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## Budget cuts could hit teachers, TAG buses

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

As many as four dozen teachers could receive layoff notices this coming week as the Plymouth-Canton Schools Board of Education is expected to approve the reduction of teaching staff, which must contractually be done by the end of April.

Plymouth-Canton Schools Interim Superintendent Ken Jacobs has proposed eliminating 26 full-time teaching positions as part of a plan to cut \$3 million from the 2008-09 budget. However, because some are part-time positions, trustees Tuesday night could

vote to lay off almost twice as many teachers to get to that number.

"The number I'm looking at is about 40-50 teachers," said Ray Bihun, executive director of human resources, to the board earlier this past week. "That's because a lot of these reductions are part-time reductions. There are seven people coming back from leave, four job shares that are being dissolved ... all those come into play. We do have seven retirements, so that helps, but they're not necessarily in the right places."

East Middle School math and science teacher Stephanie Fendrick, who is expecting her pink slip next week, urged board members to stay away from layoffs

### WHAT DO YOU THINK?

What do you think about the Plymouth-Canton Schools plan to reduce the budget by \$3 million? Tell us your thoughts by e-mailing Editor Kurt Kuban at [kkuban@hometownlife.com](mailto:kkuban@hometownlife.com) or post a comment on our Web site at [www.hometownlife.com](http://www.hometownlife.com).

and increasing class sizes to balance the budget.

"The continued layoff of teachers and the reduction in the teacher workforce is not the long-term solution to what looks like long-term budget problems," said Fendrick. "For the sake of keeping class

sizes manageable ... please try as hard as possible to not reduce the teacher workforce."

Jacobs has also recommended the elimination of busing for Talented and Gifted students to the magnet program at Miller Elementary, saving the district \$37,000. More than a dozen TAG parents were at Tuesday's meeting to implore trustees not to implement the proposed cut.

"If busing is eliminated for these elementary students we run the risk of eroding the very foundation of this program, that all TAG-qualified students have access to the program regardless of their background," said Jennifer Lafata

of Plymouth, who has a fifth-grade TAG student and is chair of the TAG Advisory Committee. "I've heard from dozens of TAG families who fear the elimination of busing would jeopardize their child's ability to participate in TAG."

The Board of Education will discuss the budget, which has a \$4.1 million shortfall, 6 p.m. Tuesday. Among the proposed cuts are the elimination of 24 special education paraprofessionals, reduction in weekend high school athletic transportation as well as a number of fee increases to generate revenue for the budget.

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Sephora's Laura Barrera helps a customer at the new J.C. Penney. She listens closely to the customer's preferences, then suggests fragrances.

## Getting away from the mall

New J.C. Penney store stands alone to fit into Canton

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

If D.R. Brown had any doubts about whether J.C. Penney would work in Canton, they have been quashed by the mass gathering of women oohing and aahing in the store's beauty boutique. "Sephora has been a big hit," said Brown, J.C. Penney district manager, of the popular cosmetics store located within J.C. Penney. "People used to have to go to Novi or (the) Somerset (Collection) and it is absolutely awesome the way customers have respond-

Please see **STORE, A4**



J.C. Penney's American Living collections are a division of Ralph Lauren Polo.

## As temps rise so do car break-ins

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Ice cream sales aren't the only thing that spike once the weather breaks.

"Every municipality in southeastern Michigan suffers the same thefts," said Canton Sgt. Rick Pomorski. "Car hopping increases when the weather is warm and during spring break and summer break."

As the township's most recurring crime, Pomorski said the police department has taken steps toward preventing car break-ins but said once the crime has been committed it's often difficult to catch the thieves.

"There are several groups out there," he said, adding that adults tend to target commercial areas while teens often car hop in residential neighborhoods.

Township resident Jennifer Flogaus has been the target of car hopping three times.

"I have young children, so it's one thing to deal with stranger danger living in suburbia, but it's another thing to have crime happen in your driveway while you're at home," she said.

Last year, Flogaus, a Sunflower subdivision resident, said both her car and her husband's vehicle were broken into.

Although nothing was stolen from either vehicle on that date, the car seats that were inside were moved to their trunks. Sometime later, Flogaus said a portable DVD player was stolen from her car.

Last weekend, Flogaus believes the same thief took the laptop issued to her by her employer.

"I know it's my own fault because I left my car unlocked, but this is a shame," she said, adding that in addition to the laptop, her digital camera was taken along with the portable DVD

Pomorski encouraged those with information on car hopping circles to contact the police department at (734) 394-5400. He also said that if homeowners see or hear suspicious activity, they should dial 9-1-1. "Call right away," he said. "A lot of times, people may feel they are bothering us but we want to catch these people."

player she put in her car to replace the one stolen last year.

"The only thing I would say to these kids is that they need to get involved with the community," Flogaus said. "There are plenty of activities for children in Canton and Plymouth."

While Pomorski said the police department wants people to feel comfortable at their own homes, he stressed the need to lock car doors and keep valuables out of sight.

"With the reports we get, many are not by forced entry," he said. "People have to lock their doors and keep articles they cherish in the trunk or in their home."

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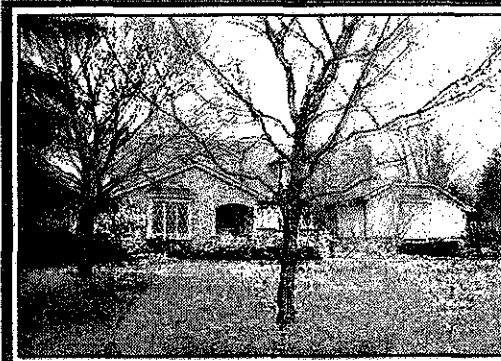
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To keep up to date with the area, residents can also register for the township's Silent Partner Alert System. For more information, call (734) 394-5424.

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# Passing on the passion

## Scouting helps top volunteer become a leader

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

As a child, Dave Berger just wanted to go camping. But as his simple quest for fun morphed into character building, he's developed a passion for passing it along to other youngsters.

Berger, 46, of Plymouth has been selected as one of 15 recipients of the Boy Scouts of America Silver Beaver Award for 2008. The honor is being presented to him by the Detroit Area Council.

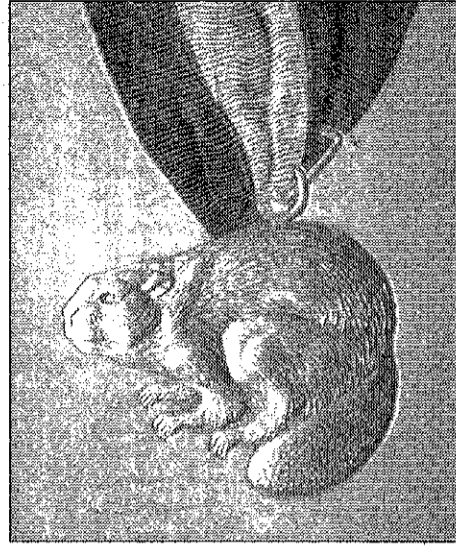
"This was a surprise," said Berger, whose wife, Tina, is also a Scouting volunteer. "My sons are psyched because they think it's cool their dad is getting this."

The Silver Beaver is the highest recognition a council can give one of its volunteers.

Berger, whose 12-year-old son, Sam, is in Scouting, has been a Webelos den leader, assistant Scout master, district commissioner and has participated in various training programs with the organization.

"I joined because the troop gave me opportunities to go camping," he says. "But I learned that as I was having fun, I was learning how to become a leader."

Berger, who grew up near Buffalo, became an Eagle Scout at 17 and con-



The Silver Beaver is the highest award a volunteer can receive from a local Boy Scout council.

### THE BERGER FILE

**Name:** Dave Berger  
**Age:** 46  
**Occupation:** Engineer  
**Family:** Wife, Tina, two sons, Benjamin and Samuel  
**Scouting activities:** Den leader, Cub leader, district commissioner

Berger, who has also been a Cub Scout leader, said he hasn't donated his time in an effort to get recognized.

"This is the highest honor a council can give so I am deeply honored to be chosen," he said. "I have just wanted to be able to give back a little something to the organization."

Amy Casey, a district executive with the Detroit Area Council, said Berger has made a lasting impact on Scouting.

"He is dedicated to everything that he does and he puts his whole heart into it," said Casey, noting that Berger reorganized Pack 743 of Allen Elementary. "He is such a nice guy and we obviously appreciate everything that he has done."

continued volunteering with local troops throughout his college career. He got his first opportunity at being a parent volunteer when his oldest son, Benjamin, 14, briefly joined the organization.

Sam is now a member of Troop 1539 out of Fiegel Elementary.

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Dave Berger will receive the Silver Beaver Award for his service to the local council of the Boy Scouts of America.

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### AROUND CANTON

#### Business tax to be discussed

Local businesses will be able to discuss concerns with Michigan's business tax (MBT) with state Rep. Phil LaJoy and other state representatives during a town hall meeting at 10:30 a.m., April 28 at the Canton Administrative Building located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

"Michigan businesses are struggling to afford the MBT and it is my hope that by hosting this town hall we will be able to speak to business owners and hear their concerns," said LaJoy, R-Canton. "Businesses are struggling. Let's find out where the problems are."

Local businesses are invited to attend this meeting where MBT concerns will take center stage.

#### Fishing derby

On Saturday, May 3, Canton residents are invited to participate in the annual Family Fishing Derby in Heritage Park, located west of Canton Center Road and south of Cherry Hill Road, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

This year's derby will allow the entire family to fish the large pond at Heritage Park, which will be stocked with 1,500 rainbow trout specifically for this event. No fishing license is required, but proof of Canton residency must be provided. Participants must also provide their own fishing equipment and bait. There is a \$5 fee per participant that will be collected on site. Each participant will have a three fish limit.

No advance registration is needed. For more information on Canton's Family Fishing Derby, visit [leisure.cantonmi.org](http://leisure.cantonmi.org) or call (734) 394-5460.

#### answer forum.

Guests who attend can also take part in a series of health screenings including carotid artery, abdominal aorta, leg circulation, full lipid blood cholesterol and an electrocardiogram (EKG) all for \$50 - a total savings of \$189 if you attend the event.

A free heart healthy dinner will be served and door prizes will be given away. Space is limited. To reserve your spot by April 28, call (800) 543.WELL (9355) or visit [www.oakwood.org](http://www.oakwood.org).

#### Vehicle buying seminar

Telcom Credit Union will host its Vehicle Buying Seminar from 6-8 p.m., April 29 at its Canton branch, 44300 Warren Road.

This seminar will help you make the most of your money in these tough economic times. Come and learn about simple effective negotiating techniques, how to understand the fine print in new car ads, when it makes more sense to lease than buy, how to save even more money if you get an employee discount, and more. For more information or to make a reservation call Tom Swan at (248) 784-7360.

#### Elephant and bake sale

The Canton Place Seniors are hosting a White Elephant and Bake sale on Saturday, May 3, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Community Room at 44505 Ford Road (corner of Ford and Sheldon). The public is invited to attend. Among the featured items are jew-

elry and a recumbent bicycle. Homemade baked goods and lunch are available for purchase. Proceeds benefit the Canton Place Resident Association.

#### National Prayer Day

Members of the Canton community and surrounding areas are invited to join Canton residents and leaders on Thursday, May 1 from 12:15-1 p.m. for the National Day of Prayer. The rally will be held outside at the Veteran's Memorial Flagpole on Veterans Way located behind the Canton Municipal Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road. Tens of thousands of prayer events are planned across the country to honor the 57th annual National Day of Prayer.

For more information call Jane Terkoski at (734) 495-3219.

#### Leisure Services sign-up

Canton residents can begin registering for Spring/Summer 2008 Leisure Services programs and classes starting Wednesday, April 30 at 6 p.m. Residents can register online at <http://leisure.canton-mi.org> or in person with a Fast Pass, which is available for pickup beginning Tuesday, April 29 at 5:30 a.m. at the Summit front desk. Proof of residency will be required for in person registration at the Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway. Online registration is currently for Canton residents only. Complete course descrip-

tions for classes ranging from aquatics, arts and entertainment, health and wellness, and enrichment are listed in the Discover catalog, which residents received earlier this month. Participants are encouraged to register early as space is limited for all classes and programs. Those who are not Canton residents may register in person for classes five days prior to class start date, if space is available.

For more information call (734) 394-5460.

#### First Friday series

The Village Theater At Cherry Hill will be hosting four songwriters on one night for their First Friday Series that takes place the first Friday of each month throughout the season.

On Friday May 2, at 8 p.m., the show will be a songwriters showcase hosted by producer and singer/songwriter Jamie-Sue Seal. Guests will include Detroit folk rocker Jill Jack, Traverse City singer/songwriter Andre Villoch, and 2006 Instrumentalist Of The Year, Greg Jenkinson.

Her series entitled "Jammin' Round With Jamie-Sue" began in 2003 in the Lansing area, and has its home base just north of Lansing at Christ United Church in DeWitt Michigan. She also takes the show out on short tours such as the case with the show at The Village Theater. The Jammin' Round's past guest roster boasts an impressive list of regional and national musicians. For more information about the series, visit [www.JamminRound.com](http://www.JamminRound.com) or [www.JamminRound.com](http://www.JamminRound.com). This is an all-ages perfor-



Jamie-Sue Seal

mance and tickets for the show are \$10 and can be purchased at The Village Theater At Cherry Hill's Web site at [www.canton-mi.org/villagetheater](http://www.canton-mi.org/villagetheater) or by calling the Box Office at (734) 394-5300. There is a cash bar at the theater.

#### Michael Card headlines prayer breakfast

Christian singer, composer, author and radio host Michael Card will be featured at the Livonia Community Prayer Breakfast Thursday, May 15, in the Laurel Manor Special Events Center, 39000 Schoolcraft Road. Doors open at 6:30 a.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for students and include a full breakfast and program. Tables of 10 are available. Deadline to purchase tickets for "A Morning Song with Michael Card," is Friday, May 2.

Card has recorded more than 20 albums, written 19 No. 1 singles, authored or co-authored more than a dozen including Gold Medallion Book Award winner *A Sacred Sorrows*, and hosted two radio programs.

For ticket information, call Sally Butler at (248) 476-9427, or e-mail [Tickets@LivoniaPrayerBreakfast.org](mailto:Tickets@LivoniaPrayerBreakfast.org) by May 2.

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#### Healthy heart event

Oakwood Healthcare System will host a free evening of food and heart health education on Wednesday, April 30, at 6 p.m. (registration begins at 4:30 p.m.) at Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. The event will feature Oakwood's top doctors, who will discuss the importance of preventative medicine in cardiology, including a discussion on peripheral artery disease (PAD), which kills more people than breast cancer each year. The discussions will be followed by an open panel question and

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

#### NOTICE WEEDS TO BE CUT ON LOTS IN THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: On or before May 1, 2008, it shall be the duty of every owner, occupant or person having charge of any land within the Township of Plymouth, Michigan, to cut and destroy noxious weeds before they reach a seed bearing stage and to prevent such weeds from perpetuating themselves or becoming a detriment to public health, or shall cause the same to be done. Failure to comply with this notice and Section 32.050 of the Plymouth Township Ordinance means that the Township will enter upon such lands and mow the weeds and bill the property owners for the service, as provided in Section 32.070 of the Plymouth Township Ordinance.

The Charter Township of Plymouth will begin mowing all unmowed lots or plots of land on May 15, 2008, without further notice to the property owners.

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# Twentysomething gets skateboard shop off the ground

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

This summer would be the most ideal time for Matt Morrison to brush up on his skateboarding skills but instead he hopes his time will be consumed with selling them instead.

Morrison, 22, of Plymouth recently opened Deckaid in Canton at 42130 Ford Road in the New York Strip Center.

"There's a lot that goes into getting different (skateboard) brands, but I really wanted to get my doors open," he said of the store's grand opening on April 18. "I've got a lot of ideas for the future so I'm really excited. This is the hottest place on the street."

Morrison, a former Salem High School student, said he's thought about opening his own business for some time and then stumbled upon skateboarding.

"I've seen a lot of kids skateboarding around here so I wanted to be able to give them somewhere to go (for equipment)," he said, adding that his customers have ranged in age from about 8 to 24. "So far, things have been good and people are just waiting on more stuff."

## DECKAID

**Owner:** Matt Morrison

**Address:** 42130 Ford Road

**Telephone:** (734) 335-6700

Deckaid features a variety of skateboards that range from \$45-\$55. Other items for sale include T-shirts, stickers and sunglasses.

Featuring bright orange walls tagged with artwork by local artist, Gomar, the shop features an assortment of skateboard decks, dozens of sunglasses, selections of stickers and T-shirts and a refrigerated case of the young adult beverage staple, Red Bull.

"I plan to get more decks and I'll also have shoes and maybe snow boards in the winter," he says. "We are going to carry everything in here. I'm so amped about getting it all done."

Although he is a student at Schoolcraft College, Morrison said he felt no need to get his degree before unveiling his entrepreneurial spirit.

"I was having problems finding a job so I figured that I would make one for myself," he says proudly. "Besides that, I was tired of working for someone else. I want to be my own boss."



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Matt Morrison, owner of Deckaid, a skateboard shop, displays a Sector 9 longboard, designed for cruising around town.

Morrison doesn't have any official employees but said his family members and his girlfriend, Aubrey Bone of Canton, have helped get Deckaid off the ground.

"My relatives have been a lot of help and I'm lucky to have my girlfriend," he said. "We

picked out this place together and she is usually here with me."

As for his own skills on four wheels, Morrison said his skateboard game needs work.

"I was better at it when I was a kid so I'm still a beginner," he said with a chuckle.

# Motorcyclist dies from injuries in Tuesday wreck

A 48-year-old Gregory, Mich. woman has died from injuries she suffered in Tuesday evening traffic accident at the intersection of Ford and Ridge roads in Canton.

Police officials say Diane Arlene Eickmeyer died Friday morning. She had been on life support at St. Joseph-Mercy Hospital since Tuesday's crash.

According to Canton police, Eickmeyer was driving a motorcycle west on Ford Road when the accident occurred. The driver of a minivan, a 17-year-old Plymouth girl, was traveling south on Ridge and stopped at the intersection.

Witnesses reported that the teen proceeded across Ford into Eickmeyer's path, causing the motorcycle to strike the van just behind the driver's door. The minivan came to rest on the south side of Ford. Neither the van nor the motorcycle had any passengers.

Upon arrival, officers rendered aid and fire officials transported both motorists to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. The Plymouth girl was also listed in critical condition when she arrived at the hospital. According to police, she was treated and released early Wednesday morning.

"She suffered some injuries that turned out not to be life threatening," Sgt. Rick Pomorski said.

Pomorski said police were able to speak to the girl, who told them she looked both ways before pulling out. He said it does not appear that either drugs or alcohol played a part in the crash.

"It was completely unintentional," Pomorski said.

The case remains under investigation by Canton's accident investigation team. Pomorski said the investigation should take 4-6 weeks. At that point they will present the case to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office, and they will determine if the teen driver will face any charges. Pomorski said the teen could face involuntary manslaughter charges, but said that will be up to the prosecutor to decide.

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# For locals, Mass with the pope an emotional experience

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

If you took every synonym for the word "wonderful," Christine Wofford said it probably wouldn't be enough to describe attending Mass with Pope Benedict XVI at Yankee Stadium in New York City April 20.

"My best memory is thinking of the Catholic faith and how beautiful it is," said Wofford of Canton. "Everyone was so happy and it was emotional. To be able to be there was so wonderful."

Wofford made the trip with her daughter, Olivia, 19.

The two, who had previously made plans to go to New York for a taping of *Paula's Party*, a Food Network program, decided to make the Mass the highlight of their venture east.

"My mother-in-law loves Paula Deen so we got tickets to be in the audience and when they gave me the date, it rang a bell with me and I realized the Pope would be visiting then," Wofford said, adding that she then called the Archdiocese of Detroit for tickets to the Papal Mass.

Although she had finals this past week, Olivia Wofford, a Grand Valley State University sophomore, said the experience was worth a reduction in study time.

