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At Central Middle School, eighth-graders Brittney Berkey and Dana Blankenship watch the inauguration of the 44th president of the United States, Barack Obama.

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Advise and consent

Central Middle School students offer new president a few ideas

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Central Middle School student Matt VonGerichten, 13, thinks President Barack Obama should focus energy on the auto industry. Classmate Qiara Reeves, 13, thinks the new president's efforts should turn toward solving poverty.

And 13-year-old Romika Gunn of Canton may have had the most salient piece of advice for Obama: ignore the media.

Those were just a few of the pieces of advice students in Kathy Meyers' social studies class were including in letters they wrote to the new president, whose inauguration they watched Tuesday with rapt attention.

"We've always been told anyone can do anything, and now we're seeing that happen," Gunn said of the nation's first African-American president. "It's sorta



The Imagine Theaters in Canton showed the inauguration on the big screen. Plymouth resident Mark Lee cheers the swearing-in of Barack Obama.

cool."

Meyers, in her 17th year teaching social studies, is having her students write Obama letters, each offering three pieces of advice. The letters, Meyers

explained, were crafted to connect Obama's election with "what they know and letting (Obama) know their life is important."

The kids have been comparing this election to the development of the country, and this campaign to other presidential races. When Meyers takes her students on their annual trek to Washington D.C., the course of study will become even more evident.

"When we go to Washington, so much of what we see is relevant to what we study," said Meyers, who makes her 17th such trip in June. "The kids make the connection themselves."

Central Principal Anthony Ruela was helping the younger kids make the election connection, getting the inauguration up on a big screen in the school's annex gym, where students watched during their lunch period.

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Big crowd turns out to watch historic inauguration

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Most of the several hundred people who watched the inauguration of Barack Obama to become the nation's 44th president at the Imagine Theater in Canton didn't know one another. However, for those who watched on the big screen, it was an opportunity to share in the experience, just like the millions in Washington, D.C.

"It felt like you were there," said Mark Lee, 48, of Plymouth Township. "You could feel the enthusiasm. It was a wonderful experience, and frankly, it was history."

"I've never been so proud of America," he said. "We just celebrated Dr. (Martin

Luther) King and talked about his dream, and I think this is the next step in fulfilling that dream. When he took that oath of office, and you look at the faces in the crowd, it was very diverse and everybody was so proud, with no racial or economic boundaries."

"We wanted to share the experience with others," added ReGina Coles-Shamberger of Canton Township, who watched with her husband, Jeffery. "It was almost surreal. It was like 'Oh my God, it's actually happening.'"

Jeffery Schamberger said the inauguration of the first African-American president reminded him of his parents' struggles.

"Growing up and seeing their struggles

and always wanting to make a better country for us," said Shamberger, 59. "Though they couldn't be here, what they were saying to us about keep strong and keep working, and it pays off like this."

Debra Brodie, 57, of Detroit said she'd never been politically active until Obama got into the race. It was then she decided to volunteer for his campaign and made a monetary contribution to the effort.

"I don't know if it was so much because we share a racial commonality, I think it was because he is smart, eloquent and tender," said Brodie. "All I could think about at the end of the oath of office was 'He did it!'"

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Food vendors can line Main Street

BY BRAD KADRICH
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Spectators at this weekend's Plymouth International Ice Sculpture who thought they might have to hunt around for a good bear claw or elephant ear need not worry.

The carnival-style booths that sell such delectables will be allowed on Main Street after all.

The Plymouth City Commission approved a request Monday from ice festival organizers to allow food vendors along Main Street, between the edge of Kellogg Park and the row of retailers fronting the west side of the street. The unanimous decision reversed a position the commission took just a couple of weeks ago, when they asked organizers to move such booths so as not to detract from the view.

"Administratively, we have no problem with it," City Manager Paul Sincock said of the positioning. "We've had some objections from retailers in the past. It's more of a political issue, more of an aesthetics issue. Clearly, they need extra places to have food and activities, because our restaurants are going to be overrun."

The issue for the vendors is power. While some commissioners and retailers would like to see the carnival-style booths on Penniman, Sincock said there isn't enough available power right now and, with the late submission of the festivals special-event permit, there wasn't time to work anything out.

Putting the booths along

PLYMOUTH IN ICE

■ **What:** 2009 Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular

■ **Where:** Downtown Plymouth, Kellogg Park and The Gathering

■ **When:** Friday-Sunday, Jan. 23-25

■ **Featuring:** Japanese professionals, along with professional, high school and college carvers creating some 100 sculptures out of thousands of pounds of ice

■ **Details:** See the Filter section in today's paper and visit www.plymouthice.com

Main Street allows vendors to hook into a pair of power portals there, rather than pay the cost of rigging another solution.

"Could you work around it? Certainly," Sincock told commissioners. "But it comes at additional expense, and the festival is scraping by as it is."

In making their original decision, commissioners said they were relying on a survey conducted by the Downtown Development Authority.

However, Mayor Pro Tem Ron Loiselle, who also chairs the ice festival board, pointed out Monday none of the 18 percent of respondents cited food booth location as an issue. Still, he said, organizers planned to put the vendors as close to the ends of Main Street as possible to avoid cluttering up the view.

The festival runs Friday-Sunday and features professional, high school and college carvers. More than 100 sculptures are expected to be carved.

Canton police track down man wanted in armed robberies

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A 22-year-old Ann Arbor man is being held on \$500,000 bond after being arrested Monday night in connection with the armed robbery of a sandwich shop in Canton.

And that may be only the beginning of his troubles, as he's also a suspect in restaurant robberies in Plymouth Township, Livonia and Garden City.

Following a number of leads from the public, Shawn William Bowman was taken into custody without incident shortly before 10 p.m. Monday night while driving near Sheldon and Ford roads. Canton police believe Bowman is responsible for the robbery of a Subway restaurant on Canton Center Road Friday afternoon. An undisclosed amount of cash was taken after the robber showed the



Bowman

clerk a gun in his waistband and demanded money from the cash register.

"We received numerous tips from our Community Alert program

and known associates of the suspect," Canton Police Sgt. Debra Newsome said. "We were able to follow the leads and tracked him down as he was driving to a meeting in Canton."

Bowman was arraigned Tuesday afternoon in 35th District Court in front of Judge Ron Lowe. The list of charges includes felony armed robbery, which is punishable by up to life in prison, and being a habitual offender. Lowe set a preliminary exam date of Jan. 30 at the Plymouth court. Bowman can be released from jail if he posts 10 percent — \$50,000 — of the bond amount.

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Warming Homes and Hearts

The Heat and Warmth Fund (THAW) is a nonprofit organization established to provide low-income families with energy assistance during crisis. For the 2007-2008 heating season, THAW distributed more than \$10,928,000 in energy assistance to more than 8,600 households in Michigan.

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Coming Sunday:

Stars we love

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

Ladies' night

New Hope Center for Grief Support in cooperation with Carolyn Dicomio of Arbonne, Carol Massey of Cookie Lee Jewelry, and Carol Clark of Margo's Salon will be hosting a Ladies Night at Pulte Home's Arcadia Ridge Villas in Northville 7-10 p.m. Friday, Jan. 23.

Join us for makeup tips, beautiful jewelry, massages and facials. Refreshments will also be served and music will be provided by Lew Perrotta of BEAT CRAZY.

Cost is \$30 per lady at the door.

The Model Condo is located at 49285 Freestone Drive, Northville, MI 48168. Enter on Arcadia Lane off of Ridge Road between Five and Six Mile Road. To RSVP call New Hope at (248) 348-0115 or e-mail at griefhelp@newhope-center.net by Jan. 21.

Kiwanis euchre party

The Plymouth Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club is sponsoring a euchre party to fight off the winter doldrums Saturday, Jan. 24, at the VFW Post 7575 at 33011 Ford Road in Garden City.

All proceeds of the event will support community wide service programs such as their dictionary project that provides a personal dictionary to all third graders in Plymouth Canton Community Schools.

The entry fee is only \$10 with sign-in at 7 p.m. and games beginning at 7:30 p.m. There will be lots of prizes and a cash bar with refreshments available for purchase. Call Debby at 734-282-2340 or e-mail at dtorzy@hotmail.com to register or to get more information. Walk-ins are also welcome.

Comedy for a cause

An evening designed to benefit Barefoot Productions, Plymouth's only live theater company, Thursday, Feb. 5, at Joey's Comedy Club, 36071 Plymouth Road in Livonia.

Doors open at 7:30 p.m., the show starts at 8 p.m. (you



Remembering Ricky

'Ricky Nelson Remembered' comes to the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton March 27. This performance will benefit the non-profit bereavement outreach work of New Hope Center for Grief Support. New Hope is kicking off their 10th anniversary year with this exciting performance. 'Ricky Nelson Remembered' is presented by Matthew and Gunnar, twin sons of rock 'n' roll legend Ricky Nelson and grandsons of TV's Ozzie and Harriet Nelson. They produced the 90-minute performance as a tribute to their 'Pop.' The evening starts with champagne cocktails and finger desserts at 7 p.m. Patrons will be seated starting at 7:40 for an 8 p.m. performance. For tickets phone the Village Theater box office 734-394-5300, or purchase online at www.canton-mi.org/villagetheater. A portion of your ticket purchase is tax-deductible. Sponsors are also welcomed to help underwrite costs of presenting this concert.

must be 21 or older to attend). Cost is \$15 per person, and tickets can be purchased at www.ticketleap.com or calling (734) 334-0564.

Joey's requires a \$5 or two-drink minimum. The ticket also provides a 25-percent discount for dinner at Kicker's. Show tickets must be purchased in advance. The event also includes a 50-50 drawing.

For more information contact Scott at (734) 334-0564 or Scedra3@yahoo.com

Crafters wanted

The Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters host their annual Spring Arts and Crafts Ensemble Saturday, March 14.

Exhibitors who hand-craft their own items are invited to submit an application to exhibit at the fund-raising event to be held at Plymouth High School in Canton. The juried art event is produced twice each year by the PCMB to help support the band and color guard programs at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

Artists and crafters who

are interested in applying for consideration to exhibit should visit www.pcmb.net/artcraft to download an application and submit with photos by early February or contact Carol Rosati at (734) 455-0714. Only 100 exhibitors will be permitted to exhibit at this event.

Plymouth High School is located at 8400 Beck Road in Canton. The Spring Arts & Craft Ensemble will be held 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 14. In addition to over 100 exhibits, there will be food, a raffle, and entertainment by local musicians and artists throughout the day. Admission is \$2.

OLGC open house

Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish School has invited area families to join students and staff for a special open house celebration 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 25.

The open house begins Catholic Schools Week, a time when the students highlight their many activities of service and civic responsibility. All are welcome to share in the

celebrations of the day, which will include a showcase of the school's science fair competition, musical programs, special student clubs, extra-curricular activities and after-school care.

Registration information will be available. Registrations for the 2009/10 school year are due Feb. 1. OLG School offers an accredited Catholic education for children in kindergarten through eighth grade. More information can be found at http://school.olgparish.net

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: Thursday, Feb. 12 at Caravel; Max & Erma's, Tuesday, March 10, all

day, a flyer is needed, which can be downloaded from our web site. They will donate 20 percent of their profits to the senior party; 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/peep/pages/classof2009/senior-party09.htm (this flyer must be presented at time of purchase for us to receive 20 percent credit of your purchase).

Visit the committee's blog at http://peep09seniorparty.blogspot.com/ or its Web page at http://web.pccs.k12.mi.us/peep/pages/classof2009/senior-party09.htm

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

PLAV members

PLAV Post #166, located at 39375 Amrhein in Livonia (at the southeastern corner of Amrhein and Eckles) is seeking new veteran members (the first year is offered free).

The Post meeting is the second Monday of every month (except July and August) and begins at 7:30 p.m. with a light lunch that follows the meeting. Those interested are welcome; contact Sr Vice Cmdr/Adj Roger L. Kehrier, (734) 453-2031.

Grief to New Hope

Ward Presbyterian Church is sponsoring an eight week grief workshop, From Grief to New Hope, beginning Feb. 9. This free workshop is open to the community and will be presented by Plymouth's Cathy Clough, Director of New Hope Center for Grief Support.

Each session will begin with a presentation about one aspect of grief followed by small group participation led by trained facilitators. Attendees will be placed in groups with others who have had similar losses. The workshop will meet for eight consecutive Monday nights from 7-8:45 p.m. at Ward Church located on Six Mile and Haggerty roads in Northville. For registration information, call Barb at Ward Presbyterian Church at (248) 374-5943. For information about other age and loss specific grief support groups offered by New Hope Center for Grief Support call (248) 348-0115.

Free ballet classes

Metro Dance Company is offering a free Beginning Adult Ballet class 3:30-4:45 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31.

This class will focus on the basics of ballet including barre

and center work and is perfect for the novice dancer or the dancer looking to refresh their skills.

Contact the studio at (734) 207-8970 or info@MetroDanceCompany.com for more information.

Financial seminar

Catholic Parishes Federal Credit Union sponsors a free financial seminar, Keeping Your Deposits Safe, 10-11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 24, at its Plymouth branch, 8817 Sheldon.

Learn how the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund (an agency of the Federal Government) protects your deposits, what limits are in place, and how you can maximize your options.

To RSVP call (734) 432-0212, Ext. 301. Light refreshments and handouts provided.

Saturdays @ The Penn

The Plymouth Community Arts Council and the Plymouth Canton Symphony Society present Saturdays at the Penn @ noon.

The next old-fashioned variety shows for children and families is Feb. 7, with special musical host Guy Louis and Chautauqua Express and special guest performer Like Water Drume and Dance. The announcer is Timothy Thompson.

Tickets cost \$3 and may be purchased the day of the show. Doors open at 11:15 a.m. at the Penn Theatre, 760 Penniman in Plymouth. To purchase tickets before the concert or for more information on group purchases, contact Deb Madonna at (734) 377-0914. Visit www.PennSaturdays.com for more information.

Prison Family Support Group

Do you have a family member currently serving time in prison, a subject that you can't easily discuss with just anyone? Now, there's a place for help - for conversation - for understanding of what you are going through.

Hope-4-Healing is a free on-going support group for those who have loved ones in prison, providing a safe place to talk about it, share with and learn from others. The group meets the second Monday of every month beginning in January 2009 at Kirk of Our Savior Presbyterian Church, 36660 Cherry Hill, in Westland.

For additional information, contact Bonnie at (734) 646-2237 or e-mail hope4healing@rocketmail.com

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Century city - library circulation hits million mark

BY JULIE BROWN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Graham Martin of Plymouth Township wasn't surprised to hear the Plymouth District Library checked out more than one million items in 2008 - 1,012,031, to be exact.

"I probably took about 25 percent of that," joked Martin, who teaches art at Salem High School. "I use the library a lot."

He finds books, magazines, and some DVDs, including educational ones from the arts section. Martin's interested in photography and art, and checks out school-related art books as well as magazines related to his interests in biking, hiking and bird watching.

The one million circulation figure is a first for the Plymouth library, which circulated more than 925,000 items in 2006. As of 2007, the collection included some 185,000 items, books as well

'I think we just continue to draw people in. Certainly, the economy helps us all. People are coming in for the free entertainment materials. And it's close to home.'

PAT THOMAS, library director

as CDs, DVDs, audio books and more. For 2007, 946,691 was the total.

"We are wearing out our shoes and that's OK," said Pat Thomas, library director. "That's what's supposed to happen."

Circulation was up last year about 7 percent for Plymouth, and Thomas hears from other area libraries with jumps as high as 20 percent.

"I think we just continue to draw people in," Thomas said. "Certainly, the economy helps us all. People are coming in for the free entertainment materi-

als. And it's close to home."

In this economy, she finds people use the library to look for jobs as well as find information on energy efficiency. "We've always had good support from the community," said Thomas, citing the book budget. "We have what people seem to want. I think it's a pretty good deal."

Thomas noted the population of around 37,000 in the city and township. "As averages go, that's very, very high," she said. "We're in the top three or four as far as circulation per capita."

"I think it means the library is supported very strongly by the community," agreed colleague Sue Patterson, adult services librarian. "I think it speaks well for the library and the community."

Patterson noted the library has materials patrons want. "We must have the things people want and need, and hopefully provide a strong ser-

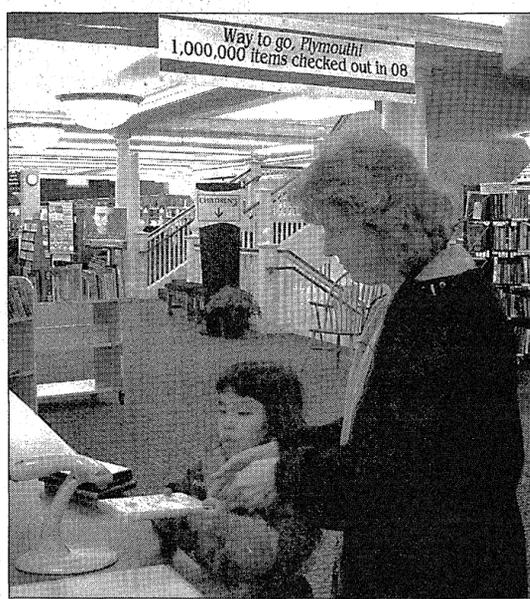
vice. We have a strong service ethic here."

Martin agreed. "They continue to grow in what they have available," he said. "I use the Canton library a lot too." He finds Canton's collection especially good in photography and computer information.

"We did a lot of reading with the kids when they were growing up. We started them out very young," Martin added of himself and wife Mary. They have four grown children, four grandkids and a fifth grandchild on the way.

The grandkids like the books from Plymouth that include puppets, he said. Graham Martin, who used to get tax forms from the library before they became available online, also finds good quality used books for sale at Plymouth's library.

"I always check that out," he said.



Plymouth Township resident Mary Hejka and her daughter, Anna, started off the new year by checking out library books with the new self-check system.

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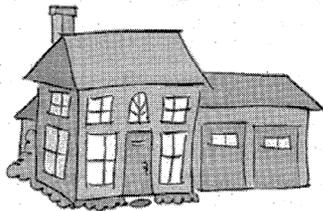
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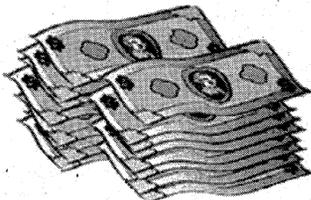
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Today's Health

The road to a new you

GARDEN CITY HOSPITAL

Westland Specialty Center offers sophisticated care

BY ALISON BERGSIEKER
ADVERTORIAL COORDINATOR

When it comes to making New Year's resolutions, health-related pledges are the most common choices, with many vowing to shed unwanted pounds, eat healthier, stop smoking or learn to manage stress at work.

But maintaining good health is important year-round, making the need for reliable treatment facilities, physicians and services a necessity within Metro Detroit's communities.

Garden City Hospital's newly renovated 30,000-square-foot Westland Specialty Center has a fresh look this year with customized programs for various needs — all conveniently located in a modernized facility.

"We've added capacity, capabilities and new programs," said Art Greenlee, Vice President of Operations. "Here, in one location, is some of the most sophisticated care of its type available anywhere."

The Westland facility celebrated its grand opening March 15, 2008, and provides a number of services, including the hospital's Wound Healing & Hyperbaric Center, which houses an eight-person hyperbaric chamber that delivers oxygen therapy to patients with hard-to-heal wounds.

The chamber space is similar to what you would experience in a first class cabin of an airplane with room to stand and walk around. As the second largest chamber in the state, it measures 8 feet in diameter by 24 feet in length



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The center is home to a Wound Healing & Hyperbaric Center, which houses an eight-person hyperbaric chamber (shown above) that delivers oxygen therapy to patients with hard-to-heal wounds.

and includes a bathroom. Patients may enjoy a personal TV monitor, nap or read during their treatment.

The multi-person chamber — one of the largest in Michigan — commonly treats diabetic foot wounds, chronic bone infections, compromised skin grafts and flaps, radiation damage, surgical wounds and crush injuries. In addition, Westland Specialty Center offers a monoplace, single person chamber, which extends the treatment options available to patients.

A range of offerings

Located at 35600 Central City Parkway just north of

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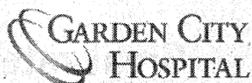
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Get fit



The latest in fitness and weight training accessories

BY JOHN R. HALL
SPECIAL WRITER

Some of the most popular fitness and weight training accessories are also some of the most traditional ones too.

Some are steeped in tradition, only to be enhanced and improved for fitness and weight training routines and workouts.

For example, the hula hoop, made popular in the '50s and '60s, has made a comeback as a fitness accessory, albeit more weighted to enhance workouts.

The items in the list below represent some of the more popular products used by people who choose to set up their own "in-home gymnasium" in order to achieve the goals they set forth to become fit and healthy in 2009. If you need more information on any of these products and name brand manufacturers, do a word search in your Internet browser. For example, keying in "hula hoop" brings back over five million results!

• **Weighted fitness ball** — Sometimes known as an exercise ball, it is constructed of elastic soft PVC with a diameter of approximately 14-34 inches. It is most often used in physical therapy and exercise.

• **Medicine ball** — Weighted ball usually sold in 2-25 lb. sizes and used in plyometric weight training to increase explosive power in athletes in all sports. Helps develop core strength and improve coordination, balance and endurance.

• **Kettlebell** — A traditional Russian cast iron weight resembling a cannonball with a handle. The kettlebell has become a popular exercise tool in the United States. Some modern kettlebells feature adjustable weights. Kettlebell workouts are intended to increase strength, endurance, agility and balance.

• **Indian clubs** — Juggling equipment that was popular in the late 19th- and early-20th century in Europe, the British Commonwealth and the United States. These are bowling-pin shaped wooden clubs of varying sizes and weights that are swung in certain patterns as part of an exercise program.

