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## PLYMOUTH PIPELINE

### Pantry aid

Shoppers at Kroger, Hillers and Meijer stores have a chance to not only get some good deals, but help the Plymouth Salvation Army's food pantry.

Each of those grocery stores is offering a promotion on certain items throughout February. Shoppers who spend an extra \$10 do so to the benefit of the food pantry. Shoppers purchase the items, then drop them off at Salvation Army, located on S. Main just south of Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth.

Shoppers shouldn't worry about exactly what to get.

"Our pantry, like most, is taking a post-holiday hit," said Laurie Aren, the Plymouth Salvation Army's director of family and community outreach. "If folks shop at these stores and spend an extra \$10, our pantry benefits. If it's on sale, our pantry needs it."

Suggested items include (but aren't limited to) canned fruits and vegetables, boxed rice and pasta dishes, hamburger helper, shaving cream, deodorant, canned spaghetti and other pasta meals, dishwashing soap, shampoo and conditioner.

For more information, call the Salvation Army at (734) 453-5464.

### Clerk board

Plymouth Township Clerk Joe Bridgman was recently appointed to the Board of Directors of the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks.

Bridgman is a member of the International Institute of Municipal Clerks, where he achieved the designation of Certified Municipal Clerk. He is a member of the Association of Wayne County Clerks, and the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks, where he has served on numerous committees including the Education Committee, Conference Committee and the Clerk of the Year Committee.

The MAMC is an association comprised of city, township, village and county clerks and deputies. The purpose of the Association is to promote, enhance, and encourage the professional development and standing of municipal clerks and to address legislative matters relating to the municipal Clerk's responsibilities.

Bridgman will serve as co-chairperson of the Education Committee.



Bridgman

## Chevy dealer 'confident' appeal will save business

BY MATT JACHMAN  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

As he fights to win a reprieve that would save his Chevrolet dealership, Scott LaRiche is optimistic.

"It will be good news," LaRiche, executive manager at Lou LaRiche Chevrolet in Plymouth Township, said Thursday. "I feel very confident."

Lou LaRiche was among hundreds of car and truck dealerships that were notified by General Motors Corp. last June that the Detroit-based automaker would stop doing business with them. The news came with the company's federal bankruptcy filing, a few weeks after an initial round of dealership cuts.

Scott LaRiche has been working since then to get the decision reversed, and now he has a weapon — a federal law — that could help.

The law requires GM and Chrysler Corp. dealerships that are fighting the corporations' decisions to sever ties to file appeals with the American Arbitration Association, which will make the final decisions.

The deadline for appeals passed Monday, and some 1,573 appeals, including one from LaRiche, were filed. The AAA will hold a hearing in each case, LaRiche said, and make its decision within seven days after that.

"I think the timing to bring dealerships back is really, really good, especially with the (State of the

Union) speech last night and how important jobs are," LaRiche said.

GM has not been supplying the dealership with new vehicles since last June, except for those that had already been ordered, LaRiche said. GM has continued to provide service, parts and warranty support, he said.

Despite the cutoff, LaRiche is still selling new Chevys, buying them from other dealers, he said.

"We are a tenacious group," LaRiche said. "We're working hard."

The dealership had sales volume of 1,197 new vehicles in 2008, LaRiche said, ranking 97th out of some 4,300 Chevrolet dealers that year.

"You would certainly think the top 100 dealers would have made the

cut," he said.

The federal law requires a dealer's appeal to be heard by the AAA within 180 days of when it was filed, LaRiche said. That means the entire process should be wrapped up by August.

LaRiche's employment was about 70 at the time of GM's bankruptcy filing, and is now at 52, Scott LaRiche said. No one has been laid off, he said, but some have left because of the uncertainty of the situation.

A GM spokeswoman said Friday that the company is not publicly identifying the dealerships with which it intends to sever ties.

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Anne Rinehart remembers a pet groundhog she knew nearly 80 years ago in Shadyside, Ohio.

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## Groundhog days

### Burrowing rodent was local woman's childhood pet

BY MATT JACHMAN  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

As another Groundhog Day approaches and the world wonders whether Punxsutawney Phil will see his shadow in Pennsylvania, Anne Rinehart recalls a particular groundhog she knew nearly 80 years ago in Shadyside, Ohio.

Sparky, a baby groundhog caught by her stepfather, was her pet for about six weeks in the summer of 1932, she believes, the summer she turned 12 years old.

"I tamed it somehow, and I think it was by offering it food," Rinehart, now 88, said at her Plymouth Township home, where she lives with Christine and Michael Wolf, her daughter and son-in-law.

Sparky had bitten her stepfather, Fred Wilson, so he gave it to her, Rinehart said. Wilson had caught it while out hunting groundhogs. The rodents were considered pests — their burrowing damaged crops and undermined building foundations — and hunting them was a favor to area farmers, Rinehart said.

No one knew whether Sparky was male or female, Rinehart said, but she decided Sparky was a he.

Sparky grew under her care, she said, and allowed her to hold him in her arms.

He stayed in a cage, and as he grew was also allowed to burrow in the yard, she said. Bananas were his favor-

ite food; he could always be coaxed out of a burrow by a banana, she said.

"The combination of groundhog and banana is very strange," Rinehart said. Sparky also ate grass, dried bread and clover, she said.

Sparky disappeared, Rinehart said, while she was away from home for a few days.

According to her mother, Hedwig "Hattie" Wilson, Sparky had found his way into a kitchen cupboard and was sampling freshly baked cupcakes and was driven out with a flyswatter.

"Of course he ran and, as far as I'm concerned, was never seen again," Rinehart said.

The young Anne (she preferred that over her given name, Selma), missed her pet. "I wasn't very happy, but you didn't contradict my mother," she said.

Rinehart lived for most of her life in Ohio, moving to her daughter's house in 2008. She's a retired schoolteacher with a master's degree in special education and bachelor's degrees in philosophy and theology. In the Canton, Ohio, area, she is well-known for her volunteer work, her daughter said.

She likes to knit — she is currently working on a blanket for a baby about to be born to a crack cocaine-addicted mother — and read mystery novels.

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## Former trustee eyes Senate seat

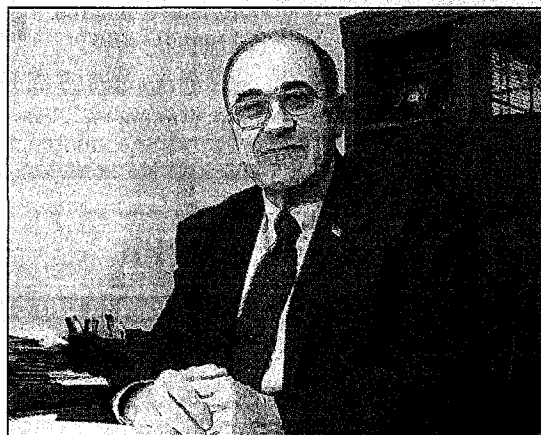
BY BRAD KADRICH  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Abe Munfakh thinks too many state legislators are attorneys or career politicians worried about where their next job is going to be.

With the state's economy continuing to founder, Munfakh, a retired business owner and former Plymouth Township trustee, believes the state would benefit from electing businessmen who've proven they can create jobs.

That's why Munfakh filed to run for the state Senate's 7th District seat being vacated by the term-limited Bruce Patterson. Munfakh, a Plymouth Township resident, is the only Republican in the race to this point, according to the Wayne County elections division. Democrats Marc Corriveau of Northville, currently the 20th District state representative, and former state Rep. Kathleen Law of Gibraltar are the only Democrats to file thus far.

"I filed because I'm a businessman and what's happening in Lansing is bothering me," said Munfakh, who last served on the Plymouth Township board in 2004. "We need someone who



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Former Plymouth Township Trustee Abe Munfakh, a retired engineering consultant, will seek the 7th District seat in the state Senate.

knows how to create jobs. We need to convince businesses to come to Michigan, which is some-

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**Support for caregivers**

The Plymouth District Library is the site of monthly Caregiver Support Group meetings, made possible by Adult Well-being Services, a non-profit organization serving Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. Each meeting is facilitated by a professional and a variety of subjects are discussed.

Held monthly, the meetings at the library are held the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. A second gathering for spouses only is held the first Tuesday of the month at 1 p.m. The next scheduled meetings

are for Feb.1 at 7 p.m. and Feb.2 at 1 p.m.

For more information, contact Chris Goldberg, Adult Well Being Services, at (313) 359-0736 or cgoldberg@awbs.org

**Corriveau coffee**

State Rep. Marc Corriveau, (D-Northville), hosts a coffee hour at the Coffee Bean on Penniman in downtown Plymouth 5:30-6:30 p.m.

The Coffee Bean is located next to the post office.

**Tea and tales**

Cozy up to the table for some midwinter tales of yesteryear during the Plymouth Historical Museum's upcoming "Tea and Tales" event, Sunday, Feb. 28 at 2 p.m.

Debra Christian will regale

listeners with stories following the delectable treats prepared by Sweet Afton Tea Room in Plymouth. Christian is a speech and language pathologist at Douglas Elementary School in Garden City. A Victorian-style tea will be served complete with scones, tea sandwiches, and other fare. The tea that will be served is the Museum's new signature blend, "Mary's Blend," a tantalizing cherry and almond black tea in honor of Mary Todd Lincoln.

Purchase tickets at the Plymouth Historical Museum or using Paypal on the Museum's website at [www.plymouthhistory.org/Events.html](http://www.plymouthhistory.org/Events.html). Tickets are going fast and will not be available at the door.

For more information, call (734) 455-8940 or e-mail [secretary@plymouthhistory.org](mailto:secretary@plymouthhistory.org). The Plymouth Historical Museum is located at 155 S. Main Street, one block north of Kellogg Park.

**Rockettes clinic**

The Salem Rockettes Pom Team hosts its annual pom/dance clinic at Salem High School Saturday, March 6.

Youngsters in grades K-5 go from 9 a.m. to noon; grades 6-8 go from 1-4 p.m. The cost is \$40. For more information, contact Kim Benintende at (734) 340-9360 for more information, or check the team's Web site at [www.pompon.salemrocks.com](http://www.pompon.salemrocks.com)

**LifeCare seminar**

LifeCare Christian Center presents a "Change Your Life" Saturday Seminar, "Recharge Your Marriage with GRACE," featuring topics such as "This isn't what I signed up for," and "Where did the love go?" 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, at 570 S. Main in Plymouth.

The seminar is presented by Reid and Marilyn Kistler. Cost is \$15 per individual, \$25 per couple (proceeds go to support the life-changing efforts of LifeCare).

For more information, contact Lillian Easterly-Smith, [info.lifecarecc@gmail.com](mailto:info.lifecarecc@gmail.com) or call (734) 956-2109.

**Appraisal clinic**

The Plymouth Historical Museum will be holding an antique appraisal clinic with Ernie DuMouchelle of DuMouchelle Art Galleries in Detroit on Wednesday, March 3, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Items to be appraised include antique furniture, art, and small objects. No jewelry please. Appraisals are by appointment only and time slots are filling up quickly. Oral evaluations will be provided for \$10 per item; written evaluations will be provided



**Barefoot on stage**

Plymouth-based Barefoot Productions presents the play, 'Rope,' about two wealthy collegians who execute a 'perfect murder,' placing the hapless victim's body in their parlor trunk and proceeding to host a dinner party, serving food off the same macabre trunk. Among the dinner guests is their respected mentor, who unwittingly may have contributed to the young men's twisted actions. Performances are 8:40 p.m. Feb. 12-13, Feb. 19-20 and Feb. 26-27, and 2 p.m. Feb. 21 and Feb. 28. Barefoot Productions stages the play at 240 N. Main in Plymouth (the former Walker-Buzenberg building). Tickets may be purchased online at [www.justgobarefoot.com](http://www.justgobarefoot.com) or by calling the box office at (734) 560-1493. Tickets are \$12 for general admission and \$10 for students/seniors.

for \$15 per item. There is a maximum of four items to be appraised per 15 minute time slot. Call now for an appointment, (734) 455-8940. The Plymouth Historical Museum is located at 155 S. Main Street, just north of downtown Plymouth.

**Crafters wanted**

The Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters host their seventh annual Spring Arts and Crafts Ensemble on Saturday, March 13. Exhibitors who hand-craft their own items are invited to submit an application to exhibit at the fundraising event to be held at Plymouth High School in Canton. The juried art event is produced twice each year by the PCMB to help support the band and color guard programs at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

Artists and crafters who are interested in applying for consideration to exhibit should visit [www.pcmb.net/artcraft](http://www.pcmb.net/artcraft) to download an application and submit, with photos as soon as possible. For more details, contact exhibit coordinator Carol Rosati at (734) 455-0714. Only 105 exhibitors will be permitted to exhibit at this artistic event. The most recent PCMB Art & Craft Ensemble had over 2,000 visitors.

"The Arts & Craft Ensemble has grown to be a high quality, well-attended event where only hand-made items are sold," said John Noss, president of the 2010 Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters.

"The money raised helps the Concert and Marching Bands, Color Guard and Percussion programs that provide students with a one of a kind arts experience. Our recent Holiday event had record-breaking attendance of over 2000 people, so we know the community is accepting of this show."

Plymouth High School is located at 8400 Beck Road in Canton. The Spring Arts & Craft Ensemble will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on March 13. In addition to over 100 exhibits, there will be food, a raffle, and entertainment by local musicians and artists throughout the day. Admission is \$2.

**Pioneer Peace Project**

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill will be showcasing the photographs of Pioneer Middle School students now through Feb.24 in the Gallery@VT. This powerful exhibit is part of "The Pioneer Peace Project," a service learning initiative connecting students with each other and to their world.

As part of yearlong service learning project, eighth graders from Pioneer Middle School were challenged to explore the concept of peace from behind the lens. The photographs were taken when the students traveled to New York City this past April in collaboration with Todd Parr, professional artist and author of "The Peace Book," to spread a message of peace. While in the Big Apple, each student documented their experiences as a part of Behind the Lens III—a photojournalism project displaying photographs, poetry, reflections and art. These dynamic black and white photographs illustrate

the ideals of peace and the importance of the arts while contributing to part of "The Great Conversation," an exchange of ideas that has evolved over thousands of years and continues to examine who we are and what our purpose is.

This multi-media art exhibit at the Gallery@VT is free and open to the public Monday-Friday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and during public performances at the theater. The Gallery@VT is closed on holidays.

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road in Canton. For more information call (734) 394-5300 or visit [cantonvillagetheater.org](http://cantonvillagetheater.org).

**CFCU scholars**

Community Financial will be awarding 11 scholarships in April, valued at \$1,000 apiece.

Applications can only be made on-line by going to <http://scholarships.egrant.org>, creating an account and logging in. Read the guidelines for our "Community Financial Margaret Dunning and George Lawton Scholarships."

Students who qualify need only complete just one application; they will be considered for both scholarships.

Deadline to submit four copies of the application is March 5.

Headquartered in Plymouth, membership in Community Financial is open to anyone who lives, works, worships, volunteers or attends school in the Michigan cities, townships or counties of Plymouth, Canton, Northville, Novi, Alpena, Otsego and Montmorency.

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**Ice Cream Social**

The Council on Aging also hosts an Ice Cream Social with State Representative Marc Corriveau 2-3:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 22, also at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

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# Coping with the pain

## Author hopes to help children deal with loss of a loved one

BY BRAD KADRICH  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

When Tia Barbero needed a concept for a book while attending a writer's workshop, she thought of a young man she knew at West Middle School, a boy who emotionally shut down completely after the death of his father.

Barbero, a para-professional at the school, could relate. She watched her children deal with the death of her husband — their father — after he succumbed to cancer in July 2005.

The shared pain — and the aftermath of dealing with it — inspired Barbero to write *Dadsongs: Remembering a Loved One's Melody*, a children's book she hopes will help youngsters learn to deal with that kind of pain and loss.

"That student had no friends, didn't want to learn, and you couldn't even mention his dad to him," Barbero said. "Working with these kids, I've seen so many of them shut down."

Her own children — Francie, 25, Paul, 23, and Mary 22 (the couple had a fourth child, Claire, who died at 18 months old of a heart condition) — dealt with their father's death in their own ways. But their methods of grief control were helped greatly — by their dying father.

Chris Barbero, a recycling manager for Waste Management, learned in March 2005 he had lung cancer. While beginning treatments they weren't sure were going to do much good, Chris Barbero set about teaching his children — and his wife — how to cope with life without him.

Knowing his children were worried their family was going to change, Chris Barbero worked to let his kids know death doesn't necessarily keep families apart.

"When he was dying, Chris told us he's still going to be watching us," Tia said. "He said, 'We're still going to be a

### AUTHOR APPEARANCE

**Who:** Author Tia Barbero  
**What:** Book signing for 'Dadsongs: Remembering a Loved One's Melody'  
**When:** 1 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 21  
**Where:** Resurrection Parish, Warren west of Beck, in Canton

family and everything is going to be OK."

Music was always an important part of the Barbero home life. Chris, who was 51 when he died, played the guitar and the harmonica. "He played anything that squeaked," his wife said with a laugh. On their 20th anniversary, Tia made a CD of songs she wanted Chris to hear, music she said showed her husband how she felt about him.

While trying to help his youngest child, Mary, come to grips with his impending death, Chris worked with his daughter to make a similar CD for Tia, a CD to which his wife found it difficult to listen.

The CD helped Tia come to grips with everything, too.

"(Life) was a journey he and I shared together," Tia said. "It was inspiring to me because he was so courageous. At first, I didn't want to listen (to the CD), because it hurt too much. Then it became like he was speaking to me."

Making that CD smoothed the grieving process for Mary. When Tia wrote the book, she turned to another child, son Paul, to help put the finishing touches on it. Paul, who started out in the art program at Siena Heights then transferred to the Tyler School of Art in Philadelphia, agreed to illustrate her inspiration.

Paul admitted his father's death "hurled me into a position where I had to block that out just to get by dealing with the day-to-day." When his mother first approached him, he hesitated — "I wasn't really on board" — but when she couldn't find the right fit, he agreed to do it.



Tia Barbero hopes her new book can help children learn to cope with the loss of a loved one.

"I hadn't faced (his father's death) head-on yet, and the book forced me to do that," Paul said. "It was hard at times because it stirred up emotions I needed to get through, but couldn't yet. (The book) forced me to do that."

As Chris' health worsened, the family drew on his own strength to help deal with everything. At one point, Tia asked him if he was afraid of dying.

His response: "I'm not afraid of dying, I'm afraid of leaving you." And then he worked until his death to help his family deal with it.

It's that spirit Tia tried to

explain to readers in a letter she included in the back of the book.

"I really felt like Chris was with me through this whole thing," Tia said. "His courage had to be conveyed to the readers."

While the book turned out to be a cathartic experience for Paul Barbero, he said he thought it provided the same benefit to his mother.

"It gave her an outlet, kept her mind occupied," her son said. "It made her feel good to help other people in the same situation."

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## MUNFAKH

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thing that's been missing for years."

### OUT OF RETIREMENT

Munfakh is retired, but still consults on engineering issues. His business, Munfakh & Associates, provides engineering management and consulting services to various villages, townships and cities.

While it's basically just Munfakh in a consulting role now, the business, he said, grew from some 30 employees at its inception to 150 before he retired.

"And those aren't minimum-wage jobs; those are engineering and technical jobs which pay well," Munfakh said. "I know how to manage companies to provide for more jobs."

His frustration with the lack of jobs in Michigan — with the highest unemployment rate in the country — and his decision to run for the Senate were born out of a personal situation.

Munfakh's son-in-law, a well-educated man who has bachelor's and master's degrees, as well as a Ph.D. in chemistry, searched for nine months before he found a job. And when he did, it was in New Jersey.

"He's a highly educated man, and he couldn't find a job in Michigan," Munfakh said. "That's a shame."

### LASER FOCUS

Munfakh said the problem is fixable, and job creation will be his "laser focus" if elected. He said the state needs to create a better business environment, easing up in areas such as permits and regulation and lowering the tax burden.

While Munfakh agrees the Single Business Tax the state dumped a couple of years ago was burdensome, he said the law with which it was replaced is equally cumbersome and more difficult to understand.

"It's so complicated, and rather than reduce taxes, they increased them," Munfakh said. "Small business is the engine that drives the state, and these are the ones paying the most taxes. How can they expand and stay in the state with that burden?"

Even in retirement,



Munfakh

Munfakh is staying busy. He's president of the Schoolcraft Foundation board, which he's served for more than five years. He's also

on the board of the Plymouth Community Foundation, chairs the hospitality ministry at Our Lady of Good Counsel and serves on the church's worship council.

A Plymouth Rotarian, Munfakh also chairs the American Council of Engineering Companies transportation committee, and sits on the transportation and business practices committee on the ACEC's national level.

"I found out when people retire, they usually work harder," Munfakh said, with a smile. "When I retired, I was planning on not doing much anymore. I wanted to go where it's warm in the winter."

### INTRODUCING HIMSELF

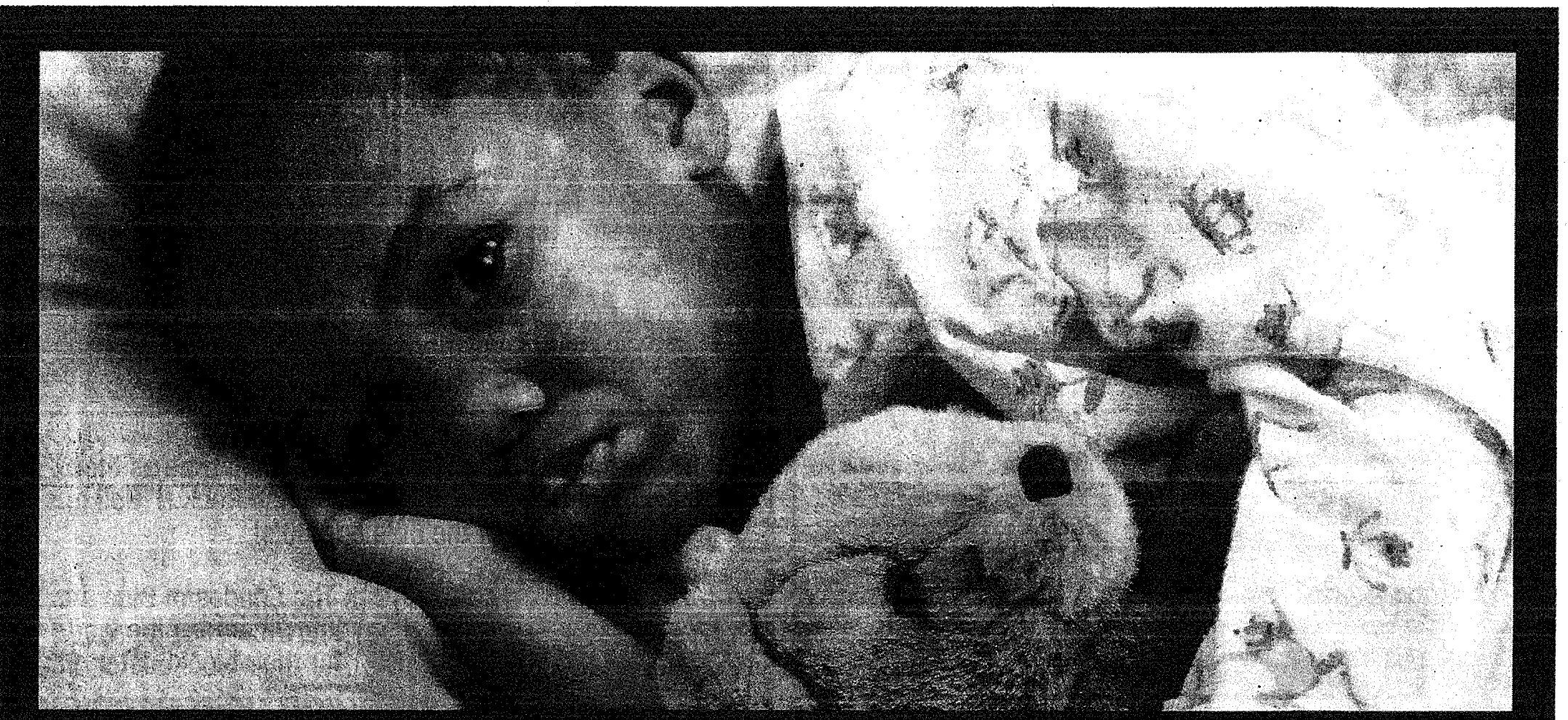
But seeing the continuing economic distress in Michigan convinced him otherwise.

Now, to get elected, Munfakh will have to build a campaign that plays to his strength — name recognition at the Plymouth-Canton end of the 7th District — while introducing himself to the southern end (in addition to Plymouth, Canton and Northville, the 7th District includes the cities of Flat Rock, Belleville, Rockwood, Trenton and Woodhaven, plus Brownstown, Gibraltar, Grosse Ile, Huron and Van Buren townships).

He may have his work cut out for him. Political analysts say the district is becoming more Democratic, despite the fact it's been ruled the last eight years by state Patterson (R-Canton).

"It's a district that has been a Republican district, but if you look at what's happened, it's filled up with Democrats," said political analyst Bill Ballenger, editor of *Inside Michigan Politics*. "The Republicans have kind of been purged from everything. Of all the districts in the state that are likely to flip, that one is A-number-one on the list."

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# EDUCATION

## Tonda walkers make effort to get healthy

BY BRAD KADRICH  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

When Kurt Tyszkiewicz was the principal at Field Elementary School, parents started a popular walking club that helped Field youngsters get a little more exercise and emphasize their health a little more.

So when the Wellness Committee at Tonda Elementary, where Tyszkiewicz is now the principal, approached him with a similar idea, he knew it was a good one.

And the Tonda Trekkers were born.

