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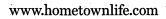
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Recusals force landlord case to Plymouth

BY TONY BRUSCATO OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

As Detroit's 36th District Court judges fight Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy's attempts to have all of them recused in the criminal case involving Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick — despite ties by many of them to the mayor — the nearly three dozen judges have recused themselves in a 2-yearold landlord-tenant case and remanded it to Plymouth's 35th District Court.

In a letter signed by 36th District Court Chief Judge Marylin Atkins to the State Court Administrative Office in Detroit. the

judges recused

themselves



because "a witness in this case is a member of the Third Judicial Circuit Court bench and because our court has

significant interactions with that court, I believe that it is in the best interest of all parties to have this case reassigned to another court." In the Kilpatrick case, despite the fact that one of the 36th District Court judges - Ruth Carter - is scheduled to testify, they refuse to recuse themselves from hearing the preliminary examination. The landlord-tenant case stems from non-payment by a client living in a cooperative in Detroit. The plaintiff's lawyer, Creighton Gallup of Pentiuk, Couvreur & Kobilijak in Wyandotte, said "it's ridiculous" the time afforded to avoiding his client's case, which is nowhere near as controversial as that involving Kilpatrick. "This case lacks all the nuances that the Kilpatrick case does, and to turn this into one where our client can't have a day in court is so benign and innocuous," Gallup said. "Our client feels there's a bit of a double standard, that they're above and beyond on the Kilpatrick case, which is high profile. This is high profile to our client ... it's hitting him in the pocketbook. The judges are erring too much on the side of caution." Worthy said this kind of situation "happens all the time." "In our (Kilpatrick case) pleadings, we gave them examples of 20 cases like that where the District Court recused themselves over cases that were very minor," Worthy said. "It's unexplainable."



World War II veteran Gene Overholt of Plymouth accepts the flag from Lt. Col. J. Calvin White of Canton.

A tribute to dad

Flag honors teacher's father for World War II service

Holiday price hike

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Gas hits \$4 in time for Memorial Day

> **BY TONY BRUSCATO** OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Motorists who filled their tanks at the Sunoco gas station on Main Street in Plymouth didn't have to wait until the Memorial Day weekend to pay \$4 a gall for fuel.

While \$3.99 at many stations was close, Thursday morning regular soared to \$4.07 per gallon. Needless to say, business at the Sunoco was slow.

"It's taken a bite out of my weekly budget," Gloria Smith, 67, of Plymouth Township said while filling her tank. "In trying to shorten my trips. I was supposed to go grocery shopping today, but I'll save that until tomorrow when I'm out that way doing other things."

Smith said she and her husband will be traveling to Traverse City for a family vacation, but the high cost of gasoline could keep some of her children and grandchildren from joining them.

"We'll still go, but we probably won't go anywhere else," she said. "We cut down on driving during the week ... there are days I don't drive at all. I'm starting to ride my bike more; that's a good thing." Ken Berry, 58, of South Lyon, said he doesn't blame the oil companies as much as he does the U.S. Congress for not allowing more drilling in the United States.

Judge Michael Gerou would only confirm that the case has been assigned to him for adjudication in 35th District Court.

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Kym Worthy speaks to Kiwanis, A8

BY TONY BRUSCATO OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

An Army solder from Illinois who spent a year in Iraq reached across generations to honor a World War II veteran from Plymouth in a short, but emotional, ceremony at Veterans Memorial Park in Plymouth.

U.S. Army Reserve Maj. Nicole Gardner, with the help of Air National Guard Lt. Col. J. Calvin White — an assistant principal at Canton High School — surprised Gene Overholt with an American flag flown in his honor in Iraq.

"This flag was flown over the headquarters of the multi-national corps in Iraq in your honor during Operation Iraqi Freedom on Veterans Day 2007," White said to Overholt, 84, while presenting the flag. "Thank you for your service, it's greatly appreciated."

Overjoyed and with tears in his eyes, Overholt saluted White before taking hold of the flag.

"While spending those four years in World War II, little did I realize that 60-some years later I

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

What: Plymouth's annual Memorial Day parade

When: 8:30 a.m. Monday, May 26

■ Where: On Main Street, starting at Wing and ending at Veterans Memorial Park in front of Central Middle School

■ Details: Main Street will be closed from Wing to Union approximately 7-9 a.m. Traffic will not be able to cross Main Street at Penniman, Ann Arbor Trail and Church Street until after the parade. Traffic is also expected to be heavy in the area of Harvey and Wing Street prior to the start of the parade as parade units stage in the area.

would be paid this tribute," said Overholt, who served in the Army from 1943-46. "It brings back memories, some I would like to forget, but many that I will always remember ... especially this day."

In an e-mail, Gardner said she served in Baghdad for 12

months, just a portion of her 12 years in the Army. She's never met Overholt, but has met his daughter, Jodi Ring — via e-mail — after responding to letters sent by Ring's fifth-graders at Hulsing Elementary, who for the past 15 years have participated in the Mail to the Military program.

In fact, Ring's class won — for the sixth consecutive year — an award for being the top Michigan elementary to write letters.

"I just wanted a chance to recognize a veteran ... my way of saying thank you," Gardner wrote to Ring. "I cannot put into words my gratitude for those who serve, have served, especially those who did not have today's commodities and technology.

"When you talked about your dad in WW II, it was so amazing," Gardner added. "I just wanted to reach out to your dad and say, "Thank you, for everything."

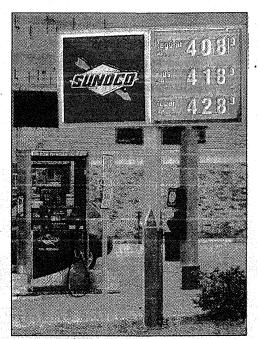
White, who has served two tours in Iraq, said honoring older veter--ans is important.

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"Our Congress is 100 percent to blame for the current prices," Berry said. "There is one simple solution, increase production ... ours, not begging the Saudis for theirs.

"The U.S. Senate should pay attention to what they were told by the CEO of Shell Oil (Wednesday) in hearings and start allowing drilling to occur where we have plenty access to oil," Berry added. "There's no reason we have to be held hostage by dictators, but our politicians become a little dictatorial on their own. They could approve building of a refinery here and there ... we haven't had one in over 30 years."

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By Friday evening, the price was up to \$4.08.

Rabbit shelter hops on \$5,000 prize

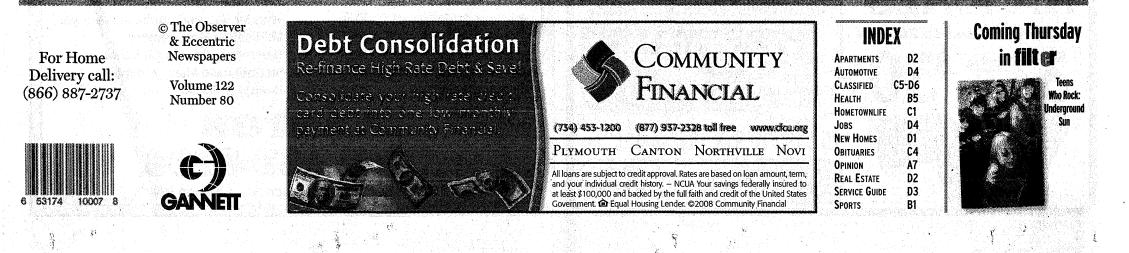
BY TONY BRUSCATO OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Midwest Rabbit and Rescue Re-Home in Plymouth will have to settle for a \$5,000 check from Zootoo.com because the pet lover's Web site selected a St. Louis dog rescue for a \$900,000 shelter makeover. The rabbit shelter at 882 N. Holbrook finished sixth in voting in an online contest in which 20 animal shelters were visited by Zootoo officials to determine which would receive the top prize. A \$10,000 prize was given to a second-place winner, with the remaining 18 shelters receiving a \$5,000 cash prize from Zootoo, plus another \$1,000 from the Pedigree pet food company.

"Every shelter was worthy, and every animal saved wonderful," said Midwest founder Dominique Moroz, the only rabbit shelter in the contest. "It raised a great deal of awareness about shelters, and we're grateful to Zootoo for that.

"The board is going to discuss the best way to spend the money," she added. "We previously had discussed putting aside some of the money for vet care and any other issues that come up."

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Senior health and fitness

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The Senior Transportation and the Council on Aging sponsor the second-annual Senior Health & Fitness Day 8 a.m. to noon Wednesday, May 28, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, located at 525 Farmer.

Participants will enjoy free health and fitness demonstrations, 20-plus vendors, raffles, give-a-ways, refreshments and much more. The community is invited to be a part of this day, which will also include the dedication of the new Senior Bus.

There will be free transportation to and from the Cultural Center for city and township seniors 60 or older. Call Senior Transportation at (734) 449-8888.

Durr fund-raiser

Dürr Systems, Inc. employees host their second-annual Wine/Beer Tasting Event and Silent Auction for Local Charities 5 p.m. Sunday, June 1 at Fiamma Grille in Plymouth.

The wine and beer tasting event and silent auction has been selected for the 2008 Dürr Systems annual charity project organized by the employees of the Plymouthbased automotive supplier. The general public is invited to sample an array of wines and beers and enjoy delicious appetizers while helping several local charities.

Dürr Systems employees have selected four charities to benefit from the fundraising event: The American Cancer Society, Just for Kids, Angela Hospice, and Capuchin Soup Kitchen.

The wine and beer tasting and auction runs 5-7 p.m.; a bar will be available 4-8

p.m t is \$35 after May 23 or at d r. For more information call (734) 416-9340.

Rotary golf

The 2008 Plymouth Rotary golf outing takes place ay, June 3, at Pheasant Run Golf Course in Canton. raised through this wonderful event are used to fund the club's yearly budget, which in turn contributes to numerous global and local charitable causes.

The cost to golf is \$165 per golfer or \$600 per foursome. Several sponsorships are still available, including hole sponsorships starting at \$250 Registration opens at 8 a.m. with an 18-hole scramble at 9 a.m. Registration includes breakfast, lunch and a banquet dinner with awards and prizes. For registration and sponsorship information please go to www.plymouthrotaryam. org or e-mail Tracy N. Danner at tnd@azllaw.com

HVA 911 camps

Huron Valley Ambulance conducts its free two-day annual Camp 9-1-1 day camps for 8- to 12-year-olds at two locations in western Wayne County, where space has been donated. All camps are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. both days.

The camp is scheduled July 17-18 at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, in Plymouth, and July 10-11 at the Michigan Boathouse at Belleville Lake, 50745 Van Buren Park in Belleville.

The day camp's activities include touring an ambulance, learning CPR, and visiting a local emergency room. HVA Paramedics and EMTs serve as "camp counselors," teaching campers about safety at home and at play, how to perform lifesaving skills on injured victims, and all about Emergency Services careers. Registration is first-come, first-served and enrollment is limited to 30 participants. There are limited spaces available.

For a registration form or more information, call Jason Trojan, Camp 9-1-1 Coordinator, at (734) 477-6781 or e-mail him at jtrojan@hva.org

Community praise concert

Risen Christ Lutheran Church at 46250 Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth will be hosting a community concert 7 p.m. Friday, June 6.

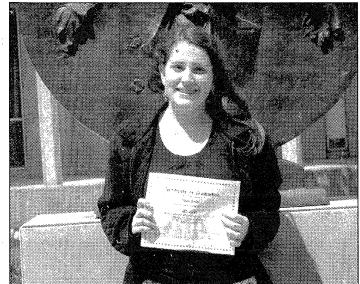
The concert is called "Kaleidoscope" and will feature Musical Praise Teams from six different area churches. Refreshments and fellowship will start at 7 p.m. and the concert will begin at 7:30 pm. The church will have a nursery and activities for children available during the concert. The concert will feature the best of contemporary Christian music as selected by our local church Praise Teams. The entire community is invited to attend. Dress is casual.

Fall festival

The Plymouth Fall Festival is accepting applications for its Craft Show that takes place during the Fall Festival, scheduled for Sept. 5-7. Ten-by-ten foot spots will be \$75 per day or \$200 for the three-day weekend.

Applications are available to download at www.plymouthfallfestival.com or for more information call Colleen Brown at (734) 455-1614. Businesses interested in participating in the Plymouth Fall Festival Sept. 5-7 may sponsor the entertainment venues, or have a booth downtown during the festival. Sponsorships can include ads in the Fall Festival Guide, banners on the stage, and many other great ways to get expo-

Observer



Go-Girls honor

Alyssa Golles, a 13-year-old seventh-grader at Central Middle School in Plymouth, was recently chosen to take part in the Go-Girls Program at Wayne State University, a program designed for seventh-grade girls who show an aptitude for math and science. During a 10-week session, the girls explored career options in the math and science fields and completed a social science research project focused on school violence. The 60 girls chosen for the program graduated recently and were awarded their graduation certificates from program director Dr. Sally Roberts and State Senator Martha Scott. Alyssa lives in Canton with her parents, Cheryl and Chris Golles, and brothers Jared, Blaine and Austin.

sure for your business.

Visit www.plymouthfallfestival.com for application forms or call Colleen Brown at (734) 455-1614.

Preschool open house

The Salvation Army Tiny Tots Preschool is hosting an Open House 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, May 27. If you are considering sending your child to preschool in the fall, please stop in to experience our classroom. The Salvation Army is located at 9451 S. Main Street in Plymouth. For more information, call Sheila Johnson at (734) 453-5464, Ext 27.

Farrand scholarship

The Farrand Elementary School PTO is awarding two \$500 scholarships to graduating seniors who attended Farrand Elementary for at least three years (this can include kindergarten at Tanger). Applications are available at the counseling offices of the four Plymouth-Canton high schools, or e-mail an application request to goecke@gmail. com. The application deadline is May 31.

Chiefette bottle drive

Save yourself the hassle of returning those cans and bottles and support the Canton Chiefettes PomPon Team at the same time by donating returnables to the Canton Chiefettes during their spring bottle drive Saturday, May 31. The drive takes place 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., with the Canton Chiefettes traveling around area neighborhoods in the Plymouth-Canton School District to collect returnable bottles and cans.

Supporters can also drop off their returnable bottles and cans to the Canton North Building (also known as Phase 3) between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

For more information contact Chiefette parent Kimberly Mabie at kmabie@comcast.net.

Girl Scout camp

Space is still available in day camp or overnight camp for girls ages 5-17 at Camp Linden, the premier camp property of Girl Scouts of the Huron Valley Council.

Girl Scouts of the Huron Valley Council has a variety of exciting programs at Camp Linden, 400 minimally developed acres of woodland in northern Livingston County. Kayaking, swimming, exploring nature, sports, horseback riding and arts and crafts all these experiences and more await girls at Camp Linden this summer. All girls can attend, whether they have been Girl Scouts or

not. To enroll your daughter today, call 1-800-49-SCOUT.

Symphony fund-raiser

The Plymouth Symphony League launches its 2009 Greater Detroit Area Entertainment Book Sale.

For \$20, buyers get coupons that save money on a variety of entertainment activities like Plymouth Symphony Orchestra concerts, attrac

last). The 2009 edition of the Entertainment Book also includes a Platinum section, featuring special discount certificates for the "best of the best" restaurants in Metro Detroit, including Plymouth's own Ernesto's and the Whitney restaurant in Detroit.

Help the arts thrive in the community and place an order at the Plymouth Symphony Office by calling (734) 451-2112, Tuesday-Friday, 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information or the Plymouth Canton Symphony Society, visit the PSO Web site at www. plymouthsymphony.org

Book printer tour

Have you ever wanted to publish a book? Learn how when the Plymouth Senior Life Journaling Writing Group, sponsored by the Plymouth Community Council on Aging, tours McNaughton & Gunn, book printers, in Saline June 5.

Everyone is welcome and the tour is free but space is limited so registration is required. We will meet at the Plymouth Library at 9 a.m. to form car pools to leave at 9:15 am sharp. The tour is from 10-11:30 a.m. To register, call Jane at (734) 546-3260.

Bible study

The Salvation Army of Plymouth will hold a Precepts Bible Study on 2 Peter for nine weeks beginning Wednesday, May 28.

Study will be held at 7 p.m. at The Salvation Army, 9451 South Main Street in Plymouth. Material is \$14 and interested individuals should telephone the business office at (734) 453-5464 to register. Limited seats are available.

Kiwanis raffle

The Plymouth Kiwanis Club is having a raffle to raise money to benefit upcoming projects within the Plymouth community, including working with the Salvation Army, The Plymouth Opportunity House, First Step Women's Shelter, Kids Against Hunger and many other local needs.

The drawing is June 2 at Don Massey in Plymouth. The winner will have the choice of a two-year pre-paid lease on a 2008 Cadillac CTS (\$35,000 car) or \$8,000 cash.

Tickets are \$100 each, and only 200 will be sold. Tickets are currently half-sold with just under 30 days left. For more information, call Mark

a.m. The hike will be followed by a "Time of Remembrance" and a complimentary hot dog lunch. There will be lots of fun for kids and family entertainment.

