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## PIPELINE

### Sweet steps

PLAV Post #166 and VFW Post #6695 will co-host a Sweetest Day Dance 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Oct. 17, at the VFW Post located at 1436 Mill in Plymouth.

Tickets, which are tax deductible, are \$10 each and are available at the VFW lounge/club room. Entertainment will be provided by Benny Spear, of Benny and the Jets (specializing in 50s and 60s music) along with Greg Jaqua (an Elvis impersonator). There will be door prizes offered throughout the evening along with a cash bar.

For more information, call (734)459-6700.

### Page search

The Plymouth Community Chamber's Web site is on the first page of listings on major search engines when looking for information on "Plymouth Michigan."

Placement on the front page when people are searching for general information about the community is important in directing traffic to the Chamber's site, said Wes Graff, executive director of the Plymouth chamber.

Plymouth is listed in the following positions on the front page of these major search engines: Google: #7; Bing (Microsoft): #3 and #6; Yahoo: #8; Altavista: #11; Ask.com: #12; and Lycos: #8

"Since the chamber launched our new site earlier this year we have worked closely with our web developer, Powerful Design, to improve our position with the major search engines," Graff said. "For example, just last fall we were on the second page of Yahoo when searching "Plymouth, Michigan" and now we have moved to the first page.

On the Plymouth site, the two most viewed categories are the community events section followed by the business search of chamber members. To view the chamber's site go to [www.plymouthmich.org](http://www.plymouthmich.org).

### 'Rent' roles

Destination Theatre is holding auditions for their fall production of the Broadway hit "Rent" Monday and Tuesday.

Auditions take place 7-10 p.m. at the Village Theatre at Cherry Hill in Canton. Actors must be 18 or older, officials said, because the play contains adult content.

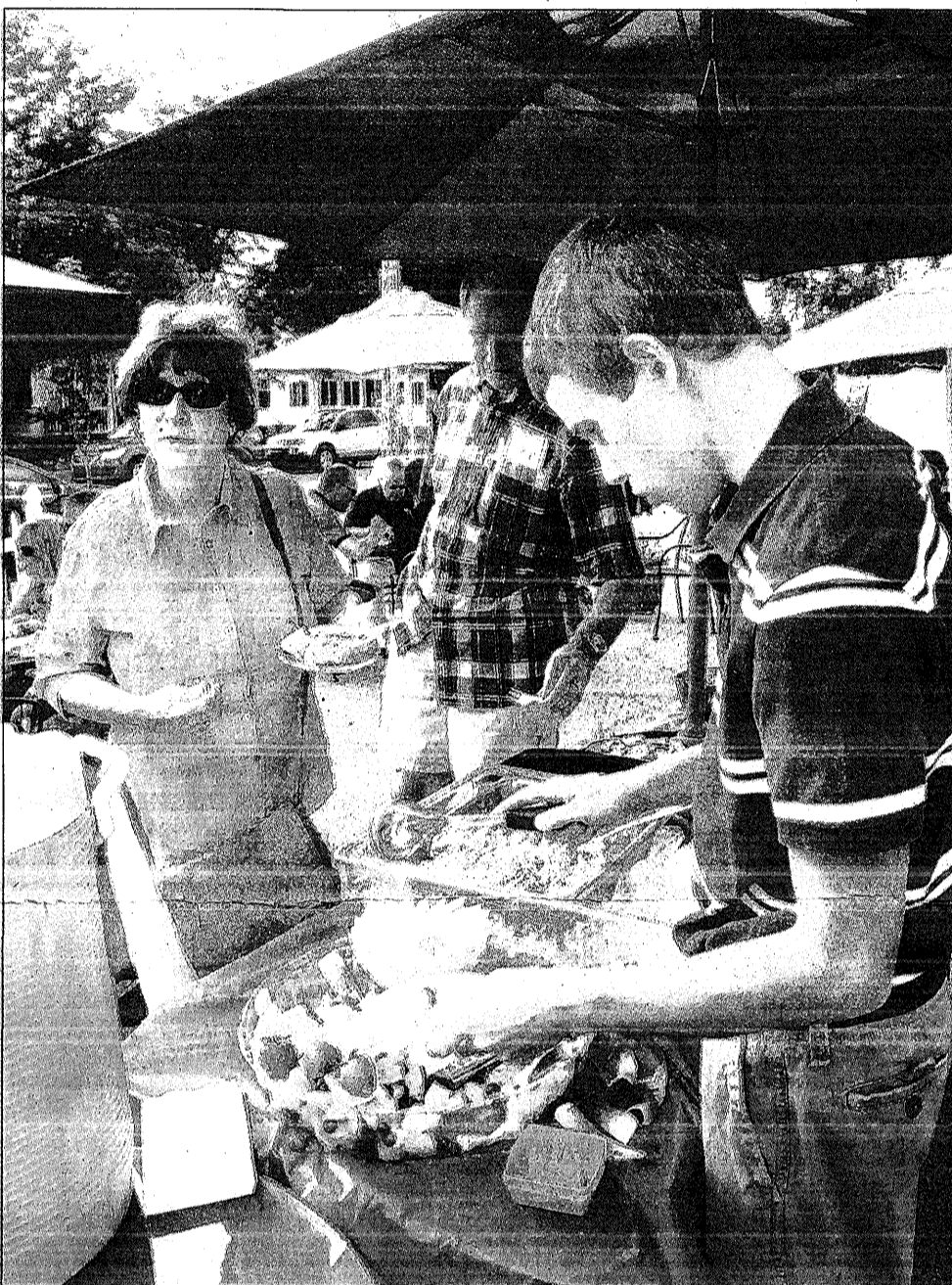
The production, directed by Timo Anderson with music by Kylee Phillips, hits the stage Oct. 29-31, Nov. 1 and Nov. 5-7.

For more information on the auditions and on Destination Theatre, visit the group's Web site at [www.DestinationTheatre.org](http://www.DestinationTheatre.org)



Old Village Restaurant Crawl diners enjoyed the patio dining at Hermann's Olde Town Grille Wednesday.

## Succulent success



PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

At Crawford's Kitchen, Devin Tovey serves fruit salad to Christina Clark of Plymouth. Also on Crawford's menu during Wednesday's Old Village Restaurant Crawl was chili, cherry nut chicken wraps, cinnamon rolls and redskin potato salad.

### Sellout crowd 'Crawls' way through food fare

BY MATT JACHMAN  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Postcard-perfect weather and a sampling of some of Plymouth's best food had the streets of Old Village, uh, crawling with people Wednesday evening.

It was the annual Old Village Restaurant Crawl, a chance to try fare from five neighborhood eateries and the Liberty Street Brewing Co., plus socialize with other diners and

explore the business and residential district on the city's north side.

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce-sponsored event was a sellout, with about 250 participants.

"It's a great move for us. It's not so much the advertising as it is meeting people, making friends," said Vince Toia, the owner of Plymouth Fish & Seafood, which served up battered fish, cole slaw and a raspberry drink. "Now they know we're here."

"Bringing in a lot of new guests," said Ania Crawford, the co-owner, with husband Jeff, of Crawford's Kitchen, next to Plymouth Fish & Seafood on Starkweather. Crawford said she

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## Firefighters, township spar over transport

BY MATT JACHMAN  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

As Plymouth and Plymouth Township officials look at ways to contain the cost of firefighting and emergency medical services, Plymouth Community Fire Department firefighters say they can bring in additional revenue by transporting more patients on medical runs.

Fire Lt. Rick Tefend, president of the International Association of Firefighters local that represents PCFD firefighters, said transporting patients to local hospitals 100 percent of the time could mean \$550,000 to \$750,000 a year, or more, in transport fees.

Township officials, however, question those numbers. The fire department, with a budget of about \$4 million a year, provides services for the township and the city of Plymouth and is managed by the township, which finances some 75 percent of its budget, with input from city officials.

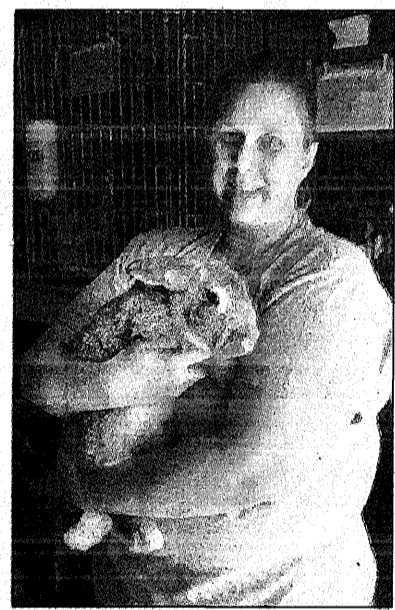
Fire department paramedics currently transport patients in about 10 to 15 percent of medical runs. The private Huron Valley Ambulance transports the majority of patients, and bills for that service, even when fire department paramedics are first to arrive on a scene and provide care. Of some 2,677 medical runs last year, 1,738 patients were transported to a hospital by either HVA or the fire department, Reaume said.

"I've got a perfect, guaranteed plan for them," Tefend said. On the lower end of his estimate, the new revenue would pay for five firefighters; on the higher end, it would pay for seven, Tefend said.

"They're basically just giving that money to HVA. We've gone to them many times and said we'll transport," he said.

Tefend said more patient transports would require addi-

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### Rascally rabbits

Lisa Powell holds Denier, a rabbit resident of the Midwest Rabbit Rescue shelter in Plymouth's Old Village. The shelter holds a fund-raiser this week to try and raise money to run the \$50,000-a-year shelter. For more on the fund-raiser and on Midwest Rabbit Rescue, please turn to Page A5.

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## Plymouth post offices not on list to close

BY MATT JACHMAN  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

As the U.S. Postal Service considers closing postal stations, including 15 in the Detroit area, in order to deal with a budget crunch, the two stations that serve the Plymouth area are not on that list.

"Nothing at this moment in Plymouth is slated for consolidation," said Ed Moore, a Postal Service spokesman for the Detroit area.

That was good news for visitors to Plymouth's downtown station on Penniman Friday afternoon.

"This post office gives wonderful service, it's convenient and it's historic," said Bob Hess of Plymouth, who added that during some weeks he's at the station every day. "To close it would" mean disrespecting Carl Pursell, the late Congressman from the Plymouth area for whom the sta-

tion is named, Hess said.

"I'd rather bring (mail) to the local branch than put it in a drop box," said Jill Arella of Plymouth Township. She agreed the downtown station is convenient, "except for the parking."

The Plymouth area's main post office is on Clipper Street, just west of Beck Road and south of Five Mile. Plymouth Township Clerk Joe Bridgman said the branch is sensitive to the township's needs, especially when it comes to absentee ballots at election time.

"The Plymouth post office bends over backwards for us to make sure they get our ballots mailed out in a timely manner (and) make sure they get them back in a timely manner," Bridgman said. "They have been just overwhelmingly supportive of us when it comes to election time."

The branch even goes so far as to collect incoming absentee ballots on

election days, Bridgman said, and hold them for his office to pick up that evening. Absent that, Bridgman said, such ballots would be delivered to the township the day after the election, too late to be counted.

"That's probably above and beyond what most post offices do," he said.

Among the post offices that could be closed or consolidated into others are the branch in the city of Wayne and the station inside Westland Mall, according to a press release from Moore's office. Customers of those branches are being asked to fill out questionnaires in order to help postal officials make their decisions.

Moore said the Postal Service ended the most recent quarter with a \$2.4 billion operating loss, and could see a loss of \$7 billion for its fiscal year.

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**Senior splash**

Plymouth seniors during last year's Western Wayne County Senior Olympics. The fifth annual Western Wayne County Senior Olympics take place in various communities, including Plymouth, for men and women age 50 or older during the week of Aug. 17. Opening day festivities kick off 8 a.m. Monday, Aug. 17, at Hines Park with the Opening Day Expo, Breakfast with Robert Ficano, Opening Ceremony-Torch Lighting, and a 5K Run. Following will be a Fun Walk and Softball Throw at 10 a.m., then a Frisbee Toss, Football Toss, Bean Bag Kick and Soccer Kick. Other locations in Wayne County will be hosting events Aug. 17 as well, including euchre at the Plymouth Cultural Center at 1:30 p.m., Ballroom Dancing at September Days at 2 p.m. and a Basketball Shoot in Canton at 2 p.m.

**AROUND PLYMOUTH**

"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

**PCA golf outing**

A golf outing to benefit Plymouth Christian Academy, a preschool through 12th grade educational organization serving the Plymouth-Canton and surrounding communities, is being held Monday, Aug. 24, at Fox Hills Golf Club in Plymouth.

The 18 hole scramble tournament on the Golden Fox course will have an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start. Cost is \$100 per golfer and includes 18 holes of golf with a cart, lunch, prizes, course contests, silent auction and keynote speaker. Sponsorship and advertising opportunities are also available.

Jim Nill, vice president/assistant general manager of the Detroit Red Wings, is the keynote speaker and featured guest for this event. The goal of this golf outing is to

establish an exciting day of golf that raises money for a locker room expansion project at PCA.

For more information, contact Julie Dart, PCA Director of Development, via e-mail at JDart@plymouthchristian.org

**Tiny Tots Preschool**

The Salvation Army Tiny Tots Preschool still has openings for classes beginning in September.

There are three classes available: Monday-Wednesday-Friday mornings from 8:45-11:15 a.m. for 4-year-olds; Tuesday-Thursday mornings from 8:45-11 a.m. for 3 year olds; and Tuesday-Thursday afternoons from 11:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. for 3 or 4 year olds.

Tuition is \$130 a month for the Monday-Wednesday-Friday class, and \$95 a month for either Tuesday-Thursday class. There is a one time registration fee of \$35.

For more information, call (734) 453-5464 or view the Salvation Army's Web site at www.misalplymouth.org.

**Chiefettes clinic**

Youngsters who would like to be a Junior Canton Chiefette have their chance. The Chiefettes are hosting a Kids' PomPon Clinic for children ages 5-14 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 29, at the Canton High School gym in the Phase III building.

Cost is \$40 per child and includes a T-shirt and snack. Discounts are available for additional siblings. Parents are invited to come see their daughters perform at noon and all girls attending the clinic will be invited to perform at the Chiefettes annual variety show on Sept. 19.

Registration is from 8:30-9 a.m. the morning of the clinic. Pre-register at www.cantonchiefettes.com before Aug. 27 and receive a \$5 discount. Registration is limited to the first 100 participants.

For more information e-mail PomClinic@cantonchiefettes.com



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# TRANSPORT

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tional personnel; he estimated five or six paramedics would have to be added to the current force of 25.

But he proposed transporting 100 percent of the time for one year with the current staffing level, then putting half of the additional revenue toward new hires.

"Our membership is behind transporting. ... We want to do it for the citizens and we're willing to do it," Tefend said.

Township Supervisor Richard Reaume, however, said the best estimate for 100-percent patient transporting is about \$400,000 a year. The township currently brings in not quite \$100,000 yearly for the transports the department does perform, Reaume said.

"I don't know where they're going to get \$500,000 to \$700,000," Reaume said. "There's no guarantee."

For the patient transports it does make, the department charges \$325 for a basic life support run and \$575 for an advanced life support run. The bills are typically paid for by insurers or by Medicare; Reaume said the amount of uncollectable ambulance fees would go up along with the number of transports.

By comparison, in Canton Township, which does all patient transports on medical runs, the revenue is about \$1.1 million a year, Reaume said. But Canton's population of 85,000 is more than twice that served by the PCFD, and Canton has I-275 running through it as well as a busy stretch of Ford Road. (Plymouth Township has stretches of I-275 and M-14 running through it, Reaume acknowledged, and many medical runs are to those free-ways.)

Reaume said more patient transports would mean paramedics would be out of the community for longer periods. "We're keeping more firefighters and paramedics in the community," he said.

In addition to personnel costs, Reaume said, the revenue from more transports would also be offset by added fuel costs and equipment wear and tear.

Fire Chief Mark Wendel said he's a fan of having department paramedics do patient transports, and would not be opposed to doing all transports. But he agreed there could be additional costs.

"If it's going to cost me more money, where's the savings? Where's the benefit?" Wendel said.

Wendel suggested that if elected officials want to go that route, they could have the department do all transports for a year with current personnel, then use that experience as a way of determining personnel needs for a possible permanent expanded transport program.

"The bottom line is determining the level of service the elected officials want to provide," Wendel said.

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# CRAWL

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has customers who make the Crawl a yearly family tradition.

Besides Plymouth Fish & Seafood and Crawford's, participating restaurants included Hermann's Olde Town Grille and Station 885. Liberty Street Brewing and Mill Street Gourmet Pastries joined forces for the dessert course, serving up pastries and beer samples in a second-floor lounge at the brewery.

Crawlers enjoyed the clear, mild weather almost as much as the food.

"You couldn't order up better weather," said Matthew Allen of Plymouth Township, who played acoustic guitar, accompanied by recorded drum and bass tracks, outside Olde Village Market, one door north of Plymouth Fish & Seafood. Allen played soft-rock classics and several of his own compositions.

"Last year we were chasing plates" because of the wind, Toia said.

The Crawl meant good public relations for Old Village, which last month saw Starkweather packed for the Bumpers, Bikes and Blues car and motorcycle show and music festival.

"It's just getting more and more people



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Plymouth Fish owner Vince Toia and Morgan Gosbee serve up their famous fish and cole slaw with dill to Marie Zyren of Westland.

familiar with Old Village," said Nick Hermann, the co-owner, with wife Sally, of Hermann's Olde Town Grille. "This is one of the things I really look forward to every year."

Diners said they enjoyed the camaraderie as well as the food.

First-timers Joe and Pauline Hayes of Plymouth Township said they ran into old friends and visited several restaurants for the first time. "For 15 bucks, this is a deal," Joe Hayes said.

"More food than you could ever handle," Dave Trumpy of Farmington Hills said as he and his wife, Jeanne, left Crawford's. It was their last stop, they said.

Their courses were out of order. What about dessert?

"We were there," he said. "We got dessert."

Proceeds from the Crawl are divided between participating businesses and the Chamber of Commerce.

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# EDUCATION

## Financial aid

### Foundation helps students with the cost of college

BY BRAD KADRICH  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

College is an expensive proposition, and Fernanda Pereira of Canton knows it's not getting any cheaper.

That's why she was so happy when officials of the Canton Community Foundation announced its annual list of scholarship winners. Pereira, a 2009 graduate of Canton High School, won a \$2,000 scholarship sponsored by Yazaki North America, Inc.

"It adds up - buying storage bins for your room, whatever - it all adds up," said Pereira, who will study chemical engineering at Western Michigan University. "I just received a letter saying the costs are increasing this year because of the economy. (The scholarship) is going to help out a lot."

