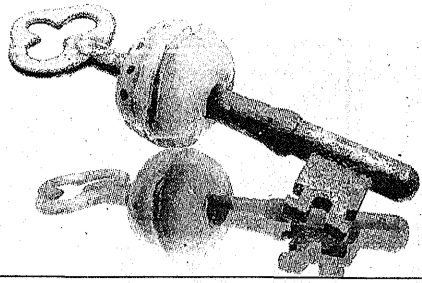


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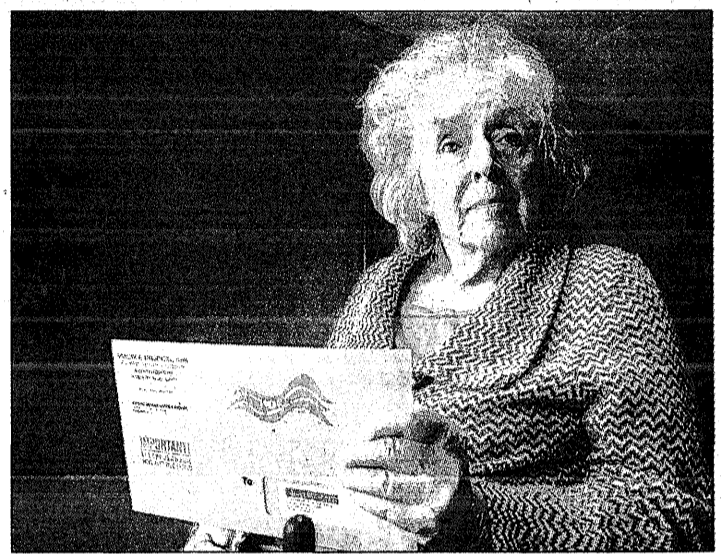
## Voters lining up in record numbers

BY BRAD KADRICH  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The state of Michigan has reached a record number of registered voters, according to totals released this week from the Secretary of State's office, and 81-year-old Evelyn Osler was comforted by the knowledge she was among them. Until she actually tried to vote. Osler, a Plymouth resident since 1996, is currently being cared for in a Canton Township nursing home. She had been paying close attention to politics — as she always had — and wanted to make sure she cast a ballot. When the family contacted Plymouth Township officials to request an absentee ballot, they were told Evelyn was no longer registered. "My dad (Norman, who passed away in 2003) and her were very patriotic,

and they always made sure to vote," Kurt Osler said. "She looks at it as a duty." For a while, it appeared to be a duty she might not be able to fulfill this year. Evelyn suffered a stroke in 2002, and had been living with her daughter in Plymouth Township since 2004, when the family sold Norman and Evelyn's house. According to Plymouth Township Deputy Clerk Joe Bridgman, an ID card sent to Evelyn was returned by the post office, with the designation "no longer at this address." After doing what investigation it could, the township removed Evelyn from the voter registration. "After about six months, we cancelled her registration because we had sufficient evidence she no longer lived there," Bridgman said. "We uncanceled her and re-registered her, because she should never have been cancelled to begin with." Evelyn Osler is now one of 21,271 voters

registered in Plymouth Township as of Friday morning. According to Bridgman, that's up more than 1,200 just since the August primary. "We get new registrations every day, of course, with people moving in and people moving out," Bridgman said. "But we've had huge amounts this year." Voter registration is up (by 296 voters) in the city of Plymouth, too, where Clerk Linda Langmesser attributes it to interest in the presidential election and an effort to register young people. "The colleges were doing big voter drives, and Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton did a voter drive out at the high schools and got some kids registered," Langmesser said. "It seems like a lot of younger people have registered since August. That's good."



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

It wasn't very easy for Evelyn Osler to get an absentee ballot.

## Military marchers

**Band members  
chosen for Army  
football bowl**

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Two Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Marching Band members are among 97 musicians nationwide who have been selected to form the U.S. Army All-American Marching Band, which will perform Jan. 3 during halftime of the Army's All-American Bowl in San Antonio, Texas. Plus, a member of the Plymouth-Canton color guard team will also be on the field at halftime following her selection by Drum Corps International. Clarinet players Stephanie Torok and Ryan Zaluzec were chosen after being encouraged to apply via an audition tape. "I'm really excited and proud," said Torok, 17, of Plymouth Township. "I'm excited to meet people from all over the country. It will be a really good experience. "We've both worked an immense



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Plymouth/Canton marching band members Ryan Zaluzec, left, and Stephanie Torok, right, join flag core member Megan Meddaugh as they receive invitations to U.S. Army All-American Marching Band.

amount to get where we've gotten today," added Torok, who has played the clarinet for nine years. "I love marching band. It allows me to show my emotions without saying anything and just play music." Zaluzec has been playing clarinet for about 10 years. "It's a lot of fun because it allows for really great emotional range and yet

technically there's also a lot to master, too," said Zaluzec, 17, of Canton Township. "It's challenging, but it pays off in the end." Megan Meddaugh, who has been a member of the color guard for four years, actually auditioned while attending a marching drum corps program this summer in South

### HOOFIN' IT

- Who: P-CEP marching band members Stephanie Torok and Ryan Zaluzec, drum major Megan Meddaugh
- What: Army's All-American Bowl
- When: Jan. 3
- Where: San Antonio, Texas

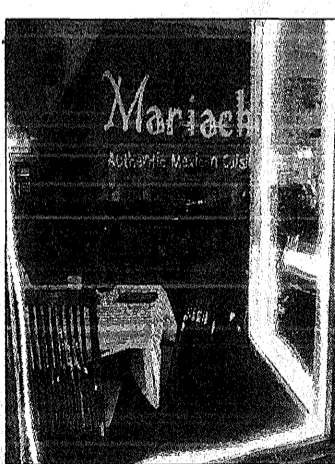
Carolina. "What I learned there helped me here and helped everybody get better as a whole and just made me love spinning more than I ever did," said Meddaugh, 18, of Canton. "We've been taught how to spin a flag, rifle or saber; we have to know how to dance and put it all together and be able to march with the band and not hurt anybody." Former P-CEP band director Marc Whitlock, who was one of the band coaches at last year's inaugural game, will also be attending this year. He'll be joined by current band director Martin Montoya. "It's really cool to see when you have a well-established program and students from that program are recognized at an even higher level," Montoya said. "It speaks great things for our program and speaks especially highly of them as individuals and their dedication and talent."

**Doyle's tagged  
for \$4.5 million  
in deadly crash**

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A Wayne County jury has ordered Doyle's Tavern in Plymouth to pay \$4.5 million to the estate of a Novi man who was killed when a drunken driver crashed his car at Plymouth and Joy roads Sept. 5, 2004. The decision stems from a suit filed by the estate of John Spolsky of Novi. According to police reports, Chris Bohm of South Lyon lost control of his car and rolled 800 feet, ejecting and killing both Spolsky - his best friend - and Bohm's sister, Patricia, also of South Lyon. Police estimate Chris Bohm was traveling 72 mph in a 55 mph zone. Chris Bohm survived the crash. The jury determined Doyle's Tavern was 95 percent responsible for the death of Spolsky, Chris Bohm was 5 percent responsible and no responsibility was assessed to Spolsky. Messages to Doyle's Tavern owner John Doyle were not immediately returned. "The most unusual part of the verdict isn't the amount, it's the division of fault with the bar 95 percent at fault and the driver only 5 percent," said Dan Kelly, of the law firm Gianmarco, Mullins & Horton in Troy, the attorney for the Spolsky family. "Typically you would have the bar less responsible than the at-fault driver, but in this case the law was important enough in finding the bar more at fault than the driver of the vehicle who caused the accident. "The law says you never serve anyone who is visibly intoxicated, not legally intoxicated," said Kelly. "In this case the driver

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Decorative lights are burning and there are tablecloths still on the table, but Mariachi is closed.

## Violations force eatery to close doors

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Problems with liquor law violations and bounced employee paychecks led to the Mariachi Dos restaurant on Penniman closing its doors just five months after opening in the former five-star Cafe Bon Homme location. The closing of the Plymouth restaurant follows the shutdown of the original Mariachi restaurant in Canton Township about a month ago. According to Plymouth City Manager Paul Sincock, there were a number of violations that led to the demise of

the restaurant, owned by Angel and Jennifer Silva Gomez. "They had not applied, yet, for a transfer of the liquor license (from Cafe Bon Homme owners) and there was an issue of selling liquor on an outside patio without a permit," he said. City officials recently handed the case to the state Liquor Control Commission. Plymouth Police Detective Lt. Al Cox said several employees reported bounced paychecks, with at least one filing a complaint. Cox said one employee claimed the "owner owes him three paychecks." The owners also reportedly made interior renovations and built a patio

in the back of the restaurant without a building permit. "They never applied for any permits," Building Official Jim Penn said. The Gomezes were also in violation of Historic District regulations for removing an awning and painting the outside without permission of the Historic District Commission. The Gomezes opened the Canton restaurant in May 2007, with Mariachi Dos opening its doors about a year later. The Gomezes have not been available for comment.

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## Study touts township for business climate

BY BRAD KADRICH  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Plymouth Township's focus on attracting business pays off this week when the township shares top billing with five other communities in a new University of Michigan-Dearborn study.

Expected to be released this week by the Center for Innovation Research at U-M-Dearborn's School of Management, the report - "eCities 2008" - will include Plymouth Township with Auburn Hills, Southfield, Troy, Tecumseh and Dundee for attracting and retaining entrepreneurial companies.

It's the second such study for the center - and the first to include Plymouth Township. Troy and Auburn Hills are repeat entries from the 2007 index.

Plymouth Township Supervisor Richard Reaume said the independent study reflects the "team effort" and emphasis the township puts on economic development.

"We want to not only retain jobs, but also bring in new companies creating new jobs locally and for the state of Michigan," Reaume said. "Businesses look at low taxes, but they look at other things, like quality of life, your pool of human resources ... all of those go into the decision. That's where we've been able to attract businesses to come to our area."

While last year's report looked at 14 cities in four counties, this year's index

included a look at 36 cities and townships in eight counties - Wayne, Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw, Livingston, Monroe, Lenawee and St. Clair. Among the factors in the judging: clustering or concentration of business property and infrastructure; incentives such as tax abatements; growth, including construction and changes in business activity; local government policies and practices; residents' education levels; and community indicators of entrepreneurship, such as total households with self-employment income.

"We've actually gone out and done recruiting," Reaume said. "You've got to go out and tell your story, otherwise they won't know you. We've been very successful in getting (businesses) to consider us."

The report also cites Plymouth Township for efforts to foster technology and research development, as well as efforts to promote the area's hotel industry.

It also helps the township to have someplace like St. John's, with its multiple halls and conference centers, available to businesses.

"Plymouth Township has actively worked to create an environment that touches on many (issues) site consultants use when businesses locate," Davis said. "They can also leverage private and public facilities. Businesses think it's great having St. John's to use."

## Symphony releases first children's CD

The Plymouth Canton Symphony Society is set to release its first commercially recorded and produced children's CD Saturday.

"Magical Tunes & Marvelous Tales" features The Studio Orchestra of the PCSS and the music and stories of many children's classics such as *Ferdinand The Bull*, *Jack & the Beanstalk*, *Island of the Blue Dolphins*, *Paddle to the Sea* and more.

CD release parties are set for Nov. 1. The first take place at the Penn Theatre in downtown Plymouth at noon as part of the Saturdays @ The Penn Family Variety Shows. Music from the CD will be featured as performed by members of the Celebration Youth Orchestra under the direction of Ariel Toews and the Celebration Flute Choir under the direction of PSO Conductor Nan Washburn.

Also featured will be members of the Plymouth Uptown Players as they perform to the recording of *Jack & The Beanstalk* and everyone will join musicians in singing, *The Instruments' Song*, also featured on the CD. At the conclusion of the show, CDs will be available for sale.

The second party takes place at 7:30 p.m. at the Lotus Arts Gallery, 995 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. CDs will be available for sale and musicians from the recording will be on hand to autograph the CD.

The CD was recorded, engineered and mastered by the staff and students at Schoolcraft College in the Recording



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Fawaz, 12, the daughter of Mike and Tina Fawaz of Plymouth, entered the competition through the place where she was taking acting lessons.



Fawaz

After an audition interview at the Southfield Hilton Garden Inn, she was chosen to participate. The competition will include casual wear and formal wear, along with an interview portion.

She drew sponsorships from a variety of area businesses in order to participate. Sponsors include Alpha Wireless of Saline; Saad Market Canton; Canton Coney Island; Canton Center Bakery; Picnic Basket Plymouth; CVS of Plymouth and Canton; Milano Men's Fine Apparel; Nature's Choice; Kroger Canton; Palermo in Canton; Kristal Cleaner's; Mango's Fruit Market; Westbrook Salon; Vic's Mart; Dollar Wish; Urban Hair Studio; Hair Vibes; Brass & Iron Shop; Mayflower Party Store; Papa Romano's; Rami's Salon; The Box Depot; Dancewear Gallery; I Computers; Home Sweet Home; and Michigan Made and More.

Lakeview High School is located at 21100 Eleven Mile in St. Clair Shores. The competition is at 4 p.m. Tickets are \$20 at the door.

### Ghosts and goblins

Butterfly Olivia Smith was one of thousands of youngsters who took part in last year's Great Pumpkin Caper, sponsored by the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce. This year's event takes place 5:30-7 p.m. Thursday, October 30, 2008 from 5:30-7:00 p.m. The downtown merchants invite parents to bring their children trick-or-treating in the safety of downtown Plymouth. The event features the annual Costume Contest, 6-7 p.m. For more information, contact the chamber at (734) 453-1540.

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Technology Program, and the cover and CD case design were produced by students and staff at Schoolcraft in the Computer Graphics Technology Department.

"Magical Tunes & Marvelous Tales" is the first CD for children of all ages recorded by the Studio Orchestra of the Plymouth Symphony Society. The CD sells for \$15 (10-percent discount for orders of two or more and 15-percent discount for orders over seven).

For more information, visit the Plymouth Symphony

Society's Web site at [www.plymouthsymphony.org](http://www.plymouthsymphony.org) or call (734) 451-2112.

### Miss Pre-Teen contender

Alea Fawaz of Plymouth has been chosen to participate in Nationals Miss Pre-Teen Detroit 2008.

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**Purple Gang auction**

No bullets will be flying while author Paul Kavieff speaks about the notorious Purple Gang at the Plymouth Historical Museum's annual dinner and auction, Saturday, Nov. 8.

The talk will be part of the museum's annual dinner and auction and will begin at 6:30 p.m. Kavieff is the author of both *The Purple Gang: Organized Crime in Detroit 1910-1945* and *Detroit's Infamous Purple Gang*. There will be a silent auction and raffle, with items available for viewing when the doors open at 5:30 p.m. Auction and raffle items include a Red Ryder/Little Beaver 2-gun commemorative gun set, an autographed photo of Detroit Tiger's shortstop Edgar Rentaria, a History Buff package from The Henry Ford, luggage, wine, antiques, jewelry, gift certificates from local merchants and restaurants, and gift baskets. Tickets are \$50 per per-

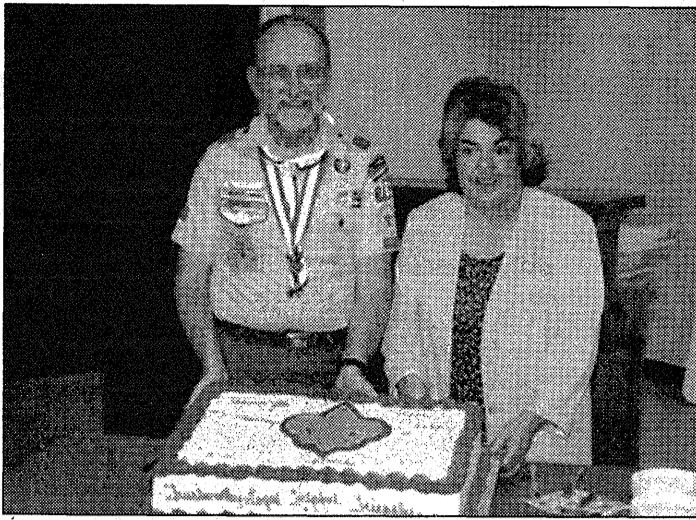
son and are being sold at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main Street, as well as at Wiltse's Community Pharmacy, 330 S. Main Street, and Michigan Made & More, 830 W. Ann Arbor Trail. You can also purchase tickets from the museum's Web site at <http://www.plymouthhistory.org/Events.html>. Tickets will not be available at the door. For more information, call (734) 455-8940 during museum hours, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays 1-4 p.m. Contemporary dress from the 1920s-30s is encouraged, but not required.

**Flu shots**

The Plymouth Community Council on Aging offers an additional day for flu shots noon to 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 30, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, in Plymouth. For more information or to sign up, call (734) 453-1234, Ext. 236.

**Rotary A.M. speaker**

On Tuesday, Oct. 28, the Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M. welcomes Robert Riney, Chief Executive Officer of Henry Ford Health Systems, as the



**Fond farewell**

The members of Scout Troop 781 at Our Lady of Good Counsel bade farewell to retiring Scoutmaster Fran Kearney at a recent Court of Honor. Kearney (pictured with his wife, Theresa, a badge counselor for the troop) spent nearly 10 years with the troop. Between 150-200 people, including many scouts from years past, returned to honor Kearney at the Court of Honor.

club's guest speaker. Riney will be addressing the issue of medical care for the "under" and "un" insured and its impact on hospitals, county, state - and each individual. This is a major concern in today's economic climate and everyone is invited to come and hear Riney's perspective and experience in tackling this

critical and timely issue. The Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M. meets at 7 a.m. every Tuesday at the Plymouth Community Arts Council on Sheldon (at Junction) in Plymouth. **Make a Difference Day** The Plymouth Community United Way is sponsor-

ing a yard clean-up activity for senior citizens in the Plymouth-Canton area 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 1. Seniors who need help with raking leaves or other light yard work call can call the Plymouth Community United Way at (734) 453-6879, Ext. 2. The PCUW is also searching for volunteers, students who need community service credits and any others who can help clean yards. Call the PCUW to sign up.

**Voters guides**

The League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County announced the 2008 Voter Guides covering candidates running for State Representative, Wayne County Commission, Circuit and District Courts and township offices are now available in all public libraries in Livonia, Canton, Plymouth, Westland, Wayne, Redford, Garden City and Northville. On-line versions of the voter guide are also available on the League's Web site: [www.lwvwww.org](http://www.lwvwww.org). In addition to responses received from questionnaires sent to state and local candidates, voters can also find the Voter Guide for federal offices, university governing boards, the Michigan Supreme Court, and the Court of Appeals that was produced by the League of Women Voters of Michigan at local libraries, and on the League's Web site.

the parish office at (734) 453-0326, Ext. 221. **Entertainment books** The Plymouth Symphony League is launching their 2009 Greater Detroit Area Entertainment Book Sale. For \$20, buyers get coupons that will save money on a variety of entertainment activities like Plymouth Symphony Orchestra concerts, attractions like the Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village, specialty stores, and fine and casual restaurants all over the area. For a limited time only, with each purchase of a 2009 Entertainment book, customers will receive a 2008 book free (while supplies last). The 2009 edition of the Entertainment Book also includes a Platinum section, featuring special discount certificates for the "best of the best" restaurants in Metro Detroit, including Plymouth's own Ernesto's and the Whitney restaurant in Detroit. Help the arts thrive in your community and get your books at the Plymouth Symphony Office by calling (734) 451-2112, Tuesday-Friday, 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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**Shopping extravaganza**  
 Plymouth First United Methodist Church hosts its seventh annual Shopping Extravaganza 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8. The church is located at 45201 North Territorial in Plymouth. The extravaganza will feature many vendors/crafters, as well as lunch, a bake sale, prizes and a silent auction. For information on being a vendor, contact Peggy Dalton at (734) 459-9691.

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA NOVEMBER 13, 2008**

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2008 at 7:00 PM**. The meeting will be held in the Board Room at the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188. The following agenda will be discussed:

**Pledge of Allegiance to the flag**

**Roll Call:** Randy Blaylock, Jim Cisek, Craig Engel, Steven Johnson, Vicki Welty  
**Alternate:** Dawn Zuber

**Acceptance of Agenda**

- Sysco Food Services of Detroit, LLC, 41600 Van Born Road, Canton, MI 48188, for industrial property located at same address, north side of Van Born Road between Haggerty and Lilley Roads, appealing Zoning Ordinance Article 2.00, Section 2.24C, variance of 40 ft from the 50ft buffer from the centerline of a drain. Zone GI Parcels 140-99-0010-700; 140-99-0099-000; 140-99-0008-000 (Planning)
- Joseph White of Endeavour Development, 660 N. Sheldon, Plymouth, MI 48170, for industrial property located on the east side of Haggerty Road between Palmer Road and Michigan Avenue, appealing Zoning Ordinance Article 4.00, Section 4.01D.4, variance of 4 ft from the minimum 30ft wide driveway requirement. Zone LL-R Parcel 099-99-0001-704 (Planning)
- Bryan L. Amann, 355 North Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48187, for vacant property located on the north side of Cherry Hill Road between Canton Center and Sheldon Roads, appealing Zoning Ordinance Article 26.00, Section 26.03.e, variance of 26ft from the required 60ft building setback from the north property line and a variance of 10 ft from the required 30ft landscape buffer to allow a driveway closer than 30ft from the north property line. Zone C-2 Parcels 059-99-0004-711; 059-99-0005-702 (Planning)

**Approval of the October 9, 2008 Minutes**

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

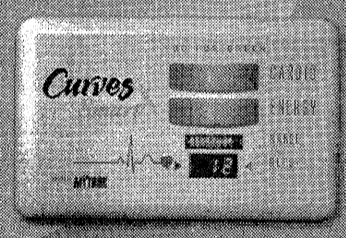
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# Madonna takes next step, a doctor's degree in nursing

BY HUGH GALLAGHER  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Next May, Madonna University will take a major step forward when it launches its first doctorate degree, in nursing practices.

Teresa Thompson, dean of Madonna's College of Nursing and Health, said it was the logical next step.

"Madonna University has a long history, 25 years ago the first master's degree was offered here and right at the forefront was administration and nursing," Thompson said. "So we've been there from the beginning, so it's obvious that we would be the first group to take that next step. We want to be in the forefront of where the profession is going and assure own viability for the future."

Beginning in May, 12 to 15 students will begin a two-year, 36 credit hour clinical degree program. Nancy O'Connor, chair of the nursing graduate program, said the degree is comparable to a professional degree in law or pharmacy rather than a research focused doctorate or PhD.

"There are nurses who want a terminal practice degree or clinical degree," she said. "We like to call it practice because not only is it in direct care but also has practice of nursing administration to administer nursing systems of care, but requires extensive knowledge beyond the master's degree. It's a degree for nurses seeking the highest level of nursing practice."

Currently, O'Connor said, most candidates from Madonna have completed 50 credits for their master's degree. Combined with the 36 credits that would make close to 90 post baccalaureate credit hours.

O'Connor said there is a movement in the profession to make the DNP degree the entry level post baccalaureate degree, bypassing the master's degree. She said Wayne State University has already started to make that move. At

Madonna, the master's degree will continue for now, but the goal is to have the DNP as the entry level post graduate degree by 2015.

The DNP program has been designed for nurses already working in the field.

"We're offering it in an executive model, because we realize that the post master's students are already holding very responsible positions in the health system and are not free to come to school during regular hours," O'Connor said.

The program would combine online instruction with weekend classes. The students would come to the campus Friday afternoons and all day Saturday every fourth week.

"The model was derived from a needs assessment. We surveyed about a thousand of our potential students and we found they wanted some online but didn't want it totally online, they wanted some face to face," O'Connor said.

Thompson said the graduates of the program have the potential to make a major impact on the health system. O'Connor said the program will also contribute to dealing with the shortage of nursing faculty.

Thompson said other



Left to right, Nancy O'Connor, chair of the graduate nursing program; Ernest Nolan, vice president of academic administration; and Teresa Thompson, dean of Madonna's nursing school.

Madonna departments are discussing introducing doctorate programs, but that the nursing program was the in best position to take the step with 260 undergraduate and 100 graduate students.

"Our alumni would be the first to say, when are you going to do this, when are you moving forward? They have an affinity and a loyalty to Madonna," Thompson said.

O'Connor said DNP candidates will be required to complete a research project

and participate in an immersion program within a health system.

She said DNP graduates will be able to provide the needed link between the research of PhD nurses and the real world of patient care.

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# Absentee voting still an option

Voters have the option of voting by absentee ballot in the Nov. 4 election.

"The absentee ballot option gives those who qualify the opportunity to participate in the election and to vote the ballot at their convenience," said Terri Lynn Land, Michigan secretary of state. "You still have to get an absentee ballot for the November election if you qualify, but the deadline is fast approaching. Simply contact your local clerk for more information."

As a registered voter, you may obtain an absentee ballot if you are: age 60 or older; physically unable to attend the polls without the assistance of another; expecting to be out of town on election day; in jail waiting arraignment or trial; unable to attend the polls due to religious reasons; or appointed to work as an election inspector in a precinct outside of your precinct of residence.

Voters who wish to receive their absentee ballot by mail have until 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, to submit their absentee ballot application to their city or township clerk. Voters must include their name, address and the qualifying reason for requesting the bal-

lot. An absentee ballot application is available at any local clerk's office or online at [www.Michigan.gov/vote](http://www.Michigan.gov/vote). A request can also be submitted in a simple letter or on a postcard.

