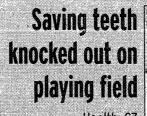


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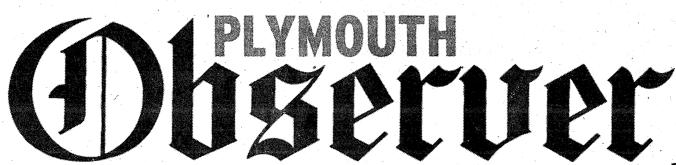
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Firefighters: Public safety would be 'a mistake'

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

Firefighters in the Plymouth Community Fire Department have stayed largely on the sidelines during the discussion of the possibility of the City of Plymouth ending its intergovernmental agreement for fire protection services with Plymouth Township.

But with the city considering establishing a Public Safety Department

that would provide it with both police and fire services, PCFD firefighters who don't believe that's a viable option - finally broke their silence, citing "concern for the city's residents."

"Their service is going to be greatly reduced," said Dan Atkins, president of the firefighters union. "The amount of taxes they pay, and all the money they've paid to get us trained ... going back to Square One is wrong."

Atkins and other firefighters say they worry about the level of service,

particularly medical service, a Public Safety Department would provide. In the public safety model city officials are studying, police officers would also be trained as firefighters.

They would not, however, be trained in Advanced Life Support, the level of training at which current firefighters are trained. ALS training was paid for by taxpayer dollars several years ago.

"What medical training are police officers going to have?" Atkins asked. "At the scene of an accident, are they

going to be cops or firefighters? If they're firefighters, who's going to be the cops? They're going to have to add cops, and what's that going to cost?"

Plymouth Mayor Dan Dwyer acknowledges the city would have to hire additional police officers. But he believes that would be a benefit, not a hindrance.

"One of the advantages of the public safety model is you have more people on the street," Dwyer said. "Instead of having two, we'd probably have

at least three. When they're not out doing fire stuff, they'd be cops. You'd have an increased public safety pres-

Regardless of how many police officers the city hires, Atkins believes the level of service would drop. Currently, the PCFD has 23 firefighters (the department is staffed for 27, but has four firefighters out for various reasons), manning three fire stations.

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Teachers?

New PCA principal has familiar look

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS STAFF WRITER

A familiar face has returned to the hallways of Plymouth Christian

David L. Butler, who retired from the Christian school three years ago, is back as its secondary principal and interim head of school.

bowed out" due to "ph sophical differences," Butler was stunned when he was asked to be a part of the school's administration "I asked God what he wanted me

to do," he said, adding that he and his wife of 42 years, Gail, prayed about the job offer. "And I'm happy with the decision. Mainly because I know it's the Lord this time."

As Sept. 4, the first day of classes, nears, Butler has gotten settled talking to parents, signing paperwork and attending workshops.

"We are not just a private school that does chapel," he said. "We really believe in what we are doing and think of our students as an investment. We are in the bank of heaven."

Butler, who taught in the Southfield school district for 31 years, was with PCA as its secondary principal for nine years before he retired.

Upon leaving, he settled into a

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Dr. David L. Butler



Chris McGinnis and Zac Haar loaded this rack of chicken over the coals at last year's festival. It takes more than 600 volunteers to put on the barbecue.

Chicken's tender

Main ingredient spices up annual fall festival

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

Ask Howard Oldford why the Plymouth Fall Festival is always so popular and so successful, and he doesn't hesitate to give the answer.

It's the chicken, stupid. Oldford, who chairs the committee that puts on the Rotary Club Barbecue Chicken Dinner during the annual festival, said the passion with which Rotarians tackle this event, and the care they use in putting it on, are the keys to its annual success.

"The chicken is good!" Oldford exclaimed with a laugh. "That's why it's popular. We have Rotarians who are dedicated to putting out a good meal. They've been working the pit for years,

and they're really very passionate about it. Thank goodness we've got those kinds of Rotarians in our club."

Those Rotarians will be among some 600 volunteers who will work Sunday's chicken barbecue in Kellogg Park, the anchor event of the annual festival, which yearly draws thousands of people to downtown Plymouth.

It's the 52nd year for the festival, which started out - fatefully enough - as simply a chicken barbecue.

We've been doing this 52 years, and it's something that's truly a community event," Oldford said.

Rotarians, who have become accustomed to the dinner selling out, hope to sell some 10,500 chicken dinners Sunday.

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CHICKEN ON THE BBQ

- What: Annual
- Plymouth Fall Festival ■ Where: Downtown
- Plymouth's Kellogg Park
- When: Friday-
- Sunday, Sept. 7-9 Features: Chicken
- barbecue, spaghetti dinner, pancake breakfast, other activities, entertainment, food
- and carnival rides ■ More details: www. plymouthfallfestival. com

head back? to table BY BRAD KADRICH

district

STAFF WRITER

When negotiators for the Plymouth-Canton teachers and the district Tuesday and Thursday to talk about their wage re-opener, it's entirely possible neither side will know what it's talking about.

And it won't be their fault. With state officials still unable to say what the state's foundation grant is going to be for public schools, negotiations - at least on wages - can't go very far.

"The issue is they don't know what the state's doing," said Chuck Portelli, president of the Plymouth-Canton Education Association. "We delayed bargaining intentionally because we were waiting to see what's going on in Lansing. There isn't any finger-pointing going on; we simply don't know what Lansing's doing. When you don't know your funding source, it's hard to plan for vour future."

While the sides are talking largely about wages, there are other issues on the table, including collaboration time, professional development time for teachers at the elementary level, and how a transition to electronic report cards will affect teachers.

"Collaboration time is the best way for teachers to get together," Superintendent Jim Ryan said. "But preparing for the Michigan Merit Exam has taken so much time, we have to talk about making time for professional development."

Portelli said discussion could center around methods the union is using to save the district money. Although he wouldn't be specific about what they're doing, Portelli said he expects those efforts to result in pay increases.

"In previous contracts we've done things to save the district money, and then that money comes back to us in raises," Portelli said. "That's one of the things we'll be talking about this week."

The district was dealing five full contracts and four with only wage reopeners this year. The board ratified an agreement with its plant engineers Tuesday night.

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Patrons can help the arts thrive in the community and cruise the Caribbean at the same time.

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Lauderdale) include Ocho
Rios, Jamaica; Georgetown,
Grand Cayman; Cozumel,
Mexico; Princess Cays,
Bahamas; and two days at sea.

Prices start at \$969 per person, and a \$200 per-cabin contribution will be made in the cruiser's name to the Plymouth Canton Symphony Society upon return.

For reservations and more information, contact Kathy or Kate at Carlson Wagonlit Travel, (734) 455-5810.

Library closing

The Plymouth District Library will be closed on Sunday and Monday, Sept. 2-3 for the Labor Day holiday. Library users can still return materials by using the drivethrough drop box.

Perennial exchange

The Trailwood Garden Club sponsors a Perennial Exchange at the Plymouth Fall Festival 9-11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 8.

The exchange is open to members of the community on a "bring something, take something" basis at no charge. The club, a member of the Woman's National Farm & Garden Association, will be set up at the east end of Kellogg Park, opposite the Wilcox House.

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For more information, call (734) 459-7146.

Bilingual Fun Family Fiesta

Enjoy an afternoon of culture by celebrating National Hispanic Heritage month with Bilingual Fun (45000 N. Territorial Road in Plymouth) from 4-6 p.m., Sept. 22.

This local language company will be featuring songs, games, Spanish lessons from their bilingual educators, a sampling of Mexican cuisine from Canton's newest Mexican eatery, Mariachi Mexico, and professional Latin ballroom dance presentations and lessons from master dance professionals. Bring your family and sing, dance, eat, and learn Spanish.

Visit www.bilingualfun.com for more information, or call (734) 748-3898. Tickets are \$10 adults (if purchased in advance), and \$12 at the door. Children 10 and under get in free.

DAR meets

The Daughters of the American Revolution of Northville/Plymouth meet at noon Monday, Sept. 17, at the Plymouth District Library.

Guest speaker will be reference librarian Kathy Petlewski, who will talk about computers and genealogy.

computers and genealogy. For more information, call (734)459-4764.

Spotlight Players

The Spotlight Players present *Carousel*, Fridays and Saturdays, Sept. 14-15, 21-22, and 28-29 at 8 p.m., and Sundays, Sept. 23, and Sept. 30 at 2 p.m. at The Village Theatre, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton. Tickets are \$15-\$18. For more information, call (734) 394-5460.

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also conducting auditions for *Brighton Beach Memoirs* Monday, Sept. 17 and Tuesday, Sept. 18 at The Village Theatre, 50400 Cherry Hill in Canton (corner of Cherry Hill and Ridge; use stage door at rear).

Registration is at 6:30 p.m. Bring a non-returnable photo and resume. Specifics at www. spotlightplayers.net or call (734) 480-4945.

Beautification awards

Nominations are being sought for the Chamber's Annual Business Beautification Awards.

For the past 10 years, the chamber has presented Beautification Awards to acknowledge those businesses who strive to make the Plymouth Community a more beautiful place to do business. Winners have included every type of business, from small retail to larger corporate companies.

Nominations are eligible in three exterior categories: renovation, landscaping and new construction. Nominated businesses must be located in the City or Township of Plymouth.

Nominations must be done in writing by Sept. 20 and mailed to the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, 850 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, MI 48170, faxed to (734) 453-1724 or e-mailed to chamber@plymouthmi.org

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

Baseball legacy

The Plymouth Community Council on Aging presents "Coffee with a Baseball Legacy" featuring former major league baseball player Tom Paciorek 1 p.m. Monday, Oct. 8, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, in Plymouth.

Emcee Raymond Rolak and Paciorek, now a motivational speaker, will deliver a lively afternoon of hijinks, motivation and tales of perseverance. Paciorek's career spanned 18 seasons as an outfielder for the Los Angeles Dodgers, Chicago White Sox and others. After his playing days, he got into broadcasting, and broadcast Detroit Tigers' games from 2001-2003. Most recently, Paciorek called games for the Washington Nationals.

Tickets are \$2 each or \$15 to reserve a table for eight, can be purchased at the PCCA 201 S. Main (in the city hall building). A "coffee and sweet table" will be served, and the event features two baseball raffles.

For more information, call the PCCA, (734) 453-1234, Ext. 236.

BeckRidge Chorale news

■ The BeckRidge Chorale is holding auditions for its upcoming season. Auditions will be by appointment only.

To schedule an appointment or for more information contact (734) 416-9885, e-mail Beckridgechorale@aol.com, or visit the group's Web site at www.plycommunitychorus.org

The BeckRidge Chorale continues to honor its commitment to vocal music by offering scholarships to college and high school students, age 16 and over, interested in vocal performance.

Scholarship winners must agree to participate as a member in good standing, of the BeckRidge Chorale for the Fall/ Winter 2007-2008 Season. For more information or to schedule an audition appointment call (734) 416-9885, email Beckridgechorale@aol.com, or visit the group's Web site at www.plycommunity-chorus.org

Ladies' Night Out

Ladies are invited to attend the fourth-annual Ladies Night Out Plymouth Style 6-9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 13.

The evening, sponsored by the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, is designed as a night for the ladies to do some shopping and get pampered while enjoying an evening out on the town.

Participants can visit the participating stores and enjoy unique refreshments, enter to win gift baskets, receive free giveaways, and be papered with mini-makeovers, hand treatments and massages. In addition, some participants will offer special discounts on in-store merchandise.

Participating stores this year include B.E. Unique Co., Clearly You, Dearborn Jewelers, Delta Diamond Setters & Jewelers, Eclectic Home, Gabriala's. Gigi's Mode, Hands on Leather, Haven, Lynn's Corner Shoppe, Maggie & Me, Merle Norman, Michigan Made & More, Native West, Nature's Choice, Penn Theatre, sideways, Spa Julianna, That's Awesome, TranquiliTea, Vanity Salon, Village Shopkeeper and others. Maps will be available that evening to identify all participating businesses.

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

Taste of Greece

The third-annual "A Taste of Greece Festival" takes place Sept. 14-16 at the Nativity of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church grounds, 39851 Five Mile Road (near Haggerty) in Plymouth.

The event features Greek food, pastry, live Greek music and traditional Greek dancing, a Kids' Korner with crafts, treats and inflatable rides, a Greek market, Taverna and Coffee House

Coffee House.
Parking is available in the
Bosch Corp., parking lot adjacent to the festival, please use

the Haggerty Road entrance. For more info, call (734) 420-0131 or visit the Web site at www.atasteofgreecefestival.

Walking tour

Join the Plymouth Historical Museum and the Plymouth Preservation Network for an historical walking tour of Riverside Cemetery 10:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 29.

Sanford Burr, Plymouth Historical Society president, guides participants through Riverside Cemetery, the public cemetery in Plymouth. Sanford will recount stories of the lives of those buried in the cemetery. Rain date September 30.

Tickets are \$10 per person; limit of 25 people on tour. Tickets available at the Plymouth Historical Museum or through PayPal on the museum's Web site at www. plymouthhistory.org/walkingtours.html

Senior Fest

Tickets are now available for the Plymouth Senior Fest Picnic, sponsored by the Plymouth Community Council on Aging

The picnic takes place 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12, at Waterford Bend Park, Six Mile and Northville roads.

roads.
Tickets must be purchased by Sept. 6 at the PCCA office.
Tickets cost \$6 for members, \$7 for guests. A box lunch, entertainment, prizes and ven-

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Canton Premiere Dance & Performing Arts Center Continues To Be Different

Many dance studios boast they are friendly, have professional flooring, certified staff and offer different savings off tuition or registration. Canton Premiere Dance & Performing Arts Center (CPD for short) is the one dance and performing arts center that is truly different from the rest. While all of the above is true about CPD this dance center is also known as the "give back" and the most "family friendly" dance and performing arts center.

One needs only talk to the parents at CPD to hear about how Canton Premiere Dance continually "gives back" to their families and community. CPD's "Winter Celebration" provides their students and their entire family an evening of fun - FREE. The evening begins with a full buffet dinner (during which Santa has been known to pay a visit) and ends with a Nutcracker Adaptation performed by the students. This event has become so popular there is talk about holding the event this year at a local banquet facility. Throughout the year there are parties, sleepovers and ice cream socials given for the students - FREE of charge again!

In addition, Canton Premiere Dance continually gives back to their parents by holding tuition costs down for their repeat students, by using a flat low fee pricing system for costumes and by offering free alterations for costumes. The

studio also provides quality shoes/tights/ leotards at well below retail costs.

While we are constantly surrounded by ever increasing costs for gasoline, "pay to play" fees for sports and many of our everyday purchases, Canton Premiere Dance is continually striving to put the "dollars" back into the pockets of their center's parents. While the opportunities to perform during a Piston's half time or on a cruise have been offered, the CPD families have chosen to not participate in these "pay to perform" programs. Instead, they have chosen to apply their fundraising efforts toward the normal expenses of instruction.

"Family friendly" becomes apparent as parents at CPD tell you all the students truly are treated the same. When an opportunity for performance arises (like Canton's Joyful Dancer Celebration or charity performances) all the students are offered the opportunity, not just their competitive students. "Family friendly" is further demonstrated by the fact that the owners, who do not teach, are not stuck in a classroom night after night, but are free to visit with the parents, students, teachers and look in on all classes being conducted.

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In addition to the family friendly atmosphere, giving back to their families and making sure the students



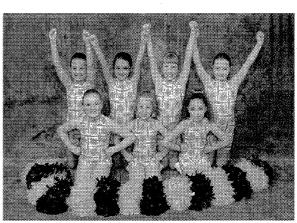
have lots of fun, the owner's other true passion is the quality of instruction. This is accomplished by limiting class size so that teachers (who have a tremendous variety of backgrounds, experience and skills for teaching) can give each student individual attention during the class time. It should also be noted that they provide a full hour of instruction for the cost most other studios charge for a half hour class.