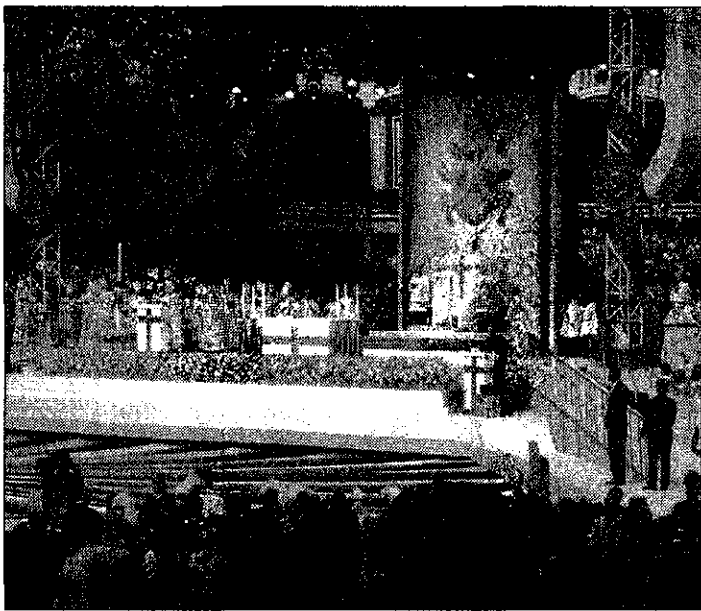
"I took my last final today," she said Thursday. "I studied at night and on the plane and I'm glad that I went because this is something you don't get to do that often."

Before attending the Mass in New York, Christine Wofford said she was captivated by the Pope's other U.S. stops.

"The White House ceremony was a tear jerker," she said. "I have loved everything he has



Christine Wofford (right) and daughter Olivia Wofford wait for Mass with the pope at Yankee Stadium.



Canton's Christine Wofford took this photo Pope Benedict XVI celebrating Mass at Yankee Stadium in New York City on April 20.

said. He is a brilliant man." This month's visit marked the second time Olivia has seen a pope. On Christmas Eve in 1995, she received her first

Holy Communion from Pope John Paul II in Rome.

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Store Manager Erin Domeyer has been with J.C. Penney for 14 years. Canton is her first new store. The jewelry department, like the rest of the store, is set up differently from mall stores.

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ed to the store."

J.C. Penney, one of the nation's largest department store chains, opened the doors of its Canton location earlier this month. The bright and airy 104,000-square-foot, one-story building is a departure from the company's traditional architecture.

"We are still doing our two-level mall stores, but this was a way for us to get out in Canton," Brown said. "The store looks great and it fits in with the environment."

While leaving the store two days after its opening, Nancy Oz of Canton joked that she couldn't even wait a week to go shopping.

"I waited two whole days," she said with a chuckle with her friend, Mary Brown. "I had been waiting for this to open and I loved it."

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Brown, also a Canton resident, said while she enjoyed the store, she believes her husband will get the bigger benefit from the retailer's arrival.

"He's a big and tall guy so he doesn't always find (clothing) in Canton," she said.

While a J.C. Penney employee helped another customer load a piece of framed art into their vehicle, Catherine Moss of Canton said she had been anxious for the 106-year-old company to make its way to the township.

"It's beautiful," she said of the store. "I loved that every-



J.C. Penney is open for business on Ford Road in Canton.

thing was all on one floor and now I don't have to drive to Ann Arbor or Westland."

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# John Glenn High parents try to revive senior party tradition

BY SUE MASON  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

While the demand for tickets has been weak, a group of parents has decided to go ahead with plans to stage a senior party Friday, May 9, at John Glenn High School.

The parents of seniors, they are looking to revive the senior party tradition at the Westland high school.

"This is the first time the school has had one in a long time," said Sheila Lada, the party chair. "No one can remember when the last one was."

The parents started working on the party in January and have been doing fund-raisers like a casino trip, pancake breakfast and dine to donate. They've also sent out letters to businesses in the community in hopes of generating donations that can be included in goodie bags for he kids.

The party will be from 8 p.m. to midnight at the school and will feature a live band and karaoke, a Guitar Hero competition, three or four inflatables, Cash Cube, temporary tattoo artist, photo booth and beauty room for the girls. Area restaurants also are donating food for the party.

There also will be a scavenger hunt through the school for students to find their star, tying in with the theme of a Red Carpet Party, Lada said.

"We're making a big film strip and are cutting out stars with the names of the seniors

on them," Lada said. "They'll be able to write on the film strip and it'll be hung up in one of the halls after the party for students to read."

The party is for seniors only, and parent chaperones and a school administrator will be in attendance. A school ID and ticket will be required to enter.

Organizers are hoping the idea will catch on with seniors, who must purchase the \$15 in advance. No tickets will be sold at the door. No students will be allowed to enter the party after 9 p.m. and students who leave will not be allowed to re-enter.

"We've done morning announcements and fliers and have posted information in the school," Lada said.

Volunteers to serve as chaperones, to pick up the food, do set up and clean up and decorating also are needed. People interested in helping can go to the senior party Web site at www.geocities.com/rocketeniors for more information and to sign up for e-mail alerts.

Businesses that would like to make a donation can call Lada at (734) 422-4599 or also click on the Web site for more information.

And even though only 14 seniors have bought tickets to date, the parents aren't giving up.

"We decided to go ahead and do it. It's a shot in the dark, but we're hoping word-of-mouth will help," Lada said.

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# Sheriff's 'Convincer' pushes seat belt use

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It may have been the excitement that made Josh Jackson feel a rush of adrenaline as he was pulled backward up a short incline before being hurtled forward into a metal barricade. The impact caused an airbag to deploy although the seat belt he was wearing failed to lock.

"Overall, I think it was a life-changing experience," said the John Glenn High School senior who was the first student to try out the Wayne County Sheriff Department's Seat Belt Convincer. "Even at 10-15 mph, you can see what would happen if it's 60-70 mph."

Wayne County Sheriff Warren Evans was at the Westland High School Tuesday morning to launch his "Seat Belt Convincer" program. Using two simulators, Glenn students got the opportunity to feel the impact of a low-speed crash and see what can happen to belted and unbelted people - test dummies - in a rollover accident.

"Having been young once, I realize that kids this age tend to think they're indestructible," said Evans. "Our hope is to remind them that they are not and encourage them to wear their safety belts."

Evans has instituted the program in an effort to get the word out to young people about

the dangers of not wearing a seat belt.

While young people can try the Seat Belt Convincer machine, the rollover simulator uses only test dummies to demonstrate what can happen to belted and unbelted passengers.

Statistics show the 85 percent of all Michigan motorists involved in traffic accidents in 2006 were wearing safety belts and that nearly 30 percent of people killed in traffic accidents had failed to use their vehicle restraint system.

According to John Roach of the Sheriff's Department, the convincer is making its debut now as a way to remind students about buckling up, especially during the prom and graduation season and summer vacation.

"Teenagers are less likely to wear belts and accidents in which the occupants were not wearing belts have a much higher rate of fatalities," he said.

On hand for the demonstration was Westland Mayor William Wild who said that while young drivers will say they drive safely, the demonstration may help "stress the importance of doing so."

"Anytime you can present a visual to young adults helps them grasp it better," he said. "I was surprised, in talking to the



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Glenn senior Kaylie Brincat, 17, grimaces as the Seat Belt Convincer hits the barricade. "I've never been in an accident. It's new to feel the impact."

students, how many had already been in accidents."

Joining the students in trying the convincer was Glenn Principal Joan Sedik. Her trip down the ramp was greeted by the applause of the students.

"Just from how slow it was going gives you a real feel of what happens," she said. "I hope it made an impression on the kids."

"I think it would encourage

youth to use seat belts," added Jackson.

The program is for use by schools, churches and community groups anywhere in the county. All that's required is a pickup truck equipped with a trailer hitch. For more information or to schedule their use, call the Wayne County Sheriff's Road Patrol at (734) 721-2222.

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The first to try the Seat Belt Convincer was John Glenn High School senior Josh Jackson who called the experience 'life-changing.'

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The air bag releases in the face of Westland John Glenn High School Principal Joan Sedik as the Convincer 'hits the wall.'

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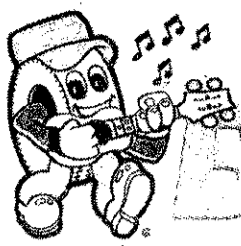
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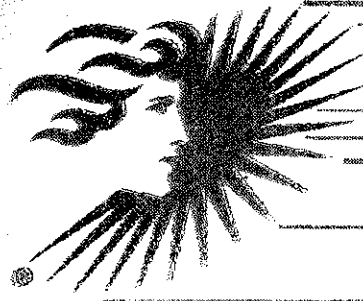
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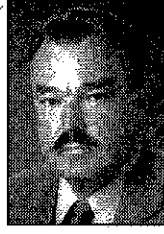


# Wayne-Westland gives contract extension for school chief

BY SUE MASON  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Using words like outstanding and extraordinary to describe its schools chief, the Wayne-Westland school board has agreed to offer Superintendent Greg Baracy a one-year contract extension.

The extension came as the result of a glowing performance evaluation that praised him and his staff for finding "extraordinary ways to contain costs and preserve educational programs" in spite of the state's failing economy. "He received an outstanding evaluation due to his deep commitment, strong work ethic and passion for



Baracy

the students and the community," said school board President Skip Monit. "Once again he has received an evaluation with the highest accolades. It's an evaluation he definitely earned and he deserved." Baracy was evaluated on eight points — professional leadership and personal qualities, curriculum and instruction, business and finance and community, board relations, inter-governmental and student relations. He was lauded for his "high energy level" in dealing with all aspects of

district operations and his ability to motivate his staff to address the goals set for the district by the school board.

One by one, board members addressed Baracy, thanking him for his leadership and acknowledging his commitment to education.

"Thank you for being the person you are," said Trustee Ed Turner about Baracy's leadership.

"I can say unequivocally that he is one of the best superintendents in this county, if not this state," said school board Trustee Terrance McClain. "Other superintendents value his opinion and his knowledge."

"We're extremely fortunate to have him," said Trustee Steve Beecher.

"He's had the opportunity to go elsewhere for more money and had chosen to stay here. He's committed to education, committed to moving this district forward, and we continue to move forward because of his leadership."

"He's a wonderful person to work with," said board Vice President Cindy Schofield. "He has integrity and has been honest with us. When you go to functions and hear what other districts are going through, I can't fathom that happen here. That's a tribute to your leadership."

"He still has a passion for what he does," added Trustee Frederick Weaver. "We're honored to have a superintendent who has a passion for

the kids and moving them forward."

Baracy thanked the school board for its vote of confidence and for the ability to continue serving as superintendent.

"But I'm not naive, this didn't happen because of me," he said. "I have an outstanding cabinet and I'm grateful for the many contributions of my administrators and administrative team. They enable me to do an outstanding job. I share this with them."

The one-year extension does not include an improvement to Baracy's current contract.

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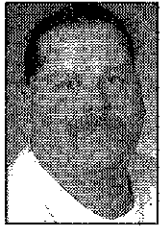
# Mulligan: Parent involvement is needed for W-W school district

BY SUE MASON  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Ask Brian Mulligan why he's running for school board and he laughs, then adds that "someone has to."

"I believe in community involvement," Mulligan said. "I watch every day, people just walk down the street, they don't have a clue what's going on, they have no direction in life. I believe that we all have a purpose and as society, we need to work together for that purpose."

"If it takes me running for



Mulligan

school board to help keep society running, then that's what it takes." The Westland resident is making his second bid a seat on the Wayne-Westland school board in the Tuesday, May 6, school election.

An electrician, Mulligan's involvement in the schools is directly related to his son, Tyler, a student at Stevenson

Middle School. He volunteers to chaperone and "shows up at events parent are allowed to be at."

"I'm as involved as I can be at this time — wrestling track, dances, Scouts," he said.

Mulligan describes himself as level-headed and said he listens to both sides of an issue before making a decision. The only correct decision is an informed decision, he said.

"I'm not a reactionary, if something arises that needs something to be done about it immediately then something has to be done. However, the whole

situation needs to be looked at from end to end to find out why it happened," he added.

He also believes the school board sets the example of what is expected of everybody in the district, not just the students, but the parents, the teachers and the individuals who volunteer. Calling it an "epidemic," he said a problem facing schools not only in Wayne-Westland, but across the country, is the lack of parental involvement.

"Parents don't pay attention to whether or not their children's homework is done,

they don't care if their children are involved in after-school sports or activities," he said. "They don't show up, they don't pay attention to what goes on in the community. I think we need parents more involved so they can actually see what's going and maybe realize they need to teach their children to respect others and be productive members of society."

He added that the school board should be inviting more active participation among parents, even if means re-educating parents to be proactive.

Admitting there are some parents that are unreachable, Mulligan said board members need to show up at functions and talk to people, ask them questions and get answers.

"I understand we have a lot of single parent families or both parents are working, so it's difficult for them to have the time to come to functions, but their input is valuable," he said. "Not only is their input valuable, but so is the board's input to the community in expressing what their opinions are and why policies are they way there are."

# Hopeful Finley: Know how things work in educational process

BY SUE MASON  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

As Jennifer Finley sees it, serving on the school board is one way she can be involved in the community and the education process.

With seven children enrolled in Wayne-Westland schools, the Wayne resident says she has a "vested interest" in the district. She cares about what happens and about its reputation.

"I care about the kind of kids we're putting out there after high school," she said. "It's important, terribly important, to meet the needs of these kids. It's our responsibility, it's

our duty and I think I definitely would be somebody who could help the district improve and move forward."

Finley is among five candidates campaigning seeking a seat on the Wayne-Westland school board in the Tuesday, May 6, election.

A nurse who works for the University of Michigan, Finley describes herself as straightforward and no nonsense. With children in different programs in the district, she

understands how things work and don't work well from an educational perspective.

"I have pretty stable head on my shoulders, so I think I'm able to look at things relatively objectively regardless of my personal feelings or circumstances," she said. "I think I have a good perspective as a parent that has a lot of different types of experiences with my kids in the school district."

She also has been involved with the early childhood program at the Stottlemeyer Center, serving as a member and president of its policy committee.

"As far as being more involved, I'd say I'm pretty

involved certainly with my students — my children," she said. "There has been a lot of interaction and contact. I'd say I'm known very well on a good note."

Finley also said she has a good foundation in working with budget development and implementation, hiring, training and mentoring of staff, working with construction and trades through her job.

She sees the role of the school board as setting the standards and policies for the district and, in a broader sense, handling what the district should be doing and what direction it should be going with input from par-

ents, teachers and other community leaders.

"Their job is to guide us in the right direction, keep our kids educated and improve things hopefully as we're going forward," she said.

Finley believes the issues facing the district include funding and declining enrollment. She believes school officials need to look for new sources of revenue, such as grants, and be use that money in the best way possible. An example, she said, was using grant money to hire teachers to work with younger students to improve their reading skills.

She added that the district

needs to find out where students leaving the district are going — whether it's for economic reasons or a move to charter schools or academies in the area.

Finley works three days a week for the University of Michigan at the East Ann Arbor Medical Procedures Center, which will allow her to be available for meetings and functions during the day.

"I think that in four years, if I'm actually elected and if things were improved, I'd like to the part of the reason we improved and were better," she said.

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# Senators offer opposing views on Blue Cross reform issues

BY HUGH GALLAGHER  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

State Sen. Tom George, R-Kalamazoo, says he wants "to turn the screws" on Blue Cross Blue Shield to "make them fulfill their mission."

George is chairman of the Senate Health Policy Committee which is currently holding hearings on legislation to reform medical insurance laws in Michigan for the individual market.

The House bills, HB 5282-5285, were passed in October with a large bipartisan majority. The bills as passed are supported by Blue Cross Blue Shield, which has been heavily lobbying the Senate in their support.

George and Sen. Jason Allen, R-Traverse City, have each offered alternatives to the House bills. Testimony was taken at two hearings last week.

The House bills would:

- Create a high-risk pool of guaranteed-access plan for those denied coverage, to spread some of the losses across all health care insurers in the state. Blue Cross is mandated by law to be an insurer of last resort and operates as a not-for-profit charity.

- Allow Blue Cross to replace "community rating" with rate bands, which would allow the insurer to set different rates based on age, place of residence and other factors.

- Set a loss ratio of 70 percent, meaning an insurer must spend 70 cents of each dollar collected on health care.

- Set limits on renewal rate increases.

- Allow Blue Cross Blue Shield's for-profit subsidiaries to sell other kinds of insurance. Their largest subsidiary is The Accident Fund of America which is now restricted to selling worker's compensation insurance.

The House bills have drawn opposition from Michigan Attorney General Mike



Allen

Cox, the UAW, AARP, the Consumers' Union and others. Blue Cross has argued that they are at a disadvantage as insurer of last resort at a time when the individual market is growing. It now represents 6 percent of those insured but is expected to increase as companies drop health care benefits and lay off employees.

## OPPOSES HIGH RISK POOL

"Blue Cross says we should do these things because of growth in the individual market," George said last week.

"Testimony is not supportive of their assertion that the market is growing."

George said some people are covered by COBRA, others find new jobs and some people who are forced to work two part-time jobs wouldn't be able to afford individual insurance, so are not in the market.

George is opposed to creating a high risk pool, as 35 states currently have.

"Those states don't have a carrier of last resort that doesn't pay taxes," he said. "They want to keep their tax status, take away the attorney general's oversight and allow their Accident Fund insurance to go into any kind of insurance."

George also questions Blue Cross maintaining



George

a \$2.5 billion reserve. He said his proposals are modeled on Pennsylvania, where Democratic Gov. Ed Rendell wouldn't approve rate increases for the insurer of last resort because of its high reserve.

"In the end they agreed to give the state \$100 million to expand SCHIP (the State Children's Health Insurance Program)," George said. "I have a Republican spin on this. We'll take the excess surplus to create tax credits for those buying in the individual market."

George proposes allowing Blue Cross' Accident Fund to move into selling other kinds of insurance in exchange for the insurer making a one-time contribution of \$100 million to the state treasury to pay for the tax credit.

His proposals also include prohibiting commercial insurers from raising rates or dropping people who develop health problems; allowing Blue Cross to charge higher rates to people with unhealthy behaviors; require Blue Cross to report to the Legislature on its expenditures for entertainment, advertising and lobbying; and require Blue Cross to place excessive surpluses into a state fund administered by the Treasury department. George would cap the surplus

at 600 percent of risk based capital. Blue Cross reserves are now 688 percent of RBC.

## 'TERRIBLE PRECEDENT'

Andrew Hetzel, vice president of corporate communications for Blue Cross, said George's views do not reflect what's happening across the state.

"Auto companies are downsizing and laying people off and this is affecting families," he said. "Many are leaving group coverage and going into the individual market."

He said that taking \$100 million for the state is taking money from rate payers.

"This is a terrible precedent, you're going to tax paying companies and taking money from these companies to pay for tax credit support," he said.

He said the burden of taking on customers with high risk medical conditions was too great for one company to take on its shoulders.

"A high-risk pool makes it so that all insurers share the responsibility," Hetzel said. "It's a model that worked in 35 other states."

He said the model is different in each state, but that by allowing Blue Cross to remain tax exempt and creating a risk pool will give people with severe medical conditions two options for access to health insurance.

"George's one-on-one relationship is fundamentally flawed," said Hetzel. "As he well knows, Blue Cross is regulated by Public Act 350. Any insurance company in the state can choose to be regulated under 350 but they don't."

He said the act requires that Blue Cross do many other things beside being the insurer of last resort including supporting affordable Medigap coverage and providing group conversion coverage by charging customers a subsidy on premiums; subsidizing SCHIP by \$15.5 million in 2007; and subsidizing hospital charity

care.

Hetzel said the Blues' reserve fund can not be viewed as a monetary surplus.

"It's the consolidated assets of the corporation including the Accident Fund, cash, buildings, assets, Blue Cross Assets, building," he said. "It's not a bank account of \$2.5 billion."