Pereira is one of 23 students of all ages and all hopes and dreams to earn more than \$20,000 in scholarships handed out by the CCF. She found out about it naturally enough - from a notice placed on the school's bulletin board used for just such a purpose.

Her scholarship could actually be worth \$8,000 - it's renewable for four years if she keeps her grade point average up (she was a 3.96 student at Canton High School). It would give her a good start on her career - when she decides on one.

"That's why I like chemical engineering, it's very broad," Pereira said. "You can go into nutrition, pharmacy, alternative energy ... you can do all kinds of things with a degree like that. And I don't know what I want to do yet, so I didn't want to be locked in."

The Yazaki scholarships (the company offers two) are among several funded by the CCF. Among them are the Canton Business & Professional Women (two at \$500 each) for women returning to the workplace; the Elizabeth Durack Memorial (two at \$500) for non-traditional students; the Leadership Canton Alumni Association (\$500



Local students divvied up more than \$20,000 in scholarship money handed out by the Canton Community Foundation's annual scholarship program.

open to Youth Leadership Canton graduates; the Penelope Hope Klei (\$500) for students going to a Christian school; the Denski Family Scholarship (\$500) for graduating senior cheerleaders; and the Meredith Whalen Memorial (\$500) for female students majoring in business.

For more information on the CCF scholarship program and all the scholarships available, visit [www.cantonfoundation.org](http://www.cantonfoundation.org) or call (734) 495-1200.

#### THE SCHOLARS ARE ...

Here are the winners of the 2009 Canton Community Foundation scholarships:

NAME	TOWN	AMOUNT	NAME	TOWN	AMOUNT
Kirsten Clemans	Canton	\$500	Irene Mo	Canton	\$1,000
Katy Galm	Canton	\$1,000	Julia Molnar	Canton	\$500
Corinne Ghastin	Canton	\$300	Jaimini Patel	Canton	\$300
Jennifer Gunnis	Canton	\$500	Fernanda Pereira	Canton	\$2,000
Jennifer Halter	Canton	\$500	Margaret Rocker	Plymouth	\$1,000
Sai Kandagatla	Canton	\$1,000	Jennifer Rokakis	Canton	\$1,000
Manal Kandah	Canton	\$500	Katelyn Sabada	Canton	\$1,000
Tallete Kitchen	Canton	\$500	Nancy Szczepanski	Canton	\$1,000
Thomas Madigan	Canton	\$2,000	Sarah Thomas	Canton	\$500
Katherine Marion	Canton	\$650	Sarah Thomas	Canton	\$1,000
Alanna Mason	Plymouth	\$500	Chelsea Woodruff	Canton	\$1,000
			Anne Zhang	Canton	\$1,000
			Chris Scheiber	Grosse Ile	\$1,000



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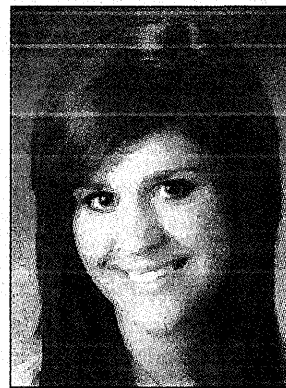
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Sarah Thomas



Chelsea Woodruff



Annie Zhang

# Rabbits rescued: Shelter hops to find homes for bunnies

BY BRAD KADRICH  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

David Brown of Ann Arbor loves rabbits. He also likes to give back to the community.

So, when he met Jill Pernicano and Dominique Moroz, founders of the Plymouth-based Midwest Rabbit Rescue, back in 2005, he discovered a way he could do both.

Now, Brown is a member of the shelter's board of directors and volunteers on a nearly daily basis for MRR, the non-profit dedicated to rescuing and adopting out at-risk rabbits.

"I don't know where it comes from, but I've always loved animals, and in particular rabbits," said Brown, the retired CEO of Kaiser Optical Systems. "I love rabbits, and I love contributing to the group. I like volunteering with small groups who can really make a difference."

MRR isn't the biggest operation in the world. It operates on a budget of \$50,000 a year, raised from private donations and fund-raisers, and depends on staffing from some 80 volunteers, including a core group of about 25.

The shelter currently houses about 100 rabbits, with others in foster care. The mission, according to board member and uber-volunteer Lisa Powell, is simple.

"We want to bring in rabbits that need homes," said Powell, who has volunteered 2-3 hours a day for the shelter since losing her job as a corporate attorney. "We want to educate people about adoption versus buying a rabbit from a pet store."

Officials at MRR believe rabbits are the third-most popular household pet, after dogs and cats and not counting fish. According to Brown, studies show there are some 5.5 million pet rabbits in the U.S.

MRR depends on volunteers like Brown and Powell, who acknowledges she "knows every rabbit" in the place. Powell, who has been volunteering for MRR for just over a year, said her husband found the shelter after she got laid off at work.

Powell, who already owned a rabbit, said she dove right in. And she's not the only one; she estimates volunteers turn in some 1,100 hours a month.

"I needed a project, so I jumped in headfirst," Powell said. "I really think our core group is as dedicated as any group of people I've been around. They're excitement pushes me."

MRR workers think the public knows little about rabbits, particularly as pets. For instance, Powell said, rabbits are "easily litter trained," and are very social animals, which is why they recommend adopting them in pairs.

"They get a lot of companionship together," she said. "I started with one, and I had to get him a buddy."

MRR benefitted from a fund-raiser at a local comedy club last month, and has scheduled a charity poker fund-raiser starting Friday at the Shark Club in Canton.

Such events, Brown said, help MRR raise money in out-of-the-box ways.

## FUND-RAISER FOR RABBITS

- What: Midwest Rabbit Rescue fund-raiser
- Where: Shark Club, 42070 Ford Road, in Canton.
- When: Aug. 14-17 (6 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday and Monday; 5 p.m. to 2 a.m. Saturday and Sunday)
- More info: Call (734) 844-7665

"It's a way to reach beyond our usual support," Brown said of the charity poker gig. "These events usually have their own followers."

The shelter appears to be working. Brown said MRR has adopted out some 750 rabbits over the last four years. That's happy news to the board and to the shelter's volunteers.

"It's really gratifying when a rabbit gets a home," Brown said. "Most of the rabbits in here would have died. It really is a second chance."

Midwest Rabbit Rescue is located at 882 N. Holbrook in Plymouth. The shelter hosts open houses noon to 4 p.m. every Saturday and Sunday; open other times by appointment only. For information on donating or volunteering, see the group's Web site at [www.rabbitrr.org](http://www.rabbitrr.org)

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Lisa Powell holds Denier, a resident of the Midwest Rabbit Rescue. Powell, who began working for the shelter after losing her job as a corporate attorney, volunteers 2-3 hours a day.

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9:00 A PERFECT GETAWAY (R)  
1:00, 3:10, 5:20, 7:30, 9:40  
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9:00 FUNNY PEOPLE (R) 12:00, 3:15, 6:40, 9:45

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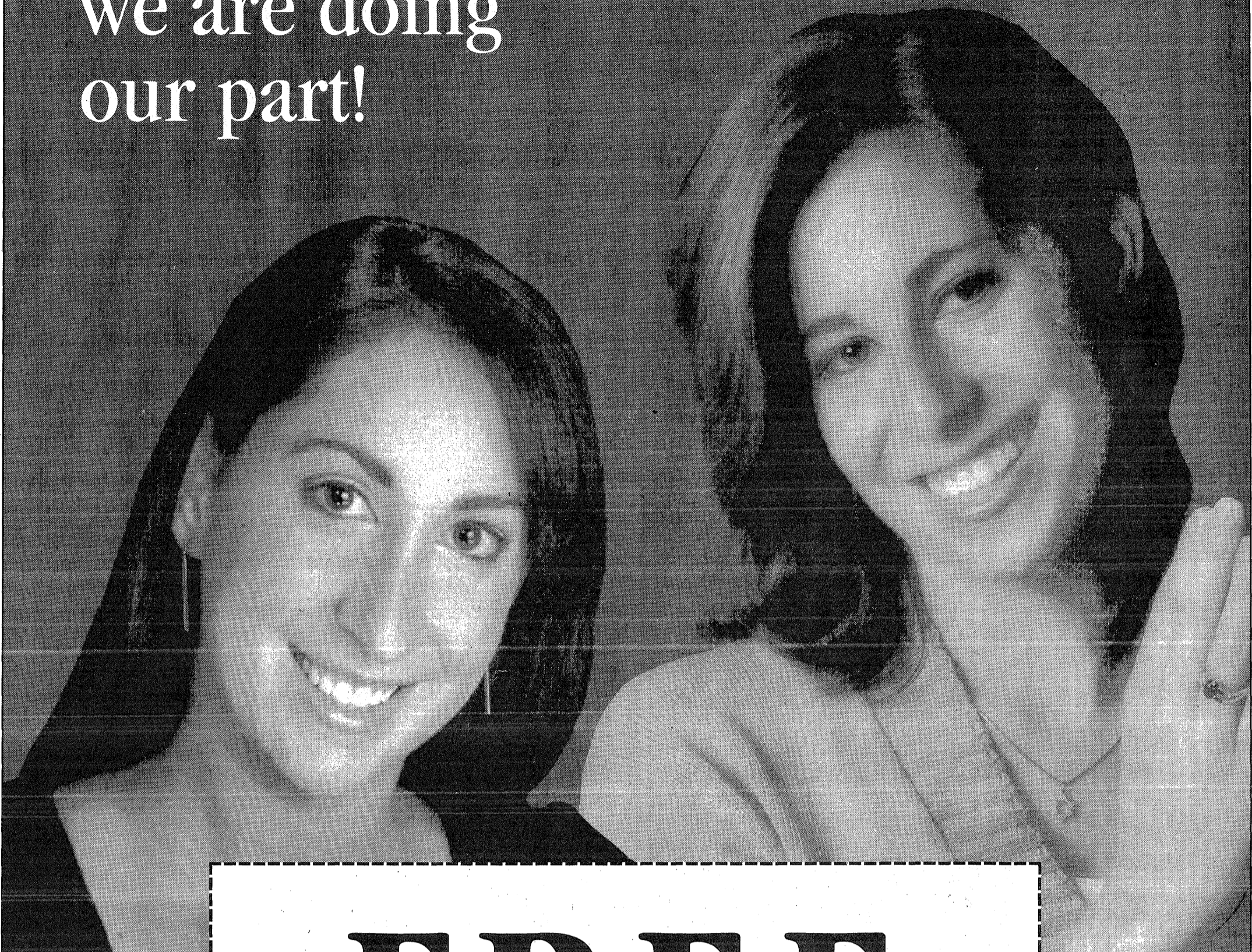
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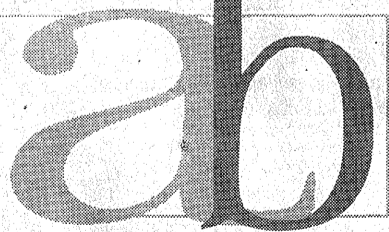
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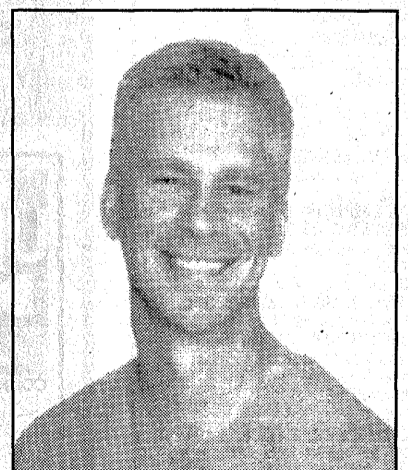
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**Summit closes for annual maintenance**

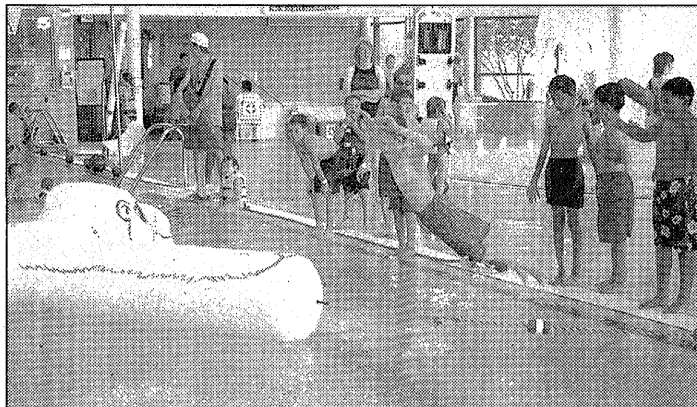
Summit on the Park, Canton's cultural and recreational community center, closes for annual maintenance beginning 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 31, and will re-open 6 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 5.

Scheduled maintenance projects include repainting; carpet replacement; resurfacing of the Lazy River; lighting conversions; wood floor resurfacing; and gym light upgrades. Other general interior and exterior repairs will also be completed. In addition, a complete facility cleaning is also scheduled to take place.

Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton, offers numerous amenities for a variety of activities, including: a banquet and conference center, aquatic center, fitness center, gymnasium, track and meeting rooms. The Summit is open year-round and offers daily, monthly, and annual passes.

The Summit on the Park will be open Monday, Sept. 7 from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Labor Day. Normal hours will resume on Tuesday, Sept. 8.

To learn more about Summit on the Park's annual shutdown



FILE PHOTO

Swimmers at Canton's Summit on the Park will have to find somewhere else to go for a while when the Summit closes later this month for maintenance.

or available memberships, visit [www.canton-mi.org](http://www.canton-mi.org) or call (734) 394-5460.

**Comic relief**

All month long The Village Theater at Cherry Hill will be overrun with Cartoons of all kinds with its current exhibit of comic strips and comic book art. Showing through August 30, the display, "Michigan Comics: Mirth, Mockery, Mayhem," will feature over 100 pieces of original artwork.

This unique exhibit showcases the diverse talents of 40 Michigan artists currently on display at the Village Theater, located at 50400 Cherry Hill

in Canton. The exhibition is comprised of editorial cartoons, gag panels, comic strips, comic books, graphic novels and other works on paper.

"Michigan artists and writers have created a significant body of cartoons and comics that is distinctive for its quality, inventiveness and variety," said Richard Rubinfeld, the exhibit's co-creator and Eastern Michigan University Art Professor. "As a group they have received little attention before this exhibition."

To see this great collection of Michigan cartoonists, the exhibit gallery will be open to the public for free view-

ings 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday until Aug. 30.

For more information on this exhibit and all the exhibits and performances at the Village Theater, visit [www.canton-mi.org/villageattheater](http://www.canton-mi.org/villageattheater) or call (734) 394-5300.

**Season tickets**

Tickets for the Village Theater at Cherry Hill's sixth season go on sale Saturday, Aug. 15, for single, season and group ticket purchases. The Village Theater, located at 50400 Cherry Hill, is a 400-seat performing arts center offering quality live theater, dance, music, and many other cultural and community events.

Scheduled performances for August-October include:

- August - Forever After Productions Drama Camp, 8/10-14, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., register at the Summit; Village Theater Usher Training, 8/10-11 & 27-28, Call for information, (734) 394-5308; 17th annual Canton Juried Fine Art Exhibition, call for entries deadline; Still Got It Players productions "Any Body for Tea" and "Funeral Tea," 8/26-30, various times.
- September - Canton Idol, BeckRidge Chorale, 9/1-5,

various times; Rodgers & Hammerstein's "A Grand Night for Singing," BeckRidge, 9/11 & 13, 8 p.m./3 p.m.; "Beethoven & Blue Jeans," Plymouth Canton Symphony Orchestra, 9/12, 7:30 p.m.; Oliver! by the Spotlight Players, 9/18-27, 8 p.m./2 p.m.

• October - 17th annual Fine Art Exhibition opening reception and awards program, 10/1, 6:30 p.m.; Gandhi Jayanti, Canton Cultural Commission Multicultural Committee, 10/2, 7 p.m.; Sopranos Three, 1st Friday Studio Series, Biltmore Studio, 10/2, 8 p.m.; "The Pied Piper of Hamelin," Michigan Opera Theatre for young audiences, 10/3, 11 a.m.; Theater Arts & Stagecraft Youth classes, Spotlight on Youth,

10/3-11/21; "Juice," a musical explosion of percussion, energy & invention, 10/9, 8 p.m.; "Annie, Jr.," Spotlight on Youth, 10/8-11, 7 p.m./2 p.m.; "Mama's Night Out," comedy show, 10/16, 8 p.m.; A Cappella Fest, 10/17, 8 p.m.; Swing City Big Band, 10/18, 3 p.m.; Cherry Martini presents the band Trilogly, 10/23, 8 p.m.; Haunted Horns, Canton Concert Band, First Step Benefit, 10/24, 3 p.m.

For ticket prices, additional information on the entire season, or to order tickets on-line, visit [www.canton-mi.org/villageattheater](http://www.canton-mi.org/villageattheater) or call (734) 394-5460.

For more information on the Village Theater's sixth season, call 734/394-5460 or visit [www.canton-mi.org/villageattheater](http://www.canton-mi.org/villageattheater).

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# Watch out for Project 100 to give away 50th \$100 bill on Monday

BY SUSAN STEINMUELLER  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

When given \$100, a Detroit woman used some of it to buy canned good for Gleaner's Community Food Bank.

A man named Larry, given \$100 while doing yard work, gave it to his neighbor, who was just coming home from the hospital.

These are some of the inspiring stories witnessed by Project 100 in the last few weeks.

The new, Livonia-based non-profit organization's sole purpose is to encourage the positive aspects of giving and community participation by giving away \$100 bills.

"It's inspiring," said Adriane Schulte of Project 100. "We have stories on our Web site."

Project 100 is giving away its 50th \$100 dollar bill on Monday, Aug. 10.

Reaching the 50th recipient marks the halfway point of Project 100's mission to give out 100 dollars to 100 people over 100 days, in an effort to encourage giving back in our communities.

"Monday's the big day and our 50th recipient is going to be in for a real treat," said Jeremy Cybulski, Project 100 spokesperson. "In addition to receiving \$100, we're going to throw in an extra \$50 and a couple of other surprises to celebrate the occasion."

The organization has not yet been to the Farmington area; communities are randomly selected. Schulte said that they won't

know which community they will be going to until Monday.

"Right now it's completely random," she said. "We are told the day of the giveaway what community we will be visiting. If someone is outside, we approach them."

In September, she said, money will be given to those who have signed up on the Web site.

Over the last month, Project 100 has given away \$4,900 in communities throughout Southeast Michigan.

"We're encouraging everyone in the community to visit our Web site, [www.whatisproject100.com](http://www.whatisproject100.com), where they can sign up to potentially receive a visit from the Project 100 team," said Cybulski. "While they're there, they should also check out the rest of the site as it is a great source of information on how people can get involved in their community."

