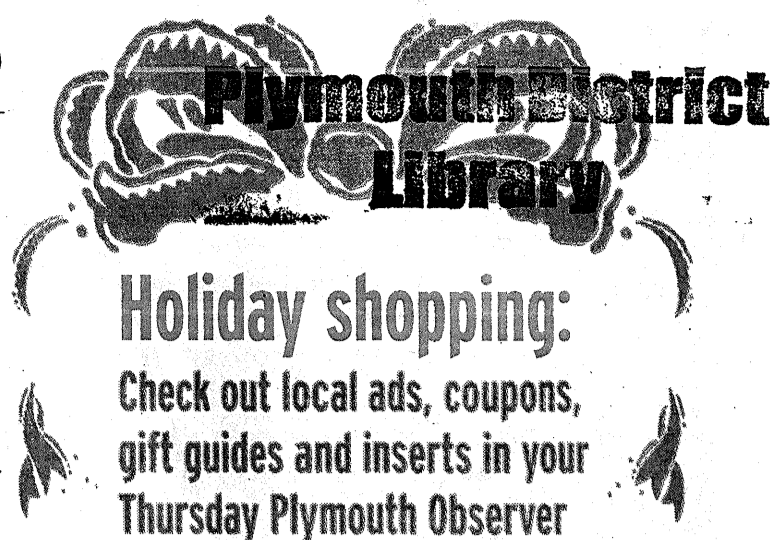


PLYMOUTH OBSERVER

online at hometownlife.com



**Plymouth District
Library**

Holiday shopping:
Check out local ads, coupons,
gift guides and inserts in your
Thursday Plymouth Observer

PLYMOUTH PIPELINE

Send memories

The holiday season is upon us and, through the hustle and bustle, we're asking our readers to let us be a part of their celebration.

We're asking readers to send us their favorite holiday memories and photos to the *Observer* for the special holiday edition we're planning for Thursday, Dec. 24.

Did you get a favorite gift for Christmas, or do you have a special memory of Hanukkah? Is there a special tradition your family has that makes the season merry and bright?

Share those memories with your neighbors through us. Send your items - be sure to include a photo, if you can - to *Observer* editor Brad Kadrich at bkadrich@hometownlife.com

It is our intention to make that issue a "keeper," something our readers will savor - and save.

Santa letters

Santa Claus has started to make his list, although sources tell the *Observer* that, while he's far from check it twice, he is waiting by his mailbox for youngsters' gift lists and letters.

The *Observer* wants to make sure Santa Claus knows what children would like this Christmas and is asking youngsters to send us letters to him. We will publish the letters in the newspaper during December before sending them on to the North Pole.

The letters should be sent by e-mail and include a snapshot of the child writing the letter. They can be a list of toys, a holiday greeting for the Jolly Ol' Elf or whatever information youngsters want Santa to have.

Send Santa correspondence to bkadrich@hometownlife.com and be sure to put "Letter to Santa" in the subject line. Letters can also be sent the old-fashioned way, via postal service, to Letter to Santa, c/o Brad Kadrich, 615 W. Lafayette, Second Level, Detroit, MI 48226.

Santa arrives

The community welcomes Santa, Mrs. Claus and Christmas Carol back to Plymouth when they arrive by fire truck 6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27.

Entertainment takes place around the downtown area from 1-6 p.m., featuring Michigan-born Gia Warner, The Troubadours and Kris Kurzawa and Friends. The Salvation Army share some hot chocolate.

Once the ceremony is finished, Santa will be welcoming all to his house in Kellogg Park until 8 p.m. and stores and restaurants will be open for shopping and dinner.

'Awful' books land librarians on 'Kimmel' show

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

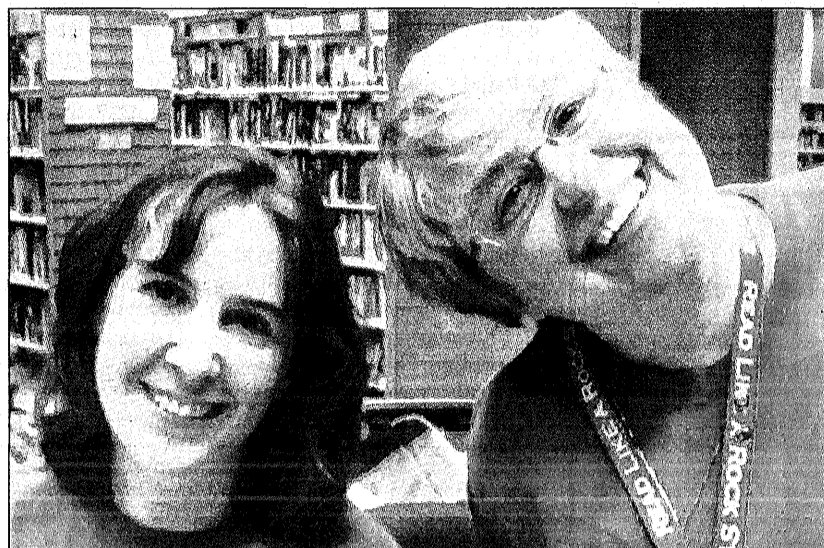
A library career isn't a typical path to Hollywood, but it worked for Holly Hibner and Mary Kelly.

Local librarians who worked together for more than 10 years, Hibner and Kelly flew out to Los Angeles earlier this month for an appearance on *Jimmy Kimmel Live!*

Their claim to fame? Hibner and Kelly in April founded the Web site Awful Library Books (www.awful-librarybooks.info), in which they display and discuss quaint, corny and hopelessly outdated library texts.

"Over the course of a decade, some really funny books have crossed our desk for one reason or another," said Hibner, who works at the Plymouth District Library. "Librarians think this stuff is funny."

The two discussed some of those books - titles like *Knitting With Dog Hair*, *A Passion for Donkeys* and *What's Wrong With My Snake?*



Their Web site about awful library books landed local librarians Holly Hibner and Mary Kelly on 'Jimmy Kimmel Live!'

- in a segment toward the end of Kimmel's Nov. 11 show. "He is so easy to talk to, we were not nervous at all," Hibner said. "His

staff was wonderful. They really went out of their way to make us comfortable." The "loud librarians" - Hibner's

words - got laughs from Kimmel and the audience - and 17,000 hits on their Web site the day after the show, up from a few thousand a day before that. Hibner said the site recently got its millionth hit.

Kimmel's show wasn't the first mass-media attention Hibner, Kelly and Awful Library Books has received. They've been featured in newspapers, on radio shows and other Web sites, but *Jimmy Kimmel Live!* was their first television appearance.

Hibner is quick to point out the books their site features aren't necessarily awful in and of themselves, but only in the context of time and place. An up-to-date public library, for example, wouldn't help a cancer patient by keeping a 20-year-old book on cancer treatment on its shelves, because cancer research is constantly progressing, Hibner said. But such a volume might have

Please see **LIBRARIANS, A3**

Back at home

Plymouth's briefcase team set for 21st Detroit parade

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Fred Hill Briefcase Drill Team is coming home.

A year after their appearance in Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City, the 17 suit-wearing, satchel-toting "businessmen" have a return engagement in Thursday's Detroit parade, officially called America's Thanksgiving Parade.

A Plymouth-based crowd favorite, the Fred Hill team made 20 consecutive appearances in the Detroit parade, through 2007. And members have strutted their stuff in the past at the Indianapolis 500, at football halftime shows and at other events at venues all over the country.

"We're like big deals," said Fred Hill, the drillmaster, who owned a clothing store in Plymouth for 24 years. "Can you imagine?"

Whereas most parade entries are designed to appeal to children, the Fred Hill team has a decidedly grownup appeal, Hill said.

"I always thought we probably have a significant social statement we're making. I don't know what it is yet," he joked.

Hill said the idea came from a parade he saw in his home town of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, in which an



Fred Hill and the Briefcase Drill Team make their 21st appearance in Detroit's Thanksgiving parade Thursday.

entry from the local hardware store consisted of a half-dozen men pushing lawn mowers.

His team's first time out was during Plymouth's Fourth of July Parade in

1985. "We thought we'd just do it one time, but the crowd reaction was so strong we said, 'We'll do it twice,'" he said.

The team has a routine it calls the Businessman

Shuffle, and is inspired by some of the marching from the 1981 Bill Murray comedy *Stripes*, Hill said.

"We have to pattern the maneuvers to the marching and dancing ability of the

group I'm working with," Hill said.

While there are 17 marchers for parades - 16 in four four-man rows and Hill in

Please see **PARADE, A3**

Index

APARTMENTS	... C3
AUTOMOTIVE	... C5
CAREER BUILDER	... C1
CROSSWORD PUZZLE	... C3
EDUCATION	... A6
HEALTH & FITNESS	... B9
MILESTONES	... B8
NEIGHBORS	... B5-7
OBITUARIES	... B8
REAL ESTATE	... C2
SPORTS	... B1

For Home
Delivery call:
(866) 887-2737



Diners cheesed over pizzeria closing

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Fans of "the world's best pizza" are hungering for it after the recent closure of Gino's Italian Pizza in Plymouth Township.

A sign in the window of the takeout pizzeria on Ann Arbor Trail east of Haggerty promised an Oct. 16 "grand reopening," said Val Jones, who lives nearby, but the reopening never occurred. Now, a "For Rent" sign hangs in the window.

"Everybody here was devastated that he closed," said Jones, who knew the owner as Jerry Hill.

Gino's had been in that location for more than 40 years, Jones said. The pizzeria had been closed for nearly three weeks prior to the scheduled "grand reopening," she said.

Jones said Hill was part of the fabric of the neighborhood and knew his regulars well - some of them so well he knew their orders before they placed them. "He had the world's best pizza,"

said Jones. "It was nice to go in there. He was part of the community." Gino's had another owner until about 10 years ago, when Hill, an employee, bought the place with a partner, she said.

Jones said she bought pizza from Gino's about once a month on average.

"I'm wishing somebody could help him and bring him back to the neighborhood," she said.

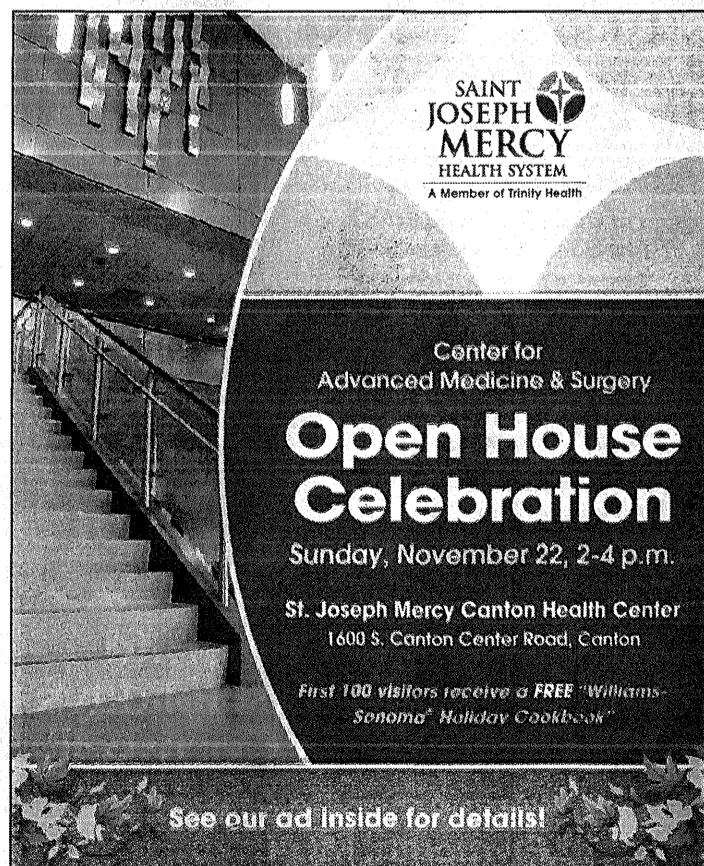
The phone number at Gino's was not working on Friday and Hill could not be located.

Thanksgiving holiday rearranges trash pickup schedule

There will be no trash collection in Plymouth Township on Thursday because of the Thanksgiving Day holiday, and collections for Thursday and Friday will be delayed by one day. Residents with a normal collection day of Thursday will have their trash and recyclables picked up on Friday, while Friday collec-

tions will be done on Saturday. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday collections will not be affected.

Trash and recycling pickup in the city of Plymouth will not be affected by the holiday, as the city normally has collections on only Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays.



SAINT JOSEPH MERCY HEALTH SYSTEM
A Member of Trinity Health

Center for
Advanced Medicine & Surgery

**Open House
Celebration**

Sunday, November 22, 2-4 p.m.

St. Joseph Mercy Canton Health Center
1600 S. Canton Center Road, Canton

First 100 visitors receive a FREE "Williams-Sonoma" Holiday Cookbook

See our ad inside for details!

2010 GMC Acadia
"We are Professional Grade"

24 MPG
8 Passenger Seating



Stk #7023

Lease Payment **\$359*** mo./48 mo. lease **\$0** DOWN PAYMENT

BOB JEANNOTTE Buick Pontiac GMC
14949 Sheldon Rd. • Plymouth, MI (bet. M-14 & 5 Mile Road)
734-453-2500
www.jeannotte.com

*Due at delivery 1st payment + tax, title, plates and doc. 12,000 miles per year. GM employee and eligible family members. All rebates to dealer. OE0661504

Full service custom design jewelry

- * Your designs or ours
- * Your gems & gold or ours
- * Shockingly affordable!
- * High end fabrication
- * Computer aided design
- * Award-winning designs
- * 22 years experience
- * Satisfaction guaranteed



Plymouth Jewelry & Gifts

620 Starkweather • Old Village
Plymouth • 734-453-1860

The Area's Most Trusted Custom Jeweler

www.plymouthjewelry.com

Christmas Open House Week
November 15th-29th

Bring Your Entire Family To See Our Holiday Collectibles.

Everything for the home: trees, skirts, yard art, Dept. 56 villages and much much more! Bring your lists, there's something for everyone!

While supplies last.

33% OFF
All Life-Like Christmas Trees

While supplies last.

\$20 FREE Christmas Decorations
With purchase of artificial tree valued at \$149.99 or more.*

or

FREE LightKeeper Pro
With purchase of artificial tree valued at \$149.99 or more.*

*Excludes close-out models.

While supplies last.

33% OFF
Christmas Wreaths & Garlands

CORNWELL Christmas World

Celebrate the Holidays at Cornwell!

874 Ann Arbor Road West,
Plymouth, MI 48170

Store Hours: Mon, Thurs, Fri 10-8;
Tues & Sat 10-6, Sun 12-5

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

Kiwanis nuts

Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth supports the agencies and organizations that provide assistance to many people in need as well as helping folks directly. To be able to fund these various projects, the club has many fundraising activities. One of them is the Annual Gourmet Nut Fund-raiser being held now.

There are 1-pound and 3-pound cans of gourmet nuts for purchase by the can, case and pallet. They are great gifts for family, employees and clients. Please consider the Kiwanis Gourmet Nuts as your gift of choice this year and assist in allowing Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth to continue serving those in need in our community and around the world.

The gourmet nuts can be purchased by the can at Papa Romano's, 555 W. Ann Arbor Rd, Plymouth, (734) 459-2930, or by the case or pallet at Fitness Things, 1160 W. Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth, (734) 455-8790. Many other Plymouth businesses will also have the Kiwanis Gourmet Nuts available for purchase at their location.

Businesses interested in participating, or anyone who needs more information, can contact Gary Walley, (734) 455-8790.

Corriveau coffee

State Representative Marc Corriveau (D-Northville), whose district includes Plymouth, Northville and part of Canton, hosts a coffee hour 5:30-6:30 p.m. Nov. 30 at Parthenon Coney Island, 39910 Ford Road, in Canton.

For more information, call (734) 981-0200.

Career seminar

REMERICA HOMETOWN of Plymouth is inviting anyone out of a job or contemplating a career change to become a real estate agent and be ready for what they say is the upcoming real estate boom.

REMERICA HOMETOWN presents a pre-license training class beginning Nov. 30. Real Estate Professional Education Group, LLC at: 44025 Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth.

Total class cost is \$50 and includes all materials. Call Chris or Judy, (734) 459-6222, or e-mail info@remerica-hometown.com for a reservation or a private interview.

Whalers Food Drive

The Plymouth Whalers, in coordination with the

Plymouth Community United Way, are sponsoring a Food Drive Saturday, Nov. 28, before their game against Kingston at Compuware Arena in Plymouth Township.

Fans are asked to bring non-perishable food items, paper or toiletry products to the game. A voucher for a discount on a future Whalers admission ticket will be given to those who donate.

Saturday @ the Penn

The Plymouth Community Arts Council and the Plymouth Canton Symphony Society are presenting a series of family variety shows in downtown Plymouth. These shows are offered at 11:30 a.m. on the first Saturday of each month at the Penn Theater. Cost is \$4 per person.

The next performance, scheduled for Dec. 5, features special musical host Guy Louis and the Chautauqua Express with special guest performers Joe Reilly. The announcer for this performance is Tammy Trudelle.

The Penn Theater is located at 760 Penniman in Plymouth. Tickets may be purchased the day of the show. Doors open at 11:05 a.m. Show runs 11:30-1:00 p.m.

These shows are sponsored by a grant from the Wilcox Foundation, as well as by several local businesses and individuals: Quixworks, Signature Audio, Kelly & Tom Doneth, Optimist Club of Plymouth and Steve & Renee Alexandrowski.

Reunion time

Plymouth Canton and Salem Class of 1994 is hosting its 15-year reunion 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, Nov. 27 at the Novi Sheraton, 21111 Haggerty in Novi.

Cost is \$50. Details can be found and tickets purchased at www.pcep1994.com

For more information, contact Julie Burkett (Orleman) via e-mail at julieburkett@hotmail.com or call (734) 674-3478.

Doctor documentary

Audiences across the country will get a rare inside look into the Nobel Peace Prize-winning Doctors Without Borders at the Goodrich Quality Theater-Canton Cinema, 43555 Ford Rd, Canton, 7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 14.

"Living in Emergency: Stories of Doctors Without Borders LIVE with Elizabeth Vargas" is an exclusive, one-night only event, which will be broadcast via satellite from New York University's Skirball Center for the Performing Arts to thousands of Americans seated in nearly 450 movie theaters across the country.

Doctors Without Borders gave a documentary crew unlimited and uncensored access to its field operations in war-torn Congo and post-conflict Liberia. The critically acclaimed documentary, "Living in Emergency," interweaves the stories of four doctors who are forced to confront the limits of their idealism in the face of overwhelming medical needs.

Following the documentary, Elizabeth Vargas, anchor of ABC News 20/20, will moderate a LIVE town-hall discussion with frontline aid workers and award-winning journalists, including Sebastian Junger, best-selling author of *The Perfect Storm* and Vanity Fair contributing editor.

To purchase tickets, visit www.FathomEvents.com/doctorswithoutborders

Open 9 to 9pm Thanksgiving Eve
9 to 11am Thanksgiving

Serving... **HOT COCOA** for the Kids after they visit Santa!
FRESH HOT COFFEE \$1

Put in your order for **PUMPKIN ROLL, PUMPKIN PIE and APPLE PIE** for the holiday!

RECEIVE 15% OFF YOUR PURCHASE OVER \$20.00
Wedding Cakes do not apply. Offer expires 12/31/09

Gift Trays of Baklava Available!!!

Sweets "Let Us Satisfy Your Sweet Tooth"

386 S. Main Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170
734-455-7144

Hours of Operation: Monday - Saturday 9am to 9pm Sunday - 9am to 3pm

NO SAD DOGS!
When you leave home, your pet doesn't have to

Platinum Pet Service
Insured, Bonded, Pet Tech Certified - References Available

Pet Sitting, Dog Training, Dog Walking

10% Discount for New Clients
15% Discount for Referrals
Monthly Specials

Servicing Plymouth, Northville, Canton, Livonia and Ann Arbor

Phone 734.737.0363
e-mail: tall-wag@msn.com
Website: www.platinumpetservice.com

Help secure her future...

What will college tuition cost in 10 years?

College costs are increasing annually, making it difficult to estimate tuition rates, even for the next few years. This can make planning ahead difficult and frustrating. However, the Michigan Education Trust (MET) makes it possible for parents, grandparents, businesses and others to pre-purchase tomorrow's undergraduate tuition at today's cost.

MET is a smart, tax-advantaged way to save for college. MET contracts assure a child's college education savings will be there when they need it! MET contracts are portable and transferrable and the funds used to purchase a MET contract may qualify for a state tax deduction. MET contracts can be purchased for Michigan children in one semester increments or by the year with several convenient payment options available.

To learn more about the Michigan Education Trust, visit our website or call today:

www.SETwithMET.com
1-800-MET-4-KID
(1-800-638-4543)

MET
MICHIGAN EDUCATION TRUST
Tomorrow's Tuition...SET with MET!

Michigan's 529 Plans

Gifts that keep on giving.

Start your child's future today.

The Michigan Education Savings Program (MESP) helps make it easy!

- Your money can grow free of federal and Michigan income tax.
- Michigan residents may receive a Michigan income tax deduction on their MESP 529 Plan contributions.
- Your investment can be used at ANY eligible higher-education institution in the country.
- MESP funds can be used for tuition, books, supplies, and certain costs for room and board.

Visit MESPgift.com or call 1-877-861-6377.

m esp
Michigan Education Savings Program

Consider the investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses before investing in the Michigan Education Savings Program. Please visit www.misaves.com for a Disclosure Booklet containing this information. Read it carefully.
Before investing in a 529 plan, you should consider whether the state in which you or your designated beneficiary reside or have taxable income has a 529 plan that offers favorable state income tax or other benefits that are only available if you invest in that state's 529 plan.
Investment management, program administration and distribution of The Michigan Education Trust (MET) program is provided solely by the Michigan Department of Treasury. MET is not managed by TIAA-CREF Tuition Financing, Inc.
Account value for the Investment Options is not guaranteed and will fluctuate based upon a number of factors, including general market conditions.
The tax information contained herein is not intended to be used, and cannot be used by any taxpayer, for the purpose of avoiding tax penalties that may be imposed on the taxpayer. It was written to support the promotion of the products and services of MESP. Taxpayers should seek advice based on their own particular circumstances from an independent tax advisor.
© 2009 TIAA-CREF Tuition Financing, Inc., Program Manager

Chicken donation helps feed area's needy LIBRARIANS

FROM PAGE A1

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Area agencies scrambling to feed a growing number of hungry, recession-ravaged families received a much-needed boost Thursday morning when a truck hauling 40,000 pounds of frozen chicken rolled up to a Canton distribution center.

In all, 21 agencies shared the gift from a nonprofit foundation called HEAR (Health, Education And Relief), a Chicago-based volunteer group also helping families in the Detroit area.

"We timed it for the holidays," said local HEAR director Mark McManus Sr., a Novi resident and chairman of Livonia-based New Horizons Computer Learning Centers.

HEAR bought the frozen chicken for a reduced cost from Tyson Foods and had it trucked in from the company's Springdale, Ark., headquarters to Norquick, a cold-storage, warehouse and distribution center in Canton.

"We're amazed by the generosity," said Ann Kalass, CEO for Inkster-based Starfish Family Services, which offers a wide array of family services in Canton, Garden City, Livonia, Plymouth, Redford, Westland and other metro Detroit communities.

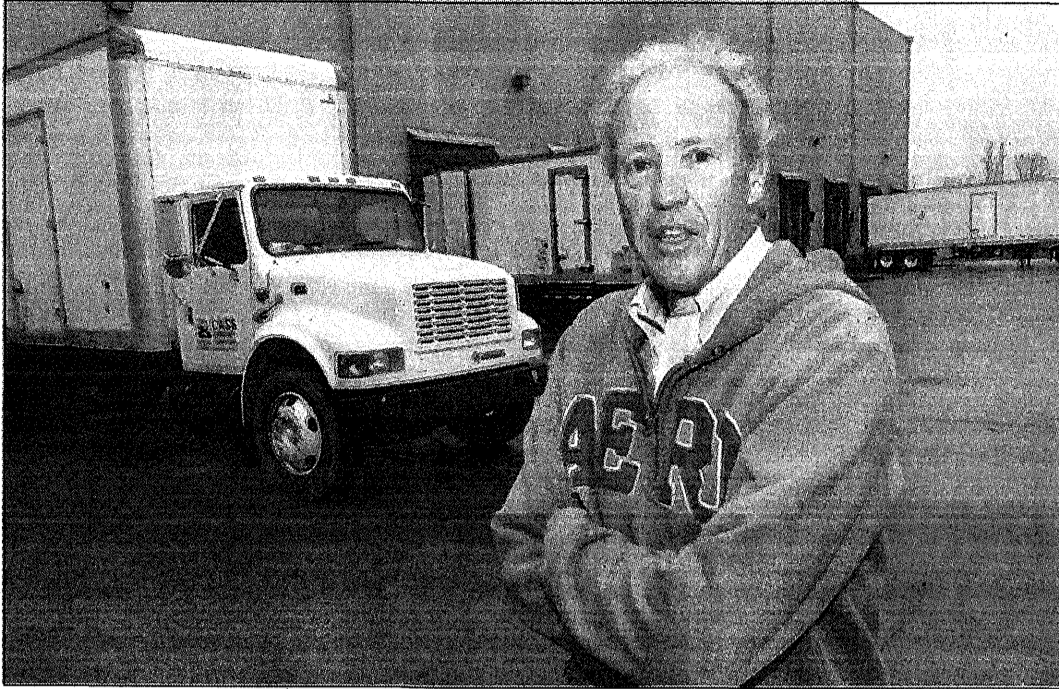
Starfish, alone, received 2,800 pounds of boxed, frozen chicken.

"It couldn't come at a better time than the holidays," Kalass said. "So many families are in crisis and struggling to find resources."

Kalass came to Norquick with Westland single mom Chelsea Cloutier, a Starfish client and Starfish Head Start executive board member whose 3-year-old son attends a full-day preschool program while she works and studies for a bachelor's degree she expects to receive in August.

"The holidays can be so stressful," said Cloutier, 25, studying business administration and finance.

Ed Hingelberg, a Plymouth City Commission member and operations director of Detroit-based Cass Community Social Services, said the 3,200 pounds of frozen chicken CCSS received



Mark McManus Sr., owner of Livonia-based New Horizons Computer Learning Centers, is director for a nonprofit group that donated 40,000 pounds of frozen chicken for distribution to local social service agencies.

PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Ed Hingelberg of Cass Community Social Services says the 3,200 pounds of chicken CCSS received will feed lots of hungry people. CCSS' truck, driven by Michael Mason and Robert Dixon, is loaded and ready to go.

will be stretched to feed as many needy families as possible by using it in soup, chicken salad and other meals.

"I can't tell you how much this helps us," Hingelberg said, standing with McManus outside Norquick on a gray, drizzly Thursday morning that somehow seemed a little less bleak after HEAR's food shipment arrived on Canton's north side.

"When the economy is down," Hingelberg said, "the need goes

through the roof."

Cass Community Social Services provides help ranging from meals for the homeless to emergency shelter to vocational opportunities.

McManus said HEAR worked with another nonprofit organization, Northville Civic Concern, to seek out agencies needing food to help their clients. McManus helped oversee the frozen chicken distribution mere hours after he returned from a relief effort in Guatemala.

He said 100 percent of HEAR's donations are used to help people in need. Much more about the organization can be learned — and donations can be made — online at www.hear-foundation.org.

HEAR's shipment of frozen chicken came in 10-pound bags. Agencies received as little as 200 pounds and as much as 3,200 pounds.

McManus released a list of 21 recipients that included Active Faith food pantry of South Lyon; Blessed Hope Mission of Lincoln Park; Cass Community Social Services; Central Detroit CDC; Faith Community Presbyterian Church of Novi; Forgotten Harvest of Oak Park; Fort Street Presbyterian of Detroit; Friendship House of

Hamtramck; Grace Centers of Hope of Pontiac, Help's On The Way of Dearborn; Military Avenue Presbyterian Church of Detroit; Northville Civic Center; The Salvation Army in Farmington, Plymouth, Westland and Macomb; St. Christine's Soup Kitchen & Outreach of Detroit; St. James Catholic Church of Novi; Starfish; the Wayne County Family Center of Westland; and Western Oakland Meals on Wheels.

a place in an archives or a historical library, she added. "Different libraries have different missions," she said. Beyond its humorous value, their site is "not a criticism," but "a nudge," she said, designed to get libraries to "weed" their shelves.

The titles are posted on the site without reference to the libraries they were found in, so no individual libraries are embarrassed.

A librarian's job is to evaluate information and teach others to do the same and "point people to the good stuff,"

Hibner said. "This is why libraries are still so relevant."