The Trekkers are mostly Tonda students, first- through fifth-graders, alternating every other Thursday between first- and second-grade walkers and those in third- through-fifth. They walk around the building in an effort to get healthier. The first week the group had some 220 upper-elementary kids, 120 of the lower-elementary.

"We were shocked at the number of kids who took part," said Tyszkiewicz. "That's their recess time and they're giving up playing. Seeing their friends do it probably got some of them to join."

The students have gotten into the spirit, promoting the club during morning announcements and passing the idea through word-of-mouth like wildfire.

"I do it because its good for me to get more exercise at recess," said 10-year-old Hunter Tashman, a fifth-grader who actually runs the course. "I feel like when I run it makes me go faster, and I can get more laps in."

Each walker gets a tally mark for every lap (five times around the Tonda building is a mile), then a stamp for every mile. At the first mile, walkers get a safety pin for their shoe-



More than 300 students at Tonda Elementary are taking place in the Tonda Trekkers program as a way to pay more attention to their health.



Groups made up of first- and second-graders and third- through fifth-graders alternate Thursdays in the Tonda Trekkers walking program.

laces, and a bead for succeeding mileage at various points. Even at 10 years old, the stu-

dents seem to know this kind of exercise is helpful. "I eat a lot of junk food, so

I do it to be healthier," said Rebecca Barrie, a 10-year-old fifth-grader. "We're not as healthy as we could be. When you run, you feel good."

The walking actually helps Tonda in its unofficial "competition" with nearby Gallimore Elementary. The two schools do "battle" over blood drives and walking to raise money to fight diabetes.

It's not just the kids; teachers and staffers take part, as well. Cory Chambless, Tonda's secretary, said he walks as part of his own effort to get healthy.

"I've been working on my health, and it's a nice bonus," Chambless said. "Instead of taking a break, I go out and get some exercise."

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## Volunteer honored as 'Central' figure

BY BRAD KADRICH  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Angie Nikolits' youngest child is now a sophomore, so it's been a couple of years since she had a student at Central Middle School.

But that doesn't stop Nikolits from volunteering at the downtown Plymouth school, where officials know they can count on her for just about anything ranging from running the school's magazine fund-raiser to supervising recess.

That's why she was nominated, and earned, a Volunteer in Public Schools award from the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education. The award was presented at Tuesday's board meeting.

"Angie was one of the first people I met as a new administrator to the district," said Tony Ruela, Central's principal. "The joke around the school was that Angie spent more time around the school than anyone, and it might be true. Angie does so much around the school."

Administrators praised

Nikolits for her tireless efforts. Social studies teacher Cathy Gibson said Nikolits' presence at Central Middle School is "profound."

"It was over three years before I realized she wasn't a paid staff member," Gibson said. "She helps us in so many small ways and in so many big ways. I can't think of anyone more deserving."

Board secretary Nancy Eggenberger, who made the presentation, pointed out the value of volunteers like Nikolits to the district.

"Beyond the work our teachers do, our volunteers really make a difference," Eggenberger said. "(Nikolits) has been a tremendous volunteer."

While appreciative of the award, Nikolits basically shrugged off the attention for her work at Central.

"I've had such a wonderful time there," Nikolits said. "It works for me more than it works for me."

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# Locals fete skaters at Summit send-off

American ice dancers Meryl Davis and Charlie White and Canadians Tessa Virtue and Scott Moir have spent months at Canton's Arctic Edge Ice Arena getting ready for next month's Winter Olympics in Vancouver, British Columbia.

On Tuesday, the local community gets a chance to wish them well.

The Summit on the Park in Canton is the site of a pep rally to honor the skaters before their departure for Canada and the start of their quest for Olympic honors.

The public is invited to the rally, which runs 5:30-7 p.m. at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton. The event will celebrate the achievements of the two ice-dancing teams, who recently won the U.S. and Canadian Figure Skating Championships, respectively (Maia and Alex Shibutani, U.S. Junior Gold Medalists who train as well at Arctic Edge Arena will also be in attendance).

Davis and White, who've skated together since 1998, are the 2009 and 2010 U.S. champions, the 2009 Four Continents champions and the 2009 Grand Prix Final champions.

Virtue, 20, and Moir, 22, have skated together more than 13 years. The two-time Canadian Champions finished with silver and bronze medals at the last two World Championships and have won both the World Junior and Four Continents Figure Skating Championships.

"Our goal is to bring everybody in the community together to celebrate Canton's Olympic heritage, as well as send these local athletes off in style," said Canton Supervisor Phil LaJoy. "These dedicated individuals have worked so hard to make their dreams come true and the entire Canton community is rooting for them."

With the success they have already achieved, each of these world-class duos will compete in the XXI Olympic Winter Games ice dancing competition which will commence on Feb. 19 and will finish on Feb. 22 with the Ice-Dancing Finals.

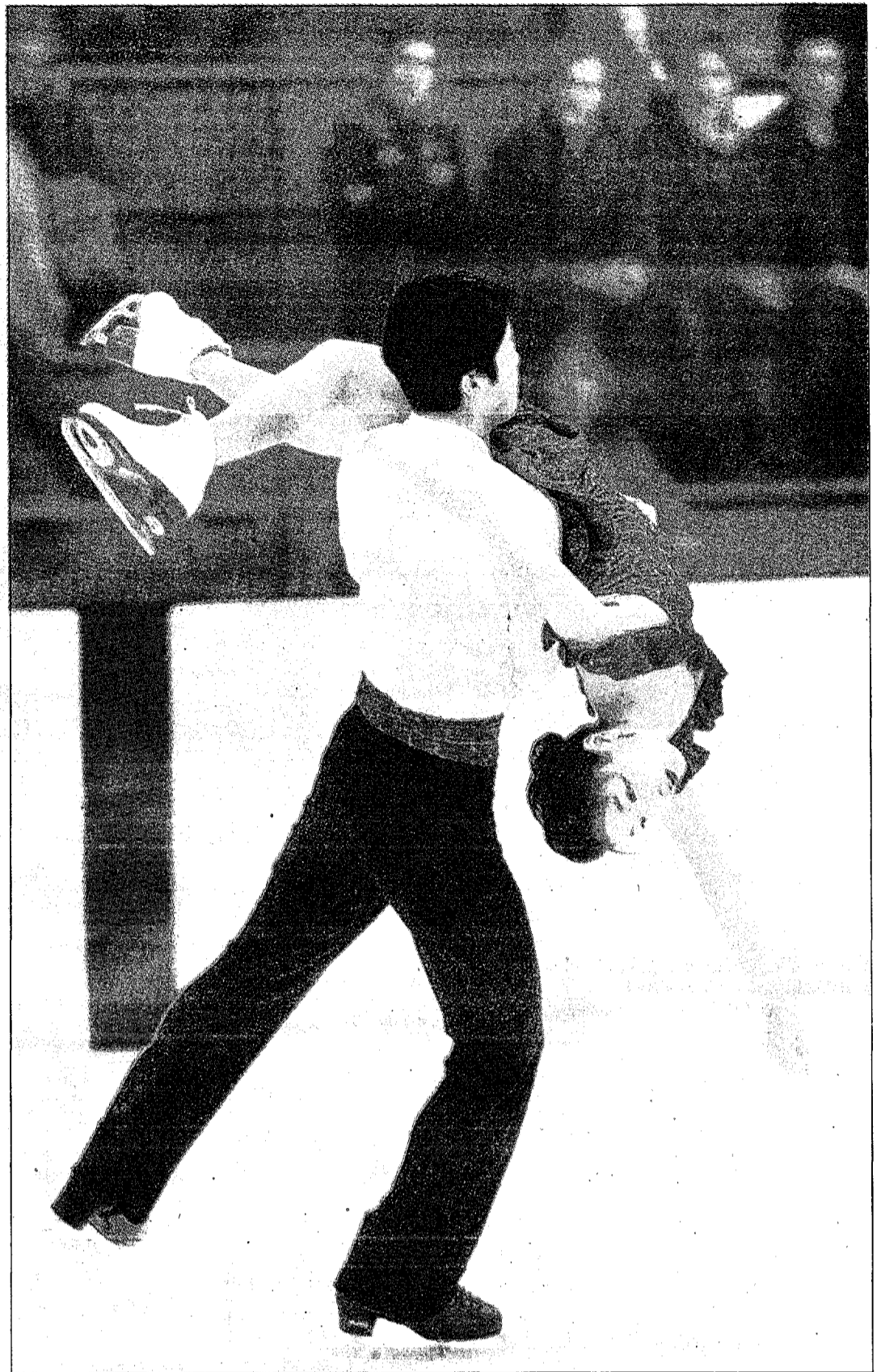
For more information, call (734) 394-5460 or visit [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org).



In a prelude to the 2010 Winter Olympics in Vancouver, Canton's Arctic Edge hosted a recent dress rehearsal for its ice dancers. United States Junior Champions Madison Chock and Greg Zuerlein perform.



Canton resident Nancy Ludlow and her 6-year-old daughter, Elizabeth, watched a recent 'dress rehearsal' at Canton's Arctic Edge Ice Arena for skaters training for the Winter Olympics.



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Siblings Maia and Alex Shibutani train at Arctic Edge Ice Arena, and will be on hand at Tuesday's send-off for Olympic skaters at the Summit in Canton.

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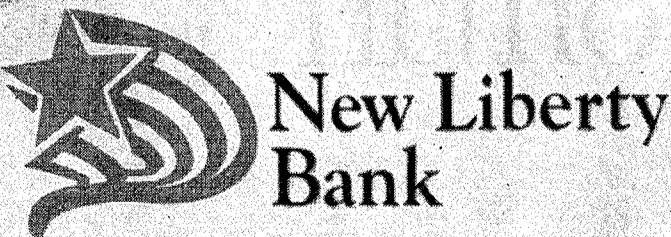
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## Woman arraigned in Penney heist

BY DARRELL CLEM  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A 29-year-old woman was arraigned Friday on charges stemming from a Dec. 26 incident involving the theft of one-carat diamond earrings from the J.C. Penney store in Canton.

Jennifer Christy Clemente of Farmington Hills was arraigned in 35th District Court on one count of larceny by conversion involving merchandise worth between \$1,000 and \$20,000, Canton police said.

A second, male suspect still could be facing charges, police Sgt. Mark Gajeski has



Clemente

Clemente could face penalties ranging up to five years in prison if she is convicted of the larceny by conversion charge out of Canton.

She was given a \$10,000/10 percent bond Friday, according to Canton police, and she was ordered back in court for a Feb. 12 preliminary hear-

said. Clemente was arraigned on the Canton charge after she was earlier arrested by Taylor police.

ing that will determine whether she should stand trial in Wayne County Circuit Court.

Clemente was arrested at a Taylor department store after employees there recognized her from a surveillance photo that had been circulated by the Canton Police Department, said Canton Detective Sgt. Dave Schreiner.

The defendant is expected to face similar charges in other area communities, according to a statement released Friday by Canton police.

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## Food warehouse closing means job loss in township

BY MATT JACHMAN  
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A food distributor's drive for greater efficiency will mean an erosion of Plymouth Township's employment base. Spartan Stores Inc. of Grand Rapids is planning to close its 415,000-square-foot warehouse on Haggerty by the end of March, keeping open only its Grand Rapids warehouse, which has enough extra capacity, according to a company spokeswoman.

The move will mean the loss of nearly 170 jobs in the township; employees are being offered jobs in Grand Rapids and have until sometime next month to decide.

Pat Dougherty, the business agent for Teamsters Union Local 337, which represents 148 Spartan drivers and warehouse workers, blamed the

closing on the economy. "I hate to see the good jobs move," Dougherty said. "Just because you understand doesn't make it any easier."

Dougherty helped negotiate severance packages for Teamsters who turn down a Grand Rapids job. Jeanne Norcross, Spartan's vice president for corporate affairs, said the roughly 20 non-union workers in the warehouse are also being offered severance packages.

Dougherty said he began working at the warehouse in 1977 and was the union steward there for 20 years. He said he knows many of the affected employees. "It was a good place to work," he said.

More than 100 area grocery stores are supplied by the warehouse, Dougherty said. He said warehouse customers shouldn't notice any differ-

ence when the transition to the Grand Rapids facility is made.

Spartan president and chief executive officer Dennis Eidson said the company should save \$2 million to \$3 million a year with the closing of the warehouse, not including costs related to the shutdown.

"We are constantly striving to bolster our leading position as a low-cost, highly efficient and effective grocery distributor. When complete, this network optimization plan will further strengthen our position as the leading grocery distributor in Michigan," Eidson said in a press release.

Spartan owns 97 grocery stores and pharmacies in Michigan and Ohio and supplies about 350 independent grocers.

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### INVITATION TO BID

<b>PROJECT:</b>	Plymouth Housing Commission(PHC), Stimulus Project Tonquish Creek Manor Seniors' Complex (TCM)
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<b>ARCHITECT/ENGINEERS:</b>	Sauriol Bohde Wagner, Architects and Associates Inc. 46869 Garfield Road, Macomb, MI 48044 Telephone: (586) 532-9388; Fax: (586) 532-9377
<b>DESCRIPTION OF WORK:</b>	This project shall include miscellaneous interior and exterior modifications including but not limited to parking lot repairs, seal coating and striping, exterior sidewalk repairs, interior apartment rehabilitation, kitchen cabinet replacement (13 units), flooring replacements (9 units), and associated modifications required to execute these work items. All work shall be performed at TCM located at 1160 Sheridan, Plymouth, Michigan 48170.
<b>BID DUE DATE:</b>	February 18, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. local time
<b>INVITATION</b>	Sealed bids will be received by the PHC, and will be publicly opened and read immediately after due date time. Bid Proposals will be received at: PHC Offices, 1160 Sheridan, Plymouth, Michigan 48170
<b>BIDDING:</b>	In order to receive consideration, make bids in strict accordance with the Project Manual and the following: a. Representations, Certifications, and Other Statements of Bidders HUD Form 5369A. b. Non-Collusive Affidavit c. Bid Bond d. Section 3 Implementation Plan e. ARRA 2009 - Contract Requirements
<b>BIDDING DOCUMENTS</b>	Proposals shall be made according to the contract documents as prepared by Sauriol Bohde Wagner Architects and Associates Inc.  Documents will be available for pick-up at the office of: Sauriol Bohde Wagner Architects and Associates Inc. 46869 Garfield Road, Macomb, Michigan 48044  A deposit of \$100.00 is required to obtain each complete set (three set maximum) of bidding documents.
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<b>BID BOND REQUIREMENTS</b>	All bids shall be accompanied by a "Treasury Listed" bid bond or a certified check in the amount of 5% of the aggregate total bid, made payable to the PHC and enclosed in the same envelope with the bid. The successful bidder's security will be retained until he/she has signed the Contract and has furnished the required Certificates of Insurance and Bonds.
<b>LABOR REQUIREMENTS</b>	Contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex or national origin.  Contractor must comply with the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970
<b>SECTION 3</b>	Contractors shall comply with HUD Section 3 requirements as specified in Article 40 of the General Conditions, Section 00700, and shall make every effort to hire area residents. Contractor shall also provide with the bid the Section 3 Implementation Plan as required and further described in Section 00120, Supplementary Instructions to Bidders.
<b>ARRA 2009</b>	Contractors shall comply with the "American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009" and agree to include contract language consistent with HUD Section 1605, as included herein, and as further defined under Section 00120, Supplementary Instructions to Bidders, Article 24.
<b>GUARANTEE BONDS</b>	All accepted bidders shall be required to furnish at their expense prior to the execution of the contract, "Treasury Listed" bonds in the amount of 100% of the Total Contract Price for the faithful performance of the Labor and material obligations arising.
<b>WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS</b>	A bidder may withdraw its bid, either personally or by written request, at any time prior to the scheduled time for opening bids.  No bidder may withdraw its bid for period of 60 calendar days after the date set for opening thereof or until the successful bidder enters into the contract. Bids shall be subject to acceptance by the PHC during this period.  Bid security may be forfeited by any bidder who withdraws his/her bid prior to the execution of a contract with the successful bidder of the expiration of the 60 day period.
<b>REJECTION OF BIDS</b>	The PHC reserves the right to reject any or all bids. The rejection may include but not be limited to any bid which is incomplete, obscure, or irregular. One or more items in the price schedule may be rejected. Any proposal in which unit prices are omitted, or in which prices are obviously unbalanced, may be rejected. Conditional bids, or those which take exception to the specifications, may be considered nonresponsive and may be rejected.
<b>SALES TAX</b>	The Contractor shall pay all sales, consumers, use and other similar taxes required by law.
<b>EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT</b>	The form of Agreement which the successful bidder will be required to execute is referenced in the Contract Documents.  Following the authorization by the PHC and responsible bidder, the Architect will issue a Notice of Award to that bidder. The bidder to whom the Contract is awarded shall within 14 calendar days after the Notice of Award and receipt of Agreement forms from the Architect sign and deliver required copies to the Architect.
<b>PROJECT MANUAL</b>	Bidders shall be required to obtain and refer to the Project Drawings and the Project Manual for additional Project requirements and bidding instructions.

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### ON CAMPUS

#### Albion College

Several local students have been named to the Albion College dean's list for the fall 2009 semester.

Students named to the Dean's List must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or above at the completion of the semester. This GPA must be based on at least three units in graded courses and a minimum of four units completed.

• Laura Burton is a senior majoring in economics and management and minoring in English, with a concentration in the Gerstacker Liberal Arts Program in Professional Management. She is the daughter of Lewis and Karen Burton of Plymouth and a graduate of Salem High School.

• Charlotte Daly is a senior majoring in art. She is the daughter of David Daly of Plymouth and Annemarie Linares of Plymouth and

a graduate of Plymouth Christian Academy.

• Jessica Eimers is a senior majoring in English education, and completing the elementary education program. She is the daughter of Michael and Mary Beth Eimers of Allegan and a graduate of Canton High School.

• Sara Fifield is a senior majoring in history and minoring in management. She is the daughter of Debra Fifield of Plymouth and a graduate of Salem High School.

• Sandra Nahra is a junior. She is the daughter of John and Judy Nahra of Plymouth and a graduate of Salem High School.

• Emily Nemeth is a sophomore. She is the daughter of Christopher and Terrie Nemeth of Plymouth and a graduate of Ladywood High School.

• Nicole Rotondo was named a new Albion College fellow. To attain the honor of Albion

College Fellow, students must maintain a 3.7 GPA for three consecutive semesters. Rotondo is a senior majoring in Spanish education and minoring in political science, and is completing the secondary education program. She is the daughter of Michael and Karen Rotondo of Plymouth and a graduate of Mercy High School.

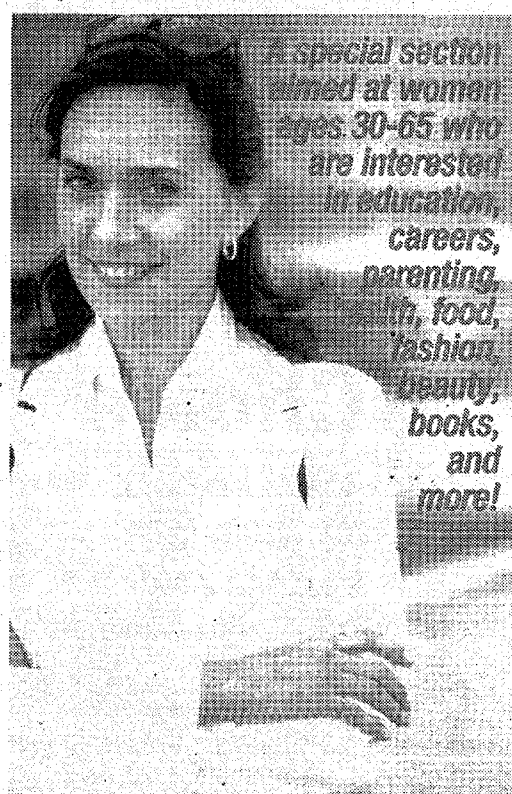
#### Harding University

Emily Stone of Canton is among the Harding University students included on the dean's list for grades achieved during the fall semester.

The dean's list is published each semester, honoring those who have achieved high scholarship. To be eligible, a student must be carrying 12 or more hours with a 3.65 or higher grade point average and no incompletes.

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Beth Stewart (right) of the Plymouth Symphony Society and Tamara Trudelle of the Plymouth Community Arts Council agree sharing space has added to the artistic environment in the Plymouth community.

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# Sharing space

## Arrangement gives Plymouth arts groups a boost

BY MATT JACHMAN  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A space-sharing arrangement by the Plymouth area's two biggest cultural institutions is doing more than saving them money.

Officials from the Plymouth Community Arts Council and the Plymouth Canton Symphony Society say the society's move to the PCAC headquarters on Sheldon Road last May has sparked a greater exchange — of ideas, support and even patrons — that has helped both organizations thrive in a recessionary economy.

"It just is a natural," said Deb Madonna, president of the PCAC's board of directors.

Members of the women's study group who head to the PCAC once a month for a lecture, for example, are buying Plymouth Symphony Orchestra tickets, said Beth Stewart, executive director of the symphony society.

Likewise, symphony fans are exploring the PCAC's visual arts offerings. "We have a lot more people coming in to view the exhibits that we have here every month," said Tamara Trudelle, the PCAC program director.

"Showing a very strong cultural life here in a small town is pretty important," Madonna said.

The symphony society, which sponsors the PSO, Orchestra Canton and the Celebration Youth Orchestra, had been located in downtown Plymouth for a number of years, Stewart said. But the organization has greater visibility, and a break on rent, at its PCAC offices, she said. Both organizations save money by sharing phone, fax and Internet service.

The collaboration was nothing new. Both the symphony and Celebration Youth Orchestra had rehearsed at the PCAC building, and the two arts organizations had planned the Saturdays @ The Penn shows for children, which are in their second season, before the symphony society and the PCAC actually shared space.

The society's move-in last year required some interior remodeling; grants from the Rotary Club of Plymouth and the Plymouth Community Foundation covered much of the cost, and matching furniture, all donated, gave the place a more polished, professional look, Madonna said.

In addition to having its own exhibits, art classes and community outreach, the PCAC hosts a number of other community organizations, including the women's study group, the Plymouth AM Rotary, an American Association of University Women chapter and the BaseLine Folk Society.

Madonna said the space-sharing improves the public image of the arts council and the symphony society, which could help with fund-raising. In a tough economic time, she said, "they want to see that you have become frugal in your own house."

The PCAC also owns a house next door to its main building, where a guitarist regularly gives lessons and space is also available to symphony members who want to give lessons. The house is available for rent for meetings and small gatherings.

To mark its partnership, the PCAC is planning a music-themed art exhibition that will open in late April. Stewart said an evening of musical accompaniment by symphony members is planned during the exhibition.

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### PLYMOUTH HOUSING COMMISSION INVITATION TO BID

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<b>BID BOND REQUIREMENTS</b>	All bids shall be accompanied by a "Treasury Listed" bid bond or a certified check in the amount of 5% of the aggregate total bid, made payable to the PHC and enclosed in the same envelope with the bid. The successful bidder's security will be retained until he/she has signed the Contract and has furnished the required Certificates of Insurance & Bonds.
<b>LABOR REQUIREMENTS</b>	Contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex or national origin.  Contractor must comply with the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970.
<b>SECTION 3</b>	Contractors shall comply with HUD Section 3 requirements as specified in Article 40 of the General Conditions, Section 00700, and shall make every effort to hire area residents. Contractor shall also provide with the bid the Section 3 Implementation Plan as required and further described in Section 00120, Supplementary Instructions to Bidders.
<b>GUARANTEE BONDS</b>	All accepted bidders shall be required to furnish at their expense prior to the execution of the contract, "Treasury Listed" bonds in the amount of 100% of the Total Contract Price for the faithful performance of the Labor and material obligations arising.
<b>WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS</b>	A bidder may withdraw its bid, either personally or by written request, at any time prior to the scheduled time for opening bids.  No bidder may withdraw its bid for period of 60 calendar days after the date set for opening thereof or until the successful bidder enters into the contract. Bids shall be subject to acceptance by the PHC during this period.  Bid security may be forfeited by any bidder who withdraws, his/her bid prior to the execution of a contract with the successful bidder of the expiration of the 60 day period.
<b>REJECTION OF BIDS</b>	The PHC reserves the right to reject any or all bids. The rejection may include but not be limited to any bid which is incomplete, obscure, or irregular. One or more items in the price schedule may be rejected. Any proposal in which unit prices are omitted, or in which prices are obviously unbalanced, may be rejected. Conditional bids, or those which take exception to the specifications, may be considered non responsive and may be rejected.
<b>SALES TAX</b>	The Contractor shall pay all sales, consumers, use and other similar taxes required by law.
<b>EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT</b>	The form of Agreement which the successful bidder will be required to execute is referenced in the Contract Documents.  Following the authorization by the PHC and responsible bidder, the Architect will issue a Notice of Award to that bidder. The bidder to whom the Contract is awarded shall within 14 calendar days after the Notice of Award and receipt of Agreement forms from the Architect sign and deliver required copies to the Architect.
<b>PROJECT MANUAL</b>	Bidders shall be required to obtain and refer to the Project Drawings and the Project Manual for additional Project requirements and bidding instructions.

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### NEWS BRIEFS

#### Prisoner family support

Do you have a family member currently in prison? Do you feel alone? Do you wish you had a support group that you could turn to?

If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, then this support group is for you. Contact Bonnie at (734) 646-2237 or e-mail bonnie@hope4healing.com for more information. This support group is to provide adult family members with support and a place to talk with others that have experienced similar pain.

Meetings are free and run 6:30-8:30 p.m.,

the second Monday of every month at Kirk of Our Savior, 36660 Cherry Hill, Westland.