CPD offers a full curriculum for the recreational, competitive or the professional dancer, including choreographed jump roping, adult classes, salsa and ballroom. The studio is also known for their outstanding pompon instruction for those girls wishing to try out for the high school teams. In addition, Pilates (through Infinity Health), Japanese Aikido (through Japanese Aikido of Canton), and a full musical theater/vocal program (directed by Jamie Krause) are offered.

Canton Premiere Dance's annual recital is called a "showcase" This performance is about showcasing all of the hard work the students have accomplished throughout the season. The year end showcase always takes place at Canton's luxurious Village Theater at Cherry Hill. According to the center's owners, Debbie and Gregg Custer, "not only is this theater close to home which our parents love, but it is a truly a beautiful facility with an awesome staff to work with". The 2007 Showcase theme was "Make A Wish" and the center pledged a donation from the ticket sales to the Make A Wish Foundation of Michigan. Canton Premiere Dance

& Performing Arts Center is not visible from the main road. This gem is tucked away in the third building of the Canton Ford Crossing Complex which is sandwiched between the Canton Ice Cream Center and the Canton Center Animal Hospital. Entrance to the center is through the only RED door in the professional complex at 5860 Canton Center Road.

While classes begin on September 4th, registration continues well into fall. A number of eight



week programs and workshops run throughout the season (which runs September through August). This year Canton Premiere Dance & Performing Arts Center will celebrate their 5th Anniversary. There are a number of special "give back" festivities planned for the season and their anniversary. Parents have said that the showcase continues to get better each year

providing a real challenge for the owners and staff to do something extra special for their anniversary showcase. If you are new to

dance or looking for a change you would be well advised to check out the truly different, "give back", "family friendly" Canton Premiere Dance & Performing Arts Center. Their telephone number is 734-207-9774.





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Jack Gladden remembered as a caring, 'old-style' journalist

BY HUGH GALLAGHER STAFF WRITER

Jack Gladden was old school, a newspaperman respected and trusted by his sources and praised for his concern for the community and his distinctive writing style.

Gladden, 70, died Friday at his home in Canton, following a long career as a newspaper reporter, editor and journalism educator.

Gladden began working as a copy editor at the Observer & Eccentric in 1986. In addition to his copy editing duties, Gladden was a frequent columnist for the Observer & Eccentric. He completed his career as a reporter at the Canton Observer from 2001 to 2005, where his reporting won the respect of township officials and residents.

Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack said Gladden was a throwback to an earlier age of journalism, someone tuned in to and engaged with the community he covered.

"I loved the guy," said Yack. "He really cared about Canton. He wanted to get everything right. He was easy to talk to. I thought he was a great writer, a fine reporter. He'll be missed."

Gladden was born May 6, 1937, in Arkansas. He grew up in New Mexico and Texas, where he attended Texas Christian University. After serving two years as a lieutenant in the Navy he became a reporter, first at the Fort Worth Press and then with United Press International. He received his master's degree from Michigan State University where he taught journalism for 10 years. He taught at Wayne State University for seven years before joining the Observer.

"When Jack Gladden joined the O&E he brought with him years of teaching experience from MSU and WSU," said Susan Rosiek,



executive editor for the Observer ಆ Eccentric. assumed

the role of teacher and mentor on the copy

desk and many reporters and editors who passed through our newsroom benefited from Jack's guidance. He was a born writer - an exceptional wordsmith — and a kind and patient man."

Former Canton Observer editor Joanne Maliszewski was a student of Gladden at MSU and his supervisor at the Observer.

"He did not suffer fools well," she said. "He loved learning and information ... he loved people with open hearts and open minds. I'm going to miss him."

 ${\bf Current}\ Canton\ Observer$ editor Kurt Kuban also respected Gladden's oldstyle approach to the news.

"Of all the people I've met in this business, Jack stood out because he had such a great sense of what made news," Kuban said. "He knew a great story when he saw one and that came out in his work. He was an oldschool newsman which is something I admire.'

Gladden met his wife, Kathie, when she was a student at Wayne State. They have been married 25 years.

"To paraphrase Will Rogers, he never met a man who didn't like him," she said. "Everybody liked him who met him. He was an all-around nice guy."

In addition to his wife, Jack is survived by his son, Geoffrey, 34, from a previous marriage, and his daughter, Leigh, 23. They were at his

Orchestra Canton's new season to feature variety of music

BY KURT KUBAN STAFF WRITER

As the members of Orchestra Canton prepare to kick off their fourth season with a Sept. 8 show at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, they are hoping to bring their music to a wider variety of people in the Canton community.

Variety is probably the word that most describes the new season, which will feature a total of four shows.

Take the Sept. 8 opening night show, for example. "Movie Music Magic!," which begins at 8 p.m., will feature themes of popular films from the Silver Screen, including Chicago, Jurassic Park, and Star Wars. For the show, Orchestra Canton will also be joined on stage by the Canton Concert Band and Spotlight Players, two Village Theater regulars, who will perform on separate songs.

"This is a very different season than we've had in the past," said Jennifer Philpot-Munson, executive director of Orchestra Canton. "We're doing a number of collaborations this year, and there is a lot of variety. The shows are just so different.'

Other shows this season include a Christmas concert in December, "Blissful Baroque" in January, which will be a tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and "Fusion Festival: Inspirations from India" in March, which will be a crosscultural musical collaboration featuring celebrated sitar artist, composer and teacher Hasu

And, as in the past, the shows will be led by Orchestra Canton Music Director and Conductor Nan Washburn.

"The shows this year will be more playful, and a little lighter faire - music that people who don't necessarily like classical music will enjoy," said Philpot-

group is also looking forward to partnerships with other local performing groups, like the Canton Concert Band, which will play on a couple songs on Sept. 8. She said such "cross pollination" would only further to strengthen the arts scene in



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Nan Washburn will again be directing Orchestra Canton, which is getting ready to kick off its fourth season.

Canton.

Canton Concert Band Director Jim Blough said the group of volunteer musicians is looking forward to the collaboration with Orchestra Canton,

which is made up of professional musicians. He said his group will help play music from Star Wars.

"This will be a good experience for us working with them. They are a great organization, and it will be under the direction of Nan Washburn," he said. We hope to bring talent and enthusiasm to the stage. We're right at home on the Village

Theater stage."
Orchestra Canton tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18 for seniors, and \$10 for children. Tickets may be purchased in person at the Summit on the Park, 4600 Summit Parkway, or by phone by calling the Summit at (734) 394-5460 x 0. Tickets may also be purchased using the Village Theater's secure online box office at www.canton-mi.org, or at their box office one hour before each performance.

For more information on Orchestra Canton's 4th season please visit www.orchestracanton. org. To learn more about other ensembles and programs within the Plymouth Canton Symphony Society, please visit www.plymouthcantonsymphony.org.





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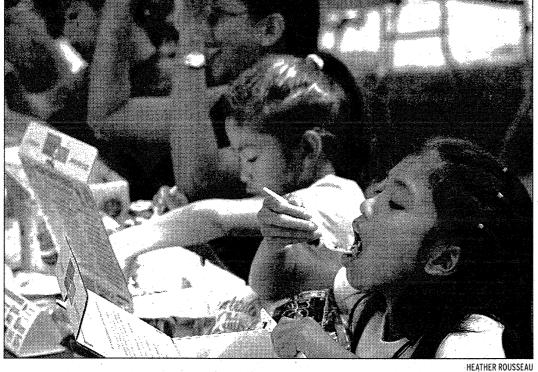
They'll be on sale at the barbecue tent in Kellogg Park, as well as at the takeout location at West Middle School.

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"I don't know who came up with the carry-out idea, but it's been a great idea, especially if the weather turns on you a little bit," Oldford said. "People tend to favor that, and it helps the total event."

The barbecue wraps up the festival, scheduled for Friday through Sunday in downtown Plymouth, but it's simply the final event in a weekend filled with food, entertainment, games and rides.

Among the other events: the annual Kiwanis pancake breakfast, 7-11:30 a.m. Saturday; the A.M. Rotary spaghetti dinner, 4-8 p.m. Saturday; the chamber-sponsored Taste Fest, 6-8 p.m. Friday; the 5K Fun Run, sponsored by the Salem High School cross country team, 8 a.m. Sunday; Plymouth **Business and Professional** Women's Club Bingo Night in The Gathering, 6-10 p.m. Friday; the classic car show



Rotarians sell more than 10,000 chicken dinners every year during the Fall Festival.

Saturday and Sunday; and the craft show all weekend in its new location on Union between Ann Arbor Trail and

Live entertainment will be spotlighted on stages in Kellogg Park and near the beer

tent behind E.G. Nicks, and the carnival rides will be set up on downtown streets.

The ingredients for a successful chicken barbecue probably echo those for a successful fall festival, according to Oldford.

'We've been doing this 52 years, and it's something that's truly a community event.

HOWARD OLDFORD, committee chair

MILITARY NEWS

County resolution

Former Canton resident John Hamann was recognized with a County of Wayne Resolution, signed by Commissioner Laura Cox, honoring Hamann for receiving his U.S. Navy pilot's wings June 8 at the Naval Air Station Whiting Field in Milton, Fla.

Hamann is a graduate of Detroit Catholic Central, where he played football and ran track. He graduated the University of Michigan, where he studied economics. Hamann got involved in ROTC while at Michigan.

Hamann spent 18 months in physical training and 250 flight hours in fixed-wing and rotary aircraft while training in Pensacola, Fla. Hamann and his wife, Heather, whose family lives in Canton, are set for their next duty assignment in Norfolk, Va.

Manan is the son of former Canton residents John and Urszula Hamann of Northville.

In the public safety model, an undetermined number of firefighters would man a single fire station, likely at City Hall.

"Right now the city is surrounded by firefighters," Atkins said. "They could have three stations, three ambulances responding. If they go public safety, I don't know how much of that they'd have.

"Communities all over the country are looking at merging services," Atkins added. "But we're going the other way."

That complaint, initially made in a letter to the editor, is one that rankles Dwyer, the Plymouth mayor who spearheaded talks about merging both fire services and dispatch services.

Dwyer got representatives in Livonia and Northville Township to consider a potential regional fire department in western Wayne County. Only Plymouth Township declined.

"Where was the union when I was trying to create a western Wayne County fire department?" Dwyer said. "Where were the unions then? I had three of the four pieces there. It was his township that wouldn't

"I worked for more than two

years on that," he added. "The only reason it didn't move forward was because Plymouth

Township wouldn't get in." Atkins believes going public safety would be a mistake. he said he doesn't know many firefighters who would want to be police officers, and not

many police officers who would

want to be firefighters. "There aren't many people who would want to do both, and you're not going to be efficient at both," Atkins said. "It would be a reduction in services for citizens. I think it would be a mistake. It would be a shame."

Dwyer is undeterred.

"I don't begrudge the firefighters their concerns, because it's their jobs people are talking about," Dwyer said. "(The City Commission) said unanimously a regional fire department was our No. 1 goal. I told (Plymouth Township officials) in January, if that didn't work, we would look at public safety. That's all we're doing, is doing what we

said all along we would do. "It's a huge expense for any community, and it's an important expense," Dwyer added. "We now have to figure out what's the best model for the City of Plymouth, and that's what we're trying to do."

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cozy life with his bride and soaked up moments with their four children and 11 grandchildren. He also dove into the ministry at Calvary Baptist Church, which shares a campus with the school, and tackled various projects around his home.

"I got spoiled," he said with a grin, adding that returning to work was the last thing on his mind when the church's pastor asked to meet with him.

Butler, who graduated from the University of Michigan, said he and God came to an understanding when he decided to return to PCA.

"This is the deal," he said with a laugh. "I told God he was going to have to do it through me. This is his school, so I need him to give me the energy, wisdom and insight. I know I can't muster it up on my own."

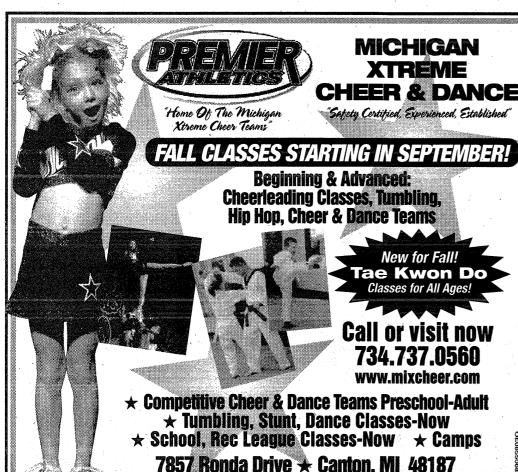
The school, which offers elementary and secondary education, has also welcomed Gail Butler, a teacher, to the staff. She has taken a position as an elementary special needs

Del Wensley, PCA director of advancement, said that the school is pleased to have its former secondary principal back on board.

We are thankful for Dr. Butler's character, integrity and abilities," he said. "(We) look forward to seeing his leadership and expertise positively impact

Since his return, Butler said he's received a warm reception. "We expect a great year," he

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My son who is single bought a house. The deed was not recorded even though we were charged. Is there a reason why it wasn't recorded? Also, at closing we were advised to file a quit-claim deed to me and my spouse. Is this correct? Maybe he should get a trust.

There is a problem as the original deed was not recorded. At the time of purchase, the buyer typically receives a warranty deed from the sellers. Basically, this deed says the sellers are guaranteeing delivery of the property free and clear.

It's important to record this deed because it protects you from others who may claim an interest in the property. To protect your son's interest, it is important to make sure the deed from the seller to him is properly recorded.

The Realtor who assisted you or the title company that handled the closing should be contacted immediately.

As to a quit-claim deed, that is a different issue. A quitclaim deed is typically used when a family conveys prop-

erty to other family members.

It does not contain any warranties or guarantees and basically says whatever **Money Matters** interest I own in this prop-

Rick Bloom erty I convey to you. A quit-claim deed was rec-

ommended in your son's situation for estate planning purposes. Typically, someone does a quit-claim deed in order to avoid probate.

In this situation, if the quitclaim deed transfers the property from your son to you and your spouse and then the deed is recorded, there's a problem. There's a gift tax consequence because your son is making a gift to you. Since the house is not your primary residence, it wouldn't qualify for the more favorable Homestead Property Tax.

By recording such a deed since you and your wife would be the owners of the property - you would be removing your son from ownership.

On the other hand, if the quit-claim deed was transferring the home to your son, you and your spouse as joint tenants with rights of survivorship, it's another issue. In this case, your son's name would still be on the property and it could be interpreted that you and your spouse were only put on the deed for estate planning purposes.

There would be no gift tax consequences and you would still qualify for the homestead property tax.

The downside from your son's standpoint, if the document is recorded, would be if he chose to sell the home or refinance he would need both you and your spouse's approval.

If your son has substantial assets, I recommend a Living Trust which allows him to retain control of his property. Upon death, his assets can pass to beneficiaries without having to go through probate.

On the other hand, if your son has limited assets and the house is his major asset, I recommend a quit-claim deed. However, I wouldn't record the deed at this time. I would keep it in a safety deposit box and

if he did predecease you, the deed could be recorded.

I'm about to close on my first home. The mortgage company is recommending mortgage life insurance. What do you think?

I am not a fan of mortgage insurance.

First, mortgage insurance is one of the most expensive types of life insurance. In addition, it does not give your beneficiaries much flexibility. The proceeds must be used to pay off the mortgage.

However, what if the beneficiaries don't want to pay off the mortgage? For example, if you had a fixed-rate mortgage of 5 percent and money market accounts are paying 7 percent there may be no reason to pay off the mortgage.