• **Dumbbells** — Possibly the most recognizable of any weight training accessory. Two types make up this category: Adjustable dumbbells, which are weight disks slid onto the outer portions of the dumbbell and secured with clips or collars; and fixed-

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weight dumbbells, available in a variety of weights and created in a dumbbell shape.

• **Lifting straps** — Designed to alleviate pain associated with heavy lifts but a key ingredient in weight training, i.e. lateral pull-downs, shrugs, deadlifts and low rows; any movement, set or exercise requiring a sure grip.

• **Resistance band** — A portable alternative to weights for strength training. A variety of exercises have been devised to target specific muscle groups.

• **Aerobic step** — A common piece of equipment for use in many exercise/fitness programs. It can come with adjustable sizing or stacking platforms and is part of low-impact, high-intensity aerobic exercise.

• **Jump rope** — Its use can avoid knee damage that may occur during running, since the impact of each jump or step is absorbed by both legs. Jumping rope also helps strengthen the arms and shoulders. This combination of an aerobic workout and coordination-building footwork has made jumping rope a popular form of exercise for athletes, especially boxers and wrestlers.

• **Exercise mat** — Portable mat that comes in various sizes and materials, designed to give a person the option of working out in a variety of indoor locations.

• **Weightlifting gloves** — Used for all-purpose training and weightlifting. Many of these gloves are made of stretch material, including mesh, to let fingers and hands bend naturally.

• **Slimmer belt** — Can be worn for long periods of time and adjust to any waist size. It "slims and trims" physical appearance immediately and helps support lower back and abdomen.

• **Pedometer** — Used originally by sports and physical fitness enthusiasts and are now popular as an everyday exercise measurer and motivator. Often worn on the belt and kept on all day, it can record how many steps the wearer has walked that day.

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OBAMA
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Ruela said he wanted to bring the election to as many students as possible and expected some 600 students to view it school-wide.

"This age group is such a media- and technology-savvy group," Ruela said. "This connects them to history and makes it more meaningful."

Meiers said she wanted to make the election relevant to students, because it won't be long before they're the ones making the decisions.

"They need to be interested and involved," Meiers said of her students. "In four short years, they're eligible to vote. They need to pay attention now."

Obama made an impression on many of the students. Carolyn Scharf, 13, of Plymouth, said she would have cast a ballot for the new president had she been eligible to vote.

"I think it's the way he treats us like average people, and he thinks from a suburban point of view," she said. "He seems to be into helping the environment and the auto industry, things that are important to us in Michigan."

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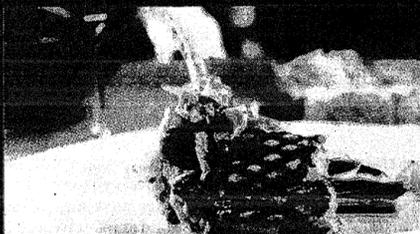


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OUR VIEWS

Ice fest ices place in hearts

The Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular has become such a staple of life around these parts, so synonymous with Plymouth, that it's difficult to believe there's anyone around who doesn't know about it.

But there are, and this weekend those folks get the chance to find out first-hand what all the fuss is about.

The 27th annual festival brings some of the same things it brings every year — some 100 statues carved from thousands of blocks of ice, competition between high school and college teams, and the artistry that marks the work of the Japanese team.

It'll feature dozens of professional carvers, including home-grown champions like Ted Wakar of Canton and Tajana Rakaur of Plymouth. On Saturday, the Plymouth Whalers and their mascot, Shooter, will be out signing autographs. Radio Disney does a sing-along Saturday afternoon.

Temperatures appear headed for the low 20s, ideal carving weather since it's cold enough to keep the ice frozen yet not unbearably cold so as to keep fans away.

And, if history tells us anything, not much keeps the fans away. Traditionally, thousands and thousands of spectators wind their way through Kellogg Park and The Gathering to watch, and "ooh" and "ahh!" Festival organizers like to say "hundreds of thousands," and tough as that is to swallow, there's no real way to dispute it either.

What can't be disputed is the impact the festival has had on Plymouth's visibility. Scores of hits on the festival's official Web site, scads of media hits, countless stories, photos and videos of the action.

Organizer Mike Watts tries to keep the festival as fresh as he can; this year's event has both MySpace and YouTube pages.

There are criticisms to be leveled at the festival. It could use some fresh ideas, but there are things Watts has tried that simply aren't feasible. The festival used to have a "celebrity carving" challenge, it's tried a hockey puck shooting contest, a laser light show and Fantasyland. One famous idea that got kicked around was setting up a skating rink for the kids.

Unfortunately, those things cost money and carry associated costs such as insurance liability that make them prohibitive. In today's economy, the best must be done with what money is available. Watts does that well.

And, at the end of the weekend, what you've got is a spectacular display of ice carvings. Mother Nature appears willing to cooperate, and we think locals, friends and visitors should get out and take advantage of it.

State must fight the urge to raid trust fund

Since the advent of the conservation movement, the state of Michigan has had few successes like the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund. The fund, which derives its revenue from royalties earned on oil, gas and mineral extraction from state lands, was initiated in 1976. Since then, it has provided more than \$600 million for the acquisition of important recreational lands and to develop state and local recreation assets.

During a time of strained budgets, especially in Lansing, the trust fund has been a constant and dependable source of revenue for the Department of Natural Resources to fund important projects and conserve vital natural lands from the onslaught of commercial development. This year alone, it will dole out more than \$48 million to fund 81 projects across the state.

Some of those projects include \$450,000 for Redford Township to build a non-motorized trail along Bell Creek; \$500,000 to develop and renovate the Bald Mountain Shooting Range in Oakland County; \$1,452,500 to acquire 2.5 miles of railway corridor in West Bloomfield for a recreational trail; and \$1,405,000 to acquire 67 acres for a nature preserve along an important tributary of the Huron River in Scio Township. This year, Canton Township will also receive a \$350,000 grant to construct six pedestrian bridges along the Lower Rouge Recreation Trail.

Unfortunately, its dependability is now endangering the trust fund. A transportation funding task force created by the state Legislature in 2007 to find ways to fix the state's aging road infrastructure recently released a report recommending the state "redirect all or a portion" of the trust fund to address transportation needs.

While we recognize the state needs to address its crumbling roadways, raiding the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund is not the way to do it. That's not what the voters of this state intended when they overwhelmingly supported the trust fund several times, most recently in 2002. Besides, to divert funding from the trust fund would require a change in the state's constitution, which makes it unlikely.

Still, environmental groups have raised the red flag, because they know how important the trust fund has been in conserving some of the state's most important natural landscapes for current and future generations. State lawmakers should resist the temptation to raid the trust fund. It is one of the true environmental success stories in this state — one that has benefited all Michigan residents. Hopefully, it will continue to do so for many years to come.



Hiller stands up

I applaud Jim Hiller's decision to stop selling cigarettes in his stores ("Hiller's butts out of cigarette business," *Observer*, Jan. 18).

He is standing up for his principles, even though it may cost him sales. I do shop there, and will continue to do so, and encourage my friends to give him their business as well.

Now if our legislature would find the courage to ban smoking in public places, our lives would all improve!

Julia Petro
Plymouth

Deal or no deal?

I purchased a copy of the *Observer* and read the article about the Plymouth-Canton Schools and its need to reduce costs.

My company attempted to get business with the district and other school districts in Michigan, but we ran into the dreaded "not invented here" syndrome. My company, Pangea Waste Systems LLC, based in Northville, works with a wide variety of businesses to audit their trash removal programs. We are very successful in reducing these costs by tens of thousands of dollars (check out our Web site at www.pangea-waste.com).

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Just think about what we could achieve at a school district with 24 schools?

The savings we generate for our clients won't come from funds for instruction or impact any unionized personnel. The money's already been allocated in the school district's 2008-09 budget.

Superintendent Fiegel and school board President Judy Mardigian stated in the article that "every line item" will be looked at, and that they will need "a lot of creativity and a lot of ideas" to help the district improve its fiscal stance.

Well, I'm calling them both out. School districts employ a person called "the business official." This is typically the person who will "bid out" the trash removal programs for all of the schools. The problem is they don't want someone like me to investigate these costs because when we find tens of thousands of dollars in savings, their boss will wonder what the heck they've been doing for the past 20 years?

I know I'm opining here, but the fact is that we've been doing this for over 11 years, and each project has been successful in generating substantial and sustainable savings for our clients.

We're willing to give the school district another shot. They have nothing to lose and savings to gain.

Deal or no deal?

Michael J. Smith
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Progress is difficult

2009 began a new era. The younger generation is elated by political success. Retiring critics believe experienced children will now manage education, budgets, research and world affairs from a feel-good

viewpoint.

Peace and prosperity rarely last long before decadence is overwhelming. Guarantees of income, food and shelter destroy incentives for traditional initiative. Insecurity enhances the struggle to survive.

Science and progress always expand during periods of stress like World War II. Leaders emerge from necessity, not from the promise of beautiful environments.

A new struggle has already begun. Our economy and employment are disastrous. FDR said of the Depression, "I will either be a great president or the last president." Obama faces the same challenge, and politics will not always feel good. According to history, progress will be difficult.

Hank Borgman
Farmington

Keep tax credit

As a film student at Michigan State University, when I heard about the Michigan Filming Incentive, I was intrigued. Let me first start by saying that I've lived in Michigan for 19 years, my whole life. However, throughout the years I've watched Michigan's industrial age economy decline rapidly as my neighbors and friends' parents lost their jobs. When I think of what the future holds for the state of Michigan, the first thing that comes to my mind is students. This is because we're the ones that will be taking over the business world as the baby boomers retire.

I'm sure I'm not the first to tell you that no one is going to want to live in a state where there aren't any jobs for them. Why do you think so many students go to out of state universities, or after attending a Michigan university, they find ample jobs in states like California, Chicago, or New York? There wasn't a reason for us to stay in Michigan.

The Michigan Filming Incentive would give students like me, and any other film, telecommunications, media, marketing, advertising, or theater student a reason to stay in Michigan, buy one of the many foreclosed houses, and start a career here.

Not only does this incentive open up a world of opportunity to students, but think of all the small businesses that benefit from it as well. When a producer is putting together a film, not only does a percentage of the crew come from Michigan, but another percentage is brought in from other film cities. These people need places to stay, restaurants to eat at, and many other necessities and amenities that small Michigan businesses can provide.

In my mind and the mind of many others, including the top Hollywood producers, directors, filmmakers, and agencies, the Michigan Filming Incentive is just a start to a great industry. It's the foundation for something bigger, the opportunity to show the country what Michigan has to offer the most creative minds in the business.

On a more personal note, as a student I need to think about my career and what I can do with it. If the Michigan Filming Incentive doesn't stay in place, and is in fact capped, I wouldn't think twice about leaving this state behind and finding refuge in a place like California, New York, or Chicago.

Please, Ms. Cassis, give students like me a REASON to stay in Michigan.

Danielle Schwartz
Film Studies sophomore
Michigan State University

LETTERS

Climate changes

It has seemed to me that only a few days go by before I run into someone ready to denounce global warming.

I've been around awhile. I can recall the highways and (new) freeways with the dark, thick oil stains down the middle of lanes from "roadway draft tubes," the orange-brown clouds over Detroit, the fishing trips around Zug Island and the sludge clinging to the hull, the days after the October 1973 Yom Kippur War (and OPEC) hearing we would be out of crude by the end of the century if we didn't change our ways; and lines of automobiles wasting fuel, waiting for the chance to buy more.

I still recall the dingy, forever-stained rooftops (and everything else) in Del Ray, all down river the choking stench emitted from the oil refinery along the Dix-Toledo corridor (pre-1-75 days); and washing my Dad's car, watching so much dust falling upon it within an hour (from leaf burning) it seemed hardly worth the effort.

Have some of you so embraced this lifestyle you cannot be concerned with the sacrifices we must make being concerned with the long-term consequences for generations to come? Do you dismiss this as you believe the effects will not occur during your lifetime? You have probably breathed the smog-filled air, and been employed where you were exposed to so many chemicals you may never know how many years of your life you have donated to the cause of making a profit?

I am very suspicious the source the information you have on the declarations you (and others) make.

Millions of dollars have been invested developing emissions controls for our cars, and (because they didn't have the technologies) everyone else's? Corporations spent years striving to comply with unfunded government mandates.

Is it possible we have all been duped? Have we pursued this to such an extent that we actually suspect former Vice President Albert Gore was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize because he doesn't know what he is talking about? I strongly recommend you review his *Inconvenient Truth* documentary and discover as I did that (among several things) CO2 emissions are truly "cyclical" but for only the last century or two! We may never live to see New York or Florida submerged in oceanic fallout, but I am still concerned. Please help stop the conjecture.

R. Burnett
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— Jim Hiller, CEO of Hiller's, explaining why his grocery store chain will no longer sell cigarettes

Lots o' Lincoln

Museum adds pieces to impressive Lincoln exhibit

The newest additions to the Plymouth Historical Museum's Abraham Lincoln collection haven't been seen much in public. Until now.

Museum officials unveiled four new items - including rocking chairs used by Abe and Mary Todd Lincoln - that have been added to what was already the state's largest Lincoln collection at a preview Tuesday evening at the museum.

The collection has added a mahogany parlor table with claw feet and the mantle clock next to which Lincoln was standing when the Republican delegation came to him with the nomination. The rocking chairs are the other part of the coup. "Other than the assassination chair from The Henry Ford, this is second best," Lincoln curator and museum board member Dan Packer



Lincoln memorabilia is on display, with the new items exhibited through Nov. 4.

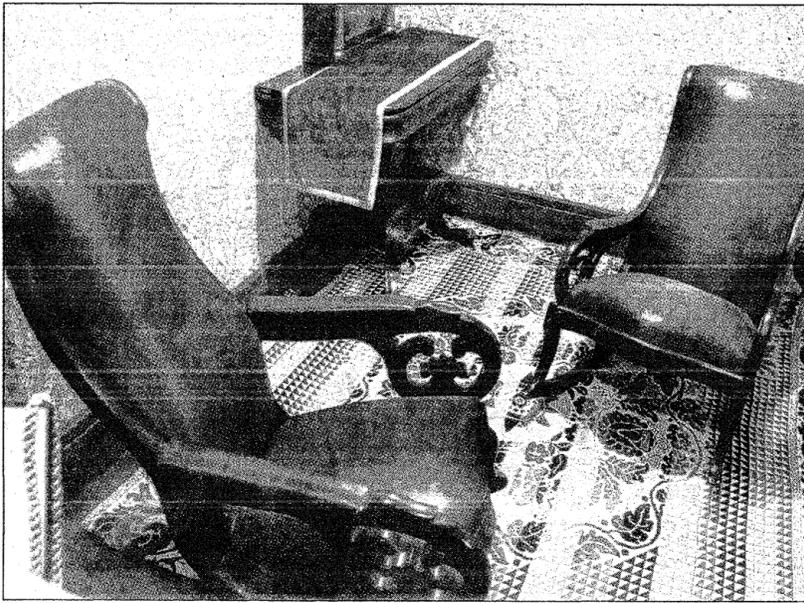
said of the chairs. "Outside of Springfield (Ill.), this museum is on par with major museums around the country when it comes to Lincoln."

The pieces form the cornerstone of the "In the Presence of Lincoln" display at the museum through Nov. 4. The museum is located at the corner of Church and Main in downtown Plymouth.



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Sisters Mary Wilton Darge and Doranne Wilton Bloxom are members of the family that came to own the Lincoln furniture. Their great-great grandfather, U.S. Marshal Harry Wilton, lived across the street from Abraham Lincoln in Springfield. When Lincoln and his family left town the furniture was auctioned. Wilton purchased the furniture and distributed it among his children. The family eventually donated the furniture to The Henry Ford. It's now on loan to the Plymouth Historical Museum. The sisters grew up and went to school in Plymouth and now live in New Hudson.



The Lincoln furniture, including rocking chairs used by Abe and Mary Todd Lincoln, is on display at the Plymouth Historical Museum.



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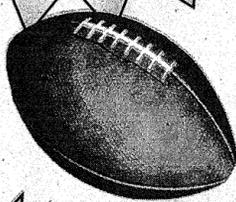
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Up for grabs

Patriots survive late Chiefs rally to post key KLAA win

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The unofficial theme song for Tuesday night's girls basketball clash between Canton and Livonia Franklin was *Let's Get Physical*.

From the opening tip to the final buzzer, bodies collided like demolition derby cars in an ongoing struggle for rebounds, loose balls and all-important positioning.

At game's end, no one would have blamed the Patriots if they were humming *I Will Survive* after they held off a furious Chiefs rally to pull out a 37-34 road victory.

Franklin, which improved to 8-1 overall and 1-0 in the KLAA South Division, won despite scoring just two fourth-quarter points.

Canton's second straight set-back dropped it to 7-2 overall and 0-1 in the division.

"Considering Canton is one of the best teams in the division and we were playing at their place without one of our starters (Seneca Scott), this was a big win," Franklin coach Dave McCall said. "With Seneca out and another girl sick, we had to play with some different combinations tonight, but the girls pulled it out."

The Chiefs trailed 35-24 with eight minutes to play before mounting a defense-led

rally that all but suffocated the Patriots' offense following Amanda Borio's fast-break layup two minutes into the quarter.

Trailing 37-26 with just under six minutes to play, Alyssa Cottrell ignited the Canton rally with a 15-foot jumper.

With 3:15 left, freshman guard Robyn Mack drained a 17-footer to close the gap to 37-30.

The play that epitomized the rough-and-tumble action unfolded with 49 seconds to play when three players — Canton's Kari Schmitt and Franklin's Brittany Taylor and Chelsea Williams — all hit the deck simultaneously for a loose ball.

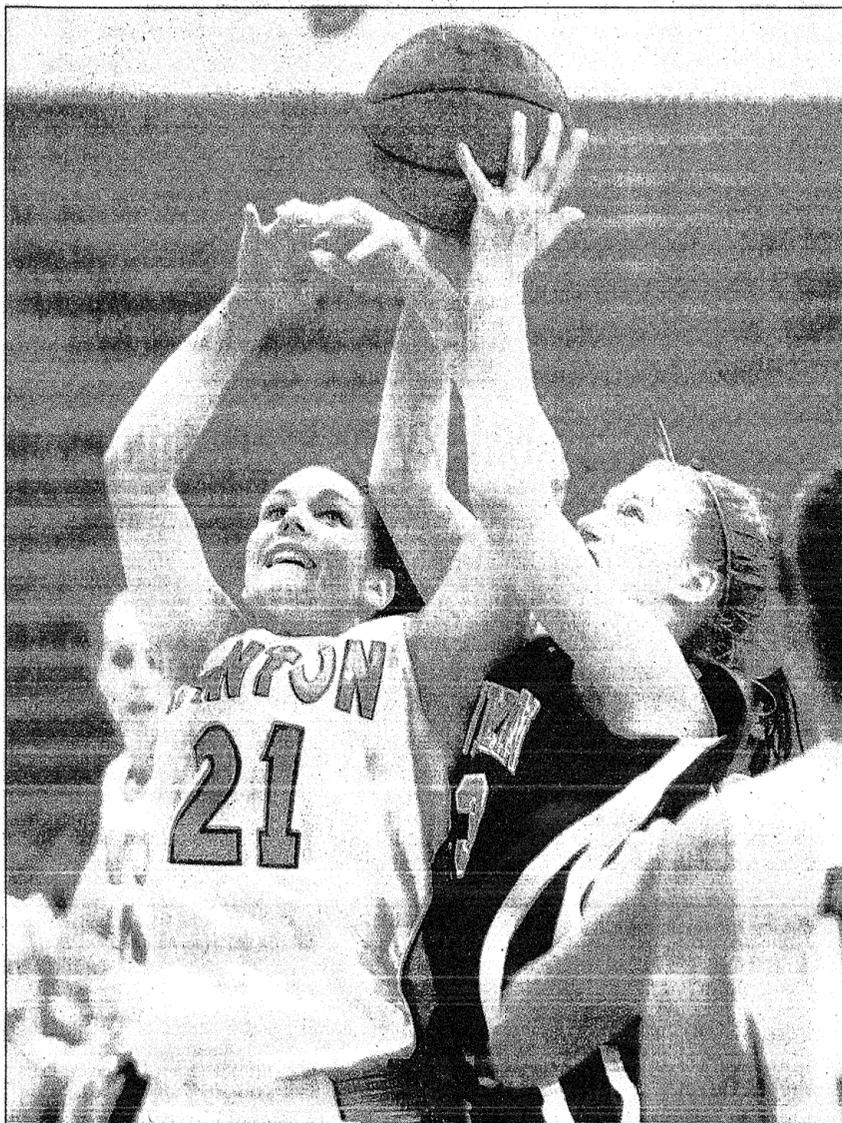
All three players got up slowly, but it was Schmitt who was awarded two free throws, which she calmly sank to bring Canton to within 37-32.

Ten seconds later, following a Canton steal, Schmitt was fouled and swished two more freebies to make it 37-34.

Three turnovers (two by Franklin, one by Canton) and 30 seconds later, Schmitt ended up at the line again.

After missing the first free throw, she purposely tossed the second one off the rim; however, Franklin controlled the rebound to seal the victory.

"It boils down to handling the



BILL-BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Canton's CarolAnn Sexauer (21) and Livonia Franklin's Amanda Borio battle for a rebound during Tuesday night's KLAA South Division contest. The Patriots won, 37-34.

Sidelines

SPARQ challenge

Canton-based Velocity Sports Performance will be holding a Nike SPARQ Challenge at 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, for baseball players age 12 or older.

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To register, call (734) 485-2561 or visit www.velocitysp.com/canton.

Velocity Sports Performance is located at 46615 Michigan Avenue in Canton.

Coaches: Please report results

Local high school athletic coaches are encouraged to report results of their teams' games to *Observer* Sports Editor Ed Wright.

