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PIPELINE

School board honor

Plymouth-Canton Board of Education President John Jackson recently earned the Award of Distinction from the Michigan Association of School Boards. Previously, he earned the Certified Board Member Designation and Award of Merit.

Jackson was one of 23 Wayne County school board members recognized at



Wyandotte High School for their efforts to improve their leadership skills and become

more effective school leaders by demonstrating their commitment to student achievement and their own continuous improvement. Awards are earned for classes completed in MASB's leadership training program, as well as for conference attendance, years of service and leadership activities.

"School districts are under exceptional pressure to be innovative and to reinvent the way we deliver education. In this environment, it's more important than ever that our school leaders are informed and have the most up-to-date information available," said MASB Executive Director Kathy Hayes. "Training equips them with the tools necessary to make the best decisions for Michigan's school children."

Movie screening

State Sen. Patrick Colbeck, R-Canton, hosts a free public screening of the education documentary "Waiting for Superman," 7 p.m. Monday, May 16, at the Flat Rock Community Center, 1 Maguire in Flat Rock. Immediately following the screening will be a panel discussion focused on the issues raised in the film.

The evening's panelists include Colbeck and Senate Education Committee members Hoon-Yung Hoopgood, D-Taylor, Sen. Bert Johnson, D-Highland Park and former senator and Education Committee chair Wayne Kuipers, R-Holland.

The documentary has won critical acclaim from film critics, the media and members of the education community.

Jazz @ the Elks

The next Jazz @ The Elks concert will be 7-10:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 24, at the Plymouth Elks Lodge No. 1780 at 41700 Ann Arbor Road (just west of Haggerty) in Plymouth.

This month, the Elks are featuring Ron Kischuck on trombone, Judie Cochill on vocals, Marion Hayden on bass and Gary Schunk on keyboard. There is a \$5 donation with complimentary hors d'oeuvres.

For more information, call (734) 453-1780 or visit www.plymouthelks1789.com.



Former Plymouth Township resident, whose parents still live in town, will spend the summer performing at The Barn Theatre in Augusta, Mich. This will be Chizek's third summer working at The Barn, one of the oldest professional summer stock theater companies in the country.

'Barn' storming

Gig gives local actor chance to live out dreams

BY JILL HALPIN
CORRESPONDENT

Katrina Chizek, bitten by the acting bug when she first hit the stage 15 years ago in a local production of *Les Miserables*, has never looked back.

"It was my first big show and I realized how much I liked it," Chizek said of her performance with the Whistle Stop Players, a performing arts group from the Plymouth Community Arts Council. After touring local schools to perform, "I knew this was what I wanted to do," she said.

Chizek, a former Plymouth Township resident now living outside Los Angeles, was in town this week to visit her parents, Phillip and Kathleen Chizek. This month, she heads west where she will spend the summer performing at The Barn Theatre in Augusta, Mich. This will be Chizek's third summer working at The Barn, one of the oldest professional summer stock theater companies in the country.

According to Chizek, working all summer long at The Barn is a tremendous opportunity for aspiring performers. The Barn is renowned in the acting community, turning out a wide variety of television and movie actors, Chizek said. As a third-year apprentice at The Barn, she will sing, dance and act in eight



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plays as well as work in the technical production department.

"We (apprentice actors) do everything, from set production to costumes design to performing. I even learned how to weld," Chizek said. Actors must audition for a position at The Barn, but once accepted they are eligible to begin earning points toward their Actors Equity card and become a member of the Actors Equity Association. The AEA is the labor union that represents actors and stage managers.

Barn a stepping stone for screen stars, A5.

After this summer season, Chizek will be eligible for her card.

Obtaining her Actors Equity card is somewhat of a milestone for Chizek.

THE RIGHT STEPS

"It means I'm taking the right steps, following the right path," she said. Although apprentices work long and hard hours, "so many people who have been through The Barn have made it big," that it makes it worth the effort, she said. The Barn also provides an opportunity to work closely with Broadway actors and directors, attracting former apprentice actors who often visit throughout the summer. Barn alumni include Jennifer Garner and Lauren Graham. Working closely with professionals has only reinforced Chizek's desire for the spotlight.

"It just means so much to work with people who have already made it in the business and to develop a connection with them," she said.

Chizek recalls a Barn performance of the award-winning rock opera, *Rent*, which was written by former Barn apprentice Jonathan Larson. Larson won both a Pulitzer Prize and Tony Award for the powerful show, which deals with

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New chief's first charge: fill openings

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

One of the first challenges Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education trustees want their new interim superintendent Dr. Jeremy Hughes to tackle is the filling of key positions being vacated by retirements among the district's leadership team.

Mike Bender didn't make that job any easier this week.

Bender, the district's director of secondary education, announced he's leaving to accept a position as assistant superintendent for instructional services for Utica Community Schools. The job is a step up in terms of career positioning and in terms of district size. Utica is the state's second-largest district, ahead of Plymouth-Canton.

"Plymouth-Canton has been an absolutely wonderful district ... I've been proud to serve alongside so many wonderful teachers, staff and administrators," Bender said. "Utica provides a great opportunity for advancement. It's a great district, and the opportunity to provide leadership in Utica is very attractive."

Bender's departure leaves Hughes with several pairs of shoes to fill:

- Deputy Superintendent Ken Jacobs is scheduled to retire shortly after the 2011-12 school year begins. He took advantage of the state's retirement plan, offered last year, that allows potential retirees to factor their retirement with a 1.6-percent multiplier rather than 1.5 percent.

- Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services Dr. Cindy Swift who, like Jacobs, took the retirement incentive. Also like Jacobs, she filed for a one-year extension, which means she must retire by Sept. 1. She could opt to withdraw her retirement and work another year, but, according to state officials, she'd have to give up the extra percentage point on her retirement.

- Director of Student Services Bob Hayes retired in December, and was replaced by former Tonda Elementary Principal Kurt Tyszkewicz on an interim basis. Hughes will have to decide whether to leave Tyszkewicz — like Hughes, he was an applicant for the interim superintendent job — in place permanently.

- Director of Elementary Education George Belvitch is scheduled to retire when this school year ends.

- The district will also lose four principals:



Swift



Jacobs

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Free Senior Expo set for Tuesday

Join hundreds of senior adults, their families and friends from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 17, for the *Observer & Eccentric* annual Spring Senior Expo.

O&E Web Editor Larry Ruehlen will be on hand to answer web-based questions about hometownlife.com and help seniors who want to learn more about Facebook and Twitter. Facebook is a great way to keep in touch with your grandchildren no matter how far away they may be and Larry is the guy to

show you how to get started.

Photographer John Heider will be on hand to shoot a video montage of seniors at the event. Stop by the *O&E* exhibit booth for more information.

Tuesday's event features more than 60 exhibitors, speakers, programs and demonstrations. Learn a lot then have some fun playing the Senior Feud. The Entertainment Network of Southfield will host this version of Senior Feud (a fun spoof of the original show

Family Feud). This realistic, high-tech game show system has it all — questions, sound effects, real digital scoring and lots of prizes.

Throughout the expo, The Entertainment Network will have fun-filled activities available every hour, including name that tune, TV trivia and more. Come play and win.

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Local seniors flocked to last year's Senior Expo held at Schoolcraft College's VistaTech Center in Livonia.



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AROUND PLYMOUTH

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

Top volunteers

Date/Time: Through Friday, May 20
Location: Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce
Details: The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce is still looking for nominations from local groups for their Volunteers of the Year. All of the Volunteers of the Year will be recognized at the Showcase Plymouth/Taste of Plymouth event being hosted May 23 at the Inn at St. John's.

Contact: Wes Graff, (734) 453-1540

Veterans car wash

Date/Time: Sunday, May 15, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Location: Main Street Auto Wash, 1191 S. Main in Plymouth

Details: The Vietnam Veterans of American Chapter 528 sponsor their annual car wash, with owner Phil Pursell providing the day's proceeds to the veterans. No coupons or credit cards will be taken by the veterans. Money raised will help veterans and the chapter's local projects.

Preschool open house

Date/Time: Wednesday, June 1, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. or 5-7 p.m.

Location: Plymouth Salvation Army Corps, Main Street just south of Ann Arbor Road

Details: The Salvation Army offers its Tiny Tots Preschool for ages 3 to 5. Come and meet the teachers and see the classroom. To register for the fall's classes, bring \$35 for the registration fee.

Contact: Call Sheila Johnson at the Salvation Army, (734) 453-5464. More information is also available online at www.misalplymouth.org.

Scrapbooking event

Date/Time: Saturday, May 21, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Location: Plymouth Salvation Army, 9451 S. Main (south of Ann Arbor Road)

Details: Scrapbookers and card-makers are invited to a 12-hour National Scrapbook Day workshop. Scrapbookers can choose between a full day or half day. The cost is \$40 for 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., or \$25 for a half day. In addition to getting scrapbooking time, meals, and goody bags, attendees will be helping to support the Salvation Army's Tiny Tots preschool program.

Contact: Cassie Hull by May 16 at

(734) 612-9000 or e-mail cassiekh@gmail.com.

Run for Hope

Time/Date: 8 a.m. Saturday, May 14
Location: Maybury State Park, 20145 Beck, in Northville

Details: The fifth annual Run for Hope is a 5K run/walk presented by Northville Roadrunners to benefit New Hope Center for Grief Support. Fitness expert Peter Nielsen will be in attendance. Pre-register online by May 2 at www.firstgiving.com/newhopecenter. Registration forms and more information are available at www.newhopecenter.net. Registration the day of the event is at 8 a.m. Cost is \$25 for people 16 and over and \$15 for children 8-15 who register by May 2. After May 2, and day of the race add \$5. Children under 8 are free.

Contact: New Hope Center, (248) 348-0115

Farm exhibit

Time/Date: 1-4 p.m. Tuesdays; 2-5 p.m. Thursdays; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays, April through November

Location: Canton Historical Museum, corner of Canton Center and Heritage Park Drive in Canton
Details: Ever wondered what living in Canton back in the 1800s was like and who lived and worked on the land many now call home? Bring the whole family to experience the Canton Historical Museum's highly anticipated new exhibit, "Whose

Farm Do You Live On." Learn the history of this thriving farming community from the 1800s and well into the 1900s before its transformation by land developers in the 1930s. Find out who originally purchased the land and the names of families who lived there. View tools used by these families for farming, personal care, cooking, play and education.
Contact: For additional information, visit www.cantonhistoricalsociety.org or call (734) 397-0088.

Library friends

Date/Time: Monday, May 23, 11:30 a.m.

Location: Fox Hills Country Club in Plymouth

Details: The Friends of the Plymouth, Canton, Novi, and Northville Public Libraries are sponsoring a book and author luncheon, which will be held at Fox Hills Country Club. The cost is \$25. The featured speaker will be Wall Street Journal columnist Jeffrey Zaslow, who has authored the best sellers, *The Girls from Ames*, and *The Last Lecture*, as well as *Highest Duty*, a memoir of Captain Sully Sullenberg, the pilot who successfully landed U.S. Airways Flight 1549 in the Hudson River. This is the 25th anniversary of the book and author luncheon.
Contact: Tickets may be purchased between April 15 and May 15 at the Plymouth, Canton, Novi, and Northville Public Libraries. No tickets will be available at the door.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Sheldon Center is expected to close this week as work begins on the long-awaited improvement project.

Sheldon Center set to close for work

Beginning next week, weather permitting, Sheldon Center Road will be closed between Amy Lane and the Canton Center/Sheldon Center intersection as crews begin work on the highly anticipated Sheldon Center Road Reconstruction Project.

In addition to the Sheldon Center closure, Charrington Drive will be closed in both directions at Sheldon Center.

The reconstruction of Sheldon Center is a large-scale project that may take two years to complete. Construction on this project includes widening Canton Center Road to five lanes from

Warren Road to where Canton Center Road splits and turns to the northwest; reconstructing and widening Sheldon Center Road to five lanes from Canton Center Road to Joy Road; and reconstructing the Sheldon Road connector to three lanes from Sheldon Road to Sheldon Center Road.

Canton Township officials are urging drivers to drive safely through the construction area and follow all posted detours. For up-to-date information on construction projects going on in Canton follow facebook.com/cantonmsd, twitter.com/cantonmsd or visit www.canton-mi.org.

Council hosts senior fitness day

The Plymouth Community Council on Aging, partnering with the Plymouth Community Senior Transportation, hosts the annual "National Senior Health and Fitness Day Expo."

The event takes place 10 a.m. to noon Wednesday, May 25, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, in Plymouth.

Admission to the expo is free. No RSVP is necessary. For more information, call (734) 453-1234, ext. 236.

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Commissioners focus on education, opt not to see re-election

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Their focus on public education has prompted decisions by two Plymouth City Commission members to not seek re-election in this year's commission race.

Commissioners John Barrett and David Workman, who will continue to serve until after the Tuesday, Nov. 8, election, both say they want to devote more time to education issues, which have been receiving increasing attention as district officials across the state manage budget cuts while trying to implement school reforms that supporters say are designed to cut costs and improve outcomes.

Workman is in his second four-year term on the commission, having been first elected in 2003. Barrett was elected to

a two-year term in 2009.

SCHOOL BOARD BID

Barrett, who spent a more than 40-year career as an educator and retired in 2009 after 11 years as the principal at Farmington High School, said he's entered this year's race for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education.

Barrett is the City Commission's liaison to the school board — a role he pioneered — and said a district workshop last summer, in which participants discussed their vision for the district's future, motivated him to get re-involved in education.

In addition, several people, some he'd known previously and others he'd met through the workshop, urged him to seek a spot on the school board, Barrett said.



Workman



Barrett

"I sort of got fired up again to get back into the education circle," he said.

Barrett said he's enjoyed his time on the commission. "It was a very interesting two years. Gave me some great insight into how the city operates," he said.

He added he's pleased to see city officials dealing with budget issues, in a time of falling revenue, "in a sensible and controlled way," something he said started before his time on the commission. He said the commission has a good handle

on controlling spending and maintaining the right mix to keep Plymouth "dynamic."

"It's not like there's a batch of leftover issues," he said.

Workman is an elementary school teacher in the Farmington Public Schools and currently the full-time president of the Farmington Education Association, the union that represents some 815 teachers and other instructional personnel in the district.

He said ongoing contract negotiations, district budget constraints and a "barrage" of state legislation directed at school districts and their employees is demanding more of his attention in the Farmington district and that he fears he wouldn't be "doing justice" to both roles should he win a third City Commission term. "I'm not going anywhere. I

just need to be able to focus on this other barrage," Workman said.

