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The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education meets in a special session Monday, Sept. 24, to begin the process of finding a new, permanent superintendent.

Board members will meet at 5 p.m. in the E.J. McClendon Educational Center, 454 S. Harvey, to interview firms interested in helping the district with the search for a replacement for Dr. Jeremy Hughes, whose contract expires at the end of the 2012-13 school year.

Hughes signed on two years ago as the interim superintendent, then agreed halfway through last year to stay on one additional school year.

Board members hope to have a new superintendent in place by the spring of 2013.



Hughes interested in helping

Recounts confirm clerk, treasurer race winners

By Matt Jachman
Observer Staff Writer

Thursday's recounts in two Plymouth Township Republican primary races didn't change the outcomes, but increased the winners' victory margins.

In the race for township clerk, challenger Nancy Conzelman picked up a net of 14 votes during the recount, finishing with 2,260 votes to 2,245 for Clerk Joe Bridgman, who gained a net seven votes. Bridgman had petitioned for the recount after

Marathon effort reviewed thousands of ballots, A3.

losing the Aug. 7 primary to Conzelman by eight votes.

In the race for treasurer, the recount found an additional 13 net votes for incumbent Ron Edwards, who finished with 2,479 votes to 2,075 for challenger Edwin Schulz, who picked up nine. The final margin between them was 404 votes; Schulz, who was not present Thursday, had asked for the recount after losing by 400 votes.

Reached Friday afternoon,

Schulz said he accepts the results of the recount but is considering a write-in challenge to Edwards in the clerk's race.

Conzelman, an attorney, thanked Wayne County elections workers and the challengers for all sides, who spent a long day in the township hall meeting room examining thousands of ballots. Setup for the recount began around 8 a.m., and it was after 7:30 p.m. when the last election worker left the building.

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Enjoli Conley and Janice Nielsen of the Wayne County Board of Canvassers conduct the Plymouth Township recount.

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Ricky Thiele and Kyle Bondy at the White Mountain National Forest in New Hampshire.

A study in self

Trail walk teaches buddies some lessons

By Matt Jachman
Observer Staff Writer

Far from the comforts and convenience of suburbia, Ricky Thiele and Kyle Bondy learned about their world — and themselves — during a four-month summer adventure, picking up lessons that, they say, will shape the rest of their lives.

Thiele and Bondy, longtime friends who grew up in Plymouth Township, recently ended a hike of about 2,000 miles on the 2,184-mile Appalachian Trail, traveling through 14 states, crossing mountain ranges, national parks and town squares and meeting dozens of other hikers. Their trip began May 6 at Springer Mountain, Ga., and ended Sept. 1 in Augusta, Maine; they had hiked it each carrying about 35 pounds of clothing, food and gear, sleeping in their tent or in crude trail shelters, with the occasional night at a hotel or hiking hostel.

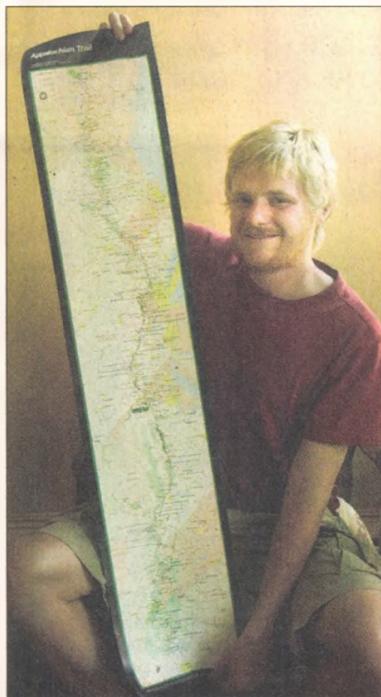
"You learn that you just don't really need much to live," Bondy, 20, said by phone Friday. "You can get by on just a little bit."

Bondy, who had finished two years of college and worked three jobs before the hike, said he learned to appreciate the simplicity of nature.

"It heals the soul. It brings you back," he said. "I just wanted to see what it's like to live without anything, and so did Kyle," Thiele said recently at a Plymouth coffee shop. "It's really relieving to have so little stuff."

People are good

Thiele said the experience reaffirmed for him the



Ricky Thiele holds a map of the Appalachian Trail.

Candidates threw cash at primary

By Matt Jachman
Observer Staff Writer

Plymouth Township's Republican trustee candidates spent a total of more than \$23,000 campaigning for last month's primary, which whittled the field from 13 to four, three of them incumbents.

Campaign finance reports filed with Wayne County show Trustee Mike Kelly, who finished fourth in the race, spent more than any other candidate, totaling nearly \$4,500. The reports show Kelly provided all of his own campaign funding.

The pre- and post-primary reports are filed in county Clerk Cathy Garrett's office.

Among the other winners in the trustee race, Trustee Bob Doroshewitz, who finished first, spent \$2,634, and Chuck Curmi, a former trustee seeking a return to the board, spent \$3,116. Aside from two contributions totaling \$650, Curmi provided all of his campaign funding.

Curmi finished third in the race; Trustee Kay Arnold, who finished second, had a reporting waiver on file indicating her fundraising and spending would be less than \$1,000.

Challenger Jennifer Mann, who finished fifth, spent \$1,294 in the race, and former assistant township clerk Sandra Groth, who finished seventh, spent at least \$3,900, according to her pre-primary report.

Groth said Thursday she would be late in filing her post-primary report due to a serious illness in the family, so her campaign spending for the cycle is likely to be greater when the latest report is added. Groth's campaign will be subject to a county late filing fee.

Postage, printing, signs and office supplies were the most common expenditures listed in the reports.

Among other candidates, Art Butler, who finished sixth, spent about \$3,620, Paul Schulz, who finished eighth, spent \$3,185, and Christopher Hull, who finished 11th, spent about \$1,449, the reports show.

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Federal agents arrested Dr. Mikhail Soliman at his office on Wayne Road just south of Glenwood.

Plymouth doctor charged in Medicare fraud case

An indictment was unsealed Friday charging Dr. Mikhail Soliman, 59, of Plymouth, with Medicare fraud and distribution of prescription drugs, U.S. Attorney Barbara L. McQuade announced today.

McQuade was joined in the announcement by Special Agent in Charge Robert L. Corso, U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Detroit Field Division; Special Agent in Charge, Robert D. Foley III, Federal Bureau of Investigation; Special Agent in Charge Lamont Pugh, Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General; and Wayne Police Chief Jason Wright.

The ten-count indictment charges that between 2007 and 2012, Soliman billed Medicare for services not rendered and distribut-

ed controlled substances outside the course of usual medical practice and for no legitimate purpose. During that time, Soliman billed Medicare for approximately \$4,155,565 in claims. The majority of the claims were for physician home visits that were purportedly provided when Soliman was not present in the home, as required by Medicare. Soliman is also charged with providing prescriptions for OxyContin, Vicodin, and other pharmaceutical narcotics in exchange for cash payments outside the course of usual medical practice and for no legitimate purpose.

"Medicare is intended to provide health care funds for our most vulnerable citizens," McQuade said. "Doctors and other providers who steal taxpay-

er money by cheating the Medicare program will be prosecuted."

Corso called the arrest "another example of the DEA's determination to combat the troubling prescription drug abuse problem in this country."

"Soliman abused his position of trust and jeopardized the lives of many individuals by illegally distributing highly addictive opiate painkillers," Corso said. "Today's arrest makes it clear that the DEA and our partners in law enforcement will continue to investigate and bring to justice those individuals that are responsible for the illegal distribution of prescription medicines."

Soliman was arrested Friday and appeared in federal court Friday for his arraignment.

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In addition to Arnold, three other candidates — Janai Stepp, Andrew Justus and Mark Christenson — had reporting

waivers. Candidate Don Schnettler, who ran for supervisor in 2008, had no records on file indicating he had a candidate committee in the trustee race.

Primary winners Doroshewitz, Arnold, Curmi and Kelly will face Democrats

Joanne Lamar and Alanna Maguire in the Tuesday, Nov. 6, general election. Lamar and Maguire sailed through an uncontested Democratic primary.

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Marathon effort reviewed thousands of ballots

By Matt Jachman
Observer Staff Writer

Plymouth Township Hall became "the front lines of democracy," as one witness put it, during Thursday's marathon recounts in two township Republican primary contests.

Wayne County elections workers, monitored by challengers and the candidates themselves, reviewed thousands of ballots cast in the Aug. 7 primary, hand-counting votes for each of the four candidates involved. The nearly 11-hour process didn't change the outcomes, instead boosting the winning margins for primary winners Ron Edwards, the incumbent treasurer, and Nancy Conzelman, who now appears to be a shoo-in for township clerk.

The recounts had been sought by Clerk Joe Bridgman, who lost the primary to Conzelman by eight votes, and by treasurer candidate Edwin Schulz, who lost to Edwards by 400 votes.

"That's the democratic process," said Bridgman after learning he had lost the recount. "The people of Plymouth Township spoke — very simply." The recount increased Conzelman's winning margin to 15 votes, and Bridgman said he would present no more challenges to the outcome.

For the most part, the mood was pleasant, sometimes collegial, as candidates and their supporters talked and joked with each other and with elections workers, and occasionally ducked into a conference room for coffee, pop, bagels and doughnuts. Chairs were set up for onlookers and challengers on breaks, and, although people came and went, there were generally around 50

people in the Township Hall meeting room at any given time.

The recounts were done by about 15 employees of the elections division in county Clerk Cathy Garrett's office, supervised by county elections director Delphine Oden.

The work took place at six tables in the meeting room, where ballots were reviewed precinct by precinct. Each table was occupied during the sessions by two elections workers, plus four challengers, two for each candidate. Within each precinct, the clerk's race was recounted first, then the treasurer's race, meaning challengers were sometimes trading places.

Several challengers, however, were witnessing for two candidates: either Conzelman and Edwards, or Bridgman and Schulz.

The elections workers held up ballots one at a time, allowing witnesses to examine each and agree or challenge their conclusion on how it was cast. The candidates — minus Schulz, who did not appear — and their lawyers strolled the room, sometimes looking at the process, sometimes conferring with each other.

Ballots on which no vote was cast in the contested races, and Democratic-voted ballots, were set aside. Ballots on which voters crossed party lines in the partisan section were also set aside, except when a clear attempt had been made by the voter to correct the mistake.

Such corrected ballots were most often found among absentee ballots, as people who visit the polls on election day are given a chance to recast spoiled ballots.

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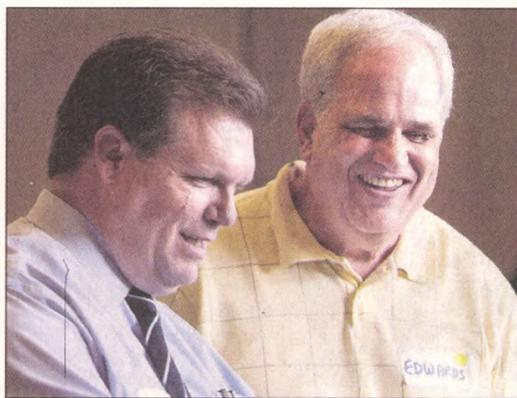
"I am very happy, and I am extremely grateful to everyone who spent a very long day here supporting their candidates," she said.

Conzelman said that in none of the precincts recounted did the precinct total in her race move more than two votes. Conzelman has smooth sailing to the clerk's office, as she has no Democratic opponent in the Tuesday, Nov. 6, general election.

Bridgman said the recount was worthwhile, but that his challenge to the primary's outcome would end with it. Bridgman, who was seeking a second term, said he was uncertain about what he would do next.

"I haven't decided that," he said. "I never had a second plan."

Edwards said he was not surprised at the outcome in his race. He



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Plymouth Township Clerk Joe Bridgman and treasurer Ron Edwards share a laugh during the election recount. Edwards won the challenge in his race; Bridgman did not.

had joked for several hours Thursday afternoon that he wanted to finish 404 votes ahead of Schulz, adding four votes to his original margin, and laughed when Delphine Oden, the county's director of elections, confirmed that was indeed the number.

"He's just vindictive, that's all it is," Edwards said of Schulz. Edwards,

who is seeking a fifth term as treasurer, faces Democrat Rita White in the general election, and a possible write-in challenge from Schulz, who said he plans to soon reach a decision.

Schulz said his bid was not vindictive, that he just wanted to see the recount process, not knowing the likelihood that the margin might



More than 7,000 ballots must be counted by hand.

change in his favor. "I didn't really know what the outcome would be," he said. "I believe each candidate's entitled to a recount."

Schulz said he was out of town during the recount, and hadn't been notified of it until Monday.

The Wayne County Board of Canvassers is scheduled to meet Tuesday to certify the recount results.

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District struggles with bus issues

By Brad Kadrich
Observer Staff Writer

Five times in the first week of school, substitute drivers had to be used on the bus routes serving Melissa Uhl's Isbister Elementary neighborhood.

Several times, the buses were late getting to the bus stops. Other times, they were late dropping children off. On at least one occasion, the Plymouth mother told the Board of Education, a child was dropped off at the wrong stop.

Uhl, the mother of three, including a brand-new kindergartner she said was so excited to finally be able to ride the bus he couldn't sleep the night before, detailed observations such as drivers consulting maps, "careening" off of pavement onto the dirt, and even, she said, hitting street signs.

"While we understand there are circumstances beyond someone's control, most of these issues could have been eliminated quickly had there been a proactive plan in place," said Uhl, herself a graduate of the district. "For those families that have been affected, we've requested the board communicate to the community ... to identify corrective measures, and an apology to students and parents who've been inconvenienced."

While both Jeremy Hughes, the district's superintendent, and Phil Freeman, the assistant superintendent for



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Plymouth-Canton Community Schools administrators have had a difficult time keeping enough drivers on hand to handle some 125 bus routes a day throughout the district.

facilities and operations, offered Uhl the apology she sought, Freeman did point out there are ongoing problems with transportation that couldn't have been anticipated.

Losing drivers

The district, which before the 2011-12 school year privatized its bus drivers and contracted with Michigan Educational Transportation System to provide transportation, lost an estimated 25 percent of its drivers over the summer, including several drivers in the days leading up to the beginning of school.

Freeman said the district started the year with six substitute drivers, "which would have left us in good stead," he said. The problem, he explained, is drivers are leaving METS for better-paying jobs.

METS pays drivers about \$16.25 per hour, but with a lesser health care plan and no pension. It becomes a problem, Freeman pointed out, because Plymouth-Canton bus drivers move some 10,000

students more than 1.7 million miles every year.

"The problem we're having is as the economy continues to get better the opportunities for drivers start opening up," Freeman said. "This past week we lost three drivers to other companies who pay more than METS is paying, have better benefits and are offering retirement to their drivers. It's the market."

METS officials did not return a call seeking comment.

Freeman said the district is hiring new drivers, but the training process takes a little time.

"We are really struggling to get people in, to get them trained, and get them on the road," Freeman said. "We don't want to do that in a hurry. We want to make sure we've got qualified and safe drivers on the road."

Other issues, Freeman said, are "typical start-of-the-year" issues, including having new drivers learning new routes, drivers who started the year with medical problems and construction projects, particularly around Haggerty and the I-275 area, which have slowed things down.

"We are getting people on the road later than we'd like to have without the practice that we'd like for them to have," Freeman acknowledged. "We've been working with METS all summer to address these issues."

Pushing METS

Trustee Mark Horvath, who was not on the

board when the decision was made to privatize bus drivers, said the "typical start-of-the-year stuff" argument shouldn't fly.

"Busing to me is a huge part of what we do, a huge part of our competitive advantage," Horvath said. "Personally, I don't want to hear 'This is a part of doing business.' Our customers don't like it, we shouldn't like it, we should never say 'it's the beginning of the school year.' We have a beginning of the school year every year. We've got to get it right."

Freeman said he believes the district will "get it right," and has been pushing METS to get qualified drivers in tow.

"We have been pressing METS throughout the summer to make sure their hiring was aggressive, that their training was as aggressive as it possibly could be," Freeman said. "The (driver) turnover issue is something that's very hard to control. We are paying a wage that isn't as competitive as it should be. It's very difficult for us in this market to maintain our drivers."

"This isn't just a Plymouth-Canton issue, it's also an issue throughout the county," Freeman added. "Do we press METS every day? Yes. We're asking for daily reports, not only about where they stand with their hiring and training, but we also ask them what steps they are taking to make sure we are not leaving routes uncovered."

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District sets record in National Merit race

By Brad Kadrich
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With three high schools making up the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park, the number of students achieving academic success such as becoming a National Merit Scholarship semifinalist has always been high, usually more than a dozen. But this year's list was enough to set a record, as 28 P-CEP students were named semi-finalists for the 2013 scholarship program.

District officials said that number sets a record, and attributed it to teachers and students and their families.

"We have great teachers, and they deserve a lot of credit for this," said Erin MacGregor, the district's director of secondary education. "We also have great kids, who have great families who are willing to put the work in to achieve this kind of academic success."

District officials said the district has seen averages of 12-20 students per class in recent years. The National Merit Scholarship Program has named approximately 16,000 academically talented high school seniors as semifinalists.

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The semifinalists include:

- From Canton High School — Bryant Chen, Shannon Guo, Paul Lou, Robert Morgan, Souvik Roy, Angela Sun, Durga Tata and Rachel Xiang.

- From Plymouth High School — Nihal Anishetty, Shirley Chen, Shelby L. Crosier, Mengdan Dai, Lindsey M. Gryniewicz, Calgary M. Haines-Trautman and Lara Stojanov.

- From Salem High School — Madeline Buchel, Katherine Chen, Abigail Collingwood, Natasha Consul, Annie Fu, Eric Gaskell, Michael Karizat, Kevin Luo, Grant McKinney, Eleanor Pence, Andrea Ringer, Shaonan Shen and Jason Zhang.

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Cherry Hill work adds to construction woes

By Darrell Clem
Observer Staff Writer

Canton residents, mail carriers and business owners are bemoaning the closing of the Cherry Hill Road overpass across I-275 as this bustling community continues to find alternate routes amid a busy road construction season.

The latest orange-barrel headache is expected to last through late October. Meanwhile, Canton motorists continue to face partial I-275 ramp closings at Ford Road and Michigan Avenue, along with the shutdown of the Warren Road overpass.

The projects, along with the newly reopened Palmer Road overpass, come as the Michigan Department of Transportation continues this construction season to complete a flurry of bridge and road repairs along the I-275 corridor.

