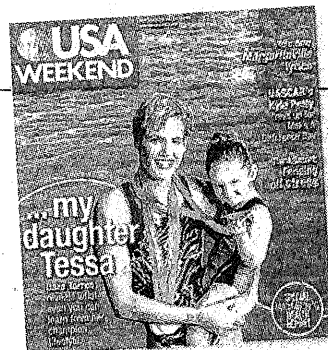


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Amid financial unrest, trustee worried about township funds

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

With the failure of Washington Mutual — the nation's largest savings and loan — resulting in a \$1.9 billion buyout by JPMorgan Chase & Co., many people are becoming more fearful of their savings accounts and their futures.

With the earlier collapse of such giants as Bear Stearns, Lehman Bros. and insurance giant AIG, Plymouth Township Trustee Chuck Curmi is

concerned about the township's \$12 million belonging to the general, water and other funds that are deposited in area banks.

"I'm concerned we're not covered with the FDIC (Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.) for anything over \$100,000 per account," Curmi said. "There aren't enough Michigan banks to spread that amount of money around."

"I'm encouraging (Treasurer) Ron Edwards to have a risk mitigation strategy other than watching the

bank," he added. "He can't know what's really going on. The banks aren't going to tell if they're going under."

Curmi said he's suggesting the township put its money in Treasury bills.

"With the full faith and credit of the federal government," he said. "It's not the kinds of returns we're used to getting. However, I'd rather have 1 percent and an insurance policy."

Edwards, on the other hand, warns township officials and residents

against becoming over reactive.

"I do not believe it is time to panic and make uninformed changes to investment strategies or financial institutions at this time," Edwards said. "It is a time for caution, a time to keep close watch on our deposits and investments, as well as a time to gather the best information available from other professionals in the investment community."

Edwards said U.S. treasuries aren't always as safe as they might seem. "Those of us in the investment

community have seen investment principle lost in cases where the funds need to be liquidated (spent) prior to the scheduled maturity of U.S. Treasury notes," he said. "This goes against the investment policy the township has adopted as to protecting principal."

Edwards said during his tenure as township treasurer he's "never lost a nickel of principal, even during 9/11" while investing township funds.

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Police warn residents of phishing scam

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Plymouth police are warning of a scam with the intent of capturing personal information such as Social Security numbers, online banking user identification numbers, debit and credit card account numbers and passwords.

The scam is commonly called phishing (fishing), and calls have been made to Plymouth-area residents in an attempt to collect private information.

"The caller is posing as a representative of Community Federal Credit Union," said Wayne Carroll, Plymouth police chief. "Community Financial will never call, e-mail, send a text or voice message to request your personal identifying information or account number, PIN number, password or card number. Do not provide information to any unsolicited request."

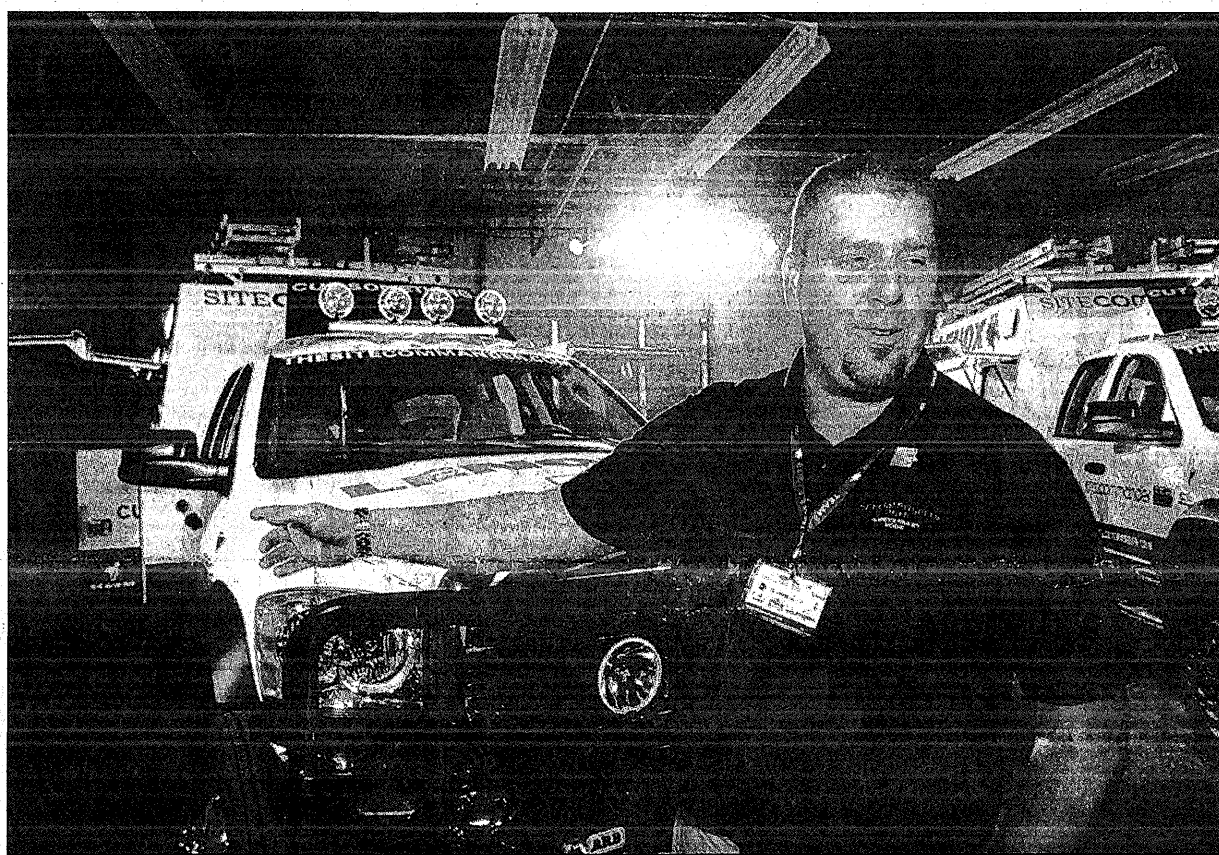
Community Financial CEO Bill Lawton says Plymouth residents were targeted Thursday and Friday.

"It's an automated calling system that tells people their account has been suspended," Lawton said. "If the member continues with the call by pressing a number, it asks for the 16-digit account number."

"We spend a lot of time educating our members and the community on identity theft," he added. "We don't need to call them for the information, we already have it."

Carroll said residents who receive phishing calls should contact either the Plymouth Police Department at (734) 453-8600 or Community Financial at (877) 937-2328.

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Matt Carr is part of the team responsible for the ultimate work truck execution.

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Conceptualizing dream rides

Local business has built concept cars for quarter-century

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Special Projects is a Plymouth Township company that's been in business for 25 years.

Located in a nondescript building in one of the township's industrial parks just west of Sheldon Road, you'd never know by just looking what goes on inside. However, despite that, most are very familiar with the special projects it produces.

Founded a quarter-century ago by Ken Yanez, 58, of Northville Township, Special Projects has built its reputation by being at the top of its class in building fiberglass, carbon fiber, steel and aluminum concept cars for the automobile industry. In fact, it's not unusual to see a number of its vehicles at auto shows across the world, including the North American International Auto Show in Detroit.

"Cars like the Chevrolet Volt and the Cadillac V16, the most prestigious concept that General Motors has built to date," said Matt Carr, director of business development for Special Projects. "The Pontiac Solstice, the Ford Super Chief



Rick Schwolsky, of Tools of the Trade magazine, shows off some of the SiteCommander truck's features, including computers and a coffee maker.

and the Ford hydrogen-powered Edge, the one in the pictures where (President) George Bush is plugging it in on the White House lawn

"We are really behind the scenes," he added. "We build other people's dreams."

So it was very unusual this past week when Lenox Tools unveiled

the SiteCommander, which it bills as the ultimate work truck, at the Special Projects production facility. It's a heavy-duty Dodge 5500 HD four-wheel-drive quad-cab pickup with a 16,500-pound wench, a 7,000-watt generator and a gull

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Grants help with museum, PSO programs

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth Canton Symphony Orchestra and the Plymouth Historical Museum have been awarded grants which will be used to fund educational programs.

The symphony has been granted \$9,000 from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs to promote both educational programs and orchestral performances. Musical director and conductor Nan Washburn has made it a hallmark of the orchestra to support living composers and great American music during her 10-year tenure.

"We believe in highlighting the work of new American composers, especially those from Michigan, as a regular part of concert programming," said Beth Stewart, executive director. "It's a wonderful way to introduce our audiences to new and beautiful music. To be honored by the state of Michigan, especially in this economic climate, is especially rewarding."

The Plymouth Historical Museum will use its \$3,700 matching grant from the Motorcities National Heritage Area to create an interactive touch screen kiosk in front of the museum's Alter Car exhibit in the Timeline of Plymouth exhibit.

The kiosk, which will be the second in the museum, will allow visitors to select options and learn more about the Plymouth invention and its inventor, Clarence Alter, as well as the history of automobile entrepreneurs and the transition from horseless carriage to the automobile in the Plymouth area. Museum director Liz Kerstens said the kiosk should be operational early next year.

"Technology is our future," Kerstens said. "It gives us another way to tell a story, and we can tell more in that small space than we can with a number of objects. We can expand on the various topics and people get to pick what they want to read or hear."

"We need to entice people to learn about history and, in a compelling way, to show that history can be fun," she added.



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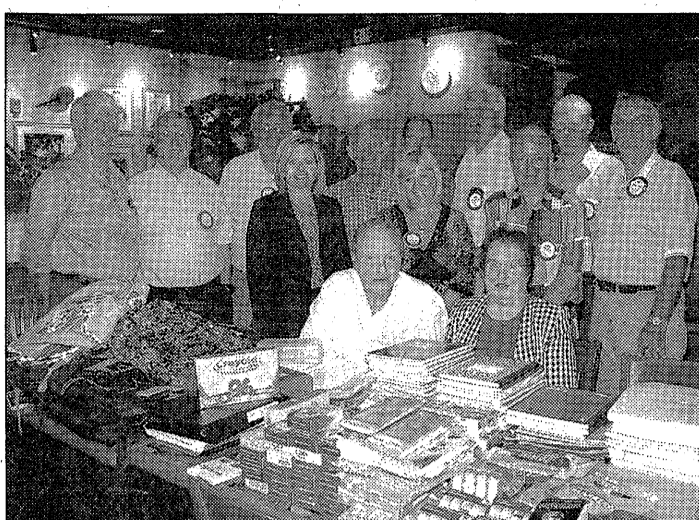
Robin Williams comes to the Fox Theatre

"Around Plymouth" is designed to announce upcoming events taking place in the community. Items will run on a space-available basis. Send details to bkadrich@hometownlife.com

Uptown Players auditions

The Plymouth Uptown Players hold auditions for the upcoming season 6-9 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1, at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon in Plymouth. Auditions are open to children ages 5-12, who are asked to bring a poem to recite. All children who audition will receive a part in a play. Through this program, sponsored by the Plymouth Community Arts Council, elementary and middle school aged kids have the opportunity to learn live theater with a group of their peers. This 12-week program culminates in a play performed on a stage at the Plymouth Community Arts Council. Long-time director Sharon Belobraidich has returned this year from retirement to lead the Plymouth Uptown Players. The fee for the program is \$150. For more information contact the Plymouth Community Arts Council at

(734) 416-4278 or tamara@plymoutharts.com
Rummage sale
The Plymouth Community Arts Council is having a rummage sale 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 18, at the Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center for the Performing Arts, 774 N. Sheldon in Plymouth. Drop-off of donated items will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 17. The center is looking for art, equipment, books and gently used coats/jackets and household items. The PCAC is a 501(c)3 so all donated items are tax deductible. All proceeds from the sale will go to programming at the PCAC. Unsold items will be donated to the AM Rotary Literacy Project and other local organizations. Volunteers are needed to sort on Friday and work the Rummage Sale Saturday. If you are interested e-mail volunteer@plymoutharts.com For more information, call (734) 416-4278.
McCotter staff hours
The staff of Congressman Thaddeus McCotter will conduct office hours 12:30-1:30



Giving back

At a recent Canton Rotary Club meeting, members donated backpacks and school supplies to the Plymouth-Canton Clothing Bank, which collects new underwear, new and gently used clothing, school supplies and monetary donations for students and families in the Plymouth-Canton school district who are in need of these items. The Clothing Bank operates during the school year and is open by appointment only. Families in the district whose children need these services can call (734) 416-6179 to make an appointment. Last year, the Clothing Bank helped approximately 650 families.

p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, at the Plymouth District Library so that the citizens served by the congressman have the opportunity to speak with a staff member one on one regarding any federal issue that they might have. McCotter has two offices in the district to serve his constituents. The Livonia office can be reached by calling (734) 632-0314 or the Milford office is available at (248) 685-9495.

Chorale scholarships
The BeckRidge Chorale announced it once again offers scholarships to college and high school students, age 16 and over, to honor our com-

mitment to vocal music and education. Scholarship winners must agree to participate as a member in good standing of the BeckRidge Chorale for its Fall and/or Winter 2008-2009 Seasons. For more information or to schedule an audition appointment contact us at (734) 416-9885 or visit the Chorale's Web site at www.beckridgechorale.com
Book drive
The Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M. is sponsoring a Book Drive at the Plymouth Chili Cook-off 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 5. New or gently-used chil-

drens' books for pre-school to sixth grade are welcome. They will be donated to Tanger School in Plymouth and Sampson-Webber School in Detroit. Books can be dropped off at the Rotary Harley-Davidson Motorcycle Raffle Booth located on the west side of Kellogg Park where Rotary will be selling raffle tickets for a fabulous Harley-Davidson bike.
BeckRidge auditions
The BeckRidge Chorale will conduct auditions for its upcoming 35th-anniversary season. Auditions will be by appointment only. Auditions are for all voice parts. The adult ensemble is composed of members from all over southeast Michigan. To schedule an audition appointment or for more information, call (734) 416-9885 or visit www.beckridgechorale.com

Jazz at the Penn
The Schoolcraft Jazz Ensemble plays the Penn Theatre in downtown Plymouth 8 p.m. Monday, Oct. 13. The box office opens at 7:30 p.m., with admission set at \$3. The Schoolcraft Jazz Ensemble is comprised of both students of the college and members of the community. A traditional Big Band with an enthusiastic enjoyable sound performing a wide variety of selections from Louis Armstrong, Count Basie, Glenn Miller, Dizzy Gillespie and Thelonious Monk.

The Penn Theatre is located at 760 Penniman. For more information, call (734) 453-0870.
Grief workshop
Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church sponsors an eight-week grief workshop, "From Grief to New Hope," beginning Oct. 27. This free workshop is open to the community and will be presented by John O'Shaughnessy from New Hope Center for Grief Support. Each session will begin with a talk about one aspect of grief followed by small group participation led by trained facilitators. Each person will be placed in a group with others who have had similar losses. The workshop will meet for eight consecutive Monday nights from 7-8:45 p.m. at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church located at 47650 N. Territorial in Plymouth. For registration information call the parish office at (734) 453-0326, Ext. 221.

Call for crafters
The Delta Kappa Gamma Education Society hosts its annual juried handmade-only Craft Show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 18, at West Middle School in Plymouth. Organizers are expecting some 1,500 customers for the show, which also features food and drawings. For more information, call Sandy Downs at (734) 340-4229 or e-mail Judy Stone at JBSTONE 716@COMCAST.NET.

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Organizations already seeking holiday help for disadvantaged

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

While it's still three months until Christmas and most people haven't even thought about holiday gifts, it's not that way for local organizations looking to help those who can't afford gifts and a meal for the holiday.

"We've been taking phone calls and scheduling appointments for people applying for assistance," said Laurie Aren, the Salvation Army Plymouth Corps' director of family and community ministries. "We already we have 60 families coming to talk about their income versus expenses, what's happening in their households and how the Salvation Army

can help them."

The Plymouth Corps has a number of opportunities to help families in need, including the Toy Shop, which has donated gifts for children up to 18 years old, and the Adopt-a-Family program.

"We give those who adopt families a list with a want and a need for members of the adopted family," said Aren. "They also buy gift cards so the family can have Christmas dinner."

Last year, according to Aren, there were 200 families in the Adopt-a-Family program and more than 120 families that came through the Toy Shop. "I think the numbers are going to skyrocket this year because of the economy," Aren said.

Anyone wanting to give toys or adopt a family can contact the Salvation Army at (734) 453-5464.

Meanwhile, the Plymouth Goodfellows has begun its campaign to make sure no child in Plymouth is without a Christmas.

"Last year we were able to give gifts to 300 children from 90 families that requested help," said Penny Irwin, president of Plymouth Goodfellows. "We've been lucky the past few years with the generosity of people and businesses in Plymouth who help us financially. Some businesses have even adopted entire families."

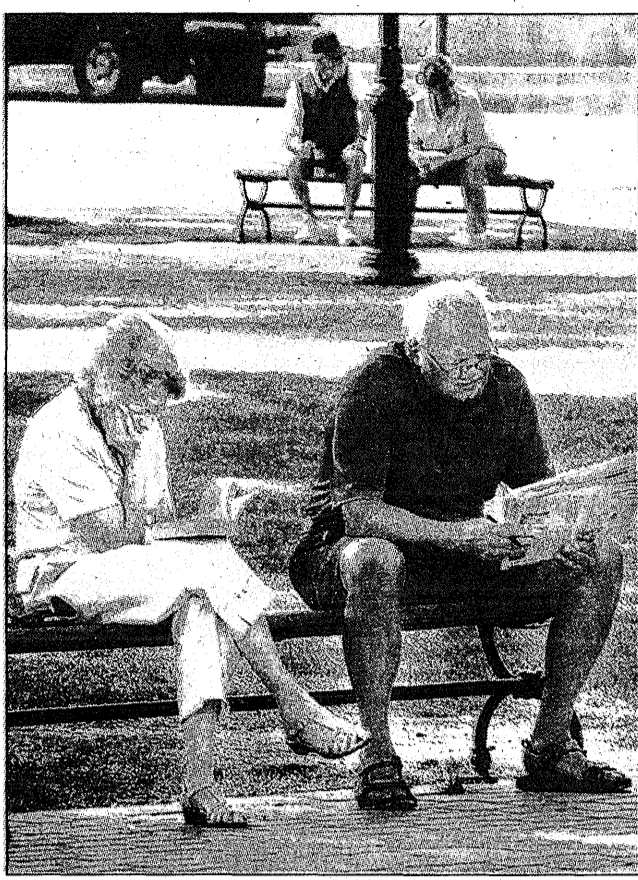
The Goodfellows will have their annual newspaper sale

to raise money on Dec. 6 at various stores in the Plymouth area. Those who wish to volunteer or donate money can send an e-mail to plymouthgoodfellows@yahoo.com.

The Salvation Army is also looking for bell ringers for its Red Kettle campaign, which begins Nov. 17 and runs through Christmas Eve. Teresa Moriarty, volunteer coordinator for the kettle campaign, said it's as easy as signing up for a location and time at www.ringbell.org.

"Our goal is \$235,000, and it's going to be a challenge," said Moriarty. "It seems when times are tough people give more from their hearts."

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Park-ing place

The calendar may say September, but there are plenty of fine summer-like mornings left. Joan Geary and Forrest Geary, both of Livonia, enjoy Tuesday morning in Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth.

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Corriveau out to prove he's earned re-election

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

State Rep. Marc Corriveau, D-Northville, admitted even he was a bit surprised when he was elected two years ago in what is generally considered a Republican 20th House District.

However, after the surprise wore off, Corriveau said he vowed one thing.

"I decided very early on that I was going to do everything I could to prove to people the opportunity I was given was well placed," Corriveau said. "That's been my motivation since I took the job."

"I've never missed a day of work or a vote," he said. "I was only one of about 10 in the House and Senate."

Two years later, Corriveau is seeking re-election in the Nov. 4 general election against Republican challenger Jerry Vorva of Plymouth.



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Democrat Marc Corriveau and Republican Jerry Vorva, who are running against each other for the 20th State House District, debate during a forum sponsored by the Canton Chamber of Commerce on Thursday at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill.

The 20th House District includes Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Canton Township

east of I-275, Northville, Northville Township and the city of Wayne.

MARC CORRIVEAU

Age: 37
Residence: Northville
Party affiliation: Democrat
Wife: Wendy
Children: Luc, 8, Eve, 6
Education: B.A. degree from Michigan State University in humanities. Law degree from University of Detroit-Mercy
Small business owner: The Corriveau Law Firm, formerly owned women's workout facility



Corriveau says he's done his best to put partisan politics aside and reach across the political aisle.

"I can't say it's always been successful," said Corriveau. "I've been able to get some

legislation out of the House on a bi-partisan basis, but a lot of it sits in the (Republican-controlled) Senate.

"In the first 100 days I passed a number of ethics and reforms bills that I believed would bring some transparencies to what we do here," he said. "I did the revolving door bill, where a representative can't go back to the legislature for at least one year (as a lobbyist). They sit in the Senate ... but that doesn't deter me from continuing to fight."

Corriveau said the new energy bill passed by the legislature will ultimately be good for Michigan.

"There's a renewable energy portfolio at 10 percent, and I tended to think we could have put a higher number," said Corriveau. "But, once we get rolling on that you'll see us attain that number and move past it because when people start realizing the benefits of

alternative types of energy and the lowering of costs, the incentive will be what business always dictates and that's cost and demand."

Corriveau said there are several areas where he'd like to make a difference.

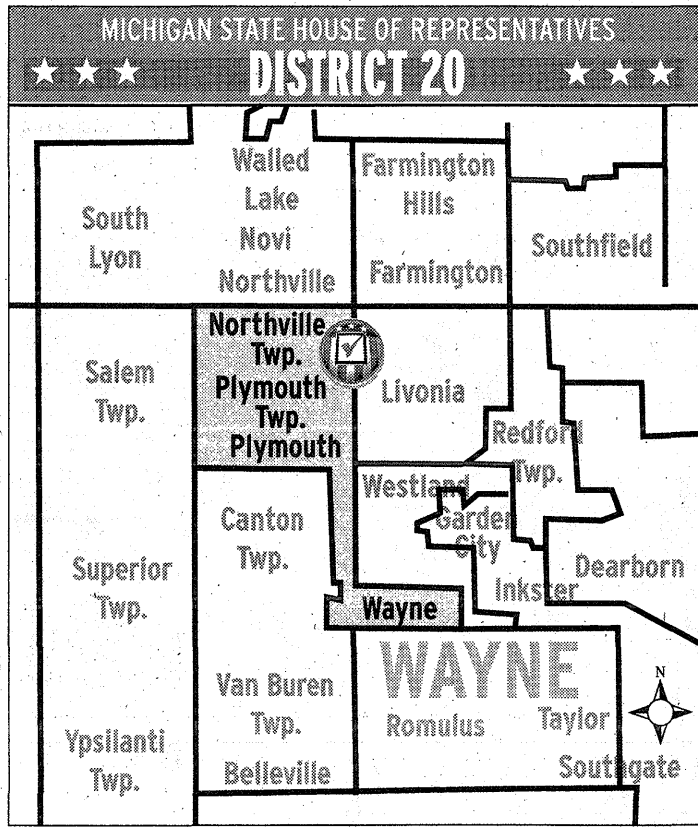
"I want to find solutions for our health care concerns," he said. "I want to continue to fight for jobs and diversification of our economy. The manufacturing base will still be there, but we have opportunities in tourism, the film industry and energy."

Corriveau said it will take both sacrifice and change to move Michigan forward.