Results can be phone in to Wright at (734) 578-2767 or e-mailed to him at ewright@hometownlife.com.

The deadline for the Thursday edition of the *Observer* is 11 p.m. Tuesday. Sunday's deadline is 11 p.m. Friday.

Olech nets honor

Madonna University forward Kim Olech (Plymouth) was named Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Player of the Week in women's basketball after recording a pair double-doubles as the Crusaders went 1-1.

Olech cored a career-high 20 points and grabbed a career-best 21 rebounds Wednesday in MU's win over Siena Heights and then came back Saturday to drop 13 points and grab a like number of rebounds against No. 24 Aquinas.

Olech extended her double-double streak to four straight and her total for the season to eight.

For the week, she scored 33 points, grabbed 34 rebounds, had seven blocks and two steals while shooting 11-for-12 from the free-throw line.

My link to Obama: pickup basketball

As I write this column on Inauguration Day, I realize I have at least three things in common with Barack Obama and, unfortunately, one of them isn't a degree from an Ivy League university (although I've often heard Central Michigan University referred to as the "Harvard of the Midwest").

We are both 47 years old, left-handed and — most importantly — we have a shared passion for pickup basketball.

As I read a recent *Sports Illustrated* article ("The Audacity of Hoops") that described our newest president's love for the informal but most intense brand of basketball — where there are no coaches, no fans (except the ones attached to the gym ceilings), no refs and often a no-autops/yo-foul understanding between players — I found myself nodding in agreement with the words that described President Obama's favorite recreation-based hobby.

Powerful game

Pickup hoops is an activity that

has the power to turn strangers into friends after just a few trips down the court as mutual respect can be generated with a single pick or one instinctive back-door pass.

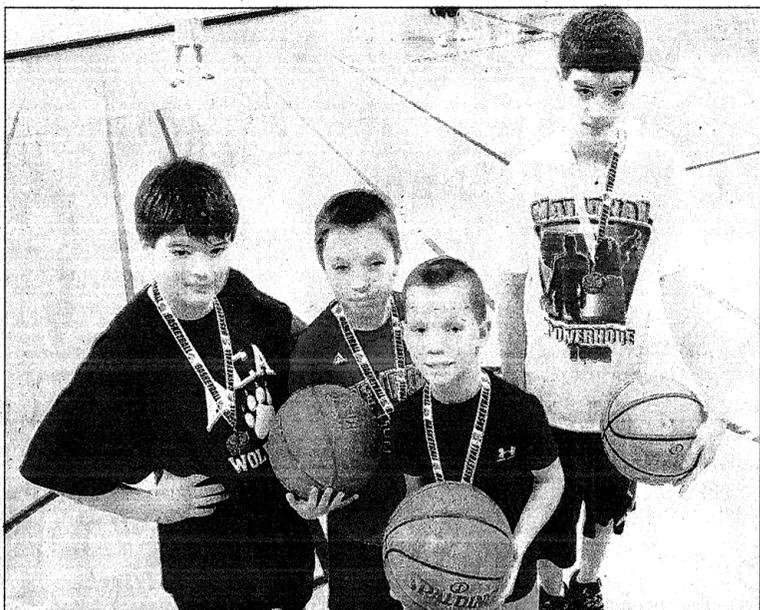
High-fives and fist-bumps are readily exchanged — even though some high-fivers and fist-bumpers met five minutes earlier.

In a cool kind of way, a person's character — good or bad — is often exposed on the pickup basketball court. The cherry-pickers probably cut corners in the real world, too, while the unheralded, in-the-paint "bangers" are the ones most likely to pull over on the freeway to help a senior citizen change a flat tire.

Three magic words

And I'm sure the president and a large majority of my pickup brethren would agree: Three of the sweetest words our ears can soak in during a back-and-forth, no-easy-points game are: "Next basket wins" — especially when the gym is packed and a loss means your team is sitting out the next three games.

Please see **WRIGHT, B4**



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They've got game

Pictured are four of the MRPA Hoop Shoot age-division champions who were crowned following Monday's annual competition at the Summit on the Park. Pictured (left to right) are Mitchell McKenzie (8-9 champ), Nathan Kelly (10-11 champ), Evan Horne and Zach Hardy, who won the 14-15 title. At left, Eleven-year-old Evan Horne focuses on the basket during Monday's MRPA Hoop Shoot competition at the Summit on the Park. Thirty-five youngsters competed in the event, which was hosted by the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association. All first-place finishers advance to regional competition with an opportunity to move on to the state finals. Not pictured is girls winner Sarah Miller.



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200-yard medley relay: 1. Canton (Victor Zhang, Ryan Boes, Jay Jin, Richard Zhang), 1:46.96; 2. Canton, 1:55.45; 3. Churchill, 2:05.44.
200 freestyle: 1. Eddie Koelzer (C), 2:03.83; 2. David Vincentini (L), 2:05.89; 3. Robert Goodwin (C), 2:06.46.
200 IM: 1. Jay Jin (C), 2:07.82; 2. Chris Krebs (C), 2:23.38; 3. Brandon Tolinski (C), 2:25.23.
50 freestyle: 1. Richard Zhang (C), 23.17; 2. Patrick Jenner (C), 24.05; 3. Nate Larsen (L), 24.89.
1-meter diving: 1. Andrew Richards (L), 200.10 points; 2. Matt Figlewicz (C), 193.55; 3. Travis Holt (L), 187.40.
100 butterfly: 1. Richard Zhang (C), 57.06; 2. Brandon Tolinski (C), 1:02.76; 3. Alex Malitsky (C), 1:03.91.
100 freestyle: 1. Victor Zhang (C), 49.74; 2. Nate Larsen (L), 56.27; 3. Evan Champagne (C), 56.44.
500 freestyle: 1. Jordan Gorzalski (C), 5:26.71; 2. David Vincentini (L), 5:35.36; 3. Robert Goodwin (C), 5:49.35.
200 freestyle relay: 1. Churchill (Alex Lamerand, Nate Larsen, Greg Van Gorp, David Vincentini), 1:45.71; 2. Canton, 1:49.91; 3. Churchill, 2:00.79.
100 backstroke: 1. Victor Zhang (C), 56.06; 2. Jay Jin (C), 59.87; 3. Chris Krebs (C), 1:06.50.
100 breaststroke: 1. Ryan Boes (C), 1:11.95; 2. Eric Tian (C), 1:15.84; 3. Jacob Dillon (C), 1:19.12.
400 freestyle relay: 1. Churchill (Nate Larsen, Richard Scully, David Vincentini, Greg Van Gorp), 3:57.17; 2. Canton, 4:12.00; 3. Churchill, 4:19.66.



A Honeybaked title

The Honeybaked hockey team captured the 1994 Birth Year North American Silver Sticks title Jan. 8-11 in Port Huron when it defeated Compuware, 4-3, in the championship game. Thirty-two teams from across the country competed in the four-day tournament. Among the standouts for the winners were Canton's Brandon Hope, a goalie; and Plymouth resident Cameron Yarwood. Pictured (front row from left) are Christian Lampasso, Brandon Hope, Sheldon Dries, Vincent Brophy, Nick Schilkey, (second row from left) Trevor Cope, Nolan Gluchowski, Connor Wood, Cameron Yarwood, Max Iafrate, (third row from left) Mitch Wedding, Bryan Yim, (fourth row from left) Joshua Henke, Alex Archibald, BJ Kolcz, Jess Young, (back row from left) Aaron Soave and Ben Israel. Not pictured is Grant Webermin.

Penguins play well in 3 setbacks

Unfortunately for the Plymouth-Canton-Salem girls hockey team, the flu season has coincided with one of the toughest portions of their schedule the past 10 days.

As a result, the Penguins dropped three straight contests — two of them nip-and-tuck battles — to drop to 1-11 on the season.

"We've actually played pretty well lately, but we've had a lot of illness and injuries, so we've been less than 100 percent," said PCS coach Lori Callahan.

Last Friday, the Penguins dropped an 8-0 mercy rule-shortened decision to Ann Arbor, which never looked back after tallying six first-period goals.

On Jan. 13, the Penguins fell to host Cranbrook-Kingswood, 4-1.

PCS jumped ahead 1-0 49 seconds into the game when Amanda Heisler scored off assists from Jenny Fedon and Rebecca Majszak, but the Penguins were unable to put together much offense the remaining 44 minutes.

Callahan praised the play of freshman goal-tender Emily Bullock.

"She kept us in the game," said Callahan, whose team trailed just 2-1 with 15 minutes to play.

On Jan. 9, the Penguins dropped a heart-breaking 3-2 setback at University Liggett.

The hosts broke a 2-all draw with a goal with 18.6 seconds left.

With her team trailing 2-0 in the third, Heisler netted a pair of unassisted goals. Bullock sparked again between the pipes for PCS, which is idle until Jan. 28.

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Galaxy of stars shines in Chiefs' win

BY ED WRIGHT
 OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Picking an MVP for Tuesday night's 58-51 comeback victory over host Livonia Franklin was almost as difficult as picking the winning numbers in that night's Mega Millions lottery game for Canton coach Dan Colligan.

There were too many candidates to choose from. "We received key contributions from a lot of players, especially in the fourth quarter," said Colligan, whose team improved to 4-3 overall and 1-0 in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association's South Division.

"Dan Stoney and Sherif Hassanien both hit big threes in the fourth quarter, Kevin Weisz went 6-for-6 from the free throw line, Kyle Biega hit two big free throws and Dietrich Lever didn't have a turnover even though he was controlling the ball most of the time."

Weisz, a junior reserve forward, led the Chiefs with 13 points while Lever recorded 11.

BOYS PREP HOOP

Hassanien, Stoney and Brandon Duffey netted seven points a piece.

Jeff Poole and Connor Leidal both scored 14 points to lead the Patriots.

Canton forged a 23-18 half-time lead before the resurgent Pats stormed back to seize a 38-35 advantage with eight minutes to play.

"Kierre Daniels and Brandon Duffey did a great job defensively on Poole," said Colligan. "He had 14 points, but he had to work for them."

The Chiefs were stellar from the stripe, nailing 19 of 23 attempts. Franklin hit 11 of 17 freebies.

JOHN GLENN 65, PLYMOUTH 50: On Tuesday in Westland, the Rockets scored 40 points in transition and drained eight of nine free throws to hold off the Wildcats in the KLA South Division opener for both squads. The Rockets improved to 5-1

overall while the 'Cats slipped to 4-3.

"They forced us to run our offense too far from the basket and we didn't cash in on a lot of the layups we did get," lamented Plymouth coach Tom Van Wagoner. "Our transition defense wasn't good either."

Austin Anderson enjoyed a break-out performance for the Rockets, torching the Wildcats for 26 points. Anderson swished a trio of first-half triples.

Jon Swagerty also played well for Glenn, netting 10 points.

Senior guard Cliff Buttermore paced Plymouth with 12 points, nine the result of three threes.

Sophomore forward Justin Moss added 11 points while Marquee Taylor chipped in with eight off the bench.

The Rockets led 11-8 after one quarter, 30-23 at the half and 43-33 with eight minutes to play.

Plymouth didn't help itself at the charity stripe, sinking just nine of 21 attempts.

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This Sunday in... **Observer & Eccentric** and **Mirror** NEWSPAPERS

Davis shines in Rocks'

39-30 win over Mustangs

Salem's girls basketball team used a strong fourth-quarter effort to pull away from Northville, 39-30, Tuesday night in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association Central Division contest for both teams.

The Rocks improved to 3-6 overall while the Mustangs dropped to 4-5.

Senior forward Chelsea Davis paced the winners with 18 points, nine rebounds and seven blocks.

"Chelsea's really been coming around the past week," said Salem coach Fred Thomann. "She came up big at the line in the fourth quarter for us, making six of eight."

Junior guard Sara Stone added eight points for Salem while Tracy Whalen contributed six. All four of Victoria Brotz's points came in the pivotal fourth quarter when Salem outscored Northville, 14-9.

"Rachel Norman didn't score for us, but she came in when Brett de Bear fouled out early in the fourth quarter and really did a nice job," Thomann said.

Chelsea Atzinger led Northville with 14 points. Julia Ramey also played well, netting 11.

Salem led 9-6 after one quarter, 16-13 at the break



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Plymouth's Megan Quinlan, pictured during a game earlier this season, netted five points in the Wildcats' impressive victory over Westland John Glenn Tuesday night.

and 25-21 with eight minutes to play.

The Rocks ruled the paint, blocking 12 Mustang shots.

PLYMOUTH 46, JOHN GLENN 30: On Tuesday at Plymouth, the Wildcats won their KLASA South opener thanks in large part to Kelsi Robinson's 15 points. Shaakira Haywood (10

GIRLS PREP HOOP

points) and Megan Quinlan (five) also excelled for the triumphant 'Cats.

Nyah McReynolds led the Rockets with 10 points. Brittany Holbrook registered seven.

DETROIT COMMUNITY 54, SALEM 32: On Saturday at Community, the hosts prevailed in a game that was much closer than the final score would indicate.

The unbeaten and state-ranked Hurricanes, who finished runner-up in the state in Class B last spring, led just 22-18 at the half and 32-23 with eight minutes to play.

"With four minutes to go, we were only down nine and they went on a run," said Salem coach Fred Thomann. "I was very pleased with how the girls played. They played very hard. It looks like we may be turning the corner."

The loss dropped the Rocks to 2-6 heading into this week's first week of crucial Kensington Lakes Activities Association divisional play.

Senior forward Chelsea Davis led the Rocks against Community with nine points and eight rebounds.

Junior guard Brett de Bear added eight points while Victoria Brotz chipped in with seven.

HOOPS

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ball under pressure, taking care of the ball, making our shots and defending at the other end," Canton coach Brian Samulski said. "I thought we attacked their defense well, but we have to shoot with more confidence."

"I didn't like the way we defended in the first half, giving up 25 points, but we did a lot better job in the second when

they only scored 12."

On a night solid statistics were hard to come by, Franklin's Brianna Taylor registered a double-double (11 points and 10 rebounds). Brittany Taylor and Amanda Borio both added eight points for the winners, who won in spite of 23 turnovers.

Kari Schmitt led the Chiefs with 10 points — eight of which came from her 8-of-10 marksmanship from the foul line. CarolAnn Sexauer added eight points (all in the first half) for

the Chiefs, while Mack chipped in with six. Sexauer yanked down a team-high eight boards.

Canton struggled from the field, hitting just 12-of-47 shots (27 percent). The Chiefs were particularly frigid in the third quarter, when they connected on just 2-of-18 shots.

The Chiefs were better from the line, where they went 10-for-16.

Franklin made 17-of-36 field goals and 3-of-7 free throws.

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PLANT PROTECTANTS & FERTILIZERS

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

TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

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To all residents and other interested parties: Agenda's and Minutes for the Township of Plymouth Board of Trustee Meetings scheduled for January 20, February 17, March 10 & 24, April 21, May 12 & 26 and June 9 & 23 are available for review under the Reference Desk Page of the Township Website: www.plymouthtwp.org.

Minutes and agenda's are also posted in the Clerk's Office at Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, for public perusal.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

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- Demonstrate successful project management on previous projects.
- Coordinate and apply for necessary permits.
- Prepare bid documents and specifications.
- Construction management, administration and inspection.

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Terry Bennett, Clerk

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Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings-January 13, 2009

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, January 13, 2009, at 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan. Supervisor LaJoy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. **Roll Call** Members Present: Anthony, Bennett, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Taj, Williams. Members Absent: Caccamo. Staff Present: Executive Director Santomauro, Director Eva, Director Conklin, Director Faas, Dave Medley. **Adoption of Agenda** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by all members present. **Approval of Minutes** Motion by Bennett, supported by Taj to approve the Board Minutes of December 9, 2008. Motion carried by all members present. **Payment of Bills** Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Anthony to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried by all members present. **1. RECOGNITION OF TONY CALDERONI FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE MERIT COMMISSION.** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt the resolution recognizing the service of Tony Calderoni for his role as a Merit Commissioner. Motion carried by all members present. **CONSENT CALENDAR: Item 1. CONSIDER REAPPOINTMENTS TO FIRE BOARD OF REVIEW.** (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to re-appoint William Fishback and David Klim to the Fire Board of Appeals, terms to expire October 10, 2012. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 2. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP CLERK TO SIGN THE ANNUAL MDOT PERMIT AND PERFORMANCE RESOLUTION FOR 2009.** (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to authorize the Township Clerk as the designated officer to execute the 2009 Annual Permit for Underground Utility Operations within the Michigan Department of Transportation right-of-way. Furthermore, I move to authorize the Township Clerk to certify the Performance Resolution for Governmental Agencies. Motion carried by all members present. **GENERAL CALENDAR: Item 1. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP CLERK TO SIGN THE INTER-AGENCY AGREEMENT WITH WAYNE COUNTY FOR THE ROUND 9 DETENTION BASIN ENHANCEMENT GRANTS.** (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to authorize the Township Clerk to sign the Inter-Agency Agreement with Wayne County for the Pheasant Run Golf Club Detention Basin Enhancements. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 2. SALT PURCHASE FOR 2009 WINTER SEASON.** (CLS) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve purchase of bulk salt from Wayne County, Division of Roads, 29900 Goddard Road, Detroit, MI 48242 in the amount not to exceed \$30,000. Funds to be taken from the following accounts: 101-270-79.930.0070 (Administrative-Heritage Park-Grounds Maintenance) for \$4,000, 101-270-83.930.0070 (Administrative-Freedom Park-Grounds Maintenance) for \$500, 101-270-84.930.0070 (Administrative-Summit-Grounds Maintenance) for \$2,000, 101-270-81.930.0070 (Administrative-Flodin Park-Grounds Maintenance) for \$500, 101-270-85.930.0070 (Administrative-Griffin Park-Grounds Maintenance) for \$1,000, 101-270-87.930.0070 (Administrative-Victory Park-Grounds Maintenance) for \$2,500, 101-270-88.930.0070 (Administrative-Other Sites-Grounds Maintenance) for \$19,000. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 3. RENEW OAKLAND FUEL CONTRACT FOR PARKS AND GOLF MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS.** (CLS) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the purchase of unleaded gas and diesel fuel for the Parks and Pheasant Run Golf Club operations to Oakland Fuels, 3943 Airport Rd., Waterford, MI 48329 in the amount of \$110,000. Funds to be taken from the Parks budget account #101-270-50.860/Transportation for \$75,000, and the Pheasant Run Golf Club budget account #584-756-75.860/Transportation for \$35,000. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 4. AWARD CONTRACT FOR SEPTIC TANK REPLACEMENT.** (FBD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the contract for emergency septic tank replacement at a residence on Denton Road to Al Pearson & Son Septic Tank Cleaning Co., Inc. in the amount of \$21,243 plus a 10 percent contingency of \$2,124, for a purchase order total of \$23,367 (CDBG Affordable Housing Contingency, Account #274-666.970.0070). Motion carried by all members present. **Item 5. AWARD 11 HOUSING REHABILITATION CONTRACTS.** (FBD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the contract for a housing rehabilitation on Cather to Trinity General Building Co. in the amount of \$12,102 plus a 10 percent contingency of \$1,210 for a purchase order total of \$13,312 (Affordable Housing Contingency #274-666.970.0070). Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the contract for a housing rehabilitation on Edmunton to Trinity General Building Co. in the amount of \$13,557 plus a 10 percent contingency of \$1,355 for a purchase order total of \$14,912 (Affordable Housing Contingency #274-666.970.0070). Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the contract for a housing rehabilitation on Hannan to Trinity General Building Co. in the amount of \$22,158 plus a 10 percent contingency of \$2,215 for a purchase order total of \$24,373 (Affordable Housing Contingency #274-666.970.0070). Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the contract for a housing rehabilitation on Buckingham to Trinity General Building Co. in the amount of \$13,983 plus a 10 percent contingency of \$1,398 for a purchase order total of \$15,381 (Affordable Housing Contingency #274-666.970.0070). Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the contract for a housing rehabilitation on Old Michigan Avenue (#1) to Trinity General Building Co. for \$4,975 (Affordable Housing Contingency #274-666.970.0070). Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the contract for a housing rehabilitation on Quaker Hill to Rambaldi Building Co. in the amount of \$7,690 plus a 10 percent contingency of \$769 for a purchase order total of \$8,459 (Affordable Housing Contingency #274-666.970.0070). Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the contract for a housing rehabilitation on Greenwood to Rambaldi Building Co. in the amount of \$6,799 plus a 10 percent contingency of \$679 for a purchase order total of \$7,478 (Affordable Housing Contingency #274-666.970.0070). Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the contract for a housing rehabilitation on Argonne Court to Rambaldi Building Co. in the amount of \$4,178 plus a 10 percent contingency of \$417 for a purchase order total of \$4,595 (Affordable Housing Contingency #274-666.970.0070). Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the contract for a housing rehabilitation on Old Michigan Avenue (#2) to Rambaldi Building Co. in the amount of \$4,744 (Affordable Housing Contingency #274-666.970.0070). Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the contract for a housing rehabilitation on Applewood to ABC's Carpentry in the amount of \$4,820 plus a 10 percent contingency of \$482 for a purchase order total of \$5,302 (Affordable Housing Contingency #274-666.970.0070). Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the contract for a housing rehabilitation on Brandywine to Reflections Building Co. in the amount of \$8,884 plus a 10 percent contingency of \$888 for a purchase order total of \$9,772 (Affordable Housing Contingency #274-666.970.0070). Motion carried by all members present. **Item 6. APPROVE THE GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE DNR FOR PEDESTRIAN BRIDGES ON LOWER ROUGE RIVER RECREATION TRAIL, INCLUDING AN AMENDED BUDGET.** (FBD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt the resolution to approve the grant agreement with the DNR for Pedestrian Bridges on Lower Rouge River Recreation Trail, including an amended Budget. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the following budget amendment to the 2009 Community Improvement Fund budget. Increase Revenues: Community Improvement #246-000.695 \$350,000 Fund Balance - Fund Balance Appropriation Increase Appropriations: Capital Outlay-Land #246-750.970.0080 \$350,000, Improvements The budget amendment increases the Community Improvement budget from \$2,332,501 to \$2,682,501. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 7. CONSIDER PURCHASE OF PATROL IN-CAR PRINTERS.** (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to waive the bidding and purchase 28 Zebra RW420 Printers, associated hardware, paper and 3-yr warranty in-car printers for patrol vehicles through a State bid from Advanced Public Safety, 500 Fairway Dr. Ste #204, Deerfield, FL 33441 in the amount of \$23,642.08. Funding to come from Police Capital Outlay Computer Equipment account # 207 301 50.970.0010. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 8. CONSIDER PURCHASE OF 5-PATROL MOTOROLA MW810 LAPTOP COMPUTERS.** (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to waive the bidding and purchase five (5) Motorola laptop MW810 workstations through a State bid from Motorola, 1309 E. Algonquin, Schaumburg, IL 60196 in the amount of \$25,975. Funding to come from Police Capital Outlay Computer Equipment account # 207 301 50.970.0010. Motion carried by all members present. Other: Supervisor LaJoy stated there will be a Board Leadership meeting on Saturday January 17, 2009 at 8:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn Express on Michigan Avenue. Supervisor LaJoy stated there will be a Board Study Session on January 20, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, First Floor, Board Room, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan. **ADJOURN:** Motion by Williams, supported by Taj to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. Motion carried by all members present. - Phil LaJoy, 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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Ignition vaults to first in XSL

With a dominant 24-14 win over their rivals, the Detroit Ignition took sole position of first place in the Xtreme Soccer League Sunday afternoon at Compuware Arena.

