigan continues to protect fat people. A 2001 jury awarded nearly \$300,000 to a 360-pound man from Bad Axe who claimed he was fired because he was fat. The company claimed that his morbid obesity caused excessive sweating and the need to sleep during breaks. He was called "lazy." The Michigan jury sent a message. Had the

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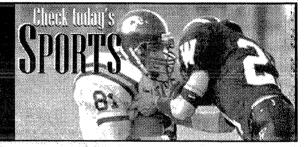
Called "size discrimination," its evils are championed by the National Association to Advance Fat Acceptance. For example, at its recent annual convention, the group launched a writing campaign to educate Massachusetts lawmakers who are considering legislation to prevent discrimination based on height and weight. The Massachusetts legislation is based on Michigan's law.

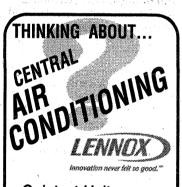
The bottom line: It's silly to suggest that fat-friendly laws encourage people to overeat; If a worker is capable of performing the job, the size of that worker should not matter. Public policy should encourage people to get healthy, while the law should provide protection for those who try.

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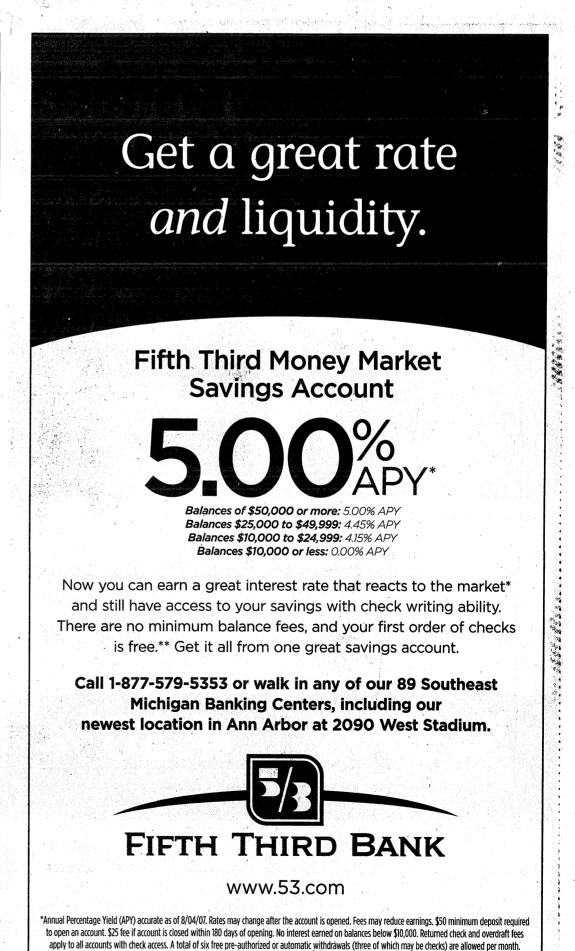
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Stop on Red Week stresses importance of obeying lights

More than 4,298 crashes that occurred at signalized intersections in 2006 (a decrease from 2005 of more than 500) in Southeast Michigan could have been avoided by one simple action — stopping when the traffic light was red.

Seventeen of those crashes (five more than in 2005) were fatal. SEMCOG, the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, along with the Federal Highway Administration, have designated Aug. 5-11 as the 10th annual National Stop on Red Week.

"We at SEMCOG hope that these statistics help to drive home the fact that there are serious problems at lighted intersections," says Paul Tait, SEMCOG executive director. "We're all in a hurry these days, and there's a lot of construction and congestion, but please remember to stop when the light is red. And even when the light is green for you, make sure that the vehicle with the red light has actually stopped before proceeding through the intersection."

In 2006, 37,149 traffic crashes took place at signalized intersections in Southeast Michigan (down from 40,212 crashes in 2005); 10.7 percent of those (or 4,298) involved red-light runners. Of the 60 crashes that resulted in fatalities at signalized intersections, red-light runners were involved over 28 percent of the time.

While the red-light running numbers are still high, they have been declining. Why? In Southeast Michigan, that is likely due to some recent engineering improvements:

Increased signal retiming to optimize green time, reduce traffic delay, and promote progression on corridors reduces motorist frustration and their inclination to run red lights.

Additional information on the nation campaign can be found at www.stopredlightrunning.com.

Include everything when considering monthly expenses

My husband and I are in our mid-40s. We have been contributing to 401(k)s, Roth IRAs and MESPs. We have minimal debt and money to invest. In figuring out what our monthly expenses are — we spend a lot of money on whatever we feel like buying

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- do I only include in the must-have utilities, house payments, insurance, etc., or everything else? Congratulations on being

debt-free and saving for your child's college education. I also love the fact that you are using Roth IRAs in saving for your retirement in addition to 401(k) plans.

When you determine your monthly expenses, you should include everything, including the luxuries and the unnecessary items that you purchase. Only by determining your true monthly expenses will the number calculated be relevant to you.

The luxuries and the little



Money Matters

Rick Bloom

the flexibility and luxury of purchasing them on a regular basis, it would reduce your quality of life.

The goal of saving money for retirement is to be able to maintain your present lifestyle. By including all your purchases in the calculation, it will help determine a realistic amount you will need in retirement.

This number is essential to good financial planning. Before someone starts investing their money, they need to establish an emergency fund of money. To me, an emer-

gency fund of money should be anywhere between three to six months of living expenses. Once again, not what you potentially can live on per month, but what it actually costs you to live a month, including all the incidentals

One good way to determine whether your number is somewhat accurate is to look at your monthly take-home pay. Then you can determine what you are saving on a month-tomonth basis.

I'd like your comments on how to assess the need for life insurance after retirement. It seems we have enough money to last throughout our lifetime and neither my husband nor myself is currently generating any active income. Is there a compelling reason to purchase life insurance?

I've always been a believer

that life insurance — in fact, all insurance — is a means of covering risk. Unfortunately, too many people purchase life insurance as an investment and as far as I am concerned. that makes no sense.

In the case of life insurance, we all know that eventually we will leave this earth. However, that doesn't mean we all need life insurance.

If no one loses out financially, either because no one is financially dependent upon that individual or there are enough other resources to offset the loss, then there is no need for life insurance.

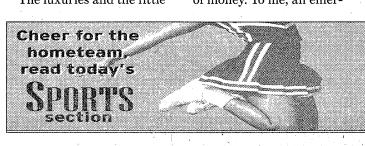
For those who need it, I recommend term insurance. Term insurance is the simplest form of life insurance because it allows you to buy insurance for the period of time you need it. Some people may need life insurance for a 10-year period, while others need it for a 30year period. It is the rare individual that needs life insurance for their entire life.

Term insurance is a fraction of the cost of whole life, variable, universal life and the other types of life insurance that are sold. Many salespeople do not like to sell term insurance because the commissions are not as generous as with

other types of insurance. I believe life insurance is an important product in many situations, however, you have to use the right product and it

has to be cost-efficient. Anyone considering life insurance should always consider term insurance as an option and never forget to shop insurance around for competitive bids.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. Observer & Eccentric readers can submit questions at moneymatters@hometownlife.com. For more information, visit Rick's Web site at www.bloomassetmanagement.com. You can hear Rick from noon to 3 p.m. Sundays on WDTK-AM (1400).





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Budget woes force cuts in P-CEP sports

STAFF WRITER

One full-time athletic director and two freshmen-level sports will be eliminated over the course of the next year at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park due to the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools' ongoing budget woes, according to Superintendent Dr.

Additionally, the cost for athletes to play the surviving sports was raised significantly this summer to help reduce a budget deficit that continues to jolt the district's athletics programs like an unblocked blitzing linebacker.

The P-CEP's staff of two athletic directors - which was pared down from three when Plymouth High School A.D. Terry Sawchuk's position was cut following the 2006-07 school year — will dwindle to one full-time "Park-wide" athletics administrator next summer, Ryan confirmed. The lone A.D. will be assisted by three parttime athletic directors who will work out of each of the three schools.

The P-CEP's two present A.D.'s - Sue Heinzman and Tom Willette — will have to re-apply for the one remaining position just like all other prospective candidates because it is a new position, Ryan explained.

Sawchuk, who served as the Plymouth athletic director since the school was opened in 2002, was named an assistant principal at Discovery Middle School in Canton earlier this

Members of the Board of Education also voted to cut freshmen baseball and softball beginning next spring and to raise the "Play to Participate" fees to

\$180 for the first sport (up from \$150) and \$100 for the second (up from \$80). Athletes can play a third sport during a school year for no charge. Also, students who qualify for the federal free lunch program are not required to pay the "Play to Participate" fees.

The hike in participation fees, which will take affect immediately, will put a \$75,000 dent in the deficit, Ryan said.

"I realize people are not going to be pleased with these moves, and I don't blame them, but the Board has had to make \$4.2 million in cuts and even after that we're facing a \$3.6 million deficit," said Ryan. "One man called me after he found out that freshmen baseball was going to be cut and he said, 'If you could cut apple pie, you'd probably do that, too.'

Please see BUDGET, B3

CHANGES IN THE WIND

Following are some of the budget-related changes that will affect P-CEP athletes over the next vear:

Rising costs: The fees for "Pay to Participate" for Plymouth, Canton and Salem athletes will be \$180 (up from \$150 last year) for the first sport and \$100 (up from \$80) for the second;

■ Staff reduction: One of the two current athletic director positions will be eliminated prior to the 2008-09 school year; the lone A.D. will oversee sports at all three schools with assistance from three part-time administrators (one at each

Don't play ball: Freshmen baseball and softball programs were eliminated; respective booster clubs are trying to raise funds to save programs.

Top 50 Tour

makes final

stop of year

BY DAN STICKRADT

STAFF WRITER

peratures of the season, Megan

The recent Lake Orion High

under humid conditions on the

hilly and picturesque course to

win the 16 & Older Division on

the final day of the regular sea-

son to the Top 50 Jr. Golf Tour,

Clemence was one of four champions — all from the

Observer & Eccentric coverage

the final tune-up on the tour's

Aug. 13, at Flushing Valley

Clemence plays on the

Southeast tour and will face

Central Michigan and West

Michigan tours in the state

tournament.

good day."

off against top golfers from the

'This is the first time I've won it," said Clemence, who is

fifth in the Southeast tour 16 &

Older Division with 313 total

points. "I was having a pretty

Chelsea McCulley of Allen

Park was second in the 16 And

Older Division, six shots back

at 87. Abigail Hall of Troy was

Weinstein of Farmington Hills

Tour leader Minjoo Lee of

Joo has 600 total points, more

than any player from any divi-

ners board were Derrick Burns of Clarkston (Boys 16 & Older),

Michael Panek of Livonia (15

Yurik of Oakland Township

(Girls 15 & Under Division).

tour with 289 points, shot an

87 to lead her division. Tourney

& Under Division) and Gabbie

Yurik, who sits in third on the

Joining Clemence on the win-

Clarkston skipped the event.

third with a 91 and Marni

claimed fourth with a 93.

sion on the tour.

Country Club near Flushing.

upcoming state championships,

area — who captured a flight in

which is in its fifth season.

Under the hottest tem-

Clemence was equal to that heat Wednesday at Paint Creek

School graduate fired an 81

Country Club.

Proben qualifies

Livonia Churchill senior Josh Proben fired an even-par 71 to win the Boys 17-18 age group July 30 at the Kensington Metropark Golf Junior Golf Tournament.

The 17-year-old Proben shot 3-under on the front nine and now qualifies to play in the Metropark Junior Championship, Thursday, Aug. 9, at Lake Erie Metropark in

Josh's 13-year-old twin brothers, Ben and Nick, eighth graders at Frost Middle School, also competed in the Boys 13-14 age division, shooting 98 and 101, respectively.

Big Day tickets

The Westland John Glenn Booster Club is offering discounted pre-sale tickets at \$7 for students and \$9 for adults for the Big Day HI Prep Football Showdown when the Rockets take on Livonia Franklin beginning at 8 p.m., Friday, Aug. 24, at Eastern Michigan University's

Rynearson Stadium. The all-day ticket includes admission for the Warren Cousino-Fraser game at 2 p.m. followed by the Allen Park-Detroit Finney game at 5 p.m.

The Glenn Boosters will offer the advanced tickets at the south entrance of the school from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 7 and Thursday, Aug. 9; 9 a.m.-noon, Saturday, Aug. 11. and 4-8 p.m." Thursday, Aug. 16 during Glenn's four-way scrimmage between Southgate, Trenton and Algonac.

Tickets at the gate are \$10 for students and adults. (Children 5-andunder are free).

