



Voter forum

The League of Women Voters of NW Wayne County hosts a forum for 11th Congressional District candidates 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 1, at the Plymouth District Library.

The public can submit questions in advance through the League's email address: lwvmail@yahoo.com.

Difference makers

Plymouth Community United Way seeks volunteers to clean yards and do light chores in Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton on Make a Difference Day Saturday, Nov. 3.

Volunteers will meet on the day of the event at The Salvation Army Plymouth Corps, 9451 S. Main, south of Ann Arbor Road. Check in time is 8 a.m. with a continental breakfast.

MDOT meeting

The Michigan Department of Transportation hosts a second public meeting for the I-275 at Ford Road Area Traffic and Environmental Study and Evaluation 4-7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 11, in the Summit on the Park Grand Ballroom.

MDOT plans to recap the first public meeting, share new data that has been gathered, and unveil the Illustrative Alternatives for the project.

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House hopefuls spar at forum

By Darrell Clem Observer Staff Writer

Two disparate versions of Michigan emerged along political party lines as state House candidates sparred Monday night during a Canton forum sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County.

Democrats blamed Republicans for gutting public education, eroding the middle class, attacking women's rights and shifting taxes from big companies to working people and retirees.

State Rep. Kurt Heise of Plymouth Township, the only Republican candidate attending the forum at the Canton Public Library, championed GOP efforts he said rescued Michigan from "a state

of crisis" by cutting taxes, reducing unemployment, balancing the budget and creating a blueprint for prosperity. "We are now in a state of recovery," said Heise, seeking a second two-year term.

Heise challenger Tim Roraback, a Plymouth Democrat, portrayed Heise as a political insider who shifted taxes away from businesses and remained quiet amid scandals such as GOP House Speaker Jase Bolger's alleged attempt to rig a state House election in Grand Rapids.

Heise and Roraback are competing in the Nov. 6 election for the 20th District seat that represents the Plymouths,

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Democrat Tim Roraback, Republican Kurt Heise and Democrat Dian Slavens took part in Monday's candidate forum in Canton. Slavens' Republican challenger, Joe Barnabei, sent a note of apology for being unable to attend.



PHOTOS BY MICHAEL SHUSTER

Runner Jen Schinker of Plymouth (No. 690) won an award for having the costume with the most blue on it during Sunday's Run for Ribbons 5K, a fundraiser for Lighthouse Family Charity.

Run for Ribbons

Inaugural event supports child abuse victims

By Matt Jachman Observer Staff Writer

The stress of organizing a major public event melted away Sunday morning for Jasmine Millwood when she looked at people lined up to start the Run for Ribbons 5K.

"I can't really describe to you the feeling and the emotions that I had at that moment," said Millwood, who used an air horn to signal the start of the race. "I got very emotional seeing 400 people there ... supporting what we do."

The inaugural Run for Ribbons, which began and ended in downtown Plymouth, raised money for Lighthouse Family Charity, which raises awareness of the problem of child abuse and brings support to its victims.

Millwood and race organizers had hoped for 300 runners and got a bit more than that, with more than 300 people running the 5-kilometer (3.1 miles) route through the



Lighthouse Family Charity executive director Jasmine Millwood (second from left) poses Sunday at the inaugural Run for Ribbons with Erin Williams, chairwoman of the Junior Chamber of Plymouth Canton, which helped organize the fundraiser.

they were foster children, and Millwood told their story in a memoir, Unbreakable, published earlier this year.

"I couldn't stop thinking about my sisters and how proud they would be," said Millwood, who lives in Plymouth.

Millwood and race organizers had hoped for 300 runners and got a bit more than that, with more than 300 people running the 5-kilometer (3.1 miles) route through the

streets of Plymouth, and 70 people running the one-mile Pinwheel Parade.

"It was nice and cool. It was a fabulous morning for a run and to go through the neighborhoods of Plymouth," said Abby Stonerook of Plymouth Township, who ran in both events.

The fun run winner was Brett Stinar of Northville, who finished in 19:10. Brad Litwin

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Calley upbeat on state's progress

By Matt Jachman Observer Staff Writer

The lieutenant governor Wednesday gave an upbeat assessment of Michigan's progress over the last 21 months and urged people to get involved in their communities to build a stronger state rather than relying on help from Washington, D.C.

Republican Brian Calley, introduced as the youngest lieutenant governor in the country, said a state economic turnaround in Gov. Rick Snyder's administration was made possible by legislators and officials who didn't know the unwritten political rules that had long hampered change and weren't afraid to make tough decisions.

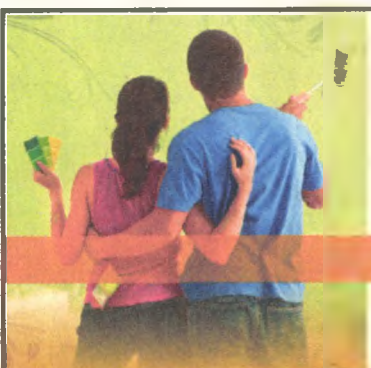
"We'd been in fiscal crisis for so long people thought we weren't in fiscal crisis," Calley, 35, told about 80 people during a Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce

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Lt. Gov. Brian Calley was introduced as the youngest lieutenant governor in the state before his speech to the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce Wednesday.



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Township board OKs radio console purchase

By Matt Jachman
Observer Staff Writer

Plymouth Township officials tentatively agreed Tuesday to the purchase of a \$295,000 public safety radio console, which will be used by dispatchers to take calls from the public and communicate with police officers and firefighters in the field.

The console will replace a six-year old system that officials say has been patched together

over the years and is considered to be at the "end of life."

The voice-vote approval of the five Board of Trustees members at Tuesday's meeting was contingent upon a green light on the purchase contract from township attorney Tim Cronin.

Cronin told board members he had reviewed the deal and had several points he wanted to discuss with the attorney for Motorola, the equipment supplier.

"It's a little ways away from being approved, in my recommendation," Cronin said.

Police Chief Tom Tiderington said it will take about six months for the console equipment to get installed and up and running. Dispatchers who will use it will be trained on the new system.

The approval came two weeks after Tiderington's request was postponed when board members said they wanted more information on the system and the contract.

The console, said the chief, will be hard-wired to the Michigan State Police communications tower on Seven Mile in Northville Township, and will not require the township to replace any in-vehicle or handheld police or Plymouth Community Fire Department radios, Tiderington said.

Officials are keeping open the option of sharing a \$128,000 system add-on that would record dispatch conversations

and police and fire department radio traffic. Tiderington said officials in Canton Township have agreed to share the so-called system "logger," which can record simultaneously on multiple channels, but that a formal agreement hasn't been drawn up.

"If we have the opportunity to share the equipment we will, and Canton is agreeable to it," Tiderington said on Wednesday.

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breakfast at Schoolcraft College's VisTaTech Center.

"Change is hard. Change is uncomfortable," and the desire to keep the status quo is strong, he added.

But, said Calley, a former banker and state House of Representatives member from the Ionia area, economic reforms like the 2011 state tax overhaul, a balanced 2011-12 budget in Snyder's first six months and the tightening of state tax incentives were accomplished and are now paying dividends, such as lower unemployment, a \$20 billion reduction in Michigan's debt load since Snyder took office and a state credit upgrade that could come at any time.

More tax changes

Next on the tax front, Calley said, are changes in the state's personal property tax. A measure has passed the Senate and is in the House, he said, but legislators are proceeding slowly, recognizing that local governments rely on the tax and will need to offset revenue shortfalls.

"We've gone through all of this work to create financial stability in government. ... We don't want



State Rep. Kurt Heise photographs Lt. Gov. Brian Calley during Calley's speech to the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce breakfast Wednesday.

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to cause local government instability," he said.

The PPT is a tax on business furnishings and equipment and is disliked by many business owners, especially those with expensive manufacturing equipment. The PPT brings about \$350,000 a year for the city of Plymouth and about \$780,000 a year for Plymouth Township, and officials in both communities have said a repeal of the tax without any replacement would be devastating.

Calley also told chamber members to expect more focus from the Snyder administration on education, particularly in

how schooling is geared toward teaching the job skills employers need. He said a wide range of career opportunities will be valued, but that he often hears from employers that they can't find prospective workers with the skills they're looking for.

Calley also:

- Said state regulatory reform continues but is a painstaking process, sometimes involving changes in law, sometimes changes in administrative rules and sometimes in attitude. About 700 regulations have been changed under Snyder, he said, but he won't be hap-

py until that number is "in the thousands."

- Introduced Republican state Sen. Patrick Colbeck and state Rep. Kurt Heise, who both represent the Plymouth area, as "a couple of guys who have shown tremendous courage" as part of the current Legislature that has worked with Snyder.

- Urged a no vote on each of the five proposals on the ballot in November that would amend the state constitution, and a yes vote on Proposal 1, to uphold Public Act 4, the emergency financial manager law. Most of Act 4, Calley said, deals with avoiding the conditions



A good crowd listened to Lt. Gov. Brian Calley's speech Wednesday.

that lead to the appointment of an emergency financial manager, and the state's taxpayers are ultimately liable for communities that fail financially.

The five proposed constitutional amendments deal with union rights, renewable energy, collective bargaining for in-home care workers, a requirement for a two-thirds majority for increasing taxes and subjecting state bridge and tunnel projects to a vote of the people.

"Whether you agree on policy or not, these do not belong in our constitution," Calley said.

Urges local involvement

Touching on the U.S. presidential race, Calley said Michigan residents should help improve the state by first looking out

for their families, their neighbors and their communities, rather than expecting that the federal government will help if this or that candidate is elected to the White House.

"That is really how you build a strong community and a strong state," he said.

That point struck a chord with chamber member Sandra Canzoneri, a partner in Agile Business Performance Improvement, which consults with businesses to improve processes and train and motivate workers.

"I think that we've lost our way" by looking to Washington for answers instead of looking within, Canzoneri said. "The communities, the state, the government are only as good as its people."

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of Northville and Leonardo Brito of Ann Arbor finished second and third, respectively. Jen Schinker of Plymouth won the "biggest blue" award for the outfit with the most

blue, which is Lighthouse's signature color.

The net proceeds are estimated at about \$4,000, and Millwood said Lighthouse will use the money to buy booklets for all fifth-graders in the Plymouth Canton Community Schools on stopping and preventing child abuse.

The booklets are called *It's OK To Tell*.

"We feel those are very effective and positive prevention resources that we would like our community's children to have," Millwood said. "For my personal experience," having learned that message, "would've changed many things for me," she added.

Run for Ribbons was organized by volunteers from the Plymouth-Canton Jaycees, or Junior Chamber, of which Millwood is president, from other local organizations, including Rotary Club chapters and the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

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Friends pose at the finish line of Sunday's Run for Ribbons 5K, a fundraiser for Lighthouse Family Charity. The first-ever run in Plymouth drew more than 300 runners.

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eastern Canton, Northville Township and the Wayne County portion of Northville.

Issue fights

State Rep. Dian Slavens, a Democrat seeking a third and final two-year term, vowed Monday to continue fighting for education, the middle class, senior citizens and new ethics rules.

"I have fought passionately for these issues," she said.

Her Republican challenger, Joe Barnabei of Van Buren Township, sent an apology for missing the candidates forum but sent a statement that read in part: "One thing we can all agree on is that we want what is best for Michigan, and it is our responsibility to hold our elected officials accountable for their actions."

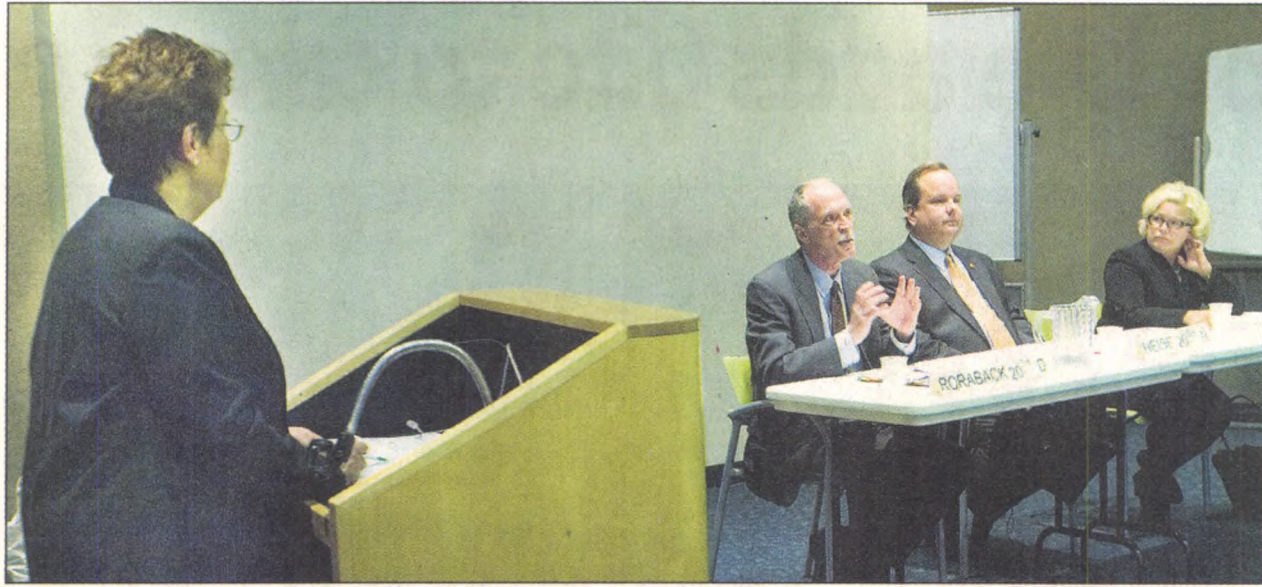
Slavens and Barnabei are competing for the 21st District seat that represents a majority of Canton, Van Buren Township and Belleville.

An estimated 80 people attended Monday's forum. Responding to the audience's written questions, candidates weighed in on issues such as job growth, the state House's performance, efforts to diversify the economy, women's reproductive rights and whether Michigan should become a right-to-work state.

Heise said the private sector, not government, creates jobs. He said tax cuts to help businesses have spurred new growth, and he made a pitch for GOP presidential nominee Mitt Romney in saying government needs to "get out of the way" so companies can create jobs.

Left behind

Roraback, a retired Michigan Department



Paula Bowman, of the League of Women Voters, moderates the forum for candidates Tim Roraback, Kurt Heise and Dian Slavens.

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of Human Services manager, called for investing in public education and job-training programs as ways the government can, indeed, help revitalize the economy. "We really can't afford to leave anybody behind in our economy," he said.

Slavens said she supports more investment in education and more tax incentives for small businesses and entrepreneurs — moves she said can lead to jobs.

When asked to rate the state House's recent job performance, Slavens gave it a failing grade and said Republicans, with control of the governor's office and state Legislature, have refused to compromise while GOP leaders such as Bolger haven't been held accountable for wrongdoing.

Heise gave the House an "A-minus" for working with Gov. Rick Snyder to turn a \$1.5 billion deficit into a \$300 million surplus. Meanwhile, he singled out the city of Detroit and the nation as in decline.

Roraback didn't publicly assign a grade to the House, but after the forum he said he would give it a failing mark for

failing to invest in education and for ignoring political corruption.

Responding to a question about a part-time legislature, Slavens and Roraback said there are too many crucial issues not to have full-time lawmakers, though Heise, an attorney, said he could support the measure with 75 days in session as long as elected officials could hold their own jobs.

The environment

Roraback criticized Heise's record on the environment, saying Heise received poor marks from the Michigan Sierra Club. Heise underscored his experience as Wayne County's former environmental director and said Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties should find more regional approaches on environmental issues.

Slavens said protecting the environment "should be a priority for us." She has received high marks from the Sierra Club.

Slavens and Roraback voiced opposition to so-called cyber schools, with Slavens saying it's impossible to monitor who's taking cyber tests and Roraback suggesting

Michigan can't continue to fund so many education options.

Heise said his support for public education is one area in which he departed from Republican colleagues. He said he sends his children to Plymouth-Canton schools and, referring to cyber schools, said "as a parent, it's not for me."

On diversifying metro Detroit's economy, Roraback said leaders need to invest in the area's infrastructure and public education, especially Detroit. Slavens voiced support for small businesses and entrepreneurs and touted her role in getting an advanced battery bill passed.

Heise said diversifying the economy is "a great challenge right now for our region," but he said select tax breaks for certain industries isn't the right path. He said the area should use its airport and a new international bridge to Canada as ways to bring new growth.

Slavens and Roraback said Republican lawmakers have pushed their agenda against women by limiting access to certain health care. Slavens said women should have safe

facilities "if they choose abortion."

Heise said abortion clinics should have oversight similar to that of veterinary clinics to ensure proper procedures are being followed. After the forum, voter Martha Trafford singled out those remarks as offensive, saying she didn't like women's health issues being compared to veterinary clinics.

Informative forum

Overall, Trafford found the forum "very informative." Likewise, voter Elaine Thomas said the forum addressed issues voters should consider as they go to the polls.

On the issue of eliminating personal property taxes for businesses, Slavens and Roraback said they are concerned the plan could siphon money from public education and local communities.

Heise said he opposed a plan to suddenly eliminate all personal property taxes but is willing to work with other lawmakers to gradually reduce the tax, though he said lost revenue should somehow be replaced.

On the issue of voter identification, Slavens

said she opposes forcing residents, especially seniors, to produce an ID card they might not have. She said there already are requirements to prove citizenship when registering to vote.

Roraback said he doesn't see the need for voter identification, saying the move disenfranchises the "most vulnerable" Americans.

Heise said he supports having voters show identification, though he said anyone who qualifies to vote but lacks an ID should get one at state expense.

All three candidates opposed efforts to make Michigan a right-to-work state.

"Right to work is wrong for Michigan families," Slavens said.

Roraback said unions should have the right to organize.

Heise sided with Snyder and said, "It is not a priority. It is divisive."

Slavens and Roraback said they would support a bill stating women should get equal pay for equal work. Heise said he wouldn't. When asked later to elaborate, he said most legislation has never passed and has been framed in broadly worded concepts.

On legislative term limits, Slavens said she sees fault in the law, saying it has led to "part of the dysfunction that's in Lansing."

Roraback deferred to Slavens and said term limits — currently three two-year terms for House members — make it difficult to form legislative relationships.

Heise said six years in the state House might, indeed, be too short. But he said any proposed changes should only apply to future lawmakers, not those in now in office.

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Bark for Life adds bite to cancer research

By Brad Kadrich
Observer Staff Writer

Three years ago, Bonnie Meyerand lost her husband, Bob, who lost a three-year battle with prostate cancer.

A month ago, Meyerand found out her son-in-law — “A man every mom wishes for her daughter” — was diagnosed with colon cancer, and a good friend was diagnosed with liver cancer.

So the emotion expressed by Meyerand, one of several people who spoke of the effects cancer has had on their lives at Saturday's second annual Bark for Life, is certainly understandable.

“I tell you, I really hate cancer,” Meyerand told a crowd clutching tissue as she spoke. “I'm doing my best to raise money so we don't have to live with this terrible disease.”

Bark for Life is a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society patterned after Relay for Life and designed to highlight the importance pets can have in the lives of those suffering from cancer.

It's part of why Meyerand was there Saturday with Bailey, her Shi Tzu she said was her husband's constant companion throughout his battle.



Bonnie Meyerand tells the story of her late husband, Bob, with their Shi Tzu, Bailey, standing faithfully by. American Cancer Society event coordinator Angela Gallegos holds the microphone.

“Bailey gave us a reason to get out every day, to play outside, take her for walks and bike rides in Hines Park with Bailey riding in the ‘Toto’ basket on the front of Bob's bike,” Meyerand said. “During Bob's last days at home, Bailey lay beside him in his hospital bed, not leaving his side,

her face lying on his arm. I know she knew. After Bob passed away, I could see the sadness in Bailey's eyes.”

Angie Theil of Howell made the trip to Bark for Life because she knows a thing or two about disease. She and a team of friends work together doing research on lupus



Best Costume judge Amanda Rasnake with Teddy (in the MSU garb) and Shiloh (the bumblebee) during the Bark for Life event Saturday. Teddy and Shiloh are Havanese brother and sister.

at the University of Michigan. More importantly, Theil's mother is battling cancer.

While acknowledging the event's success — “Anything for research is good” — Theil, who brought her English shepherd Alex to the event, said the dogs can play such a positive role.

“My mom always has her lap dog with her,”

Theil said. “When everyone else gets tired out, your dog doesn't.”

According to American Cancer Society officials, the event raised some \$10,000, bringing the two-year total to some \$16,000.

“It's a really great event that's getting bigger and bigger,” said Angela Gallegos, ACS event development coordinator. “Relay

for Life is our signature event, but Bark for Life, has grown from two events to 15 events around southeast Michigan. It brings more and more people together who have been touched by cancer. People who have a relationship with their dogs have a chance to help.”

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CRIME WATCH

Converters stolen

Automobile catalytic converters, valued by scrapers for the metals inside, were reported stolen in three incidents in Plymouth Township earlier this month, according to township Police Department reports.

One theft took place late Sept. 17 or some time the next day in the parking lot of an apartment complex on Lillie south of Ann Arbor Road, a police

report said. The catalytic converter was cut from a Chevrolet Cavalier; the complainant discovered the theft at about 1 p.m. Sept. 18, the report said.

Another theft took place during roughly the same time frame outside an apartment on Shadywood Lane, south of Wilcox Road and west of Haggerty, a report said. The target vehicle was a Pontiac Sunfire.

The third theft took place in the park-

ing lot of Plymouth United Methodist Church, on North Territorial west of Sheldon. The catalytic converter had been cut off another Chevrolet Cavalier that had been parked there over Friday night, a police report said.

Boat raided

Fishing tackle in a tackle box was reported stolen Friday from a boat that was in storage in a lot on Ann Arbor Road.

The victim, a Canton Township man, told police he was driving by the facility when he noticed the tarpaulin on his

stored boat was askew. When he went to check on it, he said, he found the tackle box was missing.

