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Students hop off the bus and head in to class.

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Not Wayne's world City police chief decides it's 'a good time to go'

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Police Chief Wayne Carroll's career has spanned 31 years in the Plymouth Police Department, including the last eight as chief.

However, it will soon come to an end after Carroll gave City Manager Paul Sincock his letter of retirement Tuesday, effective Jan. 16.

"I thought about it two years ago, and the things he wants to do," said Carroll, 58. "I feel like I put together a good administration, command staff and police department. So I thought it's a good time to go."

Carroll, who grew up in Ft. Lauderdale, plans to retire to Florida and spend more time with his father, and away from Michigan winters. But while he is looking forward to retirement, it's somewhat bittersweet.

"There are a lot of good communities, but this one is a jewel," Carroll said. "The downtown, the festivals we have and the city employees who have a lot of pride in their community and it shows in their work."

"When I first started here, I had the chance to work for the State Police, but here there was a chance to be an individual and make a difference,"



Carroll

he added. "Everybody here knows you."

Carroll moved up the ranks from sergeant to lieutenant to commander before

taking the top position after being appointed by Sincock, who himself had just been appointed city manager. Carroll said he never looked to become chief; however, the opportunity presented itself during tumultuous times of previous city commissions and he took it.

"It wasn't something I pursued, it was something that just happened," Carroll said. "There were some things I felt were done wrong, and when I got the chance I thought I could do it better than it had been done. I got the opportunity and I never looked back."

Sincock said the police department is in much better shape than it was in 2000.

"Wayne has taken the police department and professionalized it, and done an outstanding job in bringing a tremendous amount of credibility and integrity to the department," he said.

Sincock said he will be working with consultant Terry McGinn of Career Directions in Ann Arbor to consider options in replacing Carroll next year.

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The bell tolls

School's 1st day brings excitement, nerves

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Following a shortened first day of school Tuesday, Gallimore Elementary 5-year-old Andrew Brown of Canton Township said he didn't think kindergarten would be too hard.

"No, because there's no homework," said Andrew.

While there was no homework, there were lessons to be learned on the first day of school.

"We watched a movie about going to school safely," Andrew said. "We learned not to talk to strangers."

While Andrew is just starting at Gallimore, his sister — Megan, 10 — is a fifth-grader, or senior class member

at the school. Megan said she didn't have any anxieties about her summer ending with the start of school.

"I was happy to see my friends," said Megan. "I like school a little bit, mostly social studies and math. I'm really good at multiplication and I like history."

Eight-year-old Kevin Swope of Canton said he wasn't anxious the night before, but when he woke up Tuesday morning the butterflies came.

"Maybe because it's a new teacher and stuff," said Kevin. "But, I got over it pretty quickly."

Not everyone who was nervous about the first day was a student. Even parents found themselves a bit unsettled.



Sixth-graders enter Central Middle School for the first day of the new school year.

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Chicken and fun highlight festival

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Plymouth's biggest community fundraiser, more commonly known as the Plymouth Fall Festival, is slated for Friday through Sunday.

"Many people don't know the Fall Festival is the only fund-raiser for many of the nonprofit groups that participate, so hopefully people will support them," said Colleen Brown, president of the annual event. "It started with the Plymouth Rotary raising money with its chicken barbecue in 1956, and then other groups were brought in, and it was extended through the weekend and grew from there."

Brown said this year the event has been extended to Old Village, where the Taste Fest will be held at Station 885 on Starkweather from 6-8 p.m. There will also be an afterglow and entertainment after the Taste Fest.

"There will be a free shuttle running from downtown to Station 885 every 15-20 minutes," said Brown. "The shuttle

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The following roads will be closed for Fall Fest starting Sept. 4 at 10 a.m.:

- Penniman — From the Penniman Parking Lot to Union
- Main Street — From Fralick to Wing Street
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- Westbound Ann Arbor Trail — From Forest to Harvey; eastbound AA Trail will remain open from Harvey to Forest to allow parking & traffic on Forest.
- Union from Ann Arbor Trail to north of Penniman
- Forest Avenue will remain open to traffic and feature free parking.

stops downtown in front of the Wilcox House and at Forest and Ann Arbor Trail.

The proceeds go to the Fall Festival. "The craft show is bigger this year, with at least 38 booths, which will

More on Fall Festival in Filter

extend along Union Street from Ann Arbor Trail," she said.

The biggest food events are the Kiwanis pancake breakfast on Saturday morning, the Plymouth A.M. Rotary Club spaghetti dinner Saturday night and the Rotary Club of Plymouth chicken barbecue dinner Sunday.

"We've got 10,599 chickens and 11,160 ears of corn ready to be delivered," said Cam Miller of Plymouth Township, chairman of the Rotary's chicken barbecue committee. "We have a farmer growing a specific field of corn for us, which will be delivered the night before to ensure its sweetness. Last year we sold out early."

Tickets, which can be purchased from Rotary club members or at the Fall Festival, are \$10 in advance and \$12 on Sunday.

As for the secret sauce put on the chickens, Miller says he gets inquiries all the time where it can be purchased.

"You can buy it at the Fall Festival on cooked chickens," he said.

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

It's two down, two to go. An 18-year-old Eastpointe man pleaded guilty Tuesday to inciting a riot with intent to do great bodily harm in a June mob attack in Mount Clemens that left a Plymouth man with severe brain injuries.

Armon Boyd is set for sentencing Oct. 6. His guilty plea came Tuesday in Macomb County Circuit Court. He's the second person to plead guilty in the case — Deonte Williams, 17, of Mount Clemens, who admitted to throwing a rock that started the attack, was sentenced last week to 19 to 38 months in a youth facility and ordered to pay \$31,380 in restitution.

Kauffman's family, struggling as Kauffman recovers from his injuries, is glad to see some justice coming.

"Like (Kauffman's wife) Angela said in court, Deonte Williams has a set date when

his sentence will end; Andy doesn't," said Paula Weber, Kauffman's mother-in-law.

"That's the hard part. But the positive side is the people were caught, and now they're in the court system."

Jury selection and opening statements were expected to start Wednesday in the trial for the other two suspects, Steven Lincoln, 18, and Jemall Davidson, 16, both of Clinton Township. Both are charged with inciting a riot, assault and assault with intent to murder, a charge which carries a maximum penalty of life in prison.

Meanwhile, Weber said Kauffman is improving in some areas while still struggling in others.

"He's still in recovery mode, but he has made progress in some areas, and he looks good," Weber said. "His memory, his ability to process information and ability to make decisions are areas where doctors want to see him make more progress."

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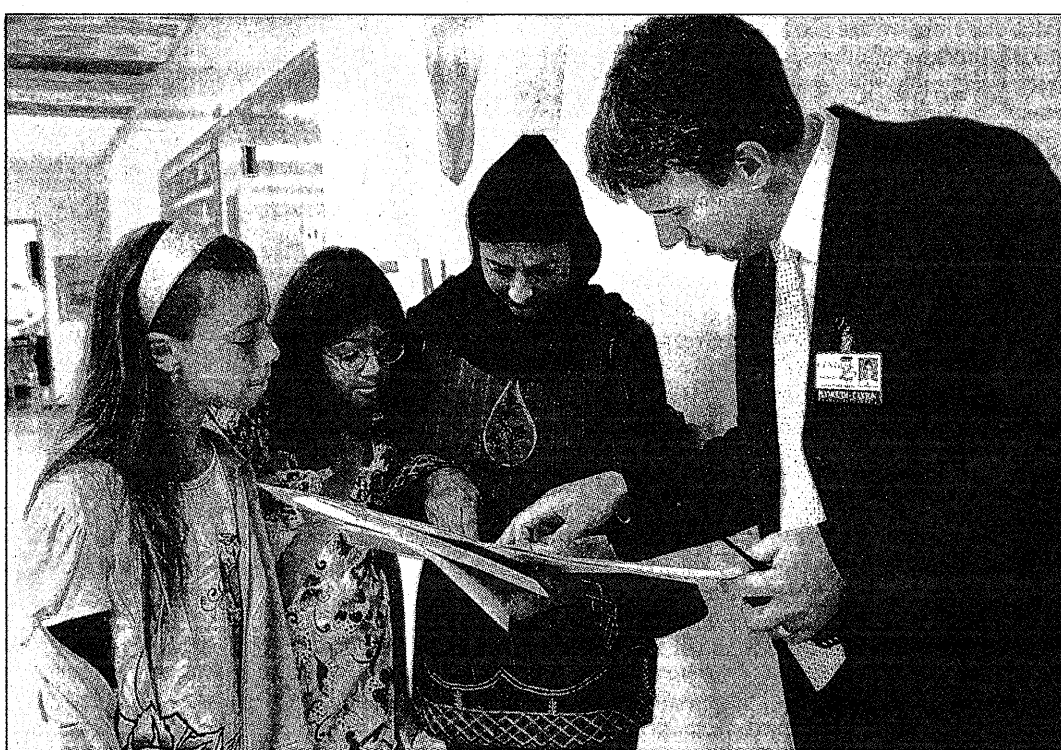
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KIMBERLY MAY, Gallimore Elementary principal (above)



'It was like Christmas morning. I was exhausted from the weekend planning and just making sure I was prepared. So, you're tired, but still that anticipation of what the next morning is going to bring. I woke up this morning refreshed and ready to go.'

ANTHONY RUELA, Central Middle School principal (above)

FIRST-DAY JITTERS

It was the first day of school not only for the students, but for three new administrators, as well. Here's what they had to say:

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'I've started a few school years, so I wasn't nervous. (Deputy Superintendent) Ken (Jacobs) was on top of the buses and everybody was doing their jobs. We appeared to be ready and they were for the first day.'

CRAIG FIEGEL, new superintendent (left)

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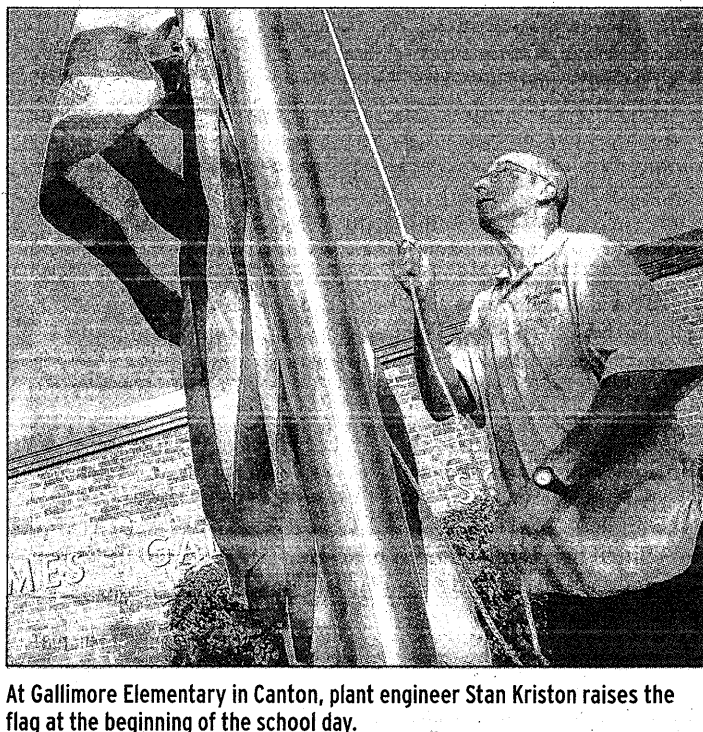
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At Gallimore Elementary in Canton, plant engineer Stan Kriston raises the flag at the beginning of the school day.

SCHOOL
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"Of course I'm a little sad, I was probably more emotional that he was," said Kristen Stoudt of Canton, who met her 5-year-old son, Ethan, when the bell rang. "I looked at him yesterday and I said 'Oh, my gosh, he's already in school.'"

At Central Middle School, 10-year-old Brittney Ostrander said she had no qualms about moving from elementary school to sixth grade.

"I was so excited about coming to a new school that I got up at 6 (a.m.)," said Brittney, who lives in Canton. "When I got here I was really nervous to see all my friends and my teachers."

Brittney's excitement helped to alleviate the nervousness of her mother, Colleen Byle.

"Because she was so excited it made it easy for me," said Byle, who said Brittney has been counting down the days for school to start since July.

John Halpin of Plymouth Township is now a member of Central's senior class — eighth grade.

"I'm the top dog," said Halpin, 13. "I know the school a lot more and it's kind of easier."

Halpin said being an eighth-grader comes with more responsibility to help the underclassmen.

"Like finding their way around the school and getting to know the teachers," added Halpin, who plans to play basketball and participate in wrestling and swimming.

While walking his daughters — Meadow, 7, and Trinity 5 — to their car after the bell rang at Gallimore, Robert Maturen of Plymouth said it was an easy first day. However, Maturen said time will become a premium helping his second- and first-grader with homework this school year.

"I was surprised when Meadow went to kindergarten the amount of homework that came home," said Maturen, 38. "And, when she went into first grade there was homework every night. I don't remember having that much homework when I was young."

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Commission picks replacement

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth City Commission has a new member after Commissioner Chris Lynn turned in his letter of resignation Friday, effective after Monday's regular meeting.

Afterward, Ed Hingelberg, 52, was sworn in to fill the remaining three years and two months of Lynn's four-year term on the city commission. He was appointed by Mayor Phil Pursell, as prescribed in the city charter, and was unanimously approved by the commission.

Hingelberg was formerly on the city's Downtown Development Authority, where he spent 3 years, including one as vice chairman.

Lynn, currently a steel buyer for E&E Manufacturing in Plymouth, will become the lead purchasing manager for a company in Dallas. Lynn also divulged the move will benefit his wife, Holly, 31.

"My wife was recently diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis

THE HINGELBERG FILE

■ **Who:** Ed Hingelberg
 ■ **Age:** 52
 ■ **What:** Appointed to Plymouth City Commission to replace Chris Lynn, who resigned
 ■ **When:** Effective Sept. 8; term to run 3 years, 2 months
 ■ **Family:** Wife, Julie; 5 grown children
 ■ **Other:** He's the director of operations for Cass Community Social Services in Detroit, a homeless social service agency; he has a bachelor's degree from Adrian College and a master's degree from Boston University.



best wishes for Lynn as he embarks on a new career. "I've come to respect your intelligence, your integrity, your insightfulness, your energy," said Commissioner Stella Green. "You will be sorely missed."

Hingelberg - who is most recognizable walking his Newfoundland dog, Tashmo, in downtown Plymouth - said he doesn't have "any true agenda" in joining the city commission.

"I am convinced that communities with downtowns, such as ours, are the place to be, and I'm excited to be a part of it," said Hingelberg, who has lived in Plymouth 3 1/2 years. "As the town goes our whole area goes, and included in that is Old Village. I think we can do more (for Old Village) with partnerships with the DDA. If one wins, they both win."

Commissioners think Hingelberg will be a good addition.

"He has the ability to cut through the b.s. and see a problem for what it is," said Pursell. "He has a much different perspective than anybody sitting up here. He's a team player."

and the warm, dry heat and sunshine is conducive for MS and a longer and fuller lifestyle," said Lynn. "I never thought in a million years that I'd leave the city of Plymouth, but family comes first and this is a decision for my family."

"I look forward to coming back and hopefully seeing new development," he said. "I'm always going to call Plymouth home."

Commissioners voiced their

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Unicycle builder stands 'em tall

BY ALEX LUNDBERG
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Sem Abrahams was in his native Suriname reading a comic strip in which the main character couldn't afford a whole bicycle and bought a unicycle.

Abrahams never forgot that comic strip.

One day a few years later, he purchased one on a family trip to the Netherlands and taught himself how to ride.

"Afterward, my father decided to try building a taller one from a bicycle," Abrahams said. "A friend of ours noticed and said the record in the Guinness World Records book was 20 feet."

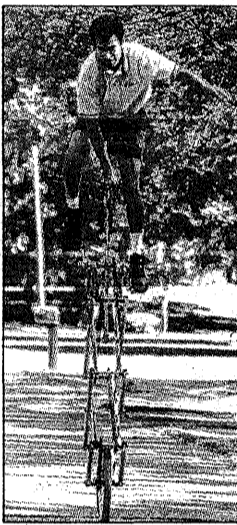
That was 1975 and Abrahams and his father agreed they could beat that record, so they started

building one 25 feet tall. They were set to call the people at Guinness when they got a newer copy of the book and found out they were off the mark by more than 10 feet. It was back to the drawing board to create a 45-foot tall unicycle in 1976. In 2004, they decided to go for a record that would be extremely hard to beat.

That year, they rented the Pontiac Silverdome and Abrahams rode his 114.8-foot tall unicycle far enough Jan. 29, 2004, to prove he had it under control - 28 feet. The aluminum cycle was lashed together with steel wires for structural strength.

Since that Silverdome appearance, the cycle sits in pieces in the Abrahamses' garage.

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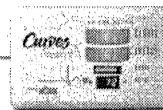
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On Aug. 20, the Michigan Court of Appeals rejected the Reform Michigan Government Now ballot proposal.

The unanimous decision reads: "The RMGN initiative petition is overarching, of a reach and expanse never before seen by any constitutional initiative in Michigan's long history. It proposes fundamentally to redesign the very framework of the Michigan Constitution of 1963, which emerged after an historic convention and subsequent voter approval."

The RMGN advocates filed an appeal with the Michigan Supreme Court on Aug. 22. The Supreme Court has no obligation to hear the case. The proposal calls for eliminating two Supreme Court seats and proposal advocates are asking that the two junior justices not participate in the appeal.

We believe the Court of Appeals has made the correct decision in rejecting this overstuffed and partisan amendment. The proposal is designed to enhance the position of the Democratic Party within the state. It throws in many attractive parts in an effort to distort its real intent.

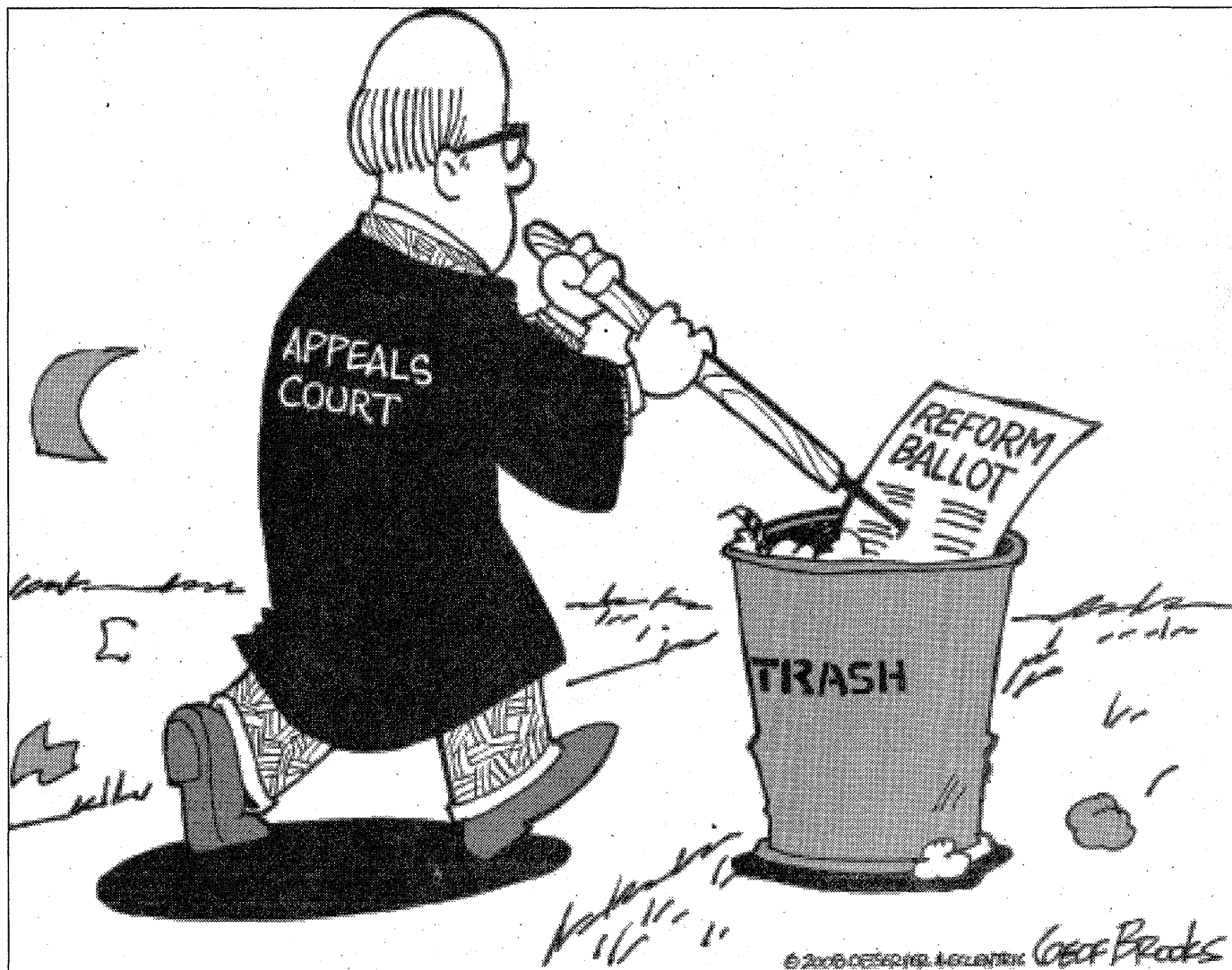
The removal of the two Supreme Courts justices, for instance, would create a Democratic Party-endorsed majority on the court, a reverse on the disastrous attempt by Franklin Roosevelt to increase the seats on the U.S. Supreme Court to win support for his New Deal programs.

While we oppose the ballot issue, we believe there are many items in the proposal that have merit. But as the court ruled, voters should not have to decide on so many issues buried within a single ballot issue. Rather, voters should be asked to consider the issues fully and separately.

Among the proposals within in the ballot issue are: reducing the membership of the state Senate and House, rolling back legislative compensation, reforming redistricting by appointing a bipartisan panel to set legislative districts, placing restrictions on legislators becoming lobbyists, reducing judicial salaries, toughening conflict of interest requirements, reducing the salaries of the four statewide elected officials by 25 percent, reducing the cap on the number of state government departments from 20 to 18 and more. Much more — too much more.