Registered voters may also visit their city or township clerk's office for an absentee ballot through 4 p.m. Monday, Nov. 3. Those who request a ballot in person on Nov. 3 must vote the ballot while in the clerk's office. Absentee ballots must be returned to the clerk's office by hand or by mail by 8 p.m. on Election Day. Emergency absentee ballots are available under certain conditions through 4 p.m. on election day. Voters should note that if they are registered to vote by mail or via a voter registration drive and have never voted in Michigan, they are not eligible to vote by absentee ballot in their first election. They must vote in person at their precinct instead. However, this restriction does not apply to voters who are 60 or older, disabled or overseas. Absentee voters should remember to sign the return envelope.

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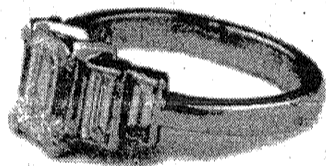
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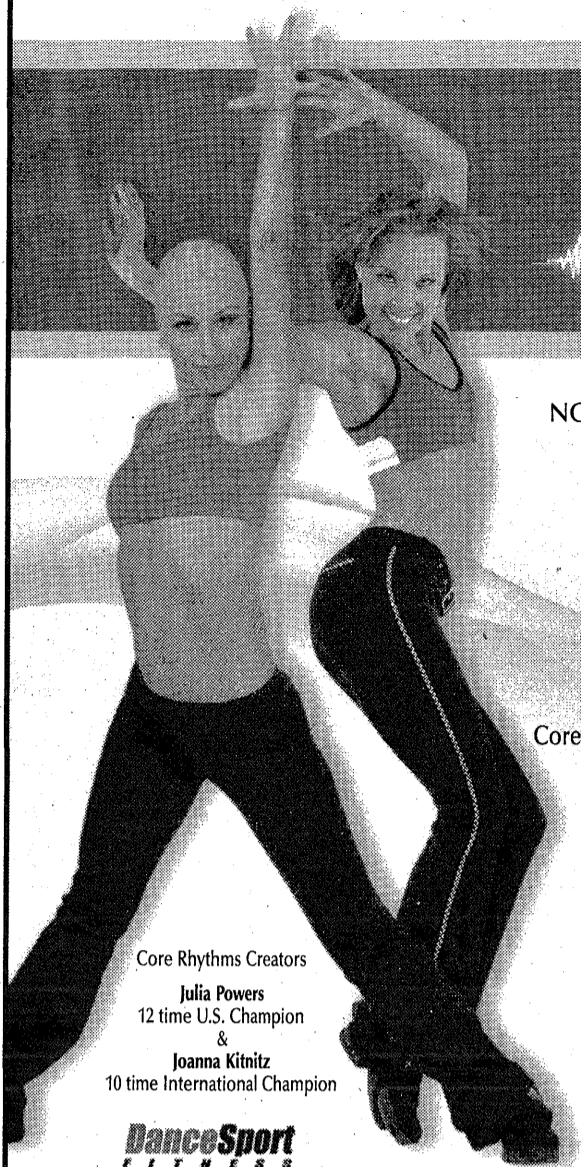
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Laura Jackson, 19, has been paralyzed and on a respirator since a cheerleading accident in 2003. She said voting to approve Proposal 2 is a pro-life action because it would give hope to people suffering from currently incurable diseases and injuries.

## Livonia woman goes to the air to support Prop 2

BY ALEX LUNDBERG  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A 19-year-old Livonia woman paralyzed in a high school sports accident is the centerpiece of a new ad urging the passage of Proposal 2 which would expand the availability of embryonic stem cells for use in experiments.

Laura Jackson is taking her plea to the citizens of Michigan directly by starring in a political advertisement, paid for by pro-Prop 2 advocacy group Cure Michigan, that went into rotation Friday night.

"Proposal 2 is important to Michigan and to people with illnesses and disabilities," she said in her parents' Livonia home. "Our first priority is to help the sick and this will give them a chance to have a normal life."

She said she had 14 years of a normal life before breaking her neck and becoming paralyzed in a cheerleading accident. Many children born with congenital defects

and genetic diseases don't get a window of normalcy. Allowing the research, pursuing the cures, she said, gives a chance at a normal life to people who currently have no hope for that.

What the proposal does, she said, is open the door to research. Chemotherapy and transplant technique were results of the research process and embryonic stem cells could provide the key to helping to combat "hundreds or thousands of diseases." Without the research, she said, no one is being saved or helped.

"Currently, those embryos are being thrown away," Jackson said. "This is a pro-life stance. Proposal 2 gives hope to ill people."

Dave Doyle is the spokesman for MICAUSE, the organization that is opposing Prop 2. He said the slogan, "Prop 2 goes too far" is apt because it will tie the legislature's hands forever.

"Whether people vote yes or no, embryonic stem cell

research will continue to be legal in Michigan," he said. "But if you vote yes, it will take off all regulations and have the state constitution say the practice will never be regulated or discouraged. It goes too far."

He uses a line of thinking first espoused by Kalamazoo State Sen. Tom George, an anesthesiologist, who said enough isn't known about anything when it's first debuted. More than 50 years ago the first kidney transplants were performed and everyone was happy about that. Now there are laws that prevent sales of organs, a law that calls for HIV tests on donated organs and even laws pertaining to situations where children may donate — all issues that weren't considered when the research first took place.

"If Prop 2 passes, we'll never be able to say anything about any stem cell research," he said.

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# Local seasonal stores say costumes selling well despite poor economy

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Ghosts, monsters, goblins and the requisite princess or two.

Halloween season is in full swing and seasonal stores that cater to the candy-filled holiday have returned to Ford Road.

"People are still excited when they come in," said Halloween USA store manager Heather Gotshaw. "The economy doesn't seem to have any effect on Halloween."

The store, which sits across from Target, is open seven days a week and features Halloween-themed party supplies, tombstones, winged grim reapers, a possessed girl hanging from the ceiling and

dozens of costumes.

With songs such as "Ghostbusters" blaring throughout the store, Gotshaw said she and a staff worked overtime to prepare the store for its opening last month.

"We normally have two months to set up but this year, we only had one week," she said, chuckling about the around-the-clock work that was needed to set up accessories and wigs. "Favorites this year have been Indiana Jones, Master Chief from Halo 3 and Hannah Montana. High School Musical costumes are also popular."

East of Halloween USA across the street from IKEA sits Halloween Bazaar.

The store, which has an oversized gargoyle guarding its

exterior, features a wide selection of colorful wigs and props and has costumes with names such as 'Desert Commando,' 'Pink Punk Pirate,' 'Dragon Geisha,' and 'Velvet Big Daddy.'

"We like to give customers the total Halloween experience and I think we are suc-

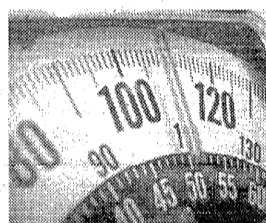
ceeding to a great extent," said Halloween Bazaar spokesperson Douglas Buda, adding that over the past decade the holiday has become just as much fun for adults as children. "It definitely hits every age group."

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According to Kelly, Doyle's defense claimed Chris Bohm did not have signs of visible intoxication and that Spolsky paid the bar tab.

"If the injured party contributes to the intoxicated party's level of intoxication he cannot file a lawsuit," said Kelly, who said there were defense witnesses who claimed Spolsky gave Chris Bohm money while leaving the bar. "The jury didn't believe that. This award should send a message to every bar, restaurant or any other server of alcohol that the laws prohibiting the sale of alcohol to visibly intoxicated customers will be enforced by jurors."

Spolsky, a 1996 graduate of Catholic Central High School, recently graduated from Army Ranger School. He was on leave prior to being reassigned by the Air Force to serve in Iraq.

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# Selling investments for a tax loss is good strategy, but be careful



Money Matters  
Rick Bloom

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when you sell, in addition to the market losses, you will also have to pay a 5-percent penalty to the fund. If you buy an A-Share Fund, you will pay an upfront commission to your salesperson. Considering the back-end penalties associated with B-Share Funds and the upfront commission on A-Share Funds, any tax benefit you would receive is more than

offset by the additional fees and costs. I would not recommend this transaction.

As to your financial salesperson, it is always important to remember he/she works for you. Asking questions about fees and costs is something investors should feel comfortable in doing. I believe you have an obligation to ask the question. Good investors should

always know what an investment costs to buy, sell and hold.

If you are uncomfortable talking to your salesperson about costs and fees, it is an indication that you need a new adviser.

The strategy of selling investments for tax losses is something many investors will be doing this year. What many investors want to do

is to sell an investment with a loss so they can recognize the loss for tax purposes and then to turn around and rebuy that same investment. Although this may make sense, be careful you do not violate tax laws.

According to the wash/sales rules, if you sell an investment that has a loss, in order to deduct the loss you cannot buy back that investment within 30 days.

There is, however, a loophole. Although you cannot buy the same investment back, you can buy back a similar investment. If you have a loss in a large cap value fund you can sell that fund and immediately turn around and buy another large cap value fund. This transaction does not violate the wash/sales rules. If you are worried about selling an investment and don't want to be out of the market, you can turn around and buy a similar investment and still recognize the loss for tax purposes.

I am not a fan of B-Share Mutual Funds. One reason is the cost. In a typical B-Share Mutual Fund, if you sell within a five-year period you pay a penalty. Many brokers and financial salespeople love B-Share Mutual Funds because they receive higher fees and commissions when they sell these funds. The downside, particularly in markets like this, is if you want to sell the fund to recognize the tax loss, you have to pay the extra penalty to the mutual fund company.

With the recent carnage on Wall Street, people are asking about tax/loss selling. It is a strategy that may make sense for some people. Of course, it is always important to recognize that when it comes to taxes, it all depends upon your individual situation. The key is how you deduct losses on your tax return. If you have losses on investments that you have sold, you can first use those losses to offset gains that you have for the year. These gains can be from the sale of securities throughout the year or capital gain distributions from your mutual funds. If after offsetting your gains you still have losses, you can then deduct up to \$3,000 of those additional losses against your other income. If you still have additional losses, you can carry those over to previous years.

For example, if you had \$10,000 in losses and \$5,000 in gain, your net tax effect would be to deduct \$3,000 in losses from your current year tax return and carry over an additional \$2,000 in losses to your 2009 tax return.

One caveat with regards to tax/loss selling. The markets are very volatile and unpredictable. We all saw what happened a couple of weeks ago when the market soared by over 10 percent in day. You certainly don't want to be out of the market when we have days like that. My advice if you are going to do tax/loss selling is to wait a while until markets are more stable.

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

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# Lawyer uses Nicaragua trip to boost justice efforts

BY JULIE BROWN  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Doctors are recognized for the life-saving treks they make to foreign lands, and deservedly so. Lawyers like Sue Carlson of Canton also travel to make life better for others.

Carlson, whose legal practice is in Livonia, went to Nicaragua the last week of August with Partners Worldwide, a Christian organization that partners business and professional people with their counterparts in developing countries.

"I had been in Nicaragua in 2001," said Carlson in a recent interview after Sunday services at her church, Geneva Presbyterian in Canton. She'd worked with Christian attorneys, and went to court in Nicaragua on that visit.

"We provide moral and prayer support, discuss their policies and give advice when asked," said Carlson, who found doors to government officials in Central and South American often open more easily to American professionals. The lawyers can get into prisons to talk to inmates.

"The judiciary is not a separate branch of the government," said Carlson, a 1979 graduate of the University of Michigan's law school. When the government changes, all judges from the Supreme Court down change as well, she pointed out.



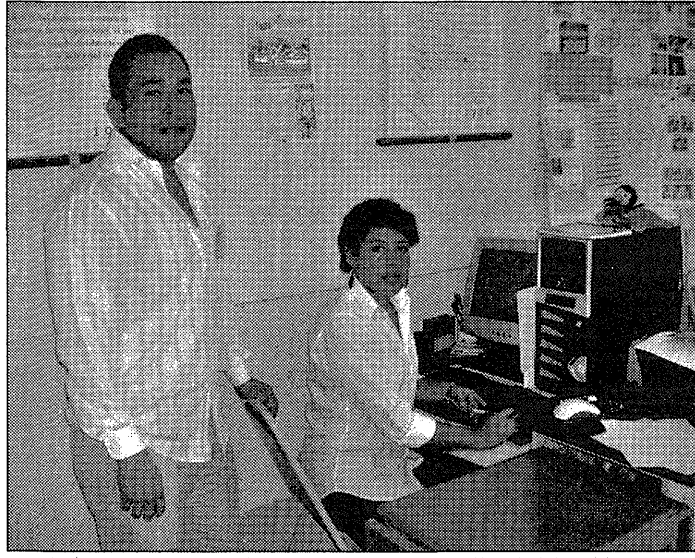
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Canton resident and attorney Sue Carlson spent a week in Nicaragua working with local lawyers.

Nicaragua has had a representative democracy since 1998 with its new constitution. "But they still don't have an independent judiciary," Carlson said. "The judges are more politically aligned than they are here."

Drug trade and some corruption are problems in Nicaragua, said Carlson, who noted court records aren't well maintained. Those accused are often immediately arrested without bail or investigation.

"False accusations have been common," she said, including such accusations as extortion or those involving personal disputes.



This is Bernabé Torres, a board member, and the organization office manager with one of the computers donated last year by Partners Worldwide.

People convicted of crimes even end up incarcerated longer than their sentence. "There's nobody following up to get them out," Carlson said. "They just languish in jail."

Carlson worked with the Christian Center for Human Rights in Nicaragua on this trip. Those pastors and Christian attorneys advise people of their rights under the new constitution, and also train paralegals.

"Christian attorneys volunteer their time to take on cases, to enforce rights under the law," Carlson said. She and other volunteers visited four of their offices to talk to staffers, "just forged friendships, brought them some office

equipment."

She's pleased with progress since her 2001 visit. Being a local volunteer attorney has become somewhat of a status symbol, which helps Nicaraguan justice efforts.

"The people do not trust the government, no matter what party is in power," said Carlson, who pointed out people are learning to trust the local volunteer lawyers, who operate out of 14 separate offices, many with a lawyer in charge at least part time.

The volunteer lawyers can also help with civil matters like divorce. The Nicaraguan Supreme Court had trained respected local people to mediate disputes; with gov-

ernment change that court membership was gone and the program dropped. Many mediators now work with the independent Christian group.

Carlson had two semesters of Spanish at Schoolcraft College, "but it's gone. I don't get a chance to use it," she said. There were translators to help, including an interpreter who was also a recent law school graduate.

Carlson said she'd probably go to Nicaragua again. She became involved through a lawyer friend in Grand Rapids. Carlson noted other groups that work on issues like infra-

structure in the country, and many volunteers are active in those efforts.

"There's a lot of overlapping," she said.

There were a lot of local women lawyers in Nicaragua, and although Carlson acknowledged the "macho" culture she also found women didn't face a lot of discrimination on the professional level.

"It was rewarding for me to see the progress CCDH (the Spanish acronym) has made" since her earlier visit, she said.

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## Scammers fishing for financial data

BY BRAD KADRICH  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

They're either not-so-smart criminals, or simply brazen, but scam artists are at work in the Plymouth area, and they aren't being particularly careful about whom they target.

Plymouth Township Police Chief Tom Tiderington was an intended target of the e-mail scammers — who sent the scam to his police department

e-mail address.

The scam is a familiar one — an e-mail allegedly from the IRS announcing the intended victim is eligible to receive a tax refund (Tiderington's was allegedly more than \$600). The e-mail directs the victim to the IRS Web site, then includes a link where the victim is asked to input financial information.

Tiderington said the scammers don't have to be all that

smart or any less brazen to be successful.

"If they put out, say, a couple of million of these e-mails, they only need to get a few to make it worthwhile," he said. "They walk away with ATM (PIN) numbers and all sorts of other information."

Tiderington said the scammers are targeting largely elderly recipients, but obviously they aren't the only subjects.

Anyone in financial need is a likely target.

"No reputable financial institution is going to ask for financial information in this manner," Tiderington said. "If you see this kind of e-mail, you should not respond."

Anyone thinking they're being scammed can report it to the police department at (734) 354-3232.

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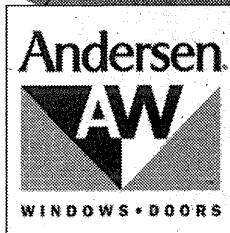
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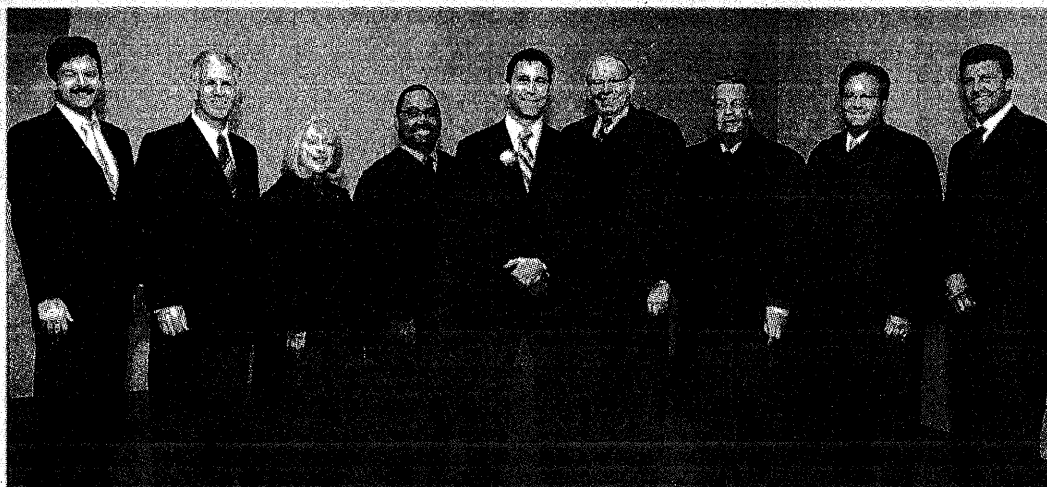


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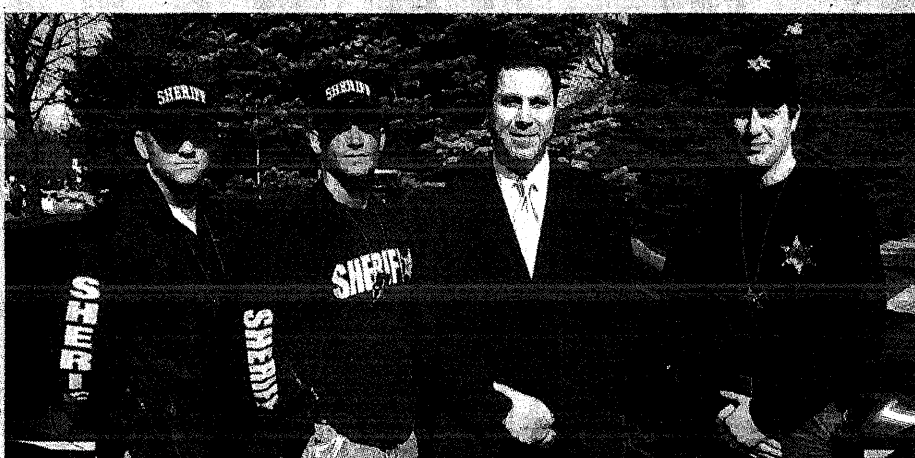


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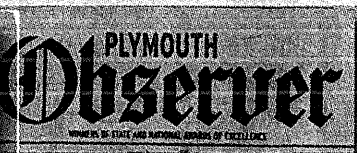


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OUR VIEWS

## What's in a day? Just look at this

With presidential campaigning now in overdrive, we decided to give readers a break from politics and endorsements.

To do so we must first ask: have you ever taken a close look at the days of the week? No, we're not talking about the Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday thing, but at things that happened on a specific day and date over the years.

Google "observances" and you'll find that there are more things to celebrate than there are days, weeks and months in a year, so many that at times observances overlap.

We did a bit of Web surfing and came up with a few things that have no connection to politics you can do this week, based on observances, birthdays and deaths that have occurred over the years, starting with today:

Pull out your pitch pipe, find the key of C and croon your own rendition of *Happy Birthday*. Feel free to add cha-cha-cha. Today New York Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, Wheel of Fortune host Pat Sajak and Charlie's Angels star Jaclyn Smith are 62 years old.

Stop by the Macy's store at Westland Shopping Center on Monday to see what a 150-year-old retailer looks like. The department store that puts on one heck of a Thanksgiving parade opened its door in New York City on Monday, Oct. 27, 1858.

Speaking of New York City, the venerable lady standing in New York harbor reaches a milestone on Tuesday. Just 122 years ago, on Oct. 28, 1886, the Statue of Liberty was dedicated by then President Grover Cleveland.

And while you're at it, do it with your fingers crossed on Wednesday. It's the 79th anniversary — if you could call it that — of the stock market crash (Oct. 29, 1929) and the start of the Great Depression. Considering the mood swings on the stock exchange these days, you should consider refraining from being near windows on the top floors of buildings on Wednesday.

Thursday is a sweet day for sure. It's National Candy Corn Day, so indulge yourself and buy some. And while eating, ponder this bit of trivia: Candy corn was created in the 1880s by George Renninger of the Wunderlee Candy Co.

And Friday ... Do we need to tell you what day it is? Do we need to tell you what you'll be doing in the evening? We're sure your children have reminded you many, many times in the past month that it's Halloween. But it's also the anniversary of the death of magician Harry Houdini. He died on Oct. 31, 1926, of peritonitis from a ruptured appendix at 1:26 p.m. in Room 401 at Detroit's Grace Hospital. The 52-year-old Houdini had been hospitalized following an Oct. 24 performance at the Garrick Theater in Detroit.

As we said, this was done to offer you a bit of respite from the politicking. Unfortunately, we now must return control of the air waves to the politicians.

### Endorses Corriveau

I want to thank you (and the *Detroit Free Press*) for endorsing Marc Corriveau for re-election to our state Legislature.

My wife and I were early supporters of his first campaign and attended a fundraiser for him. He is mature, knowledgeable, hard-working, responsible, able to negotiate and compromise.

Recently (Chili Fest Sunday) he was touring the neighborhood, passing out literature. He knocked on my door, wanted to discuss a letter I had sent to him regarding Proposition A and its negative effects on the housing market and the necessity to support legislation favoring Michigan businesses.

We sat on my front porch while 10,000 Harleys roared by (when they leave town via Penniman, they hit second gear in front of my house — deafening). Marc was unflappable and continued to discuss the issues. I had no idea he was going to stop by, so naturally I was dressed in my Sunday best — typical for a 70-year-old male. It's really quite a challenge to appear erudite in the presence of a government official when wearing a worn-out flannel shirt, cords and rotten tennies. Oh, well!

Marc's opponent, Jerry Vorva, is far too contentious, abrasive, radical and legislatively naive and unproductive to be given even cursory consideration for this position.

Marc Corriveau will continue to serve his constituents with honesty, consistent reliability, effectiveness and dedication.

Frederick J. Libbing  
Plymouth

### Change can happen

Another word for change is "to transform." We have an opportunity with this election "to transform" Plymouth Township officials' practices and mode of operation, that is back-room deal-making, purposely denying access to public buildings for candidate forums, selectively interpreting the Freedom of Information Act by denying or delaying releasing public information, creating a compensation commission to determine pay scales for Plymouth Township officials and selective enforcement of ordinances.

There is an urgent need for accountability to the citizens by elected officials. We need

to be informed of decisions being made that affect our lives. There are too many covert activities resulting in decisions being made for self interest not public interest.

Recently township officials denied the use of the Plymouth Township Hall, a public building, to the Chamber of Commerce and the League of Women Voters. These two groups were offering programs to inform citizens on the platforms of all candidates seeking your vote of confidence.

In another instance, a request was made by an opposing candidate in the primary election through the Freedom of Information Act for information on the settlement costs in the liability lawsuits against the township. The request was covertly denied by delaying the response. Thus, the information was kept from public review. Since that time, Steve Wilson of Channel 7 has requested the same information.

Did you know that Plymouth Township officials created a compensation commission to determine their pay scale previously and in the future. In addition, they also took the opportunity to hand-pick the members on this commission. In 2008 there was a 4 percent increase in salaries and in 2009 there will be a 5 percent increase in salaries. The salary scale granted was in the \$90,000 plus range.

For comparison, your state legislator salary was in the \$107,000 per year range. Sadly, many of our citizens will not receive a similar increase, and they may not even have a job. Considering the state of Michigan's economy, this

may be the time for an independent group to consider equitable salary compensation for elected officials.

On ordinance violations, there is indifference to legitimate complaints. When legitimate complaints are brought to the attention of officials, several citizens have been presented with a maze of obstacles to prevent further investigation and correction of the code violations spelled out in the code manual. The citizens are put in the position of having to prove to the respective officials that a violation exists. Is it not the responsibility of the township government to uphold the law by enforcing the ordinances? Caveat for you, the citizen; Beware of speaking up to the present officials. You may be singled out for scrutiny and you may even receive a citation.

It is time to vote for transparency,

honesty and integrity in elected officials. Consider new candidates who are willing to serve you and protect your interests. Check out independent candidates like Richard Sharland for treasurer and Don Schnettler for supervisor. Don't look at candidates with party affiliations,

look at candidates who think for themselves and who are looking out for your best interest.

Sonia Mayer  
Plymouth Township

### Abandoning Plymouth

I've lived in the Plymouth community since 1979. Both of my sons delivered the *Plymouth Observer* as kids, and I have held a subscription to the *Observer* most of my life here.

