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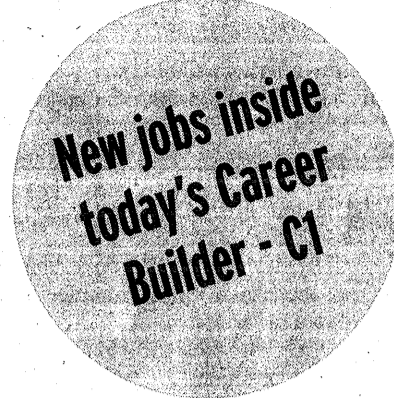
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## CLEARING THE AIR ON SMOKING



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When told about the state legislature's plans to ban smoking in bars Pam Reeder said, "I think they have better things to do," and added that business owners should make the decision for their own establishments. Reeder was at Hermann's Olde Town Grille in Plymouth.

## Locals not threatened by House smoking ban

BY MATT JACHMAN  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The smoke-filled barroom could soon be a thing of the past in Michigan.

The state House of Representatives, with a 73-31 vote late last month, approved a ban on smoking indoors in most public places, including bars and restaurants, and the legislation has moved on for a vote in the state Senate.

The bill would only allow smoking in public in smoke shops, cigar bars and in Detroit's casinos. The move comes amid concerns about the health risks workers and the public at large are exposed to by inhaling secondhand smoke.

"We must act now to put the health of our workers and our families first," Rep. Marc Coriveau, D-Northville, said in a press release after the House vote. Coriveau represents the Plymouth area and voted for the ban.

"Residents, and parents with children, especially, should be able to visit a restaurant without worrying about the deadly dangers of secondhand smoke," he said.

Some in Plymouth who would be affected by a ban aren't exactly rising up to oppose it.

"I don't know if it would affect us that much," said Peggy Doyle, the owner, with a brother, of Doyle's Tavern on Fralick. Doyle's has an outdoor patio where patrons could smoke, she said.

And, with a broad ban on lighting up, smokers would adapt, she said.

"If they couldn't smoke anywhere else either, then I think people would get used to it after a period of time," she said.

Doyle herself quit smoking about two months ago.

"I stopped smoking in the midst of everyone

**'If they couldn't smoke anywhere else either, then I think people would get used to it after a period of time.'**

PEGGY DOYLE,  
the owner, with a brother, of Doyle's Tavern on Fralick.

around me smoking," she said. But an increasing number of bar regulars don't smoke, she added.

"I will be all right, I think, one way or another," Doyle said.

At Compari's on the Park on Main, manager Patty Moses was less ambivalent.

"I'd like to see it passed, personally," Moses said.

She's not so much worried about secondhand smoke, she continued, "it's just that I don't like it and I just recently quit." It would be easier not to smoke, she said, if people around her didn't smoke either.

At Herman's Olde Town Grille on Liberty, in Old Village, a Plymouth woman who would give her name only as Felix said a total ban should be the establishment owner's choice.

"If it comes down to it, they're going to decide what they're going to decide," Felix said Thursday between Marlboro Lights.

Personally, she doesn't have a huge problem with a ban, but would rather see bars set a place aside "for those who are still suffering from the addiction," Felix said. She herself would like to quit, she said.

"It's bad for your health," she added. "I know that."

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## PIPELINE

### Flags and phones

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6695 and the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 528 of Plymouth-Canton conduct an American Flag Retirement Ceremony 1 p.m. Saturday, June 13 at the VFW post home, 1426 S. Mill St., in Plymouth (just north of Ann Arbor Road).

The public is welcome to see the ceremony, presented by The Boy Scouts of America.

Post members will accept flags to be retired at this time, as well as "cell phones for soldiers" and information to send active duty people free calling cards.

Johnson Controls of Plymouth brought in 50 phones this week.

For more information, call Gary Kubic at the VFW Post, (734) 459-6700, between 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.

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Call (313) 222-8899 for questions.

### Can drive

The Fiegel Elementary School PTO conducts a can drive 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, June 8, to raise much-needed funds for next year's activities and supplies for the classroom.

Due to the embezzlement charges that were recently brought upon former members, the PTO had to make some major cuts in the budget for next year.

The can drive will be at 39750 Joy Road in Plymouth, between Haggerty and Hix.

Any questions, please contact Kristina Wing at [kmwing@wowway.com](mailto:kmwing@wowway.com) or Andrea Chaparo at [aychaparro@yahoo.com](mailto:aychaparro@yahoo.com).

## District tinkers with budget

BY BRAD KADRICH  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton school administrators are pretty sure they're going to be able to balance the district's 2009-10 budget without dipping in to its fund balance.

But after word came down last week the state will likely take a \$265 bite out of the per-student foundation allowance starting next year, it might not matter.

The budget for next year will be balanced despite the \$265 state cut, according to figures presented by Supt. Dr. Craig Fiegel at Thursday's budget session, because the state will use federal stimulus money to balance the cut.

No such promise has been made for succeeding years. Fiegel's projected budget leaves the district some \$10 million in deficit in 2010-11. The cut, announced in a communications bulletin from Wayne RESA officials late last week, would cost Plymouth-Canton some \$5.1 million. It's necessary, RESA said, because the state school-aid fund shortfall is expected to be \$429 million this year and \$874 million in 2009-10.

While the \$265 cut will be replaced next year, budgets further out would also be affected.

"One of the key points here is to look at the out-years," Fiegel told board members at

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### No more books

Pastor Mark Moore presents co-valedictorian Victor Nicole Ruffin with a plaque honoring her achievement at the Agape Christian Academy commencement exercises. For the graduates and more photos, please turn to Page A3.

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## Plymouth street improvement program ready to roll this month

BY MATT JACHMAN  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Plymouth's street improvement program, a harbinger of summer in recent years, rolls out its next phase later this month.

This year's roughly \$1.5 million project will involve rebuilding or resurfacing portions of six residential streets, plus the repair or replacement, as needed, of water and sanitary sewer lines on those streets. Completion is expected by late fall.

The project got its final approval Monday with a unanimous City Commission vote.

Residents of Adams between Farmer and Junction are looking

forward to the improvements.

"All the other roads they've done except for ours," said resident David Buckland on Thursday, referring to improvements to streets in his neighborhood, "so I'm glad they're getting to it."

"It's pretty bad," Grant Gardner of the rough pavement outside his house. Nearby streets already completed "look really good," Gardner said.

The project will mean restricted vehicle access and parking, at times, for those on the affected streets, and officials have scheduled a 6:30 p.m. Tuesday meeting at City Hall during which residents can address these and other concerns.

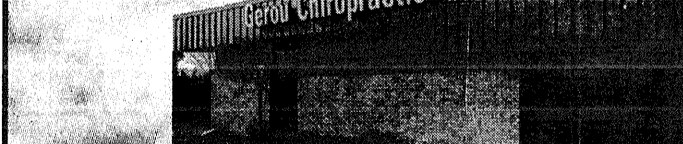
The meeting will also give residents of affected streets a chance to meet with the engineers and the city officials who will oversee the project, and to get questions answered. Engineers will provide an overview of the project on a street-by-street basis.

Gardner said he's heard from people he knows on already-paved streets that access during construction can be "a pain." He and his family, however, won't have as many problems as some: the Gardners can drive to their garage through a back alley.

In addition to the one block of Adams, streets to be improved

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AROUND PLYMOUTH

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Garden club meets

The next meeting of the Plymouth Branch of the Women's National Farm & Garden Association takes place 12:30 p.m. Monday, June 8.

The meeting will be a picnic and auction at 1369 Park Place. The auction will include various garden art & plants. For more information visit the club's Web site at Plymouthwnfga.googlepages.com.

Brass tour

Tim Zimmerman and the Kings Brass (www.kingsbrass.org) begin their 2009-2010 tour at Praise Baptist Church, Wednesday, June 10 at 7:30 p.m. with a dinner preceding the concert at 6 p.m. This group has been touring the country for 25 years and has performed in the largest churches in the country. Their concert consists of secular as well as Christian music. They play for all ages. A

love offering will be taken. Call (734) 455-2300 for tickets and additional information.

**Blood drive**

Lou LaRiche Chevrolet sponsors a blood drive 1:30-7 p.m. Thursday, June 11. The dealership is located at 40875 Plymouth Road in Plymouth. Call (734) 453-4600 to make an appointment.

Join the marching band

The Plymouth-Canton marching band is hosting its final informational meeting on Monday, June 15 for students and their parents who are interested in joining the 2009 marching band program, which is under the direction of David Armbruster, a Michigan native, who was hired by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools as director of bands at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park beginning in June. Armbruster was previously the director of bands at Northmont High School in Ohio. New band members and parents will have a chance to meet the new director at the June 15 meeting. The marching band recruit-



Scholarship winners

Plymouth Christian Academy graduating seniors Megan Greve of Canton and Spencer Wiard of Livonia were each awarded \$500 scholarships for their successes in Christian leadership and academic and athletic achievements. They were honored May 21 during the school's annual Honors Chapel for the graduating class of 2009. During this event, PCA's Athletic Booster Board in partnership with Holly Kornachuck of Farmers Insurance awarded the first ever Athletic/Academic Booster Board Scholarships to the two seniors. Pictured are (from left) PCA Booster Board President Bekki Nill, Wiard, Greve and Kornachuck.

ment meeting is designed for incoming 8th graders, but is open to any high school student. Interested students will spend time with the existing marchers enjoying pizza, while parents listen to a presentation by the Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters on how their 8th grader can become a member of the award-winning marching band for the 2009 summer/fall season. Interested students and their parents should report to Plymouth High School's band room at 7 p.m. For more information, visit www.pcmh.net.

When can I laugh?

PCS-Global (Counseling & Coaching Center) and New Hope Center for Grief Support will conduct a two-hour presentation 7-9 p.m. Monday, June 15, at the Northville Senior Community Center at 303 Main Street. This evening is free to the public. It will encompass stressful issues relating to grief through death and suicide, but also such topics as terminal illnesses, personal injuries, financial issues, divorce or separation, work related issues and retirement. PCS-Global is a counseling and coaching organization and New Hope is a grief support organization. Both are in Northville. The speakers for the evening will be Dr. John Mlinarcik PhD; LMSW and president of PCS-Global, Cathy Clough of Plymouth, the Executive Director at New Hope, each with over 24 years of experi-

ence and John O'Shaughnessy, Director at New Hope and author. For more information or to register call PCS-Global at (734) 542-6969 or stop by Northville's Old Church Square at 141 N. Center, Suite 202.

Tiger trip

The Plymouth Historical Museum is selling tickets to the Detroit Tigers vs. Kansas City Royals baseball game at Comerica Park on Monday, July 6. The tickets are in the upper deck behind the first-base dugout.

A luxury coach will pick up fans at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main Street, at 5 p.m., with a 5:15 p.m. departure for the ballpark. The game starts at 7:05 p.m. The coach will leave for Plymouth shortly after the game ends. The \$40 ticket price includes one upper deck seat and a round-trip luxury coach ride to the ballpark and back from the Museum. If July 6 doesn't work, the museum also has tickets and a luxury coach reserved for the Tigers vs. Cleveland Indians game Tuesday, Sept. 1.

The Museum's hours are 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. There may be someone in the administrative office on Mondays, but call (734) 455-8940 before coming to the Museum on that day. Tickets can also be purchased through PayPal from the Museum's website at http://www.plymouthhistory.org/Events.html.

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 Evergreen Street - From Penniman to Elm St.  
 Maple Street - From Sheldon Rd. to Harvey St.  
 Park Place - From Evergreen to McKinley St.  
 McKinley St. - From Maple to Ann Arbor Trail.  
 Blanche St. - Between Irvin and Sheldon Rd.

NOTE: Unimproved sections of Blanche St. between Irvin and Sheldon Rd.

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are Evergreen between Penniman and Elm, Maple between Sheldon Road and Harvey, Park Place from Evergreen to McKinley, and the yet-unimproved sections of Blanche between Irvin and Sheldon.

Pro-Line Asphalt of Washington Township is the general contractor on the project, which came in significantly under officials' cost estimates. Money for the street work is coming from a voter-approved bond issue for street improvements, and money for the water and sewer work is coming from the city's water and sewer fund.

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BUDGET

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Thursday's budget session. "If (the state) doesn't find other dollars and they cut everyone's foundation grant, you can assume you'll lose that money."

The announcement came at a time when Fiegel and James Larson-Schidler, the district's assistant superintendent for business services, thought they had a handle on next year's budget. The Board of Education had already approved more than \$900,000 in cuts, and Thursday approved an addition \$2.64 million.

Among the cuts approved Thursday were an elementary school staff reduction, building allocations and office supplies, a half-time field trip secretary, cuts in travel and a reduction in paraprofessionals.

The district also realized

savings in pre-purchasing natural gas and converting other energy savings, Fiegel told the board.

Among other proposals for budget reductions was an increase in class size at the K-2 level, from 26 to 28 students, but board members were quick to decline any action on such a move.

While the administration figures to balance the budget this year, much of the attention Thursday was focused on out-years. For instance, the budget for 2010-11 is projected to have a \$10 million deficit.

While optimistic about 2009-10, Fiegel warned board members it would be much more difficult to find \$10 million worth of cuts next year.

"You're not going to be able to cut your way out of this one," he told them. "You're going to have to restructure some things."

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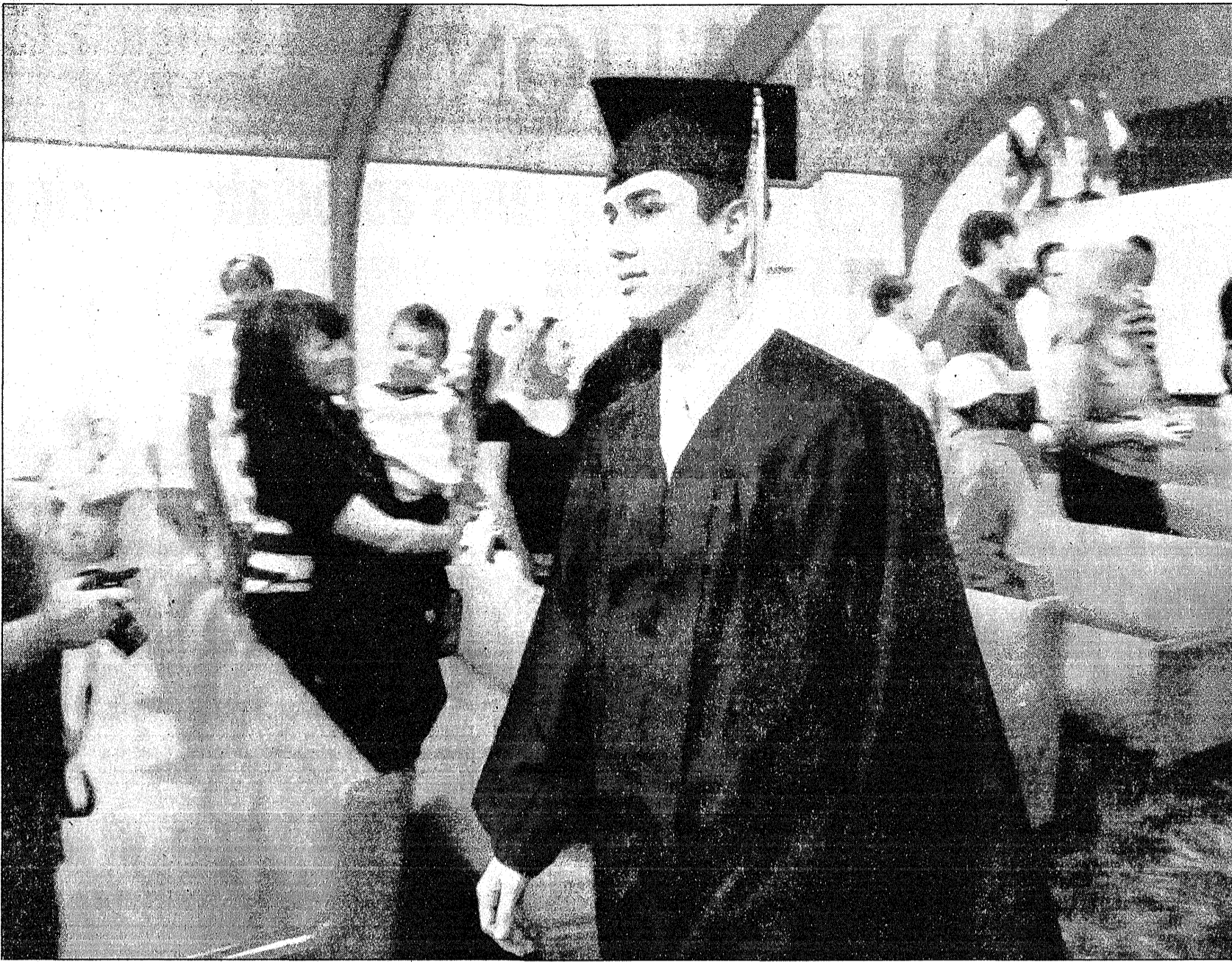
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# Fireworks fund-raising blasts toward goal

BY MATT JACHMAN  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

With nearly \$2,300 raised through a casual cookout last Saturday, Plymouth Township Treasurer Ron Edwards is optimistic he'll be able to secure enough donations for a community fireworks show this summer.

Edwards' goal is \$23,000, and he's got a good chunk of that committed already. He's set a deadline of Thursday, July 2, to get the rest.

Last Saturday's cookout at the Picnic Basket, a market and delicatessen on Ann Arbor Road, was a big boost. Owner Al Jonna donated hamburgers, hot dogs, soft drinks and chips, and sold the three-course lunches (hamburger or a hot dog, plus a drink and chips) for \$2 each. That raised \$1,142, and Jonna and wife Grace matched that amount with a contribution of their own.

Edwards has sought other sponsors as well, including a major corporate sponsor, and said the community can get a good pyrotechnics show for \$23,000.

The fireworks would be Friday, July 3, at Plymouth Township Park.

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## Summer camps

Plymouth-Canton Community Education is offering a number of summer camps and programs for all ages - pre-school to adult.

One of the most popular courses is the Safety Town Program for kindergarten and first graders, which teaches kids about house emergencies, emergency vehicles, fire safety, bicycle safety and stranger danger.

Registration is now open for all courses. For details visit the Community Education Web site [www.pccs.k12.mi.us](http://www.pccs.k12.mi.us) or call (734) 416-2937.

Scott Molnar marches into Agape Christian Academy's graduation ceremony.

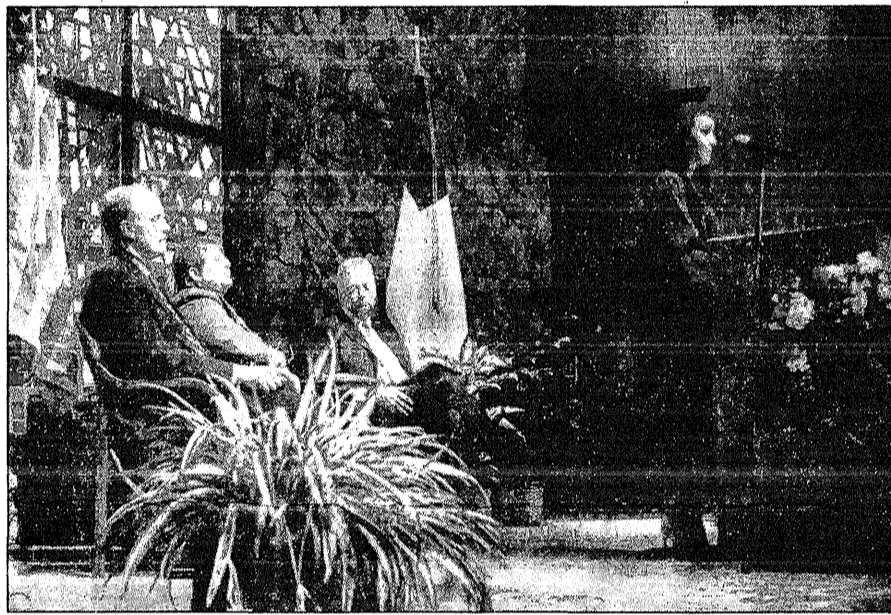
# Class of 2009 Agape grads take 1st step into future



Co-valedictorian Madison Lynn Hurley-Miller addresses the crowd at Agape Christian's graduation ceremony.

