

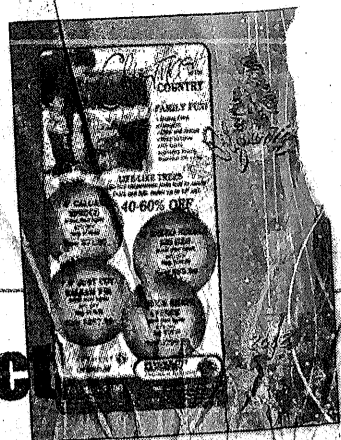
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Snow 'fowls' up turkey golf event

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth Salvation Army Corps is in desperate need of turkeys to feed struggling families Thanksgiving Day.

Last Saturday's "Free Golf for a Turkey" event at the Fox Hills Golf and Banquet Center netted the Salvation Army only five turkeys because of the snowy weather.

"We have 79 turkeys, and the need is for 200 by Friday," said Laurie Aren, the Plymouth Corps' director of family and community ministries. "Our Thanksgiving list is up over 100 percent from last year. We did 127 meals last year, and we're at 278 families right now."

"Last year we were in the same position and God just showed up," she said.

Employees of Saturn of Plymouth and Saturn of Farmington Hills are doing their part in trying to fill the need for Thanksgiving meals by providing 40 complete Thanksgiving Day meals, of which half will go to the Plymouth Salvation Army and the other half to the Salvation Army in Farmington Hills.

"We're purchasing all the mainstays of a Thanksgiving Day dinner ... turkey, stuffing, cranberry sauce, butter, rolls and a pumpkin pie," said Suzanne Hill of Saturn in Plymouth. "Our general manager, Jim Huston (of Westland) purchased all 40 turkeys. The rest of the employees are pledging money to purchase the other items."

"We just wanted to help out the community because we realize these are tough times for many people," said Hill. "It's always nice to help out, but especially in times like this."

Donations of turkeys and additional food items can be dropped off at the Salvation Army in Plymouth Township, located at 9451 S. Main.

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Fred Hill and the Briefcase Drill Team, local parade favorites for years, are on their way to New York for the Macy's Thanksgiving parade.

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Drilling the Big Apple Briefcase team lands spot in Macy's Thanksgiving parade

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Fred Hill Briefcase Drill Team started out as a lark 24 years ago, a human billboard in local parades to parody those who wear business suits.

On Thanksgiving Day the group will hit the ultimate parade "big-time" when it marches in the 82nd annual Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City.

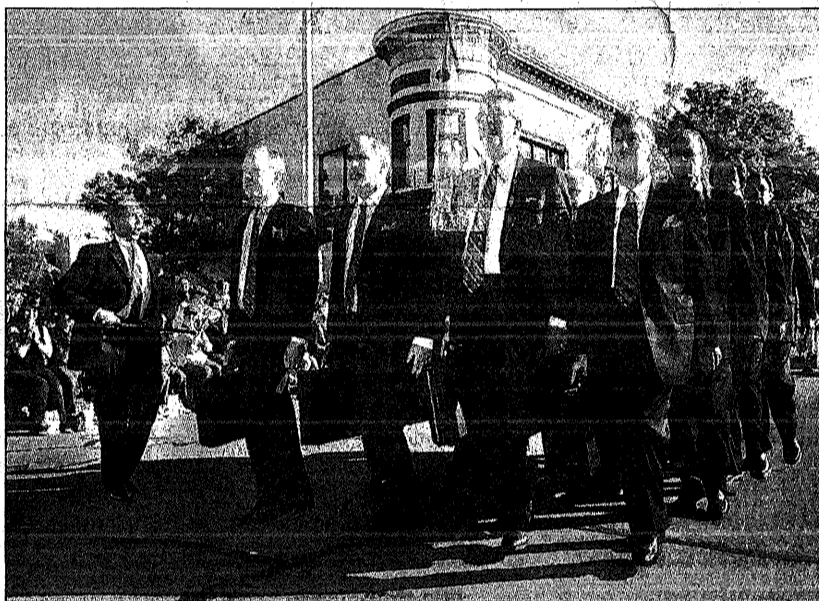
Hill, a Plymouth Realtor, sent a letter to parade organizers last December. He led off the inquiry with "This is, I think, the proverbial shot in the dark. But, here goes nonetheless."

Not only did Hill receive a favorable response to his 17-member drill team, but after sending a DVD of their maneuvers the Drill Team was awarded entry into the parade that wows 3.5 million spectators and more than 50 million television viewers nationwide.

"Giddy is a good word," said Hill about how he and his colleagues felt about being one of the select few in the Macy's Parade. "It's kind of like that feeling you get when you got that first bicycle."

"There's the anticipation of what the crowd reaction will be because they've never seen us before," he said. "A little bit of nervousness ... will they get it?"

The first appearance for the



Fred Hill and the Briefcase Drill Team have been doing their thing for some 24 years.

Briefcase Drill Team was in the July 4, 1986, parade in Plymouth. The group was originally designed to be a walking advertisement for Hill's men's clothing store, Fred Hill Haberdashers. The store closed in 1992, but the drill team continues to march on. Their resume includes 20 consecutive appearances in Detroit's America's Thanksgiving Parade; appearances at the Fiesta Bowl in Tempe, Ariz., the Pro Football Hall

of Fame in Canton, Ohio, and the Indianapolis 500 parade; a commercial for Beacon Investment and a grand opening for Neiman Marcus.

Hill, who is known by his squad as "The General," calls the cadence and nearly a dozen maneuvers for the 16-member squad, each wearing the standard blue business suit, white shirt, silk red-striped tie, a red

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District eyes election shift

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A decision by the Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees to move its elections to even years in conjunction with the November general election means the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education will have to decide by the end of the year whether it will follow suit.

Plymouth-Canton had been splitting the cost with Schoolcraft College when both had the same election cycle in odd-year May. With Schoolcraft moving to even-year November elections in 2010, the community college will save more than \$100,000. Plymouth-Canton board members will have to decide by Dec. 31 if the May 2009 election will go as scheduled — which a board subcommittee estimated to cost \$100,000 — or move to a November election cycle.

"If we went to odd November (2009), it would cost us \$84,000," said Trustee Steven Suedeman, a member of the ad hoc election committee. "If we waited until 2010, it would be cost-free because it would be on a national ballot."

Suedeman said if the Board of Education waited until 2010 for the next election, "then it would be 3 1/2 years between elections ... that's nearly a full term."

If the election is held in May 2009, the ballot would include four names (assuming they all seek re-election): Judy Mardigian, Barry Simescu, Tom Wysocki and John Jackson. Jackson, who was appointed to the seat vacated by Mark Slavens, is slated to seek re-election on the next scheduled election date, which at this point is in May.

The Board of Education would also need to determine how to stagger the terms to avoid a major overhaul of the school board at one time.

"It's a delicate balance," said Gonzalez, the committee chairperson. "We have to decide if we need to have an election because we haven't had one for 30 months, or if we should save money for the district."

"Part of being elected is following the will of the people," she added. "If we're in office 30 months longer than what we were elected for, then I don't think it's the will of the people."

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Park Players tackle 'light' murder mystery

ON STAGE

■ What: Park Players present "The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940," a non-musical by John Bishop
■ When: 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 20-22
■ Where: Gloria Logan Auditorium, Salem High School
■ Cost: All tickets \$10; can be purchased starting 7 p.m. show nights
■ Details: Visit online at www.parkplayers.org

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

When last the Park Players took to the stage, they were performing the dark and foreboding *Jekyll and Hyde*.

So when Kristen Quesada was planning the Players' next presentation, she felt it was time to turn to something a little lighter. Thus, the Players present *The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940*, a non-musical by John Bishop, Thursday through Saturday at the Gloria Logan Auditorium in Salem High School.

"I like to try to have variety in my selection (of plays)," said Quesada, the Park Players' director. "Although

this show is a murder mystery, it's comical and parts of it are slapstick and fun."

The play revolves around the murder of a maid named Helsa Wenzel, who lives in a mansion owned by Elsa Von Grossenkneuten in Chappaqua, N.Y., in December 1940. Guests invited to the mansion by Elsa think they're coming to audition for a play, but someone soon figures out they were all part of the creative team for a play beset by a murderer called The Stage Door Slasher. Soon, everyone figures out the identity of Helsa's murderer.

The play, first performed on Broadway April 6, 1987, is said to have been based on several 1940s

mystery movies, including *The Cat and the Canary*, one of Bob Hope's first films.

According to Quesada, the slapstick nature of the play presents opportunities for the 20-member cast/crew, which includes five male and five female on-stage characters.

"The show has a lot of physical comedy, which gave us a lot of opportunity to be creative," Quesada said. "It made the rehearsal process exciting."

The set itself includes such things as revolving bookcases and secret passageways, the kinds of items the group's run crew usually doesn't get a chance to work with.

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Senior Tyler Dean rehearses a scene in his role as Ken De La Maize during a dress rehearsal for the Park Players production of *The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940*.

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Marchers shrug off state meet, make national finals

It's hard to think of the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band's performance at the Bands of America Grand Nationals last weekend as a comeback, but in essence, that's what it was.

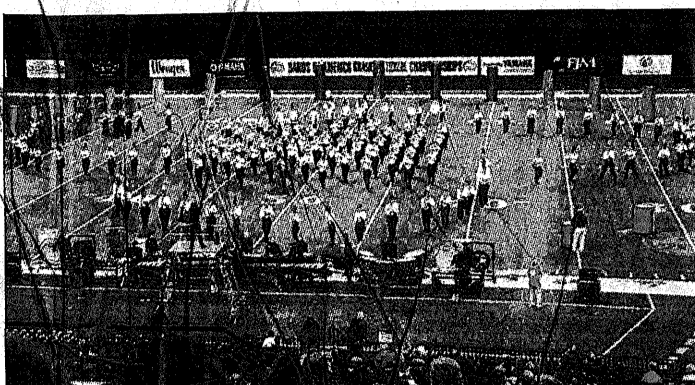
P-CEP, a perennial finalist at the BOA nationals, actually came into the competition at the new Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis on a low note, having finished just third in the state competition two weeks earlier.

But the marchers were able to shrug off that disappointing performance to be named one of the 12 national finalists out of a 90-band field at the

national competition.

"Our entire program is deserving of this big win," exclaimed jubilant Director of Bands Martin Montoya, whose squad finished 11th overall. Among the instructors who made last-minute changes, to the parent volunteers who added additional props just last week, to the students who gave it their all this last two weeks, setting foot on the field for a Grand National Finals performance is an incredible accomplishment.

Their third-place finish at the state competition ended a streak of 14 straight state championships and left



The Plymouth-Canton Marching Band wowed the audiences enough to pull off a top-12 finish at the Bands of America Grand National competition in Indianapolis Nov. 15.

instructors and the students with the intervening two weeks to improve the show design, add more props, per-

fect the drill and the show's music to accomplish the feat.

The work paid off in the band's 21st appearance as a national finalist in the competition's 33-year history. The 175-member band, the only Michigan band to make the top 12, wowed the audience with the ten-minute colorful program titled "Kaleidoscope" particularly when the feathered plumes worn by all the marchers magically turned from white to a vivid spectrum of color.

"Plymouth-Canton has a long standing tradition of excellence, and coming in third at States is not typical for this band," said Montoya, in his first season leading the band. "We had some challenges this season, but the end goal of making finals was always in sight - and they did it. I'm just so proud of these kids."

The 2008 marching band season will end with a large fund-raising event Nov. 22 at Plymouth High School. The Music Boosters are hosting a juried Holiday Arts and Crafts Ensemble from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Visit www.pcmb.net for more information.

Correspondent Peggy Fenwick contributed most of this story.

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pocket handkerchief and — of course — carrying a briefcase.

Warren Musson, 52, of Plymouth Township has been a member of the Briefcase Drill Team for about seven years and is excited about being a part of the big stage called New York City on Thanksgiving Day.

"I think it's fantastic," said Musson, a senior vice president and head of lending for Fidelity Bank, the same kind of "suit" the Briefcase Drill Team parodies. "I think the group represents what's good in metropolitan Detroit and southeast Michigan."

"The crowd really gets into it and we really feed off the crowd," he said. "Of all the entries that go into the parade, the crowd consistently responds in a positive and energetic way to this group when it goes by."

The Briefcase Drill Team holds only one "secret" practice a year, in the downtown Plymouth parking deck the Sunday before the Thanksgiving Day parade. This year's practice (5 p.m. Sunday, all are welcome) will be followed by a second on Tuesday in New York.

"We leave here at noon, check into the Hilton New York and then we have to go to a rehearsal that night," said Hill. "We'll do exactly what we'll be doing when we get our 30-second performance on television so they know where they want to position the cameras. This parade is so finely tuned, the detail is incredible."

When asked why people enjoy the Briefcase Drill Team, Hill paused for a few seconds.

"Maybe it's as simple as we have fun and people watching us have fun, for that instant," said Hill. "They clap, they whistle, they hoot and cheer. Laughing at us and at themselves at the same time."

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Saturdays at the Penn

The Plymouth Community Arts Council and the Plymouth Canton Symphony Society present "Saturdays at the Penn," with noon concerts at the Penn Theatre in downtown Plymouth.

The next concert is set for noon Saturday, Dec. 6, with special musical host Beverly Meyer, The Music Lady, with announcer Timothy Thompson. Special guest performer will be Josh and Roy, "A Comedy, Juggling Show."

Tickets are \$3 and may be purchased the day of the show. Doors open at 11:15 a.m. at the Penn Theatre, 760 Penniman in downtown Plymouth. To purchase tickets before the concert, sponsored in part by a grant from the Wilcox Foundation and other generous supporters, or for more information on group purchases, contact Deb Madonna at (734) 377-0914.

Museum exhibits

The Plymouth Historical Museum reopened Wednesday with its new special exhibit, "Twas the Night Before Christmas," featuring several popular Christmas stories from the past two centuries, including the poem of the same name purportedly by Clement C. Moore, A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens, and The Polar Express, by Chris Van Allsburg. The special exhibit will be open through Jan. 4.

Beginning Nov. 22, Santa will be visiting the Museum to meet good little girls and boys. Santa Claus will be at the Museum every Saturday until Christmas, and will be at the Museum 9-5 p.m. Dec. 6 during the Annual Craft Bazaar and Open House. This year's Craft Bazaar will have free admission, with more crafters and a craft raffle.

The Museum's permanent Lincoln Collection exhibit will remain closed until early December while the exhibit undergoes a facelift in anticipation of the upcoming special exhibit "In the Presence of Lincoln," honoring Abraham Lincoln's 200th birthday in February 2009. That exhibit will run Jan. 21-Nov. 4.

The Plymouth Historical Museum is located at 155 S. Main. Hours are 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$10 for families, and \$2 for students 6-17. Tours and groups can be accommodated by calling (734) 455-8940. For more information, visit www.plymouthhistory.org

Miller Woods calendars

The Friends of Miller Woods are selling calendars for the coming year highlighting "the beauty and diversity of Miller Woods and the surround-

ing meadow and wetlands," with photography by Marcia Fowler.

Cost is \$15 each, with an additional \$3 delivery charge. Orders should be placed by Nov. 28 for early December delivery. For more information or to order, call (734) 459-6479.

Luminaria sale

The Plymouth Symphony League is selling Luminaria kits for the holiday season.

Each \$5 kit consists of 10 white paper bags and 10 candles and can be purchased at Gabriela's, Sideways, Saxton's and the Plymouth Symphony office at 470 Forest Place, Suite 18, from Nov. 24 to Dec. 24.

For more information visit the symphony Web site at www.plymouthsymphony.org

Holiday crafts ensemble

The Plymouth-Canton Marching Band hosts its annual Holiday Arts & Crafts Ensemble, a holiday fund-raising event for music programs, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, at Plymouth High School, 8400 Beck, in Canton.

The event is a juried art and craft exhibition hosted by the Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters. Exhibitors include makers of handcrafted jewelry, holiday gifts, floral arrangements, purses, wood crafts, glass works, clothing & linens, paintings, painted glass ornaments, and more. In addition to more than 90 exhibits, there will be food, baked goods, a raffle, and entertainment by local musicians and artists throughout the day. Admission is \$2.

Proceeds from the event go toward the music programs at the Plymouth Canton Educational Park, many of which are funded by the non-profit parent booster organization. This year in particular, the boosters are working to raise enough funds to replace the 40-year-old semi-trailer used by the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band to transport all the large band instruments to many competitions and events.

For more information, call (734) 455-0714.

Gabrial's fund-raiser

The Plymouth Community Arts Council and Gabriela's join together for a fund-raising event 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4.

Gabrial's will donate 15 percent of all purchases to the PCAC. All donations go to support PCAC programs, includ-



Time for tea

TranquillTea owner Colleen Cannon (center) gets a little help from Plymouth Downtown Development Authority officials Jon Buzuvis and Sherrje Pryor at the grand opening of the tea shop's new location in the old Beifner's Jewelers store on Ann Arbor Trail. TranquillTea became the first new tenant in the old Beifner store in a decade. The store is located at 904 W. Ann Arbor Trail. For more information, call (734) 459-9686.

ing arts education classes, a theater program, concerts, lectures and seminars, workshops, and community-based enrichment activities.

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For more information contact the PCAC at (734) 416-4278 or Gabriela's at (734) 455-8884.

Senior party fund-raisers

The PCEP Senior Party Committee is inviting diners to dine out for "a wonderful cause," supporting the senior party by dining out at one (or more) of the area restaurants which have agreed to donate 20 percent of the purchases made during a specific time and date.

Fund-raisers take place at the following restaurants on the following dates:

Wednesday, Dec. 17, at Buffalo Wild Wings; Monday, Jan. 12 at Palermo's; Thursday, Feb. 12 at Caravel; Monday, April 6 at Palermo's; and Thursday, May 7, also at Palermo's. All restaurants are on Ford Road in Canton.

Detail information and a flyer is available at <http://web.pccs.k12.mi.us/pcep/pages/classof/2009/senior-party09.htm> (this flyer must be presented at time of purchase for us to receive 20% credit of your purchase).

Visit the committee's blog at <http://pcep09seniorparty.blogspot.com/> or its Web page

at <http://web.pccs.k12.mi.us/pcep/pages/classof/2009/senior-party09.htm>

To volunteer or for questions, contact pcep-senior-party@comcast.net

Book signing

Award-winning author and photographer Cheryl A. Vatcher-Martin of Canton will autograph books at the Livonia Borders Express store 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22. The store is located inside Laurel Park Mall in Livonia.

Her latest release, "Cheryl's Musings: A Day In The Life Of An Award Winning Poet & Photographer," will be available. The book walks readers through her 18-month writing journey and how she accomplished many goals in such a short time. Her mini writing guide will enable writers of all levels to pen their first poem, story or essay.

Martin's first book, "Woman Reclining," will also be available.

Martin's photography is displayed through The Healing Arts Exhibit, and The Portrait Show in Orion Township. At the end of November she'll have a solo photographic exhibit at the Flat Rock Library, in Flat Rock.

As the owner of Pero Inc., Martin helps fledgling writers with their craft and is a full-service consulting and editing business. She can be reached at peroinc5@comcast.net or by calling (734) 397-1626.

Holiday classics

The Penn Theatre will show

a variety of holiday classics during December.

The schedule includes: *It's a Wonderful Life*, featuring a live performance by the Belleville Bass before the Thursday show, 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4 and 6:45 and 9:15 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5; *White Christmas*, 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11; *Polar Express*, 7 and 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19 and 5 and 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 20-21.

The Penn Theatre is located on Penniman in downtown Plymouth. Box office opens a half-hour before each showing; tickets are \$3.

For more information, call (734) 453-0870 or visit www.penntheatre.com

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 offer-

ing 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 barrier-free entrance. All are invited and encouraged to attend. For more information (734) 453-5280.

Sounds of the season

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Nutcracker Ballet

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This volatile stock market requires patience and discipline

How to explain it? Mid-afternoon the stock market is in an all too common downturn and then it recoups its losses and is up 500 points by close. The very next day the market is down 300 points.



Money Matters

Rick Bloom

This is a time when fear and irrational behavior — rather than the fundamentals of the market — appear to be the norm. To make sense out of the wild swings on Wall Street is nearly impossible. There are issues in our economy but on

any given day it is impossible to figure out why the markets react the way they do.

Years ago when the market was booming, many individuals began to day trade — buying and selling on a daily basis. Unfortunately, I have started to hear that because of the volatility in the markets many people are starting to do some day trading. To me, day trading is nothing more than gambling. I don't believe in "gambling" with your investment dollars.

There are people who make money on day trading, however, it's similar to saying that buying lottery tickets is a good investment because there are many winners. Studies show the majority of people who get involved in day trading lose a substantial portion of their

money. The reality is only a few gamblers actually make money, the same can be said for day trading.

There is no doubt that investors are apprehensive and concerned about their portfolios. However, investors should resist the temptation to get involved with either investments or investment strategies that are gimmicky. In today's market, there are many hustlers who are pouncing on investors, encouraging them to move money in order to take advantage of the current market conditions. My advice is be extremely cautious.

It is important during volatile times that investors do not make rash and emotional decisions. After all, the market conditions today may not

be the same market conditions just a few months down the road.

If I told you back in July when gas was more than \$4.50 a gallon that in just a few months you'd be paying under \$2 a gallon, most would have said that's impossible. Experts were predicting \$5. No one predicted that gas prices would plummet. Market and economic conditions in today's world change rapidly and that is why investors need to be cautious.

We have been through numerous financial crises in our country's history and have always worked our way through them. Whether it was difficult times after the start of World War II when our country was losing the war, the housing market was crum-

bling and the federal government was incurring massive debt to fund the war, or the stock market crash of 1987, the markets and our economy have always rebounded over a relatively short period of time. I am a believer in the American economy — not out of blind pride — but based upon the facts.

During this crisis many experts seem to suggest that our economy will go through an extremely difficult period like the Japanese did just a few years ago. Although there are similarities, it is important to recognize that our form of capitalism and our economy is unlike that of Japan. The U.S. economy is not only the largest economy in the world, it is the most flexible and this remains one

of our strengths. I have no idea when the current difficulties will end and when markets will rebound. I don't have the answer and neither does anyone else. However, I do know what history has shown and that is that markets do rebound faster than most people anticipate.

It is a difficult time for investors, however, be assured it will improve. Investors who show discipline and patience will be rewarded.

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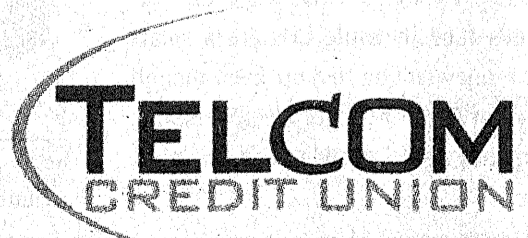
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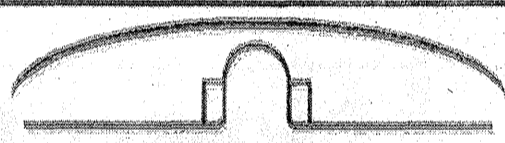
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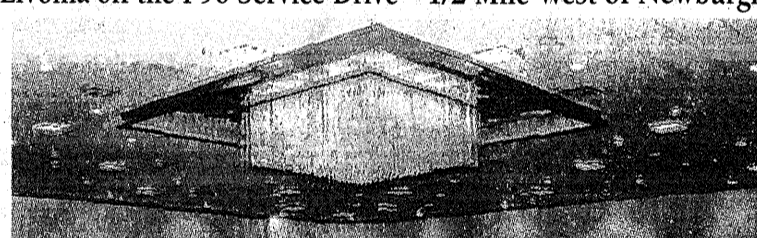
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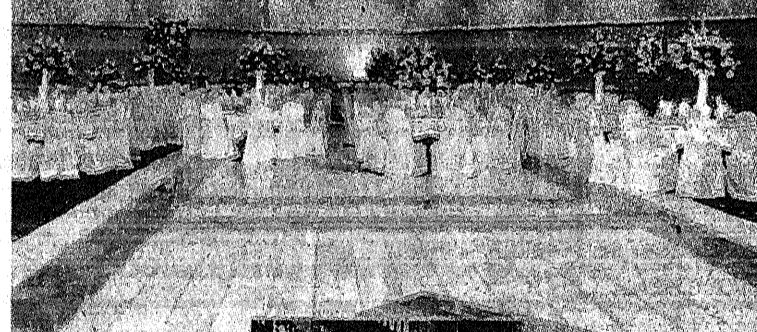



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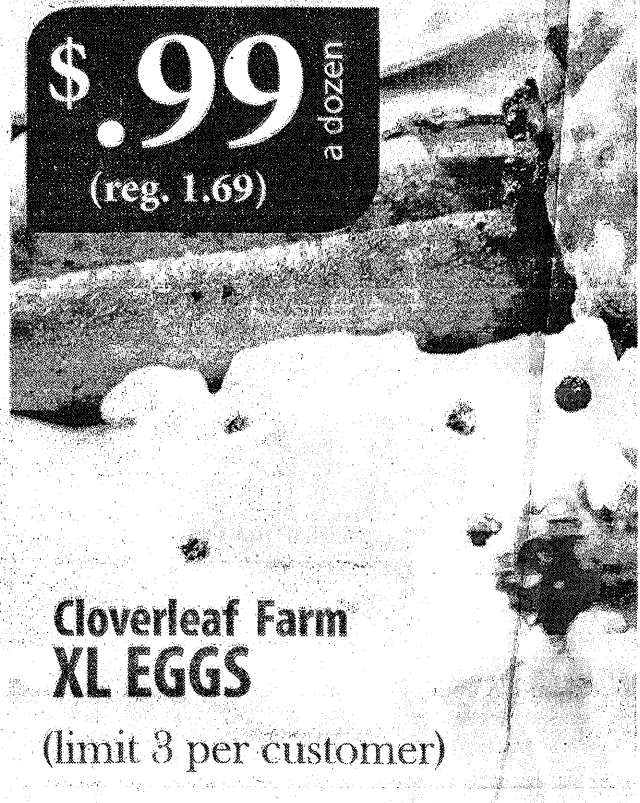
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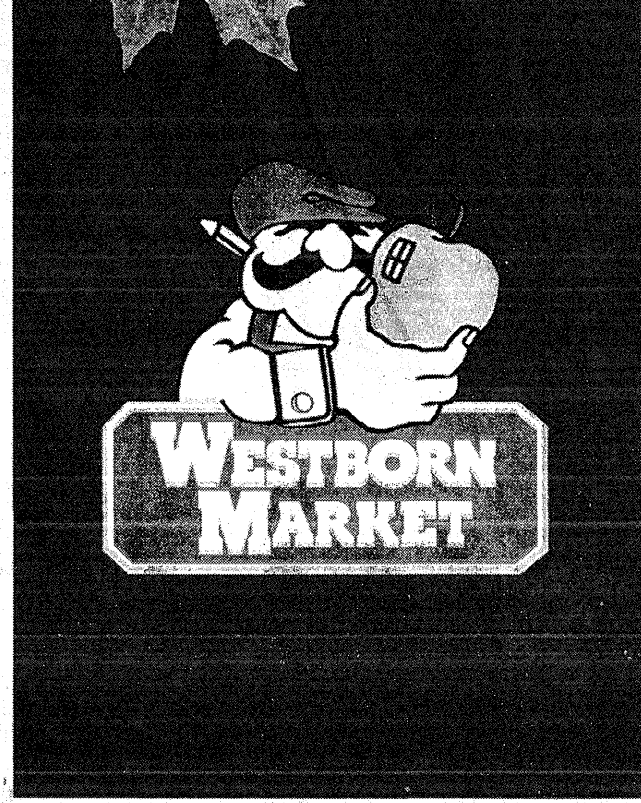
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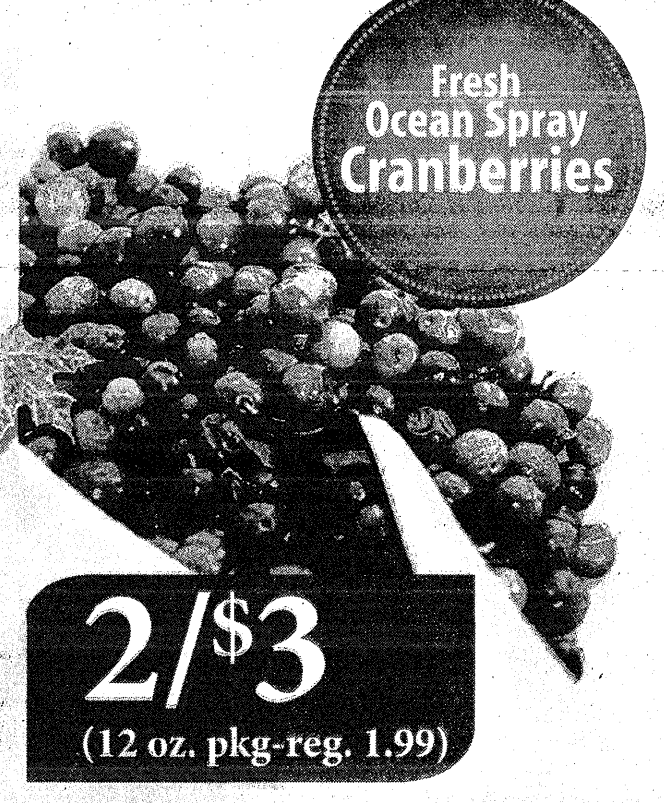
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Holiday season brings out heart of donors

It's worth noting the Plymouth Salvation Army Corps kicked off its annual Red Kettle Campaign — the corps' biggest fund-raiser and key financial provider — on Monday.

