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Senator honored

State Sen. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, was honored at a recent Sumpter Township Board meeting. Supervisor Johnny Vawters presented Patterson with a plaque that described the gratitude of the people of Sumpter Township for more than 15 years of service to the community.

Patterson has been serving western Wayne County since he was elected to the Wayne County Commission in 1995 and served there until 1998. He then went on to serve two terms in the Michigan House of Representatives from 1999 to 2001, after which he was elected as senator and has served since 2002.

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Jazz @ the Elks

The Elks host an outdoor jazz concert, featuring a variety of jazz legends, Sunday, Aug. 22, 2-6 p.m. The lineup includes Ron Kischuk at 2 p.m., with the Tartarsauce Traditional Jazz Band, Judie Cochill, vocalist. At 3 p.m., jazz legend George (Sax) Benson Quartette plays. The Sven Anderson Trio with vocalist Janet Tenaj appears at 4 p.m. and the concert wraps up at 5 p.m. with the John Trudell Quintette and a surprise vocalist.

This event takes place rain or shine on the grounds of the Plymouth Elks on Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth just west of Haggerty. There is no cover charge, and food and refreshments will be available for purchase.

Fall Fest cars

The Plymouth Fall Festival car show will feature antique and classic cars from 1980 and older Sept. 11-12, with a Cruz Night Sept. 10, in downtown Plymouth.

Cost for pre-registration (before Sept. 10) is \$10 for one day, \$15 for both. Registration at the show costs 415 for one day, \$20 for two. Registration forms can be found online at www.plymouthfallfestival.com. Mailed forms must be received by Sept. 8.

For more information call Chris Guiriere (734) 756-7781.

Schools seek help with master plan

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education members and administrators are hoping lightning can strike twice.

Months after getting a health dose of assistance from members of the community in preparing the district's 2010-11 budget, officials are looking for more help from residents as they work to refine and develop a master plan for the direction of the district going forward.

In revising the district's mission and vision statements, Supt. Dr. Craig Fiegel and his staff are looking for considerable input from the community.

"Getting the community involved is critical," Fiegel said. "We need to understand that our schools belong to the community, and (residents') perspective is critical to how we move forward in the future."

Fiegel and his staff have broadened and expanded both the mission and vision statements, moving things around and trying to set a course for the district to better serve its students

in the future.

For instance, the current mission statement states simply the district is "dedicated to providing educational opportunities for each student to achieve personal excellence and to become a productive contributing citizen."

The proposed language expands on that concept a little, adding such a goal will be accomplished by "ensuring each student receives comprehensive instruction, innovative programs and learning opportunities that develop the whole student intellectually, per-

sonally and socially."

The proposed language moves discussion of "partnership with the community" into the vision statement, which now incorporates elements such as "culturally relevant inclusive learning environment" and "a comprehensive program from which our students will graduate with the skills necessary to be a contributing member in a global society," among other tenets (the full text can be found on the district's website at www.pccs.k12.mi.us).

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New team in town

Plymouth Christian senior tackle Josh Allen tries to open up some running room for a teammate during Thursday's scrimmage at Oakland Christian. The Eagles are beginning their first season as a bonafide high school varsity program after being a club team in recent years. For the preview, please turn to B1.

Big step: First Step to build new housing facility

BY SUE MASON
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The ceremonial first shovelfuls of dirt may have been turned over for the new emergency residential housing First Step will add to its Family Center in Wayne, but help is still needed.

Formerly known as First Step: Western and Downriver Wayne County Project on Domestic and Sexual Violence, the Plymouth-based nonprofit is still looking for in-kind and financial donations to com-

plete the \$5.5 million project which will be built behind its Family Center on 4400 Venoy at Annapolis in Wayne.

"People who need help won't come to an old, dark building, they'll be able to stay in a building that matches the spirit of the program," said Theresa Bizoe, associate director of First Step. "It's just incredible all of the little things that have come together for this."

The organization has raised \$4.5 million, due in large

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Among dignitaries manning the shovels for First Step's ground breaking ceremony were First Step's executive director Judy Ellis (right) and Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano (second from right). Also helping were Loren and David Treadwell who chaired the Capital Campaign, Karen Colina Wilson, and Jennifer Hartke.

Ex-scout leader bound over on sex charges

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A 49-year-old former Boy Scout leader faces trial after a 35th District Court judge Friday bound him over on a variety of charges he used his position to coerce two teens into criminal sexual conduct.

Judge Michael Gerou decided after several hours of testimony there was enough evidence to send William Hoefling to Wayne County Circuit Court for trial. Hoefling, the former scoutmaster of a Boy Scout troop based at Our Lady of Good Counsel School in Plymouth, faces a Sept. 3 arraignment at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice in Detroit.

He faces one count of child sexually abusive activity, a 20-year felony, two charges of fourth-degree criminal sexual conduct, each a two-year felony, and a variety of charges of using the Internet to commit a crime and distributing sexually explicit images or activity.

The criminal sexual conduct charges were reduced from second degree because the victim was 16 when the alleged incidents occurred.

"The defendant was in a superior position to the Scouts involved," Gerou said. "There was a pattern of secrecy involved. The prosecutor's comments ... were sufficient" to warrant binding the case over.

Hoefling, who remained free on bond, is accused of inappropriate conduct with a 16-year-old member of his troop. The victim testified Friday that Hoefling, who had been an assistant scoutmaster in the troop before assuming the scoutmaster position, had supplied him with alcohol on several occasions and had, on two separate occasions, touched him inappropriately.

The first incident, the victim testified, happened in August 2009 in the parking lot at the Canton Meijer. Hoefling, the victim testified, had picked him up at the Plymouth District Library and driven to the Meijer, where they shopped for alcohol and Hoefling, the teen testified, agreed to pay for it.

While sitting in the defendant's van, the boy said, Hoefling began "rubbing my back ... my chest and stomach" before fondling him.

The two exchanged a variety of e-mails and Facebook messages

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Nature/nurture

Dr. Mark Huston will return to the Plymouth District Library on Tuesday, Aug. 24, at 7 p.m. for "The Philosophy of Science and the Nature/Nurture Debate."

An instructor from Schoolcraft College, Huston returns as part of the Library's Exploring Philosophy series.

Sign-up is requested for this free program by phone at (734) 453-0750, Ext. 4 or on-line at plymouthlibrary.org

Couch to 5k

Anyone thinking about taking up running take note: There's a free beginners running group available in downtown Plymouth.

The group meets 8 a.m. Sundays starting Aug. 29 and will run until Oct. 3.

This free group class will start in front of Core Sport on Penniman every Sunday for six

weeks. The group starts with a jog/walk interval training system designed by Couch to 5K program. Many participants have successfully run a full 5k after this beginner program.

The run and run/walk averages about 30 minutes, and time is taken to guide the group through stretches.

For more information or to sign up e-mail pilatesteacher@hotmail.com or call (734) 459-1547.

Montessori openings

Plymouth-Canton Montessori School is continuing fall enrollment throughout August. Preschool, kindergarten and extended day kindergarten programs are available for children between the ages of 3-6 years old. The school is located at 45245 Joy Road in Canton, and fall classes are scheduled to begin Wednesday, Sept. 8.

In addition to its preschool and kindergarten programs, PCMS provides before and after school day care, and a summer program that

includes lots of arts and crafts, in-house presenters, science experiments, dramatic play, cooking, picnics, outdoor time, music, stories and games.

For enrollment information or to schedule a school tour, call (734) 459-1550 or visit www.pcmontessori.org.

Orchestra auditions

The Celebration Youth Orchestras, a sponsored project of the Plymouth Symphony, will be holding auditions for the 2010-2011 season on Friday, Aug. 27, at Evola Music on Haggerty in Canton.

Under the direction of conductor Nan Washburn, the Celebration Youth Orchestras provide a unique, enriching and exciting musical experience for aspiring young players throughout southeast Michigan, especially in Plymouth, Canton, Northville, Novi, Belleville, and Westland.

The CYO currently offers a full program of three orchestras and a flute choir, workshops and master classes with prominent guest soloists and

composers, as well as yearly side-by-side performances with the professional musicians of the Plymouth Symphony and Orchestra Canton.

Anyone interested in auditioning should contact Jane Libbing at the Plymouth Canton Symphony Orchestras office at (734) 451-2112 or e-mail her at jane@plymouthsymphony.org. Check out the CYO website at www.celebrationyouthorchestras.org.

Preschool openings

Plymouth Christian Preschool, a division of Plymouth Christian Academy, has openings for 3-year-olds, 4-year-olds, and young 5-year-olds for the 2010-2011 school year. Check the school's website for information about preschool, kindergarten, elementary, or secondary programs, and call the school office to request a tour of the facilities.

Plymouth Christian Academy is located in Canton on Joy Road between Lilley Road and Morton Taylor/Main Street. For more information, check the website at www.plymouthchristian.org or call (734) 459-3505.

Fall Fest crafts

The Plymouth Fall Festival is accepting applications for the Craft Show, which takes place during the Fall Festival Sept. 10-12.

The show will be on Union Street north of Ann Arbor Trail; 10-foot-by-10-foot spaces will cost \$75 per day or \$200 for the weekend. The jewelry vendor



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Brice Miedema drove to Florida Aug. 12 and grabbed his Plymouth Observer out of the driveway on his way out. Here's what he had to say about the trip: "Sitting on the beach in Hutchinson Island is the first time I read about sending in vacation photos. So I had my wife, Celeste Miedema (nee Maly), take this photo. Celeste, I might add, grew up in Plymouth and lived on Evergreen, Arthur, and then Auburn. She went to Our Lady of Good Counsel grade school and was a member of OLG. I grew up in Grosse Pointe and always thought I would live there, but after living in Plymouth I'm never going back to the east side. Today we live on Greenbrook in the Lakepointe sub in Plymouth Township and love it."

application deadline has passed. All other vendors are awarded spots on a first come-basis.

Applications can be downloaded at www.plymouthfallfestival.com or for more information call or e-mail Colleen Brown at (734) 455-1614 or cbrown57@comcast.net.

Class reunions

The Plymouth High School Class of 1970 holds its 30-year reunion Saturday, Sept. 11, at the Plymouth Elks Club. Cost

is \$25 per person. For more information visit www.plymouthclassof1970.com or Cathwage@med.umich.edu or call Cathy Wagenschutz at (734) 453-7939.

The Plymouth High School Class of 1955 holds its reunion 5-11 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 18, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, in Plymouth.

Cost is \$45 per person. For more information, contact Terry West at twest@rosemoving.com or call (248) 473-8988.

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Service corps paints mural as way of saying thank you

BY SUE MASON
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When fifth-sixth-graders walk through the doors of Farmington Elementary School on the first day of school, they'll be greeted by a Big Cat Roar mural, a thank you gift from the Plymouth YMCA and Girls on the Run.

Teens involved in the Y's Summer of Service program were at the school this month to paint a mural that they designed to fit in with the school's new Big Cat ROAR theme.

"Rose McCurry did a great job getting all five elementaries involved in the Girls on the Run event, she did a fantastic job and was so passionate," said team leader Heather Jones of Canton. "We wanted to give back to her and to the community. We asked if they wanted a mural and here we are."

McCurry, coordinator of the district's Discovery Center, got 70 girls from the district's five elementaries and raised money to provide scholarships for 20 of them to participate in the noncompetitive 5K run held in Plymouth on Father's Day. The Garden City girls who ran with their buddies were among the largest contingent in the run.

The high school students — from John Glenn in Westland, Plymouth, Salem and Canton in Canton, Northville and Henry Ford Academy — designed the more than six-foot long mural and then used "oops" paint from Lowe's and Home Depot and what they brought from home to paint it.

The teens are involved in the Y's Youth Volunteer Corps



Donnie Seyfried of Plymouth works on swirls of grass. He contributed to outer space idea to the mural.



Tori Randolph of Plymouth works on the detail of the planet's surface as part of the mural the Plymouth YMCA's Summer of Service corps did at Farmington Elementary School.

'We did it in sections. A couple of the kids did the trees, some drew space, others projected the ROAR letters on the wall. They learn to work together with this.'

DANIELLE FOLEY, Redford resident

which has done a lot of work at food banks and Habitat for Humanity. During the summer, it becomes Summer of Service with each week having a different theme. The mural was done during art week. The kids sign up for the weeks they want and get credit for service hours.

"It looks good on a resume," said Tori Randolph of Plymouth. "My mom says it looks good on a college application."

"We like them to be a good person, that's what we aim for," said Danielle Foley of Redford.

The mural is in contrast to others painted by retired teacher Anne Tobias and Carol Manore. Some of their artwork is geared to younger grades. The Summer of Service mural is meant for older students. It features a tree with roots that flow along the bottom and blend into a sidewalk that leads to outer space.

"We did it in sections," said Foley. "A couple of the kids did the trees, some drew space, others projected the ROAR letters on the wall. They learn to work together with this."

"I'm an artist, it's something I like to do," said Gabrielle Burgess-Smith of Belleville, who was mixing blue and

black to create a gray as the blue sky faded into black. "I've done something like this in my bedroom before. This is really fun, but you have to have the right brushes."

"I helped her with her room, she did her whole room," said Asha Wright-Ford of Canton, a junior at John Glenn High School. "I did a future book. I was the author and she was the illustrator. We're best friends."

Thirteen teens worked on the mural, that featured the Big Cat ROAR — Respect Others, Act Responsibly — in the center.

Donnie Seyfried from Salem High contributed the space idea, but worked on the grass where it lifted up into the sidewalk. He's somewhat of a veteran of Summer of Service, having done a week last month and some time a few years ago.

"I like the people I meet," he said. "The leaders help give us direction so we understand what we need to do."

Like Seyfried, Emma Boylan has worked with the group in the past. A senior at Northville High School, she did two weeks last year and one this year.

"I don't have more time available," she said. "I like art, so I decided to do art week."

Rosie Dutfield, also from Northville High, did the Summer of Service last year. She enjoyed it so much, her mother signed her up to do two weeks this year.

"She knows I like to paint," she said. "I'm having fun, but the best part is meeting new people."

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Shoplifter grabs new TV sets from CVS

BY MATT JACHMAN
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Two 15-inch television sets were stolen from the CVS drug store on Sheldon Road on the afternoon of Aug. 14. The shoplifter reportedly escaped in a Ford Escort.

It was just after 4 p.m., a store manager told police, when a man walked into the store, went to the TV display, picked up two boxed high-definition TV sets and walked out, according to a Plymouth Township Police Department report. An employee tried to stop him, the report said, but was hampered because the store was busy at the time.

A witness told the manager that, once outside, the thief walked to the east side of the store, got into a blue Ford Escort and rode off.

Home burglary

Two pairs of athletic shoes, a speaker system and a watch were among the things reported stolen from a house on Maple in the township during an Aug. 11 burglary.

The burglary occurred between shortly before 10 a.m. and just after 10 p.m., the victim told police. There were no signs of forced entry; the victim told police the burglar

or burglars entered through an unlocked bedroom window. The blinds on the window had been disturbed, he told police.

Purse stolen

A purse with cash, credit cards and a cellular phone in it was reported stolen Aug. 14 from a car parked outside the Kroger supermarket at Ann Arbor Road and Sheldon Road.

