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Trash time

Because of the Labor Day holiday, there will be no curbside trash, recycling or yard waste collection in Plymouth or Plymouth Township on Monday. The collection schedule for the rest of the week will be delayed by one day in both communities.

Residents should have garbage, recycling and yard waste out to the curb for pickup on the day following their normal collection day. In Plymouth Township, collection will take place Tuesday through Saturday. In Plymouth, collection will take place Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Study Group

The Canton Youth Celebration Orchestra will offer a season preview as a kickoff of the Plymouth Study Group's fall 2009 Thursday morning meetings.

Orchestra members, plus presenters Beth Stewart and Nan Washburn, will appear at the Study Group's first meeting, 10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 744 N. Sheldon, south of M-14, in Plymouth.

The Study Group is welcoming new members; the cost is \$20 for the entire series of 10 fall meetings. Those interested are welcome to visit a meeting as they decide whether to join. Thursday meetings are 10 a.m. to noon; refreshments are served.

The Thursday, Sept. 17, speaker will be Olympic gold-medal swimmer Sheila Taormina. For more information about the group, call Connie Griffore at (248) 477-7049 or Karen Chapin at (734) 453-4765.

Air show

The Flying Pilgrims Radio Control Club hosts its "Fall Phase Out for Fun" air show to demonstrate the radio-controlled airplane hobby to the general public.

The event, which has become a popular annual happening, takes place 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 12-13 at the northwest corner of Geddes and Ridge roads. To get there, go north on Ridge to the "Flying Pilgrims Trail" sign.

Admission is \$5 vehicle parking donation requested. (Admits all occupants in vehicle.) The field is open to the public whenever members are flying. For more information, call (734) 207-3626.

Museum nets nearly \$47,000 on Web

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth Historical Museum received a welcome financial boost through last month's Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan online fund-raiser.

The Plymouth Historical Society, which supports the 26,000-square-foot museum on Main Street, took in nearly \$47,000 during the fund-raiser, according to preliminary figures. The Community Foundation

matched every \$2 donated with \$1 of its own during the Aug. 18 fund-raiser; the donation site was open through the end of the month for gifts that weren't matched.

"We had to cut back significantly on expenses in this year's budget" because of the economy, said Elizabeth Kerstens, the museum's executive director. "This is going to help us tremendously."

Kerstens said the money is slated for the museum's general operating expenses. The museum's budget for

its current fiscal year, which began June 1, is about \$148,000.

Although some Historical Museum donors would have contributed regardless of the Community Foundation effort, the foundation's matching funds Aug. 18 stretched proceeds by half again as much, Kerstens said.

In all, more than \$3 million was raised Aug. 18 for 75 participating arts and cultural organizations in the region, despite technical problems that caused delays. With Community

Foundation matching funds of almost \$1.6 million, the total came to nearly \$4.8 million, foundation spokeswoman Theresa Fraley said.

Donors were able to designate, through the Web site, which organizations they wanted to assist.

"We applaud the thousands of donors who contributed, and apologize to those who experienced delays," said Miriam Noland, Community Foundation president.

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Members of the Plymouth-Canton band helped district teachers and staffers get the school year started Tuesday.

Spirited start

Staffers rally as schools near opening

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Over the summer, Tonda Elementary School fourth-grade teacher Amy Caudill read a book titled, *Teach Like Your Hair's on Fire*, and found it inspirational.

When the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools hosted their annual "First Day" observance Tuesday at Compware Arena in Plymouth Township, Caudill put her renewed motivation on display, cheering the start of school complete with pompons and a refreshed attitude.

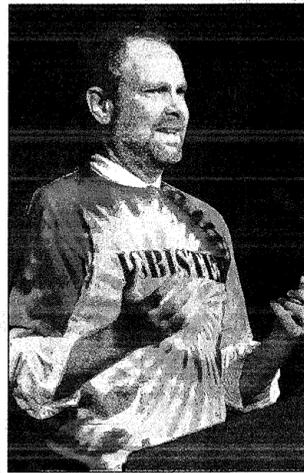
"To love what you do so much you could feel like your hair is actually on fire ..." she said. "I'm really excited about this year."

Caudill joined some 2,300 teachers, administrators, bus drivers, food service workers and staffers of every hue Tuesday for the annual start-of-school rite, heretofore held at the Gloria Logan Auditorium at Salem High School.

With such a large staff, though, administrators went looking for a place where everyone could get together at the same time. They put together a program that included presentations from corporate partners, the Plymouth Salvation Army and other featured speakers designed to start the school year off on a positive note.

"We've never been able to get all the teachers and staff together, so we needed a bigger venue," said George Belvitch, the district's director of elementary education, who put the program together. "I

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School board president Steven Sneiderman, sporting his Isbister Elementary T-shirt, speaks to the crowd.



Tonda Elementary mascot Cory Chambless and teacher Kathy Schwalm whoop it up at the Plymouth-Canton "First Day" rally Tuesday.

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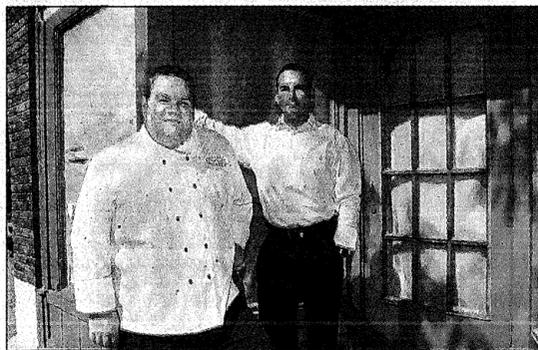
New eatery sets up at Cafe Bon Homme spot

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

It's been touch and go at 844 Penniman since the owners of the former Cafe Bon Homme, an institution in Plymouth for more than 20 years, announced in early 2007 they intended to sell the upscale restaurant.

But a new partnership's members are hoping things will be rock solid once they get their eatery up and running this fall.

The Rock Bar and Grill, which the owners hope to open by early October, recently won Plymouth City Commission approval for a license to



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Chief Jeff Jepko and Matt Hatz hope to have The Rock Bar and Grill open by early October.

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

Ladies night

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce in partnership with downtown retailers and eateries present Plymouth's annual Ladies Night Out 5-10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17. The evening is a night for ladies to enjoy an evening on the town with friends.

Visit the participating stores and enjoy shopping, gifts, samples, prizes and refreshments. Several restaurants will also have special drinks, appetizers and more.

Participating stores this year include B.E. Unique Co.; Bella Mia; Brass & Iron Bed Shop; The Candy Trail; Creatopia; Dearborn Jewelers; Delta Diamond; Gabriela's; GiGi's Mode; Glassworks; Hands on Leather; Home Sweet Home; Magnolia Fresh Flower Market; Merle Norman; Michigan Custom Boutique & Fine Yarn; Michigan Made & More; Penniman Gallery; RSVP; Sideways; TranquilTea and Vic's Mart; All Things Purses. Restaurants include 1999 Tavern; Cellar 849; Compari's/Fiamma Grille; Kilwin's Plymouth and Sean O'Callaghan's.

Back by popular demand, Mr. 48170 will again be handing out roses to the first 500 ladies, courtesy of Ribar Floral.

For more information, call the chamber, (734) 453-1540.

Community ed slots

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Community Education is now accepting registrations for Fall courses.

The program has almost 600 courses to choose from, with the most popular courses including the Youth Dance classes and the Youth Basketball League. Course catalogs were mailed to homes in Plymouth and Canton and can also be found online at www.pccs.k12.mi.us.

For more information, call (734) 416-2937.

Call for crafters

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

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

Hand-made and juried art



Sweet tooth

Owner Kurt Lienhard and staffer Elise Stabnick of Sweets 21, which recently celebrated its grand opening at 386 Main, next to Compari's/Fiamma. The store features Baklava, cakes, pastries, cookies and wedding cakes. Also on hand for the ribbon-cutting were members of the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors Committee and chamber staffers.

and crafts will be sold from 9 am until 4 p.m. on Saturday, October 17 at West Middle School. The Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Society sponsors this show and uses all of the proceeds to provide college scholarships for Plymouth Canton students.

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

A few good men

First Step is looking for a few good men to speak out as October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month approaches.

Men as allies of First Step and anti-violence supporters can attend a meeting at First Step's Plymouth office, 44567 Pinetree, 6-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 8.

For more information, call Ed or Judith at (734) 722-1772.

Game night

The Plymouth Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club hosts a game night Saturday, Sept. 26, at the Summit on the Park's Maple/Oak Room.

Registration starts at 7 p.m., with the games beginning at 7:30 p.m. The event will feature lots of prizes with a cash bar and food for purchase.

The Summit is located at 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton. Register to play by calling Debby at (734) 282-2340 or dtorzy@hotmail.com

Barn dance

The Salem Area Historical Society's annual "Barn Dance" takes place 7-10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, at Three Cedars Farm, 7897 Six Mile, west of Curtis.

Donations of \$5 per person or \$15 per family will be accepted at the door and will be used to maintain the Jarvis-Stone School and the Dickerson Barn. Members and non-members are welcome. The Picks 'N' Sticks and their Square Dance Caller will assist dancers with all levels of experience. Families and groups are encouraged to attend. Cider and donuts will be available for purchase.

Sponsors include Karl's Cabin Restaurant & Bar, Fox Hills Golf & Banquet Center, Wally and Marlene Donoghue, Marcia Van Fossen and Sherry and Gary Whittaker.

Perennial exchange

The Trailwood Garden Club, a branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association,

will sponsor a perennial exchange at the Plymouth Fall Festival on Saturday, Sept. 12 from 9-11 a.m.

It will be located at the east end of Kellogg Park at Union and Ann Arbor Trail. This is a free-bring something, take something event. Members will answer any inquiries about our club as well as general gardening questions.

For additional information call (734) 459-7146.

Grief workshop

Ward Presbyterian Church is sponsoring an eight-week grief workshop, From Grief to New Hope beginning Sept. 14. This free workshop is open to the community and will be presented by Cathy Clough, Director of New Hope Center for Grief Support.

Each session will begin with a presentation about one aspect of grief followed by small group participation led by trained facilitators. Attendees will be placed in groups with others who have had similar losses. The workshop will meet for eight consecutive Monday nights from 7-8:45 p.m. at Ward Church, located on 6 Mile and Haggerty in Northville.

For registration information call Barb at Ward Presbyterian Church at (248) 374-5943. For information about other age and loss specific grief support groups offered by New Hope Center for Grief Support call 248-348-0115 or visit our Web site, www.newhopecenter.net

Sweetest Day dance

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.

Scrapbooking fund-raiser

The Salvation Army of Plymouth and Creative Memories consultant Cassie Hull are teaming up to host an all-day Scrapbooking event to help raise funds for the Salvation Army's Coats for Kids program.

Those interested in scrapbooking can join us for the Sept. 26 event, called Croptoberfest, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. at a cost of \$35, which includes 12 hours of scrapbooking, meals, and a goodie bag. There is also a half-day option of six hours for \$20.

For more information, or to register, contact Cassie at the Salvation Army at (734) 453-5464, or by e-mail at cassiekh@gmail.com. Those unable to attend can still help the Coats for Kids program by donating \$15 to help purchase a coat for a child in need. The Salvation Army is located at 9451 S. Main Street in Plymouth.

Senior Fest picnic

The annual Senior Fest Picnic will once again be held at Waterford Bend Park on Wednesday, Sept. 9 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at the PCCA Office, 201 Main Street, ticket prices are \$7 for PCCA Members and \$9 for guests. Lots of prizes, raffles, chicken lunch and entertainment.

Tables are \$50. Interested vendors should call Bobbie at (734) 453-1234, Ext. 236.

Greece festival

The fifth annual "Taste of Greece Festival" on its way to the Nativity of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church.

The festival takes place Sept. 11-13 on the grounds of the church, located at 39851 W. Five Mile Road in Plymouth. The festival will once again awaken the senses of sight, sound and taste of Greece, with exhibits of traditional Greek music, dancing, food and culture for all of Southeast Michigan to experience and enjoy.

This year's event features the Greek comedian Basile, in his first visit to Michigan in 2009.

For more information, e-mail secretarym@sbglobal.net or call (734) 420-0131.

CORRECTION

A story on new Plymouth Lions Club president Sharon Jordan-Crowley in the Aug. 30 Plymouth Observer should have said the charter member who invited Crowley to join was Bill Fehlig. Also, the club's motto is "We Serve."

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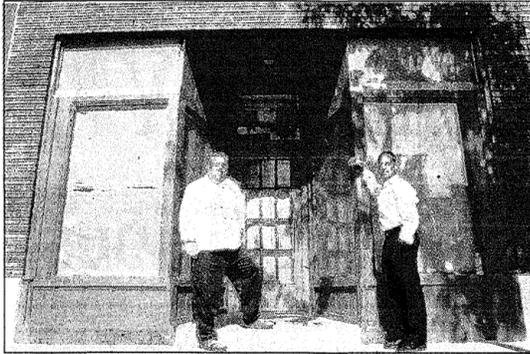
Two of the partners, Kevin Montagano and Jeff Jepko, the chef and general manager, say they intend the Rock to be a comfortable neighborhood place and a good fit for downtown Plymouth. They say they plan to emphasize food over alcohol.

"For me, the restaurant and the food served is the most important aspect," said Jepko, who has decades of experience in local restaurants, including 20 years as chef and part owner at Little Italy in Northville. "The bar is secondary."

Jepko, who has been doing catering and spending time with his family since he left Little Italy last year, said downtown Plymouth is a good place to concentrate his efforts at one restaurant, rather than be involved in several at a time, as he had been earlier in his career.

"I just think it's going to be a great opportunity. It's going to be a great addition to downtown," Jepko said. A Waterford resident, Jepko said he likes downtown Plymouth's bustling streets, friendly people and "great vibe."

Montagano, who has diverse business interests but no other restaurants, said he envisions the Rock as a comfortable place for families, for weekday busi-



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Chef Jeff Jepko and Matt Hatz will soon open a new restaurant on Penniman Avenue, in the spot formerly occupied by Cafe Bon Homme.

ness luncheons or for just hanging out.

Jepko said the Rock's menu will include staples like soups, salads, pastas and burgers, made from scratch. Offering a variety of food styles and home-made, rather than precooked, fare, makes for good value in recessionary times, Jepko said.

"With the way the economy has gone, we need to open a place that is much more value-driven," he said. "Nobody's spending money like they used to."

Jepko said he will use local ingredients, such as produce, when possible. "When great Michigan produce is in the market, I don't think there's any better," he said.

The Rock will have separate bar and restaurant areas, with table seating in the bar, and television sets in the bar for cable news and sports fans.

Patio seating — in the back, on restaurant property, not the sidewalk — is also planned.

The new restaurant's name, Rock Bar and Grill, poses a conflict with Boulders, on Ann Arbor Road and Harvey, where the new owners want to rename it Plymouth Rock Bar and Grill. On Wednesday, Montagano said he had registered both names with the state.

Cafe Bon Homme's would-be successors haven't been able to make a go of it so far. One deal to sell the restaurant fell through at the 11th hour, and a Mexican restaurant, Mariachi Dos, closed its doors last October after just five months amid reports of liquor violations and bounced employee paychecks.

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Secretary of State moves to Lilley site

BY DARRELL CLEM
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Canton will be home to one of the largest Secretary of State offices in Michigan as early as October, officials said Tuesday.

The new, 6,000-square-foot West Wayne County PLUS office will be housed in the Golden Gate Shopping Center on Lilley south of Joy.

It will replace a smaller facility set to close a little more than three miles away in another shopping center, Canton Landing, on Ford just west of Sheldon.

"It will help us better serve our customers," Secretary of State spokeswoman Kelly Chesney said Tuesday from Lansing.

Laura Calukyan, a representative for Golden Gate Shopping Center LLC, said the company has been told the office will be one of the largest in Michigan with an estimated 800 to 900 customers a day.

"It's going to have a lot of high traffic," Calukyan said.

On Tuesday evening, workers could be seen remodeling the new facility on the township's north side, in hopes it will be ready for an October opening.

"I feel great about it," Golden Gate Shopping

Center owner Nick Tufenkjian said. "In this economy, I feel very good about it."

A temporary sign advertising the new facility already was hanging on the front of the building.

Bill Miller, a 72-year-old Canton resident, said as he walked across the shopping center parking lot that he lives a similar distance between the current and upcoming PLUS offices. He said he didn't have a preference for the location, as long as state officials keep it in Canton.

"I'm glad for that because I find it very convenient," Miller said.

According to a state Web site, PLUS offices offer services such as expanded Wednesday hours 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., optional self-service stations that allow customers to renew vehicle tabs without waiting at the counter, and more payment options.

Chesney said the new office will serve the same area but provide a better environment due to the larger facility. She said there are no plans to pull out of Canton.

"What we will be doing is relocating in Canton," she said. "We'll still be serving the Canton area, just at a new location."

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thought it went well. We had a good turnout, and people seem excited to get started."

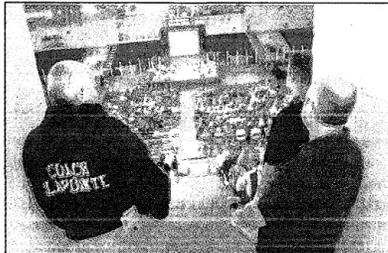
Among the presentations was a \$5,000 check from Sam's Club, the product of a grant the district obtained from the retailer. The grant will be used to purchase an online Encyclopedia Britannica.

What made it more interesting was the presenter: Plymouth-Canton product Paul Barraco, Sam's Club's director of human resources.

"I can't tell you how much I value you as the father of a 9-year-old who starts school next week," Barraco, a lifelong Plymouth resident, told teachers.

Among the attractions were cheerleaders, choir members and the band, students teachers normally don't see until the first day.

"To see the students right away like this ... I think it's a great alternative to get the staff fired



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Mark LaPointe, Mike Bondy and Terry Sawchuck listen to speakers at Plymouth-Canton's "First Day" rally Tuesday at Compuware Arena in Plymouth Township.

up," said choir director Jennifer Kopp, in her 10th year. "The staff, just like the students, need to be reminded why we do what we do. Seeing the students here is a great way to do that."

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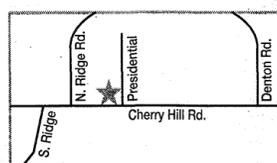
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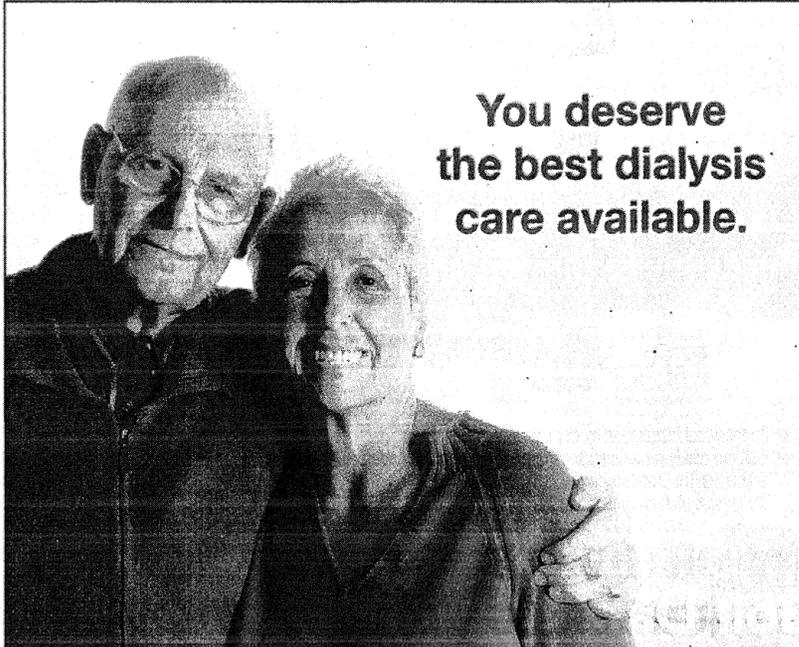
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September is National Preparedness Month and the perfect time to get involved in making your communities and our nation safer, stronger, and better prepared.

While you may think you have everything you need in the event of an emergency on hand, or could wing it on the fly, you might not be as prepared as you think you. You are your family's first responder, so you need to proactively prepare for emergencies. Local, state and national authorities are going to help, but they may not be able to get to you right away.

National Preparedness Month is a great time to get your family ready. Preparedness goes beyond fire alarms, smoke detectors, dead-bolt locks and extra food in the pantry. The Ready Campaign has made it easy with four simple steps: get an Emergency Supply Kit; make a Family Emergency Plan; be informed about emergencies and their appropriate responses; and get involved in community efforts.

To help get your fam-

ily started, Ready Kids is a family-friendly tool to help parents and teachers educate children, ages 8-12, about emergencies and how they can help families better prepare. The Ready Kids web site at www.ready.gov features fun activities such as a scavenger hunt, Pack It Up matching game, crossword puzzles and coloring pages, as well as age-appropriate, step-by-step instructions on what families can do to better prepare for emergencies and the role kids can play in that effort.

The Ready Campaign consulted with a number of organizations experienced in education and children's health to develop Ready Kids, and their expertise helped present the emergency preparedness information included in the Ready Kids program in a way that is understandable and appropriate for children.

It's important to address this topic and explain to your children that families can prepare for emergencies before they take place and that they can help, too. By doing so, you can alleviate anxiety if an emergency does occur and help to nurture a more prepared society for generations to come. Visit www.ready.gov/kids today and get ready.

- Courtesy Canton Public Safety

Police probe 'suspicious' city fire

Police and fire officials continue to investigate an Aug. 21 fire that damaged a house on Beech near Evergreen in the city of Plymouth.

Plymouth Lt. Allen Cox called the fire "suspicious" but said he could not release information on its point of origin or how it is believed to have started.

Firefighters from Canton and Northville townships assisted Plymouth Community Fire Department firefighters with the blaze, on the afternoon of Aug. 21, as PCFD firefighters also handled multiple runs. There were no injuries.

Fire Chief Mark Wendel said the house sustained smoke and flame damage, with the heaviest damage to a bedroom at the back of the house. He said firefighters found four potential points of origin.