He said the reserve is well under the 1000 percent cap imposed by the state.

## TIGHT OVERSIGHT

While Blue Cross favors passage of the House bills in the Senate, Hetzel said he is more favorable to some of the proposals made by Allen, particularly reducing the waiting period from a year to six months for people with pre-existing medical conditions for all carriers.

Allen's proposal retains a high risk pool but tightens oversight. He proposes giving the insurance commission authority to order refunds to ensure rates are not excessive relative to costs; creating a nine-member Guaranteed Access Pool oversight board which would include the Attorney General; require accountability reports on the individual market and guaranteed access pool; provide credits for wellness; raise the loss ratio to 75 percent for commercial carriers, 85 percent for Blue Cross and 90 for Medicare supplement; and narrow the rate bands.

"The problem with the House bill was that we didn't think there was the proper regulatory oversight," said Norm Saari, Allen's chief of staff.

He said the House bills also didn't make it clear how it was going to serve the growing need for individual insurance.

Kurt Gallinger, vice president and counsel for Amerisure Cos. in Farmington Hills is the spokesman for The Coalition for a Fair and Competitive Insurance

Market. His group is focused on opposing HB 5284 and 5285, which would allow The Accident Fund to compete in selling other lines of insurance.

Gallinger said George's proposals did respond to some of their concerns but didn't put enough emphasis on creating a "firewall" between Blue Cross and its for-profit subsidiary. He said he is opposed to George's plan to have Blue Cross pay \$100 million to compete.

"We need to address unfairness in the competitive market," Gallinger said. "Since Sen. George came up with \$100 million, if you are going to address the issue of lost taxes, you need to look at \$3 billion."

He said under Public Act 350 Blue Cross shouldn't be using its charitable dollars to support its subsidiary.

"We want that part of the act enforced," Gallinger said. "When Accident Fund competes with our companies, we can't use charity money."

Gallinger said the state made a mistake when it reformed the laws governing Blue Cross in 1993.

"Blue Cross was not created to be a state insurance company to compete with other companies," he said.

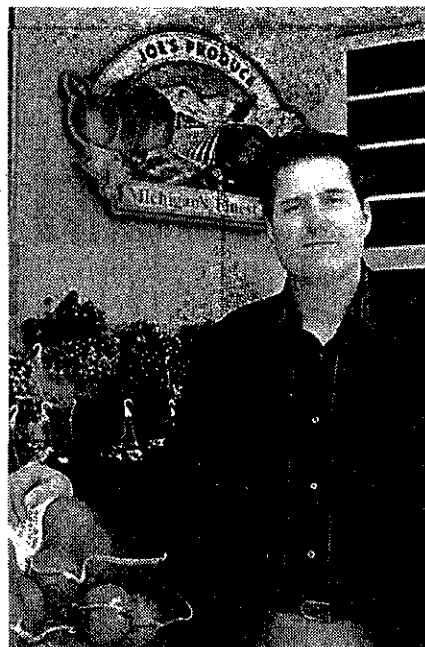
George said there is room for compromise but that "these are two diametrically opposed versions."

"I'm comfortable enough in my position. I'm a physician in medical practice, I'm term limited and I'm comfortable doing what I think is right," he said.

The Detroit Free Press reported Friday that Attorney General Mike Cox and UAW President Ron Gettelfinger would hold a press conference on Monday to endorse George's proposals.

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Spencer was a general assignment reporter for WDIV. She moved to the Detroit area in 1990 to work at WDIV, and then met native Detroit and attorney Jerry Aaron. They married in Cranbrook's gardens in 1992. The couple has a daughter, Amy, born in 1995. The family also includes Chase, the family's Bouvier des Flandres dog, and

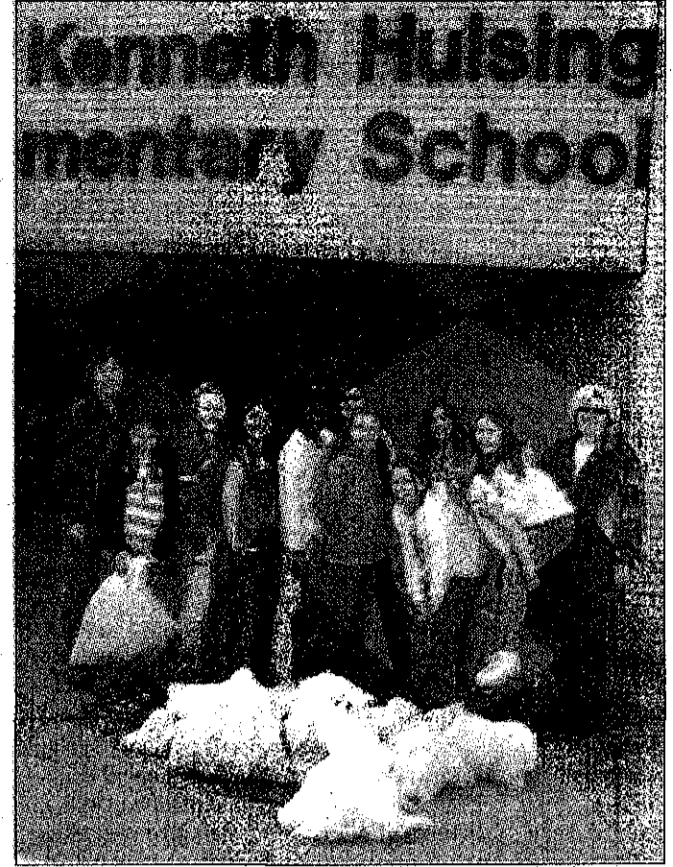
Rescue" reports, she has helped thousands of consumers find solutions to their complaints about a business, product or service.

Before heading up Local 4's consumer unit, Spencer is involved with the American Heart Association. Her father died in 1999, due largely to heart disease, she says. Her husband survived a heart attack in 1996 when he was 49. Because of these events, Spencer says, she and her husband serve as co-chairs of the annual fundraiser, The American Metro Detroit Heart Walk, the largest in the nation.

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## ON THE AGENDA

### CANTON BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The board will hold a study session at 7 p.m., April 29 at the Canton Administration Building. Agenda items include:

- Actuarial valuation of Canton Township Retiree Health Care Plan.
- Special Assessment District policy and procedure.

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## OUR VIEWS

### Gather at flagpole and say a prayer

The annual National Day of Prayer Thursday will draw the usual number of "gather 'round the flagpole" ceremonies, where groups gather to pray for our communities, our people and our country.

Crowds at these events — there's one in Canton, another in Westland — will most likely be small, but the prayers huge as they have been in all the years these kinds of events have been held.

There are those people who would say that such a religious-based event should be held in a church rather than around a flagpole, but the intent of the National Day of Prayer is very specific. People of all faiths are asked to unite to pray for our country and leaders.

Prayer is portable, it can be said anywhere, and for those who believe, it can be very powerful. And praying as country is nothing new. It's always been used in this country for guidance, protection and strength — even before it was a nation or a handful of colonies. The Pilgrims at Plymouth relied on prayer during their first winter. The Founding Fathers also called for prayer during the Constitutional Congress.

Even President Abraham Lincoln knew the power of prayer. Before the battle of Gettysburg, when the fate of the nation hung in the balance, he turned to prayer. The Union won the battle, a turning point in the Civil War that ended slavery and kept the United States intact.

And as American troops stormed the beaches of Normandy in World War II, President Franklin Roosevelt called for the nation to unite in prayer. He also offered a prayer to prepare each citizen for the road ahead: "Let our hearts be stout, to wait out the long travail, to bear sorrows that may come, to impart our courage unto our sons wheresoever they may be."

Today, we face many of the same challenges. The men and women in our armed forces are embroiled in wars in Afghanistan and Iraq. Many have died and many have suffered life-altering injuries. The economy is struggling and many of our neighbors are seeing their dream of the good life evaporate. We can go it alone in resolving these problems or we can ask for help.

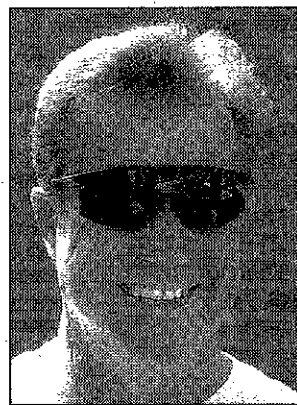
Those who went before us did the latter and succeeded. We encourage people to gather at their favorite flagpole Thursday (Canton's event will begin at 12:15 p.m. at the Veteran's Memorial flagpole on Veterans Way located behind the Canton Administrative Building) and pray for our community, county, state and national leaders, even if you don't agree with what they have done. Pray for the safety of our men and women in uniform, for their families, and for the comfort and recovery of those who have been wounded. Those who can't participate, take a moment to bow your head and say a prayer.

If Roosevelt, the Pilgrims and Lincoln never underestimated the power of prayer, neither should we.

What advice would you give to graduating high school seniors?



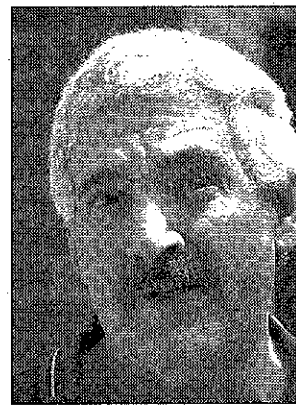
'This is just the beginning. Some graduates think they have got it all figured out but this is just the start.'  
Ron Briggs, Canton



'Go to tech. school.'  
Tom Quintance  
Canton



'Learn from other people's mistakes.'  
Susan Rogers  
Canton



'No drinking, period.'  
Dan Perrone  
Canton

## COMMUNITY CORNER

### Save structures

I was pleased to read your article on the restoration of the Hugh Clyde house. We cannot ever go back and preserve these historic buildings which are so much a part of Canton's rich history once they have been demolished. I am so proud of the Historic District Commission's vision and willingness to take this step even though there are some who feel that this is not a good use of public funds. I believe that it is and only adds to Canton's appeal.

Karen Russell, Canton

### Don't use taxes

In light of the state of the current economy, the Canton Historical District Commission should not use taxpayer money to fund the Hugh Clyde project. Trustee Melissa McLaughlin is quoted in the article ("Crews begin dismantling historic home for its move," April 20) that \$100,000 will be spent initially to disassemble, move and reassemble the 700-square-foot home. McLaughlin believes that an additional \$150,000 of taxpayer money may be needed.

Three years ago a group wanted to move the Cady Barn. They attempted community fund-raising and only raised \$3,500.

Then at the twelfth hour, Canton resident Bob Boyer stepped up to the plate and contributed more than \$150,000 to save the barn. Other groups and individuals also contributed to the project to make it a reality. Mr. Boyer's model for historic preservation makes sense. When the barn was being moved and restored, it was widely heralded. Canton cable videotaped the event for posterity and it was an exciting time. Now, I could not find any press releases on the Canton Township Web site or recall any articles in the Canton Focus to let Canton residents know how their tax money is being spent to save this house. If saving the house needs to be done as McLaughlin suggests, why isn't the public being informed?

Canton Township taxpayers may be interested to learn that all that can be salvaged from this historic home are the timber frames. The rest of the house is in the dumpster. So the newest historic home to be reassembled on the Bartlett-Travis site will be just that—new with old timbers that will be buried in the walls, unseen by all.

Given our current economic situation, I believe this project

is a waste of taxpayer dollars.  
Joan Noricks, Canton

### Home is a treasure

Kudos to our township officials responsible for having the insight to save the house at 425 Ridge Road. The Historic District Commission has done a good job in saving several of the township's treasured landmarks. Unfortunately they have only been able to save a few of them. Yes, these are tough economic times and it is understandable that the township needs to be careful in spending our tax dollars. But in this case, there is no time. My understanding is a developer is tearing down the house for new commercial buildings. When the house is down it would be gone forever. As Trustee Melissa McLaughlin reports, this is one of the oldest houses in Canton Township and one of the oldest in Wayne County. Saving this historic house goes along with the township's plan to have an old village feeling at Cherry Hill Village.

This house is going across the street from its present location where the Bartlett/Travis House and the recently saved

Cady/Boyer barn are located. This has turned into a real gem of a site for the township and us taxpayers. This old house will be a great addition to the site that is used for various events that we enjoy. An example of events we have enjoyed include the annual "Village Faire", the "Old Tyme Farm Days", and the farmer's market just to name a few. With the cost of gas going up everyday, it will be nice to have locations nearby to enjoy life and events instead of driving great distances for something to do.

These same officials are being prudent with our tax dollars in they are only moving and stabilizing the building. When the economy changes and there are a few more dollars the plan is to continue restoring it. This is how the move and restoration of the Bartlett/Travis house was handled with great success. This is no different than what the township has done with various parks. Maybe at the time the economy turns some of our local businesses such as Mann's, Lowe's, and Home Depot will be able to step up and help provide supplies to finish the job without tax dollars.

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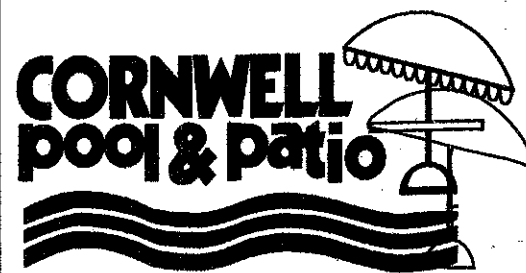
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# Market performs the same under Dems or Republicans

Dear Rick: I was discussing the stock market with friends and whether it did better with a Democratic or Republican president. We actually did some research and found all sorts of answers. What's your take? Who is better for the market, Democrats or Republicans?



Money Matters  
Rick Bloom

Should I file an amended return or wait for the IRS to contact me?

When it comes to taxes be proactive. You would be better off to file an amended return, pay the taxes and whatever interest is due now, rather than wait for the IRS to contact you. In the long run this will save you money and aggravation. The IRS will probably discover the mistake. At that time, they will assess you the additional tax, interest and a potential penalty. Typically, if you voluntarily correct your return, you will have a much greater chance of avoiding any penalties.

I get this question every four years and over the years I have done a significant amount of research on the issue. After reviewing many studies and looking at all sorts of data, I have concluded it doesn't make a difference in the long run.

Whenever I do research, whether it is on a mutual fund, a tax law or a new strategy, one of the keys is to use independent sources.

Unfortunately, numbers can be manipulated to show whatever you want. I am sure if you look at studies funded by Democratic sources, they will show the market is better under Democrats. On the other hand, if you look at a Republican-funded study it would show the exact opposite.

When using independent sources and studies, I have reached the conclusion that markets perform about the same no matter who's in the White House.

I cannot stress enough the importance of independent sources. It's only by using independent sources can you get reliable information you can depend upon.

There is another benefit of filing an amended return. No one wants to be audited by the IRS. Individuals who file incorrect or sloppy returns tend to have a greater risk of being audited. Therefore, to reduce your risk of being audited, file an amended return.

All you need to do is Form 1040X. Go to the IRS Web site at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) to obtain the form. It's an excellent Web site and has lots of information with regard to taxes in general. Many of us make mistakes when we file a tax return. However, the bigger mistake is not to correct the return when we know there is a problem.

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

Dear Rick: In preparing my 2007 tax return, I noticed a mistake on my 2006 return. I received a 1099 that had capital gains and dividends and I only reported the capital gains, not the dividends. I guesstimate that it will cost me a couple hundred dollars in taxes.

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## VOTE FOR STUDENT VIDEOS

Students from eight area high schools are competing for the top prize in the Buddy's Pizza/Observer & Eccentric and Mirror Newspapers public service video contest. The winning team will receive \$1,000 to be divided among students.

Go to [www.buddyspizza.com](http://www.buddyspizza.com) and view the work of students from Harrison High School in Farmington Hills, Berkley High School, Livonia Ladywood, Troy Athens, Canton, Plymouth, Northville and Livonia Franklin. Then vote for your favorite. Voting ends at midnight April 30.

Schools throughout the area were invited to produce a 30-second public service announcement video focusing on teen issues. "The contest will give high school students an opportunity to send a powerful message that impacts their peers and the community on topics including, but not limited to, the dangers of tobacco, alcohol, drugs, bullying, cyber-bullying and violence," said Marcy Brontman of Buddy's.

Contest rules required each video to include some representation of Buddy's Pizza and the Observer & Eccentric or Mirror Newspapers (i.e., filmed at a Buddy's Pizza location, Buddy's logo in video, Observer & Eccentric and/or Mirror Newspaper visible at some point in video). Also included must be the tagline "Sometimes you just need some Buddy's... Seriously!"

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- Melinda Gaval - D167 - Washer, mattress, dressers
- Randolph Valentino - RV10 - Cadillac automobile
- Randolph Valentino - RV11 - Ford F-7 truck
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Pictured are members of the Plymouth Christian Academy boys and girls track teams — all 13 of them — during a training run Monday afternoon. Pictured (from left) are Tony Johnson, Jessica Soblesky, Robert Fergan, Rachel Yerke, Hannah Williams, Max Chiang, Daniel Paulson, Kim Davies, Nate Howard, Jordan Allen, Armila Francis, Zack Burton and Josh Allen.

## Sidelines

### SPARQ test

Velocity Sports in Canton will be hosting a Nike/SPARQ Championship on Saturday, May 3.

Participants who complete a free SPARQ test of athleticism will get an official SPARQ rating. The top 10 boys and girls with the highest SPARQ rating will be flown to the Nike World Headquarters in Oregon to compete in the "My Better Championship Finals" in July.

To register, visit [www.sparqtraining.com](http://www.sparqtraining.com) or call (734) 485-2561.

### CAHA open house

The Canton Amateur Hockey Association will be hosting an open house and registration session for hockey players of all age levels and their families on Saturday, May 17, from 1-4 p.m. at the Arctic Edge Ice Arena, which is located at 46615 Michigan Ave. in Canton.

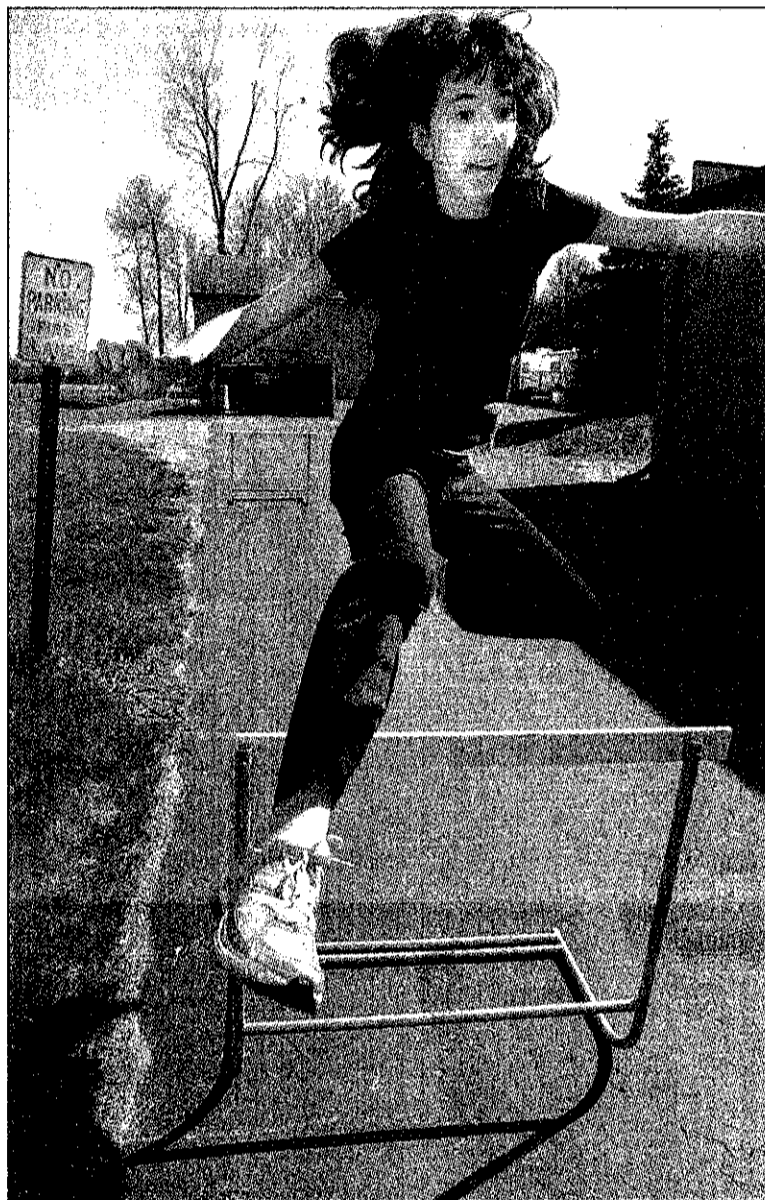
There are three divisions offered:

■ **Learn to play** — Kids between the ages of 4 and 9 will receive top-notch instruction on the fundamentals of skating and puck-handling skills that will enable them to advance in competitive hockey. This will be offered on Saturdays at noon from September through March for a one-time fee of \$250.