The purse had been left on a seat, a police report said; the victim was unsure if the car, a BMW, had been locked.

Scrapper strikes

The catalytic converter was stolen Sunday night or early Monday from a minivan parked outside a house on Princeton Drive in the township.

The victim told police he started his 2003 Pontiac Montana early Monday and found the exhaust was loud. He looked underneath and saw the catalytic converter had been sawed off, police said. Police said there were metal shavings underneath the minivan.

Catalytic converters contain precious metals and are often

targeted by thieves who sell them for scrap.

Vehicle burglaries

A camera and a navigation system were reported stolen Aug. 13 from a Ford Flex that was parked in the driveway of a house on Ivywood Lane. The car had been left unlocked.

A gym bag was reported stolen on Aug. 12 from a Ford Excursion that was parked outside a house on Farmbrook Drive near Ivywood. The victim was uncertain if the vehicle had been locked.

A navigation system and about 200 compact discs were reported stolen on Aug. 12 from a Ford Escort that was parked outside a house on Crabtree Lane. The victim told police she had locked the car, but it was not reported how the thief or thieves may have gotten into it.

A Nintendo Gamecube, video game accessories, two digital video discs and a satellite radio were among the things reported stolen on Aug. 12 from a Chrysler Town & Country parked in the driveway of a house on Crabtree Lane. The minivan had been left unlocked.

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late November. The meetings are expected to last about six hours apiece.

There's a questionnaire on the district's website for prospective committee members; Fiegel said applicants will be chosen so "the committee is diverse and reflective of the district and the community."

"As we navigate through this process, we'll take input and see if it addresses what needs to be addressed," Fiegel said. "Overall, these are the things that will guide us."

It's not dissimilar to the process the district used to come up with its budget. The participatory budget process, which involved members of the community serving on a vari-

ety of committees, was largely praised by board members for helping come up with its 2010-11 budget.

Board President Steven Sneiderman said he hopes for the same kind of success from this process.

"Now that we have (the budget process) under our belt, it'll make it easier to go through this process," Sneiderman said. "What's exciting is we're reviewing our mission and vision and adding in some beliefs we didn't have before that will better define what our job is in the district. That will give us a strong start in defining what the goals are for our schools."

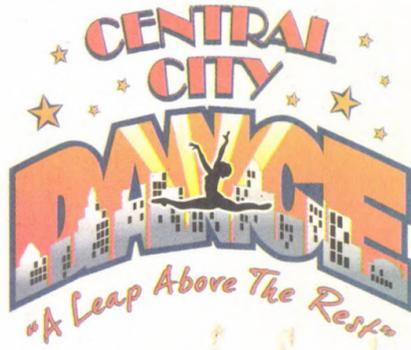
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"In the process of reviewing what existed, we took a little different approach," Fiegel said. "We made our vision statement one with a broader look; it's how you get to accomplish the mission. We identified things that would make that possible."

To get there in the end; the district is looking to set up a committee to delve into the Dynamic Planning Process. The committee is expected to be made up of some 50 members and will meet six times between September and



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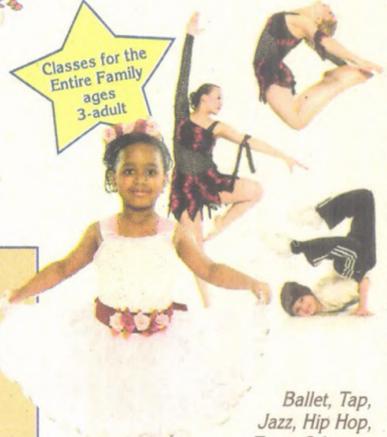
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part to a pledge from Wayne County for \$1.4 million in U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development HOME funds and a donation from Karen Colina Wilson which helped in the acquisition of the Family Center, a former Ford-UAW building.

At the ground breaking, Judy Ellis, First Step's executive director for more than 30 years, told guests that it was "a celebration of those who had

that passion and vision." "Their enthusiasm and commitment will be transformed into walls and windows and brick — a solid structure that will be an important part of the safety net in Wayne County," she said. "Our plan all along was to build a facility where each one of us and our loved ones would feel safe, comfortable, empowered and supported should we ever need a place to be safe from violence in our homes."

"In these challenging economic times, statistics show that domestic violence

increases," said Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano, who participated in the ground breaking. "This facility will empower victims of domestic violence and provide them with security and safety."

The new residential facility will be attached to the west side of the Family Center and be capable of housing up to 50 people. The 12 apartment-like suites will have a private bath, small kitchen and living areas, and there will be common areas. The building be able to use the commercial kitchen in the Family Center which also

provides programs, counseling resources and support for survivors.

"It's designed to give our survivors more privacy, more dignity and more personal space," Bizioe said. "It's a whole new model for helping survivors of domestic violence."

There also will be an outdoor play area as well as a heated garage where people can come to get clothing and furnishings donated to First Step, Bizioe added.

The new facility is a far cry from previous First Step emergency housing. Initially, the agency used a former group home at Five Mile and Sheldon and then bought a former nursing home on Ridge west of Beck. The latter facility, which First Step used for more than 20 years, is closed due to its condition and the families are in temporary housing until the new facility is ready some time in the spring or summer of 2011. The old building is slated to be torn down and the 10 acres it sits on sold, according to Bizioe.

In 2008-09, First Step served 16,480 individuals. It provide 8,730 nights of sheltering and handled 18,757 crisis calls on its 24-hour helpline. It also provided 6,508 hours of counseling for adults and 1,569 hours for children.

"This building is long overdue," said Ellis, who has led the organization since its early days in a white house at Nankin Mills in Westland. "We are so grateful to all of the generous individuals, groups and government entities who gave time, and financial support to make this campaign a success."

Unlike the two former buildings, the locations of which



First Step's new emergency housing will be to the rear of its Family Center on Venoy at Annapolis in Wayne and have 12 apartment-like suites to house victims of violence and their families.

were kept secret, the new facility will not be in hiding, due in part to the availability of information through the Internet and GPS technology. However, the agency will be "universally vigilant" to protect survivors and their families with secure parking and good security, Bizioe said.

"In this day and age, you do have to be protective, but by hanging a sign out front of the Family Center, more people who need us will find us," she said.

For now, First Step's staff and volunteers are looking for people to help in raising the remaining \$1 million to finish and furnish the new facility. Donations can be dropped off 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday or mailed to First Step's Plymouth office at 44567 Pinetree Drive, off Sheldon near Ann Arbor Road, 48170. For more information, call (734) 416-1111.

For more information about First Step, visit its website at www.firststep-mi.org. The agency is also on www.myspace.com/firststep4 and Facebook.

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CHILL AT THE JOE

First Step has many ways to help further its mission to help women and families overcome domestic violence and sexual abuse. One way is attending its second annual Chill at the Joe Sunday, Oct. 10, at Joe Louis Arena.

The event features a variety of crafts, games, entertainment, all-you-can-eat "game day fare" as well as a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to tour the Red Wings' locker room. Guests can bring their own skates or rent a pair of skates to take a few laps on the ice at Joe Louis Arena and participate in hockey feats of skill.

Individual tickets are \$30 for adults and \$20 for kids, and are available through First Step. Individual tickets also will be available at the door.

Sponsorship opportunities also are available and range from the \$10,000 title sponsorship to as little as \$250 for a support sponsor. The sponsorship deadline is Oct. 1.

Net proceeds from sponsorships and ticket sales will be donated to First Step, www.firststep-mi.org, which provides a safe place to stay, a 24-hour help line, counseling, advocacy, assault response, legal support, children's programs and other essential services designed to support victims of domestic and sexual violence and their families. More information and ticket order forms can be found on the First Step website at www.firststep-mi.org.



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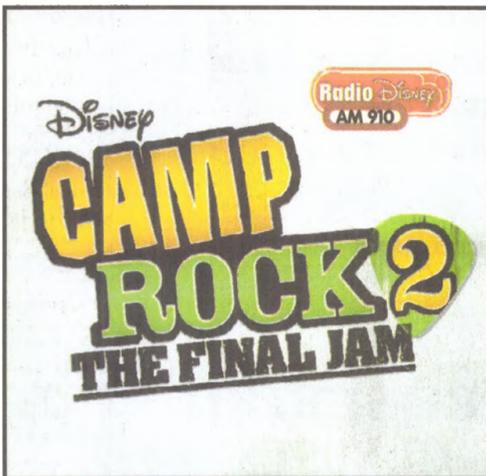


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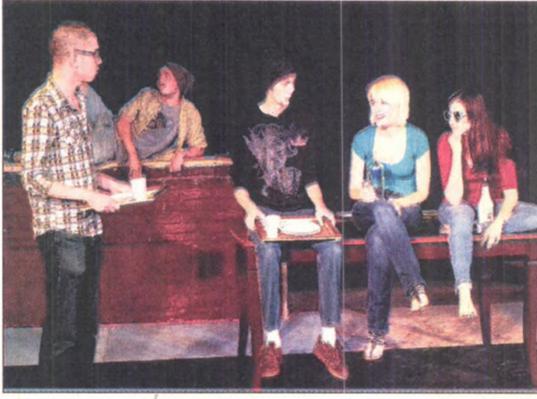
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After Hours Theatre looks at Peanuts gang 10 years later

If you like Charlie Brown, the characters will be familiar in Barefoot Productions' inaugural After Hours Theatre production of *Dog Sees God: Confessions of a Teenage Blockhead* at 10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 27-28.

Co-directed by Nathan Corliss and Barefoot's artistic director, Craig A. Hane, this "unauthorized parody" by Bert V. Royal imagines the beloved Peanuts gang 10 years later as dysfunctional high school seniors, dealing with such topics as drugs, acceptance, sex, alcohol, pyromania and violence. The philosopher has become a drug addict, the sporty girl sexually popular, the filthy child a germaphobe (but no less filthy), the musician an outcast, and man's best friend has passed away.

Barefoot's After Hours Theatre will feature a selection of shorter plays that lend themselves to slightly more risqué subject matter than the main stage productions. Shows vary and are peppered



Members of the cast rehearse a scene from Barefoot Productions' 'Dog Sees God: Confessions of a Teenage Blockhead' that will be presented Friday-Saturday, Aug. 27-28.

throughout the season, but may include such plays as *Midnight Catechism*, *Miss Margarita's Way* and *My First Time* among others.

"The concept behind our 'After Hours' theatre is that there are some fantastic plays out there, but they may not be entirely suitable for all

audiences," said Hane. "Being true to our mission - bringing unique, quality productions to the stage - it was important that we crafted a 'venue' that would allow flexibility to perform some 'out-of-the-box' shows. *Dog Sees God: Confessions of a Teenage Blockhead* is a great opener

because while it contains adult humor and language, it's a well-constructed play that's a lot of fun."

Dog Sees God: Confessions of a Teenage Blockhead opens with a once-familiar Charlie Brown mourning the death of his adored dog. Spurred by the tragedy, CB questions if life after death exists and tries to seek answers as well as consolation from his childhood friends. However, each friend is battling their own demons and struggling to find their way in what has become a very real and cruel world. Patrons are cautioned that the production contains offensive language and adult themes which may not be appropriate for those under age 18. Viewer discretion is advised.

"I remember sitting on my Pop's knees and watching the Peanuts' broadcasts; I grew up with them. It's funny how the Peanuts gang has remained eight years old after all these decades while I'm the one with the grey hair," said Hane. "Our

cast in this production ranges in age from 18 to 21 and we cast this age-appropriately to accurately represent the script. It also illustrates how Barefoot approaches its casting - with realism."

In directing *Dog Sees God*, Hane concentrated on ensuring the show's characters were portrayed true to the traits and nuances recognizable to original fans, while Corliss focused on the script's current storyline and how today's characters grapple with daily teenage angst.

Corliss also portrays one of the characters in the production in addition to co-directing with Hane as his directorial debut.

"I have a real affinity for *Dog Sees God*," said Corliss. "From the moment I read the script, I understood as both an actor and as a co-director, how words on paper can truly create a vision that inspires a director throughout the process."

In addition to Corliss, the cast includes Matthew DeLisle, Christine Doulette, Ethan McIntyre, Pamela Satchwell, Elizabeth Whitcomb and Matthew

Williams, all of Livonia and Stephanie Lee of Westland.

The 75-minute *Dog Sees God* is being performed without an intermission in the Walker-Buzenberg Building, 240 N. Main St., Plymouth. Tickets are \$10. For tickets or more information, visit the website at www.justgobarefoot.com or call (734) 560-1493.

Barefoot Productions recently announced its fifth season schedule. Details also can be found online on the website or by calling (734) 582-9688. The 2010-2011 ticket prices are \$16 for general admission, \$14 for students and seniors and \$14 for groups of 10 or more. Season tickets are available at \$42 per person for the three main stage shows (excluding *A Christmas Carol*, which is a fund raiser). Individual tickets can be purchased online at www.justgobarefoot.com by clicking on the Ticketleap link. Individual and group tickets can also be purchased by calling Barefoot Productions' box office at (734) 560-1493. The box office will be open one hour prior to each performance.

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Radio Disney rocks mall with back-to-school event

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Westland Shopping Center will be rockin' Saturday when Radio Disney AM 910 stops by the mall to celebrate back to school.

Radio Disney will be at the mall noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 28, to celebrate Back 2 School, powered by Co-op Services Credit Union and Wayne-Westland Community Schools.

"It's a chance to celebrate back to school and promote the community and school district," said Patrick Derrig, mall marketing director. "The idea is to make it one-stop shopping, learn about the schools and celebrate our community."

"It's a fun kick-off to back to school and to reach out to the community," added Wayne-Westland Deputy

Superintendent Charlotte Sherman. "It's one more avenue to go to parents and bring our resources to them."

There will be a back to school fashion show, a chance to win \$5,000 in a dance contest and tickets to see the Jonas Brothers LIVE in Concert Sept. 1 at DTE Energy Music Theatre in Auburn Hill as part of the event.

According to Derrig, selected mall merchants will be showcasing clothes in the fashion show that the audience will be able to win, with no purchase necessary, by filing out entry forms available in the stores. Featured will be Forever 21, J.C. Penney, Macy's, American Eagle, Kohl's and Sears.

"We're very excited to have a line of clothing and accessories that can be modeled in the show and then won afterward," Derrig said.

Chloe Bridges from *Disney Channel's Camp Rock 2: The Final*

Jam, will be making a special appearance at 2:30 p.m. to meet and answer questions from the audience. Bridges is the newest cast member of *Camp Rock* and is Nick Jonas's love interest in the film.

"The Camp Rock 2 CD is out, but the DVD hasn't been released yet," said Derrig. "This is a huge, huge event for Disney and we're glad to be in the forefront."

Also "huge" is the chance to win four VIP back stage tickets to see the Jonas Brothers with Demi Lovato and Friends from *Camp Rock 2* at DTE, only during the Radio Disney event at the mall.

Co-op Credit Union Services also is letting mall goers learn the cool moves *It's On* from *Camp Rock 2*. Dancers will have their performances videotaped in front of a green screen and then they will be uploaded to

the Internet where people will vote for the best dancer. The winner will receive a \$5,000 cash prize.