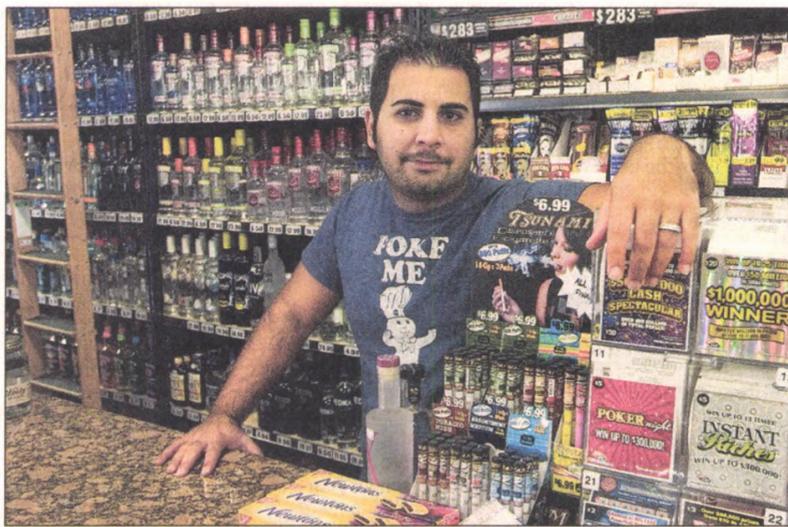
Motorists concede the repairs will lead to better roads, but that hasn't eased the short-term pain.

Johnnie Pettway, who lives on Canton's west side, already had a long commute along Cherry Hill on her way to care for her sister in Detroit.

"It's very hard to get around," she said Thursday. "My commute has become longer and more expensive due to gas prices. Now I have to go out of my way."

Pettway has resorted to taking Cherry Hill to Haggerty and then driving north to Ford Road, where partial ramp closings have hampered traffic.

Mathai Mamachan, a Canton resident and mail carrier, talked about traffic problems Thursday as he made his delivery



Lenny Garmo, who manages Maria's Marketplace, says customers are still getting to his store despite road construction.

in the Wyndchase Townhomes at Cherry Hill and Haggerty.

Rather than using the Cherry Hill overpass to cross I-275 for another leg of his route, Mamachan said he has to drive south on Haggerty to Palmer, then east to Lotz and back up to Cherry Hill.

"It's worse in the evening, when there's more traffic," he said.

Lenny Garmo, manager of the newly remodeled Maria's Marketplace on the northwest corner of Cherry Hill and Haggerty, said area road con-

struction projects have made for a longer commute to his home in Commerce Township.

Garmo said the closing of the Cherry Hill overpass also has caused some temporary hassles for his customers, though he seemed pleased shoppers are still reaching the store.

"It has definitely affected us," he said. "I have customers every day telling me that they're coming out of their way to get here. There's not much we can do about it."

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GENEALOGICAL MEETING

Date/Time: Monday, Sept. 17, 6:30 p.m.
Location: Livonia Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia
Details: Western Wayne

County Genealogical Society will be meeting. The program will be WWCS President, Stephanie Smith, explaining the process of navigating the Society's new website. She will also include an explanation of how members can include their own personal information, such as surnames. The main speaker, following the 7:30 p.m. business meeting will be Byron Bailey presenting "The Forgotten War - the War of 1812." The meetings are open to the

public. Guests are always welcome.
Contact: For further information, visit our website @ www.rootsweb.com/~miwwcgs/
CHARTER OPEN HOUSE
Date/Time: Tuesday, Sept. 25, 6-8 p.m.
Location: Plymouth Scholars Charter Academy, 48484 N. Territorial in Plymouth
Details: Plymouth Scholars Charter Academy hosts an open house, where staff members will be on hand to

present information about the school. The meeting will include an informal question-and-answer period.
Contact: Call (866) 642-3676.
COLBECK TIME
Date/Time: Wednesday, Sept. 19, 6-7 p.m.
Location: Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main
Details: State Sen. Patrick Colbeck, R-Canton, hosts an office hour in Plymouth. Colbeck will be on hand to

respond to concerns any residents of his district may have. This will be an opportunity for local residents to meet with Colbeck to address issues related to state government. No appointment is necessary.
Contact: For more information or to contact Colbeck, please visit www.senator-patrickcolbeck.com or call (734) 335-0673.
HEISE COFFEE
Date/Time: Friday, Sept. 21, 7:30-9 a.m.

Location: Panera Bread, 400 S. Main in Plymouth
Details: State Rep. Kurt Heise is sponsoring coffee hours to give residents a convenient opportunity to meet with him locally. Heise is also available to meet with constituents by appointment either in the district or at his Lansing office.
Contact: Residents are invited to call toll free 1-855-REPKURT or e-mail kurtheise@house.mi.gov to schedule an appointment.

AMERICAN SEWING GUILD
Date/Time: First Thursday of each month, 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Location: First Presbyterian Church, 701 Church St., Plymouth

Details: The American Sewing Guild-Plymouth-Canton Neighborhood Group is open to all sewists of all levels. Demonstrations at upcoming meetings include "Sewn Yarn Scarf" Oct. 1; and "Purse/tote challenge judging and holiday gift ideas" Nov. 1.
Contact: For more information, email asgpc@comcast.net

CRAFTERS NEEDED
Date/Time: Friday, Nov. 16, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Location: Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish, 47650 N. Territorial, Plymouth
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basic goodness of people. "It helped renew faith in everyone," he said. The two graduated from Plymouth High School in 2010 and, after that, attended different community colleges. They also worked, Thiele in the service department at an automobile dealership and Bondy in the restaurant industry, including at the Daydream Cafe in Canton Township.

Their trip was inspired by a *National Geographic* documentary they saw on the Appalachian Trail, or AT, as it's called in hiking lingo.

"Yeah, let's go do that," Bondy remembers he and Thiele saying to each other after watching the show. "It was as simple as that. We just told each other we were going to do it and we did it."

Their friends and families thought they were crazy.

"Everyone told us not to go there. Everyone told us it was a stupid idea," Bondy said. "We pretty much said, 'We're going to live a life of adventure.'"

They did prepare, however, for about a year and a half, reading books



Ricky Thiele at Webster Cliffs, White Mountains National Forest.

and websites about the AT and regularly hiking Powell Road while wearing backpacks, each with two 20-pound dumbbells in them.

Their dads, Rick Thiele and Tim Bondy, traveled with them to the trailhead in Georgia, hiking with them for the first mile.

"I was nervous as heck the first day," Ricky Thiele said, remembering how he contemplated the trail ahead from a Georgia motel room the night before they set out. "What the heck have I gotten myself into?" he thought.

Rock climb

The hike took them

over mountains, rock formations and rivers, and sometimes straight through towns along the way. Thiele said he got a sense of how tough it would be when they crossed from Georgia into North Carolina and faced "an endless rock staircase."

"That's when it dawned on me that this probably wasn't going to be easy," he said.

Nevertheless, they averaged 20 to 25 miles a day, sometimes taking "mile-free days" to relax and enjoy the trail. They had to restock their food supply every week or so, walking into towns when they could, gener-

ally in more densely populated areas, and sometimes hitching rides from locals, who are used to trail folk.

"You look like a hiker. You smell like a hiker," Thiele said. "People know what you want."

Thiele spoke of "trail angels" who would leave food and drink along the way, or in one case, put them up in a motel.

"When people do good to you, you just want to do good generally," he said.

They also met Thiele's mother, Karen Thiele, relaxing in a hotel in Pennsylvania, and spent some time with a hiker they met, Vinny, at his home in the Philadelphia area.



Ricky Thiele and a local dog in Grayson Highlands, Va.

There were some dangers, such as punishing rock formations, ticks, 100-degree-plus heat and their encounter, in New Jersey of all states, with a black bear, about 10 feet away.

"You're not supposed to run, but we ran," Thiele said.

All-state hike

The hike ended badly after Bondy, who had hurt his right foot in the mountains in New Hampshire, was diagnosed with stress fractures in two toes in Gorham, N.H. Still, they pushed on for several days, determined to make it to Maine so they could say they had been to all the AT states. They did.

"Probably not the best idea. The doctor said it wasn't," Bondy said. Their daily mile-

age dropped dramatically, and with money running low and Bondy's foot swollen and painful, they called it quits, and Bondy's father, Tim Bondy, picked them up in Augusta. They have 100 or so miles to go — and are determined to finish that on a return trip.

The hike inspired Thiele and Bondy to seek further adventure — Bondy said he wants to tackle the 2,663-mile Pacific Crest Trail — and not settle, at least not now, for a life focused on comfort and material possessions.

"Nothing really compares to hiking with 40 pounds on your back from sunup to sundown," Bondy said. "It's kind of given me a new work ethic."

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Catherine Buchanan of Independent Carpet One Flooring and Home in Westland shows off the teal bracelets and pins the store is selling to support Turn the Towns Teal, a campaign to raise awareness about ovarian cancer.

Tying one on

Teal ribbons raise awareness about ovarian cancer

By Sue Mason
Observer Staff Writer

Sections of three roads in Wayne and Westland are a bit more colorful this month, thanks to the efforts of the workers at a Westland carpet store.

Led by Catherine Buchanan, employees at Independent Carpet One Floor and Home have put teal ribbons on poles along three different roads to help raise public awareness of ovarian cancer and its symptoms through the Turn the Towns Teal campaign, started in 2007 by Gail MacNeil of Chatham, N.J. "We want people to know we're not just here

selling flooring," said Buchanan. "We want people to know we have business that cares about the community and cares about women. Ovarian cancer is a silent killer."

Buchanan was in Ann Arbor last September and saw the teal ribbons. She looked into what they were for and decided to bring the message to Wayne and Westland. With the permission of Westland Mayor William Wild and Wayne Mayor Al Hadius, she and her fellow employees put up teal ribbons along four miles of roadway in Westland — Wayne Road from Cherry Hill to Warren Road and Ford Road from



Independent Carpet One is decked out in teal ribbons in a show of support for Turn the Towns Teal campaign.

TURN THE TOWNS TEAL

Turn The Towns Teal® was founded by Gail MacNeil who realized firsthand that not enough was being done to publicize the symptoms of the disease. She wanted to spare others what she and her family endured.

MacNeil was fastidious about her health and went to her gynecologist on three separate occasions complaining of classic symptoms; however, her doctor dismissed these symptoms as merely the onset of middle age. On Dec. 23, 1997, she was diagnosed with Stage IIIC ovarian cancer.

MacNeil laid the foundation of Turn The Towns Teal® and set forth certain guidelines for the campaign including the requirement that ribbons be put up in the beginning of September and taken down at the end of the month. She also required that volunteers receive written approval from their towns about placement of the ribbons.

Today, the campaign is being carried forward by the MacNeil Family and a group of dedicated volunteers. It is their collective goal to make Turn the Towns Teal a national campaign in the foreseeable future.

For more information about Turn the Towns Teal, visit its website at www.turnthetownsteal.org.

the civic center to Wildwood — and along Michigan Avenue and Wayne Road in Wayne.

Buchanan estimates they used 12 bolts of the biodegradable ribbon they obtained from Turn the Towns Teal. The ribbon are displayed during September which has been designated as National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month.

The campaign aims to make people aware of ovarian cancer and its often silent symptoms. Ovarian cancer is the leading cause of death from gynecologic cancers in the U.S. There is no early detection test and the symptoms are subtle and often misdiagnosed which is why knowing the symptoms is so very, very critical, according to Buchanan.

MacNeil battled ovarian cancer for 10 years and realized that not enough was being done for ovarian cancer awareness. The Turn the Towns Teal Campaign not only consists of volunteers tying ribbons in and around town centers across the country but also distributing symptom cards.

"The ribbons are the visual," said Jane MacNeil, president of Turn The Towns Teal. "The symptom cards are key in educating people about the disease and its symptoms as when ovarian cancer is detected in the early stages, the survival rate is 90 to 95 percent successful."

According to Jane MacNeil, Gail MacNeil's gynecologist dismissed her classic symptoms on three separate occasions. Had she known the symptoms of ovarian cancer, she would have immediately sought the advice of a gynecological oncologist.

"What happened to Gail, unfortunately, is not uncommon," Jane MacNeil said. "Most women are not diagnosed until it's too late. Knowing the symptoms and being personally proactive are critical in fighting this disease."

The idea of supporting Turn the Towns Teal appealed to Buchanan. Teal is the business's signature color and Independent Carpet One has been actively involved with

the fight against breast cancer for five years. Employees have been involved in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure and American Cancer Society's Relay for Life.

The business has fliers and posters in the store and is including symptom cards in folders giving to customers when they close on sales. Buchanan also is selling teal bracelets and pins in the store. Proceeds will be donated to Turn the Towns Teal.

"I thought it could be something we could do," Buchanan said. "We have to start somewhere with this, so we started in Wayne and Westland."

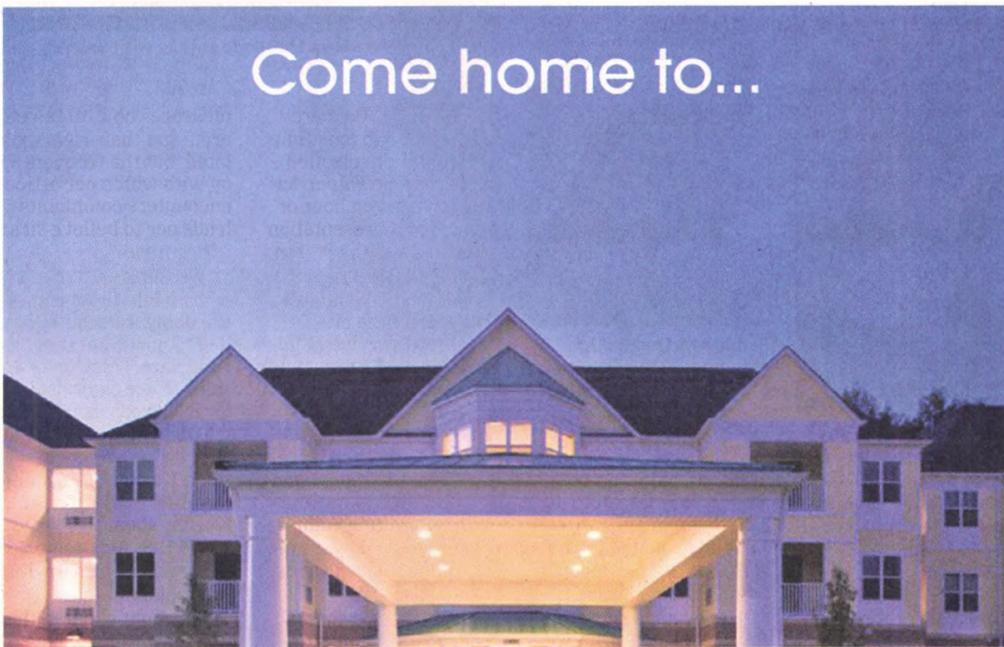
Buchanan said 135 cities in 36 states are participating in Turn the Towns Teal. She would like to grow that number next year by adding more western Wayne County communities.

"Hopefully, we can get Garden City and Canton involved," she said. "Maybe other businesses will get involved. The more people who get involved the better."

"Turn The Towns Teal is giving ovarian cancer survivors a voice that they've never had," said Jane MacNeil. "Many of our volunteers have lost a loved one to the disease, and they now can do something proactive in memory of their loved one. Women's lives are being saved through the work of this volunteer effort."

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Vets take advantage of benefits summit

By Brad Kadrich
Observer Staff Writer

Mike O'Hara is frustrated. The U.S. Marine Corps veteran — he served from 1975-79 — knows Michigan ranks dead last among states whose veterans seek assistance, though he can't for the life of him figure out why — "That's the million-dollar question; it's very frustrating," he said. "One of the things we're lacking in Michigan is getting word to veterans about what is available," O'Hara said. "We need creative ideas to try and get them to ask."

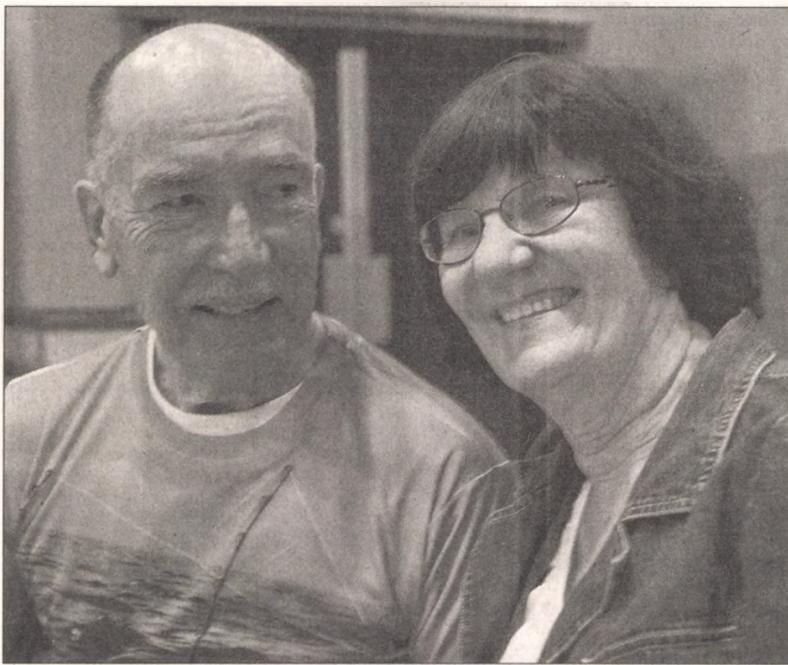
O'Hara, the executive director of the Michigan Paralyzed Veterans of America, thinks one of those "creative ideas" is the Canton Community Foundation's annual Veterans Summit, the third of which was held Wednesday and Thursday at Laurel Manor in Livonia.

The summit is designed to not only provide information to veterans about what assistance may be available, but also put them face-to-face with people who can help attain those benefits.

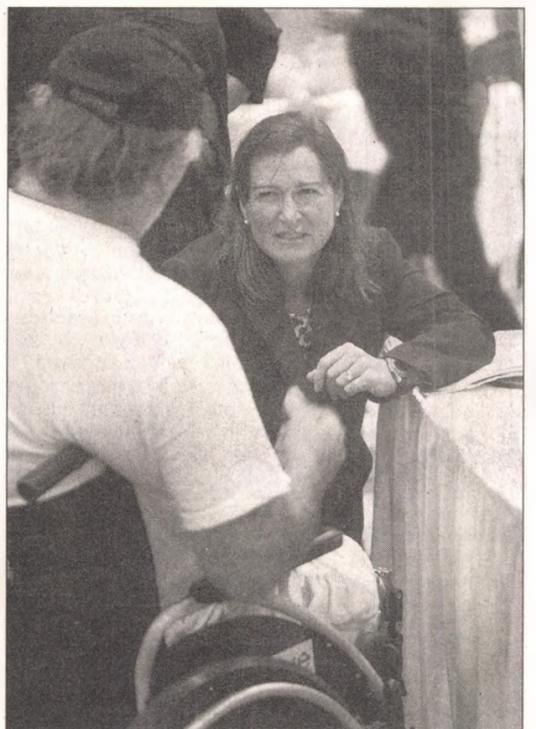
This year's summit saw more than 315 veterans register to take advantage of the expertise provided.

