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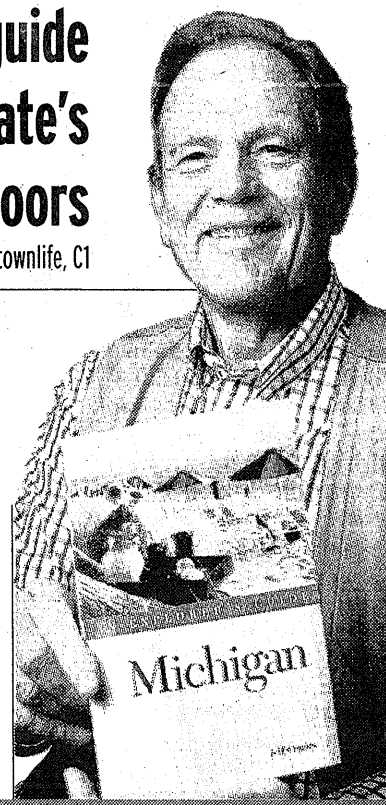
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Arrests made in weekend beating case

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Macomb County sheriff's officials believe they're closer to arrests in the weekend beating that left a 30-year-old Plymouth man hospitalized with severe head injuries.

Four teenagers were in custody Friday in connection with a random mob attack on a man near a Mount Clemens gas station. Three were arraigned in 41-B District Friday afternoon; the fourth was expected to be charged over the weekend.

Jemall Davidson, 16, and Johnny Allor, 17, both face life in prison on charges of assault with intent to murder. They also face a 10-year felony charge of engaging in a riot. Steven Lincoln, 18, could spend 10 years behind bars on charges of engaging in a riot and simple assault.

All three live in Clinton Township and will be charged as adults.

While the charges don't include the beating of Plymouth Township resident Andy Kauffman, detectives believe the assaults are related.

The arrests came after Macomb County Sheriff Mark Hackel posted a surveillance tape from the Mount Clemens gas station on the department's Web site.

Kauffman continues to recover from severe head injuries he suffered in the attack, which occurred around midnight Saturday. Someone from the mob threw a brick through the window of the car being driven by Kauffman's wife. When Kauffman got out to investigate, about a dozen of the crowd beat him, witnesses told police.

Kauffman is still in Macomb Regional Medical Center, making what his family is saying is progress "slower than what doctors had hoped."

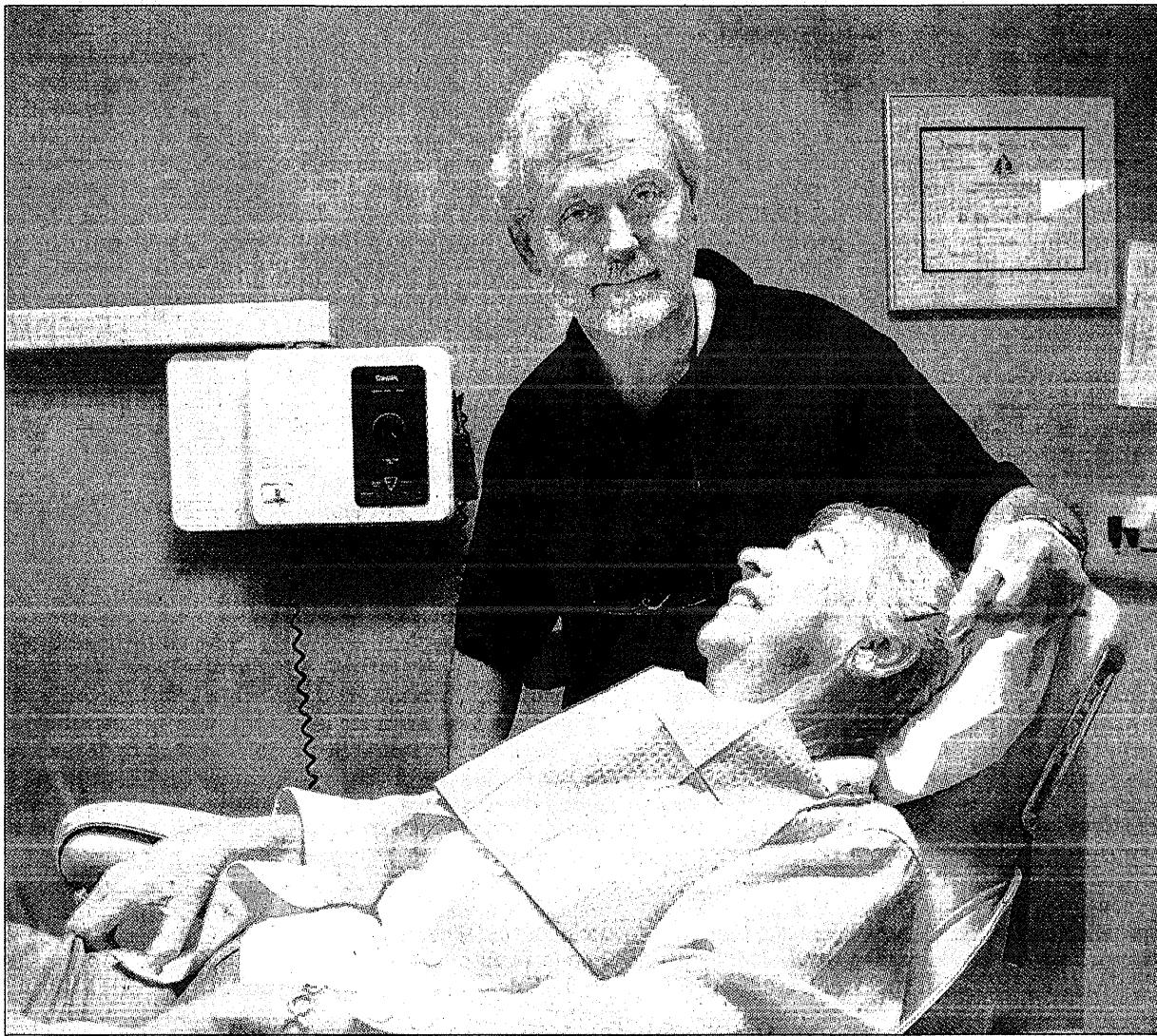
"He's alive, and we're grateful for that," said Paula Webber, Kauffman's mother-in-law. "They're still doing tests ... everyone's praying."

Webber said her daughter, Angela, has maintained a vigil with Kauffman since the vigil. Everyone's spirits were raised when the Kauffmans' three children got their first visit with dad.

The family has also been pleasantly surprised and gratified to see the level of support they're getting, even from strangers.

"(Angela) has had an amazing number of people contact her," Webber said. "Family and friends have been contacted by prayer groups from all over the country that have been praying for him. She's gotten great support."

Webber has set up a fund to try to help Kauffman, a self-employed carpenter, defray expenses. The fund has been set up at TCF Bank, she said. Anyone wishing to help simply has to contact a branch (the Kauffmans use the Canton branch at Canton Center and Ford Road) and indicate the money is for the Kauffman family.



Dr. Tom Morse has worked with patients in his Plymouth office for nearly 40 years. Patient Dneyse Ebersole has been with him from the beginning of his practice.

BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Long in the teeth Plymouth dentist drills the 40-year mark

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Ironically, when he was a kid, Tom Morse didn't get to the dentist much and, by the time he went regularly, he needed a lot of work done.

Consequently, he spent a lot of time in the dentist's chair. During all that observation, the one thing that kept running through his mind was, "Hey, I could do this."

Turns out he was right. And, 40 years after graduating from the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, Morse is still doing it.

Morse, 65, got his start in the practice of longtime Plymouth dentist Bob Evans. An instructor at the dental school knew Evans was looking for an associate and recommended Morse.

THE MORSE CODE

- Who: Dr. Tom Morse
- What: Dentist for 40 years, the last 38 on Main Street in Plymouth
- Where: 358 N. Main, (734) 453-3160
- Highlights: Sponsors annual Father's Day Run; marched in Fred Hill Briefcase Drill team; sponsors high school baseball, hockey teams

He's been in Plymouth ever since, including the last 38 years in the same Main Street building.

"I don't think you think you're ever going to stay in the same spot," said Morse, who grew up in the inner-city area of Toledo. "But Plymouth has turned out to be a good community for us. We've had

40 good years here."

He didn't know this is what he'd be doing when he was attending Findlay College in Ohio, where he played basketball before it dawned on him he should probably have a career.

Morse went into pre-med, then got into the U-M dental school. When he graduated, the opportunity with Evans came up, and Morse took it. Growing restless after less than two years, Morse decided to strike out on his own.

He smiles widely now, thinking about the enormity of that decision.

"You're young, and you don't know any better," Morse said, laughing. "It's funny how you look back at things."

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Taste of success

Customers pouring into
Plymouth's first winery

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Plymouth's first winery has been open for more than a week, and Cellar 849 owner John Corsi has thus far been pleased with the results.

Corsi said he's had "a lot of people" in to taste wines, as well as purchase wine by the bottle to sit and drink it by the glass.

"We're different than anything in Michigan," said Corsi. "We're a custom winery where we produce wine from all over the world, but we're also a tasting room."

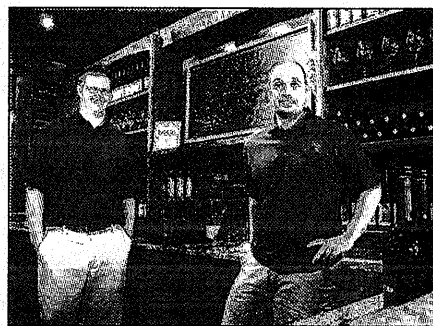
"We get grape juices from 100 different vineyards in 122 different countries," he said. "We have 40 different wines which are produced on site. We fill it by the bottle, glass or batch."

Corsi said the winery has full wine tasting and has private-label bottling. "We ensure they'll have a high quality of wine to give out at weddings, corporate outings or for private tasting events we can host at the winery," said Corsi. "We're also finding couples are coming in after dinner for wine tasting and staying for a couple of glasses of wine."

Cellar 849 is open Tuesday through Thursday from noon-8 p.m., staying open until 10 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

Information on Cellar 849 can be found on the Web at www.cellar849.com.

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Jeff Stesiak and John Corsi have opened Cellar 849 on Penniman in downtown Plymouth.

Canton High School team has top public service video

Marci Brontman of Buddy's Pizza presents Canton High School students, (from left) Alex Magee, teacher Janet Sutherland, Eric Piwawar, Lucas Seibel, Mark Edwards and Adam Somers with a scholarship check after their public service announcement was picked as the winner for the PSA contest sponsored by Buddy's Pizza and The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.



TOM HOFFMEYER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Beer cans aren't your friends.

That's the winning message of the student team from Canton High School - the top winner in the Buddy's Pizza/Observer & Eccentric/Mirror Newspapers public service video contest.

Buddy's representative Marcy Brontman presented the Canton team with its \$1,000 prize June 3. Janet Sutherland, video production teacher at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park, said the money will be used to buy new equipment for the class. The Canton students and Sutherland

were also treated to a pizza dinner courtesy of Buddy's.

The 30-second PSA was written, filmed and edited by Adam Somers, Alex Magee, Eric Piwawar, Mark Edwards and Lucas Seibel. All five will graduate today from Canton High School.

Other schools competing for the \$1,000 prize included Plymouth, Livonia Franklin, Berkley, Livonia Ladywood, Northville, Troy Athens and Farmington Harrison.

To view the PSAs go to www.buddypizza.com.

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Coming Thursday in filter



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Lincoln roundtable

The Abraham Lincoln Civil War Round Table hosts A. Wilson Greene at its next meeting 8 p.m. Thursday, June 19, at Plymouth Township Hall.

Greene is executive director of Pamplin Historical Park and National Museum of the Civil War Soldier in Petersburg, Va. He is the former president of the Civil War Preservation Trust, faculty member at Mary Washington College and historian and manager at the National Park Service. Greene has written several Civil War books and numerous articles, and lectures extensively and makes TV appearances on the Civil War Journal. His topic will be "Civilians at Petersburg."

Plymouth Township Hall is located at 9955 N. Haggerty at 8 p.m. The public is welcome, admission is free. For more information, call (734) 451-7998.

DAR meets

Daughters of the American Revolution Sarah Ann Cochrane Chapter (Livonia-Northville-Plymouth-Canton-Redford-South Lyon-Novi) meet noon Monday, June 9, at Greenmead-Alexander Blue House in Livonia.

The program will be on the annual pot-luck picnic and auction.

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

Barefoot auditions

Auditions for Barefoot Productions' next production, "A Midsummer Night's Dream," take place June 9-10 from 6-9 p.m. at the vacant Walker/Buzenberg Furniture Stores, located at 240 N. Main in Plymouth.

Seasoned actors or those brand new to the craft are welcome. The production will also need back-stage volunteers, either new to theater or "old pros."

This is all-volunteer community theater, and organizers are encouraged anyone interested to give it a try.

Ice cream social

Northville Cooperative Preschool welcomes the community to its new location at the Revival Outreach Center,

16115 Beck, with an Ice Cream Social 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, June 17, in The Bistro, Building D.

The school is now enrolling for the 2008-09 school year and has openings for 2s, 3s and 4s programs.

For more information, call (734) 254-9129.

Child Seat clinic

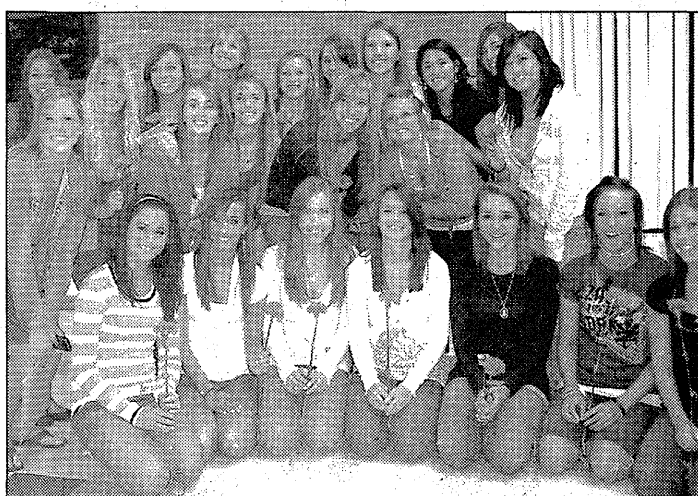
The Plymouth Township Police Department hosts a free Child Safety Seat clinic Saturday, June 14, beginning at 10 a.m.

This event will be held at the Plymouth Township Police Department, located at 9955 N. Haggerty. The inspections will be by "appointment only" and limited space is available. If you would like to have your child's seat inspected by a national certified Child Passenger Safety Technician, make an appointment by calling Officer Jamie Senkbeil at (734)354-3232.

Weight loss challenge

In the effort to raise awareness of the obesity epidemic sweeping Michigan, Canton Center Chiropractic Clinic of Canton and Anytime Fitness of Plymouth are each hosting Weight Loss Challenges that will begin June 10 at the Canton Center Chiropractic Clinic and June 12 at Anytime Fitness. The challenges will provide 12 weeks of informational meetings, group support and one on one coaching. Opportunity for free spinal evaluations and advice from a fitness trainer will be offered at both locations. Some of the topics that will be covered include protein and its role, metabolism, digestion, stress and dining out.

The cost to join the 12 week challenge is \$39, of which \$10 will be donated to FIT KIDS, a non-profit organization that funds agencies working to eliminate childhood obesity. The rest of the money will be paid back to the participants in cash and prizes with 50 percent going to the greatest percentage loser, 30 percent to the second place loser and 20 per cent to the third place loser. In addition, anybody who participates from June 2008 through December 2008 is eligible to win a Hawaiian vacation for two by becoming



Varsity squad

The Canton High School Chieftettes held auditions recently for the 2008-09 pompon team. The varsity team includes (back, from left) Sarah Lindlbauer, Brooke Granowicz, Melissa Krug, Sarah Mable, Ashley Polydoros, Megan Young, Courtney Simpson, Alex Brekke, Eva Debeliso; (middle) Jordan White, Lexie MacDiarmid, Tori Parrelly, Emily Nairn, Michelle Smiley, Emily Bouse; and (front) Kristina Crilley, Courtney Fravala, Katie Schwalm, Lauren Hutchings, Britney Kopchia, Sarah Graves, Ashley Delbrocco.

the biggest percentage loser throughout the U.S.

The challenges are part of a national educational outreach program sponsored by FSS, an organization of Herbalife independent distributors, and are being held throughout the United States. Strict rules will apply for the challenge and the vacation. To register or for more information, please call (888) 233-0398. Space will be limited at both challenges.

Band reunion barbecue

The Plymouth-Canton Marching Band and Music Boosters are hosting the "PCMB All Decades Alumni Reunion Picnic & BBQ" for current student members and parents, alumni, staff, former boosters, etc., Saturday, June 21, at Canton's Summit on the Park Amphitheatre in Heritage Park.

Any student or parent who has participated in the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park music programs or marched with the award-winning Plymouth-Canton Marching Band, is invited to attend the weekend event. Registration is required.

The picnic and barbecue is scheduled noon to 9 p.m. Saturday, June 21. A golf outing is also being planned for Sunday, June 22.

Registration for the picnic is required. For more informa-

tion and to register, visit www.pcmb.net and click on the alumni picnic link.

For more information, call Chris Hensel, Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters Alumni Rep, (313) 268-2098 or e-mail alumni BBQ coordinators Lee Bonner at bonner_lee@yahoo.com or Bryan Thomas at bryan.thomas91@yahoo.com

Fall festival

The Plymouth Fall Festival is accepting applications for its Craft Show that takes place during the Fall Festival, scheduled for Sept. 5-7. Ten-by-ten foot spots will be \$75 per day or \$200 for the three-day weekend.

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

Businesses interested in participating in the Plymouth Fall Festival Sept. 5-7 may sponsor the entertainment venues, or have a booth downtown during the festival. Sponsorships can include ads in the Fall Festival Guide, banners on the stage, and many other great ways to get exposure for your business.

Visit www.plymouthfallfestival.com for application forms or call Colleen Brown at (734) 455-1614.

Township candidates face off at forum

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

There are 13 candidates for seven seats on the Plymouth Township Board this fall, and voters will get their first chance to see most of them on the same stage later this month.

The League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County sponsors a candidates' forum June 25 at Plymouth Township Hall. Candidates for supervisor, clerk and the four trustee seats will take part in separate forums between 7-9 p.m. Incumbent Treasurer Ron Edwards is running unopposed.

All candidates have been invited. Supervisor candidates will square off 7-7:40 p.m., with candidates for clerk from 7:45-8:15 and the trustee candidates from 8:20-9 p.m.

The crowded race for supervisor includes incumbent Richard Reaume, current Clerk Marilyn Massengill, current Plymouth-Canton Board

of Education Trustee Dianne Gonzalez, former township trustee K.C. Mueller and the lone Democrat, Mike Watts.

Two candidates are running for clerk: current deputy Clerk Joe Bridgman and political newcomer Mary Ann Prchlik.