Plate theft

The license plate was reportedly stolen from a 2005 Ford Mustang while the car was parked outside a house on Woodway Drive, north of Ann Arbor Road and east of Ridge, earlier this month.

The complainant told police the theft occurred between Sept. 18 and Friday afternoon.

— By Matt Jachman



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- Girls Night Out** – November 9 – NCBA (248) 347-1642
- Holiday Lighted Parade** – November 16 (6:30 p.m.) – www.northville.org
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Date/Time: Tuesday, Oct. 2, 4-5:30 p.m.

Location: Schoolcraft College VisTaTech Center, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia

Details: The League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County and the Livonia and Plymouth-Canton Chapters of the AAUW are hosting a forum on Millennial Generation Challenges: College Affordability, Fair Pay, and Unemployment. The moderator is Karen Schaumann-Beltran, Sociologist and Director of Service Learning and Civic Engagement at Schoolcraft. Speakers include Joan Gebhardt, Wayne County Commissioner and Schoolcraft College Trustee; Mickey Edell, AAUW State Funds Director; and Julie Rowe, Michigan Organizer for AAUW Action Fund's Get Out the Vote Campaign. The forum is open to the public and free of charge. Refreshments will be served.

Contact: For further information, call 734-421-4420.

MOM 2 MOM SALE

Date/Time: Saturday, Oct. 20, 8:30 a.m. (early bird), 9 a.m. to noon (regular)

Location: St. Edith Catholic Church, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia

Details: The Mom 2 Mom sale features 74 tables of gently used maternity, baby, and kids items. There will be a bake sale and refreshments. Proceeds benefit St. Edith/St. Kenneth MOPS.

Contact: www.stekmops.org

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

USED BOOK SALE

Date/Time: Friday and Saturday, Oct. 5-6, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Location: Risen Christ Lutheran Church, 46250 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth

Details: This annual sale includes hardcovers (\$1) and paperbacks (50 cents) along with DVDs and CDs covering a variety of subject matter and popular authors.

Contact: Call (734) 453-5252 or Dean at (734) 455-3536.

BLOOD DRIVES

Dates: Various

Locations: Various

Details: The American Red Cross sponsors blood drives at the following dates, times and locations: Friday, Oct. 5, Busch's Market/Caribou Coffee, Plymouth, 10



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'Have Gavel Will Travel' auctioneer Joe Carli conducted an auction at the Plymouth Cultural Center Ice Arena Saturday, and the large crowd bid on hundreds of collectibles, antiques, jewelry and assorted other items. Carli has been using the center for years for his successful auctions and he has a regular following of bidders. Carli will be the auctioneer for a charity benefit for The Friends of the Michigan Philharmonic 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 19, at the Plymouth Elks Club, 41700 Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth.

a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; Sunday, Oct. 7, St. Thomas a'Becket Church, Canton, 8:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m.; Monday, Oct. 8, Church of Christ, 1-6:45 p.m.; Sunday, Oct. 14, First

Presbyterian Church, 7:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.; Tuesday, Oct. 16, Victory Toyota, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; Saturday, Oct. 20, NorthRidge Church, Plymouth, 7:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.; Monday, Oct. 22, Trinity Presbyterian Church, 2-7:45 p.m.; and Wednesday, Oct. 24, VFW Post 6695, Plymouth, 2-7:45 p.m.

Contact: Donors can contact Diane at (313) 549-7052 or Diane.Risko@redcross.org to set up an appointment.

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

Details: OLGC hosts a craft fair. The church will provide an 8-foot by 6-foot space, table and two chairs for \$35. Electric outlets are available. The event will feature raffle drawings, food provided by Family Affair Cater-

ing. Proceeds applied to building debt reduction. Admission is \$2.

Contact: Call Sandy at (248) 344-7995 or email alnsain1964@aol.com.

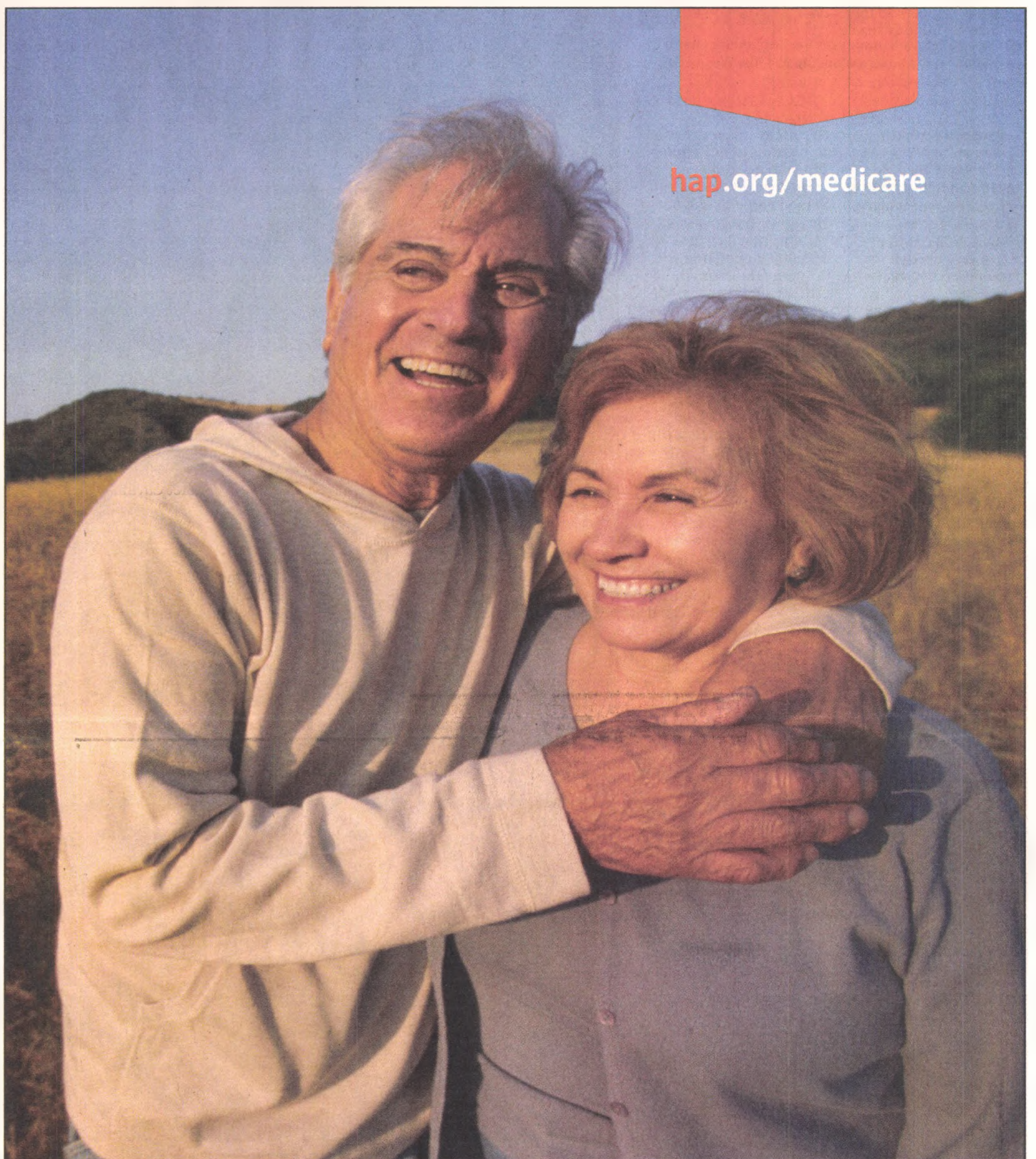
HOSPICE SUPPORT

Date/Time: Third Saturday of the month, 10-11:30 a.m.

Location: Compassionate Care Hospice, 5730 Lilley, Canton

Details: Compassionate Care Hospice conducts a grief support group, "Compassionate Words," providing emotional support to any adult grieving the loss of a loved one. The group focuses on the various stages of grief, and incorporates basic journal writing as a way to express feelings. The program is free of charge.

Contact: To register, contact Ann Christensen, Compassionate Care Hospice Bereavement Coordinator at (888) 983-9050, or email achristensen@cchcnet.net.



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Dogs take center stage for cancer fundraiser



Angie Theil of Howell introduces her English Shepherd, Alex, to Bailey, the Boxer belonging to Mike Wescott of Canton.

By Brad Kadrich
Observer Staff Writer

Joyce Costanza knows a little bit about cancer. After all, her sister and an aunt are survivors, and she's lost one friend and a cousin to the disease.

That's why Costanza wanted to be involved in the second annual Bark for Life, the American Cancer Society fundraiser that spotlights the role family dogs can play in helping those suffering from the disease.

The event took place Saturday in Canton's Heritage Park.

"My neighbor is terminal (with cancer) now," said Costanza, who captained the Silent Auction team for the event. "I do this for the people who fight for

their lives. I'm grateful to be able to help people who need it."

Saturday's event raised some \$10,000, bringing the two-year total to more than \$16,000, according to Angela Gallegos, the American Cancer Society's event coordinator, who said Bark for Life has grown from just two communities to events in 15 southeast Michigan communities.

"It's a really great event that's getting bigger and bigger," Gallegos said. "Communities that have Relay for Life events (the ACS signature fundraiser) are really showing great support for the Bark for Life events, as well."

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Amy Rhode of Canton tries to get Pebbles to perform during the Bark for Life "musical sit" game.



Joyce Costanza, a Bark for Life committee member, gets in on the event's silent auction.



Atticus, the Pug in the pumpkin suit (and named after the Gregory Peck character) and Buddy, a Bassett/Dachshund mix wearing a butterfly costume, await the results. It was a good day for Buddy, who was named the winner.



Pearl tries to get the best of her new best friend, Luna, wrestling around at the Canton Bark for Life event Saturday.



Anthony Kulka, 5, takes aim with his "Angry Bird" at one of the kiddie games of the Bark for Life fundraiser. Anthony, who lives in Napoleon, Mich., is the nephew of Christine and John Kulka of Canton.



The pooches got to try their paws at a game of "sit and spin" based on the old favorite, musical chairs.

Son joins dad's dental practice at its silver anniversary

By Matt Jachman
Observer Staff Writer

Drs. Allen and Michael Berman bring together their scientific, creative and social sides at their dental practice in Plymouth Township.

The Bermans are marking the practice's 25th anniversary, expanding with the addition of Michael as his father's first and only associate dentist, and have just completed a major renovation of their office in the Arts and Crafts style to which Allen Berman is attracted.

"I think all dentists are frustrated artists," said Allen Berman in his office on Tuesday, explaining his love of art, architecture and design. "I've always been very creative." That extends from dental work to overseeing the office renovation to a hands-on approach during a recent two-year home-building project, he said.

Both Bermans have wide-ranging interests, and took unique paths to dentistry. "You have to be a little right-brained and a little left-brained," Allen Berman said.

The elder Berman attended two state schools but never got a



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Drs. Allen and Michael Berman.

bachelor's degree, getting his doctorate nevertheless from the University of Detroit. He also has a master's degree in mental health counseling, and spends Thursday evenings counseling adolescents.

Well-rounded approach

Michael Berman graduated this year from the University of Michigan's dental school, to which he had been accepted while still at West Bloomfield High School. His interim stop, however, was a bachelor's degree at U-M — not in biology or pre-

med, as one might expect, but in English language and literature.

"It taught me how to connect" by making him well-rounded, Michael Berman said. "That's how relationships are made. It's a give and take. I think it's really important to get to know your patients."

Michael Berman had also, he said, loaded up on science classes while an undergraduate and "got a very substantial science education in dental school."

Allen Berman said his early attraction to dentistry was threefold: he liked the idea of helping people with something fundamental to their

lives, he liked the creativity involved and he liked the idea of running his own business.

For his part, Michael Berman said, he was motivated by stories his father told of being gratified by helping patients.

"I realized that I could do that, too. I might like to have that satisfaction," Michael Berman said.

Other family members are also involved in the helping professions, including Julie Berman, Allen's wife, who is a doctor of pharmacology, and one of their daughters, who is studying toward a doctorate in physical therapy.

The Bermans say they play off each other —

both in their more humorous interactions at work and in their professional knowledge. Allen is able to show his son the tried-and-true, or counsel him on how to approach a case, while Michael's more recent formal training was much different from the 1980s schooling Allen received.

Changes in dentistry

"I'm learning from him, too, which is great," Allen Berman said. "He brings a new dimension to the practice, for sure."

Allen Berman also takes continuing dentistry education, he said; materials and technology have vastly improved in the last quarter century.

"What we practice today and what I learned with would've been considered science fiction when he graduated," Michael Berman said.

An example would be a crown, formerly made with several layers of porcelain, and now, with the help of computer-aided design, precisely milled from a single piece, resulting in a crown that fits better, looks better and is stronger.

"It really takes, basically, the human error out of it," Allen Berman said.

For now, Michael Berman works at his father's practice one day a week,

and also puts in time at two other practices in the area. The plan, they said, is for him to pick up experience, learn from different dentists, and join his father full time in two years.

Michael Berman said he's known many of his father's patients, and staff members, since he was small, so that part of learning the practice was easy for him. He also had helped out as an assistant, during summers and breaks, while in college.

"Once I joined the practice, it wasn't, 'Oh, we have a new associate.' It was, 'Oh, Michael, you're here,'" he said.

The Bermans also volunteer time at a free area dental clinic for patients who can't afford dental bills, and Allen Berman has long offered scholarships to college-bound students from the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park high schools.

"Michael and I feel very strongly about giving back," Allen Berman said.

The Bermans' practice is at 9430 South Main, just south of Ann Arbor Road. The phone number is (734) 453-2200 and the website is www.yourplymouthdentist.com.

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PLYMOUTH CHAMBER CHAT

Ladies night

It's time again for Downtown Plymouth's annual Ladies Night Out, set for Thursday, Sept. 27, from 5-9 p.m.

This event is a night for ladies to enjoy an evening on the town with friends, visit the participating stores and enjoy shopping, gifts, samples, prizes and refreshments. Several restaurants will also have special drinks, appetizers and more.

Participating stores this year include: Agio Spa; Basket Kreations; Bella Mia; Bed & Boutique; Candy Trail; Creatopia Pottery Studio; Cupcake Station; Dazzling Daniela; Dearborn Jewelers; Delta Diamond Setters & Jewelers; Eclectic Attic; Genuine Toy Co.; GiGi's Mode; Hands on Leather; Home Sweet Home; Isabel-la's Copper Pot; Kilwin's; Lola ryan; Maggie & Me; Magnolia Fresh Flower Market; Merle Norman; Old World Olive Press; Opndohr; R.S.V.P.; Sharer Design Group; sideways; Simply the Best; Sun & Snow; Sunny J's Lingerie; That's Awesome/Primp and TranquiliTea.

Back by popular demand, Mr. 48170 will again be handing out roses to the first 500 ladies, courtesy of Ribar Floral.

Speed networking

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce speed networking



New digs

Lola ryan, a new women's clothing and accessories store in Plymouth, cut the ribbon on their new location in Westchester Square at 550 Forest Avenue. Pictured are owners Rachel and Ryan Kus along with employees, friends, family and members of the Chamber's Ambassadors Committee. Lola ryan carries various styles of popular pure fashion from designer jeans to beautiful accent pieces.

event takes place 8-9:15 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 4, at the Red Olive Restaurant & Banquet Center, 1051 Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth.

Cost is \$10, and RSVPs must be made by 5 p.m. Monday, Oct. 1.

Speed Networking is like Speed Dating for businesses. With Speed Networking, members will have the opportunity to meet approximately 45-50 businesses in one hour. This structured networking event will allow you to meet most of the people in the room and within two minutes learn about each others companies.

To sign up, call (734) 453-1540 or email teri@plymouthmich.org.

Pumpkin Palooza

The second annual Pumpkin Palooza is back by popular demand on Sunday, Oct. 21 from noon to 3 p.m. in downtown Plymouth.

The event is a Halloween event for children with games, activities, crafts, costume contest, candy stations and lots of fun. The Downtown Retail Group is looking for sponsors, volunteers to run the games and activities or donations to purchase candy and prizes and businesses to enter a Pumpkin Carving Contest.

If you are interested in donating, volunteering or carving, please contact Teri at teri@plymouthmich.org or (734) 453-1540.

IT'S YOUR BUSINESS Q&A



Larry Butterfield and the folks at Dryer Vent Wizard in Canton are raising funds for the Children's Burn Foundation during October's Fire Prevention Month.

Firm solving dryer vent problems

Observer: Tell us about your business, including the types of services and/or products you feature?

Dryer Vent Wizard: We inspect and make recommendations to make your dryer vent safer and your dryer more efficient. Types of services include dryer vent cleaning, dryer vent repair, dryer vent installation and dryer vent alteration.

Observer: How did you come to open your business?

Dryer Vent Wizard: After 24 years in automotive engineering and program management, I decided that I needed a change. I investigated other corporate opportunities, as well as having my own franchise business. I ultimately chose to start up a Dryer Vent Wizard Franchise.

Observer: Why did you choose Canton?

Dryer Vent Wizard: It's where we live, and have raised our family.

Observer: What makes your business unique?

Dryer Vent Wizard: Our expertise in identifying and solving dryer vent problems.

Observer: How has it changed since you opened?

Dryer Vent Wizard: There is much more awareness of the dangers

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of dryer fires than there was five years ago.

Observer: Do you have a funny tidbit or story to share with other business owners?

Dryer Vent Wizard: Well, I've had a live muskrat stuck in a dryer vent line, that was unique. He seemed to be very happy to get out of there, as were the homeowners. In Canton, earlier this year, I found 53 walnuts stored in the dryer exhaust tube, 25 feet from the outside vent cover.

Observer: How has the recent economy affected your business?

Dryer Vent Wizard: We've increased sales every year, but we are well behind where I expected to be in five years. And, I believe the

primary factor has been the poor economy in southeast Michigan. People are watching their expenses very carefully.

Observer: Any advice for other business owners?

Dryer Vent Wizard: I try to keep it simple. Do a good job for a fair price, and satisfy the customer. And, if something works, keep doing it; and if it doesn't work, change it until it does work.

Observer: What's in store for the future of your business?

Dryer Vent Wizard: Keep increasing sales, and educating people, so that we can add employees, and keep the growth going. Making your neighborhood safer, one dryer at a time.

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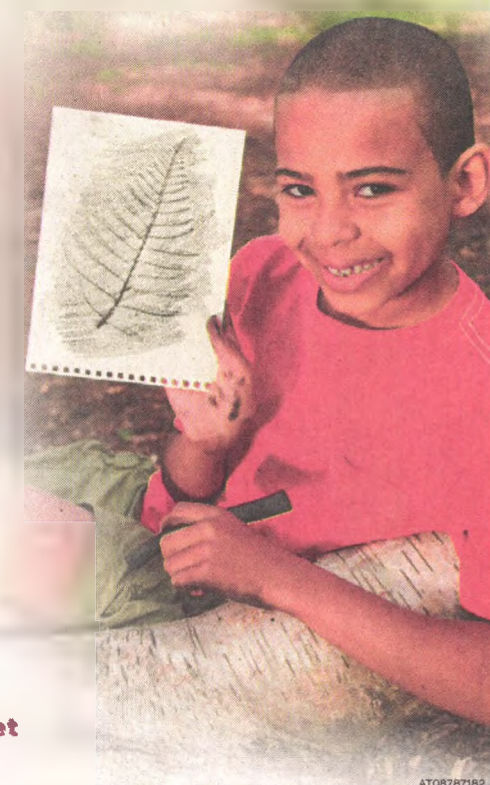
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PLYMOUTH BUSINESS BRIEFS

Board re-election

Attorney Catherine Heise was re-elected as a Council Member on the State Bar of Michigan's Insurance and Indemnity Law Section Board at last week's State Bar of Michigan Annual Convention in Grand Rapids.

Heise, 52, is an attorney in the corporate claims department of Amerisure Insurance Company, where she oversees large exposure losses, coverage issues, and litigation in several states. Prior to her employment with Amerisure, she was a trial attorney in private practice and an in-house counsel.

She also served as a special assistant attorney general in the child support division.

Heise received her bachelor's degree from Wayne State University and her juris doctor with honors from Detroit College of Law. She serves as a defense case evaluator for the Mediation Tribunal Association. This year, she was appointed by Governor Snyder to a four year term on the Board of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery, where she also serves on the Disciplinary Subcommittee.

Business news

From the desk of the folks at the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority:

• Look for Painting Escapes to open on Penniman, in the former Penniman Gallery location. Tony and Genevieve Schmitt's concept will allow customers

to paint in a class setting, with a teacher to help you create a piece of art.

• The new construction on the corner of Ann Arbor Trail and Main St. is expected to be enclosed by winter, according to the owners. The first floor is expected to have a number of eating establishments. A high-tech office is scheduled to make its home on the second level.

• The Christian Science Church is allowing downtown merchants and employees to use their parking lot during the deck reconstruction. There are 100 spaces available on their property, located on Ann Arbor Trail, just west of Harvey St.

Screen Shock-tober

The Penn Theatre hosts its Shocktober Classic Series of films throughout October. On the screen will be:

- Thursday, Oct. 4: *Frankenstein*
- Thursday, Oct. 11: *Ghost & Mr. Chicken*
- Thursday, Oct. 18: *Dracula*
- Thursday, Oct. 25: *Abbott & Costello Meet Frankenstein*

Retiree luncheon

The Detroit Diesel Retiree Club will hold its annual luncheon and business meeting on Thursday, Oct. 18, at the Laurel Manor Banquet & Conference Center in Livonia. Cost to attend the lunch is \$25. For information on the luncheon and pre registration contact Robert Pavol, membership director, at (734) 455-2668 or jrpavol64@prodigy.net, or John Leidlein, president, at (313) 863-8850 or dieseljml@aol.com.