If proponents believe there is so much to amend in the state Constitution, perhaps it is time for a Constitutional Convention. Or, perhaps, some of these issues can be settled legislatively or through separate ballot initiatives.

But this proposal is a terrible approach to government reform.



Potter-mania

I read *Plymouth Observer* editor Brad Kadrich's article in the *Observer*, "Wonders of wizardry come alive as passion for Potter prospers," Thursday, Aug. 28) and felt compelled to comment. I'm an avid reader, and have always loved children's literature.

Several years ago, NPR did a story about this amazing book written in England about a boy wizard and his adventures. Nothing in the story sounded appealing to me, until they said that the book was so popular in England that adults were buying the book and wrapping it in brown paper in order to read it on mass transit without appearing foolish.

Hmmmm. That intrigued me. It must be a pretty good children's book for adults to be enjoying it. I bought my first Harry Potter book and was hooked. I raved about it to my husband and daughter, all to no avail (when you explain the story, it simply doesn't sound very appealing).

Finally, after several years, I began to buy the book tapes — read by Jim Dale. They are wonderful and make car travel much more enjoyable! They're absolutely magical to listen to.

One evening, my family got into my car to go out to dinner and when I started the car, my book tape started — mid sentence, where I had left it earlier. I reached down to turn it off, and though he'd only heard a few words, my husband said, "Don't turn it off. We'll listen for a few minutes."

Well, 10 minutes later we arrived at our destination and my husband and daughter were totally hooked. They didn't want to get out of the car because they wanted to continue to listen.

Since then, we've become that family that goes to each midnight book release party, and then greedily spends the weekend reading and ignoring all other duties.

But my family has taken it so far beyond me. While I love Harry Potter books and have thoroughly enjoyed every one of them, my husband and daughter have purchased all the books on tape and listen to them constantly. Constantly! They're always on when I get home, and are always plugged in to my husband's car. They can quote long lines of dialogue from any book and finish sentences for various characters. And both are whizzes when it comes to Harry Potter trivia!

So let your son know that I understand his pain. I live with Harry fanatics as well.

I'll tell you if you haven't experienced it yet, try one of the Harry Potter book tapes read by Jim Dale. He's won Grammy Awards for his recitation of the books, and you'll be amazed as he does 140 different voices to convey these stories. Truly magical!

Janet Newcomer
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No help for change

Joe Biden was a TV celebrity during the "high-tech lynching" of Clarence Thomas. Supreme Court hearings reached a new low when a former Thomas employee, lovely Anita Hill, testified that her boss spoke suggestively to her 10 years earlier. He also purchased sexy magazines.

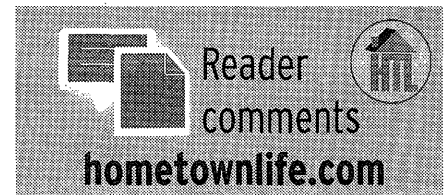
Sen. Biden seemed to intimate behavior of a Supreme Court justice should be more honorable than required for a president or senator.

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Justice Thomas has upheld the Constitution honorably for many years now. His decisions are without racial prejudice, but more conservative than Sen. Biden would like.

Barack Obama, possibly our first black president, chose a white politician unfair to a black Supreme Court nominee. The vice presidency will get Biden out of the Senate for a while, but not help Obama's promise of worthwhile changes.

Hank Borgman
Farmington



Here's a look at what readers are saying about stories on our Web site, www.hometownlife.com:

■ In response to Former trustee named Republican chair: phikapbob wrote:

I have to correct a slight error in this article. You say that "The district is represented in Congress by U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia." While Mr. McCotter does go to Washington and draw a six-figure salary, he does very little to actually represent the people of the 11th District.

■ In response to It's your job, parents, to teach life's most important lessons: wildhorsewoman wrote:

They sure do in the states sub. The rowdy kids break the law get away with it real well. Come back for more! The parents are very good teachers in hate and lies and all.

■ In response to Canton man sues Bible publisher for discriminating against gays: sociable40 wrote:

There have been many 'Bibles' written in easier words and terms to be more easily understood. The Word of God, IS the Word of God & just because words are changed it doesn't change what the 'Bible' is saying. I don't judge him, for the 'Bible' also says, Judge not, lest ye be judged. It is 'Written' & best not to second guess his Word, for it is Sacred.

themaverick wrote:
It'll be interesting to see how far he can take this. I do agree with the publishers though. He's going after the wrong people. If he hopes to have an argument, he should go after the translators. ... Or time travel back to when it was written and go after the disciples, etc. I'm sure that'd be headline-worthy.

■ In response to: McCotter: Bush reaction to Georgia invasion 'inexcusable': imjustasayin wrote:
Dear Uncle Thad,

I'm sure GWB was very upset when someone gave him a 5 second cliff note of the E-mail you took 2 days to right and re right. Congratulations on again wasting tax payers money writing it and then calling everyone you know to let them know you took a swing at a president with weeks left in power. What a brass pair you have. Go ahead and listen to your advisers and try to suck up some Democratic votes for November while you can.
I hope the next president knows when to get our troops involved and when to do

things diplomatically as well as GWB does. China and Russia are strong world powers, it's not like the sand dunes of backwater Iraq and the caves of Afghanistan. China and Russia can bring the war here, to our Georgia, please do not forget that (even though you would probably be in Canada for it anyway.)

It was a bold move to go to China and needed to be done. More then a rebellion Georgia. More then baby-sitting Congress. He Showed PRIDE in America. Try it sometime."

phikapbob wrote:
Constituents: McCotter reaction to everything 'inexcusable'

Is this saber-rattling against China and Russia? Is McCotter intent on reinvigorating the Cold War, or going all the way to WW3? His position to "make sure they have weapons to defend themselves" should be translated to "we need to allow our Republican Military-Industrial-Complex warmongering donors to sell them more weapons."

I also ask McCotter, if he's such a stalwart for energy policy, where was he during the last six years when Dick Cheney was allowing oil companies to construct the previous energy bills. He was right there by Bush/Cheney's side, cheerleading as usual.

tigersnut wrote:
What I find ironic is how Congressman McCotter is distancing himself from Bush when he has been so "Rah-Rah Bush" in the past ... lame attempt to get reelected.

chickenfight wrote:
It is idiotic to think that being in Iraq makes us lack moral authority about going into Georgia. Iraq is a problem but in a different way. The president executed this war poorly. He did not listen to his generals on the ground as he so often claims. He tried to do two wars on the cheap to prevent any injury to American business and the economy. Yes people, the economy would be a lot worse if the President had actually asked for sacrifice from the American people. We should have devoted our full resources to crushing the Taliban (which are now resurging) and finished off Afghanistan before we went anywhere else. Now we have zero military resources to defend our ally Georgia. Congressman McCotter has been complicit in the way this war was executed and due to his high standing in the congressional Republican delegation, should share more blame in America's failing to have the ability to protect our allies.

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"DeHoCo in the early '70s didn't have the security measures we have at more modern facilities. Women who chose to leave could just scale the fence. There's no integrated effort; it just happened that ongoing efforts led the recovery of these women ... Our Absconder Recovery Units, the Wayne County Sheriff's, the U.S. Marshal Service — they all do a great job." — John Cordell, Michigan Department of Corrections spokesman, on the recent spate of recoveries of prisoners who escaped from the Detroit House of Correction in Plymouth Township in the 1970s

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State's residents are ahead of leaders on the need for reform

The way Michigan government works badly needs a major overhaul, but you might think the prospects seem dim indeed. After all, the "Reform Michigan Government Now," fiasco ended last month with the courts ruling the complex amendment off the ballot.

But it is clear that our state's top business leaders are overwhelmingly convinced that something needs to be done — at least according to a statewide summer poll recently taken for Detroit Renaissance, the high-powered business leadership group.

The vast majority — 87 percent of those responding — say our political leaders have done only a fair to poor job of balancing the state's budget and setting clear spending priorities.

Almost as many (81 percent) believe lawmakers are making short-term taxing and spending decisions that promote their survival in office from year to year, rather than working on policies that promote Michigan's long-term prosperity.

This is hardly surprising. The poll was taken in late July, when the memories were still vivid of last fall's near-meltdown of state finances, caused in part by an inexperienced, term-limited Legislature.

Politicians are human beings, just like the rest of us. And it's simple human nature to try to duck unpleasant stuff, which for lawmakers in Lansing means unpopular, but necessary, votes.

So term-limited legislators all too often kick the can down the road by leaving the tough votes to their successors.

The poll also shows deep and grim pessimism about our future. More than four out of every five Michigan voters think the state is on the wrong track, and 74 percent think Michigan's economy will either stay the same or get worse next year.

So it will come as no surprise that a solid majority — 56 percent — wants major structural reforms in Lansing. Yes, but what kind of reform? Remarkably, a half-dozen ideas all got majority support among all demographic groups surveyed:

- Save money by finding other means of punishment for non-violent offenders, other than going to prison (79.3 percent).
- Increase state employee health care premiums (74.5 percent).
- Change the retirement system for new teachers (74.1 percent).
- Increase state employee health care deductibles and co-pays (72.5 percent).
- Impose small co-pays for Medicaid-related health services (63.3 percent).
- Release some non-violent offenders from prison before their normal parole date (58.8 percent).

Our basic problem is this: Michigan's state budget has suffered from years of chronic "structural deficits." That means the system is built so that the state spends more money on programs and services than it takes in from various taxes. Worse, these costs are bound to increase faster than any revenue gains arising from a more prosperous

economy.

Although the Legislature raised both income and business taxes last year to overcome the \$1 billion-plus structural deficit that then existed in the General Fund, it was a temporary solution. Virtually all experts predict that structural deficits will return — with a vengeance. Left unresolved, it could reach \$10 billion by 2017!

Tricia Kinley, the tax expert at the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, agrees. In a July article in *The Detroit News* commenting on "quiet" budget agreements this year in Lansing, she wrote: "We could spin our wheels all day long trying to pursue major reform in Medicaid costs, prison costs and pension reforms. But until we 'turn off the faucet' of spending increases (at least turn it down) the Legislature and administration will not be forced to come together and do what's right for the long-term health of our state's financial and budget situation."

When asked what to do about the continuing budget problems, there was much greater diversity. Some 6.1 percent polled were in favor of solving the problem solely by raising taxes. Another 21.3 percent preferred to solve the problem entirely by reducing state spending. But a solid majority, 56.4 percent, opted for moving toward serious structural reforms in state government.

And when it comes to the voters, the sentiment is near-unanimous. An amazing 95 percent say reform is personally important to them.

Incidentally, the poll was taken by the Chicago-based Glengariff Group, Inc., for Detroit Renaissance, a group of top-level business executives in southeast Michigan. Though it has been around for many years, in recent months Detroit Renaissance has spurred itself to become a major policy mover and shaker, under the leadership of President Doug Rothwell and Domino's Pizza CEO Dave Brandon, chair of the Renaissance board.

Rothwell is blunt about the poll results: "The people of Michigan are ready for major reforms in the way government works and spends money. Year-to-year budget cuts and tax increases are simply making matters worse. We can't continue to postpone the inevitable: Michigan cannot work the way it has for the past 50 years, because we simply don't have the money we used to have."

And Lansing, take note: This poll provides solid support for an emerging effort to use the "lame duck" session of the Legislature — that between Election Day and the end of the year — to push far-reaching structural reforms of Michigan's government.

I can't help but be mildly encouraged by all of this. We've got a long way to go, but maybe, just maybe, that glimmer you noticed this morning was, at long last, the first light at the end of the tunnel.

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Obama's message of national unity was life-altering one

Four years ago I sat transfixed on my sofa, not knowing that the words I was hearing would change the course of my life. It was July 27 and the Democratic National Convention was in full swing, on its way to nominating John Kerry for the presidency.



Michael Siegrist

Whatever misgivings I had about the party or the candidate at the time, I tuned into the coverage looking for some reason to vote.

I found that reason from an unlikely source; a self-defined "skinny kid with a funny name" who would challenge me to get involved in more ways than I could have imagined.

"Tonight is a particular honor for me because — let's face it — my presence on this stage is pretty unlikely," Barack Obama said. This son of a Kenyan goat herder and a mother from the heartland of America told me to ignore the pundits and politicians that divided this country into warring sides, clutched together in a freefall to the bottom. He professed a new way to view politics; one where you can disagree without being disagreeable.

As a student who worked as the director of a camping program for emotionally impaired children, I had a strong leaning to liberal politics and an even greater suspicion of partisan politics. I grew up in a conservative Catholic household with certified public accountants as parents.

I did not hate Republicans, only disagreed with them on solutions to our common problems. Sen. Obama's words were music to my ears.

In two years time I had changed my major to political science, become editor in chief of my student newspaper, managed a campaign and begun interning for a congressman. I would later invest what little spare time I had toward drafting Obama to run for president and working for him in the primary.

In 2006 I attended a rally in Detroit where Obama came to campaign for Gov. Jennifer

Granholt. In a union hall, full of Democratic supporters, Sen. Obama touched on many issues and reasons to vote for Granholt; all of which I have forgotten. However, what I do remember from the evening is that it was nothing like the speech I had seen by President Bill Clinton who spoke in Taylor. Moving away from demonizing Dick DeVos and not focusing on common cheerleader-like antics, Obama chose to elevate the discussion by activating the crowd outside of partisan politics to create a stronger country for everyone.

What I also remember is the almost 10 minutes of the speech devoted to chastising the Democratic Party for past mistakes. While challenging your friends and allies is an uneasy path, it has been the journey that Sen. Obama has chosen to take.

In another speech I attended at the Detroit Economic Club — dubbed by a friend as the dumbest speech he has given — Obama challenged the domestic auto industry's failure to manufacture fuel efficient cars that are more marketable.

What I saw in Sen. Obama was an eagerness to speak hard truths and face ugly facts in order to address our past and present course so that we could all move forward.

So now, in my last year at the University of Michigan and working as a community organizer — a path also inspired by the Senator — I have returned in the wake of a national convention. I was elected a delegate last spring and traveled to Denver to cast my vote for the person I campaigned for in the primary and who inspired me to get involved not only in politics, but in my community as well.

On Thursday night of the convention I sat nine rows from the stand and watched in awe as one of my heroes made yet another convention speech. I sat transfixed yet again in wonder at how unlikely my presence was.

Michael Siegrist of Canton is a student of political science at the University of Michigan and is a community organizer. He served as a Michigan delegate at the Democratic National Convention last week in Denver.

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Salvation Army seeks good people's help in tough times

BY JULIE BROWN
O&E STAFF WRITER
The Salvation Army for Eastern Michigan is seeking funds, with leaders concerned

about cuts including the Denby Center for Children and Family Services in Detroit. There's hope on the horizon. The Matilda Wilson Fund, a generous benefactor, has prom-

ised to match donations, dollar for dollar, up to \$50,000. With the match, the total would be \$100,000.

"We're anticipating a response because we've done things like this in the past," said John Hale, director of development for the Salvation Army for Eastern Michigan. "It absolutely is a slow time" for fund raising. He and other leaders appreciate the foresight and generosity of the late Matilda Wilson.

"We are concerned," said Rochester Hills resident Hale, citing high unemployment and foreclosures. "I think that the need is still high right now."

In a recent letter to supporters, Maj. Norman S. Marshall, divisional commander, cited steeply rising grocery prices, as well as gasoline and utility costs. Marshall noted one-third

of Detroit residents already live in poverty, and "the struggle to care for our neighbors in need is getting much harder."

The Denby Center includes a maternity program for single at-risk mothers, and could be closed. Denby houses pregnant teens and their newborn babies, and prepares the young women to make a healthy transition to motherhood. In addition, its residential treatment program gives pre-adolescent girls from broken homes support to find the way to a productive future, through physical, emotional, medical and educational help.

A memo in the August letter from Capt. Katherine Clausell, who runs the Denby Center, notes many teens would otherwise terminate their pregnancies if not for help received. "Our maternity program pre-

pares young, first-time mothers for the critical challenges of motherhood and for a self-sufficient future," Clausell wrote.

Marshall and other Salvation Army leaders have asked for a response by Oct. 3. Hale said Aug. 20 officials anticipate the Denby Center will stay open, but it's too early to gauge response to the major's August letter.

Also cited in the letter was after-school tutoring at the Wayne-Westland corps on Venoy in Westland.

Wayne-Westland corps commander Capt. Derek Rose just hired a certified teacher for the after-school tutoring. "So we're looking to start full-force Sept. 15," he said.

"It's very important," Rose agreed about late summer and fall funding. "We are scraping the bottom of the barrel finan-

cially. We are in somewhat of a deficit right now, so we are looking to increase any funding we can."

Rose, whose wife, Joanna, is also a Wayne-Westland corps commander, agreed some people think of Christmas efforts involving the Salvation Army. "It's kind of one of those things that gets set to the side," Derek Rose said. "As always we appreciate any support our community in Wayne-Westland can provide."

Checks payable to the Salvation Army may be sent to the Salvation Army, Eastern Michigan Division, 16130 Northland Drive, Southfield, MI 48075. You can also donate online at www.salmich.org, or by calling (877) SAL-MICH.

"I think we can do it as a community," Hale said of the fund-raising goal.

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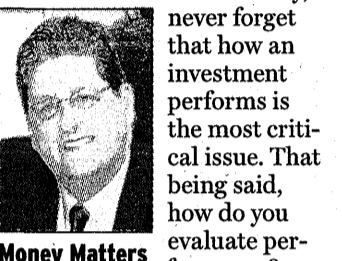
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Money Matters Rick Bloom

I believe what happens in an investment, particularly a mutual fund, over a one-year period is relatively immaterial. Any

investment can have a good year. If you just look at any one year, you get a distorted view.

I use the analogy of whether a college education is a good investment over a one-year period. You need to judge the benefit of a college education over a much longer period of time. The same theory applies with investments. I generally judge investments over three-, five- and 10-year time frames.

Looking at long-term track records, you have a better understanding of a fund. If you just look at three-year returns, any one year might significantly impact that fund.

In addition, I like funds that have more consistent perfor-

mance vs. funds that are traditionally on roller coaster rides. Some funds will have wide fluctuations in performance. I prefer funds that have a little more consistency.

Another factor I consider is whether the mutual fund management team is invested in their fund. When the management team has money invested, it tends to be more sensitive to certain issues such as taxes and fees.

The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has changed the disclosure rules over the years and now requires managers to report ownership interest in a fund. Some mutual fund companies make it easy to obtain this information. They

have posted it on their Web sites and they report it in their statement of additional information.

Most investors ignore the statement of additional information issued by the mutual fund company, however, that document has a wealth of information for investors including how mutual fund managers are compensated and their bonus arrangement.

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Gridiron motivation: From 'hair' to eternity

The instant several Plymouth football players removed their helmets for the National Anthem last Thursday night and exposed their mohawked lids, I knew the Wildcats were on the verge of a stellar performance. In all the years I've been submerged in football — as a player, sports writer and



Ed Wright

GRID PICKS

fan — I have yet to see a team that executes the team-unity haircut play poorly. Sure enough, Plymouth rolled 47-7 over Salem to get its season off to a hair-raising start. Although the victory was the direct result of strong play from Matt Skubik, Connor McKinney, Connor Martin and friends — not

Fantastic Sam, Bo-Ric or Vidal Sassoon — whoever wielded the clippers on the 'Cats deserves at least a pat on the back. After some exhausting research, I discovered the team-unity haircut ritual dates back to the late-1920s. Rumor has it, that's when members of the Canton Bulldogs — looking for a psychological edge before a pivotal showdown against the Frankford Yellow Jackets — conspired to take the field with bowl-cut haircuts.

While not quite as intimidating as mohawks, the bowl-cuts prevailed — but only by a whisker. The trend spilled over into hockey in the 1950s when a number of Canadian teams bonded thanks to the now-defunct (except for Barry Melrose's) mullet hairstyles. They won most of their games; unfortunately, they lost most of their girlfriends.

Please see **GRID, B2**

Sidelines

Donnelly-Runnion Road Race

The 2008 Trish Donnelly-Runnion Memorial Road Race will be held Sunday, Sept. 21, in downtown Plymouth. Proceeds from the 5K run and 1-mile run/walk will benefit breast cancer awareness and the Salem High School cross country teams. The entry fee is \$16 if postmarked before Sept. 12 and \$20 after Sept. 12. Registration for the 5K race will run from 7-8 a.m. on Sept. 12 in the Plymouth Cultural Center lobby. The race will start at 8:15 with the one-mile events scheduled to commence at 9:10. Registration information can be picked up in the Cultural Center lobby until the day of the event. For more information contact Pat Donnelly at (734) 495-9512 or (248) 474-3511.

PCS girls hockey

Fall skates are currently forming for all girls interested in playing for the 2008-09 Plymouth-Canton-Salem girls hockey team. Players of all ability levels are welcome to attend the twice-a-week workouts set for Mondays and Wednesdays beginning Sept. 15. For additional information, contact Alane Shaffer at (734) 737-9332.

Compuware Arena skating programs

Compuware Arena, located on Beck Road just north of M-14 in Plymouth Township, is offering "Learn to Skate" and "Learn to Play" programs. Learn to Skate classes are being offered Sept. 9 through Oct. 25. The cost of the seven-week session is \$88. Registration for this class runs through Sept. 5. Learn to Play is offered Sept. 9 through Oct. 25. The cost of the seven-week program is \$88. For more information or to register call (734) 453-6400.

Salem tames Mustangs in KLAAs thriller

Canton, Plymouth prevail. See story, Page B2.

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

So far, so very, very good for the Salem boys soccer team. The red-hot Rocks improved their record to 6-0 Tuesday night with an impressive 2-1 triumph over previously unbeaten Northville (4-1). The match, which was played at Northville, was the Kensington Lakes Activities Association Central Division opener for both squads. "This was a very big win for us," said Salem coach Ed McCarthy. "Northville is a very good team with tremendous all-around speed. I don't think there's a faster team in the state. Our defense and (goal-

keeper) Sasa (Miskovic) played great." Miskovic stopped 11 Mustangs shots. "He was outstanding," McCarthy reiterated. "He had to be very alert because Northville's attack is so strong."

