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Corps readies for hike in help requests

BY TONY BRUSCATO **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Michigan's spiraling economy and continuous employee layoffs have meant an increasing number of people seeking help from the Salvation Army Plymouth Corps.

Our programs are running about a 50-percent increase," said Laurie Aren, the Plymouth Corps' director of family and community ministries, which also serves Canton, Northville and Belleville. "It's the people who are getting laid off or have reduced hours who are, for the first time, struggling. They're folks who were donating to us last year and this year find themselves coming in for support. It's very humbling for a lot of people and very scary, they don't know how and where to ask for help."

As the Plymouth Corps heads into the holiday season, Aren said the drive for Thanksgiving turkeys and trimmings to feed an increasing number of families will be a challenge. "We'll be targeting about 250 families who will need assistance, about double from last year," said Aren. "We're seeing Plymouth and Northville numbers skyrocket.

We're looking for help from families who can donate one turkey to organizations that can hold food drives," Aren said. "They can donate any portion of the meal, but we're giving families a traditional Thanksgiving dinner with all the fixings."

Aren said they've already had 167 appointments to qualify people looking for assistance for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

"We've got about 80 appointments a week through the month of November, plus what we had in October, so you can see where the numbers are going," said Aren.
"Anyone in need won't be turned away.

"The good news is when times get tough like this the community comes out and supports us," Aren said. "We're always very grateful for that.

Families needing assistance or those wanting to donate Thanksgiving meals can contact the Salvation Army at (734) 453-5464.

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Ken Holmes examines a 4x5 inch negative made by his father during World War II.

The greatest generation

Son uses movie, photos to keep dad's memory alive

HONORING OUR VETERANS

- What: Veterans Day ceremony ■ When: 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11
- Where: Veterans Memorial Park (in
- front of Central Middle School, Ann Arbor Trail and Church)
- Highlights: Speeches by members of each veterans group (American Legion Passage-Gayde Post 391, American Legion Post 112; VFW Mayflower-Lt. Gamble Post 6695; Vietnam Veterans of America, Plymouth-Canton Chapter 528); Central Middle School students lead Pledge of Allegiance; band members lead singing of national anthem.

BY BRAD KADRICH OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Like a lot of war veterans, George Holmes — who saw World War II action at Iwo Jima and on Okinawa didn't talk much about his experiences when he got home.

Now, more than 60 years later - and 26 years after Holmes' death - his son, Ken, is doing his talking for him.

Using a documentary film George made and hundreds of photos he took as a combat photographer for the U.S. Army, Ken Holmes is keeping his dad's memory — and story - alive making presentations to

veterans groups, churches and other groups who want to hear it.

"I told a few people about it and they seemed to want to hear more,' Ken Holmes said, explaining why he has put together this presentation. "It's my dad's story, and it honors veterans of World War II."

George's story, as Ken tells it, has its genesis in a 10-minute film George and another soldier, John Minsker, were told to make shortly after the U.S. hit Okinawa. Several soldiers had discovered an infant boy they called "Charlie," took him to the hospital and tended to his wounds.

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Growing choir lets singers share their voices

BY BRAD KADRICH **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Jennifer Kopp figures the Plymouth-Canton schools' choir program has benefited greatly over the years from "word of mouth."

In this case, it must be alot of mouths.

Kopp, who in September started her ninth year as director of choirs, has seen the group expand from some 150 students her first year to some 280 singers spread over the program's six choirs this year.

How much has the program grown? In one week last month, six students walked in Kopp's door to see if they could join.

"This is a district of



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Jennifer Kopp directs the Madrigal Singers, one of six groups that make up the Plymouth-Canton choir program.

6,000 (high school) kids, and I think the choir gives them a place they can feel at home, feel loved," Kopp

said. "That's a big reason not only why they come, but why they stay four years."

While Kopp would like to see even more offerings ("We need something jazzy, and a beginning men's group," she said) the program now includes half-adozen different choirs:

■ The Park Singers is an 80-member group of all freshman girls;

■ Allego, also with 80 members, has 9th-through 12th-grade boys and sophomore-senior girls;

■ Dulcissima is the advanced women's choir;

■ Madrigal Singers is an advanced choir with 20 10th-through 12th-grade

■ Chamber Choir is the boys' equivalent to

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Vets want to replace park wall

Preservation Network claims it's 'irreplaceable'

> BY TONY BRUSCATO **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

The Plymouth City Commission will have to decide if a stone wall in front of Central Middle School dating back to the 1930s is historic and should be preserved, or if it can be torn down to make way for a new cultured stone wall that will match the entrance to the Plymouth Community Veteran's Memorial Park.

The Veteran's Park committee wants to tear down the 161-foot wall to build a solid concrete structure covered by Michigan River Stone with a limestone cap.

"(The stone wall) is in bad shape," Bob Zaetta of Plymouth Township, president of the Plymouth Community Veteran's Memorial Park committee, told commissioners Monday night. "According to our contractor, one of the major reasons why the wall keeps cracking and crumbling is because it doesn't have a footing underneath it. There are at least a dozen different kinds of mortar in the wall ... and according to (City Manager Paul) Sincock at least three times people have run into it with their cars. So the question is how much of the wall is original, anyway?

'We've got a donor that is willing to pay the expense of replacing the wall and we want to build a good, solid wall that will survive a couple of generations without much work to it," he said. "We're not looking for a temporary fix. We think it will help beautify the park."

While Zaetta told commissioners his group has a donor to pay the \$100,000 cost for a new wall, the Plymouth Preservation Network promised to raise money for the \$18,000 needed to repair the rock

"Veterans likely helped to construct it and it's truly a piece of living history and irreplaceable," said Jennifer Philpot-Munson of Plymouth, a member of the Plymouth Preservation Network. "A stone mason recently evaluated the wall and said it doesn'tpose a threat and saw it as sound, finding only minor repairs.

"It's the responsibility of our elected officials to preserve and maintain such important markers of our cultural heritage for many generations to come," she said. "A manufactured stone wall doesn't accomplish the same thing.

Oddly enough, when construction of the veteran's park began in October 2005 a similar stone entrance at Church and Main streets was demolished in favor of the cultured stone wall. At that time, no one objected.

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George Holmes' superiors had him re-create the discovery of the boy in order to show the U.S. had immediately moved to build hospitals and take care of Okinawa's sick and injured.

"It shows they're setting up hospitals to treat infants and civilians, because that's how we do things," Ken Holmes said.

George Holmes returned from the war and settled in Livonia. He had been estranged from his sons since 1939, but re-established those relationships in 1956. The only time Ken saw his dad during those years was when he came to say good-bye when he joined the Army.

George died in 1982. Some four years later, producers of



One of George Holmes' projects was documenting the art painted on aircraft fuselages.

a Japanese television show based on George's movie which featured not only "Charlie," but many other orphans — showed up at Ken's

door, searching for any infor-

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mation Ken might have on the ancestry of Charlie or the

Ken knew nothing of it, but the visit alerted him to the presence of the movie. He



from the National Archives. During a visit to George's friend, John Minsker, in 47 years, Joyce, also obtained

"They brought him to America to meet with Americans to see if they could find his ancestors," Ken Holmes said. "The whole idea was to find the ancestors of the children that had been in the movie. They had some luck finding some others, but none

of Charlie's."

Meanwhile, Ken Holmes had obtained a box full of 4x5 negatives shot by his father during the war. The box had been sitting in his brother's house and, shortly after his father's death, Ken got the box.

With the advent of digital photography - and his own retirement, which gives him plenty of time — Ken has begun making prints of his father's work. The photos cover George Holmes' career and feature a variety of people, places and events. Included among them is a photo of Gen. Douglas MacArthur and Navy Admiral "Bull" Halsey.

George Holmes, who went on to become a photographer for Burrows after his military service, released the shutterbug in his son.

"He rekindled my interest in photography," Ken said.

Joyce Holmes said her husband's interest in telling George's story not only helps also lets the couple delve into one of their passions: history.

"We have Revolutionary War people, Civil War people," Joyce said of the family history. "(Ken) and I both have a love of history. The easiest way to learn about history is to find out your people took a part in making it. We're trying to teach our children to remember how important it is

to remember family. Re-telling his dad's story makes Ken Holmes wish his father had talked more about his military experiences when he was alive.

"He talked about making the movie, but he never went into any great detail," Ken said. "If we asked, he'd talk about it. I guess some memories are just too painful.

"It's obviously too late now, but I wish he had talked about it more," Ken added. "Tom Brokaw put it best — that was our greatest generation."

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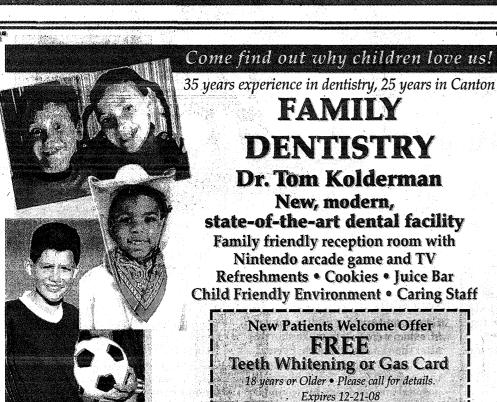
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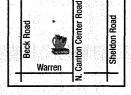
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Stevenson rules! Four 1986 grads win judicial, supervisor elections

BY REBECCA JONES **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

The upcoming session of "judge school" for those newly elected to the bench will be a small-scale reunion for three graduates of the Stevenson High School Class of 1986.

Jim Plakas, Mark McConnell and Chris Ninomiva were each elected to district judge posts on Tuesday. Another former classmate, Michele Economou Ureste, was elected Tuesday as West Bloomfield Township supervisor.

Plakas, of Northville, won the race for the 35th District Court, which covers Northville, Northville Township, Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton. McConnell, of Westland, will preside over the 18th District Court.

The two have been friends since their days at Holmes Junior High in Livonia, coworkers for the past 13 years and even commiserated through their first-year contracts class at the University of Detroit Law School.

"We ended up driving to school together every single day for the first year," Plakas said.

Like McConnell, Ninomiya, the Dickinson County prosecutor, had no competition for the judgeship of 95-B District Court, in the Upper Peninsula community of Iron Mountain.

The next step for the three men who grew up in Livonia is a training session this Friday.

"Everything's come full circle," said Plakas, who plans to carpool there with McConnell.

McConnell and Ninomiya, who were on the tennis team at Stevenson, later ended up taking the bar exam together.

During law school, Ninomiya served an internship a few counties away from where he now resides and "fell in love with the U.P." He moved there after graduating from Wayne State University Law School and worked as a prosecutor, later being elected to two terms as chief prosecutor. His office handles about 1,400 criminal cases per year.

When the district judge decided to retire this year, Ninomiya ran unopposed for

None of the new judges described themselves as at the top of their class in high school.

"I was probably '75 percent nerd and 25 percent jock' to use the '80's parlance," Ninomiya said,

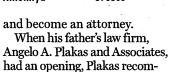
McConnell, who aspired to be a lawyer from the time he was 13, said his grade point average was about 2.9. "I knew after high school my grades were going to have to get significantly better," he said. "I worked very hard in college and law school and got good grades," he said.

Plakas, who had a B average, enjoyed his social studies class and was on student government for two years in high school. "I was no different from a lot of other high school students. I was interested in girlfriends and hanging out with friends," he said. "I know that I got a wonderful education. ... but I didn't peak in high school."

But it wasn't until college that he decided he wanted to follow in his father's footsteps

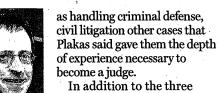


Ninomiva





mended bringing in McConnell for an interview. The two have worked together as assistant city attorneys for Westland, as well



judges, another Stevenson Class of '86 graduate, Michele Economou Ureste, won her race for West Bloomfield Township supervisor.

McConnell and Economou Ureste ran cross-country together. Twenty years later at a reunion party, they discovered they were both planning to run for public office.

She described herself in high school as "two-dimensional." "I studied and ran," she said.

She was the Brieske Award winner, given to an outstanding student athlete and participated in the Global Education program. Like Plakas, she studied political science at

Central Michigan University. Although they've moved

on since high school, the Stevenson graduates are still finding connections to Livonia Public Schools. Economou Ureste married a high school

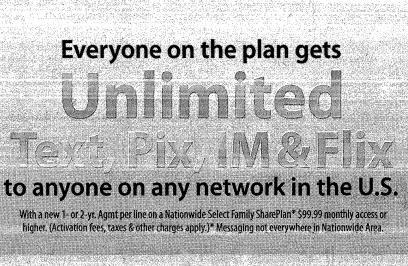
acquaintance in 2001. "I think it speaks well for our alma mater to have four of us from our graduating class to be elected to such high offices on the same day,"

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Veterans' breakfast

The American Legion 112 Post and Beasley-Zalesny Auxiliary host a breakfast event to honor area veterans and thank them for their service to the country 8-10 a.m. Tuesday. Nov. 11, at the IOOF Hall, 344 Elizabeth (on the corner of Ann Arbor Trail).

There's no charge, but donations will be accepted from non-veterans. Following breakfast, the annual Veterans Day service takes place at Veterans Memorial Park in Plymouth.

For more information, call (734) 459-7324.

Grief workshop

Grace Chapel in Farmington Hills is sponsoring a one day grief seminar, From Grief to New Hope, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15.

This workshop will be presented by Cathy Clough of Plymouth, director of New Hope Center for Grief Support. All adults who are learning to cope after the death of a loved one are

encouraged to attend. There is no charge for the seminar and lunch will be provided.

Grace Chapel is located at 27996 Halstead in Farmington. Hills. Registration is not necessary, but if further information is needed call Karol at (248) 488-0151. For information about New Hope Center for Grief Support's other age and loss specific groups call (248) 348-0115.

Potters guild

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The annual Village Potters Guild Holiday Sale will take place at the Village Potters Guild studio, 340 N. Main, G-1, in Plymouth Thursday, November 20 through Saturday, November 22.