Kelly works at the Salem-South Lyon District Library, where Hibner also worked until she arrived in Plymouth nearly three months ago. They've done other projects and presentations together and are currently writing a textbook together, Hibner said.

Lately, most of the titles posted on Awful Library Books have been submitted by fans of the site from around the world, Hibner said. And the "awful" has been de-emphasized somewhat.

"We do postings that are just plain funny," she said.

mjachman@hometownlife.com | (313) 222-2405

PARADE

FROM PAGE A1

the lead — Hill has 21 or 22 men trained to march. "I have a few extras in case someone can't make it for some reason," he said.

Sisters Kristen Szymanski of Plymouth and Rachel Lohrer of Hazel Park will be carrying the drill team's banner Thursday. It was an honor purchased for them for \$600 by their parents, Elise and Gary Walley, during the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce's recent auction fund-raiser. The Walleys own Fitness Things in Plymouth, which sells exercise equipment, and Lohrer and Szymanski both work at the store.

"I'm really excited. I think it's the best Thanksgiving present ever," Lohrer said.

"It's the only thing that I remember in the parade besides Santa," Szymanski said. "They're Plymouth legends."

The sisters plan to dress up for the event — perhaps as secretaries — but their outfit selections might depend on Thursday's weather, they said.

Hill said his team is in the seventh position in the parade, which is fairly early. The parade along Woodward Avenue between Mack and Congress kicks off at 9:20 a.m. and will be broadcast locally by television station WDIV-TV (Channel 4).

mjachman@hometownlife.com | (313) 222-2405

Whole House Re-Pipe Special



Bathroom & Kitchen Remodeling

New PEX Piping \$200 OFF
Reg. price of \$1,800

As Low As **\$1,800**

New & Repair Work

20% OFF Service Call

With this coupon Expires 12-8-09



Lane PLUMBING & HEATING
(734)-427-LANE
Fax 734-522-5263

VISA 6738 Middlebelt Road • Garden City, MI 48135

RESIDENTIAL • COMMERCIAL • INDUSTRIAL

Over 30 Years Experience
Master Plumber License #81-09508



Allie Brothers Uniforms

carhartt

YOUR FULL LINE CARHARTT DEALER

SALE!

\$49.99 pr.
Reg. \$66.95

Flannel Lined

Washed-Denim Work Dungaree

SALE!

\$26.99 pr.
Reg. \$40.95

Loose-Fit Jean

SALE!

\$39.99 pr.
Reg. \$55.95

Flannel Lined

Straight Leg Jean

Traditional-Fit Boot-Cut Jean

PERFECT FOR HOLIDAY GIFT GIVING

WOMEN'S SWEATSHIRTS

SALE!

\$42.99 pr.
Reg. \$52.95

Heavyweight Hooded Pullover Sweatshirt

WOMEN'S JEANS

SALE!

\$54.99 pr.
Reg. \$70.95

Sandstone Sherpa Lined Mock Neck Vest

Bring in this ad for these SPECIAL PRICES

SALE ENDS 12-24-09

Holiday Hours: Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri 9am - 5:30pm
Thurs 9am-8pm • Sat 9am-4pm • Sun 11am-3pm

20295 Middlebelt Road
Livonia, Michigan 48152
3 BLOCKS SOUTH OF 8 MILE

248-477-4434

Some relationships are more rewarding than others.

36-MONTH CD

2.00% APY

\$1,000 MINIMUM & CIRCLE GOLD CHECKING® & ENROLL IN A REWARDS PROGRAM



60-MONTH CD

3.00% APY

\$1,000 MINIMUM & CIRCLE GOLD CHECKING® & ENROLL IN A REWARDS PROGRAM

One more reason to become a Circle Gold Banking customer.

Ready to get more from your bank? Become a Circle Gold customer, and you'll get preferred rates on CDs and Money Market accounts, earn travel, gift cards and more with our best in class rewards programs, and get reduced rates on home equity lines and loans. To get started, just open a Circle Gold Checking Account today. Helping you get more. That's something one good citizen does for another.

Member FDIC

Call: 1-877-TOP-RATE

Click: charterone.com

Come in: Any Charter One



Available in select markets. Annual Percentage Yield (APY) accurate as of publication date. Offer may be withdrawn or changed without notice and cannot be combined with another CD offer. Personal accounts/select markets. \$1,000,000 maximum. Penalty for early withdrawal. Charter One is RBS Citizens, N.A.



2010 FORD TAURUS SHO

IT'S THE BEST TIME TO BUY OR LEASE A BRAND-NEW FORD.

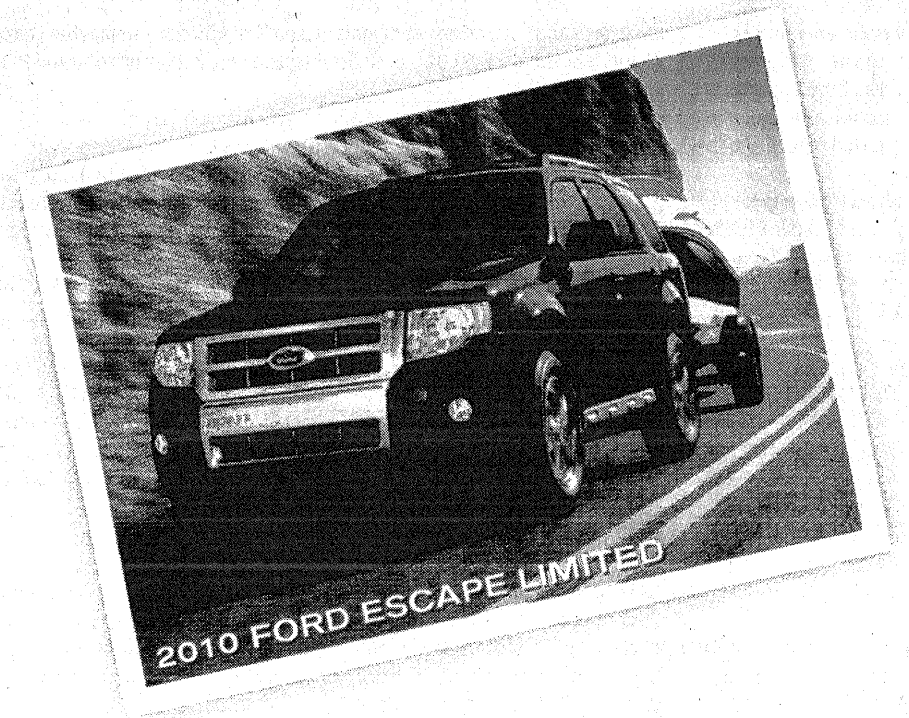
2010 Taurus is America's most innovative full-size sedan.¹ With Ford's available all-new EcoBoost™ engine. The thrust of a V6.² The thrust of a V8. Class-exclusive available BLIS® (Blind Spot Information System) with cross-traffic alert – what doesn't show up in your mirror can still show up on your mirror. Available adaptive cruise control helps keep a preset distance between you and the vehicle ahead of you.

2010 Fusion is the most fuel-efficient midsize sedan in America.³ And Fusion offers great styling and smart features. Like available SYNC® voice-activated technology with Traffic, Directions and Information.⁴ And available SIRIUS Travel Link™ to help you reach your destination faster and smarter.⁵

2010 Escape is as fun to look at as it is to drive. With its 2.5L Duratec® I-4 engine, Escape delivers up to 28 miles per gallon on the highway.⁶ And Escape offers an available 3.0L V6 flex-fuel engine, plus its available Intelligent 4WD System and six standard airbags, including the standard Safety Canopy® System.

2010 Mustang has been redesigned. Whether you choose the ragtop, hardtop or glass top, you'll get a whole new look. But the same bad attitude. Check out the pure and simple Thrill Machine from Ford. And unleash your Mustang side.

Come into our showroom during Ford's Year End Sales Event today and drive one.



2010 FORD ESCAPE LIMITED

0%
APR
Financing



Drive one.

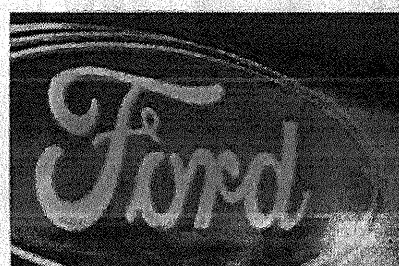
\$1000
PLUS
CASH BACK⁷



¹Based on total number of first-in-class features. Class is Full-Size Non-Luxury Sedans. ²EPA-estimated 17 city/25 hwy mpg, Taurus SHO. ³EPA-estimated 23 city/34 hwy/27 combined mpg, Fusion S, I-4 automatic. Midsize class per R. L. Polk & Co. Non-hybrid. ⁴Driving while distracted can result in loss of vehicle control. Only use mobile phones and other devices, even with voice commands, when it is safe to do so. ⁵With optional Navigation System real-time traffic monitoring available in select markets. Some features are unavailable while driving. Service available in the 48 contiguous states and Washington, DC. SIRIUS Travel Link is a trademark of SIRIUS XM Radio, Inc. SYNC with Traffic, Directions and Information not available with Navigation System or SIRIUS Travel Link. ⁶EPA-estimated 28 hwy mpg, I-4 FWD. ⁷Limited-term Ford Credit financing on approved credit. Not all buyers will qualify. Not available on '10 model year hybrids, Taurus SE, Edge SE AWD, Transit Connect, Mustang Shelby GT-500™ and F-150 Raptor. Take new retail delivery from dealer stock by XX/XX/XX. See dealer for details.



2010 FORD FUSION



Atchinson Ford
9800 Belleville Rd. Belleville MI 48111
734-697-9161
www.atchinsonford.net

Drive one.

OE0881531



Allison Doroshewitz reacts to the lights being turned on.

Annual Hines Park holiday display opens with a bang

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Amy Slauter likes the poinsettias, her 4-year-old daughter Emily likes the flying reindeer school and her husband Jason likes the car with the presents falling off.

It seems everyone has a favorite spot along the 4 1/2-mile long Wayne County Lightfest which opened for the holiday season Thursday evening.

"This is our first time coming to the opening ceremony, but we always go through it, it's how we start our holiday season," said Slauter, a Dearborn Heights resident. "I love Christmas and this is something different to do. It's fun to see how the displays change each year."

Another newbie was Annette Feuerstein of Ann Arbor, who was at the event with Joy Barr of Westland.

"I work with Joy in Plymouth, she brought me to show me what it's all about," she said.

Barr has been coming every year since it opened. Her husband works for Wayne County Parks and helps set up the display.

"It's kind of a hidden treasure

of Telegraph in Dearborn Heights. A walk-through display area, Santa's Workshop, refreshments and gift shopping has been set up at the end of the drive. Santa will be there from Thanksgiving until Dec. 23.

In between, guests will see the sledding hill transformed into a ski run complete with a chalet and skiers, a Nativity scene and Hannukah display. There's also a tunnel of lighted red, white and green arches and snowflakes and an eye-popping white one sponsored by DTE Energy.

Wednesday, Dec. 2, 9 and 16, will be Toy Nights. Wayne County will be lending a hand to make sure all children have a bright holiday by inviting the community to bring a new, unwrapped toy in lieu of the suggested \$5 donation fee. Visitors also can contribute the recommended donation.

For more information on the Wayne County Lightfest, please call (734) 261-1990 or visit the parks' Web site at www.waynecountyparks.org.

Although Lightfest begins at 7 p.m., Hines Drive will be closed to traffic beginning at 5:45 p.m. nightly.

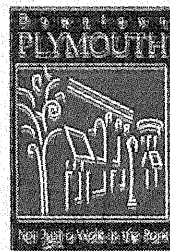
of Telegraph in Dearborn Heights. A walk-through display area, Santa's Workshop, refreshments and gift shopping has been set up at the end of the drive. Santa will be there from Thanksgiving until Dec. 23.

In between, guests will see the sledding hill transformed into a ski run complete with a chalet and skiers, a Nativity scene and Hannukah display. There's also a tunnel of lighted red, white and green arches and snowflakes and an eye-popping white one sponsored by DTE Energy.

Wednesday, Dec. 2, 9 and 16, will be Toy Nights. Wayne County will be lending a hand to make sure all children have a bright holiday by inviting the community to bring a new, unwrapped toy in lieu of the suggested \$5 donation fee. Visitors also can contribute the recommended donation.

For more information on the Wayne County Lightfest, please call (734) 261-1990 or visit the parks' Web site at www.waynecountyparks.org.

Although Lightfest begins at 7 p.m., Hines Drive will be closed to traffic beginning at 5:45 p.m. nightly.



Downtown Plymouth's WinterFest 2009

November 27th - December 20th

Fri., Nov. 27, 2009

Eat, drink and be merry at WinterFest in downtown Plymouth. Beginning at 1 p.m. live holiday music throughout downtown with 100 unique shops and two-dozen popular restaurants. Visit the Walk of Trees in Kellogg Park and the Red Ryder exhibit at the Plymouth Historical Museum. Santa arrives in Kellogg Park by fire engine at 6 p.m. to light the holiday tree.



Musical Entertainment

...featuring the PCEP Choir which will perform every Friday and Saturday between Thanksgiving and Christmas:

- Every Fri. 5pm - 8pm
- Every Sat. 1pm - 4pm



"The Walk of Trees"

Over 50 trees each decorated by a local family, club or business. "A Red Ryder Christmas Story" at the Plymouth Historical Museum.



Over 800 FREE PARKING SPACES available!

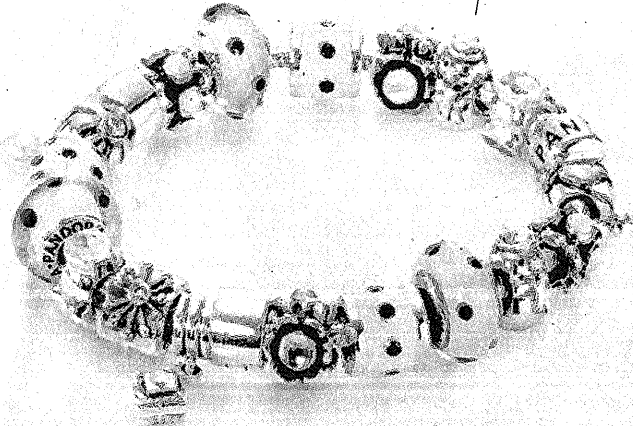
For a complete list of parking areas and time limits visit downtownplymouth.org

0E0881251

LIFE HAS ITS MOMENTS...



Dreaming of a white Christmas



PANDORA
UNFORGETTABLE MOMENTS

...MAKE THEM UNFORGETTABLE

2-DAY Holiday Event
November 27-28

Friday 9:30-6:00
Saturday 9:30-4:00

- Your Canton Area Pandora Dealer
- Shop Early for Best Selection
- Refreshments
- Free Gift Wrapping

Elegance
SHOWROOM OF FINE JEWELRY

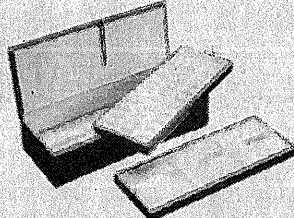
6018 Canton Center Rd.
Canton, MI 48187

P: 734.207.1906

showroomofelegance.com

GIFT WITH PURCHASE

Receive a free travel box with your purchase of \$100 or more of PANDORA



Store Hours:
Tues.-Fri. 9:30-6:00
Sat. 9:30-4:00
Closed Sun. & Mon.

U.S. Pat. No. 7,007,507 • © • All rights reserved • PANDORA JEWELRY.COM

0E0881252

SAINT JOSEPH MERCY HEALTH SYSTEM
A Member of Trinity Health



Center for Advanced Medicine & Surgery Open House Celebration

Sunday, November 22, 2 - 4 p.m.
St. Joseph Mercy Canton Health Center
1600 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188

Come explore the Health Exploration Station and view the mock bedroom from "Drugs 101: What Parents Want to Know"

Light refreshments • Giveaways • Tours

FIRST 100 VISITORS RECEIVE A FREE "WILLIAMS-SONOMA" HOLIDAY COOKBOOK

REMARKABLE MEDICINE
REMARKABLE CARE

EDUCATION

Bond bears fruit

Savings spurred extra work around district

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

As the bids for project after project included in the \$109 million bond issue approved by voters in 2004 went out, then came in on time and under budget, Plymouth-Canton school officials saw they were saving millions of dollars.

Faced with a quandary - a shrinking revenue stream tightening the budget vs. significant infrastructure needs around the district - administrators and school board members made the decision to pour the savings back into the schools, making renovations on every district building constructed before 2000.

As a result, district officials believe they've positioned the district for a solid foundation for the next 15-20 years.

"We've been fortunate ... we've been able to take advantage of some favorable bidding," said assistant superintendent Ken Jacobs, who estimated the bond work was done some 18 months early and some \$8 or \$9 million under budget. "We commit very few dollars from the general fund budget to infrastructure ... we wanted to address all our infrastructure needs."

Jacobs believes the district has done that. Every building in the district built before 2000 had some sort of work done. Not all of it - mechanical work, doors, roofs, windows, boilers, paving, plumbing - was sexy, but all of it was necessary, he said.

Workman Elementary School was the only new building constructed with the bond proceeds. And enrollment at the school, located at Cherry Hill and Denton in Canton, has proven that was a need more than a want.

"We put the building where the enrollment was coming,"



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Among projects completed under the 2004 bond was a new bus turnaround at Gallimore Elementary, which was done in time for the first day of school in September.

Jacobs said. "It's worked out that way in that there are 700 students in that building."

While Jacobs has shepherded the projects from the district's end, he spreads the credit for the success of the bond projects around. The credit goes largely, according to Jacobs, to the district's construction manager, McCarthy & Smith, and its architect, TMP.

McCarthy & Smith was brought on board in September 1998 to build Discovery Middle School. As the district began to assess its needs, TMP was brought in in 2000. Both firms do substantial work with school districts, an expertise Plymouth-Canton officials have found valuable.

"They have a unique way of developing a following of construction crews," Jacobs said of McCarthy & Smith. "The contractors who have bid on the work have been very good."

The team has run into a few problems. There were problems with concrete being used at West Middle School, and with the materials used to resurface

the administration building on Harvey.

The weather hasn't always cooperated, either. As crews were building the new bus turnaround at Gallimore Elementary, heavy rains turned the site into what officials not-so-lovingly called "Lake Gallimore."

"We've been able to report primarily good news," McCarthy & Smith president Bill McCarthy said. "Many of the projects had some site related issues. Throw in a wet August, and it got a little exciting."

The team's relationship with the district's Board of Education also helped facilitate a lot of the effort. McCarthy, senior project manager Doug Underwood and TMP's John Reibe made frequent presentations to the board throughout the process, which has seen some 25 bid packages that included as many as 100 separate projects.

"We've kept all the good and not-so-good news out in front of the board was important," McCarthy said. "We need to be accountable for the work."

In addition to getting the work

done on time and under budget, the 2004 bond projects have had an effect on the economy. According to numbers put together by McCarthy & Smith, 2004 bond projects generated more than 70,000 mand-days and more than 563,000 hours of work between April 2005 and October 2009. The work kept nearly 60 people per day working.

While it's tough to say how much money such work generated, McCarthy & Smith officials say it was a lot.

"It's kind of hard to put a number on it," McCarthy & Smith's Underwood said. "But you'd come up with a significant dollar figure."

As the projects continued to get done under budget, administrators began struggling with the question of whether to put the savings toward alleviating the budget problems or fixing things they felt needed fixing.

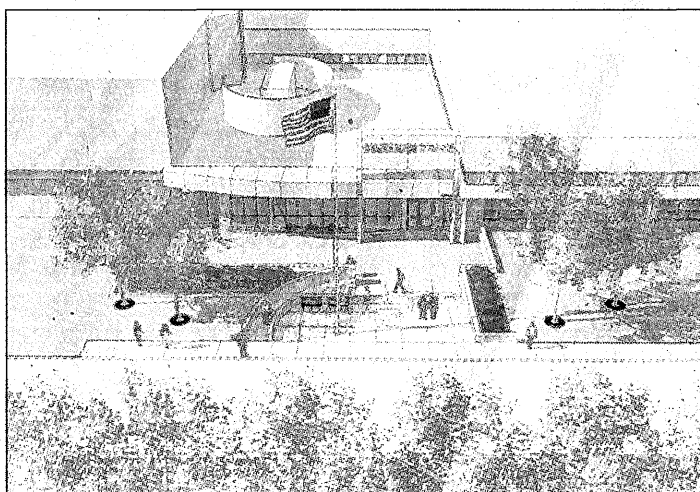
Jacobs said ultimately the decision came down to balancing the two.

"The intent of the bond was to do infrastructure work ... we took care of needs that should take us 15-20 years out," Jacobs said. "We know, given the economy, we're not going to go out for (another) bond for quite awhile. It was important to carve out some funds."

To a board that has cut some \$20 million from its budget over the last eight years, it was important to get that work done under the bond, saving general fund balances for actual education.

"It's everything to us as a struggling district," said Board of Education President Steven Sneedman. "Anything we could save under the bond leaves that much more we can put into the classroom."

bkadrich@hometownlife.com | (313) 222-8899



An artist's rendering of what the entrance to Salem High School may look like when construction is complete.

Salem High School remodel will add new classrooms

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

By this time next year, the 2004 bond should be but a memory.

A renovation of the entrance to Salem High School, the final major project under the \$109 million bond passed by voters five years ago, is underway and should be completed shortly after school starts in 2010.

The \$4.1 million project - which wasn't on the original list - will renovate Salem High School to add 10 classrooms by moving upstairs office space to a rebuilt courtyard near the existing entrance.

"We need the classrooms to accommodate growth," said Ken Jacobs, Plymouth-Canton assistant superintendent. "The high schools have been what's carrying us for enrollment the last few years."

The project, which officials say is not an addition to the building but rather a remodeling of the existing courtyard, moves the upper-floor admin-

istrative area downstairs, and adds the extra classrooms upstairs.

It also creates a distinctive main entrance to the school, something the building had lacked before.

"This project creates a legitimate front door for the school, which it's never had," said John Reibe of TMP, the district's architect.

The front of the building has been closed off, forcing people to find other entries and parking spaces. Getting the work done while school is in session presents the biggest challenge, according to construction officials.

"The biggest challenge is working at the main entrance," said Doug Underwood of McCarthy & Smith. "Student drop-off and visitor parking had to be moved. We've made accommodations for that."

Construction is expected to be complete by September 2010.

bkadrich@hometownlife.com | (313) 222-8899

Check us out on the Web every day at hometownlife.com



WHEN YOUR CHILD NEEDS CARE THAT CAN'T WAIT, U-M CHILDREN'S EMERGENCY DOCTORS ARE HERE 24/7



Sometimes a bump isn't just a bump. When you think your child may need to go to the emergency room, you should know that there are always pediatric emergency doctors at Children's Emergency Services. And, if your child needs further care, U-M has the leaders in all areas of pediatric medicine ready with the latest care and technology available at C.S. Mott Children's Hospital.

U-M CHILDREN'S EMERGENCY SERVICES

- Physicians and nurses with specialty training in pediatric emergency medicine
- Quick care even for not-so-serious situations
- Expert care in trauma, burns, long-term illness and care for critically ill or injured children
- FREE valet parking at the Emergency entrance

Learn more about us - before you need us - www.med.umich.edu/mott/CES





Chieftette champs

The Canton Varsity Chieftettes took second place statewide in the large group Varsity division competition at the Mid-American Pom Pon High Kick Competition at Eastern Michigan University, using the theme 'Bollywood.' The Junior Varsity Chieftettes finished fifth statewide in the Junior Varsity division with their theme of 'The Grinch.'



Salem grad hosts fund-raiser for village

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Salem High School graduate James Leddy has spent the last couple of years serving in the Peace Corps in El Salvador. He was looking forward to a visit home recently when his village, Santiago De Chile, which has become his "home away from home," was ravaged

by mudslides and devastation. So instead of spending his break at home vacationing, Leddy, who also attended Michigan State University, decided he'd rather do something to help his village. He enlisted the help of longtime friend Erin Williams, a fellow member of Salem's Class of 2003, to host a fund-raiser to benefit the village.

The fund-raiser to benefit Santiago De Chile takes place Tuesday, Nov. 24, at the Crow's Nest in Canton. The fund-raiser starts at 6:30 p.m. and features appetizers and a cash bar. Cash donations will be collected, with a \$10 donation suggested at the door. The Salem High School Class of 2003 council is donating the appetizers. "That's his home, and he has become very close and connected to this village," said

Williams, who was vice president of the student council at Salem. "They need help, so we're going to help." Leddy will be on hand to talk about his work with the Peace Corps, as well as the recent tragedy and what needs to be done for the villagers. The Crow's nest is located at 6166 Canton Center Road in Canton. For more information on the fund-raiser, call Williams at (734) 775-0795.

bkadrich@hometownlife.com | (313) 222-8899

Mike's Marketplace
Hours: MON.-SAT. 9-9
SUN. 9-7

38000 Ann Arbor Rd.
Livonia
(734) 464-0330

Your Meat & Deli
Supermarket

HAPPY THANKSGIVING FROM ALL OF US AT MIKE'S
Open Thanksgiving Day
10 am - 3 pm

SALE VALID NOV. 23 - NOV. 25

Grade A 10-22 lb
HONEYSUCKLE TURKEYS 59¢ lb.
Limit 1 with additional \$25 purchase

3 DAYS ONLY

Mike's Famous Fresh
HOLIDAY KIELBASA 2.99 lb.
All Pork ~ No Fillers
Family Pack 5 lbs or more

Boneless, Skinless
CHICKEN BREAST 1.99 lb.
Family Pack

Boneless Butterfly
PORK CHOPS 2.99 lb.

Fresh Ground Beef
GROUND SIRLOIN 2.69 lb.
Family Pack

Frozen Fully Cooked
JUMBO SHRIMP 6.49 lb.
31-40 Ct.

Boneless
NY STRIP STEAKS 5.99 lb.
6 Steak Value Pack

Boneless
STEW BEEF 3.49 lb.

Fresh Ground Beef
GROUND CHUCK 2.19 lb.
Family Pack

Check our website for additional specials! Mikes-marketplace.com

**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE
CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN**
(734) 453-1234

A special meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on Monday, November 23, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI, to consider the following:

Z 09-07 676 Penniman Request for Exception
Temporary Use
Zoned: B-2, Central Business
Applicant: Dana Rybicki

All interested persons are invited to attend.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting/hearing, to individuals with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids or services may be made by writing or calling the following:

Maureen Brodie, ADA Coordinator
201 S. Main Street
Plymouth, MI 48170, (734) 453-1234, Ext. 206

Publish: November 22, 2009

OE0681222-2x3.5

CANTON CINEMA
Ticket Kiosk & Tickets Online
Goodrich 734-844-3456
1 Mile West of IKEA
www.GGTI.com

DETROIT'S BEST MOVIE DEAL
\$4.50 to \$5.25 ALL SEATS
EXCEPT ADULT EVENING not valid for Fathom Events or Digital 3D
ALL LOUNGER SEATS ALL DIGITAL SOUND
ALL STADIUM SEATING

SHOWTIMES 11/20 - 11/24 No passes

THE TWILIGHT SAGA: NEW MOON (PG-13)
11:00, 12:00, 1:40, 2:50, 4:20, 5:45, 7:00,
8:45, 9:40 FRI/SAT LS 11:30

THE BLIND SIDE (PG-13)
11:05, 1:45, 4:25, 7:05, 9:45

3D DISNEY'S A CHRISTMAS CAROL (PG)
1:45, 2:15, 4:40, 6:50, 9:15
FRI/SAT LS 11:30

THE BOX (PG-13)
11:25, 2:00, 4:35, 7:10, 9:50

THE MEN WHO STARE AT GOATS (R)
MON/TUE 12:50, 3:05, 5:15, 7:25, 9:35

PARANORMAL ACTIVITY (R)
FRI/SAT LS 11:50

COUPLES RETREAT (PG-13)
11:15, 1:50, 4:15, 6:45, 9:20

FREQUENT MOVIEGOERS
Sign up at www.ggti.com for the
Frequent Moviegoer Club
Earn points & see movies for a bargain price.

MOVIE GIFT CARDS
available at the box office
New thru Jan. 3
bonus \$1.00 concession coupon
for every \$10.00 in gift cards.