TEAM EFFORT PRAISED

Workman said he came to the commission with the goal of building a strong team of "good neighbors" who would work for the benefit of the city despite differences. That goal, he said, has been accomplished.

"Quite honestly, I'm not sure there's been a better group of people, working together for a common interest, ever, at least in the short term," Workman said. "I may have a biased view."

Barrett agreed. "They were great people to work with, and I'll still be working with them for a few months," he said.

Workman counted the city's role in the construction of the Sheldon Road underpass and the city's bonding program

for the ongoing replacement and repair of local streets as among the big successes during his commission tenure.

Like Barrett, Workman, over several years, in controlling costs.

"I'd love to take credit for that, but that's the city management and the workers here. ... It is part of a team that made that happen," he said.

In the City Commission race are incumbents Ed Hingelberg and Michael Wright, plus newcomers Megan Dooley, Oliver Wolcott and Diane Bogenrieder. The top four vote-getters in the November election will win commission spots, with the top three getting four-year terms and the fourth-place finisher getting a two-year term.

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and 9:45 a.m.

- Westland Senior Resources Center (the Friendship Center), 1119 Newburgh Road, pickup at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

- Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, pickup at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Trolley seats are limited, so RSVP is a must. Call Choya Jordan at (313) 222-2412 or e-mail her at cbjordan@hometownlife.com to reserve a seat.

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Allen Elementary School's Marcia Moore; Sue Kely of Bird Elementary; Amy Potts of East Middle School; and Lynn Haire of Miller Elementary.

Hughes said he'll decide how to fill the jobs after talking with staff and school board members.

"The first thing I need to know is which jobs the board wants me to fill permanently and which ones would be more of an interim basis, to give the new (permanent) superintendent a chance to choose his own people," Hughes said. "I'll talk to the staff and the board, to see perhaps if there are people being groomed for those kinds of leadership positions."

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Writer shares love of poetry with students

BY MAGGIE WUNDERLICH
 CORRESPONDENT

"Follow your dreams!" Brod Bagert demands of his audiences.

The award-winning author speaks from experience. After a 21-year law career and service in public office, Bagert pursued his childhood dream of being a professional poet.

His message was well received at Dodson Elementary School in Canton during a recent visit where he shared his love of poetry. The students were thrilled by Bagert's action-packed interactive performance, as well as an evening of family fun.

Bagert grew up in New Orleans, where he currently lives with his wife, Debby, and their four children. One day, his daughter needed a poem to recite for an elocution contest. She wanted to act out the poem and make everyone laugh. They searched popular children's poetry, but couldn't find many in the voice of a child. This gap in poetry caused him to write the poem for her and this proved to be a pivotal time in his life because it led to his new career as a poet.

If Only I Could Fly is Bagert's first published book of poetry. He self-published it in 1984, after friends and family wanted his poems. The book took off and he began speaking at conferences. It gradually started taking over his life and he became a full time poet.

Bagert has published 10



JENNIFER WILMARTH

Brod Bagert performs a poem for the all-school assembly at Dodson Elementary.

books of poetry for children and two for young adults, including *Giant Children* and *Hormone Jungle: Coming of Age in Middle School*. He co-authored an educational series, *Poet and the Professor Poems for Building Reading Skills*, with well-known fluency expert, Timothy V. Rasinski, Ph.D. Bagert also published five books for adults, including *Steel Cables*, a book of love poems.

When Bagert writes for specific audiences, he creates a character, gives him a name and personality and adds in dramatic elements. He focuses on what's going on in the character's life, patterns of voice and speech, specific sounds, vocabulary and habits.

This is similar to what a playwright or novelist does. By the character's actions, the reader concludes what the feelings are about.

"This makes it metaphorically universal," Bagert said. "The character pursues a goal or experiences a conflict and expresses emotion. The moment the reader identifies with the character, the poem is not about somebody else. It becomes about the reader."

During his performances, Bagert draws his energy from his audience. He is quite animated, and even plays the harmonica. When he recites his poems, he is passionate and gets the students excited about poetry, too. He is a firm believer that, "Oral recitation

can be the foundation of a successful curriculum ... and reciting poetry becomes the opportunity to do that."

In fact, his poems are written with the intention of being read aloud and acted out. He encourages students to find a poem they like.

Bagert believes there is a lot of bad poetry out there, but that should not discourage someone from finding one they like.

"You might have to go through 100 poems before you find one, then memorize it and make it part of yourself and you have a treasure inside yourself," he said. "After you find a dozen poems that you like and you've memorized them over a period of 10 years, you've got a vast wealth that keeps giving to you every day because you'll hear the lines of poems as you live your life and that's what it's like to be a poetry lover."

While Bagert's style is unique, he's been influenced by writers such as Miguel de Cervantes, author of *Don Quixote*, Shakespeare (for his sense of humor) and Robert Frost (for central metaphors). Robert Burns' work taught him about central metaphors in transactions between two characters and Emily Dickenson taught him how words can be quiet and powerful at the same time. He greatly admires José Martí, as a writer and a Cuban national hero, "who was passionate, had heart and intellect".

For more information, e-mail info@brodbagert.com or go to www.brodbagert.com.



Activities for Early Childhood's Book Land revolved around activities and games based on a favorite book.

Book Land promotes childhood literacy

Staffers at the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Early Childhood Development hosted the second annual Book Land preschool literacy event, the latest event in the effort to promote literacy among youngsters.

The event took place at Hulsing Elementary School, which houses four preschool classrooms. Each room conducted activities and games based on a favorite book: *Chicka Chicka Boom Boom*, *The Gingerbread Man*, *The Three Little Pigs* and *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*.

Preschool children also enjoyed face painting, pictures with Clifford the Big Red Dog, winning a preschool book from the Book Walk, and a

finale presented by a special friend from the Canton Public Library. Parents could shop at the Scholastic Book Fair and buy raffle tickets for four themed gift baskets and a handmade quilt.

Proceeds from the raffle went toward tuition assistance for preschoolers who might otherwise not be able to attend preschool in the 2011-12 school year.

"The evening was a huge success and enjoyed by all who attended," said Early Childhood Development staffer Lori Haneline.

For information on preschool, call the Early Childhood Office at (734) 416-6190 or visit the website at web.pccs.k12.mi.us/earlychildhood.

Livonia Public Schools Opens Renowned Academically Talented Program to Out-of-District Students

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Livonia Public Schools is opening its Alternative Classrooms for the Academically Talented (ACAT) program to Limited Schools of Choice for the 2011-12 school year.

This program is geared toward academically talented students looking for a specialized learning experience.

Registration will be open from May 9 - May 23, 2011 at Webster Elementary, 32401 Pembroke, Livonia 48152 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. All candidates MUST meet the ACAT selection testing criteria.

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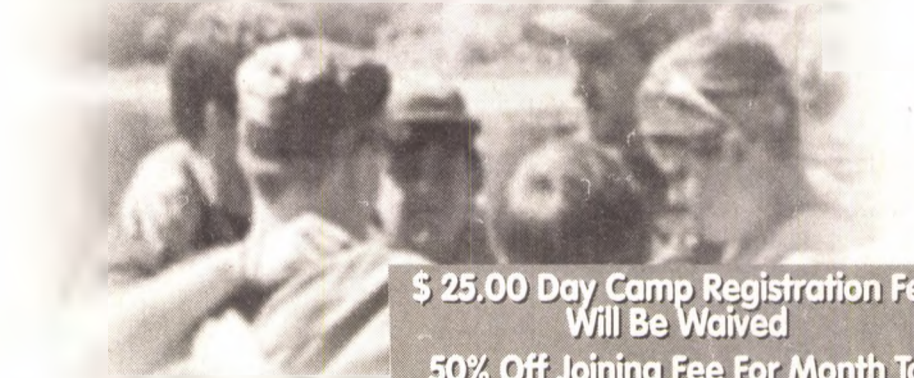
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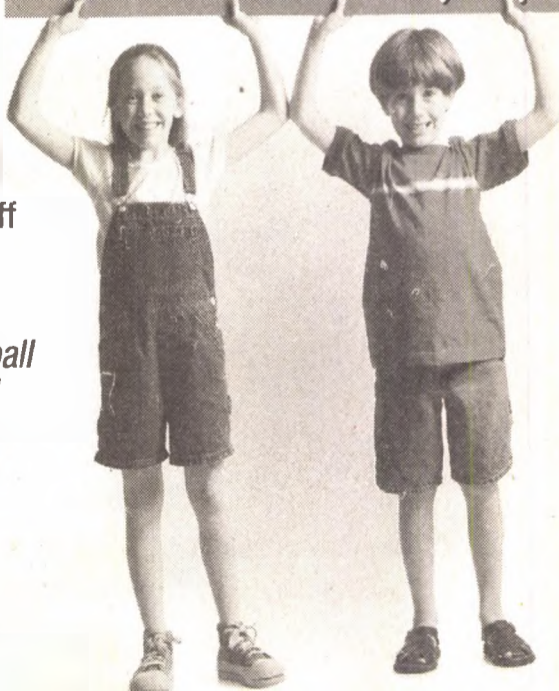


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Former coach bound for trial on child porn charges

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

After a brief preliminary hearing during which prosecutors offered only one witness and the defense gave away nothing as to what a defense might look like, 64-year-old Stephen Nyquist was bound over for trial in Wayne County Circuit Court on charges he kept child pornography on his home computer and distributed it on the Internet.

Nyquist, a Canton resident and former Plymouth High School girls lacrosse coach, is charged with six counts of using his computer to communicate with another to commit a crime, which carries a 10-year term upon conviction; three counts of distributing child sexually abusive material, a seven-year felony; and three counts of possession of child sexually abusive material; a four-year felony.

Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Keisha Glenn presented just one witness — Wayne County Sheriff Sgt. William Liczbinski, who is attached to the Michigan Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force. Liczbinski testified he was contacted in March by an investigator in Wisconsin who, undercover as a 14-year-old girl on the Internet, received "pornographic images" from someone using the screen name "High48126."

Tracing the IP address for the computer activity led Liczbinski to Nyquist's Canton Township home. Upon executing a search warrant, Liczbinski testified, he showed Nyquist many of the images that had been sent to the Wisconsin investigator. Nyquist identified several of those images as images he possessed on one of several computer thumb-drives that were eventually taken as evidence, the officer testified.

According to Liczbinski,

all of the images were traded between sources in Internet "private" chat rooms. The Wisconsin investigator, after receiving some of the images from Nyquist, ran them through the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, and several of them were identified as being photographs of "known victims" of child sexual exploitation, Liczbinski testified.

Liczbinski testified he found more than 350 images on one thumb drive.

"They all appeared to be pornographic images of children participating in real or simulated sexual activity or (photographs) exposing genitals," said Liczbinski, who has been part of the task force for two years.

On cross examination, Nyquist's attorney, John McWilliams, got Liczbinski to acknowledge that Nyquist appeared in none of the photos. There was also no evidence, Liczbinski testified under cross examination, that Nyquist and participated in the taking of any of the confiscated photos or videos.

The only real point of contention during the hearing came when 35th District Court Judge James Plakas asked about bond conditions. Nyquist posted \$5,000 (10 percent of a \$50,000 bond) after his March 17 arraignment. Glenn wanted the bond increased to \$500,000 (10 percent).

"The defendant has positioned himself to be around children," Glenn told Plakas. "He sent those images to what he believed was a 14-year-old girl. It's not an appropriate bail."

Plakas declined to increase it, though he did add a condition that Nyquist not come within 100 yards of any school or day care center.

Nyquist is due in Wayne County Circuit Court for arraignment May 27.

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ACTOR

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both AIDS and drug addiction among struggling performers. After the show, a slide show featuring Larson's work at The Barn from the 1980s was shown. "It was just so fantastic, so powerful for everyone," Chizek said.

Acting is not Chizek's only passion. She is also a singer who has performed on stage with the Fullerton Civic Opera in Orange County, Calif. Chizek is currently working with Grammy Award-winning producer Bob Cutarella to produce a pop-rock CD on the way and three singles on I-Tunes including a cover of Blondie's *Call Me*, and the original *Good Enough*.

PASSION FOR SINGING

Chizek said singing is her first passion and she is grateful for the opportunity to work with a legitimate music producer. "It's been cool to work with someone who has had success in this business," she said.

In fact, Chizek's first "big break" came because of her strong voice, said her mother, Kathleen.

"Katrina was in the fourth grade, performing with a school group at Farrand Elementary," when a classmate's aunt with ties to the New York Repertory Orchestra approached them, Kathleen Chizek said, impressed with Katrina's strong voice.

"She said that Katrina had a gift and encouraged us to get training," she said. Katrina



Katrina Chizek has appeared in a variety of productions at The Barn, including 'Little Shop of Horrors.'

began vocal training with a local voice coach, and then joined local performing groups such as Plymouth Community Arts Council's Whistle Stop Players.

Jennifer Tobin, arts coordinator for Canton Township and former executive director and youth theatre director with PCAC, remembers working with Chizek.

"I always say that there are kids who have it and kids who want it. And then there are the kids who both have it AND want it, and those are the ones

that make it. Katrina obviously has it," said Tobin. "She is just a little fireball of energy and talent."

A 2005 Salem High School graduate, Chizek headed to California after graduation, noting, "I knew I had to either go to New York or California" to reach her goal of performing on stage.

Chizek earned a bachelor's degree from California State University-Fullerton in 2010 and was able to take part in local theater productions around the Los Angeles area

while attending school. She credits Plymouth-Canton Educational Park choir teacher Jennifer Kopp with providing encouragement but noted that her passion for performing has been her driving force.

"My teachers all pushed me but I am really self-driven," Chizek said. Although her ultimate goal is Broadway, she is just anxious to make a name for herself in the performing arts.

"I just want to be successful and do what I love: theater," she said.

Barn a stepping stone for screen stars

Celebrating its 65th season this year, the Barn Theatre is one of the oldest professional summer stock theater companies in the country.

Each summer, the Barn opens for a 16-week season producing award-plays and musicals featuring a cast of performing apprentice actors. Located in Augusta, Mich., just two hours west of the Plymouth/Canton area, the Barn has been a longtime

training ground for both Hollywood and Broadway stars, drawing patrons from both the Detroit and Chicago areas.

Founded in 1946 by Obie Award-winning actor Jack Ragotzy and his actress-wife Betty, the Barn has been a career stop for a wide variety of Broadway, television and movie professionals. Barn performers have included actors Jennifer Garner, Dana

Delany, Lauren Graham, James B. Sicking and Tom Wopat from the Dukes of Hazzard as well as daytime television stars Kim Zimmer and Robert Newman from long-running soap opera "The Guiding Light."