The studio is open Thursday 5-8 p.m., Friday 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. to 5

For more information or to learn about classes, call (734) 207-8807 or see www.villagepottersguild.org

Dental outreach

The Plymouth Community Council on Aging hosts the University of Michigan Dental Outreach Program, presented by Plymouth Dental Associates, 10-11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11, at



Firefighter fund-raisers

Shane Ramin (right) and Derek Haarala were among the Plymouth Community firefighters and Canton firefighters who helped raise more than \$1,000 in their 'Fill the Boot' campaign to combat neuromuscular disease. Firefighters volunteered their time October 24th to ask passing pedestrians and motorists at the Plymouth Kroger and Busch's Grocery Stores to make donations to support the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA). Last year, firefighters across the country raised over \$23 million to help Jerry's kids. For more information concerning MDA, please see www.mda.org.

the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer.

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Truth about oil

The Plymouth District Library will host an informative program on Wednesday, Nov. 12 at 7 p.m., "Oil 101: What every American should know about the lifeblood of modern society."

The program will be presented by local geologist and author, Charles Ferguson Barker. Barker will share background information on oil, how it is formed, where it is found and why the price varies. Barker was recognized as a Michigan Notable Author in 2006 for his book, "Under Michigan: The Story of Michigan's Rocks and Fossils", which is a part of the Library's collection.

Registration is requested for this free program; contact the Library at 734-453-0750, Ext. 4 or on-line at plymouthlibrary.

Toastmasters' open house

MotorCity SpeakEasy, a Plymouth-based Toastmaster's group, hosts an open house 7-8:30 p.m. Nov. 17, at the Plymouth Library, lower level, 223 S. Main St.

Adults over 18 are welcome to attend and learn about public speaking at this free event. The guest speaker will be Curt Gottlieb, humorous speech winner in the Area 33 contest. Attendees can take part in a mini speech session - by answering an impromptu question in front of the audi-

MotorCity SpeakEasy has been a chartered club of Toastmaster's for more than 50 vears and welcomes new members. The regular group meets the second and fourth Monday of the month, from 7 to 8:30 p.m., at St. Johns Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon Road in Plymouth, 48170.

For more information about the club or the open house, please call Kim at (734) 542-

Turkey Trot for troops

Independence Village of Plymouth, partnering with Desert Angels, Inc., is looking for volunteers to help "stuff" a Miracle Turkey Box that will trot over to troops serving over-

Because we give thanks to our military for all our freedoms, please help us show that

we care. The stuffing takes place 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12, at Independence Village of Plymouth, 14707 Northville Road in Plymouth Township.

Items needed include nonperishable food items such as stove-top dressing, cranberry sauce, canned sweet potatoes, instant potatoes, cans of turkey gravy, and cans of turkey/chicken meat, cookies, and paper plates/napkins. Involve the kids by having them make turkey decorations and cards. Write letters of thanks to enclose in the boxes. And as always cash donations are needed for post-

Each box will cost \$10.95 to mail. Donations are tax-deductible and Desert Angels, Inc. is a

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The events take place 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11, or 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, at 1200 S. Sheldon in Plymouth.

Those wishing to attend should call the 24-hour reservation hotline - (888) 776-3703 or e-mail Diane@SMPrate.com - to save a seat.

Musical festival

The combined adult choirs of Plymouth churches will present a Thanksgiving Choir Festival at First United Methodist Church in Plymouth 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23.

More than 100 voices will join in celebrating Thanksgiving with a music festival featuring choral anthems accompanied by brass, handbells and organ, as well as audience sing-along of familiar Thanksgiving hymns. Participating choirs include First United Methodist, directed by Marcia Van Oyen; Our Lady of Good Counsel, directed by Matthew Samelak; First Presbyterian, directed by Jerry Smith and St. John's Episcopal, with director Scott Elsholz. Handbell ringers from each church will be led by Sue Scott of First Presbyterian.

Admission is free; an offering will be received to benefit First Step of Plymouth and the Salvation Army. First United Methodist Church is located at 45201 North Territorial Road, a mile east of Beck Road, and offers ample parking and barrierfree entrance. All are invited and encouraged to attend. For more information (734) 453-5280.

PCAC events

■ The "Brown Bag Lecture Series" at the Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 N. Sheldon in Plymouth, continues at noon Tuesday, Nov. 11, with the topic, "From a Womanh: A Woman's Work Illustrated."

■ Camps - The PCAC offers one-day day camps 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 1, Dec. 22, Dec. 23, for children ages 5-12, for \$50 per day, per child. There is a Mid-Winter Break Camp 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Feb. 23-27, \$50 per day. There is a Spring Break Camp, April 13-17, \$50 per child for children ages 5-12.

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No investments are risk-free, even money markets McCotter's House

My wife has a large amount of money in a 403(b) in Fidelity 205 Freedom Fund. All new money has been going into the Fidelity U.S. Money Market Fund. She'll be retiring in the next couple of years and does not want to lose principal. Should she transfer



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fluctuation then the money market fund is certainly the way to go. Money markets have no principal fluctuation and have a stable value of one dollar per share. The Fidelity Freedom 2005 Fund is made up mostly of bond funds and it does have principal fluctuation.

If her goal is to have a portion of her portfolio invested without principal fluctuation, the money market fund is the way to go. However, just because it has no principal

does not have risks.

Many investors believe that the only risk is losing principal. However, another risk that can be as devastating as losing principal is not keeping up with the increased cost of living. Too many people think that as long as they beat inflation they are doing fine. Unfortunately, that is not the case. First, you have to recognize the effect taxes have on returns. If money is invested in a retirement account, the money is taxed at an ordinary income level — the highest tax bracket. Therefore, if you're getting a 4 percent return, the after-tax return for most people is 3 percent or below. Then, against the 3 percent return you have to consider how your cost of living is going up on a year-by-year basis.

I believe most Americans would find that their costs are increasing at 3 to 4 percent per year. Therefore, the risk of investing in money market accounts is not that your principal will fluctuate. because it won't, but rather your money is not keeping up in terms of purchasing power.

It is important to understand there is no such thing as a risk-free investment. All

Investors who ignore the risks that inflation and increased cost of living create are those who find they are running out of money later in

Investors need to have a varied portfolio that does not subject all money to one risk but rather is composed of a variety of different types of investments that have different levels of risks.

An investor may feel that they are safe by keeping all their money in investments that have no principal fluctuation such as CDs, bank accounts and fixed annuities. Although these types of investments can play an important role within the portfolio, they should not represent your entire portfolio.

Although it is difficult to make changes in a portfolio while in the midst of a major crisis, such as we are, it is a good idea to begin to think how your portfolio should look after things calm down.

It is extremely difficult during times like this to continue investing in equities. After all, I am an investor

too and my portfolio has also suffered. However, I am staying the course because I do not want to be in a situation where I don't have sufficient resources later in life. That said, investors who randomly buy equities without focusing on a realistic overall strategy have to realize that the stock market is not a gambling hall. Equities are for the long term and should not be used for short-term needs.

Investors who are in salaried deferral programs such as 401(k)s and who are long-term investors should continue to invest in equities. I don't know if we've hit the bottom and are on our way up. However, I do know that equities are considerably cheaper than they were a year ago and there is nothing wrong with shopping when things are on sale.

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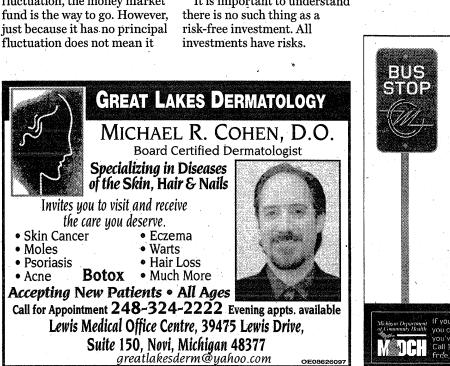
On Thursday Chris Matthews and Weldon are retiring and of MSNBC's Hardball had some Republican Reps. Bill Salli fun with U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter's soon to be disbanded Congressional rock band The Second Amendments.

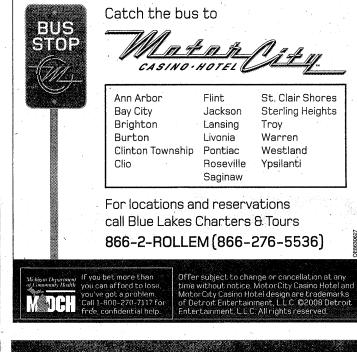
The bombastic news commentator got a few things wrong. He called the band The Singing Amendments and a graphic mislabeled the members, identifying McCotter as outgoing Rep. Dave Weldon of Florida and putting a big X over

McCotter played lead guitar in the band. Drummer Rep. Kenny Hulshof of Missouri

of Idaho and Jon Porter of Nevada lost their bids for reelection in the Democratic onslaught. Remaining band members in addition to McCotter are Democrat vocalist Collin Peterson.

In addition to the Matthews' slight, the Web site Gawker says of the band, "They were basically a crappy wedding band, playing dad music semicompetently, but the 'members of Congress thing made the whole show a little more sur-











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New charter school may move forward despite opposition

OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The special land use request for Universal Academy has been postponed until Nov. 17.

The measure, which could lead the way for a second charter school in Canton, will go before the Planning Commission.

Nawal Hamadeh, the founder, superintendent and CEO of Hamadeh Educational Services, Inc., said the matter was postponed because of scheduling conflicts.

The Dearborn Heightsbased school system is looking to build a K-12 public charter school on Saltz Road between Ridge and Beck roads. The company, which educates 2,000 students, has a school in Detroit and two in Dearborn.

The proposed Canton school would be a relocation of the 450-student Detroit facility. Hamadeh said she doesn't believe all of the children would transfer to the new location, which would accommodate 750 students.

Hamadeh, who has said the township is ripe for the school's targeted population, has been encouraged by parents in the area.

"Some people have told me their prayers have been answered," she said, but added, "I know we have some opposition."

The narrow parcel slated for the 77,420 square-foot school divides the Vintage Valley and Antique Forest subdivisions. The land is less than a mile south of Canton Charter Academy, which is also trying to build an additional location in the township.

Many homeowners in Antique Forest and Vintage Valley have expressed concern over the proposed school's impact on traffic and property values.

"This will have a tremendous impact on our community," said John Waite, who recently moved to Antique Forest. "It will change the nature of Saltz Road and traffic in the subdivision will be backed up.'

Bill Hermann, who also lives in Antique Forest, said

he agrees with many of his neighbors who believe the school wouldn't enhance the

"A school this close to our properties is not only an eyesore but will have a negative impact on our property values," he said. "The sheer size will create traffic, noise, and safety issues (and) we already have 10 schools in a 2.5 mile radius of this proposed site."

Hermann and Waite also referenced the possibility of Plymouth-Canton Schools losing student funding if Universal Academy were to build in the township.

"This school would hold 750 students," Waite said. "We don't need that additional school capacity in Canton.'

Frank Ruggirello, Plymouth Canton Schools spokesperson, said despite a continued trend of increased enrollment within the district, the possibility of the charter school has raised concerns.

"Nobody does it better than public schools, but in these economically challenging times, the possibility of losing students is not good," he said. "It's certainly a concern."

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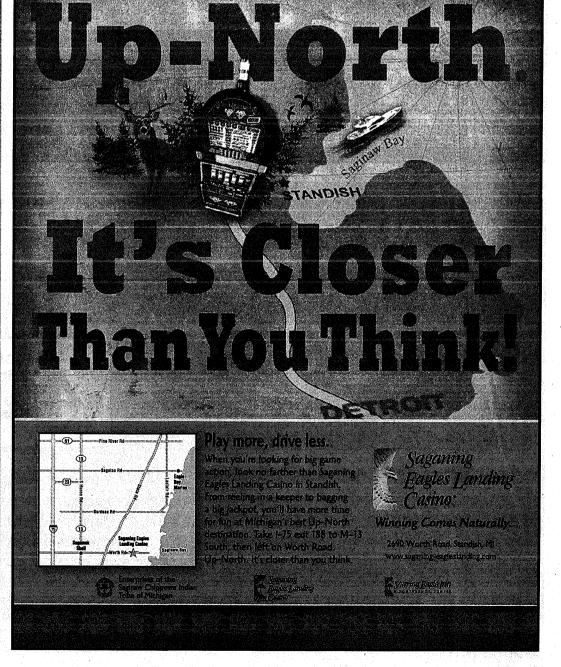
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■ The Festival Singers is a combination of Madrigal and Chamber.

Five of the six choirs meet during the school day; the Festival Singers rehearse once a week. All the rehearsal gets the choirs ready for a heavy dose of singing; the program does 39 performances between September and January.

Second semester sees fewer performances, but competition ramps up. The choir competes in Cincinnati in May, in addition to various other festivals and competitions.

"The kids love to get out in the community and give the gift of music," Kopp said. "I think they're attracted to the competitive nature of the program."

Kopp said students are also drawn to the "very challenging music" the choir tackles, citing the works of composers such as John Rutter, whose Magnificat they're doing with the Ypsilanti Symphony next month, and Eric Whitacre.

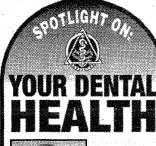
Salem High School senior Frankie DiNicola said Whitacre's I Thank You God for This Most Amazing Day is his favorite song he's had a chance to perform.

"I love that we have very challenging music simply because it furthers our knowledge in music and makes us feel very accomplished and proud," DiNicola said. "I've met many wonderful people through choir, most of which are now some of my closest friends and I am honored to have had this experience."

In addition to the firstsemester performance schedule and the second-semester competition, the choirs also get to travel. While sharpening their skill, they've played Carnegie Hall and gone to

"Being a part of the choirs has taught me so much more than musical skills," said senior Stacy Mero. "I've learned so many life lessons about respect, working with others, and pushing myself to achieve. What is even better, I've had a ton of fun in the process, and have made friends







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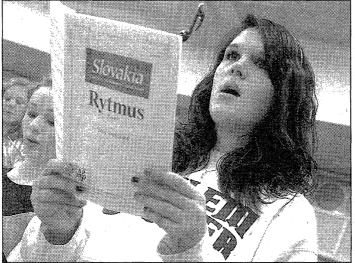
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Madrigal Singer Clare Cavicchio is one of nearly 300 singers in the district's choir program.

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that will last a lifetime."

Kopp benefits from a lot of support. With the program growing so quickly, the district this year gave Kopp an assistant — Shelley Klippel works about three hours a day with the larger groups — and there's a large parent-booster organization.

The parents support the group vigorously because they know their kids are getting more out of it than music.