Furthermore, your premium remains the same no matter what the mortgage balance. Therefore, as time goes on and you pay down your mortgage, your life insurance benefit also declines, but once again the premium remains the same.

Ask yourself: If you pass away, does anyone lose out

financially? If the answer is yes, then life insurance is one way to cover that shortfall.

However, to give your beneficiaries the most flexibility, life insurance should not be tied to another product like a mortgage.

Term insurance offers more insurance for less money and at the same time gives beneficiaries maximum flexibility.

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 noon to 3 p.m. Sundays on WDTK 1400 AM.



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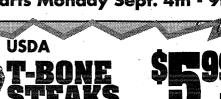
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Road rally A Road Rally to benefit Steppin' Out/AIDS Walk Detroit is planned for Friday, Sept. 14. This task-oriented, timed "treasure hunt" will begin at 7:30 p.m. from the parking lot of the Royal Oak Farmer's Market. Participants may enter as individuals or as a group, a \$5 donation per person is suggested. Prior registration required. For more information, call (586) 212-1348, or e-mail carrscompadres@vahoo.com

Suicide Loss Support Group New Hope Center for Grief Support is offering an ongoing support group for those who have lost a loved one to suicide. This monthly group meets 7-9 p.m. on the second Thursday and fourth Monday of each month at the First United Methodist Church in Northville located at 777 W. Eight Mile Road. No registration is necessary for this monthly drop-in support group. For further information about this group or about the many other free, age and loss specific groups offered for children, teens, and adults, please call New Hope Center for Grief Support at 248-348-0115 and visit us at www.newhopecenter.net

The Fourth Annual Hope Charity Golf Classic will be held at Travis Pointe Country Club Sept. 17. The event is open to the public and will include lunch, golf, a cocktail hour, dinner, and live auction. Proceeds will benefit Hope Clinic, an interdenominational Christian non-profit organization located in Ypsilanti, was founded in 1982 to provide free medical care to

the uninsured. All donations are tax deductible. Non-golfers who wish to take part have the option to attend only the evening events. To sign up or for more information contact Melissa Burkhart at (734) 484-2989 or e-mail mburkhart@thehopeclinic.

Ballet auditions

The Ann Arbor Civic Ballet holds open auditions 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 20 at Sylvia Studio of Dance, 3900 Jackson Road, Suite 6, in Ann Arbor. Experienced male and female dancers 12 years of age and older are invited to audition. Women should bring pointe shoes. Call (734) 668-8066 or visit www.annarborcivicballet.com for more information.

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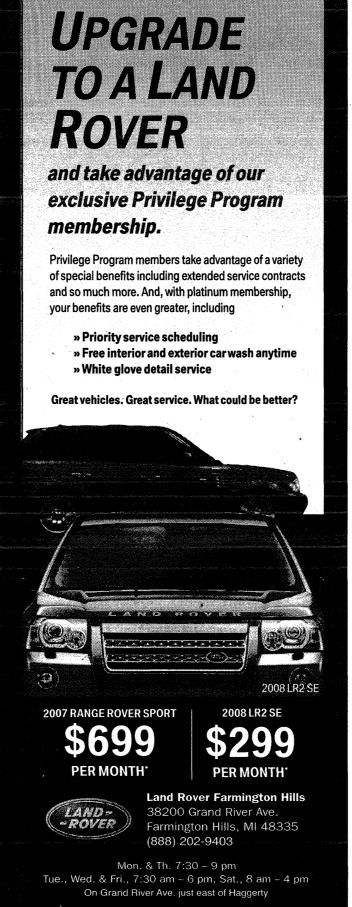
The cause of restless legs is unclear, therefore the treatment is uncertain. At present the medications, Requip and Meraplex are most used but the regimens are complicated, and the medications work best if taken one to three hours before bedtime. Problems arise in taking the drugs as you may not be able to predict when you will retire for the night. Also, it requires trial and error to determine if the one-hour or the three-hour before bedtime instruction is the

Furthermore, the occurrence of restless legs is variable. If the problem subsides, you cannot be sure if medicine is helping, or the vagaries of the condition are at work, and the restless legs will return.

You need to distinguish between restless legs and nocturnal cramps. Both conditions may wake you from sleep, but nocturnal cramps are more likely to happen just before awakening in the morning. The cramps occur in the calf muscles, and usually end while you stay in bed moving your leg to an extended position. Quinine, taken as 6 ounces of tonic water at night, is a time-honored remedy, but its utility as a cure is in question.

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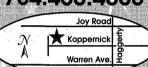
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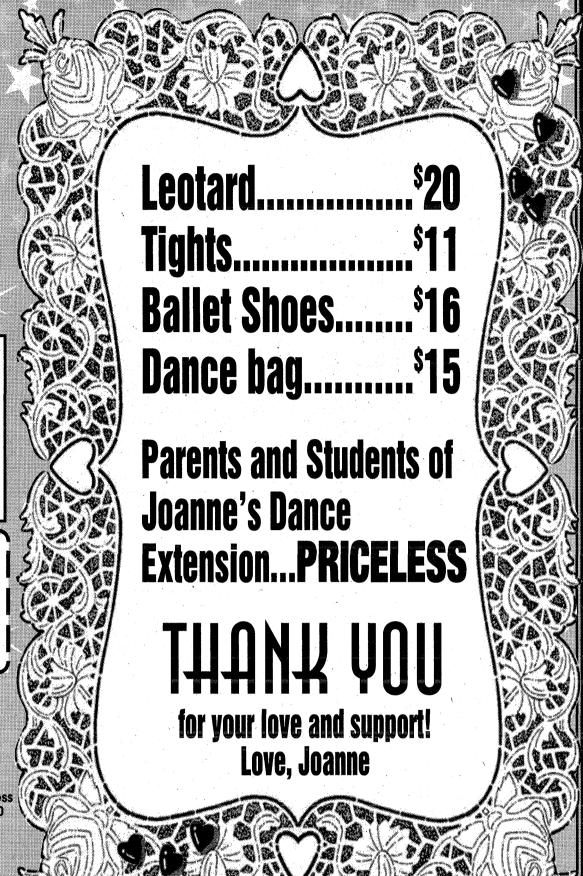


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Vick case has exposed us as nation of excuse-makers

espite the outrage his actions have caused, I almost felt a bit saddened by the public apology Michael Vick offered the world Monday after he exited a Virginia federal court-

After admitting guilty to a dogfighting conspiracy charge, the suspended NFL quarterback apologized "for all the things that I've done and that I've allowed to happen." Vick acknowledged all the people he let down.

To read the reports of the gruesome, vile acts in which Vick admitted taking part personally turns my stomach. And for that reason, I don't necessarily feel bad for Vick the person, but more for what he represents.

In a lot of ways, Vick represented the

American Dream. Here was a guy who grew up with nothing, but through hard work and a tremendous amount of God-given talent, he ascended to the pinnacle of the sports world. And for that he was admired by many, including every 12-year-old boy who

His fall from grace should force us all, especially parents,

During these recent weeks, when Vick's case dominated national headlines and water cooler snapshot of the American social fabric. The case has exposed a lot about us, some of which is not

Certainly, if we didn't know it already, we learned that the animal rights advocates in this country are an impassioned bunch. From the minute this investigation came to light, they organized and put a tremendous amount of pressure on the NFL, the Atlanta Falcons (Vick's team), and the companies that paid Vick to peddle their products to sack him - even before he was indicted on any dogfighting

In my opinion, Vick deserved every bit of it. His grotesque treatment of the dogs in his care showed a complete disregard for life, and a sick

The case has also showed that we are a nation with a penchant for making excuses, especially when it comes to our heroes.

First there were some African-Americans who defended Vick by saying he did what he did because he came from an impoverished, urban background, and that he never quite escaped that background. As if he had no choice but to break the law. I think all the law-abiding African-Americans living in similar circumstances should be appalled by that claim. Talk

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Many also said that this whole case has been a witch hunt against a prominent black athlete. and the intensity of public scrutiny wouldn't have been the same if it had been Joe Montana in Vick's shoes. The same arguments have surfaced during the Barry Bonds home run record chase.

a witch hunt against a prominent black athlete, and the intensity of public scrutiny wouldn't have been the same if it had been Joe Montana in Vick's shoes. The same arguments have surfaced during the Barry Bonds home run record chase. Unfortunately, crying racism in these kinds of cases only diminishes the next time someone actually has a legitimate claim that racism has impacted them. What Vick did would have appalled America no matter what his color of skin.

Other people that have come to Vick's defense are fans of the Atlanta Falcons, who realized their team's chances of winning have taken a big hit without him calling the signals. Some came to Vick's defense by suggesting dogfighting was no different than hunting, which of course, is a legal activity in America. As a hunter myself, I was somewhat offended by that argument.

Is hunting as bad as dogfighting? I'm sure there are some in the animal rights crowd that probably think so. Clearly, there are some obvious differences, though. Sure, hunting results in the death of an animal, but like it or not, we are a nation (and species, for that matter) of meat eaters. You've probably noticed the billion or so fast food restaurants that dot the American

All the hunters I know strive to make a clean kill when they hunt, and they look down on people who poach and break game laws, which are in place to ensure animals have some chance of escape. These hunting regulations also ensure game populations remain healthy

and self-sustaining.
The things Vick pleaded guilty to, including electrocuting, drowning, beating and hanging dogs that did not perform well in the ring, is just plain sadistic. To compare this to what hunters do is a stretch, and a slap in the face to the millions of hunters out there.

In fact, to defend Vick's actions on any grounds demands some kind of personal bias. But if this sad case has proved nothing else, it certainly has shown there's plenty of bias to go around in this country.

Kurt Kuban is editor of the Canton Observer. He welcomes feedback at kkuban@hometownlife.com or (734) 459-2700.

Sheriff offers tips for 'safe passage' to, from school

our kids are heading back to school this week and they will be crossing paths with a lot of unfamiliar faces. Now is the time to ask yourself whether your child is prepared to respond appropriately if he or she is approached by a stranger.

Here are some important tips for keeping your child safe going to and from school.

Educate your child to the threats: Children can be naïve and sometimes too trusting. Parents can't afford to be. Without scaring them too much, make sure your children understand that there are bad people out there

who might hurt them and they need to be VERY careful who they come in contact with.

Show your child some of the ways a bad person might try to trick them, like telling them that he needs help finding his lost puppy, or that the child's parent was in an accident and he has come to take them to the hospital to see them. It's a good exercise to practice some scenarios with your child through role playing. Have a trusted friend play the part of

a bad guy to see how your child responds. Also, show your children how to keep their distance (walk in the opposite direction a car is driving) and be confident in saving "NO" to an adult, when appropriate.

Sheriff Warren

Evans

Lastly, teach them how to be observant and try to remember things like what the suspicious person's car looked like, what the license plate was, a physical description and what direction they left.

Know the lay of the land: Take the time to scout out the safest route to and from school for your child. It may not be the most direct, but it may be the most well-traveled and welllit with the fewest abandoned homes or overgrown lots to be concerned about.

Something else you can do is to search the state's sex offender registry Web site for known offenders in your community - particularly those with crimes against children and design your child's school route around them. You can find a link to the sex offender

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registry by visiting www.waynecounty.com/

If your child feels unsafe: The most effective way for a child to scare off someone who may be attempting to harm or abduct them, is to make noise. A lot of it. Screaming, or having something that is loud, distinctive and attention-getting, such as a whistle, will scare off most bad guys.

After a child has avoided a possible threat, he or she needs to find somewhere they feel safe. Establish locations along your child's school route that are "safe haven." It may be a public setting such as a gas station or grocery story, or the home of someone you trust.

When your child is home alone: If your child comes home from school and sees a door or window that is open that normally is not, tell them NOT to go in, but go somewhere safe that you have pre-determined.

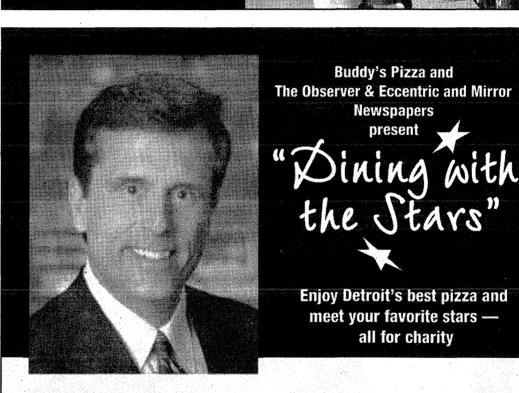
A child should NEVER answer the door if they are home alone unless it is someone you have pre-approved. Better to upset a friendly adult or miss a FedEx delivery than to let the wrong person in the door.

Even if he's home alone, your child should say something like: "My dad is fixing the sink and asked me to see who is at the door. He said to come back later.'

Following these simple tips can help keep vour child safe throughout the school year.

Warren Evans is the Wayne County sheriff.





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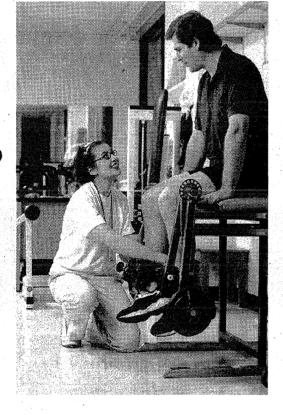
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Red storm rising: Chief kickers zap Mustangs

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When it came to quick-strike capability, the lightning that delayed Wednesday night's Canton-Northville soccer game for close to an hour had nothing on the Chiefs' high-voltage offense.

In a key early-season WLAA Western Division match played on the Mustangs' pitch, Canton buried four of its six shots in the back of the net to post a 4-2 victory.

The win improved the Chiefs' record to 3-0-2 overall and 1-0 in the division: Northville slipped to 5-1 and 0-1, respec-

"They had more scoring opportunities than we created, but we had the finishing bug in us tonight," said Canton coach George Tomasso. "I give a lot of credit to our boys. They showed up, played and worked hard. Like I told them after the game, they earned every minute of this victory."

Tomasso said there are intangibles — in addition to his team's on-the-field ability — that could make the upcoming season special for Canton.

"The great thing about this team is that somewhere along the line they've created this unbelievable team spirit and team unity,"

Tomasso said. "They play as hard as they can not just for themselves, but for the guys next to them. Nobody slacks for one minute. It's that attitude that helps them come through in the clutch in critical games like this."

With dark clouds still looming in the northern sky, senior Logan McGraw provided the first ray of sunshine for the Chiefs when he rocketed a shot past Northville goalie Jarrod Daul 1:41 into the contest to stake Canton to a 1-0 lead.

The Mustangs appeared to knot the game at 1-1, however, their apparent goal with 23:08 left in the half was disallowed due to an offsides infraction.

Northville threatened again at the 12:40 mark of the first half when senior mid-fielder Jeff Cheslik fired a laser at the Chiefs' net. But Canton senior goalkeeper Kevin Krause squeezed the ball on the doorstep to preserve the visitors' 1-0 advantage.

Possibly the Chiefs' biggest goal of the day came 4:05 before the half when Mark Edwards scored off a pass from Joey Krizanek to give Canton a 2-0 halftime advantage.

Krause helped the Chiefs secure the twogoal cushion when he denied Cheslik from

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Whalers open camp with 2 scrimmages

Newcomer Steve Lock recorded three goals and two assists as the Blues swept the Whites, 4-1 and 6-3, in a pair of scrimmages to open training camp for the Plymouth Whalers on Thursday at Compuware Arena.

Lock had two goals and an assist in the morning scrimmage for the Blues while Whaler veterans Andrew Fournier and Brett Valliquette added singles. Rookie Tyler J. Brown (an eighth-round 2007 draft choice) scored for the Whites.

