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What was the most important thing your father ever taught you? Tell us in 100 words or fewer and include a photo of yourself and your Dad. We will publish as many tributes as we can on Father's Day.

Dad or child or both must live in Plymouth. Include your name and city and your father's name and city. Include the year photo was taken.

E-mail to bkadrich@hometownlife.com or mail to Brad Kadrich, *Plymouth Observer*, 615 W. Lafayette, Second Level, Detroit MI 48226. E-mailed photos must be in JPEG format. Call (313) 222-8899 for questions.

#### Hospice help



PHOTO BY LISA NORTO

Golfers Georgia Scappaticci of Plymouth, Stacy Peterson of Livonia and Gail lafrate of Milford took first place for a mixed team at the Angela Hospice Golf Outing.

Hospice supporters enjoyed beautiful weather and 18 holes of golf at Angela Hospice's 21st annual golf outing at Fox Hills.

Phillips Service Industries of Livonia was the outing's top sponsor. In total, the event raised more than \$50,000 for Angela Hospice's programs. The organization provides medical care and support services to patients with terminal illnesses. Serving all ages through its home hospice, inpatient hospice, prenatal and pediatric programs, Angela Hospice assisted more than 1,500 patients last year.

Call (734) 464-7810 or visit www. angelahospice.org.

#### Sunrise sale

Downtown Plymouth's annual Sunrise Sale takes place 7-10 a.m. Saturday, June 20. Bargains ranging from 20 to 50 percent off selected merchandise (with some restrictions applying) will be available. Shoppers should look for the yellow balloons outside each of the participating shops.

Participating shops include:
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Vic's Mart-All Things Purses. For details, contact the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, (734) 453-1540.

## Leaders: Loss of Fox Hills a blow

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The closing of a local Chrysler dealership isn't simply a loss of jobs and tax base, it's a tear in the fabric of the Plymouth community, local leaders say.

"They're a good, solid dealer ship," said Wes Graff, executive director of the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, of Fox Hills Chrysler Jeep, which closed its doors Tuesday. "It's a tough blow for everybody."

Graff said Fox Hills and its owner, Jim Schebil, were actively involved with the chamber, making contributions to major fund-raisers and participating in chamber events. Schebil was a guest speaker at a chamber economic forum in December, Graff said — addressing the future of the automobile industry.

"They've been good contributors to the chamber," Graff said.

Fox Hills, which is in Plymouth Township, was among hundreds of automobile dealers across the U.S. with which Chrysler L.L.C. severed ties. The Auburn Hills-based carmaker is working its way through bankruptcy and joining forces with Italy's Fiat. Schebil, a second-generation Chrysler dealer, has owned Fox Hills for more than 25 years. He has in recent weeks declined to speak about closing his business. The dealership had 54 employees.

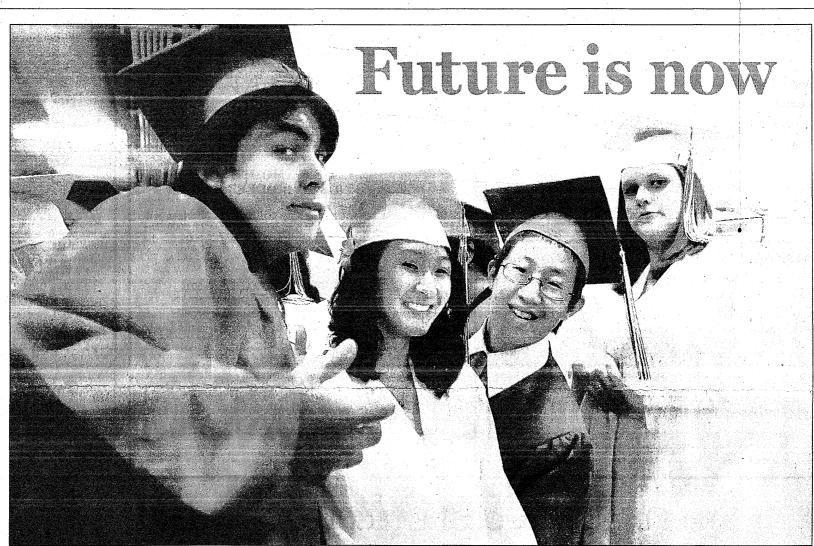
Township Supervisor Richard Reaume said Fox Hills

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The lot is nearly empty on the last day at Fox Hills Chrysler Jeep.



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Dean Nguyen, Phillip Zhang, Helen Nguyen-Tran and Rebecca Mabie wait for graduation ceremonies to begin as Canton High School's Class of 2009 bid farewell to pencils, books and "teacher's dirty looks" Sunday. For a list of the graduates and more photos, please turn to Page A5, and look for a photo gallery on our Web site at www.hometownlife.com

## Osgood inspires baby's 1st words

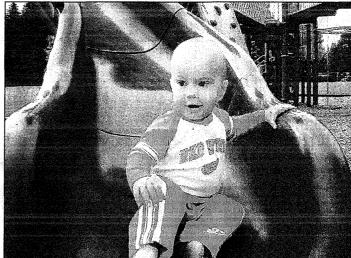
BY BRAD KADRICH OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

While the Schilp family of Plymouth sat watching the Detroit Red Wings dismantle the Pittsburgh Penguins in Game Five of the Stanley Cup Finals Saturday night, chants of "Ozzie! Ozzie!" rang throughout the house.

The chants were an homage to Red Wings goaltender Chris Osgood, himself a Plymouth resident who backstopped the Wings to a 5-0 win and a 3-2 series lead at Mellon Arena in Pittsburgh.

But the even more amazing thing didn't happen until Sunday

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10-month-old
Joe Schilp
takes the slide
a few days
after uttering
his first words
- "Ozzie!
Ozzie!" in the
aftermath of
the Red Wings'
5-0 win over
the Pittsburgh
Penguins
Saturday.

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### E-newsletters to deliver hometown via e-mail

Starting June 14 readers will have a great way to stay plugged in to their hometown news. The Observer & Eccentric and Hometown

Newspapers will debut Today's Headlines — a free electronic newsletter that will automatically send the latest news via e-mail to anyone who signs up at hometownlife.com.

"This is something we've wanted to do for a long time," said Executive Editor Susan Rosiek. "People are very busy these days but the demand for local news is high. This will make it easy for readers and advertisers to stay connected to local news that matters."

Starting Sunday, June 14, readers will be able click on the E-newsletters tab at the top left of our Web site, Hometownlife.com to sign up. Provide your e-mail address and you will soon be receiving all the latest news from your community. If I-96 or I-275 is shut down due to a rollover accident and you signed up for our Breaking News E-newsletter, there is a good chance you'll be able to avoid that traffic jam just by

checking your e-mail.

E-newsletters for all local publications will be available as well as special editions for breaking news, entertainment news and local business news.

E-newsletter subscriber contact information will be kept private so there is no need to worry that signing up will lead to a barrage of third-party sales calls or unwanted offers clogging up your e-mail inbox.

The Observer Newspaper editions – Livonia, Farmington, Plymouth, Canton, Redford, Westland and Garden City - will offer E-newsletters on Thursday and Sunday.

The local business and local entertainment newsletters will come out once a week.
"We are excited about this project," said
Advertising Director Grace Perry. "Our adver-

tisers have been asking for a more immediate

way to reach our core audience and this is it."
Go to hometownlife.com to sign up for your hometown E-newsletters and others. Subscribers will be entered into drawings June 14 through July 2 for Emagine Theatre movie passes, concert tickets at the Palace and DTE and gift certificates for dinner at restaurants throughout western Wayne and Oakland



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served as an important landmark at Ann Arbor Road and Lilley that will now be lost, although there is some interest in the property.

Reaume said he's concerned about now-jobless Fox Hills workers, such as salespeople and mechanics, and their families.

"We're all hopeful they get absorbed with other dealerships," the supervisor said. But that might take a long time, he added, because of overall slow car and truck sales.

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Reaume pointed out that Schebil, a few years ago, was instrumental in saving the Gold Cup boat races on the Detroit River. "On a regional basis, what's going to happen to the Gold Cup races?" he

Paul Sincock, Plymouth's city manager, said he views the community as service-oriented rather than governmentoriented, and that Schebil's involvement fit in with that philosophy.

"They've been a part of that. They're going to be missed,"

Sincock said.

Sincock and Schebil are both members of the Plymouth Rotary Club, and Sincock said Schebil has long been supportive of the Fall Festival and the Rotary's chicken-dinner fundraiser. "It's a sad day," he said.

A telephone recording at Fox Hills on Wednesday said: "Due to poor decisions made by the Chrysler Corporation, Fox Hills Chrysler Jeep is permanently closed for business." Customers were referred to Suburban Chrysler Jeep Dodge.

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said. "He was trying so hard to get

it right that I thought he would be

all done by the time I got the video

With the Wings losing Tuesday's

out and set. I couldn't believe I

Game Five, 2-1, the Schilps will

gather Friday in hopes of seeing

their favorite team clinch its 12th

Stanley Cup in a deciding Game

Maybe "Stanley" can be 10-

month-old Joe's second word.

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Seven from Joe Louis Arena.

caught him in the act."

## Library gearing up for reading programs

BY JULIE BROWN OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Readers of all ages will flock to the Plymouth District Library this summer as reading programs get under way.

"Any age can participate in summer reading programs," said Carol Champagne, head of youth services. "If you're O, if you're 100. And even if you're

The theme for children this summer is "Be Creative at the Library. The theme is all about the arts, Champagne said. There aren't minimum book

numbers for kids, but librarians recommend reading 20 minutes a day, good for retaining what was learned in school.

"We just want them to have fun reading," said Champagne, who pointed out readers of all ages tend to pick more fun stuff for summer.

Preschoolers participate in drop-in storytimes, and there are weekly programs for kids up to 12. After that, they go into the teen program.

The kids' program will have a kickoff 11 a.m., 2 or 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 23, at the library, 223 S. Main in downtown Plymouth. Tickets are free and first-come, first-served for the family program. Comedian O.J. Anderson will be featured, and tickets are at the library.

Registration can be done by phone at (734) 453-0750, Ext. 5, for the other kids' weekly programs, 2 and 7 p.m. Thursdays in July. Preschoolers will enjoy drop-in storytimes, for which registration isn't needed.

The drop-in storytimes will be 10 a.m. Tuesday or 7 p.m. Wednesday.

Registration has started for the summer teen program, which also has weekly programs. The kickoff party will be 6 p.m. Monday, June 15, with a mystery party, "The Diva's Dilemma." Pizza will be served. For information, call the library at (734) 453-0750,

The adult program is under way, and will run through Aug.

The Friends of the Library have provided prizes for weekly drawings. Readers are asked to put in a box at the library the name, author and their rating

of books they've read. Champagne noted all programs are popular, with about 1,600 kids in last summer's kids' program. Kids retain what they've learned during the school year from summer reading.

"And having fun with reading, getting them to come into the library. Just because they don't have school assignments we want to see them coming in the library," she said.

Champagne said people like something free they can do together. "We really want them to think of the library as a great place to come as a family," Champagne said. Registration will run through July for the kids' programs, so even those who miss the kickoff can participate.

She agreed libraries used to be quieter and "books only." They tended to serve only those who loved books already.

"We always like seeing new faces, too," Champagne said. She likes to see kids leave the library with stacks of books.

"It gives you a good feeling about what's going to happen to this country. We're not as bad off as people think we are."

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That's when 10-month-old Joe Schilp uttered his first words: "Ozzie! Ozzie!"

"We had a ton of fun as a family watching the Wings," said Joe's mom, Jenny Schilp. "We have five kids and the oldest four were chanting, 'Ozzie!" The next day, (Joe) started in with it. Chris Osgood inspired his first words."

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The family - mom and dad Jenny and Bob, sisters Emma, 11, and Grace, 9, and brothers Robert, 6, and James, 2, watched Saturday's game together and did all the requisite yelling and cheer-

The next morning, Jenny Schilp heard the words and hurried for the camcorder (Want to see Joe's first words? Go to http://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=Q6v9eqD12N0).

"Honestly, I can't believe he did it as long as he did," Jenny Schilp

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The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community

Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a

bid for Milk Products for the 2009-2010 school year.

Specifications and bid forms are available by contacting Jim Larson-Shidler in the PCCS Business Office at (734) 416-2740.

Sealed bids are due to the E.J McClendon Educational Center (attn: Milk Products Bid), 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48187 on or

before 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 23, 2009. The Board of Education

reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to

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Verizon Wireless proposes to construct a 100-foot tall monopole telecommunications tower and equipment compound located at 40111 Schoolcraft Road, Plymouth Township, Wayne County, Michigan. Verizon Wireless invites comments from any interested party regarding the likelihood that the proposed construction would adversely affect historic properties. Comments may be sent to: G2 Consulting Group, LLC. Attn. K. Bouchard 1866 Woodslee Drive, Troy, MI 48083. Comments must be received by June 30,

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#### Charity poker

A Texas Hold'em Charity Poker event to benefit New Morning School will be held at Plaza Lanes in Plymouth, located at 42001 Ann Arbor Road, between Haggerty and Lilley Roads, Thursday, June 11, through Sunday, June 14.

The event will be open each day from 5 p.m. until 2 a.m. Players must be 21 years old to play. Cash games will be held before, during and after the tournament. There is plenty of parking and food and drink will be available for purchase.

The tournament is hosted by the professional and friendly staff of Poker Palace. No preregistration is required. Call (734) 476-0348 for more details.

#### Museum bike ride

Before you let another summer go by, dust off that old bicycle and join other riders on a leisurely 10-mile tour of portions of an historic local railway system. The June 20 bike ride, sponsored by the Plymouth Historical Museum, takes participants along a stretch of the Detroit, Plymouth & Northville Railway, also known as the Detroit United Railway, or DUR, founded in 1899.

The ride also traverses a portion of the 400-mile, 13,000year-old proglacial Great Lake Whittlesey shoreline ridge. Great Lake Whittlesey formed in the Erie basin and its shoreline was formed by ice that initially drained to create an early route for aquatic life to migrate into the waters of the Great

The majority of the historical ride is on sidewalks or paved pathways with some residential streets, and there will be various "water stops" for discussions. The ride leader is Plymouth Historical Society (PHS) member Alan Van Kerckhove.

Tickets for the ride are available at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main Street, in downtown Plymouth, or online at http://www.plymouthhistory. org/Events.html, using PayPal. The cost is \$10 per person for PHS members and \$15 per person for non-members. For more information, call 734-455-8940

#### Call for crafters

The Delta Kappa Gamma **Education Society hosts its** annual juried, handmadeonly Craft Show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17, at West Middle School in Plymouth.

The event will feature some 1,500 customers, food and drawings.

Call Sandy Downs at (734) 340-4229 or e-mail Judy Stone at JBSTONE716@COMCAST.

#### DAR meets

The Daughters of the American Revolution Sarah Ann Cochrane Chapter meet at noon June 15 at Greenmead, Alexander Blue House in Livonia.

The program will be on the plant and craft auction. Attendees should bring white elephants and a favorite cook with recipes.

For more information, call (734) 459-4764.

#### **Outdoor service**

Real Life Church hosts an outdoor service 11 a.m. Sunday, June 14, in downtown Plymouth's Kellogg Park.

Worship recording artist/ minister John Wilds will do the music. If it rains, the service moves to The Gathering. Other Real Life Church dates are Sunday, July 19 and Aug, 16 at 11 a.m. The church plans to be in Plymouth for weekly services starting soon.

Plymouth's locally owned Burger Spot will be selling lunch in the park following the June service. Caribou will be selling coffee before and after the service as well. Other local restaurants and vendors will be in the park with us each month.

For more information see the church's Web site at www.reallifeplymouth.com

#### 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 recruitment meeting is designed for incoming 8th graders, but is open to any high school stu-

dent. 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.pcmb.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

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 experience 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.

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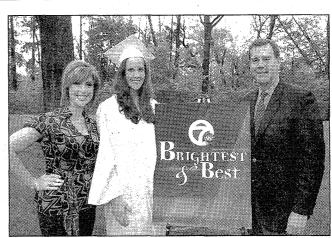
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#### **Bright spot**

Paula Manni of Plymouth Christian Academy poses with Channel 7 reporters/anchors Alicia Smith and Dave LewAllen. Manni was honored at the recent Brightest & Best event sponsored by WXYZ.

Cheryl A. Vatcher-Martin will be autographing copies of her latest children's book, "Haiku For You: With Some One Room School House History," and her other books during an appearance at the Plymouth Historical Museum 1-3 p.m. June 24.

Her other books include

"Cheryl's Musings: A Day In The Life Of An Award Winning Poet & Photographer," a slice of life vignette and mini writing guide which was released in 2008.

She'll also be at the Borders Express in Novi (inside Twelve Oaks Mall) 2-4 p.m. June 20, and at the Southgate Borders

Express, 2-4 p.m., Saturday, June 27.

Vatcher-Martin is also the

owner of Pero Inc., a full service writing, tutoring, instructional design, consulting, photography, editing and publishing company.

Her phone number is (734) 397-1626, e-mail her at peroinc5@comcast.net or visit her Web site at camartin@blogspot. com/

#### Summer dance

Registration is now open for the summer dance session at Metro Dance Company in Plymouth.

Dance classes for children, teens and adults in beginner, intermediate and advanced levels begin Monday July 6 and run for 6 weeks. Ballet, jazz, tap, lyrical, ballroom, pilates and hip hop classes offered. Multiple class and family discounts.

For more information visit www.MetroDanceCompany. com or contact the studio at (734) 207-8970.

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## PUBLIC SAFETY

## Witness helps police catch 2 in bicycle thefts

Two Canton Township teenagers, a boy and a girl, were arrested Friday evening in the theft of bicycles from the garage of a house on Tavistock, in the area of I-275 and Ann Arbor Road.

A neighbor witnessed two people take the bikes, according to a Plymouth Township Police Department report, informed the victim and then followed the suspected thieves.

An officer en route to the house was flagged down by the witness, who by that time was at a gas station on Ann Arbor Road, the report said. The two stolen bicycles had been dumped at the gas station, police said.

The witness pointed out to the officer two suspects, who were heading south along the bicycle trail parallel to nearby I-275, police said. Another officer on patrol intercepted the two and took them into custody.

Each was issued a citation for larceny. The girl, 15, was released to her grandfather, and the boy, 16, was released to his

#### Vehicle burglaries

An iPod was reported stolen Monday from a Ford Freestyle while it was parked in the driveway of a house on Red Maple Drive. The burglary occurred between 10 p.m. Sunday and 8 a.m. Monday when a car window was smashed out, police said.

A Garmin navigational device and a pair of prescription sunglasses were reported stolen Monday from a Ford Escape while it was parked in the driveway of a house on Wendover. The burglary occurred between 2 p.m. Sunday and just before 7 a.m. Monday, the victim told police.

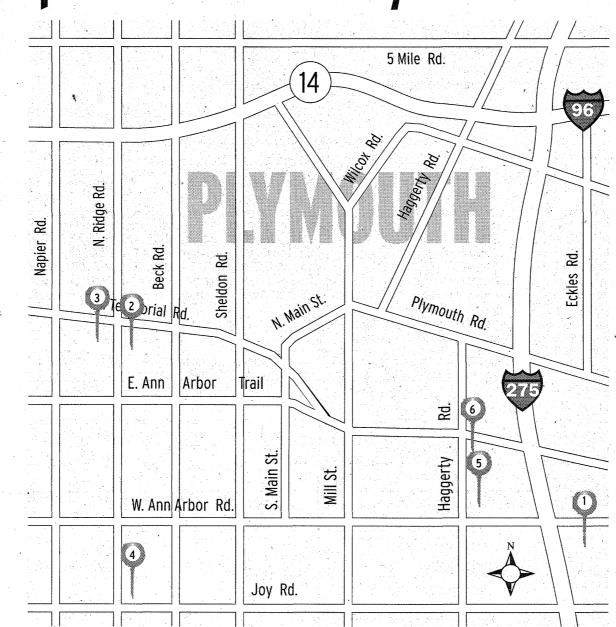
He said the vehicle had been locked; police did not report how it may have been entered.

A Magellan navigational device was reported stolen recently from a Ford Mustang parked in the driveway of a house on Quail Circle. The theft occurred between May 31 and June 4, the victim told police.

It was not known if the Mustang had been locked

#### Tire theft

The wheels, tires and lugnuts on a Chrysler 300 were stolen early Sunday while the car was parked outside a house on Newporte Drive.



