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Plymouth and Canton libraries.

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last night for the seniors.

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the PCAC, 'Jeff is an excellent choice as the program

director,'

said Deb

Madonna,

the PCAC's

Council officials announced Jeff Burda has been appointed as the interim program

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A GANNETT COMPANY



Guy Louis and friends get their dancing shoes on during last year's Music in the Park concert in Kellogg Park.

The PCAC is located at 774 Louis, a popular attraction in the concert series, appears June 29. N. Sheldon in Plymouth. For more information, call (734) The park's the place

Summer in the city means free lunchtime concerts

BY MATT JACHMAN OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The free Wednesday lunchtime concerts at Kellogg Park, a Plymouth summer tradition for more than a generation, rev up again later this month.

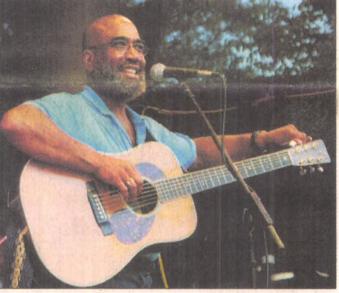
The 10-week series, produced by the Plymouth Community Arts Council, is entering its 27th season. The concerts, designed for younger audiences, begin at noon each Wednesday in the park, or at The Gathering in the case of rain.

Folk singer Josh White Jr., a series favorite who hasn't appeared in several years, kicks things off on Wednesday, June 22. Guy Louis and Chautauqua Express, a perennial favorite, appear June 29 and Aug. 17.

Deb Madonna, president of the PCAC board, has been attending the concerts faithfully for years.

'There's no more fun in the world than being out there on Wednesdays and being a part of something where kids are having so much fun," Madonna said.

From toddlers to teens and parents to grandparents, the concerts draw a variety of



Josh White Jr., opens the Plymouth Community Arts Council's Music in the Park series with a June 22 performance.

MUSIC IN THE PARK

The Music in the Park concert series runs Wednesdays at noon in

Kellogg Park. The entire schedule is as follows: · June 22: Josh White Jr.

June 29: Guy Louis and Chautaugua Express

· July 6: Musica Batteria

· July 13: Saline Fiddlers

· July 20: Gemini

- July 27: Biakuye Percussion Group

• Aug. 3: Mr. Seley & the Troublemakers Aug. 10: Barbara Bailey Hutchinson

 Aug. 17: Guy Louis and Chautauqua Express Aug. 24: Beverly Meyer, "The Music Lady"

Please see CONCERTS, A5

BY BRAD KADRICH

Community Schools will be open for business to children

The Board of Education approved a recommendation from its administrative team to open the district to children of employees only, one of three options that had been

Administration officials are hoping to gain some 150 students from the move,

which would produce a little more than \$1 million in revenue. Interim Superintendent Jeremy Hughes has been urging swift action on the issue, to give administrators time to put together a marketing plan that will allow the district to implement the decision for the 2011-12 school year.

"Swift action is necessary," Hughes told board members. "The numbers may not be as positive in the end as we'd like to think they are. We need to get out there as fast as we can to market it."

The district did an in-house survey of employees earlier

est in bringing their children into the district. According to Hughes, some 300 employees responded to the survey; of those, 103 employees expressed an interest in the

However, Hughes cautioned, a similar study in Northville schools produced similar results, with more than 100 employees expressing interest, but only 17 students actually enrolled.

Other options included opening the boundaries to

Please see DISTRICT. A5

City trims hair salon's marketing plan

THE SCOOP ON Sundaes

BY MATT JACHMAN **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

A new Plymouth hair salon's bid to use Kellogg Park to offer free haircuts on a Sunday afternoon later this month is prompting officials to review the city's special events policy as it relates to for-profit enterprises.

The Plymouth City Commission voted 5-2 Monday against the request by the Clover Salon, which opened in March, to set up an area in Kellogg Park on June 26 and offer free haircuts and style consultations to passers-by, and possibly pass out free water and lemonade and sell hair products.

The event was to be a marketing tool for the salon, according to its application for the use of park space.

"It was just kind of a fun thing to get people aware of our business," said salon manager Samantha Holt on Tuesday.

But that's what gave some commission members pause

"I draw a distinction somewhere in here between a private business and a community organization," said Mayor Dan Dwyer, who had the salon's request moved from the commission's consent agenda, through which routine items are approved a single vote and little discussion, to the regular agenda. Several other requests to use public space for public events were approved as part of the consent agenda Monday.

Commissioner Ron Loiselle said he didn't see a problem, comparing the hair-cutting event to others, such as Art in the Park and the Saturday farmers market, during which, respectively, artworks and produce are sold in public space.

"I really don't see any difference," said Loiselle. He said it shouldn't be government's role to decide what kind of event is worthy of using the park.

But other commissioners said events like Art in the Park and the farmers market have a broader public benefit, and that allowing what appeared to be a for-profit business to use the park would set a dangerous precedent.

"This is strictly to market a business," said Commissioner David Workman about the Clover Salon request. "There is no community enhancement that I can envision."

Dwyer said City Attorney Robert Marzano would study the special events policy and return with new language, regarding for-profit events, that the commission could possibly adopt.

"Once you start to try and delve into this you open a whole lot of doors," Dwyer said. "Or maybe the answer is, stay out of the way and get a haircut. I could use one," he added, drawing laughs.

Voting with Dwyer and Workman against the salon's bid were Commissioners Gerald Sabatini, Michael Wright and Ed Hingelberg. Voting in favor were Loiselle and Commissioner John Barrett.

Holt, the salon manager, said she was disappointed with the commission's decision but understands the need for regulation. She said the salon is planning other public events, including fundraisers for charity.

The salon would have had to pay at least \$250 to use Kellogg Park; Holt said she was willing to pay a reasonable fee.

The Clover Salon is on Main Street in the Charlestowne Square Plaza. Holt said she wants to approach city officials to find out "what the boundaries are" regarding special events.

"We're just getting started and we have a lot of ideas and we're trying to put them in place," she said.

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District will open to employee children

OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

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River Day christens rebuilt trail

BY DARRELL CLEM OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Observer & Eccentric | Thursday, June 9, 2011

Hundreds of people rode their bikes along the newly rebuilt I-275 Metro Trail, explored the Lower Rouge River Recreation Trail and pitched in to spruce up Canton's Heritage Park, mounting a strong turnout Saturday for River Day activities.

An avid bicyclist who starts basic training for the U.S. Navy in October in Chicago, 19-year-old Brad MacPherson estimated he rode 30 miles or more from his Westland home to Canton, Plymouth and Livonia as outdoor enthusiasts marked one of the area's busiest River Day celebrations in years.

He and his friends met at the Sweet Bikes store at Ford and Lotz, rode down to the Cherry Hill rest stop to hear a band, biked into Plymouth, pedaled back to the rest area for a ribbon-cutting ceremony, then whisked their way to Seven Mile in Livonia, where they parted ways.

"The trail is beautiful," MacPherson said. "They did such an exceptional job. It used to be really messed up and bumpy. Now it's nice and smooth and very wellmaintained. It's an easy way to get from city to city and not drive. It also saves on

The 40-mile Metro Trail has been rebuilt from Michigan Avenue to Hines Drive, with smaller-scale repairs made to a less-damaged stretch north to Meadowbrook Road. Work hasn't yet been completed on the southern leg of the pathway.

FIXING THE LINK

Bikers lauded the Michigan Department of Transportation and volunteers for fixing the trail, which links to the of Oakland County.

The Plymouth Historical

Museum is teaming up with

Area to sell raffle tickets for

According to Elizabeth

Kerstens, the director of

the museum, the program

Michigan's auto and labor-

is designed to help many of

Felated venues generate funds

Program.

MotorCities National Heritage

the annual MotorCities Raffle



Mark Spencer from Howell rode the trail from Walsh College.

Lower Rouge River Recreation Trail used by bicyclists, joggers and walkers between I-275 and Canton Center Road, just south of the township library.

"It's a good connector route to get to different places," Metro Trail President Diane Bancroft, a Canton resident, said. "I rode my bike across the Lower Rouge trail to the library."

Both projects have been eagerly awaited for years as workers cleared paths, installed pedestrian bridges and readied the trails for a growing number of users. Saturday marked a dual celebration for the trails.

"It's very significant to the people in our area," Bancroft said, adding that the trail system is "being very well-used" by residents of Canton, Plymouth, Westland, Livonia, Farmington Hills and other communities.

People came Saturday from communities as far away as Redford and portions

Museum benefits from \$20,000 raffle tickets

for their organizations. Tickets

are for sale at the museum

will be announced at a

MotorCities Volunteer Dinner

on October 8 at the Auto Hall

for \$5 each or three for \$10;

More River Day photos, A10.

Bancroft rides her bike from Canton to Plymouth to listen to music on Friday nights, and she uses the trail system to go to businesses in the area of Six Mile and Haggerty roads.

GOOD ATTENDANCE

"The Metro Trail also is very popular with the long-distance truck drivers," she said. "They use it to jog and ride their bikes when they're at the (Cherry Hill)

Bob Belair, assistant township engineer, estimated that as many as 500 people joined the area's numerous River Day activities, though organizers said exact numbers were difficult to gauge. Many gathered near the Lower Rouge River trailhead on Morton Taylor north of Michigan Avenue for programs such as a demonstration by the Leslie Science Center of a live falcon, owl and bald eagle.

'That was one of the highlights of the trailhead event, I thought," Belair said.

Across town, large crowds gathered near Heritage Park ponds to plant shrubs, grasses and wildflowers, and Belair said volunteers also cleaned out some of the drains to ensure they are working prop-

Metro Trail supporters also sponsored activities at Schoolcraft College. Bancroft, meanwhile, said Friends of the I-275 Metro Trail have taken on the responsibility to care for that trail — originally built in the 1970s — now that it has been restored. Potential volunteers can find the group on Facebook or Yahoo Groups. She also said the group may be contacted by email at I275metrotrail@yahoo.com.

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AROUND PLYMOUTH

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

Flag retirement Date/Time: Saturday, June 11, 2

Location: VFW Post 6695, 1426 S.

Mill in Plymouth Details: The VFW Post 6695 hosts a flag retirement ceremony starting

at 2 p.m. The public is welcome; free hot dogs will be provided following the ceremony. The color guard and Boy Scout volunteers will do the

Contact: (734) 459-6700

Electronic waste

Date/Time: Monday, June 13, 3-7 p.m. **Location**: VFW Post 6695, 1426 S. Mill in Plymouth

Details: The VFW Post 6695 will host an electrical waste collection. There is no charge or residency requirement. Anything with a power cord will be accepted (please, no refrigerators). The Post is also looking for old cell phones and any related equipment to turn in for calling cards. Contact: (734) 459-6700

Rummage sale

Date/Time: June 9-10, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.: June 11, 9 a.m. to noon Location: Trinity Church, 10101 Ann Arbor Road (at Gotfredson) **Details**: Huge Rummage Sale to benefit youth and adult mission trips to Africa, Mexico and the U.S. Furniture, small appliances, housewares, tools, sports equipment, books, yard furniture/equipment, linens, clothing, plants, toys/games, lighting, jewelry and craft supplies.

Crafters wanted

Date/Time: Oct. 15 Location: West Middle School in Plymouth

Details: Organizers of the Delta Kappa Gamma Craft Fair at West Middle School are looking for crafters. Proceeds go for scholarships for future educators from the Plymouth/ Canton high schools. The fair general draws some 1,500 customers and features food and drawings.

Contact: Judy, (734) 347-1001 or Alice (248) 348-5561 or dachrenko@ hotmail.com

Grief workshop

Date/Time: Saturday, July 16, 9 a.m. Location: Room A-105 at Ward

Church in Northville **Details:** Ward Presbyterian Church is sponsoring a one day grief seminar, From Grief to New Hope, presented by Cathy Clough, Founder/ Executive Director of New Hope Center for Grief Support and co-

author of Grieving Forward: Death Happened, Now What? Contact: Call Barb Brace at Ward Church at (248) 374-5943.

All Saints Camp

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to noon, July 18-Aug. 5

Location: All Saints Catholic School, Canton

Details: All Saints Catholic School offers early childhood enrichment summer camps for students entering 4 year-old preschool and kindergarten this fall in the Plymouth-Canton Area. The camps enhance early literacy, math, and science skills while including fun elements of summertime: nature, music, and outdoor games. The cost is \$100.00 per week. **Contact**: For registration forms and additional information, please visit the school's website at www. allsaintscs.com or e-mail msswiderek@yahoo.com.

Grief support

Date/Time: 1st and 3rd Tuesday monthly, 6-7:30 p.m. **Location**: Compassionate Care Hospice, 5730 Lilley, Suite A, Canton **Details:** Compassionate Care Hospice conducts an ongoing grief support group, The Grief Journey, for anyone grieving the loss of a loved one. The goal of the group is to provide support and education on the grief process. There is no charge. Contact: Ann Christensen, Compassionate Care Hospice

Bereavement Coordinator, (888) 983-9050.

Summer art camps

Date/Time: Begin June 20, morning and afternoon sessions **Location**: Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon,

Plymouth **Details**: Half-day camps for ages 5-12 are offered in a wide variety of themes, ranging from the traditional favorites; Drawing, Painting, Pottery and Performing Arts to some themed camps, including Diva Art, Camp Earth, Construction-Destruction Art and Animation and Cartooning. Contact: Visit the Plymouth

Community Arts website (www. plymoutharts.com) or call (734) 416-4278. PCA preschool

Date/Time: Now

Location: 43065 Joy Road, Canton (between Lilley and Morton Taylor) **Details**: Plymouth Christian Preschool, a division of Plymouth Christian Academy, is now enrolling for fall classes. Visit the website for a virtual tour and more information. Contact: (734) 459-3505 or www.

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The Plymouth Historical Museum will receive 50 percent of the sale price of each rooftop heating/air conditioning units that are beyond their life expectancy.

The Museum is part of the

MotorCities National Heritage Area and includes an exhibit of the only known Alter car, made in Plymouth. The musedowntown Plymouth. Museum hours are 1-4 p.m., Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Visit the Museum's website at www.plymouthhistory.org for more information.



ASSIGNATION

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

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July 1.....Zap Toro (Latin)

July 8.....NO SHOW - Art in the Park July 15.....Steve King and the Dittilies (Rock)

July 22....Gia Warner Band July 29.....The Bluescasters (Blues)

Aug. 5.....Those Delta Rhythm Kings (Swing) Aug. 12....Michael King & Friends (Rock)

Aug. 19....Mass Transit Band (Top 40) Aug. 26....Randy Brock Group (Blues)

Sept. 2....Lady Sunshine and the X Band (Soul)

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City OKs \$7 million budget for next fiscal year

BY MATT JACHMAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Having avoided much, but not all, of the budget-cutting drama being seen in neighboring communities, Plymouth officials now have a spending plan in place for the next 12 months.

The new general-fund budget of \$7.185 million for the fiscal year that begins Friday, July 1, was approved with a unanimous Plymouth City Commission vote on Monday.

"We're bucking the trend. We continue to buck the trend," said Mayor Dan Dwyer, referring to cost-cutting measures the city has taken over several years, which may have saved it from having to make sweeping cuts all at once. By contrast, Garden City is laying off 15 employees and closing its recreation department this sum-

mer.

MARKED DIFFERENCE

The new budget ticked up nearly \$39,000, a marked difference from the budget for the year that's ending, which cut spending by about \$400,000 compared to the previous year.

The city has made cuts to staffing gradually, through attrition, with the remaining staff taking on more work and seeking efficiencies. The budget plan shows about 57 full-time-equivalent city employees now, about 16 less than in the 2001-02 budget year.

"We continue to review our organization, making changes where appropriate," said City Manager Paul Sincock.

In its search for savings, the commission voted in February to partner with the city of Northville for a

shared fire department and emergency medical service beginning in January. Startup costs of at least \$1 million are anticipated, but savings of \$400,000 or more a year are expected.

The new arrangement means the city will leave the Plymouth Community Fire Department, which also serves Plymouth Township, after this year. The city paid about \$1 million a year toward the PCFD in recent years.

JOINING NORTHVILLE

The commission's decision to join the Northville department drew more attention, from supporters of unionized firefighters and from some residents, than other recent budget-cutting steps officials have taken, and the City Hall meeting room was packed for the commission's unani-

mous vote; Plymouth Township, facing the loss of city PCFD revenue plus a smaller coverage area, is now left having to either cut firefighters or adopt a new service model.

The 2011-12 budget plan shows a fire department budget for Plymouth of \$845,000.

The new budget also earmarks \$3.1 million for the Plymouth Police Department, just over \$1.3 million for city administration, \$640,000 for public works, nearly \$415,000 for buildings and grounds maintenance and almost \$459,000 for transfers to other city funds.

The general fund and the \$4.4 million water and sewer operating fund are the city's biggest, but Plymouth also has a \$1 million recreation fund, an \$830,000 Downtown Development Authority operating fund, a \$432,000 DDA capital

improvement fund and several bond funds used for infrastructure improvements, plus other, smaller funds. The budgets for all of those funds were approved with Monday's vote

Major revenue sources for the general-fund budget include property taxes (estimated at \$4.8 million), state shared revenue (nearly \$729,000) and fees for services (\$597,000).

The proposed city property tax rate for the next fiscal year is 16.0134 mills, or just over \$16 for every \$1,000 of a property's taxable value. The proposed rate is up two-hundredths of a mill due to debt service requirements on voter-approved bonds for the city's street improvement program.

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Saturday fundraiser aims at childhood cancer awareness

BY BRAD KADRICH OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

During a trip last fall to St. Jude Children's Research Center in Memphis, Tenn., Linda McMaster noticed all of the pink people were wearing for breast cancer awareness

She considered how widespread the knowledge is that "pink" connects with breast cancer, and then a realization dawned on her. No one, she realized, knew that children's cancer had its own "month" (September) and "color" (gold). That's why "BLAST," the children's cancer research fundraiser she founded last year and which comes up Saturday for the second straight year, will have a slightly different feel.

Prompted by — and dedicated to — her 6-year-old daughter, Lisa, who suffers from neuroblastoma, BLAST seeks to raise money to fight children's cancer in general (and neuroblastoma in particular). Last year's event raised some \$21,000; McMaster



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Lisa McMaster has battled neuroblastoma for nearly half of her 6-year-old life.

hopes to do better Saturday with the noon to 6 p.m. event at Mettetal Airport in Canton.

LESSON LEARNED

"Everybody knows breast cancer is pink; no one knows the color for childhood cancer," Linda McMaster said.
"This year I'm just trying to raise more awareness of childhood cancer."

RAISING MONEY

What: BLAST neuroblastoma fundraiser

When: Noon to 6 p.m. Saturday, June 11

Where: Mettetal Airport, Joy and Lilley in Canton

Why: To raise money to fight neuroblastoma and raise awareness of other childhood cancers Highlights: Animal expert Mark Rosenthal will be there, along with other activities, games, raffles, auctions, etc.
How much: \$5 wrist band for the day; food and other refreshments for sale

Lisa has waged a three-year battle with neuroblastoma, a cancerous tumor that begins in nerve tissue of infants and very young children. Lisa was diagnosed with the cancer, which affects roughly 600 children a year in the United States, at age 3.

Lisa came to Linda and Michael McMaster in September 2004, joining siblings Tommy and Christina, who had come a month earlier, as the couple's foster children (the couple also has a daughter of their own, Maranda). In March 2008, Lisa began having back pain. She was limping and having trouble navigating stairs. After consulting doctors - including a chiropractor - the McMasters had tests done and were delivered the devastating diagnosis. Lisa has been treated at Mott Children's Hospital ever since, where she has developed friendships with doctors, nurses, other patients and pretty much anyone else she's come in contact with.

It's why Mott Children's Hospital is the primary beneficiary of the BLAST fundraiser (along with Rainbow Connection and several other charities). All of the proceeds from the fundraiser will go toward research.

BLAST will be scaled down in some respects this year. There won't be the dinner option, although chef John Cortez, who cooks for a group called Chefs for Cancer, will

The Price of

going

again provide food to be available throughout the day.

THINGS TO DO

There will be no motorcycle ride as there was last year, and there won't be a continuous parade of bands to the stage to provide entertainment. But there will be:

• Princesses, although McMaster isn't sure which ones.

• Therapaws of Michigan Inc., a canine-assisted therapy program dedicated to promoting and fostering the humananimal bond in therapeutic and educational settings.

• A FLASHMOB on Saturday during BLAST! A spontaneous secret dance show will appear out of the crowd sometime in the after-

• Karaoke from noon to 2 p.m.