Lock - recently acquired from Peterborough - notched a goal and an assist in the afternoon scrimmage for the Blues. Veterans Joe Gaynor, Kaine Geldart and Valliquette, and rookies Taylor Carnevale (2nd round) and Jamie Devane (7th round) added singles for the Blues. Brown scored again for the Whites in the afternoon scrimmage and veterans Joe McCann and Vern Cooper added singles.

Whites goals Thursday with a goal and three assists.

Lock scored a goal with four assists for five points and 20 PIM's in 54 games last year in an injury-plagued rookie season with Peterborough.

"Last year was a grind," Lock said. "I had a groin injury at the start of the year and it was tough building back up (physically) to where everyone else was. By Christmas, I was back, but it was tough getting into the lineup. Plymouth seems really nice so far. It looks like this is going to be a real good change."

Based on the Opening Day scrimmages, Lock is right on the

Plymouth kicks off the preseason against Windsor on Saturday at 4 p.m. at Compuware Arena.

Plymouth's home opener is Saturday, Sept. 22 at 7:05 p.m. against the Erie Otters at the Compuware Sports Arena.

The Whalers will raise their OHL championship banner before the start of the game.



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Canton senior fullback Jordan Raiford Stiff-arms a fallen Westland John Glenn player during a second quarter run Thursday afternoon. Raiford chalked up a team-high 105 yards rushing and a TD in the Chiefs' 24-20 victory.

TD with 17 seconds left lifts Canton over John Glenn, 24-20 STAFF WRITER

It took Canton's offense nearly two entire games to complete its first pass of the season but, boy, was it ever worth the wait.

Senior quarterback Adam Powers connected with senior running back Tim Klott on a 3-yard scoring strike with 17 seconds left Thursday afternoon to lift the Chiefs to a dramatic 24-20 come-from-behind victory over visiting Westland John Glenn.

Powers faked a dive into the line before rolling right, parallel with Klott, who found

an opening in the Rockets' secondary five yards deep in the end zone.

The Chiefs were 0-for-2 through the air in their opener against Toledo Central Catholic and 0-for-1 Thursday afternoon prior to the Powers-to-Klott hook-up.

The down-to-the-wire thriller left both teams with 1-1 records.

"It's a great play because it's a pass-run option for the quarterback," Canton head coach Tim Baechler said, referring to the game-winning aerial. "If the receiver is cov-

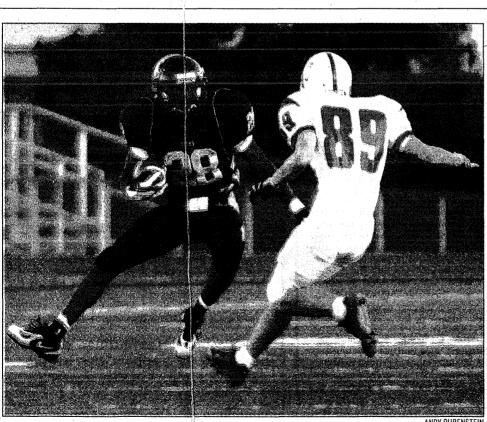
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Plymouth senior Myron Puryear returned a kickoff 40 yards Thursday night to set up the Wildcats' first score - a 23-vard field goal by Mike Korona. Puryear also played defensive back and picked up 44 yards on

seven carries

as a running

back



'Cats overcome miscues, **Rocks to improve to 2-0**

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

Late Thursday night, Plymouth head football coach Mike Sawchuk was searching for a silver lining in the wake of the Wildcats' cross-campus showdown with Salem — and his team was on the winning end of a 31-14 score.

"The only good thing I'll take out of tonight's game is that it proves we have enough talent to overcome a lot of mistakes," said Sawchuk, whose team improved to 2-0. "When you look at the scoreboard - 31-14 - it doesn'tlook too bad. But we must have had eight holding calls, we had

a running-into-the-kicker penalty and we got beat on a deep pass when we were in threedeep.

"Î'll take the win, but our next three games are against Wayne, Canton and Franklin, so we'd better get better in a hurry. I don't think we got better tonight."

The story on the Salem side of the field was a virtual carbon copy of last week's 29-18 loss at Pinckney, which the Rocks led at one point, 18-6, before fading over the final 24 minutes.

In both games, the Rocks played well enough to win in

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Livingston enshrined

Plymouth native Dale Livingston will be one six former athletes inducted into the Western Michigan University Athletic Hall of Fame on Oct. 5. A placekicker/punter for the Broncos from 1965-67, Livingston earned All-Mid-American Conference recognition twice and was named Second Team All-America as a

senior. Livingston, who is tied for the longest punt in a game (86 yards), was drafted in the third round of the 1968 NFL Draft by the Cincinnati Bengals. After playing two seasons with the Bengals, he served as the Green Bay Packers kicker during the 1970 season.

3-Club Challenge

Golfers will have a unique opportunity to take part in the naugural 3-Club Challenge Saturday, Sept. 15, at Pheasant Run Golf Course in Canton Township.

The shotgun start is scheduled for 3

Following the "Challenge," participants are invited to enjoy a wildgame dinner at the Summit Gourmet by Continental.

Pheasant Run is a scenic and challenging course designed by renowned architect Arthur Hills. The 27-hole layout covers more than 300 acres of rolling terrain.

For more information or to make reservations for the 3-Club Challenge, call (734) 3**9**7-6460; or visit http://leisure. canton-mi.org.

Recruiting realities

The Recruiting Realities Team will make a presentation at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 11, at the Northville High School Auditorium.

The one-hour presentation will inform parents and studentathletes about the value of academics in high school and college, along with unknown financial opportunities, NCAA guidelines and standards, the 10 VIP rules for parents, along with the role of the coach and athletic director.

The event is for high school athletes in all sports.

For more information, visit www. recruitingrealities. com.

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close range with 35 minutes left. Senior Tim Belcher sealed the Mustangs' fate with a pair of goals over the final 25:43. Belcher's first net-finder — a low screamer that snuck in just inside the left post

— was assisted by Pat Nolan. After Northville made things interesting with a pair of goals from Latif Alashe (19:30 mark) and Ceslik (13:10), Belcher's second goal provided insurance with just 66 seconds left.

"After we got the 3-0 lead, I wanted to slow the pace of the game down," Tomasso said. "I wanted us to maintain control and keep the nervous factor out of it. I thought we did that very well over the final six minutes."

Canton will take on Plymouth Tuesday at 7 p.m. on the P-CEP varsity soccer field. Plymouth's game against Livonia Franklin and Salem's match with Livonia Churchill were postponed due to the inclement weather.



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ered, the quarterback can run. Well, Tim was wide open and he and Adam made a play. It wasn't a great pass, but it was good enough, and Tim made a helluva catch.

"I'm very proud of this team. We needed this win for our psyche. These guys have never been in a position where they had to win before, but they stepped up and did it today."

Glenn senior quarterback Keshawn Martin scrambled in from 14 yards out with 6:30 to play to give the Rockets a 20-17 advantage. However, the Chiefs responded by breaking down the Glenn defense with 13 straight runs before breaking its heart with the pass.

"I thought our guys gave a tremendous effort," said Glenn head coach Todd DeLuca. "It came down to who had the ball last with enough time on the clock. I thought we showed tonight that we can play with the best teams in the league. I was proud of the guys. They gave everything they had."

DeLuca's players gave Canton everything — and more — than they could handle during the game's opening 18 minutes as they built a 13-3 lead.

Glenn seized a 7-0 advantage three minutes in when Martin hit Ryan Maxwell with a 28-yard scoring pass on a third-and-11 play. The TD was set up by Zack Bozigian's fumble recovery five plays earlier at the Canton 39.

On the ensuing drive, the Chiefs used 18 plays to motor from their 20 to the Rocket 6 before settling for Daniel Stoney's 23-yard field goal to cut the deficit to 7-3.

Glenn countered with an 11-play, 80yard possession that was capped by C.J. Woodford's five-vard run to paydirt with 5:56 to go in the first half. The extra point was no good, making it 13-3.

Canton regained the momentum 28 seconds before halftime when Dalton Walser's 1-yard TD run and Stoney's extra point made it 13-10.

The drive was the first engineered this

season by Powers, who replaced starter Jerome Scales mid-way through the second quarter.

"Adam is such a solid kid," Baechler said. "He's a character kid. He's not flashy; he just does his job."

After getting sliced apart by Martin and Co. during the first 24 minutes, the Dan Wanshon-led Canton defense forced a John Glenn three-and-out on the first series of the third quarter.

The Chiefs then secured their first lead when senior fullback Jordan Raiford plunged in from the 2 to put his team up 17-13 with 5:07 left in the third.

Canton's defense struck again less than three minutes later when Re-Michael Moore pounced on a fumble at the Glenn 30. However, the Rockets' defense stiffened when it stopped Klott just one link of the first-down chain short of a first down on a fourth-and-1 play.

Inspired by the stop, Glenn marched 80 yards and scored on Martin's keeper with 6:30 to go and grab a 20-17 lead.

What did Baechler tell his offense before it went on the field for its do-or-die drive?

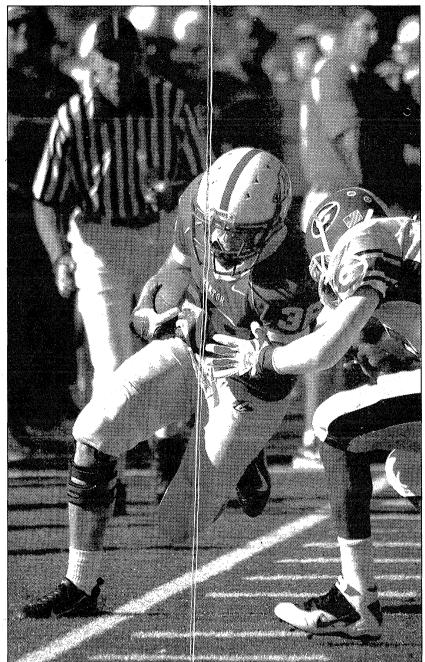
'There wasn't any time to talk about anything," he said. "It was just like, 'Hey, we've got to go.' We don't have a big-play offense, so it takes a while to score, which is good when you have a lead, but it can be bad when we're behind. Today, it worked out just right."

Baechler said he would have sent Stoney in to attempt a potential game-tying 20yard field goal if the third-down pass play would have come up empty. Led by Raiford's 105-yard rushing effort,

the Chiefs outgained the Rockets, 271-202, in total vards. Klott racked up 84 on 16 attempts while Walser added 54 on 15. Woodford grinded out 83 yards on 19 carries for the Rockets while Martin chipped in with 56 on 10 rushes. Martin was 2-for-3 through the air for 48 yards.

Powers and Wanshon both recorded eight tackles to pace the winners' defense. Scott Brown notched a team-high 10 tackles for the Rockets.

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THURSDAY, SEPT. 6

SATURDAY, SEPT. 8

Plymouth at Ypsilanti Early Season Invite, 4 p.m.

Salem at Brother Rice, 10 a.m. Plymouth at Tommy Titan, 4 p.m.

Canton at Tortoise &

Hare Invitational, 9:45 a.m.

Salem at Brother Rice, 10 a.m. Canton at Tortoise &

Hare Invitational, 10:15 a.m.

Northville at Salem at St. John's, 3 p.m. Canton at Plymouth at

GIRLS GOLF

FRIDAY, SEPT. 7

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WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 5

FRIDAY, SEPT. 7

SATURDAY, SEPT. 8

Salem at Northville, 4 p.m. Plymouth at Canton, 4 p.m.

Plymouth at Salem, 4 n.m.

Canton at Stevenson, 4 p.m.

Plymouth at Don Zielinski

Memorial Tournament at D.H. Crestwood H.S.

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

SATURDAY, SEPT. 8

Canton senior running back Dalton Walser lowers the boom on a John Glenn defensive back during a third-quarter run Thursday afternoon. Walser picked up 54 vards on 15 carries.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

PROPOSED TEXT AMENDMENT 003

TO AMEND TEXT:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NO. 99 BY AMENDING Article XIV ARC Ann Arbor Road Corridor District, Section 14.10 Signs; Article XXV Signs; Article XX Schedule of Regulations: Article XXI Residential Unit Developments; Article XXII Single Family Cluster Housing and Article XXIII Planned Unit Development Option.

DATE OF HEARING: Wednesday, September 19, 2007

TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 PM

PLACE OF HEARING: PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP HALL 9955 N. Haggerty Road

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of Plymouth Charter Township proposes on its own motion to amend, Article XIV ARC Ann Arbor Road Corridor District, Section 14.10 Signs; Article XXV Signs; Article XX Schedule of Regulations: Article XXI Residential Unit Developments; Article XXII Single Family Cluster Housing; and Article XXIII Planned Unit Development

- Section 14.10. ANN ARBOR ROAD CORRIDOR DISTRICT, 14.10.1 Purpose: Expand the purpose statement and address animated, electronic changeable message, flashing and moving
- Section 14.10.2: Definitions: Add definitions for Animated Sign, Changeable Copy Sign (Electronic), and clarify definitions for Changeable Copy Sign, (Manual), Flashing or Moving Sign, Institutional Bulletin Board, Signable Area, and Time-
- Section 14.10.3: Modify illustration to clarify how sign area and signable area are measured. Add new subsection (d) "Signable Area" defining how to measure signable area.
- Section 14.10.4: Specify that animated signs, LED architectural lighting, awning and marquee signs, are prohibited; and that canopy signs, electronic changeable copy signs and neon (glass tubing) signs are permitted only under specific conditions.
- Section 14.10.5(a)8): Revise to specify manual changeable copy signs and permit letters up to 9 inches in height for gas station
- Section 14.10.5(b): Revise subsection 1) to require a wall sign to be located inside the signable area used to determine the maximum permitted size of that sign. Amend subsection 3) to allow a wall sign on a building wall facing a street, even if the building does not have a public ingress or egress on that wall. Add new subsection 6) regulating manual changeable copy wall signs. Renumber former subsection 6) as new subsection 7) and clarify that manual changeable copy wall signs are permitted.
- Sec. 14.10.5: Delete subsection (e) Awning, Canopy and Marquee Signs, and renumber subsequent subsections.
- Section 14.10.5: Add new subsection (n) Gas Service Station Signs to allow electronic changeable copy on a limited basis for fuel price numbers only; regulate the size, colors, brightness and placement of changeable copy; identify design standards for the monument sign base; permit one wall sign; permit a maximum of 2 gas canopy signs at the rate of one per street frontage; and regulate the size and placement of gas canopy signs.
- Section 14.10.5: Add new subsection (o) Time-Temperature Signs to provide for time-temperature signs as a public service; permit the use of electronic numerals in time-temperature signs; and regulate the frequency that those numerals change.
- 10. Article XXV SIGN REGULATIONS, Purpose: Expand the purpose statement to address animated, electronic changeable message, flashing and moving signs.
- 11. Section 25.1 DEFINITIONS: Add definitions for Animated Sign, Changeable Copy Sign (Manual), Changeable Copy Sign

(Electronic), and clarify definitions for Flashing or Moving Sign, Institutional Bulletin Board, Signable Area, and Time-Temperature Sign.