Run Thru Hell

The Pinckney Running Club will sponsor its annual Run Thru Hell, a 4.8- and 10-mile foot race beginning at 8 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 11 at 🦭 the Hell Creek Ranch, located on Cedar Lake at Patterson Lake Road.

Pre-registration, received by Aug. 4, is \$17. Late registration is \$22.

Trophies will go to the top six finishers in each age group.

You can sign up online at www.gaultracemanagement.com. Call (734) 878-6640.

Hole-in-one club Zach Osburn, 10, of

Plymouth, used a 9-iron to ace the 105-yard, No. 1 hole at Fox Hills' Strategic Fox on July 27. Osburn fired a round of

37 for nine holes.

P-CEP ticket prices

Ticket prices for Plymouth-Canton **Educational sporting** events were announced recently. Single-event admission prices will be \$5 for adults; and \$3 for students and senior citizens. Entire-season family passes (good for two adults and all of their children) will run \$125 while student season passes will coast \$30.

The passes are only good for regular-season

Local icers set for elite showcase

Several Observerland high school hockey standouts have been invited to participate in the prestigious 33rd annual Hockey Night in Boston's "Summer Showcase of the Stars," an event that has been a proving ground for up-andcoming stars since 1975.

The showcase kicked off July 28 in Salem, NH, with

An All-Star series will be held prior to the tournament's championship game on Aug. 13.

a unique jamboree-style format that will have 12 of the 18 teams playing six mini-games against six different opponents. The Michigan players will converge on Salem Aug. 5-13 for a series of three 20-minute period contests, including playoffs.

The games will be witnessed by a host of college and NHL

An All-Star series will be held prior to the tournament's championship game on Aug. 13. Close to 50,000 spectators are expected to witness the games.

The local players who will be displaying their skills at the showcase include: Ian Barnaby (Canton Crush/Plymouth Twp.), Alex Kolpacke (Novi Catholic Central/Livonia), Max Popour (Waterford Kettering/Clarkston), Chris Schaefer (Farmington Falcons/ Northville), Mat Topolweski (Motor City Chiefs/West Bloomfield), Joey Ramirez (Farmington H.S./Farmington Hills), Patrick Smiatacz (Plymouth H.S./Plymouth), Cole Rochowiak (Garden City Midgets/Livonia), David Williams (Birmingham Seaholm/Bloomfield Hills), Adam Messina (Brother Rice H.S./Bloomfield) and Louis Ronayne (Livonia Midgets/ Northville).



JOHN STORMZAND | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Livonia's Mike Panek, who attends Novi-Detroit Catholic Central, captured the Boys 15-and-under Division at the Meijer Junior Tour's final stop at Paint Creek Country Club.

Please see TOP 50, B3

leader Renee Kuczeski (545



Former Pistons coach Chuck Daly speaks to an audience Thursday night at Garden City Hospital.

Daly still coaching

Prostate health Hall of Famer's concern

BY BRAD EMONS

Chuck Daly was known as a highly successful coach while making his rounds around the world of high school, college, professional and even international basketball.

Daly guided Penn to the NCAA Final Four, coached the Detroit Pistons to two NBA titles, and led the illustrious "Dream Team" to an Olympic gold medal at the 1992 Barcelona Games.

These days, the 77-year-old Daly is trying to get a different message across.

The Hall of Fame coach, who spends most of

his days in Florida, stopped by Thursday night at Garden City Hospital to give a free talk to create awareness for a male mid-life opponent - BPH (benign prostatic hyperplasia,) which affects nearly 8 million men in the U.S., including Daly.

BPH is a medical condition that, in most cases, means the prostate is enlarged, but not cancerous. It's also not life-threatening, but left untreated, can lead to constant timeouts to the bathroom.

Over half the men in their 60s, and 90 percent of men over the age of 70, have BPH.

Daly shared the stage with area urologist Dr.

Please see DALY, B3

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA **AUGUST 23, 2007**

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Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 2007 at 7:00 PM. The meeting will be held in the Board Room at the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. CANTON CENTER ROAD, CANTON, MI 48188. The following Agenda will be discussed:

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag

Roll Call: Randy Blaylock, Jim Cisek, Cathy Johnson, Vicki Welty and Steven Johnson.

Acceptance of Agenda

Michael A. Boggio Associates, Inc., 30100 Telegraph #216, Bingham Farms, MI 48025, for vacant property located on Canton Center Road, east side of New Canton Center Road between Michigan Ave. and Geddes Roads, appealing Zoning Ordinance 4.02.B, 2.14.A, to allow trash enclosures and loading spaces to be located in the front yard (Old Canton Center) area of the proposed commercial development.

Parcel 129 99 0002 710 (Planning)

CH Canton, LLC of Emagine Theater, 2842 Colonial Trail, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304, for commercial property located at 39535 Ford Road, south side of Ford Road between Lotz and Superior Parkway Roads, appealing Zoning Ordinance Article 2.0, Section 2.10.B, relative to requirements for lots and parcels to be located on a public road or township approved private road.

Parcel 049 99 0001 711 (Planning)

Joseph Alcodray, 21731 Beechcrest, Dearborn Heights, MI 48127, for residential property located at 1753 S. Lotz, north side of Palmer Road between Lotz and Hannan Roads, appealing Zoning Ordinance Article 26.00, Section 26.02, variance of 12 ft from required 85 ft minimum lot width in R3.

Zone R-3 Parcel 096 99 0009 701

(Planning) Tariq Murtaza, 1572 Brookline St., Canton, MI 48187 for vacant property located at 1382 Brookline St., east side of Brookline St. between Ford and Saltz Roads, appealing Zoning Ordinance Article 26.00, Section 26.02, variance of 13.5 ft from the required 70 ft lot width in R-5.

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Approval of the August 9, 2007 Minutes

Written comments need to be submitted prior to 5:00 PM on the date of the hearing. All written comments must be sent to the Charter Township of Canton, Clerk's Office, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48188.

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Rangers take title

The Rangers captured the 2007 9U GCYBSA championship last month. The team went 9-2 during the regular season before outscoring their foes 36-4 in four post-season contests. The team consisted of Timmy Baldwin, James Baldwin, Cody Borke, Colton Borke, Jack Campbell, Nolan Corker, Ricky Covault, Josh Doering, Gregory Goodbred, Jacob Hodgson, Luke Krupski, Carson Pakula, Ben Phillips, C.J. Regula and Jacob Silvester. The coaching staff included Rick Covault (head coach), Mike Baldwin, Steve Borke, Jeff Campbell, Mike Corker, Gordie Goodbred, Kevin Krupski, Chad Schroeder and Darrin Silvester.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON **INVITATION TO BID**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 pm, Thursday, August 16, 2007 for the following:

INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS OF BECK AT CHERRY HILL, CANTON CENTER AT SALTZ AND HAGGERTY AT PALMER

> Project includes the geometric intersection improvements of Beck at Cherry Hill by providing bituminous roadway widening for exclusive right turn lanes in all four quadrants; Canton Center at Saltz by providing concrete exclusive right turn lanes in 3 quadrants along with traffic signal items; and Haggerty at Palmer providing exclusive 10-inch nonreinforced concrete right turns for east and westbound Palmer including mast arms and traffic signal items, drainage improvements, placement of concrete curb and gutter, sidewalk including sidewalk ramps, storm structures and sewer pipe installation, driveways, pavement markings, signage, restoration and related work.

Bid documents are available to pick up at Canton Township Hall, Engineering - 2nd Floor, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188. A nonrefundable fee of \$60.00 will be charged for the bid packet. A 5% bid bond will be required.

Bid documents are on file and available for review at Canton Township Hall- Engineering 2nd Floor, Construction Association of Michigan, Reed Construction Data, McGraw Hill Construction Dodge, and Construction News Service of Michigan, Inc.

The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the

The Township reserves the right to reject any or all bids, in whole or in part, and accept only the bid deemed to be in the best interest of the Township.

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TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

Salem tennis tryouts

Tryouts for the Salem boys tennis team will begin Monday, Aug. 13. For more information, contact head coach Bill Nelson at (734) 604-1364.

Salem golf tryouts

The Salem girls golf team will be holding tryouts beginning Monday, Aug. 13, at St. John's Golf Course in Plymouth Township. Contact head coach Rick Wilson at (734) 416-7762.

Grizzlies tryouts

The Plymouth Grizzlies 13U travel baseball team is holding tryouts for the 2008 season on Aug. 26 and Sept. 9 from 3-6 p.m. at Heritage Park. Players must be 13

years old or younger on April 30, 2008, and reside or attend school in Plymouth or Canton. Contact Rob Sudz at sudzy190@aol.com.

YMCA news

SPORTS BRIEFS

■ The Plymouth Family YMCA is accepting registrations for its fall soccer program.

The leagues are for children between the ages of 4-11. Practices will begin the week of Sept. 17 and games will commence Sept. 29. There will be six practices and six games per team. The cost is \$67 for program members or \$99 for community members. All participants need a YMCA youth sports reversible jersey, the cost of which is \$15. The registration deadline is Sept. 10. For more information, call (734) 453-2904.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following:

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

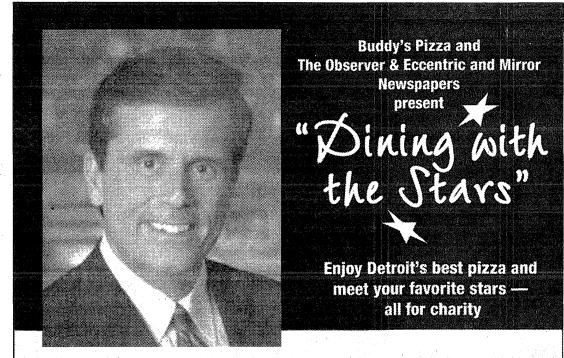
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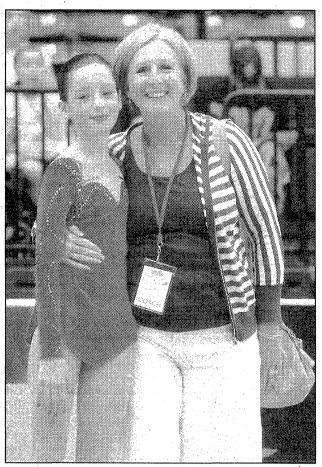


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Silver medalist

Rosie Rae, 9, a fourth-grader at Kennedy Elementary School in Livonia, earned a silver medal with a second place finish in Juvenile Girls Figures, July 25, at the 2007 USA Roller Sports Figure Skating Championships held in Omaha, Neb. She is coached by Vickie Hudson (right) of the Skatin' Station in Canton. The event was the largest roller sports competition in the U.S., qualifying older skaters for the World Class Team junior and senior competition this October in Brisbane, Australia. Rae, who started skating less than two years ago, qualified to compete at the national level by finishing first in June at the Great Lakes Regional in Loveland, Ohio. The regional included skaters from Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin.

"These cuts are painful, but unfortunately they're neces-

Ryan pointed to relatively low tryout numbers in freshmen baseball and softball as one of the primary reasons those sports were targeted. Just 72 ninth-graders tried out for baseball at the three schools last spring, he said,

"And Plymouth and Canton didn't even field freshmen softball teams this past year due to low numbers," Ryan continued. "Salem had 11 girls on its freshmen softball team.'

Heinzman said the respective sports' booster clubs are already working on plans that could prevent freshmen softball and baseball from meeting a sad demise.

"The members of the booster clubs are working hard to try to save the freshmen programs," she said. "If they can

raise enough money, there could still be teams, but the parents would probably have to drive the players to the away games and each player may have to pay around \$150 before the season starts to help cover the cost of the umpires and coaches.'

Heinzman said that she and Willette are determined to make sure that not one student-athlete is prevented from participating in a sport due to financial reasons.

"Just like there are 'No Child Left Behind' programs, we want to make sure there are no athletes left behind here at the Park," she emphasized. "If anyone knows of an athlete who may not be able to afford to pay the 'Play to Participate' fee, they should contact either myself or Tom Willette and we'll do whatever we can to help."

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3 Bucks gain PDL All-Star nods

As the No. 3 seed in this year's United Soccer Leagues-Premier Developmental League postseason, the defending national champion Michigan bucks are very wellrepresented on the 2007 63member PDL's postseason lists.

Thirty teams were represent-

ed by the 44 players selected to the Central, Eastern, Southern and Western All-Conference Teams. The unbeaten regular season champion Hampton Roads Piranhas became the first team since the introduction of All-Conference Teams in 2003 to have five players honored on their respective All-Conference Team. There were five previous instances of teams having four players honored (Cape Cod 2006, Ocean City 2005 and 2004, Central Florida 2004, and Chicago

The Kansas City Brass and Michigan Bucks had the next highest number of honorees

with three players selected. Seven teams had two players honored.