Recycle this newspaper

DWS INC.
9173 GENERAL COURT • PLYMOUTH, MI 48170
734-667-2468

Automotive Detailing 20% off
for November and December
Gift Certificates Available
Pick-up and Delivery Available and
Full Interior and Exterior Bumper to Bumper

Check us out on the Web every day
at hometownlife.com

Fisher Funeral Home
Family Owned and Operated

Traditional Service with Burial
\$2895 includes metal casket, outer burial container, viewing & service

Basic Cremation
\$695 * inclusive of all fees & services
*\$200 additional for Memorial Services

Traditional Service with Cremation
\$2195 includes Casket, facade, viewing & service
Affordable funerals tailored for any budget

24501 Five Mile Road • Redford
313-535-3030
www.fisherfuneral.net

15-Month CD
1.80% APY*

Money Market Account
1.50% APY**

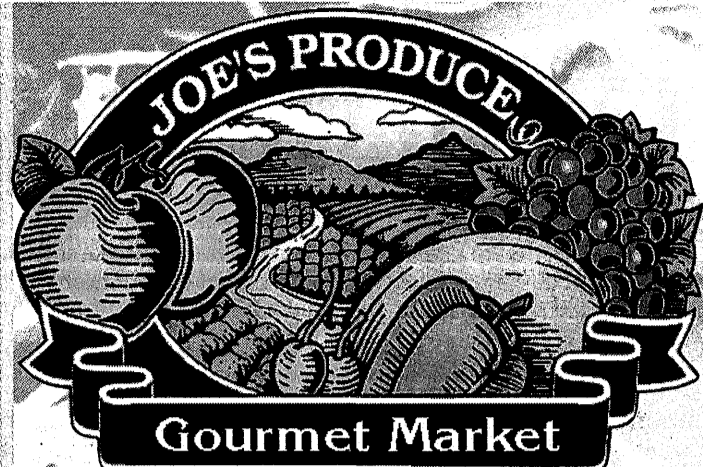
New Liberty Bank
A Bank you can call your own

1333 W. Ann Arbor Rd.
Plymouth
(734) 455-1511
www.newlibertybank.com

EQUAL HOUSING LENDER
MEMBER FDIC

*Annual Percentage Yield (APY) of 1.80% for our 15-month Certificate of Deposit is accurate as of the date of publication. Minimum deposit of \$500.00 required. Account fees could reduce earnings. Penalty may be imposed for early withdrawal. Offer good for a limited time only and subject to change without notice. No brokered deposits accepted.

**Annual Percentage Yield (APY) of 1.50% for our Money Fund account is accurate for daily balances of \$50,000 or more. Account earns 1.25% APY for daily balances between \$25,000 and \$49,999.99; 0.50% APY for daily balances between \$5,000 and \$24,999.99; 0.25% APY for daily balances between 0.01 and \$4,999.99. All rates accurate as of date of publication. Fees could reduce earnings.



Happy Thanksgiving!

Holiday Gourmet Tastefest

Sunday, November 22nd 11am-4 pm

Meet our Culinary & Catering Experts, enjoy delicious food & experience how Joe's Produce can make you an everyday gourmet!

33152 W. SEVEN MILE RD
HOURS: SUNDAY 9-6 • MON, TUES, WED 9-8 • THANKSGIVING CLOSED • FRI & SAT 9-8

LIVONIA, MI

248-477-4333

PRODUCE

California Seedless Clementines

\$5.99
5 lb. box

Louisiana Yams

49¢ lb.

Jumbo Golden Ripe Whole Pineapple

\$2.99 ea.

Ocean Spray Cranberries

2/\$4.00

Michigan Honey Crisp Apples

99¢ lb.

DELI

Alexander Horning Hickory Smoked Bone in Ham Portions

\$1.99 lb.

Boarshead Sweet Slice Ham

\$5.99 lb.
Save \$2.00 a lb.

Dietz & Watson Honey BBQ Chicken & Corned Beef

\$6.99 lb. Save \$3.00 a lb.

Honey Suckle White Turkey

\$3.99 lb.
Save \$3.00 a lb.

Krakus Polish Ham

\$4.99 lb.
Save \$2.00 a lb.

Boarshead Colby & Colby Jack Cheese

\$5.99 lb. Save \$2.00 a lb.

Sara Lee Low Sodium Chicken

\$5.99 lb. Save \$2.00 a lb.

Cranberry Orange Relish

\$3.99 lb.
Save \$2.00 a lb.

Are You Planning Thanksgiving Dinner? Let Joe's Prepare Your Salads, Side Dishes, Desserts, & Hors D'oeuvres Platters.
Call Or Visit Our Website For Prices And To Place Your Orders!

GROCERY

BAKERY

CAFE

Brownberry Stuffing Herb or Sage

2/\$6.00

JOE'S HOME MADE PIES Apple Pie

\$8.99

Joe's In Store Fresh Roasted Coffee Flavor of The Week "Holiday Cookie"

\$5.99 lb. Save \$2.00 a lb.

Freshlike Canned Vegetables

10/\$10 Green Beans, Carrots, Corn & Peas

ORDER NOW FOR THANKSGIVING

Cherry Pie \$10.99

Joe's Fresh Roasted Cinnamon Almonds

\$4.99 lb. Save \$2.00 a lb.

Heinz 12 oz. Gravies

2/\$4.00 All Varieties

Price Reflects \$1.00 Reduction

Pumpkin Pie \$8.99

Nut & Confection Trays Starting at \$7.99

Everyday GOURMET

Sunday Only - November 22nd
Visit Our Prepared Food Department & Place Your Thanksgiving Order & Receive
\$1.00 off all Thanksgiving Side Dishes
\$10.00 off Complete Thanksgiving Meals

Joe's Rotisserie Chicken

\$5.99 lb. Save \$1.00 a lb.

Spiral Glazed Ham

\$6.99 lb. Save \$1.00 a lb.

Cranberry Wild Rice

\$3.99 lb.

Joe's Gourmet Catering & Events!
Call Today To Book Your Holiday Party!!

Relax and enjoy your party this year! Joe's Catering Department will take care of all your party needs with fantastic food, beautiful buffets and outstanding service.

View our catering menu @ www.joesproduce.com or call 248-477-4333 x226

Great for Parties & Football Games
Come in to find all of your Holiday Decorating Needs!

FRESH FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS \$19.99 & up
WREATHS STARTING AT \$18.99 ea.
LARGE POINSETTIAS \$7.99 ea.
HOLIDAY GIFT BASKETS STARTING AT \$14.99 ea.

WINE CELLAR

Joe's now offers personalized food and wine pairing advice by our own Sommelier, Mike Larranaga:
Mon., Tues., Thurs. - Fri. & Sat. 11-4
Evening Appts. also available
Call (248) 302-1567

Bebe Prosecco \$13.99

Robertson Naturally Sweet Red, White & Rose \$6.99

Visit our Sommelier in our Wine Cellar!



Joe's Produce Thanks You for Your Patronage and Wishes You & Yours a Happy Thanksgiving!

Prices good through November 29, 2009

HOMETOWN LIFE

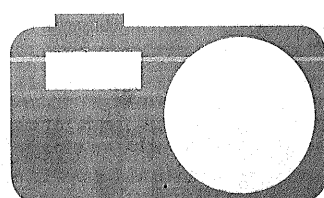


Photo galleries

Online at hometownlife.com

2009-10 BOYS HOCKEY PREVIEW



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Battling to maintain position against DeWitt-St. Johns defenseman Connor Peterson is Canton senior defenseman Rohn Gaudi (No. 21) during Friday's season opener at Canton's Arctic Edge.

Wildcats on the prowl

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Under the watch of third-year head coach Paul Fassbender, Plymouth's varsity boys hockey team is becoming well-schooled in learning the game and what it takes to become an elite team.

Fassbender, in his third year at the Plymouth helm after a dozen seasons coaching at Eastern Michigan University, likes the work ethic, skill and physicality the players are bringing to practices at Compuware Arena.

Will that translate into wins against the Catholic Centrals of the world and postseason glory? Who knows, but Fassbender is prepared to see where the chips land.

"We should be able to put

the puck in the net," said Fassbender following a practice last week at Compuware. "(But) we're going to be a little different defensively, we lost a couple big bodies on defense. We're replacing them with very young guys."

Plymouth (12-10-3 last year in the KLAAs South) opened the 2009-10 season with a Saturday contest at East Kentwood. The home opener is 6:40 p.m. Tuesday against Monroe at Compuware. The nonconference schedule is packed with big challenges, too.

"We had a really good tryout. We had to make very difficult decisions," Fassbender said. "We had a lot of kids come out for the team based on our success the last couple years."

Please see **WILDCATS, B2**

Chiefs could jell into contender

5-4 overtime win gets season off to good start

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Before Friday's season opener, Canton's new varsity boys hockey coach, Jeremy Majszak, talked about "systems" and playing ultimate team hockey — the kind Majszak himself did as a Chiefs forward and captain in the late 1990s.

"Our main motto is '22 guys, one direction,' no one putting themselves in front of the team," Majszak said. "And

having a very, very strong work ethic."

Once the non-league tilt against DeWitt-St. Johns got under way at Canton's Arctic Edge, the talented duo of returning junior forward AJ Rosales and junior forward Riley Hoernschmeyer got to work putting the puck behind DeWitt junior goalkeeper Alex Zuker.

Rosales roofed a feed from Hoernschmeyer at 3:28 to put the Chiefs up 1-0. By the

time the game was seven minutes old, it was 4-0 following another goal from Rosales and two from Hoernschmeyer.

To the dismay of Majszak, however, the early lead perhaps resulted in Canton players not sticking to the game plan. All of a sudden, they couldn't get another puck past Zuker (who played very well after the early onslaught with 36 saves).

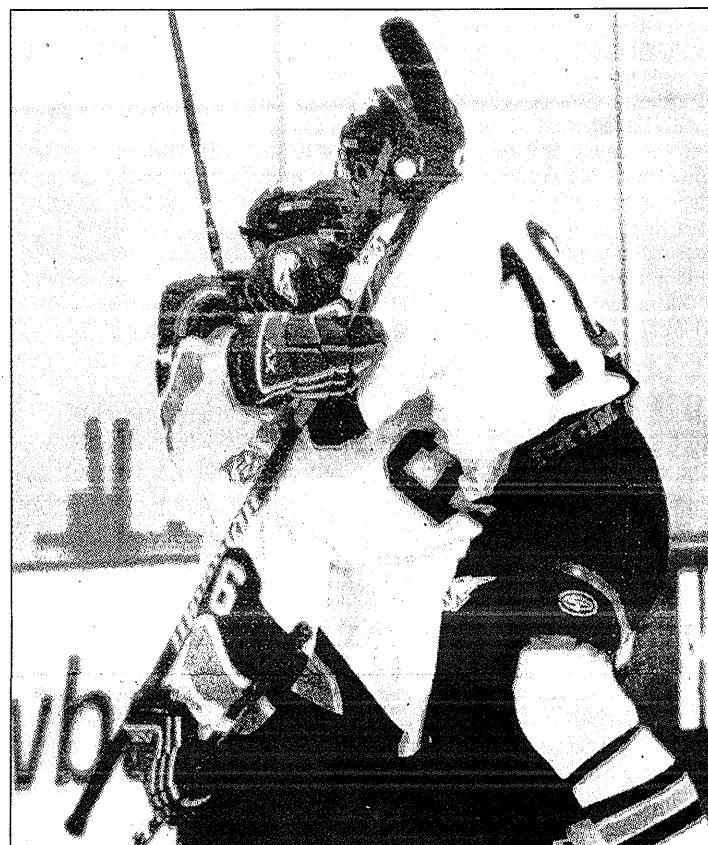
And DeWitt-St. Johns' forechecking caused plenty

of turnovers, leading to four consecutive goals. The last by Lance Rademacher at 11:38 of the third made it 4-4.

In overtime, however, the "Rosales-Hoernschmeyer Show" returned. Following a giveaway, Hoernschmeyer (two goals, two assists) pounced on a puck in the slot and sent a backhand that Zuker sticked aside.

But Rosales (three goals, one

Please see **CHIEFS, B3**



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

The Plymouth varsity boys hockey team hopes to again have these kinds of on-ice celebrations during 2009-10.

Rocks won't be easy to play against

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

With time running down during Thursday's practice at Plymouth Cultural Center, Salem varsity hockey players battled it out in the corner.

Against each other.

But that's by design as Rocks head coach Ryan Ossenmacher is keen on amping up the team's intensity level and ability to take the heat in traffic at both ends of the ice during the 2009-10 season.

That's bad news for KLAAs South rivals, because Salem was no slouch last year. The Rocks went 14-9-2 overall and won the division with a 5-1-1 mark. Twelve players from that team — led by senior captain and defenseman Ryan Blakey — are returning.

"We do a lot of intensity-type drills," said Ossenmacher, whose third season with the team begins Wednesday at Southgate Anderson. "With a 24-game high school season, each game is pretty important, so these guys really know that every shift they have to be 100 percent."

"So we do a lot of things to raise the intensity in practice."

In one drill, the goal was turned



toward the boards in the corner, guarded by a goalie. The defenseman and forward then battled hard for possession in front, resulting in either a

goal or a save.

"Most of the time, any goals that you score are going to come within five feet of the net," Ossenmacher said. "So guys who are going to win those battles with the defensemen are probably going to have the greatest opportunity to score goals."

Defensemen also learn how to fight off pressure down low and clear the zone. "So it works both parts of the game for us," he said.

BUILDING A WINNING CULTURE

The fast-skating Rocks also go into the new season with confidence they can hang with always-tough Livonia Churchill. Last year, Salem defeated Churchill (and then Livonia Franklin) in the final two games to clinch the South.

"It was probably one of the biggest games the program's had," Ossenmacher said.

Salem's worst-to-first renaissance last

season shouldn't be a one-timer, with 12 guys back from that positive experience.

"It should (carry over) because winning is part of an attitude," he said. "The first year and a half that was something we had to break, the condition that maybe you can compete and if you lost it wasn't a big deal. It just happened."

"Now we go into every game expecting to win as opposed to just expecting to compete."

Filling the schedule with non-leaguers against top-notch teams such as Grosse Pointe South, Bloomfield Hills United and Detroit Country Day also should make Salem tougher to play against come districts.

"Everybody makes it to the playoffs," Ossenmacher said. "So you're used to playing those tough games on a daily basis and when you get to the state tournament, it's not a shock."

It wouldn't be a shock to see Salem's top two lines buzzing around the ice and piling up goals, either.

Intact from '08-09 is the top line, which includes senior center and assistant captain Mario Macari, senior forward Josh Jarvela and fourth-year player Kurt Driscoll.

Please see **ROCKS, B3**

LAUREN SEROKA

Captain's CORNER

Who: Lauren Seroka, Salem sophomore, girls swimming co-captain.

Miscellany: Seroka, 15, carries a 4.0 grade-point average. Her parents are Todd and Lisa Seroka. As a freshman, she took All-State honors in two swim events and capped off the year by being named to the 2008 All-KLAA and All-Observerland first teams. She competed this weekend in her second Division 1 state meet.

Captain's job: "The role of a captain includes many things, such as setting team expectations, promoting team spirit, settling any team disputes, being a positive role model and leading by example. We also lead team meetings, and work with the coach to make sure everyone is doing what



they are supposed to."

Leadership style: "I would say my style of leadership to lead by example. I have a strong work ethic and try to be a positive leader."

Why her?: "Actually our coach selects the team captains. I feel honored that he chose me to be a captain as a sophomore."



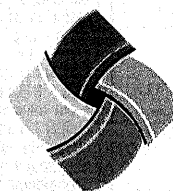
Your Keys to the Right Mortgage

- Great Rates
- Low Fees
- Local Lenders

\$100 Off Closing Costs
See Mortgage Specialist for details.

We can help you buy your first home or re-finance an adjustable loan.

Make your appointment today!



COMMUNITY FINANCIAL

MORTGAGE SERVICES

(734) 582-8500

www.cfcu.org

PLYMOUTH CANTON NORTHVILLE NOVI

Your savings federally insured by NCUA. Equal Housing Lender. ©2009 Community Financial

Hear electronic music at Schoolcraft College Dec. 3

You know what an orchestra is. You know what a choir is. Find out what an electronic music ensemble is at the Electronic Music Summit, 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 3, at the VisiTech Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. Admission is \$5.

Michigan's three higher education electronic music groups will perform. Wayne State University's group has created a piece based on the seasons and associated colors. The University of Michigan's group is creating a performance artwork incorporating musical furniture. They also will perform a composition by Pauline Oliveras incorporating color wheels and Mylar.

Schoolcraft's group will perform original student compositions and holiday music with 3D animation. Everyone in the audience will receive commemorative 3D glasses.

Electronic music is barely a century old, and the technology that defines it is in constant flux. It has no core repertoire, no pedagogy, no traditions. Electronic music ensembles in higher education vary widely in style and substance, and are usually defined by the vision of their individual directors.

Thomas Court, who leads WSU's electronic music group, has been involved in electronic music since 1974 when his Electronic Music Laboratories

introduced modular synthesis to the world of music producers. An active composer and sound designer, Court has been at WSU since 1998.

Stephen Rush of the U-M is a versatile composer and jazz musician. His music has premiered on five continents, he has recorded more than 20 CDs, and he's written a book on jazz theology.

Barton Polot of Schoolcraft College is a pianist, composer and software developer. He has been director and a guiding force of the annual Michigan Music Technology Conference in Grand Rapids.

For more information call Schoolcraft College at (734) 462-4400.

A smart senior's guide to flu season

Those over 50 need to be immunized against seasonal flu. That's the most important step most older people can take to get safely through the flu season, says Karen Hall, M.D., Ph.D., a University of Michigan Geriatrics Center specialist.

And here's a lesser known fact: Older people who come down with flu-like symptoms should stay home, but promptly contact their primary care physician to carefully monitor their symptoms. They may be priority candidates for antiviral drugs, usually best started within 48 hours of the flu's onset, to make their flu less severe and complications less likely.

"If you have a high fever, cough, sore throat and muscle aches, don't wait. Call your health care provider and describe your symptoms," says Hall, a U-M associate professor of geriatric medicine.

"Anyone with shortness of breath or chest pain should go to an emergency room."

Hall says the first step in getting seasonal flu or H1N1 vaccinations is to contact your primary care doctor to arrange for the vaccinations recommended for you. If you

are a candidate for one or both types of flu vaccine but your doctor has none available, ask to be put on a waiting list.

Some stores, including Meijer, Kroger and Target, offer flu vaccinations, except when vaccines are in short supply as they have been recently. Check to be sure a store has vaccine available.

"It's important to get vaccinated against seasonal flu now, or as soon as possible," says Hall. Seasonal flu is already circulating in the community.

For those middle-aged and older, advice on who should be vaccinated for each type of flu depends on your health status and your age. Here's a breakdown about who should get which vaccinations:

■ Seasonal flu vaccine: All people 50 or older are more likely to be severely affected and should get vaccinated.

■ Pneumonia vaccine: if you are over 65, or are under age 65 and have a health condition that puts you at higher risk, ask your doctor about getting a pneumonia vaccination. This vaccine is widely available and protects against the most common form of pneumonia. Booster pneumonia vaccina-

tions are needed every five to seven years.

■ H1N1 vaccine: If you are age 49-64 and have certain health conditions that put you at greater risk, ask your doctor about an H1N1 flu shot. Conditions include chronic lung conditions such as emphysema and asthma, immune disorders, cardiovascular disorders, diabetes, lung and liver disorders, neurological disorders and kidney disorders.

People over 64 aren't eligible for H1N1 vaccine, because they are the most likely to already have some immunity due to earlier exposure to a similar flu strain.

Tips to avoid catching the flu:

■ Wash hands or use a hand sanitizer frequently.

■ Avoid touching your nose, eyes and mouth.

■ Practice good health habits: Get plenty of sleep, eat nutritiously, drink fluids and exercise.

■ Avoid crowds and contact with people who are sick. If grandchildren or other children in your life have a flu-like illness, avoid seeing them until about 72 hours after they've stopped having symptoms.



AMERICA'S BODYSHOP

BLACK FRIDAY SALE!

10-50% OFF EVERYTHING!

Valid Monday, November 23 thru Saturday, November 28, 2009.

Valid only at 32630 Ford Road location only. Must present this ad at time of written estimate. Expires 11-28-09.

Specializing in:

- Lease Turn-in Repair
- Expert Collision Repair
- Spot Paint & Panel Repair
- Seamless Spot Repair

Open Mon.-Fri. 8am-5pm
Saturday 10am-Noon



FOR EXAMPLE... Our Presidential Service

Regular	399⁹⁵
Integrated Clearcoat	99⁹⁵
Value Prep	129⁹⁵
Total	629⁹⁵
at 1/2 OFF Your Final Price... 315⁰⁰	

HURRY OFFER ENDS 11-28-09
See Store for Details.

GARDEN CITY

32630 Ford Rd.
734-522-1111

*Trucks, Vans, SUVs and commercial vehicles by estimate. Body work, rust repair & stripping of old paint extra. Not valid with any other offer. Maaco Collision Repair & Auto Painting centers are independent franchises of MAACO Franchising, Inc. Prices, hours & services may vary.

GARDEN CITY
HOSPITAL
FOUNDATION
gchosp.org

Thank you

Universe Title Sponsor

National City

Now a part of PNC

and supporting Corporate Sponsors for making Garden City Hospital's 18th Annual Fall Fundraiser a success.

Corporate Sponsors

A3C-Collaborative Architecture

CareTech Solutions

Complete Infusion Services, LLC

Feikens, Stevens, Kennedy & Galbraith, P.C.

Guardian Environmental Services

Hall, Render, Killian, Heath & Lyman, PLLC

Independent Emergency Physicians, P.C.

Lucent Surgical

MA Engineering

Merry, Farnen & Ryan, P.C.

Midwest Cardiology Associates, P.C.

Osteopathic Medical Oncology and Hematology

Rapid Response EMS

Rehabilitation Physicians, P.C.

Soave Enterprises, LLC

South Oakland Gastroenterology Associates

Southfield Radiology Associates

Spalding DeDecker Associates, Inc.

Sterling Cleaning Services

Stevenson Keppelman Associates

Strategic Partners, Inc.

Structural Design, Inc.

Total Health Care, Inc.

United Home Health Services



NEIGHBORS

Alumni to gather for tribute to choir director

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
CORRESPONDENT

In less than an hour Jerry Smith was expecting the wonderful aura of excitement to return to the music room at First Presbyterian Church in Plymouth.

On Oct. 4, the Livonia resident had been amazed by the number of former students eager to attend the first rehearsal for the Homecoming Celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Concert Choir at Bentley High School in Livonia. Smith never imagined that nearly 600 of his students would respond to an invitation to sing at the event when son-in-law Ron Moon put out the call on classmates.com nearly two years ago.

Close to 150 showed up for the second rehearsal Nov. 1, sending Smith's spirits soaring. His face beamed with pride that so many would pay tribute to him at the Nov. 28 event which not only celebrates the 50th anniversary but his 75th birthday, as well. The festivities will include a strolling dinner, performances and recording of an alumni CD and DVD at Burton Manor in Livonia.

Smith founded and directed the choirs from 1959 until the school closed in 1985. He incorporated several of the traditions from his days singing with the University of Michigan Men's Glee Club into the Bentley vocal music program including a series of concerts in Europe. At U-M he learned the best ensembles were highly disciplined and held to practices that built camaraderie. Smith incorporated the rehearsal parties,

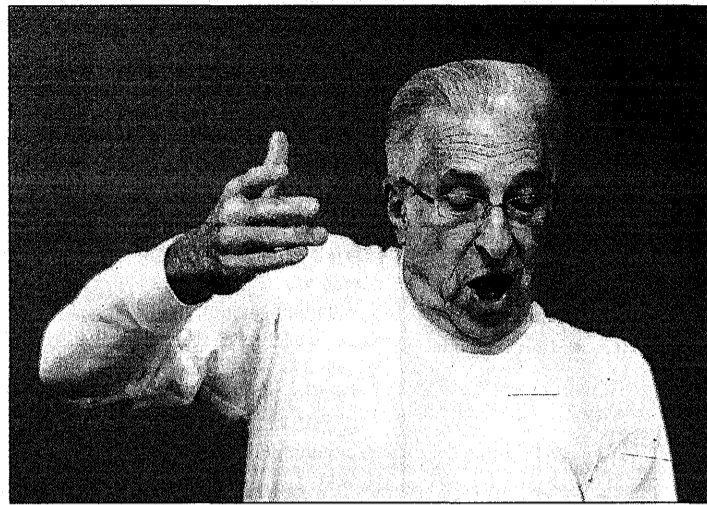


Sharon and Jerry Smith share a passion for music.

initiations, formal ceremonies, banquets and awards into the high school's choir experience along with a grading system that required voice and music reading tests for every marking period. He also envisioned an elite ensemble that students could aspire to: the Concert Choir.

COMMON INTEREST

Smith's wife Sharon observed the growth of the vocal music department early from the beginning. Shortly after moving to Livonia a fellow student encouraged her to try out on piano for the variety show. She did and the rest is history, says Jerry. He asked



Jerry Smith rehearses with his former Bentley choir students.



Jerry Smith rehearses with former students while his wife, Sharon, accompanies on piano.

her to accompany the choir. From January 1960 for the next 2 1/2 years she joined the choir on stage with the man who would become her husband.

"I played *Deep Purple*. I didn't know what an encore

was so I played the same song again," said Sharon (Hubbs) Smith laughing.

It's obvious that after 45 years of marriage the couple is still in love. The choir for many years was their common denominator. Even though she went away to Belmont College in Nashville, a fire continued to burn brightly between them. Sharon wrote to Jerry and to his surprise he wrote back. He'd received letters from former students before but never had time with his busy school schedule to answer them.

"We're both Christians and loved music, both of our families were from the south," said Sharon. "When I came home for Christmas we went on a hayride with the choir. During spring break he proposed."

HARMONIOUS MARRIAGE

The couple was married June 27, 1964 in Friendship Baptist Church in Lincoln Park, the only church large enough to hold the 800 guests.

A choir of his former students sang along with friends espousing the couple's love in the songs they wrote to each other. In 1973, they moved to Livonia where he founded the Creative and Performing Arts Program at Churchill High School and annually directs the music for the Livonia Prayer Breakfast.

"It was easy to fall in love with her because I respected her," said Jerry. "It has been wonderful. We're an unusual couple. I'm nine years older than Sharon and was driven. We had enough differences so we were never bored."

Before they married however Sharon wanted to know who would be number one — her or Bentley's vocal music department. Sharon had witnessed firsthand his overwhelming dedication to students resulting in countless hours spent away from home. "He changed," said Sharon. "There were no surprises. He's a planner, organized. He's a good dad. Our son and him go to U of M games together. He does stuff with his daughters. He made time for family. The kids were part of everything we did."

ACTIVE IN CHURCH

The three Smith children sang in choirs, at church and school, under the direction of their father. Jerry was choir director at Ward Presbyterian Church, first in Livonia then Northville for nearly three decades. Sharon was the accompanist.

"We were a team, toured with Ward Youth Choir," said Sharon. "He always tried to get

Please see **ELEMENTS, B7**

THE PARK
LIVING



"I USED TO WONDER IF MOM WAS LONELY NOW SHE HAS MORE FRIENDS THAN I DO."

If your mom lives by herself, it's only natural to worry about her during the course of your day. After all, you remember a time when she was constantly on the go. Nowadays, she stays home more and more. You find yourself constantly wondering: Is she lonely? Is she safe? Is she happy?

Help quiet your worries by looking into senior living at **The Park at Trowbridge**. Many seniors are energized with a whole new zest for life as they socialize with people their own age, people they can relate to.

At **The Park at Trowbridge**, you'll enjoy rediscovering the things you've always loved to do like exploring the Detroit Institute of Art, shopping at the Somerset Collection or taking in a movie at the Palladium.

See for yourself why seniors living at **The Park at Trowbridge** experience an invigorating sense of independence, freedom and optimism.

Your story continues here...

The Park at Trowbridge
24TH Civic Center Drive
Southfield, MI 48033

For more information or to visit, call today!
(248) 352-0208

HORIZON BAY
LIVING

www.horizonbay.com

Sleep Well This Holiday- And All Year Long:

Yes, You Can Buy a Good Night's Sleep at the New Pure Sleep Store in Canton.
By Elena Diverno

It sounds too good to be true: spend 30 minutes at Pure Sleep and you'll sleep better every night. But hundreds of people have already discovered the great benefits of the unique "sleep diagnostic system" offered at the new Art Van Pure Sleep store on Ford Road in Canton.

This first of its kind, standalone store offers a unique diagnostic system that fits the right "sleep system" to each individual person. The sleep system is a three-part solution that includes the proper mattress and foundation for proper support and comfort, the correct pillow to ensure correct spinal alignment, and a mattress protector to provide a clean and healthy sleeping environment.

"The #1 reason for poor sleep is stress, closely followed by the tossing and turning that comes from the wrong mattress or pillow. If you aren't waking up feeling refreshed and renewed, you are probably sleeping on the wrong mattress" said Vice President of Operations Steve Glucksman. "In just a few minutes, our sleep diagnostic system fits you with the right mattress, foundation and pillow for your own unique body and sleep style. It takes the guess work out of choosing a mattress and brings in the science of sleep."