New Hope Center for Grief Support is a Christian-based bereavement outreach center located in Northville. The nonprofit agency provides grief support services for adults, children, and teens through groups, seminars and other resources. All groups offered by New Hope Center are provided free of charge and the agency relies on individual and community support for its funding.

For more information about Hike for Hope or to participate, volunteer, or be a business sponsor, call the New Hope office at (248) 348-0115.

Comedy Night

The Plymouth Wildcats Football Booster Club will be sponsoring a Comedy Night at the Cherry Hill Village Theater on Saturday evening, June 7.

Canton Township Trustee Carl Zarbo will serve as the Master of Ceremonies. Comedians will include Andy Beningo, Mike Bobbit, Ben Konstantin, Bob Phillips, and Mike Bobbit.

Tickets are \$20 per person; you must be 19 years or older to attend the event. Doors open at 7 p.m., show runs from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Tickets include the show, light snacks, and a cash bar will be available.

To purchase tickets, contact Bill Ballelli at broncobill@ comcast.net. All proceeds will benefit the Plymouth Football Booster Club. The Club extends special thanks to Aspen Talent and to the Cherry Hill Village Theater for making this Comedy Night possible.

Comedy Night

To all aspiring comedians, think you're funny? Got your act together? Let us be the judge. Looking for comedians for a Comedy Night at the Cherry Hill Village Theater in Canton June 7 (TV audience material only).

Some appreciation prizes will be awarded based on tickets sales. The event is being sponsored by the Plymouth High School Football Booster club and all proceeds will benefit the Plymouth High School football program.

If you are interest in participating as a comic, or in attending, contact Tiffany at (313) 300-7620 or e-mail ekj90@sbcglobal.net

tions like the Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village, specialty stores, and fine and casual restaurants all

over the area. For a limited time only, with each purchase of a 2009 Entertainment book, customers will receive a 2008 book free (while supplies

Riegal at (7340 718-6176.

Hike for Hope

The New Hope Center for Grief Support hosts its "Hike for Hope," 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, June 7, at Maybury State Park (8 Mile entrance, a mile west of Beck, car fee of \$6). A registration fee of \$15 per person or \$25 per family will be charged prior to the event and \$20 per person or \$30 per family the day of the event; donations from sponsors

Cruisers walking

The PCCA Cruisers Walking Club brings community seniors together to enjoy a low impact form of exercise.

The group meets at the Plymouth Township Park at 9 a.m. Thursdays from May through October, to walk together on the fitness walking trails.

Call the Plymouth Community Council on Aging, (734) 453-1234, for more information.



LOCAL NEWS

Canton author: Liberating the heart key to happiness

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Helen Canty doesn't claim to be perfect in overcoming past hurts and walking in forgiveness, but when she's staring down a trying situation, she reaches for one of her favorite books, *Eclipse of the Heart*.

It doesn't hurt matters that she wrote the 160-page text.

"I read it all the time but it's as if I didn't write it myself. I just view it as material in front of me — although, if I must say, it's pretty good material," the Canton woman chuckled. "But I constantly have the opportunity to live out this book because I am serious about my heart being right."

Eclipse of the Heart, published by the Canton-based Zoe Life Publishing company, was released in February. Canty, who pastors with her husband, Fred, at Way of Life Christian Church, 47921 Michigan Avenue, says the idea for the book came from God.

"I always know right when God is speaking to me," she said, adding that she was laying in bed when she got the description that a person dealing with unresolved fear, denial and confusion has a covering over their heart. "The light of Christ is supposed to shine through our hearts and when we don't function like God intended, we have an eclipse of the heart."

Since the release of the book, which is dedicated to the author's three adult children and the Way of Life congregation, Canty has done book signings at Borders in Canton and at best-selling author Joel Osteen's mega church in Houston.

"This is a very exciting time because so much of me is in this book," she said. "It is very personal, so to see people respond is amazing. I just want people to walk away



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Author Helen Canty said the inspiration for her book, 'Eclipse of the Heart,' came from God.

knowing that nothing is too difficult for God. Nothing." Sabrina Adams of Zoe Life

met Canty by chance in 2006 and said she was impressed by the author's goal of helping people "live their best life."

"Our company is all about equipping people to overcome obstacles so I loved when she said that," said Adams, who runs Zoe Life with her husband, Brian.

Adams said she has read

Life is so much better with good friends.

Eclipse of the Heart several times for both professional and personal reasons.

"I always tease her (Canty) because certain areas of the book really address my life," she said. "So I'll call her and tell her that I'm mad at her because I now know I have to deal with issues instead of (ignoring them)."

Eclipse of the Heart is available at Borders, Barnes & Noble and www.amazon.com.

Council on Aging unveils new wheels

BY TONY BRUSCATO OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The second annual National Senior Health & Fitness Day at the Plymouth Cultural Center on Wednesday will include the unveiling of the new senior transportation bus.

"The two current buses have a lot of miles on them, and when one is being serviced we only have one on the road," said Bobbie Pummill, program coordinator for the Plymouth Community Council on Aging. "We plan on keeping

all three so we can have two running at all times."

The purchase of the new bus, which cost about \$80,000, was made possible with a \$40,000 grant from the Wilcox Foundation, which was matched with funding from Plymouth and Plymouth Township.

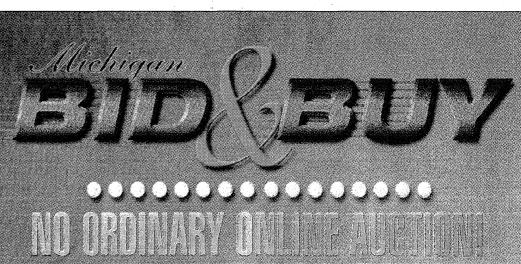
"The bus is very important for people who need to get to the grocery stores and medical appointments," said Phyllis Hess, 78, of Plymouth Township, who is a Council on Aging board member.

Along with the ribbon-cutting for the new bus, the day will include 31 booths from local companies that provide health and fitness programs for seniors.

"We want seniors to see what kinds of programs and activities are offered in and around our communities," said Pummill.

The event is scheduled from 8 a.m. until noon, with free blood pressure checks, refreshments and gifts. Seniors who need transportation can call (734) 459-8888.

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Wilcox group hands out annual scholarships

The Wilcox Foundation has awarded \$26,000 in college scholarships to 17 high school seniors who participated in an essay contest designed to teach students about the history of Plymouth.

The foundation was established by Jack Wilcox, a life-long resident of Plymouth, who died in June 2000. He wanted the foundation to benefit the Plymouth and Canton communities and encourage interest in local history while at the same time assisting in the education of students who reside in Plymouth and Canton.

Since its inception, the foundation has dished out more than \$259,000 in scholarships.

The program, unlike many scholarship programs, is not aimed solely at the top academic students, but rather is interested in promoting broad participation by Plymouth and Canton youth in learning about the history of Plymouth, said Win Schrader, a member of the Wilcox Foundation committee. Accordingly, the criteria for selecting participants is centered around the time and effort put into research, resourcefulness in tracking down sources of information and interest shown by the student.

The Wilcox Foundation scholarships can be used for any form of post high school education, including trade schools.

Four students -Christopher Blythe of Canton High School, Annika Bergmans and Alex Noble of Plymouth High School and Elissa Jolene Budziszewski of Salem High School - were awarded \$2,000 scholarships.

Ten \$1,500 scholarships were awarded, to Xin-Kan Su, Hilary Payne, Joanna Lu, Mark Edwards, Kayla Carmody (Canton), Jessica Liu, Stephen Liu, Anthony McLaughlin and Megan Mihelick (Plymouth), and **Rachel Van Campenhout** (Salem).

Lindsay Johnson and Danielle Thoe of Canton High School and Peter Nolan of Plymouth High School each earned \$1,000 scholarships.

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

On Mother's Day, moms were praised for the sacrifice of allowing their abdomens, as well as everything else, to swell in order to bring forth new life.

The next day, Jennifer Garrow of Stroller Strides was back to whipping some of those same women into prebaby shape.

"We were back at it," the Canton woman chuckled. "Everyone had cheesecake and spoiled themselves on (Mother's Day)."

Garrow, a mother of two young sons, Carson, 4, and Brendan, 2, created a franchise of the national exercise company two years ago.

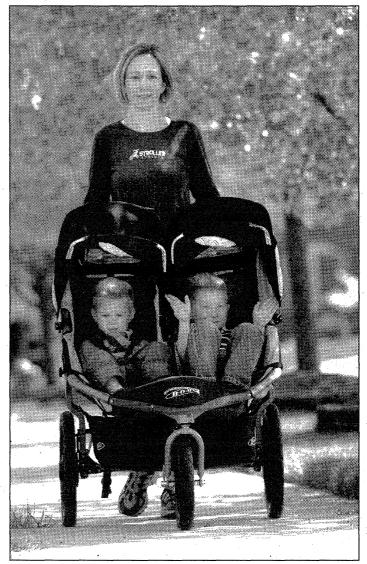
Women get a lot of attention when they are pregnant," she said. "But as soon as the baby comes, the mom falls back and that's the start of her not putting herself first. A lot of new moms feel guilty about taking time away from their babies to exercise."

That's where Stroller Strides hopes to come in.

Founded in 2001 by a San Diego woman, the program incorporates children in the effort to drop pounds and tone.

Garrow offers classes in Canton and Ann Arbor and infuses lunges, squats, jogging and bicep curls with walking. To keep the kids happy, the group sings songs and the children can blow bubbles.

When I went to my first class, I thought we were just going to walk around the mall



Stroller Strides works new moms back into shape

Stroller Strides owner Jennifer Garrow takes sons Brendan, 2, and Carson, 4, for a spin around the neighborhood.

and chit chat," she smirked. "After it was over, I vowed I would never go back because I thought they were trying to kill me. This is a real work out." Even so, Garrow said the

women of all fitness levels. "We can make modifications," she said. "We have people come that don't exercise to those than run marathons." Garrow, who started out

classes are appropriate for

STROLLER STRIDES

Owner: Jennifer Garrow Where, when: Canton classes are offered Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at 9 a.m. in Heritage Park. Ann Arbor classes are offered Tuesday and Thursday at 9 a.m. at Briarwood Mall.

Phone: (888) 669-4994 Web address: www.strollerstrides.net/canton

with four women and now has a group of 40, admits that some pregnancy weight can be stubborn but said she's baffled by introduction of "mommy packages" offered by cosmetic surgeons.

"It's a quick fix," she said. 'Moms need energy and stamina and moving around will help give it to them. Women are being conditioned to believe that going under the knife is the only way to tighten, tone and lose weight following pregnancy and this simply isn't true."

Garrow has classes six days a week and the township sessions take place in Heritage Park or Summit on the Park. Individual classes start at \$15 and packages are available.

"The coolest thing is when people tell me that they heard their kids playing Stroller Strides with their friends instead of playing school," she said.

For more information, log on to www.strollerstrides.net/ canton

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"The ones that have served in the more difficult battles, more difficult than what we're serving in now, with a lot more casualties," said White, who has been in the Air National Guard for 21 years. "It's really important to remember they gave their life and their time in the service.'

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After the ceremony, Overholt said the honor given him is proof patriotism isn't dead.

"Sometimes you think it is, but there are a lot of people out there who believe in our country and the freedoms we provide," said Overholt, who served in France, Belgium and the Bulge. "I grew up in an era where freedom and patriotism were primary in our lives, and many of us left home never knowing when we would come back, or if we would be back, without hesitation. It's good to be able to serve, and I'm proud of it."

Ring said interest in her father's military service helped spur the Mail to the Military program at Hulsing.

"I want to instill patriotism in the youth of America while teaching them academics," she said. "And I want them to know there are people who really, truly care about America. That's part of our history.

"Each time he comes and talks to my class on Veterans Day about World War II, I learn something new about my father," she added.

Principal's 1st year at Farrand an eye-opener

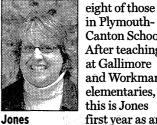
BY TONY BRUSCATO **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Dana Jones said her first year as principal at Farrand Elementary has been an eyeopener as to the spectrum of . the Farrand family.

"People tell me all the time they went to Farrand, or their parents went to Farrand, or

used to work here," said Jones. "I've worked at other buildings, and it's never was that way. Farrand has a family feel to it.' Jones is a 1986 graduate of Woodhaven High School, and received her undergraduate

degree from Michigan State University and her Masters University. Jones' education



in Plymouth-Canton Schools. After teaching at Gallimore and Workman elementaries, this is Jones first year as an administrator.

"I knew I was ready to move

from administration they've been extremely helpful."

Jones said parents have made her first year as principal a smooth one.

"Parents come to me with problems, but they also come with solutions," she said. "That's very helpful."

One of Jones' priorities this school year is making plans for Farrand's

Degree from Wayne State



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DINING WITH THE STARS

Cancer survivor enjoys 'a little pampering'

The Buddy's Pizza/Observer & Eccentric Newspapers Dining with the Stars closed out another season last Wednesday with guest celeb Ruth Spencer of WDIV (Channel 4).

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Teresa Stankoff of Livonia won the May contest and was treated to lunch with Spencer at Buddy's Pizza in Farmington Hills.

Spencer selected Stankoff's entry from among five finalists.

"I want to dine with Ruth

"I am a breast cancer sur-

- not to mention looking like Uncle Fester for a few months," Stankoff wrote.

"I look at life differently. I want to experience everything! Everyday is a great day because I am blessed to see it. I have already walked through the worst storm. I know my time with Ruth will be so much fun and I could use a little pampering.'

Stankoff got her wish for a little pampering. She was treated to a makeover by Sebastian and makeup by Hiba, both of I

"It was just me and my iPpod. I felt like a rock star," Stankoff

gift certificate to the Reaver Diamond Co. in Southfield, and a dance exhibition courtesy of Fred Astaire Dance Studio in

Bloomfield Hills. Stankoff said she accepted a mini-lesson from one of the dancers because she wants to enjoy life."

Spencer and Stankoff spent near two hours talking and shared a salad. Stankoff left with pizza for the whole family, balloons and smiling from ear to ear, said Marcy Brontman of Buddy's.

"Teresa has a real zest for life," said Brontman, the organizer of Dining with the Stars. "Her energy seems to inspire everyone she meets.'

Local 4 News at 4 p.m. and 5 p.m., Spencer is an Emmy award-winning consumer investigator. With her "Ruth to the Rescue" reports, she has find solutions to their complaints about a business, prod-

Prior to that, Spencer was a WDIV.



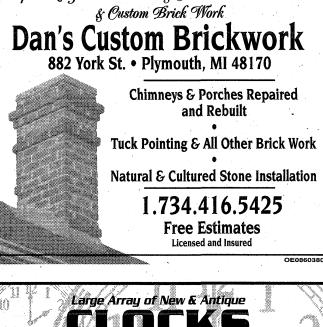
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Ruth Spencer and Teresa Stankoff watch Karla Pinet and Leo Sidorenko, of the Fred Astaire Dance Studio.

Buddy's Pizza reviews all entries for Dining With The Stars and selects the top four to five letters. The star featured for the month makes the final selection.







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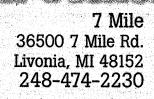
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McCotter talk Zionist Organization of America-Michigan Region, in commemoration of the Dolphinarium terrorist attack in Tel Aviv on June 1, 2001, presents U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, speaking on The House Anti-Terrorism/Jihad Caucus at 5 p.m. Sunday, June 1, at the Holocaust Memorial Center. McCotter serves the 11th district of western Oakland and western Wayne counties. He is chairman of the Republican House Policy Committee and serves on the House Anti-Terrorism/Jihad Caucus which educates fellow lawmakers and Americans about militant Islam's long-term threat. Co-sponsor of the event is the Anti-Defamation League. There is no charge. For more information, contact Lisa Glazer, executive director at (248) 282-0088 or by email at lisa@mizoa.org.

Academic Pathways enrollment Academic Pathways Cooperative Preschool, located at 30330 Schoolcraft in Livonia is currently enrolling for the 2008-2009 school year. Morning class sessions for 3and 4-year-olds are available. Potty training is not required. Four-yearold class runs 9:30-11:30 a.m. Monday. Wednesday and Friday; three-yearold class runs 9:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday. More information can be found at the school's Web site www.academicpathwayspreschool. com or call (734) 261-9540.

Gardeners meet

The Gardeners of Northville and Novi meet the second Tuesday of the month September through May at 6:30 p.m. Locations rotate between Novi Civic Center and the Northville Library. Visitors are welcome. For more information, call (248) 231-2334 or visit our Web site www.gardenersnorthville-novi.org

Heartland Hospice

Heartland Hospice, located in Southfield and serving the tri-county area, is looking for caring and compassionate individuals to register for volunteer training. Evening and daytime classes are available for anyone

COMMUNITY CALENDAR



Dodge drives

Field Elementary Principal Pete Kudlak (from left) accepts a check from Jason Scott, general manager at Dick Scott Dodge, while Field PTO president Ann Marie Rockov looks on. Dick Scott Dodge in Plymouth helped raise \$880 for Field Elementary School with its recent Dodge Drive for the Kids program. Dodge donated \$50 to Field Elementary PTO toward expenses involved in hosting the event and an additional \$5 for each test drive completed with a product guestionnaire. The new Dodge Journey and other Dodge family vehicles were provided for parents and friends to test drive and evaluate. Dick Scott Dodge provided the vehicles, and volunteers from the dealership were on hand to assist in the fund-raising activity. Drive for the Kids was introduced in 1994. Since then, Dodge dealers have worked with parents and educators to conduct thousands of school fund-raising events in communities across the nation. These events help to fund student needs from playgrounds and field trips to reading programs and computers.

interested in being a support person for clients and their families during their end-of-life journey. Office support is also needed. To register, call Mary, (800) 770-9859.