This is the second time Wayne-Westland has partnered with Radio Disney and Westland Shopping Center, and according to Sherman, the "second time is bigger and better."

The school district will have representatives from its transportation department, preschool program and William D. Ford Career Technical Center on hand to talk to answer parents' questions and provide information on resources available to the community like adult education. Career Tech's culinary arts instructor chef Tony Paquette also will be providing samples of desserts made at the center. Members of the John Glenn High School band and Wayne Memorial High School cheer squad

and JROTC also will be at the event.

"It's a way to go to the community and give them information on our programs," said Sherman. "It's a way to build excitement, look forward to going back to school and to say we can't wait to have you back."

The event will be in the East Court, starting at noon, and Derrig said the mall is ready to welcome a crowd.

"We want as many people to come as possible to come and help the mall celebrate public education, meet the school administration, register for school and become a part of a great community," he said.

Westland Shopping Center is at Wayne and Warren roads in Westland. For more information, call the mall at (734) 421-0291 or visit the website at www.westlandcenter.com.

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Income tax applies to severance; IRA conversion depends on individual

Q: Dear Rick: I am single, in my mid-50s and have been unemployed since the beginning of the year. My main source of income is severance pay which continues until the end of the year. Is my severance pay taxable? Would it make sense to convert my existing IRA into a Roth IRA? I'm thinking of taking classes at a community college to qualify for a job. Can I deduct the cost of classes on my tax return?

A: I would love to give you good news with regards to your severance pay, however, I cannot. Your severance pay is subject to ordinary income taxes. Whether you receive a lump sum severance check or it is paid over time, it is still taxable. In fact, many people are surprised to learn that depending upon one's individual situation, unemployment benefits are taxed.

Because your severance pay is subject to income tax, make sure your former employer is withholding money for income tax purposes or that you are making estimated payments.



Money Matters

Rick Bloom

Roth IRA? The following are the rules that I've developed and can help in making the decision.

The first is you must have the money to pay the tax (you must pay taxes on the money that you are converting) without touching the money. This year, the rules are somewhat different because you have options. You can spread your conversion tax liability over 2011 and 2012 or pay the entire tax liability in 2010.

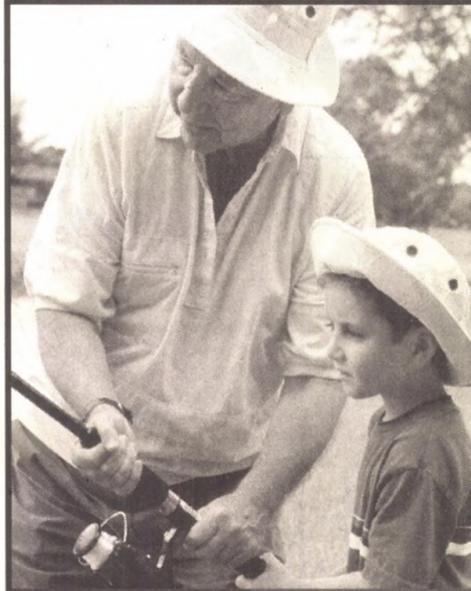
There is no one best option. The key is determining what best fits your individual tax situation.

Secondly, make sure that converting the money won't throw you into a higher tax

bracket. And finally be sure you are able to leave the money in the Roth IRA for a minimum of five years. If you meet those qualifications then a Roth conversion makes sense. However, keep in mind that with the job market still difficult at best and with little improvement expected in the near future, you must consider whether you want to use your resources to go through the conversion. I think it is important that you consider your cash flow needs over the next few years before you do the conversion.

Look at your individual situation to make the determination as to whether your tuition is deductible or not. The key is whether it is continuing education, which is deductible, or education that qualifies you for a totally new position or job, which is not deductible. Good luck!

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



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GOP challenger Milton seeks county sheriff post

BY JULIE BROWN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Shelly Milton is a Republican challenging incumbent Democratic Sheriff Benny Napoleon for the Wayne County sheriff's position.

"It's just something I feel has been a goal of mine," said Milton, 41, a Wayne County sheriff's deputy. "I can see our department heading in a different direction. I want to do something about it."

This is her first try at elected office.

"I want to provide quality law enforcement, detention and support services to the citizens of Wayne County as well as other police agencies. I want to restore the integrity, respect and honor within the department. I am ready to serve the citizens of Wayne County as their sheriff," Milton said on her website, www.shellyforsheriff.com.

She had been thinking recently about running for sheriff, and "to start reaching toward those goals."

Milton cites on her website providing mental health services for inmates who need them.

At the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice, she praises Judge Tim Kenny of the Wayne County Circuit Court's program, related to mental health issues. "I just want to keep working with him on the goal. He's doing a great thing. I'd like to have cooperation with the sheriff's department and the court for that."

Milton said her top two

SNELLY MILTON

Age: 41

Hometown: Belleville

Occupation: Joined Wayne County Sheriff's Department as a deputy in January 1999. Assigned to Frank Murphy Hall of Justice for the past seven years. Began law enforcement career with River Rouge Police Department; worked behind the scenes for sheriff's department 1989-92. Instructor at Wayne County Sheriff's Training Unit past six years. Certified by Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards to teach defensive tactics, spontaneous knife defense and ground avoidance/ground escape.

Education: Graduate of Wayne County Regional Police Academy, 1992.

Family: Husband of 14 years Jabaar Milton, a Detroit police officer; four children ranging from 4-14

Community involvement: Serves as vice president of the Board of Directors of Creative Montessori Academy in Southgate. She and her family are members of Strictly Biblical Bible Teaching Ministries.



Redford. That's done to avoid early release.

"The taxpayers are spending money through the jail space," Milton said. "I'm going to work with them and keep their prisoners like we're supposed to."

She also wants the sheriff's department to have services to aid cities in townships facing hostage situations or other emergencies. "I want to make our services available to these departments. We should be the backup they need."

Milton acknowledged her Democratic competitor, Napoleon, has more name recognition.

"It may be. I'm kind of hoping to be the David in David and Goliath," she said. "I really don't know how that's going to pan out." She's campaigning hard and meeting voters "so they can see and know what their choices are."

"It is a challenge. I can't campaign while I'm working." She does a lot of weekends and other off-hours. "I'm thankful to have a supportive family. My children have been learning a lot."

"I think I do," have an honest chance of winning the job. She's staying positive, "very focused."

"This is just all so exciting and overwhelming. I'm learning so much." Milton hasn't met Napoleon, and has no issues with work or colleagues, "thankfully."

She's holding a fund-raiser Aug. 25 and will continue to campaign through Nov. 2.

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Local customizing shop gets in on Dream Cruise action

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Fans of customized vehicles — particularly Ford Mustangs — gathered in Plymouth Township Friday to rev up the excitement over Saturday's Woodward Dream Cruise.

The event was the Pre-Cruise Pump Up, hosted by MRT, which designs and builds parts for customizing cars and trucks. MRT employees, and many customers who had traveled to the Detroit area for the Dream Cruise, showed off their rides in the parking lot; radio station 88.1 FM, the student station at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park, was broadcasting live; and a cookout and a cruise

to Dairy King, in downtown Plymouth, were planned.

The Pump Up started casually in 2006 when some friends called MRT founder Scott Hoag to ask if they could stop by his shop on the Friday before the Dream Cruise, which they planned to attend.

"It's grown into an annual event," said Hoag a former Ford Motor Co. engineer who used to run Ford's Mustang engineering team.

Some 150 to 200 show cars were expected during the course of the day. "It's a fun day," Hoag said.

MRT, which began life as Mustang Racing Technology, designs a variety of aftermarket parts: turbochargers and other engine add-ons, exhaust sys-

tems, interior and exterior trim pieces, customized hoods and more. Some are built right in the shop on Port Street, where there is also a paint shop, and the company contracts with manufacturers for others.

"We know our stuff pretty well. We're pretty creative," said Corinne Ghastin, who works in marketing.

John Herndon of Louisville, Ky., was bringing his extensively customized 2003 Mustang Mach 1 to his first Dream Cruise. He planned to show off the car in the Dream Cruise's Mustang Alley, near Nine Mile and Woodward in Ferndale.

"I'm going to do a lot of watching — people-watching and looking at all the neat cars," Herndon said.

He estimates that half of the aftermarket parts on his Mach 1 came from MRT. He first met Hoag in Nashville, Tenn., in 2004 during a celebration of the 40th anniversary of the Mustang.

Ghastin said the Pump Up gives Dream Cruise visitors from out of town another car-related event to attend. Some, she said, were planning a tour of Ford's Rouge plant.

"They kind of just make the most of this weekend," she said.

Friday's event included charity poker games and a raffle — of a pair of MRT hood struts — to benefit the Gleaners Community Food Bank.

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Fall Fest cars

The Plymouth Fall Festival car show will feature antique and classic cars from 1980 and older Sept. 11-12, with a Cruz Night Sept. 10, in downtown Plymouth.

Cost for pre-registration (before Sept. 10) is \$10 for one day, \$15 for both. Registration at the show costs \$15 for one day, \$20 for two. Registration forms can be found online at www.plymouthfallfestival.com. Mailed forms must be received by Sept. 8.

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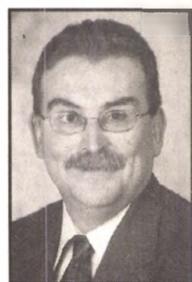
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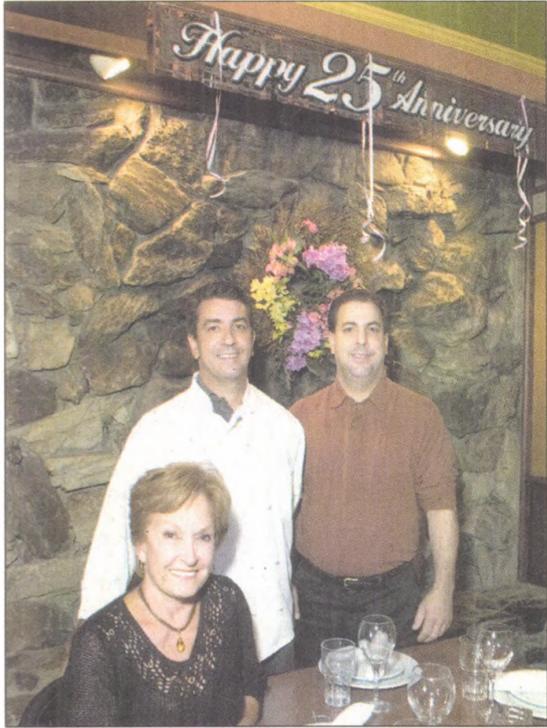
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Quarter-century mark rolls up at Station 885



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Joyce, Robert and Jerry Costanza celebrate 25 years of Station 885.

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Station 885, a dining mainstay in Plymouth and its Old Village neighborhood, is marking 25 years in business.

The family owned casual-dining restaurant, which has a railroad theme and sits next to tracks frequented by freight trains, is run by Robert Costanza and his mother, Joyce, who founded the restaurant in 1985 with her husband, Jerry, who died in 2003.

It's the day-to-day "total family involvement," Robert Costanza said, that's key to Station 885's success.

"You don't achieve that without being here keeping an eye on things," said Costanza, 44, who started out at Station 885 as a dishwasher when it opened.

The Costanzas boast four generations in the business, starting with Erminio, 98, Robert's paternal grandfa-

ther, who stops in regularly to check the pizza dough. Joyce Costanza, 70, still keeps a full schedule, and three of Robert's children also work there.

Robert said he "knew from day one" that he wanted a career in the restaurant business.

"My career day was, 'I'm going to be a restaurateur,'" he said.

The family also owns La Bistecca Italian Grille in Plymouth, which is run by Robert's brother, Jerry Costanza Jr.

Station 885 was a shot-and-a-beer joint of the same name, frequented by railroad workers, when the Costanzas took it over in 1985.

The place has its roots in Jerry Sr.'s longtime success in the restaurant business, which began in 1961, when he partnered with father Erminio and opened a pizzeria near Plymouth and Farmington roads in

Livonia. It was a dine-in and carryout place, and even had a drive-up window.

"Jerry was really ahead of his time in many ways," Joyce Costanza said. He often made 200 or more pizzas a night, she said.

"He definitely had a passion for this business," Robert Costanza said.

Jerry Sr. went on to work in several area Big Boy restaurants, and was eventually the owner, or part owner, of six of them. Joyce was a manager.

Station 885 gave them the chance to try out their own concept — home cooking, much of it from the family's Italian-American heritage — instead of a concept borrowed from Big Boy.

They liked Plymouth's quaintness, Robert Costanza said, and had a hunch they could make a go of it in town.

"We knew that people were going to like our family dining concept," he said. The

restaurant underwent five expansions in its first 10 years.

His father's philosophy, Robert Costanza said, was that if you take care of customers, they'll take care of you and business will take care of itself. That outlook fit well in Plymouth, he said.

"I think it's like a great kind of feeling in Plymouth. People kind of look after their own here," he said.

"We feel blessed to have made countless friends and business associates, and they are the ones that make opening the doors a pleasure each day," Joyce Costanza said.

Station 885, at 885 Starkweather, is offering \$8.85 dinner specials Monday through Thursday, and is raffling off a September weekend in Chicago for two that includes travel by Amtrak train, two tickets at the Omni Hotel and two tickets to see the Detroit Tigers play the Chicago White Sox.

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Plymouth chiropractor brings breakthrough pain reliever to patients

Mashike Chiropractic Wellness Center now offering non-invasive, painless low level laser therapy

BY ALISON BERGSIEKER
ADVERTORIAL WRITER

Low level laser therapy, which uses laser light to speed the healing process, is finding widespread use among pain management specialists, including chiropractors, physical therapists, orthopedic surgeons and rehabilitation clinics.

Adam Mashike, Doctor of Chiropractic at Mashike Chiropractic Wellness Center in Plymouth, began offering low level laser therapy to his patients and is seeing incredible results.

"Patients that I've been seeing for years are now using the laser, and the problems they've been dealing with for years are now gone, because the tissue is healing faster," Dr. Mashike said. "The great thing about laser is that it is medically accepted and universal. It has all the backing from Doctors of Medicine (M.D.s) and it's been researched for 25 years."

Cold laser therapy is done without drugs, as the laser provides accelerated healing without burning or cutting. The process has been used in Europe for years, but only received FDA approval in the U.S. in 2002.