- 12. Section 25.2: Add text and modify illustration to clarify how sign area and signable area are measured.
- Section 25.4: Delete current Section 25.4.6 and replace with new Section 25.4.6 regulating signs at gasoline service stations to allow electronic changeable copy on a limited basis for fuel price numbers only; regulate the size, colors, brightness and placement of changeable copy; identify design standards for the monument sign base: permit one wall sign; permit a maximum of 2 gas canopy signs at the rate of one per street frontage, and regulate the size and placement of gas canopy signs.
- Section 25.8: Specify that animated signs, LED architectural lighting, awning and marquee signs, are prohibited and that canopy signs, electronic changeable copy signs and glass tubing signs are permitted only under specific conditions.
- Section 25.9.2: Amend subsection (f) to allow a wall sign on a building wall facing a street, even if the building does not have a public ingress or egress on that wall.
- Delete current Section 25.9.4 and renumber subsequent sections accordingly.
- 17. Section 25.9.7: Amend to be the new Section 25.9.6 to provide for manual changeable copy ground signs and manual changeable copy wall signs.
- Section 25.9.9: Amend to be the new Section 25.9.7 to provide for Time-Temperature signs as a public service, permit the use of electronic numerals in time-temperature signs and regulate the frequency that those numerals change.
- Section 20.1: Increase rear yard setback in the R-2-A District to 50 feet.
- Section 20.2: Revise footnote (k) to require a 50 foot building setback when any multiple family use abuts a single family residential district or where any dwelling unit in the R-2-A district faces or backs up to a side parcel line.
- Section 21.10.6(a): Add new subsection 3) to require a 50 foot setback when a dwelling unit in an RUD faces or backs up to a side or rear parcel line.
- Section 21.10.6(b): Correct typo by adding word "the".
- Section 22.10.8: Add new subsection (d) to require a 50 foot setback when a dwelling unit in a single family cluster development faces or backs up to a side or rear parcel line.
- Section 23.10.3: Add a new subsection (d) to require a 50 foot building setback when any multiple family use abuts a single family residential district or where any dwelling unit in the PUD faces or backs up to a side parcel line.
- Section 23.11.6: Add a new subsection (c) to require a 50 foot building setback when any multiple family use abuts a single family residential district or where any dwelling unit in the PUD faces or backs up to a side parcel line.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed amendments may be examined at the Plymouth Township Hall, Community Development Department, during regular business hours from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Application No. 1973. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting and may be mailed to 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, MI 48170 or call 734-354-3270, ext. 6. The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall which is located at 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth Township, MI 48170. At the public hearing, the Planning Commission may recommend approval of the text changes as proposed or as amended.

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> Kendra Barberena, Secretary Planning Commission

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THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL FRIDAY, SEPT. 7

wayne at Plymouth, 4:30 p.m. Stevenson at Salem, 7(30 p.m. Canton at Northville, 7 p.m.

BOYS SOCCER TUESDAY, SEPT. 4

Salem at Stevenson, 7 p.m. Plymouth at Canton, 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 5 W.L. Western at Plymouth, 7 p.m. Wayne at Canton, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 8 Salem at East Lansing Invite, 11:15 a.m. Plymouth at Farmington, 12:30 p.m. Novi at Canton, 12:30 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL SATURDAY, SEPT. 8

Plymouth and Cainton at Wildcat Invite, TBA

GIRLS SWIMMING THURSDAY, SEPT. 6 Tecumseh at Plymouth at Canton H.S., 7 p.m.

Canton at John Glenn, 7 p.m. SATURDAY, SEPT. 33 WLAA Relays at Salem, noon **BOYS CROSS COUNTRY**

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED DECEMBER 1, 2007 MILLAGE RATES ANI) PROPOSED 2008 BUDGETS

Notice is hereby given that the Charter Township of Canton Board of Trustees will hold a Public Hearing on the 2008 proposed budget

DATE: Tuesday, September 11, 2007 7:00 P.M TIME:

PLACE: Board of Trustees Meeting Room, Cariton Administration Building

1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188

A copy of the proposed 2008 budget is available for public inspection at the Canton Township Clerk's Office.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

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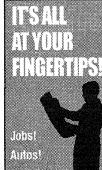
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Clean sweep for Lady Crusaders

The Our Lady of Good Counsel varsity "A" girls soccer team swept the St. Alfred's preseason tournament Aug. 25-27, shutting out its opponents 7-0, 3-0 and 5-0, respectively. Madison Williams earned the tournament's All-Star Award and Lindsay Winkler was voted the MVP. Pictured are (top row from left) head coach Tim Cronyn, assistant coach Phil Winkler, (middle row from left) Erin Cronyn, Kelly Kerwin, Maura Dunleavy, Ashley Berry, Angela Broggi, Chloe Williams, Audrey Cords, (bottom row from left) Kristen Childs, Andrea Villareal, Erica Ley, Madison Williams, Lindsay Winkler, Emma Ellswood, Nicole Mott, Courtney Doenitz and Kylie Birney.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Officials sought

Registrations for individuals interested in becoming a high school athletic game official for the 2007-08 school year may do so exclusively online through the Michigan High School Athletic Association's Web site, mhsaa.com.

Applications will be accepted online, by mail, and on a walk-up basis in the MHSAA Office for the upcoming school year. The MHSAA Office has a lobby kiosk available for online registrations.

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involving MHSAA schools. There is an officials' registration test, which is for first-time in the past year. The test consists of 75 questions derived from the

MHSAA Officials Guidebook, which is available on the Officials page of the MHSAA Web site, and may be used during the open-book

Online registration can be accessed by clicking "Officials" on the Home Page of the MHSAA Web site. More information about officials registration may be obtained by contacting the MHSAA at 1661 Ramblewood Drive, East Lansing, MI 48823; call (517) 332-5046; or e-mail register@mhsaa.com.

Youth hoop league

Madonna University will stage a Sunday Youth Basketball League beginning Sunday, Sept. 9 through Oct. 28, at the MU Activities Center.

Ages 10-12 will report at 3 p.m. followed by ages 13-15 at 5 p.m. on Sept. 9. Each day will consist of a skill-building session and a league

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the first half - Salem led Plymouth 7-3 with two minutes left in the half - before getting buried by an avalanche of illtimed penalties and rally-killing turnovers.

"We've got to figure out a way to finish games," said Salem coach Parker Salowich, whose team dropped to 0-2. "It's frustrating for the kids because they're so close to winning and they want to win so bad.

"Special teams and penalties killed us tonight. Plus we need to possess the football more and put together some four- or five-minute drives. My hat's off to Plymouth — they were able to possess the ball better than we were."

Salem jumped ahead, 7-0, when junior quarterback Heath Parling and senior receiver Jesse Pointer hooked up on a 45-yard TD pass on a secondand-20 play with 5:43 left in the opening quarter. Pointer outjumped a smaller Plymouth defensive back in the left corner of the end zone to put the finishing touches on a six-play, 53-yard drive.

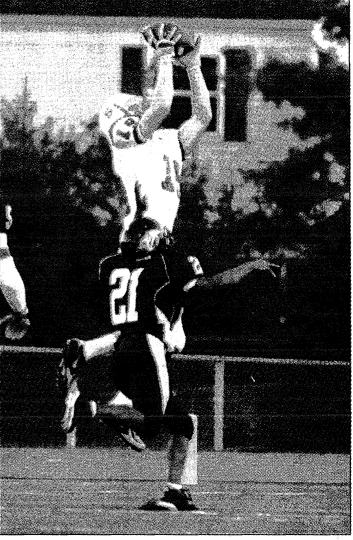
Plymouth cut its deficit to 7-3 two minutes later thanks to Mike Korona's 23-yard field goal. The kick was set up by Myron Puryear's 40-yard kickoff return.

The Wildcats grabbed their first lead of the night with 1:59 to go in the half when back-up quarterback Chris Stewart lofted a perfect 40-yard TD pass to junior tight end Ronnie Goble to make it 10-7.

Led by Kyle Wallath, Spencer Tobin and Connor Martin, the Wildcats' defense stiffened in the second half and limited the Rocks to just two first downs.

Meanwhile, their offense started clicking in the fourth quarter when they found paydirt on three consecutive drives.

Junior running back Terrance Guthridge sprinted in from 30 yards out less than a minute into the final quarter to



Salem senior receiver Jesse Pointer outjumped a Plymouth defensive back to record a 45-yard touchdown in Thursday night's cross-campus showdown.

make it 17-7.

Myron Puryear salted the game away with a 1-yard TD at the 6:05 mark to pad his team's lead to 24-7.

Salem's Anthony Mullins' 3yard scoring run cut the 'Cats' advantage to 24-14 with 4:33 left, however, Guthridge tacked on a 15-yard TD with 2:50 remaining to close the scoring.

It was raining yellow flags for most of Thursday night's contest as Plymouth was whistled for 11 penalties for 100 yards while the Rocks committed 10 infractions totaling 75 yards.

Guthridge registered his second straight 150-yard-plus performance as he chewed up 155

yards on 22 carries. Puryear added 44 yards on seven tries while starting quarterback C.J. Gregory hit 3-of-6 passes for 31 yards.

Plymouth outgained Salem, 273-223, in total yards.

Mullins was held in check for most of the evening by the Wildcats' swarming defense. The junior gained 47 yards on 14 carries and 55 yards on six receptions. Parling completed 13-of-28 passes for 143 yards; he also ran for 33 yards on seven carries.

Pointer hauled in four Parling spirals for 66 yards.

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All Saints victorious

The All Saints Catholic School varsity blue girls volleyball team won an eight-team tournament held last weekend at All Saints Catholic School in Canton. All Saints defeated the Irish of St. Patrick Catholic School in the championship match. The girls' CYO varsity volleyball season kicks off on Sept. 8 at the ASCS Thunderdome on Warren Road in Canton. Pictured are (front row from left) Alana Kramer, Sarah Kawsky, Chloe Baumgartner, Nicole Jonik, Morgan Rowland, (back row from left) Coach Julie Jonik, Clare Laut, Heather Pijor, Abigail Dworzanin, Allie DiMaria, Kathryn Abramoski and Coach Anne Ellis.

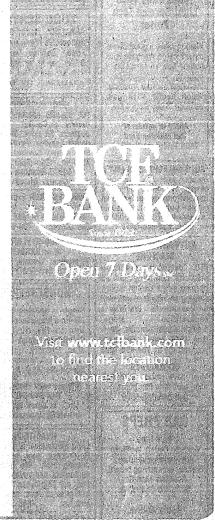
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Sibling rivalry can be mended

My sister and I have never really been close. I feel that she is backing away from me because of the type of relationship that I have with my mother. My mother and I only bonded because of my illnesses (I have been diagnosed with a few connective tissue diseases including fibromyalgia) and she is there for me when I need someone to talk to and she doesn't judge me. On the other hand, I want this kind of relationship with my sister; I would like for the bond to be between the three of us. But the moment we get together and my illnesses get brought up, she says that I'm seeking attention and that I'm a drug addict. I'm neither.



Terry Wilamowski I'm wondering if I have the right to confront her on this issue and tell her she isn't the only one with hardships in her life. I've never been a me, me, me person but I'm afraid this is how she sees me. I know that this will keep my mother, sister and me from becoming close. I have always loved my sister and no matter how much I tell her that she won't believe me. Thanks for your time.

I know that the difficulties that you are having with your sister seem to stem from the illnesses with which you have been diagnosed. However, you state that

you and your sister have never been close to one another and I am assuming that this was true long before you had been diagnosed with any of the illnesses that you mentioned in your letter. With this in mind, let's assume that the illness issue is just the current manifestation of the problem and not its defining characteristic. In other words, even though it looks like your sister has a problem with your ailments, the truth is that the problem is rooted far deeper than this issue.

The central concern is that each of you feels that the other is a threat to the amount and/or quality of attention and affection that you will receive from your mother. This is called "sibling rivalry" and has been discussed in this column several times in the past couple of years. Usually, with patience and support, parents can help their children to grow out of this phase and become closer to one another. However, in unusual situations, the rivalry escalates rather than decreases and the siblings continue to feel that they are enemies rather than family. This seems to be what is happening in your situation.

You write that your sister gets upset whenever your illnesses are discussed. Why? Because your sickness is a source of attention from your mother with which she cannot compete. Think about it, in your letter you state that you and your mother "only" bonded because of your illness. What you are saving is that if it were not for these illnesses you and your mother would not have become as close as you are. What would happen if your sister was the sick one, would your roles be reversed? Would it be you that were the odd woman out?

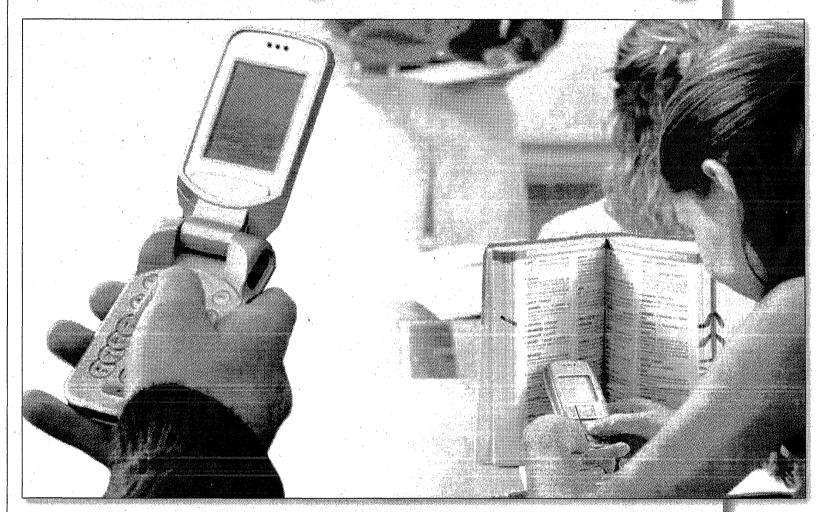
You seem to believe that this is true which strengthens your reliance on the "sick role" to remain close to your mother and ensures that your illnesses will always be a topic for discussion ... especially when your sister, your rival, is present. After all, any and all discussion of your illnesses reinforces your bond with Mom ... it also has the added bonus of reminding your sister that she is an outsider. Your sister knows this and reacts with anger, calling you names and questioning the validity of your sickness. This pattern of provoke and attack has probably been long established.

The tragedy is that you and your sister are not interacting as individuals, but only as part of the family system. You are staying locked into the roles that were selected years ago and you are not allowing yourselves the opportunity for success. For now, it is not possible to form a close bond between all three of you until there is less negativity between the two sisters.

If you truly want to become closer, spend time with just the two of you. Do not invite mom, friends, your significant others etc. Just the two of you. And take it slow. Shoot for a lunch meeting rather than a weekend away. Avoid the hot button issues, such as family politics or illnesses, in favor of general conversation. Remember that the purpose of this time together is to learn who the other person really is, not who we think that they are. Go into this with an open mind. Who knows, you may discover that you haven't really known each other or interacted on any real level before.

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Gell phones disrupt learning



Schools toughen stand on electronic devices

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

aime DeGrande hopes stricter enforcement of the lectronic device policy eliminates distractions in high school classrooms in the Plymouth-Canton Community district this year. In June, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools sent home a letter informing parents about suspending high school students for

one day for the first offense, three days for the second and third, and five days for the fourth and subsequent infractions.

Schools districts in the area are getting tougher when it comes to enforcing electronic device policies that ban the use of cell phones. iPods and various electronic devices. In the Plymouth-Canton district students are allowed to carry cell phones and electronic devices but must turn them off and conceal

them during school hours and on school vehicles. Totally banned are CD players, MP3, iPods, pagers, and laser pointers.

The Farmington Board of Education policy mirrors Plymouth-Canton's plus bans the possession or use of walkie-talkies and portable CB and HAM radios, scanning devices, and games or toys transmitting a signal more

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Bach festival spotlights Brahms, Tchaikovsky as well

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

Classical music lovers don't seem to mind that although the event is called the Lexington Bach Festival, they'll hear a variety of compositions at the concerts in the little town on M-25 in Michigan's Thumb area. Julia Kurtyka founded the festival with Lee Jones, president of the Lexington Arts Council, and Mike Ziegler, to spotlight the music of Johann Sebastian Bach, the legendary German composer from the Baroque period. Over the years the event evolved to include composers from the same era. Eight seasons later, Kurtyka quips "We're going to start calling it Bach & Friends."