#### PLAV members

PLAV Post #166, located at 39375 Amrhein in Livonia (at the southeastern corner of Amrhein and Eckles) is seeking new veteran members (the first year is offered free).

The Post meeting is the second Monday of every month (except July and August) and begins at 7:30 p.m. with a light lunch that follows the meeting. Those interested are welcome; contact Sr Vice Cmdr/Adj Roger L. Kehrier, (734) 453-2031.

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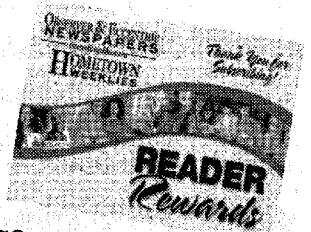


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Sleek, sporty and stylish, the Ford Focus was named the "Most Significant" vehicle of the 2010 North American International Auto Show by AutoWeek Magazine.

## AutoWeek names Focus 'most significant'

Ford's next-generation Focus was named the "Most Significant" vehicle of the 2010 North American International Auto Show by the editorial staff of *AutoWeek Magazine*.

"This was a unanimous vote, one of the few in the history of the *AutoWeek* award," said Wes Raynal, editor of *AutoWeek* and autoweek.com.

"This car gives Ford and Focus fans their car back. By that we mean enthusiasts have been crying for the European Focus for years and we're finally getting our wish. We also think it's a perfect platform for an SVT version. The car goes on sale in 2011 powered by a sporty four-cylinder engine mated to a DSG transmission, and we can't wait to drive it."

The next-generation Ford Focus is scheduled to go on sale in both North America and Europe early in 2011. The new Focus will offer customers more affordable technologies, increased fuel economy and a new standard for driving quality.

The *AutoWeek* award was presented just three days after Ford received both the North American Car and Truck of the Year



The 2010 Ford Fusion Hybrid was named 2010 North American Car of the Year. The award was judged by 49 veteran automotive journalists from the United States and Canada who represent magazines, television, radio, newspapers and Web sites.

awards for the 2010 Ford Fusion Hybrid and 2010 Ford Transit Connect, respectively.

"We are delighted and humbled with the initial response to the next-generation Ford Focus," said Derrick Kuzak, Ford's group vice president for Global Product

Development. "The new Focus is a direct result of our new global product development system and perhaps the best example yet of what we believe a global Ford product should be — great to look at, great to sit in and great to drive."

-PRNewswire

### Muscle cars, luxury sedans grab consumer interest

PRNewswire — The Chevy Camaro, a Motown muscle favorite, led the way in most of 2009 and into the first weeks of 2010 as being the most researched vehicle on NADAguides.com. NADAguides.com is the leading provider of pricing information and market research for new and used cars, classics, RVs, motorcycles and boats.

Although many automakers used the North American International Auto Show as their platform to debut small and more fuel-efficient vehicles, consumer data, based on model research volume within each brand, shows the highest consumer interest is in vehicles from Chevrolet, Lexus, Nissan and Honda.

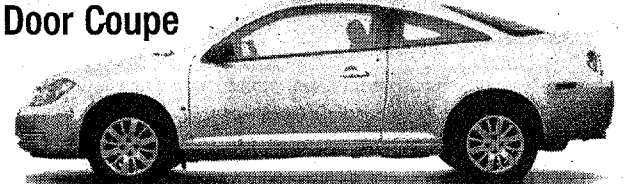
"Although electric, hybrid and small cars are being showcased, the patterns we are seeing from consumers show a desire for affordable and efficient vehicles that offer substantial performance, upscale amenities and impressive technology," said Mike Caudill, spokesperson for NADAguides.com.

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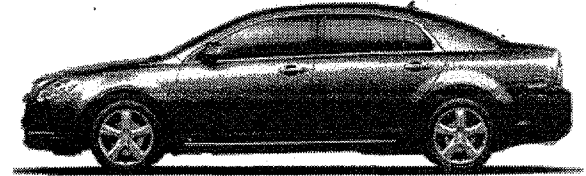
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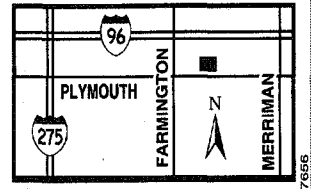
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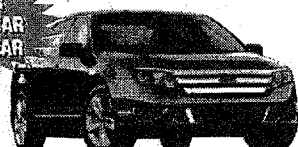


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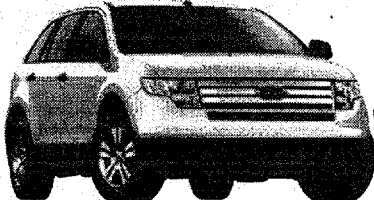
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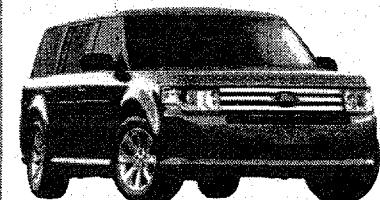
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\$2,123 due @ signing  
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\$2,175 down payment

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A/Z PLAN 24 Mo. LEASE  
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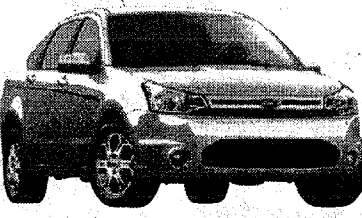
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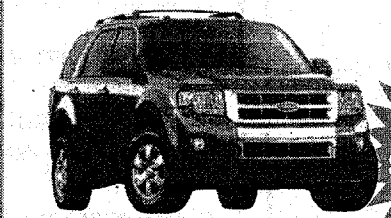
Stk #1177 • WAS \$40,290  
A/Z PLAN  
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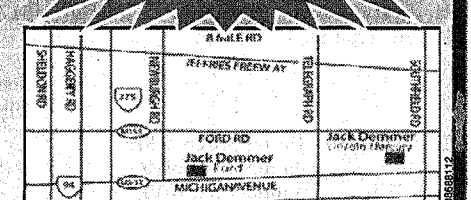
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# Plymouth class takes different look at art of well-being



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Annette Mullett, M.D., demonstrates some Qigong exercises in her Northville Township home - movements that she employs in her teachings of Eastern healing methods at the Center for Integrative Well-Being in Plymouth.

BY PAM FLEMING  
STAFF WRITER

One could say that Annette Mullett, M.D., has come full circle.

A medical doctor who graduated from medical school at Ohio State University, the Northville Township resident was a practicing emergency room physician for about six years and then worked in emergency room quality assurance.

After having a third child, she decided to take a break from traditional medicine.

"I was frustrated that we couldn't cure a lot of things, so I started going to conferences," Mullett said. "I started learning what I call worldwide medicine. It's from China, India, Germany. Once you know more information, and I don't mean this offensively at all, but we (in the U.S.) seem so primitive. All we do is cut and give drugs, and we never look at the source (of one's illness)."

Today, she has moved her focus to Eastern medicine and recently started teaching classes at the Center for Integrative Well-Being, A Continuing Education Center for Mind, Body & Spirit, at

## HOW TO ATTEND A CLASS

For more information about Annette Mullett's classes, call the Center for Integrative Well-Being at (248) 702-7064 or go to [www.integrativewellbeing.com](http://www.integrativewellbeing.com). The center is located at 42839 Five Mile Road. She is also willing to teach classes during the day at her Northville Township home for those who have a conflict with the center's class times.

42839 Five Mile Road in Plymouth.

She even believes that it's even hard to integrate Western and Eastern medicine because the models are different.

"The idea is to get realigned on multiple levels," Mullett said. "I'm not an expert in everything, but I know so many other ways that healing can take place other than surgery and drugs. You and your body need to form an alliance. We're trying to tap into something greater."

## WINTER SCHEDULE 2010

This winter, she is teaching the following classes: East vs. West Healing: Can Illness Be a Message to Us?, a three-week series offered

from noon to 2 p.m. Feb. 2, 9 and 16; Introduction to Feng Shui, offered from noon to 2 p.m. April 13 and 20; a What If? Series offered from noon to 2 p.m. March 4, 11, 18 and 25; and Qigong (pronounced chee gong), an ongoing class that meets from 10-11 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The first three classes cost \$30-\$40 per person, depending on when one registers for the class, and the Qigong classes are \$10 per class, with a four-class preregistration or \$15 per class for drop-ins.

In the first class, the three-part series will discuss the different philosophy as well as a completely different model of health and wellness.

## EAST VS. WEST HEALING

"In the Western world, many of us believe that we get sick because germs just get us or we have been unlucky," Mullett said. "But, there are other parts of the world where the body is the reflector of the soul, and when the body is not functioning properly for us there is a greater reason. Once we are able to receive this message and understand how to make the necessary changes, our bodies seem to improve."

In this series, "This will be taught with case histories and will be open to discussion and illustration with class participants. Some of the class will be experiential, and tools will be given as to how we can receive this message." It is rec-

ommended to attend all three classes in the series.

## FENG SHUI CLASS

Feng Shui is the ancient art of placement. In this class, students will learn how to set up their house. "Where you place things actually reflects what is happening in your life," Mullett said. "They are in balance with one another as the 'outer' reflects the 'inner.' As one changes, the other one will change as well in that one has concretely changed the intention."

Mullett will discuss the "bagua" and how people can go home with instant changes they can make to their home in the areas they wish to improve. Areas to be discussed are career, health, wealth, relationships, love and marriage.

## QIGONG CLASS

Qigong, which originated in China 3,000 years ago, is one of the oldest forms of movement. "It is very powerful to health and well-being in that it helps you to direct your 'qi,' also known as chi or life force and can be life-changing if practiced regularly," Mullett said. "It helps the body to align and return to its natural balance."

Some people have experienced weight loss effortlessly, improved sleeping, decreased pain and even shed their oxygen tanks, according to Mullett. All levels of fitness can practice qigong. "Come and give it a try," Mullett said.

## STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

### CRIMINAL CODE ORDINANCE SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. C-2009-26

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ADOPTING A CRIMINAL CODE FOR THE TOWNSHIP, ADOPTING BY REFERENCE CERTAIN 90 DAY AND 93 DAY MISDEMEANOR SECTIONS OF THE PENAL CODE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, PUBLIC ACT 328 OF 1931; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION BY REFERENCE OF THE CURFEW FOR CHILDREN ACT, PUBLIC ACT 41, OF 1960; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES; PROVIDING FOR CITATION, LARCENY, UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF LAW, ATTEMPT AND ACCESSORIAL LIABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL AND SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

### THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

#### SECTION I. AMENDMENT OF ORDINANCE.

The Criminal Code of the Township is hereby adopted to read as follows:

**Section 1. Criminal Code, Adoption by Reference.** This section lists the 90 and 93 day misdemeanor sections of the State Penal Code that are being adopted by reference pursuant to and as allowed by Section 23 of Public Act 359 of 1947, MCL 42.23.

**Section 2. Curfew, Adoption by Reference.** This section provides that the Curfew for Children Act, Public Act 41 of 1960 is being adopted by reference.

**Section 3. Citations.** This section provides that the MCL section number shall be used as the section number for purposes of issuing a citation for violation of the State Penal Code section adopted hereby.

**Section 4. Larceny.** This section provides that it shall be unlawful for any person to commit the offense of larceny by stealing, converting or wrongfully withholding the property of another.

**Section 5. Unauthorized Practice of Law.** This section provides that it shall be unlawful for any person to practice law or to engage in the law business.

**Section 6. Attempts.** This section provides that any person who shall attempt to commit an offense prohibited by law and in such attempt shall do an act toward the commission of such offense but shall fail in the perpetration or shall be intercepted or prevented in the execution of the same shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by imprisonment for not more than 45 days or by a fine of not more than \$250.00 or by both.

**Section 7. Accessorial Liability.** This section provides that every person concerned in the commission of an offense may be prosecuted.

**Section 8. Violation and Penalty.** This section provides that the penalty for violation of the hereby adopted by reference State Penal Code sections shall be a maximum of 90 days in jail and/or a maximum fine of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or both, unless the penalty under state law for a violation of the pertinent section is a maximum of 93 days in jail, in which case the penalty for violation under this ordinance shall be a maximum of 93 days in jail and/or a maximum fine of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or both.

#### SECTION II. REPEAL.

This section provides that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

#### SECTION III. SEVERABILITY.

This section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance.

#### SECTION IV. SAVINGS CLAUSE.

This section provides that adoption of this Ordinance does not affect proceedings, prosecutions for violation of law, penalties and matured rights and duties in effect before the effective date of this Ordinance.

#### SECTION V. PUBLICATION.

This section provides that the Clerk for the Charter Township of Plymouth shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

#### SECTION VI. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This section provides that this Ordinance shall take full force and effect upon publication.

Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Plymouth, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, during regular business hours.

Joe Bridgman, CMC  
Clerk

Introduced: December 15, 2009  
Adopted: January 19, 2010  
Effective: January 31, 2010

Publish: January 31, 2010

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## STOW & GO SELF STORAGE AUCTION NOTICE

Pursuant to state law, Notice is hereby given that a public auction will be held at STOW & GO SELF STORAGE, 41999 ANN ARBOR ROAD, PLYMOUTH, MI on February 6, 2010 at 10:00 am, on past due tenants listed below. The entire contents of the following units will be auctioned and sold to the highest bidder on each individual unit. CASH ONLY! DESCRIPTION IS BRIEF SUMMARY OF ITEMS, MAY OR MAY NOT CONTAIN MORE OR LESS ITEMS.

**Unit #339 - JAMES ALTER, P.O. BOX 512, DEARBORN HTS., MI 48127**  
Lumber, tape player, alarm clock, fax machine, misc. boxes, and other misc. items.

**Unit #412 - ERIC HAARZ, 243 E. ANN ARBOR TRAIL, PLYMOUTH, MI 48170**  
Leather chair, (2) footlockers, foot stool, headboard and frame, framed paintings, suitcase, rocking chair, wood chair, metal shelving, miter saw, video camera, metal tripod, books, misc. plywood, 2-step ladders, misc. boxes, and other misc. items.

**Unit #557 - DAVID HICKLING, 9050 MARLOWE, PLYMOUTH, MI 48170**  
Coffee table, (2) end tables, golf club bag 2/irons only, xmas tree, misc. garden tools, mechanics tools, washer/dryer combo, microwave, gas oven, small step ladder, hand truck, misc. cds, (12) misc. boxes, and other misc. items.

**Unit #328 - VALERIE CLARK-BROWN, 41151 WINDCHASE, CANTON, MI 48188**  
1971 Plymouth Duster with rebuilt motor, not in car. Repair receipt included.

**Unit #237 - Miscellaneous Items.**  
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**SALE DATE IS February 6, 2010 AT 10:00 A.M.**

Publish: January 28 & 31, 2010

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## STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

### REPEAL OF FIRE HYDRANTS AND WATER VALVES ORDINANCE

#### SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. C-2009-18

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 100, CODIFIED AS CHAPTER 41, THE FIRE HYDRANTS AND WATER VALVES ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

### THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

#### SECTION I. REPEAL OF THE FIRE HYDRANTS AND WATER VALVES ORDINANCE.

This section provides that the Fire Hydrants and Water Valves Ordinance of the Charter Township of Plymouth is repealed.

#### SECTION II. SEVERABILITY.

This section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance.

#### SECTION III. REPEAL.

This section provides that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

#### SECTION IV. SAVINGS CLAUSE.

This section provides that adoption of this Ordinance does not affect proceedings, prosecutions for violation of law, penalties and matured rights and duties in effect before the effective date of this Ordinance.

#### SECTION V. PUBLICATION.

This section provides that the Clerk for the Charter Township of Plymouth shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

#### SECTION VI. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This section provides that this Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law.

Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Plymouth, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, during regular business hours.

Joe Bridgman, CMC  
Clerk

Introduced: December 15, 2009  
Adopted: January 19, 2010

Publish: January 31, 2010

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## PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPT. 734-354-3232 NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given that on 2/5/2010, at 10:00 a.m., Mayflower Auto Transport, 1179 Starkweather, Plymouth, MI 48170, a public auction of the following:

2001 Chevy	Monte Carlo	2G1WX15K019168081
1992 Ford	E150	1FDEE14NXNHA39945
2003 Chevy	Cavalier	1G1JC2FX37196682

Dated: January 27, 2010

Publish: January 31, 2010

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## STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

### YOUTH TOBACCO ACT ORDINANCE SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. C-2009-20

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE YOUTH TOBACCO ACT, PUBLIC ACT 31 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1915, AS AMENDED, AND OTHERWISE MODIFYING ORDINANCE NO. C-98-07, THE USE AND POSSESSION OF TOBACCO BY MINOR AND SALE OF TOBACCO TO MINOR ORDINANCE, PROVIDING FOR THE PROHIBITION OF SELLING, GIVING, OR FURNISHING OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS TO MINORS, TO PROHIBIT THE PURCHASE, POSSESSION, OR USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS BY MINORS, TO REGULATE THE RETAIL SALE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL AND SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

### THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

#### SECTION I. AMENDMENT OF ORDINANCE.

This section adopts by reference the Youth Tobacco Act; and otherwise amends Ordinance No. C-98-07, the Use and Possession of Tobacco by Minor and Sale of Tobacco to Minor Ordinance, to read as follows:

#### 59.5.100. Youth Tobacco Act, Adoption by Reference.

The Youth Tobacco Act, Public Act 31 of 1915 is hereby adopted by reference.

#### SECTION II. VIOLATION AND PENALTY.

This section provides that any person or entity that violates any provision of this Ordinance may, upon conviction, be fined not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or imprisoned not more than Ninety (90) days, or both, in the discretion of the court.

#### SECTION III. SEVERABILITY.

This section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance.

#### SECTION IV. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES.

This section provides that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

#### SECTION V. SAVINGS CLAUSE.

This section provides that adoption of this Ordinance does not affect proceedings, prosecutions for violation of law, penalties and matured rights and duties in effect before the effective date of this Ordinance.

#### SECTION VI. PUBLICATION.

This section provides that the Clerk for the Charter Township of Plymouth shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

#### SECTION VII. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This section provides that this Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law.

Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Plymouth, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, during regular business hours.

Joe Bridgman, CMC  
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# Madonna opens job search Web site, office

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Madonna University with the help of a grant from Ford Motor Co. has opened an office and launched a Web site to help the unemployed find jobs or training.

Representatives from Ford Motor Co. and Madonna University officially opened JobCHEER.org, an online and on-site job ClearingHouse for Education and Employment Resources, at a ribbon-cutting ceremony Tuesday at the new JobCHEER office at Madonna, 36300 Schoolcraft.

Madonna officials said the site and office can help everyone from a long-time unemployed person to a parent who has decided to return to the workforce.

Ernest Nolan, provost and vice president for academic affairs, said the office can also help someone who has just lost a job. "They can find out where the hot jobs are; they can find out where they need to focus," Nolan said. "They might need to complete an interest inventory, or a job survey. Secondly, they may not have put together a resume for 15 years. They may have never done an interview in their lives."

Workshops can help the unemployed with interviewing or resumes.

"They may also need certification in biomedical fields," Nolan said. "This center will give them the resources to help them get entry-level positions in a new area."

The program is designed to

get people back to work, said Joan Stephens, director of continuing education and professional studies.

JobCHEER was supported by the Ford Motor Co. Fund and created by Madonna University in December 2009 to provide educational training opportunities and job-search resources to those who are seeking employment, Stephens said.

"JobCHEER is both a Web site and resource center that focuses on providing new job opportunities to Michigan's unemployed workers or anyone wanting to re-enter the workforce," Stephens said. "Along with the Web site, printed materials, job boards, we also provide staff assistance in devising a plan for your job search. This includes resume writing and critiquing, job workshop strategies and job-search advising."

The most popular job-training programs offered through Madonna's continuing education program are pharmacy technician and medical billing and coding, Stephens said.

"Our short-term job training classes in pharmacy technician and medical billing and coding have been extremely popular over the last three years because our students do find jobs after completing the courses," Stephens said. "It's a group effort getting these students back into the workforce, which involves Continuing Education staff, the medical certificate instructors and our Career Services team."

Nolan suggests that people



JobCHEER assistant Kurt Wissman of Westland assists Colleen Rutenbar of Farmington Hills with navigating on the JobCHEER Web site. Rutenbar attended a job-search strategies workshop offered through JobCHEER, and she spoke with Wissman about available jobs in health care.

call and make an appointment to talk to a counselor.

"We have something to contribute to the well-being of the community," Nolan said. "We want to offer these services to Livonia and Michigan residents." "We really couldn't have done this without the grant as there's too many costs."

For more information, visit [www.jobcheer.org](http://www.jobcheer.org) or Madonna's continuing education Web site at <http://cms.madonna.edu/pages/academics/continuing-education/>

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# Moving retirement money into an IRA is usually good idea

**Q: Dear Rick: I work for a municipality that allows me to withdraw the bulk of my retirement money and transfer it into an IRA. Most of my friends at work who have this option have done it. Is this a good strategy? In my retirement account at work there are a number of options, but all are annuity companies. What do you think?**

**A: It's not unusual for employers to allow a transfer out of a retirement account into an IRA**

once an employee reaches a certain age. On the whole, I like the strategy of moving money into an IRA.

The first reason deals with control. As you mentioned in your letter, the only options that you have through work are annuity companies. By directly transferring the money into an IRA, you will have more investment options available. This allows you to build a portfolio

and coordinate it with other investments. From purely a control standpoint, it makes sense to transfer the money.

The second reason to transfer money into an IRA is cost. Annuity companies tend to have high fees. By transferring the money into an IRA, you can invest at a much lower cost. The cost savings, if you look over any one year, may not be that significant. However, when you talk

about a number of years, the savings can be substantial. I like the idea of transferring money out of your current retirement plan, but you don't want to turn around and invest that money in high-cost investments.

I cannot stress enough how important it is to pay attention to cost. In this economic environment, cost matters more than ever. As I have said many times, you should know

what it costs to buy, sell and hold every investment you have. Unfortunately, most investors never look at the cost of an investment and, thus, may get taken advantage of. It may not seem like a lot if an investment has a 1 percent greater fee than another investment. However, if for example you're in a bond fund and it's earning 4 percent, the additional 1 percent in fees can impact your return by 25

percent. Fees do matter. Remember, high fees equal low returns.

Another advantage of transferring retirement money into an IRA is the potential to convert to a Roth IRA. Money in a retirement plan through your employer is typically not eligible to be converted into a Roth IRA. On the other hand, money in an IRA is eligible for a Roth conversion. Roth IRAs have many advantages over traditional IRAs. The main benefits are that money in a Roth IRA grows tax-free vs. money in a traditional IRA that grows tax-deferred. And with a Roth IRA, when money is withdrawn there are no taxes due. When money is withdrawn from a traditional IRA, there is a tax liability. The Roth IRA gives you the advantage of allowing money to grow tax-free.

In addition, for this year and this year only, when you convert your traditional IRA into a Roth, you can pay your tax liability over two years. Starting this year anyone can convert a traditional IRA into a Roth no matter what their income. In past years, if you made more than \$100,000, whether you were single or married, you were not eligible for a Roth conversion. One last advantage of transferring money from a retirement account into an IRA is that you are not subject to future changes in your plan.

If your employer offers the option of transferring from a retirement account into an IRA, in the great majority of cases I recommend it. However, do your homework and make sure you move your money into productive low-cost investments.

Good luck!

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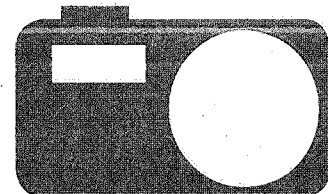
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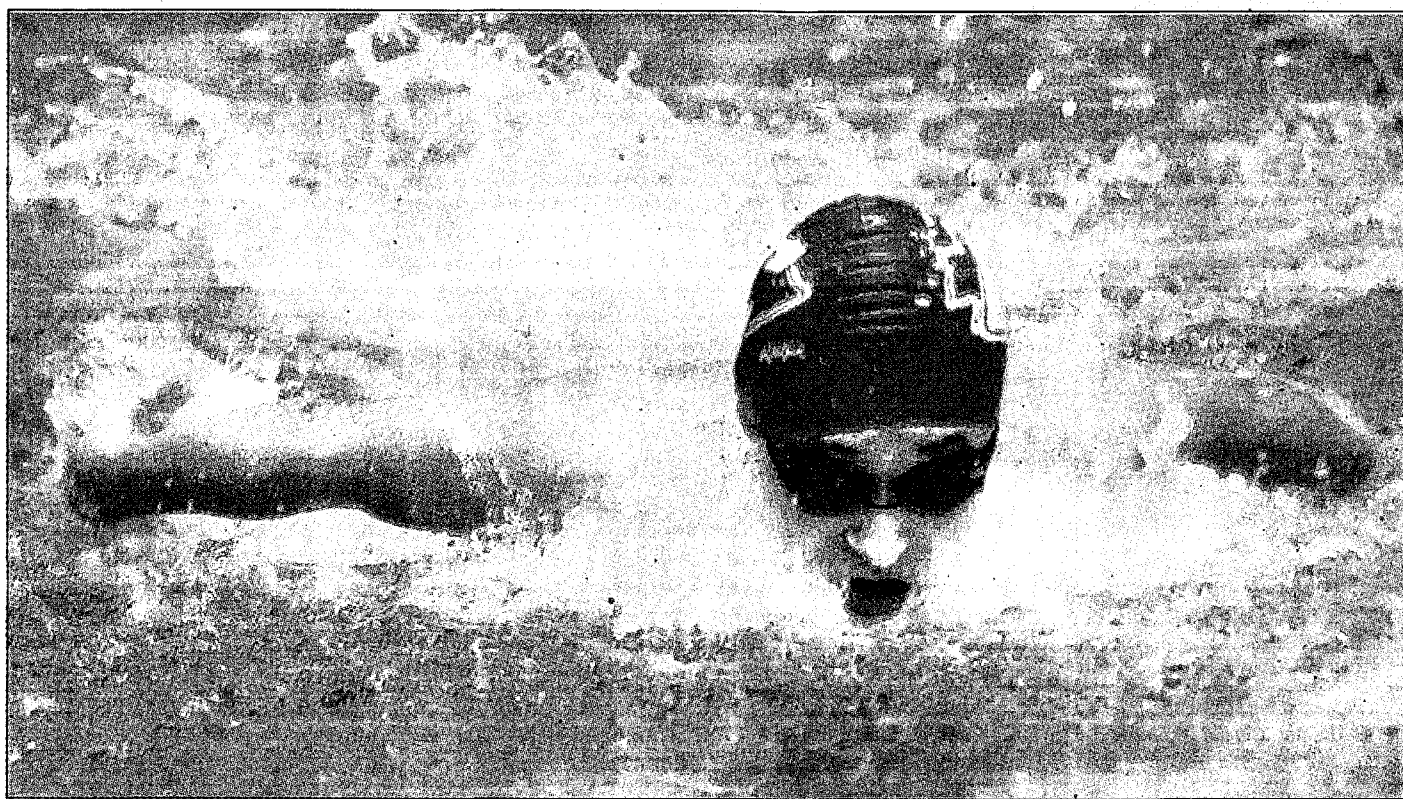
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Cutting through the water en route to a first-place finish in the 200-meter individual medley Thursday night is Canton's Jay Jin

## Canton tops in PCEP matchup

BY TIM SMITH  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The scoreboard showed that his Plymouth boys swimming and diving team lost to Canton Thursday night.