Five candidates are running for the four trustee seats, including incumbents Steven Mann, himself a former supervisor, Kay Arnold and Robert Doroshewicz. They're joined on the ballot by former township police chief Carl Berry and Michael Kelly.

The forum will be taped for air on local cable access television. The public is invited. Candidates will be allowed a one-minute opening statement, a one-minute response to questions and a two-minute summation.

A moderator from the League of Women Voters will read the questions, which can be written and submitted by the audience.

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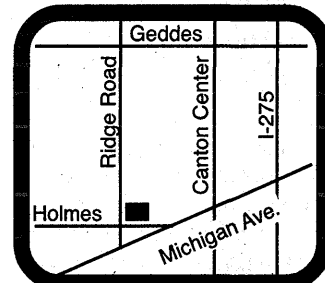
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Local fans fly high after Detroit wins Stanley Cup

BY JULIE BROWN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Laurie Golden acknowledges people think it's a little crazy her family has a replica Stanley Cup, complete with red spotlight, stationed in the front yard of her Plymouth home.

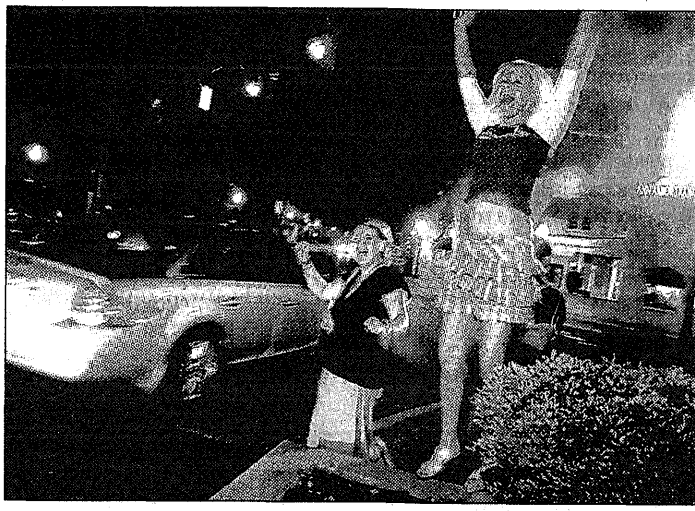
The way people were celebrating after the Red Wings won the decisive sixth game of the Stanley Cup finals, 3-2, over the Pittsburgh Penguins Wednesday, maybe people won't think it's that crazy after all.

"We watch all the games all the time," said Golden, who said they're "fairly famous" for the hockey display. "People think we're nuts."

While fans crowded around televisions in homes, restaurants and bars around the area, it was a quiet night at the Canton Public Library, where Golden is marketing and communications manager, with most patrons off watching the Red Wings clinch the Stanley Cup.

"Not nearly as many people in the library and phones were quiet," Golden said.

Denise Semion of Plymouth Township and husband Bill



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The corner of Ann Arbor Trail and Main in Plymouth was a popular celebration site after the Detroit Red Wings won the Stanley Cup Wednesday.

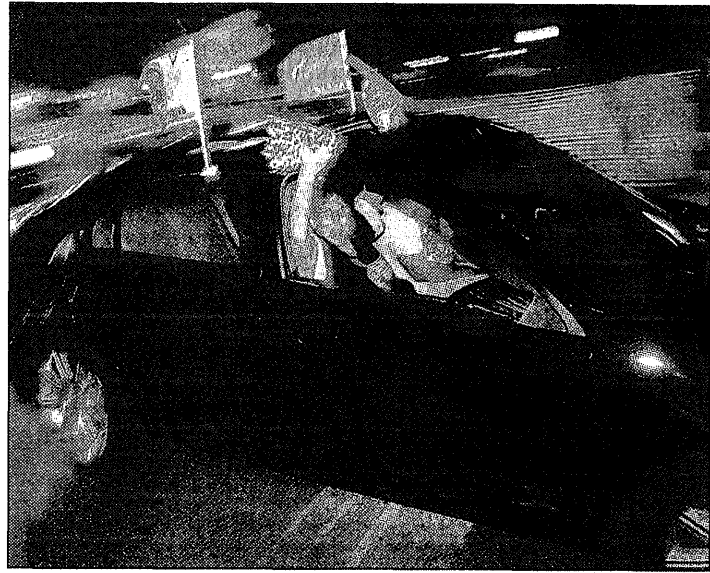
also cheered on the Wings, who won their first Stanley Cup since 2002.

"Boy, that was close," Denise Semion said. A colleague of hers at the Huron-Clinton Metroparks didn't wear his "lucky" Red Wings tie to work Wednesday, worried he had jinxed the team in the Monday night heartbreaker of a loss at Joe Louis Arena in Detroit.

Kate Rosevear, owner of Carlson Wagonlit Travel in Plymouth, said she "just watched the very tag end" of

Wednesday's game. "It was fantastic," Rosevear said. "I watched as much of it as my heart could stand. I'm proud of them, although it sure was a cliff-hanger. Great game."

Plymouth Township resident Rosevear had a meeting Wednesday but saw the end when she got home. "Anything that's positive about Detroit is wonderful," she said, noting the Wings are the hardest-working, lowest-paid athletes, "and they get the job done."



In Plymouth, Wings fans cruise Main Street near Kellogg Park after watching their favorite hockey team win its first Stanley Cup since 2002.

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As Morse did while working with Evans, others have learned while working with Morse. Former associate Tom Razmus, for instance, is now the dean of the dental school at West Virginia University, while former associate Steve Stefanac is the assistant dean at Morse's alma mater, the U-M dental school.

Morse shrugs off the idea he mentored them, and has no desire to follow in their footsteps.

"We've had some good people here," Morse said. "They were academically inclined, that was their niche. It wasn't for me. I'm more hands-on."

That fits in with his per-



Morse

house for a lot of years," she said with a laugh — and agrees his personality makes him good at what he does.

"He's personable," Ebersole said. "He's been good with me, good with my kids. My family still comes to him. He's a good man."

Sharon Mooney has worked for Morse for 33 years and said the doctor has never met a person he couldn't talk to.

"He just likes people," Mooney said. "I don't care

where he is, he goes up and talks to people. He's just really personable."

In addition to his full roster of patients, Morse is incredibly active around town. He sponsors the Father's Day Run every year, has walked with the Fred Hill Briefcase Drill Team in the Fourth of July parade, and sponsors baseball and hockey teams at the high school level.

"I think volunteering is a big part of what you should do in your community," Morse said. "A lot of people don't get involved. I just think it's a neat thing to do."

"The community has been great to me, and it's important to me to give back," Morse added. "A lot of people do more, but I like doing what I can do."

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Quartet honored with published work

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Four teachers have been honored by the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education for becoming published authors.

Along with Salem High School history teacher Darrin Silvester, Hoben kindergarten teacher Maria Dismody, Bentley first grade instructor Cheryl Zuzo and East Middle School social studies and English teacher David Schmittou have also become published authors.

"Spaghetti in a Hot Dog Bun", written by Dismody, is a timeless message about having the courage of being exactly who you are, while treating others as you would like to be

treated.

"It's an idea that started 25 years ago," said Dismody. "You can still have the courage to be who you are ... and celebrate that uniqueness. With all the bullying that's going on — it's not starting in high school, but it's starting young — I'm inspired and hopeful to get this message out there and make a difference."

"Being Bella, Discovering How to Be Proud of Your Best", written by Zuzo, tells kids the key to reaching goals is not being perfect, but doing your best to believing in yourself.

"We didn't have resources when my daughter had issues like these and I knew it was needed," said Zuzo, who said she's had the book in her head

for 15 years before taking it to a publisher last year. "Kids get frustrated, and it's not just outside pressures but from themselves as they see what other kids are achieving."

"The book tells them to accept what they're capable of doing, keep practicing and they will be loved no matter what," she said. "They're strategies they can use their whole lives."

Schmittou's book "Omniscient" was inspired by the author's life. It's about a man who discovers his whole life has been recorded on tape and now he has to come face-to-face with a past he thought he could forget.

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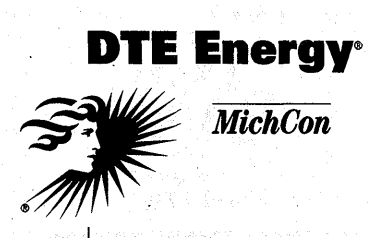
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Dear Rick: I read that capital gains rates are reduced this year. In fact, someone told me you can actually pay no taxes on your capital gains. Is this true?



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You are correct. The capital gains rate for many taxpayers is reduced to zero this year. Unfortunately, not all taxpayers get this break. If your ordinary income tax bracket is 10 or 15 percent, then your capital gain tax and the tax on qualified dividends is 5 percent. However, for 2008 through 2010, the capital gain rate is reduced to zero.

For taxpayers who are in higher tax brackets, their capital gain rate and tax on qualified dividends is 15 percent. Unfortunately, there is no reduction in taxes for those taxpayers.

Because of the reduction in capital gain rates for low-income taxpayers, this could

provide an opportunity for children who have appreciated securities to sell those investments this year. Potentially, they can sell the investment this year and recognize no taxes. In fact, you can turn around and re-buy the same investment if you choose. The wash-sale rules deal when you have losses, not gains.

In selling appreciated securities for children, one issue to consider is the kiddie tax which is the tax on a child's investment income. If a child's investment income is above the annual threshold amount, that income is taxed at their parents' highest bracket. For 2008, the threshold

amount for children is \$1,800. In addition, in 2008 the rules with regard to the kiddie tax changed. Under the new rules, the kiddie tax applies to children who are under 19 or full-time students under age 24 if they are claimed as dependents. Therefore, the key to having the capital gains tax free and avoiding the kiddie tax is to keep a child's investment income below \$1,800.

Under current tax law, the zero capital gains rate will remain in effect through 2010, however, tax laws change all the time and there is no certainty that the zero bracket will remain in effect until 2010. For taxpayers who are in the 10 of 15 percent regular income tax bracket, this year

creates an excellent planning opportunity. Therefore, don't delay in taking advantage of this great opportunity.

Dear Rick: I heard you say at the Observer & Eccentric Senior Expo that certificates of deposit were a good short-term but not a good long-term investment. I am a conservative investor and I cannot afford to lose my money. I have a \$75,000 CD coming due next month and I won't need the money for another couple of years. Is a CD OK?

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I recognize that many people are nervous about buying CDs from out-of-state and online banks. The bottom line is that as long as the bank is federally insured, your money is safe. Therefore, the

only issue is comfort level. In that regard, just take a step back and look at how different the world is today than when it was just 10 years ago. All of us are now using more technology than ever before, whether it is direct deposit of checks or bill payment services online.

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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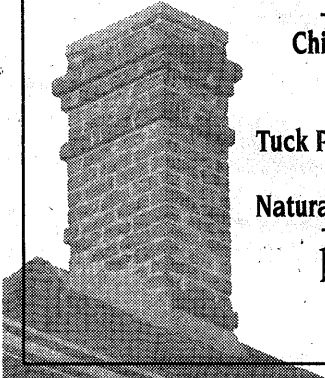
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The event objective is to provide annuity information to help attendees make best case retirement and estate decisions. Most people don't know where to start, what to do, or who to call when it comes to making well-researched, retirement planning choices. Unfortunately, without proper understanding of today's complex financial tools, the consumer may simply avoid these tools altogether or may even be persuaded into making a

wrong decision which can also have painful consequences.

The panel presenters include: Eudora Adolph, Financial Growth Engineer, AverTrust Advisors; Marc Melamed, Estate Planning Attorney, Maroko and Landau; Al Plecha, CPA; Tony Pappas, senior vice president, John Hancock; Dawn Impellizzeri, vice president, Transamerica Capital.

Panel discussion topics will

partially include:

- What are the differences between variable annuities and fixed or index annuities?
- When and for whom are these financial tools appropriate and when are they not?
- How does an annuity help fund retirement and provide for heirs?
- How does an annuity impact taxes?
- Annuity contracts have fees, penalties, step ups, payouts, and benefit riders that either cost or benefit the owner. What do these terms mean?
- What questions should one ask if invited to an annuity sales presentation to evaluate what is being presented?

There will be time after the panel discussion for attendees to speak with the presenters, request additional information, and register for detailed sessions. Annuity sales materials will not be available at this event, but further educational resources from government agencies will be provided to attendees.

There is a fee of \$10, payable at the door by check, payable to Sigma Financial Corp., to cover the costs of printing and room fees.

Congressional candidates meet in forum

The Democratic candidates for the 11th Congressional District will participate in a candidate's forum at 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 11, at the Livonia Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia.

Livonia attorney Joseph Larkin and former Novi City Manager Edward Kriewall will participate in the forum sponsored by the Livonia Democratic Club.

The two candidates will face each other in the Aug. 5 primary. The winner will face the incumbent U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia.

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According to the survey, the average cost for lodging in North America is \$164 per night, double occupancy, based on the most recent published rates for AAA Approved accommodations listed in the AAA TourBook guides. For two adults traveling and dining together in AAA travel experts recommend \$80 a day for meals, not including tips and beverages.

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OUR VIEWS

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Overall, more than 297,000 pounds of food were collected by postal carriers and The Salvation Army of Metro Detroit.

It's the nation's largest one-day event of its kind, and it couldn't have come at a better time for the Plymouth Salvation Army, which services Plymouth, Canton, Northville and Belleville. The cupboards in the Salvation Army's food pantry were getting pretty bare, and in one day those shelves were restocked.

The food drive was part of The Salvation Army's "Doing the Most Good" week and is designed to call attention to individuals and groups, who through their actions and donations are "Doing the Most Good" to help the communities in which they live and work.

The level of caring and the willingness to give in these communities never ceases to amaze. It's a community that's heavily dependent on the auto industry which, like pretty much everything else in the state, is struggling. One postal worker said on her route alone there are at least seven houses being foreclosed.

Yet there they were, providing bags and bags of groceries so that others might not have to go hungry. Salvation Army officials said local giving was up some 19 percent over last year. Capt. Jim Irvine, commander of the Plymouth corps, estimated the Salvation Army would have had to spend some \$5,400 to buy the amount of food that was donated during this drive.

With as many groups as there are in these communities, there always seems to be someone asking for help.

During the "Stamp Out Hunger" campaign, residents around here proved — again — help is as close as the mailbox.

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Thanks for article on donors

On Mother's Day in the Hometownlife section you published an article by Linda Chomin titled, "A Mother's Love." My family was the focus of that article, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms. Chomin and the *Observer & Eccentric Newspaper* for the wonderful presentation of the facts regarding the need for blood cell and marrow donors and providing a forum to make others aware. We were also able to share the locations of the many free registry drives that occurred in our area. Several people said that they joined the donor registry because of the article.

I would also like to thank the many businesses in northwest Livonia that allowed us to post fliers in their establishments about the donor registry drives. Several people also mentioned seeing the flier in a store or restaurant and following up to register at one of the drives listed. The strong community support was overwhelming, and you will never know what an important role you played. I hope our community will support your establishments as much as you supported this cause.

Finally, I would like to thank our family and friends who gave so unselfishly of their time and energies in organizing registry drives, distributing fliers, and working at the drives. Thank you all so much for your efforts. I was unable to participate, but based on the results it's apparent you gave it your all.

As a result of the donor drives organized by our small group, nearly 700 new potential donors joined the marrow registry, giving renewed hope to those in need of blood cell and marrow transplants. (Including the Ford Motor Co. drives being held across North America, I am confident the number of new registries will exceed 1,000.) We may never know if someone who joined the registry during these drives was a match for one of the over 6,000 people in need, but know that because of your efforts, the possibility that someone's life will be saved is very real.

I thank you all from the bottom of my heart. (For more information on joining the marrow registry or the most recent list of registry drives in your area, please visit www.marow.org and click on "join".)

Deb Rusnock

PCEP not handicapped friendly

I recently attended my first softball game played at Canton High School on

Saturday, May 31, and I can't express how disappointed I was.

Being handicapped, walking does not come easy, and when I found my way to the nearest parking lot to the ball field, I could not believe the distance I would have to walk just to get to the field. Surely, with all the land located around the three high schools, a parking lot closer to the fields ought to be considered so people like myself and others with walking disabilities may come and see a game and not have to worry about the distance to the field.

Please consider the handicapped people and the elderly who would also love to see their son or daughter or grandson or granddaughter play softball or baseball at the high schools.

Amy Kehrer
Canton

Writing centers are great

I would like to share with you and your readers a glimpse of my experience in one of the three writing centers at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park. Most students and parents know it as a place to go to get quick help on essays, but the experience is entirely different as a tutor.

For tutors, writing center is a class where the majority of class time is spent tutoring either students or other tutors. However, this is only one facet of the class. The other facets are our own writings: journals, tutor reflections, tutor articles, polished writings and the I-Search. All our compositions are done outside of school.

The most extensive and important writing piece is the I-Search. As the due date approaches is when I-Searching gets really interesting. At the end of first semester, over winter break, everyone in Salem writing center second lunch got together for an "I-Search party." The I-Searches were due the day we got back from break, and we needed a total of six peer edits for it to be considered complete. We met in a tutor's basement at noon and spent the next six hours together, laughing and reading our favorite excerpts aloud.

We all adored Jessica's I-Search about cartooning. The cartoons she'd drawn about crushes were clever and reminded me of my own experiences from kindergarten. Gunjan's I-Search about asparagus was very scientific and exact, and impressed me with the meticulous details she'd learned about the nutritional values of asparagus. Stephanie's was about Eastern medicine, and I was able to

experience what she'd experienced as she researched her topic — her thoughts, frustrations, feelings and quest to learn more.

Gunjan and her mother were kind enough to surprise us with some delicious pasta half way through.

When we got back to editing, we spent most of our time telling stories of what we'd done for research, and could barely work for all the joking we did. The joking was about all the fun we'd had researching, though, and the funny experiences we'd had. What I remember most is jumping from chair to chair as we rearranged ourselves to work most comfortably with our current partner. There were papers scattered across the floor, table, chairs and various cushions. It was chaos as, when I picked up a sheaf of papers to edit, I found three different I-Searches. All the working and learning we did together for these six hours was one of the highlights of my senior year.

This was only one of the many fun things that happened in writing center, though. We have fun working with students on their papers, with each other on publicity campaigns, and learning with other tutors about different literary forms. Writing Center was an unforgettable experience that will influence my writings for the rest of my life.

Rene Perry
Canton

Beware of the loyalty

Of the many juvenile characteristics possessed by President G.W. Bush, I think the most humorous are his penchant for giving everyone a nickname and his *Little Rascal*-like devotion to a misguided sense of loyalty. Not loyalty to authority. Not loyalty to truth, but loyalty to the gang. If it weren't so childish, it would be Nixonian.

Former Bush press secretary Scott McClellan's new book includes description of the Bush administration's dishonesty in their runup to the invasion of Iraq. I knew it. You knew it, but it's always nice to get confirmation. Of course, Bush defenders scurried from beneath the woodwork to attack McClellan, but oddly enough, they didn't dispute his words. Instead, they were incredulous that Scott would do such a thing.