Michigan's three honorees on the Central Conference First Team included forward Kenny Uzoigwe, midfielder Nate Jafta and sweeper Michael Holody.

On the 11-member PDL Dream Team, the top players from all four conferences, Uzoigwe and Jafta were voted ion by head coaches and general managers. Also on the list were goalkeeper Evan Newton (Hampton Roads Piranhas), Defensemen Dwayne Demmin (Mississippi Brilla), David Horst (Hampton Roads Piranhas) and Josh Howard (Kansas City Brass); midfielders Sean Franklin (San Fernando Valley Quakes), Bruno Guarda (DFW Tornados) and Ciaran O'Brien (Tacoma Tide); and forwards Pablo Campos (Fresno Fuego) and Andrew Wheeler (Hampton Roads Piranhas).

Simply Self Storage

Notice is hereby given that on August 13th, 2007 on or after 10:00 a.m. that Simply Self Storage will be offering for sale under the Judicial lien Process by Public Auction the following units. The goods to be sold are generally described as household goods. Terms of the sale are cash only. Simply Self Storage reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. The sale will be at the following location: 34333 E Michigan Ave. Wayne MI. 48184. 734-728-8204.

Bruce Denson - A154 - TV, stereo, tools, totes

Iris Viera - C27 - China cabinet, speakers, TV, lamp, ice skates, totes, chandelier

Chaneca Shaw - A409 - Leather furniture, totes, rocking chairs, stereo, TV, mattress, misc items

Orlando Wells - A136 - Totes, bags, boxes

Donna Wagganer - D141 - Dresser, TV, computer, boxes, mattresses, Christmas decorations

Bernard Hicks - D167 - Dresser, TV, entertainment center, mattress, chair, air hockey, misc items

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TOP 50 JR. TOUR RESULTS - PAINT CREEK

Here are the results of the Top 50 Jr. Golf Tour's final day of the regular season, Aug. 1, at Paint Creek Country Club in Orion Twp.

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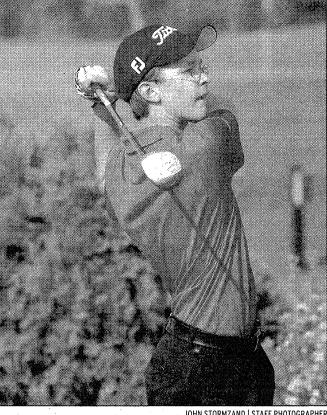
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Zach Conrad of Canton watches his drive split the fairway during Wednesday's Top 50 event.

JOHN STORMZAND | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

TOP 50

points) of Troy was second at 96 and Maggie Hughes of Lake Orion was third at 103.

Burns, who is only 17th in his division with 178 total points, fired a 72 to top all golfers on the day.

Brent Yurik of Oakland Township was two strokes back with a 74 and Vishal Shah of Troy carded a 75.

Brandon DeVita of Fenton was next with a 77 and Derek Estrada of Highland, Robbie Sims of Clarkston and James Uelmen of Ferndale all tied for fifth with a 78.

Shah's 577 tour points leads the pack heading into the state finals. Panek's round of 76 won the

younger boys division by just a stroke, edging Andrew Rickerman of Canton (77). Charles Vana of Holly (80), Brian Turner of West Bloomfield (81) and Shani Patel of Bloomfield Hills (83) rounded out the top five.

It was the second individual win on the summer for Panek.

Vana is the tour card leader with 587 points.

No ordinary ace: \$10,000 shot spans 3 generations

STAFF WRITER

Hole-in-ones have become common place in the game of golf, but Brighton's Robert Padget calls his \$10,000 ace shot "priceless."

Padget, playing in the Livonia Junior Athletic League golf outing July 27 at Fox Creek, used a 6-iron on the 150-yard, No. 3 hole to record his first-ever hole-in-one.

"It was a pretty shot," the 67-year-old Ford Motor Co. retiree. "I used my 150-yard club. It was the right height when I hit it. It bounced once and dropped it in. But the greatest thing is that I had my

grand kids there when I did it. They gave me 'high-5s.' It's a wonderful moment, something I'll keep for the rest of my life.

Ironically, Robert's son, Bob, Jr., of Westland, a coach in the LJAL, was scheduled to play in his foursome, but was "voted off" by his three sons, Robert III, 16; Blake, 13; and Dylan,

"They were very excited that they were going to be with me," said Robert, Sr., who has a total of 12 grand children. "They couldn't wait until the their father came in to tell them what happened. That's more important than the money."

And speaking of money, Padget isn't sure how he'll spend it all.

"After paying the bar tab - I bought everybody a round of drinks - and taxes, I'll make a gift," he said. "I may go on a European river cruise. My wife (Cathy) and I love to travel."

Ironically, Padget's wife, Kitty, beat him to the punch. She carded an ace six years ago at Fox Hills.

"I've come close, within a foot or two," Robert, Sr. said of his past near-misses. "I've been trying to play catch-up with her ever since.'

Robert, Sr., however, was bound to get his ace. The fortently shoots anywhere "from the low to mid-80s, and into the 90s." He plays 27 holes each

mer Canton resident consis-

Tuesday - 18 in a morning men's league at Brighton's Timber Trace, and nine later in the day in the evening at Fox Hills. Robert, Sr. also plays the third Wednesday of each month with a group that travels around to different area

And on Friday nights, Robert, Sr. and Kitty play in a couples league at the Links of Whitmore Lake.

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Kenneth Lim and fielded questions from the audience.

"I ignored the symptoms, it started at age 50," Daly said. "The three years I worked for Turner Broadcasting I always scouted and needed to find out the closest urinal. I used to get up three to four times per night. Finally I said, 'I need to see someone." When you talk about seeing a urologist, especially young guys, they want to run and hide. If you have similar symptoms, simply see a urologist and he will help you."

Daly now endorses a medication called Uroxatral. He also receives two prostate screenings each year.

"So far, so good," he said. "It's under control and I hope to keep it that way.'

Daly, who coached high school basketball in Punxsutawney, Pa., still maintains his sense of humor.

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He told the mostly middleage men's audience: "I'm going to tell you what Liz Taylor told her seventh husband. 'I'm going to make this brief."

Daly enjoys his summer returns to Michigan and reflected on his career in Detroit.

"I was here nine years, five unusual years," he said. "I left in '92. I was talking to Matt Dobek (Pistons Media Relations) the other day and he said we've had eight coaches in the last 15 years. So I'm proud of the nine years I lasted. I never made money until after I left here, so leave some money at the door (laughing)."

Daly is an avid golfer and recently had his knee replaced. "I got a new knee," he said.

"That's because I had to get down on my knees all the time begging those (NBA) guys to

Daly still keeps close tabs on the NBA and he commented on the recent blockbuster trade between Boston, which

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obtained All-Star Kevin Garnett, and Minnesota.

"For the immediate future, it's a great trade, it makes them a contender, but only time will determine that because you've got to develop chemistry," Daly said. As far as the Pistons re-

signing Chris Webber, Daly offers: "With him (Webber) it's 50-50, I don't know how he felt the way things ended up. I've heard different teams have shown interest. I don't know where he's at as far as his health or whether he wants to return. It's a gruelling season and he's been there before."

Daly's talk was sponsored by the Prostate Cancer Education

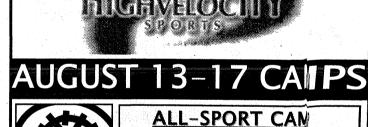
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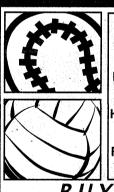
Chief Executive Officer of Garden City Hospital also urged the audience to get a prostate screening.

"The best health provider is you," he said.

The next prostatescreening will be from 8-11 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 23, at GC Hospital, located at 6255 Inkster Road, in the Allan Breakie Medical Office (lower level classrooms). Appointments are necessary (labwork fee only). (211 (734) 458-4330.

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Redford Rebels hope to turn A's seize Capitol Park crown

BY TIM SMITH STAFF WRITER

The wheels fell off fast for the Redford Rebels in Wednesday's finale of their debut season, suffering a 10-4 setback to the visiting Huntington Woods Cats.

After the Rebels raced out to a 2-0 lead in the second against Cats under the lights at Capitol Park, starting pitcher Ryan Smith suddenly lost the strike zone in the top of the fourth.

Before the frame ended, 12 Cats came up to the plate and seven scored - with six walks and three wild pitches doing most of the damage.

Despite the sudden momentum switch, the Rebels did not quit and tacked on a couple late runs to bring a smile of satisfaction to manager Bruce Corner.

"They (Cats) didn't hit the ball hard on us," he said. "They really had just one hit all night, but that's baseball. But we never quit, and that's one of the things I was most

impressed about with these guys. One of our mottos is (plav) seven innings."

Keying Redford's early rally were back-to-back doubles by Smith (Thurston) and Bobby Ray (Redford Union), followed by a run-scoring fielder's choice off the bat of Jeremy Wafer (Thurston). Ray later brought in a run with a sacrifice fly.

According to Corner, who was ejected midway through the contest for disputing an umpire's ruling on a play at third base, the season didn't go as well as he hoped.

The U-16 travel team - believed to be the first of its kind in Redford - finished with a record of 9-18 in the. Midwest Alliance Travel Baseball League.

But Corner has more than enough optimism that the program will begin to gain some steam entering into

"This was a great experience for the kids," Corner said. "It was a great experience for the coaching staff as well. When you're going in as a first-year team, you know you're going to have some ups and downs.

He said the team's coaches will try to get a jump on next year by talking to high school athletic directors about pinpointing prospective players and by monitoring players during the winter as they practice at the Bullpen, a facility in Farmington Hills.

"We'll add a few more pieces and get fired up for the spring," Corner said.

Meanwhile, the Rebels opened the home-and-home series Tuesday against the Cats with a 7-5 road victory.

Earning the victory was Bobby Ray, with a completegame one-hitter and eight strikeouts.

Leading the hitting for Redford were Jesse Hess (two hits), Joe McCulloch (two hits, two RBI) and Jason Ellrich (double, two runs, two RBI). Contributing a two-run single was Mark McRobb, while other RBI were collected by Eric Ely and Zac Carroll.

Corner during 2008 season with 2-1 triumph versus Reds

Charlie Finley is somewhere up their smiling after the West Division champion A's edged the East Division champion Reds, 2-1, for the first-ever Capitol Park Senior Little League title for ages 13-15 held on July 27 in Redford.

Ryan Showalter's RBI sacrifice fly in the bottom of the eighth. inning scoring Joe Solimanto accounted for the game-winning run. Solimanto led off the inning with a walk and advanced to third on a wild pick-off throw.

The championship game featured strong pitching and

A's pitcher Anthony Stadler went 7.1 innings, allowing only one run.

Reds counterpart Bobby Andrus, celebrating his 14th birthday, worked himself in-andout of trouble for five innings.

Following the game, A's manager Tom Allison accepted the championship trophy with his team congratulated by Reds coaches Bill Sullivan, Brian Gehan and Derek Street in a show of sportsmanship.

The A's, who captured the West Division with a 10-2 record, used one big inning to dispose of the Mets (managed by Tom Small) in the tournament on July 23.

In second game, the Reds held off a determined Dodgers squad, managed by Mike Klix and Brian Luark, 7-5, as catcher Dallas Martin made a diving catch of a two-out pop fly in foul territory with the tying runs on base. On July 25, the West Division

The 2007 A's roster includes Tom Allison, assistant coaches Curt Smart and Vince Griffin; players Tyler Cooley, Jacob Corr, Erik Elrich, Justin Forrestall, Nick Griffin, Ryan Griffin, Robert Kniffen, Kyle Peltier, Steve Rakowski, Ryan Showalter, Joe Solimanto, Anthony Stadler. The 2007 Reds roster includes manager Bill Sullivan; assistant coaches Brian Gehan, Derek Street, Pat D'annunzio and Laurie D'annunzio; players Bobby Andrus, Ben Baker, Robbie D'annunzio, Syd Davis, Ben Gehan, Brandon Kremhelmer, Dallas Martin, Jordan Mayes, Ryan Powell, Justin Street and Tylar Street.

Braves took advantage of a fielding miscue to score the gamewinning run in the bottom of the ninth inning to beat the East Division Indians, coached by Jimmy Matties and Robert Calverly, in a battle of secondplace teams.

On July 26, the Braves, coached by Dan Bisaro and Jerry Tierman, fell to the Reds in a slugfest, 13-12.