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Seek the truth about ballot proposals

By State Sen. Patrick Colbeck
Guest Columnist

In a world full of access to more information than ever before, it is remarkable the information we most need is often the hardest to find — the truth.



Sen. Patrick Colbeck

The truth was very important to our Founding Fathers:

“We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness...”

Why is the truth hard to find today? Perhaps it is apathy. There are many other pleasures in life to pursue. Why spend precious time dwelling on the search for the truth regarding the issues of the day?

Perhaps it is simply the volume of information. Most of us are inundated with information from email, websites, TV and newspapers.

Perhaps it is confusion. In our 30-second sound-bite world, critical thinking often succumbs to impulsive thinking as people adopt the “truth” that is pushed to them in the most frequent, entertaining and engaging manner.

Many “truth” organizations have popped up to take advantage of our desire for the truth. One thing I know for sure is the more we abdicate our jobs as responsible citizens, the more we grow in dependence upon those who would seek to use this dependence for their own gains. Many organizations are more than willing to fill that job for us. Many of these organizations do not have truth as their primary objective.

Nowhere is the need for truth more evident than in proposed changes to the Michigan Constitution this November. Each of us will be bombarded by media ads marketing one side of the issue or another, but did you know that the marketing has also found its way onto your ballot?

You see, the wording of each proposal to amend the constitution only shows a “summary” of the proposed amendment. These summaries are generally filled with marketing platitudes, since the full text of the amendments does not typically fit within the 100 word constraint of the ballot. The actual wording of each amendment as it would appear in our constitution can be found in the original ballot petitions filed with the State Board of Canvassers. These petitions can be found

on the State Board of Canvassers web page, which is located in an obscure corner of the secretary of state website (www.michigan.gov/sos) under “Elections in Michigan.”

Our governor and attorney general attempted to protect the Michigan Constitution when they filed court papers challenging Proposal 2 on the basis that the truth of its impacts could not be summarized in 100 words or less. These potential impacts are significant and would likely include a \$1.6B tax increase that would push jobs out of our state, not “protect” them. In my opinion, Governor Snyder and Attorney General Schuette were correct to raise concerns over Proposal 2.

You can decide for yourself, however, by reviewing the actual petitions and comparing them to the 100 words or less ballot wording. You now have a choice to make as a citizen. Will you take the advice of the former Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi and “pass the bill” before you see what’s inside, or will you read the bill before casting your vote?

The key to consistently understanding the truth is to go to the source materials. When I vote in the Senate, I make my voting decisions on the basis of the actual bill, not the summaries from legislative analysts. Those summaries are nice to have, but are not what get put into law. Such is the case with the proposal language that will appear on our ballots this November. The summaries are not what are put into law. The original petition wording is what goes into law if the proposal is passed.

There is no substitute for source documents, source videos or source statements. When people are simply talking about information sources rather than pointing you to the source, it should raise concerns as to whether or not their assertions are true. It may take you more time to find and review the source information, but you will sleep much better with your decision.

Sadly, the truth is often controversial. I know that I may be ridiculed and attacked for the simple act of exhorting my fellow citizens to pursue the truth. I take solace, however, from words of wisdom from Mahatma Gandhi:

“First they ignore you, then they ridicule you, then they fight you, then you win.”

When the truth wins, we all win. After all, it is truth that sets us all free.

Patrick Colbeck, R-Canton, is state senator for the 7th District, which includes Canton, Plymouth and Plymouth Township.

Be leery of ‘can’t lose’ investment advice

By Rick Bloom
Guest Columnist

It never ceases to amaze me that people believe they can make quick

money on the market without risk.

As long as I have been in the financial world, I’ve heard people tell me ways to make money in the market risk free. Some of these people are just crooks that are trying to sell someone a fraudulent methodology. Others are just naïve when it comes to investing.

I would love if there was a way to invest in the market risk free; it just doesn’t exist. I bring this up because I recently received an e-mail from a man who wanted my opin-

ion on what he believed was a sure fire way to make money on the market. His strategy dealt with the Dow Jones Industrial Average. His e-mail stated the Dow was changing its composition and because of that there was a unique opportunity for investors.

He was correct that the Dow, which is composed of 30 stocks, recently dropped Kraft from the index and replaced it with United Health. His thought was that since United Health was being added it had to go up and therefore, we should all be buying United Health. Logically, this may make sense; however, in reality the market doesn’t work that way.

My response was that he has no business giving investment advice. My reasoning was that if he would have done some research on the facts, he would have learned that just because a stock is added to the Dow Jones Industrial average doesn’t nec-

essarily mean that it will go up in value.

A perfect example of this is Cisco Systems which was added to the Dow four years ago when it replaced American International Group. At the time Cisco was added, it was selling for \$19.87 a share. Since then Cisco stock has remained flat; recently selling for a little over \$19 a share. Since it’s been added to the Dow, it has lost money.

I would love it if there was a sure thing to invest in with a guarantee that we would make money. Unfortunately, there is no such thing. When it comes to the market, I often see someone who will point to some anecdotal evidence and use that to prove their theory. However, the reality and the facts don’t support the conclusions.

As investors we must be conscious of who we take investment advice from. Just because someone may be intelligent and well-meaning doesn’t

mean you should take investment advice from them. It is amazing to me that someone will take investment advice from someone but they wouldn’t turn around and loan that person \$20 because they would never get it back.

The bottom line is be cautious about advice. One sure way to know the person doesn’t know what they’re talking about is if they tell you the strategy has no risk, and that you can’t lose. That really means that you have no chance of making money and that you will lose.

Investing is serious business. Always be careful who you take investment advice from and it shouldn’t be just any Tom, Dick, or Harry.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. His website is www.bloomassetmanagement.com. If you would like Rick to respond to your questions, please e-mail him at rick@bloomassetmanagement.com.

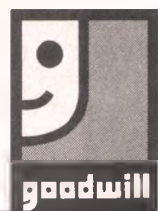


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Livonia man, best friend compete in 'The Amazing Race'

By Karen Smith
Observer Staff Writer

It was — in a word — amazing. That's how Livonia resident Gary Wojnar, 53, described his experience as a contestant on the 21st season of the hit reality TV show, *The Amazing Race*, where 11 two-person teams trek around the world in a competition to win up to \$2 million.

"It was the greatest experience of my life," he said in a telephone interview Monday. "It was such an adventure, honestly, I would do it again in a nanosecond."

Wojnar and best friend Will Chiola, 54, of Dearborn Heights, who substitute teaches in Livonia, are teammates in the 21st season, which premieres at 8 p.m. Sunday on the CBS Television Network.

They couldn't talk about where they went, what they did or whether they won, but a press release said the teams travel through three continents, nine countries and cover more than 25,000 miles, where they're faced with repelling 10 stories in Los Angeles, frying an egg on their heads in Indonesia, working as "rat collectors" in Bangladesh and revisiting one of the race's most infamous roadblocks in the Netherlands.

At every destination, the teams compete in a series of mental and physical challenges with the teams that are the farthest behind gradually being eliminated. The prize is \$1 million. But this season, if the team that wins the first leg of



PHOTO COURTESY OF CBS BROADCASTING INC.

This season's cast from "The Amazing Race" includes Livonia resident Gary Wojnar, far left front row, and best friend Will Chiola of Dearborn Heights, second from left from row. Cast members also include a pair of Chippendales dancers, married monster truckers, a world champion lumberjack, a double amputee professional snowboarder and Josh Kilmer-Purcell and Brent Ridge of the reality TV show "The Fabulous Beekman Boys."

the race also wins the final leg, they will double their prize and win \$2 million instead.

What Wojnar and Chiola could talk about was how they got to be contestants, which was a challenge in and of itself.

Wojnar, a substitute teacher who works primarily at Hilbert Middle School in Redford, started watching *The Amazing Race* during its third season when he caught a glimpse of a contestant repelling down a mountain and "screaming like a banshee."

It wasn't long before he was hooked on *The Amazing Race*, which just won its ninth Emmy Award for best reality series.

'Mutt and Jeff'
During the show's sixth season, Wojnar watched

as a tall woman and a short woman competed together on a team, which gave him the idea that he and Chiola should try out for the show. Wojnar is 6-foot-6, and Chiola is 5-foot-2.

"We do make a funny-looking pair," Wojnar said. "Mutt and Jeff, Jack and the Beanstalk, David and Goliath. We've heard it all, trust me. It doesn't bother me and it doesn't bother Will."

Wojnar and Chiola, who also became a big fan of the show, applied numerous times.

"We figured we had nothing to lose," Wojnar said. "We did funny videos, goofy videos, serious videos, and looking back, we thought, Wow, these are pretty bad. We wouldn't have picked ourselves either."

After getting discouraged and stopping for while, they decided to try again. This time, they tried contacting the show's producer, World Race Productions, directly.

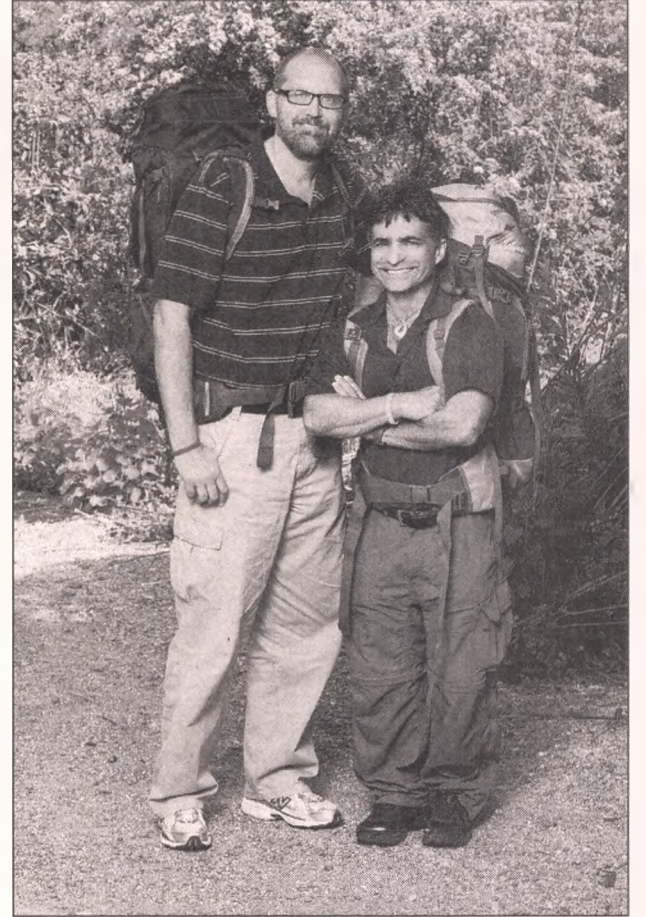
In the process, they discovered that the website name www.worldraceproductions.com was for sale, so they bought it for \$10.

They made another video, where they wore Groucho Marx-type disguises and jokingly said they were holding World Race Productions' name up for ransom. They "threatened" to turn the website into an adult dating site if they didn't pick them to be contestants.

'We blackmailed them'

"We blackmailed them in a way to get their attention," Wojnar said. Within a few weeks, they received a correspondence saying, "We didn't know whether to be afraid of you or admire you for what you did to get our attention," Wojnar said.

After over-the-phone interviews and then a



Longtime best friends Gary Wojnar, left, and Will Chiola said producers liked their height difference and that they bicker like an "old married couple."

series of in-person interviews in California, psychological tests and physicals, they were finally approved to be contestants.

Chiola said he thinks producers liked their height difference and that they are such ardent fans of the show.

Wojnar said their long-time friendship was a plus. "Being that we've known each other for 30 years, we have each other's back. It's our rapport that they liked. People say we bicker at time like an old married couple."

Says Chiola: "He likes to yell at me." In a video on CBS' website, Wojnar and Chiola said they have different strengths.

Wojnar is intelligent, can fix or build anything, figure out clues and is good with a map, Chiola said.

Chiola has endurance and no fear. A run-

ner who's been in about 20 marathons, he's very competitive and never gives up, Wojnar said.

Wojnar and Chiola said the experience changed them for the better. Both said they learned to appreciate the opportunities and advantages they have living in the United States, and Wojnar said it helped him to overcome his fear of flying.

And, they said it helped them to be better teachers.

"With the different situations I've experienced during the race, it makes it easy going to a classroom," Chiola said.

The experience also gave them a real-life lesson they can share with their students: "If you have a goal, keep trying," Wojnar said. "The biggest failure in life is the failure to try; if you fail to try, you're going to fail."

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH

Notice of Public Review Period of Proposed City of Plymouth Recreation Master Plan

Notice is Hereby Given that copies of the proposed City of Plymouth Recreation Master Plan 2012-2016 will be available for public review at the City of Plymouth City Hall and Plymouth Cultural Center during business hours as well as on-line at the City of Plymouth website at www.ci.plymouth.mi.us.

The Public Review period of the proposed Recreation Master Plan will be from October 1, 2012 thru Oct. 31, 2012 as required by the State of Michigan - Department of Natural Resource and Environment.

A public hearing will then be held after the month of public review has taken place. The public hearing date will posted after Oct. 31, 2012 as also required by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment.

A Recreation Master Plan assists the City in identifying recreation needs within the community. The plan will serve as a guide for maintaining, improving and expanding facilities. While a Recreation Master Plan assists the community in determining its goals and needs, if approved by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment (DNRE), it also qualifies the community for recreation grants which are administered through the DNRE Grants Management Administration Section. The proposed Master Plan includes a community description, an overview of the administrative structure of the City, an inventory of existing facilities, a basis for action and finally recommended goals, guidelines and possible / proposed capital improvements for the next five years.

The future public hearing is intended to provide an opportunity for interested citizens to express their opinions regarding the aspects of the proposed Recreation Master Plan.

LINDA LANGMESSER
CITY CLERK

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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 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
Engineering Division, Real Estate
Attention: Sandra Martin
400 Monroe Street, 3rd Floor, Detroit, Michigan 48226
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will sell, to satisfy lien of the owner, at public sale by competitive bidding on Monday, October 15, 2012 at 9:30 A.M. at the Extra Space Storage facility located at:

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GARDEN CITY POLICE AUCTION

THESE VEHICLES HAVE BEEN DEEMED ABANDONED AND WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION. THE AUCTION WILL BE ON TUESDAY OCTOBER 2ND AT 11:00 am. THE AUCTION WILL BE HELD AT 6375 HIX, WESTLAND MI 48185. THE VEHICLES WILL BE SOLD AS IS, THE STARTING IS FOR TOWING AND STORAGE.

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Information offered on charter amendment

Among the items voters will consider on a long ballot in the upcoming election will be five proposed amendments to the Wayne County Home Rule Charter.

"The county charter sets the framework of Wayne County government, just as the state Constitution directs Michigan government, like a rule book for how the government does its business," said Wayne County Commission-

er Kevin McNamara, D-Canton.

McNamara said the county commission is providing detailed information on each of the proposed amendments on the commission's website, waynecounty.com/commission. A link on that page will direct voters to a full explanation of each amendment, including a summary, ballot language and showing how the charter section would read if the amendment is

approved.

Most counties in Michigan are set up under general state law, but state also allows counties to establish their own home rule charters, created by an elected charter commission and voted on by the people.

Wayne County was the first to become a charter county, in 1981, and was the only one until Macomb adopted a charter in 2009. In a charter county, executive pow-

ers are removed from the board of commissioners and given to an elected chief executive officer.

"The charter came from the people, and only the people can change it," said Wayne County Commission Chairman Gary Woronchak, who established and chaired a special committee this year to study the charter and suggest revisions. From that committee's work, the Wayne County Commission voted to ask vot-

ers on Nov. 6 to consider amendments that would:

- Change the membership of the county retirement system's governing board by adding the county treasurer as a ninth member, give airport employees full rights as members of the retirement system, and allow all elected officials who are automatic members to designate a representative on the board.
- Allow the governor to remove the county's

elected chief executive officer in the same manner and with the same due process under which he can already remove other countywide elected officials.

• Give the Wayne County Commission the authority to set the format of the county budget (line-item or lump-sum).

• Give the Wayne County Commission the authority to approve compensation for all county employees.



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OUR VIEWS

Taj for Congress

Canton trustee best choice for new 11th District

Voters in the 11th Congressional District will elect a successor Nov. 6 to five-term Republican Congressman Thaddeus McCotter, who resigned amid allegations his staff submitted fraudulent nominating petitions for his re-election campaign.

We recommend Syed Taj, a medical doctor and a member of the Canton Township Board of Trustees.

Taj is smart, moderate and represents the views of many voters in the recently redrawn 11th District, which includes the western Wayne County communities of Livonia, Canton, Plymouth and Plymouth Township, Northville and Northville Township, as well as several Oakland County communities including Novi, Novi Township, Milford, South Lyon, Lyon Township, Farmington, Birmingham and Clawson.

As the only Democrat on the Canton board, Taj works cooperatively with the six other Republican members despite their political differences to reach good decisions for the entire community.

He's knowledgeable and thoughtful, and he has earned the respect of his colleagues and residents alike.

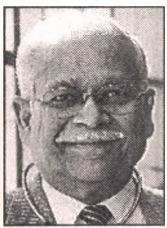
Congress needs lawmakers like Taj who are good listeners and are willing to reach across the aisle to find compromise.

Reducing hyperpartisanship in Washington is one of his priorities, as are aiding the economic recovery, supporting growing industries in Michigan, improving the health care system and the Affordable Care Act, and supporting veterans.

He is the quintessential American success story, an immigrant who worked hard to achieve success and has passed the desire to obtain an education onto his children.

Taj supports increased border patrols to stop illegal immigration, but he wants to improve the immigration process so that foreigners who want to work professionally in this country can get here, just like he did.

We think Taj is a solid choice for the 11th District, comprised mostly of highly-educated voters who, like him, value level-headed thinking, compromise and cooperation to move the country forward.

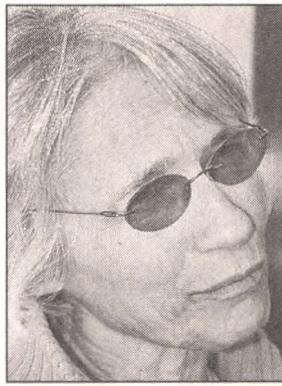


Taj

COMMUNITY VOICE

How do you think the Detroit Lions will do this season?

We asked this question at the Plymouth District Library.



"Well. At least medium well."

Kiki Farrow
Plymouth



"Is 10 and six fair? ... I'm going to guess in a positive way for them."

Michelle Matson
Dexter



"I'm not sure. I don't really follow football. ... I become a football widow."

Nancy Fehlig
Plymouth Township



"I think they'll do OK. ... I think they'll make the first round of the playoffs."

Christian Gietzen
Plymouth Township

LETTERS

Kiwanis thanks

The Pancake Breakfast was another great success due to the support of the Plymouth community.

Once again the community attended the Plymouth Kiwanis Foundation annual Pancake Breakfast during the Plymouth Fall Festival on Saturday, Sept. 8. The area businesses in the community also helped with their generous donations that added to its success.

We were able to smoothly get thousands served quickly. It is all in good fun and the true focus is to raise funds to support Mott Children's Hospital, college scholarships, Kids Against Hunger and many other community causes. It is one of our major fundraising efforts each year which assist us in supporting many civic causes in our community.

The needs of the various charities we support have increased in recent years. We are grateful to those in our community who assist us in funding these needs.

Mark Regal
Steve Rowley
Plymouth Kiwanis
Foundation
annual Pancake Breakfast
chairs

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Deadline: Letters should be received by 9 a.m. Monday to be published in the Thursday edition.

Baseless attack

I'm not sure what it takes to be a guest columnist at the *O&E*. I was very frustrated when I read George Belvitch's remarks against Dr. Hughes. There was no context given, just a statement about a "vanilla flavored" comment Dr. Hughes made, and then a not-very-well-written article attacking Dr. Hughes' leadership and then words claiming Dr. Hughes is not in touch with the classroom and words inferring that he should be.

I would hope that the *O&E* would vet the guest columnists before they are published to make sure that they write an article that is logical and one that backs up an argument with facts. Does Mr. Belvitch know that Dr. Hughes is not aware what is going on in the classroom? Perhaps he is enough aware considering that he holds the superintendent job, not the job of a teacher, principal, or head of elementary education.

What would PCCS parents think if Dr. Hughes was always in the schools and not taking care of the bigger and/or strategic issues of the district? PCCS is the third largest school district in Michigan so there are many "big picture" issues that fall to Dr. Hughes. Mr. Belvitch was never superintendent so I don't think because he has experience in elementary education gives him the right to attack Dr. Hughes in the baseless way he did.

There are always going to be those who speak out against leadership as that comes with the territory of leading an organization. I would just hope that the *Observer* would be more careful in the future in selecting their guest columnists.

Leigh Schamp
Plymouth

Search process off to smooth beginning

The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Board of Education has many big decisions to make this year but there may be no bigger decision than the choice of a replacement for Superintendent Jeremy Hughes.

Without a crystal ball, there's no predicting how it'll all work out — the last search resulted in a superintendent whose contract wasn't renewed and who wasn't even sitting in the seat at the end of it — but the board seems off to a good start. Using a timeline originally suggested by Trustee Mark Horvath, board members are marching toward what they hope is a successful conclusion this time.

They started with the search committee — Horvath, Judy Mardigian and board president John Barrett — rounding up nine search firms to bid on the job, and then narrowing it to four. The full board listened to proposals from those four at a special meeting Monday, eliminated one of them and got to work collecting data and references on the other three. A decision is expected Wednesday.

Assuming the remaining three can deliver on their promises, the board should have a list of candidates before the holidays, putting them in prime position to meet their goal of having a new superintendent hired by March.

What we really like is the focus the board is putting on community involvement. Many of their questions of the four search firm finalists centered around how such involvement would be implemented. Challenges remain, but to this point, the process is off to an efficient, and encouraging, beginning.