The Livonia violinist as well as audience members seem to enjoy the chamber music programs with Lake Huron nearby. The festival grew from a Friday and Saturday affair to add a Thursday concert in 2005. New this year is a Wednesday workshop. All except one of the programs takes place at St. Denis Catholic Church. Keyboardist Thomas Brown presents the Wednesday

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organ workshop on improvisation at Trinity Episcopal church. The festival is sponsored by the Lexington Arts Council with grants from the Michigan Council for Arts & Cultural Affairs, and the National Endowment for the Arts.

We call it an extraordinary experience this year. It's so varied from an organ workshop to a young girl beginning her career to Elaine Douvas who just celebrated 30 years playing oboe with the Metropolitan Opera in New York," Kurtyka said. "We have festival orchestra musicians coming from Cleveland, Pennsylvania, North

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Julia Kurtyka enjoys rehearsing for the Lexington Bach Festival she co-founded in



Bach at the festival. Douvas is principal oboe for the Metropolitan Opera in New York City.



Caroline Goulding began studying violin at age 3 with Julia Kurtyka in Port Huron.



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COMPETING WITH TEACHERS

Last year, cell phone-using students forced DeGrande to compete for their attention in her business class at Plymouth Salem High School. This year the problem could escalate when DeGrande begins teaching students to run the school store as part of the vocational program at Plymouth Canton High School. DeGrande will be less able to oversee students than in the marketing classroom next to the store where five or more students will be carrying out various tasks from ordering to inventorying stock.

"It seems they all have cell phones," said DeGrande. "They're very aware of the policy on cell phones but that doesn't deter them. I see them in the hallways, in the classrooms. I'll see a student with their hands under their desk and know they're trying to send text messages or check messages. They're mostly texting, but once in a great while a phone would ring. While most put them on vibrate or silent, they're always trying to check them."

During the 2006-2007 school year, DeGrande's students sat two to a table so cell phone users were distracting their neighbors as well. Parents are equally to blame, says DeGrande.

"It's kind of interesting when I would catch a student with their cell phones, they would say it was their parents' and it was. I think a lot of parents are getting a hold of kids to leave messages and don't realize they could be disrupting a classroom," said DeGrande. "Kids think it's OK because it's mom. It's not OK."

In addition to causing distractions, cell phones can be used to cheat on tests.

"I haven't heard students talking about it, but I almost guarantee they're telling friends information on the test. I've had extra credit questions where they've come in and told me what it was," said DeGrande.

DeGrande plans to remind students of the policy and stricter enforcement.

"I'm going to tell them I'm following school policy and will take their phone," said DeGrande. "If there's an emergency, teachers' numbers are online so if there's an emergency parents can reach students."

PARENTS SUPPORTIVE

Frank Ruggirello Jr. says so far parents have been supportive. It was apparent during last school year something had to be done.

"Last year we had a fight after school. The kids had text messaged each other there was a fight in a certain place. With three high schools on one campus this usually becomes a problem sooner," said Ruggirello, director of community relations for Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

As with the Plymouth-Canton district, students at Garden City High School have their phone taken away for the first violation, but discipline isn't implemented until the second infraction.

When school starts Sept. 6, middle and high school students will receive a copy of the Student Code of Conduct, and all incoming students will attend a welcoming orientation which explains the policy in depth.

"Cell phones are to be out of sight and mind, and not to be out or used during instructional hours or passing time," said Derek Fisher, director of student services for Garden City Public Schools.

"One of the issues we had was a prevalence of cameras incorporated into cell phones. It compromises student confidentiality. We have 1,500 students at the high school, and probably 60 percent of the kids have cell phones. It disrupts classes. We do have a phone in the office for students to use. They're better off leaving it at home."

The policy for cell phone usage has been spelled out in the Student Code of Conduct for Wayne-Westland Community Schools for years. Students receive a copy during registration and a parent must sign and return it

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"Students are very comfortable with all these technologies. There have been isolated cases of students texting others students about tests in earlier classes," said Gregory Baracy, superintendent of Wayne-Westland Community Schools. We had a student text inappropriate messages to another student. The incidences remain very isolated.

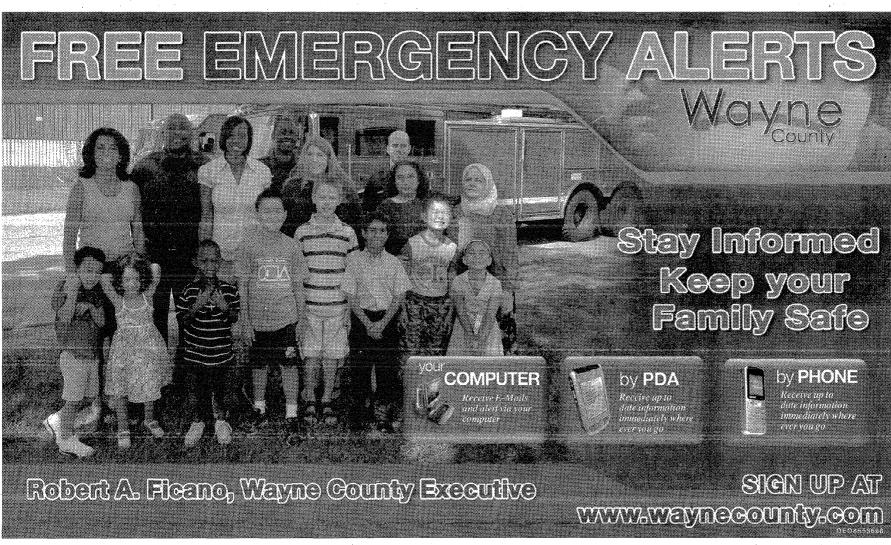
"The use of electronic communication devices depends on the circumstances. Students can use the phone before and after school starts in the Commons area where they may congregate, but can't use it in hallways, can't use them during lunch, and are prohibited from using them in locker rooms and bathrooms. If they need to call a parent after school they can use them in the Commons area."

Like the Plymouth-Canton district, Redford Union Schools have strengthened its electronic device policy this

"Cell phones have to be turned off at the middle and high school and in a student's locker," said Donna Rhodes, superintendent of Redford Union Schools. "It's been proven students have not made the wisest decisions. The concern for the board is cyber-bullying. Because of camera phones, I had heard of students who take pictures of other students in the locker rooms and bathrooms and put them on the Web.

"Parents need to reinforce why we're trying to protect students in terms of cyberbullying. Teachers and the main and counseling offices all have phones. Parents were concerned about what happened at Virginia Tech. In an extreme emergency students can use the phone in the classroom."

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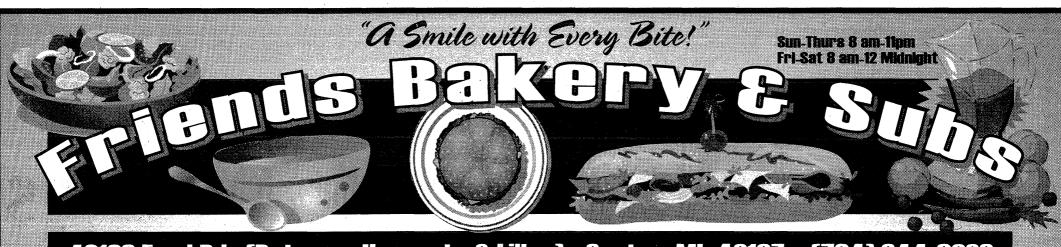


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Once the two of you can interact as individuals, then gradually begin to address some of the family issues and introduce others into your conversations and relationship. To help this along, I encourage you to seek the advice and guidance of a therapist. This support may help you to deal with the difficulties associated with your illnesses, your feelings that your relationship with your mother depends on being ill, and with your rivalry with your sister.

With time, it may be possible for you and your sister to feel connected. It may even be possible for each of you to establish and maintain a quality relationship with your mother, that is independent of illness or conflict. You can expect nothing more and deserve nothing less.

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BY LINDA ANN CHOMI STAFF WRITER

Coping with cancer is difficult enough without having to worry about paying for medical treatment. The additional stress only hinders the healing process of patients Susan Spolsky sees at St. Mary Mercy Hospital where she's employed as a social worker. That's why the Redford resident is excited about walking in the first Celebrate Life! 5K Run/Walk Saturday, Sept. 15, to raise money for cancer patients who are uninsured or underinsured.

St. Mary's Hospital was looking for a way to celebrate the opening of its new cancer center on Sept. 24, when staff came up with the idea to continue helping patients who face this devastating disease. In 2006, St. Mary Mercy Hospital provided more than \$2.3 million in medical services to more than 1,000 patients with financial needs through the hospital's Community Care Program. If patients meet the financial guidelines, assistance

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When: 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 15, registration from 7-8:30 a.m. Where: St. Mary Mercy Hospital grounds, 36475 Five Mile at Levan, Livonia

Registration: Call Carlos Junca at (734) 655-1402 to volunteer or for more information. Register online to participate in the race at www.stmarymercy.org and click on Celebrate Life. Fee is \$20 on or before Sept. 7, \$25 after or on race day.

Details: Runners/wallkers who register on or before Sept. 7 will be guaranteed a race T-shirt. For those registering after Sept.. 7, T-shirts will be provided until supply is gone.

can range up to 100-percent coverage. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, 45 million Americans do not have health insurance.

"I think this is a wonderful

initiative. It's hard to be thinking about financial burden especially if it has to do with a terminal illness. It could be a better transition. Dying isn't easy but it could make it so much easier. They can close off relationships, say goodbye, but not all cancers are terminal. They could just worry about the physical struggle alone. Stress is devastating. Financial stress if you have it is even worse," said Susan Spolsky who's son Andy, a 17-year old Thurston High School student will be running the race.

Dr. Stephanie Falbo plans to walk with her 4-year old daughter Lindsay as part of the hospital's radiology department. Falbo is one of six doctors in the Livonia Radiology Group which is sponsoring any radiology employee who wants to run or walk the race.

"It's a wonderful cause to support cancer patients that need help with their medical bills. We're hoping it will be an annual event," said Dr. Stephanie Falbo, a radiologist and director of MRI at St. Mary Mercy Hospital. "I see breast cancer patients who come back for their mammograms. Some patients have trouble paying for their mammograms. After having breast cancer they need to come back for mammograms. The hospital and our group is very supportive of people, helping them pay their bills. It will be fun for everybody to work together, for us to be out their together to support the hospital and patients."

Jennifer Kennedy will be running as part of the team which planned the event. Kennedy regularly runs in races to benefit local

Her grandmother died from breast cancer and she knows survivors so it's important for her to support the fund-raiser.

excited about it," said Jennifer
Kennedy, the hospital's marketing and public relations manager.
"We're offering first and second place runners, male and female, gift certificates. Participants are not required to raise money and there will be water along the route,



A few of the planning team members for St. Mary Mercy Hospital 5K Run/ Walk for Cancer participated in the Plymouth Family YMCA Father's Day Run on June 17. Pictured are Christine Hughes (left), Ken Sova, Jennifer Kennedy, and Michelle Tessmer.

refreshments and snacks afterwards for participants."

Dick Stanisz and his wife
Delphine are volunteering their
time to work in the food area at
the race. The 76-year old Livonia
man was diagnosed with NonHodgkin's Lymphoma 8-years ago.
He has been in remission since
November after going through
chemotherapy and radiation.

"I have insurance to cover it. We were very fortunate but met many people who did not have that good fortune and wondered can they get it or do they not," said Dick Stanisz. "Over those 8 years we saw a lot of people struggling, not just sick, but sick twice over of having to figure out how to deal with cost."

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Carolina. On Sunday musicians will go to four churches to play for their services. I think the community appreciates us getting involved in their events. We want not to just come and invade a town. On Friday a small ensemble goes into schools. It's very family oriented, a wonderful experience not just for musicians but the town as well."

Kurtyka lives and breathes music. When she isn't serving as associate concertmaster of the Birmingham Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra (BBSO) and concertmaster of the Grosse Pointe Symphony and Southern Great Lakes Symphony downriver, Kurtyka is conducting the youth string orchestra of the Livonia Youth Philharmonic of Michigan, or the youth string orchestra she started in Grosse Pointe. She also teaches privately in the Livonia and the Grosse Pointe areas as well as works as a freelance musician in metro Detroit.

"It's the surroundings, the serenity of when you drive in there's one light in town," said Kurtyka.
"It's a hectic time but there's still something relaxing and moving

about it."
Linette Popoff-Parks found the experience so moving last year, she returns to present her notes about the compositions before the week-

end concerts.
"Last year I felt like I'd been

transported from a different time. For the weekend you're surrounded by music and musicians. You're in this small community away from the maddening crowd. People are just there for the purpose of making music together and have fun doing it. You feel like you're on this little island of music and joy," said Linette Popoff-Parks, chairwoman of the music department at Madonna University in Livonia. "Community members are so excited and interested in learning about the music as well as listening. Last year the teacher in me took over and I asked some questions. I like the interactive

approach."
Timothy Nicolia confesses he's a Bachophile looking forward to hearing Elaine Douvas, principal oboe for the Metropolitan Opera, perform the composer's Concerto in d minor. Nicolia, principal cellist with the BBSO, has been performing at the festival since the inception. He has conducted the Birmingham Musicale String Ensemble for 19 years.

"It's always a great experience with a lot of people coming in from around the nation," said Timothy Nicolia. "It's intense for a short period of time. You feel like a family. It's a good way to kick off the regular season."

The teacher comes out in Kay
DeLuca when she thinks about
the festival. The violinist taught
strings in Farmington Public
Schools for 34 years before retiring
in 2000. She was named String
Teacher of the Year in Michigan
in 1999.

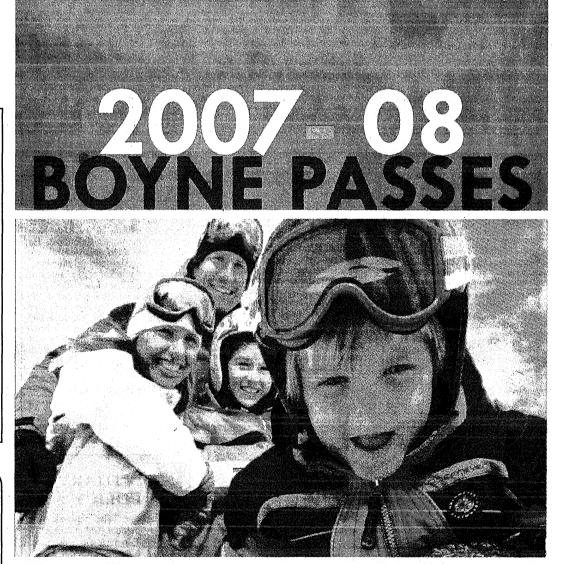
"I'm looking forward to Caroline Goulding, a young girl, because she played in the festival 4 or 5 years ago. At that time her presence was absolutely amazing. It's good to know she's continuing and growing. I want to be part of the orchestra and support her," said DeLuca. "It's a very special chamber orchestra. You have a feeling like you're one instrument and we do it in a short amount of time. That's why it's important to get prepared ahead of time."

DeLuca has always received her music and will be studying the parts and playing through to find the difficulties. She has a little more time these days even though she freelances with the BBSO. DeLuca is taking a leave of absence this season as principal violist of the Rochester Symphony to travel with her husband Tom, a violin maker, who regularly gives presentations on his craft. He joins Kay in visiting schools during the festival.

"I bring raw materials to various stages of violin making," said Tom DeLuca. "I explain how violins are made from the time the wood's taken out of the tree. People get a chance to get their hands on it."