Of course, the Salvation Army isn't the only group helping the needy during the upcoming holiday season. Rotary, Kiwanis, Goodfellows, Lions and a variety of other organizations are doing their best to make sure the less fortunate are able to enjoy a nice holiday.

The Salvation Army campaign is noteworthy for a couple of reasons. First, it is perhaps the most recognizable fund-raiser out there, what with volunteers standing next to the big red kettles, drawing donors in with the rhythmic notes of the golden bells.

Less obvious is the more important note the kettle campaign is sounding this year: One of desperate need in an oppressive economy. In an area so dependent not just on the Big Three auto companies, but on ancillary suppliers as well, the struggles of the industry are hitting hard.

Here's a fact: A good number of the people in our area (the Salvation Army covers Plymouth, Canton, Northville and Belleville) who have in the past made significant donations to the Salvation Army are now the ones coming through the door needing significant help from the Salvation Army.

That's how much the need in our community has increased. That's how pivotal drives such as the Red Kettle Campaign can be. Programs like this — and any of the other drives, fund-raisers and campaigns run by countless civic, church, school and neighborhood organizations — are literally life-savers.

The Salvation Army has set a lofty goal for their campaign — \$235,000, up from the \$206,000 they raised a year ago. Teresa Moriarty, the volunteer coordinator for the Plymouth Salvation Army, says she's concerned about the need for volunteer bell ringers. Weekends are pretty well taken care of, but midweek ringers are still needed (go to www.ringbells.org or call (734) 453-5464 to volunteer). Volunteering is another way of helping — not just the Salvation Army but all the other groups, as well — if you don't think you can afford to drop some cash in the kettle.

Moriarty, however, notes times of economic downturn, of financial hardship, often bring out the best in donors. When they can feel something of the pinch themselves, people tend to be more giving.

Moriarty has history on her side, and so she won't be surprised when the Salvation Army tops its goal.

Given the generosity of this community, of course, neither will we.

Banish the gloom with bright shopping venues

The forecasts are gloomy, and it's not the unseasonably cold weather that economists are talking about.

Rather, they're gritting their teeth at the prospect of a lean holiday shopping season. So lean will it be, they're predicting, that sales could be in the negative column, meaning a decrease in sales from previous years.

That's where suburban shoppers come in. Let's face it: We're all feeling the pinch of higher utility bills and stagnant wages, so where we spend our dollars this season is more important than ever.

After all, it's the trickle down effect. The state economy needs tax revenue from healthy retail sales, and to stay in business — and employ thousands of us during the season — retailers need your business.

There's no need, however, for suburban shoppers to grit their teeth this holiday season. There are plenty of reasons to shop locally that go well beyond keeping the local economy healthy.

There's nothing like seeing a purchase up close and personal, whether it be to check out the right color for a sweater, or to make sure the features on Wii and Guitar Hero are what you expected.

Besides, when you shop in your hometown, there are no pricey shipping and handling charges that buyers encounter online. Those two items don't exactly put you in a holiday mood.

Shopping close to home, though, offers a perfect chance to get in the holiday spirit. Shoppers, and the youngsters who tag along, often thrill to the child-sized train rides at the Oakland Mall in Troy and Laurel Park Place in Livonia.

Shopping locally also gives buyers a chance to check out boutique stores in downtown districts, like Birmingham, or that exceptional handmade gift at, say, a library gift shop.

Holiday festivals, such as at the one Dec. 6 at Willow Creek Shopping Plaza in Canton, and like the Lagniappe on Dec. 1, with the Big Bright Light Show in Rochester, give buyers just a little something extra with their purchases.

Everyone loves a bargain, and forecasters predict there will be plenty of those to warm up to this holiday season. So buy locally and make this season merry and bright for all.



Economic stimulus

Our economy is in shambles. Our credit, housing and insurance industries have imploded, the auto industry is teetering, stock values and consumer confidence are very low as equity in homes and value in 401(k)s has evaporated.

Our elected leaders are debating how to right the ship, who should get bailed out and who shouldn't. While some are racing to the bailout cookie jar, one way or the other we will all pay.

Roughly one in 10 jobs in America is auto industry-related. The domestic auto industry is vital to our economy as well as to our national defense. Does arsenal of democracy ring a bell? There seems to be a consensus that our dependence upon foreign oil is detrimental to both our economy and our national security interests and that our economy needs another stimulus package to jolt us out of this deepening recession.

Money to bail out failing auto companies alone won't make anyone buy their product which will only delay their demise if they can't quickly build and sell vehicles. Cash rebate checks to taxpayers would be used to pay down debt or for savings so the bang for the buck would be minimal.

Suggestion — An economic stimulus plan which includes a fast track provision that would provide a federal voucher (e.g. \$10G each) for the down payment on the purchase of a new domestically produced vehicle that gets say at least 24 mpg.

I picked that number because each of the Big Three produces numerous vehicles in that mileage range. This plan would use federal tax dollars to boost sagging demand by putting money directly into the hands of consumers that could only be used for the purchase of a new domestically produced medium to high mileage vehicle. It would leave market forces intact. Producers would still compete with each other, explore mergers and other avenues to become more efficient but it would immediately put Americans back to work by cranking up a vital U.S. industry.

A nice side benefit would be the gradual reduction in gasoline demand as it would reward the purchase of more fuel efficient vehicles. An industry bailout is giving away fish dinners. This plan would provide a fishing pole to the industry. If the incentive vouchers had to be repeated somewhere down the road the mileage criteria could be increased giving the industry time to get higher mileage vehicles to market.

A larger stimulus package will probably have to include investment in our nation's crumbling infrastructure, too.

Mike Gerou
35th District Court

Against new charter school

A new charter school in Canton concerns me for reasons other than traffic or property value. First, in a beleaguered economy, the last thing Plymouth-Canton Community Schools need is to lose several hundred students to a charter school. PCCS has survived hard times because of growth, but the school board still faces major cuts each year. The state has not raised the per-pupil funding to meet rising costs.

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The second difficulty I see is that public tax money is funding a "target audience" school. Charter schools receive the same per-pupil allowance from the state as public schools, but do not have a public board nor require open meetings. I have no issue with private schools of any stripe, but I do take issue with this school, unless all private schools in the district can also receive public monies.

Elizabeth Givens
Canton

Insinuation is insulting

To Bob J. Harden (letter "Don't profit from education," Nov. 13): You have a right to be against charter schools. You have a right to be against this particular proposed charter school. You also have a right to be against for-profit learning institutions.

You really cross the line by insinuating Muslims who teach are insulting our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan. You seem to be implying that this proposed school will be funding terrorism and the Iraq insurgency. Your comments are not only ridiculous, they are also insulting to the growing Arab-American community here in Canton.

Khalil S. Kandah
Canton

Make schools diabetic safe

For children with diabetes, managing their condition is a full-time job. Their daily tasks include monitoring their blood sugar levels several times and often taking multiple insulin shots. For these children, proper management of their condition is not a choice, it's an absolute necessity. Keeping blood sugar levels under control enables kids to live healthier and more productive lives at school and at play and to avoid health complications.

Unfortunately, students with diabetes are often left with no assistance in caring for their condition at school. This is why it's so important for the Michigan Legislature to pass House Bill 6555, prompted by the American Diabetes Association's Safe at School Campaign and supported by the Michigan Diabetes Outreach Network, National Kidney Foundation of Michigan, and Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. The legislation will allow diabetic students to bring necessary personal equipment to school to monitor their condition during class or school-related activities.

The legislation will also ensure that schools have personnel to assist with daily and emergency diabetes care tasks. All too often, a single nurse is assigned to cover as many as 10 schools. Even when schools have a full-time nurse, they are not always available, especially during field trips and extracurricular activities. By training school personnel to perform diabetes care tasks, students will safely get help when a nurse is not present.

I am going to contact my state representative and state senator and encourage them to support the Safe at School Campaign. I hope you will do the same.

Brock Varner
National Kidney Foundation of Michigan
Canton

Wake-up call for McCotter

Thaddeus McCotter was re-elected with about 51 percent of voters supporting him. His leading opponent, Joe Larkin, received 45 percent of the vote, with two minor candidates splitting the rest.

This should be a wake-up call to Mr. McCotter. His messages to his constituents consistently brag about his refusal to work with the Democrats across the aisle. Until recently, he was firmly aligned with the Bush administration policies, only breaking with Bush in the last few months after the president's approval ratings dropped so low that it has become embarrassing to be tied to him.

Rep. McCotter has been serving a tiny fraction of his constituents on the far right. The recent close election confirms that the 11th District is centrist right as is the United States as a whole.

In his recent victory speech, Mr. McCotter said, "The fundamental goal, if re-elected is to serve your constituents whether it's a President Bush, a President McCain or President Obama, you look at the interests of the district and if some things are good, you vote for them and if some things are bad, you oppose them."

In order to serve the interests of his district, Mr. McCotter should understand that his constituents clearly demonstrated that nearly half of them do not approve of his past practices as our representative. Like the rest of the country, most of us want to see a bipartisan approach to solving the complex problems our district, state and country are facing.

This is an opportunity for Rep. McCotter to show true leadership in Congress, by example and by influence. He can lead the other conservative Republicans in helping to shape policy instead of simply opposing it.

We have many complex problems that affect all the residents of the 11th District. We cannot afford to have our representative in Congress continue to act based on narrow ideological beliefs which do not serve the needs of his district.

John and Martha Adamson
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— Teresa Moriarty, Plymouth Salvation Army volunteer coordinator, expressing admiration for the giving spirit of people, especially during hard times

Republicans and Democrats praise Milliken's leadership

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Tuesday night at Livonia's Laurel Manor was like a high school reunion for politicians and political journalists.

They had come to honor William Milliken, Michigan's longest-serving governor, who has come to symbolize civility, bipartisanship and devotion to public service.

Milliken, 86, who served from 1969 to 1982, was honored by the Michigan Political History Society. Previous honorees were longtime Attorney General Frank Kelley, former House Co-Speaker Paul Hillegonds and former Gov. James Blanchard.

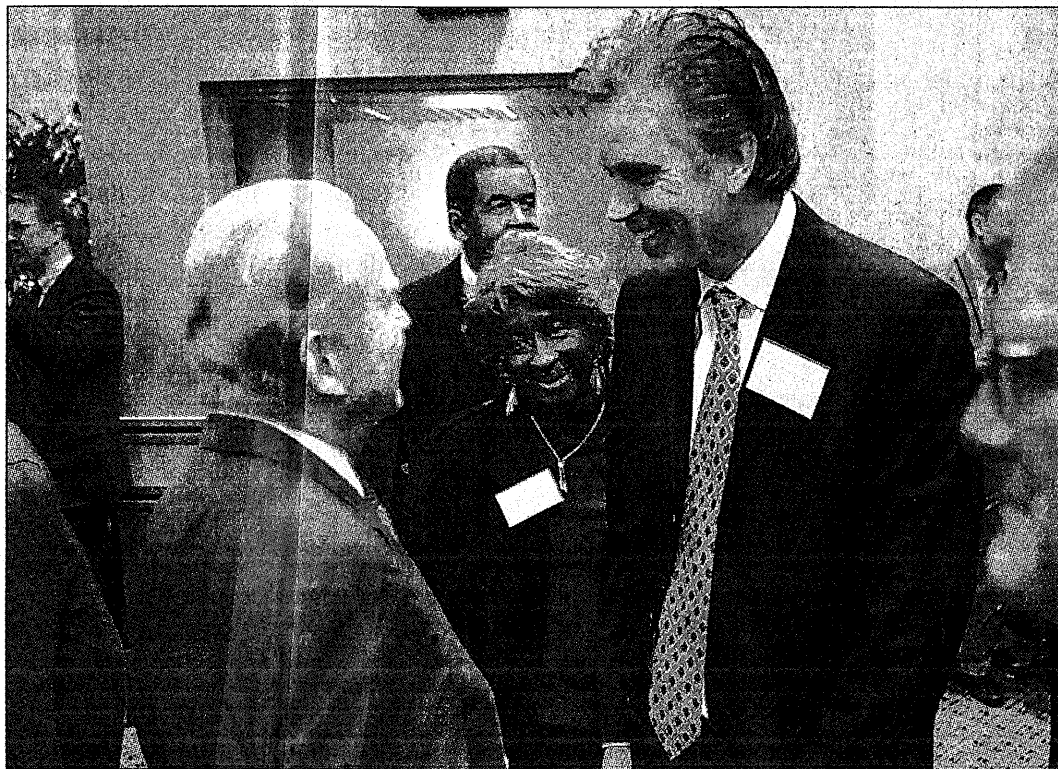
Politicians and journalists from the Milliken era exchanged handshakes, hugs and laughs as they caught up on lost time and reminisced about their days in Lansing. The formal presentations combined some mild roasting with heartfelt tributes to the man admired as much for his demeanor as his progressive Republican politics.

"Bill Milliken represents civility in government and he was in fact the most civil of individuals, he would listen to both sides," said former U.S. Rep. Joe Schwarz prior to the presentation. "He was decisive but never offensive, all the things that people today should strive to be."

That theme was struck time and again by the evening's speakers and demonstrated in Milliken's response.

"It is so good to be here in this room with all of you. I have been deeply moved by your friendship and the words spoken tonight," Milliken said.

Democrat Frank Kelley, 85, Michigan's attorney general from 1961 to 1998, began the evening's tributes. He said he and Milliken came from different backgrounds but were both inspired by their fathers to become public servants. Kelley praised Milliken's polit-



Michigan House Speaker Andy Dillon, D-Redford, has a talk with former Gov. William Milliken. Looking on is state Sen. Martha Scott, D-Detroit.

ical courage.

"He actually led a battle to raise Michigan's taxes that all economists agreed were needed at the time," Kelley said. "He raised taxes, that takes courage and if you don't believe me, ask Andy Dillon."

But Kelley, too, spotlighted Milliken's personality. "He was always even-handed and a perfect gentleman in relations with others, and he trusted the opposition party and treated the opposition with fairness," Kelley said.

Former Republican Party chairman William McLaughlin called Milliken "the best candidate in the nation to work with on the Republican side," especially in 1974 in the midst of the Watergate scandal.

David Baker Lewis spoke about the special relationship between Milliken and Detroit Mayor Coleman Young. He said there was a common wisdom that Republican gov-

ernors and Democratic big city mayors would always be at odds.

"William Milliken shattered that stereotype as he did many others," Lewis said. "Relations with the city were the best they could have been. The governor and mayor were known as the odd couple and not because they were at odds."

Former Milliken aides Keith Molin, Joyce Braithwaite-Brickley and Bill Rustem offered their views of the man who has come to symbolize moderate Republicanism in Michigan.

Rustem said Milliken was a Republican of another era, in the heritage of Abraham Lincoln, Theodore Roosevelt and Dwight Eisenhower.

Milliken was in strong voice, belying his years, and offered some strong views on today's political landscape.

He praised the Michigan Political History Society, which was formed 15 years ago

to preserve Michigan's political history.

"The society's efforts are helping foster a greater understanding and perspective on what has happened in the past and what is happening now in the field of public policy," he said.

He said he is impressed by how Obama ran his campaign and the deliberate approach he is taking in forming his administration.

"I believe he will be a president who will see beyond pure partisanship and appeal to our highest natures," he said. "As a Republican, I am glad we have made this incredible move at this time in our history."

Milliken attended the dinner with his wife Helen.

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Charter school hearing delayed

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Those wanting to speak for or against the arrival of a new charter school in Canton will have to wait a while longer.

Nawal Hamadeh, the founder, superintendent and CEO of Hamadeh Educational Services Inc., requested that the company's special land use request be removed from Monday's Canton Planning Commission agenda.

A new date has not been set for the hearing, which was postponed once before.

"I thought we had everything but the township needed more information," Hamadeh said. "We are working on it."

In a township staff report to the Dearborn Heights-based school system, Canton Community Planner Jeff Goulet said officials raised questions over "outstanding issues" such as traffic and storm water.

The item was removed from Monday's agenda in order for the company to

better address those issues before coming before the commission.

"They don't want to have to come back twice," Goulet said, adding that school officials will contact the township once they are prepared to proceed. "When they feel they are ready, we will re-advertise (the land use request)."

Hamadeh Educational Services educates 2,000 students in three facilities and is looking to relocate its Detroit school to the township.

The proposed 77,420-square-foot building would sit on Saltz Road between Beck and Ridge and would accommodate 750 students.

Homeowners in the two subdivisions that would border the school, Vintage Valley and Antique Forest, have questioned what impact the school would have on property values, traffic and funding for the Plymouth-Canton school district.

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By Elena Lombardi

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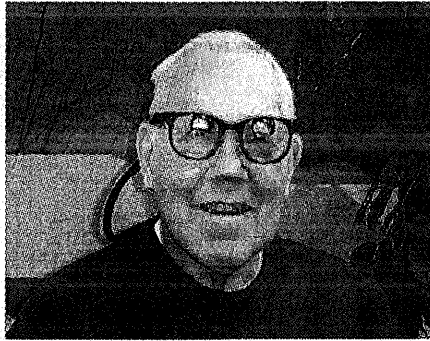
Today Michigan Optometrist Dr. Sheldon Smith has the answers many of these people have been seeking. Dr. Smith, a Low Vision Specialist, helps people with these types of eye diseases see better. A Fellow of the International Academy of Low Vision Specialists, Dr. Smith is one of a select group of doctors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

"People don't know there are experienced doctors who can help them with specialized low vision care," says Dr. Smith. "Many people hear from their own doctors that nothing can be done for their eye disease, but there are ways to improve vision" says Dr. Smith. "I devise special glasses to help patients meet their various visual goals."

Patients often end up using weak, clumsy hand-held magnifiers trying to see. Conversely, Dr. Smith prescribes hands-free devices that are easier to use. "We use the same telescopic devices surgeons use during operations," says Dr. Smith. "That's how powerful and convenient they are."

Special prismatic reading glasses and microscopes help make reading a little easier. Telescopic glasses primarily focus on distance objects like TV, passing neighbors or scenery. Telescopes can also be adapted to closer tasks like playing cards or computers. "Telescopes can even help people meet the driver vision requirement," Dr. Smith explained. Michigan is one of 46 states that allow bioptic telescopic glasses for driving.

Mr. Don Liptak, age 74 of Livonia, Michigan saw Dr. Smith last January. Don had macular degeneration and was on strong chemotherapy for leukemia. Don had 20/60 vision and sought help with reading,



Don Liptak wearing driving telescopes

driving and the computer. The doctor prescribed a system of three low vision aids that addressed all of Don's objectives.

"These are better for the computer than anything else I've tried," Don said. "Last week I went out in my '66 Mustang convertible and the glasses helped me see things far away. It's hard losing your independence but these glasses make my life easier."

Many activities require their own unique device, such as reading and driving. The extent of each system varies as people have differing visual ability and range of interests. Special reading glasses start at \$600 and most custom telescopes cost from \$1800 to \$2500. Interest free financing is available.

"Each patient has a unique amount of vision and their own goals," says Smith, "so I help patients do what matters most to them. We train patients to use their remaining vision and their devices to meet the challenges of daily living. Also safeguarding present vision levels is crucial. Sun filters and nutritional supplements can improve vision and prevent further sight loss."

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

You can reach Dr. Smith and Suburban Low Vision of Michigan at **1-877-677-2020**.

Dr. Smith has offices in Livonia, Warren and Greater Lansing. Visit Suburban Low Vision of Michigan at suburbaneyecare.com or find out more about the International Academy of Low Vision Specialists at ialvs.com.

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Canton resident dines with WNIC stars

Why did Carol Richardson want to have lunch with WNIC radio jocks?

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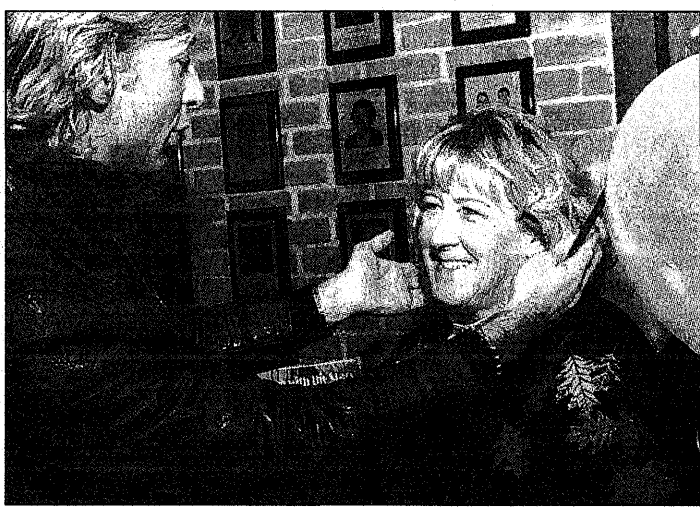
"I love WNIC and would never switch to satellite radio," wrote Richardson, who got to meet and lunch with her favorite radio crew — WNIC's Breakfast Club hosts Chris Edmonds, Lisa Barry and newsman Dave Lockhart and afternoon host Kevin O'Neill — Tuesday at Buddy's in Farmington Hills.

"I could not function in the mornings or apply makeup without Lisa on my shower radio and my bathroom counter radio," Richardson wrote. "Dave Lockhart is so precious with his conservative views, reminds me of Dad. Chris Edmonds is hilarious. Kevin gets me home — traffic jams, rain, snow or sun I am devoted to Kevin."

Richardson presented each WNIC radio host with a rose in the limo ride to Buddy's courtesy of Class Plus Limo.

"Lunch lasted over two hours," said Marcy Brontman of Buddy's, who initiated the Dining with the Stars promotion with this newspaper.

Richardson, a Canton



Dining with the Stars winner Carol Richardson of Canton Township gets a mini-makeover from Sebastian Kobeissi of I Design Salon and Spa in Dearborn.

Township resident, said it was "way more than I expected."

She even brought her best friend, Deb Lance, to share in her win and give her support on the way to picking up her "stars." Buddy's owner, Robert Jacobs, stopped at the table to congratulate the winner and meet the stars and the staff at Buddy's got into the spirit of the moment.

"They arrived at 11 a.m. when Buddy's just opened, so they had the entire place to themselves. It was very cool. About 40 minutes later, the place was packed. They left about 1 p.m.

full and happy," Brontman said, adding "the limo driver carried out about 40 balloons for Carol and put them in the limo for the trip home."

Buddy's Pizza donated \$500 to The Children's Miracle Network and Judson Center in honor of the WNIC crew.

Richardson also was treated to a mini-makeover by Sebastian Kobeissi of I Design Salon and Spa in Dearborn, a \$100 gift certificate from Reaver Diamond Co. in Southfield and dance exhibition by the Fred Astaire Dance Studio in Bloomfield Hills.

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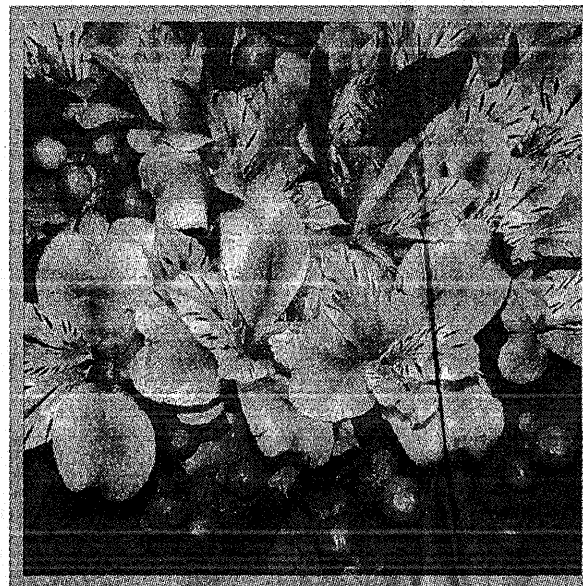
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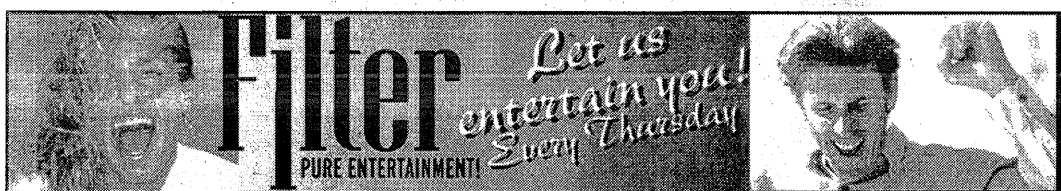
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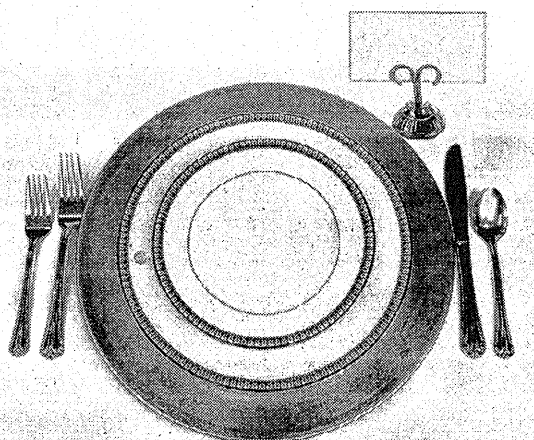


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Thumbs up to real grass, great catches and banning the '3'

None asked, but here are a few between-seasons observations I thought I'd throw at you. Unfortunately, I can't guarantee you they'll all be spirals...



