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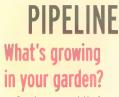
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We'll share the results with readers in an upcoming issue featuring Observerland gardeners and their recipes.

Send jpg and e-mail to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@ hometownlife.com or write to her at the Observer & Eccentric, 615 W. Lafayette, level 2, Detroit, MI 48226. Deadline for submissions is Aug. 24.

#### Buy Michigan

Lots of summer festivals and fairs feature out-of-state artists, entrepreneurs and companies, but not this one.

Buy Michigan Now is hosting its second annual festival in downtown Northville Aug. 6-8, offering area residents an opportunity to discover and support Michigan businesses and initiatives.

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Kurt Heise gets a handshake and some encouragement during election-day campaigning for Tuesday's Republican primary in the 20th House district. Heise cruised to a 2-to-1 margin of victory.

## Focused on the fall

#### Heise's GOP House win sets stage for November

BY MATT JACHMAN **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER** 

**Plymouth Township** attorney Kurt Heise will battle Joan Wadsworth of Northville, a community activist and longtime member of the school board there, for the right to represent the 20th District in the Michigan House of Representatives. The general-election showdown was set Tuesday when Heise, the former director of the Wayne County Department of Environment, easily defeated Steve Booher Jr., also of Plymouth

Township, for the district's Republican nomination. Wadsworth was unopposed in the Democratic primary. Heise, who has worked in several municipal governments and once ran unsuc



## **District makes AYP** history

#### BY BRAD KADRICH **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Students and teachers in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools - long a top performer in achievement tests such as the MEAP, the Michigan Merit Exam, the ACT and others can hang another academic trophy on their wall.

For the first time, all three high schools at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park achieved adequate yearly progress in the federal No Child Left Behind program, with all three getting "A" grades on the report card and yes" under AYP status.

"It's huge for us to achieve this," district Supt. Dr. Craig Fiegel said. "This is our work, this is what we do. It's how we get assessed on the work we do."

For the second straight year, all 16 of the district's elementary schools achieved AYP, while all of the district's five middle schools once again made the grade.

Only one - Starkweather Education Center - of the district's 25 schools failed to achieve AYP. Despite the overall failure, though, administrators were excited about the progress made at the district's

was the district's emphasis on improving the learning environment for those subgroups, the performance of which has typically held the district back in the past, that brought AYP status to all three high schools this time.

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Teachers have used professional learning strategies, studied the performance of students and then "learned how to work to improve" the learning environment, Bender pointed out. For instance, the Smaller Learning Community concept the district uses for its freshmen helped strengthen student achievement, he said.

"Over time, we've strengthened our curriculum and our instructional practices," Bender said. "The SLC is a greater learning experience for the kids. Through analysis of results, teachers make improvements in instruction Teachers are examining how students are learning, making decisions based on those results, then making adjustments in how they teach."

Fiegel said the AYP performance can't help but enhance the district's strong reputation as a destination school district for parents.

"I think people have come to s schools by how well the

will be vendors from around

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the state showcasing and selling unique art, tasty food, helpful services, cool products and inspired inventions," said Lisa Diggs, founder of the Buy Michigan Now campaign. "Several will even be launching new products at the fest."

Musical performances ranging from folk to jazz and alternative rock and alternative country will take place throughout the weekend. **Rising stars like Abigail Stauffer** and Avienne are scheduled to appear as well as acclaimed Detroit music veterans like **David Nefesh and Nadir** Omowale. Northville's popular Summer Friday Night Concert Series features The Crutches, an East Lansing band playing contemporary rock n' roll with a splash of funk and soul.

Attendance and parking at the festival are free. Special children's activities are planned each day in the Kids Zone. A health fair is hosted Friday, a barter fair is hosted Saturday and Sunday is the women's day with a Styleline magazine fashion show.

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cessfully for the Plymouth-**Canton Community Schools** Board of Education, enjoyed a better than 2-to-1 margin over Booher in the district-

wide vote total. "I always look at any election as a very competitive event, so I certainly didn't take anything for granted,"

Please see HEISE, A2



Patrick Colbeck gets in some election-day campaigning at Northville High School during Tuesday's Republican primary for the 7th State Senate seat. Colbeck cruised to an easy win to earn the GOP nod.

#### Colbeck's grassroots effort gains him GOP Senate nod

#### **BY BRAD KADRICH OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Patrick Colbeck's campaign for the 7th District seat in the Michigan Senate began with a tax-day speech at a Tea Party rally in Plymouth and extended through the grass roots of a district that runs from Downriver to

#### Northville.

And on Tuesday, that grassroots effort brought Colbeck something he'd worked hard to achieve: a victory over three other challengers in the Republican primary for the seat being vacated by the termlimited Sen. Bruce Patterson.

Please see COLBECK, A2

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Tom George	 	 	 •••	 	 	50
Pete Hoekstra	 	 	 	 ••	 	1.068
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Vira Barnara						702

11TH U.S. HOUSE

DEMOCRAT PRIMARY 

**7TH STATE SENATE** 

Dan Osterman ..... 562 DEMOCRAT PRIMARY

**20TH STATE HOUSE** 

✓ Kurt Heise..... 2,547 DEMOCRAT PRIMARY

#### 🗸 Joan Wadsworth ..... 1,301 **10TH COUNTY COMMISSION**

George Hartman ..... 684

Tim Olszewski ..... 685

#### WAYNE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

REPUBLICAN PRIMARY 🗸 Mario Fundarski ..... 2,756 DEMOCRAT PRIMARY

#### WAYNE COUNTY SHERIFF EPUBLICAN PRIMARY

Luke Granberry Jr. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. 45 🗸 Benny Napoleon (i) . . . . . . . . . . 872 

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alternative education center. Starkweather made strides

everywhere, hitting the par-

in reading and just missing

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center also fell well short of

and participation levels are

the highest we've had since

said Mike Bender, the dis-

trict's director of secondary

According to Bender,

report card grades at the

elementary and middle school

levels are based on a formula

calculated from achievement

Improvement Framework. At

also includes performance on

the Michigan Merit Exam. It's

based, he said, not only on the

achievement of all students,

but also of students in feder-

ally identified subgroups.

Administrators said it

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on the MEAP tests, along

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tors based on the School

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the federal objective of an 80-

"However, the achievement

ticipation target of 95 percent

do on these tests," Fiegel said. "When people are looking for homes, they'll use it as a way to assess your schools. It's an easy way for people to say, 'That's a successful school.""

Student achievement has long been a focus for members of the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education. As cuts have been made to the district's budget, board members have been anxious to keep the cuts out of the classroom and remain focused on the learning environment.

**Board President Steven** Sneideman said the AYP results prove the district's administration has been successful in doing just that.

"It's amazing we can continue to improve as our funding decreases," said Sneideman, whose twin daughters will be juniors at Salem High School this year. "The results this year are our best ever. We've had to focus more on what's truly important for our students to learn. The administration has done a fantastic job of that."









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Colbeck, 44, a self-employed management consultant, edged fellow Canton resident Deborah Whyman by fewer than 300 votes in Canton, and beat her in most of the Downriver communities to win by some 1,300 votes.

Colbeck watched the day's results come in with as much calm as he could muster.

"I knew there was nothing I could do at that point to change the outcome," said Colbeck, who earned the right to face Gibraltar Democrat Kathleen Law in November's general election. "Where God guides, He provides. I think going out with a positive message, focusing on honesty and integrity and the need to return to the values that made our country great were important. I think it resonated with people who are tired of the culture we're living in right now of serving ourselves rather than seeing what we can do for others."

Whyman, an attorney, couldn't be reached for comment. She finished well behind Colbeck, with Plymouth Township engineering consultant Abe Munfakh coming in third and Don Osterman of Van Buren Township a distant fourth.

Colbeck said his campaign was about people who "are concerned with the direction our state and our country are headed right now," and that the grassroots nature, and not his affiliation with the Tea Party, was responsible for the win. In fact, he said, connecting the campaign to the Tea Party "marginalizes the victory.'

"It definitely helped, but (focusing on it) marginalizes what we're talking about," Colbeck said of his Tea Party affiliation. "I think it was a victory for 'We the People.' It involved folks in the Tea Party, but there were other networks - churches, friends, family connections I didn't even know I had — that opened one door after another. Getting out there and meeting the people made the difference."

Colbeck thinks his victories in many of the Downriver communities bodes well for the general election, where one would think Law, a former state representative, would have an edge.

"The people who are supportive in the Downriver community are solid supporters there," Colbeck said. "They're some of the nicest people you ever want to know or have on your team.'

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County and a different voice than

Cox said she is ready for another

the 14 Democrats," she said.

term on the commission, but

her attention is directed to the

term, including the budget. She

her district are other important

Hartman, one of Laura Cox's

two opponents, said he knew the commission race was a challenge

for him. "I was disappointed that

I didn't fare a little better than I

did," Hartman said Wednesday

battle. Laura Cox has a lot of

morning. "I knew it was an uphill

name recognition in the commu-

Hartman campaigned in all

the communities in the district

on Tuesday. He believes that if

he runs for office again, that he

needs more of an effort to get his name and information out in the

community. "People I talked to

taxes and the amount of money

liked what I was saying," he said.

"People are concerned about their

going into government, especially

those who have taken pay cuts or

Hartman learned that cam-

"It takes more money to run for

office than you might expect, and

it takes a lot more time to get out in the community and get your

For now, Hartman will continue

paigns take time and money.

voice heard," Hartman said.

working in his private business,

office in the future. He hoped Cox

could help bring new direction to

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Olszewski could not be reached

but hasn't ruled out a run for

by phone early Wednesday.

have lost a job."

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also believes county transparency

and getting more parks money for

unfinished business in her current

#### **BY KEN ABRAMCZYK OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Laura Cox was disappointed when husband Mike lost the Republican gubernatorial primary Tuesday, but she was happy she won her race for re-election to the Wayne County Commission.

And, she has her work cut out for her. She called "working on the budget" the first order of business.

"We have a tough budget season. We have to take care of it by the end of August. It will be really difficult," Cox said.

Cox, who has served three terms representing the 10th District, received 11,583 votes, according to the Wayne County elections website. Timothy Olszewski, a retired Wayne County sheriff and Livonia resident, garnered 2,800 votes, while architect George Hartman of Northville received 2.593 votes. Cox will be unopposed in the general election Nov. 2 as no Democrat filed.

The 10th District includes Livonia north of I-96, Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Northville and Northville Township.

Cox was buoyed by the support in her hometown of Livonia, where she received 5,704 votes. Olszewski garnered 1,320, and Hartman tallied 966 votes there.

Laura Cox's disappointment was evident after her husband conceded the gubernatorial race shortly before 11 p.m. Tuesday. After voting that morning at Cass Elementary, the Livonia couple had campaigned for about two hours at Northville High School and then at Comerica Park for the Tigers game.

But she managed to smile about her own personal election results. "People really like that I am a strong voice for western Wayne

he said.

concerned about jobs and the economy and about the broken budget process in Lansing and about educating our kids the right way," Heise said.

He compared himself to

Granholm.

Bernero, the mayor of Lansing, in the Tuesday, Nov. 2, general election.

Booher, a first-time officeseeker, said he's proud of his campaign.

"I stuck to my plan, stayed away from the PAC (politi**2010 RESULTS City of Plymouth** 

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Mike Cox
Tom George
Pete Hoekstra 247
🗸 Rick Snyder 571
DEMOCRAT PRIMARY
🗸 Virg Bernero 295
Andy Dillon
11TH U.S. HOUSE
REPUBLICAN PRIMARY
✓ Thaddeus McCotter (i)
DEMOCRAT PRIMARY
🗸 Natalie Mosher
7TH CTATE CENATE
7TH STATE SENATE
Abe Munfakh
Deborah Whyman
Dan Osterman
✓ Patrick Colbeck
DEMOCRAT PRIMARY
🗸 Kathleen Law
20TH STATE HOUSE
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DEMOCRAT PRIMARY 448   Joan Wadsworth 448 <b>10TH COUNTY COMMISSION</b> REPUBLICAN PRIMARY 578   George Hartman 148   Tim Olszewski 155
DEMOCRAT PRIMARY Joan Wadsworth

and ran a clean campaign, and the results were what the results were," said Booher, a manufacturer's representative and sales representative for an Internet technology staffing firm.

Booher, like Heise, campaigned door-to-door. He said it was exciting to talk to district residents and hear their concerns. "I think a lot of people are disappointed with how government's going," he said. He did not rule out seeking elected office again, and perhaps even making another run for the Michigan House.

Northville Township, the part of Northville in Wayne County, a sliver of eastern Canton Township and the city of Wavne.

campaign he plans to continue into the general-election sea-

the 20th District includes

Heise ran a door-to-door

happy with career politicians,"

the county.

"I think the voters are very

businessman who won the Republican nomination in the race to succeed Gov. Jennifer

"We've both been in tough positions and had to turn around failing operations," Heise said.

Synder, the former chair-

pany Gateway Inc., faces Virg

BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Wayne County Commissioner Laura Cox was re-elected to another two-year term.

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called a good race.

Heise said, offering thanks to

Booher for running what he

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"I'm going to take a month right now to kind of decompress and give my kids a summer vacation," Booher said.

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#### Wednesday Children's Concerts **At Noon Downtown** Wednesday, August 11...Guy Louis



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#### Friday, August 6 in Kellogg Park

Shawn Riley Band (Irish/Celtic/Rock/Country/Blues)

The Shawn Riley Band plays blend of musical selections from the late 50s through the songs of today. Promoters have described it as Yesterday's Top 40. In addition, there is a collection of Irish and Celtic songs both new and old, a bit of country, a bit of blues, and a whole lot

of energy and fun. The key to this band is the musicians. **Russell Klausing brings** decades of experience both as a bassist and since 1997 as the lead guitarist. Jim Cracraft ioined the band back in 1998 as the bassist. The consummate

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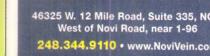
showman, Jim's passion and unbridled energy, along with his live performance prowess make him a vital cog in this band. Jerome Day is the latest addition to the band joining in 2008. Jerome's bio is impressive. In addition to the Shawn Riley Band, Jerome currently is the drummer for Mitch Ryder and the Detroit Wheels.

Many years a solo artist, Shawn Riley changed directions in 1997. As if there was some kind of sign from up above, the message was sent: The Band. What started as throwing a band together for certain events and parties back in the late 90's has evolved into one of the top live performance bands in Michigan.

#### Save the Date For These Future Friday Performances of Plymouth Music in the Air:

- Aug. 13 Randy Brock (Classic Rock/R&B) **Bluescasters** (blues) Aug. 20
- Aug. 27 Mass Transit Band (country) Lady Sunshine & the X Band (R&B) Sept. 3

Be sure to look for this article in the Observer every Thursday to find more information about each week': "Plymouth Music in the Air" performance.



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#### Class reunions

• The Plymouth High School Class of 1970 holds its 30-year reunion Saturday, Sept. 11, at the Plymouth Elks Club. Cost is \$25 per person.

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

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

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

#### **Golf outing**

The City of Plymouth Recreation Department is holding a golf outing Aug. 12 at the Inn at St. John's, and golfers are needed.

The cost is \$125 per person or \$500 for a foursome. It is a 9:30 a.m. shotgun start and all the proceeds go to recreation programs, supplies, equipment, and facility improvements.

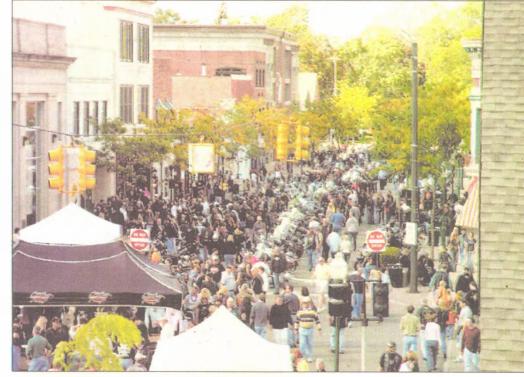
For more information or to sign up go to ci.plymouth. mi.us/index.aspx?nid=1111, or call the Recreation Department at (734) 455-6620.

#### Jazz @ the Elks

The Elks are adding a Sunday outdoor jazz concert to their August repertoire.

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

This event takes place rain



#### Chili forecast

The 15th annual Great Lakes Regional Chili Cook-off and Motorcycle Bike Show takes place Sunday, Oct. 10, in downtown Plymouth. The Chili Cook-off will feature a traditional Red Chili, a Green Chili and a Salsa competition. This portion of the cook-off is recognized by the International Chili Society (ICS) and will follow all ICS rules. The winners in each category will advance to the 2011 World Championship Chili cook-off next fall. The GLR Chili Bike Show is a ride-in show with 17 different bike categories including Harley and non-Harley classes. Anyone interested in cooking in the Red/Green/Salsa, Restaurant Chili Challenge or Battle of the Businesses should contact Annette Horn at (734) 776-9669. Event information go to www.greatlakeschili.com. Chili Ride inquiries should be directed to MotorCity Harley Davidson, (248) 473-7433 (www.motorcityharley.com) or Dick Scott's Indian Motorcycles Detroit, (734) 398-5454 (www.dickscott.com).

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

Then on Tuesday, Aug. 24, from 7-10:30 p.m., will be the ongoing Jazz @ The Elks event. Sven Anderson Trio will provide an evening of great jazz from Cole Porter to Salsa. There is no cover charge but donations are appreciated.

Plymouth Elks Lodge No. 1780 is located on Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth near Haggerty. Call (734) 453-1780 for more information.

#### **Orchestra auditions**

The Celebration Youth Orchestras, a sponsored project of the Plymouth Symphony, will be holding auditions for the 2010-2011 season on Friday, August 27, at Evola Music on Haggerty in Canton. Under the direction of conductor Nan Washburn, the Celebration Youth Orchestras provide a unique, enriching and exciting musical experience for aspiring young players throughout southeast Michigan, especially in Plymouth, Canton, Northville, Novi, Belleville, and Westland.

The CYO currently offers a full program of three orchestras and a flute choir, workshops and master classes with prominent guest soloists and composers, as well as yearly side-by-side performances with the professional musicians of the Plymouth Symphony and Orchestra Canton.

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

#### Music classes

Harmony And Me hosts their annual Music Together classes to benefit the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society later this month.

Parents or caregivers attend class with their child (babies through kindergartners welcome). Classes are 100 percent donation to the LLS, and preregistration is required on-line at www.HarmonyAndMeKids. com (click on the "register"

icon at top of home page). Participants can also call (248) 489-9330 and include desired day/time and name/ages of children attending.

Classes will be held at 541 N. Mill in Plymouth 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 14; 9:30, 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 18; and 10:45 a.m. Friday, Aug. 20.

#### Matinee series

Community Financial Credit Union, Packaging Corporation of America and the Plymouth District Library sponsor the Summer Cinema Matinee Series at the Penn Theatre in downtown Plymouth throughout the summer.

The schedule of movies includes The Wizard of Oz, Aug. 5; American Tail 2: Fievel Goes West, Aug. 12; It's a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World, Aug. 19; and Muppet Treasure Island, Aug. 26.

Shows are at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.; the box office opens a half-hour before each showing. All seats \$3. The Penn Theatre is located at 760 Penniman in downtown Plymouth. For more information, call (734) 453-0870 or visit www.

penntheatre.com

#### Fall Fest cars

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

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

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

#### Senior programs

The Plymouth Council on Aging together with the City of Plymouth Recreation Department will hold an introduction presentation to the new fall Senior Programs on Monday, Aug. 9, from 1:30-3 p.m. at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer.