Following are the graduates from Agape Christian Academy's Class of 2009:

- Justin Ernest Benbow
- Andrea Teresa Lee
- Cameron John Lollo
- Madison Lynn Hurley-Miller
- Scott George Molnar
- Jenna Cassidy Peace
- Victori Nicole Ruffin
- Jene Rachelle Walker
- Katelin Joy Wallace
- Seth Jacob Wargowsky



Salutarian Katelin Joy Wallace at the podium during Agape Christian's graduation ceremony.

## DAY CAMP

The Plymouth Salvation Army is accepting applications for its 2009 Summer Day Camp. The program will run for nine weeks, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., June 15-Aug. 14. Applications are available in the business office located at 9451 South Main St., in Plymouth.

The summer program will consist of field trips, structured recreation, character building, and crafts. Pre-care and after-care are made available for working families. In recognition

of current economic hardships, weekly rates of \$55 have not been increased. An application fee of \$10 will be necessary to secure a spot. Limited scholarships are available to qualifying families and proof of income will be required. Interested parties wishing to underwrite scholarships may contact Major Pat Irvine at The Salvation Army.

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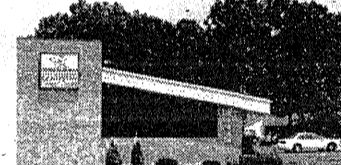
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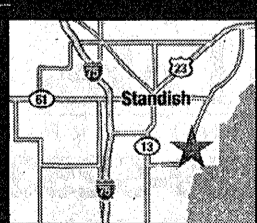
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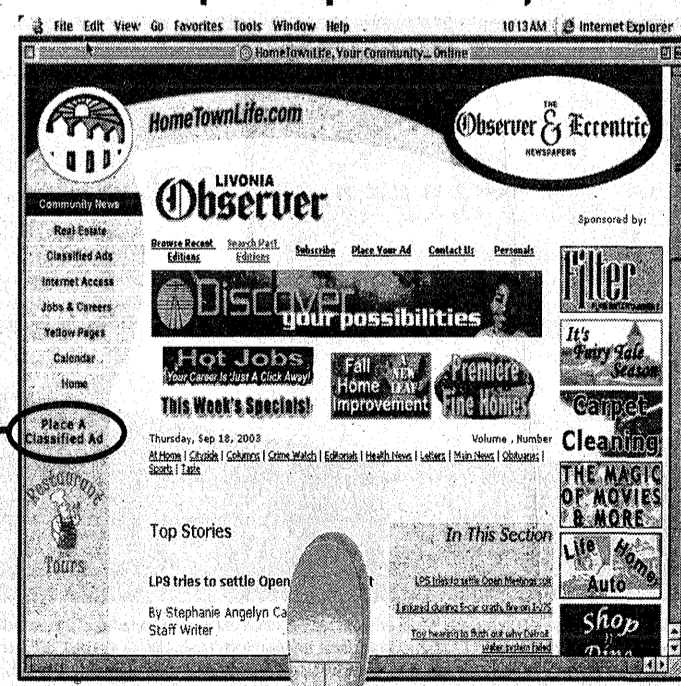
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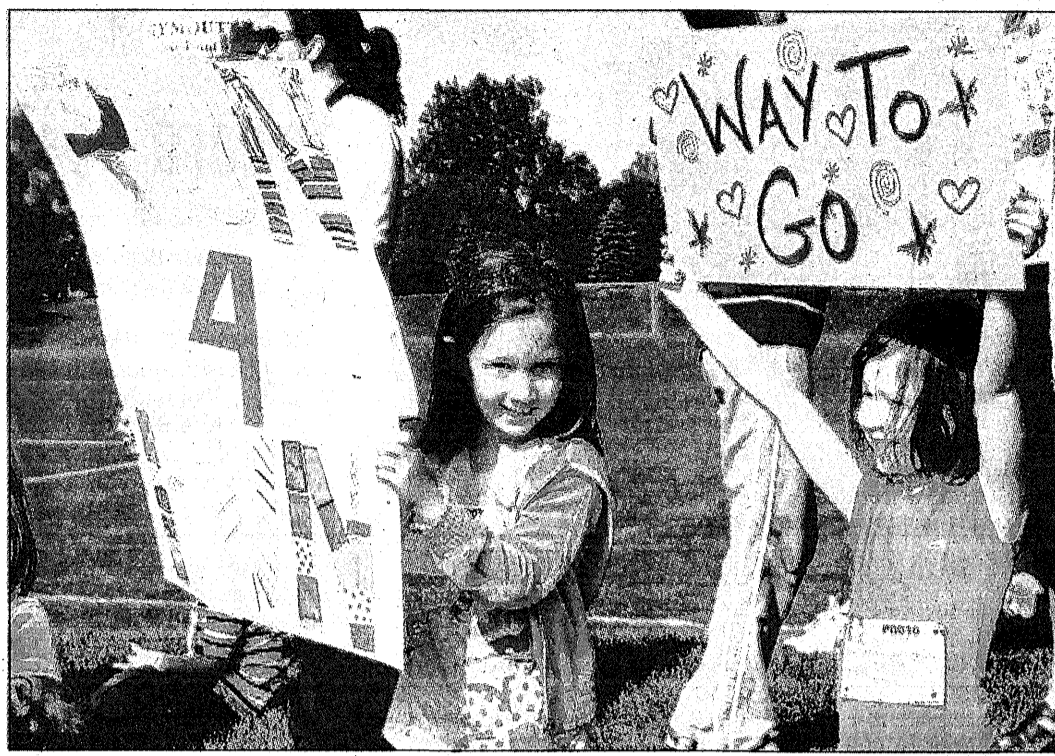
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# EDUCATION



Students supported students as New Morning School children logged more than the equivalent of six marathons.

## New Morning runners log more than six marathons

The students at New Morning School thrive in a culture of cooperative learning. And on Thursday, they had a chance to work together to reach a common goal: Running a marathon.

The entire school – 81 students ranging from preschool through grade eight – took part in the all-school event. The marathon required many runners and many strides, but the kids achieved their goal step-by-step.

The concept was developed by preschool teacher Molly Kramer. Every student was invited to be a part of a race where the winner was the school as a whole. Each classroom group prepared with age-appropriate training.

"If all of the students worked collaboratively and completed a total of 71 laps around the

.37 mile track at Lake Pointe Soccer Park, they could collectively run the distance of an entire marathon," Kramer explained.

More laps by more runners meant less work for individuals and allowed the students to reach their goal as a united team. The race was modeled after a real running event, complete with race numbers, water stations, and cheering fans. Teachers marked off each lap as it was completed.

The students at New Morning School astounded everyone. Not only did they surpass their goal of 71 laps, or 26.2 miles, but they collaboratively completed a total of 441 laps around the soccer park, for a grand total of 162 miles, the equivalent of 6.2 full marathons.

Children were encouraged

by the cheering crowd, and proud of their accomplishments. Many finished their first lap clamoring to do more. Students contributed anywhere from a single lap to upwards of four miles. Twenty-eight preschoolers and eleven kindergarteners single-handedly completed the first 71 laps and then just kept running.

"This just goes to show what it is possible to accomplish when you work together," Kramer said. "This event reflects exactly what New Morning School is all about: child-centered activities where interests and abilities collide. There were no imposed limits and each child was able to work to the best of his or her ability."

The all-school marathon will become an annual event.

## District lands associate principals

BY BRAD KADRICH  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The second phase of the restructuring of the leadership at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park was completed with the hiring of a trio of associate principals.

It's part of the district's plan to build a leadership structure that includes a park principal to oversee the entire park, with associate principals and assistant principals in each building.

Bill Zolkowski, principal at Redford Thurston High School, was hired last month to be the park principal.

Last week, the board approved the hiring of three associate principals, including internal candidates Pat Fitzpatrick and Erin MacGregor. The third hire, Carrie Lawler, spent seven years as an assistant principal at Dakota High School in Clinton Township.

Building assignments for the three haven't yet been determined. The associate principals will now join Zolkowski in choosing assistant principals for the three high schools.

Fitzpatrick had been serving as interim principal at Salem High School before leaving due to heart problems earlier this year. MacGregor is an assistant principal at the Park and also serves as department supervisor for social studies and world languages.

Fitzpatrick, who won't be back in school this year but is expected back in the fall, was one of six internal candidates among the 73 responses the district got to its posting.

"Fitz has been at the park since 1970, and he's done just about everything you can do at the park," said Ray Bihun, the district's executive director of human resources.

MacGregor is also the park's testing coordinator for the Michigan Merit Exam. He



Carrie Lawler (left) and Erin MacGregor were hired Tuesday, along with Pat Fitzpatrick, to be associate principals at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

taught social studies for five years, including a stint as the social studies representative to the Curriculum Coordinating Committee.

"I am genuinely excited to take on this opportunity," MacGregor said. "It's a great group of people to be working with."

Lawler was assistant principal at Dakota from 2001-2008. She oversaw the curriculum and planning in four departmental areas, implemented a successful freshman orientation program and handled discipline and attendance for more than 700 students.

Lawler was part of North Central accreditation visitation teams, evaluating plans, goals and actions for school improvement at Marine City Middle School and Garden City High School.

"She brings a unique perspective," Bihun said.

Lawler has a bachelor's degree in communications and a master's degree in curriculum and teaching from Michigan State University.

"I'm very excited to be here," Lawler said. "Everyone I've met has been top-notch."

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**Work starts on Montessori expansion**

A trailer and bulldozer are on site, and the basement is being dug. Families seeking high-quality Montessori education for infants through fifth-graders are seeing steady progress on Schoolhouse Montessori Academy's new campus on Haggerty just north of Palmer.

The 18,000 square-foot school is almost double the current space on North Canton Center Road and will welcome 100 more students — 288 total — while adding fourth and fifth grades.

"Parents are excited about the new facility because of its strong school atmosphere — a hallway leading to each warmly designed classroom, a multipurpose room, a bigger playground," Academy Director Lisa Rippon said. "We're investing in Canton because parents here seek excellence for their children, and demand for our school grows every year."

Schoolhouse Montessori Academy Canton South will be located off I-275, providing easy highway access for working parents, Ahwal said.

Construction will be complete next spring, in time for Summer Discovery School. Parents may visit [www.schoolhousemontessori.com](http://www.schoolhousemontessori.com). Applications are being accepted for fall enrollment.

**Comcast honor**

The Comcast Foundation has recognized the outstanding community service and academic achievements of senior Achala Gopal of Canton High School in Canton with a \$1,000 college scholarship.

The 2009 Comcast "Leaders and Achievers" Scholarship Program, one of the Comcast Foundation's signature community investment programs, honors students who have demonstrated leadership skills, academic achievement and a commitment to community service. The Comcast Foundation was founded in 1999 to provide charitable support to its local communities and to empower and enrich lives.

A resident of Canton, Gopal plans to attend Indiana University Bloomington and is among 122 young people from across the state to be honored this year by the Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship Program.

**Albion College**

Several local students have been named to the Albion College dean's list for the spring 2009 semester.

Students named to the Dean's List must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or above at the completion of the semester. This GPA must be based on at least three units in graded courses and a minimum of four units completed.

Matthew Baciak graduated from Albion College this month, receiving a degree in majoring in philosophy and political science, with a concentration in the Gerald R. Ford Institute for Public Policy and Service and Law, Justice and Society. He is the son of Jan and Ilona Baciak of Canton and a graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School.

Michael Brennan is a junior majoring in biology. He is the son of Lawrence and Linda Brennan of Plymouth and a gradu-

ate of Catholic Central High School.

Charlotte Daly is a junior majoring in music and art. She is the daughter of David Daly of Plymouth and Annemarie Linares of Plymouth and a graduate of Plymouth Christian Academy.

Jessica Eimers is a senior majoring in English education and minoring in psychology. She is the daughter of Michael and Mary Beth Eimers of Canton and a graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School.

Sara Fifield is a senior majoring in history and minoring in management-Gerstacker Track. She is the daughter of Debra Fifield of Plymouth and a graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School.

Hannah Mills is a sophomore at Albion College. She is the daughter of Jim and Susan Mills of Plymouth and a graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School.

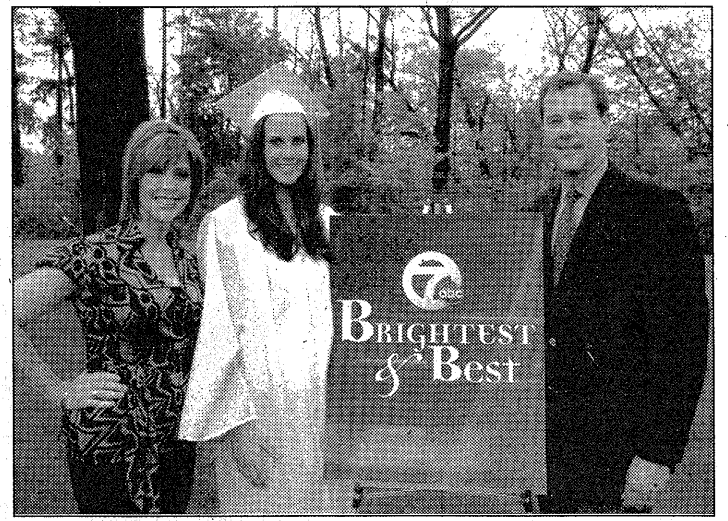
Ashley Van Esley graduated from Albion College this month, receiving a degree in majoring in art. She is the daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Van Esley of Plymouth and a graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School.

**Ashland University**

Emily Hoernschemy of Plymouth was among the students who made the Dean's List for the Spring 2009 Semester at Ashland University.

To be eligible for this honor a student must be enrolled full time and achieve at least a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Ashland University is a private, comprehensive institution located in north central Ohio between Cleveland and Columbus.



**One of the best**

Paula Manni of Canton (center), a student at Plymouth Christian Academy, poses with WXYZ morning anchor Alicia Smith and reporter Dave LewAllen. Manni was chosen one of the station's "Best and Brightest" students and was honored at the recent "Best and Brightest" event at the station's studio.

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# Fox 2 stars give laid-off worker a boost

"I don't know how this contest finds the nicest and finest people in the metro area, or how the 'stars' never let us down," said Marcy Brontman of Buddy's Pizza.

Brontman was referring to Dining with the Stars sponsored by Buddy's Pizza and the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers* and last month's lunch with Fox 2's weekend co-anchors, Deena Centofanti and Jay Towers.

The winner of the May contest was George LaBrosse of Westland. His wife, Linda, joined him at the luncheon along with his sister-in-law, Lynn Castrodale from Livonia, who submitted the winning entry for George.

"George watches Deena and Jay all the time, he's a big fan! He was recently laid off from his job. I would really like to see George and his wife, Linda, win. It would boost his spirits and would be such a huge surprise," Lynn wrote.

A surprise it was and Deena and Jay made them feel right at home



Fox 2 Detroit's Deena Centofanti and Jay Towers join Linda and George LaBrosse for lunch at Buddy's. The Westland couple was nominated by Lynn Castrodale, standing, at right.

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entrance and walked the red carpet. Awaiting Linda LaBrosse was Christine from The Beauty Salon in Birmingham for a makeup makeover.

"Bill Bresler from the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers* was there to shoot pictures, which made them feel really special," Brontman added.

The stars and winners enjoyed a Buddy's feast of pizzas, salads and burgers. They also sampled Buddy's new gluten-free pizza.

The Fred Astaire Dance Studio of Bloomfield Hills turned up the heat with some salsa dancing. Dancers Vadim Boldirev and Anastasiya McCurry rumbaied with George and Lynn.

Reaver Diamond Co. of Southfield presented a \$100 gift certificate and Buddy's joined with a few gift certificates as well.

"The place was rockin' and we at Buddy's were impressed with our Fox stars and their devoted fans," Brontman said.

Buddy's presented checks totaling \$500 to Deena (Special Olympics) and Jay (Ronald McDonald House) for their charities.

In addition to her weekend role, Centofanti is also the Fox 2 Health Works editor. She joined WJBK-TV in April 1997.

Centofanti balances a busy life as a journalist and mother. She and husband, Keith, are parents to three children: son Casey, born in 1999, daughter Ellie, born in 2002, and daughter Sophie, born in 2005.

Towers joined the Fox 2 weekend family as a features reporter. He was named co-anchor earlier this year. "I love my time with my TV family Deena and Justin (Ryan, meteorologist)," said Towers, who spends his free time at the movies and with his daughter, 6.

When not working weekends at Fox 2, Towers hosts mornings at 97.1 The Ticket on the Jay & Bill show.

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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.plymouthwp.org](http://www.plymouthwp.org).

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Joe Bridgman, CMC  
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## Laws are changing for Roth IRAs - do your homework

**Q: Dear Rick: I'm in my early 70s and I know this year I do not have to take an IRA distribution. However, if I decided to do a Roth IRA conversion, I would have to pay the taxes on that money this year. I was told that next year Roth IRA conversion rules are changing.**

A: Next year you will be able to convert money from your traditional IRA into a Roth IRA. However, unless Congress and the president decide to waive mandatory distributions for 2010, you would not be able to convert your required minimum distribution. You can, however, convert anything above and beyond. Required minimum distributions are not eligible to be converted into Roth IRAs. However, in 2009, the required minimum distributions have been waived, thus allowing many seniors to take advantage of Roth conversions.

There is some confusion as to what is happening to the tax laws next year with regard to Roth conversions. In order to convert money from a traditional IRA into a Roth, the rules have been that your mod-



Money Matters  
Rick Bloom

ified adjusted gross income, whether you are single or married, had to be less than \$100,000. Modified adjusted gross income is basically your gross income with some minor adjustments. It is the less than \$100,000 qualification that is disappearing in 2010. What that means is in 2010, anyone will be able to take advantage of a Roth conversion.

This year when you convert money into a Roth IRA, you must pay the taxes on that conversion in the same year. This rule is changing next year. In 2010, you can pay your taxes on your 2011 and 2012 tax return. By spreading the money out, it could prevent you from being thrown into a higher bracket.

In reviewing Roth conversions, the first issue is why would anyone want to convert? What are the advantages? The main advantage is the money

would now grow tax-free vs. tax-deferred.

In a Roth IRA, all your contributions and all the income can be withdrawn tax-free. When you withdraw money from a traditional IRA, you are taxed on the total withdrawal at your ordinary tax bracket. Therefore, the main advantage of converting is to be able to allow money to grow tax-free vs. tax-deferred.

Another advantage of a Roth is it is not subject to required minimum distributions. When someone turns 70½, with the exception of this year, he/she is required to take mandatory distributions from a traditional IRAs. Money in a Roth IRA is not subject to mandatory distributions. If you do not cash out your Roth IRA and it goes to your beneficiary upon death, they also have no income tax consequences. If someone inherits your traditional IRA, they must pay taxes at their ordinary income tax bracket when money is withdrawn.

I believe that Roth IRAs are excellent investment tools. If

you are working, there are two ways to get money into a Roth IRA. The first is to follow a Roth conversion, the second is to make a Roth IRA contribution. This year, the maximum contribution is \$5,000 or \$6,000 if you are 50 or older. To make a contribution, if you are single, your modified adjusted gross income must be less than \$120,000 and if you are married, your modified adjusted gross income must be less than \$176,000. If you are single and make over \$105,000 or are married and make over \$166,000, you are still eligible to make a Roth IRA contribution, however, the contribution amount begins to phase out at these income levels.