Project 100 was formed and funded by a group of people who want to positively impact the community by encouraging people to give to others in any way they can. Additionally, Project 100, through its Web site, is an educational resource for the community on volunteering and giving back.

## LIBRARY WATCH

The following events are taking place at the Plymouth District Library in August:

- YOUR POETRY GROUP, Sunday, Aug. 9, 1:30 p.m. - Roundtable readings of poems, your own or by others, are held on the second Sunday of the month. Reader's discretion of language is asked in the works read. For more information, contact Sarolina Chang at [sarolinachang@gmail.com](mailto:sarolinachang@gmail.com)

- CONTEMPORARY BOOKS DISCUSSION, Tuesday, Aug. 11, 7:30 p.m. - This month's contemporary discussion group invites members to read *The Good Thief* by Hannah Tinti. Copies of this book are available for group members at the checkout desk. New members are welcome at any time. For further information, please call Sue Patterson at the Library, 734-453-0750, ext. 241 or email [spatterson@plymouthlibrary.org](mailto:spatterson@plymouthlibrary.org)

- STARS, MOONS AND PLANETS, Monday, Aug. 17, 7 p.m. - Plan now to join local star-gazer, Mike Best as he conducts this lively discussion, intended for interested astronomers, ages six and older. For more information contact 734-459-2378 or [starmikebest@comcast.net](mailto:starmikebest@comcast.net)

- WRITING MY LIFE STORY: A SENIOR WRITING GROUP, Tuesday, Aug. 18, 4 p.m. - Seniors can share and preserve their life stories with the guidance of Plymouth author, Jane Saylor. No previous writing experience is necessary.

- JOB SEARCH WORKSHOP, Tuesday, Aug. 18, 7:30 p.m. - Local Human Resources professional Kimberly Wright will provide help with resume and cover letter creation, interview techniques, internet job searching and more. Register for this free program by calling 734-453-0750, ext. 4.

## Youth Programs

- LAPSIT STORYTIME, Monday, Aug. 10, 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.; repeated Saturday, Aug. 15, 10 a.m. - This 15-minute song and rhyme time is for babies ages six to 24 months and their care-givers. No siblings please. Register at the Reader's Advisory Desk, 734-453-0750, ext. 5.

- MONDAY MOVIES, Monday, Aug. 10, 17, 24, 31 at 2 p.m. - Kids ages 5-12 will enjoy these fun flicks, rated G & PG. Call the Youth service desk at 734-453-0750, ext. 5 for specific titles. No registration required.

- BABY PLAY, Monday, Aug. 24, 10 a.m. and 11a.m.; repeated Saturday, Aug. 29, 10 a.m. - This fun program is for babies ages 6-24 months. Baby Play is a less formal companion to our Lapsit program. Babies and caregivers listen to a story, followed by play with developmentally appropriate toys and interaction with other children.

## Teen Program

- FILM FESTIVAL & SUMMER READING PROGRAM WRAP-UP, Wednesday, Aug. 12, 6:30 p.m. - Teen film contest entries will be shown and the winner of the Creative Vado Pocket video camera will be announced. Grand prize drawings for the Summer Reading drawing will take place. Everyone will enjoy ice cream sundaes.

- ANI-MANGA, Saturday, Aug. 15, 1 p.m. - Watch anime films, snack on Japanese treats and work on fun projects.

- BOOKS & BITES, Tuesday, Aug. 18, 3 p.m. - Teens are invited to read *Alanna: The First Adventure - Book One of the Song of the Lioness* by Tamora Pierce - pick up a free copy of the book before the 18th and then come by for snacks and discussion.

## WAYNE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of Section 18, chapter IV, Act 283 of the Public Acts of 1909, as amended, seven or more freeholders have Petitioned the County of Wayne to absolutely abandon and discontinue:

The West half of Northville Road, 66 feet wide, said West half as dedicated to the use of the public in SUPERVISOR'S PLYMOUTH PLAT No. 5, part of the W 1/2 of Section 23, T. 1 S., R. 8 E., Plymouth Township, Wayne County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 66 of Plats on Page 36, Wayne County Records, the centerline of said road being more particularly described as: Beginning at a point distant S87 36'15"E 788.94 feet and S10 47'00"E 33.89 feet from the NW corner of said Section 23; thence continuing S10 47'00"E 751.44 feet to a point of curvature; thence 17.98 feet along the arc of a circular curve to the left, having a radius of 517 feet, a chord bearing and distance of S11 46'46"E 17.98 feet to the Point of Ending of said centerline. Said Point of Ending is the intersection of said centerline with the prolongation of the South line of Lot 83. The aforementioned centerline description contains approximately 769 feet/0.146 miles of roadway.

Therefore, it has been decided a Hearing be held on Thursday, SEPTEMBER 10, 2009, at 1:30 pm at Wayne County Department of Public Services, 415 Clifford Street, 3rd Floor, Detroit, Michigan 48226, and that a Hearing Examiner of the county shall hold said Hearing and obtain all necessary facts and information concerning the advisability of either granting or denying said Petition, and shall report all findings of fact to the Board of Wayne County Commissioners.

True copies of this notice are to be served, posted and published in accordance with the provisions of said Act No. 283 of 1909, as amended.

WAYNE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES  
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Rick Bloom

is the best type of insurance available.

There are a number of reasons why I like term insurance better than whole life or other types of insurance. First, term insurance is relatively straightforward and simple and it's much easier to receive competitive bids. The only issues are how much insurance you want, how long and do you want the return of premium option.

In whole life or other types of permanent insurance, there are a variety of issues and the policies are much more complex and difficult to understand. In addition, it is hard to compare whole life or permanent types of insurance policies because of the different variables.

One reason I am a big fan of term insurance is because most people do not need insurance for their entire lives. You need insurance while your two children are still on your payroll. Once your children are independent and on their own, you no longer need insurance. With term insurance you are able to buy insurance for a fixed period of time. When you buy a whole life, universal life or some of the other permanent type of policy, you are paying a much higher price because you have coverage for your entire life. My view is: Why pay for something you do not need?

The most important reason I like term insurance is you can cover your insurance needs at a fraction of the cost of a whole life policy.

Whole life insurance is sold more than term insurance because there are greater commissions on whole life.

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somewhat different. Selecting a return-of-premium option increases your premium. It becomes a forced savings vehicle. In addition, on many of these policies if you cancel the policy before the end of term you receive nothing back.

I am not a fan of the return-of-premium option. My philosophy is insurance is not an investment. It is a matter of risk management and there are

much better investment vehicles than an insurance policy. Therefore, in the majority of cases I do not recommend a return-of-premium option.

Life insurance is important when it comes to personal financial planning. If you do need life insurance, the key is to buy what suits your situation. Shop around for competitive bids and don't get caught up with aggressive sales people.

A good insurance agent, and there are many out there, is one who doesn't worry about commissions, but rather whose goal is to match you with the correct policy. Good luck!

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

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### Music in the Park

Here's the remaining schedule for the weekly Music in the Park concert schedule, hosted by the Plymouth Community Arts Council:

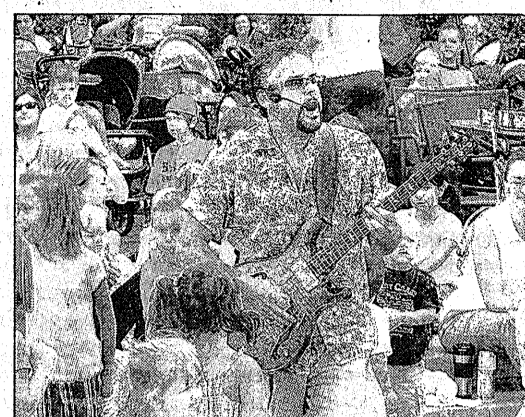
- Aug. 12, Guy Louis and his Chautauqua Express
- Aug. 19, The Cats & the Fiddler

All concerts start at noon in Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth. Sponsors include the Carl and Isabelle Schultz Family, The Wilcox Foundation, Huron Valley Ambulance, Monroe Bank & Trust, Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M., Dr. Brian Brackney, Bacinski's Best Friends of Learning Institute and Lodging by the Month.

### Music in the Air

Here's the remaining schedule for the Friday night "Music in the Air" concert series, hosted by the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority and sponsored by Blue Cross/Blue Shield:

- Aug. 14, The Kris K Band
- Aug. 21, The Randy Brock Group



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Guy Louis, here at an appearance in Northville last month, brings his Chautauqua Express music to Plymouth Wednesday for the weekly Music in the Park kiddie concert series hosted by the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

- Aug. 28, Mass Transit
- Sept. 4, Lady Sunshine and the X Band

The concerts take place in downtown Plymouth's Kellogg Park and start at 7 p.m.

## Starfish becomes newest hub for Early Learning Community

Starfish Family Services is partnering with United Way for Southeastern Michigan to become the first neighborhood hub in western Wayne County to offer United Way's Early Learning Community program.

Early Learning Communities were launched this year to provide free neighborhood-based resources to parents and caregivers of children ages birth through 5 so they are equipped to enter school ready to learn. Starfish is now the sixth ELC Hub in the tri-county area and will serve children living in the Garden City, Westland and Plymouth.

"The Great Start Collaborative-Wayne (GSC-W) was able to strongly recommend and support the newest Early Learning Communities (ELC) hub being Starfish Family Services," said Toni Hartke, Director of the Great Start Collaborative-Wayne. "It was logical to expand the ELC initiative beyond the two existing ELCs in Detroit into western Wayne County. The members of

the GSC-W help to strengthen the quality of child care for Wayne County children so they are safe, healthy and ready to succeed in school and in life."

Beginning this month, Starfish Family Services will offer more than 20 Early Childhood classes, including preschool development; health and safety, such as CPR, first aid certification and SIDS prevention; nutrition guidance; interactive playgroups and a Lending Library. Computers will also be available for use. Classes will be held primarily at the agency's Family Resource Center at 30000 Hiveley Road in Inkster, with occasional meetings at other locations throughout western Wayne County.

An open house will be held for anyone interested in learning more about the program 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 12, in the Family Resource Center. Childcare and food will be available and prizes given out. A schedule of classes also will be provided. For more informa-

tion, call Kristen Chateau at (734) 727-3114.

The Early Learning Communities provide free resources to ensure children start school prepared and ready to learn. They aim to advance opportunities for early development and learning of children in the preschool years. The ELC is facilitated by a neighborhood organization to allow eligible individuals and groups, such as grandparents, friends, relatives and neighbors who provide childcare to young children, licensed home-based and center-based providers and parents to receive training and resources that are convenient and personalized to their needs.

ELC offers an Incentive Program to earn points, certifications and other rewards for participating in ELC events. The points can be redeemed for gift cards or professional development opportunities to help advance childcare skills and quality. ELC Hubs are also located in Warren, Roseville, Hazel Park and Detroit.



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# Livonia's future: battery technology

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Michigan has turned a new page in its industrial history, and the city of Livonia may be a part of a chapter yet to be written on battery technology.

Vice President Joe Biden announced Wednesday that \$1.35 billion in federal grants will be awarded to 12 projects in Michigan to support advanced battery and electric vehicle manufacturing and development.

Gov. Jennifer Granholm visited A123 Systems in Livonia Thursday to highlight that company's \$249.1 million grant from the Department of Energy at the site of what will be the company's new regional headquarters and production facility.

The grant will help A123 develop a strategy for constructing lithium ion battery manufacturing facilities in the United States with the first construction location in Livonia. Under the grant's terms, A123 will be required to match the funds over time as they are spent. Grant funding comes from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act's electric drive vehicle battery and component manufacturing initiative.

A123 will be located at 39000 Seven Mile, just west of I-275. Company officials would not comment Thursday on specific plans for the building.

A123 officials said the manufacturing system is expected to be U.S.-based with research and development, manufacturing of the company's proprietary Nanophosphate cathode powder, electrode coating, cell fabrication, module fabrication and so on through the final assembly of complete battery pack systems for vehicle integration.

David Vieau, A123 Systems president and chief executive officer, said battery development will reduce the dependency on foreign oil and lead to cleaner air. "We hope to be a big part of that," he said.

The grants were necessary



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Elected officials from all levels of government gathered at A123 Systems' new facility in Livonia, including state Sen. Glenn Anderson, state Reps. Dian Slavens and John Walsh, Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey, Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano and Gov. Jennifer Granholm.

to help with capital investment in factories, he said.

"With the recession, the cash was tightening up," Vieau said. "Battery factories require a lot of cash." The grants allow companies to fulfill commitments, he said.

A123 was born out of the research labs of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and was funded initially with a \$100,000 grant from the Department of Energy in 2001. The company says it has raised more than \$350 million in private capital from investors, including GE. The company will make lithium-ion batteries for Chrysler.

The press conference gave A123 officials a chance to thank state, county and local officials for the grants and tax incentives to A123, and allowed state, county and city officials a chance to thank A123 for locating in Livonia and facilities in Brownstown Township and Romulus.

Granholm thanked A123 for choosing Michigan. More than half of the federal grant money was going to Michigan, she said. That level of oppor-

tunity was a "game-changer," she said.

"With this seismic shift, we want people to understand how significant this is for Livonia," Granholm said. Statewide the grant's projects are estimated to create 6,800 jobs in the next 18 months and up to 40,000 jobs by 2020. A123 is expected to create 300 new jobs by 2011 in Livonia and another 500 more at a later date.

Earlier this year Granholm signed into law legislation providing refundable tax credits to encourage companies to develop and manufacture advanced batteries. In April, the Michigan Economic Growth Authority approved \$400 million in refundable advanced battery tax credits for A123 Systems and three other companies.

"We worked and cooperated in a bipartisan way," said Sen. Glenn Anderson, D-Westland, who also represents Livonia, referring to the tax credits granted to battery companies.

"This investment represents exactly how federal, state and local officials can come

together to support local businesses and move toward diversifying and reenergizing Michigan's economy," Anderson said.

Senate Majority Leader Mike Bishop called it "great day for Michigan."

County Executive Robert Ficano said A123 was a company working in a developing economy in a traditional industry of automobiles. "You could have chosen any place in the world, but you chose Wayne County and Livonia," Ficano said, referring to the Watertown, Mass.-based company. A123 is currently manufacturing in Asia, but will bring 90 percent of its operations to the U.S. next year, Vieau said.

State Rep. John Walsh, R-Livonia, admitted it was difficult to vote for tax incentives for companies while cutting the budget.

"We're competing with other locations," Walsh said. "Investors and companies are going to be looking at taxes, and we need an active MEDC (Michigan Economic Development Corporation) to

compete with other states for locating their business. These companies can go anywhere, and they do. It's a bottom-line decision."

Mayor Jack Kirksey, a one-time school principal, called it an outstanding lesson from a civics textbook of all levels of government working together on an issue. Kirksey cited his city's work on local tax breaks in discussions with Maria Thompson, general manager of A123's governmental solutions group, along with Turkia Mullin, director of Wayne County's Economic Development, who helped the city lobby to get A123 to come to Livonia, and the Michigan Economic Development Authority, which approved the state's tax credits.

"There's a lot of competition with other venues, and to get (A123) here, we are absolutely delighted," Kirksey said.

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# Store has more than office equipment

BY SUE MASON  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Robin Sindici has the ABC's covered at her new Office & More store in Westland.

She has accessories for everything from offices to computers, books and plenty of chairs. But there's also antiques, Barbies and clothing available.

"It's the only place where you can come in one day and then come in the next and it's different," the Livonia resident said. "We're a supply and office store bar none. If you don't see it, ask us. We have a warehouse."

Sindici opened the store last month in a vacant storefront in the West Ridge Shopping Center across Warren Road from Westland Shopping Center. It serves as a liquidator for national office supply companies. Desks, chairs, filing cabinets, credenzas, tables, chairs, projection screens and even artwork for conference rooms are featured in room settings around the former furniture store.

"You actually see what an office can look like," she said. "You can see what you can do."

And there's no need to fear some assembly required. What you see — fully assembled furniture — is what you get, like a rolltop desk for \$99.

There's also reams of paper priced at \$4.50, less than major office supplies stores, and hard-to-find items like printer cartridges and typewriter ribbons. Need a pair of reading glasses? Office & More has hundreds of pairs, all priced at \$1.49. Looking for clothing for your toddler? There's three-piece Fisher Price outfits priced at \$3.99. You can also buy men's flannel shirts for \$2.99 and a fleece jacket for \$3.99.

That rack caught the eye of Chantique Pringle of Belleville, who spotted the clothing while walking by. The mom-to-be was looking for outfits for her soon-to-be newborn.

"I walked by and thought, 'Why do they have clothing in a furniture store?'" she said. "I've never seen this before, but at that price, they're a steal."

But you just can't look



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Robin Sindici has more than 300 Barbies, no two are alike, including The X-Files Ken and Barbie that was pulled from shelves after actress Gillian Anderson complained that the hair was too long on her Dana Scully character doll. Sindici used to own a store in Plymouth's Old Village.

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of-a-kind Barbie dolls and a mechanical Christmas sleigh from J.L. Hudson.

Shelves are being put up on walls to display even more of the items Sindici once sold in her store in Plymouth's Old Village. There's some 2,000 pieces of vintage costume jewelry, more than 300 autographed photos of movie and rock stars, 300 vintage purses (some dating back to the 1800s) and 400 cameras.

"Every time you turn around, you'll see something different," she said. "That's why it's Office & More, because we have other things."

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## Kalamazoo kid

### Livonia netter Dube looks forward to nationals

BY BRAD EMONS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Joseph Dube doesn't hand out any easy grades when it comes to assessing his performance recently in the junior tennis ranks.