I was sad to see the *Plymouth Observer* move out of the community, but understood the need to cut costs. I was surprised to drive by the *Observer* office at Levan and I-96 last week to see the "For Sale" sign, but was relieved to see that the sign said the *Observer* was moving to another location in Livonia.

Then, a few days later, I read in my *Plymouth Observer* that the *Observer* offices will be moving out of Livonia to downtown Detroit! Wait a minute! I thought the *Observer* was a chain of HOMETOWN-based papers.

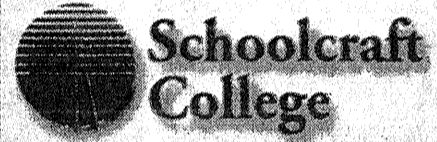
The *Observer* papers need to stay in the community. They are our local newspapers. We rely on them for news on the people and places in our community. I don't see how you can do that with an office in Detroit. The *Observer* should support the community it serves and be a part of the community it serves. How can the *Observer* stay local, and know what's happening in the community with their staff based in Detroit?

How do you put out a community paper from Lafayette and Third? I urge you to reconsider your move. Please stay in Livonia, or any of the other *Observer* communities. I'm sure there are plenty of vacant commercial offices available at reasonable rates.

Once you move out of the area, you will lose your connection with the communities you profess to serve and, in turn, lose your focus on being a hometown paper.

Denise Semion  
Plymouth

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## Canton surges into post-season, 49-3

BY ED WRIGHT  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

One year ago Friday night, Canton's football team was preparing for equipment turn-in.

Now the Chiefs appear equipped to possibly make a long run in the Division 1 playoffs.

What a difference a year — and another gear — can make.

Canton capped an explosive 8-1 regular season Friday night by steamrolling Salem, 49-3, in a

steady drizzle at the PCEP varsity stadium.

The Rocks' season ended with a frustrating 1-8 mark.

Last year's 5-4, no-playoffs campaign forced Canton coach Tim Baechler to redefine some off-the-field components of the program.

"It's gratifying to turn things around the way we did," said Baechler. "During the off-season, we talked to the kids a lot about character, about commitment to the weight room again and how they're not

entitled to anything here. It's nice to see that has paid off."

The on-the-field improvements were speed-related.

"This team's faster than last year's team — a lot faster," Baechler emphasized.

Which is something the Rocks discovered all too often Friday night.

Sparked by the running of senior Kiere Daniels (128 yards on 10 carries), the throwing of junior quarter-



Canton's Kiere Daniels, pictured in a game earlier this season, rushed for 128 yards on 10 carries in the Chiefs' 49-3 victory over Salem Friday night.

BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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## Sidelines

### Selection Sunday

Beginning at 6:30 p.m., FoxSportsNet Detroit's Mickey York and Ryan Field will host a 30-minute Michigan High School Athletic Association Selection Sunday Show to announce the 256 teams that have qualified for the state football playoffs.

Both Canton (8-1) and Plymouth (6-3) qualified for the post-season.

### Learn-to-Skate at Compuware

Compuware Arena will be offering a Learn-to-Skate program beginning the week of Oct. 28 through Dec. 20.

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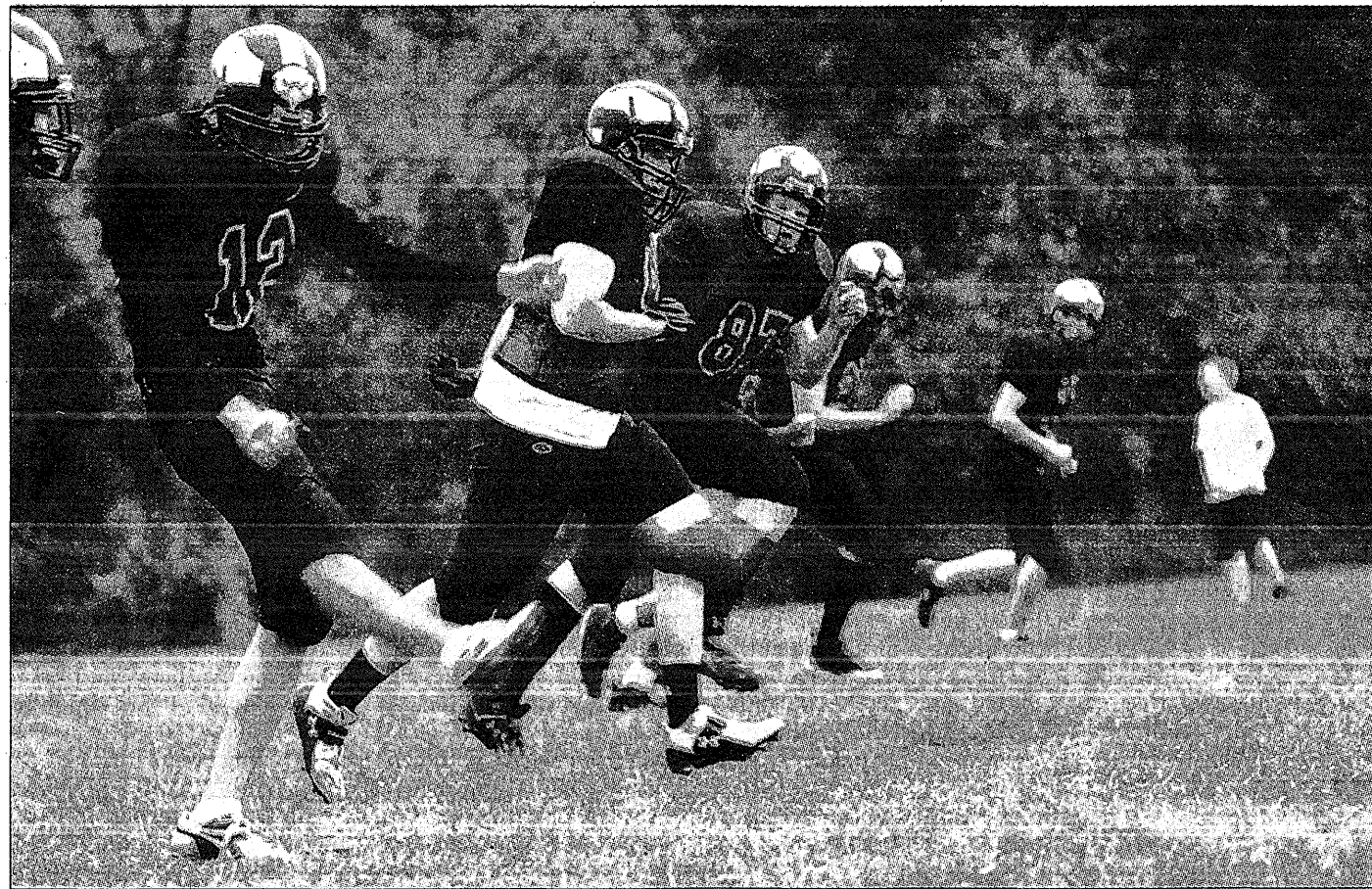
### Ignition sign three

The Detroit Ignition have agreed to terms with forward Mike Apple and midfielders Miodrag Djerisilo and Ryan Mack, the club announced Thursday.

Mack was the Ignition's third-leading scorer in the 2007-08 Major Indoor Soccer League regular season, tallying 66 points in 28 games.

Apple enters his eighth professional indoor soccer season this year, after spending the off-season representing the United States at the FIFA Futsal World Cup.

Djerisilo, an original member of the 2006-07 Ignition squad, spent last season in Orlando where he led the Sharks in scoring with 48 points.



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Spencer Ward (12) puts his foot into the ball during a Plymouth Christian Eagles' special-teams drill earlier this week. The Eagles are 5-2 in their inaugural Christian Football League of Michigan season.

## Romulus stuns 'Cat gridders

BY ED WRIGHT  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

All the momentum Plymouth's football team hoped to take into next week's state playoffs was left scattered on the Romulus High School football field Friday night.

The Wildcats were the victims of a stunning 30-27 upset at the hands of the Eagles, who lost a 22-0 halftime lead before bouncing back with a late, game-winning touchdown pass.

Plymouth (6-3) not only lost the game, but it probably forfeited any chance it had of hosting a first-round post-season contest next Friday night.

"We thought we could just show up and that they'd roll over for us," said Plymouth coach Mike Sawchuk. "We got too complacent. We didn't play well and I didn't do a very good job of coaching."

Romulus, which finished 4-5, upped its lead to 24-0 early in the third quarter when the Eagles sacked Wildcat quarterback Matt Skubik in the end zone.

Plymouth then roared back behind the inspired play of its defense and running back Terrance Guthridge to seize a 27-24 lead.

"Terrance was the man tonight," said Sawchuk. "He was one of only four or five guys who really played with heart tonight."

Guthridge rushed for 184 yards and all four Plymouth TDs. He also

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## OFF TO A FLYING START

### First-year Christian Football League team has eyes set on playoffs

BY ED WRIGHT  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth Christian football program faced the ultimate first-and-long situation in August.

With less than one week remaining before their inaugural game, the Eagles still didn't have pads or uniforms — and close to 80 percent of the players had never played football before.

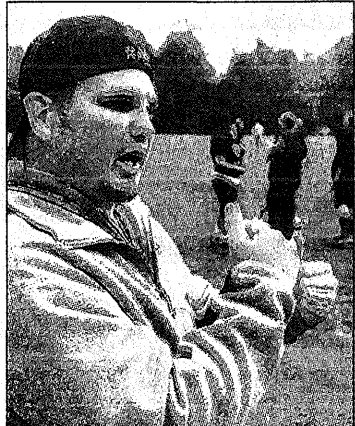
Never fear, perseverance is here. The program not only overcame its

early-existence adversity, but it is thriving, having compiled a 5-2 record that has clinched the Eagles a berth in the inaugural Christian Football League of Michigan playoffs.

The CFLM is a seven-team conference that is made up of non-Michigan High School Athletic Association teams that include players who are home-schooled, attend small schools that don't offer football and larger schools

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Chris Hare was named head coach of the Plymouth Christian program this past spring.

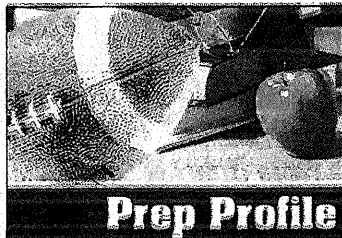


## Clinton's running talent anything but modest

BY ED WRIGHT  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Due to an admirable level of modesty that rivals his long-distance running ability, Kyle Clinton would never boast about how he's played a key role in turning Canton's boys cross country program into a perennial title contender.

Clinton would never brag about his contributions that — in addition to teammates Duncan Spitz and Zach Spreitzer — have helped elevate the Chiefs from dangerously close to the cellar of the Western Lakes Activities



### Prep Profile

Association to near the top of the Kensington Lakes Activities Association in four short years.

Canton cross country coach Bill Boyd, on the other hand, won't hesitate to rave about the senior captain's significant role in the program's ascension.

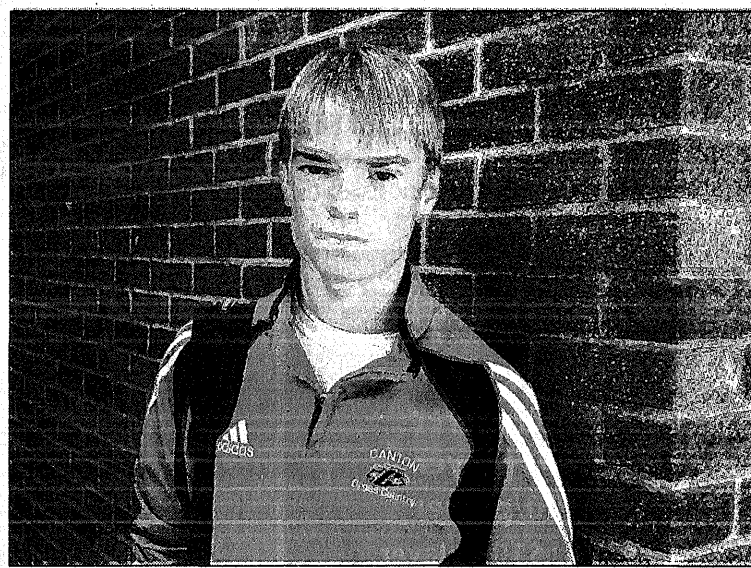
"When Kyle joined the team

as a freshman, the team was down, near rock bottom," said Boyd. "We finished ninth place at the (WLAA) league meet the year before he got here. He was clearly a huge part of our rebuilding process."

"Kyle is so confident and he works so hard that it's contagious to the other kids. He's a great leader, a great team guy during the season and when it comes to putting things together during the off-season. He'll definitely be missed next year."

Clinton's list of accomplish-

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Kyle Clinton has been an integral part of the Canton cross country team's resurgence the past four years.



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### Best in the long run

On Saturday, Oct. 18, the Our Lady of Good Counsel boys and girls cross country teams placed first and second, respectively, at the Catholic Youth Organization City Championship meet. Pictured are (front row from left) Ryan Prebenda, David Bindon, Matt Solarz, Rachel Kullen, Mandy McSween, Brianna Lax, (top row from left) Cole Forfinski, Mike McNally (assistant coach), Nathan Wilson, Sean Yanik, Lauren Walker, Laura Murphy, Ellen Grimes, Lydia Plencner, Mike McSween (head coach).

### CLINTON

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ments at Canton is nearly as long as the 5,000-meter courses he runs during meets. He's a two-time All-League representative, two-time All-Division runner and was voted the Chiefs' co-MVP last year along with Duncan Spitz.

Clinton's 16:33 clocking at last year's state meet was the fourth-fastest time ever for a Canton runner.

Clinton's stellar career took flight in seventh grade when he ran sprints for the Our Lady of Good Counsel track-and-field team along with current teammates Spitz and Zach Spreitzer.

"When I was in eighth grade, they added cross country at OLG and I tried it

because I figured it would help me in the sprints during track season," Clinton recalled. "I ended up taking a liking to long-distance running, and I've done it ever since."

Excelling in cross country requires a year-round dedication to the sport, Clinton said.

"It's tough sometimes because you have to train throughout the summer," added Clinton, who estimated he runs close to 50 miles a week during June, July and August. "You have to run even though you'd rather be hanging out with your friends. But it all pays off in the end."

Clinton, who has compiled a stellar 3.9 grade-point average at Canton, has applied to both the University of Michigan and Michigan State University.

"If I attend either one of those schools, I don't think I'll run cross country in college," he said. "But if I end up going to a smaller school, I'll keep my options open."

Clinton is one of two Clintons on the Chiefs' roster this season. His younger brother, Mitch, is an up-and-coming freshman.

"It's not as bad as I thought it would be," Clinton joked, when asked how he likes having a younger sibling on the team. "He's actually a big part of the team and we'll need him to come through if we're going to make it to the state meet."

"Having Mitch on the team actually motivates me to run faster because I don't want to get beat by him," he added.

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### CANTON

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back Kevin Delapaz (4-for-5 for 88 yards and two touchdowns) and a turnover-forcing defense (three picks, two fumble recoveries), the Chiefs surged to a 35-3 half-time lead and were never threatened thereafter.

Canton's lone punt of the night came in the fourth quarter while its first-string offense was on the bench.

"I give a lot of credit to Canton and how good they are," said Salem coach Parker Salowich. "They have a great scheme and great players."

"Unfortunately, we didn't answer the bell tonight. It's disheartening because this is a great group of seniors. The disappointing thing is that a lot of our games came down to five or six plays that we didn't make. If we can eliminate some of those mistakes and let-downs next year, the wins should come."

The Chiefs outgained the Rocks, 343-180, in total yards.

"Our pass coverage was very good tonight," Baechler said. "We finally created some breaks and got some turnovers, but we're still

not tackling as well as we should be."

The Chiefs led 14-0 after one quarter thanks to a 33-yard TD run by Daniels just 1:03 into the contest, a 7-yard run by Davion Stackhouse and a pair of extra points from senior kicker Daniel Stoney, who nailed all seven PAT's he attempted.

Salem regained a slice of momentum early in the second quarter when Ethan Walsh split the uprights from 33 yards out to bring the Rocks to within 14-3.

Canton answered with a nine-play, 65-yard drive that was capped by Ron Gaudi's 2-yard plunge.

The Chiefs put the game on ice with a pair of TD's in the final minute of the first half.

The first came on a 28-yard Delapaz-to-Todd-Turfe connection with 55 ticks left before the intermission.

One play after Canton's Arron Boudreaux intercepted a Heath Parling pass and returned it to the Rock 20, Delapaz threaded a perfect spiral to Daniels, who made an over-the-shoulder grab in the corner of the end zone to expand the Chiefs' lead to 35-3 with 0:04 left.

Senior Nick Sweda

returned an interception 39 yards to paydirt two minutes into the second half to bump the Chiefs' advantage to 42-3.

Stackhouse put a lid on the scoring with a 9-yard TD run with 5:34 left in the third quarter.

Sweda enjoyed a memorable night, registering a pick and a fumble recovery while leading the team with 5.5 tackles.

"That was nice to see because nobody works harder than Nick," said Baechler. "Hopefully, it builds some confidence in him heading into the playoffs."

Canton junior fullback Adam Payter picked up 46 yards on six carries while Stackhouse finished with 39 on seven hauls.

Al Ibe led the Salem ground attack with 32 yards on three carries. Senior tailback Anthony Mullins was held to 31 yards on nine attempts.

Parling completed 5-of-13 passes for 74 yards.

Senior David Wilcox notched an interception and Kevin Wheelock recovered a fumble for the Chiefs.

Canton won the first-down battle, 17-9.

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### Thunder take tourney by storm

The All Saints Catholic School girls JV Thunder volleyball team won the St. Edith's JV Volleyball Tournament Oct. 18. The Thunder compiled a 7-3 pool-play record before ousting Our Lady of Victory in the semis and St. Edith's in the finals. Pictured (front row from left) are Hannah Stefanek, Sara, Soltis, Faith Ellis, Hadley McCausland, Taylor Smith, (back row from left) Coach Anne Ellis, eighth-grade helper Lauren McCausland, Brianna Risi, Alexys Krauss, Katie Birecki, Hannah Cohen, eighth-grade helper McKenna Fahlman and Hailey Hodgson.

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CHRISTIAN

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that do offer football.

In order to keep a Christian environment on each team, the CFLM has a "cap" for the number of players coming from outside the Christian environment.

"We do not want a situation where ungodliness is the standard that Christian kids have to fight off; it should be the other way around," a passage on the league's Web site states.

All players in the league must participate in weekly worship, according to the Web site.

Focus on the positives

The Eagles, who practice on a tree-framed field that sits just southeast of Plymouth Christian Academy, lack a home stadium, so they play all of their games on the road.

With no goalposts on their practice site, the Eagles use a softball-field backstop to practice field goals and extra points.

But considering how grateful they are just to be playing high school football, those are small inconveniences.

"This team has been a blessing for a lot of these kids," said Plymouth Christian coach Chris Hare. "The home-schooled players on the team, for instance, have never had an opportunity to play football anywhere. When (PCA Head of Schools) Dr. (David) Butler came back to Plymouth Christian, he said one of his goals was to start a football program (that competes in the Michigan High School Athletic Association), so we're using this as a stepping stone."

Jumping right in

It didn't take Hare long to get involved in the first-year project once he heard about it in March.

"I was at a crossroads in my life, I was going to school for church ministry, and I wanted to get involved in a Christian football program," said Hare, a long-time coach and board member with the South Lyon youth football program. "I heard about this, I prayed about it, and ended up meeting with Boyd Meyers, who's the president of the CFLM, and Bill Rider, who's the vice president."

"After I met with a group here at Plymouth Christian, I felt like it was the right fit. It's worked out really well. It's kind of ironic that I ended up here because I went through the interview process to be the head coach four years ago when they wanted to start a high school football program."

Multi-tasking is vital

Because the Eagles are not funded by Plymouth Christian or a school district, Hare's coaching duties are unique compared to the area's other high school coaches.

"Part of the time I'm coaching, part of the time I'm the trainer, part of the time I'm a driver — you have to do a little bit of everything," he said, smiling. "But it's all been working out well. It's all been worth it."

Slowly but surely, the team's roster started to piece together in the spring.

"One of the home-schooled young men on our team, Andrew Weaver, heard about this and he's always wanted to play football, so he and his dad would attend every one of our meetings," said Hare. "The Weavers knew a lot of people in this area, so they

MEET THE EAGLES

Following is the Plymouth Christian football team's roster. The high school each player attends is listed in parentheses.

- 5 - Matt Sauter (Canton)
7 - Jordan Allen (PCA)
9 - Doug Malcolm (Wayne Memorial)
11 - Tim Pugh (Henry Ford)
12 - Spencer Wiard (PCA)
17 - J.R. Hope (PCA)
21 - Andrew Weaver (home-schooled)
22 - Josh Lowman (PCA)
23 - Mike Sebastian (home-schooled)
28 - Rich Truhn (PCA)
36 - Brian Beach (South Lyon East)
37 - Zachary Hare (South Lyon East)
41 - Jordan Early-Pitts (Plymouth)
47 - Josh Allen (PCA)
53 - Frank Schroeder (South Lyon East)
64 - Jimmy Murray (Edsel Ford)
66 - Nathan Young (home-schooled)
69 - Kyle Winconek (Canton)
73 - Taylor Schuchard (home-schooled)
77 - Jared Pitts (Plymouth)
87 - Eric Jipping (PCA)
88 - Joe Greff (home-schooled)
90 - Blake Van Tiem (Canton)

Head coach - Chris Hare
Asst. coach - Rick Hare

helped us get a few players."

When May rolled around, the Eagles' roster was manned with seven players. They started lifting weights together and worked on fundamental football drills.

"When we only had seven kids in May, I was thinking, 'Oh, man, is this ever going to get off the ground?'" Hare remembered. "But then in June, once kids saw this team wasn't just the talk of the town — it was reality — more kids started to come out. We'd get two or three new ones every week. When we started doubles in August, we had 21 players. We ended up picking up a couple more before the season started."

In early September, Hare turned away several students from the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park who showed an interest in playing for the Eagles.

"I think it was a group of kids who thought they should be playing more for the teams over there, so they came over here to try and play, but the season had already started, so I wanted nothing to do with it," he said. "I didn't want to have to turn kids away, but once registration starts for next year and they want to come out and do things the right way, I have no problem taking them."

Thin budget

While the Eagles are soaring on the field, the financial aspect of the program is a day-to-day struggle, Hare said.

"Money-wise, it's tight," he said. "We had a family (the Jippings) donate tackling dummies, shields and some other equipment, but we still don't have blocking sleds, head-sets and other things. I'd love to have the sky cameras and all the stuff the big schools have, but we had to get the things that make the kids better now."

"We could sit down and break down video until we're blue in the face, but actually getting out here on the field and doing it is what they

really need."

Several factors seem to point to a bright future ahead for the Eagles. The league is expected to double in size next year, Hare noted, and there's a plan in the works that would equip the team's practice field with bleachers so that it can host home games.

Defying the odds

Despite their vast inexperience, the Eagles have flourished on the field. Employing a run-first offense, they have churned out more than 300 rushing yards per contest thanks to an offensive line that averages approximately 220 pounds per man.

"We started running the double-tight, double-wing offense, which is a great

offense for teams that don't have a ton of talent yet, but have to compete right away," said Hare. "It was a real easy offense for the kids to pick up fast."

"We stayed double-tight, double-wing for the first four or five games, but the last couple of weeks we've been spreading it out a little bit more. Next year, I want us to be a full-out spread team. It's a fun offense and the kids like throwing the deep passes."

For information on playing for the Eagles beginning next season, contact Hare at (248) 767-3911.

For more information on the Christian Football League of Michigan, visit www.cflmi.com.

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2008

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a GENERAL ELECTION will be held in the City of Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan, on Tuesday, November 4, 2008 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of selecting persons to fill the following elective offices:

PARTISAN SECTION

Presidential: PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

Congressional: UNITED STATES SENATOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS 11th DISTRICT

Legislative: REPRESENTATIVE IN STATE LEGISLATURE 20th DISTRICT

State Boards: MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION REGENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN TRUSTEE OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY GOVERNOR OF WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY

County: PROSECUTING ATTORNEY SHERIFF COUNTY CLERK COUNTY TREASURER REGISTER OF DEEDS COUNTY COMMISSIONER 10th DISTRICT

NONPARTISAN SECTION

Judicial: JUSTICE OF SUPREME COURT JUDGE OF COURT OF APPEALS 1st DISTRICT - INCUMBENT JUDGE OF CIRCUIT COURT 3rd CIRCUIT - INCUMBENT JUDGE OF CIRCUIT COURT 3rd - NON-INCUMBENT JUDGE OF CIRCUIT COURT 3rd - INCUMBENT JUDGE OF PROBATE COURT - INCUMBENT JUDGE OF DISTRICT COURT, 35th DISTRICT-NON-INCUMBENT

District Library: DISTRICT LIBRARY BOARD MEMBER

PROPOSAL SECTION

PROPOSAL 08-1

A LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVE TO PERMIT THE USE AND CULTIVATION OF MARIJUANA FOR SPECIFIED MEDICAL CONDITIONS

The proposed law would:

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Should this proposal be adopted?