• Renowned biologist and magician Mark Rosenthal's 2 p.m. Animal Magic performance combines a unique blend of humor, illusion and exotic wildlife. The line between education and enter-

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tainment is blurred as audiences meet some of the most fascinating members of the animal kingdom.

• The Schlepers at 4 p.m.
Marie and Cecilia will perform
down-home music on a variety
of instruments.

Lisa's godfather, Matt Holowicki, even built a sort of dunk tank. It's just one of the many ways Holowicki has been involved. Why?

"Have you met (Lisa)?
That's all the reason I need,"
Holowicki said. "She's my goddaughter and I love her. We
want a cure, not just for Lisa,
but for all cancers."
The cure can't come too.

The cure can't come too soon. Of the 11 children diagnosed around the same time Lisa was, only Lisa and one other "are still fighting," Linda McMaster said.

"Considering the kind of disease she has, she's doing as well as you could expect," Linda McMaster said. "Still, even though you're making progress, you don't think too far ahead."

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CRIME WATCH

Pot bust

A 21-year-old Howell woman was arrested on charges of possessing marijuana and drug paraphernalia following a traffic stop in Plymouth Township Friday night.

Police said marijuana, marijuana pipes and rolling papers were found in the car she was driving.

The woman, in a Lincoln Zephyr, had made a prohibited right turn on a red light at eastbound Ann Arbor Road and the northbound I-275 exit ramp, according to a Plymouth Township Police Department report. A patrolling officer stopped her on Ann Arbor Road near Tavistock Street, police said.

The officer smelled marijuana upon speaking to the woman, police said, but she denied having any in the car. A search of the Zephyr, after a drug-sniffing dog was brought in, turned up suspected marijuana as well as three pipes and rolling papers, police said.

The suspected marijuana, some 15.3 grams, later tested positive for marijuana, police said.

Vehicle burglaries

• Two navigation systems were reported stolen Friday from a Chevrolet Silverado as it sat in the driveway of a house on Red Maple Drive, in the area of Ann Arbor Road and Ridge Road.

The pickup truck had been left unlocked, police said. The burglary occurred between 9 p.m. on June 2 and 6:30 a.m. Friday.

• A laptop computer was reported stolen last month from a car parked in a lot on Schoolcraft

The burglary occurred between 4 p.m. and 10 p.m. on May 23, a police report said. It was unclear wether the Nissan had been locked, but police said there were no signs of forced entry.

An air-conditioning unit was reported stolen Friday from Sheldon Veterinary Hospital, on Sheldon Road south of Ann Arbor Road.

The unit had last been seen shortly before 5 p.m. on June 2, and it was discovered that it was missing at about 8 a.m. Friday, a police report said.

Vandalism

The liner on a backyard swimming pool liner was vandalized last week at a house on Rockledge Drive, south of Ann Arbor Road between Beck and Sheldon.

The complainant told police she took the cover off the pool Friday evening, and that the pool had water in it. The next morning, she said, the water had nearly all drained, and a wooden-handled steak knife was at the bottom

Upon closer inspection, she said, she noticed a small cut in the pool liner.

- By Matt Jachman

Man pleads guilty to bar assault, faces prison

BY MATT JACHMAN OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A 49-year-old Canadian man could face a prison term beginning Friday, when he is to be sentenced on a felony charge that resulted from a January attack, at a downtown Plymouth bar, that left a Canton Township man disfigured.

John A. Andrews, of Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario, pleaded guilty in April to the charge of assault with intent to maim and is to be sentenced Friday in Wayne County Circuit Court by Judge Margie Braxton.



Andrews

28, biting off part of his left ear.

The bitten piece of ear was not located, police said. The victim was treated at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital and released.

Police say the attack by Andrews came as the victim confronted him and male

Police said friends about their repeated Andrews was harassment of the victim and drunk when he members of his party. Andrews attacked the and his friends had been 54-year-old throwing things such as napvictim at Sean kins, coasters and a lemon peel O'Callaghan's at the other party, police said, and a complaint had already shortly after been made to bar employees. 11 p.m. on Jan.

Employees grabbed Andrews after the attack and held him for police. His blood-alcohol content later tested at more than twice the limit at which one cannot legally drive, police said. He was released on a \$15,000 bond after three nights in jail.

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Canton men charged in R.O. shooting

BY STEVE KOWALSKI **ECCENTRIC STAFF WRITER**

One man has been charged with assault with intent to murder, and another with felonious assault, after Royal Oak and Pleasant Ridge police arrested them Friday night during a traffic stop for their alleged roles in a shooting at an apartment complex near 13 Mile and Woodward.

Maxwell Lomax Brack, 19. and Jermaine Hakeem Davis, 20, both from Canton, are scheduled to appear before Judge Terrence Brennan for a 9 a.m. June 10 pre-exam conference at 44th District Court in Royal Oak, according to a court spokeswoman.

Each defendant was charged with two felonies at their arraignments June 5 before Magistrate Judith Holtz at 52-1 District Court in Novi, which handled the weekend court proceedings, according to a spokeswoman at 44th District Court in Royal Oak

Brack was charged with assault with intent to murder and possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony, the court spokeswoman said.



Davis

Brack Davis was charged with assault with a dangerous weapon, felonious assault, and possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony, according to the court spokes-

woman. A not guilty plea was entered for each defendant on all of the charges, the court spokeswoman said.

Royal Oak Police determined that nobody was injured as a result of the alleged shooting at the Woodward North Apartments, 3015 Woodward, according to the police report.

At 10:05 p.m. June 3, the Royal Oak Police Department responded to the apartment complex on 13 Mile, one block east of Woodward, where several 911 calls originated, reporting a fight and gunshots fired, according to a police

The initial investigation determined that two male suspects who were visiting a resident got into an argument with another resident, the report said.

The two suspects retrieved handguns from their vehicle and one of them fired a shot at the resident, according to the

The suspects fled the scene as the victim retreated into his apartment, the report said.

The suspects' vehicle description was dispatched to nearby police agencies, and the apartment complex was canvassed by Royal Oak Police to see if there were other victims, according to the report. The suspects' vehicle was located near I-696 and Woodward, where Royal Oak and Pleasant Ridge patrol officers initiated a traffic stop and arrested the suspects, the report said. Two handguns were recovered, according to the report.

Brack's bond was set at \$500,000, cash-surety, according to the 44th District Court spokeswoman. Davis is being held on \$250,000 bond, the spokeswoman said.

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BY DARRELL CLEM **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

A Canton man accused of stealing GPS units from unlocked cars was arraigned Sunday on criminal charges after police captured him fleeing the neighborhood where the thefts occurred, police Sgt. Mark Gajeski said.

Nicholas Anderson Pesant, 23, could face penalties ranging up to five years in prison if



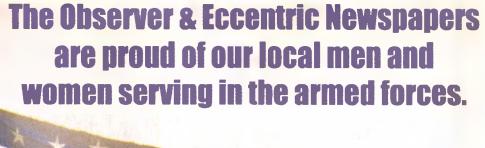
Pesant was jailed Monday afternoon with a \$5,000 bond as he awaits a June 17 preliminary examination in 35th

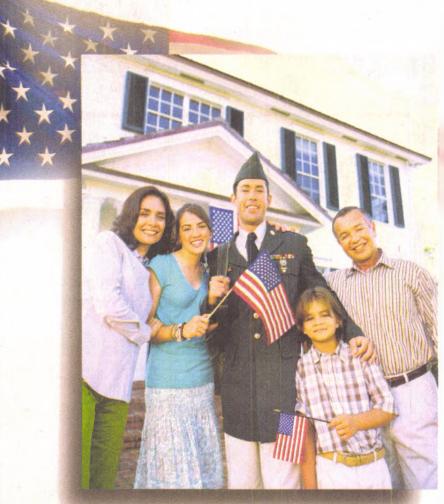
District Court to determine if he should stand trial in Wayne County Circuit Court.

Pesant has been accused of two incidents that Gajeski said occurred about 3:30 a.m. Saturday in the 46000 block of Overhill Lane, northeast of Geddes and Beck roads.

"Both of these cars were unlocked," Gajeski said. "Always be sure to lock your car."

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Canton festival features Verdi singers DISTRICT

Talented International Festival performers will fill the grounds of Canton's Liberty Fest with sights and sounds from around the globe Saturday, June 18, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. from the Canton Live! Stage.

One of the many featured performances slated to take place during the International Festival is a special presentation by three sopranos from the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan. Alexandria Clark, Corinthia Sims, and Amanda Walker are set to perform on stage starting at 1:30 p.m.

Clark is a graduate student of the University of Michigan's School of Music, where she was a standout in many roles of the school's opera productions. A recipient of Young Artist and Arts Award in voice, and a finalist twice in the annual Verdi Opera's Italian Songs and Arias Vocal Competition, she also received The Verdi Opera Prize, which aided continuation of her studies in Italy.

Sims, a graduate of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. High School in Detroit, started out singing Gospel music in church and extended her studies to include opera and contemporary music. Her love of singing and impressive talent were demonstrated in January 2011 when she won First Prize in the George Shirley African American Art Song and Operatic Aria Competition.

Walker's passion for singing began in her childhood and was nurtured by participation in programs such as Michigan Opera Theatre Children Chorus, community choirs, vocal arts programs at Interlochen. Walker's on stage experience includes solo and ensemble performances at the state level and beyond, including a First Place win at the National Association of Teachers of Singing Competition. As a student



Alexandria Clark performs during the International Festival at next week's Canton Liberty Festival.

at Rochester High School, Walker was chosen as one of the ten finalists in the 2011 Verdi Opera vocal competition.

The Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan, founded in 1988 and based in Canton, is a nonprofit organization dedicated to encouraging and supporting the development of young opera singers, and to foster

appreciation of the music of Giuseppe Verdi and other composers of opera and popular music for the theater.

For more detailed information about this year's International Festival and all things related to Canton's Liberty Fest, visit www.cantonlibertyfest.com or call (734) 394-5460.

Youth volunteers will meet each day at First United Methodist Church on N. Territorial and the YMCA will provide transportation to and from all service projects. The program runs from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Volunteers must be able to commit to an entire

tact the YMCA office (734) detroit.org.

students from any district within Wayne RESA, or opening to students not only from Wayne RESA, but also from intermediate school districts contiguous to Wayne RESA (the only one is Washtenaw). The low numbers in Northville prompted concern from board Vice President Dianne Gonzalez, the only "nay" vote

"I'm a little concerned about going employee-only," she said. The other six trustees voted in favor of it.

"I think it's a good first option," Trustee Barry Simescu said. "We can always do (Wayne RESA) next year."

Trustee Steven Sneideman, while urging administrators to be conservative in their

estimates about the budget impact, said he felt the schools of choice option was a benefit to employees.

"I really think it's a value to our employees and to the district," Sneideman said. "I consider the employees part of our community. They work here, they spend a good part of their day here, whether they live here or not.'

The other concern, according to Hughes, is the possibility of bringing in students with special education needs, traditionally more expensive students. Hughes said if the district opens to only Wayne RESA students, RESA would reimburse any additional expense brought on by the spe-

cial education requirements. Such reimbursement won't exist for students brought in from outside Wayne RESA.

other benchmark districts -Livonia, Chelsea, Van Buren, Birmingham and Northville - reported little impact in that regard. In both Van Buren and Northville, he said, only one special needs student enrolled; in Birmingham, 13 of 72 employee children who enrolled had special education

Plymouth-Canton officials said if such a case occurred, the district could incur expenses ranging from an estimated \$35,000 to \$50,000.

"It seemed clear to us the board could consider schools of choice for employees only, acknowledging there's a risk we could draw special needs students," Hughes said. "Given that as a risk factor, we recommend the board approve it for the 2011-12 school year."

However, Hughes pointed out, bkadrich@hometownlife.com | (313) 222-8899



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

The Saline Fiddlers play the Music in the Park series in Kellogg Park July 13.

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people. Summer babysitters and grandparents watching their grandchildren for the day often make the shows a Wednesday destination for themselves and their charges, Madonna said.

People who attended the concerts as children now bring their own children to them.

"I hear that all the time," she said. "Sometimes kids who are in high school or college will walk by" and tell her how much they enjoyed the shows as kids, she added.

New this year, on July 6, will be Musica Batteria, a percussion duo made up of Lynn Koch and Kristen Tait. (Koch and Tait have played a Wednesday concert as part of a different group, Madonna said.) Returning will be the folk duo Gemini (July 20), Mr. Seley & the Troublemakers

(Aug. 3), and Beverly Meyer, known as "The Music Lady" (Aug. 24).

Sponsors of the series are Chair-iot, the Cupcake Station, Genuine Toy Co., Huron Valley Ambulance, Monroe Bank & Trust, Plymouth Montessori School and the Plymouth Rotary A.M.

Madonna said new sponsors are always needed; for sponsorship information, call the PCAC at (734) 416-4278.

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Program offers summer opportunity for students

The Plymouth YMCA offers "Summer Of Service," a unique volunteer program open to all students entering seventh through 12th grades.

In the program, students and team leaders spend the summer volunteering throughout Plymouth-Canton and the surrounding communities. The program offers a wide variety of experiences to its participants, including projects dealing with community, hunger and homelessness and environment.

"Summer Of Service is a meaningful, fun and satisfying way to spend a few weeks during the summer," said Lindsay Lagios, Community Program Director. "It is also a great way to make new friends, help others and gain volunteer hours for high school or college."

Most importantly, Lagios said, youth gain the satisfaction of "knowing they are valued within the community and their actions make a positive difference in the lives of others.'

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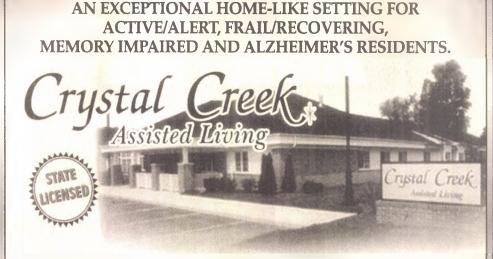
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Electric Avenue: Vehicles, new technology roll onto Schoolcraft College campus

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Brad Jensen watched as the price at the pump edged over

\$4 a gallon. That was it, he thought. Time

for a change. So three years ago, Jensen decided to buy a 1998 Ford Ranger electric vehicle (EV). Today he drives it to his job as an instructor at Macomb Community College from his home in Plymouth.

'When the gas prices go up, there is never an explanation as to why," Jensen said. "I've never heard an explanation that I believe. Now we're seeing the same thing again.

"It just really bothers me. When the price of milk goes up, you can drink something else, or if the price of cheese goes up, you don't eat it. When gas goes up, you just don't have other possibilities."

Now, with gas pushing past the \$4 a gallon mark once again, area residents may show more than just a passing interest in the third annual Electric Vehicle Show, June 11 at Schoolcraft College.

More than 60 electric vehicles will be displayed. At a Ride and Drive event, organizers say members of the public can take test rides and drives in a variety of EVs on campus. At 11 a.m., state Sen. Glenn Anderson, D-Westland, will lead a "Parade of EVs" around the campus and autocross course, in a made-in-Michigan Chevy Volt.

A panel will answer questions at 1 p.m. about EV technology and infrastructure, EV ownership and driving experience and EV economic and environmental impact.

Twenty EVs will compete in the Solo Autocross at 2:30 p.m. Awards will be presented in a ceremony at 4 p.m. for the Autocross and for EVs in several categories.

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drive them," said Larry Tuttle, president of the Michigan Electric Auto Association, which is presenting the show with Schoolcraft College, which now has four electric chargers on its campus in Livonia, and the Clean Energy Coalition.

Tuttle said consumers have heard and read much about the Chevy Volt and Nissan Leaf, but the fair displays all kinds of electric vehicles besides those two brands. "We just like our EVs and we want to share our experiences," Tuttle said.

Tuttle, who owns an EV converted pickup truck, said he is in the market for a Chevy Volt. Four or five of the MEAA's members already own Volts, he said. "They are competing to see who can go the longest without buying gas," Tuttle said.

Electric vehicles make sense for commuters who drive about 40 miles to work and have a charger available at their place of employment, Tuttle said.

They have to be parked for several hours at least," Tuttle said, which works overnight at home or an evening out where the vehicle remains parked at a

charging station. Jensen, the development director of the MEAA, said the show evolved from Green Fairs



at which the group could only display two or three cars at a time. "We thought, 'Wouldn't it be nice if we had our own car show?" Jensen said.

Jensen bought his Ford Ranger EV along with two other Ranger EVs at an auction from the University of Michigan. The auction was actually conducted by sealed bids, and each of Jensen's bids, one on each truck, was accepted by the university. He kept one truck and sold the other

The trucks were built by Ford as part of a two-pronged approach in dealing with zeroemission policies of California. Jensen said. Ford and the other automakers fought the state's environmental provisions and won. Prior to that legal victory, Ford had started to build the Rangers, then after emerging from court victorious, the company later bought them back and crushed them, Jensen said. "Mine belonged to U-M, and it was sold to me at an auction," Jensen said.

Jensen also purchased three Citicars from two Michigan residents, and kept one of the vehicles built in 1975. He refur-

Larry Tuttle stands outside his 1994 Chevy S-10 converted electric vehicle, while his wife, Karen, sits behind the wheel.

bished that one and sold the

Jensen uses his truck to drive to and from work, but when he needs a short trip to the store or to downtown Plymouth, he takes his Citicar. That vehicle only travels at 30 mph and the brakes and suspension are not built for long distances, Jensen said. "It gets a lot of attention," Jensen said. "I can't tell if people are laughing at me or with

me when I drive it."

TECHNOLOGY NEEDS MORE CHANGE

Jensen said EVs still have hurdles to clear before the masses accept them, in terms of their costs and availability of charging stations.

"They are fun to drive," Jensen said. "You get that EV grin, that grin when you realize how powerful they are and how quiet they are. You can imagine the potential impact if everyone was driving them, how much nicer it would be to live near an expressway or even a parking

Still there are drawbacks with the relatively new battery technology. "The price has to come down and the range has to go up," Jensen said. "The battery care has to be easier and they have to last longer."

That range is improving, he said. Jensen expects that show visitors will enjoy the Tesla, which can travel 200 miles on a charge.

Jensen doesn't own all electric vehicles. His wife owns a Geo Prism for her work commute. He expects that gas vehicles aren't going away.

"Many people will be looking at these (EVs) as a second vehicle," Jensen said.

That may fit well with those who visit the show. "We're just trying to reach those who want to buy electric cars, who want to know what it's like to own one and drive one," Jensen

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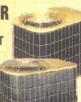
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Charter chief ready for 'high-energy' challenge

BY BRAD KADRICH OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Jennifer Cook has spent the last year as a "principal in res-

idence," basically interning at Canton Charter Academy in Canton while learning the administrative ropes of the National Heritage



Academies system. Now Cook, 32, is ready for the big chair.

Cook, an Ann Arbor native who earned a bachelors degree in psychology and Spanish at Alma College, has been named the principal at the new South Canton Scholars Charter Academy in Canton, a charter school set to open in September for grades K-5 (the board was scheduled to act on a proposal to make it a K-6 school Wednesday). The school will also offer a "young fives" program for students not quite ready for kindergar-

"There's been so much excitement around this," said Cook, whose last principal job was at Holland's Waukazoo Elementary School. "We're focused on building an incredible staff, and once that's done, (the challenge) is going to be getting to know our students as quickly as possible and meeting their needs every step of the way.'

It could be a lot of students. South Canton Scholars figures to open with with more than 500 students (closer to 600 if the board approves the sixth-grade addition). School officials received more than 1,300 applications, which will be sifted at random to admit the school's first classes of students.

Cook said the school, situated within the boundaries of

the Wayne-Westland school district, will likely draw students from Wayne-Westland and Plymouth-Canton, as well as from around the area. She said the Canton Center site was chosen "because the demand is here.'

The other two schools (Canton Charter Academy and Achieve Academy) have a large number of applications," Cook said. "We've spread the word through the other two schools, and we've done mailings to both (Wayne-Westland and Plymouth-Canton) areas."

And she thinks the demand is there because people are buying into the NHA philosophy, which she said centers around "service to students."

"Everything we do revolves around the learner, and what's best for the students," said Cook, who also earned a masters of education in curriculum design from National Louis University in Chicago. "We work hard with parents to make sure that connection (school-to-students-to-parents) is well known."

While she does have a teaching background, Cook said being an adminitrator has more pull for her now because she believes she can help her colleagues, and impact more students, from the leadership post.