Following a scoreless first half, Salem drew first blood just 17 seconds into the second stanza when senior Matt Woster scored off an assist from Garrett Rogers.

Northville knotted that game at 1-1 two minutes later on Joey Zywiol's net-finder.

With a draw looming, Salem senior forward Josh Pascarella secured Matt Calupina's free kick in front of the Mustang net and buried the shot for the game-winner.

Salem returns to action Saturday when it defends its title at the East Lansing Invitational.

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Salem senior Kevin Cope (left) dribbles the ball upfield during a match in last month's Chelsea Academy Youth Cup, which was played just outside London, England. Cope was playing for the Disney Soccer Showcase All-Stars.

Salem's Cope shines at premier tourney in London

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Kevin Cope recently returned from an extraordinary soccer-based journey that stretched all the way from the Magic Kingdom to the United Kingdom.

The highly accomplished senior defender for Salem's soccer team was a member of the Disney Soccer Showcase All-Stars, who traveled to London, England last month to participate in a week-long slate of games against elite 18-and-under squads from around the world. "We played against teams from



Cope

Argentina, Germany, Russia and Chelsea, so the competition was amazing," said Cope, who verbally committed to play college soccer at Michigan State University beginning in the fall of 2009. "At first, I wasn't sure if I was going to do it, but now I'm glad I did. It was a great experience." Cope's once-in-a-lifetime opportunity was sparked last December when he competed for the Michigan Wolves in a high-caliber showcase tournament in Orlando, Fla.

The athletic defender impressed scouts so much that he was invited to play on the prestigious Disney squad that participated in the inaugural Chelsea Academy Youth Cup, which was sponsored by the famed soccer club Chelsea FC.

"We played surprisingly well," said Cope, referring to the Disney team that finished first in its group's standings. "The players on the teams we were playing — Argentina, Germany, Chelsea FC — had played together for several years and we had just met about a week before the tournament."

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Canton resident Jeff Marcero (back row, third from left) earned a place in the 'Guinness World Records' book July 20 when he joined a group of golfers to set a record for the fastest round on the Monument Course at Boyne Mountain. Marcero and his fellow linksters played 18 holes in seven minutes and 56 seconds.

Canton golfer makes 'Guinness'

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Canton resident Jeff Marcero is headed straight for the pages of the *Guinness World Records* book — and he's taking his putter with him.

On July 20, Marcero was one of 40 people who chipped in to break the world record for the fastest round of golf.

And, no, the group didn't include Tiger Woods or Usain Bolt.

The record-setting contingent, which was put together by radio station WJR and Boyne Mountain Resorts, played 18 holes on the Monument at Boyne Mountain layout faster

than it takes some PGA Tour pros to line up a putt: 7 minutes and 56 seconds.

The previous record of 8:47 was set in August of 2003 at Bridelwood Golf Club in Flower Mound, Texas.

Marcero and his fellow record-breakers were strategically placed on three of the Monument's holes (a par 3, par 4 and par 5), which they played six times consecutively.

The clock started each time the initial tee shot was struck. Players stationed in the fairways and around the greens ran to the resting spot of each shot and proceeded to move the ball toward the hole.

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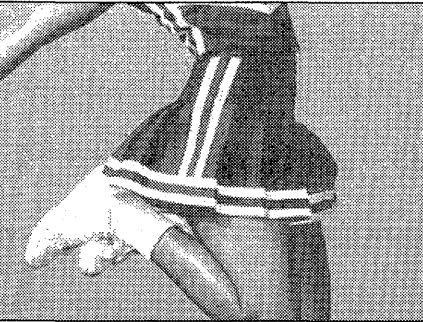
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Seven Chiefs score in rout of Franklin

On Tuesday at Canton, the Chiefs broke open a tight contest with six second-half goals on the way to a 7-0 triumph over Livonia Franklin.

The victory improved Canton's record to 3-1-3 overall and 1-0 in the KLAAS South Division. The Patriots slipped to 0-5 and 0-1, respectively.

"We only led 1-0 at the half, so Franklin deserves a lot of credit for keeping it close early on," said Canton coach George Tomasso. "Tonight — especially

PREP SOCCER

in the second half — we had great all-around team play. This is a very unselfish team and it showed tonight."

Senior mid-fielder Scott Zech tallied the lone first-half goal off a helper from fellow captain Kyle Breitmeyer.

Six different Chiefs scored second-half goals: Joey Krizanek, Josh Hurst, Collan Baker, Mitch Reinhart, Sheriff Hassanien and Brandon Burt.

Registering second-half assists for the winners were Hassanien (two), Kyle Biega, Reinhart (two) and Zech.

Senior net-minder Nick Turnbull recorded his fourth shutout for Canton.

PLYMOUTH 4, JOHN GLENN 0: In a KLAAS South Division game Tuesday, Brad Finnegan's hat trick propelled the host Wildcats (3-3, 1-0) to a win over Westland John Glenn (1-3-1, 0-1).

Sam Maccini also scored for Plymouth, which scored three

times in the second half after leading 1-0.

"It was a little sloppy, but eventually we took control," Plymouth coach Jeff Neschich said.

Kyle Brindza earned the shutout in goal for the Wildcats.

"We had some opportunities in the first half and could not finish," Glenn first-year coach Jimmy Mortada said. "The second half we got caught pushing up too much. I thought Nelson Kenne played a beautiful game at center midfield."

GRID

FROM PAGE B1

My up-close-and-personal experience with hair-related gridiron motivation techniques came in the fall of 1978 when I was the quarterback (junior, 5-foot-9, 160 pounds) for the Lansing Harry Hill Panthers. Before every game, members of the offensive unit would rub senior running back Aaron Hegman's incredibly large afro, which resembled an over-watered Chia-Pet.

The routine only worked twice in nine games, but — trust me on this one — it wasn't the 'fro's fault.

Led by Redford-Garden City sports editor Tim Smith, all three *Observer* grid-pickers were stylin' last week. Smith went 10-2 followed by myself at 8-4 and Livonia-Westland sports editor Brad Emons, who compiled a 7-5 mark.

Despite our early triumphs, over-confidence will not be an issue due to the football selectors' creed we all adhere to: "Success: Hair today, gone tomorrow..."

FRIDAY'S GAMES

(ALL GAMES START AT 7 P.M.)

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.)

LIVONIA STEVENSON (1-0) AT HOWELL (1-0): This Kensington Lakes Activities Association cross-over clash probably won't provide the down-to-the-last-second thrills that last week's

Stevenson-Livonia Franklin game offered, but it may come close. The Highlanders crushed Walled Lake Northern, 48-17, in Week 1, so they give the Spartans a stern test. **PICKS:** Wright (Howell); Emons (Stevenson); Smith (Howell).

SALEM (0-1) AT WALLED LAKE NORTHERN (0-1): Both of these squads are looking for the kind of early-season triumph that could spark a sudden resurgence following sub-par 2007 campaigns (Salem finished 1-8; Northern was 0-9). After both teams gave up a total of 95 points last week, expect this one to be a barn-burner. **PICKS:** Wright (Salem); Emons (Northern); Smith (Salem).

WATERFORD MOTT (1-0) AT WAYNE MEMORIAL (0-1): Mott's defense turned Westland John Glenn's offense to apple sauce in last week's 7-0 victory over the Rockets. Can it turn the trick again against a team in the same school district? The Zebras hope not. **PICKS:** Wright (Mott); Emons (Mott); Smith (Wayne).

WHITE LAKE LAKELAND (1-0) AT CANTON (1-0): This is the first-ever meeting on the gridiron for the Eagles and Chiefs, both of whom are coming off impressive Week 1 wins. Teams that are facing Canton's run-oriented, ball-faking offense for the first time usually struggle, but Lakeland's offense can score, too. **PICKS:** Wright (Canton); Emons (Lakeland); Smith (Canton).

WALLED LAKE WESTERN (1-0) AT LIVONIA FRANKLIN (0-1): These two squads know each other well after several years of squaring off against one another in the Western Lakes Activities Association's Western Division. The Patriots are still stingy from a tough one-point loss to rival Stevenson while the Warriors are riding a wave of momentum in the wake of their thrilling 22-21 triumph over Monroe. **PICKS:** Wright (Franklin); Emons (Western); Smith (Western).

WATERFORD KETTERING (1-0) AT LIVONIA CHURCHILL (0-1): The Chargers' hopes of getting into the win column for the first time this season won't get any easier against a Kettering defense that yielded just seven points to Wayne last week. **PICKS:** Wright (Churchill); Emons (Kettering); Smith (Kettering).

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN (0-1) AT PINCKNEY (0-1): The Pirates suffered a tough 21-7 setback to Northville last week while the Rockets fell, 7-0, to Waterford Mott. With several ominous opponents on deck, both units need a "W" to

propel them in the right direction. **PICKS:** Wright (John Glenn); Emons (John Glenn); Smith (John Glenn).

BRIGHTON (0-1) AT PLYMOUTH (1-0) AT PCEP junior varsity stadium: Ironically, the Bulldogs will be playing their second straight game on the PCEP campus's junior varsity field, so they may have home-field advantage — at least for a few minutes. The Wildcats took to the air last week as quarterbacks Matt Skubik and Ryan Barrera combined for five TD passes. **PICKS:** Wright (Plymouth); Emons (Brighton); Smith (Plymouth).

BLOOMFIELD HILLS CRANBROOK-KINGSWOOD (0-1) AT LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE (1-0): Clarenceville made a statement in last week's 53-0 trouncing of Detroit University Prep while Cranbrook was dropping a 47-14 decision to Detroit Loyola. **PICKS:** Wright (Clarenceville); Emons (Clarenceville); Smith (Clarenceville).

GARDEN CITY (1-0) AT ROMULUS (0-1): Could this be the year of the Cougar? Judging by last week's convincing win over Taylor Kennedy, the answer could be a resounding "Yes." **PICKS:** Wright (Garden City); Emons (Garden City); Smith (Garden City).

RIVER ROUGE (0-1) AT REDFORD THURSTON (0-1): The Eagles will look to get on track after getting clipped in their opener by Crosswell-Lexington. Mega Gold rival River Rouge is hoping to rebound from a demoralizing 28-point loss to Harper Woods. **PICKS:** Wright (Thurston); Emons (Thurston); Smith (Thurston).

WYANDOTTE ROOSEVELT (1-0) AT REDFORD UNION (1-0): This game may prove to be one of the marquee matchups in the Mega White this week as both squads look to start the season unbeaten. **PICKS:** Wright (RU); Emons (Wyandotte); Smith (RU).

REDFORD COVENANT (1-0) AT DETROIT LOYOLA (1-0) - 4 p.m.: The Loyola defense better be prepared to deal with Covenant wide receiver Jamonne Chester, who's headed to Indiana to play football in 2009. **PICKS:** Wright (Loyola); Emons (Loyola); Smith (Covenant).

SATURDAY'S GAME HARPER WOODS (1-0) AT LUTHERAN WESTLAND (0-1): Things can only get better for the Warriors, who were drubbed by Dearborn Heights Annapolis in their 2008 debut. **PICKS:** Wright (Harper Woods); Emons (Harper Woods); Smith (Harper Woods).

THE WEEK AHEAD

- PREP FOOTBALL**
Friday, Sept. 5
Lakeland at Canton, 7 p.m.
Brighton at Plymouth at PCEP JV Stadium, 7 p.m.
Salem at W.L. Northern, 7 p.m.
- PREP BOYS SOCCER**
Thursday, Sept. 4
Canton at Churchill, 7 p.m.
Plymouth at Franklin, 7 p.m.
- Friday, Sept. 5**
Plymouth at Dexter, 4 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 6**
Salem at East Lansing Invite, 11:15 a.m.
- GIRLS PREP SWIMMING**
Thursday, Aug. 28
Plymouth at Tecumseh, 6:30 p.m.
Salem at WSU Warrior Relays, 5 p.m.
- PREP VOLLEYBALL**
Saturday, Sept. 6
Plymouth, Canton and Salem at Madonna Invitational at Plymouth, 8:30 a.m.
- GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY**
Saturday, Sept. 6
Canton at Dexter Invite, 7 a.m.
Salem at Brother Rice Invitational at Kensington Park, 9:30 a.m.
Plymouth at Bath Invitational, 8:30 a.m.
- BOYS CROSS COUNTRY**
Thursday, Sept. 4
Plymouth at Ypsi Early Bird Invitational at Ypsilanti H.S., 4:15 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 6**
Salem at Brother Rice Invitational at Kensington Park, 8:30 a.m.
Plymouth at Detroit Titan Invite at Cass Benton, 10:25 a.m.
- BOYS TENNIS**
Saturday, Sept. 6
Wildcat Invitational, 8 a.m.
- WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL**
Thursday, Sept. 4
Flint Mott CC at Schoolcraft, 7 p.m.
- Friday, Sept. 5**
(Julie Martin Memorial at Madonna) Madonna vs. Davenport, 3 p.m.
Madonna vs. Cedarville (Ohio), 7 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 6**
(Julie Martin Memorial at Madonna) Madonna vs. Univ. of Windsor, 9:30 a.m.
Madonna vs. Spring Arbor, 1:30 p.m.
- NEWS COLLEGE SOCCER**
Friday, Sept. 5
Schoolcraft at Suffolk CC (N.Y.), 2 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 6**
Schoolcraft at Nassau CC (N.Y.), noon.
- WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER**
Friday, Sept. 5
Schoolcraft at Elgin CC (Ill.), 5 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 6**
Schoolcraft at DuPage CC (Ill.), 11 a.m.
- TBA** — time to be announced.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

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

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

Publish: September 4, 11, 18 & 25, 2008

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan will accept sealed proposals at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, September 25, 2008 for the following:

LEGAL NOTICES AND CLASSIFIED PUBLICATIONS

Proposals may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on our website at www.canton-mi.org, or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: 734/394-5225. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

Publish: September 4, 2008

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

CONSIDERATION OF AJITEN, LLC. REQUESTING A CLASS C LICENSE WITH SUNDAY SALES PERMIT LOCATED AT 42087 FORD ROAD, CANTON, MICHIGAN, 48187, CANTON TOWNSHIP, WAYNE COUNTY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to Liquor License Ordinance, Chapter 6, Article II of the Charter Township of Canton, that the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a **Public Hearing on Tuesday, September 23, 2008**, in the Township Administration Building, Board Room, 1150 South Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan at 7:00 p.m. for the following purpose:

To hear and for testimony to consider and recommend an action to the Michigan Liquor License Commission of the request of AJITEN, LLC. requesting a Class C License, with Sunday Sales Permit, located at 42087 Ford Road, Canton, Michigan, Canton Township, Wayne County.

All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and will be offered an opportunity at said hearing to voice any comments they may have regarding this request. Written comments may also be submitted to the Township Clerk's Office at 1150 South Canton Center Road, Canton MI 48188 prior to the hearing date.

Terry G. Bennett, Clerk

Publish: September 4, 2008

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, September 18, 2008 for the following:

LOCAL AREA NETWORK EQUIPMENT UPGRADE

Bids may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on our website at www.canton-mi.org, or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: 734/394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

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PURCHASE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT WEAPONS (REBID)

Bids may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on our website at www.canton-mi.org, or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: 734/394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

Publish: 9/4/2008

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan will accept sealed proposals at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, October, 30 2008 for the following:

INDOOR MURAL OR WALL DESIGN SERVICES

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TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

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Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings- August 26, 2008

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, August 26, 2008, at 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. **Roll Call** Members Present: Bennett, Caccamo, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Yack Members Absent: Kirchgatter, Zarbo Staff Present: Director Eva, Executive Director Santomauro, Director Conklin, Director Faas **Adoption of Agenda** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by all members present. **Approval of Minutes** Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the Board Minutes of August 12, 2008. Motion carried by all members present. **Payment of Bills** Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by McLaughlin to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried by all members present. **PUBLIC HEARING: Item 1. PUBLIC HEARING FOR CONSIDERATION OF FINAL APPROVAL OF THE PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT OAKWOOD HEALTH CARE MEDICAL CAMPUS. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to open the public hearing at 7:02 p.m. to hear comment on consideration of Final Approval of the Planned Development District Oakwood Health Care Medical Campus for 12 years. Motion carried by all members present. Doug Welday spoke in favor. Arlene Ladell, Bruce Cobb, Tom Earles and Kiki Glenski spoke in opposition. Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to close the public hearing at 8:13 p.m. to hear comment on consideration of Final Approval of the Planned Development District Oakwood Health Care Medical Campus. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adopt the resolution for Oakwood Medical Campus Preliminary Planned Development. Motion carried by all members present. **CONSENT CALENDAR: Item 1. ACCEPTANCE OF BOARD OF CANVASSER'S REPORT FOR THE AUGUST 5, 2008 PRIMARY ELECTION RESULTS. (CLERK)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to accept the report of the Board of Canvasser's meeting on August 6, 2008 and certification to the August 5, 2008 Primary Election to the meeting minutes of the Board of Trustees on August 26, 2008. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 2. APPOINTMENT TO THE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION. (FBD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the Township Supervisor's nomination of Rex Harvey to fill Charles McBay's open position on the Historic District Commission with a term effective through April 30, 2010. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 3. SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT STATUS AND THE INSTALLATION OF SIGNS FOR CAFFE ITALIA TO HOST A MUSIC CONCERT FUNDRAISER TO BENEFIT CANTON HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve special event status for Caffè Italia, 41985 Ford Road to host a music concert in the late afternoon on 8-30-2008 to benefit the Canton High School Football Team. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 4. SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT STATUS AND THE INSTALLATION OF SIGNS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY FOR ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH SERVICES TO BE HELD AT THE SUMMIT ON THE PARK ON SUNDAY MORNINGS. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve special event status and the placement of a sign at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway each Sunday morning to announce the presence of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church services in the Maple/Oak Room. Signs will also be placed at locations for August 26th thru September 28, 2008. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 5. SET THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR A CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE WITH SUNDAY SALES FOR AJITEN, LLC, 42087 FORD ROAD, CANTON TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN, WAYNE COUNTY. (CLERK)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to set the public hearing date for September 23, 2008 to consider a Class C Liquor License with Sunday Sales for AJITEN, LLC, 42087 Ford Road, Canton, MI, 48187, (Parcel ID #053-99-0012-008) Wayne County. Motion carried by all members present. **GENERAL CALENDAR: Item 1. CONSIDER SPECIAL LAND USE FOR NATIONAL HERITAGE ACHIEVE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt the resolution for special land use approval for a public school for National Heritage Achieve Academy. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Nays: Abstain: Bennett (recused due to an interest in the property). Motion carried. **Item 2. CONSIDER SPECIAL LAND USE FOR MEDICAL OFFICE FOR BEAUMONT MEDICAL CENTER. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adopt the resolution for special land use approval for Medical Offices for Beaumont Medical Center. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 3. APPROVAL OF UNION CONTRACT FOR LOCAL 2289 OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS (IAFF). (FBD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the collective bargaining agreement between Canton Township and Local 2289 of the International Association of Firefighters (IAFF) to run from July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2011. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 4. FIREWALL REPLACEMENT. (FBD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the purchase of computer network firewall replacement equipment from Micro Source, Inc. in the amount of \$4,000, three year support and maintenance cost of \$1,700 and three year web anti-virus subscription cost of \$3,700, for a total cost of \$9,400 (Capital Outlay Computer and Equipment account 101.258.970-0010). Motion carried by all members present. **Item 5. EXPANSION OF VIRTUALIZATION SERVICES FOR TOWNSHIP SERVERS. (FBD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the purchase of hardware and software solutions which will permit ITS to continue the process of virtualization of existing server resources. All items being purchased will be purchased through MicroSource, Inc. from the Hewlett Packard / State of Michigan 2008 Technology Contract : MI - REMC (WSCAI) (HP-WSCA-04). The purchase will consist of the following items: Hewlett Packard Server - DL380 G5 Hardware \$ 7,500, VMware ESX Server v3.5 Enterprise Edition \$ 4,800, VMware Virtual Center Management Server License Software \$ 4,200, A separate purchase order to Micro Source, Inc. in the amount of \$ 2,400 to allow the purchase of additional backup software licensing to accommodate the additional resources. Grand Total of both purchase orders not to exceed: \$ 18,900 (101.258.970-0010, Capital Outlay Computer and Equipment). Motion carried by all members present. **Item 6. APPROVE BID FOR SERVER FOR TOWNSHIP'S CANTON COMMUNITY TELEVISION. (FBD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the bid with Roscor Corporation for \$13,969 for a Leightrix Ultra Nexus Server for the Township's Canton Community Television Cable Station. I further move to approve the following budget amendment to cover project costs: Increase Revenues: Appropriation from fund balance # 230-000.695 \$13,969, Increase Appropriations: Capital Outlay Computers and Equipment # 230-250-970.0010 \$13,969. This budget amendment increases the Cable TV Fund budget from \$990,000 to \$1,003,969. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 7. APPROVE PRICE QUOTE TO INSTALL HISTORICAL STREET LIGHTS AT CHERRY HILL SCHOOL. (FBD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the price quote from Basic Electric and Telephone Services for \$7,350 (account number 101-803-970_0020 Capital Outlay Historical) to install seven street lights on the Cherry Hill School site. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 8. CONSIDER APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT OF THE ELECTION CODING FOR THE AUGUST 5, 2008 PRIMARY ELECTION. (CLERK)** Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the payment for election software program coding for the August 5, 2008 Primary Election for \$7,121.00 (Elections - Contracted Services (Account Number 101-191.801.0050) to Election Systems and Software, Inc. 6055 Paysphere Circle, Chicago, IL 60674. Motion carried by all members present. Anthony Cauchi, 7410 Kingsboro Dr., spoke on the assault weapons that were denied on the August 12, 2008 Board meeting. **OTHER:** Supervisor Yack stated there will be a study session on September 2, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. on the Budget at the Administration Building, Computer Training Room, Third Floor, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. **ADJOURN:** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adjourn at 8:57 p.m. Motion carried by all members present. - Thomas J. Yack, Supervisor - Terry G. Bennett, Clerk - Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI 48188, during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site www.canton-mi.org after Board Approval. Publish: September 4, 2008

Madonna kickers win 2 of 3

The Madonna University men's soccer team finished its west coast road trip with a 2-1 record after dropping its first match of the season Monday to Bellevue (Neb.), 2-1, in double-overtime in a match hosted by Point Loma Nazarene.

