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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: Basket Kreations; Bohemian Home; Brass & Iron Bed Shop; Core Sport Pilates Studio; Gabriela's; Gigi's Mode; Hands on Leather; Haven; Jill Andra Young Photography; Magnolia — A Fresh Flower Market; Michigan Made & More; Parkside Gallery; Pennington Gallery, RSVP, sideways, Spa Julianna, The Candy Trail, Venture Kitchen and Bath; Vic's Mart- All Things Purses.

Newspaper veteran to head DDA

Former Observer reporter Tony Bruscato joins the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority.



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BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

After years of reporting the news from Plymouth, Tony Bruscato is getting a chance to make some news.

A reporter for the *Plymouth Observer* for more than a decade, Bruscato has been picked to lead the city's Downtown Development Authority. He is expected to begin the job, which is formally called operations director, before the end of the month.

Bruscato, 55, will replace Sherrie Pryor, who ended a nearly three-year stint as operations director last month. The DDA, founded in

the 1980s, works to improve central Plymouth, and bring in visitors and shoppers, through marketing, special events and physical projects such as streetscape beautification.

City Manager Paul Sincock, who made the job offer with the approval of the DDA board, said Bruscato's familiarity with downtown business people, and the city overall and the way city government operates, will be a big advantage as he leads downtown improvement efforts.

"We're really excited about Tony," Sincock said Monday. "We think he's going to be a tremendous asset to our DDA."

Sincock said Bruscato has a lot of

respect and "street credibility" in the community, and that he maintained good relations with city officials even though his work as a reporter sometimes put them at odds with him. Bruscato's reporting was fair and consistent, he said.

Bruscato will have big challenges on his plate when he starts at the DDA, Sincock said, including working against a recessionary economy that's hit Michigan hard, plus a major maintenance project at the central parking deck, and planned streetscape updates.

Bruscato said his new role in

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Graduate gratitude

Salem High School seniors search the stands for friends and relatives during the school's 2009 commencement ceremony at Eastern Michigan University. For a complete list of the graduates and more photos, please turn to Page A6, and look for the photo gallery on our Web site at www.hometownlife.com

Plymouth city manager gets positive review

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Plymouth City Manager Paul Sincock has won high marks from his supervisors on the Plymouth City Commission.

Tight finances, though, mean no raises for Sincock or any other nonunion Plymouth employee

this year. Department heads voluntarily agreed not to accept raises about two months ago as they put together a budget for the next fiscal year.

Commissioners met in a brief closed session Monday to discuss Sincock's annual evaluation, then emerged with a glowing assessment of the man who handles the

city's day-to-day operations for them.

"We as a commission thank Paul and are very grateful to have him as a city manager," said Commissioner Stella Greene.

Of 21 categories describing overall knowledge, leadership, teamwork, management ability, budget-making ability and

more, commissioners' grades for Sincock averaged "very good" or better in 19 of them. That included perfect scores — meaning "outstanding" — in three categories: budgeting skills, self-management and professional knowledge.

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Grant to provide art therapy for local grieving children

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

An area nonprofit that helps bereaved people of all ages is redoubling its support for children with the help of a \$3,000 grant from the Plymouth Community United Way.

Circles of Hope for KIDZ and Teens, part of the Northville-based New Hope Center for Grief Support, plans to use part of the recent gift for an art therapy program at Creatopia in downtown Plymouth.

"Art therapy is helpful, especially with children — expressing their emotions," said John O'Shaughnessy, New Hope

Center's fund development director. "We want to do more for our young ones."

Participants will be painting ceramic piece of their choosing — a mug, say, or a vase — at Creatopia on Tuesday, June 23, and the studio will later bake the pieces to make the designs permanent before the children pick them up. O'Shaughnessy said he hopes to get to the point at which participants are making as well as decorating their own ceramics.

Part of the money will also be used for staff training, O'Shaughnessy said.

Circles of Hope for KIDZ and Teens is a support group

for children ages 3 to 18 who have lost a loved one. The group typically meets twice a month.

Marie Morrow, the Plymouth Community United Way president, said New Hope is providing a much-needed service.

"We're happy to help them support this program," Morrow said. "We had nobody that was actually providing that type of program" in the Plymouth Canton area, she added.

"It was a wonderful donation and we're very appreciative of the United Way for doing that," O'Shaughnessy said.

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

Tour of hope

New Hope Center for Grief Support is offering a one-hour Tour of Hope in their new home at 315 Griswold in Northville.

This tour will give insight into how New Hope was started, the types of grief support services they offer, testimonials from people who have been helped, and the vision of the future from the founder and CEO, Cathy Clough of Plymouth.

Tour dates include 9 a.m. June 19; 5 p.m. July 15; 9 a.m. Aug. 21; 6:30 p.m. Sept. 16; and 9 a.m. Oct. 16.

To attend one of the tours, RSVP to New Hope at (248) 348-0115 or e-mail griefhelp@newhopecenter.net.

Cheer clinic

The Canton High School Summer "Kids Cheerleading Clinic" takes place 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, June 22, with check-in at 8:30 a.m. in the Canton cafeteria.

The clinic is open to kids ages kindergarten through eighth grade. Kids should wear comfortable shorts, gym shoes and sun screen and bring a water bottle. Cost is \$50, which includes clinic, lunch, snack/drink and a Canton Cheer sports bag.

Registration deadline is June 10. For information on the clinic and how to register, call (734) 765-1998 or e-mail carriers @comcast.net, or call (734) 397-3766 or e-mail cdruckenmiller@gpworldwide.com

Spotlight auditions

The Spotlight Players are getting ready to present *Oliver*, written by Lionel Bart and directed by Barbara Bloom.

Auditions take place Sunday, July 12 (for youth up to age 16). Registration begins at 4:30 p.m. Auditions for all adult roles (age 16 and over) are Monday, July 13, and Tuesday, July 14, registration each night begins at 6:30 p.m. Performance dates are September 18-20, 25-27 at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 504300 Cherry Hill in Canton.

Follow Oliver, an orphan, from the workhouse of his birth to an upper class neighborhood in London and meet all the strange, wicked, miserly and nice people that enter his life including Fagin, Nancy and the Artful Dodger through wonderful songs and a light hearted approach to a very dark Dickens tale.

For more information contact (734) 480-4945 and leave a message for Barbara Bloom and visit www.spotlightplayersmi.org.

Corriveau hours

State Representative Marc



Pet adoptions

To help the Michigan Humane Society find loving families for homeless animals, US-Mattress will host a dog and cat adoption event on Saturday, June 20, at its retail showroom, located at 1087 Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth. The event will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. During the event, potential adopters can also learn more about "Sleep Well," an ongoing program and partnership between the Michigan Humane Society and US-Mattress, one of the largest mattress retailers in the Midwest. The purpose of the program is two-fold: to deliver the perfect night's sleep to people and pets alike, and to positively impact animals who are currently without a home, or in an abusive or neglectful situation. To generate a \$100 donation to MHS for each mattress you purchase, simply mention "MHS" at the US-Mattress retail showroom, or enter the coupon code "MHS" when purchasing online from www.us-mattress.com. You'll also receive free shipping on your online mattress order. For more information about the adoption event, call the Michigan Humane Society at 1-866-MHUMANE, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., or visit www.michiganhumane.org.

Corriveau (D-Northville) invites residents to talk with him about any issues or concerns during his new office hours.

Corriveau's new office hour schedule is set to begin on July 6. He will hold office hours on the following times and locations:

- 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady St., in Northville
- 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Wayne City Hall, 3355 S. Wayne Road
- 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main St., in Plymouth
- 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at 129 W. Liberty St. in Plymouth

Corriveau also holds coffee hours and other events throughout the 20th District to talk with as many residents as possible about any issues or concerns. If your busi-

ness or organization would like to schedule an event with Corriveau, please contact his office toll-free at (877) 20TH-REP, or send an e-mail to MarcCorriveau@house.mi.gov.

Crafters wanted

The Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters (PCMB) is hosting its Annual Holiday Arts and Crafts Ensemble on Saturday, November 21, 2009. Exhibitors who hand-craft their own items are invited to submit an application to exhibit at the fundraising event to be held at Plymouth High School in Canton, Mich. The juried art event is produced twice each year by the PCMB to help support the band and color guard programs at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park. Artists and crafters who are

interested in applying for consideration to exhibit should visit www.pcmb.net/artcraft to download an application and submit with photos by June 26th for the first wave of jurying. For more details, contact exhibit coordinator Carol Rosati at 734-455-0714. Only 100 exhibitors will be permitted to exhibit at this artistic event. Over the last four years, over 7000 attendees have visited the PCMB Arts & Craft Ensembles.

"The Arts & Craft Ensembles are two of the most successful fundraisers we host each year," stated Dennis Carnevale, president of the 2009 Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters. "The money raised helps the Concert and Marching Bands, Color Guard and Percussion programs that provide students with a one of a kind arts experience. Our craft shows have built a reputation for being some of the best run arts and craft events in the area."

Plymouth High School is located at 8400 Beck Road in Canton, Mich. The Holiday Arts & Craft Ensemble will be held from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Nov. 21. In addition to over 100 exhibits, there will be food, a raffle, and entertainment by local musicians and artists throughout the day. Admittance is \$2.

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, 13,000-year-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 Lakes.

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.

MANAGER

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In the remaining two categories, interpersonal skills and representing the city, Sincock missed the "very good" mark by a few decimal points.

Sincock said he welcomes such evaluations and sees them as good management tools. "It's a time for the commission to come together and get everybody on the same path and move forward," he said.

He stressed his good grades are a reflection of the efforts of his department heads and all employees, not just his own work.

"Running the city is definitely a team sport," Sincock said. "This takes a good group of people to make our operations what they are."

Commissioner Gerald Sabatini agreed. "He has a great staff. There's great teamwork there," Sabatini said.

Sabatini said Sincock is always conscious of budget constraints, and that the city staff continues to maintain services despite cost-cutting, and keeps a lookout for even more chances to save money.

In a recessionary economy, Sabatini said, keeping city services going has been even more difficult, but Sincock and his staff have come through. The irony, he noted, is that although they're doing a great job with fewer people, there's no money for pay raises that would reward them for that.

Sincock is currently paid just over \$100,000 a year.

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DDA

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Plymouth is a sort of homecoming.

"It's a place that I've really come to enjoy," he said.

He doesn't expect to come in and make wholesale changes at the DDA. He said he sees his primary mission as helping downtown Plymouth business become and stay successful, and that he's looking forward to the challenges.

"Sherrie and John (Buzuvis, the assistant operations director) have been doing a really good job and set the bar high," Bruscato said.

Despite the general recession, and struggles at some businesses, downtown Plymouth is on the whole flourishing, Bruscato said, and is more successful than many small downtowns in Detroit-area communities.

Bruscato lives in Canton Township. He was a reporter at the *Canton Observer*, after being transferred from the Plymouth beat earlier this year, when he was among more than three dozen employees laid off from the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*, owned by Gannett Co., in late May.

Bruscato said he has a lot of personal ties in Plymouth and is grateful for the many expressions of support he received, both when he was transferred to Canton and later when he was laid off.

His compensation as DDA operations director will be \$53,000 a year plus benefits.

Bruscato can be heard giving traffic reports on radio station WJR; he works part time for Metro Networks, which provides radio stations with traffic reporting services.

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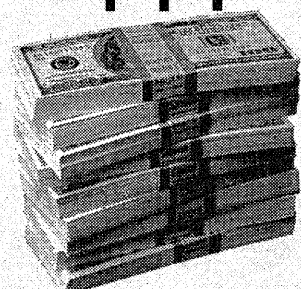
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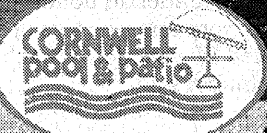
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New additions add to festival lineup

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Visitors to the 2009 Canton Liberty Fest are going to be dazzled by all the usual events: the spaghetti dinner, the pancake breakfast, the International Festival, the parade and, of course, the fireworks display.

But Canton Township Recreation Specialist Jennifer Provenzano says organizers are even more excited about the new and exciting things at this year's festival.

According to Provenzano, some of the highlights include:

- Canton Kitchen Stadium activities on Saturday, including new cook-offs and interactive demonstrations.
- The Plymouth-Canton Kiwanis Club Goes "Hog Wild for Kids," with pulled-pork sandwiches and sides for \$5.
- An "Adult Beverage Tent" will serve Jimmy Buffett-inspired summer cocktails from 7-10 p.m. next to the Canton Live Stage while "Air Margaritaville" performs on Friday and on Saturday from 5-10 p.m. "Oktoberfest"-inspired beverages will be served to those 21 and older



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

There will be plenty for kids to do when Liberty Fest returns to Canton this weekend.

while The Alpiners perform the music of Bavaria.

- There are big additions to the Family Zone, including more rides, games and attractions, sky-high performances by the Flying Wallenda family and the IGX Interactive Gaming Area (Wii, Playstation, etc.) including a Guitar Hero Tournament
- Celebrating Canton's 175th anniversary as a township

(special activities/signs throughout the park will pay tribute to Canton's history), the Canton Historical Museum will be open and an "old-fashioned shuttle" (carriage ride) will take visitors there from the park and back.

"We could probably go on all day about everything exciting happening at this year's Liberty Fest," Provenzano said. "A lot of people dedi-

cate months of energy and enthusiasm to make the event enjoyable for the whole community. We're always honored to be a part of such an incredible tradition and hope that Canton residents will officially kick off their summers with us and come out to enjoy the weekend with their families, neighbors and friends."

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Free forum aims at melanoma education

A free melanoma forum created in honor of the late Plymouth-Canton freshman volleyball coach, Kim Renzi, has been scheduled for 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, June 23, at the Comfort Suites in Wixom.

Renzi, who lost a battle with melanoma, inspired efforts to teach others how to protect skin from sun and other toxins, particularly during summer months.

The forum has been scheduled in the large meeting room of Comfort Suites, 28049 S. Wixom Road near I-96. Speakers are to include Dr. Mark Naftanel, chief resident in dermatology, and Dr. Christopher Lao, assistant clinical professor of oncology and hematology, both from the University of Michigan Health Systems in Ann Arbor; Su Benteley and Sandra K., natural skin care specialists and motivational writers/speak-

ers; and Roben Coury, 2002 graduate of the U.S. School of Naturopathy.

Topics for discussion are to include identifying melanoma; the difference between melanoma and skin cancer; stages of melanoma; new treatment options; how the disease can spread to other organs; and genetic predisposition.

Other topics include how to safely protect skin from the sun and toxic chemicals; how the skin absorbs chemicals; the important of a pH balanced body; being empowered to live healthy; and a holistic approach to melanoma treatment.

Seating for the forum is limited. Those who want to attend must register at www.kimsklub.com (see the "contact us" link) or by calling Leslie Garoufalos, account manager for Royal Oak-based Titan Benefit Communications LLC, at (248) 953-0884.

Township vacant building ordinance on the way

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The owners of vacant buildings in Plymouth Township would have to register them with officials, maintain the grounds and allow interior inspections during emergencies under a proposal on its way to adoption.

The township Board of Trustees on June 9 approved a first reading of the so-called vacant property ordinance with a 6-0 vote (trustee Kay Arnold was absent). A second reading is scheduled for the board's Tuesday, June 23, meeting, and the ordinance would take effect shortly after that approval, which is expected.