"This is one of those opportunities kids have to participate in something they can take into life and apply," said Rich Mero of Plymouth. "Most everyone sings ... in the shower, in the car, in church ... they can use what they

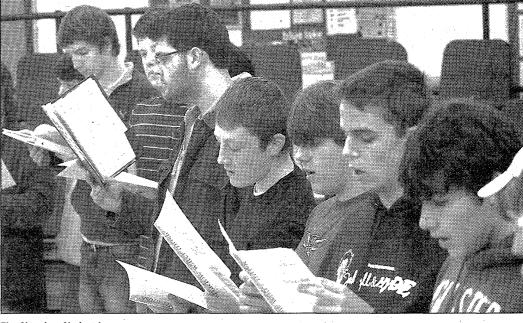
learn here. People feel things through music they don't feel about math."

While teaching and fostering a love for music is among Kopp's goals, she wants her students to learn more of life's lessons — self-respect, love and respect for others, confidence - through their participation in the program.

"I think those things are best taught in the choir environment," Kopp said. "Singing is very intimate. You are expressing your deepest thoughts and heart through song. To share that with the community - and with your peers - is a

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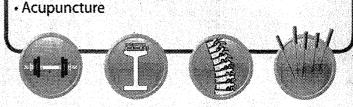
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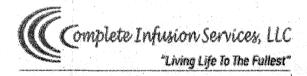
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Obama election: A day never to be forgotten

o be alive and bear witness to such a historical moment is a day that I never expected to see. On Tuesday, Nov. 4, only a few seconds after 11 p.m., some words came through my television speakers that set the stage for history to be made in this nation and the voice of Brit Hume of the Fox News Channel stated the following:

"It is just past 11 p.m. Eastern Standard Time and here at the Fox News Channel, we project the 44th president of the United States to be Illinois Sen. Barack Hussein Obama."

There could be no better way to end a day for me that began filled with so must anxiety and anxiousness. A day for me that started at 5 o'clock in the morning. Though many polls were



Eric Brown

expecting Barack Obama to fulfill his destiny, I am always of the mindset that people vote, not pollsters, so I never put a lot of stock into what they are saying. Though all the polls were pointing to the fact that Mr. Obama would become the first non-white male to become president of the United States, I still did not want to get too wrapped up

in those numbers. Besides, there was still a sense that disappointment could come for me and many others at the end of the day.

On this day and the days leading up to people from all over the country casting their vote for president, I remained enthusiastic and filled with joy of what could be. As I continued to prepare myself to head over to the precinct to participate in the polling duties for which I had signed up for, my heart raced with anticipation as if I was a kid that could not wait to open gifts that had been placed under the tree for me. My last words to my still half-sleeping wife before leaving the house were to not call or text me with any updates regarding the outcome of the election.

As I got into my car to head over to the Crescent Academy where I was working, I clicked the garage door opener and as it opened I began to reminisce on a blog I had posted over at The Detroit News political/government blog site back on Feb. 25, 2007. It was then that I wrote about the controversy surrounding Barack Obama and whether or not he was "black enough." Not only did I ask the question about "What is being black enough?," I went on to say that Mr. Obama was the best hope that African-Americans have ever had of getting a black president. My sense of the destiny facing Mr. Obama started back in August 2004, when he came before the nation to deliver the keynote speech at the Democratic National Convention in Boston, Mass.

Still giddy about the day and what it would all mean if the this historical "first" was to happen, it seemed as if my car drove itself over to the polling place. Upon arriving there a few minutes before six in the morning, I was in awe of the line that had already formed with people ready to cast their

votes. Once inside the school, there was a feeling that came across me, letting me know that I was in store for something magical happening today.

The day that many of us thought would never come to fruition and showed signs that there was inevitability in the air. It was cool to see so many first-time voters, young kids accompanying their parents to vote and older voters renewing their acquaintance with a ballot box. Then there were the sounds from the many little tykes saying to their parents, "You're voting for Barack Obama, right?" Hearing that on a regular basis added some assurances for me to begin to believe what the polls were saying, while realizing that the day that I thought would never happen was coming to be a reality. Even for me, someone that has followed politics for many, many years, this is a day that I thought I would only see while looking down on my loved ones once I made it to heaven.

There are many reasons why black people thought that we would never see a day like this past Tuesday, but we still had hope and wanted to believe in the many dreams that we have dreamt. We were not naive to the history of this country and the "we have got to be better than the majority mantra," but those that came before Barack Obama were not the people that could pull off this historical feat. I always felt that it would take the right person that could bring forth a message that resonated with all people and that is not what we got from Shirley Chisolm, Jesse Jackson, Carol Mosley-Braun or Al Sharpton. Nothing personal against any of them, but they, in my opinion, just did not have what it took to become the president of the United States. However, in Barack Obama, my gut feeling back in August 2004 told me that he could be the one.

Still, that did not prevent me from knowing that anything could have gone wrong the other night. It is for that reason why I opted not to attend any viewing parties and chose to head home after the polls closed to be with my family. If I was to be disappointed, I wanted to be in the confines of my house with my family to share that feeling as a family. However, there was no disappointment and I am glad that I kept my 7- and 12-year-old kids up with me and my wife so that they could bear witness to what ended up being a historical moment.

I am proud to say that I was able to see the day that I thought that I would never see and I hope that everyone can grasp just how monumental of a day is was. To all of the forefathers with African-American heritage that laid the groundwork for the history that was made on Tuesday, continue to smile down on us, watch over us and be proud of the moment that you will never forget as well. It just goes to show that all the struggles you went through and what you did to build this nation was not done in vain. The history that we shared the other night is your just reward for making this nation the best throughout the world.

Eric Brown, 44, has lived in Canton for 10 years.

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Veterans pay heaviest toll for our democracy

Last Tuesday, Americans turned out at the polls in record numbers to exercise their right to vote. Around 11 p.m., when most of the votes had been counted, it was declared that Barack Obama, a black man, would be the 44th president of the United States.

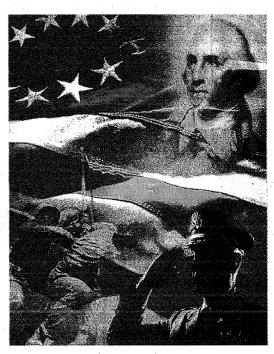
Whether or not you voted for Obama, the day will long be celebrated as a great milestone in the evolution of one of the greatest experiments in the history of mankind — American democracy. Our democracy.

Just a generation ago, Obama would have had a difficult time even voting in some parts of the country. After a vigilant civil rights movement, however, a black man will now ascend to the highest office in the land. As Obama himself said Tuesday night, it is a story that could happen only in America. We are all very fortunate to live in such a country, where freedom is the glue that holds us together.

But those freedoms come with a cost. We all owe a tremendous debt to the countless soldiers who have fought to preserve our way of life, our ideals, our democracy.

On Tuesday, we celebrate Veterans Day. It is the day we remember and honor all the military personnel who have sacrificed so much just for the privilege of being an American. The soldiers whose blood soaked the fields of Gettysburg. The Marines who charged with unblinking fury on to the sands of Iwo Jima. The airmen who strapped themselves into small boxes with wings to engage in dogfights with the Kaiser's pilots over the fields of France in World War I. George Washington's army, which survived early defeats and a miserable winter filled with doubt at Valley Forge, only to persevere and help give birth to a nation. Our nation.

But our veterans are not simply relics from the annals of history. There are millions among us today. For example, there are still about 2.5 million World War II veterans alive. Once 16 million strong, our WWII vets are dying at a rate of about 1,200 a day, and some predict they will all be gone by 2020.



There are more than 8 million veterans of the Vietnam War alive today. And let us not forget the veterans of the Korean War, Desert Storm, or the many smaller skirmishes in which we have been engaged.

As you read this, we have thousands of soldiers entrenched in Iraq and Afghanistan, fighting hostile forces hell-bent on destroying America and the freedoms we take for granted. Nearly 4,200 soldiers have died in Iraq, and more than 600 have died in Afghanistan, where the conflict is worsening after seven years of warfare.

America has never been a perfect nation. History tells us this. But we have always strived to get better. Tuesday's election was certainly evidence that we continue to take positive steps toward a more perfect union. Without the sacrifices of our veterans, however, none of it would be possible.

On Tuesday, take a few moments to think about that. And make sure you thank a veteran, if you know one. Chances are, you do.



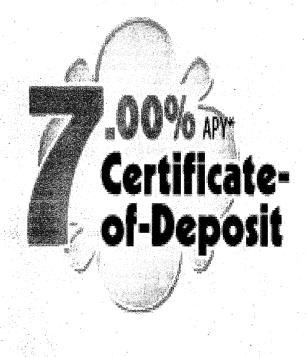
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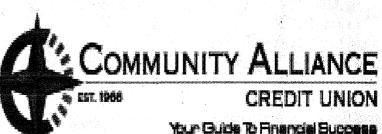
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Plymouth

spikers fall

in District

final match

BY ED WRIGHT OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Novi proved to be the host with the most during Friday night's Class A District volleyball

The loss left Plymouth's season-ending record at 18-17-4. "I was proud of our seniors for stepping up and leaving everything on the court tonight,' said Plymouth coach Kelly McCausland. "Megan Quinlan had one of her best matches and Lauren Scott had some amazing digs from their best offensive

"We knew after watching last night's semifinal match between Novi and Salem that we were going to have our work cut out for us. We knew Novi had a stronger offense than us, but we were preparing ourselves defensively to stop the front-row

Quinlan and Scott both closed their careers in style. Quinlan recorded nine kills and 10 digs

while Scott racked up 10 digs. Jenna Livingston (15 digs), Briana Beyer (13 digs) and Mandy McManus (seven kills) also sparkled for the Wildcats, who swept Northville in Thursday night's semifinal. "The other side of the bracket was a tough one with Canton,

Novi and Salem all battling for one spot in the finals," said McCausland. "Any of those three schools could have very easily

"Novi beat all three of us from

the Park, so they deserve the

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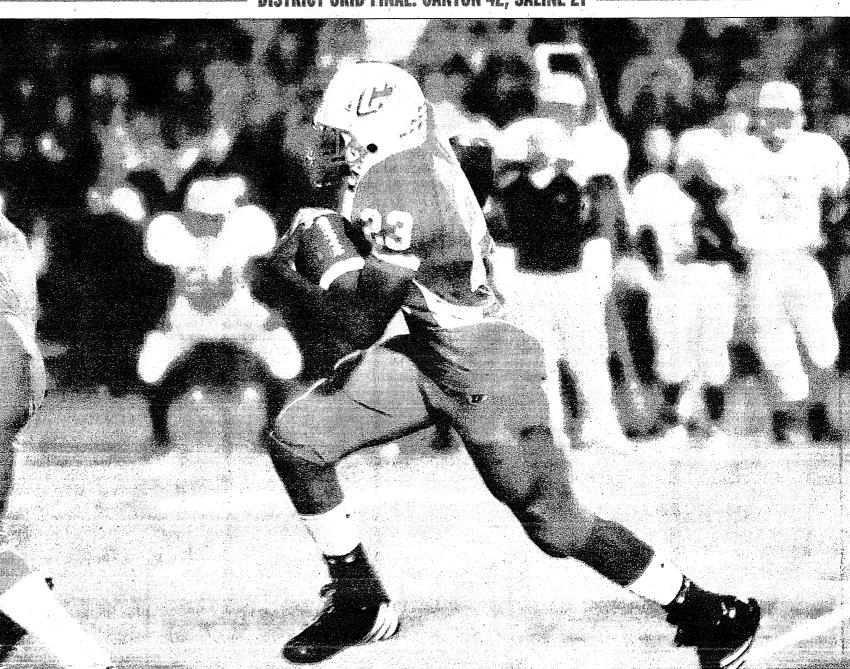
final against Plymouth. The green-clad Wildcats defeated the black-clad Wildcats 25-14, 25-14, 25-16 to move onto Tuesday's Regional semifinal at

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DISTRICT GRID FINAL: CANTON 42, SALINE 21



Canton sophomore running back Davion Stackhouse rushed for 233 yards and four touchdowns — including this 86-yarder — during the Chiefs' 42-21 victory over Saline Friday night.

Grounded Canton racks up 500 yards of offense in rout of Hornets

BY ED WRIGHT **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Beware the "Big Red Buzzsaw." That is the official nickname of Canton's tight-T offense, which ripped through Saline's defense like it was a piece of plywood during Friday night's Division 1 District title game at the PCEP varsity football stadium.

The Chiefs prevailed 42-21 to improve to 10-1 and earn a berth in next Friday's Regional final against Livonia Stevenson. The opening kickoff at the PCEP stadium is set for 7

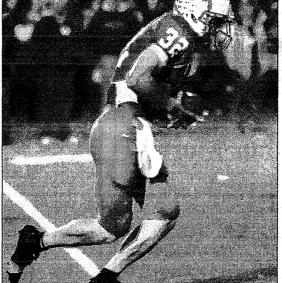
Canton's offense had its way with the Hornets, pounding out 500 total yards without punting once.

"We're red, grinding, fast, bodies flying — just like a buzzsaw," Canton coach Tim Baechler said, explaining the moniker he slapped on his offense early in his coaching tenure.

The Chiefs executed 52 offensive plays - 51 of which were runs between their packed-in tight ends.

Sophomore running back Davion Stackhouse did most of the buzzing, high-stepping his way to 233 yards on 20 carries. Among the speedster's four touchdowns was an 86-yard backbreaker that extended the Chiefs' lead to 35-14 three minutes into the third quarter.

How does Baechler explain his offense's success even when the opposing defense knows it's going to run the it.



Above, members of the Canton football program celebrated the team's Division 1 District title following Friday night's 42-21 victory over Saline. At left, Canton defensive back Nick Sweda returns one of his two interceptions Friday night. The senior now has four picks in his last three games.

ball close to 99 percent of the time? "Some teams have an excellent concept for playing against our offense," Baechler said. "There are teams around here who make it very difficult for us.

"The Rockfords of the world know how to defend it. They got their butts kicked by East Kentwood, which ran this offense years ago, and they went to work and figured out how to defend it because they were in their league. A lot of it is personnel match-ups, but you also have to know how to defend

"Saline plays against a lot of teams that run the spread, so they're not used to lining up the way they had to line up tonight. They had to walk their linebackers up to play defensive end and they had to walk their safeties up to play linebacker. They're not used to playing like that and it's hard to get used to it with just one week of practice."