With the Reds leading 13-10 in the bottom of the seventh inning, the Braves' Dylan Bross brought his team to within two on an RBI ground rule double which trav eled 325 feet to left field.

Colin Aldridge followed with an RBI line single to center, but the game-tying run was denied on the play thanks to an Andrus' laster-like throw to the plate for the game-ending out.

Capitol Park picnic

The Capitol Park Senior Little League will stage a picnic for players and their families, alongwith an early registration for next season at a reduced cost, from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 5 at Capitol Park, which featured a lush new infield grass and red clay infield topping.

The first-year league is comprised of players from the Redford-American Little League and North-Redford Central Little League with boundaries including Telegraph and east of I-275 on the west; Nine Mile road on the north; and Joy Road on the south. For more information about the league or registration for 2008, call Bill Sullivan at (313) 535-8143.

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Concealed stays perfect in CABA tourney

Concealed Security remained the only undefeated team through Thursday's doubleelimination round of the 11year-old Continental Amateur Baseball Association World Series held in Crystal Lake, Ill.

Concealed, 5-0 in pool play, clubbed three homers in an 11-4 triumph over Lake County

Austin Stevens (Livonia) drilled a 3-run homer in the second inning to make it 4-0 followed by John Slater's round-tripper on the next at-bat for a five-run margin. Brennan Williams (Commerce), who went 3-for-4, contributed a 2-run homer in the sixth.

Mike Vomastek (Livonia), Alex Roed (West Bloomfield) and Slater each collected three hits in the victory to keep Concealed and Elk Grove (Ill.) as the only undefeated teams in the double-elimination

bracket. Six other teams remained

alive with one loss. On Wednesday, Concealed defeated Rockford (Ill.), 14-6, and the Indianapolis Express, 12-4, both four-inning mercies.

Jake Ginser (Commerce) went 2-for-3 with four RBI, while Williams added two hits, scored twice and knocked in two runs in the win over Rockford.

Vomastek also had two

this and two RBI, while Jake Semak (Livonia) had three RBI, a hit and two walks. Rockford pitchers walked

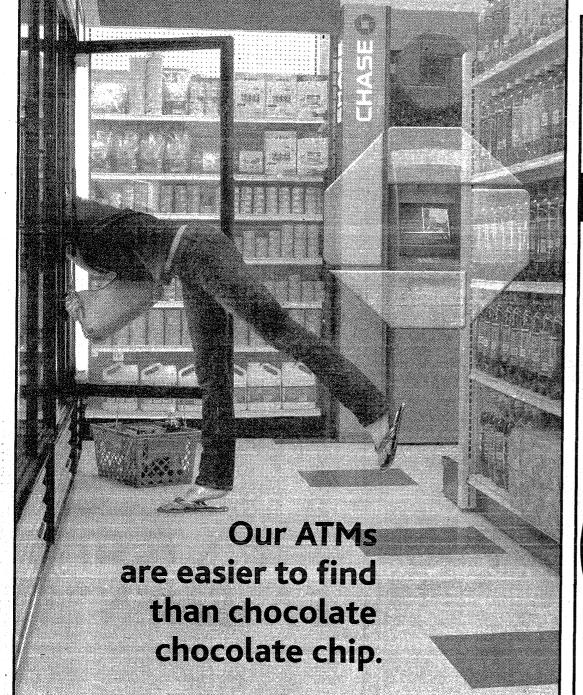
seven batters. Slater, the winning pitcher, allowed four earned runs on six hits and two walks in four

innings. In the win over Indy, Concealed rallied for a 4-0 deficit with six runs in the top of the second inning and six more in the fourth.

Roed led the way with three hits and two RBI. Dee Jawad and Ginser each added two hits and two RBI.

Ginser, who pitched two scoreless innings, got the win in relief of the starter Roed.





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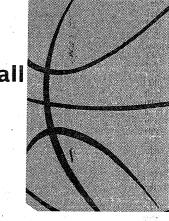
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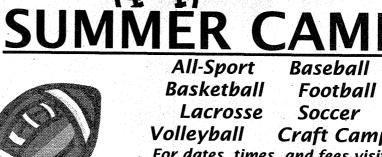
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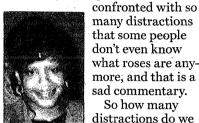
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Living your life with no distractions

here is something so gratifying and simplistic about watching a beautiful sunset as the day comes to an end or just spending time sipping a cup of your favorite tea early on a quiet Sunday morn-

These are just two things that give some of us pleasure, but for many of us these simple, gratifying things get overlooked, passed over and pushed to the back of our lives.

I am sure you've heard the saying "Take time to smell the roses." Well, in this day and age, we seem to be



Bobbie Jones

many distractions that some people don't even know what roses are anymore, and that is a sad commentary. So how many distractions do we have to deal with

in everyday life?

Believe me, I have seen them all, from the latest in fancy technology, from iPods to flat screen TVs. Hunting equipment seems to be a big one and the all famous "big boy" toys — cars, ATVs, boats and the like.

Work for many of us is a common distraction as you may already know. How many times have you heard this excuse or even used it yourself: "Honey, I can't go to your

family reunion — I have to work."
Sounds familiar, right? And even with all the forms of distractions we have, nothing seems to satisfy. I have watched individuals spend 15 minutes on video games, then move on to chatting on the computer, then jump to watching TV and the next thing that comes out of their mouth is, "I'm bored."

Believe me, I can't see how that is possible; if I did all of that I'd need a nap, but maybe that's just me.

I can't begin to express how grateful I felt when a self-professed got-to-have-it gadget guy friend of mine finally said the words that inspired me to write this piece. After weeks of trying to plan a gettogether, trying to juggle schedules and commitments and just everyday life, we finally got a chance to have dinner and catch up on each other's lives.

When my friend told me he knew all the time he spent collecting the latest upgrades in satellite radio and golf equipment that he would never use and how all of this was just a form of distraction and he knew life had so much more to offer, I was so thankful for his selfrevelation.

My friend and I aren't the only ones who long for a simpler time and more peace and control over our lives, but let me be the first to say that if we don't step up and do it for ourselves, no one else will.

Prime example of what I mean: I am so tired of trying to have a conversation with someone and every other minute their cell phone is going off and rest assured that every call that comes in is most important and must be answered right away - NOT!

The only people I can think of that may be that important when it comes to phone calls are the president of the United States or some other world leader. And trust me, I am not friends with Mr. Bush or former Prime Minister Tony Blair.

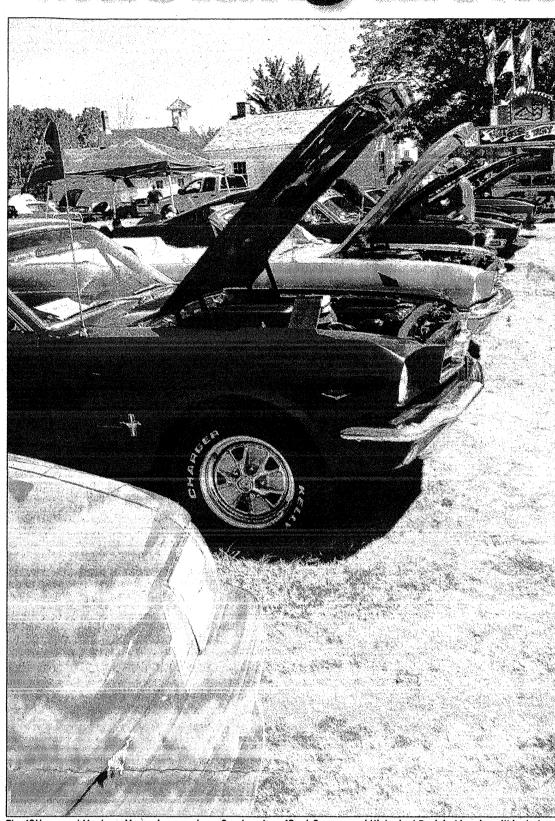
So with that said, I have made it a goal to ditch the cell phone well, not chain myself to it is more like it. I must admit I never did, but the simple fact of seeing people act like they can't live without it makes me cringe and it is one big distrac-

Let your family and friends know that quality time with them is important, more so than any gadget could ever be. Believe me, my friends, the iPhone won't raise your kids or plan their birthday parties.

So if you want your life to mean something, it's up to you. It's up to all of us to make the necessary changes that will garner us a life worth living.

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Mustang memories



The 19th-annual Mustang Memories car show, Sunday, Aug. 12, at Greenmead Historical Park in Livonia, will include about 40 categories.

Last year's Mustang Memories event drew more than 350 cars to Livonia's Greenmead Historical Park.



Ford buffs gather to talk about the cars they love

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

f there's one thing car buffs love, it's a chance to hang out and talk with other car buffs.

If everything goes as hoped next weekend, between 400-500 Ford enthusiasts will have the chance to do exactly that when the Mustang Owners Club of Southeastern Michigan hosts its 19th annual "Mustang Memories" car show at Livonia's Greenmead Historic Park, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 12.

CARS ON DISPLAY

What: 19th annual

Mustang Memories

When: 8 a.m. to 5

p.m. Sunday, Aug. 12

Where: Greenmead

Why: Ford cars in

vying for "Best of

donation; children

Show" trophies

How much: \$4

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some 40 categories

Historical Park

in Livonia

car show

Car enthusiasts will gather to have their autos judged in some 40 different categories, both stock and modified, and to help raise money for charity. Mostly, though, they come for each

other. "It's

www.mocsem.com the kind of show that shows off the hard work participants put into their cars," said Bob Paul of Plymouth, who will once again take part in the show. "It's a place for fellow car enthusiasts to get together."

Details:

The show drew some 365 cars and 1,300 spectators last year, and show organizers are hoping for a better turnout this year.

"The interest in Fords is still there," said Mike Rey, the show chairman and club vice president who hopes this year's show draws 1,500 spectators. "The Mustang is definitely one of the most popular cars."

It's the club's third year at Greenmead. The show used to be held at the Wilson Barn on Middlebelt at West Chicago, but it outgrew that site.

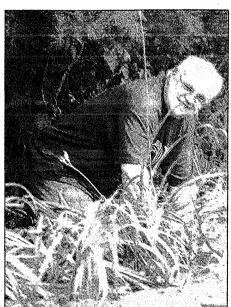
When club officials started scouting other sites, Greenmead seemed a natural fit.

"We had so many entries, we didn't have any place to put the cars," Rey said of the barn. "Greenmead is perfect. It gives us plenty of room and a great ambience."

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Magical garden

Boy Scouts transform area at historical park



Scoutmaster Bob Tacoma plants day lilies alongside the renovated Newburg Church Garden at Greenmead Historical Park.

BY ANGELA HARRIS CORRESPONDENT

The overgrown lilac bush did not want to come out. Neither did the massive trees or weeds sprouting from every possible inch. But after 12 hours of gardening, more than 30 volunteers led by Boy Scout Matthew Macinkowicz of Troop 1382 of Livonia, transformed the Newburg Church garden at Greenmead Historical Park. The troop is based out of VFW Hall 3941 in Livonia.

"I thought, 'oh, my Lord. This is never going to get done," said Holly Root, a volunteer Scout mother when she first saw the garden. "Now, it looks wonderful. It's great for the community."

The garden is an area used

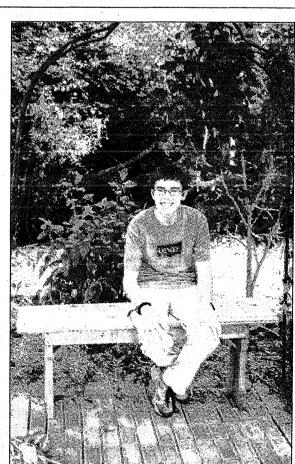
for photographs by people celebrating events at the church located in the historical park at Newburgh and Eight Mile in Livonia. It is especially pop ular for wedding photos.

After removing a 10-foot lilac bush, an 8- by 4-foot evergreen, 4- by 4-foot evergreen, and several small trees, the volunteers transformed the overgrown garden into a "place for anyone to come and sit and look at nature and enjoy," Root said.

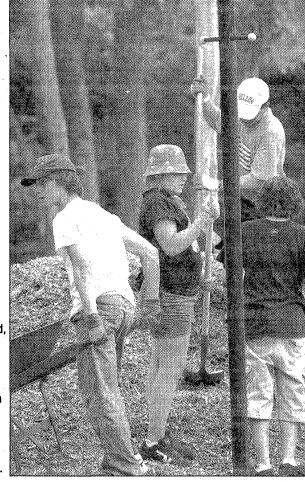
MANY HANDS

Volunteers rebuilt the brick retaining wall behind the garden and sitting area. They also mulched, replanted with period appropriate flowers and refurbished the paths. Antique

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Matthew Macinkowicz sits on the bench under the arbor in the newly renovated sitting area in the garden next to the Newburg Church at Greenmead Historical Park.