"The easiest one is the Corrections Department," said Corriveau. "We spend \$35,000 a year per inmate, which is more than we spend on higher education. If there's a way to reduce the prison population in a safe manner we could save millions and millions of dollars."

Vorva ready to lead again after 14-year absence

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER



After an absence of 14 years, Plymouth resident Jerry Vorva wants back in Lansing.

Vorva, who served one term representing the 20th House District from 1993-95, is looking to replace Democrat Marc Corriveau on the Nov. 4 general election. Vorva, a Republican, wants to represent the district which includes the Plymouths, Northvilles, Canton Township east of I-275 and the city of Wayne.

"I'm running out of what I perceive is necessary," said Vorva. "If you look at what's going on in the economy, it's a terrible state of affairs. We need a sea change to get back to a situation where Michigan becomes a pro-business environment where families can live and enjoy their lives."

"People are hurting, their property values have dropped 35 percent in the past few

JERRY VORVA

Age: 56
Residence: Plymouth
Party affiliation: Republican
Wife: Joni
Children: Jason, 33, Shane, 15, twins Davis and Madison, 13
Profession: Realtor with Professional One Real Estate
Former Plymouth City Commissioner from 1989-93, former state representative, 1994-95
Education: Undergraduate degrees from Madonna University in sociology and criminal justice. Law degree from University of Detroit



years and yet their property values are going up," he said. "I felt someone had to say 'stop the foolishness, stop the politicking' in Lansing."

Vorva said he's running as a Republican because it more closely fits his philosophy, but he's really an independent.

"We need someone who's not going to be partisan and get something done," he said. "We need someone who won't be

obligated to his party."

Vorva said he's tired of politicians in Lansing growing state government and creating deficits, such as with the recently enacted energy bill.

"They spent \$2.5 million to add 25 more state employees," Vorva said. "We need systemic reform of government. The budget deficits we have will continue to rise if we do nothing. "The first thing we need to

do is offer tax relief to businesses to get them here," he said. "And, this is the time for public employees to take a 10-percent cut in pay and benefits across the board and immediately apply it to business tax relief across the board."

As part of the cuts, Vorva wants to make the full-time State Legislature into a unicameral legislature, with only one legislative or parliamentary chamber. An effort he tried, but wasn't successful, during his last stint in the state House.

"The only thing better than a unicameral legislature is a part-time unicameral legislature," Vorva said. "There are thousands of pieces of legislation worth tens of thousands of dollars and keeping hundreds and hundreds of people busy for no reason other than to justify their positions. We have a government that's way too big."

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Impeachment drive spurs Green Party candidate

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Erik Shelley thinks George W. Bush should be impeached and he's angry that the House of Representatives hasn't done it.

"Politically after the 2006 elections, we had a turnover in the House of Representatives and we thought that things would change," he said. "We thought the president would be held accountable and the war would be brought to an end, or more accurately the occupation of Iraq. As it turned out, that never happened."

Shelley's campaign for impeachment has fallen on deaf ears of Democratic and Republican House members, so he decided to run for the 11th District U.S. House seat as a member of the Green Party. On Nov. 4, Shelley of Redford will face incumbent Republican Thaddeus McCotter, Democrat Joseph Larkin and Libertarian candidate John Tatar, all of Livonia.

Shelley said a petition to impeach the president has gathered a lot of support, but not in Congress.

"I went down to John Conyers' office in Detroit and started to demonstrate there, talked to people in his office and eventually met with him," Shelley said.

He said the Detroit

ABOUT THE CANDIDATE

Age: 42

Residence: Redford Township

Occupation: Audio engineer

Education: Graduate of Central Michigan University

Marital status: Single

Party affiliation: Green Party

Web site: www.shelleyforcongress.com



Shelley

Democrat told him that an impeachment in a presidential election year would be damaging to the campaign.

Shelley next turned to his own conservative Republican representative, Thaddeus McCotter, hoping that he would at least hear his position.

"I've been completely dismissed. He refuses to meet with me and refuses to answer my questions," Shelley said.

Shelley did speak with McCotter's aide Andrew Anuzis.

"I asked him why is the president allowed to torture people, why can he add signing statements to avoid laws, why can his cabinet members

ignore contempt citations," he said. "He promised me answers in writing and that was three months ago."

McCotter's office released two letters responding to Shelley. One dated July 18, 2008, concerns immunity for telecommunications companies who assisted the government on tracking terrorists and one dated Sept. 25, 2008 disagreeing with Shelley on the impeachment issue.

Shelley said he wants to make the president accountable.

"The system is so defective that representatives don't think they have to listen to constituents," he said.

Shelley said it was the case of former Alabama governor Don Siegelman that first got his attention. Siegelman was convicted of bribery in 2006. His case has been under investigation by Congress and former Bush aide Karl Rove was called to testify on whether Siegelman's prosecution was politically motivated. He claimed executive privilege.

Siegelman is currently out of prison on appeal.

Shelley said he opposes the war in Iraq. Shelley is running as a Green candidate because his mother, Karen Shelley, is active in the party. She is also the Michigan coordinator of Ralph Nader's presidential campaign.



BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

Anger over Patriot Act moves Libertarian hopeful

ABOUT THE CANDIDATE

Age: 59

Residence: Livonia

Occupation: Retired Livonia Stevenson High School teacher,

retired U.S. Army Reserve

Education: B.S. and M.S. from Wayne State University, Army Command and General Staff College

Marital status: Divorced, two adult children

Party affiliation: Libertarian

Web site: http://johnntatar.lpwmm.org



Tatar

Retired Livonia school teacher John Tatar is making his second run to become the U.S. representative of the 11th Congressional District.

On Nov. 4, he will face incumbent Republican Thaddeus McCotter, Democrat Joseph Larkin and Green Party candidate Erik Shelley.

He said it was McCotter's support of the Patriot Act and House Resolutions 6166 and 5122 that got him involved in running.

"Those three have destroyed the Constitution and the Bill of Rights," Tatar said. "The government has the right to search and seize citizens of America if they are suspected of being terrorists. Government has the right to station troops in America to put under control public disorder. Government has the right to read your e-mail, to check out what type of library books you are reading. Government has suspended habeas corpus, which means they can lock you up and throw away the key until the conflict is resolved."

Tatar said those were serious issues and McCotter has supported them.

"I believe we need a choice," he said. "I believe if you vote for the same person twice or the Republicans or Democrats, you get the same stuff you've always been getting."

at whom on whatever they please and whenever they please and inflate the economy and raise the debt ceiling."

He said if there was a long-range plan to change the system, then he might support a temporary bail-out. But he said he prefers a "hard money" system such as readopting the gold standard for limiting the circulation of currency.

"We need to go back to being a republic, which our government was meant to be, and not a democracy," he said. "A republic is where we elect these politicians to go to Washington and do our bidding for us. I think we've gotten away from that."

Tatar, a retired officer in the Army Reserve, has strong reservations about the war in Iraq.

"We should have pulled our troops out a long time ago. We should never have gone into Iraq," he said.

He said the Bush administration went into the war without a mission or an exit strategy.

"I'm not sure we have the right to move into another country and set up an armed camp. I don't believe that's a correct scenario," he said.

Tatar said he is running a low-key campaign and financing it himself.

"I basically got angry over the Patriot Act and Resolution 6166 and 5122. Our government is supposed to protect and defend the Constitution and we have put it aside," he said.

He said the Libertarian Party offers a different philosophy that upholds the Constitution.

"The Constitution was set up to control and restrict government and their behavior against the American people," Tatar said.

He blames the current economic crisis on a loose money system and questions the proposed Wall Street bailout proposal.

"It's a bandage for a problem that will yet later surface and more problems will develop from it. This is not by any means a fix," he said.

He said the United States is under a financial system under which the government can "spend

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Church connects with people from all cultures

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The church that was born out of a dream has become a reality for hundreds of worshippers.

Since its founding in April 2007, Greater Than Dreams Church has become a spiritual home to more than 400 people.

"It has been incredible to see how people are drawn to the church," said church member Karen Quinn. "This church has changed my walk with God and brought my family closer."

Quinn's husband, Chauncey, ministers at the church under

the leadership of Pastor Larry Mack.

Bringing in members from Detroit, Flint, Ypsilanti and Bowling Green, Greater Than Dream's Sunday morning service takes place at the Emagine Theater on Ford Road.

"When I was 23 years old, I had a dream where I visualized myself having a church inside a theater," says Mack, who later became an assistant pastor at a Toledo church. "I served faithfully for 16 years, but there was always this nagging inside of me that I was supposed to have my own church. I knew one day

I had to obey God."

And with that, Mack and his bride of 14 years, Marketa, moved from Ohio to Ypsilanti last year with their two young daughters.

"There was a calling for me to be in metro Detroit and Canton is the heart of the area," said Mack, noting that he and Marketa want to move to the township. "This is where we are supposed to be."

The non-denominational church, which has an office and food bank at 37655 Ford Road in Westland, flies in the face of the old saying that 11 a.m. Sunday represents the most segregated hour of the week by having a multi-cultural congregation filled with all ages.

"Jesus called all of the nations to come together and that's what we are doing," Mack said, adding that moving around during his childhood, as well as his time in the Army, helped shape his view that the country is a melting pot of cultures. "I have learned how

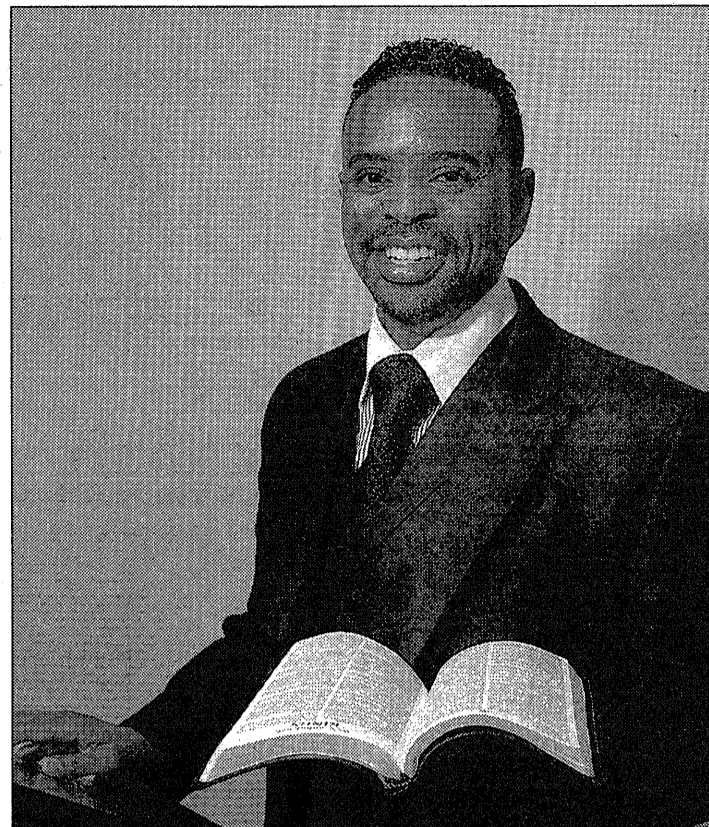
to connect with people and we learn from each other."

The church, which has a slogan of "Working for a Greater Tomorrow," teaches salvation, intercession, divine healing, deliverance, benevolence and discipleship.

"This is a place where people can be inspired and built up," Mack said. "I know what it's like to be down and out but no matter where we are or how bleak life may seem, we have to fight the good fight of faith."

Saying that this is the happiest he's ever been, Mack says that while the construction of a permanent worship center is on the horizon, he is enjoying the present time of his ministry.

"We are striving to be as excellent as we can be on the level we are on," he said. "Having (this church) has been challenging but it's also exciting because there is something about living your dreams and knowing you are in the will of the Lord."



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'Michigan's Defining Moment' forums hope to spur public involvement

The Center for Michigan has launched a public engagement campaign called Michigan's Defining Moment. Over the past year, it has held 180 "community conversations" that have resulted in their report, "Michigan's Defining Moment: A Common Ground Agenda for Michigan's Transformation."

As part of this work, The Center for Michigan, a self-described moderate think tank based in Ann Arbor founded by former Observer & Eccentric owner Philip Power, will hold a series of candidate forums, gatherings of candidates and community leaders and citizens from their areas.

The following is a listing of local candidate events for this fall. The list of candidate events for this fall is updated almost daily at the group's Web site, www.thecenterformichigan.net. Locally scheduled events include the following:

- Small-group candidate conversation, Sept. 30 at 8 a.m., at the Schoolcraft College VisTaTech Center, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia. 19th State House District Candidate John Walsh will host the meeting. Call or e-mail to RSVP: (202) 390-5766 or nshort@thecenterformichigan.net.

- Town hall forum featuring 20th State House District candidates Marc Corriveau and Jerry Vorva, Oct. 8 at 7 p.m., at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main, Plymouth. Call or e-mail to RSVP: (202) 390-5766 or nshort@thecenterformichigan.net.

Michigan's Defining Moment has four goals: Ignite and fan a citizen movement around a common ground agenda to transform Michigan; achieve long-term, comprehensive reforms of policy and politics in Michigan; provoke widespread and in-depth public engagement and civic education; and trigger a widespread sense of urgency, leadership and the political will to get something done.

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McCotter says House GOP won't 'rubber stamp' Bush bailout plan

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, said Friday House Republicans never agreed on an amended version of the Bush administration's Wall Street bailout plan.

On Thursday, House Minority Leader John Boehner, R-Ohio, objected to the bipartisan plan and offered an alternative plan at a contentious White House meeting that included House and Senate leaders and Republican presidential candidate Sen. John McCain, R-Arizona, and Democratic candidate Sen. Barack Obama, D-Illinois.

McCotter said the White House was jamming Congress to act quickly on Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson's plan to spend \$700 billion to buy up troubled bank assets caused by defaults on mortgages to prevent an economic meltdown because of frozen credit throughout the system.

"The irony here is that people who have been complaining that we are nothing but a rubber stamp for the presi-



McCotter

dent are now complaining that we won't rubber stamp this proposal," McCotter said. The original proposal was opposed by members

of both parties in Congress because it gave too much power to the Treasury secretary. The revised version would provide funding in installments, set standards on executive compensation, give taxpayers equity as funds return to profitability, provide oversight on the Treasury secretary's authority, modify mortgages to help homeowners and provide judicial review.

In response, House Republicans are proposing a recapitalization program using private investment backed by government insurance. McCotter said this forces the people who created the problem to use their money to correct it.

"We don't want taxpayers to be the first option," McCotter said.

He said the House Republican plan provides backup with federally backed insurance and keeping the Federal Reserve "window" open for deals like the Bear Stearns bailout.

The Republican plan would reduce or suspend capital gains taxes for investors under specific conditions. McCotter said economic activity generated would offset tax losses.

McCotter said Sen. John McCain "likes" the House Republican plan.

Democrats have complained that McCain is politicizing the process to further his presidential campaign and that if they acted without bipartisan support, they would face a campaign tying them with the Bush administration.

In a *Detroit Free Press* report, Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., chair of the House Financial Services Committee, said that McCain declined to take a position at the White House meeting.

In another news report, Frank is quoted as saying, "I

think McCain was hurting politically. I think this was a campaign ploy."

Obama said in press reports that he thinks an agreement can be reached but that more work needs to be done to get a consensus.

McCotter said the Democrats have the votes to pass the amended Paulson plan at any time. He said the House Republicans are only doing their due diligence in providing an alternate proposal.

He said that in fairness to House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., and Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., the Bush administration has known for a year that this crisis was coming and did not choose to work with Congress on a solution.

"Our position is that if she (Pelosi) and Obama think this has to be done, they can pass it. We're willing to talk about anything," he said.

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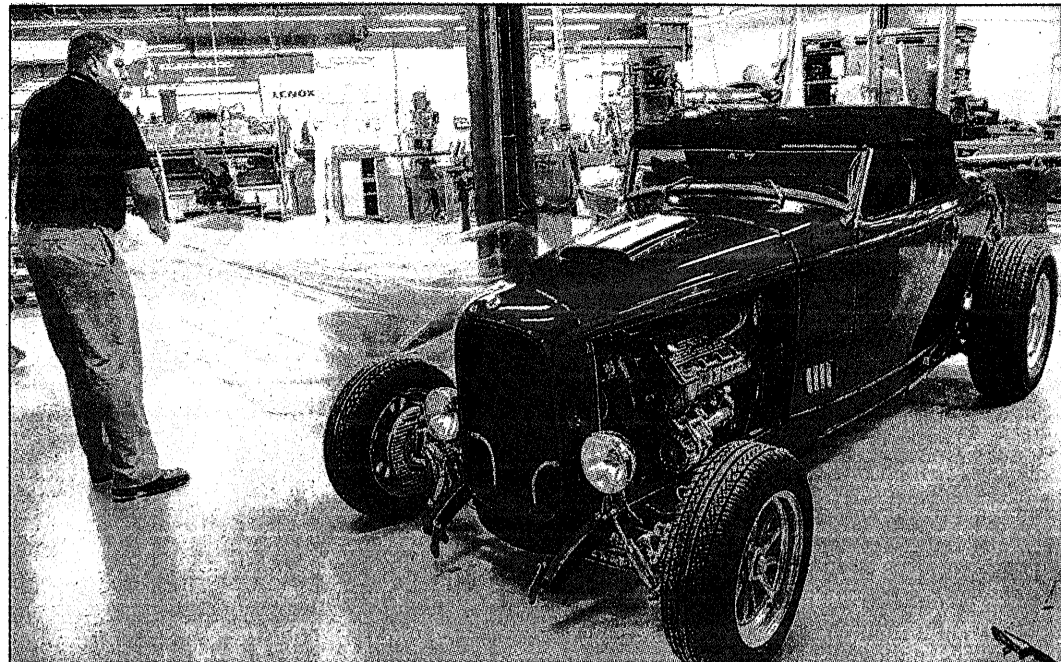
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Matt Carr shows a one-off street rod, autographed by Carroll Shelby of Shelby Mustang fame.

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CONCEPTS

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wing door that opens to store a Segway personal transporter.

The SiteCommander doubles as a mobile office that includes two Dell computers with a Sprint wireless access Internet card, weather station, fingerprint time clock for workers to punch in and out for the day, center console that opens to unveil a file cabinet and printer, satellite radio and navigation systems and a Bunn coffee maker.

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The SiteCommanders will be driven around the country as Lenox promotes its ultimate work truck.

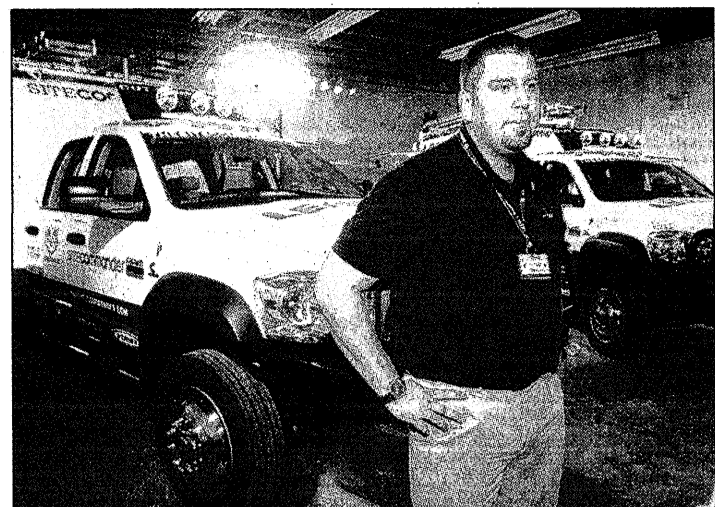
It took Special Projects employees — who are used to working on short deadlines — only eight weeks to build three of the concepts.

"That's what we do, that's what we're well-known for," Carr said. "The automakers know us to be a company they can rely on to come to with limited information. For a concept car, you might not have full blueprints for everything. We figure it out on the fly and fill in the gaps."

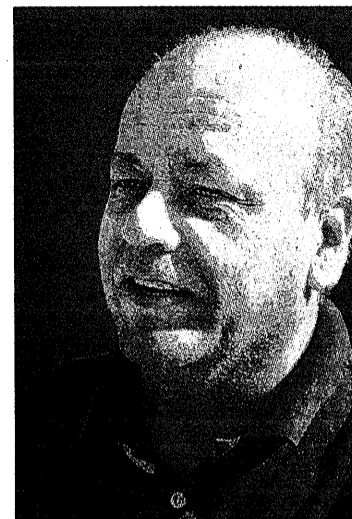
Kevin Meyer, 43, of Westland has been working at Special Projects for 13 years. Meyer said when they first get a concept project, the wheels literally start turning.

"I start thinking about it right away," Meyer said. "We have only so much time and you're already envisioning in your head and start running with it."

"Pressure? You get used to it," he added. "And when you see the end product, you say, 'Wow.'"



Matt Carr is part of the team responsible for the ultimate work truck execution.



Ken Yanez founded Special Projects, now celebrating 25 years in business.

Not only did employees at Special Projects build three of the trucks — valued at approximately \$250,000, according to a Lenox spokeswoman — for one of the rare times they actually got recognition for their craftsmanship with an unveiling at the company.

"We have never, in 25 years, had this kind of recognition for what we do," said Terry Steller, general manager. "We build concepts for Ford, GM

and they show the cars, but they never say it's us. But we're used to that."

For Yanez, it was his relationship with Ford that slowly grew the business to one where several automakers could be working on concepts in his facility at the same time. The only common space they share are the hallways they walk. Everything else is off-limits and secretive.

"I love giving tours because it still kind of blows me away," Yanez said. "We're one of the few places in the world that does all the work in our own buildings. We do very little outsourcing."

The Big Three automakers have cut back on their concept contracts, so Special Projects is moving into the military, aerospace and heavy truck markets. But one thing remains constant, Special Projects' goal of remaining on top of the concept world.

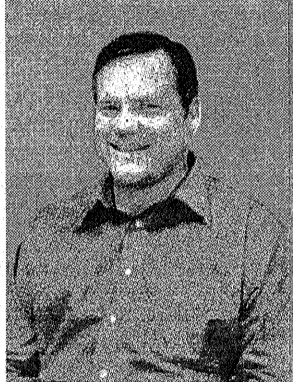
"When I came to Special Projects, I felt I hit the World Series of car building," Carr said. "The stages aren't higher anywhere else in the world for building cars."

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The Henry Ford features movie costumes

The Henry Ford in Dearborn, Michigan will present *Out of This World: Extraordinary Costumes from Film and Television* Oct. 11, 2008, through Jan. 11, 2009, at Henry Ford Museum. This exhibit is free with membership or admission to Henry Ford Museum.

Organized by the Science Fiction Museum and Hall of Fame in Seattle, *Out of This World: Extraordinary Costumes from Film and Television* features more than 40 costumes and related memorabilia from such blockbuster films as *The Wizard of Oz*, *Star Wars*, *Blade Runner*, *Terminator* and *Batman* and popular television programs such as *Star Trek* and *Battlestar Galactica*. The exhibition explores wardrobe design and how, throughout the years, costumes have become just as iconic as the

stars who have worn them. "The costumes displayed in this exhibit are just as much a part of our pop culture as the movies in which they were featured," said Jeanine Head Miller, curator of Domestic Life and Leisure. "The designers of these wonderful pieces of clothing combined color and style with the right cultural cues and historical traditions and created these memorable fashions with which we will forever associate our favorite characters."

Exclusive to Henry Ford Museum, the famous Batmobile driven by Michael Keaton in *Batman* (1989) and *Batman Returns* (1992), and the 1959 Cadillac Ambulance, featured in the *Ghostbusters* movies, will be on exhibit through January 2009.