The Ignition's offense was firing on all cylinders as seven different players scored against the visiting Milwaukee Wave.

The victory improved Detroit to 4-2 while the Wave dropped to 4-3.

Detroit wasted no time getting on the scoreboard as the team posted a 6-0 lead in the first quarter with goals from Vahid Assadpour, Drew Ducker and Leo Gibson.

The game's second stanza saw the Wave notch five points, three of which came off the foot of defender J.P. Rodrigues with his third three-point goal of the season.

Detroit was able to secure its lead as it took a 10-5 advantage into halftime thanks to goals from Gibson and Miki Djerisilo.

The two teams traded goals in the third quarter, but Milwaukee's momentum slowed with a three-point dagger from Ignition defender Nate Craft.

The Ignition kept on running as the game came to a close, as Drew Crawford, Worth Sampson and Tino Scicluna netted seven points between them to cap the scoring.

The Ignition returns to action Sunday when it hosts the New Jersey Ironmen (3-3) at 4:35 p.m. at Compuware Arena.

WRIGHT

FROM PAGE B1

And minor discretions in pickup ball — an ill-advised three or a way-off-target no-look pass — are quickly forgiven with a simple two-word admission: "My bad."

The early years

My pickup hoop days began on the basketball-loving streets of southwest Lansing in the early '70s, when my dad had a 20-foot-by-20-foot court installed in our backyard.

Once the last square inch of cement dried, I instantly became the most popular kid in my neighborhood.

Other than the fact he was a great guy and he wanted to do something nice for his son, my dad's motive was clear-cut in my mind: He didn't want me wasting my afternoons indoors playing "Pong."

Nearly every day after school, the court served as a meeting place for myself and 10 to 12 buddies. We quickly picked teams and played three-on-three tournaments until our moms called us in for dinner.

Nothing stopped us

In the winter, when it snowed, we formed shovel brigades, meticulously cleared the court, then played through the flakes and wind.

Our non-hooping mothers probably wondered why we weren't nearly as diligent when it came to cleaning our bedrooms.

And in the summer, when it was 90 degrees — well, I can't lie — we went inside and played "Pong" — at least until it cooled off.

On Monday nights in the fall,

while our dads played euchre and our moms bowled, my cousin Danny and I flipped on the far-from-illuminating back-porch light and played one-on-one by twos up to 100. The pride-filled games usually came down to the last shot.

Magic-al times

During my teen-age years, I was blessed to have the opportunity to play on the same black-topped, netless outdoor Dwight Rich Middle School courts Earvin "Magic" Johnson had dominated just a few years earlier.

After college, my pickup hoops experience graduated to annual Gus Macker tournaments and in Canton-area gyms and playgrounds, where I've met some great, life-long friends.

My current hoop regimen is limited to driveway contests with my 18-year-old and 8-year-old sons, and twice-a-week lunch-time runs with a great group of 40-and-over guys who have labeled their pickup league "Fossil Basketball." (Allegedly, some of the "Fossil" players were around when Dr. James Naismith hung his first peach basket, but those rumors have not yet been confirmed.)

Ultimately, when my number is up and it's time to elevate to the golden gym floor in the sky, I hope I go out like my all-time favorite player Pete Maravich, whose final heartbeat came while playing in a pickup basketball game.

My only condition: It happens in an 85-and-over league.

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Series of Canton pins ties up Salem

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

An early-match avalanche of Canton pins proved to be too much for Salem's wrestling team to dig out from Jan. 14 in a cross-campus dual meet in the Rocks' gym.

After Salem's Nick Kim opened the match with a 9-3 triumph over Canton's Daniel Filippelli in the 103-pound showdown, the Chiefs chalked up pins in six of the next seven matches to build a sturdy foundation for their 43-27 victory.

"I thought we were really good 112 through 160," said first-year Canton coach Cory Mancuso. "We won the matches we were sup-

posed to win — the ones we knew we were going to win. Everybody else lost, and some got pinned, which is not good enough."

"Salem is getting better every year. They're very tough in the upper weights and at 103."

Canton's lead swelled to 43-6 after the Chiefs' Keith Zech edged Colin Gross, 7-5, in the 160-pound matcher.

Despite the hefty deficit, the Rocks persevered, winning three of the final four matches — two on pins by Austin Root (189) and Sam Lepper (215).

Canton junior Donnie Watkins remained unbeaten for the season with a 38-second pin at 135.

- CANTON 43 SALEM 27**
Wednesday at Salem
- 103 pounds:** Nick Kim (S) decisively Daniel Filippelli, 9-3;
 - 112:** Waleed Faraj (C) pinned Devan Stratton in 4:57;
 - 119:** Carl Lucke (C) pinned Ian Phillips, in 1:59;
 - 125:** Mitch Wolski (C) pinned John Bills in 3:06;
 - 130:** Jeremy Filippelli (C) pinned Kyle Middleditch in 1:34;
 - 135:** Donnie Watkins (C) pinned Jacob McKabo in 38 seconds;
 - 140:** James Middleditch (S) dec. Ryan Terrell, 10-5;
 - 145:** Brent Winekoff (C) pinned Dillon Hatcher in 45 seconds;
 - 152:** Anthony Abro (C) dec. Robbie Schultz, 11-7;
 - 160:** Keith Zech (C) dec. Colin Gross, 7-5;
 - 171:** Adam Turner (S) dec. Austin Mach, 7-4;
 - 189:** Austin Root (S) pinned Patrick Durocher in 29 seconds;
 - 215:** Sam Lepper (S) pinned Tyler Bourcier in 1:47;
 - 285:** Blake Abbey (S) pinned Julius Malvux in 1:34.

Hackett-led Whalers silence Owen Sound, 5-0

Matt Hackett stopped 37 shots, Matt Caria scored a goal and added three assists and Chris Terry scored twice as the Plymouth Whalers defeated the Owen Sound Attack, 5-0, in an Ontario Hockey League game played Saturday night at Compuware Arena.

Ryan Hayes and Tyler G. Brown added single goals for the Whalers, who won their third straight game while moving to a season-best record 21-19-4-0. Owen Sound is now 16-18-6-4.

Give Plymouth head coach Mike Vellucci an assist as well. When center AJ Jenks received a game misconduct 11 seconds into the game for the second

fight in the same sequence, Vellucci mixed his lines around seamlessly, moving Tyler G. Brown on the line with Caria and Terry, and shifting Tyler Seguin (who had been playing with Caria and Terry) on a line with Hayes and Tyler J. Brown.

The result? Both lines played well with no loss of efficiency.

After Terry opened the scoring with his team-leading 21st goal of the season at 6:17 of the first period with a shot from the right circle, Hayes scored at the left lip of the Owen Sound crease at 15:18 when Tyler J. Brown intercepted an Attack clearing pass along the right boards in the Owen Sound zone, skated to the right circle and fed

a cross-ice pass to Hayes, who one-timed the puck past Owen Sound goaltender Scott Stajcer.

Hackett's best work came in the second period when Owen Sound outshot Plymouth, 17-5, but Hackett made all the saves. He got help from the video goal judge midway through the period when it appeared that Josh Ocampo stuffed the puck into the Plymouth goal at the left goal post. But after a lengthy review, the goal was waved off.

Meanwhile, Terry scored the only goal of the period at 7:38 when he accepted Caria's pass in front of the Owen Sound goal, switched forehand to backhand and stuffed the puck past Stajcer.

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Chief gymnasts 4th at Farmington Invite

The Canton gymnastics team continued its string of strong early-season efforts Saturday by placing fourth in the 13-team Farmington Invitational.

The Chiefs compiled 140.50 points, six less than first-place Livonia Blue. Farmington (145.775) and Northville (144.50) filled out the top four spots.

"I thought the girls performed very well," said Canton coach John Cunningham. "We were a little hurt, a little sick with strep throat and bruised toes, so considering that I was very

pleased." The Chiefs were led by sophomore sensation Robyn Piwowar, who placed third in the all-around with 37.15 points. Piwowar finished fifth on the vault (9.2), 10th on the bars (8.75), third on the beam (9.65) and fifth in the floor-exercise competition (9.55).

Also excelling for the Chiefs' "A" team were Brittany Granowicz, who placed 10th in the all-around with 32.75 points; and Cathy Huang, whose seventh-place all-around placement was highlighted by a third-

place showing on the bars (9.25) and seventh on the floor (9.45).

Mallory Hudak finished seventh all-around in Division 2 with 33.65 points.

Cunningham also praised the efforts of Kathy Marion and Lauren Martin.

Salem's Katie Koetting enjoyed a spectacular afternoon, placing second in the all-around with a score of 37.50.

Koetting tied for first on the floor with a 9.7. She also turned in top-seven performances on the vault (9.1), bars (9.1) and beam (9.4).

GYMNASTICS RESULTS

FARMINGTON INVITATIONAL GIRLS GYMNASICS MEET
Jan. 18 at Maxfield Training Center
TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Livonia Blue, 146.625 points; 2. Farmington (A), 145.775; 3. Northville, 144.50; 4. Canton, 140.50; 5. Livonia Red, 138.72.

DIVISION 1 RESULTS
All-around: 1. (tie) Elana Cocks (Farm. A) and Makenna Pohl (N), 37.40 each; 3. Katie Koetting (Salem), 37.30; 4. (tie) Robyn Piwowar (Canton A) and Chloe Presley (N'ville), 37.15 each; 6. Meghan Powers (Blue), 36.95; 7. Emily Quint (Blue), 36.45.
Floor exercise: 1. (tie) Cocks (Farm. A) and Koetting (Salem), 9.7 each; 3. Quint (Blue), 9.65; 4. Presley (N'ville), 9.6; 5. Hannah Grow (Forest Hills), 9.575; 6. (tie) Pohl (N'ville) and Piwowar (Canton A), 9.55 each.
Balance beam: 1. Powers (Blue), 9.75; 2. Cocks (Farm. A), 9.7; 3. Piwowar (Canton A), 9.65; 4. Pohl (N), 9.5; 5. (tie) Koetting (Salem) and Paula Guzik (Livonia Red), 9.4 each.
Uneven bars: 1. Guzik (Red), 9.55; 2. Presley (N'ville), 9.3; 3. Cathy Huang

(Canton A), 9.25; 4. Alyssa Bresso (Farm. A), 9.15; 5. Koetting (Salem), 9.1.
Vault: 1. Quint (Blue), 9.45; 2. Pohl (N'ville), 9.4; 3. (tie) Kelly Charniga (Blue) and Taylor Meredith (WLC), 9.35 each; 4. Bresso (Farm. A), 9.25; 5. Brittany Janis (Blue) and Piwowar (Canton A), 9.2 each.

DIVISION 2 RESULTS
All-around: 1. Laura Nomura (Blue), 37.375; 2. Hannah Saarienen (WLN), 35.30; 3. Elissa Martinez (Forest Hills), 34.90; 4. Nicole Jacobs (Salem), 34.60; 5. Amanda Lumley (Farm. B), 34.10.
Floor exercise: 1. Nomura (Blue), 9.575; 2. Lumley (Farm. B), 9.4; 3. Mallory Hudak (Canton A), 9.1; 4. Saarienen (WLN), 9.05; 5. (tie) Jacobs (Salem) and Julie Davison (N'ville), 9.0 each.
Balance beam: 1. Nomura (Blue), 9.4; 2. Jacobs (Salem), 9.35; 3. Amy Reynolds (N'ville), 9.25; 4. Lauren Martin (Canton B), 8.95; 5. Saarienen (WLN) and Jessica Makowicz (Fraser), 8.8 each.
Uneven bars: 1. Martinez (Forest Hills), 8.95; 2. Nomura (Blue), 8.9; 3. Reynolds (N'ville), 8.55; 4. Erica Marco (Farm. B), 8.5; 5. Saarienen (WLN), 8.4.

Vault: 1. Nomura (Blue), 9.5; 2. Saarienen (WLN), 9.05; 3. Jacobs (Salem), 8.95; 4. Amanda Lumley (Farm. B), 8.95; 5. Lena Schneewind (Farm. A), 8.9.

DUAL MATCH RESULTS
Jan. 13 at Livonia Churchill H.S.
TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Howell, 140.45; 2. Brighton, 137.05 points; 3. Livonia Red, 134.80; 4. Hartland, 32.10.

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS
Vault: 1. Monica Cauley (H), 9.2; Courtney Schippers (H), 8.9; 3. Marina Moretti (B), 8.8; 4. (tie) Courtney Simpson (Red) and Brittany Swazey (Red), 8.65 each.
Uneven bars: 1. Paula Guzik (Red), 9.2; 2. Amanda Rohkohl (H), 9.0; 3. (tie) Meredith Robinson (B) and Cauley (H), 8.5 each; 5. Schippers (H), 8.4.
Balance beam: 1. Cauley (H), 9.5; 2. Tiffany Wysocki (B), 9.3; 3. (tie) Guzik (Red) and Rohkohl (H), 9.25 each; 5. Robinson (B), 9.0.
Floor exercise: 1. Cauley (H), 9.6; 2. Moretti (B), 9.5; 3. Rohkohl (H), 9.35; 4. Wysocki (B), 9.15; Robinson (B), 8.75.
All-around: 1. Cauley (H), 36.80; 2. Rohkohl (H), 36.15; 3. Wysocki (B), 35.30; 4. Moretti (B), 34.85; 5. Robinson (B), 34.70.

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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, 615 W. Lafayette-second level, Detroit, MI 48226, Attn: Linda Chomin. Deadline for an announcement to appear in the Thursday edition is noon Monday.

JANUARY

Clothing bank
Free clothing (men, women and children) for those in need 10 a.m. to noon on the fourth Saturday of each month (Jan. 24), at Canton Christian Fellowship Clothing Bank, 8775 Ronda Drive, south of Joy between Haggerty and Lilliey. For information, call (734) 404-2480, visit www.CantonCF.org or send e-mail to info@cantoncf.org.

Open house
Curriculum fair and open house for families interested in 2009-2010 school year enrollment 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 25, at St. Mary Catholic School (K-8), 34516 Michigan Ave. near Wayne Road, Wayne. Guided tours offered. For more information, call (734) 721-1240.

New worship schedule
Sunday Worship at 8 a.m., Faith Forum at 9 a.m., Worship and Sunday School 10 a.m. Wednesday Worship at 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 427-1414.

Time change
Worship is 9:30 a.m. Sunday, at Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile, west of Middlebelt, Livonia. Learning hour is at 8:15 a.m. for all ages. For more information, visit www.livonfaith.org.

Special needs Bible class
Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Livonia invites adults with developmental disabilities and special needs to attend a new Open Arms Bible Class at the church, 34567 Seven Mile, between Farmington and Newburgh roads, Livonia. The class will include songs, Bible lessons, crafts and activities, prayer, snacks and fun. Contact Judy Cook at Emmanuel, (248) 442-8822 or e-mail to elc-ed@arounddetroit.biz.

ENDOW
■ St. Michael the Archangel Parish of Livonia will host 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. Course VI, called "Salvifici Doloris" addresses the Christian meaning of suffering. Based on the writing of Pope John Paul II, this is a new addition to the ENDOW curriculum and available 9:30-11:15 a.m. Tuesdays, in the convent meeting room. The class began Jan. 13. Based on Pope John Paul II's "Mulieris Dignitatem" (On the Dignity and Vocation of Women), the Course II group, will meet 7-8:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Thursdays beginning Jan. 22, in the convent meeting room behind the rectory, 11441 Hubbard, south of Plymouth Road, Livonia. Women of all ages and faiths are welcome. There is a \$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. Aidan Catholic Church also

offers ENDOW. The eight-session course will focus on the ideas about human beings and God that St. Thomas Aquinas explores in his work Summa Theologiae, 7-9 p.m., Thursdays, through March 5, in the parish office conference room at the church, 17500 Farmington Road, north of Six Mile, Livonia. Cost is \$60 for materials. Registration required. Visit www.endowonline.com or call (734) 425-5950. Facilitator is Michele Schmidt at (734) 367-0353 or mtschmid@sbcglobal.net.

Child psychologist to speak
Well-known clinical child psychologist, Dr. Ray Guarendi, speaks about the challenges of Christian parenting 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 27, in the school at St. Michael the Archangel Parish, 111441 Hubbard, south of Plymouth Road, Livonia. Guarendi, who is the father of 10 adopted children, has worked as a clinical psychologist with school districts, Head Start programs, mental health centers, substance abuse programs, juvenile courts, and in private practice and brings a wealth of hands-on experience to his presentation. He is heard regularly on EWTN's "Catholic Answers Live" and hosts a weekday call-in program, The Doctor Is In, on Ave Marie radio out of Ann Arbor. His books include "You're a Better Parent Than You Think" (now in its 25th printing), "Back to the Family," and his newest offering, "Good Discipline, Great Teens." No reservations necessary, all are welcome. For more information, call (734) 261-1455 or visit www.livoniastmichael.org.

Couples prayer series
7-9 p.m. Wednesday, through Feb. 18, at St. Aidan Catholic Church in Livonia. Cost is \$55 per couple. Those unable to pay because of financial difficulty may register and join the group. To register, visit www.coupleprayer.org or send e-mail to davidjconrad@staidanlivonia.org. The six-week Couples Prayer Series is for married or engaged couples, and designed to nurture a life-long pattern of sharing daily prayer together.

UPCOMING

Special needs dance
Emmanuel Lutheran Church and their Open Arms Ministry is hosting a Valentine's Dance for adults with special needs, developmental disabilities, and their caregivers 6:30-8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13, at the church 34567 Seven Mile, between Farmington and Newburgh roads, Livonia. Snacks will be served. Reservations required as space is limited. If you plan to join us, contact Judy Cook at (248) 442-8822 or e-mail at elc-ed@arounddetroit.biz no later than Friday, Feb. 6. If Livonia schools are closed due to inclement weather, this event will be canceled.

Bethany singles
■ Dance, 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Feb. 7, in Redford. Cost is \$10, includes refreshments. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Call Diane for information at (734) 261-5716.
■ Breakfast, 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 21, at Leon's 30149 Ford Road, south side (next to Tim Horton's) in Garden City, 48135. All separated, divorced and singles welcome. For details, call Kathy at (734) 513-9479. Bethany is a Catholic organization under the auspices of the Archdiocese of the Detroit Office for Family Ministry. Bethany provides spiritual, social and educational assistance through peer-to-peer ministry to the divorced and

separated of all Christian faiths.
Hunger workshop
Bread For The World, a Christian non-partisan hunger legislation organization, holds a Hunger Offering Of Letters workshop 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 814 North Campbell, Royal Oak. Registration and continental breakfast start at 8:30 a.m. For information, contact Bob Krzewinski at (734) 487-9058, e-mail wolverbob@gmail.com or visit www.breadmichigan.org. During an Offering of Letters, individuals and congregations are asked not to donate funds, but write Congress on specific hunger-fighting legislation. The event is free and open to the public. Congregations are especially invited to send representatives as the workshop is an excellent avenue for hunger advocacy.

Lenten services
Holy Communion & Imposition of Ashes 7:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday, Feb. 25, Lenten Evening Prayer 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 427-1414.

Music at St. John's
Collegium Musicum performs cantatas and instrumental works, 6 p.m. Sunday, March 29, and The Saline Fiddlers, 6 p.m., Sunday, May 17, 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.

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 at 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

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.

Worship
Sundays 8 a.m. worship; 9 a.m. Adult Faith Forum, 10 a.m. worship service, Sunday School and Nursery, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 427-1414.

Sunday school
Takes place at 9:30 a.m. with worship service and communion at 10:30 a.m. each Sunday, at Good Hope Lutheran Church, 28600 Cherry Hill, between Inkster and Middlebelt roads, Garden City. Bible study 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday. Call (734) 427-3660.

Hall rental
Volkmar Hall located in Good Hope Lutheran Church, 28600 Cherry Hill, between Inkster and Middlebelt roads, Garden City, is available for rent. For information, call (734) 427-3660.

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 Middlebelt 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.oa.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 Levene, Redford. Communion is offered on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month. Sunday services are at 9:30 a.m.

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.gcfellowship.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.

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

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

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

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

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

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.