The National Sleep Foundation reports that 60% of us have sleep disturbance two or more nights each week, and 40% struggle with poor performance at work and drowsiness during the day because of sleep problems. In addition issues caused by weight gain, heart disease, arthritis, back pain and more can be lessened by having a good night's sleep along with proper diet and exercise.

"The staff at Pure Sleep is specially trained and committed to finding the right sleep system to give you a great night's sleep and get you on your way to better health" said Glucksman.

But what about the cost? "Rest assured, we have the buying power of Michigan's #1 Mattress Retailer, Art Van - guaranteeing the lowest prices, best selection and complete satisfaction for every person we serve."

This holiday, the perfect gift just might be a new mattress, giving you a better night's sleep all year long.

Visit Art Van Pure Sleep This Week

FREE SLEEP DIAGNOSTIC TEST

Save 20% off selected Sleep Accessories and Gifts

Save 50% off selected mattresses

See store for details.

41913 Ford Rd, Canton
Just west of I-275
across the street from IKEA
(734) 983-9100

Store Hours
Open Daily 11am-9pm
Sunday 11am-6pm
Visit PureSleep Today For The Best Rest of Your Life.

Art Van PureSleep
Because you can't have a great day—without a great night

Sleep to Live | SUTURA | Sealy | COMFORT | LAURA ASHLEY HOME | Simmons | TEMPUR-PEDIC

REUNION CALENDAR

The Reunion Calendar runs Sundays in the paper as space allows, and online in its entirety at www.hometownlife.com. Submit your announcement at least two weeks in advance to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@hometownlife.com.

hometownlife.com. Got a photo of your graduating class? Maybe a prom photo or some other special moment? Send it along, too, as a jpg attachment.

Cody High School

Classes of 1955-58
Holiday lunch, 1 p.m. Dec. 21, at Monaghan K of C Hall, 19801 Farmington Road, Livonia. Contact: Vera at (734) 591-1305 or Irene at (248) 489-0415.

Detroit Pershing Class of 1960
50th reunion festivities in September 2010 will be held at the Doubletree Guest Suites Fort Shelby in downtown Detroit. For more information call Sherry Forbush (Sharon Bailey) at (248) 994-0664 or Joan Harrington (Mazey) at (734) 595-7508.

Detroit St. Brigid Class of 1959
Planning a reunion and looking for classmates. Contact szonyek@att.net with any information about classmates.

Farmington High School Class of 1970
Planning reunion in 2010. Seeking classmates. Join the group on Facebook by searching Farmington High School Class of 1970 Reunion. Or e-mail Carla Campbell Lehn at dblhn@aol.com.

Fordson High School Class of 1984
25-year reunion, 6 p.m.-midnight, Saturday, Nov. 28, Burton Manor in Livonia. Cost is \$65 per person and includes dinner, dancing/DJ, and full bar. A photographer will be on-site taking and selling group and individual photos. Invitations will be mailed out in October. E-mail Michele (Tonna) Belczak at michele-bel@sbcbglobal.net or Melanie (Monaghan) Scharboneau at mscharboneau@yahoo.com to provide current mailing address.

Garden City High School Class of 1960
Mini-reunion luncheons held the second Saturday of every month at 1 p.m. in the banquet room in the Plymouth Denny's on Ann Arbor Road, east of I-275. Call Gary Simon at (734) 751-4101 or send e-mail to GCHS.MCMLX@yahoo.com.

Garden City West Class of 1970
40th reunion on Saturday, Oct. 9, 2010 at Hawthorne Valley Country Club in Westland. Dinner and DJ included for \$50 per person. Classmates from the

classes of 1968-1972 also cordially invited to attend. For more information, call Larry Conn at (734) 788-5254.

Dearborn Heights Haston High Class of 1965
45-year reunion, 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. July 24, 2010; Contact Pat Beadle-Kopczyk, 3334 Kneeland Circle, Howell, MI 48843, at (517) 552-1182 or e-mail to her at patkopczyk@aol.com

Ladywood Class of 1984
25th reunion, Dec. 26; for information e-mail to Sara Czarnecki Levitsky at saralevitsky@comcast.net

Livonia Bentley Classes of 1968-1970
Combined class reunion Friday, Nov. 27, 2009, at the Radisson Hotel Detroit-Livonia, I-275 and Six Mile. For details, visit www.bentley686970.org to e-mail, or call Connie (Scarlett) Flynn class of 1968 at (734) 812-7936, Bev (Valentine) Wilkie class of 1969 at (248) 366-6492 or Colleen Siembor class of 1970 at (734) 455-1395.

Classes of '78, '79, '80
Combo-Class Reunion Friday,

Nov. 27, at St. Mary's Cultural Center, 18100, Livonia. Tickets are \$50 before Nov. 1 and \$60 after. Doors open at 6 p.m. The event includes food, live music and an open bar. Visit www.bentleyclassof1979.com. Contact bentleyclassof78@yahoo.com or call John at (734) 358-3272.

Livonia Franklin Class of 1979
30-year reunion, 7 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 28, at the Radisson Hotel, Livonia. For information call Sharon at (734) 261-3264 or e-mail to Mary Porretta Loveley at porrem@kellyservices.com

Livonia Stevenson Class of 1979
30th reunion, 6 p.m., Nov. 28, at Station 885, 995 Starkweather, Plymouth. Tickets cost \$35 per person before Nov. 14 and \$50 per person after the date and at the door. Contact Lisa Falk at lisannefalk@comcast.net

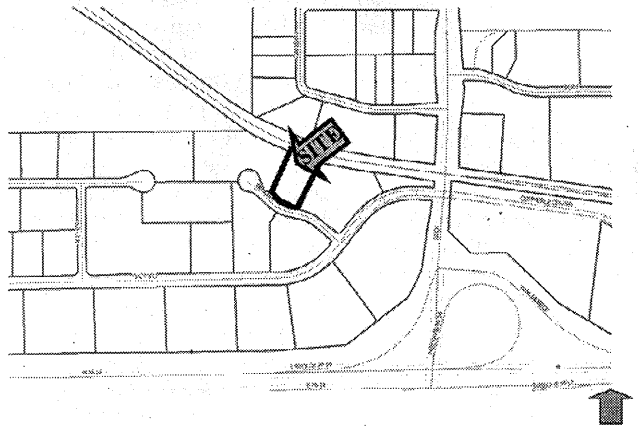
Oak Park High School Class of 1980
30th reunion, July 2-4, 2010; for information e-mail to ophighschool1980@yahoo.com

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
PLANNING COMMISSION

PROPOSED ACTION: REQUEST APPROVAL OF A SPECIAL LAND USE
DATE OF HEARING: Wednesday, December 9, 2009
TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 P.M.
PLACE OF HEARING: Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Road

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Commission of Plymouth Charter Township has received a petition from Rainbow Rehabilitation Centers requesting Special Land Use Approval for a physical therapy center in a TAR, Technology and Research District, pursuant to Zoning Ordinance No. 99, Section 18.2.1, on Tax ID R-78-008-01-0002-302. The property is located at 14328 Genoa Court.

Application 2019
Applicant, Rainbow Rehabilitation Centers



LEGAL DESCRIPTION: For parcel descriptions, see tax records based on Tax ID No. R-78-008-01-0002-302. The property is located 14328 Genoa Court.

The application may be examined at the Plymouth Township Division of Public Services, Community Development Department, during regular business hours from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting and may be mailed to 9955 N. Haggerty Rd., Plymouth, MI 48170 or call 734-354-3270, ext. 6. The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall which is located at 9955 N. Haggerty Rd., Plymouth Township, MI 48170.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: The Charter Township of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at all Township meetings to individuals with disabilities at the meetings/hearings upon one week notice to the Charter Township of Plymouth by writing or calling the Supervisor's Office, 9955 N. Haggerty Rd., Plymouth, MI 48170. Phone 734-354-3201. TDD users: 800-849-3777 (Michigan Relay Service).

KENDRA BARBERENA, SECRETARY
PLANNING COMMISSION

Publish: November 22, 2009

Slim-N-Fit Boot Camp

Lose Inches, Burn Fat, Have FUN!!!

2 Weeks FREE*

6 Week Weight Loss Program that burns 9x more fat than regular aerobics!

Puts you in a fat-burning state for 24-48 hrs.

*Coupon expires 12-17-09. One coupon per person.

Visit www.healthandmotion.net


@ Center Court Sports • 7171 N. Haggerty • Canton, MI
For More Information Call 248-987-4107



Support Canton Goodfellows

The Canton Public Library will accept nonperishable food items noon to 6 p.m. today (Sunday) to help the Canton Goodfellows collect holiday food for local families in need. Items may be dropped off in the library's community room.

KNOW THE SCORE
check out the numbers in today's **SPORTS** section



Come see....

THE GLORY OF CHRISTMAS

2009


"...it's Better than Broadway!"

SHOW TIMES
DEC 3 & 10 - 7:30P
DEC 4 & 11 - 7:30P
DEC 5 & 12 - 1:00P
DEC 6 & 13 - 3:00P & 7:30P


TICKETS
\$16 & \$18 (INCLUDES SERVICE & HANDLING FEES)
NORTHRIDGECHURCH.COM/GOC OR CALL 888.4GOCTIX (888.446.2849)

PLEASE NOTE
DUE TO THE LENGTH OF THE SHOW (2 1/2 HRS), CHILDREN UNDER 4 YEARS WILL NOT BE ADMITTED!

49555 NORTH TERRITORIAL, PLYMOUTH, MI 48170 734.414.7777 NORTHRIDGECHURCH.COM



NorthRidge Church





Members of the soprano section rehearse for the reunion concert on Nov. 28.

PHOTOS BY ANN ESPINOZA

Homecoming sure to be grandest Bentley party

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
CORRESPONDENT

All around the room, all that could be heard was Dr. Smith this and Dr. Smith that. The chatter seemed naturally to focus on the man who shaped their lives.

For 26 years, except for one when he went on sabbatical to earn a doctorate, Jerry Smith instilled discipline in Bentley High School choir students. On Nov. 28, they'll reunite and pay tribute to Smith at the Homecoming Celebration at Burton Manor in Livonia.

In the meantime they were about to rehearse Christmas songs they'd come to know so well during their time with him in Concert Choir, the elite ensemble for vocal students at Bentley High School in Livonia from 1960 to 1985.

Dian Segal carried the lessons with her into the business world as human resources director for UPS for 20 years. The Livonia woman retired only when her kidneys started failing. She's worked on the committee for the Nov. 28 event for nearly two years and plans to be there as she awaits a transplant.

SEASONAL FAVORITES

Along with enjoying a strolling dinner and silent auction of memorabilia, nearly 600 former Concert Choir members will rehearse then record favorites such as the *It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year*, *Silver Bells*, *Do You Hear What I Hear?*, Johnny Mathis's *Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire* (*The Christmas Song*), *Mary Had a Baby*, Handel's *Hallelujah Chorus*, *O Holy Night*, and *The Prayer*, an original by Smith.

The 16-member committee has rented a 9-foot grand piano for special alumni guests, such as concert pianist and composer Clifford Smith. Several professional musicians will be performing including Heidi Hepler who's sung everything from opera to jazz and now lives in New York.

"It's a chance to reunite with old friends and do something we all believe in (the Bentley vocal music department)," said Segal. "Dr. Smith taught me structure and organization. I don't want to say he was strict but he had rules and we followed those rules. If you were late, you were docked, chewing gum, doctored, not sitting up straight, doctored, but rules

paid off and made us successful. Imagine 100 people trying to sing together without rules."

RECORDING THE MUSIC

Committee member Lawrence Zanes says he's on the phone almost daily with former students who want to come and pay tribute to Smith for the impact he made on their lives. On Nov. 28, they'll assemble to rehearse before recording a CD. They've hired a DVD editor and are using four cameras to capture the performance.

"We'll have memorable music with Christmas trees and collage posters of every choir on display, separate tables for years, videos of past years," said Smith.

Kurt Meyer, a 1982 graduate sang in the Concert Choir of 1981-82. His sister Kim Alderman sang with Smith as well.

"It's an opportunity to revisit with some old classmates, to sing with excellent voices," said Meyer, a Livonia resident. "My sister and I sing with the Livonia Civic Chorus that my dad started in 1969 and I sang with Dr. Smith in church choir also."

Alumni from as far away as Austria and the Virgin Islands are coming for the Nov. 28 Homecoming Celebration.



Soprano Rachelle (Beaupre) Vick sings.

CHOIR
FROM PAGE B5

an accompanist, but when he couldn't I would fill in. I would take whatever child was home with me and set them down next to the piano with a coloring book and crayons.

Jerry is now in music ministry at First Presbyterian in Plymouth where daughter Carole Moon directs the children's choir and Sharon is the assistant organist/accompanist. Daughter Kimberly Swan is a professional musician. Son Darrell is a builder who loves to sing.

The Smiths have five grandchildren. Together as a family they will sing the Concert

Choir theme song, *We Have This Moment Today*. A portion of the Nov. 28 program features former students who've gone on to sing professionally like Heidi Hepler, a vocalist/lyricist with the ability to perform everything from opera to jazz. Sharon's women's ensemble, The Fifth Season, with members from several area churches, also will take to the stage at Burton Manor in Livonia.

"It's going to be so nostalgic," said Sharon with tears in her eyes.

The Homecoming Celebration takes place 5 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 28, at Burton Manor in Livonia. Tickets are \$50. Call Tommi Mozier West at (734) 421-5795 or Lawrence Zane (734) 347-8810. www.bentleychoirs.com.

ADOPT A GREYHOUND

Dream and Jill are the featured adoptable greyhounds from Greyheart Greyhound Rescue and Adoption this week.

Here's what volunteers say about these graceful dogs:

Dream is a 2 1/2-year-old brindle colored female greyhound. She is a little shy and would love to be adopted into a somewhat quiet home. She currently is living in a foster home with a couple of cats and two greyhounds. She loves playing with toys. She never owned a toy before and has discovered how much fun it is to toss them in the air and play. Take a look at the organization's Web site (www.greyheart.org) for another adorable picture of Dream.

Jill recently left the racetrack for the good life and is looking for a family to call her own. She's stunningly beautiful, with a black shiny coat and the most soulful eyes that will just draw you in. She's 3 years old and is very curious about her new life in a real home. She's very energetic and learning the in's and out's of living with a family. She's also very affectionate and loves to give kisses.

"Greyhounds are an alluring breed with a gentle personality that tends to draw a crowd wherever they go," says Jackie Bowen,



Jill is a former racing dog.



Dream is a little shy.

Greyheart member. If you're interested in meeting Dream or Jill, call Greyheart Greyhound

Rescue and Adoption at (866) 438-4739 and check out the Web site at www.greyheart.org.

IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

PLAY BASKETBALL

The Livonia Recreation Department is registering teams now for a Men's Basketball League that will start play in early January 2010. Cost is \$400 per team plus nonresident and officials fees per game.

To sign up or for more information, call (734) 466-2410.

BENEFIT DINNER

Papa Vino's Italian Kitchen is teaming up with Our Lady of Sorrows in Farmington to help raise money for its athletic committee.

The restaurant, 17107

Haggerty, Northville, will donate 10 percent of dining checks generated from 4-10 p.m., Monday, Nov. 23, to Our Lady of Sorrows. To be eligible, the check must be accompanied by a copy of the "Papa's Partners" event voucher. Reservations are recommended.

To find out more or to obtain a Papa's Partners event voucher, call Carolyn Malzone at (248) 408-7387.

Our Lady of Sorrows is at 24040 Raphael, Farmington. Our Lady of Sorrows school provides preschool, half-day and full-day kindergarten and grades one through eight.

Unique glasses help vision impaired see better

Low vision doctors Sheldon Smith and Donald Haiderer prescribe spectacle aids for the visually impaired.

Vision loss is devastating, stealing independence and quality of life. The good news is many determined people have begun to fight back.

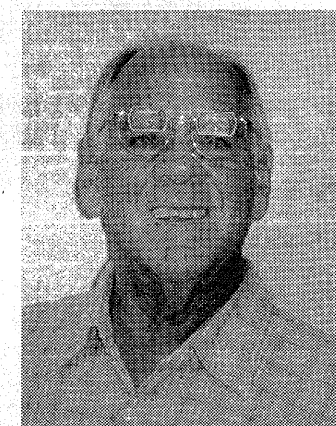
Desmond Roberts lost his license to drive. He saw Dr. Sheldon Smith of Low Vision of Michigan desperate to maintain independent driving. With telescopic driving glasses prescribed by Dr. Smith his license was reinstated.

"My life ended at my front door, but this gave my life back," said Roberts. "You saved my life."

David Welch sought to read without hand magnifiers and drive with confidence. The doctor prescribed one pair for driving and another for

reading. "No other specialists helped me like Dr. Smith," said Welch, moved to tears by seeing better.

"Today we make glasses that noticeably improve sight," said Dr. Smith. "They can be taken anywhere, unlike electronic table-top magnifiers. And unlike magnifiers, spectacles are hands free."



David Welch with driving glasses

"We prescribe surgical quality telescopes for sight loss," said Dr. Don Haiderer of Low Vision of Michigan. "They are custom focused for simplicity

of use so your eyes see the best they can. Details look bigger, closer and easier to make out."

Urgency is critical to success. Prompt treatment gives better outcomes. There is no advantage in waiting to get worse. Whether reading or driving, the best time to start is early, with milder devices. If necessary, using stronger devices comes easier after mastering mild ones.

We help people with mild, moderate and severe vision loss. Every situation is unique. Special reading glasses start at \$600 and custom telescopes start from \$1800.

Patients and referring physicians are welcome to review their situation or schedule an appointment. We can help. Call Low Vision of Michigan to find out how.

TOLL FREE:
877-677-2020

Low Vision of Michigan

Located throughout Michigan:
Livonia, Warren, Grand Rapids, Saginaw, Port Huron, Okemos, Fenton, Burton, Lambertville

Dr. Sheldon Smith and Dr. Don Haiderer
low vision optometrists
www.suburbaneyecare.com

Need Help?
Not sure where to turn for answers regarding:

Loan Modification
Credit Repair
Property Tax Appeals
Property Short Sale
Refinancing

I help responsible homeowners, undergoing serious hardships in this recession, keep their homes, save on their property taxes and repair their credit.
Call Sam at 313-378-0484 or feel free to email any questions to me at Sam@theassessorgroup.com

The Assessor Group-Livonia
www.theassessorgroup.com

OE09061507

ENGAGEMENT

Thompson-Koziol

Dennis and Sandy Thompson of Northville, Janet Whitson of Redford Township and Walter and Jeannie Koziol of Highland Township announce the engagement of Laura Thompson and Andrew Koziol.

The bride-to-be attended Northville High School and Eastern Michigan University.

The groom-elect attended Detroit Catholic Central High School and Michigan State University.

The couple plans a May 2010 wedding in Northville.



Laura Thompson and Andrew Koziol

MILESTONES



Five generations

Great-great-grandma Maryanne Galutira of Garden City holds Wednesday Yuchasz. Next to Maryanne is great-grandma Janet Yuchasz, followed by the baby's mother, Kayla Yuchasz, and grandma Diane Schnider.

Passages Obituaries, Memorials & Remembrances 1-800-579-7355 • fax 313-496-4968 email: oeobits@hometownlife.com

RAE HAFNER BALLENTINE

There will be a memorial service celebrating the life of Rae Hafner Ballentine on Saturday Nov. 28 at 1:00PM at St. James Episcopal Church in Birmingham, MI.

DORIS HAMMOND FEDUS

Age 98 of Petoskey, MI and formerly of Livonia, died November 13, 2009 at the home. A memorial celebration was held on Friday November 20th from 1-4pm at the Stafford's Bay View Inn in Petoskey with the service being held at 2:30pm.



FRANCES GARRISON BRAMBLETT

Born November 25, 1916 Passed November 20, 2009

Frances Bramblett slipped gracefully into heaven with her loving children by her side at Hospice of Beaumont Hospital following a stroke, just five days shy of her 93rd birthday.

Both Frances and Earl were very active in the First Baptist Church of Birmingham, Michigan, where they served on the Board of Deacons and The Board of Trustees.

Frances and Earl both loved to play bridge and golf. Earl was an extremely accomplished golfer, with seven holes-in-one to his credit, and a handicap of seven when he passed.

The bases of Frances' life were, her love and relationship with Earl, and her deep and abiding Christian faith in god and her personal Lord and savior, Jesus Christ.

After Earl's passing in 1976, Frances was very lonely and missed him tremendously, but kept her faith and was a shining example of it.

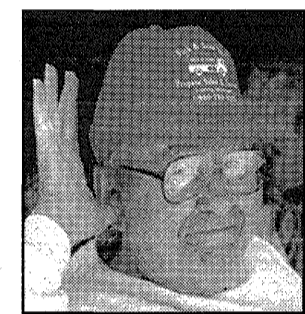
She is survived by her children Bonnie Swift (James Langbehn, dec.) of Fairfax, CA, Billy Bramblett (Alicia Keshishian) of Petaluma, CA; grandchildren Josh Swift (Lori) of Erie, CO, Melissa Ohara (Mike) of Petaluma, CA, Sarah Swift-Langbehn of San Anselmo, CA, and Simone Swift-Langbehn of San Francisco, CA; and great-grandchildren Cade and Donovan Swift, and Ryan, Kyle and Brady Ohara.

A service celebrating Frances' life will be held at the First Baptist Church of Birmingham, MI at 200 Bates (At Willets) on Tuesday, November 24, at 11 AM. A reception will follow in the church parlor.

In Lieu of flowers, the family asks donations to the First Baptist Church of Birmingham, Michigan.

EMIL MAKILA

Age 87, of Livonia, passed away November 17, 2009. Arrangements by THAYER-ROCK FUNERAL HOME, Farmington, MI.



JOE E. HALL JR.

Age 75 passed away November 10, 2009. Born June 27, 1934 in Detroit, MI. Preceded in death by his wife, Barbara C. (Williams) Hall, son Joe E. Hall III and survived by his sister Elva Hall of Homosassa, FL, son Tad Hall of Grass Lake, granddaughter Jacquelyn and grandson Joshua and caring family and friends throughout the country.



SUSAN L. WELLS

Age 57, November 19, 2009. Beloved wife of Bill. Loving mother of Dan & Brett (Amanda). Devoted grandmother of Isabella. Visitation at the R. G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Rd., Livonia, Sunday 2-9 pm and Monday from 1 pm until Funeral Service at 3 pm.

65TH ANNIVERSARY

James "Jim" and Helen Willey of Livonia will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary on Dec. 1.

The couple met in Columbus, Ohio, in December 1942 while Jim was in the Navy and Helen was in training to become a registered nurse.

During their marriage they raised one son, while Jim worked for the U.S. government both stateside and internationally before and after World War II.

Over the years Jim worked for several design/build engineering firms as well as consulting engineering firms. He was the project manager on two of the largest local projects.

Helen worked in nursing in Columbus, Ohio, until their son was born, when she became a stay-at-home mom.



James and Helen Willey of Livonia

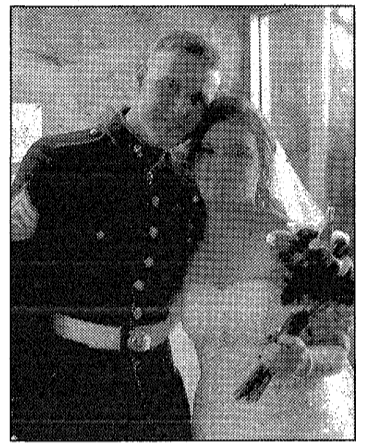
on various extended assignments. During their son's teen years, Helen returned to work in 1961 at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit where she was the head nurse in the plastic surgery clinic.

Their family continues on with four generations, with the majority living in the area. Michael, their son, lives with Delores, their daughter-in-law, in Garden City.



Jim and Helen Willey of Livonia on their wedding day 65 years ago.

WEDDING



Cpl. Jesse Stevens and Heather Ann Rudowski

Rudowski-Stevens

Cpl. Jesse Stevens, USMC, formerly of Livonia, and Heather Ann Rudowski, also of Livonia, were married Oct. 17, 2009, at Our Master Lutheran Church in Inkster.

The bride is the daughter of David Rudowski of Westland, and Deborah Rudowski of Livonia. She is pursuing a nursing degree in Alexandria, Va., where the couple resides.

The groom is the son of Anthony Stevens of Columbus, Ind., and Shereen Janisse of Livonia. He is a USMC corporal stationed at Ft. Belvoir in Alexandria, Va.

Heather graduated from Livonia Stevenson High School in 2006 and Jesse is a 2005 graduate of Livonia Churchill High School.

Zoo offers abundance of holiday gift ideas

When the shopping mall becomes a zoo this holiday season, shoppers can make the Detroit Zoo their "mall."

A Detroit Zoo gift card can be loaded with any amount \$5 and up and used for admission and parking as well as tickets for the new Wild Adventure 3-D/4-D Theater, Wild Adventure Ride, Tauber Family Railroad and Giraffe Encounter feeding station.

The reloadable gift cards are also good at gift shops and food concessions. The gift cards are available for purchase at the admission gates daily during regular zoo hours.

The Detroit Zoological Society also offers many gift ideas that allow the giver to give twice.

The reloadable gift cards are also good at gift shops and food concessions. The gift cards are available for purchase at the admission gates daily during regular zoo hours.

The Detroit Zoological Society also offers many gift ideas that allow the giver to give twice. Proceeds will help support the animals at the Detroit Zoo and preserve the world's wildlife.

\$90 for the aardvark (regular price \$100) and \$45 for the red panda (regular price \$50) when purchased before Jan. 1, 2010.

Membership Has Its Privileges. Members receive unlimited admission to the Detroit Zoo and Belle Isle Nature Zoo, free parking, discounts at gift shops and many other benefits.

discounted rate.

Pave the Way. Make a lasting impression with a 4-by-8-inch brick tribute paver engraved with a loved one's name or message.

Close Encounters of the Animal Kind. Breakfast with the Butterflies (\$300 per group of four), Breakfast with the Giraffes (\$500 per group of four) and Mingle with the Macaronis (\$500 per group of four) allow visitors age 7 and older to get up close and personal with residents.

Buy a Butterfly. A brass-finished laser-etched butterfly can be purchased for \$500.

Best Seat in the House. Dedicate a seat in the Ford Education Center's Wild Adventure 3-D/4-D Theater in the name of an individual or family.

Leave Your Mark in the Park. A zoo bench donated in a special someone's honor leaves a lasting legacy.

The Gift That Keeps On Growing. Have a tree planted at the zoo. Trees are \$5,000 and include a brass recognition plaque.

OBITUARY POLICY The first five "billed" lines of an obituary are published at no cost. All additional lines will be charged at \$4 per line. You may place a picture of your loved one for an additional cost of only \$6.

In Loving Memory ...at the Holidays Remember the loved ones you've lost by placing a special holiday remembrance tribute. The Observer and Eccentric/Hometown Weekly newspapers will be publishing a special "In Remembrance" page for the holidays.

Avoid high-calorie holidays with sensible eating

For many people, food is an important part of the holiday season. Family gatherings feature meals consisting of high-fat, high-calorie temptations that can sabotage even the most dedicated of otherwise healthy eaters. TOPS Club, Inc. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), the nonprofit weight-loss support organization, recommends strategies that will allow you to navigate common food-centered traps while still enjoying festive celebrations without regret. Consider the following "smart swapping" tips to ensure that the turkey is the only one stuffed this season:

- Choose two slices of skinless turkey breast over a drumstick to save calories and reduce fat and cholesterol.
- Avoid using boxed stuffing mix and, instead, make your own with whole grain bread and turkey or chicken sausage. Increase the nutritional value by incorporating fruits, such as apples, pears, and cranberries, or almonds and

TOPS promotes successful weight management with a philosophy that combines healthy eating, regular exercise, wellness education, and support from others at weekly chapter meetings. TOPS has about 170,000 members in nearly 10,000 chapters throughout the United States and Canada, and several chapters in Europe.

walnuts.

- Canned cranberry sauce often contains excess amounts of high-fructose corn syrup. Make your own cranberry sauce by pureeing dried cranberries in orange juice and water, or substitute the sauce with fruit-flavored gelatin.
- Replace candied sweet potatoes with mashed or baked sweet potatoes. Replace heavy cream in the mashed potatoes with low-fat

butter milk and add a vegetable that can be easily mashed, such as turnips or green onion. Olive oil and dried or fresh herbs liven up roasted red potatoes with minimal calories.