Sticky fingers

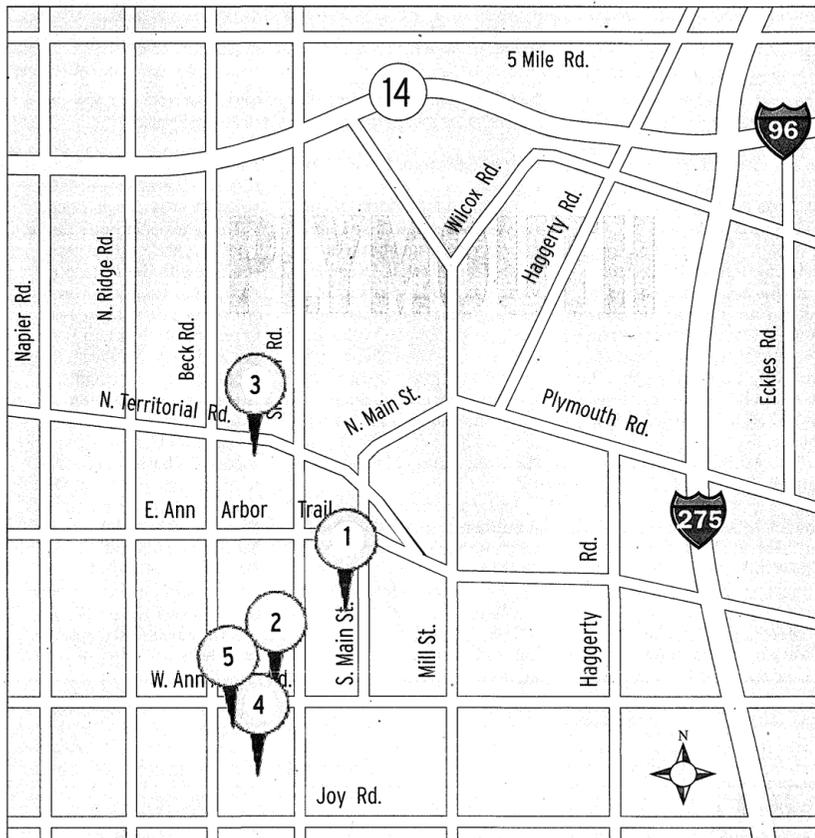
Twenty-one boxes of chewing gum — containing 244 packs of assorted varieties — with a retail value of \$339 were reported stolen Aug. 28 from a Speedway gas station on Sheldon Road. The theft occurred between 9 p.m. Aug. 27 and 6:30 a.m. the next day.

A police report said a security video shows two different men standing by the gum display, at different times, during the period the theft occurred. One appeared to have an accomplice who was distracting the attendant near a Lottery machine, police said.

Pickups targeted

Two pickup trucks parked outside a house on Dunn Court in Plymouth Township were vandalized late on Aug. 27 or early the next day.

All four tires on one pickup, a 2001 Dodge Ram, were flattened, according to a Plymouth



CRIME WATCH

Township Police Department report, and the windshield was smashed. On the second pickup, a 1984 Chevrolet, the windshield had also been smashed, police said.

Wheels stolen

The passenger-side tires and trims were reported stolen Aug. 27 from a 2006 Cadillac STS as it sat in the driveway of a house on Mayflower in the township. The tires on the driver's side, police said, had been punctured.

In addition, three of the car's doors, one fender and the hood had been scratched, police said. The incident occurred between 9:30 p.m. Aug. 26 and 7 a.m. the next day.

License-plate theft

A man reported that the license plate was taken from his 2000 Ford Explorer on Aug. 26 as it was parked outside the Honey Tree Restaurant on Ann Arbor Road at Marlowe.

By Matt Jachman

FIRE RUNS

The Plymouth Community Fire Department responded to the following runs during the period Aug. 26 to Sept. 1:

- Tuesday, Sept. 1 - Vehicle accident on Main; residential rescue runs on Ross and on Union; rescue run on Lorenz Way; commercial runs on Ann Arbor Road.
- Monday, Aug. 31 - Residential rescue runs on Northville Road, on Inbrook, on B Drive and on

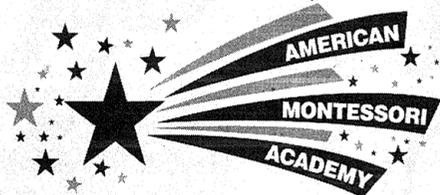
Brewster Court; special run at M-14 and Sheldon.

- Sunday, Aug. 30 - Rescue run on N. Territorial west of Haverhill; residential rescue runs on Beaver Creek, on Brookside, on John Alden, on Wilson and on Haggerty; investigations on Ann Arbor Road and at Wing and Jener; special run at Beck and Ann Arbor Road.

- Saturday, Aug. 29 - Residential rescue runs on Clare, on Northville, on Hamilton and on Northville Road; special run on Cherry.

- Friday, Aug. 28 - Downed wires on Main; residential rescue runs on Mill, on Sheridan, on Newport and on Eastside; rescue run to a public building on Haggerty; Vehicle accident on Levan south of 5 Mile.

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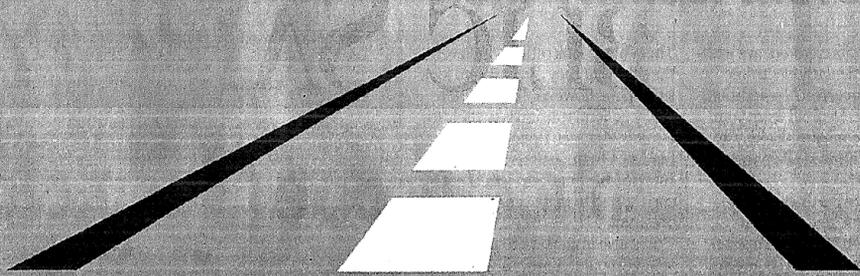
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Take steps to prevent identity theft

Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke had his identity stolen. He is just one of millions of Americans who, every year, finds that someone has stolen his/her identity.

Identity theft is one of the fastest growing crimes in America and it affects every segment of our society from rich to poor, old to young. No one is immune.

In Bernanke's situation, it appears that his wife's purse was stolen and that led to the identity theft. However, in today's world, it doesn't have to be an event that leads to an identity theft.



Money Matters

Rick Bloom

In fact, a person who has had his/her identity stolen cannot point to a so-called event. After all, in our technology-driven world, there are many ways to steal our identity.

I wish that there was a sure way to prevent identity theft but there is not. Nevertheless, there are steps to take that may reduce the chances of your identity being stolen and reduce the effects if your identity is stolen.

One way to reduce the risk of identity theft is to stay up to date with personal financial information. I always tell investors that whenever they receive a financial statement, whether it is from an investment, a bank or a charge card company, review it for accuracy — are transactions appropri-

ate, are deposits credited, are withdrawals, particularly electronic withdrawals, correct? In addition, when you receive a bill from your charge card company make sure you have authorized all charges on the statement.

When there is a discrepancy on a statement, many people assume that the financial institution is correct. In fact, the general assumption should be if there is a discrepancy the financial institution is wrong.

If there are any discrepancies, immediately contact the company issuing the statement. If the discrepancy is not immediately resolved, take the next step which means put it in writing and direct it to the appropriate parties.

One area most vulnerable to identity theft is credit cards. Ever since charge cards were invented there has been credit card fraud.

I remember the old days when the standard advice was to get copies of your carbon and to tear them up. Obviously, we've come a long way since then. The crooks have gotten more sophisticated and so must consumers.

The first thing everyone should be aware of when it comes to charge cards is be cautious as to who you give your charge card information. Just because someone sends you an e-mail asking for charge card information doesn't mean you should provide it.

Many scammers will send you an e-mail claiming that they are either the IRS or your bank or a service like PayPal and that they are seeking financial information.

The e-mails look official and even the sites that they direct you to look legitimate, however, they are not.

My general rule is never reply to e-mails that seek financial information. Organizations like the Internal Revenue Service do not correspond to taxpayers by means of e-mail.

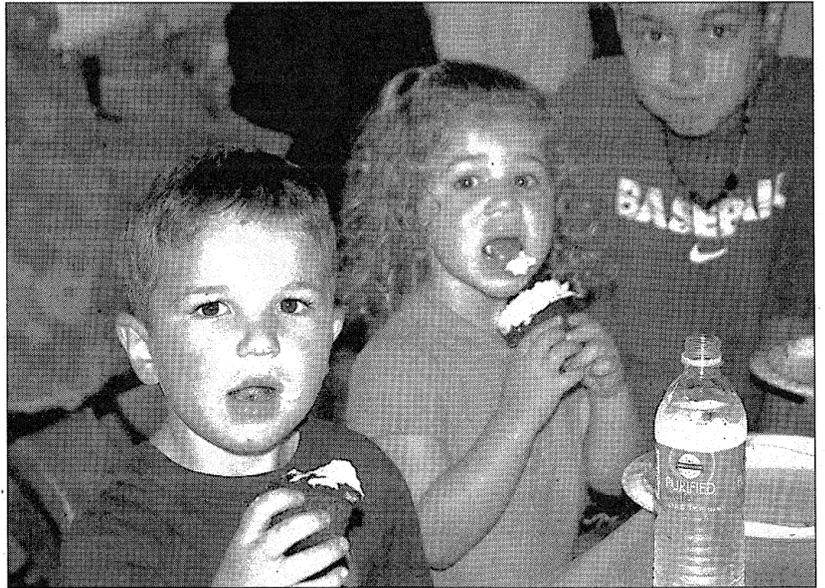
It is also important to protect your computer. Firewall, anti-virus software and anti-spyware software is needed to protect others from gaining access to your computer. It is not sufficient to have these items — they must be up to date.

Bernanke is just the latest in a long list of well-known individuals who have had their identity stolen. Obviously, when someone famous has their identity stolen it is newsworthy. However, when million of Americans have their identity stolen every year it barely makes the news. Identity theft is one of the fastest growing crimes in America and law enforcement does not have the resources to prevent the crime.

While banks and other financial institutions have implemented safeguards making stealing someone's identify more difficult, consumers are in the best position to protect themselves.

Learn from the Bernanke situation. Be vigilant when it comes to protecting your financial information.

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



PHOTOS BY ROB COONEY

Reece and Grace Cooney enjoyed the frosting on their cupcakes during the annual Plymouth Lions picnic. That's Alexander Barker behind them.

Picnic helps Lions celebrate success

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth Lions celebrated what club officials deemed another year of fund-raising success that benefited a number of area charities by gathering family and friends for a picnic at Plymouth Township Park late last month.

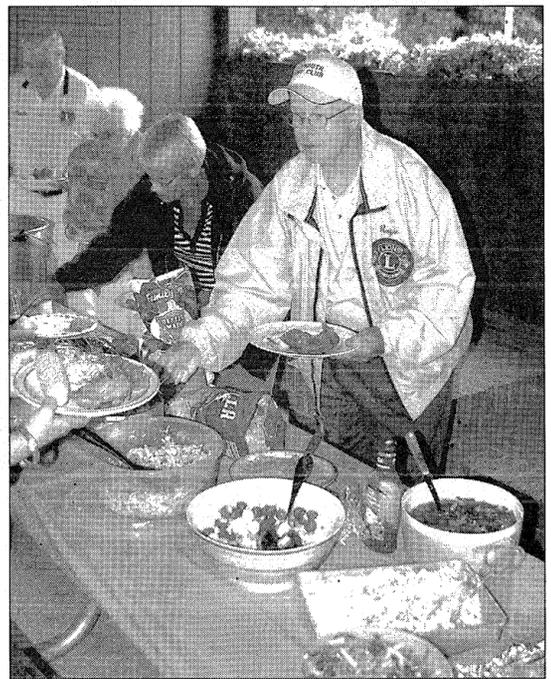
The picnic has become a Lions tradition where children and grandchildren play games and adults share good will.

The picnic helps cap efforts the Plymouth Lions, whose motto is "We Serve," make for charitable causes every year. In addition to its work getting eyeglasses to the needy, the club supports causes such as the Plymouth Historical Museum, Leader Dogs for the Blind and the marching band. Members also ring bells for the Plymouth Salvation Army's annual Red Kettle fund-raiser.

The Lions Club also funds four scholarships each year to the tune of \$1,500 apiece.

"What a nice investment in the community," Jordan-Crowley said. "People come to us with their need and ask if we can help. If we can, we do."

One of the largest beneficiaries of the club's work is the Penrickton Center for Blind Children in Taylor. The center provides five-day residential, day care and con-



Lion Roger Vaughn enjoys the food brought to the picnic by Lions members and their families.

sultation/evaluation services to blind, multi-disabled children.

"It's a fabulous center ... they do so many things," Jordan-Crowley said. "If you've never seen a child who's blind and

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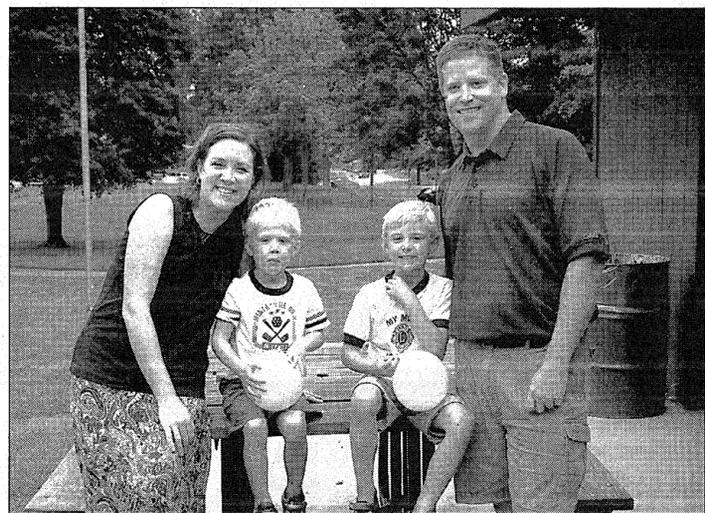
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Lion Karissa Jagacki was joined by husband, Jeff, and their children, Adam and Grant at the recent Lions picnic in Plymouth Township Park.

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Symphony season honors Lincoln, visits Hollywood (and Bollywood)

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Classical music fans can salute Abraham Lincoln, take a musical trip to India and kick back in blue jeans and Beethoven (really!) during the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra's upcoming season.

The orchestra's 64th season — six regular concerts and four special events — begins 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, with "Beethoven & Blue Jeans" at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton Township.

Ludwig von Beethoven's "Prometheus Overture" and "Symphony No. 2" will book-end the concert; the middle of the program will feature "blue jeans" pieces inspired by the American West, from composers Aaron Copland, Elmer Bernstein and others. Composer Gwyneth Walker will be the special guest.

Beth Stewart, executive director of the Plymouth Canton Symphony Society, said most symphony concerts offer preshow events that give audiences the chance to meet the conductor, Nan Washburn, and special guests. Washburn and guests talk about the music and take questions from the audience, Stewart said, adding



Conductor Nan Washburn and the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra will pay tribute to Hollywood and Abraham Lincoln during the upcoming concert season.

context to the concerts.

"It's so much more meaningful when you hear the piece of music," Washburn said. "Our audiences have really become appreciative of having the opportunity to do that."

The special guest for the 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, concert, "Chasing Lincoln," also at the Village Theater, will be composer Joseph Schwantner; the orchestra will perform Schwantner's "Chasing Light,"

which was commissioned to be performed around the country this year, the bicentennial of Lincoln's birth. Donations from the PCSS and a local symphony in each of the other 49 states, plus a matching gift from the Ford Motor Co. Fund, paid for the commission.

The Lincoln concert will also feature Copland's "Lincoln Portrait," narrated by Narendra Sheth, an immigrant from India who hosts a weekly

local radio show. Stewart said Sheth's narration is fitting. "Lincoln's words were really words that could speak for all people in all times," she said.

The connection to India will be renewed with the orchestra's closing special event, the Saturday, June 5, Fusion Festival (time to be announced), also at the Village Theater. Orchestra members will join dancers and musicians steeped in the musical traditions of India for a musical tribute to Bollywood, the informal name for the film industry in Mumbai, India's movie capital.

"Bollywood has really come to the forefront in American culture" with the popularity of the movie *Slumdog Millionaire*, Stewart said.

Other special events this season are discounted Detroit Symphony Orchestra tickets (and a chance to meet conductor Leonard Slatkin) for

8:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6; the "Bucks for Bach" orchestra fund-raiser at the Lotus Arts Gallery in downtown Plymouth, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13; and an evening of classical movie music, 8 p.m. Friday, April 16, in "Hooray for Hollywood," the orchestra's annual fund-raiser at the Penn Theatre.

Other concerts in the regular season are:

■ "Serenade at St. John's," 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, in the chapel at The Inn at St. John's. Featuring Dvorak's "Serenade for Strings" and pieces by Handel, Grimani and others.

■ "Home for the Holidays," Thursday, Dec. 17, at the Penn Theatre. Two performances, 6 p.m. and 8 p.m., of a holiday pops concert. Canton Celebration Youth Orchestra members will appear.

■ "Brahms Sunday Serenade," 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 24, at First United Methodist

Church in Plymouth. With special guest, harpist Maurice Draughn, and music by Brahms, Poulenc and Ravel.

■ "Tchaikovsky Spectacular!" 8 p.m. Saturday, March 13, at the Village Theater. With special guest, composer Kristin Kuster, whose "Iron Diamond," based on the trains that run through Plymouth, will be performed. Celebration Youth Orchestra members will appear.

Tickets for regular Plymouth Symphony Orchestra concerts are \$25 each, \$20 for senior citizens and \$10 for students. Season ticket packages are available. For more information, visit its Web site, www.plymouthsymphony.org, or call its new offices on Sheldon Road at (734) 451-2112. Office hours are 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday.

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Salon marks anniversary with discounts, help for kids

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A Plymouth Township hair salon is marking its ninth anniversary by giving back to its customers — and the community.

Jolees Hair Salon, 40400 Five Mile, is offering customers \$5 off haircuts, adult or child, plus a gift to each haircut customer. Salon owner Susie Ftouni is calling the offer an

anniversary celebration and a back-to-school special.

Jolees is also donating part of its proceeds from those days to the Michigan-based Wigs4Kids, which provides children who are suffering from hair loss with custom-fitted wigs. The organization aims to help the children feel better about their appearance.

Ftouni said she sponsored one child for a wig through Wigs4Kids beginning last year

and wants to sponsor another.

"I'm a real giver when it comes to kids who have special needs or medical conditions," Ftouni said. "I'm always there for the kids."

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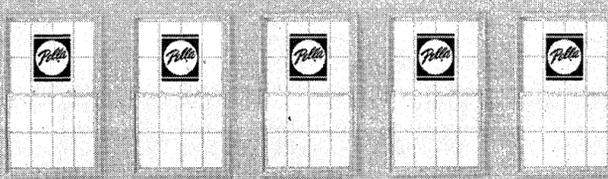
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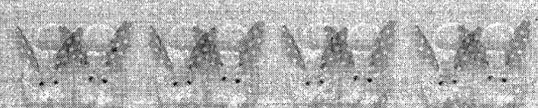
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OUR VIEWS

City right to take time in chief search

When Plymouth Police Chief Wayne Carroll retires Oct. 30, Lt. Al Cox shifts to the big chair to head the department on an interim basis.

Cox, who's been with the department since 1998 and currently serves as its chief detective, is a no-brainer choice to fill Carroll's shoes in the short term. But it won't surprise us, after the city commission does its due diligence and looks for Carroll's permanent replacement, to see Cox still sitting in the chair for years.

But first, city officials will take a look to see who else is available, keeping in mind the kind of department they want to have and the sort of people they want to serve in it.

City Manager Paul Sincock said, "We're not in any rush," and they shouldn't be.

Not only are city officials now looking for a new police chief, they're also scouting ways to save money both in police and fire services. Regionalization is a concept in which commissioners have been interested, and they are reportedly still looking for ways to do it.

Police service is unlikely to change. Plymouth has a distinct, hometown identity, and many locals believe their own police department — and the community policing style it incorporates — fits in well with that.

It's a political hot button, and commissioners — particularly those seeking re-election — might not want to test voters' resolve on it.

While city officials study it, Cox will be getting on-the-job chief training. If he fits the community and the community fits him — and there's no reason to believe it won't — he'll have the inside track on the permanent gig.

Parents: Resolve to get involved

We're all so used to celebrating the New Year in January, but when you think about it, every calendar year has two of them. What's the second one? The first day of the NEW school year.

Next week students and teachers, not to mention the support staffs, will be headed back to school in the Plymouth-Canton and other school districts. For first-time kindergartners, it will be an exciting day. For seniors in high school, it'll be the start of the countdown to graduation. In between, it will mean hard work to advance to the next grade.

Getting kids ready to go back to school is more than a trip to the store to buy new clothes and school supplies. It means coming up with a game plan to help students succeed. One way to do that is through parental involvement. Parents can't sit back and let the teacher do it all. They have to take an active role in their children's education. They need to become a partner with their child's teacher or teachers to foster learning and achievement.

Why? According to a Michigan Department of Education report, the more parents participate in schooling, in a sustained way and at every level — from in advocacy and decision making and oversight roles to fund-raisers and boosters, as volunteers and para-professionals, and as home teachers — the better for student achievement.

The pressure is on for students to succeed. From No Child Left Behind to the state's new high school curriculum, the message is quite clear. There is no room for failure, all children must succeed so they can be productive members of our society.

Like the Jan. 1 New Year's Day, we urge parents to make a resolution for the September New Year's Day to get involved in their child's education. Get active in your school PTA, go in and talk with your child's teachers. Go to the open houses and parent-teacher conferences. Work with your kids at home.

We all want our kids to do well in life, so take the time to give them a good start. The investment we make today will foster our children's success in the future.

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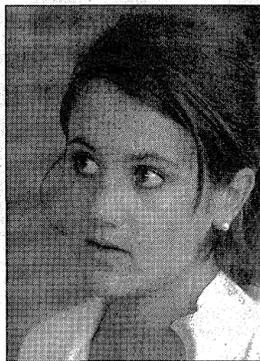
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— Pat Thomas
Ann Arbor



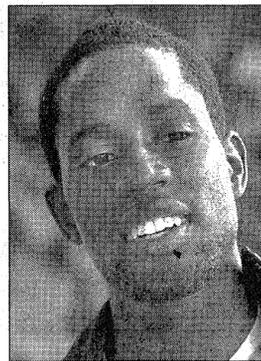
"The Second Assistant" (by Clare Naylor and Mimi Hare). The characters, the setting (Hollywood). ... So different than Michigan."

— Kristina Dyas
Plymouth Township



"Anything by Robertson Davies. I especially liked 'What's Bred in the Bone.' The story was wonderful, it was thought-provoking, it was humorous."