Programs that will be introduced included Chair Exercise, Wii Bowling, Wii Tennis and information on the upcoming Shuffleboard.

For more information or to RSVP call (734) 453-1234, Ext. 236.

#### Lions Club Car Show

Cruisin' with Culver's and Memories in Motion Car Club is holding a benefit car show for the Westland Lions Club 5:30-9 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 11, at 6500 N. Newburgh, just west of Warren, in Westland. A \$15 donation guarantees a goody bag and dash plaque to the first 100 classic cars registered by Aug. 1. Send your name, address, daytime phone number, model make and year of the vehicle with a check made payable to the Westland Lions Club to 35013 Cady St. Westland, MI 48186.

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For more information, call (734) 522-0411.

#### **Corriveau coffee**

State Rep. Marc Corriveau will host a "coffee hour" 5:30-6:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 16, at Grecian Cafe Family Restaurant, 413 N. Main, in Plymouth.

#### Fall Fest crafts

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

The show will be on Union Street north of Ann Arbor Trail; 10-foot-by-10-foot spaces will cost \$75 per day or \$200 for the weekend. The jewelry vendor application deadline has passed. All other vendors are awarded spots on a first come-basis.

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

#### Lotus exhibit

Lotus Arts Gallery announced the opening of a new exhibition, Paint it Bold, which will be on display at the gallery through Friday, Aug. 13.

The Paint it Bold exhibit is a small group show featuring the work of artists Peggy Kerwan (mixed media), David Austin (acrylic/canvas), Diane Whitehead (acrylic & graphite/ wood, watercolor & graphite/ paper), Jeri Fellwock (acrylic/canvas or paper, mixed media) and Jeanne Poulet (acrylic/canvas).

Lotus Arts Gallery is located at 995 West Ann Arbor Trail (corner of Ann Arbor Trail and Harvey Street) in downtown Plymouth. The public is welcome to view the exhibit during gallery hours between 11 a.m. and 6 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. There is no fee.

For more information, contact the gallery toll free at (888) 889-4ART or at (734) 453-5400.



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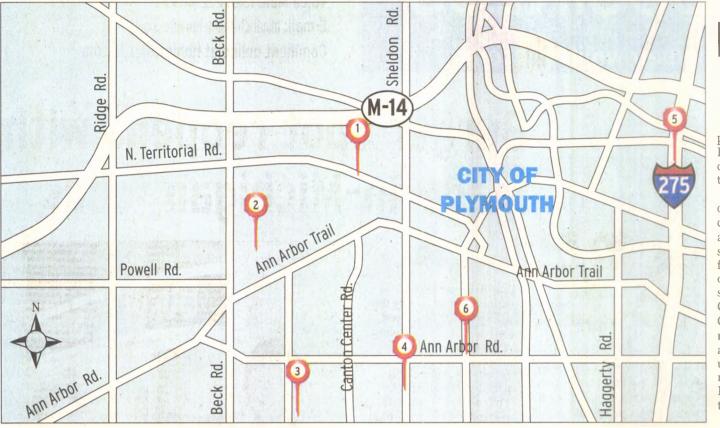
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#### Unlocked vehicles targeted in burglaries

Three vehicles were burglarized last weekend as they sat parked outside a house on Hidden Creek Drive in

Plymouth Township. The vehicles — a Cadillac, a Saturn and a Ford — had all been left unlocked, according to a Plymouth Township Police Department report.

An i-Pod was reported stolen from the Cadillac, a pair of sunglasses and stereo equipment from the Saturn and cash from the Ford, police said.

#### **Pickup burglary**

2 A camera was reported stolen Friday from a Chevrolet pickup truck that was parked in the driveway of a house on Glenview Drive.

The truck had been left unlocked, police said. The burglary occurred between 8 p.m. July 29 and 6 a.m. Friday.

#### Vandalism

**3** The rear window of a 2003 Hyundai was broken out on the night of July 29 as the car sat parked in the driveway of a house on Woodberry Road in the township.

The vandalism occurred between 9 p.m. July 29 and 6:30 a.m. the next day, a police report said. Nothing was reported stolen from the car.

– By Matt Jachman

#### **FIRE RUNS**

The Plymouth Community Fire Department responded to the following runs during the period July 28 to Aug. 3: Tuesday, Aug. 3 - Residential res-

4 cue runs on Ann Arbor Road, on Plymouth Lakes, on Plymouth Heights, on Northville Road and on McKinley; commercial rescue runs on Haggerty; downed wires on Ann Arbor Road and on Fralick; vehicle accident on Sheldon south of Ann Arbor Road; special run on Stonehedge.

• Monday, Aug. 2 - Rescue run at public buildings on Haggerty; residential rescue runs on Van Buren, on N. Territorial and on Sheridan; vehicle fire on Sheldon.

• Sunday, Aug. 1 - Open burn on Bradner and on Ann Arbor Road; residential rescue runs on Marc Trail, on Meadow Hill Lane, on Greenbriar and on Embers Court.

**5** Saturday, July 31 - Residential rescue **5** runs on Marily, on Russell and on Burroughs; vehicle accident on northbound I-275 at Hines; special run on Clair; commercial rescue run on Main.

• Friday, July 30 - Residential rescue runs on Van Buren, on Risman, on Portsmouth Crossing and on Grant; rescue run on Postiff; vehicle fires on Starkweather and on southbound I-275; investigation on Pine Bluff; rescue run at a public building on Haggerty.

**6** Thursday, July 29 - Residential rescue fruns on Haggerty, on Briarwood, on Ann and on Charnwood; special runs on Irvin, on Ann and on Ann Arbor Road; vehicle accident at Ann Arbor Road and Main and on eastbound M-14 at Northville Road.

• Wednesday, July 28 - Fire on Southview Lane; special runs on Haggerty and on Newport; rescue run on Haggerty; commercial rescue run on Helm; residential rescue runs on Northville Road, on Mill and on Wilson.

## **Complaints don't halt patio plan for Penniman eatery**

#### BY MATT JACHMAN OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Complaints Monday about problems that were blamed on Plymouth's bar scene couldn't derail plans by its newest addition to add outdoor seating.

A motion to rescind approval of the construction of a socalled "bump-out" - a patio adjacent to the sidewalk with space for 10 to 12 tables - in front of the Rock Bar & Grill on Penniman died for lack of support at Monday's Plymouth City Commission meeting. **Commissioner John Barrett's** motion would also have put a moratorium on bump-outs until a commission subcommittee finishes its study of Plymouth bars and restaurants that are licensed to sell alcohol.

Doug Welko, a partner at the Rock, which opened in December, said he was pleased with the commission's move. He said he's worked hard to build a successful business that adds to the community.

"I'm not trying to create a gogo bar or a spring-break atmosphere anywhere in this town," Welko told the crowd gathered at Fairground Park for the meeting.

But several residents said the drinking establishments on Penniman between Main and Harvey have created a noisy, litter-strewn, unpleasant atmosphere on the block at times, and that adding outdoor seating at the Rock would complicate that problem. Some said people gathered outside the bars on Penniman can be intimidating. Laurie Seymour said she's hesitant to let her older chil-

dren walk downtown. "It's just sad that I don't feel comfortable going there any

more at night," Seymour said. "You're inviting the noise, you're inviting the aggravation," said Ellen Elliott, executive director of the Friends of the Penn Theatre. Elliott complained that she recently stepped outside the Penn late on a Saturday and could hear the bar crowd on the next block.

Norma McKenna, who organized opposition to the bumpout, said there had been no input from residents before the plan was approved this spring. She argued the Rock had deviated from the original business plan that had been filed with the city — she called it a "party bar," not a family restaurant and therefore should be denied the patio seating.

"They were approved for a plan that is not reality," she said.

The bump-out patio will take up three parking spaces in front of the Rock and the adjacent Plaka Mediterranean Grill, Welko said.

The building's owner, Patrick Tortora, late last week paid the city the estimated project cost of \$37,000, plus a contingency for possible cost overruns, but the patio has not yet been designed. Tortora said the Rock's owners will reimburse him through a surcharge on their rent.

The arrangement also calls for the Rock to pay the city an annual fee for the use of public space.

The Rock had its defenders. Welko said he knows some patrons congregate outside to smoke, and that he's taken steps to ensure the areas surrounding the building, even those not on its property, are daily swept free of cigarette butts and other litter. The windows are closed at 10:30 p.m. to cut down on noise, he said.

"It's making it seem like it's a war zone back there," said Tortora of complaints about the atmosphere on Penniman. "It's not."

Colleen Pobur, a former commissioner and current member of the Michigan Liquor Control Commission, said Plymouth has one of the state's best liquor control ordinances, one that gives officials the tools for handling problems stemming from establishments that sell alcohol by the glass.

"Respect the work the city, and especially the police department, are continuing to do," Pobur said.

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#### **CHAMBER CHAT**

#### **Networking session**

Networking is more than just shaking hands and collecting business cards. Networking is about building mutually beneficial relationships that can bring new customers, expand business or provide referrals for everyone involved.

This is why the chamber's 10-member Connection networking sessions are so popular. The small group setting of 10 members, each from a different industry, makes it easy to connect with each other in an open and friendly environment.

To sign up for the session on Thursday, Aug. 12, from 8-9 a.m., call Wes Graff at (734) 453-1540. The event is held at the Chamber office, 850 West Ann Arbor Trail. Attendees should bring marketing materials to hand out; chamber officials ask people not to attend two consecutive months to allow for a new mixture of people each time.

#### **Breast Cancer Walk**

Once again the walkers for Susan G. Komen Walk for the Cure will come through downtown Plymouth. Come to Kellogg Park on Saturday, Aug. 14 to cheer these walkers on. They will be coming through between approximately 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

#### Business Development Seminar

The next workshop in the Chamber's ongoing Business Development Series is "Sell More, Sell More Easily" on Aug. 24 from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the Chamber Office. The seminar will be presented by Mike Winn from Sandler Training in Ann Arbor. Sandler Training is a world

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#### **Bags for businesses**

The Chamber will be making up bags to give to new businesses when they open in the Plymouth Community. Businesses with items to be included can drop off 10 items of their choice (brochures, promotional items, etc.) to the Chamber office by Friday, Aug. 6. Call (734) 453-1540 for more information.

#### 'Summer Splash'

Downtown restaurants are hosting a pub crawl Saturday, Aug. 14, from 1 p.m. to midnight. The cost is \$8 and includes drink specials, complimentary buffets, raffles, live music, a dunk tank and beach volley ball. Participating restaurants include: 1999 Tavern, 336 Main, Doyle's Tavern, E.G. Nicks, Ironwood Grill, Penn Grill and Sean O'Callaghan's. For more information, call (734) 667-5614.

#### Beach party

Grab your surfboard and beach blanket and then head over to the networking shores of Plymouth at Nico and Vali on Wednesday, Aug. 25. A summer blowout is planned with great food on the back patio of the restaurant.

There will be door prizes, a summer networking game to make sure everyone feels comfortable meeting new people, complimentary food and a cash bar. The event will be from 5:00-7:30 p.m. Nico and Vali is located at 744 Wing Street which is just east of Main Street and one block south of Ann Arbor Trail.

south of Ann Arbor Trail. There is no cost to attend this event. Please RSVP to teri@plymouthmich.org or call (734) 453-1540.

## Burger Spot reopens with made-in-Michigan focus

**BY MATT JACHMAN** OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Tony Belli and Frank Agostini are emphasizing the local flavor with their latest restaurant venture in downtown Plymouth. Partners at E.G. Nick's

on Forest, the duo recently reopened the Burger Spot, which is also on Forest, as a burger and hot dog restaurant.

"We're doing the same thing, but putting a little bit of a different spin on it," said Agostini.

The Burger Spot serves hamburgers, hot dogs, Italian sausages, fries, onion rings, soft drinks, miłkshakes and chips, Agostini said. But from the hamburger buns to the pop to the chips to the sausage, products will come from Michigan companies whenever possible, he said.

"We're trying to use as many things (from Michigan) as we can," he said, adding he figures the new Burger Spot can help the local economy the old-fashioned way — by buying from its neighbors. "It's going to work the way it used to work."

Buns will come from the Brown Bun Co. in Detroit, the chips will be Better Made, they'll offer Faygo and Towne Club pops as well as national brands, plus locally produced hot dogs, and even the Italian sausage and the meat-grinding services will be local — from the Avenue Market, right down the street.

The new Burger Spot also has a local theme on its walls: Denise Kat, a cousin



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Burger Spot staffers Rebecca Dobson, Ryan Thomas and Spencer Laird welcome you with a juicy swiss burger and a pile of fries.

of Agostini, did two interior murals, one depicting state landmarks (the Mackinac Bridge, a Bob-Lo boat), the other local landmarks (The Penn Theatre, Daisy Manufacturing). The Burger Spot also got a

new ceiling, new paint on the walls, its floor sanded as well as

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other renovations, Agostini said. The new Burger Spot will also have some menu items that are off the beaten path: Philly cheesesteaks and, for the non-meat-eaters, tofu hot dogs and a spinach-and-feta Greek burger.

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#### **Business News**

 WDIV's Vote 4 the Best Contest is going on through Labor Day. Many Plymouth businesses have been nominated including Genuine Toy Company- Best Toy Store; Dairy King- Best Ice Cream; Plymouth Historical Museum- Best Museum; Plymouth Yoga Room- Best Yoga Studio: Art in the Park-Best Festival; Plymouth Coffee Bean- Best Coffee Shop; TranquiliTea- Best Tea House; Penn Theatre- Best Theater; Magnolia's- Best Flowers; Fiamma Grill- Best Brunch; Spa Julianna- Best Day Spa; Sideways- Best Gift Shop; and many more. Go to WDIV's website – clickondetroit.com – and search "Plymouth" to find out all the local entries and vote for your favorites.

#### 'Green' street lights

Hella, a major automotive lighting and electronics supplier, is introducing a new line of energy-efficient LED street and area-lighting products designed to replace conventional lighting on streets, parking lots and commercial property throughout North America.

Based on more than 20 years of LED development and manufacturing experience, Hella has developed a unique "retrofit" module to replace conventional lamps on existing installations, as well as high-power LED modules for new installations.

The company's new Eco StreetLine lamps offer significant energy and maintenance savings compared to conventional street lights, according to Steve Lietaert, industrial product group director at Hella Electronics in Plymouth.

Lietaert said the company is launching its new LED product line this month with an installation program in Flora, Illinois.

#### Retail runner

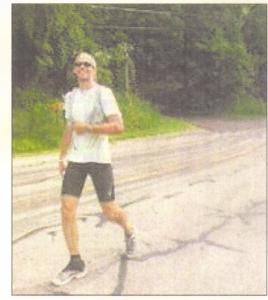
As if running the T-Mobile Store on North Canton Center Road wasn't enough to keep him busy, Retail Store Manager Steven Rose decided to run across Michigan – and that amazing feat has made him a nominee for the Governor's Kuntzleman award for dedication to physical fitness.

"It was really just me going out for a run, basically. But it took five days," Rose said. "I'd heard about people running across the US and I wondered how far I could go."

Rose wasn't always so cavalier about running, however, at least not after his first attempt six years ago. He and his father were trying out the Muddy Buddy, an off-road racing course involving running and biking. Though he was an avid mountain biker at the time, Rose was surprised how challenging he found the running portion.

"At the time I was 32, Dad was 53," he recalled. "Dad beat me."

Fortunately, working for T-Mobile in Canton has been the perfect opportunity for Rose to meet his new challenge. He began working for



T-Mobile's Steven Rose on the fifth day of his crossstate run.

the company in 2007 and was immediately impressed with their dedication to employee well-being. The generous time-off package he and all employees receive upon hire was just what he needed to devote more time to his training.

"They really live up to their word on promoting a healthy work/life balance," he said of the T-Mobile philosophy. "I just took time off to run both this year's Muddy Buddy and run across the state, and I've already got another three days off to run in Colorado in August."

The day after Rose and his father took first place in their division of the July 11 Muddy Buddy in Stoney Creek Metro Park, he began his five-day, 205.98-miles, 43-hour-33-minute-17-second run from Gross Ile to Grand Haven.

Rose ran each of five days and slept at various locations across the state each night, from his own home to staying with friends. Day One began in Gross Ile and went to Plymouth; on Day Two he ran from Plymouth to Fowlerville; Day Three took him from Fowlerville to Eagle; on Day Four he ran from Eagle to Grand Rapids; at the end of Day Five, he stopped running at the end of the pier in Grand Haven.

"There was no way I could have kept going," he said of his last steps. "I was done."

#### **Co-chairs named**

Leave A Legacy-Southeast Michigan has named its co-chairs for 2010-2011, including Christopher Belcher of Plymouth.

The co-chairs will oversee a regional public awareness campaign in southeast Michigan focusing on the need for individuals to support their favorite charities through a charitable bequest in their wills or estate plans.

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Belcher is a Vice President with Fifth Third Private Bank in Southfield/Ann Arbor.

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August 20	Thornetta Davis	Sam's Club Ford Rd. and Lotz	No.
August 27	The Brothers Groove with Chris Codish	Home Depot Ford Rd. and Lotz	

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#### LOCAL NEWS

Medical conference gives

Salem student a doctor's view

## Local women compete in USA National Games

Special Olympics Michigan officials announced three Area 23 (Wayne County) athletes - including two from Canton - competed at the 2010 Special **Olympics USA National Games** 

as part of Team Michigan in Lincoln, Neb. Team Michigan included 58

Special Olympics Michigan athletes, two unified partners, 17 coaches and four Special Olympics Michigan staff members.

Local women who competed included Emily Campbell, a 20-year-old from Canton who competed in aquatics, and 22year-old Julie Trublowski, who competed in athletics.

Campbell competed in four different events at the 2010 National Games. Campbell finished first in the 25-yard butterfly and the 50-yard freestyle, and was sixth in the 100-yard freestyle. She also got a participation ribbon in the 4- by 50yard medley relay.

In addition to the sports, Campbell enjoys playing Wii and computer games, listening to music and dancing.

Trublowski has been involved with Special Olympics for 14 years. While at the National Games Trublowski placed third in the 100-meter run, third in the 200-meter run, third in long jump and third in shot put. In her spare time Trublowski likes to play with her dog Chopper, ride her bike and exercise.

There were a total of approximately 3,500 athletes from all over the nation competing at the 2010 Special Olympics USA National Games. Also in attendance at the 2010 Special **Olympics USA National Games** were 1,000 coaches, 15,000 family and friends, 8,000 volunteers and more than 30,000 fans to cheer on the athletes as they pursued their quest for gold.

Students at the medical conference got to practice sutures on pig's feet.