Canton quarterback Kevin Delapaz's lone aerial — a 29-yard spiral — settled into the reliable arms of senior tight end Todd Turfe in the back corner of the end zone to double the Chiefs' lead to 28-14 2:54 before

halftime. Turfe has been the target of just 10 passes this season, a fact of life he

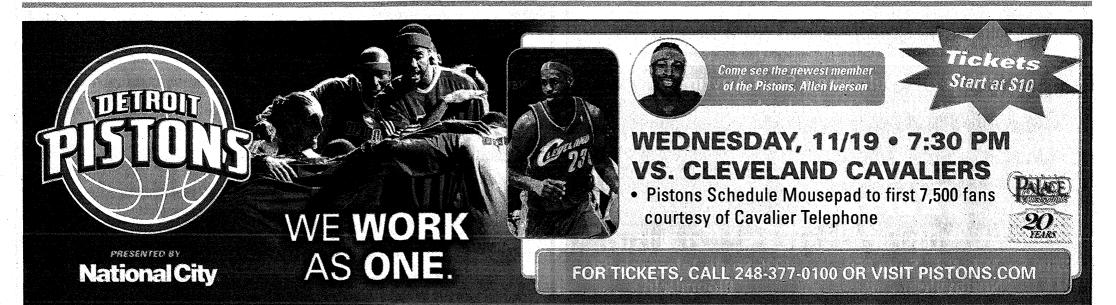
accepts with robust enthusiasm. "It's all about the team," the senior said in the wake of the Chiefs' District title trophy presentation. "Of course, I like catching touchdown passes, but I get just as hyped up when someone runs for a touchdown behind one of

my blocks.
"We're a running team. Coach

Please see CANTON, B6



Plymouth's Briana Beyer registered a team-high 13 digs in the Wildcats' Class A District final loss to Novi Friday night.



Plymouth puts it all together vs. Northville

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BY ED WRIGHT OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Following a regular season that was plagued by inconsistencies, Plymouth's volleyball team couldn't have picked a better time to put it all together Thursday night.

The Wildcats advanced to Friday's Class A District final against Novi by sweeping Northville, 25-20, 25-21, 25-23, before a vocal crowd in the Novi gymnasium.

The triumph improved coach Kelly McCausland's squad to 18-16-4 and gave everyone a glimpse of how well Plymouth can play when it brings its A game.

"We did something tonight we haven't been able to do yet this season - play well offensively and defensively throughout the same match," said McCausland. "I've been waiting for us to put those pieces of the puzzle together and it finally happened.

"We started off very, very slowly — we were down 10-1 in the first game — but the girls battled back. I give them a lot of credit for that."

Plymouth's attack was a model of balance. Danielle Risi and Mandy McManus both netted a team-high seven kills. Erin O'Connor and Katie Salo both registered 11 set assist while Lauren

Scott and Briana Beyer combined for 33 digs.

"Lauren Scott really stepped up tonight," said McCausland. "She always plays with 100 percent effort, but she kept us rolling tonight defensively."

The Wildcats seized their first lead in game one -16-15 thanks to a Megan Quinlan block and a hitting error by Northville.

Leading 22-20, Plymouth closed out the opener on back-to-back kills by McManus and an ace from

Game two was tight throughout as neither team led by more than two points until Plymouth - leading 22-21 — swept the final three points on two kills from Kayla Bridge that were sandwiched around a Salo ace.

Northville never quit and took a late 22-21 lead in game three on a Kelly Maise kill.

However, the Wildcats put an exclamation point on the sweep by scoring the final two points when Kelly Smoltz recorded a block and a kill on successive plays.

"This was the first time we had seen Northville this season, so (Northville coach) Tom Teeters and I were coming in blank," McCausland said. "We didn't know what to expect and I'm sure they didn't either."

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Canton battles Novi before falling in four

BY ED WRIGHT OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Canton's volleyball team played like there was no tomorrow throughout Tuesday night's Class A District tournament opener against host Novi.

The Chiefs threw their bodies across the Novi gymnasium floor with reckless abandon in attempts to turn kills into digs, and they attacked the net like every block would be the difference-maker.

Unfortunately, the all-out effort came up short against the Wildcats, who pulled the curtain down on Canton's ultra-successful season, 25-12, 24-26, 25-19, 26-24.

The setback closed out the careers of four highly accomplished Canton seniors: Kacy Moran, Gina Waite, Shelby Anthony and Janelle Burdiss, who helped lead the team to a school-record win total.

Junior outside hitter Jordan Kielty paced Canton's offensive attack with 23 kills. Freshman outside hitter Kirsten Muir contributed 11 kills.

Novi, which improved to 30-8-8, was paced by senior middle blocker Sarah Robb, who racked up 22 kills and junior middle blocker Julia Thomas, who notched 11 kills.

Sophomore libero Laura Subject sparkled defensively for the Wildcats, registering 36

After dropping a one-sided game one, the Chiefs trailed 23-21 in the second game before staging a dramatic comeback.

A Kielty kill brought Canton to within 23-22, however, Novi's Erica Robb countered with a successful hit of her own to make it

The Chiefs evened the match at one game apiece by earning the final four points: the first on a Kielty kill, the next two on Moran

service aces and the final game-deciding point on a Waite block.

The first third of game three was tight and Canton led 9-8 thanks largely to four Kielty slams. However, the Sarah Robb-led Wildcats reeled off a 10-5 run before holding on for a six-point win.

The Chiefs appeared on the verge of forcing a deciding game five as they built a 23-21 advantage in game four.

Trailing 21-20, Canton evened things up when Waite hit the floor for a point-saving dig before Allison Trapp knocked down a kill seconds later.

The combination of two strong serves from Waite and a pair of hitting errors by the Wildcats gave Canton a 23-21 edge, however, Novi prevailed thanks to kills from Sarah Robb and Kim Hildreth.

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Wildcats edge Rocks in five-game thriller

BY ED WRIGHT OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Thursday night's Salem-Novi Class A District semifinal volleyball match was good to the last block.

In an epic, five-game struggle featuring two deep, balanced teams, the Wildcats prevailed 10-25, 25-21, 28-30, 25-23, 15-11, to advance to Friday night's final against Plymouth.

The Rocks, who finished with a stellar 32-12-1 record, closed to within 12-10 in game five when Jillian Sommerville's sensational

kill, however, Novi sealed the deal by scoring three of the final four points - the last two coming on a block and kill off the palms of Wildcat star Sarah Robb.

"The girls fought really hard all night," said Salem coach Amanda Suder. "Our biggest problem was not keeping the momentum after we won the first game 25-10. When you win like that, you shouldn't look back.

"I was pretty confident going into the final game because we had only lost one match in five games all year

dig led to a Kelly MacDonald — that was to Novi early in the season. We just fell apart in game four and we couldn't recover.'

Salem's one-two outside hitting punch of senior Kelly MacDonald and Nicole Merget were brilliant most of the night. Merget finished with a team-high 24 kills while MacDonald posted 21 kills and 12 digs.

Salem senior Jansan Falcusan closed out her career with a spectacular display of hustle and skill, registering 54 assists and 21 digs.

"I'm going to miss my entire group of seniors," said Suder, referring to Falcusan, MacDonald, Tracy Whalen, Erin Classen, Kelly Gitre, Katie Janda, Becky Davis and Katie Parr. "Jansan was the best setter I've ever coached — and probably ever will coach at the high school level — and Kelly MacDonald is one of the best hitters in the state.

"It was a great core group of girls. It's just sad they couldn't have ended up on

the other side tonight." The Rocks owned the Wildcats in the first game, outscoring them 11-1 over the final 12 points. Merget was on fire at the net, notching

seven kills and three blocks. Game two was knotted at 11-all mid-way through before Novi rode the hitting of sophomore Erica Robb to a

The pivotal game three was a tension-packed as it gets. The momentum swung back and forth like a pendulum during the latter stages until the Rocks finally chalked up a 30-28 victory thanks to

back-to-back kills by Merget. Salem led 20-19 in game four, but couldn't close the deal. Trailing 24-22, the Rocks stayed alive on a clutch kill by Sommerville, however, Sarah Robb followed with a no-doubt kill to send the match to a game five.

Novi never trailed in the final game, building leads of 5-1 and 10-5.

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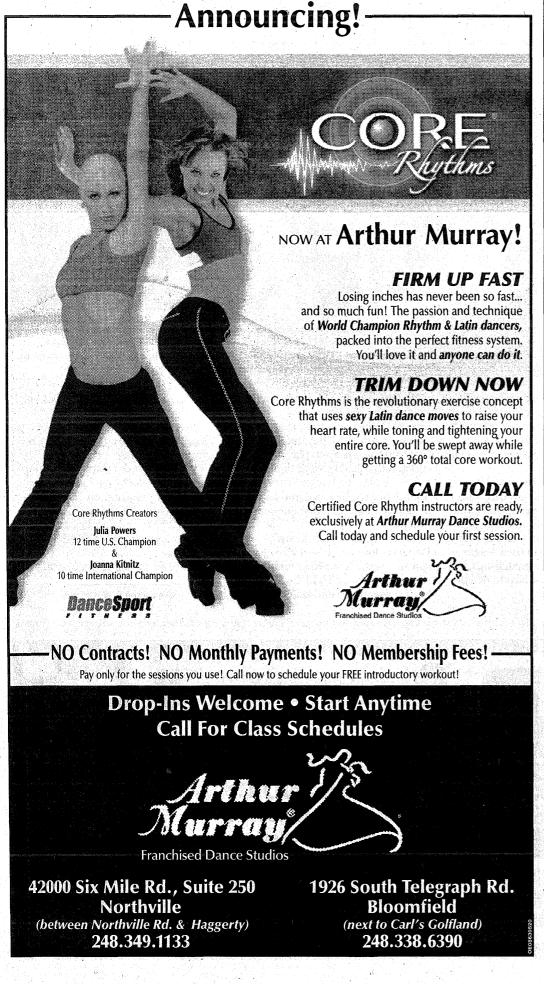
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All-Observer golfers possess drive to be champs

FIRST TEAM
BERLYNN BEAVER, SR., WAYNE: The senior was the only individual state qualifier after shooting a 92 to place seventh at the Division 1 regional held at Giant Oak Golf

In the state finals, Beaver carded a 95. She also earned All-Kensington Conference honors by shooting an 86 at

'She has a pretty good all-around game," Wayne co-coach Dennis Chall said of the repeat All-Area selection. "She putts well and hits her driver long – and pretty darn straight, too. She works on her game. She's

LEXÍ McFARLANE, SR., LIVONIA CHURCHILL: The senior captain was named the team's MVP after she spearheaded an undefeated season that featured KLAA and KLAA South Division titles for the Chargers. She led Churchill with a 46.4 nine-hole average and 93.8 18-hole average. McFarlane earned All-Conference honors after finishing fourth at the league meet.

Lexi's competitive spirit and moxie will be hard to replace next year," said Churchill coach Paul Worley

ADRIENNE JONES, JR., REDFORD THURSTON: The three-year player registered an impressive 43.2 nine-hold stroke average in dual matches. She was co-medalist at the Mega White Division tournament and earned All-League and All-Conference for the third year in a row.

"Adrienne is constantly working at her game, and won a couple of local tournaments over the summer," said Thurston coach Brian Gulick. "She has been captain for the last two years and is a valuable asset to the team as a player and a mentor to the underclassmen.

CHELSEA OSBURN, SR., CANTON: The four-year letter-winner was the medalist in six dual meets this past fall. She was a Division medalist her sophomore and junior seasons and a conference medalist

"Chelsea is a sound, fundamental player in all aspects of her golf game," said Canton coach Dan Riggs.

JESSICA BURDETTE, SR., LIVONIA CHURCHILL: The senior captain enjoyed an extremely consistent season, averaging 46.7 strokes for nine holes and 98.3 for 18. She saved her best for last, placing ninth overall at the KLAA Tournament to earn All-Conference honors. Burdette was med-

ALL-OBSERVER GIRLS GOLF

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Natalie Polakowski, Sr., Liv, Franklin
Kara Gregory, Sr., Canton
Jordyn Shepler, Fr., Liv. Churchill
Gabrielle Sabatini, Sr., Liv. Stevenson
Katelyn Papler, Sr., Liv. Ladywood
Samantha McAtee, Sr., Liv. Franklin
COACH OF THE YEAR
Paul Worley, Liv, Churchill

Paul Worley, Liv. Churchi HONORABLE MENTION Churchill: Sarah Linder, Stephanie Panaretos; Franklin: Georgia Patrick, Alexis Smith; Stevenson: Natalie Ciccchelli, Shelby Plichota, John Glenn: Courtney McKinney, Michell Bishop, Justine Woodard; Wayne: Taylor Tuttle; Ladywood; Val Dimilia, Marissa Ley, Taylor Romano, Canton: Erin Lixie, Mary Elizabeth Winther; Plymouth: LeAnn O'Shaughnessy, Chloe Marentic; Thurston: Jacqueline Pennington.

alist in three dual matches.

"Jessica has a great demeanor on the course," said Worley. "Nothing would bother her. She would just get the job done. Her quick wit was great to have around and she will be missed next year."

HEIDI IRVINE, JR., WESTLAND GLENN: Irvine led the Rockets to eight dual-match victories with a nine-hole scoring average of 46.1. She was the medalist in five of the nine dual matches she competed in this

"This coming summer, Heidi plans on playing a lot of the Metro Parks Golf Tournaments in preparation for her senior year," said John Glenn coach Steve Pilon.

SECOND TEAM NATALIE POLAKOWSKI, SR., LIVONIA

FRANKLIN: A senior captain, Polakowski averaged 49.7 in dual matches and 105 in 18-hole tournaments. She was the medalist in four dual matches with a low round of 41 and she placed fifth at the Franklin Golf Invitational.

KARA GREGORY, SR., CANTON: The fouryear varsity letter winner was a three-time medalist this past fall for the Chiefs. She was a Division medalist as a junior and conference medalist as a senior.

"Kara has outstanding leadership quali-

ties and is a solid ball-striker off the tee," said Riggs.

JORDYN SHEPLER, FR., LIVONIA

CHURCHILL: The freshman finished with the Chargers' third-lowest nine-hole average (49.6). Her best 18-hole round was a 94 at the Grosse Ile Invitational and she was

the medalist in two dual matches. "Jordyn has a lot of talent at a young age and it will be fun to watch her game devel-

op over the next three years," said Worley.