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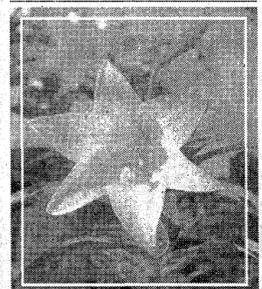
JANET M. SMITH

January 11, 2009. Age 71, of Westland. Beloved wife of the late Ronald. Dear mother of Dan (Melissa), Sister of Joan (Joe) Perkowski and Judy (Don) Barton. Cremains interment service will be Saturday 11:30am January 24, 2009 at Glen Eden Memorial Cemetery of Livonia.



KRIS NEAL WHITE

January 22, 1959 - December 27, 2008. Beloved husband of Norma White. Devoted son of Conception and the late Ronald White. A memorial Mass will be held at St. Raphael in Garden City on January 24, 2009 at 10:00 a.m.



ELIZABETH ANN WELCH

Age 79, of Farmington. January 3, 2009. Farmington High School graduate and a Ford Motor Co. retiree. Elizabeth is survived by her sister, Mary (Ken) McRae, sister-in-law Norma (the late George) Welch of Naples, FL; and many loving nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her parents, George and Alice Welch, originally of England; her brother Henry and her twin infant brothers. Memorial Service Sunday, January 25th, 4:00 p.m. at Faith Covenant Church, 35415 W. 14 Mile Rd., Farmington Hills. Memorials suggested to St. John Hospice, P.O. Box 673271, Detroit, MI 48237-3271 or the charity of your choice. Inurnment Grand Lawn Cemetery, Detroit. Arrangements entrusted to the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, downtown Farmington, 248-474-5200. heeney-sundquist.com



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CALENDAR

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Day of service

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

Worship Service

10:30 a.m. Sunday, Adult Bible Class at 9:30 a.m., Children's Sunday School during worship at 10:30 a.m., at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 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.

Worship services

10 a.m. Sundays Divine Liturgy followed by a fellowship/coffee time, at Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church, 36075 W. Seven Mile, between Newburgh and Wayne roads, Livonia. Church school for children and adults begins at 9 a.m. Sunday. Vespers are celebrated 5 p.m. Saturdays. Visitors are always welcome. For more information, call (248) 476-3432 (church), (248) 477-4712 (rectory) or Web site at www.orthodoxlivonia.org.

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 Leverage, 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

Calling all youth grades 4-12 to join the LOGOS Youth Club at Northville First United Methodist Church. Recreation, dinner, Bible study and music Wednesdays, 5:15-8:15 p.m. began Sept. 26. For registration, visit www.fumcnorthville.org or call (248) 349-1144.

HeartCry

The support group provides hope and help for mothers of prodigals at 7 p.m. on the second, fourth and fifth Wednesdays of each month, at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy Road, Canton. They use "The Hope of a Homecoming," by O'Rourke and Sauer (S12). To register, call (734) 455-0022, Ext. 4.

Women of the word

Bible study meets 9:15 a.m. and 6:45 p.m. Tuesdays, at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy Road, Canton. Choose from Covenant, a Precept Upon Precept class, or The Truth Project (new from Focus on the Family). To register, call (734) 455-0022, Ext. 4 or visit www.vchurches.com/cbcwomen.

Bible study

Get a new life, study Scripture 9-10:30 a.m. Saturdays at Blessed Sacrament Monastery on the northwest corner of 13 Mile and Middlebelt in Farmington Hills. Focus of study is Romans. Call (248) 626-8253 for more information.

Fellowship Dinners

6 p.m. Thursdays. Dinner catered by The Cookie Lady, Susan Navarro, \$6. At St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Call (313)534-7730.

Thrift Shop

9:30-11:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford.

Registration

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Early Childhood Center is now taking registrations for the fall program at 14175 Farmington Road, north of I-96, Livonia. It is open from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday. Loving and caring programs are offered for toddler, preschool, pre-K, and child care. Call (734) 513-8413.

Morning prayers

7:30 a.m. Tuesday-Friday, at New Beginnings United Methodist Church, 16175 Delaware, corner of Puritan, Redford. Please join in as participants start day with prayer. Call (313) 255-6330.

J.O.Y. meeting

The J.O.Y. Builders (Just Older

Youth, ages 50 plus) meet 11:30 a.m. the third Thursday of the month for lunch, fellowship and fun, at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh at Plymouth roads, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990. All are welcome to join in.

There is no charge, although organizers ask that you bring a luncheon dish to share.

Higher Rock Cafe

Second and fourth Friday of the month, doors open at 7:30 p.m., live bands begin at 8 p.m. presented by Salvation Army of Wayne/Westland, 2300 S. Venoy, between Michigan Avenue and Palmer. For information, call (734) 722-3660 or visit www.tsa.higherrockcafe.4t.com.

Worship service

10 a.m. Sundays, at The Lutheran Church of Our Saviour, 29425 Annapolis, Westland. Sunday School for children. For information, call (734) 728-3440.

Sunday worship

10 a.m. at Lutheran Church of Our Saviour, 29425 Annapolis, Westland. For information, call (734) 728-3440.

Sunday services

Pastor Dan Strength leads services at Living Water Church (Pentecostal Church of God), 11663 Arcola, one block west of Inkster Road on Plymouth Road. Sunday School is 10 a.m. followed by worship at 11 a.m. Bible study 7 p.m. Wednesdays. Call (734) 425-6360.

Farmington Women Aglow

Meets the second Monday of each month 7-9:30 p.m. at the Longacre House on Farmington road between 10 Mile and 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Call Vikki for more information at (248) 497-7755. A Christian women's group.

Worship services

Sunday worship services are at 8 a.m. (traditional) and 10:30 a.m. (contemporary), at Grace Lutheran Church, 46001 Warren, between Canton Center and Beck, Canton. For more information, call (734) 637-8160. Sunday school and Adult Bible Study at 9:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study series: Heaven Can't Wait.

Worship services

Praise and worship 10 a.m. Sunday, at Westwood Community Church, 6500 Wayne Road and Hunter, Westland. Contemporary music and casual dress. Children church and nursery. Call (734) 254-0093. Doughnuts and coffee served.

Celebrate Recovery

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Northville launches Celebrate Recovery, a Christ-centered recovery program helping men and women find freedom from hurts, habits and hang-ups (addictive and compulsive behaviors), meets every Friday for 6 p.m. dinner (optional), 7 p.m. praise and worship, 8 p.m. small group discussion, 9 p.m. Solid Rock Cafe (optional coffee and desserts). Child care during Celebrate Recovery is free and available by calling (248) 374-7400. For information, visit www.celebraterecovery.com and www.ward-church.org/celebrate.

Sunday service

All are welcome to attend worship service at 10 a.m. Sunday in the sanctuary at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, one block west of Inkster, Livonia. For more information, call (734) 422-1470.

Worship service

At 10:30 a.m. Sundays at New Beginnings United Methodist Church, 16175 Delaware at Puritan, Redford. Congregation is hearing lessons from I Peter. Call (313) 255-6330.

Your Invitation to Worship

Grid of church advertisements including: CATHOLIC (St. Anne's Roman Catholic Church, St. Genevieve Roman Catholic Church, St. Maurice Roman Catholic Church), EVANGELICAL COVENANT (Faith Covenant Church), UNITED METHODIST (Clarenceville United Methodist, Redford Aldersgate United Methodist, Cherry Hill United Methodist, Newburg United Methodist Church, First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, Rose Dale Gardens Presbyterian Church, St. James Presbyterian Church, USA), LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSOURI SYNOD (Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, Grace Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church & School), CHURCHES OF THE NAZARENE (Plymouth Church of the Nazarene), EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA (Timothy Lutheran Church), NON DENOMINATIONAL (Bell Creek Community Church), PRESBYTERIAN (Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Risen Christ Lutheran), CHRISTIAN SCIENCE (First Church of Christ, Scientist, Plymouth), and LUTHERAN CHURCH WISCONSIN SYNOD (St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church & School).

For Information regarding this Directory, please call Donna Hart at 734-582-8342 or e-mail: dhart@dnp.com

Plymouth Strictly Business

BUSINESS MILESTONES

Chamber status

The annual State of the Chamber Breakfast takes place 7:30 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, at The Inn at St. John's. At this event you will learn from our leadership about what your Chamber has planned for this upcoming year and how you can become involved. Last year the breakfast attracted 180 members, making it one of the best networking opportunities of the year. The cost to attend the event is just \$5 and you will receive a full breakfast. Reservations must be made by Monday, January 26th. Cancellations must be received 48 hours prior to the event, since the chamber is liable for all meals.

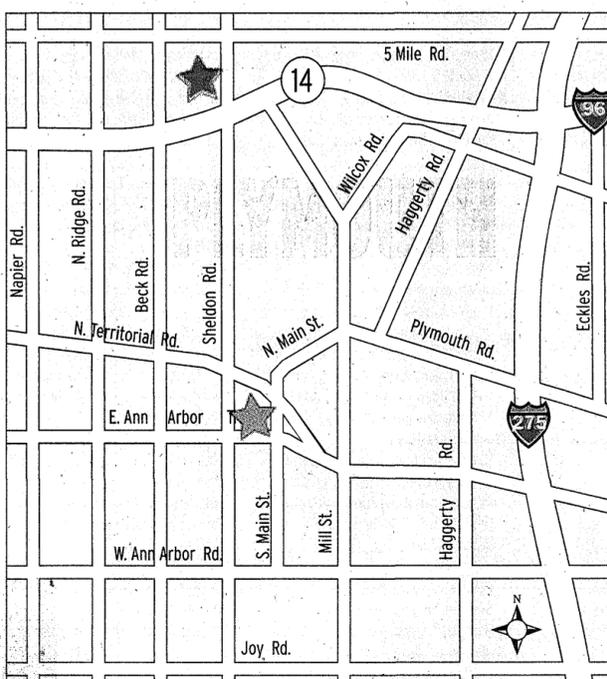
To register, please contact the Chamber at teri@plymouthmich.org or at (734) 453-1540. The Inn at St. John's is located at 44045 Five Mile.

associate. The JB Ashtin Group is a leader in delivering scientific strategic solutions that strengthen branding and educate audiences. Porter comes to The JB Ashtin Group with 15 years experience in scientific copy editing, having most recently worked for Pfizer as a technical writer. Porter graduated from Butler University with a bachelor's degree in English and forensics and is a member of the American Copy Editors Society. Oblak recently received her doctoral degree in chemistry from Michigan State University. Prior to that she obtained her bachelor's degree in chemistry from the University of Michigan and became a doctoral candidate in chemistry at Wayne State University.

Panera fund-raiser
Something big is brewing at Panera Bread. On Wednesday, Jan. 28, all southeast Michigan bakery-cafes, including the Plymouth location, are welcoming customers to celebrate Panera's new breakfast experience by sharing free 16-ounce

cups of its new Light and Dark Roast coffees. Customers will also receive free samples of Panera's three grilled breakfast sandwiches on freshly baked Ciabatta and the new Strawberry Granola Parfait. Panera Bread also invites customers to donate a dollar on Jan. 28 to help support its Community Breadbox™ effort, one of its many Operation Dough-Nation® programs. Southeast Michigan bakery-cafes will join the celebration by matching customer donations, up to \$250 per bakery-cafe. Donations will support United Way for Southeastern Michigan and will help provide local individuals and families with food and shelter.

Construction update
The Plymouth Downtown Development Authority reports the city's building department has notified the developer at Parkside Development the site needs to be cleaned up and the sidewalks reopened. Construction of the new entrance to E.G. Nick's is scheduled to start in the spring.



SEND IT

Get in on the new Strictly Business page of the *Plymouth Observer* by sending us your business news, promotions, events or milestones. It's simple: Just e-mail all of the details to editor Brad Kadrich at bkadrich@hometownlife.com and he'll take care of the rest. Our new local business page runs each Thursday in your *Plymouth Observer*. We welcome comments and suggestions, too. We're looking forward to hearing from you.

IT'S YOUR BUSINESS Q&A

CHAMBER CHAT



Jeff Stesiak and John Corsi opened Cellar 849 on Penniman in downtown Plymouth in April.

Spirits flow in Penniman winery

Observer: Tell about your business, including the types of services and/or products you feature.
Cellar 849: We produce 40 different wines with grapes from all over the world. Customers can make their own wine by the batch and we sell wine by the taste, glass and bottle as well in our tasting room. We also do private events for and private labels on any occasion.

Observer: What makes your business unique? Do you serve a special niche?
Cellar 849: We are one of the few wineries located in downtown settings that not only sells wine by the taste, glass and bottle but customers can bottle, cork and have a custom label designed for their wine. Our tasting room is unique and a great place for private events. There are a few other wine making businesses in metro Detroit but we took

CELLAR 849 WINERY
Business name: Cellar 849 Winery
Business address: 849 Penniman, Plymouth Michigan 48170
Your name and title: John Corsi, owner
Your hometown: Northville
Business opened: April 2008
Number of employees: Four
Your business specialty: Cellar 849 is a custom urban winery. We source our grape juice from over 100 different vineyards all over the world and produce our wine right here in Plymouth.
Hours of operation: 1-9 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday; noon to 11 p.m. Friday-Saturday; closed Sunday-Monday.
Business phone and/or Web site: (734) 254-0275 www.cellar849.com

things to a new level in wine making and with our tasting, bottling and fermenting rooms which truly makes us one of a kind.
Observer: How did you first decide to open your own business?
Cellar 849: I love wine and my father who was born in Italy made wine every year and I helped him since I was 7 years old. I am a custom

home builder but always had a passion for wine making and wanted to do something I really enjoyed.
Observer: How did you decide to locate in the Plymouth community?
Cellar 849: My wife is from Plymouth and I spend a lot of time in the city with my four children. When I saw the perfect building for sale

on Penniman, I bought it immediately. Plymouth is a great community and you're not going to find nicer people anywhere else.

Observer: Do you have a funny tidbit or story to share with readers about your experience as far as a small business owner?

Cellar 849: The funniest thing is hearing so many wine stories from our customers and places they visited but when we first opened a couple came in the store and said they are not wine drinkers but wanted to buy a bottle of wine for his parents. They decided to try a few of our sweeter wine and ended up buying a case for themselves.

During the Plymouth Ice Spectacular this weekend the Chamber building will be open. In past years, we have had many visitors come into the office during the festival weekend. The Chamber does have a visitor center for members to display business cards and brochures.

If you would like to display your material, please bring it to our office at 850 W. Ann Arbor Trail by Friday. During the Ice Spectacular the Chamber building will be open on Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. If you are downtown, please stop to visit.

Next Monday (Jan. 26) is the last day to register for the State of the Chamber Breakfast on Thursday, Jan. 29. Some 135 people have already registered. The breakfast takes place 7:30 a.m. at The Inn at St. John's.

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St. John's is located at 44045 Five Mile Rd.

On Wednesday, Feb. 18 from 5 to 7 p.m. the Chamber will host a business mixer at the Plymouth Historical Museum in conjunction with the new Lincoln Exhibit, that will feature artifacts owned by the President. The event is sponsored by Monroe Bank and Trust.

After Hours are great networking events attracting between 60-80 people. There is no fee to attend and there will also be light hors d'oeuvres served. The museum is located at 155 S. Main St. If you would like to attend, please RSVP by contacting the Chamber at teri@plymouthmich.org or at (734) 453-1540.

Web Site of the Week: Michigan Educational Credit Union. To help members see other Web sites in the community and get ideas they could use for their own sites, we will feature a different member's site each week. This week we are featuring the web site from the Michigan Educational Credit Union: www.michedu.org.

Check us out on the Web every day at hometownlife.com

BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS

Mary Collins, Community Financial's Novi branch manager, presents a check from the credit union's Community Shares program for the Novi Educational Foundation to Peter Dion, Novi Community Schools district superintendent. Also attending are Orchard Hills Elementary students from Cathy Cloke's fourth-grade class who volunteer for the school's student-run credit union, along with Orchard Hills Principal Paul LePae and Michelle Richards, education partnership coordinator for Community Financial, headquartered in Plymouth.



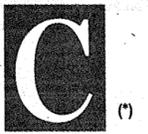
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Hardware pros have tips on keeping home shipshape

BY JULIE BROWN
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January may not strike you as a big home improvement month, but experts agree there are things you can do now to keep your home tiptop.

Nancy Henry, manager at Town 'n' Country Hardware on Ford Road in Garden City, said a door in front of your fireplace is great for energy efficiency. You'll want to check your furnace regularly for its efficiency, she said.

If you're on a budget, Henry, who manages the True-Value store, recommends one improvement a year, such as windows or a deck.

You can start to look at paint colors for spring work, said Henry, who doesn't generally paint indoors in winter.

"Start lining up your home improvement projects," Henry said. "You may want to get some quotes. I really think it's best to stay local." She recommends two-three quotes for home improvement projects.

Henry recommends home improvement shows such as those in Canton, Novi and the ones presented by pro Glenn Haeg. The Canton Township Home Improvement Expo is March 7-8 at the Summit, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 7, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 8. Admission is free.

The next Novi Home Improvement Show at Rock Financial Showplace will be Friday through Sunday, Jan. 23-25. It runs noon to 9 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$10 for

adults, \$9 for seniors, and kids 12 and under are free.

"The next few months are going to be all the home shows," Henry said. "It's definitely a good resource." She recommends the public library and Internet as good places to find home improvement information.

Some large hardware stores also offer do-it-yourself seminars, she said. "Definitely reading up and getting your information together. You've got to line those things up. Contractors get too busy," she said.

There's some indoor work like plumbing projects that can be tackled now, "things you've been pushing aside you need to address. I would say you could do flooring projects."

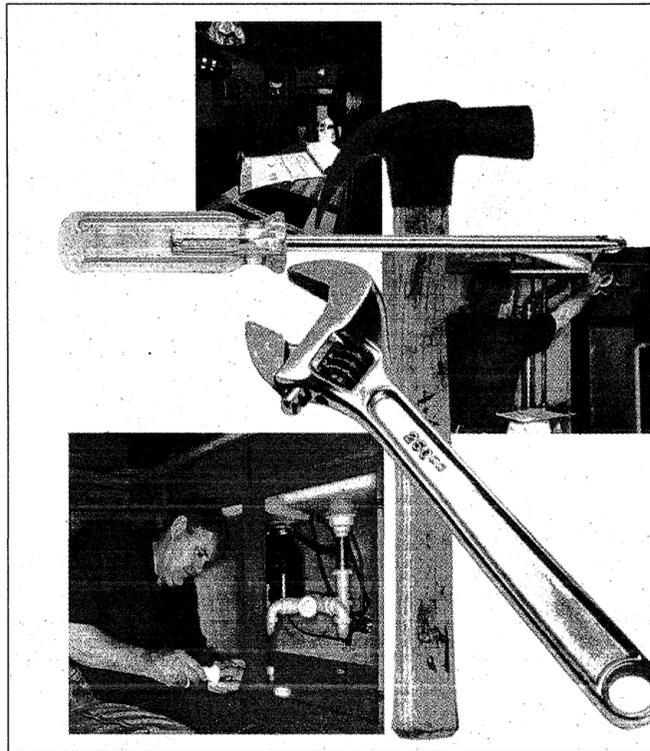
When spring comes, many are eager to get to their gardens and clean up leaves left when snow fell early. Town 'n' Country Hardware gets busy in spring with barbecue sales and repairs.

Henry notes you should have your snowblower drained and ready for storage when spring comes.

Bob Rates, manager of Nankin Hardware & Hobby on Ford Road in Westland, said checking furnace filters in winter is essential. "People sometimes forget about that," he said. Some filters last longer than a month, but you want to be sure to change your furnace filters often.

"There really isn't much in January/February," said Rates, noting it's a slower season for hardware stores. Chores like sealing windows are done earlier: "You've already done it typically in the fall," Rates said.

He finds people do indoor painting



in the winter, and Rates doesn't like to paint in summer in extreme heat. He's replaced flooring in his home in winter.

These days at Nankin Hardware and Hobby, more customers come in with "It broke, can you fix it?"

requests. Rates and co-workers don't see a lot of people now interested in decks or other spring projects.

"It's still too early," he said. "I don't think you get that until you get your first 50-degree day."

Research Naples market carefully

Q: With the economy tanking, I wonder how things had gone in Naples, Fla., as I am interested in buying a home down there, hopefully at a substantially reduced price. What information do you have?

A: Based upon research as of the end of October 2008, home sales are up for the year but are down excluding bank foreclosures. They have been down for almost every month



Robert Meisner

since at least January 2007. The problem is that there are a flood of foreclosures in Southwest Florida but the numbers are skewed because of the foreclosure problem. Some of the statistics, of course, are not relevant to sales made directly by owners, builders or developers but there is an increased tendency to work with real estate agents. This continues to be a good time if you have the cash to purchase.

Q: We are personal guarantors on a promissory note on a real estate transaction and there is a deficiency as a result of a sheriff's sale. Do you think we have any liability?

A: Of course, it depends on each set of facts, but if the individual guarantors were brought into the foreclosure action under MCL 600.3160, that provision allows the court to order the payment of the deficiency by any person besides the mortgagor who secures by obligation the mortgage debt after the foreclosure sale. Accordingly, it would not be required that the liability of an individual guarantors be included in the judgment of foreclosure in order for the guarantors to be held liable for the deficiency. Presumably, the guarantors in that case were made parties to the lawsuit. My best advice is to consult with an attorney as to potential liability.

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.

BRIEFS

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Thinking about a career in real estate? Is working in real estate your dream? Keller Williams Realty is seeking experienced or non-experienced people in the real estate field. The candidates must be hard working and have a passion for learning.

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

Free seminar

A free seminar offered by Keller Williams Realty will cover: \$7,500 tax credit for new buyers; current mortgage interest rates; inspections, appraisals, title work and more. It will be held 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24, at Keller Williams Farmington Hills Market Center, 27555 Executive Drive, Suite 100, Farmington Hills. Call with questions or for reservations: (248) 893-1550.