"It has been unbelievably great," said Joan Noricks, the president of the Canton Community Foundation. "The Veterans Administration, the VFW ... it's a tremendous collaborative effort from all of the partners."

Al and Traudy Collins of Canton were among the hundreds of veterans to take advantage of the summit. Al Collins, diagnosed in 2003 with Parkinson's dis-



Canton residents Al and Traudy Collins came to learn about veteran's benefits. Al had brain surgery to relieve symptoms of Parkinson's Disease related to exposure to the chemical defoliant Agent Orange.



U.S. Attorney Barbara McQuade speaks with veteran Lawrence Leach.



Joan Noricks (left), president of the Canton Community Foundation and Jim Fausone, an attorney specializing in veteran's issues, talk with U.S. Attorney Barbara McQuade, who highlighted the second day of the veterans summit.



Barbara McQuade, U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan, speaks to veterans.

ease, served in the U.S. Air Force in Vietnam in 1965, when parts of the country were dusted with Agent Orange. Traudy Collins said her husband, now 71, was exposed at the time, and said doctors told them his Parkinson's

could be attributed to that exposure.

"We were told that by doctors a long time ago," Traudy Collins said. "We wanted to know what benefits he, as a veteran, has. We found out he can get a pension and he'll

get some help when he gets to the nursing home stage. We were happy to find that out."

Traudy said the Parkinson's has left her husband with functional issues.

"His balance isn't so good," she said. "But we still try to go to church on Sundays."

The conference also featured a second-day appearance from

U.S. Attorney Barbara McQuade, who took time out from jury selection in the Kwame Kilpatrick trial to spend an hour or so making a presentation and talking with veterans about their civil rights.

She talked about laws that protect the civil rights of service members while on active duty and on their return to civilian life. Specifically, she discussed employment rights of active military and veterans, financial protections while deployed, voting rights while stationed overseas, and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

McQuade said she reached out to the summit because veterans should know what their rights are and when they're being violated. She said it's "difficult to

measure" how often veterans get their rights violated, but the frequency with which her office encounters complaints leads her to believe "it's widespread."

"We think employers who violate these rights are doing it because they don't know what the rights are," McQuade said. "If we can raise awareness, hopefully that will help solve the problem."

Joe Kuznar of Farmington Hills thinks it might. Kuznar spent two years in the U.S. Army, and served as an infantryman in Vietnam.

"No doubt about it, this is a great thing to have," Kuznar said of the summit. "It gives you information, phone numbers, people ... I needed information, and I got it."



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For those who played for him, Gordon was more than a coach

By Kurt Kuban
Staff Writer



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What's the old saying — time flies when you're having fun. Well, I'm here to report it does whether you have a smile on your face or not.

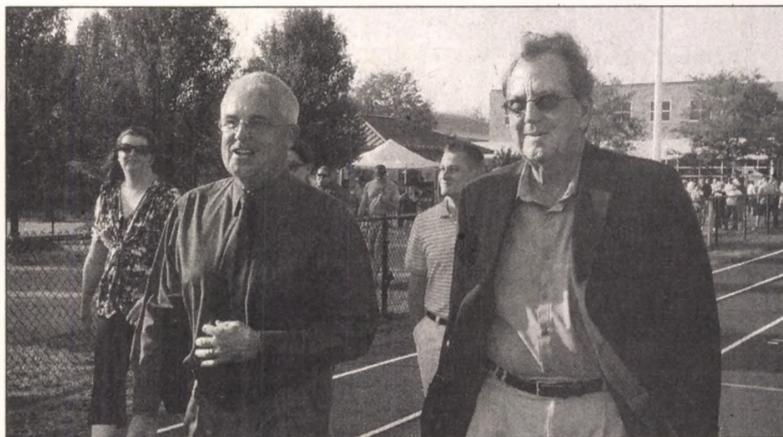
I was reminded of the fleeting nature of time last weekend when I attended a ceremony honoring the career and life of Chuck Gordon, the legendary Westland John Glenn football coach. Somehow a quarter century has evaporated in what sometimes seems

a blink of an eye since I played linebacker for him at Glenn. Wasn't it just yesterday?

Heck, I can almost still hear him yelling, "Get 'em up" — something he did often when it was time to do the dreaded down-ups in practice. For those of you who don't know, a down-up consists of a player jogging in place and, when the whistle blows, hitting the ground and pop-

ping back up, and repeating ad nauseam until the coach quits blowing that dang whistle.

And Gordon blew the whistle countless times during the three decades he roamed the sidelines for John Glenn. Coach Gordon had one of the greatest runs in the history of Michigan high school football, compiling a 211-64 record as head coach, and leading the team to 15 playoff appearances (many before the "six-win and you're in" rule change that greatly expanded the number of playoff teams). For his efforts



Former Westland John Glenn coaches Chuck Gordon and Lloyd Carr walk into the stadium which was named Irma Kionka-Chuck Gordon Field last week.

and success, he was inducted into the Michigan High School Football Coaches Hall of Fame.

So it comes as no surprise that Wayne-Westland Community Schools officials decided to name John Glenn's football field after Gordon, which they did Sept. 7 at a nice ceremony before the team's home game against Livonia Franklin. Dozens of ex-players, including me, showed up to pay homage to him, as did former University of Michigan coach Lloyd Carr, who actually hired Gordon as an assistant coach at Glenn in 1973. Gordon served as an assistant under Carr from 1973-75 and became the head coach for the Rockets in 1977, serving in that capacity with dignity and pride for the next 27 years. I was fortunate enough to play for him during two of those seasons.

Despite all of his success, Gordon never won a state championship, which I'm sure probably gnaws at him a bit. As one of his former players, and someone who knows how good a coach he was and how much time he put into the job, it bothers me a bit. In my junior year, we were about a minute away from going to the state championship game and a trip to the Silverdome, but we got beat by a late pass that ended our season. I still have nightmares about the play.

However, after seeing Gordon again and a lot of the guys I played with, I realized the other night that state championships, and wins for that matter, shouldn't be the measuring stick when it comes to high school football coaching careers. Looking back on it all now, I understand a coach (in any sport really) should be evaluated by the way he influences the young men who play for him. Sure, Gordon coached the X's and O's, but he also taught us the value of loyalty and hard work, how we are judged by the way we conduct ourselves, how there is no "I" in team. Those are lessons I still carry with me today, and try my best to instill in my own children.

Sitting in the stands last week, I looked out at the field now bearing Gordon's name where so many memories were

made. Yes, I thought about all the games we won out there, but I also thought about those down-ups. Yes, they were hard at the time, but they are kind of a metaphor for life. When life drags you down, you have to pop up. Hard work and perseverance are the trademarks of a successful life.

And that is at the root of coach Gordon's true success. His players knew what was important — playing for each other and for the program. Winning was just the cherry on top.

During the ceremony to rename the field to Irma Kionka-Chuck Gordon Field, Gordon spoke and deflected the attention away from himself, which was no surprise to those who know him. He spoke at length about Kionka, who was a long-time physical education teacher for Wayne-Westland Schools, about Carr, about his parents, his wife, his daughters, and, of course, about all of his players over the years.

"It's really a tribute to you guys," he told us. "You worked so hard and did the best you could in everything you do. I had an opportunity to coach some good college players, but I also had many good high school players. The highest compliment you can give a player is to say, 'You were easy to coach.' I loved every second of it — teaching and coaching. I didn't do it alone, I had a lot of help along the way."

That statement pretty much sums up Chuck Gordon. In a day when there seems to be so much focus on individual success, it was refreshing to be reminded that it's not always about the individual. In fact, it rarely is.

As Gordon said on Friday, "it was a great run." Yes, it was, coach. Those of us who played for you were all fortunate to learn from such a great coach, and more importantly a good man. The time I spent playing for you sure did fly by and, yes, it was fun. Well, except for those darn down-ups.

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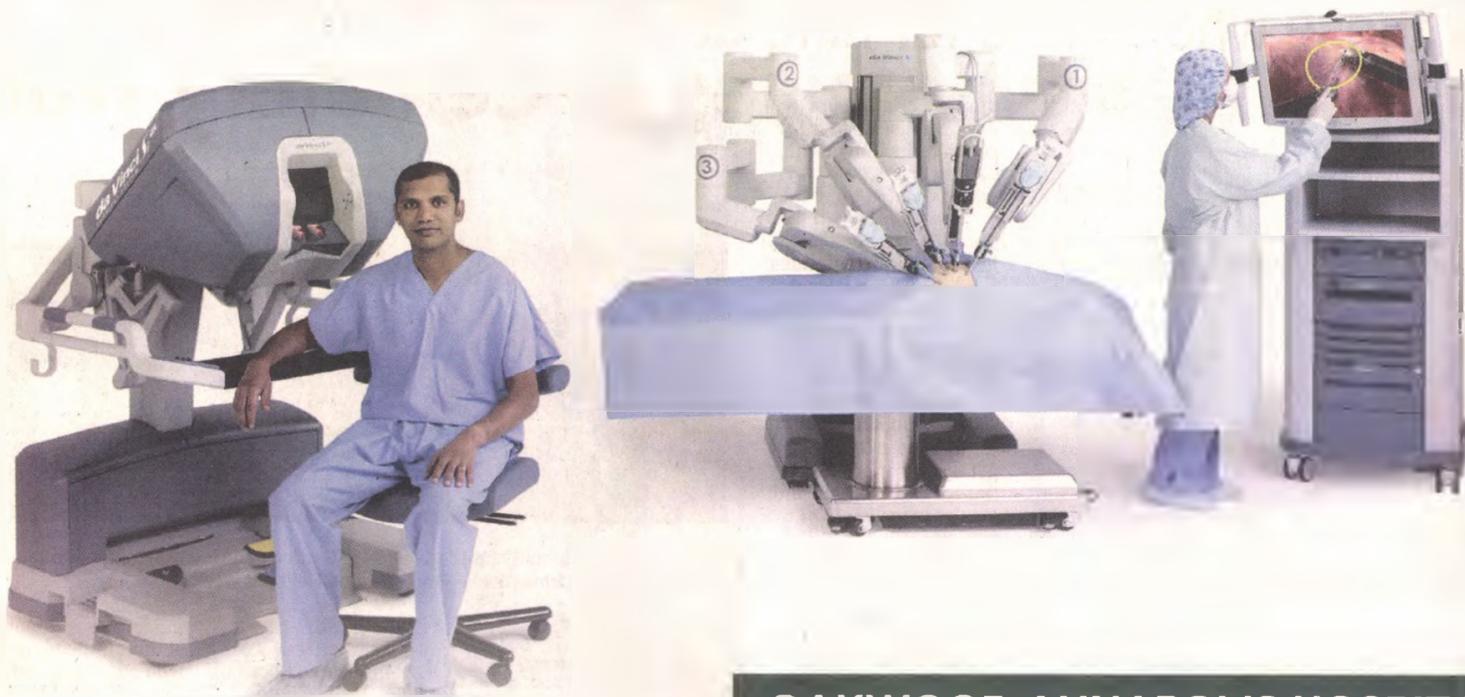
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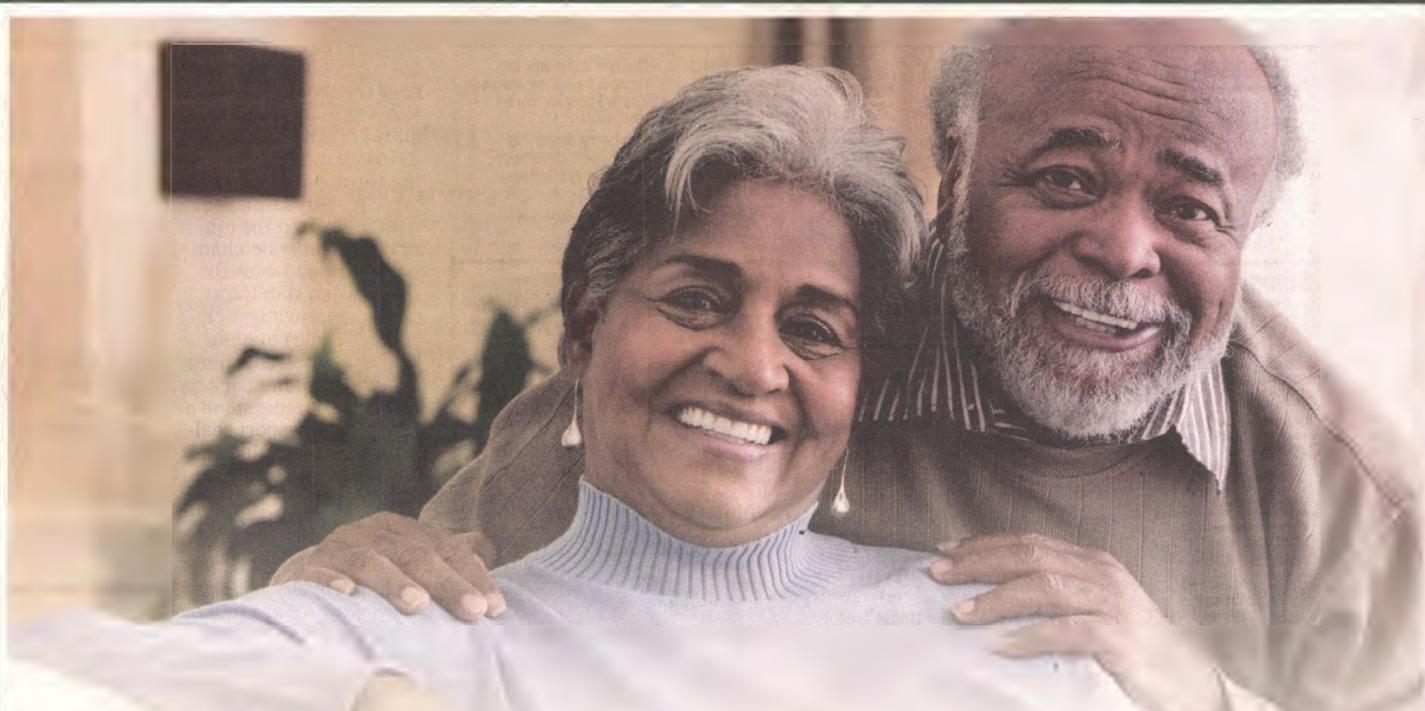
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Costumed characters tell stories of Livonia's early families at Cemetery Walk

By Karen Smith
Observer Staff Writer

David Ryder was a Livonia settler who fought in the War of 1812.

His son, George, had two sons who fought in the Civil War. One son died on the first day of the Battle of Gettysburg; the other died two weeks later from his injuries, but George was able to make it to Pennsylvania to see the injured son before he died. He brought both boys' bodies back home to be buried at Newburgh Cemetery in Livonia.

The Ryders' family story will be among those told by costumed charac-

2012 CEMETERY WALK SEPT. 23

What: Costumed characters will tell the stories of several historical Livonia families

When: 3-6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23. Tours will start every 20-30 minutes.

Where: Newburgh Cemetery on Ann Arbor Trail east of Newburgh Road

Why: Funds raised will be used to upright, restore and clean tombstones in Livonia's four historic cemeteries.

Cost: \$10 in advance, \$15 the day of. Tickets may be purchased in advance by calling Greenmead Historical Park at (248) 477-7375.

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ters portraying historical Livonia figures during a Cemetery Walk 3-6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23, at Newburgh Cemetery.

Cost is \$10 per person if tickets are purchased before the event; \$15 the day of.

Proceeds will be used to restore, upright and clean old headstones at the city's four historic cemeteries.

"It's a sad story," Kathie Glynn, vice chair of the Livonia Historic Preservation Commission, said of the Ryder family's tale. "But it's a very human story. We're trying to tell their life stories so they won't be forgotten and they (attendees) can identify with the history because it's all there."

The Cemetery Walk is being put on by the Livonia Historic Preservation Commission, Livonia Historical Commission, Livonia Historical Society and the 17th Michigan Volunteer Infantry (Civil War re-enactors).

Sue Daniel, chair of the Historical Commission, said organizers held their first Cemetery Walk last year at Livonia Center Cemetery. It was so successful, they decided to



Livonia Historical Commissioner Linda Trewin, dressed in period clothing during a rehearsal at Newburgh Cemetery, said the focus of the Cemetery Walk will be on "how people lived back at that time."

do it again. "We were amazed at how many people came," she said, adding they raised \$1,400.

This year, they hope the interest generated by the headstone preservation work they've done so far at Newburgh will bring more people to the Cemetery Walk. Residents around Newburgh Cemetery have noticed the activity, she said.

"The more money we take in, the more tombstones we can repair," Daniel said. There are 1,400 grave sites in Newburgh Cemetery alone.

"They continue to deteriorate and there is some vandalism," Glynn said. Newburgh Cemetery was chosen for this year's walk because it has four War of 1812 veterans buried there, and this year is

the 200th anniversary of the war, she said. (Newburgh also has four Revolutionary War soldiers.)

But the focus will be on "how people lived back at that time," not just the soldiers, said Linda Trewin, a Livonia Historical Commissioner.

Other historical figures who will be portrayed include:

- Mary Robinson, who died at age 14. "We don't know a lot about Mary," Glynn said. "But this is what happened back then. You just never knew, a simple illness like measles or pneumonia (could take a child's life)."

- Sol Kingsley, a Revolutionary War soldier, and his son, Joseph, who fought in the War of 1812. Sol Kingsley was the first person to be buried in Newburgh Ceme-

tery, which was part of his son's property at the time.

- Ira Wilson, founder of Wilson Dairy and an early pioneer in the pasteurization of milk. He had a daughter who died at a young age, which was attributed to drinking unpasteurized milk. He was among the first to use glass-lined tanks for milk storage.

- Marcus Swift, a Methodist circuit rider preacher and early abolitionist who, with about 30-40 members of his congregation, withdrew from their church's synod because they were not doing enough in the church to work against slavery. "He was firm in his beliefs," Glynn said.