G.W. took us to the brink of Armageddon and John McCain wants to finish the job. He's a loyal guy and he knows the handshake. Voter, beware!

Bill McCleverty
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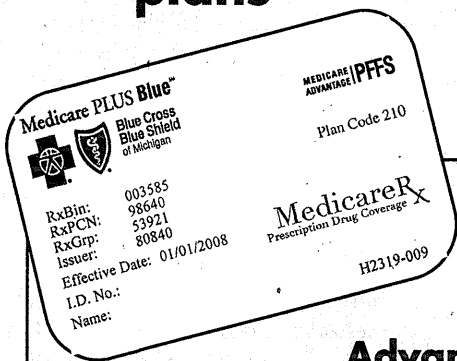
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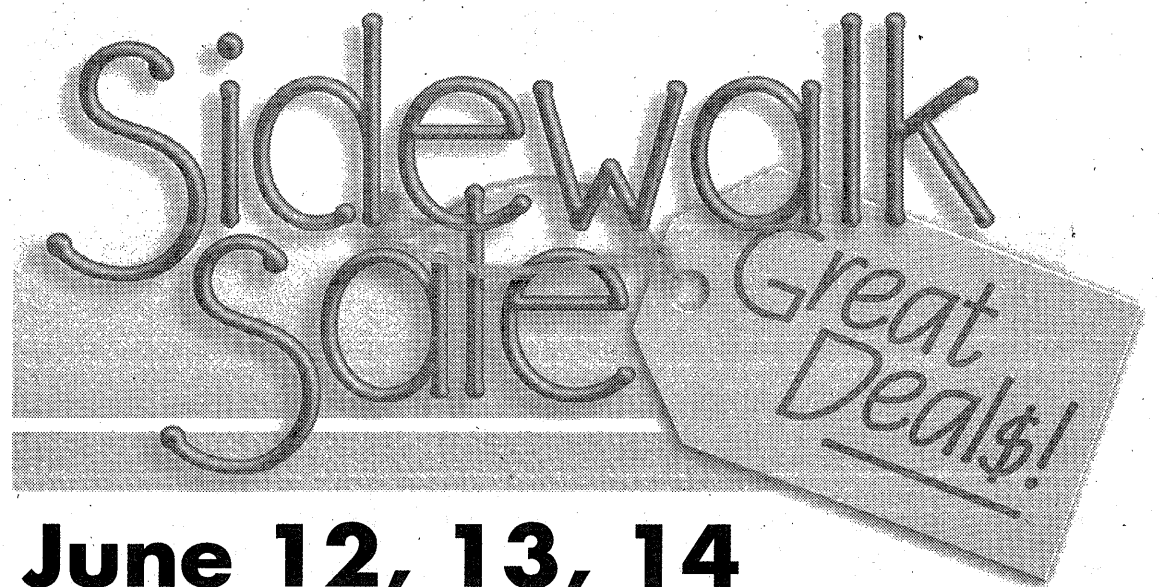
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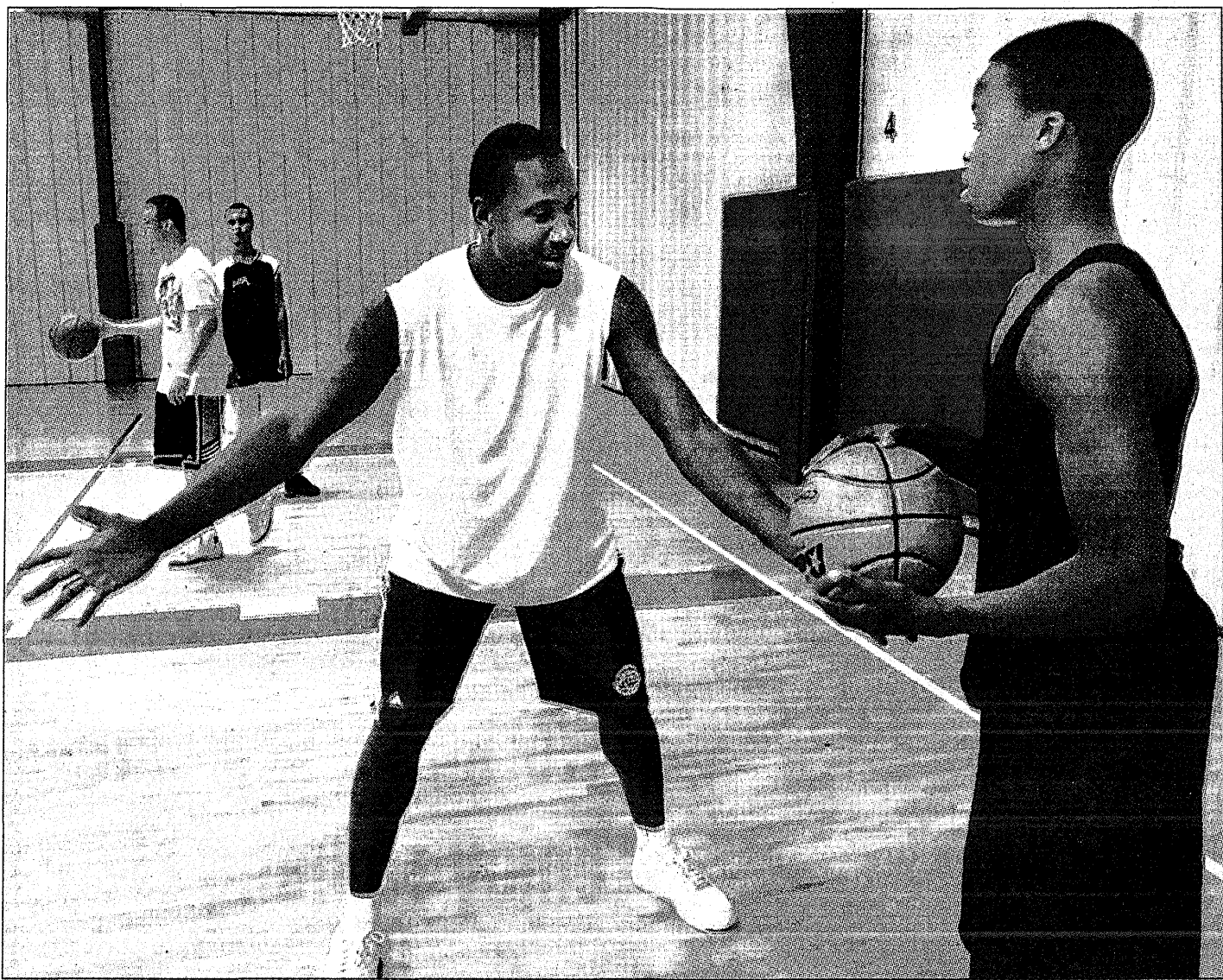
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Detroit Piston Lindsay Hunter, a resident of Plymouth Township, teaches 15-year-old Canton resident C.J. Mwila a few of the defensive techniques that have helped him throughout his 15-year NBA career.

Plymouth's Piston

Hunter's best advice to young hoop players: 'Hard work pays off'

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

If Lindsey Hunter's early childhood athletic dreams had come true, the Plymouth Township resident would probably be preparing to hold a series of football clinics this summer — not the basketball camps he's set to host beginning later this month at High Velocity Sports in Canton. "I was a football player when I was younger," said the

37-year-old Hunter, a 15-year veteran of the NBA who has enjoyed two successful stints with the Detroit Pistons. "My dad and I always thought I'd play wide receiver for Jackson State (his alma mater). I grew up watching Jerry Rice and guys like that."

Hunter, who is widely regarded as one of the NBA's most tenacious on-the-ball defenders, didn't switch his sport of choice until his freshman year of high school.

"I had a ninth-grade basketball coach who thought I had a lot of basketball talent and he kind of catapulted me from there," said Hunter. "I wasn't even the best player on my high school team, but I worked, and I worked and I worked to get better."

"The best player on my high school team was my back-court running mate, James Robinson. He went to Alabama

Please see **HUNTER, B6**

LEARN FROM A PRO

High Velocity Sports in Canton will be offering three week-long summer basketball camps featuring Detroit Piston Lindsey Hunter. Following are the facts:

■ **When:** The five-day camps will begin June 23, July 7 and July 21 and run each day from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.;

■ **Where:** High Velocity Sports, which is located at 46245 Michigan Ave. in Canton;

■ **Who:** The camps are open to girls and boys between the ages of 8 and 17 years old; Hunter is scheduled to appear every day of every camp;

■ **How much?:** \$295 per week-long session;

■ **For more information:** Call (734) HV-SPORT or visit www.hvssports.com.

Eagles 11th at state golf meet

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Mid-way through the Division 4 team state golf meet held Friday and Saturday at Forest Akers West Golf Course in East Lansing, first-time attendee Plymouth Christian Academy was holding its own.

Following Friday's opening round of the 36-hole event, the Eagles were in 11th place with a score of 358 — 30 more than front-runner Saugatuck.

Scores were affected by the hot (90 degrees) and windy (30-miles-per-hour gusts) conditions.

Senior returning All-State performer Ross Gerulis was leading the way with an 80 on the demanding layout, which is the home course of Michigan State University. Gerulis' eight-over-par total placed him in a tie for eighth among all of the competitors. White Pigeon's Chase Olsen was leading the medalist race with a first-round 70.

Also competing for PCA were Robert Qualls (91), Mitchell Geracz (92), Scott Hampson (95) and Ryan Palmer (99).

A pair of local golfers competed in the Division 1 individual portion of the tournament, which was also held Friday and Saturday.

Belleville High School's Zach McCurley, a resident of Canton, fired a 79, which put him five shots behind first-round leaders Matt Alessi (Birmingham Brother Rice), Tim Shield (Grosse Pointe South) and Jackson Davison (Rockford).

Canton High School's Zach Conrad, the lone PCEP player to qualify for the individual state meet, carded a 10-over 82.

Brother Rice's 314 led the Division 1 team tournament following Friday's first round.

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Sidelines

PCS lacrosse alumni game

The third annual Plymouth-Canton-Salem Alumni vs. Varsity lacrosse game will be held Friday, June 13, at 6 p.m. at the PCEP varsity stadium.

Alumni of the PCS teams that played for the Warriors from 2002 to 2007 are invited to take on graduating seniors from this year's Plymouth, Canton and Salem squads.

This spring marked the first year each school had its own team.

All alumni who are interested in playing or who have questions regarding Friday's game should call Nina Smithpeters at (734) 981-3290 or e-mail her at nsmithpeters@wowway.com; or contact Stephanie Saia at (734) 453-6914 or sasia@comcast.net.

Alumni are asked to arrive at the field by 5 p.m. on Friday.

The game will serve as a fundraiser for the 1/24 Battalion Memorial, which benefits the 1st Battalion, 24th Marines Division, which four alumni have served.

Last year's game raised over \$500 for the memorial.

PCA's Allen lauded

Plymouth Christian Academy's Jordan Allen earned All-MIAC champion distinction at the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference meet last month.

Allen, a first-year competitor, took first place in the high jump with a leap of 5 feet, 11 inches.

Allen also excels off the track as has served at the Congressional Student Leadership Conference and National Student Leadership Conference.

PCA ousted by Gryphons in shoot-out

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth Christian Academy girls soccer team's do-it-all season was done in Wednesday night by a do-it-all goalkeeper.

The Eagles, who entered the game ranked No. 2 in Division 4, were edged 1-0 by nemesis Ann Arbor Greenhills in a thrilling double-overtime shootout Regional semifinal contest at Ann Arbor Pioneer High School.

Gryphon sophomore keeper Madeline Hutchison not only made two saves in the shoot-out — one of which was a spectacular diving effort — she also scored the clinching goal to give her team an insurmountable 4-2 lead with PCA having just one shot left.

It was the second consecutive year the Gryphons sidelined the Eagles, who enjoyed a stellar season, winning their second straight Michigan Independent Athletic Conference title while losing just

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twice prior to Wednesday's setback.

PCA goalie Sara Ross matched Hutchison save for save during the first 110 minutes of play — the two 40-minute halves and the pair of 15-minute overtime sessions.

The shootout, which consisted of five shots by each team, was knotted at 1-all after Greenhills Emma Betzig and PCA's Jalese DeBiasi converted their shots. However, the Gryphons seized a 2-1 advantage after round 2 when Andrea McIntosh scored and Hutchison stoned Brooke Williams' hard, knee-high shot.

Greenhills took a 3-1 lead on

Sara Nelson's high, hard shot into the right corner, but PCA stayed alive thanks to Jenna Misch's tally that brought the Eagles to within 3-2.

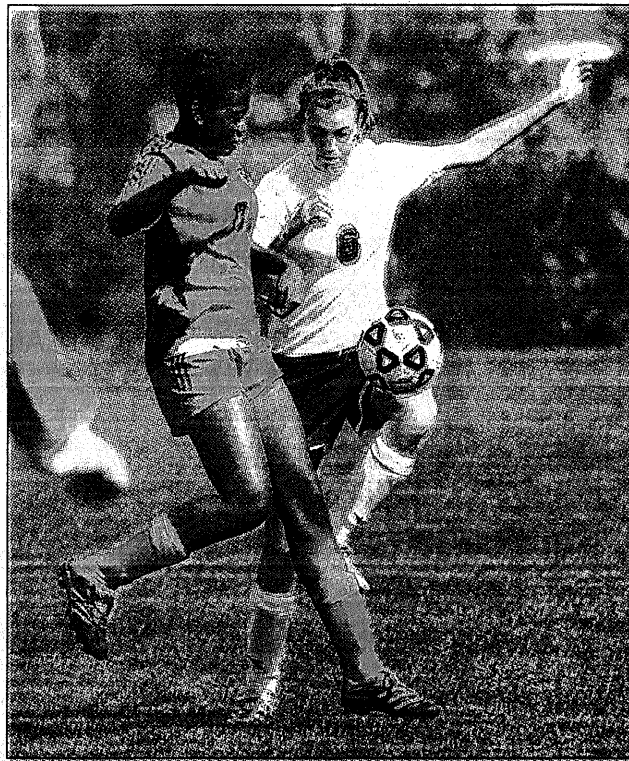
PCA received new life when Gryphon mid-fielder Miranda Dershimer's effort sailed just high, however, Hutchison denied Kimberly Clearly when she went horizontal to her right to knock the firmly struck ball out of harm's way.

Hutchison then ended the shoot-out in the fifth round by hitting a low shot past Ross to make it 4-2.

Several Eagles shined in defeat, most notably DeBiasi, Alyson DeKruyter, Meghan Polera, Misch, Peggy Abraham and Annette Somercik.

The victory propelled the Gryphons into Friday night's final against the winner of Wednesday night's Monroe Catholic Central-Bishop Foley match-up.

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Plymouth Christian Academy junior defender Kimberly Cleary (6), pictured above in a game earlier this season, helped the Eagles shut out Ann Arbor Greenhills during 80 minutes of regulation play and two 15-minute overtimes in Wednesday's Regional semifinal game at Ann Arbor Pioneer High School. The Gryphons eventually prevailed in a shoot-out.

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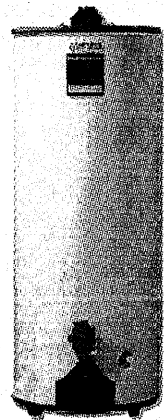
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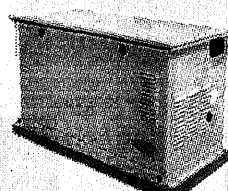
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Canton Chiefs baseball camp

There's still time to register for the Canton Chiefs baseball camp, which is set for June 16-19 on the team's field.

Hitting instruction from ex-Chicago Cub Brent Sachs will be one of the highlights of the camp, which is offered to kids between the ages of 7 and 14.

The \$120 fee for the four-day camp includes instruction, lunch and a camp T-shirt.

Interested parties can register by visiting: www.eteamz.com/cantonchiefsbaseballclub and clicking on the "Summer Camp" link.

Information is also available by calling Diane Galanty at (734) 765-1255.

Plymouth Football Camp

The Plymouth Wildcat Skills Camp will run June 23-25 from

5-7 p.m. at the PCEP varsity stadium field. It is a fundamentals camp for kids from 5th to 9th grades.

For more information, visit www.plymouthwildcats.com or call coach Sawchuk at (734) 582-5696.

Hoop camps

The following three girls basketball camps will be offered this summer through Community Education:

■ A Canton girls basketball camp (#146) will be offered at Canton High School from June 16-20 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day. Girls entering seventh through ninth grade this coming fall are eligible to participate.

■ A Canton and Salem girls basketball camp (#143) will be held at Canton High School June 16-20 from 1-3 p.m. for girls entering fourth through sixth grade in the fall of 2008.

■ A Canton and Salem girls basketball camp (#144) will be offered July 14-18 from noon to 1:30 p.m. at Salem High School for girls entering sixth through eighth grade in the fall of 2008.

For more information on these camps, contact Community Education at (734) 416-2937.

Wildcat golf outing

The 7th Annual Plymouth High School Wildcat Football Golf Outing will be held Saturday, July 19, at 1:30 p.m. at The Inn at St. John's Golf and Conference Center, which is located at 44045 Five Mile in Plymouth.

The format will be a best-ball scramble with a shotgun start.

The \$100-per-golfer fee includes dinner and a hot dog at the turn. Individuals can attend just the buffet dinner for \$40.

Hole sponsorships are available for \$100.

For more information, contact Lisa Goble at (734) 207-8889 or at Rgoble64@aol.com.

The registration deadline is July 7.

Shooters Golf Tour

Local golf enthusiasts are invited to participate in the summer-long Shooters Golf Tour, a development tour that offers six different competitive divisions and is played on several of the best public courses Michigan has to offer.

The SGT is also the only tour of its kind in the state that offers up-to-the-minute live scoring on the internet.

For more information, visit www.shootersgolf.com.

Chiefs golf outing

The annual Canton Chiefs Football Booster Club golf outing will be held June 21 at Fox

Hills in Plymouth Township.

The scramble-format event will tee off with a shotgun start at 1:30 p.m.

For more information on the outing, visit www.cantonchiefs-football.com.

Salem grid camps

The Salem High School football program will be offering a pair of camps this summer — one aimed at youths and the other at women who want to learn more about the finer points of the sport.

The Salem Women's Football Academy, which is set for May 31 at Salem High School, will teach the finer techniques, rules and strategies of American tackle football women only.

One-hundred percent of the proceeds will go to the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute's "First Step" program.

The cost is \$50 per adult and \$40 per girls under 13.

Registration begins at 7:59 a.m. and the camp runs through 3 p.m.

The annual Salem Youth Football Instructional Camp will be held Saturday, July 12, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the PCEP varsity football field.

The registration for participants who pay before July 7 is \$10; the cost is \$20 after July 7.

Participants will receive hands-on instruction in the fundamental strategies and techniques necessary to become a successful football player.