■ **Mini-mite cross and full ice hockey** — This level is for kids 6 and younger and includes one practice and one game per week and runs from September through March. The cross-ice fee is \$600 while the full-ice cost is \$1,000 per player.

■ **Mite hockey** — For kids 7 and 8, this level offers full-ice play twice a week and runs from September through March. The cost is \$1,000 per skater.

For more information, call (734) 487-7777.



Rachel Yerke practices hurdles on a make-shift lane on the side of Plymouth Christian Academy Monday afternoon.

## NO HURDLE'S TOO HIGH

Plymouth Christian Academy's 13-member track team overcomes obstacles with faith, fun and hard work

The first thing you should know about the Plymouth Christian Academy boys and girls track-and-field teams is that their track is a field.

Instead of the perfectly lined, spongy-surfaced ovals that their Plymouth-Canton Educational Park peers to the west call home, the Eagles do their training on a massive, grassy field that spreads out for several acres east of the school, which is located a stone's throw south of Joy Rd. and an 800-meter run west of Lilley Rd. in Canton.

Like all large, grassy fields, this one is far from flat and it is dotted with gopher holes here and there, so with just one misstep, you could sprain your ankle and make a gopher homeless.

The hurdlers practice on a makeshift lane equipped with four hurdles that are placed evenly each afternoon along a narrow strip of asphalt that runs parallel to the school.

If the hurdlers aren't careful, they could bang their arm on the "NO PARKING, FIRE LANE" sign that stands just a few feet from the road. (Now, that's something the hurdlers over at Salem, Canton and Plymouth don't have to worry about, eh?)

And there won't be a long-jump pit until sometime next week when a generous local business — Burton Plumbing — donates sand that will be installed into a hole the athletes



Ed Wright

will dig themselves.

Which leads me to the second thing you should know about the 13-member PCA track team: Instead of sulking about their less-than-state-of-the-art facilities, they embrace them.

"The way we feel," said second-year coach Jennifer Lemieux, "is that we are blessed just to have a team. This is an awesome, awesome group of kids."

And you can tell by the way the words leave Lemieux's mouth that she truly believes each and every one of them.

### Full of optimism

The glass is always half full for the Eagles, who seem to find a silver lining in every figurative cloud that passes over them.

"It's tough not having our own track," admitted Armila Francis, one of just two seniors on the squad. "But the way I look at it, running on the field is great for ankle-strength building. We just go with the flow."

When life gives them lemons, the Eagles make lemonade.

"The best part about having such a small team," added boys team captain Tony Johnson, "is that we're a lot closer than if we had a big team. We have a very close group and we all cheer each other on."

Two years ago, Francis wasn't just PCA's best runner — she was its *only* runner.

"Armila was the team," said Lemieux. "She

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## Salem freshman hurler shuts down Patriot bats

BY ED WRIGHT  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

One of the most potent softball batting line-ups in the Western Lakes Activities Association went down rather "quiet-Lee" Wednesday afternoon against Salem.

Freshman hurler Briana Lee silenced the usually potent bats of Livonia Franklin to lead the Rocks to a 5-0 victory in a WLAA cross-over game. Lee held the Patriots — who feature sweet-swinging twin sisters Briana and Brittany Taylor — to just five hits while striking out nine. Lee displayed impeccable control and did not walk a batter.

Lee had plenty of support in the field as the Rocks did not commit

one error.

"The girls played one of their best all-around games of the season today," said Salem coach Bonnie Southerland. "They were hitting the ball hard and, defensively, they were flawless."

Another freshman — Heidi Schmidt — proved to be the catalyst of the victory as she led off the game with a triple and scored the contest's first run in the Rocks' two-run first. Schmidt added a single in the sixth.

Other clutch hitters for the winners were Mary Cox (two singles and a run) and Emily Pitcole (2-for-4, two-run home run). Kelli Janiczek and Lizzy McCloud added sixth-inning singles.

Briana Taylor cracked two singles

while Nicole and Jessica Emery added singles for the Patriots.

Ashley Geraghty suffered the mound setback for Franklin, yielding eight hits and three walks while striking out four. Franklin committed four errors.

The victory improved Salem to 5-2.

Forty-eight hours later, the Rocks registered an ultra-important 2-1 victory over visiting Walled Lake Central to boost their record to 3-1 in the WLAA Lakes Division — the same mark as the Vikings.

Lee sparkled again, scattering four hits and a walk while K'ing 11 Central batters. Jessica Hardy suf-

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Salem freshman Briana Lee, pictured above during a game earlier this season, limited Walled Lake Central to four hits in the Rocks' 2-1 victory over the Vikings Friday afternoon.

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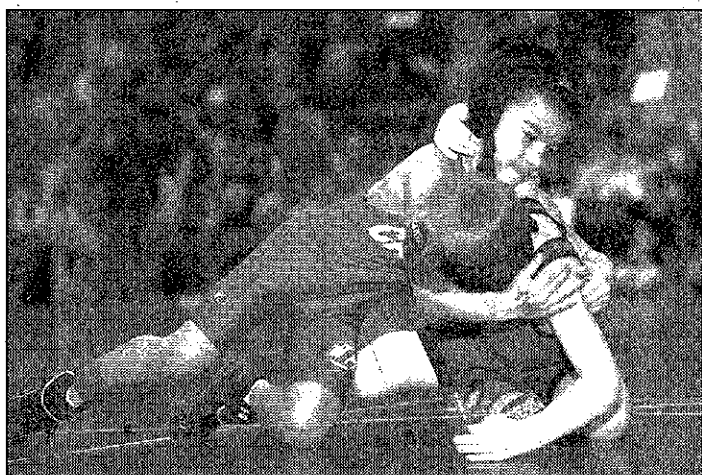
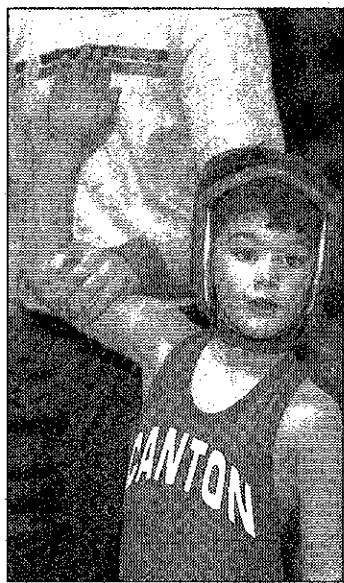
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# Youth is served



Canton Wrestling Club member Owen Atienza (top) won a state championship March 29-30 at the MYWA state finals that were held at Michigan State University's Jenison Fieldhouse.

Canton Wrestling Club member Braydon Randolph won a state title at the MYWA state finals March 29-30 at Michigan State University's Jenison Fieldhouse.

## Four Canton wrestlers win state championships

BY ED WRIGHT  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

To say the wrestling future is bright for four young Canton grapplers would be an understatement.

The quartet of Canton Wrestling Club competitors earned state titles at the Michigan Youth Wrestling Association state finals March 29-30 at Michigan State University's Jenison Fieldhouse.

Earning first-place trophies were 5-year-old Brayden Randolph, who went 3-0 in the 55-pound 5-6-year-old division; Owen Atienza, who captured the 46-pound crown in the same age group; Danny Poupore, who went 5-0 in the 49-pound 7-8-year-old bracket; and Benjamin Griffin, who defeated all comers in the 70-pound 11-12-year-old competition.

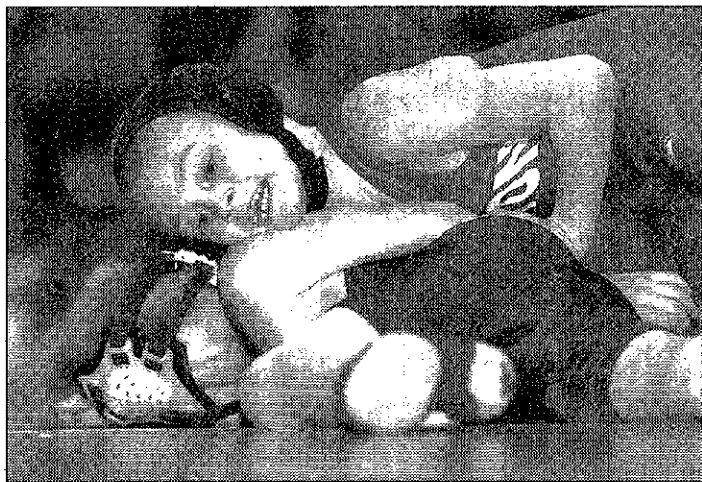
"This was a nice achievement for all four of these kids," said Canton wrestling coach Casey Randolph. "Like most kids their age, they lose their focus a little bit, but once they stepped on the mat in the state finals, it was 'game on.'"

"They all wrestled very well, but Ben Griffin was phenomenal. He was absolutely dominant and won 14-2 in the finals."

The four state champs were joined by a contingent of 23 other Canton Wrestling Club grapplers, all of whom



Canton Wrestling Club member Ben Griffin won a state title at the MYWA state finals at Michigan State University's Jenison Fieldhouse.



Canton Wrestling Club member Danny Poupore (top) won a state title at the MYWA state final March 29-30 at Michigan State University's Jenison Fieldhouse.

**'This was a nice achievement for all four of these kids. Like most kids their age, they lose their focus a little bit, but once they stepped on the mat in the state finals, it was "game on."**

CASEY RANDOLPH, Canton wrestling coach

earned the right to compete in the event by placing in the top four in their respective weight classes at a regional tournament held earlier in March.

Earning All-State honors were Alec Pantaleo and Kyle Gillies, both of whom placed

third; Kyle Topper, Rich DeMarois and Braden Price, all fifth-place finishers; and Jordan Atienza, who earned a seventh-place showing.

Other state qualifiers from the Canton squad were: Nathan Atienza, Zach Blevins, Bryce Boltze, Alec Breckenridge, Luke Denzer, Caleb Finamore, Justin Fowler, Brendan Fowler, Ben Keeler, Cody Korpus, Jager Kwiatkowski, Dustin Piepsney, Westen Price, Brandon Wilson, Garret Zabinsk, Waleed Faraj and Anthony Abro.

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## Three Ignition players honored

A trio of Detroit Ignition players were lauded with All-Major Indoor Soccer League honors earlier this week.

Ignition defender Droo Callahan, a resident of Brighton, was voted to the league's first team while goal-keeper Danny Waltman and forward Jamar Beasley earned second team accolades.

"This year we definitely had a collection of talented players who had great seasons," said Detroit coach Bob Lilley. "I feel all three of these players are very deserving of their awards."

Callahan, the team's captain, scored 62 points

— a total that tripled last year's numbers for the 34-year-old veteran.

He ranked second in the MISL in blocks and was named "MISL Defensive Player of the Week" four times.

Waltman posted a league-leading save percentage of .744. He also led the MISL with 19 wins.

Beasley was the Ignition's scoring leader for the second consecutive year, finishing with 82 points, which was good enough for seventh in the league.

## BOYS TRACK LEADERS

### OBSERVERLAND BOYS TRACK LEADERS (THRU APRIL 24)

#### SHOT PUT

Ed Merhi (Salem), 47-10.5  
Dana Baltazar (Salem), 47-15  
Sam Richards (Plymouth), 44-1  
Adam Love (Garden City), 43-9  
Nick Habbert (Garden City), 43-5  
Cory Gomoll (Plymouth), 43-2  
Rob Moores (Canton), 40-11.5

#### DISCUS

Courtney Frazier (Salem), 130-8  
Dana Baltazar (Salem), 129-2  
Nick Habbert (Garden City), 127-2  
Jason Foster (Canton), 125-0  
Adam Love (Garden City), 124-7  
Mark Tucker (Thurston), 122-7  
Keith Choma (Plymouth), 113-7  
Cory Gomoll (Plymouth), 109-0  
Rob Moores (Canton), 105-3

#### LONG JUMP

Marcus Bennett (Thurston), 21-1  
Ocie Lewis (Canton) 20-9  
Jace Bearden (Salem), 20-8  
Connor McKinney (Plymouth), 20-5  
Adam Somers (Canton), 19-2  
Brandon Roberts (Plymouth), 19-0  
Michael Hines (Thurston), 19-0  
Adam Payne (Canton), 18-11

#### HIGH JUMP

Jace Bearden (Salem), 6-4  
Zack Gaskell (Salem), 6-2  
Keith Zech (Canton), 5-10  
Ben Spreitzer (Canton), 5-7  
Adam Payne (Canton), 5-6  
Pawon Dalihwahl (Plymouth), 5-6  
Michael Hines (Thurston), 5-6  
Leonard Wernette-Leff (RU), 5-6  
Joe Krizanek (Canton) 5-3  
Kyle Biega (Canton) 5-3

#### POLE VAULT

Chris McGinnis (Canton), 13-6  
Ben Ambrose (Plymouth), 13-6  
Brandon Larsen (Garden City), 13-0  
Joe Massel (Canton), 12-0  
John Krutty (Salem), 10-6  
Gage Hermann (Canton), 10-6

#### 100-METER DASH

Eric Piwowar (Canton), 11.1  
Connor McKinney (Plymouth), 11.2  
Demetrius Wilson (RU), 11.4  
Rico Tyus (Plymouth), 11.5  
Anthony Mullins (Salem), 11.5  
Antoine Mitchell (RU), 11.5  
Demetrius Wilson (RU), 11.6  
Michael Hines (Thurston), 11.8

Ocie Lewis (Canton), 11.9  
Nick Austin (Canton), 12.1  
**200-METER DASH**  
Eric Piwowar (Canton), 23.0  
Connor McKinney (Plymouth), 23.3  
Ryan Randall (Canton), 23.6  
Pat Patin (Salem), 23.7  
Malik Rich (Plymouth), 23.11  
Ocie Lewis (Canton), 24.0  
Jeremy Quillico (Canton), 24.1  
Demetrius Wilson (RU), 24.5  
August Garrett (Canton), 24.6  
Adam Somers (Canton), 24.8  
Josh Ogundu (Canton), 25.0

#### 400-METER DASH

Sherif Hassanien (Canton), 52.4  
Mike Hanchett (Plymouth), 52.6  
Stephen Telenko (Salem), 52.9  
Jordan Wisniewski (Canton), 53.3  
Davion Stackhouse (Canton), 53.5  
Ken Lomski (Plymouth), 53.9  
Chris Jahoda (Canton), 54.0  
Kevin Stephens (RU), 54.3  
Davon Mullins (Salem), 54.4  
Emmanuel Williams (RU), 54.7  
Keith Marshall (RU), 55.2  
Kyle Breitmeyer (Canton), 55.8  
Scott Zech (Canton), 55.9

#### 800-METER RUN

Kyle Wallath (Plymouth), 2:02.9  
Keith Zech (Canton), 2:06.1  
Scott Zech (Canton), 2:06.2  
Justin Huey (Plymouth), 2:06.4  
Zack Gaskell (Salem), 2:07.5  
Josh Hurst (Canton), 2:08.5  
Brandon Tolinski (Canton), 2:08.7  
Mike Charara (Salem), 2:09.4  
Paul Rakovitis (Canton), 2:10.5  
Francis Mensah (RU), 2:11.0  
Derek Hoerman (Canton), 2:11.3

#### 1,600-METER RUN

Kevi deBear (Salem), 4:33.0  
Derek Hoerman (Canton), 4:36.9  
Josh Hurst (Canton), 4:39.7  
Mike Charara (Salem), 4:40.5  
Matt Devey (Salem), 4:41.7  
Duncan Spitz (Canton), 4:42.2  
Zack Spreitzer (Canton), 4:47.3  
Craig Cowing (Salem), 4:48.8  
Alex Lang (Salem), 4:50.6  
Dan Martin (Salem), 4:53.9

#### 3,200-METER RUN

Kevin deBear (Salem), 9:58.7  
Duncan Spitz (Canton), 10:03.1  
Craig Cowing (Salem), 10:11.2  
Jason Smith (Salem), 10:13.9  
Matt Devey (Salem), 10:18.9

Kyle Clinton (Canton), 10:20.3  
Zack Spreitzer (Canton), 10:27.1  
Mike Charara (Salem), 10:38.5  
Justin Huey (Plymouth), 10:39.0  
Josh Osinski (Canton), 10:49.1  
**110-METER HIGH HURDLES**  
Vanier Joseph (Thurston), 14.6  
Marcus Bennett (Thurston), 14.7  
Mike Giles (Salem), 15.5  
Scott O'Connor (Salem), 16.5  
Tim Belcher (Canton), 16.5  
Sherif Hassanien (Canton), 16.8  
Quentin Peterson (RU), 17.8  
Jordan Norton (Canton), 18.1  
Brandon Pilligian (Plymouth), 18.9

#### 300-METER INTERMEDIATE HURDLES

Sherif Hassanien (Canton), 39.9  
Tim Belcher (Canton), 40.1  
Scott O'Connor (Salem), 41.2  
Marcus Bennett (Thurston), 42.1  
Mike Giles (Salem), 42.8  
Kyle Breitmeyer (Canton), 43.0  
Jordan Wisniewski (Canton), 45.0  
Mackenzie Barrett (RU), 45.1  
Jordan Norton (Canton), 45.6  
Winston Roberts (Canton), 45.7  
Danny Scola (RU), 45.8  
Brandon Larsen (Garden City), 46.9  
Ben Spreitzer (Canton), 47.7  
Brandon Pilligian (Plymouth), 49.0

#### 400-METER RELAY

Plymouth, 44.2  
Canton, 44.6  
Salem, 45.5  
Redford Union, 46.3  
Thurston, 49.2  
**800-METER RELAY**  
Plymouth, 1:33.5  
Canton, 1:33.7  
Salem, 1:35.3  
Redford Union, 1:36.0  
Thurston, 1:44.0  
**1,600-METER RELAY**  
Plymouth, 3:33.4  
Salem, 3:35.2  
Canton, 3:35.7  
Thurston, 3:47.2  
Redford Union, 3:51.0  
**3,200-METER RELAY**  
Canton, 8:18.5  
Garden City, 8:29.7  
Plymouth, 8:33.5  
Salem, 8:53.5

\*Coaches are encouraged to e-mail updates to Plymouth-Canton Sports Editor Ed Wright at ewright@hometownlife.com.

## GIRLS TRACK RESULTS

**800 run:** 1. Gorzalski (C), 2:42; 2. Mema (P), 2:48; 3. Balgooyen (P), 2:51.53.  
**200 dash:** 1. Ashley Banks (C), 27.41; 2. Jill Morton (P), 27.59; 3. Williams (C), 28.66.  
**3,200 run:** 1. Molly Slavens (P), 2. White (P), 13:11.0; 3. Green (P), 13:13.  
**400 relay:** 1. Canton (Swanberg, Lipa, Schmidt, Howard), 4:24.52; 2. Plymouth, 4:33.17.