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Boy Scout Chris Arnold, 15, left, of Livonia and other volunteers move mulch into the Newburg Church Garden at Greenmead.

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bricks now outline the inner gardens to create a uniform boundary.

The garden helps to capture the romance of the Victorian era using roses, coral bells, balloon flowers, scabiosas, alyssum, yellow corydalis, and various other flowers and shrubs from the turn of the 20th century.

"I was amazed at how neat it looks," said Marian Renaud, program supervisor at the historical park. "There is a variety of species in such a small space. It's very quaint. It's a very sprene little place. It's a great accent for the church."

To keep the workers hydrated throughout the project, Trader Joe's of Northville donated multiple cases of water, vitamin water and snacks.

"We like to get involved in the community and any chance we have to help the community, we feel it's a situation where everyone wins," said Chris Franklin.

The project, which took place on June 30, and July 1, was Macinkowicz's Eagle Scout project, which has been in the planning since December 2006 when Macinkowicz approached his aunt and Advanced Master Gardener Ann Marie Macinkowicz-Harris about helping her do the restoration.

"The church garden had to be completely renovated because it had become an overgrown eye sore," Macinkowicz-Harris said. "Each year, it became more of an overwhelming task to maintain the integrity of the garden."

MAKING CHOICES

Supervising the workers and making the decisions was the hardest part for Macinkowicz because he was afraid he would not always make good decisions.

"It only takes a minute to make a bad decision that you will regret for the rest of your life. I saw that in a movie once," Macinkowicz said.

Prior to the project, Macinkowicz, who has Asperger's syndrome, a form of autism, was concerned about having enough volunteers to accomplish everything that needed to be done, but said he was wrong.

was wrong.
"Saturday was good because
we got a lot of work done,"



Jade Piechota, 17, of Livonia plants hydrangea in the Newburg Church Garden at Greenmead Historical Park.

Macinkowicz said. "The garden looks tremendous, beautiful,

gorgeous."

The purpose of doing the project is to teach the scouts about project management and give them an opportunity to control and run a project with children and adults start to finish, said Bob Tacoma, Scoutmaster.

"It is a really big job and everyone worked well together," Tacoma said. "It was really fun."

Assistant Scout Master Rick Cummings said he enjoyed watching the "good scout spirit" and teamwork that everyone showed despite being together for such a long time.

Through working on his project, Macinkowicz said he learned how to be in charge and that a lot can happen over time.

'EXCEEDED MY EXPECTATIONS'

"I was somewhat concerned about Matt in his role because of his disability and that he may become overwhelmed," said Henry Macinkowicz, Matt's father. "I am really proud of how he handled it. He exceeded my expectations."

Macinkowicz's project included multiple tasks and times of reassigning roles, something that other projects may not have, Henry Macinkowicz said.

Not only did Macinkowicz have to plan roles for the day of the project, but also purchase the plants, make sure the proper tools and supplies would be available on the day of the event, plan around events at the church, and plan a budget which was submitted to the historical park for approval.

"He even set the weather up," Henry Macinkowicz said. "It was perfect weather — not too hot."

Cummings said he was very impressed with Macinkowicz's leadership and the job he did.

"Hats off to Matt," Cummings said. "He has a heart of gold."

MUSTANGS

In addition to the stock- and modified-class judging, categories also include daily driver and display class. Club members will have their cars judged separately, and "Best of Show" trophies will be handed out.

Rey said judging categories were expanded this year because owners of cars other than Mustangs felt they were being bunched together with cars that belonged in other categories.

And club members will have their cars judged by members of the Mustang Club of Mid-Michigan to avoid the appearance of favoritism.

"It's really a Ford and Mustang show, so we added a lot of classes to reach out to try and get everybody accommodated," Rey said. "Our member cars will be judged separately so people don't think, if we get a trophy, it's because we're a club member."

The show obviously showcases Mustangs, from as far back as 1964, as well as other Ford vehicles.

But Rey said the most popular just might be the most recent ones, as new as 2005.

Rey said when he joined last year, the club had "maybe four or five" people who owned the newer

"Now that's probably more like 20 or 25," Rey said. "Interest in the new cars has gone way up. They're very popular."

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While participants will be
vying for the various trophies,

they'll also be trying to raise large

sums of money for charity.
Proceeds from the show will
benefit, in part, the American
Red Cross, the American Cancer
Society, Children's Hospital of
Michigan, the Humane Society
of Monroe County, Gilda's House
and Rainbow Connection.

Last year's show raised some \$7,000, and Rey said they're hoping to at least match that.

"That was a huge number and far exceeded what we expected to do last year, and if we could raise that again, that'd be great," Rey said. "That's definitely important to us. It's us giving back. It helps the club keep going, and if we can give back, that's a great feeling."

And while that's all well and good, in the end the car enthusiasts will be just as happy about simply being together.

"It's a chance for car enthusiasts to talk to people about restoration," said Paul, the Plymouth man who helps run a car show in Plymouth every week during the summer. "There's a lot of camaraderie that comes out of this."

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It's Christmas in August at the American Lung Association of Michigan (ALAM). As part of its efforts to raise funds to support lung health research, education and advocacy, ALAM is currently selling holiday cards.

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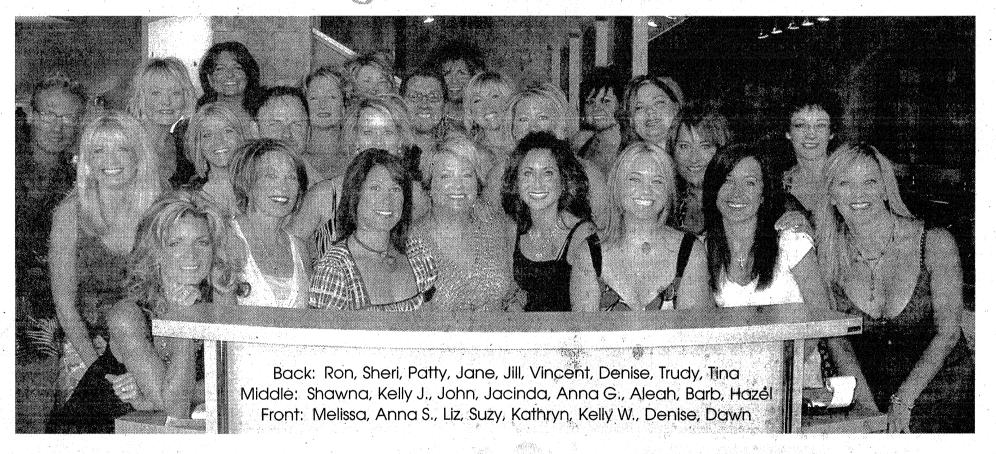
Proceeds from the sale of cards will support the organization's mission to prevent lung disease and promote lung health. ALAM has embarked on a year-long, statewide Catch

Your Breath: Women's Lung Health Campaign to raise awareness about women's lung health and funds for research into lung disease.

More than 70,000 women will die this year from lung cancer, more than from breast, ovarian and cervical cancers combined. Nearly 10,000 Michigan women are living with life-threatening lung diseases such as lung cancer, asthma, emphysema, and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). Thousands more have died. At the same time, lung cancer in never smokers is on the rise. Non-smokingassociated lung cancer is higher among women than men, and second-hand smoke has been established as a major cause.

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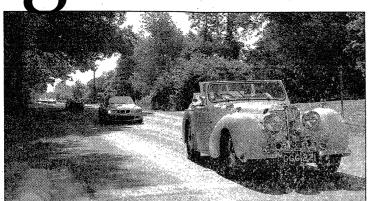
Sir Callaby is no "trailer queen." Hermann Schaller of Clarkston wouldn't think of carting his 1949 Triumph 2000 Roadster - dubbed Sir Callaby because of its aristocratic design created by Frank Callaby — like a trophy, on the back of a trailer bed. He likes to get behind the wheel of his prized vehicle and drive to Detroit Triumph Sportscar Club events, vintage auto shows, to dinner with club members and for an occasional spin in the country.

"Of course, I'd never drive in the rain. I have to be careful in traffic because people don't expect a turning signal coming out the side of a car," said Schaller, whose car uses an old fashioned turn signal called a trafficator.

He'll exhibit Sir Callaby in the prestigious Concours d'Elegance next weekend at Meadow Brook Hall in Rochester Hills. It's Schaller's first time participating as an exhibitor. He hopes to drive in the Concours motoring tour from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., on Friday, Aug. 3, as well as display Sir Callaby from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., on the grounds at Meadow Brook.

"Some of the exotic cars at Meadow Brook's Concours may not really be used. They are trailer queens, brought in by trailer and put on display," Schaller said, adding that some are too valuable to risk driving on city streets.

"It's nice to have an old car and drive it. I like taking the back



Hermann Schaller of Clarkston will show his 1949 Triumph Roadster at the Concours d'Elegance, held on the grounds of Meadow Brook Hall in **Rochester Hills**

roads out towards Fenton. I'll meet members for dinner at a club event. Last year I drove about FEW MANUFACTURED 1,200 miles. This year it definitely will be more, may 2,000 miles."

Like Schaller, Dana Hansen of Rochester Hills likes to drive his sporty 1970 De Tomaso Mangusta GT Coupe around town. He's also a first-time Concours d'Elegance exhibitor this year.

"I was quite honored to be asked in the show. I'm a do-ityourselfer. I did amateur car restoration in the past. Cars have been my life," said Hansen, who also owns a replica of a 1965 Shelby Cobra.

He likes to drive the Mangusta to local cruises, car shows and to dinner out with his wife.

"I was so taken with the design and styling of this car that I created an information Web site, Mangustainternational.com. It's generating so much interest in the Mangusta community."

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The car, one of about 401 produced by De Tomaso from 1967-71, turns heads wherever it goes. Car designer Giorgetto Giugiaro was about 19 years old and working for Ghia when he designed the Mangusta GT's shark-like exterior. American designer, Tom Tjaarda, who later designed the exterior of the Pantera, styled the Mangusta interior. The car has an American Ford engine in the back of the vehicle, Italian body and a German transaxle.

"My wife and I came out of a restaurant once and noticed nose prints on the back. I just chuckle to myself. I'm not an attention type person. I am passionate

Wing doors in the back of the car allow access to the engine.

CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE

What: 200 vintage autos on display When: 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 5 Where: Meadow Brook Hall, on the Oakland University campus in **Rochester Hills**

Details: Related events include a fashion show and party on Thursday, Aug. 2; motor tour, art exhibit, auction on Friday, Aug. 3; breakfast and auction on Saturday, Aug. 4

Tickets: Tickets for the Concours on Sunday, Aug. 5 are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the gate. Call (248) 269-7672 or visit www.meadowbrookconcours.corg/

They and the car hood are made of aluminum. The rest of the car

"All of the elements combined result in a unique style car. It is very low in height - 40 inches from the ground to the roof of the car — and it's also quite wide because it's an Italian design. To me the car is styling first and functionality second. When you sit in the car you conform to the form. There's no chance the carwill accommodate you."

Hansen said he spent an entire winter removing and dismantling everything "from the driver's seat

Being able to speak with the car's last owner and it's first owner helped with research.

"I was so drawn to the car before I owned it. I went to Meadow Brook and saw the car parked there. I was talking to its owner when the original owner and his wife walked up. We stay in touch and I've learned a lot of neat

stories about the car." Hansen, who works in the "tooling side" of the auto supply industry, suspects about 200 Mangustas are left in the world. Four of them are in Michigan.

Schaller, who also works in the auto supply industry, saw the Triumph 2000 Roadster for the first time while on a trip to Singapore.

"I said that would be the car for me. Then I was looking for one and they are hard to find."

Schaller, who grew up in Germany, joined a Roadster club based in England.

"They pointed out to me one car for sale in the states and one in England."

MAKING IMPROVEMENTS

He found Sir Callaby in Chicago, Ill., owned by an attorney who "didn't know much about technology."

"That is not a good idea for a car," said Schaller, who has improved the brakes, cooling system and other mechanical systems since buying the car in 2006.

"The car is as original as is reasonable or possible. When I bought it, it didn't have the original engine. The outside of the car and the interior is one of the most original of its kind. Cars didn't have flashing turning signals, they had trafficators that came out of

the car like a hand. My car still has that. "It's the last car built with a rumble seat and has a second windshield that comes up to pro-

tect people in the back. It's pretty The car won honors in other shows last year, including the top people's choice and judge's choice award at one event. At a show in southwest Michigan, it received the sponsoring club's president award for being the most interest-

ing vehicle. "Tve always liked nice classic lines. You know what's wrong with today's car? Performance-wise they are fantastic, but they don't have the charm that cars used to have pecifically the interior with and the wooden dasid wards.