GUEST COLUMN

Veterans may review VA benefit information on foundation website

By Joan Noricks
Guest Columnist

Believe it or not, Michigan ranks last among the states in its dollar receipt of Veterans Affairs benefits. Yet Michigan is home to more than 704,000 veterans, making it the 11th largest veteran population in the United States.



Joan Noricks

Clearly, there's a significant gap between the size of our veterans' population and the dollar amount of benefits individual veterans receive. Michigan is below what is called the median Geographic Distribution of VA expenditures (GDX), which is \$4,703. Michigan's GDX is \$3,409. If Michigan could increase its distribution of benefit dollars to that median level, the state would reap an additional \$1.03 billion, which just might be a help to our economy.

The Canton Community Foundation staff and board are still in awe at the unprecedented attendance at our recent third annual Veterans' Summit Sept. 13. Following presentations on specific VA benefits, veterans had plenty of questions and comments.

As we watched veterans pour into the Laurel Manor Banquet & Conference Center for the sum-

mit, many armed with their military paperwork, we fully realized that our decision to host the annual forum is on the right track.

Far too many veterans are unaware of their potential benefits and how to obtain them. On the other hand, we heard plenty of frustrated veterans who, in some cases, have spent years trying to get benefits.

One of the more heart-rending stories we heard was from Vietnam veteran Al Collins and his wife, Traudy, of Canton. Traudy is thinking ahead to when they will need help because Al has Parkinson's disease, which is believed to be due, at least in part, to his war time exposure to Agent Orange. Al is also recovering from brain surgery due to his illness.

"We found out he can get a pension and he'll get some help when he gets to the nursing home stage," Traudy Collins said.

The story is sad, but the good news is that the Collinses may indeed receive help. That's what the Veterans' Summit is all about. And to make it even better this year, U.S. Attorney Barbara McQuade stopped by to talk to veterans about their exclusive civil rights. Veterans and military personnel are protected for their employment, financial issues, voting rights and disabilities.

It seems some employers are denying returning soldiers their jobs, seniority and potential pay increases. In other cases, soldiers are returning to find banks are

foreclosing on their homes or failing to reduce credit card interest to the mandated 6 percent. Yet another problem is communities that are totally neglecting to provide absentee ballots or failing to send them in a timely manner to soldiers deployed overseas, McQuade said.

No doubt veterans who attend the summit are likely overloaded with information they receive about their benefits. That's why the Canton Community Foundation has posted the informative summit presentations, including McQuade's, on our website at www.cantonfoundation.org.

The foundation will leave the presentations on the website for review. Also posted is a directory of benefit representatives and their contact information for veteran use. Veterans are encouraged to review the presentations, which include basic benefit eligibility, nonservice connected pensions, service-connected disability and other information.

Knowing what benefits are available and how to determine eligibility is powerful knowledge. As McQuade stated several times: "It seems the very least we can do when you come home is to ensure all of your rights are enforced to the full extent of the law. You have protected us and we will protect you."

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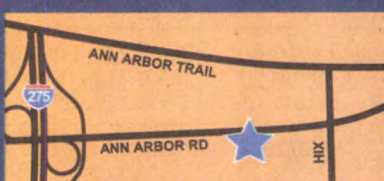
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BOYS SOCCER

Rocks rally for huge win

By Brad Emons
Observer Staff Writer

Down a goal at half-time and first place at stake in the KLAA's Central Division boys soccer race, Salem found itself with its back to the wall in Tuesday night's showdown at Livonia Stevenson.

"I like to think it's adjustments, but in reality the effort was much, much better," said Salem coach Ed McCarthy, whose team rallied for a 2-1 victory. "We went to a more attacking formation, but we had to because we were down a goal. There were no magical or tactical adjustments. We simply played better as a group. The backline was better, but the attack was much better. The effort was much improved. It's really that simple."

The Rocks, now 10-2-3 overall and 5-1-1 in the KLAA Central (16 points) came out and pressured Stevenson from the start of the second half and got the equalizer with only 24:18 left when Connor Cole set up his brother Brady Cole on a nifty play.

And only 2:07 later, the Rocks' David Schroeder capitalized on a sideline throw-in initiated by Connor Cole and drilled a low shot past Stevenson goalkeeper Zack Verant after it caromed off one of his own defenders.

That gave Salem a one-goal cushion, which it would not relinquish as the Rocks avenged a 1-0 setback back on Sept. 6 to the Spartans, who

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Inseparable on and off the golf course are (from left) Plymouth's Kelsey and Sydney Murphy, key members of the Wildcats' state-ranked team.



The Murphy sisters often work together on improving their golf game. Here, Kelsey (left) watches a tee shot while Sydney gets ready to hit the ball at Fox Hills' Golden Fox driving range.

Tee for two

Plymouth's Murphy sisters enjoy competition, camaraderie

By Tim Smith
Observer Staff Writer

Sibling rivalry has never been this sweet.

Spend any time around Kelsey and Sydney Murphy and you'll see the Plymouth varsity girls golfers are not putting on an act.

They are buddies who like to do the same things, enjoy friendly competition between themselves and are driven to lead the Wildcats to a state championship this fall.

"I'm lucky she's my best friend," said Kelsey, adding that without that bond it might not be so rewarding being on a varsity team with her younger sister.

Kelsey (with averages of 74 for 18 holes and 37

for nine) continues to be one of the top prep golfers in Michigan — likely to again be an all-state selection her senior season.

Meanwhile, Sydney is becoming a top-notch performer in her own right as a sophomore in her second varsity year.

In fact, the younger Murphy picked up some serious cred when she outperformed Kelsey for the first time ever in August at a high school tournament.

Up to par

Sydney's round of 74 at Hudson Mills in Dexter earned her a share of medalist honors while Kelsey finished with a 77. For Sydney, that per-

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Mercy sticks rival Blazers

Goals by Madeline McClain (penalty stroke) and Sarah Hoffman enabled Farmington Hills Mercy to pull out a 2-1 girls field hockey victory Tuesday over visiting Livonia Ladywood.

Goalie Megan Bowers made four saves as the Marlins evened their overall record at 4-4 and 2-4 the division.

Senior Jaclyn Snyder tallied the Blazers' lone goal off an assist from senior Lauren Kozlowski.

Senior Stephanie Mackley made eight saves as Ladywood fell to 5-3-2 overall and 2-2-2 in the division.

Crusader 'B' golfers 6th

Madonna University sent its two teams to the Bill Bockwitz Intercollegiate men's golf tournament Friday and Saturday with the 'B' squad earning a sixth-place finish with a two-day total of 307-316-623 at the Cascade Golf Course in Jackson.

Huntington College (Ind.) took first by 17 strokes with a 590 total with Spring Arbor (607), Northwestern Ohio (612), Siena Heights (616), Cornerstone (620) rounding out the top five in the 11-school field.

Huntington's Mickey Belt shot 71-72-143 to take individual medalist honors.

Drew Mossoian (Livonia Stevenson) was MU's top overall finisher in sixth with a 75-74-149.

Other 'B' team finishers included Dave Goad (79-75-154), tied for 10th; Billy Teer (79-78-157), tied for 22nd; Nick Dackiw (84-78-161), tied for 43rd; and Livonia Churchill's Kevin Robinson (85-86-171), tied for 62nd.

Salem swims past Canton



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Canton's Claire Green finished second in the 200-yard freestyle Tuesday night.



Salem freshman Linda Zhang swims to a first-place finish in the 200-yard individual medley Tuesday night.

By Tim Smith
Observer Staff Writer

Chuck Olson impressed upon his Salem varsity girls swimming and diving team how important this week is and the Rocks passed the first test with flying colors.

Tuesday night in a KLAA crossover dual meet at the Salem High School natatorium, the Rocks earned a 100-85 victory over Canton. The next step is Thursday's KLAA Central Division matchup against Novi with Northville on the docket for next Tuesday.

"Any time anybody in the Park is competing against one another there's going to be a lot of enthusiasm," Olson said. "... I'm real pleased with the way we swam tonight. I moved a lot of the girls around into different events.

"I think it worked out well for us and it's always nice to get the win. Canton's got a lot of talent over there."

His Canton counterpart, Ed Weber, said the Rocks "put together a great meet against us. We always compete well with the blue team on the other side of the creek. We always look forward to this date on the calendar."

Getting a read

Weber, like Olson, said the team is getting a read on how it stacks up against top competitors.

"This whole week," Weber

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Belleville goaltender Malcolm Subban turns aside a shot by Garrett Meurs (No. 16) of the Plymouth Whalers during Saturday night's OHL contest at Compuware Arena.

Whalers run out of gas

By Tim Smith
Observer Staff Writer

OHL OPENER

After a long bus ride home from Sault Ste. Marie, there was only so much gas left in the tank when the Plymouth Whalers hit the Compuware Arena ice for Saturday's home opener against Belleville.

Plymouth came out with plenty of energy, building a 2-0 lead on goals by Stefan Noesen and rookie Ryan Hartman before the game was nine minutes old.

But the Whalers could not put the puck behind Bulls goaltender Malcolm Subban (33 saves) the rest of the way and lost 3-2 in a shootout.

"We got a little tired and sluggish in the third, we certainly made a lot of mistakes," Plymouth head coach Mike Vellucci said. "But overall it was a pretty good game."

Vellucci added that the long

return from the Soo — where the Whalers lost 6-5 in overtime Friday night in the season opener — played a role in how the Bulls gathered momentum beginning when Austin Brassard chipped a shot past Plymouth goalie Matt Mahalak (28 saves) with 5:15 left in the first.

"We got in at 4 o'clock this morning," Vellucci noted. "So the guys were tired. And we were down numbers once we lost (Connor) Sills" to a game misconduct in the second frame.

Many in the opening-night crowd of 2,046 were still settling down into their seats when the Whalers got on the board.

Forward Alex Aleardi of Farmington Hills went end-to-end, circling the Belleville

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Kelsey Murphy (left) watches while younger sister Sydney practices a putt recently at Fox Hills in Plymouth.

Wildcats defeat upstart Chiefs

By Tim Smith
Observer Staff Writer

Plymouth is undeniably one of the contenders for a Division 1 state championship this season.

But the Wildcats were given stiff competition from Canton Friday afternoon at Fox Hills Golf & Banquet Center, ultimately earning a 168-186 victory in a KLAAs South Division dual match.

As an example of that, one player from each team shared medalist honors. Plymouth senior Kelsey Murphy and Canton junior Kelsey McDougall each registered even-par 36s.

"It was a great match versus Canton," noted Plymouth head coach Dan Young, whose team is 7-0 in the KLAAs South. "We are pleased to play well and win."

Meanwhile, Chiefs head coach Tom Alles, whose squad followed up Tuesday with a 191-203 win over division opponent Livonia Churchill to improve to 5-2, said he was "encouraged with how the girls are playing, they've been very consistent which is what you always look for."

Alles said the team is improving at the right time. The KLAAs meet is next week with the D1 regionals the subsequent



Finishing a putt Friday afternoon at Fox Hills is Canton junior Rachel Pisano.

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week.

"We were close to our average," said Alles, about the matchup against Plymouth. "The girls I thought played well. Katie Adams has been playing well and Rachel Pisano has been playing well."

"We're shooting very well going into the post-season."

Pisano and Adams tallied scores of 50 and 51, respectively, against Canton. Contributing a score of 49 was Chloe Luyet.

For the Wildcats, senior

Sarah Thompson posted a 43 while Katie Chipman (44) and Kayla Whatley (45) also helped the cause.

CANTON 191 LIVONIA CHURCHILL 203
Sept. 25 at Whisp. Willows
Canton scorers: Kelsey McDougall, 44; Chloe Luyet, 47; Rachel Pisano, 48; Katie Adams, 52; Madelyn Mans, 54; Alyce Krumm, 57.

Churchill scorers: Maggie McGowan, 43 (medalist); Jackie Burdette, 47; Claire Rose, 55; Maddie Spooner, 58; Taylor Cutting, 62; Katie Shereda, 63.

Dual match records: Canton, 5-2 overall, 5-2 KLAAs South Division; Churchill, 3-5 overall, 3-4 KLAAs South.

MURPHYS

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formance made her realize she no longer was the "third wheel" tagging along on the course with her older sister and her friends.

"I always pretty much grew up in their shadow with them always being better than me," Sydney explained. "And I always felt I was the one always holding (them) up and not as good as them."

"But now I finally feel like, this summer and for years to come that I'm actually as good as them and I can compete with them."

Hard work over the summer was one reason for Sydney's improvement, but she also realized something else.

"I just kind of realized that I want to help my sister win states," Sydney said. "That would be a huge thing, to win states together."

"And just realizing she's going to go off (graduate, etc.) so just kind of enjoy our summer together."

Happy together

Wanting to share things is in the Murphy family DNA and applies to the teen golfers who are two years apart but could be mistaken for twins.

The girls don't come across as rivals, even on the golf course. While each might be trying to top the other on the scorecard, it is evident they have heartfelt affection for each other, respect for family values and dedication to the sport they love to play.

For those things, Kelsey and Sydney give a shout out to their 80-year-old grandma Irma Murphy, apparently the catalyst for getting them serious about taking up golf in the first place.

"My grandma's the main reason we both actually started golfing," Kelsey noted. "Because we wanted to go out and play golf with her. But

MURPHY'S LAW

Dynamic duo: Kelsey, 17, is a senior all-stater in her fourth season with the Plymouth varsity girls golf team. Her younger sister, 15-year-old Sydney, is a sophomore in her second year with the Wildcats. Both live in Plymouth with parents Ruth and Tim and are part of a golf-loving family.

Kelsey: She averages 74 strokes for 18 holes, 37 for nine, holds a 4.0 grade point average and has verbally committed to play golf at Eastern Michigan University. At EMU, she intends to pursue a career as a nurse anesthetist.

Sydney: Owner of a 3.8 GPA, she is registering scores of 43 per nine and 81 per 18. Sydney intends to follow in her sister's golf shoes after high school and play golf at EMU.

Family links: The sisters said they were inspired to take up golf by their grandma, 80-year-old Irma Murphy, who still regularly golfs.

my parents weren't going to let us go on the course with her until we got lessons. "Once we started getting lessons we fell in love with it from there."

She said a tip of the golf visor also goes to their parents, too, because "they've definitely been some of our biggest supporters. They help us out in any way possible and we're really appreciative of that."

As for Irma, who took up golf after her retirement, she still is a regular on courses in Michigan and, during the winter months, Florida.

Irma also knows just how accomplished Kelsey and Sydney already are as high school golfers.

"She's extremely proud of us and she tries to make it to as many tournaments as possible," Kelsey continued. "When

we do go to Florida, we try to get in as many rounds of golf with her as possible.

"She is my hero. She's great. She's probably the only golfer I've see that plays four times a week without hitting a single range ball in between."

Role model

By the same token, Kelsey could be Sydney's hero.

She emulates Kelsey so much that she envisions going to Eastern Michigan University to play college golf with her sister again.

"I want to play golf at Eastern Michigan," said Sydney before practicing with her sister last week at Fox Hills. "Just because I'd be able to play alongside my sister again and play for a coach who I highly respect (Sandy Wagner)."

The epitome of "two peas in a pod," the sisters drove together to the recent practice.

They carry themselves with the same quiet grace and professionalism. They bounce ideas of each other to help shore up any problem areas.

As one example of the latter, Kelsey's advice on turning the page after a disappointing shot is paying dividends.

"I used to get really frustrated out there and I'd just mess up my game," Sydney said. "I know once I started just kind of working on the next shot I really improved."

Yet being on the same wave length is nothing new for the girls, who from basketball to hockey to golf have taken on identical interests their entire lives.

"For about five years now we've been playing together," Kelsey said. "We do the summer tournaments where it's all individual stuff, like the Adams (Golf Pro Tour Series), the GAMS, events like those."

"So we're always cheering each other on. And with high school it's all about the team."

With Kelsey and Sydney Murphy, it's about family, too.

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noted. "We've competed with Plymouth (last Thursday) and Salem (and that) has really told us where we're at and it will start to give us some guidelines on how we'll approach the second half trying to get ready for conference meet and state meet."

Olson said the Rocks (3-1 overall) continue to be led by senior co-captains Abby Aumiller, Jocey Lamoureux and Maddie Gorman. "They do a real nice job."

Aumiller and Gorman were part of two winning relays and Aumiller also captured the 100-yard butterfly (1:03.18).

Having outstanding freshman twin sisters Linda and Lisa Zhang also is paying dividends. "They just keep excelling," Olson added.

Each shared two relay victories and combined to win four individual events. Linda won the 200 IM (2:11.69) and 100 free (55.48) while Lisa placed first in the 50 free (25.37) and 100 breaststroke (1:10.53).

Due for divers

Salem's other individual win came in the 200



Salem's Maddie Gorman competes during the 200-yard freestyle during Tuesday night's dual meet against Canton.

free, with Julia Suriano finishing in 2:01.75. She also was part of one relay victory.

The Chiefs (2-1 overall) only managed three event victories. Those included Claire Green in the 500-meter freestyle (5:21.19), Melissa Green in diving (with 167.85 points) and Caitlin Orr in the 100 backstroke (1:04.11).

Weber cited Melissa Green's performance as well as Nicole Lasecki's (third, 132.90; Salem's Bridget Maul was second with 142.05).

"You're on the swimming and diving team, but with swimming being 11 of the events and diving having one of the events, diving never quite gets all the high-lights that it sometimes deserves," Weber said. "These last two weeks, the divers have done a

great job and we could not have been as competitive without them."

DUAL MEET RESULTS SALEM 100 CANTON 85

Sept. 25 at Salem
200-yard medley relay:
1. Salem (Abby Aumiller, Lisa Zhang, Annie Patterson, Stephanie Solterman), 1:56.29;
2. Canton (Emily Meier, Hannah Jenkins, Delaney Adams, Emily Pettit), 1:59.18; 3. Canton (Caitlin Orr, Abby Madison, Rachel Barszcz, Mackenzie Dugas), 2:04.69.

200 freestyle: 1. Julia Suriano (S), 2:01.75; 2. Claire Green (C), 2:04.44; 3. Madeline Madison (C), 2:07.76; 4. Maddie Gorman (S), 2:05.39; 5. Patricia Freitag (S), 2:07.73.

100 individual medley: 1. Linda Zhang (S), 2:11.69; 2. Adams (C), 2:18.28; 3. Orr (C), 1:04.72; 4. Dugas (C), 2:24.01; 5. Patterson (S), 2:25.25.

50 freestyle: 1. Lisa Zhang (S), 25.37; 2. Destinee Barmore-Hicks (C), 25.45; 3. Meier (C), 26.95; 4. A. Madison (C), 27.34; 5. Solterman (S), 27.60.

1-meter diving: 1. Melissa Green (C), 167.85 points; 2. Bridget Maul (S), 142.05; 3. Nicole Lasecki (C), 132.90; 4. Adelaida Jepperson (S), 123.45.

100 butterfly: 1. Aumiller (S), 1:03.18; 2. Patterson (S), 1:04.72; 3. Jenkins (C), 1:05.47; 4. Andrea Ringer (S), 1:08.28; 5. Brenna Wayne (C), 1:09.31.

100 freestyle: 1. Linda Zhang (S), 55.48; 2. Barmore-Hicks (C), 57.00; 3. Gorman (S), 58.01; 4. Meier (C), 58.63; 5. A. Madison (C), 1:00.16.

500 freestyle: 1. C. Green (C), 5:21.19; 2. Aumiller (S), 5:26.19; 3. Suriano (S), 5:29.23; 4. M. Madison (C), 5:38.41; 5. Christine Pray (C), 5:40.24.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Salem (Linda Zhang, Lisa Zhang, Maddie Gorman, Suriano), 1:43.66; 2. Canton (Meier, Adams, Jenkins, Barmore-Hicks), 1:44.42; 3. Canton (Barszcz, A. Madison, M. Madison, C. Green), 1:51.61.

100 backstroke: 1. Orr (C), 1:04.11; 2. Freitag (S), 1:05.40; 3. Solterman (S), 1:06.94; 4. Dugas (C), 1:08.02; 5. McKenzie Maurice (C), 1:12.06.

100 breaststroke: 1. Lisa Zhang (S), 1:10.53; 2. Adams (C), 1:13.93; 3. Jenkins (C), 1:14.02; 4. Hannah Pollard (S), 1:21.32; 5. Kristy Rupp (S), 1:22.59.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Salem (Suriano, Linda Zhang, Aumiller, Gorman), 3:48.04; 2. Canton (M. Madison, C. Green, Orr, Barmore-Hicks), 3:55.14; 3. Salem (Patterson, Claire Amin, Freitag, Solterman), 4:03.88.

Salem's dual meet record: 3-1 overall; Canton's dual meet record: 2-1 overall.

Warriors' ground game leads way

By Brad Emons
Observer Staff Writer

Nick Andrzejewski has become quite a find for the Lutheran High Westland football team.

The 5-foot-10, 170-pound refugee from the soccer team rushed for 204 yards and scored three touchdowns Saturday as the host Warriors turned back Southfield Christian, 28-14, in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference game.

Andrzejewski averaged 14 yards per carry and caught a pair of TD passes from senior quarterback Jacob Richter as Lutheran Westland improved to 2-3 overall and 1-2 in the MIAC.