— Mary Williams
Chelsea



"The Great Divorce" by C.S. Lewis. A summer reading assignment. It's about the struggle between heaven and hell ... I'm into that kind of stuff."

— Temi Olojo
Westland

LETTERS

Shared effort

While it is encouraging that Senate and House committees are beginning to seriously consider health care reform legislation, it is critical that the U.S. Congress takes action and passes real health care reform in the next few months.

America is facing a health care crisis caused by a combination of skyrocketing costs and an insurance system that leaves 47 million of us without any coverage. The current health care system is endangering both our economy and our health, and voters have made it clear that they want change. According to a study reported in The New England Journal of Medicine, 70 percent of Americans surveyed believe the health care system needs major changes, if not a complete overhaul.

Health care reform legislation must guarantee quality, affordable health care to all U.S. residents. It is universal coverage that will determine the humanity of our system, and all Americans must have health care coverage, including the choice of a quality, affordable public insurance plan. In addition, it is essential that comparative data on treatments, benefits packages and medical outcomes be made publicly available so that individuals can make informed health decisions.

Congress needs to take additional strong action to reduce the costs of health care for individuals, businesses and communities. As a nation, we are spending \$1 out of every \$6 we earn on health care. Legislation must provide effective cost controls, equitable distribution of services and allow for efficient and economical delivery of care. Offering everyone a government administered health insurance plan like Medicare that would compete with private health insurance plans will be key.

Achieving this kind of comprehensive, system-wide reform will take a shared effort by citizens and Congress. Senators Levin and Stabenow and Representative McCotter, need to support real health care reform.

Paula Bowman,
Plymouth

president, League of Women Voters-NW Wayne County

Long overdue

President Obama's plan to provide universal health care to all Americans is long overdue.

Like President Clinton before him, his efforts are being opposed by a very powerful and rich health care industry that wants to maintain the status quo and their enormous profits.

Sadly, my Congressman, Thaddeus McCotter, has taken sides with the insurance companies rather than the millions of Americans who are without health care insurance or those who are struggling to pay the ever higher premiums. But then McCotter has a high quality health insurance plan for him and his family courtesy of the taxpayers, so why should he be concerned about those non government workers who do not have this benefit?

If McCotter and other conservatives were truly opposed to socialism, they would work to eliminate Medicaid, Medicare and

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Social Security. If not, then they are hypocrites and do accept socialistic policies in this country.

The best solution for the health care crisis is the simplest one: Get rid of the over 65 requirement for Medicare and provide all Americans health insurance through it. Then we will have universal coverage, costs will come down and we will no longer be burdening employers with the high costs of providing their employees with health insurance. Simple.

Thaddeus J. Hejka
Canton

Postal reform

The original concept of the Post Office was to provide a secure way to send commercial documents throughout the states and the world.

This has not changed; methods of correspondence have. The telephone made communication faster and more convenient for one generation, the Internet for the current generation.

The postal service has lost its focus and needs to adjust. Business delivery and rural delivery are still needed six days a week. IF the postal service only delivered ALL mail to urban and suburban residences on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, that would be sufficient for the volume of letters and advertising now using the mail stream (advertisers could orient sales brochures knowing the residents might actually read them on a Saturday when many are not at work).

With computers this could easily be facilitated. Higher-costing Express and Priority mail would be delivered to residential addresses (along with all other mail for that address) en route with delivery of business mail.

This would give regular employees a five-day work week (with weekends off) and part-time employees would be used for Saturday delivery, vacations, and the additional work force for Tuesday and Thursday residential needs.

Reduced gas, vehicle miles and hours in suburban and urban would provide substantial savings over current costs. This would be a "modified" six-day delivery, which is a "twist" on current postal thinking. The feasibility of every delivery, every day, is no longer logical.

John Chew
Canton

Bless you, Ted Kennedy

When I heard that Sen. Edward "Teddy" Kennedy passed away, I was deeply saddened. I know we knew it was coming, but to me it meant something special. When I was 16, I hitchhiked to downtown Detroit to all places Kennedy Square to try and see someone I truly admired, Sen. Ted Kennedy.

I got about 10 feet from the stage and stared and listened in total amazement that I was actually that close to a Kennedy. I still have the picture I took that day. When I was in school, almost every report I ever wrote was about the Kennedys. I was fascinated by them.

I remember what I was doing when President Kennedy was assassinated. It was not quite two weeks before my eighth birthday. I remember all the people in tears. I was living in Bell Gardens, Calif.

We moved back to Westland in 1965. I met a couple on our street Barrington who were working with Robert Kennedy's election for President. I can't remember their names, but they were telling me that after he left California, he was going to Chicago, then to Detroit. They promised they were going to do everything possible for me to meet him. I was probably the happiest kid in Westland. It was months before my 13th birthday.

I can tell you exactly what I was doing that morning. I was getting ready for school and a very good friend of the family that knew I was going to meet him called and said turn on the TV. Sen. Kennedy had been shot. As a 12-year-old who idolized the Kennedy family, I was devastated. I never got over it. It was something in my life I never will forget.

When the Democratic convention was on and they nominated President Obama, I was so moved that Sen. Kennedy came from Massachusetts and delivered that speech to the American people. I was so moved. I was fortunate to know someone that was there, and when all the people held up the Kennedy signs, I wanted one so bad. Again seeing him get up out of his bed and doing what he did, I was amazed.

My friend brought me one of those signs. I have it framed and hanging. Two things I have that I will cherish forever: I took a picture of Sen. Kennedy that day at Kennedy Square, and when I met him in Washington, I still have the signed picture he gave me. It is also framed.

My thoughts go out to all the people who admired this man, who really did work for the people. The Kennedy legacy will live forever. Joe, John, Robert and Ted will live on forever.

Now he joins his brothers in Arlington, together forever. I can't wait to get there and see all of them together again, and I will.

Thank you, Sen. Kennedy, for all you did. Thank you for the picture, and thank you for spending the last years of your life trying to get a health program for the American people. God bless you. You will be missed.

Bud Somerville
Westland

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Harvest Moon Dance



Downtown Farmington's Harvest Moon Dance offers food, entertainment and more.

Fashion show

See fashions, have lunch and help the Longacre house in Farmington Hills at the same time on Oct. 1 at Glen Oaks Country Club, 30500 W. 13 Mile in Farmington Hills.

The 40th Annual Fall Fashion Show to benefit the Longacre House starts with a fashion boutique at 10:30 a.m. with the luncheon and fashion show beginning at noon.

Women's fashions will be provided by Chico's at Laurel Park and children's fashions will be provided by Gap at Orchard Place.

Proceeds from the annual Fashion Show will go toward restoration and upkeep of the historic home, which the city of Farmington Hills acquired in 2006. The city has made extensive improvements including landscaping and interior upgrades and renovations to the house, which was built in 1869.

The elegant and charming 20-room Georgian-style mansion has become a desirable venue for weddings, showers, and special events. The Longacre House also hosts popular programs such as

Victorian teas, cooking shows, and music lessons.

Tickets to the 40th Annual Fall Fashion Show to Benefit the Longacre House are \$35. Charge tickets by calling (248) 477-8404 or mail checks made out to "Friends of the Parks" to The Longacre House, 24705 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48336.

The Fashion Show is sponsored by Friends of the Parks, a non-profit community service organization that sponsors projects that promote and enhance the City of Farmington Hills parks system. To view a slide show or virtual "mini-tour" of the Longacre House, go to www.longacrehouse.org.

Dessert time

Longtime Detroit-area favorite, Sanders, reopened the doors of their new flagship store recently at Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi.

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Twelve Oaks is at I-96 and Novi Road.

Stuff a truck

Donate to Goodwill Industries of Greater Detroit on Wednesday, Sept. 16 at Parisian in Laurel Park Place, Livonia, and you'll get a coupon worth 20 percent off apparel and 15 percent off cosmetics at the store.

Goodwill will accept monetary donations and clean, gently used clothing and textiles to help "stuff a truck" from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

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training programs and career services helping residents secure jobs by overcoming barriers to employment. Goodwill Industries is the only organization solely dedicated to fighting unemployment in Metro Detroit.

From Sept. 16 until the end of the campaign on Sept. 29, shoppers will receive two discount coupons when dropping off a completed Goodwill Pay It 4ward envelope containing \$25 or more at a participating location. Pay It 4ward centers around envelopes to be filled with dollar bills, passed from person to person, until they reach 25 people. More information on the campaign can be found at <http://www.payit4ward-detroit.org>. New envelopes will be available for pick-up at each store.

Parisian at Laurel Park is located at 17625 Newburgh Road, Livonia.

Trunk show

Pendleton in downtown

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Harvest Moon

Tickets go on sale Saturday, Sept. 5 for downtown Farmington's Harvest Moon Dance on Oct. 2.

The event, held at Sundquist Pavilion features live music, hand crafted beers, fall cuisine from downtown restaurants and commissioned art pieces.

Tickets are \$6 in advance and \$8 at the door. For a list of

advance ticket sales locations, visit www.DowntownFarmington.org. The dance is designed for age 21 and older.

Garden tips

Nancy Szerlag, master gardener and author of *Perennials for Michigan* and *Annuals for Michigan* will be share tips on fall lawn and garden care in a presentation called "Put the Garden to Bed" 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 15 at Art Van Furniture, 29905 W. 7 Mile, Livonia. Refreshments will be served. Call for reservations at (888) 619-2199.

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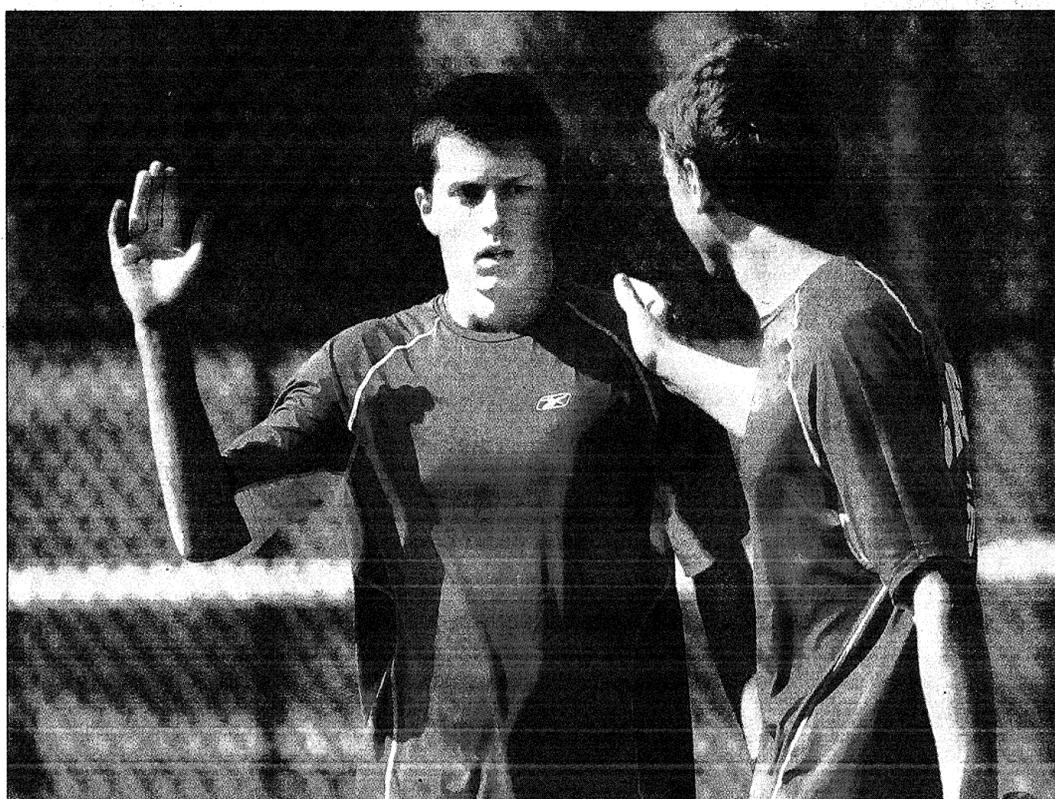


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2009 BOYS TENNIS PREVIEW



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Salem's No. 1 doubles tandem of Josh Perrin and Brock Foster earned their team's only flight victory against state powerhouse Northville in the Rocks' season opener.

Cats eager to pounce

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER



Pat Bailey
Plymouth

singles) "played a lot of tournaments in the off-season and he's hitting the ball extremely hard and extremely accurately," the coach said.

Life is good for any coach when players come out in droves, all in top shape and totally committed to competing at the highest possible level.

That might be how Plymouth Wildcats' varsity boys tennis coach Tom Kimball is feeling on the eve of the 2009 season, which actually began with a 9-0 rout of visiting Livonia Churchill Tuesday at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

Kimball said many of his top returnees who helped last year's team finish with a 9-2 record almost went over-the-top — with workouts, training and tournament play — to sharpen up for the grind of the Kensington Lakes Activities Association.

"We lost a couple varsity doubles players," Kimball said. "But we return our core singles and have some strength and have some players that have played a lot of indoor and tournament tennis in the off-season."

Thursday's 4 p.m. matchup with district rival Canton should provide Kimball with more insight into the overall potential of his team.

No. 2 singles player Matt Dwan, a junior, also worked hard with instructors and put in tournament time. "He's solid, he's become a tough tennis player."

In the third spot will be senior Pat Onoro, dropped two notches from No. 1 singles (his 2008 lineup spot) for no reason other than Zhang and Dwan are outstanding.

"He (Onoro) got bumped down," Kimball explained. "But he's still high-level."

In the No. 4 position will be senior co-captain Pat Bailey, part of the 2008 No. 1 doubles tandem.

"He worked hard to develop a tougher serve," Kimball said. "And he's become a little more consistent. He's one of my co-captains and just a solid leader."

Plymouth's other co-captain is senior Andy Mitchell, part of the No. 1 doubles team with junior John Lopus.

Kimball said Mitchell is turning the corner as far as smacking the ball with accuracy.

Lopus is showing big-time improvement in his skill set, the coach noted. "He's a great doubles player, with good reaction and (good) hands at the net."

The coach didn't want to single out anybody else, other than to say there are many newer players who could make an impact.

Another winning season would only enhance the fun and crowded atmosphere these days around the tennis courts at Salem.

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DAZZLING NUCLEUS

What he does know for certain is he has six athletes who are prime examples of the extra effort he likes to see and a lot of others who want to emulate them.

"They see these other guys play a high level of tennis and want to know how they did it," Mitchell said. "They found out they went to the club, and they're working with instructors and playing tournaments. It kind of becomes the standard for making a top varsity spot."

"You have to pay your dues. Those guys have done it, and so we can build on that."

Among his top six, sophomore Aaron Zhang (No. 1

Big tests early for Salem netters

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

It's not exactly fair to open a season dealing with two Top 10 state powerhouses in eight days.

But Salem varsity boys tennis coach Bill Nelson figures facing some of the best should bolster his own up-and-rising KLAAs-Central squad.

"It's tough to get past Northville and then we have Novi when we come back to start school next week," said Nelson, whose team started the season Tuesday with an 8-1 home loss to the Mustangs. "... We'd like to think we can compete with them. We'll see."

The Rocks did battle Northville in several contests. But it wasn't until the day's final matchup that Salem salvaged something to build on.

Salem's No. 1 doubles tandem of juniors Brock Foster and Josh Perrin scored a 7-5, 3-6, 6-3 victory over the

Mustangs Evan Gatz and Anthony Rossi.

"It gives us encouragement to fight on for the rest of the season," said Nelson about the Foster-Perrin triumph, adding that a shutout defeat "would have been kind of demoralizing."

POWERFUL DUO

That the pairing of Foster and Perrin came out with the three-set win did not surprise Nelson. "I think the (No. 1) doubles team is by far the most powerful we have and that we have had for a couple years."

In singles flights, a gritty performance by Salem junior Brett Foster could not stop Northville senior Melvin Joseph from posting a 6-2, 6-2 victory at No. 1.

But Nelson liked the way Brett Foster, also the No. 1 singles player in 2008, battled his opponent.

"Brett, he just grinds it out," Nelson

noted. "If he has to hit 40 balls, he'll hit 40 balls."

Salem freshman Jacob Scott lost 3-6, 3-6 at No. 2 singles to senior Tim Wasielewski.

Similar losses took place at No. 3-4 singles: Dion Walker, a junior, dropped a 2-6, 1-6 match to senior Steve Irvine; senior John Kang fell 2-6, 2-6 to senior Nick Kalweit in the four slot.

Northville's overall talent and experience won out in the No. 2-5 doubles matchups. Those results were as follows: No. 2, Andy Steinman-Mike Keum lost 3-6, 3-6 to Albert Chen-Bryce Groshek; No. 3, Cody Hazen-Alek Zultkowski lost 3-6, 0-6 to Matt Satterfield-Phil Lee; No. 4, Zenik Pelekh-Greg Selewski lost 3-6, 0-6 to Jordan Blough-Alex Hsu; No. 5, Tyler Foley-Vishnu Rajendran took it on the chin from Austin Weaver-Rahul Raj, 1-6, 1-6.

Please see SALEM, B2

'We lost a couple varsity doubles players. But we return our core singles and have some strength and have some players that have played a lot of indoor and tournament tennis in the off-season.'

TOM KIMBALL, Plymouth boys tennis coach



WALT DMOCH

Canton resident Mark Hill tries valiantly to stop this shot during his cameo appearance as a Plymouth Whalers goaltender on Sunday. Hill took part as goalie for one of the teams during an alumni game at Compuware Arena.

Canton man's Whaler for a day

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Mark Hill of Canton didn't try to worry about the number of goals that were slipping past him during Sunday's Plymouth Whalers alumni game.

"I just tried not to get embarrassed and keep up with the guy at the other end (Scott Holsinger)," said Hill with a grin following the Sunday afternoon contest at Compuware Arena. "He played pretty well. It was tough."

The 31-year-old Hill — a Tier 1 recreation goalie whose family hosts current Whaler Tyler

G. Brown — stepped in at the last minute when it became apparent a sub goalie would be needed for the first-annual alumni contest.

Hill's Blue Team rallied to tie the game 11-11 after three periods of running time, but the White Team prevailed in the shootout.

His biggest nemesis was center Andrew Fournier (a Whaler in 2003-08), who lit the lamp four times. Chipping in with two goals was left wing John Vigilante, a fourth-year pro who now is in the Detroit Red Wings' system.

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2009 VOLLEYBALL PREVIEW

Chiefs look to play hard, contend

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Mary Kryska is taking over the head coaching job of the Canton Chiefs' varsity volleyball team in 2009, succeeding Jennifer Barnes who is relegating herself

to an assistant's role

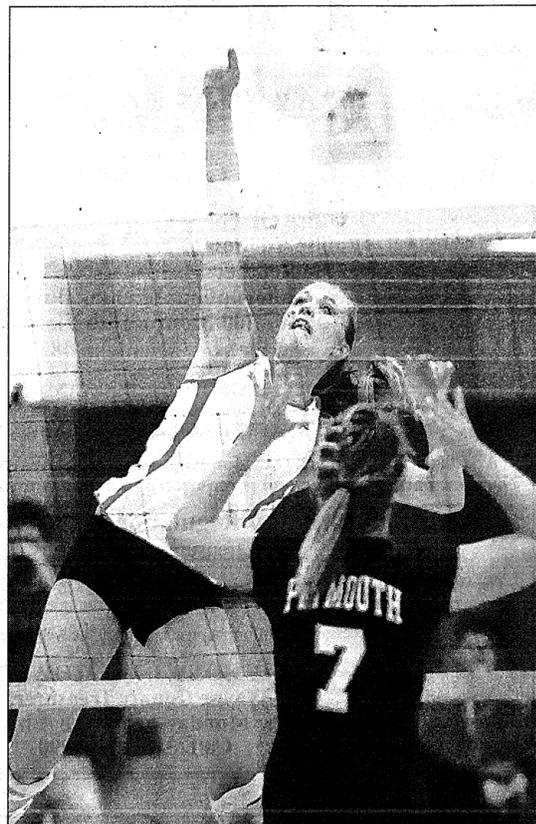
this year.

But it isn't taking Kryska long to get a read on the Chiefs and what they might be able to accomplish in the KLAAs Kensington-South. She already likes the vibe so far in practices and is anxious for the team to start the regular season.

"The girls have the passion to work hard and win," Kryska said. "I have very high expectations for the girls and how they will finish the season. We will be facing great competition but I plan to have the girls ready to contend."

Canton has a number of returning players from the squad that went 36-12-2 last year before bowing out in the Division 1 district tournament.

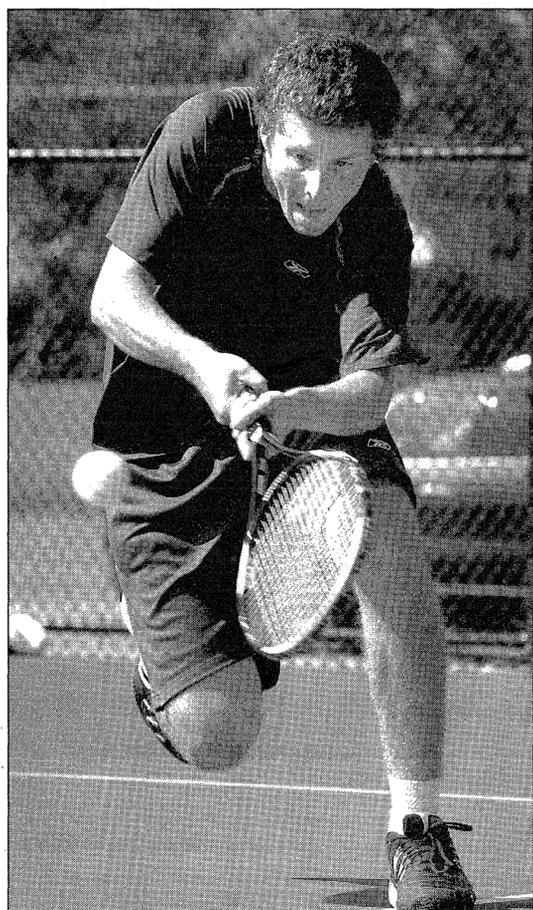
Considered "our biggest



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Shown here during a 2008 contest is Canton's Jordan Kieftly (left), who is expected to again be a key factor for the Chiefs this season.