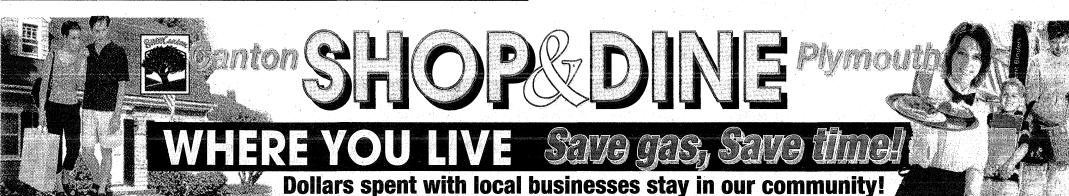
Card party/luncheon Victoria Chapter #290, OES, Livonia Masonic Temple hosts a card party/ luncheon noon to 3 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month. Admission is \$6; event features table prizes and door prizes. The temple is located at 27705 W. Seven Mile in Livonia. For more information, call (734) 459-6063. Hospice training

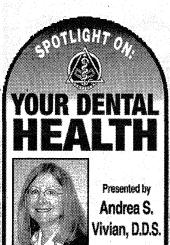
Heartland Hospice is looking for caring and dedicated people with an interest in serving terminally ill patients and their families in Washtenaw, western Wayne, Monroe

and Livingston counties. Volunteers provide a variety of services including companionship, light housekeeping, errand running, grief support and clerical services. For more information, contact volunteer coordinator Candice Jones, (888) 973-1145. **Literacy Council tutors**

The Community Literacy Council (CLC)

is looking for volunteer tutors in Western Wayne County to help adults improve their reading, writing and communication skills. The CLC will provide training to interested volunteers. Previous experience or a bachelor's degree is not required. The council will provide free training and materials, and then match you with an adult student in your area. Call (734) 416-4906 for more information.





SEALING YOUR TEETH'S FATE

One of the most effective decay prevention techniques available to children (and adults) involves the use of "sealants." As the name suggests, a dental sealant is a plastic coating that is applied to the chewing surfaces of the back teeth (pre-molars and molars), where decay is most likely to occur.

Sealants are applied as a liquid coating, which quickly hardens into a thin shield over chewing surfaces. These surfaces are most vulnerable to tooth decay because they have natural grooves and pits that collect food and germs that can cause decay. Sealants effectively fill in these uneven surfaces, sealing out any bacteria and debris. Children who get sealants have demonstrably fewer cavities in their back teeth.

To learn more about protecting your teeth and gums, just ask us! We'll tell you how to protect your teeth's chewing surfaces, about the importance of a tooth-friendly diet, how to keep your teeth clean, and remind you of the importance of regular checkups to get a head start on preventing cavities. For dedicated care of your oral health, we're located at 496 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Ste. 201, Plymouth. Please call 734-453-9413 for an appointment for complete dental care for the family.

P.S. Parents are advised to have sealants applied to their children's teeth as soon as the permanent molars fully erupt.

Michigan Eye Doctor Helps Legally Blind

Dr. Sheldon Smith fits use during operations," special glasses to help those with macular degeneration and other eye conditions keep reading and driving.

By Elena Lombardi

Most of us take things like reading, watching TV or playing cards for granted. But poor vision from conditions like macular degeneration, glaucoma, diabetes or cataracts makes these tasks difficult or even impossible. When people have insufficient vision to do the things they want to do, they have low vision.

Today Michigan Optometrist Dr. Sheldon Smith has the answers many of these people have been seeking. Dr. Smith, a Low Vision Specialist, helps people with these types of eye diseases see better. A Fellow of the International Academy of Low Vision Specialists, Dr. Smith is one of a select group of doctors serving the visually impaired.

"People don't know there are experienced doctors who can help them with specialized low vision care," says Dr. Smith. "Many people are told by their own doctors that nothing more can be done for their eye condition, but there are ways to improve vision" says Dr. Smith. "We fit special devices to help patients meet their various visual goals."

Patients often end up using weak, clumsy handheld magnifiers trying to help themselves see better. Conversely, Dr. Smith prescribes hands-free devices that are easier to use. "We use the same telescopic devices surgeons improves the patient's

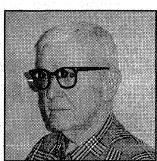
says Dr. Smith. "That's how powerful and convenient they are. Special prismatic reading glasses and microscopes help make reading a little easier. Telescopic glasses primarily focus on distance objects like TV, passing neighbors or scenery. Telescopes can also be adapted to closer tasks like playing cards or computers. "Telescopes can even help people meet the driver vision requirement" Dr. Smith explained.

Michigan is one of 46 states that allow bioptic telescopic glasses for driving.

Mr. Leo Hakola, age 85 of Livonia, Michigan saw Dr. Smith last May.

Macular degeneration, cataract, stroke and double vision were causing reading and driving problems. Dr. Smith prescribed a complete low vision system which included telescopic glasses for driving and special prismatic glasses for reading. The entire cost was \$2789. Leo said "the telescopic driving glasses really help me see traffic lights and street signs down the block. And reading is much easier and single now with these special reading glasses. I am glad I found you, Dr. Smith."

In addition to the spectacle vision aids, Dr. Smith offers training to help people accomplish their daily activities. Visual aids help patients use their remaining vision to its fullest capacity while rehabilitative training Paid Advertisement



Leo Hakola wearing telescopic driving glasses

ability to carry out necessary independent activities. And of course safeguarding present vision levels is crucial. Sun filters and nutritional supplements can improve vision and prevent further loss.

"Each patient has a unique amount of vision and their own goals," says Dr. Smith. "I am committed to helping patients do what matters most to them and improving their quality of life."

Special reading glasses start at \$600 and custom telescopes can cost from \$1800 to \$2,500.

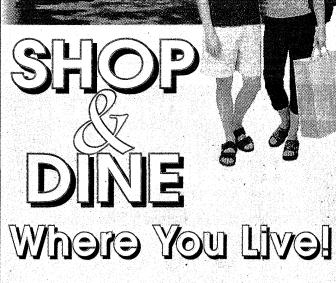
If you or someone you know is struggling with their vision, call Dr. Smith to find out how low vision care can help. There is help available. You just need to know where to find it.

You can reach Dr. Smith and Suburban Low Vision of Michigan at

1-877-677-2020. Dr. Smith has offices in Livonia, Warren, Shelby Township and the Lansing area.

Visit Suburban Low Vision of Michigan at suburbaneyecare.com or find out more about the International Academy of Low Vision Specialists at ialvs.com.

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OUR VIEWS

We all can make a difference this **Memorial Day**

What if there were no Memorial Day?

No parades, no speeches, no wreaths, no soldiers patrolling Arlington Cemetery.

Would it make a difference? Would our soldiers fight any less faithfully?

No, of course they wouldn't, but it would make a difference in who we are as a people. War, and peace, are states of existence for which we are all responsible.

A part of us lies in the grave of every man and woman who has served our country. We have, after all, elected the politicians who have sent them to places around the globe, and to their places in history.

Our service men and women have done more than just follow orders that place them in harm's way. They have performed heroically and selflessly.

To ignore those sacrifices is to deny that we share in the responsibility for making war. And in that denial, we lose the impetus for striving for peace.

So, yes, ignoring Memorial Day does make a difference.

It's a shame that it's so easy to forget, when there is ample opportunity to remember. In Plymouth, for instance, the annual Memorial Day parade will march down Main Street to the beautiful Veterans Memorial Park, where the contributions of veterans who have given the ultimate sacrifice will be honored.

Similar observances take palce in many of our communities which offer some form of Memorial Day celebration.

In Birmingham, there will be a rescitation of the Gettysburg address on Monday, and in Livonia, there will be viewing of the Veterans' Wall of Honor. Ferndale will have its 90th anniversary parade, while there will also be parades or ceremonies in Westland, Canton, Farmington and Rochester Hills.

Other communities have observances as well, and at White Chapel Cemetery in Troy, flags line the main boulevard as visitors enter for a Sunday concert and the Polar Bear memorial service on Monday.

Some communities, like Southfield and Redford, hold ceremonies on other days. But for people everywhere, there is no excuse for ignoring the day's observance.

In 2000, Congress passed the "National Moment of Remembrance." It is a moment to pause each Memorial Day at 3 p.m. local time to reflect on the service and sacrifice of our armed forces.

So take that moment to turn off the lawn mower and the TV. Close the cover on the grill.

Gather your family around you and tell them about your never made it through the night as the own memories of war and peace with the respect and gratitude due those who have served us so well.

Author appreciation

I want to personally thank Marjorie Sadler for inviting me to the "The Authors, Local Talent in Print," Saturday, May 17.

This event was immensely successful because of her hard work and diligence. Ms. Sadler had been kind enough to contact me in April to invite me to this firsttime event. She and I had spoken shortly after my book, "Woman Reclining," was published. I was looking forward to participating in a book signing at the awesome Plymouth District Library.

As there were 15 authors presenting, she had to prepare the one room with numerous tables, and, a few author tables outside of the main room. She had the area perfectly set up with name tags on the authors tables complete with a color picture of the book for sale on it.

She put together a beautiful and colorful booklet promoting all of the participating authors. The room was filled with attentive audience members who enjoyed the presentations and got to meet many of the authors in attendance. They also got to take home the booklet in case they wanted to contact the book author at a later date.

Her promotion of this event was well synchronized. The *Plymouth Observer* publicized the author event twice with a brief introduction about the author signing. The press release included the name of the author, title of the book, and a short description regarding what the book was about.

In addition to the authors signing their books, they were able to enjoy wonderful refreshments that were provided by the Friends of the Library. The fresh fruit, crackers and cheese were delectable.

Her professionalism shined through before and during this outstanding author event. I hope that we are afforded another opportunity to present our work at the Plymouth District Library in the future.

Cheryl A. Martin

Canton

Relay for Life support

Thanks Plymouth A.M. Rotary for enlisting me to chair our Plymouth A.M. Rotary/Carlson Travel/Interact Team for Relay for Life. Your acceptance of me into Rotary has been such fulfillment.

Thanks, Kate Rosevear and Carlson Travel for sponsorship of our team and canopy. Kate, without your assistance, and your brother's lighting, we would have weather was Poe-esque.

Thanks Interact, our High School Rotary,

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for excellent superhero decorations. Your parents were generous in gifts and support. Thanks, Matt, for participating in Mr. Relay, and thanks to Morgan, TJ, Nick, and all Interact members for your dedication. Thanks Deb Madonna and Tricia Cockfield, of Quixworks, for massages. Generous funds were raised for our team.

Thanks Deb, Beth Stewart, Kate, Andrea Burdette, and David Haslam, of Rotary, for your advertising of Relay, and to Andrea for donation of bracelets and memory boxes to sell. Thanks David for the 3 a.m. hot chocolate.

Thanks Rotarians Phyllis Pulty, Pat Berkopec, Joann Lamar, Dorian McGlannan, and Tim Higgins, for walking and thanks Tim and the Canton Lions for breakfast!

Thanks Dorothy and Dave Ham and the Mendhi and Sexton families for Saturday support. My dad, Jim Ham, and my grandpa, Quiller Kitto, who both lost their fights with cancer, taught us to appreciate family and friends, Thanks Lunblads for your friendship. Jillian Lunblad — you're an angel— a survivor, and you motivated us throughout Relay.

Thanks to those who donated to our team: from Michigan, California, Wisconsin, New York, Massachusetts, and Hong Kong. Thanks Fernando Yarza, our friend, for attending the luminary event and staying with us till sunrise.

Thanks Jamie Chapman, associate director of the American Cancer Society, Great Lakes Division and Stephanie Tierney, of St. Thomas A Beckett, for encouragement that I could do it! Thanks Cindy Hunter of Valvoline, for inviting me to speak during the luminary ceremony. You inspired me to remind all of us of hope.

Thanks to my husband Rich. Brave you were to dress in drag for Mr. Relay, but the money you raised will provide support, help battle cancer and aid research. Thanks to my son, Alex. You fought battles as a preemie stroke survivor, and always inspire me. You shared, for 24 hours, your video games to fund-raise, and you amazed me by saying when you grow up, you'll find a cure for cancer.

Dawn Ham-Kucharski Canton

Freedom has a price

Memorial Day is Monday, May 26. This is a day of reflection, thanks and remembrance to our veterans who have answered the call to serve, but will never be able to enjoy the freedoms that you and I do today. Why? Because they are dead. Or they are still MIA. Some are still alive, but so horri-

bly maimed they do not live outside of a hospital ward. How shocking it is to the conscious that many people this Memorial Day will be sure to get the day off from work and plan their backyard BBQs with no thought about the real purpose of this special day.

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One of the many things I will teach my newborn son is the value of freedom and the price that has been paid for it in blood. He, and the rest of his generation, won't learn to value this simply by reading books. He will learn it by the examples I set. By the values we all exhibit. If we fail our next generation by failing to teach this, it won't be long before our freedom is no longer highly valued and is liable to slip away.

We often hear that there are no heroes today like John Wayne or Superman. I beg to differ. Their names are forever inscribed on Canton's Veterans' Memorial behind the Township Hall: names from many years ago and names of neighbors from today. We have a chance to not only honor the sacrifices of our veterans and their families, but to help them to live but for one more day, at least in our hearts and minds. Won't you join us Monday afternoon, at 1 p.m., to honor these vets and to value the freedom they have procured for us at such a great price? It is your duty to do so, not only for the sake of our veterans living and gone, but for the sake of your children and the next generation of free Americans.

> **Todd Caccamo** Canton

Who do terrorists want as president?

Put yourself in a terrorist's or Muslim Jihadist's shoes and ask yourself who you would want as president amongst the crop of candidates we have to choose from.

Hillary Clinton is waffling on Iraq, and her husband failed to take real action on the North Korean nuclear development program or after the U.S. embassy bombings in Africa and the USS Stark bombing.

Barack Obama has gone on record as agreeing to meet with members of the "Axis of Evil," wants discussions with Muslim terror groups such as Hammas and wants to withdraw troops from Iraq and Afghanistan even if the generals on the ground recommend against it.

In addition to his father being a Muslim, his step dad was as well. Meanwhile Obama's pastor/mentor/friend of 20 years is a former Muslim who visited Libya's leader in 1984 on a trip with Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan and whose church paper supports Hammas. Given the choices, you know who the terrorists want you to vote for



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Worthy says Kilpatrick's status no deterrent to prosecution

BY TONY BRUSCATO **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

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Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy wanted to make one point perfectly clear concerning the criminal prosecution of Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick during her appearance at the Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth meeting Thursday afternoon.

"Not one time did it matter to us who the potential defendants would be," Worthy told a crowded room at Ernesto's restaurant in Plymouth. "It doesn't matter what your pedigree is, how much money you have, your race or gender, ethnicity or religion.

"If you commit a crime in Wayne County, and we can prove it beyond a reasonable doubt, we're going to charge you, no matter who you are," she added. "I'm not going to lose sleep over it."

Worthy, who has been zealous in her preparation for the text messaging scandal proceedings involving Kilpatrick and his former chief of staff, Christine Beatty, said she's never let this year's re-election bid get in the way of the case.

"People have asked me about running for office, it has to affect my decision," Worthy said. "No, it doesn't. This just happens to be an election year for me."

Initial stock offerings are not secure

Rick Bloom was the featured speaker at the Observer & Eccentric Senior Expo on May 20 at Schoolcraft College. Following is a question asked by the seniors. Rick believes the information is helpful to

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Rick Bloom

Worthy can't reveal much about the case against Kilpatrick and Beatty, but she hinted at the possibility of more charges.

"We're still investigating," she said. "When we announced the (original) charges, we said it was an ongoing investigation and there are still things going. on."

Worthy said there has been only one surprise that has come her way in the text mes-

sage scandal, the attack against defendant and I'm expecther for a so-called tax problem involving the IRS. Worthy went out of her way to explain how she cashed in her IRAs to support herself and daughter when she had to step down from her position as a judge in 2003 to run for county prosecutor. The \$60,000 in tax penalties has been whittled down to \$25,000 by paying the debt in installments.

"He's (Kilpatrick) a criminal

ing him not to comment on the case, but I've never had - in 23 years - the attack he directed," Worthy said. "What has happened the last four months have been three or four orchestrated smear campaigns against me for charging the mayor.

"If you can't stomach the personal attacks, you should get out of the kitchen," she added. "I'd charge him again."



BILL BRESLER STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Wayne County **Prosecutor Kym** Worthy talked about her career and the decision to prosecute **Detroit Mayor Kwane** Kilpatrick during a speech to the Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth Thursday.