Casey Friend's goal in the 105th minute from Mark Heath-Preston and Tom Garrick proved to be the game-winner in a match played off the shores of the Pacific Ocean in San Diego, Calif.

Garrick's goal in the 79th minute from Trevor Eastman knotted the count at 1-all after MU led 1-0 on Mark Pikula's goal from Doron Draï in the 11th minute.

MU goalkeeper Steve Besk made 12 saves in the loss, while counterpart Sebastian Narvaez had to make only four stops.

Both teams are now 2-1 on the season.

In a match Saturday at Point Loma, MU rallied past MidAmerica Nazarene University (Kan.), 2-1, as newcomer Corbin Titus tallied the game-winner in the 70th minute after being set up by Draï.

MidAmerica's Jon Lemon scored on a penalty kick after being fouled inside the 18-yard line at the 9:16 mark of the first half, but MU answered four minutes later on Emilio Giorgi's goal after taking feeds from Draï and Daniel Amaya.

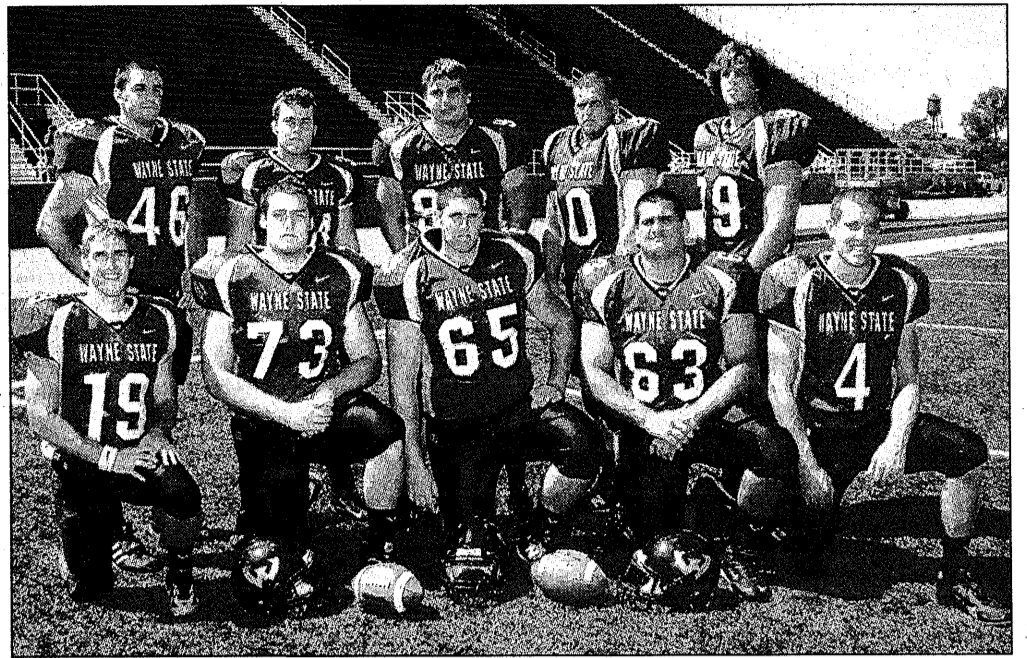
Besk had to make just two saves in the victory.

Much like Friday's 2-1 OT win over host Point Loma, Saturday's match became physical with five cards handed out.

LADY OCELOTS ROMP

On Saturday, the Schoolcraft women's soccer team opened its 2008 season with a 5-1 triumph over visiting Jackson Community College.

Meanwhile, the Schoolcraft College men's soccer team stands at 1-0-1 overall following a 7-0 victory Wednesday in an MCCA Eastern Conference opener at Kellogg CC.



Local Warriors

Two Canton High School graduates are members of the 2008 Wayne State University football team. Ryan Jonik (pictured above third from left in front row) is a two-year letter winner and Will Khoury (second from left in front row) is a red-shirt freshman. Both former Chiefs are offensive linemen.

Crusader spikers off to torrid start

The 10th-ranked Madonna University women's volleyball team returned home from San Diego with an 8-1 overall record after winning three of four matches in last weekend's Seaside Invitational hosted by Point Loma Nazarene (Calif.).

On Saturday, MU split a pair of top-ten clashes defeating No. 9 College of Idaho in five games, 22-25, 25-22, 25-18, 25-21, 15-2, before losing to the host Sea Lions, in four games, 20-25, 25-22, 19-25, 21-25.

MU overcame a 21-kill performance College of Idaho's Sarah Buhler, led by Lubovj Tihomirova and Whitney Fuelling's 14 kills apiece.

The Crusader duo, both named to the All-Tournament team, also combined for 15 block-assists.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Mary McGinnis added 10 kills in the win, while setter Inta Grinvalds finished with a season-high 45 assist-to-kills. Brynn Kerr (Livonia Churchill/Schoolcraft College) and Grinvalds contributed 13 and 10 digs, respectively.

The loss dropped College of Idaho to 2-4 overall.

In the final match of the Seaside Invitational, three Point Loma players reached double figures in kills, led by Tabitha Henken's 19, as the Sea Lions improved to 4-0.

Setters Kyle Morel and Amanda Bevins each collected 24 assists, while Courtney Fleck had a team-best 15 digs.

Tihomirova and Megan

Fricke paced the MU offense with 17 and 13 kills, respectively.

Grinvalds added 43 assists and 11 digs, while Kerr recorded a team-high 14 digs.

On Friday, Tihomirova and Fuelling recorded for 24 and 19 kills, respectively, as the Crusaders improved to 7-0 with wins over Ashford (Ia.), 25-22, 25-15, 25-21, and Mount Marty (S.D.), 25-11, 25-17, 25-15.

Grinvalds also added a total of 55 assist-to-kills in the two matches, while Kerr led the defense with a total of 25 digs.

Ashford, getting 15 kills from Jenny Buelow and 10 from Aubree Rhoades, fell to 0-2 overall.

Mount Marty dropped to 1-3 overall.

SPORTS BRIEFS

O&E Men's golf

The 2008 *Observer & Eccentric* Men's Open 36-hole medal play event will be Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 20-21, at Livonia's Fox Creek and Whispering Willows golf courses.

The entry fee is \$95 (cart not included) with a maximum handicap of 20.

Entries close at 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13. Entries will be limited to the first 200 golfers.

(Starting times and pairings will be available after noon on Thursday, Sept. 18.)

For more information, call (248) 476-4493.

Arctic Edge 'Learn to Skate'

Open registration for Fall 2008 Learn to Skate classes presented by the Arctic Figure Skating Club is currently ongoing at the Arctic Edge Ice Arena in Canton for kids between the ages of 4 and 12.

Learn to skate classes begin Sept. 20 and run every Saturday through Nov. 8 from 10-11 a.m. Classes are grouped by age and ability.

The Arctic Figure Skating Club and Arctic Edge Ice Arena will also be offering TOT classes for children between the ages of three-and-a-half and 6 years old. Two classes are being offered, one starting Tuesday, Sept. 16, and another that will run from Thursday, Sept. 18 to Nov. 6 from 12:15 p.m. to 1 p.m.

All classes will be 30 minutes of instruction with 15 minutes of free time.

For more information, including levels of instruction, registration, private lessons, teams and competitive opportunities, call Arctic Edge Ice Arena at (734) 487-7777.

Alumni soccer

All former Salem and Canton boys soccer players are invited to participate in the annual "Alumni Game" on Saturday, Sept. 13, at 7 p.m.

The alumni game will follow the Rocks and Chiefs varsity game, which is set to kick off at 5:30 p.m.

Former Salem players interested in playing should call Ed McCarthy at (248) 561-2846. Former Canton players should contact George Tomasso at (734) 812-2290.

Sunday fall hoops

The Madonna University men's basketball program and All-Star Basketball Camps will stage its 2008 fall basketball league on Sundays, Sept. 7 through Oct. 26.

The league will provide instruction in preparation for the upcoming winter basketball season from NU players.

Division II (ages 11-13) starts at 1 p.m. each followed by Division I at 3 p.m.

The cost is \$125 per player (includes reversible game jersey with number).

For more information, call Chuck Henry at (734) 432-5991 (office) or (734) 398-5975 (home); or e-mail him at chenry@madonna.edu.

Plymouth YMCA fall sports

The Plymouth Family YMCA is accepting registrations for its fall sports programs, which are filled on a first come-first served basis.

Fall soccer leagues are forming for children between the ages of 4 and 11.

Practices begin the week of Sept. 15 and games start Saturday, Sept. 20.

There is one practice a week and one game a week. The cost is \$63 for members and \$95 for community members, and all participants need a YMCA Youth Sports reversible jersey, which costs \$15.

Girls Volleyball leagues are forming for children between the ages of 8 and 11. Practices begin the week of Sept. 15 and games start Friday, Sept. 19. There is one practice a week and one game a week.

The cost is \$65 for YMCA members and \$97 for community members, and all participants will need to purchase a YMCA youth sports reversible jersey for \$15.

Volunteers, referees and anyone else needing more information can call (734) 453-2904.

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RELIGION CALENDAR

To submit an item for the religion calendar, fax it to (734) 591-7279 or write: Religion Calendar, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. Deadline for an announcement to appear in the Thursday edition is noon Monday.

SEPTEMBER

Charity basketball game
The Council of Orthodox Christian Churches of Metropolitan Detroit (COCC) and Wright & Filippis sponsor a charity basketball game 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 4, at Franklin High School, 31000 Joy, Livonia, for the benefit of Children's Hospital of Michigan. Teams are the Amputee Spartans and the Saints. Half-time activities include 50/50 drawing and silent auction. Suggested donation \$10 adults, \$5 seniors and children ages 11-18, children 10 and under free. For tickets or details, contact Richard Shebib at (734) 422-0278 or pascha-books@sbcglobal.net, or Brad Shebib at (248) 829-8327 or bshebib@wright-filippis.com. The Spartans are a team of amputees. The Saints are volunteers from COCC member churches. COCC church members interested in playing for team may contact (313)

770-3733 or fakhourn@cooley.edu.
Kirby 5k run
10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 6, at Willow Metro Park, Big Bend. For details go to www.kirbychurch.com.

Mom to Mom Sale
Features 75 moms selling their kids' clothes, toys, books/DVD's, baby equipment, etc., that their families have outgrown 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6, at Connection Church, 3855 Sheldon, north of Michigan Ave., Canton. Admission \$1. Refreshments available. Strollers welcome. For information, visit mom2momlist.com.

Bethany Suburban West
Monthly dance 8 p.m. until midnight Saturday, Sept. 6, at St. Robert Bellarmine, 27101 W. Chicago at Inkster Rd., Redford. No dance lesson this month. Cost \$10, refreshments included. Doors open a 7:30 p.m. Call Diane K. for information, (734) 261-5716. Bethany is a Catholic organization under the auspices of the Archdiocese of the Detroit and provides spiritual, social and educational assistance through peer-to-peer ministry to divorced and separated of all Christian faiths.

Yard sale

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Redford. Food and drinks available. Call (313) 538-2660 or (313) 533-1646.
Seekers of spiritual intelligence
Beacon Hill Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) pastors use the Bible to identify spiritual gifts that may be yours 1 p.m. Sunday worship services in September at St. Michael Lutheran Church Chapel, 7000 N. Sheldon, south of Warren, Canton (enter through south double doors next to play area) For information, call (313) 402-6900 or (313) 806-PRAY, send e-mail to beaconhillcdoc@aol.com.

Rally day
For Immanuel Lutheran Church 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 7, at 27035 Ann Arbor Trail, east of Inkster Rd., Dearborn Heights. Sunday School starts Sept. 14 at 10:30 a.m. Visitors welcome.

Wednesday activities
Have resumed at 7 p.m. at Grace Christian Fellowship, on the west side of Middlebelt, one block south of Six Mile. The special four week study focuses on the Hebrew Roots of Our Christian Faith, taught by Yvonne Moore. For information, visit www.

gcfellowship.org or call (734) 525-6019.

Remembering Sept. 11
Program hosting Dr. A. T. Ariyaratne, from Sri Lanka, a Nobel Peace Prize Nominee, Gandhi Peace Prize Winner and Founder of Sarvodaya, hosted by Detroit West District Peace Center 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11, at Hope United Methodist Church, 26275 Northwestern Highway at Lahser, Southfield. Includes interfaith prayers offered by Christians, Jews, Muslims, Sikhs, and Hindus and others coming together in unity for peace with music, songs, liturgical dancing, and lighting of candles for peace. The public is welcome. For information, call (248) 356-1020, Ext. 137.

Dorje Chang is living in America
Presentation focusing on reincarnation of the highest leader of Buddhism, HH Dorje Chang Buddha III, 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11, at 960 E. Jefferson, Detroit. For information, visit www.zhaxizhuoma.net/. Respected Zhaxi Zhuoma, a close disciple of HH Dorje Chang Buddha III will lead the congregation in Detroit.

Music at St. John's
Opens the 2008-2009 concert series with a performance by Scott Woolweaver, an internationally renowned violist, 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 12, at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth. No charge and open to the public. For more information, call (734) 453-0190.

Mom to Mom Sale
10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, at Wellspring Church, 36350 W. Eight Mile, Farmington (north side of Eight Mile between Halsted and Gill). For more information, call (248) 471-4667.

Tent sale
Begins at 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 37775 Palmer, Westland. Household items, specialties like Avon, candles, tools, houseplants, books and crafts. Also a used clothing sale inside the church for \$2 a plastic grocery bag. All proceeds donated to area organizations to help people in the community. Cost to participate is \$25 if you bring your own table, \$35 to use one of the church's 8-foot tables. For details, call (734) 722-1735 or (734) 722-4363.

Victorian fashion show/tea
Shows at 2 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, at First Presbyterian Church of Northville. Tickets \$10 adults, \$5 students age 12 and under. Red Hat Society members receive \$1 discount for 3:30 p.m. show. For information, visit www.firstpresville.org/firstarts.html. For directions, visit www.firstpresville.org.

Mom to mom sale
9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, at St. Mel Church, 7506 Inkster Rd., Dearborn Heights. Tables \$25. Call (734) 525-3607 or (313) 274-0684 by Sept. 8.

Bethany Suburban West
Monthly breakfast meeting 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, at Leon's 30149 Ford Rd. next to Tim Horton's, Garden City. All separated, divorced and singles welcome; for details call, Kathy M. (734) 513-9479. Bethany is a Catholic organization under the auspices of the Archdiocese of the Detroit and provides spiritual, social and educational assistance through peer-to-peer ministry to the divorced and separated of all Christian faiths.

Celebration
This year, Israel celebrates a significant milestone that provides a great opportunity to celebrate the achievements and history of the Jewish State. In honor of this momentous occasion, The Russian Chapter of American Friends of Magen David Adom (Israel's equivalent to the Red Cross) will host a celebration 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, at Adat Shalom, Farmington Hills. The evening includes Russian-Jewish delicacies, entertainment by Ben Opengheim, door prizes and auction. Tickets \$90, with proceeds benefiting ARMDI. Friends and families of all faiths and backgrounds welcome, but space is limited. For details, visit www.lifetosave.org.

Organ recital
Robert Bates, associate professor of organ at University of Houston, performs 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 22, at Metropolitan United Methodist Church, 8000 Woodward, north of Grand Blvd., Detroit. \$10 per person at the door or call (313) 875-7407. Reception follows concert. Free supervised parking adjacent to church.

Sacred music concert
Let the Heavens Rejoice: Sacred Hymns of the Carpathian Mountains, the seminary choir of the Blessed Theofore Romzha Theological Academy of Uzhorod, Ukraine sing selections from liturgical services and religious hymns in Church Slavonic 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, at Sacred Heart Byzantine Catholic Church, 29125 Six Mile, Livonia. No charge, but free will offering requested to support the seminary. Open to the public. Several audio and video recordings will be available. For information, call (734) 522-3166 or visit www.seminaryconcert-tour.com.

Mom to mom sale
9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Call

(734) 422-0149.
Safety/health fair
10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, physical fitness competitions for kids, bicycle safety, health screenings for adults, parent information on child safety and health, free car seat inspections by Canton police officers, child safety identification, at All Saints Catholic School parking lot and gym, 48735 Warren, between Beck and Ridge, Canton. For more information, call (734) 459-2490.

Marian rally
Sunday, Sept. 28, join the Felician Sisters of Livonia as they honor the Blessed Virgin Mary at the annual Marian Rally beginning at noon with the Celebration of the Eucharist (Mass), in the Motherhouse Chapel, 36800 Schoolcraft, Livonia, followed by the praying of the rosary alternating decades in English and Spanish at the shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa at 1:30 p.m., and a procession to the Fatima Shrine and Crowning of Our Lady, by students from St. Adalbert Parish, South Bend, Ind. Refreshments available after the liturgy. Wheelchair participants welcome. Parking available at Montessori Center of Our Lady at Newburgh entrance. For information call (734) 591-1730.

Bethany hay ride
Saturday, Sept. 27, for Bethany Suburban West and Bethany South in South Rockwood. Cost is \$20, includes hay ride, hot dogs with all the fixings plus beverages and a DJ. They have an indoor facility for dining and dancing. Call Kathy M. at (734) 513-9479 or Judy at (313) 389-4730 for tickets.

Spirit of Manresa
Dinner and auction begins with 5:30 p.m. Mass Saturday, Sept. 27, at The Marriott at Centerpoint, 3600 Centerpoint Parkway, Pontiac. Cost \$150, \$250 patron, includes dinner, silent and live auctions, dancing. Call (248) 644-4933, Ext. 34 or visit www.manresa-sj.org. Manresa Jesuit Retreat House is a place of quiet, peace and prayer that seeks to help people grow in their spiritual life.

Parenting class
Parenting Families DVD based classes help address issues in a positive way that will enhance your family life, from 6:30-8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 29 to Nov. 3, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Rd., north of I-96, Livonia. For information, call (734) 522-6830. Please register at www.christsavior.org under Adult Fall Classes.

UPCOMING

Crop walk
Sunday, Oct. 5, at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, Livonia. For information, call John Hirtzel at (248) 477-5181.

Tiny Tots Preschool
Now enrolling for 2008-2009, openings for 3- and 4-year olds at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia. Cost \$25 for the first child, \$20 for each child thereafter. Call (734) 464-0211.

Crafters wanted
The Women's Guild of St. Michael Catholic Church of Livonia invites all interested crafters to participate in their annual Craft Fair and Bake Sale 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25, in the cafeteria of St. Michael's School, 11441 Hubbard, south of Plymouth Rd. 8-foot-long tables are available for rent at \$25 each. Applications available at parish office or on-line at www.livonia-stmichael.org. A photo of the item(s) sold must be submitted.

Fall craft show
Applications are now being accepted for the Fall Craft Show noon to 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 24, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25, at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh, Livonia. For details, call (734) 464-0990.

ONGOING

Thursday fellowship dinner
All are welcome, 6 p.m. dinners catered by The Cookie Lady, Susan Navarro, at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Cost is \$8. Call (313) 534-7730.

Eucharistic adoration
St. Michael the Archangel Church in Livonia continues its monthly program of Prayer and Eucharistic Adoration on the third Wednesday of each month. The church will be open for prayer and private worship from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Benediction service in the evening. All are welcome. Call (734) 261-1455.

Worship schedule
11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sunday (9:45 a.m. Sunday School), at Community Free Will Baptist Church, 33031 Cherry Hill, west of Venoy, Westland. Wednesday prayer and Bible study is 7 p.m. Youth fellowship every other Friday at 7 p.m.

Time change
Come to hear about the love of Jesus Christ for you 9:30 a.m. Sundays (May 25 to Sept. 7) at Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile, west of Middlebelt, Livonia. For information, visit www.livonfaith.org.

between Lyndon and the I-96 service drive. The Web site is www.hischurch.us.

Reformed Protestant services
The doctrines and teachings of solid, Reformed Protestantism are preached by the Rev. Sean Humby 3:30 p.m. Sundays at the Detroit Preaching Station of the Free Church of Scotland (Continuing), at Cherry Hill School, 50440 Cherry Hill, corner of Ridge, Canton. For information, call (734) 402-7186, send e-mail to sean.humby@att.net, or visit www.members.aol.com/rsiworship/detroit.html.

Sanskrit chanting
An ongoing, weekly class taught by Ania Kocczynski, 7-8:30 p.m. Thursdays, at Renaissance Unity, 11200 E. 11 Mile, Warren. No pre-registration required. A free-will collection taken at the session. For information, call (586) 353-2300 or visit www.renaissanceunity.org.

Church schedule
Garden City Presbyterian Church continues its 10 a.m. Sunday worship service with traditional hymns, scripture readings and choral music (fellowship follows). Youth Sunday School and nursery care also available at 10 a.m. Adult Sunday School at 8:30 a.m. Informal gathering 6 p.m. every Sunday with scriptures and discussion at the church on Middlebelt, one block south of Ford Rd. Call (734) 421-7620.

Single Place Ministry
Single Place Ministry continues to meet Thursdays 7:30-7:45 p.m. for social time, 7:45-8 p.m. opening, 8-9 p.m. program, at First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main St., Northville. Call (248) 349-0911 or visit www.singleplace.org. Cost is \$5.

Prince of Peace Church
Recovery, Inc., meets at 10 a.m., every Wednesday at the church, Walnut Lake Road and Green, West Bloomfield. Recovery, Inc., is an international, non-profit, self-help community based service organization that helps people with nervous and emotional disorders reduce their suffering and improve their quality of life. Call Martha Paul at (248) 682-9362 or e-mail her at marthapaul@sbcglobal.net.

Tai Chi and strength classes
Orchard United Methodist Church is hosting a Tai Chi class 7-8:30 p.m. Mondays in the Mac at the church, 30450 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills. The cost per class is \$10 or \$40 prepaid for five classes. The strength class takes place 9:30-10:30 a.m. Monday and Wednesday. Cost is \$5 per class. Drop-ins welcome. For information, call (248) 626-3620 or visit www.orchardumc.org.

Church offerings
Riverside Park Church of God, Sunday worship is at 10 a.m., Wednesday bible classes (child through adult) at 7 p.m. Youth outings held monthly. The senior group (age 50 plus) has lunch together every month. The men get together for breakfast the first Saturday of the month plus we offer choir practice for all singers. All visitors welcome. The church is at 11771 Newburgh at Plymouth Road, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990 for information.