The Barn's 2011 season begins May 31 and runs through Sept. 4. The opening production, "The Great Big Bar Show," is a musical revue featuring songs from past

productions. Eight different productions are scheduled for the summer season including *Escanaba in Love*, *Man of La Mancha*, *Chicago*, *A Streetcar Named Desire*, *Cinderella* and *Sunset Boulevard*. Ticket prices range from \$20 - \$34 per show.

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Philharmonic brings back Symphony Home Tour

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Hours for the tour are noon to 6 p.m. Saturday, May 21, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, May 22.

Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door.

Tickets are available at the Symphony office at 774 N. Sheldon Road in the Plymouth Art Center, Magnolia's and the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce in downtown Plymouth and Garden Views in Northville.

For more information, call the symphony office, (734) 451-2112.



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Band Boosters strike winning tune in bank's cash giveaway

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth Canton Band Boosters have landed a \$10,000 prize by placing first in a local bank's Web-based fundraiser.

The Boosters racked up 3,962 online votes during the second and final round of Sweet 15, which the Bank of Ann Arbor launched in March to mark its 15th anniversary.

"The last couple days, we kept sending out notes to our kids and the Boosters," reminding them to vote, said Erin Babcock, president of the fund-raising and support organization for the marching band made up of Plymouth Canton Educational Park students. "Everybody just pulled together."

The Boosters had over 300 more votes than the second-place finisher, the Michigan

Interscholastic Forensic Association. Voting in the second round ended at 10:15 p.m. Thursday.

Votes, limited to one a day per computer, were cast through Bank of Ann Arbor page on Facebook. The first round of the competition, which ended in April, narrowed a list of about 400 nonprofits to 15, and all 15 groups that made it to the second round will share in the \$75,000 the bank put up for the competition.

The top five groups will take away \$10,000 each. The Boosters have earmarked their winnings for the marching band's trip to the Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade in New York City this fall.

The contest brought the bank, which has a branch on Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth Township, a lot of attention.

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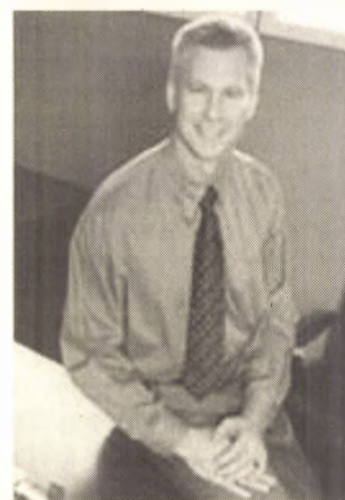
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Revised plans for downtown building win planners' OK

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Some architectural details have yet to be worked out, but plans for a new commercial building at the corner of Ann Arbor Trail and Main Street were given the green light by the Plymouth Planning Commission on Wednesday.

Developers Omar Hamdan and Ed Dombrowski, who owns the site with his wife, Patricia, say they want to get the 789 Building, named for its address on Ann Arbor Trail, built this summer. They had earlier won approval from a divided Planning Commission for a three-story building, despite opposition by the owners of many downtown businesses, but have scaled back their plans, which now call for a two-story building, with the second floor housing a restaurant with open-air terrace seating.

The developers say they would lease space for retail, restaurant or office use, or a combination of those. The city's Historic District Commission, which has a special meeting Wednesday, must still sign off on some minor changes in the building's appearance that its members requested.

In addition, the City Commission needs to take up the developers' petition to make a cash payment, of \$10,000 per space, in exchange for a waiver of the 16 parking spaces the proposed building requires. The plan as approved includes no on-site parking.

The Planning Commission's vote in favor of revised plans was 5-1, with Commissioner Jim Mulhern

casting the only no vote. Mulhern said he wanted to see completely finished plans before voting for them.

"I'm not going to vote to approve anything that isn't representative of what the exact finished product is," Mulhern said.

That prompted Hamdan to express frustration with the approval process, which dates back to planning and Historic District Commission meetings last fall.

"Time is of the essence," said Hamdan, who also threatened to "go ahead and go with the three-story building." Commissioners, however, assured him they would schedule a special meeting if needed. Their Wednesday approval, however, means there will be no such meeting.

Commissioner Keith MacDonald, who in March voted against plans for a three-story building, said he liked the revisions. "I appreciate the lesser intensity," he said.

The only citizen comment on the plan came from William Saxton of Saxton's Garden Center, a block east of the site. Saxton expressed concern that the building, without on-site parking, will put an extra burden on downtown parking.

"When is the city going to get off dead center and provide the parking that's needed in this downtown area?" Saxton said. He added that new construction without parking is "just an extra imposition on the people that provide it," as does Saxton's.

The corner slated for the 789 Building had been the site of a long-vacant gas station that was demolished early this year.

Plan wisely to help fund grandkids' college costs

Q: Dear Rick: My wife and I decided to move into a senior community. We sold our home and paid the fee for the senior community. After all is said and done, including furnishing our new place, we have about \$120,000 left. Our Social Security will cover monthly fees and I figure we may need, at most, a couple of hundred dollars a month to cover some additional expenses. I would like to use some of the excess money (about \$20,000) for my grandchildren's college education. I have three grandchildren, ages 5, 7, and 8 years old. I want to use the rest of the money to cover any shortfall. I do have some other investments for long-term growth. Any ideas on how I can invest this money? I want to be conservative with the money.

A: Congratulations on selling your home, particularly in this market.

In reviewing your situation, I will start with the money that you wish to allocate for your grandchildren's college education. My recommendation is to take the \$20,000 and open a Michigan Education Savings Plan for each of the grandchildren (www.misaves.com).

The MESP is a great way to save for a college education. Not only is it an easy way to save, there are also some major advantages, such as the fact that the money accumulates and can be withdrawn tax-free as long as the money is used for a qualified education expense. Basically, qualified education expense is just about anything that relates to post high school education. One of the beauties of the MESP is the money doesn't have to be used for a Michigan college. It can be used for basically any public or private institution in the country. One of the other benefits is that you can deduct a portion of your contribution from your Michigan Income Tax Return.

Considering the ages of your grandchildren and the fact



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that college costs continue to rise, I recommend that you select the age-based portfolio. This is a diversified portfolio geared for some growth in the portfolio.

In regard to the older grandchildren, you may wish to show them what you're doing and take this opportunity to teach them about money. They should know that their grandparents are sacrificing so they can get a good college education.

With the approximate \$100,000 remaining, I recommend \$7,000 into your bank account to cover your additional income needs. This

money should last you close to two years. This will allow other monies that you have to reinvest and grow.

I recommend dividing the other \$50,000 equally through the following Vanguard Funds:

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My recommendation for these funds is to let everything reinvest and grow. Once the initial \$7,000 in your bank account is exhausted, withdraw equally from these three funds to replenish that money.

With the remaining money — considering your desire to be conservative and the fact that you will not need this money for a number of years — my recommendation is to consider a fixed annuity. It is

guaranteed and insured, and all the money would grow on a tax-deferred basis. You would only pay taxes when you withdraw the money.

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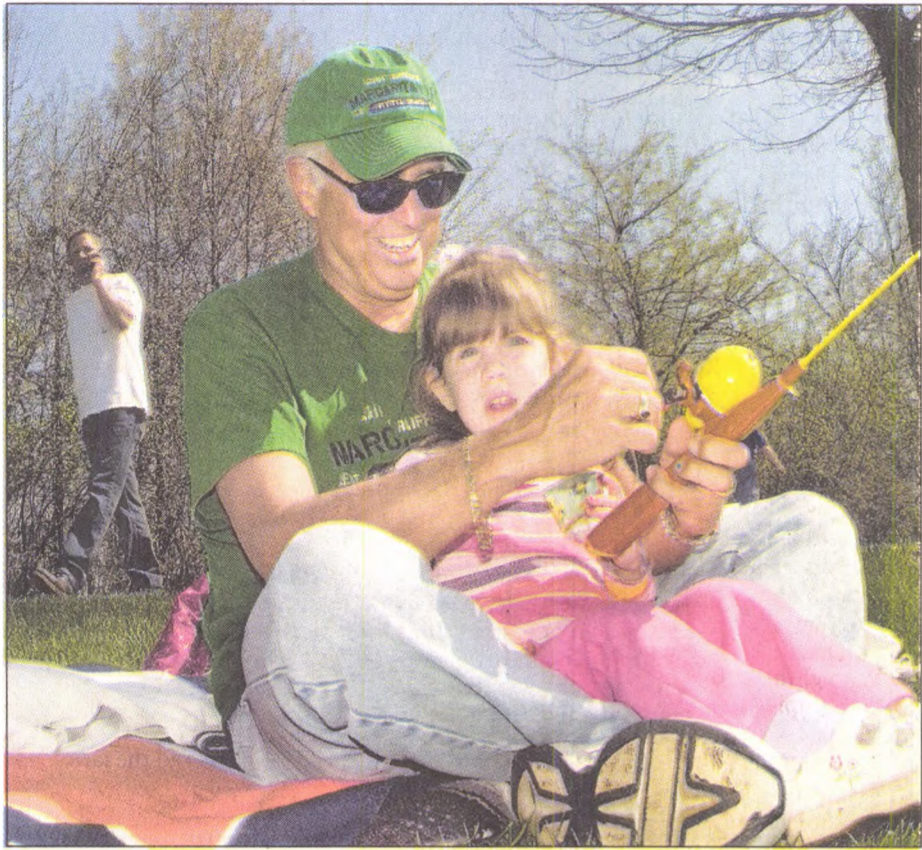
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From garage to green home



Here's a glimpse of Don Soenen in his souped up garage. See more of his cars and collectibles during the Michigan Philharmonic Spring Home Tour, May 21-22.

Friends of the Michigan Philharmonic home tour returns

BY SHARON DARGAY
OGE STAFF WRITER

Don Soenen occasionally likes to "get away from it all" by spending time in his garage.

When he does, changing motor oil, tuning up the lawn mower, tinkering at a workbench and other garage-worthy tasks are the last things on his mind.

Instead he turns on the flat screen television, relaxes in a lounge chair, drinks in his favorite collectibles.

The Plymouth Township retired racecar man, who races NASCAR vehicles, stores both racing and collectible cars, along with pint-size models in a garage addition.

The 50- by 50-foot space is decorated with auto, gas station, racing and personal memorabilia and awards. With its jukebox, soda bar, television screen, restored gas pumps, vintage working telephone, parking meters, drive-in speakers, traffic light and more, it's a stunning combination of entertainment room, "man cave," and museum. You won't find any scuff marks — much less motor oil — on the custom checkerboard floor.

"It's pretty much my spot, although we do my spot in here," said Soenen, who is board president of the Michigan Philharmonic. "We've had a number of symphony functions in here. I enjoy having people come

in and sharing it. There is no point in having the door locked on this place every day."

PLANNING AHEAD

When Jeanette Sullivan, a member of Friends of the Michigan Philharmonic, saw the garage a few years ago, she kept it in mind for the symphony's annual home tour, which has been on hiatus for a few years.

"If we ever have a home tour again, this has to be shared," she told Soenen and his wife, Colleen.

The garage is one of six stops on the newly resurrected event, which runs May 21-22.

"This is a different type of home tour that I'm hoping will appeal to a broad audience. The men will love it; the women will love it," Sullivan said. "We have a little something for everyone."

The other stops on the tour include:

- An in-town two-story duplex that has been turned into a single-family home with handmade furniture and accessories throughout
- A 170-year-old Greek Revival-style house
- A custom-designed house that includes an eclectic mix of antiques and contemporary furnishings
- An elegant home with stunning light fixtures throughout, granite kitchen table and more
- A home, equipped with geo thermal system that heats the living space, including an indoor



Don Soenen bought this #26 Quaker State Winston Cup Car two hours after he saw it in Daytona.

pool

DO-IT-YOURSELF

Many of the homeowners have remodeled or redecorated their houses themselves. That includes Soenen's garage.

"I hung every plaque, every shelf, I laid the floor. The only thing I didn't do was put the mural up," said Soenen, referring to the Minnesota farm and gas station scene that covers one wall. "But everything else I did and I did it in a relatively short time, over six or seven weeks."

When the Soenens built their home 23 years ago — their fourth in the Plymouth area — they included two attached garages with space for seven cars.

The space quickly filled as Soenen, who took race driving classes in 1998, began buying retired NASCAR vehicles and taking them for 140- to 200-mph

spins around tracks throughout the country. He races in approximately 45-50 events, ranging from 30 minutes to four hours each, per year.

SOUPED UP GARAGE

Soenen built the new garage extension, matching brick and

shingles, four years ago.

"While I was at it, I thought it would be interesting to put out a gas station facade," he said, pointing to the refurbished 1950s gas pump, air device, oil containers and neon signs outside the building.

The former Ford engineer, who now owns companies in Michigan and California, stores motorcycles and cars inside the garage, along with hundreds of trophies and medals. The cars include a 207 Shelby GT500 Mustang, 2006 Ford GT, sporty two-seat Plymouth Prowler, retired NASCAR racers and a 1965 Shelby Cobra.

Soenen will be on hand during the home tour to answer questions about the cars, motorcycles, and the garage decor, including the wall mural that depicts his late father and father-in-law inside the vintage gas station.



A soda bar with Coca Cola memorabilia are among the items, including auto art, car models, life-sized sculptures of the "Blues Brothers," a juke box, flat screen television, and wall mural that make Don Soenen's garage so much more than a place merely to park cars.

SUMMER CONCERT SCHEDULE

- The Michigan Philharmonic — formerly the Plymouth Symphony — will be busy this summer.
- 6-7 p.m. Saturday, June 18, at Liberty Fest, in the Heritage Park amphitheater, 1010 S. Canton Center Road, Canton. Free admission
 - 8-9 p.m. Friday, June 24, at Kensington Metropark, 2240 W. Buno, Milford. Free concert with \$5 per vehicle park entry permit.
 - 7:30-8:30 p.m., Saturday, July 2, Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth with "An American Salute" pops concert. Free admission
 - 11 a.m. to noon, Saturday, July 23, at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House in Grosse Pointe Shores. The concert is a part of Fairy Tale Day festivities at the mansion. See www.fordhouse.org for advance ticket purchase.
 - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., July 31, at Concours d'Elegance at the Inn at St. John, 44045 Five Mile, Plymouth. General admission to the Concours is \$25; VIP tickets are \$125. Visit concoursusa.org

SPRING HOME TOUR

What: Visit five houses and one garage and help support the Michigan Philharmonic

When: Noon to 6 p.m. Saturday, May 21 and noon to 5 p.m., Sunday, May 22

Admission: Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 the day of the event. Tickets are available at the Michigan Philharmonic office at 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth; Home Sweet Home, 852 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth; Magnolia, 551 Forest, Plymouth; Showroom of Elegance, 6018 Canton Center Road, Canton; Gardenview, 202 W. Main, Northville; Plymouth Chamber of Commerce, 850 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth; and online at www.michiganphilharmonic.org

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BACK PAIN-NO CAUSE FOUND

The rule in back pain is to wait at least 4 weeks before undertaking an intense evaluation. The reasoning behind this rule-of-thumb is that in most instances the back pain clears within that time.