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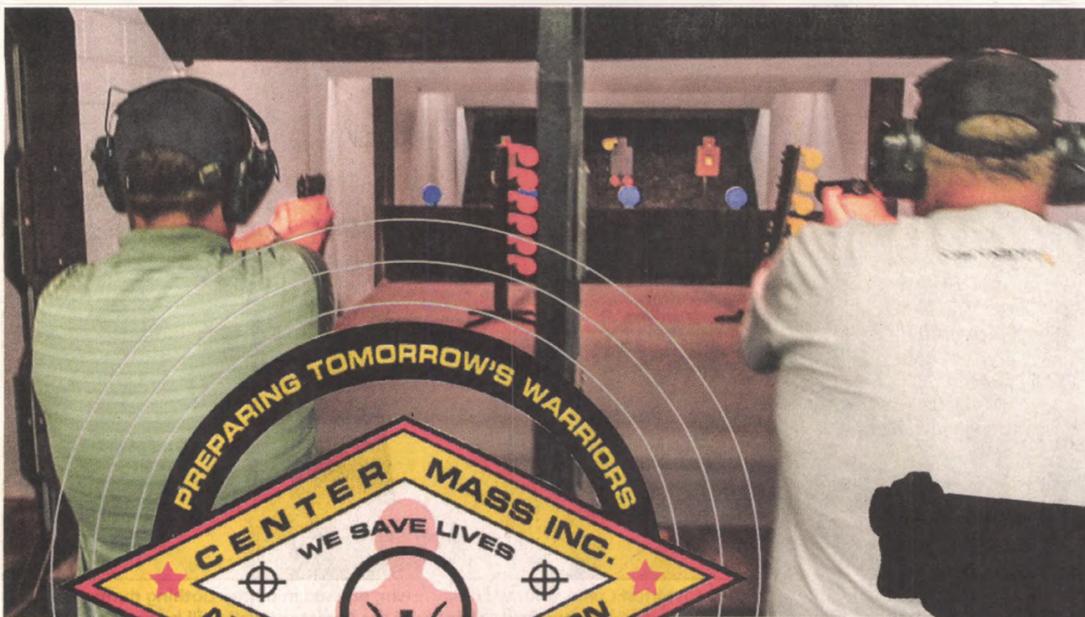
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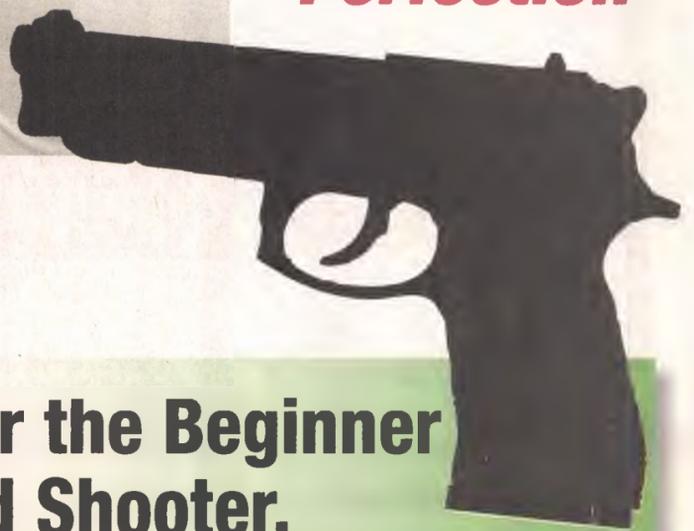
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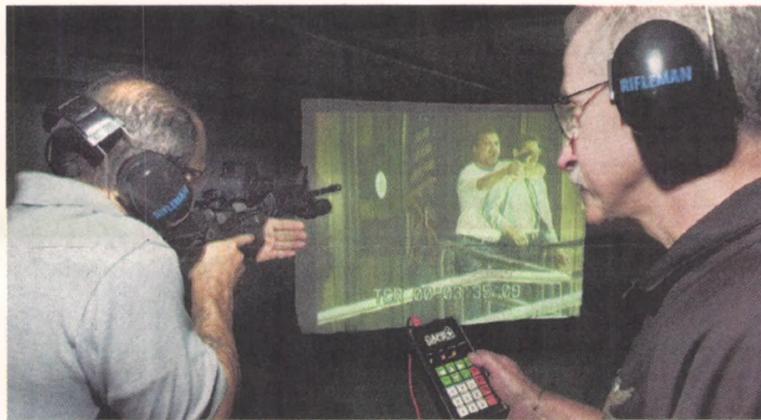
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Salem junior running back Drake Jordan keeps his distance from Northville defender Brandon Patrone (No. 86) during Friday's game.

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Rocks on playoff path

By Tim Smith
Observer Staff Writer

Kurt Britnell doesn't want anything to jinx his Salem football team.

But the Rocks showed they finally are a playoff-caliber team — as demonstrated throughout Friday night's 28-21 victory over KLA Central Division rival Northville at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

Salem improved to 4-0 (2-0 in the division) with the win, and the team needs two more victories to earn an automatic playoff berth in Britnell's fourth season as head coach.

"I think we're a football program now," Britnell said. "The kids have bought in top to bottom, freshmen to seniors."

A good indication that the tables have turned for Salem's football program came early in the second quarter Friday, with the Mustangs up 3-0 and driving.

Turn of events

Northville quarterback Joseph Hewlett nearly scored from the 6-yard line on a second-down play and tried to finish the job on third down from the 1.

But he fumbled and Salem senior Youssef Barakat recov-

ered the ball inches outside the goal line. In on the play for the Rocks was senior Ivan Rhodes.

Salem senior quarterback Jacob Deprez (6-of-9 passing, 166 yards, one touchdown) then took over to orchestrate a 99-yard TD drive that took up more than seven minutes.

"That was a big play obviously down there to hold them," Britnell said about the fumble recovery. "But then to go 99 yards and eat at the clock and pound them, and pound them."

"The kids have bought in to what we started when I took over four years ago."

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Big plays spark 'Cats

By Brad Emons
Observer Staff Writer

Nate Emminger always seems to come with clutch plays for the Plymouth High football team.

The senior defensive back and wide receiver was up to his old tricks again Friday night as the Wildcats scored 23 unanswered points during the second half to pull away from host Livonia Franklin, 37-10.

The win pushes Plymouth's record to 3-1 overall and 2-1 in the KLA's South Division, while Franklin falls to 1-3 and 1-2.

Ironically, Emminger's two biggest plays came in the opening half while the Wildcats were scuffling.

Plymouth got on the board on the fourth play from scrimmage when Emminger turned the right corner

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He's in hole-in-one club

On Aug. 23 at Brae Burn Golf Club, Canton's Mark Hosch sank the second hole-in-one of his career.

The 35-year-old account executive for Ricoh-USA Inc. aced the 125-yard No. 3 hole using a Cleveland 52-degree wedge. He followed that up with a birdie on No. 4 and finished with a 1-under-par 34 for nine holes.

Kroll wins MSU invite

Michigan State's Sara Kroll (Livonia Churchill), running unattached, captured Friday's Spartan Invitational women's cross country 6-kilometer race with a time of 21 minutes, 10 seconds.

Kroll averaged 5:41 per mile to edge Northwestern's Audrey Huth by six seconds.

MSU senior Rachel McFarlane (Churchill) placed 10th overall with a clocking of 21:38.

Madonna University's top finisher was Bianca Kubicki (Canton) in 138th (24:03) followed by Jaclyn Sawasky, 184th (24:52); Brittany Slicker, 240th (26:55); Kimberly Ader, 256th (27:32); and Kayla Daugherty, 262nd (27:56).

Schoolcraft College's top finishers included Layne Marinski in 231st (26:26) and Adrianna Beltran (Salem) in 278th (29:00).



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Plymouth's Nate Emminger (No. 3) sprints toward another touchdown Friday night against Livonia Franklin.

His favorite place to be

By Tim Smith
Observer Staff Writer

Last year, Ian Wingate was the backup goalkeeper on Canton's Division 1 boys soccer state championship team.

Now, he'd like nothing better than to play more of a significant role as the 2012 Chiefs gear up for what they hope is another long postseason run.

Being part of that experience — gleaning advice from last year's starter, Steven Murphy, and better understanding the nuances of the position — is preparing Wingate for that possibility.

"I learned a lot last year, about how you need to keep your head in the game always," Wingate, a 5-10 senior, said following Thursday's 8-0 shutout of Wayne Memorial. "You can't have any time where you lose your focus because that could be the difference in the game."

Focus is key

Being sharp physically and mentally is something he picked up from Murphy and Canton head coach George Tomasso, the latter a former high school and college goalkeeping standout.

"From Steven I learned a lot of things about how I need to make sure I keep my stamina up," Wingate said. "I need



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to be in shape and everything because I can be the difference in those 80-minute games, whether I make the save or not.

"I need to make sure my head's in the game."

Before games, he'll "just listen to music to make sure I'm focused. And I have a decent warmup."

Tomasso's presence and goalkeeping resume can't be underestimated, either.

"He just teaches a lot of fundamentals and makes sure all the form and technique is correct, then the skill will come," Wingate said. "If I'm ever uncertain or anything, I'll come and ask him and see what his opinion is and he'll tell me what I need to do differently."

Glad to move

One thing Wingate wouldn't

have changed is moving from a midfield position to the last line of defense.

As a kid, he played midfield first for Canton recreational teams and then All Saints Catholic School (in seventh grade). He switched to goalkeeping in eighth grade.

After that, it was on to the Canton Celtic club team and, ultimately, the Chiefs.

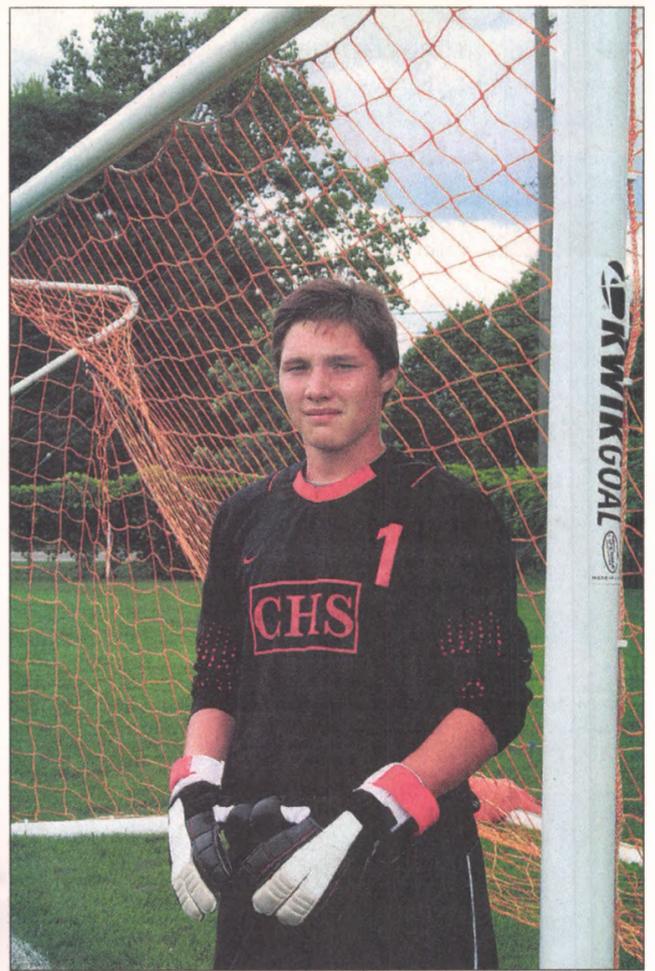
"When I was young, I always wanted to do it, but my coach never let me," instead taking advantage of his footspeed out on the pitch. "And then in eighth grade I just got the opportunity to do it (play goal) and I was kind of good, and my coach let me play there."

Now that he is entrenched in front of the cage, Wingate enjoys gauging whether to aggressively go after a ball or let those in front of him get there first.

"I like to communicate with my defense, just stay back and hold on to my line," he said. "I don't like coming out as much, because me being a short keeper I know that my defenders are tall and they can get those balls that are outside the sticks. But anything inside the (6-yard line) should be my ball."

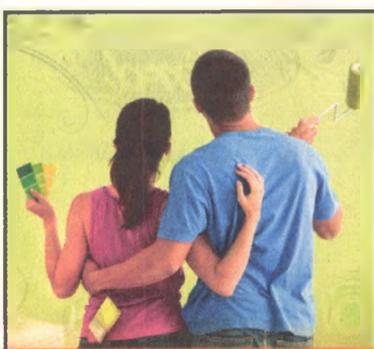
Staying back doesn't mean he

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Canton senior goalkeeper Ian Wingate says being part of the 2011 state championship team helped him understand the nuances of the position.



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Getting the long march started, hard-nosed running by Kyle Cameron (11 carries, 45 yards) and Mike McNamara moved the Rocks out of the shadow of their own end zone.

And then Deprez connected with junior wide-out Michael Hoover for a 47-yard pass, into Northville territory.

Eight plays later, Deprez fired a laser that Hoover caught along the right side of the end zone for a 23-yard score to make it 7-3 (following the PAT by Alex Kenrick).

Northville head coach Matt Ladach, whose team dropped to 2-2 overall and 1-1 in the KLAA Central, said he didn't think the fumble and subsequent Salem TD drive "broke our backs. Our kids are strong, they fought. We didn't give up."

In fact, the Mustangs came right back to cut the lead to 7-6 at halftime after a line-drive, 42-yard field goal by Zach Wilds with 17 seconds left.

Salem went up 14-6 with 5:37 left in the third on a 12-yard scoring run by junior running back Drake Jordan (18 rushes, 115 yards). The catalyst for that drive was a 30-yard run around left end by Jordan, moving the ball down to the Northville 28.

That didn't keep the Mustangs down for long. It only took nine plays to answer, on a TD run by Robby Parks (15 carries, 46 yards) from the 3-yard line.

Earlier in the drive, Hewlett (13-of-25 passing, 254 yards) found Parks open for a 42-yard reception. A shuttle pass to Brad VanHulle accounted for 12 more yards.

Northville then tacked on a two-point conversion (a pass from Hewlett to



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Salem junior receiver Michael Hoover (No. 81) wards off Northville's Nate Priebe (No. 18) to score a 23-yard touchdown in the second quarter Friday. The TD capped a 99-yard drive for the Rocks.

Sean Conway) to even the score at 14-14 with 3:02 left.

Back in front

On the ensuing series, the Rocks stormed right back to go up 21-14 after three. With eight seconds on the clock, Deprez dropped back and sent a perfect spiral over the middle to Hoover. The 6-3, 195-pound receiver caught the ball at Northville's 35 and sprinted in from there.

"Everytime I stepped on the field, I felt a big urge to play amazing and change my team's outcome," Hoover said. "I knew we had to make those plays to get a first down and keep rolling, to get another touchdown."

Salem made it a 28-14 game with 7:15 to play in

the fourth on an 11-yard run by senior tailback Sean Davis (eight rushes, 38 yards).

A 24-yard pass to Rhodes was key to the drive. Deprez faded back, moved away from the rush and waited for a receiver to get open.

"Jake has made plays like that for two years and he's got a calm presence in the pocket," Britnell said. "He's a gamer. ... Up front, the guys are working hard and giving him time."

Making a bid

Salem's back-to-back TDs did not keep Northville from making a late push.

On first down from the Mustangs' 20, Hewlett fired a pass over the middle that Colin Bailey turned into an 80-yard TD with 2:51 remaining.

The Northville defense stopped Salem's next series and the Mustangs had another chance with a first down near midfield. Hewlett did complete three passes, but a last-second throw into the end zone did not connect.

"Playing in a close game like this was good for us," Ladach said. "I challenged our kids at halftime. The majority of our games over the past couple years have been lopsided one way or the other."

"I'm not at all disappointed in our players' effort, I'm not at all disappointed in their intensity."

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Canton, which jumped out to a 44-6 halftime lead, racked up a total of 404 yards including 356 yards on the ground.

Charles Turfe scored three TDs

for the Chiefs (3-1, 3-0) including runs of 7, 31 and 8 yards. He finished with 140 yards on 12 carries.

Malcolm Hollingsworth, who added 128 yards on 19 attempts, added TD runs of 16 and 5 yards.

Quarterback Greg Williams also hit tight end Scott Gring with an 11-yard TD pass and Connor

Shennan added a 37-yard field goal to end the half.

Devon Spalding had the lone Rockets' TD, scoring on an 80-yard run in the second period to cut the deficit to 28-6.

Glenn had a total of 174 yards with 170 coming on the ground led by Spalding (3-for-86) and Thomas Carter (4-for-49).

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Canton-Churchill rivalry keeps sizzling

By Brad Emons
Observer Staff Writer

The Livonia Churchill-Canton girls volleyball rivalry has become one of the best in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association and Thursday night's South Division matchup was no exception.

State-ranked Churchill, playing before a spirited home crowd, got 30 kills from senior outside hitter Emily Norscia to beat the defending division champs in four sets, 25-17, 25-16, 21-25, 25-16.

Churchill improves to 22-3 overall and 3-0 in the KLAA South, while Canton slips to 11-7-1 and 1-2.

The 6-foot Norscia got plenty of support on the defensive side from teammates Audrey Durocher (29 digs) and Julia Szuba (18 digs).

Churchill senior setter Katie Chartrand was the main feeder with 47 assist-to-kills, while 6-1 senior middle hitter Marissa Pomaville (headed to Northwood University) added 13 kills and 5-10 junior outside hitter Mackenzie Hamill contributed eight kills.

But the Chiefs simply had no answers for Norscia.

"We knew coming in that we at least would try and slow her down," Canton first-year coach Steve Johnson said. "We weren't attempting to

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stop her. That wasn't our goal. That would be an unachievable goal to try and stop her. We were hoping to slow her down and obviously the first two sets we were no where close. As it wore on we were starting to get her number a little bit better, but she's still a force to contend with."

Rally time

Canton rallied in the third set behind the ferocious hitting of senior outside hitter Erica den Boer, who registered five of her team-high 14 kills along with two blocks.

Junior Sasha Cruz also added five of her nine kills as the Chiefs went on an 8-4 run to close out the set.

"Our blockers really started to come along," Johnson said of the third set. "And when they (Churchill) go to a hitter (Norscia) that many times, she probably gets a little tired, too. Us blocking better and her getting a little tired helped us get more blocks."

Senior libero Becca Middleton paced the Canton defense with 19 digs, while den Boer and Dia Jackson contributed 17 and 15, respectively.

"She (den Boer) is our answer," Johnson said. "She is to us what Norscia is to them. She's an all-around player. She

leads in digs normally and leads in kills. She's a force to be reckoned with."

Setters Madison Kielty and Chelsea Janice combined for 25 assists, but the Chiefs had no answers in the fourth set as Churchill pulled away with a 12-3 run after it was tied at 13-all.

"den Boer is a heckuva athlete, a heckuva player," Churchill coach Mark Grenier said. "We give her a lot of respect and they've got a couple of other really nice players. That's the reason why it was really a competitive match."

But it was the offensive onslaught by Norscia hitting primarily from the left side that kept the Chargers in command.

"Thirty kills is a lot," Grenier said. "She (Norscia) is a beast. That's what we've come to expect from her. She's our horse."

It was Churchill's second victory this season over Canton. The two teams will meet again on Tuesday, Oct. 2 at Canton.

"We faced them earlier in the preseason, so we knew what to expect from them," Johnson said. "What we come away with is knowing when we're on our game, we can run right with them."