YES NO

PROPOSAL 08-2

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO ADDRESS HUMAN EMBRYO AND HUMAN EMBRYONIC STEM CELL RESEARCH IN MICHIGAN

The proposed constitutional amendment would:

Expand use of human embryos for any research permitted under federal law subject to the following limits: the embryos - Are created for fertility treatment purposes; Are not suitable for implantation or are in excess of clinical needs; Would be discarded unless used for research; Were donated by the person seeking fertility treatment. Provide that stem cells cannot be taken from human embryos more than 14 days after cell division begins. Prohibit any person from selling or purchasing human embryos for stem cell research. Prohibit state and local laws that prevent, restrict or discourage stem cell research, future therapies and cures.

Should this proposal be adopted?

YES NO

Applications for Absent Voter Ballots may be requested from the office of the City Clerk, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170. The telephone number to call for any questions is 734-453-1234, ext. 225 or 234.

Absent Voter Ballots will be issued to qualified absentee voters in person, after appropriate application, at the Clerk's Office from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 1, 2008. On Monday, November 3rd, 2008, voters shall be issued their ballots and vote them in the Clerk's Office until 4:30 p.m. Emergency Absent Voter Ballots can be applied for on Election Day, if the applicant meets the State Law requirements.

All City Polling Places are handicapped accessible and the location is as follows:

PRECINCT #1, #2, #3 & #4 PLYMOUTH CULTURAL CENTER 525 FARMER STREET

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LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC City Clerk

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KLAA-KENSINGTON CONFERENCE GIRLS SWIM CROSSOVER TRI-MEET

Oct. 23 at Salem TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Salem, 274.5 points; 2. Livonia Churchill, 194.5; 3. Livonia Franklin, 177.

EVENT RESULTS

200-yard medley relay: 1. Salem (Whitney Aumiller, Lauren Seroka, Emily Bair, Emily Nelson), 1:58.04; 2. Franklin, 2:02.8; 3. Salem, 2:10.94. 200 freestyle: 1. Kayla Douglas (LF), 2:03.81; 2. Samantha Reid (LC), 2:07.24; 3. Irene Li (S), 2:07.25. 200 individual medley: 1. Nelson (S), 2:22.97; 2. Colleen Anthony (LF), 2:35.09; 3. Ashley Micek (S), 2:36.4. 50 freestyle: 1. Aumiller (S), 26.14; 2. Jordan Haymour (LF), 29.0; 3. Alexis Thornbury (S), 29.1. 1-meter diving: 1. Katie Koetting (S), 226.35

points; 2. Katina St. Pierre (S), 193.65; 3. Kailea Stancer (LC), 186.45. 100 butterfly: 1. Li (S), 1:06.12; 2. Kirsten Clemans (S), 1:10.71; 3. Marie Cross (S), 1:12.91. 100 freestyle: 1. Reid (LC), 57.87; 2. Kaitlyn Kozyn (LF), 58.04; 3. Natalie Cote (LF), 58.05. 500 freestyle: 1. Seroka (S), 5:17.64; 2. Brenna Shortal (S), 5:49.82; 3. Stephanie D'Annunzio (LC), 5:57.38. 200 freestyle relay: 1. Salem (Aumiller, Nelson, Bair, Seroka), 1:44.51; 2. Franklin, 1:46.94; 3. Churchill, 1:54.33. 100 backstroke: 1. Haymour (LF), 1:07.17; 2. Amanda Price (S), 1:09.55; 3. Clemans (S), 1:14.85. 100 backstroke: 1. Sara Spala (S), 1:16.5; 2. Micek (S), 1:21.43; 3. Natalie Hiser (LC), 1:25.35. 400 freestyle relay: 1. Franklin (Anthony, Kozyn, Cote, Douglas), 4:00.26; 2. Salem, 4:13.01; 3. Churchill, 4:14.44.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH LEGAL NOTICE GENERAL ELECTION - TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 04, 2008

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President and Vice-President of the United States

CONGRESSIONAL

United States Senator Representative in Congress - 11th District

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Representative in State Legislature, 20th District

STATE BOARDS

Member of the State Board of Education-Vote for not more than 2 Regent of the University of Michigan-Vote for not more than 2 Trustee of Michigan State University-Vote for not more than 2 Governor of Wayne State University-Vote for not more than 2

COUNTY

Prosecuting Attorney Sheriff County Clerk County Treasurer Register of Deeds County Commissioner, 10th District

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP

Supervisor-Vote for not more than 1 Clerk Treasurer-Vote for not more than 1 Trustees

NONPARTISAN SECTION - JUDICIAL

Justice of Supreme Court Judge of Court of Appeals-1st District-Incumbent Position-Vote for not more than 3 Judge of Circuit Court-3rd Circuit-Incumbent Position-Vote for not more than 18 Judge of Circuit Court-3rd Circuit-Non-Incumbent Position-Vote for not more than 3 Judge of Circuit Court-3rd Circuit-Incumbent Position-Partial Term ending 01/01/2011 -Vote for not more than 2 Judge of Probate Court-Incumbent Position-Vote for not more than 3 Judge of District Court -35th District, Non-Incumbent Position-Vote for not more than 1

DISTRICT LIBRARY

District Library Board Member-Plymouth District Library-Vote for not more than 3

STATE PROPOSALS:

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Polling locations for the Charter Township of Plymouth are as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Precinct, School/Location, Address. Includes Precinct 1 (Farrand School, 41400 Greenbriar), Precinct 2 (Friendship Station, 42375 Schoolcraft Rd), Precinct 3 & 4 (Plymouth Twp Municipal Offices, 9955 N. Haggerty), Precinct 5 (Bird School, 220 N. Sheldon Rd), Precinct 6 (West Middle School, 44401 Ann Arbor Tr), Precinct 7 (Living Word Church, 46500 N. Territorial Rd), Precinct 8 (St. Kenneth's Catholic Church, 14951 Haggerty Rd), Precinct 9 (Church of the Nazarene, 45801 Ann Arbor Rd), Precinct 10 (Fiegl School, 39750 Joy Rd), Precinct 11 (First Baptist Church, 45000 N. Territorial Rd), Precinct 12 (Pioneer Middle School, 46081 Ann Arbor Rd), Precincts 13 & 16 (Risen Christ Lutheran Church, 46250 W. Ann Arbor Rd), Precinct 14 (Isbister School, 9300 Canton Center Rd), Precinct 15 (First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial Rd), Precinct 17 (NorthRidge Church, 49555 N. Territorial Rd)

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MARILYN MASSENGILL, CMC Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth

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PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN CITY HALL, 201 S. MAIN WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2008 7:00 PM (734) 453-1234

PUBLIC HEARING FOR PRELIMINARY PUD

PUD 08-03 100 S. Mill (Former Bathey Property) Planned Unit Development Preliminary Approval Zoned: PUD, Planned Unit Development Applicant: Trailhead Plymouth LLC

All interested persons are invited to attend.

In accordance with the Americans with disabilities Act, the City of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting/hearing, to individuals with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids or services may be made by writing or calling the following:

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**'CATS**  
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caught a 17-yard pass to push his total yards to 201. The Wildcats finished with just 251 yards as a team.

Guthridge's first score — an 8-yard run — came mid-way through the third quarter and brought Plymouth to within 24-7.

A short time later he sprinted 25 yards to paydirt to make it 24-14.

Guthridge capped his huge third quarter with a 4-yard run to bring the Wildcats to within 24-20.

Mid-way through the fourth

quarter, the senior speedster surged in from 15 yards out to put his team in front, 27-24.

However, Romulus converted a 10-yard scoring pass with approximately 2:30 left to win it.

"Just before their touchdown, they had a third-and-15 play," Sawchuk said. "Their quarterback threw up a prayer and we had three guys right there, but somehow the receiver came down with it. They scored on the next play on a fade."

Kelly Waite picked off a pass for the Wildcats.

Skubik finished 6-of-18 for 61 yards and two interceptions.

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**White's all right**

The Canton Soccer Club's girls U15 White team placed first at the Great Lakes Soccer Challenge in Naperville, Ill., last month. Pictured (top row from left) are Brienne Miller, Bridget Kassinger, Lauren Chipman, Stephanie Sheridan, Lexy Barman, Niki Gilo, Michelle Bellovary, Amanda Dalton, (front row from left) assistant coach/team manager Joe Sheridan, Kamary Miller, Annie Marshall, Ashley Meinick, Megan Peplinski, Gabby Malec, Kayla Berendt, Kerstin Hall, Tori Tripp and coach Pete Alexander.

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**Ocelot spikers upend Macomb in 4**

The Schoolcraft College women's volleyball team secured the 2008 Michigan Community College Athletic Association-Eastern Conference title last Tuesday night at home by upending Macomb CC, 25-17, 25-18, 26-28 and 25-22.

But the top-seeded Ocelots couldn't stand prosperity, losing in the first round of the MCCA playoffs Friday at Kalamazoo CC in an upset

to No. 4 seed Lansing CC of the Western Conference in five games, 21-25, 25-14, 23-25, 25-18, 15-2.

The Ocelots are now 30-7 overall, while Lansing is 19-13.

Schoolcraft finished 15-1 to win the Eastern Conference after beating Macomb earlier in week.

Leading the Ocelots' charge were Jen Brunink and Virginia Butler, who recorded 17 and 11 kills, respectively; Brittany Denter (43 assists and two aces); Jordan Kerr (20 digs and a 26-of-27 passing success rate; Kaitlyn Litteral (five blocks) and Emily Bronkema

(four blocks). Butler also contributed 13 digs.

"This is a great win for our sophomores (Sarah Button, Hillary Colomina, Marissa Damon and Butler)," Schoolcraft coach Rich Lamb said. "With this being the last home game of their careers here at Schoolcraft, it is quite an exclamation point to everything they have done over the past two seasons."

"We changed our line-up around the first set and it really seemed to throw Macomb off of their game. Katie Williams started in the first set and had a strong serving performance at the beginning of the set. We were

able to use the momentum she provided to get the win."

Schoolcraft will continue to rely on its seniors and now focuses its attention on the NJCAA District E Tournament, Friday through Sunday, at Grand Rapids CC's Ford Fieldhouse.

"They finish their careers with a record of 59-23 (including 16-0 at home) and still have the opportunity to improve that with district tournament," Lamb said. "The four of them are a huge reason that we have been successful over the past two years and will continue to be a factor in our future success."

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# Canton hangs on to defuse John Glenn in 5 games

Westland John Glenn girls volleyball coach Julian Wargo used a boxing analogy to describe Thursday's KLAA-South Division match with visiting Canton on Senior Night.

"I knew we'd be playing with a lot of emotion," he said. "I just didn't know how long we could sustain. This was like two boxers slugging away at each other - each of us delivered a lot of blows, but neither one of us was willing to go down and stay down."

Canton got the decision in five games - 25-19, 24-26, 25-23, 18-25, 15-8 - to improve to 28-5 overall and 8-2 in the KLAA-South.

Glenn now stands 17-12-7 overall and 5-5 in the division. "It was definitely an exciting match tonight," said Canton coach Jen Barnes. "Both sides made some great plays that kept the games tight. We're still working out some things in our new lineup. It's tough having changes this late in the season."

"At times we struggled with serve receive and overall we had way too many attacking errors. We had some great net play and our blocking has improved and is really helping out the defense."

The Chiefs received a spectacular effort from senior Gina Waite, who recorded a career-high 40 assists. Jordan Kietly (22 kills and 23 digs) and Kristen Muir (17 kills and 20 digs) turned in excellent all-around efforts while Alaina Turner chipped in with four blocks.

Senior Brittany Holbrook,

bound for Oakland University, had a big night for Glenn finishing with 19 kills, three solo blocks and a 29 digs. Halie Baker added 10 kills and two blocks, while Stacey Truskowski finished with 10 kills and 29 digs.

Other leaders for the Rockets included Brooke Zywick (37 digs) and Brittani Robinson (six kills, one block).

Glenn had five aces and 11 service errors in 74 attempts.

"I'm very proud of the way my players responded tonight," Wargo said. "Taking the second game was huge for us and the girls made the adjustments needed so that we were always in position to win games three and four. Our middles (Holbrook and Baker) kept Canton's defense hopping and our outsiders (Robinson, Truskowski and Jennifer Michalek) kept pounding away. Our defense was up to the task against Canton's big swingers."

Wargo said the key to Canton's win was serving in the final game.

"They had been serving well all night and number seven (Jordan Kietly) came up big with some tough serves when she needed to," the Glenn coach added.

## Wildcats tame Zebras

Plymouth made short work of Wayne Memorial Thursday night, winning 25-13, 25-15 and 25-8.

The sweep left the Wildcats with a 16-15-4 overall record and 5-5 mark in the KLAA South Division.

Dani Risi notched 12 kills

for the winners while Meg Quinlan registered five kills and four blocks.

Sophomore Alex Roberts, who was promoted from the junior varsity earlier in the day, recorded five kills. Other notable efforts came from Jenna Livingston (17 digs), Briana Beyer (16 digs) and Erin O'Connor (13 set assists).

## Rocks cage Lions

Salem earned a season-defining four-game triumph over South Lyon Tuesday night: 27-25, 25-15, 22-25, 25-17.

The victory improved the Rocks' to 7-2 in the KLAA Central Division.

Senior setter Jansan Falcusan continued her stellar play, tallying 47 assists, six kills, four aces and 12 digs.

"She is the total package," Suder said of her senior captain. "Her attacking and serving as a setter are the best I have ever seen."

Kelly MacDonald also had a big night for the winners, chalking up 18 kills and 20 digs.

"She is really coming through for us and being a leader," said Suder.

Nicole Merget dominated at the net for the Rocks, racking up 21 kills and two blocks.

Other key contributors for Salem were Kerry MacDonald (career-high 34 digs), and Katie Janda, who played solid defense while recording 10 digs and two aces.

"Tracy Whalen and Jillian Sommerville were also outstanding," said Suder. "I am

very pleased with the way we're playing as the regular season winds down. We're going into the post-season very nicely."

## Chargers block 'Cats

State-ranked Churchill knocked off Plymouth Tuesday night, 25-16, 25-20 and 25-22.

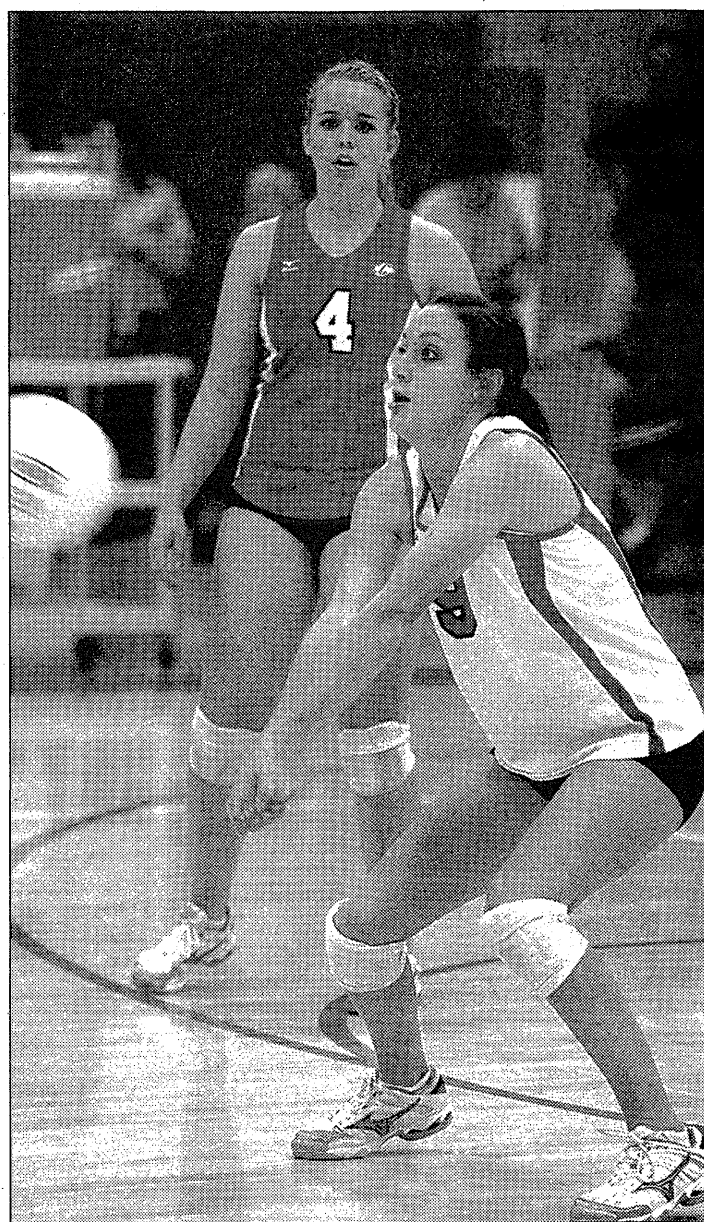
"We started the match very slow, allowing balls to drop defensively and making unforced errors at the net," said Plymouth coach Kelly McCausland. "We had an injury going into game two, but I am proud to say that my players did not use the new lineup as an excuse. Instead, they used it as an instrument for change. They came out playing competitive volleyball and went on an eight-point run, which sparked the intensity."

Defensively, Jenna Livingston sparked for the 'Cats, recording 14 digs. Briana Beyer added 10.

Meg Quinlan, Dani Risi, Kayla Bridge and Mandy McManus all recorded a team-high seven kills for Plymouth.

McCausland praised the Churchill program for an off-the-court effort. The Chargers raised \$700 for the family of Plymouth freshmen volleyball coach Kim Renzi, who is battling an advanced case of melanoma.

"On behalf of the Renzi family and the entire Wildcat family, I would like to give a special thanks to Mark Grenier and the entire Churchill program," McCausland said. "It was a true display of competitive compassion within the volleyball community."



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Canton's Kristen Muir, pictured during a match earlier this season, played well in the Chiefs' five-game victory over Westland John Glenn Thursday night. Pictured behind Muir is Shelby Anthony.

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Kim Renzi Invitational

The Kim Renzi Invitational volleyball tournament will be held Monday beginning at 3:30 p.m. in the Plymouth High School gymnasium.

Proceeds from the junior varsity tournament will go toward the family of Kim Renzi, who is battling an advanced case of melanoma.

Donations will be accepted at the door. If you cannot attend, but would like to contribute, send a check made out to "Honor Foundation" to: Honor Foundation, 19428 Gill Rd., Livonia, MI 48152.

For more information, visit [www.car-](http://www.car-)

[ingbridge.org/visit/kimrenzi](http://ingbridge.org/visit/kimrenzi).

### Canton Wrestling Club registration

Registration for the 2008-09 Canton Wrestling Club will be held Wednesday, Nov. 5, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in room 305 of the Canton High School North building (phase III).

All participants should bring three copies of their birth certificate to the registration.

The club is a member of the MMWA and MYWAY wrestling organizations. Last year's team included 27 state

qualifiers, 10 state placers and four state champions.

The season runs from Nov. 17 to March 29.

For more information, visit [www.chiefs-wrestling.com](http://www.chiefs-wrestling.com).

### Saberettes clinic

The Plymouth Saberettes are holding a kids clinic from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Nov. 15, in the Plymouth High School cafeteria.

The clinic, which costs \$38, is open to children in kindergarten through eighth grade. The cost includes a T-shirt, poms and a snack.

All children participating in the clinic will be invited to perform at the Saberette Variety Show on April 3 and a Plymouth varsity basketball game.

For more information, call Lisa Krahel at (734) 397-3005.

### Ignition tryouts

The Xtreme Soccer League's Detroit Ignition will hold open tryouts from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, at High Velocity Sports, which is located at 46245 Michigan Ave. in Canton.

The tryouts will give area talent and international players alike an opportunity to compete for a spot on the team's 2008-

09 roster.

Following the tryouts, a select group of participants will be asked to return to an invitation-only combine slated for Nov. 22 and 23 at High Velocity Sports.

To register or to get more information, contact Mark McNulty at (248) 304-2855, ext. 1264, or visit [www.detroitignition.com](http://www.detroitignition.com).

### Coach needed

The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools are seeking a wrestling coach at Central Middle School. Interested candidates should contact Mark LaPointe at (734) 416-6172.

# It's at Drake's Lanes: 'lights, camera, action'

While making my usual rounds of local bowling centers and seeking newsy items for my loyal readers, I attempted to enter the parking lot at Drake's Lanes in Farmington Hills where I was abruptly stopped before I could even seek a parking place.

The lot was completely filled with a variety of strange looking trucks, trailers and other vehicles. I was

then approached by a guy who I did not recognize. It was then I learned that Drake's Lanes was being used by a Hollywood movie production company to shoot scenes for a forthcoming movie.

I was not allowed to enter the premises, as a previously issued pass was required to gain entry. Even my newspaper

credentials would not get me in.

The title of the film is "Demoted," a comedy directed by James B. Rogers which features a bowling scene followed up with a serving of the city's best pizza (where it was filmed last Thursday).

Without giving away the story line too much, I can tell you the film's stars include Sean Astin, Michael Vartan, David Cross and Constance Zimmer, the latter whom plays the part of Elizabeth, their boss.

The scenario is that of a large tire store with the interplay of the tire salesmen, who constantly harasses the others. But the tormentor gets demoted to the job of secretary in a twist of events and then the fun begins.

Thus far, filming of this movie has occurred in Southfield, Milford, Ann Arbor and Farmington Hills.

Drakeshire proprietor Jerry Harris was there for the shoot and said, "It was a most

enlightening event." Jerry and his staff were able to make a brief appearance in the scene and that in itself adds a lot of class to the flick. This motion picture will be lots of great entertainment for bowlers and non-bowlers as well.

For more information, go to Google under *Demoted*.

No release date is available yet, so just watch the movie listings.

One of the bowling highlights of each year is the Pro Bowlers Tour which is coming to town Sunday Nov. 9 at Taylor Lanes with a new format and more pro-am opportunities.

Taylor Lanes is located at 24800 Eureka Road, one half mile west of Telegraph.

For more information, call (734) 946-9092.

Al Harrison is a resident of Southfield, and a member of the Bowling Writers Association of America and the Detroit Bowling Hall of Fame. He can be reached via e-mail at [tenpinalley710@yahoo.com](mailto:tenpinalley710@yahoo.com).

# Hartland puts big dent in Franklin's plans

BY BRAD EMONS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Livonia Franklin's football team's mission was to play on Halloween.

But the Patriots, needing six wins to make the state playoffs, were haunted by Hartland in Friday night's regular season finale, 31-6, leaving their postseason hopes to a computer point system.

Franklin made the playoffs last year as an at-large 5-4 team and won two rounds before being ousted, and will once again await word about its fate following Saturday's games.

"We've had four consecutive winning seasons, which hasn't

been done since the 70s and 80s - we've got a good football team," Franklin coach Chris Kelbert said. "We just got beat by a better team."

Hartland, 7-2, appears playoff ready after dismantling the host Patriots in virtually all phases of the game.

The Eagles scored on their first three possessions to take a 21-6 halftime lead as Kyle Summerfield scored on 12-yard run; following by a Chris Cagle-to-Matt Poches 24-yard pass, and a Cagle on a 1-yard run.

Two of the three TD drives came when the Eagles converted a fourth-and-one and a fourth-and-

11, along with a third-and-seven. They also got three points in the second half when they got a first down on fourth-and-two.

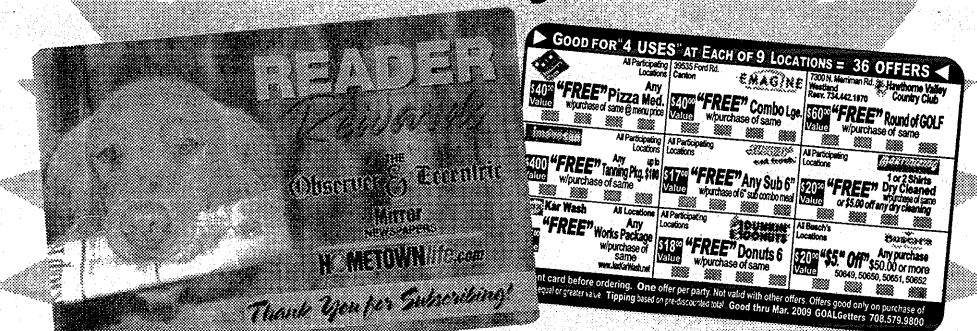
"Our offense has been that way all year, whether it's fourth-and-100, they feel they can convert," Hartland coach John Dukes said. "In their heads it's not an unimaginable down."

Franklin's offense sputtered after scoring on their first drive, a 12-play, 74-yard march resulting in a David Fortin 1-yard TD run.

"We got beat on both sides of the ball, and when we struggle, it's because of the physical play on both sides of the ball and that was the case tonight," Kelbert said.

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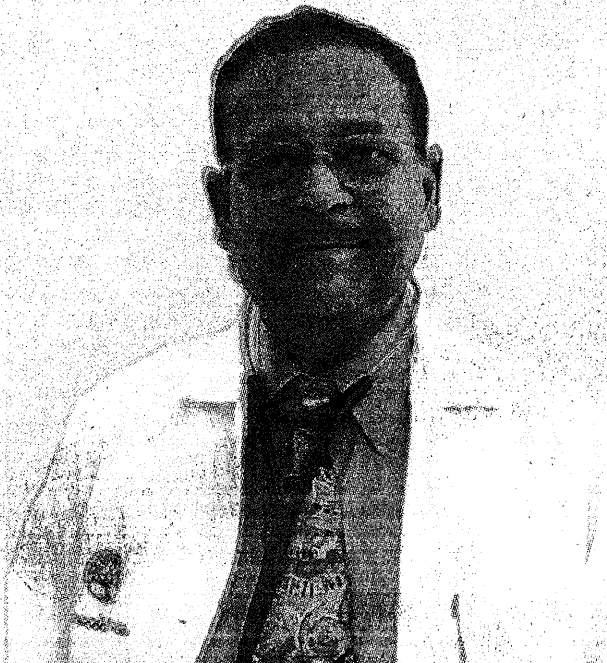
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## Leave mother nature alone

Last Sunday was a sad day. The fawn who visited our back yard all summer arrived unable to put any weight on one of its front legs. My sister and I didn't know what to do, so I called the Michigan Humane Society which was closed but directed us to local police.