"Friday during the day, I perform with Julia in a quartet and go into the schools to introduce strings," added Kay. "We sometimes focus on Bach and talk about his 21 children. This year we're going to focus on the instruments themselves, how they're made and what produces the sound, how it's different from woodwinds or brass."







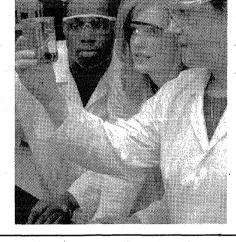
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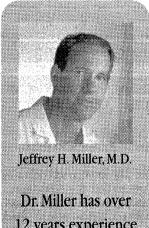
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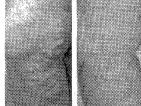
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REUNIONS

Livonia Bentley High School Class of 1967

The Livonia Bentley High School Class of 1967 gathers for its 40th reunion on Saturday Oct. 27, 2007, at the Radisson Hotel, Laurel Park in Livonia. Alumni can update their address by calling Sharon at 734-261-3264; emailing to celebrationstoremember@ yahoo.com or visiting ctrinc.divincinet.com.

Livonia Stevenson High School Class of 1987

The Class of 1987 at Stevenson High School meets for its 20th reunion on Saturday, Oct. 20, 2007, at St. Mary's Cultural Center in Livonia. Alumni can update their address by calling Sharon at 734-261-3264; e-mailing to celebrationstoremember@yahoo.com or visiting ctrinc.divincinet.com.

Oak Park High School Class of 1962

A 45-year reunion, 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13 at Peking House, Royal Oak. Also a get-together 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 12, at Ginopolis in Farmington Hills. For information, call Shelley (Cherin) Wasserman at (248)626-1303.

Redford Thurston High School

A 50-year reunion is planned with several events Sept. 14-16 at Embassy Suites, Livonia. For information, contact Ron Beller at (989)652-9724 or e-mail at Admiral741@yahoo. com or Marian Keegan Hierholzer at (248)349-2697 or e-mail at Mamia@ comcast.net

Classes of the '80s

Classes of 1957, 1958

Thurston High School's '80s Reunion Committee will host a 2007 THS Multi-Year Reunion from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 22, at the Hyatt Regency, in Dearborn. A limited number of first-come/first served tickets at \$59 per person will be available and no tickets will be sold at the door. E-mail Andrea Gambotto (Class of '86) at andshaffer@netscape.net or Dan Phillips (Class of '82) at DanielP422@ yahoo. com. Representatives from graduating classes of '80, '82, '88 and '89 are sought.

Redford Union High School Class of 1977

The Redford Union Class of 1977 will have a 30-year reunion on Saturday Sept. 15, 2007, at the Radisson

Hotel, Laurel Park in Livonia. Alumni can update their address by calling Sharon at 734-261-3264; e-mailing to celebrationstoremember@yahoo.com or visiting ctrinc.divincinet.com.

Inkster Roosevelt High School Class of 1957 and 1958

REUNIONS

A combined reunion on Sept. 21-22, 2007, at the Marriott Hotel in Romulus. All classes welcome. For information, contact Yvonne (Guertin) Mack at (734)464-7748 or email ymack@twmi.rr.com or Stan Pientack at (734)475-2797.

Roseville High School Class of 1956

A 50th reunion in fall of 2006. The reunion committee is searching for classmates. For information, call Shirley at (586) 677-2709; Alice at (586) 792-7757 or e-mail at alijune1939@scbglobal.net or thehermans2002@comcast.net.

Class of 1957

Seeking classmates for 50th reunion, Oct. 13, 2007. Contact Rich Crowe at (248)583-9784 OR email: crowe_123@ hotmail.com.

Class of 1972

A 35-year reunion Sept. 15, 2007. Visit www.Roseville72.com for information or call Gail Williams-Straughen at (586-247-8087 or Roseville72-Reunion@vahoo.com.

Royal Oak Kimball High School Class of 1977

A 30th reunion, 6-12 p.m. Oct. 6 at Berkley American Legion Hall, 2079 W. Adler-Rood

12 Mile, Berkley. Cost \$25 per person

drinks, DJ and photographer. Casual

dress. Organized by Sue (Bush) Carlin

information, contact Sue at (248)788-

A 20-year reunion is being planned

ates of June 1987. If interested in

for summer 2007. Looking for gradu-

attending or know of whereabouts of

graduates, contact Terri Banks-Faison

at (313)220-4769 or tntfaison@aol.com

Reunion Saturday, Oct. 13, 2007, at

Southfield Embassy Suites, 28100

Franklin Road, Southfield. Contact Pat

Sievert-Schmidt at (248)476-0102 or

A 30th Reunion on Sunday, Sept. 2,

2007. For further information, contact

MDurz@aol.com or lleneSilvermanAbri

A reunion for all alumni from all years

will take place the weekend of Oct.

at 4pm. Tickets are \$45 (\$50 at the

door). Please email mrkf4@vahoo.

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A 40-year class reunion is planned for

Saturday, Oct. 27, 2007, at Ginopolis

on the Grill, Farmington Hills. Dinner and dancing. For more information,

contact Gloria (Mishik) Bobrowski at

net or Chuck Zuccarini at (734)425-

A 30-year reunion, Sept. 28-29.

Contact www.tayloralumni.org or

Karen Vega Bonanno karenvega-

Wayne Memorial High School

bonanno@hotmail.com or (734)522-

A 25th class reunion. Reunion dinner,

Saturday, Sept. 29. \$50 per person

at Fellows Creek Golf Club with open

bar. Contact Connie Wright-Gregory

com. Payment must be received by

D.O.G. to host

second annual

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN

STAFF WRITER

If you're a dog lover you don't

Sunday, Sept. 9, at Hines Park Dog

Park, Hawthorne Ridge, west of

"We have many people com-

ing. We have a low cost vaccina-

Wakefield of Livonia. "It's a fund-

raiser for the off-leash dog park.

The money goes just to buy poop

bags or buy a new locking system.

year. It's a lot of fun. We have a pet

massage therapist doing massages.

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rescue groups will be on site with

dogs and cats to adopt. In addition

there will be onsite nail trims (\$5)

and low cost microchipping. There

will also be agility and obedience

"We'll have a Chinese auction

demonstrations, and caricature

where you buy tickets to put in

the bucket for items such as free

dogs washes and microchipping,"

said Wakefield who promises lots

and lots of fun for everyone at the

"Plus," Wayne County Parks, and

There will be contests for the

best trick, smallest, cutest, tallest

and ugliest dog, best kisses, best

costume, longest ears, most ordi-

nary, and most drool. Entrance fee

is \$1. Pets can paint a picture, bob

Owners can register for park mem-

bership or just experience the Dog

"I'm doing nail trims. It's good

advertising for all of the small busi-

nesses," said Wakefield, who owns

Kelly's KLIPS Pet Grooming inside

wash/doggie daycare on Five Mile,

between Middlebelt and Inkster,

Livonia. The two businesses are

Dog House Bakery.

mom@gmail.com.

among the vendors which include

Call Wakefield at (248) 982-

9293, Wayne County Parks at (734)

261-1990, or send e-mail to leroys-

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for bones, or play Musical Mats.

Park for the day.

D.O.G. (Dog Owners Group).

event co-sponsored by Pet Supplies

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to raffles."

drawings.

"We really had a great time last

tion clinic coming," said Kelly

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6 and 7. On Oct. 6 the reunion will be

includes buffet dinner, beer, soft

and Evelyn (Alverson) D'Arca. For

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Aug. 27.

Gerald and Phyllis Adler of Grass Lake announce the engagement of their daughter, Jill Adler, to Jeremy Rood, son of Robert and Donelda Rood of Wynn, Mich.

ENGAGEMENTS

Jill is a 1999 graduate of Livonia Churchill Hill School where she was involved in the CAPA program. She received a bachelor's degree in broadcast and cinematic arts from Central Michigan University in 2004. Jill currently lives in Toledo where she works as a television news producer.

Jeremy is a 1998 graduate of Vestaburg High School. He received a bachelor's degree with a concentration in mechanical design and engineering graphics from Central Michigan University in 2004. Jeremy also lives in Toledo



where he works as an automotive designer.

The wedding is Sept. 22, 2007 at the Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center in East Lansing.

Elsner-Nahavandi

Robert and Marcia Elsner of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth Marie Marzone Elsner, to Kurosh Nahavandi, son of Amir Nahavandi of Marbella, Spain, and Amy and Paul Van Laak of Long Lake, New York, currently living in Hong Kong.

The bride-to-be is a 1999 graduate of the Plymouth Canton High School. She received a bachelor of chemical engineering degree in 2004 and a master's degree in biomedical engineering in 2005 from the University of Michigan. She was a member of the UM women's softball team and a Big Ten scholarathlete. She is employed at Whirlpool Corp. and resides in



Portage.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Shenendehowa High School in Clifton Park, New York. He has a bachelor of mechanical engineering degree and a master of material science degree from Hong Kong University of Science and Technology.

He is employed by Stryker Corp. and resides in Portage. A fall 2008 wedding is planned.

WEDDING

Clark-Wacker

Patricia Clark of Saginaw and Corey Wacker of Canton were married Aug. 31, 2007, at Fox Hills Golf Course.

The bride is the daughter of Mike and Nong Clark of Saginaw.

The groom is the son of Dave and Audie Wacker of Canton. Attending the bride were Corry Gibbs, matron of honor, and bridesmaids, Lindsey Rocchio, Michelle Clark and Rebecca Rashin. Hillary Clark was the junior bridesmaid. Isabella Layne was the flower

Attending the groom were Joe Hawthorne, best man, and groomsmen Brandon Wacker,



The couple will make their home in Northville.

ANNIVERSARY

MacLeods celebrate 25th On Aug. 18th The Rev.

Kenneth MacLeod and Marina MacLeod celebrated their 25th anniversary.

After getting married in Scotland the couple moved to Livonia in 1996 with their two children Innes and Anna.

MacLeod became the pastor for the Presbyterian Free Church of Livonia in 1996. They enjoy spending time



with their family and friends. Kenneth is an avid golfer and Marina enjoys scrap booking in her spare time.

Livonia Civic Ballet to hold auditions

The Livonia Civic Ballet Company will be holding auditions for the 2007-2008 season which includes the holiday favorite The Nutcracker.

The auditions take place Sunday, Sept. 9, at the new location of Miss Jean's Dance Arts, 19215 Merriman and Seven Mile, in Livonia. For more information, call (248) 474-

Proper ballet attire is manda-

Auditions start at 1 p.m. for ages 6-8 with a minimum of 2-years of ballet studies; 2:30 p.m. for ages 9-11 with a minimum 3-years of ballet (bring pointe shoes), and 4 p.m. for ages 12 and up with a minimum of 4-years ballet, 2 years of pointe. The nonprofit Livonia Civic Ballet is more than 30years old. It is the official ballet of the city of Livonia.

tory. There is a \$10 audition fee.

Actors sought for 'Joseph' production

Aspiring young actors, and adults as well, are invited to audition on Sunday, Sept. 9, for the upcoming production of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" by the Farmington Hills Youth Theatre. This enduringly colorful, popular story of Joseph of Canaan has charmed audiences worldwide.

Auditions are open to residents and non-residents of the Farmington area; there is no fee to audition. Actors should bring a recent photo to the audition, or pay \$2 for a photo to be taken that night. Auditions and performances take place at the Costick Center located on Eleven Mile Road, just east of Middlebelt in Farmington

Hills. The audition schedule is as follows on Sept. 9 - Adults age 19 and up from 10 a.m. to noon; grades 1-2, 12:30-1:30 p.m.; grades 5-6, 3-4 p.m.; grades 3-4, 1:30-2:30 p.m., and grades 7-12, 4-5

Actors cast in the play will be required to pay a class fee of \$135 (residents) or \$140 (non-residents) and attend a parent/actor meeting 7-9 p.m. Monday, Sept. 17. Rehearsal schedules will be available at that meeting. Leading roles require more rehearsals than supporting cast members. Performances of Joseph will be held Thursday-Sunday, Nov. 15-18. Call the Farmington Hills Cultural Arts Division at (248) 473-1870.

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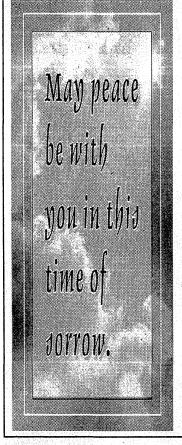
Age 94 died Monday, August 20, 2007 in Hartland, MI. Born in Latty, OH, she was a homemaker and a for mer member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Ft. Wayne, IN. Survivors include her son, Larry (Diane) Detter of Hartland Township, MI; Granddaughter, Debra (Andrew) Roberts of Gaylord, MI; Grandson, Eric (Jamanna) Detter of Waterford, MI; Great-grandchildren, McKenna, Katherine and Brady. She was preceded in death by her husband, Miles, in 1982. Burial services were performed in Ft. Wayne, IN August 25, 2007. A brief memorial service and luncheon will be held in her honor at G. Subu's Leather Bottle Restaurant. 20300 Farmington Road, Livonia, MI. 48152, Wednesday, September 5 beginning at 11AM (248) 474-2420.



CATHERINE DOBBS (Sewick)

Age 93, of Fenton, died Tuesday, August 28, 2007 at Crestmont Healthcare Facility. Funeral services were held Saturday, September 1, 2007 at Sharp Funeral Homes, Fenton Chapel, 1000 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Interment in Parkview Memorial Cemetery, Livonia. Visitation was held Friday at the funeral home. Mrs. Dobbs was born May 7, 1914 in Hastings on the Hudson, New York the daughter of Stephan and Anna (Kuzminska) Sewick. She attended Cass Technical High School in Detroit, and married William J. Dobbs September 12, 1937. She was employed at People Community Hospital as Executive Director's Secretary and was a member of the People Community Hospital Secretary Association. She is survived by her two sons, Joseph and wife Janice Dobbs of Fenton, Daniel and wife Donna Dobbs of West Bloomfield; 11 grandchildren, Billy, Cathy, Donnie, Casey, Daniel, Trisha, Mickie, Ricky, Mary, Jennifer, Jason; 15 great-grandchildren and one on the way; daughter-in-law Pat Dobbs of Florida. She was preceded in death by her husband, William; daughter, Dianne Catherine Duffy; son, William; and her parents. Tributes and condolences may be shared on the obituaries page of

www.sharpfuneral home.com



JUDGE JOHN FRANCIS FOLEY Of Schoolcraft Died August 29, 2007 at his

home. John was born February 10, 1928 in Detroit, the son of Henry and Rosemary (O'Neill) Foley. Learn more about John, view his Life Story film, and visit with his family and friends on Sunday from 4:00 - 8:00 friends on Sunday from 4:00 - 8:00 PM at the LIFE STORY FUNERAL HOME, Betzler-Kalamazoo (800) 822-7594 where a prayer service will be held at 7:00 PM that evening. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Labor Day, Monday, 10:30 AM at St. Joseph Catholic Church. Burial will take place in Harrison Cemetery, Schoolcraft followed by a luncheon at the family home. John graduated from Baldwin High School in 1945 and Georgetown University School of Foreign Service in 1948. His pursuits included writing news for KROS in Clinton, IA in 1950. He was a LT JG in the US Navy from 1951-1955 and returned to the University of Michigan to obtain his Juris Doctorate degree. In 1957 John Foley was united in marriage with Joan (Marlow) Foley, who survives. From 1957-1959 he practiced law at Wilson, Ingraham & Kavanagh in Birmingham, then for three years at the National Labor Relations Board. In 1961 he practiced at Swartz, O'Hare & Foley of Detroit. From 1965-1968 he was the Commissioner of the Court of Appeals, and in 1969 he became the Attorney for the Legal Aid and Defenders Office in Detroit. From 1969-1985 he was partner in Gergley & Foley in Schoolcraft. In 1985, John was appointed to the Ninth Circuit Court by Governor Blanchard, and was subsequently re-elected until his retirement in 1999. Surviving along with his wife of 50 years are six children: Şean (Eva) Foley, Patrick Foley, Rosemary Foley Sher, Joan Foley (Earle Weiss), Meg (Kevin) McCabe, and Ella (Cormac) Gannon; thirteen grandchildren: Maeve and Sinead Foley, Katy and Gilian Foley, Emma Sher, Ian, Annika and Andrew Weiss, Liam, Kerrigan and Ronan McCabe, and Brigid and Teresa Gannon. Please visit Judge Foley's personal web page at where you can archive a



favorite memory of photo, sign his

online guest book before coming to

the funeral home, or make memorial

ROBERT E. KIRSAMMER

Of Bloomfield Hills, Age 70, died August 29, 2007, at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. Mr. Kirsammer was born January 21, 1937, in Detroit. He retired from Burroughs/Unisys Corporation in 1997, after 35 years of service and was a member of The Village Players, Birmingham Senior Men's Club and Gentlemen Songsters. Mr. Kirsammer is survived by his brother Richard (Jill) Kirsammer and niece Stephanie and nephew David Kirsammer. Funeral at St. Thomas More Church, 4580 Adams Road, Troy, Saturday (9/1) 10am. Friends may visit at church beginning at 9:30am. Visitation at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 1368 N. Crooks Road (Between 14-15 Mile Rds.) Friday (8/31) 2-9pm. Prayers Friday (8/31) 7pm. Interment in Resurrection Cemetery, Clinton Twp. Memorials appreciated to U of D Jesuit High School, 8400 S. Cambridge Avenue, Detroit, Michigan 48221.