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Salem's Gerlach up for double-duty challenge

By Tim Smith
Observer Staff Writer

One would be hard-pressed to find any high school coach more enthusiastic than Salem's Dave Gerlach.

And now that Gerlach is taking the reins of the high school's girls track and field program — in addition to the girls cross country squad — he wants that enthusiasm to be contagious.

That goes for girls already expected to sign up for the team as well as any potential newbies.

"I'm pretty excited about the opportunity," said Gerlach, succeeding Dale Maskill. "I'm looking forward to the challenge. I feel that we have a very good team, there's a lot of potential and a lot of kids that are walking through these halls that could make an impact if they make a commitment to the Salem girls track and field team."

If they do, the Rocks could be quite formidable. The team already has a spark plug in junior all-stater Kayla Kavulich.

Gerlach said he received a telephone call from Plymouth-Canton Educational Park co-athletic director Sue Heinzman about the position and quickly accepted.

"The timing was right,"



'I feel that we have a very good team, there's a lot of potential...'

DAVE GERLACH,
Salem coach

he noted.

Been there before

The 42-year-old Canton resident's credentials are spot-on, too. Both as a coach and physical education teacher at PCEP, Gerlach is a strong communicator and motivator.

That will help the team aspire to contender status in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association. So will the fact Gerlach is no stranger to the job itself.

Gerlach formerly was a double-duty running coach at Salem and is entering down that road once again.

During the late 1990s and early 2000s he was an assistant coach guiding

distance runners under the watch of head track coach Mark Gregor.

In those years, the Rocks won four consecutive conference titles in the old Western Lakes Activities Association. Gerlach attributes that success to what he calls "the dream team" of coaching staffs and many hard-working athletes.

That stint ended after the birth of his (and wife Kimberly's) daughter, Emilee, who now is 9 years old. He did continue coaching the girls cross country team (he is now in his 18th season), which currently is a contender to qualify for the state finals.

He wants the program to again be a powerhouse and is serious about meeting that challenge.

"My job as a coach is an extension of the school day where it is my duty to get these athletes to maximize their potential," Gerlach said. "(I'm) in the process of putting together a staff that has the same goals and enthusiasm to get this team back to its conference contending days."

"We have 17 events and in order to be successful we need to score in all of them."

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Salem spikers back in winning form

After a tough, five-game loss to Novi on Tuesday, Salem's varsity girls volleyball team bounced back to defeat Livonia Stevenson Thursday night.

Salem (2-5-1, 1-2 in the KLAA Central Division) won by scores of 25-18, 25-18, 25-21.

"We did not play excellent but a win is a win," Salem coach Amanda Nies said. "We needed this win to build our confidence from Tuesday's loss. I was able to get players in and they did well."

In particular, she said Erika Hatcher was outstanding, with 11 kills, three aces and six digs. So was Nancy Krutty, with 21 assists and 13 digs.

Others making key contributions were Abigail Dworzanin (seven kills, 11 digs), Juliana

DiMichele (18 digs) and Lexi Epley (seven digs).

Tuesday, Novi won the third and fourth games to force a deciding fifth game and the Wildcats prevailed 15-8 for a 3-2 match victory.

Salem took the first two games, by scores of 25-20, 25-22. But the Rocks stopped executing, to Nies' chagrin.

"We started to slowly slow down and the errors started in game three, four and then by Game 5 we did not look anywhere near what we did in Game 1," she said.

Krutty tallied 36 assists, Dworzanin 27 digs and Hatcher 11 kills. Chipping with eight blocks was freshman Tess Ganich while Kelly Whalen added five kills and five total blocks.

Wildcats top Pats

In a KLAA South Division match Thursday, Plymouth came away with a 25-17, 23-25, 26-24, 25-21 triumph at Livonia Franklin.

"We had a difficult time finding any holes consistently," Plymouth coach Sarah Marody said. "Overall, the girls pulled together and didn't let runs from Franklin get them down."

"They fought through to play as a team. We got major contributions from all 13 girls tonight."

Setters Shayla Smalls and Daniella Barile collected 21 and 17 assists, respectively and Madelyn Betts led the offense with 21 kills and two aces.

Others chipping in were Emilee Beyer (10 kills, 10 digs), Olivia Beyer (six kills, three blocks) and Taylor Rieckhoff (five blocks).

Madonna sweeps Martin Classic

Lutheran High Westland's Emilee Freeman registered 15 kills to lead four players in double figures as host Madonna University completed a four-match sweep of the recent Julie Martin Memorial Classic rallying for a 20-25, 23-25, 25-21, 25-15, 15-13 volleyball win over St. Francis (Ill.).

The 18th-ranked Crusaders, who improved to 11-4 overall, also got 12 kills from Taylor Dziewit and 10 kills apiece from Nastija Barnovska and Stacey Catalano.

Setter Evia Prieditis contributed 49

assist-to-kills, while Catalano paced the defense with a team-high 24 digs.

Other digs leaders included Breanna Geile (16), Samantha Geile (15) and Prieditis (10).

Jazzmyne Robbins paced St. Francis (10-2) with 15 kills, while setter Ashley Richards finished with 46 assists. Dana Wettergren led the defense with 27 digs.

Earlier in the day, MU downed Rochester College, 25-19, 25-18, 25-17, as Baranovska and Samantha Geile led the way with 11 and nine kills, respectively. Prieditis had 38 assists and 11 digs.

GIRLS GOLF RESULTS

DUAL MATCH RESULTS
CANTON 195
LIVONIA CHURCHILL 218
Sept. 12 at Hilltop G.C.

Canton scorers: Madelyn Mans, 46; Kelsey McDougall, 47; Chloe Luyet and Rachel Pisano, 51 each; Alyce Krumm, 53; Kayla Lagola, 61.

Churchill scorers: Jackie Burdette, 44 (medalist); Maggie McGowan, 53; Katie Shereda, 60; Claire Rose, 61; Taylor Cutting, 64; Maddie Spooner, 65.

Dual match records: Canton, 3-1 overall, 3-1 KLAA South Division; Churchill, 2-2

overall, 2-2 KLAA South.
PLYMOUTH 188
WESTLAND GLENN 252
Sept. 12 at Fox Hills G.C.

Plymouth scorers: Katie Chipman, 43 (medalist); Ariana Strzalka, 46; Aliana Strzalka, 49; Justine Berry, 50.

John Glenn scorers: Olivia Cabildo, 47; Haley Arai, 51; Lindsey Croskey, 73; Jaret Allen, 81.

Dual match records: Plymouth, 9-0 overall, 5-0 KLAA South Division; John Glenn, 0-4 overall, 0-4 KLAA South.

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INVITATION FOR BIDS FOR

Monroe Drain Drainage District
Monroe Drain Improvements
Project No. 119272.11

Issue Date:	September 17, 2012
Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference:	Wednesday, September 26th at 11:00 am local time Wayne County Department of Public Services Field Office 3501 Henry Ruff, Westland, MI 48186
Pre-Bid Question Deadline:	Friday, September 28th, 2012 at 12:00 pm local time
Bid Deadline:	Tuesday, October 2nd, 2012 at 11:00 am local time Wayne County Department of Public Services Field Office 3501 Henry Ruff, Westland, MI 48186

Description: The County of Wayne is requesting bids for the maintenance of the Monroe Drain in accordance with the Bidding Documents prepared by the Engineer, Spicer Group, Inc.

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Progress continues on MU's Athletic Complex

By Patrick Moore
Madonna Athletic Communications

With the new school year now a week old, construction continues at Madonna University's Athletic Complex.

The Madonna Athletic Complex has seen dramatic improvements since the end of baseball and softball season and when completed will be at the top of the facilities in the conference and the region.

The complex located on Newburgh Road just south of Five Mile Road is home to the new Madonna University Soccer Field, historic Ilitch Ballpark and University Softball Field.

The biggest change fans will see is that University Field, the home to the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Crusader softball program, has been turned 180 degrees and the home plate area is now in closer relation to the home plate at Ilitch Ballpark.

The surface at University Field has also been replaced and is now completely artificial. The new AstroTurf surface will allow for play in nearly any conditions and greatly reduces the maintenance needed to keep the field in top shape.

New dugouts, bullpens, a new backstop that features unobstructed views, raised seating that spans dugout to dugout and a press box are also being constructed and will be ready for the 2013 season.

Changes at Ilitch Ballpark will feature elevated dugout to dugout seating as well as a press box and improvements to the sound system.

A two-tunnel batting cage is also being constructed that will benefit both programs and a new team building that serves both soccer programs in addition to the baseball and softball programs is also under construction.

The team building will feature a concession stand, locker rooms for the four programs that currently occupy the MAC, a training room as well as an officials' locker room and real bathrooms for the first time in the history of the complex.

The project is on schedule and is slated to be completed later this fall.

PLYMOUTH

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and sprinted 63 yards for a touchdown with 9:43 left in the first quarter.

Franklin then answered with a 28-yard field goal by Alejandro Castillo with 2:07 to go in the first after it was set up by a 39-yard third-and-long run by Joe McRobb.

With the Patriots driving on their first possession of the second quarter, Emminger came up with a huge play when he scooped up a Franklin fumble and raced 68 yards for the Wildcats' second TD.

Josh Dennard created the turnover when he popped the ball — and the helmet — loose from Franklin ball carrier Jesse McCall. Bobby Deeg's second straight extra point made it 14-3 in favor of the Wildcats with 3:38 left.

In right spot

"I was just playing my reads on defense," said Emminger, who is a three-year varsity starter. "I got a good block from my friend Josh (Dennard). I saw it out of the corner of my eye and I was gone after that."

"It was laying on the ground and I just saw it and just picked it up. My buddies came to me after and said: 'You always seem to be in the right spot at the right time.' It's like a joke, but it's true."

Plymouth coach Mike Sawchuk has grown accustomed to seeing big plays from Emminger.

"I know we hit the back real hard and his helmet popped off," the Plymouth coach said. "Any time he (Emminger) is around the ball that's a good thing."



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Livonia Franklin's Brian Johnson (No. 7) tries to pull down Plymouth quarterback Jamarl Eiland (No. 5).

Franklin, however, got the ball back and marched 80 yards in 10 plays capped by a Jimmy Mazaris 3-yard TD run with only 13 seconds left in the half.

Plymouth aided the drive with three untimely penalties including roughing the passer, defensive holding and a blow to the head — all resulting in Franklin first downs.

Despite leading 14-10, the Wildcats had the ball during the first half for only 4 minutes and 8 seconds. They ran only eight first-half offensive plays, including just one in the second period.

Meanwhile, the Patriots had a total of 37 plays. "We usually average three or four penalties a game and apparently we had a lot of penal-

ties in the first half that kept their drives going," Sawchuk said. "We played sloppy. I'll evaluate the film and see what went on. We talked about the adversity, keeping your cool and your composure, coming back in the second half and playing Wildcat football."

Momentum changer

The pivotal play of the second half came with 8:41 to go in the third quarter when Franklin elected to go for it on fourth-and-three from his own 42.

But the Patriots fumbled the snap and Dennard recovered lifting the Wildcats to 23 straight points, which started with a 1-yard TD run by Mike Kennedy followed by a two-point safety (when the

snap sailed over Castillo's head).

The Wildcats put it away with a pair of fourth-quarter TDs on runs of 5 yards (by Emminger) and 9 yards (by Stefan Turrentine).

The Franklin coach refused to second-guess himself about going for it again on fourth down inside his own 50.

"They hadn't stopped a run all first half," Kelbert added. "It was there. We just didn't execute that play. It was the short yardage (play) we've been running all year long. The quarterback fumbled the snap, just poor execution."

But it was the fumble return by Emminger that helped keep Plymouth ahead for keeps. Franklin was called for offensive holding on the play, but Kelbert thought it was a face mask flag.

"They ripped his helmet (McCall's) off," the Franklin coach said. "When the helmet comes off, the ball is dead. Who knows? We thought they were calling a face mask and the play should have been dead ... whatever. That's the way it goes."

Franklin had 206 yards rushing with the tandem of McRobb and Mazaris gaining 98 and 95, respectively. The Patriots only completed 1-of-7 passes for eight yards with one interception (by Jared Davis).

Plymouth quarterback Jamarl Eiland was 5-of-8 for 66 yards. The Wildcats had a total of 165 on the ground.

"We've got a lot of kids on this team that are starting to grow up and be unselfish players," Sawchuk said. "And if we can play together as a team, who knows?"

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Goals hard to come by for 'Cats

By Tim Smith
Observer Staff Writer

The defense didn't rest Thursday night, and that suited Livonia Churchill's varsity boys soccer team just fine.

Host Plymouth could not solve Chargers' junior goalkeeper Colton Robison — not to mention the back line in front of him — as Churchill earned a 3-0 KLAAS South Division win.

Scoring in the first half was senior Michael Murphy with second-half markers by juniors Andrew Smutek and Patrick Adegbite-Martins completing the victory.

"They really outworked us tonight," Plymouth head coach Jeff Neschich said. "They really fought hard and deserved the victory."

"I thought they came off a tough game and responded by really sticking it to us tonight. Hats off to them."

Not even senior co-captain Chandler Olah's talent and never-say-die attitude could help the Wildcats, who dropped to 2-7-2 overall and 2-2-0 in the KLAAS South.

"He's got a true heart and he can carry our team," said Neschich, about Olah. "But not enough of us stepped up to play coming out in that first half."

As a result, Churchill (2-4-2, 2-2) grabbed a 1-0 lead with about 16 minutes to play before halftime.

Finishing touch

Starting the game's first scoring play was a re-start from sophomore Brendan Dilloway, up from the junior varsity.

The ball was played into the 18-yard goal box by junior Tyler Piotrowski and senior Michael Murphy subsequently booted a low drive inside the right post past Plymouth senior goalkeeper Mario Gruszczynski.

"Re-start goals are killers for the opposing team, and they jump-start the team that does it," Grodzicki said. "Those goals are so important and it really got our guys going."

Despite Grodzicki's halftime talk to players not to give Plymouth players extra chances, the Chargers fouled Olah just 1:40 into the second half to set up a free kick at the top of the semi-circle.

The foul took place to stop Olah from streaking into scoring territory after having received a perfectly fed pass from freshman Michael Blake

Olah laced the ball right into a wall of Churchill defenders.

"We were fortunate that he hit the wall there," Grodzicki said. "But if you give Plymouth enough chances, they're going to get one."

Churchill came close with about 33 minutes to play when sophomore Daniel Jones drilled a hard shot from 15 yards that Gruszczynski threw his hands up to deflect away.

A savvy play by Chargers' senior defender Nathan Bradford helped preserve the slim lead, with about 21 minutes remaining.

Olah's direct kick from about 30 yards out traveled high toward the goal area, but Bradford jumped high enough to head the ball out of trouble.

Pushing the issue

Then with the Wildcats forcing the attack in an attempt to draw even, gaps in defensive coverage cost them twice over the final 19 minutes.

"Late in the game we were pushing people up, and I just think we didn't have enough people back," Neschich said. "We needed to score, so we gambled a little bit."

Churchill's edge grew to 2-0 when junior Smutek blasted an 18-yarder inside the left post.

Capping off the scoring was the first varsity goal of Adegbite-Martins' career, with 5:02 left.

He launched a 35-yard shot that hit the middle of the crossbar, dropped down and over the goal line.

"Patrick, he worked hard, he earned that one," Grodzicki said. "He worked to get the ball from that defender, turned him around and shot the ball in a perfect spot."

"He got rewarded for it. It hit the post, hit the keeper, rolled around for a little bit and went in. I'm happy for him."

Meanwhile, Grodzicki said the key to the win was stifling Plymouth's creative, offensive threats (such as Olah and senior DK Kim) throughout the tilt.

"Our motto this season, our theme, the way we're going to win games, is we need total team defense," Grodzicki said. "That's how we gotta do it. These guys buy into that and this is the result when we play total team defense, from the top all the way to the back."

Neschich credited Churchill's defensive effort. "We put too many balls in the box that we didn't get to, that we let them play out."

CANTON 8, WAYNE 0: On Thursday, the defending Division 1 state champion Chiefs (8-2-2, 4-0) defeated Wayne Memorial (1-7, 0-4) in a KLAAS South Division match that was called at halftime due to the MHSAA mercy rule. Junior Griffin Parks had two goals and one assist, while Carter Schenck, a JV call-up, also scored twice.

Other multiple point scorers for Canton included senior co-captain Scott Piowar, one goal and two assists; senior co-captain Dan Ovesea, one goal and one assist; Bobby Budlong, two assists. Cody Widlak and Aiden Shennan also added single goals.

CANTON 3, PLYMOUTH 1: Canton scored three goals in a 10-minute span in the first half Tuesday to defeat Plymouth in a KLAAS South Division varsity boys soccer match.

The Chiefs went up 1-0 in the 15th minute when senior co-captain Dan Ovesea fought his way through the middle of the field and led senior Bryan Tolinski with a nice pass down the right wing.

Tolinski cut inside and drilled a shot that Plymouth senior goalkeeper Mario Gruszczynski managed to block. However, junior Griffin Parks was standing on the doorstep and calmly knocked in the rebound.

Plymouth answered midway through the half when junior Alex Decker hit a beautiful cross into the box that eluded the Chiefs defense and senior goalkeeper Ian Wingate. Finishing up for the chip shot was DK Kim.

Canton regained the lead with 17 minutes to play in the first half, when senior co-captain Scott Piowar jumped on a loose ball at the top of the 18-yard goal box and quickly chipped a pass to Ovesea, who one-timed a hard shot past Gruszczynski.

Less than two minutes later, the Chiefs were awarded a corner kick and senior co-captain Bobby Budlong curled a pass that found Ovesea's head to make it 3-1 going into halftime.

In the second half, the Wildcats carried the play with Kim and senior co-captain Chandler Olah threatening several times to score. But Canton's defense held, led by seniors Connor Shennan, Nick Tomei and Robbie Morgan, who played an exceptionally strong game.



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Scrambling saves like this are the kind Canton's Ian Wingate enjoys making most.

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is a passive goalkeeper, however.

"I definitely like making diving saves the most," Wingate said, smiling.

"Because in my opinion, they're really cool and fun to do. I just think it's really fun playing goalie."

Wingate, whose parents are Amy and Pat, also doesn't want to give up goalkeeping when his high school career ends.

"Hopefully, I'll play soccer in college," he said, adding that there has been interest from Saginaw Valley State University and Schoolcraft College.

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Eagles seek 1st victory

By Tim Smith
Observer Staff Writer

Closer, but still no cigar. Plymouth Christian Academy's varsity boys soccer team dropped to 0-8-0 this season with Thursday's 2-0 loss to visiting Adrian Lenawee Christian.