Professional athletes such as Lance Armstrong and team members of the New England Patriots rely upon the therapy to treat their sports related injuries. It was

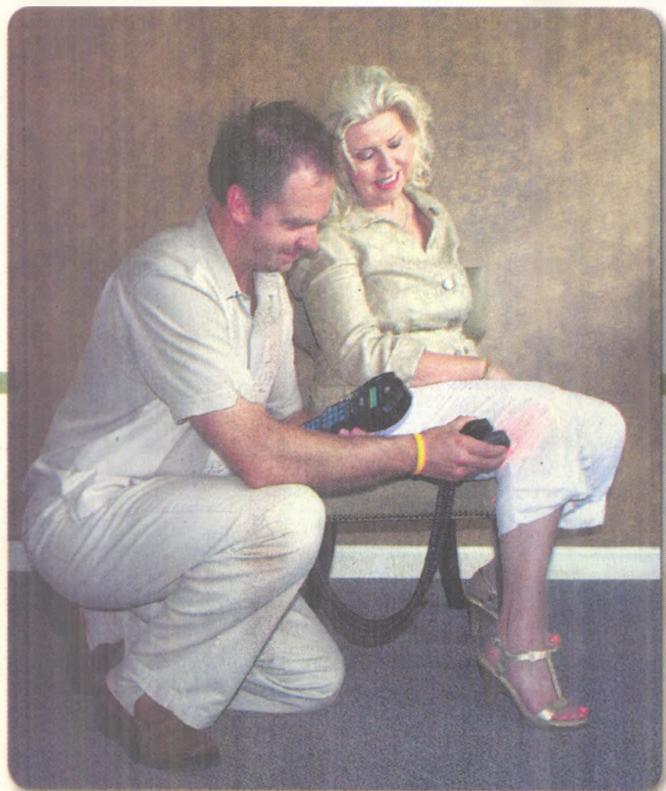
widely reported that 10 members of the Patriots sought cold laser therapy treatments to treat minor injuries the week before they won the Super Bowl in 2004.

Treating Muscle Pain

Chronic pain or an injury with a long recovery process impacts the rest of the body by causing undue strain on surrounding muscles, which subsequently has a trickle down effect throughout the rest of the body.

Unlike traditional therapies which generally require a great amount of time and a combination of anti-inflammatory medications, painful physical therapy, at home exercises and sometimes behavior modification education training, low level laser treatments are a simple remedy. The problem with the traditional approach is that because of it being both a painful and lengthy process, many participants quit somewhere along the way before being completely healed. With low level laser treatments, patients can begin seeing results almost immediately and have the comfort of knowing the treatment is an entirely painless process with substantiated positive results.

"Although commonly called cold lasers, it should be noted that the term 'cold' merely means not hot," Dr. Mashike said. "The lower



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Dr. Mashike performs low level laser therapy, a painless, non-invasive treatment for a wide range of injuries.

temperature means the lasers are capable of leaving surrounding cells and skin cells unharmed. The laser's wavelengths are capable of going through a number of tissues layers to reach the damaged cells with the optimal cold laser wavelength being of 635 nanometers in intensity. The ability to positively impact damaged cells while leaving healthy surrounding cells unaffected is precisely what makes this a non-invasive, outside of the body, painless procedure."

Canton resident Lori Hollinger sought treatment from Dr. Mashike from painful Carpal Tunnel Syndrome in her wrists.

"After having the problem for so long and going through laser therapy, I've really noticed a big difference," Hollinger said. "I have medical conditions that prevent me from using certain prescriptions, so this was a great alternative for me. I have more use of my hands for longer periods of time."

How it works

Photonic stimuli excite the body's cells infusing them with energy, with the three primary reactions being reduction of

inflammation, cell regeneration and increased blood flow. Just as in the use of low level lasers for scar reduction, when healing muscle pain, the lasers go to the core of a cell to jump-start its natural healing process.

"Aside from increasing blood flow to the injured area, low level laser therapy is believed to have an analgesic effect and has been known to reduce swelling, nerve reaction to painful stimulation and muscle fatigue," Dr. Mashike said. "The combination of these effects is known to not only cause a reduction in muscle pain, but also allow for an increase in overall range of motion and muscle strength, making it beneficial to all types of injuries."

Canton resident Heather Doering also sought treatment from Dr. Mashike for chronic pain in her jaw.

"I have been having issues with my jaw for six to eight months," Doering said. "It opens and closes, but it hurts to eat. Dr. Mashike had been adjusting my jaw the best he could, but there was still inflammation. That very same night that I first started using the laser, I could chew without pain. It was unbelievable. The time without pain between each laser treatment is getting longer and longer. It's healing deep inside my jaw. It's been amazing."

Contact Dr. Mashike today at 734-354-0020 for information on low level laser therapy or to make an appointment.



(From left): Keri Chiasson, Melody Mashike, Dr. Adam Mashike, Rachel Mashike and Ingrid Machonga make up the team at Mashike Chiropractic Wellness Center.

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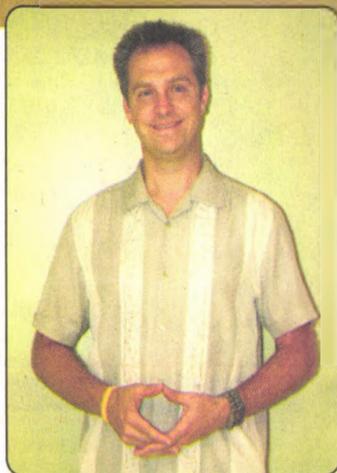
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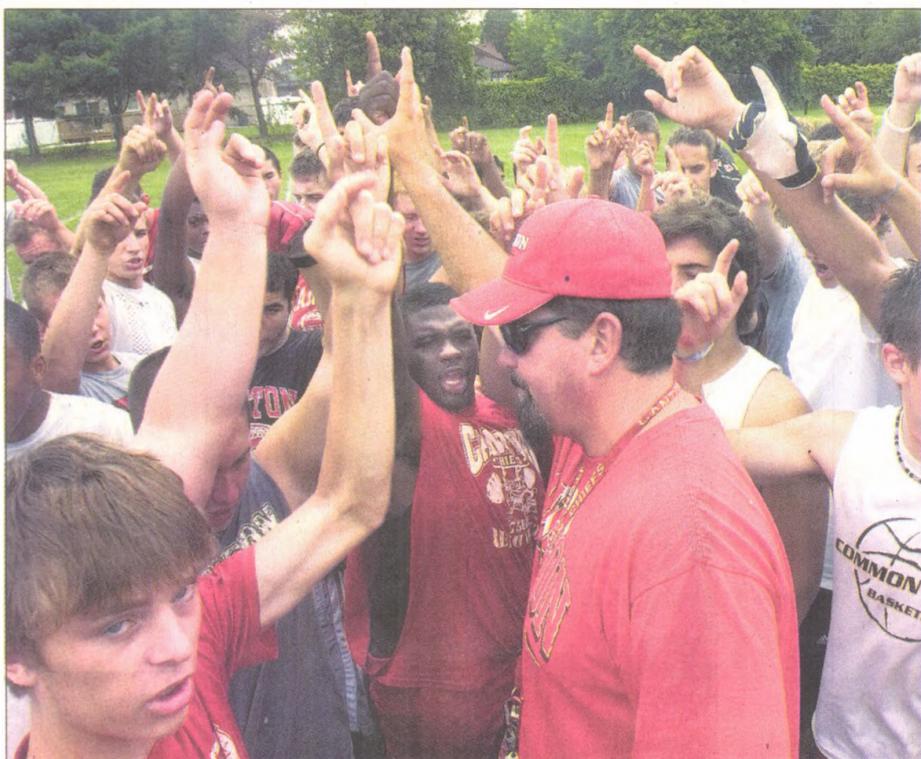
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2010 FOOTBALL PREVIEW - PT. 1



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

With the 2010 opener just around the corner, the Canton Chiefs and head coach Tim Baechler are enthusiastic about picking up where they left off in 2009.

New-look Chiefs getting primed

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Before Part 2 of Wednesday's double practice, Canton football players got juices flowing by clapping and chanting in unison.

"It kind of gets their enthusiasm going, gets them pumped up," said Tim Baechler, who is entering his 13th season as varsity head coach for the Chiefs.

But the players can do just that by getting the job done on the gridiron. Despite a number of key players graduating after 2009's 10-2 season and heartbreaking loss to Novi-Detroit Catholic in the Division 1 regional final, Baechler fully expects the 2010 version to once again be a load for Kensington Lakes Activities Association opponents.

"It's good because the expectations are there," Baechler said. "They want to get back there to

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FAST FACTS

School: Canton.
Head coach: Tim Baechler, 13th season (19th overall).
League affiliation: KLAA Kensington Conference (South Division).
Last year's record: 10-2.
Notable losses to graduation: Kevin Delapaz (second-team All-Area); Adam Payter (first-team All-Area); Carter Staffeld (first-team All-Area); Dakota Dark-Bird (first-team All-Area); Alec Gilo (second-team All-Area); Alex Dixon (first-team All-Area); Arron Boudreaux (first-team All-Area); Chris Hilton; Rohn Gaudi.
Starters returning: Davion Stackhouse, Kevin Buford, Ryan Powell, Ben Poirier, Garrett Bryden, Angelo Lanava, Jack Slater, Josh Nolen; Braden Price.
2010 schedule: Aug. 27 (at Walled Lake Central); Sept. 2 (vs. Grand Blanc at PCEP); Sept. 10 (at Livonia Franklin); Sept. 17 (vs. Wayne Memorial); Sept. 24 (at Westland John Glenn); Oct. 1 (vs. Livonia Churchill); Oct. 8 (vs. Plymouth); Oct. 15 (at KLAA crossover); Oct. 22 (at Salem).

PCA ready for debut

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Plymouth Christian Academy's football launch as a bona fide high school varsity program takes place Friday in a game at Rochester Hills Lutheran High Northwest.

Although PCA had club football in recent seasons, in the Christian Football League, the 2010 Eagles are MHSAA-sanctioned and ready to fly under the watch of head coach Mike Rumschlag.

"The CFL was good for them to get acclimated to football," Rumschlag said. "But (high school varsity) it's a whole other level. ... I've been telling them, this is a different level that you have to rise to."

According to Rumschlag, helping players make that discovery is a challenge he can't wait to tackle.

"It's going to take time to build, but I'm excited about that, I wanted to be here," Rumschlag said. "It's an opportunity for me, being a first-year head coach to learn and grow as well. It's a good environment for me."

Rumschlag said he was part of the building of Toledo Christian's prep football program and is ready to do it again.

Because the PCA team wasn't announced until February, the Eagles will be an independent team this fall with no home games on the schedule. "The school elected to go forward with the varsity program a little late," Rumschlag said.

He noted that PCA athletic director Rick Willey is trying to find out if a home game (which would possibly be held at nearby Plymouth-Canton Educational Park) can be added to the slate.

There definitely will be seven games on the docket for a roster of 15 players, although Rumschlag is trying to add some last-minute recruits.

THEY'LL BE BUSY

Rumschlag's team at least has a nucleus in place, ready to take on double duty (most of the team will need to play both on offense and defense, due to the small numbers).

Junior Dillon Rahill probably is at the top of that list. Rahill (6-2, 170) will start at quarterback, and also play linebacker.

"We're learning a pro formation style



Plymouth Christian quarterback Dillon Rahill tries to escape the grasp of an Oakland Christian defender during Thursday's scrimmage.

FAST FACTS

School: Plymouth Christian.
Head coach: Mike Rumschlag, 1st season.
League affiliation: Independent.
Last year's record: did not play.
2010 schedule: Aug. 27 (at Lutheran High Northwest); Sept. 2 (at University Liggett); Sept. 11 (at Cardinal Stritch in Toledo); Sept. 24 (at White Pigeon); Oct. 1 (at Buena Vista); Oct. 8 (at Mendon); Oct. 22 (at Parkway Christian).

of offense," Rumschlag said. "Being a young, new program, with small numbers, we try to keep it simple for the guys."

Rahill will hand the ball off to 5-8, 140-pound freshman fullback Josh Paladino or freshman Daniel Jipping.

"Josh (Paladino) is a smaller kid, but he's got a chip on his shoulder," the coach said. "We love to see that (because) it makes for a good football player."

If Rahill puts the ball up, a primary target will be senior Matt Dodson, one of the players who recently decided to give football a try.

"He's a nice addition ... he's a good threat that (opponents) will have to defend against," said Rumschlag about the football newbie.

In order for Rahill to have time to

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Salem's Brandon Barfuss (No. 5), shown during a 2009 game, is one of the Rocks key returnees.

BOYS SOCCER PREVIEW - PT. 1

Salem looks to reboot with youth

Canton boys soccer preview, Page B2

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Starting with an upset victory over top-ranked Livonia Churchill in the Division 1 district final, Salem's varsity boys soccer team enjoyed a long, successful postseason run.

The Rocks followed the district championship with a regional title before falling in the state semifinals.

But head coach Ed McCarthy knows it's a new season with a very different cast of characters.

"Our back line will need to start the season strong," McCarthy noted. "The midfield has lost many key players and will need to make the transition to new positions very quickly.

"Although the forward line has very limited varsity experience they should be able to deliver key goals if given opportunities from our midfield," he added.

Whether Salem can approach last year's 17-5-2 record remains to be seen, especially since the team lost 12 players, including seven starters.

"This team will need to work very hard to be successful in the (KLAA Kensington) conference and state tournament," said McCarthy, whose 2010 squad opened up with three games at Saturday's annual Balconi Invitational.

But there are some outstanding returnees who will need to carry the team, at least until some of the younger players get their feet wet.

Midfielder and tri-captain Dan Martin scored 12 goals in 2009 and he will need to reprise that production if Salem is to contend in the KLAA Central Division.

Also back are important players Brandon Barfuss (midfield), tri-captain Dan Adsit (midfield), tri-captain Tommy Halewicz (defense) and Jake Genrich (defense).

One of three promising new players, defender Chris Ensor, will be called upon to protect Salem sophomore goalkeeper Erick Beas — who is filling the void left when standout Sasa Miskovic graduated.

The Rocks' offense could get a boost if forwards Jake Pascarella and Chris Dierker play as well as McCarthy thinks they will. Both are varsity newcomers.

But McCarthy is realistic, that it will be a rebuilding type of year.

"We are a young team this year with only six seniors," he noted. "We return some defenders, so hopefully this will become a strength of this team as we lost nearly all of our scoring to graduation."

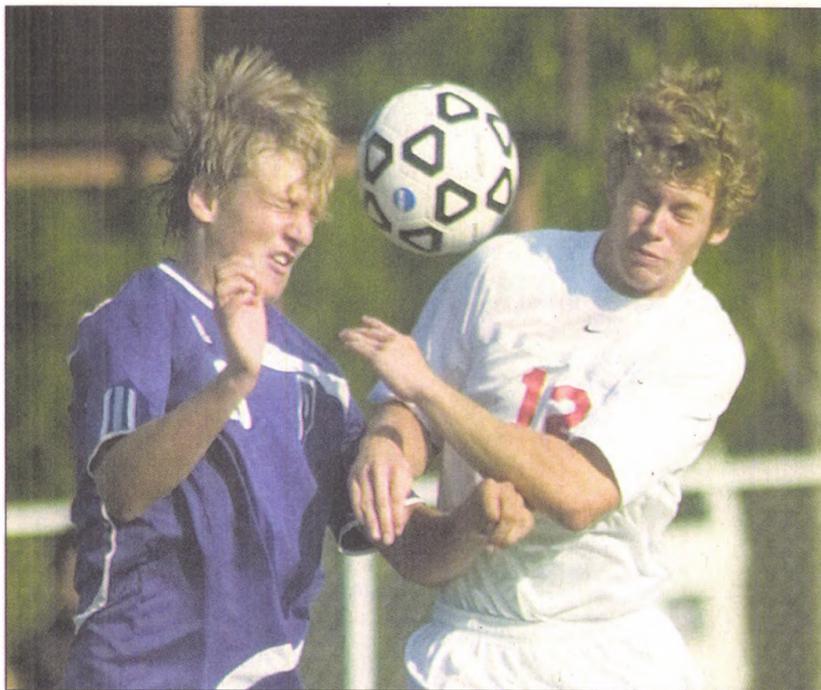
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One of Canton's offensive standouts last year, forward Mitch Posuniak (right), is back again this fall.