Applicable to any vacant building in the township, the

proposal is aimed mainly at vacant houses, said Supervisor Richard Reaume. The recession and the real estate crisis haven't left the township with the number of home vacancies seen in other Detroit suburbs, but officials want to stay ahead of the curve, Reaume said.

Officials estimate there are between 50 and 60 vacant homes in the township. In comparison, an October 2008 survey in Redford Township found more than 400 vacant homes there.

"It's not a huge number," Reaume said of the vacancies, "but it's important to their neighbors ... it's important to their neighborhood."

Reaume said officials want lenders who have taken pos-

session of foreclosed homes to "be responsible" and keep the properties up to community standards. Township attorney Tim Cronin said an increasing number of area communities have adopted such ordinances.

The township's ordinance would:

- Require the owners of properties that become vacant to register them with the building department within 30 days. The owners of currently vacant properties would have 30 days to register them once the ordinance takes effect.

Reaume said registration will inform the township of the parties responsible for vacant properties, and provide a contact in case of a building problem or public safety issue.

- Mandate basic yard maintenance, including grass height of no more than six inches. The township would be allowed to send landscaping contractors to properties that owners have failed to maintain, and add the cost to the property tax bill.

- Allow for interior inspections in some circumstances, such as when a major water leak is suspected. The township would also have the right to have buildings secured when, for example, a broken window or door is not addressed by the owner.

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Dealership hit by rash of break-ins

A Plymouth Township auto dealership was hit hard by break-ins one night last week, when stereo and navigation systems were stolen from eight different vehicles.

The five Lincoln MXKs and three Mercury Mountaineers at Hines Park Lincoln Mercury, on Hines Drive, each had a window broken out, a Plymouth Township Police Department report said. The equipment was ripped from the dashboard of each vehicle, police said.

A dealership employee discovered one break-in early Friday morning; when an officer arrived to take a report, the two searched the lot and found that seven additional vehicles had been broken into, police said.

Cigs swiped

A man stole two cartons of cigarettes from a township drug store Saturday afternoon after distracting the cashier by asking for a cigar.

The shoplifting occurred at a CVS store on Sheldon Road shortly

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before 2 p.m., a township police report said.

The cashier had already bagged up the cigarettes but the man had not paid for them, the report said. When he asked for a cigar and the cashier turned, the report said, he took the cigarette cartons and ran from the store.

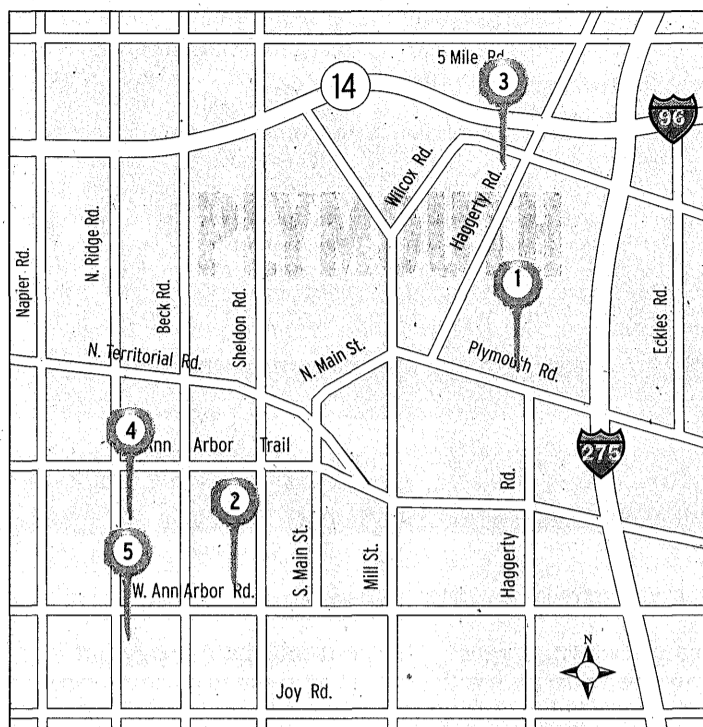
The cashier yelled and a manager followed the thief for a short distance. He was last seen running south along Sheldon.

The manager told police the man has done the same thing two or three times in the past.

Truck burglary

Stereo equipment was reported stolen June 11 from a Ford pickup truck that was parked in the driveway of a house on Inbrook Drive.

It was not clear when the burglary took place. The complainant told police the truck had been locked; after the burglary, it was found with a door ajar, though still locked.



Car stolen

A Commerce Township man who was visiting his niece in Plymouth Township had his 2000 Ford Taurus stolen from him minutes after arriving at her house Sunday afternoon.

The man told police he parked the car in the driveway of his niece's house on Plymouth Lake Circle, leaving it unlocked and with the windows down but taking the keys. A few minutes later, the car was gone, he told police. No one reported witnessing the theft.

Vehicle vandalism

The window on a GMC Envoy was smashed, apparently by someone wielding a rock that was found at the scene, as the vehicle sat parked in the owner's driveway on Countrywood Saturday afternoon.

A police report said the vandalism occurred between 12:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.

Nothing was reported stolen from the Envoy.

By Matt Jachman

Tips aimed at helping seniors avoid crime

The Plymouth Township Police Department features a wide variety of crime prevention tips for township residents. The tip sheets are available on the township's Web site at www.plymouthtwp.org

Crime Prevention for Seniors

WHEN YOU ARE OUT

If you must carry a purse, hold it close to your body. Do not dangle it.

Never carry a wallet in your back pocket. Put it in an inside jacket pocket or front pants pocket.

Make sure someone knows where you are going and when you expect to return.

Avoid dark, deserted routes even if they are the shortest.

Carry change for emergency telephone and transportation use.

Whenever possible, travel with friends. Check with your senior citizen center about escort services or the police.

When using public transportation, sit near the driver.

Do not overburden yourself with packages and groceries that obstruct your view and make it hard to react.

Have your car or house key in hand as you approach your vehicle or home.

Carry a whistle or freon horn to use if you need to summon help.

When you drive, keep doors locked and windows up. Park in well-lit, busy areas.

If you have car trouble, be wary of strangers who offer help. Stay in your car and ask them to call a service truck or the police.

If a friend or taxi takes you home, ask the driver to wait until you are safely inside.

When walking, act calm, confident, and know where you are going. Trust your instincts: If you feel uncomfortable in a place or situation, leave.

WHEN YOU ARE AT HOME

Use deadbolt locks on all exterior doors. Keep your doors locked at all times, even when you are inside.

Protect windows and sliding glass doors with good locks or other security devices.

Make your home appear occupied when you go out by using a timer to turn on lights and a radio.

Never let repair or sales persons into your home without checking their identification.

Call their company to verify their identity if you are not sure.

Install a viewer in your door, and use it.

If you live alone, do not advertise it. Use only your first and middle initials in telephone books, directories, and apartment lobbies.

Get to know your neighbors, and keep their telephone numbers handy for emergencies.

Work out a buddy system with a friend to check on each other daily.

Engrave your valuables with a unique identification number recommended by the police. Check with local senior citizen centers for available services.

Keep bonds, stock certificates, seldom-worn jewelry, and stamp and coin collections in a safe deposit box.

Do not hide extra house keys under a doormat or in other obvious spots.

PROTECT YOUR MONEY

If you receive checks in the mail regularly, arrange for them to be sent directly to the bank.

Avoid carrying large sums of money. If you must carry a large sum, have a friend accompany you.

Do not display large amounts of cash.

Do not sign a check or contract until you are sure it is for a legitimate reason. Know the details. If in doubt, check with a friend, a lawyer, or the police.

Police seek leads in auto burglary

Plymouth Township Police have a surveillance photo from a Canton Township fast-food restaurant they believe is of a man they say was in possession of property taken during a vehicle burglary in Plymouth Township.

The area has seen a rash of burglaries of parked vehicles in recent weeks, and police are advising motorists to lock their vehicle doors and stow valu-

ables out of sight, or take them out of the vehicle altogether, when leaving vehicles unattended.

Anyone with information about the man pictured should call Plymouth Township Sgt. Steve Rapson at (734) 354-3233. Rapson said there is no evidence linking the man in the surveillance photo to any of the other Plymouth Township vehicle burglaries.



Plymouth Township Police would like to talk to this person in connection with a rash of automobile break-ins in the township.

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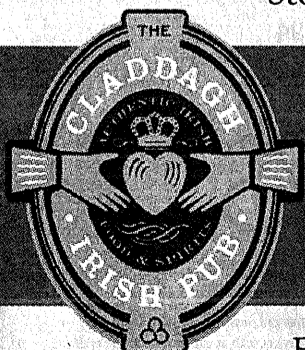
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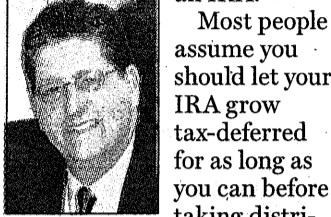
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Balance retirement and home purchase planning

When it comes to IRAs, it seems most questions deal with how to invest money. It is essential to have a strategy and invest your IRA wisely.

I believe one should treat an IRA as a portion of an entire portfolio rather than a separate investment. That said, I also believe it is important to have a strategy when it comes to withdrawing money from an IRA.



Money Matters

Rick Bloom

Most people assume you should let your IRA grow tax-deferred for as long as you can before taking distributions. I don't believe in this strategy for everyone. So much of the strategy regarding how to withdraw money from an IRA is dependent upon an individual financial situation. For example, someone in a low tax bracket should consider taking money from his/her IRA and letting outside investments continue to reinvest and grow. The reason is because nonretirement accounts would be subject to capital gain rates which are substantially lower than the ordinary income tax bracket.

The key is to do what's good for you.

On the topic of withdrawals, I've had a number of questions of on whether to withdraw money from an IRA to purchase a home. With housing prices continuing to fall, many individuals are looking at taking advantage of the bargains but they need money for the down payment. Should they withdraw money from their IRA? First, it is important to understand that if you are under 59½ there are ways that you can access your IRA without having to pay a penalty. Of course, while you are subject to the tax on the money there are ways you can avoid penalties. The real issue isn't the tax, but rather should someone use a retirement account to purchase a home. Generally, my advice for most people is don't touch the IRA. However, we are in extraordinary times and in some situations it may make sense.

I cannot stress enough the importance of saving for retirement and investing retirement money wisely. In the past, I have discouraged people from using retirement money to purchase a home because my general view was if you had to touch your retirement money, you probably could not afford the home. After all, when you consider

retirement you must factor into the equation what Social Security will be in the future is unknown, people are living longer and also the numerous changes in the financial marketplace. That is why I generally recommend against tapping into an IRA to purchase a home.

But there are exceptions,

and one just might be the first-time homeowner. The credit available to first-time homebuyers for federal tax purposes and the low prices of homes provide a good argument for using an IRA to purchase a home. Even for those who do not receive the first-time homebuyer tax credit, tapping using IRA money may make

sense. Of course, the individual who is tapping into an IRA must make a dedicated effort to eventually replenish that money by continuing to make ongoing contributions.

There used to be a rule that in the great majority of cases, one had to put 20 percent down in order to purchase the home. Although that rule

has unfortunately gone away, I believe it is a rule that most people should follow. If you end up buying a house that you cannot afford you will be unable to save for retirement and that could lead to problems down the road.

If you commit yourself to being fiscally responsible and continue to save for retire-

ment, accessing an IRA to purchase a home can be a very good strategy particularly for first-time homebuyers.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. Observer & Eccentric readers can submit questions at moneymatters@hometownlife.com. For more information, visit Rick's Web site at www.bloomassetmanagement.com.

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The day camp's activities include touring an ambulance, learning CPR, and visiting a local emergency room. HVA Paramedics and EMTs serve as "camp counselors", teaching campers about safety at home and at play, how to perform lifesaving skills on injured victims, and all about Emergency Services careers.

For a registration form or more information, call Jason Trojan, Camp 9-1-1 Coordinator, at (734) 477-6781 or email him at camp911@hva.org. Registration forms are also available at www.hva.org.

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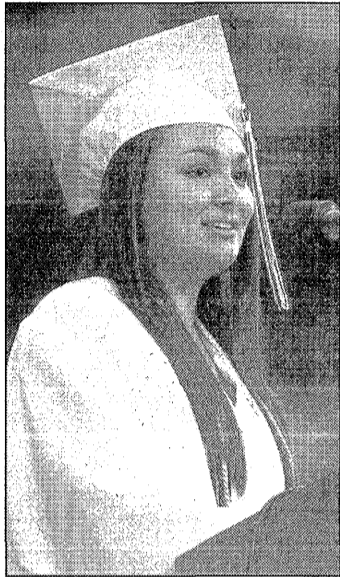
Life's next step: Salem grads move into the future

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 Leah Mary Bridges
 Justine Noelle Brish
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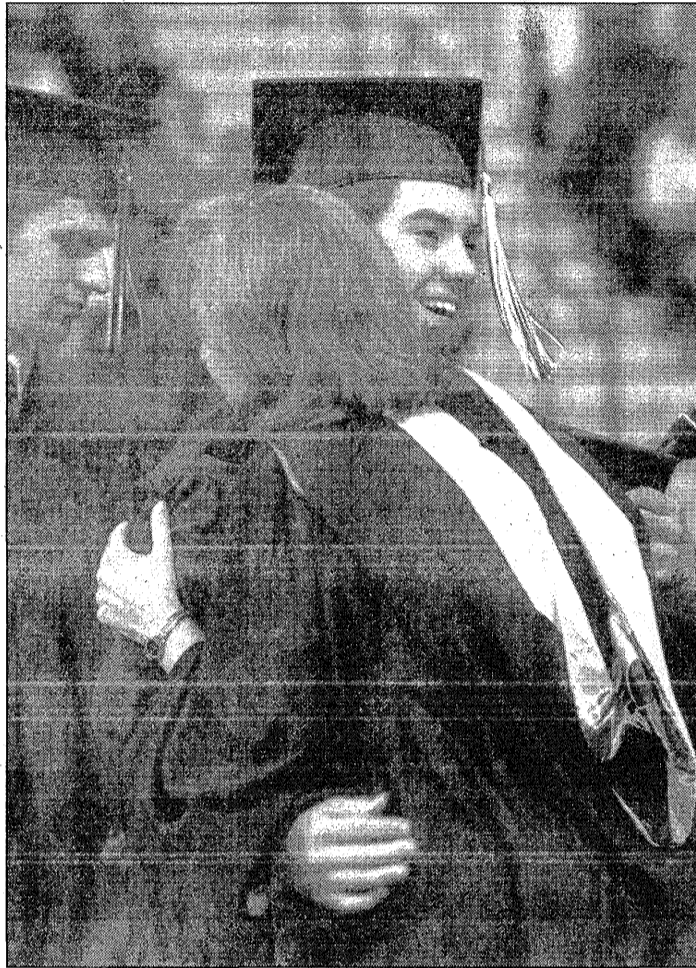


Tim Schoenherr directs the P-CEP Bands during the graduation ceremony at EMU.