However, that wait-and-see approach has limits. In some instances the pain is so intense the individual is incapacitated; telling that person to go home and live with pain for a month is unreasonable. Also, physicians are unwilling to let evaluation of back pain in the elderly wait for 4 or more weeks. The possibility of allowing an osteoporotic fracture or a metastatic cancer to go untreated is too serious to wave off for a month or more.

The assessment of back pain in the elderly requires an examination to localize the source of the pain and where it moves. This information allows the physician to x-ray the part of the back likely to be the source of the pain. If the x-ray does not show changes of an osteoporotic fracture or bone changes or destruction that characterizes a cancer, the physician can turn his attention to giving the patient pain relief. The usual medicine is Vicodin and the common waiting period is 4 weeks.

What the patient gains in return for delay in diagnosis is peace of mind. What concerns both patient and physician is that their pain represents a profound event such as cancer. Once relieved of that worry, the individual is more willing to carry on with the pain for the 4 week observation period. The physician is able to work at a calmer and reasonable pace.

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Make life easier with these products

Some new products to check out.

BORA CLAMP EDGE

Affinity Tool Works, LLC right here in Troy recently introduced the Bora Clamp Edge.

Honestly, I thought it was going to be just another gimmick tool that I'd never use. Wrong!

The Bora Clamp Edge is a quick guide tool that provides a perfectly straight and secure straightedge for accurate cuts through all kinds and types of wood. You can use it with circular saws, jigsaws, routers and



Lon Grossman

biscuit jointers as well as with other tools or just as an accurate guide to scribe.

The company manufactures three sizes of clamps to handle a complete variety of wood-working projects. The small, 24-inch model is commonly used as a fence on table saws, router tables and small cutting projects. The 36-inch clamp edge is perfect for remodeling jobs such as trimming doors and cabinets.

They also make a 50-inch clamp edge, which is the one I've been testing. It's designed for 48-inch cuts. The design, engineering, integrated clamps and ease of use are all impressive.

The Bora Clamp has ergonomic handles, easy and simple lever locking mechanisms, unique swivel clamps

(which also permits the user to do some slight angle cuts) and was designed for professionals, handymen and homeowners in mind.

The clamps are made from aircraft grade extruded aluminum and come with a lifetime warranty.

Affinity Tools also has an enviable line of pistol grip clamps, multi-angle adjustable squares and an angle master miter duplicator.

If you or someone you know works with wood, check out Bora Tools at the following websites: Woodcraft (www.woodcraft.com); Rockler (www.rockler.com); Sears (www.sears.com); Lowe's (www.lowes.com — Madison Heights store only); Performance Tool Center in Waterford (www.performancecenter.com).

SPORT BRELLA CHAIR

Now that great weather is almost upon us, I'm sure everyone, including myself is looking to the outdoors as well as outdoor projects and events.

I recently came across the Sport Brella Chair. It is a unique, new portable garden and patio chair. Yes, we've all seen portable outdoor fold-up chairs. People take them from their patios to the Woodward Dream Cruise, beaches, parks and concerts.

What makes the Sport Brella Chair unlike other foldout sport chairs is that it has an attached, 360-degree swivel umbrella, which can be moved from side to side, and can be swiveled at three different points with the push of a button. The umbrella opens

out to 46-inches, which provides complete coverage from the sun and wind at any conceivable angle.

The lightweight Sport Brella Chair also has a built-in cup holder, bottle opener and even a zippered pouch for personal items. The chair easily folds up and fits into a compact carry bag that has a comfortable carry strap.

The M.S.R.P. is \$39.99 and is available at www.sportbrella.com. I recently found it at Costco for \$35.00.

WHISPERSENSE VENTILATION FANS

Panasonic recently introduced its new Whisper Sense Ventilation Fans at the 2011 kitchen and bath industry show in Las Vegas.

Panasonic claims the WhisperSense bathroom exhaust fans are the only vent fans on the market to incorporate dual-motion and humidity sensors. That makes perfect sense, since the fan will only operate when necessary. The motion sensor has a delay shut-off timer that activates when a person enters the bathroom and automatically shuts the fan off 20 minutes after the occupant has left.

If the tub or shower is used, the built-in humidity sensor overrides the delay timer and continues to exhaust moisture until the humidity is back down to a pre-set level.

All that is well and good, but my favorite feature is the noise level. It has an incredibly quiet level, as low as 0.3-sone. One-sone is the sound of a quiet refrigerator operating at night.

The 0.3 would be the quietest ceiling mounted fan I have experienced.

Panasonic WhisperSense ventilation fans have an average suggested retail price from \$289 to \$412 depending on the model (some have lights) and are available at Panasonic dealers and wholesalers. Check out the WhisperSense fans when they come out in June of 2011 at www.panasonic.com/ventedfans.

Q: While a rolling stone may gather no moss, our shaded, shingle roof is susceptible to fungus or moss?

A: You don't have to raise the roof to correct it. For all types of roofs there is a product called "Shingle-Shield" from Chicago Metallic. It is a maintenance-free roof moss/fungus protector. It is easily installed along the ridgeline and releases zinc oxide. The manufacturer claims it will last the life of the roof. Chemicals such as zinc oxide or chloride in metals are carried down the roof when it rains. These chemicals discourage the growth of moss. Also trim any overhanging trees and keep the roof clear of leaves and debris. With a cedar shake roof, remove as much of the moss between the shakes as possible. Use a piece of wire, then hose off the tiles.

Lon Grossman of Bloomfield Hills is president of Technihouse Inspections Inc., a southeast Michigan residential and commercial inspection company. E-mail your questions to him at droiy@comcast.net. Call (248) 855-5566. Visit his website www.technihouse.com.



Outstanding leader

Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan recently recognized Jean Fitzpatrick of Canton for her dedication to Girl Scouting. Fitzpatrick is trained in wilderness first aid and has taken her troop on countless camping trips. Her nominator stated, "Jean is a firm believer in the 'girl-run' troop system and goes to great lengths to achieve the right balance between girl and adult leadership responsibilities." In addition to her troop duties, she serves as the registrar for Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors in Plymouth/Canton. To learn more about Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan, call (800) 49-SCOUT or visit www.gshom.org.

Classes, tips improve motorcycle safety

May is National Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month — a perfect time to sign up for one of Schoolcraft College's motorcycle safety classes.

Registration is ongoing and classes run through September.

The classes are taught by professional, certified instructors who are passionate about riding and rider safety. There are a variety of motorcycle safety trainings to choose from including the Basic Rider Course, the Three-Wheel Basic Rider Course, and the Performance Based Course for people looking to get their motorcycle endorsement to the Advanced Rider Course.

"Improving the safety of motorcyclists on our roads is our primary goal, and with winter behind us, motorcycles are back on the roads. Drivers of all vehicles need to be extra alert," stated Jennifer Bodurka, programming coordinator. "Motorcycles are some of the smallest vehicles on the road so folks in other vehicles need to really look out for them — and to take extra care and share the road."

In addition to the motorcycle safety classes, Schoolcraft College promotes motorcycle safety by offering these tips to drivers:

- Remember the motorcycle is a vehicle with all of the rights and privileges of any other motor vehicle on

the roadway. Always allow a motorcyclist the full lane width — never try to share a lane;

- Always make a visual check for motorcycles by checking mirrors and blind spots before entering or leaving a lane of traffic and at intersections.

- Always signal your intentions before changing lanes or merging with traffic.

- Don't be fooled by a flashing turn signal on a motorcycle. Motorcycle signals are often not self-canceling and riders sometimes forget to turn them off. Wait to be sure the motorcycle is going to turn before you proceed.

- Remember that road conditions that are minor annoyances to other vehicles pose major hazards to motorcyclists.

- Allow more following distance, three or four seconds, when following a motorcycle, so the motorcyclist has enough time to maneuver or stop in an emergency. And don't tailgate. In dry conditions, motorcycles can stop more quickly than cars.

For more information on the Motorcycle Safety Program go to www.schoolcraft.edu/cepd/motorcycle or call (734) 462-4448.

Schoolcraft College is located on Haggerty between Six Mile and Seven Mile in Livonia.

Appraisal night will benefit scholarships

Dust off that family heirloom you've stashed in the attic and head to the Appraisal Fair at 7 p.m. May 23 at the Alexander Blue House in the Greenmead Historical Park, in Livonia.

Zonta Club of NW Wayne County is sponsoring the event. Doug Dalton, a cer-

tified appraiser of fine art and antiques will appraise items for \$10 each, with a limit of two items per person.

Funds raised will help support Zonta Club's scholarship fund. Call Barb at (734) 464-0450 for more information. Zonta International is a Women's

Organization of professional and executives working together to advance the status of women worldwide through service and advocacy. The organization, founded in 1919 in New York, has 1,200 clubs in 67 countries with more than 33,000 members. www.zonta.org.

GARDEN & NATURE

GARDEN PARTY

The party runs 12:30-3:30 p.m. Saturday, May 21. Temple Shir Shalom asks families to bring one organic plant to put into the congregation's spring garden at The Corners, 2075 Walnut Lake Road, just west of Inkster, West Bloomfield. Open to the public. A planting wish list is available. (248) 406-4255 or www.shirshalom.org.

BIBLE GARDEN

Congregation Beth Ahm will dedicate its Louis and Fay Woll Memorial Bible Garden at 11 a.m. June 5, at 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield. The dedication and public opening will include tours of the garden. Visitors will experience a series of themes including the Garden of Eden, Abraham and Sarah's Tent, Parting of

the Red Sea, and the giving of the Hebrew Bible at Mt. Sinai. The many species of plants, flowers, and trees included in the garden are identified by both their biblical references and botanical names. A visit to the Woll Memorial Bible Garden concludes at a replica of the Western Wall, the remnant of the Old Temple and one of Judaism's holiest sites, in Jerusalem. The Woll Memorial Bible Garden will be open from sunrise to sunset in the spring, summer, and fall. Guided visits can be arranged by calling (248) 851-6880 and visitors may come at their convenience for self guided tours. See the garden on the Internet at www.wollbiblegarden.org.

GARDEN WALK

The 21st annual Ann Arbor Garden Walk will run 10 a.m.

to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 11. Six gardens and a marketplace of garden art are included. Garden Walk tickets can be purchased online at www.annarborfarmandgarden.org, or at these Ann Arbor locations: Dixboro General Store, Downtown Home & Garden, Nicola's Books, and Matthaei Botanical Gardens. Advance tickets are \$12. Tickets are available the day of the Walk at any of the gardens, at \$15 adult, \$3 students K-12. Groups can purchase advance tickets for \$10 per person; contact Irene Ball at (734) 222-0747. The ticket includes a map of the garden locations; participants can visit the gardens in any order and at their own pace. Descriptions of the featured gardens are on the website.

Send garden information and photos to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@hometownlife.com.

CATERPILLARS OF MICHIGAN

An expert lepidopterist describes the larvae that will become beautiful butterflies at the next meeting of the Southeast Michigan Butterfly Association (SEMBA), 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 18, at Nankin Mills Nature Center, 33175 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland. A book signing will take place with SEMBA president Brenda Dziedzic just before the meeting. Parking on Hines Drive or Ann Arbor Trail. \$3 for non-members. Questions? Call (734) 326-0578 or visit www.sembabutterfly.com.

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Attorney J.B. Bieske can often make a winning difference at the application stage. And, if an appeal is necessary Bieske has won several hundred cases before a court date is even set.

Those denied can appeal on their own but statistics for many years reveal that those represented by attorneys win a much higher percentage of appeals. And attorneys who specialize in Social Security Disability cases win a much higher percentage yet.

Attorney Bieske has represented only Social Security Disability clients for over 27 years. That is the only type of law he practices. And, he personally meets with all clients and appears himself at all court hearings.

Many large firms assign clients to young associate attorneys with much less experience; and often these firms aren't even based in Michigan.

In addition to practicing only Social Security disability law Bieske has written a book for attorneys about the subject. He also has been interviewed on various radio and television programs and has given speeches to many groups.

Bieske's office staff consists of paralegals and secretaries who are extremely helpful in answering questions with regard to the status of client's cases and administrative procedure.

Attorney Bieske welcomes you to

call him to determine if you may be eligible for these benefits. He offers a free phone or office consultation. If Bieske represents you, there will be no fee charged until after the case is won. The fee is a percentage of retroactive benefits.

In a recent radio interview attorney Bieske explained that many people are not even aware that they are eligible for Social Security Disability benefits. You may be eligible even if you have retired and are receiving a pension. If you have an illness or injury (whether or not related to your work), are under 65 and unable to work full-time you may be eligible. Social Security Disability benefits are based on your work record or your deceased spouse's work record (Widow's/ Widower's benefits).

Call attorney J.B. Bieske at 1-800-331-3530 for a FREE consultation if you are considering applying for Social Security Disability Benefits or if you have been denied. His Livonia office is located on Six Mile Road just West of I-275 and his Novi office is on Haggerty just North of 12 Mile Road.

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Essay contest calls for float design ideas

Michigan high school students can submit ideas for Art Van Furniture's new float in this year's annual America's Thanksgiving Parade in Detroit.

The furniture company encourages students in grades 9-12 to research the company's values and mission and then develop a Parade float concept based on the company's messaging. The float should creatively show how the messaging relates to America's Thanksgiving Parade and the spirit of the partnership between Art Van Furniture and the Parade Company.

"Art Van's commitment to The Parade Company dates back to 1990 when the Parade was in danger of being canceled and Art quickly decided to make a contribution to keep the parade afloat," stated Tony Michaels, president and CEO, The Parade Company. "Since then they have commissioned several floats, balloons, props and donated more than \$2 million to The Parade Company."

There will be one grand prize winner selected from all of the entries who will receive a \$2,500 financial scholarship.