Ed Wright

■It's puzzling to read all the recent comments on MLive.com that rip on the fact a few of this weekend's MHSAA semifinal football games will be played on real grass at Lansing Everett High School instead of artificial turf.

I could understand the whining if it was the MHSAA *miniature golf* tournament, an event that would require a smooth, pure surface. But we're talking about *football* for crying out loud — a sport that was made great by guys like Bronko Nagurski, Joe Schmidt and Dick Butkus, warriors who toiled on ripped-up fields of sod that would have made Everett's plush turf look like a fairway at the Augusta National Golf Course.

Give me the real stuff any day and the muddier, the merrier.

■Hats off to the organizers of the Kim Renzi Freshmen Volleyball Tournament, which raised over \$4,000 last month for the family of Kim Renzi, and to the members of the Salem volleyball program, which organized a fund-raiser at the Box Bar that raised over \$1,600 for the same cause.

Renzi, the Plymouth freshmen volleyball coach, has been valiantly battling metastatic melanoma since she was diagnosed with the horrible disease back in September.

The way the community has supported the Renzis over the past few months is truly inspirational.

■It's time to alter the three-point shot in high school basketball. Instead of rewarding three points to the teams that bury 19-foot-plus jumpers, let's get rid of the arc completely and give three points to a team if it executes a perfect back-door, give-and-go or pick-and-roll layup.

The closer you get to the basket, the tougher it is to score, so let's change the rules accordingly.

■You read it here first: If I win the Mega Millions Lottery tomorrow, I'm going to purchase a 20-foot-by-30-foot, high-definition, plasma TV screen that we can attach to the PCEP football stadium's scoreboard. I can't tell you how many

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PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Tyler Horgarth attempts to grab one of Jack Heineman's flags during a Michigan Youth Flag Football practice earlier this month at the Canton Sports Center. Close to 550 Plymouth and Canton youngsters participated in the league this fall.

Flag-rant fun

MYFFL teaches youngsters gridiron fundamentals

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

You don't need pads or tackling to learn many of the important lessons the storied game of football has to offer.

Close to 550 Plymouth and Canton youngsters learned that fact the fun way this fall when they participated in the local version of the Michigan Youth Flag Football League, which capped its 2008 season with a state championship tournament this past weekend at Walled Lake Northern High School.

Decked out in the jerseys of NFL franchises, 53 teams in four age groups — ranging from a kindergarten/first-grade division to a sixth-seventh-eighth grade league — played a non-contact version of the sport during a seven-week, eight-game regular season that stretched

from mid-September to early-November.

"The first thing we wanted the players to learn was how to work as a team," said Canton resident Jonathan Mehl, who served as co-coach of the 2nd/3rd grade Bears along with Plymouth resident Bryson Horgarth. "From Day 1, we taught them that they're not 10 individuals, they're one team, which is so important in football."

"A lot of the kids had played baseball before, but not football. While you're together as a team in baseball, the players are doing their own thing. In football, we tried to teach them that everybody has to do their job on every play for the team to succeed. It was a great learning experience for the kids — and a

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Nicholas Ontko unleashes a pass as co-coach Bryson Horgarth looks on.

Sidelines



Falcusan

Falcusan signs

Head coach Jill Hirschinger of the University of New Hampshire volleyball team announced last Thursday the signing of Salem senior Jansan Falcusan to a National Letter of Intent to join the Wildcats' program.

Falcusan signed during the fall early-signing period.

Falcusan, a 5-10 setter, was an All-Conference selection in the Kensington Lakes Athletic Association, an All-Area, All-Region and Michigan All-State selection in 2008.

In addition, Falcusan was recently named a Salem Scholar-Athlete Award winner, which is presented to student-athletes with grade-point averages of 3.5 or higher.

"We are excited to have Jansan as a member of the UNH volleyball team," said Hirschinger.

Turkey Trot

Canton Leisure Services will be hosting the 5th Annual Thanksgiving Day 5K Fun Run & Walk on Nov. 27.

The course will wind through Pheasant Run Golf Course and Heritage Park.

Proceeds will be donated to the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan.

Registration for the event begins at 8:30 a.m. at the Pheasant Run Golf Course clubhouse.

The kids' race starts at 9:15 a.m. with the 5K run/walk immediately following.

The registration fee is \$20 before Nov. 21 and \$25 the day of the race. The kids' fee (12 and under) is \$10.

For more information, call (734) 483-5600.

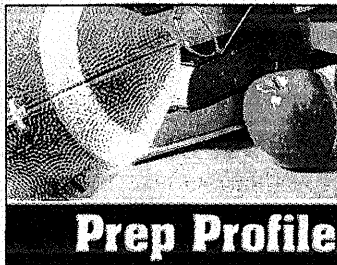
Bair peaking at ideal time

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The hundreds upon thousands upon — who knows, *millions*? — of strokes Emily Bair has used to propel her body through the water in the Salem High School pool the past four years will pay off handsomely beginning this afternoon.

For the first time in her four-year career at Salem, Bair is a multiple individual qualifier in the Division 1 state swimming meet that begins today at Eastern Michigan University — and the man who knows best says no one deserves the career-closing achievements more than Bair.

"Emily is a super young lady," said Salem coach Chuck Olson. "She's always been a good swimmer, but the past couple of years she's taken it more seriously and it has shown in her results. She's always done well on our relay teams, but



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this year she qualified for the state meet in the 100 butterfly and the 200 individual, which is quite an accomplishment.

"Emily has done as well as she has because she's always been a good practice swimmer. She never takes a practice off."

Successful start

Bair began swimming competitively in the seventh grade at Discovery Middle School. The following summer she joined the Plymouth-Canton Cruisers and she's been swimming year-round ever since.

"I love the camaraderie with my teammates and I just love

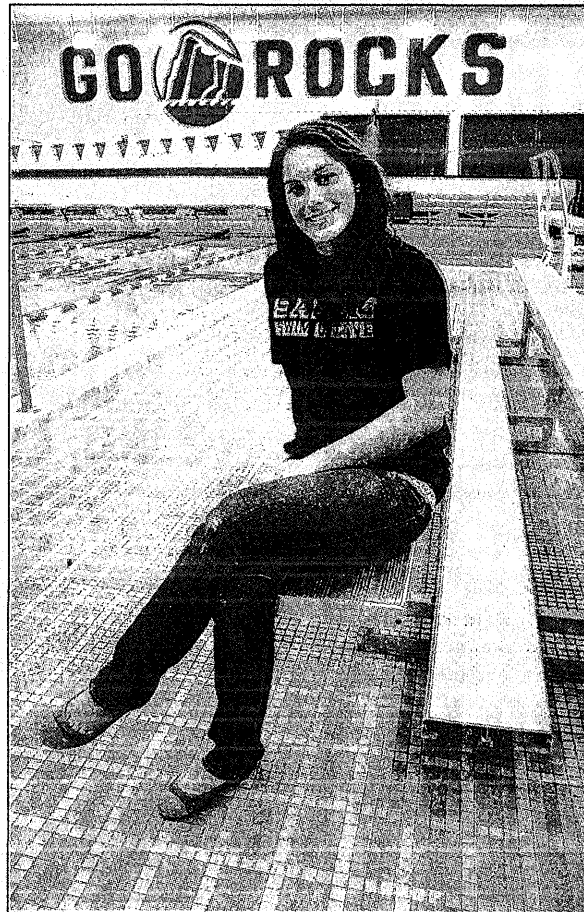
being in the water," she said. "Even though I swim year-round, I've never gotten sick of it. I enjoy practice because it's different every day."

Swimming is in the Bair family's genes. Her dad, Derek, qualified to compete in the 100 butterfly at the 1976 U.S. Olympics Trials. He also swam one year in college before hanging up his goggles.

Bair was voted a team captain prior to the season and it's a role she's handled as well as her in-the-water role.

"Emily is a good captain because she relates well to the very good swimmers and just as well to the novices," said Olson. "She's a very good organizer and she does a lot of things to build team unity. She gets things done and she does it with a smile on her face. She's just a nice young lady."

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Senior Emily Bair has made countless contributions — both in the water and out — to the Salem girls swim and dive team the past four years.



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Salem icers possess the talent to score loads of goals

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Firepower shouldn't be a problem for Salem's hockey team this season.

A surplus of players who know how to put the puck into the back of the net should make the Rocks solid contenders in the inaugural season of the Kensington Lakes Activities Association's South Division, which also includes Canton, Plymouth, Livonia, Churchill and Livonia Franklin.

"We have a lot of depth at forward, so we moved a few of our for-

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wards back to defense because we were a little short on defense," said Salem coach Ryan Ossenmacher. "Offensively, we should be strong. We have skilled skaters at key positions. We have a lot of guys playing defense for the first time, but their speed should help make up for any mistakes they make early in the season."

The captain's role will be filled by Dave Russell, who served as an alternate captain last season. The four-year varsity player has grown

with the program — both literally and figuratively.

"His freshman year, he was a little undersized, so he took his lumps," said Ossenmacher. "But he's improved his game every year and he's grown a lot, too. The strides Dave has made in the past four years are incredible."

Serving as alternate captains will be Ryan Blakey and Nick Gennety, a junior and senior, respectively.

"We moved Ryan back from forward to defense," Ossenmacher said. "He's probably one of our two

or three fastest skaters, so he'll help us back there."

"Nick is a four-year player who was chosen to play in the Michigan Developmental Hockey League this past summer. He played all summer against most of the best high school players in Michigan, so that definitely helped him."

Sam Ott, the Rocks' leading goal-scorer last season, returns to engineer the team's scoring attack. Ott scored close to 20 goals as a junior. "We're expecting a lot out of Sam again this season," said Ossenmacher. "He's surrounded

by better players this year, which should make him a better player."

Two new-comers — first-year juniors Mario Macari and Josh Jarvela — will play key roles for the Rocks, in Ossenmacher's estimation. "Those are two guys that will give us incredible forward depth," he said.

The goal-tending duties will be shared by first-year senior Adam Powers, who played Junior-A last season, and junior Eric Fiorentino, who earned several starts last year as a sophomore.

"Adam is incredibly athletic,"

Ossenmacher said. "He's as good of a puck handler as we have on the team. He's very quick."

"Eric is long and lanky who played well positionally last year. I told them both that we'll ride the hot hand early in the season."

Ossenmacher said the KLAASouth should be formidable.

"From top to bottom, it's probably in the top two or three divisions in the state," he said.

Salem opens its 2008 slate Friday night with an 8:30 p.m. home game against Bloomfield Hills United.

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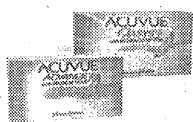
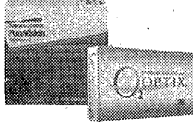
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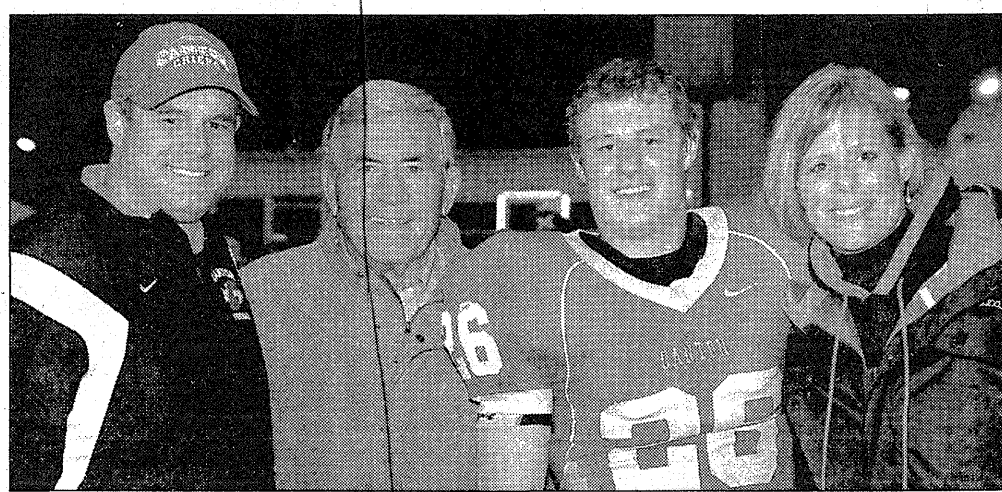
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Maize and blue (and red) reunion

Former University of Michigan All-American football player and current Canton assistant coach Tom Dixon (left) was reunited with former U-M coach Gary Moeller (second from left) following the Chiefs' Nov. 7 playoff game against Saline. Moeller's grandson, Nick, was the Hornets' starting quarterback. Also pictured are Dixon's son, Alex, and his wife, Yvette.

WRIGHT

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times the past four years I saw a great play and then instinctively looked up to the scoreboard for a replay.

Once the lottery is won (I'm an optimist) and the replay board is installed, I will have just one request: Can I hold the clicker?

■ What's dropping faster: gas prices or the value of our 401(k)s?

■ I have witnessed close to 100 high school football games in my life and I've probably seen anywhere from 1,500 to 2,000 pass

receptions.

Given the high stakes involved, the athletic skill displayed and the fact he couldn't have been covered any tighter, the diving TD catch Wade Stahl made during the fourth quarter of Friday night's Division I Regional final football game was the best I've ever seen.

■ A high-five to the three PCEP high schools' athletic department secretaries — Diane Daves (Plymouth), Cathy Bogdanski (Canton) and Marge Verduce (Salem) — who do a great job helping athletic directors Sue Heinzman and Tom Willette make sure things run smoothly at

the Park.

■ I've come up with a way to ensure parity in the NFL: The team that wins the Super Bowl each February must hire Matt Millen as its general manager for the following year. The Lions are excluded from this rule. They've suffered enough.

■ Finally: If you're a turkey and you're still able to read this, do what Canton's football team does so well: *RUN!*

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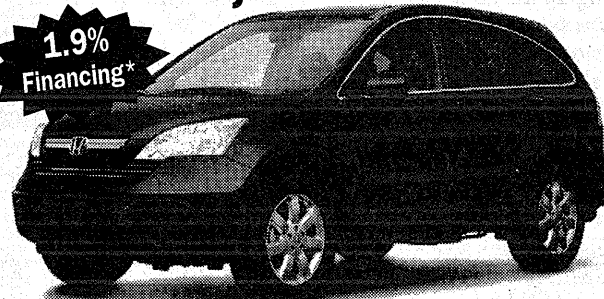
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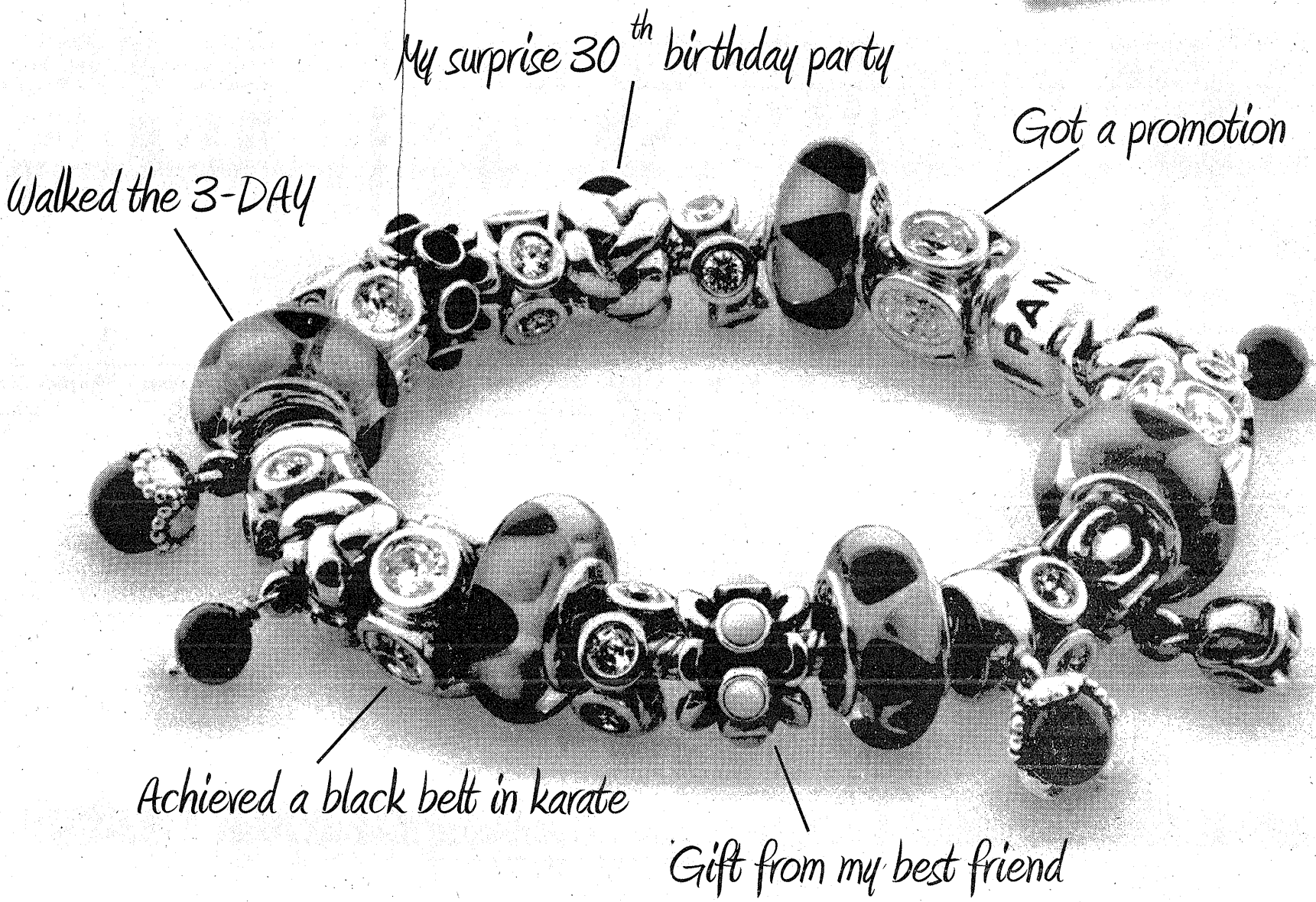
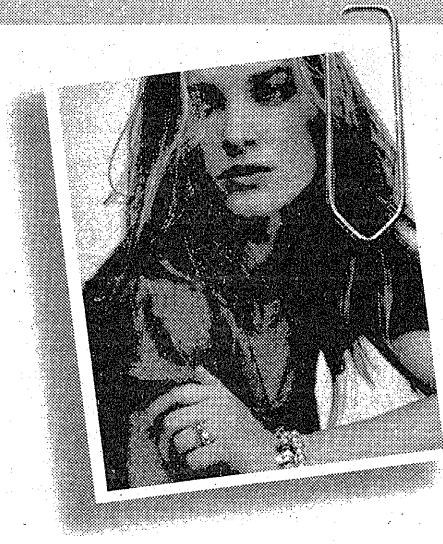
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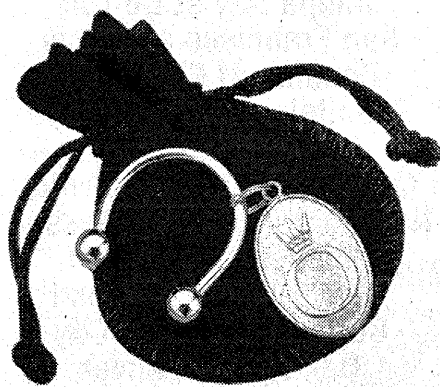
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London's third-period barrage sinks Whalers

Justin Taylor and Akim Aliu scored two power play goals each as the London Knights built a 3-2 lead after forty minutes of play and pulled away from the Plymouth Whalers with three unanswered goals in the third period to defeat the Whalers, 6-2, in an Ontario Hockey League game played before Saturday a sellout crowd of 4,102 at Compuware Arena. London improves to 16-5-0-1.

Plymouth is now 7-12-2-0. Kale Kerbashian and Tucker Hunter also scored for London. Vern Cooper (6th) and Josh Bemis (1st) replied for Plymouth. London never trailed in the game, taking a 2-0 lead in the first period on goals by Taylor (10th of the season, scoring in tight quarters in front of the Plymouth net at 6:58) and Aliu (third of the year at 19:40, finishing

off an excellent solo rush). Plymouth cut the London lead to 2-1 on Cooper's goal at 1:22 of the second period when he played Jordon O'Neill's high shot off the glass behind the London net and scored from the lower rim of the right circle. Kerbashian scored the eventual game-winner at 4:26 on a shot from the slot. Plymouth cut the London lead to 3-2 at 8:25 of the period on Josh Bemis'

shot from the right point. The key moments in the game came at the start of the third period. London came into the period with a 5-on-3 advantage and cashed in, receiving two more power plays goals from Aliu (hard shot from the left wing at 0:37) and Taylor at 3:24. Tucker Hunter closed the scoring with his first goal of the season at 9:35. In all, London went 4-for-9 on the

power play, while the Whalers went 1-for-7. London outshot Plymouth, 45-35. Plymouth is off until Friday night when they play in Owen Sound. The Whalers host Sault Ste. Marie in their next home game on Saturday at Compuware Arena. Game time is 7:05 p.m. Tickets are available by calling (734) 453-8400.

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All-Observer harriers are best in the long run

FIRST TEAM

SARA KROLL, JR., LIV. CHURCHILL: The three-time All-Area selection capped on outstanding junior year with a school-record 5,000-meter time of 17:53.5 en route to a seventh-place finish at the Division 1 state meet.

Kroll also took firsts at the regional (17:58.3), Kensington Conference (18:43), KLAAs South Division and Wayne County (18:01.7) meets. She also took seconds at the West Bloomfield (18:45) and Jackson (18:07.3) invitationals, as well as a third at Michigan State (18:16).

"Sara took herself to a new level this year, she set high goals for herself and did what she needed to do to achieve them," Churchill coach Sue Tatro said of the KLAAs Scholar Athlete and team MVP. "She has all the qualities of an elite runner: work ethic, competitive drive, intelligence, talent and passion."

"She peaked at the right time and ran her best race at the state meet where she broke her own school record. It's an absolute joy coaching Sara, and I'm looking forward to watching her continue in her leadership role next season."

COURTNEY CALKA, SR., LIV. STEVENSON: The four-time All-Observer pick was an individual state qualifier in Division 1 where she placed eighth overall in 17:56.

Calka, a four-time All-Stater, was also the Brighton regional champion (17:47.8), as well as KLAAs Central Division and Livonia Public Schools Invitational champion. She was also runner-up in the Kensington Conference (19:06).

She is a three-time regional champion and owns the school record for the fastest 5K time.

"Courtney is a very dedicated cross country runner," Stevenson coach Nancy Gavor said. "She is willing to give nights out with her friends, staying up late, holding a job and eating well - to become a great runner. She is focused on winning and tries to win every race enters."

Calka is being recruited by EMU, Michigan and Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo.

AMANDA SOUTHWELL, JR., LIV. CHURCHILL: The second-time All-Area selection recorded the fifth fastest time in Charger history with an All-State performance (14th) with a time of 18:24.1 at the Division 1 finals.

Southwell also took third at the LPS meet, fourth in the regional (19:09.8), ninth at the Kensington Conference meet.

"Amanda is by far one of the most talented athletes I've had the pleasure of coaching," Tatro said. "She is a natural runner who loves to race. It was an inspiration watching her run her best race at the state meet. I think she has come to the realization that she could take her running to amazing levels in the future. I'm looking forward to watching her continue to excel at this new level."

MEGAN MCPHERSON, SOPH., LIV. FRANKLIN: The 10th-grader just missed All-State honors at the

2008 ALL-OBSERVER GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

FIRST TEAM

Sara Kroll, Jr., Liv. Churchill
Courtney Calka, Sr., Liv. Stevenson
Amanda Southwell, Jr., Liv. Churchill
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Molly Slavens, Sr., Plymouth
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Victoria Tripp, Soph., Salem
Jordyn Moore, Jr., Salem
Nicole Traitses, Fr., Plymouth

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Bethany Pilat, Fr., Liv. Churchill
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Beth Heldmeyer, Sr., Plymouth
Karli Kuchka, Sr., Liv. Stevenson
Julia Kenney, Sr., Liv. Ladywood
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Division 1 finals by finishing 32nd in a school-record time of 18:49.8.

McPherson also placed third at both the regional (18:58) and Kensington Conference (19:36), as well as fourth at the Wayne County Championships (19:04). She won the Monroe Jefferson Invitational (18:52) and was runner-up at South Lyon (19:54) and the LPS (19:51) invitationals. McPherson also took firsts in three dual meets and second in another.

She holds school course records at Nankin Mills, Cass Benton, Willow Metropark, Sterling State Park and MIS.

"After a season-ending back injury her freshman year, Megan worked hard during track and in the off-season and it really paid off," Franklin coach Dave Bjorklund said. "Megan is an extremely hard worker and very dedicated to her team, and she never let up, finishing in the top five in every invitational leading up to the state meet. It's a season we're all proud of and we look for more great things from her next year."

BIANCA KUBICKI, SOPH., CANTON: The sophomore enjoyed a stellar fall, finishing 36th at the D1 state meet and sixth in her Regional race. Kubicki won the Ypsilanti Invitational.

"Obviously, Bianca was invaluable to our team," said Canton coach Eric Pahl. "She was our No. 1 runner and pushed everybody else to make them better. She took on a leadership role, too, which was nice to see. Her future is bright, especially now that she's starting to realize her potential in the sport."

MOLLY SLAVENS, SR., PLYMOUTH: The senior turned in a spectacular senior season, placing third in the KLAAs South Division race, seventh at the conference meet, eighth at the D1 Region and 61st at the state meet. The Plymouth school record-holder took gold at the Autumn Classic, which was run in rainy conditions.

"Molly will be dearly missed next year," said Plymouth coach Mary Kerwin. "It's not often you find an athlete with tons of talent and uncompromising spirit - Molly has both."



Sara Kroll Churchill



Courtney Calka Stevenson



Amanda Southwell Churchill



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Nicole Traitses Plymouth

ALYSSA MIRA, SR., LIV. CHURCHILL: The senior and team captain wound up 69th overall at the Division 1 finals (19:22.9) after placing seventh at the regional (19:30).

Mira, a four-time All-Observer selection, owns the fourth fastest time in Churchill history (18:23).

She also took fourths at the LPS and KLAAs South Division meets, as well as a 10th in the Kensington Conference.

Mira, headed to Grand Valley State on a soccer scholarship, also is a KLAAs Scholar-Athlete and won the Churchill Coach's Award.

"Alyssa capped off a solid high school cross country career that was defined by hard work and competitiveness," Tatro said. "She is an amazing athlete who absolutely loves to race. She was a true leader who was able to motivate her teammates by her outstanding example. Being able to juggle her soccer and cross country for her four years was truly phenomenal. She'll go down in Churchill history as one of the most successful student-athletes in the girls cross country program. It has been a pleasure and privilege coaching Alyssa, and she'll be greatly missed next year."

VICTORIA TRIPP, SOPH., SALEM: The sophomore made the most of her first year in cross country by running a personal best 19:27.1 to finish 75th overall at the Division 1 state finals.

Tripp also took 10th at the

regional (19:40.6), 11th in the Kensington Conference (20:24) and 18th at the Haslett Invitational (19:27.7).