To appropriately celebrate the opening of this fascinating take on film fashion

design, Henry Ford Museum will host "An Intimate Evening with Debra Landis," 7-9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7, from Debra Landis, wife of famed Hollywood director John Landis and costume designer for the Indiana Jones franchise, is the author of the new book, "Dressed: A Century of Hollywood Costume Design." She will share the inside secrets behind some of Hollywood's most beloved on-screen costumes. Tickets are \$45. For more information, visit our Web site at www.thehenryford.org.

Henry Ford Museum is open seven days a week, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$14 adults, \$13 seniors and \$10 youths; members and children four and under are free. For more information please call (313) 982-6001 or visit www.thehenryford.org.

Madonna students participate in autism event

Madonna University students have joined the list of teams participating in the second annual Autism Speaks, Walk Now event scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 12, at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

Graduate students in the University's Master's in Teaching Autism Spectrum Disorders program will participate in the walk for the second year in a row. The team raised \$1,500 during last year's walk at the Detroit Zoo. "Our goal is to raise \$2,000 this year," said Cassandra Wheeler, team leader.

Some walk to represent an autistic friend or family member. Madonna student Cheryl Evans walked last year with her daughter Jamie, who is autistic. "It is a wonder-

ful experience to be a part of something like that," commented Evans. "Plus, I can bring my daughter and there are no stares, just total acceptance."

"Anyone is welcome to join Madonna's team and walk along with us to support a great cause," said Wheeler. "Last year's walk was full of fun and laughter."

Walk registration, kid's activities and a Resource Fair begin at 10 a.m. The walk starts at noon. For more information, to join or form a team, or to make a donation, visit www.autismspeaks.org. Autism Speaks is a non-profit organization dedicated to funding global biomedical research into the causes, prevention, treatments and cure

for autism, while raising public awareness.

Madonna University's (www.madonna.edu) master's in teaching autism spectrum disorders (ASD) prepares certified teachers, through coursework and field experiences, to effectively facilitate learning for students with ASD. The interdisciplinary curriculum integrates developmental, behavioral, educational and medical research and theory. The program places emphasis on the child and the symptoms of the disorder. Students may choose to pursue the ASD endorsement alone, or incorporate it into a master's degree. Madonna University's main campus is conveniently located at I-96 and Levan Road in Livonia.



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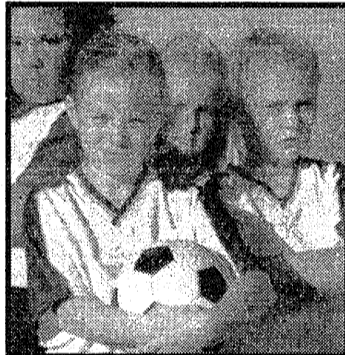
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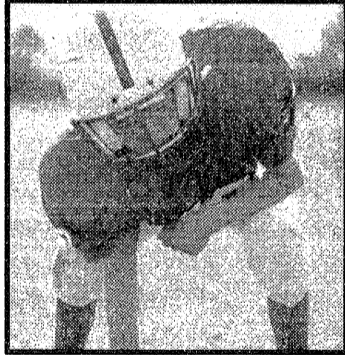
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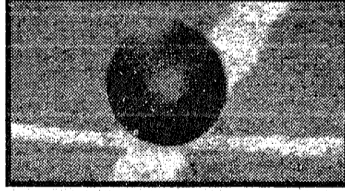
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New Canton 'casino' rolls the dice for good cause

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Those looking to scratch a Texas Hold 'Em itch can save the drive to Detroit and head to the Shark Club in Canton.

The Canton Charity Casino, open every Thursday through Sunday, is located inside the club, 42070 Ford Road.

"We are getting bigger by the day," said Tom Benoit, the casino's floor director. "We have about 20 regulars and now we are seeing a lot of new faces."

The casino, which opened Sept. 4, features Texas Hold

'Em tournaments and cash games. The casino, a venue for all skill levels and featuring trained dealers, works by offering itself to non-profit, charitable organizations for fund-raisers. The organizations are required to get temporary charity gaming licenses.

Benoit said the casino's calendar is nearly booked for the rest of the year and organizations have come from Northville, Garden City and Rochester. The biggest turnout was during the fund-raiser for the Salem High School football

and wrestling booster club.

"We get a mix of people," Benoit said. "Obviously some people come with a goal of winning, but for others, it's a little more relaxed. It's poker without the drive."

Benoit said the charity casino has a less competitive atmosphere than a traditional gaming hall and believes the popularity of the concept could allow it to expand into a nightly event.

"We're already talking about (fund-raisers) for 2009 with some groups," he said. "Charity casinos have replaced the

single Vegas Nights that a lot of groups were doing."

Benoit, a Westland resident, got his start by doing Vegas Night fund-raisers and said the Shark Club contacted him after one of the events and suggested the idea of him heading the charity casino.

"The more I thought about it, the more I thought it was a great idea," he said, adding that he wants to bring other games to the venue. "We are going to turn this into a mini casino."

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Chris Patrick, of Inkster, checks his poker hand at the Shark Club's Charity Casino last week.

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OUR VIEWS

Schoolcraft moves boldly into the high-tech future

Schoolcraft College took another bold step toward being a leader in 21st century education with the dedication of its new Biomedical Technology Center.

The \$13-million, 48,000-square-foot building brings together the science, math and medical classes with state-of-the-art laboratories, a high-tech lecture theater and classrooms designed for flexibility and collaboration.

The building itself features numerous green technology applications that are as cutting edge as the subjects that will be taught within the building's walls.

When architects were asked to design a building to meet the needs of future math and science students, they were given strong directions from Schoolcraft's administration, faculty and staff. Keywords kept recurring, words that resonant in real work world environments. Architects were told to plan for collaboration, flexibility, teamwork, state-of-the-art equipment and designing a building that will train students for occupations and technologies that don't yet exist.

It was a big assignment, a building that would encompass all the STEM and GRIN curricula that will provide the most exciting, best paying and most in-demand jobs in the coming years. STEM is an acronym for science, technology, engineering and math. GRIN stands for genetics, robotics, information systems and nanotechnology. As it has for many years, Schoolcraft is moving its curriculum to meet the needs of its students and the business community.

Schoolcraft President Conway Jeffress beamed at the Sept. 5 dedication, equally proud of the new building and the college's frugal approach to campus development.

"This building was done on time and on budget and that's the way we like it," he told the audience standing before three high-def television screens in the building's lecture theater.

Jeffress said Schoolcraft is taking the long view, to provide for a future still to be imagined.

The new Biomedical Technology Center is the perfect setting to boldly move into that bright future.

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Band was awesome

Without question I think everyone would agree that the High School Band was awesome at the recent Canton-Plymouth football game on Friday, Sept. 12.

As residents of Plymouth we have only seen the band perform at the parades in Plymouth. I have often wondered why the band did not play at home football games. The band did a great job, the music was good and their routine was excellent, and they made a very impressive sight on the home field.

It was an exciting game between Canton and Plymouth and having the sounds of the band certainly encouraged louder school spirit.

Go Chiefs!! We are hoping for a winning season!!!!

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

■ In response to "Judge neutrality is in best interest of district court" aarpeligible wrote:

"Just goes to show you that in the final analysis a judge having a particular subject matter expertise ("the law"), the same as an engineer, chemist, etc., that doesn't mean a judge automatically is imparted with any more wisdom or judgment than anyone else. As with any other profession, a long tenure can lead to a sense of entitlement and arrogance, and it appears that has occurred in this case. It is high time MacDonald moved on, and hopefully his endorsement of Plakas will lead to the same results as last time."

■ In response to "Friends create virtual dinner to help toddler" lpaffen wrote:

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LETTERS

Effective change

Every day "we, the people" are inundated with irrelevant election and mud-slinging nonsense. Ads that keep touting how our country needs "change" are nothing more than pure lip service.

Reactionary fixes to festering problems have had cataclysmic results. The financial news of this past week has proven this out and will continue to do so.

There is one (former) candidate who has been warning us and Congress for years about what has recently occurred in the financial markets. He was ridiculed throughout the 2007 debates. He has suggested real market solutions to remedy our "critical condition" economy, incomprehensible deficits, the unconstitutionality of direct taxes on our wages, the unconstitutional control of our monetary system by a private foreign corporation (which is not federal nor has any reserves), the real cause of price inflation (another tax) and, of course, our ineffective foreign

policy which has diminished our once-strong national defense into an aggressive international offense.

Although he suspended his campaign in June, this great American began a new, perpetual campaign entitled "Campaign for Liberty." Enter Ron Paul. Some media label him as a radical. This is interesting because our founding fathers were also considered radicals in their day. Defined, "radical" can also mean to get to the "root" of something ... like all of the above issues currently plaguing our great country.

As usual, most voters just go along to get along and will end up settling for the lesser of the two media-endorsed candidates. This is truly a wasted vote. Think about it carefully. Turn off *American Idol* and study who is really going to effect change to restore our republic.

For me, I will vote my conscience as I cannot vote for someone I don't respect. Wake up, America ... and hurry, please.

Bruce Hartdegen
Plymouth

FROM THE WEB

"Can't wait to honor Macaylah with a yummy meal! It's exciting be be part of something so grand! Lorraine"

iwaguy53 wrote:
"Wonderful story, wonderful people. Join in the "Virtual Spaghetti Dinner." Thank you Band Boosters for such a great idea."

■ In response to "Letters" MrScott wrote:

In regards to the letter titled: It's time for change, You say this as if the Democrats and Obama will bring about change. Well, Democrats too tend to spend money that the government doesn't have. What about the 100's days of change that Pelosi promised? (Still waiting for the Democratic congress to actually do something besides passing all those non-binding bills) As for Obama's change, I can't see how since he has never collected a paycheck from a profit oriented organization instead of a government backed organization. Let's not

forget Senator Obama has not even spent a full term in office (and half the time he was running for office of the president). (With the amount of vacation they get, two terms might equal one full term) What about Obama's new house care assisted by a criminal?

But I won't just bash Democrats and Obama though they have also assisted Bush and company. All are just as to blame for the mess this country is in.

■ In response to "Sheriff warns about posting videos online" chickenfight wrote:

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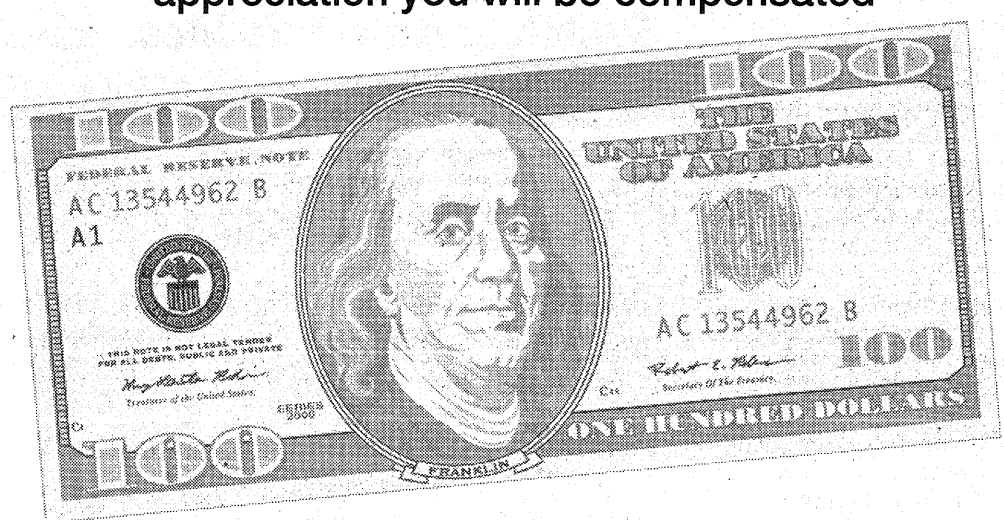
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For long-term investors, now is excellent time to invest

Dear Rick: I feel somewhat guilty in the fact that my business is doing fine and I have some extra money to invest. Do you think now is a good time to invest or should I wait?

You should not feel guilty for doing well in a challenging economy. Even with Michigan's 9 percent unemployment rate, 91 percent of people are still working. I think we tend to look at



Money Matters
Rick Bloom

the glass as half-empty as opposed to half-filled. Since you are looking long term, now is a great time to invest. The market is on sale. That doesn't mean I am declaring we've reached

the bottom of this crisis, because I don't know. Can the market fall even lower? Of course it can, however, as investors we never can hope to buy a stock at its ultimate low or sell at the ultimate high. It just doesn't work that way. It is impossible to time the market, and investors shouldn't attempt to do so.

If you are a long-term investor, now is an excellent time to invest.

Dear Rick: I just got done filing my 2007 tax return. I was not able to itemize deductions. Since I can no longer itemize, do I get any tax break for owning a home?

There are a number of tax advantages when you own a home and itemize — mortgage interest and property taxes.

Since you do not itemize, you don't receive these tax advantages. However, there is another tax benefit to owning a home and that is upon sale. When you sell a home that is your primary residence for two of the last five years, the first \$250,000 of gain for a single person, \$500,000 on a joint return, is tax-free.

Therefore, one of the key tax advantages of owning a home is the fact that for the great majority of people, the gain that they realize when they sell their house should be income tax-free. Of course, many people may not have a gain if they sell in today's market. However, for many long-term homeowners, this is a nice tax break.

I've always said don't buy a house for the tax benefits or as an investment. Buy a house for the quality of life it offers.

Dear Rick: For the last few years, I've always donated stock to a charity near the

end of the year. The stock I wanted to donate this year lost money. Does it still make sense to donate the stock?

It is a smart strategy to use appreciated securities to make charitable contributions. By donating appreciated securities, you receive a double benefit. Not only can you deduct the value of the stock as a

charitable contribution, you avoid the capital gains.

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I should mention that from

the charity standpoint it generally makes no difference to whether they receive stock or cash.

The holiday season will be here soon and many generous Americans will open their checkbooks to those less fortunate. If you plan to make contributions, it's a great time to start doing some research. There are great Web sites like

charitynavigator.org or give.org where you can receive some independent information on charities.

The purpose of a charitable contribution is not simply for the tax deduction. The primary reason is you care about the goals of the organization.

Since there are so many charities with similar names, make sure you do your home-

work to make sure your hard earned money goes to work where you would like it to be.

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Grace, the author of a series of high-tech thrillers, will discuss his new book *The Secret Cardinal* and his writing process. Other Grace books include *Bird of Prey*, *Twisted Web* and *Quantum Web*. Copies of all books will be available for sale and signing by the author. The program is free and light refreshments will be served.

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O-line paves way to Canton triumph

Sidelines

Ignition schedule

The Detroit Ignition will kick off the 2008-09 season on Saturday, December 13 when they face Milwaukee Wave at U.S. Cellular Arena. The match-up, the first-ever in the Xtreme Soccer League, features two teams who ended their last seasons in the Major Indoor Soccer League with a 22-8 record — Detroit held the tie-breaker over Milwaukee and came away with the Regular Season Championship. The inaugural XSL weekend also includes the New Jersey Ironmen hosting the Chicago Storm on Sunday, Dec. 14.

XSL teams play a 20-game regular season from December through early April of 2009. Rules remain unchanged from previous seasons, including multiple-point scoring. Fans who cannot travel to the arena will have the games at their finger tips:

Hole-in-one

Plymouth resident Gail Elm, 48, registered a hole-in-one Sept. 4 on the 17th hole of the Fox Hills' Strategic Fox track. Elm aced the 120-yard hole with a seven wood.

Precision Baseball fund-raiser

The public is invited to attend a fund-raiser at Precision Baseball, an indoor training facility located in Canton, that will benefit Special Olympics.

The comedy night event will be held Saturday, Oct. 11, at the facility, which is located at 7835 Market St. in Canton.

Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. with the first comedian taking the stage at 8 p.m.

The cost is \$25 per person, which includes the show, food and drink.

For tickets, send an e-mail to info@precision-baseballone.com or call (248) 761-9694.

Doc's sports raffle

A reverse raffle to benefit Madonna University Athletics, the Livonia Stevenson High Boosters and the National Kidney Foundation will be from 4-9:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 6, Doc's Sports Retreat, located at 19265 Victor Parkway, Livonia.

The event, sponsored by the Foresters, is \$100 per couple (includes buffet dinner, drink tickets and a chance to win a first-place prize of \$2,000).

Only 200 tickets will be sold.

Other major prizes include \$1,000, \$300 and \$200 (two). More reverse raffle cash prizes are available, too.

To obtain tickets, call Gary Deschenes of the Foresters at (734) 542-7360 or Doc's Sports Retreat at (734) 542-8162.

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Sometimes the best remedy for a crushing defeat is a night filled with crushing blocks.

That was the case Friday night for Canton's football team, which rebounded from last week's stinging overtime loss to Westland John Glenn with a resounding 49-21 rout of Wayne Memorial.

Canton, which led 42-0 late in the third quarter, improved to 4-1 overall and 2-1 in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association's South Division. The Zebras

slipped to 0-5 and 0-3, respectively.

The Chiefs travel to Livonia Franklin next Friday for a pivotal showdown with the Patriots, who are 3-0 in the division.

Canton junior running back Adam Payter sprinted to 213 yards against Wayne — his second 200-yard-plus performance in the past three games — but it was the guys wearing the numbers between 50 and 80 who shone the brightest for the winners, in the estimation of Canton coach Tim Baechler.

"Adam is quick, he can break tackles; he disappears in there a little bit sometimes, but our offensive line did a great job of

executing for him tonight," said Baechler. "Our offensive line is really starting to come of age."

A pair of bruising seniors — Justin Sneddon and Kyle Dunleavy — anchor the Chiefs' two-tight-end O-line.

Under the direction of junior quarterback Kevin Delapaz, the Chiefs' offense churned out 437 total yards — 319 in the first half.

Senior running back Kiere Daniels made the most of his four carries, picking up 79 yards and a pair of scores. Delapaz completed 3-of-6 passes for 64 yards and a TD, and he rushed for 28 yards on four carries.

The Zebras showed some spunk late

against Canton's reserves, scoring 21 points in the final 8:16.

"I'm always pleased we didn't quit, but unfortunately that's becoming our M.O. — that we don't quit," said first-year Wayne coach Kevin Weber. "We have to start coming out in the first quarter with the same mentality we've been showing in the fourth."

The Chiefs led 14-0 5:16 into the game thanks to two Daniels scoring runs — one from four yards out; the other from 20. The second TD was set up by Pat Madish's jar-

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STRIKING HONOR

Founder of area's first travel bowling program lauded for 25 years of service

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Harold Winters accomplished something 25 years ago that makes picking up a 7-10 split seem like child's play.

The longtime Canton resident founded the Western Wayne Youth Travel Classic league — a unique bowling program that gives highly skilled youngsters a chance to compete against their high-scoring peers.

Winters' initial efforts and the countless hours he's put into the league since the first ball was rolled in 1983 were honored earlier this week when several public servants — from U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter to State Sen. Bruce Patterson — presented him with framed proclamations in recognition of the program's silver anniversary.

"Trust me, I couldn't have done this by myself," Winters said, deflecting a lot of the credit for the WWYTC's overwhelming success. "Go to our Web site and look at the list of current and former directors, and you'll get an idea of all the help I've had."

"The thing I'm most proud of is how so many of the bowlers who have gone through our system are outstanding citizens today. We have one young lady — Lisa Bishop — who is a pro bowler."

The initial seed for Winters'

labor of love were planted in the late-1970s when his teen-aged daughter, Chris, was finding the pocket much more frequently than many kids her age.

"I bowled four nights a week back then," remembered Winters, "and wherever dad went, daughter went. When I was bowling in a league, she'd be down on lane 60 practicing."

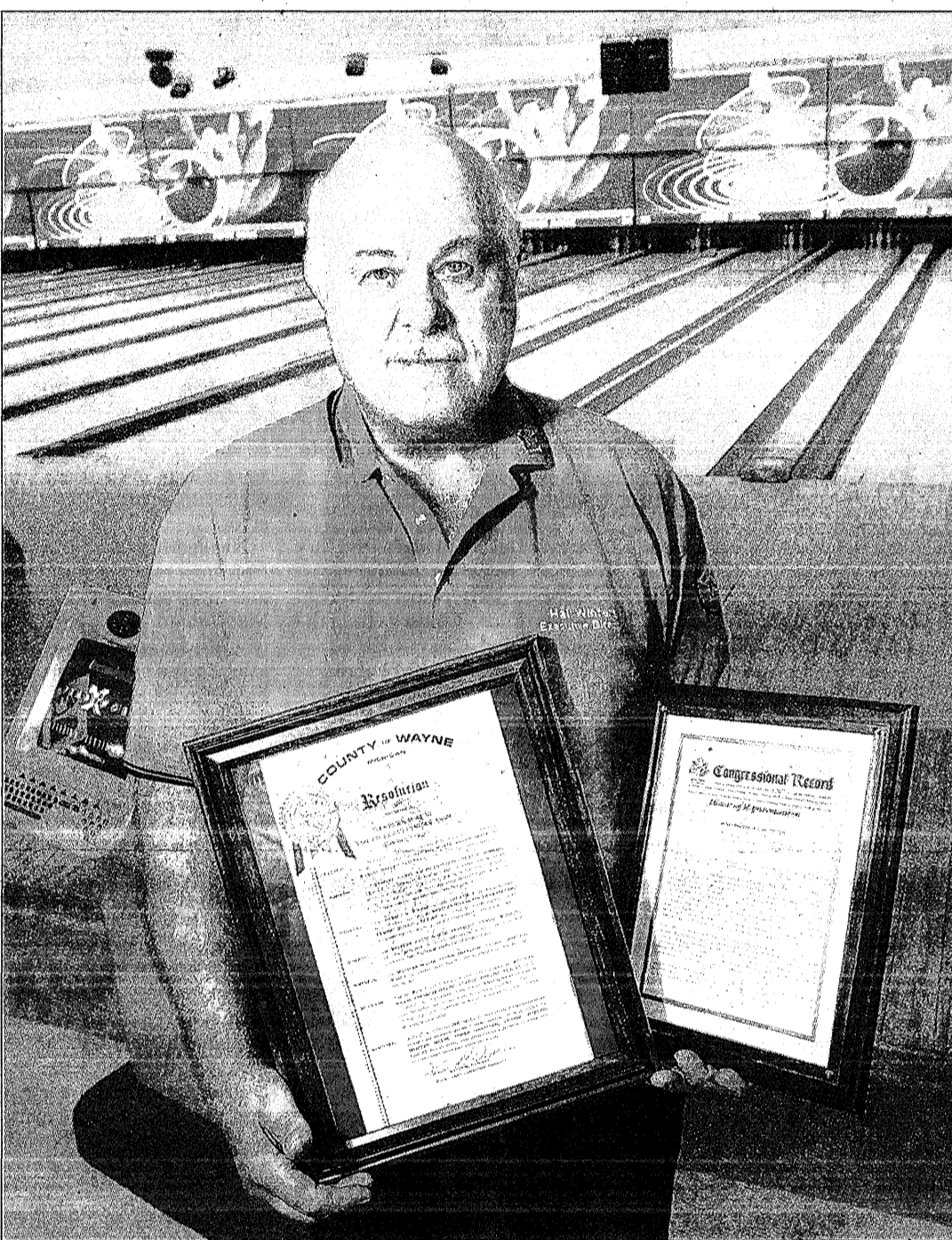
"By the late-70s and early-80s, she was beating everybody her age. It got to the point where I wanted her to get a little more competition than she was getting around here."