Their school's Art or English Department also will receive a \$2,500 donation. Both the scholarship and donation are compliments of Art Van Furniture.

The student's winning submission also may be incorporated into Art Van Furniture's new float design. The winning student also will receive Parade Company and Art

Van Furniture merchandise, a meet and greet with Art Van Elslander and six Parade Preview Party tickets for Wednesday, October 19.

Students must submit a float concept in essay form in 250 words or less. Submissions should be typed, single-spaced with one-inch margins and include the student's name and school on the essay. Entries should be submitted online at www.theparade.org or by mail. Mailed entries must include a completed application form and should be sent to: Art Van Furniture Float Concept Contest, c/o The Parade Company, 9500 Mt. Elliott, Studio A, Detroit, MI 48211. All applications must be received by Monday, May 30.

Belleville High School
Class of 1971

Planning 1971 reunion in 2011. Seeking classmates and contact information. E-mail BHS.1971@yahoo.com. If on Facebook join the group by searching BHS reunion 1971 40th sign up site; also on CLASSMATES/REUNIONS.

Dearborn Fordson
Class of 1971

The 40th reunion is planned for Saturday, Aug. 6, 2011 at Laurel Manor in Livonia. Tickets are on sale now for \$52 per person for dinner and open bar. Send a check payable to Fordson '71 Reunion to 16124 Golfview, Livonia, MI 48154. For more information go to Facebook, Classmates.com or the Web page at Fordson71Reunion.com.

Dearborn Heights Robichaud
Class of 1961

50th class reunion Sept. 24, 2011 at the Dearborn Hills Golf Course. All classes are welcome as Robichaud High School also celebrates its 50th anniversary. Contact Bill Haskin at billsmustangs@msn.com; (734)595-4927 or Nancy at woloni@aol.com; (248) 529-6461.

Detroit Cody
Class of 1961

50th reunion Aug. 27, 2011, at Hellenic Banquet Center, Westland. Seeking classmates and contact information. E-mail

codycomet61@gmail.com. Or call Connie Callear Majeske at (734) 425-7094 or Bernie Lekki Grudzien at (734) 522-3167.

50s and 60s Free picnic, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 21 at Nankin Mills Pavilion, Ann Arbor. 21 at Hines Drive. Rain or shine; door prizes, hot dogs, bottled water, T-shirts and sweatshirts, tassels, music CDs all available. Bring a chair. No need to register. Parking for classic cars. Classmates.com will have information and photos from past picnics. Questions? Call Jerry Marszalek at (313) 532-0134 or e-mail to Jmarsares@sbcglobalnet or Phil Varilone at (313) 562-3579 or e-mail to pvarilone@wowway.com

Class of 1971

40th reunion, 6:30-11:30 p.m. July 9, at Waterford Lanes/Banquet Hall, 7100 Cooley Lake Road, Waterford. RSVP by May 30 to Karen (Hassa) Leto at (330) 722-5954.

Detroit Henry Ford
Class of 1971

The 40th reunion, with a "Back to the Bahamas" theme, is scheduled for Aug. 20, at Bahama Breeze Restaurant, 19600 Haggerty, Livonia. The organizers are trying to reach approximately 1,000 graduates from the January and June classes, as well as any other alumni interested in attending the event. Tickets are \$50. Call Barb Blum Douglas at (313) 804-1282, or Marilyn

Ogilvy Twa at (616) 802-0305, or e-mail to hfh51971reunion@yahoo.com.

Detroit Mackenzie
June Class of 1961

50th reunion will be Saturday, Oct. 29, 2011. For more information e-mail Ivnerian@msn.com or phone Joanne (Poloway) Glance at (734) 878-6543.

Class of 1962

Planning class reunion in 2012. Seeking classmates and contact information. E-mail the committee at mackenzie1962@gmail.com.

Garden City East & West
Classes of 1966-67

A casual, joint reunion is planned for Oct. 8. The organizing committee needs addresses of class members. Call Dale Bowes (Whiting) '66W at (734) 427-7148, Carol Gantt Fenner '67W at (734) 326-8467, Karen Colvard (Domanski) '66E at (734) 427-7012, Cheryl Gibbs '67E at (734) 340-9916/(313) 670-2402, or e-mail Dennis Russell at russ027@comcast.net.

Ladywood High School
Class of 1961

Planning a 50th reunion in 2011. Seeking classmates and contact information. E-mail sandymacg@aol.com or call Sandy Phillips O'Leary (734) 453-0783 and leave a message if voice mail picks up.

Livonia Bentley

Class of 1961

Holding a 50th class reunion Sept. 16-17. To register, call Nath Bruner (734) 524-0979 or e-mail dbruner@twmi.rr.com.

Class of 1981

30th reunion planned for Aug. 6, at One Under Banquet Facility 35789 Five Mile, Livonia. Visit http://www.freewebs.com/bentley81 for more details.

Livonia Franklin
Class of 1966

45th high school reunion, Oct. 8 at Laurel Park Marriott. Seeking classmates and contact info. E-mail contact info to Lorry Ruzsas at Lruzsas187264mi@comcast.net or call him at (810) 599-3506.

Redford Union
Class of 1971

6:30-11:30 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 21, at Plymouth Elks Lodge, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. Look for Redford Union Class of 1971 on Facebook or e-mail to RUHS71@yahoo.com

Rosary High School
Class of 1966

Planning 45th reunion in July of 2011. Seeking classmates and contact information. E-mail Pam at Taffitoo@aol.com

Royal Oak High School
Class of 1951

A 60th reunion is planned for Sept. 14 at the Oxford Inn, 1214 Main, Royal Oak. The

event will start with a social gathering at 4 p.m., followed by dinner at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$30 per person for 6 or more information and for reservation forms contact Fred Locke and Katy Marsh, 5464 Lakeshore, Fort Gratiot, MI 48059; (810) 385-3253; fjllocke@aol.com

St. Mary of Redford
Class of 1971

6 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Sept. 10 at Monaghan K of C Hall, 19801 Farmington Road, Livonia; \$40 per person or \$75 per couple. Make your reservation check payable to and mail to: Peter Noble, 12001 Market Street #443, Reston, VA 20190. For more information, e-mail to barkerwa@aol.com.


Southfield High School
Class of 1981

The 30th reunion is planned for 7 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 6, at Doc's Sport Retreat in Livonia. Tickets are \$20 per person for appetizers. There will be a cash bar. The group is looking for classmates. For more information go to Facebook Southfield High Class of 1981 or e-mail Terri Jarvi O'Brien at terri1streetmktg.com.

Wayne Memorial High School
Class of 1976

35-year class reunion, 6 p.m.-midnight, Saturday, Sept. 17, at the Livonia Holiday Inn. Visit www.waynememorial76.com or e-mail to reed.terri@sbcglobal.net

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MAY 15-18

Breakfast

Time/Date: 8:30 a.m. to noon, Sunday, May 15
Location: St. Theodore Social Hall, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland
Details: All you can eat French toast, pancakes, ham, sausage, scrambled eggs, applesauce, coffee, tea, juice and milk. Sponsored by St. Theodore Men's Club. \$3 adults, \$1.50 for children, 2-10
Contact: (734) 425-4421

Living rosary

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 18

Location: St. Michael the Archangel, 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, Livonia
Details: An individual or small group represents each bead of the rosary and leads that prayer. The ceremony is held by candlelight and as each prayer is offered, a candle is lit to represent that particular bead. The ceremony, which commemorates May as the month of the Virgin Mary, will follow the parish's monthly day of Eucharistic Adoration in which the church is open for adoration from 10 a.m.-7 p.m.
Contact: (734) 261-1455, Ext. 200

Widowed Friends

Time/Date: Check in by 2:15 p.m., Mass starts at 2:30 p.m. May 15
Location: St. Thomas a Becket Church, 555 S. Lilley, south of Cherry Hill, Canton
Details: The group sponsors a special Mass for widowed men and women; refreshments and social time after Mass
Contact: Call Pat (734) 895-6246

MAY 19-25

Garage sale

Time/Date: 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, May 21
Location: Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt, near Eight Mile, Livonia

Details: Garage sale and baked goods sale

Contact: (248) 474-3444 or e-mail to clarencevilleumc@att.net

Gospel Mass

Time/Date: 4:30 p.m. Sunday, May 22

Location: St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 Sheldon, Plymouth

Details: Resounding Art in a Sacred Space, concert series presents Robert Ray's "Gospel - Mass." Admission is a \$10 donation per person and \$25 donation per families

Contact: www.stjohnsplymouth.org or (734) 453-0190

Lunch and Learn

Time/Date: 12:30 p.m., Friday, May 20

Location: Udipi, 29210 Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Hills

Details: Rabbi Joel Roth will present "Seeking the Reasons for Mitzvot: Pros and Cons" over lunch at the kosher-certified vegetarian restaurant. Cost for the lunch and learn is \$10 per person, payable to Udipi at the door on the day of the event. It will include Udipi's daily vegetarian lunch buffet and a cold beverage. RSVP by May 19. Presented by Congregation Beth Ahm

Contact: Nancy Kaplan at (248) 737-1931 or e-mail nancyellen879@att.net

Mass of anointing

Time/Date: 1 p.m. Saturday, May 21

Location: St. Michael the Archangel, 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, Livonia

Details: This Mass will incorporate the rituals of the Sacrament of the Sick, which Catholic doctrine teaches offers spiritual strength and healing to those who are aged, or seriously or chronically ill, be that physical, emotional, or spiritual

Contact: (734) 261-1455, Ext. 200

Rummage sale

Time/Date: 6-9 p.m. May 19, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. May 20, and 9 a.m.-noon, May 21

Location: Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington, 25301 Halsted, Farmington Hills

Details: Clothing, toys, household and more. No admission charge;

May 20 is half price sale and May 21 is \$5 plastic bag sale

Contact: (248) 478-7272

Rummage sale

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, May 20 and 9 a.m.-noon, Saturday, May 21

Location: Atonement Lutheran Church, 6961 Mead, one block south of Warren, five blocks south of Greenfield, Dearborn

Details: Clothes, shoes, linens, toys, sporting goods, household items. \$1 bag sale on Saturday
Contact: (734) 855-4477

Rummage sale

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday, May 20 and 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 21

Location: Antioch Lutheran Church, 33360 W. 13 Mile at Farmington Road in Farmington Hills

Details: Tax-deductible donations may be dropped off at the back door of the church from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 5-7 p.m., Monday-Wednesday, May 16-18. Bag sale Saturday, May 21
Contact: (248) 626-7906 or e-mail to judyglass@mi.rr.com

MAY 26-JUNE 1

Career workshop

Time/Date: Session 1 is 10 a.m.-noon and session 2 is 1-3 p.m., both on May 26

Location: Canton Christian Fellowship, 8775 Ronda Drive, Canton

Details: Participants may choose 1 of the 2 sessions. Resume review and writing tips, mock interviews, interviewing etiquette, job search tips and strategies and many other topics to assist in a job search or career change
Contact: (734) 404-2480

Clothing bank

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, May 28

Location: Canton Christian Fellowship Clothing Bank, 41920 Joy, between Lilley and Haggerty, Canton

Details: Free clothing and shoes to anyone in need. Food pantry also will be open
Contact: (734) 927-6686 or (734) 404-2480

Financial Peace University

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesdays, June 1-Aug. 24; preview class, 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 18

Location: Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt, Livonia

Details: During Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University, participants will discover a world of freedom by using proven, biblical principles to permanently break free from the bondage of debt
Contact: (248) 474-3444 or search on www.daveramsey.com

Widowed Friends

Time/Date: 6 p.m., Saturday, May 28

Location: Macaroni Grill, 393007 Seven Mile, Livonia

Details: The peer group meets for dinner. Order from the menu, separate checks provided. Seafood, Italian and American dishes. Make new friends in a safe setting. Aimed at widows and widowers, age 55 and younger
Contact: RSVP to Phil at (248) 684-3433 orywfriends@gmail.com

JUNE 2-8

Job fair

Time/Date: 10 a.m.-2 p.m. June 2

Location: Canton Christian Fellowship, 8775 Ronda Drive, Canton

Details: Bring resumes and dress to impress. Some employers may interview on the spot
Contact: (734) 404-2480

Spring Bazaar

Time/Date: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Saturday, June 4

Location: St. Colette Catholic Church, 17600 Newburgh, Livonia

Details: Tables of crafts, jewelry, new and gently used household articles, and clothing will be sponsored by the Women's Guild
Contact: (734) 464-0476

ONGOING

AWANA

Time/Date: 6:30-8 p.m., Wednesdays

Location: Faith Bible Church, 23414 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills

Details: AWANA program for children from kindergarten-fifth grade

Contact: (248) 426-0096

Classes/study

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 7-8 p.m., second Monday of the month

Location: 34567 Seven Mile, between Farmington and Newburgh roads, Livonia

Details: Open Arms Bible class for adults with developmental disabilities and special needs. Includes songs, Bible lessons, crafts and activities, prayer, snacks and fun.

Contact: pastor Scott Sessler at (734) 673-2485 or e-mail to pastortscott@emmanuel-livonia.org

Faith Bible Church

Time/Date: 9:45-10:45 a.m. Sundays through May 8

Location: 34541 Five Mile, Livonia

Details: "Four Views of the End Times" adult study

Also ongoing: "Life's Healing Choices" Study Group, 6 p.m., fourth Sunday through September is for men and women who want freedom from hurts, hang-ups and habits
Contact: (734) 464-7990

Men's Bible study

Time/Date: Breakfast at 7 a.m. and study at 8 a.m.

Location: Kirby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty, Northville Township

Contact: John Shulenberger at (734) 464-9491

New Life Community Church

Time/Date: Jobs seminar, 8-9 a.m., Fridays; reading program for students in grades K-12 and martial arts instruction, both at 10 a.m., Sundays

Location: 42200 Tyler, Belleville

Contact: (734) 846-4615

Nicole's Revival

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m., Monday-Friday

Location: YWCA Northwest Branch, 25940 Grand River, west of Beech Daly, Redford

Details: KJV Scripture Reading, Communion and Prayer
Contact: (313) 531-1234

Our Lady of Loretto

Time/Date: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday

Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford

Details: Scripture study
Contact: (313) 534-9000

Ward Presbyterian

Time/Date: 7 p.m., Mondays

Location: Room A101, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville

Details: Learner's Bible study is held

Contact: (248) 374-5920

Clothing bank

Canton Christian Fellowship

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., fourth Saturday and 5-6:30 p.m., second Wednesday

Location: 41711 Joy, between Lilley and Haggerty

Details: Canton Christian Fellowship Clothing Bank offers free clothing (men, women and children) for those in need
Contact: (734) 404-2480, visit www.CantonCF.org or send e-mail to info@cantoncf.org

Food Bank

New Hope Church

Time/Date: 5-7 p.m., every Friday by appointment only

Location: is 44815 Cherry Hill, Canton

Contact: Call pastor Ranay Brown to schedule an appointment at (734) 270-2528.