### LIVONIA CHURCHILL 109, SALEM 28

**APRIL 24 AT CHURCHILL**  
**Shot put:** 1. Kyndra Abron (LC), 38 feet, 1.5 inches; 2. Taylor Bryon (LC), 32-8.5; 3. Shannon Getchen (LC), 30-4.  
**Discus:** 1. Abron (LC), 127-7; 2. Getchen (LC), 106-2; 3. Ashley Benton (S), 96-5.  
**High jump:** 1. Gierra Yetts (LC), 4-9; 2. Jaclyn Griebek (LC), 4-6; 3. Kelly Determan (S), 4-6.  
**Long jump:** 1. Regular (S), 15-3.5; 2. Alicia DiMauro (LC), 14-5; 3. Jamie Marihugh (LC), 14-0.75.  
**Pole vault:** 1. Eren Ural (LC), 9-0; 2. Marhugh (LC), 8-6; 3. DiMauro (LC), 8-0.  
**100-meter hurdles:** 1. Margarita Lazarevska (LC), 16.33; 2. Mallory Lukas (LC), 17.3; 3. Griebek (LC), 18.09.  
**300 hurdles:** 1. Lukas (LC), 50.5; 2.

Lazarevska (LC), 50.76; 3. Madeline Vala (S), no time available.  
**100 dash:** 1. Deja Wright (S), 13.2; 2. LaBerge (LC), 13.5; 3. Paige Regular (S), 14.99.  
**200:** 1. LaBerge (LC) 28.3; 2. Mattei (S), 29.1; 3. Aoude (LC), 29.7.  
**400:** 1. Rachel McFarlane (LC), 1:03.8; 2. Sara Kroll (LC), 1:04.73; 3. Aoude (LC), 1:04.73.  
**800:** 1. Emily Clairmont (LC), 2:39.8; 2. Kim Verellen (LC), 2:41.14; 3. Melissa Westrick (LC), 2:46.22.  
**1,600:** 1. McFarlane (LC), 5:17.4; 2. Kroll (LC), 5:20.8; 3. Michele Verellen (LC), 6:06.67.  
**3,200:** 1. K. Verellen (LC), 12:57.4; 2. M. Verellen (LC), 13:10.6; 3. Lauren Dykia (LC), 13:32.6.  
**400 relay:** 1. Salem, 54.93; 2. Churchill, 57.1.  
**800 relay:** 1. Churchill (Aoude, Lazarevska, Lukas, LaBerge), 1:55.73; 2. Salem, 1:59.2.  
**1,600 relay:** 1. Salem, 4:30.4; 2. Churchill, 4:41.24.  
**3,200 relay:** 1. Churchill (K. Verellen, Clairmont, Sara Niezgod, M. Verellen), 10:50.0.  
**Dual meet records:** Churchill, 4-0 overall, 3-0 WAAA-Lakes Division; Salem, 1-3 overall, 1-2 WAAA-Lakes Division.

## BOYS TRACK RESULTS

52.5; 2. Mike Hanchett (P), 53.6; 3. Davion Stackhouse (C), 53.8.  
**300 hurdles:** 1. Tim Belcher (C), 42.5; 2. Kyle Breitmeier (C), 43.0; 3. Winston Roberts (C), 45.7.  
**800 run:** 1. Kyle Wallath (P), 2:06.0; 2. Keith Zech (C), 2:06.2; 3. Paul Rakovitis (C), 2:10.8.  
**200 dash:** 1. Connor McKinney (P), 22.8; 2. Eric Piwowar (C), 23.0; 3. Ryan Randall (C), 23.8.  
**3,200 run:** 1. Justin Huey (P), 10:17.0; 2. Kyle Clinton (C), 10:20.3; 3. Zack Spreitzer (C), 10:27.1.  
**1,600 relay:** 1. Canton (Davion Stackhouse, Jordan Wisniewski, Tim Belcher, Kyle Breitmeier), 3:41.8; 2. Plymouth, 3:46.9.  
**DUAL-MEET RECORDS:** Canton, 4-2 overall; 2-1 in the WAAA Western Division.

### LIVONIA CHURCHILL 84, SALEM 55

**APRIL 24 AT CHURCHILL**  
**Shot put:** 1. Dana Baltazar (S), 47 feet, 1.5 inches; 2. Ed Merhi (S), 45-4.25; 3. Duane Najarian (LC), 42-11.5.  
**Discus:** 1. Najarian (LC), 135-9; 2. Courtney Frazier (S), 130-8; 3. Baltazar (S), 129-7.  
**High jump:** 1. Jace Beardon (S), 6-0; 2. Zack Gaskell (S), 5-9; 3. Ryan Whitlum (LC) and Kevin Appel (LC), 5-6 each.  
**Long jump:** 1. Billy Gutowski (LC), 20-6; 2. Beardon (S), 19-10; 3. Scott Coppola (LC), 18-7.  
**Pole vault:** 1. Joe Tesner (LC), 14-6; 2. Derik Peterman (LC), 14-0; 3. Paul Krutty (S), 10-6.

**110-meter hurdles:** 1. Mike Giles (S), 15.48; 2. Peterman (LC), 15.8; 3. Whitlum (LC), 16.0.  
**300 hurdles:** 1. Scott O'Connor (S), 42.2; 2. Giles (S), 43.63; 3. Ian Guerin (LC), 45.2.  
**100 dash:** 1. Emmanuel Dixon (LC), 11.53; 2. Anthony Mullins (S), 11.64; 3. Jeff Ricketts (LC), 11.83.  
**200:** 1. Devon Easterling (LC), 23.8; 2. Coppola (LC), 23.98; 3. Pat Patin (S), 24.01.  
**400:** 1. Gutowski (LC), 53.2; 2. Stephen Telenko (S), 54.37; 3. Chris DeNapoli (LC), 54.5.  
**800:** 1. Brandon Grysko (LC), 2:04.1; 2. Mark Waterbury (LC), 2:04.7; 3. Schmidt (LC), 2:05.5.  
**1,600:** 1. Waterbury (LC), 4:44.4; 2. Jason Smith (S), 4:45.4; 3. Joe Varilone (LC), 4:46.7.  
**3,200:** 1. Varilone (LC), 10:30.7; 2. Mark Freyberg (LC), 10:46.7; 3. Alex Lang (S), 10:46.5.  
**400 relay:** 1. Churchill (Ricketts, Coppola, Zach Fargo, Dixon), 45.82; 2. Salem, 45.97.  
**800 relay:** 1. Churchill (Gutowski, Coppola, Ricketts, Dixon), 1:33.8; 2. Salem, 1:36.1.  
**1,600 relay:** 1. Salem, 3:44.0; 2. Churchill, 3:52.8.  
**3,200 relay:** 1. Churchill (Schmidt, Grysko, Anthony Marietti, Paul Folk), 9:02.0; 2. Salem, 9:07.0.  
**Dual meet records:** Churchill, 4-0 overall, 3-0 WAAA-Lakes Division; Salem, 2-2 overall, 1-2 WAAA-Lakes Division.

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## Plymouth's softball team hammers pair of opponents

BY ED WRIGHT  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The heart of the Plymouth softball team's batting order was pumping at an exceptionally strong rate during the first inning of Friday afternoon's pivotal WAAA Western Division contest at Walled Lake Western.

The Wildcats' No. 3 and 4 hitters — sophomores Stacey Klonowski and Amanda Burnard — both slugged first-inning home runs to give the winners a lead they would never relinquish in their 4-2 victory.

The triumph improved Plymouth's record to 7-4 overall and 2-2 in the division. The Warriors are also 2-2.

"Stacey and Amanda complement each other well," said Plymouth coach Val Canfield. "They provide us with a lot of power in the middle of our

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line-up." Senior right-handed pitcher Meghan Patterson turned in a stellar effort on the mound for Plymouth, tossing a complete-game seven-hitter. Patterson struck out two Warriors.

Western cut its deficit to 3-1 in the third with a single run, however, the 'Cats regained a three-run edge in the top of the fourth when Gina Giordano knocked in Beth Heldmeyer, who had opened the inning with a single.

Western notched its final run in the bottom of the fourth. **PLYMOUTH 7, W.L. NORTHERN 1:** On Wednesday at Plymouth, the Wildcats won thanks to a strong debut by freshman pitcher Lauren Smith and an incredible offensive display by Klonowski.

After giving up a first-inning

run, Smith was brilliant the rest of the way, limiting the Knights to just four hits and one walk while striking out six. "I was really impressed with the movement on her pitches," Canfield said of Smith. "She did a great job of keeping the batters off balance and she was very consistent throughout the game."

Klonowski registered a once-in-a-blue-moon achievement as she hit for the cycle, ripping a home run, triple, double and single. The sophomore shortstop, who already has eight taters this season, contributed four RBI.

Other Wildcats who swung hot bats were Erin Rodes (2-for-4, double), Amy Bondy (2-for-3, stolen base) and Jessica Cicirelli, who went 2-for-4.

Plymouth out-hit their visitors, 13-4.

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## SALEM

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ferred the mound setback for the Vikings despite yielding just four hits and striking out 12.

Trailing 1-0, the Rocks knotted the game at 1-1 when Lizzy Mazorowicz led off with a single and later scored on a single by Christina Parsons.

The winning run was plated in the sixth when Parsons doubled, advanced to third on a wild pitch and scored on a hard-hit double by Cox.

"There isn't a lot of offense generated in our league this season — the pitching has become so good that the hits just aren't coming," said Southerland. "Briana has struck out 44 batters in our last four games, which is quite impressive. Now we need to find a way to break the other teams' outstanding pitchers and generate some hits."

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## Plymouth bats sizzle in lopsided victory over Walled Lake Western

What a difference two days made for the Plymouth baseball team.

On Friday — just 48 hours after dropping a 2-1 setback to Walled Lake Northern — the Wildcats punished Walled Lake Western, 18-4, with a 14-hit attack that featured a 4-for-4, 4-RBI effort from junior center fielder Ronnie Goble.

"We hit Friday and we didn't hit Wednesday," said Plymouth coach Chuck Adams, summing up his team's up-and-down week.

The Wildcats broke open an 8-4 game against the Warriors with 10 runs in the fourth. The contest was

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stopped after five innings due to the

MHSA's 10-run mercy rule.

Cliff Buttermore earned the mound victory for Plymouth, yielding six hits and four walks in five innings. He struck out five.

Along with Goble, other big sticks for the Wildcats were swung by Garrett Reban (2-for-4, three runs), Brad Lineberry (3-for-3, four runs, three RBI), Travis Mewton (1-for-2, two runs, four RBI) and Matt Priebe, who delivered a two-run, pinch-hit single.

One of Lineberry's three hits was a home run.

**W.L. CENTRAL 5, SALEM 4** (nine innings): On Friday at Central, the Vikings plated a run in the bottom of the 11th to pull out the dramatic victory. Derek Mitchell notched the win for Central while Justin Horger absorbed the setback for the Rocks. Both teams finished with 10 hits and two errors. Salem plated a pair of first-inning runs when Heath Parling singled, stole second and scored on Joe Posler's first round-tripper of the season.

The Rocks extended their lead to 3-0 in the third when Parling walked, stole second and scored on Sam Ott's single.

After Central cut its deficit to 3-1 in the fifth, Salem's Kyle Powell delivered an RBI hit to make it 4-1. However, the Vikings scored three in the bottom of the seventh to send the games to extra frames.

Salem starting pitcher Chris Kordick threw 6.1 solid innings. **CANTON 7, STEVENSON 3:** On Wednesday at Stevenson, the Chiefs improved to 6-5 overall thanks to strong hitting from Dan Stoney and Matt Barylski, and outstanding pitching from sophomore Alex Dixon.

Stoney went 2-for-3 with a double, home run and three RBI, while Barylski enjoyed a 3-for-3 performance at the plate. Dixon was outstanding, limiting the heavy-hitting Spartans to just 1 run and three hits in 3.2 innings of work. He also fanned two batters.

Jake Wilson ripped three hits for Stevenson, which slipped to 3-7.

**SALEM 10, FRANKLIN 2:** On Wednesday at Salem, the Rocks improved to 5-4 behind the stellar pitching of junior right-hander Joe Posler, who bolstered his record to 3-0 with six solid innings of mound work. Posler yielded his first two earned runs of the season in the top of the first, but settled down to stifle the Patriots' bats the rest of the way. The Rocks' outthit Franklin, 12-4, thanks to a 3-for-4 effort from Matt Woster, who clubbed an RBI double and scored two runs. Other offensive fireworks for the winners were provided by Sam Ott (2-for-2, three runs, RBI), Posler (double, three RBI) and Dana Lorber (2-for-4, two RBI).

**W.L. NORTHERN 2, PLYMOUTH 1:** On Wednesday at Northern, both teams registered five hits, but the Knights managed to manufacture the game-deciding run in the bottom of the sixth inning. Senior Garrett Reban took a tough loss for Plymouth, yielding just five hits and three walks while striking out one in six innings of work. The lone run for Plymouth came in the fourth when Matt Skubik knocked in Brad Lineberry with a sacrifice fly. Lineberry was the lone 'Cat with two hits. Reban threw just 63 pitches in the complete-game loss.

**AGAPE 4, FRANKLIN ROAD 3:** On Thursday, senior Jared Miller earned the win with two innings of perfect relief. The captain also sparked at the plate, going 2-for-2 with a solo home run and a double.

Agape, which improved to 4-4 overall and 2-3 in the MIAC Blue, surged to a 3-0 first-inning lead before Franklin Road knotted the game at 3-all with one run in the second and two in the fifth. The Wolverines scored the game-winning run in the bottom of the sixth when Ethan Walker reached on a bunt single, stole second and scored on Mark Mullett's single.



Plymouth Christian Academy thrower Josh Allen practices his discus form as Kim Davies, Zack Burton and Kyle Lemieux look on.

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## PCA

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worked out on her own and her mom used to drive her to all the meets."

Francis qualified for the Division 4 state meet during both her freshman and sophomore seasons, giving PCA the unique distinction of being the only team in the state that could say all of its runners qualified for the state meet.

### Step in the right direction

"Speaking of blessings, something happened prior to the 2007 season that did wonders for the school's diminutive track program.

"There wasn't a coach and someone found out I ran a little, so they asked me if I would help out," explained Lemieux, who has children that attend middle school at PCA. "I love track, so I agreed to become the coach. Mr. Varney, who used to be the track coach here a few years back, taught me everything I needed to do, and here we are."

In reality, the modest Lemieux ran more than just "a little." She's an accomplished long-distance runner who qualified for and ran in the 2007 Boston Marathon.

"It's so helpful that coach Lemieux is a runner because she'll run with us and help pace us," said Francis. "She'll do just about anything for us, which is why the team has grown like it has."

"And the main reason we've been able to get along without a track is because she makes practices fun. We work hard, but we have fun, too."



Jennifer Lemieux has seen her Plymouth Christian Academy boys and girls track team nearly double in size since last year.

### Enjoy the moment

Among the conventional practice routines that all high school track athletes endure — repeats, calisthenics, etc. — Lemieux has sprinkled in some smile-inducing rituals.

"There's a 7-11 one mile away, so once a week we have a slushy run — one mile there and one mile back," she said, smiling. "And when we run the hill over at Plymouth High School (the team uses the PCEP junior varsity stadium for practices one night a week if there are no conflicts with other sporting events), the kids run up the hill, then roll down it."

"Yes, we want to win and we work hard, but I think it's also important to have fun."

Despite the obstacles the Eagles face, they're making noticeable strides when they do get to compete on normal tracks at their weekly meets and the occasional weekend invitational.

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## Rock kickers secure key win over Knights

On Wednesday at the PCEP soccer stadium, the Rocks jumped to a 2-0 halftime edge and staved off a late charge by the Walled Lake Northern to survive with a 2-1 triumph.

The victory improved the Rocks' record to 4-3-2 overall and 2-2 in the Lakes Division.

"It was a huge win for us," said Salem coach Joe Nora.

"We played well Monday (a 1-0 loss to Walled Lake Central), but we couldn't get the ball in the net. Tonight, the girls played hard and kept shooting and we beat a very skilled team in Northern. We won a lot of the 50-50 balls, which was important."

Freshman forward Kristina Klusek broke a scoreless tie with a goal off an assist from Kaylyn Brzys 15 minutes into the contest.

Brzys doubled the Rocks' lead to 2-0 with 10 minutes left in the first half when she

scored after securing a pass from Mackenzie Rogers.

Northern scored its lone goal with three minutes left in the game.

"They put everybody into their attack and eventually put one in," said Nora.

Salem senior net-minder Kristen Dondzila was nearly flawless, stopping five of the six shots that came her way.

**W.L. CENTRAL 1, SALEM 0:** On Monday, Salem's Ariel Dews narrowly missed knotting the game up in the first half with a hard, low shot that rung off the post. The Vikings' lone goal came on a free kick in the first half.

"We put a lot of pressure on them in the second half, but we couldn't find the net," said Salem coach Joe Nora. "It was a tough loss, but the girls played very well and we are making great progress."

### TENNIS RESULTS

#### SALEM 7 WESTLAND-JOHN GLENN 1

**WEDNESDAY AT SALEM**  
No. 1 singles: Tracy Lytle (S) defeated Samantha Giles, 6-1, 6-0; No. 2: Allie Carpenter (S) def. Sara Pruitt, 6-1, 6-0; No. 3: Liz McKinley (S) def. Jenny Bone, 6-2, 6-0; No. 4: Linda Ling (S) def. Louissa Villaroman, 6-2, 6-0.

No. 1 doubles: 1. Ariel Rojo-Rachel Norman (S) def. Kashenna Martin-Kaylyn Bothell, 6-4, 6-1; No. 2: Amanda Emmons-Alex Lamb (S) def. Hallie Baker-Brooke Zywick, 6-4, 6-3; No. 3: Lauren Baker-Destree Clenney (JG) def. Emily Hayler-Jennifer Hunsaker, 7-5, 6-4; No. 4: Jenna Gambino-Bethany Haller (S) def. Latina Yacks-Nicole Walter, 6-4, 6-0.  
DUAL-MEET RECORDS: Salem, 5-1.

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### GOLF RESULTS

#### DUAL MEET RESULTS

**CANTON 153, LIVONIA STEVENSON 71**  
APRIL 25 AT HILTOP C.C.  
Canton scorers: Zake Conrad, 37 (medalist); Andrew Rickerman, 37; Aaron Blase, 39; Brendan Muir and Jeremy Lindlbauer, 41 each; Clark Albers, 43.  
Stevenson scorers: Christian Debay and Drew Mossioian, 42 each; Tim Mlsk, 43; Adam Giordano, 44; Tom Cullum, 45.  
Dual match records: Canton, 2-0 overall, 1-0 Western Lakes Activities Association; Stevenson, 1-1 overall, 0-1 WLAA.

#### SALEM 173, WAYNE MEMORIAL 191

APRIL 24 AT THE WOODLANDS  
Salem scorers: Joel Cheesman, 39 (medalist); Tyler Jeleniewski, 42; Aaron Thompson, 45; Josh Perrin, 47; Kyle Zink, 48; Adam Hammell, 52.  
Wayne scorers: Jacob Smith, 43; Jack Zimmerman, 48; Andrew Morton, 49; Gary Neill and Ryan Raymor, 51 each; Kevin Erdman, 52.  
Dual match records: Salem, 1-0 overall, 1-0 WLAA; Wayne, 0-1 overall, 0-1 WLAA.

#### CANTON 157

PLYMOUTH 162  
WEDNESDAY AT FOX HILLS  
Canton: Zach Conrad, 37; Andrew Rickerman, 38; Jeremy Lindlbauer, 40; Clark Albers, 42; Brendan Muir, 43; Kendall Persons, 47.  
Plymouth: Kyle Sanders, 39; Andrew Overmeyer, 39; Kyle Eisiminger, 42; Trevor Bidwell, 42; Nate Conroy, 45; Ryan Bauer, 45.  
DUAL-MEET RECORDS: Canton, 1-0; Plymouth, 1-1.

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### APRIL

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#### Healthy cooking competition

Presented by Oakland County Medical Society and Schoolcraft College noon to 3 p.m. Monday, April 28, at the college's Culinary Arts School, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia.