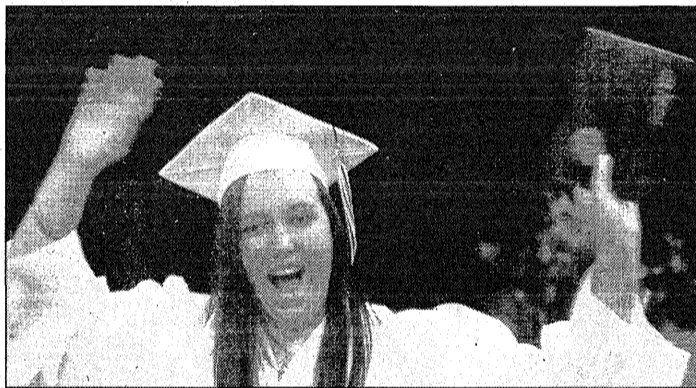


Salem Senior Class President Armani Paresch Patel addresses her classmates one last time.

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 Tommy Lee Josie
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 Ryan Zaven Kabodian
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 Joseph Easa Kasseees
 Gopaldeep Kaur
 Adam T. Kaye
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 Brittany Northcott Knoll
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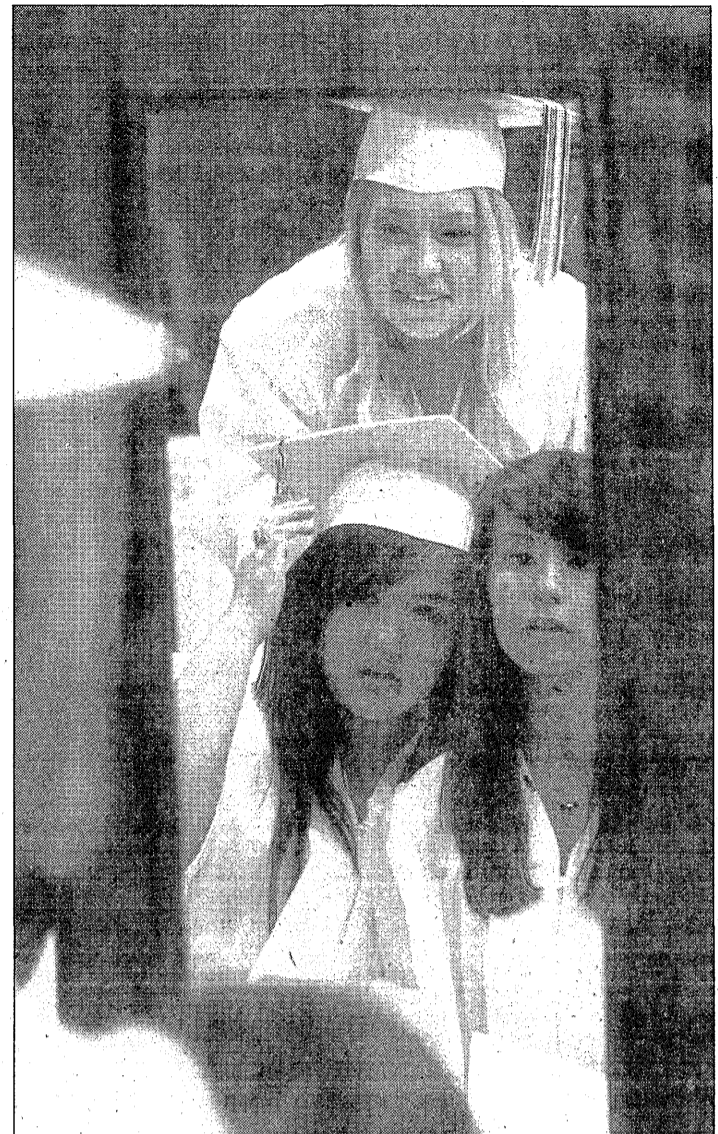
Jacob Parker Burnstein has a hug for school board trustee Nancy Eggenberger.



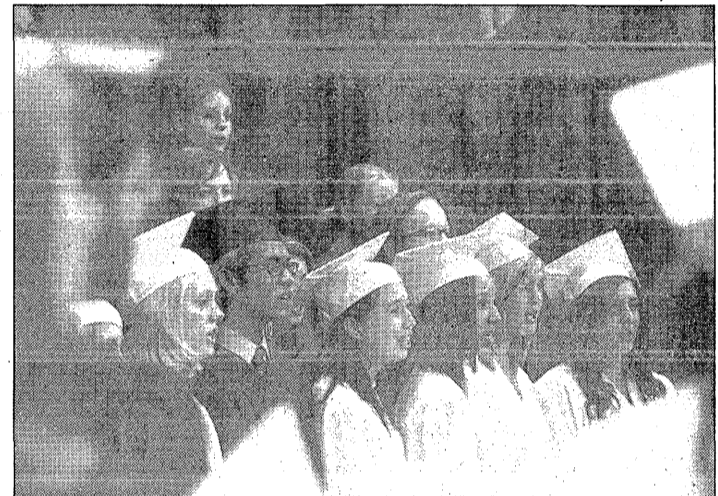
Taylor Marie McPhail grasps her diploma and cheers as she is graduated.

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 Richard Michael Lorey
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Fallon Burke, Kathleen Guevara and Gizelle Guerra check out the mirror before marching in to the arena for Salem High School's graduation exercise at Eastern Michigan University.



The P-CEP Combined Choirs sing 'Like An Eagle' at Salem's graduation ceremony.

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The fight for Life

Plymouth Relay for Life draws record number of survivors and top amount of money, too

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Jeff Wright was walking with a purpose Saturday when he took the track at Central Middle School for the 2009 Plymouth Relay for Life.

Wright and his wife, Lisa, marched in the relay on the team representing Wright Asset Management Group. The Wrights were walking after finding out a Wright Asset employee had been diagnosed with cancer.

"The company decided to sponsor a team, and I've always felt it's important to give back to the community," said Wright.

Lisa Wright, who was walking while carrying niece Gracie piggy-back, had several family members on her mind as she took her walk. Lisa's grandmother and a great aunt had breast cancer, and her grandfather had prostate cancer.

"I like to give back, too, but I'm doing this for other reasons," Lisa Wright said. "Maybe by the time I'm susceptible to cancer, there won't be cancer."

The Wright team was one of some 23 teams that contributed to the third Plymouth Relay for Life, an event that has grown every year.

This year's event had a goal of \$57,000 and, as of Wednesday, had reached more than \$56,000 with donations still pouring in.

"We're pretty confident we're going to make (the goal)," said Katie Brennan, the community representative for the American Cancer Society.

Brennan said the event was successful for other reasons, too. For instance, nearly 500 Luminaria bags, honoring victims of cancer, were sold, and the event raised more on-site money (people purchasing things at the event) than in the previous two years.

More importantly, 37 cancer survivors attended the event (a record) and some 50 people made pledges to take preventative measures against cancer in the coming year.

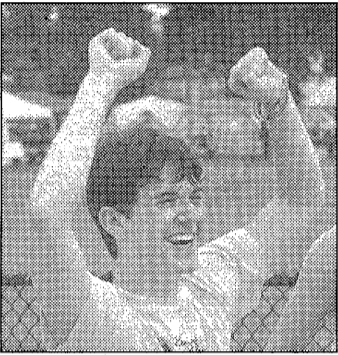
The event was so successful, the ACS already has nearly enough volunteers to make up the committee for next year's Relay, a rarity, according to Brennan.

"The whole vibe of the event was positive," she said. "Everyone had a good time. We have so many volunteers who want to get involved."

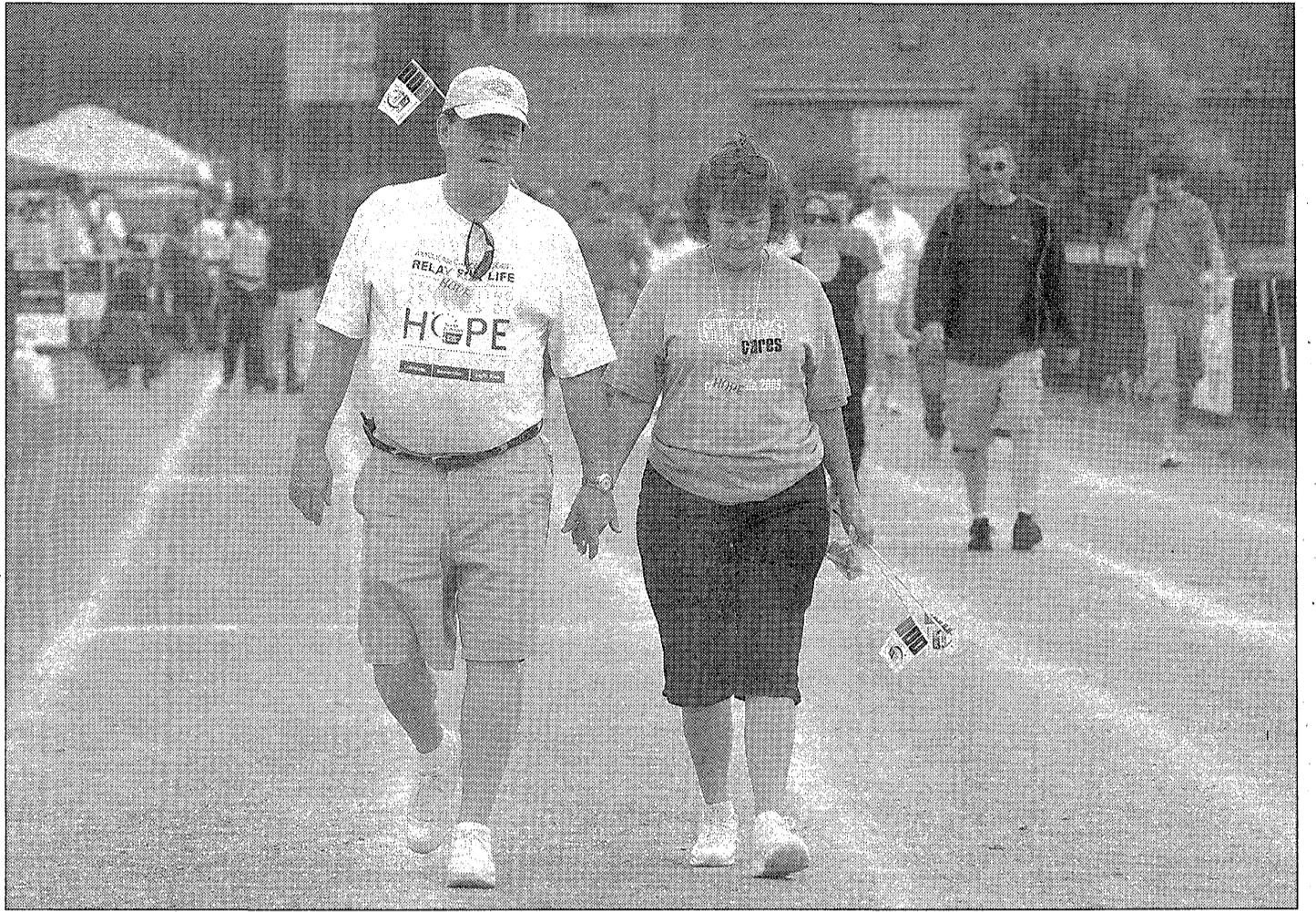
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Plymouth resident Heather Shephard listens to the Fight back ceremony. She's a nine-year colon cancer survivor.



It's not Rocky, but Shane O'Donohue, of Livonia.

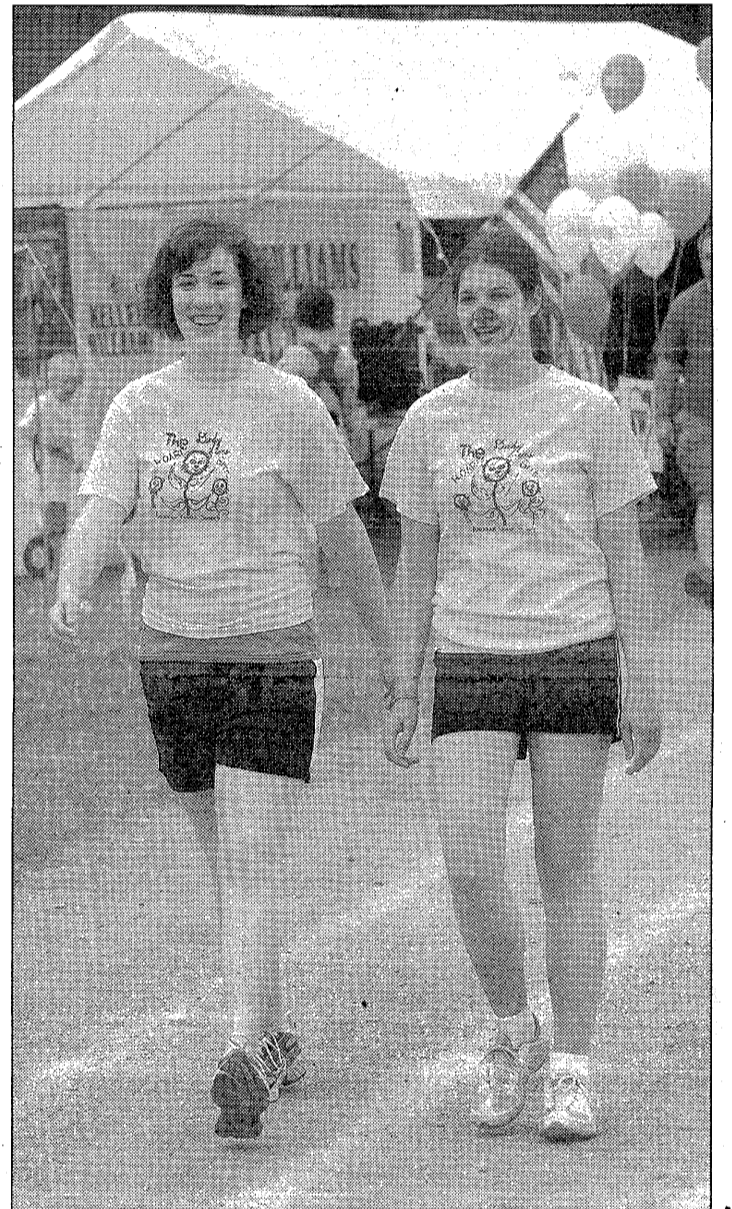


Rick and Sue Gilbert of Novi walk the track at Central Middle School.

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The 188 flags represent those in Plymouth who will be diagnosed with cancer in the next year.



Plymouth Relay For Life participants Laura Haldane and Kathleen Salata walk the track at Central Middle School. They are both Livonia residents.




Sisters Nicole, Erica and Jennifer Harris of Detroit were among the hundreds of walkers who took part in the third Plymouth Relay for Life.

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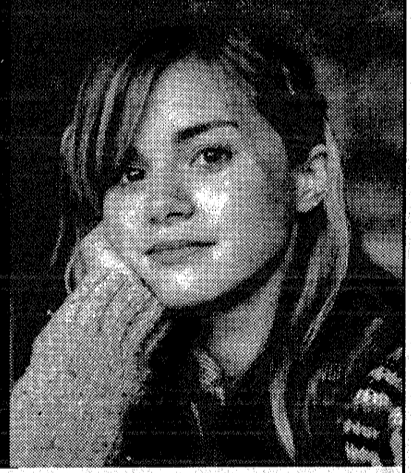
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OUR VIEWS

City moves quickly with smart DDA hire

Sherrie Pryor did a great job as operations director for the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority, and her departure to spend more time with her family left a big hole.



Bruscato

This week, city officials moved quickly and — we believe — smartly to fill the gap.