Meanwhile, Richter added 143 yards on 16 carries and ran for a TD, while Martin Kemp added 115 yards on 25

PREP GRID PICKS

Week 6 Friday, Sept. 28	Wright	Smith	O'Meara	Emons
Lathrup (1-4, 0-4) at Farm. Harrison (3-2, 2-2), 5:30 p.m.	Harrison	Harrison	Harrison	Harrison
Wayne (0-5, 0-3) at Plymouth (4-1, 2-1), 6:30 p.m.	Plymouth	Plymouth	Plymouth	Plymouth
John Glenn (0-5, 0-3) at Churchill (5-0, 3-0), 7 p.m.	Churchill	Churchill	Churchill	Churchill
Canton (3-2, 2-1) at Franklin (2-3, 2-1), 7 p.m.	Canton	Canton	Canton	Canton
Novi (1-4, 1-2) at Stevenson (4-1, 2-1), 7 p.m.	Stevenson	Stevenson	Stevenson	Stevenson
Clarenceville (3-2) at Riverview Richard (0-5), 7 p.m.	Clarenceville	Clarenceville	Clarenceville	Clarenceville
Luth. Westland (2-3, 1-2) at Oak. Christian (1-4, 0-3), 7 p.m.	Westland	Westland	Westland	Westland
Robichaud (5-0, 3-0) at Thurston (4-1, 3-0), 7 p.m.	Thurston	Robichaud	Robichaud	Robichaud
Redford Union (2-3, 1-2) at Crestwood (0-5, 0-3), 7 p.m.	Union	Union	Crestwood	Crestwood
South Lyon (2-3, 0-3) at Salem (4-1, 2-1), 7 p.m.	Salem	Salem	Salem	Salem
Rochester Adams (1-4, 1-3) at Farmington (4-1, 3-1), 7 p.m.	Farmington	Farmington	Farmington	Farmington
North Farmington (2-3, 1-3) at Oak Park (5-0, 4-0), 7 p.m.	Oak Park	Oak Park	Oak Park	Oak Park
Last week	6-5	3-8	6-5	8-3
Overall	38-25	42-21	43-20	44-19

attempts.

"For a guy who never played football he's done pretty well," Lutheran Westland coach Paul Guse said of Andrzejewski. "And Richter has great vision, a tough kid who weighs only 150 pounds."

After a scoreless opening quarter, Richter scrambled on a broken

play and threw across the opposite end of the end zone to Andrzejewski for a 20-yard TD pass to give the Warriors a 7-0 half-time lead (following the first of four Andrzejewski extra points).

In the third period, Richter scored on a 34-yard TD run set up by Andrzejewski's 34-yard

run to make it 14-0.

But the Eagles (1-4, 1-2) got on the board when Jonathan Springer connected with Harding Fears on a 32-yard scoring pass. (Ryan Hanson, son of Detroit Lions kicker Jason Hanson, converted the PAT.)

Later in the third, Lutheran Westland went

up against by two scores on Andrzejewski's 45-yard TD run to cap a six-play, 75-yard drive.

Southfield Christian's Justin Pritchett answered with a 6-yard TD run early in the fourth.

But the Warriors put the game away with six minutes remaining on Richter's 16-yard scoring pass

to Andrzejewski, a drive that covered 88 yards in 10 plays.

The Warriors outgained Southfield Christian by a nearly two-to-one margin in total yards, 501-257. They also had 20 first downs to the Eagles' 10.

Defensively, Greg Klein finished with a team-high 10 tackles along with Jacob Davenport. Four of Klein's tackles were recorded as sacks.

"It was a good move for us moving him from line-backer-safety to defensive end," Guse said. "It's simple, just get the quarterback and shut down the edge."

The Eagles had 108 yards rushing, while Springer was 9-of-21 passing for 149 yards and one interception (by the Warriors' P.J. Guse).

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Salem's varsity boys cross country team placed fourth at Saturday's Jackson Invitational. Pictured (from left) are Riley Duxtader, Steve McEvilly, Chaz Jeffress, Michael Karizat, Noah Engerer, Donovan Drouillard and Alex Creekmore.

McEvilly sets pace for Salem

Spearheaded by senior Steve McEvilly, Salem's varsity boys cross country team finished fourth out of 26 teams Saturday at the prestigious Jackson Invitational.

McEvilly ran a new lifetime best of 16:09 to come in ninth overall, good for 10th in Salem history.

Also medaling was senior Riley Duxtader, 28th overall with his lifetime best time of 16:41

while Chaz Jeffress' mark of 16:44 earned him 31st place as well as the fastest time ever for a Salem freshman.

Also contributing to the fine showing were senior Michael Karizat (35th, 16:48), Noah Engerer (17:28, 71st), Donovan Drouillard (17:30, 76th) and Alex Creekmore (18:02, 117th).

"We ran a great team race, with the top four

guys running close together for the first mile and Noah and Donovan running well together the whole race," Rocks head coach Steve Aspinall said. "Steve (McEvilly) moved up very well from the first mile, where he was in about 30th."

Grand Blanc was the invite champion with 84 points, followed by Saline (92), Ann Arbor Pioneer (134) and Salem (174).

Salem girls tops at invite

Salem's varsity girls cross country team won Saturday's Linden Invitational with 30 points, far ahead of runner-up Livonia Stevenson (87).

The Rocks' 'B' team placed third out of 22 teams with 91 points.

"The girls ran very smart today," Salem head coach Dave Gerlach said. "The field took the pack out fast and our girls stayed in contact using their experience."

Muddy conditions did not slow Salem runners, with 13 winning medals (including three in the junior varsity race).

First overall was Kayla Kavulich, with a time of 18 minutes, 54.8 seconds.

Other varsity medals were collected by Anya Cho (3rd, 19:38.4), Lauren

Arquette (4th, 19:38.7), Natasha Stevenson (9th, 20:13.5), Alejandra Beltran (13th, 20:27.4), Emily Bizon (14th, 20:34.5), Shannon Flynn (15th, 20:42.1), Kayla Hughes (17th, 20:46.1), Kati Binsfeld (22nd, 20:55) and Rebecca Lopez (23rd, 21:00.1)

Finishing 1-3 in the JV race were Katy Roberson (21:12.1), Emily Marcero (21:41.9) and Sierra Bowden (21:44.4).

Chiefs edge Rockets

Shorthanded due to injuries, Canton defeated Westland John Glenn 28-29 on Sept. 18 at Cass Benton.

Sam McGrath led the Chiefs, finishing third (22:44). Other Canton finishers were Oliv-

ia McIntee (4th, 22:48), Keara Sullivan (6th, 23:11), Grace Grimes (7th, 23:34), Laura Murphy (8th, 23:37), Marissa Campbell (10th, 23:54) and Ellen Grimes (11th, 23:57).

"We had to hold out a couple of runners due to some injury concerns and the meet was very close," Canton head coach Eric Pah! said. "Thankfully, the girls showed up ready to run and to run hard. ... I was concerned early in the meet as the John Glenn runners started out fast."

"The girls kept with it and kept pushing the pace. Every girl on this team ran hard and contributed to this win. I couldn't be more proud of these girls."

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY MONROE JEFFERSON INVITATIONAL RESULTS Sept. 22 at Sterling State Pk.

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Livonia Churchill, 37 points; 2. Brighton, 42; 3. Saline (B), 50; 4. Plymouth, 142; 5. Monroe, 159; 6. Livonia Franklin, 172; 7. Canton, 176; 8. Gibraltar Carlson, 233; 9. Belleville, 253.

Individual winner: Ashley Sorge (Iida), 18:55.74 (5,000 meters).

CATHOLIC CENTRAL INVITATIONAL RESULTS Sept. 22 at Cass Benton Pk.

TEAM STANDINGS (Division 2, 3, 4): 1. Dearborn Divine Child, 29 points; 2. Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard, 75; 2. Farmington Hills Harrison, 83; 4. Lutheran High Westland, 107; 5. Riverview Gabriel Richard, 123; 6. Livonia Ladywood, 139; 7. Detroit Renaissance, 187; 8. Redford Union, 196; 9. Detroit Chandler Park Academy, 263.

Individual winner: Lindsey Brewis (Divine Child), 19:44.5 (5,000 meters).

Lutheran Westland finishers: 2. Jenna Wisner, 20:28.0; 10. Jessica Drife, 23:08.9; 23. Michelle Greening, 23:19.1; 32.

Alana Hill, 24:13; 38. Rachel Wiggins, 24:47.8; 45. Angela Morrison, 25:47.1; 46. Megan Heil, 25:49.1.

Ladywood finishers: 16. Sarah Wilson, 22:40.3; 30. Carlee Faber, 23:52.2; 33. Hannah Pereira, 24:13.5; 34. Sinead Cox, 24:31.9; 36. Katarina Gaffka, 24:34.0; 37. Katherine Taylor, 24:36.9; 39. Erica Mucci, 24:52.4.

DUAL MEET RESULTS CANTON 25 LIVONIA FRANKLIN 30 Sept. 25 at Nankin Mills

Individual winner: Natalie Douglas (Franklin), 20:13.6 (5,000 meters).

Canton finishers: 2. Mary Galm, 20:17.9; 3. Jessica Siegler, 20:54.9; 4. Olivia McTea, 21:03.9; 7. Sam McGrath, 21:22.3; 9. Laura Murphy, 21:29.9; 13. Kera Sullivan, 22:28.2; 14. Hannah Feree, 22:36.9.

Other Franklin finishers: 5. Natalie Martinez, 21:06.4; 6. Anna Snider, 21:17.9; 8. Mandy Pokryfky, 21:26.6; 10. Katelyn Kovach, 21:32.5; 11. CC Shoemaker, 22:01.9; 12. Jane Modes, 22:22.3.

Dual meet records: Canton, 3-0 overall, 3-0 KLAASouth Division; Franklin, 1-2 overall, 1-2 KLAASouth.

PLYMOUTH 20 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 41 Sept. 25 at John Glenn

Individual winner: Marina DeBiasi (Plymouth), 19:41 (5,000 meters).

Other Plymouth finishers: 3. Brianna Lax, 21:07; 4. Charlotte Clark, 21:48; 5. Alex Cichlan, 21:58; 7. Allison Morren, 22:07; 8. Hailey Foster, 22:09; 9. Shannon Shave, 22:12.

John Glenn finishers: 2. Shekinah Johnson, 21:01; 10. Caroline Mahalak, 23:29; 11. Courtney MacQuarrie, 24:00; 12. Kaitlyn Mitchell, 25:02; 13. Hannah Mitchell, 25:22; 14. Bailey Paddock, 27:50.

Dual meet records: Plymouth, 2-1 overall, 2-1 KLAASouth Division; John Glenn, 0-3 overall, 0-3 KLAASouth.

NORTHVILLE 25 SALEM 34 Sept. 25 at Cass Benton

Individual winner: Kayla Kavulich (Salem), 18:39 (5,000 meters).

Other Salem finishers: 5. Lauren Arquette, 19:35; 6. Anya Cho, 19:48; 12. Natasha Stevenson, 20:27; 13. Shannon Flynn, 20:45; 14. Emily Bizon, 20:47; 17. Alejandra Beltran, 20:58; 18. Rebecca Lopez, 20:59.

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY MONROE JEFFERSON INVITATIONAL RESULTS Sept. 22 at Sterling State Pk.

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Brighton, 43 points; 2. Livonia Churchill, 78; 3. Ann Arbor Huron, 83; 4. Canton, 103; 5. Livonia Franklin, 132; 6. Wayne Memorial, 153; 7. Monroe, 187; 8. Gibraltar Carlson, 202; 9. Belleville.

Individual winner: Jack Kosaian (Brighton), 16:27.2 (5,000 meters).

CATHOLIC CENTRAL INVITATIONAL RESULTS Sept. 22 at Cass Benton Pk.

TEAM STANDINGS (Division 2, 3, 4): 1. Dearborn Divine Child, 34 points; 2. Farmington Harrison, 86; 3. Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard, 89; 4. Orchard Lake St. Mary's, 101; 5. Lutheran High Westland, 116; 6. Riverview Gabriel Richard, 132; 7. Plymouth Christian, 135; 8. Detroit

Renaissance, 221; 9. Redford Union, 245; 10. Detroit Renaissance, 292.

Individual winner: Griffin Miller (Divine Child), 16:45.0 (5,000 meters).

DUAL MEET RESULTS CANTON 25 LIVONIA FRANKLIN 36 Sept. 25 at Nankin Mills

Individual winner: Ross Cecil (Franklin), 16:32.4 (5,000 meters).

Canton finishers: 3. Billy Toth, 16:50; 4. Evan Dunklee, 17:24.6; 5. Tom Walkinshaw, 17:54.3; 6. Andrew Stevens, 18:00.6; 7. Josh Joly, 18:04.9; 8. Owen Ash, 18:08.6; 9. Evan Childs, 18:15.9.

Dual meet records: Canton, 3-0 overall, 3-0 KLAASouth Division; Franklin, 1-2 overall, 1-2 KLAASouth.

PLYMOUTH 15 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 50

Sept. 25 at John Glenn Individual winner: Brandon Dalton (Plymouth), 17:10 (5,000 meters).

Other Plymouth finishers: 2. Liam Cardenas, 17:32; 3. Zane Berlanga, 17:41; 4. Jonny Dalton, 17:52; 5. Nick Williamson, 17:57; 6. Max Rogowski, 18:15; 7. Caton Hacker, 18:16.

Dual meet records: Plymouth, 2-1 overall, 2-1 KLAASouth Division; John Glenn, 0-3 overall, 0-3 KLAASouth.

CANTON 19 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 39 Sept. 18 at Cass Benton

Individual winner: Billy Toth (Canton), 17:54 (5,000 meters).

Other Canton finishers: 2. Evan Dunklee, 18:16; 3. Josh Joy, 18:41; 5. Owen Ash, 19:15; 8. Jay Drennan, 19:26; 9. Andrew Stephens, 19:43.

Salem rally falls short

Salem showed spunk bouncing back at times during Tuesday's KLAASouth Division varsity girls volleyball match against visiting South Lyon.

But the Rocks could not overcome some trouble spots and wound up losing 3-2 to the Lions.

"We had a lot of errors in Game 5," Salem head coach Amanda Nies said. "We had a weak start to Game 1, down 9-10 points. We came back to within two (ultimately losing 25-22) and had some momentum for Game 2."

Salem (2-4) won the second and fourth games, both by 25-18 scores. Unfortunately, Game 3 was another problem as South Lyon won 25-18 and the deciding fifth game went to the visitors (15-9).

Senior Nancy Kruty was outstanding in defeat for the Rocks, with 43 assists and 10 defensive digs. Abby Dworzanin also contributed with 15 kills and 16 digs, playing "real consistent," Nies said.

Other Salem players to help the cause were Kelly Whalen (13 kills) and freshman Tess Ganich (10 kills).

"Kelly stepped it up and made a difference in Game 2," the coach added.

CHURCHILL 3, PLYMOUTH 0: Visiting Plymouth could not put it together Tuesday night, falling to Livonia Churchill in a KLAASouth Division tilt. The Chargers won by 25-21, 25-19, 25-17 tallies.

The bright spot for the Wildcats was senior Madelyn Betts, who recently signed to play college volleyball at Robert Morris University. She chocked up 15 kills and 15 digs.

"It just wasn't our night," Plymouth head coach Sarah Marody said. "We couldn't get all the pieces clicking at the same time and overall — with the exception of Madelyn who clearly led the team offensively — our offense just couldn't get anything going." Shayla Smalls did chip in with 26 assists while Olivia Beyer (five kills, three blocks), Emilee Beyer (three kills, 16 digs) and Kyra Neumann (10 digs) all contributed.

'CATS WIN AT UMD: On Saturday, Plymouth made it three tournament victories in as many tries with a championship at the

University of Michigan-Dearborn Invitational.

The Wildcats defeated Chelsea in the semifinals (25-21, 25-10) and then knocked off Dexter in the finals by identical 25-15 scores.

Betts led the way with 33 kills, 26 digs and three aces while Olivia Beyer (27 kills, 14 blocks), Emilee Beyer (23 kills, 21 digs), Smalls (69 assists, 16 digs), Zoe Irvin (36 digs, 11 aces), Haylee Weber (34 digs) and Caterina Soli (seven kills, five blocks) all made solid contributions.

"Once again it was a total team effort," Marody said. "It seems to be a theme with us this year."

"We have very unselfish players who are here to win and know what it takes to get it done. When everyone contributes, we are at our best."

CANTON 3, WAYNE 0: On Tuesday at Canton, the Chiefs rolled to a 25-18, 25-17, 25-20 victory over KLAASouth Division rival Wayne Memorial.

Erica den Boer sparked the Chiefs with 14 kills, three aces and 10 digs. Setters Chelsea Janice (13 assists), Madison Kielty (10 assists) spearheaded the offense, while libero Becca Middleton was strong on D with 20 digs.

Also chipping in were outside hitter Jordan Diedrick (six digs) and right-side hitter Sasha Cucuz (six kills).

Churchill ousts Chiefs at tourney

The Livonia Churchill girls volleyball team made it all the way to the finals Saturday of the Temperance Bedford Tournament only to lose to the host Kicking Mules in a battle of state-ranked teams, 25-17, 25-23.

The Chargers, 31-4 overall, defeated Canton (25-23, 13-25, 15-12) and Pinckney (25-13, 25-20) in the elimination round after posted power pool wins over Fenton (25-20, 25-19) and Bedford (25-19, 25-15). In pool play, Churchill downed Farmington (25-15, 25-16) and Ann Arbor Pioneer (25-14, 25-16).

Senior Emily Norscia racked up 79 kills and served seven aces on the day for the Chargers.

Other top Churchill performers included Marissa Pomaville (55 kills, eight blocks); Courtney Pietruszka (21 kills, 22 digs, three aces); Audrey Durocher (52 digs, six aces, six kills, four blocks); and Julia Szuba (50 digs).

Spartans go 4-2

Junior Katie Tomasic had a total of 44 kills and 14 assists as Livonia Stevenson finished 4-2 Saturday at

the Bedford Tournament.

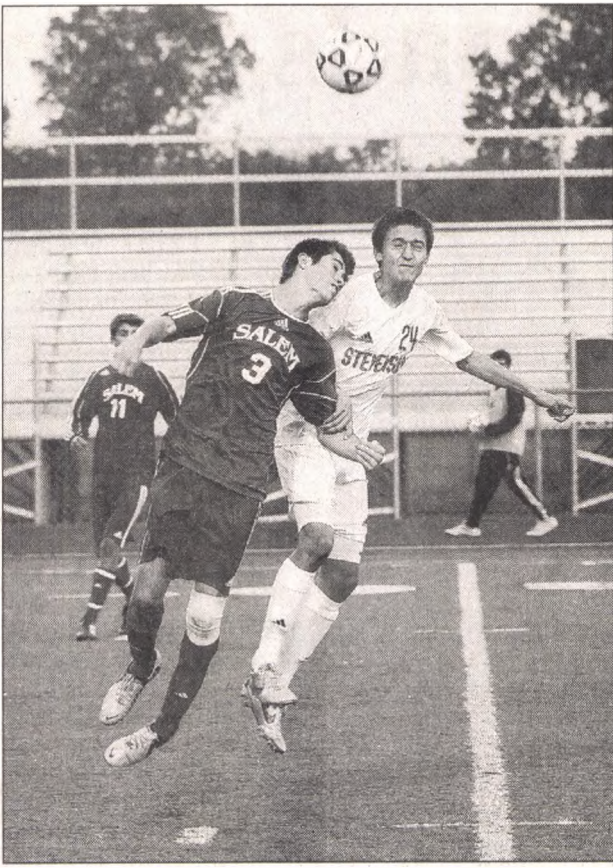
The Spartans, 13-12-1 overall, defeated Westland John Glenn twice (26-24, 25-19 and 25-10, 25-15) and Ann Arbor Pioneer twice (25-15, 27-25 and 25-17, 25-17), while losing to Bedford (22-25, 16-25) and New Boston Huron (25-18, 25-27, 6-15).

Other leaders for the Spartans included Holly Mossoian (28 digs); Amanda Hawkins (15 kills, 11 blocks); Morgan Copperstone (14 kills); Abby Whitehead (11 blocks, 10 aces); Allie Koestering (34 assists).

Rockets 3-3

Hannah Staples finished with 30 kills and 24 digs, while setter Claire Truskowski finished with 79 assists and seven aces as Westland John Glenn (10-17-3) split six matches Saturday in the Bedford Tournament.

The Rockets beat Belleville twice (25-17, 25-22 and 25-5, 25-18), along with Wayne Memorial (25-23, 25-23), while losing to Livonia Stevenson twice (24-26, 23-25 and 10-25, 15-25) and Farmington (20-25, 16-25).



Salem's Tyler Fosdick (No. 3) and Livonia Stevenson's Dominic Sabatini (No. 24) vie for the ball Tuesday night.

ROCKS

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fall to 6-2-4 overall and 4-1-2 in the KLAA Central (14 points).

Making amends

"This was the most important regular season game for us," McCarthy said. "That's why the first half was so disappointing where we played so poorly."

"The second half was a much better effort and the two goals were very big. I couldn't be happier with our performance in the second half."

Stevenson controlled a majority of the first half and appeared to be on its way to picking up three points.

The Spartans took a 1-0 lead with 4:10 remaining in the first half on Joey Demarco's goal off an assist from Dominic Sabatini.

And Stevenson held that one-goal lead for nearly 21 minutes before Brady Cole's game-winning goal.

"It's funny, but the moment they scored their first goal, I thought we really finally got in what we wanted to down the field," Stevenson coach Ken Shingledecker said. "The cross came in off the counter attack against our backline. Their attack was on and it was a good finish. We had a bad three minutes. We didn't seem to recover."

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Chiefs hold off Chargers

Livonia Churchill put up quite a battle Tuesday night before succumbing to KLAA South Division boys soccer leader Canton, 4-1.

The Chiefs, now 11-2-2 overall and 7-0 in the division, needed a pair of goals during the last seven minutes from Bobby Budlong and Daniel Ovesea to put the match away.

Visiting Churchill jumped out to a 1-0 lead in the first half on Nate Bradford's goal off a restart from Eric Meyer.

Canton answered with two goals in the final 10 minutes of the same half thanks to a corner kick from Connor Shennan followed by Griffin Parks' goal with two minutes remaining.

"We came out in a defensive formation and marked with intensity," said Churchill first-year coach Matt Grodzicki, whose team slipped to 3-7-2 overall and 3-4 in the KLAA South. "That last goal of the first half (by Parks) took away some of our momentum."

Churchill goalkeeper Colton Robison was heroic in defeat with 16 saves.

"Colton stood on his head," Grodzicki said. "It was one of the best performances I've seen in a number of years. Every Canton player can strike the ball. They're a fast and strong team."