With the closest existing travel league for youngsters based Downriver, Winters devised a plan to start a new one for bowlers in western Wayne County.

"I started by going to the Wayne-Westland Men's Bowling Association meeting," the Ford Motor Co. retiree recalled. "When new business came up, I stood up and said, 'You have some really good young bowlers out here and they don't have anywhere to go except Downriver.' I told them if they didn't help these kids out, they were going to lose them as bowlers until they were 27 or 28 years old."

"Before I knew it, the WWYTC was formed and we were bowling at five houses — Super Bowl, Fiesta — which

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Canton resident Harold Winters was honored recently for the role he's played in the success of the Western Wayne Youth Traveling Classic, a program for advanced youth bowlers that recently celebrated its 25th anniversary.

Churchill spikers upend Chiefs in early KLAA test

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Host Canton learned Thursday night that Livonia Churchill's volleyball team comes at you from all angles.

Before a loud and boisterous crowd, the Chargers used a balanced offensive attack and had a wide advantage in blocks to post a 26-24, 25-17, 23-25, and 25-22 victory in an early season showdown between South Division teams in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association.

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Churchill, ranked ninth in Division 1, improved to 14-2 overall and 2-0 in the KLAA-South, while Canton falls to 15-4 and 1-1.

"I haven't seen a crowd like this in awhile," Churchill coach Mark Grenier said. "With the change in the new divisional alignments, it looks like a healthy rivalry, very competitive with respect for each other."

Churchill recorded a total of 19 blocks

to Canton's five and had four players with seven kills or more led by senior outside hitter Kristen Nalecz, who finished with a team-high 19.

Junior Cierra Yetts, who had the match-winning kill, added 11 kills and two blocks.

Senior Katie Matz chipped in with eight kills, while junior Sarah Suppelsa contributed seven kills and two blocks.

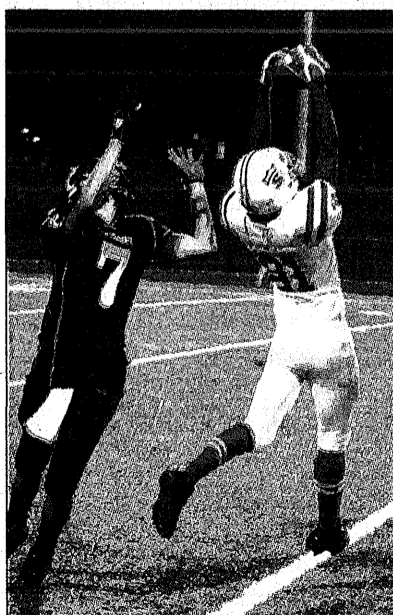
Another standout for the Chargers was Jessica Stroud, who had a game-high seven blocks to go along with three kills. Senior Kat Krupsky also added four kills

and three blocks.

That offset the strong performance of Canton's outstanding 5-10 junior outside hitter Jordan Kielty, who recorded a game-high 23 kills to go along with 15 digs and two blocks.

"We talked a lot about Jordan (Kielty), and I thought Stroud, Krupsky — the whole slew of them — had opportunities to earn points with the block," Churchill coach Mark Grenier said. "We worked on it in practice during the week and I

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ANDY RUBENSTEIN

Salem's Davon Mullins leaps high to grab one of his two interceptions Friday night against South Lyon East.

Rocks pile it on Cougars, 63-14

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Salem's football team blew up its winless record Friday night with an offensive explosion.

The Rocks buried South Lyon East, 63-14, on the Cougars' home turf to improve to 1-4 overall and 1-2 in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association's Central Division. SLE dropped to 0-5 and 0-3, respectively.

Salem senior running back Anthony Mullins followed up last week's 140-yard performance by compiling 324 yards and six TD's on just 13 carries. His younger brother, Davon, also excelled, picking off a pair of Cougar passes.

"Our No. 1 goal this week was to play the perfect game," said Salem coach Parker Salowich. "Although I know that may not be attainable, that was our focus

this week. We may not have been perfect tonight, but the kids played very well.

"We also wanted to get as many kids in as possible and to get through the game without any injuries, and we did both of those things. It was great to see the support the starters gave the second- and third-string guys. This was very much a team effort."

Salowich couldn't say enough good things about Mullins, who ran through the Cougars' defense like a knife through warm butter.

"Anthony had a breakout game last week and he played just as well this week," said Salowich. "Our offensive line dominated again for the second straight week, which was a good thing to see."

"I was happy with our defensive effort, too. South Lyon East runs a no-huddle, spread offense and they ran 60 plays, so they didn't make it easy on us. They're very

well coached and very well conditioned."

Salem led 42-7 at the half thanks to five end zone visits by Mullins — the second on a 54-yard screen pass from quarterback Heath Parling — and an 11-yard scoring dash by Enrique Pardo.

Mullins added a 65-yard TD run in the third quarter. Salem's final two scores came on a 55-yard interception return by senior linebacker Justin Bashi and a 5-yard run by junior Kyle Middleditch.

The Rocks' defense picked off four passes — two by Davon Mullins and one each by Parling and Alex King.

The Rocks chalked up 461 yards in total offense compared to the Cougars' 295.

Pardo ran seven times for 57 yards for Salem.

Ethan Walsh converted all nine of his extra-point attempts.

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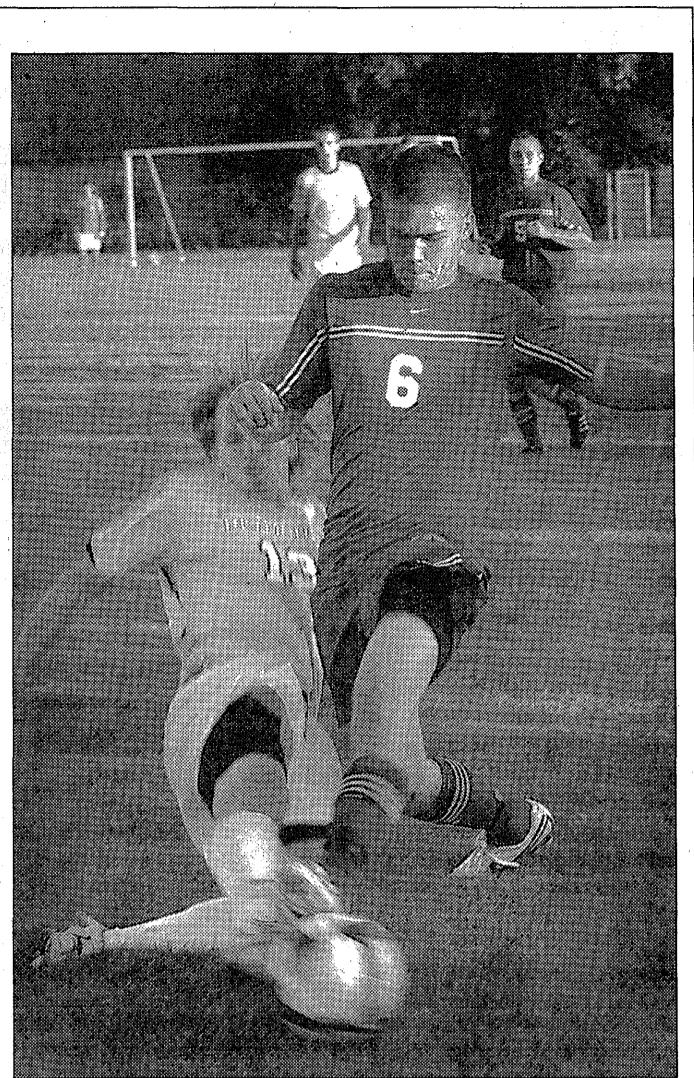
Skubik-led Plymouth unplugs Chargers

Plymouth's football team rode the strong arm of senior quarterback Matt Skubik to a 31-12 victory at Livonia Churchill Friday night. The win improved the Wildcats' record to 4-1 overall and 2-1 in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association's South Division. The Chargers dropped to 1-4 and 0-3, respectively. Skubik completed 17-of-24 throws for 228 yards. Plymouth senior running back Terrance Guthridge also had a produc-

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points and a field goal — to make it 7-0. Plymouth doubled its advantage to 14-0 with 5:58 left in the first half on a 20-yard scoring run from Guthridge. Brindza closed the first-half scoring with a 21-yard field goal. The Wildcats extended their lead to 31-0 with a pair of third-quarter scores: Skubik's 36-yard strike to Zach Hamed at the 7:20 mark; and a 29-yard Skubik-to-Hamed aerial with 39 seconds to play in the stanza.

Churchill's two fourth-quarter touchdowns came on Jordan Grohoski-to-Jeff Ricketts passes — the first came from 36 yards out with 11:56 to play and the latter a 70-yard TD hook-up. Grohoski finished 8-of-22 for 196 yards. Ricketts hauled in four passes for 161 yards. Devin Moynihan led the Chargers' defense with 24 tackles, including a sack and forced fumble. Curtis Castleberry recovered a fumble for the Chargers.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Scoring time

Canton's Josh Hurst (6), pictured above in a game earlier this year against Plymouth, scored the lone goal in the Chiefs' 1-0 victory over the Wildcats Thursday night on the PCEP soccer pitch. Hurst's goal, which came with 36:35 left in the contest, was assisted by Kyle Breitmeyer. Canton improved to 8-4-3 overall and 6-2 in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association's South Division.

SWIM RESULTS

CANTON 113 LIVONIA CHURCHILL 73 Sept. 25 at Canton
200-yard medley relay: 1. Canton (Laura Kushner, Maggie Carlson, Kayla Eyster, Kari Schmitt), 2:04.87; 2. Canton, 2:13.18; 3. Churchill, 2:20.72.
200 freestyle: 1. Catherine Irwin (C), 2:08.61; 2. Sara Krebs (C), 2:09.06; 3. Britney Sheeler (C), 2:17.62.
200 IM: 1. Kayla Eyster (C), 2:29.38; 2. Christine O'Keefe (C), 2:33.61; 3. Maddy McLean (C), 2:41.78.
50 freestyle: 1. Kari Schmitt (C), 26.58; 2. Allison Mayer (LC), 29.73; 3. Hannah Maxam (C), 29.76.
1-meter diving: 1. Katina St. Pierre (LC), 184.30 points; 2. Robyn Piwowar (C), 165.40; 3. Catherine Huang (C), 149.50.
100 butterfly: 1. Maggie Carlson (C), 1:04.71; 2. Samantha Reid (LC), 1:06.37; 3. Kari Schmitt (C), 1:16.23.
100 freestyle: 1. Kayla Eyster (C), 57.94; 2. Christine O'Keefe (C), 1:00.30; 3. Sara Schmitt (C), 1:00.43.
500 freestyle: 1. Catherine Irwin (C), 5:37.46; 2. Sara Krebs (C), 5:45.67; 3. Samantha Reid (LC), 5:54.10.
200 freestyle relay: 1. Churchill (Haley Fox, Allison Mayer, Olivia O'Neil, Samantha Reid), 1:56.56; 2. Churchill, 2:13.00; 3. Churchill, 2:38.59.

100 backstroke: 1. Maggie Carlson (C), 1:08.21; 2. Stephanie D'Annunzio (LC), 1:11.82; 3. Laura Kushner (C), 1:13.65.
100 breaststroke: 1. Maddy McLean (C), 1:17.97; 2. Kristine Nguyen (C), 1:26.26; 3. Natalie Hiser (LC), 1:26.82.
400 freestyle relay: 1. Churchill (Stephanie D'Annunzio, Haley Fox, Katrina Nelson, Samantha Reid), 4:15.36; 2. Churchill, 4:48.83; 3. Churchill, 5:12.50.
DUAL-MEET RECORDS: Canton, 3-0 overall, 2-0 KLAASouth.

CANTON 118 LIVONIA FRANKLIN 67 Sept. 18 at Franklin
200-yard medley relay: 1. Canton (Kayla Eyster, Sara Krebs, Catherine Irwin, Christine O'Keefe), 2:06.20; 2. Canton, 2:10.97; 3. Franklin, 2:13.24.
200 freestyle: 1. Maggie Carlson (C), 2:02.23; 2. Kaitlyn Kozyn (LF), 2:05.09; 3. Kari Schmitt (C), 2:11.48.
50 freestyle: 1. Kayla Eyster (C), 27.50; 2. Christine O'Keefe (C), 27.90; 3. Colleen Anthony (LF), 27.32.
1-meter diving: 1. Mallory Hudak (C), 144.45 points; 2. Kaili Pierce (C), 144.10; 3. Allison Gilley (LF), 128.85.
100 butterfly: 1. Kayla Douglas (LF), 1:03.40; 2. Catherine Irwin (C), 1:07.34; 3. Kaitlyn Dugas (C), 1:17.43.
100 freestyle: 1. Kaitlyn Kozyn (LF), 57.54; 2. Kari Schmitt (C), 58.20; 3. Sara Krebs (C), 1:00.98.
500 freestyle: 1. Maggie Carlson (C), 5:31.27; 2. Natalie Cote (LF), 5:45.82; 3. Maddy McLean (C), 6:13.76.
200 freestyle relay: 1. Franklin (Jordan Haymour, Kayla Douglas, Kaitlyn Kozyn, Natalie Cote), 1:49.78; 2. Canton, 1:51.25; 3. Canton, 1:59.99.
100 backstroke: 1. Kayla Douglas (LF), 1:03.86; 2. Kayla Eyster (C), 1:11.12; 3. Jordan Haymour (LF), 1:11.70.
100 breaststroke: 1. Sara Krebs (C), 1:15.07; 2. Kelly Bedro (C), 1:19.02; 3. Kristine Nguyen (C), 1:26.01.
400 freestyle relay: 1. Canton (Kari Schmitt, Christine O'Keefe, Kayla Eyster, Maggie Carlson), 3:58.12; 2. Franklin, 3:58.42; 3. Canton, 4:11.88.

CANTON 103 LIVONIA LADYWOOD Sept. 16 at Canton
200-yard medley relay: 1. Canton (Laura Kushner, Maggie Carlson, Kayla Eyster, Sara Krebs), 2:05.19; 2. Ladywood, 2:06.54; 3. Canton, 2:08.61.
200 freestyle: 1. Christine O'Keefe (C), 2:09.70; 2. Heather Pijor (LL), 2:10.00; 3. Catherine Irwin (C), 2:11.11.
200 IM: 1. Maggie Carlson (C), 2:19.29; 2. Sara Krebs (C), 2:29.08; 3. Brianna Wilson (LL), 2:36.11.
50 freestyle: 1. Kari Schmitt (C), 26.53; 2. Shannon Kelly (LL), 26.62; 3. Sara Schmitt (C), 27.96.
1-meter diving: 1. Mallory Hudak (C), 173.00 points; 2. Allison Spitzley (LL), 172.95; 3. Robyn Piwowar (C), 139.50.
100 butterfly: 1. Maddy Pelon (LL), 1:08.34; 2. Annemarie Brinkman (LL), 1:11.27; 3. Britney Sheeler (C), 1:13.64.
100 freestyle: 1. Kayla Eyster (C), 57.44; 2. Shannon Kelly (LL), 59.04; 3. Christine O'Keefe (C), 1:01.03.
500 freestyle: 1. Heather Pijor (LL), 5:52.82; 2. Sara Schmitt (C), 6:08.32; 3. Mollie Pelon (LL), 6:13.47.
200 freestyle relay: 1. Canton (Christine O'Keefe, Catherine Irwin, Paige Goodwin, Kari Schmitt), 1:51.15; 2. Ladywood, 1:54.98; 3. Canton, 2:02.51.
100 backstroke: 1. Brianna Wilson (LL), 1:09.63; 2. Laura Kushner (C), 1:12.26; 3. Kaitlyn Dugas (C), 1:13.36.
100 breaststroke: 1. Sara Krebs (C), 1:14.42; 2. Maggie Carlson (C), 1:15.27; 3. Caleigh Griffin (LL), 1:20.25.
400 freestyle relay: 1. Ladywood (Maddy Pelon, Heather Pijor, Brianna Wilson, Shannon Kelly), 4:02.67; 2. Ladywood, 4:56.98.

VOLLEYBALL

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 was proud of them. We made an adjustment in Game 2. The kids were put in good position and we got some blocks on her." Churchill led most of the first game before Canton forged ahead, 23-22, only to give up four of the next five points after a critical service error. Churchill took control of Game 2 from the outset, but Canton battled back to win the third game after trailing 16-12 as senior setter Kacy Moran, who finished with 33 assist-to-kills, came up with the game-winning kill off a diving dig, one of her team-high 18 on the night. "We should have had that first game, that was rough," Canton coach Jen Barnes said. "We switched our hitters around the last two games. We had more touches on the

blocks with the changes we made. I put Torry (Riley) in the last couple of games and we put Kielty in the middle of their block. At 5-10 she's our biggest player." Stroud, 5-10 senior middle hitter, had four blocks in the fourth game, which featured six different Churchill players recording kills, led by Nalezcz's four. "It's nice that in all six rotations that our kids were able to get hits in different positions," Grenier said. "It was a team effort and a team win. They really should be proud of themselves." "And I thought she (Yetts) showed up. Tonight our kids in the four-five-six rotations put the ball on the floor, which is a bonus. They did a nice job." Canton's Kristen Muir, a 5-7 freshman, played a strong match with 12 kills, 14 digs and two blocks. "She (Kristen Muir) is a great freshman, one of the best," Barnes said. "She serve-

receives very well and she puts the ball down better on the right side." Churchill's two setters, Kristy DeClercq and Cory Urbats, recorded 20 and 17 assist-to-kills, respectively. Senior libero Lindsey Graciak contributed a team-high 30 digs, while Matz and Urbats added 13 and 11, respectively. Meanwhile, senior defensive specialist Shelby Anthony added 17 digs. "We're a smaller team," Barnes said. "Blocking and offense is something we're working on. It comes down to who blocks and who makes less errors." **Salem ousts Spartans**
 The Rocks prevailed in four games — 25-19, 25-17, 17-25 and 25-18 — over Livonia Stevenson Thursday night in a KLAAS Central Division clash played on the Spartans' home court. "It was an up-and-down night for us," admitted Salem

coach Amanda Suder. "We were able to overcome a lot of passing errors and serving errors." Nicole Merget led the Rocks' front-row attack with 13 kills and three service aces. Kelly MacDonald, playing exclusively in the front row, notched 11 kills while senior setter Jansan Falcusan registered 43 set assists, two kills, two assists and nine digs. Suder also praised the play of Lauren Dworzanian and Jillian Sommerville. Plymouth sweeps
 The Wildcats improved to 9-6-3 Thursday night with a 25-12, 25-20, 25-20 triumph over Livonia Franklin. Leading the impressive sweep for the winners were Briana Beyer (17 digs), Meg Quinlan (seven digs and 8-for-8 serving), Katie Salo (18 assists, perfect on 19 serves) and Katie Binger, who contributed eight kills and two blocks. bemons@oe.homecomm.net | (734) 953-2123

Where there's a Will...

Back-up goalie posts third shutout for No. 1 Salem

BY ED WRIGHT
 OBSERVER STAFF WRITER
PREP SOCCER
 What do you do when you're the No. 1 boys soccer team in the state and you temporarily lose your No. 1 goalkeeper to injury? If you're Salem, you turn to Will Allen. The senior goalie registered his third consecutive shutout Friday afternoon in the Rocks' scoreless draw with Livonia Churchill, which entered the contest with nine consecutive victories. Twenty-four hours earlier, Allen sparked in a 2-0 victory over Novi. "Will is really focused and he's doing everything perfectly," said Salem coach Ed McCarthy. "He's playing within himself and making all the right decisions." The Rocks will take a 14-0-4 record into next week's final week of the regular season. McCarthy said he expects No. 1 net-minder Sasa Miskovic back for the post-season. In the 2-0 white-washing of Novi, the Rocks were paced by goals from Josh Pascarella, who netted an unassisted net-finder, and Scott O'Connor, who scored off an assist from Lachlan Savage. "Our back-line was great," said McCarthy. "Jeremy Stoychoff did an outstanding job controlling the mid-field." Allen made seven saves against the Wildcats. ewright@hometownlife.com | (734) 953-2108

CANTON

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 ring tackle on a Zebras' unsuccessful fourth-and-1 play from the Wayne 40. The Zebras nearly dented their deficit late in the first quarter when they strung together an impressive nine-play drive that took them to the Chief 13. However, they came up empty when Jesse Dorow's 30-yard field goal attempt sailed wide right. Four plays later, Payter juked a pair of linebackers before racing 49 yards to paydirt to make it 21-0.

Canton closed the first-half scoring with a perfectly executed 48-yard TD pass from Delapaz to Davion Stackhouse. The most dazzling play of the night unfolded just seconds into the third quarter when Canton's Arron Boudreaux bolted 90 yards with the second-half kick-off. Delapaz hit Ron Gaudi with the ensuing two-point conversion pass to pad the Chiefs' lead to 35-0. "That run back was sweet," Baechler said. "We've been worried about guys who can catch the ball back there, but Boudreaux's shown he can do it. He's dangerous. I was surprised they kicked to him."

Payter upped the Chiefs' advantage to 42-0 with 3:02 left in the third with an electrifying 91-yard run through the heart of the Wayne defense. The Zebras recorded the game's next two touchdowns, the first coming on Richard Haley's 2-yard run. Junior running back Zach Guy extended Canton's lead to 49-15 with 1:42 left. Wayne back-up quarterback Nick Mills capped the scoring with a 9-yard keeper. Canton senior kicker Dan Stoney connected on 6-of-7 extra points and made a touchdown-saving tackle near mid-field against Haley, who returned the

kick 46 yards. Haley was the Zebras' star, rushing for 118 yards on 21 attempts. "Richard's one of our leaders, one of our captains," said Weber. "We told him this week that we were going to lean on him by giving him the football a lot. He stepped up and ran very hard." The Chiefs forced two turnovers: Nick Sweda picked off a fourth-down pass late in the third quarter and Jake Underwood recovered a fumbled punt with 2:29 left. Keith Agee recovered a fumble for the Zebras. ewright@hometownlife.com | (734) 953-2108

PREP GOLF

Canton's girls golf team continued its sizzling start to the 2008 season Wednesday when it defeated Livonia Franklin, 199-237. The Chiefs were led by medalist Kara Gregory, who fired a 43. Also scoring for the victors were Chelsea Osburn (48), Erin Lixie (51) and Mary Elizabeth Winther (57). Scoring for the Patriots were Sam Macatee (56), Natalie Paulson (54), Alex Smith (60) and Samantha Powers (57). The Chiefs will take on Plymouth Monday at 3 p.m. at Hickory Creek Golf Course.

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BOWLING

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BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

What does Canton's boys tennis team have in common with the 2007 New England Patriots?

Like last year's Super Bowl runners-up, the Chiefs are flirting with perfection.