Church services
Want a unique church experience? Join in Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. for a service that will lift your entire family, but be prepared for what will happen after just one service at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh (corner of Plymouth Road), Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990 for information.

Tai Chi class
Orchard United Methodist Church, 30450 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills, is hosting a Tai Chi Class by Sam Purdy, Wu Style Tai Chi. This meditative form of Martial Arts is great for reducing stress and is great for over-all health memory and balance. Everyone is welcome from beginning to experienced participants at any time. Classes continue every Monday. Cost per class depends on number of participants. For information or to reserve your space, call (248) 701-1587 or (248) 626-3620. Visit www.orchardumc.org for updates.

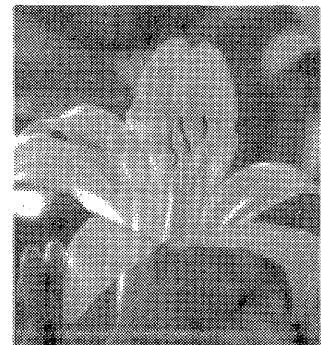
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Open Wednesdays 9:30-11:30 a.m. and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Call (313) 534-7730.

Living Water series
Mark McGilvrey leads a 10-week video series called H2O starting 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 13, at Memorial Church of Christ, 35475 Five Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 464-6722. The group is open to men and women who would like to review the basic teachings of Jesus who claimed to be living water.

Couple prayer series
St. Colette Church, 17600 Newburgh, Livonia, is offering a Couple Prayer Series (www.coupleprayer.org) for married or engaged couple, began 7-9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 4, in the Activity Center Hall. For registration information, call Mary Ellen at (734) 464-4435.

New schedule
9 a.m. Sunday school for all ages and Faith Forum, 10 a.m. Worship Service with Communion and nursery, at Holy

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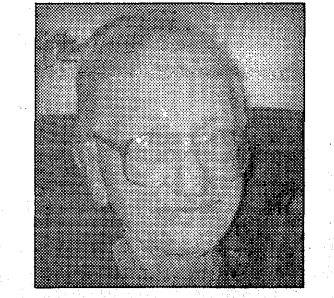
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BETTY JO FUGATE
83, of Brazil, passed away at St. Vincent Clay Hospital September 2, 2008 at 3:10am. Born in Brazil, she was the daughter of Cornwell R. "Comie" and Anna (Stott) Treager. Mrs. Fugate graduated from Brazil High School with the class of 1943. July 5, 1945 she married Norman G. Fugate. Although she spent much of her life as a homemaker, she also worked as a realtor and later as a real estate broker. Betty was the first woman realtor in Brazil having worked for Paul Cunningham, Aaron Royer and Gayle Hughes. In her spare time she enjoyed collecting antiques, working crossword puzzles and watching the news. She is preceded in death by her parents, husband Norman Fugate and brother Robert E. Treager. Survivors include her son: Norman G. Fugate Jr. and wife Lynne of Shelby Township, Michigan; and daughter: Pamela J. Fugate of Brazil; grandchildren: Gregory G. Fugate and wife Allyson and Geoffrey E. Fugate and wife Kim; great grandchildren: Graham Fugate and Landon Fugate. Services will be at French Funeral Home Saturday September 6, 2008 at 11:00am with Rev. William Price officiating. Burial will follow at Clearview Cemetery. Visitation will be at the funeral home Friday from 4-8pm. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Clay County Humane Society. Sign a heart of condolence at www.frenchfuneral-home.com

ESTHER DEXTER
Of Birmingham, age 88, died peacefully on August 19, 2008. Esther was born A. Esther Hall on October 12, 1919, in Syracuse, NY. Her husband, Leonard, predeceased her in 1995. The couple moved to Birmingham when Leonard was transferred here by Chrysler. Esther worked in a Birmingham insurance agency. Esther was a member of Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Birmingham, for nearly 50 years, served on the church's Altar Guild and was a THAW (The Heat and Warmth Fund) volunteer. Esther was active throughout her life. She was a thirty-year volunteer at Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak. She was also a BASCC volunteer and member. She enjoyed bowling and was a member of the Birmingham Seniors Friday Thunderbird Lanes Bowling League. She was an avid golfer, hitting a hole in one with a three wood on the fourth hole at Birmingham's Lincoln Hills golf course on August 28, 1996. She also enjoyed bicycling, swimming and travel. Esther is survived by a nephew, David Nicholson of West Monroe, NY, a step-niece, Joanne Blake of Syracuse, NY, and numerous cousins. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, September 6, at 11:00 am at Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, 1800 W. Maple Rd., Birmingham. An inurnment service will be held in New York. In lieu of flowers, memorial tributes to the church or the charity of donor's choice are suggested. View obituary and share memories at www.DesmondFuneralHome.com.

MICHAEL K. HUSSEINI
August 29, 2008. Age 18. Beloved son of Samy (Hanaa) Hussein and Janine Hill-Zubaidi (Abraham). Loving brother of Alexandria, Ali, Laura, Sarah, and Adam. Dearest grandson of Agnes (the late Kenneth) Hill and Mounira (the late Ali) Hussein. Also survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends. Funeral Service Wednesday 1 p.m. at the Neely-Turovski Funeral Home, 30200 Five Mile Road (Bet. Middlebelt and Merriman), Livonia. Visitation Monday 5-9 p.m. and Tuesday 2-9 p.m. www.neely-turovski.com



PAUL C. CAPEHART, "Pap Pap"
August 31, 2008 age 81 of Westland. Beloved husband of Betty. Dear father of Johnnie (Thelma). Step-father of Ron (Carol) Marshall and Robin (Ron) Griffin. Brother of the late Vernon and Ruby Dull. Also survived by many grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and many other family and friends. Memorial service may be set at a later date. Arrangements entrusted to the Uht Funeral Home, Westland, Michigan. Please view memorial and send tributes at www.uhtfh.com.

SARAH "VIRGINIA" WAINEO
Age 80, August 30, 2008. Beloved wife of the late Albert. Dear mother of Glenn (Jane), Bryan (Debra) and Dean (Nancy). Dearest grandmother of Douglas (Eva), Marcus (Julie), Albert (Teresa), Khara (Christopher) Pratt, Justin, Shauna, Alyssa, Benjamin, Rebecca and Anna. Great grandmother of Dylan, Connor and Kayla. Visitation and services were held at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, Livonia. In lieu of flowers, family requests donations to Angela Hospice.

CHARLES ROBERT ROBERTSON
Age 75, August 31, 2008, formerly of Harbor Beach, MI. Beloved husband of Virginia. Dear father of Rick, Sandra, Gary, Cindy, Terry and the late Craig. Grandfather of 7, great-grandfather of 2. Brother of Jack (Rita) and June Hazel. Uncle of Steve and Mike Hazel and Jack Robertson. Son of the late Robert and Lutisha Robertson. Retired Garden City Fire Fighter. Korean War Navy Veteran. Private Services were held. Arrangements by Santeiu & Son.

JEANETTE ELLIS
Age 89, August 30, of Garden City. Loving mother of R.D. and Ronald (Ger). Dear grandmother of Angela (Jim) Straw and Ammie. Sister of C.E. Francis, Jr. of Clarkville, TN and Mary Lou Gilbert of Nashville, TN. A funeral service was held on Tuesday, September 2, 2008 at R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home in Garden City. The family suggests donations to Merriman Road Baptist Church. Please sign Jeanette's online guest-books at www.rgrharris.com.

CLEO HIVELEY
September 1, 2008 age 99 of Westland. Beloved wife of the late Joseph Hiveley. Dear mother of Betty J. (Weldon) Van Alstine, Doris (Bill) Brown and the late Jack L. Sheppard. Also survived by sister, Sue Bossell, daughter-in-law, Joan Sheppard, 11 grandchildren, 22 great grandchildren and 14 great great grandchildren. Services Friday 10 am at the Uht Funeral Home, 35400 Glenwood, Westland. Family will receive friends Thursday 12 - 9 pm. Please visit and post a note of condolence at www.uhtfh.com



MARILEE A. CRAIG
Of Flint, formerly of Redford Township, age 50, passed away Saturday, August 30, 2008 after a long courageous battle with Characinoind Liver Cancer at Fenton Extended Care Center. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 10 a.m. September 6, 2008 at St. Mary Catholic Church, 2500 North Franklin Avenue in Flint, Father Santhiyagu Arockiyasamy officiating. Cremation will take place following the Mass. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the family. Visitation 12 p.m.-2 p.m. and 4 p.m.-7 p.m. Friday at the Swartz Funeral Home, 1225 West Hill Road. A Rosary will be prayed at 7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Marilee will be at the church 9:30 a.m. Saturday until the time of the service. Your condolences may be shared with the family at swartzfuneralhomeinc.com

DOROTHY "Dottie" LAPHAM
Age 84, of Canton, formerly of Traverse City and Dearborn, died August 16, 2008. Beloved wife of the late James. Mother of Susan Hussein (Mahmoud), Step-mother of Linda Oke (Stuart). Loving grandmother of three and great-grandmother of one. Memorial Service 2 p.m. Saturday, September 6 at First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, 701 Church St., Plymouth, MI 48170. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to The Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute or First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth.

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21-day vigil puts faith in power of prayer

CALENDAR

FROM PAGE B4

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
O & E STAFF WRITER

When Rev. Barbara Clevenger heard about the 21-day prayer vigil to uplift the economy of greater Detroit, she started making plans to include her



Clevenger

church, Unity of Farmington Hills (formerly Church of Today West). On Sunday, Aug. 24 members joined congregations around the area in carrying out the idea of Rev. Greg Barrette, pastor of Renaissance Unity in Warren.

Clevenger believes that everyone praying together can make a difference. For 21 days participants are writing down their own prayer for Detroit 15 times a day. The vigil ends Sunday, Sept. 14, at an event in Hart Plaza.

"I've lived in the area 14 years. This area so many fabulous assets and there's a big high energy here that is confident, creative," said Clevenger. "We don't have city cooperating with county, city cooperating with suburbs. It seems there's all these divides. Wisdom says we all win together or lose together. There's a critical mass ready for change right now."

Clevenger says pain is a powerful motivator. People are losing

I LIFT DETROIT IN PRAYER

What: A ceremony during which each person writes their prayers in books that will be provided for the occasion
When: 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 14
Where: Hart Plaza, Detroit.

their jobs and homes. She lives in Birmingham where houses are for sale up and down the street. She says everybody feels the effects of the economy. At Unity giving is down, but attendance is up because people are seeking spiritual guidance.

To help members, she's hosting Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University, a Biblically-based curriculum that teaches how to make the right financial decisions. According to Ramsey's Web site, www.daveramsey.com, more than 10,000 churches nationwide have used the program.

"Most of us change when we're uncomfortable," said Clevenger. "We sometimes feel like that victim but if you can pray affirmatively, pray to change us. When we change the situation changes. I'm not saying people can control everything but we can influence the future. There are many people all over the world who would like to have what we have here. I was in India for three weeks last September and even when things are bad here they are not all bad."

Clevenger does her part to make the world a better place by serving on the Michigan Roundtable for Diversity and Inclusion (formerly National Conference for Christians and Jews) and Interfaith Partners which was formed on Sept. 11, to create understanding among religions. She's also active with the Farmington Area Interfaith Association.

On Sunday, Sept. 21, Clevenger will be among the thousands of people welcoming A.T. Ariyaratne for a celebration of the United Nations International Day of Peace at Eastern Michigan University Convocation Center in Ypsilanti. The internationally-known leader of the Sarvodaya movement has rallied the residents of villages in Sri Lanka to build a better life for themselves.

"He teaches that don't wait for government aid or leaders, work with your neighbor right now," said Clevenger.

"He says we build the road and the road builds us. He has individuals working together to build wells, roads. When you work together you become friends. He's done this in 15,000 villages over 50 years. We need to learn how to work together. We've come to the place that it takes all of us lifting us up, doing things to help people right now."

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Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. All visitors welcome. For more information, call (734) 427-1414 or visit www.holy-crosslivonia.org.

Day of service

A Day of Service and Spirituality is available by the Capuchin Soup Kitchen and the Solanus Casey Center. The purpose of the day is to serve, meet and have one's faith grow. The day allows groups to help at the Capuchin Services Center and dine with guests at the Capuchin Soup Kitchen.

A tour of the Earth Works urban garden, which provides six tons of produce each season, will also be made available. The day concludes with a self-guided tour of the Solanus Casey Center, a spirituality center dedicated to the Capuchin friar who is credited with miraculous cures and valued for his wise and compassionate counsel. The minimum age is 7th grade and the maximum size of the group is 30. The day starts at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 2:30 p.m. There is no cost. Lunch included. For information, send e-mail to ccrane@thecapuchins.org.

To learn more about the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, visit www.cskdetroit.org.

Worship Service

10:30 a.m. Sunday, Adult Bible Class at 9:30 a.m., Children's Sunday School during worship at 10:30 a.m., at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 27035 Ann Arbor Trail, Dearborn Heights. For more information, call (313) 278-5755.

Worship

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Whalers inflict Labor (Day) pains on Spitfires

For many people, Labor Day is a day of rest and relaxation — and maybe a chance to see the Detroit International Jazz Festival downtown.

The Plymouth Whalers didn't visit the festival, but they moved through the outskirts of it on the way home from Windsor on Monday.

The Whalers and Windsor Spitfires traditionally start their preseason schedule with a home-and-home series. The Whalers swept this season's hard-bop with Windsor, winning 6-5 in Plymouth on Aug. 30 before nipping the Spits, 3-2, in Windsor on Labor Day.

In the latter contest in Windsor, Tyler G. Brown's power-play goal at 18:40 of the second period gave the Whalers a 3-1 lead and Plymouth withstood a late Windsor rally.

"We battled," said Plymouth head coach Greg Stefan. "The team played hard."

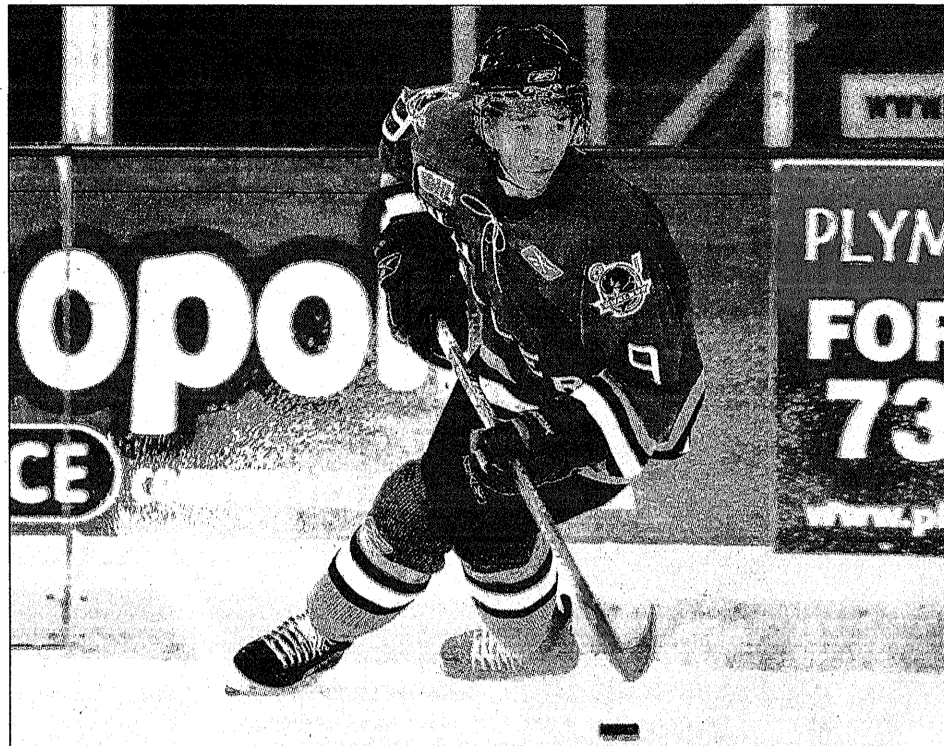
Patrick Lee and Vern Cooper also scored for Plymouth. Dale Mitchell and Richard Greenop replied for Windsor.

Lee got the Whalers off to an excellent start when he scored 24 seconds into the game, banking a shot from the right corner in the Windsor zone off Spitfire starting goaltender Stephen Gleeson. Myles McCauley (Sterling Heights) drew the lone assist.

Mitchell tied the game at 1-all for Windsor on the power play at 12:20 of the first period when he snapped a shot from the slot over the shoulder of Plymouth starting goaltender Matt Hackett.

Cooper scored the prettiest goal of the game at 18:15 of the first to give the Whalers a 2-1 lead when he skated into the Windsor zone with speed on the right wing, got a half-stride around Spitfire defenseman Ryan Ellis and beat Gleeson with the shot. Brown drew the lone assist on the goal.

"I picked the puck up in the neutral zone and noticed that Ellis was standing still," Cooper said. "I wheeled around him and took the puck to the net. There wasn't much



Plymouth Whaler Vern Cooper, pictured above in action last season, has played well during the team's early pre-season schedule.

he could do. I was wheeling pretty fast."

Cooper is off to a good start with three goals in two preseason games. He is eligible for the 2009 National Hockey League Entry Draft.

"It's always nice to be off to a good start, especially with this year being my draft year," Cooper said. "I just want to continue what I'm doing right now."

Brown gave the Whalers a 3-1 lead in the second period when he scored through traffic in the middle of a scramble in front of the Windsor goal. Lee and rookie Jan Latal drew the helpers.

Greenop tapped home a rebound in traffic in front of Plymouth backup goaltender Scott Wedgewood at 14:33 of the

third period to cut the Plymouth lead to 3-2. Windsor coach Bob Boughner pulled backup netminder Ryan Carlisle in the final minute of play, but the Spits couldn't find the equalizer.

Windsor outshot Plymouth, 38-30. Hackett stopped 22 shots. Gleeson stopped 16-of-18 for Windsor.

In the opening game of the series, veteran Chris Terry led the Plymouth attack with a four-point afternoon (one goal, three helpers), while Cooper scored twice and Ryan Hayes lit the lamp once as did Beau Schmitz and Kaine Geldart. Wellwood scored twice for Windsor and Andrew Yogan, Greg Nemisz and Tyson Issac one each.

'GUINNESS'

FROM PAGE B1

Once a golfer drained a putt, the player on the ensuing hole immediately hit a tee shot.

Among the stringent requirements put in place by Guinness were that video had to be taken of the event, the total yardage of the holes played had to exceed 6,000 yards and two elected officials — in this case, a mayor (not Kwame) and a sheriff — had to witness the occurrence.

"I was more anxious than nervous," said Marcero, who was stationed on the fringe of one of the three greens with his putter and wedge in hand. "There was no time to line up putts or anything. It was all about getting to the ball in a hurry and hitting it. I think the longest putt we made the entire round was eight feet."

Marcero, a sales executive at WJR, said the record almost didn't happen.

"The first time we tried it, we were just over nine minutes," said Marcero, "so everybody was really fired up. But the next time it took longer and the time after that it took longer still.

"It was raining the whole time, so after the third try, myself and Dan Turcott — the Boyne events director — talked about whether we should give up or keep trying. When we decided to give it one more shot, Dan got on the megaphone and delivered this awesome speech that got everybody fired up.

"When we broke the record, every shot was pure and every approach shot was tight. It's hard to explain how perfect it turned out."

WJR has coordinated the record-breaking attempts since the mid-90s, Marcero said.

"One of the things that helped this year was that the Tournament of Champions was being held at the same time up there and we recruited a lot of those golfers to participate," said Marcero. "I'm a 13 handicap and I was probably the worst golfer out there."

Marcero credited Turcott and WJR marketing director Bridgette Burns for orchestrating the successful effort — one that even Tiger and Bolt could envy.

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Cope not only played a lot — he played well.

In Disney's 1-0 victory over Bayern Munich of Germany, he headed in the game's lone goal off a free kick.

"I was more than happy with my playing time," he said. "Myself and two other kids played every minute of every game."

Although he only played five games in England — Disney finished fourth with a 2-1-2 mark — Cope said the experience would help elevate his game.

"The speed of play was incredible," said Cope. "Everything those teams did was so precise and so quick; they didn't make any mistakes with the ball. It seemed like we were defending three-quarters of the time."

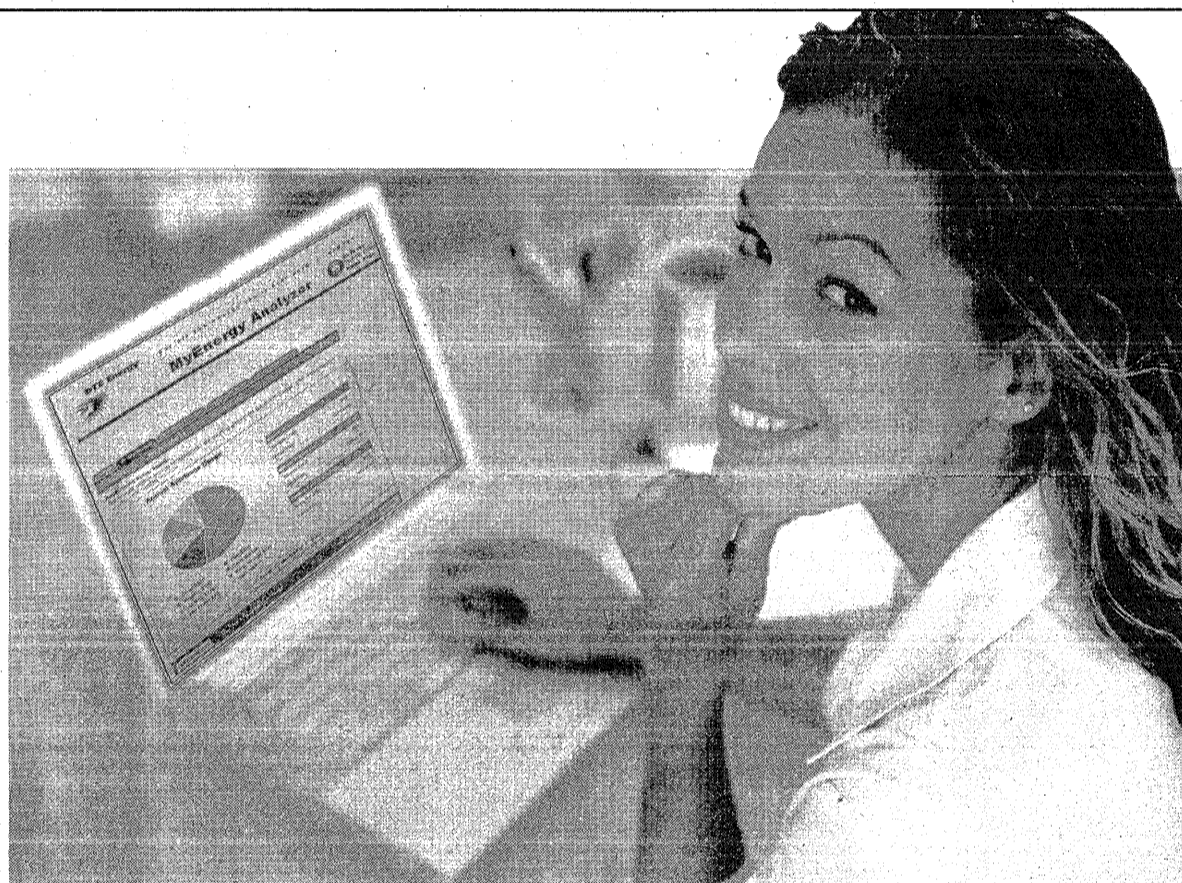
While most of Cope's week in England was spent participating in soccer-related activities, he did squeeze in a little sightseeing.