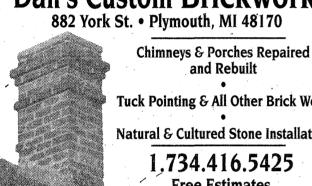
"They've become so well done and reasonable," Schaller said, with a sigh. "In former times, cars." were rolling sculptures."

Schaller is looking forward to the Concours d'Elegance. Like Hansen, he also was invited to fill out an application to be considered for the show.

"It was like applying for a job application. It's a big thing because none of our cars ever made it into Meadow Brook."

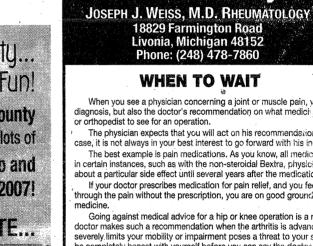
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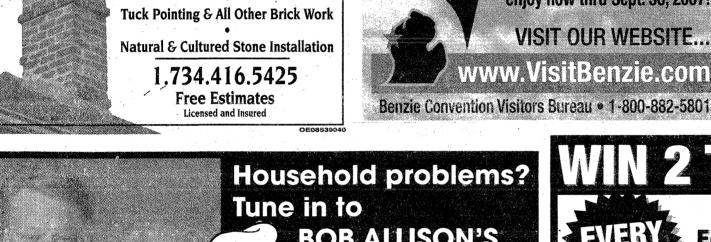
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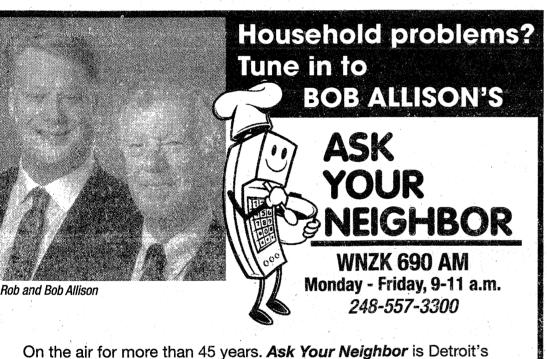
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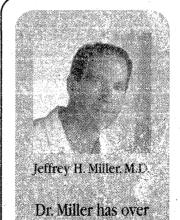
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ENGAGEMENTS

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The bride-to-be is a 1999 graduate of Patrick Henry High School and 2003 graduate of Bluffton College with a degree in child development. She is employed as a child care resource and referral specialist with N.O.C.A.C.

The prospective groom is a 1999 graduate of St. John's Jesuit and a 2003 graduate of Bowling Green State University with a degree in criminal justice. He is employed as a police officer



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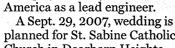
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Koss-Beckman

Pat and Mary Koss of Redford announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Marie Koss of Westland, to Robert Alan Beckman, son of Linda Beckman of Clarkston.

The bride-to-be is a 2000 graduate of Madonna University with a bachelor of science in nursing. She is a registered nurse at Garden City Hospital.

The prospective groom is a 1998 graduate of Oakland University with a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering. He received a master's degree at OU in engineering management. He



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planned for St. Sabine Catholic Church in Dearborn Heights, followed by a reception at Burton Manor in Livonia. The couple will take a Hawaiian cruise for a honeymoon.

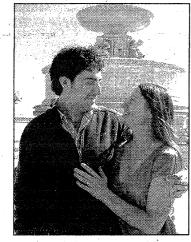
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Hodur-Coccia

Diane Angela Hodur of Dearborn Heights and Michael James Coccia of Livonia are planning to be wed May 16, 2008, at Lovett Hall at Greenfield Village.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Czeslawa Hodur of Dearborn Heights. She is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University. She is a gymnastics instructor at the Livonia Family Y.

The prospective groom is the son of Rebecca and James Coccia of Livonia. He is graduate of Eastern Michigan University and works as a wine



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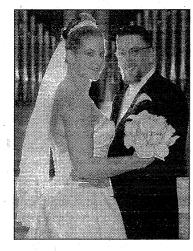
Karakula-Martin

Jessica Karakula of Livonia and Travis Martin of Indiana were united in marriage Aug. 5, 2006, at St. John's Chapel in Plymouth.

Jessica is the daughter of Barbara and Stephen Karakula. Travis is the son of Verna Dell Martin.

Jessica graduate from Ladywood High School and Eastern Michigan University. She teaches in Leavenworth, Kans.

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Detroit Cooley

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A 45-year reunion is planned for 7 p.m. to 2 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 18, 2007, at Camp Ticonderoga Restaurant, Troy. For information: www. seaholm62.org. Contact: Greg Frontier at gfrontier@aol.com or Charlotte (Bosworth) Follis at cafollis@mybluelight.com.

Bishop Borgess Class of 1977

A 30-year reunion Saturday, Sept. 8,

A 20-year reunion, Sept. 15, 2007,

borgess87@hotmail.com for more information **Burt Elementary and Junior High**

Class of 1967 For information contact Contacts:

Nykamp at suenykamp@yahoo.com or Margaret Hadcock Gallagher at edgal-Clawson High School

Sept. 22, at the Hilton Detroit-Troy on ClawsonHS62@aol.com or call Mary at (248)593-6182.

Dearborn High School

5, at the O'Kelly Banquet Hall, 23663 at 2 p.m. with buffet dinner at 4 p.m. Call Marianne Hoak (313)274-9064 or Carolyn Haseltine Chambon (734)420-

Class of 1977

cox.net with your current address and phone number.

A 50th Reunion is being planned Pat Gorski-Zielinski, (989) 366-9288.

Sunday, Aug. 19, 2007 at Drake Park, between Maple and 14 Mile Road in West Bloomfield. Contact Jack (Jake) Ginsburg at (248)842-1738 or Paul Davidson at (248)851-2355. **Detroit Cody**



A 40th reunion will be held 6:30-11:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8, at Laurel Manor Special Event Center in Livonia. Seeking January, June and summer graduates from 1967. For information, call Ellen (Neihoff) VanderRoest at (248)684-7705 or email chuckandelvan@comcast.net.

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Looking for classmates for a 30-year reunion. Information at henryfordhighschool.com.

Detroit Holy Redeemer Class of 1957

A 50-year reunion. Oct. 12, 2007, at O'Kelley KofC Council, Dearborn. In interested in attending or know the whereabouts or former classmates, contact John Duff at oliverlynn@aol. com or phone (734)261-3346.

Detroit Mackenzie Class of 1957

Looking for graduates to attend a reunion scheduled for Oct. 19, 2007. Call Eleanor at (734)425-8278.

Detroit Osborn

Classes of 1970, '71, '72 Saturday, Oct. 27, 2007. Best Western Sterling Inn, Sterling Heights. Alumni can update their addresses by either calling Sharon at (734)261-3264 or e-mailing celebrationstoremember@ vahoo.com. Visit Web site at ctrinc. divincinet.com

Detroit Western Class of 1962

A 45-year reunion will be held in Sept., 15, 2007 at Warren Valley Country Club, Dearborn Heights. Seeking information on classmates from that year. All other classes welcome. Contact Helen Knights at (734)285-4927 or Ralph Brighton at (734)513-7499.

Classes of 30s, 40s. 50s Sept. 21, 2007, Dearborn Hills Golf

Club. \$25. Contact Simon Hachigian at (313)565-4997.

Detroit Redford Class of 1967

A 40-year reunion, Friday, Aug. 17, at Embassy Suites, Livonia. Buffet dinner with cash bar. \$60 per person, Contact Sandi911@comcast.net or call (248)646-8134.

Detroit Southwestern Class of 1957

A 50-year reunion is being planned for September 2007. Looking for January and June graduates. If interested in attending or know of the whereabouts of other classmates, contact Angie (Conz) Maccani at (313) 532-4379 or Ken Suski at (313) 291-5450.

Detroit St. Theresa Class of 1961

Sept. 22. 2007. For information, contact Dick Johnson at Sttheresa1961@

aol.com. **East Lansing High School**

Class of 1957 A 50-year reunion, Aug. 24-26. For information, contact Linda Foster at

(517)543-3041.

St. Mary of Redford All classes

St. Mary of Redford School Alumni "All Class Sock Hop" (Reunion) will be Saturday, Oct. 6; 4 p.m. Mass, 6 p.m. Reunion. For information, contact: Dave DiPonio at ddiponio@wadetrim. com or (313) 363-6153 or Jamie Sloan at jes521970@aol.com or (248) 391-0607. The Sock Hop will be held in the "Old" SMR Gym on Mansfield in-Detroit. Reservations by Sept. 14.

Fordson High School **Garden City High School** Class of 1972

A 35-year reunion is planned for Saturday Oct. 13, 2007. For more information, contact Lori Howe Richardson at (734)421-7808 or Ihowerich@hotmail.com or Sharon Burke Parkila at (734)421-3108 or sparkila72@aol.com.

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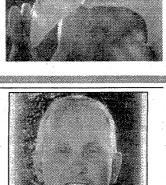
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MARK CUMBO

Age 49, passed away on June 2, 2007 after a brave battle with pancreatic cancer. Mark is survived by his wife, Norma, daughter Jordan, son Evan, mother Joan Cumbo, siblings Ron Cumbo, Denise (Rick) Brewis, Robert Cumbo, Kathy (Tim) Williams, Janet (Spencer) Krueger, Jim Cumbo and mother-in-law Pati Bonanno. Preceded in death by his father, Milton, brother, Paul and father-in-law Bill Bonanno. Along with being a very loving and devoted husband and father, Mark was very active as an usher at St. Edith, he coached and played hockey for the Livonia Hockey Association and was dedicated to his work at Lenover's Building Products in Livonia. He will be missed by many friends and family. Mark was laid to rest on July 2, 2007 in the Cremation Garden at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

MARILYN G. DRAHEIM

(nee Vent) Age 70, August 1, 2007. Loving wife of 48 years to Robert, devoted mother of son Craig of Battle Creek, also survived by many nieces and nephews. Marilyn was a dedicated and caring elementary school teacher to hundreds of children and taught in the Wyandotte, Flint and Garden city school districts A Memorial gathering of family and friends will be scheduled at a later date. Arrangements were made by the Cremation Society of Michigan. Memorials may be made to the charity of your choice.

REGINA M. LESNAU

August 3, 2007, age 85. Loving wife of John. Beloved mother of Sharon Waller, Bob (Marilyn), John (Mary Ann), Jim, and Roman (Kathleen). Grandmother of 12, great-grandmother of 20, and great-grandmother of one. Family will receive friends at A. J. Desmond & Sons Funeral Home, 2600 Crooks Road (between Maple and Big Beaver) Monday 2-9 PM. Memorial Service Monday at 7 PM. View obituary and share memories at: www.DesmondFuneralHome.com



daughters, Shannon Lewis of Westville, OK and Meghan (Keith)

Banton, of Rapid City, SD, and three

loving grandchildren, Brealyn Lewis, Maclane Lewis and Delaney Holland.

She was a caring daughter to Maurice

F. Dever of Farmington, and a won-

derful sister to Susan (Martin)

Zapinski, of Farmington, and Michael

(Kit) Dever of Jackson, MI. A devoted

aunt to Tracye (Mark) O'Brien, Tonye

(Daniel) Nadwornik, Terrye (Andrew)

Kraft, Tandye Zapinski, Jason Dever

and Faith Dever, she also leaves a host

of grandnieces and nephews and host

of friends she made around the coun-

try. Affiliated with the University

Baptist Church of Fayetteville, AR

she still kept old friends at 1st United

Methodist Church of Farmington, MI

and new friends at the Church of

Jesus Christ of Latter Days Saints in

Livonia, MI. She leaves in sorrow, her

mother-in-law Pat (Bud) Brake and

family of Texas, and her oldest friend

Shirley (Dennis) Palm of Westland,

MI. She is pre-deceased by her hus-

band, Kevin Mock, her mother, Betty

F. Dever, her aunt, Virginia Dever and

her granddaughter, Faye Elizabeth

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It's important to limit your cholesterol intake

Robert from Farmington Hills e-mails saying he has high cholesterol. How important is it for him to lower it? Robert, it is extremely important! A number of studies

proved lowering your overall cholesterol can reduce your risk of heart disease and stroke. More than 100,000,000 Americans suffer with high cholesterol and experts have found what you eat is a major cause of the condition. So what can you do? Cut down on saturated fat and avoid trans fat.