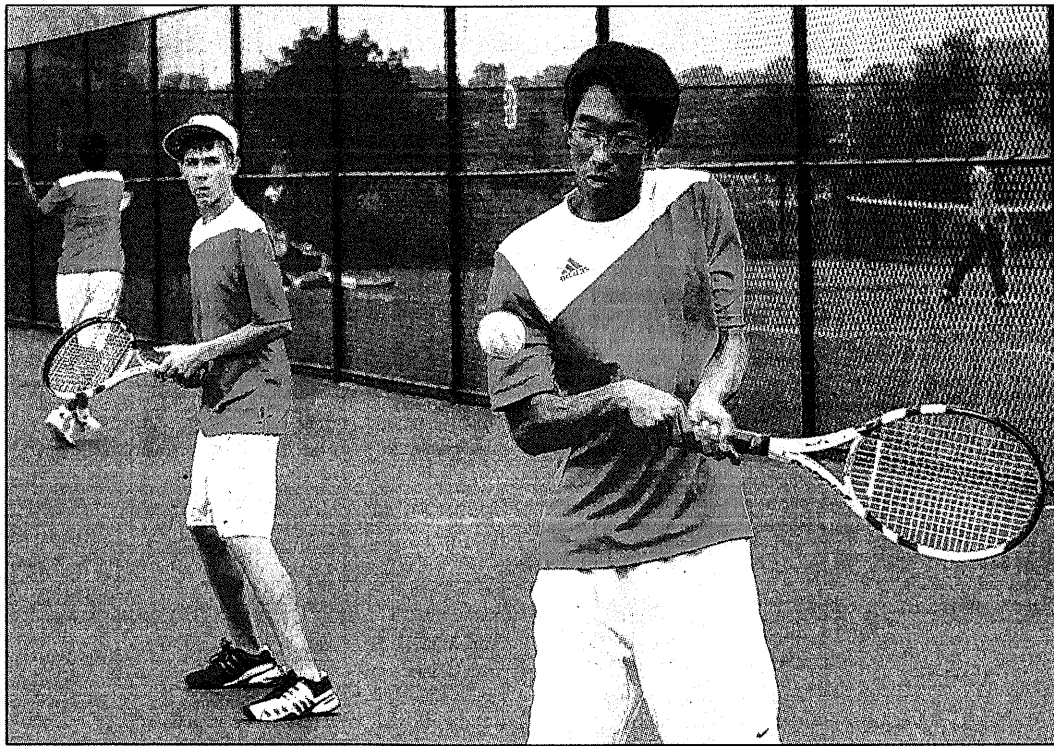
Coach Barb Lehman's squad improved its dual-meet record to 9-0 Friday afternoon with a 9-0 thrashing of Wayne Memorial. The victory came just 48 hours after a 6-3 triumph over cross-campus rival Plymouth.

"I used to say this team's strength was doubles, but now I'd have to say it's the entire team," said Lehman. "This is a very dedicated group of kids who have really come together as a team. They have fun, but they know when to do their job, too."

A victory over Westland John Glenn on Monday will give the Chiefs a title in the inaugural year of the Kensington Lakes Activities Association's South Division.

The league championship tournament is Saturday, Oct. 4, at the PCEP tennis courts.

CANTON 6
PLYMOUTH 3
Sept. 27 at Canton
No. 1 singles: Michael Darouie (C)



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Canton's doubles team of David Kang (right) and Jeremy Lindbauer has played a key role in the Chiefs' 9-0 start.

defeated Pat Onoro, 7-6, 6-1; **No. 2:** Aaron Zhang (P) def. Justin Leidel, 6-2, 6-4; **No. 3:** Matt Dwan (P) def. Ryan Hanz, 6-4, 7-5; **No. 4:** Riley Hoernschmeyer (C) def. Andy Mitchell, 7-5, 6-2.
No. 1 doubles: Max Korpalski-Pat Bailey def. Jeremy Lindbauer-David Kang, 6-3, 6-4; **No. 2:** David Ding-Adam Payne def. Wen Ning-Alex Berk, 6-2, 2-6, 7-6; **No. 3:** Santosh Shamuga-Abhi Katti (C) def. Tom Eggleston-John Lopus, 6-3, 2-6, 6-3; **No. 4:** Jimmy LaFontaine-John Mosley (C)

def. Drew Leist-hank Eckert, 2-6, 6-4, 6-3; **No. 5:** Steve Lee-Varun Bahandri (C) def. Grant Senkbiel-Don Henry, 6-1, 6-4.
CANTON'S DUAL-MEET RECORD:
9-0.

SALEM 5
SOUTH LYON 4
Friday at South Lyon
No. 1 singles: Brett Foster (S) defeated Kim Doohak, 6-0, 6-3; **No. 2:** Dave Benson (S) def. Willie Spears, 6-3, 7-5; **No. 3:** Kyle

Gordon (SL) def. Dion Walker, 6-3, 6-3; **No. 4:** K. Wilson (SL) def. Jose Peres, 6-4, 6-3; **No. 1 doubles:** Josh Perrin-John Kang (S) def. C. Johnson-A. Martella, 7-6, 2-6, 6-2; **No. 2:** Andy Steinman-Brock Foster (S) def. Kyle Sitar-Alex Whybra, 6-4, 6-3; **No. 3:** Michael Keum-Vishnu Rajendran (S) def. B. Morman-Jared, 2-6, 6-2, 6-3; **No. 4:** R. Blackledge-G. Wellmer (SL) def. Bohdan Pelekh-Zenik Pelekh; **No. 5:** T. Slankard-Eric Quang (SL) def. Tyler Foley-Greg Selewski, 7-5, 6-3.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL
Friday, Oct. 3
Northville at Salem at PCEP JV field, 7 p.m.
John Glenn at Plymouth, 7 p.m.
Canton at Livonia Franklin, 7 p.m.
PREP BOYS SOCCER
Monday, Sept. 29
Northville at Canton, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 30
South Lyon at Salem, 7 p.m.
Plymouth at Churchill, 7 p.m.
Inter-City Baptist at PCA, 4:30 p.m.
Wayne at Canton, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 2
South Lyon East at Salem, 7 p.m.
Plymouth at Wayne Memorial, 4 p.m.
Calvary Christian at PCA, 4:30 p.m.
Canton at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 3
Farmington at Plymouth, 3:30 p.m.
PCA at Rooper, 4:30 p.m.
PREP VOLLEYBALL
Tuesday, Sept. 30

Novi at Salem, 7 p.m.
Plymouth at Canton, 7 p.m.
Parkway at PCA, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 2
Salem at South Lyon, 7 p.m.
Livonia Churchill at Plymouth, 7 p.m.
Canton at Wayne, 7 p.m.
BOYS AND GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY
Tuesday, Sept. 30
Salem at South Lyon East at Island Lake Recreational Area, 4 p.m.
Churchill at Plymouth at Cass Benton, 4 p.m.
Canton at Wayne Memorial, 4 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 4
Plymouth, Canton and Salem at Wayne County Championships at Willow Metro Park, TBA
BOYS TENNIS
Monday, Sept. 29
Salem at South Lyon East, 4 p.m.
Plymouth at Wayne, 4 p.m.
John Glenn at Canton, 4 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 4
KLA Conference Meet at P-CEP Tennis Courts, 4 p.m.
GIRLS GOLF
Monday, Sept. 29
Salem at Novi at Walnut Creek, 3 p.m.
Canton at Plymouth at Hickory Creek, 3 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 1
South Lyon at Salem at Fellows Creek G.C., 3 p.m.
Churchill at Plymouth at Hickory Creek, 3 p.m.
Wayne at Canton at Hilltop G.C., 3 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 3
Salem at South Lyon East at Links of Novi, 3 p.m.
Plymouth at Wayne Memorial, 3 p.m.
Canton at John Glenn, 3 p.m.
GIRLS SWIMMING
Thursday, Oct. 2
Novi at Salem, 6:30 p.m.

Plymouth at Canton, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 4
Salem and Canton at Dexter 9/10 Relays, 9 a.m.
Plymouth at Tecumseh Kiwanis Invitational, 8 a.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
Tuesday, Sept. 30
Madonna at Siena Heights, 7 p.m.
Schoolcraft at Flint Mott, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 2
Cornerstone at Madonna, 7 p.m.
Oakland CC at Schoolcraft, 7 p.m.
MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Saturday, Oct. 4
Madonna at Cornerstone, 2:30 p.m.
Ancilla at Schoolcraft, 4 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Tuesday, Sept. 30
Madonna at Spring Arbor, 4 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 4
Madonna at Cornerstone, noon.

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MEDICAL DATEBOOK

OCTOBER

Physical performance classes

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Sign language workshops

In American Sign Language entitled, "If these hands could talk," Thursdays and Saturday beginning Oct. 2, thru Nov. 20, at Redford Community Center, 12121 Hemingway, Pre-registration Required. Call (313) 387-2650. Seating limited. Participants will learn finger spelling, expressions, and interactive skills. For more information, visit www.detroitrisingstars.org.

Holistic Moms Network

9:45-11:45 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 2, at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main St. Plymouth. Speaker: Angelle Batten of www.nourishyourkids.com on the topic Fake Food Ingredients: Healthy Snack Alternatives for your Family. For information, contact Andrea Stevens at amstevens14@juno.com, or (313) 220-4592, or visit www.holisticmoms.org.

ALS walk

Registration 9 a.m., walk starts at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, at Belle Isle Park Casino, Detroit. For more information call Erin Ehlers at (248) 680-6540 or send e-mail to eehlers@alsmichigan.org. Walk to Defeat ALSTM is the ALS Association's national signature event and raises funds to support patient service programs and cutting-edge research.

Diabetes review session

Whether you've been recently diagnosed with diabetes or have been living with diabetes for years, you can take steps to lead a healthier life at a free one-hour class that provides basic education about proper diabetes self-care 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, the Troy Community Center, 3179 Livernois, Troy. To enroll or for more information, call 1-888-DIABETES (342-2383) or visit www.diabetes.org/diabetesreview. The class is conducted by a certified diabetes educator and covers meal planning and portion size, exercise, medication updates, stress management, blood glucose testing and more.

Ladies night out

Reiki: the Gentle Healing Art Thursday, Oct. 7, in the St. Mary Mercy Hospital Auditorium, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. Blood pressure and bone density screenings, and massage will be offered 5:30-7 p.m., lecture from 7-8:30 p.m. Speaker is the hospital's Reiki Master Jane Kaleski, a Certified Massage Therapist, Medical Massage Therapist and Certified Infant Massage Instructor. Registration required. No charge, but a \$5 donation is requested to benefit Marian Women's Center programs. Call (734) 655-1182 to register or for information.

Grief seminar

Join national grief expert and author Dr. Alan Wolfelt as he presents The Wilderness of Grief: Finding Your Way 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7, at Michigan State University Management Education Center, 811 Square Lake Rd., Troy. No charge, but reservations recommended as seating is limited. To register, call (248) 362-2500. Visit www.desmondfuneralhome.com for details and directions.

Stop smoking program

7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 9, Sunday-Thursday, Oct. 12-16, and Monday, Oct. 20, at Metropolitan Adventist Church fellowship room, 15585 Haggerty, north of Five Mile. No need to register. For information, call (248) 349-5683.

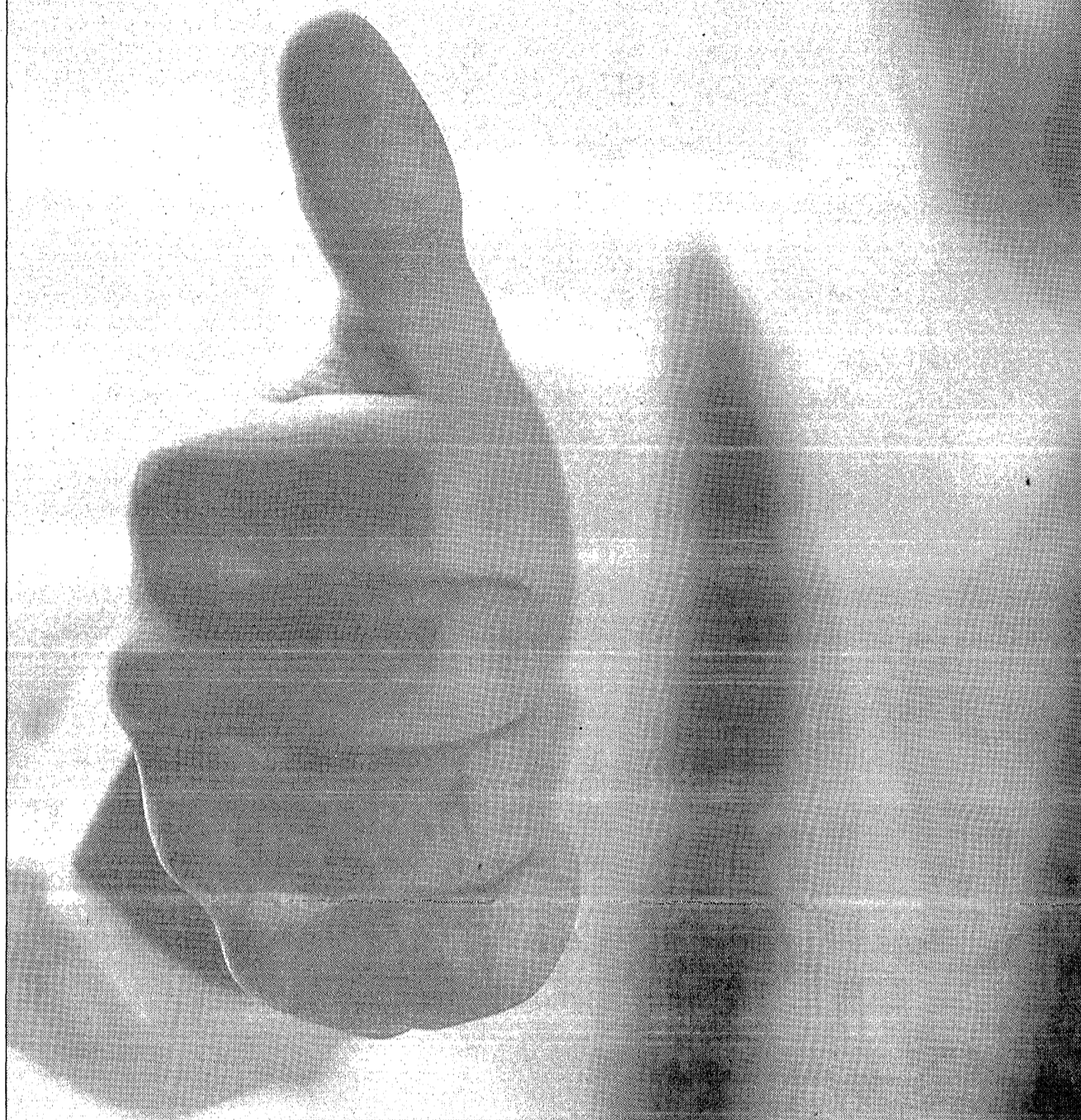
Walk to fight diabetes

Saturday, Oct. 11, at the Detroit Zoo, Royal Oak. Proceeds go to the American Diabetes Association to help prevent and cure diabetes through programs and services in Michigan. To register as an individual or lead a team, visit diabetes.org/stepout or contact Stephanie Camalo at 1-888-DIABETES, ext. 6692 or scamalo@diabetes.org.

Autism speaks walk

Autism Speaks, the nation's largest autism advocacy organization, holds its Walk Now For Autism Walk Sunday, Oct. 12, at the Palace of Auburn Hills. Registration starts at 10 a.m. with opening ceremonies and walk at noon. All proceeds benefit Autism Speaks. The day includes a 1 to 2 mile walk and Community Resource fair with educational sources, therapists, schools, recreational organizations, and creative child-friendly activities; a true one-stop-shop for families affected by autism. This year Toys "R" Us will have a tented space serving as home for Geoffrey the Giraffe. Attendees will also be able to sign their children up for Geoffrey's Birthday Club and pick up the "Ten Toys That Speak to Autism" handout, a list of toys that help build the skills of children with autism, created in collaboration with Autism Speaks. For information, visit www.walknowforautism.org.

Empowering the deaf



Fair offers equal access to health information

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
O & E STAFF WRITER

Imagine not being able to hear about the dramatic rise of diseases like diabetes. Fourteen percent of Michigan's population is unable to receive pertinent medical information due to deafness. E-mail, texting and technology have made access easier, but it's still not fair or equal, said Dave Coyne, Project Manager for the Michigan Association for Deaf and Hard of Hearing, a non-profit organization located in Lansing. That's why he and Christa Moran, an American Sign Language interpreter for the University of Michigan Health System, have teamed up to offer workshops at the first Michigan Deaf Health Fair at Madonna University on Saturday, Oct. 11. In addition to presentations by a family physician, psychologist, and nutritionist, participants can receive screenings for cholesterol, dental, glucose, and blood pressure as well attend a flu shot clinic.

Coyne chose the Livonia campus because of its 4-year ASL interpreter program.

"The deaf and hard of hearing communities miss out on so much information," said Coyne, a hearing ASL interpreter. "We get it from the radio, TV commercials which often aren't closed captioned. All of the workshops are presented in ASL and offer dialogue and discussions." Cristine Saunders isn't deaf but understands repetitive motion injury and how signing can impede recovery. Saunders is a nationally certified massage therapist and a certified ASL interpreter. She'll provide tips on stretching and body/posture awareness for prevention.

Dr. Michael McKee, a family physician in Rochester, New York, plans to talk about deaf health myths that impede progress in reducing health disparities among the deaf community. He is currently assisting the National Center for Deaf Health Research, one of the Preventive Research Centers funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, to track health trends and needs of individuals with hearing loss.

McKee, who is deaf, works at Folsom Family Medicine, a practice which sees 800 deaf patients and their families as well as hearing individuals. Folsom is the second largest deaf medical practice in

MICHIGAN DEAF HEALTH FAIR



McKee



Coyne



Graham

What: Health education workshops for deaf and hard of hearing individuals presented in American Sign Language

When: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 11

Where: Madonna University, 36600 Schoolcraft at Levan, Livonia

Cost: No charge, but registration required. Visit <http://sites.google.com/site/michigandeafhealthfair/>, send e-mail to michigandeafhealthfair@gmail.com, for voice or TTY (telephone typewriter), call (517) 487-0022. For sign language users the video phone number is (517) 487-0202

the country.

"Many of the health problems in the deaf community are similar to other cultural groups," wrote McKee in an e-mail. "The deaf community does have unique barriers. A lot of health information is shared by auditory means which is missed mainly by this group. American Sign Language is known only by very few medical staff. To make matters worse, many health centers and medical providers do not provide for interpreters even though they are obligated to do so under the guidance of Americans with Disabilities Act. As a result, I find a lot of knowledge gaps in health topics among the deaf including sexual health, nutrition, diabetes and cardiovascular health. Obesity and diabetes seem to be rising quickly among the deaf at my clinic where I see patients. This alarms me since this will increase risk factors for heart disease and stroke. I continue to see higher rates of sexually transmitted diseases compared with the

hearing patient population."

Mel Whalen's concerned about the misconceptions the deaf, like the hearing, have about depression. A deaf clinical psychology doctoral fellow in her fourth year of training at Eastern Michigan University, Whalen is going to speak about regulating emotions and the effect of emotions on health. Although she's unaware of research showing a higher incidence of depression in deaf individuals, Whalen said studies tend to document higher rates of depression and health issues in any oppressed minority groups with limited access to appropriate health care.

Whalen seems to be as excited as Coyne about the deaf health fair because the deaf "so rarely have the opportunity to receive health related information in ASL directly from the deaf/hard of hearing health professionals."

"People often don't really understand the direct connections between depression or feeling sad and the physical consequences to your body like loss of appetite, lower immunity and insomnia and so on," said Whalen who sees both deaf and hearing clients. To her knowledge the Ann Arbor woman is the only deaf clinical psychologist in the state.

"My goal is to help make those connections more clear for workshop participants so that they understand more directly the usefulness of learning to regulate one's own emotions in order to maintain a healthy mind and body."

Like the hearing, deaf individuals seem to know little about nutrition, according to Sandra Graham, a deaf dietitian. She'll talk about food and how to read labels.

Graham was born deaf and admits she has been a health geek for many years. She believes she's the only deaf dietitian in the country. Her goal is to help prevent diseases by using a holistic approach to health by balancing mind, body and spirit.

"Some doctors do not refer patients to dietitians. Sometimes doctors give information but don't explain it to the patients. Patients look at it and don't understand what it says. Their health becomes worse and becomes a problem," said Graham who earned a bachelor of science degree in dietetics from Madonna University.

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Regulations grant benefits to veterans with Lou Gehrig's

The Department of Veterans Affairs published groundbreaking new regulations today that grant military veterans diagnosed with Lou Gehrig's Disease full access to health and disability benefits, regardless of where or when they served in the military. The new rules take effect immediately.

The decision to establish a presumption of service connection for ALS (amyotrophic lateral sclerosis) is a tremendous victory for veterans living with the disease and is the culmination of years of work by The ALS Association to expand benefits for those diagnosed with the fatal neurodegenerative disease named after baseball legend Lou Gehrig.

The Association has been the leading organization advocating for this policy change at the VA for many years. In 2001, the Association strongly supported the VA's decision to grant benefits to veterans of the 1991 Persian Gulf War and has championed legislative efforts to build on that policy so that it applies to all veterans with ALS.

According to studies, military veterans within the last century are nearly twice as likely to develop ALS as those with no history of military service, regardless of where or when they served in the military. Most recently, The Association advocated for legislation (H.R. 5454) introduced by Congressman Henry Brown (R-SC) that would have established ALS as a service connected disease. Thanks to the combined efforts of the VA Secretary James Peake, members of Congress, the Association, and veterans across the country this legislation no longer is needed.

"ALS is a disease that progresses rapidly, once it is diagnosed. There simply isn't time to develop the evidence needed to support compensation claims before many veterans become seriously ill," VA Secretary James Peake said. "My decision will make those claims much easier to process and for them and their families to receive the compensation they have earned through their service to our nation."

ALS, a fatal, progressive, neurodegenerative disease, is striking at this nation's heroes the hardest, however the reasons are not known at this time.

The ALS Association is leading the fight to cure and treat ALS.

Veterans living with ALS across the country played a vital role in advancing this critical policy change by testifying to Congress and helped lead the effort to improve benefits for all veterans with ALS.

Give vegetarianism a try in October

Wednesday, Oct. 1 is World Vegetarian Day and kicks off Vegetarian Awareness Month.

Adopting a vegetarian diet has many benefits including reducing the risk of heart disease, stroke and cancer while also conserving fresh water, fertile topsoil and other limited resources that go into creating a meat-based diet.