The camp is open to all Plymouth and Canton residents between the ages of 7 and 13, regardless of where they will attend high school.

For more information on the camps, visit www.football.salemrocks.com or send an e-mail to psstoo@comcast.net.



Pictured are participants of Workman Elementary School's "Girls on the Run" program: coach Michelle Homsy (bottom), Candice Williams, Abby Combs, Lexi Granowicz, Gabby Homsy, Vanessa Homsy, Elise Livingston, Genevieve St. Jean, Sophie Szczotka and Leigha Vanderklok. Not pictured are Holly Schultz and Kayla Neme; and assistant coaches Cathie Williams and Margie Ladzick.

Workman students enjoy running club

There's a lot more than running involved in Workman Elementary School's "Girls on the Run" program.

While an increased level of fitness is one of the program's goals, the 10-week course also offers third- through fifth-graders important advice on how to recognize rumors, how gossiping hurts everyone, good food choices and the difference between inner and outer beauty.

To conclude the course, participants will run in the 5K Father's Day Run in Plymouth to celebrate their accomplishments.

"I was impressed by how quickly the girls went from running relays to running laps to becoming friends," said coach Michelle Homsy. "It's been a great success and the girls are the winners."

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U14 Boys	4:00-5:30PM	7:30-9:00PM	3 TEAMS
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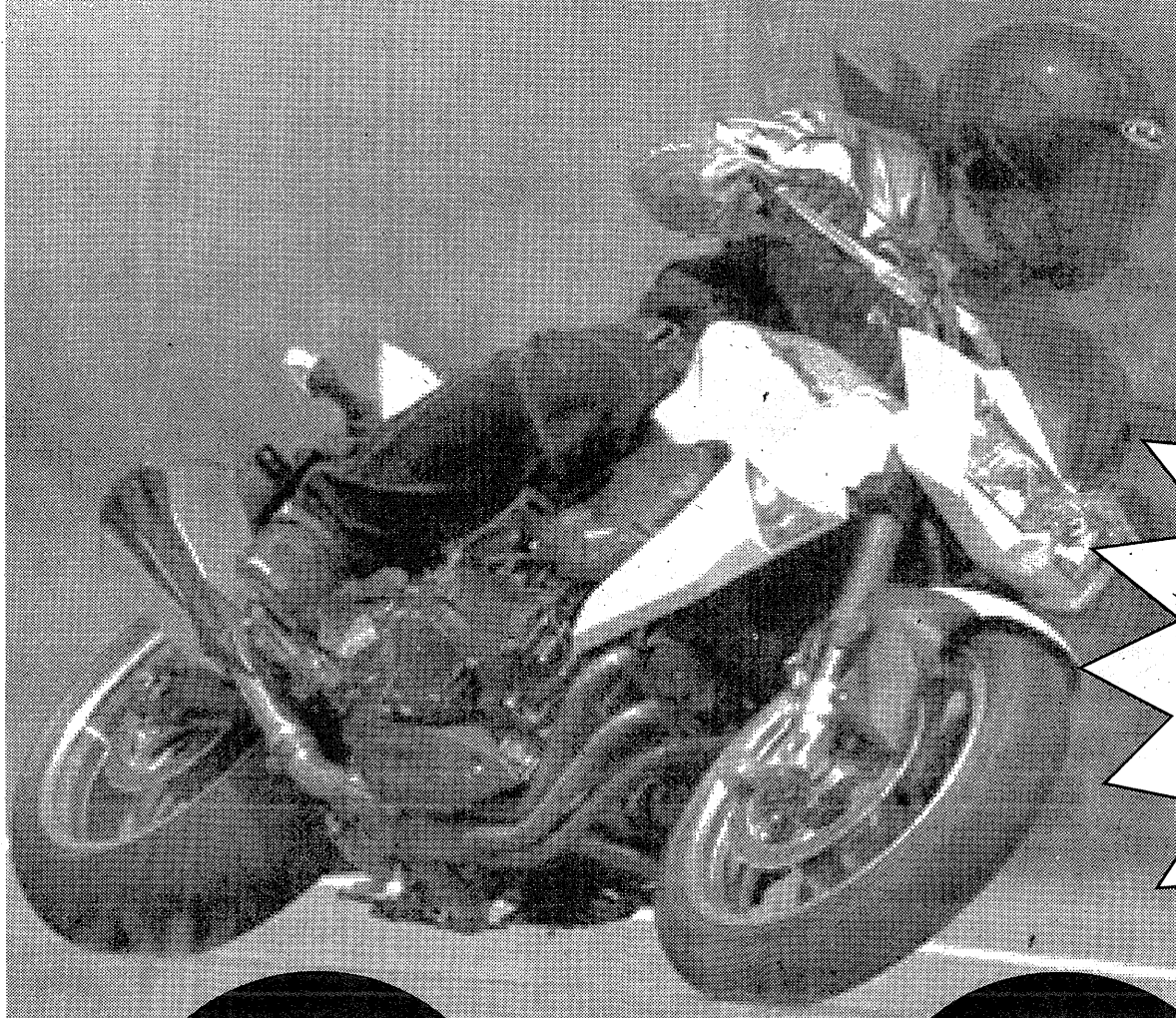
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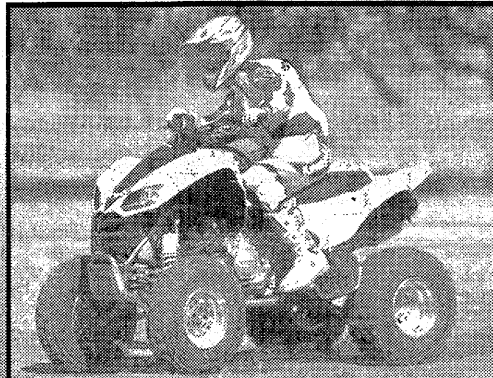


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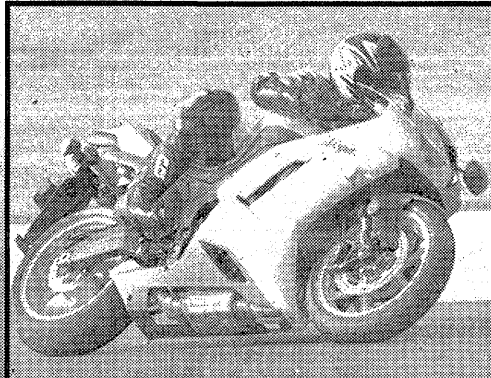


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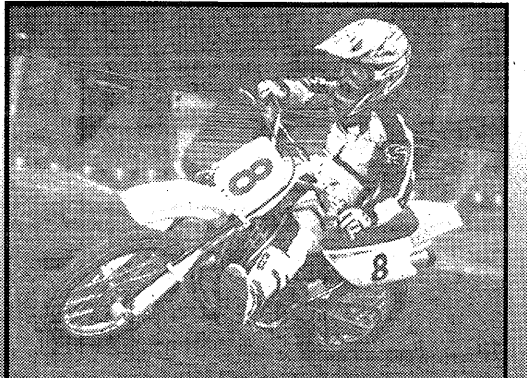


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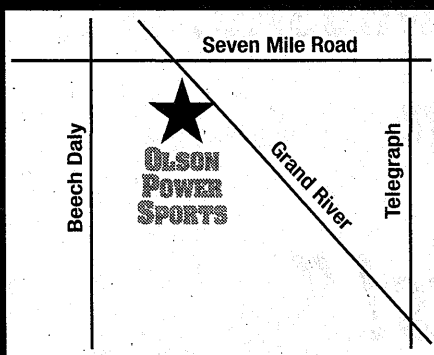
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Lupus loops bike ride

Registration begins 8 a.m. and ends 10 a.m. Sunday, June 8, begins and ends at 25 Mile and Shelby Rd., Shelby Township. Choose from a 18 mile casual ride to a 100K road ride or 17.5 mile trail ride. Benefits Lupus Alliance support groups, community outreach, programs, awareness and research. Registration fees \$18 before June 1, \$25 after. For information or to register, call (800) 705-6677 or visit www.milupus.org. A pancake breakfast will be served for all riders at the VFW Hall in Bruce Township.

Tour de Cure event

Tour de Cure, the American Diabetes Association's annual cycling event is June 8 at Island Lake Recreation Area in Brighton. Sign up by calling (800) TOUR-888 or visit www.diabetes.org/tour.

Michigan Thyroid Support

The group meets 7 p.m. Monday, June 9, at the Plymouth Library. Guest speaker is chiropractor David Atiyeh. For more information, call (734) 453-7945.

Divorce support group

Group discussion; attorney Patricia Kasody-Coyle will also be available to answer questions in a private setting on a first come, first served basis, 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, June 10, in the Women's Resource Center (room 225), McDowell Center, Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. (734) 462-4443.

Fund-raiser

The Women of Bloomfield (WOB) hosts its 24th Annual Juried Arts & Crafts Show with 65 artists/crafters 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, June 11, at First United Methodist Church, 1589 W. Maple at Pleasant, Birmingham. The show is a fund-raiser for CARE House of Oakland County and SCAMP. Proceeds to SCAMP will go to summer camp scholarships for special needs children. Proceeds to CARE House go to prevention, intervention and education programming. There will be a 50/50 Raffle, a Bake Sale and Food Booth. For information, call Beverly Allen (248) 737-4160.

Diabetes presentation

Diabetes and Your Heart 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 11, St. Mary Mercy Hospital Auditorium, 36475 Five Mile at Levan, Livonia. Use Main Entrance on Five Mile. For information, call (734) 655-8955. Speaker is cardiologist Syamasundera Zampani, Staff Member of St. Mary Mercy Hospital. No charge, pre-registration not required.

Support group

Metro Fibromyalgia & CFS meet 1-3 p.m. Thursday, June 12, at Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman, one block south of Ford Rd., Garden City. Speaker is Katherine Gothard, a psychotherapist. The subject is coping with fibro. No dues, donations accepted. Questions call Lucy (734) 462-1768.

Awards benefit

The 2008 The Man & Woman of the Year of The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Michigan Chapter reaches its culmination when the male and female candidates who raise the most money will be revealed during the Grand Finale celebration June 12 at the Ritz Carlton in Dearborn. The festivities start at 5:30 p.m. with a silent auction to benefit The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. The 2008 winners will be announced at 7 p.m. Winners and runners-up also receive a variety of donated prizes. Admission is complimentary, but donations are welcome. For more information, call (248) 582-2900.

Free presentations

Saint Joseph Mercy Health System is hosting When God and Cancer Meet: the Heart, Mind and Soul of a Cancer Survivor, 5-6:30 p.m. Friday, June 13, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia (classroom 1, enter South Lobby off Levan, and Saturday, June 14, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, 5305 McAuley Dr., Ypsilanti (Education Center Auditorium. Speaker is Lynn Eib, cancer survivor, patient advocate and author. A book signing follows. For details, call (734) 655-1616.

Kids for a cure

Cancer Awareness Fun Walk starting 10 a.m. at St. Michael School (11300 Fairfield St., Livonia), ending at Mies Park 2 p.m. Saturday, June 14. Minimum pledge \$10. Donate \$25 or more and receive a T-shirt. Call Eileen Hogg at (734) 525-9276.

People's medical college

Stay Hip and Active presentation on Birmingham Hip Resurfacing System June 21, at MSU Management Center, 811 W. Square Lake Rd., Troy. Pre-registration required. Call (888) DMC-2500 or visit www.dmc.org/peoplesmedicalcollege.

Golf benefit

The 2008 Gray's Reef Golf Classic that raises money each year for Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan (CLF) is scheduled for Monday, June 23, at Oakland University, Rochester Hills with a 12:30 p.m. shotgun start, the day includes continental breakfast, 18 holes of golf with a cart, lunch at Meadowbrook Hall, open bar, silent auction, prizes and dinner. For more information or to register for the Grays Reef Golf Classic, call (248) 353-8222 or visit www.leukemiamichigan.org.

Studies show tart cherries may help prevent heart disease

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
O&E STAFF WRITER

Mitchell Seymour doesn't let a day go by without eating tart dried cherries. As a University of Michigan research assistant, he's learned about the health benefits derived from a diet rich in fruits and vegetables. The most recent study at the University of Michigan Cardiovascular Center showed that tart cherry powder reduced cholesterol, body fat and weight gain — risk factors for heart disease — when obesity-prone rats were fed the supplement along with a high-fat, American-style diet.

Anthocyanin, the bright red pigment in cherries, is a flavonoid known for its antioxidant activity. Antioxidants have been shown to prevent free radicals from damaging cells in the body. Flavonoids are part of a group of antioxidants found in fruits, vegetables, green tea, red wine and cocoa. Cherries, blueberries, cranberries, blackberries, eggplant, red wine and red cabbage are all rich in anthocyanins. Tart red cherries were studied rather than the darker sweet Bings because of the sour fruit's higher levels of anthocyanins.

"We think as a class, anthocyanin-rich fruits and vegetables could be a component for preventing cardiovascular disease and diabetes. Cherries as part of an anthocyanin-rich diet are really helpful," said Seymour, a U-M research associate under the direction of Dr. Steven Bolling, a U-M cardiac surgeon and director of the laboratory. Seymour was senior scientist on the project.

"We're interested in a compound in anthocyanins because of some promising research where it was tested in test tubes for its effect on individual cells. It affected some enzymes related to inflammation and cholesterol."

The latest study at the U-M Cardiovascular Center followed research done on lean rats fed a low-fat diet with or without cherries. The animals who received cherries had lower blood sugar, cholesterol and fat storage in the liver. The findings from both studies were revealed at annual Experimental Biology meetings.

"We were looking at effects of cherry in otherwise healthy animals," Seymour said. "When tested in normally lean rats, we found it lowered cholesterol and triglycerides, basically affected a fat accumulation in the liver, reduced fatty liver. We thought what if we tested this in an obese rat and looked at other tissues and organs."

"In the second study, we found that the dose of cherries, only one percent of the diet from whole cherries, reduced body fat in the abdomen of these animals,

which is an increased risk for cardiovascular disease. We also found reduced markers of inflammation in the plasma. We also found the same thing in the first study, that the cherries lowered triglycerides and cholesterol. These animals were genetically prone to obesity and eating a Western-style diet like humans with saturated fat and cholesterol."

Seymour says previous research, which looked at blueberries containing similar compounds, was encouraging and led to the U-M studies.

"These studies are going to help support the evidence," Seymour said. "At this point, we only have anecdotal evidence. We want to back that up. We think cher-

ries are acting through this particular target for treating metabolic syndrome and could be complementary to standard medical treatment."

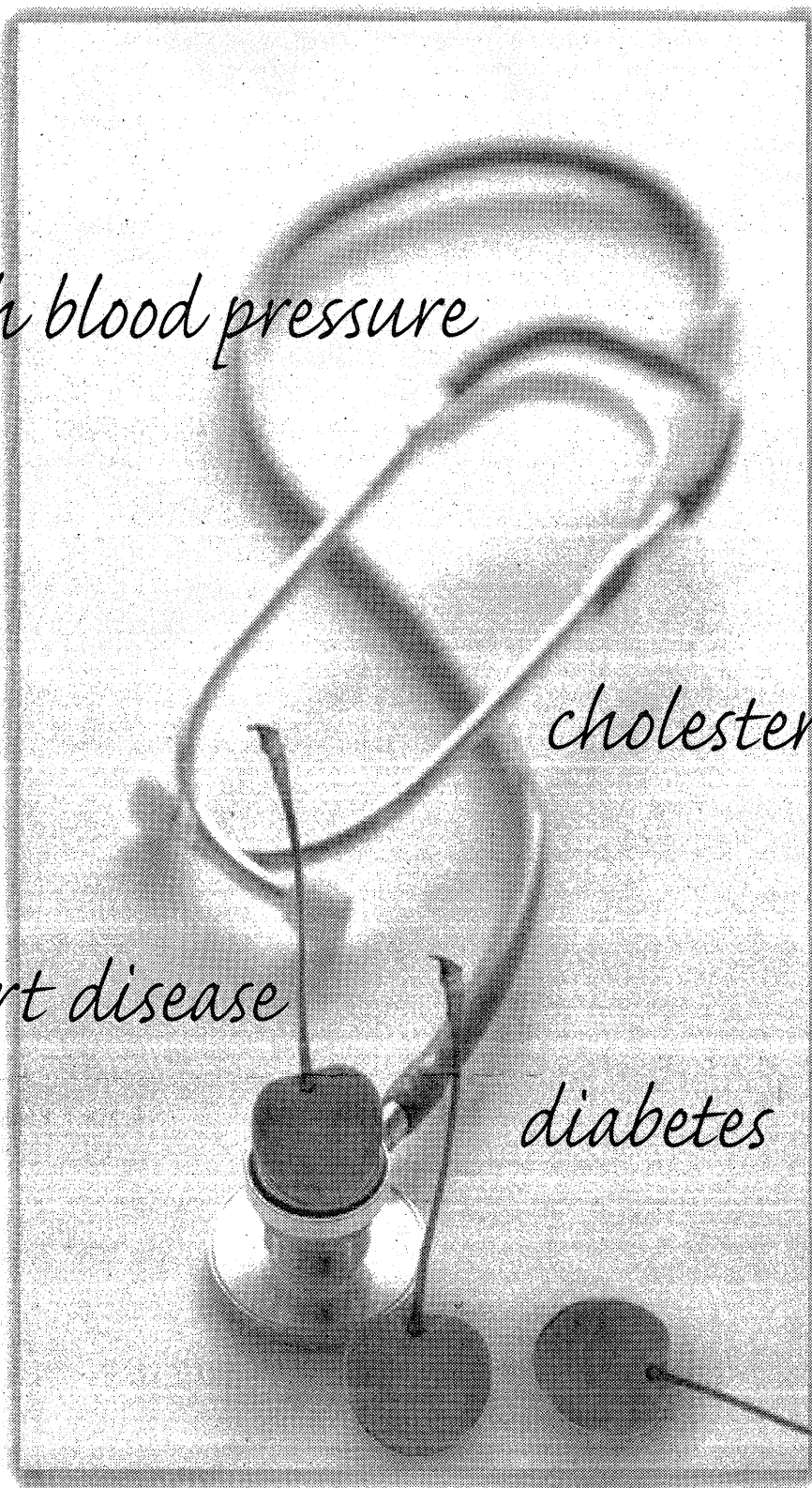
The U-M Cardiovascular Center is currently in the midst of studying the effects of cherries on humans in a clinical trial, with results expected this fall. The center is also studying grapes and apples as they pertain to heart disease. Grapes were the first fruit studied by the center, in 2003.

"The cherries first worked in lean animals, but we're talking about impacting humans. We're going to put the cherry to the test from that standpoint," Seymour said. "We have a clinical study

under way now, similar to the first study, with relatively healthy individuals with a dose equivalent to what we gave the rats. We're looking in blood and urine for what compounds are there. For the human study, we're using whole cherries, frozen tart cherries, doing two different doses, 45 cherries, the other 90 cherries or about two cups.