One of our neighbors had already called and an officer was dispatched, but luckily the fawn escaped into the woods. I had no idea if you called police they come and shoot the injured animal. We wanted to help the fawn if possible.

A friend suggested we call Howell Nature Center where I reached Dr. Maxine Biwer, wildlife rehabilitation supervisor and a veterinarian. She said it was a good

sign the fawn was still with its mother and sibling. We hadn't seen them for nearly a week so the fawn had probably been unable to travel but was improving and getting around. Max, as she's known in the infirmary, said deer have a tremendous capacity for healing. A Department of Natural

Resources directive doesn't allow rehabilitation groups to help injured white-tailed deer at this time because of chronic wasting, a transmissible disease causing weight loss and death, but Max could offer advice. The goal at the Howell Nature Center is to rehabilitate then release wildlife whenever possible.

"Give them three or four weeks, a chance to heal," said Biwer. "The best thing to do is offer them a safe space where they have access to water and plants."

Don't let dogs bark obnoxiously or chase them and if you need advice, call the Howell Nature Center at (517) 548-5530 or a wildlife rehabilitation group.

"If at least they can move enough the mother's going to protect it. Tell them not to call police," said Biwer. "If it was a hawk or any other animal we are set up to take them in, just about any species of Michigan wildlife except bats and skunks because of rabies, and raccoons or pigeons. If there isn't actually anything we can do, we can at least give them advice or point them in the right direction."

Karen O'Connor is concerned about what will happen next spring when she receives calls from homeowners saying they've found a fawn. O'Connor specializes in rehabbing deer for Friends of Wildlife based in Ann Arbor. This year, she took in 21 fawns, but only 13 survived. She says fawns in spring are curled up in a natural position on the ground. Their mothers leave them in a safe place as not to attract predators and come to feed them three to four times a day, so leave the fawn alone.

"People find fawns all the time in the woods, near their homes, sometimes abandoned, sometimes not. Do not pick up a fawn unless you have seen its mother dead by the road, wherever, or if a fawn walks up to you kind of emaciated, eyes look a little sunk in, the coat is dull not shiny, or just cries all the time or if there's fecal matter on the fawn — because the doe keeps them immaculately clean," said O'Connor. "You can't feed a deer cow's milk. They're closest biologically to a goat. Without feeding them the formula the fawn's going to die."

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To reach Friends of Wildlife, call (734) 913-9843 or visit [www.friendsofwildlife.org](http://www.friendsofwildlife.org). The group rehabs all species of Michigan wildlife except bats and skunks.

Linda Ann Chomin is the health and community life reporter for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. She can be reached at (734) 953-2145 or by e-mail at [lchomin@hometownlife.com](mailto:lchomin@hometownlife.com).

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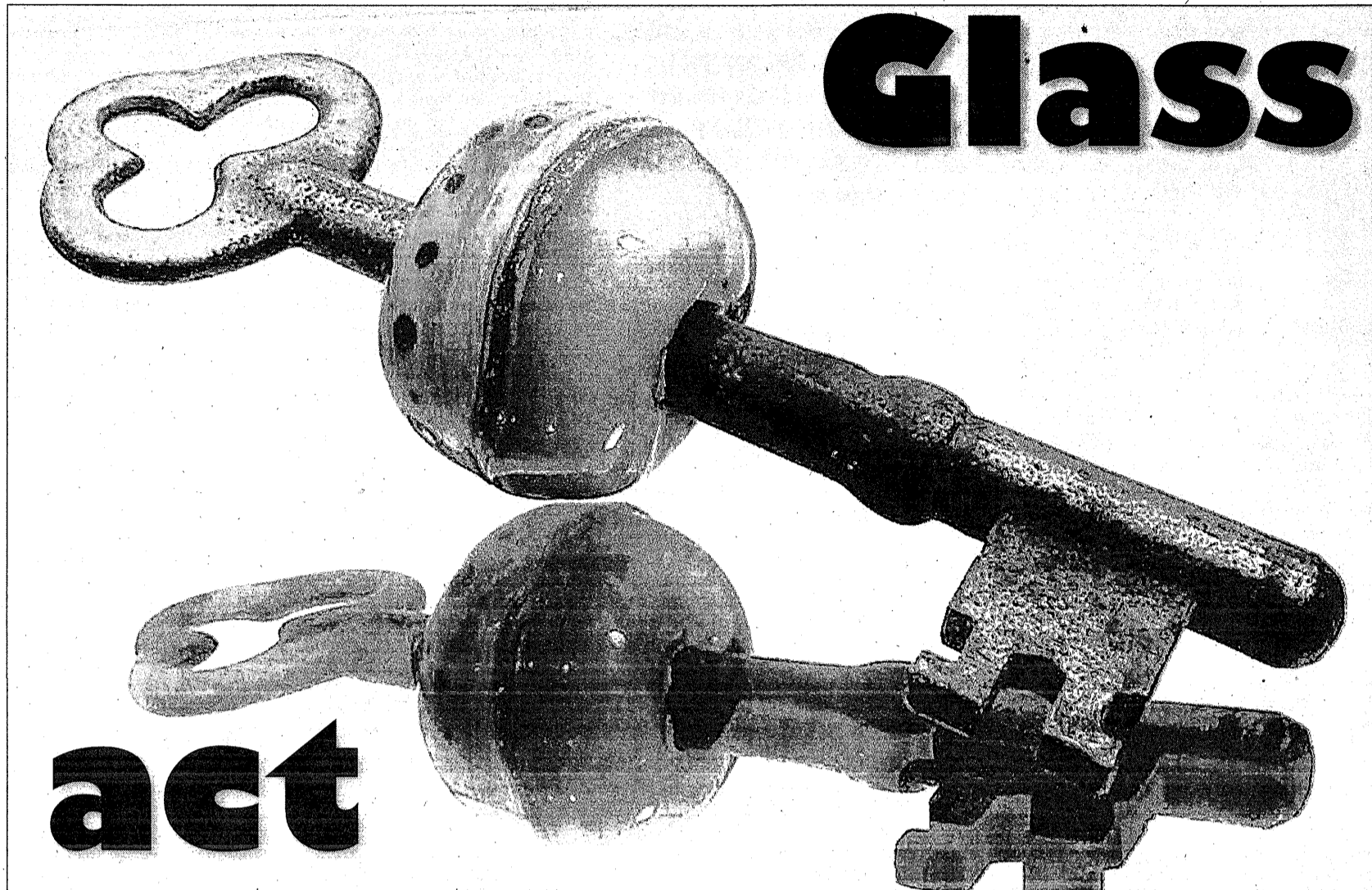
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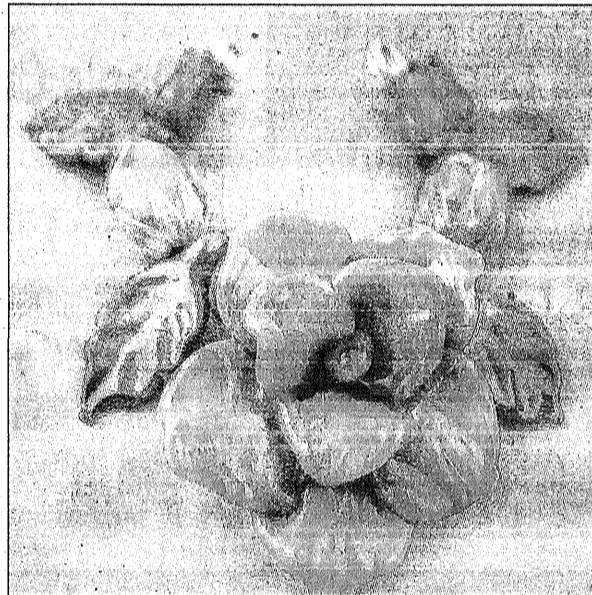
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Patsy LeBlanc of Livonia wraps glass beads around old skeleton keys.

## Holiday show sparkles

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
O&E STAFF WRITER



Bethany Adams of Canton makes glass beads into roses.

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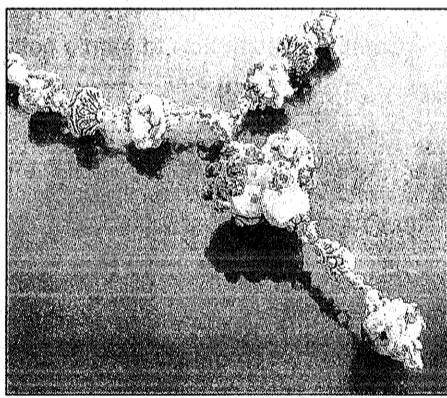
**What:** Holiday Glass Show presented by the Southeastern Michigan Glass Beadmakers Guild, includes demonstrations

**When:** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1

**Where:** Birmingham Unitarian Church, 38651 Woodward Ave. at Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills

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Cindi Brunell of Livonia likes to create floral beads. She used a variety of colored glass rods for this necklace.



The first time Patsy LeBlanc took a lamp working class on turning hot glass into art she hated it.

But that was 2002. Since then the Livonia woman has let her imagination run wild twisting glass rods over a torch. Along with creating beads in multiple colors for jewelry, LeBlanc wraps the molten wonders around old skeleton house keys she buys on eBay. On Saturday, Nov. 1, she and more than two dozen members of the Southeastern Michigan Glass Beadmakers Guild showcase their work at the Holiday Glass Show at Birmingham Unitarian Church in Bloomfield Hills.

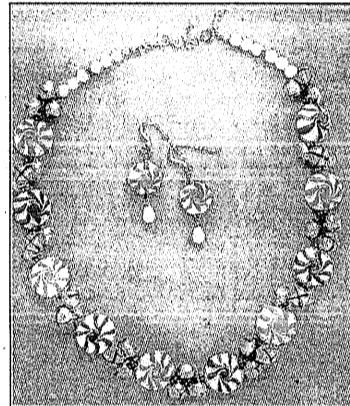
LeBlanc originally began working in stained glass in 1980 but eventually switched to lamp working which allows her creativity to sparkle. Artists can blend an infinite amount of colors over a flame to make a rainbow of beads.

"Six months after that class I started thinking I would really like to have this kind of a bead for this or that," said LeBlanc, who sells her work at [patsybeads.com](http://patsybeads.com). "I didn't realize there are no boundaries. You can make any size, shape, thickness. I could make flowers, animals, anything I could think of. I do a little bit of everything because I get bored."

Buyers won't be bored with the shapes, colors and sizes of LeBlanc's beads. Just in time for holiday gift giving she brings three-piece bead sets that could be used to make a necklace and pair of earrings, or a bracelet.

"Lamp working is miniature art, little pieces you can take along with you wherever," said LeBlanc, who grew up in Westland. "People are buying focal pieces, one piece of art glass and using it for a necklace. The keys are not my idea. I saw it posted on one of the forums. People seem to really like them. I've made them into flowers, a skeleton head, Santa Claus, Frankenstein. I make the bead on the actual key over the torch."

Bethany Adams never ceases to be amazed by the variety of art works created from glass. The Canton woman expects this year's show



Denise Billups Walker of Troy is one of the glass artists showing their work in the Southeastern Michigan Glass Beadmakers Guild show at Birmingham Unitarian Church on Nov. 1.

to spotlight everything from sculptures to jewelry, bowls, plates, wall hanging pieces, wine stopper tops, and pens in addition to beads. Adams and Joy Cichewicz are co-organizing the event which began in 2003. Adams has been making jewelry since age 15 but didn't turn to glass until 2000.

"Artists will be demonstrating glass torch work techniques throughout the day," said Adams who makes glass beads in the shape of roses ([gwaciebeads.com](http://gwaciebeads.com)). "I really like doing this show. We have food available. A lot of shoppers stay all day and don't have to leave when they get hungry. It's very good for gifts, but there will be loose beads for people who want to make their own jewelry."

Cindi Brunell fell in love with glass after seeing the medium at Art in the Park in Plymouth. The Livonia woman is president of Glass Act, the Southeastern Michigan Glass Beadmakers Guild. She took her first lamp working class four years ago.

"I saw beads that looked like marbles and it piqued my interest. When they used to have the glass workers in the mall I used to stand for hours and watch them," said Brunell, who creates florals in glass. "I use every color. The nice thing about glass you can use any color you want. It's like having the largest crayon box you can imagine."

"The range of work in the show is unbelievable. It's cool to see the many different things people do with the same medium. Joy does an animal type of design. People do very geometric and modern, and more traditional florals. I usually have an idea of what I want to work with. When I get on the torch it evolves into something totally different."

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## Internationally known pianist returns to open recital series

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
O&E STAFF WRITER

James Tocco knew from age 6 he wanted a career as a pianist. Over the years his dream came true. By age 12, Tocco was making his orchestral debut with the South Oakland Symphony. On Nov. 14, the Detroit native returns to Michigan for a recital at Schoolcraft College in Livonia after concertizing around the world.

Tocco performs about 50 times a year as an orchestral soloist, recitalist and chamber musician in addition to teaching piano at the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music and Manhattan School of Music in New York City. He's also the founder and artistic director of the Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival in Bloomfield Hills.

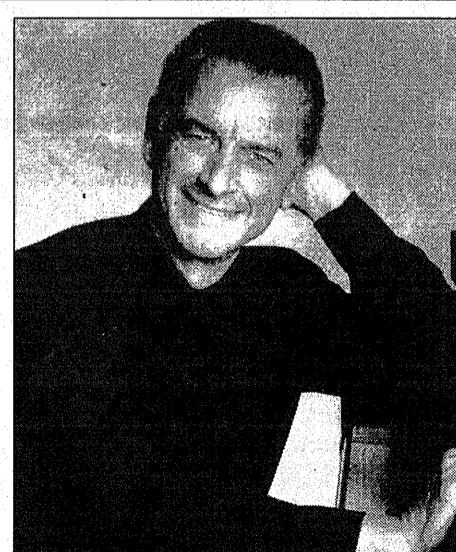
Tocco, who loved music as a child, now takes every opportunity to introduce audiences of all ages to the classics. The Nov. 14 recital is part of the Friday Evening Music Series at Schoolcraft College.

"My mother listened to music all the time, opera but also symphonic," said Tocco from his home in Cincinnati. "We went to Belle Isle, the Fairgrounds. We took every opportunity to hear good music. My mother played an old beat-up upright. A couple of my siblings had lessons with the neighborhood piano teacher. I was always playing the piano by ear. I can't ever remember not playing the piano. I was in first grade at St. Catherine's parochial school where a piano teacher came in once a week. She came into the class and asked if anyone wanted to take piano lessons. I remember my hand shooting up in the air."

### EUROPEAN STUDIES

Tocco went on to study piano on a scholarship to the Salzburg Mozarteum and a French government grant with Magda Tagliaferro in Paris. He completed his musical education with Claudio Arrau in New York and became internationally known

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Internationally known pianist James Tocco opens the Friday Evening Recital series on Nov. 14, at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

### FRIDAY EVENING RECITAL SERIES

**What:** Pianist James Tocco performs  
**When:** 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14

**Where:** ViStaTech Center Presentation Room at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile, Livonia

**Tickets:** \$20 adults, \$10 students, \$70 season pass for all four concerts. Call (734) 462-4403 or visit [www.schoolcraft.edu/foundation/events.asp](http://www.schoolcraft.edu/foundation/events.asp).



# Hot water tank company on a hot seat again

I received e-mail from Robert who is having a terrible time keeping the flame lit on his hot water tank. Before I show you his correspondence, let me tell you that I wrote about this problem and you saw the article here on April 24, 2008. I talked about the class action lawsuit filed against Whirlpool, American Hot Water Co., A.O. Smith Corp., and Lowe's HIW Inc. You can go to [www.waterheater-settlement.com](http://www.waterheater-settlement.com) to get more information on the suit itself.

May I point out to you that very few people know of this defective hot water heater issue and it is a shame that these manufacturing companies can get away with it.

Here's what Robert wrote to me: "In 2003 we had a plumber install a new A.O. Smith water heater. Within 18 months the water heater quit heating. We were told the electronic igniter system failed. We had it serviced with replacement of the igniter. The new igniter lasted only a few months before it began to fail. As a note, the system attempts to start three times and then locks out. The only solution was to

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clean the igniter, which I was doing on a weekly basis.

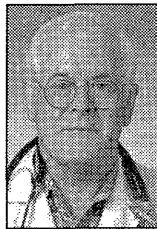
"I contacted A.O. Smith and they asked where the heater was installed. The heater is installed in a utility room with my furnace, well water tank and water softener. They blamed the moist salt laden air being sucked into the water heater and corroding the flame sensor. Please note the brine tank has a cover and is not open to the atmosphere and is only opened when being filled.

"After persisting with A.O. Smith they eventually replaced the 2003 water heater in 2005 with a newer version insuring me the igniter design will not fail. It is now 2008 and this last new

and improved water heater is doing the same thing and I am getting the same exact feed back from A.O. Smith as to the heater's location and the softener tank being the problem, not their igniter design. My feeling is that locating a hot water heater in a utility room where a water softener is located is not unusual in a house and A.O. Smith should have taken this into consideration in the design and testing of their heater. Have you heard of anything on A.O. Smith igniter system failures?"

Now folks, I spoke with a plumber and he tells me that there are millions of homes in the country with the same identical scenario as in Robert's house. I believe that Robert is getting a line of guff the same way that I did when I revealed to the American public a few years back that a defective dip tube problem existed in their hot water heaters. That action caused a class action lawsuit and some pretty big expenditure by all six hot water tank manufacturers in this country. For the rest of the story: Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can be heard at 8 a.m., Saturdays on WAAM 1600. His phone number is (734)971-1600, ext. 28. Do you have a question about an appliance or have a problem with one? E-mail it to [kabramcz@hometownlife.com](mailto:kabramcz@hometownlife.com) and it will be forwarded to Joe Gagnon.



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## GARDEN CALENDAR

**Metro Detroit Hosta Society**  
Andy Torvinen shows photos and offers descriptions of favorite hostas seen at American Hosta Society conventions, during the monthly meeting of the Metro Detroit chapter, 7 p.m., Monday, Oct. 27, at the First United Methodist Church of Birmingham, 1589 West Maple, Birmingham. There is a \$3 charge for guests. For more information call Bev Wolf at (248) 232-3079.

**Holiday greens**  
Register by Nov. 1 for Livonia Garden Club's Annual Fresh Greens Workshop, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 6 at the Livonia Senior Center, located at Five Mile and Farmington Road. Cost is \$24 to make a centerpiece using fresh pine, cedar and love apples. To register, send a check to Livonia Garden Club c/o Diane Bergendahl, 7841 Oak Knoll Drive, Northville MI 48168. No refunds will be given after Nov. 1. For more information, call (248) 486-9676 or

(734) 261-5091.  
**63rd Annual Greens Market**  
The Ann Arbor Branch of Woman's Farm & Garden Association plans its annual sale of fresh-cut Oregon greens, holiday wreaths, swags, forced bulbs and other arrangements from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4, at Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Road, Ann Arbor. The market also will include custom-made accessories, jewelry, clothing, toys and gifts; homemade baked goods; antiques and collectibles and decorative craft demonstrations at 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. The market is open only to members of Woman's Farm & Garden Association and Matthaei Botanical Gardens and Nichols Arboretum from 10 a.m.-noon. Doors open to the public at noon. No admission fee. Free valet parking will be available. Lunches from Afternoon Delight will be available for purchase. (734) 647-7600 or [www.annarborfarmandgarden.org](http://www.annarborfarmandgarden.org).

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# Shopping event to raise money for Polish programs

The Polish National Alliance District X Women's Division presents an afternoon of shopping and pampering just for women noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 2, at the Sgt. Romanowski VFW Hall, 28945 Joy Rd., east of Middlebelt, Westland.

message or pedicure. Shop for crafts and many other gift and home items. Included in the event will be a Polish boutique selling various items from Poland including crystal, pottery and many gift items.

Tickets are \$3 and available at the door. For more information, call Barb Martin at (734) 643-7780

or Gloria Platek at (734) 422-1731.

The money raised by the shopping afternoon goes to the November Presentation Ball to introduce students to society in an elegant event. Funds are also used throughout the year for a variety of activities, including Polish dance, to keep the culture alive.

# Keep pets safe this Halloween

Halloween can be a fun holiday for families and their pets but there are dangers lurking out there. Petland in Westland offers some advice for keeping the holiday safe for four-legged family members.

While the ghouls and goblins that come knocking on the door Halloween night are part of the fun, pets may feel differently. Strange and unusual sounds can scare dogs and cats. Keep your pet inside out of harm's way. If you plan to walk your pet outside on Halloween use a shorter than normal

leash to keep them away from costumed children and other pets. And make sure the pet is wearing an ID tag so they can be returned if they do manage to get away.

Use caution with candles and lit Jack o'Lanterns. Pets could knock over these items and burn themselves. Many Halloween decorations and candy wrappers can be dangerous for cats and dogs if swallowed or eaten so exercise caution.

Some pet owners love to dress up their dogs and cats all

year round. Never leave pets unattended while dressed up to avoid any harm. Make sure the costume fits well. Avoid using tight elastics like rubber bands that restrict blood flow and become tangled in fur.

Pet owners should not share any candy with their animal. Chocolate contains theobromine which can be fatal to pets.

Call your vet if they experience symptoms such as severe stomach pains, vomiting, diarrhea, labored breathing, and seizures after eating chocolate.

## PIANIST

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after winning first prize in the International ARD Competition in Munich.

Tocco likes to mix and match different centuries and traditions on his programs. The Schoolcraft College recital is no exception.

"I like to play the music I love and feel has something to communicate to the audience, something that will leave them with a sense of fulfillment," said Tocco. "Some is virtuoso music. People like to experience pianists playing music that is technically challenging, taking human effort to the maximum, kind of like the Olympics. Some music is

very contemplative and leads the audience to a meditative state to experience their innermost feelings."

## ENRICHING LIVES

Tocco is especially excited about the Friday Evening Recital Series which is much like the Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival in that it brings music to the community. The series is only in its second year unlike the festival, which just finished its 15th season. Tocco came up with the idea for the series of chamber music concerts in conjunction with his brother, the Rev. Anthony Tocco, pastor at Hugo of the Hills in Bloomfield Hills. Donald Morelock, chairman of the Schoolcraft College music department, created the concept for the recital series as a


way of expanding musical offerings to audiences in Wayne and Oakland counties.

"It's an enrichment of the human spirit. It makes people live more fully to be exposed to great art, music, theater," said Tocco. "We have plenty of entertainment everywhere, but there's a spiritual component, a part and parcel of great musical literature people need to be aware of to be more fully human so anything we can do to bring this into the community and offer it. A great community needs to provide a great variety of cultural experiences to its people. We had a terrific audience response last year and have a lot of friends in the area. I just enjoy getting out on stage and making music and feel I'm touching people and giving them such enjoyment."

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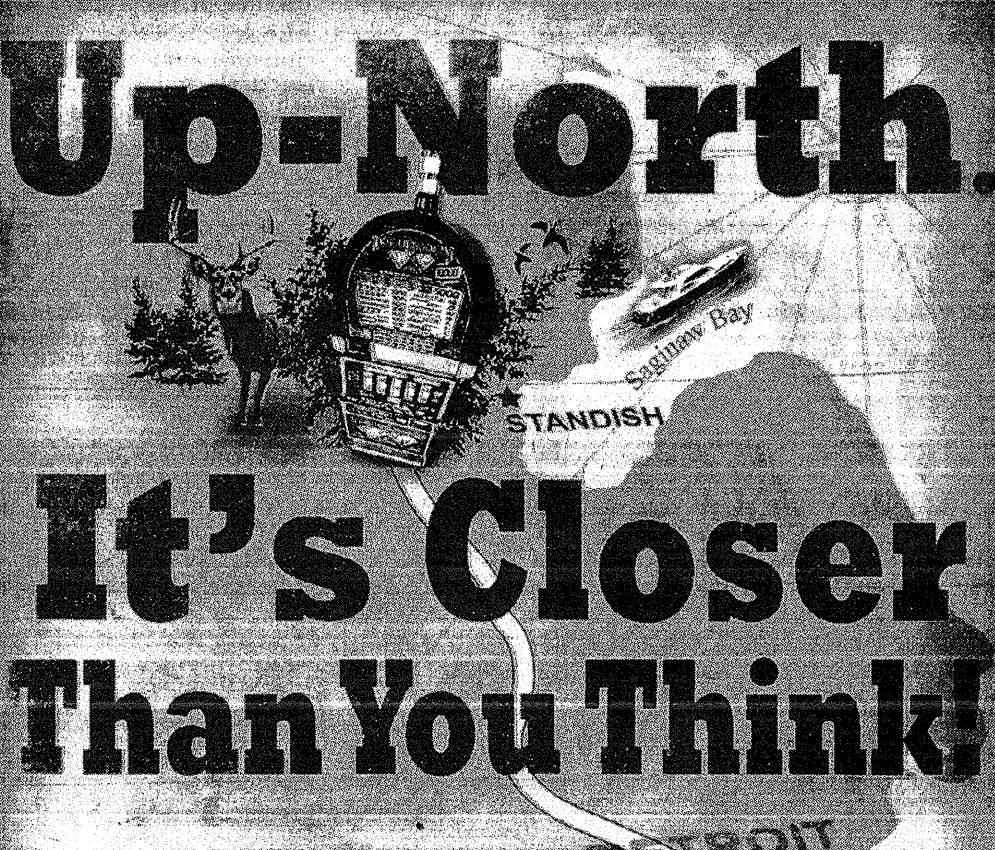
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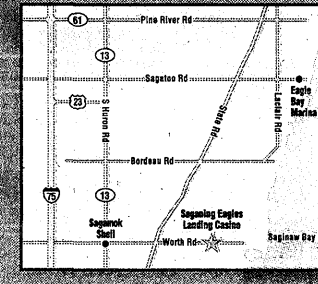
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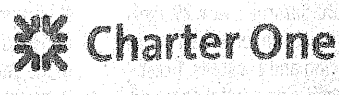
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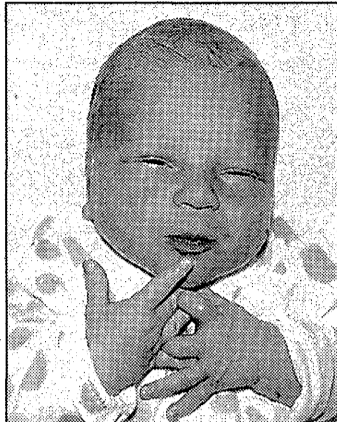
WEDDING

**Bryan-Silver**  
The Rev. Dr. Michael and Denise Bryan of Plymouth announce the marriage of their daughter, Laura Kathryn Bryan to Jonathan Merrill Silver of League City, Texas. He is the son of Barbara Beech-Nugent and the late Timothy Silver. The couple wed June 22, at First Baptist Church of Plymouth and entertained guests at a reception afterward at Northville Hills Golf Club.



by Ryan Shephard, Matthew Bryan, Daniel Bryan, Nick Boyd and Tyler Coker.  
The couple spent their honeymoon in Washington D.C. and have made their home in League City, Texas.