"I'm able to affect more children this way," Cook said. "And I'm able to support my colleagues better in this capacity.

For now, she's busy building the relationships she feels will be necessary to help South Canton Scholars succeed once it opens its doors in September.

There's a lot to do ... relationships to build with students, with parents, which is its own dynamic," Cook said. "It's very high-energy, and I'm a high-energy person."

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NorthRidge Church works to feed the hungry

ly planted its Community Garden with hopes of providing more than 15,000 pounds of fresh vegetables to area food pantries and soup kitchens this summer and fall.

The church expects more than 300 volunteers to work in the 21,000 square foot garden with the project being overseen by a pair of master gardeners and engineers. According to NorthRidge Senior Pastor Brad Powell, the Community Garden is a part of the church's overall effort to help people at their point of need and touch their lives in a tangible way.

"Jesus had compassion for the poor and the hungry and he wants His church to do the same," Powell said. "Our response to His generosity is to reach out to help those that are disadvantaged and unable to help themselves."

The Community Garden is in its fourth year. The garden's

NorthRidge Church recent- yield has grown steadily from 14 and 21, NorthRidge held its small church in Laredo, Texas more than 3,000 pounds of produce in its first year to just under 12,000 pounds in 2010.

> "It's a high a bar, but we think we can beat last year's yield," Powell said. "One of the strengths of the Community Garden is the participation of entire families. It's a project that everyone can help with."

Volunteers began prepping the garden in early May with planting dates on May 31, June 2 and June 7. Maintenance will follow every Tuesday and Thursday evening with harvesting beginning in mid-July and continuing through mid October. Detroit-based Gleaner's Food Bank visits NorthRidge twice a week for pickups after harvesting begins.

The Community Garden is only one of the church's efforts to help give back and minister to the community

and those in need. Over the weekends of May

annual Food Drive and collected 28,000 pounds canned and other goods. NorthRidge members brought the food and left it bagged adjacent to their vehicles over the two weekends.

Approximately 200 volunteers helped collect the food and pack it into 711 boxes. The food was donated to five locations; Salvation Army of Plymouth, Lighthouse Home Mission in Westland, the Detroit City Mission, Love Inc. of Brighton and the Hope Clinic of Ann Arbor.

In February, NorthRidge Church worked with Feed My Starving Children to pack more than one million meals to benefit kids in Haiti, Guatemala and Somalia. About 5,000 volunteers helped pack the meals and people gave more than was needed to cover the cost of the million meals. The extra from Howell and Ann Arborthe event was used to help a

pack over 200,000 meals that will be used to serve the poor in Mexico. All of this is evidence of the growing generosity of NorthRidge's attenders, Powell said.

"We are a church that cares," the senior pastor added. "While I am proud of our NorthRidge family, our mission isn't to glorify ourselves, it's to glorify Christ; we most visibly evidence that love by showing compassion and care for those in need."

NorthRidge Church is a non-denominational ministry that serves approximately 20,000 southeastern Michigan residents. Senior Pastor Brad Powell has led the congregation for the past 20 years. NorthRidge offers six services each weekend; four at the Plymouth location and one at each of their satellite locations in Brighton-

Glenn, WM vie for votes in online video contest

John Glenn and Wayne Memorial High Schools are hoping fans on online videos will take a look at the ones they have posted on Big Lots' Lots2Give website — www.biglots.com/lots2give.

The two Wayne-Westland high schools are competing for online votes for their videos to win a grand prize of a \$20,000 cash award from Big Lots. Wayne Memorial's entry is for the music program, while John Glenn has submitted an entry for its Positive Behavior Program.

At Wayne Memorial, the money would be used to buy new band uniforms, storage space, risers for the choir and things. The message in the video is that the music program is actually the "Zebra music family." The family "fulfills so many of our students' needs that it really is the pride of



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Wayne Memorial High School," and the program has grown during the past year and the school is having a hard time serving all of the students who

want to be part of the programs. At John Glenn, the video pitch is for money to continue

videos on proper behavior in the hallways, bathrooms, classrooms, on buses and at activities. The videos have proved popular with students and help

> promote PBS. Voting can be done online at www.biglots.com/lots2give. The voting period is now through July 4. Winning schools will share \$100,000 in cash prizes, which include 30 \$2,000 second-place prizes, four \$5,000 first-place prizes and the

\$20,000 grand prize.

grant, and the school may not

be able to support it next year.

The video features Jacob

Toarmina, who used his film-

making skills to produce short

Participating schools will also be the recipients of an in-store donation program at Big Lots stores in the metropolitan area. People can help by donating \$1 or \$5 at participating Big Lots stores through July 4. All donations will go to participating schools.

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IT'S YOUR BUSINESS Q&A

Eatery keeping sandwiches 'Simple'

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

Simple Sandwich: We offer 35 sandwiches, we deliver and do catering from office to home, birthday parties and football games.

Observer: How did you first decide to open your business?

Simple Sandwich: I was getting out of advertising and really liked the creative aspect of food.

Observer: Why did you choose Plymouth?

Simple Sandwich: Plymouth is unique, with great people, a great location and great potential.

Observer: What makes your business unique?

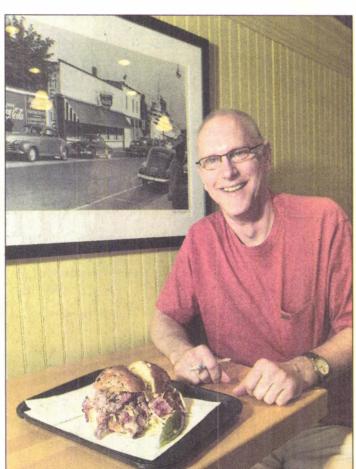
Simple Sandwich: We offer a wide range of sandwiches from corned beef reubens to vegetarian roll-ups. We cook our own corned beef, make most of our condiments from scratch. We avoid using pre-made products. I like to know what I'm eating and I think the customers do, too. We bake our bread fresh every day and our brownies and cookies, also made from scratch, are fantastic. I think we offer products that are of a higher quality ingredients, and the customers seem to

Observer: How has it changed since it opened?

Simple Sandwich: The concept is still the same. What has changed is what we learn from our customers. They will tell you what they want. Observer: Do you have a funny tidbit to share with other business owners?

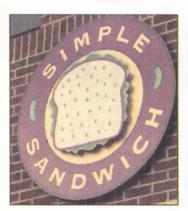
Simple Sandwich: We will make any sandwich the customer wants, but by far the funniest one was a peanut butter and turkey? Go figure. Observer: How has the recent

economy affected your business? Simple Sandwich: We could not have opened at a worse time in 2008. I think things are improving. Any business is



PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Doug Nork and staff make great sandwiches and salads at Simple Sandwich. This one is a 'Moe, Larry and Curly,' made with Sy Ginsberg's pastrami, swiss cheese, home-made cole slaw and Russian dressing on an onion roll.



The Simple Sandwich, on Forest Avenue, in downtown Plymouth, opened in October 2008.

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

Simple Sandwich: We're adding a website, keep improving our customer

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service and products and keep doing the little things.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Realty open house

Van Esley Real Estate hosts an open house 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, June 11, at Canton Township Hall to talk about applications for purchasing homes rehabilitated under the Neighborhood Stabilization Program.

NSP was created as part of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act and designed to combat the nation's home abandonment and foreclosure crisis. Since 2008, according to Van Esley officials, Canton has funded the purchase and rehabilitation of 13 such homes, four of which are been completed and are available to be sold to income-eligible buyers.

To qualify, an NSP buyer must qualify as low, moderate or middle income households At least 25 percent of Canton's NSP funds must be used for properties to house individuals or families whose incomes do not exceed 50 percent of the area median income (\$33,200 for a family of four). The remaining 75 percent, according to Van Esley, must be used for individuals/families whose incomes do not exceed 120 percent of the median income (\$79,680 for a family of four).

All potential buyers are invited to attend the open house. Canton Township Hall is located at 1150 S. Canton Center. For more information, call Van Esley Real Estate at (734) 459-7570.

Computer classes

Forest Computer Solutions is sponsoring Cookies & Computers, computer classes for seniors 55 and older:

- June 15 at 10 a.m. is websites, coupons and
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Music in the Air

The "Music in the Air" concert series Friday at 7 p.m. with Motor City Soul on the Kellogg

The series host, the Plymouth DDA, thanked sponsors Dairy King, Genuine Toy Co., Ironwood Grill, Hines Park Lincoln, Delta Diamond, Main St. Auto Wash, Colonial Collision, Compari's/Fiamma, Bank of Ann Arbor, UBS, Community Financial, Penn Grill. Huron Valley Ambulance, Plymouth First United Methodist Church and Wade Trim.

In case of inclement weather, look for updated information on the web at www.downtownplymouth.org and on Facebook at www.facebook.com/plymouthdda.

Back to scratch

The Cupcake Station has entered a "Get Back to Scratch" contest, which lets friends, fans and customers vote for its signature item. You are able to vote daily to help the Cupcake Station win a new mixer for its Head Pastry Chef.

Cupcake Station is offering "BOGO FREE" cupcake for each time you vote and bring in your "Thanks for Voting" page at any location. (Limit one Free Cupcake per vote, per day). The contest ends Aug. 21, at 11:59 p.m. Winners will be announced on Sept. 6. Please go to the following link to vote for our Signature Item: http://www. getbacktoscratch.com/directory/profile/?id=214

Characters rescheduled

The Plymouth Characters at Kellogg Park Walk that was scheduled for Saturday, June 4, has been postponed until later in the summer. That date seemed to be popular for graduations, graduation parties and weddings, so museum officials will regroup and determine a new date.

Test taking

With private schools becoming increasingly selective, admission tests have taken on the importance and anxiety of college entrance exams. Students seeking entry to private or parochial schools may be asked to take the Secondary School Admission Test or the Independent School Entrance Exam.

The SSAT is used by more than 500 member schools of the Secondary School Admissions Test Board and the ISEE is used by member schools of the Independent Schools Association. Each of these tests is designed to evaluate a student's academic aptitude and ability, and are typically an important component of the admissions process.

Huntington Learning Center in Canton is now offering one-to-one prep programs for students taking the SSAT or ISEE.

"Our program features an intensive diagnostic evaluation and a personalized program of oneto-one instruction," said Wie Pan, operator of Huntington Learning Center in Canton. "SAT and ACT college exam preparation has always been an important part of our full-service instructional program. Now we are pleased to add exam prep for private schools to that program. We are constantly looking for ways to meet the needs of parents and children in the communities we serve. And as competition for admission to selective schools becomes more challenging, parents can look to Huntington Learning Center to give their children an Educational Edge."

For more information on the SSAT or ISEE exams, please contact Wie Pan at (734) 207-7930.

Northville woman named president of Detroit Media Partnership

Joyce Jenereaux of Northville was named president, the top executive position, of Detroit Media Partnership. The announcement was made Tuesday by David Hunke, president and publisher of USA Today.

"Joyce is an exceptional leader who played a significant role in the industry-leading changes we made in the Detroit market," said Hunke. "She has great instincts and the courage to pursue new directions that have resulted in building better products for our customers."

The Detroit Media Partnership manages all business functions for The Detroit News, Detroit Free Press, the Observer & Eccentric and Hometown Newspapers and the Livingston Daily Press & Argus. Jenereaux most recently



Jenereaux

served as executive vice president of Detroit Media Partnership and succeeds Susie Ellwood, who recently was named executive vice

president and general manager at USA TODAY.

"Joyce has more than 20 years of experience leading and guiding this company, said Hunke. "She's a native Detroiter and the right person for this job. Joyce played an integral role shaping strategy and outlining a plan for the future. She will no doubt continue the tradition of innovative thinking that has become the norm for Detroit."

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USA TODAY, and Hunke was formerly CEO at Detroit.

Jenereaux, 57, joined Detroit Media Partnership in 1990 as a financial analyst. She has held various positions of increasing responsibility including financial reporting manager, assistant controller, controller, vice president and senior vice president of finance.

She is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University where she earned a bachelor's degree in business administration. She earned her CPA designation while a senior auditor at Deloitte & Touche. Jenereaux, a Detroit native, is active in the metro Detroit community, serving as a board member of Forgotten Harvest. She is also a threetime Gannett President's Ring winner.

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Grand opening

With the spring season finally here there will be a lot of yard work to do. The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce has several members in the landscaping business that can take care of that for you. Pictured here is owner Mike Tolinski at the grand opening of Art and Ideas, located at 15095 Northville Road, in Plymouth.

Theater hosts Middlestead exhibit

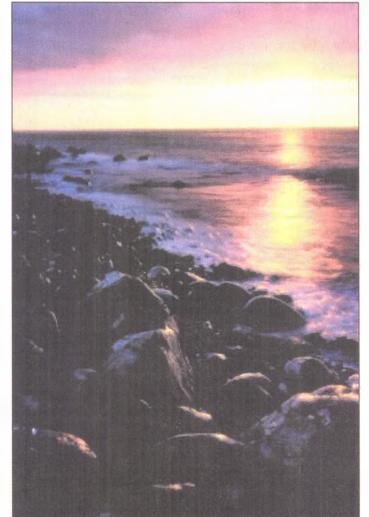
Fine art photography captured by the camera lens of John Middlestead will be on display at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill through June 28 in the Gallery@VT, located at 50400 Cherry Hill in Canton.

A self-proclaimed product of the 1960's idealism, Middlestead dreamed of becoming an Industrial Designer and pursued and received a Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) from Michigan State University. While at Michigan State, he took several freelance honors courses in photography from Roger Funk. His passions eventually compelled him to pursued additional "portfolio" Industrial Design course work at the Center For Creative Studies in Detroit.

"My primary focus and interest is currently limited edition landscape photography," Middlestead said. "I see so much beauty in God's creation that I am never without subject matter. One might say that I have 'stopped to smell the roses."

Forty framed works by this award-winning photographer entitled, "Calming the Soul ... One Image at a Time," are now on display at The Village Theater Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., as well as during public performances at the theater and also by appointment.

For more information about this latest exhibition in



The Village Theater at Cherry Hill hosts an exhibit by photographer John Middlestead through June 28.

the Gallery@VT, please call 734/394-5300 or visit canton-villagetheater.org. For addi-

tional information on the works of John Middlestead, visit www. johnmiddlestead.com.

Economy in rehabilitation, setbacks to be expected

ast week was a tough week on Wall Street. Markets reacted negatively to a variety of economic reports that showed the U.S. economy was slowing down. The economic report that most Americans were focusing on was the jobs

were focusing on report, which showed anemic job growth in the month of May. Once again, unemployment throughout the United States is now over 9 percent. That being said, it is always impor-

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tant to put ularly before the political pundits take over. All too often in today's partisan world, the talking heads on TV are not concerned with giving you true and honest information. All they want to do is put their personal spin on the topic at hand. I have no doubt that Democratic spin artists will point to the positives in this job report while the Republicans will highlight the negatives Personally, I don't have patience with either of them. What I have always attempted to do is give readers a clear, concise interpretation of what's happening, without the partisanship.

There is no doubt the May jobs report was disappointing. However, one month does not make a trend. February, March and April saw solid job growth. Therefore, to truly

know whether the economy has hit a soft patch or something more long term, we have to wait to see if there's a trend over the next few months. There is no doubt that bad weather, high gas prices and auto part shortages due to the tsunami in Japan, have affected our economic growth. Whether they will have a long-term impact is hard to say, but the economy is definitely not back to where it

was before the crisis. In understanding the economy and where it's at, a good analogy is to compare it to a severe car accident. In a severe car accident, the goal of the first responders is to do whatever is necessary to save the life and stabilize the patient. through a "severe accident" and the initial steps taken by the government focused on saving the economy. They weren't looking at long-term solutions to the financial crisis but they were looking at saving and stabilizing the economy, and that is exactly what happened.

Once the patient has been saved and stabilized, rehabilitation begins. Anyone who has been through rehabilitation knows that despite the improvements, there are occasional setbacks. The same can be said about our economy. The economy has stabilized and is in rehab phase. Similarly, the economy's rehabilitation is going to have setbacks along the way. In addition, what makes the rehabilitation of the economy even more challenging is the partisan political

environment.

Determining what stage of the rehab process the economy is in is difficult. In addition, I can't tell you, and neither can anyone else, how long this recent soft patch will continue. I do know, however, that investors always need to consider the consequences of any alternatives to investing money. For those who believe that leaving money in the bank or in U.S. treasuries is risk free, you're fooling yourself. We all know that as prices continue to rise, if you don't keep up with the increased cost of living and taxes, the purchasing power of your money will erode.

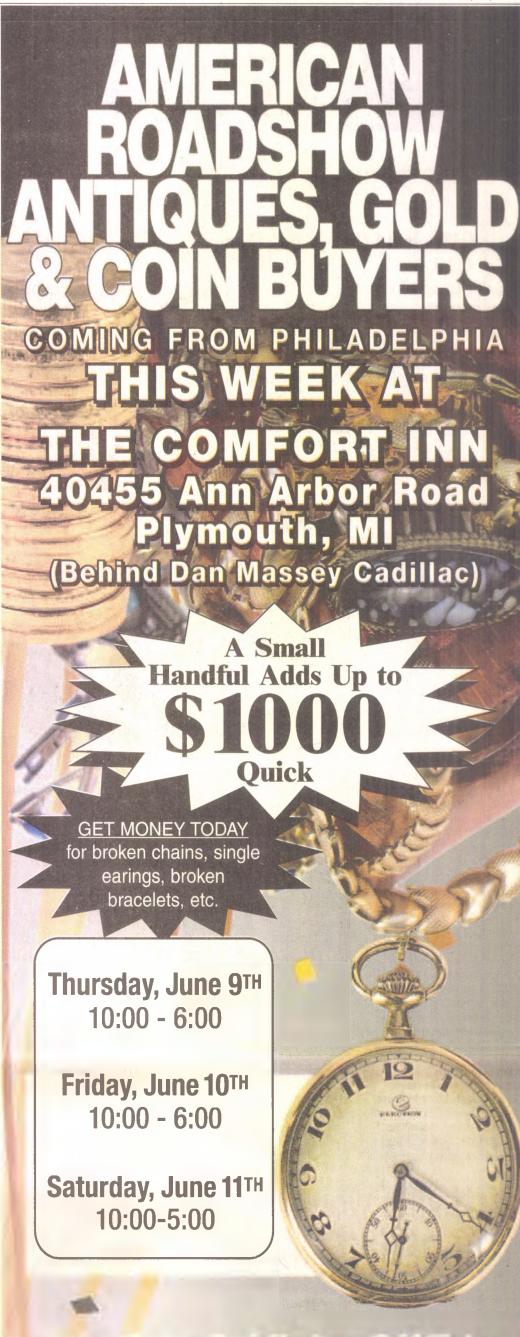
Being an investor is not easy. However, as time has shown in disciplined investors who focus on what they're trying to accomplish, without emotions, are the successful investors. On the other hand, investors who react to every market gyration find that in the long run, they're like the hamster running on the wheel. They've used a lot of energy but they didn't go anywhere. As investors, we can't afford to run in place, we must move forward. The only way to do that is to focus on what you're trying to accomplish, not the day-to-day gyrations of the market.

Good luck!

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. Observer & Eccentric readers can submit questions at moneymatters@hometownlife.com. For more information, visit his Web site at www.bloomassetmanagement.com.

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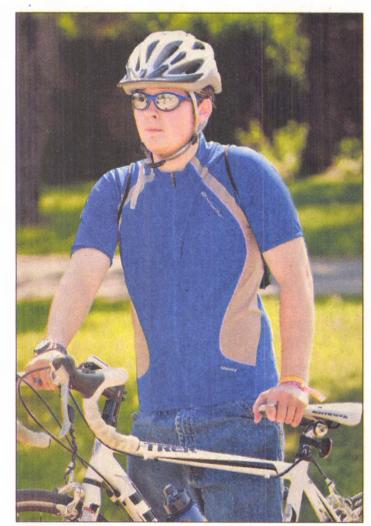
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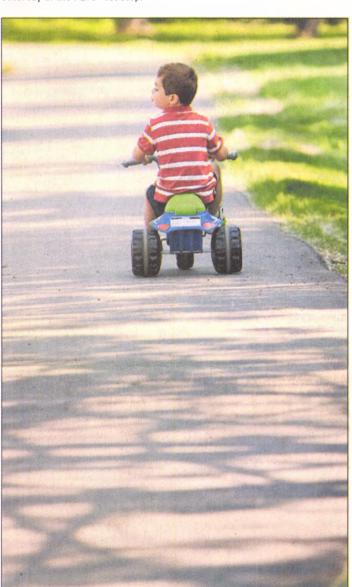
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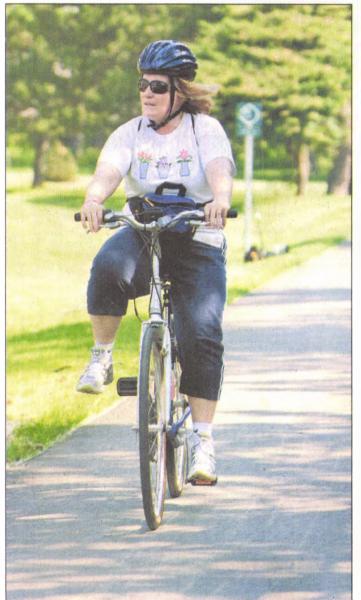


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Brad Macpherson from Westland getting ready to try out the new trail Saturday at the I-275 rest stop.