#### Diabetes education day

Free meters and educational materials noon to 3 p.m. Monday, April 28, at Sam's Club, 39800 Ford, east of 275, Canton. Bring a prescription for ACCU-Check meter, test strips and lancets. Call (734) 981-4460.

#### Caregiving conference

5:30-9 p.m. Monday, April 28, at Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. To register, call (734) 282-7171. Conference covers legal and financial planning, home health care, adult day care, nursing homes and assisted living, elder abuse, medical equipment, and support groups for caregivers.

### UPCOMING

#### Donate Life fund-raiser

The Alive '08 organ donation event takes place 6-9 p.m. Thursday, May 1, at the Detroit Science Center. Evening includes, silent and sports auction, food, a chocolate fountain, and a ceremony honoring all heroes of donation, music by "Current" Jazz Ensemble from Orchard Lake Middle School. Tickets \$60, \$110 for 2, \$450 for 10. Visit [www.donatelifemichigan.org](http://www.donatelifemichigan.org) or call (248) 770-5172. For information about registering as an organ donor, visit [gifttolifemichigan.org](http://gifttolifemichigan.org) or call (800) 482-4881.

#### Relay for Life

Deadline to RSVP for the Costume Potluck party in Canton is Thursday, May 1. It is being hosted by Dawn Ham-Kucharski, her husband Rich and their son Alex to raise money for the American Cancer Society on behalf of members of Team Plymouth AM Rotary/Carlson Travel who are participating in the 24-hour Relay for Life Event at Heritage Park in Canton May 17-18. To enter the party on Sunday, May 4, you have to wear a costume, bring a dish to share and pay \$5 per family, \$5 per individuals with a guest. To RSVP, call (734) 335-7082 or send e-mail to [alexsmom1@comcast.net](mailto:alexsmom1@comcast.net).

#### Hearing loss events

Walk4Hearing 10 a.m. (registration begins at 9 a.m.) Saturday, May 3, at the East Boat Dock of Kensington Metro Park, Milford. Proceeds go to support Hearing Loss Association of America programs. For information or to register, visit [www.Walk4Hearing.org](http://www.Walk4Hearing.org). Day at the State Capitol in Lansing Wednesday, May 21, chartered bus leaves Tel/Twelve Mall (cost \$30), participants meet with their state representative and senator, and attend a session of the Senate and House, hearing access provided the entire event. For a registration form, call (586) 247-4053 or send e-mail to [ngibben1@fhhs.org](mailto:ngibben1@fhhs.org). A bus registration form may be obtained from the Hearing Loss Association of Michigan, P.O. Box 4808, Troy, MI 48099.

#### MS Walk

Keep us moving towards a cure by joining a team, raising funds, and/or volunteering in the Metro Detroit Northeast Walk MS at Troy High School on Sunday, May 4. To register or for information, visit [www.nationalMS-society.org/mig](http://www.nationalMS-society.org/mig).

#### Recovery, Inc.

The support group meets at 10 a.m., Wednesdays at Prince of Peace Church, Walnut Lake Road and Green, West Bloomfield. Recovery, Inc. is an international, non-profit, self-help community based organization that helps people with nervous and emotional disorders reduce their suffering and improve quality of life. Call Martha Paul at (248) 682-9362 or send e-mail to [marthapaul@sbcglobel.net](mailto:marthapaul@sbcglobel.net).

The self-help meetings in Livonia run 7:30 p.m. Monday St. Matthew's Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile; 1:15 p.m. Thursday, Mt. Hope Congregational Church, 30330 Schoolcraft, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard. For information, call (313) 561-2521 or visit [www.recovery-inc.org](http://www.recovery-inc.org). No charge, contributions collected.

#### Volunteers needed

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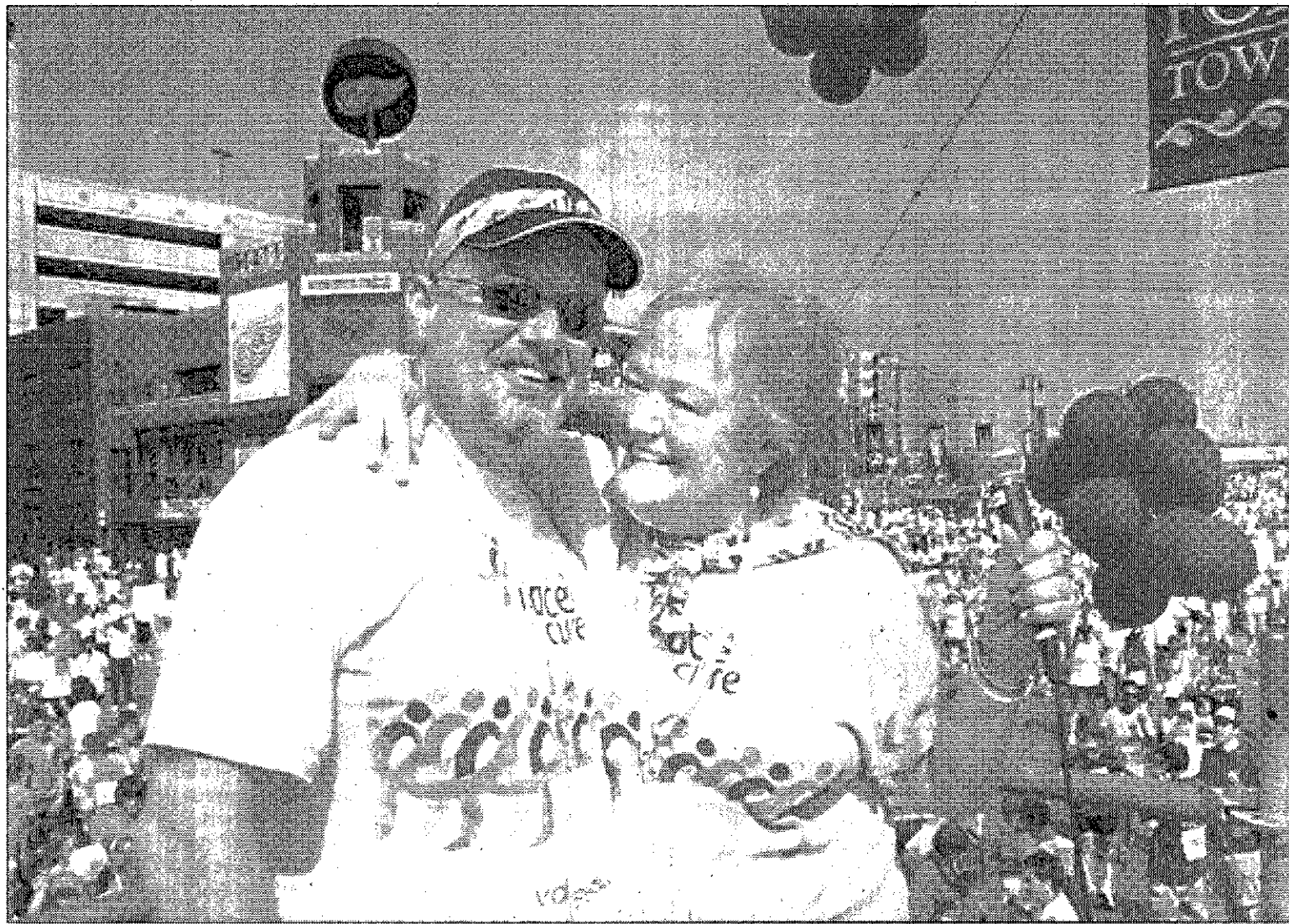


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Maureen Meldrum, chairwoman of the Komen Detroit Race for Cure, and her brother Brendan Keenan enjoy last year's celebration of survivors. Meldrum was treated for breast cancer 17 years ago. Today she is director of breast cancer special programs at the Karmanos Cancer Institute.

# Race against breast cancer

## Event closing in on a cure

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER



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Last year's Susan G. Komen Detroit Race for the Cure raised \$350,000 for breast cancer research, \$1.3 million for local programs to educate, screen and treat low income and under/insured women and men in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

### KOMEN DETROIT RACE FOR THE CURE

**What:** 17th Annual Susan G. Komen Detroit Race for the Cure, a 5K run/walk and 1-mile walk to stop breast cancer

**When:** 7-11:30 a.m. Saturday, May 31; opening ceremony 8 a.m., race/walks 9 a.m.

**Where:** Comerica Park, Detroit

**Details:** Online team registration through May 13, individuals through May 29, at [www.karmanos.org/racefortheuredetroit](http://www.karmanos.org/racefortheuredetroit). \$12-\$40 cost varies by age. On-site registration available at May 30 Expo or race day beginning at 7 a.m. Expo is 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, May 30, at Max Fisher Music Center, 3711 Woodward, Detroit (free)

Theresa Poore more than likely won't be in the 17th annual Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure on May 31, at Comerica Park. She still doesn't know if chemotherapy is needed to fight the breast cancer she was diagnosed with in January. But just wait until the 2009 walks and run presented by the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute. The Farmington Hills woman plans to join the more than 1,500 breast cancer survivors in pink shirts who annually lead tens of thousands of participants in raising money for research, education, screening and treatment.

Poore is proof that early detection saves lives. Mammograms became routine after her mother was diagnosed with breast cancer 16 years ago.

"It wasn't a complete surprise. I have aunts who had it, my mom who's 86 now," said Poore who taught in Detroit Public Schools for 30 years. "This was my fourth biopsy, but this one was on the left. I didn't feel it and my gynecologist didn't. This was so small they gave me the option of coming back in six months but I just had a feeling."

Poore insisted on a biopsy. "It's scary when people tell you it's malignant. You automatically get frightened," said Poore. "I just found out it hadn't spread. That's one thing about cancer, your life changes. I had a lumpectomy and see the oncologist on Thursday."

Poore's mother was one of the women who received a mastectomy as standard treatment. Over the years advances in diagnostics have made it possible to detect cancer earlier and save the breast. Still Dr. Cassann Blake worries that women are putting off mammograms.

"We have recent statistics in the last year that show less women got their mammograms. When they do get them regularly they're diagnosed early," said Blake, co-director of the Alexander Walt Comprehensive Breast Center at Karmanos Cancer Institute. A surgical oncologist Blake has been treating breast cancer patients 6 years. "We've seen a lot of advances — Evista now being used as prevention, Herceptin targeted to HER2 protein, most recently Avastin previously used for colorectal cancer. Even in my role as a surgeon, we

consider offering patients partial breast radiation with the input of our radiation oncologist. They may only need a week instead of five. I don't think a cure is too much to ask but the earlier we can diagnose."

Maureen Meldrum is proud of the fact that last year about \$350,000 from Detroit's race went to research scientists working in Detroit, \$1.3 million to local programs for breast health education, screening and treatment for low income and under/insured women and men in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

"Komen has just announced \$100 million in research grants for this year, the largest in its 26-year history, a 30 percent increase over last year," said Meldrum, chairperson of Detroit Race for the Cure and director of breast cancer special programs at Karmanos. "Komen celebrated its 25th year last year with an investment of over \$1 billion and a goal of investing \$2 billion by 2017 saying they wouldn't wait another 25 years because it's much too urgent."

When Meldrum was diagnosed with breast cancer 17 years ago she didn't know much about the disease. Programs made possible by grants from the race, and the event itself, have raised awareness. "Women with no insurance can get screening and get their cancer caught early when it's most treatable. They are educated and then can turn back to their community and educate others about early detection," said Meldrum of Lathrup Village. "There's a lot we don't know about breast cancer. We don't know a lot about what causes it but the five year survival rate for early detection is 98 percent."

"Every woman doesn't have the same opportunities I have. Until every woman has access to the quality of care I had we're not going to rest. Race for the Cure is a wonderful celebratory day with 20 bands, 10,000 pink ribbons waving along Woodward. My first race was Komen's first race. I had just begun chemo and was very fragile and frightened. For a newly diagnosed woman and her family to see these pink shirts is such a hopeful sight. I just hope people will come out and everyone can make a difference."

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# Leukemia patient in need of marrow transplant

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
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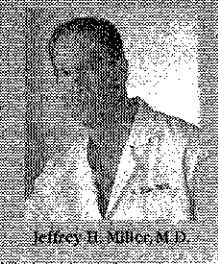
Lucy Lussenden sounds frantic. What mother wouldn't be? Her daughter Deb Rusnock is desperately in need of a marrow transplant but no donor has been found. The family isn't giving up though. Beginning in May they're promoting drives around the area in partnership with the National Marrow Donor Program ([marrow.org](http://marrow.org)). A swab from the inside of a prospective donor's cheek is all that is needed to determine a match. "Because my daughter needs a match and has some rogue things in her DNA they're having a problem finding a match and only a match can save her life," said Lussenden of Livonia. "No one in the family is a match. It could be a total stranger that's a match. "I want my daughter to live. I want her to live to see her daughter marry and have children someday, just like every mother wants."

Rusnock worries that many potential donors believe the process is painful and therefore hesitate to sign up for the registry. The Livonia woman was diagnosed with acute myelogenous leukemia in February 2004. After receiving chemotherapy she went into remission for three years. The leukemia returned in April 2007. For the next month she will have to stay in the hospital for another round of chemotherapy. "People don't understand," said Rusnock, 52. "It's not the old fashioned way where they delve into your bone (for the marrow for a transplant). If a match is found, the donor comes in and they draw blood from the donor and a machine skims stem cells off and the unused blood goes back into the donor then they do an IV into the recipient." Donors must be between the ages of 18 and 60 to be eligible to sign up for the registry that helps all patients in search of a marrow

transplant not just Rusnock. The drives are among hundreds taking place across the country as part of the National Marrow Donor Program's Thanks Mom campaign May 5-19. The first local marrow drive takes place 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, May 5, at Interior Dynamics, 1742 Crooks, Troy 48084. The opportunity to become a donor continues 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 6, at Qualigence, 35200 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150; 4-8 p.m. Wednesday, May 7, at Whitmore Lake Rod and Gun Club, 11150 Lemen Rd., Whitmore Lake, west of U.S. 23, south of M-36, 48189, and 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, May 11, at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington, north of Six Mile, Livonia. For more information, visit [www.marrow.org](http://www.marrow.org) or call (800) MARROW-2.

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# Chiefs' Dunleavy ignites LAX win

BY ED WRIGHT  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Canton lacrosse player Kyle Dunleavy started a good kind of fire Thursday against Hartland.

Dunleavy ignited the Chiefs' 7-3 victory when he intercepted a pass from the Eagles' goalie less than two minutes into the game and promptly stuck the ball in the back of the net.

"The game got a little chippy toward the end, but the defense was strong," said Canton coach Kevin Riley.

The brother combo of Jake and Joey Underwood continued to shine for the Chiefs as the combined for four goals. Matt Rodgers also found the back of the net for the winners.

The Eagles' fourth-quarter rally was stifled by the Chiefs' defense, which was spearheaded by All-State goalie Justin Scott and defender Mac Ganzak.

**SOUTH LYON 20, PCS 4:** On Thursday at South Lyon, the Lions improved their record to 11-0 with a convincing victory over the Lady Warriors.

"We found out first-hand why all the other teams in the league refer to South Lyon as a juggernaut," said Plymouth-Canton-Salem coach Dave Medley. "Not



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Canton's Brett Phillips secures a ground ball during a game earlier this season. Phillips and the Chiefs upended Hartland, 7-3, earlier this week.

only are they undefeated, but no team has scored more than four goals against them. Fortunately, we were one of them."

The PCS scoring attack was evenly divided between Kate Spangler, Natalie Sitko, Chelsea Olson and Amanda Yang.

The setback dropped the Lady Warriors' record 5-2 and into a second-place tie with Brighton.

The Lady Warriors face the unenviable task of having to take on both the Bulldogs

and Lions once more each this season.

**YPSI-LINCOLN 19, PLYMOUTH 16:** On Tuesday at the PCEP junior varsity stadium the Wildcats saw a 9-6 halftime lead slip away at the hands of the Railsplitters.

The loss dropped the first-year Wildcats to 4-4.

Patrick Downey excelled for the 'Cats, notching six goals and one assist. Other big-time efforts were turned in by Pat Smiatecz (four goals and two assists); Ryan Renault (three goals and one assist); and Connor Martin, who registered three assists.

The Railsplitters outshot the Wildcats, 52-33.

"First team to 20 wins," Plymouth coach Mike Costello joked following his team's narrow defeat. "What a game offensively by both teams. We had some great efforts out there tonight. We moved the ball and took some good shots. We just need to find a way to stop our opposition."

"I know we are young and developing and we play very well in spots. The team just needs to put it all together for 48 minutes."

John Olevnik, Tony McLaughlin and Patrick Miller scored single goals for the Wildcats.

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## Staying at home can be wonderful for young dad

Please help me out with this. I am a 27-year-old man that is planning to quit my job and stay at home with my two daughters, ages 3 and 14 months. My wife and I have both worked full time and feel that we are missing out on raising our daughters so we decided that it would be in their best interest, as well as ours, if one of us could stay home with them full time. Financially, she makes about two and a half times what I do so the decision was easy ... I will be the one to stay home.



Chat Room

Terry Wilamowski

The problem is that everyone seems to think that this is the worst idea ever. Our friends seem to think that I'm some kind of bum or that I won't be able to handle the girls on my own. Even my family has called my masculinity into question. Is it so difficult to believe that a man can be a good parent? Is it impossible to understand that stay-at-home fathers can be every bit as effective as stay-at-home mothers? Or am I the one that's mistaken? Is there something wrong with a father taking care of the children while the mother goes to work?

I'm sorry that you are experiencing such opposition to this plan because I would like to applaud you and your wife for even considering this family structure. Sure, if a family can afford it, it's usually the mother that stays home with the children, but there is absolutely nothing in the parenting rule-book that says that a father cannot or should not fill this role. I believe that a father can be every bit as effective and nurturing as a mother and every bit as capable of being a stay-at-home parent.

The lack of support that you are experiencing is probably the direct result of the fact that you are not adhering to societal norms and traditions. In effect you are planning to become abnormal and, frankly, this tends to make people nervous and uncomfortable. Let me be perfectly clear, being "abnormal" is not a bad thing, nor is it a good thing, it is just a "thing." Whenever a person does something that defies convention they will face some resistance and criticism, justified or not. This is a sad fact of society. The good news is that if you can withstand this negativity, you can experience something truly wonderful and worthwhile: spending time with your children.

All of the criticisms that you are and will be facing can be endured and countered if this is the right decision for your family. Anyone that believes that being a stay-at-home parent is easy and that you are taking the easy way out by staying home, has never done this kind of work. In addition, anyone that questions your masculinity as a result of this plan needs to re-evaluate their notion of "manhood." Most women would agree that a man that is a good father is far more masculine and desirable than one that is not. Just ask your wife. In short, no, there is absolutely nothing wrong with a father that chooses to stay at home and raise his children while his wife works outside of the home. After all, raising our children is the most important vocation of all.

My 10-year-old son has been having horrible nightmares. He wakes up screaming and kicking and punching the air as if he's fighting for his life. We try to wake him up, but he doesn't seem to know that we're even there even though his eyes are open. When we do get him to wake up he says that he doesn't even remember dreaming at all. The whole thing is scary. What can we do about this?

It sounds as if your son is experiencing night terrors. Night terrors are a kind of dream that usually occur within the first 60 to 90 minutes of sleep and involves restless and seemingly wakeful actions, such as screaming, kicking, thrashing around, hitting, etc. And as traumatic as this all may seem, the dreamer seldom, if ever, remembers any of it.

The first thing that I would recommend is that you take your son to get a physical to rule out anything medical. Some research suggests that these night terrors are the result of seizures not unlike epilepsy. In addition, explore for the possibility of significant stressors that may be triggering these events, such as any big changes in his life, etc.

If everything checks out OK, the next step is to interrupt the pattern of sleep that produces these night terrors. Try waking your child when he has been asleep for about 45 to 50 minutes, which is just prior to when the night terrors usually occur. After a few days to a week of doing this, the night terrors usually subside. If they don't, contact a qualified child therapist to assist you with more individualized interventions.