Canton, the defending Division 1 state champions, used two goalkeepers (Brandon Pickert and Ian Wingate).

PLYMOUTH 4, FRANKLIN 1: Livonia Franklin (3-8-1, 2-5) scored first Tuesday, but the host Wildcats (5-7-2, 5-2) roared back for four un-

answered goals to earn the KLAA South Division win.

Franklin took a 1-0 lead on Jordan Bickham's goal from Nick O'Brien, but Plymouth made it 1-1 at halftime on Chandler Olah's goal.

The Wildcats then got second-half goals from Jason Liguori, Do-Hyung Kim and Jeff Pattison.

Franklin goalkeeper Spencer Lewandowski made nine saves, while James Gibbs was in goal for Plymouth.

"The first half we played great, moved the ball well," Franklin coach Vic Rodopoulos said. "The second half we let our marks get too far away. Overall I think we played well, but we were ineffective in certain situations and it cost us goals."

ROEPER 5, LUTH. WESTLAND 0: Spencer Solys and Max Whipple each scored a pair of goals Tuesday lifting host Birmingham Roeper (10-2-1, 9-2), ranked No. 4 in Division 4, to a Michigan Independent Athletic Association Blue Division over Lutheran High Westland (2-10, 2-10).

Chase Solys also added a goal for the Roughriders, who led 5-0 at halftime.

Roeper goalkeeper Calvin Lind made four saves to post the shutout, while freshman Jordan Williams had five stops for the Warriors.

Ernie Babon was Lutheran Westland's top offensive threat with four shots.

LUTH. WESTLAND 3, PCA 2: Ernie Babon's hat trick carried Lutheran High Westland (2-9, 2-9) to a MIAC Blue Division victory last Friday at Plymouth Christian Academy (0-9, 0-9).

Babon's first goal game in the fifth minute when he headed in a corner from Walter Gembarski. Babon scored again in the 20th and 25th minutes off assists from Nick Flanery and Troy Gotchev.

Jacob Bailey's two goals in the 33rd and 68th minutes cut the deficit to one for PCA.

Lutheran Westland goalkeeper Jordan Williams made seven saves, while Jayme Putney had 10 stops for PCA.

The victory proved to be costly for the Warriors, who lost midfielder Daniel Roberts to dislocated knee and will likely be lost for the season.

Boatright goal keeps SC afloat

Derek Boatright picked the right time to score his first goal of the season.

The freshman midfielder from Redford tapped in the game-winner on a rebound during the 58th minute off an assist from Romario Georgis as the ninth-ranked Schoolcraft College men's soccer team earned a 1-0 NJCAA Region XII victory Saturday over visiting Muskegon Community College.

Goalkeeper Ryan Tikey (Livonia Franklin) made five saves to post his second straight shutout as the Ocelots improved to 8-1-1 overall and 6-0-1 in Region XII.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Tyler Lane made five saves for 17th-ranked Muskegon, which dropped to 7-3 overall and 5-2 in NJCAA Region XII.

Schoolcraft is now 3-0 in the Michigan CC Athletic Association, while Muskegon falls to 1-2.

On Friday, Schoolcraft posted a 3-0 victory over Ancilla (Ind.), which dropped 1-4-2 overall and 0-2 in the MCCA.

The Ocelots took a 2-0 halftime lead on goals by Ardit Dushkaj (Livonia Clarenceville) in the 33rd minute from Gino Pasquali followed by

Pasquali's goal in the 38th minute from Dushkaj.

In the 65th minute of the second half, Mike Bojovic scored from Ahmad Jawad.

Tikey made four saves for the shutout.

MADONNA 1, SIENA HEIGHTS 1 (2 OTs): Madonna University (4-3-1, 0-0-1) opened its 2012 Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference season Saturday at home with a two-overtime draw against Siena Heights University (2-3-2, 0-0-1).

After a scoreless first half where the Crusaders outshot the Saints, 7-0, MU scored in the 47th minute when Doug Beason set up Joe Carver (Schoolcraft College) on a give-and-go for a 1-0 lead. Siena Heights tallied the

equalizer in the 59th minute when Justin Johnson took a pass from Shane Patterson and beat MU goalkeeper Adrian Motta (Livonia Churchill) to the far post.

"We did a lot of good things around their backline today, but just couldn't find another one," said MU coach Eric Scott. "Siena Heights did a great job of taking advantage of the opportunity. I thought Lucas Sagaert, Aaron Lain, Shane Patterson and Justin Johnson were effective for them. Dane (Laird), Doug (Beason) and Joe (Carver) did everything they could for us."

John Boudreau (Livonia Stevenson) started in goal and played the first 45 minutes for the Crusaders before giving way to Motta, who made four saves over the final 65 minutes.

Sagaert recorded five stops for the Saints.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

YMCA looking for staff

The Plymouth Family YMCA is hiring sports staff for the fall and winter sessions of youth sports.

Applicants should be at least 16 years old and be available to work evenings in addition to possessing a strong desire to work with youth, knowledge of various sports and the ability to interact well with members of all ages.

To apply, download an application and return it to Josh Borg at jborg@ymcamedetroit.org or 248 S Union, Plymouth, MI, 48170.

Sign up for Saints

The Washtenaw Saints Football Team, of the Christian Athletic League of America, is currently looking for interested young men (6th through 12th grade) to join the team.

There are no tryouts and everyone will get a chance to compete. Practices are underway at Domino Farms in Ann Arbor from 5:30 to 7:30 on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. For more informa-

tion contact coach Jeremy Florence at (734) 649-0532 or by e-mail at Lemmie@aol.com.

Run, bike, golf

Tami's Tri, a 5-kilometer run, 20K bike and 9-hole scramble golf event will be from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, at Hickory Creek Golf Course, 3625 Napier Road, Superior Township.

The cost is \$65 (through Sept. 15) or \$75 (through race day). Included in the cost is a free golf clinic conducted by PGA professional Tami Bealert at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 26, at Hickory Creek. Tami's Tri includes gift pack, prizes and lunch included. Space is limited to 144 golfers.

Proceeds will go to the non-profit organization Growth Works, Inc. of Canton and Plymouth.

To RSVP, e-mail TrainWithTami@yahoo.com. For more information, call (734) 731-0238; or visit www.TrainWithTami.com.

CYO volleyball

Registrations are being accepted for the Livonia St. Edith fall volleyball program (grades 2-8).

Members of St. Edith, St. Kenneth, St. Aidan and St. Colette are eligible to play in the Catholic Youth Organization.

To register, e-mail Gary Smart at smart5959@sbcglobe.com; or call (734) 432-5959.

Reds need players

The Farmington Hills-based Oakland Reds Baseball Club is seeking players to fill remaining 8-and-under through 18U spots on its 2013 rosters. Go to www.oaklandreds.com for additional information and to request a tryout.

WYAA football

Registration for Westland Youth Athletic Association football will be 10 a.m. to noon Saturdays and 7-9 p.m. Wednesdays at the WYAA Lange Compound, 6050 Farmington (north of Ford).

The WYAA offers two football units, the Comets and Meteors. Each unit has four squads divided by age and weight restrictions for junior freshmen (7-8), freshmen (8-10), junior varsity (11-12) and varsity (13-14).

In addition, both units have four cheerleading squads (ages same as football). For more information, call the WYAA at (734) 421-0640.

Archery range

Registration to obtain a pass for the City of Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation archery range is under way at the Parks and Recreation desk, located at the Livonia Community Recreation Center, 15100 Hubbard, Livonia.

The range will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays (through October); 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sundays, (through October); 4 p.m. until dusk, Tuesdays and Thursday, September-October.

Resident season pass rates are \$25 (individual); \$35 (two members); \$45 (three members); and \$55 (four or more members).

Non-resident season passes are available for \$40 (individual); \$50 (two); \$60 (three) and \$70 (four or more).

Daily resident rates are \$4 (adult) and \$2 (17-and-under). Non-resident daily fees are \$6 (adult) and \$4 (17-and-under).

For more information, call (734) 466-2410.

Plymouth Family YMCA programs on tap

The Plymouth Family YMCA is offering a variety of youth instructional programs and leagues this fall. The focus of these programs will be on fun, exercise and social interaction through sports instruction.

Those offerings are as follows:

- Preschool Soccer, Preschool and Youth Basketball and Martial Arts:

Ages vary by program but there is something for children ages 3-12. Programs run weeks beginning Sept. 17-Oct. 22 and are open to YMCA members and community members.

• YMCA Co-Ed Soccer: Leagues are forming for children ages 4-10 with sessions from Sept. 10-Nov. 3. Fundamentals will be stressed through

one practice and one game (on Saturdays) each week. The Y fee is \$84 or \$115 for community participants.

• YMCA Basketball: Leagues are forming for boys and girls ages 4-11. The first session will run from Oct. 22 through Dec. 21. There will be one practice per week and one game per week on Friday evenings. The

Y rate is \$80 or \$112 for community participants.

The second session runs from Jan. 4 - March 15. The Y rate for 2nd session is \$96 and the community rate is \$128. Programs are filled on a first come-first serve basis.

For more information, please contact the YMCA at (734) 453-2904 or visit www.ymcadetroit.org/plymouth.

WHALERS

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goal and centering it to defenseman and new captain Colin MacDonald. The subsequent shot from the high slot was redirected by Noesen past Subban.

Subban then stopped the Whalers during a 5-on-3 situation for more than a minute, robbing Alardi's blast from the right circle and calmly getting in front of Noesen's one-timer taken in the left circle.

Plymouth did go up 2-0 with 11:18 to play on another beautifully executed offensive rush. Matthew Mistelet moved it up the ice into the Bulls' zone and sent a pass to Meurs who in turn moved the puck over to Hartman for a snap shot high into the Belleville goal.

It was Hartman's first OHL goal.

The Bulls started to chip away on the Brassard goal, and after Hartman hit the crossbar early in the second tied the game with 13:43 left in



Plymouth Whalers rookie forward Ryan Hartman (No. 21) watches as his shot is blocked by Belleville goalie Malcolm Subban.

the middle stanza.

Garrett Hooey skated the puck into the crease area from the right side of the net where it slid right in front of Carter Sandlak for the marker.

Both goaltenders were stellar the rest of the way to extend the contest to extra time.

With about one minute left in the third, Brassard broke in on Mahalak who came up with a huge save.

Then with the final seconds of the third ticking off the clock, Hartman

collected a loose puck between the circles and sent a shot toward the top right corner that Subban snared with a flash of his trapper.

"He's a world junior goalie, he's a real good goalie," said Vellucci about Subban, who showed why the Boston Bruins picked him in the first round of the 2012 NHL Entry Draft. "He made some great saves tonight."

After a scoreless overtime, the only player to score during the shoot-

out was Belleville's Joseph Cramarossa, getting Mahalak to move left before slipping the puck between his pads.

Meurs had his bid to extend the shootout thwarted by a confident Subban's pad save, which was pretty much a recurring theme all night.

The Whalers (0-0-1-1) return to action on Saturday at Compuware against Sudbury. The puck drops at 7 p.m.

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Salem netters lose close one

On Friday, Salem and Livonia Stevenson played a KLAA Central Division varsity boys tennis makeup dual match necessitated by the Sept. 18 rain.

Unfortunately for the host Rocks, they lost a 5-4 heartbreaker — losing

the final match at No. 5 doubles in three sets.

Jake Scott did win his singles flight for the Rocks, 6-2, 6-0.

Canton and Livonia Churchill also played a Friday makeup, but results were not available.



Tenth Avenue North

Christian band to play in Plymouth

Tenth Avenue North, a contemporary Christian music band, will bring its "The Struggle" tour to NorthRidge Church, in Plymouth Township next month.

The band will perform new music from its latest project as well as fan favorites. The concert also features Audrey Assad and Rend Collective Experiment.

Performance time is 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 4. NorthRidge is located at 49555 N. Territorial, Plymouth Township. Tickets are \$20 and \$25, available by calling (800) 965-9324 or (734) 414-7777 or by visiting www.rushconcerts.com.

The tour is named for Tenth Avenue North's third label project, *The Struggle*, which is produced by six-time SES-AC Christian Songwriter of the Year, and two-time GRAMMY nominee, Jason Ingram. *The Struggle* is a creative leap forward for the band, reflecting influences ranging from fan insight to the addition of two band members to a new recording process.

For more information on "The Struggle" fall tour and CD, visit: www.TenthAvenueNorth.com or www.thestruggle-tour.com.

RELIGION CALENDAR

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

September

AUTHOR SPEAKS

Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 30

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

Details: Jim Kenney, co-founder of Common Ground, will talk about his book, *Thriving in the Crosscurrent: Clarity and Hope in a Time of Cultural Sea Change*. \$10 per person. Free childcare is available.

Contact: www.Farmington.org; (248) 478-7272

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

GARAGE SALE

Time/Date: 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 29

Location: Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: Held in the church parking lot

Contact: Dianne Sherman at (734) 812-5172

HEALTH FAIR

Time/Date: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sept. 29

Location: Kingdom Builders Christian Church, 23310 Joy, Redford

Details: CVS will have an off-site flu shot clinic. Oakland Community Health will check cholesterol for \$4 per person and will offer blood pressure and blood sugar checks.

Contact: Mary Tuggle at (313) 378-2528

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DICKERSON, LON EDDY

Of Chelsea, Michigan. Age 96, passed away on Saturday, September 22, 2012 at the Chelsea Retirement Community. He was born on February 7, 1916 on the family homestead in Ogdan Township, Blissfield, MI, to Mary (Eddy) and Ellsworth Dickerson. Lon married Maxine Merryfield on October 14, 1939. Lon and Maxine moved to Plymouth, MI in 1950 where they owned and operated Dickerson's Market until 1968. Lon then worked as a butcher for Kroger's for the next 17 years. They moved from Plymouth to the Chelsea Retirement Community in July 2002. They had 63 years together before Maxine's passing in 2003. Throughout Lon's life he enjoyed sports, fishing, and being with his family and numerous friends. Lon is survived by his partner, Alberta Sabin; his children, Lon (Anne) of Metairie, LA and Karen (Merlyn) Street of Chelsea; his grandchildren: Charna Boquette, Robert (Cara) Dickerson, Sarah Jackson, Martina (Erik) Tjolsen, and Kyung Paik (Peter Dickerson); and ten great-grandchildren. In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by his parents and his siblings: Leota Powers, Harper, Alice Flanagan, Myrtle Schattenheim, Elmer, and Eunice Sherbrook. A Funeral Service will be held on Friday, September 28, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at the Chelsea Retirement Community Chapel, 801 W. Middle St., Chelsea with Janet Alford officiating. Visitation will be held at the Staffan-Mitchell Funeral Home, Chelsea on Thursday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. and also at the Chapel on Friday from 9-10 a.m. Memorial Contributions may be made to the UMRC Heritage Foundation, 805 W. Middle St., Chelsea, MI 48118.



LABARGE JR., ALBIE

Died September 24, 2012, age 87. Beloved husband of the late Gwendolyn. Dear father of Gerianne (Charles) Anglin, David LaBarge, and Elizabeth LaBarge. Grandfather of CJ (Katharine), and Chad. Visitation MANN'S-FERGUSON Funeral Home 17000 Middlebelt Road (S. of 6 Mile) on Thursday from 2 to 8 pm with a Rosary prayed at 6:30 pm. In State Friday 10:45 am until the time of Mass at 11:30 am at St. Genevieve-St. Maurice Catholic Church 29015 Jamison St. in Livonia. Memorials are suggested to the Lions Club Highnooners 15600 Middlebelt, Livonia, MI 48154

Share a memory at: www.mannsfuneralhome.com



MITCHELL, VICKIE L.

Sept 23, 2012, age 55 of Plymouth. Beloved daughter of Jerry and Sharlene Finnegan. Dear sister of Brenda (Gordon) Coram, Shannon Finnegan and Jennifer (Michael) Gibbons. Dear aunt of Bradley Finnegan and Ryan Coram. Dear granddaughter of Ella "Betty" Johnson. Visitation Friday 12 Noon until the 4 PM. Funeral Service at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 W. Ann Arbor Rd (btwn Sheldon & Beck) Plymouth. Memorials may be made to the "Family Memorial Fund". To share a memory, please visit: vermeulenfuneralhome.com

WRIGHT, ALICE R.

September 23, 2012, age 95. Beloved mother of Gary (Barbara) Wright, Daryl (Judy) Wright, Cheryl (David) Wurster and Merrie (Bob) West. Also leaves seven grandchildren, six great grandchildren and sister Anna Swindell. Services were held today at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth, MI. www.schrader-howell.com

DORFSTATTER HELENE A.

Died 9/24/2012. Visitation Fri. 4-8pm Casterline Funeral Home 122 W. Dunlap Northville. Mass Sat. 10:30am, St. James Catholic Church, 46325 10 Mile, Novi.

MURRAY, KENNETH JOHN

Age 83, September 22, 2012. Loving father of Preston (Janet), Mark (Dawn), Michelle (Al) Urban, Kevin (Brenda), Paul (Ryan) and Kathryn (Kent) Kzeski. Dear grandfather of Damon (Michelle), Heather, Erin, Albert, Emily, Amy, Allison and Alexandra. Great grandfather of Ian, Alexa, Ashley and Ava. Brother of Donald (Donna) and Gordon (June) Murray, Margaret Murray-Silverman and Mary Lou (Don) Rice. Ken was a longtime resident of Livonia, MI. He was an employee of Ford Motor Co. and subsequently an Airline Executive. Funeral Service at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Rd., Livonia, Monday, 11a.m. Visitation Sunday, from 1-8 p.m. Memorial contributions may be directed to the American Cancer Society. Please share a memory at: www.rggharris.com

SZELIGA, MARGOLD H.

Passed away September 23, 2012 at age 89. Beloved wife of the late Bernard W. Loving mother of Bernadette (Clarence) Treadwell, Vincent (Barbara), Renee Therrien, Conrad (Wadad), Gerald, Brian, and Pamela Hess. Dearest grandmother of Kelly (Samuel) Molin, Kevin (Suzanna) Szeliga, James Therrien, Mark Szeliga, Jonathon Szeliga, Kayla Szeliga, Kimberly Szeliga, Andrea Hess (Fiance James), Erica Hess, Adam Hess (Fiance Sammi). Dear great-grandmother of Hailey and Sam Molin. Margold was also a longtime member of the Daughters of Isabella. A funeral Mass was held at St. Priscilla Catholic Church and arranged through the Neely-Turovski Funeral Home in Livonia. www.neely-turovski.com

PETERS, GEORGE C.

92, of Northumberland, PA, died on September 22, 2012 at Nottingham Village of congestive heart failure. He was a native of Madisonville, Louisiana, and a graduate of Centenary College in Shreveport, Louisiana. George served in World War II as a Marine officer assigned to the battleship Nevada. He participated in the invasions of Normandy, southern France, Iwo Jima, and Okinawa. George retired from the Corps with the rank of Captain. He had a successful business career with General Motors in Detroit and retired in 1984 as the Manager of Administrative Affairs, Public Relations Staff. George is survived by one daughter and son-in-law, Ann and Thomas Williams of Dallas, TX; one son and daughter-in-law, Dr. John and Carrie Peters of Lewisburg, PA; one sister, Imelda Amadon of New Orleans; two grandsons, George and Michael Williams; and one granddaughter, Shannon Peters. He was preceded in death by his wife of 62 years, Dorothea. A memorial mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. on Thursday, October 18, at the Sacred Heart Church, 814 St. Louis St., Lewisburg, PA with the Rev. Msgr. William M. Richardson, officiating. Burial will be held privately. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions to benefit Camp Victory may be made to The Nicholas Wolff Foundation, P.O. Box 810, Millville, PA 17846. The family is being assisted by Cronrath-Grenoble Funeral Home, South Second and St. Louis Streets, Lewisburg, PA. Expressions of sympathy may be shared at: www.cronrathgrenoblefuneralhome.com

PRINGLE, ROBERT W.

Age 89, September 23, 2012. Beloved husband of the late Maureen. Loving father of Paul (Cheryl) and Debra Pringle. Grandfather of James and Jacqueline Pringle and Ryan Ramsey. Preceded in death by her siblings, Dorothy and George. Funeral Services will be on Friday at 11am (instate at 10am) at the First United Methodist Church, 6443 Merriman Rd., Garden City. Visitation Thursday from 2 pm until 9pm at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 31551 Ford Rd., Garden City. Robert's family suggests donations to the Karmanos Cancer Center or Hospice Compassus.



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Actress, animal activist Tippi Hedren to meet fans at 'The Birds' screening

By Sharon Dargay
O&E Staff Writer

Tippi Hedren has always loved animals — from the “big cats” at her Shambala Preserve to the trained gulls in her first film, *The Birds*.

“I’ve always loved getting to know different species of wild things and I love getting to know about them whether they’re an army of ants or an elephant or whale,” Hedren said.

Or birds. Hedren, who will visit Michigan this weekend for screenings of the Alfred Hitchcock thriller, *The Birds*, said she didn’t fear the trained gulls and ravens during shooting of the 1963 film.

“The bird trainer was excellent. He was so gentle with them. So many times he’d say, ‘Mr. Hitchcock, the birds are tired.’ I’m standing on the set saying, how about me?”

The 82-year-old actress spoke with the *Observer* recently about her work as an animal activist, actress and upcoming appearances at the Redford Theatre.

The Birds will screen at 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 28 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, at the theater, located on Lahser, just north of Grand River Ave., in Detroit; (313) 537-2560. The theater will open an hour before each show for autographs. Hedren will sign photos or personal items for \$20 or pose for a photo for \$10. Admission to the film is \$5.

In addition to Hedren,

the movie stars Rod Taylor, Jessica Tandy and Suzanne Pleshette. It tells the story of a small northern California town menaced by birds that begin to viciously attack people.