Chiefs can't wait to get started

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

PREVIEW

Many of the players who experienced a district title in 2009 are back as Canton's boys soccer team eyes even greater success this time around.

Head coach George Tomasso also is eager to get the 2010 season going. The Chiefs (14-9-3 in '09) actually opened up Saturday at the annual Balconi Invite.

"Any time you make a deep run in the playoffs, the experience is priceless," Tomasso said. "They're ahead of the game because they got it as freshmen and sophomores and they're going to be in the program for two more years."

A trio of sophomores have the opportunity to be standouts in the KLAA South —forward Daniel Ovesea, midfielder Bobby Budlong and defender Connor Shennan.

Others expected to shine on D will be juniors Connor Ferguson, Tyler Winningham and senior Kyle Krause.

"Our back line, they're very experienced for their age," Tomasso explained. "All played varsity last year as freshmen and sophomores" and have demonstrated poise under fire.

Budlong, junior Shean Krolicki and seniors

Sean Balnaves and Garrett Derian-Toth are midfielders who figure to lead the transitional game from defense to offense.

"It's a well-balanced midfield with a tremendous amount of creativity," said Tomasso, adding that his midfielders work very well with the defensive corps.

Meanwhile, Ovesea, junior Mitch Posuniak (10 goals in '09) and senior Phill Baciak are the players Canton will need to score.

"They're all competing for starting positions," Tomasso said. "I think they're going to be hard to stop. They got a ton of varsity experience last year."

Returning is senior goalkeeper Brandon Laabs. "He's trained hard to get to this point and he'll fit right in with this team."

Senior Garren Carr, the JV keeper in '09, will back up Laabs.

Following the Balconi Invite, the Chiefs are slated to play games Thursday at Novi, Friday at Walled Lake Western and Aug. 30 at Ann Arbor Pioneer before the home opener 7 p.m. Sept. 7 against campus rival Plymouth.

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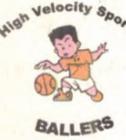
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Plymouth Christian's fledgling football program opens this week. Here, the team huddles up during Thursday's scrimmage.

Scott starts new era at Madonna

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

When Eric Scott was named the new Madonna University



Scott

men's soccer coach last March, he couldn't help but admire all the hardware stored in the case.

The former Schoolcraft College assistant then went right to work on the recruiting trail and has put together a 26-man roster with the season opener right around the corner this Sunday (Aug. 22) at Viterbo (Wisc.).

"It's a real privilege to coach at a program with such a tradition they established under both Pete (Alexander) and Tino (Sciicluna)," Scott said of the two former MU head coaches.

"I just hope to continue to what they done. But they didn't make it easy seeing all those trophies in the office."

Sciicluna's final season as head coach was un-Sciicluna like as the Crusaders finished 4-7-3 overall and 4-5-3 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

Only a handful of players return from that squad led by first-team All-WHAC selection Jacob Rosiek, a junior midfielder from Madison Heights Bishop Foley.

Other returnees include midfielders Ogbemudia "Mikey" Iyoha, a senior; Zain Qureshi (Livonia Franklin), a sophomore; Edward Tomaszewski, a sophomore; Jordan Hunt, a sophomore; and Franco Giorgi,

a sophomore. Scott will rely on incoming freshmen and transfers to fill in the blanks.

Look for Max Washko, a first-team All-Area striker from Livonia Churchill who had 25 goals as a senior, and Brandon Hess, an attacking midfielder from Novi-Detroit Catholic Central, to each have an impact immediately as freshman.

Scott also brought in pair of transfers with him from NJCAA Division I National Tournament runner-up Schoolcraft - Masato Morioka, a midfielder from Northville, and Drew Kidder, a defender from Macomb Lutheran North.

Freshman defender Derek Rosiek, Jacob's younger brother, has also been a pleasant surprise so far on defense.

"He's used to the speed of the game and the same goes for Max (Washko)," Scott said. "Max is a big target and Jacob has that quality that he's with the ball, he stays calm and doesn't panic."

The Crusaders also lost their goalkeeper, Steve Besk, to graduation, but scheduled to start Sunday's opener is Parker Laabs (Canton), a transfer from NCAA Division III Seton Hill (Pa.).

"All the older guys on the team have been able to assimilate with the younger guys and make them feel comfortable," Scott said. "There's also a honeymoon period with the old, the new players and the coaching staff. But overall the spirit has been good, especially this week."

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work, he'll need yeoman's duties from the offensive line. As of Wednesday, it featured 6-6, 250-pound junior Eric Jipping and 6-2, 240-pound senior Josh Allen.

"He (Eric Jipping) knows he's a key part of the offensive line," Rumschlag said. "If he takes a play off it's definitely going to hurt us."

Another player who could help on the O-line is 5-10,

210-pound sophomore Mousa Farrau "who'll give you 100 percent all the time."

GAME PLAN

When the Eagles are on defense, Paladino (cornerback), Dodson (outside linebacker) and Daniel Jipping (strong safety) will try to keep drives by the opposition as short as possible.

Eric Jipping and Farrau will start on the defensive line, as will Allen, although Rumschlag is still trying to determine what would be the best place to slot him.

Because there aren't

many players to work with, Rumschlag and his coaching assistants plan on getting them as physically and mentally sharp as possible.

"We want to push these guys to their outer limits," Rumschlag said. "And we know it's going to take everything they have to complete a varsity football game with four or five subs."

"Some of those stronger players, I think they'll be able to handle going both ways for four quarters. It's the other guys I am more concerned about for the long term of the season."

He knows that a big challenge will be helping players stay healthy despite the unavoidable heavy lifting they'll have to do.

"When we get into games five, six and seven," Rumschlag said, "if we're limping in there it's going to be hard."

Rounding out PCA's roster are junior Jonathon Bauchemin, sophomores Brendan Marker, Tyler Mills, Shawn O'Neil, Gage Danley, Robert Stafford and freshmen Justin Allen and Jared Cobb.

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CHIEFS

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that game and that level."

He emphasized that there's a lot of work that needs to be done to even think about a long postseason run to rival last year's.

"We've got a few great players, we've got quite a few good ones," he said. "But we're going to take the field with some average guys, and we need those average guys to get good in a hurry."

"We're not going to have a great player or even a good player at every position. Until we get daily improvement, that level is not going to happen."

Baechler understands how important having good players in the trenches is to any football team's success. Last year's team featured O-line difference makers in Carter Staffeld, Alec Gilo, Chris Hilton and tight end Dakota Dark-Bird -- all were lost to graduation.

Also graduating were bulldog running back Adam Payter and spark plug quarterback Kevin Delapaz, leaving Canton's offense in a state of transition entering Friday's 7 p.m. opener at Walled Lake Central.

BEN'S IN CHARGE

Baechler is handing the keys to his offensive backline to senior quarterback Ben Merbler.

"He should be just as good or even better than Kevin, who had great leadership and the ability to make big plays in crucial situations," Baechler said. "That's an intangible, and hopefully Ben shows that he

has that. But he's got the physical skills to be an awesome quarterback."

Blocking in front of Merbler will be seniors Ben Poirier, Matt Gunnis and tight end Garrett Bryden.

Possibly joining them are two promising youngsters who could also be regular contributors are sophomore tackles Cameron Dillard (6-2, 270) and Daniel DeRosio (6-4, 280).

"He (Dillard) is going to be great," the coach noted. "He's already going to step in and be able to play at right tackle."

Baechler described DeRosio as "a big kid, a good kid who is getting better every day."

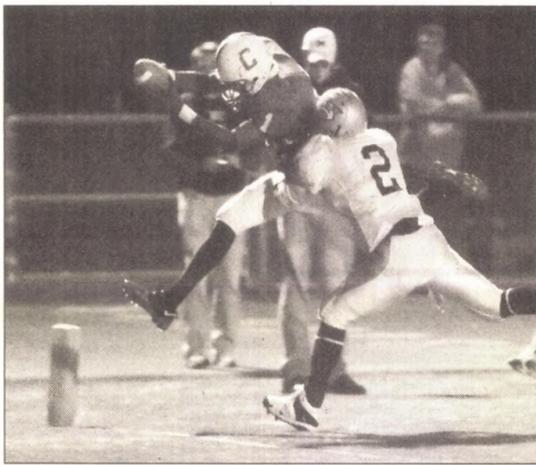
Players Baechler is confident could fit the bill up front include juniors John Chadwick, Cory Peters and Dalton Murphy -- also candidates for playing time on defense.

As was the case in '09, the Chiefs will often line up three running backs behind the quarterback. Two of those three are electrifying speedsters Davion Stackhouse and Kevin Buford, who are entering their senior and junior year, respectively.

The third tailback could be either 5-9 junior Zac Merrilat or 5-8 senior Nick Alaniva, who are now involved in "a pretty good fullback competition," Baechler said. "We just have a lot of depth in the backfield, a lot of good kids."

Stackhouse and Buford also make things happen on kickoff returns or catching passes out of the backfield and then turning on the jets for long gainers.

Another key wide-out will be senior Ryan Powell, with senior Angelo Lanava back as starting tight end. Bryden is another



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With a mix of speed and skill, Canton's Kevin Buford (No. 1) will give opposing defenders fits again this season.

player who Merbler won't hesitate to throw to.

ALL SYSTEMS GO

"Everybody thinks we just run the ball, which we do, but we hit different areas of the field and different areas of defense," Baechler said. "It's a total system, and we've got ways to attack every place on the field. We need it all."

In those instances where the various options do not yield a touchdown, the Chiefs have junior kicker Connor Shennan available to convert field goals. (Sharing punting chores will be Canton's defense is bolstered by the return of several 2009 stalwarts. Bryden, last year's leading tackler, will resume his post at linebacker as will Price and senior Jack Slater. All are looking very good during practices.

The secondary of Buford, senior Josh Nolen and Powell

promise to give opposing receivers fits with their quickness and ability to defend.

"We have seven guys back (on defense), and that's one thing we're banking on especially early," Baechler stressed, "that our defense carries us and our skill guys on offense carry us until we get our D-line and O-line playing well."

Other teams in the KLAA South also know about Canton's dangerous punt and kickoff returns, another looming scoring threat.

"If you want to squib, there's going to be a good kid picking it up," Baechler said. "If you want to kick it deep, unless you kick it in the end zone, we've got three real fast, good guys back there, too. Kick returns should be a weapon."

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PREP FOOTBALL
Friday, Aug. 27
 Plymouth vs. Salem at PCEP, 7 p.m.
 Brighton at Wayne, 7 p.m.
 Ply. Christian at Luth. Northwest, 7 p.m.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
Saturday, Aug. 28
 Portage Northern Invitational, 8 a.m.
 Ladywood Tournament, 8:30 a.m.
 St. Joe Mich. Lutheran Inv., 8:30 a.m.
 W.L. Central Invitational, 9 a.m.
 Carleton Airport Invitational, 9 a.m.

BOYS SOCCER
Tuesday, Aug. 24
 Ply. Christian at Roeper, 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Aug. 25
 Salem at Troy Athens, 7 p.m.
 Plymouth vs. Walled Lake Northern
 at PCEP Soccer Stadium, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 26
 University-Ligetel at Ply. Christian, 4:30 p.m.
 Canton at Novi, 7 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 27
 Salem vs. Lake Orion Community, 5:30 p.m.
 Canton at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.

BOYS & GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY
Saturday, Aug. 28
 South Lyon Inv. at Island Lake, 9:30 a.m.
 Lansing Catholic Invitational, 10 a.m.

GIRLS SWIMMING & DIVING
Thursday, Aug. 26
 WSU Relays, 5 p.m.

BOYS TENNIS
Friday, Aug. 27
 Monroe Invite, 8 p.m.

GIRLS GOLF
Monday, Aug. 23
 Brighton Inv. at Oak Pointe, 9 a.m.
Tuesday, Aug. 24
 Franklin Inv. at Fox Creek, 7:30 a.m.
Wednesday, Aug. 25
 Ladywood vs. Seeholm
 at Hudson Mills Metropark, 7:30 a.m.

Thursday, Aug. 26
 Farmington Inv. at Glen Oaks, 8 a.m.
 Ladywood vs. Marian
 at St. John's G.C., 4 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 27
 Grosse Ile Inv. at West Shore G.C., 9 a.m.

GIRLS FIELD HOCKEY
Wednesday, Aug. 25
 Ladywood at Marian, 4:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
Friday, Aug. 27
 S'craft at Central Ohio Tourney, noon
(UM-Dearborn Early Bird Classic)
 Madonna vs. Spring Arbor, 3:15 p.m.
 Madonna vs. St. Xavier (Ill.), 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 28
 S'craft at Central Ohio Tourney, 10 a.m.
(UM-Dearborn Early Bird Classic)
 Madonna vs. Notre Dame (Ohio), 11 a.m.
 Madonna vs. Georgetown (Ky.), 3:30 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Sunday, Aug. 22
 Madonna at Viterbo (Wisc.), 3 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 26
 Madonna at Huntington (Ind.), 4 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 28
 Heartland (Ill.) at Schoolcraft, noon.
 Madonna vs. Univ. of Windsor
 at Greenmead Field, 2:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Thursday, Aug. 26
 Madonna at U-D Mercy, 3 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 28
 UM-Dearborn at Schoolcraft, 10 a.m.
 Univ. of Windsor at Madonna, noon.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

MU hosts golf fund-raiser

Early registration is still open for Madonna University's annual Scholar-Am Classic to benefit the student scholarship fund, Friday, Sept. 17, at Western Golf & Country Club in Redford.

The Early Birdie rates (including golf, lunch and dinner) is \$175 per individual and \$700 per foursome. Those who sign up early can have two strokes shaved off their foursome's score and also golf with a Madonna scholar, professor, dean, board member or coach.

A busy fun day is planned. The schedule is as follows: 11:30 a.m., check-in; noon, lunch at clubhouse; 1 p.m., shotgun start; 5:30 p.m., cocktails and raffles; 6 p.m., dinner and awards.

For more information, contact Alan Pinon (734-432-5556, apinon@madonna.edu) or Ann Cleary (734-432-5421, acleary@madonna.edu).

Whalers making waves

After a trial run in 2009-10, the Ontario Hockey League's Plymouth Whalers will return to WSDP-FM (88.1) "The Escape" as their radio home for the upcoming season.

"The Escape" — an award-winning radio station located at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park — will begin covering the Whalers this year with a special broadcast during Plymouth's first preseason game against Windsor at 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 4, during "The Clash at the Coliseum" in Chelsea.

The station will resume its broadcast schedule with coverage of the Whalers' season opener, set for Thursday, Sept. 13, in Windsor.

Pete Krupsky remains Whalers play-by-play voice, with Sean Baligian providing analysis of home broadcasts. Also, WSDP will carry the bulk of the Whalers games

this season with a minimum of preemptions. All regular season and playoff games will be streamed online at www.plymouth-whalers.com.