Neighbors of the victim noticed the wheels missing, and the car up on landscaping blocks, about 7:30 a.m. Sunday, police said. The car had not been entered and nothing else was reported stolen, police said.

#### Blocks gone

Eighteen landscaping blocks were reported stolen from the front yard of a house on Butternut on Monday morning. The theft occurred between 8 p.m. Sunday and 6 a.m. Monday, the complainant told police.

By Matt Jachman

#### FIRE RUNS

The Plymouth Community Fire Department responded to the following runs during the period June 3-9:

• Tuesday, June 9 - Commercial rescue run on Haggerty; residential rescue runs on Northville Road, on Heritage, on Cobblestone, on Haggerty and on Marlowe; industrial rescue run on Mast; vehicle accident on I-275; investigation on Danbridge. · Monday, June 8 - Residential rescue runs

on Linden and on Crestwood. • Sunday, June 7 - Residential rescue runs on Crabtree, on Plymouth Hollow, on Academy, on Hartsough and on Harvey; rescue run on eastbound M-14; commercial rescue run on Haggerty; vehicle accident

· Saturday, June 6 - Residential rescue runs on Northville and on Tyler; downed wires on

• Friday, June 5 - Residential rescue runs on Colony Farms Circle, on Brougham, on Sheridan, on Concord, on Harvey, on Firwood and on Newport: vehicle accident with wash-down on easthound M-14 at Sheldon.

• Thursday, June 4 - Downed wires on Ann Arbor Trail; special run at Five Mile and Sheldon; investigation on Plymouth Way; residential rescue runs on Huntington and on Deer Court.

## Keep parked vehicles safe from break-ins

BY MATT JACHMAN **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER** 

The arrival of warm weather usually brings dandelions, road projects, the end of the school year - and a spike in vehicle burglaries.



always an increase in terms of break-ins" when the weather gets warm, said Chief Tom Tiderington of the Plymouth Township Police Department. There were at least three vehicle burglaries, plus the theft of all the wheels

"It seems there's

on a fourth vehicle, in the township between May 31 and Tuesday, according to police reports.

Tiderington said would-be thieves sometimes troll the streets looking for vehicles with unlocked doors and valuables in plain sight. Police reports indicate some don't hesitate to put a rock through a window on a locked car, either.

The chief offered some tips for preventing burglaries of vehicles parked outside, or for reducing the potential loss in case of such an incident:

· Make sure the vehicle is secured and the doors locked.

 Keep attractive valuables, such as cellular phones, iPods and navigational devices, out of sight or, better still, out of the vehicle when it's unattended.

 Take the garage-door remote with you when you leave the vehicle. If a thief breaks into a car parked outside a house and finds the remote, Tiderington said, he can then get into the garage and (if attached) the

Also, the chief said, call police to report any suspicious activity. "Give us a call and we will respond," he

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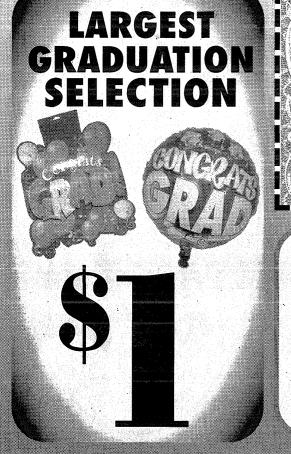


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## Into their future

### Grads toss tassels, take the next step

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Justin Saad Abro
Farhan Ahmad
Vinay V. Ajmani
Kathryn Lynn Allen
Kayla Lynn Allen
Pietro Amalfi
Brittney Cheyanne
Andrews
Shalby Anthony

Andrews
Shelby Anthony
Uzma Anwar
Amanda Elizabeth
Aquiline

Nicholas William Austin Amina Azam Paige Austin Babala Luke Paul Bahrou Collan Robert Baker Mariah J. Baker Sarah K. Baker Nancy Jean Balewski Preethi Bandri Julia Nicole Bank Mark Alan Barath Donald Wayne Barlow III **Brittany Joy Bartkowiak Emmanuel Eugene Bates** Eric Michael Beaudoin Cody Wade Bennett Angela Jean Bergsma Alexander L. Berlin Christopher M. Berry Sarah Elisabeth

Bertrand Nikita Bhatnagar Timothy Ryan Bidwell Kyle Robert Biega Daniel J. Bielak Zane Thomas Birchler Kevin Stone Birou Megan Mae Blue Joshua Daniel Bobowski Jordan Lynne Boeve Jennifer Noel Bohl Nasir Saleem Bokhari Dominic Michael Bonell Anthony Joseph Bonnett Benjamin D. Bosker Darius A. Brantley-Bailey Sarah Marie Brashears Alex Michael Brasil Daniel M. Brazil Sarah C. Brebberman Kyle T. Breitmeyer Juliann M. Brewer Heaven Christal Brooks Melissa Anne Buck Megan Leigh Burban Kyle David Burdette Janelle E. Burdiss Joel K. Burrell Brandon Alan Burt Patrick Leland Buzas Brian V. Byrne Kimberly V. Cafarelli **Devin Andrew Cain** 

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Beau-James Alan Erion
Kirbi Elizabeth Fagan
Derek E. Faust
James N. Fedon
Christopher William Fenn
Matthew Raymond
Figlewicz
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Allen Michael Flick

Coming Sunday: Plymouth High School's Class of 2009

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Gallagher
Jamie Marie Gallo
Katharine L. Galloway
Teresa Ann Galloway
Katherine Christine Galm
Heather M. Garcia
Patrick Michael Garland
Alexander Vincent
Geoffrey

Athar Mahmoud Yousef Ghannam Lovedeep S. Gill

Leah Marian Girard Michael Joseph Gleba Marlan L. Glenn Trey S. Glenn Jessica D. Godwin Achala Chandu Gopal Jordan Gabriel Gorzalski Kristin Heidi Graf Shelby Ann Graham Sarah Marie Graves Jonathon B. Green Andrew H. Greeneisen Kara Marie Gregory **Justin Michael Groves** Lija May Gudrais Jennifer Kristel Gunnis Lindsay Ann Haar Zachary James Haar Husam A. Hadad Lisa Z. Haddad Kelsey Ann Hadyniak Mary Angela Hagerman

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Courtney Alyssa
Hendges
Dennis Robert Hendzell
Erica Lynn Hensley
Gage Daniel Hermann
Brian C. Hess
Austin Jonasz Hicks
Sean M. Hitchcock
Harmisha Starlene

Hoggatt
Nathan R. Holdsworth
Arturo D. Holt
Amanda Taylor Homco
Lauren M. Howard
Megan E. Howard
Jason X. Hu
Betty Huang
Shawn P. Huculak
Matthew Charles Hunter
Joshua Daniel Hurst
Lauren Christine

Hutchings
Nicholas Norman Hyman
Rohan Haresh Israni
Carolyn Marie Jagadics
Jay Michael Jasinski
Kristy Lynn Johnson
Adam Matthew Jonik
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Justin Michael Liedel
Alexandra Lim-Chua Wee
Jeremy Jon Lindlbauer
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Lisa Michele Lorey
Tariq M. Louzon
Carl I. Lucke
Michael Allen Lulko
Rebecca Jeanne Mabie
Maxwell Matthew Madaj
Jessica Noel Maddox
Patrick J. Madish

Chelsey Padge

Magnuson
Jaimee Fevrier Magyaros
Sean Matthew Mahan
Mark Ryan Majewski
Alexander Malitsky
EKatherine C. Marion
Erika Elisabeth Martin
Michael George Martucci
Hannah Michelle Maxam
Casey Elizabeth Maxwell
Jasmine Nicole May
Ryan A. May
Jennifer Lynn McCay
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McKoy Jessica Ann McLean Mark W. McMichael Stacy Marie Meador Akhilesh Swarup Menawat

Briana Christa Lynn

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Robert C. Milus
Alessandro T. Miri
Maryam Mohiuddin
Michael Daniel Moncion
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Kara Nicole Smith
Trevor Raymond Smith
Justin J. Sneddon
Duncan Kenneth Spitz
Olivia Mary Spurlock
Jasmine Marie
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Marek J. Stamper
Dane Michael Staples
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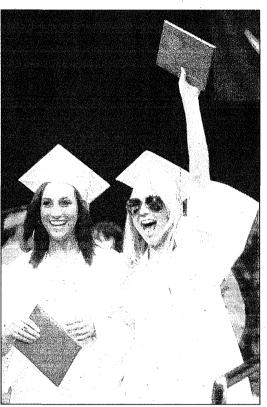
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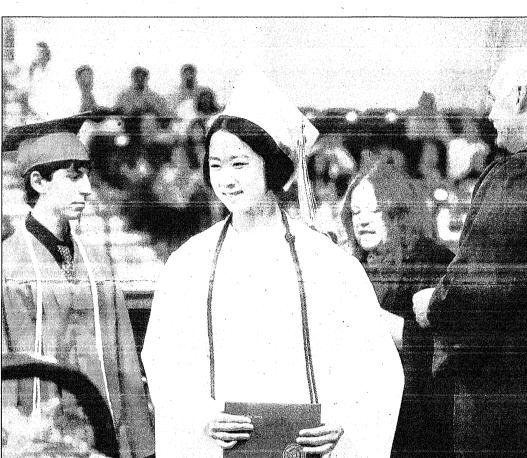
Soon-to-be Canton High School graduates enter the EMU Convocation Center for commencement exercises Sunday.



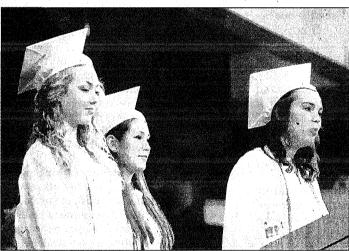
Molly Watson and Christy VanEsley let the world know they're Canton grads.



The ceremony ends with the traditional tossing of the caps.



Canton High School's super scholar is Willa Chen, who earns perfect scores, whether it's the ACT, the SAT, or PSAT.



Senior Class Co-presidents Fernanda Peira, Rachael Harrington and Jennifer Bohl (speaking) address the graduating class.



Happy graduate Kiere Daniels at Sunday's graduation ceremony.



The combined P-CEP Choirs sing 'Song To Tradition.'

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#### **OUR VIEWS**

### School multi-age decision could be just a start

First, let us point out it's the responsibility of the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education, the superintendent and the administrators who run the district to decide which course of action is best for the district when it comes to curriculum.

Having said that, we also think disbanding the multi-age program at Farrand Elementary School is a mistake.

Whichever way it goes — and Plymouth-Canton Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services Dr. Cindy Swift said Tuesday the 15year-old program will be discontinued - the decision has been handled badly.

First, news of the decision leaked to parents without any official statement coming from & Farrand Principal Dana Jones or the district. Parents jumped to the conclusion the decision had already been made, without discussion with

Parents have stormed Board of Education meetings since then, demanding to know why such a successful program was being disbanded when there is no apparent financial benefit and only a sketchy academic one. Everyone, including Jones, admits the multi-age program — which puts third-, fourth- and fifth-grade students in the same classroom, learning the same curriculum units, and mentoring each other — has been very successful.

But Jones, correctly pointing out the district has worked hard to adapt curriculum to state standards, says the program is now a drain on that effort, and that the two teachers charged with teaching the multi-age program would be better used in a more conventional capacity.

However, Jones has had trouble convincing parents exactly why that is, or exactly how the multi-age program conflicts with state curriculum requirements. And letting the decision leak out before it was made turned into a huge public relations gaffe. Some school boar members acknowledged Tuesday night the process has been mishandled.

Jones tried to fix it with a hastily called meeting a few weeks ago (and another meeting last week), but has failed to adequately address specific questions parents had about the decision.

One of Jones' stated reasons for disbanding the program is the high level of parent participation connected with the multi-age classrooms. Here's the apparent logic behind that discussion: Disband the program, disburse those students to the various classrooms throughout the school and the parent participation will follow.

Perhaps the better solution would be for the district to capitalize on parental involvement in the other classrooms rather than penalize multiage parents. If Jones is concerned about equalizing parent involvement throughout her building, she needs to find a way to reach more parents.

The handling of this decision is a microcosm of what's to come for the district as a whole. With a budget that's some 90 percent tied to salaries and benefits and a huge deficit looming, the Board of Education is going to have no choice but to start cutting programs or increasing class sizes — or both. Superintendent Dr. Craig Fiegel warned board members of that fact a couple of meetings ago during budget discussions.

And those decisions need to be adequately explained to parents, who deserve to be involved in the discussion. It is the parents, after all, who elect board members and fork over the taxes that pay teachers and administrators.

#### Join the discussion



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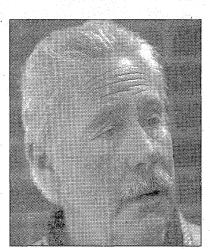
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#### **COMMUNITY VOICE**

Should the North American International Auto Show remain at Cobo Center in Detroit or be moved to the Rock Financial Showplace in Novi?

We asked this question at the Canton Public Library.



"It should stay at Cobo if they expand it. Detroit is the auto capital the world." Mike Anger Canton



"I'd like to see it stay in Detroit as long as they can fix Cobo Center." Tom Gould Plymouth Township



"It should stay in Detroit because it will do something economically for Detroit, but they need to fix up Cobo."

Marilyn Atkinson Canton



"I think it should stay in Detroit. I know there are issues with the Detroit City **Council**, but it should stay because of the history of the auto show." Keisha Williams Canton

#### **Celebrate diversity**

The conversations at the Detroit Regional Chamber Mackinac Island Policy Conference highlighted southeast Michigan's status as the single most segregated community in the United States. However, a diverse workforce was seen as an anecdote to Michigan's economic

The Plymouth-Canton community, already representative of global diversity, is immersed in addressing one of the most critical problems facing Michigan's economic recovery — overcoming racial, cultural and ethnic divisions. And you can play a role in the bold and exciting effort now under way.

Since December, a group of citizens along with leaders from local governments, schools, and the business community have been meeting with community organizers from the Michigan Roundtable for Diversity and Inclusion.

Their collective goal is first to create a space for open dialogue on issues of exclusion and second to open the proverbial door for conversations that result in direct action for positive change in the community. Over the last six months, working groups formed that identified issues in the community which led to recommendations toward a strategic plan.

Some key issues have emerged. It is clear the region's public institutions are not reflective of the increasingly diverse community they serve. It is incumbent on those institutions to ensure they are open and inclusive, and that hiring and decision making practices are not made with benign neglect but with active inclusion.

On June 25, 50 committed members will come together to celebrate the successful dialogue, commission a strategic planning team, honor middle school and high school youth who participated in a diversity mentorship program and make recommendations for a strategic plan toward a more inclusive community. Members are asking for a broad cross section of Plymouth and Canton residents to attend this historic event to show solidarity and support for the plans of action in five key areas: law enforcement, representation in public life, education, community life and community

The Plymouth-Canton community has worked with the Michigan Roundtable for 15 years through diversity work in the schools and the faith community. This new initiative is a product of many years of strong relationships and commitments towards inclusion. By taking a leadership role in recognizing this issue, and taking steps to reconcile differences, this local process is positioning the area to overcome the divide, and show people who are making economic development decisions they can come to the Plymouth-Canton area where diversity is their strength.

We know we cannot ignore the divides facing the region as a whole. Plymouth-Canton will be ready for the next wave of global business interests looking for cultural familiarity and welcoming environments that foster new and imaginative ideas. Be part of the global economic revitalization of the region and celebrate with community members at a reception at Summit

#### What do you think?

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on the Park (46000 Summit Parkway) in Canton June 25 at 7 p.m. Make sure you have input into how Plymouth-Canton can become a beacon of diversity and inclusion in Southeast Michigan.

> **Thomas Costello** president and CEO

Michigan Roundtable For Diversity and Inclusion

#### Follower or fighter?

As a longtime Chrysler customer, I am deeply distressed regarding the proposed closing of Chrysler dealerships throughout the State of Michigan, specifically, Livonia Chrysler.

As a consumer, due to the many ramifications of this decision, I feel I have been injured by the egregious decision of the Chrysler Management Team to close this exemplary dealership. I question what "standard" the Chrysler Management Team used to eliminate this dealership; or was this an arbitrary or capricious decision made without any merit whatsoever.

The economic impact and other detrimental factors to the area are sure to take its toll by closing this respected and viable dealership.

I would urge Mike Cox, attorney general, State of Michigan, to vigorously research and fight for the rights and protection under Law of this business and consumers.

**James Mortiere** 

#### Help fight cancer

Pancreatic cancer claimed another great American: Hall of Fame NBA coach Chuck Daly. Like many before him, his battle was brief. He was just diagnosed in February.

The sad truth is 75 percent of pancreatic cancer patients die within a year of being diagnosed because there are no early detection methods for this devastating disease. By the time a patient is diagnosed, the aggressive cancer has already spread to other organs.

Pancreatic cancer is the most lethal cancer with a five-year survival rate of just 5 percent, a statistic that has remained largely unchanged for the past few decades. The pancreatic cancer community needs a dream team; much like the one Daly led to victory in the 1992 Olympics, to beat this disease and champion early detection methods and effective treatment options for the fourth leading cause of cancer death in our country.

I volunteer for the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network and we need your help to ensure progress is made, visit www.pancan. org. Let's beat pancreatic cancer.

> Christina Jagielski Plymouth

#### The sheep

We the sheeple have let every governmental unit grow. Fertilized by too much

available cash to sprinkle everywhere and such easy access to debt, making each unit of government fatally obese.

Our president says, "We are out of money," a situation being reflected by every political subdivision. Blank checks issued by legislative sycophants wildly enlarged all government costs without a whimper. The money often directed toward political leverage, and absurd ideas, than toward real problems.

Now having exhausted willing international lenders, will the next best resource be an aggressive "estate tax"? Is it so puzzling and unreasonable from those so willing to abort life, that older Americans should be concerned about the future with a possible "pull the plug czar?" Will Americans see actuarial tables adjust with the adoption of the British public health system under the shingle "universal health

I worship no politician. Most, after an initial term, exhaust any good ideas, then show loyalty only to party favored lobbyists in control of a script. An objective of the evil side of politics is to cripple opponents and use their committed fellow travelers to suffer silently in hope and regret.

Historical tyrants have shown the recipe for extended power comes from a giant debt load, lingering unemployment, inflated money, and market control. Media management or censorship follow with the excuse of a response to enhanced crisis! Opponents will be shaken and shocked to a point of temporary paralysis. The worst condition would be to drop critical thinking, waiting for time to heal and stability to return. Abrupt actions in governance especially will frighten many in this era of the political "rent a mob" gambit. Tyrants feed on instability.

In America, our problems and extensive bailouts were driven by the government operated three stooges, Fanny, Freddy and Fed. Any serious consideration of bailouts of fiscally corrupt states will be a "bridge too far" and push greater anger, disunity and possibly even Depression. Compounding national problems, our insipid politicians are likely to legislate multiple layer relentless taxation upon anything produced, moved or used in America.

This approach could allow the federal government to feast along unabated on a tax and spend agenda, taxing goods and services at every stop.

Last November the majority ruled, so

we the sheeple accept what we got. Now we can only roll our eyes on statements of "saving millions" while otherwise spending trillions, and the other unmeasurable and irrational head fakes. I will support new political personalities.

bent on total reform replacing the arrogant incumbents who voted for that unread spending legislation, especially those members of the U.S. House and Senate driving us downhill and picking up speed. There are many, articulate and emerging real Americans who should feel a calling to serve. No risk in the replacement of the

Jim Nowka Northville

#### MALLS & MAIN STREETS

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#### Make dad smile

Dad won't have to open his wallet to show off photos of his brood if he's wearing a custom photo tie from The Shirt Box in Farmington Hills. The store is will hold a photo session for kids, 4-7 p.m., Thursday, June 18. Children can have their likeness permanently placed on a tie for \$10. Fotos By Design will be at the store with all the necessary equipment to create the ties on site. Ties can be created with photos of multiple children and no appointment is necessary. There will be plenty of white ties available, and a background for the photos set up. Professional photos will be taken of children and then adhered to the ties via a heat transfer process in which the ink from the photo becomes a permanent part of the product itself. The Shirt Box is located at 32500 Northwestern Highway, Farmington Hills. (248) 851-6770.