Terry Wilamowski is a clinical therapist specializing in the treatment of children, adolescents and their families at Heron Ridge Associates in Plymouth. Questions and comments can be sent to [terrywilamowski@yahoo.com](mailto:terrywilamowski@yahoo.com).



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Raychel Rork (left), Dianne Quinn, Terri O'Brien, and Mandi Buckland are partnering to put on the first Green Street Fair in Plymouth.

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
O&E STAFF WRITER



Dianne Quinn looked down at the potato she was preparing for Christmas dinner and couldn't believe how big it was. Then it dawned on the Plymouth woman she was feeding her family chemicals.

Since that epiphany more than a year ago, she's changed her shopping habits not only for produce but everyday products such as household cleaners. It was a turning point that has everything to do with watching her two grandchildren running around the house while she and daughter Raychel Rork work on last-minute details for Art in the Park in Plymouth.

Quinn is concerned about their future so what better way to do her part than by putting on a Green Street Fair May 3-4 in downtown Plymouth to educate the public about keeping the planet healthy for generations to come.

"I began researching organics," said Quinn. "This (green movement) is not a fad. This is for real. This is about our world and of course for our children and grandchildren. Even if they can't come to the event they can listen to the speakers on a line feed on our Web site ([www.greenstreetfair.com](http://www.greenstreetfair.com)). There's so much more to learn, to teach about recycling."

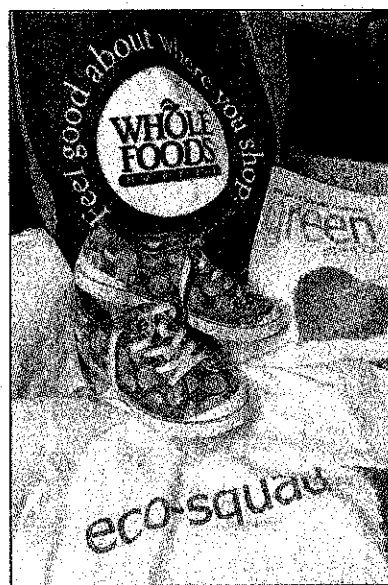
The mother-daughter team has plenty of expertise in organizing the art fair Quinn founded 29 years ago. To ensure the success of the green fair the two are partnering with Mandi Buckland and Terri O'Brien whose Street Marketing firm has promoted the art extravaganza with more than 400 exhibitors every July for the last eight or nine years.

### GREEN OPTIONS

Green Street will be just that with companies selling eco-friendly sneakers made from recycled tire treads and plastic bottles, independents offering organic hemp and cotton bags to make Home Grown Sprouts, an Alternative Highway where visitors can learn about hybrid vehicles, or hear speakers talk about how our choices and what we eat effects the earth and all its inhabitants. Drop off your old crocs to be recycled into new shoes to be donated.

Please see **GREEN, C5**

The Green Street Fair spotlights a variety of eco-friendly products from sneakers made with recycled tire tread and plastic bottles to canvas shopping bags that replace plastic and paper at the checkout.



### GREEN STREET FAIR

**When:** 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, May 3, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, May 4  
**Where:** Downtown Plymouth, north of Ann Arbor Road at Main Street  
**Details:** Visit [www.greenstreetfair.com](http://www.greenstreetfair.com)

## Lace makers weave a love for the art



TOM HOFFMEYER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Shirley Coe works on a lace snake bookmark in her Redford home.

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Shirley Coe carefully unrolls the bobbin lace she wove on a special pillow. The finely crafted linen threads represent hours of work, but in this case it's all for the love of her daughter. The delicate handiwork will soon adorn the border of a tablecloth for Sue's table.

Over the years, Coe's lace has accented important aspects of her family's life, including decorating her daughter's wedding veil and flowers and a garter for her granddaughter. Coe has nine grandchildren, four great-granddaughters and would like to see the art live on. On Saturday, May 3, Coe and the Great Lakes Lace Group share their Love of Lace at a daylong event at the Livonia Civic Center Library. Members come from as far away as Midland, Cadillac, Ohio, and Indiana to attend.

### LOVE OF LACE

**What:** A day of lace making, demonstrations, try-it tables, vendors, displays  
**When:** 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 3  
**Where:** Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road  
**Details:** No charge. For information, visit [GLLG.org](http://GLLG.org).

Lace making reached its peak in the late 17th and early 18th centuries.

Visitors can learn about the different types from bobbin to tatted by visiting displays, watching demonstrations, or trying their hand at the craft.

"Vendors come from all over and bring everything from pillows to bobbins to thread and tatting supplies," said Coe, 75, of Redford.

Please see **LACE, C3**

## Salon holds events to raise money for breast cancer walk

Rebekah Dupuis and the rest of the staff at the salon Philip Nolan's is inviting the community to help their team raise money for the Susan G. Komen 3-Day event this fall.

The Pink Themed bake sale takes place 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, May 9, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 10, at Philip Nolan's in the Northridge Commons at 33523 W. Eight Mile.

All proceeds go directly to support the team's members

who will participating in the Susan G. Komen 3-Day Walk. Philip Nolan's has been in Livonia 28 years and most of the staff has been together 15 to 20-years.

For more information, call the salon at (248) 478-2626.

In addition to the bake sale, staff is working on fundraisers from raffles to selling crystal bracelets. On May 19, and June 29, they'll hold charity haircutting days, and a golf outing at Fox Creek on Aug. 10.

## Pianist brings lifelong love of music to recital series

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Angela Cheng has one word for parents struggling to instill a love of piano in their children - practice.

Cheng wouldn't be traveling the world giving concerts if she didn't spend hours at the keyboard every day.

Music was simply a part of her family's life in Hong Kong. Her mother conducted a chamber ensemble and choir. Her grandfather owned music stores in China. Her aunt, a professional piano teacher, took over her lessons at age 5. Cheng's mother had taught her the basics beginning at 3 1/2.

"My family was great lovers of classical music," said Cheng who moved to Edmonton in the Canadian province of Alberta with her family at age 11. She went on to earn a bachelor of music from The Juilliard School in New York City and a master's degree from Indiana University in 1982.

"You either played piano or violin. All my cousins played, all my aunts and uncles. I grew up in that kind of environment."

Over the years Cheng's practice paid off. She won numerous awards including the Gold Medal at the Arthur Rubinstein International Piano Master Competitions and was the first Canadian to win the prestigious Montreal International Piano Competition (1988.) She has performed with more than 100 orchestras including Montreal, Toronto and the Boston Pops, and given master classes at the University of Michigan, Hong Kong Academy for the Performing Arts, and the Glen Gould School at the Royal Conservatory of Music in Toronto, to name a few. Today, in addition to performing 40-concerts a year, she trains future pianists as an associate professor at Oberlin Conservatory of Music in Ohio. She has made recordings for Koch International and CBC Records. Her latest CD was all Chopin for Universal Music Canada.



PHOTO BY LISA KOHLER

Angela Cheng closes the 2007-2008 Schoolcraft College Evening Recital Series with a program of Beethoven, Haydn, Schumann, Schubert, and Canadian composer Alexine Louie on May 9.

### SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE EVENING RECITAL SERIES

**What:** Continues with pianist Angela Cheng  
**When:** 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 9  
**Where:** Presentation room in the VistaTech Center, Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia  
**Tickets:** \$20, \$10 student, available at [www.schoolcraft.edu/foundation/events](http://www.schoolcraft.edu/foundation/events) or call (734) 462-4403

On Friday, May 9, Cheng returns to Schoolcraft College for a program featuring Haydn, Beethoven, Schumann, Schubert and Canadian composer Alexina Louie. She has been invited back by Donald

Morelock, chairman of the music department, who says Angela (Cheng) is one of my favorite people performing today.

Both of Cheng's children, Alyssa, 10, and Amanda, 12, continue in her footsteps playing piano. She admits it's difficult to get them to practice between lessons even though her and husband Alvin Chow are accomplished pianists. Chow is chairman of the piano department at Oberlin.

"I definitely encourage parents to find a teacher who's supportive, but the most important thing is practice," said Cheng. "Practice is very lonely, but if you don't practice you can't get better."

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## Irish-Americans spotlight culture

Several Irish events are taking place in early May including a concert, competition, and lecture.

James S. Rogers talks about Irish America in the Fifties at noon Tuesday, May 6, at the Gaelic League, 2068 Michigan Ave., Detroit. Rogers is director of the Center for Irish Studies, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul and editor of New Hibernia Review published by the university. He will discuss the many ways in which literature, movies and the resurgence of traditional music show that Irish-American culture and identity were still alive in the 50's. The cost is \$12 and includes lunch. For information, call (248) 540-6687.

On Friday-Saturday, May 9-10, the Detroit Irish Music Association hosts the 2008 Midwest Fleadh Ceoil (Festival of Music), at the Doubletree Hotel in Dearborn. First and second place winners of the competition qualify for the All-Ireland Fleadh in September in Ireland.

To raise money for the Midwest event which gets underway 8:30 a.m. Saturday, May 10, the Detroit Irish Music Association is presenting a concert and ceili dance 8 p.m. Friday, May 9, featuring Boholo with all-Ireland champion accordionist Jimmy Keane and multi-instrumentalist and balladeer Pat Broaders. Irish tenor Paddy Homan, originally from County Cork, performs as well as step dancers from the Heinzman School of Dance.

Tickets are \$15, free for competitors and \$5 for Saturday pass holders. Passes are \$15 for all day, \$8 for the morning only or evening only programs. For more information, call (313) 537-3489 or (248) 837-8022.

## Meet your new best friend at GreyHeart events

GreyHeart Greyhound Rescue & Adoption of Michigan is hold a number of Meet & Greets in May to find homes for the dogs. The first event takes place noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 3, at the Livonia Pet Supplies "Plus," 29493 W. Seven Mile, (248) 615-0039.

The Canton Petco hosts the rescue group noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, May 4, at 43435 Ford Road at Morton Taylor. ACO Hardware is the place to be if you're looking to adopt a greyhound 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, May 25, at 37133 Six Mile, Livonia.

For more information, send an e-mail to [jfoxley@comcast.net](mailto:jfoxley@comcast.net).

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Response to pressure point testing remains a basic feature. Physicians consider an individual with 12-18 pressure points as having fibromyalgia, even if the other features are not present. The diagnosis also holds if a patient has few or no trigger points, but experiences the fatigue, tingling, that is also a part of the condition.

No person will have all the features of Fibromyalgia. Today, the characteristic presentation of Fibromyalgia is not the classical one that depended on multiple points. Making the diagnosis rests on a series of changes. However, now as in the past, no laboratory tests exist that can confirm or deny that your diagnosis is Fibromyalgia.

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# LACE

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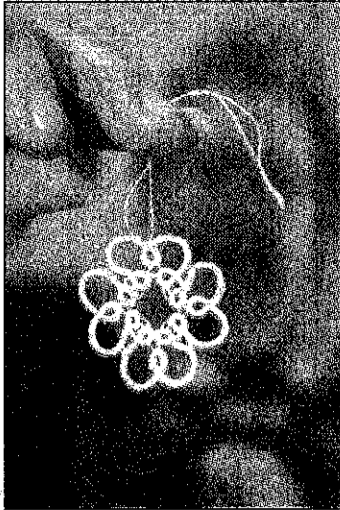
Coe is currently president of the G.L.G. "It's knitting, crocheting, all kinds of lace. It's a fun event. They can sit down and talk with lacers. For me I just like lace. It's a beautiful thing to have and do."

Coe began making lace more than 25 years ago after watching a demonstration at the Michigan State Fair. She started with bobbin lace and then tatting which is sometimes more difficult to learn.

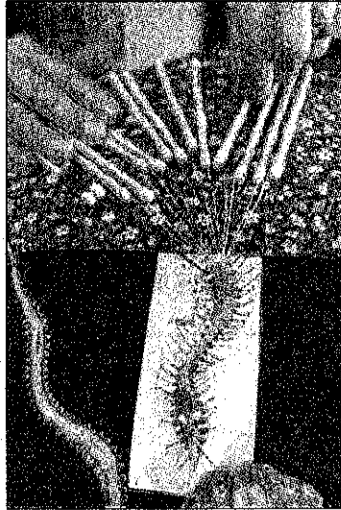
"Bobbin is done on a pillow with pins, tatting with a shuttle held in the hand. The technique of bobbin lace people pick up a little bit faster because you have to be able to flip the thread in tatting and people get a little confused with the technique," said Coe.

"I tat every night. I carry around a bag of supplies. That's how I got my daughter's veil done."

Today, Coe likes to do more tatting than bobbin lace because of its portability. If she has a doctor's appointment and must wait, she can pull out her thread and shuttle and work. Coe and various members will demonstrate tatting and bobbin lace at the May



Shirley Coe of Redford displays a lace snowflake she created to hang on her miniature tree at Christmas.



Shirley Coe of Redford straightens out the bobbins as she works on her lace snake bookmark.

3 event. Cari Baum will help visitors make a mouse bookmark on a bobbin pillow, Coe a snake.

"It takes seven pairs of bobbin attached to cotton thread to make a snake bookmark," said Coe. "Kids love to work these. I taught my grandson Brandon to make a snake at 5 years old and he won a ribbon at the state fair. Any time we demonstrate and ask for volunteers kids are the first ones to raise their hand to try it."

"You're twisting and crossing threads to make a pattern.

There's no knotting."

Coe's only real problem when it comes to making lace is keeping her cats, Tweety and Patch, away. "Tweety was so fascinated by the thread she ate it and had to be rushed to the veterinarian."

"I don't let them near my thread," said Coe.

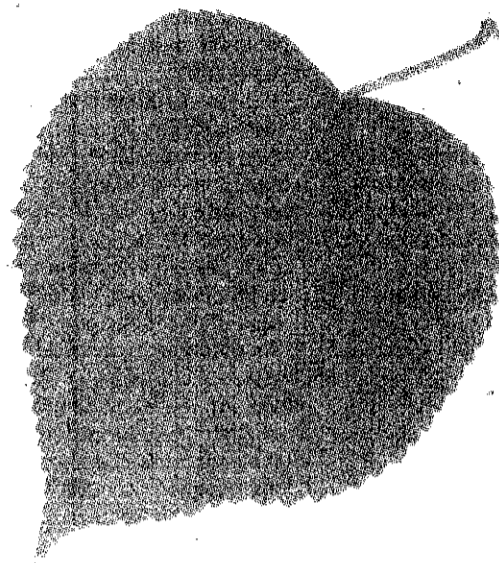
For lace making classes or membership information, call Kathleen Campbell at (734) 483-5693.

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**Berkley High School Class of 1958**

Planning a 50th Reunion, Sept 19-21, 2008. All members of January 1958, June 1958 and January 1959 are invited. At Somerset Inn, 2601 West Big Beaver Road, Troy. Events include: a Friday evening hospitality party, Saturday afternoon tour of BHS and lunch, dinner Party at the hotel on Saturday evening and brunch at hotel Sunday morning followed by a golf outing. Contact: csingerbhs58reunion.org for access to the website: www.bhs58reunion.org or call Jackie Yorgen Castine, (248) 332-5984.

**Clarenceville High School Class of 1988**

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

**Crestwood High School Class of 1968**

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

**Dearborn High School Class of 1963**

A 45-year reunion planned Aug. 1, 2008. Father Patrick O'Kelley Hall, Dearborn. Contact Betsy Cushman at (313) 565-5972 or ecushman@comcast.net.

**Dearborn Edsel Ford Classes of 1958**

The 1958 January and June Classes of Dearborn and Edsel Ford High Schools are having a combined 50-Year Reunion on Saturday Aug. 2, 2008 at the Dearborn Country Club.

Judy Richards Goerke at (313) 562-9031, Judygoerke@yahoo.com or Shirley Chiado Peters at (248) 348-9443, Shirley.peters@villageford.net may be contacted for further information.

**Dearborn Edsel Ford Class of 1968**

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

**Dearborn Fordson Class of 1969**

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

**Class of 1958**

A 50-year reunion on Aug. 2, 2008 at

Park Place. Reservations only. For information, please contact Marsha (Duza) Movesian, (313) 277-5624, or Joyce (Anderson) Mechalko, (313) 278-4488.

**Detroit Cass Tech Class of 1958**

A 50-year reunion, Oct. 11, 2008. For details, call Isabelle at (313) 882-4626 and at casstech58.com.

**Detroit Chadsey High School Class of 1958**

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

**Detroit Christ the King Elementary Class of 1963**

A 45-year reunion is being planned for 2008. Searching for classmates. The reunion date has not been set. Contact Dennis Place at (734) 354-0223 or email denplace@bigfoot.com.

**Detroit Holy Redeemer High School Class of 1958**

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

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

Planning reunion for Sept. 13. Call J. Wilkinson, (313) 861-0834, or B. King, (248) 547-1693.

**Detroit Western High School Class of 1978**

A 30-year reunion is planned for Saturday, Nov. 29, 2008. For more info, contact Donna Willingham at (313) 605-0377 or e-mail western1978@att.net.

**Garden City High School Class of 1960**

Mini-Reunion Luncheons held the second Saturday of every month at 1 p.m. in the banquet room in the Plymouth Denny's on Ann Arbor Road, east of I-275. Anyone interested in more information can call Gary Simon at (734) 751-4101 or send e-mail to GCHS.MCMLX@yahoo.com.

**Class of 1989**

Need classmates to register online with names, addresses and e-mail addresses to Paula at gch-1989reunion@hotmail.com and check out Web site at www.myspace.com/gchs20threunion. The reunion date has not been set yet.

**Grosse Pointe North Class of 1991**

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taylorreunions.com.

**Jefferson Avenue Cooperative Nursery School 60th Anniversary**

The Jefferson Avenue Cooperative Nursery School (JACNS) in Detroit is celebrating its 60th anniversary this year. A celebration and silent auction are being planned Saturday, May 24. If you were associated with Jefferson Avenue Cooperative Nursery School at any time in the past, as either a student or parent, the school is seeking your memories. For information, email gandjackl@yahoo.com, or call the Shields family at (313) 822-3211.

**Lincoln Park High School**

Looking for members of Lincoln Park High School class of 1958 for 50 year reunion. Contact: Nancy, (313) 535-8777 or nc6897@sbcglobal.net.

**Lincoln Park High School Class of 1978**

A 30-year reunion June 28, at Ramada Inn of Taylor. Contact: Tracy Zimmerman at (714) 837-2191

**Livonia Franklin Class of 1969**

A reunion is in the pre-planning stages. For more information, contact Kathy Nisun at (248) 363-5679 or e-mail: Kayniniilu@aol.com.

**Livonia Stevenson Class of 1978**

A 30 year reunion, Aug. 16, 2008, at Marriott, 17100 N. Laurel Park Drive, Livonia. Includes DJ, cash bar, and strolling buffet. There will be information coming soon. For information, contact the Reunion Committee, Tim Oehmke at (734)637-1002 or superchargertest@aol.com

**Milford High School Class of 1978**

Planning a 30th reunion. Class members should contact the reunion committee as soon as possible. E-mail address is: milford78@gmail.com.

**Plymouth High School Class of 1968**

Searching for classmates for a 40th reunion on July 19, 2008. Only about 63 percent of the class have been located. Contact Sue (Keith) Johnson at (734) 451-1048 or contact phs40threunion@charter.net.

**Plymouth-Canton high schools Classes of 1988**

Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem classes of 1988 20-year reunion will be held on Saturday, Aug. 2, at Laurel Manor in Livonia. Contact cepclassof1988@yahoo.com for more information.



The Renaissance Chorus presents a barbershop concert, Show Tunes & More, Saturday, May 10, in Livonia.

Concert to feature barbershop harmony

The Renaissance Chorus, a group of men devoted to barbershop harmony, are planning their annual show titled Show Tunes & More 7 p.m. Saturday, May 10, in the Activity Center at Sacred Heart Byzantine Church in Livonia.

The concert features songs from movies, plays and all kinds of entertainment venues,

from sacred music to love songs to toe-tapping uptunes. A guest quartet of entertaining, if offbeat gentlemen, known as Chordiology will be highlighting the show, and a good time is promised for all.