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an IPO. I don't know what an IPO is and do you think it's a good investment?

An Initial Public Offering, also known as an IPO, is a corporation's first sale of stock to public investors. The company is selling stock to raise capital for the corporation and to allow original investors to cash out some of their stock. In establishing the initial price for the stock, the corporation typically brings in an investment banker who has two main goals in establishing the original purchase price. The first is to raise capital for the corporation and the second is to generate interest in the stock from the general public. If the initial price of the stock is too high, the stock may not sell, while on the other hand, if the stock is underpriced the corporation can be missing out an opportunity to raise capital. Historically, IPOs have tended to be underpriced as opposed to overpriced.

I generally tell investors to avoid an IPO because there are many unknown factors which make it difficult for the average person to evaluate the investment. I only recommend an IPO to someone who already has a diversified portfolio and who is willing to take a flyer on the investment. An IPO is not a safe and secure investment.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. Observer & Eccentric readers can submit questions at moneymatters@ hometownlife.com. For more information, visit Rick's Web site at www.bloomassetmanagement.com. You can hear Rick noon to 3 p.m. Sundays on WDTK 1400 AM.



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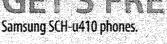
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Rocks corral Mustangs in WLAA title game

BY ED WRIGHT **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

The pre-game setting for Wednesday's Western Lakes Activities Association softball championship match-up rivaled that of "David and Goliath": Young, upand-coming Salem was looking to knock off mighty, state-ranked Northville.

Much like the story, the giant was taken down - although it took several Rocks, not just one, to accomplish the feat.

Salem proved its 23-7-1 record and Lakes Division title were no fluke as it ousted the No. 5-ranked Mustangs, 5-3, behind a poised pitching perfor-

PREP SOFTBALL

mance from freshman Briana Lee and a few clutch hits – most notably, Emily Pitcole's three-run home run.

"This was such a big win for the girls and a very exciting game to watch," said Salem coach Bonnie Southerland, whose roster includes just one senior. "I am very happy for my team and the way they put it together today.

"I'm not quite sure the girls realize what they just did. Not only did they capture the last WLAA Lakes Division and league championship, but they also beat the No. 5-ranked team in the state

and a team that was unbeaten in the league."

Lee scattered six hits and two walks while striking out seven Mustangs. Northville pitcher Allison Holmes gave up five hits and two walks while whiffing eight.

Trailing 1-0, Salem rocked their hosts with a three-run third when Lizzy Mazorowicz reached on an error, Mary Cox singled and Pitcole launched a twoout, three-run round-tripper over the center-field fence to put her team ahead, 3-1.

The Mustangs reduced their deficit to 3-2 in the bottom of the third, but Salem added two insurance runs in the sixth

when it loaded the bases on singles from Cox and Pitcole and a walk to Lee.

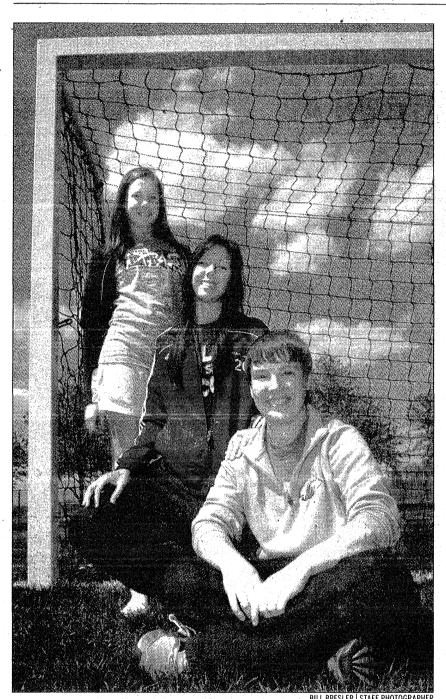
With two outs, pinch-runners Mia Bonello and Amber Smith scored on a Northville error to make it 5-2.

Northville strung together four of their six hits in the seventh to score one run, but the game ended when Jenna Dumbelton popped out to Lee.

Pitcole (3-for-3) and Cox (2-for-3) paced the winners' offense. It was the Rocks' first WLAA title

since 2003.

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Trio of PCEP goal-keepers zero in on stopping forwards

BY ED WRIGHT OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

They are always the last line of defense and often the difference between winning and losing.

They possess nerves of steel and ice water flows through their veins - figuratively, at least — during the game's most tense moments.

At times, they're busier than a tickettaker on the most popular roller coaster at Cedar Point; at other times, they're as lonely as the Maytag repairman.

They are Bry Bellovary, Kristen Dondzila and Marissa Williams — the three starting soccer goal-keepers for Canton, Salem and

DISTRICT SOCCER DRAW

All three PCEP girls soccer teams will be competing in the District tournament hosted by Northville May 27, 29 and 31. Following are the brackets:

🔳 Tuesday, May 27 – Game 1: Wayne Memorial at Plymouth (at PCEP), 5 p.m.; Game 2: Canton vs. Salem (at PCEP), 7 p.m.; Game 3: Northville at Churchill, 7 p.m.

Thursday, May 29 (all games at) Northville High School): Winner of Game 1 vs. Winner of Game 3, 4 p.m.; Winner of Game 2 vs. John Glenn, 6 p.m.

Saturday, May 31: Championship final, noon, at Northville

raised my hand," she said. "I've loved it ever since.

The best part about it is when the other team's forwards are coming at you with the ball in a close game and your team is relying on you to make the save."

Bellovary, who registered her 13th shut



Sunday, May 25, 2008

Chiefs football

garage sale

The Canton High School football program will be holding a garage sale on Saturday, May 31, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Canton High School cafeteria. Proceeds from the fund-raiser will go toward the purchase of new equipment for the Phase 3 weight room.

Members of the booster club are accepting donations - gently used furniture, clean clothing, sports equipment, books, household items, toys, baby equipment, tools, etc. – for the garage sale.

For drop-off or volunteer information, contact Teri Merbler at (734) 207-0072 or tmerbler@comcast. net.

High Velocity co-ed soccer

High Velocity Sports in Canton is offering "fun" adult co-ed soccer leagues Saturday mg

Pictured (from left) are PCEP starting soccer goalies Marissa Williams (Plymouth), Kristen Dondzila (Salem), Bry Bellovary (Canton), all of whom have led their respective teams to winning records this season.

Plymouth, respectively, and they're three big reasons why the Chiefs, Rocks and Wildcats head into next week's Division 1 District tournament with realistic goals of moving on to the Regional round of the post-season.

A keeper since Day 1

Canton's Bellovary, a senior who is wrapping up her second straight solid season between the pipes, has guarded nets as long as she has played soccer.

When I was 5, the coach asked the team, 'Who wants to play goalie?' and I

out of the season in Monday's 1-0 victory at Walled Lake Northern, said she considers herself lucky to play for coach George Tomasso, who was an All-State high school keeper at Canton before moving on to play the position at Eastern Michigan University.

"It's nice to be able to ask George what " I'm doing wrong, knowing that he's played the position, so he knows what he's talking about," said Bellovary.

What's the best advice Tomasso has

Please see GOALIES. B2

No place like home

Salem senior third baseman Dana Lorber slides home with the Rocks' second run during Wednesday's Western Lakes **Activities Association** championship game against Northivlle. Unfortunately for Salem, Lorber's run was its final one in an 11-2 setback to the Mustangs. See story on page B3.

members. The team fee is \$500 for seven games (July 12-Aug. 23). House teams will also be created to accommodate full team. The "free

Local prep golfers thrive at Districts

Three local high school golf teams advanced to the Regional portion of the state tournament during District play on Thursday.

Canton and Salem placed second and fourth, respectively, at the District 9 tournament at Whispering Willows in Livonia, while Plymouth Christian Academy advanced to next week's D4 Regional at Bald Mountain after placing fourth at Thursday's District event at Ypsilanti's Rustic Glen Golf Course.

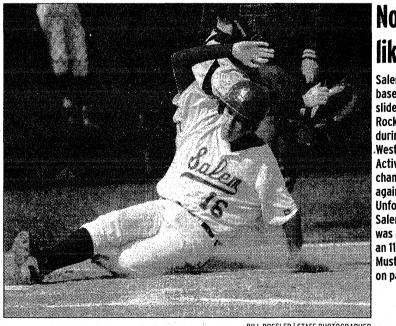
The top six teams at each

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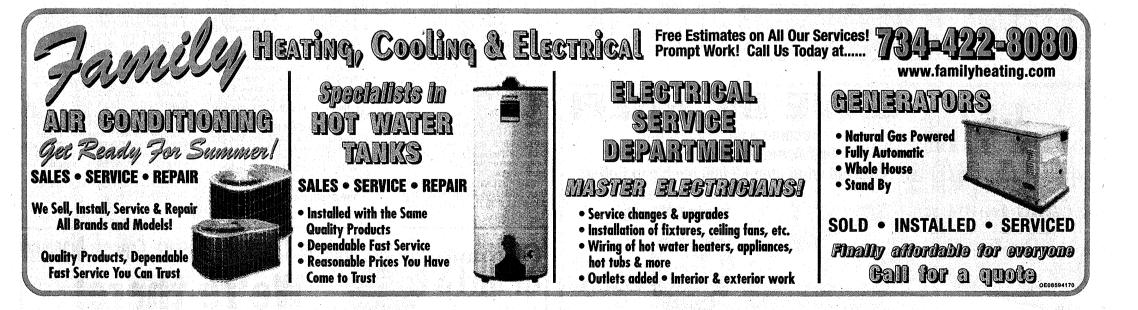
District moved on. The Chiefs, who finished runners-up to Northville, were led by Brendan Muir's 75. Zach Conrad carded a 76 while Andrew Rickerman shot a 77. Salem was paced by Tyler

Jeleniewski and Adam Powers, both of whom fired 75s.

Senior Ross Gerulis spearheaded the Eagles' effort with an 84. Mitch Geracz registered an 88.



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for parents who want to participate in the sport. The leagues will

be recreational beginner leagues designed to give participants a nice workout and a fun night out. Game times will range from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BASEBALL DISTRICT PAIRINGS **DIVISION 1** at SALEM Tuesday, May 27: (A) Livonia Churchill vs: Saturday, May 31: Canton vs. A-B winner, 10 .m.; Salem vs. Livonia Stevenson, 12:30 p.m.; Championship final: 3 p.m. DIVISION 4 GIRLS SOFTBALL DISTRICT PAIRINGS at SALEM Tuesday, May 27: (A) Livonia Churchill vs. (B) Plymouth, 4 p.m. Saturday, May 31: Salem vs. Livonia Stevenson, 10 a.m.; Canton vs. A-B winner, noon; Championship final: 2 p.m. GIRLS SOCCER DISTRICT PAIRINGS **DIVISION 1**

NORTHVILLE (HOST) Tuesday, May 27: (A) Northville at (B) Livonia Churchill, 7 p.m.; (C) Plymouth at (D) Wayne Memorial, 5 p.m.; (E) Canton vs. (F) Salem, 7 p.m. at Plymouth-Canton



relaved to her so far? "If you have trust in your defense, they'll have trust in you," she said.

Bouncing back

Every time Dondzila has taken the field this season, she's done so with a level of appreciation few of her peers can relate to.

The senior, who recently signed to play next season at Schoolcraft College, missed her entire junior campaign due to a stress fracture in her leg.

Despite the bad break, she hasn't missed a beat this year, said Salem coach Joe Nora.

"Kristen has done everything I could ask a keeper to do," the veteran coach said. "She's a very hard worker. Even in practice, she's throwing herself all over the field.

"Kristen is never satisfied with her performance - ever. Even if she has a shutout, she'll come off the field saying there's something she needs to do better.

"We have to remind her sometimes, 'Hey, you're doing good; that's six shutouts this year.' She always wants to be better, which is why she's such a good keeper to begin with."

Dondzila said she prefers the crazy moments in goal when the opposing team is attacking from inside the 18-yard box as opposed to the games against weaker foes when the ball rarely crosses into her half of the field.

"I like the intensity, the excitement that playing goalie brings," she said.

Educational Park. Thursday, May 29: A-B winner vs. C-D winner, 4 p.m.; Westland John Glenn vs. E-F winner 6 nm

Milner, 6 p.m. Saturday, May 31: Championship final, noon. DIVISION 4 PLYMOUTH CHRISTIAN ACADEMY (Host) Tuesday, May 27: (A) Plymouth Christian Academy at West Bloomfield Jewish Academy 4:30 n m

Wednesday, May 28: Lutheran High Westland at A-B winner, 4:30 p.m.; Southfield Christian at South Lyon, 4:30 p.m. Friday, May 30: Championship final, 3 or 4:30 p.m. (TBA).

BOYS GOLF Thursday, May 29 Division 1 regional (Saline Host) at Washtenaw Country Club, 9 a.m **BOYS & GIRLS TRACK & FIELD FINALS** Saturday, May 31 Division 1 at Rockford, 9 a.m. Division 2 at Zeeland, 9 a.m. Division 3 at Comstock Park, 9 a.m. Division 4 at G.R. Forest Hills Eastern, 9 a.m

become the best goalie I could

Better with age

Williams is a rarity when it comes to high school goalkeepers — a ninth-grader who has started since the first minute of the opening game.

Williams has handled the responsibility with the savvy and poise of a senior, according to Plymouth coach Jeff Neschich.

"She struggled a little bit early in the season, partly because of the inexperience and partly because we weren't playing real well in front of her," said Neschich. "But lately, Marissa's been great. She played great against Canton, she shut out Saline two weeks ago and she played well against Salem (Monday night). She's definitely gotten better as the season has worn on."

Williams said she didn't know what kind of role she'd be handed when tryouts started in early-March.

"I knew they had an older girl that started for the JV team last year who'd be moving up to varsity this year, so I didn't have my hopes up (about starting)," she said. "So I was happy when coach gave me the opportunity to start.'

The freshman standout, who has led Plymouth to a 7-7-4 mark, said she loves the attention her position draws.

"I like it because it's a praise position, just like forward," she said. "But it's also a very hard position to play because you have to know the responsibilities of the players who play in front of you. The nice thing is you end up learning about the entire game – not just how to

Spartans edge Northville for WLAA boys track title

BY ED WRIGHT **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

When a team wins a conference trackand-field meet by just five points, the winning difference is usually created by the athletes who exceeded expectations, not the ones who met them. Example A: the trio of Livonia

Stevenson performers whose personal-best efforts led the Spartans to the Western Lakes Activities Association title on a rainy Wednesday night at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park stadium.

The most notable Spartan "over-exceeder" was unsung miler Mike Gibbons, who placed second in the 1,600-meter run with a time of 4:29.9.

Others who stepped up were Derek Buskey, who finished second in the 200 in his inaugural attempt at the event; and discus-thrower Chris Golonka, whose 152foot effort earned the champions some much-needed fifth-place points.

"I thought the team did a decent job overall," said Stevenson coach Scott Shaw. "In meets like this, you need to score in a number of events, which we did. I thought Mike Gibbons did a nice job in the mile. He was seeded 10th or 11th and finished second. Derek Buskey was third in the 200 after not running it all year and Chris Golonka's personal-best in the discus was huge.'

Stevenson earned 94 points, five more than runner-up Northville. Livonia Churchill was third with 83, followed by

Salem (69) Westland John Glenn (67.5) and Canton (55).

The meet ultimately came down to the final event – the 1,600-meter relay which was won by Northville's quartet of Habib Khan, Ali Arastu, Aaron Chew and Cavan Corcoran, However, Stevenson's foursome of Nate Sergison, Stephen Pollard, Gibbons and Buskey took second - despite being seeded seventh - to wrap up the title.

Churchill coach Rick Austin's team was in the hunt until the meet's waning stages a scenario that he couldn't have been more pleased with.

"I thought our guys ran outstanding," said Austin. "With the exception of our 1,600-meter guy, who was hurt, I think everybody peaked for the most part.

"I have all the respect in the world for our kids for the effort they gave tonight. They performed beautifully."

Salem's fourth-place performance could be a sign of things to come, considering the Rocks return of bulk of this year's team in 2009.

"Although we ended up with the same dual-meet record as last year, we improved in every big meet we ran in compared to last year," said third-year coach Kyle Metever.

'We're knocking on the door as far as getting up there with some of the league's perennial powers, so that's nice. And our strongest class is probably our sophomores, so if we can get them to improve as juniors and seniors, we'll be fine.'

Salem senior distance runner Kevin deBear closed out his WLAA career in style, placing third in the mile (4:32.7) and first in the two-mile (9:55.6).

Rock junior Jace Bearden was a twotime placer in the field events, taking fifth in the high jump (6-1) and fourth in the long jump (20-8.5).

Canton team records were falling about as steadily as the rain Wednesday night.

Senior pole vaulter Chris McGinnis set a new Chief mark in his event with a vault of 14 feet, 4 inches, one inch better than Jordan Chapman's 2001 effort.

Senior Tim Belcher broke his own 300meter intermediate hurdle record for the second time in two weeks when he motored around the track in 39.2.