One last note, if you decide to convert money into a Roth IRA, do not wait until the end of the year. The transaction must be completed before Dec. 31.

**Rick Bloom** is a fee-only financial adviser. *Observer & Eccentric* readers can submit questions at [moneymatters@hometownlife.com](mailto:moneymatters@hometownlife.com). For more information, visit Rick's Web Site at [www.bloomassetmanagement.com](http://www.bloomassetmanagement.com).

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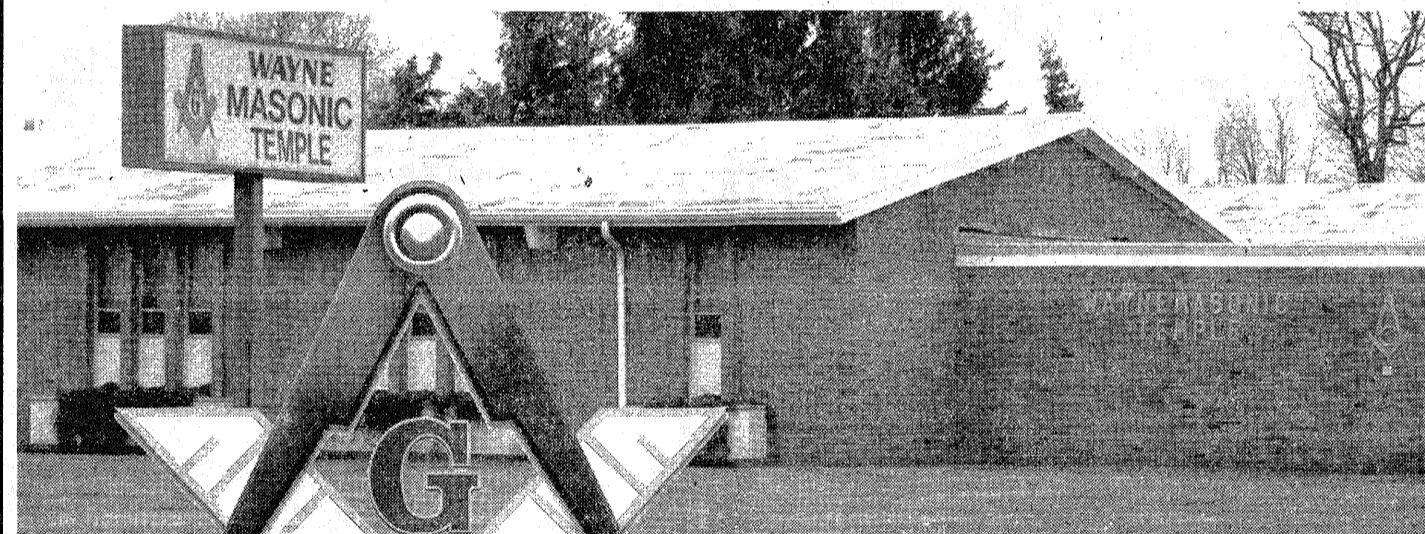
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# Experiment with something new at Mad Science

Scientific experiments that turn youthful curiosity into exuberance are the focus of a new Livonia company that brings science to life in classrooms, youth group meetings and birthday parties.

Mad Science of Detroit opened in Livonia earlier this year, giving the Detroit area its second franchise and the Canadian-based company some 160 franchises in 19 countries.

Mad Science trains adult technicians in safe and interesting lessons that involve rocket launching, chemical reactions, laser-light shows, periscope building and hovercraft rides. The company provides a series of 30- to 60-minute programs designed to fit various age groups from ages 3-12.

"The oohs and aahs are fun to hear and watch," said Rosalind Peck, president of the Livonia Mad Science franchise, which focuses on the Wayne County market.

"I watched my daughter teach a Mad Science program when she was in college and now she's a high school science teacher," Peck added. "It's fabulous for kids and many teachers and parents get into the programs as much as the children."

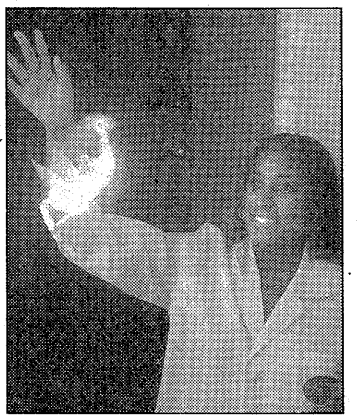
Peck is starting to penetrate the local market by providing after-school programs for Livonia Community Education and the Van Buren school system. She has many community partnership summer camps scheduled throughout Wayne County, as well as her own Mad Science camps at programs to begin in the fall.

"Our focus now is to get the word out about our programs," Peck said. "We are trying to reach schools, youth groups, families wanting quality birthday party entertainment, Scout groups and even companies. This is a great program for a company that coordinates a bring-your-child-to-work day or a summer party that includes children."

Mad Science was founded by a duo of teenage brothers in Montreal who impressed their friends and neighbors with their laser-light shows in the late 1980s. A local YMCA hired Ariel and Ron Shlien to conduct these laser-light shows and other scientific programs that grabbed the



Mad Scientists Rosalind Peck (right), owner of the business, and Dr. Stacy Gates, Ph.D., teach and entertain adults and children.



It's science and showmanship. Dr. Stacy Gates demonstrates flash paper.

"That is the best part of what we do."

Livonia Chamber of Commerce President Dan West said this is a company that provides a unique service and is situated in a perfect location.

"There are some 20,000 elementary and secondary students who live in Livonia, and they are involved in a number of clubs, groups and recreational programs outside of school," West said. "I imagine there will be a lot of opportunities for children in and out of Livonia to take advantage of Mad Science's interesting programs."

Along with Peck at Mad Science of Detroit is Dr. Stacy Gates, a recent University of Toledo graduate who earned a Ph.D. in chemistry. Both Peck and Gates are available to answer questions about the company's various programs. Parties can be held just about anywhere, and if a child is interested in checking out a Mad Science program parents can call the office or go online to get more information or to enroll in an upcoming program.

For more information, call Peck or Gates at (734) 266-9444, or e-mail the Stark Road office at [madsciencedetroit@um.att.com](mailto:madsciencedetroit@um.att.com). The Web site is [www.madscience.org/detroit](http://www.madscience.org/detroit).



Pop goes the cork. Dr. Stacy Gates uses pressure from carbon dioxide to blow the cork from the beaker.

attention of thousands of Montreal children within a few years.

By 1990, the Shlien brothers turned their curiosity into a company. Within six years, they opened 28 Mad Science franchises across North America. Mad Science has grown into a worldwide company and expanded its pro-

grams to include publishing books and tobacco awareness and sun safety programs.

Peck said children are hooked on these programs once they experience them.

"I love sitting on the floor with them as I lead these experiments, because the kids are quiet, amazed and focused on what I am doing," she said.

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# St. Vincent de Paul thrift store offer bargains in hard times

BY DARRELL CLEM  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Shoppers feeling the economic pinch can find what Michael Saine considers a treasure trove inside the Society of St. Vincent de Paul thrift store he manages in Westland.

Consumers can find brand-name clothing, Noritake crystal, televisions, Haviland Limoges china, books, furniture, cappuccino machines, sports cards, games, wedding dresses, vinyl records and a Cinderella music box among the thousands of items neatly arranged inside the store, located in a shopping center on the northwest corner of Wayne and Hunter roads.

More important in a tough economy, shoppers pay a fraction of what it would cost them to buy the items new, and it's all for a good cause. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, with 10 stores in southeast Michigan alone, spends 92 cents for every dollar it earns to provide food, clothing, shelter, youth camps and other services to people in need.

Under the umbrella of the Archdiocesan Council of Detroit, the local organization receives its merchandise from donors and then sells it to bargain-hunters who need to stretch a dollar, especially as Michigan battles a 12 percent unemployment rate.

"It's a perfect redistribution of wealth without government intervention," Saine said.

He manages the store with six employees, including assistant managers Sharon Smiley and Barbara Flood, and volunteers like 22-year-old Westland mom Christina Peterson, who stops in two or three days a week to hang up clothes, put price tags on merchandise and help reorganize displays.

"I also shop here for my kids' clothing and toys," she said. "You can't beat the prices."

A worldwide organization, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was started 175 years ago and has operated in the Detroit area for 121 years. In this region alone, it helps some 100,000 people a year.

Saine also proudly described the charity as environmentally friendly, saying the stores "recycle" merchandise every week that might otherwise end up in landfills. Moreover, it only accepts appliances and other items that work and don't need repairs because, Saine said, it wouldn't be fair to sell broken goods that "economically challenged" patrons would have to spend money to fix.

Shoppers can find a nearly new couch for \$100, a brand-name T-shirt as low as \$1, Haviland Limoges china for \$1.99 a piece and wedding gowns for well under \$100 — a price that "doesn't take a bite out of Dad's pocket" as he helps his daughter prepare for

her big day.

"We're not out to pick anybody's pocket," Saine said.

Just recently, 13-year-old Victoria White, a student at Livonia's Emerson Middle School, stopped in the Westland store for a service project through St. Theodore Catholic Church. She helped hang up clothes and organize jewelry displays.

"It's part of my confirmation credits," she said.

Right now, the Westland

store has a special Easter display, and it has a year-round section dedicated to Christmas.

"We love Christmas," said Saine, who lives in Toledo, Ohio, with wife Karen and their six daughters.

People who want to donate to the organization can take items like clothing directly to the stores or arrange to have bigger merchandise, such as furniture, picked up by calling the Society's toll free num-

ber at (877) 788-4623. The Westland store can be reached at (734) 729-3088. Much more information, including how to make a monetary donation, is available online at [www.svpd-det.org](http://www.svpd-det.org).

For those who merely want a good deal, the store hours are 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily except for Sundays when it's noon to 5 p.m. As Saine put it, "it's treasure hunting every day."

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Victoria White, a 13-year-old Westland resident and Livonia Emerson Middle School student, works at the Society of St. Vincent de Paul thrift store as part of a service project through her youth group at St. Theodore Catholic Church.

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## All-Observer

Members of the Salem, Canton and Plymouth varsity girls track and field teams get set to compete at the recent Bolger/Manghan City Meet. For these athletes and others, a season of excellence is capped off by this year's All-Observer team, on page B2.

## SIDELINES

### She's perfect

Canton resident Denise Cadwell bowled a perfect 300 game Thursday at Super Bowl in Canton as part of the "Battle of the Sexes" league.

It was Cadwell's first 300 game and she will receive a jacket from Super Bowl in recognition of the achievement.

Because the feat came in a league not sanctioned by the USBC, Cadwell will not be presented a 300 game ring, however.

Congratulations to Denise on enjoying an evening of perfection.

### Canton Chiefs grid camps

The Canton High School football program will be hosting three camps next month.

• On June 8-11, the Canton Chiefs Skills Camp for kids in grades 7-9 will be held each night 5-7:30 p.m. at the varsity stadium. The cost is \$35. For more information, contact Richard Mui at (248) 229-2738.

• On June 15-18, the Canton Chiefs Wing T/3-4 Football Camp will be held for kids in grades 10-12. The camp, which costs \$30, will run 2-5:30 p.m. June 15 and 5-8 p.m. the other three days. For more information, contact Tim Baechler at (734) 455-7691.

• On June 22-25, the Canton Chiefs Fundamental Football Camp will be held for kids in grades 3-6. The camp, which costs \$75, will run from 9 a.m. to noon. Contact Enza Lanava at (313) 300-1173.

### Coming soon

The Plymouth-Canton Educational Park's girls basketball programs will be hosting a pair of hoop camps later this month.

The first camp will be hosted by Canton coach Brian Samulski and his coaching staff from June 15-19. The camp, which is for girls in seventh through ninth grades, will run 12:30-2:30 p.m. each day at Pioneer Middle School. The cost is \$75, which includes a ball and T-shirt for each camper. The camp is No. 204 in the Community Education book. For more information, call (734) 416-2937.

The Plymouth, Canton and Salem coaching staffs will hold a camp for girls in fourth through sixth grades June 22-26, 1-3 p.m. at Salem High School. The registration fee is \$75, which includes a ball and T-shirt for each camper. The course number is 202. For more information, call (734) 416-2937.

### Ultimate soccer tourney

A Post Tryout Tournament hosted by Ultimate Soccer Arenas is slated for July 26-28.

Three games are guaranteed for all age groups, including U9-U18 (girls) and U9-U14 (boys). U9-U10 teams will play 6v6; U11-U12 will play 8v8; and U13-U18 play 11v11.

The cost is \$199 per team, and prizes will be given to first- and second-place finishers in each age division.

For registration information, call (248) 648-7000 or go online at [www.ultimate-soccerarenas.com](http://www.ultimate-soccerarenas.com).

# We are family

## Chiefs hang together following heartbreaker

Just moments earlier, the Canton varsity girls soccer team's season came to a crushing conclusion when Ann Arbor Huron hung on for a 2-1 win in a Division I regional semifinal.

But there's no shame in that. Defeat ends most teams' seasons across the entire state. Still, there definitely was a victorious kind of atmosphere surrounding the Chiefs — even with Tuesday night's heartbreaking loss to contend with.

The players finished slapping hands with the victorious River Rats near the middle of the Saline High School field where they had battled, bumped and just about bled for 80 minutes.

Then, the Chiefs trotted together on the track surrounding the pitch for their final laps of the year.

They sang the Beatles' *Can't Buy Me Love* as they ran, and hardly sounded down or bitter about how a penalty kick with 14 minutes left in the second half booted the chance for an upset victory



Tim Smith

against the defending champions.

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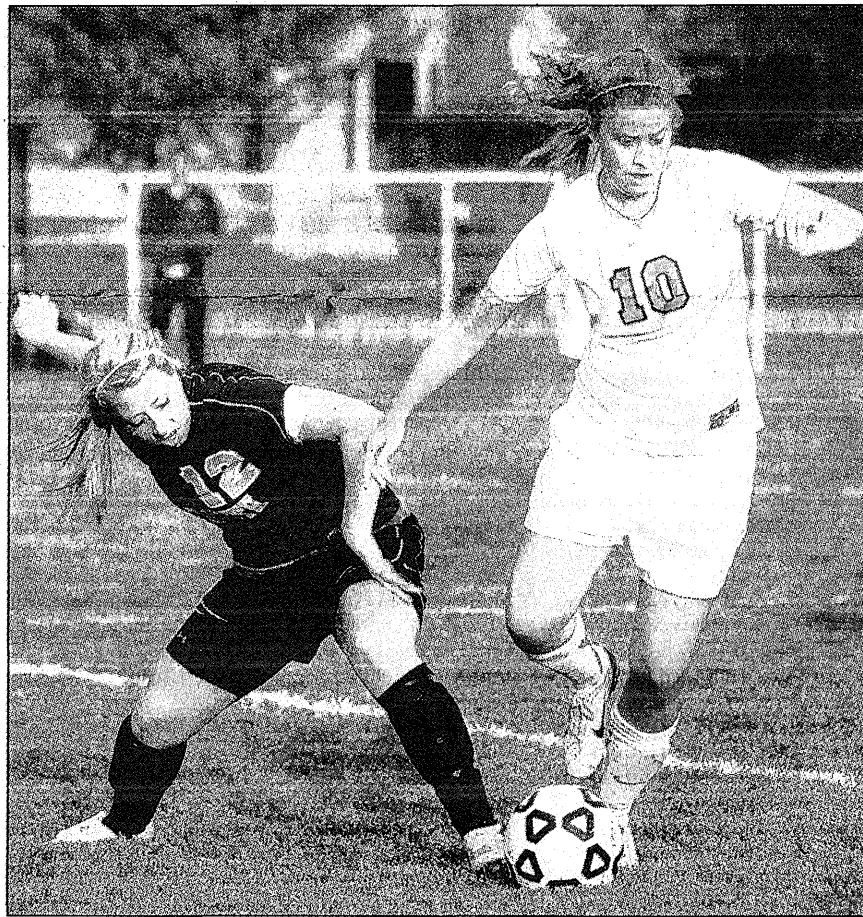
Singing with upbeat tones to their voices belied how disappointed the girls certainly were feeling at that moment. Losing on a disputed penalty kick certainly falls into the realm of "disappointment."

But the scene wasn't too surprising given what senior co-captain Leslie Weisz said shortly after the players returned to the bench area to collect their thoughts and their sweatpants before heading back to the bus.

"We've got a family," Weisz said in the middle of a heartfelt comment about how the Chiefs deserved a better fate.

Families find ways to stick together and the girls revealed that characteristic in the wake of the tough loss.

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Shown here in a recent game against Plymouth is Canton's Leslie Weisz (right), who talked about how much her team is like a family in the wake of Tuesday's regional defeat to Ann Arbor Huron. At left is Plymouth's Vittoria Miller.

# Painful tourney exit: Chargers ousted in shootout

BY BRAD EMONS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

PKs ultimately decided who would move on in the Division I girls soccer state tournament Friday night at Saline.

After battling to a scoreless draw for 80 minutes in regulation and a pair of 15-minute overtime periods for the regional championship,

penalty kicks saved defending state champion Ann Arbor Huron.

Meanwhile, Livonia Churchill headed home needing pain killers as the Chargers were eliminated in the shootout, 3-1.

Churchill, making its first regional appearance since 1999, missed three-of-four attempts after nearly winning

the game with 4:10 left in the second sudden victory OT when Hannah Otto's cross to Alyssa Mira just missed the mark.

Churchill bows with a 17-3-3 overall record, while Huron, 17-2-2, moves on to the state semifinals to take on top-ranked Portage Central. Earlier last week, Huron defeated Canton 2-1 in a semi-

final matchup.

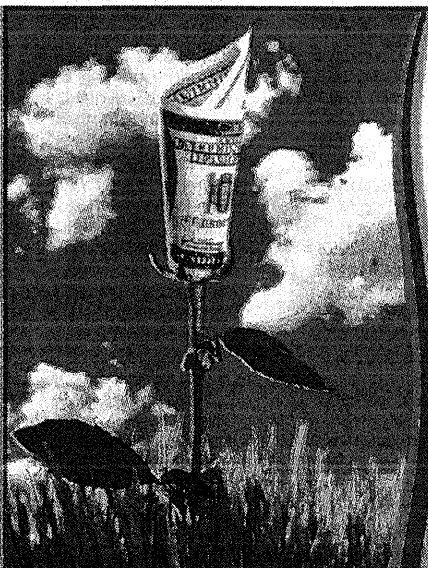
"I was trying to keep our girls fresh — both teams were fatigued — but we should have won it in overtime," said Churchill coach Dave Hebestreit, who made substitutions on nearly every stoppage of play during the 30 minutes of OT. "It was a good game, an even game. I expected it to be tight. We had

our chances on a couple of free-flowing plays. We just did not finish the few opportunities we had, but you can't take anything away from Huron."

Offensive chances were limited as Churchill held a 5-4 edge in shots on goal during regulation.

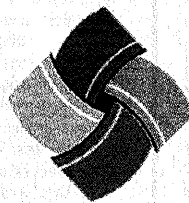
Churchill goalkeeper

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# All-Area girls team filled with all-state athletes

## FIRST-TEAM INDIVIDUALS

**Chelsea Carradine, Jr., Red. Thurston (shot put):** Competing in her third varsity season, this junior emerged as one of the state's finest in the shot put, earning a third place showing with a throw of 39-5.5. A three-time league and regional champion, Carradine was unbeaten in the event all the way through regionals and eclipsed her school record by nearly two feet with a toss of 39-8.5.

"Chelsea is a complete athlete," Thurston coach Al Chambo said. "She is quick, fast and strong. She is a fierce competitor who brings out the best in herself and her teammates. After a hamstring injury at an invite in April, we held back in running workouts and Chelsea became a discus thrower. We look forward to her senior year and additional accomplishments."

**Shannon Getchen, Sr., Liv. Churchill (discus):** The senior captain proved to be a consistent performer by winning the regional, Kensington Conference and Public Schools of Livonia Invitational titles.