- Commonly known as "cocktail franks" or "pigs in a blanket," bite-sized hot dogs are always a popular appetizer but laden with sodium and fat. Instead, snack on mini quiches for a tasty dose of protein that keeps you full.
- Steer clear of crab cakes, which are typically breaded and deep-fried. Enjoy pieces of steamed or boiled shrimp dipped in cocktail sauce for a calorie-light alternative.
- Swap potato chips and dip for the equally satisfying crunch of veggies. Dip into hummus or salsa for a low-calorie, flavorful topping.
- For a sweet snack, enjoy an apple baked with cinnamon and nutmeg instead of an overly-indulgent caramel apple.
- Pecan pie contains high

amounts of sugar and fat – up to 800 calories per slice. Choose pumpkin pie for a rich, creamy dessert, and make it even healthier by using evaporated skim milk and egg substitute.

- Consisting of heavy cream, eggs, milk, and sugar, egg nog is a classic holiday beverage. But even without the addition of alcohol, this drink can still spell disaster for those who are watching their weight. Try homemade hot chocolate and leave off the whipped cream to partake sensibly.
- With these simple trade-offs and a bit of discipline, you will be able to celebrate the season without feeling deprived – but just as satisfied.



weight management with a philosophy that combines healthy eating, regular exercise, wellness education, and support from others at weekly chapter meetings. TOPS has about 170,000 members in nearly 10,000 chapters throughout the United States and Canada, and several chapters in Europe.

Support groups help you keep weight off

Here's a sampling of local TOPS groups:

Canton
St. Thomas A'Becket, 555 S. Lilley; meetings at 7 p.m., Thursday

Farmington Hills
Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 W. 11 Mile; meetings at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday
Tapiola Village, 35150 W. Eight Mile, in the clubhouse; meetings at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday

Garden city
The Harrison Center, 6701 Harrison, room 7; meetings at 10 a.m., Thursday

Livonia
Newburgh United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail; meetings at 6 p.m., Tuesday
Church of the Holy Spirit, 9083 Newburgh; meetings at 9:30 a.m., Thursday
Memorial Church of Christ, 35475 Five Mile;

meetings at 7:15 p.m., Monday

Redford
South Redford Christian Church, 26505 W. Chicago Road; meetings at 7:30 p.m., Thursday
Redford Community Center, 12121 Hemingway; meetings at noon, Wednesday
Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 10000 Beech Daly; meetings at 7 p.m., Tuesday

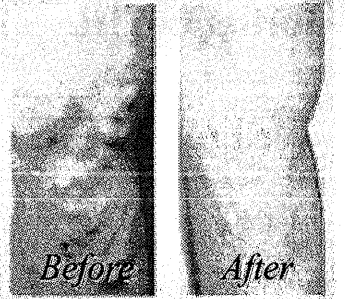
Westland
Good Shepherd Reformed Church, 6500 N. Wayne Road; meetings at 7 p.m., Monday
St. John's Episcopal Church, 555 S. Wayne Road; 7:30 p.m., Wednesday
Adams Senior Village, 2001 Kaley; meetings at 6:45 p.m. Monday
Visitors may attend their first TOPS meeting free of charge. To find a complete list of TOPS chapters in southeastern Michigan, visit www.tops.org or call (800) 932-8677.

Healthy Legs, Healthy You!

"I thought it was normal for my legs to ache at the end of the day."

You may have a medical condition covered by insurance known as Venous Insufficiency if you experience any of these leg symptoms:

- Pain/aching/throbbing
- Heaviness or fatigue
- Swelling of feet/ankles
- Restless legs
- Night cramps
- Itchy veins
- Varicose veins
- Non-healing ulcers



Studies have demonstrated that there is a significant deterioration in the quality of life for persons with chronic venous insufficiency and this can be severe. Don't wait to get treated.

You're never too old or young to jumpstart your health and fitness program with healthy legs! Have your legs treated in under an hour with no-downtime, no scarring and NO STRIPPING using the latest technology.

New, safe & effective treatment for Rosacea & Facial veins with Veinwave™
Advanced Vein Therapies is the only location in Michigan with this technology

Please visit our website and see how we have helped others at www.AVtherapies.com or call now for consultation.



ADVANCED VEIN THERAPIES

Jeffrey H. Miller, MD is Metro Detroit's foremost board-certified authority on varicose and spider vein care, specializing in treating venous diseases for nearly fifteen years.

46325 W. 12 Mile Road Suite 335 Novi West of Novi Road Near I-96
248.344.9110 www.AVtherapies.com

Filter PURE ENTERTAINMENT! *Every Thursday!*

GREAT LAKES DERMATOLOGY
MICHAEL R. COHEN, D.O.
Board Certified Dermatologist
Specializing in Diseases of the Skin, Hair & Nails
Invites you to visit and receive the care you deserve.
• Skin Cancer • Eczema
• Moles • Warts
• Psoriasis • Hair Loss
• Acne • Botox • Much More
Accepting New Patients • All Ages
Call for Appointment 248-324-2222 Evening appts. available
Lewis Medical Office Centre, 39475 Lewis Drive,
Suite 150, Novi, Michigan 48377
greatlakesderm@yahoo.com

Arthritis Today
JOSEPH J. WEISS, M.D. RHEUMATOLOGY
18829 Farmington Road
Livonia, Michigan 48152
Phone: (248) 478-7860
WHEN TO CALL
A doctor bases a patient's return visit on a combination of instinct and experience. No physician would argue over a patient returning earlier for an arthritis problem if the improvement anticipated did not occur.
The question arises of how long one should wait for that anticipated improvement. For example, the doctor takes fluid off a swollen and painful knee and injects a steroid preparation. The doctor usually will tell the patient that the knee should feel better that evening or certainly by the next day.
The doctor cannot say how much better or how long the improvement will last; that determination is the patient's to make. However, the patient can use several guidelines. One is that as long as the involved joint is improving, it is reasonable to wait. The improvement may be slower than anticipated, but the key point is that the improvement is ongoing. The second guide is function. If sleep is not disrupted by joint pain, and the ability to function during the day remains, then waiting is still in order.
What if the doctor schedules a return appointment for a joint problem, but the joint feels fine? Should the patient cancel the appointment? That question is not readily answered. My practice is that if the patient feels good there is no need to see me. However, other doctors may differ, feeling that they, by examination, will decide if the joint is good as is.
www.drjweiss.yourmd.com

LIVONIA FAMILY YMCA

Holiday Happenings at the...

Monday-Sunday, November 23-29
FREE WEEK GUEST PASS
Includes Wellness Center, lap and family swims, water exercise and men's basketball.

Wednesday, November 25 • 7-8:00 pm
FREE SEMINAR
"Healthy Eating During the Holidays"

Thursday, November 26 • 8-10:00 am Thanksgiving day
TURKEY BUSTER CLASS
Includes 4 half-hour classes, Hi Impact, Core, Boot Camp, Yoga.
Open to everyone - Register in advance. Only \$5.00.

Friday, November 27 • 5:45 am- 6:00 pm
Y CAMP FOR SHOPPER MOMS!
Leave your children at the Y while you shop. They'll enjoy movies, swimming and crafts. Only \$4.00 an hour.

Ask about SPECIAL COLLEGE STUDENT MEMBERSHIPS good for over the holidays!

14255 Stark Road • Livonia • 734-261-2161
www.ymcadetroit.org

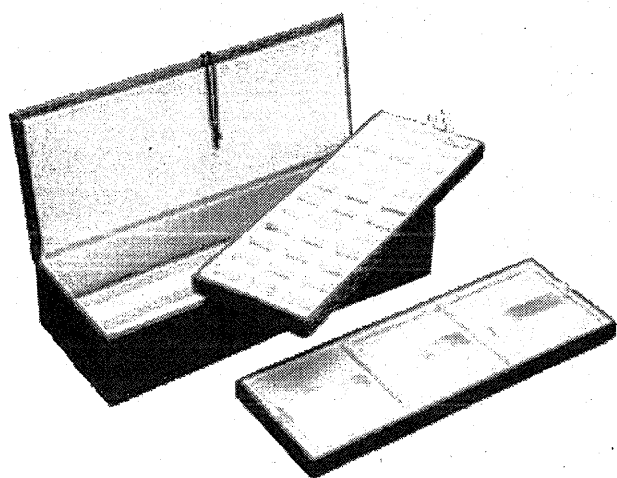
Christmas Holiday TRUNK SHOW EVENT

2 DAYS

Fri., Nov. 27th • 7am-10pm

Sat., Nov. 28th • 8am-10pm

**Preshow Starts Sun., Nov. 22nd
Thru Wed., Nov. 25th**
Come in early to reserve
your beads for purchase
during the trunk show.



**FREE PANDORA™
Jewelry Box with any
\$100 or more purchase
of PANDORA™. Plus,
spend \$75 in PANDORA™
mix & match earrings &
get FREE earring wires.**

LIFE HAS
ITS MOMENTS...

A holiday to remember



...MAKE THEM
UNFORGETTABLE

DESIGN YOUR UNFORGETTABLE MOMENTS WITH PANDORA CHARMS, RINGS, NECKLACES, AND EARRINGS IN STERLING SILVER AND 14K GOLD

PANDORA™

UNFORGETTABLE MOMENTS

U.S. Pat. No. 7,007,507 • Copyright • All rights reserved • www.pandora-jewelry.com

Benson Diamond Jewelers

FINE JEWELRY • DIAMONDS

Located In the Westland Mall Kohl's Corridor

30 Years in Business **734-525-4100** Open 7 Days a Week

\$\$\$ INSTANT CASH \$\$\$

The Price of Gold is Back Up!

Don't be mislead

by mailing your gold to people not
knowing what they will pay you for it.

**Bring it to us for a free estimate and
then decide if you're ready to sell.**

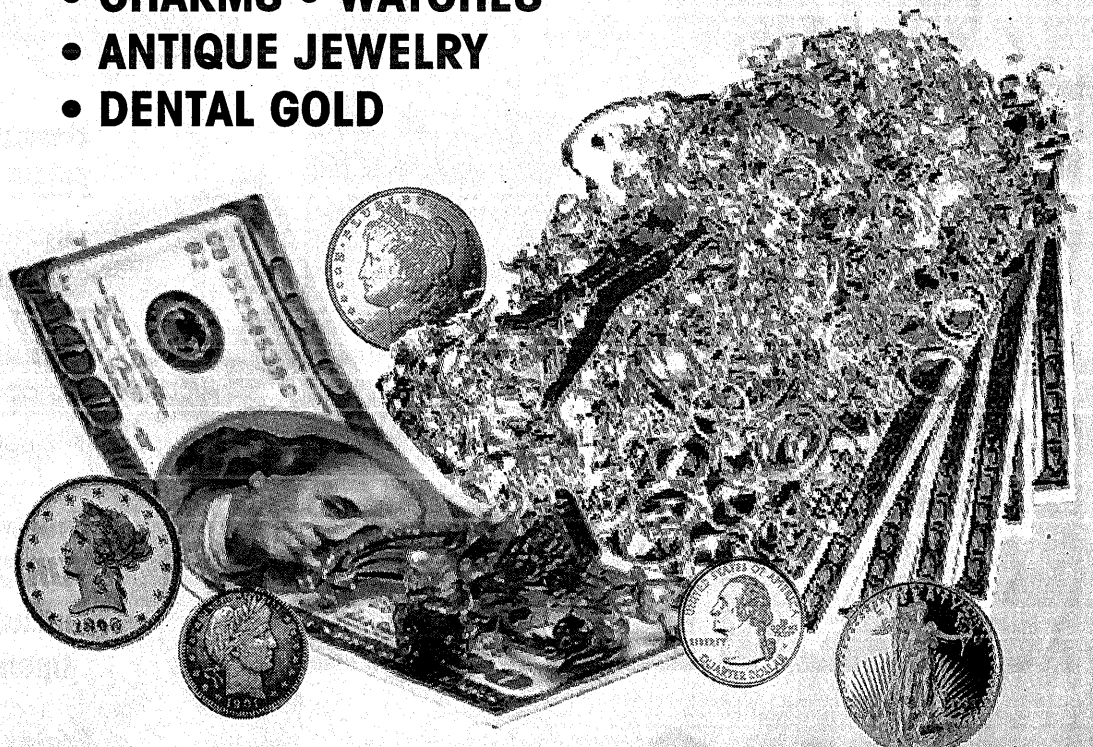
**EVEN BROKEN or DAMAGED ITEMS
ARE ACCEPTED**

Bring it in! We buy Gold,
Silver, Diamonds, Platinum,
Gold & Silver Coins.

NOW IS THE TIME TO SELL!

ALL FORMS OF GOLD:

- CHAINS • WEDDING BANDS • CLASS RINGS
- COINS • BRACELETS • EARRINGS
- CHARMS • WATCHES
- ANTIQUE JEWELRY
- DENTAL GOLD



WE GUARANTEE TO PAY MORE THAN ANYONE!

Benson Diamond Jewelers

FINE JEWELRY • DIAMONDS • SWAROVSKI

Located In the Westland Mall Kohl's Corridor

30 Years in Business **734-525-4100** Open 7 Days a Week

SUNDAY

SECTION C

careerbuilder

Contact Us:
 Phone: 800-579-SELL (7355)
 Fax: 313-496-4968
 Online: www.hometownlife.com
 Email: oeads@hometownlife.com
 Home Delivery/Circulation: 866-887-2737
 Billing/Invoice Questions: 313-222-8748

Deadlines: Sunday edition 4:30 p.m. Friday
 Thursday edition 2:00 p.m. Tuesday

Eccentric office: 6200 Metro Pkwy., Sterling Heights, MI 48312
 Observer office: 41304 Concept Dr., Plymouth, MI 48170
 Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday - Friday

CLASSIFIED
YOUR TICKET TO
 Buy • Sell • Find
OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC
NEWSPAPERS
 1-800-579-SELL (7355)

Career Marketplace

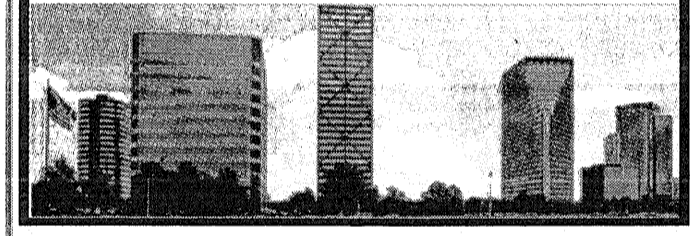
MILLENNIUM CENTRE DIRECTOR CORNERSTONE DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

This position provides leadership for the performing arts presenting facility serving Southfield, MI and the greater Metro Detroit area. Contractual pay rate of \$41,000-\$45,000 depending on experience, plus benefits. Requires: Bachelor's Degree with a major in Theatre Management and/or Marketing would be necessary. A Masters Degree would be a plus. 3-5 years of exp in event management, theatre facility management, or marketing related to event or theater management. Proficiency in Microsoft software and the ability to learn dedicated financial program.

Apply by 5:00 p.m. 12/11/2009 at:
 City of Southfield
 HR Dept.
 26000 Evergreen Road
 Southfield, MI 48076

Applications may also be downloaded from www.cityofsouthfield.com

EOE/Drug Free Workplace



To showcase your career opportunities call **800-579-7355** or e-mail your ad to careers@hometownlife.com

Determined to find the perfect career?
 Go to CareerBuilder.com to find job listings for every career.

5000-5980
Employment
 5000
 Help Wanted-General

APARTMENT MANAGER
 Detroit. 96 & Outer Dr. area. 174 units. Some experience. Fax resume: 248-649-0775

APPOINTMENT SETTER
 Ideal for anyone who can't get out to work. Work from home PT, schedule pick-ups for Purple Heart, call 9-5, M-F. 734-728-4572 or email: phonenumber@aol.com

AUTO SERVICE ADVISOR
 Mercedes Benz of Novi has an excellent opportunity waiting for you. Must have dealership experience and Reynolds a plus. Individual must have good people skills. Fax resume to Tony Stipcak (248) 426-8686 Email: tony@novibenz.com

HOLIDAY HELP
 Students Welcome \$14.25 base-apt, flexible schedules, no exp needed, conditions apply, all ages 18+. Call now! (248) 426-4405

DIRECT CARE ASSISTANT
 Assist and support persons we serve in residential settings. Enjoy Fall outings. \$8.50 plus good benefits. Fax to: (248) 573-5025 South Lyon area. Or: (734) 239-9016 Ann Arbor area. Visit us at: www.Quest365.Org

Help Wanted-General 5000
DIRECT CARE ASSISTANT
 Support the persons that we serve in their home and community. \$8.39/hr. plus good benefits. Fax to: 248-946-4426, 248-960-9658 Visit us at: www.Quest365.Org

Help Wanted-General 5000
DIRECT CARE-- Make a difference! Support people with disabilities living their life the way they want to! Assist with personal care, meals, taking care of their homes, getting places etc. Many locations, many shifts! If you are at least 18 years old, have a valid Michigan's Driver's License & are CLS, Inc. trained, call our Job Line 734-728-4201, 0#

Help Wanted-General 5000
HOUSEKEEPER
 2 Part-Time positions for Luxury Senior Community in Plymouth. Email resume to: housekeeping@rvplymouth.com

Help Wanted-General 5000
LOOKING FOR A CAREER (not a job)
Real Estate Agent
 (Special pricing for Pre-licensing now only \$79)

Help Wanted-General 5000
DRIVER, CDL-A Plymouth Co. Mon-Fri. Competitive wages. Full benefits. 2 yrs. exp. Email: kymm@transport.net

Help Wanted-General 5000
FLOOR CARE TECHNICIAN
 Professional individual to maintain floors and stairways throughout historic club-house, including marble and tile care. Must have prior experience with marble floor care. Must be dependable, detail-oriented. Full-Time, 3rd shift, benefits, parking, meals. Apply: **Detroit Athletic Club, 241 Madison, Security Office, Mon-Fri, 9-5PM. FAX: 313-963-9559** Email: humanresources@thedac.com

Help Wanted-General 5000
City of Southfield
 HR Dept.
 26000 Evergreen Rd.
 Southfield, MI 48076

Help Wanted-General 5000
Police Officer
 Canton is now accepting applications for Police Officer. Job description w/complete qualifications & hiring process will be available on the Canton Township website at www.canton-mi.org. EOE

Help Wanted-General 5000
Snowplow Driver
 Westland company, minimum 3 yrs. experience, clean driving record, chauffeur licensed background & drug test required. 734-891-8994

Help Wanted-General 5000
PARALEGAL
 Southfield law firm has immediate opening for paralegal. College graduate. No experience required. Will provide training. Benefits negotiable. Fax resume: 248-354-6308

Help Wanted-Medical 5000
CERTIFIED MEDICAL ASSISTANT/ RESEARCH ASSISTANT
 Phlebotomy, specimen processing/shipping, vitals, charting, filing etc. Must have computer skills in Microsoft Word & Excel. Please fax your resume and letters of recommendations to: 586-774-6283 or e-mail: employment@michiganurology.com Please fill out our website application.

Help Wanted-Medical 5000
MEDICAL ASSISTANT
 Exp'd. with receptionist skills. Livonia office. Email resume: docasbahi@yahoo.com

Help Wanted-Medical 5000
MEDICAL ASSISTANT, Exp'd.
 Very busy Internal Medicine office in Livonia. Fax resume Attn: Christina or April (734) 779-2121

Help Wanted-Medical 5000
PHLEBOTOMY TRAINING
 Classes begin Jan. & March. Garden City, Dearborn, Wyandotte & Southgate. \$925. State Licensed. Gift Certificates Avail. 313-382-3857

Help Wanted-Medical 5000
PHYSICIANS WANTED SIGN-ON BONUS
 Increased salary! Full time with full benefits. Excellent opportunity! No call or weekends. Internal medicine, family practice, & geriatric needed. Practice located in Southfield. Call 1-877-531-9955

Help Wanted-Sales 5120
ADVERTISING ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE
 We're looking for customer-centric, energetic, aggressive account executives who can follow a solutions-based strategy of sales with clients, have a proven ability to close sales and can think big to take their place as part of our Advertising team!

Help Wanted-Sales 5120
 • College degree or equivalent work experience in field sales.
 • Proven sales track record.
 • Have impeccable communication skills.
 • Outstanding computer skills.

Help Wanted-Sales 5120
 We offer base + commission and benefits in a work environment that is stimulating and fast-paced along with opportunities for career growth with Gannett Co. Inc.

Help Wanted-Sales 5120
 Email resumes to employment@dnps.com Fax to 313-496-4793 Attn: DEHTW Sales EOC OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC NEWSPAPERS HOMETOWN WEEKLIES

Help Wanted-Sales 5120
SALES REP
 Premier Business Products Michigan's largest office equipment dealer is looking for motivated individuals that are willing to combine their work ethic with our sales training to produce an opportunity that will allow you to not only make money but learn a career skill set with a growing successful company. Premier offers a very competitive benefit package. Email resume to: jenkins@premier-business.com

Observer and Eccentric Classified Early Deadlines for Thanksgiving

Please be advised due to holiday, the Observer and Eccentric Newspapers Classified Section will have early deadlines for the issue of Thursday, November 26th. Please make a note of these early deadlines, so your advertising will not miss this "well read" issue!

Publications of: Wayne County/South Oakland Eccentric/ Birmingham Eccentric

Deadline for Issue of Thursday, November 26th:
 Liners Monday, November 23rd at 2:30 pm
 Display Monday, November 23rd at noon
 Obituaries Tuesday, November 24th at 10 am

Call To Place Your Ad Today: 800-579-7355 Or online at: www.hometownlife.com

OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC NEWSPAPERS



HEALTH CARE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

DIRECT CARE ASSISTANT
 Assist and support persons we serve in residential settings. Enjoy Fall outings. \$8.50 plus good benefits. Fax to: (248) 573-5025 South Lyon area. Or: (734) 239-9016 Ann Arbor area. Visit us at: www.Quest365.Org

RNs & LPNs RN NURSE SUPERVISOR SALES & MARKETING
 For Private Duty Home Health Care patients in metro Detroit area. FT/PT, all shifts avail. Excellent Pay! Submit resume to: sandy@healthcall.com or visit: www.healthcallhomecare.com Call (248) 395-3777 or (800) 991-9933 Sandy extension 210

Help Wanted-Dental 5040
RECEPTIONIST/ DENTAL ASSISTANT
 Experienced req'd. Friendly office. Livonia area. 734-525-3150 or fax: 734-525-6432

Help Wanted-Medical 5060
CARDIOVASCULAR TECH
 With Echo Cardiography experience for Full or Part-Time position in a diagnostic center in Livonia. Benefits & immediate availability. Fax resume: 248-626-3918

PHLEBOTOMY EDUCATION
 "Teaching the Art of Professional Blood Collecting". Enrolling for January & March. Classes at our Garden City, Dearborn, Wyandotte and Southgate locations. State licensed school with Nationally Certified phlebotomists and Certified Healthcare Instructors. Cost: \$925 includes book and all phlebotomy supplies. Join the thousands that have graduated from this NHA approved school. Gift Certificates Available (313) 382-3857

PHYSICIANS
PHYSICIANS WANTED SIGN-ON BONUS
 Increased salary! Full time with full benefits. Excellent opportunity! No call or weekends. Internal medicine, family practice, & geriatric needed. Practice located in Southfield. Call 877-531-9955

PHYSICIANS
 Support the persons that we serve in their home and community. \$8.39/hr. plus good benefits. Fax to: 248-946-4426 248-960-9658 Visit us at: www.Quest365.Org

ENGLISH TUTOR & MORE!
 English language learners & all ages welcome! \$25/hour. Call Larry: 248-890-8548

It's all here!
1-800-579-SELL
www.hometownlife.com

Help Wanted-Domestic 5240

CAREGIVER NEEDED - To do light housekeeping and cooking for 56 yr old male in wheelchair. \$10/hr. 2-3 hrs per day, 5 days per wk. 734-392-2040

Position Wanted 5340

HAIR DRESSING Will do hair dressing in my home or yours. Manicure & pedicure also. Experience. Low prices! 248-982-0930

I AM A HOUSEKEEPER Looking to do housekeeping work. 20 yrs. exp. Exc. reference. Sharon: (734) 564-5922

IF YOU or a loved one need help w/daily activities or relief call us. 313-544-6434 We ALL could use a Break!

Childcare/Baby-Sitting Services

DROP & SHOP NATIVITY UNITED CHURCH 9435 Henry Ruff, invites you to drop off your children and finish your Christmas shopping while we take loving care of your little ones. Dec 8th & 15th, 6-8pm. No Fee. Call for reservations: (734) 421-5406

Education/Instruction 5600

Out of Work or Laid-off? Find out how you may qualify for 100% PAID TUITION Military Spouse Tuition Assistance Available! Get certified in 6-12 months Medical Billing/Coding, Pharmacy Technology & Computer Training including Microsoft Certification programs starting now at New Horizons Livonia: 1-866-307-1436 Troy: 1-888-223-7972 Job Placement assistance available. VA Training provider. Associate member of MI Works.

Divorce Services 5610

DIVORCE \$75.00 www.CSRdisability.com CS&R 734-425-1074

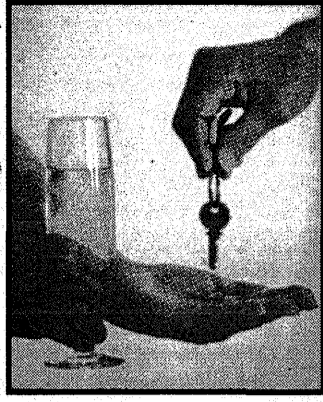
Business Opportunities 5740

Operating Partner/Investor Great opportunity, mid seven figure income potential. Equity Investment Required. Novi area. Call: 248-449-5215

Tutoring 5770

ENGLISH TUTOR & MORE! English language learners & all ages welcome! \$25/hour. Call Larry: 248-890-8548

It's all here! 1-800-579-SELL www.hometownlife.com



Don't Drink & Drive Celebrate Safely!

The Observer and Eccentric/Hometown Newspapers along with these area businesses would like to wish everyone a SAFE Thanksgiving!
Remember to drink wisely and have a designated driver!

VILLAGE PARTY TIME
303 South Main • Milford, MI
(248) 684-8965
Be safe this Holiday Season!

Happy Thanksgiving!
Northville Collision
700 Doheny • Northville
(248) 349-1090

WATER WHEEL SPRINKLER
P.O. Box 749 • Milford
(248) 685-8473
Have A Happy Thanksgiving!

STEVE'S EUROPEAN AUTOMOTIVE
"Automotive Service Excellence Since 1983"
(248) 674-2770
www.StevesEuropeanAuto.com
4920 Pontiac Lake Rd • Waterford, MI 48328

ADVANCED DENTAL
42450 W. 12 Mile Suite 200
Across From 12 Oaks Mall Novi
(248) 348-8808
www.advanceddentalmi.com

BEST STORAGE OF NEW HUDSON
53600 Grand River
New Hudson
(248) 437-1660
Happy Thanksgiving!

BOGIE LAKE GREENHOUSES
1525 Bogie Lake Rd.
White Lake
(248) 887-5101
"Have a Blessed Thanksgiving!"

Give Thanks This Thanksgiving
Comfort Keepers
995 N. Mill St. • Plymouth (734) 397-1111

Wishing Everyone a Safe and Happy Holiday Season!
COMPUTER COMMUNICATION ALLIANCES
22271 Pontiac Trail, South Lyon
(248) 437-1304

LOWEST RENTAL RATES!!!
APARTMENTS FOR RENT: LINCOLN PARK: 313-386-6720
ROOMS FOR RENT: LUXURY MOTELS
• Comfort Suites (248) 504-5080 • Fairlane (248) 347-9999
• Royal (248) 544-1575 • Days (734) 427-1300

Flamingos by the Yard *Happy Holidays!*
(800) LAWN FUN
Celebrating Special Occasions All Year Round
www.flamingosbytheyard.net

CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CHURCH, SOUTH LYON
Worship: Sat: 6:00pm, Sun 9:30 & 11:00am
28900 Pontiac Tr.
www.ecrossroads.net
(248) 486-0400 *Happy Thanksgiving*

Happy Thanksgiving!
NORM'S TOTAL AUTOMOTIVE
115 W. Lake St. • South Lyon
(248) 437-2086

Be Safe This Holiday Season!
JAMES J. CAREY CPA, PC
138 E. Liberty • South Lyon
(248) 437-2000

Happy Thanksgiving
LAPTOP XPRESS
2330 S. Milford Road, Suite 102
Highland
laptopxpress@comcast.net
(248) 685-0317

Have a wonderfully safe holiday season!
LARSON JEWELRY DESIGN
43155 Main, Suite 304, Novi
(248) 347-4653

Have a Safe and Happy Holiday Season!
HOUSE CLEANING SERVICES BY:
Cindy Shoe:
Please Call : (248) 459-9729

Happy Holidays!
BEDARD SHADE TREE CO.
57855 Travis Rd.
New Hudson
(248) 437-9320

DICK MORRIS CHEVROLET
2199 Haggerty Rd. • Walled Lake, MI 48390
(248) 624-4500
Happy Holiday Season!