RANDY MEZGEC

Age 52. August 27, 2007. Dear brother of Gary (Linda). He was preceded in death by his parents, Henry and Gloria and brother Craig. Gloria and brother Craig.
Arrangements by the R.G. & G.R.
Harris Funeral Home, 31551 Ford
Rd., Garden City, 734-425-9200.



EUGENE MORRISON

August 25, 2007. Beloved husband of Joan. Brother of Marjorie Harness. Uncle of Barbara (Bill) Cary, Errol Lewis, Patricia (Kevin) Morrison-Purifoy, Steven (Lisa) Nunley, Deborah (Kirk) Pryor, Linda (Benny) Mercer and John (Jana) Waltman Services were Wednesday at Faith Baptist Church, Dearborn Heights. Memorials suggested to Garden City Hospital Foundation or Faith Baptist Church Children's Fund.

Arrangements by Santeiu and Son Funeral Home

ROBERT EDWARD SCHWAB

Former Michigan resident, passed away peacefully at his Florida home on August 27, 2007. He is survived by his second wife, Betty (Hansen), sister Ruth Strickland, son and daughterin-law Richard and Sheri Schwab, daughter Donna Schwab, grandson Arian Gibson, and three granddaughters, Hanna Coate, Amanda Sarra and Chelsea Schwab. Bob was born in Lansing, Michigan on November 25. 1913 and was raised in Findlay, Ohio. He graduated from Miami University, Oxford, Ohio in 1935 (Phi Beta Kappa). He served in World War II as a Lieutenant in the U.S. Navy Reserve from 1942-1946. Bob was employed by The Detroit Edison Company, retiring in 1978 as Vice President (Employee Relations). He was an active member of several professional organizations in Michigan, serving as Chairman of the Board of the Michigan Heart Association from 1971-1974. Bob was a member of the Congregational Birmingham where he played a key role in landscaping and maintenance of a memorial garden; his ashes will join those of his first wife, Ruth (Parsons), in that garden this fall.

BARBARA SIPE

Age 58, died Aug 28, 2007 of Westland. Burial Glenwood Cemetery, Wayne. Uht Funeral Home, Westland.



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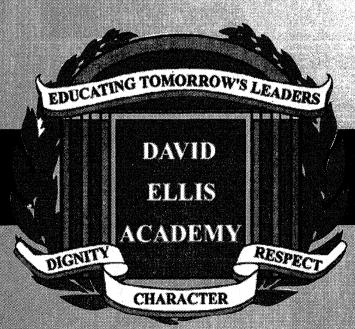




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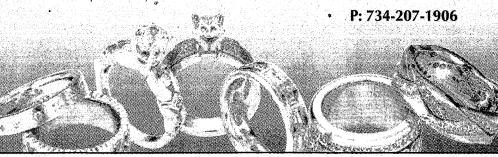
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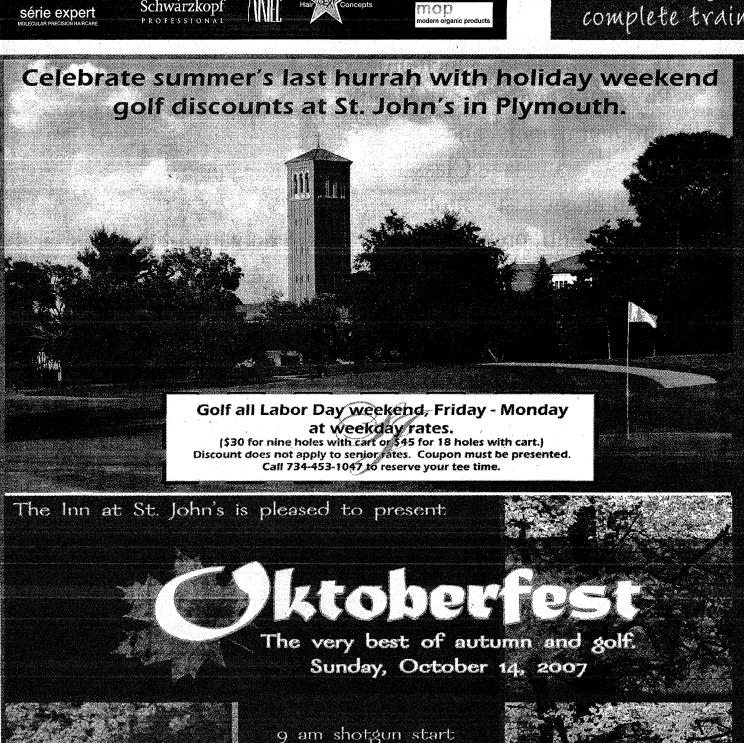




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Time critical to save knocked-out teeth

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

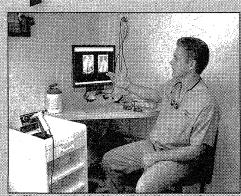
Jayce Bennert was playing catch in the yard with his sister when the hard ball knocked out the 9-year-old boy's front tooth. Quick thinking by his father helped save one of Jayce's permanent teeth. After Jayce ran into the house screaming Gregory ran out to find the tooth then immediately called the family dentist who told him to put the tooth in milk to prevent the cells on the root from dying.

Having a game plan when a tooth is knocked out can mean the difference between a healthy tooth or a lifetime of dental problems, according to Dr. Thomas Vokal of Endodontic Associates in Rochester, A replanted tooth can last for years. Technology in the field of dentistry and endodontics has advanced to include not only equipment, but techniques to save natural teeth. Endodontists receive specialized training after dental school to use digital imaging. microscopes and miniaturized dental instruments to diagnose and treat problems dealing with the inside of the tooth.

"Time is critical in keeping that tooth alive," said Dr. Thomas Vokal, an endodontist or root canal specialist. "Time management in the first hour or half-hour is very important to maintaining the health or vitality of cells of the tooth. Handle the crown. The root should not be handled to keep the cells on the root alive. If replanted within first 15 minutes those cells will stay alive. If the outside of the tooth dies, the body may reject it. That's why it's important in the middle of soccer or football to put the tooth into a transport solution. One that's common in First Aid kits is Save a Tooth, a solution to keep the outside surface of the tooth alive until you can see a dentist. Milk can work too. If not milk, your own saliva. Gently rinse off the tooth and put in a solution or milk then see a dentist or endodontist immediately. A rootcanal will be needed because the inside will

Vokal suggests everyone who plays sports should wear a mouth guard.

"They need protection with a mouth guard,



Dr. Thomas Vokal looks at digital images of a tooth before and after a root canal.

anyone in any kind of contact sports, see a dentist for a fitted mouth guard," said Vokal. "Prevention is key for preventing trauma.

'We've seen several from baseball over the summer. They take a baseball directly to face. The initial injury they also have a lot of soft tissue and facial injury. Parents are very concerned about the pain and discomfort, and losing a tooth at that age they're looking at implants and bridges, but they can't get those done until they're finished growing around 18- to 21-years old. There's lifelong dental treatment if a tooth is lost."

Vokal says he sees more children under age 16 losing teeth to accidents around the home than playing sports. While Vokal makes sure his 8-year-old son Jonathan wears a mouth guard while playing hockey, he has less control

"Unfortunately at home playing boys will be boys. You can't prevent all accidents. That's why you need to know the proper steps to take," said Vokal. "When Jayce's accident happened another dentist reimplanted the tooth. We saw him a week later. That's usually when the root canal is done. The problem at that age is the root has not completely developed.

New materials allow an endodontist to fill the tooth and stimulate healing at end of root. Gregory Bennert says he's amazed with the results. The drive from their home in Lakeport near Port Huron to Rochester was worth saving his son's tooth.

"Jayce's accident happened in May. You can't tell. It's rock solid," said Gregory Bennert. "We went last Tuesday to Dr. Vokal for a checkup and everything's taking. The body naturally reattaches itself to the tooth."

Omega 3 fights many diseases

Mike from West Bloomfield e-mails asking about the health benefits of fish.

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Ryan from Wixom e-mails asking me to clear up all the numbers on cholesterol. Just how low should his bad cholesterol be?

Ryan, that is a great question! Keeping your cholesterol in check is critical to staying healthy and avoiding heart disease. Two new studies followed almost 2,000 patients with heart disease whose LDL levels, the bad cholesterol,

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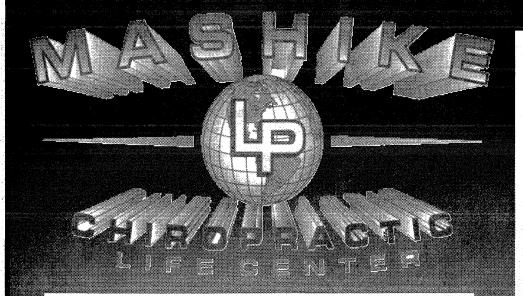
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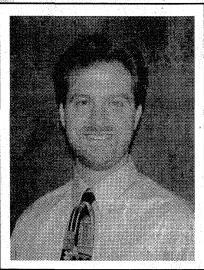
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Village Painters celebrate 20th anniversary

The Village Painters, a local chapter of the Society of Decorative Painters, recently celebrated their 20th anniversary with a birthday party picnic. The chapter, which currently has 97 members and meets at the Livonia Senior Center, was created to stimulate interest in and promote the art of decorative painting.

The Village Painters are a vibrant group of painters who attend seminars and painting retreats then share the knowledge with each other. As a group they are very active in the community providing hand-painted Memory Boxes to hospitals, and sponsoring a Learn to Paint Day for the community in December.

When asked they often paint rooms in children's clinics and also adopt families at Christmas. One very special project is to sponsor The Treasure Chest Art & Craft Show on Sunday, Sept. 9, at Greenmead Historical Park in Livonia where members sell their painted treasures to the public. They will be sharing

their knowledge of painting with the public in the Learn to Paint Booth during the craft

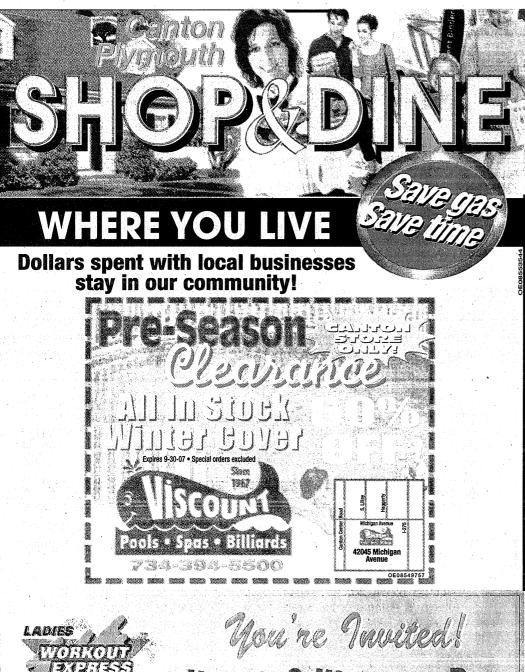
Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for the 11th annual show which will be housed in Judge Alexander Blue's House at Greenmead on Newburgh, north of Eight Mile. Handpainted items include furniture, Christmas and Halloween decor, welcome signs, sleds, glassware, jewelry, baskets, and clothing. The show takes place during Greenmead's Flea Market. Admission is \$2 per person. The flea market offers collectibles and vintage items at bargain prices.

For more information about Village Painters, visit www.villagepainters.net, or call Sally Thirjung at (734) 983-0009. For details about

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Members of the Village Painters celebrate their 20th anniversary. The organization meets at the Livonia Senior Center. Pictured are Gale Copple of Trenton (left); Doreen McLain, New Boston; Maureen VanBuhler, Canton; Peggy Mack; Sally Thirjung, Canton, and Maryann Snodgrass, Garden City.





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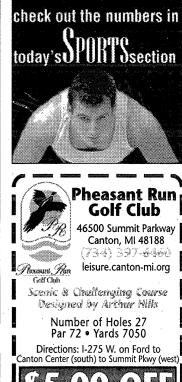
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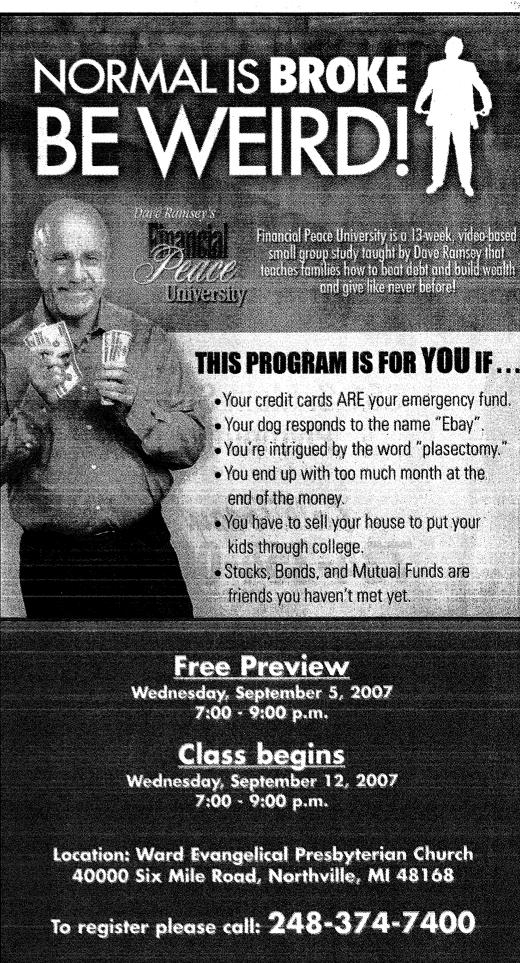
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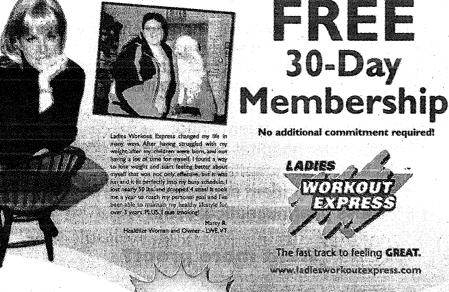
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