#### Inline skating

Summit Sports and the Farmington Inline Skate Club will host inline skating events 6:30 p.m.-midnight. Intermediate/advanced skaters will meet every Monday in June in the rear parking lot of Our Lady of Sorrows, 23815 Power Road, Farmington for a 15-25 mile skate through hilly

Beginner/intermediate skaters will meet Wednesdays, through Aug. 26, in the public parking area on Orchard Street (behind the Farmington Shopping Center at Farmington and Grand River) for 4-12 miles of skating

in two loops. Inline skating demos, where skaters can test skates before purchasing, will take place noon-5 p.m. June 13 at the Farmington Hills store,

28942 Orchard Lake Road. On July 29 and Aug. 26, Summit Sports will hold a skate maintenance clinic at 7:30 in between the loops Call (248) 737-0970.

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#### Kitchen workshops

Plan your dream kitchen at a workshop, 7-8 p.m., Wednesday, June 17, at Ikea, 41640 Ford Road, Canton. Then learn about kitchen installation from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Saturday, June 20. Sign up for the sessions in the store's kitchen shop or e-mail to K026@memo.IKEA.com. (734) 981-6300.

## Get fit in exercising in local bootcamp

It's Bootcamp Baby! is registering students for June classes in Farmington.

The outdoor fitness classes are held outdoors and are unlike the typical workout at the gym.

Campers will participate in unusual drills and exercises developed by It's Bootcamp Baby!, all under the eye of the camp's experienced and certified "drill sergeants." Tug of war, pushups with canteens, and occasionally pulling a Hummer uphill are just some of the planned activities. In between, there will be jumping jacks, wind sprints, lunges and more, with the threat of pushups always in the air for anybody who displeases one of the sergeants.

"It is bootcamp, after all!," says owner and Head Drill Sergeant Julian Loredo.

Classes last an hour. They'll run from 9:30-10:30 a.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays in Drake Park, 23300 Drake. Class sizes will be relatively small. The first class is free to anybody who's never worked out with an It's Bootcamp Baby! drill sergeant before.

"I wanted to keep the class sizes small, "says Loredo. "That allows us to give campers an experience that is similar to personal training, but for a price that's a lot less.'

Prices start at around \$15 per class. A nutritional coach is also available with various programs from diet reviews to cooking classes to a guided trip through the grocery store.

Visit the It's Bootcamp Baby! Web site at www.itsbootcampbaby.com for details on what to bring to class, for bios of drill sergeants and online signup forms.

Weekend fitness and military bootcamps are also offered. It's Bootcamp Baby! is the brainchild of personal trainer and martial arts guru Julian Loredo.



It's Bootcamp Baby! includes fitness moves such as crawling under objects.



A bootcamp participant works out by climbing a wooden structure.



Julian Loredo founded It's Bootcamp Baby! and is one of its 'drill sergeants.'

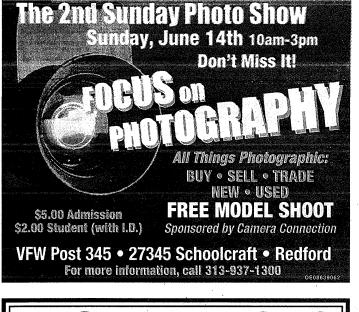


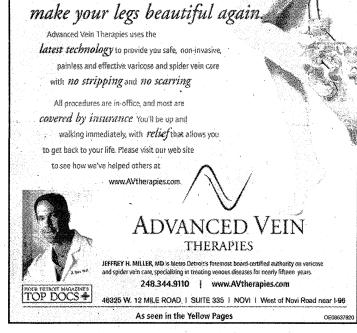


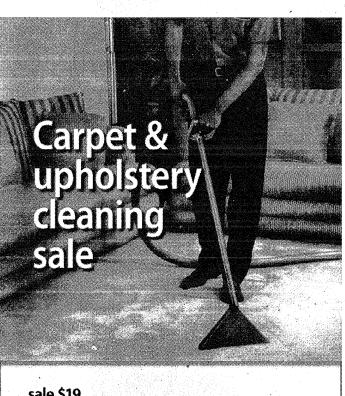
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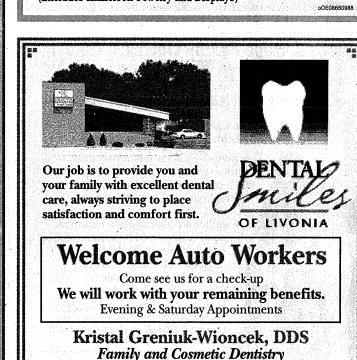


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## maintains programs

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BY SUE MASON **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER** 

The Wavne-Westland Community Schools won't be spending as much in the new budget year as it has this year. The purchase of replacement school buses, library books, textbooks and some technology replacement has been reduced as the district grapples with dwindling state and federal revenue.

"The revenue is at the lowest level it's been since 2000-01; we're acting to address the situation," said Gary Martin, deputy superintendent of administrative and business services. "This is really a tough time for education.

The 2009-10 budget, presented to the school board Monday evening, projected that the district will take in \$111.6 million in revenue and use \$7 million of its \$9 million fund equity to cover \$118.6 million in expenses. The \$2 million is the lowest fund equity the district has had since 1994-95, when it was plunged into deficit with the advent of Proposal A. The district was \$1.9 million in the hole that year and was able to build up to a \$3.1 million surplus in 1995-96.

Martin estimates the district will receive 79.4 percent of its revenue, \$88.7 million, from the state, down from \$91.5 million during the current budget year. He is projecting that the per-pupil foundation allowance of \$7,957 will remain flat at best and could be cut by executive order, if there continues to be a reduction in state revenue collections.

Property taxes will provide 16.9 percent (\$18.8 million) of revenue, while 3.7 percent (\$2.5 million) will come in large part from the

intermediate school district. Cost containment will save the district \$2.2 million. However, the district anticipates salary increases around 1.5 percent, a modest increase of 0.4 percent to 16.94 percent of pay for state retirement costs and

2- to 3-percent increases in health care in the new budget year.

Martin also is projecting the district's current enrollment of 13,143 students will drop to 12,787, due in large part to the state's failing economy. Some of those losses will be offset with new schools of choice enrollment.

The district has lost more than 1,500 students since the 2002-03 school year, representing \$11.9 million in lost revenue, Martin said.

"Eighty percent of the districts in this state have lost enrollment," he said. "The state has lost 107,00 students. We'll have 142,000 fewer school-aged children by 2015. The losses are staggering."

A new state School Aid Act isn't anticipated before August or September and the receipt of \$6.8 million in enhanced school aid the district receives remains in doubt.

According to Supt. Greg Baracy, there's been no decision on the enhanced revenue because the latest revenue predictions are "even more dismal." If school officials are unable to get the enhanced revenue put back into a new School Aid Act, the district will be "in immediate deficit," Baracy said.

The state expects the State School Aid Fund to have a \$732 million shortfall in 2009-10 on top of a \$425 million shortfall this year. Other than earmarked funds, federal stimulus money meant for the schools will be used to plug holes in the fund, although it won't be enough to cover all of the losses, he said.

"The stimulus money will cover \$265 per student in 2009-10 and \$457 per student in 2010-11. When it runs out, it will be rolled back to us," Baracy said. "Just when you think it can't get any worse, it gets worse. We're going through the same thing business is going through."

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## W-W cuts spending, Summer camp is magic for kids

BY SUE MASON **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER** 

Teachers get their summers off from school, but career-technical teacher Will Heine has decided to go back to school, so to speak.

A veteran magician, Heine has decided to open a summer magic camp for youngsters interested in learning the art of prestidigitation.

"As a high school teacher, I realized that kids don't have a lot of interaction time with people anymore,' said the Plymouth resident. "They're busy texting friends, they're on the computer. The camp will be fun and teach kids those interaction skills."

Campers will learn sleight of hand, stage magic, juggling, balloon animals, presentation skills, the art of magic, building a stage magic trick, writing a story line for a trick and timing of humor, all leading up to a Grand Finale Magic Show for their parents. The week also will include magic performances by Heine and other magic and juggling guests.

They'll receive a Magic Bag full of all the props they'll need to learn the magic routines taught during the week and a DVD containing all the lessons taught so that kids can refer to them, if they happen to forget how to perform a

"They'll come away with the tools needed to perform tricks they've learned during the week," Heine said. "They'll learn how to tear and restore newspaper, amazing rope tricks, how to float objects and how to make sponge rabbits disappear from guests' hands into their hands."

The camp will be offered in four sessions - Monday-Friday, July 6-10, July 13-17, July 20-24 and July 27-31 — at the Novi United Methodist Church, 41671 W. 10 Mile, just west of Meadowbrook, Novi. If



Juggling will be one of the skills youngsters will learn at a summer magic camp being offered by magician Will Heine of Plymouth.



According to Will Heine, youngsters will learn to do 'amazing rope tricks.'

those four weeks fill up, sessions will be opened the first two weeks of August.

Hours will 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and lunch will be provided by the church's licensed kitchen. The cost is \$370 — a deposit of \$185 in advance with the remainder due at a pre-camp meeting. Child care also is available 6:30-8:30 a.m. and 3-5:30 p.m. for a one time fee of \$40. Parents will receive a full refund of their deposit is the child is unable to

attend the camp. For more information

about Heine's Summer Magic Camp, call (877) ALAKAZAM, (877) 252-5292, or go online at

SummerMagicCamp.com. "The camp is about fun and making kids smarter,' said Heine. "The camp will be entertaining and will be

about entertaining." Heine has been a magician for more than 30 years. He was introduced to the sleight of hand at age 10 and did his first show at age 11. His first gig was three doors down his street at a birthday party and his first trick was

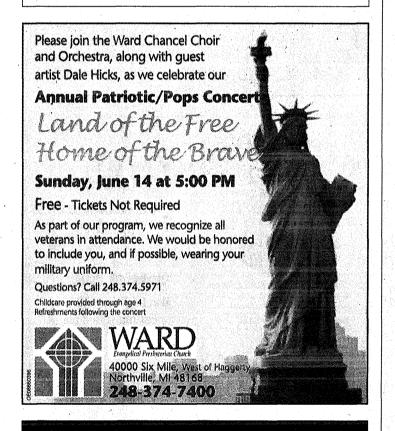
the egg bag in which an egg magically appears and dis-

appears in a bag. During his career, he has been an opening act at the Fisher Theater for comedian Robert Townsend and for fellow magician Harry Blackstone Jr. A desktop publishing teacher at the William D. Ford Career Technical Center in Westland, he also has used his magic to capture his students' attention and as an incentive.

His dream has been to open a magic camp and it's been in the works for five years. Heine found that being a respected magician was a huge boost for his selfesteem and he wants to provide his campers with the positive identification.

"I wanted to build a solid camp that offers a great experience for the kids, something that would help them develop their life skills," he said. "If you're a good communicator and a fun person, you do better in life. People will gravitate to you because you're fun to be

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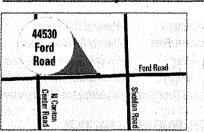
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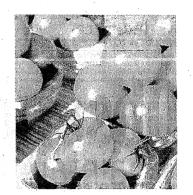
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2009 BASEBALL/SOFTBALL REGIONALS

## **Chiefs rout Shamrocks** in D-1 semi

BY TIM SMITH **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER** 

Put a little cheddar on that Canton rally, please.

The Chiefs' varsity baseball team, behind an excellent pitching performance from junior Kevin Delapaz and a three-run double by sophomore Seth Tschetter, defeated Novi-Detroit Catholic Central 10-3 in Saturday's Division 1 semifinal at Novi.

We had a nice clutch hit," said Canton head coach Mark Blomshield, whose team advanced to the regional final against Birmingham Brother Rice for a second consecutive season. "Seth Tschetter came up with the bases loaded and one out (in the fifth of a 4-1 game) and we really needed him to hit the ball.

"He got in an 0-2 count right away, battled back to a fullcount and emptied the bases on a double and that pretty much solidified it for us.

Tschetter's blast over the centerfielder's head, scored seniors Nick Sweda, Nick Tomelinko and Dan Stoney to give the Chiefs a 7-1 edge.

Earlier in the fifth, Delapaz singled with one out and that got the ball rolling. Freshman courtesy runner Greg McCurry showed some base-running poise, moving to second on a wild pitch and then to third on a fielder's choice when he beat the throw from Catholic Central junior catcher Matt Schaeffer.

McCurry then scored on a sacrifice fly by junior Cody Blakita, barely beating the tag with a nifty head-first slide.

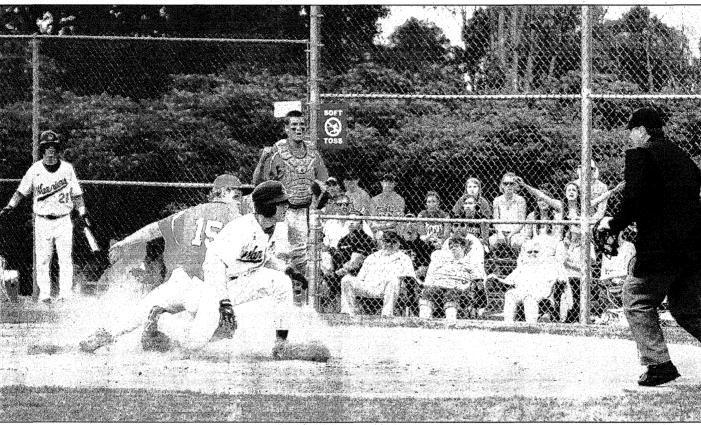
"We were going to send him no matter what," Blomshield said. "He's a freshman, he's speedy. He made a nice slide and got a corner of the plate, that was a huge run for us."

Left-handed Delapaz perhaps didn't need that offensive surge all that much because he

was in command. Delapaz, who improved to 10-0 on the season, gave up just one run and two hits over

six innings. Catholic Central (18-17) scored in the third when junior Marc Zughaib doubled down the left-field line and scored on a single up the middle by senior John Rose.

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Canton pitcher Alex Dixon awaits the umpire's call after slapping a tag on Birmingham Brother Rice's Alex Sohn during the second inning of Saturday's Division 1 regional final at Novi. In the background is Chiefs catcher Dan Stoney, who made the out possible by hustling to retrieve a passed ball and flip the

## Getting closer

### Late rally lifts Brother Rice past Canton in regional final – again

BY TIM SMITH **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER** 

The taste of sweet revenge for Canton's varsity baseball team was on the tip of its collective tongue at Saturday's Division 1 regional final in

Trying to make amends for a 12-1 mercy loss to Birmingham Brother Rice in the 2008 regionals, the Chiefs were up 1-0 against those Warriors entering the sixth inning of this year's final.

But the savvy Warriors again showed why they are perennial winners — using a leadoff walk in the sixth as the springboard to a four-run rally, plenty for a 4-1 victory.

"That's baseball," said dejected Canton coach Mark Blomshield, whose team finished 25-12 for the year. "I think the kids played with a lot of courage and a lot of guts

"I'm real happy with how we played, we just didn't end up

on top. Putting it more succinctly afterward was Chiefs' senior

catcher Dan Stoney. 'It sucks to lose, especially to lose to the same team and in the same game, the regional finals, Stoney said. "We hung

with them this year, last year we got mercied. So nothing else we could have done except play a little bit better."

Citing the been-there. done-that factor was veteran Brother Rice head coach Bob

"It's nice, they've been through this before," Riker said. "But that can be a doubleedged sword, though."

His team now faces Saline 3 p.m. Tuesday at Chelsea in a rematch of the 2009 Division 1 state final, won 8-0 by the

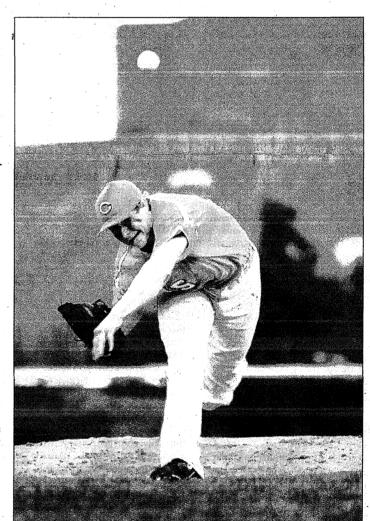
Stoney's grit and determination helped keep the Chiefs from falling behind early on.

In the top of the second of a scoreless game, Stoney scrambled after a passed ball and threw to junior pitcher Alexander Dixon covering the dish to nail Warriors' senior Alex Sohn attempting to score.

"That's huge," Blomshield said. "If that doesn't happen, they draw first blood and we're playing from behind. We know we play better when we're up."

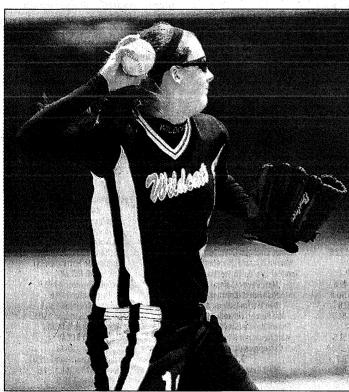
The Chiefs did finally get on the board first, with a run in the fourth against Brother Rice senior pitcher Derek Kilmer.

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For the first five innings of Saturday's regional final, Canton junior pitcher Alex Dixon stymied the experienced lineup of Birmingham Brother Rice.

## 'Cats put up courageous effort against Lakeland



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Plymouth's Stacey Klonowski guns the ball to first during Saturday's Division 1 regional semifinal against Lakeland.

BY JEFF THEISEN SPORTS WRITER

Plymouth just missed pulling off an upset that would've really opened some eyes in the

The Wildcats pushed Lakeland to eight innings, but fell 5-3 in the extra frame.

Plymouth finishes an impressive 32-10. "They played with passion," Plymouth head coach Val Canfield said. "At the beginning of the season, that's something that they had a hard time finding. We gave it our

Wildcats sophomore pitcher Lauren Smith pitched a scoreless first, while Plymouth wasted little time in taking the lead.

Senior catcher Erin Rodes started the inning off with a single. With two outs, Lakeland chose to intentionally walk Amanda Burnard, and Jessica Bondy made the Eagles pay. She singled up the middle to score Rodes.

An error and a triple later in the second by Eric Rizzo led to a 2-1 lead by Lakeland. But Plymouth didn't back down, and tied

the game up in the bottom of the second. Rodes doubled home a run with two outs for the 2-2 tie.

The Wildcats took the lead with a two-out rally started with a bunt single by Bondy.

She stole second and scored on a single later in the inning.

Lakeland tied the game on another triple by Rizzo in the fourth, and things remained scoreless the rest of the regulation.

Plymouth's best chance came in the bottom of the seventh with runners on second and third and two outs. But Lakeland star pitcher Carlee Meek got a key strikeout to send the game into extra innings.

A leadoff double and three hits amounted to the final two runs for Lakeland, as the Eagles captured their fifth straight regional

Plymouth outhit the Eagles 10-6, but the run total is the only one that really matters in the end.

Canfield said immediately after the game she was already feeling the loss of her four seniors — Rodes, Jillian Brennan, Beth Heldmeyer and Miranda Oliver.

"I know how much they've worked and how hard they've played for the last four years, because I've had them for the last four years," Canfield said. "I really think, as a player, this is the way I would want to go out - the way they played against Lakeland."

The Eagles (38-1) advanced to the state quarterfinals.

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#### **SIDELINES**

#### Wildcat grid camp

Ready to get cracking? The Plymouth Wildcats football team is holding its Youth Camp from Monday, June 22, through Wednesday, June 24, at the PCEP Turf Stadium for players interesting in honing their linemen or passing skills.

There will be two sessions of the camp, being run by coach Mike Sawchuk. For those going into grades 5-9, sessions will be 5-7 p.m. each day; players entering grades 10-12 go 7-9 p.m.

Please go to www.plymouthwildcats.com for camp brochures and more information. Sawchuk can be reached at (734) 582-5696.

#### Learn to skate

The Arctic Edge Ice Arena in Canton is offering eight weeks of learn-to-skate sessions, beginning Tuesday, June 23.

Classes are 30 minutes each with 15 minutes of free time and are grouped by age and ability.

Parents can register children at the Arctic Edge, 46615 Michigan Avenue, or call (734) 487-777 for more information.

#### **New CAHA site**

The Canton Amateur **Hockey Association** recently unveiled a new and improved Web site for the 2009-10 season.

The site has all the information anyone might need about CAHA teams, leagues and coaches for next year as well as brand new online registration.

Check it out at www.cantonhockey.org.

#### Summer spikers

Plymouth varsity volleyball coach Kelly McCausland is hosting a camp for those entering grades 6-10, to take place 1-4 p.m. Monday, July 27, through Wednesday, July 29. The camp is slated for Plymouth High School.