> your HDL, the good kind. Limit your daily cholesterol intake to less

> than 200 milligrams a day and increase your complex carbohydrates and fiber, which includes fruits, vegetables and whole

Research found trans fats increase your

LDL, the bad cholesterol, and decreases

Frank from Novi says he is having a hard time remembering things he never used to forget, like telephone numbers. What can he do? Well Frank, the first thing you need to do is exercise your

brain. That is right, just like you exercise your body you

need to do aerobics for your brain.

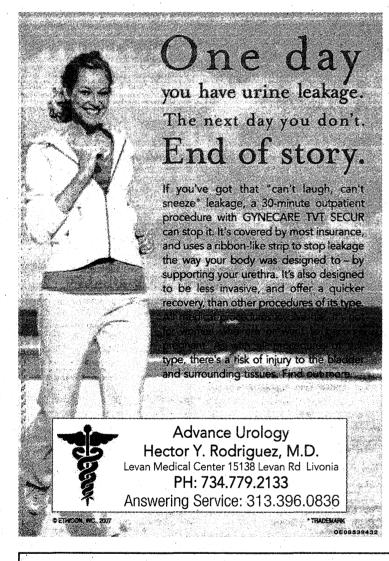
Researchers studied thousands of patients suffering with memory loss and found three things you can do right now to improve your memory.

First, expand your brain. You can widen your brain regions by reading aloud, drawing a picture or writing

down information. It will help you remember it later. Next, repeat, repeat,

When you want to remember something you just heard, repeat it out loud. Finally, challenge yourself. Do activities that force you to concentrate like crossword puzzles or try a new hobby or project which requires skills you aren't

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Cutting-edge

Cyberknife beams radiation with precision accuracy

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

yberknife technology is not only changing the way Dr. Geoffrey Thomas treats patients at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor, but who he treats.

The neurosurgeon would never have considered removing a tumor in the 96-year-old man he saw two weeks ago, but that was before the hospital purchased a \$4 million Cyberknife, which isn't a knife at all but a robotic radiosurgery system designed to emit beams of radiation with precision accuracy.

Thomas was all smiles as he talked about the man who still rides his bike. Cyberknife uses image guidance technology and computer controlled robotics to treat previously inoperable tumors. "I might have said we can't

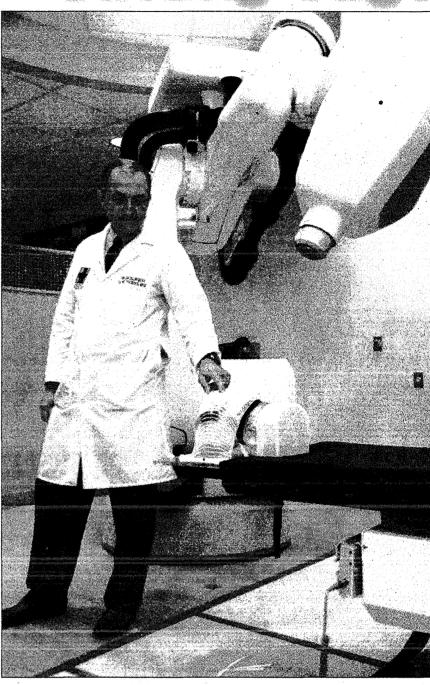
treat you because of risk,' said Thomas. "We're treating tumors of the brain, benign and malignant. In the past, I didn't want to take out the tumor because of the risks and location. Before I would watch it grow until the benefits of surgery might outweigh the risks. With brain tumors there is more risk than a tumor on the back of the hand, We usually wait for something to happen. Now we can treat early. Î'm seeing more patients with tumors because Cyberknife is giving me more ways of treating patients.'

The FDA approved the Cyberknife System for treatment of tumors of the head and base of the skull in 1999 and tumors everywhere else in the body in 2001 because of its effectiveness. Dr. John Adler, professor of neurosurgery and radiation oncology at Stanford University Medical Center, developed Cyberknife in 1987 after completing a fellowship with Dr. Lars Leksell, founder of radiosurgery.

"Effects of radiation are affecting over time. Sixty percent (of tumors) will eventually shrink. Others will not grow," said Thomas. "Research has shown it does work over time. We're able to treat a lot of cancer in the spine with incredibly safer treatment. Radiosurgery has been around for a while (to treat tumors in the brain). With Cyberknife we can treat different areas of the body."

EASIER TREATMENTS

Cyberknife makes treatments easier for patients by reducing the amount of visits from five days a week for fiveto six-weeks, to one to three sessions. It is performed on an outpatient basis.



Dr. Geoffrey Thomas explains how the Cyberknife System at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital is able to avoid critical areas such as the eyes.

"When you ask a patient, coming every day for five-six weeks is a huge stressor," said Thomas, "They're sick and not necessarily driving themselves. With Cyberknife for some benign things they can play golf the same day. Acute side effects are small. Fatigue is not nearly anywhere as bad as standard radiation. Some people have headaches. One lady we treated her three days before her vacation and two days after. The goal is to keep them active."

Thomas explains the technology as the robotic arm moves around the head of the mannequin on the table. Surgeons, radiation oncologists, physicists, and Cyberknife therapists work as a team to develop a plan to deliver radiation from up to 200 different points.

"We discuss the dose, is it right for the patient, how long the dose, from which direction it's going deliver," said Thomas, who works on the plan with Dr. W.M. Sahijdak, in the radiation oncology department at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. "All cross in one point. Each beam doesn't do much but they concentrate the dose of radiation which is huge. You can miss the eyes. That's what the planning does. There's a finite number of positions to miss critical structures."

Movement of the lung, prostate, pancreas and other organs due to breathing creates an accuracy problem when delivering radiation. Not the areas to be treated.

so with Cyberknife because of a tracking system that detects movement and corrects for it throughout treatment.

"It compiles a model so it knows how the lungs move and (Cyberknife) moves with them. If I'm off by a millimeter it won't let me treat," said Cyberknife therapist Sylvia Davidson, who delivers the treatment. Davidson spent time in California at Accuracy, which manufactures Cyberknife, learning the system. "It delivers much larger doses of radiation. What's different is the tracking system. It's three-dimensional with two different X-ray systems in the room so I can correct for movement. Four cameras in the room allow us to see the patient from all angles.

"While conventional radiation lasts 20 to 30 minutes, a patient's on the table for a Cyberknife treatment one to 2½ hours. Conventional can only give so much (radiation) because healthy tissues are in the way. If you're treating an area as big as a dime, you've got tons of healthy tissue surrounding the area. If you can shrink the margin you're delivering less radiation to healthy tissue."

PATIENT COMFORT

Less radiation to healthy tissue can improve patient comfort, says Matthew McMullen, a medical physicist whose job begins with software to integrate CT scans, MRIs and PET imaging into a plan for

"With the machine, we don't need to give a margin at all because the robot or knife tracks to where the patient moves. It's fundamentally different from how we treat patients," said McMullen.

Donna Ingleby-Burr was diagnosed with endometrial

cancer in January. While performing a hysterectomy in February, physicians discovered the cancer had spread to the Canton woman's left lung.

Because she has severe chronic emphysema, she wasn't a candidate for standard radiation.

Ingleby-Burr turns 80 in August.

"I went in and they planted gold beads in my lung. Cyberknife hones in on the area where gold beads are," said Donna Ingleby-Burr. "With regular radiation I would have 25 to 35 treatments. I had it in four. It's so concentrated. There's nothing invasive. I got up from the table hungry. It did make me tired but I'd been tired ever since starting chemo in April.

"I would tell anybody go for it. I feel great. I'm eating like a pig. That's important when you're a cancer patient. You need every ounce. This has given me a chance at life."

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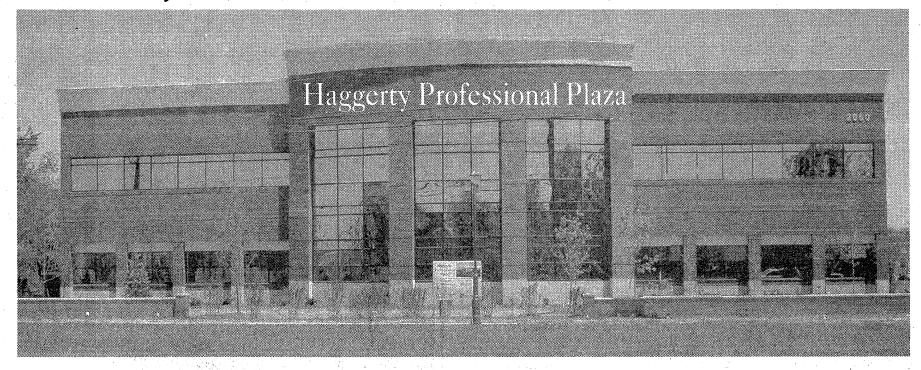
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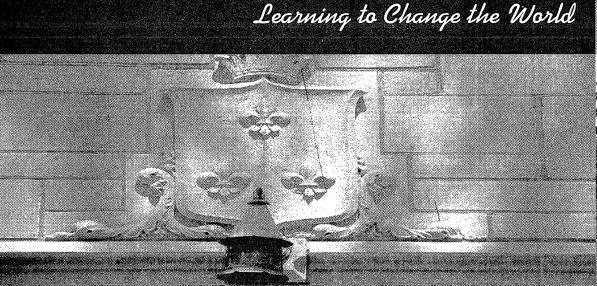
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I've had it: Job stress levels can be reduced

Low morale, health and job complaints, and employee turnover often provide the first signs of job stress. But sometimes there are no clues, especially if employees are fearful of losing their jobs. Lack of obvious or widespread signs is not a good reason to dismiss concerns about job stress or minimize the importance of a prevention program, according to the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health.

Step 1 - Identify the Problem. The best method to explore the scope and source of a suspected stress problem in an organization depends partly on the size of the organization and the available resources. Group discussions among managers, labor representatives, and employees can provide rich sources of information. Such discussions may be all that is needed to track down and remedy stress problems in a small company. In a larger organization, such discussions can be used to help design formal surveys for gathering input about stressful job conditions. Regardless of the method used to collect data, information should be obtained about employee perceptions of their job conditions and perceived levels of

Hold group discussions with

Design an employee survey. Measure employee perceptions of job conditions, stress, health, and satisfaction.

Collect objective data.

Analyze data to identify problem locations and stressful job conditions.

Regardless of the method used to collect data, information should be obtained about employee perceptions of their job conditions and perceived levels of stress, health, and satisfaction. The list of job conditions that may lead to stress and the warning signs and effects of stress provide good starting points for deciding what information to collect.

Objective measures such as absenteeism, illness and turnover rates, or performance problems can also be examined to gauge the presence and scope of job stress. However, these measures are only rough indicators. Data from discussions, surveys, and other sources should be summarized and analyzed to answer questions about the location of a stress problem and job conditions that may be responsible - for example, are problems present throughout the organization or confined to single departments or specific jobs?

Survey design, data analysis, and

experts from a local university or consulting firm. However, overall authority for the prevention program should remain in the organization.

Step 2 - Design and Implement Interventions. Once the sources of stress at work have been identified and the problem is understood, the stage is set for design and implementation of an intervention strategy.

In small organizations, the informal discussions that helped identify stress problems may also produce fruitful ideas for prevention. In large organizations, a more formal process may be needed.

Target source of stress for change. Propose and prioritize intervention strategies.

Communicate planned interventions to employees.

Implement interventions.

Certain problems, such as a hostile work environment, may be pervasive in the organization and require company-wide interventions. Other problems such as excessive workload may exist only in some departments and thus require more narrow solutions such as redesign of the way a job is performed. Still other problems may be specific to certain employees and resistant to any kind of organizationinterventions. Some interventions might be implemented rapidly (e.g., improved communication, stress management training), but others may require additional time to put into place (e.g., redesign of a manufacturing process).

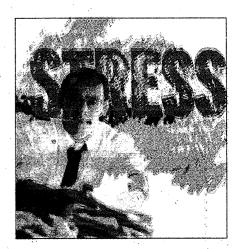
Step 3 - Evaluate the Interventions. Evaluation is necessary to determine whether the intervention is producing desired effects and whether changes in direction are needed.

Time frames for evaluating interventions should be established. Conduct both short- and long-term evaluations.