She posted a season best of 109-1 in the discus and 34-3.5 in the shot put.

"The best thing about Shannon is she threw her best at the big meets and was our second leading scorer this year," Churchill coach Pat Daugherty said. "As good as Shannon is as a thrower she is, she's an even better person. Her character, as well as her ability as a top thrower, will be missed by everyone associated with Churchill athletics."

**Abbey Lovat, Soph., F.H. Mercy (high jump):** The sophomore placed fifth in the Division 1 state meet with an area-best jump of 5-5. Lovat won the Catholic League and Operation Friendship championships, and she was the West Bloomfield regional runner-up. She also long jumps, throws the shot put and runs relays.

"She's a hard-working athlete," coach Gary Servais said. "She listens well and applies what she hears. As much as she's into basketball, she's going to go to the Michigan track and field camp. I think she's beginning to like track and field as much as basketball. I hope she thinks about this sport for college. I wish I had 20 Abbey Lovats. I'm looking forward to working with her two more years."

**Chanel Payne, Sr., Westland Glenn (long jump):** The senior jumped a career- and school-record best 18-5.75 this season, while finishing third in the state finals.

A three-time state qualifier, Payne was also regional and KLA South Division champ, along with being undefeated in dual meets. She was also conference champ in the 100 dash (12.42).

"Chanel set high expectations for herself this season was able to meet or exceed them," Glenn coach Alan McGowan said. "As a captain on our team, Chanel shows great leadership both on and off the track. She ranks as one of the greatest track and field athletes in Glenn girls history. She accumulated 911 varsity points in her career."

**Emily Quint, Jr., Liv. Franklin (pole vault):** The junior placed sixth in the Division 1 state finals with a school record 11-2. She was also Public Schools of Livonia Invitational, regional and KLA South Division champion.

Quint excelled in the high jump where she cleared 5-2, including a fourth at the regional. She also took second in the 100 hurdles at the KLA South meet.

"Emily had an outstanding season for us, making 10-foot vaults



Chelsea Carradine Thurston



Shannon Getchen Churchill



Abbey Lovat Mercy



Chanel Payne John Glenn



Emily Quint Franklin



Megan Yanik Ladywood



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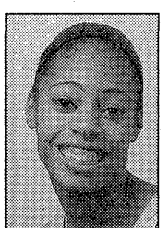
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Karlyn Cassidy Harrison



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Megan Vitale Ladywood



Emily Clairmont Churchill



Tiffany Raisanen Churchill

standard procedure and getting over 11 feet several times near the end of the year," Franklin coach Dave Bjorklund said. "She was a big contributor to our team success."

**Megan Yanik, Jr., Liv. Ladywood (110 hurdles):** The junior had an outstanding season figuring in all 14 of the Blazers' points at the Division 2 state meet with a third-place finish in 300 hurdles (45.5) and a fifth in the 110 hurdles (15.81).

Yanik also anchored the fifth-place 1,600 relay team at the state meet.

She led the area in both events en route to Catholic League and regional championships in the 100 and 300 hurdles.

"Megan ran her best time at the state meet for the 300 hurdles, breaking her own school record from last year (46.5)," Ladywood coach Alice Ahearn said. "She also broke her own 100 hurdles school record this season with her 15.3 (last year's best was 15.4). She is a hard worker, extremely dedicated athlete who can always be counted on to come through for the team."

**Becky Adamcheck, Jr., Liv. Stevenson (300 hurdles):** The junior captain placed seventh in the Division 1 state finals with a time of 45.72 after winning the regional in a school record 45.6.

At the Kensington Conference meet, Adamcheck placed first and captured KLA Central Division titles in the 200 (27.0) and 300 hurdles. She was also Public Schools of Livonia Invitational champ.

"It has been a pleasure to coach Becky these last three years," Stevenson coach Kelly Graham said the three-year letter winner and team's second leading point producer. "She is a very dedicated and hard working young lady that puts it all on the track with each race. She has truly developed into a very dominant track athlete and I am so very excited to see what she will continue to do and the success she will have in her senior year."

**Charlotte Cahill, Sr., N. Farmington (100 dash):** The four-year standout won the Division 1 state championship

in the 100 meters and was the runner-up in the 200. She set school records and had area-best times in both events when she ran 11.8 and 25.1 at the Farmington city meet in April. Cahill was a triple winner in the OAA Blue Division meet, finishing first in both sprints and the long jump. She is the Oakland County champion in the 100 and 200, and she was second in the long jump, setting a school record with a leap of 17-2.5.

"Her performance at the state meet was the best we've had from a North Farmington athlete," coach Bill Pinnell said. "She was in three events; to finish first and second in two, it was just a great individual effort."

"As a coach, it's great seeing your athletes, especially when they work hard and have dedicated themselves to your program and the sport, have success."

**Aubrie Scott, Soph., Westland Glenn (200):** The sophomore was Kensington Conference and South Division champion, undefeated in dual meets and qualified for three events in the Division 1 state finals. Scott, who posted a personal best 26.3 in the 200, also went 17-4.75 in the long jump.

"Aubrie is a first-year runner that exceeded my expectations," McGowan said. "She is a very intense competitor that leaves it all out there when she competes. She has a very bright future ahead of her."

**Cherie Gaines, Soph., N. Farmington (400):** The sophomore won the OAA Blue Division championship with an area-best time of 58.7, which was three 10ths of a second shy of Heather Burca's school record. Gaines qualified for state in the 400 and just missed gaining a top-eight finish. She also was second to Cahill in the OAA Blue 200 final with a 26.6 time.

"With her only being a sophomore, it was a great experience for her to have the opportunity to run in the state meet," coach Bill Pinnell said. "She had a great season. She knows the kind of work she's going to have to put in to get herself up there (in the state). With a little more work and seasoning, I think she's going to be one of the top 400 runners."

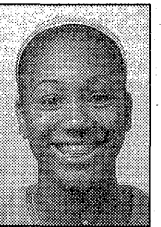
**Sara Kroll, Jr., Liv. Churchill (800):** The junior became one of the state's premier distance runners with a second in the 800 (2:14.39) and a



Bethany Pilat Churchill



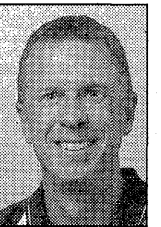
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Seneca Scott Franklin



Mallory Church Franklin



Dave Bjorklund Franklin coach

## FIRST-TEAM RELAYS

**John Glenn, 400 (Chanel Payne, Sr.; Aubrie Scott, Soph.; Shaunte Roberts, Sr.; Stephany Brown, Fr.):** This quartet captured both the regional and KLA South Division titles, along with seconds at the Tory Clark Invitational and North Farmington Raider Relays. They were undefeated in dual meets and ninth overall in Division 1.

"This group of girls were a great group to coach this season, after losing three of the four girls from last years relay that also qualified for states," McGowan said. "I wasn't sure if we would get back. These girls set high expectations for themselves and reached almost every goal they set."

**Harrison, 800 (Talia Shuford, Soph.; Auriel Bell, Sr.; Karlyn Cassidy, Jr.; Tiera Parker, Fr.):** The Harrison foursome posted an area-best time of 4:46.5. The Hawks won the Algonac Invite and were runners-up in the OAA White Division and Groves Invite; they also were fourth at the regional and seventh in Oakland County.

"These are some of our best athletes, and they take a lot of pride in their relays," coach Mark Babcock said. "They put in a lot of time and achieved many goals. We are quite proud of these young ladies and what they represent. They also run the 400-meter relay at a high level."

**Ladywood, 1,600 (Teresa Wojnarowski, Soph.; Katie Morasso, Sr.; Megan Vitale, Soph.; Megan Yanik, Jr.):** The Blazer foursome posted the area's best time in the 4 x 400 relay with a time of 4:05.9 en route to a Catholic League championship.

They also placed fifth in Division 2 state finals (4:08.0) were runners-up in the Division 2 regional.

"They all compete in many other events and contribute points on a consistent basis," Ahearn said. "This team consistently won the 4 x 400 in all our dual meets, shaving time off at each meet. Their most exciting meet was the Catholic League championship, where they took first place amongst two other state qualifying relay teams (Marian and Regina) and also recorded their best time of the season (4:05.9)."

**Churchill, 3,200 (Emily Clairmont, Sr.; Tiffany Raisanen, Jr.; Bethany Pilat, Fr.; Sara Kroll, Jr.):** This relay team recorded the area's best time with a clocking of 9:48.24 en route to the KLA South Division crown and a Kensington Conference titles.

They also added a fourth at the Division 1 regional.

**Franklin, 3,200 (Ashly Butkowski, Sr.; Megan McPherson, Soph.; Seneca Scott, Jr.; Mallory Church, Soph.):** This foursome finished runner-up at the regional (9:49.8) and Kensington Conference (10:07.2) along with a

## 2009 ALL-OBSERVER GIRLS TRACK & FIELD TEAMS

**Shot put:** 1. Chelsea Carradine, Jr., Redford Thurston; 2. Taylor Byron, Jr., Livonia Churchill; 3. (tie) Bridgit Molloy, Sr., Livonia Ladywood; Taylor Buchanan, Sr., Plymouth.

**Discus:** 1. Shannon Getchen, Sr., Churchill; Savannah Haig, Jr., Livonia Franklin; 3. Ryan Anderson, Sr., Westland John Glenn.

**High jump:** 1. Abbey Lovat, Soph., Farmington Hills Mercy; 2. Senclair McDonnell, Fr., Churchill; 3. Lindsay Lipa, Soph., Canton.

**Long jump:** 1. Chanel Payne, Sr., John Glenn; 2. Auriel Bell, Sr., Farmington Hills Harrison; 3. Ashley Banks, Jr., Canton.

**Pole vault:** 1. Emily Quint, Jr., Franklin; 2. Meghan Powers, Sr., Franklin; 3. Michelle Blackstone, Sr., Livonia Stevenson.

**100-meter hurdles:** 1. Megan Yanik, Jr., Ladywood; 2. Karlyn Cassidy, Jr., Harrison; 3. Samantha Young, Sr., North Farmington.

**300 hurdles:** 1. Becky Adamcheck, Jr., Stevenson; 2. Chelsea Burns, Sr., Harrison; 3. Seneca Scott, Jr., Franklin.

**100 dash:** 1. Charlotte Cahill, Sr., North Farmington; 2. Tiera Parker, Fr., Harrison; 3. (tie) Talia Shuford, Soph., Harrison; Bree Edge, Sr., Canton.

**200:** 1. Aubrie Scott, Soph., John Glenn; 2. Deja Wright, Jr., Salem; 3. Chloe Taylor, Sr., Churchill.

**400:** 1. Cherie Gaines, Soph., North Farmington; 2. Ashly Butkowski, Sr., Franklin; 3. Josephine Zolynsky, Soph., Farmington.

**800:** 1. Sara Kroll, Jr., Churchill; 2. Katie Clark, Jr., Mercy; 3. Ashley Miracle, Sr., Redford Union.

**1,600:** 1. Courtney Calka, Sr., Stevenson; 2. Gabby DeFlorio, Fr., Farmington; 3. Nicole Zehel, Jr., Lutheran High Westland.

**3,200:** 1. Megan McPherson, Soph., Franklin; 2. Molly Stevens, Sr., Plymouth; 3. Angela Wright, Fr., North Farmington.

**400 relay:** 1. John Glenn (Chanel Payne, Sr.; Aubrie Scott, Soph.; Shaunte Roberts, Sr.; Stephany Brown, Fr.); 2. Harrison (Auriel Bell, Sr.; Karlyn Cassidy, Jr.; Talia Shuford, Soph.; Tiera Parker, Fr.); 3. Mercy (Abbey Lovat, Soph.; Delia Uke, Jr.; Sarah Schneider, Fr.; Cydny Henry, Jr.).

**800 relay:** 1. Harrison (Talia Shuford, Soph.; Auriel Bell, Sr.; Karlyn Cassidy, Jr.; Tiera Parker, Fr.); 2. John Glenn (Chanel Payne, Sr.; Aubrie Scott, Soph.; Shaunte Roberts, Sr.; Stephany Brown, Fr.); 3. Churchill (Samar Aoude, Sr.; Courtney Simpson, Jr.; Leah Heitzelmann, Fr.; Chloe Taylor, Sr.).

**1,600 relay:** 1. Ladywood (Teresa Wojnarowski, Soph.; Katie Morasso, Sr.; Megan Vitale, Soph.; Megan Yanik, Jr.); 2. Stevenson (Stephanie Batshon, Soph.; Becky Adamcheck, Jr.; Haley Babcock, Fr.; Courtney Calka, Sr.); 3. Mercy (Katie Clark, Jr.; Lauren Babb, Jr.; Caitlin Cliff, Fr.; Dominique Mosby, Jr.).

**3,200 relay:** 1. (tie) Churchill (Emily Clairmont, Sr.; Tiffany Raisanen, Jr.; Bethany Pilat, Fr.; Sara Kroll, Jr.); Franklin (Ashly Butkowski, Sr.; Megan McPherson, Soph.; Seneca Scott, Jr.; Mallory Church, Soph.); 3. Salem (Kelley Determan, Sr.; Victoria Tripp, Soph.; Alex McHugh, Jr.; Jordyn Moore, Jr.).

## COACH OF THE YEAR

**Dave Bjorklund, Franklin**

16th overall finish in the state finals (9:59.0).

"This group was put together late in the season to try and qualify for the state meet, and it paid off," Bjorklund said. "We asked a lot of these girls. The good news is that three out of four are back next season."

## COACH OF THE YEAR

**Dave Bjorklund, Liv. Franklin:**

The ninth-year coach guided the Patriots to a 5-0 dual meet record and a KLA South Division meet title.

Franklin also finished runner-up in the Division 1 regional and Public Schools of Livonia Invitational, along with a fourth-place finish at the KLA meet. The Patriots boasted seven state qualifiers.

"It's been a fun season, and the success we've had continues to build from one season to the next," said Bjorklund, a graduate of Western Michigan University and Farmington Hills Harrison High School. "I thought we would be down when the Class of 2007 graduated, but we continue to find more athletes and maintain our success. The credit goes to the girls, who continue to get kids out for the team that can score points for us."

Bjorklund also credits longtime assistant coaches Chris Whalen (throws) and Jen McQuade (distance), along with newcomers Tobin Jones (distance) and Ryan Santa (pole vault), for the team's success. "I also want to thank (the late) Paul Terek Sr. for his guidance and hours spent volunteering at the pole vault during the early years contributed in a big way to our success," Bjorklund said.

Notice is hereby given that on June 17, 2009 on or after 9:30 a.m. that Simply Self Storage will be offering for sale under the judicial lien Process by Public Auction the following units. The goods to be sold are generally described as household goods. Terms of the sale are cash only. Simply Self Storage reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. The sale will be at the following location: 34333 E. Michigan Ave. Wayne MI 48184 (734)728-8204.

A148	Kelli Bertl	2 Totes, Mattress, Dresser
A209	Starlisa Neal	Couch, 2 Dressers, TV
A340	Felicia Skeen	Big Screen TV, 2 speakers, Keyboard
C125	Yvonne Snygart	Refrigerator, 3 Dressers, Mattress
C156	Robert Pope	Chair, Table, Mattress
C188	Phillip Greenshields	Tools, 4 Speakers, 5 Boxes
D106	Rebecca Bradley	2 Dressers, TV, Mattress

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**FORECLOSURE NOTICE** This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. **MORTGAGE SALE - Default** has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Gary Bailey, Single to Household Finance Corporation III, Mortgagee, dated August 22, 2007 and recorded August 24, 2007 in Liber 46598 Page .946 Wayne County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seventy-One Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars and Ninety-Six Cents (\$171,938.96) including interest 11.588% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Wayne County at 1:00PM on June 18, 2009 Said premises are situated in City of Westland, Wayne County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 117, Curtis Wood Subdivision, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 88, of Plats, Page 31, Wayne County Records. Subject to: Easements and restrictions of record, if any. Commonly known as 36460 Hivley St, Westland MI 48186 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later. Dated: MAY 17, 2009 Household Finance Corporation III Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 09-09461 ASAP# 3105943 05/17/2009, 05/24/2009, 05/31/2009, 06/07/2009

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## OBSERVER AREA BEST GIRLS TRACK & FIELD PERFORMANCES

SHOT PUT	LONG JUMP	300 HURDLES	400	3,200
Chelsea Carradine (Thurston) 39-8.5	Chanel Payne (John Glenn) 18-5.75	Megan Yanik (Ladywood) 45.5	Cherie Gaines (N. Farmington) 58.7	Megan McPherson (Franklin) 11:14.2
Taylor Buchanan (Plymouth) 37.9.25	Auriel Bell (Harrison) 17-10	Becky Adamcheck (Stevenson) 45.6	Sara Kroll (Churchill) 1:00.1	Molly Stevens (Plymouth) 11:22.5
Bridgit Molloy (Ladywood) 37-1.5	Aubrie Scott (John Glenn) 17-4.75	Chelsea Burns (Harrison) 47.4	Ashly Butkowski (Franklin) 1:00.4	Courtney Calka (Stevenson) 11:29.4
Taylor Byron (Churchill) 36-10	Charlotte Cahill (N. Farmington) 17-2.5	Seneca Scott (Franklin) 47.6	Becky Adamcheck (Stevenson) 1:00.8	Angela Wright (N. Farmington) 11:48.0
Becca Refenes (Luth. Westland) 35-0	Ashley Banks (Canton) 16-1	Karlyn Cassidy (Harrison) 47.6	Deja Wright (Salem) 1:01.5	Julia Kenney (Ladywood) 11:49.7
Savannah Haig (Franklin) 34-10	Melanie Bauer (Stevenson) 15-10.25	Dominique Mosby (Mercy) 48.2	Josephine Zolynsky (Farmington) 1:01.6	Bethany Pilat (Churchill) 11:52.6
Ryan Anderson (John Glenn) 34-0	Michelle Blackstone (Stevenson) 15-10	Mandy McManus (Plymouth) 49.0	Beth Swanberg (Canton) 1:01.7	Paula Green (Plymouth) 11:59.9
Shannon Getchen (Churchill) 34-3.5	Marci Kovsky (Stevenson) 15-9	Teresa Wojnarowski (Ladywood) 49.8	Stephany Brown (John Glenn) 1:01.8	Sarah Thomas (Canton) 12:06.5
Ryan Anderson (John Glenn) 33-0	Caitlin Blue (Mercy) 15-9	Shannon Niznik (Franklin) 50.6	Katey Ramthun (Luth. Westland) 1:01.9	Jane Brewer (Farmington) 12:07.0
Trisha Jordan (N. Farmington) 33-10	Blair Baker (Farmington) 15-8	Dayna Esper (Churchill) 51.0	Samar Aoude (Churchill) 1:02.0	Victoria Tripp (Salem) 12:12.9
Shawntene Johnson (Mercy) 32-8		Jenna Hamed (Plymouth) 51.0	Megan Vitale (Ladywood) 1:02.0	
<b>DISCUS</b>	<b>POLE VAULT</b>	<b>100 DASH</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>400 RELAY</b>
Ryan Anderson (John Glenn) 113-3	Emily Quint (Franklin) 11-2	Charlotte Cahill (N. Farmington) 11.8	Sara Kroll (Churchill) 2:14.39	Westland John Glenn 49.6
Savannah Haig (Franklin) 112-7	Meghan Powers (Franklin) 10-8	Tiera Parker (Harrison) 12.1	Courtney Calka (Stevenson) 2:17.3	Farmington Harrison 49.7
Shannon Getchen (Franklin) 109-1	Michelle Blackstone (Stevenson) 10-2	Chanel Payne (John Glenn) 12.4	Katie Clark (Mercy) 2:21.7	Farmington Hills Mercy 50.2
Shawntene Johnson (Mercy) 108-3	Alicia DiMauro (Churchill) 9-10	Bree Edge (Canton) 12.5	Ashley Miracle (RU) 2:24.8	North Farmington 50.8
Lynn Nagengast (Farmington) 106-7	Lisa Black (Stevenson) 9-2	Talia Shuford (Harrison) 12.5	Tiffany Raisanen (Churchill) 2:25.6	Redford Thurston 51.28
Bridgit Molloy (Ladywood) 105-5	Reagan Engstrom (Plymouth) 9-0	Deja Wright (Salem) 12.6	Megan McPherson (Franklin) 2:25.8	
Myia Davis (RU) 103-11	Erivan Ural (Churchill) 8-8	Kathryn Chinavare (Franklin) 12.6	Kelly Hahn (Plymouth) 2:26.9	<b>800 RELAY</b>
Taylor Buchanan (Plymouth) 100-7	Lindsey Krutzman (Churchill) 8-6	Dominique Smith (Franklin) 12.7	Gabby DeFlorio (Farmington) 2:27.1	Farmington Harrison 1:46.5
Becca Refenes (Luth. Westland) 97-9	Alex Kitz (Stevenson) 8-6	Rochelle Woods (Wayne) 12.8	Olivia Salinas (Farmington) 2:28.2	Westland John Glenn 1:47.2
Becky Holubka (Stevenson) 97-4	Blair Baker (Farmington) 15-8	Cydny Henry (Mercy) 12.8	Samar Aoude (Churchill) 2:28.6	Livonia Churchill 1:47.6
			Cameron Chism (Harrison) 2:28.6	Farmington 1:47.8
				Livonia Franklin 1:47.9
				<b>1,600 RELAY</b>
				Livonia Ladywood 4:05.9
				Livonia Stevenson 4:06.48
				Farmington Hills Mercy 4:11.2
				Livonia Churchill 4:12.5
				North Farmington 4:12.5
				<b>3,200 RELAY</b>
				Livonia Churchill 9:48.3
				Livonia Franklin 9:49.8
				Salem 9:52.2
				Farmington Hills Mercy 10:05.3
				Farmington 10:05.7

### CHARGERS

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Stefanie Turner made three key saves during the first 80 minutes, including a sprawling save on a River Rat breakaway with only 29 seconds left. She also leaped high to tip the ball over the crossbar with 5:20 remaining in the first half on a shot by Beth Boyer and denied Ainsley McCallister in a similar fashion during the 44th minute.