BROOKWOOD FARMS APT.
200 Brookwood Dr.
South Lyon
(248) 437-9959
www.apartments.com/brookwoodfarms

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!
CONSIGNMENT CLOTHIERS
42937 Seven Mile • Northville
HIGHLAND LAKES SHOPPING CENTER
(248) 347-4570

HAVE A SAFE & HAPPY THANKSGIVING!
WAGON WHEEL LOUNGE
212 S MAIN ST • NORTHVILLE, MI 48167
248-349-8686

PAT'S FIELD OF FLOWERS
22331 Pontiac Trail • South Lyon
(248) 437-7997
Have A Happy Thanksgiving!

APARTMENTS

HOMETOWNlife.com

Condos/Townhouses 4020 TAYLOR: Gorgeous Ranch Condo. Full bsmt, 2 car garage, fireplace. Like new off Pardee Rd. (248) 224-6696 WOODHAVEN: 2 bdrm Condo. Like new. Attached garage. Bad Credit Maybe Okay. Available Now. (248) 224-6696 Duplexes 4030 LIVONIA - 2 bdrm, clean-immaculate, fin bsmt, A/C, garage, fenced yard, park close by, no pets. (734) 241-5597 PLYMOUTH: 2 bdrm, near downtown, well maintained. Wood floors, A/C, gas, appliances, full bsmt, \$650/mo. Call from 8-8: 734-522-6705	Homes For Rent 4050 CANTON-42688 HANFORD 4 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 car attached gar, C/A, avail immed, \$1295. Showing Wed & Sun 6:30pm. 313-920-5966, 734-444-5185 It's all here!  1-800-579-SELL www.hometownlife.com	Homes For Rent 4050 FREE RENT plus a chance to WIN \$500! 3 Bed/2 Bath Homes from only: \$599/mo. All Appliances including W/D and C/A! SUN HOMES College Park Canton, MI (888) 264-4080 APPLY ONLINE www.collegepark.com <small>*Apply and close by 11/30/09 and you may be entered in a \$500 American Express Gift Card sweepstakes contest. Sweepstakes ends 12/31/09. Expires 11/30/09.</small>	Homes For Rent 4050 FREE GROCERIES plus! NO RENT due until Jan 1st 2010! 3 Bed/2 Bath Homes from only: \$599/mo. All Appliances including W/D and C/A! College Park Canton MI (888) 264-4080 APPLY ONLINE www.collegepark.com <small>*Apply and close by 11/30/09 and you may be entered in a \$500 American Express Gift Card sweepstakes contest. Sweepstakes ends 12/31/09. Expires 11/30/09.</small>	Homes For Rent 4050 DEARBORN HEIGHTS 4 bdrm, 2 car gar, new paint & carpet, \$795 + sec. Sec 8 ok. Call Steve: 248-684-4000 DETROIT, MI 4 Bdrms, 4 baths, 2 garage, central air, basement. On W. Outer Drive, 2800 sq. ft. beautiful home, finished basement, finished sunroom with heat and air, appliances and alarm included. Security Deposit Required. \$1250 313-862-7607 FARMINGTON HILLS - Sharp 2 bdrm brick ranch, finished bsmt, stove, fridge, option/LC avail, \$800. (248) 788-1823 GARDEN CITY: 3 bdrm, ranch with garage. 859 Douglas, 48135. \$975/mo. + security. 1 yr. lease. 734-502-8791 GARDEN CITY: Immaculate 3 bdrm brick ranch, bsmt, all fenced yard, attached garage, no pets. \$825. (248) 661-9062	Homes For Rent 4050 GARDEN CITY: Refinished 3 bdrm, a/c, bsmt, fenced yard. No pets. \$850/mo. + 1/2 sec. No Sec. 8. 248-417-1210 INKSTER - 3 bdrm, bsmt, utility room, \$550; 2 bdrm ranch, mechanic's gar, \$500. Option on both. (248) 788-1823 LIVONIA - 1200 sq. ft. freshly painted 3 bdrm, detached gar, new carpet. Appl. fenced yard. \$950/mo, 248-342-0314 LIVONIA - 2 bdrm, 1 bath, 750 sq. ft. stove/fridge, \$750 + 1 mo sec. Util not incl. Employment & ref check. No smoking, pets considered. Call: (734) 578-7077 LIVONIA: 2 bdrm. All appls incl Garage \$800/mo+ \$900 security. 1yr. lease. 12301 Camden, 48150. 734-525-5612 LIVONIA - 9111 Hugh, 3 bdrm bungalow w/fenced yard. All appls incl. dishwasher. Pets ok. \$875 + sec. 313-779-8506	Homes For Rent 4050 LIVONIA - Merriman's 5 Mile, 3 bdrm, all appli, 2 car garage, no pets or smoking, \$875/mo + \$1000 sec. (734) 421-6387 MELVINDALE: 3 bdrm, ranch, utility room, option/LC, \$800/mo, bad credit okay. \$800/mo. (248) 788-1823 REDFORD: 1 bdrm, 1 bath, no garage or bsmt. Lg. lot/country setting. \$450/mo. 12300 San Jose. 734-777-6363 REDFORD: 1100 sq. ft. 3 bdrm. bungalow w/bsmt, a/c, fridge/stove. Imm. occ. \$775/mo. Sec. 8 ok. 734-748-4331 REDFORD: 3 bdrm, bath. Clean inside & out. Section 8 okay. \$750 water included + Security. 248-219-5685 REDFORD - 3 bdrm brick ranch, 2 bath, family room, finished bsmt, appli, 2 car garage, close to High School/Elementary. \$1050/mo. 734-425-3333 REDFORD - 3 bdrm ranch, C/A, fenced yard, utility shed, \$830/mo + \$830 sec dep, 1 yr lease, pets ok. 734-905-2644 REDFORD: 5 Mile/Telegraph Charming, updated 2 bdrm, a/c, deck, appliances. \$750/mo. Call: 248-346-6108 REDFORD: Rent to Own. 3 bdrm, new carpet, updated, bsmt, 2 car. Down payment req. \$950/mo. (734) 618-6345 ROMULUS 3 bdrm, red carpeted, \$825/mo. Ross Realty: (734) 326-8300 ROMULUS - Remodeled 3 bdrm, bsmt, 2.5 car gar, family room, option/LC, bad credit okay, \$850. (248) 788-1823 ROYAL OAK - 2 bdrm, 1 bath, oak floors, appli, enclosed yard with garage, very clean. \$650/mo. (248) 388-9536 SOUTHFIELD - 3 & 4 bdrm homes on quiet street, new carpet/paint throughout, finished bsmt. \$1300-1500/mo. (443) 465-5386 SNOWFLAKE PROPERTIES SOUTHFIELD - Birmingham Schools. 4 bdrm brick ranch, garage, a/c, new appli., bsmt. \$1250/mo. 248-521-7581 TAYLOR - 3 bdrm ranch, newly decorated, fenced yard, appli, rent w/option to buy. \$800/mo + sec. 313-779-4732 WAYNE - 4250 Adams Cr. 3 bdrm, 1 bath, bsmt, 1.5 car gar, 1 yr lease, \$900/mo. 734-449-6361, 734-709-7222 WAYNE - 4642 Mildred 3 possibly 4 bdrm, bsmt, garage, avail immed, \$795/mo. Showing Wed & Sun 5:45pm. 734-444-5185, 313-920-5966 WAYNE - Home, 2 bdrm, bath, remodeled stove/fridge, dishwasher, large fenced yard. \$700/month, \$700 security. 734-306-5629 West Bloomfield Executive Home Beautifully remodeled 2700 sq ft ranch avail Jan 1st. 4 bdrms & 3 ceramic tiled baths. Mstr bdrm w/ walk in closet/ Jacuzzi tub. Office w/separate entrance, fam rm, bsmt, att. 2 car, \$2100/mo, 1 yr lease; 1st mo rent + \$2100 sec. No smoking/pets. (248) 737-2522 WESTLAND - 1250 SQ. FT. 4 bdrm, 2 bath, finished bsmt, garage, appli, C/A, DR, LR. \$1250/mo, 248-231-0074 WESTLAND - 2 bdrm, bsmt, blinds, all appliances, A/C, pets neg. \$725/mo. + sec. Section 8 OK. 734-397-8187 WESTLAND 2 bdrm, fresh paint, new carpet, appliances, C/A. Avail. Immed. \$600/mo. (586) 978-9172 WESTLAND: Spacious 3 bdrm duplex, very clean, fresh paint, new carpet, fenced, near school. (313) 418-9905	Homes For Rent 4050 WOODHAVEN: Remodeled 3 bdrm brick ranch, fin bsmt, 2 bath, C/A, 2 car gar, option/LC avail. \$850. 248-788-1823 YPSILANTI RENT! til 01-01-10 STARTING AS LOW AS \$729 3 bdrm, 2 bath homes with all appliances incl C/A! 924 sq. ft. up to 1,452 sq. ft.!! Call Sun Homes: 888-235-3517 www.alakeview.com Expires 11-30-2009 *some restrictions apply, EHO	Commercial/Industrial For Rent/Lease 4230 WESTLAND/LIVONIA 25x40 shop with 11x14 office, security system, \$550/mo. + utilities. 1 mo. free. 313-304-6697
--	---	---	---	---	---	---	--	--

APARTMENTS AVAILABLE

YOUR WEEKLY GUIDE TO APARTMENT LIVING

REDFORD MOVE IN SPECIAL! HEAT, WATER & PARKING! 1 BDRMS START AT \$550 & Up 2 BDRMS START AT \$650 & Up Quiet, cozy, clean, appliances & extra storage available. new carpet & paint. No pets. Mon-Sat 11-5pm. 24715 Five Mile between Telegraph and Beech Daly. Call: 313-945-0524	PLYMOUTH Plymouth Park Apartments 65 and older. 1 & 2 bedroom apartments available starting at \$450/mo including all utilities. Call: (313) 350-1270	CANTON Fresh Start Program NO Rent Until February* Bankruptcy - Foreclosure - Auto Workers In these trying times, you may feel you have no place to turn. We understand bad things happen to good people. The management of Canton Gardens is here to help! We are now renting 2 Bedroom Townhomes 950 Square Foot. Starting at \$650 Office Hours Tuesday - Friday 9:00 am till 5:00 p m Saturday 12:00 pm till 4:00 pm After hours appointments available. Canton Garden Apartments 8660 Walton Blvd. • Canton, MI 48187 734-455-7440 www.cantongardenapartments.com *Some Restrictions Apply	ANN ARBOR Quality affordable independent living now renting safe, quiet housing for adults 62+. Monthly rent includes all utilities and 15 dinners. Immediate Occupancy starting at \$506/mo. Lurie Terrace Apts. 600 W. Huron St. • Ann Arbor, MI 48103 (734) 665-0695 www.lurieterrace.org	YPSILANTI Oak Ridge FALL INTO SAVINGS HURRY IN! Five 3 bedroom Apartment Homes for only \$699 while they last! • Central Air • Washer/Dryer hookups • Private Entrances • Located on local bus line • Abundant Amenities • Close to shopping, EMU & U of M • Hours: Mon-Fri 8-5 1326 Holmes Rd Across from Holmes Elementary 734-480-6020
---	---	---	---	---


CALL TODAY FOR A GREAT RATE... **1-800-579-7355**

MARKETPLACE

HOMETOWNlife.com

<p>You'll find what you're looking for in your Observer & Eccentric Classifieds!</p> <p>GET EXTRA CASH! By selling your vehicle or the items in your garage and attic which are collecting dust!</p> <p>Advertise 1 item of merchandise for As little as \$19.99*! Your item will be advertised in the paper & online for 2 weeks</p> <p>Advertise one vehicle for As little as \$29.99*! Your vehicle will be advertised in the paper & online for 2 weeks!</p> <p>Put cash in your wallet by calling us today! 1-800-579-7355 *4 line minimum, additional lines may be added for extra cost. Limited time special.</p>	6000-6980 Announcements LOOK HERE	7000-7780 Merchandise 	Auction Sales 7060 PUBLIC AUTO AUCTION Repo & Seized Vehicles Tues at 6pm, Fri at 10am 14666 Telegraph Rd, Redford, MI. (313) 538-2100 Household Goods 7160 ANTIQUE Kling, maple, pineapple post, full size bedroom suite. Exc. cond. must see! \$850/best. 248-889-8526 DINING ROOM SET Traditional, Solid Cherry, 2 pc. hutch, 6 chairs, dropleaf table & pads. \$750. (248) 853-7690 DINING ROOM SUITE - 9 piece Henredon, table, china cabinet, hutch & 6 chairs, \$850/best offer. Call: (313) 820-9711 HARVEST TABLE. Light Oak, 4 matching chairs, ceramic tile oak top, expandable. Originally \$1500. Asking \$400/best. 734-635-1276 MATTRESS New queen pillow-top mattress. Can Deliver. \$200. (734) 444-7277 MISCELLANEOUS: Refrigerator \$135; Stove \$85; Dryer \$85; Ceiling Fan \$5; Dehumidifier \$45; Queen Box Spring and Mattress \$55; Maple Table \$15; Antique Chair \$5. Batman Bike \$10; Girl's Bike \$5. Call 248-465-0262. TWIN BED - ADJUSTABLE Automatic controls, new King Coil Mattress, remote control, relaxing vibrating movement, head & foot raises in different positions, 3 yrs old, \$400/best offer. Call: (248) 790-2013	Pools, Spas, Hot Tubs 7190 HOT TUB - (67) Jets, Brand New, DIVORCE. \$4,975. Still in wrapper. Insurance just paid, \$11,200. Loaded. Howell, 517-404-8748. Business & Office Equipment 7240 DESKS, conference table, chairs, filing & other office equipment. Excellent shape, good prices. (248) 255-5720 Musical Instruments 7510 GALLIEN-KRUEGAR Amp Head & Cabinet. Head is 125 Watts. Cabinet is 400 Watts. Best Offer. (734) 462-0378 TRUMPET - SONARE Silver, mint shape. \$1250. (248) 225-0577 Sporting Goods 7520 MICHIGAN ANTIQUE ARMS COLLECTORS 500 Table Show Nov 28th & 29th Antique and modern firearms, knives. BUY and SELL. Rock - Financial Showplace. 46100 Grand River Btwn Novi/Beck Rds. Admission \$6. Open to public 9am. Info: 586-465-6200 Wanted to Buy 7540 CASH PAID FOR RECORD COLLECTIONS 45's & LP's - Rock, Soul, Jazz & More. Call Justin: 734-578-3479 CASH PAID FOR VINTAGE JEWELRY (pre-1970) costume jewelry. Marcy 248-880-5700	Cats 7830 AWESOME KITTEN 13 wks. old, needs loving home. (248) 660-6604 Dogs 7840 AKC/OFA Golden Retriever Pups, awesome pedigree. Bred for intelligence/disposition. Breeder since 1991. \$550-\$600 (419)485-4027 www.mcdonaldgoldens.com GERMAN SHEPHERD PUPS AKC 7 wks, parents on site. \$400. 517-223-7410	<p>Earn extra money!</p> <p>Advertise in Observer & Eccentric</p> <p>To place an ad call: 1-800-579-SELL or fax: 734-953-2232</p> <p>It's all about results!</p>
---	--	---	--	---	--	--

WE ARE DOING OUR PART TO KEEP MICHIGAN MOVING AT...



BOB JEANNOTTE
BUICK-PONTIAC-GMC
"GREAT DEALS!"

M-14
Sheldon Road
5 Mile Road

- '06 MALIBU 4 cylinder, auto, air.....\$9,995
- '01 PT CRUISER Moonroof, leather.....**ONLY \$6,995**
- '03 S-10 PICKUP Auto, air.....**ONLY \$5,995**
- '06 GRAND PRIX GXP Gray, V8, only 29K.....\$16,995
- '02 SATURN VUE AWD, moonroof.....\$6,995
- '05 CHRYSLER 300 Blue, loaded.....\$13,495
- '06 CHEV. CREW CAB PICK UP Z71.....\$22,495
- '09 BUICK ENCLAVE Black, loaded.....\$35,995
- '06 BUICK RENDEZVOUS Burg., V6, ONLY \$14,495
- '09 PONTIAC VIBE Red, Auto.....\$14,995
- '07 CADILLAC CTS Tan.....**ONLY \$16,495**
- '05 SATURN VUE Red, 38K.....\$12,995
- '08 FORD ESCAPE XLT 4X4 Silver.....\$17,995
- '07 PONTIAC GRAND PRIX GT Super charged \$14,995
- '03 FORD CROWN VICTORIA Dk Green.....**ONLY \$6,995**
- '04 EXPLORER 4X4 Silver.....\$8,995
- '03 JEEP LIBERTY 4X4 Blue.....\$11,995
- '07 G-6 COUPE Silver, alloys.....**ONLY \$12,495**
- '06 CHEVROLET HHR LT Blue, Leather.....\$11,995
- '06 CHEVROLET EQUINOX Burg., Moonroof.....\$14,495
- '08 PONTIAC G-6 GT Silver.....\$12,495
- '07 JAGUAR X TYPE Silver, Moon.....\$16,495

Our 34th Year
Proud to be part of the New GM
734-453-2500

Certified USED VEHICLES
*Not subject to prior sales.
SEE MORE VEHICLES AT JEANNOTTE.COM

AUTOMOTIVE

HOMETOWNLife.com

Are you in need of a new car?

Look in our Classifieds for a great deal.

It's all about RESULTS!

CALL US AT: **800-579-7355**

OR VISIT US ONLINE: www.hometownlife.com

Ford 8480
FOCUS 2007 White, auto, air, pw/pl, great gas mileage & Ford certified \$10,981. Stk. P20917
DEALER
734-402-8774

FOCUS SE 2003 4 door, only 50K mi, like new, only \$7,495 FREE GPS WITH PURCHASE! PAT MILLIKEN FORD 800-737-0250

FOCUS ZX5 2007 Auto, A/C, clean \$9,997
Bill Brown Ford
(734) 522-0030

FUSION SE 2007 V6, auto, A/C, pw/pl, clean \$12,997
Bill Brown Ford
(734) 522-0030

FUSION SE 2008 Auto, power moon, certified, \$14,998
Bill Brown Ford
(734) 522-0030

FUSION SEL 2008 V6, power moon, leather, navigation \$18,998
Bill Brown Ford
(734) 522-0030

MUSTANG 2007 Black, smokin hot, extra clean, Ford certified \$13,481. Stk. P20910
DEALER
734-402-8774

MUSTANG CONV GT 2005 Leather, loaded \$17,995
Bill Brown Ford
(734) 522-0030

Ford 8480
MUSTANG GT 2009 2K miles, \$25,999
Bill Brown Ford
(734) 522-0030

T-BIRD 2005 Black, removable roof, 22K, \$26,995
Bill Brown Ford
(734) 522-0030

TAURUS LIMITED 2008 Leather, low miles \$19,998
Bill Brown Ford
(734) 522-0030

TAURUS X LIMITED 2008 AWD, leather, loaded, low miles, \$25,995
Bill Brown Ford
(734) 522-0030

TAURUS X LIMITED 2008 Black, leather, low miles, heated seats, \$23,995 FREE GPS WITH PURCHASE! PAT MILLIKEN FORD 800-737-0250

TORINO 1971 Red, hot and ready to roll. \$5,981 Stk. P20884
DEALER
734-402-8774

Honda 8520
ACCORD 2006 Ocean Blue, Leather, Sunroof, Heated Seats, and ABS! Loaded Top To Bottom! Only \$8,543! 888-372-9836
Lou LaRiche

ACCORD 2006 Black, runs like new, looks great! \$11,481 Stk. 9C1137A
DEALER
734-402-8774

CIVIC 2002 Summer Tan, Sunroof, CD and ABS! Smooth Riding Gas Saver! Just \$8,995! 888-372-9836
Lou LaRiche

CR-V AWD 2005 White, 69K, \$12,495
BOB JEANNOTTE PONT, BUICK, GMC
(734) 453-2500

Mitsubishi 8610
ENDEAVOR 2004 XLS 4x4 44K, maroon. Like new. \$9,900. (734) 444-9102

MAXIMA 2000 GLE Silver, heated seats, leather, power roof, Bose, Alloy wheels. 165K. \$3295. 248-444-9299

Nissan 8620
ALERO 2004 89,800 miles, A/C, AM/FM CD, power options, very clean. \$5500, Call: (734) 968-7301

Oldsmobile 8640
AZTEK 2002 Burgundy, moon \$4,495
BOB JEANNOTTE PONT, BUICK, GMC
(734) 453-2500

FIREBIRD 2002 Silver Streak, Chrome, 34K and Power Options! Street Cruising Style! Just \$9,995! 888-372-9836
Lou LaRiche

Pontiac 8680
SOLSTICE CONV 2007 Black, low miles, extra clean, summer fun is calling! \$17,481. Stk. 9T9113A
DEALER
734-402-8774

VIBE 2009 Red, sharp \$15,495
BOB JEANNOTTE PONT, BUICK, GMC
(734) 453-2500

Saturn 8700
AURA 2007 Auto, air, 28K, \$14,495
BOB JEANNOTTE PONT, BUICK, GMC
(734) 453-2500

AURA XR 2008 Assume lease Burgundy, loaded, leather, 10,850 miles. (18 mos. & 25,150 miles remaining). Will make Dec. payment for you! \$339.75/mo. 248-644-9921

Lincoln 8560
LINCOLN MKZ 2007 Leather, moonroof, chromes, heated seats, low miles, \$22,995 FREE GPS WITH PURCHASE! PAT MILLIKEN FORD 800-737-0250

MKZ AWD 2008 Power moon, navigation, chromes, low miles \$27,998
Bill Brown Ford
(734) 522-0030

Mazda 8560
MAZDA 6 2006 Deep red, moonroof, sporty, low gas mileage, low miles \$13,995. Stk. P20872
DEALER
734-402-8774

Mercury 8600
GRAND MARQUIS 2003 Red, loaded, exc cond, priced to sell \$7,481. Stk. 9T9308A
DEALER
734-402-8774

Pontiac 8680
G6 COUPE 2007 Silver, only \$12,495
BOB JEANNOTTE PONT, BUICK, GMC
(734) 453-2500

G6 2008 Low miles, full power, clean, \$11,495 FREE GPS WITH PURCHASE! PAT MILLIKEN FORD 800-737-0250

Toyota 8720
CAMRY 1999 Silver, safe, reliable, sharp \$4,981. Stk. 9T9269A
DEALER
734-402-8774

SCION IC 2007 Gray Metal, Sunroof, Alloys and ABS! Fun To Drive! Just \$14,495! 888-372-9836
Lou LaRiche

SOLARA 2005 Glacier White, CD, Alloys, ABS and Power Options! Great On Gas! Just \$11,997! 888-372-9836
Lou LaRiche

FINANCING FOR ALL!
LENDERS AVAILABLE FOR EVERY SITUATION

90 DAYS
Until Your FIRST Payment!*

Ask for Roy Newton

Call Our 24 HOUR Easy Credit App Hotline!
1-734-742-0568

BILL BROWN
30400 PLYMOUTH ROAD
Across from Wonderland - LIVONIA -
*With Approved Credit. OE08872818

WE PAY TOP DOLLAR For Clean USED CARS

AVIS FORD
(248) 355-7500

SWITCH TO LARICHE FOR THE BEST SELECTION, BEST SERVICE, BEST DEAL ALWAYS!

SWITCH TO LaRICHE

60 DAY MONEY BACK GUARANTEE

2010 CHEVROLET MALIBU

Stock #10C3041D

Body molding, floor mats, OnStar safe & sound, compact spare, power locks, tilt storage, power windows, cruise control, stereo CD, anti lock braking system.

Serving Plymouth, Northville, Livonia, Canton And Surrounding Communities For 40 Years. Now Planning Our Next 40 Years Selling & Servicing Chevrolets

2010 CAMARO RS
Sunroof, Convenience & connectivity package, OnStar, Boston acoustics 9 speaker, wheel locks, polysteel protection, bluetooth, power windows, power seats, XM radio, power locks, ABS, rear spoiler #10C3052D

EVERYONE	GM FAMILY
\$27,274*	\$26,106*
\$389*	\$371*

4.9%/72 MO/\$3000 DOWN

2009 IMPALA LS
Flex fuel V8, OnStar, auto transmission, keyless entry, air conditioning, power windows, power locks, cruise, tile, 29 MPG, body molding, AM FM, stereo, CD #6523

EVERYONE	GM FAMILY
\$19,869*	\$18,847*
\$303*	\$287*

\$1000 DOWN/4.9%/72 MO

2009 MALIBU LS
24 Ecotec engine, auto transmission, air conditioned, body side molding, OnStar, cruise, tile, AM/FM, stereo, CD, power locks, power windows, remote keyless entry, front & side air bags #6926

EVERYONE	GM FAMILY
\$18,264*	\$17,334*
\$277*	\$262*

\$1000 DOWN/4.9%/72 MO

2010 CHEVROLET TRAVERSE

Power windows, power locks, tilt, cruise, 8 passenger, stereo, CD, OnStar, ABS, Stock #1058

LEASE PER MONTH

\$294*

48 MO

Just Announced 0% 72 MONTH FINANCING ON MOST 2009'S

Lou LaRiche
CHEVROLET

www.SWITCHTOLARICHE.COM

AN AMERICAN REVOLUTION

PLYMOUTH HAGGERTY

40875 PLYMOUTH RD.
AT HAGGERTY • ACROSS FROM UNISYS
www.LARICHECHEVY.COM
www.SWITCHTOLARICHE.COM

MON. & THURS. 8:30AM-9PM • TUES., WED., & FRI. 8:30AM-6PM

1.866.385.8000

OnStar

*Prices and payments plus tax, title, doc, and lic - net incentives with option to purchase lease vehicle for predetermined amount at term. Disposition fee at term of lease \$395 with approved credit. All leases for 12,000 miles per year. Offer ends 11-30-09. Offers are GM employee family unless noted, otherwise \$500 has been deducted in lieu of 60 day money back offer. Traverse lease is \$1500 down, total due \$1794 with employee authorization.

Bill Brown *sells* FORD vehicles

better than every other dealer in the U.S.A
#1 Ford Dealer in the country

- #2 Ford Dealer is in Nebraska
 - #3 Ford Dealer is in California (they had been #1 for 19 years)
- Total retail sales 2009 YTD, per Ford Division

Why Ford.
why now.

Join the Bill Brown Ford Drive
to finish 2009 as the
#1 Ford Dealer in the Nation

Our Team will do whatever it takes to stay
ahead and that's where you come out ahead.



Better service, better selection, more
money for your trade, lots more money
for your trade. You can count on it!

NEW 2010 FORD TAURUS SEL

Featuring: SYNC, remote start, power windows, locks, seat,
speed control and tilt wheel. MSRP \$29,165

\$1000 Down Lease **\$369*** 36 Mos. \$1,700 DUE AT SIGNING
Sign & Drive Lease **\$419*** 36 Mos. \$0 DUE AT SIGNING

7 at this price - 101 available
Security deposit waived,
plus tax and license,
includes acquisition fee.

Buy For **\$23,114+**

Visit Bill Brown Ford to take advantage
of our push to stay #1

NEW 2010 FORD EDGE SE

Featuring: remote start, power windows, locks,
seat, speed control and tilt wheel. MSRP \$27,695



DRIVE TO #1

\$1000 Down Lease **\$349*** 27 Mos. \$1,606 due at delivery*
Sign & Drive Lease **\$409*** 27 Mos. \$0 DUE AT SIGNING

3 at this price - 116 available. Security deposit waived,
plus tax and license, includes acquisition fee.

Buy For **\$20,830+**

NEW 2010 FORD FUSION SE

Featuring: remote start, power windows, locks, seat,
speed control and tilt wheel. MSRP \$22,500

Motor Trend Car of the Year



DRIVE TO #1

\$1000 Down Lease **\$251*** 36 Mos. \$1,605 due at delivery*
Sign & Drive Lease **\$298*** 36 Mos. \$0 DUE AT SIGNING

55 at this price - 329 available. Security deposit waived,
plus tax and license, includes acquisition fee.

Buy For **\$17,066+**

NEW 2010 FORD FOCUS SE

Featuring: automatic, power windows, locks, speed control,
Sirius satellite radio. MSRP \$18,600



DRIVE TO #1

Sign & Drive Lease **\$199*** 36 Mos. \$0 DUE AT SIGNING

110 at this price - 292 available. Security deposit waived,
plus tax and license, includes acquisition fee.

Buy For **\$11,929+**

NEW 2010 FORD ESCAPE XLT

Featuring: moonroof, remote start, SYNC, power windows,
locks, speed control and tilt wheel. MSRP \$25,195



DRIVE TO #1

\$1000 Down Lease **\$307*** 36 Mos. \$1,694 due at delivery*
Sign & Drive Lease **\$357*** 36 Mos. \$0 DUE AT SIGNING

17 at this price - 218 available. Security deposit waived,
plus tax and license, includes acquisition fee.