'Î'm glad she is a Charger."

GABRIELLE SABATINI, SR., LIVONIA STEVENSON: Sabatini was voted the Spartans' MVP the past two seasons. She was the team's lowest-scoring player 10 times, knocking four strokes off her ninehole average since her junior year.

"Gabrielle was everything a coach could ask for this season," said Stevenson coach Jason Delo. "She took charge of many of the day-to-day tasks that needed to be done and made sure they were done. She was an excellent role model for our new-comers and helped to make sure that things were taken care of every day in regards to creating an excellent team

atmosphere."
KATELYN PAPLER, SR., LIVONIA LADYWOOD: The senior captain was voted the Blazers' MVP in a vote of her teammates after averaging 52.0 in dual matches and 106 in 18-hole tournaments. The three-year varsity letter-winner fired a 99 in the Ladywood Invitational.

Katelyn has worked hard the last couple of years to improve her game," said Ladywood coach Kellianne Nagy. "She is a solid player who you can always count on. She is a leader on and off the course. Katelyn is looking attending Madonna to pursue a nursing career.' SAMANTHA MCATEE, SR., LIVONIA

FRANKLIN: The senior captain averaged 49.9 in nine-hole dual matches and a 105 average in 18-hole tournaments. Among her highlights was a top-10 finish at the Franklin Golf Invitational

PAUL WORLEY, LIVONIA CHURCHILL, COACH OF THE YEAR: The veteran mentor led the Chargers to an unbeaten regular season and first place in the inaugural season of the Kensington Lakes Activities Association. Under Worley's guidance, the Chargers also earned a fifth-place tie in their highly competition Division 1 Regional tournament at Giant Oak Golf



Berlynn Beaver Wayne Memorial



Lexi McFarlane Churchill



Adrienne Jones

Thurston



Chelsea Osburn Canton



Jessica Burdette Churchill



Heidi Irvine John Glenn



Natalie Polakowski Franklin





Jordyn Shepler Churchill



Livonia Stevenson



Ladywood



Paul Worley Churchill, Coach of Year

Madonna women drop Indiana Tech tops MU, earns WHAC top seed two, remain winless

The Madonna University women's basketball team is still searching for its first win.

Playing back-to-back nights, the Crusaders fell to 0-4 on the year with a 57-47 loss Thursday night at Indiana University-

South Bend. Katie Hacker led the victorious Titans (1-1) with 19 points and eight rebounds, while teammate

Lizzie Stapke added 10 points. MU, which couldn't hold a 28-25 halftime lead, shot only 32 percent from the floor (16-of-50)

and was outrebounded 36-30. Alyssa Guerin paced MU with 15 points, while Tabatha Wydryck added nine. Kim Olech (Plymouth) had a team-high eight rebounds.

MU committed 21 turnovers. BETHEL (IND.) 65, MADONNA 64: In the WHAC-MCC Challenge Wednesday, visiting Bethel College (1-1) held on for the victory to spoil the home opener

Madonna (0-3). Brittany Cook hit the game-winning shot, a short jumper in the lane, with seven seconds left. The Crusaders' last gasp effort fell short and MU suffered its second straight one-point loss.

Alvssa Guerin led four Madonna players in double figures with 14 points, while Tabatha Wydryck added 12. Sheryl Jager and Katie Mount each

contributed 11 for the Crusaders. Christie Carrico and Kim Olech

grabbed eight boards apiece. Mandy Yoder led Bethel with 21 points, while Amber Peters tallied a double-double with a game-high 21 rebounds to go along with 11 points. Heather Seyfred also scored 17 points.

The No. 10-ranked Madonna University wopmen's volleyball team dropped its regular season finale on Friday night in four sets to host Indiana Tech.

The loss drops MU to 13-1 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference and 33-4 overall. while No. 15 Tech improves to 13-1 and 29-2. MU and Tech share the regular season title and the Warriors will be the number one seed by virtue of the WHAC's tiebreaking procedure and will host the WHAC semifinals and finals next weekend in Fort Wayne.

Ashley Hamilton led Tech with 16 kills, while Erika Stouder and Ashtyn Humerickhouse added 15

and 14, respectively. Michelle Fitzpatrick had 24 digs, while setter Laura Booker

finished with 54 assists. Whitney Fuelling (14 kills),

Lubovj Tihomirova (12) Mary McGinnis (10) led the Crusaders' hitting attack. Setter Inta Grinvalds had 37 assist-to-kills, while Amanda Koszela finished with 19 digs. Megan Fricke also had 11 digs.

Crusaders clinch share

Fuelling racked up 16 kills, six

block assists and two solo blocks, while McGinnis added 15 kills as MU clinched at least a share of its 12th straight WHAC title with a 20-25, 25-20, 25-19, 25-20 triumph Thursday over host Davenport University. Tihomirova added nine kills, while setter Inta Grinvalds finished with 43 assistto-kills for the Crusaders, who

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improved to 33-3 overall and 13-0 in the WHAC. Koszela had a team-high 11 digs for MU, which can win the title

outright with a win Friday night at Indiana Tech. Kailey Schultz had 11 kills for Davenport (15-25, 6-8), while Autumn Williams added nine. Kayla Vandermolen had 41 assists.

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Diabetics should get foot checkups

Over 500,000 people across Michigan, 50 percent of them living in southeast Michigan, are battling diabetes and its complications. Staying one step ahead of the disease has never been more important.

More than 60 percent of non-traumatic, lower-limb amputations in the United States occur among people with diabetes. Because of this, the Michigan Podiatric Medical Association has launched "Elect to Save Your Feet" during Diabetes Awareness Month in November. The campaign aims to educate the public about the importance of seeing a podiatrist regularly to prevent diabetic, lower limb amputations.

"Getting your feet examined by a physician during an annual checkup is one of the easiest ways to prevent most foot complications related to diabetes," said Dr. Crystal Holmes, a podiatrist at the University of Michigan Health System and public relations chair of MPMA. "Comprehensive education and early intervention are key factors in the prevention of foot problems in people with diabetes and has the potential to reduce amputations by 45 to 85 percent. Self treatment can often turn a minor problem into a major

Those with diabetes are ore prope to develop foo infections and wounds/sores, also called ulcers, which can quickly result in amputation. Preventing amputation means knowing all of the main warning signs.

Other common diabetes warning signs in the feet besides ulcers include a tingling or loss of feeling in the feet, redness, a change in the shape of the feet, loss of hair, cuts and scrapes that are

slow to heal. To download free information on foot care prevention, visit the Michigan Podiatric Medical Association's Web site at www.mpma.org, or visit a local podiatrist.



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Marty Figley talks about her struggles with dementia. Figley is the former garden writer for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

Could it be dementia?

Screenings first step in diagnosing memory loss

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN O&E STAFF WRITER

Marty Figley knew something was wrong when she was having trouble writing her garden column for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers three years ago. Her memory problems have only wor ened since retiring.

Figley, who remained popular with Oakland and western Wayne County readers for 18 years, seems lost. She goes back and forth between being able to answer questions coherently and wandering with her thoughts. She still remembers vividly the newspapers' annual tallest sunflower contest, but has trouble getting dressed. This is the same Birmingham woman who used to lead garden clubs on trips all over the United States.

"I was getting tired toward the end of the column and started to say silly things," said Figley.

Lou started noticing something was wrong about the same time as his wife of 54 years. Figley would go to the women's room and become disoriented. She was later diagnosed as having Lewys bodies, a form of dementia that shares characteristics with Alzheimer's and Parkinson's diseases. But Figley isn't hiding the fact. She only hopes her story helps others determine the cause of their

NATIONAL MEMORY SCREENING DAY

What: Free confidential memory screenings on Tuesday, Nov. 18, to promote early detection of Alzheimer's disease and dementia

When: The Birmingham Maple Clinic has scheduled screenings 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Troy Community Center, 3179 Livernois. For information, call (248) 646-6659. Botsford Commons Seniors Community, 21450 Archwood Circle, Farmington Hills, is by appointment only. Call (248) 426-6930.

Where: For a list of locations, visit www.nationalmemoryscreening.org

memory loss.

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

On Tuesday, Nov. 18, numerous locations around the area will offer mini mental tests as part of National Memory Screening Day. Ralph Stromberg, mental health therapist at Birmingham Maple Clinic in Troy, says the results are not conclusive but suggest a problem that should be followed up with a physician. Symptoms such as confusion can be caused by a number of diseases including diabetes and thyroid problems.

"Those are things you have to rule out," said Stromberg. "I saw an elderly woman experiencing a lot of anxiety and came in and said her memory wasn't really good. She had a substance abuse problem with alcohol. Are her memory issues associated with alcoholism that could cause destruction of brain cells? That's what we had to

Stromberg is hoping to start therapeutic groups for people with dementias as the aging population continues to grow. Today, Alzheimer's affects about 4.5 million Americans and accounts for 60 percent of dementias

Figley began seeing Stromberg four months ago when she couldn't stop worrying about everything including dying. When she first received the diagnosis Figley was so depressed she couldn't stop

"She's having a tough time because things are not the same," said Lou Figley of his wife who is no longer able to use a computer.

Life has changed not only for Marty but Lou who takes care of her. The two do everything together including attending Alzheimer's support group meetings twice a month. It's important for people with dementia to stay busy. Stromberg encourages her to become more active in her circle at church.

"There are things that can help: music therapy, diet and exercise, therapeutic gardens, acupuncture. The more mental stimulation you provide it could delay advancement of the disease. Life isn't over and there are things that can be done until you reach a point where you can no longer do it," said Stromberg. "Medications like Aricept, Razadyne, Exelon are used to delay advancement into late stages of the disease which runs three to 10 years. You don't have to think that you're doomed forever and locked in a house.'

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The play Turfe scored on the 27 pass — takes advantage of all the attention the defense has to devote to the Chiefs' running game.

"We high-low the safety on that play," said Turfe. "I went deep and Kiere (Daniels) went low. The safety took Kiere and it left me wide open.

"Somebody's usually open on that play. It's just a matter of making the catch after it's in the air that long.

"Delapaz is a great quarterback. I love that kid. Before the games, we do a little handshake and we talk. I let him know I'm out there for him and that I trust him as our quarterback."

After yielding touchdowns on Saline's first two possessions, Canton's defense went into lock-down mode. Led by Ryan Dunleavy, David Wilcox, Nick Sweda, Bryan Gerst, Justin Sneddon, Alex Dixon and Pat Madish, the Chiefs

stoned the Hornets' potent offense from mid-way through the second quarter to the closing moments of the contest when Saline managed a meaningless score with 3:24 left.

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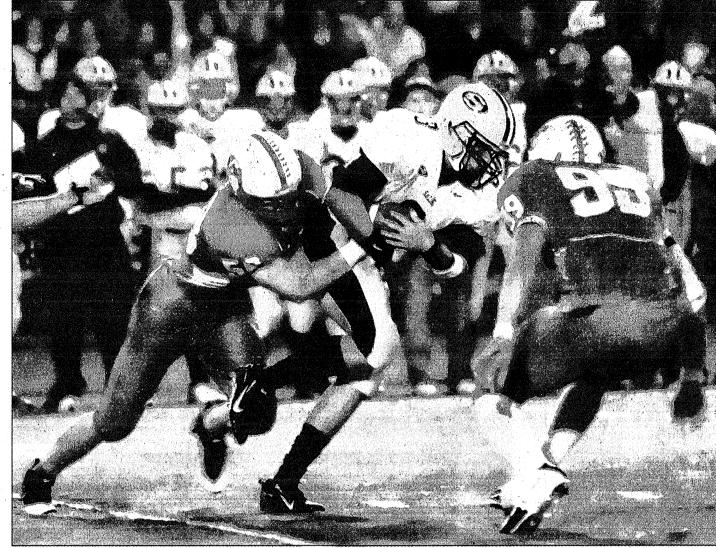
Canton forced three turnovers on a pair of Sweda picks - he now has four in his last three games — and a Sneddon red-zone fumble recovery that snuffed out a Saline drive just before the half.

The Chiefs' biggest stop came on Saline's third drive when they forced a three-andout thanks in large part to a first-down sack of quarterback Nick Moeller by Madish and Dakota Dark-Bird.

"Up until that point, it looked like it was going to be another track meet," said Baechler. "That stop was huge because we scored on our next drive to go up 28-14. The fumble recovery was big too because we were kicking off to them to start the second half."

If you got caught up in pregame traffic, there's a good chance you missed two touchdowns - one by each team in the game's first two minutes and 11 seconds. Canton's came on a 68-yard sprint by Daniels on the third play from scrimmage. Saline answered two plays later on a 5-yard TD run by Travis Owens.

Canton seized a 14-7 lead on



Canton's Pat Madish (left) and Dakota Dark-Bird combine to sack Saline quarterback Nick Moeller during the third quarter of Friday night's Division 1 District final football game.

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a 1-yard plunge by Stackhouse with 58 seconds left in the first quarter. Saline knotted things up at 14-all on a 27-yard run by Moeller with 8:41 remaining in the half.

Moeller's run turned out to be the last hurrah for Saline, which was outscored 28-0 over the ensuing 29 minutes. The Chiefs' final four TDs were the result of three Stackhouse scoring runs (from 53, 86 and 8 yards out) and the Delapazto-Turfe hook-up.

Saline's final touchdown came on a 17-yard TD pass from Moeller to Evan

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The Hornets gained 394 total yards.

Daniels complemented Stackhouse's big night with 133 yards of his own on 13 attempts. Junior fullback Adam Payter picked up 53 yards on 10 carries and

Delapaz notched 47 on six runs.

Canton dominated time of possession, 29:19 to 18:36. Chief senior kicker Daniel Stoney nailed all six of his extra-point attempts.