Investors

Learn "How Do You Make Money in Real Estate in a Downturn" at the

Metropolitan Detroit Real Estate Three-Day Conference presented by Woodward Promotions LLC and Real Estate Investors Association of Oakland. Friday/Saturday/Sunday, Feb. 6-8, at MSU Management Education Center, 822 W. Square Lake Road, Troy. Pre-register for \$97; or \$129 at the door. Call (248) 991-1851.

Tax seminars

Weir Manuel Realtors will be presenting "Everything You Need to Know About Property Taxes." The public is invited to these free seminars being held in Birmingham, Rochester and West Bloomfield in February.

The seminars, conducted by Kelly Sweeney, owner and CEO of Weir Manuel and former state certified assessor, will be geared towards helping consumers understand how property taxes are assessed, and how to know when a property tax assessment can — and should — be appealed. Attendees who pre-register will be given a personal property tax profile.

Kelly Sweeney is the 2008 Michigan Association of Realtor's Realtor of the Year for the Michigan Consolidated Association of Realtors. Seminars will be held the evenings of Feb. 10

and 24 in Birmingham; Feb. 23 at the Rochester Community House; and Feb. 25 in West Bloomfield. Refreshments will be served. Interested consumers are asked to reserve a complimentary seat at any of the seminars by phoning Weir Manuel Realtors, Birmingham, at (248) 644-6300.

Milestone

Kurtis Kitchen and Bath Centers announced its 40th anniversary celebration.

"We will celebrate our anniversary all year long with customer appreciation events, special sales and giveaways," said Wayne Weintraub, owner of Kurtis Kitchen and Bath Centers. "We are proud of still being a family-owned third-generation business providing quality products and services for homeowners."

Kurtis is highlighting its 40th anniversary with a new logo that will be introduced at the Novi Home Improvement Show, Jan. 23-25 at Rock Financial Showplace in Novi. Show visitors will have the opportunity to win the \$2 million dollar 2009 HGTV Dream Home in Sonoma, Calif., courtesy of one of Kurtis's featured suppliers, Wellborn Cabinetry, who provided

the home's cabinetry for the kitchen, dish and food pantries, laundry, master bath and both guest baths. Entries will be available at the exhibit.

Kurtis was founded in 1969 by Louis Kuretzky and was joined by his sons, Howard and Marty, the following year. Wayne Weintraub came on board in 1994 to run business operations and support its continued growth and success. The third generation of the Kurtis family, Steve Edelman and Aaron Kuretzky, are now in the wholesale and retail sales divisions. Kurtis started in Warren as a wholesaler of countertops and stock cabinets for kitchens and baths. In 1971, it was the first building industry company to open a retail showroom in Detroit servicing do-it-yourself clients and small contractors. They have since expanded to seven locations throughout southeastern Michigan helping thousands with new kitchen, bathroom and cabinetry needs. A full service installation division was added in 1998 for retail clients.

Kurtis Kitchen and Bath Centers are located in Clarkston, Farmington Hills, Livonia, Rochester Hills, Royal Oak, Warren and Woodhaven. For further information or to register for the open house, call (888) KURTIS-1 (587-8471) or visit www.KurtisKitchen.com.

HOMES SOLD

These are the Observer & Eccentric-area residential real-estate closings recorded the week of Sept. 29 to Oct. 3, 2008, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office, plus some from Oakland County. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

Canton	
47397 Bartlett Dr	\$235,000
41612 Bedford Dr	\$69,000
50349 Black Horse Ln	\$79,000
4343 Bridgeview Ln	\$158,000
50010 Cherry Hill Rd	\$262,000
48311 Chesterfield Dr S	\$305,000
4131 Cornerstone Dr	\$120,000
461 Harbor St	\$345,000
48402 Manor Bridge Dr	\$46,000
7412 Pointe Dr	\$154,000

6484 Raintree Ct	\$174,000
45936 S Stonewood Rd	\$226,000
42366 Saratoga Cir	\$140,000
Farmington Hills	
23874 Barfield St	\$130,000
28349 Bayberry Rd	\$117,000
27433 Doreen St	\$149,000
29553 Geraldine Rd	\$188,000
22303 Harisdale Dr	\$315,000
28787 Hidden Trl	\$385,000
30071 Mullane Dr	\$196,000
21523 Oxford Ave	\$100,000
21124 Randall St	\$88,000
29518 Strathmore Dr	\$390,000
31191 Sudbury St	\$295,000
22028 Tredwell Ave	\$150,000
37357 Wellsley	\$390,000
25402 Wykeshire Rd	\$219,000
Livonia	
29518 Bentley St	\$143,000
17333 Deering St	\$145,000
38051 Donald St	\$148,000
17526 Doris St	\$150,000

37495 Eagle Dr	\$75,000
20026 Edgewood Ave	\$365,000
35810 Elmira St	\$240,000
27670 Oakley St	\$260,000
18592 Shrewsbury Dr	\$240,000
9074 Sunbury St	\$140,000
18249 Sunset St	\$187,000
17869 University Park Dr	\$95,000
18449 University Park Dr	\$100,000
28272 W Chicago St	\$100,000
17620 Woodside St	\$180,000
Milford	
768 Forestberry Ct	\$171,000
748 Mill St	\$288,000
Northville	
16857 Abby Cir	\$345,000
859 Carpenter St	\$161,000
19856 Irongate Ct	\$83,000
16029 Morningside	\$135,000
16074 Morningside	\$148,000
49003 Rainbow Ln S	\$376,000
49017 Rainbow Ln S	\$335,000
17675 Ridge Rd	\$340,000

21508 Summerside Ln	\$315,000
Novi	
41893 Canterbury Dr	\$140,000
50722 Chesapeake Dr	\$562,000
23616 Dunston Rd	\$304,000
1661 Harbor Cv	\$230,000
27995 Hopkins Dr	\$128,000
45273 Jacob Dr	\$306,000
24703 Jamesstone Rd	\$222,000
24396 Knollwood St	\$150,000
25987 Petros Blvd	\$207,000
23707 Stonehenge Blvd	\$73,000
39729 Village Wood Ln	\$97,000
Plymouth	
11865 Chandler Dr	\$330,000
45015 Deer Run Rd	\$240,000
14801 Greenbriar Ct	\$180,000
13642 Hilltop Dr W	\$375,000
12545 Lighthouse Ct	\$340,000
46490 Rockledge Dr	\$240,000
14881 Thornridge Dr	\$195,000
Redford	
24814 Ashley Ct	\$160,000

9141 Berwyn	\$140,000
15965 Dalby	\$45,000
18426 Fox	\$97,000
20384 Fox	\$65,000
16762 Inkster Rd	\$136,000
15596 Leona Dr	\$96,000
9306 Louis	\$117,000
26211 Lyndon	\$177,000
25200 Pembroke Ave	\$85,000
13022 Sioux	\$43,000
25562 Student	\$70,000
9944 Virgil	\$55,000
South Lyon	
60935 Deer Creek Dr	\$180,000
423 Lyon Ct	\$130,000
23640 Lyon Ridge Dr	\$304,000
Westland	
38501 Deer Creek Blvd	\$110,000
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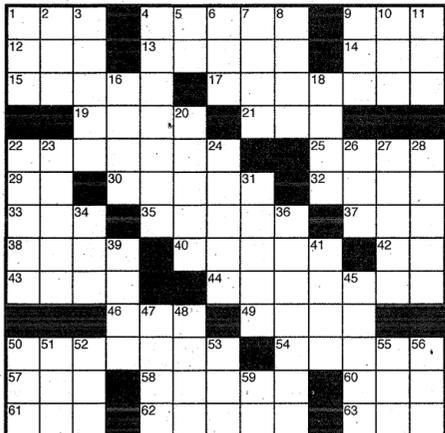
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- ACROSS**
- Caught ya!
 - Zeppo's brother
 - Concealed
 - Bagel partner
 - Yeah (hyph.)
 - Chuck Yeager, e.g.
 - Still-life subjects
 - Orange lovers
 - Leia Organa's brother
 - Steal from
 - Pulling ahead of
 - Bake- (cooking contests)
 - Former spouse
 - Works a cure
 - La femme
 - Wrestler's coup
 - Burn with steam
 - "Delicious!"
 - Shower bar
 - Dirt path
- DOWN**
- Dark brew
 - Common query
 - Ice-skating leaps
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 - Sigh of delight
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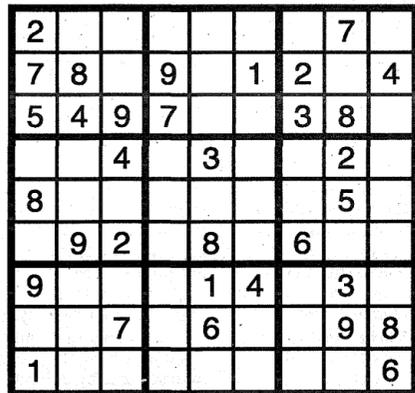
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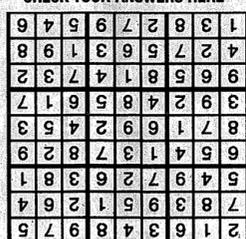
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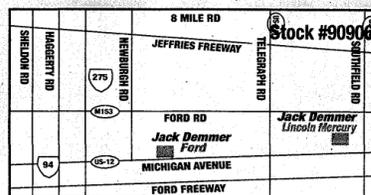
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Large Corner Lot 3BR/2.5BA ranch w/two 2car garages attached by a 16x14 breezeway. Family rm w/FP & doorwall. Newer plumbing, glass block windows, bay window in living rm. (29005419) \$149,900



Livonia 734-591-9200
UNIQUE PERFECTION BACKYARD LOVER! FULL Bth on each fr, new wndws upstsr, new ext drs, new furn-a/c-hwh, new carpet & pergo flrs, updt'd bthrms, huge fin bsmt, fam rm leads to deck w/hot tub, pond. (29000129) \$229,900



Northville 248-348-6430
EXQUISITE EXECUTIVE HOME Prestigious Northville Hills Golf Club sub: beautifully maintained w/prof decor touches t/o, 4br, 4.5 ba, elegant formal DR. 2stry GR w/Palcaadium windows. (28017178) \$999,000



Orchard Lake 248-348-6430
Cass Lake Site Here's your opportunity! 0.41 ac lake lot on the Southern shore of Cass Lake. (28132377) \$1,299,000



Southfield 248-348-6430
Nicest You'll See! Huge Price Reduction. Not a drive-by! Extensively remodeled. Not to die for KIT, Big FR w/skylights. Quaint patio! 2.5 heated gar w/water. Easily converted to 3 BDRM. MBR w/sitting rm. (28150010) \$69,900



Belleville 734-455-7000
GREAT HOUSE! GREAT PRICE! Plenty of room in this 4 bedroom/2 bath home in Van Buren Estates. Huge backyard, partially finished basement, 2 car garage. Home Warranty! (28200791) \$98,000



Green Oak 248-437-3800
Wooded Retreat Like Setting Custom built. Lrg windows span back to view the natural area. Appraised 2007 for \$438,000. Argon filled windows & skylights, high eff. furnace. Prof. fin. W/O. (28205138) \$299,900



Livonia 248-851-1900
ABSOLUTELY BEAUTIFUL 2005 BUILT COLONIAL Large private lot features flagstone & paver patio w/spa. 3 BR, 2.1 bath. Ceramic, marble & granite in kitchen & all baths. Upgraded fixtures & hardware. Quiet street (28146911) \$229,900



Northville 248-348-6430
Beautiful Remodeled 2006 Historic Home In downtown Northville, abundance of windows, fabulous new kitchen, elegant dining & living room, great room, family room & 3 porches. A spectacular home! (28191049) \$574,900



Plymouth 734-455-7000
AN ADVENTURE INTO ELEGANCE! Most Admired Historic Cape Cod in the City of Plymouth! Designed by GM Bldg architect. 1st time marketed in 45 years! 5 bedrooms/5 baths. Spectacular wooded acre! (28172722) \$825,000



Van Buren Twp 734-591-9200
Remodeled 3BR RCH. New roof/windows. KIT remodeled. New HWT and C/A unit. Updt'd bath has jetted tub. Updt'd plumbing and elect. All on 1/2 acre. Seller will incl Home Warrant (\$50) Deductible. BA comm is 3.5% (28188084) \$79,900



Brighton 248-437-3800
Great Home To Entertain In Wide open floor plan, GR has soaring ceilings, fireplace & lots of windows. 1st fr mstr suite w/jetted tub. Large kit w/hardwood floors. Prof/fin bsmt. (28181801) \$259,000



Green Oak 248-437-3800
Just Listed! 2 story home in sought after Windcrest sub. Home features 4 bedrooms, 2.1 baths, partially finished W/O LL. Treed backyard. (28175284) \$245,000



Livonia 734-284-5400
PACK YOUR BAGS & COME HOME 3 possible 4 BD, 2.5 BA brick colonial. Natural fireplace in family room w/ door wall to deck & backyard w/ 2 Koi ponds. Fin basement. 2 car attached garage. (28197688) \$214,900



Northville 734-455-7000
THIS ONE'S A HONEY! Freshly listed! Choicest Northville 2BR/2BA walk/out ranch condo with views worth painting! Stroll to town. (29005554) \$105,900



Redford 248-348-6430
Picture Perfect Home Hard to beat the price of this beautifully updated brick ranch, new KIT, totally remodeled bath, new interior & exterior doors, freshly painted! (28015035) \$94,000



Walled Lake 248-684-1065
Well maintained and updated condal HDwd flrs on entry level. Natural FP in cathedral ceiling living room. Part fin. bsmt. Some exclusions apply. (28132803) \$135,500



Canton 734-591-9200
Beautiful home & sub backing to tree line. Neutral decor, 10 ft ceilings on 1st flr, spiral str/case w/2 stry foyer, lg kit open to Fam rm. Mstr ste w/cathed ceil 2 wlk in clos. Fin bsmt w/1 bath & poss 5th BR (28186254) \$349,900



Hartland 248-684-1065
2-3 BR condo w/ 2 full BA. Many updates. Fin 2-car gar. GR w/ vaulted ceiling, gas FP, private deck, 1st fr MBR, open kit, 1st fr laundry, fin LL. (28172465) \$179,900



Livonia 734-591-9200
4 Star offering. 40K in upgrdes. No expens spared. Map kit w/ceram tile & stainless steel app. HDwd flrs. Decorat in neutral tones. Spac low lev. Fam rm w/dry bgnd off. Roof tear off, updt'd wind. Furn & CA. (28196107) \$159,900



Novi 248-348-6430
A True Gem! Beautiful 4 BDRM, 4.1 bath colonial on 1 acre, 2 story great room with views of the garden, chef's dream kitchen with upscale appliances, finished lower level. (28151022) \$674,900



Redford 734-591-9200
Updated-Freshly pnted, New Oak Cabinets and Counter top. New interior doors. New stove and fridge. Come and see (28196134) \$90,500



Walled Lake 248-348-6430
PRVT Ranch Duplex Condo Great Location Quiet cul-de-sac. 3 BD, 2 BA with W/O LL. Soaring ceilings, skylights & FP in FR. Separate DR & KIT w/hwdwd flrs. FF laundry. MBR has double closets & priv BA. (29004085) \$2,000



Canton 734-455-7000
STAR QUALITY! Amazingly attractive home totally remodeled w/quality and care throughout. Super location, park-like yd, paver patio, open floor plan - the list goes on and on! (28181903) \$168,900



Highland 248-684-1065
Total remodel on all-sports Duck Lake! HDWD flrs, 6 panel drs, arch top windows, granite ctrs, maple cabs, 1st fr laundry, deck, patio, 3-car garage. (28170487) \$724,500



Livonia 248-851-4100
BEAUTIFUL UPDATED HOME - GREAT LOCATION 3 BR, 1.1 baths. Brand new HWF, gorgeous kitchen w/black granite, tile backsplash, stainless appl. Main bath w/jetted tub, granite, marble. New furnace, C/A, windows, more! (28163318) \$155,000



Novi 248-684-1065
Lovely 4 BR, 3.5 BA w/ vaulted ceiling in formal LR, 2008 updates: granite countertops, HDWD flrs, carpet, paint. Fin bsmt w/ exercise rm, BA, rec. (29002237) \$408,900



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. (29006079) \$80,000



Wayne 734-455-7000
OH ME, OH MY! Updates galore! kitchen, baths, trim, doors, roof, furnace, floors. 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, basement, garage. (29004240) \$85,000



Clarkston 248-684-1065
Wonderful site condo w/ 2 BR and 2 full BA up and BR/full BA in Fin W/O bsmt. GR w/ FP. Association fee includes yard, street maint, garbage pick-up. (28156386) \$249,000



Highland 248-684-1065
Custom built lkfrt home; 1.7 acres. Maple cabs & granite t/o kits & baths. 2 story GR w/ gas fp. 1st fr mstr w/ ba & 2 WICs. Fin W/O/ prof indispng. (28152095) \$529,900



Livonia 248-348-6430
Highly Desirable Northwest Livonia! Features: Updated kitchen, ceramic baths. Stamped concrete walk & patio, bay window, full finished basement, BR and new driveway, 2.5 car garage & much more! (29001443) \$135,000



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) \$279,700



Redford 248-851-1900
GREAT OPPORTUNITY! Must sell this 3 bedroom ranch. Furnace and A/C replaced 5 years ago. Make sure you see this one and make an offer! (28262148) \$51,500



Westland 734-455-7000
BETTER THAN NEW with more charm than a Builder could design in today's market. Library could be 4th BD. Sunroom w/ skylight. Granite kitchen island. 1st fr laundry. Must See! (28204536) \$239,900



Commerce 248-437-3800
Bank Owned "As Is" Enclosed front porch, ext. access to basement. Detached garage/pole barn. Needs tub/shower in bath. Some rehab started. (28206191) \$44,900



Highland 248-684-1065
Beautiful home! Quality materials & trim details t/o HDWD flrs & staircase, granite & natural cherry kit, SS appl, bonus 4th rm, 150' on All Sports Duck Lake. (28198231) \$499,900



Livonia 248-348-6430
Highly Desirable! 2 Bedroom, 2 Bath 1st floor condo. No stairs to climb! New kitchen, carpet, paint & all appliances stay. Set in a private wooded location just steps away from pool and clubhouse. (28162574) \$65,000



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



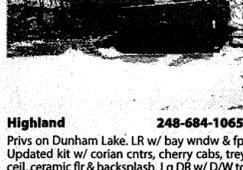
South Lyon 248-437-3800
Well Kept Home! Well kept home in Popular Carriage Trace. Seller has \$440,000 invested. Granite kit w/cherry cabinets, ceramic backsplash. GR w/hrdwd flrs, soaring ceiling. (28085461) \$299,900



Westland 734-455-7000
SURE TO PLEASE! Open, spacious floor plan. Great rm w/cathedral ceiling & marble FP. Upgraded white cabinets in kitchen, appliances stay. 1st fr master & laundry, neutral t/o. (28141520) \$179,900



Dearborn 734-455-7000
DESIGNED AND BUILT BY OWNER WITH PRIDE! Hand-made kitchen cab & fin upstairs. Beautifully fin hdwd flrs. Updt'd bath, roof, elec & plumb. High efficiency furn '08. Priv. yd. 2car + gar. Home Warr! (28206357) \$98,000



Highland 248-684-1065
Privs on Dunham Lake. LR w/ bay wndw & fp. Updated kit w/ corian cntrs, cherry cabs, troy cel, ceramic flr & backsplash. Lg DR w/ D/W to deck. FR in fin LL. (28179730) \$200,000



Lyon 248-437-3800
Located In Popular Carriage Club Sub Custom window treatments stay. Corrian counters in kitchen. Hardwood floors in kitchen, breakfast, foyer and powder rm. Basement is finished with large rec rm. (28185774) \$219,900



Novi 248-348-6430
Bargain Priced! Novi Schools! 4 BR, 2 BA Sharp UPD'D KIT w/granite & SS appls. New carpet, main UPD'D BA, Andersen windows, fieldstone FP, patio w/LG scenic yard! Comm pool & clubhouse. You'll love it! (28154102) \$174,900



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Newer Quality Built Colonial Loads of upgrades! Living rm has gas fp, kit w/breakfast nook. Both rms have door leading to deck, formal DR w/bay window, mstr BR has 2 W/ closets & mstr bath. (28145429) \$269,900



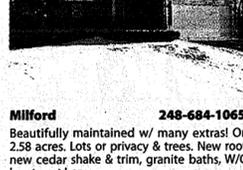
Westland 248-348-6430
Best Buy In Westland! Updates Galore! Newer furnace, air, siding, roof, tankless HWH, concrete & 2+ garage w/attic. Fenced yard. Updt'd kit, BA, plumbing, electric. Near City Hall. Home Warranty! (28206757) \$49,900



Dearborn Heights 734-591-9200
Must See! Orig Own. Home Updt'd Thru Years New Furnace, Hardwood Floors Under Carpet. Fin Bsmt w/BA. Kitchen Updt'd. Nice Clean Home. Great Bargain with Crestwood Schools. Buyers Agent to Verify All Info. (28185364) \$114,900



Holly 248-684-1065
Beautifully maintained 2-BR ranch w/ lake access to Spring Lake and all-sports Crocheted Lake. 3-car garage & separate heated workroom. Wooded lot. (28132165) \$125,000



Milford 248-684-1065
Beautifully maintained w/ many extras! On 2.58 acres. Lots of privacy & trees. New roof, new cedar shake & trim, granite baths, W/O bsmt, wet bar. (29001408) \$234,900



Novi 248-851-4100
Gorgeous completely updated 3 BR condo. Enclosed brick paver patio. New windows, doorwall, HWF in foyer, kit, & DR. Tiled backsplash in kit, new appl, new bathrooms. California closets. New furnace & AC. (28131329) \$106,000