Four-year-old Sean Rettig, the son of Canton Chamber of Commerce President Tracey Rettig, found the trail to his liking.



Linda Gunnis of Canton bikes the metro trails a lot.

PHOTOS BY ANN ESPINOZA



Jasmine Aleo of Canton celebrates her birthday by building a bird house sponsored by OMI and the Western Townships Utilities Authority.



There was lots of cheering when the ribbon was cut on the refurbished Lower Rouge Recreation Trail Saturday.



Raptor specialist Francie Krawcki from the Leslie Science and Nature center shows off a Great Horned Owl to a crowd at the Lower Rouge River Trailhead located at Michigan Avenue and Morton Taylor.

Photo gallery chronicles 40 years of doing the derby



Each collection of photos spans the many years Conn has been going to the derby.

BY SUE MASON **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Forget the Preakness. Ditto the Belmont Stakes. For Larry Conn, there's only one race to see in person and that's the Kentucky Derby.

That doesn't mean he won't be watching the Belmont Stakes on Saturday. In fact, he may even pick a horse to cheer on, but it will all be done from home. It's only the Derby and Churchill Downs that gets him to a track to place one \$2 bet and to take hundreds of photographs of the celebrities who show up for the parties and the race.

The photographs fill the walls of his office at Garden City Middle School

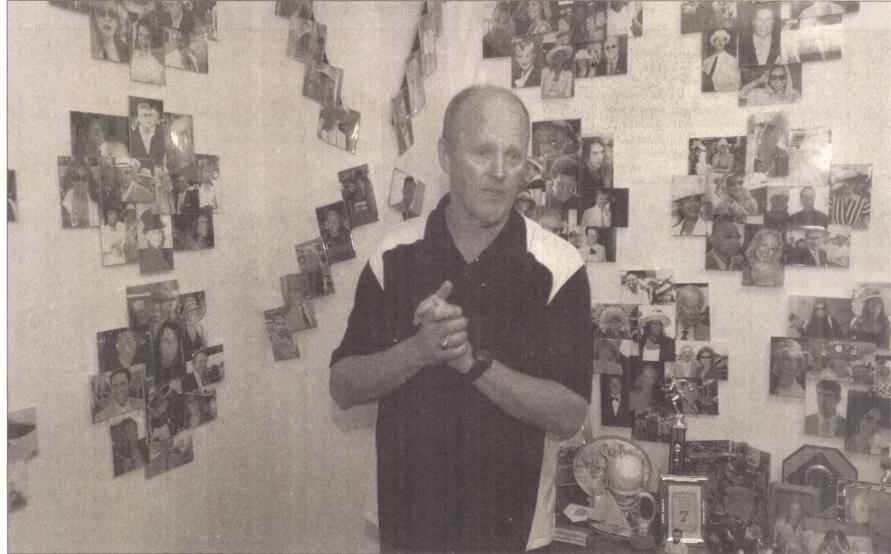
"I mix the photographs up in the frames, I feel old when I go back to 1971," said Conn. "I've been going since 1971. I've been going to the lunches and the parties. I was introduced to Lee Iacocca. He gave me a Chrysler lapel pin. I still have it in the box."

Conn was in the Army when he made his first trip to Louisville. Stationed at Fort Campbell, Ky., he had \$300 and was planning to come to Michigan for his wife's high school prom. A buddy suggested he go, and he did. With no hotel rooms available, he ended up spending the night in the bus station. He paid \$3 for a general admission ticket and placed a bet.

"I can't tell you who won the derby in 1971, but I can tell you who cam in second -Jimmy French," said Conn. "I had a \$2 bet on him to win. I loss my \$2

\$2 TO WIN

In fact, \$2 to win is the only bet he makes each year at the derby. In the 40 years he's been going, he's only won three times. His wife, who went with him once, picks a number from the field and



An assistant middle school principal, Larry Conn has filled three walls of his office with the celebrities he's met at the Kentucky Derby. The fourth wall is covered with a mural of a baseball game.

that's the one he plays. This year it was No. 5, Decisive Moment. The horse's finish wasn't decisive at all. It finished 14th out of 20 horses.

After his first trip to the derby, Conn putting his name on a waiting list in 1972 and it wasn't until 1978 that he got his seat in the grandstand at the quarter mile mark. It initially cost \$40, but now comes with a \$125 price tag.

Conn takes an estimated 500 pictures while in Louisville and the ones he displays in his photo gallery are the people he is interested in and has respect for, people like singer Judy Collins, Diller whom he enjoyed trading one-liners with and Joan Rivers - "She was nice to me." There's snapshots of Kid Rock, Alice Cooper, members of ZZ Top and even M.C. Hammer of musical fame and TV celebrities like Larry King, Bob Costas, Fran Drescher, Greg Grunberg, sports figures like Cal Ripkin Jr., Paul Hornung and Mohammed Ali and notables like Robert Kennedy Jr. - his all-time favorite photo - fourtime Kentucky Derby winner jockey Willie Shoemaker, former President George H. W. Bush, retired Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf Jr. and the late Anna Nicole Smith.

And it all started with a snapshot of Jimmy "The Greek" Snyder.

His ticket to the parties and his photo collection started with a chance meeting of the former mayor of Louisville, Jerry Abraham who asked if he was going to the Easter Seals party, one of many events during the Kentucky Derby Festival. He decided to go and got to meet actor John O'Hurley.

"And I got to dance with a Rockette, that was the highlight of my first party," Conn

His display, however, is lacking one year - 1985. That's when he forgot to take his camera. That's the year he got to meet a Hollywood legend.

'I got an autograph from Gregory Peck, I wish I had the photo," he said.

GETTING THERE

For 13-14 years, Conn went to the Derby on a Berkley Tours and Travel motor coach. His ability to get the bus where it needed to park landed him a following of 40 people who rode with him on the Larry Conn Coach. These his mobility and "you don't want to pull up to a party in a motor coach," he said.

"I have people call me all the time and I tell them what to see and do, so they can miss the pitfalls," he said. "I park in the same spot, I talk to the same people, I tip the same bellboys because I know what to expect. And I've been very successful at it."

Conn's connection to Kentucky goes beyond the "great" friendships he has made over the years. He was born there, in Pikesville, Ky. His parents moved to Michigan when he was two weeks old. He still has reladays he drive. The bus limited tives there and goes back for visits at least two-three times

"Southern hospitality is a live and well in Kentucky, especially the first weekend in May," he said. "I come home from a trip there and my face muscles are sore from all of the smiling and laughing. They're such wonderful people. And Churchill Downs is fantastic, it's just so nice."

As for the horse he'll pick for the Belmont Stakes, Conn said he'll probably stick with No. 5.

"Just say I picked a horse named Itchy and it got scratched," Conn said.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO REVIEW THE

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The purpose of this hearing is to review the proposed operating budgets, receive testimony, and comply with the formal legal requirements prior to adopting the 2011-2012 Operating Budgets.

Copies of the proposed 2011-2012 budgets are available for public inspection in the office of the Assistant Superintendent for Business Services at 454 S. Harvey Street, Plymouth, Michigan.

THE PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE RATE PROPOSED TO BE LEVIED TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED BUDGET WILL BE A SUBJECT OF THIS HEARING.

> Adrienne Davis, SECRETARY **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a sealed proposal to establish a contract through negotiations for custodial services for Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. Specifications for this Request for Proposal are available by contacting Jim Larson-Shidler in the PCCS Business Office at (734) 416-2740. The district will have a meeting at the E.J. McClendon Education Center, 454 S. Harvey St., Plymouth, MI on Monday, June 13, 2011 at 12:00 p.m. (noon) to answer questions for any interested Offerors. All proposals or other submissions in response to this RFP must be received by the District at E.J. McClendon Education Center, ATTN: Jim Larson-Shidler, Assistant Superintendent for Business, 454 S. Harvey St., Plymouth, MI 48170 no later than 12:00 p.m. (noon) Thursday, June 23, 2011. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all proposals, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

> **Board of Education** Plymouth-Canton Community Schools ADRIENNE DAVIS, Secretary

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OUR VIEWS



With Flag Day approaching, it's important to know how to pay proper respect to the American flag.

Flag Day

A chance to show respect to our country's symbol

There are a variety of times during the course of a given year the American flag moves front and center as citizens pay tribute to their country, its freedoms and the men and women who fight for them.

There's the just-passed Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Veterans Day and, coming up Tuesday, Flag Day, all designed to allow American citizens opportunities to pay their respects not only to their country, but to its most visible symbol.

And when they do, it's important they do it properly. If you're displaying an American flag, Public Law 94-344, The Federal Flag Code, contains guidelines (if you're worried about how deep the federal government is getting into our lives, know this: The code contains no penalties, though some states have their own codes and may impose penalties):

When flags of states. cities or organizations are flown on the same staff, the U.S. flag must be at the top. This one seems to be "violated," for lack of a better term, more often. During the hoisting or lowering of the flag or when it passes in parade or review, Americans should stand at attention facing the flag and place their right hand over the heart.

Traditional guidelines call for displaying the flag in public only from sunrise to sunset. However, the flag may be displayed at all times if it's illuminated during darkness. The flag should not be subject to weather damage, so it should not be displayed during rain, snow and wind storms unless it is an all-weather flag.

It should be displayed often, but especially on national and state holidays and special occa-

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Here's one that gets violated occasionally in school gymnasiums or football fields: When the flag hangs from a staff in a church or public place, it should appear to the audience on the left, the speaker's right.

When the flag is worn out or otherwise no longer a fitting emblem for display, it should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning.

Here are a couple of things not to do with the

• Do not let the flag touch anything beneath it:

ground, floor, water, merchandise.

• Do not place anything on the flag, including letters, insignia, or designs of any kind. • Do not use it as wearing apparel, bedding or drapery.

It should not be used on a costume or athletic uniform. However, a flag patch may be attached to the uniform of patriotic organizations, military personnel, police officers and firefighters.

• Do not use the flag for advertising or promotion purposes or print it on paper napkins, boxes or anything else intended for temporary use and discard.

There are more, and you can find them on the website of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. But these guidelines give you a good idea of ways to treat the American flag with respect.

During ceremonies such as the recent Memorial Day activities, proper respect is paid to this country's military men and women, who have given so much in representing their nation.

As Flag Day approaches, it's important to remember the American flag, the symbol of our country, deserves the same respect.

COMMUNITY VOICE

How will you remember Dr. Jack Kevorkian?

We asked this question at the Plymouth District Library.



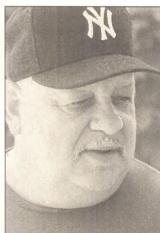
"He was definitely a major man in Michigan, and internationally. ... He made a lot of people aware of his cause. ... It's tough to see a human suffer. ... I think there's a place for this."

Gene Dickirson Plymouth Township



"As a man who took the lives of people who weren't yet ready to go." Rebecca Passow

Plymouth



"Ahead of his time. Assisted suicide is something you have to give a lot of thought about. ... I think it's up to the individual, whether they need that type of assistance."

> Jim Burnett Plymouth



"I would remember him as, what was that phrase they coined? Dr. Death. That's how I'll remember him. ... I am not in favor of assisted suicide."

Beverly Garvin Livonia

LETTERS

Greed in all forms

Greed comes in many different forms, we all know about the Wall Street type greed. Union demands are not generally associated with greed. Unfortunately, union demands as demonstrated by Scott Craig, a Birmingham school teacher and the Northville Democratic Club president, is only concerned about the unions' and his own self-interests.

This is in reference to an article written by him and recently published in the Northville Record attacking Sen. Patrick Colbeck on a personal level. In what appears to be a supportive article of Scott Craig's position, the Northville Patch highlighted the Democrats' recent protests in Lansing.

Michigan public school employees have one of the best pensions around and they receive 16.5 percent higher pay than their counterparts in Indiana. As an example, the Saline Public School teachers starting salary is \$40,425 and receive automatic pay increases annually; with a master's degree their pay increases to \$111,750 in the 15th year of employment.

As of Dec. 6, 2010, about 300 school districts do not require teachers to contribute to their health insurance premiums. Michigan government employee unions claim they have given up hundreds of millions of dollars in wages and benefits. According to U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, since 2000 Michigan government-employee compensation has increased by 11.4 percent, while benefits increased 3.6 percent, and while private-sector employees experi-

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enced a reduction of 5.1 percent in compensation and benefit reductions of 2.0 percent.

Between 2000 and 2010 Michigan lost 217,000 automotive jobs, and from 1999 to 2011 Michigan lost 403,000 manufacturing jobs. It is reported that for every auto job lost nine additional jobs are affected. Michigan is losing a congressional seat because of the high population loss. While Michigan was losing all of those jobs and the commensurate tax revenues, in the eight years that Gov. Granholm (a Democrat) was

in office, she increased state spending and the size of government every year, while appeasing her union supporters.

In terms of GDP per capita, Michigan has recently become one of America's 10 poorest states. Michigan, as well as the United States is in a financial crisis while the unions make more and more demands, exacerbating the economic chaos that Granholm refused to address.

The people who assume the greatest amount of risk, the self-employed and small business owners do not receive unemployment when they are out of work and/or may have experienced substantial cuts in pay when their business dropped off, but, these facts do not show up in formal statistical reports. Michigan led the country in unemployment for many, many months, while state government employees and unionized public employees were receiving annual pay and benefit increases. How about some shared sacrifice?

Mr. Craig does not talk about educating our children or about improving teacher performance. Mr. Craig comes across in the same manner as the head (or former head) of the National Education Association who said something along the line (not a direct quote) – it is not about teaching kids, it's about the power derived from the dues the public school employees' unions and NEA collect.

Michael Hansel Canton Township

Arrest school rhetoric, begin transformation

BY TOM WATKINS **GUEST COLUMNIST**

he superintendent of Ithaca Public Schools gave educators across the state and nation a good chuckle recently with his open letter to Michigan's Gov. Rick Snyder, proposing to make his school a prison.

The local superintendent points out, "prisoners get three square meals a day, access to free health care, Internet, cable



Tom Watkins

television, access to a library, a weight room, computer lab ... everything we just listed we do not provide to our school children."

Michigan's educators are feeling put upon of late as the decade old economic decline has not enabled the governor and the Legislature to pro-

vide the education establishment with the unfettered budget increases that they have grown accustomed to.

At a recent State Board of Education public hearing; one teacher said, "we feel like the gum on the bottom of a shoe."

This is not to say education has been deprived. Public education in Michigan is a nearly \$20 billion dollar enterprise and has seen increases even during our state's darkest economic hour.

The federal government provided a onetime bonus of economic stimulus money last year that was used as a lubricant to protect the status quo.

The Ithaca superintendent writes, "...

Michigan is hurting right now financially, but why aren't we protecting schools? Schools are the one place on Earth that people look to 'fix' what is wrong with society by educating our youth and preparing them to take on the issues that society has

What I missed in his tongue-in-cheek op-ed open letter is the fact that he and other educational leaders know that the first half of a billion ... yes, that's with a B, of new money the governor and Legislature invest in schools, or \$300 per student times 1.7 million students only covers the rising cost of pensions and health care.

This means our schools require one half billion of new funding annually just to stay

As I pointed out in my 2004 report: Structural Funding Issues Facing Michigan Schools in the 21st Century (http://www. michigan.gov/documents/michiganschoolfunding_110803_7.pdf) to then-Gov. Jennifer Granholm, the State Board of Education and the Michigan Legislature

- these costs are unsustainable. Time has proven me right. These rising costs must be addressed if

we are going to prepare our children for the hyper-competitive, disruptive, knowledge global economy where ideas and jobs can and do move around the globe effortlessly.

The 2004 report foreshadows what is playing out in schools today.

I have watched educators march on Lansing and hold press conferences demanding more money "for the kids."

The truth is — new resources are at best

propping up the status quo. We need trans-

formational change in our schools. The sta-

If there were a truth in advertising law,

tus quo will not prepare our students, state

or nation for the future.

the Michigan Department of Education and our local schools would be forced to change their names to "The Department of Health Care and Pensions." This is where any new money that is given to schools has been and will continue to go unless the state steps up and institutes the new 3 R's - Restructure, Reform and Reinvent our

Gov. Snyder has begun the process to transform our schools.

The governor's budget, with legislative tweaks, is realistic and demands that districts adopt "best practices" while he and the legislature provide additional resources to address rising pension costs.

If you have a hole in your roof, pretending to fix it does not keep the rain out. When it comes to school funding in Michigan, we have been pretending and spending for far too long.

The governor is asking the right questions when it comes to educational funding and accountability. The issue is not the amount we are putting in, it is what are we getting out.

It is time we arrest the rhetoric, address the unsustainable costs, and begin transforming public education in Michigan.

If not, we will all be in debtors' prison and our kids and state will continue to suf-

Tom Watkins served as Michigan's state superintendent of schools, 2001-05. He is a business and educational consultant in the U.S. and China. He can be reached at: tdwatkins88@gmail.com.

Credit union launches 'Summer of Sharing'

In celebration of their 60th anniversary, Community Financial Credit Union is launching its first ever "Summer of Sharing" campaign on June 13, 2011.

"For the past 60 years, the credit union has been enhancing the lives of our members and our communities, devoting both time and money to the communities where we do business" said Bill Lawton, Community Financial CEO. "In honor of our 60th anniversary, we want to give others the chance to help as well."

The public is invited to visit www.SummerOfSharing. org and nominate a local charity, community or school group that could benefit from a \$1,060 donation. They will be asked to share their story of "What GOOD could you do with \$1,060?" Then, starting June 13, Community Financial will award \$1,060 each day, Monday-Friday, for the next 60 days.

Community Financial Marketing Manager Sarah Cousineau said, "We know tough economic times can impact groups who rely on donations to keep programs running," said Sarah Cousineau, Community Financial's marketing manager. "Community Financial has remained a strong financial choice for our members, and the Summer of Sharing is our way of saying thank you to our communities for their faith in us."

For complete information on Community Financial's Summer of Sharing campaign, please visit www. SummerOfSharing.org.

Headquartered in Plymouth, Mich., membership in Community Financial Credit Union is open to anyone who lives, works, worships, volunteers, or attends school in the Michigan cities, townships or counties of Plymouth, Canton, Northville, Novi, Alpena, Otsego and Montmorency.

For more information, visit the credit union web site at www.cfcu.org or call (734) 453-1200 or (877) 937-2328, toll free.

Festival maintains international flavor

Liberty Fest will once again showcase the rich tapestry of cultures and ethnic heritages represented within the Canton community during its International Festival, scheduled to be held on Saturday, June 18, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the Canton Live! Stage. Join in this celebration of diversity as a variety of cultures from around the world are profiled through multicultural music and dance performances, cultural displays, and more.

Visitors will enjoy music and dance that communicates across cultural and linguistic barriers from countries across the globe, including: Tahiti, China; India; Sri Lanka; Africa; Ireland; Italy; Mexico; Spain; Greece; New Zealand and the United States.

"This year's International Festival is a great family friendly event that will take visitors on a tour of the world without having to leave our community," said Canton Arts Coordinator Jennifer Tobin. "Audience members will enjoy the colorful, dazzling costumes and exciting music these talented individuals



The International Festival, held during Canton's Liberty Festival, is scheduled 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, June 18.

bring to the stage as once again an impressive array of talented performers share aspects of their heritage with the crowds."

This festival of world music and global performances marks an ongoing effort of Canton to celebrate its diverse population. The International Festival is an annual activity of the Canton Cultural Commission

on Culture, Arts and Heritages' Multicultural Committee, whose members meet monthly on the fourth Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road.

These volunteers continue to plan and host cultural events such as this International Festival, in addition to: the

the Village Theater in February; Canton Celebrates Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in January; and Gandhi Jayanti each October.