But Wildcats head coach Doug Schade sounded positively upbeat about his squad's overall performance despite Canton's 106.5-79.5 victory.

The KLAAs South Division dual meet took place at Canton's natatorium although it was a Plymouth "home" meet and Senior Night — with Tim Castle, Simon Kohlhasse, Ethan Weiner, Kyle Wilkinson, Chris Wilson and Adam Wing honored following the contest.

"We had about 30 or 40 best times," Schade said. "In this sport you show up, you compete and see what happens. ... You could probably go through every event and name off a best time, that's how we swam tonight."

The Chiefs, of course, featured a lineup including All-State candidates Jay Jin (four firsts, including two relays) and Victor Zhang — part of all three winning relays along with one individual victory.

"We swam real well," said Canton head coach Dave Le. "Going up against a cross-campus rival brings out the best in both teams and I think Plymouth swam

real well also. It was an exciting meet to watch."

### DEPTH A DIFFERENCE

Schade later added that some of the top performances by his team included junior Alex Jouney's 2:12.13 in the 200-yard IM, freshman Scott Wang's 5:30.19 (a 6-second drop) in the 500 free, freshman Cameron Earl's first-ever 1:00 time in the 100 back and a 23.66 time by sophomore Adam Liakos in his leg of the 200 free relay.

Jouney won the 100 free with a time of 53.28 while Castle captured the 100 breaststroke with a mark of 1:07.09 seconds.

According to Schade, there were plenty of contested races but the Chiefs had a bit more gas in the tank.

"Their team's tough and Dave Le's an excellent coach who really keeps them together and focused and they beat us tonight," Schade said. "Their relays definitely had better depth than us tonight."

"There were a lot of close races (but) they seemed to win most of those, so credit goes to them on that."

Actually, the closest race went to Plymouth. Jouney swam the 100 free in

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Plymouth's Adam Wing competes against Canton in the 200 IM during Thursday's meet.

## Chiefs snag South lead

BOYS BASKETBALL

BY BRAD EMONS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

There's a new leader atop the KLAAs South Division boys basketball standings.

Canton, playing lights-out defense, took over sole possession of first place with a key 42-36 victory Friday night at Wayne Memorial.

The Chiefs, who improved to 8-4 overall and 5-1 in the division, avenged a 71-60 setback on Jan. 8 at home to the Zebras.

Wayne, meanwhile, falls to 8-3 overall and 4-2 in the KLAAs South.

Junior point-guard Dietrich Lever scored a game-high 15 points, while 6-foot-6 senior forward Kevin Weisz added 13 for the victorious Chiefs.

Canton held the Zebras to 27.6 percent shooting from the field (13-of-47), including 1-of-19 from three-point range, and committed just eight turnovers.

"We took a little bit of a different approach," Canton coach Jim Reddy said of the rematch. "Wayne made seven 'threes' the first time. We got down quickly and had to play catch-up. We shot quickly. We shot 20 'threes' the last time, but tonight we wanted 10, 11 or 12, which is pretty good."

Canton was only 1-of-9 from three-point land and 15-of-46 overall from the floor (32.6), but controlled the pace of the game.

"We did a good job of closing down their dribble drives and did a great job of keep the player in front of us so they had to kick it out," Reddy said. "At half-time I told them I thought we were doing a nice job of throwing it inside to Kevin Weisz and Paul Baumgart (seven points). We also did a greater job defensively on (Daniel) Hill."

Wayne's 6-foot-3 senior

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## SIDELINES

### Hoop Shoot competition

The Canton Sports Center is inviting you to show off your basketball skills in the MRPA Hoop Shoot Skills Competition and the Three-on-Three Tournament.

Both events will take place on Saturday, Feb. 20, in the Summit Gymnasium, located at 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton.

The free Hoop Shoot Competition gives boys and girls ages 8-15 the chance to show off their shooting abilities. Each contestant has 60 seconds to score as many points from various locations on the court.

Check-in for the event will start at 8:30 a.m., with the event scheduled to start at 9 a.m. Players may either pre-register or register on-site, but all players must present a valid birth certificate for age verification.

The Three-on-Three Basketball Tournament is arranged by boy and girl divisions for grades 3-4, 5-6, and 7-8. All teams are guaranteed two games and prizes will be awarded to the winner and runner-up in each division.

The cost is \$52 per team, which can have up to four players, and the first games will start at approximately 10 a.m. The registration deadline is 9:30 a.m. on Feb. 20, so teams are encouraged to pre-register.

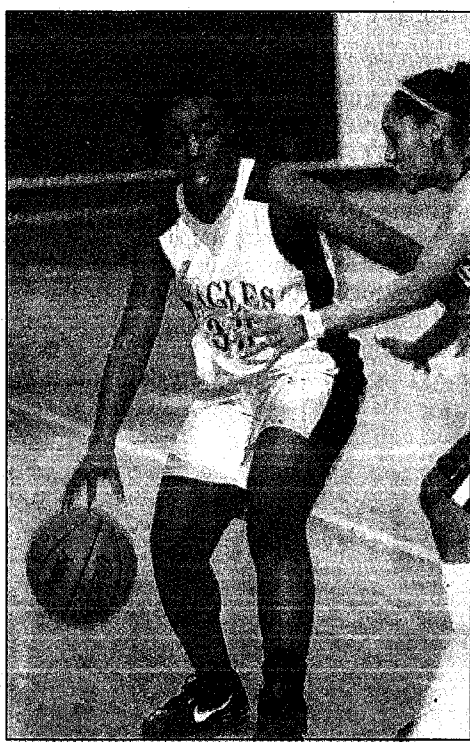
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### Canton Snowball tourney

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Plymouth Christian point guard Brianna Harris dribbles against a Southfield Christian defender Friday.

## Cold-shooting PCA falls in OT

BY TIM SMITH  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Amid the noisy din Friday night at Plymouth Christian Academy, the visiting team made enough clutch shots to eventually silence the home crowd.

Southfield Christian escaped defeat in regulation when the host Eagles could not hit free throws in the final seconds.

That set the stage for Southfield Christian to win 48-45 in a closely contested Michigan Independent Athletic Conference girls basketball matchup to spoil homecoming night as well as a 20-point game by PCA sophomore forward Kristin Malcolm.

"We just didn't make baskets, we didn't score in the fourth quarter," PCA head coach Carol Gerulis said. "We were at the rim a lot and we missed free throws and layups down the stretch of the game and that was it."

"If we had made the free throws and layups, we would have won."

Southfield Christian made more of those kind of shots in the fourth quarter and overtime.

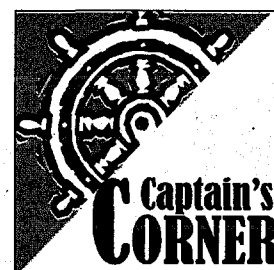
A driving layup by Shayla Moore with about two minutes to go in the four-minute OT put the visitors up 45-43 and senior forward Aneisha Bussey (22 points) iced the win with three free throws.

The victory lifted the visiting Eagles to a 6-6 overall record, while the host Eagles dropped to 3-8 overall and 3-5 in the MIAC.

"It wasn't one player offensively," Southfield Christian head coach Tim Fracassi said. "Defensively we had girls step up, they executed very well tonight. We could have boxed out a little better, but defensively they were solid."

Bussey did score 10 points in the first half to keep her team close (trailing 21-19 at halftime), but both teams had trouble finding the range in the third.

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## BRETT DE BEAR



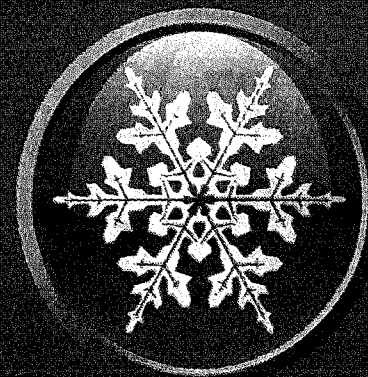
**Who:** Brett deBear, senior co-captain, Salem girls basketball team.

**Miscellany:** The 17-year-old carries a 3.7 grade-point average. Her parents are Jane and Bob. During her sophomore year she was honorable mention in the conference.

**Captain's job:** "It's to go in the gym everyday and be ready to work hard and prove that you deserve to be captain."

**Leadership style:** "Leading by example. Encourage team-

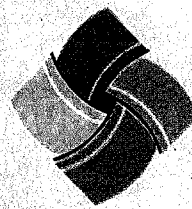
mates and help them out if they need it on our plays." **Why her?:** "I think they chose me because I work hard everyday to be ready for the games and I get in the games and fight for the team."



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# OT LOSS

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Malcolm tallied six of her team's eight points with assertive moves to the basket as PCA took a 29-27 lead into the fourth.

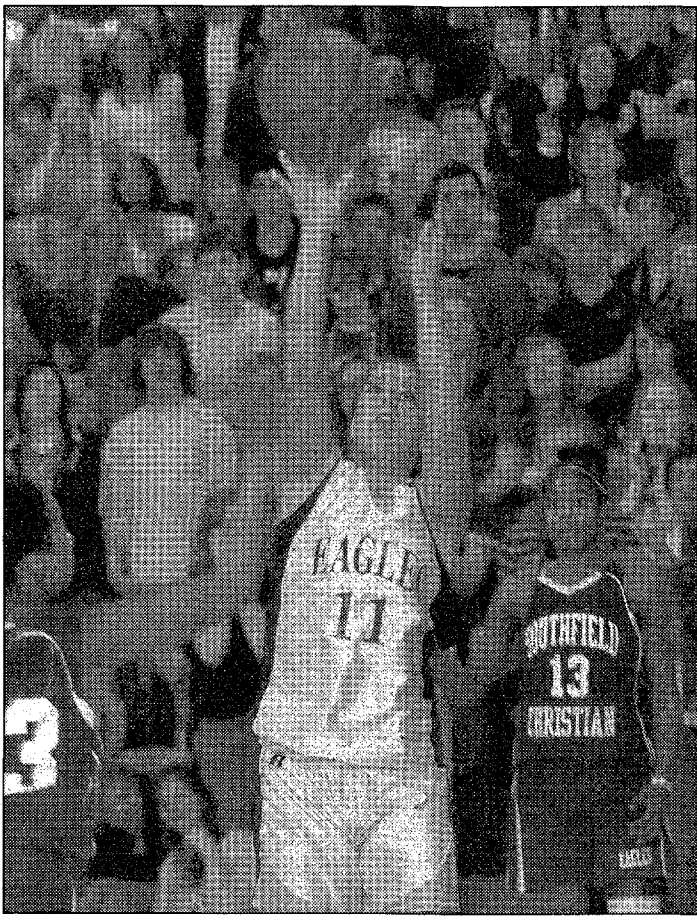
The home team crept ahead 33-31 early in the fourth on a pretty, spinning bank shot by Malcolm and junior point guard Brianna Harris (nine points) beefed up the lead to four points with a subsequent field goal.

But Southfield Christian went on an 8-2 surge in the final minutes of the quarter to take a 41-39 lead with 1:11 to go. Junior Peyton Brown and Bussey each drained two free throws.

Meanwhile, PCA missed the front end of three consecutive one-and-ones which could have secured the victory.

As it was, it took another Malcolm layup to force OT. PCA went 0-of-4 from the foul stripe in the extra session, further compounding matters.

Tallying seven first-half points for Plymouth Christian was freshman Karen Windle.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Eyeing the basket Friday night, before a packed homecoming crowd at Plymouth Christian, is senior Michaela Wheeler. In the background is Southfield Christian's Aneisha Bussey (No. 13).

# Plymouth rallies for 4-3 win

Plymouth scored three goals in the third period Wednesday night to earn a come-from-behind 4-3 victory over host Walled Lake Northern in a boys hockey game at Lakeland Arena.

The Wildcats (13-3-1) trailed 1-0 after the opening stanza and Northern (10-4) maintained a 2-1 edge entering the third before rallying.

"It was one of those games where we found a way to win," said Plymouth head coach Paul Fassbender.

One of the keys to the win was senior forward Pat Smiatacz, who registered two goals.

"He had a really good game,"

## BOYS HOCKEY

Fassbender said.

Also lighting the lamp for the Wildcats were senior forward Ryan Bauer and sophomore forward Zach Gambrell.

Making 27 saves to earn the win for Plymouth was senior goalie Zach Vojcek.

The Wildcats played Northville over the weekend and will host games Tuesday and Friday against South Lyon (7 p.m.) and Canton (2:30 p.m.), respectively. Both games will be played at Compuware Arena in Plymouth.

## Salem blanks foe

The Salem boys hockey team blitzed host Grosse Pointe South 5-0 on Wednesday with five players scoring goals for the Rocks (9-4-3 overall).

Salem took a 2-0 lead in the first and that more than held up as the Rocks won for the sixth time in seven games entering Friday's road game at Northville.

Goal scorers were Austin Sartorius (from Mike Hochkins and Kurt Driscoll), Josh Jarvela (from Mark McGee and Mario Macari), McGee (from Garrett Berg and Macari), Berg (from Macari and Jarvela) and Steve Haburne (from Ryan Blakey and Mike Manser).

# Rocks' rally falls short

Salem's varsity boys hockey team fell 3-2 Friday night to Northville in a KLA A crossover contest at Novi Ice Arena.

The Rocks closed the gap to 3-2 in the third period on a goal by Steve Haburne (from Connor Berlin and Matt Hull) but were unable to

net the tying marker against Mustangs netminder Sean Bretz.

Ryan Quigley scored the other goal for Salem in the first period, a shorthanded tally. Setting up the tally were Matt Driscoll and Hull.

But Mike Scorzo and Matt Rosier fired in the

game's next two goals to give Northville a 3-1 edge early in the third and that lead held up.

Also scoring for Northville (7-9) was Robbie Thornburg. The Rocks will host Detroit Country Day at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Plymouth Cultural Center.

# Rocks, Chiefs open 2nd half of KLA A with wins

Four players scored in double figures Friday night to spark host Salem to a 68-38 victory over KLA A Central opponent South Lyon East.

The Rocks (9-3, 6-0) were led by Sara Stone, who scored 19 points and contributed seven rebounds. Also having big games were Brett deBear (14 points), Rachel Norman (13 points) and freshman Breanne Beaver — who collected her first double-double with 13 points and 10 boards.

"She's really coming along," said Salem head coach Fred Thomann about Beaver, adding that the Rocks enjoyed good scoring balance.

Thomann said the Rocks have a key division matchup 7 p.m. Tuesday when Novi visits. The Wildcats have only one loss in the Central and will be primed to face Salem.

## Canton blitzes Zebras

Canton outscored visiting Wayne Memorial 27-0 in the first quarter Friday night and coasted to a 66-15 KLA A South girls basketball win.

"We got after them (defensively)," said Chiefs head coach Brian Samulski, whose team

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improved to 11-1 overall and 6-0 in the South. "It's a solid way to start off the second round of the division."

Junior forward Kari Schmitt led the Chiefs with 17 points, and helped out with six rebounds and six steals. Also in double figures was junior forward Kayla Bridges (14 points, 9 boards).

Chipping in with nine points was junior forward CarolAnn Sexauer while three Chiefs scored six points — sophomore guard Robyn Mack, senior guard Lindsey Winters and senior forward Alyssa Cottrell.

## Pats pound Plymouth

Host Plymouth took it on the chin Friday night, losing 52-26 to Livonia Franklin in a KLA A South matchup.

Scoring 10 points for the Wildcats (3-9) was junior Alex Roberts while Chelsea Williams scored 17 for Franklin.

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center Daniel Hill had a team-high 14 points, but nobody else was in double figures for the Zebras.

"A lot of teams have done it this year, it's been a point emphasis to keep Daniel out of there," Wayne coach Wayne Woodard said. "We're trying to get Daniel one-on-one, but it's been harder to come by the last few weeks."

Wayne led 11-7 after one quarter and held a slim 19-18 halftime lead.

But the Zebras went ice cold in the third quarter, missing their first nine field goal attempts and four straight free throws before baskets by James Jackson and Reggie Reeves (a three-pointer) during the final 57 seconds closed the gap to 27-24.

"I thought we had open looks," Wayne Woodard said. "I can't complain about the effort. There were some shots

that were not so good, but we had enough good shots. They just didn't go in."

Canton's best quarter was the decisive fourth when the Chiefs went on a mini 7-0 run to take a 33-24 advantage capped by Brandon Duffey's steal and layup with 5:38 remaining.

Hill's steal and Reeves' layup with 1:39 left cut the deficit to 37-33, but the Zebras never got closer than four the rest of the way.

Lever's basket on a drive through the middle of the lane with 1:04 remaining sealed the victory for the Chiefs, who now find themselves on the KLA A South's hot seat.

"We can't celebrate, that's what I just told the guys (in the lockerroom)," Reddy said. "We have four division games left against four teams we beat. But they're going to be after us now. Churchill is next (Tuesday at home) and they're a good team."

## Wildcats prevail

Mike Nadratowski scored 18 points and Brennen Beyer registered a double-double (12 points, 12 rebounds) Friday night as Plymouth defeated host Livonia Franklin 54-48.

The KLA A South win gave the Wildcats a record of 6-6 overall and 3-3 in the division while Franklin dropped to 4-8, 1-5.

Mike Gadsby scored 17 points for the Patriots.

## Salem edged

Visiting Salem could not maintain a 25-23 halftime lead Friday night, dropping a 47-44 KLA A Central game to South Lyon East.

"We didn't shoot the ball very well," lamented Salem head coach Bob Brodie, whose team fell to 6-6 overall and 2-4 in the Central with the loss. "Plus, South Lyon East played steady for four quarters."

Salem led 16-13 after one quarter and enjoyed the slim halftime advantage before the Cougars took control with a 15-9 third quarter.

# SIDELINES

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style softball event, is back by popular demand. The games return beginning 9 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 13, starting at 9 a.m. at the Canton Sports Center, located at 46555 W. Michigan Ave., Canton.

For the uninitiated, it's a co-ed tournament in a double-elimination format so everyone plays a minimum of two games. The entrance fee is \$130 per team and an umpire fee of \$12 per game is required. The deadline to register is 5 p.m. Feb. 10.

Chicago-style softball has a fun diversion from regular softball. A 16-inch ball is used, instead of the traditional 12-inch, and pitchers throw to their own batters who get two swings to put the ball in play.

If traditional softball is more your style, the 2010 season is coming up fast and registration begins March 1 with opening day on April 11. The Canton Sports Center has plenty of leagues to choose from that run six days a week, Sunday through Friday; leagues can be competitive or recreational and men's or co-ed.

All adult leagues are scheduled as double-headers with weekday game times at 6:15/7:30 p.m. and 8:45/10 p.m. except for Friday leagues which have game times at 7:45/9 p.m. Sunday through Thursday leagues consists of 18 games and playoffs and the Friday leagues have 10 guaranteed games plus playoffs.

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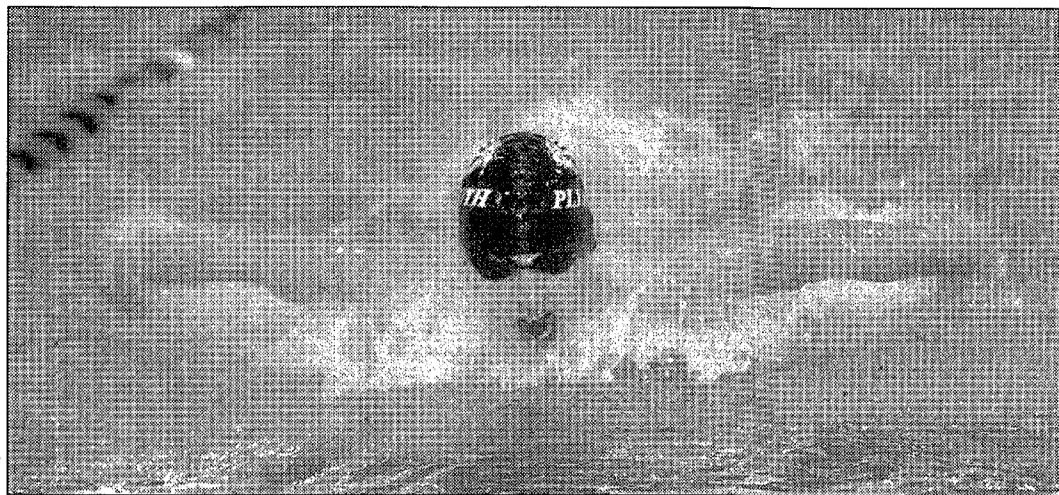
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Plymouth's Ethan Christenson swims the 100 butterfly during Thursday's meet. Christenson finished a close second in the race.

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**BOYS SWIMMING & DIVING DUAL MEET RESULTS**  
**CANTON 106.5**  
**PLYMOUTH 79.5**  
 Jan. 28 at Canton

**200-yard medley relay:** 1. Canton (Jay Jin, Ryan Boes, Victor Zhang, Patrick Jenner), 1:45.34; 2. Plymouth (Cameron Earls, Tim Castle, Ethan Christenson, Chris Wilson), 1:48.12; 3. Canton (Christopher Krebs, Jacob Dillon, Brandon Tolinski, Evan Champine), 1:51.89

**200 freestyle:** 1. Kyle Kemp (C), 1:55.65; 2. Ethan Weiner (P), 1:59.05; 3. Peter Burns (P), 1:59.13; 4. Adrian Simion (C), 1:59.19; 5. Dillon (C), 2:01.98

**200 individual medley:** 1. Jin (C), 2:05.32; 2. Alex Jouney (P), 2:12.13; 3. Adam Wing (P), 2:17.17; 4. Krebs (C), 2:17.56; 5. Christenson (P), 2:18.54

**50 freestyle:** 1. Jenner (C), 23.38; 2. (tie) Champine (C), Wilson (P), 24.30; 4. Castle (P), 24.43; 5. Adam Liakos (P), 24.89

**1-meter diving:** 1. Ryan Kilgore (C), 187.20 points; 2. Ian Smith (P), 172.15; 3. Wayne Roberts (C), 151.15; 4. Connor McManus (P), 145.00; 5. Alex Sogge (C), 113.40

**100 butterfly:** 1. Zhang (C), 53.98; 2. Christenson (P), 57.43; 3. Tolinski (C), 1:00.25; 4. Earls (P), 1:01.99; 5. Jenner (C), 1:03.22

**100 freestyle:** 1. Jouney (P), 53.28; 2. Simion (C), 53.99; 3. Wilson (P), 54.03; 4. Champine (C), 54.20; 5. Liakos (P), 54.44

**500 freestyle:** 1. Kemp (C), 5:08.61; 2. Burns (P), 5:25.20; 3. Wing (P), 5:27.05; 4. Krebs (C), 5:27.09; 5. Scott Wang (P), 5:30.19

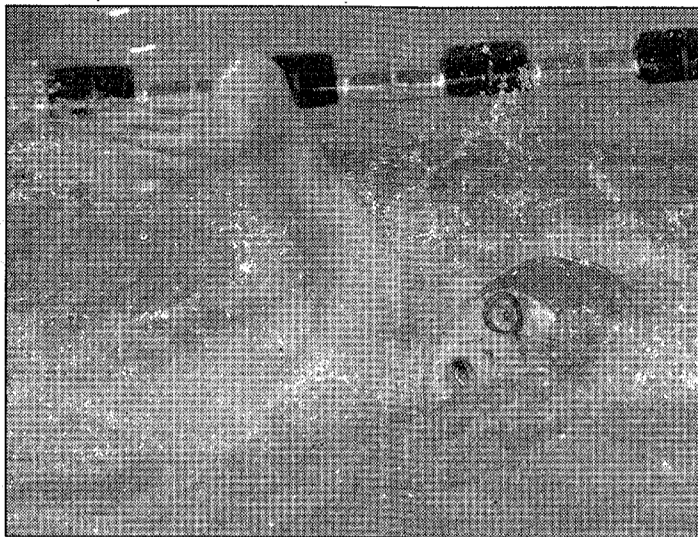
**200 freestyle relay:** 1. Canton (Jin, Mike Carlson, Tolinski, Zhang), 1:33.06; 2. Plymouth (Castle, Liakos, Jouney, Wilson), 1:35.43; 3. Canton (Champine, Dillon, Ryan DeFrain, Simion), 1:39.58

**100 backstroke:** 1. Jin (C), 56.96; 2. Earls (P), 1:00.91; 3. Wang (P), 1:05.76; 4. Weiner (P), 1:07.31; 5. Matthew Gran (C), 1:11.11

**100 breaststroke:** 1. Castle (P), 1:07.09; 2. Dillon (C), 1:10.72; 3. Boes (C), 1:11.06; 4. Brett Jia (P), 1:11.87; 5. Todd Maslyk (P), 1:13.41

**400 freestyle relay:** 1. Canton (Jin, Carlson, Tolinski, Zhang), 3:27.29; 2. Canton (Kemp, DeFrain, Simion, Krebs), 3:41.94; 3. Plymouth (Christenson, Earls, Liakos, Weiner), 3:42.45

**Dual meet records:** Canton, 4-1 overall, 4-0 KLAAS South Division; Plymouth, 4-2 overall, 3-1 KLAAS South.



Working his way to a first-place finish in the 200 freestyle Thursday night is Kyle Kemp of Canton.