BIRTH



**Nicholas John Seale**  
Kevin and Christy Seale of Plymouth Township announce the birth of their son Nicholas John Seale. He was born Aug. 16, 2008 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. He joins Joseph Seale, age 2½. Grandparents are Robert and Carol Seale of Plymouth Township and Richard and Debbie Priebe of Plymouth Township.

# It's time to go nuts for Girl Scouts products

Everybody knows about Girl Scout cookies, but not about the Girl Scouts Fall Product Sale Program which features a variety of edible and practical items that make great gifts. Top quality whole cashews and extra-large chocolate covered raisins are among the sweet and salty treats available, priced from \$5 to \$18. Non-edible items include wall calendars featuring pictures of local Girl Scouts, magazine subscriptions and vouchers, and gifts of music and reading materials for military service members who are recovering from injuries. Participating Girls Scouts

are now taking orders and will be staffing booths at numerous locations Nov. 1-16. A complete list of items with prices and booth locations will be posted on the Web site [www.gsosmd.org](http://www.gsosmd.org) by Oct. 30. A minimum of \$1 per item goes to the troop treasuries and individual Girl Scouts earn incentives or "cashew cash" to spend on programs or at Council Shops. Additional proceeds benefit Council level endeavors including the Leadership Development Program, scholarships and financial assistance, camp development and

maintenance, support for the Equestrian Center and farm animals, membership, and volunteer training. Girl Scouts participating in the Fall Product Sale Program gain entrepreneurial experience as they set goals, practice decision-making, and serve the public. With quality products as a foundation, this hands-on economic leadership program helps Girl Scouts earn money for troop activities while developing skills that will serve them in school and in their future careers. For more information, call (313) 972-GIRL (4475).

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## Dog park organizers gather for 'FenceFest'

BY SHARON DARGAY  
O&E STAFF WRITER

If you've never celebrated a fence installation before, here's your chance.

The Royal Oak Animal Mission, (ROAM) a group of dedicated dog owners, present FenceFest, a fund-raiser to enclose the city's new dog park, from 6-9 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 28, at Sky Club, above Sangria Restaurant, 401 South Lafayette at Fourth, Royal Oak.

Admission is a minimum \$20 donation. The gathering will include appetizers, cash bar, 50/50 raffle and a "tin can" auction with such prizes as local restaurant certificates.

Margaret Whitfield, one of the organizers, said ROAM has netted about \$11,000 from various fund-raisers since it was created in February. She hopes FenceFest will generate the additional money needed to install fencing before the ground freezes this winter.

"We need about 150-200 people to come to the fund-raiser," she said. "Please come. We really need the support."

Fencing is just the first phase of construction at the Mark Twain Park, located on Campbell just south of 14 Mile, where the dog play area will be enclosed. The second phase will include parking and sidewalks and the third, benches, water and other amenities.

"The woods for the park is four acres and will not be fenced in. The large fenced area is approximately three acres," she said, adding that a smaller fenced area will be used for small dogs and senior citizen canines.

The park is located just south of Clawson and Troy, near Madison Heights and a few miles east of Birmingham. Whitfield hopes the fund-raiser will draw dog lovers from those bordering communities. They'll have access to the park after it is fenced, although the gate eventually will lock and be regulated by a pass system.

"The pass system has to be worked out with the city of Royal Oak. We're looking at a security system," Whitfield said. "Until we get it, it's totally open. Everyone is welcome."

Dog owners use the park now, although Whitfield pointed out that Campbell is a busy road.

"That's why the fence is so necessary."

FenceFest tickets are available at the door, through PayPal at [www.royaloakanimalmission.org](http://www.royaloakanimalmission.org) or at Shine, a store located on Washington, between Lincoln and Sixth in downtown Royal Oak.

Other Dog parks:  
West Bloomfield residents and their dogs can access the city's off-leash park at Karner Farm, 5911 Halstead, for \$20 annually. Register at the Parks

and Recreation Center in the Civic Complex, 4640 Walnut Lake Road. The three-acre park is fenced.

Orion Oaks Bark Park, operated by Oakland County, offers 14 fenced acres with benches, tables, water, restrooms, trash cans and more on Joslyn south of Clarkston Road, in Lake Orion. The site is a mix of wooded and field areas. There's also a diving dock for dogs into Lake Sixteen. An annual or daily Oakland County Parks pass is required for entry.

Visit [www.oakgov.com](http://www.oakgov.com) and click on parks for information about fees.

The Pleasant Ridge dog run is a half-mile long by 150 feet wide and includes benches and water. It's open to both residents and non-residents and located on Indiana, south of I-696 and east of Woodward. Register for park pass card and pay fees by calling the city at (248) 541-2900.

The Anne Fracassa Memorial Dog Park, at the end of Pauline, south of 12 Mile and west of Van Dyke, in Warren, is open to residents and non-residents.

The fenced-in area is 350-feet by about 150-feet and includes water, benches and some toys. Register for a park pass and pay fees at the city clerk's office, 29500 Van Dyke, in Warren. Or call the city at (586) 751-0168.

### REUNION CALENDAR

The Reunion Calendar runs Sundays in the newspaper as space allows, and online in its entirety at [www.hometownlife.com](http://www.hometownlife.com). Submit your reunion announcement at least two weeks in advance to Linda Chomin, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, Mich., 48150, or e-mail [lchomin@hometownlife.com](mailto:lchomin@hometownlife.com).

**Clarenceville High School 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](mailto:dianekap@comcast.net) for more information.

**Dearborn Fordson Class of 1969**

Planning a reunion. Please contact Kathy Nisun at (248) 363-5679 or e-mail: [kaynini@aol.com](mailto:kaynini@aol.com) or Kathy Shoebridge at [Klvingston@nu-core.com](mailto:Klvingston@nu-core.com).

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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](mailto: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](mailto:HHS.1998.Reunion@hotmail.com).

**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.MCLX@yahoo.com](mailto:GCHS.MCLX@yahoo.com).

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20th reunion Aug. 29, 2009, at Joy Manor (6 p.m. to midnight. Ticket \$65

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**Grosse Pointe North Class of 1991**

Call (800) 677-7800, visit [www.taylorreunions.com](http://www.taylorreunions.com) or e-mail: [info@taylorreunions.com](mailto:info@taylorreunions.com).

**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 [ncc6897@bcgloabl.net](mailto:ncc6897@bcgloabl.net).

**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: [kaynini@aol.com](mailto:kaynini@aol.com).

**Classes of 1964-2004**

Reunion for graduates of Livonia Franklin High School between the years of 1964 to 2004 presented by Franklin All School committee 7 p.m.-2 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 29, at TC Gator's of Canton, 42775 Ford Road. Cost is \$10 and includes food and cash bar. Let's make this the biggest reunion that Franklin High School has ever seen. Please RSVP to Alicia O'Brien (Douglas) Class of 87 at (734) 261-4970 or e-mail: [aliciadoug@aol.com](mailto:aliciadoug@aol.com). We need your help finding old classmates to make this reunion a success so please spread the word.

**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](mailto: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@guardianluncheon.com](mailto:tonyd@guardianluncheon.com), Terry Tipton at [teptip@netscape.net](mailto:teptip@netscape.net), or visit [www.thurstonclassof1968.com](http://www.thurstonclassof1968.com) for details.

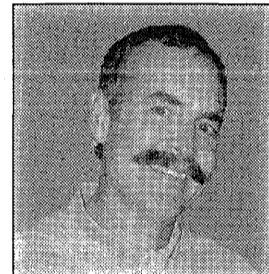
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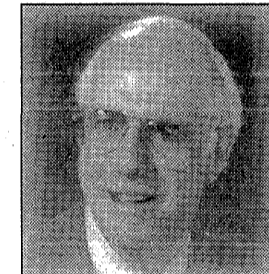
**BRENT KENNETH KJOLHEIDE**

Age 55, October 21, 2008 after a long battle with cancer. Of Gainesville, Florida, formerly of Birmingham, Michigan. Loving husband of Heidi; beloved son of Marie and the late Kenneth; dear brother of Freda (George), Karl (Sue), and Dirk (Katie); and proud uncle of two nieces, Jacqueline and Janine. Brent grew up in Birmingham and spent summers at the family cottage on Lake Charlevoix. Vacationing there each summer as an adult became a highlight of each year. Brent was a natural athlete who especially enjoyed the life lessons that were learned over 18 holes of golf. He attended Michigan State University. As a Construction Superintendent, he lived in Tucson, Houston, Atlanta, Charlotte, Gainesville. He loved his family. He was proud of his work. He will be missed. A memorial service and internment will be held in Michigan at a future date. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial tributes in Brent's name be made to Haven Hospice, 4200 NW 90th Blvd, Gainesville, FL 32606.



**JAYNE L. MILLER**

A life-long Birmingham resident, daughter of the late James and Geneva Lowman, passed away Monday, October 20. Jayne was born October 11, 1947, in Pontiac and married John Miller in 1984. Their son Jack was born in 1986. He is currently working on his Masters of Accounting at Michigan State University. Jayne considered raising her son to be her greatest achievement. Jayne attended Adams Elementary, Derby Junior High, and graduated from Seaholm High School in 1965. She worked at General Motors in the 1970s and 80s and worked at Standard Federal Bank in the 90s. Jayne was an active member of the Birmingham Village Players and the Birmingham Senior Women's Club. She was also a member of The Village Club in Bloomfield Hills and P.E.O. Chapter N. Jayne attended First United Methodist Church of Birmingham, where she volunteered her time. Jayne loved to read, go to movies, travel, and have lunch dates with her many friends. Her two year old Dalmatian Fannie also kept her very busy. Jayne will be remembered fondly and missed deeply. Services were held at First United Methodist Church. Memorials appreciated to First United Methodist Church, 1589 W. Maple Road, Birmingham, Michigan 48009. Offer your condolences at [lynchfuneraldirectors.com](http://lynchfuneraldirectors.com)

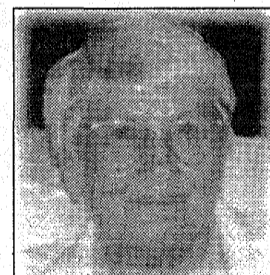


**RAYMOND J. MALONEY**

October 23, 2008, age 81. Beloved husband of 51 years to Jeanette "Jan". Dear father of John (Lee), Julie (John Goetz), Brian (Suzy) and the late Patrick. Loving grandfather of Austin, Jessica, Samantha and Caleb. Founding Headmaster of Kensington Academy (1968-1983); former English instructor at Cranbrook Academy (1965-1968); founder of The Self-Esteem Center (1983-1995); published author of numerous articles and books, including Ten Ways to Turn Out Terrific Kids and Pieces for Puzzled Parents; accomplished and award winning artist and internationally known for his collage works developed while he had Alzheimer's. Family will receive friends at A.J. Desmond & Sons (Vasu, Rodgers & Connell Chapel), 32515 Woodward Ave. (btwn 13-14 Mile) Sunday 2-4 & 6-8 p.m. Scripture service 7 p.m. Funeral Mass Monday 10 a.m. at National Shrine of the Little Flower, Royal Oak. Visitation begins at church 9:30 a.m. Memorial tributes to Alzheimer's Association, Greater Michigan Chapter or The Ray Maloney Scholarship Fund, c/o Academy of the Sacred Heart. View obituary and share memories at [www.DesmondFuneralHome.com](http://www.DesmondFuneralHome.com)

### WOODROW LINDON

October 23, 2008, age 90 of Garden City. Beloved husband of Arno and the late Lois. Dear father of Paul (Karen), Fred (Shirley), Elizabeth (Bill) Lewis, Phillip, Jerry, Woodrow, Jr. (Patricia), Cynthia Shelby, Robert and Michael. Brother of Ray. Also survived by 18 grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren. Service Monday 10 am at the UH Funeral Home, 35400 Glenwood, Westland. Family will receive friends Sunday 2-9 pm. Memorials would be appreciated to Vitas Hospice. Please visit and post a note of condolence at [www.uhfh.com](http://www.uhfh.com).



**MARGARET J. HESS**

Age 93 Born in Ames, Iowa, died Oct. 21, 2008. Beloved wife of the late Rev. Bartlett L. PhD (Founding pastor of Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Livonia). Loving mother of Deborah, Janet, the late Daniel and the late John. Mother-in-law of Cherie. Dear grandmother of 9. The family will receive visitors at the Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville, Saturday at 9 AM until time of Funeral Service at 11 AM. Arrangements by R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home (734-422-6720). Share a memory of Margaret at [www.rgrharris.com](http://www.rgrharris.com).

### ROSINA "SHARON" LIPKA

Of Summerfield, Florida died Oct 17 at the age of 68. Sharon was a bus driver for the Plymouth/Canton Schools before retiring to Florida with her husband John. She is survived by her brother John Hagy. Sons Michael Kaza, Martin Kaza, Greg Lipka and Grant Lipka. Daughters Gayle Grady, Gwen Lipka and 13 grandchildren. A memorial service will be held on Monday Nov 10 at 10:30 am at St Thomas a Becket Catholic Church in Canton Michigan. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Cornerstone Hospice, 2445 Lane Park Rd, Tavarres, FL 32778.

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### CHRISTINE (HONSHUL) PAYNTER

8/9/28-10/19/08. Long time Redford Township resident Christine Paynter, formerly of Vicco, Kentucky, lost her battle with pancreatic cancer Sunday, Christine, 80, was the daughter of Charlie and Frankie Jane Honshul Sergeant, sister to Rosalie Breeding-Risner and William O. Honshul. Beloved mother of Sheila Ann Smith. Christine is also survived by several nieces and nephews. Recently retired from Target, she began her career with Local viewing took place at the Charles R. Step Funeral Home, Tuesday 10/21, from 3-8pm. Funeral Service took place at Letcher Funeral Home in Whitesburg, Kentucky, Friday 10/24. Interment took place at Green Acres Cemetery. Donations can be made to Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute and Angela Hospice Home care.

### KAREN SOKOLOSKI

October 19, 2008. Age 56. Born in Brown City. Died unexpectedly in her Redford home where she resided for 30 years. The beloved wife of Patrick. Dear mother of Matthew (Diane) and Katherine (Rodney) Nastal. Grandmother of Josephine, Charles and Allissa. Sister of Karla (Tim) Lahrs, Denise Schultze, and Randy (Kirsten) Schultze. Visitation Manns-Ferguson Funeral Home, 17000 Middlebelt Road (S. of 6 Mile) on Wednesday from 5 to 9 p.m. and Thursday from 2 to 9 p.m. Scripture Service Thursday at 7 p.m. In State Friday 9 a.m. until time of Mass 9:30 a.m. at St. Aidan's Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. Please share a memory at [www.mannsfuneralhome.com](http://www.mannsfuneralhome.com)

### Memorial Service For JAMES S. WILLOUGHBY

A Memorial/Celebration Service will be held for Jim Willoughby on October 29th, 2008 at the Ford Education Center, Detroit Zoological Park in Royal Oak, MI at 5 p.m. Entrance to the Center is at the far west end of the main parking lot, parking included. For information, 772-231-3702.



# 'Yoga at the Wall' authors to host workshop at JCC book fair

BY SUSAN STEINMUELLER  
OSE STAFF WRITER

Yoga at the wall is more than just a series of poses. It's also a method of discovering and unblocking oneself from one's own emotional "walls" said Nancy McCaochan, 62, a yoga teacher and resident of Royal Oak.

"One of the benefits of yoga is it teaches us to be introspective without being reactive," said McCaochan, the primary author of a new book, *Yoga at the Wall, like stanzas in a poem*. She collaborated on it with fellow yoga teachers Lynn Medow of Bloomfield Hills and photographer Susann Spilkin of Birmingham.

Working with the support and resistance of a wall can help identify how negative emotions have been turned into chronic discomfort and then help unlock them.

"As we work with the resistance in our physical bodies, we stretch and strengthen and we also open ourselves to greater understanding," she said. "The union of opposites: This is yoga."

### SPECIAL EVENTS

The authors will be among those at the 57th Annual Jewish Book Fair, Nov. 5-16 at the Jewish Community Centers in West Bloomfield and Oak Park.

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### 'YOGA AT THE WALL'

What: 57th annual Jewish Book Fair

Where: D. Dan and Betty Kahn Building on the Eugene & Marcia Applebaum Jewish Community Campus, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield; Jimmy Prentis Morris Building, 15110 W. 10 Mile, Oak Park

When: Wednesday, Nov. 5, to Sunday, Nov. 16

Activities: Special events, book discussions, books for sale

Cost: Admission fee for select authors

For more information: jccdet.org; or (248) 432-5692.

United States, it offers special events, book discussions and books for sale.

At 8:15 p.m. on opening night, Wednesday, Nov. 5, Abraham Foxman, will speak at the West Bloomfield JCC on his book *The Deadliest Lies: The Israel Lobby and the Myth of Jewish Control*. Foxman is the national director and chairman of the Anti-Defamation League. There is an admission fee for Foxman's presentation and other select authors; other events are free and open to the public.

McCaochan and her co-authors will give a free stress management workshop at 8:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 7, at the West Bloomfield JCC.

"I am very thrilled and grateful to be there," said McCaochan, whose co-authors are Jewish. All teach

at Karma Yoga in Bloomfield Township.

Medow was the primary model for the photo illustrations of poses, or asanas, and Spilkin photographed the book.

"We will be talking about the book and the concept of using walls for yoga, but we will use the chairs to facilitate our yoga practice," said Medow, 56, of the workshop.

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For all three, the book is a first publication.

They taught or practiced yoga techniques using a wall and decided to collaborate on the book when they saw there was none available.

The book uses information and techniques synthesized from yoga teachers, chiropractors, classes, workshops and professional conversations.

"I think it's a beautiful piece," said Medow. "It's clear, concise and very user-friendly."

She added, "It is unique in that the three of us are in our middle age. You don't have to be young and flexible to do yoga. It can be a benefit at any age."

In addition to the Jewish Book Fair, "Yoga at the Wall" is available at the following locations: Karma Yoga, 3683 W. Maple at Lahser; Namaste Yoga, 309 S. Troy St., Royal Oak; Book Beat, 26010 Greenfield, Oak Park; Blue Lotus, 32644 Franklin Road, Franklin; and Inspired Wellness, 1185 S. Adams, Birmingham.

For more information, go to [yogaatthewall.com](http://yogaatthewall.com); or [jccdet.org](http://jccdet.org).



Lynn Medow is pictured in this pose on the cover of 'Yoga at the Wall.'

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## Dangers in the night

### Keep kids safe on Halloween

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
 O&E STAFF WRITER

Dr. Gary Pilchak admits Halloween is a free-for-all when it comes to his daughter eating candy. Although over-indulgence is the main reason children end up in the Emergency Department at Garden City Hospital, Clara won't be among the patients because he makes sure the 11-year-old eats before going trick or treating. It's one of the tips Pilchak has for parents as medical director of emergency services at Garden City Hospital.

"Kids get upset stomachs and end up vomiting," said Pilchak. "Feed the children before they go so they're not so inclined to gorge themselves. If they vomit more than a couple of times, seek advice. For younger children it's the issue of dehydration or if they vomit anything that has the appearance of blood or unusual contents. Candy and clearing the gut is to be expected but start while trick or treating to limit the number of hours they're eating and then restrict it after. My wife and I make donations to church. We buy it back from the children. You can donate these to any number of organizations.

They lose interest after a day or two anyway."

Pilchak warns parents to sort through all of their children's candy before allowing them to enjoy the treats.

"Don't eat any open packages. Be careful of hard candy with children because they're choking hazards," said Pilchak. "As parents we got a notice from the school about Pop Rocks, the carbonated candy. There's been some rock cocaine reported as being passed off as such in the school yards."

Halloween safety for children is a common-sense issue. Pilchak says make sure children wear light colored clothing, use reflectors, do not wear masks and that any type of head covering has eye holes large enough to give good peripheral vision. Dress children appropriately. It's not uncommon for the temperature to reach freezing levels. Make sure they carry flashlights and cell phones and know how to access their home phone and 9-1-1. Pilchak keeps an eye on Clara by tagging along with her and a group of fathers and their children from his wooded Brighton community.

"We don't see a whole lot of trauma

here (in the ER) but they do occur," said Pilchak. "There are teens driving up and down the roads going fast. Children should be crossing at the corner and walking on sidewalks as opposed to streets and have adults with them. They can watch the children. My personal experience is I've seen them fall when they're running from place to place. There's dew on the grass and they get minor injuries. It's important for adults to encourage them to take their time, walk on sidewalks instead of grass. In back of your mind, there's always the thought there are predators out there. A vigilant parent is always very good."

Dr. Gary Moorman is concerned about children on Halloween night even though his offspring are adults. As chief medical officer for Garden City Hospital he's especially excited about offering parents an alternative to trick or treating from door to door. On Wednesday, Oct. 29, little ones can collect candy during a Community Safe Halloween Party sponsored by the Emergency Department. He's expecting 1,200 to 1,500 kids, ages 12 and under, to come to the fifth annual event on the lower level of the hospital.

Like Pilchak, he has some tips for parents if their children do go out on

#### COMMUNITY SAFE HALLOWEEN PARTY

**What:** Trick or treating for children ages 12 and under. Halloween Party is sponsored by the Garden City Hospital Emergency Department  
**When:** 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 29  
**Where:** Lower level of Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster Road. For more information, call (734) 458-4259.

#### Halloween night.

"Safety is the issue when you have children out on the streets. I think it's important parents understand when putting the costumes together length is important too. You don't want them to wear something they might trip and fall. When they go to different houses, they have decorations around their porch and sometimes put candles in pumpkins. You have to be aware of the fire hazards," said Moorman, a practicing ER physician for more than 20 years.

Overindulgence can be an issue as well for adults coming into the ER.

"On occasion adults do come in on Halloween because they've had a little too much celebration," said Moorman.

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### MEDICAL DATEBOOK

#### OCTOBER

##### Lung cancer walk

12:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26, at Drake Park, West Bloomfield. All proceeds donated to the Melissa Lumberg Zagon Memorial Research Fund at the LUNgevity Foundation. For information, visit [www.lungevity.org/detroitwalk](http://www.lungevity.org/detroitwalk).

##### Flu shots

For adults and children over 6 months of age available at Oakland County Health Division locations at 1200 N. Telegraph in Oakland County Complex Bldg. 36 East in Pontiac; 27725 Greenfield, north of 11 Mile at Catalpa Road in Southfield, and 1010 E. West Maple at Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake. Hours are noon to 8 p.m. Monday, and 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday. Cost is \$11 (cash only). Medicare and Medicaid accepted. Bring photo identification and insurance cards. For information, call (800) 434-3358 or visit [www.oakgov.com/health](http://www.oakgov.com/health).

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##### Free seminar

To educate men and women about treatment options for erectile dysfunction and incontinence 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 30, at Botsford Hospital Community Room, 28050 Grand River, Farmington Hills, and Thursday, Nov. 6, at Henry Ford Hospital Warren Campus, Classroom BB, 13355 E. 10 Mile. To reserve a seat, call (734) 261-7401.

##### Wayne metro caregiver support

Are you a caregiver of an aging parent, spouse or relative? Do you ever wish you had an understanding person to talk to? Wayne Metro's Caregiver Support Groups offer support and assistance to those struggling to find or give quality care to their loved ones and offers valuable information at meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of the month 10 a.m. to noon at the Kay Beard Building on Michigan Avenue in Westland. Meetings are also held at the Village of Redford on Six Mile Road in Redford. Morning and evening options available. The morning group meets 10 a.m. to noon on the 2nd Thursday of the month, the evening group meets the 4th Thursday of the month from 6-8 p.m. Adult care may also be available. For information or if attending for the first time, call Nancy Coman at (313) 843-2550, ext. 233.