Canton senior sprinter Eric Piwowar was also a big-time point-earner for the Chiefs, as he won the 400-meter dash in 51.9 seconds not long after he anchored Canton's second-place 800meter relay contingent that also included Ryan Randall, Sherif Hassanien and Belcher.

Plymouth's most noteworthy accomplishments came from pole-vaulter Ben Ambrose, who finished fourth with a vault of 13-4; sprinter Malik Rich, who took third in the 100 (11.0); 800-meter runner Kyle Wallath, who was second with a time of 2:01.2; and sprinter Connor McKinney, who was fourth in the 200 with a 22.61.

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Mustangs gallop to WLAA girls track-and-field crown

BY ED WRIGHT **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

The Mustangs proved to be the thoroughbreds at Wednesday's WLAA girls league track-and-field meet at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park varsity stadium.

Northville, which compiled an unbeaten regular-season dual-meet record, galloped to the conference championship by placing first in six of the 17 events and racking up 144 points 27 more than runner-up Livonia Churchill.

Livonia Stevenson (74.5 points), Livonia Franklin (71) and Westland John Glenn (65) rounded out the top five spots.

The three host teams - Plymouth, Salem and Canton - placed eighth, ninth and 11th, respectively.

Field-event specialists Brianna Jenkins and Amy Reynolds were the Mustangs' catalysts, winning the high jump and pole vault, respectively. Jaclyn Konopka (100- and 300-meter hurdles), Danielle Drury (400-meter dash) and the Mustangs' 1,600-meter relay quartet of Beth Roach, Markea

Dickinson, Daniella Drury and Jenkins also broke the tape first in their respective events.

Second-place Churchill was paced by two-time winner Kyndra Abron, who captured gold in the discus (124 feet) and the shot put (37-7.5).

Courtney Calka was the Spartans' brightest star, winning the 1,600 and the 3,200. Churchill's Rachel McFarlane placed second in both events.

Rocket senior Ashley Parker lived up to her team's nickname by rocketing to a conference record time of 25.6 in the 200-meter dash.

Chanel Payne also had a big night for John Glenn as she won the long jump (17-2) and teamed up with Jamie Mellas, Ashley Montgomery and Parker to capture the 800-meter relay.

The same Rocket foursome also placed first in the 400-meter relay.

Plymouth's Stephanie Okolo earned a pair of seconds in the 100- and 200meter dashes. Okolo's teammate Jill



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Plymouth's Stephanie Okolo, pictured above in a meet earlier this season, placed second in both the 100- and 200-meter dashes at Wednesday's WLAA conference meet.

Salem's Deja Wright sprinted to a

third-place showing in the 100.

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"I like playing against really good teams because I enjoy the action."

What advice would Dondzila give a young keeper who'd like to be in her shoes someday?

"Keep working at it — don't ever give up," she said. "Last year was very hard for me because I couldn't play because of my leg, but as soon as I could play again, I started practicing because I wanted to play your position. Did Williams have a problem telling older teammates where they should be on cer-

"At first it was hard, but it's easier now because we have such a young team," she said. knew a lot of the girls coming in to the season."

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16. **DISCUS:** 1. Mike Denison (WLC), 164 feet, 8 inches; 2. Zachary Bozigian (JG), 156-7; 3. Andrew Gorley (N), 156-2; 4. Austin Hassen (WM), 152-4; 5. Chris Golonka (IsO, 152-0; 6. Ryan Daul (WLC), 148-4; 7. Dana Baltazar (S), 141-0; 8. Mike Calo (WI W), 125-2

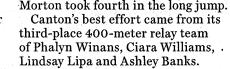
Calo (WLW), 135-2. SHOT PUT: 1. Mike Denison (WLC), 50-1.5; 2. Ed Merhi (S), 46-9; 3. Dana Baltazar (S), 45-10; 4. Edison Vushaj (WLW), 45-7.5; 5. Chris Golonka (LS), 44-10.75; 6. Duane Najarian (LC), 43-11.5; 7. Nate Coleman (LF), 43-4.25; 8. Matt Broome (LS), 43-1 oome (L

HIGH JUMP: 1. Mitchell White (LS), 6-6; 2. Pat York (LS), 6-3; 3. Zack Gaskell (S), 6-2; 4. (tie) David Brown (N), Jace Bearden, Eric Franceschi (N), 6-1; 7. Jujuan Cooke (LC), 6-0; 8. Keith Zech

LONG JUMP: 1. Keshawn Martin (JG), 21-10.5; 2. William Gutowski (LC), 21-3.5; 3. Ali Arastu (N), 20-11.5; 4. Jace Bearden (S), 20-8.5; 5. Isaac Cadet (LF), 20-4; 6. Nate Sergison (LS), 20-0.5; 7. Dominique Williams (S), 19-9.5; 8. Adam Somers (C), 10-5 5. 19-5.

POLE VAULT: 1. Derik Peterman (LC), 15-3; 2. Christopher McGinnis (C), 14-4; 3. Joseph Tesner (LC), 13-8; 4. Ben Ambrose (P), 13-4; 5. Eric Franceschi (N), 12-8; 6. (tie) Kevin Beadle (LF) and Gary Lawrence (JG), 12-4; 8. Nick Fenner (LF),

3,200-METER RELAY: 1. Churchill (Michael Schmidt, Nathan Wise, Paul Folk, Brandon, Grysko), 8:22.30; 2. W.L. Western, 8:23.3; 3. Northville, 8:28.2; 4. Canton, 8:32.7; 5. Salem, 8:33.3; 6. Stevenson, 8:37.2; 7. Plymouth, 8:47.6; 8. Franklin, 8:48.4.



WLAA TRACK STATS

110 HIGH HURDLES: 1. Myles White (LS), 14.2; 2. Cavan Corcoran (N), 14.5; 3. Evan Gerish (N), 14.6; 4. Renaldo Powell (WM), 14.7; 5. Cameron Wludyka (LF), 15.7; 6. Stuart Gregory (LF), 15.7; 7. Scott O'Connor (S), 15.9; 8. Dennis Dillard (JG),

100 DASH: 1. Larry Dawkins (JG). 100 DASH: 1. Larry Dawkins (JG), 10.6; 2. Nick Anagnostou (LS), 11.0; 3. Malik Rich (P), 11.0; 4. Eric Piwowar (C), 11.1; 5. Paul Voegele (LF), 11.1; 6. Derek Bahri (WLC), 11.2; 7. Daran Carey (LC), 11.3; 8. Emmanual Dixon (LC), 11.5. 800 RELAY: 1. John Glenn (Ja'Juan Narko Koshawa Martia, Careba Davia

Marks, Keshawn Martin, Corey Davis, Larry Dawkins), 1:30.1; 2. Canton, 1:32.9; 3. Churchill, 1:33.2; 4. Franklin, 1:33.9; 5. W.L. Central, 1:34.4; 6. Northville, 1:36.8;

 W.L. Central, 134.4; 6. Northvine, 136.
 W.L. Northern, 137.4.
 1,600 RUN: 1. Cory Sheena (WLN),
 4:27.2; 2. Mike Gibbons (LS), 4:29.9;
 3. Kevin deBear (S), 4:32.7; 4. Matt S. hevin deben (5), 4.32.1, 4. Malt Lewandowski (P), 4:34.4; 5. Chris Schnaible (WLW), 4:35.1; 6. Jacob Schofield (WM), 4:36.1; 7. Michael Charara (S), 4:39.3; 8. Jon Zurek (N), 4:40.30. (3), 4.39.5, 8. 307 2018 (N), 4.40.30. **400 RELAY:** 1. Franklin (Darell Myree, Isaac Cadet, Mike Baumgardner, Paul Voegele), 43.2; 2. John Glenn, 43.4; 3. Stevenson, 43.5; 4. Churchill, 44.2; 5. Central, 44.4; 6€ Salem, 45.2; 7. Western, 45.6; 8. Northern, 46.3.

40.0, 0. Not thern, 40.3. **400 DASH**: 1. Eric Piwowar (C), 51.9; 2. Derek Buskey (LS), 51.9; 3. John Lovelace (WLC), 52.1; 4. William Gutowski (LC), 52.5; 5. Thomas Ropek (WLN), 53.3; 6. Jack Schnaible (WLW), 53.3; 7. Nate Sergison (LS), 53.3; 8. Noel Key (N), 53.3. **300 INTERMENT FUMPLE**: 1 **300 INTERMEDIATE HURDLES: 1**

Cavan Corcoran (N), 39.0; 2. Tim Belcher (C), 39.2; 3. Ali Arastu (N), 39.4; 4. Myles White (LS), 40.7; 5. Scott O'Connor (S), 40.8; 6. Renaldo Powell (WM), 41.1; 7. Evan Gerish (N), 41.4; 8. Stuart Gregory (LE), 415 (LF), 41.

800 RUN: 1. Brandon Grysko (LC), 2:00.1; 2. Kyle Wallath (P), 2:01.2; 3. Eric Peterson (N), 2:01.3; 4. Cory Sheena (WLN), 2:01.5; 5. Michael Schmidt (LCO, 2:01.5; 6. Eric Nodge (WLC), 2:05.1; 7. Nathan Wise (LC), 2:05.1; 8. Andrew Crimmins (WLC), 2:06.2.

200 DASH: 1. Larry Dawkins (JG), 21.9; 2. Keshawn Martin (JG), 22.4; 3. Derek Buskey (LS), 22.5; 4. Connor McKinney (P), 22.7

5. Lucas Doe (WLW), 22.7; 6. Darell Myree (LF), 23.1; 7. Devon Easterling (LC),

3,200 RUN: 1. Kevin deBear (S), 9.55.6; 2. Chirs Schnaible (WLW), 10:01.0; 3. Jon Zurek (N), 10:01.1; 4. Matt Devey Osta 2016 4.0; 5. Joseph Varilone (LC),
 10:05.3; 6. Duncan Spitz (C), 10:06.7;
 7. Chad Norton (WLC), 10:12.6; 8. John Rhodes (WLW), 10:14.6.
 1,600 RELAY: 1. Northville (Habib

Khan, Ali Arastu, Aaron Chew, Cavan Corcoran), 3:30.7; 2. Stevenson, 3:32.6;

3. Canton, 3:32.8; 4. Plymouth, 3:36.6; 5. W.L. Central, 3:37.7; 6. Churchill, 3:38.6; 7. W.L. Northern, 3:40.0; 8. Franklin, 3:45.2

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TRACK & FIELD MEET WEDNESDAY AT PCEP STADIUM

FINAL STANDINGS: 1. Northville, 144; 2. Livonia Churchill, 117.5; 3. Livonia Stevenson, 74.5; 4. Livonia Franklin, 71; Stevenson, (4.3; 4. Livonia Frankin, r., 5. Westland John Glenn, 65; 6. Walled Lake Northern, 47.33; 7. Walled Lake Western, 41.33; 8. Plymouth, 32; 9. Salem, 28.33; 10. Walled Lake Central, 22; 11.

 Zo. So, 10. Wanted Lake Central, 22, 11.
 Canton, 16; 12. Wayne Memorial, 4.
 DISCUS: 1. Kyndra Abron (LC), 124-0;
 Correen Weber (WLN), 121-8; 3. Kari
 Prena (WLC), 118-4; 4. Bridgette Tinsely (WLN), 115-4; 5. Kelsey Prena (WLC), 110-7; 6. Savannah Haig (LF), 106-7; 7. Ryan Anderson (JG), 103-6; 8. Shannon Getchen (LC), 102-0.

SHOT PUT: 1. Kyndra Abron (LC), 37-7.25; 2. Alysha Johnson (WLW), 36-5.5; 3. Kari Prena (WLC), 35-9.75; 4. Kelsey Prena (WLC), 35-1.25; 5. Becca Bartek (LS), 34-8; 6. Ashley Price (LF), 34-2.75; 7. Shannon Getchen (LC), 33-2.5; 8. Maame Adomako (LS), 32-11.75. HIGH JUMP: 1. Brianna Jenkins (N),

S-2; 2: Elizabeth Hollaway (LF), 5-2; 3. Beth Roach (N), 5-1; 4. Emily Quint (LF), 5-0; 5. Jaclyn Gribeck (LC), 5-0; 6. Cierra Yetts (LC), 4-10; 7. Brittany Gibson (WLN), 4 10:0 (Lip) Brienen Miler, (WLW), Kelley 4-10; 8. (tie) Brianna Allen (WLW), Kelley Determan (S) and Carissa McKenna (WIN) 4-6

LONG JUMP: 1. Chanel Payne (JG), 17-2; 2. Ashley Montgomery (JG), 16-5; 3. Chelsea Pashnick (LS), 16-1; 4. Jill Morton (P), 15-11.5; 5. Chelsea Ciampa (N), 15-11; 6. Marci Kovsky (LS), 15-5; 7. Monica Hardy (LF), 15-4; 8. Paige Regular (S) 15-1 (S), 15

(S), 15-1.5. POLE VAULT: 1. Amy Reynolds (N), 10-8; 2. Kiley Tobel (WLW), 10-4; 3. Emily Quint (LF), 10-0; 4. Liz Nagle (WLW), 10-0; 5. Eren Ural (LC), 9-4; 6. (tie) Jamie Marihugh (LC), Michelle Blackstone (LS), 9-4; 8. Becky Murphy (N), 9-0. 2. 200-METEP DELAY: 1. Churchill

3,200-METER RELAY: 1. Churchill (Sara Kroll, Emily Clairmont, Michele Verellen, Rachel McFarlane), 9:59.83; Northville, 10:06.78; 3. Franklin, 10:18.67; 4. Stevenson, 10:21.84; 5. Plymouth, 10:24.97; 6. Salem, 10:32.11; 7. W.L. Northern, 10:51.0; 8. W.L. Western, 10:52.00

100 HIGH HURDLES: 1. Jaclyn Konopka (N), 15.3; 2. O'Malley King (N), 15.34; 3. Brittany Gentile (LS), 15.6; 4. Margarita Lazarevska (LC), 15.9; 5. Mallory Lukas (LC), 16.7; 6. Jaclyn Gribeck (LC), 17.1; 7. Jennifer Mueller (LF), 17.9; 8. Chelsea Clampa (N), 18.0. 100 DASH: 1: Ashley Parker (JG),

12.2; 2. Stephanie Okolo (P), 12.4; 3. Deja Wright (S), 12.8; 4. Chanel Payne (JG), 12.9; 5. Rochelle Woods (WM), 13.0; 6. Lindsay Lipa (C), 13.1; 7. Paige Regular (S), 13.1; 8. Ciara Williams (C), 13.2 800 RELAY: 1. John Glenn **BOO RELAY:** I. John Gienn (Chanel Payne, Jamie Mellas, Ashley Montgomery, Ashley Parker), 1:46.83; 2. Franklin, 1:49.0; 3. W.L. Northern, 1:51.3; 4. Salem, 1.51.4; 5. Churchill, 1:52.1; 6. Northville, 1:52.4; 7. Stevenson, 1:55.2; 8. W.L. Western, 1:55.8.

W.L. Western, 1:55.8.
1,600 RUN: 1. Courtney Calka (LS), 5:10.4; 2. Rachel McFarlane (LC), 5:14.5;
3. Sara Kroll (LC), 5:14.8; 4. Lindsay Clark (WLW), 5:15.5; 5. Lindsay Hagan (N), 5:18.1; 6. Rachel Quaintance (WLN), 5:32.5; 7. Megan McPherson (LF), 5:33.9;
8. Jenny Murphy (N), 5:38.0.
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400 RELAY: I. Jonn Glenn (Chanel Payne, Jamie Mellas, Ashley Montgomery, Ashley Parker), 50.6; 2. Franklin, 52.0; 3. Canton, 52.5; 4. W.L. Northern, 52.6; 5. Northville, 52.8; 6. W.L. Western, 54.4; 7. Stevenson, 54.6; 8. W.L. Central, 55.7.