The fee is \$65. Contact McCausland at mccausk@ taylor.k12.mi.us for more information.

#### Canton Chiefs grid camps

The Canton High School football program will be hosting two more camps this month.

• 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.



**Among the best** Salem's Matt Devey (left) was one of the top performers this

season, earning his selection to the All-Observer boys track and field team. Please turn to page

## Observerland's best prove heads of state

**ALL-AREA BOYS TRACK TEAM** 

FIRST-TEAM INDIVIDUALS Dana Baltazar, Jr., Salem (shot put): The junior had an outstanding year, capped off with a fourth-place throw of 49 feet, 2 inches at the Canton-hosted Division 1 regional. He also finished third in the discus (138-4) and hit 145-4 at the Observerland Relays.

Rocks' coach Kyle Meteyer praised Baltazar as his "most valuable field event athlete," capturing city, conference, division and MITCA team championships in the shot for his efforts.

Baltazar also was undefeated in

dual meets in the shot. T.J. Arancibia, Sr., Westland Glenn (discus): The senior, headed to Wayne State on a football scholarship, captured the KLAA Kensington Conference championship with a throw of 146-6.

Arancibia also earned a trip to the Division 1 state finals with a runnerup finish at the Canton regional. He was also second in the KLAA South Division meet.

"T.J. overcame some early season challenges to finish the season strong by winning the conference meet with a new record for first-time meet," Glenn coach Jess Shough said. "He finished fourth in last year's regional just missing the qualifying standard, so he had as his goal all season to qualify for this year's state finals and he did. He was the mainstay of our throwers

and will be truly missed." Jamie Stewart, Sr., Liv. Clarenceville (high jump): The All-State basketball player set a Clarenceville school record with a leap of 6-7 and tied for fifth in the Division 3 state finals with a leap

Stewart was MITCA and Metro Conference champion, as well as runner-up in the Metro Conference. He also took a second in the 400 and third in the long jump in the Metro.

Stewart went a season-best 51.64 en route to a fourth in the 400 at the MITCA meet. David Simor, Sr., Liv. **Stevenson (long jump):** The senior enjoyed a productive season capped by an eighth-place finish in the long jump (21-11.75) at the state meet.

Simor also was regional, Kensington Conference and KLAA Central Division champion.

"Dave had a good season after pulling his hamstring last year in the first meet while long jumping as a junior," Stevenson coach Scott Shaw said. "Dave is a hard working young man and has worked very hard on his technique in the long jump. Has gotten much more consistent through his years of jumping. In almost every meet he was over 21

Derik Peterman, Sr., Liv. Churchill (pole vault): The senior captain broke the school record with a vault of 15-8 and was the Division 1 state runner-up.

Peterman, headed to Michigan State, was also the Mansfield (Ohio) Relays, regional and KLAA South Division champion. In the 110 hurdles, Peterman took

runner-up in the regional to qualify for the state finals.

"Derik is one of the finest track and field athletes to come out of our program, and we've had some good ones," Churchill coach Rick Austin

said. "His 15-8 was one of the top vaults in the Midwest this year. "Derik worked hard on his hurdle technique this season running 14.8 in the highs, which earned valuable points for our team. Derik is an outstanding student-athlete graduating with a 3.96 (grade-point average)

and was a member of our pit orchestra team. As a captain, Derik led by example. Vanier Joseph, Sr., Red. Thurston (110 hurdles): Competing in this event since his freshman year. Joseph culminated a stellar fouryear varsity career by racing past the field at the Division 2 state meet and laying claim to the title of state champion in the 110 hurdles. His winning time was 14.35. At region-

als, Joseph crossed in a head-turn-

ing 13.99, which proved to be a new

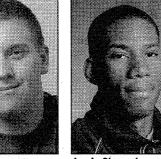
Thurston record. "He just loves and lives the sport," Thurston coach LaMar Miller said. "If I had five Vanier Josephs, I wouldn't need anybody else on the team. He's a fine young man and extremely hard worker. He went to state his junior year and just missed out by finishing fifth in the semifinals. He worked hard and really wanted to come back this year and show people what he could do."



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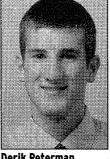


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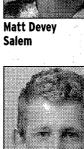


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Renaldo Powell, Sr., Wayne (300

hurdles): The senior, who has signed

with Central Michigan University,

enjoyed a banner season winning

the Division 1 state title in the 110

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practice fun for the underclassmen,

ing." Wayne coach Lee Grizzell said.

ethic. Renaldo is such a good hurdler

because he has really powerful legs

and his technique is very good."

Stevenson (100 dash): In only his

second season of track, Anagnostou

posted an area-best 10.7 in the 100.

He was the last Western Lakes

Activities Association and the first

champion in the 100. Anagnostou

also captured the KLAA Central

Observerland.

him for four years."

Division title and finished fourth at

"Nick is a good leader by exam-

ple," Shaw said. "He works hard at

practice most every day. He's a very

strong finisher in the 100. I wish we

Parish Clayborn, Sr., Wayne (200):

had the opportunity to work with

The senior, who posted the area's

top time (22.2) in the 200, was run-

ner-up in the KLAA South Division

Clayborn also placed fifth in

"Parish did a great job for us

this year." Grizzell said. "He com-

peted in the 100, 200, long jump

and anchored both speed relays.

Throughout the entire year, Parish

Darius Davis, Sr., Harrison (400):

Davis finished third in the Division

1 state meet with a time of 49.7 sec-

onds. He also was third last year in

Division 2. Davis had the area's best

time at 49.4. He was a member of

never gave up a lead in any of the

relays he ran in."

Observerland in the 100 and had the

area's second best time in that event

**KLAA Kensington Conference** 

Nick Anagnostou, Sr., Liv.

and he did a great job of recruit-

"He performed so well this year

because he has an excellent work

"Renaldo led by example, he kept

the 300 hurdles (38.73).

Withington Stadium.

hurdles (14.13) and finishing third in

Powell is headed to the Midwest

**Daniel Martin** Salem

Tony Frezzell



Scott Coppola

**Dominique Williams** Salem



**Travis Tomey** 

Churchill



Salem

three Harrison relays that placed among the top three in the area. Davis plans to play football in college, too, for either a GLIAC or Texas school.

"We're very, very proud of Darius getting third in the state," coach John Reed said. "He's been an excellent performer all four years. He's been very focused on being a great runner and he's done it. He's going to be a big loss to the program, because he's been running in the state meet since his freshman year."

Warren Buzzard, Jr., Plymouth (800): Buzzard sparkled all season, highlighted by his second-place finish in the 800 run (1:58.37) at the Canton-hosted D1 regional. He exceeded his time at the subsequent state meet (1:57.58), although that only netted him eighth place. Buzzard's personal best for the year was 1:57.2.

Meanwhile, at the prestigious Observerland Relays, he took third in the open 1,600 with a time of

"He could run forever, he had so much in the tank he made everything look effortless," said Wildcats coach Kurt Britnell. "And he made everybody around him that much

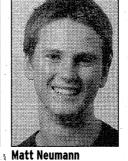
Elmar Engholm, Sr., Plymouth (1,600): The senior exchange student from Sweden picked up where he left off last fall as an All-Observer cross country selection, again demonstrating athleticism and determination to be a sparkplug for Plymouth's track and field squad.

But a hamstring injury curtailed what could have been a brilliant season, which did feature a best of

"He set record in cross country in the fall and this spring I thought he was going to break every mid-distance and distance event we have," Britnell said.

Matt Devey, Sr., Salem (3,200): The senior placed second at the D1 regional at Canton with an impressive time of 9:43.39, which represented quite an improvement from the 11:40 he ran as a freshman. Then in the state meet at East

Kentwood, Devey ran it even quicker



**Jacob Gudeman** 

Stevenson

Plymouth

Devey's work ethic, another reason

for shaving off that kind of time as

grade in the 1,600 run at MITCA to

"He is the definition of hard work

Devey, also the cross country captain

FIRST-TEAM RELAYS

400, Churchill (Anthony Frezzell,

Jr.; Scott Coppola, Jr.; Travis Tomey,

Sr.; Devon Easterling, Sr.): This quar-

tet placed fifth in the Division 1 state

finals (school record 42.82) after fin-

Frezzell, a three-sport athlete,

and Coppola, both return next sea-

Easterling plans to run track at

Eastern Michigan, while Tomev

plans to enroll in the fire fighting

They were also Observerland

Relays 400 relay champion for the

first time in school history along

with Kensington Conference and

our team all season in the speed

groups I've had a Churchill led by

captain Shane Henson. Each took

pride in the way that they ran each

leg of our two speed relays. I could

always count on these four gentle-

800, Stevenson (David Simor, Sr.;

Jacob Gudeman, Sr.; Nate Sergison,

quartet took first at Observerland

breaking the school record with a

They also finished third in the

Division 1 state finals (1:29.63) after

"This was a good group to work

with," Shaw said. "They all wanted

to perform well throughout the sea-

son and make a good showing at the

state meet, which I think we accom-

1,600 Salem (Scott O'Connor,

winning the regional, conference

and divisional crowns.

time of 1:28.28.

Sr.; Nick Anaganostou, Sr.): This

men to perform at their best."

"This fearsome foursome carried

relays and open events," Austin said.

"They are one of the hardest working

West Bloomfield Invitational

academy.

champs.

ishing runner-up in the regional.

at Salem. Devey plans on running

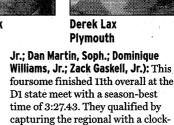
cross at Wayne State University.

well as going from 5:29 in ninth

4:28 at team states this spring.

paying off," said Meteyer about





ing of 3:28.27.

Coach Meteyer will have all four components back next year.

He said Gaskell is a "very coachable athlete who gives full effort in individual and team objectives" and could be a college decathlete. Martin ran the fastest split on the team at D1 states in the 1,600 relay with a mark of 50.7 seconds after recovering from a hip injury.

O'Connor brought excellence to the 800 and 1,600 relays and came within one second of setting new Salem marks in the 800 relay and 300 hurdles, And Williams is a "versatile athlete" who also can run in three relays and several field events.

3,200 Plymouth (Justin Heck, Soph.; Matt Neumann, Jr.; Derek Lax, Sr.; Warren Buzzard, Jr.): The Wildcats' quartet qualified for the D1 state meet thanks to a secondplace time of 8:05.24 at the region-

They went on to take 18th at East Kentwood, with a still admirable time of 8:11.97.

It was quite a showing considering the unit lost Elmar Engholm to a leg injury midway through the season and needed to plug in sophomore Heck, who more than filled the void.

"Justin did a whale of a job, he was a heckuva leader for being that young and (the relay team) didn't miss a beat," coach Britnell said. Neumann "worked hard and was real competitive" while Lax provided senior leadership as "the glue" of the group. Meanwhile, Buzzard simply was outstanding in all aspects for the Rocks.

"I'm very proud of the four," Britnell said. "They not only did a great job on the track but they are great young men **COACH OF THE YEAR** 

Kyle Meteyer, Salem: The fourth-

year coach guided the Rocks to a Division 1 regional championship along with the Observerland Relays runner-up finish.

#### 2009 ALL-OBSERVER **BOYS TRACK TEAMS**

Shot put: 1. Dana Baltazar, Jr., Salem; 2. Ed Merhi, Jr., Salem: 3. Deon Clemons, Jr., Livonia Churchill.

Discus: 1. T.J. Arancibia, Sr., Westland John Glenn; 2. Jason Foster, Sr., Canton; 3. Sean McAuliffe, Jr., Livonia Franklin. High jump: 1. Jamie Stewart, Sr., Livonia Clarenceville; 2. Zach Gaskell, Jr.,

Salem; 3. Kevin Beadle, Sr., Franklin. Long jump: 1. David Simor, Sr., Livonia Stevenson; 2. Jason Byars, Sr.

Farmington; 3. Isaac Cadet, Sr., Franklin. Pole vault: 1. Derik Peterman, Sr., Churchill; 2. Jon Grinter, Sr., North Farmington; 3. Jon Gudeman, Jr., Stevenson.

110-meter hurdles: 1. Vanier Joseph, Sr., Redford Thurston; 2. Tendo Lukwago, Jr., Farmington Hills Harrison; 3. Shammah Carter, Soph, N. Farmington.

300 hurdles: 1. Renaldo Powell, Sr., Wayne Memorial; 2. Sherif Hassanien, Sr., Canton; 3. Scott O'Connor, Jr., Salem. 100 dash: 1. Nick Anagnostou, Sr.,

Stevenson; 2. (tie) Jeremy Langford, Jr., John Glenn; Charles Anthony, Jr., 200: 1. Parish Clayborn, Sr., Wayne;

2. Dominique Williams, Jr., Salem; Chris Pride, Jr., Harrison. 400: 1. Darius Davis, Sr., Harrison;

2. Nate Sergison, Sr., Stevenson; 3. Jon Stoddard, Sr., Garden City. 800: 1. Warren Buzzard, Jr.,

Plymouth; 2. Spencer Lyle, Sr., Lutheran High Westland; 3. Keith Zech, Jr., Canton. 1,600: 1. Elmar Engholm, Sr.,

Plymouth; 2. Josh Hurst, Sr., Canton; 3. Dan Martin, Soph., Salem. 3,200: 1. Matt Devey, Sr., Salem; 2. Shawn Howse, Sr., Stevenson; 3. Joe

Porcari, Jr., Plymouth.
FIRST-TEAM RELAYS 400: 1. Churchill (Anthony Frezzell,

Jr.; Scott Coppola, Jr.; Travis Tomey, Sr.; Devon Easterling, Sr.); 2. Franklin (Richard Duncan, Jr.; Isaac Cadet, Sr.; Mike Baumgardner, Jr.; Paul Voegele, Sr.); 3. Harrison (Will Ferguson, Jr.; Aaron Burbridge, Fr.; Darius Davis, Sr.; Chris **800**: 1. Stevenson (David Simor, Sr.; Jacob Gudeman, Sr.; Nate Sergison, Sr.;

Nick Anagnostou, Sr.); 2. Farmington (James Vincent-Taylor, Soph; Leonard Welch, Jr.; Anthony Ward, Soph.; Jaifus Ingram, Jr.); 3. Harrison (Tendo Lukwago, Jr.; Aaron Burbridge, Fr.; Darius Davis, Sr.; Chris Pride, Jr.). 1:600: 1. Salem (Scott O'Connor, Jr.;

Dan Martin, Soph.: Dominique Williams, Jr.: Zach Gaskell, Jr.); 2. Harrison (Darius Davis, Sr.; Chris Pride, Jr.; Max Chapman, Jr.; Christian Success, Jr.); 3. Stevenson (Nate Sergison, Sr.; Stephen Pollard, Jr.; Matt Williams, Soph.; David Simor, Sr.).

3,200: 1. Plymouth (Justin Heck, Soph.: Matt Neumann, Jr., Derek Lax, Sr.: Warren Buzzard Jr.): 2 Canton (Josh Hurst, Sr.: Keith Zech, Jr.: Zach Spreitzer, Jr.: Paul Rakovitis, Jr.): 3. Churchill (Mark Waterbury, Sr.: Nathan Wise, Sr.: Michael Schmidt, Jr.: Marshall Frv. Jr.).

**COACH OF THE YEAR** Kyle Meteyer, Salem

Salem went 5-0 in KLAA Central Division dual meets and placed second at the KLAA Kensington Conference and Central Division

The Rocks also defeated very good teams such as Farmington Harrison and Ypsilanti to win the North Farmington Raider Relays.

Under Metever's watch, the Rocks have improved from a very young squad in 2006 to one that can rightly be placed along those teams that in the past helped craft

Salem's rich track and field history. "This season



Kyle Meteyer Salem coach

was magical from the very first meet," Meteyer said. "We won our first dual meet against Stevenson and we

knew that we had turned a corner." Most gratifying was how '06 freshmen Matt Devey (first-team 3200 run) and Pat Patin (200 dash) took two and four min-

those events as ninth graders. 'To me, and to the juniors and seniors who have been on this team from the get-go, this season was like eating a huge, delicious feast that you had to plant, grow, harvest and prepare yourself," Meteyer continued. "It was a lot of work to create, and there were times when a part of us wanted to give up when the going was rough, but we stuck with it and now things are paying off."

utes, respectively, off their times in

Meteyer said this year's excellent junior class will be ready to keep things moving in the right direction

#### **FINAL BOYS TRACK & FIELD LISTINGS**

plished."

**BEST AREA BOYS TRACK TIMES** 

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Jason Foster (Canton) 147-3 T.J. Arancibia (John Glenn) 146-6 Sean McAuliffe (Franklin) 146-2 Nate Coleman (Franklin) 144-1 Cortney Frazier (Salem) 140-7 Keith Choma (Plymouth) 140-2 Jon Aneed (Stevenson) 139-4 Brandon Dare (Churchill) 136-7 Kyle Brindza (Plymouth) 135-7 HIGH JUMP Jamie Stewart (Clarenceville) 6-7

Zach Gaskell (Salem) 6-5 Kevin Beadle (Franklin) 6-3 Tendo Lukwago (Harrison) 6-3 Jeremy Browning (N. Farmington) 6-2 Jordan Allen (Plymouth Christian) 6-2 Hudson Cadet (Franklin) 6-1 Ben Spreitzer (Canton) 6-1

Tony Lawson (Clarenceville) 6-1

Anthony Ward (Farmington) 6-0 LONG JUMP Jason Byars (Farmington) 21-9 Tendo Lukwago (Harrison) 21-8.25 Renaldo Powell (Wayne) 21-2.5 Nate Sergison (Stevenson) 21-0 Will Burek (Stevenson) 20-9.5 Scott Coppola (Churchill) 20-8

POLE VALUET John Krutty (Salem) 12-9

Nick Alaniva (Canton) 12-6 Edward Koelzer (Canton) 12-6 Joe Marlow (Churchill) 12-5 Christopher Barnard (Churchill) 12-4 Edward Koelzer (Canton) 12-4 Henry Weyand (Stevenson) 11-11 110-METER HURDLES Vanier Joseph (Thurston) 14.0

Kevin Beadle (Franklin) 12-6

Renaldo Powell (Wayne) 14.13 Tendo Lukwago (Harrison) 15.0 Shammah Carter (N. Farmington) 15.0 Sherif Hassanien (Canton) 15.2 Cameron Wludyka (Franklin) 15.4 Brandon Piligian (Plymouth) 15.5 **300 HURDLES** 

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Nate Sergison (Stevenson) 49.6

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Derek Head (Harrison) 2:03.0 Mark Waterbury (Churchill) 2:03.0 Dan Martin (Salem) 2:03.4

Francis Mensah (RU) 2:03.0

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**400 RELAY** Livonia Churchill 42.82 Livonia Stevenson 43.1 Westland John Glenn 43. Farmington Harrison 43.1 800 RELAY Livonia Stevenson 1:28.9

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## Ladywood hangs on, advances to D-2 semifinal

BY BRAD EMONS .
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Livonia Ladywood girls softball coach Scott Combs appropriately devoured a Rice Krispie treat following Tuesday's 3-2 Division 2 state quarterfinal victory over Richmond.

"I used to work for Kellogg's," Combs said. "I'm from Battle Creek, graduated from Harper Creek High School, My 83-year-old dad (Sidney) is an old WWII vet and still lives there. He's been calling me every single minute to see how we're doing."

The second-year coach and his 37-6 Blazers are doing just fine and just two wins away from a coveted state title.

Ladywood will make its first state semifinal appearance in school history beginning at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Battle Creek's Bailey Park to face Williamston (34-7-1), which advanced with a 10-3 quarterfinal victory over host Carleton Airport.

Freshman pitcher Briana Combs helped preserve the quarterfinal win at Novi when she retired Kristen Skoryanc on a pop-out to the mound with the tying run on third base. Combs held the Blue Devils (23-9) to only two hits while striking out six and walking only one.

"She's only walked 12 all season in 40 games," said Scott Combs, father of the ace pitcher. "She doesn't hit 65 MPH, but she throws to the spots and gets people out."

Briana Combs got plenty of offensive support as the Blazers collected eight hits. First baseman Alysa Gietl figured prominently going 3-for-4 with an RBI and two runs scored.

nd two runs scored. The Blazers jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the bottom of the third when freshman Carli SanMillan reached base on a Richmond error. Gietl followed with an RBI double and freshman Cara Miller added an RBI single.

The Blazers added another run to make it 3-0, but in the top of the sixth, the Blazers' usually reliable defense became unglued as Skoryanc and Jillian Boyd reached base on infield errors. Erin Dunsmore's two-out single to left scored both runners.