#### BY BRAD KADRICH **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

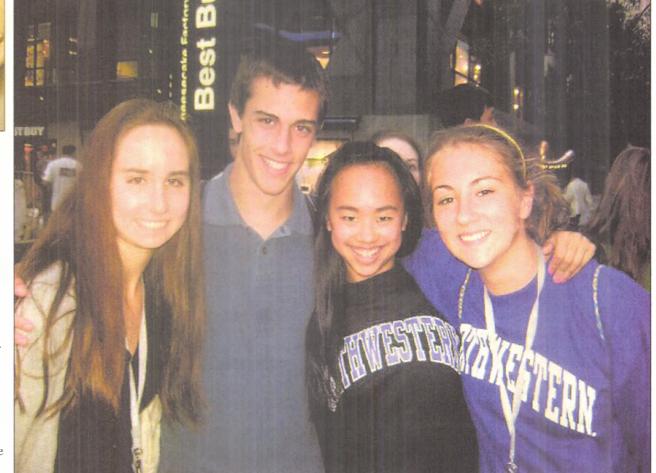
After Brandon Ciciotti did well on his PSAT during his sophomore year, he got an invitation from the National Youth Leadership Conference asking him if he'd be interested in attending a law school conference. Considering he's pretty much always wanted a career in medicine, Ciciotti politely declined, though he mentioned that, if they had a camp focused on medicine, he'd be interested in that.

Turns out they did.

That's why Ciciotti, 17, the son of Linda and Chet Ciciotti of Canton, spent 10 days this summer at the National Youth Leadership Conference on Medicine and Health Care at Northwestern University. The program was designed for prospective medical students to experience firsthand a day-in-the-life of a doctor and to understand national and global health concerns.

"I always considered (a career in) medicine as long as I can remember, but I made up my mind for sure about a year ago," said Ciciotti, who starts his junior year at Salem High School next month. "I always thought I would like to help people. I realized it would be a really good match for me."

The 10-day sojourn included tours of Northwestern's Feinberg School of Medicine, Northwestern Memorial Hospital, the Museum of Surgical Science, the Museum of Science and Industry, the Navy Pier and



Brandon Ciciotti of Canton (second from left) with fellow conference-goers Michele Schuhriemen of Sonoma, Calif., Heather Ngai of Burlingame, Calif., and Allison Souhrada of Mead, Colo. The conference attracted students came from many other states and from as far away as Hong Kong, Mexico, Puerto Rico, and China.

#### Millenium Park.

It was designed to allow students to learn medical examination and clinical skills, diagnostic methods, treatments for diseases and the latest research and trends in healthcare. Students got to go behind the scenes on rounds with doctors, attend lectures with leading medical professionals, practice surgical techniques and simulate a response to a national disease outbreak.

"I got a look at all the different professions that are available, got kind of an overview and an idea of what I

wanted to do," said Ciciotti, a TAG student in middle school.

Ciciotti wasn't sure what kind of medicine he wanted to study until he went to Northwestern, where students watched a movie, "Wit," about a woman who develops ovarian cancer.

"I wasn't really sure what I wanted to do at first, but now I want to go into oncology," he said. "The woman dies at the end of the movie, and it was really emotional and everyone was crying."

The movie also touched Ciciotti because his grandmother is a cancer survivor who nearly died of the disease bkadrich@hometownlife.com | (313) 222-8899

(she's been cancer free for 18 months now).

"I think maybe that inspired him," said his mother, Linda. "(The camp) really gave him a good bird's eye view of the lifestyles doctors live, and how much they sacrifice. One of the greatest benefits of this program is that it allowed Brandon to problem solve, discuss, and learn about medical issues with so many people from not only various regions in the U.S. but from around the world."



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#### LOCAL NEWS

## Written contract best when making loan to family, friend

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The client s dilemma is that a friend had fallen on hard times

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friend made it clear he

would pay interest on the loan and that it wasn't a gift.

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Based on this answer, I told him the real issue was whether he could afford to take a financial loss if his friend did not repay the loan. My client said he could afford the loss, the only issue was how the transaction would impact his friendship.

I told my client this was not a financial matter but a personal one regarding his relationship with his friend. Since he wanted to loan the money, I recommended that the transaction be reduced to writing.

When you loan someone money it makes sense to formalize the understanding in a written agreement which includes payment terms, interest (keep in mind that even if you do not want to charge interest depending upon the amount of the loan you may be required by tax law to have at

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least a marginal interest rate) and what happens in case of default. Even if you have no intention to begin legal proceedings upon a default, it's still important to have these provisions in the agreement.

A written agreement lets the individual who is borrowing the money know he/she has a legal obligation to repay the loan. On the whole, when friends loan money to each other or to other family members, they must proceed with caution. All too often I have seen relationships ruined when family and friends have loaned money to each other and things don't work out. Of course, it can cause difficulties if you're asked to loan money and you do not. As adults, we all have to make tough decisions and sometimes when it comes to loaning money to family and friends, it is difficult to say no.

If you decide to loan money to family or friends, the key is to have written documentation so there are no misunderstandings. Can someone draft a simple loan agreement themselves? The answer is yes. There are many websites with forms that can be used. However, if a significant amount of money is involved it may make sense to have an attorney draft a loan agreement. Hiring a lawyer confirms the seriousness of the matter.

Good luck!

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#### BY LEANNE ROGERS OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

There will be a chance to view more than 250 cars and motorcycles and help raise money to aid veterans Saturday at the Wayne Ford Civic League.

It's the third annual Car Show for Vets, scheduled for 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., but the first year the event has been held at the Wayne Ford Civic League located on Wayne Road south of Ford in Westland. The previous two years, the car show was held at Canton UAW Hall.

"This (the civic league) is a bigger place, so I expect it to be full," said Paul Jingozian, an event committee member. "We get real good attendance. We get good participation with cars and motorcycles."

The show will draw a wide variety of vehicles, said t

Jingozian, including Model T's, military vehicles and up to newer model custom cars. Prizes will be awarded in each class with a special best in show prize.

"You'll absolutely see a full range of vehicles. There is no charge for attendance," he said. "We will have silent auctions where you drop in tickets. We have hundreds of different items."

At the previous two car shows, the committee raised more than \$52,000 to benefit area veterans.

"Money goes to Voluntary Services — they use the money for toiletries, blankets or other items that the VA doesn't provide," said Jingozian. "The money has been used for the extended care unit — the palliative care."

Last year, proceeds from the car show were used to fly World War II veterans to Washington, D.C., to visit the World War II memorial.

"We paid for a plane load of veterans from this and other donations," Jingozian said.

This year, half of the proceeds will go to support hospitalized veterans with personal care items. Twentyfive percent of the proceeds are earmarked for a Southeast Michigan Veterans Stand Down for homeless veterans. Ten percent has been designated for Traumatic Brain Injury Association of Michigan (TBI), with 10 percent also going to Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 310 to mail care packages to the troops and the remaining 5 percent allocated to Blum's Landing, which provides free vacations to returning **Operation Enduring Freedom** (Afghanistan)/Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The car show will have a 1960s flavor with a special appearance by Detroit disc jockey Lee "The Horn" Alan, who will do some disc jockey work as well as sign autographs. The world famous Monkeemobile will also be on display. Daddy G. Knight will be providing music for the day.

Along with a chance to check out or show off vehicles, the Car Show for Veterans also offers veterans a place to get assistance on a variety of issues.

Registration for participants will begin at 8 a.m. Preregistration is \$15 or \$20 at the door for cars and \$10 or \$15 at the door for motorcycles.

For more information, call John Kinzinger at (734) 994-0444.

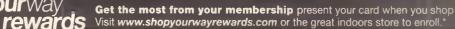
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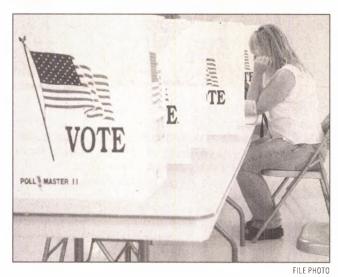
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#### **OUR VIEWS**



People have a lot of reasons why they don't vote, but the one reason they should is that we live in a democracy. Voting is how we determine our course of action at the local, state and national levels.

## Did you vote? There's no excuse for a low election turnout

On Tuesday, voters went to the polls to decide who will advance to the November general. To those committed to the democratic process and who went to the polls, we'd like to say thank you. To those who were no shows, we'd like to ask where you were.

It's a question we should ask at every election from the very local selection of a member of the school board trustee all the way up to president of the United States. The turnout for the former is pathetic at best, while the latter attracts more interest, but there are still a lot of registered voters who fail to participate in the elective process.

The decision of who will lead our state and who will represent our interests in Congress should be a decision of the all eligible voters, not a few. Nonvoters have their reasons for not going to the polls, everything from feeling their vote doesn't count and being too busy to not liking the candidates or lines that are too long at the poll places.

Lame excuses. Every votes matters. The smaller the election, the more an individual vote can count, and the more empowered the voter. Some of those candidates in Tuesday's election started out getting voted in at the local level, and that's one spot where we all can have significant influence. Too busy? Lines too long at the polls? Try applying for an absentee ballot and do your voting at home. Don't like the candidates? How are they going to know, if you don't tell them, and the one way to do that is at the polls on election day. Here's a few reasons that the Douglas County, Nev., clerk-treasurer came up with why people should vote. We like what he has to say and we think our readers should consider it in deciding if they'll participate in the November general election: 1) It's your money. The county commissioners, governor, state officials, legislators, president and members of Congress you vote for will decide how much of our wealth to invest in public services and how to fairly share the tax burden. 2) It's your children's education. You elect local and state school board members who set public education policy and budgets that will affect how well prepared your children and grandchildren will be for the future. Decisions by our legislators, governor, members of Congress and president also affect the public schools and the quality and cost of higher education as well. 3) It's your job. Congress, the president, the governor and your legislators influence what job training is available, minimum wage, pay equity, fairness in hiring, health insurance through your employer, job and pension security, and workplace safety. 4) It's your health care. Actions by the governor, legislature and Congress as well as their decisions on Medicaid, Medicare and private insurance laws determine your access to health care. 5) They're your highways. Your county commissioners, legislators, governor and members of Congress decide what highways are needed, what alternatives to highways such as public transit to support, and how to pay the bill. 6) It's your Social Security. The president and your members of Congress decide how much payroll tax you pay, cost of living increases and benefit schedules for your Social Security pension, and what Medicare services you receive and share payment for. 7) You live in Michigan. Your county, state and national elected officials set standards, enforcement strategies and budgets. They plan and zone where roads and industries will be built and how public lands will be used - decisions that can determine how and where you live and work. 8) It's your neighborhood. The elected officials and judges you vote to retain make daily decisions about crime prevention, laws and law enforcement, safe and affordable homes, traffic patterns, where to put schools, parks and recreation. 9) They're our children. We do our best to keep them healthy, fed, safe, educated and cared for. The officials you elect can help or hinder all families in achieving their goals and dreams. And the most important reason why people should vote: It's your democracy. Make it work.

#### **COMMUNITY VOICE**

Do you favor a temporary moratorium on deep-water drilling in the **Gulf of Mexico?** 

We asked this question outside the U.S. Postal Service station on Penniman in downtown Plymouth.



"Yes. ... They need to have some solutions in place." **Denise Cole** Howel



"No, 'cause we need the freakin' jobs and oil. There should be some kind I think we need to know a of restrictions." **Chuck Abela Plymouth Township** 



"Yes. Until they find out what caused the accident, little bit more about what happened."

"The temporary? Yes, just temporary. Not more than six months." **Anne Schlick** Plymouth Township

Rosie Shemanski **Plymouth Township** 

### LETTERS

#### Accountability needed

The answer is clear, the citizens and children of the Plymouth-Canton Schools deserve better. We as citizens continue to throw our hard-earned money away at a failing school system. The Plymouth-Canton school board administrators along with its teachers need to know that the free ride is over. It is clear from Mr. Fiegel score card things are not working. It is also clear that compensation for administrators and teachers needs to be cut immediately due to bad performance. What Plymouth-Canton needs is accountability, not money. The citizens of Plymouth-Canton can no longer support renewing school mileages and step raises when administrators and teachers are failing our citizens and our children.

#### WHAT DO YOU THINK?

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maximum rate paid by the working poor of this country and much less than the maximum rates of 25 percent and 28 percent paid on the top end of incomes earned by most working class Americans.

The third tax on excess is the estate tax, levied on the value of an estate beyond the \$3.5 million level at the rate of 45 percent except when the beneficiary was a spouse, in which case the amount over the \$3.5 million threshold would not be taxed at all. This "death tax" expired in 2010. Consequently, the multibillion dollar estates of people like George Steinbrenner, shipping magnate and Yankee owner, will

Keith Martin Plymouth

#### **Code speak**

As you listen to Republicans (and Tea Partiers, too) railing against taxes and accusing Democrats of being "tax and spend liberals," be sure you grasp the irony.

Although their speeches are designed to elicit populist support, Republicans will neglect to point out that most working class people will not be the targeted beneficiaries of tax reductions if they are get their way. When Republicans talk "tax" (personal taxes) they are really not talking about what most in the middle class are referring to; you know, the payments collected on nearly every dollar needed to feed, clothe, educate, house and provide medical care for a family as well as to augment retirement in some minuscule way,

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provided that there is anything left.

"Taxes" that concern real Republicans most are nothing more than federal levies on excess, the taxes on income and assets that most of "we the people" either pay only on rare occasions or do not have the privilege of ever getting to pay at all.

Among these are marginal income taxes on taxable household incomes well beyond that used to take care of necessities, those portions of personal incomes that exceed \$357,700 for couples filing jointly at the paltry rate of 35 percent. This group of taxes on excess also includes capital gains taxes on things like dividend income, proceeds from the sale of investment-based real estate, proceeds from the sale of stocks that have appreciated and other passively earned income at the obscene maximum rate of 15 percent, the same

be passed to heirs tax free.

All three taxes have been and will continue to be sources of considerable conservative consternation and Republicans are already calling for permanent abolition of the estate tax and a reduction in the top marginal income tax rate to as low as 26 percent. As the November elections approach we should be mindful that most of the tax cuts that the Republicans want to extend into the future only benefit the top 5 percent or less of the population.

Do not be deceived, the Bush tax cuts for the wealthy have been identified by economists such as Paul Krugman and Dean Baker and many others as a prime drivers of current and future budget deficits that Republicans claim to be so concerned about reducing. The data also shows that tax cuts for the wealthy do not provide added tax revenue or create economic stimulus, as some defenders claim, and consequently should be allowed to expire.

> Mitch Smith Canton

#### **GUEST COLUMN**

### School officials take wise steps toward diversity

lymouth-Canton Community Schools should be commended for its outreach efforts to ensure that all qualified applicants for positions in

Tom Costello

its schools are considered State law calls for

equal opportunities for all in employment. This can be achieved by guaranteeing a fair and open process for application to a position. For too long, many

have relied on filling positions with in-house

referrals not making serious outreach efforts to ensure that all qualified individuals were aware of openings. In some cases, this has been a tacit tactic aimed at excluding certain people from even being considered for positions. If you don't know about a job, you can't • apply for it.

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools are wisely taking steps to ensure that it is has a strong and varied applicant pool of highly qualified candidates as it seeks teachers for an increasingly diverse student body and global economy. Teaching is as much an art as it is science. Diverse teachers and administrators bring with them experiences, perspective and balance to the global dialogue on how their value in the system gives both academic strength and cultural strength for all of our students.

A simple test doesn't determine the best teacher; in fact, it rarely determines the best in any profession. There is room for discretion, and in the past, in many areas of suburban school hiring, that discretion has worked to limit diversity. Plymouth-Canton Community Schools is choosing not to work from that rubric anymore but to welcome the opportunity to reach out to candidates who may have been previously ignored in an effort to ensure all teachers at the schools will have both the knowledge required and the ability to infuse students with a diverse knowledge base.

We are encouraged by the school district's collaboration with the Plymouth-Canton Citizens for Diversity and Inclusion, who are committed to helping PCCS in their efforts to add diverse and qualified teachers.

Diversity is the strength of every community; helping all better understand the goal of judging based on character, not skin color. The best way to teach that is to practice it. Plymouth-Canton Community Schools is working to be the leader in this lesson. The Michigan Roundtable for Diversity and Inclusion is prepared to support the strong outreach efforts of PCCS, Plymouth-Canton Citizens for Diversity and Inclusion and other school districts willing to make a bold effort to do the same.

Thomas Costello is president and CEO of the Michigan Roundtable for Diversity and Inclusion. Prior to joining the Michigan Roundtable, he served on its Board of Directors and was general counsel and vice president for an information technology company in Detroit.



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## Primary voters cite economy as top state issue

#### BY MATT JACHMAN **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

With Michigan's unemployment rate at more than 13 percent, the economy was the top issue for many voters as they headed to polling places in Plymouth and Plymouth Township for Tuesday's state primary.

The voter participation rate in the two communities averaged just over 30 percent, and both city and township voters sided with the statewide winners in the race for governor: businessman Rick Snyder, the Republican nominee, and Lansing Mayor Virg Bernero, the Democratic winner.

"Jobs, jobs, jobs," said Todd Baginski as he arrived to vote at Precinct 3, at Plymouth Township Hall, just after 4 p.m.

"It's been a debacle," said Bob Bashawaty, also at Precinct 3, of the administration of Gov. Jennifer Granholm and the downturn in the state's economy. Granholm, who is finishing eight years in office, is termlimited.

"We need someone in there who knows how to draw business," Bashawaty added.

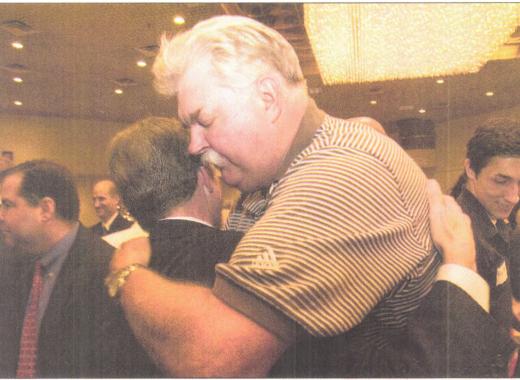
Baginski, who designs engines at Ford Motor Co., said Michigan should work to attract more defense-industry jobs, for which its manufacturing work force is wellsuited.

California and other Western states, he said, benefit from defense jobs. "It's big-time out there. I'd like to see more of that here," he said.

Bashawaty said the state needs to get back to "core values" and limited government. "Big government does not work," he said.

The economy and the job market were cited by a wide range of voters.

"Definitely jobs," said Alisa Burlage as she arrived to vote



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An unhappy State Senator Bruce Patterson hugs Mike Cox at Cox's gathering at Laurel Manor in Livonia.

for young people in the state.

"All my friends leave the

state. I would like to stay in

Michigan," she said. "There's

no reason we couldn't have

more of a Chicago-ish thing



Richard Wade rolls precinct 27's ballots into the Canton Township Clerk's office.

at the Plymouth Cultural Center, the city's only polling place, home to four precincts.

Burlage, a student at Wayne State University, said she wants to see more incentives



Becky Dominguez votes at precinct 4 at Miller Elementary with kids Caleb and Mia coming along for the ride. Dad Dan Dominguez is behind the partition next to Becky.

#### going on."

Burlage also said "we don't have too many good candidates" in the race for governor, who was campaigning at West (313) 222-2405



Lori Levi looks over positive numbers coming out of Canton precincts with consultant Jennifer Murray during Tuesday's Republican primary for the 21st House seat. Levi eked out a win over challenger Shannon Price.

and that she had been disappointed by Granholm, but wants to keep a Democratic governor.

That was important, too for Dave Stratton, who also voted at the Cultural Center and said he goes against the grain in Republican-leaning Plymouth.

"I don't understand that at all. They are not for the little guy," said Stratton, a retired substance-abuse counselor.

Retired teacher Garon Stephens, also voting at the Cultural Center, said the economy may not be as affected by state elections as by national elections, but that he's dismayed by the extreme partisanship he sees in Lansing.