This year's dynamic performances at the International Festival are appropriate for children, adults, seniors, and students. Over a dozen acts are scheduled to appear to celebrate a wide range of cultural offerings on the Canton LIVE! Stage. This global celebration will also include cultural exhibits on display featuring worldly and exotic items for sale creating a festive international atmosphere.

Canton Leisure Services is hosting this action-packed weekend for the whole family to enjoy in beautiful Heritage Park, located adjacent to Canton's Administration Building, west of Canton Center Road between Cherry Hill Road and Summit Parkway.

For more detailed information about this year's International Festival and all things related to Canton's Liberty Fest, visit www.cantonlibertyfest.com or call (734) 394-5460.

Wayne County EDGE earns national award

In 2010, Wayne County EDGE landed \$2 billion in capitol investment and a nationleading. Its performance did not go unnoticed.

The award-winning Site Selection magazine picked EDGE as one of the Top Groups

In the tail end of the recession-wearied Michigan economy, EDGE, led by Assistant County Executive and Chief Development Officer Turkia Awada-Mullin, put up record totals. In 2009 and 2010, Mullin's department landed more than \$5 billion in investment commitments and created or retained more than 30,000

Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano in his 2009 State of the County address said that job creation and economic diversification were his top priorities. Toward that goal Ficano reorganized the economic department, gave it a new name and appointed Awada-Mullin as its leader.

"Our philosophy is that government is here to elevate, not to get in the way," said Awada-Mullin. "A good example is Ford. Ford has the capacity to go anywhere in the world for its electrification plant. But they chose Wayne County. They chose us because they know we deliver."

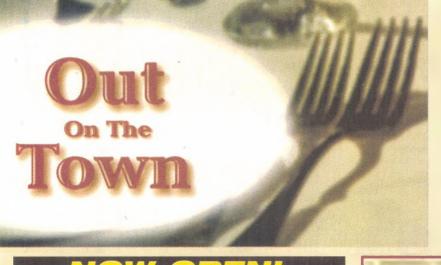
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to retool its Michigan Assembly Plant in the city of Wayne to make the Ford Focus and another \$450 million to implement an research and development center for battery technology. The first deal hinged on the approval of a brownfield plan, which EDGE expedited in just 11 days.

Other sizable investments included Nashville-based Vanguard Health Systems \$1.4 billion investment-purchase of the Detroit Medical Center and General Electric's \$120 million investment in Van Buren Township.

The Brookings Institute and the London School of Economics partnered on a 2009-2010 study that rated economic regions in the world. The Detroit-area moved from a recession ranking of 147th to a post-recession ranking of 47th, 100 positions. That rebound was one of the three largest in the world during that period. Mullin's EDGE and its \$5 billion in economic activity in 2009-2010 helped fuel that giant improvement in rankings.

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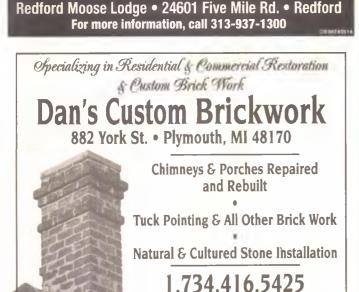










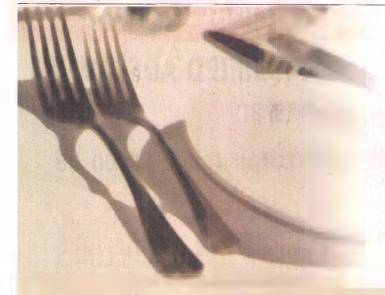


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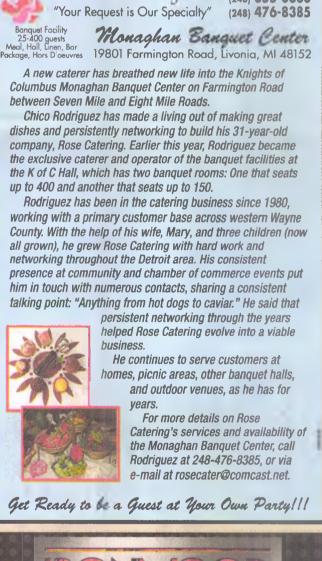
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2011 DISTRICT FINALS -

Chiefs sweat it out in title tilt

BY TIM SMITH **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

The past several seasons saw Canton's varsity softball team hit a brick wall in the district finals.

In Saturday's Division 1, District 32 final against host Livonia Stevenson, the Chiefs finally scaled that obstacle with a 4-3 vic-

But it wasn't easy, what with the Spartans scoring three runs in the top of the seventh and having the tying and leading runs on base with just one out.

That's when Canton freshman pitcher Hanna Warren's defense stopped a potential meltdown from happening on the 92degree day.

A hard grounder by sophomore Sarah Fier was fielded by Canton senior third baseman Heide Lucke. She calmly stepped on the nearby bag for the force and threw over to first to complete the double play and district championship in one fell

"All I was thinking about was just knocking the ball down," Lucke said. "If I knocked the ball down I had plenty of time to get the runner on second.

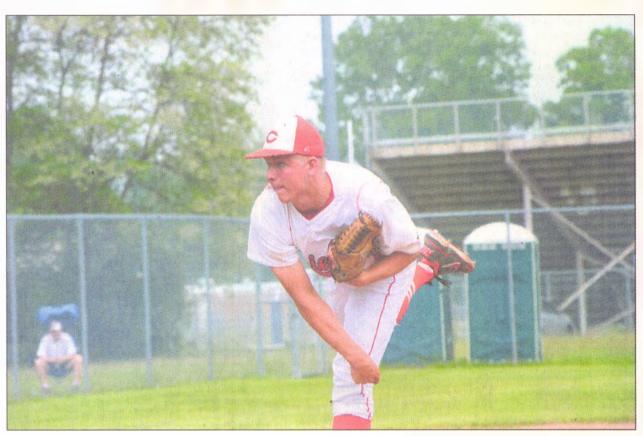
"And then I looked up and saw she (Fier) was only halfway down the base line. I'm like, 'Sure, I'll go to 1 (first), get the double play and end the game."

Canton senior shortstop CarolAnn

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Canton junior pitcher Alyssa Boucher is all business during Saturday's district semifinal against Salem.



Canton junior pitcher Ryan Bazner brings the heat during Saturday's district baseball final against Livonia Stevenson.

RED HOT!

Baseball Chiefs make it four straight district titles

BY BRAD EMONS **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

The heat took definitely its toll during Saturday's Division 1 district baseball tournament held at Livonia Stevenson.

And on a hot day there's nothing better than quenching your thirst with another district title as Canton made it four-for-four under coach Mark Blomshield with an 8-5 victory over the host Spartans.

The Chiefs, now 27-6 overall, will face Birmingham Brother Rice in the regional semifinals Saturday at Novi.

It wasn't easy for Canton, which dropped its two previous meetings against Stevenson, including the Kensington Conference championship final, 3-2.

"They (Stevenson) are a pretty scrappy team," Blomshield said. "They got the lead-off guy on every inning except the last couple of innings. Every batter in their lineup is a tough

Canton, however, raced out to a 4-O first inning lead against Stevenson junior right-hander Chris McDonald, who had trouble finding the strike

zone as he walked Braden Price and hit Seth Tschetter with a pitch to open the game.

Winning pitcher Ryan Bazner, who went 3-for-4 on the day, had an RBI single during the first inning surge.

Stevenson (25-10) got a run back in the first on an RBI single by Mark Wagner and added run in the third on a double by Tyler Lynch and a RBI groundout by catcher Mike Vomastek, who later left the game with leg cramps.

Canton added a run in the fourth in an RBI single by Bazner and built a 6-2 lead with another in the fifth on an run-scoring single by Kobby

McDonald then exited in the fifth inning with no outs.

UPRISING

Stevenson made it interesting by scoring three times in the bottom of the fifth thanks to an RBI double by Wagner and a two-run single by Troy Bodtke.

And with no outs and clinging to a 6-5 lead, that's when Blomshield decided to make a pitching change by bringing in junior Vaughn Birchler.

"They wore 'Bazzy' out," the Canton coach said. "They're a real good team. That's why they won the conference. We were fortunate enough to be a little better than them today.'

The heat may have gotten to Bazner on the mound, but not at the plate.

His solo homer over the left fence to start the sixth made it 7-5 and Chris Perkovich reached base on a Stevenson infield error and later scored on a suicide squeeze bunt to give the Chiefs a three-run cushion.

"I felt alright on the mound," Bazner said. "It was pretty hot, I started cramping up a little bit in the fourth inning. Water was important and it's probably scarce in dugout right now. Other than that I was pretty comfortable, I was throwing pretty good."

Bazner's bat, meanwhile, was scorching.

"I've just been focusing in seeing strikes," he said. "I like it inside. See it in, be more selective and drive the ball as hard as I can and try score

Please see BASEBALL, B3

PCA bats can't quite finish job

BY BRAD EMONS OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Lutheran High Westland needed all 21 hits to garner its fourth straight Division 4 district baseball championship on Saturday.

The Warriors jumped out to a 10-4 lead through four innings and then held on for dear life with a 12-10 victory over host Plymouth Christian Academy

Lutheran Westland, now 13-5 overall, advances to the regional semifinals beginning at noon this Saturday at No. 2-ranked Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett.

The other semifinal, beginning at noon, pits Royal Oak Shrine and Allen Park Inter-City Baptist.

"We should have put it away when it was 10-4, but we left 10 runners on and didn't score with the bases loaded twice," Lutheran Westland coach Kevin Wade said. "But give Plymouth Christian credit, they battled and hung in there. Overall we did not play badly. I thought we played pretty well."

PCA head coach Joe Bottorff lamented several late-season injuries, which took a toll on the Eagles in the

"We endured a couple key injuries over the past week," Bottorff said. "As a result, we started four freshmen in the

"(But) I am extremely proud of my team, especially seniors John Slater, Matt Dodson, Matt Hagelin and Austin Smith — each showing incredible leadership throughout the season."

Winning pitcher Jake Andrzejewski and Aaron Gartha provided the heavy offensive lifting each going 4-for-5 and



combining for five RBI.

Other offensive standouts for the Warriors included Marc Rosin (3for-5, two runs); Nick Andrzejewski (3-for-5, two runs); Thomas Handschumacher (3-for-5, RBI); Matt Sylvester (2-for-3, two runs); and Taurrek Fikes (reached base safely four

Matt Dodson led PCA (18-7) going 3-for-5 with a solo homer in the first inning and two doubles.

John Slater added two hits, including a three-run double in the seventh to spark a late rally. Daniel Jipping also added two hits and was on base four times.

Jake Andrzejewski pitched the first five innings allowing three earned runs on five hits and four walks. Fikes, in relief, gave up five earned runs on five hits and three walks in two

PCA used three pitchers with John Slater taking the loss.

"We fell behind early but my guys battled back and made it close at the end," Bottorff noted. "So I was very pleased with their effort.'

PLY. CHRISTIAN 8, HURON VALLEY 6: In the district semifinal, Daniel Jipping and John Slater each collected three hits as Plymouth Christian Academy (18-6) held off Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (12-2).

Please see PCA, B3



The Canton varsity girls soccer team is all smiles after winning the Division 1 district title Saturday at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park varsity field.

Canton kickers move on

BY TIM SMITH **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

It was a red-letter day for the red shirts on Saturday.

The Canton varsity girls soccer team defeated Northville 2-1 in the Division 1 district final contest at Plymouth-

Canton Educational Park. Over at Livonia Stevenson, Canton's baseball and softball teams also won

their respective districts. The Chiefs move on to the D1 regionals being hosted by Dearborn

Edsel Ford. They faced Grosse Pointe South Wednesday night in a game that took place after this issue of the Observer went to press.

The Chiefs (10-5-1) scored both goals in the first half. Rachel Winters set up Gabby Malec for a header with about 13 minutes to play and Ally Krause beat a Northville defender one-on-one to fire in the second tally.

Drawing the assist on Krause's goal was Megan Trapp, who cleared a ball and sent it perfectly up to her teammate. On a down note, senior defender

Melanie Pickert was tripped up and injured her ankle. She did not return.

We figured out how to defend them without her and came through in the end," Canton head coach Jeannine Reddy said.

The first-year coach added that senior goalkeeper Kayla Bridges made a number of stellar saves to keep the Chiefs on top.

Northville's only goal came off of a corner kick early in the second half.

GREENHILLS 4, PCA 0: On Saturday at Plymouth Christian, the district host Eagles were blanked by Ann Arbor Greenhills in a Division 4 district final.

The Eagles (14-2-1) once again fell to the Gryphons (12-3-1) in the postseason, losing for the third straight season.

PCA had reached the final by routing Lutheran Westland 8-0 on Friday.

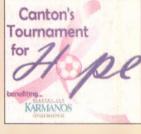
Go to www.hometownlife.com for results of Wednesday's Canton-GPS regional contest.

SIDELINES

Tourney for Hope

The first Canton's Tournament for Hope, to raise proceeds for the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute, is slated for July 29-31 at High Velocity Sports in Canton.

Teams are being sought to sign up for the 6-v-6 indoor tournament. There are competitive and rec divisions for



Over-30 women and Open Women (18 and older).

For more information on how to sign up, send an email to hopetourney@yahoo. com or visit the Canton's Tournament for Hope Facebook page. All money generated by the tourney will go for breast cancer research. The registration deadline is July 1.

High Velocity Sports is located at 46245 Michigan Ave. near Canton Center Drive. Call Drew Crawford at (734) 487-7678 for any questions concerning the venue.

Salem hockey tryouts

It's hotter than the Tigers' hitters right now, but it's still time to think about the 2011-12 Salem boys hockey season.

The Salem Rocks are holding summer hockey tryouts from 4:30-6 p.m. Sunday at the Arctic Pond located on Plymouth Road. For additional information, contact head coach Ryan Ossenmacher at rockshockev@gmail.com.

SuperJess Classic

The big day is just around the corner, but there is still time to gear up - literally - for the first "SuperJess Baseball Classic," which will take place 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 22, at the Plymouth High School varsity baseball field.

The Michigan Blue Javs (with nine players from Plymouth-Canton Educational Park) and Plymouth Grizzlies will square off, with all profits to benefit the family of Jesse Lindlbauer. He is the Canton High School student who is recovering from a brain abscess rupture and needs physical and speech therapy.

Folks can "gear up," by purchasing wristbands for \$6, which will be used for admission purposes. Ticket (wristband) sales will be held at Canton Sports, 45668 Ford Road, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday-Friday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday. The wristbands also are available at Tonda Elementary, Pioneer Middle School and Central Middle School.

For more information, call Joel Thompson at (734) 634-4963 or e-mail him at jethome@comcast. net. Thompson coached Jesse when the youngster played second base for the Canton Vipers 13U and 14U teams.

Plymouth United tryouts

The Plymouth United F.C. is holding Select Soccer tryouts for the 2011-12 season on June 18, 20 and 21 at Visteon Fields, 14492 N. Sheldon in Plymouth.

Tryouts are for boys and girls ages 8-14. Please go to www.plymouthunited. com for age-specific tryout times and to pre-register for tryouts.

SOFTBALL FROM PAGE B1

Sexauer, who made a diving play to end a Stevenson threat in the fifth, added that the team needed to collectively take a deep breath when the Spartans started to surge.

"It was to just remember to stay calm and relaxed like we have all season when that happens," Sexauer said. "Because we know we can make the plays."

A bunt single by junior speedster Molly Knoph got the Stevenson rally going. One batter later, junior Julianne

Potvin singled in Knoph.
After Stevenson senior cocaptain Rebecca Zarras (3-for4) singled to score Stevenson's
third run of the seventh,
junior pitcher Jackie Johnson
reached on an infield hit to
bring Fier up to the plate.

Keeping the rally going were two Canton miscues.

"They got a little nervous there at the end, it's not normally like them," Canton head coach Jim Arnold said. "We haven't won a district in a while, they got a little nervous.

"But they settled down and you could see with the last play, that's typical Canton softball."

With the district title finally in the books, Arnold could finally smile about what his team (now 30-6) might be able to accomplish. "Here we go, here we go."

FIGHT TO THE FINISH

Stevenson head coach Robert Witherspoon praised his team for battling to the end, not folding after giving up three first-inning runs.

"I'm so proud of my girls because they hung in there," Witherspoon said. "We were down 4-0, we were hitting the ball the whole day. I'm proud that they kept fighting until the bitter end."

Both Warren and Johnson scattered seven hits in pitching complete games.

For Johnson, it was a particularly long day since she threw 10 shutout innings in a 1-0 win over Plymouth in the district opener, outdueling Elaine

Gerou of the Wildcats.
"I think it bothered her

a little bit as far as velocity goes, but her movement got a lot better," Witherspoon explained. "She was moving the ball around a lot better, and today was a good day for her to get better.

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"She worked through some tough situations, and a month ago she wouldn't have been able to get out of those situations."

Johnson said she still felt pretty strong to start the second game, but the Chiefs still broke out with three runs on five hits.

Junior outfielder Jesse Larner led off the rally with a one-out double to right field.

Sexauer's infield single followed to send Larner to third. Seniors Kaitlyn Mattson and Lauren Leskovitz followed with back-to-back RBI singles for a 2-0 edge.

The third run scored on a two-out single to right by sophomore Jessica Webster.

FUNDAMENTALLY SOUND

Stevenson (22-14) tried to answer in the top of the second, with singles by Fier and Ashley Avery starting the frame.

After a sacrifice bunt moved the runners up, Knoph bunted into a fielder's choice to load the bases

But a throw down to third base eluded Lucke, which could have scored a run. However, Larner was in the right spot backing up the play to prevent that from happening.

"There's a whole lot of things that this team does that you don't see in the box score," Arnold said. "Basic, good, sound, fundamental softball and that's where it's got us today. That's what we pride ourselves on."

Johnson settled down after the first, retiring seven straight batters during one stretch.

"I think my team made a lot of great plays," Johnson said. "I just wish that it would have turned out otherwise. It was close."

The Chiefs did finally tack on a run in the fifth, and that turned out to be the difference.

As usual, Larner started it off — this time with a walk. Sexauer singled for her second

hit of the game and after a fielder's choice, Leskovitz hit

the ball to third baseman Fier.
She checked Larner back to
the bag before throwing across
the diamond for the out. But
Larner (1-for-2, two runs) suddenly broke toward the plate
and beat the throw.

Arnold said Warren did a commendable job, and that getting through the hairy ending should only help her in the next three seasons.

"She pitched well, that last inning she started aiming it," he said. "We talked to her and she came through. She's going to be a good pitcher for us in the future. She's pretty good now, but she's going to get better."

STILL SWEET

Sexauer, meanwhile, said that it would have been even better if the title win had been against Plymouth — the team that knocked the Chiefs out in

"But victory is sweet, it tastes good anyway," she

According to Witherspoon, it was fitting for Zarras to end an excellent prep career with such an outstanding performance.

"With the exception of the outcome, I don't know if we could send our senior off in any better of a way," Witherspoon said. "It was a great game to finish on.

"Becca's a four-year player, and pound-for-pound she's the best hitter we've seen."

The Chiefs reached the district final thanks to a 3-1 victory over Salem in the semifinals. Junior pitcher Alyssa Boucher went the distance for the win.

Canton finally got on the scoreboard in the fifth against Salem senior pitcher Heidi Schmidt on Sexauer's two-run single

"Boucher throws a lot of breaking balls," Arnold said. "She has a good drop ball. And when she's on it's hard to hit her."

Canton now will square off Saturday, June 11, in the Novihosted regionals against the winner of the Birmingham Groves district.

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THOMAS BEAUDOIN

Everybody on Canton's bench is into the action as they watch senior Kaitlyn Mattson (No. 33) take a cut at a pitch against Livonia Stevenson.





Winning smiles

Taylor Birman and Alex Roberts have good reason to flash winning smiles these days. Birman (left) received the 2011 Plymouth High School Scholar-Athlete of the Year Award while Roberts was the recipient of the school's Female Athlete of the Year Award. Both 2011 graduates received their awards at Plymouth High School's recent honors and awards night.

Salem, Plymouth both fall in district action

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

On the field, there was disappointment for the Plymouth and Salem varsity girls softball teams Saturday.

Both teams were defeated in their respective Division 1 district games at Livonia Stevenson.

But after Plymouth lost 1-0 in 10 innings to Livonia Stevenson and Salem dropped a 3-1 decision to eventual district champion Canton, coaches and players held their heads up high.