400 DASH: 1. Daniella Drury (N), 1:01.8; 2. Bech Roach (N), 1:01.9; 3. Brianna Jenkins (N), 1:02.2; 4. Ashly Butkowski (LF), 1:02.7; 5. Rachel Quaintance (WLN), 1:02.7; 3. Ratief Swanberg (C), 1:04.3; 7. Sama Aoude (LC), 1:04.5; 8. Katie Glynn (LS), 1:04.8. **300 LOW HURDLES:** 1. Jaclyn

Konopka (N), 47.8; 2. Becky Adamcheck (LS), 48.5; 3. Senneca Scott (LF), 48.8;

(LS), 48.5; 3. Senneca Scott (LF), 48.8;
4. O'Malley King (N), 49.8; 5. Madeleine
Vala (S), 49.9; 6. Chelsea Ciampa (N),
49.9; 7. Mallory Lukas (LC), 49.9; 8. Kiley Tobel (WLW), 51.8.
800 RUN: 1. Sara Kroll (LC), 2:21.5; 2.
Rachel McFarlane (LC), 2:23.8; 3. Lindsay Hagan (N), 2:24.6; 4. Lindsay Clark (WLW), 2:26.6; 5. Markea Dickinson (N),
2:27.6; 6. Kelly Hahn (P), 2:29.9; 7. Brooke VanPoppelen (WLN), 2:32.7; 8. Jordyn Moore (S), 2:34.0. Moore

200 DASH: 1. Ashley Parker (JG), 25.6

200 DASH: 1. Ashley Parker (JG), 25.6 (tied league record); 2. Stephanie Okolo (P), 26.4; 3. Sarah LaBerge (LC), 26.8; 4. Brianna Jenkins (N), 27.3; 5. Becky Adamcheck (LS), 27.4; 6. Monica Hardy (LF), 27.4; 7. Brittany Gibson (WLN), 27.5; 8. Ashley Banks (C), 27.6. 3,200 RUN: 1. Courtney Calka (LS), 11:24.7; 2. Rachel McFarlane (LC), 11:26.7; 3. Lindsay Hagan (N), 11:39.2; 4. Rachel Quaintance (WLN), 11:35.4; 5. Lindsay Doherty (WLW), 11:55.4; 6. Molly Slavens (P), 11:58.4; 7. Christina Joss (LS), 12:10.5; 8. Jenny Murphy (N), 12:13.4. 1,600 RELAY: 1. Northville (Beth Roach, Markea Dickinson, Daniella Drury,

Roach, Markea Dickinson, Daniella Drury, Brianna Jenkins), 4:16.6; 2. Stevenson, 4:19.6; 3. Salem, 4:22.0; 4. Churchill, 4:22.3; 5. Franklin, 4:22.8; 6. W.L. Northern, 4:25.0; 7. Canton, 4:26.2; 8. Plymouth, 4:36.6.

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Building muscle best way to add weight

Jim is an athlete at a local high school. He writes for tips on gaining weight.

Jim, millions of Americans would love to have your problem! For thousands of teenage athletes all across the United States, gaining weight and keeping it on is a real problem. Ask many high school coaches and they will tell you that kids often ask about weightgaining techniques. The problem is that not all metabolisms are created equal! Two people



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can overeat for a week and one will pack on the pounds and the other won't gain an ounce.

The best way to put on weight is by building muscle. The tissue looks better than fat and will stay with a teen longer. Youngsters should join a gym and do largemuscle exercises like squats, bench presses, military presses and dead lifts. They can boost calorie intake by

eating more food, but they have to be careful about the food that they eat. They should stay away from fast food and concentrate on a healthy well-balanced diet.

Jill from Troy plays several sports and e-mails for ways to build up her hamstrings.

Jill, the hamstrings (the back part of the thigh) are a critical part of your overall body strength. But they are often the Achilles' heel of strength/speed athletes. Here is an example: A woman is sprinting to the ball during a soccer game, when suddenly her hamstrings simply give out! She might have had strong hamstrings, but they were out of balance with her stronger quad muscles. That is why they gave out when she turned on the afterburners going after the ball.

One of the most effective ways to build hamstrings is by doing squats, so developing an effective squat workout program is key. You should also practice hamstring-strengthening exercises like leg curls and stiff leg lifts. This will help make sure the hamstrings stay in balance with the more powerful quads and glutes!

If you have a health or fitness question you would like answered in the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, email Peter through his Web site www.peternielsen.com. Contact him at Peter Nielsen's Personal Training Club in West Bloomfield or Nielsen's Town Center Health Club in Southfield.

Making every night a good night

Treating obstructive sleep apnea may reduce health risks

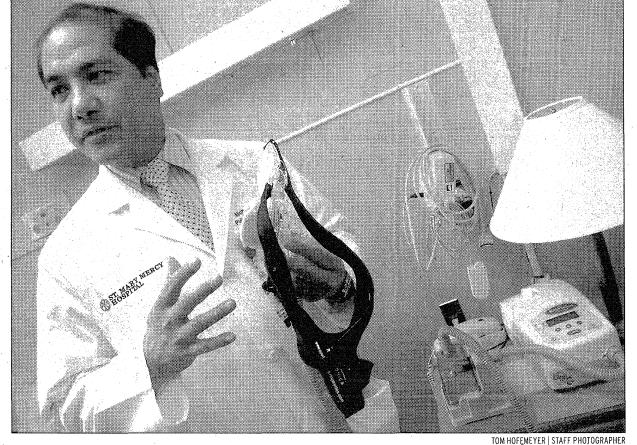
BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN O&E STAFF WRITER

Todd Rheim's solution to fatigue was coffee. The Plymouth man could even drink the caffeinated beverage before bedtime and still sleep but it wasn't restful.

After a close friend told him he was gasping for air in the middle of the night, Rheim went to his primary care physician who referred him to the St. Mary Mercy Hospital Sleep Disorders Center in Livonia. In December he was diagnosed with obstructive sleep apnea which causes the airway to collapse. A sleep study revealed he stopped breathing over 300 times a night.

Rheim suffers from allergies and asthma, but overall his health is good. Still he was concerned because obstructive sleep apnea can lead to high blood pressure and heart problems like arrhythmias. Studies released last Monday at the American Thoracic Society International Conference in Toronto showed stroke patients with obstructive sleep apnea died sooner and that CPAP treatment for the disorder may reduce blood pressure in adults with hypertension. Rheim has been using the machine every night for several months. Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (PAP) devices provide a stream of air through a mask to keep the airway open.

"I was always tired," said Rheim, 36, a physical therapy assistant who deals in real estate. "I was drinking coffee all day long not because I like the taste but because I had too. The first day I used the CPAP it was snowing pretty hard and I woke up and felt so well rested. It was 6 a.m. and I went and shoveled three drives and felt great. I didn't even need coffee and thought this is what people feel like in the morning. I feel I can get more done and I'm not as irritable."



Dr. Michael Gamiao talks about the Sleep Disorder Center at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia and of the different treatments that are offered including the use of a CPAP mask to help patients who suffer from sleep apnea.

Dr. Michael Gamiao says as many as 1 in 4 Americans have obstructive sleep apnea and may not know it until a spouse complains about their loud snoring or struggles to breathe, or they recognize the symptoms of daytime sleepiness, lack of concentration and irritability. Gamiao has been treating patients with sleeping disorders for 10 years.

"We're more aware about it now," said Gamiao, sleep center medical director and a specialist in pulmonary diseases, critical care medicine and sleep disorders. "We think there's more incidence of sleep apnea because of the growing incidence of obesity. It affects age 40 and up, usually male and post-menopausal women. If they already have heart disease, diabetes it makes it worse. One large cause of hypertension is sleep apnea. There's a lot of research going on. The latest research shows it can aggravate stroke, heart attacks, hypertension.'

Rheim's numbers were not unusual for someone with severe sleep apnea. Patients are rated as mild, moderate or severe depending how many respiratory events occur each hour. Gamiao points out the results of one patient's sleep study on the computer screen in the sleep center. One line goes flat to indicate breathing has stopped. Patients actually sleep through the study while their brain activities, breathing, heart, and oxygen level are monitored.

It's Gayle Young's job as technical coordinator to interpret the results of the 900-page studies done at the center which is accredited by the American Academy of Sleep Medicine. Then one of the center physicians determines the specific disorder - restless legs, insomnia,

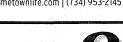
obstructive sleep apnea.

"They don't have to be obese," said Young. "It can be caused by large tonsils limiting the air flow, genetic makeup, sleep hygiene. Many people have very terrible sleep patterns. They sleep with the TV on, drink coffee until they go to bed. After the doctor reads it they have to come back for a second night if it's sleep apnea to determine the pressure. CPAP keeps them in deeper sleep so they feel rested and the body can rejuvenate itself."

"The best treatment is the CPAP," said Gamiao demonstrating a BiPAP machine and mask. "Before we used to do surgery but with not as good results as the CPAP. It does go away with weight loss. Some of my patients went for bariatric surgery and came off the CPAP."

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Picnics are a fun way to share the day with family and friends. Francie Astrom, a licensed dietician with Ohio University's wellness program, Well Works, serves up some tips to make your next picnic healthy and safe.

"Getting ready to share the day also means you need to do some planning for a healthy picnic. Summer heat can speed up the growth of bacteria in food which can grow to an unhealthy level in as little as two hours," said Astrom.

Pre-planning and a few simple steps to help protect food, before and after preparation, can stop the family picnic from ending with abdominal pain or a trip to the emergency room.

Pack two coolers, one for prepared foods that are ready to be served and one for the foods you plan to cook at the picnic site. This eliminates juices from uncooked meat, poultry or fish from contaminating salads and desserts.

Chill out. Cool beverages at home before packing them in the cooler. They will stay cold

longer and be ready to drink when you arrive from the long

trip and start to set up. Keep the cooler cool. If you have room, put all the coolers in the air conditioned car not the hot trunk while traveling. At the picnic site, cover the coolers with a blanket or keep them in a tent to decrease heat from the sun. If you are at the beach, bury the cooler half deep in the sand to insulate it.

Keep meat safe. Marinate meat or poultry at home in the refrigerator, saving some unused marinade in a separate container to use at the grill. Don't reuse the marinade from the raw meat. It may contaminate the cooked food. Don't let meats, poultry or fish sit out while the grill heats up. Take meats out of the cooler once the coals are white hot and ready.

Trade plates. When cooked meats are ready to serve use a clean plate. Don't reuse the plate that held the raw meat which can contaminate the cooked food with bacteria. As items finish grilling, place them on the side of the grill to

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keep them warm until ready to serve. Keep coolers closed as much

as possible, and if possible, use a bowl of ice to keep salads cold while serving especially those containing mayonnaise or dressings.

It is always a good idea to pack drinking water as many parks may not have safe drinking water. Also if you wash your dishes at the picnic site, it is a good idea to rewash them when you get home to decrease bacterial contamination.

Two hours and trash. Remember cooked and prepared foods do not last forever in the hot sun.

Once food has been off the grill or out of the cooler for two hours it should be put into the trash. One hour is the limit on days with a temperature above 90 degrees.

Think first in, last out. When packing the cooler put in foods first that you want to take out last to keep from digging in the cooler and spilling food.

Safety First. Always pack a first aid kit and sunscreen.

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always enjoy when Brother Vincent Reyes comes for tea because I know he'll share stories of the poor he serves at the Capuchin Soup Kitchen. Father Solanus Casey and the friars started feeding the hungry there in 1929. Even though I've visited both



Linda Chomin

Reyes made a promise when he came to Detroit in 1998 to get to know the poor by eating with them but it wasn't until he decided to tell their stories through photographs that he learned some have been coming to the soup kitchen since they were children. One man wakes up everyday under a bridge. Reyes recorded them all after each was photographed by him and photojournalists Ed Haun and Chip Somodevilla of the Detroit Free Press, and Elizabeth Conley and



Anthony or "Pops" graduated from Wayne State University but got lost in the haze of heroin addiction until he turned to God in 1976. He used to work in the cemetery across the street from the about why and Capuchin Soup Kitchen. He wears a key on a chain around his neck to show he has a place to stay.

locations in Detroit, I've never had the opportunity to speak with the guests as Reves likes to call them. Maybe it's the iournalist in me or simply the human being that wants to know how they end up at the soup kitchen.



the story of the soup kitchen what we were doing," said Reyes. "People were becoming glassy eyed

"No one ever

this terrible

life but people

sense of faith.

'Pops' is on the

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to him in the

dining room

of the soup kitchen, he said

who had a great

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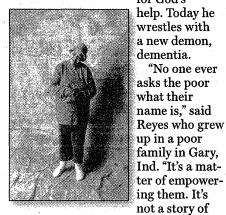
go out and tell

of the soup

Steve Perez of the Detroit News. The all-volunteer project took more than three years to complete. The book, My Name *Is*, was recently released by Wayne State University Press. Proceeds go to the soup

with the numbers, the 3 1/2 million pounds of food we provide to families a year, 55,000 to 60,000 meals a month to hungry people. I needed to humanize the numbers, to put a face on the poor."

More importantly he needed to give them a name. Anthony or "Pops" is a graduate of Wayne State University who lost his way through a haze of heroin until one day in 1976 he asked for God's



Sarah came from a family of 3 girls and 8 boys. Her father beat her mother so bad she and the kids eventually left him. Sarah came to Detroit after the Ku Klux Klan started following her in Selma, Alabama where she was born.

'now I won't be forgotten.' Alfredia on the back (cover) got caught up in drugs. It's an addiction. They don't know how to do anything about it. I got a chance to listen to people in a different way and give people a glimpse into the reality of the poor. They leave no shadow in society. People walk by. My life has been richer because of them. I would hear again and again, 'I'm blessed' and I knew they slept on the streets."

The poor are one of the reasons Reyes became a friar in 1961. Since then he's served as a retreat director in St. Clair, an emergency room chaplain in a Chicago hospital and a photog-

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BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

ummer camps aren't just for fun anymore. Kids learn valuable skills that can shape the rest of their lives. Nancy Florkowski's two kids grew up in Redford going to her Motor City Youth Theatre camps. Today son Jody, 29, directs plays at Berkley High School; daughter Jenny, 26, toured nationally with Cats and 42nd Street.

This summer MCYT offered everything from auditioning for theater to singing, dancing, and Shakespeare at the Grantland Street Playhouse in Livonia. Deadline for registration is June 10. Call (313) 535-8962. Florkowski is also holding auditions for Brundibar, a children's opera in June. Currently playing at the theater is Oliver.

This year's camp staff includes Shannon VanEsley, a former MCYT student who lives in New York where she performs professionally with children's theater, and Ray Schmidt, music director at St. Aidan's Church, Thurston High

School and Pierce Middle School.

"We're offering skill building for children of all levels," said Florkowski. "Shakespeare for Kids I'm excited about because last summer we made a short attempt at it and it was very successful. Many adults are so unfamiliar with Shakespeare because they missed out on it as a child. I want them not to look at it as a scary thing.

FARMINGTON HILLS SPECIAL SERVICES

Herman Smith is especially looking forward to offering several new camps on self improvement and healthy living. Call (248) 473-1800 to register for camps beginning the week of June 16. For details about the activities in Heritage Park, the ice arena and the Costick Center, visit www. fhgov.com.

"We're offering soccer camp June 23 and Aug. 12. Kids love to play soccer so much and it gives everybody the opportunity so no one should be scared to come out and give it a try starting at age 6," said Smith, recreation supervisor. "We have a Get Fit and Healthy camp with Michigan

Martial Arts. With today's day and age we're trying to eat and live healthier (for ages 6 to 12, week of Aug. 25)."

Back to School Confidence camp (week of Aug. 18) features an action plan to have a successful school year (boys and girls ages 6-10). New for girls ages 6-11 is Grace and Charm camp to learn table manners, posture and poise, and cell phone etiquette (week of July 7).

"It's about party planning and making good decisions about including other kids," said Smith. Also new are magic, rock musician, forensic scientist, and horseback riding camps.

FARMINGTON HILLS CULTURAL ARTS DIVISION

Rachel Timlin loves the setting for the fine arts camp in Heritage Park in Farmington Hills. Camps start June 16. To register, visit the Costick Center or call 473-1800 or (248) 473-1859.

"We've added a second session of fine art camp which has a music and performance section,

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Local author pens book to help bi-racial children



'Who I Am Not What I Am'' (AuthorHouse, \$12.49) is available at Borders, Barnes & Noble and amazon.com.

BOOK SIGNINGS

What: Tara Michener signs copies of her new book "Who I Am, Not What I Am"

When: Noon-3 p.m. June 7, Borders Express, Laurel Park Place, Livonia; noon-2 p.m. June 21, Waldenbooks, Westwood Mall, Jackson; 6-7 p.m. Blair Memorial Library, Clawson;

6:30-7 p.m. Sept. 2, Novi Public Library. E-mail: whoiamnotwhatiam@yahoo.

com

BY WENSDY VON BUSKIRK O&E STAFF WRITER

Tara Michener never thought having biracial children would be a problem, but people around her did.

"Me and my husband, before we were married, certain people would ask about what we were going to do with the children," the Novi resident said.

With her sunny disposition, Michener didn't let the ques-

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Tara Michener

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visual art, photography, painting, story telling. Kids rotate through different sections throughout the day. They get to walk around Heritage Park and take photographs. It's gorgeous," said Timlin, cultural arts coordinator.

New this year is an advanced art camp for ages 12 to 17, the Figure and the Face which focuses on sculpting clay and portrait drawing. Theater camps return to the Farmington Players Barn (grades 1-9) as does the Next Stage program, a music performance camp for singers with professionals coaching students on how to perform on stage (ages 12 to 19).

BAILEY RECREATION CENTER

Good old-fashioned fun like swimming has a new twist in Westland. For a brochure, call 722-7620. Camps begin June 16.

"We have a new rock climbing wall," said Margaret Martin, program supervisor. "If you fall off the wall you fall in the water. Kids can have a really good time."

Hoop Stars basketball camp returns as does the Shoe Theatre Company. New camps include gymnastics, tennis and Abrakadoodle art.