"I think the wrangling by **Republicans and Democrats**" over state budget issues in recent years "was embarrassing," Stephens said.

He's also embarrassed, Stephens said, by the seeming collapse of the Detroit Public Schools and how poorly the district compares to those in the suburbs.

Abortion was the top issue for Mary Lockwood, a Right to Life of Michigan volunteer Middle School for Mike Cox, Michigan's attorney general, in the Republican race for governor.

"If we get the pro-life issue right, that kind of gives us a framework for every other issue," said a friend, Kathleen Crombie, who was handing voters fliers that noted Right to Life-endorsed candidates.

"It would just solve a lot of problems," Lockwood said. 'Most importantly, the human issue."

Many said they were motivated to vote by a sense of duty.

"You've got to look at it as a responsibility," said Carl Battishill, who voted at the Cultural Center.

"I had a very good history teacher in high school" who stressed the importance of voting, especially in local elections, said Mary Ann MacLaren, who voted at Precinct 6, at West. "Local elections are more important than national elections."

"That's what you do on election day," said Stephens. "Why would you not vote?"

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Troblowski captured four

bronze medals with thirds

in the 100- and 200 meter

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## Back home again

### Westland's Mike Modano agrees to terms with Red Wings

#### BY HELEN ST. JAMES GANNETT NEWS SERVICE

Mike Modano will be coming home after all.

According to the Detroit Free Press, the 40-year centerman from Westland and the NHL's all-time leading American scorer will join the Detroit Red Wings.

He will be introduced at a press conference on Friday afternoon at Joe Louis Arena. The former Dallas Stars captain, who wore No. 9 throughout his career, could be wearing No. 90, the report added.

The Wings had been in hot pursuit of Modano, flying him in from Dallas a month ago and wooing him over lunch and a Tigers game. He also had suitors in San Jose, Anaheim and Minnesota, but decided on Detroit.

The free agent, who has played all 20 years for the North Stars/Stars organization, has lived in Dallas since 1993.

Wings coach Mike Babcock lobbied

for Modano, and on Tuesday, Wings General Manager Ken Holland said he was "cautiously optimistic" about making the deal.

"When Mike was in Detroit a couple of weeks ago and spent time here, and in all the conversations I've had since with him and his agent, Mike Liut, I think they understand all the positives to coming to Detroit," Holland told the Free Press.

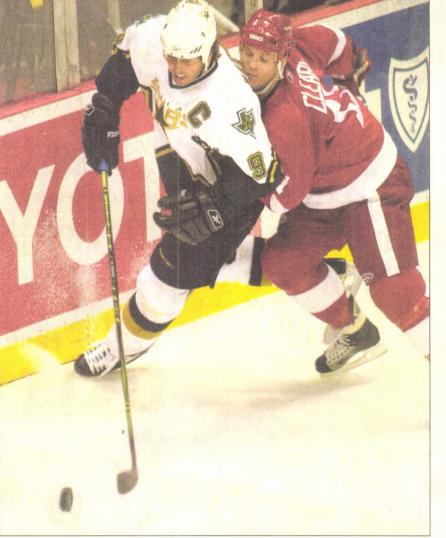
Modano, reportedly in Scotland on golfing trip, has been offered a oneyear contract for \$1.25 million to center the third line, instantly transforming the Wings into a team with three legitimate scoring lines.

He is expected to center a line that includes Dan Cleary and Jiri Hudler. Modano is also expected to add depth on the power play.

Modano made \$2.25 million last season for the Stars.

Modano's parents, Michael and Karen, still reside in Westland, but

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Mike Modano (left) could now be playing with Dan Cleary (right) of the Red Wings.

## Prinstein ponders end of playing career

#### **BY DAN O'MEARA** OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

While his playing career might be nearing an end, professional baseball will likely remain a part of Justin Prinstein's future.

The 26-year-old former Farmington Hills resident has achieved the goal he had when he went to play in Europe, and that was to pitch at the highest level.

Prinstein has played four seasons for



not included. There will be a Senior Division (50-and-over) with a maximum handicap of 20 (U.S.G.A. index required to participate). A total of \$2,500 in prizes, including money for the low

including money for the low and net scorers for each flight, will be offered.

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the Almere Magpies in Holland, helping them win the Dutch First Division championship last year.

The Magpies were promoted this year to the Dutch Major League, considered the premier league in Europe, but it's been a rough go for Almere.

The team was mired in last place when Prinstein and the Magpies agreed to part ways over money matters during the July break.

That didn't leave the North Farmington High School graduate idle, however. He was off to scout the under-16 European Championships for the Houston Astros in the Netherlands. "Recently, I had quite a few good starts in Europe's highest competition,

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Justin Prinstein has since left Almere and signed a 10-day contract with the HSV Stealers in Hamburg. They play in the German Baseball Bundesliga, the top baseball league in Germany.

## Ford Field mound issueWestern tankers makescratches Frontier twinbilla splash at MICSA meet

#### BY BRAD EMONS OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Despite an hour rain delay on Saturday, everything seemed to be in order as the Oakland County Cruisers were set to take on the Washington (Pa.) Wild Things in a Frontier League baseball double-header at Livonia's Ford Field.

But Cruisers starter Joe Rodriguez alerted umpires that something was terribly awry after just making three pitches.

"The mound was unplayable," Rodriguez said. "The surface was sloppy and every time I tried to dig in the dirt, it would come out and there was a huge hole. It was not pitchable. I guess this field was not meant to be."

Cruisers manager Gera Alvarez then visited the trouble spot and confirmed what the pitcher from Indiana State already knew.

"We play on all clay or turf mounds," Alvarez said. "After one pitch you could see something was wrong and by the third (pitch) you could see he (Rodriguez) couldn't do it. It was unplayable. It's part of the game. Today is disappointing, but some things you just can't control."

The Cruisers, who are awaiting construction on a new stadium for 2011 in Waterford, are currently in first place in the East Division of the Frontier League (41-24) despite playing 76 of their 96 regular season games away from home.

Saturday's twinbill was rescheduled for Sunday to the Cruisers' temporary home field – Eastern Michigan University's Oestrike Stadium – where the independent league team has played just nine games this summer. The final game of the series was played Monday at Oestrike as the Cruisers lost two-of-three to the Wild Things.

After Saturday's double-header was called and fans exited, three canopies, a concession trailer and the public address system were all quickly dismantled.

Ford Field is used primarily during the summer sandlot season by the Livonia Collegiate Baseball League as well as high school-age teams. The mound at Ford Field also appeared lower than normal.

In an e-mail sent Tuesday to *The Observer*, Assistant Superintendent of Livonia Parks and Recreation Lyle Trudell said he is aware of the "history of complaints of the Collegiate League." "I do know that we use a slag mate-

rial so that more games don't get rained

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#### BY JIM TOTH OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Western Golf & Country Club's youth swimming team is back among the upper echelon of teams in the Michigan Inter-Club Swimming Association.

Coach Bob Crosby's club will find itself competing against Blue Division opponents once again next season thanks to a solid showing at the recent MICSA Swimming Championships hosted by Western Golf & Country Club in Redford.

"We've been in this same mode now for about four years where we're either in the top seven or bottom seven teams," said Crosby, whose swimmers combined to capture seven first-place finishes and a host of other strong showings en route to scoring 474 points and a seventhplace team finish overall. "The top five teams are in a class by themselves and then it kind of thins our after that. But we had some real nice performances and it's good to be back in the top seven."

The 14-team event saw perennial-power Lochmoor Club easily outdistance the rest of the field by totaling 939.5 points. Great Oaks Country Club finished runner-up with 746 points and was followed by Birmingham Athletic Club (735), Detroit Golf Club (721.5), Grosse Pointe Yacht Club (712) and Red Run Golf Club (486.5).

"You never know year to year what your personnel will be like," said Crosby, who recently completed his 35th year at the helm of the swim program. "What we did this year exceeded my expectations.

"I thought we could go 6-0 in the White (lower) Division, but not win the meets by the margins we did," Crosby continued. "Next year we'll be back in the Blue (upper) Division and sometimes you get humbled when you go up against the big boys."

For now, however, the veteran coach will relish the efforts put forth by a host of Western swimmers, including Maddy Loniewski, Matthew Krakowiak, Mary Dombkowski and, none other than his grandson, Parker Wasielewski. All registered individual triumphs led by Loniewski and Krakowiak with two apiece.

Loniewski, competing in the girls 11-12 age division, raced to two meet records when she touched

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#### <sup>com.</sup> Hole-in-one club

Two local golfers recently registered a hole-in-one in play at Glenhurst Golf Course in Redford.

Gary Maki, 60, of Farmington, aced the 146yard 17th hole with an 8-iron. It was Maki's first hole-inone and he shot 42 for nine holes.

Philip DiPonio, 60, of Livonia, turned the same trick on the 158-yard 15th hole by using his trusty Warrior 6-iron. The feat marked the second time DiPonio has recorded an ace. He finished with a round of 90.

Kyle Kerkhof, 50, of Livonia, used a sand wedge to ace the 125-yard, No. 2 hole Saturday at Willow Creek Golf Course in Stockbridge. Kerkhof's team ended up 1-under in a 9-hole scramble.

#### Women's golf champs

The Michigan Women's Golf Association staged its twoday championship finals, July 24-25, at Eagle Crest Golf Club in Ypsilanti attracting a 36player field.

Low gross honors went to Joan Garety (Ada), first flight; Jean Murray (Mount Pleasant), second flight; and Joan Cleland (Bloomfield Hills), third flight.

Runners-up included Darci Stocker (Flint), first flight; Suzanne Madej (Detroit), second flight; and Lu Stockton (Canton), third flight.

Low net champions included Pam Tyler (Grand Rapids), first flight; Smita Bhatt (Orchard Lake), second flight; and Karen Stecher (West Bloomfield), third flight.

Among the runners-up were: Cindy Hill (Ypsilanti), first flight; Michelle Sroka (Livonia), second flight; and Barbara Coury (Plymouth), third flight.

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he knows it will be a big change in lifestyle to move. The fact the Red Wings are a veteran team also factored into his decision, he told SportsDayDFW.com last month.

"They are a group of 30year-olds and not 20-yearolds, and I think that makes a difference," he said on July 20. "I do think I could fit in there."

As a youth, Modano played in the Compuware and Little Caesars hockey organizations.

Modano attended Livonia Franklin High School before moving away to play for the Prince Albert Raiders



Mike Modano

#### (Alberta, Canada) in the Western Hockey League as a 16-year-old junior.

At age 18, he was the first pick overall in the 1988 NHL Entry Draft and went on to rack up 557 career goals and 802 assists (1,359 points) in 1,459 NHL games and 22 seasons.

The 6-foot-3, 212-pound Modano has appeared in 174 playoff games with 58 goals and 87 assists while appearing in two Stanley Cup finals (winning in 1999).

He also played for Team USA in three Winter Olympic Games (1998, 2002 and 2006). The City of Westland also

named its ice arena after Modano in July of 2003. In 2006, Modano was married to actress Willa Ford.

Livonia-Westland Sports Editor Brad Emons also contributed to this report.

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and that garnered offers from a few U.S. independent pro ball teams, some rival teams in the Dutch Major League and a team in the top league in Germany," Prinstein said. "I also have a number of coaching offers in Europe to compliment my scouting responsibilities, so I have a lot to consider for 2011.'

Prinstein plans to either accept a 14-day contract with the playoff-hopeful German team or return to Michigan and begin his second year of law school at the University of Detroit Mercy.

After rolling over the First Division competition last year, Almere played the last-place team in the Major League with a chance to move up. The Magpies overcame a 2-1 deficit to win the five-game series.

"We did something no Dutch First Division team has done in almost 25 years, and that is promote to the highest league in Europe through beating a team," Prinstein said.

"It's tough to do and so infrequent because of the size of pitching staffs. Playing twice a week, we had two starters and two main relievers. (A Major League team) has three starters and five or six relievers."

Prinstein started Games 2 and 3, and he came back to pitch six innings of relief in



"We started the year surprising people, winning three of our first six games. But our Australian shortstop decided to leave the team (also for contractual reasons). Since then it's been a downward spiral."

With a lineup that produced just four or five hits per game, it's been the exact opposite of last season, Prinstein added.

He had a pretty good season and pitched better than his 1-7 record, he said. In 43.1 innings as a starter,

he allowed 42 hits and 17 earned runs for a 3.53 ERA. He had 27 strikeouts and 19 walks. The problem was a lack of hitting support — four runs on 18 hits.

"Even if my ERA was 1.00, I still would have lost six of the seven games I did," he said.

Prinstein's home-away stats were a contrast. In five starts each, he had a 3.25 ERA on the road with two losses and three no decisions. At home, he was 0-5 with a 6.86 ERA. There were two reasons for that, according to Prinstein.

Justin Prinstein of Farmington Hills indicates the Magpies are No. 1 after winning the **Dutch First Division** last vear.

and it was tough to keep my stride short.

'The other factor was facing one of the best teams in Europe, DOOR Neptunus, twice. Seven of their starting nine are on the Dutch national team."

Prinstein said it was difficult to leave the Magpies, but he didn't have much choice when the club was unable to meet its obligations. Poor decisions in the past and tough economic times worldwide put the club in a bad position, he said.

"Holland feels the effect, and companies cut expenditures that are essential such as sponsoring a baseball team in a soccer-crazed country," he said.

After achieving his goal to pitch at the highest level in Europe, Prinstein said he's ready for a change, but he hasn't ruled out playing again next year.

"After the high of winning a championship last year, I thought (this year) would be a good conclusion to my career," he said. "After four continuous years on the road in four different countries, I'm ready to start after he fouled off six pitches. a new chapter and phase in my life with a bit more stability."

## **Coach's Corner is Johnstown-bound**

#### BY BRAD EMONS **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Mission accomplished Monday for Coach's Corner/ Canton Sports. The Livonia Collegiate Baseball League representative, heavy-laden with Madonna University players, earned a spot in the 16-team All-American Amateur Baseball Association Tournament next week in Johnstown, Pa. with a convincing 15-0 win over Youngstown (Ohio) in the AAABA regional held at Gant Stadium in Zanesville, Ohio.

Coach's Corner advanced to the finals of the 20-andunder AAABA regional with a 7-5 victory Saturday over Youngstown followed by a nailbiting 6-5 triumph Sunday over Lansing.

"I'm very pleased," Coach's Corner manager Mike George said. "We played with intensity and focus. We played with a purpose.

"We were eight-for-eight on sacrifice bunts and five-for-five on squeeze bunts. We had some hit-and-runs and we got a lot of huge hits with two outs. It's fun to coach these guys. We've pitched well all year, but it was nice to get some runs on the board."

Coach's Corner unloaded for 17 hits in the seveninning mercy rule win over Youngstown. They scored three times in the first inning and sent 12 batters to the plate during an eight-run second, which including eight hits, including four doubles.

Madonna's Brad Lineberry (Plymouth High) went 3for-4 with four RBI and two runs scored. Garrett Gumm (Livonia Franklin) and Drew Adamiec (MU) each went 3for-4 with three and two RBI, respectively.

D.J. Jaglois also added two hits, scored twice and had an RBI.

Winning pitcher Robert Fraser improved to 7-2 as he allowed just three hits and three walks in six innings. He struck out four before Cliff Buttermore finished up.

On Sunday, MU's Dan Stoney (Canton) went 3-for-4 with three RBI and MU's Steve Pelletier (Farmington Harrison) went 2-for-5 with two RBI as Coach's Corner overcame an early 5-2 deficit in the victory over Lansing.

Winning pitcher Tom Hansen (MU) gave up five runs over the first two innings, but settled down to pitch a four-hitter. In eight innings, Hansen (8-1) allowed just four

hits, walked four and struck out four.

Reliever Josh Wedesky got the save as he retired three batters in order to end the game after Hansen gave up a walk to start the ninth.

Wedesky also got the save in the 7-5 win Saturday over Youngstown as he posted a strikeout to end the game with the bases loaded.

Winning pitcher Jeremy Gooding (7-3) went the first seven innings, scattering eight hits and a walk. He struck out four before being lifted for Saginaw Valley State's Erik Wright (Canton) in the eighth.

Spencer Sarel (MU) led Coach's 12-hit attack going 4-for-5 with four RBI. Stoney added two hits and scored twice.

Coach's Corner overcame six errors to earn the openinground win.

"It wasn't pretty," George said.

Coach's Corner will take a 31-7 overall summer record into Johnstown.

'We had to win our last five (Collegiate League) games just to get into tourney," George said. "I've been selling Johnstown all season long and now we've got a sniff of it.'

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### Rams' diamond season ends in Musial tourney

**The Michigan Rams** failed to get out of their pool Saturday in the unlimited-age American Amateur Baseball Congress Stan Musial Division double. state tournament in Battle Creek.

The Rams completed their season at 28-9-1 overall after splitting a pair of games at C.O. Browne Stadium in Battle Creek.

The Michigan Braves of Saginaw overcame a 1-0 deficit in the bottom of the sixth inning by scoring four runs with two outs to earn a 4-1 triumph.

Rams pitcher Tom Pierse, who took the loss, carried a no-hitter into the sixth while throwing just 62 pitches. He retired the first two batters,

After a single to broke up the no-hit bid, Pierse walked the next two batters and Mike Allen cleared the bases with a

Pierse allowed four runs on two hits. He walked five and struck out three.

Jeff Kinley was the winning pitcher in relief of starter Taylor Schriber, who went the first five innings allowing one run on four hits and a walk. Schriber hit two batters.

Kinley, meanwhile, went the final two innings allowing one runs on two hits and a hit batsman.

Catcher Josh Schafer, a tournament pick-up from fellow Livonia Collegiate League member the Blue Knights, went 3-for-3 and scored the

The Rams rebounded to take Game Two, 5-1, over the Lansing Outlaws as starting pitcher Brady Cooper (Blue Knights) went three innings to pick up the win. He allowed one run on one hit while fanning five.

Tyler Higgins worked two innings in relief, while Neil Zalud and Joe Posler each pitched one frame.

Cam Walker knocked in two runs for the Rams, who collected a total of seven hits. Aaron Cieslak and Sam Ott each added an RBI.

Jeremy Stevenson and Ronnie Niesel each collected two hits for the Outlaw, who finished 0-2 in the pool.

Losing pitcher Jesse Gallimore gave up all five runs on seven hits and three walks in five innings of work.

Game 5 and get the decisive victory.

"It was probably the highlight of my baseball career," he said. "With that win, we earned a promotion to the highest league in Europe, but it has been a struggle this year.

"We lost three of our four top hitters from last year to other clubs, and our offense/defense has really suffered. The chemistry that took us to the top last year is totally gone.

"First, we have a great stadium and ballpark on the whole, but the mound is in terrible shape," he said. "I'm a shorter pitcher compared to most and, when I stride, I try to keep the length short. That allows me to stay on top of the ball and get good sink.

"When my stride gets too long, my elbow drops and my pitches tend to flatten out and become more hittable. The mound had a steep drop off,

That he continues to develop as a pitcher will make it difficult to guit playing, however.

"A number of teams in different countries have approached me about playing next year," Prinstein said. "It's going to be real tough to turn down offers to come back if the situation is right."

but walked the third batter

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out," Trudell added. "Clay requires a lot more maintenance and is almost impossible to get ready for games when it rains as it is extremely slippery. This has proven itself as many schools have called us in the spring to use Ford Field because their fields were unplayable.