"She (Turner) came up with the saves we needed," Hebestreit said. "We played well enough, we've just never been in a game with PKs as a team in my 10 years."

Turner, ironically, took the first PK for the Chargers and it caromed off the right post.

"She's good on them, she's our best shooter," the Churchill coach said. "I had the five names (shooters). We were going in the order they wanted. I let them set it up."

Bailey Brandon, Churchill's leading goal scorer, tallied the lone PK score for the Chargers, while Mira's low drive was

gobbled up by Huron goalkeeper Emily Brunnschweiler and Darcy DeRoo's attempt sailed high and wide to the right.

Meanwhile, Huron got PK tallies from Lisa Masini, Boyer and McCallister (the game-winner).

"We've been working on PKs since halfway through the season," Huron coach Todd Pfeiffer said. "I know the five shooters and they know the order. It's a routine.

"We're not as deep as we were last year, but we still have the talent. At the end we had to play smart and play slow, let the ball do the work. It really comes down to who wants it more and you have to leave it all out on the field."

The regional final marked the end of the careers for six Churchill seniors who have played on the varsity since their freshman year — Turner, Brandon, Mira, Otto, Kayla Johnston and Tessa Allen — who compiled an impressive record of 56-13-12.

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It's really not that much of a stretch for all high school athletes to feel that way about the teams they play on.

For months upon months, teammates see each other constantly. They praise each other, encourage each other, joke around with each other.

When things don't go as smoothly as hoped for, the

teammates are there to say, "You're good, you can do it, don't worry about it."

And teams-as-families also share common experiences that will never be forgotten. That bond will remain long after the sour taste of a tough defeat evaporates.

That's something to sing about.

Tim Smith is interim sports editor of the Plymouth-Canton Observers. He can be reached at tsmith@hometownlife.com.

### Canton cheer camp

The Canton High School cheerleading team will be hosting a summer camp for kids in grades kindergarten through eighth grade on June 22 from 8:30 a.m. (check-in) to 4 p.m.

The cost of the camp is \$50, which includes the clinic, lunch, an afternoon drink/snack and a Canton Cheer sports bag.

There are discounted rates for families with two or more siblings attending.

The registration deadline is June 1. Call (734) 765-1998 or send an e-mail to carriers@comcast.net.

### Detroit Lions youth camp

A Detroit Lions Summer Youth Football Camp will be held at Central Middle School in Plymouth July 6-9 from 8:30 a.m. to noon. This will be the fifth consecutive summer the camp will be held in Plymouth.

The Lions will conduct a minimum of 14 youth football camps in Michigan and Canada during the summer of 2009.

"We truly enjoy coming to Plymouth and working with the area's youth," said Chris Fritzsing, the Lions director of youth football. "It's going to be an exciting camp; a camp that allows us to help develop young athletes to become more educated and skilled football players, while emphasizing some of the life skills the game of football teaches: hard work, discipline, teamwork, communication and perseverance."

Detroit Lions Youth Football Camp is open to boys & girls ages 6-14, is non-contact and fundamental, and designed to improve a child's beginning, intermedi-

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ate, or advanced skill level. Participants are grouped based on age and skill level. Camp is limited to the first 100 participants to register and is conducted by Chris Fritzsing, Director of Detroit Lions Youth Football, and the Detroit Lions Youth Football Camp Coaching Staff, who are professional educators from the collegiate and high school ranks.

During Detroit Lions Youth Football Camp, participants will spend two days learning offensive fundamentals (quarterback, running back, wide receiver and offensive line) and two days learning defensive fundamentals (defensive line, linebacker, defensive back and tackling) in addition to learning special teams fundamentals (kicking, punting, and kick and punt returning). During camp, each participant will rotate to each one of the above mentioned positions to allow the participant to gain a better understanding of each of the positions and how they work together. Providing the fundamentals at every position will allow a participant to become much more knowledgeable about the game and will allow participants a better opportunity to earn "playing time" when it comes to playing organized football in the fall.

Interested participants may register by phone, fax, mail or online at www.Ticketmaster.com. For more information, call (313) 262-2248, e-mail youthfootballcamps@detroitlions.com or visit www.DetroitLions.com/youthfootball.

### P-CEP girls hoop camps

The Plymouth-Canton Educational Park's girls basketball programs will be hosting a pair of hoop camps next month. The first camp will be hosted by Canton

coach Brian Samulski and his coaching staff from June 15-19. The camp, which is for girls in 7th through 9th grades, will run from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. each day at Pioneer Middle School. The cost is \$75, which includes a ball and T-shirt for each camper. The camp is No. 204 in the Community Education book. For more information, call (734) 416-2937.

The Plymouth, Canton and Salem coaching staffs will hold a camp for girls in 4th through 6th grades June 22-26 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Salem High School. The registration fee is \$75, which includes a ball and T-shirt for each camper. The course number is 202. For more information, call (734) 416-2937.

### Canton Chiefs football camps

The Canton High School football program will be hosting three camps next month.

On June 8-11, the Canton Chiefs Skills Camp for kids in grades 7th through 9th will be held each night from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the varsity stadium. The cost is \$35. For more information, contact Richard Mui at (248) 229-2738.

On June 15-18, the Canton Chiefs Wing T/3-4 Football Camp will be held for kids in grades 10th through 12th. The camp, which costs \$30, will run from 2 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on June 15 and from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. the other three days. For more information, contact Tim Baechler at (734) 455-7691.

On June 22-25, the Canton Chiefs Fundamental Football Camp will be held for kids in grades 3rd through 6th. The camp, which costs \$75, will run from 9 a.m. to noon. Contact Enza Lanava at (313) 300-1173.

## Wayne hurdler eyes Midwest Meet of Champions

BY BRAD EMONS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Wayne Memorial's Renaldo Powell hopes to put his name on a Midwest Meet of Champions 110-meter hurdles list that also includes current NFL wide receiver Ted Ginn, Jr. and former NFL standout safety Rod Woodson.

Powell, the Division 1 state champ in the 110 highs (14.13), will be among a select company of best track and field seniors from Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois for the Midwest meet, which will be held Saturday, June 13 at Jackson's Withington Stadium.

"I'm real excited. I know I'll run my fastest time and I think

I can win both events," said Powell, who was also third in the Division 1 state finals in the 300 hurdles (38.73).

Also expected to compete are Division 1 state boys pole vault runner-up Derik Peterman of Livonia Churchill and Division 1 girls state 1,600 second-place finisher Courtney Calka of Livonia Stevenson.

Powell, meanwhile, has come along way since his junior year when he reached the semifinal round of the 110 highs and finished eighth.

He credits part of his success to winter training with the Michigan Accelerators Club.

"I did a lot of hurdle work and drills that I had not done before," said Powell, who also played cornerback for the

Zebras' football team last fall. "It was the first time being on a (track) team other than Wayne. I also did a lot of sprint work. I was on the 4 x 400 and 4 x 200 indoor state champs."

Powell, who also long jumps, has earned a track and field scholarship to Central Michigan University where he will study pre-dentistry with hopes some day of becoming an orthodontist.

Sixth-year coach Lee Grizzell calls Powell "the best captain I have had at Wayne."

"Renaldo led by example and he kept practice fun for the underclassmen, and he did a great job of recruiting," Grizzell said. "He performed so well this year because he has an excellent work ethic. Renaldo is

such a good hurdler because he has really powerful legs and his technique is very good."

And while Powell always had the athletic talent, he had to acquire a taste for academic side of life. He participated in Wayne's Upper Bound program, a government funded program that helps prepare and exposes students to college.

"My first year of high school was not good, but the last two years I've been in the honor roll," Powell aid. "The first two years I was just being lazy."

Powell graduated Saturday from Wayne and will continue to train with the Accelerators throughout the summer with hopes of going to either the USATF Junior or Nike Outdoor nationals.

# Livonia City Soccer Club



2009-2010 Tryouts



The Livonia City Soccer Club experienced a tremendous first year following the merger of the Livonia Meteors and Livonia Soccer Club. Parents and teams of all levels of playing ability committed to a family-friendly and multi-sport atmosphere. We started the club in the hopes of creating an educational and unparalleled soccer experience for children of all ages and skill levels, and we did just that.

Amidst all the changes, the club sent three teams to the u18 girl's State Cup quarterfinals with the team coached by Rick Larson making it to the State Cup finals. Both boys and girls teams in multiple age groups competed at the highest levels of the Michigan State Premier Soccer League and MYSL.

The LCSC's philosophy rests in granting all players equal opportunities and benefits within their level of play in the sport of soccer. The club provides recreational players with a developmental opportunity by emphasizing participation in a family centered environment. The club also provides premier players with opportunities to develop into elite athletes.

With multiple teams at all age groups, The Livonia City Soccer Club truly is the club in southeast Michigan for players of all ages and abilities.

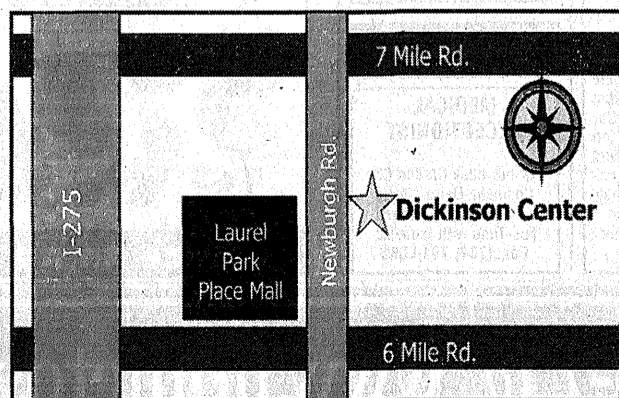
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## One Community, One Club - Livonia City Soccer Club

Try-Outs will be held at Dickinson Center in Livonia June 15-17, 2009. For questions please call Club Director @ 734-634-8048.



### LCSC Boys

AGE	1ST TRYOUT	2ND TRYOUT	# OF TEAMS
U8 Boys	June 15 / 6:00-7:00pm	June 16 / 6:00-7:00pm	3 TEAMS
U9 Boys	June 15 / 7:00-8:00pm	June 16 / 7:00-8:00pm	3 TEAMS
U10 Boys	June 15 / 6:00-7:15pm	June 16 / 6:00-7:15pm	3 TEAMS
U11 Boys	June 15 / 6:00-7:30 pm	June 16 / 6:00-7:30 pm	2 TEAMS
U12 Boys	June 15 / 7:45-9:15 pm	June 16 / 7:45-9:15 pm	3 TEAMS
U13 Boys	June 15 / 6:00-7:30 pm	June 17 / 6:00-7:30 pm	2 TEAMS
U14 Boys	June 15 / 6:00-7:30 pm	June 17 / 6:00-7:30 pm	2 TEAMS
U15 Boys	June 16 / 6:00-7:30 pm	June 17 / 7:45-9:15 pm	2 TEAMS
U16 Boys	June 15 / 7:45-9:15 pm	June 16 / 7:45-9:15 pm	3 TEAMS
U17 Boys	June 15 / 7:45-9:15 pm	June 16 / 7:45-9:15 pm	1 TEAM
U18 Boys	June 15 / 4:00-5:30 pm	June 16 / 4:00-5:30 pm	2 TEAMS

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U16 Girls	June 15 / 6:00-7:30 pm	June 16 / 4:00-5:30 pm	3 TEAMS
U17 Girls	June 15 / 4:00-5:30 pm	June 16 / 4:00-5:30 pm	2 TEAMS
U18 Girls	June 15 / 2:30-4:00 pm	June 16 / 2:30-4:00 pm	2 TEAMS
H.S. Open	June 15 / 4:00-5:30 pm	June 16 / 4:00-5:30 pm	1 TEAM

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# Bowling's a life saver for Livonia man

Let's call this story "The Curious Case of Timothy Wilson."

He is a 69-year-old bowler from Livonia who said that being a bowler actually saved his life.

"In the late summer of '08 I was having a problem keeping my balance while riding my bicycle," Wilson explained. "I kind of wanted to go left all the time. Otherwise, everything else seemed normal. I was concerned that my bowling average had dropped by a staggering 25 pins and this was more worrisome as I had always been in the 190-200 range."

"When I got up on the approach, it didn't feel just right and I couldn't get to the line in my normal way. The coordination wasn't there and it seemed that I couldn't get my body to do what I wanted it to do."

Some people might pass this off as part of getting older, but fortunately,



Ten Pin Alley

Al Harrison

translates to water on the brain, a very serious condition which if untreated would lead to severe problems which include memory loss, loss of bladder control and balance."

If not treated early, these symptoms would only get worse and most likely lead to Alzheimer's disease.

"I thank bowling for discovering the problem early enough that I was

able to get the proper treatment for it," he said.

The procedure included drilling a hole into his skull to the bottom of his brain so the liquid could drain.

Wilson has been a very active bowler on the local scene for about 50 years. He has been secretary-treasurer of the Woodland Men's League for 25 years and has bowled in the Tuesday Men's Classic at Town 'n Country Lanes in Westland, as well as the Friday Nite Men's Classic at Country Lanes in Farmington Hills.

You might say that bowling has been a focal point in the life of Wilson, and he is ever so thankful for that.

• On May 15, Woodland Lanes was the scene for Madonna University Graduate School Bowling for Scholarships.

while spectators and friends came out to bid on silent auction items and cheer for their favorite bowlers.

The event raised over \$3,100. "The fundraiser went really well," MU spokesperson Karen Sanborn said. High scores included 223 (men) and 181 (women).

Even the children participated with 7-year-old Brendan Gleason shooting the high game of 84.

More and more charitable organizations are discovering the bowling venue as a fun-filled and effective way to bring in the extra money.

• This year's Metro Detroit USBC awards ceremony and dinner will be Tuesday, June 30 at DeCarlo's Banquet Center, located at Ten Mile and Mound rounds, in Warren.

Dinner will be served first buffet style from 5:30-7 p.m. followed by the awards presentations.

Tickets are available for only \$15 by calling (248) 443-2695.

• This area will soon be invaded by the Professional Bowlers Association at both Taylor Lanes and Thunderbowl in Allen Park.

During the busy months of August and September seven PBA events will be televised nationally.

It will be an opportunity for some of our top local gunners to make it to the big show in both men's and women's competition.

This will be a great opportunity for the greater Detroit area to show why we are considered the Bowling Capitol of the World.

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

## Blazers escape DC upset bid

BY BRAD EMONS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Livonia Ladywood found itself in quite a pickle during a Division 2 district softball semifinal against Dearborn Divine Child May 30 at Madonna University Park.

The Blazers were clinging to a one-run lead after the Falcons scored twice in the fifth inning and had the bases loaded and no outs.

But freshman Briana Combs got out of the jam with a force-out at the plate, a strikeout and a pop-out to the mound as the Blazers held on for a 3-2 win and earned the district title with a 6-0 triumph later in the day against South Lyon East. "They (Divine Child) placed a couple of perfect

bunts and we couldn't get to them," said Ladywood coach Scott Combs, whose team is 32-6 overall.

Cara Miller's two-run triple in the fifth proved to be the difference. Miller and Alysa Gietl each finished with two hits.

Combs went all seven innings, allowing three hits while striking out three. In the championship final, Combs struck out 12 and allowed just two hits to beat the Cougars, who finished 7-21 overall.

Gina Sykes, Carli SanMillan and Courtney LaValley each collected two hits for the Blazers, who advance to the regional semifinals beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday at MU Park. Ladywood faces Detroit

Renaissance, while the other semifinal, starting at noon, pits Beverly Hills-Detroit Country Day (13-5) against Melvindale.

Earlier this season in the first round of the Michigan Stars Classic, Ladywood defeated Renaissance, 8-2.

"I think we've been peaking again the last two weeks," Combs said. "We got ready for this district by playing three pretty good teams."

On May 27, the Blazers downed host Blissfield in a double-header, 3-0 (in 15 innings) and 6-3. Last Thursday they defeated Flat Rock, 3-0. Flat Rock just ousted Catholic League A-B Division champion Allen Park Cabrini in the district, 3-0.

### MU volleyball

Madonna University will stage several summer volleyball camps, all Mondays through Thursdays, including:

Advanced elite all-Skills or general kills - June 22-25 (cost \$135 per player); setters (\$135) or youth (\$110) - June 29-July 2; hitters (\$135) and defensively specialty (\$135) - July 6-9.

For more information, call camp director Jerry Abraham at (734) 432-5612 or (734) 254-0698.

### Madonna cage camps

Madonna University men's basketball is offering three weeks of summer camps in 2009 including a camp designed for high school-age player to improve position specific skills.

The Big Man camp will be from 5:30-9 p.m., Monday through Friday, June 8-12.

### SUMMER CAMPS/CLINICS

The cost is \$125. MU will also be staging its 35th annual All-Star camp for boys ages 8-15 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, June 15-19 and July 27-31. The cost is \$175 per player.

For more information, visit [madonnacrusers.com](http://madonnacrusers.com).

### Stevenson girls hoops

The Stevenson Basketball Camp for girls will be from 9 a.m. to noon (grades 5-7) and 1-4 p.m. (grades 8-9), Monday through Thursday, June 22-25. The cost for each sessions is \$67.

For more information, call Paul Tripp at (248) 563-0858; or e-mail [trippa@northville.12.mi.us](mailto:trippa@northville.12.mi.us).

### Girls hoop academy

A girls basketball academy will be offered from 9 a.m. until noon (grades 6-8) and 1-4 p.m.

(grades 3-5), Monday through Thursday, June 15-18, at Our Lady of Victory in Northville.

The cost is \$70. Enrollment is limited. Register before June 8 to receive a camp T-shirt.