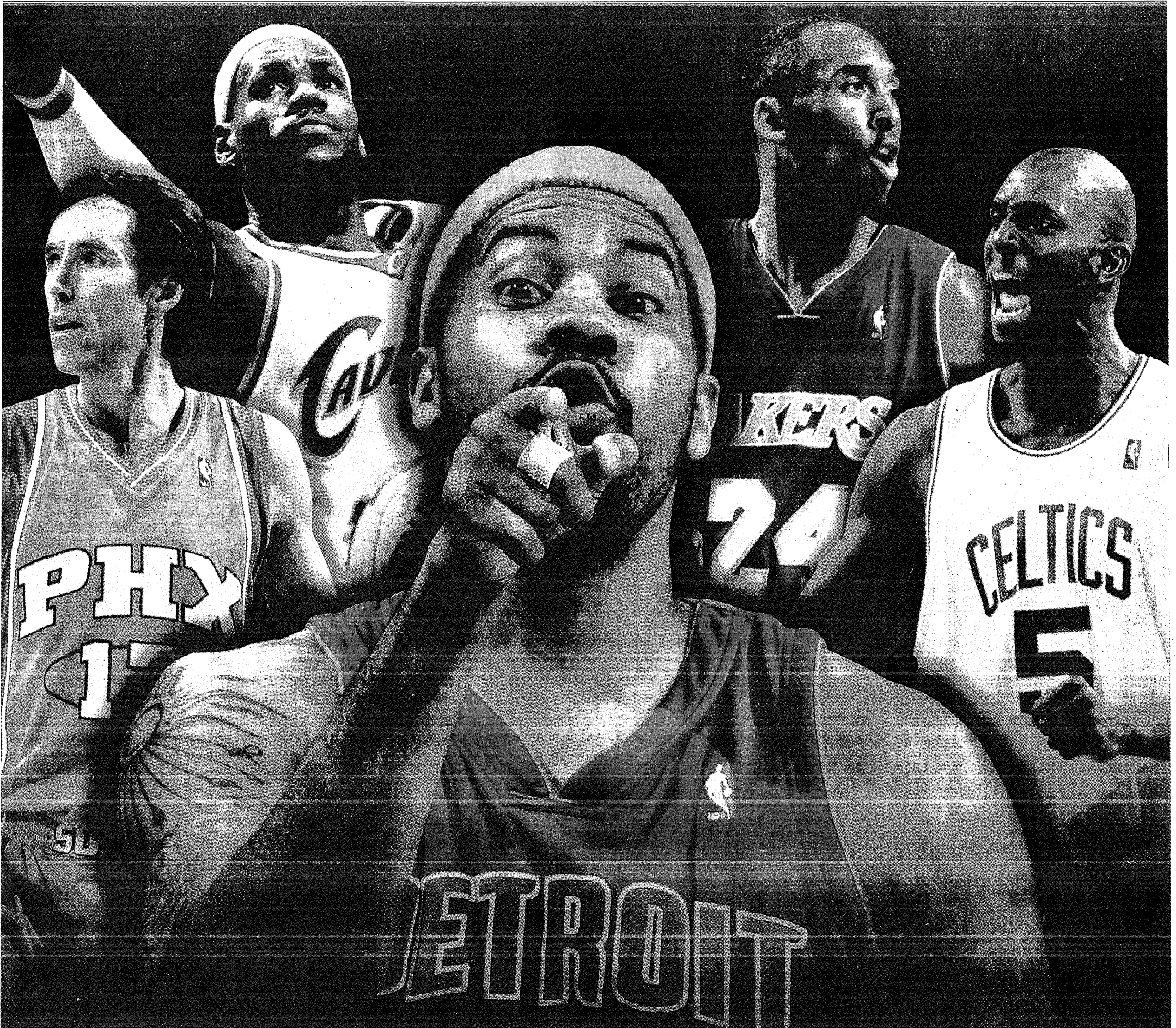
Here are five tips to help get you started from Beaumont Hospital dietitian and vegetarian Catherine Welemirov:

Look at Some of Your Favorite Meals. Most people have favorite dishes that are already vegetarian or can be made so easily. If you enjoy vegetable lasagna, stir-fried vegetables or pasta primavera you can begin to transition to a vegetarian diet by making these meals more often.

Try New Restaurants. Seek out Chinese, Indian, Middle Eastern and Thai restaurants to discover the many vegetarian food options they offer.

Explore Substitutes. There are many soy and vegetable-based meat substitutes that you can easily find in your grocery store. If you try one brand and don't care for it, keep trying. There is something out there for everyone.

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Birthday boy can do no wrong

I should have known it was our fault. Clancy, our Irish Wolfhound, can do no wrong, at least according to Bonny Wainz, our master dog trainer and behaviorist.

It's my sister Gwen and I who need to learn obedience techniques based on the theory that whoever is in charge is leader of the pack. We've let Clancy think he is, so that's probably why the three of us have been going to school for some time without much success.



Linda Chomin

Our first six-week class was spent with a trainer that used treats as rewards for executing commands. Treats were fine until you were empty handed. Our second trainer had Clancy sitting, staying and downing in the ring. He even earned his Canine Good Citizen Certificate, was able to greet strangers without jumping on them, and behaved courteously around wheelchairs and IV poles. We still want him to become a therapy dog so those are important skills.

The problem is when he's out in the real world, life is a game. Any time he sees a rabbit, squirrel or neighbor he's off and running to play.

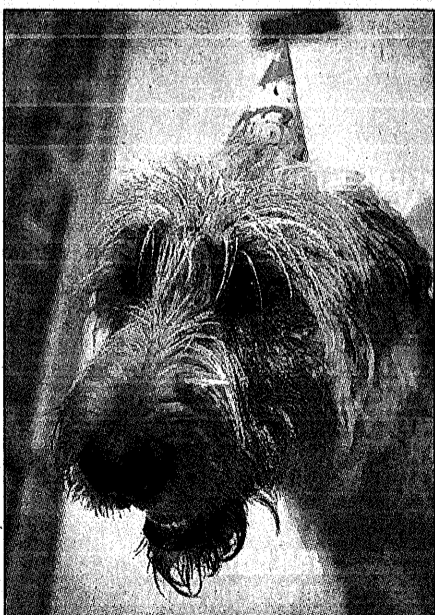
That brings us to our neighbors Rita and Chris. They've taken an interest in helping us train Clancy and regularly act as decoys. I don't know what we would do without this patient husband and wife duo. They've made it all bearable. There are days when Clancy's antics leave us frustrated and wanting to take him back to his mother. Instead Chris and Rita watch dog training videos with us and encourage our efforts by standing in their driveway while we try to walk on by without him tearing the leash out of our hands.

A week ago Friday they hosted Clancy's third birthday party, complete with cake, in their backyard. I can tell they really do like Clancy. They bought and wrapped an edible, flavored bone for him. When it came time for Gwen and I to blow out the candle I know they were wishing with us that 3 is the magic number.

Maturity seems to come late to big Irish Wolfhounds. Clancy is no exception, but regardless Gwen and I will continue to work with Bonny and her Alternative Canine Training methods (www.vladae.com). Every Saturday morning she arrives at our home ready to point out our mistakes.

Bonny is right about there being no bad dogs, only those which have never been trained. She, as I, believe that owners need to take time to work with their animal. And I do mean work. Clancy tests us by pretending he doesn't hear the command to sit. He does hear and it doesn't do any good for us to repeat it seven times. You have to learn to follow through by leaning over him and pushing down his back end. I knew it was our fault.

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Clancy Callahan Chomin celebrated his third birthday recently and his owners are hoping the year brings maturity.

Singing out

Committee puts out call for former choir members

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
O & E STAFF WRITER

The room was electric as former Bentley High School Concert Choir members talked about their 50th reunion in 2009. It was a life changing experience for many students from 1959 to 1985.

Camaraderie, then as now, is key between "the kids" still looking for 300 singers. On Nov. 28, 2009 the alumni will assemble one last time.

The private affair is scheduled to take place at Burton Manor in Livonia where they'll sing for their own enjoyment as well as honor founder Jerry Smith, director for all those years.

In their heyday, the choir put on major Christmas and spring productions that transformed the gym stage into gardens and churches with falling snow.

The events had people standing in line two to three hours before the concert.

The Bentley Concert Choir was the elite ensemble not only at the Livonia high school, but out on the road. The award-winning choral group was known nationally, having toured 23 states and Europe and sung for Congress on the steps of the United States Capitol in Washington D.C. Back home, WJR played their albums on the radio on Sunday mornings.

"My first memory was at 10 years old when I went to a spring concert and said 'I want to be here,'" said Tommy Mozier West, a member of the 1970 and 1971 choirs. The Livonia woman is co-chairing the event with Lawrence Zane of Plymouth. "I think it was my first goal. I think we all feel the same. It was the two years that changed and formed our lives. Excellence was expected in every choir."

"You carried those values out the

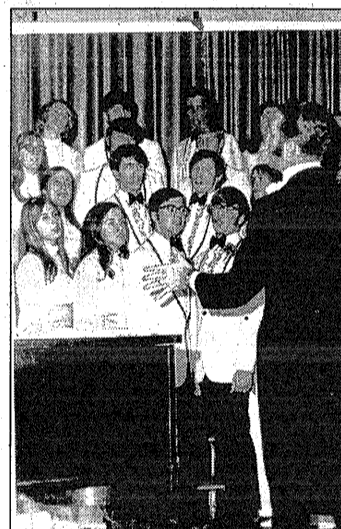
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Jerry Smith leads a rehearsal of the 1981-82 Bentley Concert Choir.



The Bentley Concert Choir rehearses with director Jerry Smith in August 1971.



This photo captures the intensity of the 1970-71 Bentley Concert Choir as they perform. Members say there was a moment when something clicked and all 100 voices came together as one.

Committee works hard for success of recital series

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
O & E STAFF WRITER

FRIDAY NIGHT RECITAL SERIES

What: Classical music performances by nationally recognized artists

When: 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14, pianist James Tocco; Feb. 13, pianist Anton Nel; March 20, Avalon String Quartet, and May 15, cellist Robert de Maine

Where: Presentation Room in the VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia

Tickets: \$20 adults, \$10 students, \$70 season ticket. For information, call (734) 462-4403, or send e-mail to Patricia Minnick at pminnick@schoolcraft.edu

Don Morelock and the Friday Night Recital Series Committee are doing everything possible to make sure every one of the 275 seats in the Presentation Room at Schoolcraft College are filled for the 2008-09 season. One idea after another flowed through the room last Monday as staff, students and community members planned for the series.

Wayne Glass, the college's director of grants, is making sure the recitals are advertised at events like the arts and crafts show in November.

Elida Giles, an art history instructor, suggested blasting e-mails to announce the series.

Committee co-chairs Jean Long and Carol Bonamici are working on a letter to invite the Board of Trustees to a concert.

Barbara Marek and Ellen Nixon have spoken to fellow students about putting a story in the school newspaper. They've also looked into selling tote bags advertising the series. Student Lou Kovach volunteered to sponsor tickets for 10 students.



The Avalon String Quartet return to the Friday Evening Recital Series on March 20.

Morelock, who's chairman of the music department, has lined up a stellar array of nationally recognized musicians including pianist Anton Nel and Robert de Maine, principal cellist for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. Returning for a second year are the Avalon String Quartet and pianist James Tocco who kicks

off the series on Nov. 14.

This is the second year for the series that Morelock and the committee consider a fledgling effort. Members first met in April 2007 to discuss the feasibility of presenting a series in the recital hall. The Friday night performances complement the long-running noon concerts on



Robert de Maine, principal cellist of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, closes the season on May 15.

campus.

The recital series allows classical music lovers to make an evening of it by dining at any of the many restaurants in the area or American Harvest inside the VisTaTech Center where reservations are recommended.

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The 1982-83 Bentley Concert Choir poses on stage for a photograph.

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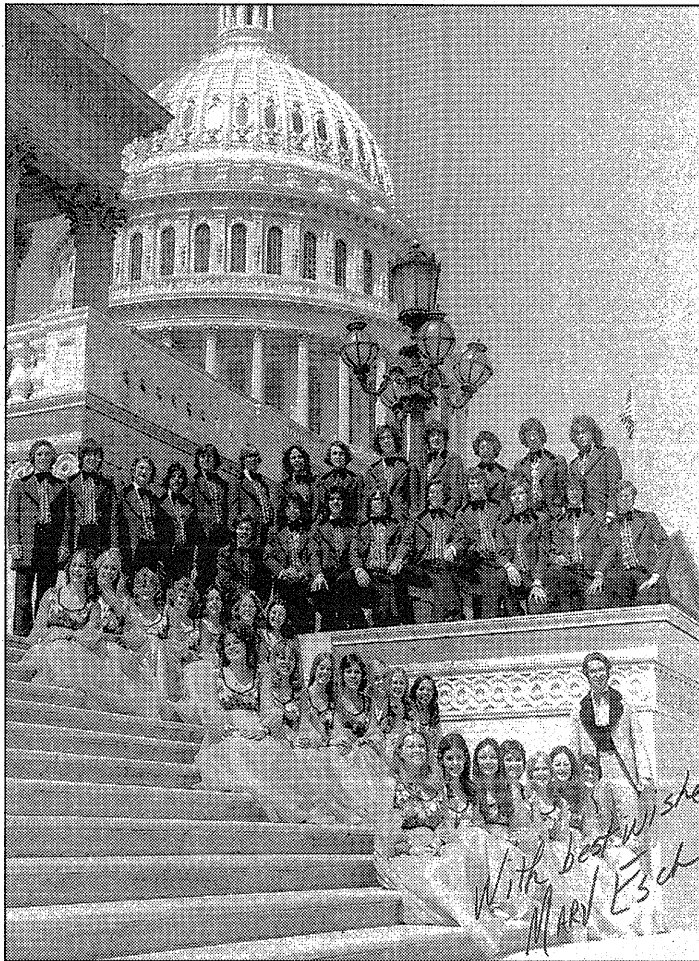
door with you," added Dian Copado-Segal of Livonia, choirs 1974-75. "It was a good foundation for me as a human resources director, being organized and structured."

Pat Koontz admits he was an outcast in high school until joining the choir in 1979. Smith instilled discipline in the students right down to the position in which they sat on chairs. Koontz continues to make singing a part of his life. He built a sound recording system in his home and hopes someday to put out a CD of the music he writes.

"I probably would have never even tried to finish school if not for Doc (Smith) and the concert choir," said Koontz of Superior Township. "Doc asked me to try out for concert choir and changed my life. I had hair halfway down my back, excelled in Parking Lot 101, dressed in a leather coat and smoked cigarettes. I didn't fit in. An hour before the first show I cut my hair. I gained self respect."

Choir made a difference in Lawrence Zane's life as well from 1981 to 1983. Today he works in the banking industry.

"We were just filling time and space wanting to leave the building," said Zane, who sings with Tyndale Artists Ensemble in summer and under the direction of Smith at First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth year round. "Doc Smith trained us how to sing as adults not children or teens.



The 1975 Bentley Concert Choir sang for Congress on the steps of the United States Capitol in Washington D.C.

We could progress from Male or Female Select or the boys or girls choir to Concert Choir of the 100 best singers in the school. It gave me a whole new meaning for school. There was a government body inside the choir that ran it, planned the tours, all done by students."

John King's heard similar stories from former choir members. The Livonia man sang with the group in 1979.

"It was a team concept," said

50th was the idea of son-in-law Ron Moon who put the reunion on classmates.com.

The response was overwhelming from "the kids." Smith and the committee have been working on the reunion since January and already selected the program of Christmas music and carols.

Music is Smith's life. He has been in music ministry for 37 years, 30 at Ward Presbyterian, seven at First Presbyterian of Plymouth, and annually directs the music for the Livonia Prayer Breakfast. He founded the Creative and Performing Arts Program (CAPA) at Churchill High School in Livonia as well.

"At our peak we had about 600 singers (every semester) by the mid 1960s to mid 1980s in the vocal music department," said Smith. "In '77 we went from college to college on tour. There were only 44 slots for 100 kids (in the concert choir). They earned their grades and the opportunity to tour, which was paid for by concert receipts."

Sharon Smith admires the relationships Jerry, her husband of 44 years, built with students over the years. Sharon accompanied the choirs starting in 1960 while attending Bentley High School in Livonia. Later she brought their three children with crayons and coloring books to rehearsal. Today she continues to work with Jerry as assistant organist at First Presbyterian of Plymouth. She'll accompany the choir at the 50th reunion concert.

"He wasn't just a task master, but a mentor and friend," Smith said.

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Google's Web browser enters; columnist exits

Google's quest to dominate the online world continued unabated last week with the introduction of Chrome (google.com/chrome), a new Web browser poised to challenge both Internet Explorer and Firefox.



Tech Savvy
Rick Broida

Does the world really need another Web browser? I didn't think so, but Chrome has a lot going for it — and the weight of Google behind it.

For example, Chrome's address bar — the place where you type in Web addresses — remembers your browsing history and pops up a list of relevant sites as you type.

Firefox 3 offers the same convenience, but Chrome goes a step further by adding Google Search to the mix: Search results appear in that same pop-up list.

For example, suppose you want to look up *The Shawshank Redemption* on the movie site IMDb.com. Traditionally, you'd head to that site, then type the movie's title into its search box.

With Chrome, you just type "imdb shawshank" and presto: The corresponding page appears in the search list. Click it and you go directly there.

This may not sound like a big deal, but it's incredibly handy. I also like Chrome's new-page tab, which displays thumbnails of the sites you visit most (so you can quickly visit them again) and sites you've recently bookmarked.

Chrome doesn't yet support function-adding extensions the way Firefox does, which is why I'll be sticking with the latter for now. But Google has put together a pretty impressive browser, one that's sure

to shake things up in the Web world. Give it a try and see what you think.

END OF THE ROAD

The time has come for me to say goodbye. This column has been one of the true joys of my professional life, and I'm sad to leave it. But after five years and more than 200 entries, my tech savvy is a little tapped out.

My deep thanks to executive editor Sue Rosiek for giving me this opportunity, and to crackerjack editors Ken Abramczyk, the late Mary Klemic, and Wensdy Von Buskirk for never yelling at me when I missed a deadline. (Never said I was time-savvy.)

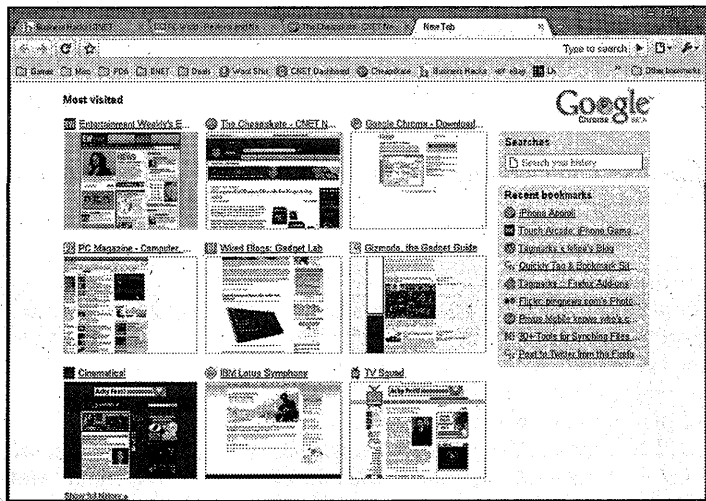
I'm also endlessly grateful to you, the readers, for all the questions and kind words you've sent me over the years. It's truly gratifying to know I've been able to help you make better buying decisions and solve tricky tech problems.

So, where do I go from here? As of next week, I'll be at the helm of PC World's new Hassle-Free PC blog (peworld.com), an abbreviated version of which will appear in the print magazine.

Meanwhile, fellow cheap-skates can check out my eponymous blog on CNET (news.com/cheapskate), while business users will find oodles of tips and tricks at Business Hacks (blogs.bnet.com/businesshacks). Hope you'll bookmark these sites and visit regularly!

Before I go, some final words of advice. Make regular backups. Don't pay for software when there's a perfectly good free alternative. Don't bother typing "www" at the beginning of Web addresses—your browser doesn't need it. And, finally, use Google to get answers to all life's questions.

There. Now you're tech-savvy too.



The new Google Chrome browser has some interesting features, including thumbnail views of favorite sites when you open a new tab. It's free, and you can use it alongside your existing browser(s).

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Common sense says that a person with arthritis would feel depressed, at least at times. Pain, inability to move at the pace of others, deformities of the hands that attract stares from strangers, feeling fatigued when people with you are eager to go places, causes, in the patient with arthritis, feelings of inferiority and isolation.

Arthritis also forces individuals to redesign their lives. The change not only affects the person with joint disease, but members of the family including a spouse and children. Asking so much from others, is bound to cause the arthritic patient moments of regret and emotional pain.

The medications used to treat arthritis may cause depression. Cortisone, a powerful anti-inflammatory medicine gives euphoria initially on beginning a high dose. But that feeling leaves, replaced by a sense of sadness as the doctor, by necessity, decreases the medication.

In fibromyalgia, the effect of therapy used to counter depression, may in some patients, actually make depression worse. The anti-depressant may make a person feel as if he or she is walking in a fog. The medicine may increase appetite, and bring weight gain to someone who does not want it. The excess weight alone can lead to depression.

The best treatment for depression associated with arthritis is to resolve the condition to the point that the individual is no longer hampered or crippled. Often medical care cannot achieve that end.

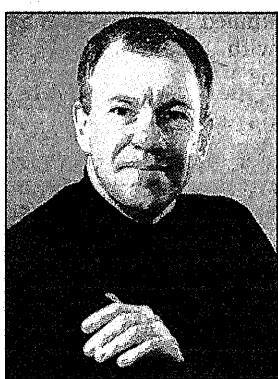
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Following the program in the Presentation Room the audience can mingle.

"They can meet the artist and other music lovers," said Morelock. "The recitals are an opportunity to have this kind of quality performance in the community. The venue is so nice. It's a good way to start a weekend."



Pianist Anton Nel performs Feb. 13, at Schoolcraft College.

Gail Mondry of Franklin is especially excited because her son Nathan, a piano student of Morelock's, performs a four-handed piece with Tocco on opening night. Mondry and her husband Ira serve on the board of the Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival and developed a relationship over the years with Tocco, the artistic director. In 2007, they bid on a festival auction item for a Tocco performance which they then donated to the Schoolcraft College recital series.

"It gives us a reason to invite a lot of our friends and fill the hall," said Mondry.



James Tocco opens the 2008-09 Friday Evening Recital Series at Schoolcraft College on Nov. 14.

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Valerie Moran will have an opportunity to explore showrooms, attend presentations on a variety of design-related topics and obtain complimentary design advice from professional interior designers.

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sultations will be offered during the morning session only, which will begin with breakfast from 9:30-10:15 a.m., followed by Moran's presentation. The showroom open house will run from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. and design consultations will be from noon-2 p.m. Participants are encouraged to bring floor plans, photos of rooms or just come prepared to discuss decorating dilemmas during a 20-minute consultation with some of the top leaders in the industry.

Guests will have a chance to meet with seven different designers from 6-7 p.m., during the night session. They'll review designer portfolios, compare design styles and more.

The evening session will begin with the showroom open house and strolling hors d'oeuvres from 5-7 p.m. and will end with Moran's presentation from 7-8 p.m.

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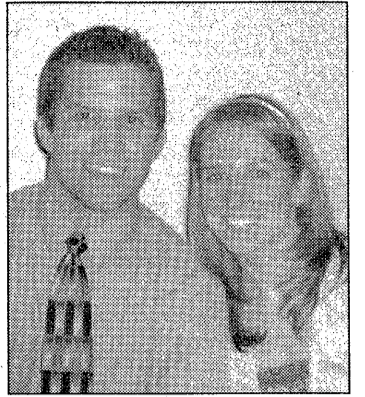
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Sund-Reschke

Doug and Peggy Sund of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Laura Marie Sund, to Steven Mark Reschke of Livonia. He is the son of Mark and Linda Reschke of Livonia. The bride-to-be is a 2002 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and a 2006 graduate of Central Michigan University. She works as a medical tech-

nologist at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. Her fiancé is a 2003 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and a 2006 graduate of the University of Michigan. He works as a Civil Engineer for Northwest Consultants, Inc.

The couple are planning an Oct. 17 wedding in 2009 at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church with a reception to follow at Burton Manor.



WEDDINGS

DiVito-Hoon

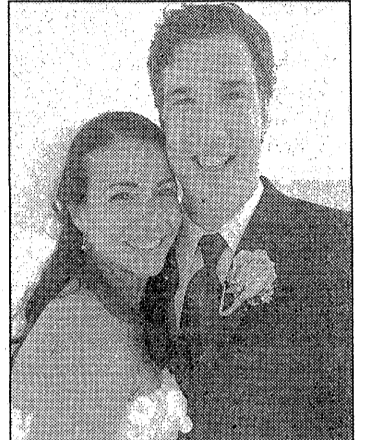
Kenneth and Beatrice DiVito of Troy announce the marriage of their daughter, Monica DeVito, to Greg Hoon of Santa Barbara, Calif. He is the son of Keith Hoon and Ginger McMahan of Seattle. Monica works as a full-time instructor at Santa Barbara City College.