That set the stage for the harrowing top of the seventh as Kingman reached base on an infield error. Catcher Alexa Garant moved pinch runner Ashleigh Maas to second with a sacrifice bunt and took third on a fielder's choice.

Skoryanc then swung at Briana Combs' first pitch and popped out to the mound, sending the Blazers into a wild celebration.



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Ladywood catcher Jordan Searcy makes a key putout during the sixth inning during Tuesday's Division 2 state quarterfinal against Richmond. Third baseman Courtney LaValley converges on the play.

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### The U.S. Open 2009 is June 15-21 Online Poll: Who will win this year? We want your vote!

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### What you need to know before you tee off at your charity outing

By Susan Smiley

Summer is here and that means an abundance of golf outings and charity golf events. Both organizers and participants should keep in mind the two main purposes of charity golf outings: to raise money for a good cause and to have fun.

"Playing in a charity outing is about being out, meeting people and having fun," said David Hershey, a member at Forest Akers Golf Club who has played in many charity events. "You are giving money to a cause and being privileged to play golf for your contribution. If you can't accept that, then send a check and stay home. Make sure the people you are playing with are having fun and be respectful of them."

Pete Driscoll is the PGA Professional at Fieldstone Golf Club in Auburn Hills, and his club hosts a fair share of golf outings. Driscoll reminds those in charge of golf events to remember there will be golfers of all different skill levels participating.

"You don't know the caliber of golfer you are going to get," Driscoll said. "A scramble situation is probably best because it keeps everyone involved. But whatever your format, try to make it where you are playing the right tees for everyone. Instead of having everyone tee off from the back tees you probably want to have everyone shoot from the white tees. Make sure that your highest handicap person is going to have a good day and have fun."

Having fun does not mean forgetting proper golf etiquette. Golfers should always remember to repair their ball marks and divots, rake bunkers and be mindful of pace of play.

"Pace of play is probably the biggest issue with a charity event," said Mark Stevens, PGA Professional at Meadowbrook Country Club. "Things go much smoother if golfers arrive on time and are ready to go for their tee

time. It should be an enjoyable day so keep the pace of play at a good level."

Driscoll, who estimates the time it takes to complete a round of golf at a typical outing is anywhere from five to six hours, suggests limiting the number of strokes golfers can take on a hole or the number of attempted strokes a golfer can make. It keeps the frustration level at a minimum and helps move play along.

"For those who have not played a whole bunch, put a limit on swings," Driscoll said. "If you don't hit your ball on your second swing, pick it up and throw it. That's what I tell the kids who are just learning to play golf. It's supposed to be a fun day!"

Stevens also advises golfers to check with the golf course about dress code before the event. Private clubs don't allow jeans and usually require a shirt with a collar. There also may be restrictions on shorts and most courses now only allow soft spike golf shoes. If

you are not sure, it is always best to call the course and double check.

"Particularly if your event is at a private course you want to make sure you are in accordance with the dress code," Stevens said.

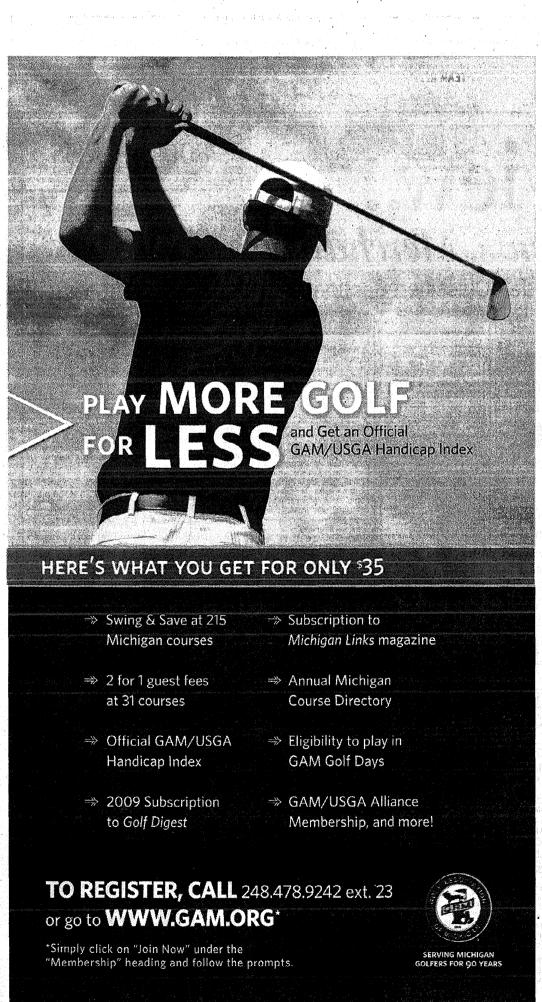
Once you are out on the course playing, it is time to relax and have fun. But remember, it isn't just about you enjoying a day on the links; everyone in your foursome should have the same opportunity to enjoy the event.

"I have done a lot of things at outings that I now regret," Hershey said. "Once I was so wrapped up in the competition that I drove past the women's tee not thinking about the women in the group. Another time I hit a ball close to a hole that had the prize for closest to the pin. The prize was two Lions tickets and I started cracking jokes like 'What is the second place prize — four tickets?'

Quietly someone in the foursome told me the Lions tickets had been donated by another person in our foursome." Hershey is much more outing-savvy now and would never make such a faux pas. In fact, now when he plays in a charity event, the actual competition is the very last thing on his mind. It is all about fun now because if people play in a charity outing and have a great time, they are likely to come back again the next year. In the long run, that raises more money for a good cause which is the point of these events.

"Door prizes and prizes for placing are very nice but I have not been to a work or charity outing where I couldn't afford to buy the prize if I wanted to," Hershey said. "Make it about the people you play with and they will remember you for that much more positively than they will for how you play."

Susan Smiley is the Golf Association of Michigan's Manager of Member Services & Communications.





#### 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.

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

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#### 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 Fritzsching, 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, intermediate, 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

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Chris Fritzsching, 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 two more camps this

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)

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.

#### Learn to skate

The Arctic Edge Ice Arena in Canton is offering eight weeks of learn-to-skate sessions, beginning Tuesday, June 23.

Classes are 30 minutes each with 15 minutes of free time and are grouped by age and ability.

Parents can register children at the Arctic Edge, 46615 Michigan Avenue, or call (734) 487-777 for more information.

> his squad for putting Canton baseball on the map.

and Sweda, players finishing their Canton career included seniors Zane Birchler, Dane Staples, Tim Hemmelgarn and Joel Schwiebert.

"I think they set the stage come.'

The Chiefs knocked off Novi-Detroit Catholic Central 10-3 in Saturday's opening semifinal (behind winning pitcher Delapaz, who improved to 10-0 for the sea-

Stoney launched a two-run

damage.

The Shamrocks did tack on a couple runs in the seventh against Canton junior Andrew Tidwell.

Zughaib (2-for-3) singled and came home on a pinch-hit homer to left by senior Tony Thomas.

"One of the things I was real happy about was we had one of our seniors (Thomas), who was an All-Catholic player a year ago," Walters said. "The kid hit .330 or .340 every year on varsity and this year hurt his shoulder in the state championship hockey game and hit a home run here in the last inning so I was happy for him

to go out that way. Walters also was buoyed to see how his players "didn't quit, they scored a couple runs and got four hits in the last inning."

The loss still was a disappointment, obviously.

"Coming in to today's game, 25 games on our schedule this year were teams who were still in the state tournament," Walters said. "We played a competitive schedule all year long. It's kind of disappointing that we didn't have our 'A' game today, but against a good team you can't have let-

The Chiefs, who improved to 25-11 with the semifinal victory, went on to lose 4-1 to Brother Rice in the final.

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YVETTE DIXON

Catholic Central. The win made Delapaz 10-0 for the season.

"Delapaz was pretty sharp,"

that's what we've been working

on. ... He had a nice breaking

Shamrocks' head coach

Kevin Walters said the out-

come came down to basics.

in to the last inning," Walters

said. "They hit the ball so they

deserve to win. Delapaz threw

"You've got to be good and

you've got to be lucky at this

They outhit us, I thought they

Canton broke out early, with

point and they deserved it.

threw better on the mound

than we did. They're a good

two runs in the first against

Catholic Central senior Brett

Stoney (2-for-2) tripled

in Sweda (who walked) and

Blakita, who reached on an

to 2-1 in the third but Stoney

got it right back in the top of

the fourth with a home run

over the 340-foot mark in left-

Canton opened up a 10-1

advantage in the top of the sev-

enth, with a double by Blakita

(2-for-3) and a two-run double

by junior Alex Dixon doing the

Catholic Central cut the lead

infield single.

center.

team."

a good ballgame for them.

"We only had two hits going

ball working for him."

Blomshield said. "He threw a

lot of first-pitch strikes, and

Canton junior left-handed pitcher Kevin Delapaz throws another strike

during Saturday's Division 1 regional semifinal victory over Novi-Detroit

Sophomore Seth Tschetter (1-for-2) singled to left to bring home senior shortstop Nick Tomelinko (1-for-2), who led off the frame with a base hit.

But the Chiefs couldn't add on to that lead, not able to take advantage of a walk and error in the bottom of the fifth against Brother Rice senior reliever Brad Zambron.

#### **GIVE THEM AN INCH**

Southpaw Dixon was dominating the Warriors through five, giving up just an infield single to Sohn in the third. Dixon only allowed five hits in the game.

Needing just six outs to finish off the Canton nemesis, he missed on a close 2-2 pitch to leadoff batter Alex Charles and eventually walked him.

"It was close," Stoney said. "Umpires have different strike zones, so it could have gone either way."

Riker added that the pitch "didn't miss by much, but that's the way baseball is."

Next up against the savvy Warriors — who defeated Northville 11-4 earlier in the day — was junior Pat MacKenzie, amid loud encouragement from teammates for "Patty Mac."

MacKenzie launched a triple that just eluded the glove of Canton senior leftfielder Nick Sweda to score Charles.

"I just told myself to get something good to hit and put it the opposite way," MacKenzie said. "I got a fastball outside corner and took it to left field."

That got the Warriors going. Another batter was hit by a pitch, an infield out scored

the go-ahead run and Steve Hodgins beat out a bunt. A wild pitch opened up a 3-1 edge and the final run scored on an error.

According to MacKenzie, being in those kinds of situations in the past settled down the team.

"You know what it takes," he said. "You kind of bear down deep to pull out a game like The Chiefs weren't quite

done, however. In the bottom of the seventh, they had the makings of a comeback following a leadoff hit by Dixon. With two on and one out,

and the tying run at the plate, Zambron pulled a Zumaya fanning junior Kevin Delapaz and Sweda to close out the proceedings.

#### **LOFTY PRAISE**

Classified Preview...

After talking to his team, Blomshield tipped his hat to the Warriors but also praised

Besides Stoney, Tomelinko

"They left their mark," he said. "We didn't even make it out of a district in 20 years and they did it twice, their junior and senior years.

for a lot of positive things to

triple and a home run while junior Cody Blakita went 2for-3 and drove in a pair.

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ups must be that weekend!

**NOVI** Royal Crown Estates Sub Sale: June 19-20: 9am-3pm; N of 9 mile, W of Taft.

### Garage Sales

PLYMOUTH Neighborhood Garage Sale - First in 20 years! Homer Street off Northville Rd., between 5 and 6 Mile. Something for every one – antiques, clothing, tools, and morel Friday and Saturday, June 12-13, 9am-5pm. Details: (248) 380-8368.

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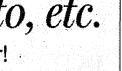
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#### **BUSINESS MILESTONES**

#### Pizza giveaway

Toarmina's Pizza will celebrate its 22nd anniversary by offering \$22,000 worth of pizza through June 25. The chain, which opened in Westland in June 1987, announced last week that it would be giving away three free sides with every purchase at participating Metro-Detroit locations this month. Now they are making it known that over the next three weeks they will be offering customers \$22,000 in absolutely free pizza. Toarmina's Pizza will be calling as many as 900 customers a day from Monday through Thursday for the next three weeks to let them know that they have been picked to win a free 12-inch pizza. Pizza lovers should make sure they answer their phone this month. Find the location nearest you by calling 1-888-24DELIVer or by visiting toarminas.com

#### Technology award

Midwest Technology Leaders presented two



awards at its fifth annual symposium held at the MGM Grand in Detroit June 3. Both awards honored companies and individuals who have made a commitment to furthering the regions technol-Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano was honored

ogy industry.

with one of three 2009 Corporate Commitment to Michigan (2CMICHIGAN) Award. Ficano was honored for the development of Wayne County's Mortgage Foreclosure Prevention Program (MFPP) and its Web site, www. FightMortgageForeclosure.com

#### Invescor hire



Christl Heidtman of Plymouth has joined Invescor, Ltd. as a Licensing Specialist. Heidtman brings over four years of licensing experience to Invescor, and is responsible for researching and tracking changes in licensing regulations on a national and state-by-state basis. Heidtman also assists agents, registered representatives, and firms

nationwide in resolving life settlement licensing issues. Heidtman joins Invescor from AAA - The Auto Club Group, where she managed insurance continuing education requirements for approximately 3,000 captive agents in eight states, and supported licensed employees with inquiries regarding pre-licensing requirements, appointments, and renewals. Heidtman is an active member of the Securities and Insurance Licensing Association (SILA), and has an Associate (SILA-A) Designation.

Heidtman earned a Bachelor's of Accounting degree

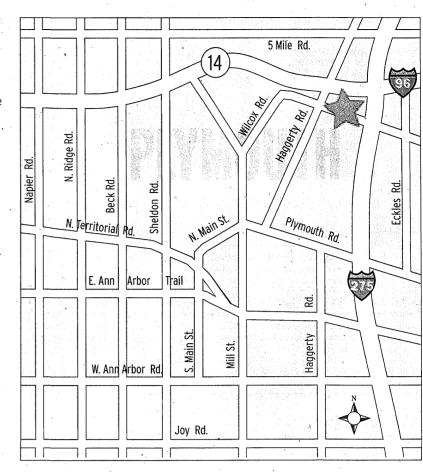
from DeVry Institute of Technology in Columbus, Ohio, graduating Cum Laude in 1998, and holds a Travel Certificate awarded with valedictorian honors from the Travel Education Institute in Southfield in 2001

#### **New system**

features and enhancements.

Link Engineering of Plymouth announced the release of a new portable data acquisition system, the Model 3802. The Model 3802 is the next generation of the Link Compact Data Acquisition System. It uses a Windows XP Embedded operating system to provide superb operation and to support additional system

Like its predecessor, the 3802 uses an embedded computer which eliminates the requirement for a laptop computer for testing. Joe Burchill, sales engineer for the 3802, noted: "This platform allows us to continue provide our customers with a compact, easy to use data acquisition system that now has the capability to record vehicle CAN data. The new operating software means that we can continue to develop the 3802 and add further functionality and features as future." Link Engineering has been in operation since 1935 with offices around the globe. Link designs, develops, manufactures, installs, and operates a wide array of test systems for the automotive, truck, railroad, and aerospace



#### IT'S YOUR BUSINESS Q&A



Drs. Ronald and Vanessa Adelman of Associates in Podiatry of Michigan in Plymouth.

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Observer: Please tell us about your business.

Associates in Podiatry: We provide complete foot and ankle care for the entire family. We are proud to be Plymouth residents, and enjoy working in the community we have chosen to call home. Our doctors specialize in Sports Medicine, Orthopedic Trauma, Pediatric Orthopedics. Diabetic Foot Care, Geriatric Foot Care, All Facets of Reconstructive Foot and Ankle Surgery, Adult and Pediatric Reconstructive and Revision Surgery, Arthroscopic Foot and Ankle Surgery, Corrective Foot/Ankle Surgery, Emphasizing Cosmetic Outcomes.

Observer: What makes your business unique?

Associates in Podiatry: Drs Ronald and Vanessa Adelman are two of the few foot and ankle surgeons in the area with their breadth of training; our doctors are well versed in the latest surgical techniques, foot and ankle trauma, diabetes and how it affects the feet, geriatric foot care, and children's foot care. Both doctors are athletes and have extensive experience dealing with athletic injuries. Dr Ronald also has the unique advantage of being part of two area orthopedic groups, the Orthopedic Institute of Michigan (Marian Professional Building at St Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia), and the Detroit Receiving Orthopedic Trauma Clinic (Detroit Receiving Hospital, Detroit). Drs Ronald and Vanessa are also actively involved in research and with residency training programs at area teaching hospitals.

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- Adelman • Your hometown: Plymouth
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- Number of employees: 3 staff, 2 physicians • Your business specialty: Podiatric Medicine/
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- a.m. to noon; Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. as needed.
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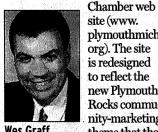
#### Observer: How did you decide to locate your business in Plymouth?

Associates in Podiatry: Dr Vanessa Adelman (formerly Vanessa Bodnar) grew up in Plymouth. It was always her dream to return to her hometown and give back to the community by providing quality foot and ankle care for the residents of Plymouth and the surrounding

#### CHAMBER CHAT

#### **New Web site**

Better graphics, more pictures, more capabilities and guitars are all part of the dynamic new



**Wes Graff** 

plymouthmich. org). The site is redesigned to reflect the new Plymouth Rocks community-marketing theme that the Chamber is using

in all our promotions.

Receiving an average of 45,000 hits per month, the web site is the Chamber's number one tool to promote the community. In

the site there are specific sections designed for people interested in moving to the community, for business development and for visitors. There is also a section listing upcoming community events and major festivals. Additionally, there is information on the Chamber, including a calendar of upcoming

Chamber events and a business search section. The new site also provides more capabilities for members who can now be listed in multiple business categories on the business search and there is a map displayed with each listing showing a member's

location. In the future, we will be

able to allow members to add text

and pictures to their listings.

Chamber member Powerful Design created the new site.

We encourage you to review your listing in the "business search" section. Please let us know if we need to update your information, list your business in a different category or add a link to your website. Our web site's address is www.plymouthmich. org. If you would like to make changes to your listing, please contact the Chamber at wes@ plymouthmich.org or call the Chamber at (734) 453-1540.

Wes Graff is executive director of the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce. He can be reached by calling (734) 453-1540.

#### **BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS**



#### **Inventor honor**

Energy-efficient engine technology won a national Inventor of the Year Award for a team from Ford Motor Company that included retired worker Jim Baughman, who is also an employee at Plymouth Nursery. The Intellectual **Property Owners Education Foundation** honored the inventors of the Fordpatented Plasma Transferred Wire Arc (PTWA) technology used to apply coatings on engine cylinder bores with the 2009 National Inventor of the Year Award. The team of inventors honored at the National Inventor of the Year Award ceremony in Washington, D.C., included Baughman and Dr. David Cook, Keith Kowalsky and Daniel Marantz of supplier Flame-Spray Industries. Cook was a member of the Ford team when the spray device initially was developed.