"We play up to 18 games a

#### lone run for the Rams on an **RBI** by Brett Mazmanian.

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the Boys 9-10 100-Meter

Freestyle (1:11.23) and Boys 9-

10 50-Meter Freestyle (31.82).

"Matt really came out of

nowhere this year and got

serious about his swim-

ming," Crosby said. "And

Maddy swims with the Novi

Sturgeons in the off-season

and that had really helped her

three-game series Sept. 1

we have."

scratched.

and must do the best with what

composite (of the mound) can't handle the stress of our pitchers using the mound. There was a hole down there all the way to a rubber base.

Trudell then added: "As far as the mat we use on the mound under the slag – this was actually requested by the Collegiate managers a few years ago and keeps the pitchers from digging large holes in the pitchers' landing zone when they pitch."

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become a better swimmer."

Dombkowski, who has been a welcomed addition to the squad in 2010, easily outdistanced the field in capturing the top spot in the Women's 15-17 100-Meter IM. Her 1:07.94 clocking in the finals was nearly two seconds faster than the runner-up in the event.

Wasielewski earned top honors in the Boys 9-10 50-Meter Backstroke with a ster-

Western also managed Dombkowski combined on a

"They just turned in a phenomenal race," Crosby said of the 200 free foursome. "They just touched ahead of the second-place team and really made it exciting.

"When you have the kind of kids we had this year and add the kids we did then it makes you a stronger team," Crosby went on. "I really do enjoy the sport and enjoy coaching swimming. Everybody here at Western has been very good to me and my family and coaching swimming is just the way I enjoy spending my summers."



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ahead of the pack in the 50meter breaststroke (34.28) and 100-meter IM (1:08.23). Krakowiak, meanwhile, proved superior in both .

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#### LOCAL SPORTS



Members of the Livonia Storm-Gerou, the USSSA 14U World Series girls fastpitch runner-up squad, include (from row, from left): Elaine Gerou, Delainey O'Donnell, Celeste Fidge, Aubrie Cragg, Jacquelyn Murphy, Jessica Brandon, Kailtyn McIntosh; (back row, form left) head coach Mike Gerou, assistant coach Kevin Bias, Catherine Porter, Hanna Warren, Shannon Watson, Casey Bias, assistant coaches Bob Warren and Jay McIntosh.

## Storm-Gerou runner-up **USSSA 14-U World Series**

#### **BY BRAD EMONS OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

The 14-and-under Livonia Storm-Gerou girls fastpitch softball can hold their heads high after a runner-up finish in last week's USSSA Class B World Series in Orlando, Fla.

Playing their fourth game of day on Saturday, Storm-Gerou reached the finals of the 45team tournament before falling to the Carolina (N.C.) Fusion, 2-1, at ESPN's Wide World of Sports complex.

The championship game wasn't decided until the eighth inning under international tiebreaker rule. Storm-Gerou carried a 1-0 advantage into the top of the seventh before the Fusion rallied for the victory with a run followed by the game-winner in the eighth.

Third baseman Celeste Fidge and shortstop Jessica Brandon each collected two hits in the loss, while Elaine Gerou pitched all eight innings without giving up an extra base hit.

After capturing their first

Gerou went 1-1 on Friday beating Rhode Island 14-U Lightning South, 2-1, before suffering its first loss of the tourney against the eventual champion Fusion, 7-3.

Storm-Gerou then fought back with victories Saturday over Alabama Elite, 4-3; Orlando (Fla.) Aftershock, 6-1, and the Lakeshore Storm (Holland, Mich.), 4-3.

Hanna Warren scattered six hits and Gerou picked up the save in the win over Lakeshore after Jacquelyn Murphy held the Aftershock in check with a completegame two-hitter.

**Outfielder Catherine Porter** and first baseman Shannon Watson each collected two hits, while Gerou got the victory with relief help from Warren against Alabama Elite.

"We consumed 150 bottles of water, 144 bottles of Gatorade and used 100 pounds of ice on Saturday alone to help stave off the extreme heat and dehydration as the heat index exceeded

five games (July 25-29), Storm- 100 degrees every day and 110 one day," said Livonia Storm manager Mike Gerou, whose team finished 53-11-1 overall.

> **Catcher Casey Bias caught** 10-of-11 tournament games, while Gerou was named Offensive Tournament MVP and went 6-1 on the mound.

Other Storm-Gerou team members included second baseman-outfielder Kaitlyn McIntosh, third baseman-outfielder Delainey O'Donnell and outfielder Aubrie Cragg.

"The success formula included having 11 players who really like each other, who are talented, work very hard and put the team before themselves," the Storm manager added. "Having three legitimate No. 1 pitchers and a starting pitching rotation that we didn't deviate from all season was also a major factor. All of our pitchers started and stepped up in impressive fashion up to relieve when needed all season."

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### Bakun sizzles at City Golf Challenge

**BY BRAD EMONS OBSERVER STAFF WRITER** 

Talk about bringing his game to a sizzle on the grill.

Livonian Mike Bakun brought it home Saturday and Sunday with a two-day total of 71-69-140 en route to individual medalist honors at the 53rd annual City Golf Championships & Challenge held at Fellows Creek Golf Course in Canton.

Bakun, who shot 4-under for 36 holes, is a graduate of Franklin High School and the University of Michigan where he holds a degree in Aviation Engineering. Bakun is ready to embark on a 12-year enlistment in the U.S. Air Force.

The winning team was Westland with a five-player total of 769 followed by Canton (821), Livonia (870) and Wayne (883).

Leading the way for Westland was Brian Gabbeart, 75-69-144; Kevin Ryan, 79-68-147; Mike Tolson, 79-78-157; Claud Johnston, 72-79-151; and Murray Brooks, 84-86-170. Sandy Felan shot 86-88-

174 to repeat as Women's Championship Flight champion, three strokes better than Kathy Stellema. Chris Kiehler was the Open

Division champ with a 74-69-143, while Virginia Sexton captured the Women's Senior Flight.

Other City medalists included Zach McCurley (Canton), championship flight, 74-75; Ken Eck (Canton), 90-89, first flight; Gabbeart (Westland), championship flight; Johnston



Sandy Felan (right) and Kathy Stellema (left) finished one-two in the women's division at the City Golf Championships & Challenge.

2. Kevin Ryan, 79-68-147; 3. Mike Tolson, 79-78-157.

Canton: 1. Zach McCurley, 74-75-149; 2. Tim McCurley, 76-82-158; Karl Janka, 82-82-

Livonia: 1. Mike Bakun, 69-71-140; 2. Tyler Bledsoe, 84-87-171; 3. Matt Kowalis, 89-91-180. Wayne: 1. Ted Salvadori, 78-81-159; 2. Bill

Hawley, 84-80-164. Open men: 1. Chris Kiehler, 74-69-143; . Rosco Sloan, 76-79-155; 3. John Sobczak, 92-91-193

Open women: 1. Sandy Felan, 86-88-174; 2. Kathy Stellema, 92-85-177. FIRST FLIGHTS Canton: 1. Ken Eck, 90-89-179; 2. A.P.

Canton: 1. Ken Eck, 90-89-119; 2. A.P. Singh, 90-96-186. SENIOR FLIGHTS Men: 1. Claud Johnston, 72-79-151; 2. Murray Brooks, 84-86-170; 3. Gary Dristy, 81-90-171.

81-90-1/1. Women: 1. Virginia Sexton; 2. Darlene Hawley, 3. Linda Granfeldt. TEAM COMPETITION Westland (769): Brian Gabbeart, 144; Kevin Ryan, 147; Claud Johnston, 151; Mike Tolson, 157; Murray Brooks, 170. Canton (821): Zach McCurley, 149; Tim McCurley, 158; Karl, Janka, 164; Carp, Drisby

McCurley, 158; Karl Janka, 164; Gary Dristy, 171: Ken Eck. 179

Livonia (870): Mike Bakun, 140; Tyler Bledsoe, 171; Matt Kowalis, 180: John Jordan, 181; Mike Mato, 198.

Wayne (883): Ted Salvadori, 159; Bill Hawley, 164; Sandy Felan, 174; Kathy Stellema, 177; Darlene Hawley, 209.

### U-M gridiron standout Wolter leaves legacy

Franklin grad Mike Bakun shot a

69-71-140 total to earn individual

medalist honors at the City Golf

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Ted Salvadori (Wayne), 78-81-

159, championship flight; and

Bakun (Livonia), championship

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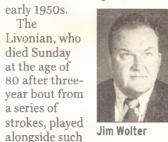
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#### BY BRAD EMONS **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Jim Wolter got the nickname "Moose" as a kid and it remained his moniker throughout his days as a standout guard on the formidable University of Michigan football teams of the late 1940s and

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that's why it (Moose) stuck," said son Brad Wolter, who graduated from Stevenson High. "He was a fullback in high school (at Ypsilanti), but when he got to Michigan they needed guards and he could run. Back then they weren't that big."

Wolter's crowning achievement as a U-M football player came in the 1951 Rose Bowl when the Wolverines defeated California, 14-6.

ably most proud about was the fact that he got two degrees - a B.A. and M.B.A. - from Michigan," Brad Wolter said. "He was a good family man. It was family and God first, but sports and school were right there, too. He was there. He encouraged us in sports."

Jim Wolter was the beloved husband of the late Sandra Lynn and is survived by his four children - James Brad (Shona) Frik Mark

(Eileen) and Lynn (Richard)

Renberg. He also leaves nine

grandchildren, along with a

Brockman).

Livonia

brother (Fred) and sister (Fran

Visitation will be from 2-9

p.m. Thursday, Aug. 5 at Harry

J. Will Funeral Home, 37000

Funeral services will be at

11 a.m. Friday, Aug. 6 at the

funeral home. Interment is at

Glen Eden Memorial Park in

Six Mile Road, Livonia.

#### YOUTH BASEBALL TRYOUTS

#### Chiefs baseball tryouts

Tryouts for the 2011 Motor City Chiefs under-9 baseball club will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 17, and 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 21 at UAW Local 735 Field, 48055 Michigan Avenue, Canton.

If unable to attend either tryout date, an evaluation can occur before Aug. 17.

For more information, call (734) 377-3123, or e-mail motorcitybaseball@gmail. com.

#### Pirates baseball tryouts

Tryouts for the Motor City Pirates, a 14-and-under independent travel baseball team in the Kensington Valley **Baseball-Softball Association**, will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 7 at Massey Field, located at Plymouth and Haggerty roads, in Plymouth.

For more information, email coach Angelo Lanava at alanava@wowway.com.

#### **Bulldogs** tryouts

The Michigan Bulldogs Baseball Club, based in Livonia, has announced its tryout dates for the 2011 season including:

10-and-under - Sunday, Aug. 8 at Bicentennial Park (contact coach Lee Richards at leerichards12@yahoo.com; 11-and-under - Sunday, Aug. 8 at Bicentennial Park (contact coach Randy Weekley at weekley5@hotmail.com; 13and-under - Sunday, Aug. 8 at Bicentennial Park (contact coach Scott Linser at coachscott@michiganbulldogs. com).

#### **Riversharks tryouts**

The Motor City Riversharks of the Kensington Valley **Baseball-Softball Association** will host 2011 tryouts from noon-1:30 p.m., Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 14-15, and 2-4 p.m. Friday, Aug. 20, at UAW Local 735, 48055 Michigan Avenue, Canton.

Players do not have to attend all three tryout dates.

Players must be willing to commit to 40-to-50 games including weekends and tournaments, with the schedule running from April through July.

To pre-register or for more information, contact coach Bill Boyd - 734-718-7782; motorcityriversharks@gmail. com.

Livonia Travel baseball

Tryouts for the 1011 Livonia Travel baseball program will be Aug. 12-15, at Bicentennial Park, located at Seven Mile and Wayne roads.

The Tryout schedule includes:

Under-9 – 3-5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 14 (contact manager Matt Fournier at mattfournier22@sbcglobal. net; or mfournie@livonia. k12.mi.us:

Under-10 – 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Borsa places ninth Aug. 15 (contact Bruce Rosen for manager opportunities at mblr1218@aol.com);

Under-11 - 9-11 a.m., Sunday, Aug. 15 (contact Bruce Rosen for manager opportunities at mblr1218@ aol.com);

Under-12 – 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 12 and 9-11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 14 (makeup date; contact manager Brian Dewhirst at wd219@ aol.com);

Under-13 – 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 14 and Sunday Aug. 15 (make up date; contact manager Bruce Rosen at mblr1218@aol.com).

For additional information, visit www.livoniabsa.com.

U-M stalwarts as Don Dufek and Len Ford.

Wolter was a three-year starter at guard and was a freshman member of the 1948 Wolverine national championship team. He also helped U-M to a pair of Big Ten Conference crowns (1949 and 1950).

"My dad was big as a kid and

Philip Borsa, of Redford,

Co-Angler Division on the St.

earned a ninth-place finish

Saturday in the FLW Bass

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Clair River.

#### "Back then a lot guys played both ways," Brad Wolter recalled. "Ty Cobb came up to

him after the game and was so impressed at how well he played that he asked for dad's autograph. My dad sent him one and was probably the highlight of his playing career."

Wolter eventually moved his family to Livonia in 1968 and took root where he worked primarily for over 30 years as a chief appraiser for First Federal Bank.

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Borsa's five-bass limit checked in at 15 pounds, 8 ounces.

The winning take of 18 pounds, 12 ounces was shared by Jay Ahonen of Ortonville and Adrian Avena of Vineland, N.J.

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

Attorney J.B. Bieske has represented only Social Security Disability clients for over 20 years. That is the only type of law he practices. And, he personally meets with all clients and appears himself at all court hearings. Many large firms assign clients to young associate attorneys with much less experience.



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

Bieske's office staff consists of paralegals and secretaries who are also highly experienced in assisting him with Social Security Disability cases. And they are extremely helpful in answering questions with regard to the status of clients' cases and administrative procedure.

Attorney Bieske welcomes you to call him to determine if you may be

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

In a recent radio interview attorney Bieske explained that many people are not even aware that they are eligible for Social Security Disability benefits. These are not the same as Workers' Compensation benefits. It is possible to receive both benefits at the same time. If you have an illness or injury (whether or not related to your work), are under 65 and unable to work full-time you may be eligible. Social Security Disability benefits are based on your work record or your deceased spouse's work record (Widow's/Widower's benefits).

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#### BY SHARON DARGAY O&E STAFF WRITER

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If you love bagpipe and drum music, you won't want to miss the opening ceremony at the St. Andrew Society of Detroit's 161st annual Highland Games Saturday, Aug. 7 at historic Greenmead in Livonia.

"The massed band parade around noon is the highlight," said Dave Martin, pipe major for the St. Andrew's Pipe Band and chair of the pipe competition at the Games. "I'm going to have about 16 pipe bands lined up in single lines with the pipe major in front. We'll have 16 columns coming down the field, marching toward the guests."

Visitors will find other entertainment — from Celtic rock bands to Highland dancers to pole-tossing athletes — at the Games, but pipes and drums, which will be heard in performances and competition, are the "epitome of Scottish culture" according to Martin, a Livonia resident.

"Piping and drumming is in-yourface Scotland. I don't know if there's another country in the world so represented by their music."

Although bagpipes are found throughout the world, the instrument varies slightly in terms of style and number of notes, from culture to culture. The Great Highland bagpipe has a one-octave range with no flats or sharps. Beginners learn to master the finger movements and notes on a practice chanter — a pipe without the bag — before progressing to the full instrument. The musician learns to breathe at a normal pace, blowing into the pipe, which in turn allows air to flow into the bag. The bag acts as an air reservoir, permitting the musician to play long or continuous notes without compromising breathing. The bagpipe player uses an arm like a "tension spring" to squeeze air out of



The massed bands during the opening ceremony are a highlight of the annual Highland Games in Livonia.

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Martin began learning to play bagpipes in 1954, two years after the St. Andrew's Pipe Band was founded. He was "about six or seven" when he began hearing bagpipe music coming from the basement of a neighbor's house. He'd sit outside on the front porch and listen, captivated by the sound. A few years later when he learned about a youth bagpipe class being taught in Detroit he "pestered" his mother to take him there. "I was not a member of the St. Andrew's Society and I wasn't even Scottish," he recalled. "I didn't care." He took lessons at St. Andrew's Society of Detroit, practicing on a chanter for three years before playing a full bagpipe and working his way into the band. He has taught bagpipes for many years and has seen more than a few students win pipe competitions. One of his students, Jacob Mack of Dearborn, has been named "Piper of the Day" at the

of the games, but it will perform during opening ceremonies and closing parade. It's mostly a concert band rather than a parade band. It plays for major St. Andrew's Society events, accompanies Scottish dancers and performs at church services. One thing people can do at the Highland Games is get an appreciation of what the bagpipe is supposed to sound like," Martin said. "What really gets a piper like me is to hear someone say, 'Oh, I heard a great bag piper,' and it turns out to be someone who just learned two weeks ago, all squawking and squeaking. At the Games, people are fairly proficient ... they play the bag pipe the way it's supposed to be played."

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What: St. Andrew's Society of Detroit presents two days of Scottish music, dance and food, along with a day of athletic competition

When: The Ceilidh, a kick-off party, runs from 5 p.m.-11 p.m., Friday, Aug. 6 and Highland Games are 8:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 7 Where: Greenmead Historical Park, corner of Newburgh and Eight Mile in Livonia Cost: Ceilidh tickets are \$15 each and are sold in advance only. Children 5 and under are admitted free. The event is designed

for adults. Highland Game tickets are \$10 in advance or \$15 at the gate. Patron tickets range from \$10-\$50 and include admission to the Patron's Tent, where food and beverages will be served, and reserved parking. Buy tickets in advance at www.highlandgames. com. Visitors buying \$10 advance tickets must pick them up at the will call table at Schoolcraft College, located on Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile Parking: On-site public parking is available for a \$5 fee. Free parking with continuous free shuttle service is available at Schoolcraft

College Activities: Entertainment by the Blaggards, The Kreelers, Glengarry Bhoys, Blaggards, Carl Peterson and the McCarville Brothers; dancers; pipe and drum performance and competition; living history troupe; genealogy tent; children's activity area with crafts, live animals, parade, cricket and "wee" caber toss; Border Collie demonstration; tug-o-war; and athletic competition including caber toss, hammer throw, stone put and weight throw Contact: (248) 526-1849; www. highlandgames.com

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"He's a tremendous player, a very proficient young man. The pressure is on this year."

The Games will include solo competition for young players in both bagpipe and drums and full band competitions. Martin said the Games draw bands from throughout the Midwest.

The St. Andrew's Pipe Band won't compete because it's the "host band"

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#### ART

Art & Ideas Time/Date: Aug. 7-Sept. 18; opening reception 7-11 p.m., Aug.

Location: 15095 Northville Road, south of Five Mile, Plymouth Details: "Social Realism" photography by Thomas McMillen-Oakley, Shaqe Kalaj, and Julia DeClerck

Contact: (734) 420-0775

Northville Art House Time/Date: Aug. 6-28; artist reception, 6-9 p.m., Aug. 6 Location: 215 W. Cady, Northville Details: "Conversations in Cloth," exhibit showcasing the work of fiber artists Contact: (248) 344-0497

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Location: Reno Hall's Studio 164 on the University of Detroit Mercy's McNichols Campus, 4001 W McNichols, Detroit Details: Non-equity auditions for "Proof." To audition, provide a recent headshot, resume, one modern monologue and be prepared for cold readings. Participants must register through the UDM Theatre Company's Facebook. Search for "Proof Auditions" at www.facebook.com/udmtheatre Contact: Greg Grobis at grobisgj@udmercy.edu or at (313) 993-3273

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#### ENTERTAINMENT

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## See and hear vintage aircraft, aerobatic moves at Willow Run

The largest gathering of B-17 aircraft will be on display and in the air at the Yankee Air force Museum's annual Thunder Over Michigan air show, Friday-Sunday, Aug. 6-8, at Willow Run Airport in Ypsilanti.