"We took a tour bus around the city one day," he said. "We went on the London Eye, which is the world's biggest observation Ferris wheel. It was 443 feet high and they said you could see as far as 25 miles away. It was pretty cool."

Cope said his ultimate college choice came down to MSU and one other Big Ten school.

"I chose Michigan State over Ohio State," he said. "They're both similar in a lot of ways, including academics. It came down to, 'Did I want to go to a great school where I didn't know anybody and was starting out fresh (Ohio State) or a great school where I already knew some of my friends and my sister were going?'"

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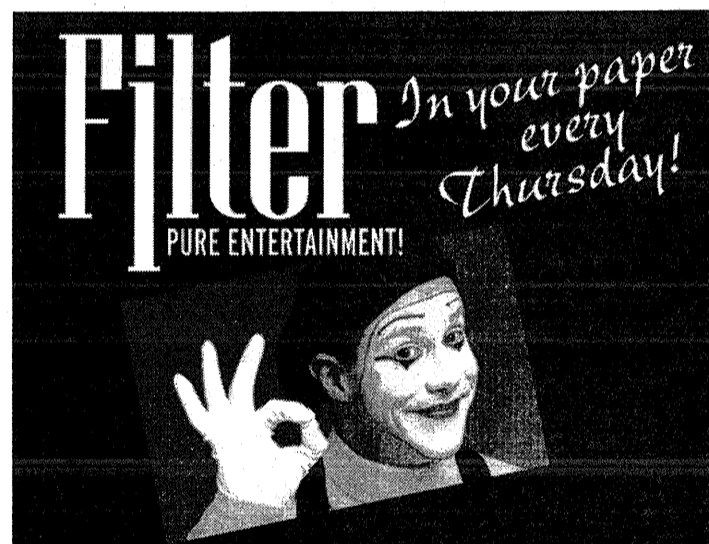
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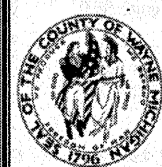
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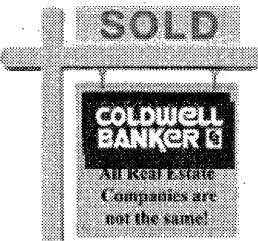
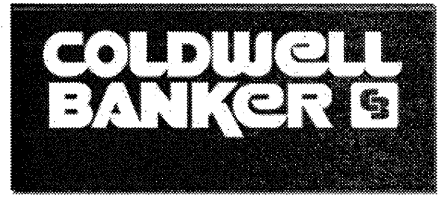
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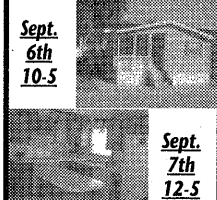
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- Funny Charlotte
- Takes a breather
- Cold-shoulders
- Not know from
- Strays
- Halter
- Nope (hyph.)
- Emma in "The Avengers"
- Sleeve filler
- Crude metal
- Pepperoni seller
- Sleep briefly

DOWN

- PC acronym
- Turkish potentate
- Bawl
- Longs for
- Checked in
- Melodrama shout
- Earth's star
- Nine-headed monster
- Annexes
- Red vegetable
- Peat sources

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8	3	2	4	1	6	9	7	
2	9	4	8	6	7	9	6	1
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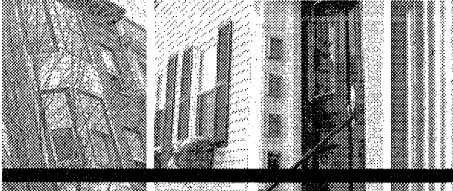
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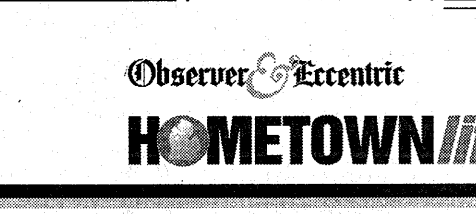
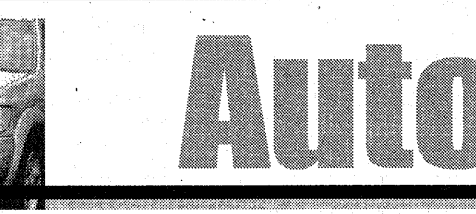
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SCION GROWS WITHOUT GROWING UP

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By Dale Buss

When Toyota unveiled its new, youth-oriented Scion brand at auto shows six years ago, Jim Farley, who was then a Toyota vice president, proclaimed, "We're about providing Generation Y with concepts that stand out from the crowd," according to Brandweek magazine.

And when Scion debuted, everything was different about it: products that broke the mold, and marketing that did too. Now vice president of marketing for Ford, Farley isn't saying anymore what he thinks about Scion. But car buyers are.

Their conclusion: Scion has succeeded on a lot of fronts, including with genuinely iconoclastic products. But its grasp on its coveted target demographic of 18- to 24-year-olds just forming their buying habits isn't as solid as Toyota would have liked at this point. It's true that, through July, Scion sales were up about 7 percent so far this year compared with a year earlier. And with the entire auto industry struggling, even Toyota overall, that is not an accomplishment to be scoffed at.

But Scion is definitely in the process of trying to rediscover its cachet. In its early days, about 80 percent of Scion buyers never had shopped Toyota before, and they were overwhelmingly young shoppers – so Toyota had scored a bullseye in terms of its original purposes for the brand. Young people were clamoring for the xA and the xB, and online visitors flocked to the Scion web site.

Yet since Scion's initial success, some of the edginess has disappeared from its products and its marketing.

In its initial marketing, Scion relied on



The xD is the best expression so far of Scion's ground-breaking design philosophy.

underground hip-hop music and culture, including lots of advertising on web site that concentrated on specific music genres, and promoting events through e-mail blasts and banners.

Yet nowadays, Scion is trying to expand the appeal of its brand "and not to drop whoever is aging," in the words of Jeri Yoshizu, sales and promotions manager for Scion. So the brand has broadened to new types of marketing partnerships – such as its new initiative with Kitsune, a French boutique with a clothing line and music label that is considered very sophisticated.

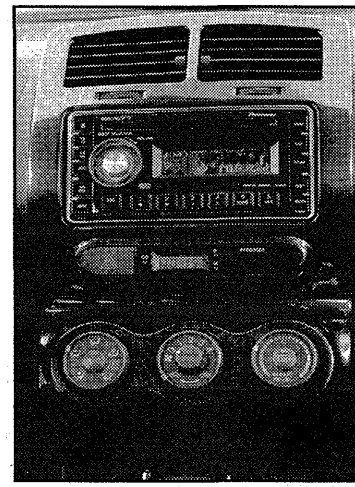
Product-wise, Scion has introduced a redesigned xB as well as the xD, to replace the xA.

The xB is larger, making it more attractive to, say, young moths as well as young singles – but also, in the process of getting a bit larger, losing some of the edginess that had made it so appealing to the pre-parent hood crowd.

A new tC, fully redesigned tC coupe is due to hit showrooms in 2010, after the original tC received a few minor updates since its 2005 debut. Five years is a long time between full-model overhauls.

But the xD is where Scion already has amply demonstrated its willingness to continue to push the envelope with new products. It recently replaced the original xA, which had too much of the look and feel of a typical economy car – and definitely not hip.

The xD, on the other hand, oozes cool. It mimics the basic-box design of the truly groundbreaking xB but throws a few curves into the styling as well, and is a bit larger.



Intriguing controls are part of Scion's interior design appeal.

Edmunds.com said it looks like "a snub-nose 1916 Mack AC truck."

As Scion's new entry-level model, xD sports a more powerful engine than the xA, a lengthy list of standard equipment and an abundance of dealer-installed options for extras, especially when it comes to audio equipment. At the same time, xD still doesn't offer much cargo space – but you certainly know that from just looking at the vehicle!

A four-door subcompact hatchback, xD comes in just one trim level. It is offered only with a 1.8-liter, four-cylinder engine with variable-valve timing that produces 128 horsepower and 125 pound-feet of torque. A five-speed manual or four-speed automatic transmission are available.

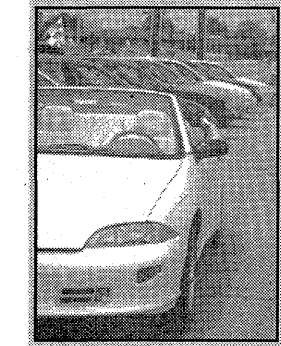
Standard features include full power accessories, remote keyless entry, air-conditioning, cruise control, antilock brakes with brake assist, front seat side airbags and full-length side curtain airbags. Since the Scion xD caters to the youth market, the in-car entertainment consists of a standard Pioneer 160-watt stereo with an MP3-compatible CD player, an iPod/auxiliary audio input and audio controls on the steering wheel.

While the only factory option is electronic stability control with traction control, there is a laundry list of available dealer-installed options that lets buyers customize their xD in a way that reflects their individual style – including larger wheels and tires, quick-shift kits, bigger brakes, lowering springs, an exhaust system, a carbon-fiber engine cover and an overhead console.

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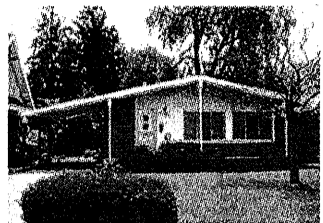
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Belleville 248-348-6430 View Belleville LK From Your Frnt Window Walking distance to quaint downtown Belleville. 3 bed, 2 baths fin BSMT, new roof, furnace, HWH, C/A, win & the riding mower stays. Immediate occupancy. Hurry! (28110290) \$120,000



Dearborn Hgts 248-437-3800 Spacious Home...Super Clean Sharp! Beautiful 3 bdrm 2 bath brick ranch w/tons of updates: new garage door, new hrdwd flrs, new entry & closet doors, freshly painted, finished bsmt & much more. (28123060) \$104,900



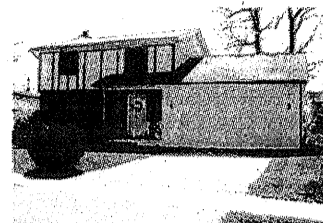
Livonia 734-591-9200 Immac 3 BR brick ranch w/lg eat in kitch ovr/lking fam rm. Door wall leads to deck ovr/lking priv fenc yd. Evtghg up/dted-BAs, Kit,Winds, Rf, Trim, Drs, Cpt, HWD flrs Full bsmt and FR. All appl incl. No short sale. (28124360) \$164,900



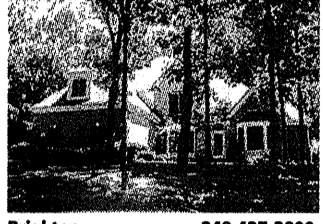
Northville 248-348-6430 Better Than New! Quality built Northville home offers Great RM w/Cathedral ceiling, library, formal DR, gourmet KIT w/center island, granite counters, 42" cabinets & large nook! (28133801) \$329,900



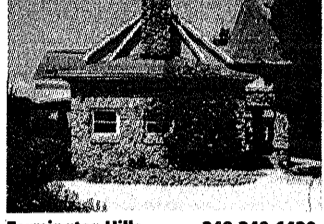
Plymouth 734-591-9200 A must see! g granite kit, breakfast rm, lg LR, Fam Rm w/walkout to patio w/hot tub, 3 full tiled bthrms, mstr ste, hrdwd flring, new furn and a/c, cstm fin bsmt w/full bar & tv's, cedar sauna, home theater. (28139326) \$399,000



South Lyon 248-437-3800 Charming Home Lrg deck, hot tub, stream in backyard, near trails, woods & park. Natural fireplace, oversized garage w/high ceiling & door. Many updates. Newer appl stay. (28072291) \$199,900



Brighton 248-437-3800 Stunning Turn Key Home! Offering 5 lrg BR all above grade, a 1st fr mstr suite, spacious gourmet kit w/granite island, fully finished bsmt, game rm, media center. Private wooded view. (2811297) \$474,900



Farmington Hills 248-348-6430 Totally Renovated Gem! Panoramic views of 1.29 acres w/pond & gardens, 4 bdrm, 2.2 baths, kit w/cherry & granite. 3 flpc's, new Andersen windows, year round FL room. (28022055) \$499,900



Livonia 248-851-1900 FORECLOSURE. SPACIOUS HOME. UPDATED KIT, 3 BR, 2.1 baths. Partially finished basement. Seller installing new carpet. (28130500) \$98,900



Wixom 248-348-6430 Spring into the New Season in a New Home. Carefree 3 BR, 3.5 BA condo. New carpet and paint T/O. Kit has hrdwd flr, granite, oak cab and wainscoting. Mstr ste has spa tub w/sp shower. Par fin BA in LL. (28066939) \$218,900



Plymouth 734-455-7000 IMPRESSIVE CAPE COD...with its peaked roof, gentle lines & artfully elegant accents, nestled on one of the largest lots in the sub. Upgraded kit w/maple cabs/corain, GR w/FP, & more! (28142082) \$300,000



South Lyon 248-437-3800 Cute smaller home on double lot! Lots of upgrades and natural charm. Great for first-time home buyer or investor. Newer roof and windows, front door, furnace, electric and plumbing. A Must See! (28035957) \$102,000



Canton 734-455-7000 DRAMATIC HOME! Gorgeously landscaped w/deck & gazebo. 4 BR's, 1 BA, over 3000 sq.ft. of living area, oversized kitchen, family rm w/FP, fin. bsmt, 2-1/2 car gar, comm. clubhouse! (28135047) \$359,900



Fenton 248-684-1065 Custom home on 10 acres! Gourmet kit, granite T/O, 1st fr mstr, dbl-sided stone FP, Fin. LL w/ bar, Den/exercise RM, Tile/stone Flrs, Deck/ gazebo, 2nd garage. (28010834) \$500,000



Lyon Township 248-437-3800 Gorgeous Colonial! Built in 2005 on 1+ acre lot in the country w/open floor plan. Features living rm w/gas fireplace, breakfast rm, kit, w/snack bar, walkout bsmt, 3 car garage. (28142552) \$299,900



Northville 248-348-6430 Great Place To Build! Large lot in downtown Northville. Newer 2 car garage on lot. (28082100) \$159,900



Plymouth 734-455-7000 TWO PLYMOUTH HOMES FOR THE PRICE OF ONE! Two separate houses on one lot in downtown Plymouth. Live in one-rent the other! Numerous updates in main house. Other home continually rented. (27097266) \$194,900



Wayne 734-284-5400 HISTORIC LIKE HOME IN WAYNE Established neighborhood. Has been updated inside and out. 3 BD & kitchen. Has new cabinets, sink, countertop, and tile. Too many to mention. Call today. (28086340) \$134,700



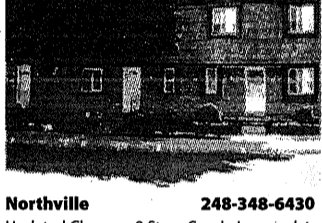
Canton 734-455-7000 SUMMER FUN ON GREAT CUL-DE-SAC LOCATION! 4BR/2.1BA, over 2100' open flr plan. Hardwood flr, newer carpet, family rm w/wet bar & FP, lg living/dining rms, private backyard, pool, clubhouse, tennis ct. (28110725) \$219,900



Fenton 248-437-3800 Get Away From The Hustle And Bustle Over 5 acres of enjoyment. Watch wild-life from your multi-tiered deck. Swim in the pool, or enjoy the gardens. Plus a heated 26x42 workshop! Well maintained. (28010826) \$315,000



Milford 248-684-1065 Builders home overlooking wooded ravine. Priv. offices on main flr, 900 sq.ft. bonus rm w/ separate entrance via heated garage. 6600 sq.ft. living sp. (28049450) \$799,000



Northville 248-348-6430 Updated Charming, 2 Story Condo Immaculate condo on court. 2 BD, 1.5 BA, BSMT part fin, KIT w/white cabs & Pergo FLS, patio off DR, lovely view. Privt entry all new paint & carpeting. Neutral. (28138441) \$94,900



Plymouth 734-455-7000 TUCKED AWAY - ONLY MINUTES FROM DOWNTOWN Bright, new, eat-in kit w/all appl, 1st flr Indry, lg open living & dining rms. Dbl doorways to deck overlooks Walden Pond. Fin walk-out LL w/patio to pond. (28117786) \$167,000



Westland 734-591-9200 Country liv in city. Lg brk rch on quiet d/e st. Surr by wds & trees. Just under 1700 sq/ft. LR & lg FR opn to kit/din. Updtd ceram BA, Gen sz BRS, Newer flr, New gutt & Trim. Gls blk wds, Cop/plumb, 1 of kind, Mst see. (28103311) \$159,900



Canton 734-455-7000 WELL-MAINTAINED & UPDATED BRICK RANCH! Newer roof w/25yr warr, new SS appls, new carpet in BRs, new HWT. Lg foyer w/ceram tile. Great rm w/FP. Kit w/island & brkfst nook. Prof. landscaped yd w/sprink. (28107728) \$199,999



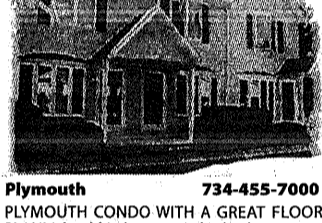
Green Oak 248-437-3800 Resort Living At It's Finest! Gourmet kitchen w/granite, cherry cabinets, hardwood flrs. Bfst nook w/French door to private patio. Spoiling 1st fr mstr suite, glamour bath w/jetted tub. (28097875) \$459,900



Milford 248-684-1065 Great flr plan! 2 story entry w/ oak flrs, foyer, den w/ french drs, granite kit, nook. LR w/ fp. Lg mstr w/ WIC. Fin bonus rm over gar. \$25K in upgrades free. (28084731) \$360,000



Novi 248-348-6430 Island Lake 5 BR, 3.1 BA w/1st Fl Mstr BtJ in 2002. Prof decorated. Open floor plan, 4007 sqft, LG lot w/deck & stamped patio, 2 staircases, 2 Furnaces, 2 a/c, daylight BSMT, close to schools & w-way. (28099363) \$625,000



Plymouth 734-455-7000 PLYMOUTH CONDO WITH A GREAT FLOOR PLAN! Island kitchen, 1-1/2 baths, basement, deck & carport. Private entrance and walking distance to downtown! (28099981) \$107,500



Westland 248-348-6430 WHERE'S THE PARTY? RIGHT HERE! Great home w/inground pool & beautifully maintained yard! 3BD, 1BA, new roof, water heater & appliances. Close to schools, shopping & freeways! 10 min to airport. (28121774) \$130,500



Canton 734-455-7000 BETTER THAN NEW! 2 bedrooms/2 full baths; cathedral ceiling; lots of windows; all appliances; neutral decor; attached garage; close to pool. (28110431) \$138,900



Green Oak 248-437-3800 Over 2 Acres Of Country Living Secluded wooded lot. 2 fireplaces, 1 gas in LR, 1 natural in F/R. Lrg kitchen w/plenty of cabinets & bay window in bfst nook, 1st flr laundry, 2 car garage. (28142541) \$239,900



Milford 248-684-1065 5.4 acres. All fenced. Bring your horses. 2 car att gar + 3 car detached gar w/hydraulic lift air tools & compressor. Commercial generator. Play structure. (28078562) \$339,900



Novi 248-684-1065 84' of frontage on Walled Lake. Build site is on south side of street. (26166382) \$299,754



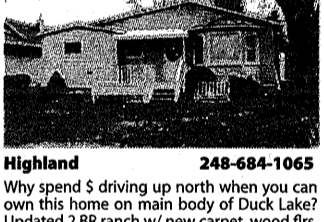
Redford 248-348-6430 Very Rare River FRT Home on 2 Acres! Features: Prvt bridge to your own peninsula, deck overlooking river, new 200 sq ft FLA RM, updted BAs, 4 car attached, 1800 gallon kol pond, new win, new HDW FLRS. (28114753) \$170,000



Westland 248-348-6430 Wonderful, Spacious, Updated Ranch Beautifully appointed, spacious & updated ranch. 900 sq ft w/ 700 sqft finished basement. Newer roof, vinyl siding, carpet, & updated BA. Competitively priced. (28075576) \$129,900



Commerce 248-684-1065 Enjoy all sports Lk Sherwood. Boat/dock, priv. & ingrd. pool, Priv. treed yard. Remodeled brick w/o Ranch. Open flr plan, granite kit, 3 gas FP & more! (28093056) \$290,000