The Cougars scored once in each half and goalkeeper Aaron Harabedian made sure those markers held up, to the dismay of Eagles' first-year head coach Daryl Beggs.

"The biggest thing I would like us to see is play offense in all situations," Beggs said. "I think we're too content to play defense."

"I want them to be more aggressive in getting the ball, they were too content to let (the Cougars) get the ball first."

And when PCA (0-8-0) does successfully move the ball through the mid-field into the attacking zone, there's the lack of a scoring knack.

"I think the shots we had were not well placed," Beggs said. "We're not finishing well, we need to work on that. Our corner kicks, when we had opportunities at the goal, we need to finish those inside the 6."

He cited several players for making some noise on offense, however. He listed forward Jacob Bailey, midfielder

Luke Yakuber and center-mid Lucas Albrecht.

Lenawee Christian (6-4-0) got on the board about eight minutes into the game when David Park's sent the ball behind PCA goalkeeper Jayme Putney.

Setting up the goal was Jesse Maguire.

The game remained 1-0 until the 29th minute of the second half when Maguire finished a play started by Ben Lu.

Beggs said the Eagles were hopeful of finally breaking into the win column with Saturday's home game against Allen Park Inter-City Baptist.

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BOYS TENNIS RESULTS

DUAL MATCH RESULTS
PLYMOUTH 6
LIVONIA CHURCHILL 3
Sept. 12 at Churchill

No. 1 singles: Jonathan Martin (LC) def. Jordan Lu, 6-2, 6-4; **No. 2:** Joe Mulka (LC) def. Charlie Hou, 7-6 (7-4), 3-6, 6-4; **No. 3:** Kevin Hou (P) def. Rishabh Arvikar, 7-5, 6-4; **No. 4:** Jon Conn (P) def. Aditya Venulopati, 6-0, 6-3.
No. 1 doubles: Mark Denstead-Riley Prince (LC) def. Cameron Earls-Dylan Grant, 6-4, 4-6, 7-6 (7-4); **No. 2:** Joe Klotz-Danny Sinnott (P) def. Mayuresh Iyer-Steven Van Wormer, 6-4, 6-7 (1-7), 6-3; **No. 3:** Akash Yerakola-Praveen Loganathan (P) def. Mit Patel-Shantam Ravan, 6-0, 6-3; **No. 4:** Jared Hopf-Tyler Smith (P) def. Cooper King-Raymond Peters, 3-6, 6-3, 6-2; **No. 5:** Charlie Anderson-Bryan Caragay (P) def. Joe Healy-Aditya Agrawal, 6-1, 6-3.
Churchill's dual match record: 9-4 overall, 2-1 KLAAS South Division.

WAYNE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of Section 324, subsection .35702 of Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, as amended, twenty-five or more freeholders have Petitioned the County of Wayne, Michigan ("County"), to designate a portion of Ridge Road between Joy and Ann Arbor Roads in Plymouth Township, Wayne County, Michigan, as a Natural Beauty Road, being more particularly described as:

All that portion of Ridge Road in part of the SE 1/4 of Section 31 and the SW 1/4 of Section 32, T1S, R8E, Plymouth Township, Wayne County, Michigan described as follows: Beginning at a point 60 feet North of the intersection of the centerline of Joy Road and the East line of said Section 31; thence Northerly along said East line and centerline of said Ridge Road approximately 1318 feet to a point 65.68 feet South of the intersection of the centerline of Ann Arbor Road and along said East line. Containing approximately 1318 feet of roadway, 0.250 miles.

In accordance with said Act, a Public Hearing will be held, Wednesday, October 10, 2012, starting at 1:00 p.m. and ending at approximately 3:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Room within the Plymouth Township Hall located at 9955 North Haggerty Road, Plymouth Township, Michigan, to consider designating the above referenced road as a Natural Beauty Road.

During the Public Hearing, a Hearing Examiner of the County shall obtain all necessary facts and information concerning the advisability of either granting or denying said Petition, and shall report all findings of fact to the County's Natural Beauty Roads Evaluation Committee for their recommendation.

True copies of this notice are to be served, posted and published in accordance with the provisions of said Act, as amended.

WAYNE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES
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Ocelot men's soccer rolls

Chris Long (Livonia Stevenson), Ardit Dushkaj (Livonia Clarenceville) and Adrian Tash each tallied a pair of goals Sept. 8 to propel the host Schoolcraft College men's soccer team to a convincing 6-3 triumph over Parkland (Ill.) College. Schoolcraft, now 4-1-1 overall, trailed 2-1 at halftime as Parkland got goals from Jesus Morales (unassisted) and Luke O'Neill (off

a corner kick from Alonso Torres). Tash notched his second of the year in the fourth minute from Dushkaj and Romario Georgis. The Ocelots, ranked No. 7 in the latest NJCAA poll, then scored five straight goals within a 20-minute span in the second half — Dushkaj (unassisted), Tash (from Gino Pasquali), Long twice (both unassisted) and Dushkaj (from Georgis). O'Neill notched his second of the game unassisted in the 70th minute for the Cobras (1-4).

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Schoolcraft goalkeeper Tom Duquette made one save and gave up two goals in 70 minutes of action, while Ryan Tikey (Livonia Franklin) finished up.

Lady Ocelots fall

The Schoolcraft College women's soccer team slipped to 4-3 overall with a 3-1 setback Sept. 8 at Northern Michigan University. Hunter Jurecki tallied the only goal for the Lady Ocelots. Tara Gessler started in goal and played the first half for School-

craft before Danielle Schendell (Canton) and Alexis Smith (Livonia Franklin) divided duties in the second half.

"Despite the scoreline, our girls played really well and had numerous opportunities to tie and even win the game," Schoolcraft coach Deepak Shivraman said. "We were very dominant in the second half."

Field hockey:

Blazers tie

Junior Erin Badge had the

lone goal Monday for Livonia Ladywood, which earned a 1-1 draw with host Birmingham Marian in a Catholic League field hockey encounter.

Senior Lauren Kozlowski assisted on Badge's goals, while senior goalie Stephanie Mackley made four saves for the Blazers, who stand 4-1-1 overall and 2-1-1 in the division.

Courtney Hellyer made three saves for the Mustangs (2-1-1, 0-1-1).

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

**ORDINANCE TO ADOPT
CODE OF ORDINANCES**

**SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NUMBER
1016**

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH, REVISING, AMENDING, RESTATING, CODIFYING AND COMPILING CERTAIN EXISTING GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH DEALING WITH SUBJECTS EMBRACED IN SUCH CODE OF ORDINANCES AS PROVIDED IN PUBLIC ACT 359 OF 1947, MCL 42.20; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ANY ORDINANCE OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES OR RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT WITH THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL AND SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of Michigan has empowered and authorized the Charter Township of Plymouth to revise, amend, restate, codify and compile any existing ordinances and all new ordinances not heretofore adopted or published and to incorporate such ordinances into one ordinance in book form; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth has authorized a general compilation, revision and re-codification of the ordinances of the Charter Township of Plymouth of a general and permanent nature and publication of such ordinance in book form; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to provide for the usual daily operation of the municipality and for preservation of the public peace, health, safety and general welfare of the municipality and that this ordinance take effect upon publication.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth:

SECTION 1. The attached general ordinances of the Charter Township of Plymouth as revised, amended, restated, codified, re-codified, and compiled in book form are hereby adopted as and shall constitute the "Code of Ordinances of the Charter Township of Plymouth".

SECTION 2. Such Code of Ordinances as adopted in Section 1 shall consist of the following General Provisions, Charter, titled Chapters and Articles, as summarized:

**CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH**

GENERAL PROVISIONS

This section provides for the distribution of the Code books, amendment of Ordinances, contents of the Code, and general provisions.

CHAPTER I: CHARTER

This section provides for adoption of the provisions of PA 359 of 1947, the Charter Township Act.

CHAPTER II: ADMINISTRATION

- Brownfield Resolution**
This article provides for the creation of the Plymouth Township Redevelopment and Finance Authority.
- Compensation Commission**
This article provides for the creation of the Plymouth Township Compensation Commission as authorized by general township law.
- Constables**
The article provides for the creation of a constable position and the duties thereof.
- Elected Officials Health Insurance Retirement Benefit**
This article provides for the health insurance retirement benefits for eligible elected officials.
- Emergency Management**
This article provides for a Township emergency manager and duties of that office.
- Cost Reimbursement for Emergency Services**
This article provides for cost reimbursement for emergency services and a definition thereof.
- Employee Pension Plan**
This article provides for a pension plan for Township employees.
- Group Insurance Plan**
This article provides for the creation of a group insurance plan for Township employees.
- Ordinance Enforcement Officer**
This article provides for the position of ordinance enforcement officer and the duties thereof.
- Parking Violations Bureau**
This article provides for a State Law authorized parking violations bureau.
- Planning Commission**
This article provides for the creation/continuation of a planning commission as provided for under State Law.
- Plymouth Community Citizens Watch Program**
This article provides for the creation of a Plymouth Community citizens watch program.
- Police Department**
This article provides for the creation of a police department for the Township, the authority and duties of the supervisor, the appointments of personnel, the rules and regulations, the powers and duties and the property, equipment and buildings thereof.
- Township Property - Authorize Sale**
This article provides for the sale of Township property by auction and the process to be followed.

**CHAPTER III:
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

- Downtown Development Authority**
This article provides for the creation of the Township Downtown Development Authority.

- Downtown Development Authority Tax Increment Financing Plan and Development Plan**
This article provides for the duly adopted Downtown Development Authority Tax Increment Financing Plan and Development Plan.

CHAPTER IV: LICENSING

- Christmas Tree Sales**
This article provides for the licensing, application process, inspections, premises clean-up, exemptions, location, hours of operation and lighting pertaining to the operation of Christmas tree sales.
- Dogs**
This article provides for definitions, license requirements, application requirements, term of the license, fees and exemptions, tags, kennel licenses, kennel license applications, fees, maintenance, offenses committed by owners of dogs, yard cleanliness regulations, confinement of dogs, rabies prevention, a dog pound and the impoundment of dogs, release of dogs, the disposition of seized dogs, quarantine and penalty.
- Junk Yards**
This article provides for the regulation of junk yards, licensing and rules and regulation.
- Liquor Regulations**
This article provides for the requirement of liquor licenses and the process to obtain a liquor license, objections to renewal and request for revocation, and inspections of liquor licensed premises.
- Peddlers and Solicitors**
This article contains definitions, prohibited activity, license requirements, pedaling restrictions, hours of operation, inspections, issuance of peddler's licenses, denial of licenses, solicitor's license and hours of operation, and regulations.
- Used Car Lots**
This article provides for a regulation of used car lots and definitions.

**CHAPTER V:
TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SERVICES**

- Multi-Channel Service Provider Regulatory Ordinance**
This article regulates multi-channel service providers.
- Telecommunications**
This article regulates telecommunication service providers.

Appendix A: Gross Revenues
Appendix A-1: Allocation of Revenue from Non-switched Telecommunications Services

CHAPTER VI: RESERVED

- Reserved.

CHAPTER VII: CRIMINAL CODE

- Alarm User**
This article defines terms, regulates false alarms, fines and interference with telecommunications systems and audible or visual signals.
- Criminal Code**
This article is provided for the adoption by reference of a number of State Law provisions regulating or prohibiting criminal conduct and adopting by reference the Curfew for Children Act, PA 41 of 1960, prohibiting larceny, unauthorized practice of law, attempts, accessory liability, obstructing or hindering a police officer and providing for penalties.
- Garage Sales Regulation**
This article provides for the regulation of garage sales.
- Hunting**
This article prohibits hunting in the Township.
- Noise Control**
This article provides in great detail the regulation of noise and prohibition of noise pollution, definitions, specific prohibitions, maximum permissible sound levels, and maximum permissible vibration levels.
- Nuisance Animals**
This article regulates nuisance animals defined as non-domesticated animals including raccoons, possums, skunks, rats, bats, muskrats, and other verminous animals.
- Parks and Playground Areas**
This article regulates the use of Township parks and playgrounds and the destruction or property.
- Youth Tobacco Act**
This article adopts by reference the Youth Tobacco Act, PA 31 of 1915.

CHAPTER VIII: TRAFFIC

- Traffic Code**
This article adopts by reference portions of PA 359 of 1947, PA 306 of 1969, PA 451 of 1994, PA 181 of 1963, PA 119 of 1980 and PA 236 of 1961 all as amended, regulating traffic and the operation of motor vehicles

CHAPTER IX: SOLID WASTE

- Solid Waste Disposal**
This article provides for the regulation of solid waste disposal.

CHAPTER X: WATER AND SEWER

- Cross-Connection**
This article provides for the regulation of connections which may result in a backflow, being water of questionable quality entering a public water supply system due to a reversal of flow, etc., correction of the condition, and regulation and inspections of water systems.
- Emergency Water Use Reduction**
This article provides for prohibition of water use during water use reduction emergencies.
- Water and Sewer System**
This article provides for the regulations as required by PA 178 of 1939, as amended, PA 342 of 1939, as amended, PA 185 of 1957, as amended, 33USC§1251, et seq., and Public Law 92-50, as amended regulating water and sewer systems, definitions, inspections, discharge prohibitions, permitting, reporting requirements, etc.

CHAPTER XI: PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

- Grass Height Maintenance**
This article provides for the regulation of grass height.
- Littering**
This article provides for the regulation of littering, definitions and means of littering.
- Littering on Construction Site**
This article regulates and prohibits littering on construction sites, disposal of debris, littering adjacent streets, and removal of litter.
- Noxious Weeds**
This article regulates noxious weeds as provided in PA 236 of 1961, as amended and PA 359 of 1941, as amended.
- Removal of Ice and Snow from Sidewalks**
This article requires homeowners, occupants, etc. to remove snow and ice from sidewalks abutting structures.
- Sidewalks**
This article regulates the installation, standards pertaining to the installation, necessity, assessments, and design standards of sidewalk installation or repair.
- Tree Regulations**
This article regulates trees, undesirable trees, overhead lines and clearances, and the protection of trees and shrubs.
- Vacant Property Registration and Maintenance**
This article regulates vacant properties, defines terms, requires maintenance and security requirements, registration, securing open property and monitoring property, exemptions, and assessments.

CHAPTER XII: LAND DEVELOPMENT AND USE

- Construction Hours and Permits**
This article regulates working hours and exemptions.
- International Fire Code with Appendices (2009 Edition)**
This article adopts by reference the 2009 Edition of the International Fire Code with Appendices as allowed under PA 359 of 1947, as amended.
- Natural Preserve**
This article provides for the preservation of natural property and the procedure for designation of natural preserve property.
- Private Road Construction and Maintenance**
This article provides for construction standards, testing, maintenance obligations and standards, sight plans, street signs and time of construction for private roads.
- State Construction Code Administration and Enforcement**
This article provides for the Township administering and enforcing the State Construction Code as provided under PA 230 of 1972, as amended.
- Subdivision Regulations**
This article establishes subdivision regulations, definitions, platting procedure, streets and roads, specifications, pedestrian crosswalks, easements, planting strips, monuments, reserve strips, required public improvements, and regulation of subdivision installations as provided under PA 288 of 1967, as amended, the Subdivision Control Act, PA 33 of 208, as amended and PA 451 of 1994, as amended.
- Floodplain Management**
This article complies with the requirements of the State Construction Code Act, PA 230 of 1972, and the pertinent sections of Federally Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), and Flood Insurance Study, (FIS) requirements in order to allow Township residents to obtain flood insurance.

CHAPTER XIII: APPENDICES

This chapter references the Zoning Ordinance and the Comprehensive Fees and Rates Schedules which have been adopted by the Township Board.

SECTION 3. Repeal. This section provides that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION 4. Severability. This section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance.

SECTION 5. Savings Clause. This section provides that adoption of this Ordinance does not affect proceedings, prosecutions for violation of law, penalties and matured rights and duties in effect before the effective date of this Ordinance.

SECTION 6. This section provides that a copy of this Ordinance and the Code of Ordinances shall be maintained and accessible at the Township Clerk's Office.

SECTION 7. This section provides that this Code shall be presumptive evidence in all courts and places of the ordinance and all provisions, sections, penalties and regulations therein contained and of the date of passage, and that the same is properly signed, attested, recorded and approved and that any public hearings and notices thereof as required by law have been given.

SECTION 8. Publication. This section provides that the Clerk for the Charter Township of Plymouth shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

SECTION 7. Effective Date. This section provides that this Ordinance shall take full force and effect upon publication.

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

Joe Bridgman, MMC
Township Clerk

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Politics and religion

Author examines faith of 12 presidents

By Sharon Dargay
O&E Staff Writer

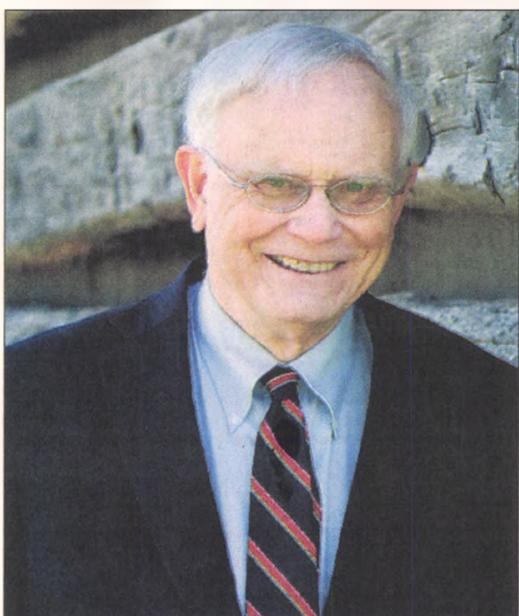
Gerald Ford was the most spiritual of the post-World War II presidents.

Richard Nixon and John F. Kennedy ranked dead last.

And although President Barack Obama attends church infrequently, he's inarguably a Christian — not a Muslim.

At least, that's the way author David Holmes sizes up a few of the most recent 12 commanders in chief. Holmes, who visited several libraries in the Detroit Metro area last week, devoted six years of research to the presidents' religious views, upbringing, education, church-going habits and influence of their faith on policy, for his new book, *Faiths of the Postwar Presidents*.

Lynn Ehrle of Plymouth, who calls the book a "must read for history buffs and presidential scholars," introduced Holmes, his childhood friend and fellow Redford High School graduate, to an audience of approximately two dozen individuals Wednesday at the Plymouth District



Holmes

Library.

Holmes, 80, who holds a Ph.D. in religious studies from Princeton, recently retired after 40 years of teaching and is the Walter G. Mason Professor of Religious Studies Emeritus at the College of William and Mary, in Virginia. He has won numerous awards, including the Outstanding Faculty Award of the Commonwealth of Virginia, the Graves Award for Sustained Excellence in Teaching, the Society of the Alumni Teaching Award and the Thomas Jefferson Award, the highest award given to an administrator or professor at William and Mary.