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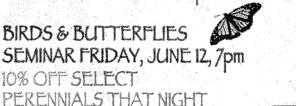
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#### FRANK B. HOLOWICKI

Of Fort Myers, Florida (formally of Plymouth, Michigan) went to be with the Lord on June 6th, 2009 at the age of 83. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Jenny Holowicki; daughters Christine Holowicki (Warren Hecht) and Andrea Hug (Gerry); sons Frank Holowicki, Jr. and Paul Holowicki; two loving grandchildren, Emily and Kara. Frank was one of nine children. five brothers and two sisters. Frank was a U.S. Navy navigator in the South Pacific during WWII, retired City of Detroit police detective, and a retired Ford Motor Co. investigator. He also received a bachelor's degree from Wayne State University. Frank was an avid golfer, umpire, referee and story teller. Memorial service will held in Fort Myers, Florida at St. Columbkille Catholic Church, (239) 489-3973. An additional Memorial service will be held in Ann Arbor, Michigan at St. Thomas Apostle Catholic Church, (734) 761-8606, on June 19th, at 10:30 a.m. with a luncheon to follow. Call the churches for details. Memorial contributions can be made to American Diabetes Association

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Observer & Eccentric | Thursday, June 11, 2009

**JOSEPH INATOME** 

Age 84, June 6, 2009. Died Saturday at his residence in Estero Fl. He was born June 3, 1925 in San Francisco, CA. Retired as an engineer and Founder of Inatome & Associates, Founder of Inacomp, Found of Computer City and Chairman of American Speedy/Allegra. He was a member of the Engineering Society of Detroit. Mr. Inatome was a Veteran of the U.S. Army Military Intelligence having served during WW II and received the American Campaign Medal and the Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal. He earned an Engineering Degree from Wayne State University. Hobbies included Chess and Computers. He is survived by his loving wife Atsuko. Children Rick (Joyce) Inatome, J.C. Inatome. Proud Grandfather of Dania (Winston Justice), Evan, Blake, Jaron, Jesse (Angie) Griffith and Tyler Cole. Great-grandfather of Selah Justice. Predeceased by his daughter Lisa Inatome, parents Masakichi and Masa Inatome, sister Etsako Kim and brother Massahiro Inatome. Funeral Service 12 Noon Friday June 12, 2009 at the A.H.Peters Funeral Home 32000 Schoenherr at Masonic (13½ Mile Rd)Warren with Pastor Doug Olsen Officiating, Military Honors will follow. Visitation at the Funeral Home Thursday from 3pm until 9pm. www.ahpeters.com

May You  $oldsymbol{F}$ ind Comfort in Family Friends

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's degree from Michigan State University. Frederick was Treasurer and Director of the Birmingham Community House from 1976- 1977. Frederick was active at Kirk in the Hills as Treasurer and Trustee from 1980-1989. He was also the co-founder and officer of the Garden Guild at Kirk in the Hills from 1976 - 2002. Frederick co-founded, directed, and was an officer for both the Bloomfield Hills Baseball League as well as the Boosters Club. He directed the Wabeek Condominium Association for 16 years, where he was President for seven years. With his wife Lorraine, he co-chaired the Bloomfield Hills Recreation Community Education Commission in 1975. He is predeceased by a son, Richard Janz. Frederick is survived by his wife Lorraine Copeland Janz of Bloomfield Hills, MI. Surviving children are: Michael Janz of Plymouth, MI; William Janz of Oceanside, CA; Carol Janz of Longmont, CO; and Linda Janz Faison of Oldsmar, FL, along with 10 grandchildren and one greatgrandchild. A memorial service will be held at Kirk in the Hills, Bloomfield Hills at 11:00 am on Saturday, June 13, 2009. Memorial tributes may be made to Leader Dogs as well as Kirk in the Hills Garden Guild. Arrangements made by the Wm. R. Hamilton Co. - Mount Clemens.

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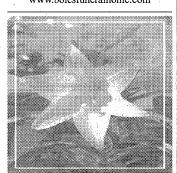
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CAROLINE AGLIA **KAPTUR** 

Of Pinehurst, NC died peacefully at her home on June 5. Mrs. Kaptur was born on Jan. 9, 1931 in Dayton, OH. to the late Harry Herman and Hedwig Pauline Weaver. She received a B.A. in psychology in 1976 and diplomas in nursing in 1967 and anesthesia in 1973. She practiced anesthesia for 22 years in North Carolina. She was pre-ceded in death by her husband of 46 years, Vincent Daniel Kaptur, II in 1996. Her greatest pride and joy were her four children and her four grandchildren. She loved to sing in the choir, sew, grow flowers, and cook for her family and friends. Her children and grandchildren meant more to her than life itself. Mrs. Kaptur is survived by her daughters: Terese Ann Kaptur of Ft. Collins, CO., Dr. Paulina Eve Kaptur of Germantown, MD., and Nicolette Marie Kaptur of Birmingham, MI., and her son Vincent Nicolette Daniel Kaptur, III and his wife Lisa of Bloomfield Hills, MI. Her grandchildren are: Nicole Windsor Ross, Scott Harrison Kaptur, Lauren Allegra Houlik, and Vincent Daniel Kaptur, IV. In lieu of flowers, memorials be made to First Health Hospice of Pinehurst. Online condolences may be made at: www.bolesfuneralhome.com



## Crafts, games make Bible lessons fun

**O&E STAFF WRITER** 

Sarah Sutphin isn't sure why "kids come out of the woodwork" to attend Clarenceville United Methodist Church's annual Vacation Bible School in Livonia every June.

"It could be because the parents went to Vacation Bible School when they were young or maybe they need a couple of hours away from their kids. Our program is free and that might be part of it, too," said Sutphin, director of youth ministry for the church.

Kelly Salter of Bell Creek Community Church in Livonia also welcomes kids. The church, which meets for Sunday service at Franklin High School, began holding Vacation Bible School in 2004, a year after it was founded. Summer attendance has been steady over the past few years, drawing about 100 kids to the four-day program.

"I know that when things are tough in life, like these economic times, people look for hope. And hearing the truth about Jesus Christ and watching kids engage with other kids and learn meaningful lessons can bring hope to their lives," Salter said. "We, as a church, get excited to see kids getting excited about Jesus."

The church has always held the program in various locations, starting with Corrado Park in Westland, then Wilson Barn in Livonia and now McKinley Elementary, at 9101 Hillcrest, Livonia. About 40 percent of its students are 'visitors" who do not regularly attend Bell Creek.

More than half of the Vacation Bible School students at Clarenceville last year weren't church members.

The Clarenceville program runs 6-9 p.m. June 22-25 at the church, 20300 Middlebelt, just south of Eight Mile. Bell Creek will run from

9:30-11:30 a.m. July 20-23 at McKinley School.

Sign up for the Clarenceville program by calling Sutphin at (248) 474-3444. Sign up for the Bell Creek program at www. bellcreek.org or by calling (734) 425-1174.

A sampling of other Vacation Bible School sessions:

**■** Covenant Community Church, 25800 Student St., at Five Mile, Redford Township, holds free Vacation Bible School for children, age 4 through sixth grade, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., June 22-26. (313) 535-3100

**■** Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, north of I-96, Livonia, holds "Gadget's Garage," (God's Always Doing Great, Exciting Things) 9 a.m. to noon, June 22-26 for children, age 3 through fifth grade. Register online at www.christoursavior.org by clicking on the events page. (734) 513-8413

■ St. Aidan Catholic Church on Farmington Road, north of Six Mile, Livonia, offers the Crocodile Dock program, 9 a.m. to noon, June 15-19. Cost is \$25 per child, with a family discount available. For more information, call Jackie at (734) 425-9333.

■ New Hope Church and Friendship Church of Canton team to offer the Crocodile Dock program, for children, age 3 to fifth grade, from 6-9 p.m. July 19-23, at Crosswinds Church, 46788 Cherry Hill, Canton. Register for the free program online at www.newhopechurchcanton.org or www. cantonfriendship.org. Click on links to Vacation Bible School. E-mail to sue.norton.08@ gmail.com for information.

■ St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth, offers an "In the Garden" theme Vacation Bible School for age 3 through fifth grade, 9:30 a.m. to noon, Monday-Thursday, July 27-30. Register online at http:// stjohnsplymouth.us/. Call the church at (734) 453-0190.

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

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## Led Zeppelin music dazzles in rock symphony

The Music of Led Zeppelin: A Rock Symphony returns for the sixth year in a row to dazzle concertgoers at DTE Energy Music Theatre at 8 p.m. Saturday, June 20.

A stunning light show sets the stage for this presentation of Led Zeppelin's classic hits. The concert brings together a 50-piece orchestra, a full rock band, state of the art concert lighting and the legendary music of Led Zeppelin.

The Music of Led Zeppelin is two hours of 18 Led Zeppelin songs including such hits as "Stairway to Heaven" and "Black Dog." It's conducted and arranged by Brent Havens. Show producer Rob Cross originally constructed the show for the Virginia Symphony, but with its success, it has played in venues all over the United States.

In the time Led Zeppelin was together, they



Lead singer Randy Jackson (front row center), and conductor Brent Havens (back row, left), pose with other key members of Led Zeppelin: A Rock Symphony.

helped shape the rock music of today. Led Zeppelin II (1969) immediately hit number one on Billboard's Pop Albums chart and remained there for seven weeks. In 1971, Led Zeppelin IV hit number two on Billboard's Pop Albums chart and became the band's biggest album, selling more than 16 million copies. "Stairway to Heaven," a single off the album, was an instantaneous hit, becoming the most played song in radio history.

DTE Energy Music Theater, 7773 Pine Knob Rd, Clarkston, is off of I-75 at Sashabaw Rd.

Tickets at \$32.50 pavilion and \$10 lawn may be purchased at Palacenet.com, The Palace Box Office and all Ticketmaster locations. Tickets may also be charged by phone at 1-800-745-3000.

#### **GET OUT**

Northville Art House: The Painted Stage Theatre Portrayed Through the Artist's Brush, (A Tipping Point collaboration) through June 20. Classes for adults and children, 215 W. Cady, (248) 344-0497, www.northvillearts.org. Orchard Lake Fine Art Show: July 24-26, includes artist awards, demonstrations, entertainment, kids activities and a youth art competition, Orchard Lake St. Mary's Schools, Orchard Lake (248) 684-2613, www.HotWorks.com.

Plymouth Art in the Park: July 10-12, Kellogg Park. Plymouth Community Arts Council: Behind the Lens "Peace Project," through June 12, 774 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth. (734)416-4278, www. plymoutharts.com

#### BENEFITS

AIDS Partnership Michigan: Solstice, live jazz, wine, strolling dinner, dancing, silent auction, casual chic attire, 7 p.m. June 20, \$95, 34500 Woodward Ave., Birmingham, www.aidspartner-

Detroit Opera House: BrayoBrayo!, 7:30 p.m. June 15, \$95, jazz sophisticate attire, www.bravo-bravo.org, (313) 961-3500.

Detroit Orchestra Hall: DSO fundraiser, "A Midsummer Night's Dream." 6 p.m. opening reception; 7 p.m. concert featuring DSO music director Leonard Slatkin, mezzo soprano Frederica von Stade; 8 p.m. afterparty with music, dancing; 8:30 p.m. formal dinner and strolling dinner and 10 p.m. dancing. Tickets \$250-5,000 per person. (313) 576-5082 or visit www.dsomidsummer.com. Free seating on a first-come, first-served basis for concert only to those who work for an automaker, a supplier or at a dealership. Must reserve: call 313-576-5111. www.detroitsymphony.com

The Parade Co: The Parade Company's Official VIP Rooftop Party, 6-11 p.m. June 24. Entertainment, food, games, activities for all ages, viewing of fireworks. Benefits the Michigan Thanksgiving Parade Foundation. Miller Parking Garage, 400 Renaissance Center Drive, Detroit. \$175, children six and under \$75. Tickets: (313)432-7831, www.theparade.org.

#### CLASSICAL/CHAMBER MUSIC

Detroit Chamber Winds & Strings: Final Concert, 8 p.m. June 20, Seligman Center, (248) 559-2095, www.detroitchamberwinds.org. Oakland Brass Band: Gone Fishin', 8 p.m. June 12, Berkley High School, 2325 Catalpa, (248) 931-5169, www.oaklandbrassband.com

#### CLUBS

Soundboard: Boz Scaggs, June 17; Sinbad, July 25; Melissa Etheridge, June 26; Gary Allan, Aug. 21; An Evening With Natalie Cole, Oct. 3, MotorCity Casino Hotel, Detroit, www.ticketmaster.com, www.motorcitycasino.com.

#### COMEDY

JD's House of Comedy: Stand-up shows, 8 p.m. Thursday and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday; Apollo amateur night, 8 p.m. Wednesday; 25333 W. 12 Mile, inside Star Theatre complex, Southfield, (248) 348-2420 or www.ticketmaster.com.

Jazz Cafe at Music Hall: Show Up, and Go Up, 9 p.m. third Thursday of every month, open call, free, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit, (313) 887-8532, www. jazzcafedetroit.com.

Joey's Comedy Club of Livonia: Joey's Summer Variety Extravaganza, 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 30. 7:30 p.m. seating and live music. Live orchestra, stand up comedy, improv, mime, break dancing, tap dancing, belly dancing. \$5. 36071 Plymouth Road, (734) 261-0555, www.kickerscomplex.com.

Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle: Open Mic 8 p.m. most Wednesdays; 269 E. Fourth, Royal Oak, (248) 542-9900, www.comedycastle.com.

#### CONCERTS

Callahan's: Summertime blues concerts, 8 n.m. Popa Chubby/JoAnne Shaw Taylor, June 13; Duke Robillard Band, June 17; Ronnie Baker Brooks, June 18; Cedric Burnside & Lightnin' Malc& Olm, June 19; Roomful of Blues, July 12; Tinsley Ellis, July 24. 2105 South Boulevard, south of the Palace, Auburn Hills: www.atcallahans.com, 248-858-9508.

Clutch Cargo: Framing Hanley and Red, July 2, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. (248) 645-6666. Comerica Park: Kid Rock, July 17-18; Vans Warped Tour, July 31; 1-800-745-3000, Ticketmaster. com, www.warpedtour.com

Detroit Institute of Arts: Friday Night Live concerts, 7 & 8:30 p.m., 5200 Woodward Ave. (313) 833-7900, www.dia.org.

DTE Energy Music Theatre: Credence Clearwater

Revisited, June 12; Clay Walker, June 13; The Music of Led Zeppelin: A Rock Symphony, June 20; The Legends of Motown, June 21; Earth, Wind & Fire and Chicago, June 24; New Kids on the Block, June 25; The Fray with Jack's Mannequin, June 27; Rock The Bells 2009 Festival, June 28; Heart, June 30. 7774 Sashabaw Road, Clarkston (248) 377-0100 Fillmore: Rise Against, June 24, 2115 Woodward.

Detroit. (248) 645-6666. Fox Theatre: Aretha Franklin, July 11, 2211 Woodward, Detroit, Ticketmaster.com (248)

Magic Bag: Backyard Tire Fire, June 11; The Tennessee Three, June 19; The Lemonheads, June 21; Taylor Hicks, June 22; The Cliks, June 23; The Church, June 25; Leon Russell, June 26; Dr. John, June 27; Live The Who, July 10; The Original Wailers, Aug. 7; The Why Store, Aug. 14; 40oz. To Freedom, Aug. 16; AJA, Aug. 21, 22920 Woodward, Ferndale, (248) 544-3030, www. themagicbag.com.

Meadow Brook Music Festival: "Regeneration Tour" with ABC, Wang Chung, Heaven 17 and Cutting Crew, June 27; Counting Crows w/Augustana, July 8; 1964 The Tribute, July 9; Comedian David Alan Grier, July 11; ABBA The Tour, July 16 3554 Walton Blvd Rochester Hills. Ticketmaster. com. (248) 377-0100

Magic Stick: Dusty Rhodes, June 11; Volcanos, June 12: Waylon Birthday Tribute, June 13; The Homosexuals, June 18; Propagandhi, June 19; The Detroit Cobras, June 20; The Germs, June 25; Thunderheist!, June 26; Jay Reatard, June 27; Greg Cartwright, June 28; The Present, June 29; Black Moth Super Rainbow, June 30, 4120-4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit, www.majesticdetroit.com.

Majestic Theatre: Amanda Lepore, June 7; Blackendfest featuring Mayhem, June 13; X, June 17; The Gories/The Oblivians, June 27; Leftover Crack/Casualties, July 1, 4120-4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit, www.majesticdetroit.

Northville Friday Night Concerts: Lady Sunshine & the X Band, June 12; Shawn Riley Band, June 19; Gia Warner, June 26; Randy Brock Band, July 3; Mass Transit Band, July 10; The Kris K Band, July 17; Soul Academy, July 24; Fifty Amp Fuse, July 31, 7-9 p.m., Town Square, (248) 349-7640

www.northville.org

Oakland Community College: Free summer concert series, A Little Night Music, 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Highland Lakes Campus' front lawn and pavil ion; student center area in case of rain. July 14, The Motor City Brass Band; July 21, Jim Dignan Swing Shift; July 28, Partly Brothers; Aug 4, Pamela Wise and the Latin Jazz All Stars; Aug. 11, Cats and the Fiddle; Aug. 18: Blackthorn. 7350 Cooley Lake Road, Waterford

Palace of Auburn Hills: Dane Cook, June 12; No Doubt w/Paramore and Bedouin Soundclash, July 3; Beyonce, July 18; Jonas Brothers w/Jordin Sparks and Honor Society, July 26; The Wiggles, Aug. 14; AC/DC, Aug. 16; Aerosmith w/ZZ Top, Sept. 16; Frank Caliendo/Bill Engvall, Oct. 24, 1 Championship Drive, Auburn Hills, (248) 645-6666 or Palacenet.com Royal Oak Music Theatre: Boxing VI, Night of

Knockouts, June 13; Robin Trower, June 20; Sonic Youth, June 29; Reel Big Fish & The English Beat, July 3; Asher Roth and Kid Cudi live, July 18; Wilco, July 21; Fleet Foxes, Aug. 5; The Decemberists, Aug. 11. 318 W. Fourth, Royal Oak. (800) 919-6272, www.royaloakmusicthe-St. Andrew's Hall: Metric, June 15; Robin Trower,

June 20, 431 E. Congress, Detroit, (248) 645-

Bakers Keyboard Lounge: Jazz for Kids Program, 2-5 p.m. Sundays, 20510 Livernois Ave., Detroit, (313) 345-6300, www.bakerskeyboardlounge.

Detroit Institute of Arts: Target Family Sundays, storytelling, performances and more starting at 2 p.m. every Sunday, free with admission, 5200 Woodward, Detroit, (313) 833-7900, www.

Fox Theatre: Thomas & Friends Live! On Stage, A Circus Comes To Town, June 13-14, 2211 Woodward, Detroit, Ticketmaster.com (248) 433-1515.

Marquis Theatre: "Rumplestiltskin," Aug. 8-Sept. 20; "Pinky the Flying Ghost," Oct. 17-25; \$8.50; ages 3 and up. 135 E. Main, Northville. (248) 349-8110, www.northvillemarquistheatre.



#### Performing at the **Fisher Theatre**

American Idol Taylor Hicks performs in Grease, at the Fisher Theatre until June 28.

### Farmington Hills kicks off summer concert series

The City of Farmington Hills will present the Farmington Community Band as the opening concert in its "Stars in the Park" summer concert series at 7:30 p.m. June 18. Funding for the program is provided by DaimlerChrysler Financial Services and the City's Special Services Department.

The band's repertoire includes a selection of many different musical styles, from Big Band to Broadway, classical to jazz. The group was founded in 1966, and has grown from its initial six members to today's 65-member concert band, a 20-piece jazz/dance band, clarinet choir, Dixieland band, and other small ensembles.

Led by maestro Damien Crutcher, the FCB is a non-profit organization sponsored by individual, business, and corporate patronage. The band is guided and operated by a 30-member board of directors representing all facets of the community, with the purpose of maintaining a quality musical group to entertain audiences and also provide an outlet for the area's many talented musicians. Membership is open at all times to any adult, and by audition to qualified high school students. Several of the band's members have participated for over 20 years.

Concert goers are encouraged to bring a blanket or lawn chair and a picnic dinner. Heritage Park is located at 24915 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills. The rain-out site for the concert will be the Costick Center, located three miles east of Heritage Park on Eleven Mile Road. The concert series continues on Thursday nights throughout the summer. For a complete listing, go to www.fhgov.com or call (248) 473-1857.

### See family favorite films at the Penn

The Penn Theatre offers a summer series of family movies beginning June 18 with Stuart Little. The programs are sponsored by the Packaging

Corporation of America, Plymouth District Library, Michigan Made & More and Community Financial Credit Union.

Shows are at 1 and 7 p.m., with the box office opening a half hour before each screening. All seats are \$3.

Here's the line-up through August: ■ June 25: The Music Man

■ July 2: Fly Away Home

July 16: An American Tail

■ July 23: The Shaggy Dog (original 1959 ver-

■ July 30: Annie

■ Aug. 6: In Search of the Castaways **Aug. 13:** *Babe* 

■ Aug. 20: Apple Dumpling Gang ■ Aug. 27: The Muppets Take Manhattan

The Penn Theatre is located at 760 Penniman Ave., in downtown Plymouth.

(734) 453-0870 www.penntheatre.com Never without a camera growing

## Farmington Hills gallery features local photography

P.D. Rearick will be featured through July 9 at the Farmington Hills City Gallery located in the Costick Center at 28600 W. 11 Mile. A reception will be held 6-8:30 p.m., Friday, June 12 in the lobby of the Costick Center. The event is free and open to the public, and refreshments will be served.

The exhibit features traditionally printed black and white prints presented in an untraditional format. The small prints are set in a series that float in a semi dark room, each with its own bulb to illuminate the scenes. The artist's interventions with the prints themselves are exposed through the soft halo of backlighting. Pushing the boundaries of photography and creating a unique viewing experience makes it an exhibition of intimacy and whimsy.