"Victoria is a tremendous competitor who is still learning in this sport," Salem coach Dave Gerlach said. "She is a two-sport athlete who we fell has not even reached her fullest potential yet. We look for Victoria to have an even bigger impact next year."

JORDYN MOORE, JR., SALEM: The junior took 73rd in the Division 1 state finals with a time of 19:25.9 after qualifying with an 11th-place finish at the regional (19:40.9).

Moore also took 16th in the Kensington Conference meet (20:40) and an 18th in the Wayne County Championships at Willow Metropark (19:55.4).

"Jordyn is definitely a big-time athlete who thrives on pressure situations and competitions," Gerlach said of the two-time state qualifier. "We know as coaches that in the competitions that matter most, Jordyn can be counted on to perform at a high level. She is highly respected by this entire organization."

NICOLE TRAITSES, FR., PLYMOUTH: The ninth-grader hit the high school stage running, racking up a sixth-place showing at the KLAAs South Division race, a 13th-place effort at the conference meet, a 12th-place Regional showing before taking 151st at the state meet. She won the all-important

Plymouth-Canton dual meet with a 19:57 at Cass Benton. "Nicole answered the call all year for me," said Kerwin. "When I told her what she needed to do in a race, she always got the job done. I'm so pleased I'll get to coach her for three more years - she's a great kid."

SUE TATRO, COACH OF YEAR, LIV. CHURCHILL: The 13th-year coach guided the Chargers to their fifth consecutive top-ten finish in the Division 1 state finals

with an eighth place.

Under Tatro's guidance, Churchill also captured the regional, Kensington Conference and KLAAs South Division crowns.

She has coached eight different All-Staters in her 13 years.

The former Sue Tatigian earned All-Observer honors as a runner at Stevenson (1983-84) before going on to run cross country and track at Michigan State. She also coached five seasons at Livonia Franklin (1990-95) before moving over to Churchill.

"This season has been one of the most gratifying in my career due to the level of improvement the girls made from throughout the season," Tatro said. "They showed a lot of resilience, dedication, motivation, and inner-strength, and it really paid off at the state meet."

"I am incredibly proud of this group and look forward to watching the returning runners strive for loftier goals next year. The seniors were an outstanding group of leaders and competitors, and they will be greatly missed."



Sue Tatro Churchill coach

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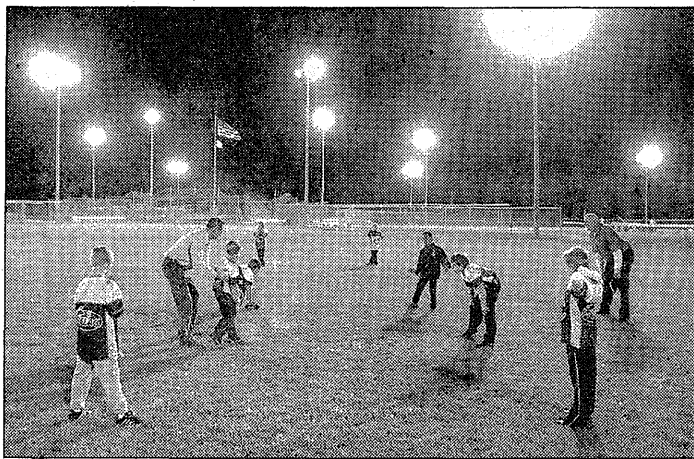
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The Bears flag football team practiced under the lights at the Canton Sports Center earlier this month.

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fun one."

Football lite

Each week included one practice — usually on a Monday or Thursday — and one Sunday afternoon game for all 53 teams. The practices were fast-paced and packed with skills-enhancing drills and exercises, Mehl said.

"At practice, we stressed the fundamentals," Mehl said. "We'd do stretches at the beginning of practice and then work on basic things like hand-offs, passing the ball, catching the ball, grabbing flags. It was fun to watch the kids progress as the season went along."

"One of the premises of the league is that every kid plays 50 percent of every game. Since we had 10 players, we took that a step further and divided the team into two

teams of five that played together the entire season."

Preferred positions

Horgarth said the league helps kids find out what their gridiron niche may be before they advance to the more serious tackle version of the sport.

"Since my son (Tyler, 7) was 3, we've been playing catch with a football," said Horgarth, of Plymouth. "We've probably thrown a ball back and forth 5,000 times. His arm has gotten so strong that he can probably throw it 35 feet accurately, which is pretty good for a second-grader, so I'm thinking he may be a quarterback."

"Well, once we started playing in this league, he found out that he likes defense best and that he'd rather be a linebacker than a quarterback."

Horgarth said he wouldn't hesitate to recommend the league to anyone who wants to find out if their child truly loves the sport.

"Without a doubt," he said.



Coach Jonathan Mehl goes over a play with Brock Nagy, Nicholas Ontko, Tyler Horgarth and Joshua Snyder.

"It's nice because it's only one practice and one game per week, unlike tackle football, which is four or five practices a week and then a game."

"It's a great way of getting the kids' feet wet at such a young age so they can find

out if they like the sport. The injury risk is a lot lower, too, than tackle football."

For more information on the league, visit www.michigan-youthflagfootball.com.

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Defenders: Jacob Clapper, Jr., Brighton; Isaiah High, Sr., Brighton; Eric Caron, Sr., Canton; Adam Bedell, Jr., Livonia Churchill; Erik Bird, Jr., Churchill; Jake Wood, Sr., Hartland; Vince Vitale, Sr., Hartland; Jamison Vogt, Jr., Howell; John Donikian, Sr., Northville; Nick Sciabasi, Sr., Northville; Bobby Laski, Sr., Novi; Allan Johnson, Sr., Pinckney; Austin Kaczanowski, Sr., Plymouth; Kevin Cope, Sr., Salem; Alec Iwasko, Sr., Livonia Stevenson; Chris Long, Sr., Stevenson; Kendal

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Forwards: Taylor Mazurek, Soph., Brighton; Sherif Hassantien, Sr., Canton; Joseph Krizanek, Sr., Canton; Max Washko, Jr., Churchill; Zain Oureshi, Sr., Franklin; Jake Chamberlain, Sr., Hartland; Silviu Coza, Sr., Hartland; Ian Courtney, Jr., Howell; Khalid Suleiman, Sr., John Glenn; Jimmy Rock, Sr., Lakeland; Trevor Stevens, Sr., Lakeland; Alex Marilley, Sr., Northville; Garrett Garuder, Sr., Novi; Chase Farley, Sr., Pinckney; Daniel Jasewicz, Jr., Plymouth; Josh Pascarella, Sr., Salem; Eric Gates, Sr., Kettering; Brad Lyons, Sr., W.L. Central; Stephen Magee, Sr., W.L.

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Central Division: 1. Stevenson, 8-0-2; 2. Salem, 7-0-3; 3. Northville, 5-4-1; 4. Novi, 3-5-2; 5. South Lyon, 2-6-2; 6. S. Lyon East, 0-10.
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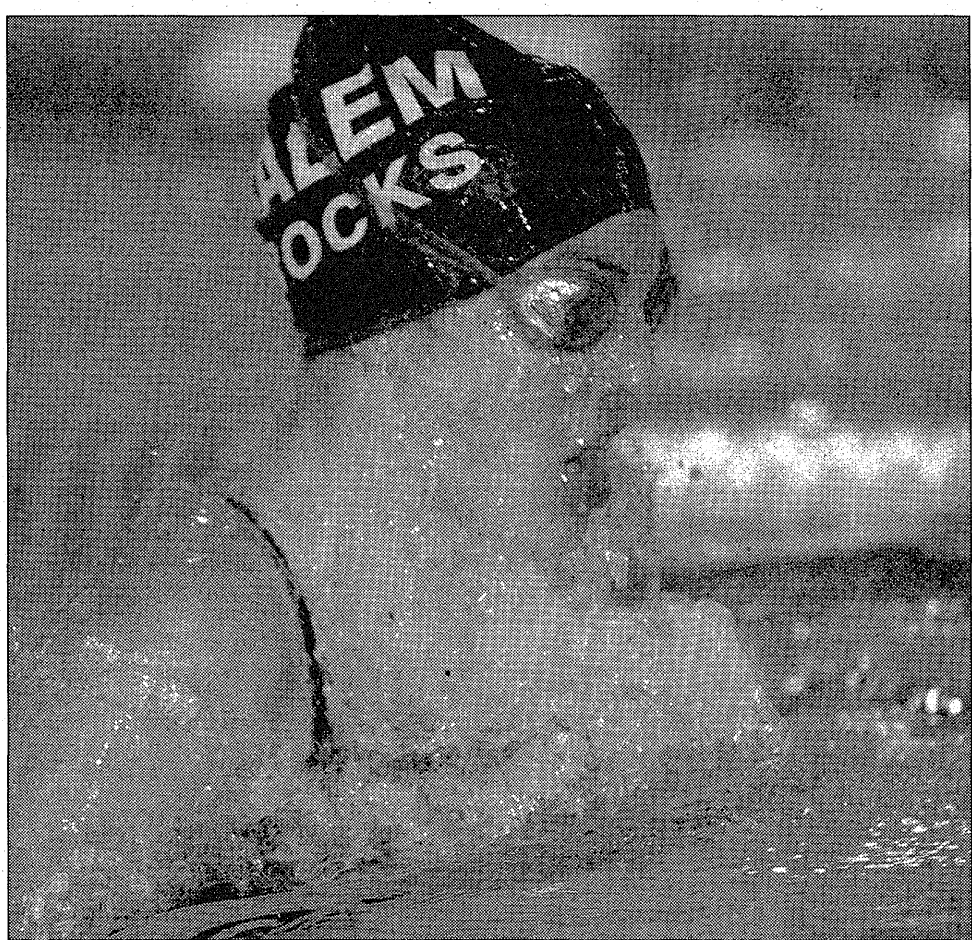
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Emily Bair is pictured competing in the 100 breaststroke during a meet last year.

BAIR

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Cherished role

Bair said she feels privileged to serve as a captain.

"I love the fact that a lot of the younger girls look up to me," she said. "I like helping them with swimming and with any hardships they may have outside of the pool."

The two S's — swimming and studying — take up a lot of Bair's after-school hours. She has earned a stellar 4.0 grade-point average and is a member of the National Honor Society.

She also enjoys volunteering at Burger

School for Students With Autism, where her 15-year-old brother, Nick, attends.

The odds are good that Bair will continue her swimming career at the collegiate level.

"I've already talked to the coach at Kalamazoo College," said Bair. "They have a great program plus they offer a strong studying abroad program, which is something that's appealing to me."

When asked about the highlight of her high school swimming career, Bair offered an answer worthy of a senior who is peaking at the right time.

"Hopefully," she said, with eyes on this weekend's state meet, "my biggest highlight is still to come."

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Ex-Cat Olech plays well in two Madonna losses

Northwood University hit the century mark Tuesday with a 106-70 non-conference women's basketball triumph over visiting Madonna University.

The Timberwolves, picked to finish second in the GLIAC-South, improved to 2-0 as Jodi Ostergren and Megan Starnes led the way with 28 and 26 points, respectively. The two also combined for 16 rebounds.

Sarah Glowacki added 19 points and seven assists, while Rachel Church and Karli LeRoy added 13 and 11 points, respectively.

Northwood, which lost an exhibition game in the final minutes to Michigan (71-66), shot 48.6 percent from the floor (35-of-72) and out-rebounded the Crusaders 52-37.

Katie Mount scored a career-high 23 points for MU, which slipped to 1-6 overall.

Kim Olech (Plymouth) chipped in with 11 points and 10 rebounds, while Christie Carrico dished out five assists.

The Crusaders, who trailed 54-40 at the half, shot only 37.5 percent from the floor (21-of-56).

CALVIN 64, MADONNA 49: Brook Van Eck poured in 20 points Saturday to lead Calvin College (1-0) to a non-conference win over host Madonna University (1-5).

Marica Harris and Sarah Partridge added 14 and 10 points, respectively, for the Knights, who led 36-21 at intermission.

Christie Carrico was the only Crusader to score in double figures with 15, while Katie Mount and Kim Olech (Plymouth) added eight each. Tabatha Wydryk had a team-high seven rebounds.

MU was out-rebounded 44-26 and Calvin won despite making 27 turnovers.

The Knights shot 50 percent from the floor (24-of-48), while MU hit only 24.5 percent (13-of-53), including 3-of-19 from three-point range.

Crusader kickers take the WHAC

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Doron Draai is usually Madonna University's set-up man.

But the senior midfielder from Kfar-Yona, Israel also showed he's also adept at putting the ball in the net as the Crusaders advanced to the NAIA men's soccer nationals for the second straight year with a 2-0 victory Saturday afternoon over Aquinas College in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference finals held at Livonia Churchill H.S.

MU, now 16-2 overall, advances to the 32-team field and will face Grand View (Ia.), 14-5-1 overall, beginning at 1 p.m. Saturday at Churchill.

Conditions were far from ideal with temperatures in the mid-30s, along with a wet wintry mix of snow flurries and rain. The match was switched from Livonia's Greenmead Field to Churchill's artificial turf, and the Crusaders were up to the elements as they out-shot the Saints, 17-8.

Draai, who notched what proved to be the game-winning goal in the 32nd minute, had only scored one other goal all season even though he assisted on nine others en route to WHAC Offensive Player of the Year honors. His shot through traffic was off a header to the left side of the box originally initiated on a play by Dan Pichler (Livonia Stevenson) and Mark Pikula.

MU's Victor Otieno then went top-self to score the all-important insurance goal with

24:21 remaining. Mike Ujkic took the initial shot after a cross through the box by Jacob Rosiek to give the Crusaders a two-goal cushion.

MU goalkeeper Anthony DeMarco, faced only eight shot attempts, made two key stops in the final 20 minutes to preserve the shutout.

"It was a hard game, we knew it would be wet and fast, but we were prepared for that because we practiced on turf all week," Draai said. "Everybody played their best game of the year at the best time."

"This is a good reward for the second year in a row. Last year we had great players, but this year we play more as a team. We possess the ball and we're able to play real fast."

If the 15th-seeded Crusaders win their first-round match, they will take on the first-round winner of No. 2 seed Rio Grande (Ohio) and Bethel (Ind.) College beginning at 11:30 a.m. (PST) Monday, Dec. 1 at Fresno Pacific University (Calif.).

"We're just not happy to get there this time," MU coach Tino Scicluna said. "Last year we played a competitive game, but this year our goal is to win the play-on game and go to California."

"We've played two of our better games late in the season. We were focused more today on the details. Defensively we've been a sloppy team at times this season. We needed to do a better job of eliminating opportunities, and we did a very good job of that today."

Draai, who played one season at Oakland University before transferring to MU, is making his senior year a special one.

"Big players play in big games," Scicluna said. "He's been rewarded with Offensive Player of the Year and today was a classic example. That's why he's gotten a lot of support from around the conference."

"He was at Oakland University. Gary Parsons (OU's coach) and I have and open exchange and Doron kind of got lost in the shuffle. Madonna is blessed to get a guy like him in the program. He's everything what Madonna wants in a player."

Aquinas, which had shared the WHAC regular season title with MU at 11-1, bowed out at 14-6 overall. Saints goalkeeper Ben Richardson kept it close throughout facing 17 shots and making eight saves.

The finish was marred by a pair of red cards (ejections) handed out in the final minute to Pichler, a junior defender, and Saints forward Erich Jackson.

Pichler, one of three Stevenson High starters on the MU squad (along with Keith Sied and Nick Dordeski), will have to sit out the NAIA Tournament opener.

"It was almost a perfect game," Scicluna said. "There was no reason for that to happen at the end of the game. It was not the best decision to that problem, but none-the-less, the players have to pay the consequences for their actions."

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STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDINANCE NO: C-2008-02 ELECTED OFFICIALS HEALTH INSURANCE RETIREMENT BENEFIT ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF PUBLIC ACT 77 OF 1989, AS AMENDED, CONFIRMING THE PRACTICE OF PROVIDING HEALTH INSURANCE RETIREMENT BENEFITS TO ELIGIBLE RETIRED FULL-TIME ELECTED OFFICIALS AND THEIR SPOUSES; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. PURPOSE. This Ordinance is to comply with the requirements of PA 77 of 1989, as amended confirming the practice of providing health insurance benefits to eligible retired full-time elected officials.

SECTION 2. FULL-TIME RETIRED ELECTED OFFICIAL HEALTH INSURANCE. Retired full-time (i.e. Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer) Township elected officials and their spouses shall be entitled to receive health insurance retirement benefits based upon either service by the full-time elected official of five (5) full terms as a full-time elected official, or service of a minimum of twenty-five (25) years of full time employment with the Township, including at least two (2) consecutive full time elected official terms.

SECTION 3. DEFINITION. HEALTH INSURANCE RETIREMENT BENEFITS. Health Insurance Retirement Benefits shall mean those retiree benefits, subject to cost sharing provisions, as provided under the current contract between the Charter Township of Plymouth and Local 2958, Michigan Council Number 25, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO (AFSCME) (or any successor bargaining unit) as it may, from time to time, be renegotiated and approved.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY.

If any clause, sentence, section, paragraph or part of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person, firm, corporation, legal entity or circumstances, shall be for any reason adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, said judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent of this body that the Ordinance is severable, and that the Ordinance would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional provision not have been included in this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. REPEAL.

All Ordinance or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION 6. SAVINGS CLAUSE.

All rights and duties which have matured, penalties which have been incurred, proceedings which have begun and prosecution for violations of law occurring before the effective date of this Ordinance are not affected or abated by this Ordinance.

SECTION 7. PUBLICATION.

The Clerk for the Charter Township of Plymouth shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the Township Board Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth at its regular meeting called and held on the 18th day of November, 2008, and was ordered to be given publication in the manner required by law.

MARILYN MASSENGILL, Clerk

Introduced: November 15, 2008
Adopted: November 18, 2008
Published: November 20, 2008
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GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION ALL-REGION 18 TEAMS CLASS A

Livonia Churchill: Lindsey Graciak, Kristen Nalecz, Katie Matz, Sarah Suppelsa, Kat Krupsky; **Salem:** Jansen Falcusan, Nicole Merget, Kelly MacDonald; **Canton:** Jordan Kietly, Kacy Moran, Kristen Muir; **Westland John Glenn:** Brittany Holbrook, Stacey Truskowski; **Garden City:** Shannon Pietruszka, Danielle Campbell; **Plymouth:** Brianna Beyer; **Livonia Stevenson:** Meg Iafraite, Brooke Knochel; **Northville:** Shelby Temple, Kelly Maisie; **Grosse Pointe North:** Madeline Kent, Jillian Kulka, Allison Liddane; **Grosse Pointe South:** Nikki Stratelak, Chloe Srebernak; **Detroit Renaissance:** Alexis Matthews.

CLASS B
Livonia Ladywood: Rachael Fuller, Claire Dezeliski.

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COACH OF THE YEAR
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Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings- November 11, 2008

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, November 11, 2008, at 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. **Roll Call** Members Present: Caccamo, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Yack, Zarbo Members Absent: Bennett, Kirchgatter Staff Present: Executive Director Santomauro, Director Eva, Director Conklin, Director Faas **Adoption of Agenda** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Zarbo to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by all members present. **Approval of Minutes** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by LaJoy to approve the Board Minutes of October 28, 2008. Motion carried by all members present. **Payment of Bills** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by LaJoy to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried by all members present. **CONSENT CALENDAR: Item 1. ESTABLISH BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING DATES FOR 2009.** (CLERK) Motion by McLaughlin, supported by LaJoy to establish the Canton Township Board of Trustees meeting schedule for the year 2009 as follows: first, second, third, fourth and fifth Tuesday of each month of the Charter Township of Canton. Meeting scheduled for Board of Trustees Regular Meetings of the Board will be held, at 7:00 p.m. at the Charter Township of Canton Administration Building, Board of Trustees meeting room, 1150 Canton Center South, First Floor, Canton, Michigan. Meetings may be cancelled to coordinate with election dates of February 24, 2009, May 5, 2009, August 4, 2009 and November 3, 2009. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 2. RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF GREATER CANTON YOUTH BASEBALL & SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION AS A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION.** (MSD) Motion by McLaughlin, supported by LaJoy that the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton does hereby recognize Greater Canton Youth Baseball and Softball Association as a nonprofit organization in the Canton Community. Motion carried by all members present. **GENERAL CALENDAR: Item 1. CONSIDER FINAL PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FOR MICHIGAN AVENUE MARKETPLACE AND SITE PLAN FOR MICHIGAN AVENUE MARKETPLACE EAST-MEIJER.** (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adopt the resolution for final planned development for Michigan Avenue Marketplace Site Plan for Meijer. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 2. CONSIDER OSBURN LOT SPLIT AND COMBINATION.** (MSD) Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Zarbo to approve the property split and combination for parcels 078-02-0123-000 and 078-02-0124-000, Osburn/Bogdanski property, as shown on the attached survey dated 09/15/08. Motion carried by all members present. **ADJOURN:** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Caccamo to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Motion carried by all members present. - Thomas J. Yack, Supervisor - Terry G. Bennett, Clerk - Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48188, during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site www.canton-mi.org after Board Approval.

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TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

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The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for the purchase of **One Grand Piano for the Salem High School Auditorium.** Specifications and bid forms are available by contacting Dan Phillips in the PCCS Purchasing Department at (734) 416-2746 or for additional information contact Visual & Performing Arts Coordinator, Tim Schoenherr at (734) 416-3005. Sealed bids are due to the E.J. McClendon Educational Center, RE: "Piano Bid", 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170 on or before 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, December 3, 2008. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

Board of Education
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools
THOMAS WYSOCKI, Secretary

Bid Opening: Wednesday, December 3, 2008 @ 1:30 p.m.
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Taking a test run

Ebonite's Demo Day provides options for bowlers

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And now, thanks to the good folks at Ebonite, we can enjoy the same opportunity with a tryout of a new bowling ball.

The latest Ebonite Demo Days will be Sunday, Nov. 23 at Aleta Sill's Bowling World pro shop located in Country Lanes on Nine Mile Road in Farmington Hills.

Ebonite's motto is "Bowl to Win" with a maximum of 10 persons per session. The squad times will be noon, 1:30 p.m., 3 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.

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A bowling related news item hit the front page last week in one of the dailies read: "Detroit teen was saved by his bowling ball."

While riding with friends, the 15-year-old was carrying his ball on his lap when the car was fired upon by a man driving a blue SUV. The bullet went through the rear passenger door and hit the ball,

which was in a bag.

The boy was uninjured and police are investigating.

This has been a most eventful week at Taylor Lanes as members of the Pro Bowlers Association have been competing for the big dollars in prize money.

The PBA is observing its 50th year anniversary and many local amateur bowlers have been able to participate by means of the Pro-Am days where amateur bowlers bowl for cash prizes joining three different professionals as their doubles partner.

Hats off to Taylor Lanes proprietor Erin Dobbins and her staff for again making this a huge success. The ESPN nationally-televised live finals are scheduled for 1 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 16.

This is in direct conflict with the Lions game, but for me, I'll watch the bowling.

The Michigan Junior Masters Association rolled into Eastland Bowl in Kalamazoo for the 20th annual Greater Kalamazoo Open, sponsored by Alro Steel.

This year's field of 92 bowlers were all vying for a title and their share of the \$3,500 in totals scholarship.

The ladies were up first with Brianna Schmanky (Westland) and Samantha Johnson (Wyoming).

Johnson bowled a clean game, but Schmanky closed with five of the last six strikes to win 224-196.

Next for Schmanky was Kayla Blanchard (Livonia) who has already won an Alro Steel MJMA title. A split in the tenth frame for Blanchard let Schmanky take it by three pins.

In the finals, Schmanky faced Felicia Goll (St. Clair Shores), a four-time title winner. The Westland bowler struggled early and Goll threw a four-bagger starting in the fifth frame and earned her fifth MJMA title 194-150.

Kayla Blanchard was the high qualifier in the event,

earning an extra \$50 in scholarship.

In the boys competition Ryan Fuller (Rochester Hills) and Logan Mills (Plymouth) each received \$50 in scholarships for finishing 11th and 12th, respectively.

The next MJMA event will be held on Nov. 15-16 at Royal Scot Lanes in Lansing. Thanks to Alro Steel and the Glick family, the MJMA has been able to award \$13,000.00 in scholarship money so far this season.

Livonian Edward Dudek was runner-up in the Metro Detroit U.S. Bowling Congress Super Senior Masters event held Nov. 2 at Sterling Lanes in Sterling Heights.

The event was co-sponsored by Turbo 2-N-1 Grips, Turbo Tech and Eastown Printing.

Dudek fell in the roll-off finals to Doug Evans of Clinton Township, 234-182.

Evans had to climb the ladder with victories over Ken Voodre (Troy), Richard Grange (Clinton Township) Ron LeChevalier (Livonia) and Jim Burton (Novi), while Dudek wound up first in the losers bracket, then beat Evans to force the final match.

Evans, who qualified 14th with a five-game total of 1,018 and averaged 213.73 per game, won first-place prize of \$1,000.

Dudek, who qualified 13th with 1,026, averaged 204.46 and won \$500.

LeChevalier, who was second in the qualifying with a total of 1,098, averaged 218.7 for 10 tournament games and finished fourth to win \$300. Howard Waxer (Farmington Hills) was the last to cash in 20th place, good for \$100, not quite near the top, but still worth the effort.

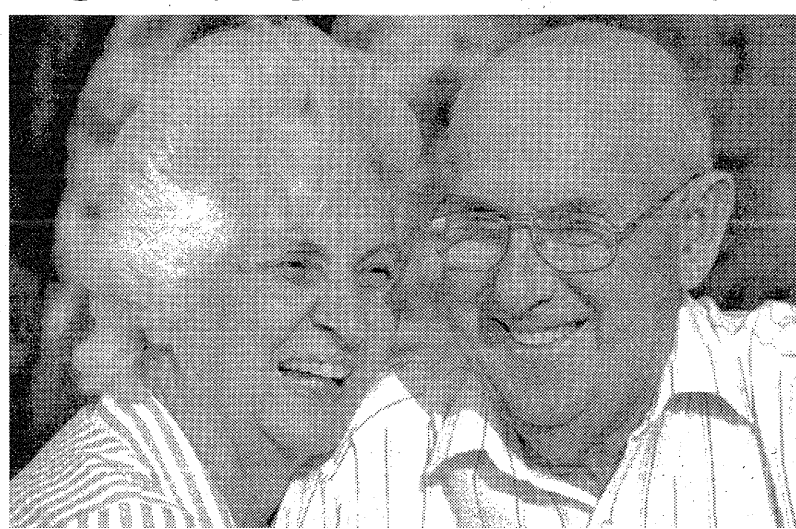
Al Harrison is a resident of Southfield, a member of the Detroit Bowling Hall of Fame and the Bowling Writers Association of America. He can be reached by e-mail: tenpinalley710@yahoo.com.