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Showing dogged determination while returning a shot Tuesday is Salem No. 1 singles player Brett Foster.

Plymouth Christian kickers win two straight

The Plymouth Christian boys soccer team made it two victories in a row with Tuesday's 7-0 victory over visiting Washtenaw Christian.

Tallying twice was Don Mullett, who had scoring help from Chris Scagnetti, freshman Dan Ross, Alex Chapman, Jordan Machonga and freshman Ethan Levack (netting a goal in his first varsity tilt).

Machonga also collected two assists to help spark the Eagles' strong offensive effort.

But the Eagles (2-1-0) were excellent across the board, said co-coach Larry Machonga.

"Every player on our team was able to get significant playing time and the consistency of pressure never

stopped," he said. "Solid defense came from our senior defenders Ethan Walker (formerly of Canton Agape Christian) and Matt Zandee."

Shutting down the middle was junior sweeper Travis Dekruyter while senior goalie Jordan Allen recorded the shutout.

On Saturday, an overtime goal by Chapman (2 goals) helped PCA nip Allen Park Inter-City Baptist, 5-4, in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference game.

Mullett scored twice (both assisted by Jordan Machonga) to help the Eagles get off to a good start.

But the Chargers went up 3-2 in the second half before Chapman's first goal made it

3-3.

Both teams traded goals late in regulation with a penalty kick tally by PCA's Ross sending the contest into overtime.

The winning goal came about four minutes into the extra stanza, when Chapman found the upper right corner.

"It was a great victory but we obviously have some kinks to work out in our defense," said co-coach Evan Baker.

Chiefs knock off Warriors

Sophomore forward Mitch Pasuniak scored two goals and senior forward Brandon Tolinski assisted on three goals Friday to lift host Canton to a 4-1 triumph over Walled Lake Western in a KLA

varsity boys soccer crossover contest.

"Overall, it was a slow start to the game but we came on strong as the game went on," said Chiefs' head coach George Tomasso, whose squad improved to 3-1-1. "I was really pleased with the team's performance."

Also scoring for Canton were senior midfielder Yusef Bazy, who tallied the game's first goal, and junior forward Sean Balnaves.

Collecting an assist was freshman Daniel Ovesea. The Warriors goal-scorer was Nick Lewin.

Sharing goalkeeping duties for the Chiefs were senior Kai Walther (4 saves) and junior Brandon Laabs (6 saves).

SALEM

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TIME FOR OPTIMISM

Opening match aside, Nelson is still optimistic that the Rocks can again be a very competitive unit this season.

In addition to the strong, consistent Brett Foster (an All-Observer pick last year), the Rocks feature a singles lineup of Scott (No. 2), Walker (No. 3) and Kang (No. 4).

Scott is "an excellent player, he's been playing since he was a little kid. And he plays national tournaments."

Nelson added that Walker

(No. 3 last year) and former doubles player Kang bring plenty of experience and consistency.

The coach also is generally happy with his doubles lineup, of course, spearheaded by the top pairing of Brock Foster and Perrin.

Of the other four units, Nelson is eager to see how well the No. 3 duo of Hazen and Zultkowski (a former soccer player) compete against the very competitive KLA.

Salem will look to break into the victory column with a matchup Thursday at South Lyon East. The contest at Novi is next Wednesday.

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Reign-ing supreme

The Plymouth Reign '98 Girls Green soccer team celebrates after winning their division at last weekend's Dearborn Soccer Tournament. The Reign, coached by Glenn Liguori, includes the following players (listed alphabetically): Jordan Anheuser, Sophie Barterian, Sarah Bloem, Camilla Brown, Nicole Clark, Anna Maria DeBiasi, Kara Hutchison, Kaya Knake, Hailey Kutulski, Samantha McGrath, Emily Raymo and Emily Tanski.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL
Thursday, Sept. 3
W.L. Northern vs. Salem at PCEP (Varsity Turf), 7 p.m.
Canton at Lakeland, 7 p.m.
Plymouth at Brighton, 7 p.m.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
Friday, Sept. 4
Ladywood at Bedford Tourney, 8:30 a.m.

Saturday, Sept. 5
University of Michigan Concessions Tourney, TBA

BOYS SOCCER
Thursday, Sept. 3
Cranbrook at Luth. Westland, 4:30 p.m.
Salem at DeLaSalle Collegiate H.S., 7 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 4
A.A. Pioneer at Canton, 5:30 p.m.

BOYS & GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY
Thursday, Sept. 3
Luth. Westland Time Trials, 4 p.m.

GIRLS SWIMMING & DIVING
Thursday, Sept. 3
Ladywood vs. R.O. Shrine at Ferndale H.S., 6 p.m.

BOYS TENNIS
Thursday, Sept. 3
Plymouth at Canton, 4 p.m.
Salem at S. Lyon East, 4 p.m.

GIRLS GOLF
Thursday, Sept. 3
Ladywood at Warren Regina, 3 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
Friday, Sept. 4
Schoolcraft at Owens (Ohio) Tourney, TBA.
(Embry-Riddle, Fla. Labor Day Tourney)

Madonna vs. N'western Ohio, 11 a.m.
Madonna vs. Faulkner (Ala.) Univ., 5 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 5
Schoolcraft at Owens (Ohio) Tourney, TBA.
(Embry-Riddle, Fla. Labor Day Tourney)

Madonna vs. Lindsey Wilson (Ky.), 3 p.m.
Madonna vs. Embry Riddle (Fla.), 7 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Saturday, Sept. 5
Madonna at Indiana Tech, 2:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Saturday, Sept. 5
Jackson CC at Schoolcraft, 11 a.m.
Madonna at Indiana Tech, noon.
TBA - time to be announced.

Newcomers help retool Wildcats

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

VOLLEYBALL PREVIEW

Reinforcements are ready to help Plymouth's varsity volleyball team overcome losing a handful of top 2008 performers to graduation.

The Wildcats, coached by Kelly McCausland, mix enough key returnees and newcomers with potential to likely again be a competitive team in the KLA.

"Defensively we are getting stronger daily," emphasized McCausland, prepping her squad for the Sept. 9 sea-

son opener against Wayne Memorial. "And we are working diligently on a quicker tempo offense."

Another plus is how quickly the team is gelling.

"The team has become a cohesive unit thus far," she said. "Our returning players have improved at every facet of the game and our new players have adjusted very well to the faster-paced game at the varsity level."

Returning from 2008

Wildcats (18-16-4) are co-captains Katie Salo (senior setter), Erin O'Connor (senior right side hitter) and senior middle hitter Kelly Smoltz.

They are joined by junior outside hitters Kayla Bridge, Dani Risi and junior middle hitter Alex Roberts, also part of the '08 team.

Those players will hopefully pick up where graduates Megan Quinlan, Lauren Scott, Briana Beyer, Mandy McManus and Jenna Livingston left off.

Out of that group, however, Scott, Beyer and Livingston

were defensive specialists.

Although that left McCausland with a void to fill in her lineup card, she has confidence that junior defensive specialists Mariah Tesarz, Andrea Haidar and Laura Schmid will do the job.

The Wildcats also have two sophomores who could add some offensive punch.

Hitter Jessica Scott can line up either in the middle or right side while Lindsay Stemberger can chip in either at outside hitter or defensive specialist.

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Eagles open with victory over Roper

After weeks of hard work gearing up for the new volleyball season, opening night turned out to be a sweet payoff for Plymouth Christian.

The Eagles took all three games Tuesday night to sweep past host Birmingham Roper in a Michigan Independent

Athletic Conference contest.

"We just came out strong in our match, we played very solidly as a team," said PCA head coach Kelly Blackney. "We were excited to play our first match."

"... The girls really exhibited the work they put forth in

practice on the court."

Blackney cited several players, including outside hitter Amy Zinn (10 defensive digs), libero Abby Bartes (10 digs), middle blocker Kristin Malcolm (9 kills) and middle blocker Folake Olojo (6 kills).

CHIEFS

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offensive threat" from the outside hitter position is senior co-captain Jordan Kieilty.

Complementing Kieilty is sophomore right-side hitter Kristen Muir.

Starting in the middle will be sophomore Alaina Turner, who Kryska said "will put up a huge block for us as well as a hard hit."

STEADY DEFENDERS

Senior co-captains and

defensive specialists Leah Powers and Lauren Macuga (libero) will help anchor the middle and back of the Chiefs' side of the net, joined by junior defensive specialist Laura Facasni.

Macuga, in particular "will be very strong for us defensively" along with Powers, she said.

The graduation of three-year varsity setter Kacy Moran could be a major blow, but Kryska is confident in the ability of senior Tracy Breitmeyer to take over that spot.

"We are working to mesh our setters with our hitters,"

Kryska said.

Rounding out the roster are seniors Anna Lerner (right-side hitter/defensive specialist), Kelsey Lindberg (outside hitter/right-side hitter), Allison Trapp (middle hitter), Torry Riley (outside hitter/right-side hitter); junior Tori DenBoer (middle hitter); sophomore Jackie Waite (setter); and freshman Erica DenBoer (outside hitter/right-side hitter).

Canton opens the season 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 9, at Westland John Glenn.

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PREP GRID PICKS

Week 2
Thursday, Sept. 3
 Livonia Clarenceville (0-1) at Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook (0-1), 4 p.m.
 Plymouth (1-0) at Brighton (0-1), 7 p.m.
 Canton (1-0) at White Lake Lakeland (0-1), 7 p.m.
 Walled Lake Northern (0-1) at Salem (0-1), 7 p.m.
 Lutheran Westland (0-1) at Riverview Gabriel Richard (0-1), 7 p.m.
 Birmingham Groves (0-1) at Farmington (0-1), 7 p.m.
 Pinckney (0-1) at Westland John Glenn (1-0), 7 p.m.
 Wayne (1-0) at Waterford Mott (0-1), 7 p.m.
 Ferndale (0-1) at North Farmington (1-0), 7 p.m.
 Howell (1-0) at Livonia Stevenson (0-1), 7 p.m.
 Livonia Churchill (0-1) at Waterford Kettering (0-1), 7 p.m.
 Livonia Franklin (1-0) vs. Walled Lake Western (0-1), 7 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 4
 Redford Union (0-1) at Belleville (0-1), 7 p.m.
 Redford Thurston (1-0) at Dearborn Edsel Ford (1-0), 7 p.m.
 Garden City (0-1) at Dearborn Fordson (1-0), 7 p.m.
 Rochester (0-1) at Farmington Harrison (1-0), 7 p.m.
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Glenn	Glenn	Farmington	Glenn
Mott	Wayne	Wayne	Glenn
North Farmington	Ferndale	North Farmington	Wayne
Stevenson	Howell	Stevenson	Ferndale
Churchill	Kettering	Kettering	Howell
Franklin	Franklin	Western	Kettering
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Belleville	Belleville	Belleville	Belleville
Edsel Ford	Edsel Ford	Thurston	Thurston
Fordson	Fordson	Fordson	Fordson
Harrison	Harrison	Harrison	Harrison
10-4 (.714)	9-5 (.643)	8-6 (.571)	11-3 (.786)

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Alumni soccer at PCEP

The Salem and Canton annual Men's Soccer Alumni Game is slated for 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 12. The contest will follow the annual Salem-Canton varsity boys soccer contest at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park and will be played at the varsity soccer stadium. All alumni players from any year are invited to attend. Salem players can contact coach Ed McCarthy at (248) 561-2846 and Canton players can contact coach

George Tomasso at (734) 812-2290.

Arctic Edge shavings

Arctic Edge on Michigan Ave. in Canton is hosting a "Learn to Skate" program Saturdays from Sept. 26 through Nov. 14 with sessions from 10-10:45 a.m. and from 11-11:45 a.m. Each class is 30 minutes with 15 minutes of full ice practice time. Cost is \$100 per skater per eight-week session. For more information, contact Learn to Skate director Theresa McKendry at learntoskat-earcticedge@yahoo.com.

Advertorial
TEE TIME *Your local golf guide*

Links golf in Ireland

By David Graham

If you ever have the chance, go to the Emerald Isle and experience "links" golf. The game originated in that setting in Scotland and is not that common for us in Michigan. We do have some samples of it around the state including the Gailes Course at Lakewood Shores resort in Oscoda and Arcadia Bluffs on Lake Michigan to name a couple. If you need tree lined fairways to enjoy your golf avoid links golf. But if you want to try your hand at managing your game through the mounds and valleys of a links land, you might find it to be an extraordinary experience. Over the past three years, the Golf Association of Michigan has partnered with Sullivan Golf & Travel to take groups to Ireland. The last two years we traveled to southwest Ireland and played the following courses: Waterville, Tralee, Ballybunion, Lahinch, Dooks and

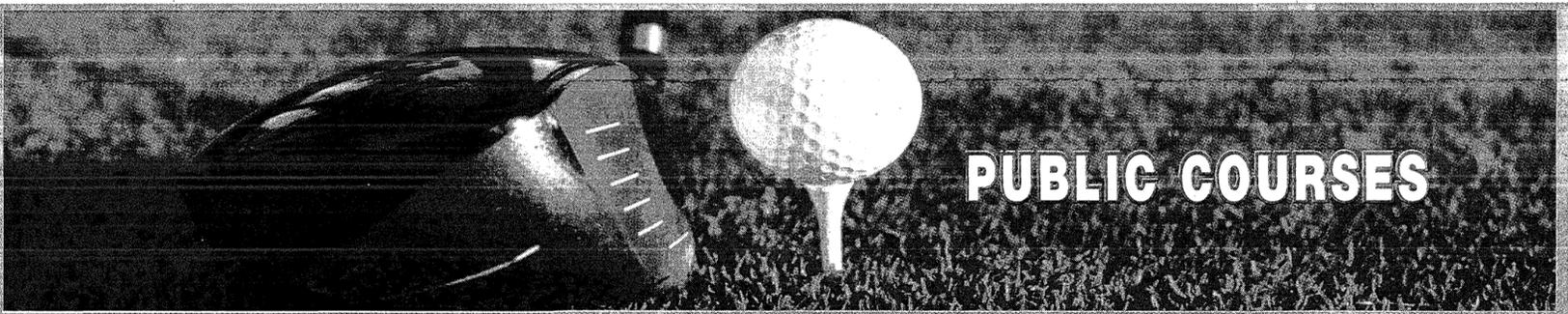
Old Head. As noted, trees are quite scarce on these courses but you might be surprised to learn that Palm Trees can be found at Waterville (apparently the Gulf Stream moderates the temperature enough for these trees!). When playing these courses, it is always good to have at least one caddy serving your group. While they tend to carry doubles, a four-some can be served nicely by a single caddy who carries two sets of clubs but is able to provide direction to all of the members of the group on the tee when you are faced with the inevitable blind shot. While not common to have blind shots on courses in Michigan, it seems to be very much the norm in Ireland and can be found on many of the golf holes off the tee — aim for a distant mound or hill or church steeple. At Lahinch Golf Club, there is a par 5 hole (named "the Klondyke") that requires a long second shot over a

large hill covered in heather (very long and unforgiving grass). On the crown of the hill is a small hut where a club employee spends their day with a red flag. As you learn, the hole you are playing crisscrosses the 18th fairway and you cannot hit your shot until it is clear and you receive the red flag to play away! Presuming you succeed making it over the hill with your second shot, you have a fairly simple third shot into the green but don't be too long as you may cozy up to the stone wall behind the green or worse, over the wall onto the road. The next hole is a 185-yard par 3 called "the Dell." The right half of the green is visible from the tee and the left is hidden by another very tall hill covered in heather. There is a white aiming stone positioned on top of the hill that serves as your target. Depending on wind direction and strength, your caddy will direct you to aim at or to the right or left of the stone. If your

distance control is accurate, you should find your ball somewhere on the dance floor. As noted above, the wind is a huge part of the experience on a links course. Since you are not protected by trees and located along side the sea, the wind has such an impact that the preferred ball flight is a lower trajectory that helps to minimize its impact. While it can be maddening to have your ball blown off track into the heather and worse, it is such fun to correctly assess its impact and to hit your ball to your target by correctly gauging its impact. At Ballybunion, we played on what seemed to be an extremely windy day. I estimated it to be a 3 club wind. When I asked my caddy if he had this strong of wind frequently, he smiled and replied that this was a relatively calm day and I should see what it would be like when it really blew. That day, it took a full driver to reach the green on one of the par 3's

into the wind. I was humbled to think what it would be like to play "when it really blew." Beyond the wind, the heather and the blind shots, your visit also includes a visit with the gorse. If you hit your ball into the heather, if you can find it, the best you can typically do is hit your ball back into the fairway with your sand wedge. This will work most of the time. But with gorse, a plant that is a dark green, sprawling, prickly shrub, if you find the ball, chances are likely that you take a drop for an unplayable lie. While it is interesting to look at, avoid at all costs. Golf in Ireland has proven to be an addicting experience that is truly extraordinary. Beyond the golf, the people, the food and the Guinness are beyond compare!

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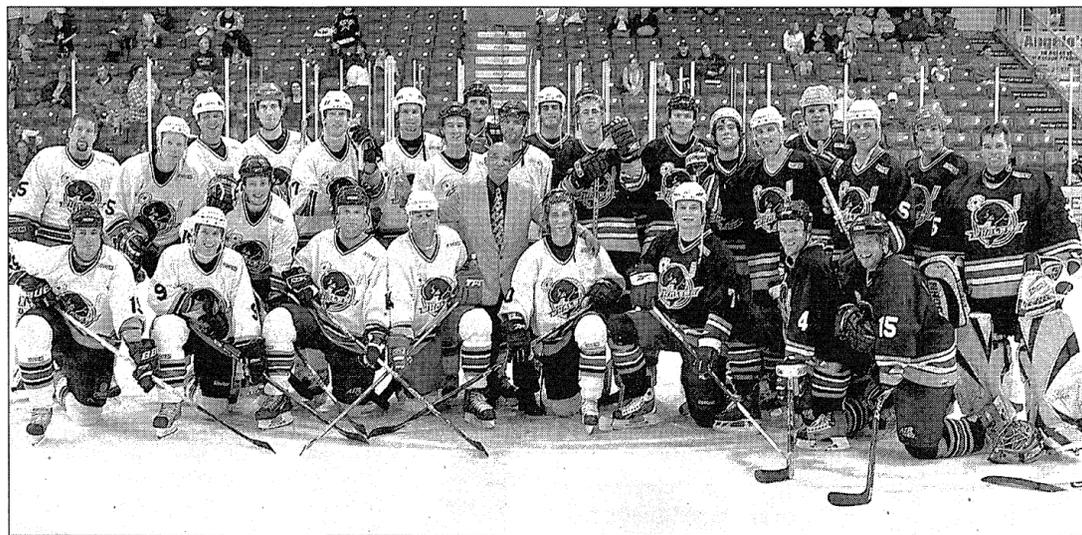
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Following Sunday's Plymouth Whalers alumni game at Compuware Arena, all participating players got together for a group photo. At far right is sub goaltender Mark Hill of Canton.

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The goaltender's chance to play with former, current and future National Hockey League players came about almost nonchalantly. "I was actually watching the Whalers (on Friday) at their training camp the other day and just watching our billet son Tyler G. Brown," Hill recalled. "Natalie (Shaver of the Whalers' marketing department) came up and said they needed another goalie for Sunday. "Since I practice with the Whalers and things like that in the off-season she asked me to play." The alumni game kicked off a season-long slate of activities to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Ontario Hockey League franchise, which began life in 1990-91 as the Detroit Compuware Ambassadors. When Hill skated out on the ice for pregame warmups, the nerves were on edge. But after a few warmup shots, he settled down and didn't worry too much about playing in front of more fans than he is accustomed to with his regular team, the Irish (a top-quality Tier 1 hockey squad based out of Wayne).

BACK ON THE ICE

The following one-time Plymouth Whalers suited up for Sunday's alumni hockey game at Compuware Arena, with seasons of duty in parentheses: Dan Collins (2003-07), Wes Cunningham (2005-08), Shaun Fisher (1997-00), Andrew Fournier (2003-08), Jordan Grant (2003-04), Duane Harmer (1993-95), Scott Holsinger (1997-99), Jamie Lalonde (1997-00), David Liffiton (2001-04), Joe McCann (2005-08), Bill McCauley (1992-95), Ryan McGinnis (2003-07), Jeff Mitchell (1992-95), John Mitchell (2001-05), Dan Pawlaczyk (1993-97), Pat Peake (1990-93), Kris Purdy (1997-00), James Ramsay (1998-01), Tom Sestito (2004-07), Zack Shepley (2003-08), Damian Surma (1998-02), Chris Terry (2005-09), John Vigilante (2002-06) and Steve Ward (2004-07).

"It was a little intimidating at first, those guys are a lot bigger than I am and they played a lot more hockey than I have," Hill noted. "Once they start doing the warmups and they start shooting on you then you get right back into the feel of things."

HELD HIS OWN

Overall, Hill was satisfied with how he played. "I made a couple good saves and they scored some goals that I'm sure they would have scored on a lot of other people, too." During the second period, Hill's quick glove hand prevented a breakaway goal "and my team started to come back at that point, so it was nice to help the team out and make a big save." He also couldn't turn aside the fact that in order to get through the high-tempo, no-defense tilt he'd better really step up his own game. "It's a huge difference from what I'm used to," Hill said. "These guys can shoot the puck where they want to, they shoot it harder, they skate faster they can stickhandle. Most of those guys are still playing somewhere." One of those guys is Vigilante (2002-06), who likely will play for the Grand Rapids Griffins of the American Hockey League in 2009-10. The Griffins are the top farm team of the NHL Red Wings. "It's awesome, seeing everybody in the same room again, talking about old memories, seeing how things are going with everyone," Vigilante said. "And you know it's good for the fans, to see everyone out here

again who they've watched over the years."

FUN FOR FANS

Up in the Compuware concourse near CJ's Brewery (where the postgame meet-and-greet took place), longtime Whalers fans Rollie and Laurie Buchanan of Plymouth wore jerseys of alums Kris Purdy (1997-2000) and Jan Vodrazka (1995-97), respectively. "At one time Laurie was the fan club president and I was the treasurer," Rollie noted. "This today is awesome, it (the game) was great. I hope they keep it up. It's really fun to see all these guys come back and they just seemed to have a fun time playing." Laurie, meanwhile, had hoped for more of the bigger names to show up, such as Garden City's Jason Bacashihua and Stephen Weiss, both gearing up for NHL camps. "There are certain ones that were always our favorites," she said. "Some of them were busy and we know that." As far as Hill was concerned, he probably was glad others couldn't get to the Plymouth Township venue. "I saw a lot of people who played in the NHL and who may still play in the NHL," Hill said. "So it was an unbelievable experience."