"Shoe Theatre Company has been here before, but we have tons of stuff this summer, five

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UPDATE ON RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS

addition, the physician should see difficulty in movement of the shoulders and knees

ands and feet that comes on over weeks and persists without relief.

of disease

Of first importance is that the diagnosis of rheumatoid arthritis still depends on a history of joint pain in the

Examination still needs to show swelling in the joints of the hand and pain in the balls of the feet. In

Advances in joint imaging with Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) means that the doctor can uncover

damage to bone that conventional x-rays could not pick up. Ultrasound equipment now under development, holds promise of revealing inflammation before it causes extensive damage and joint impairment. With this

knowledge a doctor can begin vigorous therapy early in the disease and increase the likelihood of success.

New drug therapies such as Enbrel, Humira, and Remicade provide physicians with medications that can

augment methotrexate, the basic weapon against inflammation. These new medicines while excellent, bring a

risk of susceptibility to unusual infections. Also, these new therapies are costly; insurance companies are

Investigations into the cause of rheumatoid arthritis continue. Sufficient information on the genes

involved, the molecular biology and the role of environmental change are coming together. Ultimately, this

understanding will allow physicians to decide the best therapy for each patient based on that persons profile

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reluctant to accept the cost until physicians have exhausted other less expensive remedies.

different types of camps," said Smith.

renovated the pool last summer. We have a water chair that goes down the ramp for wheelchairs and a chair lift for disabled people who want to get into the pool. We're still offering swimming lessons."

LIVONIA COMMUNITY **RECREATION CENTER**

As always, Barb Gamber is excited about Camp Swoosh, a water experience with different weekly themes for ages 6-11. For details, call 466-2900 or click on the recreation link then L Magazine at www.ci.livonia. mi.us.

"We do themes like circus week with Cirqueamongus. They practice two days then perform on that Friday. There's Cartoon Super Hero week, Wild Wild West," said Gamber, assistant facility manager. "We have a great lineup of sports camps as well from Skyhawks (soccer and multi sport camps) to Hype football camp for the first time. We've been doing basketball for the last two years. This is the first time doing baseball, and the third year for Scicluna camps for soccer."

A summer playground program meets Monday through Friday at local schools and parks.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS

The performing arts, pottery, and slimy art and science are among the offerings this summer at the arts council. For details, call (734) 416-4278.

According to interim executive director Tammy Trudell, Youth ages 5-12 will work with science experiments and art the weeks of June 16, Aug. 11, and Aug. 18. The arts council also offers training in drama, musical theater, improvisation and pantomime as well as soccer and basketball.

D & M STUDIOS

Wild Things is the theme of this year's art camps at the studio and Canton's Summit on the Park. For details, call (734) 453-3710. Ages from 3 to 16 can express their creativity in paintings, pastels, ceramics, charcoal, papier mache, and more during week long camps beginning June 16. Van Gogh, Degas and Picasso are some of the artists that will be studied.

HEALTH EXPLORATION STATION

The Station at St. Joseph Mercy Health Center in Canton brings back its Amazing Me camp to teach second to four grade students about the human body and how to keep it healthy 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 4-8. For information, call (734) 398-7518.

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CANTON LEISURE SERVICES

Camp Canton hosts programs ranging from crafts and swimming to field trips to the Detroit Science Center and Rolling Hills Water Park. Other offerings include art and drama. Call (734) 394-5460 or visit www.cantonmi.org.

"We're going green," said Jennifer Judycki who runs Camp Canton. "All materials are recycled for crafts. We try to bring in speakers to talk about leaving no waste behind. We have a garden. The kids help us plant things. We purchase caterpillars and watch the life cycle as they go to butterflies. Last year we did tadpoles and watched them turn into frogs. We try to sneak in some learning without them knowing it."

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rapher documenting the Capuchin's South American missions. Today, he's working on a project to tell the story of the novices taking their vows Aug. 2. Like him, they see themselves as making a difference.

Beth Collison learned about Reyes and the book while working with the Capuchin's **Reaching Our Potential** Everyday program that teaches baking skills to men who have spent time in jail. Collison purchases the breads, cookies, pies and muffins to serve to customers at the Faith At Work Catholic book store/coffee house in Troy.

The nonprofit opened March 13. Reyes was the first book

signing on May 17. "I love the book because you can truly hear the person

speaking as you read it," said Collison. "Their stories are faith-filled, inspirational. They really are just rich." My Name Is costs \$25 and

is available at Faith at Work, 1977 E. Wattles and through Wayne State University Press (wsupress.wayne.edu, click on Detroit). For signed copies, call Reyes at (734) 579-2100, ext. 203. Reyes is also available to speak at parishes or for book signings.

Linda Chomin is the health and community life reporter for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. She can be reached at lchomin@hometownlife. com or (734) 953-2145.

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Notice is hereby given that on June 13, 2008 on or after 9:30 a.m. that Simply Self Storage will be offering for sale under the Judicial lien Process by Public Auction the following units. The goods to be sold are generally described as household goods. Terms of the sale are <u>cash only</u>. Simply Self Storage reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. The sale will be at the following location: 34333 E Michigan Ave. Wayne MI. 48184. 734-728-8204

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Margaret Pulley - C149 - Desk, Chair, Shelf

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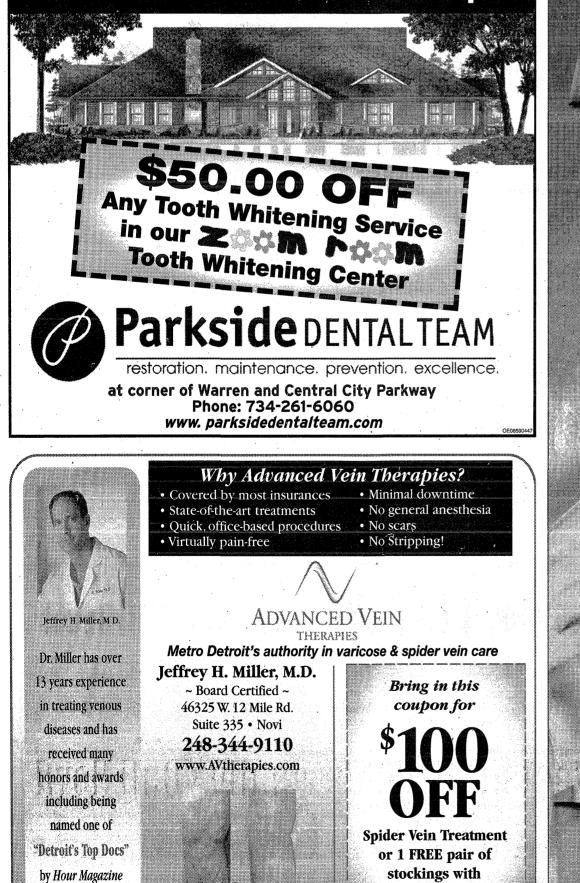
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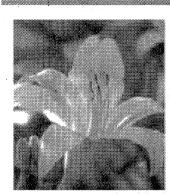
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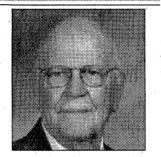
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PAUL DONALD DENN, P.E.

Age 83, died peacefully with his family by his side at Marquette General Hospital May 21, 2008. Paul relished life, his large and extended family, the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, and

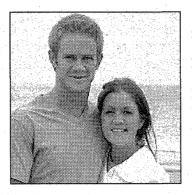
hobbies such as carpentry, photogra-phy, boating, flying, traveling and painting. Paul was born June 2, 1924, (Carriere) Denn of Ishpening, MI. There he found his great love of the outdoors, exploring the lakes, mines and back roads of the area. He also Age 80, May 16, 2008 in forged life-long bonds with childhood Beaumont Hospice. Beloved friends and relatives that enriched his husband of Rose Marie live until the end. Known by the nick-name "Slide Rule Paul", he was an (Thomadsen) and the late Loving father of Barbara James (Judy Muse), Karen outstanding student. He earned his BS (MTU) with honors, and MS (Wayne (Alan) Machcinski, Alice (Kevin) State) in Mechanical Engineering. Yash, Paul and David. Loving step-After military service in the Marines during World War II and the Air Force father to Kaarli Thomadsen, Kimberly (Evan) Kleber and Kristin (Laurence) Grey. Proud grandfather Reserves, Paul began a 32 year career with the Federal Government, Dept. of of eighteen and great-grandfather of the Army as a civilian. He achieved the position of Deputy Director of the Tank-Automotive Systems Laborafour. Dearest brother of Robert (Barbara). U.S. Army veteran. He had deep faith in God and lived his life tory, TACOM in Warren, MI. Paul was accordingly. Funeral service Saturday, especially proud to have earned his May 24, 2008, at 10 a.m., at Christ license as a Registered Professional Engineer of Michigan, although it Church Cranbrook, Bloomfield Hills. Expressions of sympathy or memo-ries may be shared with the family at: often caused him to be addressed as Mr. "Dennpe". He was elected a Fellow of the Michigan Society of Professional Engineers. Paul received many commendations during his Age 90, of Fishers, Indiana passed away Tuesday, May 20, 2008 in Carmel, Indiana. He was born career, including the "Decoration for Meritorious Civilian Service" from the Dept. of the Army. Paul published many engineering articles and was active with many professional organi-September 11, 1917 in Waveland, Arkansas to Priscilla (Shott) and zations and enjoyed a rich and fulfill-Lewis Boss. He was owner and operator of Boss Auto Parts in Dearborn, ing career. In his personal life, Paul married Patricia Cargo, also a Michigan native and moved to the MI. In addition to his wife, Elizabeth (Zwarka) Boss, he is survived by his Detroit area where they raised six daughter, Deborah (Larry) Taylor; grandchildren Kaitlyn and Evan children who thought it was normal to Taylor; and several nieces and have model tanks and ordinance calendars decorating the den. The family was active in scouting, outdoor activinephews. Graveside service was held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 24, at Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia, MI. ties Paul and Dorothy Peterson, of Ishpeming, both widowed, found each other and started their marriage Jan.1, 2000. During the past seven years they have enjoyed exploring their way country City, AZ, to escape the northern cold. In summers they live on Lake Michigamme taking in the stunning sunsets Paul loved. Dorothy and her extended family have embraced Paul and helped immensely with his care during as his health declined. Paul's easy humor, welcoming presence and generous nature will live on in the hearts of his family and a host of friends. Paul is survived by his wife, Dorothy, and five children, Diana (Joseph) Petrosky of Almont, MI; Jacqueline (Marty Calden) Denn of Chicago; Colleen (John) Leonard of Lexington, NC; Michael (Ruth Bucsh) Denn of Wildwood, MO; Susan (John) Taube of Troy, MI; and nine grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son, Paul D. Denn, Jr. and his sister, Rosemary Tomlinson. He is also survived by step-children Don (Laura Lane) Peterson, of Marquette; Brian (Valerie) Peterson, of Negaunee; and Janice (Paul Herron) Peterson of Memphis; and their eight children and grandchildren. A visitation will be held Saturday, May 24 from 4pm to 6 pm at Bjork and Zhulkie Funeral Home in Ishpeming. Sunday, May 25 visitation will be held at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Champion, MI from 2pm to 3pm with a Mass of Christian Burial to be celebrated at 3pm with Rev. Fr. Greg Heikkala to officiate. A luncheon will follow in the church hall. Interment will take place at the Ishpeming Cemetery, with military honors performed by the V.V.A. Chapter #380. Memorial donations can be directed to the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Champion, MI 49814 or to the Ishpeming Branch of the Marquette Community Fund, 401 E. Fair Ave. P.O. Box 37, Marquette, MI 49855. Paul's obituary may also be viewed at www.bjorkandzhulkie.com where relatives and friends may leave a note of remembrance.



ROBERT C. HARRINGTON

Age 86, of West Branch, passed away Vednesday, May 21, 2008 at his home after an extended illness. He had lived in West Branch for the past 10 years, formerly of Southfield. He was a member of the VFW Post #3775 of West Branch and the K of C #2022 He enjoyed golf, woodcarving, bird hunting, raising Labrador retrievers and telling stories. Robert is survived by his wife Ramona Harrington of West Branch, children, Laura (George) Dutton of Southfield, Lisa (Michael) Little of Center Line and Marjorie (David) Heathcoat of Keller, TX, grandchildren, Jamie Dutton, Jennifer .J.) Wasielewski, Sarah (Jason) Akins, Michael (Christy) Little, J.D. Heathcoat, Megan Heathcoat, Connor Heathcoat and great-grandchildren, Tyler, Kendra and Katie Little. Also surviving are his sisters, Marguerite Harrington of Southfield and Carol Hrycko of Arizona and his brother, Donald Harrington of Brighton. He was preceded in death by his brothers, Dr. Jack Harrington, Dr. Edward Harrington and Fr. Elwin Harrington OFM and his sister, Janet Grewe. Visitation will begin on Thursday, May 22, 2008 from 1-9 p.m. with a K of C Rosary at 7:30 p.m. and a Scripture service at 8:00 p.m. The Funeral Mass will be held at 2:00 p.m. Friday at St. Joseph Catholic Church in West Branch. Fr. Richard Seifferly will officiate with burial following at St. Joseph Cemetery. Memorial Contributions may be made to Hospice of Helping Hands.

DONALD D. TEMPLE Age 72, of Chebovgan, May 22 2008. Beloved husband of 48 years to Nancy; dear father of Jeffrey (Lisa), Katherine (Bill) Williams, Dean (Nicole) and Michael (Natalia) and loving brother-in-law of Keith (Lori) Kennedy. Mr. Temple is also survived by 11 grandchildren. Memorial serv-ice Tuesday, May 27th, 10:30am at the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, 23720 Farmington Rd., (btw. 9-10 Mile Rds; just N of Grand River), downtown Farmington, (248-474-5200. Memorial tributes suggested to St. Joseph Mercy Hospice or Pastoral Care Dept. of St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home. heeney-sundquist.com



Walsh-Johnson

Mrs. Philip Brooks of Canton announces the engagement of her daughter, Kristin Kelly Walsh, to Jonathan Michael Johnson, son of Stephen Johnson and Margaret Johnson of Plymouth. Kristin is also the daughter of Gregory Walsh of Howell.

Kristin is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University with a degree in business administration.

Jonathan also holds a degree in business administration from Madonna University. A winter wedding in February 2009 has been

planned. Kristin, originally from Canton and Jonathan, origi-

nally from Plymouth, currently reside in South Carolina.

ENGAGEMENTS

Siebert-Holdeman

Kathryn Ann Siebert of Mantua, N.J., and Seth Forest Holdeman of Itasca, Ill., are planning to be wed in August.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Faith and Evans Neale and Elliott Siebert. She is a 1989 graduate of Clearview High School and is employed as the general manager of Hampton Inn in W. Bridgeport, N.J. The future groom is the son

of Don and Pam Holdeman of

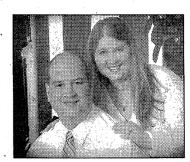
Borczak-Tomasik

John and Loretta Ingham of Redford announce the engagement of their daughter, Jamei Borczak to Curt Tomasik, son of Bev and Jim Tomasik of Redford.

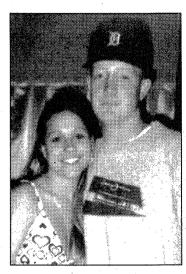
The bride-to-be is a graduate of Redford Union High School and is employed by ERS Restoring Co. in Livonia.

The future groom received his diploma in Redford and is employed by R&D Enterprise of Plymouth.

A wedding is planned for June 28, 2008, in Northville.



Westland. He is a 2000 graduate of Michigan Technological University and is employed as a mechanical engineer for Power Great Lakes in Illinois.



BIRTH

Hayden Theodore Wyble

Juliette and Dru Wyble announce the birth of their son, Hayden Theodore Wyble, on April 29, 2008, at the Aviano Air Force Hospital in Aviano, Italy.

Hayden weighed 7 pounds, 30 ounces and was 19.5 inches long at birth.

Grandparents are James and Jacqueline McCloud of Westland of Westland, Greg and Dana Landstrom of California, Jeanette Kiffer of Guam and Jerry Wyble of Texas.

Great-grandparents are John and Alice Wetterholt of Muskegon and Anna Landstrom of California.

Berkley High School Class of 1958

Planning a 50th Reunion, Sept 19-21, 2008. All members of January 1958, June 1958 and January 1959 are invited. At Somerset Inn , 2601 West Big Beaver Road, Troy. Events include: a Friday evening hospitality party, Saturday afternoon tour of BHS and lunch, dinner Party at the hotelon Saturday evening and brunch at hotel Sunday morning followed by a golf outing. Contact: csingerbhs58reunion.org for access to the web site: www.bhs58reunion.org or call Jackie Yorgen Castine, (248) 332-

REUNIONS

Dearborn. Contact Betsy Cushman at (313) 565-5972 or ecushman@ comcast.net.

Dearborn Edsel Ford Classes of 1958

The 1958 January and June Classes of Dearborn and Edsel Ford High Schools are having a combined 50-Year Reunion on Saturday Aug. 2, 2008 at the Dearborn Country Club. Judy Richards Goerke at (313) 562-9031, Judygoerke@yahoo.com or Shirley Chiado Peters at (248) 348-9443, Shirley.peters@villageford.net may be contacted for further information.