"It wasn't in the cards for us this year," Wildcats head coach Val Canfield said. "We did have a good year. We're very young, I think we have a million sophomores, and several freshmen

"The thing is they start, so I'm looking forward to experience next year now that they have this one year under their belt."

The Spartans scored an unearned run in the bottom of the 10th against Plymouth sophomore pitcher Elaine Gerou, who went toe-to-toe against Stevenson senior Jackie Johnson.

With two outs, Stevenson's Molly Knoph hit the ball to Gerou who fielded it cleanly. But the throw to first was too high, allowing Knoph to reach safely.

Knoph then promptly stole second and third base and scored on a bunt single by Alexandra Ferguson.

The Wildcats (18-11-2) had their chance to win the game in the ninth. An error and infield single by senior Jessica Bondy (who had two of Plymouth's four hits) put the first two batters on.

But then Johnson closed the door.

DOWN TO THE END

"When it comes to districts it's anybody's championship," Canfield said. "It's whatever way the ball falls, like that bunt."

Canfield said Gerou pitched an outstanding game, despite the loss.

"Elaine Gerou was on her game," the coach said. "All her pitches were working. It was a pitcher's duel. It came down to the very end."

Canfield said she is going to miss three players who played all four years of high school on the varsity — outfielder Bondy, outfielder-pitcher Lauren Smith and infielder Christy Pattison (who made a sparkling diving catch to stop a Stevenson threat in the

Also on the Plymouth roster is senior utility player Katie Keys

"It was my goal to dive today, and I did it," Pattison said. "... I really wanted to play Canton one last time and really show them what we got this year."

Those players contributed to the Wildcats reaching the regionals in 2008-10.

Bondy and Pattison said their competitive softball days probably ended Saturday as they will focus on academics in college.

"It was a lot of fun and there was nothing to be ashamed of because we gave it our all, we tried our best," said Bondy, who will pursue a degree in chemical engineering at Wayne State University. "That's what makes high school ball so much fun."

Pattison is going to Michigan State University, with the goal of earning a degree in constitutional democracy.

She said everybody on the team really grew as close friends over the past four seasons.

"Everybody loves each other and we're all supporting each other," Pattison said. "I think that's our biggest improvement" over the span of her career. "We're all friends."

AMAZING LEADERS

As for Salem (18-17), senior pitcher Heidi Schmidt and Canton junior pitcher Alyssa Boucher pitched scoreless ball until the Chiefs finally got on the board in the fifth, on a two-run single by CarolAnn Sexauer.

The Rocks answered in the

sixth on singles by Schmidt, freshman Emily Marcero and freshman Madison Koval (for the RBI). But they just could not finish the comeback bid. "It was anyone's game."

"It was anyone's game,"
Salem head coach Bonnie
Southerland said. "We outhit
Canton, we just didn't string
them together at the right
time.

"But we're definitely a team to be reckoned with and I'm just very proud of my whole

Southerland said she likes the potential of the players who will return, such as Marcero, Koval, Elliott Mitchem, Kristin Zink and others.

But Saturday's contest was the final one in the high school careers of seniors Schmidt, catcher Kelli Janiczek and second baseman Lizzy Mazorowicz and the coach wasn't about to let that go without some comments.

"I couldn't be more proud with how they played today, especially my senior leadership," Southerland said. "It's just been amazing.

"My three seniors, they've been on the team since they were freshmen and they gave me everything they had all the time"

The coach smiled, however, when mentioning that Schmidt and Janiczek will continue their careers at Eastern Michigan University — perhaps as a pitcher-catcher battery, just like at Salem.

Mazorowicz will go to Central Michigan University, but probably won't play college ball.

According to Southerland, this was one of her "most enjoyable" seasons as a coach because of how the team rebounded from an early 2-9 start and always displayed the best of attitudes.

"This is probably one of my most enjoyable, pleasant seasons I've had coaching girls in a long time," she said. "I've had great attitudes this entire year, which I think has made a huge difference."

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JOHN KEMSKI

Another senior leader on and off the field for Plymouth was outfielder Jessica Bondy (No. 8), shown from a game earlier this season.



continue as teammates next year at

Eastern Michigan University.

Delivering a pitch during Saturday's Division 1 district semifinal girls softball game against Canton is Salem senior Heidi Schmidt. She and senior catcher Kelli Janiczek will



JOHN KEM

Plymouth senior Christy Pattison (No. 2), shown from earlier this season, said the Wildcats grew into a very close team during the course of her prep career.

Prolific Rodgers cream of PCEP crop BASEBALL

BY TIM SMITH **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

A 70-goal season is pretty lofty stuff, and Canton boys lacrosse senior attackman Matt Rodgers did just that for the 2011 Chiefs.

For his outstanding season, Rodgers was voted the 2011 Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Player of the Year.

And for obvious reasons, he also was named to the recently announced All-PCEP Park Team (see below).

"Matt is a tremendous finisher and feeder," said Canton head coach Kevin Riley. "He really improved his dodging skills this season and it showed. He was nearly impossible to cover."

Rodgers tallied 19 assists along with his 70 goals for the Park champion Chiefs. He worked well with teammates to spark the offense.

"Matt had 43 groundballs and was the leader on the man-up unit," Riley said.

The coach added that Rodgers was awarded the team's top offensive player and MVP, an award he also won in

In 2011-12, Rodgers will attend Central Michigan University with hopes of continuing his lacrosse career.

The Chiefs — who defeated Plymouth 13-10 in a regional tournament match on May 25 had several other players on the All-Park team.

Those included: sophomore attackman Tim Popp (26 goals, 19 assists, 30 groundballs), senior midfielder Jordan Smith (11 goals, 14 assists, 39 groundballs) and junior defenseman Brandon Schlieger (four goals, four points, 69 groundballs).

SALEM STANDOUTS

Salem actually led Park teams with five players named to the squad (excluding honorable mentions).

On attack was senior Garrett Berg, who registered 23 goals along with 29 assists and 50 groundballs.

The Rocks also were represented by senior midfielder Connor Berlin (34 goals,



Canton senior attackman Matt Rodgers (No. 10) is shown from earlier this season celebrating a goal with teammate Trevor Moore. Rodgers was named the PCEP Player of the Year while Moore was honorable mention.

10 assists, 70 groundballs), senior defenseman Anthony Portelli (one goal, five assists, 50 groundballs), senior goalkeeper Alex "Gator" Gravlin and face-off specialist Nick Giannini. The latter, a junior, tallied 12 goals, 10 assists, 150 groundballs and 101 face-off

TOP 'CATS

For Plymouth, making the squad were senior midfielder Conor Downey (19 goals, 31 assists, 63 groundballs), senior defenseman Ethan Christensen (two goals, 70 groundballs) and junior long stick midfielder Shaun Austin, who only collected four assists but was strong with 74 groundballs.

Park coaches also listed eight players as honorable mention selections. Those include the following:

• For Canton, senior attackman Trevor Moore, senior midfielder Parker Pakula and junior midfielder Lucas Carpenter were named.

• For Plymouth, junior

attackman Phil Flesch, senior defenseman Ben Burkman and senior goalie Mike Justus were named.

· For Salem, honorable mentions were senior attackman Dylan Hatcher and sophomore midfielder Brandon Lee.

2011 ALL-PCEP BOYS LACROSSE TEAM

ATTACK Matthew Rodgers, Sr., Canton Timothy Popp, Soph., Canton Garrett Berg, Sr., Salem MIDFIELD Connor Berlin, Sr., Salem

Conor Downey, Sr., Plymouth DEFENSE Anthony Portelli, Sr., Salem Brandon Schlieger, Jr., Canton Ethan Christensen, Sr., Plymouth

Jordan Smith, Sr., Canton

GOALIE Alex "Gator" Gravlin, Sr., Salem
LONG STICK MIDFIELDER Shaun Austin, Jr., Plymouth **FACE OFF SPECIALIST** Nick Giannini, Jr., Salem PCEP PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Matthew Rodgers, Sr., Canton

HONORABLE MENTION Canton: Trevor Moore, Sr., Attack; Parker Pakula, Sr., Midfield; Lucas Carpenter, Jr., Midfield; Plymouth: Phil Flesch, Jr., Attack; Ben Burkman, Sr., Defense; Michael Justus. Sr., Goalie; Salem: Dylan Hatcher, Sr., Attack; Brandon Lee, Soph., Midfield.

runs. I try to move runners around and do whatever I can do for the team."

Birchler, a right-hander, did a fine job in relief as he got out of a fifth-inning jam with two Stevenson runners aboard.

MILESTONE WIN

He gave up only one hit and struck out four to close out the victory.

"When you get into two-game win situations, you have to have a deep pitching staff and that's what we do," Blomshield said. "We had confidence in our bullpen. We wanted to ride our starters as long as we could. 'Bazzer' has been a proven guy for us for a couple years now.

"They (Stevenson) were on him. It's been hot all day and people have been dropping like flies. We got a guy on the bench (Birchler) that throws with pretty good pop, and a good curveball, and he had their number for the last nine outs."

For Canton, it's four straight district crowns after an 18-year drought and senior catcher Seth Tschetter has been a major part in all four title runs.

"We came in together," Blomshield said. "His freshman year was my first year coaching and it was the 102nd win, so that's pretty special accomplishment. He's been a part of every single one of them. Not many high school kids can say that.

"You've got to play on a pretty good team and he's been a starter all four years. I'm pretty proud of him. I'm pretty proud of that special achievement."

CANTON 8, SALEM 1: Michael Stafford pitched a four-hitter over six innings to propel the Chiefs (26-6) past the Rocks (17-15) in the district semifinals Saturday at Livonia Stevenson. Stafford struck out six and walked only two.

Canton led 1-0 after four innings before blowing it open with four runs in the fifth inning and three more in the sixth.



After Saturday's 8-5 win over Livonia Stevenson in the district final, Canton senior catcher Seth Tschetter (left) and coach Mark Blomshield (right) celebrate their 100th win together over the past four seasons. The 2008 season was the first for Tschetter and for Blomshield at the Chiefs' helm.

Ryan Bazner went 2-for-2 with an RBI, while Seth Tschetter, Chris Perkovich, Bernabe Salinas each knocked in a run. Braden Price also triple and scored twice.

Losing pitcher Matt Rowland hit five batters, walked one and allowed just one hi in four innings before giving way to Tommy Rodriguez, who allowed three runs on four hits.

Kyle Penn went 2-for-3 for Salem. STEVENSON 9, PLYMOUTH 1: Senior right-hander Evan Piechota pitched a complete-game six-hitter and struck out 10 as host Livonia Stevenson (25-9) ousted the Wildcats (23-11) in a district

semifinal game. Mark Wagner paced a 13-hit Stevenson attack going 3-for-4 with two RBI.

Tyler Lynch, Jake Semak and Brendon Hayes also added two hits apiece.

Brandon Jurczyszyn also knocked in two runs, while Justin Small, Mike Vomastek and Piechota added one RBI apiece.

Rich Guglielmi went 2-for-3 for Plymouth and Jamarl Eiland had the lone RBI.

Losing pitcher Harrison Michels allowed seven runs on 11 hits in four innings before giving way to reliever Justin Thompson.

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State finals yield five All-Staters

BY TIM SMITH **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

A handful of athletes from Plymouth-Canton Educational Park did themselves proud at Saturday's Division 1 track & field finals at Rockford High

School. Canton's Nick Alaniva, Rvan Jones, Ben Spreitzer, Lindsay Lipa and Salem's Dan Martin earned All-State honors, placing and scoring in their events on a blistering hot day.

In the boys race, the competition was pretty hot, too, with East Kentwood's 72 points far outpacing the pack. In second place with 28 points was Ypsilanti.

Meanwhile, Canton tied for 16th place with 11 points while Salem, thanks to Martin's

D1 TRACK AND FIELD FINALS

performance in the 400-meter dash, registered five points for the day.

"We scored 11 points and tied for 16th place, and there were 141 schools represented there," Canton head coach Bob Richardson said. "We were

very happy." Alaniva took third in the pole vault with a mark of 15feet, 1-inch — establishing new records in the event for Canton High School and PCEP.

"His record will get to go up on the back end of the (varsity football) scoreboard," said Richardson, about the new Park leader board. "Nick has just had a monster year for

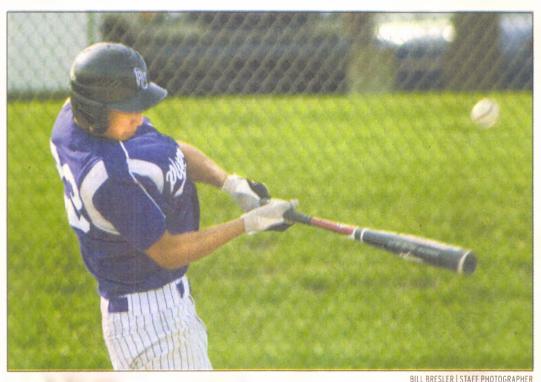
Alaniva broke the former record of 14-10, set in 1979 by Salem's Dennis Odgen.

Sprinter Jones finished sixth in the 100-meter dash with a time of 10.8 seconds while Spreitzer took seventh in the high jump with a mark of 6-5.

Salem's Martin took fourth place in the 400 dash with a time of 48.96. He also was part of the 1.600-meter relay team that qualified for the state meet. The quartet (also including Chase Minshew, Tom Crawford and Dan Adsit) finished 23rd in prelims with a time of 3:31.72.

In the girls finals, Canton's Lipa placed fourth in the long jump with a mark of 17-4.25.

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Even though Plymouth Christian lost in a tough Division 4 baseball district final, Eagles senior Matt Dodson (shown in a 2010 photo) was an offensive machine with five hits over the course of two games.

FROM PAGE B1

Winning pitcher Daniel Slater also added two hits and scored three runs in the PCA

victory. Matt Dodson and Austin Smith each added two hits in the victory.

Daniel Slater pitched the first six innings before giving way to Dodson in the bottom of the seventh as HVL rallied for four runs after trailing 8-2.

Senior Shawn Schaffer took the loss for the Hawks. Reliever Andy Barber gave up four runs in the top of the seventh.

Alex Harris and Barber each collected two hits, while Ryan Schaffer added a double and three walks for the Hawks.

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HORDE, SHELLEY RENEE

Age 36 June 5, 2011 of Garden City. Beloved daughter of Troy & Rose Horde. Loving sister of Dennis (Kelly) Barker and Eric (Annette) Horde. Cherished granddaughter of Edward Horde. Dear aunt of Hope Grondy, Tyler and Ian Horde. Special friend of Danielle Beaudrie, Scott and Scotty White. For information regarding pancreatic cancer awareness visit www.pancan.org. Visitation and Service was held Wednesday at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 980 N Newburgh Rd, Westland. To share a memory,

visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com.

KOROL, PAUL C.

Age 76. Beloved husband of the late Raissa. Dear father of Andrew, William (Cindy), George, and Katherine (Andrew) Schornick. Proud grandfather of Kayla and Nicholas. Loving brother of George and the late Lydia Kytasty. Visitation was at Fred Wood Funeral Home- Rice Chapel, in Livonia on Wednesday. Funeral 10 AM Thursday at St. Mary Ukrainian orthodox Church, 21931 Evergreen Rd, Southfield, MI 48075. Interment will take place at Parkview Cemetery. Please visit online guest book at

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LAROQUE, ELIZA JANE

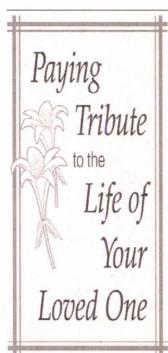
Passed away on June 4, 2011 at the age of 95. She was born on the Leech Lake Indian Reservation in Onigum Minnesota on February 2,1916. Eliza was the loving wife of the late Henry LaRoque and is survived by her sister Dorthy McMickens and her 3 children Sharon Hoyt, Gary LaRoque and Lesley Dale LaRoque, her grandchildren Mark Hoyt, Lauren Hoyt Willams, Brandon LaRoque, Derek LaRoque, Meghan LaRoque and Alicia LaRoque and her great grand-children Justin, Zoe, Jake, Isabella and Haidyn. She showed her care and love through her actions and all who knew her felt blessed to be touched by this amazing woman. Elizabeth will be missed by all. www.uhtfh.com



SAWICKI, CECILIA MARY

Age 84. Beloved wife of the late Walter. Loving mother of Patricia (Gary), Robert (Syndi) Loussia, and Richard (Geralyn). Proud grandmother of Michael (Jessica) Mistak, Christopher Mistak, Dana (Tim) Balogh, and Douglas Sawicki. Greatgrandmother of John Michael Mistak II. Cecilia and the late Walter were among the "Original" residents of Newburgh Village. She was a hard working employee for the 7 Mile and Farmington Kmart for over two decades. Mrs. Sawicki enjoyed exercising at the Livonia Senior Center. A memorial gathering will be held Saturday at St. Kenneth Catholic Church, 11:30 AM until time of mass at 12:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Hydrocephalus Association, 870 Market St, Suite 705, San Francisco, CA, 94102.
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www.fredwoodfuneralhome.com.



SULLIVAN, MONICA SUSAN

Of Brighton passed away peacefully in the care of her loving family on Sunday, June 5, 2011. She was 53 years old. She is survived by her beloved husband, John; loving sons, Ryan (Callie) and Sean (Ruth); father, Paul Clement; grandson, Jack; sisters, Mary Clement and Kathy (Kevin) Carroll; brother, Brian (Stacey) Clement; nephews, Zachary, Dylan, Wyatt, Samuel and Aaron (Miriam); nieces, Amanda, Lou (Tyler); many loving extended family members and dear friends. Monica was preceded in death by her mother, Evelyn Clement and brother, Paul Clement. A Funeral Mass will be held at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 711 Rickett Road, Brighton, Friday, June 10 at 10:30AM. Fr. Mark J. Rutherford to officiate. Friends may visit at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 600 East Main Street, Brighton, Thursday 3-9PM. Memorials may be made to Gleaners Community Food Bank. For further information please call Lynch & Sons, Brighton at: 810-229-2905 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

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Registration is available for two programs one for women and the other about Mass — that start this month at St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Livonia.

The summer retreat program for women starts with Mass at 8:30 a.m., followed by a continental breakfast, fellowship, and a class that ends at approximately 11 a.m. The series of four sessions starts Wednesday, June 29 and will focus on enriching individual prayer lives. Topics are Catholic devotions and traditions on June 29; Divine Office and Lectio Divina on July 13; Franciscan and Ignatian spirituality on July 27; and Women Doctors of the Church on Aug. 10. Women may attend all or any of the

Registration is required and cost is \$8 per session or \$30 for all four meetings. A children's ministry is available at \$2 per child per

The church's other summer program, "A Biblical Walk Through the Mass," will meet 9:30-11 a.m. Tuesday, June 28, July 12, 26 and

The class will take participants on a tour of the Catholic Liturgy, based on the revised translation of the Mass which takes effect in Advent, 2011. It will explore the biblical roots of the words and gestures of the Mass and explain their meaning and religious significance. Participants will come to know and understand the Mass as never before.

Registration is required and cost is \$24. A children's ministry is available at \$2 per child per session. To register for either program, call the parish office at (734) 261-1455, Ext. 207, or see the parish website at www.livoniastmichael. org. The church is located at 11441 Hubbard, between Farmington Road and Merriman, in

RELIGION CALENDAR

Send calendar items to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@hometownlife.com. Feel free to include relevant photos as attached jpgs. Or mail items to Dargay, Observer, 615 Lafayette, level 2, Detroit, MI 48226.