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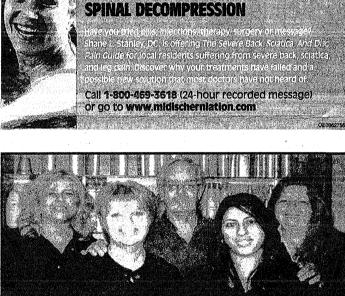
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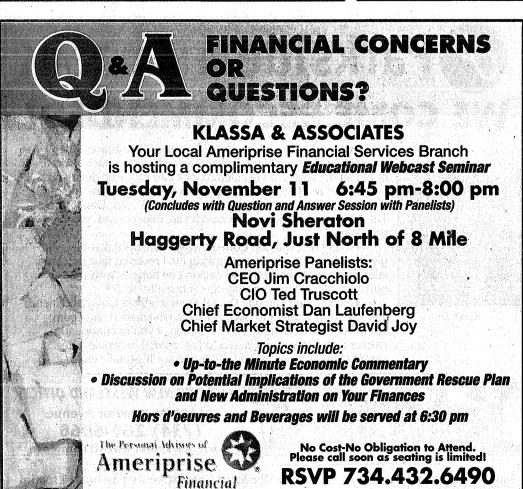
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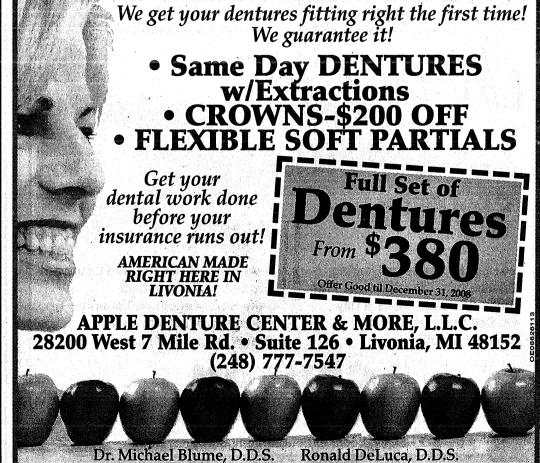




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Schoolcraft College student Michelle Dean designed the cover for the Plymouth Canton Symphony Society children's CD. Special guests at the CD release were the Livonia Youth Choir directed by Ariel Toews, and the Dearborn Elementary and Middle School Honors Choirs, director James Walter.

CD event brought magical tales to life

usic brings joy to all ages and nowhere was that more true than at a CD release party for the Plymouth Canton Symphony Society's Magical Tunes & Marvelous Tales on Nov. 1, at the Penn Theatre. Moms, dads and kids squealed with delight as conductor Nan Washburn led them through one of the songs that introduces orchestral instruments.

The CD is a dream come true for Washburn, now in her 10th season as conductor of the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra, one of the many facets of Plymouth Canton Symphony Society programming. She first came up with idea for the children's CD 12 years ago after



Linda Chomin

commissioning Island of the Blue Dolphins for a California orchestra she was conducting at the time. All of the music on the recording was written by composer friends of Washburn.

"It's all music I've taken to schools over the years and was thinking why wasn't this recorded," said

Washburn. "This is music kids love." Washburn gathered members of the PSO's Celebration Youth Orchestra and Flute Choir to perform a few of the selections recorded by the musicians of the Studio Orchestra of the Plymouth Symphony Society in Stockmeyer Auditorium in Wayne Memorial High School. Afterward, the Plymouth Uptown Players acted out Jack and the Beanstalk, one of the selections on the CD that tells the classic tale through music and narration. The PSO plays several of the pieces every year for fourth-grade students in Plymouth-Canton and Wayne-Westland schools as part of their Koncert for Kids to introduce children to classical music.

"The music is all contemporary American composers, something that's been a trademark for our orchestra," said PSO executive director Beth Stewart. "There's always a contemporary American composer on each of our season programs.

"The recording was done by students at Schoolcraft College. It was a great learning experience for them. It was a great collaboration to work with Schoolcraft. The graphic design class designed the whole thing and did a phenomenal job. The cover is just beautiful."

It's good to see not only the college but arts organization in the community collaborating. Saturdays @ the Penn is a joint venture of the Plymouth Community Arts Council and Plymouth Canton Symphony Society to present variety shows for families at noon on the first Saturday of the month at the Penn Theatre in Plymouth. Washburn and the PSO return Jan. 3, 2009, for a show spotlighting guest performances by Josh White Jr. and Jake Maloney, the Yo Yo Guy. Dec. 6 features Beverly Meyer, The Music Lady, and Josh & Roy, a comedy juggling act. Special musical host for Feb. 7, 2009, and March 7, 2009, when the PSO return once again, is Guy Louis and Chautauqua Express. The oneman band had kids dancing in the aisles for the CD release. The series is a continuation of the arts council's Music in the Park held at noon Wednesdays throughout the summer. Tickets are only \$3 to make shows affordable.

"Today is special because the CD is created locally," said Deb Madonna, Music in the Park artistic director. "How many kids get to see something like this?"

Magical Tunes & Marcelous Tales costs \$15 and is available by calling (734) 451-2112 or at www.plymouthsymphony.org.

For more information about Saturdays @ the Penn, visit www.PennSaturdays.com.

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Celebrating Veterans Day with stories

A few weeks ago, the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers invited veterans to share their photos and stories of military service, in celebration of Veterans Day on Tuesday, Nov. 11.

We received an overwhelming response. Many described near-death experiences in battle. Others spoke of war-time romance. We even heard from a husband and wife, Victor and Lorraine Waling of Livonia, who both served from 1944-46. He was a sailor and she served in the Women's Army Corps. Although their stories may differ, The Walings and their fellow veterans share a common bond as veterans and a mutual love of country.

What better way to celebrate their service than to read about it in their own words?

– Sharon Dargay, O&E staff writer



Cheryl A. Vatcher-Martin of Canton in uniform during the early 1980s.



Richard Burr (left) of Redford in Korea



Today Richard Burr of Redford enjoys playing golf.

Stationed in Korea

The picture by the monument was taken in January 1952 at the 38th Parallel on the road to Seoul, South Korea. I was driving the soldier on the right back to Seoul so that he could return to the States on an emergency leave due to a serious illness of his father.

The monument marks the spot on were the war started on the 38th which was the dividing line between the North and South Korea. We were stationed 30 miles north of the 38th with the 45th Army Division, 189th Field Artillery by Pork Chop, Old Baldy and T-Bone hills.

Richard Burr

From legal assistant to teacher

I was fortunate to have garnered a multitude of military occupational specialties during the time I served in the military. Working in the Judge Advocate General's Corp as a legal assistant was fulfilling. I enjoyed training my peers on various aspects of being a legal assistant and soldier.

In a way, the military prepared me for the work that I would perform as a civilian, too. It was during the early 1990s when I was asked by one of my superiors who was a practicing attorney and an officer in the Army Reserves to train the legal staff on the finer aspects of common tasks that were performed with weapons and the setting up of landmines. To this day I am still not sure why I was asked to perform the training class, but it went exceptionally well and of course I've been teaching ever since! I was also honored to go to the National Archives in Washington, D.C. to provide research materials for a story honoring World War II heroes from the 70th Training Division that was written and published in the early 1990s. This fueled my desire to write and research everything!

> Cheryl A. Vatcher-Martin, M.A. Ret. Army Sergeant, Canton



Cheryl A. Vatcher- Martin of Canton wearing a DAV Commander's cap last year.



Sam J. Gagliano while in the U.S. Navy

Sam J. Gagliano of Westland

sam J. Gagliano of Westland shows off his military photo.

Old uniform still fits

I was 16 years old and living in Birmingham, Ala., when Pearl Harbor was bombed. I knew right away that I wanted to fight for my country, so I quit school.

In June 1943 I joined the U.S. Navy as part of a Navy Amphibious Land Unit called ACORN 34 and was stationed at Clark Field Air Base in Manila.

I also participated in the Philippine Liberation in the Lingayen Gulf of Luzon.

The ships I served on were the USS Pocomoke and two destroyers, the USS John Weeks and the USS Hanesworth. In 1946 I received an honorable discharge as an Electrician's Mate Third Class, but still continued to serve in the Navy.

On June 12, 2002, Dan Willenborg, principal of Livonia Franklin High School, presented me with an honorary high school diploma. My wife and I were also invited to the Senior Prom.

My grandson Jason J.
Forster DCFN is currently in the U.S. Navy assigned to the USS Boone. In January 2007 I flew to San Juan, Puerto Rico and boarded his ship. From there I was able to sail for three days with the sailors to Mayport, Fla., where the ship is docked. Surprisingly, my uniform

still fit!
I recently went to
Washington D.C. to
visit the World War II
Memorial. There, I was
greeted and saluted by
many tourists and thanked
for serving my country. I
am now a lifetime member
of the Stanley Romanowski
VFW Post 6896. My wife
Rosalie and I are residents
of Westland.

Sam J. Gagliano Westland

Serving in Vietnam



Samuel Laswell of Redford boards a C-141 cargo 4 jet engine aircraft.

I served in the Air
Force from 1966 to 1970,
the most heated time of
the Vietnam War. I was
drafted just seven days
after my wife and I were
married. Because of a
technicality, I was able
to enlist for four years in
the Air Force instead.

My duty was mainly at Elmendorf AFB, Ark., where I serviced C-141 cargo aircraft, bound for Vietnam. Many planes carried troops who eventually fought there. Many planes returning from Vietnam were either "Med-Evac" flights taking wounded soldiers to stateside hospitals for further care, or sadly, flights carrying the bodies of those men and women who died there.

It was my goal to do my best as a technician and not hinder in any way the journey of those soldiers so that as many as possible would one day return safely home, or if that were not possible, to assist their jour-



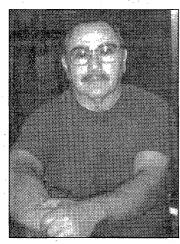
Samuel Laswell of Redford

ney to their final resting place.

My wife didn't learn about my experience seeing their bodies return until just recently. I don't know why I didn't tell her sooner, but found some freedom from those hard memories when I finally shared them with her.

Samuel Laswell Sergeant E-4, Honorably Discharged Redford

For more stories from local veterans, see Pages C2, C3, and C4,



Paul Speen of Garden City

On March 2, 1953, I was drafted into the army at the ripe old age of 19 years old. I had to be at Fort Wayne on West Jefferson at 7 a.m., where I was sworn in. After a couple of days there we were bused to Camp Custer in Battle Creek, issued our clothing, given G.I. called "Flying Twenty."

After a few days there we were flown to Georgia and bused to Camp Steward, Ga. Now called Fort Steward, we were put into the 549th AAA Gun Battalion and trained on

90 mm anti-aircraft guns. After basic training in August 1953, we were told we were shipping out, put on a train and traveled to Camp Kilmor, N.J., where we were given shots, issued heavy win-

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WINTER & ARTHRITIS

Winter in Michigan is difficult for anyone in Michigan with arthritis. Foremost

among the problems are the hazardous conditions that include cold, short days

with light lessened by clouds and slippery conditions on stairs, walks and

Walking is an activity done by the whole body; in a Michigan winter, a person

with arthritis of hips, knee or feet is obviously at risk for a fall. However, an

individual with arthritis in a shoulder, wrist, or hand also takes on an additional

hazard. Pain or weakness in an upper limb makes righting after a slip difficult as

their extra laces, and greater weight, gloves or mittens that may not fit properly in

arthritic and displaced fingers, and prolonged sitting in cars because of slower

speeds and winter induced traffic jams. Often, a person with arthritis is able to

function well as long as he or she places no added strain on the joints. The extra

work of self care that winter brings adds a stress that the joints do not bear well.

of year is hard psychologically. For someone with arthritis, the sense of difficulty

becomes deepened because the physical problems are at their worse.

The lack of sunshine and the gloom of winter take a toll. For all of us this time

Winter brings on the need for heavy coats that have extra buttons, boots with

the body reacts to protest the impaired joint even if it means a more severe fall.



haircuts and our first army pay, Paul Speen sets up a gun site in August 1953 in Thule, Greenland.

ter clothing and taken down to the harbor where we boarded a troop ship and were told we were headed for the Arctic, a place called Thule in North Western Greenland. This was the height of the cold war when Russia was known as the Iron Curtain and the Red Menace and the U.S. Air Force was building a huge air base in Thule and it was being built in complete secrecy.

The plan was to have an air base closer to Russia in case hostilities broke out between us and Russia and we were sent to Thule to set up our gun sites and provide defense for the air base in case that happened. It was quite an adventure for a 19-year-old and I served with a bunch of really great guys.

Paul A. Speen Garden City

Joe Gannon

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Arctic duty during the Cold War From driving dignitaries to supplies

Uncle Sam called him in March 5, 1941.

He was at Selfridge Air Force Base and drove digni-

taries around in Michigan. When war broke out he was put on the Elery P. Niles boat to plant mines in

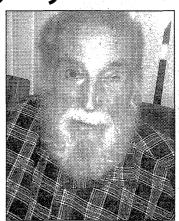
the mouth of the Columbia Then he was sent to Wake

Island. He was still on the ship when it fell.

He was 42 days in the ship and sent out to New Caledonia where he was a truck driver from depot to warehouse. From there he went to California to be rehabilitated.

From there we went to Columbus, Ohio and was discharged.

He has a memory disorder.



Angelo Gatteri of Westland

He would never talk about the war except the fun he and his buddies had.

He did say that at night they could see the bombs bursting and they had alarms going off.



Angelo Gatteri of Westland during

Angelo Gatteri, 90, of Westland Submitted by his wife, Margaret

Survived deadly storm at sea

I went into the army from the upper peninsula, Calumet, in 1943 in Aircraft Battalion 391 AAA Division.

I was in the infantry stationed at France, Belgium, Normandy and Germany. We landed on the beaches of Normandy in France. I was in charge of a 40 mm gun. Our job was to sight German planes to protect our troops that were landing on the beaches.

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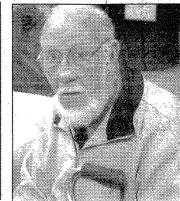
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Richard Webb of Garden City during

for the prisoners there and I was hand-cuffed to Rudolf Hitler for 24 hours. Hitler's mistress, Eva Braun, was also a prisoner there in a cell.

On our return home from Germany our transport ship, which is smaller than a war ship that we were supposed to return on, had no room for us, so we sailed on the transport ship. We had a terrible storm and our ship rolled over to a 45-degree roll and just shook. Then, thank God a wave rolled us upright again. The front of the ship's hangar doors caved in and many lives were lost.



Richard Webb of Garden City

We turned around and limped to the Azzar's Island for repairs. We stayed together there for two weeks with very little food. After the repairs were made we left the Azzar's Island and arrived in New York harbor in 1946 on New Year's

A band was playing to welcome us home from our near-death experience. The Salvation Army fed us and gave us cigarettes for free. We were very happy to return to our families.