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53.28 seconds, barely nipping Canton's Adrian Simion (53.99).

Canton took all three relays, including a state-qualifying performance of 1:33.06 in the 200 relay by the quartet of Patrick Jenner, Mike Carlson, Brandon Tolinski and Zhang. "That was a pleasant surprise," Le said. "They swam real fast."

The Chiefs also placed 1-2 in

the meet-closing 400 relay. "Chris Krebs anchored the B relay that did real well and was able to pull into second place," Le said. "... When he dove in the pool he was fourth, when he finished at the wall we were second."

Canton outscored the Wildcats 10-6 in diving, led by Ryan Kilgore's 187.20 points. Another Plymouth-Canton Educational Park showdown awaits the Chiefs, who host Salem 6:30 p.m. Tuesday. Plymouth will next visit Livonia Churchill on Thursday.

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**Bee stings: 21-0 S'craft rips St. Clair**

There's been quite a buzz all season long surrounding the No. 1-ranked Schoolcraft College women's basketball team.

And thanks to freshman center Kimberly Bee's career-high 23 points, 23 rebounds and six blocked shots, the Lady Ocelots continued their perfect campaign Wednesday night by upending host St. Clair County Community College, 65-43, in a showdown for first place in the MCCA's Eastern Conference.

Schoolcraft, now 21-0 overall and 11-0 in conference play, also got 14 points and 14 rebounds from Amber Avery. The Lady Ocelots, who led

33-22 at halftime, broke free from the Skippers with a 12-2 run to start the second half. Schoolcraft led 46-26 with 11:00 remaining and cruised to its 38th consecutive conference victory.

Schoolcraft, which trailed 12-9 with 13 minutes left in the first half, had a 65-31 rebounding edge.

Chanahl Putnam led second-place St. Clair (15-5, 8-2) with 13 points.

CONCORDIA 65, MADONNA 39: In a Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference game Wednesday, host Concordia University (12-10, 3-5) got 20 points from Hannah Sabol and 19 off the

bench from Kyrie Cramer to end a modest three-game winning streak by Madonna University (7-12, 3-4).

The Crusaders shot a dismal 13-of-61 from the floor (21.3 percent), including just 4-of-26 from 3-point range.

Tabatha Wydryck's 11 points and 13 rebounds paced MU, which trailed 34-23 at intermission.

Cramer also grabbed a team-high 10 rebounds, while Kortni Elsworth contributed 14 points.

Freshman Kaylee McGrath (Livonia Stevenson) added nine points for the Crusaders.

**Cardinals fly by MU men's cagers**

Despite four players scoring in double figures, the Madonna University men's basketball team fell Wednesday night to host Concordia University, 80-74, at Cardinal Fieldhouse.

Concordia improved to 8-14 overall and 2-6 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference, while MU falls to 4-18 and 1-6.

Marius Williams and Rocko Holmes led the way for the victorious Cardinals with 25 and 21 points, respectively.

Holmes also grabbed 10 rebounds, while Kyle Barlow contributed 13 points.

Junior guard Bryant Slaughter (Westland) and senior forward Leroy Allen paced MU with 19 points apiece.

WHAC Player of the Week Kevin Henry, a freshman guard, added 15 points and five assists. Tyler Coker came off the bench to score 11 points.

MU shot 46.7 percent from the floor (28-of-60), but only 17.6 percent from three-point range (3-of-17).

Concordia, leading 41-32 at intermission, connected on 26-of-52 shots from the field (50 percent), including 11-of-26 from beyond the arc.

ST. CLAIR 97, SCHOOLCRAFT 57: On Wednesday, Marquis Lee tallied 18 points and Kieon Arkwright added 15 as third-place St. Clair County Community College (16-4, 6-2) rolled to a MCCA Eastern Conference win over Schoolcraft College (3-17, 1-9).

The Ocelots, who trailed 44-26 at halftime, got a team-high 13 points from Aaron Felsner (Allen Park).

Trevor Zacny and Aaron Nelson chipped in with 11 and 10, respectively.

**Canton grapplers sweep quad meet**

In a tuneup for Observerland, Canton's wrestling team dominated Livonia Churchill and Plymouth at Wednesday's quad meet, going full-tilt throughout, said head coach Cory Mancuso.

The host Chiefs made Senior Night extra special with a 54-13 rout of Churchill, followed by a

66-6 thrashing of the Wildcats.

"The team wrestled at a high intensity for both duals," Mancuso said. "I really like where we are as a team right now as the season is starting to wind down."

The victories improved Canton's record to 26-6 overall and 4-1 in the KLAAS South Division.

**PREP BOWLING RESULTS**

**BOYS DUAL MATCHES**  
**SALEM 27, PLYMOUTH 3**  
 Jan. 26 at Novi Bowl

Salem scorers: Shaun Schmidt, 221-224-445; David Nikkila, 201-196-397; Ryan Clark, 196-169-365; Evan Ross, 215; Elliot Stout, 180; Kyle Newcomb, 167. Team totals: 957-982-1,939 (17 points).

Baker games: 247-203-450 (10 points).

Plymouth scorers: Justin Thompson, 198-213-411; Kyle Webb, 201-174-375; Rob Korstjens, 216-148-364; Joe Langell, 179; Andrew Fraser, 166; Evan Grimme, 137; Antonio Spinale, 128. Team totals: 880-800-1,680 (3 points).

Baker games: 237-161-398 (0 points).

**GIRLS DUAL MATCHES**  
**SALEM 20, PLYMOUTH 10**  
 Jan. 26 at Novi Bowl

Salem scorers: Emily Simmons, 140-184-324; Ashley Kretschmer, 167-157-319; Kristin Peltz, 171-147-318; Rachel Amodio, 127-169-296; Meaghan Eldridge, 131-123-254. Team totals: 723-780, 1,503 (20 points).

Baker games: 125-140-265 (0 points).

Plymouth scorers: Mandy Martin, 119-92-211; Mackenzie Carlson, 142; Allyson Gibbs, 141; Alyssa Conrad, 127; Serena Oliver, 120; Kristyn Sturtz, 110. Team totals: 618-571-1,195 (0 points).

Baker games: 175-146-321 (10 points).

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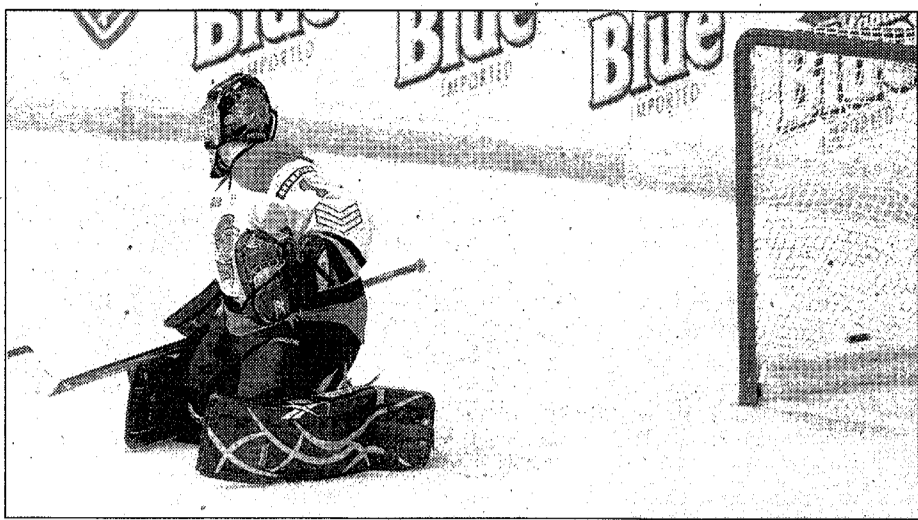
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Phil McRae's shot in overtime eludes Brampton goaltender Patrick Killeen to give the host Plymouth Whalers a 2-1 victory.



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## McRae scores in OT, Whalers win again

Phil McRae's goal at 0:39 of overtime stood as the game-winning goal as the Plymouth Whalers won their sixth straight game, 2-1, over the Brampton Battalion before a good crowd of 3,065 Friday night at Compuware Arena. Plymouth is now 30-20-0-1 and remains in fourth place in the OHL's Western Conference playoff race with 61 points, eight points ahead of fifth place Sault Ste. Marie (24-20-1-4) and seven points behind third place Kitchener (32-14-2-2), who defeated Sudbury, 5-2, tonight. Brampton is now 17-21-7-4.

On the game-winning goal, McRae skated into the Brampton zone on the left wing and snapped a shot past Battalion goaltender Patrick Killeen, who appeared to be screened by

his own defenseman and reacted late on the shot.

"I really didn't have much of an option (on the play), except to fire it on the net," McRae said. "So I just tried to get it through the defenseman legs and I think he screened his own goalie a little bit."

The game was scoreless but featured excellent goaltending between Killeen (29 saves) and Plymouth goaltender Scott Wedgewood (22 saves) for the first 39 minutes.

Plymouth took a 1-0 with 0:49 left in the second period as the forward line of Tyler Seguin, Robbie Czarnik and Tyler Brown went to work in the Brampton zone.

Brown checked Battalion defenseman Brad Albert hard along the left boards and the puck skipped free to Czarnik, who skated to the lower rim of the left circle. Czarnik fed

the puck across to Seguin on the right wing, who one-timed the puck quickly by Killeen for his 36th goal of the year and league-leading 82nd point of the season.

"We have a lot of speed as a line, so we definitely want to utilize it," Brown said. "I drive to the net and Czarnik and Seguin set up each other."

Brampton tied the game at 1-1 at 7:22 of the third period on Stephen Thorne's shot from the left wing that eluded Wedgewood. The goal is Thorne's 10th of the year.

That set the stage for McRae's game-winner (his 14th of the year), which was the only shot of the overtime. Plymouth's current six-game winning streak is the longest since last season, when the Whalers won six in a row from Feb. 6-20.

## SPORTS ROUNDUP

### Are you a Bad Bowler?

Super Bowl on Ford Road in Canton might be your place if you are. The facility is hosting a 12-week "Bad Bowlers Club" at 8 p.m. Thursdays through March. The program is for beginning or low-average bowlers.

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### Football inductees

Longtime Detroit Catholic Central assistant coach Rick Coratti and former Wayne Memorial standout Al Slamer (Holt) will be among those honored at the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame induction and banquet Saturday, March 27, at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel in Ann Arbor.

Doors open at 5:45 p.m., with the social hour at 6 p.m. Dinner is at 7 p.m., followed by induction ceremonies at 8 p.m.

Guest speaker will be University of Michigan head coach Rich Rodriguez.

To obtain tickets, call Gandalf Church at (269) 963-0865. For more information, call Larry Merx at (845) 837-9438; or e-mail lmerx@maxpreps.com.

### Plymouth rec offerings

Registration is continuing throughout January for two spring programs being offered by the city of Plymouth Recreation Department. The recreation office is located at 525 Farmer St. Call (734) 455-6620 for further information or go to [www.ci.plymouth.mi.us](http://www.ci.plymouth.mi.us).

- **Spring Youth Soccer:** Register at the recreation office during business hours (Monday through Friday from noon to 4:30 p.m.) the entire month of January. All first-time registrations require a birth certificate.
- **Spring Lacrosse:** Registration for youngsters in grades 3-8 continues all month at the rec office from noon to 4:30 p.m. weekdays. Roster space is limited and the program will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

### Lacrosse coach wanted

Applications are being taken by the city of Plymouth Recreation Department for a boys seventh- and eighth-grade lacrosse coach. Lacrosse experience as a player or coach is preferred, but not mandatory. Contact recreation director Steve Anderson at (734) 455-6620, ext. 302, or e-mail him at [sanderson@ci.plymouth.mi.us](mailto:sanderson@ci.plymouth.mi.us).

### Coaches, please call

Coaches of high school teams for the winter season are reminded to send in results to Tim Smith, Plymouth-Canton sports editor, in order to spotlight the achievements of local student-athletes. Call (313) 222-2637 or e-mail him at [tsmith@hometownlife.com](mailto:tsmith@hometownlife.com).

Please provide as much detail as possible as well as your team's current record. Deadlines are 11 p.m. both Tuesday nights for the Thursday edition and Friday evenings for Sunday's paper.

### Join PCLL spring leagues

The Plymouth-Canton Little League is holding walk-in spring registration for five leagues available to residents of Plymouth, Plymouth Twp, Canton and Canton Twp.

The signups will take place 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6 at Plaza Lanes, 42001 Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth.

The leagues include the following: T-Ball (ages 5-7), Coach Pitch (ages 6-8), Minor League (ages 7-10), Major League (ages 10-12) and Junior League (ages 13-14). Early registration is encouraged as the teams fill up fast.

For more information, go to [www.ply-canll.com](http://www.ply-canll.com).

### Plymouth soccer signups

Plymouth Soccer Club is holding spring registration through Jan. 29 at the City of Plymouth Recreation Office during business hours (Monday-Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.).

Those who are interested are invited to download forms or e-mail a password to do on-line registration at [www.ci.plymouth.mi.us](http://www.ci.plymouth.mi.us).

### Ice shavings

Plymouth Cultural Center is hosting drop-in hockey sessions through March 31, from 4-5:20 p.m. Tuesdays. Fees are \$5 for skaters except for the first four goalkeepers to sign up (they can play for free). Full equipment is required and participants must be age 14 or older.

The Cultural Center (525 Farmer) also features open skating and "Sticks & Pucks" through March 31.

Open skating is 12 noon to 1:20 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays and 4-5:50 p.m. Sundays. Fees: adults, \$5; under 16 and over 55, \$4; skate rental, \$2.

For "Sticks & Pucks" all skaters must pay \$5 and wear full equipment for the sessions, 2-3:50 p.m. Monday-Friday, also until the end of March. Parental supervision is required for participants under age 16.

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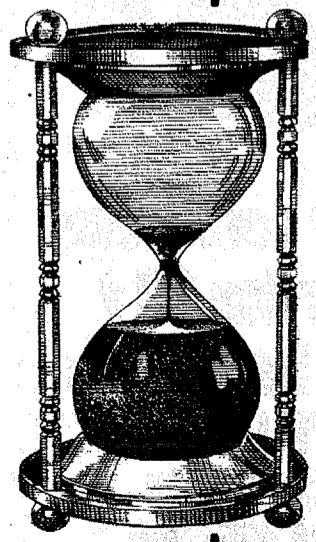
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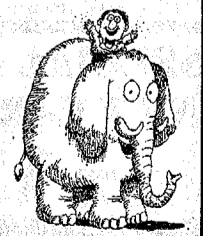
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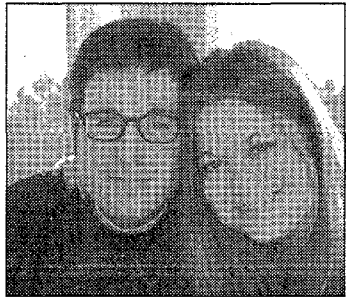
**LENK-BUTLER**

Leroy and Ellen (Lenk) Schramm announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Margaret Lenk, to Neal Andrew Butler, son of Michael and Gloria Butler of Livonia. The bride-to-be is also the daughter of the late Larry Lenk.

A 2006 graduate of the College of the Ozarks in Point Lookout, Mo., Mary Margaret currently works in business development for IconATG in Chesterfield, Mo. In her spare time, Mary Margaret volunteers for the Make a Wish Foundation.

Her fiancé is a 2006 graduate of Eastern Michigan University. He also received an MBA in 2009 from Michigan State University. Neal currently lives in Louisville, Ky., where he is employed by Ford Motor Company as a Labor Relations Representative.

Following their May 2010 wedding the couple will reside in Louisville, Ky.



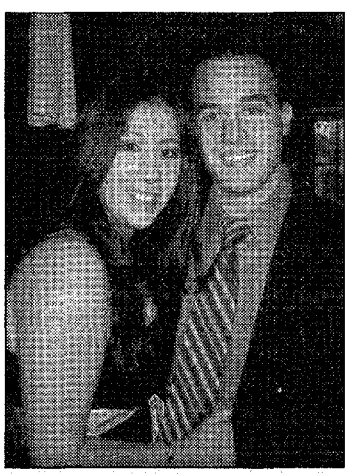
**FULLER-SKYNAR**

Sarah Fuller and Joseph Skynar, both of Canton, announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Anita and Steven McAfee of Fort Wayne, Ind., received a degree in elementary education from Washtenaw Community College. She is employed at Just Us Club, a nonprofit special needs daycare.

Her fiancé, son of Kathie and Larry Skynar of Northville, received a degree in mechanical engineering from Lawrence Technical University and is employed by Ford Motor Company.

A May 2010 wedding is planned in Northville.



**VELAZQUEZ-HOFMANN**

Hanna Paulet Velazquez and Brian Joseph Hofmann announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Victor and Maria Felix Velazquez of Walled Lake, attends Walsh College and is pursuing a bachelors degree in business management. She is employed at AirVoice Wireless in Bloomfield Hills.

Her fiancé, son of John and Marleen Hofmann of Livonia, is a 2009 graduate of Walsh College. He is employed at Valassis Communication in Livonia but will be leaving for the U.S. Army in late April 2010.

The couple plans to wed in early April 2010 at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Northville, with the Rev. Hal Edmonds officiating.

**BEDARD-MANN**

Julie Elizabeth Bedard and Michael Shawn Mann announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Duane and Jo Bedard of Livonia, is a 2003 graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn and a 2007 Wayne State University graduate. She is employed at Regina High School.

Her fiancé, son of Richard and Virginia Mann of Kalamazoo, is a 1998 graduate of Cedarville College. He is employed by United States Steel Corporation.

A July 2010 wedding in Plymouth is planned.



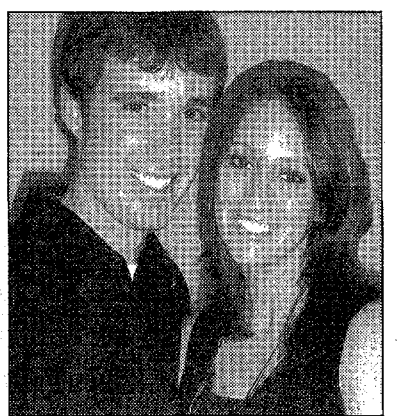
**ROOS-OLSON**

Joseph and Robin Roos and Michael and Diane Olson, all of Livonia, proudly announce the engagement of their children, Amanda Roos and Sean Olson.

The bride-to-be graduated from Albion College in December 2008 with a degree in Spanish and elementary education. She is a substitute teacher in metro Detroit.

Her fiancé will graduate from Western Michigan University in May 2010 with a bachelor's degree in aviation flight sciences. He holds multiple flight licenses.

The couple plans to marry in summer 2012 in Livonia.

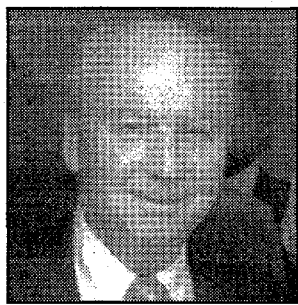


**DR. RICHARD ALLEN CHASE**

Age 68, of South Lyon, passed away on January 25, 2010 at his home, surrounded by family. He was born on August 18, 1941, in Dearborn, to the late John and Jenelle (Lewis) Chase. Dr. Chase was a chiropractor in the Plymouth community for 30 years. He is survived by his beloved wife Alice (Comport) Chase; children: Rick (Katie) Chase and Candi (Joe) Chodacki; grandchildren: Rebecca, Abigail, John, Lane, and Tristan; and his sister Charlene Nippa. A memorial gathering will be held on Jan. 30, Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. A memorial service will follow at 1 p.m. at Phillips Funeral Home, 122 W. Lake St. (Ten Mile), South Lyon. Online guestbook [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com).

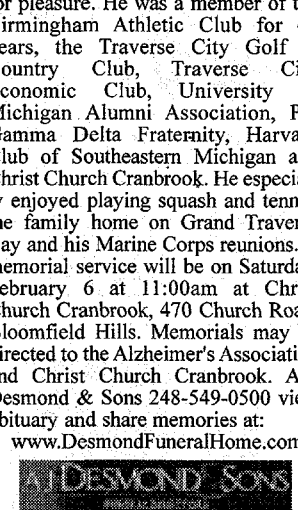
**KEVIN V. CORAZZA**

Of Plymouth, MI, age 61, passed away unexpectedly Thursday, January 28, 2010 in Baldwin, MI. He was born on August 26, 1948 in New Jersey, the son of Victor and Elizabeth (Quinn) Corazza. Kevin was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving during the Vietnam War. He also worked for the U.S. Government in the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency for 30 years. In 1972 he became the devoted husband of Cecilia "CeCe" Ritter in Chelsea and she survives. Kevin loved woodworking, entertaining, and spending time with his family and friends. He was a loving father to Mary (Drayke) Dondero of Clarkston, Margaret Corazza of Plymouth, Charles (Chelsey) Corazza of Hartland, and Daniel Kelly of Redford. Also surviving are one grandson, Leo A. Dondero; his siblings, Mary (George) Terry of NJ, Claire (Leni) Wade of DE, Jack (Linda) Corazza of NJ, Theresa (Hank) Sobolak of PA, Kathleen Corazza-Bahns of NJ, Donna Corazza of NJ, Richard (Sue) Corazza of NJ, Victor (Ruth) Corazza of NJ, Beth (Scott) Cumming of NJ, Louise (Patrick) Busby of VA, and David (Mary) Corazza of PA; and three sisters-in-law, Laurie Corazza of CA, Carol Corazza of NJ, and Margaret (Tom) Beller of Novi. He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, William and Joseph Corazza. Funeral mass will be held Monday, February 1, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. from St. Mary Catholic Church, Chelsea, with Rev. William J. Turner officiating. Burial will follow at Mt. Olivet Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home on Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. with Rosary at 7:30 p.m. Expressions of sympathy can be made to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society or to St. Mary Catholic Church.



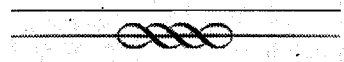
**MILTON ALFRED "AL" DARLING, JR.**

January 15, 2010. He was the son of Milton Alfred Darling, MD and Winogene Ellett Darling, and brother of Charles Ellett Darling, MD. He was born in Detroit, Michigan on June 8, 1921 and on September 26, 1942 he married Dorothy Eaton Brooks who survives. Al held a BA from the University of Michigan ('42) and a JD from Harvard University ('48). He served in the United States Marine Corps from 1942-46 and reached the rank of Major. His professional career spanned 35 years on both the national and international Labor Relations staff at the Ford Motor Company. He was a member of the State Bar of Michigan. Al Darling is survived by three children: Linda (David) Onheiber of Tualatin, OR, Brooks (Jane) Darling and David Darling, both of Suttons Bay, MI. And five grandchildren: Matthew, Katie, Ben, Mason and Clay, as well as three nieces and a nephew. Al enjoyed his Bloomfield Hills and Suttons Bay residences; and was a world traveler both professionally and for pleasure. He was a member of the Birmingham Athletic Club for 47 years, the Traverse City Golf & Country Club, Traverse City Economic Club, University of Michigan Alumni Association, Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity, Harvard Club of Southeastern Michigan and Christ Church Cranbrook. He especially enjoyed playing squash and tennis, the family home on Grand Traverse Bay and his Marine Corps reunions. A memorial service will be on Saturday, February 6 at 11:00am at Christ Church Cranbrook, 470 Church Road, Bloomfield Hills. Memorials may be directed to the Alzheimer's Association and Christ Church Cranbrook. A.J. Desmond & Sons 248-549-0500 view obituary and share memories at: [www.DesmondFuneralHome.com](http://www.DesmondFuneralHome.com)



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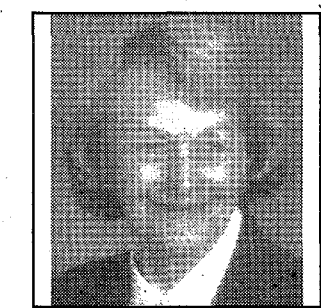
Age 97, January 24, 2010. Beloved wife of the late Rowland. Dear mother of William F. (Diane) and Richard A. (Carolyn). Sister of Roger Kiper of Bloomington, IL. Also survived by eight grandchildren. Funeral Service at R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Rd., Livonia, Friday 11 AM. Visitation Thursday, 1-8pm. Memorial Contributions may be directed to Covenant Baptist Church, 5800 W. Maple, West Bloomfield, MI 48322. Share a memory of Bessie at: [www.rgrrharris.com](http://www.rgrrharris.com)



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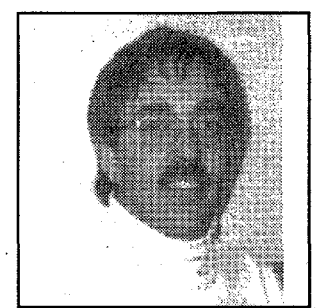
**MARION MACKENZIE**

Naples, FL

This world lost someone special on Sunday, January 24, 2010. Marion was born on April 15th 1924 in Detroit, Michigan to parents Frank and Mary Wilberding, younger sister to brothers Frank and Ed. She attended the Academy of the Sacred Heart before completing her college degree at the University of Detroit. Marion and her husband, Gordon, recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with a group of couples in Naples, Florida who call themselves the 49'ers. They shared a sense of fun and adventure which took them around the world, including two extended stays in England. They thoroughly enjoyed their Saturday lunches in the country, and Marion, her day trips to London scouring for antiques, and absorbing the rich culture of their adopted city. Marion was the ultimate partner in life and career. She shared with Gordon a successful automotive career with many highs and lows, all of which she met with her characteristic elegance, modesty and quiet thoughtfulness. In addition, she was a person of deep faith and remained a devout Roman Catholic her entire life. She was the mother of three boys, Blair, John, and David, who was loved by everyone who knew her, and widely considered one of the great moms of all time with her nurturing kindness and warmth. She was truly a beautiful person both inside and out. Visitation was held at Fuller Funeral Home, 1625 Pine Ridge Rd., Naples. Mass of Christian burial was celebrated on Thursday, Jan. 28th at St. William Catholic Church, in Naples with entombment following at Naples Memorial Gardens. For online condolences, visit: [www.fullerfuneralhome.com](http://www.fullerfuneralhome.com) Fuller Funeral Home Naples, FL. (239) 592-1611

**FRANK JOSEPH MOLNER, Jr.**

Age 46, passed away January 24, 2010, of Westland, Michigan. [www.vermeulenfuneralhome.com](http://www.vermeulenfuneralhome.com)



**THOMAS E. PILURAS**

Age 55, of Snohomish, WA formally of Westland, MI passed away at his home January 21st 2010 with his family by his side. Loving husband to Sally, beloved and devoted father to Virginia, his pride and joy. Tom also leaves behind 2 sisters Lynn A. Taylor, Dru Ann Lovelly, 2 brothers Michael D. Piluras, and Alex Piluras, a dear friend Dave Yelonek. Dearest cousin to Ernie Kosmakos, and many more family and friends. He will be missed by many to those whose lives he touched. Tom graduated from Churchill High School class of 1972 of which he was Senior Class President. Preceded in death by his mother Norene, and father Alex. Memorial service will be held at a later date.