#### UPCOMING

##### Butterfly ball

The American Lung Association of Michigan hosts its black tie fund-raiser 6-11 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, at the Ritz-Carlton in Dearborn. Proceeds go to lung health research, education and advocacy. Tickets \$250 per person and include The Butterfly Ball will be highlighted by music and will include a cocktail reception, dinner, dancing, and a live auction featuring trips, dinners and a variety of experiences. Sponsorships available. Call Jessica Jimenez, Development Specialist, (248) 784-2018 or [jjimenez@alam.org](mailto:jjimenez@alam.org).

##### CHADD meeting

Child & Adults with Attention-Deficit-Disorder meets Monday, Nov. 3, at Way Elementary School, 765 W. Long Lake Rd., east of Telegraph, Bloomfield Hills. The Parent group will have Marla Godette speaking on AD/HD in the Black Home: The Real Truth. The Adult group will have Arthur Robin, psychologist and author, speaking on Can Your Marriage Survive AD/HD. Registration

opens at 7 p.m. Meeting runs 7:30-9 p.m. Meetings free for CHADD members and up to a \$5 donation for non-members. For information, call (248) 988-6716. The Web site is [www.chadd.net/527](http://www.chadd.net/527).

##### Girls' night out

Presented by Henry Ford Health System 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6, at Pine Lake Country Club, 3300 Pine Lake Road, Orchard Lake. Enjoy a gourmet, heart-healthy dinner while learning about how to treat your heart right. Experts from the Heart & Vascular Institute will be available for small group discussions throughout the evening as well as present four short lectures. Tickets \$20 per person. Space limited. Call (800) HENRYFORD (436-7936) or visit [henryford.com](http://henryford.com) and click on Find Henry Ford classes.

##### Caregiver's support group

St. John's Support Group for the Caregiver's of Alzheimer's patients or patients with other forms of dementia meet the first and third Friday of each month at 10 a.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 South Sheldon, Plymouth. Respite care for your loved one will be provided. Call Connie McNutt at (734) 895-1426 for more information. This group is authorized by the Alzheimer's Association.

##### Stomp out diabetes

Wine Tasting Benefit 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12, at the Radisson Kingsley Hotel in Bloomfield Hills. Guests will enjoy an evening of sampling and socializing all in support of the American Diabetes Association's efforts to prevent and cure diabetes. For tickets or more information, contact Debbie O'Leary at (888) 342-2383, ext. 6636 or [doleary@diabetes.org](mailto:doleary@diabetes.org).

##### Thyroid & your health

7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12, on the 3rd floor of Livonia Civic Center Library-3rd floor, 32777 Five Mile, between Merriman and Farmington Roads. Seating limited, call (734) 425-8588 to

register. For more information, visit [www.KarlWellnessCenter.com](http://www.KarlWellnessCenter.com) and [www.KarlHolisticHealthcare.com](http://www.KarlHolisticHealthcare.com).

##### Fibromyalgia workshop

By Dr. Daniel Clauw, director of the Chronic Pain and Fatigue Research Center at the University of Michigan 1-3 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, at Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman, south of Ford Rd., Garden City. For information, contact Lucy Rowley at (734) 462-1768 or [lucyrowley23@hotmail.com](mailto:lucyrowley23@hotmail.com). No charge for the workshop presented by the Metro Fibromyalgia & CFS Support Group.

##### Chocolate jubilee

To benefit the Alzheimer's Association, Greater Michigan Chapter noon Sunday, Nov. 23, 2008 at the Ritz-Carlton Dearborn. Held annually, Funds will support programs and services to more than 70,000 metro Detroit families affected by the disease as well as fund research. The luncheon is followed by a chocolate tasting with over 20 exhibitors offering up their sweetest creations. Luncheon and Jubilee tickets still available. To purchase or participate in the 50/50 Raffle or Sweet Chances, call (248) 351-0280 or visit [www.alzgmcc.org](http://www.alzgmcc.org) for details.

##### Get ready to have a baby

Learn what to expect during pregnancy, labor and delivery and make the entire experience more rewarding. Childbirth Education Weekday programs held 7-9 p.m. Wednesdays, to Nov. 19; Mondays, Nov. 17 to Dec. 15, and Wednesdays, Dec. 3 to Jan. 14. Childbirth Education One-day workshops 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8 and Dec. 6. There is a fee. Registration required. Call (734) 655-1162 for information or to register.

##### Gala evening at the movies

A benefit for the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America, Michigan Chapter 6 p.m. Monday, Dec. 1, at The Oldwood Palladium Theater, 250 North Old Woodward, Birmingham. Evening

includes the premiere of a new feature film and an hors d'oeuvres and dessert pre-glow reception. The honoree for the 31st annual Gala Evening at the Movies is The Michael Yendick Foundation for Children. To attend the event, purchase a listing in the Movie Gala Souvenir Journal from \$75-\$5,000 and receive complimentary tickets. Call (248) 737-0900, or email [michigan@cfaa.org](mailto:michigan@cfaa.org) for more information.

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## Tips for keeping prescription drugs away from kids

How many prescriptions do you have in your home? Because they're free and easy to find, they may be what your child uses to get high.

Prescription drugs such as sedatives, pain relievers, stimulants and allergy medications provide many benefits but when taken by anyone other than for whom the drugs were prescribed, they can be addictive and even deadly.

According to the National Institute on Drug Abuse Web site, more than 20 percent of high school seniors reported non-medical use of at least one prescription medication.

Robin Walsh, a therapist at Henry Ford Health System's Maplegrove Center, says there are six simple ways to help keep prescription drugs out of the hands of your children:

- Properly dispose of all prescription drugs from your home if they are no longer in use.

Non-prescription medications with dextromethorphan, dimenhydrinate and diphenhydramine hydrochloride should also be removed.

- Lock up all prescription and non-prescription medications. Don't let your guard down and leave them unlocked or out in the open.

- Educate yourselves about the latest trends in drug use including inhalants, 'pharming' parties and non-prescription cough medicine, and the dangers involved. Call community youth coalitions or treatment centers for information, assistance or guidance. They often offer helpful lectures or workshops. Also, the NIDA Web site is a great source of accurate information. Visit [www.nida.nih.gov](http://www.nida.nih.gov).
- Talk to your kids.

Explain the dangers of prescription drugs. Once you have information, share it with your kids to replace the misinformation they may have. You can debunk the myth that prescription drugs are a 'safer' high than illegal drugs.

- Get to know your kids! Keep the lines of communication open and listen to them. Look up information on the NIDA Web site for warning signs of drug use.

- Know your kids' friends and their parents. Look for any changes in the behavior of your children's friends. You may be safeguarding your home and watching your children but are other parents doing the same?

"Keeping communication channels open is important because kids can feel safe talking to their parents about drugs if something does occur," said Walsh. "They will be more open to asking questions of parents especially if parents are willing to listen and have exhibited some knowledge on the topic. Remember, the best way to communicate to your child is through the example you set, meaning actions speak louder than words."

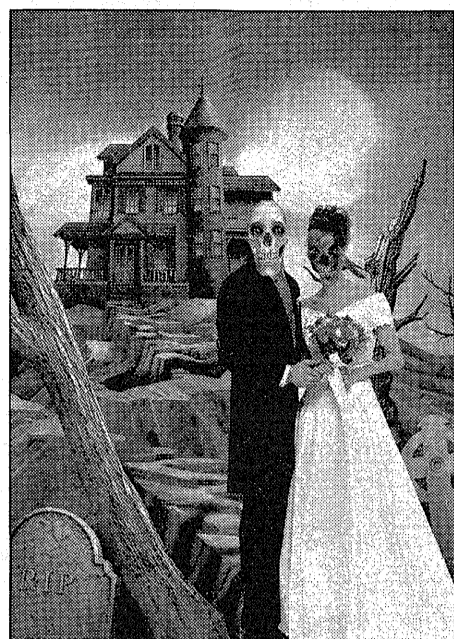
Henry Ford Health System's Maplegrove Center provides a full spectrum of substance abuse treatment and support services for people of all ages. Maplegrove is located at 6773 W. Maple Rd., West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-6100 for a Maplegrove evaluation.



# On Halloween

West Bloomfield couple say 'I boo!' in ceremony at haunted house

BY SHARON DARGAY  
O&E STAFF WRITER



Marie Rodriguez, 50, will tie the knot with Stan Wildman, 61, in her dream-come-true wedding Friday, Oct. 31.

Dressed in a black gown, she'll carry a bouquet of black roses and sport a grim reaper-style mask over ghoulish makeup featuring fake empty eye sockets.

Her husband-to-be will wear matching-black, with a deathly mask and bony-looking gloves.

The Wolfman will officiate as they exchange rings — hers is bat-shaped — and recite their vows on the lawn of Erebus, a haunted house in Pontiac.

Afterward the West Bloomfield couple will celebrate with costumed friends and eat spooky-looking wedding cake, likely coffin-shaped.

"The old classic horror films have been my interest since I was a kid. Instead of dolls, I wanted those little Aurora models. Dolls creep me out," Rodriguez explained. "I don't like any of the new splatter films. I like the classic horror films and I always said if I'm going to get married, it's going to be on Halloween."

Wildman doesn't totally share his fiancée's passion for all things scary, although the retired science teacher has always enjoyed the *Creature from the Black Lagoon*.

He was watching *Nightmare Sinema* on TV-20 early one Sunday morning and heard local movie horror show host, Wolfman Mac, invite couples to marry at Erebus on Halloween. Mac Kelly, who plays Wolfman, has the legal credentials to perform weddings.

"We were planning on getting married on Halloween anyway. The timing was perfect," Rodriguez said.

He'll marry six couples, including Rodriguez and Wildman, outside the haunted house. The ceremony will move inside if it rains. Afterward, couples will celebrate at Crofoot Ballroom, located within walking distance.

"It's pretty nice," Rodriguez noted. "They're going to have food, chairs and tables for us. We have to bring our own cake."

Her boss, Christine Scott, a veterinarian at Birmingham Veterinary Hospital where Rodriguez is a licensed veterinary technician, will serve as matron of honor and plans to make the wedding cake.

## HALLOWEEN YEAR-ROUND

The spooky wedding environment seems only natural for Rodriguez, who has decorated their home with classic horror movie posters and photos of favorite actors, such as Bela Lugosi, the original *Dracula*. Their doorbell plays spooky music year-round and Rodriguez answers her cellphone when it creaks and screams. For their first anniversary together, Wildman bought her a hearse, complete with coffin. She has since sold it, but now decorates her SUV with skull-theme accessories.

"I like skulls. I have a big hanging ghostly type of skull guy and we put a Santa hat on him last year at

Christmas. We'll have him out there all year. He'll wear a bandana in the spring," she said with a laugh. "Until she came along I did the whole gamut. You know, six-foot Christmas tree and all the decorations," Wildman added.

Their much smaller tree last year sported Christmas ornaments, but included a caravan of hearses at its base.

"As much as I like all this horror stuff I don't ever take in movies or books about the devil or voodoo," Rodriguez said. "I don't like witches and that sort of thing. I don't want to bring any of that stuff into the house."

## NATIVE CULTURE

The couple met about 2 1/2 years ago through the Internet and were drawn together because they share Native Indian heritage. She's half Apache and Wildman's mother was from a native tribe in Newfoundland, Canada.

Wildman crafts drums, dream-catchers, pouches and other items from leather, birch bark, feathers and fur that reflect their culture. The art decorates his home office and the couple has used the items in pow wows.

The pair also shares a passion for dog rescue. Rodriguez has always loved and owned Dachshunds. Wildman likes big dogs, such as gentle Newfoundlands. They rescue both breeds, as well as other dogs.

"When we go to shelters we'll pick up any dogs in dire need that are going to be euthanized," Rodriguez said. "We've got four right now — a Lab mix, two Aussies and an English Red Tick Coon Hound. They were all from a shelter in Clair County. They were all scheduled to be euthanized the next day so with pulled them. We just placed a very sweet yellow Lab."

They travel to shelters in Michigan, Indiana and Ohio, rescue dogs, make sure they've been vaccinated and spayed or neutered before advertising them for adoption on Craig's List. E-mail their organization, "Chipper's Doxie and Newfie Rescue," at [iluvweiner-dogs5@hotmail.com](mailto:iluvweiner-dogs5@hotmail.com).

"I was lucky to find someone who loves animals as much as I do," Rodriguez said.

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# LITTLE-KNOWN CONTACT-BUILDING TACTICS THAT WORK



**WORKWISE**  
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People often talk about the importance of contacts, but they rarely use creative, non-manipulative methods to build them. They glad-hand around a room, giving elevator pitches just long enough to grab a business card, or they offer to refer business when they have none to refer. Effective contact-building requires grace and sensitivity. This column will give you some ideas about how to do that.

**ASSOCIATES**  
It's Friday, an hour before closing. Sifting through the events of the week, you identify people who stand out because of the help they gave you. Lyrane Waymon, managing partner of the training and consulting firm Contacts Count, in Silver Spring, Md., suggests that you show your gratitude through "a quick phone call, a funny Hallmark card, an invitation to an event, a handwritten note -- not an e-mail, because it's too routine."

**BUSINESS EVENTS**  
David Mullings of Real Vibes Media, a Pembroke Pines, Fla., integrated media and entertainment company celebrating Caribbean culture, maximizes networking events with quiet effectiveness. He says that it's difficult to crack the ice with people well-known in an industry. First, he plans like a marketer. "I choose an event based on an audience," he says. Then he uses a tactic that draws the people he wants to him. Instead of going directly to a person, he asks a question of the group that he's sure that person will want to discuss. A second method requires powers of observation -- spotting the gatekeeper for Mr. or Ms. Hot Shot. "Go to the person who came with them," he advises. "Get that person's confidence and get the introduction. The value of an introduction is so important."

He'd invite 15 people, seven or eight friends/colleagues and an equal number of new people, telling them that he was pulling some friends together. "I told them to bring their own friends," he remarks. "Every week there would be about 20 people, new and interesting and some I'd already met. It's amazing what a shared meal can do for friendship. Some people help put others at ease. Instinctively, he'd introduce people in their best light. Mishra reports, "All are friends now."  
Industries were very broad-based, from marketing and technology to entertainment. Although his global plan is to improve his quality of life, he held a party for a Colombian blogger, the friend of a friend, who was vacationing in India. Once home, she sent him the application form for his fellowship. He's been in this country since mid-August, with social networking skills in high gear.

**ADVISORY BOARDS**  
Sales speaker and coach Terry Wisner, president of Partnering to Success L.L.C., in Grand Blanc, Mich., formed an advisory board to help him and his colleagues. His "Group of 22" includes salespeople, meeting planners, consultants and board members. "They're all connectors," he says. "You can spot this kind of person in a conversation when the person says, 'You know, I know someone who can use that or give you a different perspective.' They're fun to talk to because they're always looking for opportunities." He uses conference calls to



David Mullings (center) shows his skill at building contacts in social settings. Here he's encouraging Keith Christensen (right), a realtor at Keller Williams Realty in Boca Raton, Fla., to take over the floor. Sandro Francini (left) is a client of Christensen. connect people and watches the shift "from relationships to revenues." "I think that if you're big on connecting," he adds, "people will help you." He gets more contacts through this group than in any other form of networking. (Dr. Mildred L. Culp is an award-winning journalist. E-mail your questions to [culp@workwise.net](mailto:culp@workwise.net). Copyright 2008 Passage Media.)

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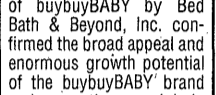
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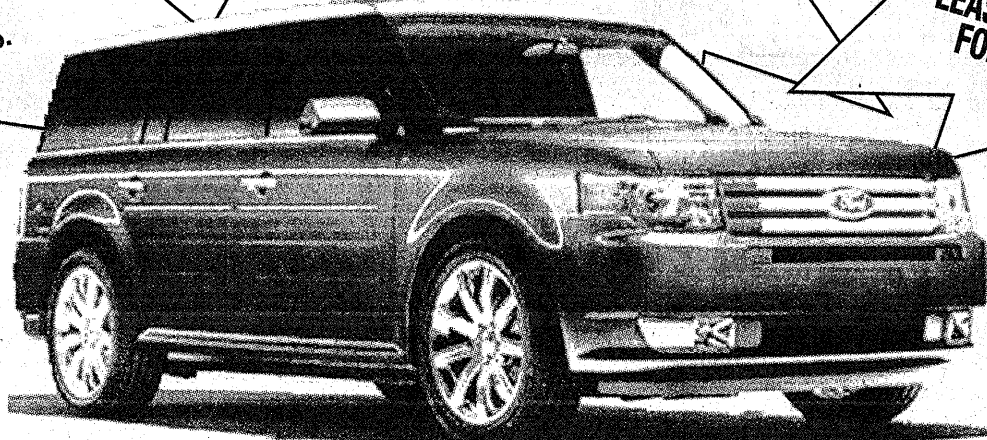


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## NEW 2009 FORD FLEX

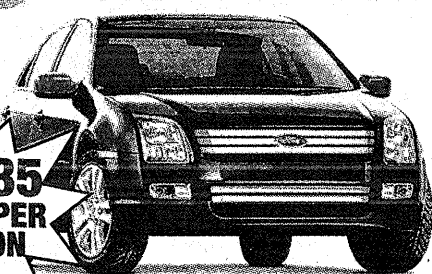


**NEW**  
**2009 FORD FLEX SE**  
BUY FOR - \$20,611\*\*\*\*  
YOU SAVE - \$8,729 Off MSRP  
OR LEASE FOR **\$290**\*\*\* per mo.

**NEW**  
**2009 FORD FLEX SEL**  
BUY FOR - \$23,551\*\*\*\*  
YOU SAVE - \$9,614 Off MSRP  
OR LEASE FOR **\$301**\*\*\* per mo.

**NEW**  
**2009 FORD FLEX LIMITED**  
BUY FOR - \$26,340\*\*\*\*  
YOU SAVE - \$9,785 Off MSRP  
OR LEASE FOR **\$335**\*\*\* per mo.

**NEW 2009 FORD FUSION SEL**

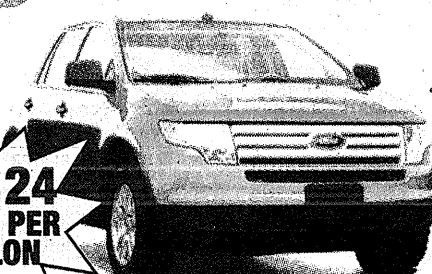


**\$214**\* per mo.  
\$2,000 Due At Signing

SALE PRICE **\$14,093**\*\*\*  
MSRP \$22,620

UP TO 35 MILES PER GALLON

**NEW 2008 FORD EDGE SE FWD**



**\$295**\* per mo.  
\$2,000 Due At Signing

SALE PRICE **\$19,209**\*\*\*  
MSRP \$27,140

UP TO 24 MILES PER GALLON

**NEW 2009 FORD ESCAPE XLT FWD**



**\$263**\* per mo.  
\$2,000 Due At Signing

SALE PRICE **\$17,980**\*\*\*  
MSRP \$26,040

UP TO 26 MILES PER GALLON

**NEW 2008 FORD F-150 XLT SUPERCAB 4X4**

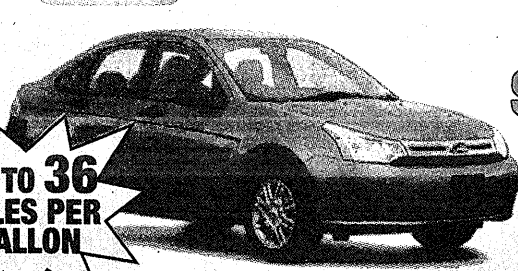


**\$355**\* per mo.

SALE PRICE **\$18,933**\*\*\*  
MSRP \$34,365

UP TO 20 MILES PER GALLON

**NEW 2009 FORD FOCUS SE**



SALE PRICE **\$10,345**\*\*\*  
MSRP \$17,090  
REBATE UP TO \$4,500

UP TO 36 MILES PER GALLON

**NEW 2009 FORD MUSTANG CPE V6**



**\$270**\* per mo.  
\$2,000 Due At Signing

SALE PRICE **\$15,417**\*\*\*  
MSRP \$21,820 REBATE UP TO \$3,500

UP TO 22 MILES PER GALLON

**NEW 2009 FORD TAURUS LTD**



**\$313**\* per mo.  
\$2,000 Due At Signing

SALE PRICE **\$22,213**\*\*\*  
MSRP \$30,250

UP TO 29 MILES PER GALLON

**NEW 2009 FORD TAURUS X LTD FWD**



**\$354**\* per mo.  
\$2,000 Due At Signing

SALE PRICE **\$24,206**\*\*\*  
MSRP \$32,455 REBATE UP TO \$4,000

UP TO 28 MILES PER GALLON

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Certified Pre-Owned Dealer

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Cheap Luxury!  
**\$4,450**

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**\$4,995**

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- NORTH BROTHERS**
- 115 Point Inspection
  - 3 Month/4,000 Mile Limited Warranty
  - Extended Warranties Available
  - Roadside Assistance
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  - Preferred Interest Rates

**1999 DODGE RAM SCAB**  
P20559A  
2WD  
**\$3,350**

**2005 TAURUS SE**  
P20636  
Certified, Nice  
**\$11,500**

**2007 FREESYTL SEL**  
P20657  
6 Year 100K Warranty  
**\$16,250**

**2007 ESCAPE XLT**  
P2062  
Certified  
**\$16,500**

**2007 TAURUS SEL**  
Certified 6yr/100,000 Warranty,  
APR as low as 2.9%,  
**\$10,950**

**4 TO CHOOSE FROM**

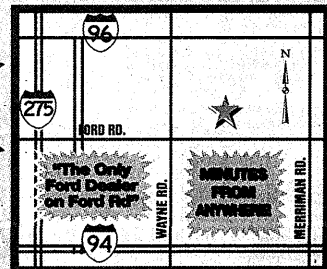
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# GMC BOB JEANNOTTE

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**ATTENTION**  
CHRYSLER-JEEP-DODGE LEASEE  
PRIVATE OFFER PROGRAM GM  
WILL PAY UP TO \$1000 TOWARD  
REMAINING LEASE  
PAYMENTS



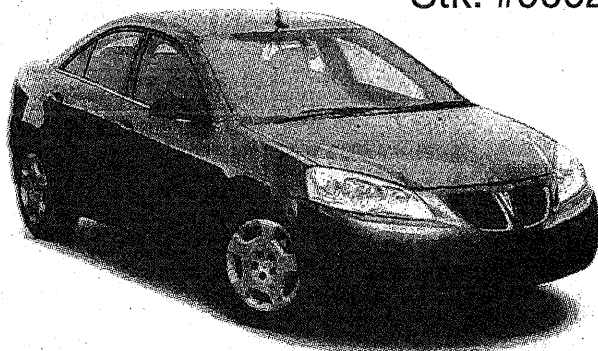
### GM Employee Discount for Friends & Family\*

**2009 PONTIAC VIBE**  
Order #NBJPVX



Was \$19,480 **OR- LEASE FOR**  
**NOW**  
**\$16,367\*** | **\$198\*\*** PER MO.  
\$0 Down Payment

**2009 PONTIAC G6**  
Stk. #90023



Was \$22,810 **OR- LEASE FOR**  
**NOW**  
**\$14,303\*** | **\$195\*\*** PER MO.  
\$0 Down Payment

**2009 PONTIAC G5 XFE**  
Order #NBIGWK



37 MPG  
Was \$17,725 **OR- LEASE FOR**  
**NOW**  
**\$13,937\*** | **\$203\*\*** PER MO.  
\$0 Down Payment

**2009 PONTIAC TORRENT**  
Stk. #90090



Was \$26,915 **OR- LEASE FOR**  
**NOW**  
**\$21,912\*** | **\$299\*\*** PER MO.  
\$0 Down Payment

**2008 PONTIAC SOLSTICE CONVERTIBLE**  
**Loaded!** Stk. #6429



Was \$28,915 **OR- LEASE FOR**  
**NOW**  
**\$21,995\*** | **\$279\*\*** PER MO.  
\$0 Down Payment

**2009 BUICK LACROSSE CX**  
Stk. #93035



Was \$26,390 **OR- LEASE FOR**  
**NOW**  
**\$19,880\*** | **\$275\*\*** PER MO.  
\$0 Down Payment

**0% Financing available 72 months on select models\***

**2008 BUICK LUCERNE CX**  
Stk. #2029



Was \$26,995 **OR- LEASE FOR**  
**NOW**  
**\$15,434\*** | **\$229\*\*** PER MO.  
\$0 Down Payment

**2008 BUICK ENCLAVE CXL**  
Stk. #93008



Was \$39,230 **OR- LEASE FOR**  
**NOW**  
**\$30,995\*** | **\$424\*\*** PER MO.  
\$0 Down Payment

**2008 GMC ENVOY**  
Stk. #95013



Was \$30,965 **OR- LEASE FOR**  
**NOW**  
**\$18,695\*** | **\$279\*\*** PER MO.  
\$0 Down Payment

**2008 GMC ACADIA**  
Stk. #4425



Was \$33,925 **OR- LEASE FOR**  
**NOW**  
**\$24,601\*** | **\$314\*\*** PER MO.  
\$0 Down Payment

**2008 GMC YUKON**  
Stk. #4234



Was \$42,645 **OR- LEASE FOR**  
**NOW**  
**\$27,995\*** | **\$413\*\*** PER MO.  
\$0 Down Payment