Buy For **\$19,184+**

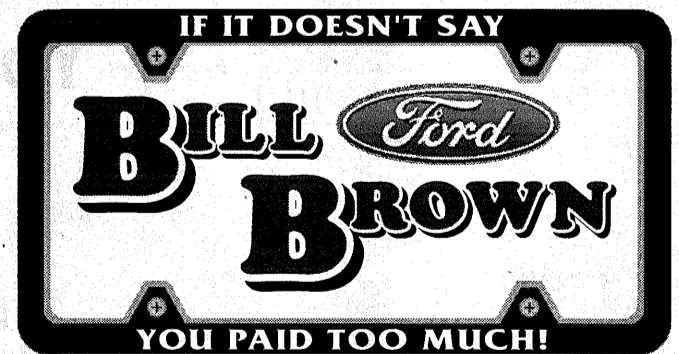
WE ARE PROUD TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH THE FORD UAW
WORKERS WHO ARE WORKING HARD TO BRING TO
MARKET THE VEHICLES THAT AMERICANS WANT TO BUY.

The quality of Ford brand vehicles is unsurpassed by Toyota
and Honda and Ford has more top safety rated vehicles than
any other manufacturer ever in US history!

BILL BROWN FORD is proud to be your local Ford dealer.
We've been serving you for 68 years while employing 170 of
your friends and neighbors. In an industry where the average
sales staff turns over yearly, our sales consultants have been
with us over 12 years on average, with many over 20 years.
You can expect that when you buy a car from us we will be
here when you need service on that vehicle and when you are
ready for the next one.

**WHAT YOU DRIVE
DRIVES AMERICA**

Bill Brown Ford has been Pro-American since the first
day we opened our doors back in 1941. We constantly
support our troops, our community and America. Our
message of what you drive, drives America is not a
marketing scheme, it is the truth. We invite you to do
some research at www.levelfieldinstitute.org and
see the facts surrounding American car companies.
Auto jobs matter to America. Nearly 5 million U.S. jobs
depend on automakers. They are America's number
one exporter, a leading buyer of parts and materials and
our largest source of research and development. **Our
buy American message is what we strongly believe.
If you do not want to buy American to help support
our country, buy American because it is BETTER!**



32222 PLYMOUTH ROAD
Just W. of Merriman in Livonia
1-800-611-2990

Browse our inventory at billbrownford.com

*All lease payments and buy prices are for qualifying A/Z planners. For qualifying non A/Z planners an additional \$900 to \$1500 would be required to keep the payments or price the same. 36 month lease 12,000 miles per year, 27 month lease 10,500 mile per year. "Buy for" price add tax, title, doc and destination fee. Subject to availability. All factory rebates assigned to dealer including owner loyalty or previous lease where applicable and may require Ford Credit financing. Not all buyers will qualify for lowest payments. Pictures may not represent actual vehicle. Payments and prices per program in effect at publication and are subject to change. All offers expires 11/30/2009.

Advertisement

WE'RE NOT JUST A LINCOLN MERCURY STORE. WE'RE PROUD MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY.

We're proud to be part of the automotive company that's driving a brighter future. And we're equally proud to be part of our community where we provide so many quality jobs to your friends and neighbors. We are a major taxpayer supporting our local quality of life. And we value our involvement and our commitment to our hometown charities. This is our town too.

Because we think of our customers as our neighbors first, we go the extra mile in how we sell and service our Lincoln Mercury vehicles. We make it easy for you to say yes, and to be happy that you did, year after year.

When you buy your next vehicle from our Lincoln Mercury Store, your money comes back to you in the local organizations that our family and employees support. We help our area schools, scholarship programs, Little League teams, police and firefighters, hospitals and other groups that make our town a great place to live in.

So, when you're ready to buy or lease your next vehicle, please stop by. Your friends and neighbors are ready to help you.

Thank you for the support you have shown our local business over the years. We are committed to continue earning your trust.



Hines Park Lincoln Mercury has been serving Plymouth/Canton and the surrounding communities for almost 40 years!

Our Lincoln Mercury Store is proud to offer two of the greenest vehicles. First, we have the most fuel-efficient SUV on the planet – the Mercury Mariner Hybrid that gets 34 mpg in the city.¹ And now we're adding the most fuel-efficient midsize sedan in America – the all-new 2010 Mercury Milan Hybrid with 41 mpg city.² And not even Toyota or Honda can beat Mercury quality.³

Lincoln has become the brand that represents what's next in technology and luxury. Lincoln is the only brand to offer the innovative SYNC[®] technology, standard.⁴ This voice-activated system allows you to manage your phone and music while you keep your hands on the wheel and eyes on the road. And not even BMW can beat Lincoln quality.³



2009 Mercury Mariner Hybrid

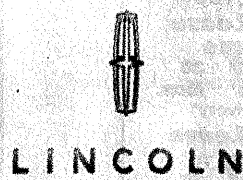


2009 Lincoln MKS

¹Based on unadjusted city fuel economy from EPA (10/08) and VCA (5/08). EPA-estimated 34 city/31 hwy mpg, 2009 Mercury Mariner Hybrid FWD. Actual mileage will vary. Excludes vehicles built for Mazda. ²EPA-estimated 41 city/36 hwy mpg. Actual mileage will vary. Midsize class per R. L. Polk & Co. ³Based on October 2008 survey of 2008 model year Mercury (Toyota/Honda) and Lincoln (BMW) and competitive owners at three months of service. ⁴Driving while distracted can result in loss of vehicle control. Only use mobile phones and other devices, even with voice commands, when it is safe to do so. SYNC not available on Lincoln Town Car.

HinesPark.com

Your dealer for life.



734-453-2424

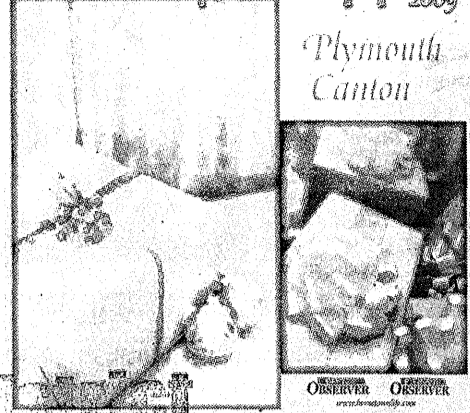
40601 Ann Arbor Rd. • Plymouth, MI 48170

Stuffed inside: Coupons, local ads, inserts for holiday shopping



New gym scores points at St. John Neumann - B1

Observer Holiday Shopper 2009



Gift Guide inside

The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers

Volume 124 Number 29

PLYMOUTH OBSERVER

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2009 . online at hometownlife.com

75 CENTS

PIPELINE

Send memories

The holiday season is upon us and, through the hustle and bustle, we're asking our readers to let us be a part of their celebration.

We're asking readers to send us their favorite holiday memories and photos to the *Observer* for the special holiday edition we're planning for Thursday, Dec. 24.

Did you get a favorite gift for Christmas, or do you have a special memory of Hanukkah? Is there a special tradition your family has that makes the season merry and bright?

Share those memories with your neighbors through us. Send your items — be sure to include a photo, if you can — to *Observer* editor Brad Kadrich at bkadrich@hometownlife.com

Santa letters

Santa Claus has started to make his list, although sources tell the *Observer* that, while he's far from check it twice, he is waiting by his mailbox for youngsters' gift lists and letters.

The *Observer* wants to make sure Santa Claus knows what children would like this Christmas and is asking youngsters to send us letters to him. We will publish the letters in the newspaper during December before sending them on to the North Pole.

The letters should be sent by e-mail and include a snapshot of the child writing the letter. They can be a list of toys, a holiday greeting for the Jolly Ol' Elf or whatever information youngsters want Santa to have.

Send Santa correspondence to bkadrich@hometownlife.com and be sure to put "Letter to Santa" in the subject line. Letters can also be sent the old-fashioned way, via postal service, to Letter to Santa, c/o Brad Kadrich, 615 W. Lafayette, Second Level, Detroit, MI 48226.

Teddy toss

The Plymouth Whalers host the 10th annual Teddy Bear Toss during the Saturday, Dec. 5 game against Sault Ste. Marie at Compuware



Arena in Plymouth Township.

Fans are asked to bring a teddy bear to throw on the ice when the Whalers score their first goal.

Over the previous nine years, the Teddy Bear Toss has resulted in thousands of teddy bears being collected and donated to organizations like the Children Charities. The bears are used to comfort children at disaster scenes and during times of crisis.

Film crew puts 'Trust' in Plymouth

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

In Plymouth David Schwimmer trusts.

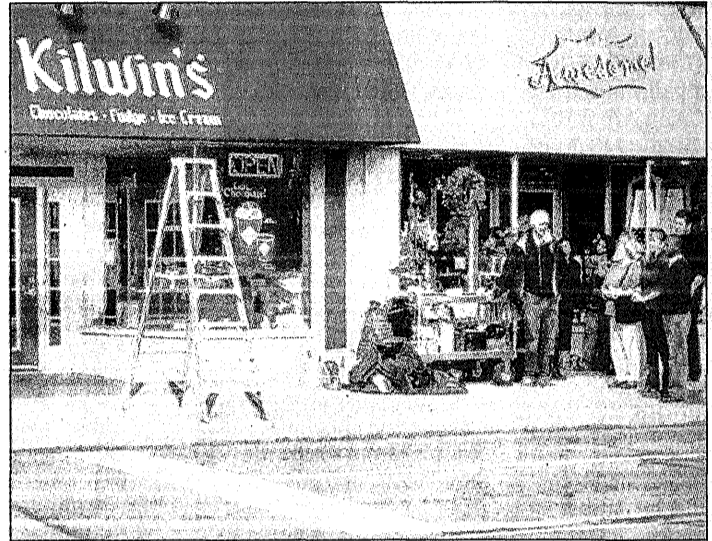
Trust is the name of the movie that Schwimmer, best known for his role as Ross on the television sitcom *Friends*, has been directing in Plymouth and other area locales in recent days. The movie, a family drama, stars Clive Owen, Catherine Keener and Noah Emmerich; the writer is Andy Bellin.

Schwimmer and his cast and crew were on Church Street last week and on Forest Avenue on Monday. Shooting began in Michigan Nov. 5 and is scheduled to be completed in mid-December, said publicist Cid Swank.

Trust is believed to be the biggest Hollywood production with a Plymouth setting since the 1980s newspaper drama *Word of Honor*, starring Ron Silver and the late Karl Malden.

"It creates economic opportunity," said Wes Graff, executive director of the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce. "Obviously, it's sent some money" into the local economy. Graff said he spoke with an assistant on the set who told him 60 percent of the film's crew is from Michigan.

Schwimmer, who is directing his second film, has been seen around Plymouth several times, including twice at the Burger Spot on Forest,

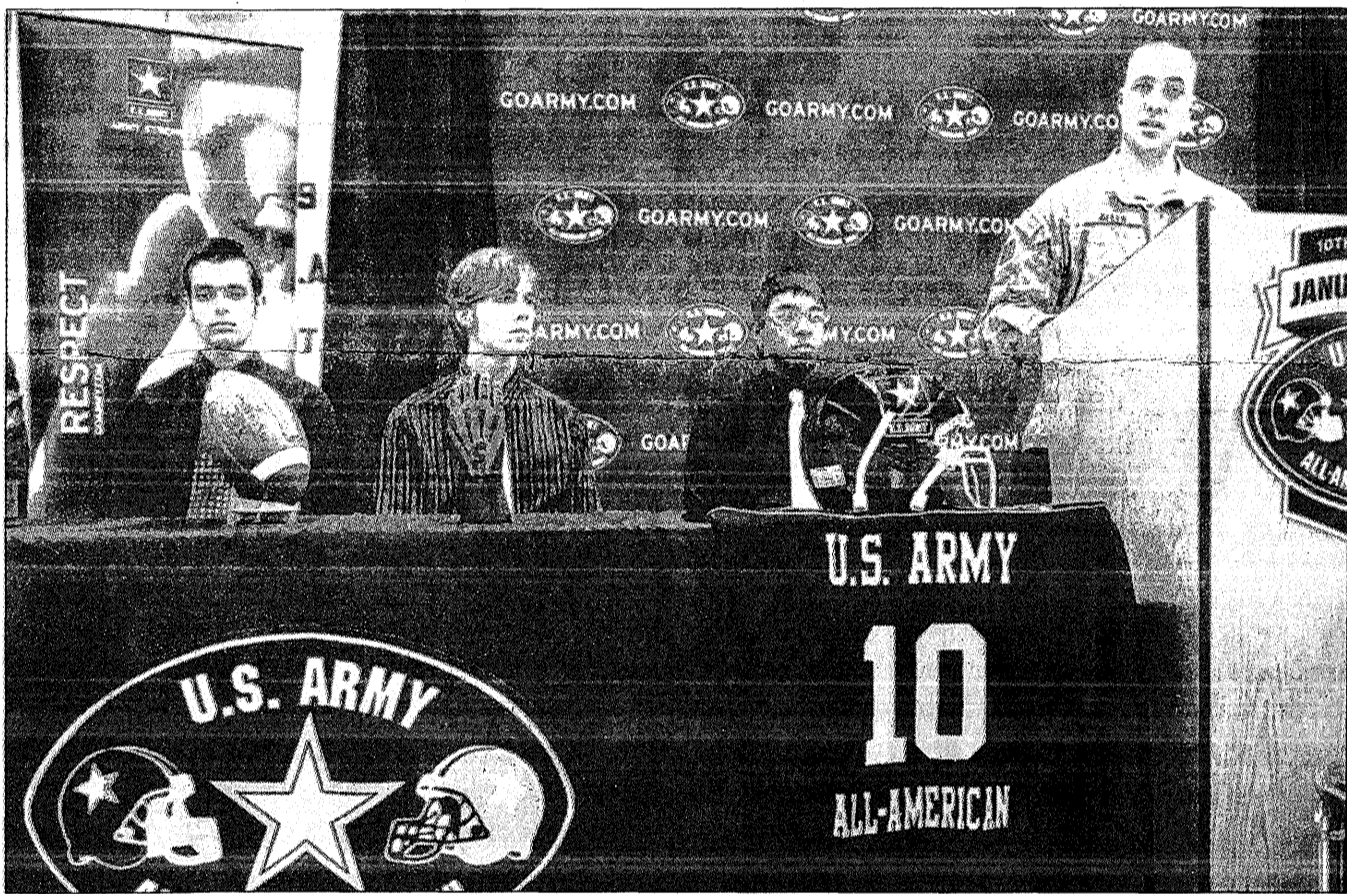


A stage hand asks movie extras to cross in front of Kilwin's during downtown Plymouth filming.

Please see **MOVIE, A3**

PHOTO BY MATT WAGNER

Marching to new drummers



Major Kel Allen introduces Jeff Garcia, Sean Coleman and Jayesh Srivastava, all chosen for the U.S. Army All-American Marching Band.

BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Local musicians chosen for Army all-star game

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Jayesh Srivastava knew other members of the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band had played in the U.S. Army All-American Marching Band, and thought it might be a cool way to march out of his comfort zone.

After successfully audition-

ing, Srivastava and two PCMB teammates get the chance to do just that when they play at halftime of the All-American Bowl in San Antonio Jan. 9. The All-American Bowl features 90 of the country's top high school football players.

Srivastava, a 17-year-old senior snare drummer at Canton High School, was chosen along

with Salem High School seniors Sean Coleman (tenor sax) and Jeff Garcia (trumpet) to be part of the 97-member marching band.

"I love music and I love performing," said Srivastava, who spent four years in PCMB. "It seemed like this would be a way

Please see **MUSICIANS, A3**

ALL-AMERICAN MARCHERS

- What: U.S. Army All-American Bowl
- When: Jan. 9
- Where: San Antonio, Texas
- Highlights: The game features 90 top high school football players; the marching band features 97 musicians chosen from around the country, including three from the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band.

Index

APARTMENTS	... C2
AUTOMOTIVE	... C5
CAREER BUILDER	... C4
CROSSWORD PUZZLE	... C2
FILTER	... B8
FOOD	... B6
OBITUARIES	... B4
PUBLIC SAFETY	... A4
REAL ESTATE	... C2
SPORTS	... B1
STRICTLY BUSINESS	... B5

For Home Delivery call: (866) 887-2737



Couple wraps up Michigan Made adventure

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

After touring the state for years through their downtown Plymouth store, Michigan Made & More, Steve and Sandy Marulis are ready for new adventures.

They have two young grandsons, Keegan and Davin, with whom they want to spend time, and four trips planned for next year, after they finish closing the shop that's provided their work, their hobby, their metaphorical Michigan vacations and much of their social life for the past decade.

Michigan Made & More is shutting down at the end of next month, with the last day of business scheduled for



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Sandy and Steve Marulis are ready to retire after 10 years of working seven days a week. Their store, Michigan Made and More will close at the end of the year.

Please see **MICHIGAN, A2**

Warm up to our Platinum VISA

- Worldwide Acceptance
- Points2U Rewards
- A Local Credit Union you can Trust

Apply by phone or online today!



(734) 453-1200 www.cfu.org

PLYMOUTH CANTON NORTHVILLE NOVI

Credit cards subject to credit approval. Your savings federally insured by NCUA. Equal Housing Lender. ©2009 Community Financial

AROUND PLYMOUTH

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

Kiwanis nuts

Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth supports the agencies and organizations that provide assistance to many people in need as well as helping folks directly. To be able to fund these various projects, the club has many fundraising activities. One of them is the Annual Gourmet Nut Fund-raiser being held now.

There are 1-pound and 3-pound cans of gourmet nuts for purchase by the can, case and pallet. They are great gifts for family, employees and clients. Please consider the Kiwanis Gourmet Nuts as your gift of choice this year and assist in allowing Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth to continue serving those in need in our community and around the world.

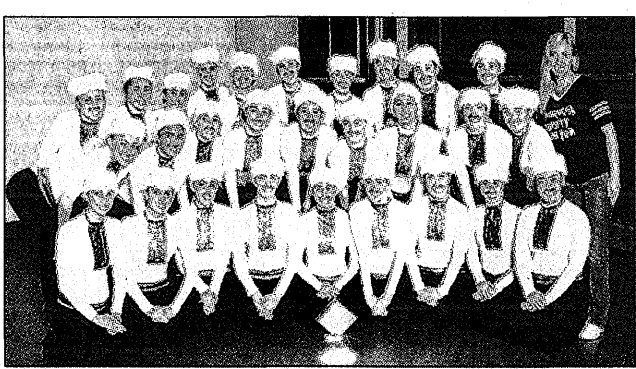
The gourmet nuts can be purchased by the can at Papa Romano's, 555 W. Ann Arbor Rd. Plymouth, (734) 459-2930, or by the case or pallet at Fitness Things, 1160 W. Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth, (734) 455-8790. Many other Plymouth businesses will also have the Kiwanis Gourmet Nuts available for purchase at their location.

Businesses interested in participating, or anyone who needs more information, can contact Gary Walley, (734) 455-8790.

Barefoot auditions

Barefoot Productions announces auditions for "Rope," a suspense/thriller by Patrick Hamilton.

Auditions take place Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 14-15, from 7-9 p.m. at the Walker/Buzenberg Building, 240 N. Main in Plymouth.



Wildcat winners

The Plymouth High School Varsity Pompon team earned first place in the Large Varsity category at the recent Mid-American Pom Pon competition at Eastern Michigan University. Members of the team, coached by Maria Hernandez - include Emma Buchele, Kimberlin Butler, Kellie Connelly, Dominica Convertino, Jillian Covault, Christina Dreyer, Kirsten Engstrom, Nichole Finch, Danielle Gomrick, Tiffany Granowicz, Angelica Janevski, Katie Justice, Madison Kinsella, Laura Krahel, Megan LaPorte, Kirstie Liakos, Lindsey Martin, Holin Pardikes, Holly Runyan, Allison Santori, Chelsea Schroeder, Katie Shelton, Kendall Torp, Jennifer Turner, Lauren Turner, Lauren Uhlian, Hayley Wakefield and Christina Winkler.

Roles are available for six males (three from ages 19-24, one 27-30 and two 45-60) and one female (19-21 years old).

"Rope" is the 1929 suspense thriller (set in London) that inspired the classic Alfred Hitchcock film, starring Jimmy Stewart. Barefoot Productions' presentation will be performed in REAL TIME, with NO intermission. British accents will be used. Performances are Feb. 12-28.

Actors should bring headshot and one prepared monologue, if available. There will be cold readings from script. Be prepared to list any scheduling conflicts.

For more information, call 734-582-9688 or visit www.just-gobarefoot.com

Corriveau coffee

State Representative Marc

Corriveau (D-Northville), whose district includes Plymouth, Northville and part of Canton, hosts a coffee hour 5:30-6:30 p.m. Nov. 30 at Parthenon Coney Island, 39910 Ford Road, in Canton.

For more information, call (734) 981-0200.

Career seminar

REMERICA HOMETOWN of Plymouth is inviting anyone out of a job or contemplating a career change to become a real estate agent and be ready for what they say is the upcoming real estate boom.

REMERICA HOMETOWN presents a pre-license training class beginning Nov. 30. Real Estate Professional Education Group, LLC at: 44025 Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth. Total class cost is \$50 and

includes all materials. Call Chris or Judy, (734) 459-6222, or e-mail info@remericahometown.com for a reservation or a private interview.

Whalers Food Drive

The Plymouth Whalers, in coordination with the Plymouth Community United Way, are sponsoring a Food Drive Saturday, Nov. 28, before their game against Kingston at Compuware Arena in Plymouth Township.

Fans are asked to bring non-perishable food items, paper or toiletry products to the game. A voucher for a discount on a future Whalers admission ticket will be given to those who donate.

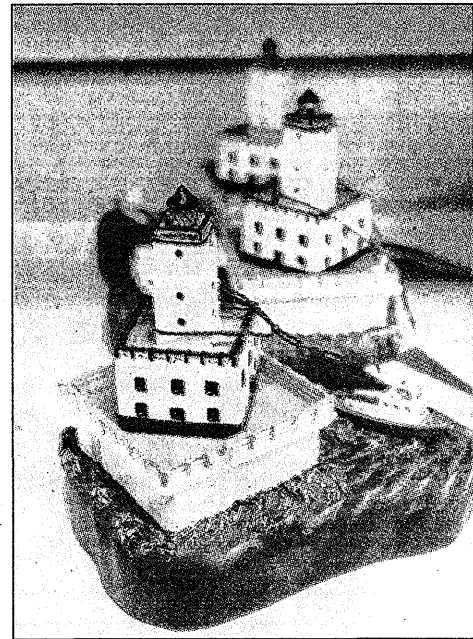
Saturday @ the Penn

The Plymouth Community Arts Council and the Plymouth Canton Symphony Society are presenting a series of family variety shows in downtown Plymouth. These shows are offered at 11:30 a.m. on the first Saturday of each month at the Penn Theater. Cost is \$4 per person.

The next performance, scheduled for Dec. 5, features special musical host Guy Louis and the Chautauqua Express with special guest performers Joe Reilly. The announcer for this performance is Tammy Trudelle.

The Penn Theater is located at 760 Penniman in Plymouth. Tickets may be purchased the day of the show. Doors open at 11:05 a.m. Show runs 11:30-1:00 p.m.

These shows are sponsored by a grant from the Wilcox Foundation, as well as by several local businesses and individuals: Quixworks, Signature Audio, Kelly & Tom Doneth, Optimist Club of Plymouth and Steve & Renee Alexandrowski.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Michigan Made and More features products related to the Great Lakes State, like a collection of miniature Michigan lighthouses.

MICHIGAN

FROM PAGE A1

Monday, Dec. 28. All nonfood merchandise is on sale and business appears to be picking up as the holidays approach. Much of their unsold stock will go to Basket Creations, a block away on Forest.

"We've had a great time. It's been lots of fun," said Sandy Marulis on Friday, while admitting to sadness at the prospect of closing. That melancholy, she said, is quickly overcome when she thinks of their travel plans.

"It just makes sense for us now," she said.

The Marulises bought Michigan Made — later adding the "More" — in early 2000, after Sandy, who has an accounting background, was laid off for the second time due to a corporate takeover. Steve wound up a nearly 30-year career as a Ford Motor Co. mechanical engineer later that year, and the two have been traveling Michigan — often without leaving the store — ever since.

"We were always learning more about Michigan because we weren't from here," said Sandy Marulis, who is from Pittsburgh, while her husband hails from the New York City borough of Queens.

The couple didn't come naturally to the retail world — neither had touched a cash register, they joke, and Sandy's father, who spent 45 years as Sears, had warned her sternly: "Do not go into retail."

But the store, they said, gave them the chance to fall more deeply in love with Plymouth, where they've lived for 32 years, and to explore the state.

And, they said, they found they liked meeting and talking to customers.

"I really enjoy the diversity of

it. There's a social aspect to it," Sandy Marulis said.

The Marulises expanded the store's offerings, in particular adding more Michigan-themed college and professional sports memorabilia and Michigan-related books. Michigan Made sells gifts and pottery, mugs, glasses and kitchenware, wood carvings and model lighthouses, cards and refrigerator magnets, food baskets and college-branded clothing and other goods, all made in Michigan or with a Michigan-related theme.

Taste of Michigan food baskets — which will continue to be sold through Basket Creations — and college goods have proven popular over the years, but the single top seller, Sandy Marulis said, is the Michigan oven mitt, which, of course, is shaped like the state for which it's named.

"These are all over the world right now," Sandy Marulis said, holding up a mitt.

The Marulises said they've taken many customers' suggestions over the years about what to carry, and gathered ideas during their own trips around the state. And they're ready for more of those Michigan trips.

"We hear so much about it, and we just aren't able to get away," Sandy Marulis said.

That's been even more difficult, she said, with the downturn in the economy, and the two haven't had two consecutive days off together for a year and a half.

Sandy Marulis has been heavily involved in the community, and her dedication won praise from Wes Graff, executive director of the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, which Sandy led as president in 2008.

"She's an incredible ambassador for the community and one of the most giving people you'll ever meet," Graff said.

She's involved with Friends of the Penn and has been a member of both the Downtown Business Association and Downtown Development Authority boards. Steve is involved, too she said; like his wife, he volunteers at the Penn, plus gets "dragged in" to help her on other projects, she joked. And her involvement in town has often meant more work for him at the store, they said.

Outside the store, the Marulises are known for dressing up as Lady Liberty and Uncle Sam for Plymouth's annual Fourth of July parade. And a visit from a real-life *The Wizard of Oz* Munchkin, Karl Slover, in 2003 is still the stuff of local legend.

Slover, then 85, was brought in for a nighttime Plymouth shopping and social event, and signed autographs in the store for four hours. The Marulises and friends and relatives dressed up like many of the movie's characters, and the store was packed. "We had people everywhere," Sandy Marulis said.

"It put us on the map," Steve Marulis said. "People knew who we were after that."

mjachman@hometownlife.com | (313) 222-2405

Observer Newspapers advertisement with contact information for home delivery, newsroom, and classified advertising.

Bray's Hamburgers advertisement featuring a \$5.00 deal on 5 hamburgers or mini fries, a gift card promotion, and store address.

Cornwell Christmas World advertisement for Christmas Open House Week (Nov 15-29) with 33% off on Christmas trees, decorations, and wreaths.

Plymouth Jewelry & Gifts advertisement for Christmas jewelry, featuring diamond rings and a store address in Plymouth.

Kitchens by Christmas advertisement for stock cabinets and kitchen remodels, with contact information for DJ Maltese.

Sweets advertisement for Thanksgiving treats, including hot cocoa, coffee, and pumpkin pie, with a 15% off promotion.

MUSICIANS

FROM PAGE A1

to step outside the traditional high school and still utilize my music skills."