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Premium Lot Overlooking Pond... With view of fountain. 500 sq ft of maintenance free Trex decking captures peaceful water views. 4 BR, 2.1 BA. Subject to short sale. (29003042) \$219,900



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



Farmington Hills 248-348-6430
Original Owner, custom built 3 bedroom home on 2 acres! New hardwood floors & huge kitchen, family room overlooks 20x16 deck & spacious backyard, low utilities. (28068488) \$214,999



Howell 248-348-6430
4 Bedroom Colonial, 2 Full Baths Corner lot w/above ground kayak pool, fenced yard, 2 car ATT garage. Neutral T/O w/large kitchen. 2 BLKS to ELEM school. Walk to town, access to Thompson Lake. (28160445) \$149,900



Milford 248-684-1065
Newly renovated tri-level in established neighborhood. Move right this amazing home with immediate occupancy. Wooded private backyard. Walk to town. (29000432) \$154,000



Novi 248-348-6430
Excellent Opportunity! Spic & span condal appls, move-in ready. Across from Walled Lake, backs to wooded area. Nice building w/lovely lobby & gathering rm. Wonderful Community of adults 50+! No pets. (28177558) \$55,000



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Sharp Condo Unit... Move In Condition Located close to clubhouse w/indoor pool & fitness rm. Next to tennis court. Features include vaulted ceiling in lrg living rm, nice separate dining area. (28205923) \$79,000



White Lake 248-684-1065
White Lake Canal! Affordable home to call your own! Close to main body of lake. Wooded, good-size lot. New roof, well pump, FP. Needs some work. (28146975) \$125,000

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More coverage of the ice festival is inside

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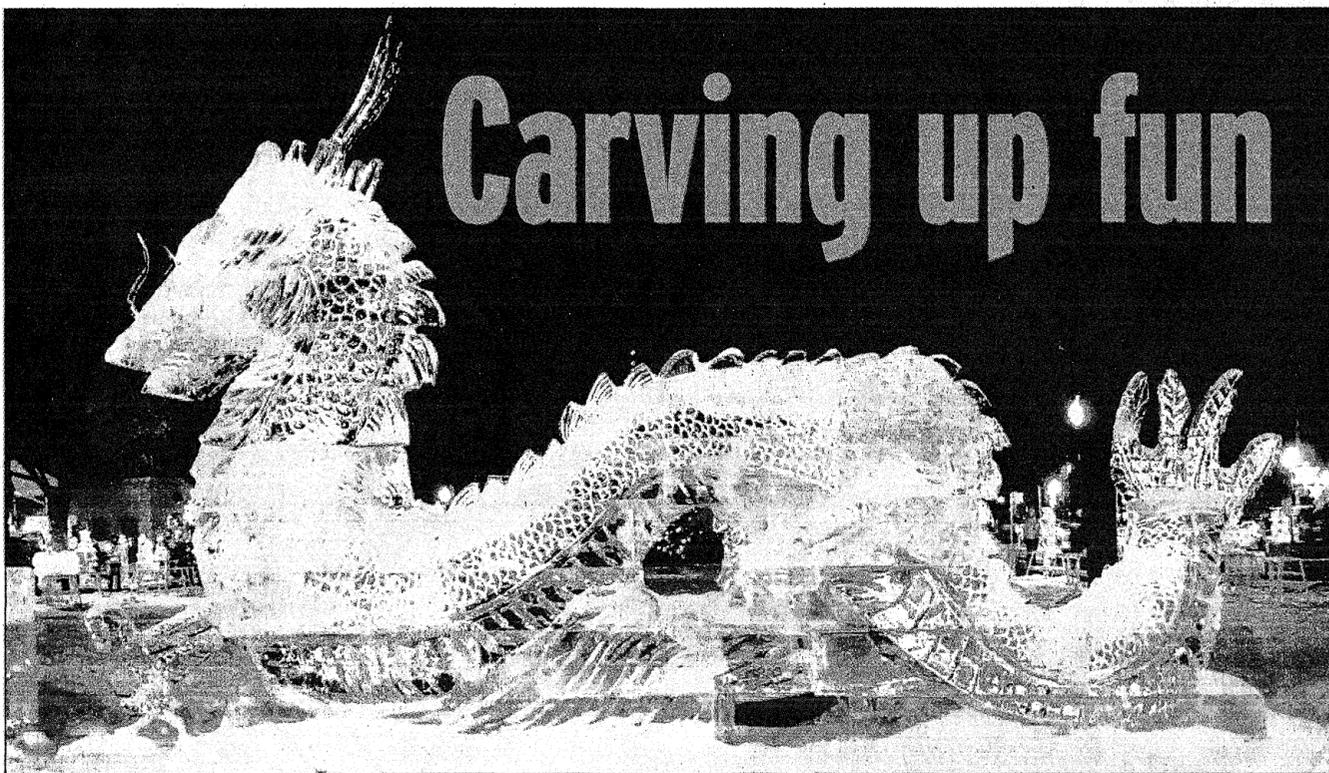


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Carving up fun

Sculptures like this award-winning dragon, are lit at night for a romantic effect.

2009 PLYMOUTH ICE SCULPTURE SPECTACULAR

Where: Kellogg Park and downtown Plymouth
When: Jan. 23-25

Friday, Jan. 23 – Official Opening

- Pedestal sculptures displayed in Kellogg Park and at sponsoring businesses.
- 3-7 p.m.: High School Individual Competition in Kellogg Park, 1 block of ice, 4 hours to carve.
- Community College Ice Carving Clubs and Professional Carvers complete their displays.

Saturday, Jan. 24

- 11 a.m.-5 p.m.: Grabber will distribute free samples of hand and foot warmers.
- 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.: AM 901 Radio Disney broadcasts from The Gathering in downtown Plymouth. Get autographs from Plymouth Whalers and photos with Shooter. Autograph
- noon-4 p.m.: College Individual Competition in Kellogg Park, 1 block of ice, 4 hours to carve.
- 11 a.m. until completion: Cut & Carve Chainsaw Artistry, Master Wood Carvers carve and sell their artwork.

Major Ice Carvings on display, including carvings by Japanese Team.

Sunday, Jan. 25

- 11 a.m.-3 p.m.: College Team Competition in Kellogg Park, 3 blocks of ice, 4 hours to carve.
- 11 a.m.-3 p.m.: High School Team Competition in Kellogg Park, 3 blocks of ice, 4 hours.
- 11 a.m. until completion: Cut & Carve Chainsaw Artistry, Master Wood Carvers
- noon-5 p.m.: Grabber will distribute free samples of their hand and foot warmers.
- Major multi-block displays and individual competition works on display

Note: The process of building and carving major ice sculpture displays requires two to three days for each carving. Times are approximate and all events are subject to change.

Information: Call (734) 453 1540 or visit plymouthice.com



Royal Oak resident Tyler Colman, a student at Oakland County Community College, works on a carving during last year's college individual ice carving competition. The Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular runs January 23-25.

Sculptures are icing on cake during Plymouth's annual festival

BY WENDSY VON BUSKIRK
& E STAFF WRITER

The romance of ice sculpture is that it doesn't last. The art is beautiful and ephemeral, precious because it must be viewed before it melts away.

For the 27th year in a row, ice sculptors and enthusiasts will gather to celebrate this transient art form during the Plymouth International

Ice Sculpture Spectacular, Jan. 23-25. The event is free.

According to organizer Mike Watts, Plymouth was among the first cities to host such a winter celebration.

"We believe we're the oldest and longest continuously running ice sculpture festival in the entire United States. We have an international reputation," Watts said. "More importantly it brings in business to

the community during a slow time of year and an extremely slow time in the economy, so the business it generates will be a big help to the retailers, bars and restaurants."

Ice carvers from across the country and around the world have competed in past years, including teams from Russia, Norway and Sweden. This year, the award-win-

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HAPPENINGS

COMEDIAN HAMILTON COMES TO CANTON

Laughs are coming to the Village Theater at Cherry Hill as comedian Ryan Hamilton takes the stage 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 23.

Known for his clean brand of comedy, Hamilton continues to receive national attention

for his quick wit and was recently featured on NBC's *Last Comic Standing*.

In 2003, Hamilton was a semi-finalist in the Seattle International

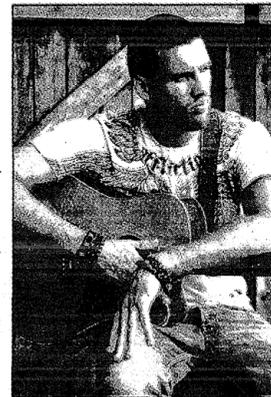
Comedy Competition and a finalist at Las Vegas Comedy Festival's *Laugh Across America Contest*.

In 2005, Hamilton won America's Next Great Comic Search, which included a national tour. Hamilton made his Comedy Central debut on *Live at Gotham* in 2007.

The evening also includes a performance by Comedian Steve Macone (content may contain adult material.) For tickets, \$15, call (734) 394-5460, visit www.cantonmi.org/villagetheater or purchase at the Village Theater, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton.



Hamilton



Horlock

LOCAL ROCKERS RELEASE CDS AT MAGIC BAG

Two of metro Detroit's top rock artists — Brandon Calhoon and Robin Horlock — celebrate the release of their new discs with a joint CD release party Friday, Jan. 23 at The Magic Bag in Ferndale. Doors are at 8 p.m., tickets are \$8 and ages 18 and over are welcome. Ann Arbor roots rock quartet Dirt Road Logic open the show.

Brandon Calhoon, of Berkley, has been a contender on CBS' hit reality TV show *Rock Star INXS* with his gritty neo-Motown rock 'n' roll style. His debut CD *Detroit City* was released on Blunk Street Music.

Robin Horlock, of Northville, is hot off an 89x-sponsored New Year's Eve performance with Blind Melon. He is celebrating the release of his second full-length CD *Music* (Risk 2 Try Records), an eleven-song disc is an engaging mix of rock, pop, folk/acoustic and reggae.

The Magic Bag is located at 22920 Woodward Ave. For more information, call (248) 544-3030 or visit www.themagicbag.com.

LIVONIA SYMPHONY SPOTLIGHTS DSO BASSOONIST

The Livonia Symphony Orchestra presents a Viennese Classics Celebration 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24, at Clarendonville High School, 20155 Middlebelt, south of Eight Mile, Livonia.

Guest artist is Robert Williams, principal bassoonist with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. He performs Karl Maria von Weber's Concerto for Bassoon and Orchestra.

Tickets are \$17, \$5 students, and available by calling the hotline at (734) 421-1111. For group discounts of 10 or more \$12

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Circus-themed family event a 'hoot'

Well, I've finally returned to the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers after taking a 12-week maternity leave.

Being back at work also means practice with the Mydols has resumed. Since we're an all-mom band, it was no problem going on hiatus so that I could bond with my new baby daughter Violet. But now it's time to buckle down, and since we have a new lead singer and drummer, we have quite a bit of work to do.

Our next gig is the Circus Family Hootenanny 2:30-5 p.m. this Sunday at the Magic Stick. Our new lead singer, April

Boyle, has been staging Family Hootenannies since 2001. The events bring local musicians together to play kid-friendly music at hip venues throughout metro Detroit. April

told me she was inspired to start the Hootenannies after attending a similar event in Chicago.

She's married to musician Brian Boyle, a founding member of the popular alt-country band Blanche, and has always been deeply involved in the music scene, so she was horrified upon becoming a mom to find that Barney, Disney and Kindermusic were taking over her stereo. She decided to do something about it.

"I wanted my kids to be exposed to real music, something fun and cool that I could enjoy too," she said.

So, twice a year April stages Hootenannies and she has even put out two amazing compilation CDs featuring local bands - the Detroit Family Hootenanny in 2006; and Christmas Hootenanny in 2007.

At the upcoming Circus-themed Hootenanny, the Mydols will be joined by Almond Joy from Candy Band and Mr. Seley. In addition to the music, a major highlight will be Hoopin' for the Hood, a band of local hula hoop enthu-

siasts who make and distribute hoops to at-risk kids, and promote hooping as a form of fun and physical fitness.

We're playing a new song, "Hula Twist," in their honor.

I'm looking forward attending the Hootenanny with my 3-year-old Verick, along with Violet in her Baby Bjorn, and I hope lots of other families show up. Popcorn, face painting, balloon animals, circus performers and a DIY craft show will add to the fun.

It will be the first gig for our new drummer Laura Sperr, a Madison Heights mother of six who started playing drums after she got hooked on the Rock Band video game.

Of course, since we're a mom band, we're most concerned with what we're going to wear. So far plans include circus-themed costumes like a trapeze artist, ringmaster, snake charmer and lion tamer.

The Mydols might not be 'the greatest show on earth,' but we sure have a great time.



Boyle



Wendy Von Buskirk



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Oakland County hosts 2nd annual Ice Fest

ROCHESTER — A TasteFest, toboggan run and dog sled rides are new highlights for the second annual Fire & Ice Fest, Jan. 23-24 in Downtown Rochester.

Snow shoeing, ice sculptures, cross-country skiing and ice skating also will be part of the family event, presented by Oakland County, the Rochester Downtown Development Authority and Oakland County Parks.

Fire & Ice Fest is free to the public.

County Executive L. Brooks Patterson and Rochester Mayor Jeffrey Cuthbertson will kick off the festival at 7:50 p.m. Friday. Fireworks will follow the opening ceremonies on Friday and the closing ceremonies on Saturday near the corner of East Third and Water Streets, at about 8 p.m. each night.

The TasteFest includes offerings from Andiamo Osteria, Bean & Leaf Café, Gus

O'Connor's Public House; Mind, Body & Spirits; Rochester Mills Beer Co., and the Royal Park Hotel. An ice-carving demonstration is set for Friday evening behind the Rochester Mills Beer Co.

"We want everyone to come out and enjoy what Rochester and Oakland County have to offer," Patterson said. "We've put together a program that is a true celebration of winter. You can learn to snow shoe, take a ride down the toboggan run, go on a horse-drawn trolley or just enjoy the ice carvings. We live in a state that embraces winter and I hope everyone takes advantage of it. And if you haven't seen fireworks in winter, you're in for a real treat."

The festival runs 6-9 p.m. Friday; and noon-9 p.m. Saturday. For more information, visit www.oakgov.com or www.DowntownRochesterMI.com.

FIRE & ICE FEST

Friday, Jan. 23:

6-9 p.m.: Under the Sea ice sculpture show, Shopping Spectacular, entertainment by Kevin T & the Firebirds, ice skating (bring your own skates), TasteFest, toboggan run, ice-carving demo, free horse-drawn trolley rides
7:50-8 p.m.: Opening Ceremony
8 p.m.: Fireworks

Saturday, Jan. 24

Noon-6 p.m.: Dogsled demos and rides, Geocaching scavenger hunt
Noon-8 p.m.: Shopping Spectacular, toboggan run
Noon-9 p.m.: Under the Sea ice sculpture show,

ice skating, TasteFest

1-4 p.m.: Free horse-drawn trolley rides
2-6 p.m.: Cross country skiing instruction, snow shoeing, snowmen and snow angels
7:50-8 p.m.: Closing Ceremony

8 p.m.: Fireworks

Entertainment:

Noon: Magician Tom Plunkard
1 p.m.: South Eastern Michigan Indians
2 p.m.: JC's Drummin' Music Center
3 p.m.: OU Gospel Choir
4 p.m.: Paul Green School of Rock Music
5 p.m.: Juggler Ric Roc Zoo
6 p.m.: Good Gravy Band

Brave the cold and celebrate the blues

Ferndale Mayor Craig Covey sounded as if he were writing the lyrics to a blues song as we talked about the upcoming eighth annual Ferndale Blues Festival, set for Jan. 23-31.

"The weather is bad. The economy is worse. It's easy to hole up for the winter," he mused. "You've got to get out and get some fresh air, mingle with people and listen to music. Music soothes the soul."

With more than 60 concerts at two dozen venues, there will be plenty of opportunities

during the nine-day festival to celebrate your troubles, have a great time listening to live blues music, and help out two worthy charities — Ferndale Youth Assistance and the Midwest AIDS Prevention Coalition (MAPP) of which Covey is the founder and CEO.

Last year, the festival raised almost \$25,000, said Monica Mills of MAPP, who along with Covey and other volunteers founded the city-wide blues fest. Most of the concerts are free.

Aside from some sponsorship monies, the majority of funds are raised by volunteers who encourage concert goers to "feed" the blue pig banks found at venues around town.

"We have volunteers who pass the pigs around during breaks in the music," Mills said.

"The bar owners pay for the

bands but they don't charge a cover charge, so we expect the patrons to pony up and put something in the pig."

"We have about 50 to 60 volunteers over the nine-day period who are the backbone of this effort," Covey said. "Our volunteers represent everything from millennial, twenty-something kids to grandmas. We have a host of volunteers from the senior group ... They're the best because it's hard to turn down a little old lady who's trying to get you to put a dollar in the little blue pig."

BEST OF THE BLUES

Of course, it's the music that draws crowds to downtown Ferndale, even on the dreariest nights. A major sponsor of the Blues Fest, Dino's hosts entertainment every day of the festival. Owner Dean Bach and wife Denise (of the band Bocco) started booking in March to create an eclectic lineup of entertainment that includes the Black Cat Blues Band, Chris Canas Blues Revolution, the Sax Maniacs, and The Reefermen.

"Traditionally, I do not do blues music for nine days in a row. I couldn't handle it," Bach said with a laugh. "I have some gypsy blues/rock with The Luddites. Denise has more acoustic, classic rock covers, and I have the Calcutta Rugs, a rock and roll band, opening the Blues Festival."

Dino's raised nearly \$10,000 for the festival charities last year, due in part to a highly successful Barbecue Rib "Burn off" held in a heated tent. Bach

will sponsor the cook-off again this year on the last day of the Blues Fest. For a \$10 entrance fee visitors can taste specialty ribs prepared by several competitors and vote for their favorite. The Howling Diablos will be rockin' in the tent early that evening.

"It's a lot of work, I'm not going to kid you," said Bach, who also serves up hot dogs and beer in the tent. "Last year we got four inches of snow the day before and we were scratching our heads as to how this was going to affect it ... It turned out to be a fun party."

Terri Reeder, executive manager of Rosie O'Grady's, also books early to get the best blues acts. Luther "Badman" Keith, Doug Deming & the Jewel Tones, Bobby Murray & Lenny Watkins, and Pete (Big Dog) Fetter are on this year's schedule.

"The bands start at 9 p.m. Usually if people want a seat they need to get here by 8 p.m. because the place fills up fast. If they have groups of six or more I recommend they make reservations," said Reeder, who holds raffles and gives away prizes on the nights when groups perform.

BIRTHDAY BLUES

Rosie O'Grady's will feature Alberta Adams, "Detroit's Queen of the Blues," on the final night of the festival. Covey, who turns 50 at midnight (his birthday is Feb. 1), said he asked Reeder if she would book the "jump blues" artist who is well into her 90s.

"My birthday will be celebrated on Saturday and we're

going to do a concert for the mayor at Rosie O'Grady's. I'm really excited about that," Covey said. "Another one, Bobby Murray, one of the world's most accomplished guitar players who plays for Etta James, is also going to play that evening at Woodward Avenue Brewers, so I'll be going back and forth to those two venues."

It's likely that Covey will wrap up his birthday celebration at Tony's Sport's Bar (a small place that can, maybe, pack in 50 people) to see the rock and blues band Albert Young and the Straight 8's play into the wee hours.

"He really doesn't play anywhere else. They just play here," said bar owner Tony Bielski, who hosts the group on the last weekend of the festival every year. "People know him. They come to see him, and his band is really good."

With so many concerts to choose from, Covey said, sometimes it's the little venues on an odd night that can surprise you.

"You'll have people just show up and join in," he said. "There'll be a band playing and a guy will take a break and someone from the audience will get up, and it turns out to be somebody really big."

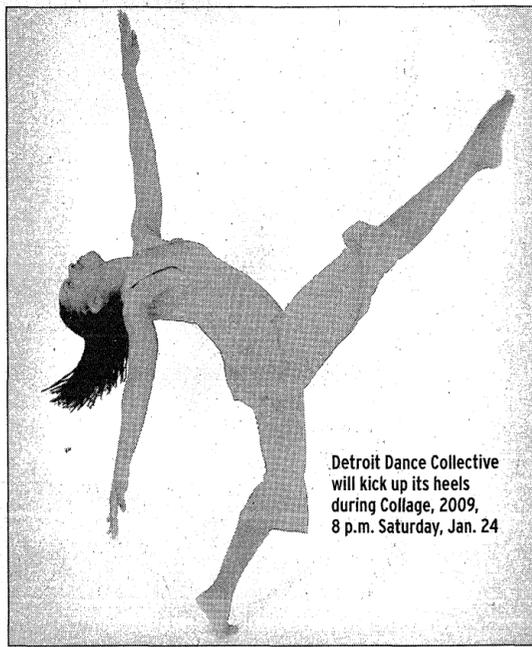
A free shuttle will run between all the venues on Friday and Saturday nights. To see the Blues Fest schedule and venue locations, visit www.ferndalebluesfestival.org.

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Detroit Dance Collective will kick up its heels during Collage, 2009, 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24

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each), call Ron Laing at (313) 538-2536.

The concert is sponsored by Livonia Town Hall.

DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE PRESENTS 'COLLAGE, 2009'

The Detroit Dance Collective will kick up its heels during Collage, 2009, 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24, with another matinee tomorrow at 3 p.m., at the Ford Community & Performing Arts Center, Studio A. This annual performance highlights the work of numerous artists including Detroit Dance Collective artistic director, Barbara Selinger, of Farmington Hills. Also featured will be a performance by Marygrove College

Dance Company. An 'Artistic Insights' Q&A will follow the performance. For tickets, \$15, students and seniors, \$12, call (313) 934-2354 or visit www.detroitdancecollective.org.