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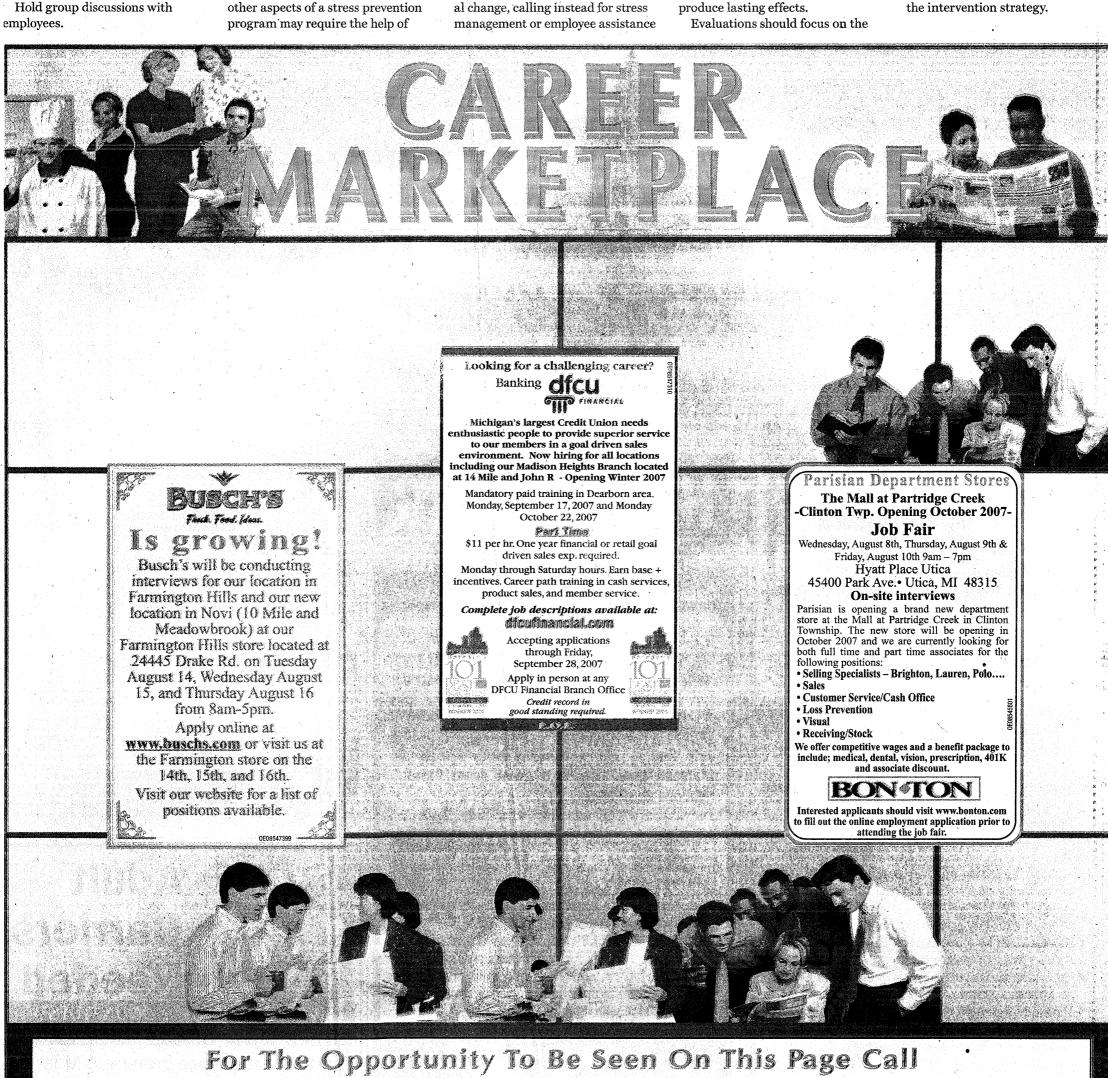
Include objective measures. Refine the intervention strategy and return to Step 1.

Organizational change steps should receive both short- and longterm scrutiny. Short-term evaluations might be done quarterly to provide an early indication of program effectiveness or possible need for redirection. Many interventions produce initial effects that do not persist. Long-term evaluations are often conducted annually and are necessary to determine whether interventions



same types of information collected during the problem identification phase of the intervention, including information from employees about working conditions, levels of perceived stress, health problems, and satisfaction. Employee perceptions are usually the most sensitive measure of stressful working conditions and often provide the first indication of intervention effectiveness. Adding objective measures such as absenteeism and health care costs may also be useful. However, the effects of job stress interventions on such measures tend to be less clear-cut and can take a long time to appear.

The job stress prevention process does not end with evaluation. Rather, job stress prevention should be seen as a continuous process that uses evaluation data to refine or redirect



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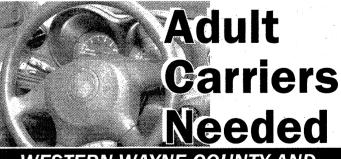
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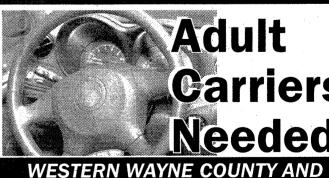
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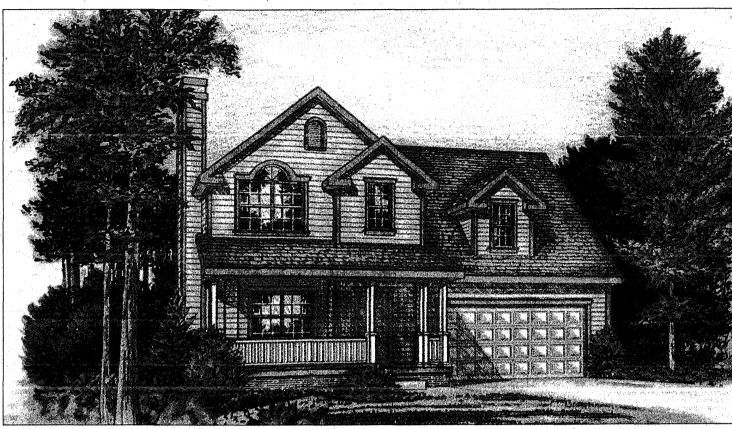
Kincaid home flooded with daylight from windows across the front of country ranch

The country ranch style of the Kincaid (D6710) has a classic appeal. There is a large dormer providing light into an unfinished storage room upstairs, while the large windows across the face of the home bathe the interior with sunlight. There is a two-car garage and a large covered porch. This home is narrow and compact, ideal for the smaller lots of today's market.

The Kincaid has 1,297 square feet of living area, divided between two floors. An unfinished basement is available. Crossing the covered porch, entry is direct into the living room. A large fireplace is on the outside wall, a closet is just inside the door on the right, and the sweeping staircase is just beyond. Dividing the living room and kitchen is a half bath.

The kitchen and dining room spreads across the rear of the home. The kitchen has a cabinet pantry and a window over the sink. Large windows overlook the back yard off the dining room. A door between the two rooms opens onto a three-season porch. Numerous windows make this room bright and cheery. A side door goes off to the yard area.

The second floor has the master suite and two other bedrooms. The master suite has its own bathroom with a tub, and a large walk-in closet. Between the master suite and the other two bedrooms is another full bath with the washer/dryer across the hall, behind folding doors. A door opens off this area to the unfinished storage room. While this room is listed as



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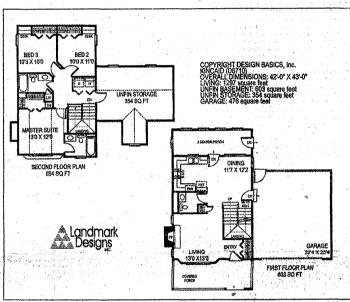
an unfinished storage room, with the numerous windows, it could be made into a play room for the kids, a sewing room for Mom, or Dad's hideaway computer rooms. The ideas are limitless.

Bedrooms 2 and 3 each have wall closets and a builtin desk, ideal for the studying students. Both rooms have

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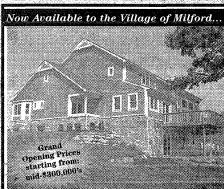
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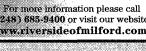
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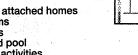
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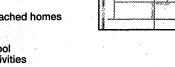




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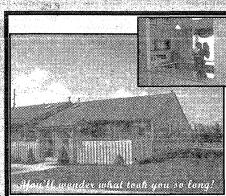
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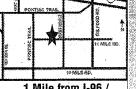
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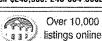
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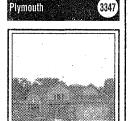
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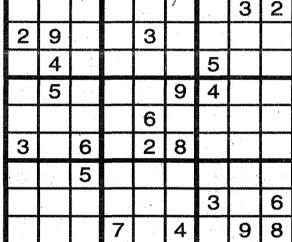
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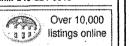
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In just its fourth year, the Pontiac G6 gets a new racecar-inspired addition to its lineup in the fall.

The GXP coupe and sedan bring a new, performance-oriented dimension to the G6 that hasn't been seen before. They will be available with both base and Street edition packages. To set the 2008 Pontiac G6 GXP apart from

other G6s a few aesthetic upgrades have been made, including sporty hood scoops, revised front and rear fascias and dual exhaust openings. The G6 GXP Street edition models are easily

identified by their unique front fascia, which features new fog lamps and polished stainless steel grille inserts with chrome. Standard features for all GXPs include a tilt/

telescopic steering wheel, automatic climate control, power windows, power door locks, power mirrors, AM/FM/CD player, variable intermittent wipers and theft-deterrent system.

A rear spoiler is also part of the GXP package, but is specific to either the coupe or sedan. The coupe model receives a larger, more aggressive "hammerhead" spoiler.

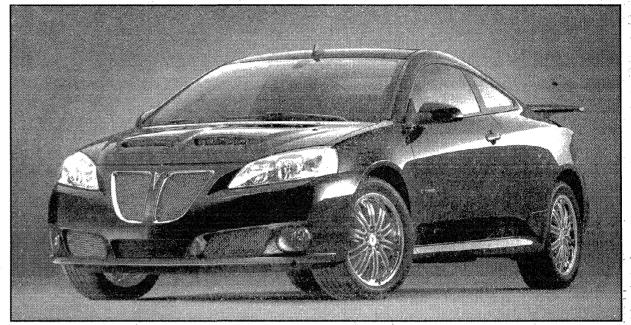
Base G6 GXP models come with standard 18inch aluminum alloy painted wheels, while those opting for the Street edition will receive a unique 18-inch wheel. Black chrome-finished 18-inch aluminum wheels are also available.

Stand-alone options include power adjustable pedals, six-way power seats, heated seats, leather seating surfaces, in-dash six-CD changers and remote vehicle start.

All G6 GXP models are powered by a 3.6-liter V6 engine that is good for 252 horsepower and is mated to an electronically controlled six-speed automatic transmission.

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The 2008 Pontiac G6 GXP has sporty hood scoops and a polished stainless steel grille. While it looks faster than last year's model, it still has the same engine.

operation. The six-speed automatic improves vehicle performance by up to 8 percent and increases fuel economy by up to 4 percent over the current front-wheel-drive four-speed automatics, Pontiac says.

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G6 GXP models have sporty, driver-oriented interiors with red racing-style gauges and true-red LED instrument backlighting

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kevinkoloian@excite.com. Distributed by Fracassa News Group. @2007, Fracassa Communications LLC.2008 Pontiac G6 GXP Vehicle class: Sedan.

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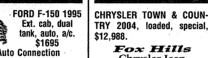
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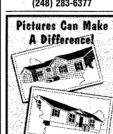
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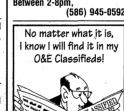
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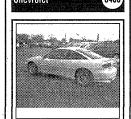
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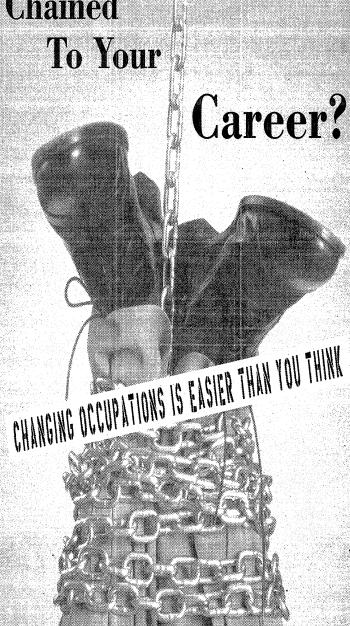
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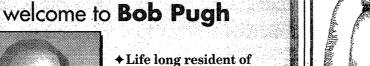
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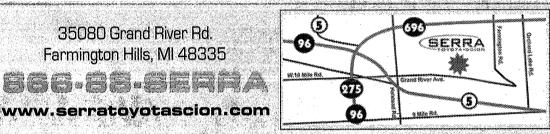
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