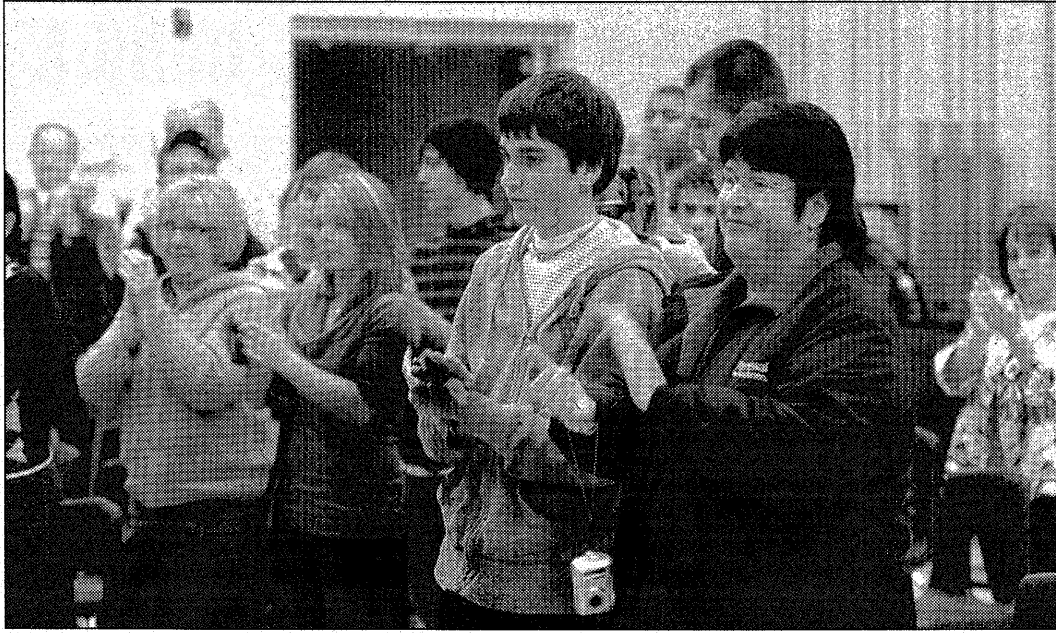
The three Plymouth-Canton musicians were chosen after nominations which included a videotaped audition. PCMB, a perennial national championship contender, got as many selections as any band in the country, according to Army officials.

Their selection for the three-year-old program is a testament to the quality of the program, according to U.S. Army All-American Bowl spokesman James Pallitto.

"It's an incredible program," Pallitto said. "This isn't a fluke. These guys year in and year out are successful."

Like his teammates, 17-year-old Garcia has spent all four of his high school years in the PCMB. He said he thought auditioning for the All-American Bowl would be fun, and performing in it would improve his skills.

"I like getting better," said Garcia, who wants to go to either the University of Michigan or Western Michigan



Proud families and friends applaud the selection of three Plymouth-Canton Marching Band members for the U.S. Army All-American Bowl.

University to study music. "I feel like it's a fun experience. I get a lot out of it musically."

Like Srivastava, Coleman had heard a lot about the Army program, and felt like participating in it would expand his experience.

"I wanted to break out beyond what we do in marching band," said Coleman. "(Marching band) has been a

very large growing experience, and I've had a lot of life experiences from it. I was pretty thrilled (at his selection). It's not a lot of people, and they're from all around the country. It's an honor."

The Plymouth-Canton Marching Band has had enormous success, winning regional, state and national honors on a yearly basis.

According to the band's first-year leader, David Armbruster, Coleman, Garcia and Srivastava are "excellent examples" of that quality.

"These guys exemplify what this program is all about," Armbruster said. "Their passion just exemplifies the spirit this program represents."

bkadrich@hometownlife.com | (313) 222-8899

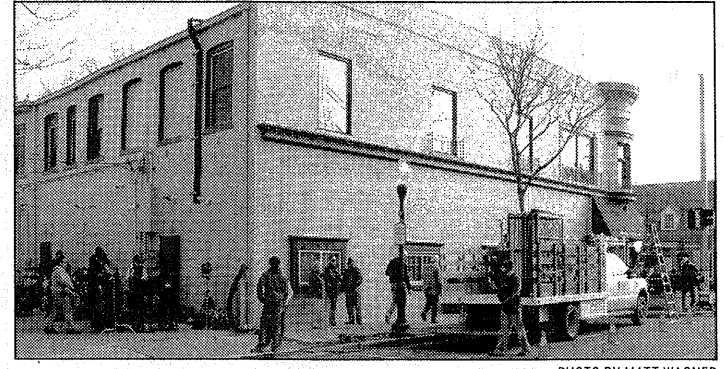


PHOTO BY MATT WAGNER

Movie crews have equipment at the ready for filming in downtown Plymouth.

MOVIE

FROM PAGE A1

where he had lunch on Monday and one day last week.

"Kind of a quiet guy," said Burger Spot owner Mike Schmidt. Schwimmer had two burgers and a large order of fries on each visit, Schmidt said. He ate alone, reading and checking messages on his phone, Schmidt said, although he was briefly accompanied by a woman on his first visit.

"Still waiting for Clive Owen or Catherine Keener," Schmidt said with a smile.

Schwimmer seemed friendly

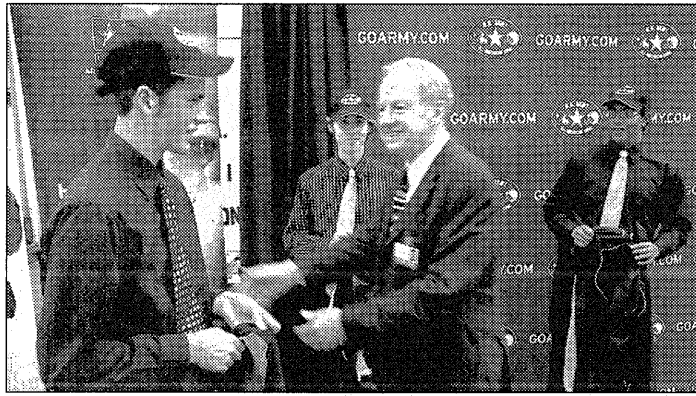
and approachable, Schmidt said, although he pretty much kept to himself. On his Monday visit, he was recognized and attracted a few curious people, he said, including one woman who spoke with him briefly, Schmidt said.

Graff said Schwimmer's interest in Plymouth speaks well of the impression the city makes on visitors.

"The quality of what they consider to be scenic, the older homes, obviously plays well with this kind of film," he said.

A made-for-cable movie, *Christmas in Pittsburgh*, is also scheduled to be partly filmed in Plymouth, beginning next month, Graff said.

mjachman@hometownlife.com | (313) 222-2405



PCEP Principal Bill Zolkowski congratulates Jeff Garcia, Sean Coleman and Jayesh Srivastava.

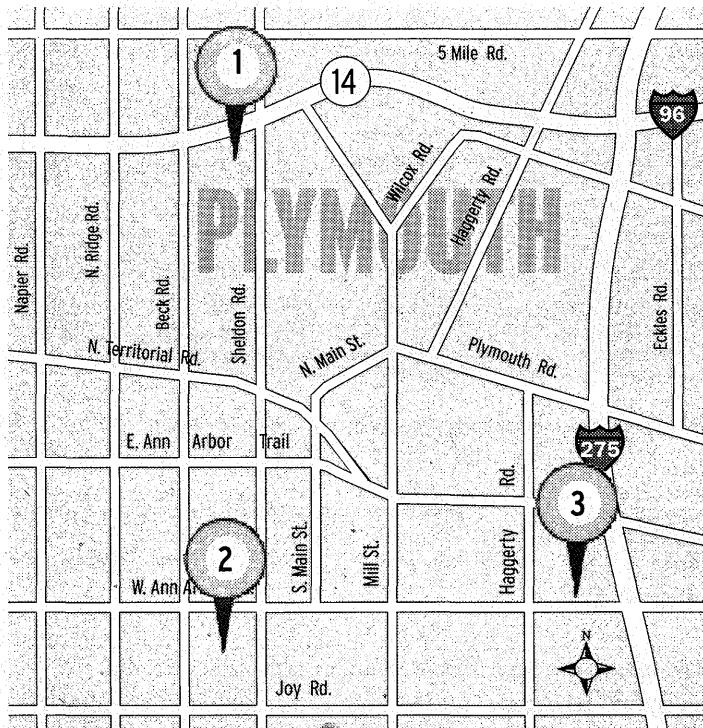
Advertisement for Lennox furnaces. Includes text: 'THINKING ABOUT... A NEW FURNACE? LENNOX Receive up to a... \$1,000 Rebate* Offer expires 11-30-09'. Also lists tax credits: 'Plus Up to a \$1,500 Federal tax credit', 'Plus Up to a \$1,000 Utility company rebate', 'Plus Up to a \$150 State tax credit'. Contact: 'FREE ESTIMATES Visit Our Showroom! (734) 525-1930'. Website: 'www.unitedtemperatureservices.com'.

Advertisement for Happy Hounds dog day care. Text: 'DOES YOUR DOG LIKE TO CUDDLE AT NIGHT? Cage-Free Overnight Boarding! Sweet Dreams at Happy Hounds! Your dog will have all the comforts of home in our home-like environment, including sleeping on the bed with our trained and loving staff member! Dog Day Care • Boarding • Training Classes Visit our website for details'. Contact: 'Bosox 734-459-DOGS 673 South Main St. • Plymouth, MI 48170 www.happyhoundsdaycare.com'. Slogan: 'A HAPPY DOG DAY... IS A DAY OF DOG PLAY!™'.

Advertisement for Crystal Creek Assisted Living. Text: 'An exceptional home-like setting for Active/Alert, Frail/Recovering, Memory Impaired and Alzheimer's residents.' Contact: 'CANTON (734) 453-3203 Located at 8121 Lilley between Joy & Warren Roads'. Services listed: '-24 Hour Professional Staffing', '-Planned Activities', '-Private/Semi Private/Barrier Free', '-Beauty & Barber Shop', '-3 Home Cooked Meals A Day', '-On Call Nurse Practitioner', '-Daily Housekeeping & Laundry', '-Medication Management', '-Wander Secured/Enclosed Courtyard', '-Incontinence Management'.

Large advertisement for Hobby Lobby. Header: 'FOODS • FLORAL SUPPLIES • SILK FLOWERS • WEARABLE ART • CRAFTS • FRAMES • CUSTOM FRAMING • CHRISTMAS SHOPPE • NEEDLE ART'. Main offer: 'Christmas Categories Shown 50% Off'. Other offers: 'Christmas Trees 6" - 12" Pre-lit & Unlit 50% Off', 'Christmas Decor Categories Shown 50% Off', 'Home Accent Categories Shown 50% Off', 'Christmas Lights Categories Shown 50% Off'. Various other items and prices are listed.

Hobby Lobby logo and store information. Text: 'HOBBY LOBBY STORE HOURS: 9-8 MONDAY-SATURDAY • CLOSED SUNDAY'. Location: 'Canton Ford Road at Lilley, west of Ikea 734-983-9142'. Special offer: 'SHOP OUR EXTENDED THANKSGIVING HOURS: 8am to 9pm FRIDAY & SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 27th & 28th'. Coupon: '\$40% OFF Any One Regular Priced Item'.



St. Joseph christens \$43 million expansion

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

An estimated 700 people turned out Sunday for St. Joseph Mercy Health System's public unveiling of its new Center for Advanced Medicine & Surgery in Canton, a state-of-the-art facility that marks a \$43 million investment in health care.

Hundreds of visitors toured the two-story, 53,000-square-foot expansion during a two-hour open house, viewing firsthand what medical officials say marks a strong commitment to area patients who need cancer treatment and outpatient surgery.

During a pre-open house dedication and blessing attended by 80 people, Dave Parr, who chairs St. Joseph's board, said the new center signals the health system's pledge to offer "remarkable medicine and remarkable care." The addition was built onto an 85,000-square-foot facility that opened 11 years ago near Canton Center and Palmer.

The first-floor cancer center is expected to open in early to mid-December, providing services such as southeast Michigan's first Rapid Arc radiation therapy. The second-story surgery center for minimally invasive procedures is expected to open by late spring.

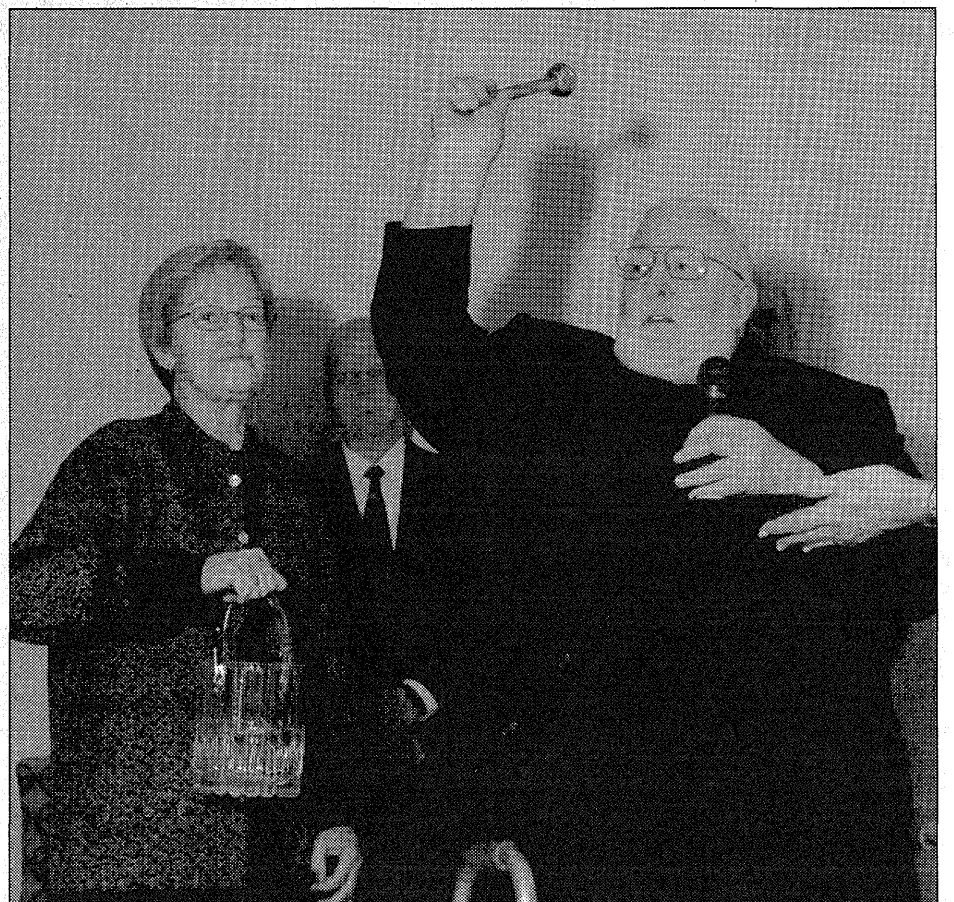
Garry Faja, president and CEO for St. Joseph and regional market executive for Trinity Health, made opening remarks to welcome a crowd that included dignitaries such as Canton Township Supervisor Phil LaJoy and wife Jean, state Rep. Dian Slavens and Wayne County Circuit Judge Mark Slavens, her husband.

The event marked a proud day for Kathy Kasperek-Korelis, the new center's project director, who started out more than 20 years ago at the St. Joseph facility near Ford and Lilley roads.

The Rev. Dr. Tim Dombrowski, a St. Joseph mission and medical ethics specialist who in 1998 blessed the original building at 1600 S. Canton Center, gave Sunday's blessing along with Sister Yvonne Gellise, St. Joseph's senior advisor for governance.

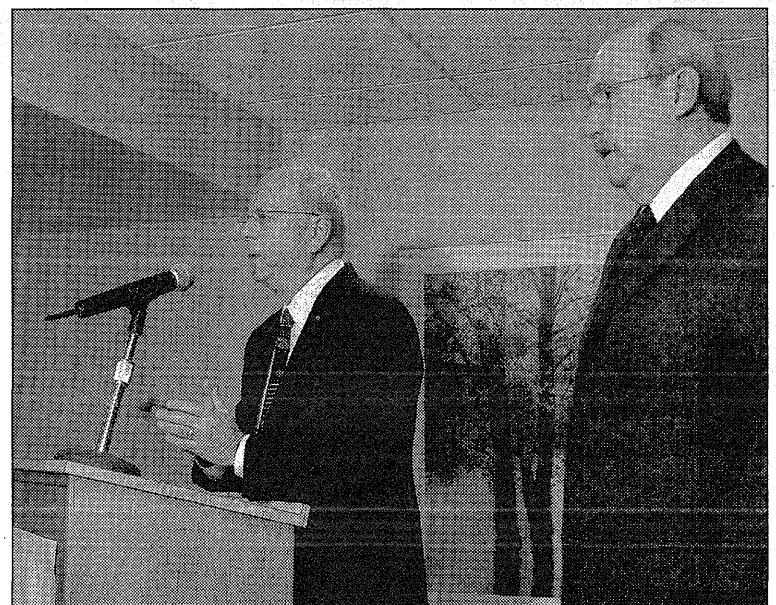
As Sister Gellise sprinkled holy water over the crowd, Dombrowski said, "Let this facility be a beacon to this community as a place to receive care and treatment that is caring and compassionate."

Dave McNeil, outpatient oncology chaplain, also addressed the crowd



PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Rev. Dr. Timothy Dombrowski and Sr. Yvonne Gellise, RSM, bless St. Joseph Mercy's new facility.



Board of Trustees chair David Parr speaks about St. Joe's health care mission. Garry Faja is the president and CEO of Saint Joseph Mercy Health System.

during dedication, which came just before community residents started lining up in the lobby to see the new facility.

LaJoy lauded St. Joseph for expanding the Canton facility, saying "we have

enjoyed a long-standing relationship with St. Joe's and are excited about the wonderful new services they are bringing to the community."

dclcm@hometownlife.com | (313) 222-2238

Locks cut off storage trailers

Nothing was reported stolen from four storage trailers that were broken into in an industrial park in central Plymouth Township last week. Police are investigating.

The trailers were outside four different businesses in the park, two on Port Street, one on Helm and one on Mast, according to Plymouth Township Police Department reports. A padlock had been cut off the door of each trailer, police said; the break-ins were discovered early Saturday.

In two incidents, the complainants told police nothing had been stolen. In two others, it was not immediately clear if anything had been stolen, police said.

One incident on Port Street was captured on video, in which a male appeared to be working alone. The business owner told police the trailer had been broken into in June and he had since installed security cameras. He had also removed anything of value from the trailer, he said.

POLICE

Car burglary

A purse, with credit and debit cards and identification in it, and a satellite navigation system were reported stolen Friday from a car parked in the driveway of a house on Primrose Court.

The 1998 Saturn had apparently been left unlocked, as police found no signs of forced entry. The burglary occurred on the night of Nov. 19 or some time the next morning, a police report said.

Locker break-in

Cash was reported stolen from a Canton Township man's wallet after his locker was broken into at Bally's Total Fitness, on Ann Arbor Road east of Haggerty, one afternoon last week.

The break-in occurred as the man worked out between about 4:25 p.m. and 5 p.m. Nov. 19, a police report said. Police said the locker had been forced open.

By Matt Jachman

Store Closing SALE

Including... ALL Thomas Kinkade Canvas Editions

1/2 OFF

the regular price... or lower!

All Fixtures for Sale!

Sale Terms:
Cash, Checks, Visa, Mastercard, Amex, Discover. ALL SALES FINAL

Sale Hours:
Mon-Thur and Sat 10-6, Friday 10-8, Sunday 12-5

Slim-N-fit Boot Camp

Lose Inches, Burn Fat, Have FUN!!!

2 Weeks FREE*

*Coupon expires 12-17-09. One coupon per person.

6 Week Weight Loss Program that burns 9x more fat than regular aerobics!
Puts you in a fat-burning state for 24-48 hrs.

Visit www.healthandmotion.net

@ Center Court Sports • 7171 N. Haggerty • Canton, MI
For More Information Call 248-987-4107

In Loving Memory ...at the Holidays

Remember the loved ones you've lost by placing a special holiday remembrance tribute.

The Observer and Eccentric/Hometown Weekly newspapers will be publishing a special "In Remembrance" page for the holidays. Here's the perfect opportunity to honor the memory and celebrate the life of loved ones who hold a special place in your heart.

Prices start at **\$15.00** for a photo "In Remembrance" ad

Publication: Sunday, Dec. 20th
...in the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers
Thursday, Dec. 24th
...in the Hometown Weekly Newspapers

Deadline for both issues...Monday, Dec. 14th

OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC NEWSPAPERS
HOMETOWN WEEKLIES

Call: 800-579-7355
Fax: 313-496-4968
Email: oeads@hometownlife.com

Family sets up scholarship to keep their son's memory alive

BY KURT KUBAN
STAFF WRITER

With the one-year anniversary of his death quickly approaching, the family of Dustin Piepsney has been busy making sure his name will never be forgotten.

Dustin's parents, Bill and Amy Piepsney, have set up a scholarship to honor their son, who was found dead behind their Canton home on Dec. 12. They are in the process of raising money for the scholarship, which, if all goes according to plan, will be awarded annually to a student from Canton.

According to Bill Piepsney, he and his wife decided to start the scholarship soon after their son's death.

"This is a way to give back to the community, and to also keep his memory alive," he said.

Dustin died of a single gunshot wound to the head shortly after he came home from school on a Friday afternoon. Canton police investigators concluded that he had committed suicide, something the family has never accepted. In addition to the fact that there was no suicide note, there was never any indication from anyone who knew Dustin that he was upset about anything.

In fact, Bill Piepsney said his son was involved in school, had many friends, and was also active in sports, especially wrestling. That is why they have decided to award the scholarship to a wrestler — at least for the first year.

"This year it will be for a wrestler. We could change that in the future. Maybe we will make sure it will be awarded to any athlete in the future. We really haven't figured it out yet. We're still trying to work out the details," said Piepsney, who is a 1988 graduate of Westland John Glenn High School.

The Piepsneys have approached the Canton Community Foundation to administer the scholarship for them, and it will be part of the foundation's annual scholarship program, which annually awards about two dozen college scholarships to students living in Canton.

Canton Community Foundation President Joan Noricks said the Piepsneys are hoping to get the scholarship endowed, which means they will have to raise \$10,000. If they are able to achieve that, the scholarship will sustain itself through investments.

"If they are able to get it endowed, they won't have to do fund-raisers every year to pay for it," said Noricks.

To get to that threshold, the Piepsneys have been busy hosting several fund-raisers. The latest will be taking place over the course of the next month at the U.S. 12 Bar and Grill, located at 34824 W. Michigan Avenue in Wayne. The bar will be holding a poker fund-raiser several nights a week through the end of December. They started on Monday, and are hoping to have a big turnout Thanksgiving night beginning at 8 p.m. It will feature a \$100 buy-in deep

stack tournament, and will include up to a \$10,000 prize pool. There will also be a blackjack table.

"We're expecting a big crowd on Thursday," Bill Piepsney said. "We have a lot of friends in the area who have really spread the word around."

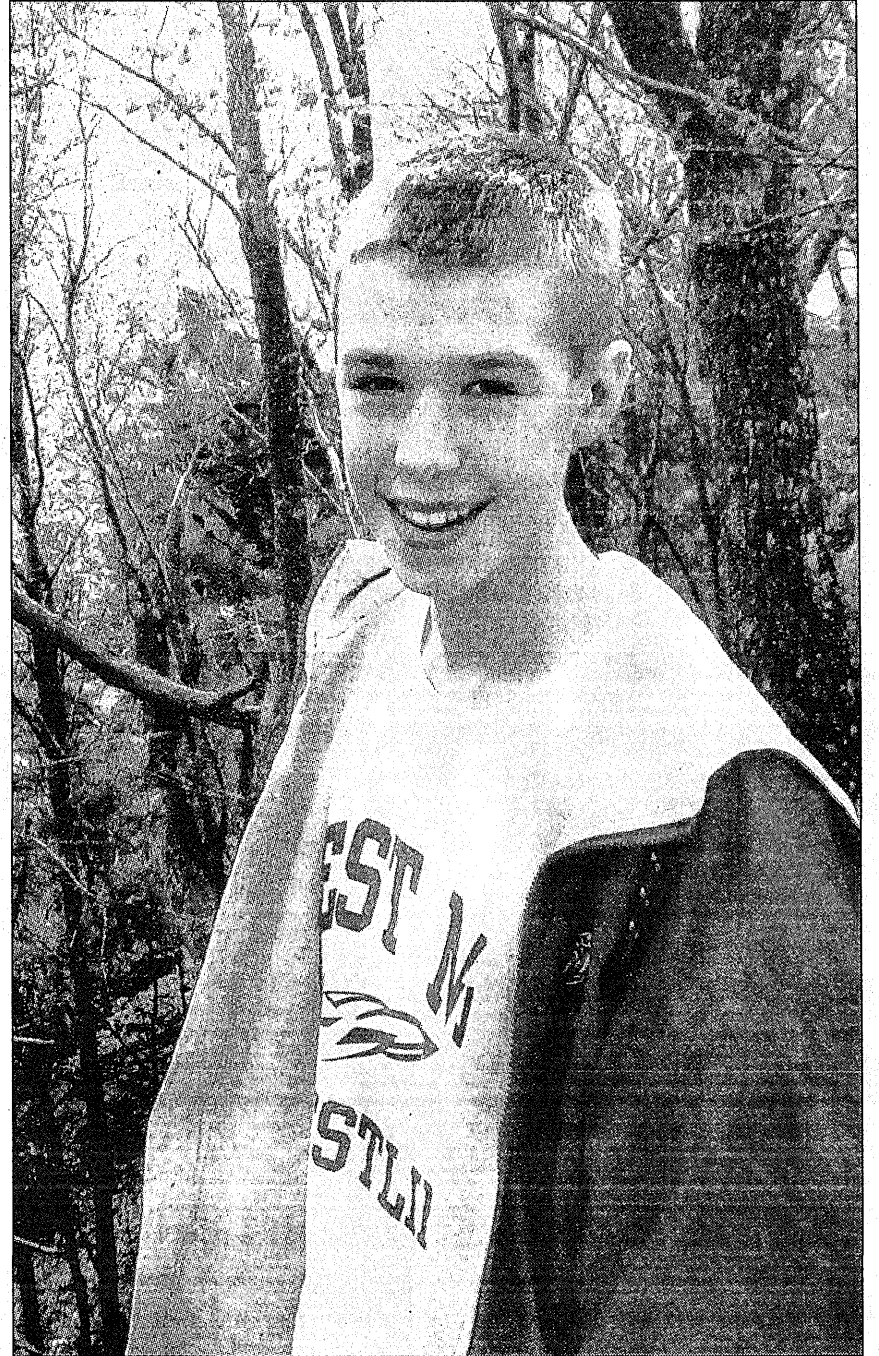
The other dates U.S. 12 will be hosting the poker tournaments include Dec. 1-4, Dec. 17-20, and Dec. 29-30. All games begin at 7 p.m. on those dates.

For those who don't like to gamble, but still want to contribute to the scholarship fund, can contact the Canton Community Foundation at (734) 495-1200 and make a donation. "These contributions will qualify for tax credits, which people can write off at tax time," Noricks said.

Noricks said students interested in applying for the scholarship can visit the foundation's Web site (www.cantonfoundation.org) after Jan. 1 and download an application. Applications for all the scholarships offered through the foundation can be found on the Web site.

The Piepsneys are still trying to cope with the loss of their son, who they believe was with at least one other person the day he died. They are hoping somebody will ultimately come forward with the truth about his death.

"There is rarely a minute that goes by, every day, that we don't think about him and what happened. We hope to find out some day. For now, we are going to do all we can to keep his memory alive," he said.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Dustin Piepsney was active in many sports, including wrestling at East Middle School.

Protect your Retirement.



<p>Plymouth Office 706 South Main Street Plymouth, MI 48170 (734) 354-9200</p>	<p>Northville Office 201 East Main Street Northville, MI 48167 (248) 449-3700</p>	<h1>2.5%* APY 9 Month IRA</h1> <p>Fixed Rate FDIC Insured</p>	 Monroe Bank & Trust
<p>Visit one of our 25 branch locations or call for details 800-321-0032 or visit us at www.mbandt.com</p> <p><small>*The Annual Percentage Yield (APY) is accurate as of 4/20/2009. This promotional rate applies to new IRAs with a 9-month term opened. This rate applies to the initial IRA CD term only. Automatically renews to another IRA - 9-month term, or, if we no longer offer it with a 9-month term, to a standard 12-month CD IRA. We may change the promotional rate at any time without prior notice. There is a penalty for early withdrawals. Additional restrictions may apply. Fees may reduce earnings.** Retirement accounts opened through Monroe Bank & Trust, including Roth and Traditional IRAs, are insured by the FDIC up to \$250,000 per depositor. These accounts are insured separately from other deposits you may have with Monroe Bank & Trust. Member FDIC</small></p>			

COME SEE...

THE GLORY OF CHRISTMAS

2009

"...it's Better than Broadway!"

SHOW TIMES


DEC 3 & 10 - 7:30P
 DEC 4 & 11 - 7:30P
 DEC 5 & 12 - 1:00P
 DEC 6 & 13 - 3:00P & 7:30P

TICKETS

\$16 & \$18 (INCLUDES SERVICE & HANDLING FEES)
NORTHRIDGECHURCH.COM/GOC OR CALL 888.4GOCTIX (888.446.2849)

PLEASE NOTE

DUE TO THE LENGTH OF THE SHOW (2 1/2 HRS),
 CHILDREN UNDER 4 YEARS WILL NOT BE ADMITTED!


NorthRidge Church

49555 NORTH TERRITORIAL, PLYMOUTH, MI 48170 734.414.7777 NORTHRIDGECHURCH.COM