She earned her doctorate from the University of California in Santa Barbara. Greg works for Brownstein,

Hyatt, Farber, Schreck in Santa Barbara.

The couple wed Aug. 16, during a ceremony at East Beach in Santa Barbara before the Rev. Jerry Bellamie. Annalisa DiVito was maid of honor and Bryan Hoon was the best man.

A reception followed at Cabrillo Arts Pavilion in Santa Barbara and the couple spent their honeymoon in Bora Bora, Tahiti in French Polynesia. They have made their home in California.



Dolan-Thompson

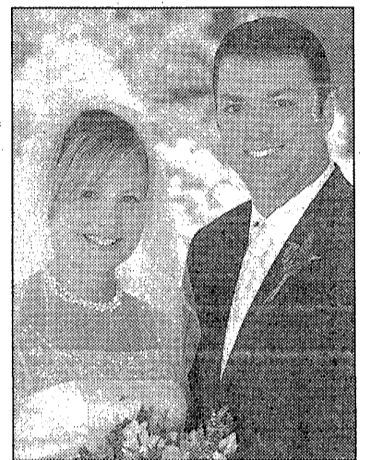
Mr. and Mrs. Mark A. Dolan of Marysville, Ohio announce the marriage of their daughter, Megan Dolan, to Chris Thompson of Westland.

He is the son of Larry Thompson of Farmington Hills and Nancy Thompson of Livonia.

The bride is pursuing her master's degree in education and works part-time for Wayne Westland Schools. The groom works as an electronics

technician for Yazaki, North America.

The couple wed Aug. 9, at Heavenly Scent Herb Farm in Fenton before the Rev. Greg Butzke. The bride was attended by matron of honor Kelly Dolan and the groom was attended by best man Ken Thompson. A reception followed at the farm and the couple spent their honeymoon at Keystone Resort in Colorado. They will make their home in Westland.



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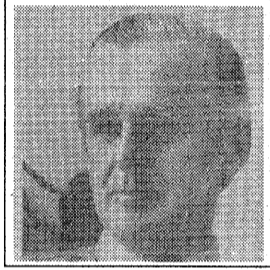
JEAN E. CORPE

Age 86, September 24, 2008. Beloved wife of the late Earl Edward. Dear mother of Carol (Kenneth) Durbin, Earl (Patricia) and June (Michael) Larsen. Grandmother of nine. Great-grandmother of 18. Visitation Sunday 2-9 pm with a 4 pm Scripture Service at the John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home, 1139 Inkster (between Ford and Cherry Hill). In state Monday 9:30 am until 10 am Mass St. Theodore Catholic Church, 8200 N. Wayne Road, (bet. Warren and Joy).



ALICE M. GUNDERSEN

1934-2008. Died peacefully on September 23, 2008 in her home at Westminster Shores in St. Petersburg, Florida. She was 73 years old. In 1964, the family moved to Livonia, Michigan to start a new church, St. Timothy's Presbyterian, where she served as organist and choir director for ten years. She attended the University of Michigan's School of Music and received a degree in Music History and Literature with a major instrument in organ. In the mid-1970s, Alice pursued business interests and worked at several firms in the Detroit area, rising to middle management positions with Alexander Hamilton Life Insurance Company and Delta Dental. She then formed her own systems software company, AMG Computer Systems in Southfield, Michigan. She campaigned for the Livonia City Council and in 1979 became the first woman ever elected and served six years. She also served on the Board of Family Services in Detroit, as a Director of Wayne County Task Force for Family Services, and on the Business Advisory Council for Madonna College. Her organizing skills and interests led to her appointment as Chair of the Michigan Women's Political Caucus and she became very active in the National Women's Political Caucus as well, serving on its Administrative Commission. Alice is survived by her husband, Carl A. Gundersen, Jr., sister Cora Jarvis of Ocala (FL), youngest son Scott Gundersen (FL), eldest son Daniel Carl Gundersen and daughter-in-law Tamera Stockton Gundersen (PA), and one granddaughter, Jenna Rebecca Gundersen. Donations may be made to the National Parkinson Foundation, Inc. (http://www.parkinson.org).



WILLIAM WELLES LYMAN

A retired Birmingham architect. Died at his home in York, Maine on September 14, 2008. He was 92. He was a graduate of Phillips Exeter Academy, U of M, and the Harvard Graduate School of Design. He served in the U.S. Coast Guard. A fellow of the American Institute of Architects, Mr. Lyman served as president of the Birmingham Historical Society, the MI Society of Architects and the firm of Jickling, Lyman and Powell that designed the Gerald Ford Presidential Library in Ann Arbor, MI along with many other libraries in the state. He leaves his wife, Joan (Dalrymple), six children, three stepchildren, numerous grand and great-grandchildren. Contributions may be made to Seacoast Hospice, 10 Hampton Rd., Exeter, NH 03833.



MYRON B. SCHILLER

Age 81, of Oak Harbor, died in Magruder Hospital, Port Clinton, Friday, September 26, 2008. Myron was born January 28, 1927, in Rocky Ridge, Ohio, to Beryl and Lillian (Deininger) Schiller. On June 9, 1951, in Toledo, Ohio, he married Dora M. Bylow and she survives. He graduated early from Oak Harbor High School, the class of 1945, and then joined the Navy and served as Electrician Mate in the Pacific Fleet in Tokyo Bay. He graduated from the University of Toledo in 1951, where he was a charter member of the Tower Club, dedicated to fund-raising for the university. Myron held a license as a professional electrical engineer. Many years ago he worked for Surface Combustion in Toledo, where he advanced to Chief Electrical Engineer by age 28. He then worked for Bussman Manufacturing before starting his own electrical and consulting firm, Nova Associates, Farmington Hills, MI. He retired in 1993 and returned to the family farm, which he lovingly restored, and it was recently recognized as an Ohio Century Farm. Myron was a founding member of United Methodist Church in Farmington Hills, MI, and served as Building Chairman and various leadership roles in finance, as trustee, and the Methodist Men. He was also a passionate advocate at the District and Conference levels in increasing ministerial compensation. Myron most recently was a member of Trinity United Church of Christ in Elliston. In line with his spirit of giving, Myron was actively involved with the National Society of Fund Raising Executives, Ohio Reads at Carroll Elementary School, and Boy Scouts of America Troop 263. He was involved with the VFW Post #8732, the John A. Fader American Legion Post #114 and the Ottawa County Farm Bureau. Myron is survived by his loving wife of 57 years, Dora, son Todd Schiller, daughter, Claire (Paul) Smith, sister, Opal Bristow, nephew, Norman (Sally) Bristow, great nephews, Kyle and Matthew, and niece, Sharon (Tom) Smith and great niece, Cassidy. His parents and aunt, Esther Myerholtz, preceded him in death. Visitation will be 2-8 p.m. Sunday, September 28, 2008, in the Robinson-Walker Funeral Home & Crematory, Oak Harbor. The funeral service will be conducted 11:00 a.m. Monday, September 29, 2008, in Trinity United Church of Christ, Elliston, with burial in Elliston cemetery, Graytown, to follow. The Oak Harbor American Legion and VFW will conduct military graveside services. The family has suggested memorials for Myron to the University of Toledo Tower Club or Trinity UCC in Elliston. Online condolences may be shared at www.walkerfuneralhomes.com

EVA M. PARKER

Age 84, of Livonia. September 25, 2008. Beloved wife of the late Mendal (2001); devoted mother of George (Maryann), Helen (Jerry) Riggs, John (Teresa), Mary (Mike) Smith, Joseph (Barbara) and Margaret (David) Alton; loving sister of Gerty Verdun and Mary DeStasio; cherished grandmother of 27, great-grandmother of 14, and great-great-grandmother of one. Mrs. Parker was a member of St. Genevieve Church in Livonia. Funeral Mass Monday, September 29th, 10:00 am (in state 9:30 am) Our Lady of Sorrows Church, 23615 Power Rd., Farmington. Visitation Sunday 12 Noon-8 pm with a 7 pm Rosary at the Heenev-Sundquist Funeral Home, 23720 Farmington Rd., (btw. 9-10 Mile Rds., just N of Grand River), downtown Farmington (248-474-5200). Interment St. Hedwig, Dearborn Hts. Memorial tributes suggested to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, stjude.org. heenev-sundquist.com

AVON F. ROOD

September 26, 2008. Age 82. Beloved husband of Ferris. Dear mother of Brenda (Joseph) Lezbinski and Dora (Thomas) Sep. Grandmother of Sara (Brian), Amy, Tara, and T.J. Service Fred Wood Funeral Home (Rice Chapel), 36100 Five Mile Rd. (one Mile W. of Farmington Rd.) Monday at 2:00 pm. Visitation Sunday 3-9 pm. Memorials to Seasons Hospice.



THOMAS J. TRYGIER 09-28-07

So hard to believe it's been exactly one year since you moved on to your eternal life. We miss you dearly but know you are happy in Heaven and no longer suffering. You remain forever in our hearts !!! We love you and miss you !!! Mom, John, Lisa, Vic, Tom, Chris and Kramer too!

Paying Tribute to the Life of Your Loved One

New date is scheduled for Canton Heart & Bark event

The First Annual Heart and Bark event, postponed from September due to inclement weather, has been rescheduled 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, at the Lower Rouge River Recreation Trail located at Morton Taylor Road and Michigan Ave.

This event, hosted by Canton Leisure Services and the Humane Society of Huron Valley, will feature health and wellness information for dogs and cats as well as their owners. Four-legged family pets large and small are encouraged to attend. Pets must be on a leash and in the owner's control at all times. No pre-registration required to attend.

The Humane Society of Huron Valley will be offering a low-cost micro chip clinic for animals for \$25 per pet. Cats are welcome to be chipped, but must be brought to the event in a carrier. One year rabies vaccinations will be administered from noon to 2 p.m. for a suggested dona-

tion of \$5 to benefit the Huron Valley Humane Society. Only 200 vaccinations are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Health and wellness experts will also be on site to address common health issues that effect pet owners.

Free blood pressure and glucose screenings will be offered by Oakwood Healthcare System. Individuals can also obtain the latest fitness information from local health care providers and other health and wellness-related businesses.

Activities include a Funniest Pet Trick and Look-A-Like Contest (\$5 entry fee/donation to benefit the Huron Valley Humane Society), Kids Crafts for \$1 to benefit the Humane Society, K-9 Demonstrations by Canton Public Safety, and Rally O demonstrations.

For more information, visit www.cantonmi.org or call (734) 394-5460.

Sign up for a bug hunt Oct. 18

BY SHARON DARGAY OGE STAFF WRITER

About 100 volunteers will spend Saturday, Oct. 18, picking "bugs" from trays loaded with mud from the Rouge River and its tributaries.

They'll look for anything that moves and will sort the live creatures — everything from dragonfly larvae to water beetles, crayfish to snails — into ice cube trays.

"We look for benthic macroinvertebrates. Benthic means 'lives in the stream bed.' Macro means you don't need a microscope to see it and invertebrate means they don't have a backbone," said Sally Petrella, Friends of the Rouge volunteer monitoring program manager.

"Even people who don't like bugs, once they start to look at them closely, become fascinated by them."

Petrella runs twice annual bug hunts, the winter stonefly search, and spring-summer frog and toad surveys for Friends of the Rouge, located in Dearborn.

The organization is registering families and individuals for its

Fall Bug Hunt through Oct. 10 at (313) 792-9621 and by e-mail at monitoring@therouge.org. Participants will meet at 9 a.m., Oct. 18 at Schoolcraft College in Livonia and work in pre-assigned teams through 4 p.m., along the river and its tributaries.

"Each team goes to two sites. There are sites all over the metropolitan area," Petrella said.

The kind and number of benthic macroinvertebrates they find helps assess water quality. The more sensitive bugs they find, such as mayflies, stoneflies and caddisflies, the better the health of the waterway, for example. Communities use the data to keep track of stream health and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality uses results to screen for problems in water quality.

Bug Hunt teams sampled at 28 sites last spring.

The Wayne County Department of the Environment checked 20 sites. Locations on the lower Rouge, which includes Fellows Creek in Canton, rated good or fair. Middle Rouge

sampling, which included such areas as Plymouth Township and Northville, ranged from excellent to fair, with a few poor scores. Three sites on the main Rouge turned up fair scores for Firefighters Park in Troy, Booth Park in Birmingham and Valley Woods Park in Southfield. The upper Rouge, with sampling sites in Livonia and the Farmington area, scored fair and poor. For complete results visit www.therouge.org.

Petrella said volunteers, which may include children, age 5 and up, accompanied by a parent, should "expect to get muddy" during the sampling. "Every team has a couple of trained team leaders. The team leaders put on waders and use a net to bring up samples. The volunteers pick through mud and dirt (from trays) for what's moving."

Petrella said volunteers enjoy being outdoors, seeing life in the water.

"They are always surprised by anything they see," she said. "It's a whole lot of fun and a nice opportunity to get to know other people."

Symposium offers info to students

The YES Foundation and Skillman Foundation are hosting a free High School Information Symposium for students and parents or guardians 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, at the University of Michigan-Dearborn Social Science Building off of Evergreen Road in Dearborn.

Learn about competitive, challenging, rigor-

ous high school college prep programs at boarding, independent, parochial and public testing schools. Meet with school representatives to discuss admissions, enrichment programs, tuition, and scholarships. To register for this free symposium or to receive additional information, call The YES Foundation at (248) 646-5696. Lunch provided.

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Autism concert proceeds go to Burger School

A benefit concert is being held noon to 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, in Garden City Park, Cherry Hill and Merriman. Wolfman Mac is going to host the show. All proceeds go to Burger School for Children with Autism in Garden City.

In addition to the show there will be food, raffles of guitars and gift certificates for guitar lessons and local restaurants. Seven of Detroit's top bands will also be playing. Vizzy's Pizza will be selling by the slice, all to benefit Burger School.

For more information, call Dave Goldsworthy at (734) 525-9101.

Purse, bag drive to assist domestic violence survivors

Livonia Allstate Agent Cheryl Bowker is partnering with The Allstate Foundation to kick off National Domestic Violence Awareness Month in October by encouraging area residents to donate a nearly new purse or professional bag to benefit domestic violence survivors.

Now through Friday, Oct. 3, nearly new purses, briefcases and other professional bags will be collected from the public at select Allstate agencies across the country including the Bowker Agency at 31221 Five Mile at Merriman. The agency can be reached at (734) 525-9610.

The purse donation drive is part of The Allstate Foundation's "Tell a Gal P.A.L." program to draw attention to the fact that economic empowerment can provide a path to a safe and sound future for victims of domestic violence. P.A.L. stands for Pass it

on, Act and Learn to get yourself, or someone you care about, out of a bad situation.

"By encouraging people to donate a purse or professional bag, we are providing them with a simple way to get the conversation going about domestic violence with family and friends," said Bowker. "Our office is pleased to have been selected to participate in this campaign and we hope that area residents will rise to the occasion by supporting this worthy cause."

For other purse donation locations and more information on "Tell a Gal P.A.L.," visit www.ClickToEmpower.org. In addition, the public can enter to win a purse from the personal collection of actress Ana Ortiz of ABC's "Ugly Betty," who is serving as "Tell a Gal P.A.L." spokesperson. Contest entry information can be found on www.ClickToEmpower.org.

Chocolate Affair to benefit First Step

The aroma of chocolate fills the air, the Livonia Symphony string and horn ensembles play sweet melodies and friends gather to enjoy each other's company for an afternoon.

The occasion is the fourth annual "A Chocolate Affair" to benefit First Step, the program for counseling and shelter for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

The event, which is hosted by the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians Irish charity group, takes place 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 5, at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Livonia.

Guests can celebrate the fourth annual event of women helping women by welcoming local res-

taurants, bakeries and caterers to serve tastes of their chocolate delights to guests. Businesses include Armitage Catering, Andiamo's of Livonia, Bennigan's, Carrabba's of Canton, Dearborn Inn, Embassy Suites, Jeff Zak Catering, Macaroni Grill, Maggie Moo's, Mary Denning's Cake Shop, Mrs. Field's, Plymouth Crossing, Ritz Carlton, Sanders, Quarter Bistro, TGI Friday's, and more.

Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door, and available by calling Karen Stuard at (734) 844-0166 or Kittie Higgins at (248) 449-6570 and at the First Step offices in Plymouth. For more information, call First Step at (734) 416-1111.

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Benedictine High School Class of 1973
35th anniversary class reunion, Oct. 4, Vladimir's, 28125 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. Social hour begins at 6 p.m.; family-style dinner will be served at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$60 per person. Advance reservations are required. Contact Jody Hrymak Kirsich, (734) 522-0661, or bennyhigh73@twm.rr.com.

Bishop Borgess High School Classes of 1970, '71, '72, '73 and '74
A combined reunion, Oct. 4, Hellenic Cultural Center, \$60. Dinner Buffet, Open Bar, Midnight Snacks and Music. No ticket sales at door. Contact (248) 442-0946 or bbhsfirstfive.com

Class of 1988
A 20-year reunion will be held on Oct. 11 at the Fairlane Club. Tickets, \$50 per person, include dinner, drinks and music. No ticket sales at door. For more information visit www.88reunion.net, e-mail borgess1988@gmail.com or call (313) 410-3750.

Brighton High School Class of 1989
Planning a 20th reunion and searching for classmates. Please sign up at "yahoo groups-brighton high school class of 1989" for more information.

Cass Technical High School Classes of 1964-67
Reunion dinner dance, Saturday, Nov. 15. Call Rita, (313) 567-8133.

Class of 1959
50th reunion with a 3-day weekend of activities June 5-7. Events will include a Saturday evening dinner party at Plum Hollow Country Club in Southfield. For information, visit www.casstech59.com or contact Marge Teramino Knable, reunion@casstech59.com; Debbie Friedman, (248) 626-3729; or Steve Sperling, (248) 360-9658.

Cherry Hill High School Classes of 1963-84
25th Reunion, 6 p.m.-1 a.m. Friday, Nov. 28, Hawthorne Valley Country Club, Westland. Cost, \$50 per person, includes dinner and open bar. Casual attire. Advance tickets only by Sept. 30. Call Lori Westerholm, (734) 834-6796, Mary (Potvin) McCollough, (734) 658-1014 or Renee (Scott) Liske, (734) 425-7826

Clarkston High School Class of 1998
A 10-year reunion will be held at Deer Lake Athletic Club in Clarkston, 6:30 p.m.-midnight Saturday, Nov. 29. The evening includes dinner, entertainment and/or dancing and cocktails. Ticket price TBA. This is an adult dinner, and each alumnus is welcome to bring one date. For more information, look on MySpace and Facebook, visit http://clarkston1998reunion.myevent.com, e-mail chs1998grads@hotmail.com, or call Samantha at (248) 884-8658.

Clarenceville High School Class of 1988
20th high school reunion, Oct. 17-19. Contact Julie (Mansell) Pierce at (734) 996-2513 or pierce.julie@gmail.com for more information.

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

Class of 1978
A 30 year reunion will be held Friday, Nov. 28 at the O'Kelly K of C Hall in Dearborn. Contact Diane (Verostick) Kapelanski at (734) 981-0091 or dianekap@comcast.net for more information.

Dearborn Edsel Ford January Class of 1958
A 50th reunion will be held Oct. 3 at the Dearborn Inn. Call Nancy McGregor Ketko at (248) 851-5257 or Pat Keoshian Holmes at (734) 427-0256 for further information.

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

Detroit Cass Tech Class of 1958
A 50-year reunion, Oct. 11. For details, call Isabelle at (313) 882-4626 and at casstech58.com.

Detroit Chadsey High School Class of 1957
An Alumni Dinner will be held Saturday, Oct. 11 at American Legion Post No. 32, at 9315 Newburgh in Livonia. Contact Pat at 734-522-1284.

Detroit Christ the King Elementary Class of 1963

A 45-year reunion is being planned for 2008. Searching for classmates. The reunion date has not been set. Contact Dennis Place at (734) 354-0223 or e-mail denplace@bigfoot.com.

Detroit Eastern High School Classes up to 1958
All classes invited to reunion Sunday, Oct. 5, at the Ukrainian Cultural Center, 26601 Ryan Road, in Warren. Doors at 1:30 p.m., dinner at 3 p.m., open bar, \$30 per person, must be paid before Sept. 29. Call Bob Butler, (586) 412-9998; or Terry Des Rivers Edwards, (313) 885-2562 or (313) 300-6385.

Class of 1958
50th reunion weekend, "Mix and Mingle" 7 p.m.-midnight Oct. 10, Sinbad's, Detroit; "Gala Banquet," 7 p.m.-midnight, Oct. 11, Western Golf & Country Club, Redford; "Back to Mack Church Service," 10 a.m. Oct. 12, Genesis Lutheran Church, Detroit. \$125 package pricing, individual pricing available. Call Delores Sykes Cotton, (248) 353-7452; e-mail EHS1958reunion@aol.com; or visit www.Classmates.com "Eastern High School."

Detroit Holy Redeemer High School Class of 1958
A 50th reunion on Saturday, Oct. 4, at O'Kelley K of C, Dearborn. Contact Mary Burns at (313) 937-3979 or burnsmay@aol.com for information.

Detroit St. Bridgid Class of 1959
Planning a reunion and looking for classmates. Please contact szonyek@att.net with any information about classmates.

Class of 1978
A 30-year reunion is planned for Saturday, Nov. 29. For more info, contact Donna Willingham at (313) 605-0377 or e-mail western1978@att.net.

Detroit Winship School Class of 1956
Members of the eighth grade graduating class of 1956 who are interested in planning a reunion, should call Beth Weingarden at (810) 695-7882.

Farmington Harrison High School Class of 1998
A 10-year reunion will be held at Andiamo Italia's Dirty Martini Lounge, 6-10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 29. Purchase advance tickets, \$55, by sending a check payable to "HHS Class of 1998" c/o K. Crites, 4105 N. Sheridan Road, Chicago, Ill. 60613. A limited number

of premium priced tickets will be available after Nov. 1. No tickets at the door. Contact Kelly English Nelson at HHS.1998.Reunion@hotmail.com.

Ferndale High School Class of 1963
45th reunion, Oct. 11, at Shield's Pizza, Southfield. Call Betty (248) 852-8530.

Garden City High School Class of 1960
Mini-Reunion Luncheons held the second Saturday of every month at 1 p.m. in the banquet room in the Plymouth Denny's on Ann Arbor Road, east of I-275. Call Gary Simon at (734) 751-4101 or send e-mail to GCHS.MCMLX@yahoo.com.

Class of 1989
Need classmates to register online. Send names, addresses and e-mail addresses to Paula at gch-1989reunion@hotmail.com. Visit www.myspace.com/gchs20threunion. The reunion date has not been set yet.

Grosse Pointe North Class of 1991
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Lincoln Park High School
Looking for members of Lincoln Park High School class of 1958 for 50-year reunion. Contact: Nancy, (313) 535-8777 or nc6897@sbcglobal.net.

Livonia Bentley Class of 1958
50th reunion, Oct. 10-12, including golf at Whispering Willows Golf Course and dinner at One Under. For details contact Ellen Baumgartner Dorman, (734) 261-6984; Jane Faries Hopper, (248) 474-3728.

Livonia Franklin Class of 1969
A reunion is in-the pre-planning stages. For more information, contact Kathy Nisun at (248) 363-5679 or e-mail: Kayniniu@aol.com.

Livonia Stevenson Class of 1968
40 Year Reunion 7 p.m. Saturday Oct. 18, 2008, at The Radisson Hotel at Laurel Park, Livonia. For more information and to make reservations, call Sharon at (734) 261-3264.