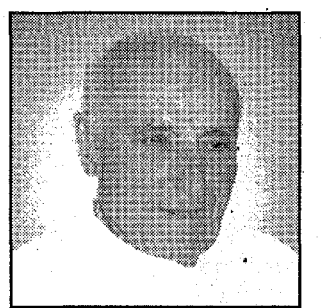
**BARBARA A. PULLEY**

January 28, 2010 age 68. Beloved wife of Ray. Dearest mother of Lindsey (Michael) Atikian & Nancy (Mario) Bouchard. Dear grandmother of Manny, Elana, Ray, Eden, Kim, Stephanie & Dayna. Loving and cherished aunt of many nieces and nephews. Sister of Will, Jacqueline, Donna, Martha, Ronald, Mike & Penny. Visitation held at Fred Wood Funeral Home (Rice Chapel) Sunday 1:00PM until time of service 3:00PM. Please visit our online guestbook at: [fredwoodfuneralhome.com](http://fredwoodfuneralhome.com)



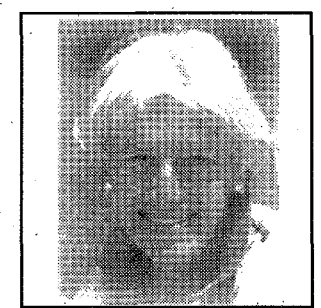
**MARCELLA IRENE (BECHLER) STOEGBAUER**

Marcella Irene Stoegbauer, 91, of Henderson, NV passed away January 16, 2010 in Indio, CA. She was born January 14, 1919 to Louis and Mary Ann Bechler in Athens WI. She married Norbert A. Stoegbauer on October 2, 1943 in Athens. Marcella was a registered nurse for 50 years and a graduate of St. Joseph's Nursing School in Marshfield, WI. She was a member of St. Francis Assisi, La Quinta CA. She is survived by her daughters, Mary Kay Gallagher of Henderson and Jean Ann Murphy of Hadley, NY, and sons James N. Stoegbauer of Glendale, AZ and Michael J. Stoegbauer of Henderson; as well as seven grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Norbert. Services were private. Interment took place January 26, 2010.



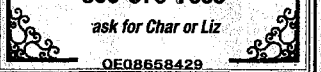
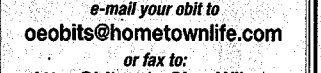
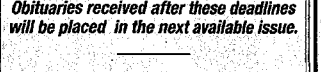
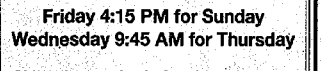
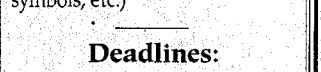
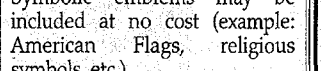
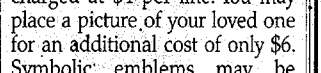
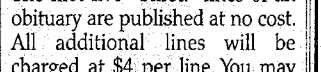
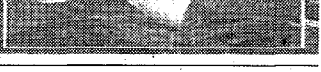
**STEPHEN THOMPSON**

January 25, 2010, age 94, of Birmingham, formerly of Plymouth and West Bloomfield. Born November 23, 1915 in San Francisco. He was raised in Alexandria, Egypt. After returning to the United States, he graduated from Detroit Central High School and Detroit College of Business. He married his high school sweetheart, Judy Weldgen and they were married for 67 years. He served as a Captain in the US Army Air Corps in France as an air traffic controller during WWII. After the war he returned to Detroit and founded Villaire, Inc. and operated the company until he retired in 1980. Stephen was a gourmet cook and faithfully prepared all the meals for his family throughout his life. He was fluent in several languages. Stephen and Judy enjoyed traveling the world for over 40 years. He was a dedicated health enthusiast and worked out every day of his life. He was a loving caregiver for his wife during her battle with Alzheimer's and was at her bedside when she peacefully passed away on February 6, 2009. After her death he moved to a high rise apartment building in Birmingham to be near his daughter. He was always an avid reader and joined the Birmingham library. He leased a new car, continued to enjoy cooking for himself, going out for dinner and working out. Rain or shine, he walked daily in downtown Birmingham and made many new friends. He had a remarkable personality and was always ready to engage in spirited conversation. No matter where or what Stephen was doing, he always kept and carried his sense of humor. He enjoyed an active and full life until he became suddenly ill. He passed away peacefully with family at his side and the devoted care of Beaumont Hospice. On January 25, Stephen joined his late wife, Judy in heaven with God. Beloved husband of the late Justine "Judy" (nee Weldgen). Dear father of Stephanie VanHellemont and Ronald S. Thompson (Susan). Loving grandfather of Ronnie S. (Kristy), Katie, Joey, Trevor, and Megan and Julian VanHellemont. Also survived by his pet friend, Niki. Memorial Mass has been held. A.J. Desmond & Sons, 248-459-055. View obituary and share memories at: [www.desmondfuneralhome.com](http://www.desmondfuneralhome.com)



**BARBARA PFENNING WRIGHT**

Died peacefully on January 6, 2010 at Williamsburg Landing, Williamsburg, Virginia where she had lived for the past twelve years. She was 91 years old. Barbara was born on September 28, 1918 in Thorp, Washington to Clela Omstead Pfening and Hubert E. Pfening. Her father Hubert was a veterinarian and cattle rancher in the Kittitas Valley and Barbara's entire youth was spent in the ranching community of Ellensburg. She was a leader in the Rainbow Girls, and was elected Grand Worthy Advisor in 1936. Barbara was an excellent horsewoman and served as the 1938 Ellensburg Rodco Queen. Barbara, a 1940 graduate of the University of Washington, became a registered dietitian after completing her internship at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. While practicing dietetics in 1942 at Camp Callan near San Diego, CA, Barbara met and married John C. "Jack" Wright, Jr., an Army captain from Hamburg, New York. Barbara and Jack eventually settled in the Birmingham/Bloomfield Hills area of Michigan where they raised their three children. Upon Jack's retirement, Barbara and Jack moved to Harbor Springs, Michigan, where she enjoyed painting, piano, golf, downhill and cross country skiing, and entertaining their large group of friends. In 1997, Barbara and Jack moved to Williamsburg Landing in Virginia. They enjoyed 63 long and happy years of marriage. Barbara absolutely loved being outdoors; riding horses, camping, walking her dogs, golfing, skiing or simply sitting outside enjoying the sun on her face. She showed early aptitude and musicianship at the piano, and provided hours of entertainment for friends and family playing boogie-woogie, ragtime and show tunes throughout her life. She was an accomplished classical pianist and performer for fellow musicians as a member of the Birmingham Musicale. Barbara also enjoyed painting and one of her favorite subjects was the north woods of Michigan. Following in her mother's footsteps, Barbara was a life-long member of the PEO Sisterhood. She was a committed supporter of Planned Parenthood and was dedicated to health and educational opportunities for women. Barbara will be remembered as adventuresome, fun-loving, strong, and resilient. She was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother, and a loyal friend. She is survived by her children Richard Wright (Claudia) of Farmington CT, Laurie Kingsley (Ward Rafferty) of Solvang, CA; her grandchildren Christina Wright of Milwaukee WI, John David Wright of Chicago, IL, and Adam Wright (Kari) of Louisville KY; and her sister-in-law Catherine Wright of Hamburg, NY. Barbara was preceded in death by her devoted husband Jack and her loving son David. A private family memorial will be held. Memorial donations may be sent to the Michigan PEO Fund, Inc. (c/o Angelina Skjold, 6123 Fowler Rd, Twin Lake, MI 49457). Barbara's family extends their immense gratitude to all the staff at Williamsburg Landing in Virginia.



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# NEIGHBORS

## Playing Cupid

### Barbershop quartets deliver songs from the heart

Don Venturino fixes Bruce Jonasz's bow tie as they ready to sing valentines.



The quartet, Three D's and a W, consisting of Don Bohnwanger, (left), Wally Jennings, Don Venturino and Don McCorkle, pose with one of their singing valentine recipients last year.

BY SHARON DARGAY  
O&E STAFF WRITER

Chocolates will disappear in a few days.

Flowers will wilt.

But Frank Adams says a valentine delivered in four-part harmony lingers in memory forever.

"You know, people spend a lot of money on flowers and candy and stuff. Once Valentine's Day passes, who remembers it? We look forward to doing singing valentines each year. It's such a wonderful experience," said Adams, who sings with the HarmonyTown Chorus, the Wayne chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society. "This particular type of thing people remember. We get a lot of comments about it. It's a very unique type of music with four-part harmony and we do it a capella."

The 23-member chorus sent its members — organized into quartets — to homes, and businesses throughout western Wayne and Oakland counties last year. The four-somes delivered 42 singing valentines in two days.

They've expanded the event this year. The tuxedo-clad singers will work from 9 a.m. to approximately 8 p.m., Friday-Sunday, Feb. 12-14, offering three days of heartfelt performances. Each delivery costs \$40 and includes three songs, a rose and a personalized Valentine greeting card. Proceeds help HarmonyTown Chorus continue to promote barbershop singing.

"Our chapter is 65 years old. We do a lot of charitable performing year-round. We go to nursing homes, senior centers, assisted living places."

#### APPRECIATIVE AUDIENCE

Hawthorn Center in Northville is a favorite venue for the chorus. The men put on a 45-minute show there every year for the psychiatric hospital that serves children and adolescents.

"That's one of our real heartwarming experiences. It's amazing how those kids enjoy the show. You wouldn't think a bunch of old guys singing would entertain them, but they really seem to enjoy the show."

The singers experience similar reactions when they deliver musical valentines.

"I did one a couple years back that I still remember. A woman called me and said that every year from the first time they dated, her husband called her on the phone on Valentine's Day and sang a special song. He had been working two jobs and she wanted to do something special for him that year."

Adams arranged for the quartet to sing the special song — *I Love You Truly* — at the couple's home, before the husband headed to his night job.

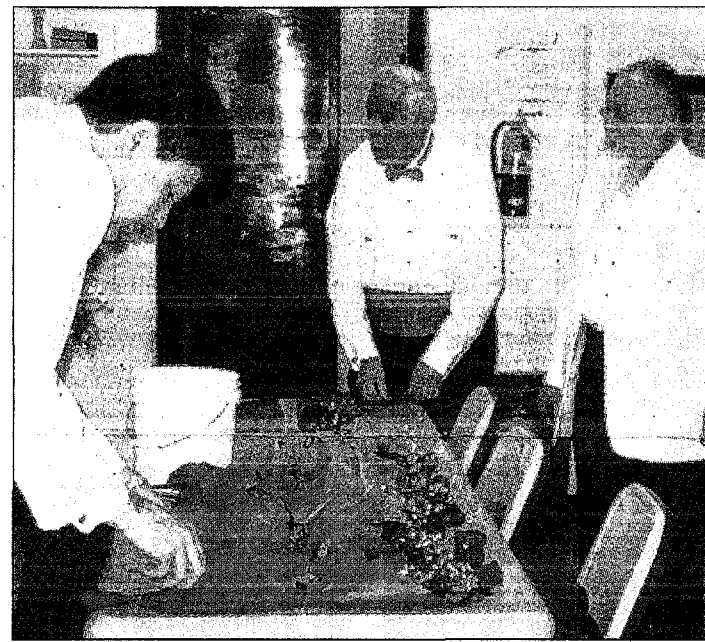
"You could see the tears in his eyes."

Two of the quartets stop at Livonia City Hall every year to serenade employees and visitors. They belt out love tunes in the building's atrium for an appreciative audience spread across five floors.

"And they throw money at us," Adams noted. "Last year we collected \$59 or so."

Book a singing valentine by calling (734) 743-1764.

Interested in joining the group? It meets at 7:30 p.m. every Tuesday at Kirk of Our Savior Church, 36660 Cherry Hill, in Westland.



Mark Pritchard (left) readies roses with help from Wally Jennings and Tony Pyrkosz last year.

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# Rescue group appeals for funds to pay vet bills

Tail Waggers USA, a Livonia-based needs donations to help pay veterinary costs for three dogs it rescued from an abandoned home in Detroit.

Laura Zain, group founder, said the Wayne County Sheriff Department called for her help in removing two puppies and an older dog from a house that had no electricity, heat and water and was a suspected drug-dealing site.

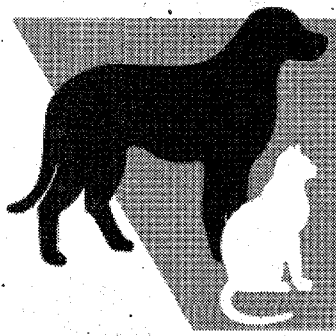
She said one of the pups, a 4-month-old that has been named Petey, was infested with feces and urine and was found starving to death in a back room with the two other dogs.

"As disturbing as it is to mention, Petey was so thin that every bone in his small body could be counted and he could hardly stand up. His eyes and nose had substance draining from them making it hard for him to see and breathe. Upon approach he would cover — a true sign that he was beaten," Zain wrote in an e-mail appeal for donations. "Petey was in need of immediate veterinary care. After 10 days in the isolation ward of the hospital, all three dogs are healthier, have been vaccinated and in need of a permanent home. We, however, need to pay for their care and are asking for help.

"Emergencies such as this drain our Emergency Assistance fund and animals in your own community are being turned away due to lack of funding in this program."

She said the organization aims to help animals in need and support their families "through these difficult economic times."

To make a tax-deductible donation for Petey, log onto the group's Web site at [www.tailwaggersusa.org](http://www.tailwaggersusa.org) and click on the donation button. Donations can also be mailed to: Tail Waggers USA, 27859 Oakley, Livonia, MI 48154



## PET PROJECTS

### Pet of the Year

The Michigan Humane Society is sponsoring an online pet photo contest and search for "Pet of the Year."

By using MHS' online tools, participants can create their own dedicated web page, including their pet's photo and rationale on why they should be voted "Pet of the Year." They can e-mail links to their page to friends and family worldwide who can support their "campaign" by voting with a donation. Each dollar raised will represent one vote, and the winning candidate will be named MHS' "Pet of the Year."

All pet photo submissions must be accompanied by a \$20 contest entry fee. A minimum of \$10 is required for each online donation. In addition to being named "Pet of the Year" and featured on the MHS Web site, the winner will receive a special "Pet of the Month" feature placement in the MHS 2011 Pet Calendar. A first runner-up will receive an MHS Retail Prize Pack, and a second runner-up will receive an MHS T-shirt.

"As proud pet parents, we all love to show off photos and recount our pet's most unique traits," stated Mike Robbins, MHS Director of Marketing and Communications. "The Online Pet Photo Contest offers a fun and easy way to do that, while also allowing you to help animals in need find their forever, loving homes."

For contest details or to get started, visit [www.michiganhumane.org](http://www.michiganhumane.org).

### Pets and baby

Expectant parents will learn how to prepare their companion animals for the arrival of a human baby in the household through a class 7-9 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 11, in classrooms 1 and 2 at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia.

"Pet Preparation for Baby" will help parents understand what to expect from their pet, how to prepare for success with simple strategies for a smooth transition, and how to anticipate and prevent potential behavior problems.

The fee is \$10 per person. Registration is required. Call (734) 655-1159. Or visit [www.stmarymercy.org](http://www.stmarymercy.org) and click on "classes and events."

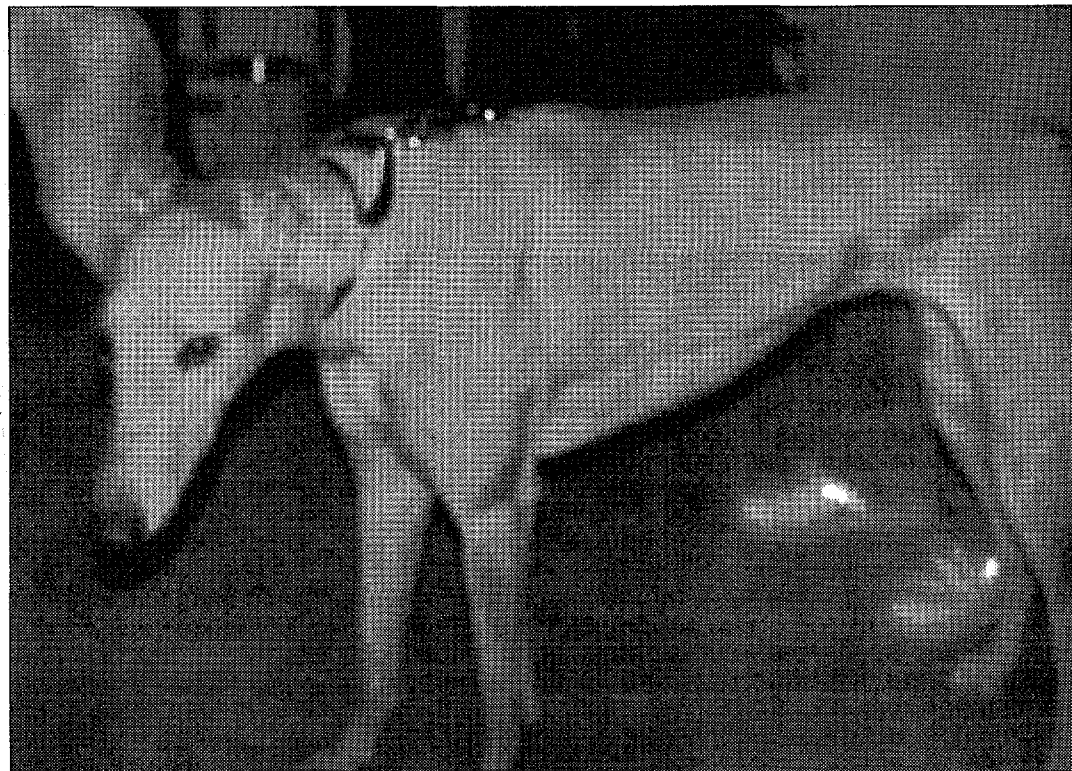
### Meet, greet, eat

Greyheart Greyhound Rescue and Adoption plans a "meet and greet" next month at two PetCo locations. The first is noon-4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 7 at the Canton location, 43435 Ford Road; the other is noon-4 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 14, at 22631 Gratiot, Eastpointe.

At both events the organization will sell red and white heart-shaped lollipops for a \$1 donation.

All proceeds from the sale of Greyful Meat Lasagna, available from the prepared foods department at Hiller's markets next month also will benefit Greyheart Greyhound Rescue and Adoption.

Hiller's operates seven stores throughout Metro Detroit. Local sites include 3615 Washtenaw Avenue, Ann Arbor, (734) 677-2370; 39950 W. 14 Mile, Commerce Township; (248) 960-1990; 425 N. Center, Northville, (248) 344-4001; 15455 Haggerty, Plymouth, (734) 420-5555; and 6433 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, (248) 851-7100.



Volunteers at Greyheart Greyhound Rescue and Adoption say Meri looks like a tiny deer who loves to play with toys.

### ADOPTABLE GREYHOUNDS

Meri is Greyheart Greyhound Rescue and Adoption's featured dog of the week. Here's what volunteers say about her:

Meri just completed her racing career in Florida and it's

time for her to settle down with her very own family. She's age 3 1/2 and a lovely fawn color. She looks a little like a tiny deer. She loves playing and has a few squeaky toys that she shares with the other dogs in

her household. Her foster family also has a cat. If you want to meet Meri, call Greyheart Greyhound Rescue and Adoption at (866) 438-4739. Visit the organization's Web site at [www.greyheart.org](http://www.greyheart.org).

### IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

#### BOWL FOR BRAILLE BOOKS

Mark March 21 on your calendar if you like to bowl or feel passionate about helping place braille books in the hands of blind children.

Seedlings Braille Books for Children will hold its 23rd Annual Bowl-A-Thon at 1 p.m. that day. Registration will start at noon at Super Bowl Lanes in Canton.

The event will include raffle prizes, a silent auction and prize packages for the top three bowlers who raise the most pledges.

Bowlers will get three games, shoes, lunch, a goody bag, and a free ticket for a chance raffle drawing. Sponsorship opportunities are still available to local businesses and organizations. Registration is March 7 with a minimum donation per bowler of \$60.

Register or pledge online or download a brochure at [www.seedlings.org](http://www.seedlings.org) under the special events section.

Seedlings Braille Books for Children is a

non-profit organization in Livonia dedicated to increasing the opportunity for braille literacy by providing high quality, low-cost braille books to blind children. Every \$10 earned at the bowl-a-thon will create one more book. Last year, bowlers raised more than \$27,000.

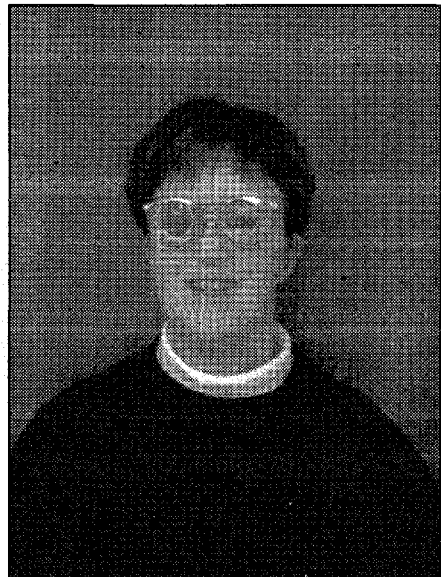
#### GREEN JOBS

North Church Women will meet 11:30 a.m. Feb. 2, at North Congregational Church, 36520 West 12 Mile, Farmington Hills. Farmington Hills City Manager Steve Brock will talk about "Green Jobs for Blue Waters" The session is free. All are welcome. (248) 8481750

#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Autumnwood of Livonia, a long-term and acute care facility, seeks volunteers to help with daily activities, such as one to one conversation, group games and socials. All ages/groups are welcome. Call Misty Troyan, activity director, at (734) 425-4200 ext:138.

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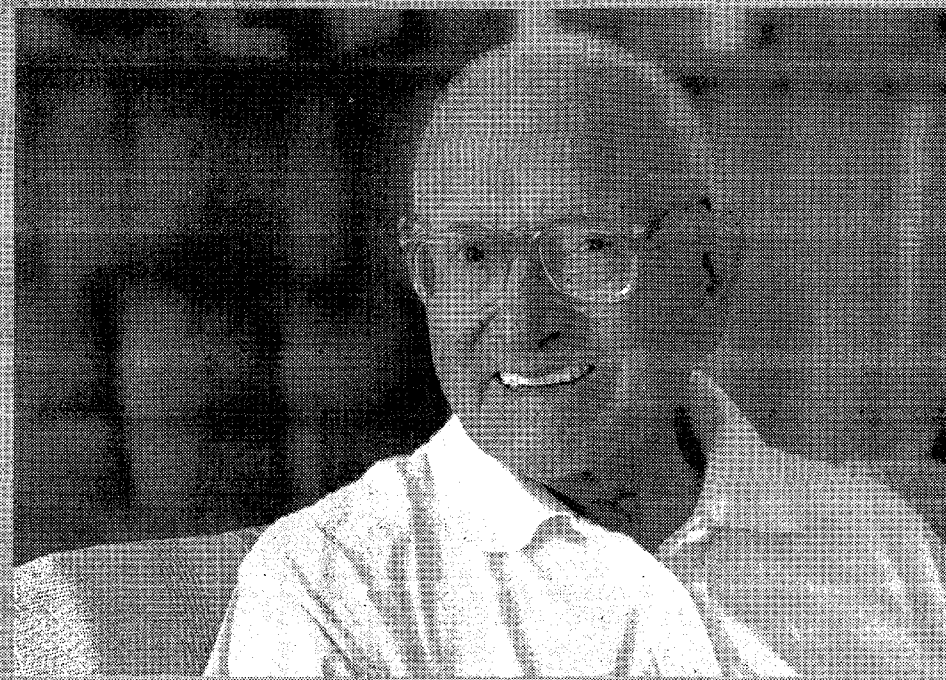
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**Dearborn Heights Haston High Class of 1965**  
45-year reunion, 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. July 24; Contact Pat Beadle-Kopczyk, 3334 Kneeland Circle, Howell, MI 48843, at (517) 552-1182 or e-mail to her at [patkopczyk@aol.com](mailto:patkopczyk@aol.com).