“That movie has a life of its own,” Hedren said. “I don’t know if it’s the fact that it’s such a strange idea that all the birds banded together and started attacking us. It’s a scary thought, but I think the other situation with that movie is the relationship of the characters in it are fascinating ... it gets to be convoluted and interesting. You care about these people.”

Two Hitchcock films

Hedren was a fashion model when Hitchcock offered her a contract for film work in 1961. She made her movie debut in *The Birds*, and co-starred with Sean Connery in *Marnie*, which was released in 1964.

Hedren said *Marnie* was her most memorable character.

“That was a very difficult character. I worked really hard on that,” she said. “It was a real acting piece. I was very fortunate in doing it.”

Both films were unforgettable for another, more sinister reason. Hedren was sexually harassed during filming. Author Donald Spoto wrote about her difficulties with Hitchcock in two of his books, *The Dark Side of Genius: The Life of Alfred Hitchcock* and *Spellbound by Beauty: Alfred Hitchcock*



and *His Leading Ladies*. HBO’s *The Girl*, which premieres Oct. 20, is based on Spoto’s writings and chronicles Hedren’s experiences with Hitchcock.

“I trusted Donald so much. We had been friends for a long time when he wrote the book,” she said, referring to *The Dark Side of Genius*. “He was the first one I ever discussed this with. I trusted that he would treat it in a sophisticated way.”

“I never told anyone at the time it happened. There was no one I could go to.”

She said sexual harassment was prevalent and somewhat accepted at the time.

“It wasn’t accepted as far as I was concerned. I was brought up in a moral house. You know what good and bad and evil is. I became an expert at getting out of situations.”

Saying no

She rejected Hitchcock’s advances but couldn’t escape his stranglehold on her career.

Because she was under contract, he wouldn’t allow her to work for anyone else, even though she declined to work with him again after *Marnie*.

“He was a mean man. He ruined my career for the moment, but not my life.”

She hopes women of all ages realize they “don’t have to acquiesce to sexual harassment or anything that violates their moral code.”

“Walk away from the job. Find something else to do,” she suggested. Hedren continued working as an actress on both television and in movies after her break with Hitchcock.

Her interest in wild animals, specifically exotic lions, tigers and other “big cats,” began in 1969 while working in Africa on a film. After release of her 1981 movie, *Roar*, she founded the Roar Foundation and The Shambala Preserve in Acton, Calif., as a sanctuary for neglected, abandoned and mistreated exotic felines. The preserve is home to lions, tigers, cougars, leopards, bobcats and servals that are confiscated by government agencies from roadside zoos and from private citizens.

Hedren is an outspoken voice for wildlife. She testified before Congress in favor of a bill that outlawed interstate transport of exotic felines for the pet trade. *The Captive*

Wildlife Safety Act was signed into law in 2003.

“The bill I’m working on now is to stop breeding of exotic felines,” she said. I love these animals, but they are not pets and should not be born here.”

For more information about her advocacy efforts, visit www.shambala.org.



Tippi Hedren, star of Alfred Hitchcock’s “The Birds,” will meet fans at screenings of the movie, Sept. 28-29 at the Redford Theatre.

GET OUT!

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Family Sundays: 2 p.m. Sundays; storytelling, performances; free with admission

Exhibits: Picasso & Matisse exhibits all of the museum’s drawings and prints by the two artists, through Jan. 6, 2013; Faberge: The Rise and Fall, The Collection of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Oct. 14-Jan. 21, 2013; Hidden Treasures: An Experiment, Oct. 31-March 3, 2013

Contact: (313) 833-7900, www.dia.org

LIVONIA ARTISTS CLUB

Time/Dates: Through Sept. 28

Location: Livonia City Hall lobby, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia

Details: The Club, founded in 1960, holds its 52nd annual art exhibit, featuring oils, acrylics, watercolors, pastels, collage and drawings

Contact: Livonia City Hall at (734) 466-2200

NORTHVILLE ART HOUSE

Time/Dates: 1-5 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, through Sept. 22

Location: 215 W. Cady, Northville

Details: “Vote for Me! Artists Respond to the Presidential Election of 2012,” Oct. 5-27, with an opening reception 6-9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 5
Contact: (248) 344-0497

Dance

FAIRLANE BALLROOM DANCE CLUB

Time/Date: 7:30-10:30 p.m. every Thursday
Location: Lyskawa V.F.W. Hall, 6840 Waverly, east of Telegraph, south of Warren in Dearborn Heights

Details: Singles and couples dance to live bands on a hardwood dance floor. Admission is \$7 for members and \$8 for nonmembers. Free refreshments

Contact: Jean Orleans at (734) 516-0500

MOON DUSTERS

Time/Date: 8:30-11:30 p.m. every Saturday; dance lessons 7-8 p.m.

Location: Livonia Civic Center, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: Singles and couples; free refreshments. Dance lessons cost \$6; dance and lessons are \$11; dance only is \$7 for guests, \$6.50 for associates and \$6 for Moon Dusters members

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Film

PENN THEATRE

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Sept. 28, 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sept. 29-30

Location: 760 Penniman Ave., Plymouth

Details: "The Dark Knight Rises," \$3

Coming up: "Hope Springs," 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Oct. 5-6 and 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. Oct. 7

Contact: (734) 453-0870; www.penntheatre.com

REDFORD THEATRE

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 28 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29

Location: 17360 Lahser, just north of Grand River Ave., in Detroit

Details: "The Birds," \$5, with special appearances by Tippi Hedren at all three shows

Coming up: The Three Stooges Festival, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 5 and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, includes "Three Little Pigskins," "Three Little Beers," "Hoi Polloi," "Ants in the Pantry," "We Want Our Mummy," and "Dutiful But Dumb," \$5

Contact: (313) 537-2560

Music

THE ARK

Time/Date: Madcat/Manfara Blues Band, Sept. 27; The Kin & Find Vienna, Sept. 28; Peter Yarrow, Sept. 30; Ben Taylor and Grace Weber, Oct. 1; Earth Tones: A Benefit for the Michigan League of Conservation Voters, Oct. 2; Bell X1 & Duke Special, Oct. 3; Nervous but Excited & Andrea Gibson, Oct. 4; Chris Smither, Oct. 5; Lou & Peter Berryman, Oct. 6; Matt Wertz & Steve Moakler, Oct. 7; Shovels & Rope, Oct. 8

Location: 316 S. Main, Ann Arbor

Contact: (734) 763-8587; www.theark.org

CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY OF DETROIT

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6

Location: Seligman Performing Arts Center, located on the campus of Detroit Country Day, 13 Mile at Lahser, Beverly Hills

Details: Roberto Diaz gives a rare viola recital with pianist Gloria Chien. Tickets range from \$30-\$60.

Contact: (248) 855-6070

CRANBROOK MUSIC GUILD

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 10

Location: Christ Church Cranbrook, 470 Church Road, Bloomfield Hills

Details: Pianist Simone Dinnerstein plays works by Chopin and Felsenfeld. Tickets are \$25

Contact: (248) 645-0097 or visit www.cranbrookmusic-guild.org

JAZZ AT THE ELKS

Time/Date: 7-10 p.m. last Tuesday of the month

Location: Plymouth Elks Lodge #1780, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth

Details: There is a \$10 donation at the door which includes hors d'oeuvres. Proceeds from Jazz Elks goes toward special needs and disadvantaged children and veterans

Contact: (734) 453-1780 or e-mail to plymouthelks1780@yahoo.com

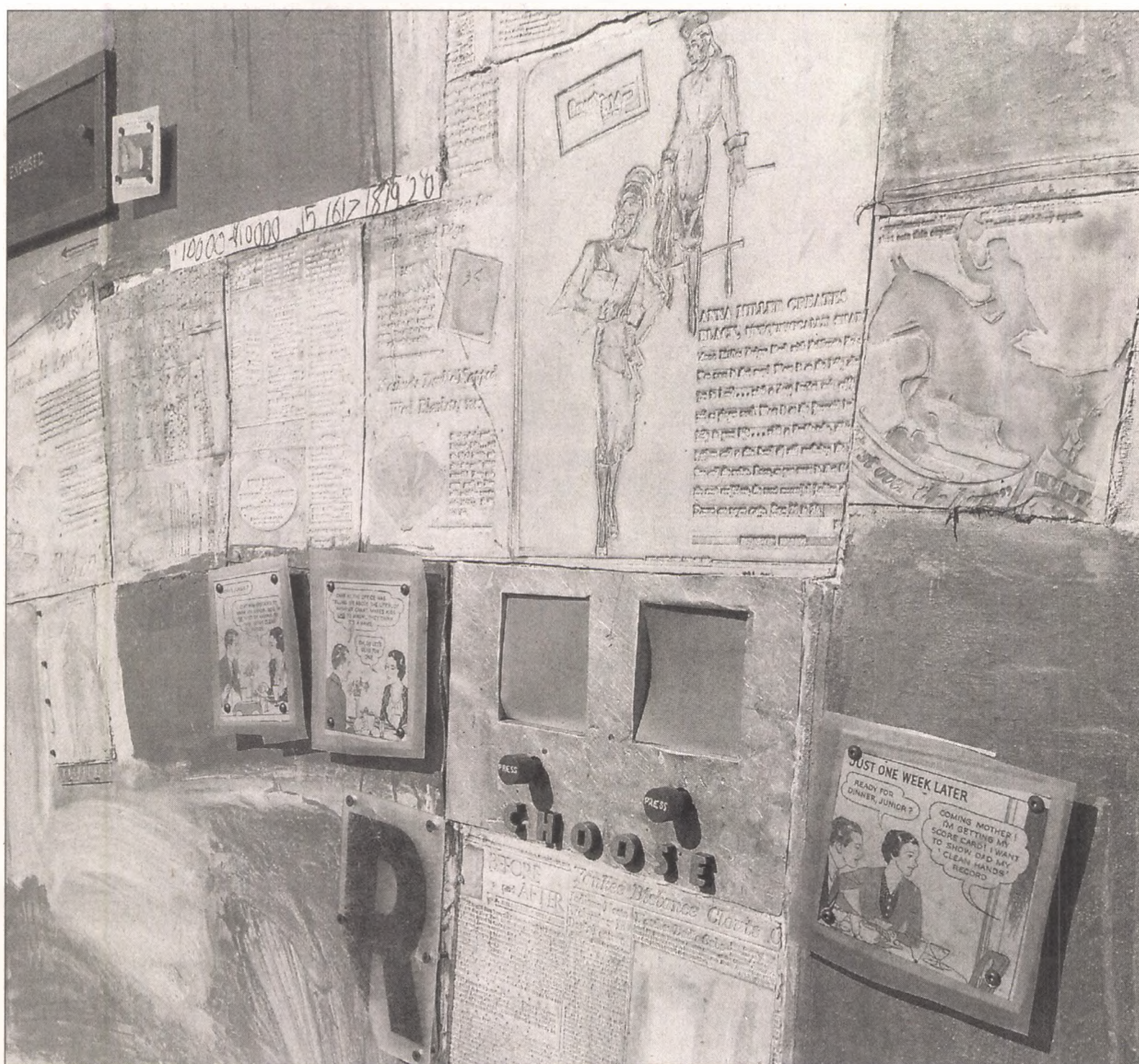


Exhibit to examine voting

With the 2012 presidential election just around the corner, the Northville Art House will present an eclectic artistic vision of this year's political fun as area artists respond to the election process. This year's "Vote for Me!" exhibit continues an election year tradition the Art House began in 2008. Participating artists include Adnan Charara, Topher Crowder, Sergio DeGiusti, Carl Demeulenaere, Darcel Deneau, Rocco DePietro, John Dinzer, Matthew Hanna, Deb Hyde, Lester Johnson, Dennis Michael Jones, Nora Chapa Mendoza, Eric Mesko, Sabrina Nelson, Craig Paul Nowak, Gloria Pritschet, Victor Pytko, Jarie Ruddy, Senghor Reid, Julie Sabit, Gilda Snowden, Jack Summers, Joan Potter Thomas and Larry Zdeb. The show is curated by Jeff Cancelosi. The show will open in the Art House's upper gallery with a reception and artists' talk on Friday, Oct. 5, from 6-9 p.m., AND continue through Oct. 27 during the Art House Gallery hours (Wednesdays-Saturdays, 1-5 p.m.). For additional information, call (248) 344-0497 or visit www.northvillearts.org. The Art House is located at 215 W. Cady Street and is a facility of the Northville Arts Commission. Admission to Art House shows is always free and open to the public.



George Hamilton (left) and Christopher Sieber will star in "Las Cage Aux Folles" Sept. 25-Oct. 7 at the Fisher Theatre in Detroit.

TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE

Time/Date: Most shows start at 8 p.m., doors open at 7:30 p.m.

Location: 38840 W. Six Mile, Livonia

Details: Seth Glier, Sept. 28; Chimney Choir, Sept. 29; Claude Bourbon with JB Davies, Oct. 6; Empty Chair

Night, Oct. 7; Sons of the Never Wrong, Oct. 12; Erik Brandt and Noah Riemer, Oct. 13; Around the House - A Trinity House Theatre Variety Show, Oct. 19. Most shows tickets are \$15, and \$12 for subscribers. Only cash and checks are accepted

Contact: (734) 464-6302

Something different

DETROIT ZOO

Time/Date: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. daily

Location: I-696 service drive and Woodward, Royal Oak

Details: Admission is \$11



Sons of the Never Wrong performs Oct. 12 at Trinity House Theatre in Livonia.

for adults 15 to 61, \$9 for senior citizens 62 and older, and \$7 for children ages 2 to 14; children under 2 are free.

Contact: (248) 541-5717

Theater

FISHER THEATRE

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, through Oct. 7

Location: 3011 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit

Details: George Hamilton and Christopher Sieber star in "La Cage Aux Folles." Tickets are \$40-\$80 and includes parking and are available at www.ticketmaster.com, www.BroadwayinDetroit.com, or (800) 982-2787

Contact: (313) 872-1000

TWO MUSES

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 28-29; 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 30

Location: Barnes & Noble Theatre Space, 6800 Orchard Lake, West Bloomfield

Details: "A Little Work," a new comedy by Anita Diamant and Stephen McCuley. Tickets are \$18 and \$15; \$2 more at the door. Buy tickets directly from Sidney Bonvallet of Farmington Hills and Two Muses Theater will donate 40 percent of the ticket price to Bonvallet's charity, Helping Hands Touching Hearts, which plans to build two classrooms for Venda Villages in Messina, South Africa

Contact: Bonvallet at (248) 514-3022

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Sweet and Spicy Pork Mini-Kabobs

Tailgating heats up with pork

Is your tailgating grub feeling a little fatigued? Everybody loves classics like wings, chips and dips, but it might be time to give these standbys a break.

Score big at your next tailgate with crowd-pleasing, creative pork dishes. Pork's versatility and its ability to pair with a variety of ingredients make it perfect for bringing people together.

Sweet and Spicy Pork Mini-Kabobs offer a fun, inspired twist that takes tailgating food to the next level. In this effortlessly mouthwatering recipe, tender chunks of pork are infused with flavor from chili powder, peppers, pineapple and a sweet glaze. Served as a starter or main dish, these tasty mini-kabobs are sure to bring even more playful fun to game day.

For more tailgating inspiration and pork recipes, visit the National Pork Board at www.PorkBeInspired.com, www.FaceBook.com/PorkBeInspired and www.Pinterest.com/PorkBeInspired. Also, be sure to follow @allaboutpork on Twitter for timely recipes and tips.

Sweet and Spicy Pork Mini-Kabobs

Makes: 24 servings (8 to 12 small plates)

24 bamboo skewers (6-inches), soaked in water for 30 minutes, drained
3 pounds pork tenderloin, silver skin removed, cut into 48 (1-inch) pieces
2 tablespoons chili powder
2 teaspoons salt
½ ripe pineapple, peeled, cored, and cut into 24 (1-inch) pieces

1 large red bell pepper, cored and cut into 24 (1-inch) pieces
⅓ cup honey
2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
Preheat broiler with rack about 8 inches from heat source.

Toss pork with chili powder and salt. Thread 2 pieces of pork and 1 each of pineapple and red pepper pieces on each skewer.

Wrap exposed end of each skewer with foil to discourage scorching.

Mix honey and vinegar together for glaze.

Broil, turning occasionally and brushing well with glaze during last 2 minutes, until pork is barely pink when pierced with tip of knife, about 8 minutes. Serve warm.

— Courtesy of Family Features

Snacks to keep you active and energized

Whether you're out on the golf course, going for a jog, or running errands all day, feeling hungry can make it hard to be at your best. Healthy snacks, however, can keep you fueled and focused.

Having nutritious snacks on hand is a smart way to go, but it's challenging to find a snack that tastes great and can be easily tucked away in a sports bag.

"A healthy snack like almonds can give you the satisfying crunch and punch you need to lead an active life," says Robert Yang, R.D. and founder of The Performance Lab. "They're portable and packed with nutrients."

A handful of almonds can be an active person's best friend:

- They're not only cholesterol-free, but also have protein, fiber and unsaturated fats.
- A single serving, which is about 23, makes a great snack, providing 13 grams of unsaturated fat, only one gram of saturated fat, six grams of protein and three-and-a-half grams of fiber.
- Almonds are also rich in vitamin E, an excellent source of magnesium and manganese, and a good source of fiber,

copper, phosphorous and riboflavin.

When compared ounce for ounce, almonds are the tree nut highest in protein, fiber, calcium, vitamin E, riboflavin and niacin.

"No matter what sport you're playing, or how busy you are, feeling energized helps you perform better," says pro golfer D.A. Points. "I always keep a stash of almonds in my golf bag for a quick snack."

Whole almonds are the perfect snack to sustain energy throughout the day, and can be enjoyed in a number of different ways: seasoned, spiced, roasted, glazed and plain.

Here are some delicious — and nutritious — ways to enjoy an energizing snack:

- Make your own Honey-Roasted Almonds with soy sauce, honey, orange peel, garlic and ginger.
- Combine chocolate and almonds in a Backpacker's Superbar you can take with you to the golf course or anywhere.
- Try this Almond Crunch Granola, with rolled oats, coconut, cinnamon, honey and toasted almonds. Put some into a snack-sized zip top bag for an anytime energizer.

For additional energizing snacking tips, and to create your own custom snack mix with the Almond Snack Generator, visit www.AlmondBoard.com/ProSnacker.

Almond Crunch Granola

This granola is packed with good ingredients, as well as vitamin E. It's also low in sodium. Eat a handful or sprinkle it on berries or yogurt.

Servings: 12

1 cup slivered almonds, toasted
2 ½ cups rolled oats (either old-fashioned or quick cooking)
1 cup flaked coconut
¼ teaspoon cinnamon
½ cup honey
½ cup almond or vegetable oil

Preheat oven to 350° F. Combine toasted almonds with oats, coconut and cinnamon. Whisk honey with oil and drizzle over almond-oat mixture, tossing to mix well. Bake 30 minutes, stirring occasionally. Remove from oven, loosen with spatula and cool.

Tip: To toast almonds: Spread almonds in a single layer in shallow pan. Place in cold oven, toast at 350° F, 9-11 minutes, stirring occasionally, until lightly toasted. Cool on counter.

Cinnamon Glazed Almonds

Created by Almond Board of California
Whip up a batch and make sure to keep a stash hidden in your kitchen pantry when in the midst of a snack attack

Servings 12

½ cup butter
2 egg whites, at room temperature
Pinch of salt
1 cup sugar
3 cups whole natural California almonds
4 teaspoon cinnamon

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Place butter on 15 ½-by 10 ½-inch jellyroll pan; place in oven to melt butter (about 7 minutes). Meanwhile, beat egg whites with salt until frothy; gradually add sugar, beating into stiff peaks. Gently fold in almonds and cinnamon. Pour almond mixture onto jellyroll pan; toss with butter. Bake about 40 minutes, tossing every 10 minutes, until almonds are crisp. Serve warm or at room temperature. Store cooled almonds in airtight container up to 2 weeks.

Parmesan Herb Almonds

Created by the Almond Board of California
Servings 8

¾ cup grated Parmesan cheese
1 tablespoon Italian herb seasoning
1 ½ teaspoon garlic powder
½ teaspoon paprika
2 egg whites

2 cups whole natural almonds, roasted

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. In a small bowl, mix all ingredients except egg whites and almonds; set aside. In large bowl, whisk egg whites until they begin to form soft peaks and are opaque. Add almonds; toss to coat. Add cheese mixture; toss gently to coat evenly. Oil, or coat a baking sheet with vegetable cooking spray. Arrange almonds on baking sheet in single layer. Bake in center of oven 15 minutes. Gently toss almonds and arrange again in single layer. Continue to bake 15 minutes longer; toss gently. Turn off oven. Leave almonds in oven with door ajar 20 minutes. Remove from oven; cool completely. Store in airtight container up to one week.

Almonds Mocha

Created by Almond Board of California
Servings 8

6 tablespoons sugar
2 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder
1 tablespoon instant coffee granules
1 egg white
2 cups whole natural almonds

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. In container of electric blender, combine all ingredients except egg white and almonds. Blend 30 seconds, pulsing on and off; set aside. In large bowl, whisk egg white until opaque and frothy. Add almonds; toss to coat. Add sugar mixture; toss gently to coat evenly. Oil, or coat a baking sheet with vegetable cooking spray. Arrange almonds on baking sheet in single layer. Bake in center of oven 15 minutes. Gently toss almonds and arrange again in single layer. Continue to bake 15 minutes longer; toss gently. Turn off oven. Leave almonds in oven with door ajar 15 minutes. Remove from oven; cool completely. Store in airtight container up to two weeks.

Courtesy of Family Features

Wholesome, naturally delicious meals made easy

When you've got a lot on your plate, it can be hard to put wholesome, great-tasting food on your family's plates. Planning meals around simple, tasty ingredients can make mealtime a lot easier on you - and a lot better for them.

When grocery shopping, think simple, colorful and natural:

Simple Ingredients — Simple often means delicious:

- Cheese can be used as a snack, on sandwiches and salads, in main dishes - it's a versatile, family-friendly ingredient. Take advantage of free samples at the grocery store to try new varieties.