**2008 SIERRA**  
VIN #3503



Was \$19,685 **OR- LEASE FOR**  
**NOW**  
**\$9,499\*** | **\$115\*\*** PER MO.  
\$0 Down Payment

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# Sunday

## PUZZLE CORNER

Challenging fun for ALL ages

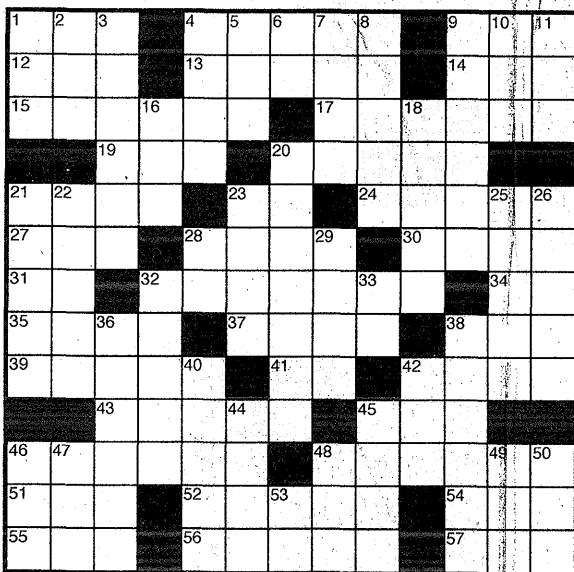
### CROSSWORD PUZZLER

- ACROSS**
- Weather system
  - Subatomic particle
  - Means of hearing
  - Retiree's kitty
  - Customary
  - Ziegfeld nickname
  - elbow
  - Bakery goody
  - Edge a dolly
  - Starry prefix
  - Butcher block
  - PC memory unit
  - Opening scores
  - Little kid
  - Reiner or Sagan
  - Oregon, to Yves
  - Near
  - Achieves
  - You, in Tijuana
- DOWN**
- Illuminated
  - Unrefined metal
  - Classified (2 wds.)
  - Give notice
  - Enterprise
  - Gold, in the lab

#### Answer to Previous Puzzle

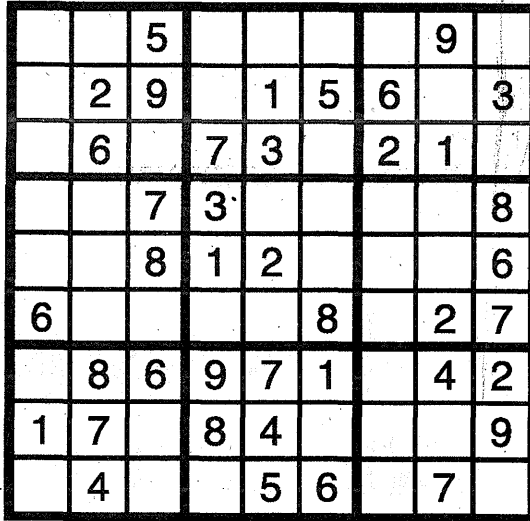
EVENS GOB PLY  
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 ELD MORASS  
 DEJA BEN CINE  
 FRET MERIT  
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 AHEAD WILT  
 TERM BAD SEEK  
 EDITED AXE  
 DAMSELS ES UN  
 ODE AGO BOARD  
 GEL FEN TURBO

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- NFL team
- Clumsy sort
- Exertion
- Baba
- Reagan nickname
- Capture
- Lets loose
- Rubs against
- Hunt down
- Forum speech
- Chess victory
- Cowboy/flick
- Tire features
- N.Y. neighbor
- Truth stretcher
- Neck scarf
- Santa Felloc
- Gave a bad review
- Wordlessly
- Down Under denizen
- Wetlands
- "Fish Magic" artist
- Pant
- Wind and cold
- Pasture mom
- Ski instructor
- Grain crop
- Captain's milieu
- Plural indicator

### SUDOKU



Level: Beginner

#### Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

**Here's How It Works:**  
 Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

## SEEK AND FIND

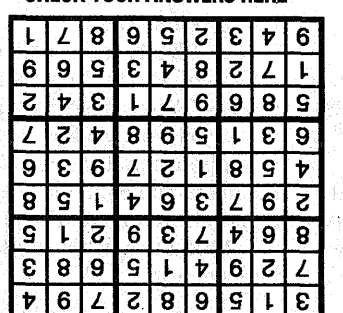
FIND THESE WORDS IN THE PUZZLE BELOW.

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|----------------|--------------|---------------|
| <b>BEDROLL</b> | <b>CHAPS</b> | <b>LIASSO</b> |
| <b>BIT</b>     | <b>GUN</b>   | <b>REINS</b>  |
| <b>BOOTS</b>   | <b>HAT</b>   | <b>SADDLE</b> |
| <b>CANTEEN</b> | <b>HORSE</b> | <b>SPURS</b>  |

THE WORDS READ UP, DOWN AND ACROSS.

A S C H A P S D F V  
 D S A D D L E Z N M  
 F T N G Y U I M S E  
 I I T U Y H A T T R  
 O B E D R O L L P S  
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 I O M N S B O O T S  
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#### CHECK YOUR ANSWERS HERE



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SUDOKU

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# Real Estate

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 Real Estate  
 For Sale

Open Houses 3030

**BIRMINGHAM**  
 OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
 1120 HILLSIDE DR.  
 SOUTH OFF LINCOLN, EAST  
 OFF CRANBROOK  
 Beautiful new construction!  
 1st floor master plan by  
 Millcreek Building Company.  
 Large master suite with luxu-  
 rious bath, 2 walk-in closets,  
 jacuzzi tub & separate shower,  
 spacious kitchen with island,  
 granite and walk-in pantry  
 opens to family room and  
 offers 2-way fireplaces with  
 library, grand 2-story foyer,  
 living room with cathedral  
 ceiling and fireplace.  
 4 Bedroom, 3.1 Bathroom  
 28150398 \$749,900  
 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l  
 248-644-7000

**BIRMINGHAM**  
 OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
 1130 HILLSIDE DR.  
 SOUTH OFF LINCOLN, EAST  
 OFF CRANBROOK  
 Fabulous new construction!  
 Colonial floor plan from  
 Millcreek Building Company.  
 3 fireplaces on 1st floor, bay  
 window in living room, spa-  
 cious kitchen with island,  
 granite, walk-in pantry and  
 cozy 16x14 hearth room.  
 Master suite has walk-in  
 closets and separate study,  
 luxurious master bath with let-  
 ted tub and separate shower.  
 4 Bedroom, 3.1 Bathroom  
 28150408 \$800,000  
 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l  
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**BIRMINGHAM**  
 OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
 1159 LAKE PARK DR.  
 NORTH OF MAPLE, EAST OF  
 CHESTERFIELD  
 Brand new construction. Over  
 5200 sq ft & 1400 additional  
 sq ft in finished lower level.  
 Spacious room sizes, domed  
 ceiling in foyer/fabulous stair-  
 case, wood paneled library &  
 family room. Dual Wolf ovens  
 & subzero refrigerators,  
 20x20 master w/walkout deck,  
 his & her closets. Additional  
 2/3 car garage possible. Too  
 much to list. Must see!  
 4 Bedroom, 4.1 Bath  
 27078144 \$2,590,000  
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**BIRMINGHAM**  
 OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
 1159 LAKE PARK DR.  
 NORTH OF MAPLE, EAST OF  
 CHESTERFIELD  
 Fabulous new construction in  
 gated Bloomfield Open Hunt  
 Club. Designed by Alex  
 Bogaerts, built by Deneweth.  
 First floor master wing fea-  
 tures his & her closets, dress-  
 ing room, large bath suite and  
 private access to library. All  
 bedrooms are suites with  
 walk-in closets. Gourmet  
 kitchen opens to family room.  
 Living room has private wet  
 bar. Four-car garage. BOHC  
 membership included.  
 Developer to buy back on  
 three year anniversary of clos-  
 ing-asking price.  
 4 bedrooms, 4.2 baths  
 27154105 \$2,395,000  
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**BLOOMFIELD HILLS**  
 OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
 608 CHASE LANE  
 NORTH OFF LONG LAKE,  
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 Owner Occupant Status  
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**REDFORD**  
 .68 Acre, 1300 sq. ft.  
 Formal Dining Room,  
 attached 2 car garage,  
 basement, \$81,900

**REDFORD**  
 Bungalow, 3 bedroom,  
 basement, 2 car garage,  
 \$30,600

**3 bedroom brick Ranch,**  
 Breezeway, 2 car attached  
 garage, part Finished  
 basement, \$76,950

**GARDEN CITY**  
 1600 sq. ft., 3 bedrooms,  
 family room, fireplace,  
 attached garage.  
 \$49,000

**Bay window kitchen,** 3  
 bedroom, aluminum  
 bungalow, basement,  
 garage, \$56,000

**Maplewood/Middlebelt**  
 3 bedroom, Brick Ranch,  
 basement, 2 car garage,  
 \$60,800

**4 bedroom, 2 full bath -**  
 one in master bedroom,  
 garage, \$57,000

**Open Houses 3030**

**BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP**  
 OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
 2710 TURTLE LAKE DR.  
 WEST SQUARE LAKE TO  
 CLUB DR. SOUTH ON CLUB  
 DR. TO TURTLE LAKE DR.  
 New construction-prime loca-  
 tion within exclusive Turtle  
 Lake. Arts and crafts architec-  
 tural masterpieces inspired by  
 the Cranbrook Education  
 Community. Perfect family  
 home on private site, first floor  
 master bedroom suite with 2  
 large walk-in closets, high-end  
 finishes and millwork, 4-car  
 garage. Developed by MJT  
 Residential Development.  
 5 Bedroom, 5.2 Baths  
 28062904 \$3,495,000  
 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l  
 248-644-7000

**BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP**  
 OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
 2956 TURTLE POND CT.  
 WEST SQUARE LAKE TO  
 CLUB DR. TO TURTLE LAKE  
 New construction! Enjoy  
 tranquil views of Turtle Lake  
 from this spectacular home.  
 This unique stone villa is ren-  
 iscent of a home you would  
 see on a French countryside.  
 Very high quality. Rich walled  
 paneled library, expansive  
 screened-in porch overlooking  
 Turtle Lake. Designed by  
 Victor Saroki and Assoc.,  
 developed by MJT Residential  
 Development.  
 4 BR, 3.2 BA  
 28062807 \$2,295,000  
 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l  
 248-644-7000

**BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP**  
 OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
 4852 WALNUT LAKE ROAD  
 ON NORTH SIDE OF  
 WALNUT LAKE ROAD WEST OF  
 FRANKLIN ROAD  
 Finest new construction just  
 reduced! Lake access to  
 Walnut Lake with Assoc.  
 approval. Meticulous custom  
 detail, granite kitchen island,  
 master bedroom with 2 walk-  
 in closets, split staircase leads  
 to foyer and kitchen, cathedral  
 ceilings in living room, fantas-  
 tic library, 3 full baths on 2nd  
 story, 3-car garage with circular  
 drive. This home has it all.  
 Land contract available.  
 4 BR, 3.2 BA  
 28040583 \$839,900  
 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l  
 248-644-7000

**CANTON - OPEN 1-4PM**  
 1591 Rustic Ridge  
 N of Palmer and E of Lilly  
 3 bdrm ranch, many updates,  
 New Furnace, New roof, full  
 bsmt, 2 tier deck, 2.5 car  
 garage with electric. Move in  
 condition! Priced to sell!  
**CENTURY 21 PREMIER**  
 (734) 453-4300

**CANTON - OPEN SUN 1-4PM**  
 1627 Montrose  
 S of Ford/W of Lilly  
 Beautifully updated 3 bdrm  
 2.2 bath colonial with full bsmt  
 & att garage on gorgeous lot  
 two blocks to park, \$190,000.  
 Karen Brown  
 RE/MAX 100  
 (248) 348-3000

**Livonia Open 1-4**  
 1592 Yale St.  
 Updated 3 bedrooms, .15  
 baths, tri-level. Family room  
 with fireplace, backs to huge  
 commons area. \$159,900.  
**HELP-U-SELL**  
 (734) 454-9535

**Livonia Open House**  
 Sun 1-4pm.  
 29831 Orangelan Street  
 Estate Sale! Solid brick ranch  
 w/3 bedroom, full basement &  
 Livonia Schools, \$78,900  
**HELP-U-SELL**  
 (734) 454-9535

**TROY**  
 OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
 6028 SAINT PAUL RD  
 NORTH OFF SQUARE LAKE  
 BTW CROOKS & LIVERNOIS  
 "Motivated seller & financing"  
 Exceptional NW Troy colonial.  
 Large kitchen w/ granite coun-  
 ertops & stainless steel appli-  
 ances, stunning 3-story win-  
 dows in great room w/ fire-  
 place. Possible land contract.  
 Seller will contribute up to  
 \$50,000 to help with financing.  
 Will do an exchange in Troy,  
 West Bloomfield, Waterford or  
 Commerce. All offers consid-  
 ered. Also for lease \$3,500.  
 6 Bedroom, 5.2 Bath  
 27155385 \$575,000  
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 With 325' on all sports Fox  
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**UPDATED BRICK BUNGALOW**  
 New roof, windows, tur-  
 nance, C/A, upscale carpet &  
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 \$115,900 MLS 28157215  
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**FARMINGTON FUN!**  
 Walk to downtown! 4 bdrm,  
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 & new paint, \$184,900.  
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**REMERICA HOMETOWN III**  
 6231 N. Canton Center Rd.  
**Farmington Hills 3145**

**3 BDRM, 2 BATH RANCH**  
 With open floor plan on large  
 lot. Newer kitchen with walnut  
 cabinets opens to family room  
 with doorwall to patio.  
 Hardwood floors, full base-  
 ment, most appliances stay.  
 2-car attached garage.  
 \$205,000 MLS 28120393  
 248-855-2000  
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**3 BDRM, 3 BA BRICK**  
 Colonial features large kitchen  
 with breakfast area & doorwall  
 to deck. All kitchen appliances  
 stay. FR with fireplace & wet  
 bar. Master suite with walk-in  
 closet & bath plus 12x8 sitting  
 area. Finished basement, 2-car  
 attached garage. \$298,500  
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**3 BDRM, 3 BA BRICK**  
 Ranch on private 3/4 acre lot.  
 Dining room, updated kitchen  
 with stainless steel appli-  
 ances, large master bdrm with  
 bath. French doors open to  
 huge deck. Updated roof, 2-  
 car attached garage. \$210,900  
 MLS 28131458  
 248-855-2000  
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**4 BDRM, 3 BA COLONIAL**  
 3147 square feet with too  
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 with fireplace, DR, huge  
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 cathedral ceiling. Finished  
 basement with lav. \$139,900  
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**BEAUTIFUL COLONIAL**  
 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath with pri-  
 vate cul-de-sac setting. Quality  
 & luxury! Crown molding, cus-  
 tom staircase, bay windows,  
 butler's pantry, deck, more!  
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 2-story living room boasts  
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 \$699,000 MLS 28117504  
 CENTURY 21 TODAY  
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**UPDATED RANCH**  
 On gorgeous lot. Fantastic  
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 wood floors throughout most  
 of home. Family room with  
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 to deck. Newer kitchen with  
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 siding, C/A & more. 2-car  
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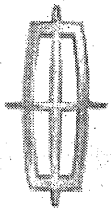
**3 BDRM, 2 BA RANCH**  
 Ceramic foyer opens to huge  
 living room with fireplace &  
 bay window. Spacious kitchen  
 with lots of cabinets & walk-in  
 pantry. Master suite with walk-  
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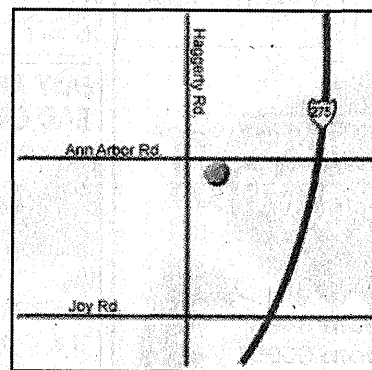
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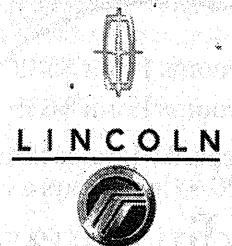
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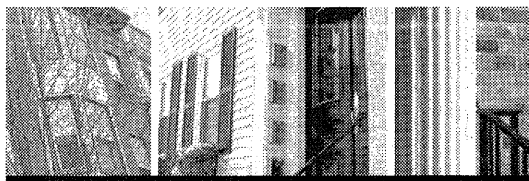
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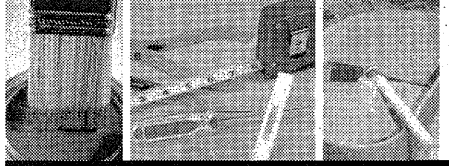
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## 2009 Pontiac Solstice: This is one capable coupe

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**By Kevin Koloian**  
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Set to go on sale in early 2009, the all-new Pontiac Solstice Coupe will wow with its dramatic styling and go to work with its balanced performance.

Drawing inspiration from classic sports cars, the new Solstice also resembles the original Dodge Viper GTS Coupe.

This is not a big surprise considering that GM Vice President Bob Lutz, the man who brought the Viper to life as a Chrysler exec, personally oversaw the Pontiac Solstice Roadster Concept back in 2002.

That notwithstanding, the Solstice Coupe has carved out its own niche.

It has all the same design elements that made the convertible model successful while offering a greater range of all-season driving opportunities.

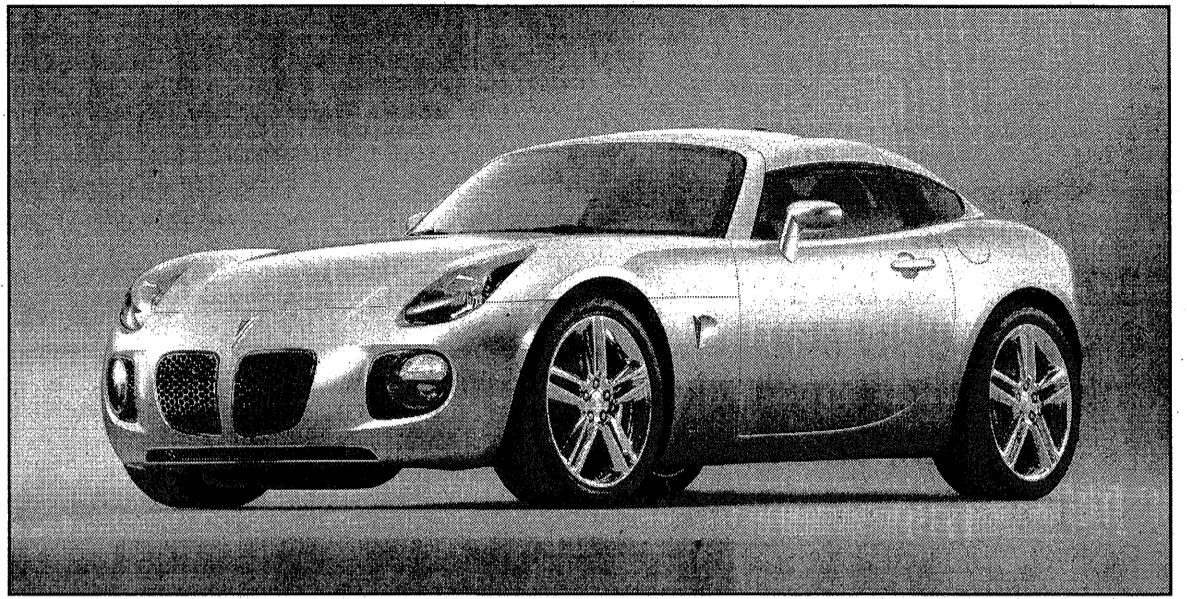
In cold-weather driving, you can lock the roof into fixed roof pillars. This design makes the Solstice able to withstand the coldest winters, provided you buy the required tires.

For drivers who want an open-air experience, the coupe features a removable roof panel that completely opens the cockpit up for the true wind-in-your-hair feeling.

As for functionality, removing the roof panel from the passenger compartment reveals an optional soft roof cover that stores in the cargo area.

In replacing the roadster's folding soft top and contoured rear deck with targa-style roof panel, where the panels directly over the driver and passenger's head can be removed, the Solstice Coupe got significantly more practical.

Buyers have the choice of either soft or hard top removal panels. The 30-pound, magnesium-rendered roof panel doesn't add much curb weight over the soft cloth top and Pontiac claims the 31-pound roof can be removed by one person. The fixed roof design also adds rigidity. So when whipping the Solstice Coupe around corners at



The new Solstice also resembles the original Dodge Viper GTS coupe.

high speeds, this superior handling will be felt by your assurance in safety.

Much of the coupe's interior remains the same as the convertible's. However, the area behind the seats was redesigned for easy access to the cargo area, and a storage tray was mounted directly behind the headrests.

At 6 cubic feet of cargo space behind the seats, that's three times more space than the roadster with its top down. And removing the folding-top mechanism allowed Pontiac engineers to put in a new, flat cargo floor that houses several storage compartments.

Despite all of the new inside blueprint mock-ups, Pontiac made only minor structural changes to create the Solstice Coupe's exterior. The rear fenders and rear fascia are the same as those on the convertible. New taillights are integrated smoothly into the tapered roof line. The coupe will be available as a base model or sports tuned GXP trim.

The Solstice Coupe shares almost all of the same drivetrain and suspension components as the regular Solstice, including a five-speed manual transmission.

The base model will get a 173-horsepower, 2.4-liter 4-cylinder engine. A 260-horsepower turbocharged 2.0-liter engine standard on the GXP version and optional on the base.

Fuel economy ratings haven't been released, but should be close to the 19 miles per gallon in the

city and 25 mpg on the highway that last year's manual got.

Standard safety will be provided by anti-lock disc brakes, with ABS optional on the base and standard on the GXP. The GXP also comes with stability control, which is optional on the standard Solstice.

Side airbags won't be offered, but in National Highway Traffic Safety Administration crash testing, last year's Solstice scored four stars out of five for both frontal- and side-impact tests. Pontiac is making sure to have a GXP model available at launch to reiterate its designation as GM's performance brand. But with the new functionality of the Solstice, it is turning into GM's Everyman brand.

With stunning styling, a removable top and more interior room, the coupe adds to the convertible's prowess and offers an all-season alternative for people who enjoy open-air driving.

Kevin Koloian covers General Motors Corp. for Avanti News Features. Write to him at [avanti1054@aol.com](mailto:avanti1054@aol.com).

**2009 Pontiac Solstice Coupe**  
Vehicle class: Sports car.

Power: 4-cylinder engine.

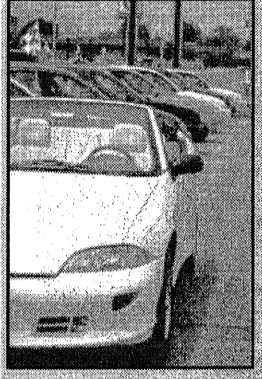
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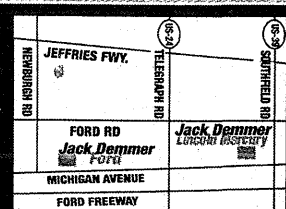
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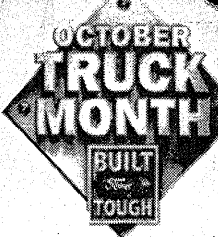
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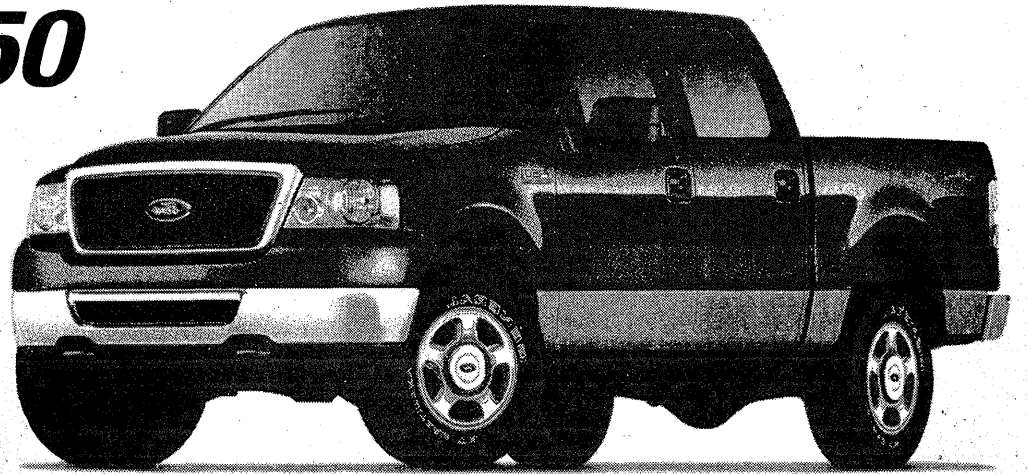
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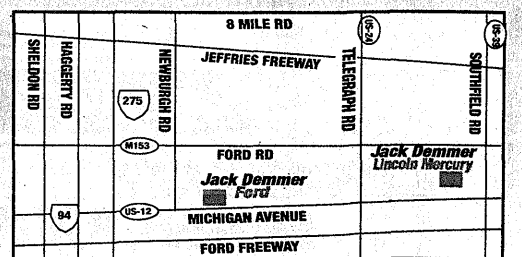
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