Baseball tryouts

The Motor City Giants 10U travel baseball team is hosting tryouts from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Aug. 21, and 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 28, both days at UAW Local 735 Field, 48055 Michigan Ave. in Canton.

To pre-register or for more information, e-mail giantsbaseball@wowway.com or call Coach Zaia at (734) 812-8780.

Wilson's on par

Recently retired counselor and former Salem golf coach Rick Wilson competed in the Seniors West Championship at Avon Oaks C.C. in Olmsted, Ohio.

Wilson shot an even-par 72 to tie four other golfers in the 55-59 age bracket. Also, he qualified to play Oct. 1 in the Ohio Intrastate Challenge Match at Firestone C.C. in Akron, Ohio.

O&E men's golf

Registration is still on for the Observer & Eccentric Open men's golf tournament.

The O&E Men's Open, a two-day, 36-hole medal event, will be Labor Day weekend, Sunday-Monday, Sept. 5-6 at Fox Creek and Whispering Willows courses, respectively.

Entries close at 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 28, and will be open to the first 120 golfers. The entry fee is \$95 (cart not included). There will be a Senior Division (50-and-over) with a maximum handicap of 20 (U.S.G.A. index required to participate). A total of \$2,500 in prizes, including money for the low and net scorers for each flight, will be offered.

For more information on both tourneys,

call (248) 476-4493 or visit www.golflivonia.com.

St. Mary Mercy 5K

Registration continues for the fourth annual St. Mary Mercy Hospital Embrace Life 5-kilometer run-walk for Cancer on Sunday, Sept. 12.

The race begins at 9 a.m. on the hospital grounds, located at Five Mile and Levan roads.

The cost is \$22 for runners-walkers who register on or before Friday, Sept. 3 (race T-shirt guaranteed). It's \$27 for those signing up after Sept. 3.

Awards will go to the first-, second- and third-place overall male and female finisher in each 5K age division.

There will also be a community open house from 10 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. offering music, games, food and health screenings.

You can register at Active.com or by visiting stmarymercy.org.

Fall softball leagues

Registration is underway for Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation men's and co-ed fall softball with the projected starting date Aug. 16.

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Triathletes lose their hair for charity

BY DIANA WING
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You've got to keep moving if you want to finish an Ironman Triathlon, a 2.4-mile swim, 112-mile bike ride and 26.2-mile run in 17 hours or less. But members of the Detroit Iron Triathlon Team will break from their busy training schedule Friday, Aug. 27, to just sit still and lose — their hair.

Shave to Save, Detroit Iron's sixth fund-raising event for The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS), will be held at BlackFinn Restaurant and Saloon in Royal Oak. Heads will be shaved and locks (gals only) will be clipped to raise funds for blood cancer research.

"I did it last year and it takes far too long to grow back. It certainly is a sacrifice. Let's say, I just don't date for a few months afterwards because it doesn't look good," said Detroit Iron founding member Stuart Baskin, laughing. "I have five hairdressers coming from Edwin Paul Salon (Grosse Pointe Woods). If someone wants to jump in and says, 'it's a great cause, I'll do it,' we're more than happy to have their head shaved also."

A Farmington Hills resident, Baskin is the triathlon coach for the Team in Training (TNT) program of LLS. He and 13 other TNT alumni, many of them past or present coaches, formed Detroit Iron last year. The group has grown to 50 members. They train together, compete in various triathlon events and raise funds and awareness for charities.

TRAINING FOR FUN
"I had never done any triath-



Hayley Ray, a local 'Make-A-Wish' child, shaves the head of Detroit Iron founding member Stuart Baskin at Palazzolos Salon last year. She'll clip his locks again during Shave to Save, a benefit for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Friday, Aug. 27, at BlackFinn in Royal Oak.

lon before but I'd been involved in different sports for a while ... I do this for fun," said Detroit Iron founding member Jason Lyngaas of Royal Oak. "We're training six or seven days a week — short and long training sessions. You try to vary it so you're not doing the same thing all the time."

Baskin races and raises funds in honor of his wife, Janet, who died in 2002 after

a long and hard battle with breast cancer.

"We'd do the Walk for the Cure every year and then one year I said, 'I'm going to run in your honor.' I had never been a runner. I was not that active," Baskin said. "I started running one block at a time, then two blocks, then a mile, and I fell in love with running."

BECOMING A COACH

A friend asked Baskin to sign up for a TNT-sponsored bike ride around Lake Tahoe in 2006. Baskin was so impressed with the Team in Training program that he did an Olympic distance triathlon, a half Ironman and a full Ironman in 2007, and the following year he agreed to coach.

"With TNT we take people from the couch to an Olympic distance triathlon. We give them a training plan, we work together, we motivate each other. It gives you a connection to honor people who have survived cancer ... we find, too, that you make lifelong friends," said Baskin, who recalled a 55-year-old non-active couple who was skeptical at the TNT informational meeting, but completed the triathlon. "Michele said, 'thank you. This was one of the biggest events of our life, and you were totally true, it is a life-changing experience.'"

"It's a rarity in life that we get a chance to inspire people, and through being a TNT coach, I have a chance to inspire. One day we're going to beat cancer, it's just a matter of time. I keep saying, I'll raise money so people smarter than me will come up with a solution."

Shave to Save runs 7-11 p.m., with hair cutting and head shaving at 8 p.m. Advance tickets are \$20 (\$25 a the door) and include appetizers, and live entertainment from Detroit Red Wing's songstress Karen Newman, and acoustic pop/rock artist Frankie D'Angelo, Michael Bermudez and Steve Acho. BlackFinn is located at 530 S. Main, in Royal Oak. For advanced tickets visit www.detroitiron.com. Learn more at www.teamintraining.org/mi.

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Dog days

Pets, owners will have a ball at annual Paws in the Park

BY SHARON DARGAY
O&E STAFF WRITER

Paws in the Park returns to Canton next weekend for two days of all things canine.

That's more than 11 hours of dog entertainment and activities, dozens of vendors and nonprofits, and hundreds of dogs.

Bring your best four-pawed friend on-leash to the park and don't miss these organizations and events:

HUMANE SOCIETY OF HURON VALLEY Kittens at a dog event?

Deb Kerr of the Huron Valley Humane Society (HSHV) says the shelter likely will have "lots" of young felines for adoption.

"Probably not many cats," she said, adding that most are a bit finicky when it comes to travelling. "We'll have dogs — small, large, different kinds. Whoever is here that hasn't been adopted."

The HSHV shelter, located in Dixboro, is full and also has 181 animals in foster care. Adoptable dogs will take turns walking with handlers among the crowd at Paws in the Park. They'll wear easily identifiable capes that say they're available for loving, new homes.

Kerr encourages adopters to bring along their existing dogs to the event to make sure they'll get along with potential new family members.

"We like to do dog-to-dog interaction," she explained. "The ideas is to

PAWS IN THE PARK

What: Dog adoption, activities and entertainment

When: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 28-29; the Paws Walk registration starts at 8 a.m. Saturday. Walkers can log the mile route any time from 9-10:30 a.m.

Where: Heritage Park, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton

Admission: \$4 in advance, \$5 at the door

Contact: (248) 823-2005; www.pawsintheparkusa.com

keep them in the home. If you take a dog home and they don't get along, it's likely you'll bring the dog back."

The adoption process, which includes an application, interview and interaction with the dog, takes about an hour.

Kerr said visitors also can check out adoptive dogs at Paws in the Park and wait until they visit the shelter to make a commitment.

"Many people come here (the shelter) as a destination for adoption. We adopted out 122 last week, which is great. But we took in 149. Ninety were strays and the rest were owner relinquished."

HSHV also will offer a low-cost micro chip clinic, tips on what to do if you lose your dog, and behavior



A dock-diving canine makes a splash at an Ultimate Air Dog show.

advice both days of the event.

RESCUE GROUPS

Michigan has its own version of the Utah-based "Dogtown" sanctuary for dogs.

It's called Mackenzie's Animal Sanctuary, in Lake Odessa, located between Lansing and Grand Rapids. It's one of three rescue groups, along with The Buster Foundation — a pit bull-focused organization — and North Star Border Collie that will be on hand with adoption information at Paws in the Park.

"I think right now we have about 95 dogs," said Amanda Parrish, marketing and PR director for the organization that serves only canines. "We don't accept owner surrenders or strays. We find it's most effective to work with other animal organizations that have to euthanize. We go out every week and take in as many as we can."

The group finds homes within a 150-mile radius of its campus, which includes 14 play yards three "real

life" rooms that resemble living room areas for training, pools and an agility and gymnasium area.

It doesn't allow on-site adoption at events like Paws in the Park. The adoption process requires the potential adopter to visit the shelter twice. A MacKenzie staff member also visits their home.

"We're not just going to place a dog in any home," Parrish said. "We want to make sure they match up with the right family and environment — that it's a good fit."

"We had one lady who was interested in a dog. The first two visits went well. She was looking at a 65-pound dog. Then we went to her home and there was no room to get through the house. We told her to clean up and make room for a dog before adopting."

Because of its "thoughtful and thorough" adoption process, it has a low return rate of dogs: four in the past five years.

CONTESTS

Give your dog the opportunity to shine — whether he's smiling, testing out a new trick, racing or just planting a big, sloppy kiss on your face.

"The best trick contest last year had several participating dogs," said Terri O'Brien, spokeswoman for Paws in the Park. "One dog played the piano. Another dog jumped in the air about 8 feet and another dog played dead. There were several unusual tricks."

The Wiener Dog Race is designed for Dachshunds and other canines with a mild resemblance to a frankfurter.

"We line them up in a fenced-in area and the dogs race to the other side of the field. The first dog that crosses the line, and let's just say it takes them a while to figure out which way to run, wins a year of Ball Park Franks for their owner."

O'Brien said kissing contestants do get plenty of paper towels to clean up the slobber.

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PETS

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Contests run both days of Paws in the Park.

ROCK N ROLL K9'S

The Novi-based group of racing, jumping, agility-trained musical-mat (think musical chairs) playing dogs will add a new challenge to its shows at Paws in the Park.

We don't want to give the surprise away, but it includes agility-style weaving and kids.

"We're switching things around a bit and adding different things," said Pam Koons, founder of the popular dog performance troupe. "We've also started selling trading cards. The kids love it."

Each card sports a picture of a Rock N Roll K9's dog, and stats. They're available for a donation, which benefits a no-kill shelter.

Koons said about 25-30 different dogs, accompanied by their handlers, will perform in the show that includes "a lot of fast-paced racing and high jumping" all set to rock and roll music.

"They love the music and clapping and cheering. The more cheering there is the higher they go."

Think your dog could make the team?

Dogs must have good recall, a sterling temperament and in most cases a little experience in agility.

PAWSITIVE VYBE

Abby Cline of Fargo, N.D. will bring her Australian Shepherds, Australian Cattle Dogs and even a Poodle-Bishon mix to the park for a little Frisbee action.

"It's going to be faced-paced and a fun show," she said.

"We have dogs that get big air (jumping high); we have a weave pole race and a tunnel. It's a lot of action."

Cline said the more the audience cheers, the better the dogs respond.

She added that rescued Pawisive Vybe dogs were rescued from pounds and shelters.

ULTIMATE AIR DOGS

Talk about jumping: Ultimate Air Dogs athletes will leap off a dock into a 30-foot pool, competing for distance. Former Detroit Tigers pitcher, Milt Wilcox, will host the show which invites visitors to bring dogs on a leash, to be part of the action.

PAWS WALK

The second annual walk will benefit HSHV through its minimum \$15 participation fee and will light up smiles throughout the park.

Costumes and floats aren't required but many dogs and their owners will vie for "best of" awards in both categories. Last year's event brought out Dorothy and Toto lookalikes, Chihuahuas dressed as fairies and a "Red Barron" float. Winners get a six-month supply of dog food from Canidae Pet Foods.

LURE, AGILITY

Dogs will get a chance to try lure-chasing — racing after a fake squirrel tail over small jumps and through tunnels — in a fenced-in course both days.

The HSHV also will set up an agility course open to visitors. Dogs can try the course for a donation to the shelter. Representatives will be on hand to help owners coax their dogs through and over the equipment.



Adopt a pet on site at Paws in the Park, in Canton.



No Snoopy here as a boy and his dog compete in a 'Red Barron' float at last year's Paws Walk.



Dogs large and small alike strutted across the stage in costume at Paws in the Park last year.

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Yet many people after seeing their x-rays revealing the advanced state of arthritis of their knee, and despite their pain even on standing, refuse to undertake surgery. Though their doctor points out the risk of fall because the damaged knee is also unstable, and the family tells the patient how much the patient's activity is limited because of knee pain, the patient denies a need exists that requires surgery.

Instead, the patient insists that pain is minimal, and that he or she is doing whatever they want with no limitation.

The last attitude old age and disability need is resistance to change. Old age should look for accommodation, not deny it. When both the doctor's experience and the x-ray evidence indicate the need for knee replacement, the patient should not reject, but respond to the recommendation to change.

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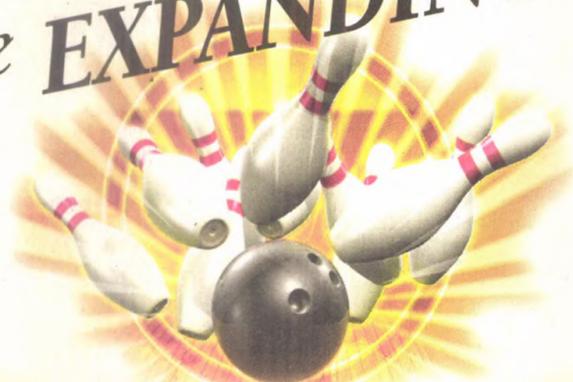
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Birmingham Groves High School

Class of 1975
35th class reunion. Oct. 22-23, will include homecoming game, Friday night, and party, Saturday night, at The Birmingham Community House. Contact groves1975@gmail.com or Groves Class of 1975 - 35th Class Reunion, on Facebook.

Birmingham Seaholm

Class of 1970
40-year reunion, 7 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 18 at The Community House, in Birmingham. Visit www.seaholmclassof70reunion.com for information and to register contact information.

Dearborn Lowrey High School

Classes of 1949-51
A joint reunion of all three classes will be held Sept. 26 at the Warren Valley Golf Club in Dearborn Heights. Call Peggy Webster at (313) 383-4699, Bob Rock at (313) 274-8370 or Shirley Vonn at (313) 291-6069. Or e-mail to yankeesouthern@hotmail.com.

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Class of 1965
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Detroit Mackenzie
Class of 1962
Planning class reunion in 2012. Seeking classmates and contact information. E-mail the committee at mackenzie1962@gmail.com.

Class of 1960
50th reunion will be held Oct. 16 at The Marriott in Livonia. For more information contact: Tim Yarde at (248) 573-7147 or Russ and Judy (Mackinder) Sarns at (734) 464-7166.

Detroit Northwestern
All classes
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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 (Mazey) at (734) 595-7508.

Farmington High School
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Garden City High School
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Class of 1960
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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.