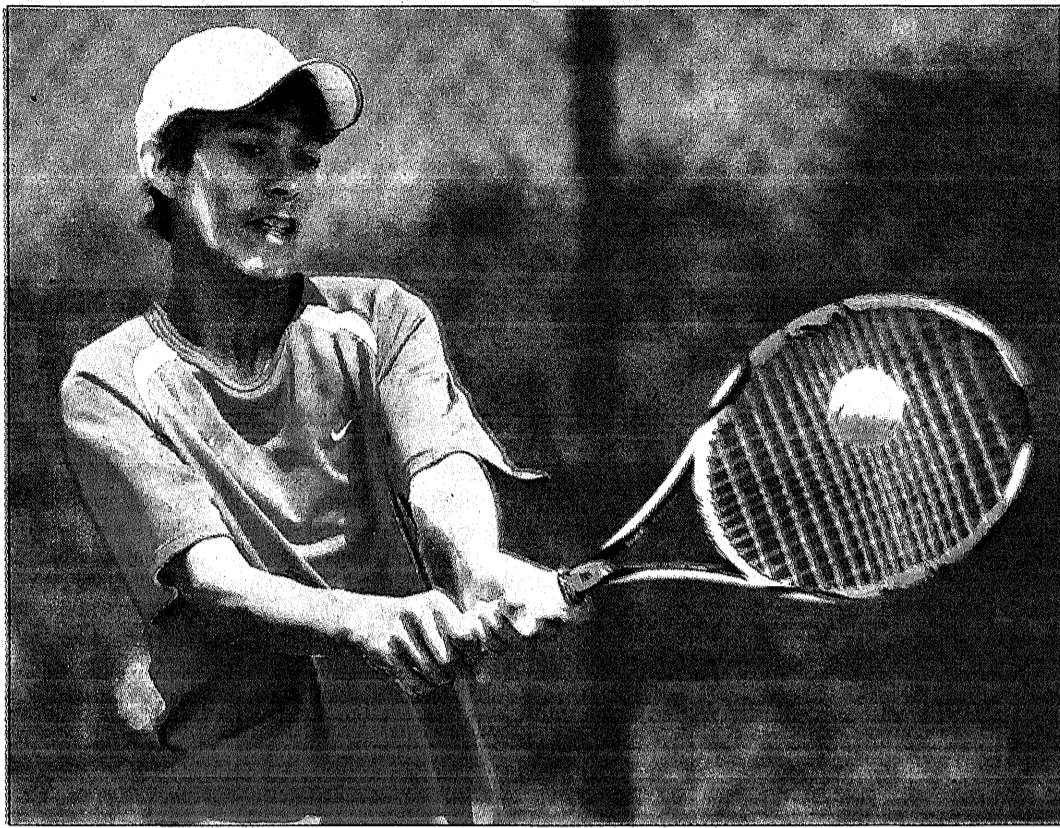
"It's been decent, but it could have been better," said Dube, a Livonia native who will be a junior this fall at Novi-Detroit Catholic Central High School. "I've had better summers."

Dube may be a bit too harsh on himself considering what he has accomplished during the past year, which includes a 66-31 overall record, a No. 1 ranking in the Southeastern

Michigan Tennis Association and a trip this weekend to the prestigious U.S. Tennis Association Junior Nationals in Kalamazoo.

Dube, ranked No. 171 nationally for his age group and sixth in the Midwest Tennis Association, earned a first-round bye in singles and will play the winner of Saturday's first-round match between Ryan Smith (Weston, Fla.) and Becker O'Shaughnessey (Macon, Ga.). Dube will also team up with Ben Shkyar (Riverwoods, Ill.), ranked No. 22 in the Midwest, in doubles.

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Livonia's Joe Dube is in Boys 16 singles and doubles draws at the U.S.T.A. National Junior Tennis Championships this weekend in Kalamazoo.

## GAME WRAPS

### It's Miller time

The University of Detroit Mercy will stage its Titan Baseball Alumni Reunion in honor of Redford's Bob Miller, UD's long-time ex-coach and former Philadelphia Phillies World Series pitcher, from 4-6:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 14 at Ed & Brooks room inside UDM's Calihan Hall.

Enjoy an evening of fellowship and camaraderie with family members, who are welcomed and encouraged to attend. Beer, wine and ballpark fare will be compliments of UDM athletics.

To RSVP, call Titan Athletics at (313) 993-1700; or e-mail UDM Director of Athletics Keri Kaither at [keri.gaither@udmery.edu](mailto:keri.gaither@udmery.edu).

### Grid officials clinic

The 14th annual Detroit High School Football Officials Clinic will be held on Aug. 15, at Birmingham Groves High School.

The clinic is sponsored by the Metro Detroit Officials Association, Southeastern Michigan Officials Association, United Federation of Officials and the Detroit Officials Association.

Registration begins at 8 a.m. with the clinic running until 1 p.m. There is no fee. Veteran and rookie officials are welcome.

The guest speaker will be Big Ten official Mike Brown, who started his career officiating high school in the Metro Detroit area. The clinic will also feature veteran high school football officials who will be discussing mechanics, rule interpretations, and play situations.

There is also a rookie session for new officials. Nate Hampton, assistant director of the Michigan High School Athletic Association will be on hand to conduct the annual MHSAA football rules meeting.

For more information, e-mail [viaricher@hotmail.com](mailto:viaricher@hotmail.com).

### Hole-in-one club

• On Aug. 1, Jason Bennett, 29, of Livonia, used a 9-iron to ace the 129-yard, No. 8 hole, at Bushwood Golf Course in Northville.

• Harold Diegel, a Westland resident of over 50 years and member of the Friendship Center Senior Golf League, used a 5-iron to ace the 135-yard, par-3 hole, July 30, at Westland Municipal Golf Course.

### Fall ball

The Greater Canton Youth Baseball/Softball Association is accepting registration from youths between the ages of 4-14 for the fall season. Games begin in mid August and continue through early October.

For more information, call (734) 483-5600 or email [cott@canton-mi.org](mailto:cott@canton-mi.org).



Josh Gatt, a soccer standout for Novi-Detroit Catholic Central and the Michigan Wolves, now is making an impact in the Discover Europe International Showcase.

## Plymouth's Gatt in 'Discovery' mode in Europe

BY TIM SMITH  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

There's no denying that Josh Gatt is in the midst of a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

Gatt, a Plymouth resident, is an elite soccer player at home with Novi-Detroit Catholic Central and the developmental Michigan Wolves.

But he currently is competing until mid-August at the U.S. Football Club SuperElite Discover Europe International Showcase in places like Austria, Germany and Belgium.

"It is a huge honor to make it into such a great tournament," said Gatt, a talented outside midfielder for the Shamrocks and Wolves who one day would love to do a World Cup. "It is something that I have always dreamed of and for it to be a reality is simply amazing."

"To play with this much talent from all over the U.S. and to then take that team (Discover Europe) and compete against the top youth talent in Europe is something that I did not believe was possible. Now that it is here, I can only say that I am as fired up as I have ever been about soccer and playing at the next level."

Gatt said he earned a spot with Discover Europe by way of his performances at the Michigan Wolves/Derby County Wolves Academy Showcases and Adidas ESP (Elite Soccer Player) Camp.

"They have seen me play in all those showcases and apparently liked the way I played," noted Josh. "It was a process that has taken over a year."

The Michigan Wolves were considered the top

U18 team during the U.S. Development Academy regular season.

### LOOKING TO FUTURE

Meanwhile, there was plenty to like, namely Gatt's ability to attack from the outside or leave defenders in the dust with his combination of speed and power.

Of course, the current tour (which began on July 24 and is designed to spotlight U.S. talent to European pro scouts) is whetting Gatt's appetite about how far he can go in soccer.

First comes his senior season at Catholic Central.

"The impact this would have on my team is being able to take all my knowledge and experience I learned in Europe," Gatt said, "and see if I could relate what I learned to my fellow teammates and make us a stronger team and a contender for a state title."

He already has verbally committed to playing collegiate soccer at Indiana beginning in fall 2010 but is also at least thinking about turning pro someday.

"I am trying to put this all in perspective and be realistic about it and take whatever comes from this as a positive stepping stone for my soccer career," added Gatt, who certainly wouldn't mind returning to Europe to compete in the World Cup.

But first, there's some unfinished 'discovering' for Gatt to do.

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## Michigan Rams' manager savors Johnstown trip

BY BRAD EMONS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The 6-hour car ride to the All-American Amateur Baseball Association Tournament in Johnstown, Pa. never gets old for Michigan Rams manager Rick Berryman.

Representing the Livonia Collegiate Baseball League, the 20-and-under Rams will open the 16-team, double-elimination tournament Monday following the draw on Sunday.

This will be Berryman's eighth trip to the hills of western Pennsylvania and the site of the historic flood.

Teams from Johnstown, Altoona (Pa.), Zanesville (Ohio), Brooklyn (N.Y.), Buffalo (N.Y.), Columbus (Ohio), Elk County (Pa.), Lansing, New Orleans (La.), Schenectady (N.Y.), Washington (D.C.), Youngstown (Ohio), Toledo (Ohio), New Brunswick (N.J.) and Philadelphia (Pa.) will join the Livonia-based Rams at the tournament.

And for the Rams manager, the novelty never wears off.

"Johnstown is a very historic and one of the unique towns," said Berryman, who also doubles as the baseball coach at Livonia Stevenson High School. "It's been going since the 1940s. It's a small town and the whole town gets into it. And if you draw that first (Monday) night game at Point Stadium, you'll see 8,000 or 9,000 fans. There's the parade and the fireworks - against the backdrop of the mountains - it's what makes it unique."

"The other thing that makes it special for the teams is that they pay for your housing and two meals per day, which most tournaments don't do."

Berryman's squad finished runner-up with a 22-10 record in the wooden-bat LCBL to the 22-and-under Michigan Bulls, who posted a league-best 26-6 mark.

The Rams, 23-13 overall, will start left-hander Tom Hansen in Monday's AAABA opener.

After a stellar season at Madonna University where he went 8-2 with a 3.52 earned run average, Hansen continued his strong mound work this summer with the Rams going 6-2 with an 0.46 ERA with 40 strikeouts.

"He was a late addition and he's been the biggest surprise," Berryman said of the Rochester Adams grad. "He's not a large man (5 feet, 11 inches, 158 pounds), but he's thrown wonderfully all year. He's got a good fastball, a great changeup and a great curveball. And he just gets people out."

Berryman said that Wayne State's Brady Cooper, who is 2-2 with an 0.88 ERA with 38 K's, will most likely get the call to start on Tuesday.

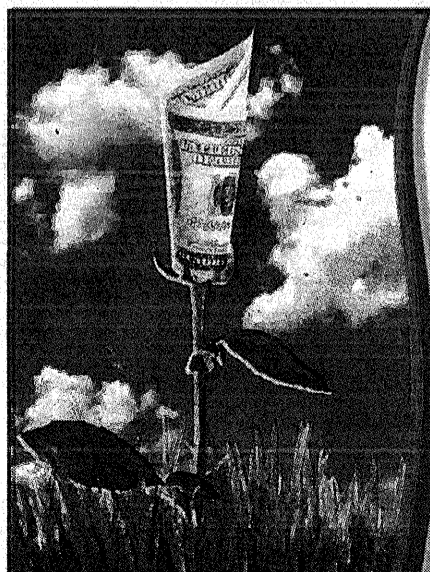
"He's another guy under a 1.00 ERA and the won-loss record doesn't reflect how well he's pitched," Berryman said.

Meanwhile, the offense starts with lead-off batter Aaron Cieslak, a Dearborn Divine Child High grad who has signed with Oakland University after playing this spring at Kellogg Community College.

The center fielder leads the Rams with a .388 batting average and sports a team-best .500 on base percentage. He also leads the Rams with 41 hits and is second in RBI with 22 only behind teammate Jason Forster, an infielder from Spring Arbor College who has 28 (while batting .366).

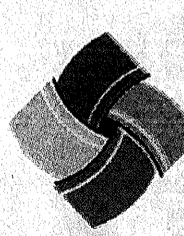
"Aaron came out hitting from the first game and has been hitting all year," Berryman said. "He's had no slumps and he's a tremendous center fielder, especially at (Livonia's) Ford Field because he's been worth so many outs."

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# KALAMAZOO

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Needless to say, Dube is excited and is looking forward to the challenge.

"This is my first time," he said. "It's the biggest tourney. I heard it's a lot of fun and good competition."

Dube's coach at the Franklin Racquet Club, Grant Asher, who played high school tennis in East Lansing with former

ATP pro Todd Martin, is one of the Joseph Dube's biggest advocates.

"He's separated himself by his work ethic and passion about the game," said Asher, who played at Michigan State and currently serves as head men's tennis coach at the University of Detroit Mercy. "He's developing his game to another level and he's unique because he can play a variety of ways. He can take the net and play the power game, but also has the ability to outlast an opponent from the baseline."

"And he has the desire. He wants to continue to develop his game."

Dube is a tireless worker who is always willing to improve. Just during the past month he played in the Northeast Zone Team Championships in St. Louis, Mo. (sporting a 3-2 record representing SEMTA); captured the Schoolcraft College Junior Open (July 17-19); and played in the Lexington, Ky. Hard Courts.

What earned Dube's ticket to Kalamazoo was winning the SEMTA Qualifier (the highlight of his season) in May followed by a 6-2 record at the Midwest Closed Junior Championships held in June in Indianapolis, Ind.

"I've been working on my footwork, moving quicker from side-to-side," Dube said. "They (Franklin Racquet Club) have a program through the

DMC (Detroit Medical Center) where I work out two times per week on my strength and flexibility.

"My strengths are that I can play all-court. I can come to the net, but I pick my spots."

I have a good relationship with my coach. He's a nice guy, but he is pushing me to the limits."

Dube began playing tennis at the Livonia Family Y at age six under the direction of head pro Jack Kingsbury and teaching pro Bob Miller. He began to play competitive tournaments at age nine.

His father Dan, a French Canadian, is retired from United Parcel Service, will accompany him to Kalamazoo. His mother Seny, a nurse assistant at Angela Hospice and a native of the Philippines, will stay with younger brother Michael, another promising tennis player in the Dube family who is ranked No. 19 in the Midwest and No. 5 in SEMTA in the Boys 14s.

Joseph Dube, who carries a 4.0 grade-point average at CC and would like to study medicine, is undecided where he would like to go to college.

He enters the fall high school season as the MHSAA Division 1 runner-up at No. 1 singles after leading the Shamrocks to a runner-up team finish.

"I haven't really looked at colleges yet, I really haven't thought about it," said Dube, who is rated a four-star Rising Junior in the Class of 2011 by TennisRecruiting.Net.

That could all change after a week in Kalamazoo as Dube looks to make the grade.

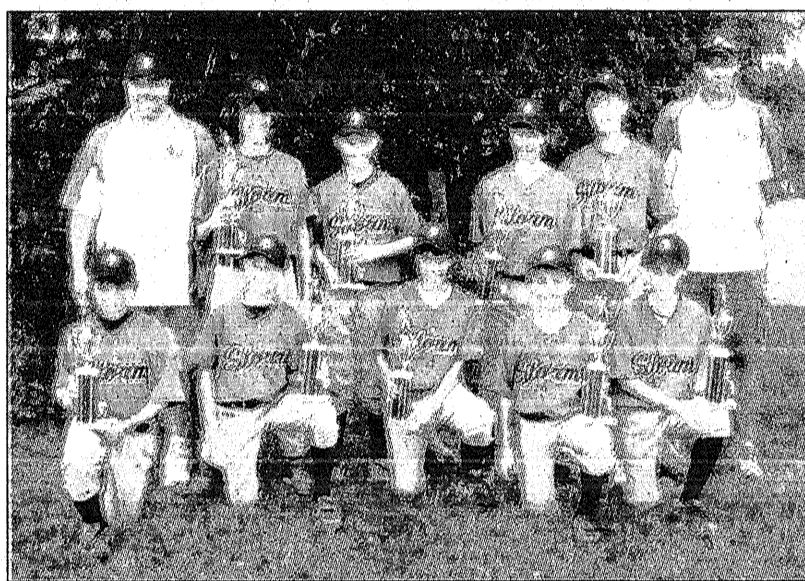
"He's going to go this weekend to the premier junior tourney in the country and he's one of the 196 best players," Asher said. "Sure, there's pressure with the all the college coaches being there, but we're just going to keep the blinders on, make sure he continues to concentrate on his footwork and his game. He should fare well, and he has the game to do it."

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## Quite a bite

The Motor City Bulldogs wrapped up a successful 2009 campaign by placing fifth in the 24-team BPA World Series recently held in Indiana. Coached by Ken Montroy, Rob Moyers, Dallas Kidd and Ron Hollenbeck, the Garden City-based Bulldogs compiled a 38-5-1 season mark that included a perfect 17-0-1 ledger in Northwest Suburban League 11U play. The team also placed first in three tournaments. Making it all happen were team members pictured above (front row, l-r) Sammy Hollenbeck, Donovan Sheridan, Jacob Lesdesma, Jordan Pressley, (middle) Jarid Latham, Vinnie Bakerian, Robbie Moyers, Cody Montroy, Frankie Lucska, A.J. Montie, Brendan Wetmore, Travis Kidd, (top) coach Montroy, coach Moyers, coach Kidd and coach Hollenbeck.



## Storm-ing through Almont

What a season for the 12U Canton Storm, winning all five games at the recent Almont Baseball Tournament for yet another tourney victory. Members of the Storm include: (front row, from left) Mike Noe, Pete Carravallah, Ryan Watson, Alex Zoltowski, Mike Vernon; (back row, from left) coach Mike Noe, Dom Murphy, Colin Staub, Dante Toppi, Tyler Brooks, coach Pat Watson. Not pictured are Kyle Bauer and Josh Penn.

# Popular Gavie tourney rolls on

The 73rd Annual John P. Gavie Memorial Tournament will take place on Monday, Aug. 17, at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park. As in past seasons, this event marks the actual "kick-off" of the new bowling season.

What is different this year is that the newly formed World Series of Bowling is taking up the entire month of August at Thunderbowl, and then some. Some very smart people got together and figured out a way to squeeze in the Gavie, so this grand Detroit tradition rolls on.

The Gavie has always been a popular event among our local bowlers and enthusiasts, with a rich history dating way back to the '40s. In those days this tournament was organized and run by John P. Gavie who was also known as the Night Mayor of Detroit.

Back then one of the highlights was the motorcade parade up Woodward Avenue to the State Fair Grounds.

This is a five-member team tournament with separate divisions for Seniors (3 p.m.), Women and Open entry divisions starting at 7 p.m. The 4th Annual Frank Gavie Youth Tournament is slated for Saturday, Aug. 15, with scholarship money to be awarded. For entry forms and additional information, call Kathy King at (313) 928-4688 iddngthunderbowl@yahoo.com or Frank Gavie (586) 773-1544.

Ed Burns of Westland brings sad news that Doug Uhl passed away recently. He was 83 and had retired to Seminole, Fla. He had moved there from Livonia in 1996.

Many bowlers in the Wayne/Westland area will have fond memories as Doug had been in the Wayne-Westland Men's Bowling Association (WWMBA) and served in the American Bowling Congress on a part-time basis for 23 years.

He was buried with military honors on July 28 at Bay Pines National Cemetery. He had served his country in World War II and Korea. He had worked for General Motors as a contract salesman. He was a great guy and long time secretary of the association.