JUNE 9-15

Time/Date: 3-4 p.m. Sunday, June 12 Location: Redford Aldersgate UMC. 10000 Beech Daly, Redford

Details: Pentecost of Praise Concert featuring The Sacred Heat Choral Ensemble of Detroit's Sacred Heart Church

Contact: (313) 937-3170

Fun fair/silent auction

Time/Date: Noon to 5 p.m., June 11 Location: Abundant Life Church of God, 2100 Hannan, Canton Details: Concessions, games, moon-

walk and more. Auction items include Detroit Tiger tickets, autographed sports items, dinner certificates, manicure/pedicure, hair color/cut, gift baskets, quilts

Contact: (734) 722-7688 **Pomegranate Guild**

Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sunday, June 12 **Location**: The Spicer House in

Heritage Park, Farmington Road between 10 Mile and 11 Mile, Farmington Hills

Details: The Pomegranate Guild of Southeastern Michigan, a group that studies and creates Judaic needlework, will have a dairy potluck luncheon and complete selections for next year's officers

Contact: Judy Galperin at (248) 661-

Rummage sale Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. June 9-10

and 9 a.m.-noon, June 11 **Location**: Trinity Church, 10101 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth Details: Benefits youth and adult mission trips to Africa, Mexico and

the U.S. Furniture, small appliances, housewares, tools, sports equipment. books, yard furniture/equipment, linens, clothing, plants, toys/games, lighting, jewelry and craft supplies Contact: (734) 459-9550

JUNE 16-22

Day camp

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. June

Location: Emanuel Lutheran Church, 34567 Seven Mile, Livonia **Details**: Day camp is a week-long experience for children completing kindergarten through sixth grade. College-age individuals from Michigan's Living Water Ministries lead the camp. Includes singing, games, arts, crafts, nature activities, devotion, study, lunch, special activities, snacks. Registration is \$60 per

Contact: (248) 442-8822 or e-mail to office@emmanuel-livonia.org

Book of Faith

Time/Date: 10 a.m. or 7 p.m. Wednesdays, beginning June 22 **Location**: Good Hope Lutheran Church, 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden

Details: The Rev. Joan Christoffers leads a study on "The Book of Faith." Join the group for any or all classes Contact: (734) 427-3660

Clothing bank

Location: 41920 Joy, between Lilley and Haggerty in Canton **Details:** Canton Christian Fellowship Clothing Bank offers free clothing and shoes to anyone in need

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. June 25

Contact: (734) 927-6686 or)734) 404-2480

JUNE 30-JULY 13

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m., Monday, July 11-Aug. 31

Location: St. Aidan Catholic Church,

15500 Farmington Road, Livonia **Details**: Michele Schmidt facilitates this women's study group, which is designed to help women discover their God-given dignity and femininity through Catholic teaching. Sessions explore Pope John Paul II's Letter To Women. Atmosphere is prayerful, but relaxed. Cost is \$60. Scholarships are

Contact: Register at (303) 715-3224 or at www.endowonline.org

Movie night

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, July

Location: In Bixman Hall at St. Aidan, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia **Details:** Free screening of "Toy Story 3" includes refreshments and a brief Q&A after the film. RSVP requested Contact: (734) 425-5950

Rummage Sale

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, July 8 and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday.

Location: Trinity Lutheran Church, 8820 Wayne Road, south of Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia

Details: Gently-used items Contact: (734) 427-2290

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For Information regarding this Directory, please call Donna Hart at 248-437-2011, Ext. 247 or e-mail: dhart@dnps.com

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Guy Louis is a favorite performer at noon concerts in Kellogg Park, in Plymouth.

BY SHARON DARGAY

O&E STAFF WRITER

Take a mid-day music break in Plymouth. Chill out with cool jazz in Canton. Pack a picnic and then dance the calories away in

The summer outdoor con-

cert season is underway and you can find a performance nearly every day of the week within a few miles from home. "I think it will be a

Farmington Hills.

lot of fun," said Nancy

music we have.'

Coumoundouros, Cultural

Arts Supervisor, describing

the Farmington Hills concert

schedule. "I like the variety of

The community's annual

"Stars in the Park" summer

series brings a mix of popu-

lar, local musicians and new

at Heritage Park, located on

the west side of Farmington

Road, between 10 Mile and

11 Mile. Concerts begin at 7

p.m. Thursdays and in case of

inclement weather, move into

the Costick Center, 28600 W.

The 2011 series kicks off

June 23 with the Farmington

11 Mile. There's no concert

June 30 and July 14.

Community Band and

wraps up Aug. 25 with the

Farmington Community Chorus. Four of the remain-

faces to the Amphitheater



The Farmington Community Band kicks off Stars in the Park in Farmington Hills.

From polka to pops

Listen to live music at outdoor community concerts

ing six performers are new to Stars in the Park.

"We always want to support the local groups that everyone asks us to bring back each year, but we also like to keep it fresh," Coumoundouros said. "It's exciting to introduce new performers to the community and draw their fans to Farmington Hills.

New this season are: July 28 — Metro Jazz Voices, with jazzy four-part harmony and a style similar to Manhattan Transfer

Aug. 4 — Five Guys Named Moe, with fast-paced energy and a variety of rock, blues and jazz tunes

Aug. 11 — Stewart Francke, mixes rock and soul Aug. 18 — Arizona Son with Devin Scillian, the WDIV news anchor who was named "Best Country

Performer" at the Detroit Music Awards

Favorites, Rock and Soul on July 7 and Farmington Community Band's Big Band on July 21 round out the schedule.

"The new acts are all excited about coming to Farmington Hills. "They've heard about our park. Some performers in the past have said it's like a mini DTE Music Theatre."

Other summer concert series:

Canton color tour

• 7 p.m. Fridays Various shopping areas

along Ford Road, Canton Bring a lawn chair and enjoy live jazz in this series presented by Canton DDA and the Canton Chamber of Commerce. Here's a list of per formers and show locations:

• July 8: Sheila Landis & Brazilian Love Affair, New Towne Center (Kohls), Purple District

• July 16: John E. Lawrence, Centre Village at Kroger, Yellow District

• July 22: The Kimmie Horne Show, Home Depot, Orange District • July 29: Penny Wells, JC Penney, **Green District**

• Aug. 5: The Brothers Groove, SuperBown, Purple District

• Aug. 12: Randy Scott, Sam's Club, Orange District

• Aug. 19: Thornetta Davis, IKEA, Blue District

• Aug. 26: "RYZ" & Gerald Gibbs, Lowe's, Green District

Concerts in the Park

• 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays • Handy Park, 12121 Hemingway, Redford

Polka the evening away or reminisce about the "Fab Four" during this summer series that offers a little something for every musical taste.

• June 28: Redford Civic Symphony, orchestra

• July 5: Ken E. Grabowski Band, smooth jazz, big band

• July 12: Big Daddy Lackowski, polka

• July 19: Toppermost, Beatles

tribute band • July 26: Dr. Dixie and the Good

Time Band, Dixieland • Aug. 2: Inside Out Band, Motown

• Aug. 9: Sherman Arnold, Elvis impersonator

• Aug. 16: Sun Messengers, rhythm & blues

• Aug. 23: The Missing Links Band, big band

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The Saline Fiddlers will get toes tapping this summer at the Plymouth Community Arts Council's Music in the Park series.





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Disney feature looking for extras

Casting director Tracy Dixon will hold an open call 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.Saturday, June 11, for Oz The Great and Powerful, a Disney feature

The production, directed by former Michigan resident Sam Raimi and starring James Franco, will need thousands of extras when it begins filming in mid-July in southeastern Michigan. The casting call, open to anyone, age 18 and older, will be held at 1999 Centerpoint

Dixon, owner of Casting Associates, in Los Angeles, Calif., is best known for her extras casting on feature films. Her company's credits include Date Night, Four Christmases, The Wedding Crashers, Indiana Jones and The Kingdom of the Crystal Skull and Real Steel.

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Compuware Arena Drive-in Movie Theatre marks its summer grand opening Friday-Saturday, June 10-11 with screenings of Pirates of the Caribbean 4: On Stranger Tides, Kung Fun Panda 2 and The Hangover Part ll.

The drive-in theaters will begin showing films nightly on Monday, June 13. Films for June 13-16 are I Am Number Four, Thor and Bridesmaids.

Admission is \$9 for adults, \$6 for kids, 4-12; and free for kids, 3 and under.

The drive-In is located at 14900 Beck, between 5 Mile and M-14, in Plymouth Township.

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- 6:30 p.m. Mondays in July • Historic Cherry Hill School, 50440 Cherry Hill, Canton
- July 11: Tony Ruda Jazz Ensemble
- July 18: Pelican Pete, one-man band
- July 25: Rich Eddy's Rockin' Oldies Band

Music from the Heart • 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday

Civic Center Park, on 5 Mile east of Farmington Road,

Sponsored by the Livonia Arts Commission and the Livonia Parks & Recreation Department, the concerts are free and include a variety of musical styles. Garage bands will perform July 23 and Aug. 6 the only Saturdays on the schedule.

- July 7: Billy Brandt and Sarana VerLin, "Celticana"
- July 14: Sheila Landis, South American music
- July 21: Livonia Civic Chorus, choral
- July 28: Redhill, country music
- Aug. 4: Jill Jack, Americana
- Aug. 11: Steve King & Dittilies, classic rock
- Aug. 18: Swing City Big Band, big band • Aug. 25: Livonia Symphony Orchestra, classical

- Music in the Air • 7 p.m. Friday
- Kellogg Park, Plymouth

Downtown Plymouth presents this series of concerts that run through Sept. 2, with a break on July 8 for the community's annual Art in the Park program. In case of inclement weather, check out the Downtown Development Authority's Web site at www.downtownplymouth.org or visit facebook.com/plymouthd-

- June 10: The Sound Alternative, playing hits
- June 17: Shawn Riley Band, a Northville group with rock and pop tunes
- June 24: The Crutches, party band with dance tunes
- July 1: Zap Toro, features guitarists Kris Kurzawa and Sean Blackman with bossa
- July 15: Steve King and the Dittlies, rock
- July 2: Gia Warner Band, songwriter, voice artist
- July 2: The Bluescasters, blues
- Aug. 5: Those Delta Rhythm Kings, blues and swing
- Aug. 12.: Michael King & Friends, rock
- Aug. 19: Mass Transit Band, party and hits
- Aug. 26: Randy Brock Group, blues
- Sept. 2: Lady Sunshine and the X Band, soul, funk and R&B

Music in the Park

- Noon, Wednesday
- Kellogg Park, downtown Plymouth

The Plymouth Community Arts Council presents its 27th annual series of family-friendly summer concerts, beginning

In case of inclement weather, the show moves to "The Gathering," a covered space next to the Penn Theater.

- June 22: Josh White, Jr., singer-songwriter
- June 29 and Aug. 17: Guy Louis, Chautaugua Express, a perennial children's favorite
- July 6: Musica Batteria, percussion duo
- July 13: Saline Fiddlers, premier youth fiddling band • July 20: Gemini, sing-along's, folk tales and music from around the world
- July 27: Biakuye Percussion Group, percussion • Aug. 3: Mr. Seley & the Troublemakers, fun children's songs
- Aug. 10: Barbara Bailey Hutchinson, singer-songwriter • Aug. 24: Beverly Meyer "The Music Lady," children's songs
- Plymouth Community Band

• 7:30 p.m., Thursday, June 16-30; July 14-28

• Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth

Thursday Night Concerts

- 7:30-9 p.m. Thursday • Heritage Park, Heritage Park drive, south of Cherry Hill,
- west of Canton Center, in Canton Canton Leisure Services presents music at the amphitheater.

Bring a blanket or folding chair and check the Canton Leisure Services Facebook page for rain dates.

- June 16: Zooropa, U2 tribute band
- June 23: Steve King & The Dittilies rock
- June 30: All Directions, jazz, blues
- July 7: Toppermost, Beatles tribute
- July 14: Big Will & the 360 Degree Band , top 40, dance and R&B • July 21: Robin Horlock Trio, rock, classic rock
- July 28: Annabelle Road, country, rock
- Aug. 4: Persuasion, Mowtown, funk, disco

Westland Summer Concerts

• 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday

• Library pavilion, 6123 Central City Parkway, Westland Friends of the Westland Public Library will hold 50-50 raffles during the series, which will kick off on June 16. In case of inclement weather, performers and fans head into the library. June 16: Westland's own Waco Country Band, country, rock

June 23: Gratitude Steel Band, steel drum

June 30: Stolen Moments, smooth pop, rock

July 7: Pam and Scott, pop vocals July 21: Novi Concert Band, symphonic wind ensemble

July 28: Sheila Landis Trio, jazz vocal, guitar

Aug. 4: Bill Bynum & Co., country, folk

Aug. 11: Toppermost, Beatles tribute band



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Five Guys Named Moe will perform this summer at Stars in the Park in-Farmington Hills.

ART

Art & Ideas

Time/Date: Through July 2; gallery hours are 1-6:30 p.m. Thursday and 1-7 p.m. Friday-Saturday or by appointment

Location: 15095 Northville Road, Plymouth Details: "Parts of a Whole," an exhibition of assemblage, includes works by Lynn Krawczyk and Leann Meixner, both of Plymouth, and Joan Potter Thomas, manager of Northville Art House.

Contact: (734) 420-0775 or www.artandideasgallery.com Art in the Sun

Time/Date: 4-9 p.m., Friday, June 24, 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Saturday, June 25; and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, June 26

Location: Downtown Northville Details: More than 75 artists sell glass, metal, jewelry, mixed media, ceramics, painting and

Contact: (248) 344-0497

Art from the Heart

Time/Date: 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturday, June 25 and 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, June 26 **Location**: Ford Field, Farmington Road and

Lyndon in Livonia Details: Arts & Crafts festival held in conjunc-

tion with Livonia Spree **Contact**: www.livoniaspree.com or call Livonia Arts Commission "bulletin board" phone line at

Northville Art House

(734) 466-2548

Time/Date: 1-5 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, through June 25

Location: 215 W. Cady, Northville Details: "West of Center" art show; all media Contact: (248) 344-0497 or visit www.northvillearts.org.

Village Theater

Time/Date: Through June 28 **Location**: 50400 Cherry Hill, Canton **Details**: Photography by John Middlestead is on display in Gallery@VT Contact: (734) 394-5300

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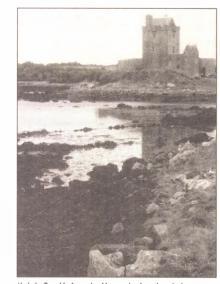
Time/Date: Various show times Wednesdays thru Sundays

Location: 261 E. Nine Mile, Ferndale Details: Improv most nights. Open mic/jam session show for improvisers is 10 p.m. Wednesdays

Contact: (248) 327-0575; gocomedy.net

JD's House of Comedy

Time/Date: Various show times Wednesday-



'Irish Castle' and other photos by John Middlestead are on display through June 28 at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton.

Saturday evenings

Location: 25333 W. 12 Mile, inside Star Theatre complex, Southfield

Details: Stand-up shows, 8 p.m. Thursday and 8 p.m., 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday; Apollo amateur night, 8 p.m. Wednesday

Contact: (248) 348-2420 or www.ticketmaster.

Joey's Comedy Club of Livonia

Time/Date: 8 p.m. Mondays, open Mic; 8 p.m. Tuesdays, Local Legends; 8 p.m. shows Wednesdays, Thursdays; 8 p.m. & 10:30 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays

Location: 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia **Details**: Steve Lott, June 8-10; Dave Dyer, June 15-18; Frank Roche, June 25-28; Ladies Night of Comedy, June 29; Mike Stanley with Mary Ann Demoss and Floyd the Washboard Comic, June 30-July 2; The Dirty Comedy Show, July 6: Isaac Witty with Paul Strickland, July 7-10; Bill Bushart with Trevor Smith and Leee Smith, July 13-16; Steve Sabo with Kris Peters and Brett Kline, July 20-23; Bryan Mcree with Kate Brindle and Nate Armbruster, July 27

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Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle

Time/Date: Allan Goodwin, June 9-11; Nathan Timmel, June 16-18; James Johann, June 23-25; Dwayne Gill, June 30-July 2; Warren B. Hall, July 7-9; Steve Lott, July 14-16; J. Chris Newberg, July 21-23; Cy Amundson, July 28-30; Eric Hunter, Aug. 4-6

Location: 269 E. Fourth, Royal Oak Contact: (248) 542-9900, www.comedycastle.



The Kreellers will perform 8:30-11 p.m. Thursday, June 23 at Livonia Spree.

CONCERTS

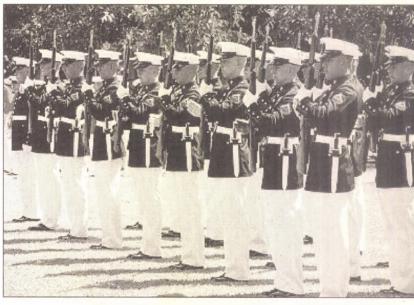
Time/Date: Eliza Gilkyson and Sunny War, June 9; Bell X1, June 10; The RFD Boys, June 11; Mississippi Heat, June 12; The Hot Club of Cowtown, June 14; The Boxcars, June 15, Ivan & Alyosha, June 16; Paul Thorn, June 17; Christine Lavin and Don White, June 18; The Deanna Bogart Band, June 19; Guitar Shorty, June 20; Jimmie Dale Gilmore and the Wronglers, June 22; Lloyd Cole, June 23; Livingston Taylor, June 24; Annie and Rod Capps and Jason Dennie, June 25; The Waymores, June 26; J.D. Souther and Jill Andrews, June 27; Sara Swenson and Red Tail Ring, June 28; Stewart Francke, June 30; Andre Williams & Jon Langford, July 1; Dave Alvin & the Guilty Ones, July 2; Boulder Acoustic Society, July 6; Zoe Muth & the Lost High Rollers, July 7; Gandalf Murphy & the Slambovian Circus of Dreams, July 8; Shawn Phillips, July 9; Tom Rush, July 10; Jolie Holland & Sallie Ford and the Sound Outside; July 11; Terrance Simien & the Zydeco Experience, July 12; Open Stage, July 13; The Tartan Terrors, July 14; Chris Bathgate & Abigail Stauffer, July 15; Steve Forbert, July 16; Sierra Maestra, July 17; Junior Brown, July 24; Danny Britt & Marvin Dykhuis, July 25; Michael on Fire, July 26; Marc Cohn, July 27

Location: 316 South Main, Ann Arbor **Contact**: (734) 763-8587; www.theark.org

Jazz @ The Elks

Time/Date: 7-10:30 p.m., every fourth Tuesday **Location**: Plymouth Elks Lodge #1780 at 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth

Details: Jazz musicians perform and complimentary hors d'oeuvres are served; donation \$5.