Livona Bentley
Class of 1961
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Plymouth Canton, Salem
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Redford High School
Class of 1960
Reunion Saturday, Sept. 11, at the Radisson Hotel Livonia. For more information call Nancy Foster Lightbody at (734) 425-3099 or e-mail to nlaopie@gmail.com.

Redford Thurston
Class of 1970
40th reunion, 6 p.m., with dinner buffet starting at 7 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 16, at the Radisson Hotel, 17123 Laurel Park Drive, Livonia. \$30 per person. E-mail to Robin Dascenzo Sindici at treasuresoldandnew@sbcglobal.net if interested in attending. Booked rooms also are available at \$79 per night; suites for \$149. Anyone interested in a room reservation must call (734) 464-1300 by Sept. 22 and identify themselves as a member of the Thurston High School 40th reunion group.

Redford Union

Warren Fitzgerald
Class of 1968
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Wayne Memorial High School
Class of 1985
25-year class reunion, Saturday Oct. 9, at the Livonia Marriott; contact Steve Johnson at (734) 635-0369 or Tanya (Ibrahim) Williams at (734) 223-5558.

Class of 1975
35th reunion, Saturday, Sept. 25, at the Livonia Marriott. Buy tickets at www.jghsclass75.com. For more information call Loren Zeidman at (248) 877-0909 or e-mail to l_zeidman@americancredit1.com

Class of 1985
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A regular meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on Thursday, September 2, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI, to consider the following:

1. Z 10-11 319 W. Ann Arbor Trail Non-Use Variance Requested Side Yard Setback Zoned: RM-1, Multiple-Family Residential Applicant: Kevin Duncan
2. Z 10-12 873 N. Mill Non-Use Variance Requested Signage Area Zoned: MU, Mixed Use Applicant: Mizerowski Properties
3. Z 10-14 625 Blunk Non-Use Variance Requested Attached Garage Side Yard Setback Zoned: R-1, Single Family Residential Applicant: Mark Colvin

All interested persons are invited to attend.

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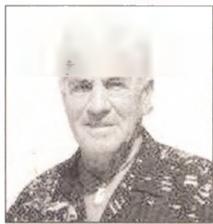
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DONALD R. BIDWELL

Of Ft. Myers, FL and Pittsburgh, PA, formerly of Plymouth, MI, died peacefully at home on Monday, August 16, 2010. He was 83. Don lived life to the fullest, establishing a successful contracting business, traveling to all parts of the world, and charming those he met along the way. Don also served in the Navy during WWII. He is survived by the love of his life Barb McCormick of Ft. Myers, FL and Pittsburgh, PA; his loving children, Jennifer (Tom) Bidwell, Melinda (David) Olson, Donald W. Bidwell; his grandchildren, Jessica (Sam) Zimbabwe and Donald R. Bidwell; his great granddaughter, Celia Jean Zimbabwe and a bounty of wonderful friends. He is also survived by four sisters, Avis Van Sickle, Ardith Kelly, Doreen Van Orsdale, Ann Polan; and three brothers, Calvin (Reta), Duane (Mary), and Gary (Carol) Bidwell. A Celebration of Don's life will be held at 1:00p.m. Sunday August 29, 2010 at Laurel Manor, 39000 Schoolcraft Rd., Livonia, MI. Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of your choice. Family and friends may sign the guest register by visiting: dignifiedcremations.com Affordable Cremations, A Dignified Alternative is in charge of arrangements.

CHARLES "CHUCK" BRADLEY

Age 66, died on August 18, 2010. "To know Chuck was to love Chuck" - and appreciate his love of music, entertainment, and playing his guitar. Chuck played in local venues across southeast Michigan since his move here from Alabama in 1993. Chuck also served in the Air Force. He is survived by his two beautiful daughters Briana, and Calla, his family in Alabama, and his large extended family in Michigan.

MATTHEW N. BROTHERTON

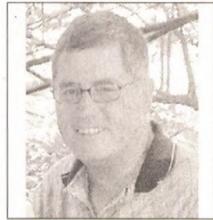
August 19, 2010, age 11, of Westland. Beloved son of Richard and Brenda. Dear brother of Mike Hope, Richard, and Danielle Gribble. Funeral service from Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman Rd. Garden City, Monday 11am. Visitation from The Uht Funeral Home, Westland, Sunday 1-9pm, also at church Monday 10am till time of service. Burial to take place at Oakland Hills Cemetery 2:30pm Monday. Family requests memorials to Angela Hospice, Make-A-Wish, or U. of M. Mott's Children's Hospital. Please view memorial and send tributes at: www.uhtfh.com.

GERALDINE BURGESS

Age 77. August 15, 2010. Beloved wife of the late Frank Burgess for 45 years. Loving mother of Lisa R. Burgess. Dear sister of the late Juanita Milia. Arrangements by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington. www.thayer-rock.com

KAREN J. FOULKS

Age 62, South Lyon, passed away, August 12, 2010 at her home in the care of her loving family. Memorial service held Thursday, August 19 at 2pm at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME.



KENNETH GRAVES

Age 57, of Farmington Hills, Michigan and more recently of Dyer, Indiana, passed away August 14, 2010. Ken leaves behind his beloved family: wife Diane; daughter Aimee and husband Rand Tucker, daughter Angela, son Joseph and wife Kimberly; grandsons Trey, Ethan, and Abraham; step-mother Thelma Graves; siblings Sharon Byers, Deborah Bean, Patricia McLouth, Mike Haynes, Diane Graham, and Jerry Haynes; along with a host of friends, neighbors, and colleagues whom he loved. He was preceded in death by his son, Andrew; mother, Sylvia Haynes; father, Norman Graves; and step-father, William Haynes. A memorial service celebrating Ken's life will be held on Saturday, August 21, 2010 at 1 PM at Oak Pointe Church, 50200 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI, 48374 with Pastor Rand Tucker officiating. Instead of flowers, those desiring may make tax-deductible memorial contributions to the RememberThePoor Fund through the Hyde Park Vineyard Church, 1507 E. 53rd St., #883, Chicago, IL 60615. Ken was a 1971 graduate of Adrian High School and graduated from the University of Michigan in 1975. He worked as a senior managing financial consultant at IBM. Moved by the goals of justice and mercy, Ken recently launched rememberthepoor.net to help the Church to remember the poor.

GENEVA F. HASLEY

Age 83, Farmington Hills, MI. Passed away August 13, 2010. Arrangements by: Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, MI.

DR. RONALD E. KNAUFF

Age 83, of Saugatuck, MI, died Saturday, August 14, 2010, at Holland Hospital. Dr. Knauff was born in Girard, OH May 1, 1927. A graduate of the University of Chicago Medical School, he was a member of the American Medical Association. Dr. Knauff was a physician for over 40 years in family medical practice in Southfield, and during the last 10 years, specializing in geriatric medicine prior to his retirement. A veteran of the US Marine Corp and the US Navy, he served as a Medic during World War II and the Korean War. Preceding him in death were his parents, Paul N. and Thelma F. (Culp) Knauff; Sister, JoAnne Knauff, and a brother, Kenneth A. Knauff. Surviving are his partner of 33 years, Gary Shaw, of Saugatuck; sister-in-law, Carol (Tom) Doty; Gary's mom, Marjorie Sonc, brother, Thomas Shaw and friend Dean Scott; nieces and nephews, Karl A. (Terry) Knauff, Rhonda L. (John) Greer, Jeffrey P. (Susan) Knauff, Brenda F. (Ernest) Moore, Jayne A. (Rhett) Hatchell; 14 great-nieces and nephews; and 15 great-great-nieces, and nephews. Burial will be in Girard City Cemetery in Girard, OH. No services are scheduled at this time. Arrangements are by the Dykstra Life Story Funeral Homes www.lifestorynet.com, Holland, MI

RONALD B. ROBINSON

Of Farmington, MI, age 65, passed away on August 15, 2010. Ronald was born on August 22, 1944 in Detroit, MI to Myles and Florence (Hedrick) Robinson. Survivors include his mother Florence Robinson, and siblings Sandra Testerman, Carol Stevenson, Bill Stevenson, Douglas Robinson, Timothy Robinson, and Robin Robinson. Ronald is preceded in death by his father Myles and his brother Bryan. A Simple Farewell will be held Saturday August 21 at 12:00 PM at Borek Jennings, Lamb Chapel. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to the Narcotics Anonymous. Envelopes will be available at Borek Jennings Funeral Home, Lamb Chapel where the family will gather with friends 2 hours prior to service. Please leave a Message of Comfort to Ronald's family by calling 877-231-7900, or sign his guestbook at www.borekjennings.com.

WILLIAM H. SHELDON JR.

August 19, 2010 Age 90 of Wayne. Survived by his sister Lois Mae Trower of Lewiston and three nieces and nephews. Retired postal employee from the Wayne Post Office. Cremation rights were accorded. Family will have a private service at a later date

BERNICE RUTH (ELLIOTT) STURNER

Born March 18, 1935, is survived by her loving husband of 56 years, Edward (Tom) Sturner, four children, Thomas (Pam) Sturner of Lapeer, Sandra Sturner of St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, Randall Sturner of Pontiac, Richard Sturner of Oxford, three grandchildren, Elliott & Travis Sturner of Lapeer and Marshon Sturner of Detroit. Bernice, a member of Rochester's Junior Women's Club, put 120% into all endeavors, whether it was gardening, needle work, cooking, decorating or business ventures. She was preceded in death by her parents, Ferris & Elsie (Brown) Elliott of Royal Oak, Michigan & Bradenton, Florida. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Tidewell Hospice online at: www.tidewell.org or call: 1-800-959-4291, ext. 7697



LUCILLE U. BURKHART-MOSES

Lucille Uptegraff Burkhardt-Moses, 92, died on July 26, 2010 in Silver Spring, Md. She had retired from Birmingham Public Schools in 1984 after 26 years of service. She attended the First Presbyterian Church, was an active supporter of the Baldwin Library and volunteered for many years at St Joseph Mercy Hospital. She attended the University of Pittsburgh and later Temple University, from which she received a BA in 1955. She was first married to the late Eugene L. Burkhardt in 1938. In 1995 she married the late Campbell Moses, Jr, MD, whom she had known since sixth grade. They resided in New York City and Spring Lake, NJ. After her husband's death in 2007, she moved to a retirement home in Silver Spring. She had many good times with her friends in the Birmingham area and cherished their friendship always. She is survived by her daughter, Susan Burkhardt of London, UK, and sons, Michael Burkhardt of Aiken, SC, and Geoffrey Burkhardt of Takoma Park, MD and his partner, Bruce R. Williams. Interment will be private. Friends may leave messages for the family at the Eccentric website or at: simpletribute.com



LISA MARIE TEETZAL (Altenbach)
 12/10/1959 to 8/7/2010

Born in Lima, OH. Lisa moved to Westland in 1970. She graduated in 1978 from JGHS and worked for Kroger Foods for 17 yrs. Lisa was mother to Alicia and Danny, grandmother to Kayden. Survived by parents David Altenbach Sr. (Jan) and Sandra Johnson (Terry), siblings Lori, David, Wendy, Robert and Russell, predeceased by brother Brian. Lisa passed on with loving family at her side and will come to rest at Knollwood Cemetery in Canton, MI.

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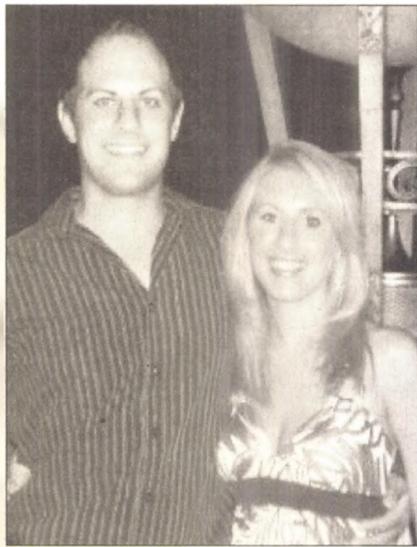
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Wedding planned

Richard and Jeanette Smith of Farmington Hills, announce the engagement of their daughter, Holly Anne, to Kevin Orr, son of Dawn Orr and David Orr, of Sterling Heights. The bride-to-be is a graduate of University of Michigan where she received an undergraduate degree in education. She is pursuing a master's specialist degree in school psychology in Chicago, Ill. The groom-elect is a graduate of the University of Michigan. He received his degree in cellular and molecular biology. After attending medical school in Chicago, he began his residency in anesthesiology at Loyola University Hospital. The couple plans a summer 2011 wedding.

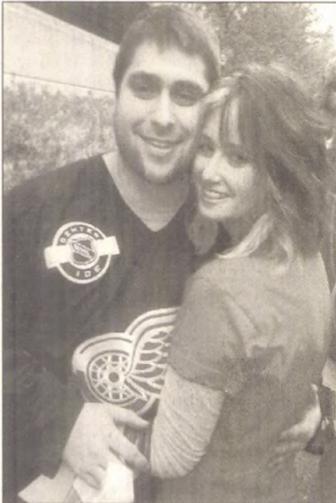


Smith-Orr

November wedding planned

Maggie MacDonald and Daniel Joseph LaMonica announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of John and Terese MacDonald of Livonia, is a Livonia Stevenson High School graduate. She works as a hairstylist at V-Salon in Livonia. Her fiancé, son of Samuel Bernard and Theresa LaMonica III of Livonia, also graduated from Stevenson High School. He is employed by MacFarland Painting Company. A November 2010 wedding is planned at St. Genevieve, Livonia.



MacDonald-LaMonica



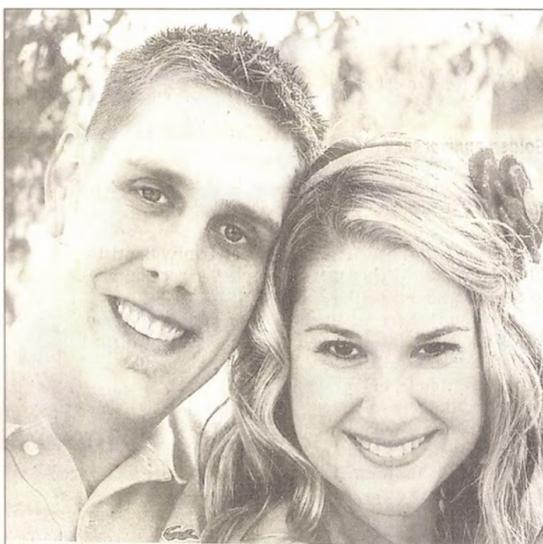
Behrendsen-Foley

Marriage announcement

Dennis Behrendsen of Livonia and Debbie Foley of Plymouth were married May 30, 2010, at the bride's home. The Rev. Dana Runestad officiated. Granddaughter Heidi Kasten served as flower girl. The bride, daughter of Robert and Beth Doll of Milford, and the groom are both retired from Ford Motor Company. The couple resides in Livonia.

Summer wedding planned

Kathryn Elizabeth Host and Ryan York Anderson announce their engagement. The bride-to-be, daughter of Kiren Bailey of Gilbert, Ariz., and the late David Host, graduated from Mt. Pointe High School in Phoenix, Ariz., in 1997 and attended Arizona State University. She is employed by Olsson Associates as a team coordinator. Her fiancé, son of Gus and Connie Anderson of Westland, graduated in 1997 from Divine Child in Dearborn and in 2009 from the Scottsdale Culinary Institute in Scottsdale, Ariz. He is a chef and kitchen supervisor at Sushi Roku in Scottsdale. A summer 2011 wedding is planned.