For more information, call Livonia Stevenson girls varsity basketball coach Paul Tripp at (248) 563-0858; or e-mail [trippa@northville.12.mi.us](mailto:trippa@northville.12.mi.us).

### Skyhawks Camps

The City of Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation will stage its Skyhawks sports camps (ages 5-7) including basketball (June 15-19), soccer (June 22-26) and mini-hawk multi-sport (July 6-10).

All camps are from 9 a.m. until noon, Monday through Friday. The cost is \$99 (residents) and \$109 (non-residents).

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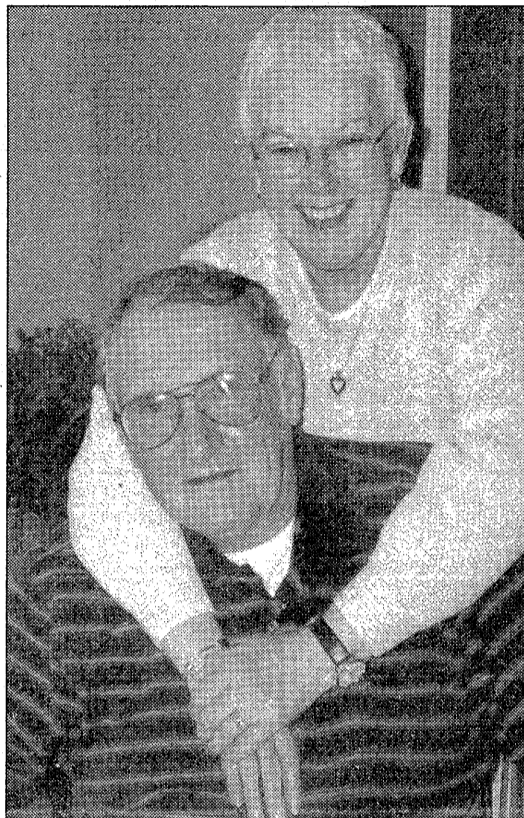
# MILESTONES

### 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Richard and Joan Johnson of Livonia will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on June 13, 2009 with family.

The couple, who met in Detroit and were married in 1959 at St. Bridget's in Detroit, have four children: James and his wife Vivian Johnson of Monroe, Julie Sako of Livonia, Michael and his wife Carol Johnson of Dearborn, and Susan Johnson and her partner Kelly O'Connor, of Ann Arbor. They have nine grandchildren: Ashley and Natalie Sako of Livonia, Michael Johnson of Mount Pleasant, Mac Johnson of Monroe, Grace, Elizabeth, and Mary Johnson of Dearborn, and Molly and Maura Johnson O'Connor of Ann Arbor.

Richard retired as a prototype coordinator from Ford Motor Co. after 30 years, and Joan is a homemaker.



Richard and Joan Johnson of Livonia



Richard and Joan Johnson on their wedding day.



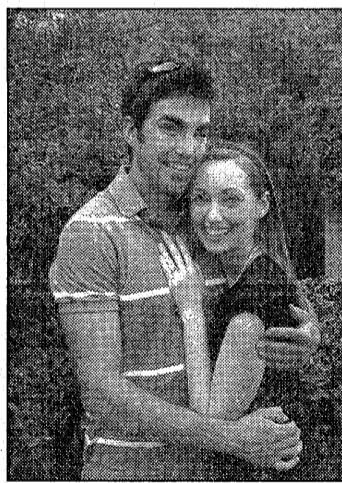
Arthur and Charlotte Zimmie

### 60TH ANNIVERSARY

Arthur and Charlotte Zimmie of Farmington Hills, formerly of Redford Township, celebrated their 60th anniversary on May 21, 2009.

Art worked for years at Twin Pines Farm Dairy. Their four children, Nancy, Dale, Dan and Kathy "Jumped" with Art on his milk route. Art later worked for and retired from Michigan Bell Telephone Co. Charlotte worked at home and at various church functions.

The couple lived and laughed in Redford Township for 50 years and attended Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church. They're now members of Grace Lutheran Church.



Pittenger-Schofield



Pulliam-Anders

### PITTENGER-SCHOFIELD

Jana Jo Pittenger and Justin Daniel Schofield announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Randy and LaGay Pittenger, of Belton, Texas. She is a 2009 graduate of Abilene Christian University. She will be continuing her studies in Speech Pathology at the University of Texas - Dallas.

Her fiancé, son of David and Cindy Schofield of Wayne, is a 2005 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School. He will student teach in the Fort Worth ISD this fall and will graduate from Abilene Christian University in December 2009.

An August 2009 wedding is planned at Western Hills Church of Christ, Temple, Texas.

Gayla Joy Pulliam of Athens, Ga., and Jared Lee Anders of Westland announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stan Pulliam of Athens, Ga., graduated from Thomas Edison State College with a bachelor of arts degree in piano performance. She is self-employed as a nutrition and environmental consultant with the Shaklee Corp.

Her fiancé, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Anders of Westland, graduated from the Thomas Edison State College with a bachelor of arts degree in piano performance and works for CollegePlus! as an academic coach.

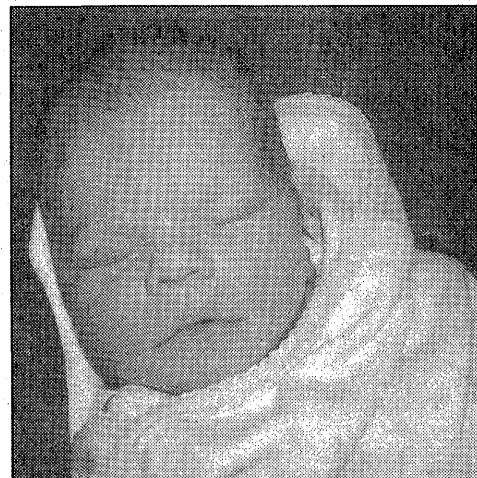
A spring 2010 wedding is planned.

### ALEXIS CAROLINE ADELMAN

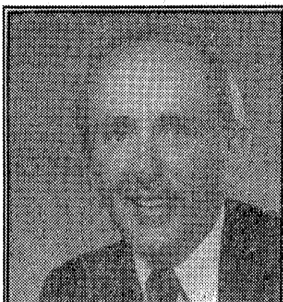
Alexis Caroline Adelman was born May 2, 2009, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Proud parents are Ronald and Vanessa Adelman of Plymouth.

Grandparents are Timothy and Adrienne Bodnar of Plymouth, and Michael and Melodie Adelman of Monroeville, Ohio. Great-grandparents are Cecelia Bodnar of Latrobe, Pa., Ruth Adelman of Monroeville, Ohio, and Richard and June Leber of Willard, Ohio.



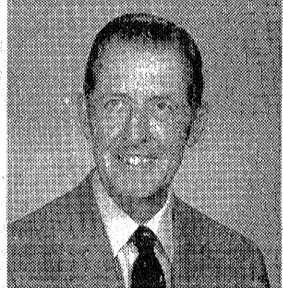
Alexis Caroline Adelman



**HENRY J., ANDRIES, SR.**  
 June 3, 2009 Age 68. Dear father of Henry J. Andries, Jr. (Jennifer) and Julie Etzel (Jim). Grandfather of Samantha Andries, T.J., Alyssa and Megan Marquardt. Brother of Margaret Godfrey (late Richard), Mary Kay Daisaso, Edward M. Andries (Anne) and Catherine A. Yaklin (Robert). Predeceased by his parents Edward M. and Catherine Hastings Andries. Family will receive friends at A.J. Desmond & Sons Funeral Home, 2600 Crooks Rd. (btwn Maple Rd. & Big Beaver), Sunday 12noon until funeral service 2p.m. Memorial tributes to the American Heart Association, 3816 Paysphere Ct., Chicago, Il 60674 or Oakland Hills Scholarship Trust, 3951 W. Maple Rd., Bloomfield Hills, MI 48301. View obituary and share memories at: www.desmondfuneralhome.com



**DOLORES BRAGGALLA**  
 Age 63. July 23, 1945 - June 4, 2009. Passed after an unexpected illness surrounded by family. Born in Detroit, MI to Eugene and Lula Milezarski. Dolores attended Detroit Public Schools and then went on to community college. She retired from AAA after 27 years of service. After retiring she went to work for Co-op Credit Union and Thrifty Flowers in Livonia where she was a resident for 26 years. Dolores loved spending time with family and friends, having a good laugh, and an evening at the casino. She is survived by her loving husband of 34 years William Braggalla. Their sons: James (Pamela) and Jason (Colleen). Grandchildren - Lauren Grace, Ashley, Hannah, Lauren Anna, Hayden. Siblings - Eugene (Theresa) Milezarski, Robert (Clarene) Milezarski, Terry (Diane) DeWalt, and Fran Ward and a host of nephews, nieces and cousins. Visitation will be at Howe-Peterson Funeral Home - 22546 Michigan Ave, Dearborn, MI 48124. Saturday, June 6th from 5-9p.m., Sunday, June 7th from 12-9p.m. and Monday, June 8th at 11:00a.m. www.HOWEPETERSON.COM Memorial contributions can be made to the Braggalla family.



**DONALD LLOYD DAWSON**  
 Died on Friday May 29th 2009 in Renaissance Gardens at Fox Run in Novi, Michigan. He was 85 years old. He was born in Youngstown, Ohio on July 22, 1923. He was the son of Wesley J. and Emma Dawson. Donald is survived by his wife of 65 years, Lois Poirier Dawson, his brothers and sisters-in-law, Wesley and Ruth Dawson, Gene and Nancy Dawson, by his son and wife, Walter and Laura Dawson, and his daughters and husbands, Laura and Jack Keaton and Donna and Gary Rinkenberger. He has eight grandchildren, Michael (Julie) Keaton, Owen (Nicole) Keaton, Kristan (Kirk) LaFon, David (Megan) Dawson, Gregory Dawson, Arny (Tim) Shillair, Brenda (John) Wilsheire and Bryce Rinkenberger, and six great-grandchildren. Don was a member of his high school National Honorary Society. He attended Ohio Wesleyan University and was a member of the Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity. Don was an accountant for General Motors for 41 years. He was a lifelong member of the United Methodist Church and for 58 years a member of First United Methodist Church in Birmingham, where for some years he sang in the choir and helped with their financial records. For some time too, he was the District representative for the Church Boy Scout Troop B-32. He and his wife were avid Square Dancers. In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory can be made to Ohio Wesleyan University 61 S. Sandusky St. Delaware, Ohio 43015 or to the Birmingham First United Methodist Church, 1589 W. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Condolences may be sent to Lois Dawson, 41215 Fox Run Road, Room #108, Novi, MI 48377.

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**FREDERICK CARL JANZ**  
 Age 89, died Friday, May 29, 2009. He was born on April 30, 1920 in Lansing, MI. A Certified Public Accountant, Frederick was a founding partner of Janz & Knight. He received a bachelor degree from Michigan State University. He is predeceased by Richard Janz. Frederick is survived by: his wife, Lorraine Copeland Janz of Bloomfield Hills, MI, children Michael Janz of Plymouth, MI; William Janz of Oceanside, CA; Carol Janz of Longmont, CO; Linda Janz Faison of Oldsmar, FL, ten grandchildren and one great-grandchild. A memorial Service will be held at Kirk in the Hills, Bloomfield Hills at 11:00 a.m. on June 13, 2009. Arrangements made by the Wm. R. Hamilton Co. - Mount Clemens.



**KELLY JONES**  
 Age 45, of Bayonet Point, FL, died May 29, 2009 at home. She was born in Ann Arbor, MI, and moved to Bayonet Point from Plymouth, MI in 2005. She was employed by Eastern Research. Kelly was preceded in death by her father Bob Jones and her brother Timothy Jones. She is survived by her mother Kay Jones-Care and her step-father Jim Care of Bayonet Point, sister Kimberly Taylor of Westland, MI, grandmother Marie Johnson of Port Richey, FL, and by aunts, uncles and cousins. Visitation and services on Friday, June 5, 2009 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth (734) 453-3333.

**ANN MARIE LUCIUS**  
 Age 85, passed away June 3, 2009. She was born on February 9, 1924, in Chicago, IL, to the late Joseph and Hattie (Lewandowski) Miller. Ann is survived by her son Edward J. (Sheri) Lucius; grandsons Nicholas, Zachary, and Jacob. She was preceded in death by her husband Edward in 1997, daughter Cheryl Ann Lucius; brothers: Joseph, Kenneth, and Edwin Miller. A funeral service was held on Saturday, June 6, 2009. Arrangements entrusted to PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. Online guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com



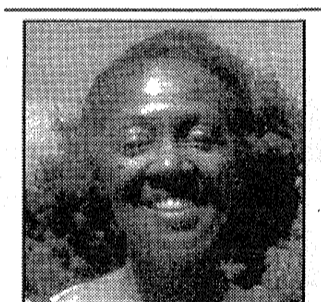
**GLORIA J. SMITH**  
 Age 65, of Canton, June 4, 2009. Beloved wife of Robert J. Smith. Loving mother of Rebecca (Josh) Wireman. Proud grandmother of three. Dear sister of David (Diane) Westbrooks. She also leaves several nieces and nephews. Visitation Wednesday 3:30 until 4:00 PM funeral service at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 W Ann Arbor Road (between Sheldon and Beck) Plymouth. Interment Knollwood Memorial Park. To share memories please visit: vermeulenfuneralhome.com

**ROBERT SMITH KENDALL**  
 Age 86, passed away June 2, 2009 at Olde Knox Commons in Huntersville, NC. Mr. Kendall, formerly of Seven Lakes, NC and formerly of Birmingham, MI was born in Springfield, MA on July 14, 1922 to the late Marion and Harold Kendall and grew up in New Rochelle, NY and in his later life, Birmingham, MI. Bob attended Baldwin High School where "Pro" (short for professor) Bob as he was initially known was involved in athletics and was popular amongst everyone leading him ultimately into school leadership. Later as a musician, Bob led a popular local dance band called the Sultans of Swing where he was known as King Kat playing his bass with classmates that became his closest, lifelong friends. A proud WWII veteran, Bob served in the 25th Lightning Division in the Pacific and earned a B.A. degree at Ohio Wesleyan University where he was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. While at Ohio Wesleyan he met his loving wife of over 50 years, the former Barbara Jean Fenton who passed away in February 2000. They made their home in Birmingham, MI before retiring to Seven Lakes, NC in 1990 where they enjoyed golfing. Prior to retirement, Bob spent the bulk of his career at Sealest Foods as Director of Personnel and Labor Relations and was with them for over 24 years, then worked with the City of Birmingham as Director of Personnel and at Detroit Pure Milk Company. Bob is survived by his son, Thomas and daughter-in-law Laura of Davidson, NC; daughter Jyl of Olympia, WA; daughter Ann of Beverly Hills, MI; daughter Kim Melugin and son-in-law Jamie of Garland, TX; five grandchildren and sister Edith Wagner and her husband Ralph of West Bloomfield, MI. The family would like to thank all of the caring staff at Olde Knox Commons for their help and assistance over these last few months. A private memorial service will be held at a later date with arrangements being handled by Boles Funeral Homes and Crematory of Seven Lakes. Donations honoring Bob's memory may be made to Olde Knox Commons in Huntersville, 13825 Hunton Lane, Huntersville, NC 28036 for the Activity Department. Online condolences may be made at: www.bolesfuneralhome.com

**JOHN F. "Jack" PASSFIELD**  
 Of Pt. Sanilac (formerly of Farmington Hills) passed away on June 1st at the age of 83. He was the loving husband of Nancy (Raymond) for 56 years. Jack was a WWII vet, graduate of The University of Michigan (Engineering) and NYU (MBA). Before retiring he was an executive with Michigan Bell/AT&T. Jack is also survived by his daughters Kathy (Mark) Janssen of Commerce and Sherry (Mark) Burns of Farmington Hills. He was the proud grandfather of Kristopher, Brandon, Justin and Taylor Janssen and Jordann and Alexander Burns. Visitation Wednesday June 3rd, and Thursday June 4th, 5-8pm at McCabe Funeral Home 31950 W. 12 Mile Rd. Farmington Hills. Service Thursday, 5:30pm at McCabe Funeral Home. Visitation Tuesday June 9th, from 10-11am at the Museum Church on the grounds of the Pt. Sanilac Historical Museum, followed by a funeral service at 11:00am. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Sanilac County Historical Society designated for the Museum Church or Deckererville Depot or to the Pt. Sanilac United Methodist Church. www.mccabefuneralhome.com

**THOMAS J. MCAULEY**  
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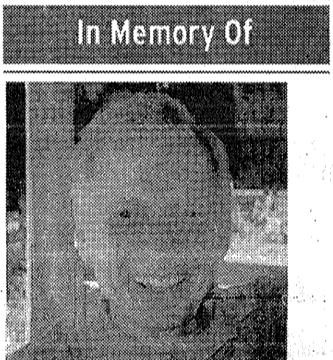
Dad, We miss your smile, your gentleness and kindness, your generosity and selflessness, your courage and the dignity in which you lived your life. How enriched your grandsons' lives would be if they would have had the privilege of knowing you! You are always in our hearts. Love from your Daughter and Family, Patty, Leo, Max, Liam and Conor.



**KERN ELIZABETH WINFIELD**  
 June 30, 1930 - May 30, 2009  
 Kern E. Winfield, 78, of Punta Gorda, FL, passed away after a long illness on May 30, 2009. Born to Dorcas and Donald McKay in Birmingham, Michigan. Married Arthur H. Winfield. She is survived by her three sons and daughter-in-laws Bruce and Jody Winfield of Lake Barrington, Illinois, Robert and Teri Winfield of Albuquerque, New Mexico, Don and Anne Winfield of Deep Creek, Florida and her brother Jim and Maureen McKay of Carefree, Arizona and sister Sally and Don Kutil of Waterford, Michigan. The family would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation to the health care staff of Fawcett Hospital 4 West for their loving care of our mother. Additionally, we want to offer our sincere appreciation to the staff at TideWell Hospice House in Port Charlotte. It is a godsend that a facility like this exists and how comforting it was to our mother and family. A celebration of her life was held at 11:00 am, Thursday, June 4, 2009 at Burnt Store Presbyterian Church. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Philanthropy Department TideWell Hospice and Palliative Care, 5955 Rand Boulevard, Sarasota, FL 34238. Arrangements are by Larry Taylor Funeral and Cremation Services.

**In Memory Of**  
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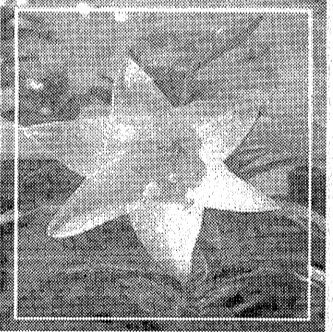
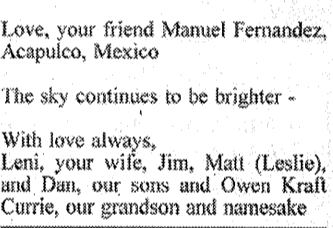
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# NEIGHBORS

## Travels with Rosie

### Pet owner, vet offer common-sense travel tips

BY JULIE BROWN  
O&E STAFF WRITER

Steve Bernstein, a lawyer practicing in Farmington Hills, has taken his dog, Rosie, as far as Prince Edward Island in eastern Canada.

"As far as you can go. You have to stop a little more often. I find that's true if you're traveling with a woman, too," he said. Rosie, a 9-year-old miniature dachshund, is a great travel companion.

"I would highly encourage it," Bernstein said of travel with a dog. "It's a lot of fun. Lots and lots of people travel with their dogs."

He reels off states Rosie's traveled to, including Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Wisconsin, New York, Iowa, Minnesota, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Maine.

"Probably others," said Bernstein, a Keego Harbor resident. "A fair estimate is 15 states and five provinces."