The U.S. Marine Corps Silent Drill Platoon will perform at Canton Liberty Fest, Saturday,

Contact: (734) 453-1780 www. PlymouthElks1780.com

Kellogg Park

Time/Date: 7 p.m. June 3 **Location**: Downtown Plymouth

Details: The Sound Alternative, June 10; Shawn Riley Band, June 17: The Crutches, June 24: Zap Toro, July 1; Steve King and the Dittlies, July 15; Gia Warner Band, July 22; The Bluescasters, July 20; Those Delta Rhythm Kings, Aug. 5; Michael King & Friends, Aug. 12; Mass Transit Band, Aug. 19; Randy Brock Group, Aug. 26; Lady Sunshine

Contact: (734) 455-1453 **Trinity House Theatre**

and the X Band, Sept. 2

Time/Date: Around the House, June 10-11; Edie Carey with Jeff Scott, June 17; Michael on Fire and Billy Brandt, June 18; Jack Williams, June 19; Buddy Greene with Jeff Taylor, June 24; Kerosene Halo featuring Mike Roe and Derri Daugherty, July 8; Mr. B's Joy Box Express, July 12; Shari Kane and Dave Steele, July 16; Michael Fracasso with The Potter's Field, July 29; Jennie DeVoe, Aug. 12

Location: 38840 W. Six Mile, Livonia Contact: (734) 464-6302, www.trinityhouse.org

FESTIVAL

Canton Liberty Fest

Time/Date: 5-10 p.m. Thursday, June 16; 1-11 p.m. Friday, June 17; 10:30 a.m.-11 p.m. Saturday,

Location: Heritage Park, Heritage Park Drive, west of Canton Center, south of Cherry Hill, Canton

Details: In addition to food, fireworks, carnival, and exhibits, live entertainment will include

Zooropa, a U2 Tribute Band, 7:30-9 p.m. June 16, Canton LIVE stage; Axis Music Academy musicians, 1-6 p.m. June 17, Canton LIVE stage; Rick Leider Leider's Marley-ritaville Band, 4-6 p.m. June 17, Amphitheater Stage; Piano Man - A Tribute to Elton John & Billy Joel, 8-10 p.m. June 17, Canton LIVE stage; Robin Horlock, 6-7 p.m. June 17, Amphitheater Stage; Jasen Magic Show, 7-7:45 p.m. June 17, Ampitheater Stage; Canton International Stage Acts, 11 a.m.-6:30 p.m. June 18, Canton LIVE stage; Village Theater and community artists, 11:30-7 p.m. June 18, Amphitheater Stage; United States Marine Corps Silent Drill Platoon, 6 p.m. June 18, Amphitheater Stage; Michigan Philharmonic, 6:45-7:10 p.m. June 18, Ampitheater Stage; and Motown Rockin' Review, 8:15-10 p.m. June 18, Ampitheater Stage

Contact: cantonlibertyfest.com

Livonia Spree

Time/Date: Opens at 4 p.m. Tuesday, June 21; 2 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, June 22-23; noon, Saturday-Sunday June 24-25

Location: Ford Field at Farmington Road and

Lyndon in Livonia **Details**: The week-long birthday party for the city includes food, games, a carnival, fireworks, the "Art from the Heart," exhibit and live music including Battle of the Bands, 5-10:30 p.m. June 21; Killer Flamingos, 7-11 p.m. June 22; Boogie Dynomite, 7-11 p.m. June 23; The Kreellers, 8:30-11 p.m. June 23; Annabelle Road, 7-11 p.m. June 24; Square Pegz, 7-11 p.m. June 24; The 338th Army Band, 12:30 p.m. June 24; Livonia Youth Choir, 2-3 p.m. June 24; Mega 80's, 7-11 p.m. June 24; Jane Doe, 7-11 p.m. June 24; Scoot Magoo, 7-11 p.m. June 25; and 7 Play, 7-11 p.m. June 25 Contact: www.livoniaspree.com

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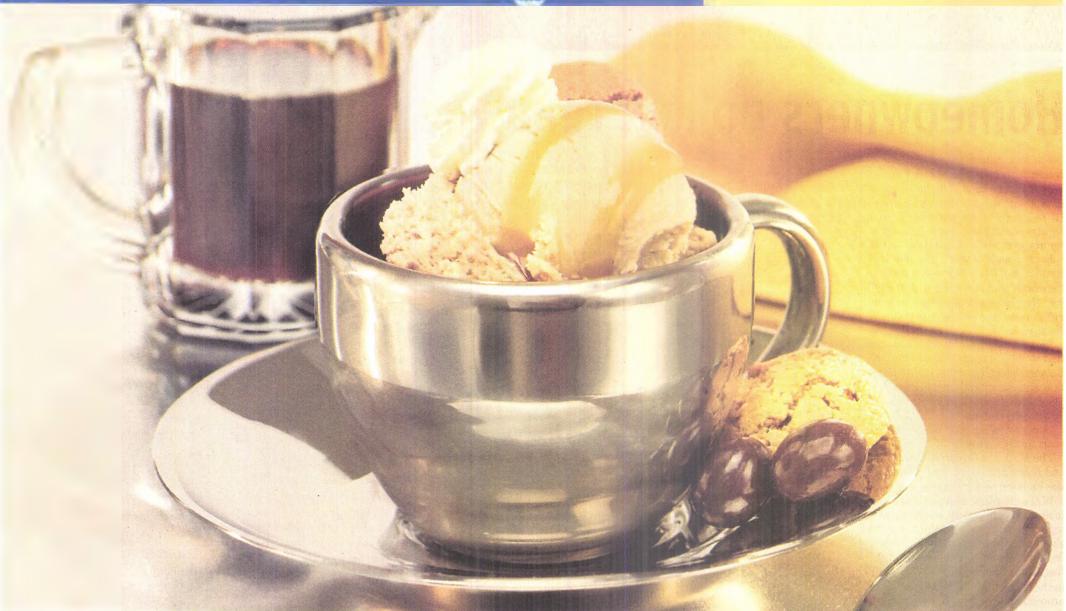
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Mini Coffee Ice Cream Sundae

THE SCOOP ON Jundaes

undaes are sweet, but maybe it's time for something sensational. Gale Gand, renowned pastry chef and mother of three, has partnered with Breyers to put a creative twist on the classic ice cream sundae.

She says that one of the secrets of a fantastic sundae is to start with high-quality ice cream as your base.

Gand offers these other 10 tips:

- Using store-bought ingredients makes sundaemaking fast and easy. You can always doll things up, like dissolve some instant coffee in a little hot water and stir it into store-bought caramel sauce to make a coffee-caramel drizzle.
- Using whole nuts and dried fruit for add-ins can give your sundae extra texture and a big crunch.
- 3. Roll scoops of ice cream in any kind of crumbs, crunched cereal or chocolate milk powder for an ice cream "truffle."
- Use mini containers like egg cups, espresso cups and cordial glasses to make mini sundaes. 5. Make a quickie tresn-irun topping 2, your favorite berries with a little white or brown
- 6. To keep your ice cream from melting as fast, freeze your sundae bowls or dessert dishes overnight.
- 7. To make your scoops more perfect-looking, dip your ice cream scoop in hot water in between
- 8. Use two or more man and flair. . Use two or more flavors of ice cream in a sundae to
- . Simply tucking a cookie next to a scoop of ice
- cream, standing up, can really dress it up. 10. Create an exotic-looking sundae by using a wooden skewer to thread fruit onto, and then stick it into a scoop of ice cream. Use things like berries, ripe peach wedges and banana slices. For more tips and recipes, visit www.breyers.com or www.facebook.com/breyers.



Snow Ball Sundae

Spaghetti and Meatball Sundae

ICE CREAM LOLLIPOPS

8 lollipops Prep Time: 15 minutes Freeze Time: 30 minutes 2 cups Breyers Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough ice cream

chocolate-fudge flavor ice cream topping that freezes pink or rainbow sprinkles

Freeze plate 30 minutes. Scoop 8 balls ice cream and place on chilled plate. Insert a wooden stick into each ball and freeze at least 30

minutes. Meanwhile, pour ice cream topping into bowl. Dip frozen balls into ice cream topping, twirling to coat. Quickly decorate with sprinkles. Keep frozen until ready to serve.

Courtesy of Family Features





MINI COFFEE ICE CREAM SUNDAES

Prep Time: 25 minutes 2 cups Breyers Coffee ice cream

salted caramel sauce

almond whipped cream

1 shot espresso coffee 4 amaretti cookies

chocolate-covered coffee beans

Arrange 2 (1/4-cup) scoops ice cream in 4 demitasse coffee cups. Drizzle with salted caramel sauce, then top with almond whipped cream. Pour a little espresso into each cup, then garnish with cookies and coffee beans.

For salted caramel sauce, bring 3/4 cup sugar and ¼ cup water to a boil over high heat in heavy-duty saucepan until caramel-colored. Remove from heat, then slowly stir in ½ cup whipping or heavy cream. Let cool, then stir in ¼ teaspoon kosher salt. Let stand at room temperature until ready to use.

To make almond whipped cream, whip ½ cup whipping or heavy cream, I teaspoon sugar and 2 drops almond extract in mixing bowl with electric mixer until soft peaks form. Chill until ready to serve.

SNOW BALL SUNDAES

4 servings

Prep Time: 15 minutes

Freeze Time: 30 minutes 2 cups Breyers Mint Chocolate Chip ice

8 slices (1-1/2 inches thick) store-bought

angel food cake ¼ cup hot fudge topping, warmed

½ cup marshmallow creme, melted

chocolate sprinkles

Freeze plate 30 minutes. Make 4 (1/2-cup) scoops ice cream and arrange on chilled plate. Place 1 ice cream ball on 1 cake slice, then

top with second cake slice. Shape cake around ice cream to encase it, using your hands to completely cover ice cream. Return to freezer until ready to serve. Repeat with remaining ice cream and cake.

To serve, arrange snow balls in 4 dessert bowls. Top with hot fudge topping, then marshmallow creme and sprinkles.

TIP: Easily melt marshmallow creme in a glass measuring cup in the microwave.

SPAGHETTI AND MEATBALL SUNDAES

4 servings

Prep Time: 30 minutes Freeze Time: 30 minutes

12 small scoops Breyers Rocky Road ice

1 cup chocolate sandwich cookie crumbs

2 cups strawberries, trimmed 2 tablespoons sugar

1 cup Breyers Natural Vanilla ice cream,

2 store-bought shortbread cookies, crushed

Freeze plate 30 minutes. For meatballs, arrange Rocky Road ice cream scoops on chilled plate. Place chocolate cookie crumbs on another plate. Roll scoops, one at a time, in cookie

crumbs, then return to chilled plate

until ready to serve. For sauce, mash strawberries with sugar in medium bowl using potato masher or fork to make chunky sauce. Stir in additional sugar if desired.

To build sundaes, press vanilla ice cream through potato ricer into 4 dessert bowls for spaghetti. Top each with 3 meatballs, then sauce. Top with crushed shortbread cookie cheese. Serve with a fork.

If a potato ricer is not available, simply scoop ice cream into bowls.

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Homeowners policy: read the fine print Seek pro's

Jeff Juenemann, owner of Juenemann Insurance Agency in Westland, has been in business a number of years and knows insurance. He recommends homeowners keep in regular contact with their insurance agency, even if there's no claim to file.

Every couple of years, you should contact your agent "to review it with somebody that's familiar with the policy." New hobbies/collections, or new gift purchases could require policy changes, he said.

"See if there are additional changes that should be made to the policy." A finished basement equals more protection against water damage, for example, said Juenemann, a Northville Township resident.

"A review every year, every couple of years, makes sense."

The Michigan Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation offers these tips on homeowners insurance:

When choosing a homeowners insurance policy, most people think more about the value of the house than about their possessions inside. When deciding the amount of coverage one needs, it is best to know all the "stuff" in the home that warrants special protections. The first step toward figuring out how much coverage you need is to take stock of what you have. Documenting possessions allows you to fully protect and replace your valuables if something happens.

OFIRS's 10 steps to complete a home inventory are below:

1. Make a list of possessions, including "celebration" purchases, such as jewelry and fine art.

2. Think about family heirlooms, collections and furniture. Also, consider items related to everyday leisure time, from flat-screen televisions to custom guitars.

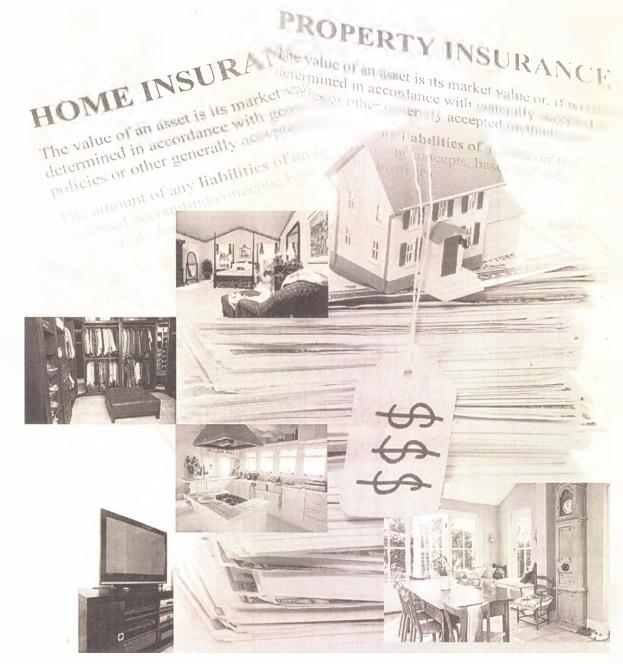
3. Take note of commonplace items, such as toys, DVDs, CDs and clothing. And, do not forget items you may only use occasionally, such as holiday decorations, sports equipment, tools, and high-ticket items kept outside your home, such as landscape and swing

4. Attach copies of original sales receipts and/or appraisal documents to your inventory. Be sure to note model and serial numbers.

5. Group your possessions into logical categories, i.e. by hobby, by room in your house.

6. Carefully photograph or videotape each item and document a brief description, including age, purchase price and estimated current value.

7. Remember to open drawers and closets to document what is inside.



8. Store your home inventory and related documents in a safe, easily accessible place, such as a secured site/file online, a fire-proof box or in a safe deposit box. You may want to share a copy with your insurance provider to make necessary updates to

9. Review and update your inventory annually and anytime you make a significant purchase.

10. To get started, you can check out the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' simple home inventory checklist at www.insureuonline. org/home_inventory_checklist.pdf.

"Expensive or fragile or subject to weird stuff such as power surge," said Juenemann of items in need of special attention. Policies generally don't cover losing items, breaking items or

a power surge. Cameras and computers may have breakage/power outage issues to consider with your insurance agent, he said.

"If you're nervous about it, you can address it separately on that homeowners policy."

Hobby equipment is not limited in the policy in any way. "Heirlooms again you may want to insure them for a stated value. We don't pay for sentimental value." You can insure for collectible value by listing such items separately.

'We get people that lose DVDs out of vehicles. You make a list and include them in their claims and you get new

Typically you don't need receipts "unless the insurance company thinks you're committing fraud." Others

who've visited your home will know about your possessions. "It's rare that people have receipts." Appraisals are good for descriptions, Juenemann said, but typically not necessary from an insurance company's point of view.

Few people actually photograph or videotape their possessions, although such a tape can be a valuable reminder when filing a claim. "There probably were 50 shirts hanging there, 10 of which I wear. It would be a great memory tool," Juenemann said with a

If making an inventory, "It should definitely be kept in an alternate location. If the house burns, you lose the backup also."

Staff writer Julie Brown contributed to this

HOMES SOLD-WAYNE

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of March 1-4, 2011, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office, Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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35600 Pheasant Ln	\$73,000
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HOMES SOLD-OAKLAND

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Feb. 22-25, 2011, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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Birmingham	
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RE/MAX kudos

The Real Trends reporting recently released ranks RE/MAX Classic as one of the Top 10 brokerages nationwide for Closed Transaction Sides Per Associate.

The news released in May 2011 reaffirms the business are one of the leaders in the industry for productivity of agents. The report by Real Trends lends credibility to the RE/MAX slogan "Nobody in the World Sells More Real Estate than RE/MAX," reporting RE/MAX rankings with 21 out of the 25 Top Brokerages nationwide achieving this top recognition.

Carol Boji, broker/owner of RE/ MAX Classic, attributes the success of her agents to "our ongoing training and continued support of our Realtors." Boji said, "We're at the top of the scale when it comes to striving to be the best at what we do. Our management staff continues to excel in providing our Realtors with the newest technology and latest industry and market information available to succeed in providing the best service available."

\$353,000

\$335,000

\$270,000

"Our agents averaged 27.1 Closed Transactions in 2010, quite a feat considering the challenges of the market," Boji said. "Adjusting to the current housing market needs and trends and continued education along with the great tools RE/MAX provides our agents allows them to lead the competition. The Real Trends 500 report is a meaningful measure of recognition to support this. We congratulate our agents and staff on a job well done!"

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advice on financing

Q: Our board doesn't seem to know anything about the new FHA rules or Freddle Mac or Fannie Mae and doesn't seem to care. Do you have any comments?

A: It can be said that borrowers who want to buy a condominium run into two problems when getting a mortgage on a condominium: high costs and strict standards



that make it hard to qualify for a loan. Now, of course, among other things, the condominium association has to qualify and Robert Meisner the borrower has little or no control

over the latter. Lenders follow condo-mortgage guidelines from the Federal Housing Administration, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. Among Freddie Mac's requirements: more than half of the condos must be owner occupied; no owner may own more than 10) percent of the units; no more than 15 percent of the owners can be delinquent in condo dues; all amenities must be completed if the development is more than 12 months old; and, buyers who make a down payment of less than 25 percent will have to pay an additional 0.75 percent of the loan amount at the closing or a higher interest rate of amount 0.25 percent. FHA has much friendlier down payment requirements but strict guidelines for condo associations. The bottom line is that your association should take whatever steps are necessary to get approval for whatever type of governmentinsured financing that is

Q: We own some front lots separated from a lake by a public road created by dedication on the subdivision plat. However, certain back lot owners have used the waterfront in front of our homes to maintain docks and store boats. We are wondering if we can stop them from doing so? A: In a case under similar

facts, the appellate court explained that the subdivision plat vested the County with a "fee" in the road under the State Plat Act, but this interest is a base fee conveying only nominal title, not title in the nature of private ownership. Moreover, the court reasoned that such title is expressly limited by the terms of the dedication, that is, the right of passage and use is incidental to public travel and no other. The court stated that the developer did not reserve riparian rights on the plat and such rights were not necessary for road purposes. Second, although normally the interposition of a fee title between the upland and the water destroys riparian rights, or rather transfers them to the interposing owner, those riparian rights remain intact when the property is separated from the water solely by a public street. Therefore, the court indicated that the dedication of a parallel road that separated the front lots from the water did not divest those lot owners of riparian rights. This is obviously complex and requires a good real estate lawyer's evaluation.

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, Call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@meisnerassociates.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

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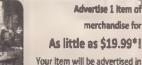
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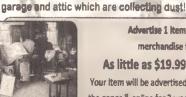
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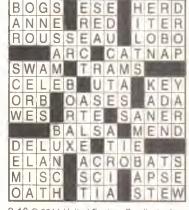
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CANTON Forest Brook Sub Sale June 9, 10, & 11, 9am-5pm Corner of Sheldon & Palmer CANTON - 41657 Greenwood behind Ikea. HUGE, multi-family, Thurs & Fri 9-5, Sat 9-1.

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CANTON: Ravenstield Condo wide Garage Sale. Fri. & Sat June 10-11, 9-4. On Geddes btwn. Beck & Denton. Something for Everyone!

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GARDEN CITY 32492 Kathryn St. 10-11, 9-4pm. Furniture: Longaberger: bedding: mattresses; electronics; clothina: tovs: kitchen items: bicy-

GARDEN CITY ESTATE SALE: 31335 Rosslyn, Cherry Hill/ Merriman area. Fri 8-5; Sat. 8-1. Nice Furniture, lots of household misc.

cle; books and more!

GARDEN CITY Garage/Estate Sale 32669 Donnelly Sat., 6/11, 8am-4pm Sun., 6/12, 8am-1pm Medical equip, household collection music/movie tools, chipper, Intex pool

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June 9,10,11, 9am-5pm 31718 Grennada, W/Merriman & N/96. Household & teacher items, girl's clothes 0-5T. toys, furniture & more!

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creek Sub, off 8 Mile

LIVONIA: Garage Sale. June 9 & 10, 9-4, 33070 Barkley, Kimberly Oaks Sub. E. of Farmington, S. of 5 Mile. LIVONIA: HUGE Garage Sale!

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of 5 Mile Rd. Take Perth, right

on Stonehouse, left on Mason

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niture & household, misc.

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LIVONIA: Yard Sale. June 9-12, 9-4pm. 35001 Hees. S. off Ann Arbor Trail, W. of Wayne. Carpet, lots of baby stuff, many misc. items.

NORTHVILLE Sale Sat., 9am-3pm. 47085 Seven Mile. Thomas, Longaberger, cd's, books, clothing, sports. NORTHVILLE/SALEM TWPlousehold & children's, deco

clothing furniture books

antiques & collectibles, chick en coupe, Wave runner. 6/9-6 11, 10-5pm. 8510 Stonegate Dr., NW corner of 6 & Angle NOVI - SUB SALE Briarwood Village 10 Mile & Beck Rd.

June 9, 10 & 11 QAM - 4PM NOVI- Fri & Sat. 6/10-6/11, 9-4pm. 1331 S Lake Dr., 3 miles NW from 12 Oaks Mall. 2 family. Dept 56 homes, water toys, many household goods

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NOVI- Furniture: chairs, bdrm

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June 10-11, 9-4pm. 11908 Deer Creek Cir

off Powell, btwn Beck & Ridge

in Deer Creek Sub. PLYMOUTH- 40803 Firwood. Off Haggerty Rd, btwn Ann Arbor Rd & Ann Arbor Trl. 6/9-6/11, 9-4pm. A little bit of everything.

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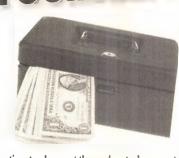


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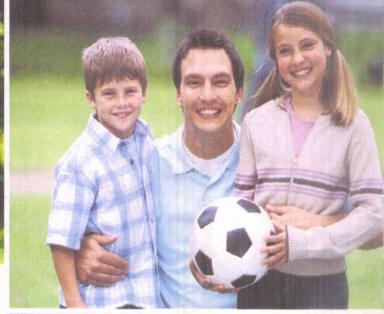
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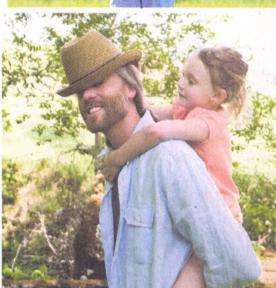
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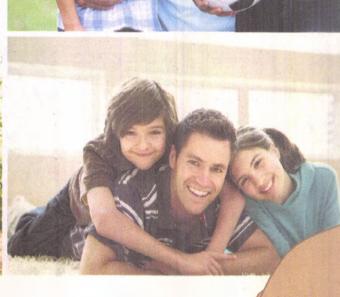
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