City Manager Paul Sincock, with the blessing of the DDA's Board of Directors, tapped Tony Bruscato to replace Pryor and team with Jon Buzuvis as the new leadership team for the DDA. If that name sounds familiar, it's because you're used to seeing it at the top of stories in this newspaper.

Sincock believes Bruscato, who covered Plymouth for some 11 years as an *Observer* reporter, brings a unique perspective to the DDA job. While filling what some would call an "adversarial" role as a newspaper reporter, Bruscato earned the respect of city officials, business owners, political leaders and residents. "When Tony wrote about (negative) aspects of city issues, he was right," one leader told us.

Bruscato brings a deep understanding of city issues, the budget structure and the operational process in the city. So much of the DDA job is marketing, an area that Bruscato's writing skills and positive attitude will serve well.

Perhaps most importantly, over his 11 years in town, Bruscato developed a respect and fondness for Plymouth that make him a natural choice to help promote it.

Relay walkers deserve our thanks

For the last three years, we have taken the time to urge residents to show their support for the hundreds of people who spend months fund raising and then 24 hours walking for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life.

The relay is a celebration of life, a huge party to recognize those who have fought the battle with cancer and won. It's also a somber remembrance of those who were not so lucky.

This year, the goal for the Plymouth Relay for Life — in just its third year — was to raise more than the \$50,000 it raised a year ago, money that will be used to help cancer patients and help further research for a cure. Or should we say cures, since there are so many different types of cancer and each one responds to a different treatment.

We want to take this time to say a heartfelt "Thank you" to the many people who committed their time and talent to the 2009 Plymouth Relay for Life. It is not an easy undertaking, it required a lot of hard work and a lot of commitment.

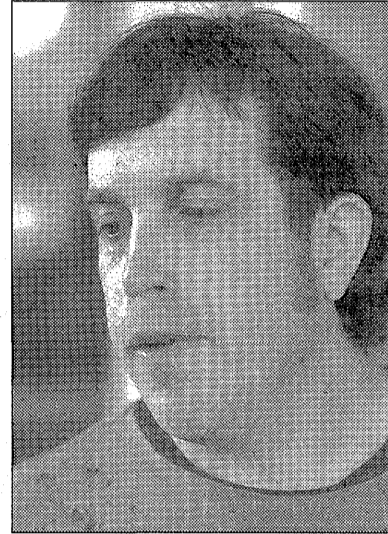
We congratulate all those people who made it happen, and all those people who went and showed their support. In three short years, Plymouth has shown a growing spirit aimed at fighting this disease.

Cancer doesn't sleep, doesn't take a vacation. It sucks the life out of whomever it can. We hope that somewhere in the money raised this year, one lowly Plymouth dollar bill will be the one that tips the scale for a cure. If not, we know that the money will be well spent in helping those who are battling the disease.

COMMUNITY VOICE

What was your favorite activity with your father when you were growing up?

We asked this question at the Plymouth District Library.



"Go to (Red Wings) hockey games, generally. I remember going to the finals in New Jersey."

Brian Ochmanski
Plymouth



"I remember when we were kids we used to go go-carting a lot. ... I still remember beating him three out of four."

Tim Newby
Plymouth



"I'd say playing catch. ... I'm into football, but dad wanted to play baseball. Good father-son pastime."

Ken Campbell
Plymouth



"I would say household projects. Building things." Jennifer Towell
Plymouth Township

LETTERS

Focus on big picture

Please find my thoughts on the article regarding the House of Representatives vote to ban smoking in bars and restaurants. I am a nonsmoker, yet I do not support the ban on smoking. Here are my reasons:

• Economy — In this horrid economy the government should not shoulder local businesses with additional regulations. If an individual does not like the smell of a specific establishment they can simply turn around and walk out the door. No need to regulate. Consumer's wallets will complete the regulation process.

• Hypocrisy — I find it humorous that people want to ban smoking in a BAR. If you ban smoking in a bar why not ban a number of other items found in bars and restaurants.

For example, while banning smoking in bars, they should also ban alcohol. Alcohol causes birth defects in children and millions of dollars are spent in treating alcohol abuse. In addition, drunk driving is one of the leading causes of accidents; thus they should ban alcohol.

While banning smoking and alcohol in bars and restaurants they should not overlook red meat and cheese products. These items are proven to contribute to high cholesterol, heart disease and obesity which are known killers. Thus, we should add cheeseburgers to the list of banned items.

Along with smoking, alcohol and cheeseburgers the state should also ban Keno. Keno is a first step into gambling which has caused financial hardships for people throughout Michigan. The state cannot risk their citizens falling into the clutches of gambling.

Oops. Strike that. The state makes millions on gambling and has omitted casinos from the smoking ban. The House of Representatives would not want to appear hypocritical.

I would ask that the State of Michigan's government focus on the most important item on their plate; to increase the favorability of Michigan to business by reducing taxes so that jobs will remain/return to the state. Their intentions may be noble but I ask that they focus on the big picture and leave the smaller decisions up to the remaining citizens of the state.

Of course, this could all be an elaborate plan by Lansing. If all businesses/citizens leave the state there will be no need for bars/restaurants; thus there will be no bar/restaurant patrons and there will be no remaining citizens to inhale secondhand smoke. Problem solved.

Sarcastically yours,

Geff Phillips
Plymouth

Selective amnesia

In response to a letter to the editor by Jim of Northville, printed on June 11, it seems that he is suffering from a case of selective amnesia or using psychological projection.

Jim speaks of blank checks issued by "legislative sycophants" in response to a presidential declaration that we are "out of money" that "wildly enlarged all government costs without a whimper."

I wonder how Jim thinks we got to this point? What about a \$155 billion surplus that was transformed into a \$1.5 trillion deficit in eight years? What about a presidential budget of \$3.1 billion for 2008 with the two foreign wars, one necessary the other chosen, being

financed off the books so that an egotistical chief executive, in pursuit of a legacy, could gain political traction that would translate into "leverage" in matters foreign and domestic by making himself a wartime Commander in Chief?

What about the "tyranny" of hacked e-mails, government wiretaps and other suspensions of civil liberties, crimes perpetrated and laws enacted in response to fear over the contrived emergencies, WMDs in Iraq and a nonexistent conspiracy between al Qaeda and Saddam Hussein, that have haunted us for the last six years?

Yes we have "exhausted international lenders" in Jim's words, by borrowing the funds to conduct two wars from China, but this did not occur during the current administration. Jim states that the recipe for tyranny includes "giant debt load, lingering unemployment, inflated money and market control," all characteristics of the previous administration, but neglects to include the impact of the Iraq war on the American psyche.

Remember that war that seemed absolutely necessary because the administration falsified its own intelligence, ignored intelligence from allies and obtained false information through torture after the fact to evidence the inescapability of war.

As far as "bailouts driven" by "Fannie, Freddie and the Fed," those too began on the prior watch. By the way, the failures of Fannie and Freddie played a relatively small part in the meltdown. Noted economist Paul Krugman termed those who believe that Fannie and Freddie were the causal agents of the cataclysm as "delusional." They were mere symptoms the result of 28 years of conservative-led, greed motivated deregulation that has resulted in the banking industry behaving more like a casino than the keeper of the currency.

Jim may be right on the assumption that we will all have to tolerate regressive, "relentless taxation upon anything produced, moved or used in America" to maintain the status quo. If we continue to allow corporations a virtual free pass with a loophole-ridden tax code featuring the legal off-shoring of the fair tax burden as well as low marginal tax rates and low capital gains taxes on wealthy individuals, someone will have to foot the bill.

Amazingly, corporations in the '50s paid over 30 percent of the federal tax bill and now pay about 7 percent. In addition, low marginal tax rates on that second or third million encourage the "boom, bubble, bust" economies that have become painfully all too familiar. Perhaps Jim and I agree on ousting "arrogant incumbents" if he is a citizen of the 11th U.S. Congressional district, the home of "Dr. No." In that eventuality Jim, speaking of arrogance, states that there are "real Americans" who should feel the "calling to serve" but I fear that those folks who qualify are only those who agree with him and who now, after having things their way for 20 or more of the last 28 years and thoroughly messing things up, are having to adjust to a new reality.

Mitch Smith
Canton

Protection from tyranny

There is no doubt times are changing. Many honest, hardworking citizens wonder "what has become of the individual freedom to choose our own path through life, in

search of the happiness guaranteed under our Constitution?" To this question, one must answer, when was the last time you actually read the Constitution?

The U.S. Constitution was written and adopted under the principle of "positive grant." What this means is quite simple. The federal government is authorized to exercise only those powers which are "positively granted" to it by the Constitution. If a power is specifically listed in the Constitution, the federal government can do it — if not specifically listed, the federal government has no power. This principle was so important to the founding fathers that they codified it in law as the 10th Amendment.

The language of the 10th is clear and concise: "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited to it by the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people." Thus, the federal government's powers are limited to a specific set of activities — the rest is to be handled by the state government, or locally, by the people themselves.

Each of the sovereign states has, through its own legislature, adopted a State Constitution and set of regulations, based upon issues important to its own citizens. It has always been the right of the people to decide under which set of rules they wish to be governed, simply by choosing which state in which to live. Those searching for certain employment may migrate to states with "right to work" laws. Entrepreneurs look for states with the lowest business tax burden. Parents seek states providing the best educational opportunities for their children. Gun owners choose states with strong Second Amendment protections. The sovereignty of each state to govern itself has, in turn, provided this diversity of choice.

The federal government's attempt to impose legislative mandates meant to override State Constitutions and statutes is clearly unconstitutional, and has been ruled such by the U.S. Supreme Court in *New York vs. United States*, 112 S. Ct. 2408 (1992), "... Congress may not simply commandeer the legislative and regulatory processes of the states."

When the federal government oversteps the powers "positively granted" to it by the sovereign States and We the People, the possibility for tyranny grows. It becomes incumbent upon the States, and the people, to rein in their servant government.

The State of Michigan, through its legislators in Lansing, is attempting to do just that. Rep. Paul Opsommer has introduced legislation in the Michigan House (HCR 004) which will serve to remind our federal government of the meaning of the 10th Amendment. Similar legislation (SCR 004) has been introduced in the Michigan Senate by Sen. Bruce Patterson. Both Concurrent Resolutions have been referred to committee, where they will be agreed to and sent to the floor for debate and adoption by the whole body, or simply die of inaction.

Now is the time for the people of the sovereign state of Michigan to raise their voices and be heard all the way to Washington. Please call, write or visit your state representative and senator, urging them to co-sponsor and support these Concurrent Resolutions. The last protection from tyranny rests with the People. The time to act is NOW.

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Free classes

Art Van Furniture, Michigan's largest furniture retailer, will offer design classes this fall. The store's Visual Merchandising team will present classes on four main topics: Determining Your Style, The Impact of Color, Furniture Placement, and Accessorizing. The style class will teach participants how to make smarter decisions about major purchases and make a home more comfortable for the family. The color session will explain the value of color and how to pick the right hues for a style. The furniture placement class will cover traffic patterns, focal points, floor plans and visual balance. The final session will clarify how to clear clutter, work with pieces that hold an emotional connection, and mix old and new pieces together.

Classes will be held Sept. 15, 22, 29 and Oct. 6 at the Novi store, 27775 Novi Road, and Sept. 17, 24, Oct. 1 and 8, in the Ann Arbor store, 425 E. Eisenhower Parkway.

Reservations are requested. Register by calling (888) 619-2199.

Reading incentive

Borders Express at Laurel Park Place in Livonia is challenging youngsters 12 and under to read this summer and offering a 50 percent savings on merchandise when they do.

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Forms must be returned by Aug. 31.

Meet the author

Tom Lowe, author of *A False Dawn*, will sign his new crime novel at 7 p.m., Tuesday, June 23, at Barnes & Noble's Northville store, 17111 Haggerty. (248) 348-0696. At 7:30 p.m., the store's mystery book group will meet.

Grill or Barbecue? Learn the difference at the All-American Summer class, 11 a.m., Sunday, June 28 and 6 p.m.,

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Inline skating

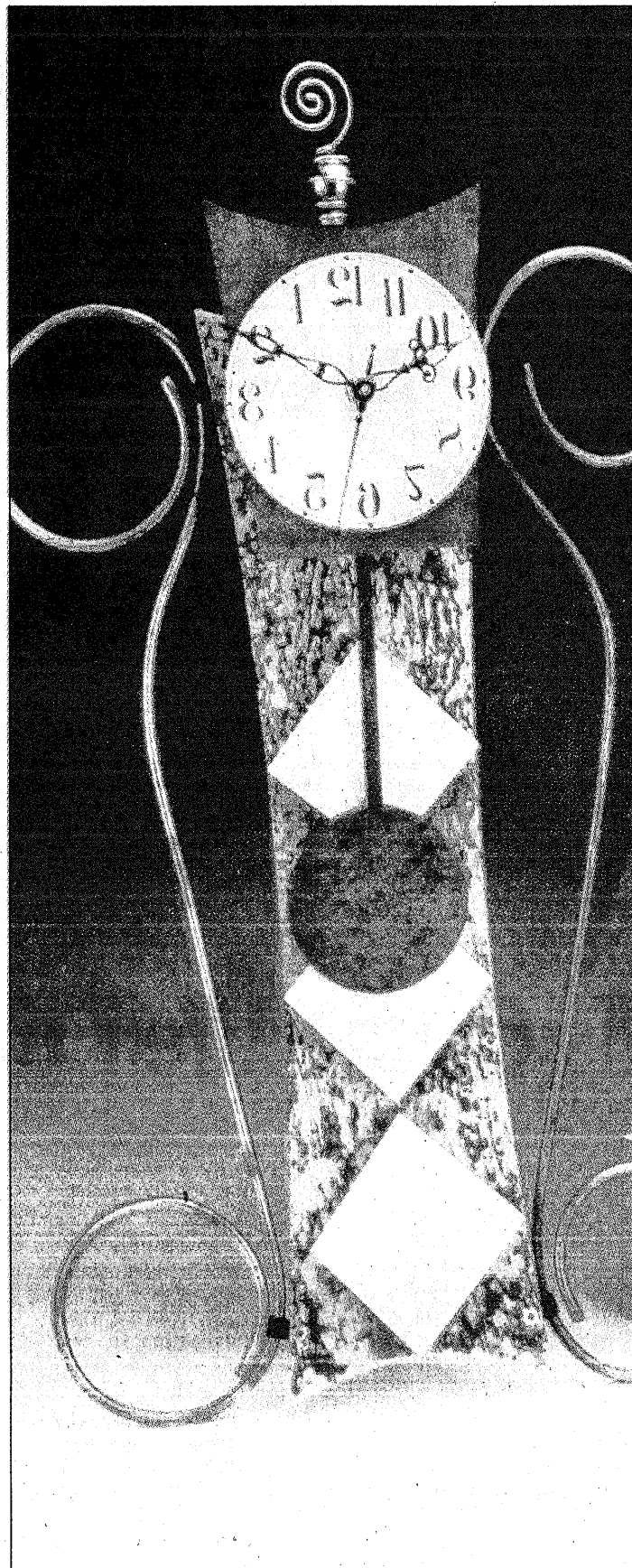
Summit Sports and the Farmington Inline Skate Club will host inline skating events 6:30 p.m.-midnight. Intermediate/advanced skaters will meet every Monday in June in the rear parking lot of Our Lady of Sorrows, 23815 Power Road, Farmington for a 15-25 mile skate through hilly terrain.

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.

The store is located at 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.