"We need to know the long-term effects. We know the short-term effects. We know you're going to have a lower blood pressure eating fruits and vegetables, but we don't understand the mechanism, how is this working?"

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HAP sponsors Splash Bash

More than half of the 20.6 million American adults who have diabetes also have arthritis, which often keeps them from being active and controlling their disease.

Health Alliance Plan is encouraging western Wayne County residents with arthritis and diabetes — and others who have trouble exercising on land — to give the pool a try this summer through HAP's free Moms in Motion and Senior Splash Bash classes.

Classes will be held 3-4 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning June 17 and ending Aug. 21, at the Bailey Recreation Center pool, 36651 Ford, Westland.

Physical activity, such as water aerobics, can help control blood sugar levels and reduce joint pain; however, according to a report in the May 9 issue of *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report*, people with diabetes and arthritis are more likely to be physically inactive (29.8 percent) compared to those with diabetes alone (20.1

percent). Water aerobics can be ideal for people with arthritis because the buoyancy of the water reduces stress on joints, bones and muscles. Many of the pools participating in this HAP-sponsored program have zero-depth entry, which make it easier for anyone to enter and exit the pool.

In 2007, nearly 5,000 metro Detroiters participated in Moms in Motion and Senior Splash Bash classes, with an average daily participation of more than 500. HAP hopes to continue to grow participation this summer as it has done each year since the program began.

While the program targets mothers and seniors, any adult may participate. Classes are not limited to HAP members. For more information about classes, contact HAP at (313) 664-8420 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to noon Saturday. Registration is required.



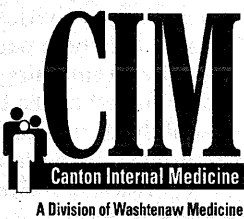
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Eagles in search of birdies

The Plymouth Christian Academy boys golf team captured the school's first Division 4 Regional championship Friday, May 30, at Bald Mountain Golf Course in Clarkston. Pictured (from left) are coach Kurt Johnston, Ryan Parker, Bobby Qualls, Ross Gerulis, Mitch Geracz and Scott Hampson.

HUNTER

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and I went to Jackson State, which wasn't really a highly touted school. But I kept working hard and ended up getting drafted (with the 10th overall pick in 1993 NBA Draft by the Pistons)."

Hunter chuckled and shook his head when asked if he had a state-of-the-art facility like HVS to sharpen his hoop skills while growing up in Utica, Miss.

"No, I had a hoop in my backyard," he said. "At first, it was a dirt court, but my dad said if I worked hard enough, he'd put down concrete, which he eventually did."

"Looking back now, it wasn't a real big court, but at the time I thought it was the best court in the world."

Hunter said he jumped at the chance to help out at the week-long basketball camps HVS is offering beginning June 23, July

7 and July 21.

"I haven't done camps in about four years, but I thought it would be a great idea to help out because I enjoy working with my own kids (he has three sons and a daughter) and I like to get active in the camps," said Hunter.

"The biggest thing I want the kids thinking about when they walk out of the camp is that if they really want to excel at something, they have to work hard at it. Everybody isn't going to be a superstar, but everybody can learn to be a good basketball player if they're willing to work hard."

Hunter said he's enjoyed living in the Plymouth-Canton area since moving from Bloomfield Hills in 2004.

"We sold our house in Bloomfield four years ago when I got traded to the Lakers," he said. "I love this area — it reminds me of the South where I grew up — so we were going to stay in Michigan, regardless of who I played for."

"We found this house on the market in Plymouth with a lot of land that we liked, and since I didn't play for the Pistons, we didn't have to live close to the Palace. But as soon as we closed on this house, I got traded back to Detroit."

Hunter said he sympathized for ex-Piston coach Flip Saunders, who was fired on Monday.

"Yeah, I feel for him — it's unfortunate for anyone to lose a job," he said. "Unfortunately, it's the nature of this business. Players get traded, players get cut and coaches get fired."

Hunter was non-committal when asked who he thought would win this year's NBA Finals between Boston and Los Angeles.

"It's too painful to watch because I think we should be in it," said Hunter.

"I hope it ends in a tie," he concluded, chuckling.

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SPORTS SHORTS

Canton hoop golf outing

The inaugural "Canton Basketball Golf Outing" will be held Saturday, Aug. 2, beginning with an 8 a.m. shotgun start at Hilltop Golf Course, which is located at 4700 Powell Road in Plymouth. A scramble format will be used.

The \$100 fee includes 18 holes of golf, a cart, lunch at the turn, dinner and prizes.

Information regarding sponsorship opportunities and registration forms are available by calling Dan Colligan at (248) 444-6011. The registration deadline is Friday, July 11.

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Michigan Eye Doctor Helps Legally Blind

Dr. Sheldon Smith fits special glasses to help those with macular degeneration and other eye conditions keep reading and driving.

By Elena Lombardi

Most of us take things like reading, watching TV or playing cards for granted. But poor vision from conditions like macular degeneration, glaucoma, diabetes or cataracts makes these tasks difficult or even impossible. When people have insufficient vision to do the things they want to do, they have low vision.

Today Michigan Optometrist Dr. Sheldon Smith has the answers many of these people have been seeking. Dr. Smith, a Low Vision Specialist, helps people with these types of eye diseases see better. A Fellow of the International Academy of Low Vision Specialists, Dr. Smith is one of a select group of doctors serving the visually impaired.

"People don't know there are experienced doctors who can help them with specialized low vision care," says Dr. Smith. "Many people are told by their own doctors that nothing more can be done for their eye condition, but there are ways to improve vision," says Dr. Smith. "We fit special devices to help patients meet their various visual goals."

Patients often end up using weak, clumsy hand-held magnifiers trying to help themselves see better. Conversely, Dr. Smith prescribes hands-free devices that are easier to use. "We use the same telescopic devices surgeons

use during operations," says Dr. Smith. "That's how powerful and convenient they are.

Special prismatic reading glasses and microscopes help make reading a little easier. Telescopic glasses primarily focus on distance objects like TV, passing neighbors or scenery. Telescopes can also be adapted to closer tasks like playing cards or computers. "Telescopes can even help people meet the driver vision requirement" Dr. Smith explained.

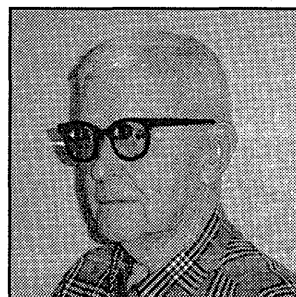
Michigan is one of 46 states that allow bioptic telescopic glasses for driving.

Mr. Leo Hakola, age 85 of Livonia, Michigan saw Dr. Smith last May.

Macular degeneration, cataract, stroke and double vision were causing reading and driving problems. Dr. Smith prescribed a complete low vision system which included telescopic glasses for driving and special prismatic glasses for reading. The entire cost was \$2789. Leo said "the telescopic driving glasses really help me see traffic lights and street signs down the block. And reading is much easier and single now with these special reading glasses. I am glad I found you, Dr. Smith."

In addition to the spectacle vision aids, Dr. Smith offers training to help people accomplish their daily activities. Visual aids help patients use their remaining vision to its fullest capacity while rehabilitative training improves the patient's

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Leo Hakola wearing telescopic driving glasses

ability to carry out necessary independent activities. And of course safeguarding present vision levels is crucial. Sun filters and nutritional supplements can improve vision and prevent further loss.

"Each patient has a unique amount of vision and their own goals," says Dr. Smith. "I am committed to helping patients do what matters most to them and improving their quality of life."

Special reading glasses start at \$600 and custom telescopes can cost from \$1800 to \$2,500.

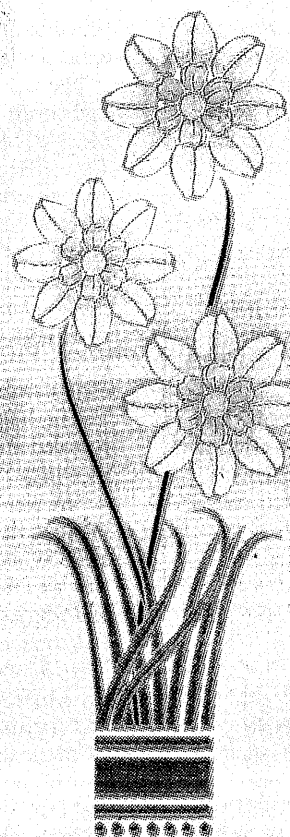
If you or someone you know is struggling with their vision, call Dr. Smith to find out how low vision care can help. There is help available. You just need to know where to find it.

You can reach Dr. Smith and Suburban Low Vision of Michigan at

1-877-677-2020.

Dr. Smith has offices in Livonia, Warren, Shelby Township and the Lansing area.

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Be honest about long-distance relationship

My boyfriend is moving to Florida. I don't know if I should wait around for him or if I should move on. I don't want to move on, but I feel like I have no choice. What should I do?

Long Distance in Garden City

I'm so sorry to hear your boyfriend is moving so far away. Losing a friend, boyfriend or girlfriend, can be very hard. Maintaining that relationship from so far away is even more difficult! You need to ask yourself if it's a realistic idea that your boyfriend will return to this area. If he's not planning on moving back in the near future,

there may be nothing to wait around for. If moving back is a small possibility, it might be nice to try to maintain a friendship while he's gone.

These days, with MySpace, Facebook, IM and e-mail, long-distance friendships are a little easier to keep. If he moves back, you two can decide to try dating again and see where things go from

there. You both have many years ahead of you and the opportunity to meet many new people in that time. You both might find it difficult to stay committed to each other and you might be setting each other up for "cheating" opportunities. Be honest about the reality you're facing and try not to set impossible and unrealistic goals. Start by being friends across the miles and see where the road takes you!

My friend had to put her dog down last week. Her dog meant a lot to her and, knowing this, I've made an effort not to talk about the dog or anything related to him. Well, the other day, I heard her talking to another friend. She said I was being insensitive. I was really confused - I've been treating her the same (I never talked about her dog before) and I even gave her my sympathy. I think she might be too sensitive and I'm upset that she talked about me behind my back. What should I do?

**Lost Puppy Love
Garden City**

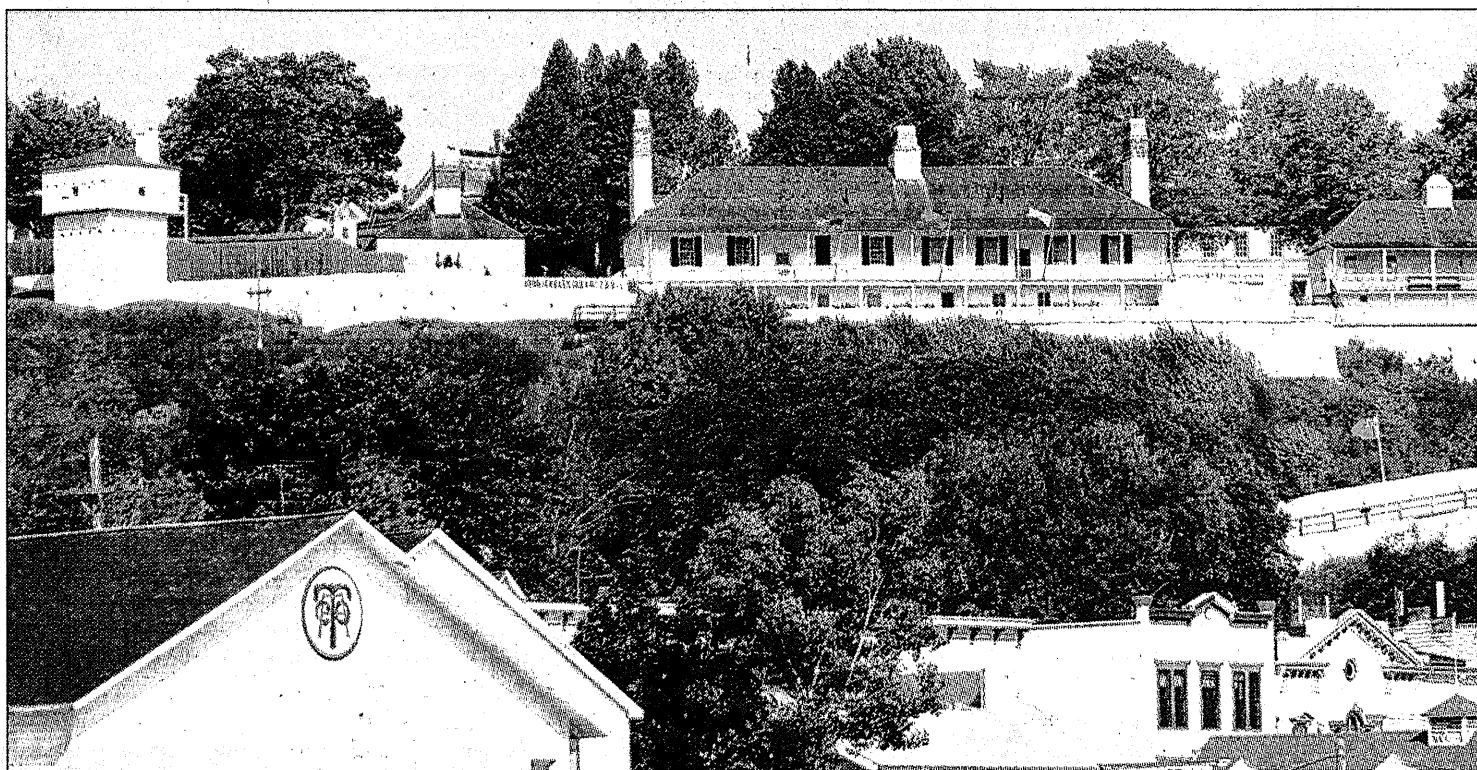
It sounds like you may have hurt your friend's feelings even though you were trying to do the right thing. Sometimes, people do want to talk about how they feel after losing something or someone so important to them. Your friend probably doesn't realize that you were actually trying to help by not bringing up painful memories. As for talking about you behind your back, I think she was feeling very confused about what she thought was insensitive behavior on your part. I encourage you to talk to her and explain that you were just trying to save her from painful memories and that you didn't mean to be insensitive. Let her know that you'll always listen if she ever wants to talk about her feelings and about the loss of her dog.

I have a problem about a friend with a problem. My friend's problem has to do with food - he's addicted. And my problem with that is that he steals all of my food! Every time I see him, he's scarfing down a cheeseburger. What do I do?

**Starving
Garden City**

It sounds like there are two issues going on ... your concern for your friend's eating habits and your anger about your friend stealing your food. First, tell your friend to keep his hands off of your food. If he's stealing your lunch food, tell him that he can't eat your lunch anymore. Let him know that you feel angry when he helps himself to your lunch. Second, you can help your friend by letting him know that you are concerned that his eating habits aren't healthy ones. Ask him if there's something else going on that he'd like to talk about. Lots of times, people use food as a way of feeling better when they are under stress or feeling depressed. Invite him to shoot hoops with you or challenge him at a round of Guitar Hero ... exercise and activities not only help keep pounds off, they help us feel less stressed and less depressed. And if his hands are busy playing Guitar Hero, he can't be scarfing down cheeseburgers!

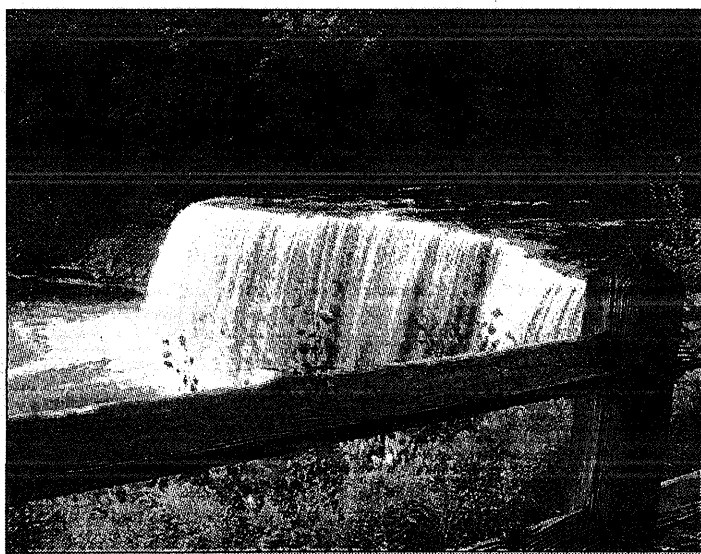
Monica Fulton is the supervisor of the Family Resource Center in Garden City working on youth and family problems. She can be reached by e-mail at monicafulton@sbcglobal.net.



JEFF COUNTS

Fort Mackinac on Mackinac Island was once a key military outpost. Today the fort and island are Michigan's most popular tourist attractions.

Michigan guide highlights state's great outdoors



JEFF COUNTS

The Tahquamenon Falls is a must-see for visitors to Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
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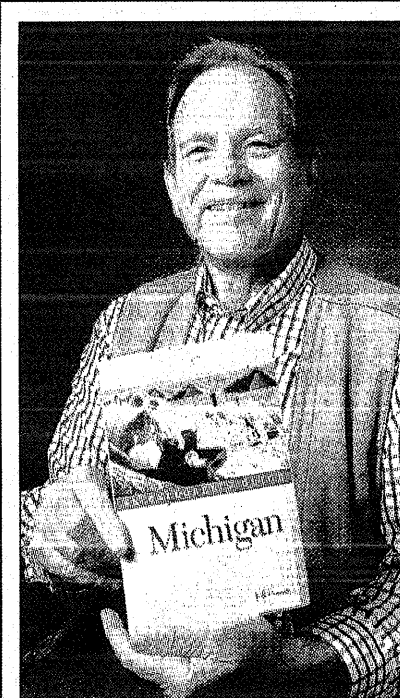
Jeff Counts has explored all the wild areas of Michigan.

The former *Observer* community editor in Plymouth-Canton and Redford is an avid outdoorsman who has found Michigan a perfect place to hunt, fish, hike, canoe and bike. Now he's spreading the word in his first book, *Michigan*, part of the Explorer's Guide series of travel books.

Counts of Livonia originally proposed a book on the Upper Peninsula and learned something about the book proposal process and book marketing.

"You have to do your own marketing research, get online, talk to tourism officials, find out how many people visit

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TOM HOFFMEYER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Jeff Counts has been to every corner of Michigan's two peninsulas to write his new Explorer's Guide Michigan.

ALL ABOUT:

Book: Michigan, An Explorer's Guide
What: A detailed guide to Michigan towns and attractions
Author: Jeff Counts
Publisher: The Countryman Press
Price: \$19.95
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Tin can sailors

Old salts gather for bull session

MICHIGAN BULL SESSION

What: The annual gathering of the Tin Can Sailors

When: Noon registration, 6 p.m. dinner Saturday, July 12

Where: American Legion Post 32, 9318 Newburgh, Livonia

Cost: \$35, includes dinner. Call (734) 425-2590. To register using a credit card, call (877) 846-2267. Deadline for registration is July 5.