About eight or nine of the 12 remaining B-17s in flying shape in the U.S. will be at the event, performing demonstrations that will culminate in a special salute to the legendary crewman who flew and maintained the B-17 during the war.

"Gathering of Fortresses & Legends," one of several highlights of this year's show, will include a reunion of WWII Bomber Command men, in addition to the bomber display. Guests will get a chance to meet the legendary WWII veterans who flew and maintained the famous B-17s and B-24s.

Air shows on Saturday and Sunday will include the U.S. Navy's F/A-18C Hornet Single-Ship Tactical Demonstration team and the U.S. Air Force's F-16C "Viper" Single-Ship Tactical Demonstration team. Both teams will put their jets through "hard core" demos reaching speeds topping 700 mph — just under the speed of sound. The pilots will pull in excess of 8 G's in their maneuvers and will show the tactical capabilities of these modern fighter jets. These single-ship demos will show them flying as low as 500 feet and climbing straight up to altitudes of over 15,000 feet.

The world's only P-51 Mustang formation aerobatic flight team, The ASB.TV Horsemen, will perform aerobatic maneuvers.

Sponsored by ASB.TV, a social networking Web site for aviation enthusiasts that features videos, photos, news and forums, The Horsemen are a three-person team of highlyskilled warbird pilots - Jim Beasley, Dan Friedkin and Ed Shipley – who fly legendary P-51 Mustang airplanes in for-



The U.S. Air Force's F-16C 'Viper' Single-Ship Tactical Demonstration teams will perform at Thunder Over Michigan in Ypsilanti.

that made America great,"

Beasley said. "These planes are

them during World War II and

with the fans at Thunder Over

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we look forward to sharing

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World War II aircraft, like this B-17G Flying Fortress 'Liberty Belle' will be on display at Thunder Over Michigan.

mation while executing moves only three feet apart. The P-51 Mustang is a World War IIera fighter plane flown by the Allied forces in Europe and the Pacific.

"We feel privileged and honored to be able to fly the P-51 Mustangs because we have a passion for the planes advance at www.yankeeairmuseum.org/airshow.

Thunder Over Michigan kicks off with a free party sponsored by Budweiser, 5-9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 6. Beer and food will be available at the event.

The air show runs 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. There's also a dinner and WWll Symposium from 5-8 p.m. Saturday. A Budweiser after-party, with free admission, runs 5-9 p.m. Saturday.

Symposium tickets are \$65 per person and \$600 for a table of eight. Dinner is included. Advance air show tickets are \$25 per adult; children 15 years and younger are free. Parking is \$5 per vehicle. Tickets at the gate are \$30 per adult and parking is \$10. Tickets are available at yankeeairmuseum.org or charge by phone at (800) 585-3737. Show proceeds benefit the Yankee Air Museum.



The ASB.TV Horsemen will fly historic World War II fighter planes in formation while performing aerobatic maneuvers at Thunder Over Michigan air show at Willow Run Airport in Ypsilanti.





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## **Author empowers Catholic** parents to keep 'wolves' at bay

#### **BY SHARON DARGAY O&E STAFF WRITER**

Gary Michuta hopes his new book helps parents teach their children to recognize wolves.

"Who are the wolves? They can be self-help groups, economic, political groups, not just religious groups. They use forms of deception, half truths - they might even lie to your face and you don't hear the whole story. It's people who use deceptive means to pull you out of your religion."

Through How to Wolf-Proof Your Kids the Livonia resident aims to protect children and teens who are susceptible to recruiters from religious cults, sects and other groups.

"What I do is give parents the ability to raise kids and teach kids so it's a lot harder for people to manipulate them," said Michuta, 46, the father of three children, ages 10, 12 and 14. "There are a lot of personal experiences in the book. Over the years I thought what would be important would be to head them off at the pass and instill skill sets that at the front end would make it harder for people to recruit them."

Although the book is aimed at Catholic parents – Michuta is a member of St. Michael the Archangel in Livonia — its advice transcends denominational boundaries. Michuta suggests that parents train their youngsters to use critical thinking skills to evaluate the messages they hear from movies, music, television, the Internet or other individuals.

He recommends that parents become 'good friends' with their child's pals because youngsters may notice unusual behavior changes before anyone else does. Out-of-the-ordinary paraphernalia or strange Bible translations found in a child's room or backpack might be another red flag. Keeping 'close tabs' on a child's social network can help identify coercive relationships and recruiters. **Recognizing group jargon and learning** about the history of pressure groups and cults also increases awareness.

"The wolves count on you to receive information passively. They give you lots of information and deliberately overload you. Train them so that when they receive information they'll think it through."

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Michuta said recruiters often disguise a coercive relationship as a friendship. The new friendship then leads to a group meeting or Bible study invitation where the new recruit is pressured to accept the group's views. If they do, they are "love bombed," and given positive response. If not, they receive negative reinforcement until they provide the "correct" answers.

"Before you know it they're plugged into the group's social network.'

Michuta knows firsthand about being pressured to stray from the Church. He was just out of college when a friend tried to convert him away from his lifelong Catholic faith.

"I did something most friends didn't do. I looked into her claims and what I found was some really compelling answers to her objections. That got me on the road to apologetics."

Michuta has studied Catholic apologetics - the theology of rationally defending the faith and its doctrines - since 1992. He started his own ministry, founding the apologetics group, Thy Faith, wrote two other books - Why Catholic Bibles Are Bigger and The Gospel According to James McCarthy - and maintains a Web site, www.handsonapologetics.com. He has taught apologetics seminars, given parish talks and produced an apologetics magazine.

Through the years he also has

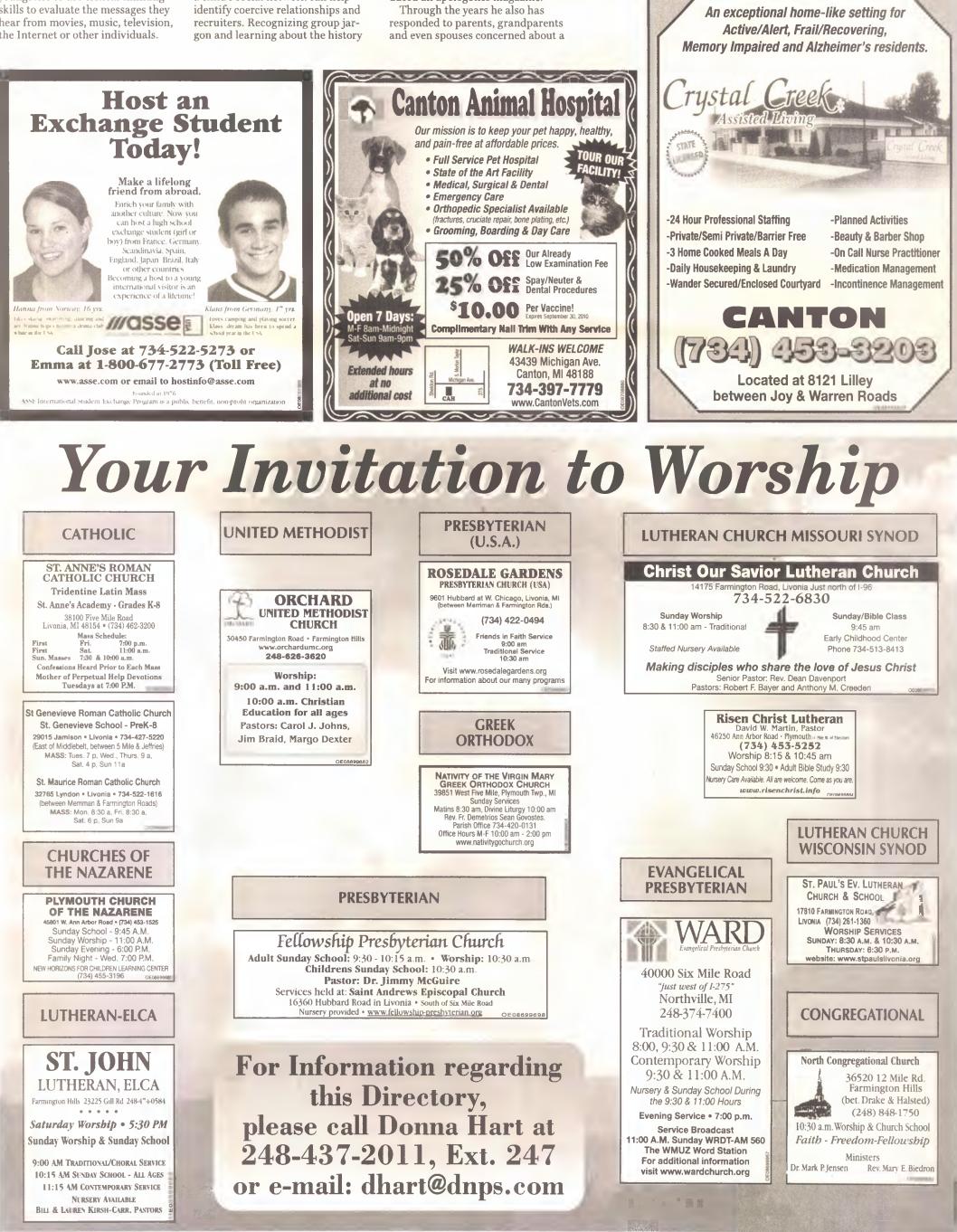


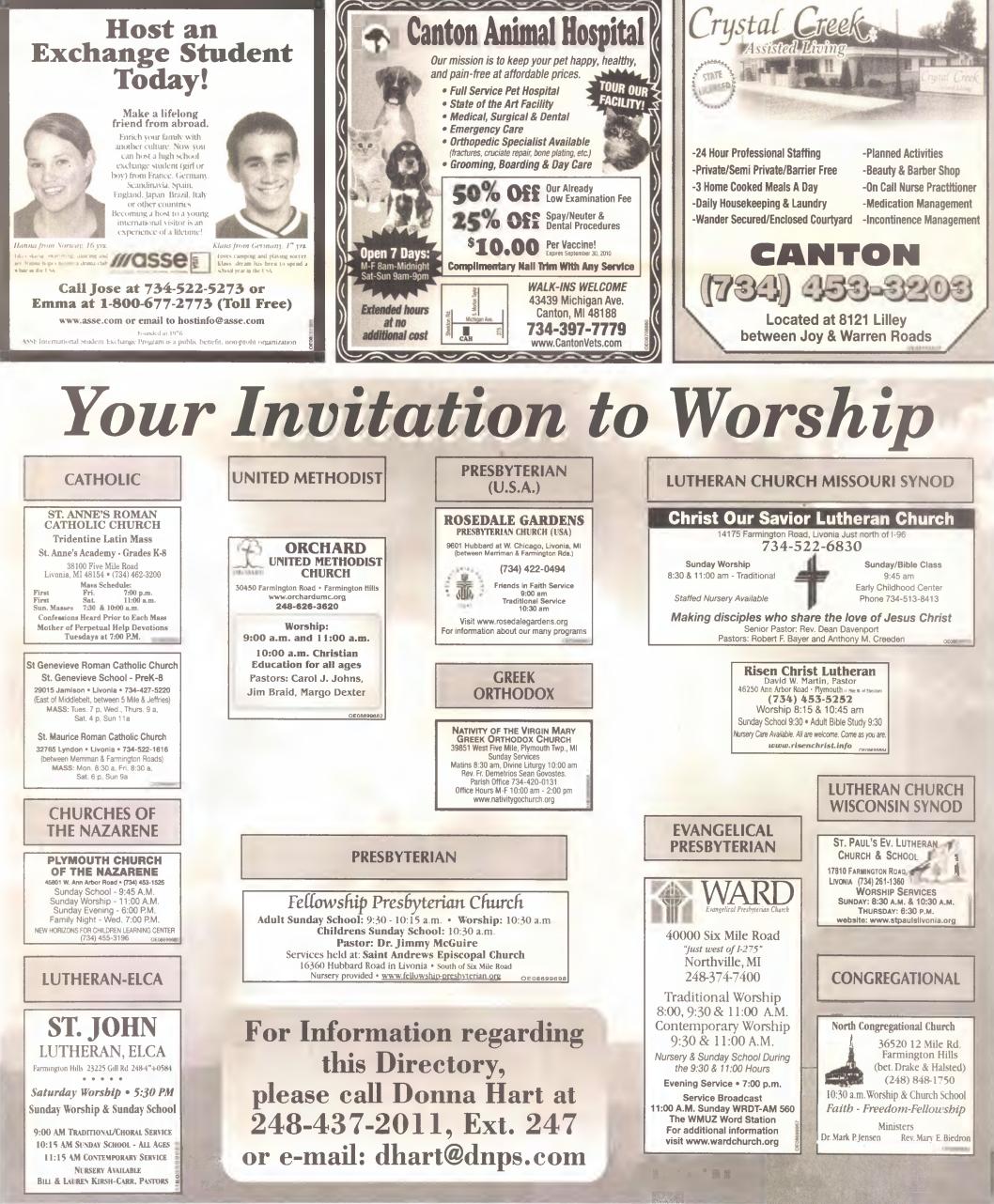
Gary Michuta of Livonia is author of 'How To Wolf-Proof Your Kids.'

loved one's relationship with a cult or pressure group.

"They ask me to come in and talk some sense into them."

Many of the scenarios in How to Wolf-Proof Your Kids are based on his experiences. The book is available at www.handonapologetics, through Michuta's publisher, Grotto Press at www.grottopress.org, on amazon. com and can be ordered through many Christian book stores. It costs \$12.







Religion calendar items appear on Thursdays on a space available basis. To submit an item, e-mail sdargay@ hometownlife.com or write: Religion Calendar, Observer Newspapers, 615 W. Lafayette-2nd Level, Detroit, MI 48226, Attn: Sharon Dargay. Item must include the venue address and phone number and any admission costs for events. Items must be submitted at least a week in advance of publication. Feel free to send a related photo in jpg form.

#### AUG. 5-11

#### Church tour

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 7 Location: St. Aidan Parish, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia Details: Fifth annual church tour will visit National Shrine of the Little Flower in Royal Oak and Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Detroit. Cost is \$15 per person and includes lunch at Pasquale's in Royal Oak. Contact: Debbie Dufour at (248) 719-2535 or David Conrad at (734) 425-5950, Ext. 203

#### **Vacation Bible School** Time/Date: 9:30 a.m.-noon, Aug.

9-13 Location: First Presbyterian Church of Farmington, northwest corner of Farmington Road and 11 Mile, Farmington Hills

Details: Presented by First Presbyterian. Antioch Lutheran and North Congregational for children entering kindergarten through 5th grade. Children will learn about Joseph's time in Egypt, from prison to palace

Contact: Register at www.farmington-pres.org or call (248) 474-6170 Worship time change

Time/Date: 2 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 8 Location: Nativity United Church of Christ, 9435 Henry Ruff, Livonia **Details**: The church is changing the time of its Sunday worship service and will celebrate Holy Communion

on the same day Coming up: The church will hold an outdoor service on Aug. 29, followed by a potluck. Participants should bring their own chairs Contact: (734) 421-5406

#### AUG. 12-18 **Bible text seminar**

Time/Date: 6:30-8:30 p.m., Aug. 13 and 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Aug. 14 Location: Berean Bible Church, 35375 Ann Arbor Trail in Livonia Details: Dr. Daniel B. Wallace will present "The Gospel According to Snoopy - an interactive seminar on the trustworthiness of the biblical text." The seminar will have something of a CSI quality to it, requiring participants to think carefully, as if they were detectives evaluating evidence Cost is \$25 per person and \$40 per couple

Contact: Scott at Berean48150@ sbcglobal.net

#### **Blood drive** Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Aug. 15 Location: St. Damian Community Room, 30055 Joy Road, Westland Details: The American Red Cross needs all blood types. A pint of blood can save up to three lives. Appointments are recommended

but walk-ins are welcome Contact: For more information or to make an appointment call Gary at (734) 716-2057

#### Mom to mom

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Aug. 14 Location: Prince of Peace (ELCA) Lutheran Church, 37775 Palmer, Westland

Details: The event includes a bake sale and trunk sale. Proceeds from the bake sale benefit local service projects. Participants may donate clothes to sell, or fill a bag the church provides with clothing, for \$2. It does not accept or sell dresses or high heel shoes. Trunk sale participants park their cars in the parktables and sell mom to mom items and other household wares. Prince of Peace members can rent one space for \$10; non-members rent for \$15. This includes one parking spot for a car and one spot for wares. Additional one-car spots are \$10 each for both members and nonmembers. Mom to mom sellers keep their profits. Prince of Peace uses all parking spot proceeds for its service work at organizations such as the local Salvation Army, Bolde Food and Clothing Center, Wayne County Family Center, and to fill Thanksgiving baskets and provide Christmas gifts to needy children in the Wayne-Westland school district **Contact**: Mary Rose Cartright at (734) 722-4363 to donate clothing and/or to reserve a trunk sale parking spot or for more information; or leave a message for her at the church at (734) 722-1735

ing lot, open their trunks, set out

#### Rummage and bake sale

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Aug. 13-14

Location: 30000 Five Mile, Livonia Details: Huge selection to choose from. Free admission. Includes lots of kids' stuff, holiday and household goods, books, records, games, outdoors, sporting goods, appliances, and more Contact: Beth Hare at ((734) 421-

7249

#### Vacation Bible School

, Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Aug. 16-19

Location: Salvation Army, 9451 S. Main Street, Plymouth

Vacation Bible School for ages 4-12. Program includes Bible study, games, snacks, songs and crafts; free admission. Registration begins Aug.

Hull at (734) 453-5464 or e-mail to

#### **RELIGION CALENDAR**

#### AUG. 19-25 **Family Fun Fair**

Time/Date: 5-10 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 19; 5-11 p.m., Friday, Aug. 20; noon to 11 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 21; and 1-9 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 22 Location: Our Lady of Loretto, Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford Details: 51st Annual Family Fun Fair with rides, games, Las Vegas-style games in the gym, bingo in the church basement, \$4,999 raffle, craft booths, bake walk, dollar menu food booths. Entertainment includes Terry Bar and the Full Tilt Boogie Band on Friday, Hard Cover and All Wheel Drive on Saturday and Terry Bar on Sunday Contact: (313) 534-9000 Summer-Fest Time/Date: Aug. 20-22

Location: Warren Road Church, 33445 Warren Road, Westland **Details:** Summer-Fest activities include basketball tournament, 3 p.m. Friday; battle of the bands, 6 p.m. Friday; craft show and sidewalk sale, 9 a.m., to 3 p.m., Saturday; Kidzone, 3-6 p.m. Saturday; dinner, 6-7 p.m.; concert, 7-10 p.m.; outdoor worship under a tent, 10:30 a.m., Sunday

Contact: (734) 968-9222 or (734) 458-7301

#### AUG. 26-SEPT. 1 **Financial Peace University**

Time/Date: Begins at 7 p.m., Aug. 31 Location: In the fellowship hall at Peace Lutheran Church, 28000 New Market Road, Farmington Hills Details: Dave Ramsey's financial seminar includes 13 informative sessions on saving, spending, debt and investing.