Moms

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m., second Tuesday, MOPS; 7-8:30 p.m., first and third Thursday, MOPSnExt. Both programs run through May

Location: 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: Mothers of Preschoolers is aimed at mothers of infants through kindergartners; MOPSnExt supports mothers of school-aged children. The theme will be "Momology - The Art & Science of Mothering" for MOPS and "Boundaries" for MOPSnExt

Contact: Rebekah Creeden at (734) 524-0283 for MOPS and Susan Wagner at (248) 478-3643 for MOPS details

Dunning Park Bible Chapel

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m., first and third Tuesdays

Location: 24800 West Chicago Road, Redford

Details: MOPS is a place where, moms can build friendships, receive mothering support, practical help and spiritual hope
Contact: Amy at (313) 937-3084

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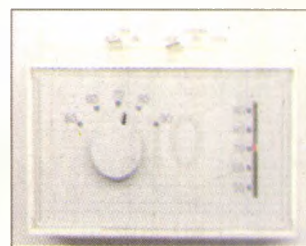
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Memorial service set for former pastor

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Livonia will hold a memorial service for its Pastor Emeritus, the Rev. William F. Whitedge at 3 p.m., Sunday, May 22.

Whitedge, who served as senior pastor at St. Paul's for 27 years beginning in 1961, died May 3 in Hudson, Fla. where he recently served as a parish associate at St. Mark's Presbyterian Church. He took the position after his retirement from St. Paul's.

While in Livonia, he was known as a caring

and dedicated shepherd of his flock. He also kept busy throughout the community and the Presbytery of Detroit. He was admired for his inspiring preaching, his organizational skills and his sharp sense of humor.

The memorial service will be followed by a cookie and punch reception.

For more information, call the church office at (734) 422-1470. St. Paul's is located at 27475 Five Mile, one block west of Inkster Road.

METROPARK CALENDAR

General: 2011 annual parking and boat launch permits are available at the park office. Vehicle entry permits are \$25; senior citizen \$15. Boat launching permits are \$30; senior citizen \$15. The HCMA and Oakland County Parks permits, valid within both park systems, are \$48. Daily entry fee is \$5.

KENSINGTON

Note: For more information for registration, call the Kensington Park office at (248) 685-1561 or (800) 477-3178. The Nature Center office phone number is (248) 685-0603. Pre-registration required for programs and a \$2 fee per person unless stated otherwise. Park hours are 6 a.m.-10 p.m. daily.

Nature Center

Heron Watch: Sunday, May 15, 1-4 p.m. It's spring and the herons are back on the rookery. Spotting scopes will be out so that you can get a better look.

Heron Days: Saturday and Sunday, May 21 and 22, noon-4 p.m. Stop by to purchase books, and native trees and shrubs; look at live insect exhibits; view the heron rookery from the boardwalk and laugh at Rosco the Clown's shows.

Heron Watch: Saturday, May 28, 1-4 p.m. It's spring and the herons are back on the rookery. Spotting scopes will be out so that you can get a better look.

Exploring Pond Life: Sunday, May 29, 2-4 p.m. Join an interpreter and meet some of the pond's unique animals. Pre-registration required.

Reptiles in the Lobby: Monday, May 30, 2-4 p.m. Meet some of the critters that make Kensington Nature Center their home. Registration is not required.

Farm Center

Women's Kayak & Geocache: Sunday, May 15, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Go on a scavenger hunt in a kayak on the Huron River using a GPS device to plot your course and locate your treasure while learning a new skill. Fee: \$30 per person. Pre-registration is required by contacting Heavner Canoe online at heavnercanoe.com or at 248.685.2379. All equipment will be provided.

Family Fun Tri-Athletes: Sunday, May 29, 9:30 a.m.-noon. Plan a father/son or daughter day beginning with a hayride followed by a hike and then a canoe ride on the Huron River. Wrap up the day with lunch at the farm. Fee: \$30 per person. Pre-registration is required by contacting Heavner Canoe online at heavnercanoe.com or at 248.685.2379. All equipment will be provided.

INDIAN SPRINGS

Note: For more information for registration, call Indian Springs at (248) 625-7280 or (800) 477-3192. The golf course number is (248) 625-7870. Discovery Center number is (248) 625-6640.

Summer park hours are 7 a.m.-10 p.m. A metropark vehicle entry permit is required.

Environmental Discovery Center

Bears and Webelo Scouts - Space Badge: Sunday, May 15, 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Scouts will learn why the moon changes shape over time, learn to read their own star map for spring, print the spring constellations on their t-shirt and go stargazing in a "planetarium." Please bring a white or light color t-shirt. Fee \$4 per scout. Pre-registration required.

Inspect Insects Spring Edition: Sunday, May 15, 1 p.m. Out in the wild and inside your home there are countless insects crawling, climbing, flying and scurrying about. Explore the busy world of insects as we capture and examine these fascinating creatures. Fee \$3 per person. Pre-registration required.

Boy Scouts - Bird Study Merit Badge: Part I, Saturday May 21, 8 a.m. and Part II Sunday, May 22, 8 a.m. (2-day event), Environmental Discovery Center. The Haudenosaunee people believe that the birds were given the sacred task of finding

their unique place in the landscape and learning its song. By singing that song, they would lift the minds of the human family. Whether it's for pure enjoyment or to gain a greater understanding of ecology, our study of birds will definitely expand your mind, deepen your understanding of nature, and change the way you look at these magnificent creatures. Scouts will complete all of the requirements for their Bird Study Merit Badge over the course of this two-day workshop led by a certified merit badge counselor. Scouts should bring a pair of binoculars if at all possible. Fee \$16 per scout. Pre-registration required.

Woodland Hike with Discovery Backpacks: Saturday, May 28, 1 p.m. Join a park naturalist to explore the woodlands. Each group will use the tools contained in one of our "discovery backpacks" on this fun, family-friendly hike. Fee \$3 per person. Pre-registration required.

Tot Time: June Bugs: Saturday, June 4, 10 a.m. Go on an insect hunt! We will introduce our six-legged friends and make one to take home. For ages 2-5. Fee \$3 per person. Pre-registration required.

Microscope Madness: Saturday, June 4, 1 p.m. Discover the world of the unseen as we collect, view and learn about microscopic life with the aid of microscopes and computers. For ages 8 and up. Fee \$3 per person. Pre-registration required.

Salute to America - Colonial Paper Crafts: Saturday, June 11, 1 p.m. Celebrate being an American with some fun patriotic crafts. Make a traditional American wind vane, a stars 'n' stripes decorative ball and other fun stuff. While crafting, learn a bit about the significance of these items in our American history. For children in the first grade and up (will need parent's help). Pre-registration required.

Frog Catchin' Fun: Saturday, June 18, 1 p.m. Who doesn't love a frog's big, bulging eyes and smooth, slippery skin? We'll venture out to the park wetlands, learn to identify frogs by their calls, and try our hand at sneaking up on some of these fantastic amphibians. For ages 6 and up. Fee \$3 per person. Pre-registration required.

No Child Left Inside Week: GPS Picnic: Sunday, June 19, 11 a.m. Learn about latitude and longitude to see how GPS works, and then use a GPS unit to find practice geocaches hidden in the park. For children in the second grade and up. Fee \$3 per person. Pre-registration required.

'Water Quality CSI' Day Camp: Monday, June 20 - Wednesday, June 22, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Become a guest researcher during this three-day camp where you investigate what contaminants might be lurking in our natural waters. You will sample for metals, bacteria and natural contaminants, right beside researchers from Lake Superior State University. Get out into nature to collect your samples, perform DNA analyses right on site, and learn to interpret the results so you can share what you discover with others. If you have ever considered a career in science, this is an experience you can't afford to miss! Open to teens entering grades 9-12. Fee \$110 per teen. Pre-registration required.

June Stars in the Planetarium: Sunday, June 26, 1 p.m. Join an interpreter for story-telling of ancient sky legends, get a peek at the planets and learn how to find your way around the constellations of the summer sky in our Cubex planetarium. Bring a white or light-colored T-shirt and decorate it with the summer constellations. For children in the second grade and up. Fee \$4 per person. Pre-registration required.

Scientist for a Day - Day Camp: Tuesday, June 28 - Friday, July 1, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Become a modern-day explorer! Campers will become a different type of scientist each of the four days, trying experiments, making observations, using microscopes, doing "scientific" arts and crafts, and participating in other fun and games. Open to children entering grades 3-5. Fee \$75 per child. Pre-registration required.

MILESTONES

JULY WEDDING PLANNED

Royal Oak residents Paige Chittaro and Rhett Ashton announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Heather and Al Chittaro of Livonia, attended Western Michigan University and is employed by Entertainment Publications.

Her fiancé, son of Janet and Paul Ashton of Shelby Township, also attended Western Michigan University and is employed by ASI.

A July 2011 wedding is planned at St. Mary Catholic Church in Royal Oak.



Chittaro-Ashton

JUNE WEDDING PLANNED

Donna Lee Bobcean and David Bush announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Don and Marie Werton of Farmington Hills, earned a master's degree from Eastern Michigan University and works as a historian.

Her fiancé, son of Lilly and James Bush of Malibu, Calif., earned a Ph.D. at the University of California, Berkeley, and works as an aviator.

A June 2011 wedding is planned in Phoenix, Ariz.

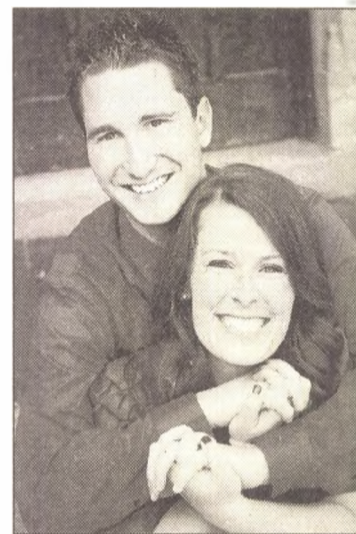
OCTOBER WEDDING PLANNED

Jessica Luella Kallgren and Garret Blaine White announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Suzanne and Robert LaPlante of Farmington Hills and Jeff and Jean Kallgren of Wixom, graduated from Michigan State University and works as a counselor.

Her fiancé, son of Susan and Blaine White of Howell, graduated from Cleary University and works in accounting.

An October 2011 wedding is planned in Howell.



Kallgren-White

NOAH ARRIVES

Noah William Battle was born Jan. 7, 2011, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia.

He joins his parents, Tim and Kristen, and sibling, Samantha, 9, at home in Howell.

Proud grandparents are Bill and Janet Heiob of South Lyon and Bob and Peg Battle of Livonia.



Noah William Battle

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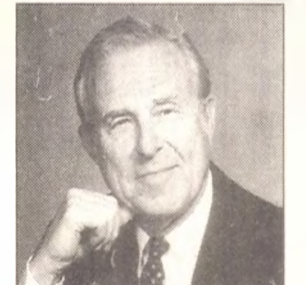
KNIGHTON, BURTON S.
Age 83, of Farmington, MI. Passed away May 10, 2011. Arrangements by: Thayer-Rock Funeral Home Farmington, MI

LIVERMORE, ALFRED H.
May 6, 2011, age 88. Husband of the late Joyce for 62 yrs. Father of Terry (Kim). Grandfather of Thomas & Lindsay (Mike) Boujoulain. Private services at Grandlawn Cemetery, www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com



NORTON, MARGARET R. (ROTTSCHAEFER)

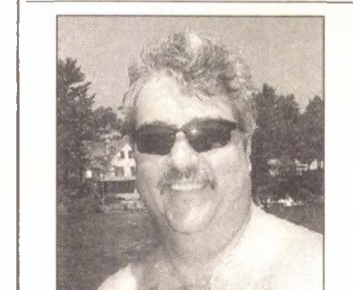
Of St. Anne's Mead in Southfield, formerly of Rochester Hills, died February 23, 2011 at the age of 97. She was born August 16, 1913 in South India to Dr. Bernard and Bernice Rottschaefer, Dutch Reformed missionaries. Her early education was at the Kodaikanal International School, which she visited in 1970 and 2001. In 1941, Margaret married James Horace Norton and together they had three daughters; Joan of Birmingham, MI, Nancy Sharpe-Blizard (Ricky) of Los Angeles, CA and Carol Springs (Gregory) of Anacortes, WA. Margaret had 7 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, James and granddaughter, Kathy. Margaret earned her B.A. from Hope College and her Masters from Wayne State University. She was a librarian at Mount Clemens High School. Margaret was a long-time member of the Rochester Historical Commission, the Mt. Avon Cemetery Board, the Rochester Hills Historical Society, and a former member of the A.A.U.W.; she was a member of the First Congregational Church of Rochester and more recently the Congregational Church of Birmingham. Her hobbies included reading, writing poetry, hiking, the study of history, and world travel. An important part of Margaret's life after she married Jim, was vacationing at their cottage on Basswood Lake in Canada. Her traveling companion for the last 16 years was her adored sister, Jean Upjohn of Kalamazoo, MI. Funeral service was held at the First Congregational Church of Rochester on Saturday, March 12, 2011 at 12:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, Memorial contributions may be made to Amnesti International USA, 322 Eighth Ave., New York, NY 10001.