Richard James Webb, age 86 Garden City







Proud to have served

I am a Vietnam Veteran. In 1965 I volunteered for the draft and was inducted into the U.S. Army...

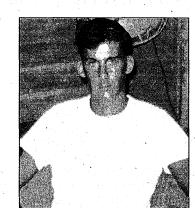
In 1966, at the age of 20 I was sent to Vietnam with the 863rd Transportation Co. to serve a 12-month

Our duty was to supply our infantry with the supplies they need to fight the enemy. Even though it was an unpopular war I was proud to serve my country and would do it again in a heart beat.

I am a life member of the Mayflower Lt. Gamble VFW Post #6695 in Plymouth. I am also a member of the VVA (Vietnam Veterans of America) Plymouth-Canton Chapter# 528.

Our Motto: Never again will one generation of veterans abandon another.

Plymouth Township Nessinger, both of Danvers, Mass.



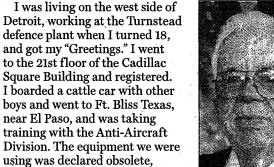
Timothy Curtis of Plymouth Township during the Vietnam War



Tim Curtis today with his daughters



Timothy L. Curtis Cammie Hills (left) and Kerri



Eating peanuts, hauling a gun

County, Ga. A bunch of nearby young people were having a "peanut boiling" and invited all us boys. We had a good time. That was my first time eating boiled peanuts and learned to love them and have bought, more several times later.

so then I found myself in Cobb

From Cobb County, Ga., I went by train to New York and joined a heavy field artillery battalion and was loaded on a ship headed for LaHarve France. I had never seen



field artil-

lery gun

on two

wheels

to pull

around

over

that I was

Germany,

hooked

onto the

back of

the truck.

After Fred E. Raper of Westland load-

ing onto the ship, it took about 10 days to get to France. I was so sea sick! For days I was so sick. I had some close calls in Germany, but I didn't get

Fred E. Raper Westland

Wartime sweethearts are still married



Evert Myers at age 19, with his future wife, Loleta, 17.



Evert and Loleta Myers

In 1943 through 1946, I served three years in the navy on the destroyer escort, "USS Cocktrill."

I was a 2nd class petty officer and traveled to various ports around the world, writing letters to the girl back home. Now, on Nov. 8, 2008, I have 64 years of marriage to the girl I wrote to. And...I'm still 2nd class.

Evert Myers, Garden City

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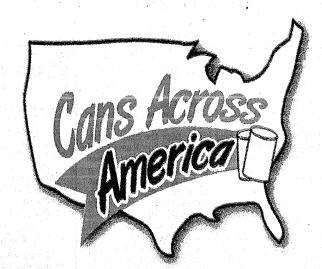
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Band of brothers takes final mission BYCHRIS KASSEL Wayne Amvet

SPECIAL WRITER

Sixty-five years ago, a four-engine B-17 Flying Fortress rumbled into cloudy skies above England, headed for a dangerous raid over Nazi Germany. It was the third mission for Fred Reichel, a young Michigan co-pilot with the 8th Air Force, and it proved to be his last.

Ambushed an hour later by enemy Focke-Wulf fighter planes — among the most lethal aircraft in the Luftwaffe's arsenal — the B-17 lost engines one by one to Nazi machine gun fire until, at 19,000 feet, behind enemy lines, Reichel bailed out. A young German boy found him in a stand of trees a hundred miles east of Berlin and told him simply, "For you, G.I., the war is

The boy was only partially right. Reichel, who spent the next 16 months as a prisoner of war, has memories of the dogfight and his terrifying parachute drop that

Yet on Sept. 26, Reichel again hauled himself into the polished fuselage of a Boeing B-17 and prepared for takeoff. Along with four of his fellow 'flyboys' - a colloquial term for World War II pilots and their crewman - Reichel embarked on what may be his final flight aboard the classic aircraft, which was massproduced throughout the war at Ford's Willow Run assembly plant.

The one that sputtered to life in September was the Yankee Lady, a meticulously restored B-17G now residing at Willow Run Airport's Yankee Air Museum. Said to be the finest example of this particular model still flying, the Yankee Lady was used in the film *Tora*, *Tora*, *Tora* and has a history in many ways as fascinating as the men who piloted her.

DYING GENERATION

Reichel, of Rochester Hills, was one of them, a distinction shared by fewer and fewer living men. Now 85, he is candid about the realities facing his comrades, aging veterans of the deadliest and most widespread conflict in human history. Reichel notes wistfully: "Our ranks are being thinned by time — we're losing World War II veterans at a rate of nearly 1,500 a month."

The impromptu flight was arranged by Nate Strong, a frequent companion of the retired flyboys at the reunion lunches they hold twice monthly at local diners, usually Jimi's in Royal Oak.

I served in the 3rd Armored

Upon completion of my basic

training and having arrived in

I entered combat in

Ardennes-Alsace on Jan. 15,

1945 and then went to the

Rhineland about March 2,

Europe on March 22, 1945-

1945 and continued to central

I was on top of a tank where

German Howitzer that hit the tank. During advancement we

day prior to my injury, which

happened on April 13, 1945 at

the Elbe River, about 50 miles

Division in WW ll.

France

April 13, 1945.

Injured while on tank

I was hit on my left shoulder by return back to New York hara 90 mm shell fragment from a bor and then I went by train

made a record 100 miles in one return back to Detroit.

from Berlin.

After a short stay in the hos-

pital, I then was sent to Paris,

France to a general hospital

for a couple of months. After

Germany surrendered and I

I then served my remainder

tour of duty in the Army of

Occupation. On Aug. 1, 1946,

I completed my tour overseas

and went aboard a troop ship

named George Washington to

to Ft. Sheridan, Ill., to be dis

charged on Aug. 18, 1946 and

was released from the hospital,



Fred Nunnold) (left) Fred Reichel, Burt Miner, George Lietziau, and Robert Stachel gather beneath the vintage bomber following their reunion flight.

As the muscular bomber left the runway and circled Ann Arbor, buzzing the Big House, Michigan Theatre and the U of M campus, reactions from the men ranged from howls of pleasure over the roar of the supercharged engines (nicknamed "bird-shredders") to murmurs of remembrance for fallen comrades.

But for the most part, the group remained impassive and quiet, lost in introspection, running their hands over the Yankee Lady's superstructures, her radio equipment and authentic armaments, including .50 caliber machine guns that looked oiled and ready for combat. Sons of simple but productive men, this particular group of veterans survived the war, came home to Detroit and went on to lead simple, productive lives. In many ways, they are still trying to absorb the magnitude and significance of their wartime experience.

After the flight, the sense of quietude lingered. When asked if his victory lap in the Yankee Lady had lived up to expectations, Burt Miner said simply, "Any flight you walk away from is worth it."

A subdued chorus of 'amens' rose from the rest of the group. On board the plane and in the moments that followed, it made sense to give them space, to allow them to reminisce in whatever way they chose, as the next generation accepts the sad fact that they may not have many of these moments left.

Kassel captured the flight in documentary form. "Detroit's Greatest Generation," a Visionalist Entertainment production, will air on WXYZ-TV in 2009.

Post member

My mom grew up in Wayne and was a graduate of Wayne High Class of 1951. After high school she decided to join the air force and was stationed in Mississippi.

While in the air force she specialized in radio communications, got married and was honorably discharged in 1953.

In the late 1950s, Gracia moved back to Michigan as a single parent and moved to Garden City in 1964. Here she raised her family and was involved in the community.

As a veteran of the Korean War, my mom became the first woman veteran to join the Wayne Amvet Post 171. She was very active in the Post and also earned her lifetime member-

> Gracia Vivian Anderson Yankasky 1933-1977 Submitted by her daughter, Deanne Jo Dowell

Serving in two wars

I served in the Navy during WW ll from May 29, 1944 until March 28, 1946. I had basic training at Great Lakes Naval Station, then served aboard the USS Baltimore, a heavy cruiser. It was in the task force out in the Pacific. I was assigned as an alternate to go on the USS Indianapolis, but lucky for me the sailor arrived whose place I was to take. The ship went down with all members lost. What a tragedy.

Three of my brothers were in defense work and didn't have to go to war and one of them worked on the Atomic bomb out

I joined the Naval reserves and then was called to duty in the Korean War. Had to serve there from August 1950 until December 1951 aboard the USS Bryce Canyon. It was a repair ship. We would make parts for

other ships that become disabled. I achieved the rank of Machinist First Class.



Victor Waling of Livonia while in the

Victor Waling of Livonia

Making long-lasting friendships

Navy

I enlisted in the WACs in December 1944 and was discharged in August 1946. Going on the train to basic training one girl was crying and I thought, didn't you know what you were getting into?

During basic training at Fort Des Moines, Iowa, I had clerk typist training and then I was sent to Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, Texas and worked at the Brooke Army Medical Center. I lived in a brand new barracks. I became friends with the

secretary of the Chief of Surgical Department and even went to her 50th wedding anniversary in San Antonio. To this day I still correspond with one of the WAC friends, Violet Seaman, who lives in Phoenix, Ariz. Many of the other girls have passed away.

It was a time in my life that I will always remember. Cleaning the barracks, exercising and parading was something we all had to do. I am married and have five children, five grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

Lorraine (Glowczewski) Waling

ldvanced Vein Therap



Lorraine Waling of Livonia served in the Women's Army Corps.



Lorraine Waling of Livonia

Following in his mom's footsteps

Doug grew up in Garden City and attended Garden City West Senior High School.

In his senior year (1981) he chose to join the navy and to follow in his mother's footsteps as a military family. He was stationed at Great Lakes Naval Base in Chicago, Ill., and then sent to Charleston, S.C. to serve on the U.S.S. Benjamin Franklin Nuclear Warhead Submarine.

While in the navy he attended school and his interests were electronics and cooking. He was honorably discharged

Currently Doug lives in southern Michigan and stays in touch with his family, which still lives in Garden City.

> Douglas John Yankasky Submitted by his sister Deanne Jo Dowell



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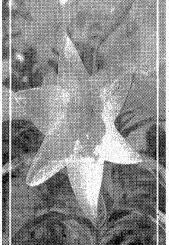




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daughter of Della and Peter Fenlon and grew up in Gaastra. She graduated ALFRED R. JENSEN from Stambaugh High School in 1943 Died November 5, 2008, at William and moved to Flint where she worked Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak, at the Rosie the Riveter at AC age of 90, following a long illness. Sparkplugs for the balance of World War II. In 1945 she moved to Mr. Jensen was a resident of Pontiac, and a former 46 year resident of Milwaukee, where her love of dancing Birmingham. He is the retired owner occasioned the meeting of Erwin of Lynd Gear of Rochester and Sieron. They were married April 29, Dolphin Engineering of Fraser. He is 1950. After their marriage, they traveled for three years with Erwin's job a former longtime member of the Birmingham Country Club and the before settling in Baltimore. While Detroit Golf Club and a lifetime living in Baltimore the couple welmember of the Masonic Lodge #2 of comed a daughter, Barbara, and a son Detroit. He is survived by his wife Russell to their family. In 1963 they Jane of 55 years and three children: relocated again to Pasadena, Calif. Daniel S. Jensen (Lissa) of Chapel Continuing to chase the space race, Hill, NC, Nancy Johnson (Patrick) of Birmingham, MI and Susan Vandegriff (Jay) of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Grandfather of eight: Sam, Sarah Jane, and Elizabeth Jensen of Chapel, NC, Patrick, Kelsey and Michael Johnson of Birmingham, MI and Megan and Hunter Vandegriff of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Services were private. Contributions to Beaumont Hospice would be appreciated. Arrangements by Pixley Funeral Home-Davis Chapel of Auburn Hills.

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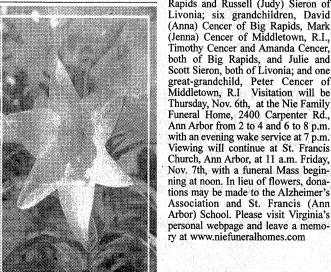
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they moved to Ann Arbor in 1964. They were active members of St. Francis Catholic Church and School. In 1983 business changes necessitated a move to Jacksonville, Fla., where they lived until Erwin's death earlier this year. Since then she has lived in Livonia, close to her son Russell and his family. She is predeceased by her husband, Erwin; her parents; and a brother. Raymond, who died in his infancy. She is survived by her two children, Barbara (Paul) Cencer of Big Rapids and Russell (Judy) Sieron of Livonia; six grandchildren, David (Anna) Cencer of Big Rapids, Mark (Jenna) Cencer of Middletown, R.I., Timothy Cencer and Amanda Cencer both of Big Rapids, and Julie and Scott Sieron, both of Livonia; and one great-grandchild, Peter Cencer of Middletown, R.I. Visitation will be Thursday, Nov. 6th, at the Nie Family Funeral Home, 2400 Carpenter Rd., Ann Arbor from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. with an evening wake service at 7 p.m. Viewing will continue at St. Francis

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WORKWISE The coming flu season makes people aware of aches, pains and then some, but any time of year you by just might not feel up Mildred L. to par. You might Culp have sick building syndrome without

knowing it. Then there's the possibility that upheaval in some workplaces, regardless of its source, is throwing you off-balance. How can you untangle the threads so you can decide

Discomfort undermines your productivity. According to a survey conducted by the Yankelovich firm for insurer CIGNA, headquartered in Philadelphia, in the last six months, 61 percent of 1,147 working adults, 18 or older, went to work not fully focused on their work, because they were sick or distracted by a problem. They averaged 6.9 days in a six-month period -- more than one day of "presenteeism" per month. A full 62 percent of that group reported that their productivity was down, while almost the same number -- 61 percent --

what to do?

expressed concern that co-workers knew. Approach your

discomfort systematically.

Building biologist Lisa Beres, CEO of Green Nest L.L.C., in Irvine, Calif., says that if your symptoms -headaches, nausea, and irritation of the ear, nose and throat -- occur in your building at work, they could be coming from sick building syndrome. She lists a number of potential causes, individually or in groups: indoor air, building material, furniture, fabrics, finishes, carpentry, paint, copiers and printers. If symptoms dissipate after you've been outside for a while, go public.

"Find out whether other people are feeling the same way," Beres advises. "If 20 percent of occupants are experiencing it, it can be sick building syndrome." Her company sells air and test kits if you want to continue on your own before alerting HR or Facility Management, who might then contract with an environmental inspector.