Four!

Salem quartet will carry load

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

GOLF PREVIEW

These days, Rick Wilson couldn't be blamed if he were looking into golf bags for magnets. Why? He needs to draw new players to his shorthanded Salem varsity girls golf team for the first time in memory. With Wednesday's season opener against South Lyon East on the horizon, Wilson had only four players for sure on his roster — although he was busy trying to get some last-minute additions. High school teams only need four golfers on the lineup card to compete in official matches. "Our numbers are down," Wilson said. "For years, we always had 12 girls. Over the years we've had four all-staters." Wilson won't blame the economy because both Canton and Plymouth have decent numbers coming out this fall

and because the Salem boys team has so much interest (30 golfers at tryouts last year) he has to make cuts every spring. He does wonder if some prospective golfers opted to do other things instead of come out for the golf team. But whatever the reason for the low turnout and despite it, Wilson sees potential. Junior returnee Kristin Schultz brings some experience to the home course, Fox Hills. Erin Conklin, a sophomore, "has a good swing, but little-to-no experience" while sophomore Monica Cutshaw is a beginner to competitive golf. The fourth player is freshman Gabrielle LeBlanc. "She's got a really good swing. She has the fundamentals, but she lacks experience."

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GIRLS GOLF RESULTS

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Sept. 1 at Whispering Willows
Plymouth scorers: Kelsey Murphy, 39 (medalist); Chloe Marentic, 48; Sarah Thompson and Mardy Kirsch, 56 each; Maggie Furlong, 57; Christy Pattison, 58.
Churchill scorers: Stephanie Panaretos and Jackie Burdette, 54 each; Jordyn Shepler, 57; Shelby Longworth, 61; Maggie McGowan, 68; Margo McClain, 75.
Dual match records: Plymouth, 1-0 overall, 1-0 KLA South Division; Churchill, 0-1 overall, 0-1 KLA South.

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CHAMBER CHAT

Paint store partners with customers

Observer: Please tell us about your business.

Painters Supply: Painters Supply & Equipment Co. is a leader in Automotive, Industrial, Fleet and Architectural Paint supplies and distribution in the Midwest. We have 21 stores throughout Michigan and Ohio and we are PPG's largest Platinum Distributor in those markets. We serve Collision Centers from both Automotive Dealerships and Independents. Our customers include: Jack Demmer Automotive Group, Dick Scott Dodge, LaFontaine Automotive Group, Metropolitan Lincoln Mercury, LaRiche Chevrolet, Blackwell Ford, Glassman Automotive Group, North Brothers Ford & Lincoln Mercury, Crestwood Dodge, Tom Holzer Ford, Gordon Chevrolet, Pat Milliken Ford, Bob Sellers Buick/Pontiac/GMC, Northville Collision, Schrader Collision, Colonial Collision and Livonia Collision, just to name a few. We also serve our local counties: Wayne, Oakland, Washtenaw and Macomb and supply to some of metropolitan Detroit's most famous landmarks like The Henry Ford, Comerica Park and the Motor City Casino.

Observer: How did you decide to open your business?

Painters Supply: It was easy. Our Plymouth location provided the opportunity to service our customers the best. Our store is very accessible via several major freeways (I-275, I-94, M-14, I-96) so it is quick and easy to both deliver products to our customers quickly or have them visit us at the store.

Observer: Why did you choose Plymouth?

Painters Supply: Plymouth is a close-knit community of which we are proud to be a member. It has a sense of a family environment and that is the way we are as a company - a big PSE family!

Observer: What makes your business unique?

Painters Supply: We have a very different approach than our competitors. When we partner with a new customer, it is exactly that - a partnership. We have a strong team in place to support our customer's business and we provide consultant-style services to ensure the long-term growth and profitability of our customer partners. Paint is not treated as a "commodity business" at Painters Supply. When you sign with PSE, you are signing with a team of professionals that will look after your business as its own. We will assist in creating lean processes within the shop and manage inventories in order to minimize expenses. We will consult with our



Patrick Mayette, vice president for sales/marketing, explains the automotive finishes area of the Plymouth facility.

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- **Your name and title:** Chet Taurence, CEO
- **Your hometown:** Grosse Ile
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- **Number of Employees:** 160
- **Hours of operation:** Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, 8 a.m. to noon
- **Your Business specialty:** Paint products (sandpaper, tape, brushes, equipment, etc.)
- **Business phone and Web site:** (734) 455-4100; www.painterssupply.com

customer prospects on their booth layout to determine which products and materials would best suit them before we get started. Along with our paint partner PPG, we provide industry training to ensure our customer partners have all the latest tools and knowledge to perform at the highest level. We continuously supply our customers with the latest products and technologies to ensure they're on the cutting edge from a competitive standpoint. Our #1 goal is to build very strong partnerships with leaders in the industry to position all parties for success over the long term.

Observer: How has the business changed since it opened?

Painters Supply: New technologies have been brought to market which allows collision centers to improve quality, efficiencies and profitability within the shop. One technology in particular is PPG's Envirobase and Aquabase Waterborne paint lines. Painters Supply has remained very busy installing waterborne systems throughout Michigan and Ohio due to its huge popularity. Not only is it easier to spray, we find that you don't need to use as much material to get the job done and the dry time between coats drops

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Observer: How has the economy affected business?

Painters Supply: We have been fortunate to gain significant market share due to the success of the PPG waterborne product and the enhanced PSE team and support structure put in place by Painters Supply's management team. This has offset to a large degree the existing shops that have slowed in business due to the

economic conditions.

Observer: What is in store for the future?

Painters Supply: We are looking to put a facelift on the Plymouth Store's frontage. Designs are in the works for a brownstone design which will improve esthetics significantly on Ann Arbor Road. We will also look to put more emphasis on other market segments. We are looking to grow our Industrial, Fleet and architectural business'. We currently offer Pratt & Lambert which is a great product for residential and commercial buildings. We also carry all types of coatings products to address all industrial and fleet applications.

Auction countdown

Save the date of Friday, Nov. 6, for the Chamber's 20th Annual Gala Auction.

With over 400 attendees this is our most famous and prestigious Chamber event and largest fund-raiser. This year the event will be a rocking great time because we are using our community-marketing brand "Plymouth Rocks" as the theme.

At this time we are working hard to gather outstanding auction prizes. We have already received some fantastic auction prizes from members this year, like jewelry and many other great items.

Also, to add to the excitement this year, we are raffling off a special basket filled with \$100 worth of scratch-off lottery tickets. Some of the tickets have possible payouts as high as one-million dollars. Tickets are only \$5. If you are interested in making an auction donation, please call Wes Graff at (734) 453-1540.

Downtown Restaurant Crawl

Seventeen restaurants and food providers are slated to participate in Penn-Taste-Tic, the popular downtown restaurant crawl 5:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23. "Crawlers" can walk around Downtown Plymouth enjoying delicious samples and treats from many of their favorite Plymouth eateries.

This event is a great outing for friends, co-workers or family to have a fun evening



Wes Graff

together trying the best selections that Downtown Plymouth has to offer. Proceeds from the Crawl go to support the Chamber of Commerce and the Penn Theatre.

Tickets for Penn-Taste-Tic are \$20 and can be purchased at the Chamber office at 850 West Ann Arbor Trail. Tickets must be purchased by 4:00 p.m. the day before the Crawl. For more information, call the Chamber at (734) 453-1540.

Business directory

The Chamber is beginning work on a new version of our membership directory. In addition to the membership listings, the new publication will serve as a quality of life promotional piece for the community. The full-color guide will be distributed to members, residents and people interested in locating to the area. Our directories have a long shelf life since they are only produced every two years so now is the time to get in for advertising. We are partnering with Chamber member, NovoPrint USA, to produce the book. To discuss advertising in the book, contact Gillian Mashani, (734) 718-4049.

Wes Graff is executive director of the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce. He can be reached by e-mail at wes@plymouthmich.org or by calling (734) 453-1540.

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BUSINESS MILESTONES

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To see some of their yo-yo tricks, please see the Duncan Crew Web site at www.duncancrew.org.

IKEA networking

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce and its partners with the Western Suburban Area Council of Chambers presents a regional networking event 8-9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22, at the IKEA store, 41640 Ford Road, in Canton.

Join 12 suburban Chambers from the western suburbs gathering under the roof of IKEA in Canton to do some serious morning networking. The event will also feature breakfast, a special presentation from the store manager, gift card raffles and shopping IKEA before it opens.

Space is limited to 20 members per Chamber for this event. It will be on a first come, first served basis with payment.

If necessary, a waiting list will be started. The cost is \$5 for Chamber members (\$10 for non-members) and must be paid at the time of reservation.

For more information or to make a reservation, contact the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453-1540 or e-mail teri@plymouthmich.org

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SEPT. 3-9

Bethany dance

8 p.m.-midnight, Saturday, Sept. 5, at St. Robert Bellarmine 27101 W. Chicago Road, at Inkster Road, in Redford. Admission \$10 includes refreshments. Tango lesson runs from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Call Diane K. for information at (734) 261-5716.

Teens and finance

Four-week series meets 7:30-8:30 p.m., Wednesdays, beginning Sept. 9, at Way of Life Christian Church, 9401 General Drive, Suite 100, Plymouth. Aimed at teens, 13-18. Call (313) 289-2477 to register.

SEPT. 10-16

Mom-to-mom

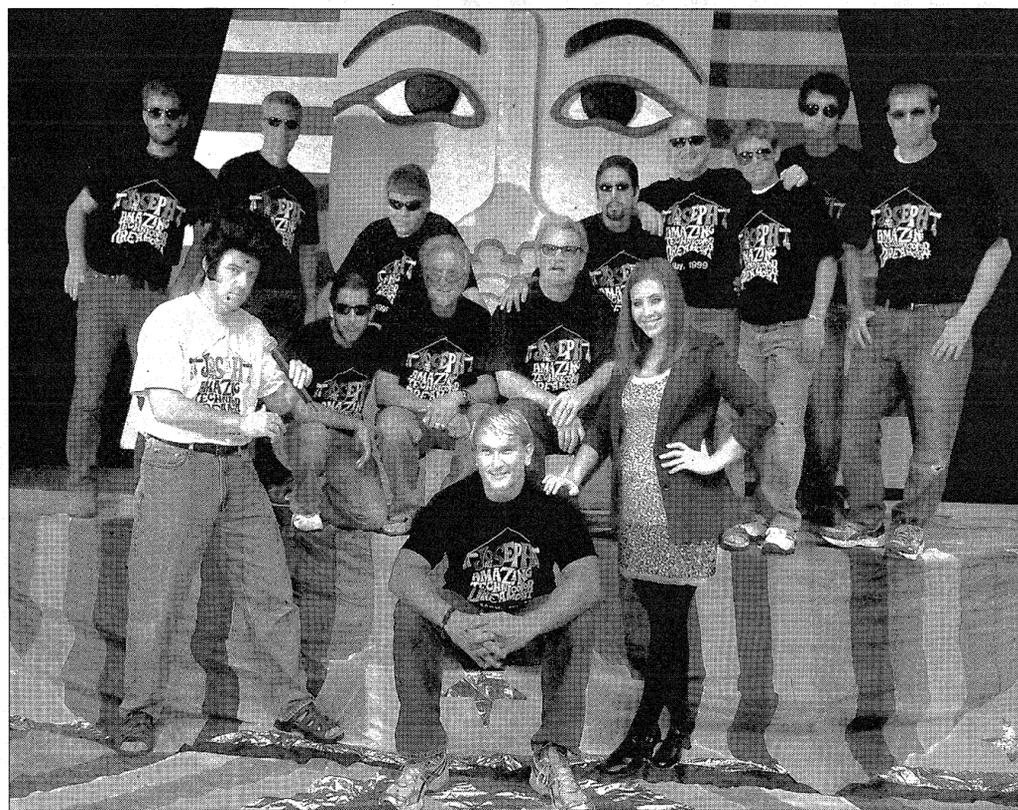
8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 12, at Connection Church, 3855 S. Sheldon, west of I-275, north of Michigan Ave., in Canton. Presented by Mothers of Preschoolers. Admission \$1. For more information e-mail to CCmomsMom@gmail.com.

Marriage series

Classes run 6:30-8 p.m., Sundays, beginning Sept. 13 through Oct. 4, at Way of Life Christian Church, 9401 General Drive, Suite 100, Plymouth. For more information call (734) 340-5551

Pomegranate Guild

The organization, which studies and creates Judaic needlework, kicks off its 2009-2010 season at 1 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 13, at Adat Shalom Synagogue, 29901 Middlebelt,



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'Joseph' takes to local stage

The Farmington school district/Community Musical Group presents the musical 'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat' Thursday, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 10, 12 and 13, in the Hunt Auditorium at North Farmington High School. Showtimes are 7:30 p.m. Sept. 10; 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sept. 12 and 2 p.m. Sept. 13. Tickets are \$12 for students and senior citizens and \$15 for adults. Call (248) 425-5202. No tickets sales on Sept. 4 or 7. Cast members (left to right) are Jerry Morrissey as Pharaoh, and Dean Streck as Joseph. Jillian Wallach, on hiatus from her national tour in 'Annie,' is the narrator. They are joined by the brothers and others cast members (background). The production is a sassy and boisterous retelling of Joseph's dream interpreting skills and his brothers' extreme jealousy after Jacob, their father, gives a beautiful coat to Joseph to show his love for him. The musical, written by Andrew Lloyd Weber and Tim Rice, weaves its way through each dire situation that befalls Joseph. The Hunt Auditorium is at 32900 W. 13 Mile Road in Farmington Hills.

Farmington Hills. The group is organizing a Hanukkah table display and also working on community projects

such as teddy bears for children and butterfly pieces for a Texas exhibition. The group meets the second

Sunday of the month. For more information call Judy Galperin at (248) 661-5337.

MOMS meeting

7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 15, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, north of I-96, in Livonia. The group, which meets the first and third Tuesday of the month, focuses on devotions, topics pertaining to moms of school-age children, and Christian socializing. The book "Raising Great Kids" by Cloud and Townsend is the theme this year. For more information call Susan at (248) 478-3643.

Women's Bible studies

Women of the Word Bible Studies meets 9:15 a.m. or 6:45 p.m., Tuesdays, beginning Sept. 15 at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy, Canton. Five courses of study will be offered: Precept Ministries - Matthew Part 1, mornings and evenings; Precept Ministries - Revelation Part 1, mornings; Beth Moore - Believing God, mornings; Beth Moore - Wising Up, Wherever Life Happens, mornings; Jennifer Rothschild - Me, Myself, and Lies, evenings. Register at www.women.cbjoy.org or call Lee Anne Young at (734) 455-0022, Ext. 144.

Interfaith Journey classes

The series starts Sunday, Sept. 13 at Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington, 25301 Halsted, Farmington Hills. Classes meet at 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. and will be grouped into grades K-5, 6-8 and 9-12 with age specific education materials for all. The program complements the mission of UUCF Religious Education of teaching youth inclusion, compassion and peace and provides the environment to live and learn in a culturally diverse community. For more information on classes or to register visit www.uufarmington.org/uucf/re.htm, call Jennifer Teed at (248) 478-7272 or e-mail to dre@uufarmington.org.

SEPT. 17-23

Breakfast meeting

Bethany, a group for separated, divorced and singles, meets 9:30 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 19 at Leon's, 30149 Ford Road, next to Tim Horton's, in Garden City. For more information call Kathy M. at (734) 513-9479.

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Mass and fellowship

2:15 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 20, at St. Thomas a'Becket Church, 555 S. Lilley, just south of Cherry Hill, Canton. Aimed at widowed men and women. Includes refreshments and social time. Arrive by 2:15 p.m. Mass begins promptly at 2:30 p.m. Sponsored by Widowed Friends, a peer support group in the Detroit Metro area. Come and meet new friends in a safe, friendly setting. For more information call Pat at (734) 459-5508 or Justine at (734) 455-6939.

ENDOW

Pope John Paul II's Letter to Women, part of the ENDOW series, will run Monday, Sept. 21-Nov. 9, at St. Aidan Church, 17500 Farmington Road. ENDOW is a women's study group designed to help women discover their God-given dignity and femininity through the richness and authenticity of Catholic teaching. A second series, On The Christian Meaning of Suffering, runs Thursdays, Sept. 24-Nov. 12. Both series run 7-9 p.m. Register at www.endowonline.com. A \$60 registration fee is required for materials. For more information call Michelle Schmidt at (734) 367-0353 or e-mail to mtschmidt@sbcglobal.net.

Reconciliation

David J. Conrad will present a two-part series on the sacrament of confession, 7-9 p.m., Wednesdays, Sept. 23-30 in Bixman Hall at St. Aidan Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. Refreshments; free admission. RSVP to (734) 425-5950.

SEPT. 24-30

Health fair

9 a.m.-noon, Saturday, Sept. 26, at Livonia Church of Christ, 15431 Merriman, Livonia. Includes free bone density screening, free body fat analysis, cholesterol screening on site for \$12 per person with on site counseling regarding results, free blood pressure screening, massage therapy and other services. Call (734) 427-8743 for more information.

Movie

See "Fireproof" at 7 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 26 at Livonia Church of Christ, 15431 Merriman, Livonia. The screening is free and it's followed

by six weeks of free classes on Fireproofing Your Marriage, 7-8:30 p.m., Wednesdays, Sept. 30 - Nov. 4. Free Bible classes are available for children of all ages during the class. Call (734) 427-8743 for more information.

Grief recovery

Six-week series begins 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27, at Our Lady of Sorrows, 23815 Power, Farmington. Grief Recovery deals with loneliness and other issues related to the loss of a spouse. Members of Widowed Friends, a "peer" support group in the Detroit Metro area, will facilitate. \$20 fee covers all materials. For information or to register call Gail at (248) 477-5438.

ONGOING

AWANA

Every Wednesday night Faith Bible Church offers an AWANA program for children from kindergarten through fifth grade at Faith Bible Church, 23414 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Drop children off or stay for a Bible study offered to parents from 7-8:30 p.m. For more information, call (248) 426-0096.

Classes/study

Antioch Preschool, an academic program complemented by Christian education, is now enrolling 3- and 4-year-old children for the 2009-2010 school year. A new toddler class is offered Thursdays from 1-3 p.m. Extended stay enrichment for 3's and 4's is offered Wednesdays - children bring their lunch and enjoy literacy activities until 3 p.m. Antioch Lutheran Church, celebrating its 50th year, is located at 13 Mile and Farmington Road in Farmington Hills. For information contact Sharon Detter, preschool director, at (248) 626-7906, Ext. 28, or e-mail to antiochpreschool@sbcglobal.net.

New Life Community Church, 42200 Tyler, Belleville, offers a jobs seminar, 8-9 a.m., Fridays, in a reading program for students in grades K-12 and martial arts instruction, both at 10 a.m., Sundays. (734) 846-4615

Orchard United Methodist Church, 30450 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills, is hosting a Tai Chi Class by Sam Purdy, Wu Style Tai Chi. This meditative form of Martial Arts is designed to reduce stress and is great for over-all health memory and balance. Everyone is welcome from beginning to experienced participants at any time. Classes continue every Monday. Cost per class depends on number of participants. For information or to reserve your space, call (248) 701-1587 or (248) 626-3620. Visit www.orchardumc.org for updates.

Adult and English as a Second Language literacy classes are available for those who want to improve reading, writing and English conversational skills. Open to age 18 and over. Trained tutors available for day or evening.

For information, call Merriman Road Baptist Church in Garden City at (734) 421-0472.

Leave your name and phone number and someone will contact you.

Scripture studies, from 7-8:30 p.m. Mondays in the lower level of Our Lady of Loretto Church, Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford. Call (313) 534-9000.

Learner's Bible study, 7 p.m., Mondays, in Room A101, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville. Call (248) 374-5920.

Learn Qigong, the ancient form of Chinese energetic medicine - a safe and effective way to rid the body of toxic pathogens and years of painful emotions - at Livonia Unity, 28660 Five Mile. Classes include: Monday movement Qigong, 7-8:30 p.m.; Thursday Qigong meditation, 10-11:15 a.m., and Friday Therapeutic Qigong, 7-8:30 p.m. Call (810) 813-4073 for more information or send e-mail to gary@energeticarts.org.

Bible study, 7 p.m., first and third Thursdays, at St. Michael the Archangel Church, located at the southwest corner of Plymouth and Hubbard Roads. The informal classes are open to all interested persons regardless of religious affiliation. To register, call (734) 261-

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CHRISTINE M. BAYER

Age 85. died August 29, 2009. Beloved wife of the late Helmut E. Bayer for 61 years. Loving mother of Katherine Bayer and Richard (Susan) Bayer. Dear grandmother of Christopher (Alice), Brian (Hope) and Adam (Leslie) Bayer. Great-grandmother of seven. Funeral service was held Wednesday 10am (in-state 9:30 am) at Salem United Church of Christ, 33424 Oakland Ave., Farmington, MI 48335 Visitation was held Tuesday 12-8 p.m. at THAYER-ROCK FUNERAL HOME, 33603 Grand River Ave., Farmington (1 blk w of Farmington Rd.). Memorial contributions may be made to Salem United Church of Christ or the American Heart Association. www.thayer-rock.com



ANNE LOUISE INGALL (KUHN)

Was born on Adams St. in Plymouth Oct. 2, 1922 & died in Plymouth Sunday, August 30, 2009. Anne spent her entire life in Plymouth & still lived in her home of 63+ years on Hartsough St. There was no better place on earth for her. She loved her home town. Anne worked her entire life with her first "real job" being at the Ford Phoenix Plant right here in Plymouth which was very unique back in 1942 as it was an all woman plant & they earned the same wage as men at that time. She was one of the "Rosie the Riveter" gals. She retired from Burroughs Corp., worked a few years at Plymouth K-Mart & then was the "Ticket Lady" at the Penn Theater until health issues forced her to retire at 80+ years old. She was an active member of the Plymouth VFW Auxiliary for many years. She was pretty much home bound the last couple years but still very much involved with her family. She especially loved cats, politics, her country & her home town. She was thankful in Nov. 2008 election. Anne was the last surviving child of 13 born to John & Hattie Kuhn of Plymouth. She is preceded in death by her husband, Dave Ingall, a daughter, Bonnie Jewell Crackel (Ingall), a granddaughter, Tammy Crackel, her sister, Inez Cramb, & brother, Chuck Kuhn. She is survived by her son, David Ingall & daughter, Marie (Norm) Long (VanEvery) both of Plymouth & her precious kitty, Patches; 7 Grandchildren: Mark (Carol) Wells, Michael Wells, Robert Wells, Anthony Wells, Jennifer (Ivan) Ortiz, Jim (Roxanne) Crackel & Scott (Wendy) Crackel. Also 14 Great Grandchildren: David, Steven, Emily, Whitney, Amber, Anne, Nick, Philip, Jessica Wells; Lexus & Jasmine Olds, Jim, Jessica & Chelsea Crackel and 6 Great Great Grandchildren. One nephew, Richard (Joan) Cramb & one niece, Judy (Dale) Shepherd; Dear Brother-in-law, Larry Ingall, & Sister-in-law, Harriet (Oliver) Ackerly of Florida. Visitation Friday, September 4th from 2pm-9pm and Saturday September 5th from 1pm until time of Memorial Service at 3pm from the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 South Main Street, Plymouth. Interment at Riverside Cemetery. Dave and Marie give thanks to God for his timing, mercy and love. Share your special thoughts and memories at www.schrader-howell.com.