Contact: www.daveramsey.com/ fpu/locate-class/ or call (248) 553-3380.

New church Time/Date: 4-6 p.m., Aug. 29

Location: Holiday Inn Express, 46194 North I-94 Service Drive, Belleville

Details: Life Pointe Church debuts with worship service, practical preaching, fellowship, food and back-to-school supplies giveaway Contact: The Rev. Billy J. Hales, (734) 486-3210; RSVP to pastorhales@yahoo.com

#### **Vacation Bible School**

Time/Date: Aug. 27-29 Location: Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh, Livonia Details: Galactic Blast Vacation

#### Men's Bible study

Time/Date: Breakfast at 7 a.m. and study at 8 p.m. Location: Kirby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty, Northville Township Contact: John Shulenberger at

(734) 464-9491 New Life Community Church Time/Date: Jobs seminar, 8-9 am., Fridays; reading program for students in grades K-12 and martial arts instruction, both at 10 a.m., Sundays

Location: 42200 Tyler, Belleville Contact: (734) 846-4615 for information

#### Nicole's Revival

Time/Date: 9 a.m., Monday-Friday Location: YWCA Northwest Branch, 25940 Grand River, west of Beech Daly, Redford Details: Scripture reading Contact: (313) 531-1234 **Our Lady of Loretto** Time/Date: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford Details: Scripture study Contact: (313) 534-9000 St. Andrew's Presbyterian

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m., Wednesday and 10:30 a.m. Thursday Location: 26701 Joy

Details: Wednesday study/discussion group focuses on relationship with God and that of other religious groups and philosophical and scientific issues that might impact faith. Thursday group examines early writings not included in the Bible as well as other versions, extensions and controversies concerning Christianity. Led by interim pastor Larry Hoxey Contact: (313) 274-3820

#### Ward Presbyterian

Time/Date: 7 p.m., Mondays Location: Room A101, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville Details: Learner's Bible study is held

Contact: (248) 374-5920

#### Clothing bank

**Canton Christian Fellowship** 

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

Location: 41711 Joy, between Lilley and Haggerty

Details: Canton Christian Fellowship Clothing Bank offers free

clothing (men, women and children) for those in need

**Contact**: (734) 404-2480, visit www.CantonCF.org or send e-mail to info@cantoncf.org

#### online at hometownlife.com

Food Bank

New Hope Church Time/Date: 5-7 p.m., every Friday by appointment only Location: is 44815 Cherry Hill, Canton

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

#### Moms

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m., second Tuesday and 7-9 p.m., fourth Tuesday Location: 14175 Farmington Road,

Livonia Details: Mothers of Preschoolers.

Aimed at mothers of infants through kindergartners

**Contact**: Angle at (248) 427-1020

Dunning Park Bible Chapel

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

Location: 24800 West Chicago Road, Redford

Details: MOPS is a place where moms can build friendships, receive mothering support, practical help

and spiritual hope Contact: Amy at (313) 937-3084 or

Kristen at (734) 542-0767

#### Prayer

Good Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. the first and third Tuesday

Location: 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City

Details: Prayer, spiritual healing

Contact: (734) 427-3660 Nardin Park United Methodist Church

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesday Location: 29887 W. 11 Mile,

Farmington Hills

Details: Participate in an open time of praying silently and aloud together as well as responding to

personal requests

**Contact**: (248) 476-8860 St. Edith Church

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday Location: 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. Enter through the back of the church

Details: Music, singing, prayer Contact: Grace at (734) 464-1896. Shirley at (734) 464-3656, or Geri at (734) 464-8906

St. Michael's Church of Livonia Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. third Wednesday

Location: Corner of Plymouth and Hubbard roads, Livonia



Details: "Hero Headquarters"

Contact: Capt. Jolene Hull or Cassie jolene\_hull@usc.salvationarmy.org

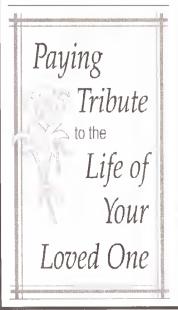
#### **GENEVIEVE DRENNAN**

Age 88, passed away peacefully among family on July 25, 2010. Longtime resident of Swanton, Oh., formerly of Plymouth and Kalamazoo, Mi. Beloved wife of the late Howard (Spud) Drennan. Survived by children Bill, Mike (Glenna), Cheryl (Darrel) Baker, Patti (Denny) Wesenberg, John (Lyn), and Howard Lee (Paula). Also a very proud grandmother of 14, and great-grandmother of 7. Family and friends will gather for a "Celebration of Life" on Friday, August 20, 2010, at the American Legion Hall on Hallet St. in Swanton, Ohio at 3:00 P.M. A brief memorial service will be followed by music, food and drink. In lieu of flowers, donations will be accepted by Hospice of Northwest Ohio, or The Salvation Army.



#### VIRGINIA D. FARMER

Age 80 of Westland, July 30, 2010. note of the late Thomas. Dear mother of Patricia (James) McCloud, Brenda (Randy) Cleveland, Thomas (Mara), Randy (LeeAnn) and Karen (Chris) Johnson. Also leaves 10 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren, sister Ruth Crain and 1 brother Merle Schrepfer. Visitation and services were held at Vermeulen Funeral Plymouth. Memorial Home. Contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association. To leave a message of condolence or share a memory with the family log on to www.vermeulenfuneralhome.com



#### HELEN O. KEHOE, **NEE EDWARDS**

Of St Charles, MO formerly of Canton, MI, passed away peacefully July 21, 2010. Daughter of the late William J. and Martha E. Edwards, wife of the late Clifford M. Kehoe and beloved mother of Charles (Gail) Kehoe of St. Charles, MO and Karen Kehoe of Poisy, France. Cherished grandmother of Donna (Michael) Jeffries and Kevin (Patti) Kehoe. Great Grandmother to Michael, Hannah, Nathan, Jonathan, and Stephen Jeffries; Lucas, Rachel, Kolton and Aiden Kehoe. Her two sisters, Hazel Holston and Ila Long preceded her in death. Mrs. Kehoe worked at the Daisy Air Rifle plant in Plymouth and at Associated Springs of Plymouth Twp. A memorial service will be held Saturday, August 7, 2010 at 2 PM at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 980 N. Newburgh Rd. (btwn Ford Rd. and Cherry Hill), Westland, Memorial Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association through the Vermeulen Funeral Home. To Share a memory or leave a message of condolence for the family visit: www.vermeulenfuneralhome.com

#### **IRIS V. MONTGOMERY**

July 29, 2010 age 83 of Westland. Beloved wife of the late Donald. Dear mother of Donna Mae Swain. Kathryn Ann (the late Bill) Blair & Ginny Bradley. Sister of Helen (George) Sears, Wanda Angel & the late Kinard Snider. Sister-in-law of John (Stella) Montgomery. Also survived by 6 grandchildren & 6 great grandchildren. Funeral at the Uht uneral Home, 35400 Glenwood Rd., Westland; Monday, August 2, 2010 at 1 P.M. Family requests memorials to Hospice of Michigan. Please visit and sign a tribute at www.uhtfh.com

#### JACK D. PERRY

Age 60, passed away, July 31, 2010 at his home in the care of his loving family. Jack was a very generous and loving husband, father and grandfather and always put others needs before his own. He is survived by his wife of 34 years Carol, his loving children, James and Christine, his beloved grandchildren, Hakiim. Tahani and Alex. He is also survived by his mother Mabel and his brothers Ron and Tim. He was preceded in death by his father Glenn Perry in 2010 and his mother in-law Beverly Koster in 1995. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, August 7, 2010 at 3:00 PM at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon. The family will receive friends beginning at 2:00 PM. Online Guestbook: www.philipsfuneral.com





#### **GRACE L. WAACK**

Age 88, passed away peacefully on August 3, 2010. Spending her entire life in the Farmington/Livonia area, Mrs. Waack was retired from the Farmington school district. She resided and was actively involved in the Newburgh Village retirement community. She also volunteered at the Livonia Senior Center. Predeceased by her loving husband Russell, children Douglas and Michael, and 7 brothers. Survived by children Ruthann, Russell (Rettia), Judith, daughter-in-law Kay, John (Dawn), Tim (Crystal), Jeff (Mark), and Ann (Liz); 15 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. Also survived her brother Harvey Chapman. Visitation Friday 3-9pm, In State Saturday 10:00am until Funeral Mass. Thayer Rock Funeral Home, 33603 Farmington. Interment Clarenceville Cemetery, Livonia.



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Time/Day: 10 a.m. to 6:45 p.m. Location: 28660 Five Mile, Livonia Details: Unity World Day of Prayer involves people of all faiths joining in prayer for the health and wellbeing of the world, as well as for one another.

Contact: (734) 421-1760; www.unityoflivonia.org

#### ONGOING

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

Location: Faith Bible Church, 23414 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills Details: AWANA program for children from kindergarten through fifth grade Contact: (248) 426-0096

#### Classes/study

Emmanuel Lutheran Church Time/Date: 7-8 p.m., second Monday of the month Location: 34567 Seven Mile, between Farmington and Newburgh roads, Livonia Details: Open Arms Bible class

for adults with developmental disabilities and special needs. Includes songs, Bible lessons, crafts and activities, prayer, snacks and fun. Contact: Judy Cook at Emmanuel, (248) 442-8822 or e-mail to jcook59@att.net.

#### Livonia Unity

Time/Date: Monday movement Qigong, 7-8:30 p.m.; Thursday Qigong meditation, 10-11:15 a.m., and Friday Therapeutic Qigong, 7-8:30 p.m.

Location: 28660 Five Mile, Livonia Details: Learn Qigong, the ancient form of Chinese energetic medicine - a safe and effective way to rid the body of toxic pathogens and years of painful emotions

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#### **Crafters wanted**

**First United Methodist Church** Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Oct. 23 Location: Eight Mile and Taft in Northville

Details: 3rd Annual Community Bizarre Bazaar to benefit Village Banking at the church. A great opportunity for local entrepreneurs and artists to showcase their talents and products to hundreds of local customers. Booking now **Contact**: For details and to reserve a place, e-mail to Pat Breslin at fumcbazaar@gmail.com, Learn more about Village Banking at www.FINCA. org Riverside Park Church of God Time/Date: 0ct. 22-23 Location: 11771 Newburgh, Livonia Details: Applications are being accepted for the annual fall craft show. Rental spaces are 8- by 5-feet and can be reserved for one day at a cost of \$20 or two days for \$30. Tables an additional \$5 **Contact**: (734) 464-0990; download an application at www.riversideparkchurch.org

#### St. John's Episcopal Church

Time/Date: Oct. 9 Location: 555 South Wayne Road, Westland

Details: Looking for crafters and vendors to participate in a fall craft sale

#### Contact: (734) 721-5023 St. Thomas a'Becket

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 4 Location: 555 S. Lilley, Canton **Details:** Accepting applications for handmade crafts only for 20th annual Christmas Craft Show Contact: craftshow@abecket.org or (734) 844-1232

#### Fellowship dinner

St. James Presbyterian Time/Date: 6 p.m., the first Thursday of the month Location: 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford Details: Cost is \$8 and includes dinner, beverage and dessert. The Cookie Lady, Susan Navarro, provides the meals

Contact: (313) 268-7780. The church phone number is (313) 534-7730

Details: Parish prayer and Eucharistic Adoration. Benediction service follows. (734) 261-1455

#### Senior citizens

**Riverside Park Church of God** Time/Date: 11:30 a.m., third Thursdays Location: 11771 Newburgh, Livonia

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#### Singles

First Presbyterian Church Time/Date: Thursdays 7:30-7:45 p.m. for social time, 7:45-8 p.m. opening, 8-9 p.m. program Location: 200 E. Main St., Northville Details: Single Place Ministry meets: cost is \$5 Contact: (248) 349-0911 or visit www.singleplace.org **Steve's Family Restaurant** Time/Date: 9 a.m. second and fourth Thursday Location: 15800 Middlebelt, 1/4 mile north of Five Mile, Livonia Details: Widowed men of all ages may attend the Widowed Friends Men's breakfast. This is an informal "peer" group where men have an opportunity to meet with others who are ready to help cope or become involved in the other social activities offered by Widowed Friends.

#### Contact: (313) 534-0399 Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Time/Date: 11:30 a.m., Sunday Location: 40000 Six Mile, Northville Details: Single Point Ministries, for 30 and up, offers fellowship. Coffee, doughnuts, conversation Contact: (248) 374-5920

#### Song Circle

**Congregation Beth Ahm** Time/Date: Noon to 12:30 p.m., every Shabbat

Location: 5075 W. Maple, West Bloomfield

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#### HAVE A STORY IDEA?

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## Scottish treat Bake your best shortbread recipe for Highland Games contest

FOOD

#### **BY SHARON DARGAY O&E STAFF WRITER**

Peg Dunlop bakes a version of shortbread that she jokingly calls "cardiac cookie." It's the butter that takes the traditional Scottish treat "beyond sugar cookies" and the addition of an egg yolk that "makes it richer."

"It has tons of butter and egg," said Dunlop, who bakes the recipe a couple of times a month. "My family loves it. With my recipe you can do Christmas cookies, too."

Judges at the Highland Games in Chicago, Ill., loved it so much they awarded Dunlop first prize a few years ago for best shortbread. She liked the contest idea and brought it idea back to Livonia for the St. Andrew Society's 160th games last year.

"This will be our second year," said Dunlop, a St. Clair Shores woman who is coordinating the competition Saturday, Aug. 7 at the games, which take place at historic Greenmead, 20501 Newburgh. "It's open to anyone. Bring 10 to 12 shortbread (pieces) before 2 p.m. on the day of the games." She said participants can drop the treats off and register for the competition at the welcome center.

Thursday, August 5, 2010

"Last year we only had seven entries. That wasn't bad for the first year. We're hoping to get a dozen people at least this vear. We'd like to get a good turnout."

A Clarkston resident, Helen McInnes Brisson, won the first annual contest. This year's winner will receive a trophy and the St. Andrew's Society will post the recipe on its

Highland Games Web site. 'There are thousands of shortbread recipes. Everyone has their grandmother's.

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Helen's is traditional. It's triangle-shaped - called petticoat tails. It's yummy.' Dunlop said traditional

Scottish recipes call for rice flour and "castor" sugar, which is confectioners sugar. She's toying with the idea of adding a second category, flavored shortbread, to the contest next vear

Rather eat shortbread than bake it?

Vendors will be on hand at the Highland Games with imported shortbread and other Scottish treats, such as Iron Brew, a sweet orangeflavored soda pop and clootie, a steamed pudding. A variety of Scottish food and drinks will be available at both the

kick-off party, which is called a "Ceilidh," from 5-11 p.m. Friday, Aug. 6 and 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Highland Games, on Saturday, Aug. 7. Scotch whisky tastings, part of a 45-minute educational seminar on the single malt beverage, are set for 1 p.m. and

3 p.m. on Saturday. <sup>\*</sup>Fish and chips is traditional for all of the UK, including Scotland," Dunlop noted. "Scottish meat pies — that's finely ground beef and salt and pepper. Those are the two big-Visitors also will find Scotch

"I have made those for special occasions," Dunlop said, adding that she includes them

at Christmas brunch. Here are a few other of Dunlop's favorite Scottish

foods, along with Brisson's winning shortbread:

BRISSON'S MCINNES SHORTBREAD FAVORITE

- 1 teacup icing sugar 1 teacup corn flour (corn starch)
- 2 teacups flour
- 1 good pinch of salt
- + pound butter **Directions:**

Melt butter in saucepan, then pour over dry ingredients and mix to a firm dough. Mivide dough into three sponge tins (6 inch) and flatten with the back of a spatula. Prick dough all over with a fork. Bake in a moderate oven (375 degrees) until golden brown or to taste for approximately 20 minutes. Remove from oven and cut into wedges. Let cool in tin. Flip tin and tap gently on bottom until short bread releases. Sprinkle with castor (extra-fine) sugar. Eat and enjoy!

#### **CITY BITES**

#### Bring on the roast pig

Farmington Hills - Throw on your favorite Hawaiian shirt and "hang ten" at the Longacre House Porch Party, 6-8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 20.

All ages are welcome to enjoy the festivities which will include a pig roast, traditional Hawaiian fare and luau music. The Hawaiian Luau costs \$8 per person at the door. A cash bar will be available.

The Longacre House is located at 24705 Farmington Road, north of 10 Mile. (248) 477-8404 or visit www.longacrehouse.org.

#### For charity

Livonia – Flemings Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar's "Summer of Giving" series of fund-raisers will benefit the Injured Marine Semper Fi Fund on Aug. 13 and First Step on Aug. 20. Both events run 5-7 p.m. at the restaurant, 17400 Haggerty. Both feature hors d'oeuvres and wine.

The Injured Marine Semper Fi Fund benefit costs \$50. The organization aims to increase awareness and financial support for those in the Marines and U.S. Navy - along with Army, Air Force and Coast Guard members who have served in support of Marine forces - who have been injured in combat or training. For tickets, call the Fund at (810) 844-6604.

The First Step benefit costs \$100. The organization aims to reduce the incidence of domestic and sexual violence, provide services to victims and prevent domestic and sexual violence through education, advocacy and intervention. Call First Step for tickets at (734) 416-1111, Ext. 205.

#### **PEG DUNLOP'S SHORTBREAD**

+ cup of white granulated sugar 1 cup of butter 1 egg yolk 2¼ cup of flour

Beat sugar and butter until light and fluffy. Mix in one egg yolk. Add flour and mix until a semi-stiff dough forms. Press in 8- by 8-inch pan. Prick with fork at one inch intervals and bake in 350-degree oven for 30 minutes. Cut in squares or rectangles while still warm.

This dough also makes good cut out cookies. Roll to 1/4 inch thickness and cut with cookie cutter. Or you can put it through a cookie press. Bake at 350 degrees for 15 minutes.

#### CLAPSHOT Serves 4 1 pound potatoes

1 pound yellow turnip (swede) 5 tablespoons of cream or butter 1-2 tablespoons sniped chives Salt and black pepper Freshly grated nutmeg Boil the potato and turnip for about 20 minutes.. Drain. Mash them thoroughly until smooth. Mix in the cream or butter and chives and season to taste with salt, plenty of black pepper and some grated nutmeg. Continue to mash. Turn into a warmed serving dish and serve immediately.

#### CRANACHAN

Serve # 4 tablespoons pinhead oatmeal 1¼ cups of whipping cream 2 tablespoons whisky **3 tablespoons liquid honey** 

8 ounces raspberries

Put the oatmeal in a small dry frying pan and toast it over a gentle heat for about 20 minutes, shaking the pan from time to time until it is lightly browned.

Whip the cream until it is thick but not too stiff. Add the whisky and honey to taste. Reserve a few of the raspberries for garnish. Fold the rest into the cream. Spoon the mixture into four glass dishes and chill until ready to serve. Just before serving, sprinkle the toasted oatmeal on top of the cream and decorate with the reserved raspberries.