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



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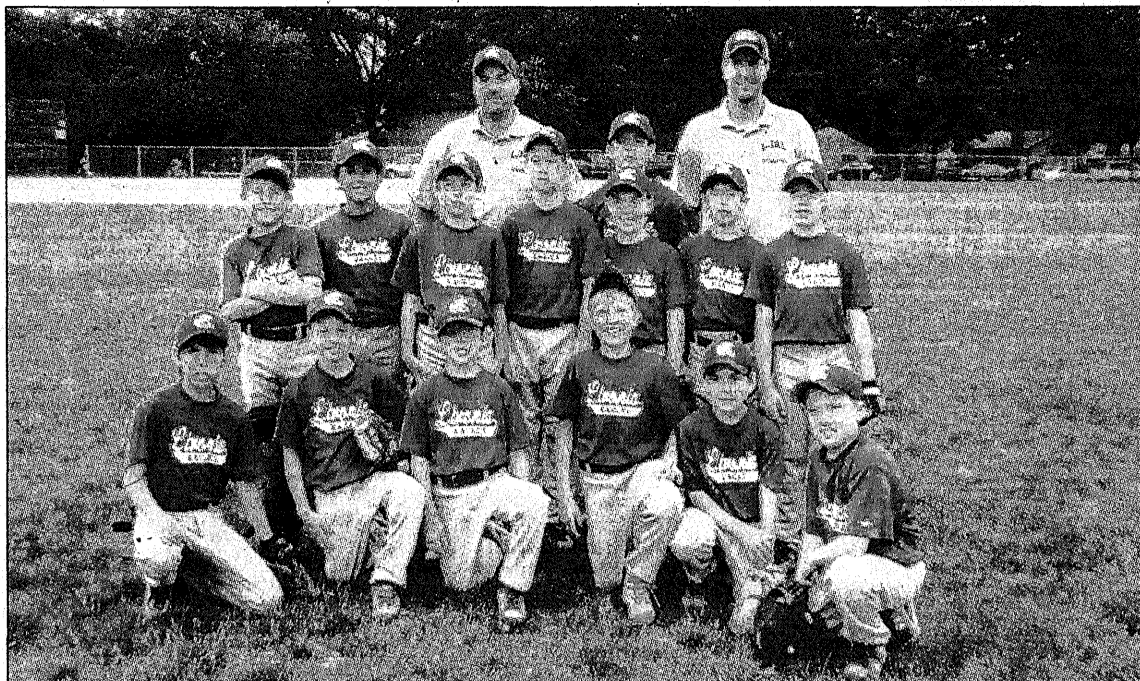
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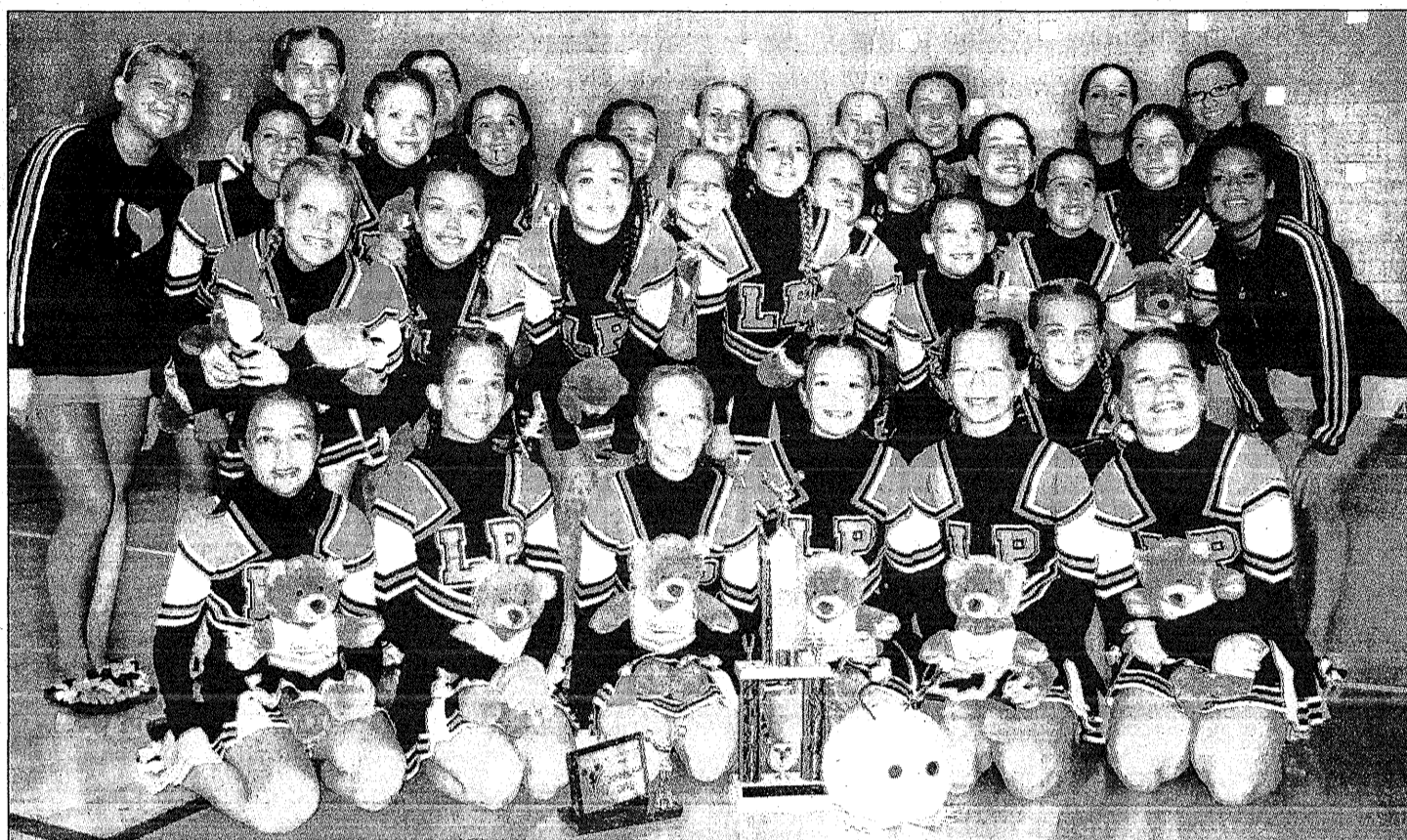
**TEAM TRYOUTS**

- Compuware 2010 18U girls softball team will be conducting tryouts Saturday, Aug. 29, from 3-5 p.m. and Sunday, Aug. 30, from 8-10 a.m. at Shell Park in Waterford.
- St. Fabian CYO will be conducting fall tryouts for its volleyball, boys soccer and coed cross country teams, beginning Aug. 11.
- Volleyball tryouts for fifth and sixth graders will be held inside the St. Fabian gymnasium Aug. 12 and Aug. 14 from 7-9 p.m., while seventh and eighth graders will go from 5-7 p.m. the same two days. Boys soccer tryouts for fifth through eighth graders will run Aug. 12-13 from 6-8 p.m., while fifth through eighth grade co-ed cross country tryouts will be held 6 p.m. Aug. 12-13.
- For more information, contact John Mulroy, athletic director, at (248) 477-5749 or (248) 514-1772.
- Redford Union's girls volleyball team will be conducting tryouts for the freshman, junior varsity and varsity squads, Aug. 12-14, from 6-8 p.m. at the high school, located at 17711 Kinloch.
- Tryouts for the 2010 Plymouth Canton Vipers baseball team will be from 10 a.m. until noon Sunday, Aug. 16 at the Canton High School varsity baseball field.
- For more information, call Tony Boucher at (734) 454-4992; or e-mail [tboucher14@yahoo.com](mailto:tboucher14@yahoo.com).
- Redford Union's boys soccer program will be holding tryouts for its varsity and junior varsity squads Aug. 12-14 from 3-5 p.m. at MacGowan School, 18255 Kinloch, in Redford. For more information, call (313) 995-4234.
- Baseball travel tryouts for the Livonia Baseball-Softball Association will be available for the following age groups at Bicentennial Park (field No. 8): 9-and-under - 9-11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 22; 11-and-under (Titans) - 2-4 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 22; 10-and-under - noon-2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 23; and 12-and-under (Tarheels) - 2-4 p.m.
- Report a half-hour early prior to the tryout time to register. Age is determined as of May 1, 2010. Manager are also wanted for the 9- and 10-and-under teams.
- For more information, call director Bruce Rosen at (313) 531-0721; or visit [www.livoniabsa.com](http://www.livoniabsa.com). You can also e-mail Rosen at [MBLR1218@aol.com](mailto:MBLR1218@aol.com).
- Tryouts for the 2010 Canton Cardinals travel baseball teams are continuing throughout August.
- The Greater Canton Youth Baseball & Softball Association's travel baseball program seeks competitive and serious athletes willing to commit to weekend tournaments and games outside the community.
- Pre-registration for the tryouts is required.
- To do so, e-mail or call the following coaches and provide name, birth date, phone number and address (for residency requirements): 9U, Alan Zidsik, [lzidzik@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lzidzik@sbcglobal.net), (734) 397-5739; 10U, Jim Good, [goodjames@comcast.net](mailto:goodjames@comcast.net), (810) 397-6272; 11U, Rob Hirshman, [hirshmal@yahoo.com](mailto:hirshmal@yahoo.com), (734) 981-1402; 12U, Dan Hejka, [cantoncardinalscoach@yahoo.com](mailto:cantoncardinalscoach@yahoo.com), (734) 776-3918; 13U, Jim Hejka, [jhejkacardinals@yahoo.com](mailto:jhejkacardinals@yahoo.com), (734) 658-2446; 14U, Mike Driscoll, [miked.amfinancial@tds.net](mailto:miked.amfinancial@tds.net), (734) 968-8700.



**Eagles take off**

The Livonia Eagles Maroon recently posted a 10-2 record to capture the Livonia Junior Athletic League's Mustang Major Division 10-and-under baseball title. Members of the Eagles Maroon include (bottom row, from left): Jack Summers, Alex Walkuski, Chris Berrelez, Nick Hourigan, Jacob Anderson, Joe Wozniak; (middle row, from left) Jack Chartier, Justin Alton, Kyle McCullough, Hugh Larkin, John Doyle, Evan Kuczmarski, Nate Leach; (top row, from left) head coach Mike Wozniak, Drew Hunter and assistant coach Craig Hunter. (Not pictured are assistant coaches Joe Larkin and Bob Hourigan, along with team manager Liz Alton.)



**Pom champions**

The Livonia Middle School Pom Team, made up of grades 6-8 and representing three upper elementary and three Livonia middle schools, earned the Grand Champs award, July 19-22, at the Mid American Pom summer camp held at Northwood University in Midland. The squad also earned Peppy Pom, Knock Your Socks Off, Overall Peppy Pom and Showmanship accolades. Members of the team include: co-captain Jessyca DeCotto, co-captain Madison Pettit, captain Heather Swirls, captain Megan Mila, captain Kari Barden, co-captain Michaela Harter, Heather Vallance, Jamie Brda, Maria Castrodale, Maria Leopardi, Lauren Alcantara, Julia Alcantara, Lindsey Carpenter, Alyssa DiDomenico, Katie Clark, Madison Fret, Allison O'Brien, Rachel Pettie, Natalie Alcantara, Lindsay Hickox, Leah Dempsey, Kendall Secord, Alesandra D'Agostino, Darrian Wasil, Sydney Wynns, Julianna Jarosz and Savannah Sikorski. The team is coached by Andrea McCleary, Lisa Earhart, Heather De Priest, and Allison Estes.

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### WOMEN SEEKING MEN

#### GOOD SENSE OF HUMOR?

WF, 48, 5'3", brown/brown, has pets, NS, great sense of humor, looking for WM, 45-55, who likes dining out, museums, movies, reading and more, to do things with. **☎280581**

#### MUSICAL GIRL

Christian WF, 19, enjoys playing guitar, singing, going to church and more. Looking for SM, 19-25, who enjoys the same things. **☎292258**

#### GET TO KNOW ME

Loving, open-minded SBF, 60, 145lbs, attractive, enjoys music, dining, concerts, travel, ISO honest, compassionate SM, 57-65, NS. Possible LTR. **☎963780**

#### HONEST AND CARING

Sensitive WF, 41, 5'5", likes Ben Joni and Van Halen, spaghetti dinners, gardening, hockey and baseball, old movies, arts and crafts, picnics, reading. Looking for a gentleman, 45-57, rascally, for friendship. **☎318717**

#### TAKE A CHANCE ON ME

SWFF, 48, educated, HW proportionate, seeks educated, professional male, 40-55, NS, with sense of humor. Let's meet for coffee or a drink. **☎311355**

#### HOMEBODY SEEKS SAME

SBF, 44, 5'2", 165lbs, black hair, brown eyes, light complexion, N/D, NS, enjoys movies, bowling, dining, plays, concerts, reading. Seeking SBF, 39-51. **☎294368**

#### ARE YOU THE ONE?

SF, 41, 5'4", dark complexion, brown eyes, short hair, looking to meet an honest, loyal, funny man, 37-55, to spend a lot of time together. **☎289947**

#### CURVACEOUS

SWF, 47, 5'7" 155lbs, hazel eyes, dimples, enjoys r&b music, jazz, dancing, dining out, blues, sports. Seeking SM, 21-42, with similar interests, for friendship first, possibly more. **☎283605**

#### VERY DOWN-TO-EARTH

SBF, 37, 5'5", 125lbs, slim build, enjoys nice walks in the park, movies, bowling, basketball games. Seeking SM, 30-43. **☎299111**

#### ARE WE A MATCH?

SBF, 38, very shapely, NS, light drinker, very independent, loves movies, sports, shooting pool, dining. Seeking SM, 35+, very independent, who enjoys life, movies, etc. **☎29793**

#### LADY OF QUALITY

SBF, 30-something, 5'7", laid-back, down-to-earth, seeks open, honest, loyal, faithful professional man, 35-55, for LTR. No games, race open. **☎310218**

#### SEARCHING FOR A MAN...

40-60, who's looking for commitment, love and laughter. I'm a 47-year-old who's bright, spunky and pretty. Only Jewish men please. **☎962317**

#### SEARCHING FOR YOU

Mature woman would like to meet a gentleman who wants to enjoy life and have a good time. I know what I would like to do for the rest of my life. **☎319518**

#### BEAUTIFUL SBF...

37, seeks SM, 30-50, who is spontaneous and knows how to have fun. Casual relationship first, maybe leading to more. **☎271683**

#### PETITE AND CUTE

SWF, 35, great sense of style, very friendly, would like to meet a SM, 35-45, who will love me for me. **☎29443**

#### THAT SPECIAL ONE

SBF, 39, enjoys movies, walks in the park, picnics, still chilling. Looking for SM, 39-45, for possible relationship. **☎295026**

#### SEEKING STRONG BM

Can you handle me? SBF, mid 40s, healthy and beautiful, seeks strong, bald BM, 40-62, who knows how to handle his own business, I'm laid-back, gentle, soft. **☎295568**

#### HONEST & DOWN-TO-EARTH

Cute, outgoing woman, 40, loves animals, the outdoors. Seeking honest, clean, honorable, compassionate gentleman, 40s-early 50s, for friendship, dating, possible LTR. **☎295421**

#### SEEKING A MATURE MAN

Attractive SBF, 35, NS, N/Drugs, would like to meet a mature, happy SBF, 25-30, to enjoy life together. **☎300880**

#### SEEKING MR. RIGHT

SBF, 37, 5'5", nice mother of three, Christian values, NS, social drinker, seeks SM, 30-50, race open, with similar values. **☎310924**

#### SINGLE DAD WELCOME

PBF, 40, kids younger, attractive, independent, loving, enjoys working, dining out, quiet times at home. Seeking handsome, well-built, warm-hearted, considerate WM, 36-43, to share what life has to offer. **☎314707**

#### SEEKING A REAL MAN

Retired SBF, 49, likes the internet, watching tv, shopping, visiting friends, picnics, taking walks, parks, dining, hanging out with friends. Looking for a SBWM, 29-58. **☎314707**

#### ARE YOU OUT THERE?

SBF, 38, 5'4", 165lbs, brown/brown, drama-free, disease-free, looking for SBWM, 35-60, to talk to. I like movies, music, hanging out, travel, having fun. **☎317137**

#### COULD YOU BE THE ONE?

Bright, spunky, pretty SF, 47, educator, outgoing, pretty eyes, wishing to meet a kind Jewish man, 45-60, who's looking for commitment, love and laughter. **☎230694**

#### ONE GOOD WOMAN LEFT

SBF, 47, 5'7", full-figured, NS, likes roller skating, canoeing, exercise, theater, travel. Seeking a gentleman, 45-70, who is healthy, fun-loving, financially secure, looks decent. **☎287305**

#### A POLISHED DIAMOND

Attractive, sexy BF, 34, seeks true gentleman. You won't be disappointed when we meet. **☎287057**

#### ONLY SERIOUS NEED REPLY

Voluptuous SBF, 42, would like to meet a nice, serious SM, 35-50, who would like to become acquainted with a woman and who is ready, willing, and able to commit. **☎273603**

#### A NEW BEGINNING

SBF, 47, 5'4", likes action movies, swimming, dancing, plays, outdoors, just having fun. Seeking SM, 45-55, for friendship or more. **☎289151**

#### GREAT SENSE OF HUMOR

SWF, 27, mother, enjoys swimming, walking, nature, living outdoors. Seeking similar SM, 22-45, for companionship. **☎282578**

#### LET'S GET TOGETHER

SBF, 54, 5'8", NS, enjoys life's simple pleasures. Seeking SBWM, 49-62, NS, for friendship or more. **☎282444**

#### OUTGOING

BF, 24, student, looking for SM, 35-45, to go out and have fun with. Friendship first, hopefully leading to LTR. **☎292940**

#### PRETTY EYES

SBF, 31, voluptuous in all the right places, enjoys life, long walks, intellectual conversation. Seeking SM, 30-50, similar interests. **☎299970**

#### CALLING ALL GOLFERS!

WWF, 62, seeking golfer, best friend. 62-70, must be honest, NS, and active. Looking for LTR, don't delay call now. **☎376914**

#### WEST SIDE BEAUTY

Professionally employed in the beauty field. SWF, 56", slender, 54, seeks a gentleman, 44-52, HWP, many interests including music, movies, cultural events, camping, and most things outdoors, light smoker, for friendship leading to relationship. Sincere responses only. **☎230791**

#### SEEKING COMPANIONSHIP

Attractive SWF, 53", 125lbs, fun-loving blonde, retired, would love the companionship of a pleasant gentleman, 65-75. **☎891247**

### DOWN-TO-EARTH

Easygoing DWF, early 50s, would like to meet a really nice WM, 50-65, with the same qualities, minimal baggage, to share the ups and downs of life. Seeking possible LTR. **☎279171**