JEAN C. ORTNER

July 2, 1939 - August 27, 2009. Beloved Wife of the late Richard. Dearest Mother of Greg Herbert, Lynne Herbert and Noelle Frederickson. Loving Grandmother of Kyle. Mrs. Ortner was Born in Parkersburg, WV, and graduated from West Virginia University. She was the owner of The Great Frame Up in Farmington Hills. Funeral Service was Monday at McCabe Funeral Home, 31950 W. 12 Mile Rd., Farmington Hills. Visitation was Sunday 4-7 p.m. Memorial Contributions may be made to the Disabled American Veterans. www.mccabefuneralhome.com

JEAN L. WELCH

Of Livonia, died Tuesday, September 1, 2009 in the loving care of her family. She was 86 years old. Mrs. Welch was preceded in death by her loving husband Robert Eadon Welch (d.1951). She is survived by her loving daughters Janet Welch (Ben Hare) and Jill Welch (Scott Potter) and grandchildren Andrew Eadon Harwel, Bryan Welch Potter, Mara Elliott Harwel, and Kristin Welch Potter. Graveside services to be held at Evergreen Cemetery, Brown City, Thursday, September 3, 2009, 12 Noon. For further information, please phone Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors in Milford at: 248.684.6645 or visit: www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com.

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ELIZABETH BUZA

Age 79, of Westland. Loving wife of the late Colman. Dearest mother of Juanita Buza Jensen, David J. (Cheryl) Buza and Russell B. (Cindy) Buza. Proud grandmother of five grandchildren: Nicholas, Brady, Casey, Dana and Erin. Loving sister of Gilbert (Bupps) Greaves. Visitation was on Wed at Vermeulen Funeral Home 980 N. Newburgh Rd., Westland (btwn Ford and Cherry Hill). A Funeral service on Thursday 10:00 AM at the funeral home. Interment Mt. Hope Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Angela Hospice 14100 Newburgh Rd., Livonia, MI 48154. To share a memory, please visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com.

Paying Tribute to the Life of Your Loved One

United Methodist Church goes whole hog for annual festival

Plymouth First United Methodist Church will get into the fall festival spirit with a little celebrating of its own Friday, Sept. 11.

Its second annual Hog and Corn Roast is open to the public and will start at 6 p.m., at the church, 45201 North Territorial, Plymouth Township.

"It's Fall Festival time in Plymouth, so we did ours on Friday night," said Liz Ramsay, church member.

Plymouth's Fall Festival starts at noon on Sept. 11, with most activities - including a taste fest, carnival, craft booths, live entertainment and more - scheduled for Sept. 12-13.

The church festival will offer lots of activities,

too. "There will be horseshoes and volleyball, ladder golf and we'll have a fire pit with storytelling around it," Ramsay said.

Last year the church served more than 100 meals, which included roasted pork, chicken and corn.

"Added to this year's lineup are homemade pies from the church ladies, We'll have additional people this year because we have a (wedding) rehearsal dinner that Friday."

For more information about the church's second annual Hog and Corn Roast, call (734) 453-5280.

- By Sharon Dargay

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1445, Ext. 200.
 ■ Bible talks, 4 p.m. Sundays at the Friendship Center, 1119 Newburgh, Westland. Call (734) 728-9157.
 ■ Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Livonia invites adults with developmental disabilities and special needs to attend a new Open Arms Bible class the second Monday of the month at the church, 34567 Seven Mile, between Farmington and Newburgh roads, Livonia. The class will include songs, Bible lessons, crafts and activities, prayer, snacks and fun. Contact Judy Cook at Emmanuel, (248) 442-8822 or e-mail to elc-ed@arounddetroit.biz.
 ■ Tuesday Ladies Bible Study from 9:30-11:15 a.m. Tuesdays, at Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty, north of Eight Mile. \$15 registration fee includes interdenominational study materials. Child care available for children through age 5. Call (248) 348-7600.
 ■ A study/discussion group focuses on relationship with God and that of other religious groups and philosophical and scientific issues that might impact faith, at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 26701 Joy. A group at 10:30 a.m., Thursday examines early writings not included in the Bible as well as other versions, extensions and controversies concerning Christianity. Led by interim pastor Larry Hoxey. (313) 274-3820.
Concerts
 ■ Rush Hour concert series continues every Tuesday with gathering and refreshments at 5 p.m., concert 5:30-6 p.m., featuring performances by local and national jazz artists at Metropolitan United Methodist Church, 8000 Woodward, Detroit. Free. Visit www.metroumc.org.
Fellowship dinner
 Dinners will resume Sept. 17 at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Cost is \$8. Dinners are at 6 p.m., Thursdays. Call (313) 534-7730.
Films

10 a.m. Wednesday Kids Matinees and 4 p.m., Saturday family movie, at Kenwood Church of Christ, 20200 Merriman, Livonia. Guitar Praise game precedes the film on Saturday. Children in second grade or younger can play prior to the film; those in third grade and up can play after the movie. Pizza will also be served following the movie. All events are free. (248) 476-8222
Hall rental
 ■ Volkmar Hall located in Good Hope Lutheran Church, 28600 Cherry Hill, between Inkster and Middlebelt roads, Garden City, is available for rent. For information, call (734) 427-3660.
 ■ St. James Presbyterian, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. For information call the church at (313) 534-7730
Prayer
 ■ Music, singing, prayer at 7 p.m. Thursdays at St. Edith Church, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. Enter through entrance #2, at the back of the church. For more information, call Grace at (734) 464-1896, Shirley at (734) 464-3656, or Geri at (734) 464-8906.
 ■ 7 p.m. Wednesday, at Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. Participate in an open time of praying silently and aloud together as well as responding to personal requests. Call (248) 476-8860.
 ■ Parish prayer and Eucharistic Adoration, third Wednesday of each month at St. Michael's Church of Livonia, corner of Plymouth and Hubbard roads. The church will be open for worship from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. followed by Benediction service. For information, call (734) 261-1455.
 ■ 7-9 p.m. the first and third Tuesdays of the month for prayer, spiritual healing and outreach at Good Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church, 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City. Call (734) 427-3660.
Singles
 ■ Single Point Ministries, for ages 30 and older, offers fellowship and related topics at 11:30 a.m., Sundays, in Knox Hall at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile,



Contemporary sounds

MercyMe, FEE, and Jonny Diaz, American contemporary Christian performers, will be in concert at NorthRidge Church in Plymouth Township at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15. Tickets are \$30 (artist circle) and \$25 reserved seating. Tickets are on sale. Call (734) 414-7777 or go to northridgechurch.com NorthRidge is at 49555 N. Territorial (southwest corner of North Territorial and North Ridge,, south of M-14 and west of Beck Road).

Northville. Coffee, doughnuts, conversation. Call (248) 374-5920. Tennis continues from 1-5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, and 4-7 p.m. weekdays any time the weather is above 45 degrees, at Rotary Park, Six Mile and Hubbard, Livonia. Walking club meets at 6 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday in the Single Point office. All fitness levels welcome.
 ■ Single Place Ministry continues to meet Thursdays 7:30-7:45 p.m. for social time, 7:45-8 p.m. opening, 8-9 p.m. program, at First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main St., Northville. Call (248) 349-0911 or visit www.singleplace.org. Cost is \$5.
Soup kitchen
 Learn about the Capuchin Soup Kitchen and the Solanus Casey Center in Detroit by participating in its "Day of Service" program. Dine with guests at the soup kitchen, tour the Earth Works urban garden, and take a self-guided tour of the

Solanus Casey Center, a spirituality center dedicated to the Capuchin friar who is credited with miraculous cures and valued for his wise and compassionate counsel. The minimum age is seventh grade and the maximum size of the group is 30. The day starts at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 2:30 p.m. There is no cost. Lunch included. For information, send e-mail to ccrane@thecapuchins.org. To learn more about the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, visit www.cskdetroit.org.
Support
 ■ A weekly drop-in Food Cupboard (nonperishable items) is available 10 a.m. to noon Saturday mornings at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 16360 Hubbard, Livonia. There are no requirements, this a service the church wants the community to be aware of and utilize if needed. Donations of nonperishable items also accepted for the cupboard.

■ Are you or someone you know struggling with depression, divorce, grief, addiction, relationship difficulties, or job loss? Real Life Church through its volunteers and partnerships with area ministries and professionals provides classes, seminars, care, support & recovery groups, counseling, and prayer to help you get through life challenges. Visit the Web site for details on current classes and groups offered as well as location, days and times www.realifeplymouth.com.
 ■ The Clothing Bank has moved to a new location west of Canton Christian Fellowship. Free clothing (men, women and children) for those in need is available 10 a.m. to noon the fourth Saturday of each month, at 41711 Joy Rd. Call (734) 404-2480, visit www.CantonCF.org or send e-mail to info@cantoncf.org for information.
 ■ Overeaters Anonymous

meets 7 p.m. Thursdays in the Courtyard Room at Unity of Livonia Church, 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster roads, Livonia, and 7 p.m. Sundays, in Classroom 1 at the Marion Professional Building at St. Mary's Hospital, 14555 Levan at Five Mile, Livonia. (313) 387-9797. www.oa.org
 ■ St. John's Support Group for the Caregiver's of Alzheimer's patients or patients with other forms of dementia meets at 10 a.m., the first and third Friday of each month at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth. Respite care is provided. Call Connie McNutt at (734) 895-1426. This group is authorized by the Alzheimer's Association.
 ■ Take Off Pounds Sensibly, meets at 7 p.m. every Thursday at St. Thomas a' Becket Church, 555 S. Lilley, Canton. Weigh-in is 6:15-6:55 p.m. for this weight support group that encourages members to lose weight and keep it off. Call Margaret at (734) 838-0322.
 ■ Western Oakland Parkinson Support Group meets 7-9 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month except January, July and August, at Farmington Hills Baptist Church, 28301 Middlebelt, between 12 Mile and 13 Mile. Enter at rear of church. For information, call (248) 433-1011.
 ■ Addiction No More offers support for addictive behavior problems, drugs, alcohol, overeating, gambling, 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday in Room 202 at Detroit World Outreach, 23800 W. Chicago, Redford. For more information, call (313) 255-2222, Ext. 244.
 ■ Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Northville offers Celebrate Recovery, a recovery program helping men and women find freedom from hurts, habits and hang-ups (addictive and compulsive behaviors), meets every Friday for 6 p.m. dinner (optional), 7 p.m. praise and worship, 8 p.m. small group discussion, 9 p.m. Solid Rock Cafe (optional coffee and desserts). Child care is free, available by calling (248) 374-7400. Visit www.celebraterecovery.com and www.wardchurch.org/celebrate.

Your Invitation to Worship

<p>CATHOLIC</p>	<p>UNITED METHODIST</p>	<p>PRESBYTERIAN (U.S.A.)</p>	<p>LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSOURI SYNOD</p>
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<p>St Genevieve Roman Catholic Church St. Genevieve School - PreK-8 29015 Jamison • Livonia • 734-427-5220 (East of Middlebelt, between 5 Mile & Jeffries) MASS: Tues. 7 p., Wed., Thurs. 9 a., Sat. 4 p., Sun 11a St. Maurice Roman Catholic Church 32765 Lyndon • Livonia • 734-522-1616 (between Merriman & Farmington Roads) MASS: Mon. 8:30 a, Fri. 8:30 a, Sat. 6 p., Sun 9a</p>	<p>NEWBURG UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 175 Years "On the Trail" 36500 Ann Arbor Trail between Wayne & Newburgh Rds. 734-422-0149 Worship Service and Sunday School @ 9:15 am Rev. Marsha M. Woolley Deacon Paul Perez Visit our website: www.newburgumc.org</p>	<p>ROSEDALE GARDENS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA) 9601 Hubbard at W. Chicago, Livonia, MI (between Merriman & Farmington Rds.) (734) 422-0494 Friends in Faith Service 9:00 am Traditional Service 10:30 am Visit www.rosedalegardens.org For information about our many programs</p>	<p>GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSOURI SYNOD 25630 GRAND RIVER at BEECH DALY 313-532-2266 REDFORD TWP. Worship Service 9:15 & 11:00 A.M. Sunday School 9:15 & 11:00 A.M. Nursery Provided The Rev. Timothy P. Halboth, Senior Pastor The Rev. Dr. Victor F. Halboth, Assistant Pastor</p>
<p>CHURCHES OF THE NAZARENE</p>	<p>ORCHARD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 30450 Farmington Road • Farmington Hills www.orchardumc.org 248-626-3620 Worship: 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Childrens Education provided during both services Pastors: Carol J. Johns, Jim Braid, Margo Dexter</p>	<p>GREEK ORTHODOX</p>	<p>LUTHERAN CHURCH WISCONSIN SYNOD</p>
<p>PLYMOUTH CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 45891 W. Ann Arbor Road • (734) 453-1525 Sunday School - 9:45 A.M. Sunday Worship - 11:00 A.M. Sunday Evening - 6:00 P.M. Family Night - Wed. 7:00 P.M. NEW HORIZONS FOR CHILDREN LEARNING CENTER (734) 455-3196</p>	<p>PRESBYTERIAN</p>	<p>NATIVITY OF THE VIRGIN MARY GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH 39851 West Five Mile, Plymouth Twp., MI Sunday Services Matins 8:30 am, Divine Liturgy 10:00 am Rev. Fr. George Vapouris Parish Office 734-420-0131 Office Hours M-F 10:00 am - 2:00 pm www.nativitygochurch.org</p>	<p>EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN</p>
<p>LUTHERAN-ELCA</p>	<p>Fellowship Presbyterian Church Adult Sunday School: 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. • Worship: 10:30 a.m. Childrens Sunday School: 10:30 a.m. Pastor: Dr. Jimmy McGuire Services held at: Saint Andrews Episcopal Church 16360 Hubbard Road in Livonia • South of Six Mile Road Nursery provided • www.fellowship-presbyterian.org</p>	<p>WARD Evangelical Presbyterian Church 40000 Six Mile Road "just west of I-275" Northville, MI 248-374-7400 Traditional Worship 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 A.M. Contemporary Worship 9:30 & 11:00 A.M. Nursery & Sunday School During the 9:30 & 11:00 Hours Evening Service • 7:00 p.m. Service Broadcast 11:00 A.M. Sunday WRDT-AM 560 The WMUZ Word Station For additional information visit www.wardchurch.org</p>	<p>St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church & School 17810 FARMINGTON ROAD, LIVONIA (734) 261-1360 WORSHIP SERVICES SUNDAY: 8:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M. THURSDAY: 8:30 P.M. website: www.stpaulslivonia.org</p>
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<p>Timothy Lutheran Church A Reconciling in Christ Congregation 8820 Wayne Rd. (Between Ann Arbor Trail & Joy Road) Livonia • 427-2290 Jill Heather, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Family Worship (Nursery Available)</p>	<p>For Information regarding this Directory, please call Donna Hart at 734-582-8342 or e-mail: dhart@dnps.com</p>		

Auditions slated for models, singers

Want to model? How about sing? Or appear in films?

Two audition opportunities and a series of classes can get you closer to your goal.

If you're interested in fashion modeling, head to the open casting call today, Thursday, Sept. 3, at Stage 3 Productions, 27500 Donald Court in Warren. Sessions run noon-4 p.m. and 5-9 p.m. and are open to both men and women ages 14-30. No previous runway experience is required.

Women must be within 5 feet 8 inches and 5 feet 11 inches tall. Men must be between 5 feet 11 inches and 6 feet 3 inches tall. Models must attend the open call with a headshot and a full-body photo, although they need not be professional prints.

Women should wear a skirt, form-fitting top and high heels, while men should come dressed in fitted jeans and a fitted shirt. In addition to their headshot, models will be asked to fill out their sizes before the audition. Models selected at

the open call must attend a call back on the afternoon of Sept. 8 at The iGroup in Southfield. The finalist will be awarded spots on the runway for Fashion In Detroit and a one-year contract with The iGroup.

Fashion in Detroit will celebrate the work of national and local designers. Created by Joe Paris, Season 5 top-six finalist of Bravo's hit series Project Runway, the two-day inaugural event is positioned as the highlight between the New York and Los Angeles Fashion Weeks. The show will be held at the Detroit Zoo, 1-6 p.m., Oct. 1-2. For more about the event, visit www.fashionindetroit.com. For more about The iGroup, visit www.theigroup.com

Singers in grades 6-12, can learn new singing skills, make new friends and perform publicly through the Farmington Hills Youth Choir.

This year, the Youth Choir will rehearse and perform with the renowned Detroit Chamber Winds & Strings musicians at their "Holiday Brass" concert, and also

perform at the State Capitol in Lansing.

Brian Christian, who holds a master's degree in music from the University of Michigan, directs the choir. He also teaches in Farmington Public Schools.

Fall auditions will be held Wednesday, Sept. 16 at the Longacre House, 24705 Farmington Road. Open auditions will be held from 6:30-7:30 p.m.; scheduled auditions will be earlier, from 5-6:30 p.m. Appointments for auditions can be made by calling the Cultural Arts Division at (248) 473-1857. Rehearsals will be held 4:30-6 p.m. Wednesdays, Sept. 23-Dec. 16, 4:30.

For younger singers, the new Farmington Hills Choraliers offers a non-audition opportunity for children in grades 2-5. This program will introduce younger singers to vocal techniques, sight reading, solo and group singing, with a performance at the end of the season. The class meets 4:30-6 p.m., Mondays, Sept. 21-Dec. 14 at Longacre House. Registration for the Choraliers is now open. Call the Cultural Arts Division at

(248) 473-1857 for registration information.

Both the Choraliers and the Youth Choir are open to residents and non-residents, with non-residents required to pay an extra \$5 fee. Half-year membership is \$75; full-year membership (fall to spring) is \$125.

Wayne State University's College of Fine, Performing and Communication Arts is offering an intensive, "on your feet," workshop on auditioning for films. Auditioning for Feature, Commercial and Industrial Films provides 10 contact hours of coaching spread across four consecutive Saturdays and is offered Oct. 10, 17, 24 and 31.

Each Saturday, students perform mock auditions and receive coaching from professional actor and workshop instructor, Laurie Meeker (SAG/AFTRA/AEA).

"This is one-on-one training, rather than a group lecture setting," said Meeker. "Students gain effective techniques that enable them to prepare for and perform in professional film audi-

tions." Both sections of the workshop are open to a maximum of only 20 paid registrants.

"Getting cast in a professional film demands a considerably different approach and preparation than stage acting, namely the ability to present a skillful audition in 30 seconds," said CFPCA Associate Dean, Steve Peters. "This workshop is designed to provide that training, a how-to course in auditioning for three different kinds of job opportunities in the southeast Michigan market, feature films, commercials and industrial films."

Registration for Auditioning is \$195 (non-refundable), payable via credit card (with valid ID) or exact dollar amount in cash, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday-Friday at Wayne State University's CFPCA Linsell House (under Buildings at campusmap.wayne.edu). Registrations are being accepted on a first-paid, first-served basis. Payment deadline is Oct. 5. For more information contact David Romas at ac2942@wayne.edu or (313) 577-5448.

Monthly 'slam' open to wanna-be storytellers

If you have the gift of gab, check out WDET Detroit Public Radio's monthly Detroit Moth StorySLAM and put your storytelling skills to work.

You'll get a chance to tell your five-minute story — no notes scripts or cheat sheets allowed — on stage and possibly on the radio if your name is one of 10 randomly pulled from a hat at the monthly performance.

StorySLAMs will be held on the first Thursday of each month at Cliff Bells, 2030 Park in Detroit. Storytellers must share a tale based on true-life experience and on the evening's theme. Upcoming themes are firsts for Oct. 1, blunders for Nov. 5 and cars for Dec. 3.

After each story, three teams of judges, chosen from the audience, give a score. The teller with the highest score goes on to compete in the Detroit GrandSLAM alongside nine other local slam winners.

The Moth is a non-profit organization dedicated to the art of storytelling. Since its inception in 1997,

countless people have listened to more than 3,000 stories told by people from all walks of life, from Moby, Sam Shepard, Ethan Hawke, and Lili Taylor to a fire fighter, pickpocket, and a hot dog-eating champion. Interest in The Moth's concept continues to grow, with sold-out crowds for every event in New York and Los Angeles.

Tickets for the Detroit StorySLAMs are \$5 at the door. Doors open at 7 p.m. and stories start at 7:30 p.m.

The Moth Radio Hour, a limited-run radio series featuring storytellers recorded at Moth events, will air on WDET, 101.9 FM, in the weeks leading up to the StorySLAM's Detroit debut. Listen for it at 7 p.m. Fridays, starting Sept. 4 and 4 p.m. Saturdays, starting Sept. 5. The series will be rebroadcast the week of the StorySLAM debut — Sept. 28-Oct. 2 — at 7 p.m.

For detailed guidelines on how to participate at a MothSLAM, either as a storytelling contestant or a judge, go to www.themoth.org/storyslams_particpate.