He says good travel with a dog starts in puppy days. He took Rosie to the park for her first car trip — not to the veterinarian. "She immediately gets the idea car travel is fun."

#### CROSSING THE BORDER

Bernstein noted for crossings to Canada you need papers that show your dog's current on shots. One time at the Canadian-U.S. border, he was asked if he'd bought dog food in Canada. He had not and the dog food was from Kroger, but he suspects

**Bernstein has never flown with Rosie. He has a client who spends winters in Arizona who says her dog does fine flying. Bernstein doesn't want his pet in a baggage compartment.**

he would have had to leave it behind if it had been bought in Canada.

"You need to know to bring water and snacks." For car trips, Bernstein uses a kennel cage with a pillow in the bottom so that Rosie has enough room to stretch safely.

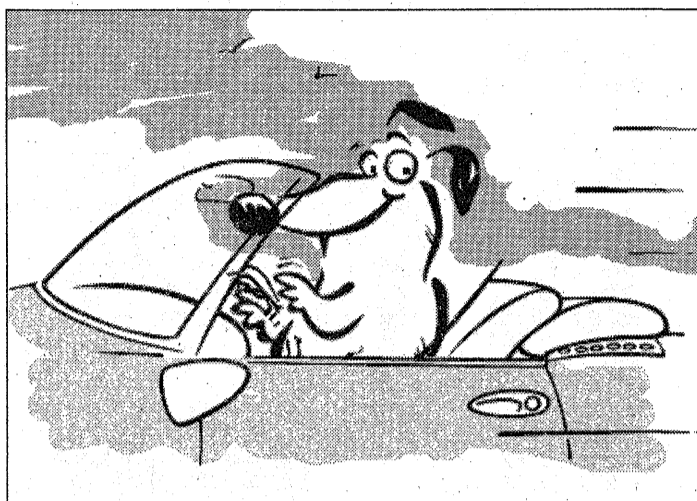
"You stop at rest stops a lot." He noted the freeway route from Detroit to Chicago has no dog-friendly stops from the Indiana line to Chicago.

"You have to kind of plan more. The same goes with hotels." Travelers with dogs need to know in advance about pet policies. AAA has a guidebook on pet travel, he said, which includes that information and also emergency vet facilities.

"It changes the nature of the travel." On trips, Bernstein tries to find out if a hotel has room service or restaurants that deliver.

He recommends asking hotels about areas to walk dogs. In Duluth, Minn., he was told about Canal Park. "The area to take the dog was basically a traffic island."

You need rest stops along the way, as well as pet-friendly hotels and nearby parks for



walking.

"It's pretty easy to scope that stuff out." Web sites like Expedia tell whether a hotel is pet-friendly. But he once booked room listed that way and found pets weren't allowed.

"I had to go somewhere else. That was in Mackinaw City." He likes to follow up on Internet information, to be sure. "The key is just a little extra planning."

An alternative to hotels is cabin rental. He said many are available in northern Michigan or other less-populated regions.

#### TRAVEL BUDDIES

Bernstein's enjoyed travels with Rosie: "Oh, I love it. It's a wonderful experience. The dog is a great companion."

Bernstein remembered being at Tahquamenon Falls in northern Michigan, with Rosie smiling and wagging her tail. "My dog loves it," he said.

At least once, Rosie seemed to pick up cues from his trip preparations.

"She knew we were going on vacation. She started jumping around."

He echoed vets' urgings not

to leave dogs in hot weather. "You have to be conscious of the dog's well-being. It's like traveling with a child, I suppose."

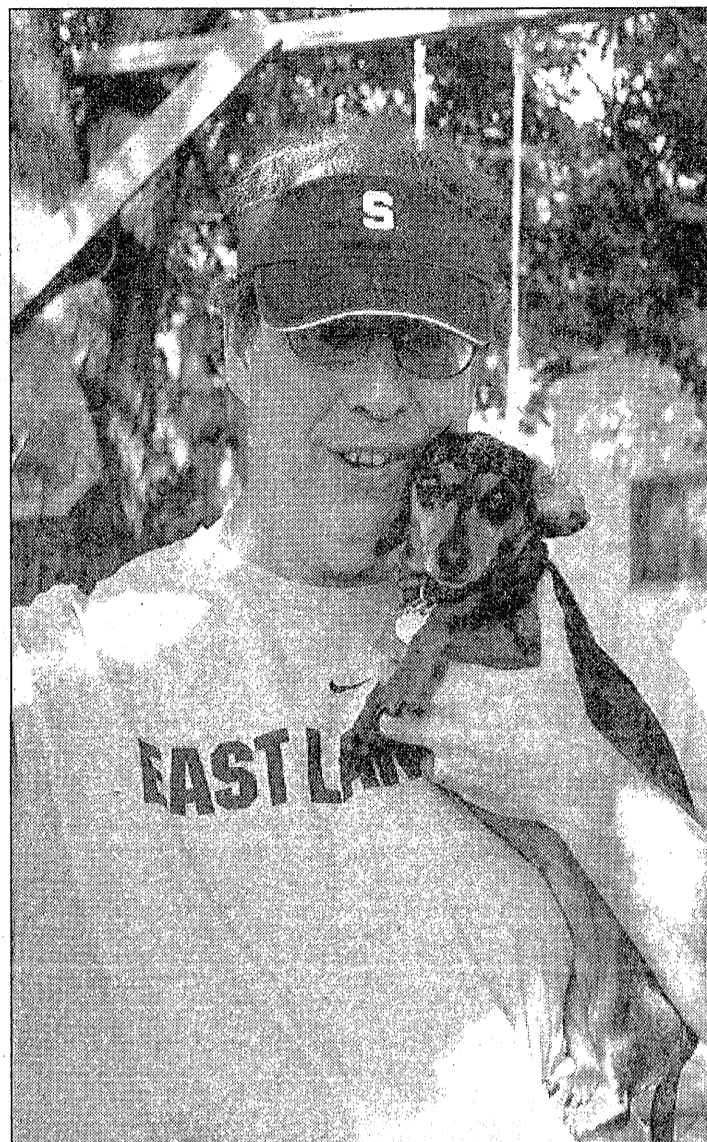
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He also finds restaurants, including some in metro Detroit, that will let you sit outside and eat if the pet's well-behaved.

Veterinarian Dr. Brad Davis, of VCA Veterinary Hospital in Garden City, added some tips for pet travel.

"You have to check with the airlines ahead of time," Davis said of flying with a pet. If your pet's in the hold, you can't monitor the situation. If the animal's with you, there may be incessant barking. "If you have a problem, you can't do anything about it," Davis said.

If the temperature's over a certain level, airlines won't fly animals. That can be a problem with a return trip from, for example, Phoenix, if the temperature climbs. "So there's a lot of inherent prob-



Farmington Hills lawyer Steve Bernstein and his dog, Rosie, are veterans of car trips, having traveled as far as Prince Edward Island in eastern Canada.

lems with trying to fly your critter," the veterinarian said.

#### STRESS MEDICATION

With car trips, you can pull over and distances traveled usually aren't as far. "You can find a vet in just about any city you stop in," Davis said.

There's a medication, Cerenia by Pfizer, to make dogs have an easier time riding.

"It basically takes away the stress." Dogs on Cerenia while traveling are less likely to vomit. "Generally, they're calmer," Davis said.

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# Books and much more

## Salvation Army media center to open soon

BY JULIE BROWN  
O&E STAFF WRITER

Kids attending summer day camp at the Wayne-Westland Salvation Army this year will have a great time. That's nothing new, but what is new is the corps' media center at its Venoy location, thanks to a \$25,000 donation from the Target Corp.

Salvation Army officials have been busy in recent months, including buying \$10,000 in computer equipment and a security system. They aim to have the center functional by June 22 other than the 1,000 or so books, which will follow shortly.

"They can get on the Internet," corps commander Capt. Derek Rose said of users. "We're working with MichiganWorks!" That state agency helps with job opportunities, a particular need in

the Norway neighborhood where the Salvation Army facility is located.

"Right now, we're mainly focusing on the youth books," Rose said, adding there will also be titles for adults. He's working with staffers from the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland, and plans to involve the Wayne library as well.

Wayne-Westland educators are excited about the new resource. "We stress reading for early ages," said Laura Beckman, principal of the nearby Jefferson-Barns Elementary School. She's pleased the media center will be available to her students.

"We're really happy to have the library right down the street from us," Beckman said.

"At Jefferson-Barns, we encourage parents to read to their children from birth throughout their elementary years. To have easy access to books and other resources will truly help our community do this. We appreciate the efforts of the city and organizations who have made this possible," Beckman added.

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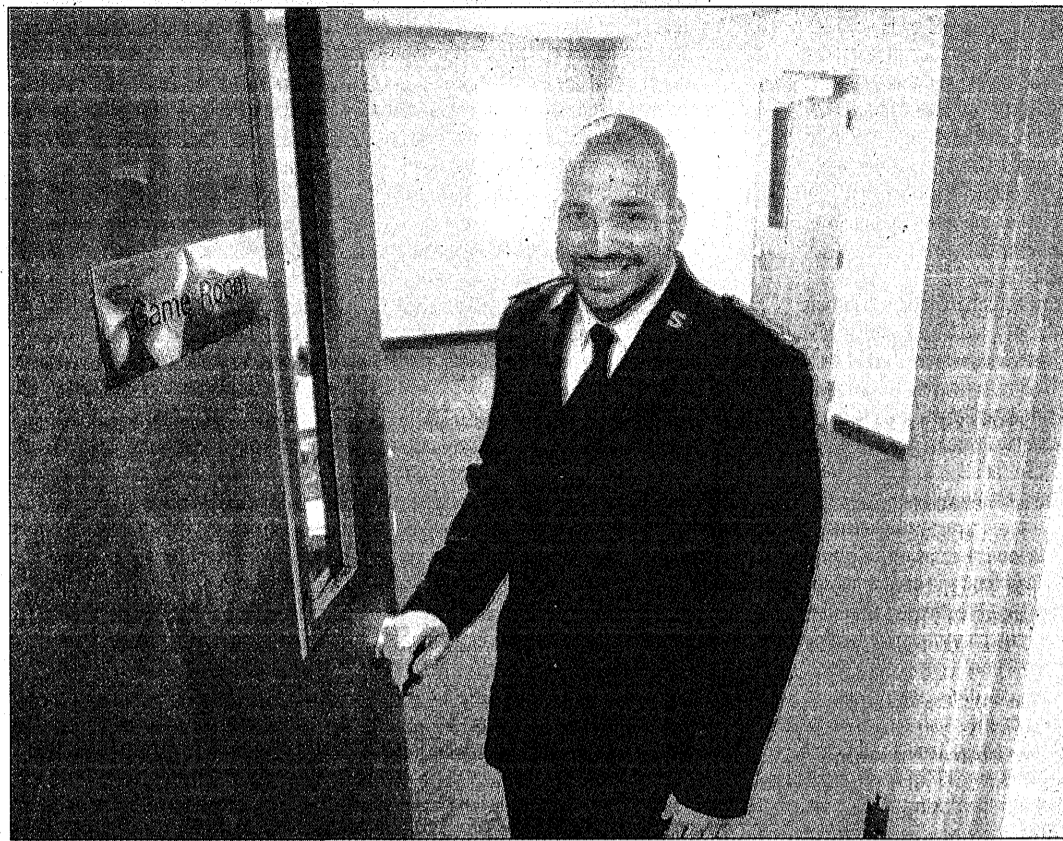
up the last week of May. A "soft opening" for the media center will be held in June and include day camp families and those who worship at the center on Venoy south of Palmer. A larger grand opening is set for the second week of September.

Beginning in the fall, the facility will be open to community adults 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays. It will also be open 3-7 p.m. weekdays for students in the Salvation Army after-school program.

The corps bought a filter for the Web to block inappropriate content "but still give you the ability to search, which is good," Rose said. He hopes nearby residents will say "Hey, this is a resource in your community now."

Additional information is available from Rose or his wife and fellow corps commander, Capt. Joanna Rose, at (734) 722-3660. The media center will need volunteers for staffing during those hours, and you're encouraged to call if interested.

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Work continues on the former game room. According to Salvation Army Capt. Derek Rose, the new computer lab will help adults with job searches and students with school assignments.



Rosie, Steve Bernstein's dachshund, does well in the car traveling, with enough room to stretch.

## TRAVELS

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You'll need a rabies certificate for crossing to Canada. "Your vet should be able to print one up for you," he said. Those usually are not required for domestic flights.

Rules on international flights depend on where you're flying. In the United Kingdom, there's a six-month hold on dogs coming into the country. "Different countries have different rules," Davis said.

One positive right now is businesses giving their all to draw customers. "The hotel

chains are trying everything they can," including pet-friendly policies. If you plan ahead, travel with a pet will work out just fine in most cases, Davis said.

His family usually flies on trips, but has camped with pets. "It's neat to be out doing something with your critter."

He recommends no sedation for a flight, because it's basically like getting a pet drunk. Davis agreed you need to be alert to cars being too hot.

"We've already had a heatstroke and it was 80 degrees. You've got to be very careful about leaving a critter in the car."

## IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

### PASS THE POPCORN

Keep your Kinyarwanda dictionary at hand — or just relax and read the English subtitles — at this month's Film Movement screening at the Livonia Civic Center Library.

The Rwandan film *Munyurangabo* runs 97 minutes and will be shown at 6:30 p.m., Monday, June 15 in the library auditorium, 32777 Five Mile.

The film tells the story of two boys from different ethnic groups. Munyurangabo wants justice for his parents who were killed in the genocide, and his friend, Sangwa, wants to visit the home he deserted years ago. They visit Sangwa's home, but their friendship is tested when Sangwa's wary parents disapprove of Munyurangabo, warning that "Hutus and Tutsis are supposed to be enemies."

The film opened last month in New York. Film Movement releases a new independent or foreign film, such as *Munyurangabo*, on DVD every month to its subscribers, while the film is simultaneously shown in theaters. Livonia Civic Center Library will add the film to its permanent collection soon after the screening.

"We've been doing it for about a year and a half," said librarian Carol Guerriero, describing the Livonia library's participation in Film

Movement. "It's handled through a library supply company. Film Movement is a subsidiary. The subscription service tries to get films that were recently released and are award winning, from around the world.

"It's year-round. And the DVD ends up in our collection."

Patrons can see a new film every third Monday of the month. Admission is free.

Learn more about the Film Movement program at [www.filmmovement.com](http://www.filmmovement.com). For more information about the library's showings, call (734) 466-2197 or visit <http://livonia.lib.mi.us/movementseries>.

Next film up on July 20: *The Windrow from Argentina*.

### TENNIS, ANYONE?

Plymouth-Canton Community Education is offering a tennis skills camp for youngsters and teens. Registration has begun for classes that will run from June 23-July 9.

The Camp will emphasize fundamentals, basic techniques, rules, and scoring. It's designed to be fun while helping students get fit, develop and improve techniques for ground strokes, serve and volley, along with footwork and coordination. Drills, games, competition, and fun activities will be used. A fun mini-tournament and party will be held at the end of the series.

Each player will receive a certificate of completion. Cost is \$75. Class times are 1:30-2:30 p.m., for beginners, age 10-12; 2:30-3:30 p.m., for beginners, age 12-14; and 3:30-4:30 p.m., for intermediate and advanced players, age 12 and up. Classes meet Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday on the Plymouth High School tennis courts.

An introduction to tennis series, designed by the United States Professional Tennis Association, offers instruction in fundamentals, including tennis concepts, terminology and skills. The six-class session incorporates games like "Zoo", "Four Corner Relay", "Silly Tennis", "Ralleyball", and

more. Tennis racquets provided for those who do not have their own. Participants should wear comfortable clothing, tennis shoes, sunscreen and bring a water bottle to lessons. Cost is \$75. Two sessions, for children age 6-10, are available: June 22, 24, 29 and July 1, 6 and 8 or July 13, 15, 20, 22, 27 and 29. They meet 10-11 a.m., Mondays and Wednesdays at Discovery Middle School. To register, call Plymouth-Canton Community Education at (734) 416-2937 or visit [www.pccs.k12.mi.us/communityed.asp](http://www.pccs.k12.mi.us/communityed.asp).

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JUNE 8-14

**Fatigue**  
6 p.m. Wednesday, June 10, learn what causes you to feel fatigue and how to get your energy back during a lecture at Noble Library, 32901 Plymouth Rd., Livonia. Limited to 30 guests. For reservations, call (734) 756-6904. Presented by Dr. Carol Ann Fischer, chiropractor and holistic physician.

**Fund-raiser**  
The National Multiple Sclerosis Society and Matt Prentice Restaurant Group team up to present a charity fund-raiser during the 2009 finals of the Air Race World Championship, Sunday, June 14, on the Detroit River. Ticket-holders can view the race from atop the seven-story Beaubien Garage. The party will include barbecue food stations with a wide selection of food and beverages catered by the Matt Prentice Restaurant Group. The complimentary bar will include wines, beers, juices and soft drinks. A special drink station will feature Dragon Bleu Vodka. Limited outdoor seating and a family game area. Tickets are \$150 per person and will benefit the MS Society. Buy online at www.nationalmssociety.org/mig or call (248) 351-2190, Ext. 225.

**Childbirth education**  
St. Mary Mercy Hospital offers a one-day workshop, "Let's Get Ready to Have a Baby," 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, June 13. Learn what to expect during pregnancy, labor and delivery and make the entire experience more rewarding. Call (734) 655-1162, or register online visit stmarymercy.org and click on classes & events. The hospital is located at 36475 Five Mile, Livonia.

JUNE 15-21

**Educational seminar**  
Coronary Artery Disease: Advances in Treatment, a free educational seminar presented by St. Mary Hospital at the Livonia Community Recreation Center 10-11 a.m. Monday, June 15. The speaker is Ed Motley, Manager Heart and Vascular Center, St. Mary Mercy Hospital. Registration required. Call (734) 655-8950.

**Fibromyalgia and chronic Pain**  
Health class takes place 7 p.m. Thursday, June 18, at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile. No charge but limited to 15 guests. Reservations requested. Call (734) 756-6904. Presented by Dr. Carol Ann Fischer, chiropractor and holistic

physician.  
**ALS of Michigan fund-raiser**  
Join ALS of Michigan (Lou Gehrig's Disease) for its 4th Annual Lou Gehrig Day at Comerica Park 4:05 p.m. Saturday, June 20. A limited number of tickets are still available for this nationally televised game between our Detroit Tigers and the Milwaukee Brewers. Proceeds will enable the nonprofit to provide Michigan programs and services to benefit people with ALS and their families. It also helps support research into the cause, treatment and cure of this devastating disease. Two ticket packages are available at \$50 and \$100 per person, and include a ticket and a commemorative Lou Gehrig Day T-shirt. The \$100 package includes a baseball buffet luncheon and silent auction at Hockeystown Café from 1:30 p.m. to game time, with several retired Detroit Tigers on hand for a special meet-and-greet. For information and to order tickets, call (800) 882-5764, Ext. 225, or visit www.alsofmichigan.org. ALS attacks the motor neurons in the brain and spinal cord that control the ability to move, speak, swallow and eventually breathe, while the mind stays fully aware. Gehrig, the legendary New York Yankee, succumb to the disease.

JUNE 22-28

**The key to health**  
7 p.m. Tuesday, June 23, at Whole Foods, 7350 Orchard Lake Rd., West Bloomfield. The key to health is a fully functioning digestive system. The key to restoring health naturally will be discussed along with simple solutions. Limited to 20 guests. For reservations, call (734) 756-6904. Presented by Dr. Carol Ann Fischer, chiropractor and holistic physician. No charge.

ONGOING

**Fitness classes**  
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**Overeaters Anonymous**

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**Breast cancer support group**  
Meets 6:30-8 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month in the Atrium of Our Lady of Hope Cancer Center, St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile (use south entrance off Levan), Livonia. Call (734) 655-1100, or visit www.stmarymercy.org.