YEAGER, WELDON OSBORNE

Retired insurance executive and President of Yeager and Company, Inc., died April 30, 2011 at his home in Palm Beach at the age of 88. He is survived by his wife Beverly White Yeager of Palm Beach and Tallahassee. He was born July 26, 1922, in Hillsboro, Ohio to Carl O. Yeager and Stella McCall Yeager. He graduated from Wayne State University with a B.S. Degree and lived in Bloomfield Hills, Harbor Springs and Birmingham, Michigan. While living in Michigan, he was very active in the Republican Party, holding several positions. He was elected to the Michigan State Legislature and also ran for Secretary of State. Governor George Romney appointed him as Director of the Michigan Workman's Compensation Department where he served for four years prior to starting his own insurance company. He moved to Ocean Ridge, Florida, and later Palm Beach following his retirement. While living in Ocean Ridge he served a term as mayor. Mr. Yeager was a generous philanthropist, supporting many charities; as well as The Royal Poinciana Chapel in Palm Beach, where he was a member. Mr. Yeager was also a member of the Four Arts, Beach Club, Club Colette, Old Guard Society, Palm Beach Yacht Club, and the English Weldon Osborne Yeager, retired insurance executive and President of Yeager and Company, Inc., died on April 30th in his home in Palm Beach, at the age of 88. He is survived by his wife Beverly White Yeager Speaking Union. Mr. Yeager also served in the Army Air Forces during World War II, and left the service with the rank of Captain. He is also survived by his son, Mark Yeager; his stepson David Gilman; his three granddaughters; one great-granddaughter; and his brother, David Yeager. Other survivors include an adopted daughter, Carey Yeager; an adopted son, Skye Yeager; a step-granddaughter Shana Gilman; and a step-grandson, Thomas E. Gilman, V. Mr. Yeager was preceded in death by his son, Richard Yeager; and step-son, Thomas E. Gilman, IV. Services were held earlier in Tallahassee and Palm Beach, Florida. Gifts in memory of Mr. Yeager may be made to The Royal Poinciana Chapel, Sixty Coconut Row, Palm Beach, FL 33480; or to Hospice of Palm Beach County, 5300 East Avenue, West Palm Beach, FL 33407. BEVIS FUNERAL HOME of Tallahassee (850-385-2193 or www.bevisfh.com) assisted the Yeager family.

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MULDOON, DOUGLAS J.

Age 50, May 5, 2011 of Livonia. Loving father of Christopher, Jaclyn (Josh) Truax and Scott. Beloved son of Sarah and the late Jerome. Dearest companion of Stephanie Gilliland. Dear brother of Jack, Tim, Barbara Salvadore, Kathy Nakoneczny and the late Norman Muldoon. Also survived by many dear friends. A Memorial Mass was held at St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church in Redford on May 10. Visitation was at R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, Livonia. Memorial contributions may be directed to the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center or the American Cancer Society. Please share a memory of Doug at www.rgrharris.com.

Paying Tribute to the Life of Your Loved One

Kensington to host concert on June 24 on beach

Get an early start celebrating our nation's birthday at "Pops Plus," a free, family-friendly concert performed by the Michigan Philharmonic on Maple Beach at Kensington Metropark on Friday, June 24, at 8 p.m.

Let the rich musical history of America fill your ears and enliven your national pride as the Michigan Philharmonic, lead by conductor Nan Washburn, plays both fun and classical pieces by American composers. Featured songs include, "Hoedown," by Aaron Copland, "An American in Paris," by George Gershwin and selections from Leonard Bernstein's West Side Story. A medley of patriotic songs like, "Yankee Doodle," "God Bless the U.S.A." and "This Land is Your Land" will also be performed. The concert will open with a rousing rendition of our national anthem, the Star-Spangled Banner, and will close with the iconic "1812 Overture" by Tchaikovsky.

A metroparks vehicle entry permit, which is only \$25 annually for regular admission, \$15 annually for seniors, or \$5 for a daily, is required to enter Kensington Metropark.

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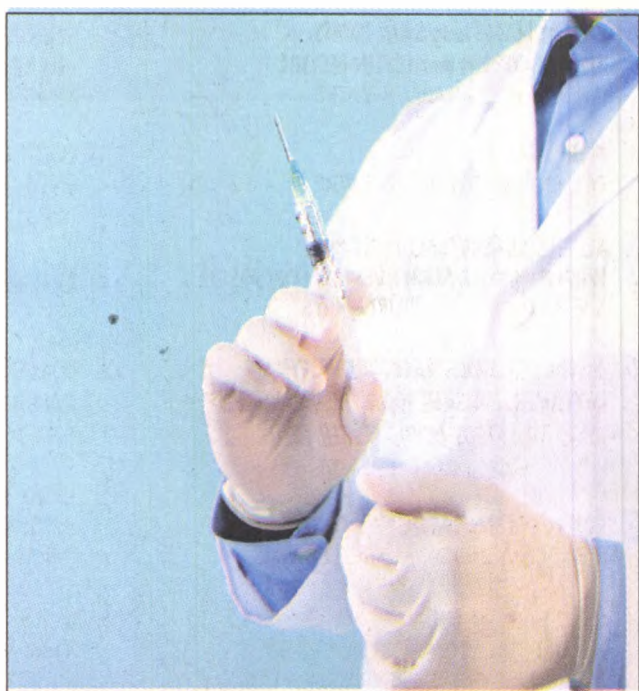
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Women need vaccines to stay healthy

In recognition of National Women's Health Week, the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) urges women to get vaccinated against serious diseases.

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists has issued an updated schedule of recommended screenings, lab tests, and vaccines for non-pregnant women, age 13 and older. The schedule includes information about which vaccines are recommended for certain age and risk groups. Women who are pregnant or are planning a pregnancy should talk to their doctor about the vaccines they need.

Before becoming pregnant, a woman should be up-to-date on routine adult vaccines. It is especially important that women receive Tdap vaccine, which protects against tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis (whooping cough). Infants less than 12 months especially are vulnerable to whooping cough, which is on the rise in the United States and in Michigan. Each year, there are around 3.3 million cases of pertussis in adolescents and adults. To protect infants, everyone around the baby — including parents, grandparents, siblings, day care and child care workers, and health care personnel — should be vaccinated against whooping cough and influenza.



During pregnancy, it is safe, effective, and important for women to receive the seasonal flu shot. A pregnant woman who gets the flu is at risk for serious complications and hospitalization. Often a mother's immunity is passed along to her baby during pregnancy. This protects the baby from some diseases during the first few months of life until the baby can get vaccinated. Since infants cannot receive the flu vaccine until 6 months, it is critical that pregnant women and those surrounding the baby get vaccinated.

After giving birth, it is safe for women to receive vaccines, even while breastfeeding. Women who have

not received Tdap vaccine should be vaccinated right after delivery, along with family members who have not received Tdap vaccine. Women who are not immune to measles, mumps and rubella and/or varicella (chickenpox) should be vaccinated before leaving the hospital. Women and their family members should receive seasonal flu vaccine every year, in order to protect vulnerable infants from this serious disease.

For information on vaccines women need, visit: www.immunizationforwomen.org/ For information on vaccines adults need, visit: www.adultvaccination.org/

Botsford Commons nurses earn recognition for work

The Michigan Holistic Nurses Association has recognized two Botsford Commons nurses for their excellence on the job.

Donna Spiers-Dunn, a nurse manager for Botsford Commons chronic and dementia programs received the Nursing Excellence Award for 2010-11.

Krystal Boddie, coordinator of education and training, also

was nominated for the award.

Both were nominated by the organization's Nursing Excellence Committee for doing their jobs in a way that reflects positively on the nursing profession as well as their own careers.

"We have such a tremendous nursing staff, and it is wonderful to see them recognized for all of their hard work and dedication," stated Michelle Cross,

Executive Director, Clinical Services. "Our staff is a large part of the success of Botsford Commons, and Donna and Krystal are perfect examples of that."

Botsford Commons Senior Community is a non-profit corporation providing housing and service options for seniors. For more information visit www.botsfordcommons.org.

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

MAY

Bowling fundraiser

Autism Speaks fundraiser runs 2-4 p.m. Sunday, May 15, at MerriBowl, 30950 Five Mile, between Merriman and Middlebelt in Livonia. Cost is \$20 for two hours of bowling, shoes, pizza, pop. Call (734) 261-6879 for more information.

St. Mary Mercy Hospital

- "Let's Get Ready to Have a Baby" is a five-week class that runs 7-9 p.m. Mondays, May 23-June 27. Participants will learn what to expect during pregnancy, labor and delivery and make the entire experience more rewarding. Fee is \$75 per couple. Register online at st.marymercy.org or call (734) 655-1162.
- A breastfeeding class designed for expectant mothers between the seventh and eighth month of pregnancy, runs 7-9 p.m. May 26. The class will focus on the benefits of breastfeeding for infant, mother, and family. Instructors will demonstrate the many techniques of breastfeeding. Class will include breastfeeding and the working mother, questions and concerns about breastfeeding, and a review of breastfeeding pumps along with other helpful books and supplies. \$25 per couple. Register at (734) 655-1162. The hospital is located at 36475 Five Mile, Livonia

Schoolcraft College

Learn about technologies and treatment options available in Women's Health at 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 25, at the college, 18600 Haggerty, just south of Seven Mile, Livonia. Presenters include Dr. Oscar Afari on "Minimally Invasive Surgery vs. Traditional Incisional Surgery - Amazing Recovery," Dr. Suchitra Zambare on "Women and Weight," Dr. Debra Hollander with "Why am I so stressed out?" and Dr. Chandrika Joshi with "Menopause:

Should I take HRT?" The free event is sponsored by St. John Providence Health System. Register at (866) 501-DOCS.

JUNE

St. Mary Mercy Hospital

- Bone Density Screening, Blood Pressure Screening and Massage will be offered from 5:30 - 7 p.m., with a lecture by Dr. Karol Otteman and Dr. Ramneet Mangat from 7 - 8:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 1. A \$5 goodwill donation is requested to benefit Marian Women's Center Programs. Register by calling (734) 655-1182.
- A community blood drive runs 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. June 2, in the auditorium at the hospital. Participants will receive a hockey puck stress reliever and will be entered into a drawing for \$3,000 worth of gasoline. Schedule an appointment at (800) GIVE-LIFE.
- A presentation on "Obstructive Sleep Apnea Treatment Options" with Tim Short of Healthcare Solutions, will run 7-8:30 p.m. in the hospital auditorium. Discover the latest in medical equipment, masks and supplies for sleep disorders, such as continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) technology. Individuals with a CPAP machine, may bring it along for a free pressure accuracy check. Register at (734) 655-4640. The hospital is located at 36475 Five Mile, Livonia.

Health care reform

Learn how health care reform applies to the day-to-day practice of medicine at "Health Care Reform, Accountable Care Organizations, and Physician Network... A Primer," 7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturday, June 11, at Henry Ford Hospital, 6777 Maple, West Bloomfield. Speakers will discuss topics such as health care reform's effect on medical schools, health care economics and accountable

care organizations' impact on health care reform. Cost is \$75 for physicians and \$50 for other professionals. Offers 4.0 AMA PRA Category 1 credits. Register at www.henryford.com/cmeevents.

Free fall risk screening

The screening will run 12:30-3 p.m. June 15, at The Recovery Project, LLC, 20000 Victor Parkway, Suite 100, Livonia. A physical and occupational therapist, pharmacist and physicians will provide vision, balance, medication, blood pressure, and home safety screens. (734) 953-1745.

Summer camp

The American Cancer Society offers a camp for children being treated for cancer or for those who are in remission. Cancer survivors, 4-15 may participate in one of two camps offered by the Society's Great Lakes Division: Young Camper's Day is a one-day program offered to children 4-6 on Sunday, June 19. Camp Catch-A-Rainbow is a weeklong summer camping experience, held June 19-24, for children 7-15. Both camps are held at the YMCA Storer Camps near Jackson, where children have access to activities such as swimming, horseback riding, archery, canoeing, arts and crafts. Health care professionals are available at the camp 24 hours a day, so most medical treatments, with the exception of radiation therapy, can be done onsite or at a nearby center. Registration is accepted through May 27. Get an application by calling (800) 227-2343 or by visiting www.cancer.org/campinbow.

ONGOING

Aquatic classes

The YMCA of Metropolitan Detroit and the Arthritis Foundation have partnered to offer aquatic classes designed to ease the pain of arthritis. Classes are held 10-11 a.m., Tuesday and Thursday at the Farmington branch; 1-1:45 p.m. Monday and Wednesday at the Livonia branch; and 2-3 p.m. Wednesday and Friday, at the Birmingham branch. All classes are offered to members and nonmembers of every age and participants do not need to know how to swim to participate. To join, interested individuals can contact their local YMCA branch or visit www.ymcadetroit.org.

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Men's Health: Knowing Some Warning Signs Can Save Lives (And Relationships)

Evidence that links heart disease and erectile dysfunction (E.D.) has been mounting during the past several years. In one study, 65% of men who experienced a heart attack had erectile dysfunction (E.D.) and no history of heart disease. Additionally, it has been documented that some men experience their first heart attack about 3 years after their first signs of E.D. Because the penile arteries are much smaller than arteries of the heart, evidence of cardiovascular disease can manifest first as Erectile Dysfunction symptoms, long before other symptoms occur.

The recognition of E.D. as a warning sign of silent vascular disease has led to the concept that a man with E.D. and no cardiac symptoms is a cardiac patient until proven otherwise.

Erectile Dysfunction (ED) is a common problem that affects millions of men. It is a barometer of overall Men's Health that can be an indicator of more serious life-threatening conditions such as heart disease, diabetes, and prostate cancer. It can also contribute to self-esteem issues, anxiety, depressive mood, and tension within a relationship.

If you are experiencing Erectile Dysfunction, you should seek treatment by a urologist.