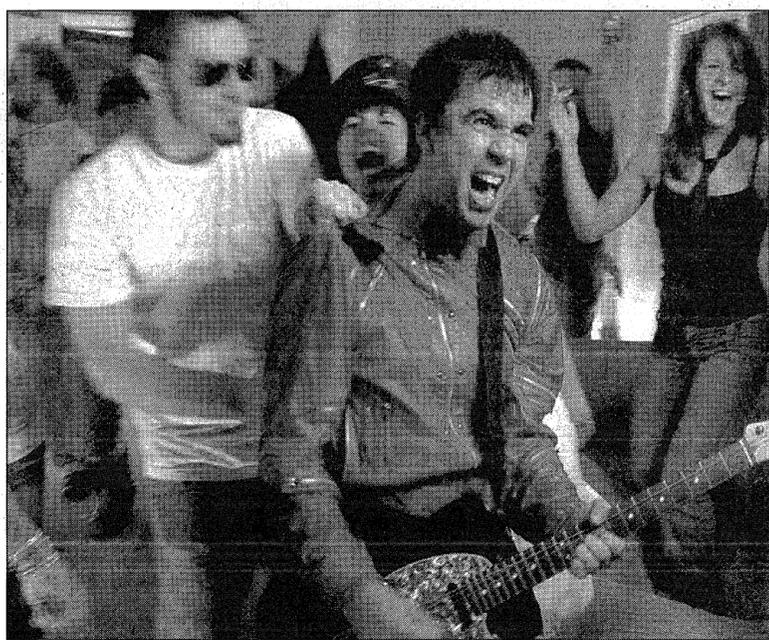
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"Offering the use of your home, land or business as a location can be fun and profitable," said Michael Grabemeyer, locations manager of the Michigan Film Office. "We are growing an exciting new industry in Michigan and this is one way that an average citizen can get involved."

The Film Office approves all submissions before posting them on the Web site, and reserves the right to withhold or correct any submissions. There is no guarantee that a submission will be used. For questions, call (800) 477-3456, fax (517) 241-0867 or e-mail info@michigan.org.



Rockin' weekend

Guitarist JTX is among the musicians performing at the four-day Arts, Beats and Eats festival this weekend in downtown Pontiac. The event includes musical performances, including appearances by Candlebox and Joan Jett and the Blackhearts, a cafe featuring Michigan-inspired menu items, children's activities and a juried fine arts show. Hours are 11 a.m.-11 p.m., Friday, Sept. 4, 11 a.m.-11 p.m., Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 5-6 and 11 a.m.-8 p.m., Monday, Sept. 7. For more information, visit www.artsbeatsseats.com or call (248) 334-4600.

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- ART**
- Detroit Artist Market**
Time/Date: Sept. 11-Oct. 17
Location: 4719 Woodward Avenue, in the Detroit Cultural Center
Details: "Landscape - A Modern Sequel" with works by Yoriko Cronin, Andrew Krieger, Nicole Macdonald, Catherine Peet, George Rahme, and Corine Smith. Meet the artists at a reception, 6-9 p.m., Sept. 11. Free
Contact: (313) 832-8540 or visit www.detroitartistsmarket.org
- Eastern Michigan University**
Time/Date: Elements of Photography, Sept. 3-Oct. 2, Coping with the Unknown, Sept. 8-Oct. 2
Location: Photography in the University Art Gallery, 900 Oakwood on EMU's Ypsilanti campus; Coping in the Ford Gallery, in Ford Hall, north of Cross Street at Normal Street on EMU campus
Details: Photography exhibit features work of nationally and internationally acclaimed photographers. Artist reception is 4-6 p.m., Sept. 9. Coping shows the work of Joe Meiser and Adrian Hatfield. Artist reception is 4-6 p.m., Sept. 10.
Contact: (734) 487-0465 or e-mail to jljockel@emich.edu
Farmington Hills City Gallery
Time/Date: "Studies of Place and Views of Space" through Sept. 25
Location: Costick Center at 28600 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills
Details: Works by Rachel Reynolds and Robert Zahorsky
Contact: (248) 473-1856
Holocaust Memorial Center
Time/Dates: 4-6 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 6, wine and cheese reception for "Portraits of Zinkov," an exhibit of compelling paintings by Alan Zola Schulman
Location: 28123 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills
Details: The portraits in this eight-week exhibit are based on the "Zinkover Memorial Book," a collection of Yiddish and Hebrew narratives with low-quality black and white photographs from the town of Zinkov, Ukraine
Contact: (248) 553-2400, ext. 23
Livonia City Hall
Time/Dates: 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sept. 2-30
Location: On Five Mile, just east of Farmington Road, in Livonia
Details: The Livonia Artist Club exhibits paintings, colored pencil, collage, pastels and photography of approximately 25 artists; the club meets at 7 p.m., the third Monday of the month at the Civic Center Library in Livonia
Contact: For more information call Doree Dziobak at (734) 416-1774
Lotus Arts Gallery
Location: 995 West Ann Arbor Trail, downtown Plymouth
- Northville Art House**
Time/Date: Sept. 4-20, Northville Camera Club Exhibit, "A Moment in Time;" opening reception 6-9 p.m., Friday, Sept. 4
Location: 215 W. Cady Street, downtown Northville
Coming up: See plein air artists painting 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 19, in the Art House Gardens
Contact: (248) 344-0497, or visit www.northvillearts.org
Village Theater at Cherry Hill
Time/Date: 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday-Friday, Sept 2-27
Location: 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton
Details: Private collection of 19th century paintings on display; wine and cheese reception 6-8 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 10 with collectors David and Judy Johnson of Washtenaw County Contact: (734) 394-5300 or visit www.canton-mi.org/villagetheater
- BENEFITS**
- Dawn Farm Jamboree
Time/Date: 1-6 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 13
Location: Dawn Farm, 6633 Stoney Creek Road, Ypsilanti
Details: Free admission. Proceeds for the farm that helps recovering alcoholics and drug addicts, raised through an auction, gift tables and sales. Live music by NoteWorthy, hayrides, pony rides, rock climbing wall, children's tent, chair massages, farm tours, live and silent auctions, vendors, food and beverages. Farm fresh eggs available for purchase
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Contact: (248) 327-0575; www.gocomedy.net
JD's House of Comedy
Time/Date: Various show times Wednesday-Saturday evenings
Location: 25333 W. 12 Mile, inside Star Theatre complex, Southfield
Details: Stand-up shows, 8 p.m. Thursday and 8 p.m., 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday; Apollo amateur night, 8 p.m. Wednesday
Contact: (248) 348-2420 or www.ticketmaster.com
Jazz Cafe at Music Hall
Time/Date: 9 p.m. third Thursdays
Location: 350 Madison Ave., Detroit
Details: Show Up, and Go Up, open call, free
Contact: (313) 887-8532, www.jazzcafedetroit.com



Learn about baking with fruit at farmer's market

BY SHARON DARGAY
O&E STAFF WRITER

Shirley Chrisman has a surefire method for removing peach skin.

"When I peel peaches, to make easier, I hold them under hot running water for a few seconds. The peel will come off easier," said Chrisman, who works in the bakery and store at Kapnick Orchards, south of Tecumseh.

"Peaches are at their peak. We have wonderful peaches for baking, canning, cobblers, anything."

Kapnick is among the farms, greenhouses and orchards that sell fresh produce and plants at Garden City Farmer's Market from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. every Wednesday.

This Wednesday, Sept. 9, a representative from Kapnick Orchards will offer a seminar in "using fresh fruits in baking" at 10:30 a.m. at the market, located in the Garden City Town Center Plaza, Ford Road and Middlebelt. Market shoppers can bring a lawn chair and join the outdoor class.

Although Chrisman isn't scheduled to teach the session, she has a few tips of her own on using fresh fruit.

"You want it to be fresh and you want it to be ripe. Most peaches, when you buy

them, aren't ripe yet. They need to set out room temperature on newspaper and ripen."

She said peaches are perfect now for use in jams and jellies. She prefers freezer jam because little cooking is required.

"You just take your fruit and peel it and cut it up. You can mash it. I put it in the blender," she noted. "And then you need Sure-Jell. You stir the peaches in a bowl with sugar, add boiling water to the Sure-Jell mix and stir the Sure-Jell into the fruit. It makes the best strawberry and peach jam. Even cherry jam. It tastes like the fruit itself."

"I just put it in jars in freezer but you can put it in plastic containers."

Her recipe calls for two pounds of peaches, washed, peeled and cut into small pieces, four cups of sugar and one box of Sure-Jell. The sugar is stirred into the mashed two cups of fruit and allowed to stand for 20 minutes. The Sure-Jell mix goes into a cup of boiling water.

"You stir it constantly and then stir it into the fruit and sugar mix for three minutes."

She allows the mixture to cool off for 23 hours before packing it into freezer containers.

Garden City Farmer's Market is open Wednesdays through Oct. 28. Here's a

list of a few other local farm markets:

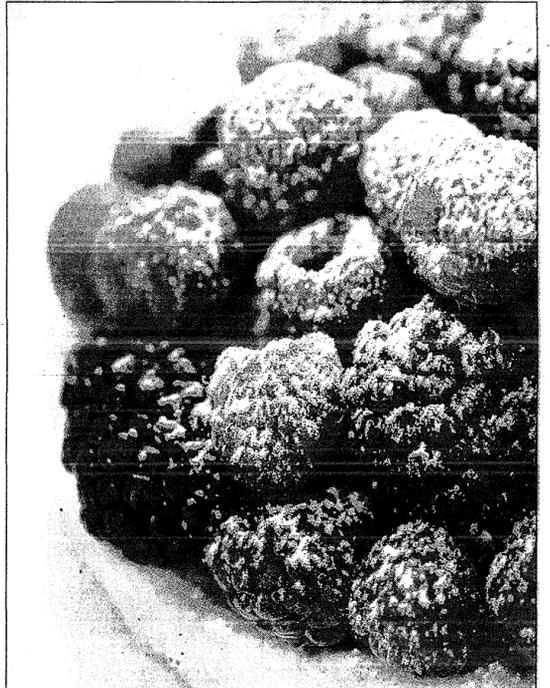
- 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday, through Oct. 25, 500 N. Ridge Road in Canton. Home grown foods and hand-made goods, including vegetables, fruits, herbs, bulbs, grains, meats, plants, honey, syrup and more. (734) 398-5570 ext.5

- 7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Saturdays. Season ends in October. Located at The Gathering across from Kellogg Park, next to the Penn Theatre in downtown Plymouth. Fruits and vegetables, cut flowers, plants, fresh bread, baked goods and garden crafts. Most vendors are Michigan growers and producers. (734) 453-1540

- 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturdays, through Oct. 10, at Wilson Barn, 29350 W. Chicago Road, Livonia. Fruits, vegetables, flowers, jewelry, handmade crafts, bamboo plants, garden art, homemade honey and more. www.wilsonbarn.com

- 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Sundays through Sept. 27, at the Marquee, located in the town hall complex, 15145 Beech Daly, Redford. (313) 387-2771

- 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturdays, through Nov. 21, at the Sundquist Pavilion in Riley Park, located on Grand River Ave., between Power and Farmington Road, in downtown Farmington. www.downtownfarmington.org



CITY BITES

Dine & Dash

Garden City — Visit Amantea's Restaurant, Sports Venue Bar & Grill Albert's on the Alley, Rogala's and McDonald's all in one night during the 5th annual Dine & Dash, 6-10 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 15.

Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$10 for children under 10 years, \$18 for senior citizens and \$75 for a party of four and include a souvenir Dine & Dash shirt that doubles as your "ticket" for the evening.

Participants will take bus transportation to visit all of the participating restaurants, which will serve free appetizers and in some cases offer live entertainment.

The event is a sell-out every year. To order tickets, call the Chamber of Commerce office at (734) 422-4448.

Festival foods

Plymouth — If the phrase "all you can eat" is your siren's song, you won't want to miss the 4th Annual AM Rotary Spaghetti Dinner 4-8 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 12 in the northeast corner of Kellogg Park, during Plymouth's annual Fall Festival. Eat at the "Italian Street Cafe" in the park and enjoy the music while dining or carry out. Tickets are \$8 in advance at C. L. Finlan Insurance, Monroe Bank in Plymouth, New Liberty Bank, the Plymouth Symphony Offices, and Travel Leaders in the Kroger Shopping Center. Or \$9 at the door. Kids 2-12 pay \$4. Kids under 2 eat for free. Call Kate Rosevear at (734) 455-5810 for tickets or more information.

Make sure to leave room for the Rotary Club's Annual Chicken

BBQ on Sunday, Sept. 13 at the park. The club will fire up the grills from 11 a.m.-5 p.m., serving in the park and sending take-out orders from West Middle School, 44401 Ann Arbor Trail. Advance tickets are \$10, available from Horton Plumbing, 1382 W. Main Street. Or buy tickets on-site for \$12 from Rotary Ticket Booths located at Ann Arbor Trail and Main Street and Penniman and Main Street.

If pancakes are your preference, head the Kiwanis Club's annual breakfast, 7-11:30 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 12, across from Kellogg Park and next to the Penn Theatre in downtown Plymouth. Pay \$5 in advance or \$6 on site at the festival ticket booth on Main at Penniman. Call Jim Grutza at (734) 216-2858 for advance tickets.

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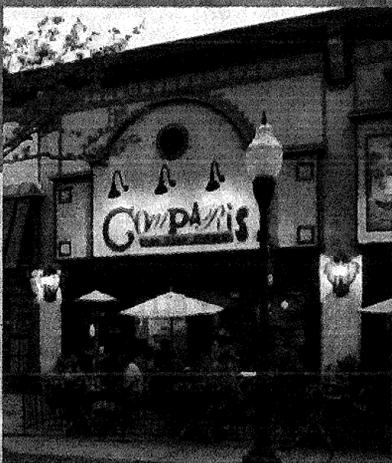
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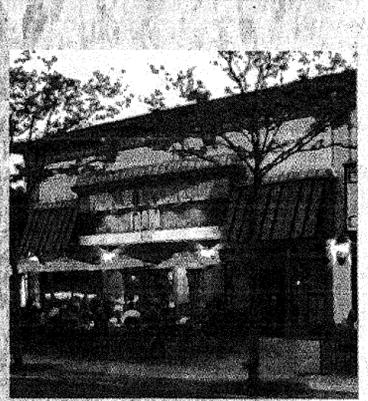


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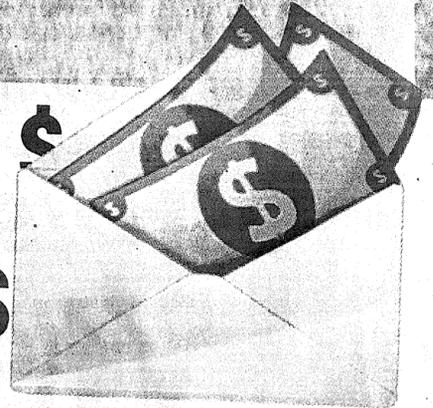
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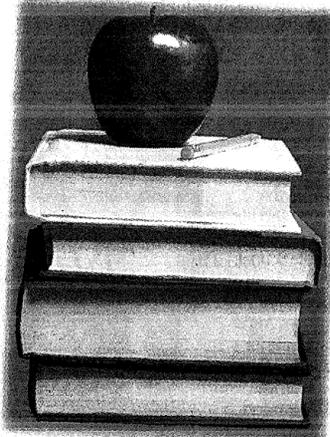
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Preservation Wayne has friends beyond Detroit

BY JULIE BROWN
O&E STAFF WRITER

Tiger Stadium in Detroit may be long gone, but members of Preservation Wayne believe in saving the city's other historic buildings. They have a lot of allies from Detroit's suburbs.

"Oh, definitely," said Karen Nagher, executive director of Preservation Wayne. "More than 50 percent of them are (suburban dwellers). The memories, for one thing."

Founded in 1975, Preservation Wayne's mission is to preserve, promote and protect neighborhoods and buildings that define Detroit's character. The group began as a campus organization at Wayne State University, and has been an independent corporation since 1988.

Redford resident Nagher noted suburban dwellers often grew up in the city, or their parents did. "The architecture's definitely part of it." The Saturday morning and Tuesday evening tours draw well, including some folks in their 50s who may move back downtown.

"They don't have to drive out to, say, Rochester" after attending city events, she said of those who may take a small condo in the city. The condo can be used by friends as well.

"There's a lot going on in Detroit," said Nagher. Members and staff are proud of the Honor Award of the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

The membership, volunteers and staff address issues of urban planning and historic rehabilitation through many services and activities. The best known are the Detroit Heritage Tours including the city's Historic Theater District, downtown, Eastern Market, the Midtown area, New Center, Auto Heritage and Cultural Center.

Tours provide historic information and offer stories on what makes Detroit unique. They also address issues of current development in Detroit. Tours were named the "Best Walking Tours in Detroit" by *Metro Times* in 2003.

The recent annual theater tour filled up, included many repeat visitors, Nagher said. The tour includes the Fox,

Fillmore (former State), former Oriental, Michigan (now a parking garage), Opera House where lunch is also served, Music Hall, and the Gem Century, a small theater by Hockeytown.

The group also does Fisher Building tours including its theater, depending on the status of stage productions. "The Fisher Building is a beautiful place," she said.

The organization is doing some custom tours, with components of each tour. Some groups have their own buses.

Preservation Works! workshop forums are often presented on historic rehabilitation and adaptive use to help put "unemployed" buildings back to work. Workshops are produced in partnership with banks, development firms, planning organizations and city agencies.

Preservation Wayne has worked with the Detroit Public Schools' Art Centered Education and is doing more with students, she said.

Members and staff have participated with the Michigan Opera Theatre's Learning at the Opera House series, and cooperate with other organizations sharing common interests, such as Friends of the Book Cadillac (and now-gone Madison-Lenox Hotels), Detroit Synergy, and the Detroit Metro Convention and Visitor's Bureau. Nagher also cites the University Cultural Center Association, which focuses on the Midtown area.

Preservation Wayne is going through some struggles growing its membership, Nagher said, with nearly 400 households and businesses as members. "We can always use more volunteers." Volunteers don't just lead tours, but also help with office work, publicity, Web site and more. "There's plenty going on here."

Preservation Wayne's internship program offers training in the many aspects of historic preservation management. The organization's services and benefits include a referral service of restoration specialists and suppliers and assistance for historic renovation projects.

An annual awards event honors outstanding projects, organizations and people in the city's historic development community.



The splendor of 1920s Detroit has been re-created in the Venetian Ballroom of the Westin Book Cadillac hotel in downtown Detroit. The Venetian is in the location of the hotel's original Grand Ballroom and looks much the same way as it did when the hotel opened in 1924.



Few preservation battles in Detroit have reached the level of the failed attempt to save a corner of Tiger Stadium.

Nagher worked for NBD in training and development, and the bank was the primary sponsor of an arts festival at that time. She learned of decent opportunities. "I jumped at that and that was it."

That was some 20 years ago. The organization's been

in its current building some 34 years. It began as a Wayne State University grassroots effort of students to save that building when an apartment building went in next door.

The house was saved and an organization grew. "That's the whole thing about old buildings, adaptive reuse," she

said. "There's some good stuff going on around here."

Preservation Wayne is governed by a volunteer board of directors and is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation.

Offices are located in one of the hands-on restoration projects, the historic David Mackenzie House, home of the founder of Wayne State University. It is at 4735 Cass Ave., Detroit 48202. The phone is (313) 577-3559, the fax (313) 577-7666, the Web site www.preservationwayne.org.

Revenue sources for Preservation Wayne are membership dues; private, corporate and foundation donations; fees for services, workshops and tours; the annual auction and awards dinner; and merchandise sales. The organization partners with others on legislation, she added.

Nagher's home is from the early 1950s, and she noted those buildings, including commercial ones, are now on the cusp for historic preservation.

Condo mortgage standards stricter

Q: I am a new developer of a condominium and I am wondering what the recent changes are regarding rules on condominium loans.

A: Recently, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac have tightened standards for mortgages on new condominiums. In March of 2009, Fannie Mae said it would no longer guarantee mortgages on condominiums and buildings where fewer than 70 percent of the units have been sold, which was up from 51 percent. Fannie Mae also won't purchase mortgages



Robert Meisner

in buildings where 15 percent of owners are delinquent on condominium association dues or while one owner has more than 10 percent of the units.

Freddie Mac has apparently implemented similar procedures. Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac have also boosted fees on mortgages for condominiums. Buyers without a minimum of 25 percent down payment have to pay closing cost fees equal to 0.75 percent of their loan, regardless of their credit score. However, Fannie Mae said it would drop that fee in August 2009 for cooperative apartments and detached condominiums. Obviously, it is important to check with your lending institution before you commence construction.

These new rules make it even more important than ever to vigorously enforce collection policies in every community association. FHA requirements should also be reviewed.

Q: We are a first-time homebuyer, and are wondering if we can take the tax credit on the purchase of our principal residence through the use of a land contract?

A: Although it is not certain, the provision of the Internal Revenue Code in question defines a "purchase" to which the credit applies as "any acquisition" with certain exceptions that are not relevant. Under Michigan law, a land contract is an acquisition since the purchaser gets equitable title to the property. The courts in Michigan have also found that the rights accruing to holders of equitable title in Michigan are substantially the same as rights granted to fee title holders. For example, equitable title obtained pursuant to a land contract by a vendee can be bought, sold or mortgaged by the vendee. You are best advised, of course, to get an opinion from your CPA or tax attorney.