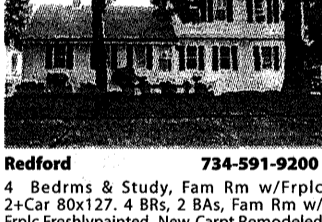
Highland 248-684-1065 Why spend \$ driving up north when you can own this home on main body of Duck Lake? Updated 2 BR ranch w/ new carpet, wood flrs. Best buy on Duck Lake! (28142742) \$199,900



Milford 248-684-1065 Close to the Village of Milford with Highland taxes! Bring the horses and enjoy the peacefulness of country living. Outbuildings allowed. (28033996) \$139,900



Novi 248-684-1065 Charming colonial. New oak kit w/ SS appls. FR w/ hrdwd flrs & nat fp. 1st flr laun. Huge mstr w/ new ba. New 2 tier cedar deck. Part fin bsmt w/ office. (28081118) \$230,000



Redford 734-591-9200 4 Bedrooms & Study, Fam Rm w/FP/Plc 24 Car 80x127, 4 BRS., 2 BAs, Fam Rm w/FP/Plc. Freshly painted. New Carp. Remodeled Kit w/maple cabinets, Updtd bath, Double lot 2 3/4 Gar, 5th Bedroom or Study. (28109695) \$149,700



Westland 734-284-5400 HOME SWEET HOME 3 bd, 1 ba ranch. Updated kitchen w/ appliances. Newer roof, windows, & C/A. Great screened porch over looking large nicely landscaped corner lot. A Must See! (28106263) \$94,500



Commerce 248-684-1065 Gorgeous condo built in 1994. Neutral decor; builder upgrades t/o; custom gas FP. All newer appl. Community pool/club house. Convently located. (28116858) \$134,900



Holly 248-684-1065 Beautifully maintained 2-BR ranch w/ lake access to Spring Lake and all-sports Crochted Lake. 3-car garage & separate heated workroom. Wooded lot. (28132165) \$129,900



Northville 248-348-6430 Great Condition! Private Location! A superb design and excellent construction. Work shop in garage. Lots of stone, granite, and hardwood. (27172386) \$559,000



Novi 734-455-7000 WOW! AMAZING PRICE! Priced to sell! Clean & well-kept ranch w/full finished basement, 2.1 baths and great lot. Award winning schools! Hurry on this beauty! (28119443) \$218,000



Royal Oak 248-684-1065 Beautifully renovated charming bungalow. Walking distance to town. Open flr plan. Lrg. master w/ W.C. Many updates. Pt. fin. bsmt. Private wooded yard. (28140894) \$169,900



Westland 248-348-6430 PRICE REDUCED - Affordable home just under 1500SF. Nice size BRS, 1.5 BA; kit w/Dining area & DW to brick paver patio. 2 car gar; motion lites frnt & side; 4 Cng Fans; Newer Roof & driveway; HW Htr 07. (28077414) \$75,000



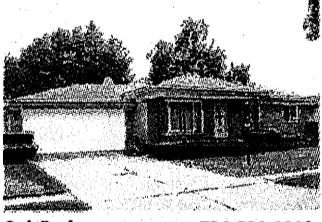
Dearborn Heights 248-348-6430 Charming Bungalow Why rent when you can own this BTFL BNGLW on corner lot in quiet NBHD for less? Updates galore, lots of storage. GRT price. Grab this one quick! (28035712) \$89,900



Iosco 248-684-1065 2 acre lot on private road with only 7 other homes on it. Property has a perk and survey. Restrictions and minimums available. Land contract option. (28113082) \$49,900



Northville 248-851-4100 6 LAKE PRIVILEGES. NORTHVILLES STONEMASTER 4 BR, 4.1 BA, 1st flr MBR suite w/glamour spa bath, hearth rm w/2 way FP. Walls of windows, princess suite. Granite kit & baths, 3 car garage, fin. daylight bsmt. (28080182) \$540,000



Oak Park 734-591-9200 Hard to Find Rch under 200K. 3300 liv spc LR&DR w/cus lgting & drapes, Gour eat-in kit w/ tble spc & eat on ctr. Big FR w/3 sided Fr/pl & nat lght. Fin Bsmt w/pad wt bar. Space Mstr BR w/2 lg clos. Patio w/gas grill. (28134880) \$179,900



South Lyon 248-437-3800 Well Kept Home! Well kept home in Popular Carriage Trace. Seller has \$440,000 Invested. Granite kit w/cherry cabinets, ceramic backsplash, GR w/hrdwd flrs, soaring ceiling. (28085461) \$369,900



Westland 248-348-6430 Great Tri-level Condo W/ Spacious Lr Newer Windows, Roof & Central Air. Galley Kit W/ Dr. Wood Flrs In Brs. Frnsd LI W/ Storage, Work Room, & Laundry. Play Area & Community Center. Pets Welcome. (27198844) \$65,000



Dearborn Heights 248-348-6430 Attention Builders! Lot w/ 2 Car Garage! Great price on this premium lot with a brand new 2 car garage. Crestwood schools, fenced yard & a large shed! New construction will be built unless lot is sold. (27193396) \$38,000



Livonia 248-851-1900 SAY HELLO TO A GOOD BUY! 3 BR ranch. Newer roof & vinyl windows, updated electric & copper plumbing. New cabs in the bathroom. Large kitchen, HWF throughout. Totally fenced large backyard, FR addition. (28104478) \$97,900



Northville 248-851-4100 EXCEPTIONAL NEWER HOME \$80,000+ in custom upgrades. 3 or 4 BR on quiet cul de sac. Top end kitchen, oak staircase & HWF's. Pebabic tile accents, beautiful landscaping. 3 car gar. A must see! (28088577) \$375,000



Novi 248-851-4100 GORGEOUS COMPLETELY UPDATED 3 BR CONDO. Enclosed brick paver patio. New windows, doorwall, HWF in foyer, kit & DR. Tiled backplash in kit, new appl, new bathrooms. California closets. New furnace & AC. (28131329) \$114,000



South Lyon 248-437-3800 The Exception to the Usual Home lives up to your expectations and has the quality you desire at the value today's market demands. Meticulous hrdwd flrs thru out. \$60,000 in prof upgrades. (28117594) \$315,000



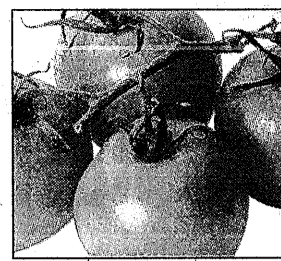
Wixom 248-348-6430 Nice Home in Fine Neighborhood Nice Home, within walking distance to Loon Lake, HDWD floors entry, Kitchen & living room, family room w/fireplace, great wooded lot, deck & quick possession. (27184865) \$169,000

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PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY FALL FESTIVAL

Run, play bingo, eat pancakes

BY LANA MINI
O&E STAFF WRITER

How many volunteers does it take to make 12,000 pancakes for 3,000 people in one morning?

About 120. That includes preparing the coffee and juice and cleaning the tables.

PLYMOUTH'S FALL FESTIVAL

Run, play bingo, eat pancakes and visit a beer tent in Plymouth

What: Plymouth 53rd Annual Community Fall Festival

When: Noon to 11 p.m. Friday, Sept. 5; 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6; and 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 7

Where: Downtown Plymouth - Main, Penniman, Ann Arbor Trail and Union streets

Details: www.plymouthfallfestival.com, presented by the Plymouth Rotary Club

He's part of the Plymouth Kiwanis, and the group's foundation hosts several events to improve the community. The pancake breakfast is a big event.

"We don't raise money to keep it in the bank, we do it for the community," Grutza said, adding that the group buys Christmas parties for Special Olympians, and sports equipment for high school athletic teams.

The Fall Festival, held this weekend, is all about tradition.

It started in 1956 as a community picnic to raise money for a children's playground on Wing Street in Plymouth. People cared, 500 people attended. The next year, another picnic for more play equipment was held - this time at the Hamilton Street Playground.

By 1960, the picnic moved to Kellogg Park and became known as a fall festival.

And today, it is still the Fall Festival. Yes, we said fall. Summer is ending, and we may as well embrace it with an old-fashioned family fun event.

Over the weekend you'll find a carnival with rides. Booths volunteered by local people will offer food such as the Salem Class of 2010's roasted almonds; the Lions Club's caramel apple chips; Canton High School Chiefs Tennis' fresh lemonade; Vietnam Veterans Plymouth-Canton Chapter 528's corn-on-the-cob and pierogi from the Polish National Alliance Dancers.

On Saturday from 7 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. is the pancake breakfast near Kellogg Park, \$6. At 4 p.m. there's a pasta dinner for \$9 at the park.

And there's a car show and constant live entertainment.

Notable local singers Gia Warner and Bobby Lewis are performing from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday at Kellogg Park, for example. On Saturday there's a pet show at 10 a.m.

There's also a craft show each day and the event closes Sunday with a Rotary Club BBQ.



Donna Beaubien of Troy paints and marbles works on handmade paper. She's been a mainstay at Art & Apples fine art show.

43rd annual festival is this weekend

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA
O&E STAFF WRITER

Donna Beaubien knows the ins and outs of Rochester's annual Art & Apples festival almost as well as its organizers. The Troy artist has participated since its start.

More than four decades along and the Paint Creek Center for the Arts' largest fund-raiser continues to grow into an increasingly more family-oriented art event. The festival has become a bona fide tradition, earning national praise for its juried outdoor fine art show.

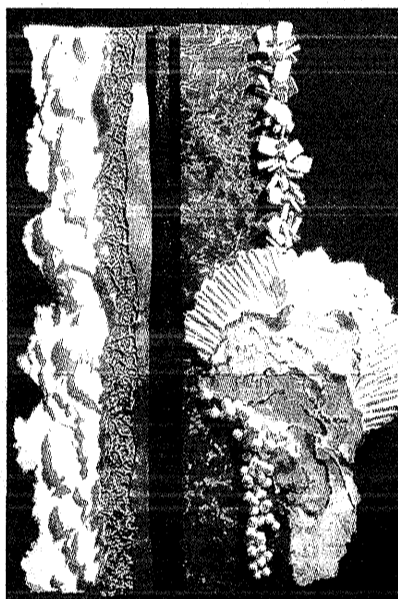
Beaubien can attest to that. "I have many clients in the area and they expect to see my latest works at Art & Apples," she said. "Patrons love (the festival) because it is a family event with quality artists."

Art & Apples is the second largest art show in Michigan. Held, as always, on 30 rolling acres of Rochester Municipal Park, the festival, again sponsored by National City, has been ranked in the top 30 by *Sunshine Artist* magazine's 200 Best Festivals in the Country.

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Bob Daily of Rochester Hills has mastered the art of lathe-turned wood and creates beautifully-sculpted pieces like this vessel made of redwood. He will be featured at Art & Apples this weekend in Rochester Municipal Park.



Troy Artist Donna Beaubien fashions stunning collages out of her own handmade paper designs. See more of her work at Art & Apples Sept. 5-7 in Rochester.

ART & APPLES

What: The 43rd annual National City Art & Apples Festival returns

Hours: 4-7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 5; 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6; and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 7

Where: Rochester Municipal Park, north of University Drive west of Main Street in downtown Rochester

Admission: Suggested donation of \$5 supports the Paint Creek Center for the Arts.

Parking: A shuttle service will be available Friday-Sunday from the Rochester High School at Livernois and University directly to the park's Community House. Note: University Drive in downtown Rochester is currently under construction.

More information: Call (248) 651-4110 or visit www.ArtandApples.com.



IN BRIEF

LET'S GO DALLYING

DETROIT - Hipsters and urban artists call it the coolest Detroit festival of the year.

It's Dally in the Alley set for Saturday, Sept. 6, from noon to midnight. If it rains, it will be held on Sunday.

This year the festival's theme is "We Ain't Young Anymore," as it celebrates its 31st year.

Artist Mark Arminski of Detroit is curating an exhibit there that will feature artists from the historic and uber hip Russell Industrial Center.

At Dally, every worker is a volunteer.

Even the musicians volunteer their artform for the sole purpose of creating something cool, pushing boundaries, and adding to the edgy, atmospheric event.

Bands worth seeing include Pathe Jassi World Music Experience. Jassi is from Senegal and plays some of the best bass guitar in the city.

Women on Wax includes great electronic music by Dj Minx, Jennifer Xerri and Diviniti.

The Dally is located between Forest and Hancock and bordered by Second and Third, near the Wayne State University area. It also boasts organic food, no corporate sponsorship, great music, political vendors (expand your mind), nonprofit vendors (get involved to change the world), performance art and a lot more.

Visit www.dallyinthealley.net

By L. Mini

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DETROIT - The music community will come together for a rock 'n' roll benefit show to help aid wounded Iraq and Afghanistan war veterans on Thursday, Sept. 11, at The Magic Stick.

The all-ages concert will begin at 7 p.m. and feature the Questions, the Frustrations, the High Strung, the Koffin Kats, Mick Bassett & The Marthas, Friends of Dennis Wilson, The Directions, The Electric Lions, Duende, Pinkeye, Sik Sik Nation and Stare into the Sun. The Magic Stick is located at 4120-4140 Woodward Ave. Call (313) 833-9700 or visit www.majesticdetroit.com.

By W. Von Buskirk

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W. Bloomfield native premieres film, assists local charity

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA
O&E STAFF WRITER

Sam Logan Khaleghi spent two years of his life crafting the crime drama *Love is a Thieves Game*. The West Bloomfield resident will premiere his independent film next week in Farmington Hills. "I wrote it, directed it, produced it and, I did not intend to star in it, but it happened," he said during a recent interview in Birmingham.

In the film, Khaleghi portrays Lincoln, a drifter who's set out to solve the murder of a father he never knew. His quest leads him into dangerous territory when he meets and falls in love with Allie (Kristen Pickthall), a beautiful thief, and when his undercover work with a police lieutenant (Jason Waugh) leads to some unexpected clues. The film also stars Rocky Black (*8 Mile, Till Death*).

Khaleghi said the style of the movie was influenced by the European New Wave of the '60s and '70s. "It's very much a personal story," he said, adding that the character-driven drama doesn't follow a typical three-act structure. "Stylistically," he said, "it's like poetry."

CAUSE AND EFFECT

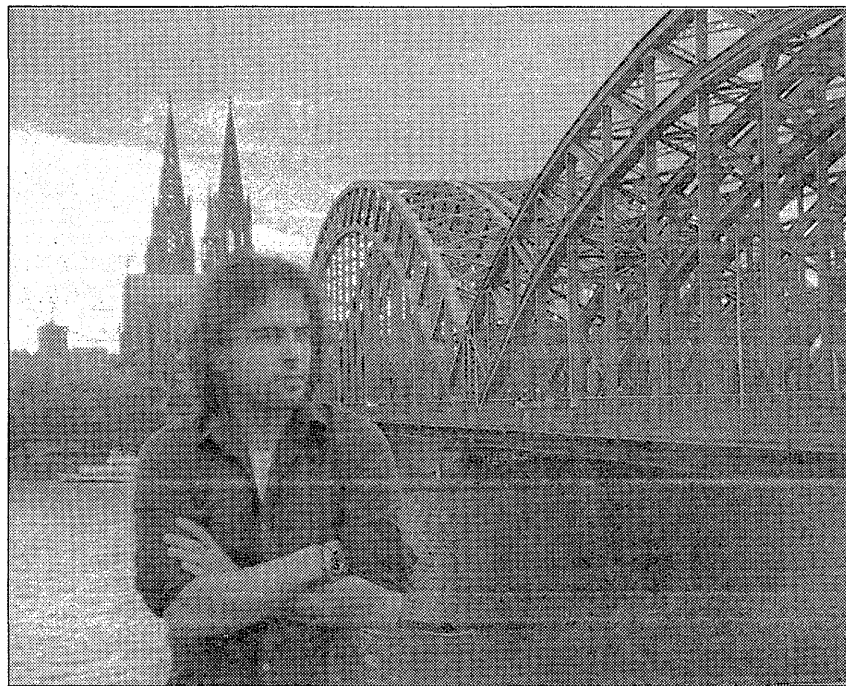
The red carpet premiere event, set for Sept. 12, will double as a fund-raiser for the nonprofit Furniture Bank of Oakland County. Khaleghi became acquainted with the Pontiac-based organization when Director Colette Kelly was in need of public service announcements to spread the word about their mission — to provide furniture and home goods free of charge to those in need, from the homeless to those who have lost their belongings in a house fire.

"We're happy to be a part of this," said Kelly. "We've never done anything like it before. It should be fun for everyone. It's not every day that Hollywood comes to Michigan."

Khaleghi said he was so touched by the stories he encountered while working on the PSAs for the Furniture Bank, he wanted to do more to help raise awareness about it. The organization aids more than 2,400 families in Oakland County each year. At the event patrons can sign up to learn more or to donate gently-used furniture, and have it picked up at no charge.



Sam Logan Khaleghi and Kristen Pickthall star in "Love is a Thieves Game," premiering at 7 p.m. Friday Sept. 12, at the Smith Theatre on Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge Campus, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, in Farmington Hills.



Writer-Director-Actor Sam Logan Khaleghi of West Bloomfield shot a portion of his film "Love is a Thieves Game" on location in Germany.

Of the event, Kelly said, "it's been a good fit all around."

FINDING HIS PLACE

As far back as he could recall, Khaleghi wanted to try everything. But, he claims, he's "found his place behind the camera." He discovered filmmaking as a way to embrace a subject and make it your own. A graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn and West

Bloomfield High School, he is a longtime friend of actor-comedian Brandon T. Jackson. The fellow West Bloomfield High alumnus currently stars in Ben Stiller's comedy *Tropic Thunder*. Back in high school, Khaleghi noted, they were known for their "crazy antics."

Kevin Walsh, a video production teacher, can attest to that. He recalls having Khaleghi and

LOVE IS A THIEVES GAME

What: Red carpet premiere kicks off with live music by The New Romantics

When: 6:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 12

Where: The 400-seat Smith Theatre, OCC Orchard Ridge Campus, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills

Tickets: Suggested donation \$10, all proceeds benefit The Furniture Bank of Oakland County. Reserve a seat by e-mailing atgmovie@yahoo.com or purchase tickets at the door.

Afterward: A VIP afterparty will be held at Pure Nightclub in Detroit.

See the trailer: Visit www.myspace.com/athievesgamefilm

Reach out: The Furniture Bank is currently assisting 800 local families in need. They are in serious need of baby cribs and twin beds for children. Learn more about the organization at www.furniture-bank.org.

Jackson in his first class at the school. "From my first day Sam's curiosity, determination and sense of humor made him a force to be reckoned with," said Walsh. "He and Brandon worked well together over the next two years and produced some hilarious videos for themselves as well as projects for the school's annual student talent show."

Jackson still collaborates with

Khaleghi. They worked together, along with Rochester Hills-bred actress Jana Kramer (*Prom Night*, the series *Friday Night Lights*) on Khaleghi's film *Approaching Midnight*, which is due out next year. Since making that movie, both Kramer and Jackson have appeared in number one box-office movies.

Khaleghi jokes that he's falling behind compared to his contemporaries. But Walsh said: "He's got the rare combination of sensitivity, determination and thick skin you have to have in the entertainment business. I've been very impressed over the last six years just to follow his hard work at making an in-road to Hollywood."

Khaleghi travels back and forth between West Bloomfield and Los Angeles — but he began filming in Michigan and embracing his hometown surroundings long before last April's state tax incentives began to draw large studio productions into the state.

In the middle of filming *Love is a Thieves Game*, Khaleghi had to put his production on hold.

He was accepted into a program at the prestigious Guildhall School of Music and Drama in London, with such notable graduates as Ewan McGregor (*Star Wars*) and the new "James Bond" Daniel Craig. He spent the summer of 2007 studying Shakespeare and contemporary theater — ultimately his time overseas influenced the film.

In addition to its *Hamlet*-like undertones, scenes in *Love is a Thieves Game* were shot in Cologne, Germany. But Khaleghi never lost sight of his intention, to spotlight Detroit. "The city is very rich in culture and it's colorful," he said. "It never really came up — not to do it here."

Khaleghi returned to the states just in time to sign on as a producer on the seasonal finale of the MTV show *Made*, which was filmed in metro Detroit and Windsor. And he auditioned and earned a scene opposite Sigourney Weaver in the upcoming Lifetime movie *Prayers for Bobby*, which was shot around Royal Oak earlier this summer. From here on out, he plans to continue on with filmmaking and experiment in various genres, he said.

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"The Band" was created by Birmingham artist Victor Pytko.



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Rochester Hills' own Bob Daily brings his wood-turning abilities to Art & Apples

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA
O&E STAFF WRITER

While Bob Daily currently whittles away time working in his Rochester Hills home studio, the experienced woodturning artist traces his skills back to the Pennsylvania farm where he grew up. Daily learned the art form from his father, as they used a hand-built lathe to transform timber into walnut plates for their church. Honing his craft over the years, Daily now fashions everything from decorative platters to stunning vases out of wood.

He'll be among the 270 artists featured in this weekend's Art & Apples festival in his hometown. Perhaps the most intriguing aspect of his designs involves the way Daily incorporates the raw material's irregularities into his handmade one-of-a-kind functional and decorative works.

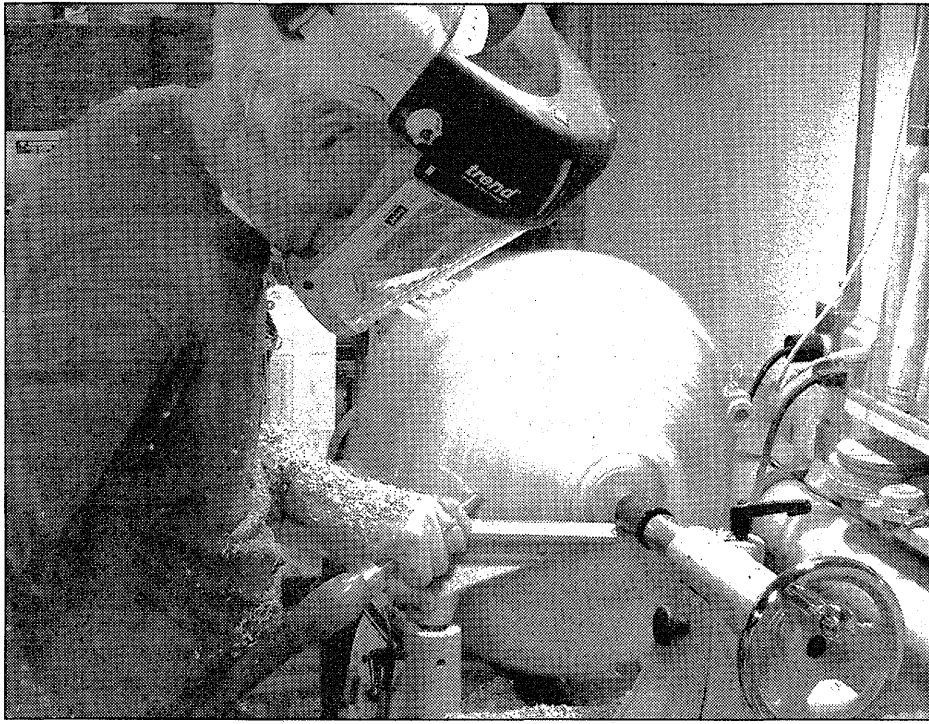
"As an artist, I find that it is rare to work with a material that is completely recyclable and sustainable," he said. "The irregular imperfections and inclusions found in wood are fascinating and they lend to the spontaneity of my tuning process."