His books include *A Brief History of the Episcopal Church*, *A Nation*

Mourns, The Life of the Reverend Devereux Jarratt and The Faiths of the Founding Fathers, which looked at the spiritual beliefs of Thomas Jefferson, George Washington and other early Americans.

Three more sessions

Holmes wraps up his book tour for *Faiths of the Postwar Presidents* with a lecture and signing at 3 p.m. Monday, Sept. 17 at the Ypsilanti City Library, 5577 Whittaker Road Ypsilanti Township; 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 17, at the Ann Arbor Public Library, 343 S. Fifth Ave., Ann Arbor; and 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 18, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lake Shore Drive, (Jefferson Ave.)



between Cadieux and Moross in Grosse Pointe Farms.

Holmes focused on Harry Truman, Nixon and Obama's 20-year relationship with the Rev. Jeremiah Wright, pastor of the Trinity United Church of Christ, for the Plymouth audience. He summarized his research on the other nine leaders and said he preferred to stay away from religious issues relating to the current election.

But, when John Eason of Ann Arbor asked about the role of religion in the 2012 presidential campaigns, Holmes said "Religion has not played a role in it that church historians at one time thought it would."

"Why do so many people continue to believe Obama is Muslim?" asked Elaine Hovey of Plymouth Township.

"They don't use primary sources. They deal in hearsay. They don't want to study both sides of the issue. They don't like

Obama," he responded. "But I put blame also on Obama's plate. We rarely see him going to church."

He added that Obama's "faith advisors send him daily devotions and he says he reads them."

While working as a community organizer in Chicago, Ill., Obama attended Trinity United Church of Christ, heard Jeremiah Wright preach and was introduced to Christ.

"Wright's sermon and his church transformed Obama from being a secular humanist to becoming first a fellow traveler for several years in Christianity and then a baptized member of the Trinity congregation," Holmes noted.

Holmes said Mormonism — Mitt Romney's faith — clearly is not a Protestant denomination.

"While there's nothing in Mormonism that is threatening to people, there are some beliefs that Mormons hold that most Americans don't know

about that would cause them to scratch their heads about what Romney believes."

Holmes said opinions vary on Mormonism's relationship to Christianity.

"You have to start with saying it's true Christianity, because that is the claim it makes. If we don't call it the true church, then we call it either Heretodox Christianity — that means sloped to heresy, that it has introduced new doctrines that Christians maybe should have known about but they didn't — or it's a world religion."

When George Lovich of Canton asked which president Holmes would choose if he had to pick one "forever," the author paused and reflected on the 12 profiled in his book.

"The one person who came to my mind I don't agree with some of his policies," Holmes said. "I wouldn't want to make that choice. I guess that's why we don't have kings."

A quick look at faith and 12 presidents

Here's some of what David Holmes told an audience at the Plymouth District Library about post-World War II presidents and their faith:

• Harry Truman — "Truman described himself as ... a Baptist that is not adverse to dancing, or card-playing or theater-going or drink-

ing or swearing." Holmes said Truman liked church and believed in going to church, but began to

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Mark your calendar for Thursday Sept. 27, for Ladies Night Out in downtown Plymouth.

The event, which runs 5-9 p.m., is designed for women to enjoy an evening on the town with friends. They will visit participating stores and enjoy shopping, gifts, samples, prizes and refreshments. Several restaurants also will offer special drinks, appetizers and more.

Participating stores this year include: Agio Spa; Basket Kreations; Bella Mia;

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For more information about Ladies Night Out call (734) 453-1540.



A family finds a new member at Meet Your Best Friends at the Zoo, an annual adoption event presented by the Michigan Humane Society, the Detroit Zoological Society and other animal rescue organizations.

TOUR FOLLOWS HISTORIC RAILWAY'S ROUTE

The Oakland County Historical Commission, Oakland County Parks and Recreation, and the Farmington Historical Society will present "Oakland County Rode the Rails," a bus tour retracing two main routes of the Detroit United Railway, Saturday, Oct. 6.

The tour will run from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. and costs \$30 per person, including lunch at Dick O'Dow's Irish Pub in Birmingham. Reservations are required.

Participants will travel two of the main routes of the interurban line that once served thousands of rail commuters in Oakland County. They'll hear from authors and railway historians about the interurban and its importance to local communities and will learn about the historic buildings that served the railway and the communities that thrived along the rail

routes.

The tour will begin and end in Farmington at the site of the historic Botsford Inn, travel north through Royal Oak to Pontiac and back through the lakes area of central Oakland County.

Brian Golden, a member of the Oakland County Historical Commission and author of *Farmington Junction, a Trolley History* will be joined along the route by Helen Jane Peters, who will talk about the Sylvan Lake Inn, and Kenneth Schramm, author of *Detroit's Street Railway*, who will share his extensive knowledge of the D.U.R. Ticketholders will receive a tour booklet providing additional, supplemental information about the railway system.

For more information or to buy tour tickets, call Golden, tour conductor, at (248) 701-8112.

Find a new furry friend, get one vaccinated

It's almost time to "Meet Your Best Friend" at the Detroit Zoo.

The Detroit Zoological Society and Michigan Humane Society, in collaboration with more than 20 local animal welfare organizations, will present the annual fall adoption event — now in its 20th year — from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 22-23 at the zoo, located at 10 Mile (I-696 service drive) and Woodward Ave., in Royal Oak.

Hundreds of dogs, cats, puppies and kittens will be available for adoption to loving homes. Also, a number of additional breed-specific rescue groups will be on-hand providing information to potential adopters about the breeds they represent. For a full listing, visit www.michiganhumane.org/zoo.

Puppies are often in high demand and can lead to tent overcrowding, which is why special MHS "puppy passes" will be given each morning to the first 25 adoption event guests who are looking specifically to adopt a puppy. Those with a puppy pass will be allowed to enter the adoption tents at 9:45 a.m. A get acquainted area will be offered to give guests an opportunity to spend time with an animal.

There is no charge for admission or parking for the event. Adoption fees and policies are set by each participating group and not by event hosts or sponsors. Animals will be adopted only to qualified homes. Adopters must present a valid driver's license or state ID card. All dogs and cats will have received a medical check-up and age-appropriate vaccinations. For health and safety reasons, visitors should leave current companion animals at home.



PET PROJECTS

For more information, visit the MHS website at www.michiganhumane.org or call (866) 648-6263.

Low-cost vaccinations

Livonia-based Tail Waggers 1990 will vaccination clinics in Inkster, Beverly Hills and Ypsilanti this month. Distemper, rabies and bordetella vaccines are \$12 each or \$30 for all three. Microchipping also will be available. No appointment is necessary. Clinics will be held 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday, Sept.

16, at Pet Suite Retreat, 26245 Michigan Ave., Inkster; 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23, at Premier Pet Supply, 31215 Southfield Road, Beverly Hills; and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, at Norton's Flower and Gifts, 2900 Washtenaw Ave., Ypsilanti.

RSVP by calling Tail Waggers's 1990 at (734) 560-4660 or e-mail to vaccinationclinic@yahoo.com.

Tail Waggers's 1990 also offers a low-cost spay/neuter program. All dogs and puppies, regardless of weight, cost \$85 and cats and kittens cost \$45. The group recommends that all animals be at least six months of age. Spay/neuter services are done at a local, private veterinarian hospital with arrangements being made through the Tail Waggers's office at (734) 855-4077. The Tail Waggers's office is located at 28402 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster; www.tailwaggers1990.org.

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Butterflies

The Southeast Michigan Butterfly Association (SEMBA) will show the film *The Monarch, a Butterfly Beyond Borders*, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 19, at Nankin Mills Nature Center, 33175 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland. This presentation shows what still is unknown about the Monarch's various habitats. Parking on Hines Drive. or Ann Arbor Trail. \$3 for non-members. Questions? Call (734) 326-0578 or visit www.sembabutterfly.com.

English Gardens

Create a spring garden that you'll force into bloom at a "Make It & Take It" workshop for kids, 11:30 a.m., Sat-

urday, Sept. 22. Fee is \$5. Register at englishgardens.com.

- Learn about landscape design, 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 29. Free
 - Get tips on pruning, 10 a.m. Saturday Oct. 6. Free
 - Find out about the latest trends in seasonal indoor decorating 10 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 13. Free
 - Youngsters, 3-12, can make a terrarium filled with tropical plants in a "Make It & Take It Workshop" 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 13. Fee is \$10. Sign up online at englishgardens.com.
- Area stores are at 155 N. Maple, Ann Arbor, (734) 332-7900; 22650 Ford Road in Dearborn Heights, (313) 278-4433; 4901 Coolidge Highway, Royal Oak, (248) 280-9500; and 6370 Orchard Lake Road, in West Bloomfield; (248) 851-7506.

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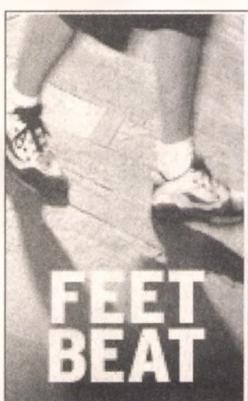
Registration will begin at 10:30 a.m. and the walk will begin at 11:15 a.m.

The route is designed for people of all ages and abilities. Walkers with more than \$75 in pledges will receive a T-shirt. Participants can build their teams at milupus.org.

The event will include food, giveaways, and the Red Wings Experience.

Proceeds from the walk will enable the Lupus Alliance to provide monthly support groups, community outreach programs, patient advocacy at state and national levels and research advancements.

For walk, pledge or sponsorship information call The Lupus Alliance office at (800) 705-6677 or visit online at www.milupus.org.



Vet care

Run Wild for the Detroit Zoo kicks off with a 5K run at 8 a.m., followed by a 10K run at 8:45 p.m. and an untimed 1.5-mile fun walk at 9 a.m., Sunday, Sept. 16, at the Detroit Zoo.

Register outside the Detroit Zoo admission gates at the event. For more information, visit www.detroitzoo.org/runwild.

Authors to sign books at annual luncheon

The Metro Detroit Book & Author Society will offer humor, drama and athletic competition at its fall luncheon at Burton Manor in Livonia.

The book lunch will be held at noon, Monday, Oct. 15 at Burton Manor, 27777 Schoolcraft at I-96, in Livonia, and features lunch, book sales and the opportunity to have books signed by the authors.

The authors are:
Chris Elliott — The Emmy-winning actor, comedian and writer has penned three books spoofing history or pseudo-history, including Jack the Ripper. His new book, *The Guy Under the Sheets: An Unauthorized Autobiography*, is a behind-the-scenes memoir "so personal, so provocative, that Elliott nearly sued himself to halt publication."

Chris Cleave — An English newspaper columnist, he is the author of the #1 international bestseller *Little Bee*, which is being adapted for the movies by Nicole Kidman. His new novel, *Gold*, set around the 2012 Summer Olympics, pits two female athletes, close friends, in a test of their physical and emo-

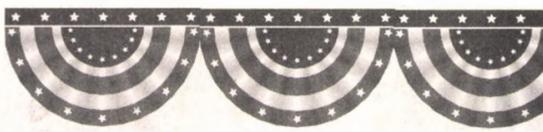
tional limits.

Stewart O'Nan — The author of more than a dozen novels, screenplays and nonfiction works, his new novel is "The Odds." It is the story of a man and woman standing at the edge of divorce and bankruptcy, trying to decide if the difficulty of the unknown outweighs the pain of the familiar.

Joanne Harris — Born to a French mother and an English father in her grandparents' sweet shop, her family life was reflected in her international bestseller *Chocolat*. Her new novel *Peaches for Father Francis*, returns to the scene of *Chocolat* with a tale centered on a mysterious Muslim woman.

Scott Lasser — A Detroit native and novelist, his new novel is *Say Nice Things About Detroit*. It is both a love story and a tale about the complicated urban politics of the 21st century and finding hope in a ravaged city.

Tickets are \$30. Books sales open at 11 a.m. To buy tickets see the ticket request form at the society's web site, bookand-author.info.



FAITH

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avoid it when he became president because tourists would attend services just to watch him.

• Dwight Eisenhower — He was baptized upon becoming president, joined the Presbyterian Church, and led a national religious revival. "There is every indication that his faith was genuine."

• John F. Kennedy — "Research revealed him to be even more secular than I assumed," Holmes said. "One story ... it turns out Jackie complained to a reporter during the 1960 campaign that she felt it unfair people were holding her husband's religion against him. After all, she told the reporter, he's such a poor Catholic."

• Lyndon Johnson — His background was Southern Baptist, although he chose to go to the Disciples of Christ church as a youngster. He rarely attended church until he became president. "Then he started attending regularly, sometimes three times a Sunday," Holmes noted. "LBJ needed to be around people and church was where people could be found."

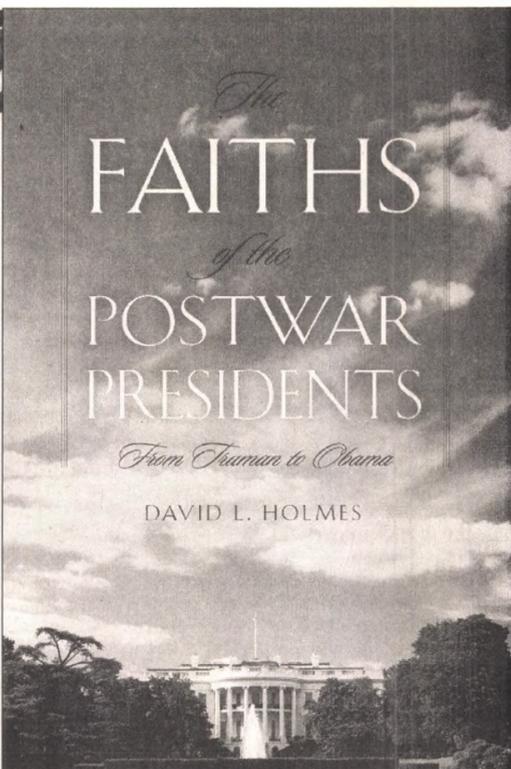
Richard Nixon — He became known for holding Sunday services in the White House, but in a college paper, at age 21, he wrote that he no longer believed in the Biblical miracles or divinity of Christ. Years later, he reaffirmed that view saying "One can be a good Christian without necessarily believing in the physical resurrection of Jesus. Holmes called him a "closet Unitarian."

• Gerald Ford — "A major surprise was that he turned out to be such a deeply religious man." He was raised as an Episcopalian.

• Jimmy Carter — "No surprises. The progressive Evangelical Southern Baptist we saw, was the progressive Evangelical Southern Baptist we got."

• Ronald Reagan — "I found Reagan's religion, to my surprise, to be absolutely authentic. He was the youth leader in his church in Illinois... he (dated) for 13 years the daughter of his pastor," Holmes noted. "In later years he retained the faith of his Protestant mother but adopted the poor church attendance of his lapsed Catholic father."

• George H.W. Bush — He was raised in a highly



David L. Holmes, author of "The Faiths of the Postwar Presidents," is speaking at area libraries.

religious home and never departed from that path.

• Bill Clinton — "There seem to be two Bill Clintons. The first is the hedonistic Bill Clinton and the second, the Sunday morning Bill Clinton. These two men don't seem to know each other and if introduced, they would deny the other existed."

• George W. Bush — Holmes said Bush read evangelical material and surrounded himself with

evangelical advisors, but attended "main line Protestant" churches because his wife "is not all that comfortable with evangelical churches."

• Barack Obama — "After research I have little doubt that Obama's conversion to Christianity in his mid-20s was authentic. He was baptized. He had his two children baptized. Today, his half-sister, a Buddhist, says flatly, 'the man is a Christian.'"

REUNIONS

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50th class reunion, Sept. 29 at the 1-Under Bar & Grill Banquet Facility in Livonia. The committee is looking for classmates and contact information. All classes are welcome to attend. Send names, contact info and questions to the reunion committee website, robichaud62@yahoo.com. Check out "Robichaud 50th Reunion Class of 62" on Facebook and on classmates.com. Or call Paula (McGue) at (517) 304-9755.

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Looking for Classmates from January and June graduations for 50th reunion, 6 p.m. Sept. 29, at the Holiday Inn, 17123 Laurel Park Dr. North, Livonia. Call Neal and Barb Gehring at (248) 568-2254; NGBG@comcast.net.

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Second annual picnic noon-6 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 23, at Nankin Mills Pavilion in Hines park, located at the corner of Ann Arbor Trail and Hines Drive in Westland. Bring your own picnic or purchase Michigan-made hot dogs, chips, pop, water and ice cream at the event. Seating will be available under the shelter, or bring your own chairs. No need to pre-register. Call Janet Cable at (734) 377-4009 or e-mail mackenzie50s-60s@hotmail.com.

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Looking for classmates from January and June classes for 50th class reunion Saturday, Sept. 22, at Western Golf and Country Club, Redford. Cost is \$62 per person. Other weekend activities include tour of school, evening icebreaker and Sunday

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p.m. Reservations deadline is Sept. 1. For more information call Michele Cook Hoffmeyer at (602) 290-6006 or e-mail to russmichele@yahoo.com. Check Classmates and Facebook FHS Class of 62 Reunion pages for more information.

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The elbow has the same joint structure as the hands, knees, ankles and feet; the inflammation that attacks these joints can do equal damage to the elbow joint. Likely, the elbow does not receive the same attention by patient and doctor as the hands or feet because a person can limit use of the elbow and work around its impairment by greater dependence on the shoulders, wrists and hands.
Of course, in time, strain on the other joints becomes intolerable and the patient must come to the physician for therapy for the elbow. The doctor has several options. One is to put the arm in a sling and rest the elbow; the problem is that such treatment renders the whole arm useless. Another alternative is to increase the patient's arthritis medicine, but often only one elbow is involved and more anti-arthritis medicine may disrupt what is otherwise equilibrium between the body, the medicine and the condition under treatment.
A third choice is to aspirate any excess fluid from the elbow joint and then inject a cortisone preparation to forestall the return of inflammation. Doctors usually turn to this option as experience indicates that in most instances the elbow recovers its utility and pain is slow to return or does not rebound at all. In short, doctors can treat elbow arthritis just as ably as they do arthritis of the shoulder, wrist, hand, knee or foot.

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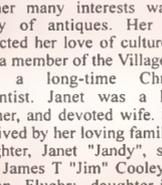
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Age 67. Beloved father of Kelly (Frank). Dear brother of Robert Oakes and Norman Lee Bock. Loving uncle of Kelly Brejjak and Tracy. Cherished grandfather of Jonathan Staisil and Samatha Baas. Uncle of Cindy, Lee, Don, Craig, and Catherine. Retired truck driver for Roush.



FLUEHR, JANET M.