- Compiled by Sharon Dargay

Downtown Northville gears up for art festival



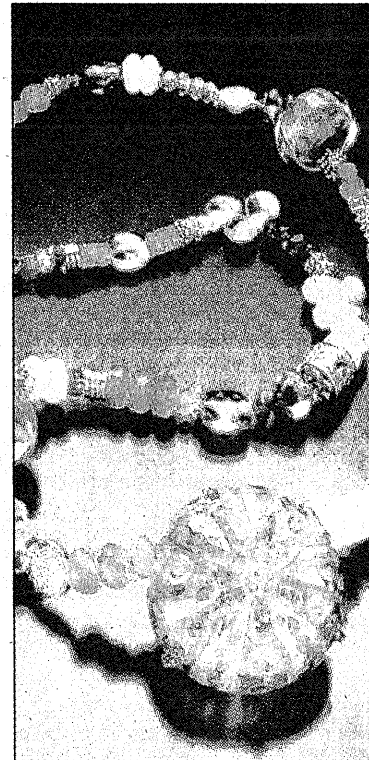
Artist Duane Scherer's clock sculptures will be on display at Northville's upcoming art festival.

The 21st Annual Northville Art in the Sun fine arts festival will offer more than 100 juried artists, lively music, food, kids' activities and the ambiance of downtown Northville, Saturday-Sunday, June 27-28.

Festival hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday.

Kids activities will include sand art, plaster painting, sandy candy, caricatures, and face painting. Sheila Landis, award winning jazz vocalist will perform noon-4 p.m., Sunday. Performers from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturday are classical guitarist Roy Scoutz, drummer Ken Majors and Americamanta, with Brazilian music.

For more information about the show, leave a message at the Northville Art House at (248) 344-0497 or visit online at www.northvillearts.org.



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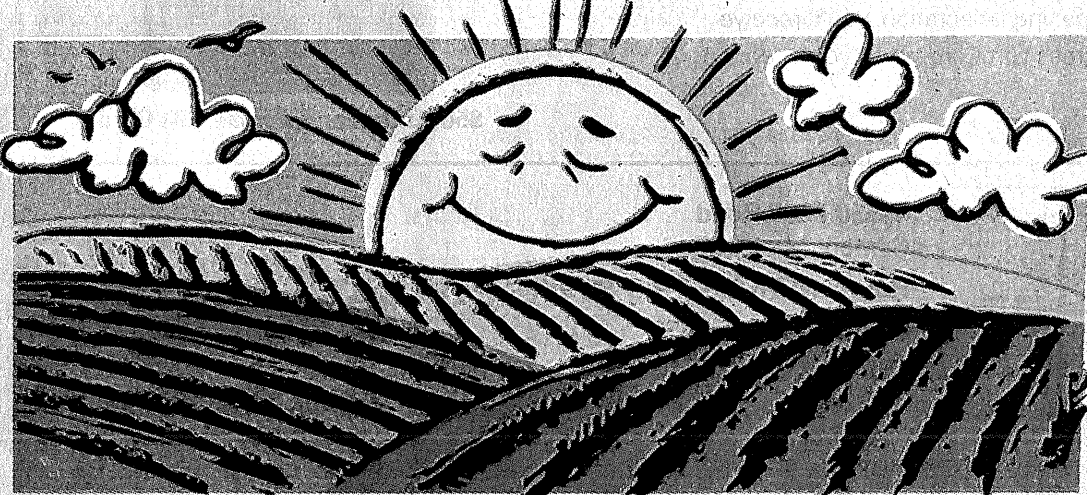
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Cavaliers calling

Drum corps expects local audience at Wayne show

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Cavaliers are coming. If you're a fan of drum lines and drum and bugle corps, you won't want to miss the Rosemont, Ill., Cavaliers when they make a two-day stopover at Wayne Memorial High School to rehearse for competition in Toledo, Ohio.

"Their visit is creating a lot of excitement," said Wayne High band director Matt Diroff, who is organizing band boosters and students to prepare for the group's arrival. "I'm amazed at the hard work that's put in for one of these visits. It's a great learning experience for the kids."

Diroff was contacted at the end of May about hosting the Cavaliers. The school will provide sleeping areas and shower rooms for the members and their drivers and cooks and provide the high school football stadium for rehearsals. The group — five motor coach-



Founded in 1948, The Cavaliers is an all-male drum and bugle corps.

es, three tractor-trailers and several cars — will arrive at the Wayne high school around 2 a.m. Wednesday, June 24, Diroff said.

They'll use the high school football field for practice 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday before heading to Toledo where they compete with six-seven other drum and bugle

corps in the Glassman All-Star Review at the University of Toledo.

"They only need a place to rehearse and sleep, they have their own food truck," said Diroff. "What we try to do is make them feel welcome and let them know they're at a place that appreciates the opportunity to host them." Band boosters are creat-

ing goodie bags for the group filled with snack foods that they can take with them when they leave. They also will man the concessions stand where corps members and people who come to watch the practice can buy hot dogs and snacks throughout Wednesday afternoon and evening.

One booster is also creating vinyl signs to hang up outside the gym and stadium welcoming and wishing the Cavaliers good luck.

"The boosters are doing an amazing job. Having been a member of one of those groups, I know how nice it was to have someone make you feel at home in a strange place," said Diroff. "These kind of groups take off in June and stop at their home base once or twice over three months."

"They do their performances then pack up and move on to the next stop. They do that until August when they converge on Indiana for the world championships," he added.

The Cavaliers have 150 members and a support staff of some 35 people. The group got its start in 1948 when a Chicago Scoutmaster organized his troop members into a drum corps after seeing a performance at Soldier Field by a group of Racine, Wis., Eagle Scouts. The all-male Cavaliers perform in the Drum Corps International's world class division and has won five world championships over the last eight years, including a first-place finish in 2006.

Diroff expects the Cavaliers visit will attract alumni and fans from around the state as well as a large contingent from Plymouth-Canton, which has a strong music program. He expects the largest crowds during the afternoon and evening practices.

And the Cavaliers aren't the only drum and bugle corps that will stop by the school this summer. Wayne High also will host a one-day visit by the Santa Clara Vanguard from

Santa Clara, Calif., on Aug. 3.

Diroff said the visit will be "exciting" because the Vanguard will be "in tiptop shape."

"After they come here, I'm pretty sure they'll head to Indiana," he said.

The high school has been hosting drum and bugle corps for several years and has done such a good job that it's now at the top of the list for host schools. Diroff made the connection through a friend of a friend. According to Diroff, the Cavaliers' visit should be a must for bandsmen serious about their performances.

"If you want to learn how to do what you do better, you have to see it done at the highest level," he said.

Wayne Memorial High School is at 3001 Fourth St. at Glenwood in Wayne. For more information, contact Diroff by e-mail at diroffm@wwcsd.net.

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Local Star Trek fans create their own online movie

BY ALEX LUNDBERG
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

With the last televised incarnation of Star Trek off the air since 2005 and a new Star Trek movie that set box office records, some local fans have created their own version of the show and are hoping to tell as many stories as they can.

In *Eclipse*, the first episode of *Star Trek: Osiris*, worsening relations between perennial Federation enemies the Klingons and Romulans are framed against the launching of the U.S.S. Osiris, Starfleet's newest and fastest ship, and a coup against the president of the United Federation of Planets. The ship's captain is wrestling with his superiors, the crew is fractious, the engine just doesn't want to work ... all familiar Star Trek flavors.

On top of that, all of the props, costumes, sound effects and dialogue are as close to the image and feeling of the Star Trek products since *Star Trek: The Next Generation* as the filmmakers could get. All of the sets and effects are com-



Carr and Miller after the computer-generated backgrounds have been added. All of the other props and costumes were made for the production specifically.

puter-generated.

Executive producer, writer and actor Todd Adams of Waterford ("Cmdr. Alaric Thorrson") was working with co-creator Jay Miller at Best Buy in 2007 when they watched *Hidden Frontiers*, the most extensive fan-generated Star Trek online series. It gave them both ideas.

"After watching it we were saying that we could do that," he said. "One day those conversations got serious."

Starting with the idea that all they needed was a camera and a green screen they started planning their own series.

Mary Gibbs (associate producer, casting director) of Redford plays the part of helmsman Kara Donovan. A veteran of independent features, murder mystery dinner theater and the Michigan Renaissance Festival, she got the part after answering an online ad.

"I responded to a Craigslist ad looking for actors for a *Star Trek* fan Web series," she said. "I went there, auditioned on the green screen set and got the job."

After getting the job, she said Miller was doing casting as well as producing and directing, and she asked if she could take over some of those responsibilities. She used her contacts in Michigan film to

get people she knew, other actors, to come out and audition for parts in the production.

Adams said getting the actors together turned out to be a regular chore. Only two of the people involved were professional actors, the rest were people with day jobs so shooting was a weekend balancing act. Others found other challenges inherent in the project.

All acting is make believe, but the set of *Star Trek: Osiris* is entirely a green screen environment where everything that isn't in a character's hands or on his/her back is computer-generated. Gibbs said it can be difficult to adjust.

"I had done green screen before but nothing like this," she said. "You're sitting there with the console in front of you but it's plywood sprayed green and you're pretending to push buttons."

Jay Miller (director, producer, editor, "Capt. Kieran Bale") created all of the computer generated sets and effects using an editing program he taught himself to use.

It was a lot of work. "It was more work than I originally thought," he said. "Now I realize how hard it is to manage talent and work with the computer. I gained a lot of respect for the guys who created *Hidden Frontiers*."

The first episode of *Star Trek: Osiris, Eclipse*, has been

online since April 18 and thousands have already seen it.

"The positive response of the Trek community has been more than I expected," Adams said, "It's been above and beyond."

How long can it go on? Miller said he expected a few more episodes will be needed to flesh out the story arc started in *Eclipse*. After that, who knows?

"We've got a general idea where we want it to end," he said. "I'd like to keep it going, to say what life is like after these events, what is the change after this?"

The episode can be seen for free at www.stosiris.com.

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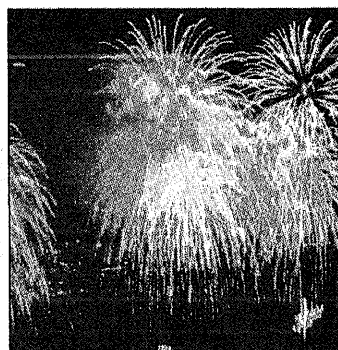
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HOMETOWN LIFE



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East All-Star third baseman Brad Lineberry of Plymouth High School stretches for a hot shot in 'Brandon Inge territory' on Tuesday night. But he couldn't quite reach the ball.

It's big-time finale for baseball pals

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

How unbelievable Tuesday night must have been for Plymouth's Brad Lineberry and Salem's Sam Ott?

Both are longtime friends who played baseball together growing up as well as against each other during high school. But Tuesday at Comerica Park, they finished their high school careers in the best possible way — on the same team in the place the Detroit Tigers roam.

"This is probably the best experience I've ever had playing baseball," said Lineberry, who lined out and played third base in the East All-Stars 13-4 loss to the West All-Stars. "It's the best life experience ever."

According to Ott, "It was great, not only because we played in the same park but I've played with Brad since I was probably 7 or 8 years old." "Just our last high school game we're ever going to play

we played together, that's really cool," Ott said. "The whole thing was awesome, there's nothing that could be better."

"Me and Sam played travel ball since we were 8 years old," chimed in Lineberry. "We hung out together, everything."

Lineberry came up to bat in the sixth, trying to get a base knock and match what Ott did in the fourth (a single to right).

But the West center-fielder dove headfirst to pick Lineberry's shot off the carpet.

Ott had a bit more success, not only singling but scoring a run.

"I didn't want to go O-fer," he said, smiling as he talked on the field after the game. "I was happy to get a hit off a good pitcher and it was great to get a run, too."

AMAZING OPPORTUNITY
They said it was great to

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STAR POWER

East All-Stars fall 13-4 at Comerica Park, but local players shine

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Today's top high school baseball players Tuesday night put an undeniable exclamation point on their prep careers at Comerica Park.

Plymouth's Brad Lineberry, Salem's Sam Ott and several others with area ties had strong showings, even though it turned out to be a lopsided affair on the scoreboard.

The 28th annual Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association East-West All-Star Baseball Classic went to the West, by a 13-4 final.

"It was amazing, just the atmosphere, playing on a nice field," said Lineberry, who played third base and was robbed of a hit in his only at-bat. "I could never wish for anything else. I was standing at third thinking, hey, Brandon Inge is here almost every day. It was great."

Ott, the starting left-fielder, contributed a line single to right field and scored a run in two at-bats while also pitching a frame for the East.

"Everything is just so much bigger, not only the dimensions but the stands and everything," Ott said. "It's a little harder to pick up the ball. You just have to get used to the ball going up in the seats. It's great playing here."

On a night when big-league scouts probably were watching Detroit Tigers draft pick Daniel Fields of University of Detroit-Jesuit (0-2) it was



East All-Stars congratulate teammate Matt Conway, of Birmingham Brother Rice, after he clobbered a solo home run into the Comerica Park bullpen in left.

Birmingham Brother Rice senior Matt Conway who wowed the crowd.

Conway, the East MVP, socked a solo homer into the left-field bullpen in the fourth, to spark a four-run surge that would briefly tie the contest at 4-4.

But things went downhill fast for the East (coached by West Bloomfield's Pat Watson), largely due to the heavy hitting of West MVP Torsten Boss of Lowell, who doubled, tripled and drove in four runs.

GOING YARD

"Even when I hit it, I was like 'There's no way it's going out,' and then it goes out of

the park and everyone's going crazy," said Wake Forest-bound Conway, who played twice before at the Copa in the Catholic League championship. "It was a great experience rounding second. Even some of the guys in the field were saying nice shot. So it was great camaraderie out here. Everyone's pulling for each other even though we're kind of competing to win. It was something I'll never forget."

Conway, ironically, also served up a round-tripper. He pitched the ninth inning only to yield a three-run shot to left by Rockford's Shane Street.

Other area players made their presence felt. Novi's

Garrett Green doubled and made a sparkling defensive play to save a run in the eighth and West Bloomfield's Takahiro Fukui singled.

The West scored single runs in the second and third and tacked on two more in the third helped out by some sloppy East fielding.

But Conway drilled his home run and Ott followed with a single in the fourth to get the East thinking comeback.