Daily took a moment to share a bit more of his background and artistic experience with FILTER, prior to the festival. Here's what he had to say:

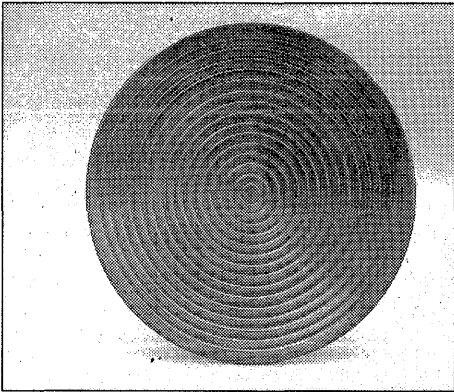
FILTER: How long have you been involved with this festival? What drew you to want to participate in it?

BD: Since moving to Rochester Hills in 1984, my family and I have attended Art & Apples every September enjoying the artwork, apple pies and the many festivities that it offers. In fact, for many years we sponsored a food booth for our daughter's Rochester Select Soccer Club team at the festival.

Upon taking early retirement from DuPont after a 38-year career, I decided to continue my woodturning full time, which offered an opportunity to participate in art shows and to display my work in galleries. During the past two years, I have been fortunate enough to have been accepted as an artist for the Art & Apples Festival, as well as several of the country's other more prestigious juried art shows. As a local resident, I consider



Rochester Hills resident and Art & Apples artist Bob Daily is a self-taught wood-turner.



This black coil platter is made of cherry wood by Rochester Hills artist Bob Daily, who brings his work to Michigan's second-largest art fair this weekend.

my acceptance in this annual event an honor, as there are so many outstanding artists from all over the country participating as well.

FILTER: Tell me about your wood pieces. How many will you have at the fair?

BD: I offer both functional and

decorative pieces made from reclaimed domestic hardwoods and other unique or exotic woods from around the world. I frequently try to incorporate natural inclusions as design elements. Each piece is unique and considered one-of-a-kind.

With a varied price point, I offer the following lathe-turned wood art: Bowls, bottle toppers, platters, cutting boards, vases, cheese trays, hollow vessels (and) gift items.

FILTER: Being a Rochester Hills resident, does this event have any specific meaning to you?

BD: As a Rochester Hills resident and an active volunteer throughout the greater Rochester community for the past 24 years, I have found that participating as an artist in the annual Art & Apples Festival also allows me to support the Paint Creek Center for the Arts as well. The festival weekend also offers an opportunity to reconnect each year with the residents and old friends who drop by to visit my booth.

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APPLES

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"With National City's returning support, we are able to focus on our overall goals of increasing both festival attendance and awareness of PCCA and the wonderful programs we offer throughout the year," said Suzanne Wiggins, executive director of Paint Creek Center for the Arts. "It is an honor to have the festival again recognized nationally, and we believe this year will be even better than the last!"

Art & Apples drew more than 110,000 patrons last year.

Karen Cuthbertson, special events and membership director for the PCCA, said expansion is the name of the game this September. And most of the additions will appeal to children and families.

Both the Kids Art Zone and Activity Zone will be expanded this year as the PCCA and Detroit Institute of Arts will offer artist demonstrations and make-and-take art projects on the grounds. The life-sized art maze has grown — and will be constructed out of fabric rather than hay this year. Children will be encouraged to match puzzle pieces with famous works of art placed throughout the maze. Also new this year, Cuthbertson said, is the addition of the Rochester Youth Soccer League. They'll be organizing activities, and hosting soccer drills and teaching skills.

The Detroit Pistons will bring along their Truck Hoop Tour filled with memorabilia and to give kids a chance to play basketball. And The Henry Ford will, for the second year, open the doors to its Ford Rouge Factory Tour so visitors can experience the assembly line life. Skate board fanatics can pay admission to try a custom-made skate ramp

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And FANUK Robotics will join the fray with an apple-picking robot.

"Our activities have gotten bigger and better," said Cuthbertson. "We're gearing everything toward families and art enthusiasts."

Art remains at the center of the festival, and this year more than 270 artists will showcase their works in an array of media, including textiles, watercolor, wood-working, glassblowing, pottery, jewelry and more.

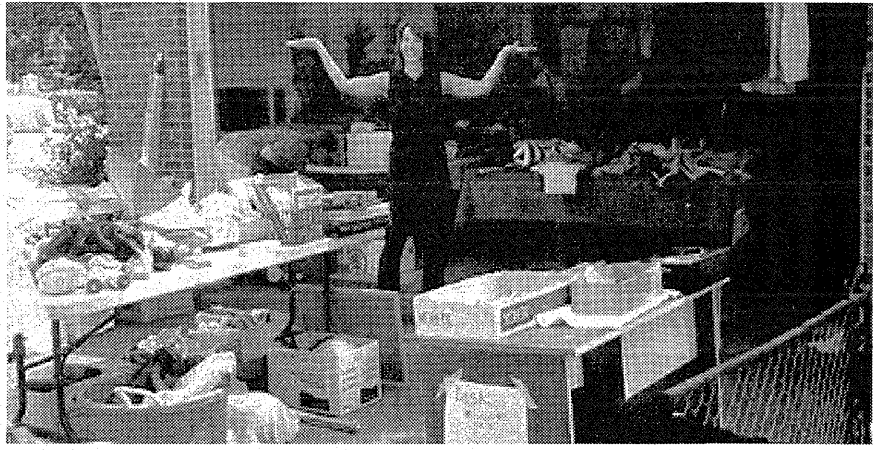
Beaubien's work is centered around her own hand-made paper. She fashions sheets of paper and textured paper straight from pulp and then paints it, marbles it or transforms it into a collage. "Some pieces are left as paintings," she said. The finished product is elegant, abstract and a festival mainstay.

Art & Apples will also offer three stages of entertainment — lasting from 4 p.m. Friday to 4 p.m. Sunday. The Chrysler Foundation Main Stage will host national acts, including The Red Handed, The Klezmaniaks, and Rock Bottom, local favorites like Hubbell Street Jazz and Rochester's own Paul Green School of Rock, as well as dancers from Deborah's Stage Door, area gymnasts, and performances by all three Rochester area high school bands.

And don't forget the apples. For the second year, Art & Apples will include an apple pie baking contest, set for 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 6. The winner will receive a one-of-a-kind pie dish and publicity, while bake off contestants and patrons alike will be able to purchase slices of contest pies for \$2 each, and proceeds will benefit Paint Creek Center for the Arts.

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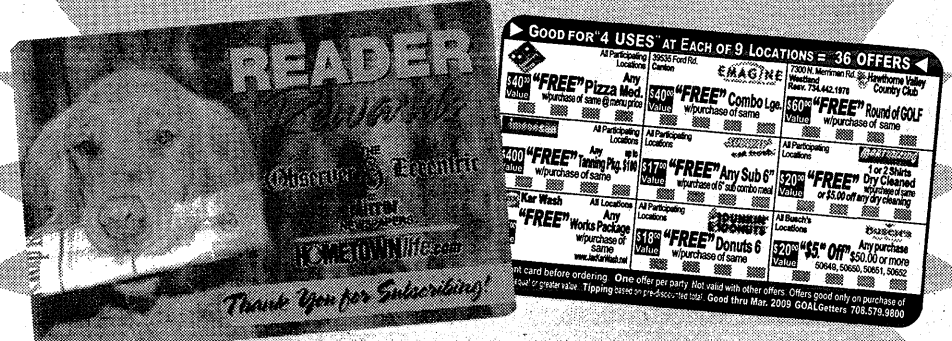
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End of summer means: pasta sauce – with fresh tomatoes

BY LANA MINI
OGE STAFF WRITER

The tomatoes are ripe!
Fresh, fragrant tomatoes are great when sliced and mixed in a simple salad with basil and cucumbers all grown in your garden. Top with vinegar and oil.

If you're like me, you grow so many tomatoes that you give them away. But, you can keep them to yourself by making big portions of fresh tomato sauce for spaghetti. Freeze it for winter months. Below is the tomato sauce recipe my family has used for generations. It comes from Carini, Sicily. We don't use sugar, ever.

If you didn't grow tomatoes, but now have a hankering for a bowl of spaghetti, here are some favorite restaurants with good sauce.

We couldn't include every great Italian restaurant because metro-Detroit is graced with many.

Some restaurants serve tomato-basil sauce, which is smooth. Others offer marinara, a chunkier sauce. Arrabiata is chunky with red pepper flakes and often hot banana peppers.

DUE VENTI

It just opened this month and focuses strictly on Northern Italian cuisine. The owners say they stew the sauce for hours, which is exciting. See the next issue of *Filter* for more details. Open for dinner only. In Clawson at 220 S. Main St. in the former Bel Cibo marketplace.

VILLA AMANTEA RESTAURANT

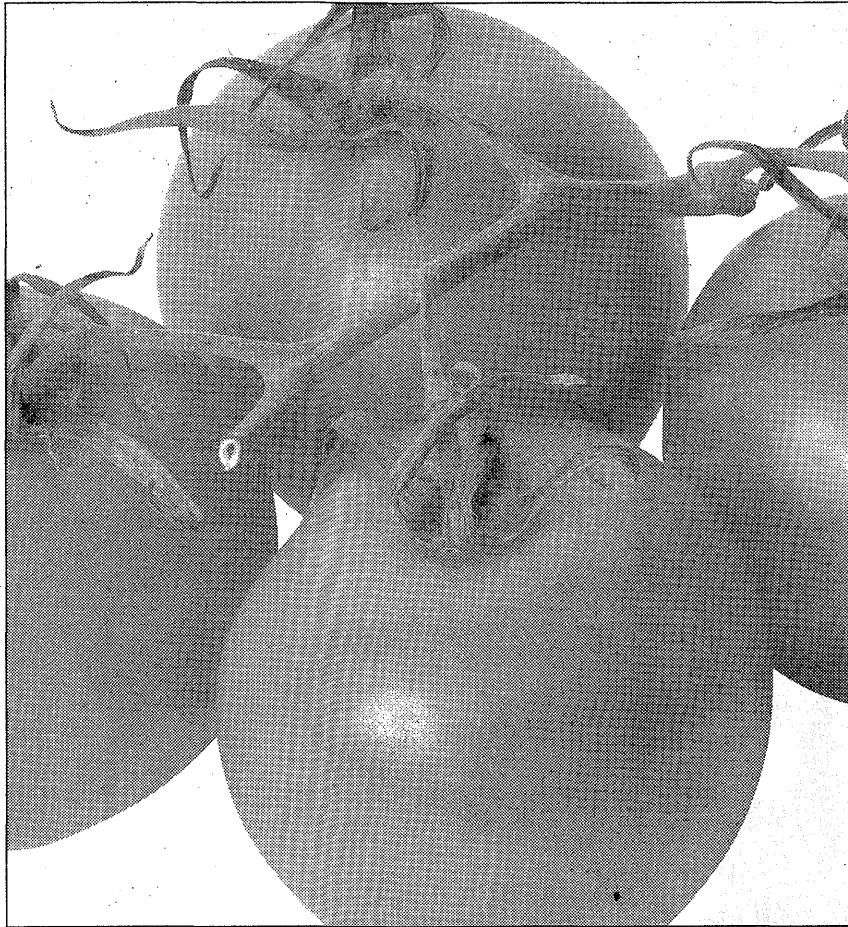
A very good tomato basil-sauce. And Lambrusco is available, which to some people is very pedestrian, but to a first-generation Sicilian like me, this is a good thing.

32777 Warren Road, Garden City, (734) 421-1510, www.amanteaa.com.

AMICI'S PIZZA

It's the first truly green restaurant in Michigan! Everything is recyclable. Try their fine sauce served over lasagne; it's hard to find a good restaurant lasagne. Amici's gives the choice of vegetarian or meat lasagne, both with fresh Roma tomatoes. (And of course that pizza is amazing.) 3249 W. 12 Mile Road, Berkley, (248) 544-4100, www.amicispizza.com.

ANDIAMO ITALIAN WEST



They have one of the best fresh minestrone soups around and at all locations you can get a spaghetti with a choice of meat, tomato, tomato basil, marinara, Arrabiata or Palamina sauce. Locations: Livonia, Rochester, Royal Oak, Novi and Bloomfield Hills. For details visit www.andiamoitalia.com/.

BACCO RESTAURANT

I love that people dress well to come here on a weekend night. The salads have interesting items like olive tapanade with arugula and fresh golden beets. Try the gnocci with zucchini. The tomato sauce is wonderfully simple: tomato and basil — the way it should be.

29410 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield, (248) 358-0344, www.baccoristorante.com.

BISTECCA ITALIAN GRILLE

The piano bar is romantic but I like it here at lunchtime for the gnocci primavera with marinara and fresh veggies. 39405 Plymouth Road, Plymouth, (734) 254-0400, www.labistecca.net.

BUCA DI BEPPO

A lot of people are against chains and franchises, but good food is good food. I love Buca di Beppo. My dad, from Sicily, loves Buca — which means "Joe's Basement." The portions are huge. The quality is great. They make a good pasta with tomato sauce. And ... if you look around you'll see my pappy's photo hanging on the Buca walls — as seen here with his sister taken decades ago. Locations at 270 North Old Woodward, Birmingham (248) 540-9483 and 38888 Six Mile Road, Livonia, (734) 462-6442, www.bucadibeppo.com/.

COMPARI'S

It has a fun patio bar, so dine outside while summer's still here. The ambiance is relaxed. The Bruschetta is great with fresh diced tomatoes, lots of garlic and olive oil. Try the old-fashioned spaghetti with marinara served with family-style salad — meaning one big bowl for the whole table. 50 S. Main, Plymouth, (734) 416-0100, www.comparisdining.com.

MARIO'S DETROIT

Not to be confused with Eastside Mario's, the Detroit location has been around since 1948. It's a fine supper club where people make dining an entire night out. There's often live entertainment. Their fettuccini is homemade along with the slow-cooked tomato-basil sauce. Locations: 4222 Second Ave., Detroit, (313) 832-1616 and 1477 John R Road, Troy, (248) 588-6000, www.mariosdetroit.com.

LARCO'S ITALIAN GRILL

There are two locations, Troy and West Bloomfield, and I visit the latter. It's fun here at Happy Hour, Mondays through Fridays from 4 to 8 p.m., where a bowl of pasta is just \$7. Choices include pomodoro sauce with fresh plum tomatoes, garlic and fresh basil; marinara with fresh plum tomatoes, herbs and spices, plus many more. Locations: 6480 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, (248) 626-6969 and 645 E. Big Beaver Road, Troy, (248) 680-0066, www.larcositalian.com.

PICANO'S

I love how old-fashioned Picano's feels. I love when the musicians take a break and chit-chat with patrons about the food. I like the "pasta your way" because here they accommodate. Nine different sauces to choose from including the basilica with fresh tomato and basil sauce or the marinara with capers. 3775 Rochester Road, Troy, (248) 689-8050, www.picanos.com.

CAFE CORTINA

The family-owned business has its own garden. Here you can have a meal with fresh rapini, arugula, basil, eggplant, swiss chard, peppers and yes, tomatoes. If you must buy sauce in a jar, buy it from Cafe Cortina (you can order from the Web site). The restaurant itself is lovely with brick walls and white linen tablecloths. 30715 W. 10 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, (248) 474-3033, www.cafecortina.com.

AND MY CO-WORKERS RECOMMEND:

Rose's Restaurant: A family restaurant that is loved by locals. 201 N Canton Center Road, Canton, (734) 981-9904

Palermo's Restaurant: You can

get broccoli and garlic on your pizza along with the standard toppings. But do try the potato gnocci with marinara. 44938 Ford Road, Roman Forum (734) 981-2030; 41601 Ford Road, Canton, www.palermopizzacanton.com

DeLuca's Restaurant: Managing Editor Joe Bauman says the pizza is "to die for." Others recommend the homemade ravioli and gnocci with portobello sauce. 27427 Warren Road, Westland, (734) 422-8900, http://www.delucas.us/.

Mamma Mia: Locals come here over and over again for years. 19385 Beech Daly Road, Redford, (313) 537-0740

MY SICILIAN TOMATO SAUCE

This recipe can be doubled if you want to serve four and give an option for a second helping. Or quadruple the recipe and freeze it.

- 5 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 4-6 cloves garlic, crushed (I use six)
- 2 pounds fresh tomatoes, crushed (you can chop them and squeeze with your hands, or press down on them with a spoon in a deep bowl to prevent splatters)
- 1 (6 ounce) can tomato paste (I prefer Contadina)
- 2 cans of water using the can from the tomato paste
- 8 leaves fresh basil leaves
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon fresh ground black pepper

Note:

For every pound of fresh tomatoes required, substitute one 14.5-ounce can of drained diced tomatoes. About six medium Roma (plum) tomatoes equals one pound; an average beef-steak tomato weighs 8 ounces.

Directions:

In a large saucepan over medium-high heat, saute onions for five minutes. Then add garlic and saute until onions are clear (about 10 to 15 minutes, careful not to burn garlic). Add the crushed tomatoes, water, tomato paste, garlic, salt and pepper. Let the sauce come to a boil, lower heat to LOW where there is just an occasional bubble. Add the basil. Stir occasionally until desired thickness. If you are using fresh tomatoes, you don't need to cook for more than an hour or else you will lose the fresh tomato taste. If you choose to use canned sauce, I cook it for two to three hours.

Serve over spaghetti (long) pasta noodles.

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From left to right: The Anelli Gianni, \$290; Rio bag, \$220; The Hannah, \$270; The Huma Python, \$240.

Southfield native launches national handbag line

BY WENS DY VON BUSKIRK
O & E STAFF WRITER

Jennifer Loren isn't concerned with making money, as long as she can make what she loves.

The Southfield High School graduate, who now lives in Los Angeles, is the fashionista behind Gabriella Giovanni, an upscale line of handbags and belts.

Loren recently unveiled her 2008 Fall collection, which includes nine styles of clutches, hobos and satchels in luxury leathers and skins, along with four '80s-inspired belts.

"The inspiration for this collection is round edges, circular shapes, it's kind of like Xanadu meets Art Deco," said Loren, 38.

Loren grew up in Ann Arbor, but when her parents got divorced she moved with her mom to California when she was six years old.

Shuttling between her mother and father, she returned to Michigan and graduated from Southfield High School, then got a degree from the Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising in L.A., followed by a bachelor's in journalism and public relations from Wayne State University in Detroit in 1993.

Her successful career in public relations and advertising has included clients like the NBA, Limited Too, Guess, Nickelodeon and MTV.

Loren even worked for a while in publishing, helping fashion professors write books on their curriculum which she sold to fashion schools.

Loren is now using her PR skills to promote her own company.

"It was one of those things where it was a burning desire that never went away, to design," Loren said. "PR and fashion are very much related. A lot of what makes a label a label is the PR function behind it."

Pieces from Loren's 2008 collection have appeared in InStyle magazine, as well as the LuckyBag Guide.

She sells her wares through sample sales, high-end boutiques and Web sites.

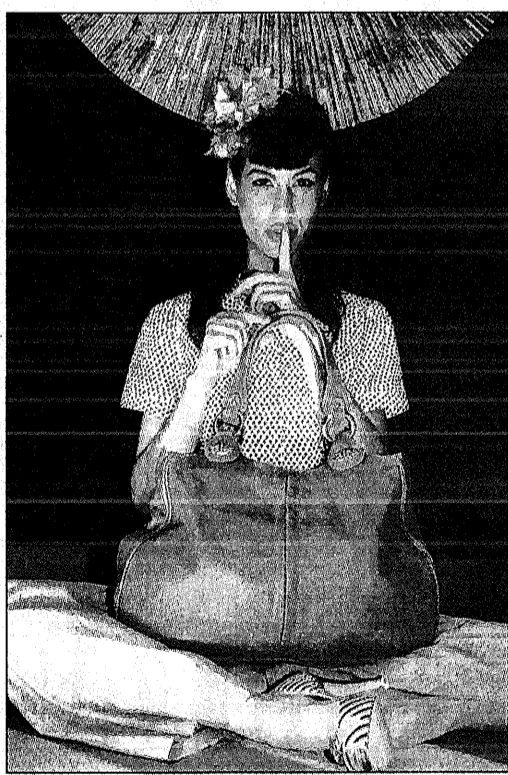
So far, Loren has manufactured everything in L.A., but recently set her sights on a factory in Costa Rica. In 2009 she hopes to introduce shoes.

Although sales in the luxury market have slowed recently, Loren wouldn't change a thing.

"It's something that if I never recover all the



PHOTO BY STEVEN JAMES SCOTT
Jennifer Loren



On top, a model clutches Gabriella Giovanni's Rio bag, \$220. Above, a model holds a gray leather Gabriella Giovanni tote, \$390.

money or don't make it really big it doesn't matter," Loren said. "I have creative autonomy and I'm having the time of my life, so it's okay."

Check out Jennifer Loren's Gabriella Giovanni collection at www.gabriellagiovanni.com or www.thelookloft.com.



A model displays Gabriella Giovanni's Tessuto Patent purse, \$585 at www.thelookloft.com.

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