**Detroit Cooley High School Class of 1960**  
50th Reunion May 1 at Crown Plaza-Metro Airport. Call (248) 625-4598 or (734) 464-1692 for more information.

**Detroit Pershing Class of 1960**  
50th reunion festivities in September 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 (Mazy) at (734) 595-7508.

**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 [dblenn@aol.com](mailto:dblenn@aol.com).

**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@](mailto:GCHS.MCMLX@)

yahoo.com.  
**Garden City West Class of 1970**  
40th reunion on Saturday, Oct. 9 at Hawthorne Valley Country Club in Westland. Dinner and DJ included for \$50 per person. Classmates from the classes of 1968-1972 also invited to attend. For more information, call Larry Conn at (734) 788-5254.

**Oak Park High School Class of 1980**  
30th reunion, July 2-4; for information e-mail to [ophighschool1980@yahoo.com](mailto:ophighschool1980@yahoo.com).

**Redford Union Class of 1960**  
50-year reunion, 5:30 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 14. For more information contact Mike and Carol (Geroeff) Pontius (248) 446-9948 or e-mail to [mikecarol91500@att.net](mailto:mikecarol91500@att.net). Or call Tena (Fear) Keith at (248) 437-6827.

**Warren Fitzgerald Class of 1974**  
35-year reunion, 6 a.m.-midnight, March 20, at Crank's Enchantment Banquet Center, 46915 Hayes, at 21 Mile, in Shelby Township. Tickets are \$30. Call Louise DeLuca at (248) 496-8916 or Lisa Zienke, (586) 291-7998.

**West Bloomfield High School Class of 1980**  
Planning for a 30th reunion is underway. The main event will be held July 17 at Hotel Baronette in Novi. More events are being planned for the same weekend. For more information e-mail the reunion co-chairs, Lori (Hess) Conklin at [lconklin@conklin-systems.com](mailto:lconklin@conklin-systems.com) or Jill (Butts) Beaulac at [jjbeau@cox.net](mailto:jjbeau@cox.net).

If you have an item for the garden and nature calendar, submit it at least two weeks prior to the event to Sharon Dargay at [sdargay@hometownlife.com](mailto:sdargay@hometownlife.com).

**Livonia Garden Club**  
A representative of the Detroit Institute of Arts will present a slide show about flowers and other plants depicted in paintings at the DIA. The meeting will start at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 2, at the Livonia Senior Center, Five Mile and Farmington Roads. Visitors are welcome.

**At English Gardens**  
The English Gardens 8th Annual Orchid Festival Feb. 1-28 and includes these workshops and presentations:  
• Introduction to orchids, 1 p.m., Feb. 6; free.  
• Orchid basket workshop, 2:30 p.m., Feb. 6; \$29.99. Participants will create a basket filled with an orchid and an selection of green tropical plants.  
• More about orchids, 1 p.m., Feb. 13; free.  
• Orchid re-potting demonstration, 2:30 p.m., Feb. 13; free.

Other sessions next month include free presentations in starting seeds indoors at 1 p.m., Feb. 20 and fresh flower arranging at 1 p.m., Feb. 27. A Make It & Take It Workshop: Spring Bouquet will be held at 2:30 p.m., Feb. 27. It

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**Butterfly garden**  
Learn how to design a butterfly garden at the next meeting of the Southeast Michigan Butterfly Association (SEMBA), 7 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 17, at


the Nankin Mills Interpretive Center, 33175 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland. Find out which plants are best for attracting various species of butterfly to your yard. \$3 fee for non-members. Parking on Hines Drive and Ann Arbor Trail. (734) 326-0578 or [www.sembabutterfly.com](http://www.sembabutterfly.com)

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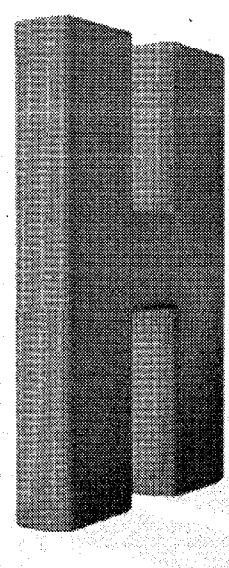
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ART

**Costick Center**  
**Time/Date:** Through Feb. 26  
**Location:** 28600 W. 11 Mile, in Farmington Hills  
**Details:** "Metallics: Photography by Janna Bissett"  
**Contact:** (248) 473-1856

**Lotus Arts Gallery**  
**Location:** 995 West Ann Arbor Trail, downtown Plymouth  
**Details:** Ronnie Wood is the artist of the month  
**Contact:** (888) 889-4ART (toll free) or (734)453-5400

**AUDITIONS**

**Costick Center**  
**Time/Date:** 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 7  
**Location:** 28600 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills  
**Details:** The Farmington Hills Youth Theatre auditions youth in grades 3-12, with or without previous experience, for the spring production of "Disney's Cinderella." Grades 3-4 audition 12:30 - 2 p.m., grades 5-7 audition 2-3:30 p.m., and grades 8-12 audition 3:30 - 5 p.m. Auditioning students should bring a recent school photo, otherwise photos taken at auditions will cost \$2. All other materials are supplied and nothing needs to be prepared in advance. Actors cast in the play will need to register and pay a program fee of \$135/residents or \$145/non-residents at the parent meeting 7-9 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 17. The fee includes costume cost. Class/rehearsal dates and times vary depending upon role. Show dates are April 29 - May 2  
**Contact:** 248-473-1859

**COMEDY**

**Go Comedy!**  
**Time/Date:** Various show times  
 Wednesdays thru Sundays  
**Location:** 261 E. Nine Mile, Ferndale  
**Details:** Improv most nights. Open mic/jam session show for improvisers is 10 p.m. Wednesdays  
**Contact:** (248) 327-0575; www.gocomedy.net

**JD's House of Comedy**  
**Time/Date:** Various show times  
 Wednesday-Saturday evenings  
**Location:** 25333 W. 12 Mile, inside Star Theatre complex, Southfield  
**Details:** Stand-up shows, 8 p.m. Thursday and 8 p.m., 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday; Apollo amateur night, 8 p.m. Wednesday  
**Contact:** (248) 348-2420 or www.tickmaster.com

**Jazz Cafe at Music Hall**  
**Time/Date:** 9 p.m. third Thursdays  
**Location:** 350 Madison Ave., Detroit  
**Details:** Show Up, and Go Up, open call, free w  
**Contact:** (313) 887-8532, www.themagicbag.com

**Music Hall Jazz Cafe**  
**Time/Date:** Ain't Misbehavin, Jan. 31; Open Jam Session, Feb. 2-3, 9-10, 16-17 and 23; Detroit Tonight Live with M.L. Liebler, Feb. 4; Tim Reeves, Feb. 5; Crowned Heads of Rhythm, Feb. 6; High Profile, Feb. 13; Ben's Friends, Feb. 18  
**Location:** 350 Madison, Detroit  
**Details:** No cover most shows; donation for Haiti fund-raiser; \$40 for Ain't Misbehavin' includes brunch;  
**Contact:** (313) 887-8500

**Sandra Nadig Auditorium**  
**Time/Date:** 7 p.m., Feb. 6  
**Location:** Saline Middle School, 7190 N. Maple, Saline  
**Details:** The Saline Fiddlers' 16th Annual Winter Hometown Concert, featuring guest artists, The Quebe Sisters Band. Tickets are \$15 and \$20  
**Contact:** (866) 257-5333, ext. 1

**Trinity House Theater**  
**Time/Date:** Peter Mulvey with Drew Nelson, 8 p.m., Feb. 6, tickets \$15, \$12 for subscribers; Jo Serrapere, 8 p.m., Feb. 12, tickets \$15, \$12 for subscribers; Erik Brandt and the Urban Hillbilly Quartet, 8 p.m., Feb. 13, tickets \$15, \$12 for subscribers; Cats and the Fiddler, 8 p.m., Feb. 19, tickets \$15, \$12 for subscribers; Mike Mangione and His Band, 8 p.m., Feb. 26, tickets \$12, \$9 for subscribers; Blue Water Ramblers, 8 p.m., Feb. 27, tickets \$12, \$9 for members  
**Location:** 38840 West Six Mile, Livonia  
**Contact:** (734) 464-6302, www.trinityhouse.org



The Blue Water Ramblers will perform Feb. 5 at the Village Theatre at Cherry Hill in Canton.

**Joe's Comedy Club of Livonia**  
**Time/Date:** 8 p.m. Mondays, Open Mic; 8 p.m. Tuesdays, Local Legends; 8 p.m. shows Wednesdays, Thursdays; 8 p.m. & 10:30 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays  
**Location:** 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia  
**Details:** Mike Green, Feb. 3-6; Steve McGew, Feb. 18-20; Ty Barnett, Feb. 25-27  
**Contact:** (734) 261-0555, www.kickercomplex.com

**Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle**  
**Time/Date:** Michael Loftus with observations on family, politics and life, Feb. 4-6; international comedy star Sugar Sammy, Feb. 11-13; Joe Starr's combination of comic storytelling and physical humor, Feb. 18-20; Denver native Phil Palisoul, Feb. 25-27  
**Location:** 269 E. Fourth, Royal Oak  
**Contact:** (248) 542-9900, www.comedycastle.com

**CONCERTS**

**The Ark**  
**Time/Date:** Matt Hires, Feb. 3; Malinky, Feb. 4; The RFD Boys, Feb. 5; Ralph Stanley & The Clinch Mt. Boys, Feb. 6; Back Forty, Feb. 7; Copper Box, Feb. 8; Jackie Greene, Feb. 9; Kitty Donohoe, Feb. 11; Girlyman, Feb. 12; Jill Jack Band, Feb. 13; My Folky Valentine with Annie & Rod Caps and more, Feb. 14; John Hammond, Feb. 17; Marc Cohn, Feb. 18; Terri Clark Unplugged and Alone, Feb. 19; Blackthorn, Feb. 21 - a fund-raiser for the American Cancer Society Action Network, Feb. 21  
**Location:** 316 South Main, Ann Arbor  
**Contact:** (734) 763-8587; www.theark.org

**Detroit Institute of Arts**  
**Time/Date:** Friday Night Live concerts, 7 and 8:30 p.m.  
**Location:** 5200 Woodward Ave  
**Contact:** (313) 833-7900, www.dia.org

**Village Theater at Cherry Hill**  
**Time/Date:** 8 p.m., Feb. 5  
**Location:** 50400 Cherry Hill Road in Canton  
**Details:** The Blue Water Ramblers perform a Century of Love Songs  
**Coming up:** Five Vegas quality vocalists will croon the classic standards of Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Nat King Cole, Ella Fitzgerald, Sammy Davis Jr. and Peggy Lee at "Salute to the Great American Songbook," 8 p.m., Friday, Feb. 12; tickets are \$20  
**Contact:** (734) 394-5460; cantonvillagetheater.org

**Hill Auditorium**  
**Time/Date:** Angela Hewitt on piano, 8 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 10, tickets \$10-\$50; banjo virtuoso Bela Fleck with The African Project, 8 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 17, \$10-\$50 tickets; Swedish Radio Choir, 4 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 21, \$10-\$50 tickets;  
**Location:** 825 N. University Avenue, Ann Arbor  
**Details:** University Musical Society events  
**Contact:** (734) 764-2538

**JWH Center for the Arts**  
**Time/Date:** 6:15-6:45 p.m., open mic sign up; performances, 7 p.m.  
**Location:** 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth  
**Details:** BaseLine Folk Society open mic is for acoustic, folk and traditional musicians. Admission is \$5. BaseLine Folk Society open mic runs every third Saturday of the month through May  
**Contact:** Mike Mullen, founder, mjmmullen@yahoo.com

**Magic Bag**  
**Time/Dates:** Cowboy Mouth & Junior Brown, Feb. 5  
**Location:** 22920 Woodward, Ferndale  
**Contact:** (248) 544-3030, www.themagicbag.com

**Marquis Theatre**  
**Time/Dates:** 2:30 p.m. all shows; Saturday, March 13, 20, 27, April 10, 17, 24 and May 1; Monday-Friday, April 5-9; and Sunday, March 14, 21, 28, April 11, 18, 25 and May 2  
**Location:** 135 E. Main, Northville  
**Details:** "Peter Cottontail," tickets, \$8.50, ages 3 and up  
**Contact:** (248) 349-8110, www.northvilliemarquistheatre.com

**Detroit Zoo**  
**Time/Date:** 10 a.m.-4 p.m. through March  
**Location:** I-696 service drive and Woodward, Royal Oak  
**Details:** Admission is \$11 for adults 15 to 61, \$9 for senior citizens 62 and older,

and \$7 for children ages 2 to 14; children under 2 are free. Wild Winter Weekends offer crafts, entertainment, educational experiences Feb. 6-7 and March 6-7  
**Contact:** (248) 541-5717

**Penn Theatre**  
**Time/Dates:** "Fantastic Mr. Fox," 7 p.m., Jan. 31  
**Location:** 760 Penniman Ave., Plymouth  
**Details:** \$3 admission  
**Coming up:** "The Men who Stare at Goats," 7 p.m. and 9 p.m., Feb. 5-6 and 3 p.m. and 5 p.m., Feb. 7  
**Contact:** (734) 453-0870. www.penntheatre.com

**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
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**SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. C-2009-23**

**REPEAL OF THE CRIMINAL CODE ORDINANCE**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BY REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 100, CODIFIED AS CHAPTER 51, THE CRIMINAL CODE ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

**SECTION I. REPEAL OF THE ORDINANCE.**

This section repeals Chapter 51, the Criminal Code Ordinance of the Charter Township of Plymouth Code of Ordinances, adopted as Ordinance No. 100.

**SECTION II. SEVERABILITY.**

This section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance.

**SECTION III. REPEAL.**

This section provides that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

**SECTION IV. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

This section provides that adoption of this Ordinance does not affect proceedings, prosecutions for violation of law, penalties and matured rights and duties in effect before the effective date of this Ordinance.

**SECTION V. PUBLICATION.**

This section provides that the Clerk for the Charter Township of Plymouth shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

**SECTION VI. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This section provides that this Ordinance shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law.

Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Plymouth, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, during regular business hours.

Joe Bridgman, CMC  
 Clerk

Introduced: December 15, 2009  
 Adopted: January 19, 2010  
 Effective: January 31, 2010

Publish: January 31, 2010

**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
 COUNTY OF WAYNE  
 CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH**

**SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. C-2009-27**

**REPEAL OF THE HANDICAPPER'S PARKING ORDINANCE**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BY REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 100, CODIFIED AS CHAPTER 91, THE HANDICAPPER'S PARKING ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

**SECTION I. REPEAL OF THE ORDINANCE.**

This section repeals Chapter 91, the Handicapper's Parking Ordinance of the Charter Township of Plymouth Code of Ordinances, adopted as Ordinance No. 100, codified as Chapter 91.

**SECTION II. SEVERABILITY.**

This section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance.

**SECTION III. REPEAL.**

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**AMENDMENT TO THE NOISE ORDINANCE**

**SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO: C-2009-29**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE PENALTY SECTION, CODIFIED AS SECTION 34.110 OF ORDINANCE NO. C-89-6, OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 34, THE NOISE CONTROL ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR PENALTY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

**SECTION I. AMENDMENT OF ORDINANCE.**

This section provides that the penalty section of this Ordinance is amended.

**34.110. Penalty.** This section provides that any person or entity that violates any provision of this Ordinance may, upon conviction, be fined not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or imprisoned not more than Ninety (90) days, or both, in the discretion of the court.

**SECTION II. SEVERABILITY.**

This section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance.

**SECTION III. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES.**

This section provides that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

**SECTION IV. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

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This section provides that the Clerk for the Charter Township of Plymouth shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

**SECTION VI. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This section provides that this Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law.

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**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
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**SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. C-2009-28**

**REPEAL OF THE PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION ORDINANCE**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BY REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 100, CODIFIED AS CHAPTER 28, THE PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

**SECTION I. REPEAL OF THE ORDINANCE.**

This section repeals Chapter 28, the Property Identification Ordinance of the Charter Township of Plymouth Code of Ordinances, adopted as Ordinance No. 100, codified as Chapter 28.

**SECTION II. SEVERABILITY.**

This section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance.

**SECTION III. REPEAL.**

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JAN. 31-FEB. 3

All Saints Catholic School

Time/Date: 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 31

Location: On Warren between Beck and Ridge Roads in Canton

Details: Open house; registering now for the 2010-2011 school year

Contact: (734) 459-2490, www.allsaintscs.com, or asc9@hotmail.com

Christ Our Savior Lutheran

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m., Sunday, Jan. 31

Location: 14175 Farmington Road, just north of I-96, Livonia

Details: Concert Choir and Honors Choir from Lutheran High School Westland will sing for the worship services

On radio: Listen to the church's pastor, Rev. Anthony Creeden, offer a message titled "Gifted" on "The Lutheran Hour," Sunday, Jan. 31. The show is broadcast weekly on more than 800 radio stations including WDFN (1130 AM) at 6:30 a.m.; WRDT (560 AM) at noon; WPOS (102.3 FM) at 7 a.m. and on XM Satellite Radio dial 170 at 1 p.m.

Contact: (734) 522-6830

First Presbyterian Church of

Farmington

Time/Date: 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 31

Location: 26165 Farmington Road at 11 Mile, Farmington Hills

Details: The deacons at the church offer a wellness seminar in response to the poor economy that is creating anxiety, depression, stress and desperation in many people. Paul Melrose, executive director of the Samaritan Counseling Center of Southeastern Michigan, will discuss how to work through this difficult time and relieve stress. The focus will be on ways to understand emotional and physical responses and to explore coping skills, including faith.

Contact: (248) 474-6170

St. Aidan Church

Time/Date: 1-7 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 31

Location: 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: Pasta dinner fund-raiser to benefit the earthquake victims in Haiti. All proceeds will benefit Catholic Relief Services. \$10 for adults; \$5 for children, 3-12; under 3 is free. Menu includes three kinds of pasta dishes, beverages, salad and rolls and desserts.

Contact: www.myclassicatering.com

FEB. 4-10

Christ Our Savior Lutheran

Time/Date: 7 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 9

Location: 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne County will hold an organizational meeting for its 2010 Apostles Build program. The program brings together any interested religious organizations in the community to sponsor and

help build a Habitat for Humanity home. Clergy, outreach directors and other lay leaders interested in involving their congregation in this local outreach program may attend.

Contact: Barb Fichtenberg at (734) 981-4205 or e-mail to bfichtenberg@hotmail.com

First United Methodist Church of Wayne

Time/Date: 4-7 p.m., Feb. 5

Location: 3 Town Square, Wayne

Details: A dinner fund-raiser for Haiti will include mostaccioli, salad, garlic bread, beverages and dessert, for a free will offering. The money raised at the dinner will go to United Methodist Committee On Relief, which works with many denominations to help the Haitian people. Everything - from paper plates to pasta - for the dinner fund-raiser is donated by the church and all proceeds will benefit Haiti. Helping Haiti comes naturally to the church. It sends school supply kits, hygiene kits, blankets and other items to the island nation every year.

Contact: (734) 721-4801

St. Michael the Archangel

Time/Date: 7 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 10

Location: 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, in Livonia

Details: WXYZ-TV reporter, weekend anchor, and former host of "Sunday Sports Update", Vic Faust, is the guest speaker at "Why Be Catholic," a new program series. Faust was joined the evangelistic fundamentalism

movement during his teen years. He shares the story of his return to the church, along with his wife and three young children, and the new insights he has found for living a Christian life in a secular world. No admission charge

Contact: (734) 261-1455, ext. 207

FEB. 11-17

First United Methodist Church

Time/Date: 4-7 p.m., Friday, beginning Feb. 12 and running through March 26

Location: 3 Town Square, across the street from the Wayne post office, in Wayne

Details: 4th Annual Fish Fry offers choice of baked or fried fish, french fries or baked potato, Cole slaw, roll and beverages, for \$8. A child's portion will be available. Fresh pie will be offered by the women's group for \$1 per slice. The money raised goes to help needy family's during the holiday season

Contact: (734) 891-2523

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 5:30-8 p.m. Feb. 12

Location: 28000 New Market Road, Farmington Hills

Details: All-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner includes a salad and ice cream bar. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$4 for youth ages 4-10 and under 4 free. Prince of Peace also will collect health kits for Haiti. Items include: soap, washcloth, towel, toothbrush and toothpaste, nail clippers and a comb. Contact: (248) 553-3380

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH TRAFFIC CODE

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. C-2009-22

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. C-2003-05, THE UNIFORM TRAFFIC CODE ORDINANCE; ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE UNIFORM TRAFFIC CODE FOR MICHIGAN CITIES, TOWNSHIPS AND VILLAGES AS WELL AS CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE MICHIGAN MOTOR VEHICLE CODE AND THE NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT; PROVIDING FOR A REVISION OF THE ADOPTION BY REFERENCE OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE CODE; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION BY REFERENCE OF THE MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY ACT, PUBLIC ACT 181 OF 1963; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION BY REFERENCE OF THE MOTOR CARRIER FUEL TAX AND PERMIT TRIP ACT, PUBLIC ACT 119 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1980; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL AND SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

SECTION I. AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE:

60.010. Adoption by Reference of the Uniform Traffic Code for Michigan Cities, Townships and Villages.

This section adopts by reference the Uniform Traffic Code for Michigan Cities, Townships and Villages.

60.020. Adoption by Reference of Provisions of the Michigan Motor Vehicle Code.

The section adopts by reference provisions of the Michigan Motor Vehicle Code

60.030. Adoption by Reference of Provisions of the Michigan Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act.

This section adopts by reference provisions of the Michigan Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act.

60.040. Adoption by Reference of the Motor Carrier Safety Act.

This section adopts by reference the Motor Carrier Safety Act.

60.050. Adoption by Reference of the Motor Carrier Fuel Tax and Permit Trip Act.

This section adopts by reference the Motor Carrier Fuel Tax and Permit Trip Act.

60.060. Citations.

This section provides that the MCL section number shall be used as the section number for issuing a citation for violation of the State Act sections.

60.070. Penalties; Municipal Civil Infraction.

This section provides for Municipal Civil Infraction penalties.

60.080. Penalty; Motor Vehicle Code.

This section provides for Motor Vehicle Code penalties.

60.090. Penalty.

This section provides that any person or entity that violates any provision of this Ordinance may, upon conviction, be fined not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or imprisoned not more than Ninety (90) days, or both, in the discretion of the court.

SECTION II. SEVERABILITY.

This section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance.

SECTION III. REPEAL.

This section provides that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION IV. SAVINGS CLAUSE.

This section provides that adoption of this Ordinance does not affect proceedings, prosecutions for violation of law, penalties and matured rights and duties in effect before the effective date of this Ordinance.

SECTION V. PUBLICATION.

This section provides that the Clerk for the Charter Township of Plymouth shall publish this Ordinance in the manner required by law, and shall at the same time publish a supplementary notice setting forth the purpose of the said Uniform Traffic Code and of the fact that a complete copy of the code is available at the office of the Clerk for inspection by the public at all times.

SECTION VI. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance shall take full force and effect on January 31, 2010, provided it shall have been published as required by law.

Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Plymouth, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, during regular business hours.

Joe Bridgman, CMC Clerk

Introduced: December 15, 2009 Adopted: January 19, 2010 Effective: January 31, 2010

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. C-2009-24

AMENDMENT TO GENERAL PROVISIONS ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. C-2003-06, OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH CODE OF ORDINANCES, CODIFIED AS CHAPTER 1, THE GENERAL PROVISIONS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF CODE; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENT PROCEDURE, PUBLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION; PROVIDING FOR CONTENTS OF CODE; PROVIDING FOR SHORT TITLE, HEADINGS AND RESPONSIBILITY; PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR TITLE OF OFFICER TO INCLUDE DEPUTY OR SUBORDINATE; PROVIDING FOR TENSE/GENDER; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL AND SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

SECTION I. AMENDMENT OF ORDINANCE.

This section provides that Ordinance No. C-2003-06, codified as Chapter 1, the General Provisions Ordinance is hereby amended to read as follows:

Chapter I General Provisions\*

This section provides that the within Ordinance Code was adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Plymouth pursuant to Act 144, Public Acts of 1969, State of Michigan, and ordered printed.

1.010. Publication and distribution of code. This section provides for publication and distribution of the Code.

1.020. Amendment procedure. This section provides for amendment procedures.

1.030. Publication and distribution of amendments. This section provides for publication and distribution of amendments to the Code.

1.040. Contents of code. This section provides for contents of the Code.

1.050. Short title. This section provides that this ordinance may be known and cited as the iPlymouth Charter Township Code.

1.060. Headings. This section provides that no provision of this Code shall be held invalid by reason of deficiency in any Chapter or Section heading.