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

HOMES SOLD-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded May 26-29, 2009, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

8733 Buffalo Dr	\$105,000	1130 Concord Ct	\$104,000	1053 Hickory Hill Dr	\$237,000	28202 Chesapeake Cir	\$120,000
4800 Fairgrove Ln	\$242,000	Novi		3840 Hidden Creek Ct	\$190,000	2148 Hidden Meadows Dr	\$30,000
1975 Four Oaks	\$137,000	43026 Ashbury Dr	\$350,000	645 Langley Rd	\$525,000	103 Sandy Ln	\$170,000
4532 Marcello Dr	\$182,000	41949 Borchard Dr	\$300,000	415 Meadow Ln	\$78,000		
8450 Pine Cove Dr	\$195,000	21729 Chase Dr	\$339,000	3722 Winding Brook Cir	\$200,000		
		50861 Drakes Bay Dr	\$605,000				
		23150 Inverness Ct	\$476,000	South Lyon		1242 Bielby St	\$91,000
		22210 Pondview	\$72,000	26781 Daria Cir E	\$80,000	3816 Covert Rd	\$270,000
		24166 Trafalgar Ct	\$400,000	26140 Daria Cir W	\$80,000	4225 Farmer Ave	\$5,000
		22734 Waycroft Dr	\$300,000	22200 Quail Run Cir	\$110,000	310 Leota Blvd	\$36,000
				1030 Shelland Dr	\$200,000		
						West Bloomfield	
						6636 Alderley Way	\$245,000
						2019 Bordeaux St	\$117,000
						5862 Darb Lake Dr	\$280,000
						6580 Noble Rd	\$160,000
						4493 Stoneview	\$370,000
						5652 Stratford Dr	\$190,000
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						White Lake	
						9303 Beechcrest St	\$43,000
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HOMES SOLD-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the Observer & Eccentric-area residential real-estate closings recorded the week of May 18-22, 2009, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

14100 Hix St	\$135,000	1130 Concord Ct	\$104,000	1053 Hickory Hill Dr	\$237,000	28202 Chesapeake Cir	\$120,000
34044 La Moine St	\$99,000	Novi		3840 Hidden Creek Ct	\$190,000	2148 Hidden Meadows Dr	\$30,000
9865 Laurel St	\$86,000	43026 Ashbury Dr	\$350,000	645 Langley Rd	\$525,000	103 Sandy Ln	\$170,000
31588 Merrilwood Park Dr	\$99,000	41949 Borchard Dr	\$300,000	415 Meadow Ln	\$78,000		
29537 Oakley St	\$140,000	21729 Chase Dr	\$339,000	3722 Winding Brook Cir	\$200,000		
15355 Sunset St	\$120,000	50861 Drakes Bay Dr	\$605,000				
18077 University Park Dr	\$85,000	23150 Inverness Ct	\$476,000	South Lyon		1242 Bielby St	\$91,000
		22210 Pondview	\$72,000	26781 Daria Cir E	\$80,000	3816 Covert Rd	\$270,000
		24166 Trafalgar Ct	\$400,000	26140 Daria Cir W	\$80,000	4225 Farmer Ave	\$5,000
		22734 Waycroft Dr	\$300,000	22200 Quail Run Cir	\$110,000	310 Leota Blvd	\$36,000
				1030 Shelland Dr	\$200,000		
						West Bloomfield	
						6636 Alderley Way	\$245,000
						2019 Bordeaux St	\$117,000
						5862 Darb Lake Dr	\$280,000
						6580 Noble Rd	\$160,000
						4493 Stoneview	\$370,000
						5652 Stratford Dr	\$190,000
						6606 Windmill Ln	\$182,000
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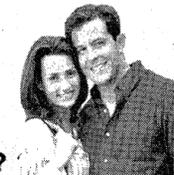
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40-60, who's looking for commitment, love and laughter. I'm a 47-year-old who's bright, spunky and pretty. Only Jewish men please. ☎️262317

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

DRAMA-FREE
SWF, 48, 5'7", 155lbs, hazel eyes, dimples, enjoys R&B, jazz, dancing, dining blues, sports. Seeking sexy, serious SBM, 27-40. Are we compatible? ☎️310533

ONE GOOD WOMAN LEFT
SBF, 47, 5'7", full-figured, N/S, likes roller skating, canoeing, exercise, theater, travel. Seeking a gentleman, 40-45, who is healthy, fun-loving, financially secure, looks decent. ☎️287305

SEEKING STRONG BM
Can you handle me? SBF, mid 40s, healthy and beautiful, seeks strong, laid BM, 40-52, who knows how to handle his own business, I'm laid-back, gentle, soft. ☎️295566

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. ☎️235421

SEEKING A MATURE MAN
Attractive SBPF, 36, N/S, ND/DRUG, would like to meet respectable, happy SBPM, 25-30, to enjoy life together. ☎️300680

SEEKING MR. RIGHT
SBF, 37, 5'5", nurse, mother of three, Christian values, N/S, social drinker, seeks SM, 32-50, race open, with similar values. ☎️310924

SEEKING A GENTLEMAN
WF, 69", 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

TIERED OF BEING ALONE
DBF, 50, 5'3", full-figured, N/S, loving, independent, intelligent, down-to-earth, great sense of humor, enjoys going out and romantic evenings at home. Seeking S/D/SM, 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, 48-65, N/S, responsible, good sense of humor, with good values and morals, for serious relationship. ☎️207254

PLUS-SIZED LADY...
34, 200lbs, easy single mom, looking for SM, 37+, for friendship and dating leading to LTR. Is this you? Call me! ☎️217234

VERY CUTE
SBF, 58, 5'5", 122lbs, interested in fit, good-looking, confident male, 46-60, N/S, intelligent, sincere, down-to-earth, who wants to commit to someone special. ☎️113188

I NEED A LOVE...
to keep me happy. Attractive, classy, delightful, charming WF, 48, no kids, seeks SWM, 45+, no kids, N/S, fun, loving, caring. ☎️680659

ARE YOU SEEKING?
DWf, 60s, 5'2", Italian, brunette, attractive, well-dressed, sincere, loving, optimistic, likes theater, travel, dining, fitness. Wishing to meet N/S WM, 60-72, financially secure, easygoing, good morals, loves family, for dating. ☎️303608

KEEP COOL
SBF, 19, 5'3", looking for cool, down-to-earth, attractive SBWM, 18-25, who keeps it real. ☎️287598

WARM SMILE
SBF, 21, N/S, looking for SM, 21-40, for friendship first, possibly more. Call me, let's talk and get to know each other! ☎️287187

PRETTY COMIC BOOK NERD
SWF, 21, red hair, blue eyes, 5'10", 165lbs, mature body/mind, looking for a lonely handsome man, 20-30, race open, clean-cut, open-minded, who can make me laugh and who's witty. ☎️252913

GREAT SENSE OF HUMOR
SWF, 27, mother, enjoys swimming, walking, nature, being outdoors. Seeking similar SWM, 29-45, for companionship. ☎️282578

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. ☎️319516

MATURE MAN WANTED
SBF, 33, 5'4", 115lbs, caramel complexion, brown eyes, short blonde hair, wears glasses. Seeking tall, muscular SBM, 25-40, who enjoys bookstores, movies, dining, water. ☎️287856

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. ☎️300610

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", seeks energetic SM, 40-65, N/S, who loves reading, midnight picnics, walking, and exciting conversations. Must have good SOH and self-worth. ☎️282616

TAKE A CHANCE
SBPF looking for SBM, 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. ☎️303229

MUST LOVE THE LORD
SBF, 33, 5'4", 115lbs, caramel complexion, looking for similar SBWM, 18-27, for possible relationship. ☎️311174

LOOK NO FURTHER
SBF, 18, 5'4", long black hair, light brown eyes, wants to meet that SDM, 10-22, who is tired of playing games. ☎️311011

DBF SEEKS LTR
Attractive, thick BF seeks LTR with totally unattached male, 49-55, into no games. Must be ready to start a new found friendship and see where it goes. Ballroom dancing is a plus. ☎️310736

CUTE
SM, 24, 5'11", caramel complexion, 175lbs, muscular, short hair, lit mustache and goatee, D/D-free, no drama, no children, wants to meet a female for possible relationship. ☎️320652

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

LET'S ENJOY LIFE TOGETHER
SBM, 73, 5'9", enjoys golf, the race track, galleries, going out for a drink. Looking for SWF, 60-80, with the same interests. ☎️318713

LET'S MAKE A CONNECTION
SWM, medical professional, 51, courteous, looking for fit single lady, 35-45, with whom to spend some quality time. Let's go dinner, movies, bowling, golf, tennis, shopping, or just kick back and watch a DVD. ☎️310972

ROMANTIC MAN
BM, 6'8", 180lbs, brown eyes, wavy black hair, likes working out, bowling, dining out, movies and treating a woman with respect. Looking for a BF, 44-49, for dating and romance. ☎️320053

NON-JUDGEMENTAL
Athletic, down-to-earth SM, 5'8", 205lbs, muscular build, great sense of humor, into working out, would like to meet a like-minded woman, 21-45, who has goals in life, for dating, possibly leading to more. ☎️320087

STRONG BUILD
SM, 6'1", very energetic, loves meeting new people, travel and more. Would like to meet a nice, down-to-earth, fun woman to spend time with. ☎️320397

HARD-WORKER
SWM, 45, 5'5", short brown hair, grown kids, enjoys music, playing guitar, travel. Looking for similar SF, 35-45. ☎️296057

A GREAT GUY
Good-natured, good-looking SWM, 41, energetic, versatile, fun, passionate, into boating, casinos, flea markets. Seeking conversation SWF, for conversation and connection. ☎️176472

CUTE, CUDDLY COWBOY
Wife and kid SWM, 46, enjoys simplicity, art fairs, flea markets, festivals. Seeking the company of a lady with similar interests. ☎️200459

A SPECIAL GUY
DWM, 56, 5'10", handsome and secure, seeks honest S/DWf, w/sense of humor, who enjoys travel, candlelight dinners, plays, dancing, concerts, boating, and movies. Friendship, possible LTR. ☎️176472

LOOK NO FURTHER
SBM, 24, 6', athletic build, dark complexion, looking for a cool, laid-back, fun and outgoing SBHF, 21-29. ☎️319532

LOOKING FOR MZ RIGHT
WWM, 45, 5'11", 220lbs, is easygoing, fun-loving, enjoys a variety of activities, indoor/outdoor. Looking for LTR, with the right person. ☎️266340

NO DRAMA
SBM, 36, 5'11", 165lbs, slim build, medium complexion, well-groomed, D/D-free, N/D, spiritual, drama-free, no children, independent, romantic, college-educated, family-oriented, seeks cute, slim, down-to-earth female, 30-49. ☎️299975

ARE YOU MISS RIGHT?
SBM, 42, 5'10", 225lbs, light-complexioned, from Detroit East Side, business owner/N/S, N/D, ND/DRUG, no drama, homeowner, seeks strong woman, 25-35, who is sexy, determined, assertive and together. ☎️300038

TALL, DARK, HANDSOME
SBM, 39, seeks quiet, artistically creative woman, 40-61, with a beautiful mind. I hope you are the right one! ☎️300709

WINTER SPORTS
Single DWM, 42, 6'1", 210lbs, hardworking, easygoing guy. Likes movies, bowling, and winter sports. Looking for SWM, 35-42, for dating. ☎️301662

POSITIVITY
SBM, 42, looking for positive, intelligent SF, 32-48, with no negativity in her life. Call, let's see if we click! ☎️301956

OUTDOORSMAN
BM, 57, 165lbs, likes boating, swimming, basketball, fishing and enjoying life. Looking for a very intelligent, nice, honest, easygoing female, 30-50, who likes to have fun. ☎️300242

THE ONE FOR ME
SBM, 38, 5'8", athletic build, seeks attractive lady for dining, movies, taking walks, reading poetry and more. ☎️302986

SEEKING A FRIEND
SBM, 40, 6'2", 240lbs, wants to meet a down-to-earth SBF, 35-42, who is easy to get along with, for friendship, maybe more. ☎️303036

SWM SEEKS SBF
DWM, 37, N/S, no kids, looking for SBF, 46+, a good to know. I'm a cool dude who cooks and has a good job. ☎️303043

WANT TO TALK?
Sexy SBM, 35, N/S, light brown eyes, long hair, looking for SBWF, 18-24, to chat with. I like movies, dining, just chilling. ☎️303048

NOT A GAME PLAYER
SWM, 46, 5'8", 160lbs, no children, searching for a special lady, 29-42, who doesn't play games, loves the outdoors, is honest, caring, loving. ☎️302998

HOPE TO HEAR FROM YOU
WM would like to meet a nice woman, 20-55, to develop a relationship with hopefully. If interested, give me a call. ☎️303066

THE ONE TO CALL
BM, 42, 5'8", 165lbs, enjoys all sports, bowling, walks in the park, quiet nights at home and barbecues. Looking for an attractive, honest lady, 21-49, to go out and have fun with. ☎️303275

A LOT TO OFFER
SBM, 43, 5'9", 143lbs, grown children, enjoys fishing, boating, outings, working on cars. Seeking SBWF, 21-45, for friendship first, maybe more. ☎️303915

MOVING FORWARD
SWM, 39-year-old, 5'8, thin and fit, N/S, light-blue eyes, brown hair, open-minded and caring. Interests: film, music, and literature. Looking for friendship possibly leading to a more serious relationship. ☎️303487

SEEKING REAL WOMAN
SM, 38, 6'2", brown/brown, likes cooking, dancing, music, travel and watching the Steelers play football. Seeking female, with similar qualities and values. Age, weight and race unimportant. ☎️305549

SEEKING LATIN LADY
WM, 63", dark/blue, with great sense of humor, likes sports, movies, concerts, dining out. Would like to meet a Hispanic female, 18-50, for dating, possibly more. ☎️308881

SO WE MATCH?
SM likes skating, music, horseback riding, going to bars and spending time at home. Would like to meet a woman, 38-45, who is nice and likes going out. ☎️308942

GENUINE NICE GUY
WM, 46, 6'1", blonde/blue, N/S, social drinker, honest, caring, compassionate and a great listener, likes most kinds of movies, quiet times at home, music, travel and watching the Steelers play football. Seeking female, with similar qualities and values. Age, weight and race unimportant, just a sincere person with Christian values. ☎️308913

LET'S HAVE SOME FUN
SWM, 29, 5'9", 160lbs, blonde/blue, good-looking, great build, likes funny SF, 18-45, easy to be with, who likes going out, bowling, movies, dining. ☎️309007

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

CAPRICORN
SBM, 5'11", 170lbs, medium complexion, likes sports, concerts and much more. Would like to meet a woman, 25+, who is easygoing and has a nice personality. ☎️318588

I PROMISE THAT YOU...
won't be disappointed! SBM, 59", 190lbs, likes working out and spending time with that special person. Would like to meet a secure, goal-oriented woman, 20-46, with a nice personality. ☎️318591

HAVE FUN WITH ME
SWM, 45, 5'11", 230lbs, brown/brown, N/S, ND/DRUG, 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. ☎️318819

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 H/WF, 21-45, for dating. ☎️318792

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. ☎️318936

EASYGOING
Sharp, sociable SWM, 45, with good character and pleasant personality. Likes the outdoors, fishing, motor sports etc. W/LTM SWF, for dating and fun times. ☎️187614

FEMININE LADY WANTED
Attractive SWPM, 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. ☎️262579

SEEKING EBONY WOMAN
Attractive SWPM, 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. ☎️262579

LET'S GET TOGETHER
BM, 6'1", 220lbs, would like to meet a woman, 25-48, who knows what she wants in life, for fun, dating, companionship and possible LTR. ☎️299007

SEEKING A GIRLFRIEND
SBM, 35, 6'3", 180lbs, brown eyes, likes singing, travel, basketball. Seeking similar woman, 20-35. ☎️299411

LET'S TALK
SWM, 39, 6'3", N/S, dark/blue, enjoys sports, movies, dining. Seeking attractive SBHF, 18-50, for possible relationship. ☎️299494

TALL AND ATHLETIC
SWM, 49, 6'2", 200lbs, part-time personal trainer, brown/blue, degree, outgoing personality, enjoys outdoors, working out, new activities, seeking friendly SF, age/location open. ☎️313308

WANTED: NEW BEST FRIEND
Fun-loving, humorous SWM, 57, 6', seeks attractive, slim, HW proportionate woman, 35-55, prefer N/S. I love outdoors, fishing, gardening, movies, museums. ☎️299125

CALL ME!
SBM, 50, 195lbs, 6'1", physically fit, likes working out, plays, movies, concerts, bowling. Looking for SF, 45-52, for possible relationship. ☎️289335

ARE WE A MATCH?
SWM, 61, N/S, looking for a SBF, 55-64, who enjoys life in general, taking walks, shopping, movies, the arts, card games. ☎️301709

LET'S TALK
SBM, 52, N/S, looking for a SBF, 45-56, 180-200lbs, to spend some time with and get to know. Friendship possibly leading to more. ☎️306631

READY FOR A RELATIONSHIP
Male, 60, tall, slim, attractive, brown/brown, no bad habits, would like to meet a nice, sweet, kind female, 40-70. ☎️287161

CALL ME!
Honest, hard-working SWM, 5'10", in search of honest, sweet, gentle SWF, 28-35. Friendship first, we'll take it from there. I enjoy mountain climbing, travel, life in general. ☎️309096

WORTH YOUR CALL!
DM, 58, 5'7", 135lbs, recently retired, hoping to meet a petite WF, late 40s-early 50s, who enjoys classic cars, motorcycles, animals, outdoors, quiet times at home. Seeking SF, 48-59, for possible relationship. ☎️312442



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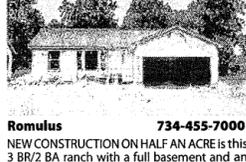
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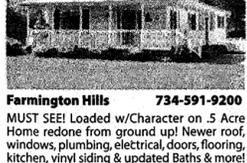
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Spacious Brick/vinyl Tri-level Featuring a new gourmet kitchen with radiant floor, granite countertops, maple cabinets & more. Updated baths, fresh paint throughout. Near Livonia Rec Center. (29082876) \$149,900



Pittsfield Twp 248-437-3800
Sharp, Move In Ready Condo! Located in Ann Arbor Schools. Upper ranch offering a giant mstr suite w/tey ceilings FP & a W/I close. Spacious living area. www.realestateone.com/29111030. (29111030) \$99,900



Shelby Twp 248-652-6500
Move In Ready! 3 BR/2 BA Ranch w/2 car extended mechanics garage. Updated KIT w/granite/hwd flrs under carpet/new windows/fin bsmt/extensive landscaping/city water & sewer. (28076781) \$200,000



Westland 248-851-4100
CUTE 3 BEDROOM RANCH. NICE AREA! Close to everything. Home features family rm w/fireplace & doorwall leading to Florida rm on a large corner lot. 2 car garage w/space for extra parking. (29092685) \$99,900



Dearborn 734-284-5400
LOVELY AND READY FOR A BUYER 3 Bedroom brick ranch. Natural oak flrs. Natural Fireplace. Finished basement w/ a bar. 2.5 car garage w/ remote. Custom deck & playscape. Lots of storage. (29063338) \$105,000



Farmington Hills 248-851-4100
SPARKLING & UPDATED RANCH W/3 CAR GARAGE Very large family rm, newer kitchen w/ stainless steel sink, tile backsplash. Organized closets. Large fenced yard. (29088195) \$129,900



Livonia 734-591-9200
SUPERB VALUE! 3 BR 1322 SQ FT RANCH Newly remodeled kitchen & bath, updated windows, Hardwood floors, lovely bay window in LR, Large FR w/doorwall onto deck. Must see what home has to offer for price. (29094868) \$109,000



Plymouth 248-851-4100
SHARP END UNIT TOWNHOME Affordable living w/open floor plan & neutral decor. 2 BR, 2.1 bath, great room & family room. Private entry & 2 car attached garage w/direct access. Pool & tennis. (29098758) \$110,000



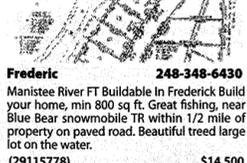
South Lyon 248-437-3800
The Search Is Over! Beautiful 3 br ranch. Replacement oak cabinets in kit. Newer furnace, hot water heater, A/C. Painted in todays colors. www.realestateone.com/29087920. (29087920) \$124,900



White Lake 248-684-1065
Colonial on large lot w/ pond & perennials. Large rooms w/ original HDWD flrs. Newer oak kit w/ ceramic flrs. Florida room. 1 yr home warranty incl. (29063688) \$159,900



Detroit 248-348-6430
Classic Historical 3 Story 4 Bed Brick Colonial with new 2008 features: roof, windows, attached deck, siding, glass block win in BSMT. All appliances stay. Updated kitchen & gleaming hardwood floors. (28167996) \$70,000



Frederic 248-348-6430
Manistee River FT Buildable In Frederick Build your home, min 800 sq ft. Great fishing, near Blue Bear snowmobile TR within 1/2 mile of property on paved road. Beautiful treed large lot on the water. (29115778) \$14,500



Livonia 248-851-4100
NEWER CONSTRUCTION. TONS OF UPDATES. 3 BR Features granite kitchen counters, HWF, 3.5 baths, finished bsmt w/full bath, MBR w/master bath & huge WIC. New deck, fenced lot. (29100427) \$90,000



Plymouth 248-348-6430
"Baby, Come Home..." Sharp & clean! Private entrance, balcony overlooking living room, nice bay window in 2nd bdrm (or den). Extra closet in master. \$1,500 carpet allowance & 1 yr home warranty! (29105331) \$79,900



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Contemporary Remodeled Home. Stately brick ranch exterior, disguises this contemporary remodeled hm. Eat in kit. w/maple cabinets. www.realestateone.com/29108458. (29108458) \$124,900



Wixom 248-851-1900
ALL SPORTS LOON LAKE PRIVILEGES Totally remodeled home. Updated kitchen cabs, floors & bath. Huge LR w/wood burning stove. Brick paver patio, wood deck, fenced yard. Newer windows, roof, siding, furnace (29051549) \$69,900



Farmington Hills 248-851-4100
TOTALLY REMODELED IN & OUT. GATED COMMUNITY New roof, furnace, air, front door. Gorgeous HWF in granite kit. & bath. Master BA w/stone tile floors, Euro-glass shower. New deck w/gazebo for entertaining. Buy/lease (29098825) \$312,500



Garden City 734-455-7000
GARDEN CITY RANCH! 3 bedrms; 1-1/2 baths; well-maintained ranch. Beautiful neighborhood. Fenced yard. Garage. (29069023) \$114,900



Livonia 734-284-5400
GREAT 3 BEDROOM HOME Perfect for the 1st time buyer. Updated kit w/ lots of cabinets. Appl. are included. New furnace & hwt in 2003. Lifetime composite deck around above ground pool. (29036097) \$49,900



Pontiac 248-652-6500
MOVE IN READY-BEAUTIFUL CONDO Great buy! Open floor plan. Cathedral ceilings. Neutral. Tile in Bath, Kit, Foyer. Appl. Private covered balcony, att. garage. Clbse offers inground pool, sauna (29081714) \$60,000



South Lyon 248-437-3800
Just Listed! Ranch seconds from historical area in downtown S Lyon. Hardwood flrs in kit, screened porch looks to backyard. Needs some work. www.realestateone.com/29110209. (29110209) \$79,900



Wolverine Lake 248-684-1065
Great starter home or home in which to downsize. 2 BR, 1 BA, LR, DR, FR, Rec room/ library on entry level. FLJ & laundry rm bsmt. Porch, deck, lake privileges. (29058517) \$117,900

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