GIVING IT BACK

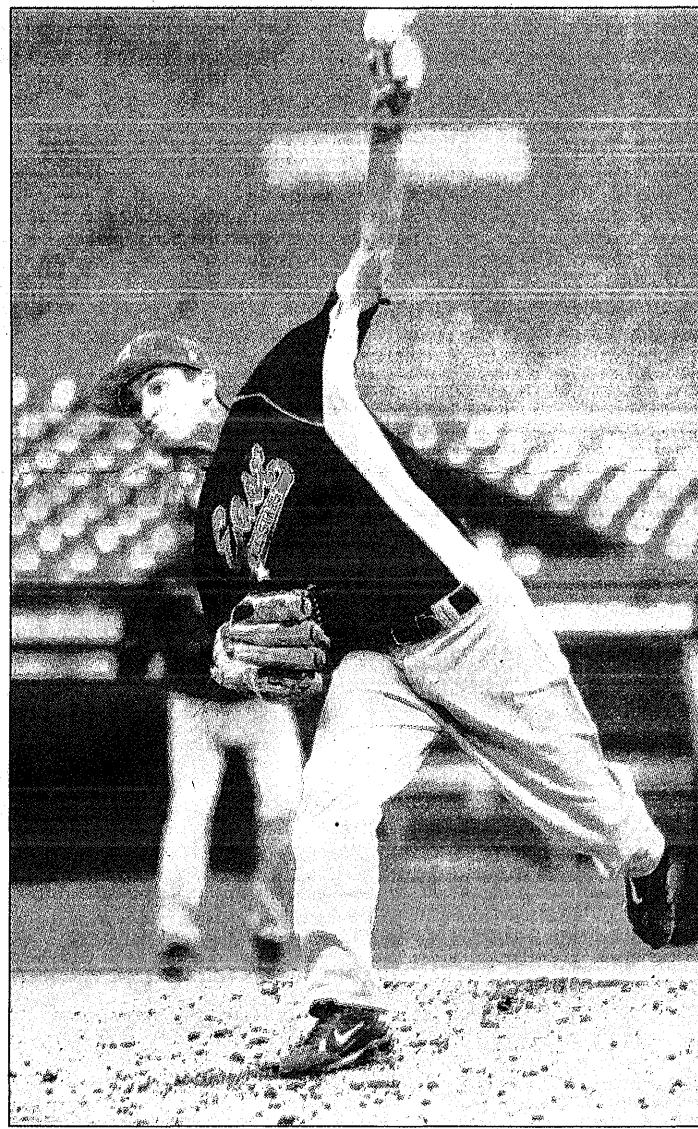
Pinch hitter Mike Carson (Lapeer East) made it 4-2 with a single and two more runs scored on a passed ball and wild pitch.

It didn't take long for the West to get the lead back as Jason Hockemeyer (Meridian) doubled home Boss.

A two-run triple to the scoreboard in right-center by Boss opened up a 7-4 edge in the sixth and he drove in two more in the seventh on a double to left. Picking up the victory for the West was Temperance Bedford lefthander Mitch Hooven, while the loss was pegged on Carson, who allowed the go-ahead run in the fifth.

The Classic again was presented by the Detroit Tigers Foundation, an affiliate of Ilitch Charities, to provide prep players a chance to showcase their talents and strengthen the game throughout Michigan.

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Sam Ott of Salem High School launches a pitch toward home plate during the fourth inning of Tuesday's East-West All-Star Game at Comerica Park.

Salem's Cox leads lacrosse honorees

Another successful season for the Plymouth Canton Community Schools girls lacrosse team yielded a number of honors, bestowed at the team's recent awards banquet.

At the top of the list of honorees was senior captain and Salem student Emily Cox, who was the second recipient of a \$1,000 scholarship award.

Lady Warriors' head coach Dave Medley described Cox as "a solid defensive force" throughout her three-year varsity career and she "demonstrated a very calm confidence on and off the field, which was the reason she was named captain."

It should be noted that Cox and Lady Warriors' teammates Lauryn Ebersole (Plymouth) and Chelsea Olson (Canton) played in the senior Hall of Fame game Saturday and Ebersole was named by the Michigan Women's Coaches Lacrosse Association for honorable mention All-State.

Olson was the first scholarship recipient. The PCS Lady Warriors is a combined varsity team with players from Salem, Canton and Plymouth high schools.

There were other honors for Cox. The Michigan Women's Coaches Lacrosse Association recognized Emily's strong defensive skills this season.

She received an Honorable Mention award for defense for 2009 in the All

East Central League.

The coaches of the teams that the PCS Lady Warriors faced this season voted on the award.

Her teammates also voted her as the Best Defensive Player for the season, Medley said.

In addition to her lacrosse excellence, Cox has participated in numerous volunteer service activities. She is an active participant in the Open Door Ministry Food Bank, packaging food for local needy families, volunteers for the Canton Goodfellows and for the Kids Time After School Program.

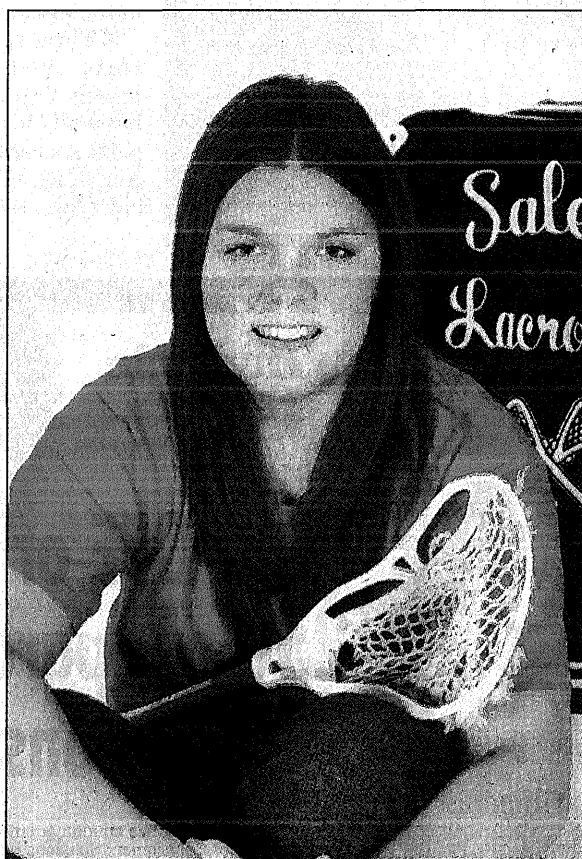
Her assets extend beyond the field and her service; she is an excellent student. Finishing high school with a 4.0 grade-point-average, Cox has been accepted at Michigan State University, and has been invited into the Academic Scholars Program at MSU.

Emily also was one of 14 players to earn a Scholar Athlete Award in recognition for her academic and athletic achievement (*Check the list below for other winners.*)

OTHERS EARN AWARDS

A number of other awards were presented at the banquet. They include the following:

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Salem senior Emily Cox recently became the second winner of a \$1,000 scholarship awarded by the Plymouth Canton Community Schools girls lacrosse team.

Tourney success in Cards

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Hard work, fun and commitment to team success is the right blend for the winning machine that is the Canton Cardinals' 11U baseball team.

The Cardinals, coached by Dan Hejka Sr., are 29-4-1 following recent tournament championships at the Frankenmuth Baseball Showcase and Farmington Hills Cobra Classic.

Hejka's team follows the mantra that "players play, teams win."

The youngsters keep that in mind when they dive to catch a fly ball, sacrifice runners over or make a fundamentally sound relay throw to the plate. Every player makes a contribution.

Meanwhile, the head coach also points to other attributes that contribute a great deal, such as solid character and encouragement from family.

"They are a great group of boys," Hejka emphasized. "And (they) are hard-working and deserve any accolades that come their way."

"I am also blessed with very supportive families that are the main reason for our success."

The Cardinals, a travel team based out of the Greater Canton Youth Baseball and Softball Association, will try to extend that run of success June 19-21 at the USSSA State Championships in Sterling Heights.

With another month or so of games to be played, the Cardinals have been clicking when it counts most — going 4-0 at the Cobra Classic tourney.

In the semifinal, the Cardinals outslugged the Grosse Pointe Park Titans, 9-7. They then went on for a 9-1 victory over the North Farmington West Bloomfield Cobras, 9-1.

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compete with the cream of the crop, many of who will play in college or perhaps even professionally. Lineberry and Ott are looking to play baseball at Madonna University and Eastern Michigan University, respectively.

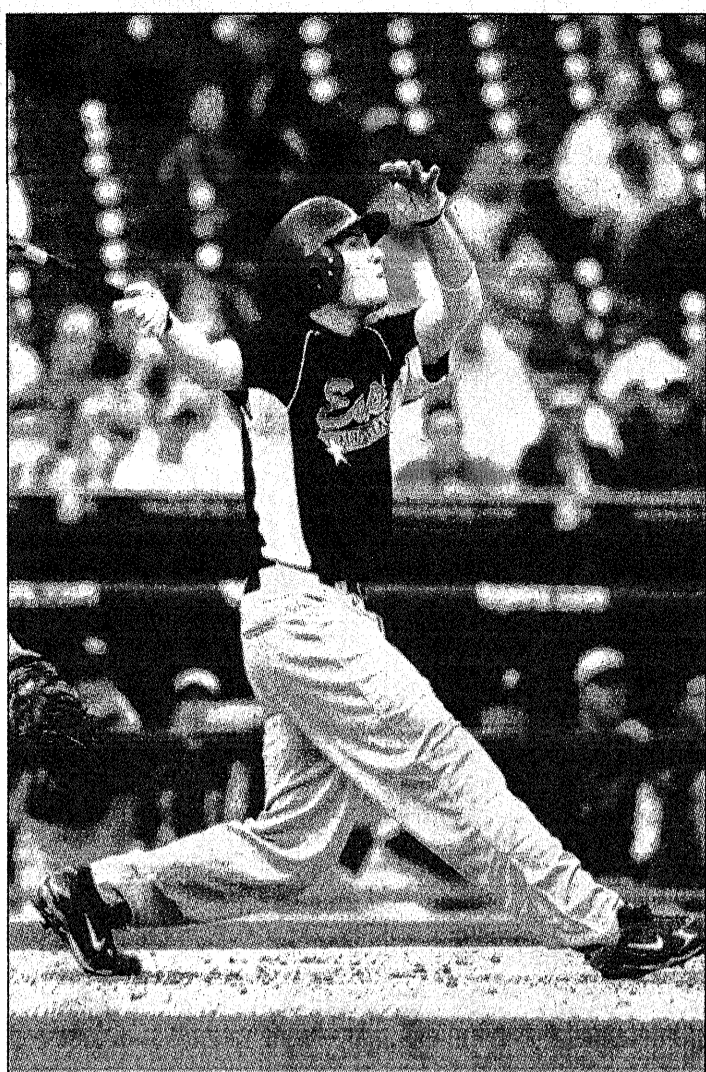
"Getting an opportunity to play in a game like this is so cool because you've got a bunch of kids either going to big-time colleges or maybe even the pros," Ott said. "Just being able to say you were one of the 36 people out of however many play high school baseball that got to play in this game is just amazing."

Surprisingly for such a big stage, they didn't battle too many jitters.

But the main thing was getting used to a different kind of environment.

"Everything is just so much bigger, not only the dimensions but the stands and everything," Ott said. "It's a little harder to pick up the ball."

"You just have to get used to the ball going up in the seats but it's great playing here."



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Lacing a single to right field at Comerica Park Tuesday is Salem's Sam Ott.

Niles foils Ladywood title hopes

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Niles pitcher Jenny Ignowski barely left a crack in the door before slamming it shut on Livonia Ladywood's bid to become the Division 2 state girls softball champions.

The senior right-hander struck 14 and allowed just two hits to propel the Vikings to a 4-0 triumph over the Blazers for the coveted title Saturday at Battle Creek's Bailey Park.

Ignowski, who also made a pivotal play in the top of the sixth inning to protect a 1-0 lead, enabled Niles (35-5) to earn its first state crown of any kind since 1964.

Ladywood, making its longest softball tournament run in school history, bows out with a 38-7 overall record.

"We've seen a lot of good ones throughout the season and she's one of the top three or pitchers we've seen," Ladywood coach Scott Combs said of the 2008 Michigan Gatorade Player of the Year. "She's good because she mixes it up well. It's her senior year and it was her time. She deserves everything she gets. You have to tip your cap to her."

Ignowski started the game on fire by fanning the entire Ladywood batting order through the first three innings. Through five innings, the Eastern Michigan University-bound hurler allowed only one base runner (a fifth-inning walk to Julie Bushart).

Meanwhile, Ladywood freshman pitcher Briana Combs kept the Blazers close by allowing just one run on just four hits through five innings herself.

Niles, however, got on the board in the bottom of the fourth on a single and stolen base by Heather Daniels followed by a sharp double to left-center field off the bat of Demi Schrader.

In the top of the sixth, senior Courtney LaValley, the offensive hero in Friday's 1-0 state semifinal win over Williamston, led off by reaching base on an infield single.

Freshman Nicole Payne came on to pinch run, but Ignowski got the next two outs after the Blazers were unable to execute successive sacrifice bunt attempts.

"Both Briana (Combs) and Jennifer Kelley are two of our best bunters, but against somebody that throws hard

and high, it's harder to hit against," Combs said. "After we were able to go through the lineup one time, we started to put the bat on the ball."

The first bonafide Ladywood offensive threat came the very next at-bat when freshman left fielder Carli SanMillan ripped a shot to right-center field for a double.

Combs, coaching third, waved Payne around and home on the play, but Daniels relayed the throw from right field and into the waiting hands of Ignowski just in front of the plate. The Niles pitcher flipped the toss to catcher Maggie Ernsberger and Payne was cut down at home for the final out of the inning.

"She (Ignowski) is a very good pitcher and that's why we had to take a chance to score - you've got to run," Combs said. "I thought when she cut the ball she would throw it down to second (base) and we'd score and it would be 1-1."

"We had only one or two chances and we took a shot to sneak across a run. We just did not get enough balls in play."

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• Plymouth junior Lauryn Ebersole, who set a single-season PCS record for goals with 51 and most ground balls in a season (129), was voted "Best Offensive Lady Warrior."

But Ebersole was also named by MWCLA as a first-team midfielder for the 2009 All East Central League; All-KLAA midfielder; nominated for All-State honors.

• Canton senior and co-captain Chelsea Olson, who set a Canton goal record with 39, was voted "Most Valuable Lady Warrior."

Olson received a Scholar-Athlete Award and also was named honorable mention midfielder in the KLAA and second team midfielder for the 2009 All East Central League.

■ Plymouth senior Nicole Rottell, in addition to "Humor" and "Best Assist" awards, she was the first PCS lacrosse player to receive a scholarship to play the sport in college.

Rottell was voted by MWCLA and was honorable mention attack for the 2009 All East Central League.

• Plymouth senior Elyse Ohryn, "Best Attitude" award.

• Canton sophomore Lauren Allard, "Hustle" and Scholar-Athlete awards.

• Canton freshman Stephanie Bower, "Most Improved Lady Warrior" and Scholar-Athlete awards.

• Salem senior and co-captain Melissa Giannini, "Toughest Lady Warrior" and Scholar-Athlete awards.

• Salem senior and co-captain Edra Burris, "Humor" award and recognized for establishing a Salem single-season goal record of 17. Also a Scholar-Athlete recipient.

• Plymouth sophomore Taylor Martin, "Most Reliable" and Scholar-Athlete awards.

• Canton senior and co-captain Natalie Sitko, "Wolf Team Spirit" and Scholar-Athlete awards.

• Canton sophomore Sarah Coleman, "Wolf Team Spirit" and Scholar-Athlete awards.

• Salem sophomore Lexi

O'Connor, tied for "Most Improved" award and also was honorable mention goalie for KLAA and second team goalkeeper for the 2009 All East Central League. Also a Scholar-Athlete recipient.

• Salem sophomore Meaghan Eldridge, "Leadership" award.

• Scholar-Athlete Awards also were presented to Plymouth sophomores Taylor Birman and Rhianna Fleisher, Canton junior Kylie Miller and Salem junior Stephanie Poe.