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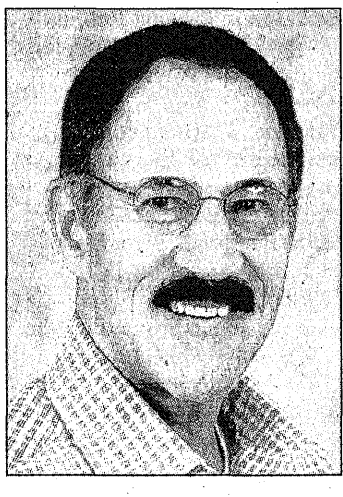
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**Parkinson Support**  
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**CPR classes**  
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# WSU researcher studies 3-prong approach to treating mental health disorders

For people suffering with both severe mental health and substance use disorder, the best treatment could be a combination of patient-centered therapies, according to a Wayne State researcher.



Schoener

Eugene P. Schoener, who holds a Ph.D. and is a professor of pharmacology and psychiatry and behavioral neurosciences in WSU's School of Medicine, received a \$250,000 grant from the Flinn Foundation to determine the effectiveness of combined Motivational Interviewing (MI), Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) and substance abuse treatment on the recovery of patients with severe mental illness and substance abuse problems.

The study will take place at Kadima, a non-profit mental health services agency with Jewish roots based in Southfield.

"MI and CBT are complementary approaches based on the notion that patients have to own and resolve their own problems," stated Schoener, a Farmington Hills resident. "MI helps the individual appreciate the nature of their problem and develop the motivation to change their behavior, and CBT provides a comprehensive set of tools to do it. We're hoping that these two elements, along with the knowledge and skills of treating substance abuse will help to promote not just clinician skill levels, but actually change the way Kadima delivers services."

Previous studies strongly suggest that both MI and CBT are highly effective for a wide range of mental illnesses including substance abuse. However, most studies were conducted in laboratory settings and addressed the problems separately. Schoener's study offers the opportunity to observe the influence of MI and CBT when treating mental illness and substance abuse concurrently in a real-life setting.

"About 60 percent of patients with severe mental illness have a co-occurring substance abuse problem," Schoener stated. "If you don't deal with both problems concurrently, one disorder can sabotage progress made with the other. Our combined therapy approach is designed to address the reality of all these problems together, the way they occur in the real world."

**MOTIVATING THE PATIENT**  
MI is a non-judgmental, non-confrontational method of engaging patient motivation to change their thoughts and behavior. Past studies have shown that MI builds a greater sense of trust and a stronger overall alliance between therapist and client and redefines the patient as having a more active role in their recovery. "This isn't the clinician giving the patient a pep talk; in fact it's just the opposite," Schoener said. "It's eliciting the motivation within that person. The therapist is no longer there to 'fix' somebody, but rather to facilitate and assist the client in achieving their best."

CBT is a goal-oriented, systematic approach in which patients work to identify the underlying causes for dysfunctional thoughts, feelings or behaviors then restructure their thoughts to be healthier and more productive. Shown to be effective in the treatment of mood disorders, anxiety disorders, personality disorders, substance abuse disorders, and psychotic disorders, CBT requires focused and deliberate participation of the patient. "It's not simply meeting every week to chat. There is homework involved, and patients really have to work at it. The reward for all their hard work, however, is being far better equipped to maintain wellness, undertake new challenges and achieve more in their lives."

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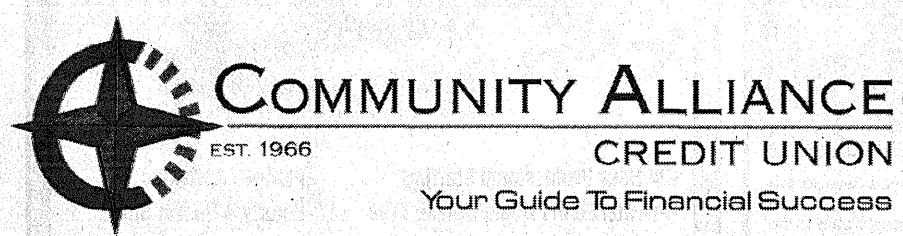
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## LOBBY YOUR COMPANY TO ROOT OUT INCIVILITY



**WORKWISE**  
by  
**Mildred L. Culp**

You know that a co-worker's poor behavior toward you can sometimes stop you in your tracks. Even if you spend only a minute or two thinking about it, that behavior has distracted you from your work.

Incivility is one step away from

lost productivity. "The Cost of Bad Behavior: How Incivility Is Damaging Your Business and What To Do About It," by Christine Pearson and Christine Porath, makes the case for organizations but doesn't explain how employees can team with their companies to effect change (forthcoming, July, Penguin). Tapping more than 9,000 people, the authors determined that:

-- "Fifty-three percent of employees surveyed lost work time worrying about the incident and future interactions with the offender.

-- "Twenty-eight percent lost work time trying to avoid the offender.

-- "Thirty-seven percent reported a weakened sense of commitment to their organizations.

-- "Twenty-two percent reduced their efforts at work.

-- "Ten percent decreased the amount of time they spent at work."

In addition, some people started job hunting, which meant more distraction, less productivity.

These statistics quantify the toll on targets and suggest why, in a large company, they might go to EAP for help or, in small ones, private counseling. However, appealing to EAP or HR about an individual case -- yours -- can be dangerous. You might find yourself in a worse situation as more people become involved. Clearly, the best thing to do is not approach it as a problem you're facing, but one that takes its toll on the entire workplace.

Tackling the issue of financial rather than emotional or psychological cost can be extremely effective, because it isolates some of the sparks. What steps do you need to take?

Look outside of yourself. It's no secret that external customers feel the brunt. Consider some of the broad ramifications for targets. Rick Maurer, consultant in change management and organizational health at Maurer & Associates in Arlington, Va., points out, "When (uncivil) employees have any interaction with the public, every time they pick up a phone, they're sending a message that this is a company that doesn't respect people. That's huge."

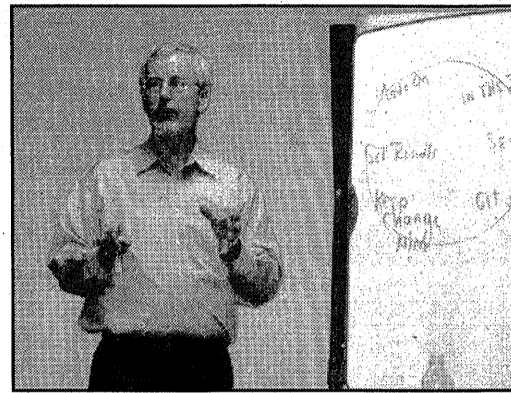
The future of employee morale and recruiting efforts is also at stake. If you work in a company with uncivil people, you might well watch how they

"drive away really talented people," Maurer says. "Talented people like to work with other people who inspire them, and so they're likely to self-select around those people. Nasty people hold people back. You could risk losing those talented people to another organization." Maurer further indicates that the toll can be particularly severe in a cubicle environment in a favorable economy.

The fact that one person gets away with being uncivil suggests that an entire culture is acquiescing to incivility, which should give you impetus to move forward. Incivility is a canker. Think about amount of time lost times the amount of money a person makes per hour. Then consider the cost of a job seeker attempting to escape the incivility and the cost of replacing an employee. Factor in the incalculable costs of driving away even one customer and damage to the company's reputation and recruiting efforts.

Once you have these findings on paper, you're ready to go to HR to request training to increase corporate awareness and teach the skills required to counter incivility effectively. If you're the target and you don't have the power or influence to do this, find allies in the company who agree that this isn't just your problem, but one with short- and long-term financial ramifications for the company.

Maurer advises targets to pursue training "if you want to learn more yourself. I'd put the caveat of not expecting to send the uncivil person to



Credit: Maurer & Associates

**Rick Maurer maintains that if your organization has uncivil people in it, you can still do something about it. His Arlington, Va.-based company, Maurer & Associates, specializes in assuring change that enhances organizational health.**

training and have that do any good. Organizations do that all of the time, but I don't know of success stories."

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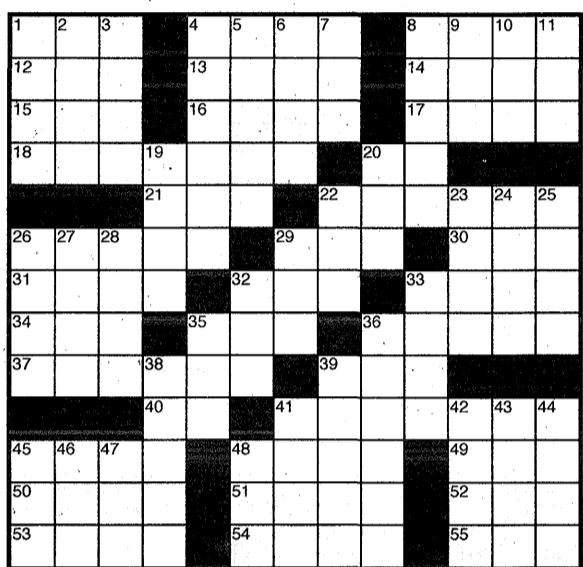
- ACROSS**
- Ruin a nylon
  - Rum-soaked cake
  - Heckle
  - Foreman foe
  - Mountains or river
  - Pierre's girl
  - Kind
  - Hopped on
  - Concerning
  - Codgers' queries
  - Snuggle
  - Bossa nova kin
  - Lobster eggs
  - Alley from Moo
  - Director - Kazan
  - Playground game
  - Viking letter
  - Fruit drink
  - Gasp of delight
  - River vessel

- DOWN**
- Window part
  - Brand for Bowser
  - Prefix with byte
  - Gautama
  - Sign after Pisces
  - Orchestra
  - Gore and Capone
  - Crow's-nest cry (2 wds.)
  - Long-handed implement
  - Dorothy's aunt
  - Jarring
  - Way out
  - Doggie treat
  - Egg - yung
  - Burnoose weaver
  - Jug
  - Tijuana "Mrs."
  - Rowboat
  - Low voice
  - Grain morsel

### Answer to Previous Puzzle

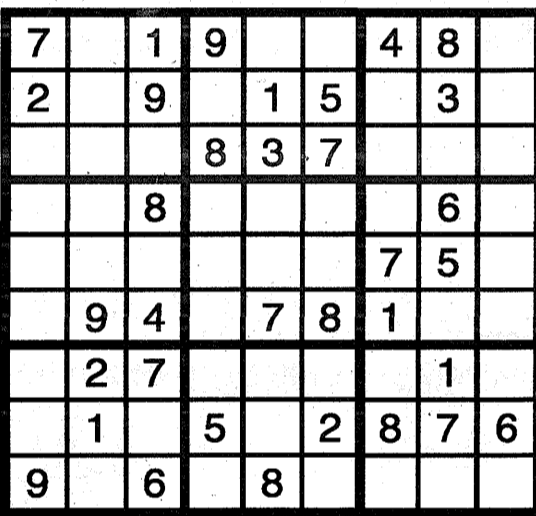
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- ACROSS**
- 20 Weep over
  - 22 Machine tooth
  - 23 Gloomy
  - 24 Hanker for
  - 25 Fencing sword
  - 26 Elite Navy diver
  - 27 TV's Hawkeye
  - 28 Manner
  - 29 Stadium noise
  - 32 Likewise
  - 33 Engrossed
  - 35 Resistance unit
  - 36 Short jacket
  - 38 Run for the roses
  - 39 Water-lily painter
  - 41 Dewlap
  - 42 In that case (2 wds.)
  - 43 Ibsen heroine
  - 44 Bearded animal
  - 45 Role model, maybe
  - 46 El Dorado loot
  - 47 Boathouse gear
  - 48 Maude of TV
- DOWN**
- 8 Evaluated
  - 9 Pop singer - Grant
  - 10 Close a parka
  - 11 Last letter
  - 19 "Fancy" singer

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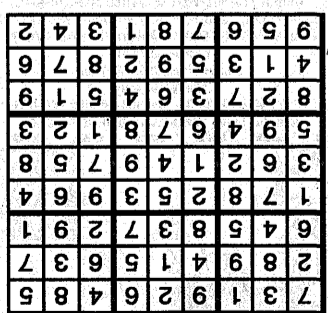
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|---------|-----------|--------|
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| HAIL    | RAIN      | SQUALL |

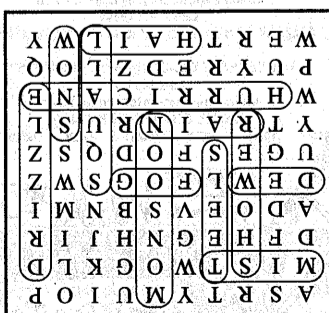
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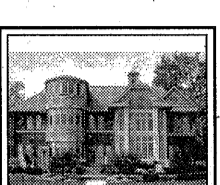
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# Sierra Hybrid Gets More Fuel Efficient For 2009

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If you use your work truck for work, you don't have to scramble to find a smaller, more fuel-efficient alternative, just yet. When the 2009 GMC Sierra Hybrid goes on sale in the fall, it will provide the capability expected of a full-size truck — a 6,100-pound towing capacity — while achieving an estimated 25-percent improvement in overall fuel economy.

By combining General Motors' patented two-mode hybrid system and a 332-horsepower V8 engine, the Sierra Hybrid will perform highly efficiently, even when the truck is fully loaded or towing a trailer.

In this two-mode system, there is one mode for city driving and another for highway driving. The first mode of the system is for low speed and light loads. In this mode, the hybrid system can operate with electric power only, engine power only and any combination of engine and electric power. When the first mode operates as electric only, fuel consumption is reduced in heavy stop-and-go traffic by shutting off the engine for extended periods of time and moving exclusively under electric power at low speeds.

The second mode is primarily used at highway speeds. In addition to electric assist, the second mode integrates sophisticated electronic controls, such as

Active Fuel Management, to allow even more efficient engine operation with electric motors less than half the size of a traditional "one-mode" hybrid system. GMC is the latest General Motors brand to the two-mode hybrid game. Sister division Chevrolet had the most well-received large hybrid model in the 2008 Chevy Tahoe two-mode hybrid.

However, GMC isn't new with pairing the Sierra with hybrid technology. The company offered a light hybrid version of the full-size pickup for the 2005-07 model years.

But that used the now archaic type of hybrid system that was limited to only offering engine idle shutoff. Thus, fuel economy was improved by a meager 8 percent, at best. With an estimated 40-percent better fuel economy in city driving, the real savings come when you're driving the new Sierra Hybrid in the electric mode at speeds under 30 mph.

Official fuel economy ratings have not been released, but the Sierra Hybrid should deliver mileage of about 20 mpg in the city and 20 mpg on the highway, GM says.

Like the Chevrolet Silverado pickup, the Sierra Hybrid will be offered only as a crew cab with a 5-foot-9-inch bed. Rear- and four-wheel drive versions will be offered. Pricing hasn't been announced, but it



GMC says the 2009 Sierra Hybrid achieves 40 percent greater city fuel economy and a 25 percent improvement in overall fuel economy when compared to the standard Sierra, which gets an EPA-rated 13 mpg city and 18 mpg highway.

should start in the low- to mid-\$30,000 range.

Towing capacity, while capable, does take a hit in comparison to some gas-powered Sierras, which can tow as much as 10,500 pounds. But, at 6,100 pounds, this capability should suffice for most.

That kind of power is enough to pull a car trailer or a small boat.

From a design standpoint, the Sierra Hybrid is virtually identical to the regular Sierra. A few tweaks have been made to help the truck perform to its full potential.

To reduce drag and cool the engine, it has a slightly deeper front air dam. It also comes standard with a three-segment hard tonneau cover for the bed and rides on special P265/65R18 tires designed for low-rolling resistance.

Other aesthetic changes include hybrid cladding plastered all over the exterior. Unfortunately this is highlighted by tacky graphics that spell out "hybrid" on the windshield, rear window and on both sides of the truck. Much less offensive are hybrid badges on the front fenders and tailgate. Underneath the sheet metal, the power steering system and air conditioning compressor will be electrically driven. Like in all two-modes, regenerative braking will

charge the batteries.

On the inside, the truck will have seating for up to six people. The dash will feature an 8-inch touch screen with a power flow schematic to show if the power is coming from the electric motors, the gasoline engine, or both.

There will also be a special tachometer and an economy gauge, the latter of which has a green bar representing maximum fuel economy. The tachometer will have an Auto Stop reading to indicate when the gasoline engine is shut off.

Standard safety features will include dual-stage front airbags, curtain side airbags, a tire-pressure monitor, traction control, and GM's StabiliTrak electronic stability control. Kevin Koloian covers General Motors Corp. for Avanti NewsFeatures and allopinionsallthetime.com. Write to him at avanti1054@aol.com. Distributed by Fracassa News Group. ©2009, Fracassa Communications.

**2009 GMC Sierra Hybrid**  
Vehicle class: Pickup truck.  
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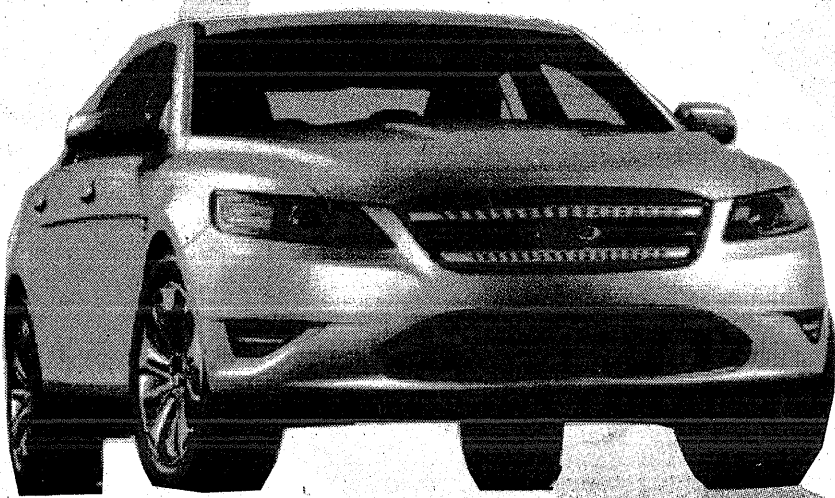
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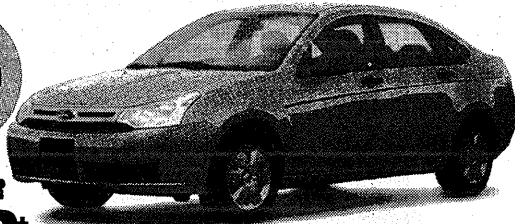
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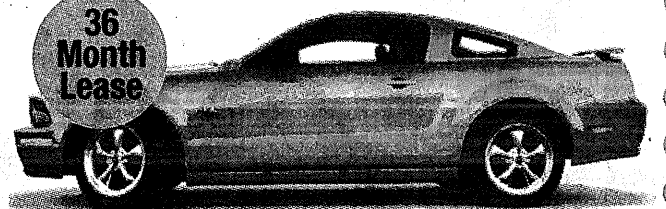
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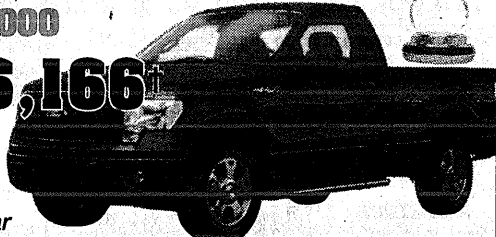


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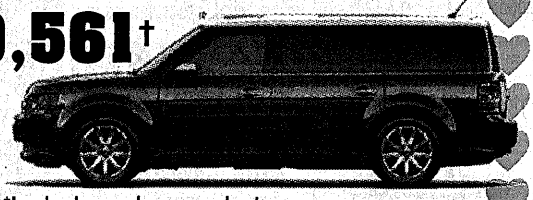


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