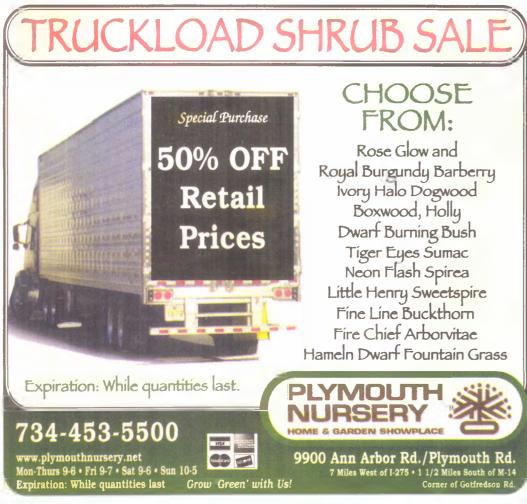
Helen Brisson, winner of last year's shortbread contest at the Highland

Games in Livonia, shows off her award.

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nation of hard-boiled egg wrapped in sausage and an outer bread coating.





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## Habitat homes in Westland, Redford godsend to families

Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne County has been building and rehabbing a number of homes in Westland, joining homes for lowincome families in other western Wayne communities.

A groundbreaking was recently held for a Westland home for Torri Lewis, a single mother of four children, Trevaun, 15, Tiara, 13, Tiana, 5, and Tavion. 3.

Torri Lewis has been employed at Oakland Regional Hospital as a patient care technician for three years. She has been in this career for 17 years. She is enrolled at Wayne **County Community College to pursue** a career as a registered nurse. Lewis has already secured over 160 sweat equity hours working on other Habitat projects, a requirement for all families moving into Habitat homes who put in 250 hours.

The groundbreaking and wall-raising ceremony started around 9 a.m. on Saturday, July 17. People were in attendance from the following churches to participate in the ceremony: St. John Neumann Catholic, Our Lady of Victory in Northville, First Presbyterian Church of Northville, First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, St Paul's Lutheran Church of Northville and Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church in Livonia. Following the wall-raising ceremony, a crew from Christ Our Savior worked on the job site the rest of the day and completed most of the exterior walls of the house.

Alice Dent, executive director of the Plymouth-based Habitat for Humanity affiliate, acted as the mistress of ceremonies for the groundbreaking wallraising ceremony. Joanne Inglis, community development/housing director from the city of Westland, was on hand for the ceremony and welcomed the new family to Westland

Habitat affiliate work is also on tap for Redford Township. Supervisor Tracey Schultz Kobylarz, officials from Habitat for Humanity and the Yatooma's Foundation for The Kids are eager to pound nails and raise walls on Berwyn Street in Redford Township to provide affordable shelter for Angela Jackson and her three children. This first historic build is fully funded by Redford Township using their SNAP Funds (Stabilizing Neighborhood Action Plan) allocated from the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) from HUD.

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"We are grateful to partner with Redford Township and Yatooma's Foundation as we strive to strengthen the family and the community," said Dent of Habitat.

Redford Township's Community **Development Director Michael Dennis** said, "It's an honor to work with Habitat for Humanity and particularly the Western Wayne County affiliate to build on our first venture, and we anticipate many opportunities in the future."

"The home is the vital center of life for every family," said Norman Yatooma, founder and president of Yatooma's Foundation For The Kids. "We appreciate the support of Habitat for Humanity, as our organization's mission aligns with theirs to help the Jackson family build a new life in a new home."

The groundbreaking and wall-raising ceremony in Redford will be noon Friday, Aug. 13.

Together for 13 years, and married for eight, Angela and Anthony Jackson had three children and a happy family together. Everything changed on the fateful evening of Oct. 5, 2009. Anthony, a kind man who always helped other people, was driving home and exiting the expressway when he saw a woman, who later g



Church members raise a wall for the Habitat home in Westland for the Torri Lewis family.

with a tire iron.

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coma, but survived.

Anthony died as a result of those

Anthony worked two jobs to sup-

port his family, and the loss has been

extremely hard, both emotionally and

In addition to providing the Jackson

financially, for the Jackson family.

family with rent and utility assis-

tance, food and emotional support,

Yatooma's Foundation For The Kids

helped connect Angela with Habitat

injuries. The woman spent time in a



this account: She had been beaten and was attempting to flag a car down for help.

One car had already driven past her before Anthony stopped to assist. She asked him to drive her to her sister's house, a safe place from her assaulter. While driving, he noticed someone behind them whom she identified as her attacker. The man kept following them, and once they neared her sister's home, he rammed his car into the back of Anthony's car, forcing it into a pole. The man then pulled Anthony out of his car and began beating him

Volunteers from area churches were glad to work on the Habitat for Humanity home Saturday, July 17.

people who are becoming more infirm is a very taxing issue. There is always the

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challenge of determining what constitutes a reasonable accommodation for a senior with a disability and, in the case that you indicated, it may well be necessary to have a noodle-shaped flotation device at the pool in order to allow the person to be able to use it in a reasonable fashion. All community associations should be ready to deal with not only seniors, but others who slip into an alarming behavioral pattern, especially with accessibility to their home. The full strategy may be as obvious as contacting elderly members or relatives. On the other hand, if there are not relatives they may have to contact Social Services and be concerned about the Federal Fair Housing Act which gives broad protection to disabled persons, including those with mental and emotional disabilities.



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These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of April 19-23, 2010, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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Q: Our governing documents state no garage sales or other commercial activities can be permitted. Our board approved a stuff sale charging homeowners a certain amount of money to open their garages or bring items to sell at the clubhouse. Is that a problem?

A: If your documents prohibit garage sales or other commercial activities, permitting homeowners in a gated community to open their garages to the public is contrary to the documents. If it is done at a clubhouse sale, that may not be defined as a lot or unit but is still a garage or other commercial activity but it may be permitted. However, if they open the clubhouse to the public, they are running into problems concerning the Americans With Disabilities Act and other security issues. Generally speaking, it is not a good idea.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of **Condominium Operation:** Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$1 shipping and handling. He also wrote Condo Living: A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling a Condominium, available for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping and handling. For more information, call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@meisnerassociates.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

#### HOMES SOLD-WAYNE

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of April 19-22, 2010, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

Canton	
42723 Colling Dr	\$134,000
1963 Knollwood Dr	\$140,000
46437 Mornington Rd	\$310,000
47453 Putney Ct	\$300,000
41845 Ravenwood St	\$147,000
46585 Southwick Dr	\$329,000
1469 Wagon Wheel Rd	\$155,000
Garden City	
33552 Alvin St	\$94,000
418 Cardwell St	\$52,000
Livonia	
14158 Berwick St	\$130,000
36301 Hees St	\$138,000
8874 Hugh St	\$88,000
29551 Nottingham Cir	\$97,000
15660 Oakhill Ct	\$10,000
15520 Williams St	\$153,000
Northville	
15686 Dorchester Ct	\$575,000
18020 W Northville Trl	\$329,000
40103 Woodside Dr S	\$340,000
Plymouth	
8991 Quail Cir	\$381,000
Redford	
24941 Elmira	\$75,000
15830 Macarthur	\$61,000
14311 Sarasota	\$75,000
Westland	
36803 Dover Dr	\$106,000

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36034 Pamela Ct
6766 Quail Run Cir
38573 Scott Dr
6341 W Morgan Cir
7500 Woodview St

#### Investors

Do you have "Challenges in Finding Capital For **Real Estate Investing?** A program on financing will be presented by Joedy Patrick, with Entrust Great Lakes LLC, sponsored by the Real Estate Investors Association of Oakland on Thursday Aug. 12, 2010; 5:30-9:30 p.m. at Club Venetian, 29310 John R, north of 12 Mile, Madison Heights. Seminar free to members, \$20 nonmembers. Call (800) 747-6742. (www.REIAofOakland. com)

#### Career Seminar

\$115,000 \$55,000

\$105,000

\$94,000

\$23,000

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industries, account management, retail sales, small business operations, marketing or event planning. Candidates should have: good people/communication skills, some computer knowledge, a strong work ethic, an optimistic "can do" attitude and a strong desire to achieve results through helping others.

Please call (734) 459-4700 to reserve a free seat. The seminar will be 6:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 19, at Keller Williams, 40600 Ann Arbor Road, Suite 100, Plymouth. Seminar includes: cost vs. income potential, training, company profit share, and commission structures.

#### Charity golf

Coldwell Banker Weir Manuel announced that its recent golf outing raised more than \$2,500 for local charity Camp Casey (www. camp-casey.org), a horse

camp and outreach program for children battling

cancer. "We are pleased to be able to help this very worthwhile Michiganbased charity carry forth their wonderful programs supporting children who are conquering cancer,' said Kelly Sweeney, CEO of Coldwell Banker Weir Manuel. "All our employees and sponsors put forth a heartfelt effort to make this outing a success."

Sponsors included Ductz of Mid-Michigan, Sedgewick Claims Management Services, Coldwell Banker Home Protection Plan, Bankers Title, Identity PR, Lau & Lau Associates, JATKA, Home Team Inspection, Grid 4, Changing Places, Morgan Stanley Smith Barney, Bankers Home Loan, 2-10 Home Buyers Warranty, Premier **Business Products (check-**

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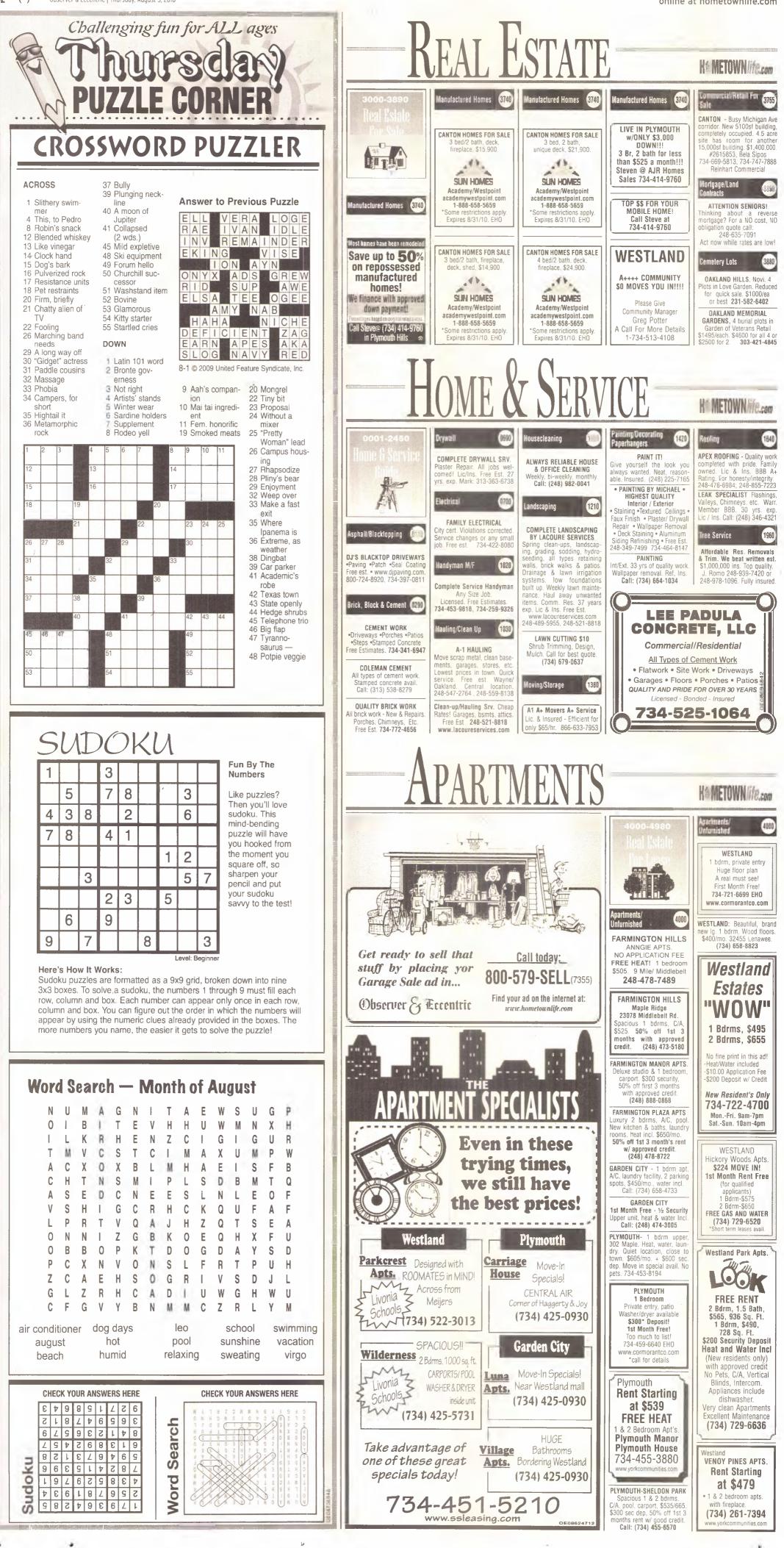
Camp Casey is a Michigan grassroots effort, totally funded by contributions.

"(This) is a place where ailing kids can forget about their treatments, prognosis and pain - even if just for an hour – and saddle up with their families watching in true delight," said Today Show correspondent Jill Rappaport who, with Matt Lauer, did a televised story on the camp.

"The program also offers 'Horsey House Calls,' where organizers bring a horse to kids' backyards," said Rappaport. "I accompanied the group on one such outing and will never forget the firsthand effect this horse had on the sick child. It was truly beautiful. And for all the children who are involved with Camp Casey, this is the best medicine they could ever ask for."

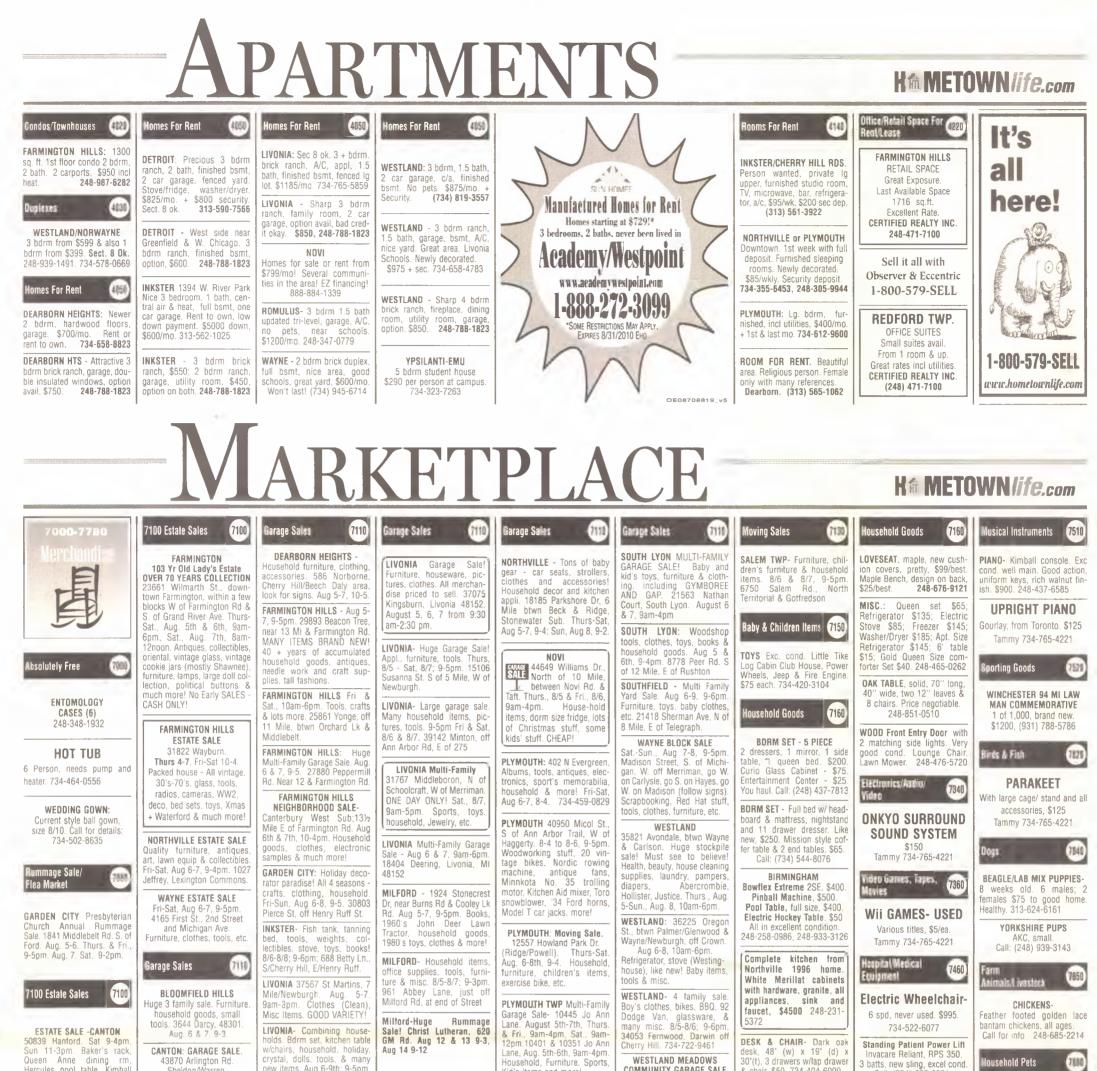
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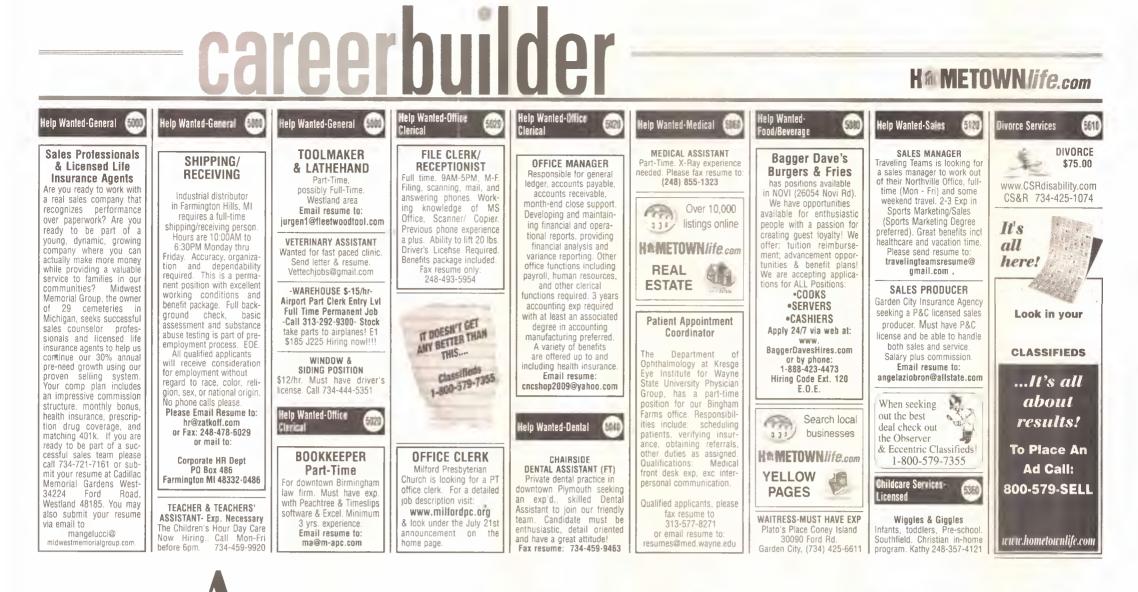
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