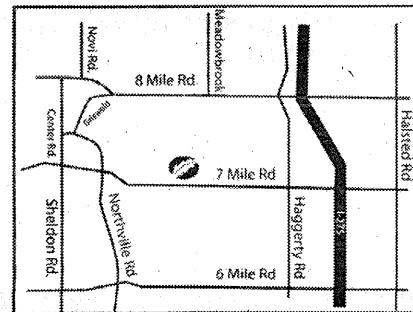
High-kicking performance

On Nov. 2, the Plymouth Saberettes varsity squad placed third overall at the Mid-American Pompon High Kick Competition. They placed second in the "Hip Hop" category. The varsity pommers, coached by Cheryl Cluster, Kristen Dutton and Shannon Domzalski, had a theme of Pee Wee Herman. Pictured are Megan Birdwell, Jill Brennan, Kimberlin Butler, Ashley Chiado, Jillian Covault, Nichole Finch, Becca Garzaniti, Danielle Gomrick, Tiffany Granowicz, Anjelica Janevski, Lauren Jeong, Madison Kinsella, Laura Krahel, Megan Laporte, Kirstie Liakos, Lindsay Potter, Lauren Rakowicz, Alyse Ruark, Holly Runyan, Allison Santori, Chelsea Schroeder, Katie Shelton, Chrissy Stone, Kendall Torp, Brittany Turner, Jennifer Turner, Lauren Uhlan, Hayley Wakefield, Christina Winkler and Kaseigh Zebari.

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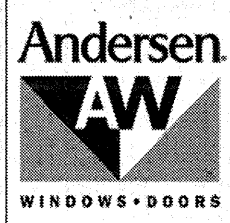


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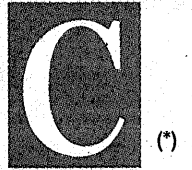
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Habitat's helpers lauded for their giving ways

BY JULIE BROWN
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Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy has been front and center on the Kwame Kilpatrick scandal, but her role was different Saturday, Nov. 1, at the VisiTech Center of Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

Worthy spoke that evening to about 250 people at the sixth annual "Building Houses, Building Hope Gala" of Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne County.

"It was so thought-provoking, it was very inspiring," said Alice Dent, executive director of HHOVWC. "She just left us feeling that we're doing a great job, but there's more to do." Worthy talked about how people must pull together and brainstorm on how to eliminate poverty housing in Michigan.

"She was very good, very interesting," said Barbara Fichtenberg of Canton, church relations chair for the affiliate. "She talked a lot about how we have to have hope. Hope has to be accompanied by action."

Worthy, mom to a daughter, Anastasia, talked about raising children in a society with instant gratification. That ties into Habitat's work in which families receiving homes pay a mortgage used for additional Habitat building, and also contribute 250 hours of "sweat equity" on their own home.

"By the time they get the keys they're invested in it," Fichtenberg said. Habitat's focus locally and worldwide is providing affordable, quality homes for residents who work on the home construction themselves.

"The evening was just so spirit-filled," said Dent, who was receiving congratulatory e-mails and phone calls the following Monday. "It was just a great evening."

"People left feeling more motivated to get involved," Dent added, noting many were happy to see how the affiliate has grown in its Christian ministry. "So many people contribute to the success of this operation," including many volunteers.

Honorees at the Nov. 1 gala were:
■ Sponsor of the Year, Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. "Words cannot express how important their contribution is, not only to my affiliate but worldwide," Dent said of Thrivent's major financial contribution. "It's just amazing."
■ Good Neighbor Award, Michael and Janice Mulholland of Inkster. The Mulhollands, who received a Habitat home, have continued with extensive



The Apostles partner family, Alice Dent, executive director of the Habitat affiliate, church representatives, and a Northwest Airlines representative at the April 27 ground breaking. The recent gala was held to celebrate such achievements in the past year.

involvement, she as volunteer coordinator of the Plymouth-based affiliate and he as a construction site supervisor. Dent values the relationship with the partner families, she said.

"She represents our affiliate," Dent said of Janice Mulholland's work. "That's really significant and she's done a great job." Janice coordinated Habitat volunteers for the Chili Cook-off in Plymouth recently, and also brought many members of her family and her friends to that event.

■ Volunteer of the Year Award, Nancy Tabor of Canton. Tabor, a credit union retiree, has volunteered with Habitat more than four years and is primarily responsible for bank deposits, tracking mortgage payments, answering phones and organizing files.

"She's my seasoned volunteer. That speaks to the level of dedication she has to this affiliate. I value her greatly," said Dent, who nominated Tabor. "She is a very good volunteer and she has a lot to give."

Dent likes that there are volunteers of all ages. "Nancy's able to come back and use those skills she used in the credit union."

■ Raymond and Theresa Carbott Service Award, Doug Blake of Dearborn. Blake, a member of Hope Lutheran Church in Dearborn, is a Ford Motor Co. retiree and three-year Habitat volunteer who volunteers three-four days a week, and on "days off" volunteers at Greenfield Village. "He is a very, very special person,"

Dent said. Blake doesn't allow his cerebral palsy to slow him down. "Rain or shine, he's there," said Dent, who was helped by three partner families with the decision on this award.

■ Positive Image Award, Susan Watson of Canton. Watson, formerly with the *Detroit Free Press*, has also volunteered with Habitat for Humanity-Detroit and with Western Wayne since 2007. She provides clerical and administrative assistance, and uses her writing expertise.

"None of my others volunteers will even touch the computer," Dent said of the terrific thank you letters Watson pens. "You can tell she is an award-winning journalist." Watson takes Dent's words and puts together good messages. "She's been quite a blessing to our affiliate." Watson is good about following through.

■ Gift in Kind Excellence Award, InfraSource Underground Construction of Ypsilanti, which offers infrastructure construction and support services. Local work has included excavation donation for four Habitat houses in Inkster and Romulus. Roy Howell of that company is the one who contacted Dent about getting involved. "He set up that entire arrangement for us," Dent said. Staffers from his company have also donated their time.

The evening included a fund-raising auction, and Fichtenberg, who chaired the silent auction committee, was pleased with donors' generosity. "It's our largest fund-raiser," she said of the

annual event. "It's an opportunity to honor people who have supported the organization."

Dent noted Habitat has begun to rehab existing homes this year in partnership with others. A family should be in a Taylor home by the end of the year. Superior Staffing Innovations helped the affiliate buy the home for the first rehabbed home, JP Properties of Plymouth providing funds for the second home.

Gala sponsors for the Nov. 1 event were: Yazaki North America Inc., diamond; Fifth Third Bank, Ford Motor Credit, platinum; Fed Ex, Comcast, Saturn Printing & Mailing, gold; Down River Association of Realtors Charitable Foundation, Plante & Moran, silver; Citizens Bank, family of Raymond and Theresa Carbott, TCF Bank, bronze; Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, Coalition on Temporary Shelter, DTE Energy, Geneva Presbyterian Church, Marketing Associates, Moraxis Enterprise LLC, corporate patrons.

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Robert Sullivan, host of The Praise Company on WMUZ FM 103.5 radio, was master of ceremonies. For information on volunteering with or donating to the Western Wayne affiliate, visit www.habitatwwc.org or call (734) 459-7744.

"We're just thankful for all our sponsors. Without them we wouldn't be able to do all we do in the community," said Dent, who's also grateful for all the volunteers and others who contribute. Sponsors are being sought for 2009, with Dent noting it's less expensive to sponsor the rehabbed homes than those built from the ground up.

"Companies can be involved in a big way now" regardless of their budgets, Dent said.

Court rules on water access

Q: Our township has passed an ordinance which allows township approval to maintain a dock but prohibits overnight boat docking. Some of us have claimed that it is a deprivation of our riparian rights and inhibits our recreational activities. What do you think?

A: Based upon a recent court case of similar facts out the Michigan Court of Appeals, a homeowner association challenged the township's ordinance that required township approval to maintain



Robert Meisner

a dock but prohibited overnight boat docking. The ordinance, the court said, did not violate the constitutional protection against the taking of property without due process and just compensation. Nor did it inhibit the right of homeowner's access to the lake that their riparian rights did not include the right to dock boats overnight.

Q: Can we sue someone who sold us a home under a fraudulent misrepresentation theory and did not disclose information about a roof leak in the disclosure statement even though there is an "As Is" provision in the purchase agreement?

A: I think the answer would be in the affirmative since the Seller Disclosure Act places no limitation on disclosure of leaks. Obviously, each case depends upon its own facts and the fact that there is an argument that the home was sold "As Is" becomes irrelevant and without merit if it is found that no representations were made in the Seller's Disclosure Statement.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$1 shipping and handling. He also wrote Condo Living: A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling a Condominium, available for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping and handling. For more information, call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@meisner-associates.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

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Chuck Breidenstein of Builder Professional Services Group will instruct attendees on strategies for incorporating green building principles into homes without driving up cost. Registration fees are \$200 for NAHBR Professional Remodeler Council members, \$225 for BIA members and \$300 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1008 or register online at www.builders.org.

HOMES SOLD

These are the Observer & Eccentric-area residential real-estate closings recorded the week of July 28 to Aug. 1, 2008, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office, plus some from Oakland County. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

City	Address	Sales Price
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	7470 Sussex Dr	\$174,000
Farmington	352 Tyler Ln	\$210,000
	1781 Wentworth Dr	\$185,000
	33336 Grand River Ave	\$190,000
Farmington Hills	36837 Chesapeake Rd	\$188,000
	27636 E Echo Vly	\$172,000
	27820 Gettysburg St	\$175,000
	27140 Independence St	\$129,000
	36359 Old Homestead Dr	\$233,000
	29726 Pine Ridge Cir	\$125,000
	34911 Rhonwood St	\$95,000
	35789 Springvale St	\$230,000
	28206 Statter Ln	\$250,000
	29997 Valley Side Dr	\$300,000
Garden City	32036 Wayburn St	\$65,000
	448 Belton St	\$110,000
	7030 Helen St	\$100,000
Livonia	29634 Rosslyn Ave	\$85,000
	38846 Allen St	\$147,000
	14228 Arden St	\$160,000
Milford	30415 Brookview Dr	\$145,000
	12060 Cavell St	\$52,000
	11772 Farmington Rd	\$127,000
Northville	15810 Harrison St	\$105,000
	15345 Ingram St	\$176,000
	14266 Nola St	\$199,000
Novi	3232 Hanover	\$320,000
	44148 Galway Dr	\$300,000
	21973 Heatheridge Ln	\$275,000
Plymouth	17327 Stonebrook Dr	\$530,000
	12240 Cherrywood Ct	\$195,000
	204 Joy St	\$230,000
Redford	13446 Karl Dr	\$296,000
	575 Kellogg St	\$189,000
	40844 Newport Dr	\$122,000
South Lyon	640 Parkview Dr	\$123,000
	9104 Pineview Dr	\$340,000
	899 Ross St	\$145,000
Westland	18711 Dalby	\$52,000
	26130 Jan	\$112,000
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Westland	18294 Lexington	\$100,000
	11721 Marion	\$87,000
	17698 Olympia	\$114,000
Westland	26121 Daria Cir E	\$307,000
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Answer to Previous Puzzle

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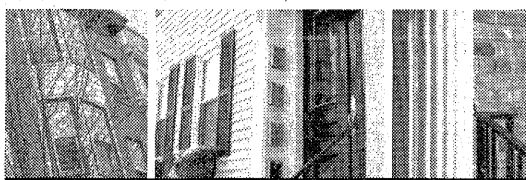
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Mercedes-Benz CLS 550 Offers One Smooth Ride

Advertising Feature

CAReport



By Dale Buss

Usually, an unexpected road trip for business is at least a minor pain. Even if you relish the work at hand and like seeing the country, transportation issues can make the whole trip a drag.

That is, unless you happen to have a Mercedes-Benz CLS 550 parked in your driveway and a client wants you to drive from Detroit to, say, Cincinnati on short notice.

Yes, that was my "challenge" recently that, largely because I was able to drive the CLS 550, turned into a privilege. After a 900-mile, two-day round trip, much of it spent behind the wheel of this car, I can honestly say that the experience - especially the time on the road - was a satisfying one.

That's because the 2009 CLS 550 is incredibly stylish, extremely responsive to drive, is very comfortable, and gets respect on the road in subtle ways that enhance the driving experience - and aren't often noticed on a short jaunt or in city trips. More on that later.

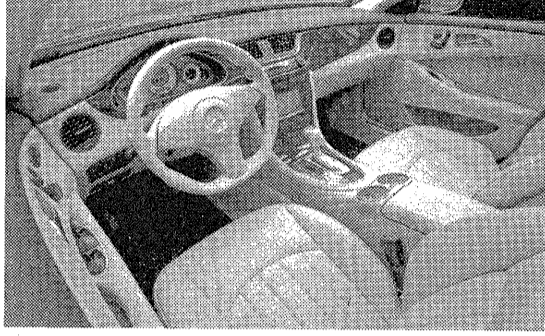
Of course, you would expect all of that from a vehicle whose base price begins at around \$69,000. For the version that I drove, the price tag was a cool \$82,400.

And you'd also expect Mercedes-Benz to get it right with the CLS considering that this basic vehicle type is the company's first really new platform in the U.S. market since the company introduced the M-Class SUV in 1997. It fits very nicely in between the automaker's E- and S-Class cars.

The idea behind the CLS was to create, in essence, a four-door coupe. The obstacles there are obvious: Two-door coupes are the ones that are supposed to be sporty, to energize sales, and to attract drivers who are passionate about their vehicles. Four-door sedans, of course, are largely a concession to practicalities, to the necessity to fit families into vehicles, and rarely evoke enthusiasm or excitement.

Truly, the CLS 550 is a perfect hybrid and represents a bulls-eye for Mercedes-Benz.

The cockpit of the CLS 550 is as stylish as the exterior.



The CLS 550 fantastically combines coupe styling with the practicality of a sedan.

Start with its styling, because that's what Mercedes-Benz did. The CLS 550 has an intoxicating look, with long, semi-exotic body lines, a strong, wide stance and a curvaceous, flowing roof. The profile really befits the coupe "half" of the car's design heritage.

And yet, going for sleekness and aerodynamic appeal does have its price, even in the CLS 550. The four-door does manage to fit two people in the rear seat, separated by a nice center console. But there's no denying it's a bit tight back there: The rear-seat dimensions are smaller in nearly every direction when compared with more mainstream sedans. And the small rear windows can make occupants feel closed in.

But from the driver's seat, all is right with the CLS 550 - especially when you actually drive it. Despite a government-imposed gas-guzzler tax, the car's awesome 5.5-liter V-8 engine - sporting 382 horsepower and 391 pound-feet of torque - achieves a highway fuel-economy rating of 21 mpg. The upgraded engine is mated with a slick, seven-speed automatic transmission with a manual-shift mode.

The ride is even better because it's atop 18-inch, five-twin-spoke alloy wheels and high-performance tires.

And what a ride it is! The car's smoothness through every speed and gear shift is the first thing that you notice. Mercedes-Benz has perfectly matched every speed and power mode with the attitude of what

remains a smallish car.

This kind of performance gave me extreme confidence as a driver, both in city situations and on I-75, that I was in good hands. Also, the CLS 550 must simply reek of ready power, because in subtle but unmistakable ways, I got respect from other motorists in this vehicle that just isn't typical.

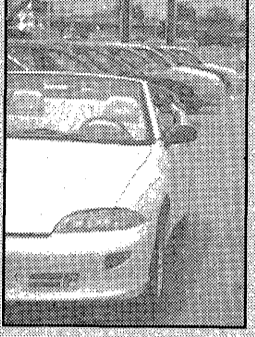
For example, several times when I was in the left-hand lane on the interstate, going slightly over the 65-mph speed limit in Ohio and not even feeling the engine, vehicles would begin to position themselves to pass me on the right, maybe trying to squeeze in between me and a slower vehicle in the right lane that would be obstructing them. Not being an obstinate driver, I made no move to block them - but most of them backed off anyway, presumably because they figured I could if I wanted to. Now, that is vehicle presence!

More important is how safe I felt in CLS 550 because of the vehicle's adaptive cruise control, which prevents you from tailgating. This is about the closest thing to true auto-pilot that I can imagine.

One thing, though: Could Mercedes-Benz come up with front-seat cupholders that are deep enough to hold the most common beverage containers, so they don't flip out upon the slightest excuse? For this price tag, I don't think that's too much to ask.

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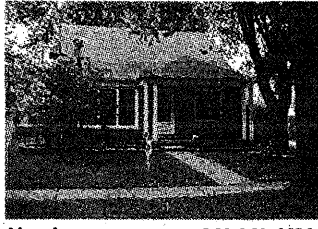
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RENOVATED WITH STYLE! 3 bedroom ranch with impressive details & many updates including: updated kitchen, main bath, light fixtures. Finished basement, vinyl windows, and deck.
(28086574) \$195,000



Northville 248-851-4100
6 LAKE PRIVILEGES. NORTHVILLES STONEWATER 4 BR, 4.1 BA, 1st flr MBR suite w/glamour spa bath, hearth rm w/2 way FP. Walls of windows, princess suite. Granite kit & baths, 3 car garage, fin. daylight bsmt.
(28175051) \$480,000



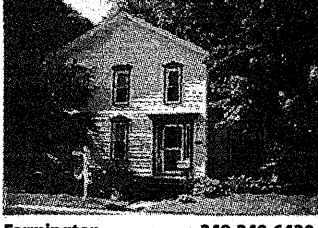
Plymouth 734-455-7000
WONDERFUL PLYMOUTH TOWNHOUSE! Totally updated; 3BR/2-1/2BA; part fin bsmt; att. garage; granite countertops.
(28178090) \$182,000



Lyon Twp 248-348-6430
LOVELY COUNTRY ESTATE on 5 acres! Large garage, hay barn with loft, horse barn for 4, house has been remodeled from top to bottom, hardwood floors, spacious kitchen.
(28119437) \$349,000



Belleville 734-455-7000
CLEAN, COMFORTABLE, CONDO LIVING is yours in this 2BR/2BA condo, located deep in the complex and featuring an oak kitchen, master suite w/walk-in closet, all appliances and a covered carport!
(28131071) \$94,900



Farmington 248-348-6430
CLASSIC VINTAGE VICTORIAN 3 BR/2 BA. What a gem! Original hwdw flrs refinished, updat electrical, windows, HWH, formal DR & LR, carriage/barn/garage w/900 sq ft, spacious fenced yard.
(28131093) \$225,000



Livonia 734-591-9200
SOLID BRK RCH, SPLEES & RDY TO MOVE IN. Refin hwdw thru/out w/farm rm addy. Corner lot yds yd space & hcharact of sde entry. New wind, prd bsmtwts, updat elec.
(28172707) \$149,999



Northville 734-455-7000
ONE ACRE COUNTRY LOT IN THE CITY! Updated home with 2nd 2 car garage. Attached 2 car garage has 14x15 heated workshop with a half bath. Well-supplied sprinkler system.
(28151507) \$279,900



Plymouth 734-455-7000
PLYMOUTH CONDO WITH A GREAT FLOOR PLAN! Island kitchen, 1-1/2 baths, basement, deck & carport. Private entrance and walking distance to downtown!
(28099981) \$90,000



Walled Lake 248-348-6430
UPDATED END UNIT TOWNHOUSE BARGAIN PRICE! Just listed Walled Lake condo w/brand new hardwood FLRS, updated kitchen & baths, FNSHD BSMT & ATT garage. Newer windows & all appliances ready to move in! WOW!
(28174084) \$99,900



Brighton 248-437-3800
GREAT HOME TO ENTERTAIN IN! Wide open floor plan, GR has soaring ceilings, fireplace & lots of windows. 1st flr mstr suite w/jetted tub. Large kit w/hardwood floors. Prof/fin bsmt.
(28181801) \$259,000



Farmington 248-348-6430
PRIME BUILDING LOT - 80 X 110 Nice corner lot located in Farmington Hills. Close to uptown and downtown Farmington. Don't delay, make an offer today.
(28180740) \$49,000



Livonia 734-591-9200
ORIG OWNERS, NEWER ROOF, UPDATED FLOORING New windows, updatd kit, newer fan/AC, fresh painted inter, updatd elec, grt curb appeal, part fin bsmt w/rec rm & bar, lg deck & well manicured yard, din area & more.
(28175064) \$129,999



Novi 248-851-4100
LUXURIOUS! OPEN FLOOR PLAN. OVER 4100 SF 3 car garage, granite counter tops, sunroom w/heated floors, finished basement w/sauna.
(28181727) \$525,000



Redford 248-684-1065
QUAINT BRICK HOME ON TREET LOT. Knotty pine kit cabs, part fin bsmt adds 910 sq ft. rec room. 3 BDRW/1.1 BA. Fenced yard. Lovely neighborhood.
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(28115163) \$129,900



Brighton 248-684-1065
GORGEOUS 2 STORY BACKING TO PARK. Large kitchen w/hardwood flooring, security system. Lg. master suite w/jetted tub. Prof. landscaping, 2-tier deck, patio.
(28127141) \$225,000



Grosse Ile 734-591-9200
LOTS OF UPDATES: NEW FURNACE, NEWER A/C Newer windows, roof, gutters w/leaf guard; some new pergo flrs; lots of refinished hwdw flrs fenced yard, lg FR w/brick wall FP & beamed ceiling. 1yr hm warranty.
(28177470) \$179,500



Livonia 248-348-6430
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Novi 248-437-3800
VERY CLEAN 4 BEDROOM, 2.5 bath colonial with many updates in the last 4 years: windows (Wallside), carpet, kitchen counters, Pergo floor, roof, large unfinished basement.
(28122010) \$299,999



Redford 248-851-4100
ATTENTION FIRST TIME BUYERS! Cute ranch home features fireplace, HWF, formal DR, LR, double closets in master bedroom & large kitchen. Updated electrical & bath. 1 year home warranty.
(28158626) \$80,000



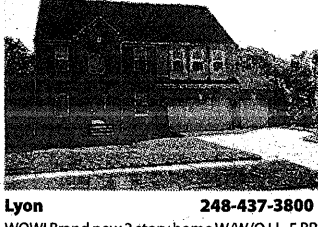
West Bloomfield 248-684-1065
ENJOY 79' OF CANAL FRONTAGE ON PREMIER LAKE. Charming Cape Cod has been extensively remodeled. Oak cabinets, carpet, wainscoting, etc. Wooded lot & lake view.
(28141408) \$235,000



Canton 734-455-7000
ANTIQUE FOREST COLONIAL! Colonial w/ finished lower level! Great location, backs to trees; exten. hrdwd. SS appl. Lower level includes: full bath, theatre area; exercise rm. Paver patio.
(28074744) \$299,000



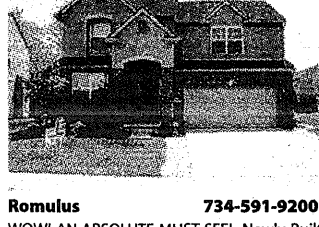
Highland 248-684-1065
CUSTOM BUILT LKFRIT HOME-1.7 acres. Maple cabs & granite t/o 2 kits & baths. 2 story GR w/ gas fp. 1st flr mstr w/ ba & 2 WIC's. Fin W/O; prof Indscping.
(28152095) \$529,900



Lyon 248-437-3800
WOW! Brand new 3 story home W/W/O LL. 5 BR located on 2nd flr w/computer rm & laundry. The real bonus is the 3rd flr family /rec rm. Kit w/granite, hrdwd flr & FP.
(28165301) \$339,900



Novi 248-684-1065
84' OF FRONTAGE ON WALLED LAKE. Build site is on south side of street.
(26166382) \$299,754



Romulus 734-591-9200
WOW! AN ABSOLUTE MUST SEE! Newly Built home backs to nat preserve; 4 BRs, loft, 2nd flr Indry, prem lot, brick pavers, lg kit w/island, bsmt plum for BA & Shower, lg MBR & WIC, home warranty, lg FR w/FP.
(28169419) \$244,900



Westland 248-348-6430
IMMACULATE WESTLAND COLONIAL! 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths. Large master BR w/walk-in-closet. Neutral decor. Deck off kitchen overlooking fenced & wooded backyard. Super sharp home warranty too!
(28170466) \$185,000



Canton 734-284-5400
REMODELED BUNGALOW 2 BD, 1 BA home on large lot which backs to Fellowship new house. Includes 3 studio apartments (rented & income producing). You need to see this one!
(28092801) \$219,900



Highland 248-684-1065
CHARMING 3 BR RANCH ON ALL-SPORTS QUICK LAKE! Gradual drop and sandy bottom of waterfront with dock. Many updates; paint, flooring, appliances.
(28146840) \$209,900



Lyon 248-437-3800
ARCHITECTURAL ELEGANCE! This graceful colonial has too many extras to mention! Extensive use of hrdwd, 3 fireplaces! Dream garden w/pond backing to horse farm. Lots of privacy.
(28183292) \$275,000



Novi 248-437-3800
TOTALLY REDONE NEO-CLASSIC INSIDE Colors very appealing for today's look. Shows like a 2008 home. Elaborate master bath with extensive use of limestone. Wide plank hardwood in most of 1st floor.
(28152434) \$279,900



South Lyon 248-437-3800
JUST REDUCED! 2136 SF, 1 1/2 story home, 3 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, 1st floor master bedroom, 1st floor laundry, partially finished basement and a 2 car garage.
(28102084) \$249,900



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



Canton 248-348-6430
WELL APPOINTED CONDO w/Numerous Upgrades from the HDWD FLRS, stone FP & lighting fixtures to the unit lock paver patio. Maple KIT w/BRKFSST nook. LG MSTR w/spa tub & closet organizer. Walking trail in sub.
(28115914) \$184,999



Inkster 734-455-7000
AFFORDABLE RANCH! 3BR ranch on treed, corner lot! Lots of updates, finished basement w/bar, and detached 2.5 car garage. Wayne/Westland schools.
(28182774) \$69,900



Lyon 248-437-3800
A LOT OF WORK & UPDATING HERE! Available home in a most sought after location. New paint, new hardwood floor in kitchen, living rm, 3 BR's, BA's updated, 1/2 acre plus lot w/ground pool.
(28183085) \$259,000



Novi 248-348-6430
SPACIOUS COLONIAL with a fabulous sun room that has a vaulted ceiling, doorwalls and skylight. Island kitchen, finished lower level with rec room & large storage room.
(28179955) \$265,000



South Lyon 248-437-3800
NEWER HOME SHOWS WELL! 2 story foyer, beautiful hrdwd in kit, breakfast, dining &oyer. Huge 29x18 vaulted mstr w/lrg closet. Bonus rm fin above gar. Prem. Lot backs to nature trail.
(28136248) \$239,900



Westland 734-591-9200
PRICE REDUCED - Affordable home just under 1500SF. Nice size BRs, 1.5 BA; kit w/Dining area & DW to brick paver patio. 2 car gar; motion lites frnt & side; 4 Clng Fans; Newer Roof & driveway; HW Htr 07.
(28077414) \$69,900



Canton Twp 248-851-4100
PRIVATE END UNIT BRICK RANCH CONDO in Canton Premium lot w/basement access from remodeled clubhouse & pool. All appl. included. Newer windows, roof, sump pump, dishwasher. Close to shopping/kwa.
(28164721) \$88,900



Iosco 248-684-1065
2 ACRE LOT ON PRIVATE ROAD with only 7 other homes on it. Property has a perk and survey. Restrictions and minimums available. Land contract option.
(28113082) \$49,900



Milford 248-684-1065
CHARMING 3 BR RANCH W/ 1.1 BA. HDWD flrs. New carpet. Neutral decor. Skylight in kit. Part fin bsmt. Patio and fenced yard. Sep. fenced kennel. Shed.
(28156242) \$143,000