### ACTIVE WOMAN

SWF, 58, dark hair and eyes, NS, social drinker, likes bowling, bingo, garage sales, funny movies and more. If you would like to meet for coffee, let me know. **☎262181**

### MATURE MAN WANTED

SBF, 39, 5'4", 115lbs, caramel complexion, brown eyes, short blonde hair, wears glasses. Seeking tall, muscular SM, 25-40, who enjoys bookstores, movies, dining, writer. **☎287656**

### I NEED LOVE

Fun-loving, down-to-earth, outgoing, smart SBF, 20, loves having fun. Seeking SBWM, 18-30, who shares my lust for life. **☎300110**

### SEEKING SBM COMPANION

I'm short and cute, brown eyes, black hair, honest, funny, good cook, very sincere. I hope to find a friend/companion to enjoy things with. Preferably 55-75. Life is too short - have fun with me. **☎302311**

### SEEKING LOVING KINDNESS?

SBPF, 55, 5'4", interested in developing new friendships, maybe more. Seeks energetic SM, 40-65, NS, who loves reading, midnight picnics, walking, and exciting conversations. Must have good SOH and self-worth. **☎282618**

### TAKE A CHANCE

SBPF looking for SM, 45-57, with no children at home, who likes to have a good time, I enjoy going to movies, dining out, the park, outdoor and indoor activities. Let's develop a friendship first, possibly leading to more. **☎309229**

### MUST LOVE THE LORD

SBF, 18, 5'3", sweet singer, God-fearing, looking for similar SBHM, 18-27, for possible relationship. **☎311174**

### LOOK NO FURTHER

SBF, 18, 5'4", long black hair, light brown eyes, wants to meet that SM, 18-22, who is tired of playing games. **☎311011**

### DBF SEEKS LTR

Attractive, thick BF seeks LTR with totally unattached male, 48-65, not into games. Must be ready to start a new found friendship and see where it goes. Ballroom dancing is a plus. **☎310736**

### SEEKING A GENTLEMAN

WF, 59", blonde/blue, would like to meet a young-at-heart WM, 40-70, to hang out with, date and have a good time with. **☎310164**

### TIRED OF BEING ALONE

DBF, 50, 5'3", full-figured, NS, loving, independent, intelligent, down-to-earth, great sense of humor, enjoys going out and romantic evenings at home. Seeking S/DBM, 50+, with similar qualities and interests, who wants to enjoy the rest of life with no drama. **☎311753**

### SOPHISTICATED LADY

SBF, middle-aged, attractive, laid-back yet serious-minded and responsible, enjoys dining, movies, plays and bowling, seeks a SM, 48-69, NS, responsible, good sense of humor, with good values and morals, for serious relationship. **☎207254**

### PLUS-SIZED LADY...

34, 200lbs, sexy single mom, looking for SM, 37+, for friendship and dating leading to LTR. Is this your? Call me! **☎217231**

### VERY CUTE

SBF, 58, 5'3", 122lbs, interested in fit, good-looking, confident male, 45-60, NS, intelligent, sincere, down-to-earth, who wants to commit to someone special. **☎113198**

### ARE YOU SEEKING?

DWF, 60s, 5'2", Italian, brunette, attractive, well-dressed, sincere, loving, optimistic, likes theater, travel, dining, fitness. Wishing to meet NS WM, 60-72, financially secure, energetic, good morals, loves family & travel. **☎309806**

### I NEED A LOVE...

to keep me happy. Attractive, classy, delightful, charming WF, 49, no kids, seeks SM, 45+, no kids, NS, fun, loving, caring. **☎568059**

### KEEP COOL

SBF, 19, 5'3", looking for cool, down-to-earth, attractive SBHM, 18-25, who keeps it real. **☎27598**

### WARM SMILE

SBF, 21, NS, looking for SM, 21-40, for friendship first, possibly more. Call me, let's talk and get to know each other! **☎281787**

### PRETTY COMIC BOOK NERD

SWF, 21, red hair, blue eyes, 5'10", 165lbs, mature bodymind, looking for a lonely handsome man, 20-30, rascally open, clean-cut, open-minded, who can make me laugh and who is witty. **☎292913**

### MEN SEEKING WOMEN

#### HARD WORKER

SWM, 45, 6'5", short brown hair, grown kids, enjoys music, playing guitar, travel. Looking for similar SF, 35-45. **☎296097**

#### A GREAT GUY

Good-natured, good-looking SWM, 41, energetic, versatile, fun, passionate, into boating, casino, flea markets. Seeking conversation SWF for conversation and connection. **☎176478**

#### A SPECIAL GUY

DWM, 56, 5'10", handsome and secure, seeks honest S/DBM, who has a good sense of humor, who enjoys travel, candlelight dinners, plays, dancing, concerts, boating, and movies. Friendship, possible LTR. **☎269946**

#### CALL ME!

SWM, 45, likes sports, working out, cooking, bodybuilding. Looking for a similar lady for LTR. **☎319016**

#### SINGLE, HANDSOME WM

Marketing professional, part-time personal trainer, tall, athletic, muscular, 6'2", 205lbs, 40, brown/blue, depressed, looking for an attractive woman, with a great personality, who is friendly, positive, active and fun. **☎928364**

#### CUTE, CUDDLY COWBOY

Wise and kind SWM, 46, enjoys simplicity, art, fairs, flea markets, festivals. Seeking the company of a lady with similar interests. **☎200459**

#### SEEKS A SWEETHEART

SBM, 57, 5'10", 162lbs, medium brown complexion, clean-shaven, short hair, glasses, two grown sons, many interests including jazz, R&B, soul, playing pool, bowling, walking by the water, flea markets. Seeking attractive, loving, caring, free. **☎317257**

#### CAPRICORN

SBM, 51", 170lbs, medium complexion, likes sports, concerts and much more. Would like to meet a woman, 25+, who is easygoing and has a nice personality. **☎318568**

#### I PROMISE THAT YOU...

won't be disappointed. SBM, 50", 150lbs, likes walking out and spending time with that special person. Would like to meet a serious, goal-oriented woman, 20-48, with a nice personality. **☎318591**

#### HAVE FUN WITH ME

SWM, 45, 5'11", 230lbs, brown/brown, NS, N/Drugs, looking for SF 30-65, race open, who enjoys walks, bike riding, intelligent conversation, board games, classic movies, dining out or cooking at home and romantic evenings at home. **☎316819**

#### I'LL KEEP IT REAL

BM, 6'1", 185lbs, brown eyes, likes movies, concerts, cooking and much more. Would like to meet a secure, attractive, goal-oriented HBF, 21-45, for dating. **☎318792**

### EASYGOING

SBM, 38, 6'4", likes movies, jazz concerts, walks in the park, quiet moments at home, playing pool. Looking for SF, 35-45. **☎318935**

### WISHES DO COME TRUE

SWM, 6', 210lbs, short brown hair, short beard, seeking SWHF, down-to-earth, easygoing, honest, nice, petite to plus-sized, 35-60. **☎318836**

### LOVELY AND READY

SWM, 55, average build, Italian, Virgo, NS, looking for a SWF with similar qualities and who's ready for a serious relationship. Call me if interested. Rectford. **☎960305**

### WORTH THE CALL

SBM, 35, no kids, looking for a SBF, 24-34, NS, for good friendship possibly leading to more. Call me! **☎318056**

### IF INTERESTED, CALL

SWM, 43, 5'7", 160lbs, red/green secure homeowner, would like to meet a WF, 35-45, to get to know and date, possibly leading to more. **☎318518**

### EASYGOING

Sharp, sociable SWM, 45, with good character and pleasant personality, likes the outdoors, fishing, motor sports etc. WM SWF, for dating and more. **☎318781**

### FEMINE LADY WANTED

Attractive SWFM, 48, 5'10", 130lbs, NS, never married, loves outdoors, going to church, traveling, family time, candle light dinners, movies, long walks, holding hands, good conversation, seeking sweet, feminine lady, 30-50, for possible LTR. **☎291990**

### KEEP IT REAL

SWM, 55, 5'10", 150lbs, father of two, homeowner, wants to meet slender, average female, 25-45, who likes music, art, just hanging out. **☎287896**

### MAXIMUM RETURN ON...

your investment. Attractive, level-headed, down-to-earth female, 30-45, for fun, dating and possible LTR. **☎293155**

### LETS GET GOING!

SWM 40s, attractive, good shape, great listener, enjoys good conversation, friendship, spontaneous fun, and laughter, seeks personable SWF for dating and more. **☎128302**

### SEEKING EBONY WOMAN

Attractive SWFM, 41, seeking BF for dating. New to area and looking to explore the city. Sense of humor, easygoing, attractive, HW proportionate, affectionate, established, likes to travel. **☎282579**

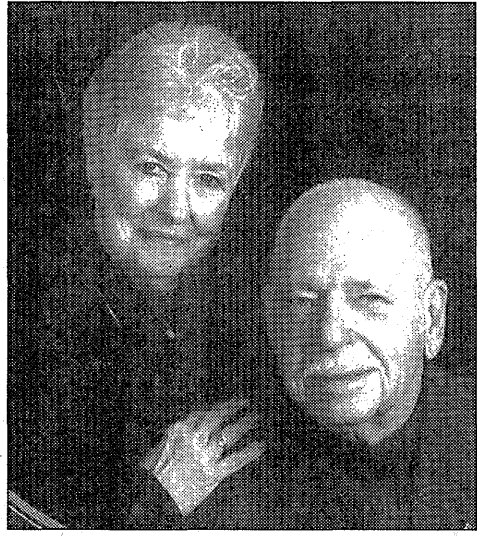
### LET'S MEET SOON!

SWM, 44, 190lbs, very good-looking, very fit, I have a good job, seeks nice woman, 25-41, to spend time with, leading to serious LTR. **☎247784**

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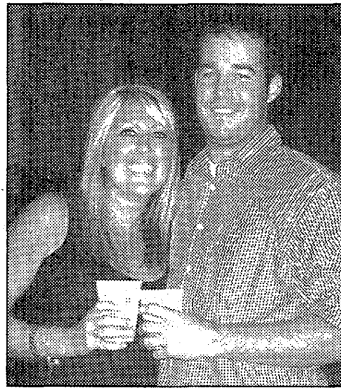
Thomas and Joyce Wietecha of Westland

58th wedding anniversary

Thomas and Joyce (Simkiss) Wietecha of Westland celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary with a family gathering in June. The couple married June 30, 1951 at St. Sebastian, Dearborn Heights.

Thomas, a University of Detroit graduate, was in the U.S. Air Force during WWII and retired from Ford Motor Co. in 1991 after 35 years as a cost estimator. He and Joyce, a homemaker, have been active in St. Bernardine Church in Westland.

The couple has three children: Sandra Nielsen in Canton; Thomas and his wife, Leah, in Ludington and Victor and his wife, Jean, in Brownstown Township. Their grandchildren are Aaron Nielsen (Heather) in Westland; Jamie (Nielsen) Langdon and her husband, Ken, in Las Vegas, Nev.; Drake and Kendal Wietecha in Ludington and McKenna Wietecha in Brownstown. They also have four grandchildren.



Gascon-Goyt

Rebecca Diane Gascon and Justin Ryan Goyt announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Teresa and Randy Gascon of Fowlerville, is a graduate of Fowlerville High School and Central Michigan University. She currently teaches in the Freeland school district.

Her fiancé is the son of Suzanne and Dennis Hug of Harbor Springs and Carol and Todd Goyt of South Lyon. Justin's parents are former Livonia residents. He is a graduate of South Lyon High School and Madonna University. His is currently employed by Principal Financial Group.

An August 2010 wedding is planned.



60th anniversary

Laverne F. Wadenstorer and Ida (Carnevale) Wadenstorer celebrated 60 years of marriage on July 16, 2009. The lifelong Farmington residents were born in Farmington and graduated from Farmington High School. They were local business owners for more than 50 years in Farmington.

Laverne, a Korean War veteran, is a past commander of the American Legion Post in Farmington. The couple raised nine children: Roma Rose Dean, RN; Debra Sue Kent, Farmington Hills 911 dispatcher (deceased); Frazer Anthony, MD; Laverne Leah Wilson, LPN; Dena Marie Suter, MBA; LaVerne Franklin Jr., engineer; Penny Ann McCall, writer/accountant; Julie Jean Pantelone, executive at Beaumont Hospital; Michele Bea Craft, master's computer science, entrepreneur.

They have 17 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. They celebrated their anniversary with close friends and relatives at the American Legion Post on Grand River in Farmington.



John and Regina Korzetz of Canton

Golden anniversary

John and Regina (Mech) Korzetz of Canton, formerly of Livonia, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with family this month. The couple wed Aug. 6, 1949 at Assumption Church, Detroit.

John retired in 1987 and Regina retired in 2006. They enjoy spending time with each other and with family.

They have four children: Katherine Bliss of Clarkston, Linda Brennan of Escondido, Calif., Nancy Leib of Plymouth, and the late Elizabeth Purcell.

They also have four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



Mia Love Mosquera

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Mia Love Mosquera was born June 1, 2009 at Providence Park, Novi.

Proud parents are Jason and Melissa Mosquera of Livonia.

Grandparents are Gregory and Susan Bias of Dearborn, Sharon and Martin Buzenberg of Canton, Sherry and Dave Miller of Westland and Raymond and Marie Mosquera of Westland.

Great-grandparents are Robert and Betty Bias of Redford, Carol Longmire of Garden City, Alphonse and Dora Mosquera of Westland and Pearl and Hiro Tsurui of Wayne.



Felix and Geraldine (Betty) Rotter of Plymouth

Celebrating 68 years

Felix and Geraldine (Betty) Rotter of Plymouth will celebrate their 68th wedding anniversary Aug. 30.

The couple married in 1941 in Lincoln Park. Their children are Carol and Al Sabatini of Grand Rapids, Susan and Mike Kalis of Canton and Fred Rotter of Brownstown.

They have four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Felix was a math and machinery instructor for the Henry Ford Trade school and Schoolcraft College.

He retired from his own design and build machine company. Both Felix and Geraldine are active in the Optimist Club of Plymouth.

A family gathering will highlight the anniversary.



Cooper-Kronk

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Phil and Kathy Kronk of Livonia are pleased to announce the engagement of their son, Bradley Joseph Kronk, to Tana Kathryn Cooper, daughter of Paul and Kathleen Cooper of Salvisa, Ky.

Brad graduated from Eastern Michigan University and the bride-to-be is a graduate of Botsford Hospital's residency program.

The couple plans an October 2009 wedding.

They will make their home in Mississippi.

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ELAINE H. BRADFORD

Elaine H. Bradford died August 2, 2009 at her residence in Vero Beach. She was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and lived in Vero Beach for 14 years coming from Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. Mrs. Bradford attended 1st Presbyterian Church of Vero Beach and was a member of Moorings Club, Vero Beach, FL and long time member of the Oakland Hills Country Club, Bloomfield Hills, MI. Survivors include her daughter, Diane Finegan and her husband, J. Richard Finegan of Incline Village, NV, grandsons, Kevin Finegan of Reno, NV and Sean Finegan of Troy, MI. She was preceded in death by her husband of 51 years, John L. "Brad" Bradford in 1990. Memorial contributions may be made to Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice Foundation. Arrangements by Strunk Funeral Home and Crematory Vero Beach, Florida.

ELSIE L. NYYST

Age 81 of Farmington Hills passed away July 28, 2009. Dear wife of the late Tenho; loving mother of Margaret Zakrisson, Robert, Caroline (Paul) Riddell, Marcia (Thomas) Bozek and the late Richard. She is also survived by 8 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandchild. Private funeral services were held at the Glen Eden Memorial Park Chapel; Reverend Art Ritter presided. Memorial contributions may be made to Meadowbrook Congregational Church, 21355 Meadowbrook Road, Novi, MI 48375. Heeneey-Sundquist.com

FRANCES RISING GUENTHER

Died August 4 in Santa Rosa, California. She was 86. Mrs. Guenther was born in Columbus, Ohio, on September 6, 1922, daughter of the late Russell and Celia Rogers Rising. She attended the Columbus School for Girls, the Madeira School, Smith College and Ohio State University. She married John Charles Guenther in 1946. They later moved to Birmingham, Michigan, where they lived for 23 years and raised their children. Mrs. Guenther was active in the Junior League and the Village Women's Club. After Mr. Guenther's retirement from Chrysler Corporation in 1975, they lived in Stuart, Florida for 30 years. Mrs. Guenther is survived by her children Cicely Winter of Oaxaca, Mexico; Ann Tamminen and Karen Guenther of Sebastopol, California; John Guenther of Aspen, Colorado; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Contributions in Mrs. Guenther's name may be made to Memorial Hospice, 821 Mendocino Ave., Santa Rosa, CA 95401.



KAREN JAYNE MARTIN

Age 42, August 2, 2009. Beloved daughter of Margaret (Monte) Milliron. Dear sister of Christopher (Diane) and Thomas (Laura) Martin. Dear aunt of Raymond and Troy. Also survived by 3 step-sisters, 1 step-brother, aunts, uncles and cousins. Visitation was held at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Rd., Livonia, Saturday from 9:30 until Memorial Service that was held at 11 a.m. Memorial contributions may be directed to the Williams Syndrome Association or the ARC of Northwest Wayne County. Please share a memory at [www.rgharris.com](http://www.rgharris.com).



LYMAN KIEL

Age 86 of Ypsilanti, August 5, 2009. Dear father of Pamela Howard, Paula (Dave) Hopper, Kurt (Brenda) Haag, and Lisa M. (Mary Locey) Kiel. Proud grandfather of Daniel Hopper, Elizabeth Ann Hopper, Erik James Haag, Jakob Lyman Kiel-Locey, and Sean Robert Kiel-Locey. Brother of Anita Snodgrass. Also leaves many nieces and nephews. He was a loving family man, a US Army veteran of World War II, and a long time member of AA. Visitation was Friday from 2 PM until 3 PM Funeral at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 W Ann Arbor Rd (btwn Sheldon and Beck) Plymouth. Burial at Forest Grove Cemetery, Jamestown Township MI. Memorial contributions to Alcoholics Anonymous would be appreciated by the family. To share memories please visit [vermeulenfuneralhome.com](http://vermeulenfuneralhome.com).