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Class of 1957

An Alumni Dinner will be held Saturday, Oct. 11, at American Legion Post No. 32, at 9315 Newburgh in Livonia. Contact Pat at 734-522-1284.

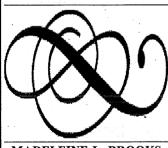
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WILLIAM EDWARD BOYD

May 21, 2008, age 83, of Rochester Beloved husband of the late Dear father of Michael Boyd Hills Marv. (Barbara Weiden Boyd), Katherine Boychuk (Bruce) Dennis Boyd (Patricia Kozdras Boyd), and the late Margaret Patel. Grandfather of Rachel Boyd. Christopher and Brother of Beverly Byrnes. Funeral services have been held. In lieu of flowers memorial tributes to Mercy Bellbrook for the Celebration Garden. A. J. Desmond & Sons, 248-362-2500. View obituary and share memories at: www.DesmondFuneralHome.com

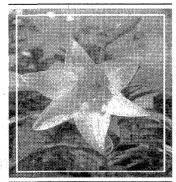


MADELEINE L. BROOKS Age 91, West Bloomfield, MI, passed May 19, 2008. Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, MI



JOHN B. JOLLY "JJ"

Age 56 (Suddenly) May 18, 2008 of Clawson. Owner of Northwestern 12Mile Rentals. Lifelong horseman with a farm in Howell. Son of the late Edgar and Charlotte Jolly. Lifelong companion of Patti Luzod and children, Stacy Luzod and Mike (Katie) Luzod. Brother of Carla (Jim) Cleary, Ed (Gale) Jolly, Craig Jolly and Margaret (Tom) Stacy. Uncle of Kristin (Andres), Katie, Megan, Chelsea, Tom, Kelly and Chris, Teddy. Also, many loyal lifelong friends. Funeral services have been held. Memorials appreciated to American Heart/Stroke Association or Humane Michigan Society. Arrangements entrusted to Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors, 248-435-0660. Obituary and condolences at: lynchfuneraldirectors.com



PAUL THOMAS OKON

Of Farmington. Beloved life long partner/companion of Jeff Lindau, also of Farmington, passed away on May 13, 2008. He was 58 years old. In addition, he is survived by sisters, Maryanne Mitrak of Sterling Heights, Louise Okon of Sterling Heights, Kathleen Okon of Lakewood Colorado, Elizabeth Coles of Summerfield, Florida, brother Ted Okon of Warren, Aunt Betty Morton of Algonac, Michigan, and numerous nieces and nephews. A memorial service will be announced.

CHRISTINE M.

VAN BAALEN Of Bloomfield Hills, died Tuesday, May 20, 2008, after a lengthy illness at Shelby Nursing Center in Shelby Township. Mrs. Van Baalen was the office manager for the Detroit office of Magnaflux Corporation. She was an accomplished artist and musician who

received a masters degree in piano performance. Christine is survived by seven nieces and nephews and was predeceased by her husband Marc J. Van Baalen. Arrangements were made by the Wm. R. Hamilton Co. Funeral Home. Interment on Friday, May 23, 2008 at Evergreen Cemetery will be preceded by a brief, private viewing at the cemetery chapel at 10:30 a.m. A Memorial Mass for friends and family will follow at a later date. Donation in lieu of flowers may be made to the Adrian Dominican Nuns.



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Planning our 20th reunion and searching for classmates. Please sign up at "yahoo groups- brighton high school class of 1989" to get more information.

Clarenceville High School Class of 1988

A reunion is being planned for the summer of 2008. Trying to reach as many classmates as possible. Send contact information to Dale Weighill

at resource@gfn.org. **Crestwood High School** Class of 1968

A 40th class reunion Oct 4, 2008. For information, contact Gail Goodall Welch, (313) 937-3477 or e-mail CHS1968Sec@yahoo.com.au.

Dearborn High School Class of 1963

A 45-year reunion planned Aug. 1, 2008. Father Patrick O'Kelley Hall,

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tions bother her, but she did start looking for answers and soon realized it was hard to find books dealing with the subject of biracial kids.

So, she decided to write one. 'We didn't find a whole lot for a child who would be like ours," Michener said. "I wanted to write a book anyway, and thought this was a great subject to start with."

The result is "Who I Am, Not What I Am!" (AuthorHouse, \$12.49) a colorful 28-page story aimed at children ages 4-8.

The book's main character is Janelle, a 6-year-old girl whose mother is black and father is white.

At school Janelle is asked by other children 'what' she is. "I went home that day and talked to my mom. I asked her what am I. She said I am beautiful, I am God's child, I am

unique and I am blessed," the book says. Throughout the book, Janelle

realizes she is smart, short for her age, loves ice cream and is good at ice skating.

January Class of 1958

A 50th reunion will be held Oct. 3 at the Dearborn Inn. Note the October date and location for the January class reunion. Call Nancy at (248) 851-5257 or Pat at (734) 427-0256 for further information.

Dearborn Edsel Ford Class of 1968

A 40-year reunion Aug. 2, 2008, at Patrick O'Kelly Knights of Columbus in Dearborn. For more information, contact Janet Wszola Robbins at (313) 277-1418 or Susan Taylor Szalony at (248) 348-6692. **Dearborn Fordson**

Class of 1969

Planning a reunion. Please contact Kathy Nisun at (248) 363-5679 or e-mail: Kayninilu@aol.com or Kathy Shoebridge @ Klivingston@nu-core. com.

Class of 1958

A 50-year reunion on Aug. 2, 2008, at Park Place. Reservations only. For information, please contact Marsha

"I am more than just a color or two," Janelle concludes.

Michener's story is brought to life with illustrations by Jessica Ingerstein, also of Novi.

Michener grew up in Pontiac and lived in Livonia before moving to Novi in 2005. She earned a bachelor's degree in journalism and public relations from Madonna University, and worked at the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers before getting hired at Valassis. There, she helps scout new talent and serves as recruitment chair with the company's Diversity Council.

She feels educating people in the workplace about diversity is important, yet even more crucial is starting with kids.

"In the corporate world we have to teach adults to unlearn," Michener said. "If we can train children early that people are people, we'll have a different America. But it's up to us to teach them." Michener said she has struggled herself with issues

of race, especially since she met her husband, Jason, who is white. The couple doesn't have children yet, but hopes to

A 50-year reunion, Friday, Sept. 19, 2008, at Burton Manor, Livonia. \$55 per person. Contact, Mike Poterala, (248) 548-4829 or mspoterala@comcașt.net.

Detroit Christ the King Elementary Class of 1963

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Detroit Holy Redeemer High School Class of 1958

A 50th reunion on Saturday, Oct. 4, 2008, at O'Kelley K of C, Dearborn. Contact Mary Burns at (313) 937-3979 or burnsmary@aol.com for information.

Detroit High School of Commerce Class of 1958 January, June and August

A 50-year Reunion will be on Saturday, Sept. 20, 2008. Contact Bester King, (248) 547-1693, or Jackie Wilkinson, (313) 861-0834.

someday.

"Once we started dating, people who I thought were open-minded and accepting would make comments that were derogatory and insensitive. When we went out in public people would stare," she said. "At this point since I'm so confident in our relationship and who we are I don't notice as much."

Michener is staging book signings and readings, and hopes to do speaking engagements at schools to promote her message.

In the meantime she says her book is resonating with a wider audience than she first expected.

"I've met amazing people since I've written it, so many people of mixed race and mothers who have adopted children of a different race,' she said. "It's just kind of opened my eyes that this isn't just going to help people who are biracial, but people who are adopted too."

Michener's book is available at Borders, Barnes & Noble and www. amazon.com. For more information, contact Tara Michener at whoiamnotwhatiam@yahoo.com.

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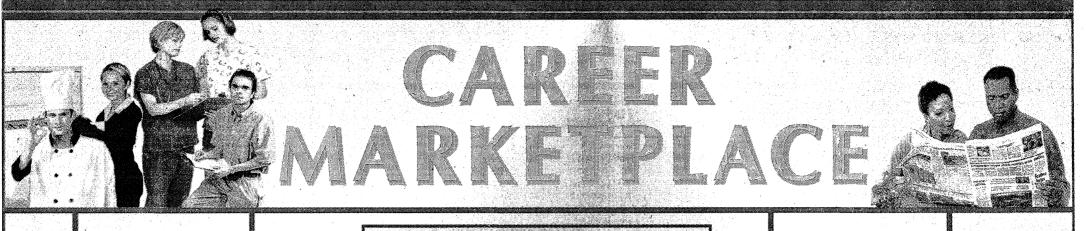
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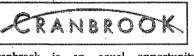
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DUMBING DOWN, THANKS TO THE INTERNET



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The Internet quietly chips away at existing standards while redefining the conduct of business. In by the rush to exploit the medium, many marketers sacrifice Culp

objectivity. They might not know that they're doing this or, if they do, simply might not care. Who will stop them? Even some industry leaders have dumbed-down while compiling and presenting information that many readers will accept as

gospel. Take the prominent advertising agency JWT Worldwide, formerly J. Walter Thompson, which in January engaged its research arm, SONAR, to survey work-related attitudes of Millennials - aka Generation Y and Echo Boomers, who are roughly 13 to 28 years old. As such, their report, "Millennials at Work: Myths vs. Reality," will be of great interest to marketers and employers. It's visual appeal is exceptional.

However, if you read closely, your guard will go up. Why didn't an outside agency, such as Harris Interactive, conduct the survey? Was the research about the Millennials or about advertising to these generations?

You find that this was an online survey of 1,250 people a self-styled "random and representative sample of Americans online," ages 21 to 64. On goes your most critical hat. While the respondents are representative of the online community, they aren't of the rest of the population. Millions of people do not spend their leisure

(or work) hours participating in online surveys. Furthermore, although the respondents worked full- or part-time, the survey excludes their occupations and industries. Alarm bells keep ringing when you read the phrase that the 19 percent of working Millennial participants in the

survey, all in their twenties, were quite well-heeled, averaging \$61,139 in household income. So the survey was conducted online by an advertising agency that somehow allowed participants to self-select. Truly, these are the people to understand if you're in advertising, because they - have buying power;

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that their Boomer parents provided them (and still do, to a greater or lesser extent)." An enormous 71 percent make money their top priority in selecting a job and a whopping 54 percent want a flexible schedule. Somehow, you rather wish that JWT Worldwide had just come out and stated, openly, that the company sought to identify the attitudes of the moneymaking Millennials.

MORSELS Reservations regarding objectivity should not, however, keep you from reading the report, which shows that the cohort doesn't really job hop, that changing every 1.6 years might be the experience of youth. This group conforms, believing "that having a job is a privilege, not a right," but they're slightly less willing than other generations to adapt to an employer's requirements. Less well-heeled Millennials might have responded differently.

What is their "unique vantage point" and what makes it unique? Is it that they're the first generation to come on board with technology always having been a part of their lives? Is that a unique - positive - characteristic or could

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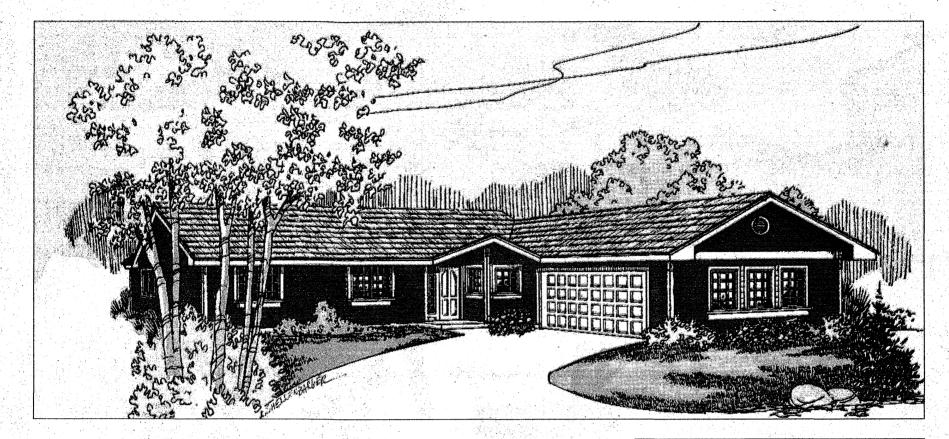
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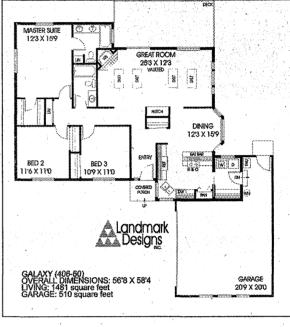
the left, while the kitchen and dining rooms are to the right. Straight ahead, beyond the coat closet/ built-in hutch, is a vaulted, spacious, great room, complete with skylights and deck access. A gas fireplace in the corner heats the home, while the patio door and large windows add plenty of light. Conversation in the kitchen and dining room is easy since only an eating bar separates the

the great room. The area in the kitchen has been designed for convenience, with the corner sink and easy to use pantry.

The utility room, with a sliding pocket door to cut down on washer/dryer noise, has been conveniently located between the kitchen and the garage. This makes carrying groceries in from the garage a snap. The master suite is located in the rear of the home where it is most quiet. The master bath includes two sinks, a tub with a frosted window for

light, and a linen closet. Across the hall two more bedrooms are close by, a feature those young families will find pleasing. A linen closet at the end of the hall provides the other two bedrooms with extra blankets and bath towels.

The Galaxy has great potential. Young families, who like to have their children close at night, or the couple whose children have left home, will find this an



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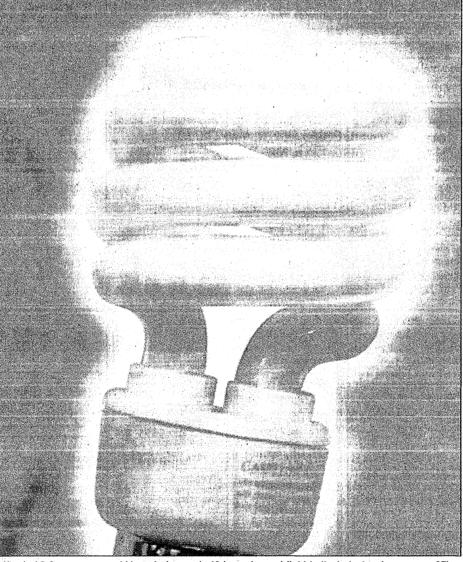
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These CFLs are available at hardware stores, large retailers, supermarkets and discount stores. CFLs are also widely available online through various sites. The CFLs on the market today can be used anywhere a traditional incandescent light bulb is used.

Another common misconception is that CFLs are not good for the environment because they contain mercury. The industry standard is 5 milligrams of mercury in CFLs. However, many manufacturers are

putting less than 3.5 milligrams of mercury in their bulbs. That is roughly the size of the tip of a ballpoint pen. The mercury is sealed in the glass tube and no mercury is released when the bulbs are in use.

CFLs offer great value. Many consumers shy away from them because of the price. The extra initial price is quickly made up in the energy savings.

To learn more about CFLs, please visit www.tcpi.com and find facts about the most common myths regarding the spiral bulb that is reshaping how we light our world.

Golf Benefit

Real Estate One will hosting its 4th Annual SCREEN DOOR OPEN "fore" Special Olympics Michigan Charity Golf Outing. One hundred and forty-four spots are available for golfers. Sponsorships are also available for the event to be held on Tuesday, June 17 at Bay Pointe Golf Club in West Bloomfield. For more information contact Real Estate One at (248) 851-4100.

BRIEFS

BIA

Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) presents Green Built™ Training on Wednesday, May 28, from 1-4 p.m. at Association Headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, in Farmington Hills.

Chris Pratt of Wake-Pratt Construction discusses building with materials and methods that result in Green Built[™] certification. Building Green offers a change from selling cost per square foot to making an environmental statement.

Topics in this training include building more energy efficient, more durable and more environmentally sustainable homes.

The training is \$50 per person, or free if you join Green Built within 30 days. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will sponsor a two-day "Green Building for Building Professionals" course on Thursday and Friday, May 29-30, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at BIA Headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway in Farmington Hills. The course is part of the National Association of Home Builders' Certified Graduate series and counts toward Certified Graduate Associate (CGA), Certified Graduate Builder (CGB) and Certified Green Professional (CGP) designations.

Chuck Breidenstein of Builder Professional Services Group will instruct attendees on strategies for incorporating green building principles into homes without driving up the cost of construction. Participants will learn how green homes provide buyers with better value, lower energy costs, lower maintenance, better indoor air quality and better long-term value.

Registration fees are \$200 for NAHBR Professional Remodeler members, \$225 for BIA members and \$300 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will sponsor a Certified Graduate "Business Management for Building Professionals" course on Monday, June 2, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at BIA Headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway in Farmington Hills. The course is part of the National Association of Home Builders' Certified Graduate series and counts toward Certified Graduate Associate (CGA), Certified Graduate Builder (CGB) and Certified Green Professional (CGP) designations.

Registration fees are \$155 for NAHBR Professional Remodeler members, \$175 for BIA members and \$200 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.





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