Novi 248-851-4100
GORGEOUS COMPLETELY UPDATED 3 BR CONDO Enclosed brick paver patio. New windows, doorwall, HWF in foyer, kit. & DR. Tiled backplash in kitchen, new appl., new BAS. California closets. New furnace & AC.
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South Lyon 248-437-3800
TOLL BROTHERS "SHEFFIELD" MODEL Enjoy over 2600sf of quality living space w/lrg rms & open spaces! Offers 9' ceilings, gourmet kit, center island, mstr ste complete w/ shower & jetted tub.
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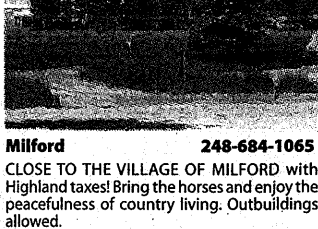
LAKE FRIT HOME ON ALL-SPORTS Cedar Island Lk. Open flr pln - many updates. New windows, siding, furnace, well. FR w/walk-out, patio, gas FP and more!
(28173003) \$329,900



Commerce 248-684-1065
IMMACULATE BUILDERS HOME ON 1.67 ACRES. Wood windows/trim, GR w/ cath ceiling & FP. Gourmet island kit, 3 bd 2.1 ba. HRWD in den. Great view from covered porch.
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Milford 248-684-1065
CLOSE TO THE VILLAGE OF MILFORD with Highland taxes! Bring the horses and enjoy the peacefulness of country living. Outbuildings allowed.
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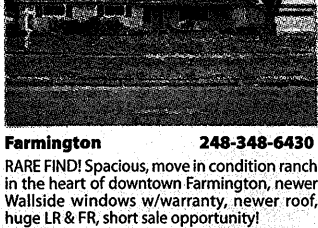
Plymouth 248-348-6430
HOME FEATURES A KIT W/CHERRY CABINETS, granite & island. fr w/frplc, dr w/butter pantry, lib w/french drs, mstr ste w/deep spa, dbl wic. Ll w/wet bar & ample storage. Cedar deck & prof landscaped.
(28085400) \$459,500



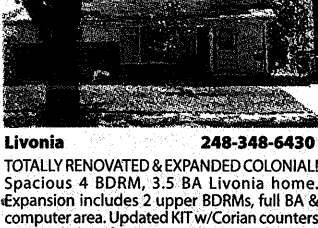
South Lyon 248-437-3800
CHARMING HOME LRG DECK, hot tub, stream in backyard, near trails, woods & park. Natural fireplace, oversized garage w/high ceiling & door. Many updates. Newer appl stay.
(28072291) \$179,900



White Lake 248-684-1065
LG KIT W/ VAULT CEIL, recessed lights & oak cabs. DR w/ D/W to deck. GR w/ vault cell & gas fp. Fin W/O LL w/full ba, bar, FR & BR/office. Priv yard.
(28136802) \$198,995



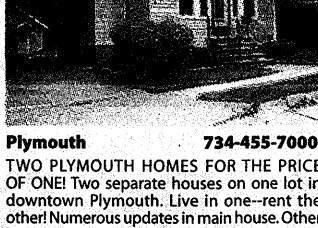
Farmington 248-348-6430
RARE FIND! Spacious, move in condition ranch in the heart of downtown Farmington. Newer hwdw & windows w/warranty, newer roof, Walled Lake, short sale opportunity!
(28183291) \$190,000



Livonia 248-348-6430
TOTALLY RENOVATED & EXPANDED COLONIAL! Spacious 4 BDRM, 3.5 BA Livonia home. Expansion includes 2 upper BDRMs, full BA & computer area. Updated KIT w/CDRM counters & oak cabinets fin'd BSMT & more.
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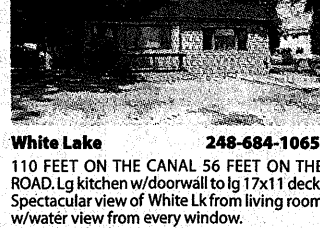
Northville 248-348-6430
UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY IN HISTORIC DISTRICT One of the prized sites in Northville. 2BD, 2BA farm house w/fin'd walkout BSMT, 2 story carriage house w/att'd carport. Plus a separate vac lot. Approx. 75 acres.
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Plymouth 734-455-7000
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(27097266) \$194,900




South Lyon 248-437-3800
WHAT A FABULOUS FIND THIS HOME IS! So many updates, newer roof, furnace, A/C, Anderson windows, doors, hot water heater, water softener. Recent addition makes spacious kitchen a chef's delight.
(28184567) \$136,000



White Lake 248-684-1065
110 FEET ON THE CANAL 56 FEET ON THE ROAD. Lg kitchen w/doorwall to lg 17x11 deck. Spectacular view of White Lk from living room w/water view from every window.
(28038434) \$189,900

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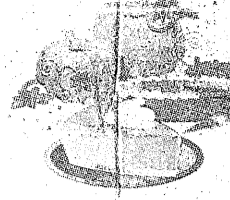
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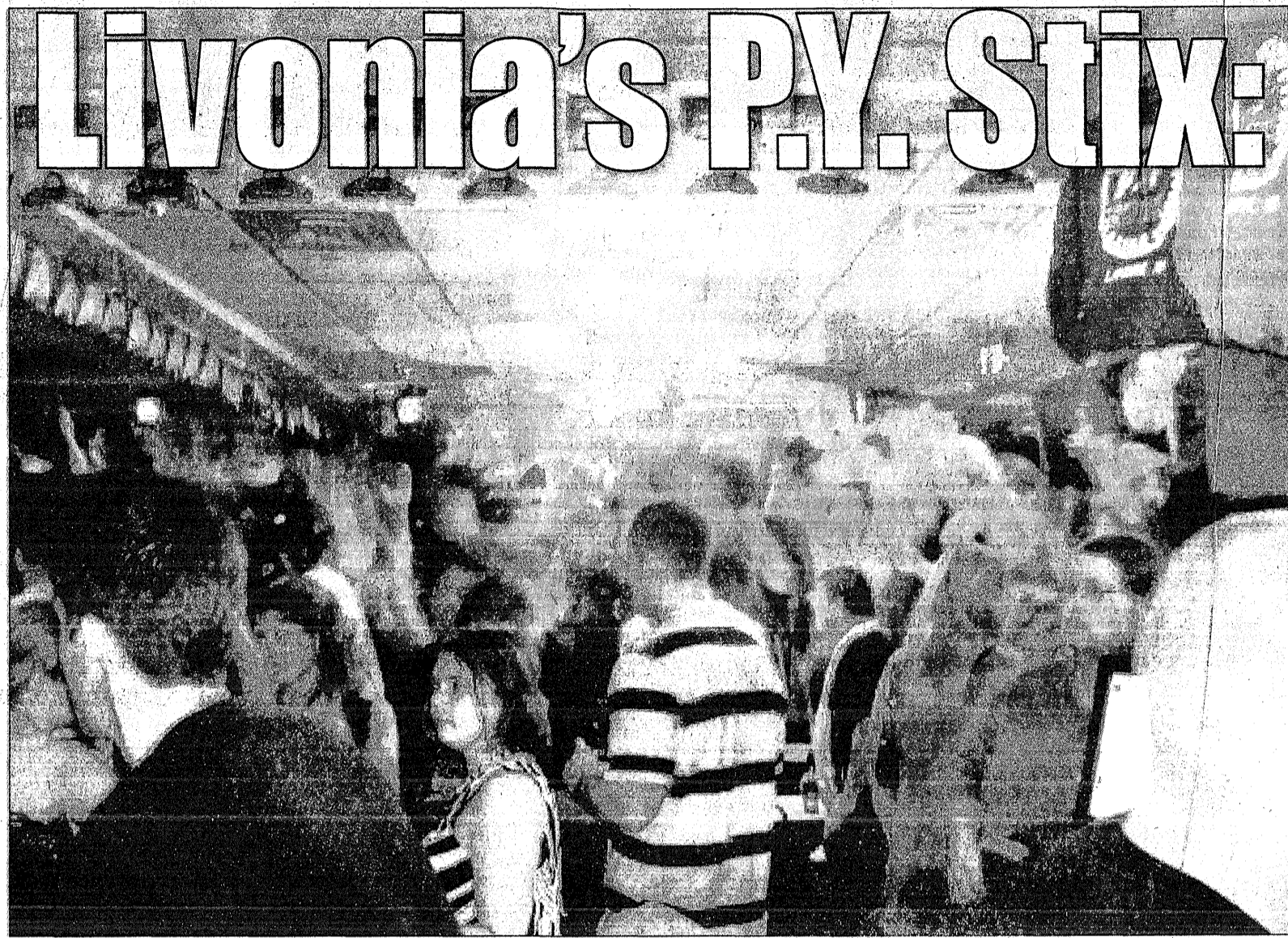
Eat, drink and be merry at these eateries and bars at Thanksgiving

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A typical packed night at the club where people engage in conversation and some dance on the bar.

Cancun without the sand

BY LANA MINI
O&E STAFF WRITER

Shots of fruity alcohol, bartenders who perform stunts while pouring drinks, people dancing on their chairs, fun verbal games of trivia, and everyone pounding on the bar or table surfaces to the beat of the music with drumsticks. That's right, everyone gets a set of drumsticks when they enter P.Y. Stix nightclub in Livonia.

And when Queen's *We Will Rock You* comes over the speakers or Buckcherry's *Crazy Bitch*, the patrons go wild and simultaneously break into one collective drum solo.

On Wednesdays, for \$5 you can get a pizza and three bottles of domestic beer.

P.Y. Stix opened last year on Farmington Road in Livonia by a family who decided they wanted to be in the service industry.

"We just want to have fun, and create an atmosphere where people can come and just be loud and go wild," general manager Stacy Allen said. "We call it 'controlled chaos' because we have organized events."

It's a popular nightclub and daytime lunch spot. Thursday's bar members can all play trivia games with top-



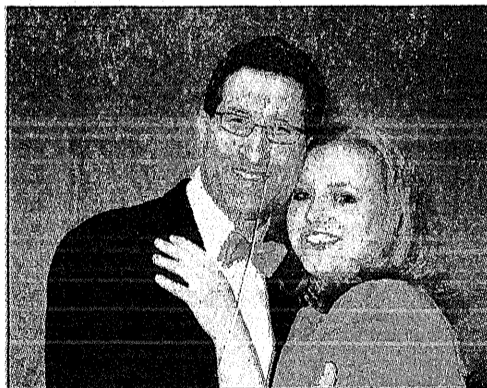
The bartenders get fancy.

P.Y. STIX

What: P.Y. Stix, a bar with casual food
Ambiance: Wild, loud
Where: 11791 Farmington Road, Livonia, (734) 421-6070
Dress code: None
What to expect: Games like trivia and beer pong, dancing on the bar, playing with drumsticks that each patron receives and being loud
Specials: \$5 for small pizza and three beers from 4-10 p.m. Wednesdays; Trivia night is Thursdays and a different game or activity that is energetic and boisterous happens every night
Sports-friendly: Yes. Screens air popular games.
Lunch hour atmosphere: Much calmer, business luncheons serving salads, sandwiches, pizza and burgers

Please see **P.Y. STIX, D8**

Players send hopeful message in 'You Can't Take it With You'



Canton residents Tim Chanko and Meg daPonte star in the Spotlight Player's rendition of the classic play "You Can't Take it With You."

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA
O&E STAFF WRITER

Livonia's Mike Cuba took an unusual approach when vying for the responsibility to direct the Spotlight Player's uplifting fall comedy, *You Can't Take it With You*. He pointed out all of the potential "problems" the show might pose — everything from the need for snakes on stage, to fireworks, to a xylophone player. But his thoughts resonated with the non-profit Canton-based community theater company and he's been working toward solving those issues since he took the director's seat earlier this year.

He and his wife, Jane Cuba — both are retired teachers — became interested in Spotlight Players more than a decade ago when the group operated under the name Plymouth Theatre Guild and staged shows in the former Northville Psychiatric Hospital. They saw a production of one of their favorite films, *Arsenic & Old Lace*, in the Northville facility and soon enough the couple was drawn into the fold, earning chorus parts in *The Wizard of Oz*.

"We've been involved ever since," Cuba said.

Both he and his wife had earned

Please see **SPOTLIGHT, D8**

YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU

What: Spotlight Players, formerly Plymouth Theatre Guild, takes on this heartwarming comedy
When: 8 p.m. Nov. 21-22, 28-29, Dec. 5-6, and 2 p.m. Nov. 23 and 30
Where: Village Theatre at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road in Canton Township.
Tickets: \$15-\$18, call (734) 394-5300. Buy discounted tickets, \$13, online only at www.spotlightplayers.net

Holiday Happenings



Events

The Big, Bright Light Show: Downtown Rochester will light the night with its dazzling display of more than 500,000 lights coating all the buildings along Main. The free event, Dec. 1 to Jan. 4, 2009 attracts more than 1 million visitors. Expect a traffic jam but it's still a sight to behold.

Wayne County LightFest: Drive through more than four miles of light displays along Hines Drive, beginning at Merriman. Cost is \$5 per car, call (734) 261-1990 for details. The display runs Nov. 20 to Jan. 1, 2009.

Winter Wonderland: A cast of more than 100 performers celebrate the holidays, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 12-13 and 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14, at the Detroit Film Theatre at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit. Tickets \$10. Call (313) 833-4005 or visit www.mosaicdetroit.org.

Holiday Nights: Greenfield Village will transform into a living Christmas card with its candle-lit paths, Model T and carriage rides, ice skating and decorated home tours for this seasonal favorite, 6:30-10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 5-6, Friday-Sunday, Dec. 12-14, Friday-Tuesday, Dec. 19-23, and Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 27-28. Tickets \$12.50-\$17, children under 4 enter free. Add dinner at the Eagle Tavern for \$64.50 to \$68.50. Parking costs \$5. The Henry Ford is at 20900 Oakwood Blvd. in Dearborn. Visit www.thehenryford.com.

Christmas Walk: The Friends of Greenmead presents its 20th annual event beginning at Hill House with hot chocolate and cookies. Tickets \$9-\$10; wear slip-on shoes. Profits go to restoration and preservation at Livonia's Historic Greenmead, 20501 Newburgh, Livonia. Call (734) 466-3540.

With Music

Holiday Brass: The Detroit Chamber Winds & Strings presents this rousing show 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, at Christ Church Cranbrook, 470 Church, Bloomfield Hills. Call (248) 644-5210 or visit www.detroitchamberwinds.org.

Messiah: The Oakland Choral Society presents this classic Sunday, Dec. 14, 620 Romeo Street, Rochester. Ticket \$15-\$50, call (248) 391-0184.

Trans-Siberian Orchestra: Talk about uplifting and re-inventing holiday songs. Catch one of these two shows on Dec. 21, at St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Call (248) 645-6666.

Christmas in Concert: See Tony O'Brien with Casali Holiday Dancers, 8 p.m. Dec. 13, at Redford Theatre, 17360 Lahser, Detroit. Tickets \$10. Visit www.redfordtheatre.com.

Holiday with heart and soul:

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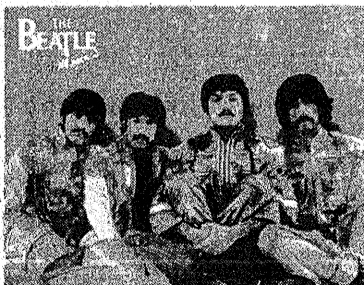
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Readers offer more favorite Thanksgiving recipes

Have a great family Thanksgiving side dish recipe? If so share it with us. Send to Lmini@hometown-life.com Subject line: Thanksgiving recipe

SWEET POTATO YUM-YUM

By Tina Foreman, Livonia

- 3 cups mashed candied yams (I use 3 cups fresh cooked yams and mash them about 2 or 3 yams)
- 2 eggs
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/2 stick butter, melted

Mix above ingredients together and place in a baking dish. Mix the next four ingredients together and sprinkle on top:

- 1 stick butter or margarine
- 1 cup flour
- 1/2 cup sugar (I use brown sugar)
- 1 cup chopped nuts (I use walnuts)

Bake at 350 degrees for 35 to 40 minutes or until heated through.

APPLE TART

by Julie Feldman, co-owner, Guys N Gals, West Bloomfield

- 1 package (16 ounces) frozen puff pastry, defrosted until soft enough to roll, but still very cold

- Caramel Sauce:
- 1 cup sugar
 - 1/2 cup water
 - 3/4 cup heavy whipping cream
 - 3 tablespoons butter

- Apple Filling:
- 6 large tart cooking apples
 - 4 tablespoons butter
 - 1/2 cup sugar
 - 1 tablespoon all-purpose flour
 - 1 egg lightly beaten with 1 teaspoon water, for glaze

Place oven rack in lowest position. Preheat oven to 425 degrees.

On lightly floured surface, roll half of the pastry (1 sheet)



into a 13-inch square. Transfer to an 11-inch tart pan with a removable bottom. Press pastry onto bottom and sides of pan, trim edges even with top rim. Refrigerate pastry-lined pan and remaining pastry while preparing the sauce and filling.

Caramel sauce: combine sugar and water in a heavy medium-sized saucepan. Cook over moderately high heat, without stirring, until mixture turns golden brown. Immediately remove from heat and slowly stir in cream. The sugar will harden, but stirring will smooth it out. Stir in butter until melted.

Pie Filling: Peel and thinly slice the apples. Heat butter in a large skillet over moderate high heat. Sauté apples, turning often, until barely tender (about 5-8 minutes). Remove from heat and sprinkle sugar and flour, stirring until coated. Pour hot apples with their juices into pastry-lined pan.

Measure 1/2 cup of caramel sauce and pour over apples, save the rest of the caramel sauce.

Roll remaining pastry and cut a 12-inch circle. Cut a one-inch circle in the center. Place over apples, press onto rim of pan and trim edges. Brush the top with egg glaze. Take remaining dough and decorate the top if desired. If you do, brush with egg as well.

Bake on a cookie sheet, 30-40 minutes until deep golden brown. Let cool 10 minutes. Freeze or serve it the next day. Just reheat for 5-10 minutes and

reheat the caramel, too.

MANDARIN-ORANGE SALAD

Mickey Arsneault, Livonia

It is a nice addition for a festive occasion and is a favorite of ours not only at Thanksgiving but throughout the year.

- Dressing:
- 1/2 cup salad oil
 - 1/2 cup cider vinegar
 - 1/4 cup granulated sugar
 - 1/2 teaspoon finely grated onion
 - 1/4 teaspoon ground dry mustard
 - 1/2 teaspoon celery seed

- Salad:
- 1/2 pound washed spinach, torn into pieces
 - 1/4 cup purple cabbage, shredded
 - 2 tablespoons slivered almonds, toasted
 - 1 small can Mandarin oranges, drained

Combine all dressing ingredients in a jar, shake well and refrigerate. Place all salad ingredients in a bowl. Shake the dressing well and pour over salad. Toss together and serve. The dressing should just coat the spinach, so there may be some left over. Remaining dressing will keep in the refrigerator up to one week.

Toasting almonds: Place on a cookie sheet and bake at 350 degrees for 4-5 minutes until lightly browned.

SWISS VEGETABLE MEDLEY

By Sue Miles of Northville

1 package (16 ounce) frozen broccoli, carrots and cauliflower combination, thawed and drained

- 1 can cream of mushroom soup
- 1 cup shredded Swiss cheese, divided
- 1 cup sour cream
- 1 can (6 ounce size) French-fried onions, divided
- Ground pepper to taste

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Set aside 1/2 of the cheese, and 1/4 of the onions.

In a medium size bowl, com-

bine vegetables, soup, sour cream, 1/2 cup cheese, 1/2 can fried onions, and pepper.

Pour ingredients into a 2-quart casserole.

Bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes. Sprinkle remaining cheese and onions on top of the casserole and bake an additional 5 minutes, or until onions are lightly browned. Serves 6-8.

CARROT CASSEROLE

Submitted by Jim Miller of Publicity Works, Ferndale. The recipe by his grandmother, Joy Powers

- 3 cups mashed cooked carrots (1 1/2 pounds)
- 1 1/2 cups cracker crumbs
- 1 1/2 cups half and half
- 4 ounces sharp cheddar cheese, shredded
- 1/2 cup melted margarine or butter
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 1/2 teaspoon sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 4 eggs

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Mix all ingredients together, except eggs. Beat eggs one minute on high. Fold into above ingredients. Pour into greased bundt pan. Bake for 45 minutes. Cool 20 minutes.

CRAN-RASPBERRY MOLD

Mickey Arsneault of Livonia

- 6 ounce pkg. raspberry Jello
- 1 1/4 cups boiling water
- 20 ounce can crushed pineapple, un-drained
- 16 ounce can whole or jellied cranberry sauce
- 1 cup (8 ounces) dairy sour cream
- Optional: 1 cup chopped walnuts

In small bowl dissolve jello in boiling water.

In large bowl mix together the un-drained pineapple, cranberry sauce and sour cream.

Slowly add Jello into this mixture and combine well.

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Eat, drink and be merry in these eateries and bars at Thanksgiving

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

The day before Thanksgiving is the biggest bar night of the year. It's bigger than New Year's Eve.

Here are some suggested venues where you can party on Thanksgiving Eve, dine out on Thanksgiving Day or get a carry out.

Remember, if you are drinking any amount of alcohol you need a designated driver. Hire one by calling Your Designated Driver, (248) 736-5201 — 24 hours a day.

Reservations are required at many locations.

THANKSGIVING EVE

Ferndale — There's a big Thanksgiving Eve Bash with rockers Dangerous Pursuit, Broadzilla and Nova Driver at friendly, hip The New Way Bar, 23130 Woodward. Admission is \$5. (248) 541-9870

Redford — Party at the Redford Bullfrog Bar & Grill, 15414 Telegraph, beginning at 7 p.m. with the Johnny Legardy Early band. It gets packed here on Thanksgiving Eve with a boisterous crowd. (313) 533-4477

Rochester — "The bash of all bashes" is at Gus O' Connor's Public House, 324 Main. Friendly, laid-back and crowded. (248) 608-2537

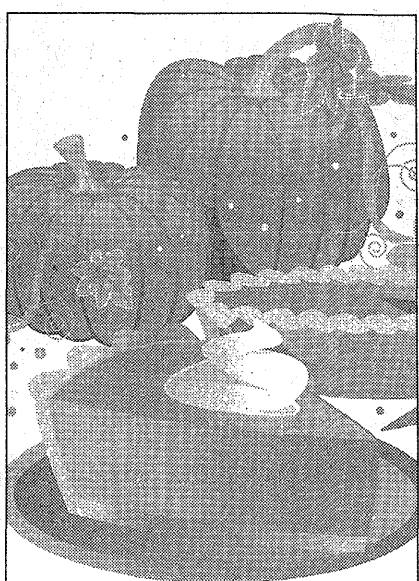
Royal Oak — Festive and fun. Pronto on Thanksgiving Eve is a tradition for many at this gay-friendly restaurant and bar located at 608 Washington. (248) 544-7900

Troy — Mario's After Dark is located inside Mario's restaurant, 1477 John R. The place is jumping "after dark." Live music with The Detroit Jam with Bee, McCarty and Edwards and should be a chic place for Thanksgiving Eve. (248) 588-6000

THANKSGIVING DAY

Berkley — So what if it's an Irish pub? It's still in America! The Blarney Stone Pub is serving turkey on Thanksgiving at 27253 Woodward Avenue. (248) 541-1881

Birmingham — The Rugby Grille inside the Townsend Hotel offers a



begins at 9 p.m. \$11 domestic beer buckets. (734) 522-8269

Novi — The Epoch Thanksgiving Buffet at Rock Financial Showplace, 46100 Grand River Ave., benefits Forgotten Harvest, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Lions game also will be televised. Cost is \$25 for adults, \$20 for seniors, \$13 for kids 5-12 and free for kids 4 and under. Cash bar. (248) 348-5600.

Plymouth — Ernesto's Italian Garden, 41661 Plymouth Road, offers a large Thanksgiving buffet. Adults \$25; children 6-10 \$10; free for kids under 5. (734) 453-7490.

Rochester — Thanksgiving dinner with Kruse & Muer from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., adults \$15.95; kids \$6.95. Locations: Kruse & Muer on Main, 327 S. Main, (248) 652-9400; Kruse & Muer in the Village, 34 N. Adams, (248) 375-2503 and Rochester Chop House, 306 S. Main, (248) 651-2266.

Royal Oak — Lily's Seafood, 410 S. Washington, offers a Thanksgiving feast from noon to 8 p.m. Adults \$23; \$13 for kids 5-12; kids under 5 dine free. (248) 591-LILY

Westland — Hawthorne Valley Country Club, 7300 N. Merriman, offers brunch and dinner on Thanksgiving. It's \$17 for adults; \$10 for kids 6-10; and free for kids 5 and under. (734) 422-3456.

HOW ABOUT A CARRY OUT?

West Bloomfield — Thanksgiving-to-go with turkey, pan gravy, savory pan dressing, dauphine potatoes, braised red cabbage, Michigan spaghetti squash, fall harvest salad, cheddar raisin rolls and pumpkin cheesecake for \$20 per person and orders must be placed by Monday, Nov. 24 at Deli Unique, 6724 Orchard Lake Road. (248) 737-3890

AND FOR VEGETARIANS

We couldn't find a restaurant serving vegetarian meals this year. However, if you need a meatless Thanksgiving dinner, find "Tofurky" meals with stuffing, gravy and all the fixings at Whole Foods Stores with locations in Ann Arbor, Troy, Rochester Hills and West Bloomfield.

Thanksgiving dinner menu at noon, 2:30 p.m., 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. Price for adults ranges from \$70-\$76, depending on entree. Children's menu is \$22. The hotel is at 100 Townsend Street, (248) 642-7900.

Also, Epoch Restaurant Group celebrates Thanksgiving at Forté, 201 S. Old Woodward. Dinner will be served at 2 p.m., 4 p.m., and 6 p.m. by reservation only. Adults, \$29.95 per person; children 12 and under \$15.95. (248) 594-7300.

Bloomfield Hills — The Moose Preserve, 43034 N. Woodward, offers a regular menu and holiday menu on Thanksgiving. (248) 858-7688.

Canton — Looking for something to do Thanksgiving morning away from the huge parade in Detroit? Try the Turkey Trot for a Cause. It's a 5K walk/run through scenic Heritage Park and Pheasant Run Golf Club to benefit the Epilepsy Foundation. It's presented by the Canton Sports Center, (734) 483-5600. Registration is 8:30 a.m. at the Pheasant Run Golf Club, 6500 Summit Parkway. (734) 397-6460.

Garden City — Albert's on the Alley, 5651 Middlebelt, serves dinner in an upbeat atmosphere. They also have horseshoe and virtual golf. (734) 525-5231.

Livonia — After eating dinner with the family on Thanksgiving, go out for some relaxation at The Penalty Box Bar, 28121 Plymouth Road. Karaoke

Enjoy perfect turkey toasters

Thanksgiving is an American holiday. As such then, we're recommending a host of wines made in the U.S. that will satisfy the array of foods at a classic Thanksgiving meal.

GETTING STARTED

Even if wine is not a traditional family meal starter beverage, it is quite often at Thanksgiving.



Focus on Wine

Ray & Eleanor Heald

Chateau Fontaine makes a lovely off-dry style and so does Shady Lane Cellars.

For those who are not fans of red wine, the Rieslings recommended above will make a versatile match with turkey and all the trimmings.