Died September 8, 2012. Age 81, of Traverse City and formerly of Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, passed away peacefully Saturday, September 8th, in Traverse City. Janet was born on June 24, 1931 to the late Roy and Janet "Jay" (Slaight) Deucher in Bay City, Michigan. Janet was brought up in Bay City and graduated from T.L. Handy High School. During her High School years she met Kuhlman Fluehr at the Bay City Players drama productions in which both had acting roles. Janet went on to Monticello College in Illinois before attending the prestigious Pasadena Playhouse, California where she earned her degree in acting and directing. She and Kuhlman were married in Carmel, California on April 22, 1955 and enjoyed 56 years of harmonious marriage. Following several years living in Salinas and Pebble Beach, California, they returned to Michigan where they resided in Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills before moving to Traverse City in January 2011. Janet was an imaginative and accomplished artist mostly in oils and acrylics, creating many quality paintings. She was an avid reader and she and Kuhlman enjoyed extensive world travel. She will always be remembered for her ready willingness to help others - sharing her talents and giving of herself in the culinary arts and setting an elegant table. She had a flair for exquisite interior decorating. Janet was a member of the Bloomfield Women's Antiques Group and one of her many interests was the study of antiques. Her home reflected her love of culture. She was a member of the Village Club and a long-time Christian Scientist. Janet was a loving mother, and devoted wife. She is survived by her loving family; her daughter, Janet "Jandy", son-in-law, James T "Jim" Cooley; son, Glenn Fluehr; daughter-in-law "Paulina"; four grandchildren, Paige and Tanner Cooley, Heather "Tiffany" and Victoria Fluehr; brother and sister-in-law, David and Janet Meynell Fluehr and many nephews, nieces and friends. She was preceded in death by the love of her life, her husband Kuhlman Fluehr on September 27, 2011. No public memorial service is planned. Memorial contributions may be directed to First Church of Christ, Scientist, Traverse City or The Village Club, Bloomfield Hills, or the charity of one's choice. Please share your thoughts with the family at www.reynolds-jonkhoff.com. The family is being served by the Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home and Cremation Services.



GRAY, GARY H.

Age 68, passed away peacefully surrounded by his family on September 13. He is survived by his loving wife, Peggy. Beloved father of Jeff (Trina), Kelly (Brian Kessler), Cassandra Smith, Gary "Buck" (Bethany), Clancy (Jeremy Horgan). Cherished grandfather of Jade, Colt, Levi, Cooper, Harvey, Clark, and baby Horgan, beloved brother of Gail, and uncle to several nieces and nephews. He also leaves behind his BFF Roscoe. Family will receive friends Sunday 4-7 pm and Monday 4-8 pm with a Rosary service at 7:00 pm at Neely-Turowski Funeral Home, 30200 Five Mile Road in Livonia. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Tuesday 11:00 am at St. Michael's Catholic Church; instate 10:30 am until Mass begins. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen. www.neely-turowski.com



RICHEY, VIRGINIA BELL,

Age 89, formerly of Bradenton Florida, passed away September 10, 2012 at Kingston Residence, Hickory NC where she had lived for the last four years. Virginia was born February 13, 1923 in Detroit Michigan the late Paul Brown Bell and Josephine Morrison Bell. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas Collier Richey and a sister Nancy Collier Richey and a sister Nancy Cavanaugh. Surviving are her two daughters, Diane Hanson of Asheville, NC and Joan Margaret Shea (Joseph) of Lake Orion Michigan, son James Craig Richey (Elise) of Clarkston Michigan, six grandchildren, seven great grandchildren and two great great granddaughters. Memorial service arrangements are pending at this time. Condolences may be made online at www.hickoryfh.com. Hickory Funeral Home, Hickory NC is in charge of arrangements.

HOUSEMAN, WALTER R.

Age 85. September 10, 2012. Survived by sons Guy Derek and Brian Clay and long time companion Isabelle Trynovich. Services were private and entrusted to the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, Redford, MI. www.harryjwillfuneralhome.com



MILLER (HYDE), MARGARET MARIANNE

90, died peacefully in the night Sept. 12. She was born in Detroit, Michigan, on July 14, 1922, the eldest child of Harold and Annie Claire (Jessop) Hyde. Margaret grew up in Detroit, graduating from Mackenzie High School in 1940. In 1944 she received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from Wayne University, where she was a reporter and editor for The Collegian campus newspaper. She married Joe Ted Miller on March 27, 1953, and they made their home in Farmington, Michigan, raising four daughters. Margaret participated actively in her children's school and social activities, and their home was one of security, encouragement and love. Margaret and Joe retired to Sarasota, Florida, in 1983, and spent many years walking the beach, enjoying the area's cultural activities, and traveling. In 2004, they moved to Bryan, Texas, to be near family, and Margaret came to Washington seven years later. Margaret worked for the Associated Press in Detroit before her marriage, and as her last child entered school she joined the staff of the Farmington Enterprise, later a part of Observer Newspapers. During her 16 years at the Observer, a chain of weekly newspapers, she worked as a writer and as women's editor, beginning "Woman on the Go," which featured women in interesting careers and volunteer work, and creating "m.m.memos," a column about her own family life. During her retirement she did free-lance writing for several publications. Margaret was a member of the Women of Wayne alumni association, and the Sarasota Branch of the American Association of University Women, editing the AAUW newsletter and participating actively in its fundraising, educational work and social groups. She also led an award-winning macrame and basket-making class for the visually-impaired in Sarasota for many years. Her faith communities included Brewster-Pilgrim and Mayflower Congregational Churches, First United Methodist of Farmington and Newburg United Methodist Churches, all in Michigan; Trinity United Methodist and First Presbyterian Churches in Sarasota; and First Christian Church in Bryan. Margaret enjoyed playing bridge and attending plays, sewing and quilting and needlepoint, talking politics and playing Scrabble. She sang in church choirs and community choruses, and listened to classical music throughout her life. She participated in Campfire Girls as a child, and cheered for the Detroit Tigers far into retirement; she hosted dinner parties in Michigan, helped save turtle nests in Florida, and sang with the Ukies music group in Texas. Her mind stored long poems and all the verses of many hymns, her heart carried family histories and stories. She enjoyed watching Big Ten football, swimming and playing tennis, and reading good novels and biographies. She was a remarkable writer. She made and kept close friendships all through her life, and especially treasured times spent with her grandchildren, in whom she took tremendous pride. Her generous spirit, her integrity and open mind and commitment to social justice, her joy in life and her love for her family, will always be remembered. Margaret leaves four daughters, Mary Miller and her husband Mike Swallow, of Oakfield, Maine; Barbara Staniszewski and her husband Gary, of Shelby Township, Michigan; Katherine Miller and her husband James Stiff, of Phoenix, Arizona; and Ann Anderson and her husband Gary, of Covington, Washington. She also leaves five grandchildren, Katherine Staniszewski of Novato, California; Daniel Staniszewski and his wife Lauren, of Clawson, Michigan; Samantha Anderson and her fiancé Lyle Bush, of Renton, Washington; Monika Anderson of Bellingham, Washington; and Kalena Miller of Northfield, Minnesota. She also leaves several nieces, nephews and cousins. She was predeceased by her husband, Joe Ted Miller, in 2006; and by her brothers, James Hyde in 2008 and John Hyde in 1983. A memorial service will be held in Michigan at a later date. Donations may be sent to Habitat for Humanity, or the charity of one's choice. The family thanks the staffs of Aegis Living of Kent and Franciscan Hospice Care for their help and care over the past year. Final arrangements are with Edline-Yahn & Covington Funeral Chapel.



MOELLERING, PAUL C.

Age 91. Beloved husband of 63 years to Evelyn. Loving father of Tom (Dianne) Moellering, Michelle (Gene) Walker and the late Michael Moellering. Dearest grandfather of 8 and great grandfather of 8. Paul was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana and was a World War II veteran. Founder of Arrow Moving and Storage of Livonia. Long time Livonia Rotarian. Retired to Marco Island, Florida before returning to Michigan. A memorial service will be held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 20805 Middlebelt Rd., Farmington Hills, Friday at 1:30pm. Memorial contributions may be directed to Concordia Lutheran School, 20805 Middlebelt Rd., Farmington Hills, MI 48336. Please share a memory at: www.rgrgharris.com

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SCHAEFER, EDNA P.

Age 81, September 6, 2012. Loving wife of the late Randolph. Beloved mother of Lois (Phil) Pfeifferle and William Schaefer. Grandmother of Eric and Steve Pfeifferle. Sister of Agnes Frost, Nadine Abshire, Glenda Thomas and Joedith Vincent and the late Lillian Ferrel and Kenneth Vincent. Memorials may be made to the Michigan Humane Society. www.harryjwillfuneralhome.com



VALENTINE, JANE B. (NEE SCYZORYK)

85 years old, in her sleep September 10, 2012. Born January 16, 1927 Detroit, Michigan. Dear mother to Thomas (Kali), Sharon, James (Cynda) and Daniel (Laura). She graduated from McKenzie high school in 1945 and was married in 1947 to Raymond Valentine. They were married 46 years. She was preceded in death by her mother Mary, father Bronislaw "Roman", brother Roman "Ray", husband Raymond and sons Thomas and Daniel. Survived by son James (Cynda), St. Louis and daughter Sharon, Severna Park, MD, seven grandchildren and great-grandchildren, cousins, nieces and nephews. Mom made many friends at dad's naval stations in Portsmouth, VA, Charleston SC, and Key West, FLA. The family returned to Detroit in 1960. Mom lived in Plymouth, Michigan for forty years (2004-2010 in Independence Village). She enjoyed the compassionate staff at the village and the many activities. Since the spring of 2010 Mom lived at Blossom Hill in Farmington Hills and appreciated the tender care she received there. Mom was a member of Our Lady of Loretto Catholic church in Redford, Michigan. The joys of her life over the years were spending time with her family, church, Polish cooking, collecting stuffed bears and the Detroit Red Wings.

VOSLER, RICHARD G.

Age 91, September 10, 2012. Beloved husband of the late Marion. Loving father of Diane Macdonald, Karen James, Rick Vosler, Cheryl Butler, Jan Zoyes, Colleen Swanson, Laurie Haas and Rob Vosler. Dear grandfather of 25 and great grandfather of 34. Dear brother of Marianne Yapp. Visitation Saturday at Highland Park Baptist Church 28600 Lahser Rd., Southfield from 2 pm until Funeral Service at 3 pm. Those wishing to make a contribution in Richard's name are asked to consider Southfield Christian School 28650 Lahser Rd., Southfield, MI 48034. Share a memory at: www.rgrgharris.com

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Milestones

Abkowitz-Cendrowski

Alyssa Kate Abkowitz and Scott Alan Cendrowski plan to wed in September 2012. Ava Chappell will officiate at Granby Ranch mountain and resort in Granby, Colo..

The bride-to-be, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Mark D. Abkowitz of Nashville, Tenn., is a reporter at *The Wall Street Journal* in New York City, N.Y., is a graduate of Emory University with a B.A. in anthropology. She earned an M.S. degree from the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism.

Her fiancé, son of Dwight Cendrowski of Ann Arbor and Nancy Migrin of Livonia, is a writer-reporter at *Fortune Magazine* in New York City, N.Y. He graduated with a B.A. in public policy and public administration from Michigan State University, where



he received an Evans Scholarship.

He is the stepson of Greg Migrin of Livonia, and Victoria Cendrowski of Ann Arbor.

Alyssa, a former *Fortune Magazine* contributor, met her future husband while working at the publication.

Following the wedding, they will honeymoon in Italy.

Antoniotti-Padfield

Kate Padfield and Steven Antoniotti were married June 30, 2012, in Twinsburg, Ohio. The Rev. Mark Evans officiated.

The bride, daughter of Nick and Rosie Padfield of Hudson, Ohio, attended Hudson High School, Miami University, and Logan College of Chiropractic of Missouri. She is employed at Gallagher Chiropractic Group of Indianapolis.

The groom, son of Steve and Alice Antoniotti of Farmington Hills, attended Brother Rice High School, Miami University, and Logan College of Chiropractic of Missouri. He owns PEAK Chiropractic in Fishers, Ind.

The bride's attendants were Kate Berry of Indianapolis, Ind.; Mary Boland Roberts of Austin, Texas; Laura Boland of Chicago, Ill.; Cara Wagner of London, U.K.; Lidia Sirbu of Indianapolis, Ind.; Aimee Prevallet of Blacksburg, Va.; Ashley Petak of Washington D.C.; and Angela Delaney of San Francisco, Calif. Katelyn, Bella and Sara Antoniotti, nieces of the groom, were flower girls.

The groom's attendants were Dan Leonard of Westerville, Ohio; Chris Niro of Little Rock, Ark.;



Jeff Day of San Jose, Calif.; Nate Halm of Chicago, Ill.; Chris Antoniotti of Royal Oak, and brother of the groom; Sean Padfield of Indianapolis, Ind. and Ross Padfield of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., both brothers of the bride; and James David Mynhier of Chicago, Ill. Josh and Zach Antoniotti of Royal Oak, nephews of the groom, were their ring bearers.

A reception was held at the Hilton Garden Inn, Twinsburg, Ohio.

The couple also took a honeymoon trip to Maroma Beach, Riviera Maya, Mexico.

They reside in Indianapolis, Ind.

Mooney-Mayer

Dennis and Nancy Mooney of Lisle, Ill., formerly of Farmington, announce the engagement of their daughter, Allison Mooney, to Robert Mayer, son of Dennis and Ann Mayer of Okemos.

The couple met during their time at Michigan State University. Allison, who graduated in 2010 with a degree in early childhood education, teaches first grade near Denver, Colo. Robert, a 2009 graduate with a degree in communications, is employed in the seminar development



unit at Jackson National Life.

A July 2013 wedding will be held at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, in East Lansing.

RELIGION CALENDAR

Send items for the religion calendar to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@hometownlife.com.

September

BETHANY
Time/Date: 8 p.m.-midnight, Saturday, Sept. 29
Location: Don Hubert VFW Hall, 27345 Schoolcraft, east of Inkster Road, Redford
Details: Admission to this Bethany Together Dance is \$13
Contact: Loretta at (586) 264-0282

BIBLE CLASS
Time/Date: 10:45 a.m.

Sunday, beginning Sept. 23
Location: Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford
Contact: (734) 968-3523 or (313) 532-8655.

BREAKFAST
Time/Date: 8:30 a.m.-noon, Sunday, Sept. 16
Location: St. Theodore Social Hall, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland
Details: French toast, pancakes, ham, sausage, scrambled eggs, apple-sauce, coffee, tea, juice and milk. All-you-can-eat breakfast costs \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children, 2-10
Contact: (734) 425-4421

Managing pain

Wayne State prof researches health of African Americans

By Julie Brown
O&E Staff Writer

April Vallerand of Novi, an associate professor in the College of Nursing at Wayne State University, is researching pain management in African American cancer patients.

In this study, all are cancer patients, said Vallerand, 55, who received her Ph.D. in nursing from the University of Pennsylvania. She earned a master's in nursing from California State University at Los Angeles and her bachelor's degree in nursing from Mount St. Mary's College in Los Angeles.

Vallerand and colleagues did a study in home care, how to manage cancer pain, approximately from 2000-05. They lost a lot of patients, with less reimbursement for home care coming in.

"My thought was 'Where are these patients getting care now?'" Outpatient clinics are most common.

Vallerand has found patients who can manage their pain do better.

Sense of control

"It's that sense of knowing what to do to control your pain. If they didn't have that they were more distressed and less functional. Our African Americans had significantly higher levels of pain, more distress and significantly less function."

The patients are followed for 12 weeks, with intervention five weeks of that time.

At week 12, researchers want to see if changes have lasted.

Medication management is one component. "It's much more effective if you take it earlier. That's one of the pieces we're helping them understand." Nurses can help with side effects and issues of addiction.

They also train the patient and caregiver to support each other in interacting with doctors. "That validation is really important. That's our second component which we call pain advocacy."

Living with Pain is the third component, not eliminating all pain but letting patients do what's important to them. That could include a hot-cold pack to put in microwave or freezer. Some use prayer, "those types of issues to help them continue their life. Sleeping because you're continually in pain" is not a good coping mechanism, she said.

Help with pain

"I do believe this type intervention will work for most any kind of pain." She would like to use it on non-cancer and other populations as well.

There was an article in *The Michigan Chronicle* on their study, with a woman from the study interviewed. "She talked about what the intervention did for her. It was wonderful," said Vallerand, who also recently spoke to the Novi Rotary about her work.

Caregivers aren't all fami-

ly members.

"It could be anybody." Spouses as caregivers are less likely for African Americans, many are friends or neighbors "or they have no one."

One man said when asked if he needed a hospital ride, "I'd call a cab." Many of them are alone in dealing with this," she said.

Researchers found that African American cancer patients experience chronic pain more severely than others and tended to believe that nothing would help them, making them vulnerable to depression.

Vallerand's \$1.1 million study funded by the National Cancer Institute, "Improving Functional Status Among African Americans with Cancer Pain," is testing counseling as a way to help these patients. The research study currently has 109 participants enrolled in the Detroit area, half of whom receive in-home visits from a nurse who counsels patients and their caregivers. The study will enroll 256 patients, half in a control group and half in the counseling intervention group, prior to completion in 2014.

This study is the only one focusing on African American cancer patients with chronic pain. It's a three-year study, about half-way through. They're beginning to publish information, and applying for other grants to look at other populations.

"There's not a good knowl-



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Novi resident and Wayne State University associate professor April Vallerand is working on a National Health Institute grant to study the effectiveness of pain management for African Americans going through cancer treatment. She coordinates the study through the Karmanos Cancer Center in Detroit.

go through," she said of cancer survivors.

Access is key

"I think that anything that provides more of our patients with access to health care is a good thing," she said. One patient had an insurance plan, with doctor who prescribed 60 Vicodin a month.

"He's spending at least half his day in pain. The insurance company said, 'No, we'll only give you 40.'" Because the study patients have cancer, Karmanos social workers will help to identify assistance.

"But it's a real struggle," said Vallerand, who hasn't found any negative reaction to nurses as researchers.

"It may be because I'm a Ph.D. I'm pretty good at making it clear I'm a nurse." Patients are comfortable with nurses.

"They have been incredibly welcoming. They watch out for us. We go into neighborhoods that are not wonderful." They may not expect their physicians to do this kind of research, she said.

Patients are sad to see them leave. One man with

prostate cancer couldn't wash dishes at his sink initially. For the second visit, he was waiting at the door and said, "You guys have changed my whole life." He could walk a mile a day in the park.

"So it's been very gratifying to see we are able to make enormous changes in some of these patients," she said. "That's exactly what we're talking about giving them their life back. What did that pain keep you from doing and can we help you get back to it?"

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