If your research leads you to conclude that there's something in your life that's making you less productive, you don't need to set an appointment with a psychologist or psychiatrist.

Psychologist and physical therapist Elizabeth Lombardo, whose private practice is in Pittsburgh, says that much of her work helps individual and corporate clients enhance their wellness. "Our society thinks physical systems, such as bugs or a virus," she explains.

People get tested, maintaining that they're not making this up, that (not feeling good) is really biological." She points out that that's not always the case, and there's something you can do about it. Look for negative, unrealistic and unhelpful thinking:

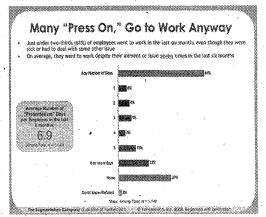
-- "Take ten minutes to write down or speak into a tape recorder what's going on in your mind, all that's stressing you out," she recommends, "because we're often unaware of what we're thinking. If your boss is the problem, what exactly is it about your boss?

- Return to the task when you're feeling less stressed to look for distortions in what you wrote or said. You might be "fortune-telling, predicting the future negatively, or catastrophizing, thinking that your boss will fire you and your family will be homeless, Lombardo states. These types of thought patterns can

- In their place, develop a thought that is accurate and helpful but not Pollyannaish. Slip it in.

-- Finally, she suggests, "Do something about it." You don't have to do all of this alone. Lombardo mentions that when you've identified what's really bothering you, such as your boss, you can do a reality check with a co-worker. Check to see if your distorted thoughts are a figment of your imagination, that your boss is out to get you and no one else. You have your answer if your co-worker responds that your boss hates

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If you eliminate sick building syndrome and distorted thinking from the list of possibilities, you might well have a physical ailment. Keep going to work without doing something about it and watch your productivity continue to fall.

(Dr. Mildred L. Culp is an award-winning journalist. E-mail your questions to culp@workwise.net. Copyright 2008 Passage Media.)



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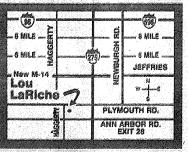






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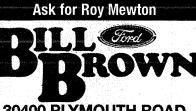
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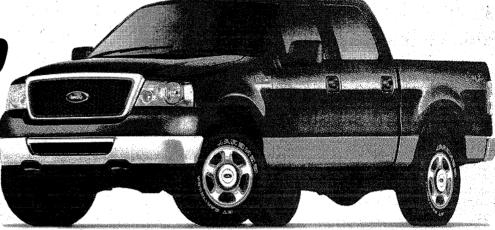


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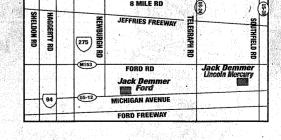
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crossbars.

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Per Mo.

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Mo.

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Mo.

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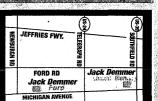
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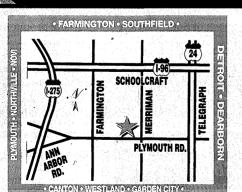
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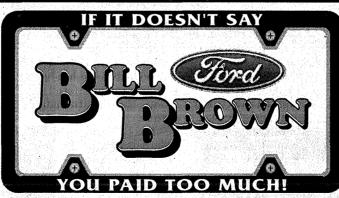
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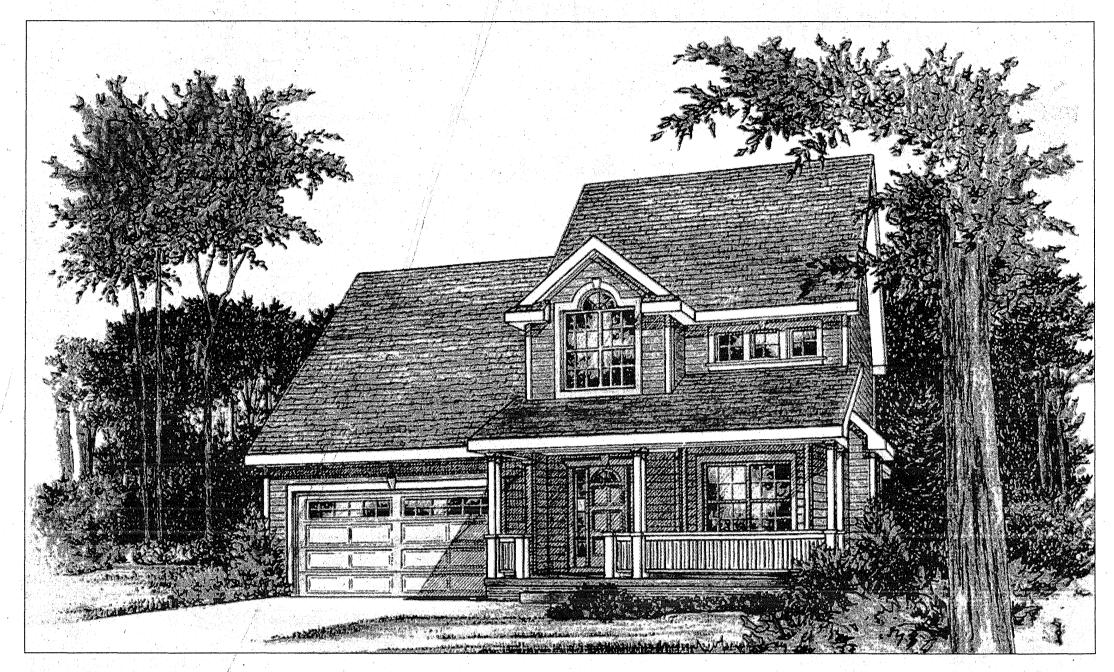
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Windom boasts winning ways for smaller-sized lots

A historically styled farmhouse, the Windom (D6719) has many extras the homes of the past did not have. It is 1,518 square feet with an unfinished basement of the same size. Convenient for the modern lots, the Windom is narrow for fitting on the smaller lots. The exterior has a symmetrical look with large windows and a covered porch.

The front door has two elongated windows on each side adding light to the entry. Behind the front door are a seat for removing shoes, and a coat closet. The living room has a high vaulted 18-foot ceiling giving the room an elegant look. On the right side is a fireplace surrounded by windows.

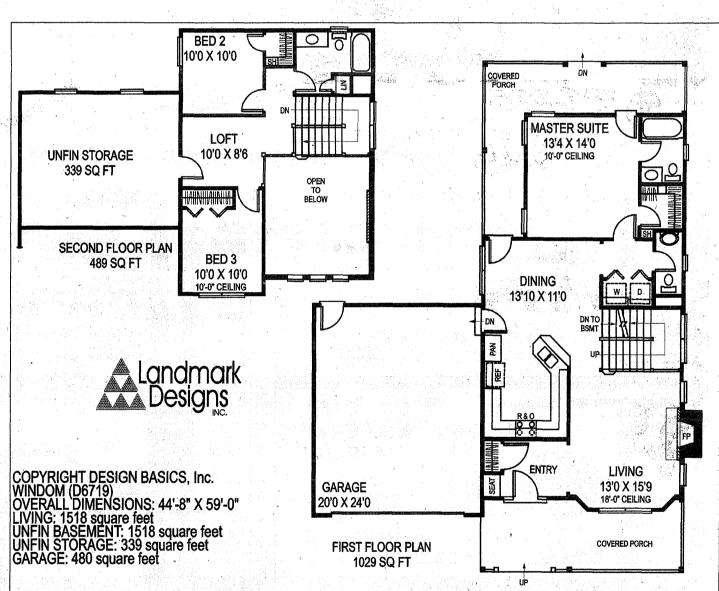
The kitchen is separated from the living room by a wall. It is an open shape with the sink on the front corner and a cabinet pantry opposite. Beside the pantry is a door opening into the two-car garage, ideal for unloading groceries and carrying them into the kitchen. An open dining room with two windows is adjacent to the kitchen. It has a door that leads to the rear deck that runs across the rear of the Windom.

At the rear of this great home is the master suite. It has higher 10-foot ceilings and a door that also opens onto the rear deck. The master bath has a single sink and a tub. The walk-in closet is in the front corner.

Just outside the suite door is a half-bath and the washer/dryer, hidden behind folding doors. Separating these from the living room are the sweeping stairs that lead to the basement as well as to the second floor.

Upstairs are two bedrooms and a loft area between. Bedroom 2 has a corner walk-in closet, while bedroom 3 has a wall closet and 10-foot ceilings. The loft opens into an unfinished storage area over the garage that could be a playroom, or a future bedroom if needed. The bathroom on this floor is located in the rear corner. It has a single sink, tub, and a linen closet.

For a study plan of the WINDOM (D6719), send \$15 to Landmark Designs, 33127 Saginaw Rd. E., Cottage Grove, OR 97424 or call (800) 562-1151. Be sure to specify plan name and number. Compact disks, with search functions are free of charge, to help you search our portfolio for your dream home (\$5 shipping and handling will apply). Or you may order or search online at www.ldiplans.com. Save 15 percent on construction plans using the code (LOE48) online, mailing, or calling (800) 562-



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For more details, contact Steve Leibhan, (248) 553-0400, Ext. 2500.

Investors

Hear a panel of money lenders cover diverse options for financing issues. Sponsored by the Real Estate Investors Association of Oakland on

Thursday, Nov. 13, 5:30-9:30 p.m. at MSU Management Education Center, 811 W. Square Lake Road, Troy. Seminar free to members. \$20 nonmembers. Call (800) 747-6742.

First-time buyer

Learn about programs as well as mortgage options available to the first-time homebuyer. Credit coaching, buying a HUD home for \$100 down, and getting up to \$7,500 as an interest-free loan are other topics to be covered. This event is taking place at 1200 S. Sheldon, Plymouth. Dates are Tuesday, Nov. 11, at 6:30 p.m. or Saturday, Nov. 15, at 10 a.m. Call the 24-hour hotline to reserve a seat, (888) 776-3703 or e-mail Diane@SMPrate. com. Sponsored by Success Mortgage Partners.

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Kaplan Professional Schools, a subsidiary of the Washington Post Co., has been selected by the State of Michigan Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation to offer its Michigan Mandatory 24-Hour Mortgage Loan Officer Registration course. Kaplan Professional, a leader in insurance training and Series 6 and 7 Securities training, added this program for Michigan mortgage professionals. In addition to the Michigan Mandatory 24-Hour Mortgage Loan Officer Registration course, Kaplan will also be offering a separate program, How To Pass the Michigan Loan Officer Registration Exam, for seasoned mortgage professionals who are required only to take the Loan Officer Registrant state test. More information is available about class locations and schedules at http://www.

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BIA

■ Apartment Association of Michigan's (AAM) Property Management Council (PMC) will sponsor a "Leasing 101: The 2008 Tour" seminar on Tuesday, Nov. 11, from 9 a.m. to noon at AAM headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills

Led by Kathleen Mabie of Success on Site, the seminar will cover competitive analysis of what is being sold, setting up the close, telephone techniques, Internet and e-mail and meet-greet information. The seminar is valuable for newly hired leasing personnel as well as seasoned ones. Registration fees are \$69 for PMC members, \$79 for AAM or Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan members and \$99 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at

www.builders.org.

Building Industry
Association of Southeastern
Michigan (BIA) and its
National Association of
Home Builders Professional
Remodelers (NAHBR) will
hold a "Project Management"
course on Friday, Nov. 14, from
8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern
Highway, Suite 100, in
Farmington Hills.

The course is part of the Certified Graduate Remodeler (CGR) series and counts toward Certified Graduate Associate (CGA) and Certified Graduate Builder (CGB) designations as well as the CGR designation. This course also counts toward pre-licensure and continuing education competency for the State of

Michigan. Chuck Breidenstein, CAPS, of Builder Professional Services Group will present participants with the skills needed for successful on- or off-site production operations management. The course covers the three phases of a successful venture: planning, implementation and evaluation. Anyone in the the preconstruction or construction process will benefit including owners, project managers, superintendents and sales managers.

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CRÖSSWORD PUZZLER

ACROSS

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- gofer 8 Seductive woman
- 12 Bullfight cheer
- 13 Saucy 14 Himalayas'
- home 15 Put down,
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- 16 Not precisely 18 Camel halts
- 20 Mouse
- appendage Sweater letter
- 23 Ballpoint 24 Fall fruit
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- 29 Lemony taste 33 Electrical unit
- 34 Natural -35 Paris street
- 36 Mother of
- Horus
- 38 Shipboard direction
- 50 Go beyond
- 40 Soup container 42 Mineral spring 44 Oops! (hyph.) 46 Sahara moun-
- 54 Citrus cooler
- 55 Roof part 56 Battery
- chemical
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- 60 Rock-band need

DOWN

- 1 Non-flying bird (and others)
- 3 Clutter 4 From Kilkenny
- 5 Desperado's
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Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- city 10 Factory
- 11 Foot the bill 17 Had lunch
- - staple 25 Codgers' queries 26 Fifi's boyfriend
 - 28 Bumbler 30 Christina's

19 Be off base

structure 23 Military bases

24 South Seas

22 Bodily

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- 41 Happy sighs 43 Rice field
- 44 Siberian river
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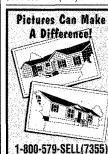
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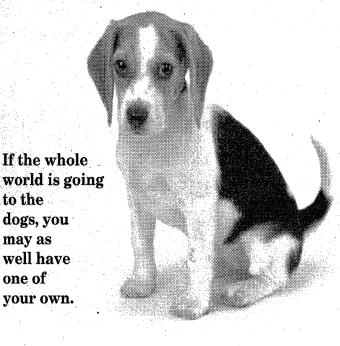
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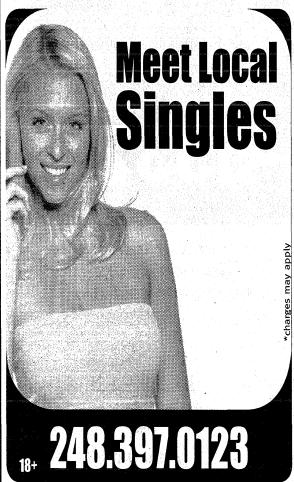
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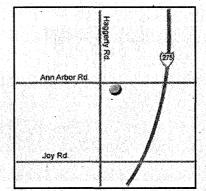


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