PINOT NOIR

High-toned red fruit aromas with hints of brown spices and loads of red and black cherry, strawberry and raspberry flavors make pinot noir a delightful and perfect pairing with turkey and its traditional accompaniments. Pinot noir pairs well with just about everything you'll put on the table.

Its only drawback is price. Pinot noir is expensive. Pinots at \$20 and under are a waste of money. They're thin, lacking fruit and the acidity is out of balance on the high side. So drink the good stuff, less perhaps, but you can't miss with the following in a broad range of prices.

■ Babcock: 2007 Santa Rita Hills Grand Cuvee, \$45.
■ Cambria: 2006 Bench Break Vineyard, \$30.

■ Dutton Goldfield: 2006 Dutton Ranch, Freestone Hill Vineyard, \$58 and 2006 Dutton Ranch, Sanchietti Vineyard, \$58.

■ Etude: 2006 Carneros, \$42.
■ La Crema: 2006 Anderson Valley, \$34; 2006 Los Carneros, \$34; and 2006 Russian River Valley, \$34.

■ MacMurray Ranch: 2006 Russian River Valley, \$37.
■ MacRostie: 2006 Carneros, \$30.

■ Marimar Estate: 2006 Don Miguel Vineyard "La Masia," \$45.

■ Morgan: 2006 Tondre Grapfield, \$45; 2006 Double L Vineyard, \$62; 2006 Garys' Vineyard, \$62 and 2006 Rosella's Vineyard, \$62.

■ Sanford: 2006 Santa Rita Hills, \$34.

■ TAZ: 2006 Santa Barbara County, \$25 and 2006 Santa Maria Valley, \$28.

■ Williams Selyem: 2006 Vista Verde Vineyard, \$54; 2006 Flax Vineyard, \$72; 2006 Rochioli Riverblock Vineyard, \$75; and 2006 Allen Vineyard, \$78.

Not every retailer will have all of these selections, but if you can find at least one, in a comfortable price range, jump on it.

ZINFANDEL

It's bigger, richer and rounder than pinot noir, yet the red and black fruit profile along with brown spiciness, make zinfandel a good bet at a Thanksgiving table.

As you look through the pinot noir list, notice that most of our recommendations are single-vineyard wines. We're following a similar theme with zinfandel, new from Ravenswood, called the 2006 Single Vineyard Designate Zinfandels. They include at \$35 each: Barricia Sonoma Valley, Belloni Russian River Valley, Big River Alexander Valley, Dickerson Napa Valley and Teldeschi Dry Creek Valley.

Ravenswood's 2006 Old Hill Sonoma Zinfandel, is also in the collection at \$60. Zinfandel vines for this wine may be the oldest in Sonoma County and are mixed with 14 other varieties but these are blended by noted winemaker Joel Peterson to be 75 percent zinfandel.

Wallet friendly zinfandels include 2006 Simi Sonoma County, \$20 and 2006 Sebastiani Dry Creek Valley, \$24.

Eleanor & Ray Heald are Contributing Editors for the internationally-respected Quarterly Review of Wines and Troy residents who write about wine for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Contact them by e-mail at focusonwine@aol.com.

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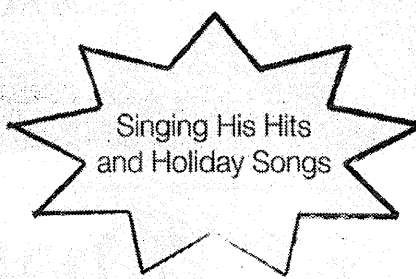
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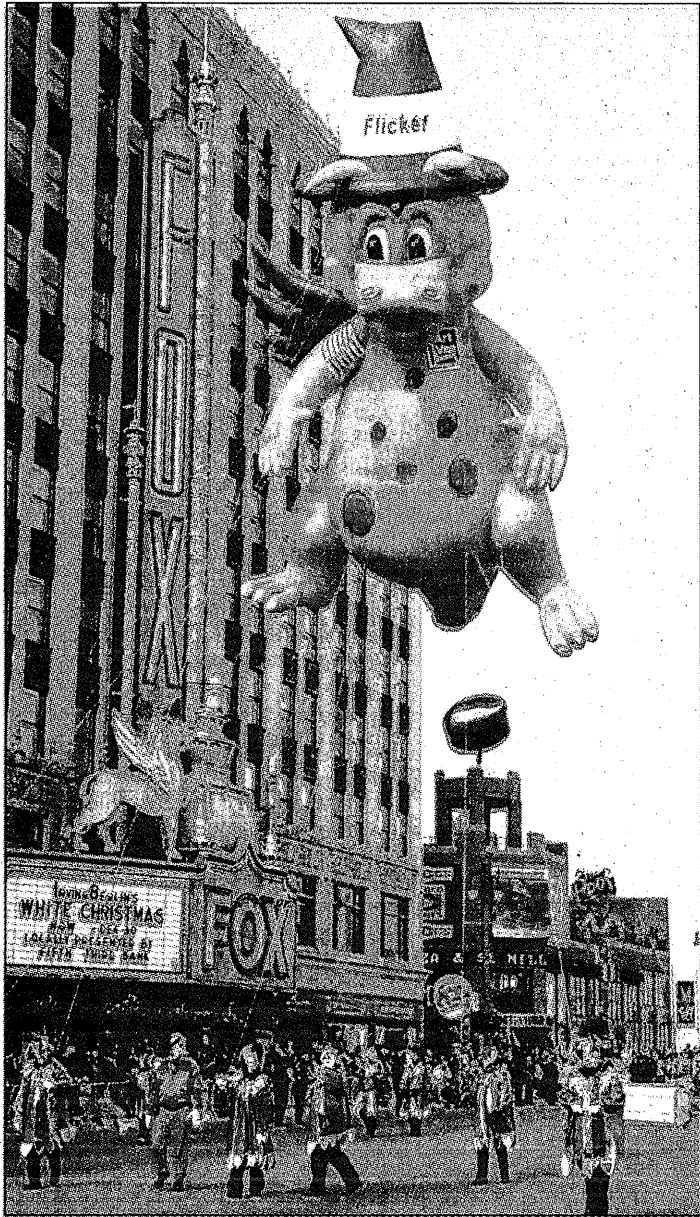
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Everyone loves a parade

Holiday parades as big as ever, thanks to support from community, sponsors

BY SUSAN STEINMUELLER
O&E STAFF WRITER

Santa will wave to kids from area holiday parades that are as big and festive as ever.

Despite tough economic times and downsizing, sponsors and community involvement are ensuring that parades continue to shine, say organizers. Audiences are expected to be just as big too — perhaps because times are hard.

"You know how people go back to comfort food — this is a comfort event," said Chris Morrisroe of Art Van Furniture, longtime lead sponsor of the 82nd America's Thanksgiving Parade in downtown Detroit. "You know you are going to have a good time."

The two-hour Thanksgiving Day parade is one of the country's oldest. It includes a local and national broadcast.

It's presented by the Parade Co., a division of the The Michigan Thanksgiving Parade Foundation, a non-profit organization made up of hundreds of local businesses and civic leaders.



JOHN STORMZANO | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER/FILE PHOTO

Santa, pictured at Rochester's annual Christmas parade, is still the star of any parade at this time of year as he waves and wishes a Merry Christmas to those along the route.

The Rochester Christmas Parade, meanwhile, has a new major sponsor — Chrysler Corp.

"Chrysler's presenting sponsorship of this community-wide endeavor cannot be underestimated," said Sheri Heiney, executive director of the Rochester Regional

Chamber, which organizes the parade. "We are very grateful that they chose to support the greater Rochester area, and the tens of thousands of parade attendees, volunteers and participants."

"This is a 57-year-old tradition in the community. It's heavily supported by the com-

munity, that's what makes it special." The Sunday, Dec. 7, parade is the area's biggest Christmas parade and will be televised.

Here's more on each parade, as well as others in the area:

What: 82nd America's Thanksgiving Parade
When: 9:20 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 27

Where: The downtown Detroit parade begins at Mack and Woodward, winds its way down Woodward Avenue and ends at Congress.

Grandstand seats: \$24 to \$48.

Broadcast: Live broadcast on WDIV-TV Channel 4 begins at 10 a.m. NewsTalk 760 WJR will also broadcast live.

About: The theme is Legends and Lollipops. Several Olympians will serve as Grand Marshals and will ride on the Let Freedom Ring float. They include Peter Vanderkaay, who grew up in Rochester Hills, Cheryl Angelelli, Garrett Weber Gale

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PARADES

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and Lindsay Tarpley. Among the celebrities appearing will be Detroit native Vickie Winans, award-winning gospel singer, who will sing during preshow coverage and then join the parade route. The Putting America on Wheels float is among those making a debut. The UAW-GM float showcases the auto industry's progression from the start of assembling vehicles to modern-day robotic technology.

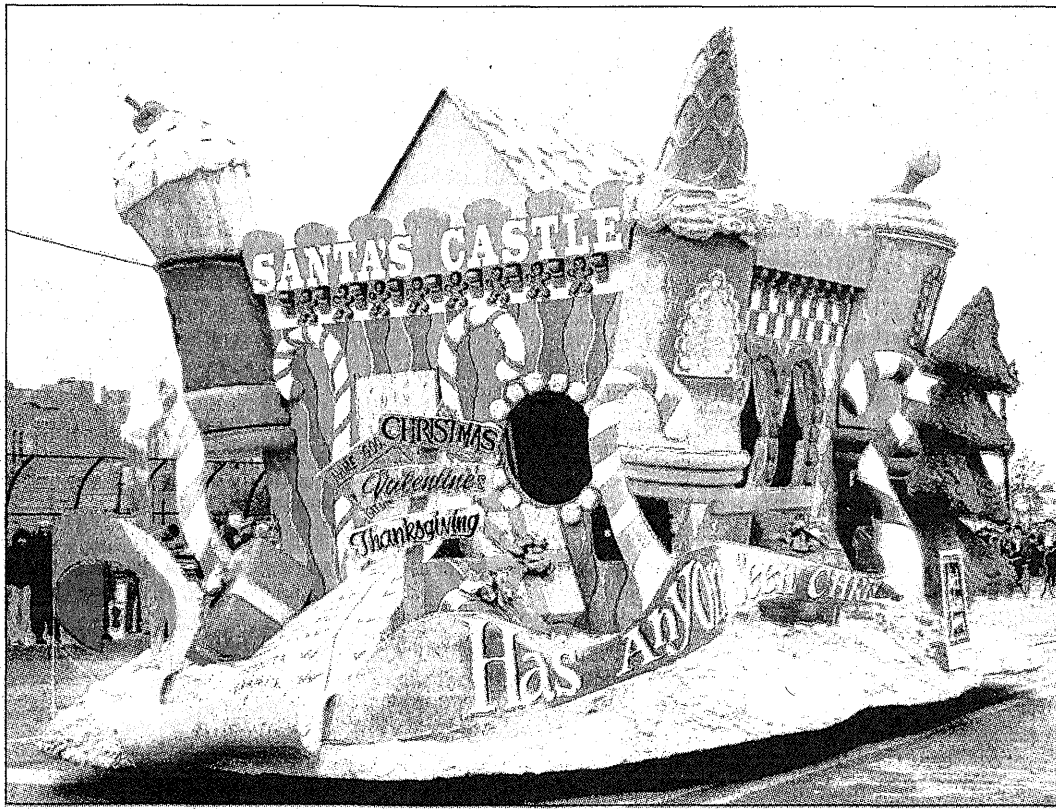
Other events: The 26th Annual Turkey Trot, Michigan's largest 10 kilometer run, sponsored by Fifth Third Bank; Holidays on Parade, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Nov. 29-30 at The Parade Co., which allows kids and adults to see the parade's papier-mache heads and floats as well as enjoy entertainment and treats. Admission is \$5 per person, ages 2 and under free; Tickets for activities and food \$1 each.

For more information: visit www.theparade.org

What: 57th Rochester Christmas Parade

When: 1:45-4:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7

Where: The parade starts down Main Street from the corner of Tienken and Rochester roads, led by the Rochester police, Oakland County Sheriff's Department, Grand Marshal and dignitaries.



The America's Thanksgiving Parade Art Van Furniture float, Has Anyone Seen Christmas?, is based on a locally written children's book about an elf who falls off Santa's sleigh and then looks through other holidays to find Christmas.

Broadcast: Live broadcast on WXYZ Channel 7

About: The theme is Christmas Around the World. Grand Marshal is former City of Rochester Mayor Tom Werth. New this year is Chrysler's "Everyday Heroes" float, which debuted during Detroit's 2005 Thanksgiving Day Parade. The patriotic float features a policeman, fireman and an emergency worker. Military veterans will travel on the float as well as march alongside it. A free shuttle service, 12:15-4:30 p.m., will have pickup at

Chase Bank, 1290 Walton Blvd., drop off at Chase Bank, Pine and Fourth Streets.

Other events: From 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., there'll be a Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast at the Older Persons' Commission at 650 Leticia Drive. Adults \$5, children 12 and under \$2. A

4:30-5:30 p.m. Community Afterglow with Santa Claus is at Bordine Nursery, 1835 S. Rochester Road at Hamlin, sponsored by Bordine Nursery and Busch's Supermarket of Rochester Hills. Bring a camera for pictures with Santa. Downtown Rochester will be aglow in

the evening with its annual light show.

For more information: visit www.rre-mi.com.

Other area parades are:

What: Hometown Holidays, Holiday Lighted Parade

When: 6:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21

Where: Northville

About: Northville welcomes Santa to town with a parade full of lights, sparkle and music. Enjoy free cider, coffee, hot chocolate and treats along with festive activities. Santa makes a stop for kids to get in their Christmas wishes after the parade.

Presented by: The Northville Central Business Association, Toll Brothers and the Northville Christian Assembly.

What: seventh annual Holiday Magic Parade

When: 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 22

Where: downtown Royal Oak

About: The seventh annual Holiday Magic Parade on

Washington from Lincoln to Fourth Streets has more than 55 floats and live entertainment. There'll be free parking downtown until 2 p.m.

Presented by: The Downtown Development Authority.

Other: From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. meet with Santa at Stagecrafters at the Baldwin Theater, 415 S Lafayette

What: 47th annual Santaland Parade

When: 9:15 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 29

Where: Garden City

About: The theme is "All Stars/All Sports Christmas." It will start at Moeller Field and proceed east on Ford Road to Middlebelt, then north to the high school parking lot. Santa will receive the Key to the City from the mayor at city hall. Garden City residents can watch the parade on cable as well: GCTV Channel 12 Comcast/Channel 18 WOW. The Santaland Parade is self-supporting through sponsorships and donations with the largest contribution from the Downtown Development Authority.

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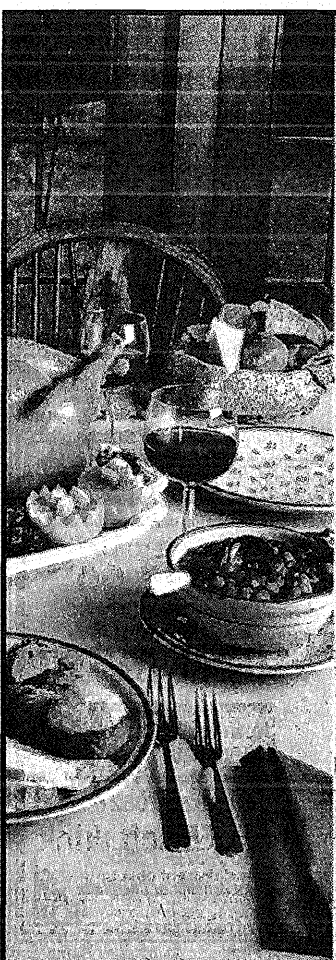
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RELIGION CALENDAR

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

NOVENA

Evenings of Evangelization
With Rev. Alex Kratz, 7 p.m., Friday, Nov. 21, and Dec. 12, at St. Michael the Archangel Church, 11441 Hubbard, south of Plymouth Road, Livonia. The evening begins with a Holy Hour followed by small-group discussions, teaching and fellowship. All-interested Catholics welcome. Call (734) 261-1455, Ext. 200.

Clothing bank
Free clothing (men, women and children) for those in need 10 a.m.-noon on the fourth Saturday of each month (Nov. 22, Dec. 27), at Canton Christian Fellowship Clothing Bank, 8775 Ronda Drive, south of Joy between Haggerty and Lilley. For information, call (734) 404-2480, visit www.CantonCF.org or send e-mail to info@cantoncf.org.

The Brother's Grimm
Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran School will perform "The Brother's Grimm: Out of Order" 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, in the gym at Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church and School, 9600 Laverne, Redford. Come enjoy a fun-filled comedy performed by students in grades 5-8.

St. Andrew Day service
10 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, at Garden City Presbyterian Church on Middlebelt, one block south of Ford Rd. Kris Hunt, of the St. Andrew Society, returns as Piper in full uniform. Refreshments will be served in fellowship hall after service. Adult Bible study is at 8:30 a.m. with youth Sunday school and child care at 10 a.m. Handicap accessible with large print order of service and an elevator. Everyone is welcome. For information, call (734) 421-7620.

Thanksgiving Eve service
Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church will hold a Thanksgiving Eve Service 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, at 9600 Laverne, Redford. All are welcome to join in worship and thanksgiving.

Thanksgiving Day dinner
Don't be alone for the holiday. Come to Our Lady of Loretto Family Center 2-5 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 27, at Six Mile and Beech Daly. For reservations, call (313) 534-9000 on or before Monday, Nov. 24.

Bethany together dance
8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Nov. 29, at Don Hubert V.F.W. Hall, 27345 Schoolcraft (this is the I-96 service drive, east of Inkster Rd., Redford). Limited to the first 450 paid admissions only. Please wear proper attire. Cost \$12. For more information, call Loretta at (586) 264-0284.

Special needs class
Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Livonia is looking for special needs teens and young adults (up to age 25) interested in participating in a course designed

to help them learn about the basics of the Christian faith. The day and time of the course will depend on those interested. To get the most out of the course, students should possess basic communications skills (listening and speaking). Call Judy Cook at (248) 442-8822 or e-mail at elc-ed@around-detroit.biz.

Volunteers needed
The Salvation Army invites the community to partner with it this holiday season. Opportunities range from adopting a family or child to bell ringing, Christmas in-take assistance, and many others. Sign up by calling volunteer coordinator Sandy Kollinger at (734) 722-3660 or online at www.ringbell.org and choosing Wayne/Westland. The Salvation Army is at 2300 S. Venoy, between Michigan Avenue and Palmer.

Grief workshop
Presented by Karen Jinnett from New Hope Center for Grief Support, began 7-8:45 p.m., Monday, Oct. 27, for eight consecutive weeks at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, 47650 N. Territorial, Plymouth. No charge. To register, call (734) 453-0326, Ext. 221.

Global gifts
10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Wednesday-Saturday, through Dec. 17, at First Baptist Church of Birmingham, 300 Willits, at Bates, north of Maple and a block west of Old Woodward. The Fair Trade resource offers foods such as rice, chocolates, coffee, and soup mixes that promote economic justice around the globe. Also offering textiles, jewelry and handmade artisan crafts from around the world. (248) 644-0550.

Prayer hour
Cherry Hill United Methodist Church holds an hour of prayer and inspiration at 7:30 p.m., every Thursday with Rev. Merlin Pratt, at the church, 321 S. Ridge Road, Canton. Call Pat Beggs at (734) 453-3287 for more information.

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

UPCOMING

The Nativity movie
7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 2, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church on Five Mile, one block west of Inkster Rd., Livonia. Desserts will be served. All are welcome to attend this free event. For more information or to sign-up call (734) 422-1470.

Kids Christmas craft days
Deadline is Dec. 4 to register for Kids Christmas Craft Day 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Dec. 6, for ages 5

years through 5th grade, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church on Five Mile, one block west of Inkster Rd., Livonia. Kids will enjoy creating Christmas crafts to be used as gifts or decorations. All are welcome to attend. Suggested donation of \$3 per child. For more information or to sign-up, call (734) 422-1470.

Advent presentation
Are we ready for the Coming of Christ, that is, His Second Coming? Through Scripture, food and drink, reflect on and delight in preparing for Christ's arrival 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4, in Bixman Hall at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Rd., Livonia. No charge, but RSVP by calling (734) 425-5950. Presenter is David Conrad, M.A. Theology.

Silent Night
An Advent Service for those who are grieving or unemployed 7-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5, at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 47650 N. Territorial at Beck; Plymouth. Call (734) 453-0326. While Advent is a time to acknowledge the beauty of the Christmas season, it can also be a time of sadness. For those who are grieving the loss of a loved one, struggling with an illness, caring for a terminally ill family member or facing unemployment, divorce or financial hardship, the joyfulness of the season may be overwhelming. Through stories of endurance from members of our community, inspirational music, and scripture readings we will seek together the peace, hope and love that are the true gifts of Christmas.

Music at St. John's
A Festival of Lessons and Carols, 7 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 7, with the parish's music groups; Collegium Musicum performs cantatas and instrumental works, 6 p.m. Sunday, March 29, 2009, and The Saline Fiddlers, 6 p.m., Sunday, May 17, 2009, at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth. All concerts are free except The Saline Fiddlers (\$7 and available in advance or at door). Call (734) 453-0190.

Detroit Lutheran Singers
Celebrate CHRISTmas concerts 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12, at St. Michael Lutheran Church, 7000 Sheldon Rd., Canton, and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13, at Antioch Lutheran Church, 33360 W. 13 Mile, Farmington Hills. Tickets \$10 (\$7 for seniors and students age 12 and older) and will be available at the door. For advance tickets, call (248) 988-6715. For more information, visit www.detroitlutheransingers.com.

Christmas Cookie Walk
Too busy to bake? Buy cookies by the pound from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 13 at St. Michael's Orthodox Church, 26355 West Chicago Rd., between Beech-Daly and Inkster Road, in Redford. (313) 937-2120

Bethany monthly dance
8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Dec. 13, at Don Hubert V.F.W. Hall, 27345 Schoolcraft (this is the I-96 service

drive, east of Inkster Rd., Redford. Dance lesson this month, dancers choice, cost \$10, refreshments included. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. DJ is Dick Gerathy. Call (734) 261-5716 for details.

Adult choir concert
The St. Aidan Adult Choir, directed by Ray Schmidt, presents its 27th Annual Christmas Concert 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14, at St. Aidan Parish, 17500 Farmington Rd. (north of Six Mile), Livonia. The cost is \$5 and two non-perishable food items. This event is held annually to assist the St. Aidan Christian Service Commission to aid those in need during the holiday season. Call (734) 425-5950. Tickets will be available at the door on the day of event.

All-you-can-eat pancakes
The Ushers' Club of St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Livonia continues its more than 30-year tradition of all-you-can-eat pancake breakfasts 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on the third Sunday of each month in the school cafeteria at 11441 Hubbard, south of Plymouth Road, with an expanded menu that features pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, hash browns, and assorted breakfast beverages. Meals are served buffet-style at family friendly prices: \$5, adults, \$3 children ages 4-11, free for children under age 3, \$15 a family (2 adults and all children). Everyone is welcome.

ONGOING

Parkinson Support
Western Oakland Parkinson Support Group meets 7-9 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month except January, July and August, at Farmington Hills Baptist Church, 28301 Middlebelt, between 12 Mile and 13 Mile. Enter at rear of church. For more information, call (248) 433-1011.

Overeaters Anonymous
Meet 7 p.m. Thursdays in the Courtyard Room at Unity of Livonia Church, 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelts and Inkster roads, Livonia. And 7 p.m. Sundays at the Marion Professional Building at St. Mary's Hospital, 14555 Levan at Five Mile, Livonia, in Classroom 1. Call Wendy first at (313) 387-9797. Anyone who wants to stop eating compulsively is welcome. For more Greater Detroit Overeaters Anonymous information visit www.ooa.org or call (248) 559-7722.

Mid-week Service
Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church offers a Wednesday evening service at 7 p.m. in the church at 9600 Laverne, Redford. Communion is offered on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month. Sunday services are at 9:30 a.m.

ENDOW
St. Michael the Archangel Parish is hosting two different courses of the Archdiocese of Detroit's ENDOW program, a continuing women's study group focused on the dignity of women of all ages and faiths. Based on Pope John Paul II's "Letter to Women", the Course I groups meet 9:30-11 a.m. Mondays, and 7-8:30 p.m. Thursdays. Course V, called "Aquinas for Beginners", is a new addition to the ENDOW curriculum and available locally only at St. Michael's 9:30-11:15 a.m. Tuesdays. All meet in the convent basement meeting room. Women of all ages and faiths welcome. \$60 charge for materials, but no woman will be turned away because of inability to pay. Register by calling (734) 261-1455, Ext. 207, or online at www.endowonline.com. St. Michael's is at 11441 Hubbard, south of Plymouth Road, Livonia.

Choral rehearsals
Oakland Choral Society has begun Tuesday evening rehearsals for its Christmas concerts with professional soloists and orchestra. On Dec. 6 the group performs Benjamin Britten's "St. Nicolas," and J.S. Bach's "Cantata Wachet auf," and on Dec. 14 Handel's "Messiah." Registration begins at 7:00 p.m., with rehearsal 7:30-9 p.m., at Birmingham Unitarian Church, 38651 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. All singers who can read music are welcome. Membership dues \$55 for fall season (\$30 for students age 30 and under). Music cost additional. For information, call (248) 391-0184.

New worship schedule
Worship 8 a.m. Sunday, Faith Forum & Other Options at 9 a.m., and Worship and Sunday school at 10 a.m. Wednesday Worship at 7:30 p.m. in the chapel at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. Visitors welcome. For information, call (734) 427-1414 or visit www.holycrosslivonia.org.

Bible study
St. Michael the Archangel Church, located at the southwest corner of Plymouth and Hubbard Roads, continues its regular evening Bible Study program with an in-depth study of The Gospel of Luke 7 p.m. on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month in the rectory. The informal classes are open to all interested persons regardless of religious affiliation. To register, call (734) 261-1445, Ext. 200.

Time change
Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile, west of Middlebelt, Livonia, returned to its fall-spring worship

schedule. Services are at 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m., with Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. for all ages. For information, visit www.livonfaith.org.

Wednesday activities
Have resumed at 7 p.m. at Grace Christian Fellowship, on the west side of Middlebelt, one block south of Six Mile. The special four week study focuses on the Hebrew Roots of Our Christian Faith, taught by Yvonne Moore. For information, visit www.gcfeellowship.org or call (734) 525-6019.

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

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

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

Sunday worship
The early service for the Anglican Church of Livonia is at 7:45 a.m. at Trinity Church, 34500 Six Mile, west of Farmington Road and next to Stevenson High School, Livonia. The 10 a.m. service will continue to be at the Livonia YMCA at 14255 Stark Road, between Lyndon and the I-96 service drive. The Web site is www.hischurch.us.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

New schedule
9 a.m. Sunday school for all ages and Faith Forum, 10 a.m. Worship Service

with Communion and nursery, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. All visitors welcome.

For more information, call (734) 427-1414 or visit www.holycrosslivonia.org.

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

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

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

Worship
Sundays: 10 a.m. Worship Service with nursery, 9 a.m. Sunday School for tots through high school and Adult Faith Forum at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 427-1414 or visit www.holycrosslivonia.org. Visitors welcome.

Worship service
10:45 a.m. Sundays, Adult Sunday School at 9:30 a.m., Children's Sunday School during worship, Youth Group 5-7 p.m. and Catechism for Grown-ups 5:30-6:30 p.m., at Trinity Church of Livonia, 34500 Six Mile. For information, call (734) 425-2800.