• All team members received certificates of participation, letters and pins. Those not yet named include: Canton senior and co-captain Stephanie Pettovello, Canton senior Abbeigail Epelman, Plymouth freshman Katelyn Hill, Plymouth freshman Shannon Lubin, Plymouth sophomore Lauren Manner, Salem sophomore Katie Meagher, Canton freshman Marissa Paponetti, Canton freshman Tessa Warner, Canton junior Cady Struble, Salem junior Jennifer Herzfeld, Plymouth junior Brittany Lewis and Salem junior Rachel Sedlik.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Summer programs and camps

The Plymouth Family YMCA also is offering a variety of summer sports programs and several clinics.

■ The summer programs (from July 13 through Aug. 17) will focus on fun, exercise and social interaction through instruction and include "Kickers and Shooters" soccer, preschool and youth basketball, preschool soccer class, preschool and youth baseball.

Morning and evening classes are available; ages vary by program but there is something for children between ages 3-9. Programs are open to YMCA members and community members.

■ Three sports clinics also are on tap through Plymouth Family YMCA. Those include baseball (July 21-25, for ages 9-11), soccer (July 28 through Aug. 1, ages 6-9) and basketball (Aug. 4-8, ages 6-9).

Call (734) 453-2904 or visit www.ymcadetroit.org for information on the summer programs and clinics.

PCEP alumni lacrosse

The fourth annual Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Men's Alumni Lacrosse Game is fast approaching, with game time slated for 1 p.m. Saturday, June 20.

It will be an "alumni vs. alumni" matchup, with teams picked prior to the start of action - so players should try to get to the PCEP Varsity (Turf) Field no later than 12:30 p.m.

Each player should bring a stick, helmet, full pads and any practice penny one might have. Officiators and scorekeepers will be provided.

For more information, contact PCEP Alumni Booster Nina Smithpeters at nsmithpeters@wowway.com.

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 interested 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.

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Is a golf course slope rating of 130 always really tough?

By Doug Hendershot

With nearly 900 golf courses in Michigan, there is certainly a wide range of golf course and slope ratings to select from. With this many courses you can find any degree of difficulty one chooses. And with some knowledge of the USGA Course Rating System, it is possible to find that special "hidden gem" that suits your game and makes the golfing experience even more fun.

The USGA Course Rating of a golf course (not slope rating) is designed to ensure that the rating of a golf course is in proper relation to the ratings of the other courses. This applies to your local courses, as well as courses throughout the entire United States.

The USGA Course Rating, generally found on a scorecard, is based on the performance of the scratch player and his or her scoring ability related to playing length and 10 obstacle factors.

This USGA Rating System also provides procedures for determining a Bogey Rating based on the performance of the bogey golfer and his or her scoring ability. This rating is used in connection with the USGA Course Rating to provide a slope rating. For a comprehensive list of all current USGA Course and Slope ratings in Michigan, go to www.gam.org and click the course finder tab under the Handicap section of the Golf Association of Michigan Web site.

OK, so now you have your list of courses that may be suited to your playing ability. It's time to take a closer look at both the course ratings and slope numbers to get a better feel for the type of poison you are about to be encounter. Through the collection of data on thousands of golfers and thousands of golf holes, the factors that affect the difficulty of a golf hole have been evaluated and assigned numerical

values that yield an accurate course rating and slope rating when applied to an entire course. The slope rating is an indicator of the relative difficulty of a course for players who are not scratch players. Since the vast majority of golfers are not scratch players, we will now take a closer look at what really makes a tough golf course.

With permission from the author, the following are excerpts from an article, "Setting the Record Straight," by David Parsigian:

"What do the ratings Mean? Many golfers and golf magazine editors believe "slope" is the best indicator of difficulty. This is incorrect. Slope allows the golfer to accurately determine the number of handicap strokes they are entitled to on a given golf course. That's it! The true key to fulfilling your need for self-punishment is course rating.

The USGA has weighted all of the factors for effective playing length and obstacles, and adjusted those weightings for how they affect the scratch and bogey player differently. Plugged into a formula with this weighting, the factors result in a different course rating for the scratch and bogey golfer.

Now we are ready to put it all together, the course rating represents the average of the better half of the scores of the scratch or bogey golfer under normal course and weather conditions. On a course rated 69.0 with a par 72, a scratch player will shoot that score one out of four times. So where does slope come in?

Slope simply measures how much more difficult a course is for the bogey golfer than the scratch golfer. The higher the slope, the greater the relative difference in difficulty between these two golfers.

So, if you perfectly fit the criteria

for a bogey golfer, slope is a reasonably good measure of difficulty. But a better one is to use the course and slope rating to determine the bogey rating. Below is the formula for men. Once you've figured out the bogey rating, you'll know that a bogey golfer will, on average, shoot that score only one out of four times.

Course Rating (Bogey) = Course Rating (Scratch) + (Slope Rating divided by 5.381), for women, just replace 5.381 with 4.24."

Now that I have empowered you with course rating knowledge, you can look at both the USGA slope and course rating to decide if a "130 Slope" is really that tough. Hint, "Remember to look at the course rating."

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From the DDA:
Construction was expected to start this week on the Central Parking Deck and is expecting to run through mid-August. The upper level of the deck is expected to be closed for about two weeks.

Construction Update
Courtesy the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority:
• Genuine Toy Company - Finish work con-

tinues on the interior of the space. Owners expect to open later this month.
• E.G. Nicks - Work on the new outdoor patio and entrance is complete and opened last week.
• Ironwood Grill - Interior finish work continues on the space. Owner Dan Johnson hopes to open in mid-July.
• Plaka Mediterranean Grill - Interior finish work is nearly complete. Owners hope to open in the near future.

New yoga stop
Come join your friends and neighbors at Miss Harriet's Dance Studio for a gentle flow yoga class. We meet every Wednesday and Friday at 9 a.m. and share an experience that builds awareness of breath, movement and relaxation. Participants of all fitness levels are welcome and encouraged to work at the level that is comfortable for them that day. Modifications are given to increase or decrease the intensity of postures. Terri Irler, owner of Miss Harriet's, and Tricia Ptak believe that it is very important for us to have a way to give back to the community. This is a way to offer healing for those who truly need yoga but who might be afraid to try or who simply cannot afford classes at a yoga

studio (average is \$17 per drop in). Donation is the act of giving from the heart, allowing you to pay what you can. Miss Harriet's is located in the Northville Square Mall at 133 W. Main Street, Suite 190 in downtown Northville. Contact Tricia Ptak at yogatrish@wowway.com or (734) 259-9588 for more information.

Karmann PR
Karmann USA, a leading supplier of automotive convertible tops, has selected AutoCom Associates as its public relations agency of record in North America.

Founded in 1996, Karmann USA is based in Plymouth Township and is a subsidiary of the Karmann Group. The world's leading Tier-1 supplier of convertible tops, the Karmann Group also has served as the contract manufacturer of several complete vehicles, including the VW Karmann Ghia, the VW Beetle convertible and the Mercedes-Benz CLK convertible. At its Plymouth Township campus, Karmann USA employs more than 300 people. In addition to the manufacture of convertible roof-top systems, Karmann USA provides OEMs with world class engineering solutions and recently launched a new aftermarket unit -- Karmann Classics - a convertible top



Dining al fresco

Work on the new patio and entrance to E.G. Nicks in downtown Plymouth was completed last week. Outdoor dining is now available at the restaurant. E.G. Nicks is located at 500 Forest Ave. in Plymouth.

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IT'S YOUR BUSINESS Q&A

Human touch: Firm provides personnel 'Foundation'

Observer: Please tell us about your business.

Foundation Team: The Foundation Team is a Human Resource Outsourcing firm that utilizes the Professional Employer Organization business model to provide you the human resource management "foundation" to grow your business cost effectively. You maintain complete control over hiring, firing, compensation, and all worksite related tasks and duties. We "lease" your employees from you and become your offsite Human Resource department administering payroll and all aspects of payroll taxes, employee benefits, insurance administration coordination, Workers' Compensation claims management, as well as providing comprehensive human resource support including government compliance, employee handbooks and much more. Our services include human resource administration, payroll administration and benefits administration.

Observer: What makes your business unique?
Foundation Team: Unlike other Human Resource outsourcing firms or PEO's we truly act like our clients HR department. Our clients have full on-line access to all their employee information;

THE FOUNDATION TEAM

- Business Name: The Foundation Team
- Business Address: 127 South Main, Suite 2, Plymouth
- Tom Young, partner, Plymouth; Paul Andersen, partner, Northville; Bill Lang, partner, Franklin
- Business Opened: Started in 2005, opened Plymouth office in September 2008
- Number of Employees: 7
- Your Business Specialty: The Foundation Team is one of the fastest growing Human Resource Outsourcing firms utilizing a Professional Employer Organizations (PEO) business model in metro Detroit. A PEO is a provider of comprehensive human resource services for small and medium-sized businesses.
- Hours of Operation: Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
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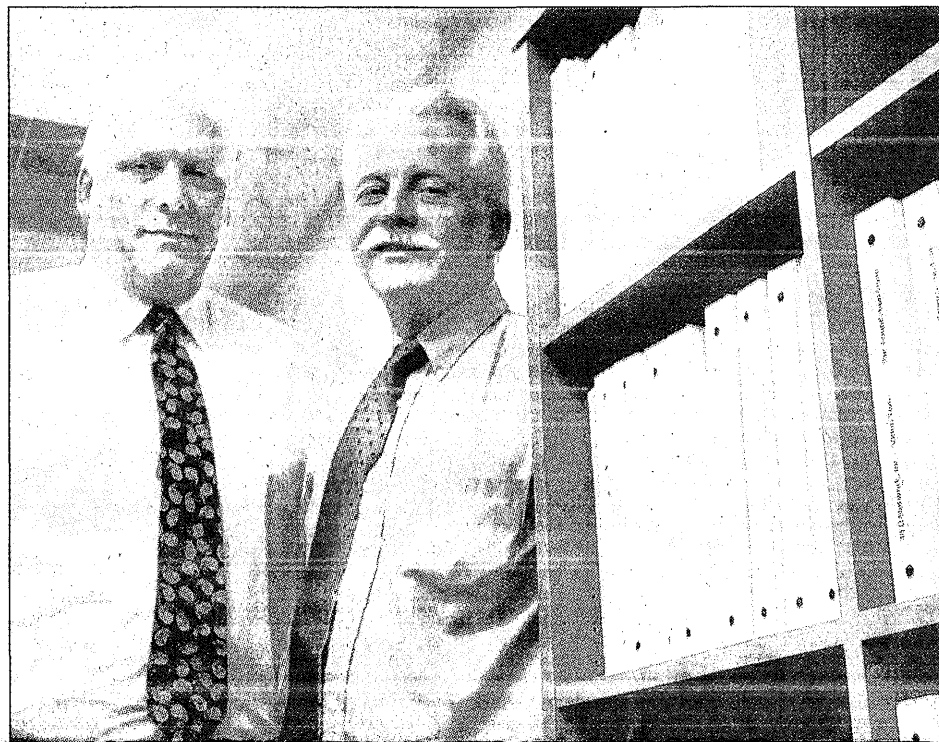
Observer: How did you first decide to open your own business?

Foundation Team: This is not the first business the partners have owned. We decided to get into this business because we could not

find a local PEO that provided the transparent information that we felt was required for small business owners to properly manage their operations.

Observer: How did you decide to locate in the Plymouth community?

Foundation Team: We selected Plymouth because it was centrally located to our clients and gave us access to both the metro Detroit and Ann Arbor business communities which have a large number of small businesses that we felt we could best support.



Tom Young and Paul Andersen are part of The Foundation Team.

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CHAMBER CHAT

New Web site

Better graphics, more pictures, more capabilities and guitars are all part of the dynamic new Chamber web site (www.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,



Wes Graff

list your business in a different category or add a link to your Web site. 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

Golf outing

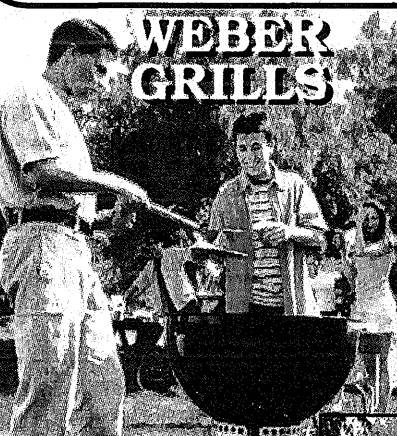
The Chamber Golf Outing, Monday, July 13, at Northville Hills Golf Club, is looking for volunteers and gift items for golfers

For this year's outing we are seeking volunteers to assist with registration and on course contests. Volunteers can join us for sun, fun, lunch and a great time with our 100 golfers. Volunteers can work part of the day or the entire event. Golfers start arriving at 10:30, tee-off at 12:30 and will be off the course at 5:30. If you are interested, please contact the Chamber at (734) 453-1540.

There are other ways you can showcase your business if you are not golfing in this year's outing by being a sponsor, donating a silent auction item or providing items for the golfers' gift bags. Also, if you are interested in golfing in this year's outing there is still room to play. The golfing package includes lunch, refreshments on the course, cocktails and dinner. Foursomes also receive a tee sign, sponsor recognition and one free raffle ticket.

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Oooh ... aahh ... fireworks!

BY SHARON DARGAY
O&E STAFF WRITER

The Rev. Faith Fowler promises "out of this world" food, a "spectacular view" and a sky-high seat for anyone who attends Catch the Fireworks with Cass on Wednesday, June 24 in downtown Detroit.

Rev. Fowler heads Cass Community Social Services, (CCSS) the organization that will benefit from the \$250 per ticket fund-raiser set in the Coach Insignia restaurant at the top of the Renaissance Center.

"This is our fourth or fifth year (for the fund-raiser). There's nothing better. It doesn't feel like many other fund-raisers — it's pure fun."

The event will start at 6 p.m., with a gourmet strolling dinner, open bar and silent auction. Ticket-holders will get an in-your-face view of the pyrotechnics at approximately 10 p.m. Honorary chairman, Earvin "Magic" Johnson will be on hand to meet and mingle with other guests. Parking is included in the ticket price.

"For me it puts everything in perspective. From that height you can see for miles, from Detroit to the suburbs. You see how it all is one piece of the pie."

Rev. Fowler said ticket proceeds this year will benefit CCSS' operating budget because some of the grants the organization has depended on in the past have been "slashed."

"More and more people are needing help with emergency services, in particular as they are facing foreclosure."

CCSS runs eight sites throughout Detroit, offering food, permanent and transitional housing, clothing, medical aid, job training and placement, and youth mentoring and recreation.

Tickets for Catch the Fireworks with Cass are available by calling (313) 883-2277 or by visiting casscommunity.org.

Representatives from one of CCSS' Green industries will be on hand June 19-20 at the Canton Liberty Fest, selling mud mats made from discarded tires. Check out their booth in the festival's "green" area.

The Parade Company's VIP Rooftop Party will benefit the Michigan Thanksgiving Parade Foundation and offers a view of the Target Fireworks from atop the Miller Parking Garage. Benefit tickets are \$175 and children's tickets (6 and under) are \$75. Entertainment, food, games and children's activities will keep participants busy until the fireworks start. Buy tickets at (313) 432-7831.

LIBERTY FEST

John LaFever is in "crunch mode" this week as the 18th annual Liberty Fest — three days of entertainment, food, games, carnival rides, with a car display, parade and fireworks — gets underway in Canton.

LaFever coordinates the festival, including the fireworks, and says every seat in Heritage Park offers a great view of the 40-minute display.