OAKLAND BRASS BAND PLAYS AT BERKLEY HIGH

The Oakland Brass Band, a non-profit organization committed to British brass band traditions, will perform 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30 at Berkley High School. The ensemble was founded in 2006 by several local musicians with the desire to provide Detroit area professional and semi-professional musicians with an outlet for expressing their talent through the brass band style and heritage. Tickets are \$15; \$9 seniors/college students; free, under 18. For more information and to hear the Oakland Brass Band, visit www.oaklandbrassband.com.

Southfield company tapped to bring 'Intent' to big screen

New Castle Entertainment has signed on with Parallax Production Studios in Michigan to help bring their suspense thriller *Intent* to theaters. The agreement includes creative and technical work on editing, creating trailers and film mastering. The announcement was made by Calvin Perry, CEO at Parallax.

"This movie is perfect because it lets us showcase our superb Michigan production talent and versatility," said Perry. "We believe *Intent* is going to do extremely well and that's good for New Castle and just great for making films in Michigan."

Parallax was given the opportunity to take on the project after state-sponsored production incentives in Florida, where the picture was originally scheduled to be shot, were dramatically cut by the Florida legislature.

Producers then decided to take advantage of Michigan's favorable incentives and moved production to Michigan where

filming on *Intent* finished last month.

"Michigan has incredible incentives working right now — up to 42 percent in production rebates even if the films are not shot here in-state," Perry reported. "Consequently, producers and directors all over the world are learning about Parallax Production Studios, our best-in-industry equipment and our seasoned creative talent. When you put those elements next to literally millions of dollars in savings and rebates, it's clear where the movie industry is going," said Perry. "And we're greeting it with open arms."

Before Parallax opened, there were no facilities in or around Michigan with the kind of high-end film transfer and color correction technologies filmmakers demand.

For more information on Parallax Production Studios, call (248) 357-5500 or visit parallaxproductionstudios.com. For more information about "Intent," visit www.intentmovie.com.



Tune in Time

When Actress Sigourney Weaver spent a few months in Oakland County last summer filming the Lifetime movie *Prayers for Bobby* — an emotional true story about a mother struggling to accept that her son is gay — the production opened doors for aspiring local actors. Five students from Beverly Hills' Groves High School earned parts — including graduate Shannon Eagen who portrays Bobby's sister and Anna Badalamenti who plays Bobby's girlfriend. Also earning smaller roles in the film were Hillary Sussman, Allyson Rupe and Spencer Perrenoud, who can be seen hugging Weaver during the final parade scene in the film's trailer online now at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IBVcTpKx3g>. West Bloomfield actor and filmmaker Sam Logan Khaleghi served as a casting assistant and played a small part in the film as well. Now, the wait is over for all involved. The movie is set to air at 9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24 on the Lifetime cable network. Learn more at www.mylifetime.com.

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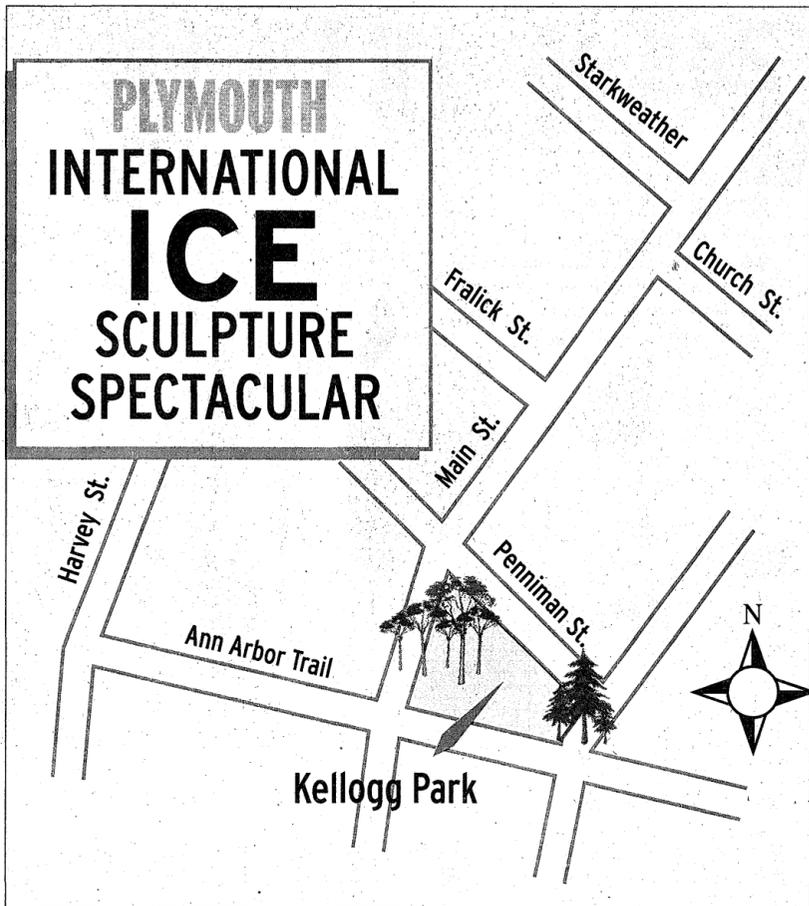
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This ice sculpture of a Native American is surrounded by horses and is an example of a multiple-block display.

Ice carving is culinary arts specialty

BY WENSY VON BUSKIRK
O&E STAFF WRITER

The majority of ice carvers come to the unusual craft through the culinary arts. About 80 percent of carvers participating in the 2009 Plymouth Ice Sculpture Spectacular are chefs or culinary students, according to event organizer Mike Watts. "Many of the ice carvers are chefs or have been chefs, including our team from Japan, but we also have art students and others," Watt said. "This year the University of Michigan is bringing a team of 12 carvers and they do not have a culinary program. We have been working with the students there, and they just love doing it."

Students who participate, including a team from Romulus High School, get real world experience carving displays throughout the weekend and competing in individual and team carving competitions.

The school to beat this year is Oakland Community College. Their ice carving team has won several competitions, including first place in the U.S. at last year's National Ice Carving Association competition in Frankenmuth.

Doug Gahns, a 15-year chef instructor at OCC-Orchard Ridge, will coach a team of eight students as they use chainsaws, high-speed die grinders and chisels to carve a 35-block display in downtown Plymouth.

"We are doing a springtime theme with butterflies, birds, dragonflies, lots of flowers," said Gahns, of Grosse Pointe. "It's so cold out and everyone's looking forward to spring right now, it just seemed like a good thing to do. Hopefully it will warm some hearts."

STUDENT COMPETITIONS

Friday, Jan. 23 - Official Opening

- 3-7 p.m.: High School Individual Competition in Kellogg Park, 1 block of ice, 4 hours to carve.
- Community College Ice Carving Clubs and Professional Carvers complete their non-competitive displays.

Saturday, Jan. 24:

- Noon-4 p.m.: College Individual Competition in Kellogg Park, 1 block of ice, 4 hours to carve.

Sunday, Jan. 25:

- 11 a.m.-3 p.m.: College Team Competition in Kellogg Park, 3 blocks of ice, 4 hours to carve. Participating Schools: Henry Ford, Macomb, Oakland, Schoolcraft and Washtenaw community colleges; University of Michigan; Eastern Michigan University; Romulus High School and Oakland Tech-Southwest Campus.

According to Gahns, ice carving is an elective at OCC that only a small percentage of culinary students choose to take.

Even fewer continue to pursue the sub-specialty professionally. Those who do go on to create ice sculptures for banquets, weddings and parties that start at around \$250 and go into the thousands.

For a corporate party, Gahns once sculpted a life-size knight on a horse, as well as individual castles as centerpieces for each table. Together they cost more than \$5,000, and didn't last beyond the night.

Gahns said his team is looking forward to the college competitions this weekend. "We like to win here. We're very competitive — in a nice way," he said.

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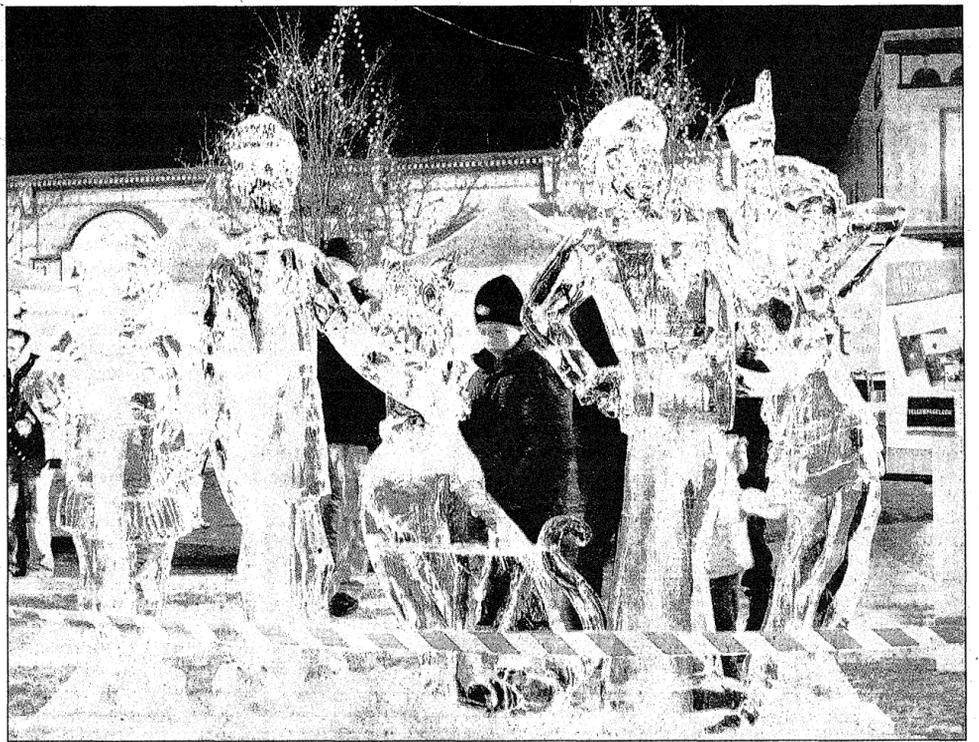
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Find work in the film biz with new local FIT courses

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA
O&E STAFF WRITER

So you want to work in the movie business? Ferndale-based film production company S3 Entertainment Group has established new courses to better prepare interested newcomers to the entertainment business. More than 20 films were shot in Michigan last year, thanks to a new film tax incentive of up to 42 percent for productions costing more than \$50,000. The film industry has been booming in and around metro Detroit, and S3EG has been growing right along with it.

The company recently launched Film Industry Training, FIT, an educational branch and the realization of a longtime plan. "The goal here is jobs," said Jeffrey Spilman, a managing partner of S3EG. "There are a lot of programs out there that do training. They don't take it to the next step."

Spilman, a Birmingham resident, considers this a three-pronged approach. For every student who enrolls in a FIT course, a guaranteed internship and job placement will then follow.

The program also marks a collaboration between S3EG and Oakland Community College, with classes to be held at the Ferndale S3EG headquarters beginning Feb. 2.

"The dramatic growth of Michigan's film industry has led to an abundance of career opportunities for residents in the state," said Rochelle Kaye, program manager. "At OCC, we constantly strive to align the needs of the workforce with the programs we offer to our students, and the Film Industry Training program presents us with an ideal platform to prepare our students for careers in this growing industry. The experience and facilities that S3 Entertainment Group has to

offer will be a tremendous benefit to students in the program."

Two FIT classes are now open to enrollment. The first is a Film Industry Training Overview course, meant to educate interested students about the careers available in film production. The other course is a Grip/Electric/Generator Operator class which will take a hands-on approach to training. Each course is 40 hours, instructed over two weeks. Classes will be 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday with one 8-hour hands-on production class on Saturday.

Rather than just giving students a certificate of completion once the program is over, Spilman said, S3EG offers a network of support services to ensure experience and exposure in the field. Students will learn from and work with industry professionals in a studio setting.

"When you work with someone you can tell when they have it and when they don't," said Spilman. The FIT program and approach allows a close-knit working environment from training through to the films S3EG works with around the state.

"There will be thousands of jobs when the studios open," he said, adding that the FIT program will make sure those jobs are filled with fully-trained and interested employees.

The Michigan Film Office has approved about 70 productions for filming this year, which is sure to translate to employment opportunities for film support industries, such as equipment rental houses, movie studios and post-production facilities.

For more information or to register, call (248) 232-4182 or visit www.S3eg.com.

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Movie awards season in full swing, see local favorites

With the Critics Choice and Golden Globe awards tucked neatly behind us, it's safe to say awards season is in full swing for 2009. Before you settle in with popcorn and host Hugh Jackman to watch the 81st annual Academy Awards, set to air Feb. 22 on NBC, consider the films that resonated with local movie critics.

The Detroit Film Critics Society recently released its Best Of 2008 winners in eight categories. Founded in 2007, the society includes a group of 20 Michigan film critics who write or broadcast in the metro Detroit area or other major cities within a 150-mile radius. Members submitted their top five picks in the following categories: Best Picture, Best Director, Best Actor, Best Actress, Best Supporting Actor, Best Supporting Actress, Best Ensemble, and Best Newcomer.

From these submissions, each entry was assigned a point value. The top five films in each category were placed on a final ballot for voting. The results have been tabulated and the winners (in bold) were decided as follows:

- Best Film**
The Dark Knight
Frost/Nixon
Slumdog Millionaire
Wall-e
The Wrestler
- Best Director**
Darren Aronofsky - *The Wrestler*
Danny Boyle - *Slumdog Millionaire*
Ron Howard - *Frost/Nixon*
Christopher Nolan - *The Dark Knight*
Andrew Stanton - *Wall-e*
- Best Actor**
Josh Brolin - *W*
Leonardo DiCaprio - *Revolutionary Road*

- Best Actress**
Anne Hathaway - *Rachel Getting Married*
Sally Hawkins - *Happy Go Lucky*
Melissa Leo - *Frozen River*
Meryl Streep - *Doubt*
Kate Winslet - *Revolutionary Road*
- Best Supporting Actor**
Robert Downey, Jr. - *Tropic Thunder*
James Franco - *Pineapple Express*
Heath Ledger - *The Dark Knight*
Eddie Marsan - *Happy Go Lucky*
Michael Shannon - *Revolutionary Road*
- Best Supporting Actress**
Amy Adams - *Doubt*

- Best Ensemble**
Burn After Reading
Frost/Nixon
Rachel Getting Married
Revolutionary Road
Tropic Thunder
- Best Newcomer**
Rosemarie Dewitt - *Rachel Getting Married*
Rebecca Hall - *Frost/Nixon*
& *Vicky Cristina Barcelona*
Danny McBride - *Pineapple Express*
Martin McDonagh - *In Bruges* (writer/director)
Dev Patel - *Slumdog Millionaire*
Catinca Untaru - *The Fall*

Learn more at DetroitFilmCritics.com.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Opening Friday, Jan. 23:

Inkheart: Based on the best-selling book by Cornelia Funke, this film is a fantasy adventure that sends a father and daughter on a quest through worlds both real and imagined. Mortimer "Mo" Folchart (Brendan Fraser) and his 12-year-old daughter, Meggie (Eliza Hope Bennett), share a passion for books. What they also share is an extraordinary gift for bringing characters from books to life when they read aloud. But there is a danger. When a character is brought to life from a book, a real person disappears into its pages. Directed by Iain Softley, this film is rated PG.

Last Chance Harvey: Academy Award winners Dustin Hoffman and Emma Thompson reunite in this hopeful romance that celebrates new beginnings at any age. The film is directed and written by Joel Hopkin. New Yorker Harvey Shine is on the verge of losing his dead-end job as a jingle writer. Warned by his boss (Richard Schiff) that he has just one more chance to deliver, Harvey goes to London for a weekend to attend his daughter's (Liane Balaban) wedding but promises to be back on Monday morning to make an important meeting — or else. Rated PG-13.

Outlander: This film stars Jim Caviezel, Sophia Myles, Jack Huston and Ron Perlman. It is not yet rated.

Taken: This film stars Liam Neeson as Bryan Mills, an ex-government operative who has less than four days to find his kidnapped daughter, who has been taken on her first day of vacation in Paris. Also starring Maggie Grace, Leland Orser, Jon Gries, David Warshofsky, Katie Cassidy, Holly Valance and Pamke

Janssen. Directed by Pierre Morel. Rated PG-13.

Underworld: Rise Of The Lycans: This film delves into the origins of the centuries-old blood feud between the aristocratic vampires, known as Death Dealers, and the barbaric Lycans (werewolves). A young Lycan, Lucian (Michael Sheen), emerges as a powerful leader who rallies the werewolves to rise up against Viktor (Bill Nighy), the cruel vampire king who has persecuted them for hundreds of years. Lucian is joined by his secret lover, the beautiful vampire Sonja (Rhona Mitra), in his battle to free the Lycans from their brutal enslavement. Rated R.

Opening Friday, Jan. 30:
New In Town: Lucy Hill (Renée Zellweger) is an ambitious, up and coming executive living in Miami. She loves her shoes, she loves her cars and she loves climbing the corporate ladder. When she is offered a temporary assignment — in the middle of nowhere — to restructure a manufacturing plant, she jumps at the opportunity, knowing that a big promotion is close at hand. What begins as a straight forward job assignment becomes a life changing experience as Lucy discovers greater meaning in her life and most unexpectedly, the man of her dreams (Harry Connick, Jr.). Rated PG-13.

The Uninvited: In this suspense thriller, based on Kim Jee-woon's 2003 Korean horror film *Changhwa, Hongryon*, Anna (Emily Browning) returns home after spending time in a psychiatric facility following her mother's tragic death and discovers that her mother's former nurse, Rachel (Elizabeth Banks), has moved into their house and become engaged

to her father (David Strathairn). Soon after she learns this shocking news, Anna is visited by her mother's ghost, who warns her that Rachel has evil intentions. Together, Anna and her sister (Arielle Kebbel) must convince their father that his new fiancée is not who she pretends to be, and what should have been a happy family reunion becomes a lethal battle of wits between stepdaughters and stepmothers. Directed by The Guard Brothers. Rated PG-13.

Opening Friday, Feb. 6:
He's Just Not That Into You: Based on the wildly popular bestseller from *Sex and the City* scribes Greg Behrendt and Liz Tuccillo, this movie tells the stories of a group of interconnected, Baltimore-based twenty- and thirtysomethings as they navigate their various relationships from the shallow end of the dating pool through the deep, murky waters of married life, trying to read the signs of the opposite sex, and hoping to be the exceptions to the "no-exceptions" rule.

The film boasts an all-star cast, including Ben Affleck, Jennifer Aniston, Drew Barrymore, Jennifer Connelly, Kevin Connolly, Bradley Cooper, Ginnifer Goodwin, Scarlett Johansson and Kris Kristofferson. This film is rated PG-13.

Dance Flick: This is a new comedy from the Wayans' brothers who brought you the hilarious *Scary Movie* franchise. Starring Damon Wayans Jr., Craig Wayans, Shoshana Bush, Essence Atkins, Affion Crockett. Written by Keenen Ivory Wayans, Shawn Wayans, Marlon Wayans, Craig Wayans and Damien Dante Wayans. Directed by Damien Dante Wayans. This film is not yet rated.

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Tajana Raukar works on a large sculpture of horses at the northwest corner of Kellogg Park during the 2008 festival. Her company, Ice Dreams, is located in Plymouth.



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ICE

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ning Japanese team will return to create masterpieces on site. They have been known to use up to 90 blocks of ice in their sculptures.

"The Japanese carvers tend to be more of the traditional style. They tend to finish their ice carvings with really sharp chisels that create facets in the ice like a diamond," Watts said. "Americans use more power tools. It's faster, easier and quicker and you know Americans are always in a hurry."

Carving teams from local colleges and high schools also will vie for awards.

Competitions and demonstrations take place each day of the festival, allowing visitors to see the works of art take shape.

But the sculptures — numbering more than 100 — will also be on display throughout the night, cast in the warm glow of lights.

Watts said forecasted temperatures are perfect for the festival — cold enough to ensure that the ice sculptures will endure the weekend, yet not too chilling as to discourage crowds.

Spectators can stay warm by stuffing free Grabber hand and feet warmers into their mittens and socks, as well as taking refuge inside local shops and eateries.

And for the first time this year, a Soup Kitchen will be set up on Sunday to raise money for future festivals, with hot soups provided by Plymouth restaurant E.G. Nick's.

"The Ice Spectacular will be serving it, with

proceeds going to the nonprofit to help keep the event alive going into next year," Watts said.

The festival kicks off on Friday, with the placement of carvings in Kellogg Park and around downtown at sponsoring merchants, and the opening of the "Grand Sponsor Displays" on Main Street. Carving competitions commence at 3 p.m. with the High School Individuals competitions. That evening the sculptures will be lighted for the first time.

On Saturday, between 11:30-1:30 Radio Disney will host a Sing-Along and give out prizes, and Plymouth Whalers will sign autographs.

On both Saturday and Sunday, a master woodcarving group will create and sell their wares, and St. Joseph Mercy Health System will offer free health information to visitors.

College and high school team and individual competitions take place all weekend, and include Henry Ford, Macomb, Oakland, Schoolcraft and Washtenaw community colleges; University of Michigan, Eastern Michigan University, Romulus High School and Oakland Tech-Southwest Campus.

And throughout, hundreds of thousands of pounds of ice, delivered in mammoth 330-pound blocks, will take shape under the craftsmanship of professional and amateur carvers.

"We have many people who watch the carving, go shop and get something to eat, then come back and see how it's progressed," Watts said. "It's one of the only art forms where you see something created right in front of you."

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Canton's Ted Wakar carves during the 2008 festival.

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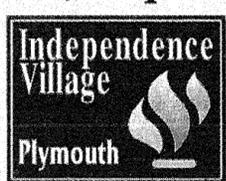
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