F.I.R.E. ministries
With theme scripture, He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire (Luke 3:16), is organizing in Livonia at Living Water Church, 11663 Arcola in the Inkster and Plymouth roads area at 7 p.m. Fridays under the leadership of Luke Willis. F.I.R.E. Ministries. For more information, call (734) 425-6360.

New worship schedule
Regular church service 10 a.m. Sundays with Communion and Nursery, 9 a.m. Sunday School for all ages and Faith Forum, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 427-1414. All visitors welcome. Visit www.holycrosslivonia.org.

Sunday worship
11 a.m. Sunday worship service, 9:30 a.m. Sunday school, 7 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study, at Good Shepherd Reformed Church, 6500 N. Wayne Road at Hunter, Westland. For information, call (734) 721-0800.

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Men's breakfast
Ham & eggs, hash browns, pancakes, and more when you come to the Men's Breakfast at 8 a.m. on the first Saturday of every month at The Senate Restaurant, located off Haggerty Road between Five Mile and Six Mile in Northville. All men are invited for fellowship and food. Sponsored by Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990.

MOPS meetings
The Hosanna-Tabor Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) group began meeting this fall at a new time at the Lutheran church, 9600 Laverne, Redford. Meetings continue the first and third Thursdays of the month at 9:30 a.m. Join in for teaching, discussion, creative projects and presentations. For more information, call (248) 470-5202 or send e-mail to nikki.tiernan@gmail.com.

MOPS groups
Mothers of Preschoolers meets on the first and third Friday mornings or first and third Wednesday evenings at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy Road, Canton. Call (734) 455-0022, Ext. 4, or send e-mail to cbcwomensministries@hotmail.com.

LOGOS Youth Club
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DANIEL C. DeGRAFF
Age 81, of Bloomfield Hills. At home on November 14, 2008 from complications of Parkinson's disease. Survived by his wife of 56 years, Phoebe Campbell DeGraff; daughters Drieka DeGraff and Gretchen (Frank) Newman; and grandchildren Anna and Grace Newman. Dan's favorite pastime was sailing off the shores of Lake Huron where he built a cottage for his family. Service at Great Lakes National Cemetery will be private. Memorial contributions may be made to Bloomfield Township Adult Day Service, 2222 Franklin Rd. Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302.

DONNA MARIE CARI
Age 77, of Frankfort (formerly of Livonia and Farmington Hills), passed away on November 14, 2008 following a brief battle with cancer. Donna was born on May 1, 1931 in Detroit, MI to Warren and Lillian Landry. She graduated from St. Ambrose High School in 1949, and married theatre group sweetheart Patrick Cari in April, 1955. She was active in local church activities and a long-time employee of the Livonia Observer. Donna is survived by her brother Joseph Landry of Naperville, IL; four children William Cari, Catherine Bishop (Cari), Paul Cari, and Elizabeth Heuer (Cari); and four grandchildren Amy Cari, Brian Cari, Tess Heuer, and Jonathon Heuer. A memorial service and late luncheon is planned for 4pm on Thursday, November 20, 2008, at the Italian American Club, 39200 Five Mile Road, Livonia, MI 48154 (734) 953-1137. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Alzheimer's Association. Professional services by Jowett Family Funeral Home, Benzonia.

MARK E. LIST
Age 54. Of Farmington, MI. Passed away November 16, 2008. Arrangements by THAYER-ROCK Funeral Home, Farmington.

JOHN A. MacDONALD
Age 88, of White Lake, MI, formerly of Birmingham. Passed away Tuesday, November 11, 2008. He was born December 5, 1919 in St. Louis, MI, the son of John R. and Etta L. (Rehle) MacDonald. Beloved husband of the late Mary E. (Hardy) MacDonald (7/13/2007). Dear father of Bruce (Linda) of West Bloomfield, Jack of Pennsylvania and Suzanne (Dennis) of New Hampshire; dear grandfather of Trina, Alexis and Robert; great-grandfather of Nolan. Also survived by his brother, Edward of Howell. John was a veteran of WWII and had served in the Army. He was a consultant for commercial truck sales, member of First Presbyterian Church in Birmingham, Birmingham Blue Lodge #44, F. & A.M., the Scottish Rite and enjoyed the Birmingham Senior Men's Club. John deeply enjoyed family, friends and his pets. Memorial services will be held at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to First Presbyterian Church in Birmingham. Arrangements by MacDonald's Funeral Home, Howell (517-546-2800). Please leave remembrances on the family's online guestbook at www.macdonaldsfuneralhome.com.

NANCY C. WILKINS
Long time Westland resident. Age 67. Died October 16, 2008 at her home in Henderson, Nevada. Nancy was born November 12, 1940 to Clifford and Ruby Moore. She is survived by brother and sister-in-law, James and Lenore Moore; brother, David Moore; sister-in-law, Yvonne Moore; sister, Faye Niernan; sister and brother-in-law, Julie and Wayne Tutor; and many nieces and nephews. Nancy was preceded in death by her husband, Herbert Wilkins; and her brother, Martin Moore.

TANYA MICHELLE (COTTON) ANDERSON
Age 48. Of Farmington Hills, MI. November 12, 2008. Arrangements by THAYER-ROCK Funeral Home.

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New pastor tackles job of rebuilding congregation

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
O & E STAFF WRITER

Rev. Merlin Pratt has one big task to accomplish as the new pastor of Cherry Hill United Methodist Church in Canton — it's his job to rebuild the congregation.

Over the last 175 years the numbers have dwindled to about 40. Pratt thinks many Christians are seeking the comfort of a smaller church but wants to see a few more faces in the pews, especially for the Sunday School for adults at 9 a.m.

Cherry Hill United Methodist is a historic place of worship. Organized in 1834, the first church was built the next year. Pratt says much of the wood from the original structure was used in barns and homes in the area when the present church was built in 1882.

"My purpose is to help restore the church to its place of prominence in the community," said Pratt. "It's a historic place but we have somehow slipped out of sight. It's located in Cherry Hill Village at the corner of Cherry Hill and Ridge roads, but you can see the spire from all over."

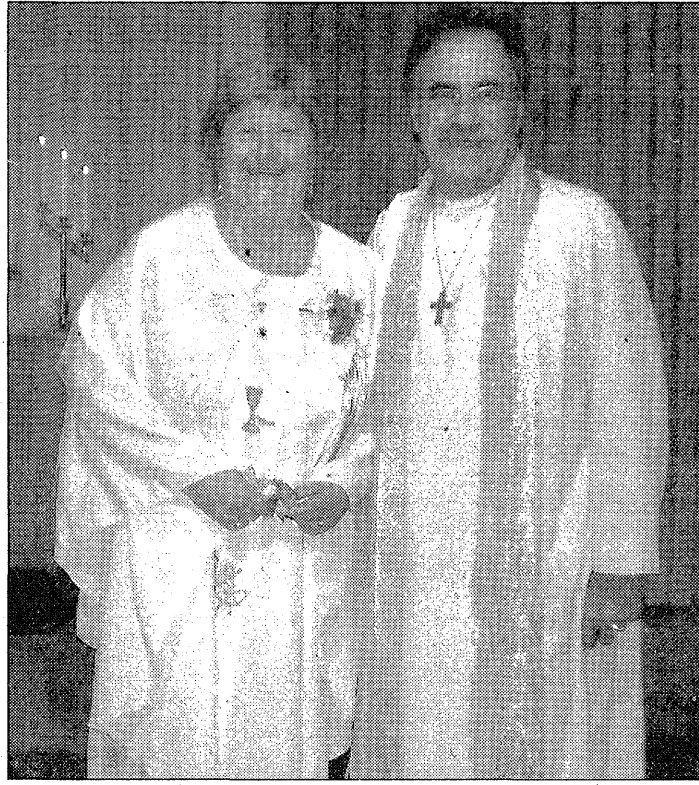
In recent years the church has lost members who worked in the auto industry and had to leave to find employment. While Pratt

is not making any major changes to attract church goers, he is adding a 7:30 p.m. Thursday prayer service to bring the faithful together more often. He's also trying to attract younger people by incorporating praise music into the traditional service at 10:30 a.m. Sunday.

"We're starting to see results. The mood is lighter," said Pratt. "The prayer service is a meaningful place to meet in the middle of a busy week. On Sundays we have world class pianist and teacher, Andrew Song, to accompany the services and I play guitar. Because it's small it's really quite interesting. Some people want the anonymity of a huge church, but some people want to be comfortable."

MARRIED AND MINISTERS

Merlin has been settling into the church since arriving with his wife, Rev. Kay Pratt, in late summer. Both Merlin and Kay were relocated to make sure area churches survive. She serves as pastor of Denton Faith United Methodist Church in Belleville but shares the parsonage of the Canton house of worship with her husband of 17 years. The unique situation allows the two pastors to exchange and expand upon ideas for tending their flocks.



Rev. Merlin Pratt recently moved to Canton with his wife, the Rev. Kay Pratt. Merlin is the new pastor at Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, Kay is at Denton Faith United Methodist Church in Belleville.

The Pratt's ministries seem to go hand in hand. In fact it's hard to imagine one without the other as they sit talking about their goals.

The couple originally met in the seminary in Illinois and since then have shepherded churches on the west side of the state. Most recently they completed two years

as missionaries in Jamaica and in the past served in Appalachian missions in southeast Ohio and Indian missions in Oklahoma. He grew up in Jackson County and worked as a structural steel fabricator before God called him into ministry in the late 1980s. Kay grew up in Indiana. The two have five



Rev. Merlin Pratt (left) and his wife, the Rev. Kay Pratt (right) spent two years serving in the ministry in Kingston, Jamaica.

children and 12 grandchildren.

"Faith doesn't have a parsonage and is only part time, but allows me to go on missions," said Kay Pratt. "Faith partners with a church in Liberia where they're building a church. I'm going on a Jamaica mission trip this summer and am involved with local missions like the food pantry, shoebox and coat drives. It's a mission-oriented church. The youth meet during worship, a blended service of contemporary and traditional with praise music.

We're getting ready to start Advent Bible Studies, 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 1. Tuesday is the contemporary youth service at 5:30 p.m. to start at Advent and continue on. We have a total of 50 in attendance on Sunday morning."

For more information about Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, visit cherryhillumc.org or call (734) 495-0035. To learn more about Denton Faith, call (734) 233-4065.

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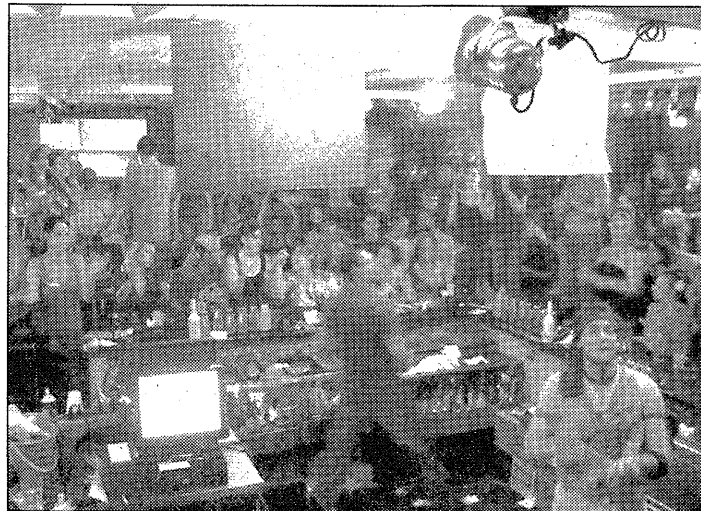
ics of scary movies, funny films, *The Simpsons*, *The Family Guy* and pop culture. On Tuesdays there's bean bag "Toss Across" games and on Monday beer pong. Every night the week, patrons can stand on the chairs and dance, and bartenders perform trick-like moves with their booze bottles similar to Tom Cruise in *Cocktail* or the women in *Coyote*

Ugly. Allen's brother spins music under the name DJ Tack, playing alternative, top 40, country and more.

"He may play the Blues Brothers, or dueling banjos," Allen said. "It's like Cancun minus the sand."

P.Y. Stix attracts a younger crowd of 20 and 30 somethings at night, but "you might see someone in their 50s or older here and they will have fun too," she said.

Weekdays, the tone is completely different during the afternoon hours.



At P.Y. Stix in Livonia there's a different party theme every night. Here is a typical crowded Saturday night, with bartenders and the guests dancing and playing games together.

"That's when we have the work people who just come in for a regular business lunch," Allen said. "We serve wraps, salads, wings..." There's seven large television screens for sports fans, never a dress code and drink specials here include "gator bombs" which is a drink of Gatorade, rum, sugar and ice and "cherry bombs" which is vodka or rum, grenadine syrup and sometimes cherries.

The martini menu is limited. This is more of a Bud/Bud Light/Killian's crowd. "We just started serving Miller on draft and on Sundays during football games we offer Bud Light on draft," Allen said. So, if the economy has you down and you want a spring break this fall, P.Y. Stix has the wild vibe if you like it loud and extremely social.

SPOTLIGHT

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awards in Spotlight Player's version of the Oscars — a best supporting actor and a best supporting actress nod respectively.

"I find as my memory goes I enjoy being a director more than being an actor," Cuba joked. "As an actor you shape one character, you tell the story of one character. As a director, you influence the shape of the story of all the characters."

"I do definitely look at community theater as cooperative storytelling."

And the tale his cast of 19 will take on this month requires cooperation to bring two of very different families to life, as it seemed in the 1930s. "I had never heard of the play," Cuba admitted. When the selection committee chose *You Can't Take it With You* several Spotlight members told him "this is your kind of play."

And it turned out they were right.

The message of the show spoke to Cuba, as he hopes it also will resonate with audiences. And that message was, he said: "If you're not having fun why are you doing it?" It's a sentiment that applies to life, Cuba said, though not without its consequences. "You always have the choice to choose your heart's desire," he said.

TWO FAMILIES

The production follows three generations of a non-traditional family — one that includes an aspiring ballerina, a xylophone player who enjoys using a printing press, and a playwright who found her calling when a typewriter was accidentally delivered to the house by mistake. When one of the more conserva-

tive members of the family, Alice Sycamore, falls for her boss, Tony Kirby, the son of a wealthy tycoon, two worlds collide.

"Tony and Alice are in love," Cuba explained. "Alice is trying to balance two wildly different families." And it won't be easy, as Cuba hinted at an Act II breakup.

Cuba began casting the roles — many of which require a memorable, eccentric character — in September. "Two-thirds of a director's job is getting the right cast," he said. "So far I've been very lucky." By the end of the month rehearsals were well on their way. The show includes Canton residents Jerry Carney, Dan McKane, Meg DaPonte, Pat McKane, Linda Pohl, Tim Chanko, James Day, Joe Cone and John Chew; Westland residents Reuben Ellman, David Zolotarchuk and Linda Trygg; and Livonia residents Lisa Brawley and Richard Holland; and requires three-hour rehearsals, three nights a week.

And this week, the cast is running through the show almost nightly and working within the constructed set with props and costumes. The set for *You Can't Take it With You* is an expansive one, according to Cuba. Many of its pieces were borrowed from previous shows, like the recently-wrapped *Hello Dolly*. Cuba noted that for those interested in participating in community theatre, Spotlight Players truly does rely on open casting. While he admits the group does have its regular actors who audition show after show, directors remain open-minded and will cast whomever might be best for the part.

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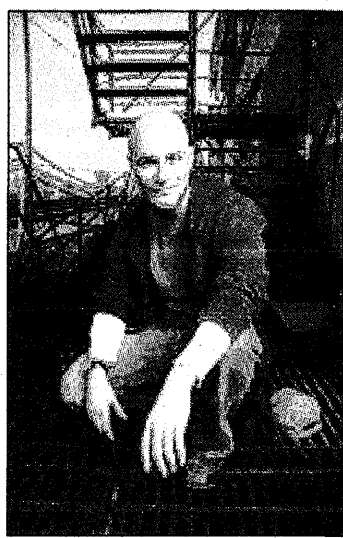
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Stand-up comic having good year

BY SUSAN STEINMUELLER
STAFF WRITER



Mike Stanley

It's been a good year for Mike Stanley despite the economy. Or perhaps because of it. "I've had great crowds the last couple months, even though the market crashed," said Stanley, 30, a stand-up comedian. Maybe, he speculated, people need humor even more when times are tough.

"Everybody is so down. They need that release." Stanley, a Redford native who lives in Chicago, Ill., returns to the area for Thanksgiving and Christmas week performances. He'll be at Joey's Comedy Club in Livonia at the 8 p.m. show Thanksgiving Eve, Nov. 26, and at Chaplins Comedy Club, Clinton Township, Nov. 28 and 29.

He's also scheduled to be at Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle in Royal Oak on Dec. 26 and 27. He's looking forward to appearing at Joey's, where he got his start and where he will close the show. At Joey's, comic and comedy teacher Bill Bushart of Redford first encouraged him to try stand-up when he performed during open mic sessions there.

"He's a funny guy," said Bushart, when reached for comment. "He's got good pop culture humor, he has a message, and he's very entertaining on stage."

"When you're doing comedy, it's about survival and Mike has stuck with it."

Stanley said his first success with comedy came in a show as a student at Pierce Junior High in Redford, when he told comic Stephen Wright's jokes for a contest and won second place.

Initially he followed his dad, George Stanley, retired Redford Township Fire Department Battalion Chief, into fire fighting. While working as an emergency medical technician, he began getting comedy bookings and about six years ago decided to pursue stand-up comedy full time.

"I started working all the clubs in Michigan, then had the

opportunity to work in Chicago, and around the Midwest," he said.

Stanley describes 2007 as a "rough year." "I was touring relentlessly."

"In retrospect it afforded me the ability to really craft my act." This year, "I was just named the 2008 Best Stand-up Comedian in Chicago by the *Chicago Reader*," an alternative newspaper. "I also just signed a deal with Stand Up! Records."

Stanley said his topics range from his girlfriend to politics.

"It's geared to a more mature audience," he said. He knows his proud mom, Mary Ann, may have a front row seat, however, and his material isn't something he wouldn't want her to hear.

Stanley says reading the newspaper provides fresh material, although he tends to veer away from very topical humor because it has a "shelf life."

"We live in such strange times right now," he said. "It's great fodder for comedy."

"I'm just thankful that I get to do it," he said of his act.

Joey's Comedy Club is located at 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. Call (734) 261-0555.

Chaplins Comedy Club is located at 34244 Groesbeck Highway, Clinton Township. Call (586) 792-1902.

Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle is located at 269 E. Fourth, Royal Oak. Call (248) 542-9900.

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Avon Players: See *A Christmas Story*, with shows Nov. 28-30, Dec. 5-7, 12-14, at 1185 Washington Road, Rochester Hills. Call (248) 608-9077.

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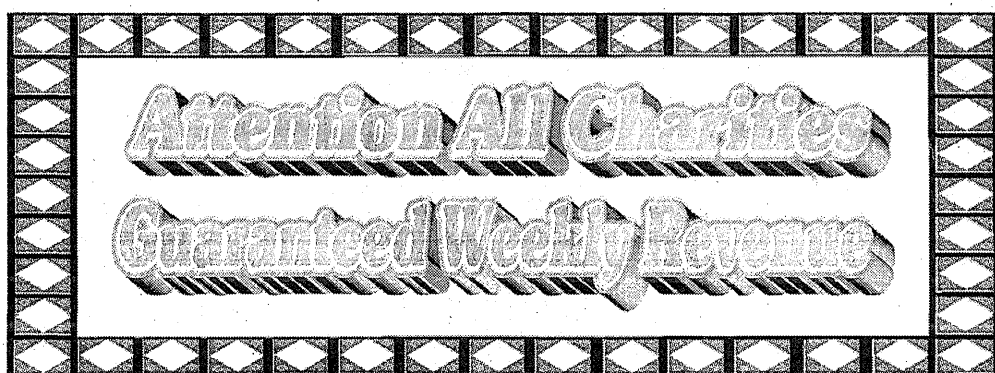
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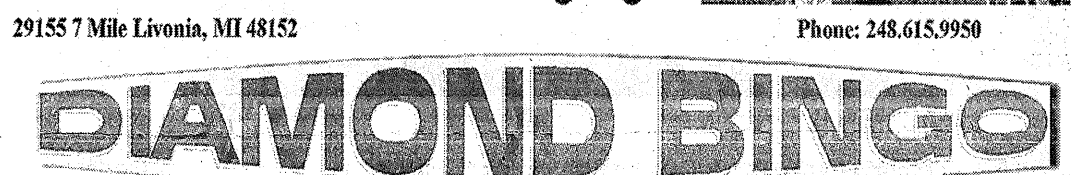
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Are you a Pear or Apple?

Fashion blogger helps women chose what fits them – and save a bundle

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

Tanya Chisholm has four roles that happily consume her time.

As blogger of a popular fashion website, she informs readers about big sales and good fashion. The blog is titled "Fashion Sensei" — Sensei is the Japanese word for "teacher."

In her other fashion role, she founded Apples & Pears Personal Shopping. The Troy resident shops with women if they choose, or she'll do it for them.

Chisholm helps women update their wardrobe at stylish stores — and saves them money by knowing where the deals are and what clothing items will last for more than a season or two.

Her personal shopping business also is designed to show women over 30 how to dress for their body type.

"Every woman is generally shaped either like an apple or a pear," Chisholm said. "When knowing that, it helps them when they're trying to buy jeans, sweaters and jackets."

Chisholm is also the mother of two and a wife.

The combination means she, like many women, is busy.

"When we're raising a family and/or working, we don't always have time to focus on trends," Chisholm said. "We have more important things to do. I find that many women over the age of 35 are confused about what to buy."

They don't want to dress too young like a 21-year-old nightclub hoper; nor do they want to look like they're working in a really bad office.

Apples & Pears Personal

TANYA CHISHOLM

What: Personal shopping company for moms; women on a budget and women who need help getting a "makeover" for that prospective job interview. Chisholm is also a fashion blogger.

Contact: (248) 877-0777 and e-mail: shopwithapplesandpears@comcast.net

Blog: fashionsensei.wordpress.com

Shopping is designed so that women on a budget can hire Chisholm to buy smart, current, long-lasting pieces that update their wardrobe. What we wore in our 20s isn't what we should be wearing now.

"I always said that if there were *Garanimals* for women (where women could put together outfits based on matching color-coded tags), they would," Chisholm said. "Because we are incredibly busy."

Apples & Pears doesn't have a *Garanimal*-type clothing line, but its philosophy can ease and quicken the shopping process. Buying jeans or a little black dress can be grueling if you don't know how.

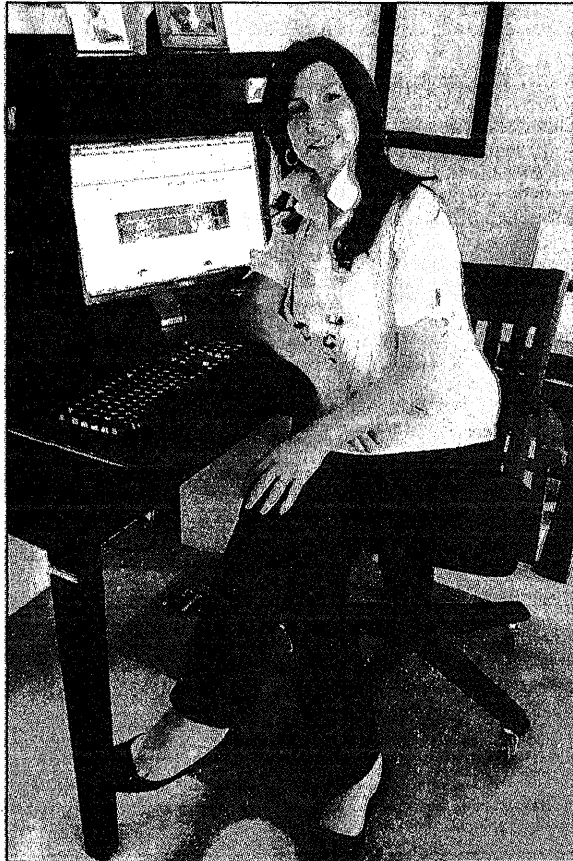
"In this economy we need to watch every dollar. I want to help people so they don't throw their money away and so they look as good as they can."

Not only does Chisholm personal shop for clothing, she can help find children's and household items too.

She's a personal shopper for all budgets, she says.

And when she's not shopping, she's helping women online.

Her fun Fashion Blog is



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Tanya Chisholm created a website for women's fashion advice, and is also a personal shopper.

popular nationwide, but Chisholm focuses on topics for Michiganders.

This week on her blog, she told readers about Kate Spade's private 20 percent off sale. And, she offered a 20 percent coupon to Loehmann's to whomever needed it.

She gave the code to Bath & Body Works online 20-percent-off discount and links to \$10 off coupons at Victoria's Secret.

Fashion Sensei is a one-stop blog for all that's current in women's style. When H&M launched Comme des Garçons' line last week, she reminded us. When Marshall's offered a \$250 gift card, she provided the links. And when the Gap or Old Navy offers something special, even if not widely publicized, Fashion Sensei seems to get the scoop.

In an October blog, the Sensei talked about body lan-

guage during a job interview.

If it's true that first impressions are literally one-tenth of a second long, you can't scratch your head, look down, keep your hands in your pockets or use hand gestures. In September, she talked about a faux airbrushed face — and the importance of a silicone-based primer, before adding foundation, to fill in the lines on your face. The Sensei found Sephora's bareVitamins PrimeTime that doesn't contain parabens.

The look results in smoother skin.

While the blog is for the public to save money, it also gives general fashion and beauty advice. Apples & Pears is the personalized service.

The bubbly Chisholm said it's also a great job because, after all, shopping can be fun when you know how to do it smart.

pink picks

By Mollie

This week's PINK Picks come courtesy of reader Mollie Dobersek, 21, of Canton. The Schoolcraft College student plans to enroll at Eastern Michigan University and major in journalism: She would enjoy writing a fashion column. Dobersek earned an honorable mention in our recent PINK Picks contest and we think it will be easy for you to see why:



Mollie Dobersek

Wear It!

skinny jeans, vests, high-waisted belted dresses/skirts, long tunics, liquid leggings, animal prints

DON'T Wear It!

Crocs footwear, bell-bottom jeans, jean jackets, loud logos

Kick It!

classy stilettos, ankle boots, slouchy boots

Tote It!

big bags, designer purses, slouchy bags

Face It!

Bare Minerals by Urban Decay, MAC bright bold eye shadow

Mane It!

Bangs, asymmetrical cuts, long bobs, edgy layers, high and low lights, textured hair

Smell It!

Juicy Couture, Gwen Stefani's Harajuku Lovers perfume set, Ed Hardy Love & Luck perfume

Hear It!

Addicted by Saving Abel, Paper Planes by M.I.A.

See It!

Choke, My Best Friends Girl

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Showtime's *Dexter* (Season 1-3), *One Tree Hill*, *Rescue Me*, *The New 90210*

Drink It!

California Peach Sangria, Mountain Dew Voltage

Experience It!

Skydiving, acupuncture massage, backpacking through Europe

Eat It!

sushi, garden burgers, crab cakes, hummus and pita bread

Read It!

CherryBomb by Carrie Borzillo-Vrenna, *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo* by Stieg Larsson

Do It!

Yoga, meditate, plan a monthly "girl's night out"

Accessorize It!

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