"Anywhere within the park you're within 300 yards away from where they're being shot," he said. "The amphitheater is usually packed because we have entertainment leading up to it and we've added a second stage."

"Some people sit in their cars, but the regulars will bring a lawn chair or blanket."

LaFever suggests that viewers wait for the grand finale and "not be faked out" by the great displays leading up to the end of the show.

"Some people left early last year," he explained.

He's a fan of the fireworks that "blow out like a flower," but says viewers will see a variety of dazzling colors and shapes.

"We change the show every year based on comments we

get." Heritage Park is located on Heritage Park Drive, west of S. Canton Center Road, south of Cherry Hill.

Look for a more fluid show this year with less time between each spectacular display. Other upcoming fireworks displays:

LIVONIA

Fireworks cap Spree 59, the city's annual birthday celebration from June 23 to June 28. The 30-minute show starts at 10:15 p.m., Sunday, June 28, at Ford Field, located between Stark and Farmington roads, between Lyndon and Schoolcraft. Shuttles will run from noon until after the fireworks, from Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive, south of 5 Mile and east of Farmington Road.

WESTLAND

The Westland Summer Festival runs July 1-5 on the grounds of Westland City Hall, located south of Ford Road, east of Newburgh. The fireworks show, one of the largest in the tri-county area, starts at approximately 10:15 p.m.

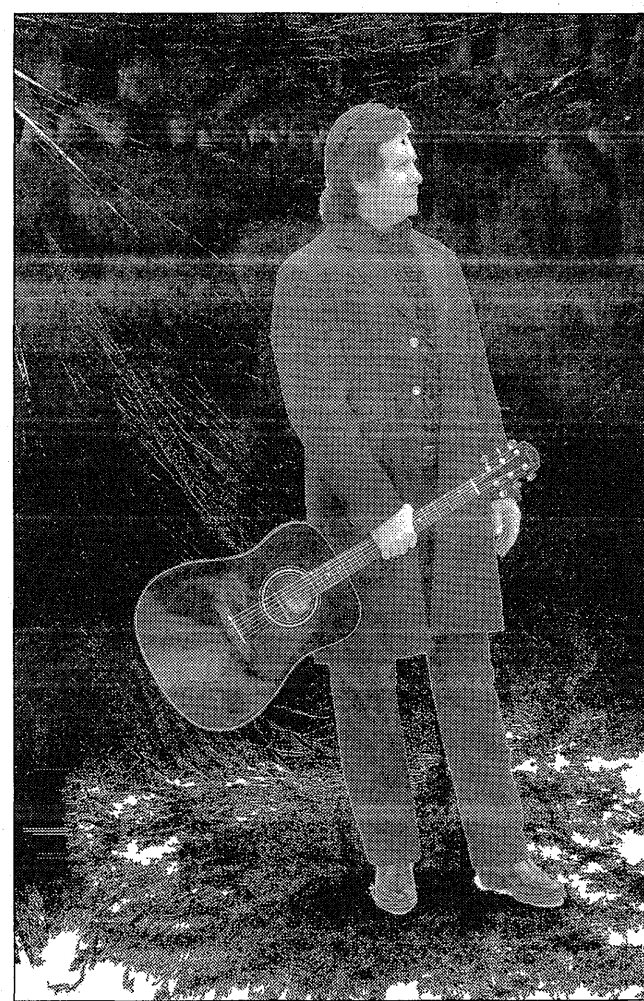


See the 51st annual Target Fireworks and help Cass Community Social Services at the same time, Wednesday, June 24 in downtown Detroit.



Gypsy swing

Music lovers can enjoy an evening of hot acoustic jazz music with the Caravan Gypsy Swing Ensemble 8 p.m. Saturday, June 27, at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill in Canton. All seats are \$15-general admission. Currently on tour promoting their self titled release "Caravan Gypsy Swing Ensemble" on Hot String Swing Records, this ensemble is an instrumental acoustic jazz group based out of Madison, Wis. For more information, or to purchase tickets, visit www.canton-mi.org/villagetheater. Tickets can also be purchased at Summit on the Park by phone at (734) 394-5460 or in person.



Starring in the Park

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Concertgoers will also be helping the Gleaners Community Food Bank of Southeastern Michigan.

In conjunction with Palace Sports & Entertainment, the two groups have also partnered with Oldies 104.3 WOMC and WXYZ - Channel 7 to support the 15th Annual Woodward Dream Cruise. A portion of the ticket proceeds will benefit the Woodward Dream Cruise charities.

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Calahan's: Summertime blues concerts, 8 p.m. Ronnie Baker Brooks, June 18; Cedric Burnside & Lightnin' Malco & Olm, June 19...

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Comerica Park: Kid Rock, July 18; Vans Warped Tour, July 31; 1-800-745-3000, Ticketmaster.com...

Fox Theatre: Aretha Franklin, July 11, 2211 Woodward, Detroit, Ticketmaster.com (248) 433-1515...

June 20: The Motorflys, June 19; The Lemonheads, June 21; Taylor Hicks, June 22; The Cliks, June 23...

June 20: The Motorflys, June 19; The Mega 80's, June 20; The Lemonheads, June 21; Taylor Hicks, June 22...

Canton's Liberty Fest offers fun for whole family, fireworks too

Enjoy a full lineup of rides, games and special attractions as Liberty Fest returns to Heritage Park in Canton June 19 - 20.

This year's festival kicks off from 1 p.m. to dusk on Thursday, June 18, with a special sneak preview of Family Zone activities...

On Friday and Saturday, the Family Zone will feature over 30 rides, midway games, inflatables and attractions...

Hero Tournament. A day-long wristband is \$20 or \$1 per ticket for the rides and attractions.

All ages will enjoy the entertainment, which starts Friday with a 4:15 p.m. performance by Juice...

Saturday's highlights include: the Annual Liberty Fest Parade down Ford Road; the Iron Chef Competition...

and "Rock n Roll K9," and the International Festival.

Back by popular demand, America's Most Wanted Car Show will be located around the pond throughout the day on Saturday.

Mick Archer's Dueling Piano Show Saturday evening will be followed with a spectacular fireworks show at dusk.

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Celebrate Dad with dinner and a toast

Carrabba's Italian Grill suggests two ways to make Dad happy on Father's Day.

First, whip up a tasty steak or chicken dinner from an authentic family recipe by Carrabba's founders, Johnny Carrabba and Damian Mandola.

Next, raise a glass and honor Dad with a toast. And don't forget to enter Carrabba's Toast to Dad contest online. He'll thank you if the entry wins the grand prize four-day trip to Napa Valley for two. It includes a tour of the Rubicon Estate and Francis Ford Coppola Winery, a case of Coppola wine and dinner with a Coppola winemaker for the prize recipient and their dad.

Ten runners-up will get dinner for four and Coppola wine at Carrabba's. All contestants will receive a certificate for a free appetizer valid on a future Carrabba's visit.

The restaurant has eight locations in Michigan, including Canton and Novi.

Enter the contest through June 30 at www.carrabbas.com.

CHICKEN BRYAN

(Yields 1 serving)

Ingredients:

1 chicken breast, boneless, skinless
2 teaspoons salt
3 teaspoons pepper
4 tablespoons olive oil
2 ounces goat cheese
2 ounces Lemon Butter Sauce
10-12 pieces sundried tomatoes
2 tablespoons fresh basil, chopped



Chicken Bryan

Instructions:

Season chicken on both sides with salt and pepper. Dab with olive oil.

Grill chicken until cooked to a minimum internal temperature of 165 degrees, and then place goat cheese on each side of the breast and continue to cook until warm.

To a sauté pan add the lemon butter sauce, sundried tomatoes, and the basil. Place over medium flame until hot. Do not overheat or sauce will break.

When done, place chicken on a hot plate with grill spatula and spoon sauce over. Accompany chicken with choice of side.

LEMON BUTTER SAUCE

Ingredients:

4 tablespoons butter
2 teaspoons onion, chopped

2 teaspoons fresh garlic chopped
3 tablespoons white wine
4 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
Pinch White pepper to taste

Instructions:

In a sauté pan place 1 tablespoon butter, and sauté onions and garlic until softened. Add white wine and lemon juice; simmer approximately 10 minutes on medium-low heat to reduce. A little at a time, add remaining 3 tablespoons butter until butter melts and mixture emulsifies.

MARSALA DI CARRABBA

4 ounce sirloin steak
4 ounce chicken breast (pounded thin)
¼ cup sliced button mushrooms
2 teaspoons yellow onion (fine chopped)
½ cup dry marsala wine
12-15 pieces of prosciutto ham (thinly sliced, cut into ¼ inch strips)
½ stick unsalted butter
Flour
Salt
Black pepper
Italian parsley (finely chopped)

Instructions:

Season the sirloin and grill to desired temperature. While the steak cooks, prepare the rest of the dish.

Lightly season chicken with salt and black pepper. Heat oil or clarified butter over medium high heat in a sauté pan. When the oil is hot, lightly dredge the chicken in flour and add to sauté pan.

Cook chicken for 2-3 minutes until browned and then flip over. Cook about 1 minute more, add the mushrooms and cook for another minute. When chicken is almost finished, add the Marsala wine, prosciutto, onion, a pinch of salt and black pepper, and allow the wine to reduce by 85 percent. When most of the wine has been evaporated, remove from heat and toss the chicken and mushrooms well. The wine should be almost all evaporated and reduced to a thick syrup.

Allow the pan to cool for a minute. Cut the butter into small cubes (about 6). Return the pan to low heat and, using a wire whip, fold the butter into the reduced wine one cube at a time. Stir constantly as you add the butter. Do not allow the sauce to get too hot or it will separate. After all the butter is folded in, add chopped parsley and toss.

Place the cooked sirloin on a plate. Place the sautéed chicken on the plate and spoon the remaining sauce over the chicken and sirloin. Serve with your favorite side of pasta or vegetable.



Marsala Di Canabba

CITY BITES

Donating Produce

NORTHVILLE — Seed producers, green house growers, and garden retailers all report booming sales as more families plan vegetable gardens this year to save on food costs. In Northville, volunteers at the food pantry Civic Concern hope most of those gardeners will plant a row of produce to donate to Wayne County residents in need.

"We're thrilled by a partnership with the Master Gardener Association of Wayne County and the Northville Farmers Market which will allow us to distribute fresh produce to our clients," stated Marlene Kunz, Director of Civic Concern.

"Every Thursday at the Northville Farmers Market home gardeners can drop off produce at the Master Gardeners' booth until the Market closes at 3 p.m.," said Sher Watkins, market master. "And if the rabbits get to the romaine before gardeners do, they can consider purchasing produce from one of the market's vendors and walking it over to the Master Gardeners in booth #57 for the benefit of Civic Concern."

Produce collection at the Master Gardener booth continues every Thursday through Sept. 24. Community gardeners also may donate produce directly to Civic Concern, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday, Wednesday or Friday, at its location in Highland Lakes Shopping Center, 42951 Seven Mile.

Tagalong Blizzards

WAYNE COUNTY — No, you can't earn a Girl Scout patch for ordering Dairy Queen's newest Blizzard. But you'll satisfy off-season cravings for Girl Scout cookies as you spoon your way through the vanilla soft serve ice cream layered with crispy Tagalongs, the peanut butter patties sold by troops every February and March.

The Tagalong Blizzard will be Dairy Queen's flavor of the month for July, just in time for Girl Scouts Appreciation week beginning July 20. The DQ will celebrate with events at its locations nationwide.

This is the second year that Dairy Queen has partnered with the Girl Scouts. Last year's team-up resulted in the Thin Mint Blizzard, which will be August's Blizzard flavor of the month this year.

The average price of the Girl Scouts Tagalongs Peanut Butter Patties Blizzard and the Thin Mint Cookie Blizzard is \$3.09 for the 12 ounce, \$3.49 for the 16 ounce and \$3.99 for the 21 ounce.

Free Pizza

WESTLAND — There's just one week left to win a free Toarmina's Pizza in celebration of the restaurant chain's 22nd anniversary. The restaurant opened in Westland in 1987 and now has locations in Canton, Livonia, Novi, Plymouth, South Lyon and many other communities.

"We are showing our gratitude by offering 22,000 dollars in free pizzas to our loyal customers," stated founder Lou Toarmina. "We hope that by celebrating our 22nd anniversary with a bang we can attract new customers and at the same time reward the customers who have been coming to us for years."

Toarmina's Pizza is calling customers to let them know they've won a free 12-inch pie.

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- 35 Aries mo.
- 36 Raises the alarm
- 37 Rice entrees
- 39 Sushi-bar selection
- 40 Ledger entry

- 41 Rice fields
- 45 Airport offering (hyph.)
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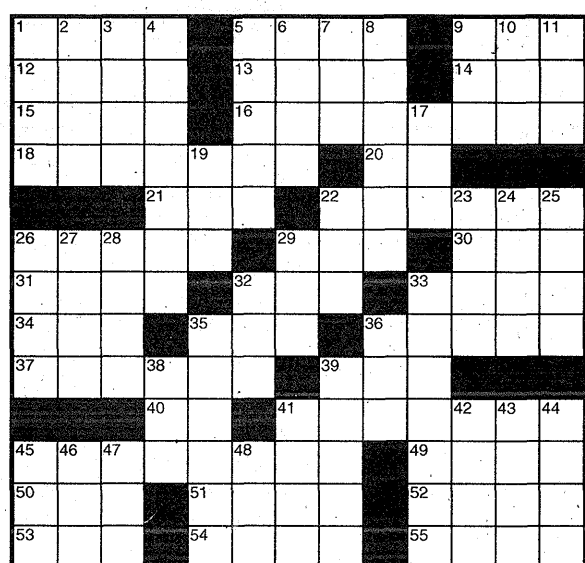
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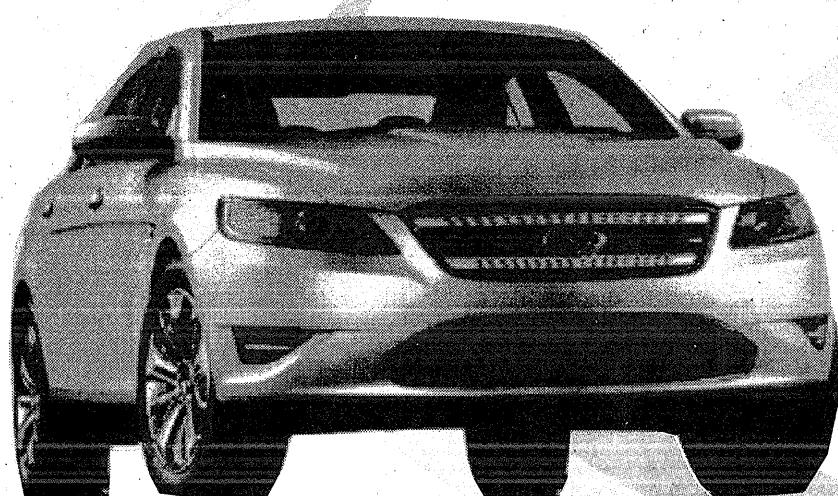
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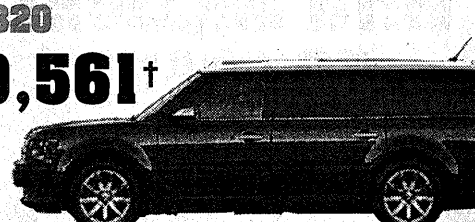


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