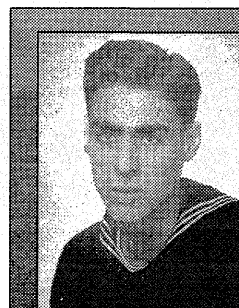
BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Bill Kramer compares serving on a destroyer to being tossed around like a cork in a bathtub. It's a rare experience sailors have shared since the first warship of this nature was built in the late 1800s.

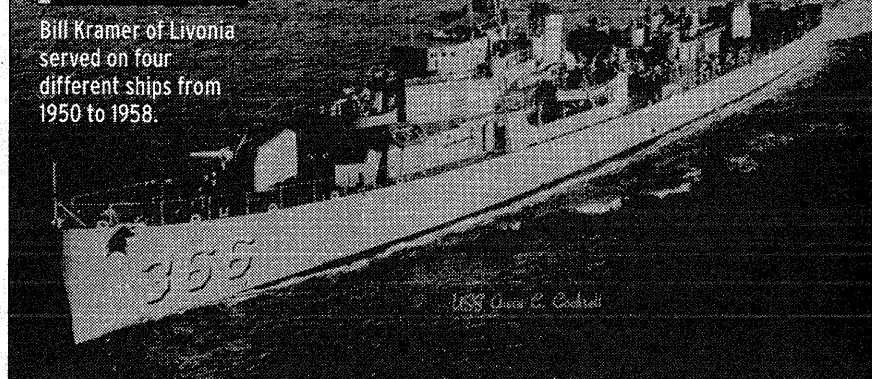
Once a year, Kramer looks forward to hearing the stories of men who sailed aboard these vessels, but first he has to find them. As chairman of the annual Michigan Bull Session of Tin Can Sailors, Kramer is expecting the usual old salts Saturday, July 12, at American Legion Post 32 in Livonia, but would like to see some new faces. The Tin Can Sailors is the National Association of Destroyer Veterans.

Individual states hold the one-day events for all destroyer sailors regardless of when they served or which vessel they were on. Kramer served on four different ships including the U.S.S. Alvin C. Cockrell from 1950 to 1958. During the Korean War from 1950 to 1953 he helped train the Thai Navy. He's already received calls about the

Please see **SAILORS, C4**



Bill Kramer of Livonia served on four different ships from 1950 to 1958.



Bill Kramer served on the U.S.S. Alvin C. Cockrell. He's calling on all sailors to attend the Michigan Bull Session July 12, in Livonia.

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Serious piano students happy to play through summer

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Rie Summers doesn't mind driving all the way from the Lansing area to Schoolcraft College in Livonia. She would do just about anything for her daughter Lisa to study with professor Donald Morelock at the Summer Piano School for students from middle elementary through high school.

Lisa is especially looking forward to attending the Piano Concertos and Chamber Music program July 7-17. The first session, Solo Piano and Piano Duets, takes place June 16-27. Morelock is director of the summer school that offers intense sessions in music theory and history, composition, sightreading, keyboard technique, and master classes.

"Her piano teacher in the Lansing area was recommending Mr. Morelock," said Rie Summers of Mason.

Lisa began studying piano at age 5 and today takes lessons with teacher Gerardo Ascheri. She learned about the Summer Piano School a couple of

SUMMER PIANO SCHOOL

What: Two sessions for piano students in mid-elementary through high school
When: 9 a.m. to noon or 1-4 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 16-27 (Solo Piano and Piano Duets) and July 7-17 (Piano Concertos and Chamber Music Performance) with hours tailored to individual students
Where: Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile, Livonia
Tuition: \$310 per session. To schedule an audition time, call (734) 462-4403

years ago when Morelock judged one of the competitions she entered.

"I liked both sessions last year," said Lisa Summers. "It's been awhile since I was interacting with kids my age who like music. Last summer I starting learning to be more of a performer. Doing competitions and performing is a bit of a different crowd. I've been more conscious of how I present myself. There's a certain way to move." Lisa needs to learn as much as she

can before applying to the University of Michigan School of Music to study for a degree in music performance.

Lisa enters her senior year in high school next fall. She admits she likes playing piano, because she's the center of attention. The Concertos and Chamber Music Performance session gives her the opportunity to rehearse and perform with a professional string ensemble.

"I like performing, people watching me and showing what I can do," said Lisa who recently won a Lansing Matinee Musicale scholarship. "I'm looking to be more comfortable playing with other people. I'm used to being the solo. I need to work with a quartet."

Anne Greenstein and the piano teacher members of the Farmington Musicale can't say enough about the Schoolcraft College summer school. Greenstein is chairwoman of the musicale's summer scholarship program which provides funding for students attending the Schoolcraft sessions as well as an operetta workshop at the Detroit Opera Theater.

The nonprofit musicale provides free monthly music programs from September through June and is affiliated with the Michigan Federation of Music Clubs.

"If we don't help the younger generation there won't be a future in music," said Greenstein of Farmington Hills. "Last year we sponsored three students, this year two students. We also do a citywide music competition for students (and award cash prizes)."

This year Kate Knoth and Zachary Jirik were selected to attend the summer piano school. Knoth is taught by Susan Coseo of Northville, Jirik by Janice Smith of West Bloomfield. Both teachers are members of the Farmington Musicale. To contribute to the scholarship fund, call (248) 626-7768. For more information about the Farmington Musicale or its teachers, visit FarmingtonMusical.com. Parkwest Gallery in Southfield is a major donor for the piano workshop.

Smith, a past musicale president, said last year Jirik attended the workshop and although the first day was somewhat overwhelming, by the end

of the session he was so enthusiastic he did not want the workshop to end. His enthusiasm carried over into his piano studies this year.

"We offer these opportunities based on the child's abilities and a recommendation from one of our club's teachers," said Greenstein. "These are talented students."

In addition to registering students for the summer school, the Schoolcraft College music department is signing up young pianists for the fall semester for its' Piano Academy. The Elementary Division offers students in grades 1-4 a one-hour group lesson and a half-hour private lesson once a week. Intermediate Division students in grades 4 and above receive a 45-minute private lesson every week and a monthly master class with Donald Morelock, chairman of the college's music department.

For more information or an interview, call (734) 462-4403. An audition is necessary to enter the Intermediate Division of the Piano Academy.

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and Gel Monotypes. New is The Warm Glow of Reflected Light, two all-day sessions in August with Gwen Tomkow.

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UPDATE ON OSTEOPOROSIS

Osteoporosis is the name given to fragile bones. This fragility often occurs in women after menopause when the decrease in estrogen production causes a loss of bone density and strength. A similar process of bone fragility often develops in men at a later age and is related to loss of androgen production.

DEXA imaging is the most common way of assessing bone loss. The DEXA scan evaluates the lumbar spine and both hips and generates a series of scores that a physician uses to determine if your bones have developed osteoporosis.

Technicians can perform another test, the vertebral fracture assessment. The vertebral fracture examination uncovers unsuspected vertebral bone fractures due to bone fragility.

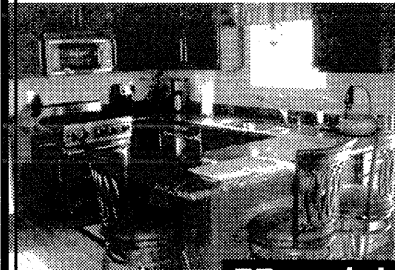
Experience shows that at times, the DEXA test fails to show osteoporosis, but the vertebral fracture assessment imaging reveals a fragility fracture has occurred. In such instances, the vertebral fracture assessment finding overrules the DEXA results; then you should receive treatment appropriate for osteoporosis.

When your doctor orders a DEXA examination, it is in your best interest to inquire if, at the same time, you can have a vertebral fracture assessment. The results of both examinations will give clearer answers about the question if you have osteoporosis than could either test alone.

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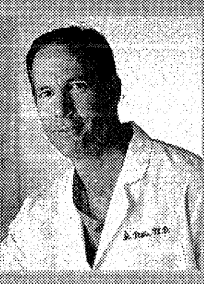


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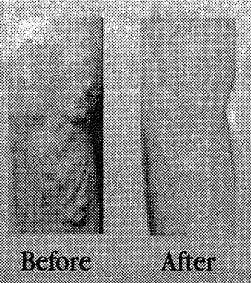
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GUIDE

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and what's the potential market for the book," he said.

In the end, the publisher wanted a book that covered the whole state, including Detroit and other urban areas.

The Explorer's Guide publisher asks their writers to veer away from chain lodgings, restaurants and stores to find the unique and local. They pay all expenses, writers are not allowed to take complimentary meals, admissions or lodging.

But Counts wasn't sure Michigan fit the "New England" model of other Explorer books.

"You can't swing a dead cat in New England without hitting a bed and breakfast or a cute little inn or quaint country store," he said.

DIFFERENT LURE

While Michigan has its share of B&Bs and quaint stores, it also has towns where the only place to shop is an IGA and the only places to stay are roadside cabins.

Hunting, fishing and boat-

ing used to be the major lures for visitors from outside the state, but Counts says that times have changed.

"Hunting and fishing are down, but even hunting and fishing have changed," he said. "More couples are involved. Hunting and fishing used to be Bud and Fred in a bass boat and how much you could fill your freezer or did you get five deer this year. There is still some of that, but now people are traveling for a lesser amount of time but for a better experience."

Counts said a Michigan traveler can be fishing a trout stream one day and attending a wine tasting in Traverse City the next. The state has hip urban communities, pristine beaches, bike trails, vast forests and legendary trout streams.

The book is organized geographically to include every section of the state with interesting facts, places to stay, places to eat for fine dining and casual lunches, recreation opportunities, cultural and entertainment venues, museums and more. In addition to gathering the information and

providing lively commentary, Counts also took the numerous black and white photos. The book also includes maps for each section of the state.

WANDERING AROUND

Counts, publisher of the outdoor magazine *Streamside Journal*, has some strong opinions about different parts of the state that he admits don't fit with the views of others.

"My favorites are not the favorites in the book," he said. "My favorites are the quirky places. The publisher lets you be honest."

He says that Traverse City, the urban center of Up North Michigan, is "overrated," but he enjoys the quieter, nearby Lake Michigan towns of Ludington, Manistee and Frankfort. And he loves the UP and devotes a large section to Michigan's rich wilderness land from Grand Marais to the Keweenaw.

Counts said it is the vast amount of public land that makes the UP so special.

"In the UP we have thousands and thousands of acres," he said. "Nobody around,

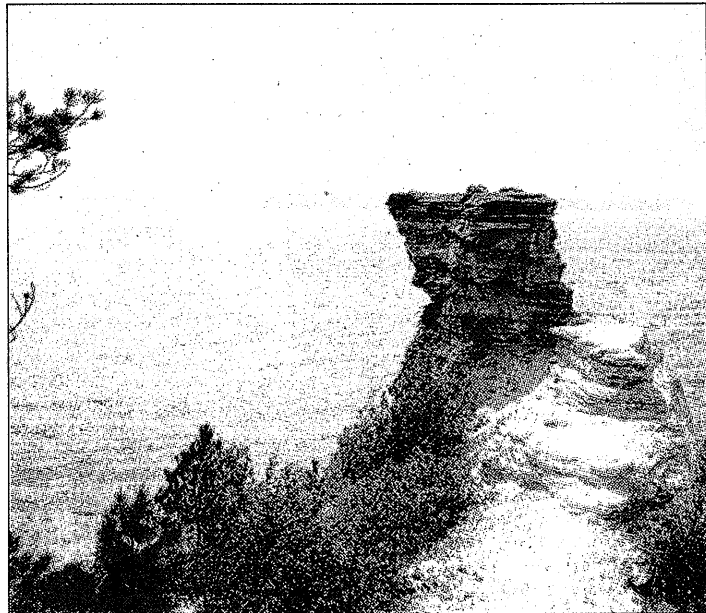
the towns are cheap, rent a hotel room or camp. You can bird watch or canoe or camp, mountain bike all over the place. It's that old 19th century thing where you can wander. That's been lost in modern day society."

Counts says the state government hasn't been doing a good enough job promoting the state's recreational resources to other parts of the country and he thinks his book might help spread the word about our special place.

"This is a good book to give to any prospective employer because employers are looking for places with a good quality of life," he said.

Counts said he's already started to hear from people about their favorite places that he wasn't able to include.

"I had a 100,000 word limit and at the end I was getting frantic and started to cut," he said.



JEFF COUNTS

Miner's Castle is one of the many striking features along the Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore along Lake Superior in Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

But he's been taking notes for a second edition. The Explorer Guides are updated every couple of years.

Meanwhile, he'll be making

the rounds for book signings in the weeks ahead and planning some other writing projects.

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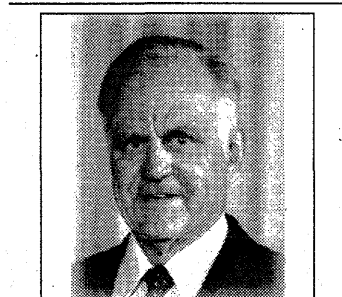


ADELINE CLARK BARNES
Age 81, died at her home in Birmingham, May 30, 2008. Mrs. Barnes was born March 28, 1927, in San Diego, California. She was active in St. James Episcopal Church, Girl Scouts, AAUW, Stoneycroft Hills Club and the Village Club. Adeline is survived by her husband of 57 years, Frank, children, Martha, Webb and Jane and grandchildren, Joshua and Alessa. Memorial service at St. James Episcopal Church, 355 W. Maple Road, Birmingham, Saturday, June 14th at 11am. Memorials appreciated to St. James Friends of Music, 355 W. Maple Road, Birmingham, 48009. Arrangements entrusted to: Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors 248-435-0660



JOSEPHINE DUNCHOCK
Age 92 of Bloomfield Hills, formerly of Detroit and Hamburg, Michigan, died June 3, 2008, at Clarkston Specialty Health Care Center. Mrs. Dunchock was born February 20, 1916, in Sioux City, Iowa. She was a graduate of South Eastern High School and prior to her marriage to Nicholas Dunchock, she attended Del Mar Beauty School in Detroit and became a licensed beautician. Mrs. Dunchock retired from her active work as a beautician to raise her family. She enjoyed her activity and association with the Our Shepherd Lutheran Church community. Mrs. Dunchock is survived by her daughter, Geraldine Joan (William) Vetter, son, Arnold (Dianne) Dunchock, grandchildren, Dana, Marcia, and Kellie and great-grandchildren, Samantha, Sydney, Tyler, Trevor and Jeri. She is also survived by her sister, Sophie Richards, a niece and nephews. Mrs. Dunchock is preceded in death by her husband, Nicholas. Funeral services were held Saturday at Our Shepherd Lutheran Church, Birmingham. Interment in White Chapel Cemetery, Troy. Memorials appreciated to Our Shepherd Lutheran Church Endowment Fund, 2225 E. Fourteen Mile Road, Birmingham, Michigan 48009. Arrangements entrusted to: Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors 248-435-0660

CAROLYN B. PECK
Age 82, June 5, 2008. Beloved wife of the late Roger Peck. Loving mother of Sharon (Glen) Holmes, Bill (Mary) Peck, Linda Peck-Farley, Debra (Steve) Brock, Bob (Laurie) Peck, and Carolyn (John) Thiele. Cherished grandmother of Joe, Jason, Nathaniel, Sarah, Melissa, Leah, Jonathan, Kyle, Ian, and Randi. Great-grandmother of Jacob, Ashley, Nicholas, and Melanie. Dear sister of Louise Galloway. Graveside Services were held Friday at Oakwood Cemetery, Farmington. Memorial Contributions may be made to the Michigan Humane Society. Arrangements entrusted to THAYER-ROCK FUNERAL HOME, Farmington. www.thayer-rock.com



EARL C. OPPERTHAUSSER
Age 83. Resident and former Mayor of Farmington Hills, passed away after a long battle with cancer June 3, 2008. Beloved husband of Ann, father of Denise (Michael), Kathy, Steve and Scott (Sheryl). Grandfather of Jason, Joe, Christina, Charles, Chloe, Megan, Brandon, Alex and Heather. Earl was a WWII veteran and earned his law degree after an honorable discharge in 1944. He became involved in his local community serving on the planning commission, drain commission, township board of trustees and two terms as Mayor of Farmington Hills. Services held at Heeney Sundquist Funeral home in Farmington.

ELIZABETH (Betsy) BENTLEY
Age 67; of Rochester, MI; died May 28, 2008. Betsy was a 1959 graduate of Rochester High School and 27-year employee of Rochester Public Schools. She is survived by her mother, Elizabeth Cook, brother, Rev. Robert Cook, Jr., three children, Mark Bentley, Debbie Melekian, Amy Reilly and 4 grandchildren. Memorials gifts requested to Rochester Public Schools, Special Education Program or Old Village School, Northville, MI.

NANCY J. DAUGHERTY
Age 73, of Diamondale, formerly of Plymouth and Livingston County. Mrs. Daugherty passed away on Tuesday in Lansing, following a brief illness. She was born June 2, 1935 in Whitmore Lake, MI, the daughter of Stewart and Virginia (Keebler) Stoll. She married Floyd Daugherty and he preceded her in death in 2002, she was also preceded in death by one son, Ronald in 1978. Nancy moved to Diamondale from the Plymouth area in 2004. Prior to her retirement she had been employed as a press operator with Vica Products in Plymouth for over 30 years. Surviving is one daughter, Debbie (John) Conrad of Charlotte, three sons, Floyd (Debbie) Daugherty of Ohio, Richard Daugherty of Michigan, and Mike (Chris) Daugherty of Twining. Also nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren and two sisters, Joyce and Bobbi and two brothers, Jerry and Jim. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 5, 2008 in Brighton and burial followed at Washtenong Memorial Park in Ann Arbor.

MAUREN A. GALEA
June 5, 2008, age 77. Beloved wife of the late Charles. Dear mother of Timothy (Nancy), Ann Moore, Patricia (Gary) Glass, Catherine (Barry) White and Carolyn (Michael) Chico. Also leaves nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Sister of Genie (Gerry) Nehs, Linda Norton and the late Patricia Sanford. Services were held Saturday at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home of Plymouth. Share your special thoughts and memories at: schrader-howell.com

NORMAN OSCAR NORGREN (Norm)
Howell, MI, age 63, passed away on June 4, 2008 at home with his wife and sister by his side. Norm was born in Pontiac, MI on November 8, 1944 to Oscar and Agnes (Nampa) Norgren. He graduated with a Bachelor's Degree from Central Michigan University and earned a Master's Degree from Eastern Michigan University. Norm started his teaching career for one year in Shepherd Public Schools. He worked for the Novi Community School District in the junior high and high school for 41 years as a world history teacher, auditorium manager, boys/girls cross country coach, and "Jack-of-all-Trades". He is survived by his wife, Sheila; his sons, Timothy and Andrew; sister, Jane (Mike) McKie; and grandsons, Gideon and Lincoln. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, June 14, at 11:00 am at the Borek Jennings Funeral Home in Howell. The family will receive friends beginning at 10:00 am. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Novi Educational Foundation for the Norman Norgren Memorial Scholarship, 25345 Taft Rd., Novi, MI, 48374.