MARGARET (Marge) BROWN SAEFKOW

Age 93, passed peacefully at home in Brevard, NC, Monday, July 27, 2009. She was born in Cleveland, OH, to the late Joan and William Brown. She was preceded in death by her husband, William F. Saeckow, who also was born in Cleveland, and by her brother, Douglas. Surviving are her daughter, Susan Saeckow Brown of Brevard, and her son, William F. Saeckow Jr., his wife Mary Jo and grandchildren Andrew, Margaret (Peggy) and Henry Saeckow, all of Columbus, OH. Marge will be dearly missed by her family and the many friends she made over the years in Cleveland; Birmingham, MI; Siesta Key, FL; Brevard and Highlands, NC. A remembrance service will be held later this fall in Highlands. Memorial contributions may be made to USA National Salvation Army, 615 Slaters Lane, P.O. Box 269, Alexandria, VA 22313



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MARJORIE PATTERSON

Age 89, passed away Saturday, August 1, 2009, in a local assisted living health center. Memorial Service: 1 p.m. Tuesday, August 11, 2009, at Heeneey-Sundquist Funeral Home, 23720 Farmington Road, Farmington, Michigan 48336, (248) 474-5200. A memorial celebration will be at a later date in her son's home in Southlake. Marjorie was born June 26, 1920, in Michigan to Frank and Lydia Mertens Ohst. Marjorie made a great contribution to our country during World War II as one of the group who became known as "Rosie The Riveter" as they helped produce weapons used during the war. Marjorie was a dedicated caregiver to her husband and to her son and to many others. Her gifts of service were evident in libraries, churches and as a volunteer at Maple Grove Hospital in West Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. She devoted her life to helping others. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert L. Patterson in 1987, a son, Chris Patterson and a sister, Gertrude Riching. Survivors: Marjorie is survived by sons, Mark Patterson and wife, Kathlyn, and Michael Patterson and wife, Heidi; grandchildren, Kari Reasnor and husband, Micah, and Jennifer Cannefax and husband, Cody, and Lisa Fairley and husband, Dave, and Hollie Visage and husband, Britt, and Gregory Patterson and wife, Penny, and Becky Patterson and Joel Patterson; Mother of Kari and Jennifer, Diane Hobbs; loving, caring, helping nieces Margie Pierce and husband, Greg, and Karen Baker, and Donna Mahoney and husband, Bill; Nephews, Scott Riching and wife, Karen, and Tommy Riching and wife, Denise.

MARK LOUIS TRUJILLO

52 years old, passed away in Scottsdale, Arizona on July 4, 2009. A dear friend, son, and brother, Mark is the son of Rose Ann and the late John Trujillo of Redford Twp., Michigan. He is survived by his mother Rose Ann, and his siblings: Annette, John, Joan, Linda, Gail, Gary, Gerard, Beth, Tim, Mike, Jeff, Marie, Mary Jo & Tom, and by his dearest and closest friend, Roger Bobcean. A life ended all too soon, Mark, we love you and we will miss you. A memorial service will be held for Mark on August 15, 2009 at 12 pm at St. Priscilla's Church in Livonia, Michigan.

ROBERT A. ATKINSON

Age 82 of Livonia. Husband of Marjorie Carrier of Rome, NY for 44 years. Family is honoring his wishes of cremation and no service.



ROBERT EARL BUSELL

August 3, 2009, age 72 of Birmingham. Beloved husband of Margaret for 40 years. Loving father of Stuart M. D. (Arlan). Grandfather of Erik and Juliet. Longtime Boy Scout leader with Troop 1004 of Birmingham where he served as Scout Master. Services have been held. A.J. Desmond & Sons, 248-362-2500. Memorial tributes to Boy Scouts of America, Detroit Area Council, 1776 W. Warren, Detroit, MI 48208-2235. View obituary and share memories at: [www.DesmondFuneralHome.com](http://www.DesmondFuneralHome.com)

VOJISLAV (BILL) SARCEVIC

Age 81, August 1, 2009 Beloved Husband of Violet. Dearest Father of Delcy (Mark) McArthur, Nancy (Heinz-Peter) Jansen, and Ronnie. Loving Grandfather of Ian, Karin, Ross, Meredith, Heather, Peter, Milena, and Alexandra Violet. Dear Brother of Ilinka (Vojo) Vulcevic, and the late Vlado and the late Nikola. Visitation was held Wednesday 2-9pm, with a 7:30pm Pomen Service at McCabe Funeral Home, 31950 W. 12 Mile Rd., Farmington Hills. In State Thursday 10:00 am until time of Service 11:00 am at St. Lazarus Serbian Orthodox Church, 4575 E. Outer Drive, Detroit. Interment Woodlawn Cemetery. [www.mccabefuneralhome.com](http://www.mccabefuneralhome.com)

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# NEIGHBORS

## Jump-start the school year with reading, routines

BY JULIE BROWN  
O&E STAFF WRITER

The start of school's still a ways off, but local educators have some common sense advice for parents on getting young kids off to a good start.

Jan Blumberg, principal of Henry Ruff Elementary in the Garden City district, says parents can begin developing a routine for September now. They can start gradually with earlier bedtimes and evening rituals.

Morning wakeup times also should be earlier. Children need time for a good breakfast, as well as grooming, and should be able to pick clothes independently. Children need comfortable, washable clothes, layered and clearly labeled with the child's name.

Blumberg, a Canton resident, suggests talking about school, perhaps with a countdown calendar. Kids need time to voice hopes, dreams and fears about school.

Walking the school route now is a good idea, especially for kindergartners, and parents can drive the school route now "so that it becomes a comfortable part of normal routine," Blumberg said.

Parents can talk about expectations and beliefs. Parents who didn't have positive school experiences should "think before they speak and talk about how important it (education) is."

Children should understand appropriate behavior and expectations, such as the need to wait and use "manner words" like please and thank you. It's good to work on reading, writing and math in the summer, and public library resources and good Web sites will help.

A good idea is a journal or album of the child's summer, with writing and artwork, Blumberg said.

"Have fun with the children during the year," she said. Many worry now about making ends meet financially, but they need to remember the kids. "If they can put their kids first, everything's going to work out," Blumberg said.

### FAMILY DINNER

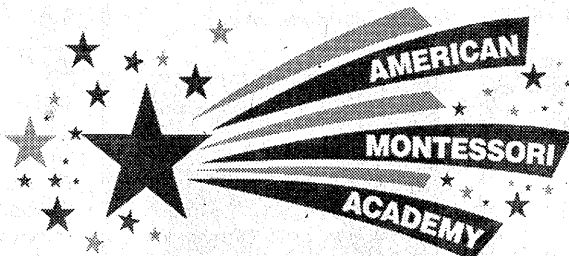
Priscilla David, a fourth-grade teacher at Grant Elementary in the Livonia district, also looks forward to a great school year. Livonia resident David agreed starting school year routines now is good. That includes a good breakfast and dinners together as a family.

It's vital to work out how to handle homework and



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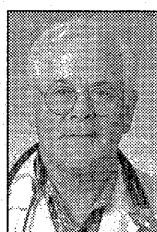
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# Some problems remain the same

The gentleman called the radio show and informed me that his 20-year-old side by side refrigerator was no longer cooling at all. It was kitchen temperature inside the product and he wondered if he should just junk it and go out and purchase a new one.

After asking a few questions I directed the man to pull the refrigerator out away from the wall and remove the cardboard cover on the lower back portion of the refrigerator. He did so and informed me that the compressor was hot to the touch. He noticed that the fan blade on the cooling



**Appliance Doctor**

Joe Gagnon

motor was not turning and he touched it with his finger which prompted it turn at full speed. Through trial and error this person discovered what was wrong with his refrigerator. Now it was a simple matter of changing the fan motor. Not a difficult job for any homeowner, he removed the three screws that hold the motor into a bracket

and replaced it himself. The old motor had a dry bearing and would only work some of the time. The compressor over heated and stopped cooling.

Another person called and said the jam on the top shelf in the refrigerator was warm and so was the rest of the refrigerator section. I asked him to open the door and press in on the light switch button to see if the light goes out. It didn't and so the light stayed on while the refrigerator was operating. The person replaced the light switch and solved the problem themselves.

Speaking of light switches

I've read where there is a problem with a certain model of LG refrigerators. The light switch is failing and causing the plastic covers to melt and create smoke inside the refrigerator. They are using two 60-watt light bulbs which will cause any plastic piece to possibly catch fire. I expect we will hear more on this problem as soon as it has been reported to the Product Safety Commission.

The major appliances of today are still made with many of the basic concepts incorporated many years ago. Yes, there is a ton of electronics designed to make appliances more energy efficient than ever before and these have proven to be very expensive repair tabs for consumers

needing service. Even so, I still maintain that the do-it-yourselfer can do many of the repairs necessary when the need arises. Many times all a homeowner needs is a little direction on how to take the product apart and the rest is common sense. The problem is sometimes finding a place to call or a service technician who will take the time to explain what has to be done in order to save the expense of a service call. This has always been an age-old problem. The manufacturers may direct you to a toll-free number which allows you to speak to someone in a far off land. The conversation sometimes turns out to be far-out and you're more irritated than before you called.

A few months ago my son Mark decided to open his own business in appliance repair and do what I spent years teaching him. Located in Livonia, he is doing quite well and I am receiving compliments from his customers and thankfully no complaints. I asked him for a part time job recently as I need something more to do with my old age. In the near future I will sit behind a desk in his office and answer the telephone continuing to help consumers who have a question on how to fix an appliance. People will be able to contact me at (734) 953-6991 or on the Web at [appliancedoctorgagnon@yahoo.com](mailto:appliancedoctorgagnon@yahoo.com).

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## SCHOOL

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any sports played, said David, a former second-grade teacher.

"It's always a good idea to let children know what your expectations are ahead," said David, a 14-year veteran of teaching, mostly at Grant. Routines help children feel more secure, she said.

David recommends sticking to the school supply list and avoiding unnecessary purchases. There are sales now for supplies, and kids will need such basics as crayons, markers and pencils. "The moderation thing applies," she said, adding some items are available at garage sales.

Younger kids need help with homework, so parents can sit with them to boost confidence. Parents can check over work of older kids, circling problem areas or adding a question mark to give a hint.

"Sometimes they speed through it and they think nobody's going to notice," she said of checking homework.

### OPEN A BOOK

"Children should be reading every single night," said David, a view echoed by Blumberg. Parents can read to young children, reminding them of left to right and beginning to end. "The pleasure reading is most important," she added, noting fourth-graders typically read

30 minutes of pleasure reading a night.

Parents may tire of a certain book, but children benefit from rereading. "Sometimes you comprehend new things," the Livonia teacher said. "It helps build your confidence level."

David was just back from a Wayne RESA conference and excited about the new school year. "It's always a good school year," she said. "It always turns out that way. It's what we make of it."

Also excited is Laura Beckman, principal of Jefferson-Barns Elementary in the Wayne-Westland district. "Routines are the key to success," agreed Beckman, who lives in the Wayne-Westland district part of Canton.

Beckman cites bedtimes, evening routines and having the child's backpack and lunch ready "so students come to school rested and ready to learn."

### TURN OFF TV

The Westland principal recommends a well-lit homework area with needed supplies. Getting into the routine of doing homework and reading each night will help.

"That will make the biggest difference, especially with the early learners," Beckman said. "Turn the TV off," she added of nightly reading time. She does that herself as a mom. Beckman likes to post the

school newsletter on the fridge to help keep organized.

She urges parents to meet the teacher early and keep lines of communication open. Open houses are a great meet and greet, and a chance to learn homework procedures.

You can meet the teacher at another time if you have a work conflict, she added.

"It's going to be a great school year. I'm looking forward to it," Beckman said.

The educators agree teachers need to know about family issues like a divorce or major illness at home. A family death will be shared with classmates as appropriate, David said, noting children will be encouraged to show sympathy to the grieving child.

Blumberg finds there's some sense of entitlement and an assumption of "My child is perfect" among some parents. She said parents "have to come in with an open mind," and have the ability to sit back and listen.

David urges parents to maintain a positive attitude toward learning and not to badmouth a teacher. If there's a problem, parents should talk to the teacher first and not the child.

"We're the adults, they're the children," David said. "You can talk it out" by being honest and forthright, she said. "Communication is really important."

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"Crocodile Dock" will be held 6:30-9:00 p.m. through Aug. 14 at Aldersgate, 10000 Beech Daly between W. Chicago and Plymouth roads. It's designed for children age 3 through those entering 7th grade in the fall.

Call (313) 937-3170. "A Ticket to Adventure" will run 6:30-8:30 p.m., through Aug. 13 at Cherry Hill United Methodist, 321 S. Ridge, Canton. It's designed for all ages — from preschool through adults. (734) 495-0035.

Calling "green thumbs" The DTE Energy gardens

project still needs volunteers to water, weed and harvest the gardens that produce vegetables for Gleaners Community Food Bank. Volunteer sessions run from 4-7 p.m. Here's the schedule for local and nearby gardens:

- Farmington Hills - Sunset Station, 38600 W. 10 Mile Road, Thursdays
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- South Lyon - Cody Station, 58920 Nine Mile Road, Wednesdays

For more information call Marc Zupmore at (313)-235-3579 or e-mail to Mike McDonald at mcdonald@gcfc.org. Sign up online at www.gcfc.org. Click on volunteer opportunities.



Cindy Moore and Matt Dalley pick beans at a DTE Energy garden in Plymouth Township.

## Here's the buzz on Killer Cicada Wasps

BY SHARON DARGAY  
O&E STAFF WRITER

Sphecius speciosus is here. They're building homes right under your nose — at the edge of your lawn, near your favorite park, along your daily walking route.

They're skimming the ground, flying through the air, poised to paralyze and kill.

But don't worry. These winged invaders aren't intent on harming you.

They've got it out for summer cicadas.

"They'll fly around shrubs and trees and lawns looking for cicada. I think 'Cicada Killer Wasp' gives them a bad name. They're not really aggressive toward humans," said Brian Wilson, Livonia superintendent of public service.

Still, that's what the scary-looking insect, with its yellow-lined black body, red-dish-colored head, and yellow wings is commonly called. The two-inch long wasp also has been dubbed "Sand Hornet"

and "Giant Ground Hornet" or "Giant Cicada Killer."

Cicadas are those beetle-like bugs that live in trees and make loud creaking sounds on summer nights.

Wilson said his department has received calls from residents wondering what to do about the sandy-looking, ant hill-like nests and big, buzzing insects.

"We've been advising them that they are not aggressive and that it's not a situation like yellow jackets or hornets," Wilson said. "I did a little battle with bald-faced hornets who are extremely aggressive. If you come near their nest they'll come after you."

But simply walking near Cicada Killer Wasp nests isn't likely to stir up any stinging action. The males don't sting and the females are busy hunting for cicadas, which they sting and stockpile at home.

"Now, if you decide to take a shovel to their nest, it may be a different story. They're not aggressive toward humans unless you want to make them

aggressive," he said, adding "We don't typically spray for the ones we encounter on city property."

He said that although there have been more inquiries about the insects this year, the bugs will be gone by the end of September. They generally appear in mid-July and live through summer, depositing eggs in August before they die.

Wilson suspects the cooler-than-usual temperatures in June and July postponed their arrival this year and likely will lengthen their stay into next month.

An over-the-counter insecticide will kill them, but good lawn care may be the best method to control Killer Cicada Wasps. They generally settle in dry, sparse, sandy areas. Allowing bare spots and dry, brown areas to spread in a parched lawn is like putting out a welcome mat for these insects.

"If you have more of a lush type of lawn, they're not going to pick on it," Wilson noted.

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**Birmingham High School Class of 1953 and 1954**  
55th reunion weekend, Oct. 9-10, at Centerpointe Marriott, in Pontiac. Call Denise Baldwin at (248) 540-4078 for details.  
**Blessed Sacrament High School Class of 1949**  
Call Delores Calcaterra Streicher at

(734) 422-8780 for complete information about a reunion on Tuesday, Aug. 25.  
**Clarenceville High School All Class Reunion**  
10 a.m. to park closing, Sunday, Aug. 30, 2009 at Kensington Metropark, 2240 West Buno, Milford at South Martindale, Shelter T. Bring a dish to pass for 1 p.m., potluck lunch. BYOB for adult beverages in non-glass containers. To help cut cost, feel free to bring a package of burgers, hot dogs, and buns. This invitation includes everyone who attended the Livonia Clarenceville School system. Staff and faculty also welcome. For more

information, contact Walter Ragland II at [wragland2@hotmail.com](mailto:wragland2@hotmail.com) or (269) 720-5679.  
**Dearborn Heights Riverside Class of 1967**  
42-year reunion is planned for Sept. 18-19, 2009. Event includes: Friday night graduate-only get-together with pizza and salad (\$10) at DeLuca's, 27424 W. Warren Road, Westland; Saturday night dinner at Joy Manor, 28999 Joy Road, Westland. Tickets for Saturday event are \$35 per person. Contact Gerry Porta for more information at (734) 718-9401 or [gwiatr@gmail.com](mailto:gwiatr@gmail.com).  
**Detroit Cody Classes from 1950-1969**  
11 a.m.-6 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 23 at Nankin Mills Pavilion, Ann Arbor Trail and Hines Drive. BYO and chairs. Music and memorabilia will be supplied. The "Optomystics" will sing. There will be door prizes, hot dogs, bottled water, T-shirts and sweatshirts, tassels, music CDs and more. Free parking for Classic Cars. No need to register. Just show up. Classmates.com has photos from past picnics. Questions? Call Phil Varilone at (313) 562-3579 or Jerry Marszalek at (313) 532-0134.  
**Detroit Redford Classes of 1954-1955**  
5 p.m., Oct. 13, at the Bavarian Inn Lodge, Frankenmuth; \$45 per person. See [www.redfordhighschoolreunion.com](http://www.redfordhighschoolreunion.com) for details. Clas of '54 contact Doug King at [dking000@ameritech.net](mailto:dking000@ameritech.net). Class of '55 contact, Mary Morris Hunter at [m.morris.rhs55@wowway.com](mailto:m.morris.rhs55@wowway.com).  
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**Detroit St. Philip Neri Class of 1937-1970**  
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65th reunion, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Friday, Sept. 25, at Park Place, 23400 Park Street, one block south of Michigan Avenue, west of Outer Drive, in Dearborn. Cost is \$25 per person and includes luncheon. Send a check payable to "Fordson 65th Reunion" to Tom Novacheff, 50729 Raintree Circle, Chesterfield Township, MI 48047. Canceled check is your receipt. For more information call Delores Dyszard Haush at (313) 278-4707.  
**Class of 1954**  
55-year reunion Oct. 1 at the Stitt American Legion Post 232 in Dearborn Heights. For more information, call Nancy Barlow Gaspar at (313) 581-6623.  
**Garden City High School East Class of 1959**  
3 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, 2009 high school tour; 6:30 p.m. Albert's On The Alley; 11 a.m. Saturday Sept. 19, Garden City Museum tour; 6 p.m. to midnight party at K. of C., 30759 Ford Road and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, picnic and old car show at Garden City Park large pavilion. Bring your own picnic and some to share. For more information, call Lana Clark at (734) 721-2331, Jim McKendrick at (734) 788-5165, Carl Gowan at (517) 548-1523, or Jim Porth at (734) 522-1845.