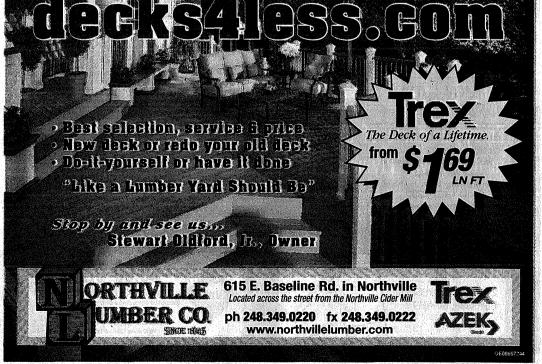
up, the artist received a BFA from Columbia College Chicago and has

continued in a spirit of inventiveness with every portfolio. After assisting for a company of elite architectural photographers, Hedrich Blessing, in Chicago and New Mexico, he felt compelled to apply his craft as a career.

After several self-curated shows in Albuquerque, he was accepted at the Cranbrook Academy of Art in Bloomfield Hills, where he is currently an MFA candidate in photography. Recent works have been displayed in group shows in New Mexico, Illinois, Georgia, and Michigan, and in a variety of private collections. In addition, Rearick volunteers as an intern for the Cultural Arts Division of the Farmington Hills Department of Special Services. His portfolios can be viewed at www.flickr.com/photos/pdrearick. For more information on the exhibit

or to be added to the Farmington Hills Cultural Arts contact list, call (248) 473-







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This year, Rochester has a second roadside stand farmers market on Thursday evenings.

Observer & Eccentric | Thursday, June 11, 2009

## Each farmers market sells fresh fare, unique products

Every farmers market has its own unique flavor.

Northville's Farmers Market features a schedule of events that includes demon-

strations by chefs every third Thursday. At Southfield's Thursday farmers market, people can shop for fresh fare during their lunch hour then enjoy it at picnic tables while listening to live entertain-

It all makes for a fun and wholesome event that often includes activities for children and the family.

Following is a listing of area farmers markets and a sample of their offerings:

**CANTON** — Canton Farmers Market is 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sundays through Oct. 25 at the historic Bartlett-Travis House, 500 N. Ridge. Vendors offer a wide variety of merchandise as it becomes available, including fresh fruits and vegetables, bread, baked goods, flowers, herbs, jellies, jams, cider, honey and more.

(734) 398-5570, Ext. 5; www.leisure. canton-mi.org.

**DETROIT EASTERN MARKET** — 5 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays year-round. Detroit Eastern Market is the largest historic public market district in the United States. Every Saturday, Michigan's largest and most colorful market is host to more than 150 farmers and vendors from Michigan, Ohio, and Canada. 2934 Russell St., Detroit. (313) 833-9300.

**FARMINGTON** — The Farmington Farmers Artisans Market is 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Saturday through November at the Walter Sundquist Pavilion on Grand River, in

downtown Farmington. Seasonal fruits and vegetables, flowers, plants and artisan crafts.

(248) 841-4959

**GARDEN CITY** — The Farmers Market in downtown Garden City is in the Garden City Town Center, northeast corner of Ford and Middlebelt, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesdays. A wide selection of fruits, vegetables and plants are offered. In addition, there are seminars. Bring vour lawn chair for market related seminars at 10:30 a.m. on the second Wednesday of the month.

On June 10: Container Gardening is the topic sponsored by The Wild Iris Floral Boutique.

(734) 422 - 4448

**LIVONIA** — The Livonia Farmers Market, operated by Friends of Wilson Barn, is open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays through October at the Wilson Barn on the northeast corner of West Chicago and Middlebelt.

NORTHVILLE — The Farmers Market is 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursdays through Oct. 30 in the Northville Downs parking lot at the corner of Seven Mile and Sheldon

More than 100 stalls feature fresh produce, plants and flowers. Other finds are honey, bakery goods, fine juried crafters, garden art, soaps, jewelry, furniture, woodworking and home accessories.

The schedule of events includes: Chef's at the Market, third Thursdays; Can You Dig It? second Thursdays — Master Gardener sessions; and Hot Weather

Holiday on Aug. 20, so you can start your holiday shopping season early.

Garden pot recycling returns with larger collection bin for clean pots, plug trays and flat trays. Last year, 650 pounds of plastic was collected.

Also, the Wayne County Master Gardeners will be accepting donations of fresh produce from your garden, community garden plots, or purchased at the Farmers' Market to be donated locally. (248) 349-7640 or visit www.north-

**PLYMOUTH** — The Plymouth Farmer's Market, 736 Penniman, is 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturdays, May through

Vendors sell home-grown and/or handmade products.

Located at The Gathering, 386 S. Main Street and Penniman Avenue, between Main and Union streets.

(734) 453-1540

ROYAL OAK — The Royal Oak Farmers Market, 316 E. 11 Mile, is a premier southeast Michigan market venue. Farm producers sell from an enclosed building, with ample parking, on Friday during the farm season (May through Christmas) and Saturday all year. The market is owned and operated by the City of Royal Oak. It's in the Civic Center at the corner of 11 Mile Road and Troy Street, across from the library and adjacent to the 44th District Court. Hours are: Fridays 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays.

(248) 246-FARM (3276)

#### CITY BITES

**CANTON GRUB CRAWL** 

**CANTON** — Mark July 21 on your calendar for the annual Canton Chamber of Commerce Grub Crawl. Busses and vans taxi guests to more than a dozen participating restaurants, each of which offers samples of their favorite food specialties, from 6-10 p.m. Participating restaurants will include Antonio's Cucina Italiana, Applebee's, Bailey's Pub & Grille, bd's Mongolian Grill, Buffalo Wild Wings, Carrabba's Italian Grill, Chili's, Crow's Nest, 4 Friends, Max & Erma's, Rose's Restaurant, Shark Club, Shish Kabob Cafe', T.C. Gators Sport Page, and T.G.I. Fridays. For more information call (734) 453-4040.

#### **DETROIT-WINDSOR AIR RACES**

**DETROIT** — View the finals of the 2009 Air Race World Championship, which take place on Sunday, June 14, on the Detroit River, from atop the seven-story Beaubien Garage. The National Multiple Sclerosis Society and the Matt Prentice Restaurant Group have teamed up to offer the viewing space as a charity fund-raiser. 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. Buy online at www. nationalmssociety.org/mig or call (248) 351-2190, ext. 225.

#### **MAKE-A-WISH FUNRAISER**

 ${f LIVONIA}$  — The Make-A-Wish Foundation is partnering with Baskin-Robbins for a 'FunRaiser' to raise money for their Wish-A-Mile Bicycle Tour, a three-day, 300-mile bicycle ride from Traverse City to Chelsea. Baskin Robbins will donate \$1 to the Make-A-Wish Foundation from each ice cream cake they sell through July 25. They aim to sell 5,000 cakes, raising \$5,000 for the Wish-A-Mile.

To kick off the program, Baskin Robbins will host an event 3-9 p.m. Monday, June 8 at the Livonia location, 17138 Farmington Road. Local media and Make-A-Wish representatives will join customers to enjoy entertainment, their favorite Baskin Robbin's flavor and an additional \$5-off coupon on any ice cream cake purchased that day, including pre-orders. Visit www.baskinrob-

#### **BBQ RIB COOK OFF**

NOVI — The first-ever West Oakland Rib Cook Off and Family Fest, is set for Sunday, Aug. 9 at Rock Financial Showplace, 46100 Grand River Ave in Novi. The all day event will feature as many as fifty BBQ Rib Teams, live music, local restaurant tastings, family activities including a furry creature petting zoo, and

"Experience West Oakland," a committee of the Novi Chamber of Commerce, was recently granted a sanction from the Memphis Barbeque Network for their inaugural event, which will offer BBQ competitors the chance to compete for Prize Packages totaling \$10,000. A panel of 40 professional and amateur judges will determine the contest results. The Grand Prize Winner will be invited to compete in the "Memphis in May" Barbeque Network Finals, May 2010.

More information on the sanctioning body can be found at www.MBNBBQ.com

Registration information for interested contestants can be found at www.experiencewo.com

Restaurants located in Western Oakland County are invited to participate in the fun by offering samples of their most popular dishes. Exhibitors featuring cooking and barbeque related products are also welcome. For additional information about the West Oakland Rib Cook Off and Family Fest, contact Linda Daly at the Novi Chamber of Commerce, (248) 349-3743, or e-mail info@novichamber.com.



DEARBORN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Wednesday, June 17, 2009 | 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM

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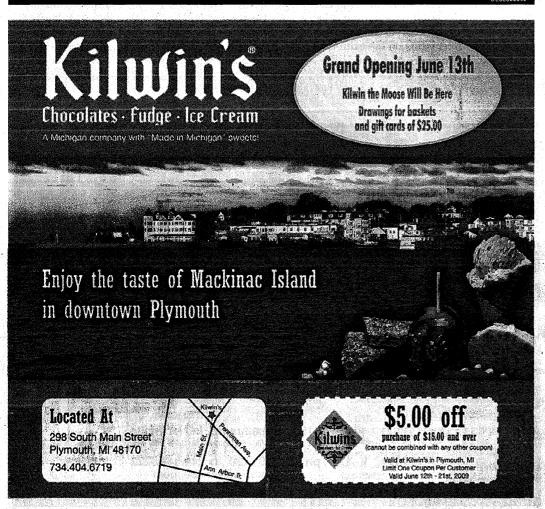
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## Habitat on the grow in Westland, other towns

BY JULIE BROWN O&E STAFF WRITER

Finding affordable housing is a concern for many these days, and what Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne County works to achieve

Alice Dent, the affiliate's executive director, is excited about the Christian housing ministry's outreach in western Wayne. The Plymouth-based affiliate is moving into Wayne and Westland this year, after opening the first Habitat-built home in 2005 in Canton and 2006 in Van Buren Township.

"It's a win-win," said Dent, who's appreciative of Westland Mayor. William Wild and other city officials. Dent noted it's best for families if they live where children attend school and near to churches and other support systems forming a "comfort zone."

She described Westland as a great place to live. "I'm just so excited we're able to provide affordable housing in Westland," Dent said. "It's a beautiful city."

Mayor William Wild is equally enthused. "I think it's a real good thing," Wild said of the Habitat project. "We're excited about partnering up with them. They do a great job. They build a quality home." He was able to tour the Canton home.

Dent's working with Joanne Inglis, Westland housing and community development director. "It's very exciting," Inglis said of the Habitat project. "We're really excited to be moving in this direction."

The seven Westland homes to be built in 2009 and 2010 will be scattered around the city, Dent said. Inglis noted the '09 homes are supported by neighborhood stabilization program grants. The Westland Fire Department will use a vacant property for training.

The first city of Wayne home build with Habitat recently took place. The Westland projects grew out of a meeting Dent had with Wild in 2008. "We were inquiring about a partnership," she said. "It just blossomed from that.

"We want to provide affordable housing for the entire population," Dent said of the western Wayne homes. "It's creating a lot of enthusiasm."

Habitat staff and volunteers will work with students from the building trades program of the Wayne-Westland schools, with Dent pleased to see young people involved. "I love working with cities like Westland," Dent said. "Everybody's just so motivated. They're making it easy for us. It's good to feel wanted."

One Westland site is on Donnelly Street where one home will be demolished. The site is large enough that three new Habitat homes will go up in its place on the property off Wayne Road near Arthur.

Another Westland project is on Vincent Street in the Vincent-Newburgh area north of Michigan Avenue; that one is a rehab of an existing property. Another rehab will be on Christine in the Wayne Road-



The Apostles partner family who received a home last year, Alice Dent, executive director of the Habitat affiliate, church representatives, and a Northwest Airlines representative gather at a 2008 ground breaking. Habitat is building a number of homes in the area, including Wayne and Westland.

Glenwood area of Westland.

"I was able to walk through all these rehabs" with city staff, said Dent, who liked what she saw.

New builds for this year in Westland also include on Hanover near Inkster and Van Born and on Eton Street in the Middlebelt-Van Born area south of Annapolis. There will be a total of two new and two rehabs in 2009 in Westland, Dent said, with the three new homes on Donnelly to be done in

late 2010.

She's pleased with the seven total homes for Westland, and hopes to have work done by Thanksgiving next year of the Donnelly Westland homes. "Isn't that a beautiful blessing to say "Thank you for my new house?"

Volunteer needs are a ways off still for the Westland projects. You can click on "volunteer" on the affiliate's Web site at www.habitatwwc.org to check on volunteer schedules.

#### BRIEFS

#### Benefit

Farmington Hills-based Sweet Dreamzzz Inc. received a donation of \$3,831 from the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors on May 27.

The donation was raised at the WWOCAR annual bowling fund-raiser on May 6 at Merri-Bowl Lanes in Livonia to support Sweet Dreamzzz. The nearly \$4,000 raised will be used to educate elementary school aged children in southeast Michigan on the importance of sleep through the R.E.M. (Rest. Educate. Motivate.) Sleep Program, and to provide the at-

risk children with bedtime essentials.
"We are honored to be the recipient of this year's WWOCAR fund-raiser," said Nancy Maxwell, Sweet Dreamzzz executive director.

#### Investors

A program on How To Buy and Sell Property Faster and More Efficiently by Implementing Systems To Save Time and Make More Money. Presented by Brad Zitzner, sponsored by Real Estate Investors Association of Oakland on Thursday, June 11, at 5:30-9:30 p.m. at MSU Management Education Center, 811 W. Square Lake Road, Troy. Seminar free to members. \$20 nonmembers. Call (800) 747-6742. (www.REIAofOakland.com)

Come to discuss and learn about managing rental properties in an informal situation. Learn successful practices from seasoned landlords investing in this market. Next meeting on Saturday, June 13, 8:30-10 a.m., at Kirby's Coney Island, 43061 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills (Woodward at Square Lake). Sponsored by the Real Estate Investors Association of Oakland. Call (800) 747-6742 www. REIAofOakland.com (or e-mail Dale at dproulx16@hotmail.com).

Chamber kudos

Weir Manuel Realtors (WMR) announced that Lee Jaffke, team leader of the WMR Mobile Agent Center, was honored by the West Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce as the recipient of the "Excellence In Civic Leadership" award.

"Lee has tirelessly served his community for many years," said Kelly Sweeney, owner and CEO of Weir Manuel Realtors. "We are extremely proud of him. His leadership is exemplary and this honor couldn't have gone to a more deserving person."

Headquartered in Birmingham, Weir Manuel Realtors is a leading real estate company whose 150 professionals provide brokerage and property management services in Southeast Michigan.

#### BIA

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) presents Green Built™ Michigan Building Training on Tuesday, June 16, from 9 a.m. to noon at association headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills.

Chris Pratt of Construction and Development Services LLC presents great tips on making your homes more energy efficient, durable and environmentally sustainable. The importance of indoor air quality and low impact development will also be discussed.

The training is required for all builder members of Green Built™ Michigan. The cost is \$65 per member and \$85 for nonmembers of Green Built™ Michigan. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at www.builders.org.

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) presents Advanced Green Built™ Builder Training on Tuesday, June 16, from 1-4 p.m. at association headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills.

Chris Pratt of Construction and Development Services, LLC will present an in-depth course offering specific applicable building practices to build greener, better homes. Members of Green Built™ Michigan are strongly encouraged to attend.

The cost is \$85 per person for Green Built™ Michigan members and \$105 for nonmembers. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at www.builders. org.

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Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) and its Sales & Marketing Council (SMC) will present "Recession Proof Mini Boot Camp Sales Training" on Wednesday, June 24, from 8:30-10:30 a.m. at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills.

Dave Tear, "The Sales Coach" of Sale Coaches' Corner, will show participants how to stop letting the tough economy get them down. Participants will learn techniques to deal with the demand to lower prices, with canceled orders, with prospects' fear of spending money on products and services, and with feeling scared and/or desperate.

Registration fees are \$10 for SMC members, \$15 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members and \$25 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at www.builders.org.

Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) presents Green Built™ of Southeastern Michigan Introduction to Green Building on Wednesday, July 8, from 9-10:30 a.m. at Association Offices, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills.

Chris Pratt of Wake-Pratt
Construction discusses building with
materials and methods that result in

Green Built™ certification. Building Green offers a change from selling cost per square foot to making a positive environmental statement. This is the first in a series of five trainings.

The training is free for BIA members. For registration information, call (248) 862-1016 or register online at www.builders.org.

Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will host its "Macomb County Golf Spectacular" on Thursday, July 30, at the Cherry Greek Golf Club, 52000 Cherry Creek Drive (24 Mile and Van Dyke), Shelby Township.

The complete golf package includes: 18 holes of golf with a cart, lunch, drink tickets, dinner, hole-in-one and other golf contests, and door prizes. There will also be a 50/50 raffle. Note that this is a "spike-less" course.

Registration and a continental breakfast begin at 9 a.m. Golf begins with a shotgun start at 10 a.m. Steak dinner begins at 3 p.m.

Registration fees are \$125 for a complete golf package for BIA and Apartment Association of Michigan members, guests and nonmembers or \$45 for dinner only.

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## First-time buyers get a break

Q: I heard something about the Housing Assistance Tax Act of 2008, which is part of the larger Housing and Economic Recovery Act of 2008. Can you briefly give me some information about it?

A: As an incentive for people to buy instead of rent homes, the Housing Act provides that a first-time homebuyer can receive a temporary tax credit equal to 10 percent of the purchase of the home up to \$7,500. (The premise is \$3,750 for married persons filing



Robert Meisner

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cannot apply their tax credits toward their down payments. "First-time homebuyer" is anyone who has had no ownership interest in a principal residence during the three-year period immediately before the purchase of the new home. The tax credit phases out for single taxpayers with modified adjusted gross incomes (AGI) between \$75,000 and \$95,000, and married couples filing jointly with modified AGI between \$150,000 and \$175,000. There are additional modifications depending upon marital status and income. However, taxpayers who receive a credit under this provision must repay the tax credit albeit interest free. In fact, the tax credit is an interest free loan from the government. You are best advised to consult with an attorney concerning the full terms and conditions of this benefit.

Q: I am the president of a large condominium association with a professional management company and I wanted to bring your attention to a practice about which vou may not be aware. We have a long-standing attorney but the management company continues to tell us that the attorney is "too expensive" without explanation and that we should consider someone else they want because he/she can do the "same work for less." They have also been somewhat critical of this attorney's work and I am wondering if you have ever experienced anything like this and what your recommendation would

A: If you are satisfied with

the attorney that you have, you should keep him or her and, the fact that the management company is trying to look like a "hero" may either be altruistic on their part or may be a subtle or not so subtle attempt to steer you to another attorney with whom they have a closer and perhaps unsavory relationship. The fact that the management company apparently, unsolicited, is attempting to steer you to another attorney who can do "the same work' should speak for itself and you may be best advised to talk to your attorney who may have other recommendations concerning a more professional and ethical management company. Remember, hiring an attorney is not like buying the same refrigerator from one store as opposed to another.