1.070. Responsibility. This section provides for responsibility.

1.080. Definitions. This section provides the definitions for terms used in this Chapter.

1.090. Title of officer to include deputy or subordinate. This section provides that the title of officer shall mean and include such officer or his deputy or authorized subordinate.

1.100. Tense/gender. This section provides that except as otherwise specifically provided all words used in this Code indicating the present tense shall not be limited to time of adoption of this Code and any words denoting masculine gender shall include the feminine gender.

1.110. Notice. This section provides for service of notice.

1.120. Penalty. This section provides for penalties.

1.130. Severability. This section provides for the legislative intent of the Board in adopting this Code.

1.140. Effective date. This section provides for the effective date.

SECTION II. SEVERABILITY.

This section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance.

SECTION III. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES.

This section provides that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION IV. SAVINGS CLAUSE.

This section provides that adoption of this Ordinance does not affect proceedings, prosecutions for violation of law, penalties and matured rights and duties in effect before the effective date of this Ordinance.

SECTION V. PUBLICATION.

This section provides that the Clerk for the Charter Township of Plymouth shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

SECTION VI. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This section provides that this Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law.

Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Plymouth, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, during regular business hours.

Joe Bridgman, CMC Clerk

Introduced: December 15, 2009 Adopted: January 19, 2010 Effective: January 31, 2010

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF THE UNIFORM TRAFFIC CODE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the provisions of Act 62 of the Public Acts of 1956, State of Michigan, the Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships and Villages was adopted by reference by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth on the 19th day of January, 2010:

The purpose of such Code is to regulate the operation of vehicles, to provide for the regulation and use of streets, highways and alleys and other public and semi-public places within the Charter Township of Plymouth and to provide penalties for the violation of said Code.

A complete copy of the Uniform Traffic Code is available at the office of the Clerk of the Charter Township of Plymouth, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, for inspection by the public at all times.

No further or additional publication of the Uniform Traffic Code is required or contemplated.

Dated: January 25, 2010

Joe Bridgman, CMC Plymouth Township Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

REPEAL OF SCHOOL REGULATIONS ORDINANCE

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. C-2009-19

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 100, CODIFIED AS CHAPTER 57, THE SCHOOL REGULATIONS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. REPEAL OF THE SCHOOL REGULATIONS ORDINANCE.

This section provides that the School Regulations Ordinance of the Charter Township of Plymouth is repealed.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY.

This section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance.

SECTION 3. REPEAL.

This section provides that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION 4. SAVINGS CLAUSE.

This section provides that adoption of this Ordinance does not affect proceedings, prosecutions for violation of law, penalties and matured rights and duties in effect before the effective date of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. PUBLICATION.

This section provides that the Clerk for the Charter Township of Plymouth shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This section provides that this Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law.

Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Plymouth, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, during regular business hours.

Joe Bridgman, CMC Clerk

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# HEALTH & FITNESS

## Keynote speaker offers tips to relieve fatigue, stay healthy

BY SHARON DARGAY  
OGE STAFF WRITER

Mary Ann Bauman tells her patients good emotional health is essential for physical well-being — including a disease-free heart.

"I think so often women are so busy taking care of others that they don't take care of themselves," said Bauman, medical director for Women's Health and Community Relations at INTEGRIS Health Inc., in Oklahoma City, Ok. "If you're emotionally not feeling well, you physically won't feel well."

The Michigan native, author and MD specializing in internal medicine, will bring her message about the "mind-body connection" to the Go Red

for Women campaign next month.

The American Heart Association kicks off its Go Red campaign Monday with a week-

long series of events designed to raise awareness about heart disease and women. According to the organization, cardiovascular disease kills approximately 450,000 women each year — about one every minute. More women die of cardiovascular disease than the next five causes of death combined. And although 90 percent of women have one or more risk factors for developing heart disease, only one in five women believe it's her greatest health threat. Yet 80 percent of cardiac events in women can be prevented by making heart healthy lifestyle choices involving diet, exercise and avoiding cigarette use.

Bauman, who will give the



keynote address at the Go Red luncheon and fund-raiser next month, adds good mental and spiritual health to that list.

### HEART HEALTHY ADVOCATE

"We're excited to have her join us," said Melissa Thrasher,

communications director for the American Heart Association in southeastern Michigan. "She is inspirational and comes across in clear language."

Bauman, a Wayne State University School of Medicine

graduate and author of the book, *Fight Fatigue: Six Simple Steps to Maximize Your Energy*, has worked in preventative health care for some 30 years and been involved with the American Heart Association since the early

1990s. The former Harper Woods resident has spoken at Go Red luncheons across the country, and will deliver her health message to Detroit's Go Red audience on Feb. 24 at the Marriott in the Renaissance Center.

"Helping your emotional state helps your physical state," Bauman said, in a telephone interview last week. "I wrote the book and everyone thought it was about diet and exercise, but it really is about looking at relationships, setting appropriate boundaries. But so often women run themselves ragged."

"I had one woman who had a heart attack on Christmas Eve. She was in her 60s and her daughter said 'My mother needed a wife. A wife would have paid attention and gotten her to the doctor.' Women don't think heart disease can happen to them even when they have risk factors."

Bauman said women need to recognize the connection between mental and physical health, identify appropriate lifestyle changes and then take steps to put their insight into action.

She suggests tackling those changes in "small chunks" every day, whether that's walking 20 minutes around the living room or making a heart healthy meal once a day.

"I tell women they have to make it a priority and put it on the calendar like other things. I tell people make it simple. If you can't be at the gym at 5 a.m., you won't be," said Bauman, who is married and has two step-sons and a daughter.

"If you set yourself up with goals that are easy to accomplish what you'll find is that you're doing it more and more."

Tickets to the Go Red for Women luncheon are \$250. In addition to Bauman's presentation, the event, from 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. will include a fashion show, health seminars, silent auction and lunch. For more information call Shelley Rusinek at (248) 936-5807 or [www.goredforwomen.org](http://www.goredforwomen.org).

### GO RED FOR WOMEN EVENTS

The American Heart Association kicks off its Go Red for Women campaign with these Go Red Week events:

- Pamper Party and Jewel Kade Showcase, 6 p.m., Monday, Feb. 1, at Gjetto's Salon & Day Spa, Fountain Walk, 4432513 Mile, Novi. Participants will enjoy a "girly" evening with complimentary red manicure, heart healthy snacks and the American Heart Association charm, designed by Jewel Kade, available for purchase. Proceeds benefit the Association.

- At 7 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 3, Body Language, 1567 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township, offers an hour-long Zumba class, "Zumba for my Heart" T-shirt, red boa, Go Red calendar and other goodies for \$30 entry fee. RSVP is required at (248) 360-5350.

- Join local celebrities for an evening of stir fry, prizes and fun at bd's Mongolian Grill, 42089 Ford Road, Canton. Tickets aren't required, but participants are encouraged to arrive early. For more information visit [www.GoMonggo.com](http://www.GoMonggo.com)

- The American Heart Association urges men and women to wear red on National Wear Red Day, Friday, Feb. 5.

- Go Red Girlfriend Cooking Class starts at 6:30 p.m., Friday, Feb. 5 in the demonstration kitchen at Henry Ford Hospital in West Bloomfield. Cost is \$39 for a heart healthy demonstration, take-home

recipes and a full meal. Register at (248) 325-3890 or e-mail to [ck@hfhs.org](mailto:ck@hfhs.org)

- For the second year in a row the American Heart Association will attempt to create the "Largest Red Dress" in the parking lot of Macy's at Oakland Mall, 412 E. 14 Mile, between I-75 and John R in Troy. Participants will receive red pom-poms, megaphones and more. They'll line up along the outline of a giant dress, beginning at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 6 and will be included in a photograph for possible inclusion in *Guinness World Records*. The event ends at 1 p.m.

- If you have a personal story about heart disease, want to share tips about healthy lifestyle changes or simply feel passionate about the cause, visit the Go Red for Women Casting Call event, 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, at Macy's in Oakland Mall, 412 E. 14, Troy. Participants will be interviewed on camera for a chance to be the next face of the Go Red for Women campaign. For more details visit [www.heart.org/MichiganCastingCalls](http://www.heart.org/MichiganCastingCalls).

- The Plymouth Whalers hockey team will encourage fans to wear red to their game against Owen Sound, 7:05 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 6 at Compuware Ice Arena, 14900 N. Beck, Plymouth. The event will include a special recognition of survivors with celebrity guests. For tickets visit [www.plymouthwhalers.com](http://www.plymouthwhalers.com).

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Feb 1, Mon.	6:30pm	St. John Macomb Oakland Hospital, Auditorium — Warren, MI	866-501-DOCS
Feb 1, Mon.	5:00pm	Allegiance Health, Ella Sharp Museum — Detroit, MI	517-782-0500
Feb 1, Mon.	6:30pm	St. John Medical Center, Main Campus — Detroit, MI	1-877-346-7993
Feb 2, Tues.	5:30pm	St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital Ann Arbor — Ypsilanti, MI	734-712-3456
Feb 3, Wed.	12 pm	St. Joseph Mercy Oakland Hospital, Franco Auditorium — Pontiac, MI	1-800-372-6094
Feb 3, Wed.	6:30pm	Port Huron Hospital, Duffy Classroom — Port Huron, MI	1-800-228-1484
Feb 4, Thurs.	6:30pm	Oakwood Southshore Hospital, Nasir Auditorium — Trenton, MI	1-800-543-WELL
Feb 4, Thurs.	6:30pm	Crittenton Hosp. & Medical Center, Medical Aud. — Rochester Hills, MI	248-652-5269
Feb 8, Mon.	6:30pm	St. John Medical Center, Main Campus — Detroit, MI	1-877-346-7993
Feb 8, Mon.	6:30pm	Providence Hospital, Fisher Auditorium — Southfield, MI	866-501-DOCS
Feb 8, Mon.	5:00pm	Chelsea Community Hospital, Main Dining Room — Chelsea, MI	734-475-3913
March 4, Mon.	6:30pm	Crittenton Hosp. & Medical Center, Medical Aud. — Rochester Hills, MI	248-652-5269

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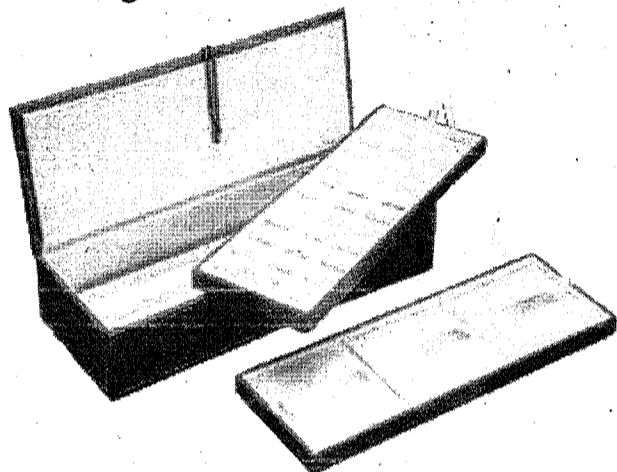
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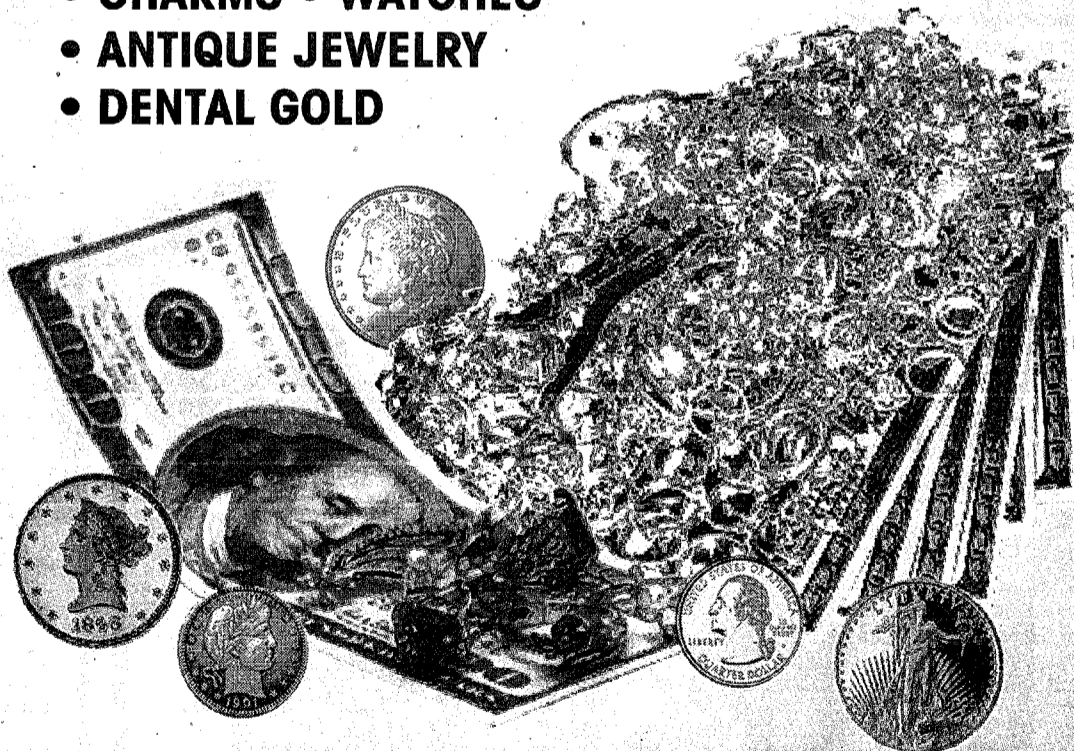
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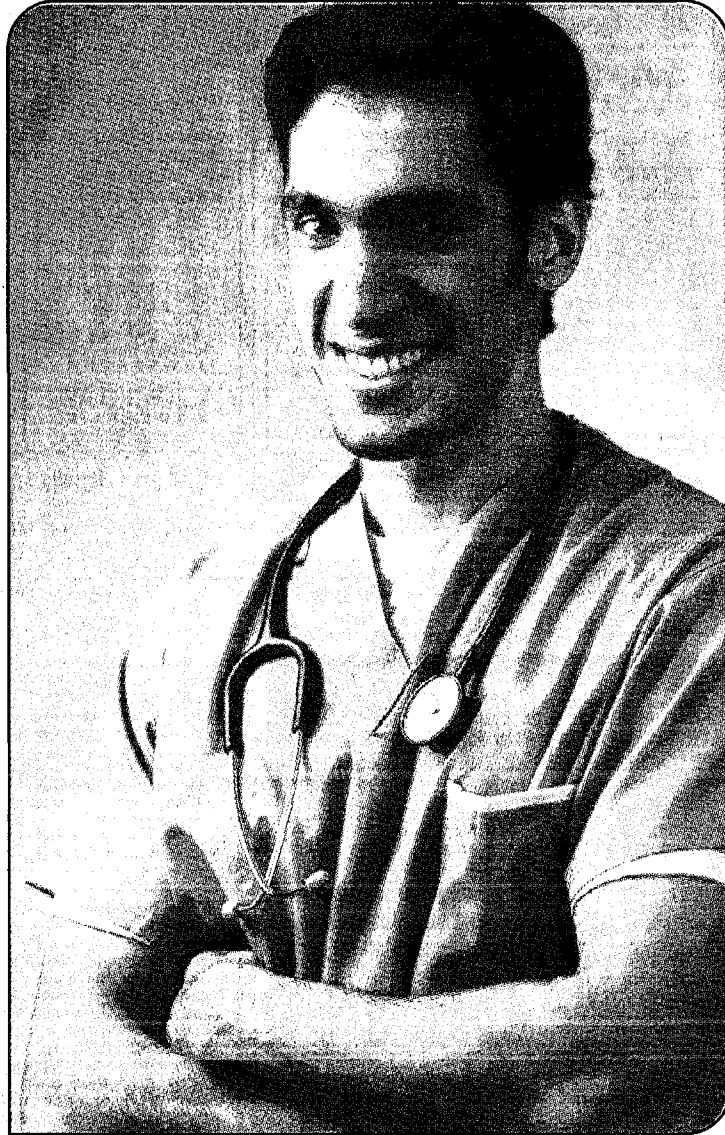
## 7 Jobs in Health Care That Require Moderate Training

**Anthony Balderrama**  
CareerBuilder.com writer

No job is guaranteed to last forever, but certain industries offer more hope for longevity, an especially attractive quality these days. The health-care industry employed 14 million workers in 2006, making it the largest sector in the nation, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Its outlook is promising, with the potential to add 3 million new jobs between 2006 and 2016.

Many jobs in health care require an extensive education that combines formal schooling with on-the-job training. Naturally, you want surgeons to have several years of practice before they begin operating on patients. You might be surprised to learn how many jobs – none of which allows you to perform a transplant, thankfully – you can find in health care with a moderate amount of formal training.

Here are seven jobs in health care that offer plenty of on-the-job training or require less than a bachelor's degree. Not only do these jobs allow you to work in a thriving field, but you also have the satisfaction of helping someone's well-being.



command of grammar and possess excellent communication skills. Knowledge of medical terminology, procedures and insurance practices also helps.  
**Salary:** \$28,950

### Medical records and health information technicians

**What they do:** Ensure that patient records are complete and accurate. They review medical charts and other documents that need to be on file regarding the patient's medical history.

**Training:** An associate degree is standard, although relevant health-care experience or status as a registered health information technician improves job opportunities.  
**Salary:** \$29,290

### Physical therapist aides

**What they do:** Prepare the physical therapy site for a patient's treatment and assist with other duties that a physical therapist or a physical therapist assistant requests.

**Training:** On-site training is typical, though related education is helpful.  
**Salary:** \$22,990

### Personal and home care aides

**What they do:** Help patients live comfortably in their own homes or in a live-in facility that is not a hospital or institution. Their patients can range from elderly individuals to people with disabilities.

**Training:** On-the-job training is standard, although some states and employers require further education, which you can obtain from a vocational school or community college.  
**Salary:** \$18,480

*Anthony Balderrama is a writer and blogger for CareerBuilder.com. He researches and writes about job search strategy, career management, hiring trends and workplace issues.*

### Pharmacy technicians

**What they do:** Perform administrative tasks in pharmacies and assist pharmacists preparing medication for patients.

**Training:** No nationwide regulations for a pharmacy technician's education exist, so each state has its own guidelines. Certification and formal training are definitely positives for job seekers, but expect plenty of on-the-job training as well.  
**Salary:** \$26,720

### Medical transcriptionists

**What they do:** Transcribe audio recordings made by doctors and

other medical staff. The recordings are often of medical reports or notes that need to be formally documented.

**Training:** Transcriptionists can obtain certification, which helps employment opportunities. Depending on the employer, adequate course work or an associate degree in a relevant field can qualify you for a job.  
**Salary:** \$31,250

### Clinical laboratory technicians

**What they do:** Perform various tasks – ranging from collecting blood

samples to preparing tissue samples – in a clinical lab.

**Training:** An associate degree or certification is preferred by most employers, but expect plenty of on-the-job training as well.  
**Salary:** \$34,270

### Medical secretaries

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**Training:** Requirements vary, but all secretaries should have a strong

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If you're looking for a family hauler but don't want to think about buying a stodgy minivan or an SUV, the Ford Flex is the perfect alternative. The Flex is big enough to haul seven people, but it's no minivan; it's way too cool for that.

The Flex is burning up the family hauler category and it's easy to see why: Minivans have been popular with families for decades. Add a couple of kids and their friends and most families usually need something bigger than an average sedan or even SUV.

Minivans, SUVs and later, crossovers, gave families the room they needed.

But all that roominess came with an ugly downside: Extra passenger space was sacrificed for cool points most of the time. So, while you may have seven passenger seating, it probably wasn't a vehicle that you'd buy if you weren't looking for extra room.

Unfortunately, no matter how many bells and whistles that are added on a minivan, they usually don't get cool points. Enter the Ford Flex. It's a crossover — undoubtedly one of the coolest we've seen on the market.

The Flex isn't a minivan, but it's the next best thing to one as a crossover with a funky box shape and enough room to get a family around. It's unique, and you won't find the same type of vehicle on every street corner and car pool lane. It's a vehicle that, gasp!, you'll probably like driving even if you don't have a family.

The Flex is anything but a soccer mom's minivan: It's cool, manly, chic even. With its low profile, tri-bar chrome grill and optional two-tone roof, you'll be comfortable in the Flex whether you're a college kid or a mom with a couple of college kids.

The Flex has enough room for most families, with a roomy cabin that easily fits

seven people. It offers a refined riding experience and unique styling that makes the Flex stand out among the homogeneous sea of minivans and crossover SUVs on the market.

If you're looking for unique styling, this is it.

If you're looking for a good ride, the Flex is it. New this year, the Flex adds an Eco Boost V-6 engine. The twin-turbocharged engine features great fuel economy with plenty of power. Add the Flex's roomy, high-quality cabin that seats seven, and you've got a great vehicle.

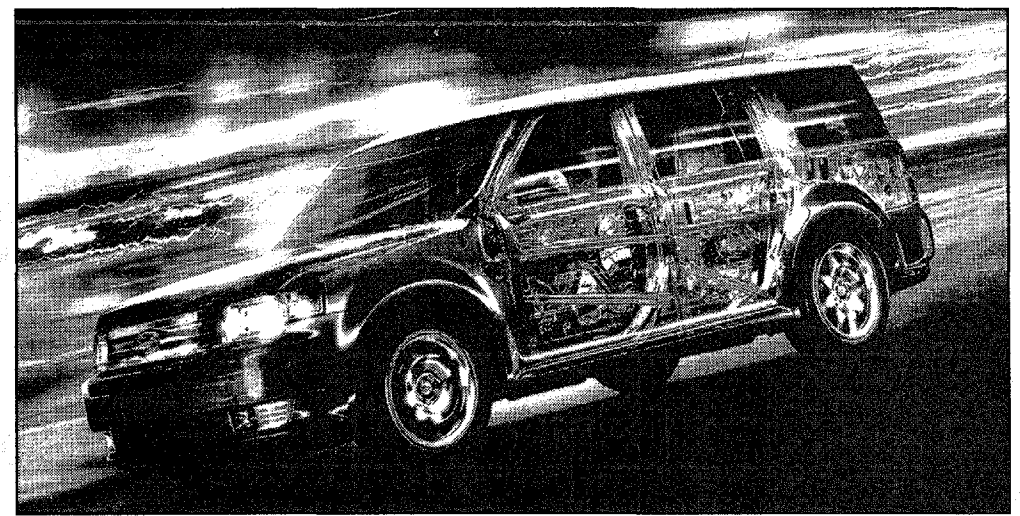
The Flex is available in SE, SEL and Limited trims. With a refined ride, stellar safety scores, high-tech features and powerful engine, the Flex is a vehicle that stands out from the pack.

The Eco Boost is turbocharged with plenty of power. Still, just because there's more power, it doesn't mean you miss out in fuel economy. The Flex is a leader in fuel economy, with 17 city and 24 highway on the front wheel drive model.

That's impressive considering all the power that comes under the hood. The Eco Boost comes with 355-horsepower and boasts a V-6 engine with nearly 100 more horsepower than the base V-6.

That's not to say the V-6 isn't good; it is with 262 hp and 248 pound-feet of torque. But the Boost adds so much more with a turbo-charged engine. It's practical with enough horsepower to get you around town.

This is the second model year for the Flex, and Ford listened and tweaked a few things for the 2010 model. This year, the Flex adds a telescopic steering wheel. SYNC is standard on the SEL and the Limited includes a navigation system and Sony Stereo. A power folding second-row bench comes standard.



If you're looking for unique styling and a good ride, Flex is it.

The Flex provides plenty of options, space, safety and style, all wrapped up into one package. Even if you turn your nose down at driving a minivan, the Flex may be something you may want to consider. It's nothing like driving a "mom's" minivan, yet it's got plenty of family features and appeal.

That's not to say the V-6 isn't good; it is with 262 horsepower and 248 pound-feet of torque. But the Boost adds so much more with a turbo-charged engine. It's practical with enough horsepower to get you around town.

The base SE comes with plenty of standards: 17-inch alloy wheels, automatic headlights, fog lamps, rear parking sensors, keyless entry and an exterior access code pad, cruise control, automatic climate control, eight-way-driver and two-way-passenger power front seats, a tilt-telescoping steering wheel, a 60/40-split-folding second row and a 50/50 split-folding third row.

Buy the SEL and you get even more goodies: 18-inch wheels, dual-zone automatic climate controls, heated front seats, six-way power passenger seat, wood trim and the SYNC electronics interface system (optional on SE, includes Bluetooth and iPod control).

Or, you can load your Flex up with options such as second-row captain's chairs, contrasting roof colors and turbocharged V-6 and a DVD system on the SEL and Limited. The Limited also adds 20-inch wheel and a fridge in the center console.

The Flex has safety features such as anti-lock brakes, front, side and curtain air bags, and rear parking sensors. The Flex performed superbly in government crash tests with a five-star rating in front and side category testing. It has done so well that the Insurance Institute

for Highway Safety gave the Flex its best rating of "good" in frontal and side impact tests.

For those who are concerned about safety, these ratings should make anyone feel more confident. You don't have to sacrifice safety, "coolness" or seating capacity when you buy the Flex.

From the outside, the Flex doesn't look like it has exceptionally roomy seating. But inside, it's got enough room for seven people — true, seven-passenger seating for adults. An optional reclining second row captain's chairs whittle the seating capacity down to six, but it's more comfortable.

Overall, the Flex holds 83 cubic feet inside. That's less than some minivans, but the Flex's boxy shape gives you more room to squeeze things in.

This year, Ford made a few noticeable improvements to the Flex. It added a tilted, telescopic steering wheel that makes it easier to drive if you're on the taller side. Before, it was a bit uncomfortable for taller passengers to take the wheel.

It also re-did the front headrests to make them more comfortable; before they pushed forward.

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