May You Find Comfort in Family & Friends

THOMAS PERRY WARD
Age 82, died June 3, 2008 peacefully in his sleep. A 1943 WWII Veteran, served as a Flight Engineer and Army Air Corp who fought in Normandy, North France, Central Germany and Korea. Beloved husband of Mary Ann Ward for 37 years. Loving father of May and Jimmy Williams, Uncle of many nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews. Predeceased by his parents William and Lula Ward, as well as his four sisters, Frieda W. Bailey, Ida L. Cappello, Ruth Davidson, and Eleanor Nichols. Services were held at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home 34567 Michigan Ave., Wayne, MI. Condolences and/or contributions may be made to the family via the funeral home. Please make any contributions payable to Mary Ann Ward.

R. ERIC STANLEY
Age 72, June 2, 2008. Beloved husband of Joan. Loving father of Marc (Cynthia), Peter (Dominika) and Richard (Jill). Cherished grandfather of Sara, Anna, Karl, Gareth, Kira, Caitlyn and Evan. Loving son of the late Stanley E. and Mary Stanley. Dear brother-in-law of the late James H. Allen. Eric served in the U.S. Coast Guard. He retired from Ford Motor Company and was a Past President of the Kiwanis Club of Dearborn. A memorial service will be held at First Presbyterian Church (701 Church Street, Plymouth, MI 48170), Saturday, June 14th at 10:00 a.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the Salvation Army (16130 Northland Dr., Southfield, MI 48075-9522) and to the Dearborn Kiwanis Foundation: Eric Stanley Memorial Fund (22211 W. Warren, Dearborn Heights, MI 48127).

MRS. SUZANNE EVA (Volgyesi) HAGEMAN
April 5, 1936, Bupapest - June 4, 2008, Toledo

Mrs. Suzanne Hageman of Toledo, OH passed away Wednesday, June 4, 2008 at Hospice of Northwest Ohio. She was born in Budapest, Hungary on April 5, 1936 to Dr. and Mrs. Ferenc (Magda Tausik) Volgyesi. She emigrated to the USA in August 1959 to New Haven, CT. In 1962 she graduated with a BS in Medical Technology from the Quinnipiac and took a position in the Clinical Microscopy laboratory at Yale. She met her former husband, John H. Hageman at the Yale School of Medicine. They were married on June 2, 1962 at the Dwight Memorial Chapel by the Rev. William Sloane Coffin. They were blessed with four daughters: Margaret, Martha, Diane, and Kimberly. The family moved to Detroit, MI in July, 1967. Suzanne cared for her family with love and devotion. The family moved to Toledo in 1985. Suzanne completed a Bachelor of Science in Nursing in 1990 at the University of Toledo - Medical College of Ohio Consortium. Until 2001, Suzanne worked in several Toledo area nursing homes as an RN. Mrs. Hageman's life focus has always been her education, her career, and her family. She is survived by her former husband John Hageman; daughters, Margaret (Ed) Petrovich, Martha (Don Kirk) Hageman, Diane (Rick) Wickliff and Kim (Dave Felcan) Hageman; eight grandchildren; sister, Vera Ferenczi; sisters-in-law, Elizabeth Volgyesi, Diane Volgyesi, Nancy Ullom and brother-in-law, James Ullom; nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grandnephews and cousins. Visitation will be held on Monday, June 9, from 12 noon until 2:00 PM at Epworth United Methodist Church, 3077 Valleyview Dr., Sylvania, OH, with funeral services starting at 2:00 PM. Interment will be at the Reformed Dutch Church Cemetery of Claverack, New York. Memorial contributions may be made to Myelodysplasia International Foundation, P.O. Box 310, Churchton, MD 20733. Arrangements by the Walker Funeral Home, 5155 Sylvania Ave. Toledo, OH. 43623 (419)-841-2422. Condolences may be sent to the family at: www.walkerfuneralhomes.com

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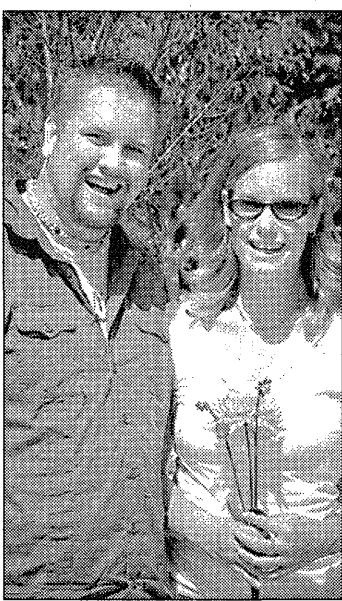
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Dowedite-Ripley
Joyce Dowedite of Livonia announces the engagement of her daughter, Kristin Michelle Dowedite, to David Jeffrey Ripley, son of John and Kathy Nibelink of Grand Rapids and Jeff and Teres Ripley of Sparta. The bride-to-be graduated from Livonia Churchill High School in 2000 and received a bachelor's degree in elementary education and theater from Hope College in 2004. She is enrolled in a masters' program at Grand Valley State University and is employed as a middle school teacher in Rockford. The future groom is a 2003 graduate of Forest Hills Northern High School. He is currently enrolled at Cornerstone University studying business management. He is currently working for Perkins Restaurant and Fredrick Meijer Gardens. A July wedding is planned for Holland, Mich.

WEDDING

Benson-Stone
Barrie Elizabeth Benson and Paul Edward Xavier Stone were united in marriage Sept. 22, 2007, at Good Shepherd Episcopal Church in Lexington, Ky. The Rev. Robert L. Sessum officiated. The bride is the daughter of John K. and Judy B. Benson of Lexington, Ky. The groom is the son of Roger L. and Pamela T. Stone of Canton. Jessica Baldwin of Charleston, S.C., friend of the bride, served as maid of honor. The bride's honor attendants were Ruth Wilson, Amy Graves and Lindsay Bouchard, all friends of the bride; and Erik Benson, brother of the bride. The reader was Jan Gardner, aunt of the bride. Kevin Stone of Farmington, brother of the groom, served as best man. The groomsmen were Tomi Saveski and Joe Rork, fraternity brothers of the groom; Tate Dobbs and Trent Dobbs, friends of the groom. The ushers were Kislaya Sinha, Rich Firth and Ryan Miller. A reception was held at the Bodley-Bullock House. The bride is a graduate of Henry Clay High School in Lexington, the College of



Charleston in Charleston, S.C. and received a master's in business administration from Clemson University. She is employed by Sealed Air Corp., Cryovac Division, in Duncan, S.C. in new business development. The groom is a graduate of Traverse City High School, the University of Michigan and received a master of business administration degree from Clemson University. He is vice president of Acquisitions for TIC Properties in Greenville, S.C. The couple honeymooned in the Mediterranean. They reside in Greenville, S.C.

ANNIVERSARY

Suchners celebrate 60th
Bill and Shirley Suchner of Westland are celebrating their 60th anniversary. The Suchners were married June 5, 1948, in Detroit. They have two sons, Bill Suchner of South Lyon and Tom Suchner of Kagel Canyon, Calif. The Suchners live in Westland during the summer and Nalcrest, Fla., during the



winter. They have traveled extensively during their married life and continue to have an active lifestyle.

SAILORS

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event from as far away as West Branch, Indiana and Ohio. "We're looking for any Navy or Coast Guard who served aboard tin cans. In the old days that only covered the destroyer then they built the destroyer escort," said Kramer, 75, of Livonia. "The destroyer is a tin can, it's how you're bounced around. More guys serve on destroyers than anything else, but it's for any sailor that served aboard a destroyer, destroyer escort, APD ship which hauls the frog man, or fast frigate which is taking the place of the destroyer. The Bull Session we get together for the camaraderie, yak away, tell sea stories. We sell merchandise too, shirts and jackets with Navy insignias and children's stuff, belt buckles and rank insignias." Kramer delights in spouting off in sea terminology saying a bubblehead is a submariner, snipes an engineer and the poop deck is as far forward as a sailor can go on a ship. It's apparent that Kramer, who was a deputy sheriff for Wayne County for 25 years, never lost his love for destroyers. He belongs to seven Navy-related organizations and twice a year works on a museum ship in Albany, N.Y. The U.S.S. Slater was built in 1943 and is one of seven museum ships around the country which are supported by Tin Can Sailors. Bill Biggerstaff attended his first Bull Session 20 years ago in Jackson. The 84-year-

old Wayne man served during World War II on convoy duty with the Reuben James which was sunk by torpedo off of western Iceland in October 1940. The Sturtevant DD 240 was later sunk in April 1942 off Marquesas Key, Fla., but he survived to spend the next 30 years as a Wayne police officer. Biggerstaff served a total of 42 years in the Navy and reserves as a chief torpedo man. "When the war started all the merchant ships were taking cargo to Europe. The Sturtevant had sonar for submarines so they could drop depth charges on enemy submarines," said Biggerstaff. "There were 60 ships in the convoys. Some had big bombers strapped on the ship. We were taking everything we could to England. They weren't doing too good. They were losing the war and we were in the North Atlantic taking convoys across. This was before Pearl Harbor and German U boats and Hitler sent the Bismarck. "When you think of most of the ships in the Navy, you think of big battleships, but then they started building destroyers, but they're small and they started calling them tin cans even though you're 300 feet long." Biggerstaff likes telling and listening to stories, that's why he's attended not only Michigan Bull Sessions but events in San Diego, Denver and New York. "You meet different people. Once a year they hold the national this year in August in Pittsburgh. You meet a lot of sailors but they're fading

away. They're dying away," said Biggerstaff. "I like the Navy people and they're all old timers like me, but Tin Can a lot of younger guys go to it." Ted King won't be attending the bull session because of his emphysema but enjoys talking about his Navy days as well. When he was younger, the 86-year-old Alpena man served in World War II with Biggerstaff. He remembers the day the U.S.S. Sturtevant was sunk, April 26, 1942. He'd been on the boat 13 months to the day. "There were a lot of German subs in the gulf (off Florida)," said King. "The month of April '42 merchant ships were sunk and the beaches were covered with oil. Miami Beach was nothing but oil." Donald Smith is one of the younger Tin Can Sailors who likes listening to the stories of old salts like King. Smith served from 1960 to 1963 on a destroyer tender, a repair ship, and then a destroyer, the U.S.S. Turner, an escort ship to aircraft ships which is used for close in combat where other ships can't go and for anti-submarine warfare. He's been to the bull sessions four times. He sailed all over the Atlantic, Mediterranean and Caribbean. "It's interesting to talk to people on different ships and different times," said Smith of South Lyon. "Sailors from the late 1930s to early 2000s attend. Some were in the Second World War, Korean War, at Vietnam or around Vietnam."

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REUNIONS

Berkley High School Class of 1958
Planning a 50th Reunion, Sept 19-21, 2008. All members of January 1958, June 1958 and January 1959 are invited. At Somerset Inn, 2601 West Big Beaver Road, Troy. Events include: a Friday evening hospitality party, Saturday afternoon tour of BHS and lunch, dinner Party at the hotel on Saturday evening and brunch at hotel Sunday morning followed by a golf outing. Contact: csing-erbhs58reunion.org for access to the web site: www.bhs58reunion.org or call Jackie Yorgen Castine, (248) 332-5984.

Bishop Borgess High School Classes of 1970, '71, '72, '73 and 1974
A combined reunion. Oct. 4, 2008, Hellenic Cultural Center, \$60. Dinner Buffet, Open Bar, Midnight Snacks and Music. No ticket sales at the door. Contact 248-442-0946 or bbhsfirstfive.com

Brighton High School Class of 1989
Planning our 20th reunion and searching for classmates. Please sign up at

"yahoo groups- brighton high school class of 1989" to get more information.

Clarenceville High School Class of 1988
A reunion is being planned for the summer of 2008. Trying to reach as many classmates as possible. Send contact information to Dale Weighill at resource@gfn.org.

Crestwood High School Class of 1968
A 40th class reunion Oct. 4, 2008. For information, contact Gail Goodall Welch, (313) 937-3477 or e-mail CHS1968Sec@yahoo.com.

Dearborn High School Class of 1963
A 45-year reunion planned Aug. 1, 2008. Father Patrick O'Kelly Hall, Dearborn. Contact Betsy Cushman at (313) 565-5972 or ecushman@comcast.net.

Dearborn Edsel Ford Classes of 1958
The 1958 January and June Classes of Dearborn and Edsel Ford High Schools are having a combined 50-Year Reunion on Saturday Aug. 2, 2008, at the Dearborn Country Club. Judy Richards-Goerke at (313) 562-9031, judygoerke@yahoo.com or Shirley Chiado Peters at (248) 348-9443, Shirley.peters@villageford.net may be contacted for further information.

Dearborn Edsel Ford January Class of 1958
A 50th reunion will be held Oct. 3 at the Dearborn Inn. Note the October date and location for the January class reunion. Call Nancy at (248) 851-5257 or Pat at (734) 427-0256 for further information.

Dearborn Edsel Ford Class of 1968
A 40-year reunion Aug. 2, 2008, at Patrick O'Kelly Knights of Columbus in Dearborn. For more information, contact Janet Wszola Robbins at (313) 277-1418 or Susan Taylor Szalony at (248) 348-6692.

Dearborn Fordson Class of 1969
Planning a reunion. Please contact Kathy Nisun at (248) 363-5679 or e-mail: kaynilitu@aol.com or Kathy Shoebridge @ klivingston@nu-core.com.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

AROUND TOWN

Band reunion barbecue
The Plymouth-Canton Marching Band and Music Boosters are hosting the "PCMB All Decades Alumni Reunion Picnic & BBQ" for current student members and parents, alumni, staff, former boosters, etc., Saturday, June 21, at Canton's Summit on the Park Amphitheatre in Heritage Park. Any student or parent who has participated in the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park music programs or marched with the award-winning Plymouth-Canton Marching Band, is invited to attend the weekend event. Registration is required. The picnic and barbecue is scheduled noon to 9 p.m. Saturday, June 21. A golf outing is also being planned for Sunday, June 22. Registration for the picnic is required. For more information and to register, visit www.pcmb.net and click on the alumni picnic link. For more information, call Chris Hensel, Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters Alumni Rep, (313) 268-2098 or e-mail alumni BBQ coordinators Lee Bonner at bonner_lee@yahoo.com or Bryan Thomas at bryan.thomas91@yahoo.com

HVA 911 camps
Huron Valley Ambulance conducts its free two-day annual Camp 9-1-1 day camps for 8- to 12-year-olds at two locations in western Wayne County, where space has been donated. All camps are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. both days. The camp is scheduled July 17-18 at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, in Plymouth, and July 10-11 at the Michigan Boathouse at Belleville Lake, 50745 Van Buren Park in Belleville. The day camp's activities include touring an ambulance, learning CPR, and visiting a local emergency room. HVA Paramedics and EMTs serve as "camp counselors," teaching campers about safety at home and at play, how to perform lifesaving skills on injured victims, and all about Emergency Services careers. Registration is first-come, first-served and enrollment is limited to 30 participants. There are limited spaces available. For a registration form or more information, call Jason Trojan, Camp 9-1-1 Coordinator, at (734) 477-6781 or

e-mail him at jtrojan@hva.org

Girl Scout camp
Space is still available in day camp or overnight camp for girls ages 5-17 at Camp Linden, the premier camp property of Girl Scouts of the Huron Valley Council. Girl Scouts of the Huron Valley Council has a variety of exciting programs at Camp Linden, 400 minimally developed acres of woodland in northern Livingston County. Kayaking, swimming, exploring nature, sports, horseback riding and arts and crafts - all these experiences and more await girls at Camp Linden this summer. All girls can attend, whether they have been Girl Scouts or not. To enroll your daughter today, call 1-800-49-SCOUT.

Veterans benefit
A "Tribute to Dean Martin and Steve London" with music by Sweet Tracks will be presented 6-10 p.m. Friday, June 13, at AMVETS Post 171, 1217 Merriman, Westland. Cocktails will be served 6 p.m. followed by dinner at 7 p.m. and the show 8-10 p.m. There also will be an open bar 6-11 p.m. Only 140 tickets to be sold. They cost \$25 each and are available in the post lounge. The money raised will benefit homeless and hospitalized veterans. For more information, call (734) 721-9440.

Learn to go Beyond War
The Livonia-based Citizens for Peace, which covers the entire 11th District, invites residents the chance to join in study-discussion groups on the topic, Beyond War, during its June and July meetings. Using a study guide, the topic will be discussed in four group sessions each meeting. The June meeting will include social change; how to talk to people who think war is a good idea or inevitable; war is obsolete; and the concept that we all live on one planet. In July, the topics focus on alternatives to war, such as nonviolent conflict resolution processes and appropriate humanitarian foreign aid; international law and cooperation between nations; practical experience about what people and nations can do instead of war; and applying effective advocacy. Citizens for Peace meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month at Unity of Livonia, located on Five Mile road between Middlebelt and Inkster roads. A small donation is



Happy 90th
Dorothea Ross celebrates her 90th birthday today (Sunday). She was born June 8, 1918 in Winnipeg, Canada. She later moved to the United States in 1951 where she resides today in Plymouth. Dorothea is the mother of son Wilfred (Phylis) Sycamore and daughters Donna Sycamore and Janet (Edward) Newman. She has nine grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren. Dorothea's 90th birthday celebration included a coffee hour at her residence, Tonquish Creek in Plymouth, June 4 and a five-generation family party scheduled for July 5 in Brooklyn, Mich.

requested for the use of the church facilities. For details, contact Colleen Mills at 734-425-0079.

Academic Pathways enrollment
Academic Pathways Cooperative Preschool, located at 30330 Schoolcraft in Livonia is currently enrolling for the 2008-2009 school year. Morning class sessions for 3- and 4-year-olds are available. Potty training is not required. Four-year-old class runs 9:30-11:30 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday; three-year-old class runs 9:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday. More information can be found at the school's Web site www.academicpathwayspreschool.com or call (734) 261-9540.

Gardeners meet
The Gardeners of Northville and Novi meet the second Tuesday of the

month September through May at 6:30 p.m. Locations rotate between Novi Civic Center and the Northville Library. Visitors are welcome. For more information, call (248) 231-2334 or visit our Web site www.gardeners-northville-novi.org

Heartland Hospice
Heartland Hospice, located in Southfield and serving the tri-county area, is looking for caring and compassionate individuals to register for volunteer training. Evening and daytime classes are available for anyone interested in being a support person for clients and their families during their end-of-life journey. Office support is also needed. To register, call Mary, (800) 770-9859.

Card party/luncheon
Victoria Chapter #290, OES, Livonia Masonic Temple hosts a card party/luncheon noon to 3 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month. Admission is \$6; event features table prizes and door prizes. The temple is located at 27705 W. Seven Mile in Livonia. For more information, call (734) 459-6063.