- Pasta makes meal time super easy. Try tiny orzo in soups, corkscrew pasta in homemade mac and cheese, and spaghetti.

- A peanut butter and jelly sandwich using natural peanut butter, a natural fruit spread and 2 slices of whole wheat bread is less than \$1 a sandwich. Add a glass of low-fat milk and a piece of fruit, this is a protein packed and budget-friendly snack. For a twist on this classic meal, try these recipes for Peanut Butter and Jelly Pita, or PB&J Parfaits.

- Add Color to the Menu - Incorporating colorful fruits and vegetables not only adds great flavor, but plenty of good nutrition, too.

- Buy extra red, green, orange and yellow bell peppers when they're on sale, as well as white onions, then chop up and freeze some for later use.

- Apples come in yellows, greens and lots of reds. They store for quite a while, so buy plenty for snacking on whole, or enjoying in this recipe for a tasty PB and J Pita.

- Dark-skinned purple and blue fruits tend to have more natural antioxidant power than their lighter-skinned counterparts. Look for eggplant, plums, raisins, purple potatoes, and fresh grapes. Also, 100 percent juice made with Concord grapes is another way to add purple fruit to the diet and to liven up your day.

Naturally Healthy — Whole foods bring a lot of nutrition to the table:

- Get some good protein from nuts and lean meats. When you grill chicken, grill up a few extra pieces to be used in a salad or sandwich the next day. Sprinkle almonds onto your salad or morning oatmeal for an extra energy boost.

- Whole grains are an easy way to get everyone to eat a little better. "Multi-Grain" isn't the same as "whole grain," so make sure the label lists whole grains first in the ingredients list.

- Herbs are a terrific way to add fla-



A twist on the sandwich, this Peanut Butter and Jelly Parfait is made with grape or strawberry jelly spread, nonfat vanilla yogurt, peanut butter, granola, banana and strawberries.

avor without adding sodium or calories. Kid-friendly herbs include thyme, oregano, parsley and rosemary. Sprinkle some on oven-baked potatoes for an easy side dish.

You can find more delicious family-friendly recipes for any meal at www.welchs.com/pbjrecipes.

Peanut Butter and Jelly Parfaits

Makes 4 servings

½ cup grape or strawberry Spread
1 ¼ cups nonfat vanilla yogurt
½ cup natural chunky or creamy peanut butter
1 cup crunchy granola cereal
1 medium banana, sliced
1 cup sliced strawberries

Microwave jelly, in a microwave-safe bowl, at high 30 seconds or until melted. Drizzle 1 tablespoon down sides of each parfait glass; set aside.

Combine yogurt with peanut butter in medium bowl. Spoon ½ of peanut butter mixture into each parfait glass. Top each with 2 tablespoons cereal, then ½ of the fruit; repeat. Drizzle with remaining jelly. Garnish, if desired, with mint leaves.

PB and J Pita

Makes 1 serving

3 tablespoons Concord grape or strawberry jelly
3 tablespoons natural creamy peanut butter
1 8-inch whole wheat pita bread, toasted if desired
½ cup chopped apple, sliced banana and/or raisins

Evenly spread peanut butter and jelly on pita bread. Top with apple and raisins.

Courtesy of Family Features



Almond Crunch Granola

Family home will always hold a special place in my heart

By Julie Brown
O&E Staff Writer

That recent Tuesday held a double dose of good news at the end of the workday. Our niece called to announce her engagement, and my husband and I were ecstatic. Her sister is also getting married next year and in the throes of wedding planning. Both young women plan 2013 weddings, one in June and her sister in the fall, which brought back fond memories of our own Sept. 9, 1989, wedding.

The second call was more commercial but also carried an emotional wallop. My sister called to say that our parents' house, after just over a week on the market, had received a respectable offer.



Julie Brown

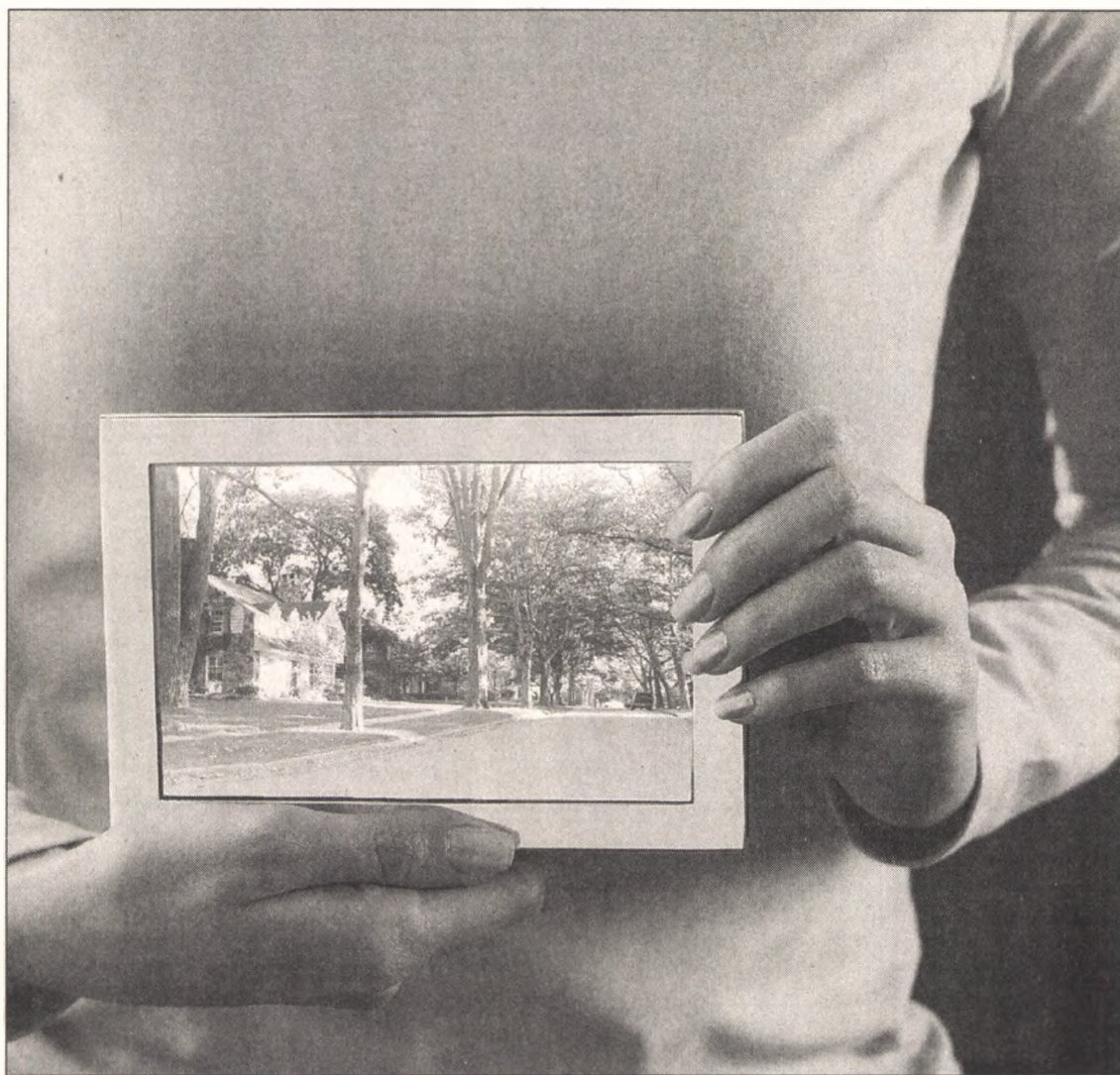
I'd heard from Realtor friends and sources that good homes in good neighborhoods are going fast now, receiving multiple offers within days of going on the market.

Even so, I was unprepared to say goodbye to our homey four-bedroom colonial in Bloomfield Township.

I moved, while still single, to a Plymouth Township bungalow in 1988 and am used to that being home now. It's a great neighborhood and we've been happy. Still, part of me clings to that childhood home, where I moved in as a 6-year-old first-grader excited about having my own room.

My sister and I had shared a room in our previous Royal Oak home. My own room meant decorating decisions, having friends over and even inviting my sister, older by two years, to sleep over, a Christmas Eve tradition we shared for years.

Like most sisters, it wasn't all sweetness and light, but she was kind enough to tell me for several years she thought she'd heard Santa's reindeer on



the roof. We found our beloved dolls in the garage of our parents' home, much of their hair "loved off." Family photos brought back so many good memories, even if we weren't sure who all the people were.

Our dad died in 1999 at age 74, and we lost mom this past April at a still-spry 85. My sister and brother-in-law did the lion's share of cleaning out and sprucing up the Bloomfield house, with my husband and me joining them on weekends.

There's still the door frame where our parents marked our heights in pencil by name, although it's been painted over. I found some college correspondence — letters! — I'd written and received. It was as

if my grandmas and great-aunt in St. Louis, Mo., were with us again.

A freshman year letter from a girlfriend at another Michigan college revealed her excitement at going to a dance with a young man who was a sophomore. I've adapted to e-mail as necessary, but was still glad to find that treasure trove of letters.

Some of the homes in my parents' neighborhood have been tear-downs, replaced by larger and newer homes. My sister held out hope that a new young couple or family would find our home appealing, and build some memories of their own there.

It looks like that's going to

happen, and we're glad, both for them and for ourselves. The Plymouth Township home I share with my husband was previously home to an older couple; we've made some changes, but I hope they're looking down and happy with what we've done.

Homes are certainly an investment, and that part of them has been a challenge in recent years. I'm glad to know my childhood home will be home to a new family, and wish them all the best.

Julie Brown is presentation editor for the Observer & Eccentric/Hometown Newspapers. She can be reached at jcbrown@hometownlife.com.

Learn about condo operations

A four-week course on Successful Condominium Operation is being offered by real estate expert Robert Meisner beginning Oct. 2.

It is designed for persons who are interested in serving on a board of directors of a condominium, cooperative or community association, as well as developers and managing agents who are assisting these boards. All attendees receive a complimentary copy of Meisner's booklet, *Condominium Operation: Getting Started and Staying on the Right Track*.

Participants will learn about:

- Collection of assessments and enforcement of restrictions and bylaws by the association.
- Ways to avoid and protect directors and officers from potential liability.
- Which amendments to condominium documents are needed to comply with laws.
- FHA and improve efficiency and marketability.
- The legal and fiduciary responsibilities of directors and officers.
- Dealing with the new FHA certification requirements which may affect the marketability of units in your association.
- How the statutes in the State of Michigan affect officers and directors of a condominium and/or homeowners association.
- Parliamentary procedures and the four essential audits.
- Solving problems with developers concerning abandoned projects

The program will be held 7-9 p.m. on Oct. 2, 9, 16 and 23 at the Meisner Law Group offices at 30200 Telegraph Road, Suite 467, in Bingham Farms.

Meisner is the founding member of The Meisner Law Group, P.C. He has represented numerous condominium, homeowner and community associations, developers and builders in all facets of operation, throughout his more than 40 years as an attorney, as well as general counsel to the United Condominium Owners of Michigan since its inception.

Cost of the course is \$95 per person; \$85 for additional attendees from same association. Go to www.meisner-law.com or call (248) 644-4433.

REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

Short sales

If you owe more than what your house is worth, you may be interested in a free informational seminar on short sale procedures and what it takes to get started. Many sellers are misinformed or not sure about how the procedures work. Organizers will also discuss the internal workings of short sales and the different steps involved. Bonnie David, broker/owner of Quantum Real Estate is the presenter. It will be 6-7 p.m. Thursdays at 129 N. Lafayette, downtown South Lyon. Additional parking across the street in back. Please call the office at (248) 782-7130 or e-mail june.quantum@gmail.com for your reservation or additional information.

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of June 18-22, 2012, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

CANTON	
48827 Amelia Ct	\$345,000
43145 Applewood Rd	\$156,000
2531 Barkhill Rd	\$75,000
2532 Barkhill Rd	\$77,000
42523 Beechwood Dr	\$185,000
1640 Bennington Ct	\$68,000
7777 Charrington Ct	\$205,000
539 Cherry Hill Pointe Dr	\$128,000
39784 Fox Valley Dr	\$120,000
48606 Greenwich Cir	\$280,000
7305 Haverhill Ct S	\$405,000
8720 Holly Dr	\$117,000
44845 Leslie Ln	\$194,000
8391 Orhan St	\$131,000
2037 Premier Ln	\$75,000
42417 Redfern St	\$100,000
2409 River Woods Dr N	\$230,000
4629 Southbridge Dr	\$106,000
44842 Spinning Wheel Dr	\$155,000
4195 Strathmore Ln	\$135,000
403 Sylvan Dr	\$392,000

1253 W Crystal Cir	\$157,000
6178 Winter Dr	\$154,000
47208 Woodlong Dr	\$296,000
46743 Woodside Dr	\$267,000
47097 Yarmouth Dr	\$335,000
GARDEN CITY	
28763 Barton St	\$49,000
33070 Barton St	\$53,000
33452 Florence St	\$80,000
31335 Rosslyn Ave	\$69,000
28956 Sheridan St	\$40,000
LIVONIA	
14561 Arden St	\$83,000
14034 Ashurst St	\$235,000
18968 Brentwood St	\$48,000
29510 Bretton St	\$65,000
35417 Brookview Dr	\$215,000
11565 Cavell St	\$55,000
28465 Cleveland St	\$106,000
20440 Ellen Dr	\$325,000
9912 Fairfield St	\$100,000
14312 Fairway St	\$107,000
18514 Flamingo Blvd	\$103,000
35413 Gardner St	\$260,000
38560 Grennada St	\$139,000
8863 Hartel St	\$150,000
10005 Hubbard St	\$83,000
36969 Lancaster St	\$156,000
38438 Lapham Ct	\$252,000
35972 Leon St	\$78,000
9047 Oporto St	\$92,000

8988 Pere Ave	\$130,000
37750 Pickford Dr	\$240,000
20036 Pollyanna Dr	\$205,000
34764 Saint Martins St	\$263,000
14368 Stonehouse Ave	\$152,000
32953 Summers St	\$160,000
20009 Sunbury St	\$98,000
11055 Sunset St	\$151,000
18417 University Park Dr	\$40,000
29699 W Chicago St	\$80,000
NORTHVILLE	
15991 Brook Trout Ln	\$135,000
19480 Cardene Ct	\$135,000
40477 Delta Dr	\$370,000
48341 Four Seasons Blvd	\$140,000
48224 Heather Ct	\$160,000
18889 Heather Ridge Dr	\$589,000
16074 Johnson Creek Dr	\$144,000
16145 Johnson Creek Dr	\$147,000
16054 Morningside	\$121,000
20165 Silver Spring Dr	\$58,000
48687 Stoneridge Dr	\$540,000
20297 Woodhill Dr	\$370,000
PLYMOUTH	
14732 Greenbriar Ct	\$200,000
11751 Hopkins Dr	\$455,000
48200 Joy Rd	\$44,000
543 Leicester St	\$205,000
522 N Harvey St	\$197,000
566 N Harvey St	\$208,000
40638 Newport Dr	\$62,000

40815 Newport Dr	\$44,000
433 Pacific St	\$203,000
11676 Parkview Dr	\$162,000
730 Penniman Ave	\$255,000
13065 Portsmouth Xing	\$335,000
11617 Spicer Dr	\$185,000
REDFORD	
11312 Appleton	\$48,000
8900 Fenton	\$70,000
25961 Fordson Hwy	\$65,000
26731 Glendale	\$60,000
9336 Hemingway	\$80,000
9527 Kinloch	\$54,000
19389 Kinloch	\$32,000
17396 Olympia	\$36,000
26622 Student	\$40,000
9600 Tecumseh	\$15,000
12751 Tecumseh	\$45,000
20510 Wakenden	\$30,000
WESTLAND	
31757 Arenac Ct	\$32,000
31202 Cooley Blvd	\$103,000
1259 Dowling Ct	\$90,000
5875 Huff St	\$190,000
29128 Manchester St	\$22,000
7421 Manor Cir	\$33,000
33043 Melton St	\$70,000
720 N Byfield St	\$89,000
662 Ravencrest Ln	\$84,000
34344 Somerset St	\$53,000

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of June 4-8, 2012, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

BEVERLY HILLS	
19017 Saxon Dr	\$485,000
BIRMINGHAM	
432 Arlington St	\$1,325,000
494 Aspen Rd	\$585,000
1943 Bradford Rd	\$251,000
1813 Derby Rd	\$155,000
712 Fairfax St	\$470,000
1979 Fairway Dr	\$592,000
767 Harmon St	\$800,000
1563 Lakeside Dr	\$400,000
968 Madison St	\$300,000
1115 N Old Woodward Ave Unit	\$155,000
520 Puritan Ave	\$888,000
876 Stanley Blvd	\$670,000
2115 W Lincoln St	\$520,000
1345 Washington Blvd	\$985,000
175 Wimbledon Dr	\$325,000
943 Worthington Rd	\$339,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	

4073 Willoway Place Dr	\$220,000
5819 Pentland Rd	\$235,000
2025 Quarton Rd	\$375,000
1831 Stonycroft Ln	\$175,000
1044 Stratford Ln	\$117,000
2830 Theford Rd	\$390,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	
2737 Amberly Rd	\$558,000
4090 Antique Ln	\$290,000
1965 Devonshire Rd	\$268,000
2651 Douglas Dr	\$210,000
3660 Halla Ln	\$295,000
476 Henley Dr	\$266,000
2758 Hunters Way	\$290,000
502 Newburne Pointe	\$208,000
1630 South Hill Cir	\$118,000
4544 Wagon Wheel Dr	\$337,000
128 Hamilton Rd	\$365,000
COMMERCE TOWNSHIP	
6147 Birchcrest Ln	\$390,000
4625 Commerce Woods Dr	\$197,000
5678 Strawberry Cir	\$358,000
FARMINGTON	
31582 Lamar Dr	\$93,000
FARMINGTON HILLS	
23301 Derby Ln	\$191,000
38209 Fern Pond	\$270,000
26607 Greythorne Trl	\$177,000
29198 Hemlock Ct	\$182,000
21610 Jacksonville St	\$77,000

35975 King Edward Dr	\$265,000
30845 Leelane	\$154,000
29501 Medbury St	\$106,000
21911 Parklane St	\$215,000
25275 Power Rd	\$120,000
21507 Randall St	\$115,000
31158 Squire Ln	\$360,000
30949 Sudbury St	\$185,000
24117 Tana Ct	\$135,000
31993 W 12 Mile Rd Unit 302	\$28,000
30052 W 12 Mile Rd Unit 67	\$33,000
21550 Woodcrest Ct	\$260,000
FRANKLIN	
25045 Franklin Park Dr	\$315,000
26104 German Mill Rd	\$240,000
LATHRUP VILLAGE	
27623 Rackham Dr	\$154,000
17576 Sunnybrook Ave	\$108,000
MILFORD	
601 Duchess St	\$148,000
934 Panorama Dr	\$90,000
NOVI	
29936 Brush Park Ct	\$328,000
25942 Glenmoor	\$301,000
44458 Gwinnett Loop	\$150,000
44478 Gwinnett Loop	\$156,000
27616 Harrington Way	\$270,000
28099 Hewes Ln	\$157,000
31018 Seneca Ln	\$180,000

23737 Stonehenge Blvd	\$50,000
47255 Sunnybrook Ln	\$480,000
40570 Village Wood Rd	\$165,000
29272 Weston Dr	\$178,000
SOUTH LYON	
1009 Birchway Ct	\$259,000
60495 Deer Creek Dr	\$225,000
24267 Heatherwood Dr	\$163,000
25906 Hunters Ln	\$285,000
25340 Meadow Ct	\$310,000
1174 Shetland Dr	\$248,000
52527 Trailwood Dr	\$100,000
SOUTHFIELD	
25420 Catalina St	\$104,000
27115 Devonshire St	\$89,000
29544 Fairfax St	\$30,000
29230 Heritage Ct	\$70,000
30580 Pierce St	\$74,000
28401 River Crest Dr	\$95,000
20281 Rodeo Ct	\$68,000
30240 Southfield Rd # A261	\$40,000
30012 Spring River Dr	\$120,000
18440 W Nine Mile Rd	\$55,000
29990 Wildbrook Dr # 101	\$41,000
WHITE LAKE	
9940 Burgess Ct	\$120,000
324 Dakota Ln	\$208,000
8269 Fox Bay Dr	\$94,000
1159 Pinecrest Dr	\$325,000

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FARMINGTON HILLS: Mostly antiques and household holds, snow blower, scroll saw & toys. Thurs-Sat 9-5pm. 31600 Trestlan, W off Orchard, S of 11

FARMINGTON HILLS: Moving/Garage Sale. 32403 Nestlewood, 48334. Signs Posted. Fri-Sun. 10-4. For directions: 248-217-2692

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LIVONIA: 30026 Bentley. Sept. 28-30, 9-5. Furniture, tools, kids clothes, Avon collectibles, Cape Cod dishes, Navity Set, jewelry, bed spreads, curtains.

LIVONIA: 4 family sale! Thurs-Sat. Sept. 27-29, 9-30-4:30pm. 28198 Acacia, btwn Schoolcraft & Inkster.

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LIVONIA - Garage/ Antique sale! 15422 Goltview, 5 & Levan. Sept. 27-29th, 9-4pm. Furniture, antiques, ceramics, lamps, vintage bins & soap boxes, Hummel & Rockwell plates, Sony HTS5000 System, pictures, household & Christmas items, books, extension ladder, small to extra large men & women's clothing and boy's, and much more!

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LIVONIA: Moving Sale! Sept. 29, 10am-4pm. Newburgh & 5 Mile, 15023 Norman. 50's oak dining room set, couch, loveseat, chest freezer, sleeper sofa, dressers, Christmas items, misc., tools, household wares, books & some vintage items. NO EARLY BIRDS!

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