Host-Anderson

October wedding planned

Jacqueline Marie Lolli and Jeffrey Allan Andes announce their engagement. The bride-to-be, daughter of James and Carol Lolli of Gilbert, Ariz., is a human resources manager for a large cardioVascular clinic. Her fiancé, son of Kirk and LuAnn Andes of Canton, is a Michigan State University graduate and a human resources business partner-generalist with Apollo Group. An October 2010 wedding is planned at The Farm at South Mountain, Phoenix, Ariz.



Lolli-Andes

AUDITIONS SET FOR YOUTH ORCHESTRAS

The Celebration Youth Orchestras, (CYO) a sponsored project of the Plymouth Symphony, will hold auditions for the 2010-2011 season on Friday, Aug. 27, at Evola Music, 7170 Haggerty, in Canton. Under the direction of award-winning conductor, Nan Washburn, the Celebration Youth Orchestras provide a unique, enriching and exciting musical experience for aspiring young players throughout Southeastern Michigan, especially in Plymouth, Canton, Northville, Bellville,

Westland and other areas of Western Wayne County, as well as Novi in Oakland County. The CYO currently offers a full program of three orchestras and a flute choir, workshops and master classes with prominent guest soloists and composers and yearly side-by-side performances with the professional musicians of the Plymouth Symphony and Orchestra Canton. CYO students attend many different local area public and private schools and homeschooled. Students perform two major concerts at the Village

Theatre at Cherry Hill in Canton. Weekly Tuesday evening rehearsals are held at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, also the new home for the Plymouth Canton Symphony Society offices. Those interested in auditioning should contact Jane Libbing at the Plymouth Canton Symphony Orchestras office at (734) 451-2112 or e-mail her at jane@plymouthsymphony.org. To learn more about the Celebration Youth Orchestras visit www.celebrationyouthorchestras.org

Engagements



Borchart-Krzyaniak

Holly Ann Borchart and Nathan Anthony Krzyaniak announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Brian Borchart of Livonia and Tracy Lynn of Ocala, Fla., is a 2002 graduate of Churchill High School. She earned a bachelor of science degree in biopsychology and cognitive science from the University of Michigan in 2006, and a master of social work degree from Wayne State University in 2008. She is employed as a medical social worker.

Her fiancé, son of Daniel and Diane Krzyaniak of Livonia, is a 2002 graduate of Churchill High School. He earned a bachelor of science degree in astrophysics from Michigan State University in 2006. He is a first lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force.

A September 2010 wedding is planned in Farmington Hills. The couple resides in North Las Vegas, Nev.



Smith-Reeser

Shaina Smith and David Reeser announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Phillip and Janet Smith of Canton, graduated in 2002 from Plymouth-Canton High School. She earned a B.A. degree from Purdue University and is employed at the Make-A-Wish Foundation National Office in Phoenix, Ariz.

Her fiancé, son of Denise Reeser of Canton and late Tom Reeser, graduated in 2002 from Plymouth-Canton High School. He earned a B.B.A. degree from Eastern Michigan University. He is employed by the Valley of the Sun YMCA in Phoenix, Ariz.

An October 2010 wedding is planned in Ann Arbor.



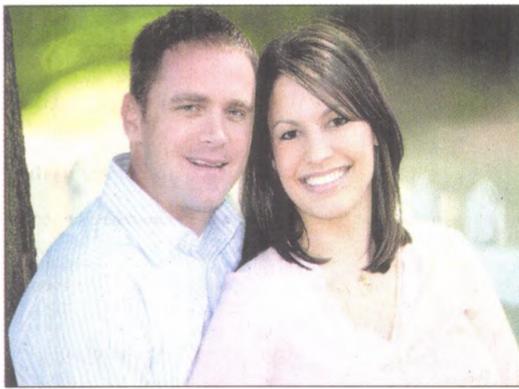
Barrett-Sullivan

Elizabeth Diane Barrett and Patrick Michael Sullivan announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Diane and Paul Barrett of Livonia, graduated from Livonia Franklin High School in 2001. She received a B.A. degree from Michigan State University and a master's degree from the University of Sydney in Australia. She works as a curator at the Arab American National Museum in Dearborn.

Her fiancé, son of Ellen and Paul Sullivan of Columbus, Ohio, graduated in 2004 from Bishop Waterson High School in Columbus, Ohio. He received a B.A. degree from Miami University of Ohio and a master's degree from the University of Sydney in Australia. He works as an account assistant at Marx Layne and Company in Farmington Hills.

A September 2010 wedding is planned at the Wilcox House in Plymouth.



Benages-Gold

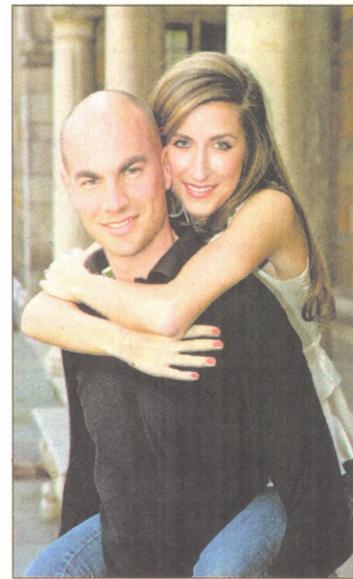
Katie Benages and Matt Gold announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Frank and Lisa Benages of Plymouth, graduated from Plymouth-Salem High School and earned a bachelor's degree from Miami University in Ohio.

She is employed as a key account manager with Fathead in Livonia.

Her fiancé, son of Gary and Kathy Gold of Novi, graduated from Plymouth Salem High School and earned a bachelor's degree from Western Michigan University and a master's degree from Eastern Michigan University. He teaches at Hulsing Elementary School.

A September 2010 wedding is planned in Plymouth.



Binder-Andrey

Ginger Nicole Binder and Willy Jean Pierre Andrey announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Cindi and Steven Binder of Plymouth, is a 2003 graduate of Canton High School. She earned a bachelor's degree in computer science in 2009 from Madonna University and is employed as an online advertising associate at Google in Ann Arbor.

Her fiancé, son of Christiane and Marc Andrey of Brignoles, France, earned a master's degree in finance and economics in 2006 from University of Paul Cezanne in Aix-en-provence, France. He is employed as assistant controller at ITER Organization in Saint Paul-lez-Durance, France.

The couple plans an October 2010 wedding at Chateau Grand Boise in Trets-en-Provence, France. After wedding, the newlyweds will reside in the South of France.

Anniversaries

Golden anniversary

Jim and Bobbie Valade of Livonia recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with family and friends.

The couple married June 18, 1960, at Trinity Baptist Church in Detroit. They met at Temple Baptist Church in Detroit in January 1959.

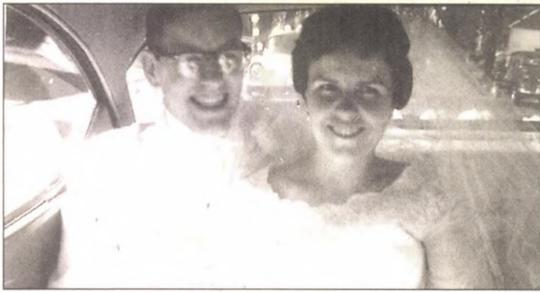
Their children are Kevin and Debbie Parkyn of Salem Township, Steve and Lisa Kaukonen of South Lyon and the late Karen Valade. They have eight grandchildren.

Jim is retired from Ford Motor Company in Dearborn. Bobbie is a homemaker and worked as a secretary for several years.

The couple is active in The Joy Club and enjoy spending time with family and friends.



Jim and Bobbie Valade of Livonia



Jim and Bobbie Valade of Livonia on their wedding day.

Celebrating 35 years

Rick and Mary Jo (Hammer) Halleck of Farmington Hills will celebrate their 35th wedding anniversary Monday, Aug. 23.

The couple married in 1975 at Our Lady of Sorrows in Farmington Hills.

They have three children, Shawn Kapanowski, Jody Cardoni and Jonathan Halleck.

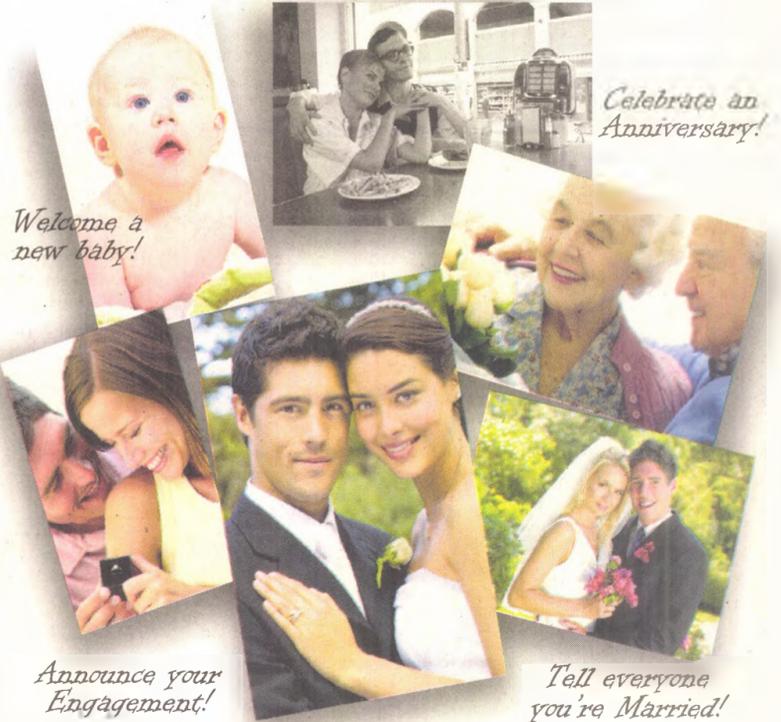
The couple enjoys spending lots of time with their two grandsons, Drew and Blake, having backyard barbecues and bonfires.

Rick is retired from General Motors Corp., and Mary Jo has worked for Farmington Public Schools for the last 15 years.



Rick and Mary Jo Halleck of Farmington Hills on their wedding day.

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25 Employers Hiring In August

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In order to ease some of the anxiety of a job hunt, we've decided to bring the jobs to you. Across all industries throughout the country, these companies are ready to hire qualified workers in August. In other words, they want hard workers like you. You've spent a lot of your energy getting ready for the right job, so we have put together a list of 25 companies hiring right now:

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Industry: Health care
Number of openings: 1,200
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accounting, marketing
Location: Florida, Texas, Illinois, Georgia, North Carolina, Tennessee, Kansas, Colorado, Kentucky, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Missouri

AT&T
Industry: Telecommunications
Number of openings: 2,000
Sample job titles: Retail sales consultants, retail store managers, call center customer service representatives, premises technicians
Location: Nationwide

Auto-Wares
Industry: Automotive parts/retail
Number of openings: 57
Sample job titles: Counter sales, parts delivery
Location: Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois, Ohio

CB Richard Ellis, Inc.
Industry: Corporate real estate
Number of openings: 187
Sample job titles: Service engineer, senior IT BSA, financial analyst
Location: New York, Los Angeles, Dallas, and more.

Comerica Bank
Industry: Banking/financial services
Number of openings: 50
Sample job titles: Customer service representatives, assistant banking center managers, banking center managers and commercial banking officers
Location: Texas, Arizona, California, Florida and Michigan

Enterprise Rent-A-Car
Industry: Travel/tourism
Number of openings: 500

Sample job titles: Sales/management trainee
Location: Nationwide

Freeport McMoran
Industry: Mining
Number of openings: 450
Sample job titles: Architect, mechanical engineer, accountant,

Guitar Center
Industry: Retail
Number of openings: 55
Sample job titles: CRM business architect, manager of user experience, senior marketing campaign analyst
Location: Westlake



benefits analyst, truck driver, mechanic
Location: Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Texas, Connecticut

Gentex Corporation
Industry: Automotive electronics
Number of openings: 140
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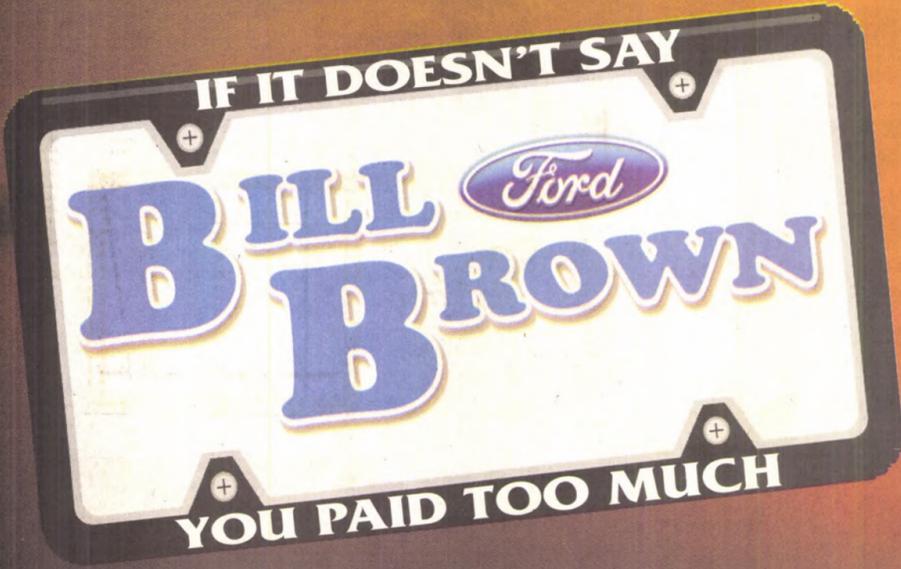
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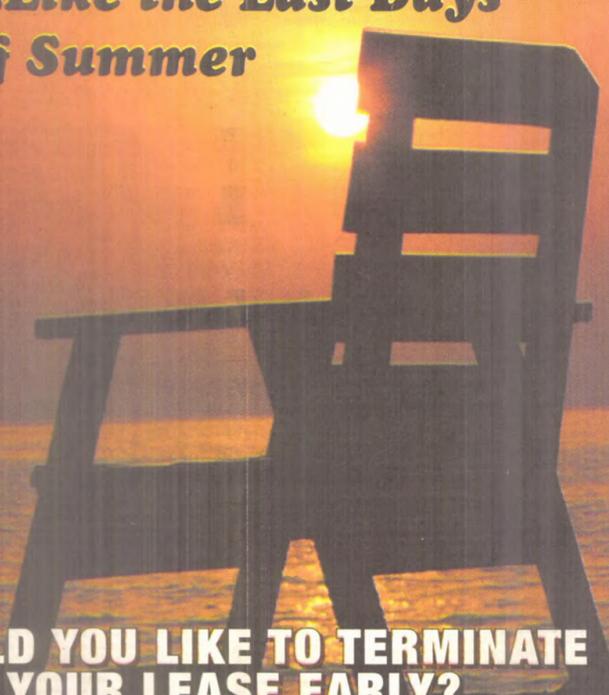
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