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

#### HOMES SOLD-OAKLAND

These are the Observer & Eccentric-area residential real estate closings recorded the week of March 2-6, 2009, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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|   | 1323 Collier Rd            | \$68,000     |
|   | Beverly Hills              | \$00,000     |
|   | 17300 Birwood Ave          | \$162,000    |
|   | Birmingham                 |              |
|   | 2676 Dorchester Rd         | \$200,000    |
|   | 1672 Humphrey Ave          | \$150,000    |
|   | 1055 N Old Woodward Ave    | \$105,000    |
|   | 1447 Old Salem Ct          | \$580,000    |
|   | 900 Puritan Ave            | \$473,000    |
|   | 1233 Shipman Blvd          | \$300,000    |
|   | 1436 Washington Blvd       | \$325,000    |
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|   | 5799 Blandford Ct          | \$160,000    |
|   | 3720 Burning Tree Dr       | \$315,000    |
|   | 1236 Marymar Ln            | \$200,000    |
|   | 676 Upper Scotsborough Way | \$150,000    |
|   | 310 Wadsworth Ln           | \$210,000    |
|   | 190 Woodedge Dr            | \$158,000    |
|   | Clarkston                  |              |
|   | 9570 Cornell Ave           | \$30,000     |
|   | 6928 Oakhurst Ridge Rd     | \$365,000    |
|   | 5457 Old Cove Rd           | \$134,000    |
|   | 4860 Pine Knob Ln          | \$170,000    |

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| 2841 Augusta Dr       | \$225,000                               | 30  |
| 4824 Triwood Dr       | \$258,000                               | 34  |
| Farmington            |   |     |
| 34296 Conroy Ct       | \$175,000                               | 611 |
| 32718 Grand River Ave | \$49,000                                |     |
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| 22538 Colgate St      | \$20,000                                | 15  |
| 21205 Prestwick       | \$300,000                               |     |
| 24746 Springbrook Dr  | \$208,000                               | 64  |
| 32013 W 12 Mile Rd    | \$15,000                                | 49  |
| 29915 W 13 Mile Rd    | \$167,000                               | 22  |
| Lathrup Village       |   | 15  |
| 18880 Lincoln Dr      | \$37,000                                | 68  |
| Milford               |   | 25  |
| 2215 Lone Tree Rd     | \$230,000                               |     |
| Northville            |   | 21  |
| 1218 Charleston Ct    | \$115,000                               | 25  |
| 292 Ely Road          | \$187,000                               | 28  |
| 943 Whitegate Dr      | \$315.000                               |     |
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| 30762 Ardmore Ct      | \$102,000                               | 34  |
| 22264 Chase Dr        | \$375,000                               | 62  |
| 1300 E Lake Dr        | \$302,000                               | 47  |
| 40422 Guilford        | \$202,000                               | 34  |
| 24981 Newberry Dr     | \$205,000                               |     |
| Oxford                |   | 63  |
| 1960 W Drahner Rd     | \$450,000                               | 52  |
| Rochester Hills       |   | 39  |
| 1175 Chaffer Dr       | \$265,000                               | 510 |
| 2826 Culbertson Ave   | \$155,000                               | 318 |
| 1449 Galena           | \$140,000                               | - 5 |
| 1848 Homestead Ct     | \$290,000                               | 32  |
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| 946 Maidstone Dr               | \$277,000 |
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| 3087 Primrose Dr               | \$190,000 |
| 3463 Talbert Cir               | \$53,000  |
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| 61166 Greenwood Dr             | \$70,000  |
| Southfield                     |           |
| 17331 Avilla Blvd              | \$51,000  |
| 15560 Mount Vernon St          | \$23,000  |
| Troy                           |           |
| 6408 Canmoor Dr                | \$240,000 |
| 4914 Flower Hill Dr            | \$450,000 |
| 2258 Hempstead Dr              | \$101,000 |
| 1592 Lakewood Dr               | \$156,000 |
| 6830 Limerick Ln               | \$215,000 |
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| 3491 Coseyburn Rd              | \$176,000 |
| 6214 Grace K Dr                | \$105,000 |
| 4719 Kempf St                  | \$135,000 |
| 341 Lake Forest Dr             | \$128,000 |
| West Bloomfield                |           |
| 6365 Country Shire Ln          | \$270,000 |
| 5293 Green Rd                  | \$262,000 |
| 3925 Lone Pine Rd              | \$35,000  |
| 5167 Patrick Rd                | \$170,000 |
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| 20040 Hubbard St                                    | \$192,000            |
| 35415 Leon St                                       | \$140,000            |
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| 34218 Frances St                                    | \$75,000             |
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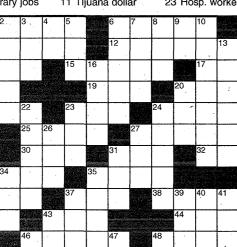
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Fun By The **Numbers** 

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

Level: Beginne

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

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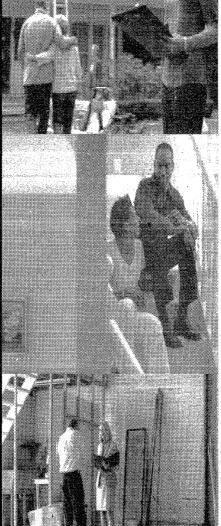
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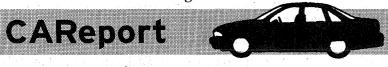
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## General Motors Is Still Good at Going Green

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By Dale Buss

As it adjusts to its new ownership structure, General Motors continues to leverage its residual technological prowess and industrial might in an effort to leapfrog rivals to the forefront of greenvehicle deployment worldwide.

Having fielded several new conventional hybrids, for example, GM is attempting to establish the pole position in plug-in hybrids with the upcoming Chevrolet Volt. The company hopes to salvage its investment in ethanol powertrains largely through its ties with two leaders in cellulosic-ethanol development.

And while GM is continues a global experimentation with hydrogen fuel cells, for the very long term, it also is redoubling its push behind "old-fashioned" green techniques such as aerodynamic design.

The 2011 Volt, based on a power pack made by LG Chem of South Korea, is supposed to catapult GM back to global pre-eminence in green technology as its lithium-ion batteries sustain a 40-mile electric-only range. It has been repeatedly pointed out by Obama administration officials as the kind of car that automakers "should" be manufacturing because of its environmental credentials.

Meanwhile, GM also has been stepping up its efforts to squeeze more mileage out of existing vehicles. It has hybridized much of its fleet, ranging from the Chevrolet Malibu to "two-mode" versions

of its large SUVs and trucks that provide. a power boost as much as extra mileage. By 2012, it plans to have a total of 15 hybrid models on the roads.

Even conventional powertrains are getting reworked. During the height of the gas-price spike last year, Chevrolet already was proud to boast a half-dozen vehicles that achieved at least 30 mpg on the highway. The new Chevrolet Equinox crossover gets 32 mpg on the highway, and the new compact Cruze should post mileage in the high 30s or low 40s. And for 2010, GM plans to have 18

North American models that feature direct-injection technology, which consumes less fuel, generates more power and produces fewer emissions than otherwise. The models include the all-new, five-passenger GMC Terrain as well as the Buick LaCrosse, Chevy Camaro and redesigned Cadillac SRX.

GM also continues to strive for incremental fuel-efficiency gains in other areas, such as reducing weight, optimizing the integration of various vehicle systems, and improving aerodynamics.

"We're trying to do a better job of making components work together within the system so that we can reduce parasitic loads on the vehicle to take advantage of the energy that we have," explained Charles Klein, GM's director of global energy, mass and aerodynamics. Aerodynamics also is offering renewed



GM has grabbed the industry's top spot in powerful hybrids like this 2009

opportunity. True, it's a musty term from the Seventies. But now the circumstances, and expectations, have changed. So GM is hauling back out its focus on aerodynamics. Klein said GM now believes that it can achieve "significant improvement" again in the .3 to .36 coefficient of drag that most of the industry's sedans now carry.

One area of most opportunity, he said, is vehicle underbodies. Using a technique called Computational Fluid Dynamics, Klein explained, GM has been able to identify new areas to minimize drag, for example, on the closeout panel beneath the front fascia. And hybrid vehicles often allow a reduction in the size of the grille opening, which also cuts drag.

Hydrogen fuel cells are another area where GM's internationalization is paying benefits. GM still believes that this technology will provide the best long-term solution for reducing emissions and cutting petroleum dependency, and it has invested more than \$1 billion to date in fuel-cell R&D. Nowadays, GM is testing 100 fuel-cell powered Chevrolet Equinox units around the world to gauge performance and customer experience.

And it has launched a demonstration program with Shanghai Automotive Industry Corp., adapting the Equinox system for 10 Shanghai brand vehicles.

GM also is studying the feasibility of non-food-based biofuels in China. The country already is the world's thirdlargest ethanol producer, behind the U.S. and Brazil, getting most of the fuel from wood waste, energy crops and other cellulosic sources gathered from marginal

power is an American-based opportunity and challenge. Attempting to recreate the success that former GM CEO Rick Wagoner and executive colleagues had in turning Brazil into a strong ethanol market from sugar cane, GM has spent the last decade establishing corporate predominance in vehicles that operate on corn-based ethanol in the United States.

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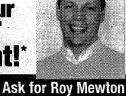
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248-348-6430 Absolutely Gorgeous Fairways Colonial 10+14 BR/3.5 BA. Kit w/maple cabs, granite, ss appls, tile bksplash. Prof fin bsmt w/theater, rec rm, BA, bedrm, wet bar. Too many upgrades to list! Must see!



248-851-4100 WELCOME HOME! 4 BR, 2.1 bath brick contemporary features 2 story foyer, French doors to library, large granite island kitchen w/breakfast rm, & great rm. Fantastic deck & yard.



734-591-9200 So much for money. Short sale approval. Orig own, new bit col w/upgrds. New fin bsmt w/wet bar, full bth & egress window. Roof replace 07. Furn & CA 4 yrs old. Heat gar, 2 story LR w/skylghts. Much more



734-591-9200 Loc on a low traff cul-de-sac street, freshly



734-455-7000 LOOK NO MORE! Lovely 3BR/2.1 BA condo, backs to woods. Great rm w/cath. ceil., maple/corian kitchen, hardwood flrs, gas FP, deck,...&



248-348-6430 Canton Fantastic First Floor Ranch. Open flrpIn w/high ceilings. Hdwd thru most. Kit w/maple cab's & crown molding. MSTR bed w/full ba & wic. Across from park. Gar w/storage & private (29064899) \$69,000



248-684-1065 Clarkston Wonderful site condo w/ 2 BR and 2 full BA up and BR/full BA in Fin W/O bsmt, GR w/ FP. Association fee includes yard, street maint,



Commerce Twp 248-348-6430 This Home Is An Entertainer's Delight! Beautiful Cod on 1.5 acres, 1st FLR MSTR suite, Oak w/a bar & game area. Gorgeous views of wooded state land.



A Must See-Completely renovatd bungalow Updts include wind, roof, driveway, gar siding, plumb/elect. Refin hard/wd firs, new kit cabs (29062745) \$119,900



Genoa Twp CONDO LIVING AT ITS FINEST! 2 BR/2BA condo. \$100,000



248-437-3800 Open Sunday 12-2:30 pm 2 story home in sought after Windcrest sub. Home features 4 bedrooms, 2.1 baths, partially finished W/O LL. Treed backyard.



248-437-3800 Spacious Ranch! Freshly painted inside & out. New gutters & trim. New furnace. Gorgeous newer hardwood floors in bedrooms. Plank flooring in Irg open country kit. w/bfst bar.



248-437-3800 Go Back In Time! Charming 2 story home w/ large front pillarded porch. Private back yard w/mature trees. Lrg kitchen area w/door wall to deck. Part. fin. bsmt., 2.5 car garage.



Hartland 248-684-1065 Super 3 BR, 2.5 BA Ranch in great neighborhood w/ Hartland schools. Lrg MBR: vaulted ceiling, ceramic BA. GR: FP, skylight, door to deck. Fin



Highland 248-684-1065 Beautiful home on private 2 acre freed lot. Horses allowed. Walk to downtown Milford. FR and GR w/ gas FR, doorwall to deck. Neutral



Beautifully maintained 2-BR ranch w/ lake access to Spring Lake and all-sports Crotched Lake. 3-car garage & separate heated workroom. Wooded lot.



248-348-6430 Livonia Custom Builder's Home w/Open Floor Plan Over 2500 sq ft, 4 bedroom + play/sew room upstairs. 24x24 attached garage. Great room with sky lites & fireplace. Private 0.4 acre & shed 10x20 w/slab & elec.



734-591-9200 Livonia Beaut & Sunny open floor plan ranch. 4 BR 2 Updtd kit w/pergo firs, fam rm/4 season sun rm. 2 car side entry gar w/work area. Walk dist to playgrnd & daycare



Madison Heights 248-348-6430 Impeccably Maintained 3 Bed 2 Bath Ranch Desirable area w/Lamphere Schools. Roof 3 yrs old, furnace 5 yrs. New Thermal windows, fin'd basement has 2nd kit & cedar closet. Workshop exterior maint free.



Milford 248-684-1065 Shows like a model! On 3 park-like acres w/ pond & fountain. Upgrades galore! Granite kit, SS appl, maple firs, formal DR, lib 2/ FP, MBR,



248-684-1065 3,411 sq. ft. ranch on 4+ wooded acres close to Kensington Park. Huge pole barn, built-in swimming pool, super condition & waiting for



248-684-1065 Home with 3.9 acres. First floor laundry. Unfinished basement. Two car attached garage with side entry. Dining, living and family rooms.



Milford 248-684-1065 On 2.5 wooded acres. Hdwd firs. Designer Thomasville hickory, granite & slate kit. 22x16 cedar deck. Covered front porch. New SS appls. 27x20 mstr. Lg WIC. W/O.



Milford 248-684-1065 Spectacular historic home w/ recent updates. GR, LR, FDR, Office/BR. Island kit w/ lots of natural light. Great location. Walk to town.



Milford 248-684-1065 Great location-walk to downtown! Open flr plan, cath. ceilings, ceramic fir in kit w/ snack bar, all appl. stay. DR w/ doorwall to deck. Or lease at \$1000/Mo.!



Milford Dramatic brownstone end unit condo. High and carpet firs. Balc. off oak kit/all appl incl. Walk to town.



248-208-2900 Monroe Awesome brick home! Tastefully decorated 4 bdrm, 2.5 bath tudor home. Updated kit, newer



248-348-6430 Northville Welcome Home! From The Grand Front Entry to the eat-in kitchen with granite, maple cabinets, island & bar. Stamped concrete deck & wooded



Northville This Is The Deal Of Northville. 4B Ranch Even the white picket fence. Updated kit w/oak cabs. Pergo, carpet, appls, windows, AC, generator new! Fin w/o w/FR & nat frplc. Walk to school.



248-348-6430 Northville Sharp, Clean, Three Bedroom Condo Fp in family/dining rm. Access to I-275 & dwtwn Northville. Assoc. includes: gas, water/sewer, ext. insur, maintenance, pool, tennis, &



Everything Has Been Done For You! Popular Elkton model. 5 beds each w/bath. Gourmet kit w/ S.S. appls. Huge island. 2 story family rm. Dual staircases. Library w/custom shelves. Hrdwd throughout.



248-348-6430 Imagine Owning This Beautiful Home Accent on details, hdwd fir highlights kit & brkfst area, FR w/vaulted ceiling, elegant LR & DR, lib, nice mstr, extra wide 2 car garage, patio



248-348-6430 Bright & Cheery Gem! 4BR/2.5BA. Lg kit w/ Corian, HDWD, island, upgraded appli's. GR W/FP. Lib w/French doors. Newer Andersen windows & slider. Prof fin bsmt. True mstr



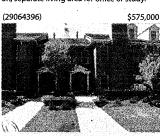
248-348-6430 Beautiful 2 Story Condo 1,936 sq ft of comfortable condo living! Charming KIT, elegant 2 sty DR, den w/bay window, lg mstr, daylight basement, 2 car att'd side entry



Great Price on This Novi 3 BR Condo! Open floor plan, nice sized rooms, unfinished LL. All apps stay. Assn fee includes gas and water. Sidewalks, pool, tennis courts and clubhouse. Great valuel



248-437-3800 Pinckney Spacious Home On 15 Acres. With pond, woods and wildlife. New custom 1st floor hardwood floors, new kitchen in progress. F/R fireplace, 4 BR, separate living area for office or study.



248-437-3800 **Pittsfield Twp** Sharp Move In Ready Condo! Modern floor plan offering a giant master suite w/trey ceilings & a giant WIC, a 2nd bedroom suite w/private bath,



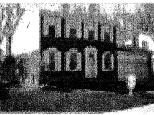
248-348-6430 **Plymouth** Home features a kit w/cherry cabs, granite & island. FR W/fpl, DR w/butler pantry, Lib w/french drs, mstr ste w/deep spa, DBL WIC. LL w/wet bar & ample storage. Cedar deck & (28085400) \$435,000



734-455-7000 Plymouth LUCKY YOU!... There's a Plymouth Beacon Estates Colonial just listed 'n likely to knock your sox off! 3000 sq ft deliciously updated on superb lot! Be looking for you!



734-591-9200 Plymouth Spacious Ranch in Deer Creek; Very Open Fir Plan. Lg kit & BFT rm; all kit appls stay; Grt Rm w/FP & D/W o Ig deck. Mstr BR w/BA has roll-in shower. Home has handicap access w/ramp from gar to bsmt.



GET AWAY FROM IT ALL - RELAX POOLSIDE 3BR/1.5 BA Williamsburg colonial complete w/nicely appointed upgrades --eat-in kit w/oak cabs, Ig liv rm, din rm, FR w/FP, spacious mstr ste & partly fin bsmt.



734-455-7000 WOW! ENJOYTHIS GREAT COMMUNITY! A great well-maintained home in Plymouth! Newer roof & HWH. Open flr plan. Fireplace in family bsmt. Home Warranty!



**Plymouth** 248-348-6430 Best Value In Plymouth! Great Neighbors Newer kit, wndws, ba, 2-level deck/patio, fin'd bsmt. Near M-14, dwtwn Plymouth & Hilltop Golf. Assoc. includes: pool, clubhouse, gas, water, sewer, & trash. (29068307)



Redford 734-591-9200 Wonderful 3 BR rch. Seller is currently having all hardwood floors refinished. Newer light fixtures & 3 ceil fans. Newer Wallside windows in LV and Anderson the rest. Furn 97, Cop plum.



734-455-7000 BRICK RANCH ON HUGE, PRIVATE, TREED LOT! Loaded w/updates & too many features to list. Great home for everyday living & entertaining. Newer drive & walkway. 24x13 deck. 20x20 patio. Fin bsmt. 24x24 gar.



734-455-7000 Redford "CAPE COD" CLASSIC! Top of the line move-in shape brick 3BR "Cape Cod" in quiet, wooded setting. Redone kitchen, BA, windows, roof, furn, & much more! All appl., like new. Awesome!



734-455-7000 Salem GORGEOUS SECLUDED ESTATE!! Fabulous Cape Cod on Nature's finest 3.5 acres. High-end custom builder's personal home filled with quality and attention to detail. The best of everything!!!



248-437-3800 Salem Charming Farmhouse Lots of class put into this charming farmhouse in quaint downtown Salem. Inviting front porch and large yard. Huge kitchen with lots of natural light.



Don't Miss this Beautiful Ranch Home! Home features living rm w/lrg front window, family rm w/fp, hardwood flooring and door wall leading to deck., kitchen and dining area w/bay window. On Lrg lot. (29051162) \$169,900



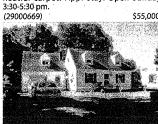
Just Listed...Take A Closer Look! This house is perfection plus! Enjoy total privacy in back yard w/heated pool & backing to a park-nature setting. Many updates. Finished bsmt w/bar. A MUST SEE!



Just Listed! Take a closer look at this all brick ranch hm. Brand new carpeting in large living rm w/dining area. Spacious kitchen w/eating area was remodeled 05. Quick Occ.



248-437-3800 Best Price & Location! 55+ complex. Well kept end unit by woods. View of lake in front. New paint, light fixt, kit sink, faucet/disp. Newer neutral carpet. Appl stay. Open Sunday 3:30-5:30 pm.



Southfield 248-208-2900 Extra large lot! Nice 4 bdrm, 1.5 bath home. 1 car attached garage. Located on one of the largest lots in the area.



Taylor 248-208-2900 Super Price! Roomy 4 bdrm home, Bonus room



Walled Lake Well maintained and updated condo! HDWD firs on entry level. Natural FP in cathedral



248-684-1065 Waterford Spacious 1852 sq. ft. home on .62 wooded lot w/ access on private all-sports Watkins Lake Open fir plan. Maple kit. GR w/ FP & walkout! 2



734-284-5400 Wayne WELCOME HOME Move right in! All repairs have been done. Great Open Floor Plan. 3 BD, 2 full baths. Open Kitchen & nook, master ste w/

(29048440)



734-284-5400 Westland ROOMY 3 BEDROOM COLONIAL Large LR w/formal DR. Modern kitchen & dinette. FR w/ gas FP & cathedral ceiling. 2 doorwalls leading to 2 tiered deck. Skylights in Master. Part fin \$134,900 (29056702)



248-851-1900 Westland REDUCED! MOVE-IN READY, LIVONIA SCHOOLS Updated. Freshly painted, newer carpet, newer oak kitchen cabinets w/all appl. included. Large bedrooms. Newer vinyl windows. Finished bsmt. 1 car garage. Well located. \$59,900



734-455-7000 **Wolverine Lake** WOLVERINE LAKE ACCESS! New windows, roof, furnace, A/C, well & water softener. Fresh paint. Basement, attached garage & more! Move-in ready!

\$129,900

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