Hospice training
Heartland Hospice is looking for caring and dedicated people with an interest in serving terminally ill patients and their families in Washtenaw, western Wayne, Monroe and Livingston counties. Volunteers provide a variety of services including companionship, light housekeeping, errand running, grief support and clerical services. For more information, contact volunteer coordinator Candice Jones, (888) 973-1145.

Literacy Council tutors
The Community Literacy Council (CLC) is looking for volunteer tutors in Western Wayne County to help adults improve their reading, writing and communication skills. The CLC will provide training to interested volunteers. Previous experience or a bachelor's degree is not required. The council will provide free training and materials, and then match you with an adult student in your area. Call (734) 416-4906 for more information.

Toastmasters meet

Do you have a fear of public speaking? Do you need to do presentations at work and don't know where to start? Or are you terrified of the thought of standing in front of a group of people to present that report? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, then Toastmasters is for you! Canton Communicators Club meets every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at the Canton Coney Island on Lilley, just south of Joy, in the Golden Gate Plaza. For additional information, contact Bonnie at (734) 646-2237.

Grief support
New Hope Center for Grief Support is a Christian-based bereavement outreach and resource center located in Northville. Age appropriate groups for widows and widowers are provided in various locations in southeastern Michigan including groups for young widows and widowers and their children between the ages of 4 through the teen years. Groups for parents who have lost a child, adults who have lost a parent, pet loss, and other specialized groups are offered at various times of the year. All services for adults and children are offered

at no cost to the participants. If you are grieving or know someone who is, please call the office at (248) 348-0115 for further information about services provided by New Hope Center for Grief Support, or visit www.newhopecenter.net.

Post Polio Clinic
Easily fatigued? New, inexplicable physical complaints? History of paralytic or non-paralytic polio? Contact the Post Polio Clinic, 13850 E. 12 Mile, Warren, or call (586) 778-4505. The clinic sponsors support group meetings the fourth Saturday of every month (March through October) at 4328 Livernois in Troy. For more information you can also call (734) 765-8384.

CLUBS

Rotary A.M.
The Plymouth Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M. meets at 7 a.m. every Tuesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. New members are always welcome. Contact Beth Stewart, president, Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M., by calling (734) 420-4094.

PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for **District-Wide Elevator Maintenance**. Specifications and bid forms are available by contacting Dan Phillips in the PCCS Purchasing Department at (734) 416-2746 or for Technical questions please contact Tom Seales of the PCCS Maintenance Department at (734) 416-2960. Sealed bids are due to the E.J McClendon Educational Center, RE: Elevator Maintenance Bid, 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170 on or before 11:00 a.m., Monday, June 16, 2008. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

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PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY PUBLIC NOTICE

The Plymouth District Library Board will hold its REGULAR June meeting Tuesday, June 17, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. at 223 S. Main Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170.

The Plymouth District Library will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tape of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon seven (7) days notice to the Plymouth District Library. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Plymouth District Library by writing or calling the following:

Barbara Kraft, Library Secretary
Plymouth District Library
223 S. Main Street
Plymouth, MI 48170
734-453-0750
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JOHN C. URQUHART, Attorney, 425 City Center Building, Ann Arbor, MI 48104

STATE OF MICHIGAN, PROBATE COURT, Dated May 28, 2008.

PUBLICATION NOTICE
Decedent's Estate

Estate of John C. Moorehead, Deceased. Social Security Number: 363-54-1098.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

Your interest in the Estate may be barred or affected by this notice. John C. Moorehead died on November 8, 2007, a resident of the City of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, Michigan. There are no Probate proceedings pending regarding this Estate.

The Estate is being administered by Lillian E. Moorehead and Jean M. Libs, whose address is 2619 Essex, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104. Lillian E. Moorehead and Jean M. Libs are Successor Co-Trustees of the John C. Moorehead Revocable Trust Under Agreement dated January 17, 1991, as amended.

Creditor of the deceased are notified that all claims against the Estate will be forever barred unless presented to Lillian E. Moorehead, Successor Trustee, within four (4) months of the date of publication of this notice. Notice is further given that the Estate consisting of the residue of said Trust will then be assigned to the persons entitled thereto in accordance with the terms of said Trust.

Personal Representatives: Lillian E. Moorehead and Jean M. Libs, 2619 Essex, Ann Arbor, MI 48104. Telephone No.: (734) 677-3813

Attorney: JOHN C. URQUHART, P-53749, 425 City Center Building, Ann Arbor, MI 48104. Telephone No.: (734) 769-5700

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PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPT. 734-354-3232

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given that on 06/13/2008, at 10:00 a.m., at Mayflower Auto Transport, 1179 Starkweather, Plymouth, MI 48170, a public auction of the following:

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Help Wanted-General 5000

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Must have experience with CNC Fadal Machining Centers. Mastercam experience a must. Positions available are full-time and long term. Day shift and night shift available. \$20-\$30/hr. based on experience. Interested candidates apply within: 1157-A Manufacturers Drive, Westland, MI 48186.

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CUSTODIAN

The Redford Township Library is seeking PT Custodian. Interested applicants see website: www.redfordlibrary.org for details and printable application form. Applications accepted in library or by mail until 5PM Fri., June 20, 2008

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CIRCUMVENTING A NARCISSISTIC BOSS



WORKWISE
by
Mildred L. Culp

You're bound to run into narcissistic bosses at some point in your career, because they gravitate toward leadership. "Most public leaders have a large streak of narcissism in them or I don't think they'd be able to lead," says

psychologist and executive coach Randall White, principal at The Executive Development Group L.L.C., in the Greensboro, N.C., location. "They tend to be perceived as overly ambitious... (with) an 'it's all about me'-quality, becoming extremely harsh with employees."

He maintains that this self-orientation shapes a view of the world that colors everything they do and say. It also sets agenda as theirs alone. Most are task-oriented, "letting the crumbs fall down on employees to make the boss look good," White adds.

David Nour, CEO of BeOne Now Inc., in Atlanta, a coaching firm specializing in relationship economics, points out that narcissists "actually get joy or, perhaps, attention from creating discomfort for others." Also a coach, he believes further that narcissists can be skilled manipulators who think that they can get others to

perform by manipulating them. Unfortunately, sometimes the tactic works.

BEHAVIOR

It's easier to avoid the traps than to get out of them, but you have to learn how to spot them. While you might think that conversation alone -- virtual or face-to-face -- can ensnare you, that's not the case. Bill Krug, associate professor in the Organizational Leadership Department of Purdue University in West Lafayette, Ind., reports that bosses with impossible performance demands might well be narcissists, endlessly "nitpicking, no matter what you bring. They're never satisfied. After the fifth change, you bring your original..." and they accept it.

Krug says to watch the nature of their assignments to you. Meaningless ones, such as personal errands, tasks completely outside of your job description, and burdensome duties requiring "unreasonable hours for your position" suggest that you're their "step 'n fetch it." And that won't change.

Nour observes that the fact that they're narcissistic is evident in the manner in which "they telegraph" it to you. You don't get a critical memo or an invitation to a key meeting until it's too late for you to add it to your schedule. "They use delay tactics," he continues, "blame tactics to intentionally disrupt, cause stress within the team and the organization. They tend to target individuals they're threatened by, such as the high performer who might

outshine them."

GETTING OUT

Fortunately, there are several ways to get out of the trap. Leaving -- getting promoted or completely moving on -- might be an option, if you can get a good recommendation, according to Nour. But there might be compelling personal or professional reasons to keep your job.

In this case, you must come up with something that won't get you fired, because, as Nour emphasizes, "It tends to get worse before it gets better. Narcissistic bosses will not stop." But before you take action, Krug recommends, document incidents, because harassment is a possibility. Then, consider your options:

-- Reconsider. "In this global war for talent, I don't think anyone should have to deal with narcissistic bosses" (Nour).

-- "Learn to expect a temper tantrum and let him do that if you can, but not if you're the only person being belittled in front of others" (Krug).

-- "Realize that this is a learning opportunity for you, if only that you'll never treat people this way." (White)

You have one final option in an individual case, which is to confront the person. White advocates "appealing to the person's potential enlightened self-interest by saying something like 'I can do my best work, I can make you look better.'" In other words, creep, it does you no good to



Psychologist Randall White coaches a colleague about narcissistic bosses. A principal at the Greensboro, N.C., location of The Executive Development Group L.L.C., he offers uncommon insight into handling this troublesome type of boss.

make me feel incompetent, bad or something else, because it will keep me from doing my best job for you.

You'll put the jerk on notice that, as White indicates, you won't "punish yourself for the person's behavior" by quitting. You also won't submit.

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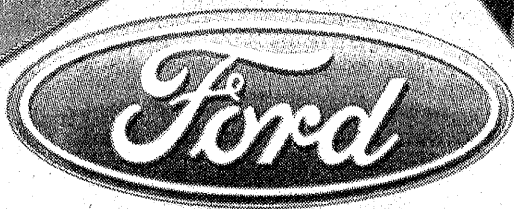
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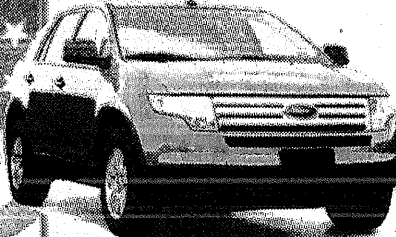


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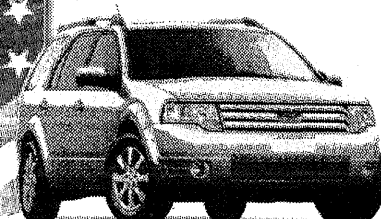


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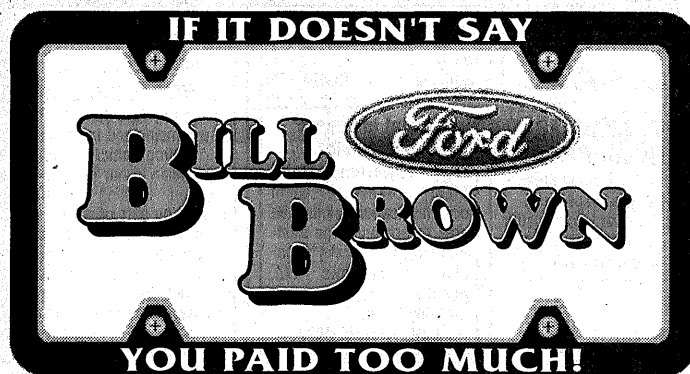
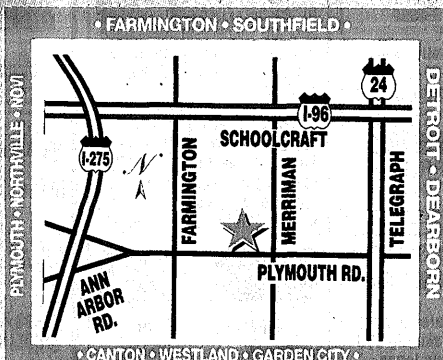
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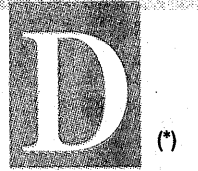
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Advertising Feature

Wow, New Homes With Unbelievable Features Starting In The \$140's

Danny Veri couldn't believe it when he crunched the numbers and saw a family with a household income of about \$40,000 could move into a home in Brookfield Estates.

"This is just and incredible value," said Veri, a partner in Livonia Builders who teamed up with Tim Breault of Breault Homes to build the "neighborhood within a neighborhood" bounded by John Hix and Cherry Hill in Westland.

Brookfield Estates consists of 63 homes with 3 available floor plans starting in the \$140,000's.

"We set out to build affordable housing with exceptional standard features and people are responding. In just over 16 months we have sold over 100 homes in our communities with these features."

The Baymont, a colonial, measures 1250 square feet

and boasts 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, a great room, and a second floor laundry for only \$149,900. You can add a master bath for only \$5000 more.

The Regency is a 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch with a formal dining room, a great room, a first floor laundry, and starts at just \$159,900.

The Brookstone is a 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath open floor plan that is just under 1700 sq. ft. at \$169,900. Each home has an attached 2 car garage and a full basement. The average lot size in Brookfield Estates is 60x120. Larger and wooded lots are available.

Veri said buyers can choose from many different elevations for the colonials.

Buyers will be even more amazed at the homes' affordability when they see the upgrades Livonia Builders and Breault Homes include as standard features.

Guests are welcomed into the foyer by oak floors which are also used in the kitchen and nook. Granite countertops, Merillat cabinets, a designer faucet, and undermount double bowl stainless steel sink comprise just some of the kitchen's amenities.

The cabinetry and faucets are carried into the ceramic-tiled bathrooms with the powder rooms featuring a pedestal sink and oak floors.

12 x 12 Ceramic tile is also used in the laundry rooms and carpeting covers the great room, dining room, and bedrooms where ceiling lights illuminate the nighttime chambers.

Each room is surrounded by upgraded 4 inch thick baseboard moldings and 3-inch door casing moldings finish out the two-panel interior smooth finish doors.

The homes include a high efficiency Comfortmaker furnace, 13 SEER Comfortmaker air conditioning unit, a high-efficiency 40-gallon hot water tank, R44 ceiling insulation and a fireplace with gas logs.

Veri said the exterior is "100 percent maintenance free".

The ranch is completely brick as is the first floor of the two colonials. The second floor of the colonials is finished in vinyl siding. Overhangs on all three models are either aluminum or vinyl trim.

Pella vinyl windows with Low E glass, as well as glass block on the basement

windows finish each home.

Other accoutrements include a limestone address block, sodded yards, sidewalks, and city water and sewer.

Coach lights outside the garage and Owens-Corning 30-year dimensional shingles lend to the aesthetics as well.

"As you can see Livonia Builders & Breault Homes use namebrand, high quality features. Our floors are real oak, finished on site (not pre-finished flooring). Our windows are Pella, not a no-name brand that may be out of business before the warranty ends," said Veri.

An advantage to using Livonia Builders & Breault Homes are the financial stability of the companies. They are cash-strong and combined have been in business over 50 years. The buyers also get to deal directly with the owners of the companies through the whole building process, not superintendents or salespeople. "Our sales and construction process makes our buyers very comfortable. They know they are dealing directly with the owners of the building company."

Brookfield Estates is on the Canton border and very close to Ford Road shopping. It is in the Wayne/Westland school district and is nestled in Brookfield Village, an existing subdivision where home values range in the mid to upper \$200,000's, Veri said.

Ford Road is a mere mile

away and in close proximity is I-275 and local home improvement stores.

"It's a very welcoming neighborhood," he said. It is tucked away and embraced by deep woods and wetland area."

Veri said he can't get over the affordability of the homes.

"We worked on slim margins to keep working", he said "The main theme to this whole project was creating affordable housing with luxury features. With an hourly wage of \$19 per hour for household income, you can buy a house with all these features."

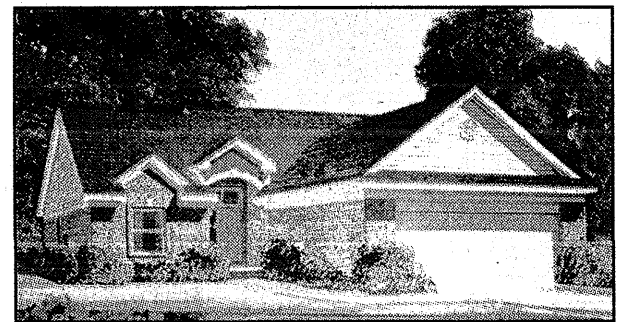
Veri worked with his in-house mortgage lender, Mortgage Concepts, and came up with a 5% down,

30-year fixed rate mortgage plan which includes taxes and insurance for about \$1200 a month.

"We even have a program that has no out-of-pocket closing costs," he said. "It's just a phenomenal deal for a first time home buyer or someone looking for more square footage."

Livonia Builders & Breault's model homes are open Saturdays & Sundays from 1-5pm, and Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays from 1-5pm.

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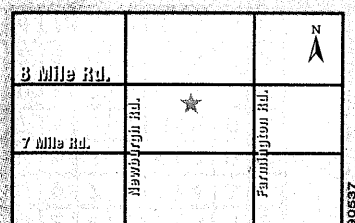


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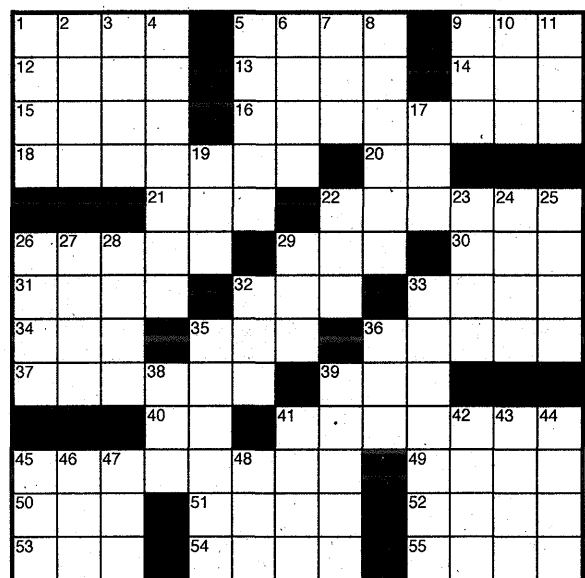
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 - Thin
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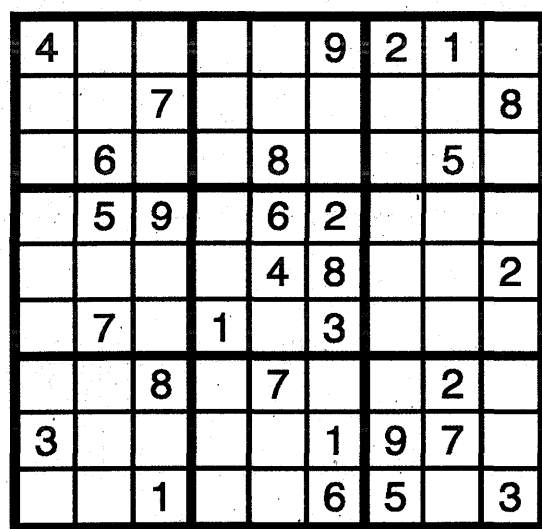
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| HURDLES | POLE VAULT | WALK |
- THE WORDS READ UP, DOWN AND ACROSS.

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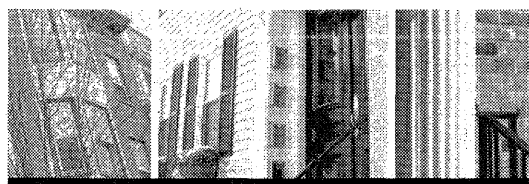
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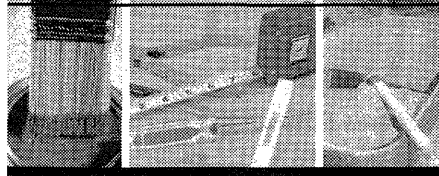
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