Milford High School Class of 1978
Planning a 30th reunion. Class members should contact the reunion committee as soon as possible. E-mail milford78@gmail.com.

Redford Thurston Class of 1968
Pre-Party Get Together 5 p.m. Friday Nov. 21, at Bar Louie, 37716 West Six, Livonia. 40th Year Reunion with strolling buffet 6 p.m.-midnight Saturday, Nov. 22, at Detroit Marriott Livonia, 17100 Laurel Park Drive North. \$50 per person plus cash bar. Contact Tony D'Ascenzo at tonyd@guardianplumbing.com, Terry Tipton at tetipto@netscape.net, or visit www.thurston-classof1968.com for details.

Redford Union Class of 1978
30 Year Reunion Saturday, 6 p.m. till 7 Saturday, Nov. 22, 2008, at Riverbank Golf Club, 24095 Currie Road, South Lyon. Cost \$20 per person if paid by Nov. 1, \$25 per person after Nov. 1. Contact Teresa (Linblad) McManamon at teresamac7@yahoo.com or (517) 861-0010, or Linda (Pearce) Dugan at lldugan@comcast.net or (734) 454-0745. Dress is casual. Hors d'oeuvres from 7-9 p.m. Cash bar.

Royal Oak Dondero Class of 1988
20-year reunion, Friday, Oct. 10 at the Royal Oak Music Theater featuring The Mega 80's. More information on classmates and where to register can be found at www.dondero1988.myevent.com.

Royal Oak Kimball Class of 1988
A 20-year class reunion will be held Saturday, Oct. 4. For more information please go to www.kimball1988.myevent.com to register.

South Lyon Class of 1993
15-year reunion 6 p.m.-midnight Saturday, Oct. 4 at the Barnstormer Banquet Center in Whitmore Lake. Tickets, \$55, (\$60 after Sept. 1) include dinner and cash bar. Visit www.southlyon93.com, or send check payable to "South Lyon High School Class of 1993" to Brian Abela, 207 Fox Grove Place, Hummelstown, PA 17036.

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11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00
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12:05, 2:35, 5:00, 7:25, 9:50
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12:20, 2:40, 4:55, 7:10, 9:30
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Plymouth District Library 2009 PROPOSED BUDGET

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General Fund	\$3,888,500
Debt Service Fund	633,938
TOTAL	\$4,522,438

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

The proposed 2009 budget documents are available for public examination at the Plymouth District Library on the upper level at the Reference Desk during regular Library hours.

PATRICIA A. THOMAS, Director
Plymouth District Library

The District Library Board 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 upon (7) seven days notice to the Plymouth District Library. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact Barbara Kraft, Secretary, Plymouth District Library, 223, S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170 at 734-453-0750 X217.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH PLANNING COMMISSION

PROPOSED ACTION: Request Approval of a Special Lane Use

DATE OF HEARING: Wednesday, October 15, 2008

TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 P.M.

PLACE OF HEARING: Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 North Haggerty Road

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the planning Commission of Plymouth Charter Township has received an application requesting **Special Land Use Approval** for a building addition to include a drive-thru facility, in the Ann Arbor Road Corridor District (ARC), on Tax ID R78-063-04-0001-000, pursuant to Zoning Ordinance No. 99, Section 14.3-y. The property is located West of Eckles Road, north of Ann Arbor Road, east of I-275, and south of Ann Arbor Trail at 39600 Ann Arbor Road.

Application 1997/0908. Applicant, Phil Haddad

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: For parcel description, see tax records based on Tax ID No. -78-063-04-0001-000.

The application may be examined at the Plymouth Township Division of Public Services, Community Development Department, during regular business hours from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting and may be mailed to 9955 N. Haggerty Rd., Plymouth, MI 48170 or call 734-354-3270, ext. 6. The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall which is located at 9955 N. Haggerty Rd., Plymouth Township, MI 48170.

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KENDRA BARBERENA, Secretary
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HANDLING POLITICS WHEN YOU'RE WORKING RETIRED



WORKWISE

It's easy to forget in a multi-generational workforce that work is ageless, not age-sensitive. Nowhere might this be clearer than in clashes between older and younger generations. How can you work through them

by Mildred L. Culp

as the number of working retirees increases?

EGO MANIAC
A Midwesterner recounts the horrors of his return-to-work from a retirement of about 30 months. At 71, he had the maturity and presence of mind to tell his interviewer at an engineering firm that a question about age was inappropriate, but that he'd respond... and then tell a joke to deflect tension and change the subject. He'd been seriously job hunting for six weeks to return to "what I'd done for so many years -- creating successful marketing campaigns," he e-mails. The stellar salary, the highest he'd ever earned, came with three weeks of vacation in the first year.

"The firm didn't know the difference between sales and marketing (and had) never employed anyone with either skill," he reports. "The nightmare began almost instantly, thanks to my having to report to -- and await decisions from

-- a vertically challenged ego maniac with a Napoleonic complex who was younger than my oldest son. Fifteen months later, I resigned."

Dividing and conquering, the younger boss manipulated everyone. He constantly spoke about power and his admiration for Hitler. He was obsessed with details, constantly found fault, nitpicked and pitted employees against each other. The Midwesterner attached an e-mail he would "send to the firm's 30-plus employees the next time I hear my former boss make a derogatory comment about my accomplishments."

WAYS OUT

Input from other people successful in working retirement indicates that leaving wasn't the only way to solve the problem. Perhaps if the Midwesterner had understood that age has nothing to do with tyranny, he'd have been able to step back and develop another solution. Orval Edwards, senior systems analyst in the Wholesale Loan Division at Bank of America, N.A., in Moorpark, Calif., developed ATMs worldwide for Citibank before he retired at 52. Now 68 and several jobs later, he continues to be comfortable on the job "by just being good at what I do, helping out," he says.

"A lot of employees come to me and ask what I think of this, and I do some mentoring," he adds. "It's a matter of respect -- demanding it and giving it." He points out that, having left the company, the Midwesterner would lose something and gain nothing by sending the e-mail.

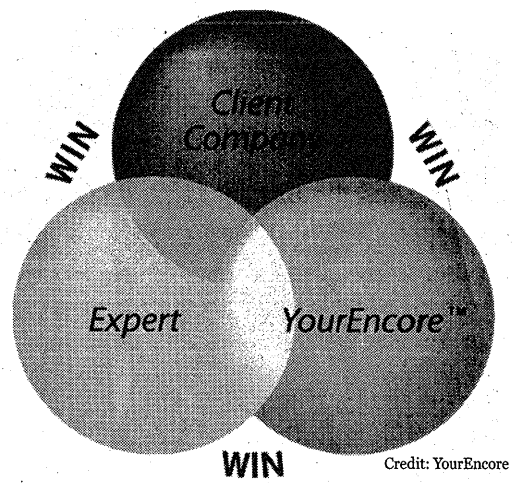
Edwards, who considers bad bosses a frequent problem in

the workplace, states, "There are laws against having a hostile workplace... I'd go to his boss and present the information and ask for some assistance. If he refused, I'd take it to HR and present it as a hostile environment issue (and potential discrimination against a senior)."

Larry Ellingson of Fountain Hills, Ariz., retired from Eli Lilly & Co. at age 55. Today, at 62, he chairs the board of a biotech company in New Zealand. He's represented by YourEncore Inc., which has offices in Indianapolis, Cincinnati and the United Kingdom placing experts in innovation. On assignment, they can avoid most administrative activities, such as staff meetings, budget submissions, performance reviews and politics, thanks to YourEncore's program.

"An intelligent individual who wants to be in control, whether he's young or not," Ellingson remarks, "can (create difficulties) in any environment. I'd sit down with him and make sure we know what we're trying to accomplish. Do this in the presence of HR or a senior executive with a neutral position."

Finally, notes Edwards, the technologist, many people returning to the workforce make the mistake of letting everyone know how outstanding they are as soon as they come on a board. "The way to contribute best," he states, "is by becoming a utility outfielder. Do what they need you to do. Don't ram yourself down their throats. Most of the time, they don't realize that they're missing something, whether they're younger or older."



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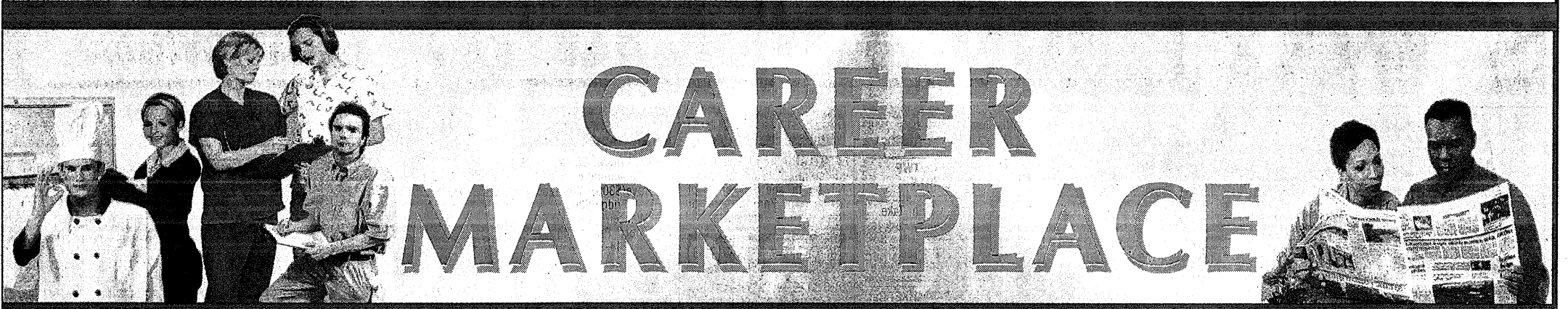
"People don't realize there's a season for everything," he adds. "You have to look for those openings and create them gently." (Dr. Mildred L. Culp is an award-winning journalist. E-mail your questions to culp@workwise.net. Copyright 2008 Passage Media.)



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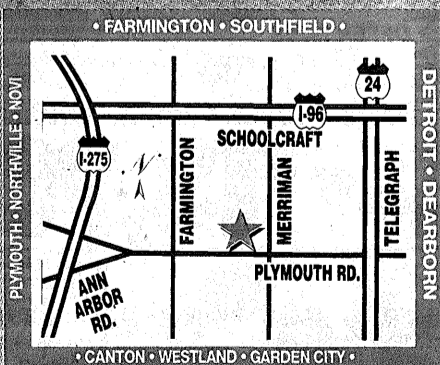


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Meadow Creek home: A happy family runs through it

The Meadow Creek (D8077) has the traditional farmhouse look with a covered porch, large windows, a dormer in the front, and a two-car garage. The façade is accented by rock on the side and rock cornices on the garage. This home has 1,858 square feet of gracious living space along with an unfinished basement of 1,405 square feet and an added bonus room over the garage of 300 square feet.

Just to the left of the front door is the formal dining room. It has a large set of windows overlooking the front porch and yard. Separating the great room from the dining room is the stairs to the second floor and the basement.

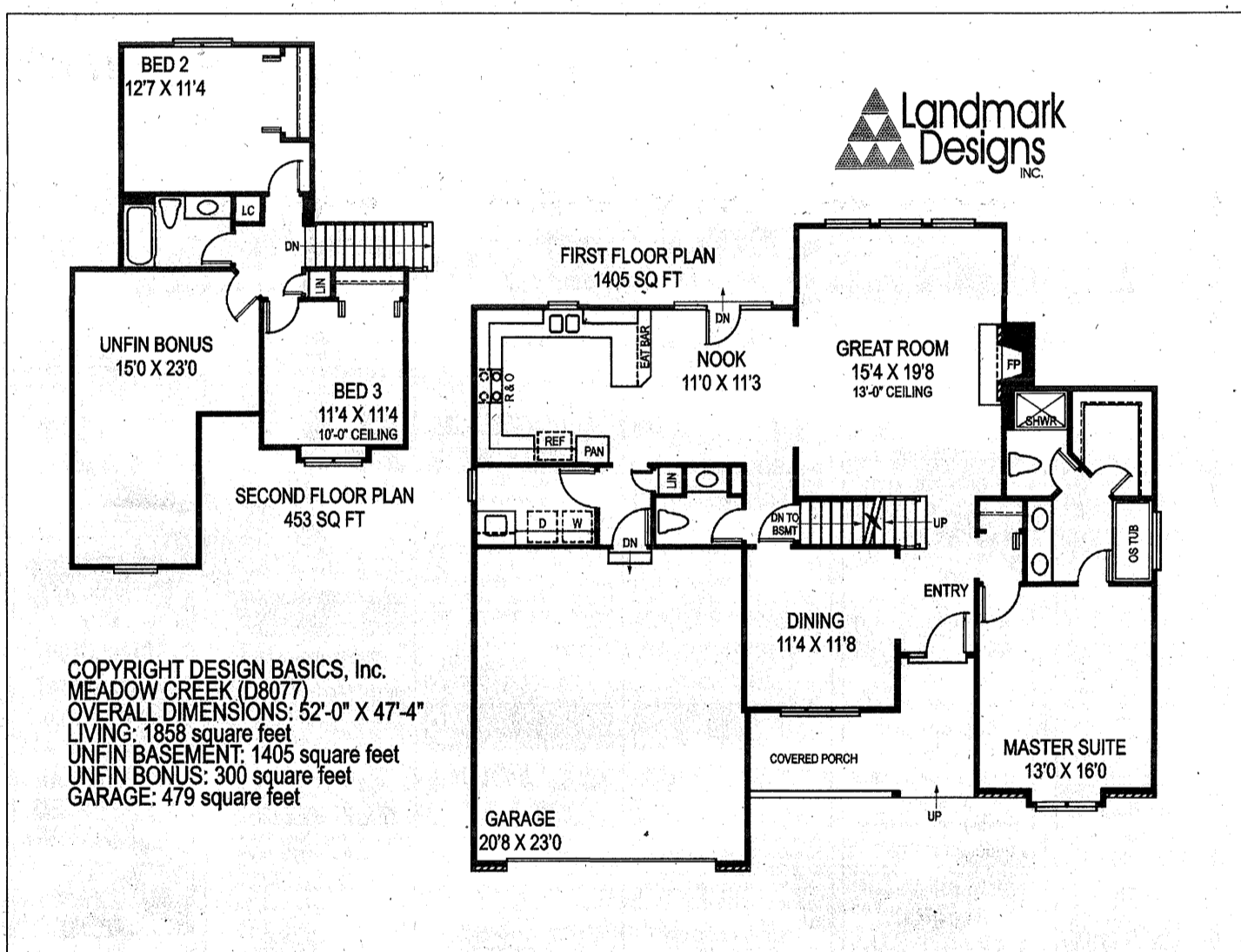
The great room has three large windows providing an open view of the back yard. A fireplace is on the right side. The room is open to the breakfast nook with a door to the back yard. The corner kitchen has a window over the sink, a pantry cabinet, and an eating bar facing the nook. Between the kitchen and the two-car garage is the utility room with a large laundry sink. A door to the garage separates the utility and a half-bath. For convenience, a linen closet is also in this area.

The master suite is on the right side of the entry and occupies the whole side. The master bath is rather uniquely laid out. In the first part are the "his and her" sinks with a large tub. In the rear corner behind a door is the walk-in closet. Adjacent behind another door is the shower and toilet.

Upstairs are two more bedrooms. Both have a wall closet and the front bedroom has the dormer window bathing the room with extra light. A linen closet is in the hallway opposite a full bath with a tub. The unfinished bonus room is located between the two bedrooms and has so many possibilities. It could be a playroom, a family room, a computer/den, exercise room, or just about anything a family would need.

The Meadow Creek would be ideal for the family with older children or the empty nesters that need upstairs bedrooms for the kids to come and visit. This home is compact yet has the open, spacious living area of a home that is much larger.

For a study plan of the MEADOW CREEK (D8077), send \$15 to Landmark Designs, 33127 Saginaw Rd. E., Cottage Grove, OR 97424 or call (800) 562-1151. Be sure to specify plan name and number. Compact disks, with search functions are free of charge, to help you search our portfolio for your dream home (\$5 shipping and handling will apply). Or you may order or search online at www.ldiplans.com. Save 15 percent on construction plans using the code (LOE48) online, mailing, or calling (800) 562-1151.



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Condo operation

Meisner & Associates will present "Introduction to Successful Condominium Operation," a four-week course, 7-9 p.m. Oct. 7, 14, 21 and 28

at the Bingham Farms office, 30200 Telegraph, Suite 467. The course is for those interested in serving on a board of directors of a condo, co-op or community association, as well as developers and managing agents who are assisting these boards. All attendees will receive a copy of attorney Robert Meisner's booklet, "Condominium Operation: Getting Started and Staying on the Right Track."

Advance registration is required. For registration information, call (800) 470-4433 or e-mail bmeisner@meisner-associates.com. Checks should be payable to Meisner & Associates, P.C. Cost is \$95 per person, with \$85 each for additional attendees from the same association.

BIA

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern

Michigan (BIA) and its NAHBR Professional Remodelers Council (NAHBR) will sponsor Certified Aging-in-Place (CAPS) seminars: "CAPS I: Marketing and Communication Strategies for Aging and Accessibility" on Wednesday, Oct. 1; "CAPS II: Design/Build Solutions for Aging and Accessibility" on Thursday, Oct. 2; and "CAPS III: Business Management for Building Professionals" on Friday, Oct. 3.

The three seminars will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills.

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Registration fees are \$155 per course for NAHBR members, \$200 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members and \$250 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at www.builders.org.

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will present "Condominium Flexibility: Cleaning Up After The Flood" on Friday, Oct. 10, from 8:30 a.m. to noon at Association Headquarters, 30375

Northwestern Highway in Farmington Hills.

The inherent flexibility of the Michigan Condominium Act makes it possible to reposition and reformat existing residential projects. Participants will gain an understanding of the risks and opportunities related to stepping into an existing project.

Speakers for the seminar are Jim Babcock of Babcock Building, Bill Freeman of Freeman Cotton & Gleeson, PLC, Greg J. Gamalski of Giamarco, Mullins & Horton, PC, and Phil Seaver of Seaver Title. Registration fees are \$10 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members and \$25 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at www.builders.org.

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will present

Green Built™ Training on Wednesday, Oct. 15, from 9 a.m. to noon at Association Headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, in Farmington Hills.

Chris Pratt of Wake-Pratt Construction will discuss building with materials and methods that result in Green Built™ certification. Building Green offers a change from selling cost per square foot to making an environmental statement. Topics in this training include building more energy-efficient, more durable and more environmentally sustainable homes with emphasis on indoor air quality and low impact development.

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Sporty Chevy Colorado could use more power

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Back in 2004, Chevrolet introduced the midsize Colorado as a replacement for the compact S-10 pickup truck. It was intended to offer a maneuverable, fuel-efficient alternative to its full-size Silverado counterpart and for the most part it has succeeded. The 2008 Chevy Colorado entered dealerships with minimal changes following significant upgrades on last year's model, including two new, more powerful engines.

Although the Colorado did receive bigger engines, the vehicle is still criticized by leading auto reviewers for its lack of acceleration. Nearly all of its rivals offer a V6 engine and there is no good reason that Chevy hasn't come around and offered one, too. On the plus side, the Colorado offers a variety of several suspension setups to provide either off-road capability or sporty handling depending on your needs.

Its seating configurations are customizable as well, with crew cab models offering a 60/40-split/folding rear seat capable of accommodating three adults.

Extended cab versions have four doors, and with its two folding rear seats facing forward, the Colorado's tailgate can open fully to almost 90 degrees. It can also be set at a 55-degree opening.

This design puts the tailgate edge at the same height as the top of the rear wheel wells within the cargo box, creating a sturdy, flat platform to conveniently transport longer items such as 4-foot by 8-foot sheets of wood.

The Colorado is available in three body styles: a regular cab, an extended cab and a crew cab. The crew cabs come with a 5-foot bed while the other two have a 6-footer.

There are three main trim levels for regular- and extended-cab Colorados: base Work Truck, LS and LT. The \$14,610-priced Work Truck comes with air conditioning and an AM/FM stereo but not much else. The LS adds upgraded seating and trim and access to a few more optional features.

The LT trim consists of three subsets: 1LT, 2LT and 3LT. The 1LT adds a CD player, titanium-



The Chevrolet Colorado got a much-needed boost in power last year. The 2008 didn't come with a V6 engine and Chevy really must think of upgrading for the future.

colored trim, leather-wrapped steering wheel and alloy wheels. The 2LT comes with full power accessories, keyless entry and a 5-cylinder engine. The 3LT adds color-keyed bumpers and grille, auto-dimming rearview mirror and sliding rear window.

Highly versatile, the Colorado is available with several packages. Both the Z85 heavy-duty and Z71 off-road packages add a torsion-bar front suspension with heavier-duty shocks. The Z71 offers the tallest ride height, along with a locking rear differential, oversize tires and skid plates on 4WD models. The Xtreme package is geared toward street performance with a lowered suspension, quicker steering, 18-inch alloy wheels with performance tires and color-keyed wheel flares, grille and bumpers.

Other available options, depending on trim level and body style, include leather seating, a CD changer, OnStar, satellite radio and a sunroof.

There are two available engines -- the 2.9-liter inline 4-cylinder that makes 185 horsepower and the 3.7-liter inline 5-cylinder that's good for 242 horsepower. A 5-speed manual transmission is standard on all 4-cylinder Colorados except the 2WD crew cab, while a 4-speed automatic is optional. The automatic comes standard on 5-cylinder trucks.

Four-cylinder Colorados get a respectable 15 miles per gallon in the city and 20 mpg on the highway.

On the inside, the Colorado's instrument panel has large, easy-to-read analog gauges, with switches and controls designed for easy operation with work

gloves.

With its efficient packaging, the Colorado can be mistaken for a spacious full-size pickup rather than a typical midsize truck.

There's no mistaken that it rides like a smaller truck, though. The Colorado has a stiff frame that enables more precise suspension tuning to deliver a smooth, isolated ride without sacrificing responsive handling.

Anti-lock brakes are standard. Side curtain airbags are optional. Stability control is not available. Traction control is also optional, but only on 2WD automatic trucks.

In government crash tests, the Colorado crew cab earned a perfect five-star rating for the driver and front passenger in frontal impact testing.

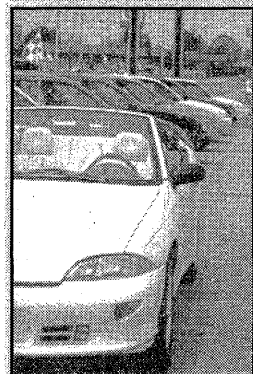
The Colorado looks good and is versatile. But Chevy really needs to equip this thing with a V6.

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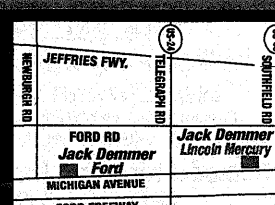
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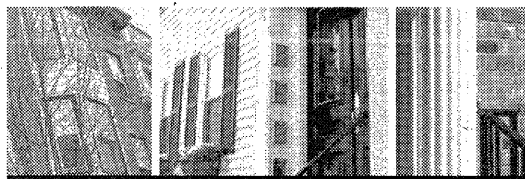
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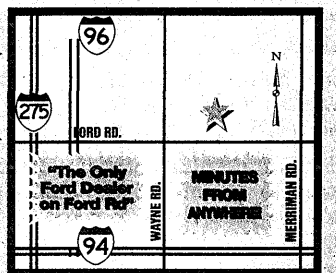
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