**Garden City West Class of 1979**  
Holds a 30-year class reunion on Oct. 24, 2009 at the Hellenic Cultural Center on Joy Road in Westland. Classmates should register on the private Web site, <http://www.classcreator.com/Garden-City-MI-Garden-City-West-1979>, to get all information. Tickets will go on sale in the upcoming months on the Web site. E-mail questions to [gcv79reunion@yahoo.com](mailto:gcv79reunion@yahoo.com).  
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**Classes of 1968-1970**  
Combined class reunion Friday, Nov. 27, 2009, at the Radisson Hotel Detroit-Livonia, I-275 and Six Mile. For details, visit [www.bentley686970.org](http://www.bentley686970.org) to e-mail, or call Connie (Scarlett) Flynn class of 1968 at (734) 812-7936, Bev (Valentine) Wilkie class of 1969 at (248) 366-6492 or Colleen Siembor class of 1970 at (734) 455-1395.  
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**Class of 1989**  
20-year Class Reunion, 6 p.m. to midnight, Saturday, Aug. 15, at the Livonia Marriott, 17100 N. Laurel Park Drive. Tickets \$55 (cash bar); checks payable to FHS Class of 1989, mail to: FHS 89 Class Reunion, P.O. Box 6139, Plymouth, MI 48170. Include contact information. For information, e-mail Angie at [amiller@ctitle.com](mailto:amiller@ctitle.com) or Dennis at [denny\\_dilorenzo@yahoo.com](mailto:denny_dilorenzo@yahoo.com) or call Dennis DiLorenzo at (734) 968-0064. Hotel reservations can be made at the Livonia Marriott, (800) 228-9290, or [www.marriott.com](http://www.marriott.com). Group reservation rates under Livonia Franklin 20-Year Reunion.

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**Plymouth High School Class of 1969**  
40th class reunion 6 p.m. to midnight, Saturday Sept. 19, at the Plymouth Elks Club. Dinner at 7 p.m. Cost is \$25 per person. Cash bar. For more detail or to RSVP contact [phs1969@aol.com](mailto:phs1969@aol.com). Looking for missing classmates. Contact [phs1969@aol.com](mailto:phs1969@aol.com) with your name address telephone number and email address.  
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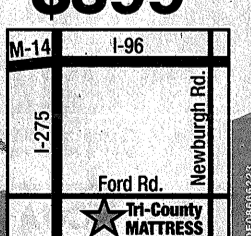


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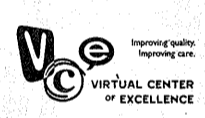
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## Go back to school healthy Walks raise donations, awareness, memory

With the start of school just around the corner, Deepa Pai, M.D., a physician in Family Medicine at Henry Ford Medical Center - Canton, talks about the importance of back-to-school physicals.



Pai

**Q - How often do children need a complete physical?**  
 A - At least once a year, a health care provider needs to examine the child and touch base with the parents. The beginning of the school year is a good time for this. Students who will be participating in athletic programs need sports physicals.

**Q - Aside from examining the child, what else is included in a physical?**  
 A - I am going to be looking at age-appropriate development, activity levels, nutrition, safety and check that immunizations are up to date. A good family history from the parents is important, as any significant family history can indicate if a child is in a high-risk group for a future condition. In that case, further screening may be needed.

The annual physical is a good time to review any prescriptions. Although most children do not take medications regularly, those with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), diabetes, or asthma need to have their medications adjusted periodically.

**Q - Don't children with asthma have some restrictions on their activities?**  
 A - I don't recommend restricting their activities, as long as the asthma is under control.

However, it's important for coaches to be informed about medical concerns, so they will know what to watch for in students on their teams. A doctor may need to consider whether the child should be using rescue medications (bronchodilators) prior to activities.

**Q - Do you talk to families about healthy eating?**  
 A - Yes, nutrition concerns are becoming increasingly important. Working parents don't always have time for cooking healthy meals, but they are in charge of what foods are available in the home for children to select. The alternative is that the next generation of children will be obese and at high-risk of heart disease. I'm seeing more teenagers with elevated blood pressure and diabetes, and they are taking medications at a younger age than in previous years. This definitely tells us the next generation is

going to have more advanced cardiovascular issues.

**Q - Even kids have full schedules. What about getting enough rest?**  
 A - Eight to 12 hours of sleep a night is recommended for children. I always emphasize a good bedtime routine. Proper rest helps to keep metabolism at an optimum level.

**Q - Is there anything parents need to bring to their child's physical?**  
 A - Bring your child's current immunization records, medications the child is taking, any test results from other doctors, medical issues, and your questions. It's a good idea to write down your questions in advance, so you will remember to discuss them with the doctor.

**Q - So parents and doctors are equal partners in their children's health care?**  
 A - Parents need to take an active part in their children's health care. The doctor only gets about 20 minutes with the child. Parents have the best effect on their children's health and can always ask their health care provider for advice. That's the way it should be.

lace up those sneakers and go "Walkin' on the Wild Side" with the Hemophilia Foundation of Michigan Saturday, Aug. 29 at the Detroit Zoo.

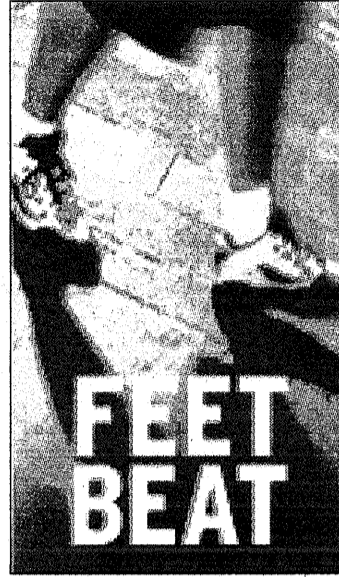
Walkers can form a team, walk as individuals or "walk" virtually by supporting the cause without actually pounding the pavement.

Adults, children, families, co-workers, and friends; people of all ages may join the cause. Registration (with breakfast) begins at 7:45 a.m.; the 2.1 mile walk kicks off at 9 a.m. There will be entertainment, prizes, and fun for all ages. Walkers may stay and enjoy a day at the zoo after the event.

The foundation's fund-raising goal is \$100,000 - nearly the annual cost of treatment for a person with hemophilia. Each walker who raises at least \$100 will receive a Walkin' on the Wild Side T-shirt, souvenir water bottle, and \$5 in "Zoo Bucks," good at any concession within the zoo.

A minimum donation of \$10 is required for entry to the event. There is no admission charge for children under 2. To form a team online or donate to a team, go to <http://www.active.com/donate/wild-walk> or contact Dawn at (800) 482-3041.

**SLEEP WALKING**  
 Sweet Dreamzzz, a non-profit organization committed to providing bedtime essentials and sleep education to at-risk children in preparation for classroom learning, will hold its 5.4K Sleepwalk



Run Saturday, Sept. 26 in Shiawassee Park, Shiawassee Road in Farmington.

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tech.net. Visit the organization's Web site at [www.sweetdreamzzzdet.com](http://www.sweetdreamzzzdet.com). The walk is aimed at bringing awareness to the 540 minutes of sleep a child needs each night.

Standard entry fee is \$25; youth fee is \$15; senior fee, age 55 and over, \$10 and day-of entry fee, \$30.

**IN REMEMBRANCE**  
 Angela Hospice will hold its second annual Walk of Remembrance Saturday, Sept. 12, on the grounds of the Felician Sisters, including the Angela Hospice Care Center, 14100 Newburgh, Livonia. Registration will start at 8 a.m., with the walk beginning at 9 a.m.

Walkers honor, remember and celebrate loved ones who have died. Refreshments will be available after the 3K and 5K walks.

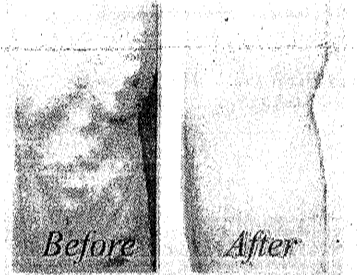
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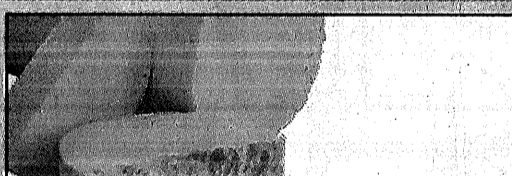
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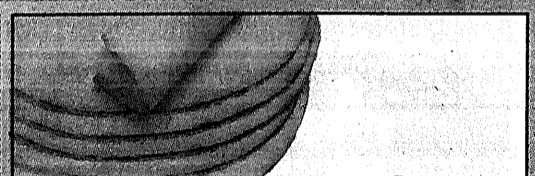
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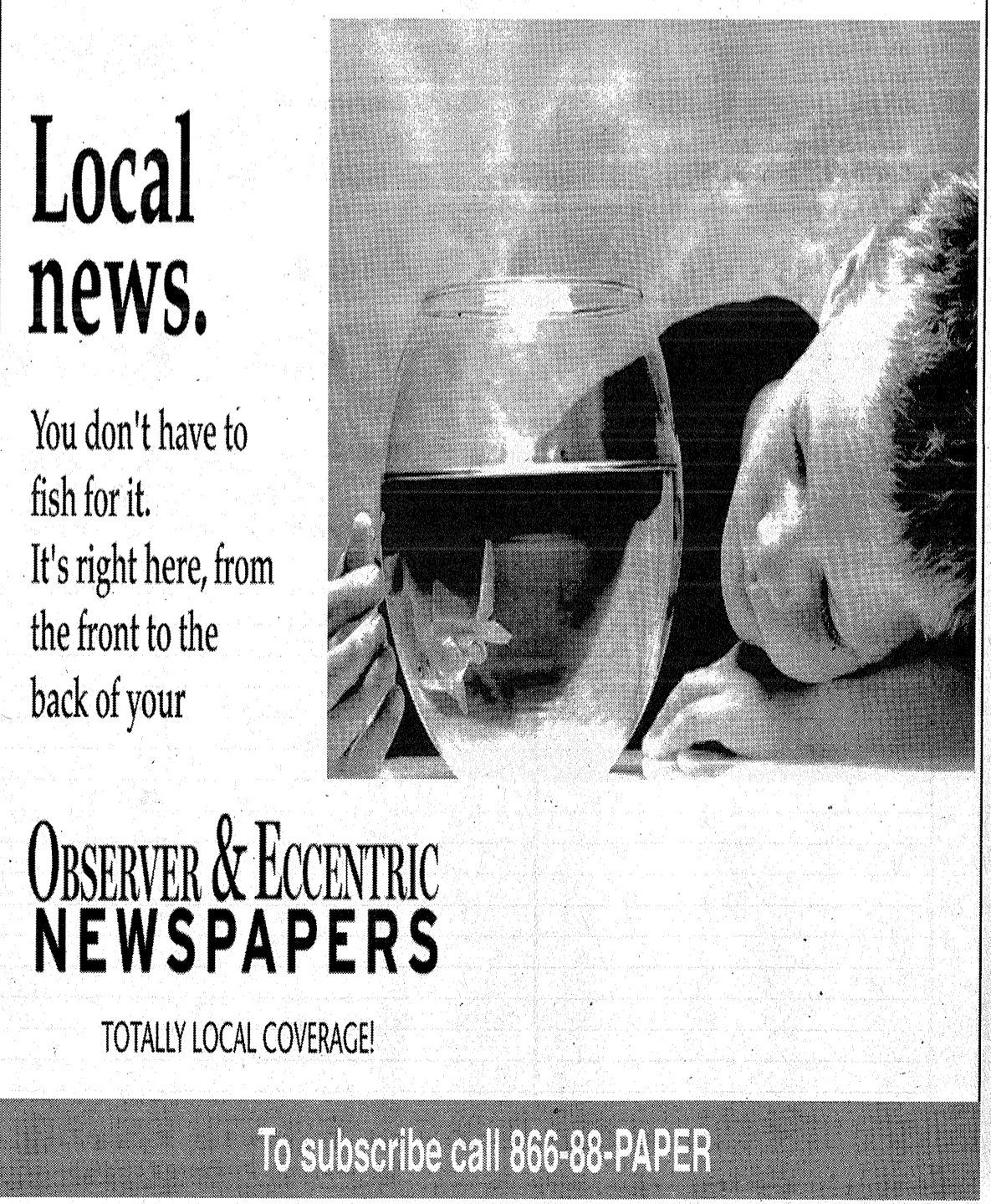
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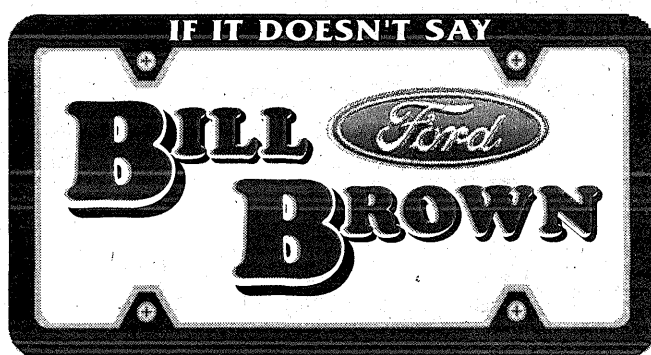
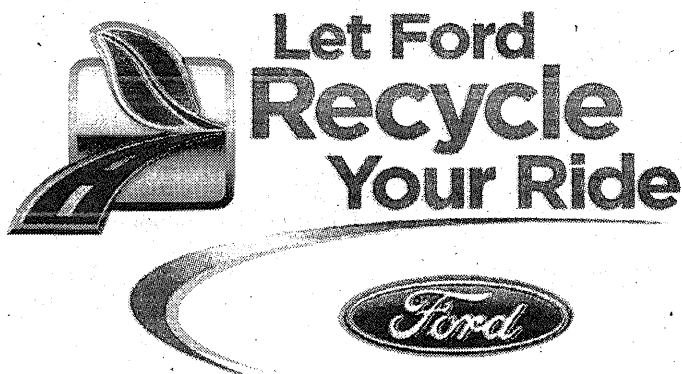
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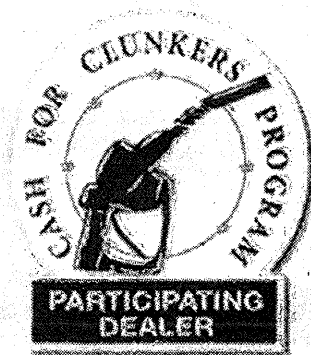
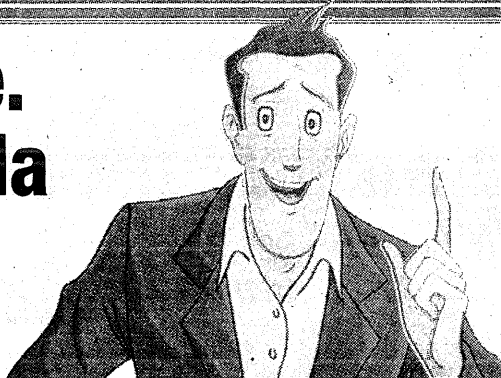


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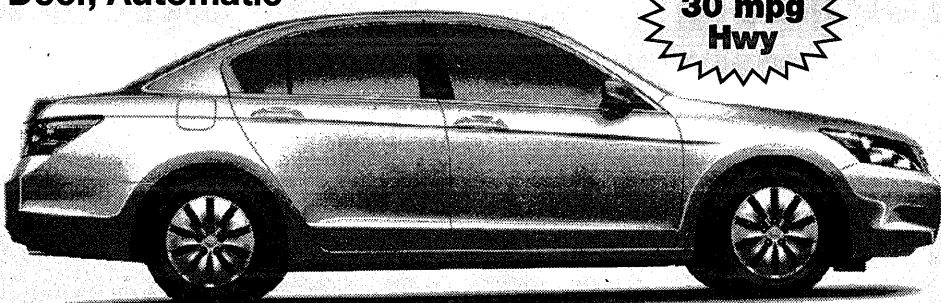
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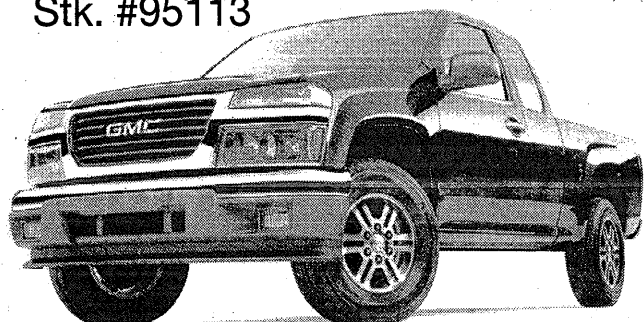
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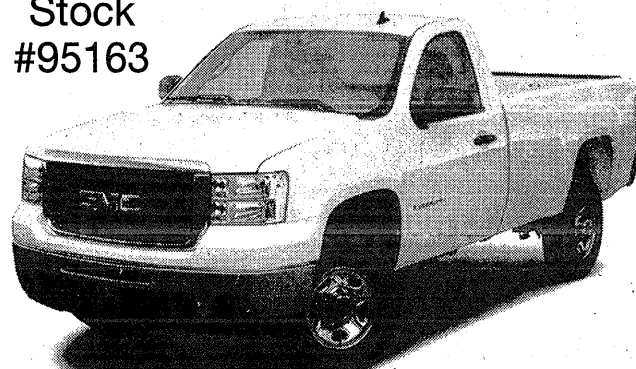
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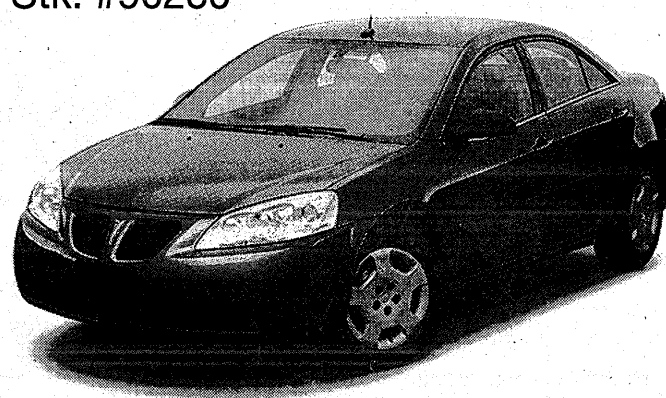
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