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wsg JILL JACK
THE PALACE OF AUBURN HILLS

THIS SATURDAY

8:00 PM • BOB SEGER & THE SILVER BULLET BAND
wsg FRANKIE BALLARD
THE PALACE OF AUBURN HILLS

MAY

- 25 DOOBIE BROTHERS \$
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 27 EDDIE MONEY \$
wsg JESSE MONEY and 34 BLISS
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 28 CIRQUE D'OR (2 SHOWS!)
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL

JUNE

- 03 PHISH
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 04 THE MUSIC OF LED ZEPPELIN: \$
A ROCK SYMPHONY
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 06 RAY LaMONTAGNE AND THE PARIAS DOGS
wsg SECRET SISTERS and BRANDI CARLILE
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
- 10 GEORGE CLINTON & PARLIAMENT FUNKADELIC \$
MC HAMMER/MORRIS DAY AND THE TIME
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 12 HUEY LEWIS AND THE NEWS \$
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 13 GLEE LIVE! IN CONCERT!
THE PALACE OF AUBURN HILLS
- 14 RIHANNA
wsg B.o.B and J. COLE
THE PALACE OF AUBURN HILLS
- 16 NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK and
BACKSTREET BOYS wsg JORDIN SPARKS
THE PALACE OF AUBURN HILLS
- 16 GO-GO'S/THE B-52s \$
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 22 EARTH, WIND & FIRE
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 23 ALL-STAR MAGIC SHOW (2 SHOWS!) \$
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
- 24 TIM MCGRAW AND THE DANCEHALL DOCTORS
wsg LUKE BRYAN and THE BAND PERRY
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 24 BUDDY GUY wsg QUINN SULLIVAN/JONNY LANG
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
- 26 STEVEN CURTIS CHAPMAN ON SALE SATURDAY
wsg JARS OF CLAY/FRANCESCA BATTISTELLI
and CALEB \$
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 28 KATY PERRY
wsg MARINA & THE DIAMONDS
THE PALACE OF AUBURN HILLS

29 MOTLEY CRUE wsg POISON
and NEW YORK DOLLS
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

JULY

- 02 JOHN MICHAEL MONTGOMERY/ \$
LORRIE MORGAN
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 07 THE TEMPTATIONS/THE SPINNERS \$
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 08 PETER FRAMPTON
FRAMPTON COMES ALIVE 35TH ANNIVERSARY TOUR
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 08 1964... THE TRIBUTE \$
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
- 09 SUGARLAND wsg SARA BAREILLES
THE INCREDIBLE MACHINE TOUR
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 10 KID CUDI ON SALE SATURDAY
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 13 311 and SUBLIME with ROME
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 14 IF YOU GIVE A MOUSE A COOKIE (2 SHOWS!)
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
- 16 JOSH GROBAN
THE PALACE OF AUBURN HILLS
- 16 COMEDIAN DEMETRI MARTIN
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
- 17 GOO GOO DOLLS
wsg MICHELLE BRANCH and PARACHUTE
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
- 20 YES/STYX
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 21 JIMMY BUFFETT OLD DU...
& THE CORAL REEFER BAND
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 22 SLAYER/ROB ZOMBIE wsg EXODUS
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 23 KEITH URBAN wsg JAKE OWEN
THE PALACE OF AUBURN HILLS
- 23 CREEDENCE CLEARWATER REVISITED \$
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 23 O.A.R. wsg SOJA
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
- 24 PAT BENATAR & NEIL GIRALDO \$
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 27 MICHAEL McDONALD/BOZ SCAGGS ON SALE SOON
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 28 BRITNEY SPEARS wsg NICKI MINAJ,
JESSIE AND THE TOY BOYS and NERVO
THE PALACE OF AUBURN HILLS
- 29 THE WIGGLES BIG BIRTHDAY! (2 SHOWS!) \$
THE PALACE OF AUBURN HILLS
- 29 BEACH BOYS \$
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE
- 29 DIRECT FROM LAS VEGAS \$
"THE DIRTY JOKE SHOW"
starring GEECHY GUY
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
- 31 JOURNEY wsg FOREIGNER
and NIGHT RANGER
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

AUGUST

03 SADE wsg JOHN LEGEND
THE PALACE OF AUBURN HILLS

04 RASCAL FLATTS wsg SARA EVANS, ON SALE SATURDAY
EASTON CORBIN and JUSTIN MOORE
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

05 MEAT LOAF \$
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

06 ALL-STAR BASKETBALL FESTIVAL \$
WITH 3-POINT & SLAM DUNK CHAMPIONSHIP
THE PALACE OF AUBURN HILLS

06 DISTURBED, GODSMACK, MEGADETH,
IN FLAMES, MACHINE HEAD, TRIVIUM and more!
ROCKSTAR ENERGY DRINK MAYHEM FESTIVAL
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

06 COMEDIAN JIM GAFFIGAN
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL

07 STEVE MILLER BAND
wsg ERIC JOHNSON
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE ON SALE SOON

10 SELENA GOMEZ & THE SCENE
wsg ALLSTAR WEEKEND
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

11 CHRIS ISAAK
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL

12 IDENTITY ON SALE SATURDAY
TRAVELING ELECTRONIC MUSIC FESTIVAL
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

12 LOS LONELY BOYS/LOS LOBOS \$
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL

13 JEFFREY OSBORNE, PEABO BRYSON, \$
FREDDIE JACKSON AND HOWARD HEWETT
THE MEN OF SOUL TOUR
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

13 FAMILY DAY ON BROADWAY (2 PM) \$
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL

13 100 YEARS OF BROADWAY (8 PM) \$
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL

14 MICHAEL W. SMITH/THIRD DAY \$ \$
wsg CHRIS AUGUST ON SALE SOON
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

16 MY MORNING JACKET ON SALE SOON
wsg NEKO CASE
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL

17 DEF LEPPARD
wsg HEART and EVAN WATSON
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

18 DAVE MASON, \$
MARK FARNER (FORMERLY OF GRAND FUNK RAILROAD),
RICK DERRINGER, FELIX CAVALIERE'S RASCALS
and GARY WRIGHT
HIPPIEFEST 2011
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

19 THE J. GEILS BAND
wsg THE CHRIS ROBINSON BROTHERHOOD
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

19 RETURN TO FOREVER ON SALE SATURDAY
wsg ZAPPA PLAYS ZAPPA
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL

20 LIL WAYNE wsg RICK ROSS, ON SALE SOON
KERI HILSON, LLOYD
and FAR EAST MOVEMENT
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

21 TRAIN/MAROON 5
wsg GAVIN DeGRAW
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

21 GEORGE THOROGOOD & THE DESTROYERS \$
wsg KENNY WAYNE SHEPHERD ON SALE SOON
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL

23 KINGS OF LEON
wsg BAND OF HORSES
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

25 ARETHA FRANKLIN
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

25 CHILDREN'S CLASSIC \$
RAPUNZEL "UNTANGLED" (2 SHOWS!)
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL

26 KESHA wsg LMFAO
and SPANK ROCK
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

26 LAUGH-A-PALOOZA \$
with COMEDIAN TED ALEXANDRO
plus BEN KONSTANTIN, MARTEZ LAREECE
and NATE FRIDSON
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL

27 ALICE COOPER wsg ACE FREHLEY \$
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

27 WINE & FOOD FESTIVAL (1 PM - 9:30 PM)
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL

27 GETBACK! CAST OF BEATLEMANIA \$
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL

28 WHITESNAKE/TESLA
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

28 WINE & FOOD FESTIVAL (1 PM - 5:30 PM)
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL

28 BARRAGE FIDDLE SPECTACULAR \$
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL

SEPTEMBER

03 TED NUGENT \$
with the return of DEREK ST. HOLMES
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

10 MMA CAGE FIGHT FESTIVAL \$
MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL

18 TOBYMAC \$ \$ ON SALE SOON
wsg PETER FURLER/MANDISA
and JAMIE GRACE
DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

30 ENRIQUE IGLESIAS ON SALE SOON
wsg PITBULL and PRINCE ROYCE
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Where The Boys Are (And Aren't): Non-traditional Jobs For Women And Men

Beth Braccio Hering, Special to CareerBuilder

When was the last time a male dental hygienist cleaned your teeth?

Sure, we all know that women have significantly changed the face of the American work force over the past 50 or so years. And while children today rightly dream of becoming anything they want, the fact remains that some fields continue to be dominated by one gender over the other.

Here, a look at some of the careers in which female or male employees may not have much competition for the restroom:

Non-traditional jobs for women

The Bureau of Labor Statistics considers a job where less than 25 percent of the work force is female to be a "non-traditional" job for women. Among the fields that meet this criteria are:

- Logging
- Fishing, hunting and trapping
- Mining
- Construction
- Rail transportation
- Truck transportation
- Taxi and limousine service
- Couriers and messengers
- Utilities (such as electric power generation, natural gas

distribution and sewage treatment

• Repair and maintenance of electronic and precision equipment, commercial and industrial machinery, and autos

While there are a significant number of women employed in manufacturing, they tend to be better represented in some segments over others. For instance, about a third of the 1,467,000 people employed in the making of computer and electronic products are women. But men overwhelmingly dominate in the production of nonmetallic mineral products (think cement, pottery and glass), metal products (such as iron and steel), machinery, transportation equipment and wood products.

Nearly half of the people employed in retail trade are women. Very few of them, however, are automobile or other motor vehicle dealers; work at stores selling auto parts, accessories or tires; or are vending machine operators. Likewise, women may account for about 30 percent of all wholesale trade employees but are rarely merchant wholesalers of recyclable materials, farm product raw materials, groceries or alcoholic beverages.

Non-traditional jobs for men

Walk into any child day care service and you'll likely be greeted by a woman. Of the 1,563,000 employees in that field, a whopping 95.3 percent are female. Among other industries

the BLS classifies as "non-traditional" for men:

- Veterinary services
- Gift, novelty and souvenir shops
- Libraries and archives
- Beauty salons
- Social assistance

Employment in private households

So what about health care and education? Two fields often associated with women?

Male nurses are still rather rare, though their numbers are growing. The most recent national nursing survey by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Health Resources and Services Administration reports that men accounted for 6.6 percent of all RNs in 2008, up from 5.8 percent in the 2004 survey.

Women continue to make up at least three-fourths of the work force at hospitals; the offices of physicians, dentists and optometrists; and outpatient care centers. Men account for only 13 percent of the workers at nursing care facilities, and even fewer are employed in home health care.

As for education, numbers can be

deceiving. Although the BLS found that men account for about 30 percent of those employed in educational services as a whole, they tend to gravitate towards colleges, universities and technical or trade schools. If you can't remember your child ever having a male primary-school teacher, you're not alone. According to the National Education Association, only 17 percent of elementary-level teachers are men. (Men do, however, represent about a third of middle-school teachers and about half of high school teachers.)

The most gender-neutral fields

Grocery stores employ equal numbers of men and women. In manufacturing, the work force is nearly split in textile product mills (except carpets and rugs) and in places producing soaps, cleaning compounds and cosmetics. Other industries that are at or close to 50-50 include:

- Leisure and hospitality
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One last figure (which might surprise some): 50.2 percent of gas station workers are female. Maybe there is hope yet for male dental hygienists to become commonplace.

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Even though the Acura ZDX crossover coupe has all-wheel drive and good ground clearance, it doesn't drive like an SUV. It feels tight and solid on twisty two-lane roads. Choppy pavement reveals that the ride is quite firm, but it is not objectionable.

The company calls the ZDX a four-door sports coupe even though the precise definition of coupe is a car with two doors.

The ZDX rides on the chassis of an SUV but it definitely has the heart of a coupe.

As we drove a local parkway, a couple pulled alongside, rolled down the window of their car and commented on how much they liked the Acura's styling. We were surprised that the ZDX drew so many admiring looks.

Size may be one reason the ZDX draws so much attention. It is relatively wide, and it sits tall like the MDX sport utility. The aggressive design, however, has a presence that makes the car hard to ignore.

The steeply sloping roof is only one part of the car's visual appeal. Deep shoulders over the back wheel accentuate the car's muscularity, and an all-glass roof runs from the windshield to the tailgate. The roof is pinched in at the back, and that, too, gives the ZDX a distinctive appearance.

Getting into the back seat is not easy because of the sloping roof, but the space is tolerable for relatively short distances once you're inside.

Who's supposed to be buying the ZDX? Acura said the car is designed for buyers who want the intimacy of a coupe with the flexible cargo space and all-road capability of an SUV. Clearly this target demographic is small, and Acura predicts sales of 8,000 units per year.

The refined interior and luxurious materials make the ZDX a pleasant car to drive. The seats are among the best we've

seen, and the instrument panel that wraps around the driver and passenger has great lines and nice leather covering. The matte black center stack is unique.

Standard equipment includes a Bose stereo, power liftgate, rearview camera and 19-inch wheels. The Advance package adds adaptive cruise control, blind-spot monitoring system, ventilated seats and a collision mitigation system. The Technology package adds surround-sound stereo, navigation and a rear camera that lets the driver select three distinct views.

The ZDX uses many components from the MDX, but they have all been retuned for this application. The engine is a 300-horsepower, 3.7-liter unit that provides excellent power across the entire rev range. It accelerates smoothly while noise and vibration are held in check.

The six-speed automatic transmission can be shifted manually with paddles on the steering wheel.

The size of the cargo compartment is hindered by the steeply sloping roof, but when the seats are folded the result is a long, deep space big enough to haul a bicycle.

The cargo space is finished with nice carpeting and plated handles. The side panels of the trunk come out to accommodate four golf bags. The cargo floor opens to reveal a good-sized storage space that can be used to keep valuables out of sight.

TECHNOLOGY UPDATE: Mercedes-Benz dealers have begun using Apple iPads as an alternative to printed literature to answer questions about the 2012 CLS-Class. The CLS-Class iPad app, created by All Things Media and assigned to sales people in Mercedes showrooms this month, provides virtual tours of the car, an "Explore" customization tool and



Driving the Acura ZDX is as nimble as a coupe with the space of a sport-utility vehicle.

videos promoting the luxury car's technical proficiencies.

NEW STUDY: Scuderi Group reports a study conducted by the Southwest Research Institute on a 2011 Nissan Sentra showed a turbocharged Scuderi Air-Hybrid Engine can cut gas use of the Sentra by 36 percent. The engine boosts miles per gallon by 54 percent. That means a car with a 16-gallon gas tank that gets 30 mpg can drive 243 miles farther by using a Scuderi instead of a factory engine. Scuderi is in talks with 15 automakers worldwide to get them to use the fledgling technology.

SPARE PARTS: Bob Frayer, supervisor of engineering laboratories at NSF International in Ann Arbor, earned the Industry Award from the Automotive Body Parts Association. He was recognized for creating an in-house certification program that ensures bumpers, absorbers and other auto parts meet high quality, safety and performance standards. ... Toyota this week opened the first hydrogen fueling station in the U.S. fed directly from an active industrial hydrogen pipeline. The station is a partnership of Toyota, Shell, the Department of Energy and two other companies. It will provide hydrogen for fuel-cell cars in California. ... IndyCar driver Townsend Bell is the new brand ambassador of the members-only Thermal Motorsports Track & Club in Palm Springs, Calif. Bell, driver of the No. 99 Herbalife car, will create niche driving programs at the club.

HAWKE NEW HQ FOR PORSCHE: Porsche Cars North America will begin building a headquarters in Atlanta this fall near a terminal at the Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport. The HQ, which is expected to open in summer 2013, will be home to 400 employees who will staff a Technical Service and Training Center and Customer Experience Center, Detlev von Platen, president of the North American unit of Porsche Cars, said this week. The headquarters also will include a road course to showcase the sports cars' performance. The company will move Porsche Financial and Porsche Business from Lisle, Ill., to Atlanta in 2013 to put everyone in one location. Porsche sells about 25,000 cars per year to Americans, including the Cayenne and Panamera Gran Turismo. Porsche opened its Porsche of the Motor City dealership in Eastpointe this spring to serve Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. The service manager there is John Wilson. He can be reached at (586) 435-8350.

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