Adult tickets are \$16, seniors and students \$14.

An Afterglow Party with pizza and salad and more

entertainment will immediately follow the show. Tickets for the Afterglow can be purchased in advance (recommended) for \$6 or bought at the show on a limited basis for \$8.

To purchase tickets, call Bob at (734) 453-0574 or Frank (248) 477-2782, or visit WeSingBarbershop.com.

ENGAGEMENTS

**Gilbert-Oldham**

Dr. James and Barbara Gilbert of Kalamazoo announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Ellen Gilbert, to Michael James Oldham, son of Daniel and Teresa Oldham of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Mgrs. Hackett Catholic Center in Kalamazoo and Michigan State University. She is currently retail manager and buyer at the Radisson Plaza Hotel and Suites in Kalamazoo.

The future groom is a graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and Michigan State University. He is a research



and development engineer at the Viking Corp. in Hastings. A May 24, 2008, wedding is planned for Kalamazoo.



**Piper-Rafalski**

Dawn Piper and Jason Rafalski are engaged to be married.

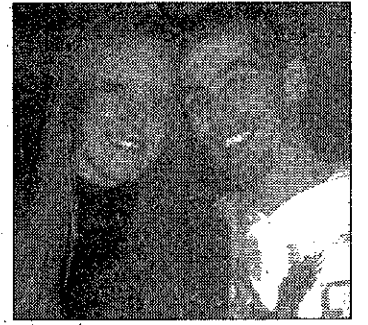
The bride-to-be is the daughter of Paul and Mary Piper of Rafalski of Garden City.

Dawn is a graduate of Center Line High School and is a senior at the University of Michigan. She is currently employed at Entertainment Productions. Jason is a graduate of Garden City High School and the University of Michigan with a degree in human resource management. He is currently employed with Circuit City. A May wedding is planned in Canton.

**Baumann-Bowman**

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Cuiop of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Alexandra Adrienne Baumann, to Jonathan Aaron Bowman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Bowman of Livonia and Ms. Leslie Bowman of Hibbing, Minn.

The bride-to-be attended Western Michigan University and currently is attending Schoolcraft Community College. She works at Jackson Early Childhood Center in childcare. She is pursuing a teaching career. The future groom recently



joined the U.S. Army and is currently attending boot camp at Fort Jackson in Columbia, S.C., and will later train as a medic at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, Texas. A May wedding is planned in Columbia, S.C.

BIRTH

**John Bohdan Wilson**

Natalie and Daniel Wilson of Livonia announce the birth of their son, John Bohdan Wilson, on June 14, 2007, at Oakwood Hospital.

John has a sister, Audrey Wilson, 3. His grandparents are Wiebke and Bohdan Hnartiuk of Livonia and Dolores and Jack Wilson of Ferguson, Mo.

Great grandparents are Anna Hnartiuk of Livonia and Lucia O'Donnell of Livonia.



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Gordon Michaels brings his Television & Film Actors Workshop to Genitti's Little Theater in Northville 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 3, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, May 4. The cost is \$150.

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Michaels will focus on everything you need to know to start and build an acting career including television and film audition technique.

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rhyme not to exceed 1-minute in length, prepare a monologue, and bring head shots and resumes.

Michaels is a graduate of the Neighborhood Playhouse School of Theatre in New York City where he studied with acting legend Sanford Meisner.

Along with writing and starring in Unbeatable Harold, due for release this fall, Michaels appeared in Air Force One, The Cooler and Joe Dirt.

He is presently developing his next feature film project which will be shot entirely in Michigan starting in October.

Boutique to host financial fitness day

Women's Health Boutique hosts a workshop focusing on tax strategies, cash flow, budgeting techniques, and making proper financial decisions and more Saturday, May 3, at the boutique, 31209 Plymouth Road, Livonia. The boutique is partnering with Hantz Financial Services to present an attorney, tax specialist and financial planner, all women.

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**SARAH BEGIAN**

June 30, 1924-April 24, 2008. She is survived by her devoted, loving husband James and her grown children, Yvonne (Ralph) Begian-Miller, Patti (Bob) Schlagheck, Yvette (Al) Kline, Charles (Caprice) Begian, Kathy Davis and the late James Nicolas Begian. Also surviving are her cherished grandchildren, Robert (April) Schlagheck Jr., Sarah and Kimberly Kline; brothers John and Jack Hovsepian; sister Barbara Hovsepian and brother-in-law Harry (Emily) Begian. Sarah embraced life and her family to the fullest. She had an adventurous spirit and learned to fly in the 1940's. She enjoyed quilting, sewing, painting, gardening, cooking, piano, hosting family gatherings and volunteering at the Plymouth Library. Located behind the Plymouth Library is "Sarah's Garden" dedicated by her family to the Plymouth Library Volunteers as a tribute to her mother. Services were held on Saturday, April 26, 2008 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 South Main Street, Plymouth. In lieu of flowers, memorial funds may be sent to the Jim Begian Memorial Fund at Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp, 300 East Crystal Lake Road, Twin Lakes, MI 49457 or St. Sarkis Armenian Orthodox Church, 19300 Ford Road, Dearborn, MI 48128.



**MADELINE M. BRODIE**

Age 86, of Plymouth, passed away April 22, 2008. A resident of Plymouth since 1937. Soon after moving to Plymouth, she would become a devoted member of the Church of the Nazarene in Plymouth. Madeline retired from Burrough's Corp. in Plymouth after 37 years of service. She loved to work around her home, especially in her garden. Even this past winter, she would shovel by hand her own driveway. She was an inspiration to all who knew and loved her. Loving mother of Gayle (life partner Irene Saavedra) Brodie. Beloved aunt of Harold and William Plant, Donald, Paul, and Steve Ackman, and Phyllis Parker. Funeral from the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 South Main, Plymouth, Monday 11:00am. Visitation Saturday 3-7pm and Sunday 1-7pm. Memorials may be made to Angela Hospice. Share memories at: schrader-howell.com

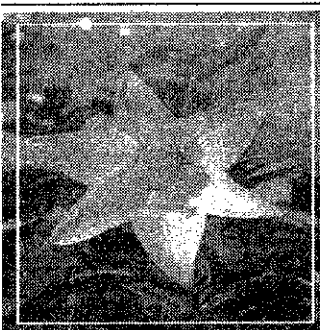


**PAMELA RUTH GREEN (nee King)**

Age 55, April 21, 2008. Beloved wife of Gary. Dear mother of Jeff Boyd Green. Loving daughter of Luther and Ruth King and daughter-in-law of Jeff and Ruth Green. Beloved sister of Marvin D. (Sandra) King, Melody (Terry) Mest, and Scott (Jeannie) King. Family will have a memorial visitation Monday 10:30am until the time of service at 12:00 noon at Church of Christ West, 291 Spring, Plymouth. Please share a memory with the family at: www.harrywillfuneralhome.com

**ALMA BROOKS**

April 23, 2008. Age 84, of Westland. Beloved wife of Robert. Dear mother of Suzanne Slesinski (Mike) and Douglas (Margaret) Brooks. Preceded in death by brothers Pete and Wally and sisters Ann, Julia and Helen. Grandmother of Becky, Matthew, Marianne and Irina. Great-grandmother of Cory and Caitlyn. Visiting Thursday 5-9pm and Friday 2-9pm at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, 34567 Michigan Ave., Wayne, with a Rosary Friday at 4:00pm. Funeral Service Saturday, instate 10:30am for 11:00am Mass at St. Mary Catholic Church, 34530 Michigan Ave., Wayne.



**SUSAN LYN MOORE**

Age 68, of Weeki Wachee, Florida, died Sunday, April 20, 2008. Survivors include husband Gordon Moore, son Thomas Trulland, three daughters, Dr. Tammy Trulland, Traci Fusco, Tiffanie Barkman, two sisters, Carol Dunn, Sharon Karenback and seven grandchildren. Memorial services are Tuesday, April 29 at 11 AM at St. Johns Episcopal Church on Wayne Rd. in Westland, Michigan.

**WILLIAM E. FARRANT**

Horton, MI, passed April 17, 2008. Entrusted to L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, Westland, MI, 734-522-9400

**DWIGHT L. JACKSON**

Age 60, Livonia, MI, passed away April 22, 2008. Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, MI

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**GREEN**

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to people in need (solesunited.com) or stop by the booth on Ann Arbor Trail where members of Handmade Detroit will be helping people sew new items like tote bags from used clothing.

Whole Foods has invited many of its vendors to the Market Village under The Gathering on Penniman. Throughout the streets, organic pet products, including catnip, will be available. Plymouth Coffee Bean is introducing five kinds of organic fair trade coffee. Stop by the Green Box City in Kellogg Park to view the future as seen through the eyes of East Middle School students with the help of Lawrence Technological University.

"I went to my first green event in Chicago last May," said Quinn. "I now

distill my own water. Just last week there were reports of drugs in our water. I don't want to keep buying plastic bottles. I like giving my grandkids fresh water."

These days Quinn is serving that distilled water in glasses recycled from bottles as she organizes the first Green Street Fair presented by Whole Foods Market. Rork is just as concerned about the products consumed and used by her children Dylan, 5, and Lily, 2, who had to be tested for lead poisoning last winter after chewing paint off a recalled toy.

"It's learning what's in your kid's baby food, their milk, what chemicals are in their clothes. My kids drink organic milk now," said Rork, 30, of Canton. "I think a lot of people want to do this but don't know where to start. We're going to build a mural

that people can walk up and pick up a marker and write on a canvas what you plan to do differently — I'm going to recycle more, buy a hybrid, buy light bulbs (energy-saving CFL compact fluorescent). My son will not let us throw stuff away. He wants us to recycle everything. Now he wants his dad to help him build sculptures from recycled stuff."

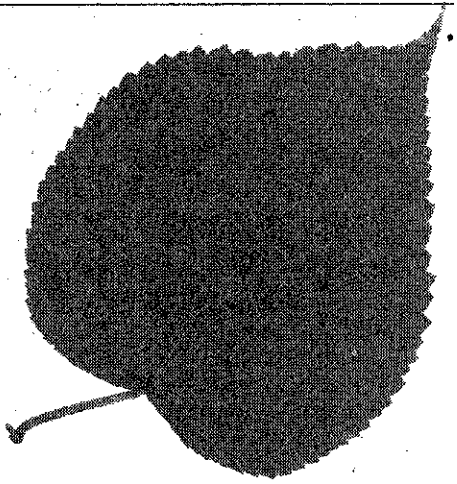
**BECOMING AWARE**

Mandi Buckland is busy decoupageing signs for the street fair out of recycled *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*. She's especially become conscious of the environment since the birth of her first child, Tuula, nearly a year ago.

"We're going to appeal to everybody from children to older people as well to learn about going green, not to

stand up on a soapbox and preach, but what are the small steps that you can take right now that can have an impact for children and grandchildren," said Buckland of Plymouth. "Since my baby was born you start to think about how the earth is going to affect them. One of the biggest things is you don't have to buy brand new things. I find myself going to more antique stores, buying used items that can have new purpose. I've taken up sewing. I've been making pillows out of old concert T-shirts that are hard to part with.

"I've been buying all organic food for her, making my own baby food. I'm learning something new everyday. We want this to be a family-friendly event, if they can walk away with just one piece of information to make a softer

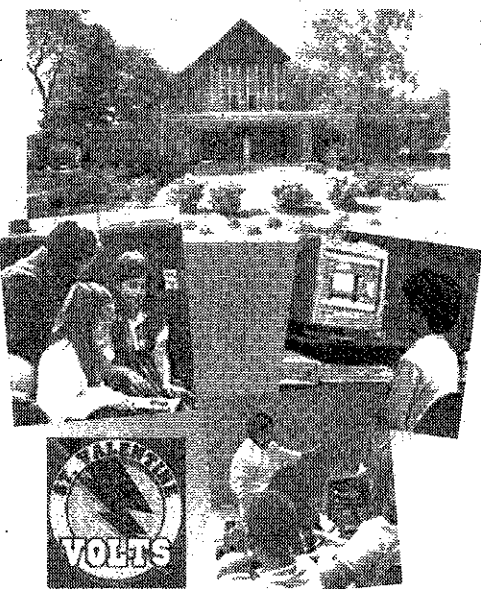


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# Man offers light-hearted glimpse of his life in book

BY SHARON DARGAY  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Morris Last's grandchildren know their 77-year-old "Papa" filled jelly doughnuts to help pay the family rent when he was 8.

His daughter, Laura Solomon, can tell you all about his guitar-playing days in the Army, when her father learned a few chords in exchange for singing gospel songs. And his wife, Helene, is aware of the most miniscule details, from the first time her husband cheated — at Pin the Tail on the Donkey — to the names of his grade school pals.

They'll never forget even a snippet of his experiences, because Last, of Bloomfield Hills, poured out his memories onto the printed page last year. With the help of Solomon, who typed his hand-written manuscript, and friends who edited, Last authored his memoir, *The World According to Moriyak, Facts, Fiction & Outright Lies*.

Last takes a humorous approach to growing up in Detroit as a Jewish immigrant from Poland, and explores personal history, Jewish traditions and community, as well as universal themes of life.

The paperback, with a photo of Last at age 4 on its cover, is available from Amazon.com and iUniverse.com. It retails for \$14.95.

"The impetus to write this book was to get it all down before you either forget

it or take the dirt nap," said Solomon of West Bloomfield, mother of nine children and an avid scrap booker.

"With the scrap booking I do, I get down a memory visually. With the book, you're getting it down literally. But it's two ends of the same thing. A lot of the (scrap-book) pages I make are lessons for the kids. But he talks in the end of the book about messages to the grandkids. I think they're good life lessons.

"Everyone we talk to says, 'I wish my dad would have done that.'"

#### RICH WITH EXPERIENCES

Last is not a writer by trade. He taught physical education, music and art for 41 years in Detroit Public Schools — where he won teacher of the year honors in 1986 — and also gave guitar lessons, both at an after-school club and at the Jewish Community Center.

He did a stint in the Army, travelled extensively as a civilian through Europe, Africa and Asia, and took an extended overseas sabbatical to study physical education abroad. During the height of the folk music's popularity, he'd invited dozens of musicians to jam sessions in his apartment near Wayne State.

He co-authored a guitar instruction book with Joe Fava, an accomplished guitarist, and owned an art gallery for seven years, Art Forms, in the Livernois-Seven Mile area of Detroit. His association with

Fresh Air Camp in Brighton lasted for years, while he rose through the ranks from waiter to assistant director.

After his first wife and Solomon's mother, Marcia, died, Last married Helene, who had been a student in his guitar class years before. For five months each year, for the past 18 years, the couple has lived in Zihuatenejo, Mexico, about 150 miles north of Acapulco. The experiences — and all the people he's met along the way — served as interesting fodder for the book.

#### IN MEXICO

"When we come into town, a cab driver will drive by and he'll see us. He'll get on his phone and say, 'Morrie and Helene are back!' The cab drivers will tell each other we're back and they look out for us," Last explained.

Helene teases that her husband could "talk to anyone, even dirt."

"He makes friends wherever he goes. I always told him the perfect job would be a greeter for Wal-Mart, but no one would get any shopping done," she said. "He's got stories."

Last offers a simple explanation: "I really love Mexico. But most of all, I love people. And in Mexico I've had the opportunity to meet hundreds and hundreds of people."

He's already working on ideas for his second book, which likely will focus on



LAWRENCE MCKEE | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Author Morris Last of Bloomfield Hills shows the cover of his book about growing up Jewish in metro Detroit.

the couple's adventures abroad.

Last encourages other senior citizens to pen their memoirs as a legacy for their children and grandchildren, as well as a memory tool for themselves.

"What's good about the book is you get it all down while you remember every miniscule detail," he said. "The woman across the street came over and said, 'I've been wanting to write.' I said, 'don't just

talk about it. Do it. I'll help you on anything you want help with, but just do it."

He tells other first-time writers not to stress over recalling a lifetime of memories or worry about penning the perfect book.

"It's there. If you can't remember it, wait 10 minutes," he said. "No one is ever going to write the best book there ever was. You write it and do the best you can."

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**WORKWISE**  
by  
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When working with a person who's distracted, you might find that keeping yourself on track isn't enough. Instead, you might have to reel that person in to avoid missed deadlines or failed projects.

can result in "deadlines not being met and work products not being what they should be." Indeed, speaker Ron Finklestein, president of RPF Group Inc., in Akron, Ohio, maintains that the potential outcome could be serious, causing some "companies (to) fail because employees are doing too many things and are focused on the wrong things."

**ALTERNATIVES**  
You might be able to minimize problems by taking a preventative approach. Onderick-Harvey says that you can forestall a lack of focus. "Sit down with the co-worker," she advises, "and talk through what the project plan looks like and the feasibility of time frames. Ask the person to help you understand other things on his plate, potential roadblocks."

If it's too late for prevention, you still have some methods to consider. Finklestein advocates approaching the situation by understanding behavioral style. For example, a supplier he knows is very social -- outgoing, talking a lot about himself, "telling more than he asks. He's likely to encounter problems as a project unfolds, because his primary concern is making certain that his relationship with the customer is sound. Finklestein points out that this type of person is fast-paced and loses sight of details. This extremely short attention span nurtures distraction and lack of focus.

"Reinforce what needs to be done by writing it on a piece of paper," he suggests, "but if it's just part of a discussion, send an e-mail." Finklestein cautions against boxing this type of person in, because he'll agree with what you're saying and promptly "store" it until, when truly pressured, he'll be overwhelmed. Also, he believes that understanding engineers, accountants and architects as "thinkers" -- so analytical that they may seem unfocused, at least in terms of your project -- can be helpful, because they might simply need details to make the correct decision their behavioral style demands.

Your sensitivity to the situation might well enable you to find a way out by dis-burdening your co-worker. (This is different from un-burdening.) Onderick-Harvey mentions that letting the individual know that you're aware of the multiple demands distracting him can be helpful. "Distractions take on a life of their own if we believe we are the only ones who know about them or care about them," she says. "Knowing that other people recognize what else is going on in our life inside or outside of work helps build trust and will increase the likelihood that the person will go the extra mile for your project rather than another's. It also allows you to work together to develop a strategy to mitigate the distractions." She further recommends, "Find out what they want to get out of the project -- increased



Credit: Nick Ciorogian

Photo: Edith Onderick-Harvey develops biotech teams which can stay together for years. She offers a simple method to implement to assure continuity when you find a co-worker lagging, putting your own work at risk. Change Dynamics Consulting, her company, is in Andover, Mass.

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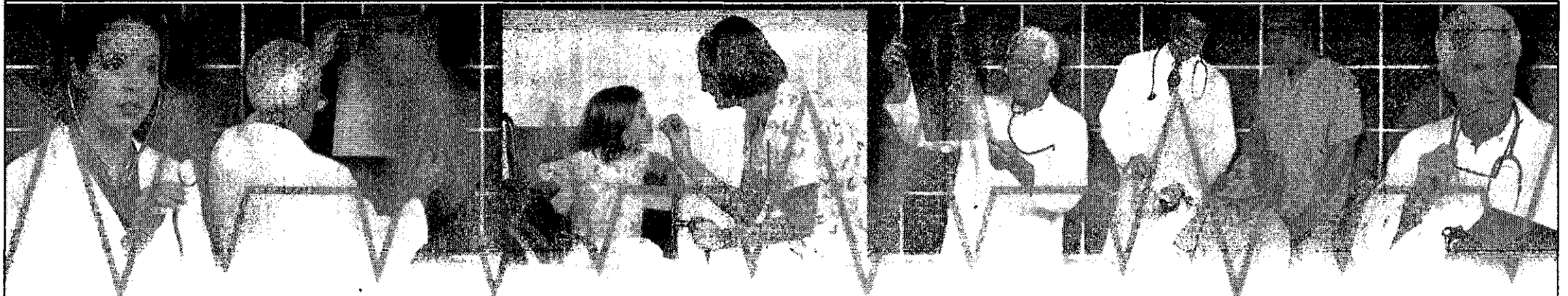
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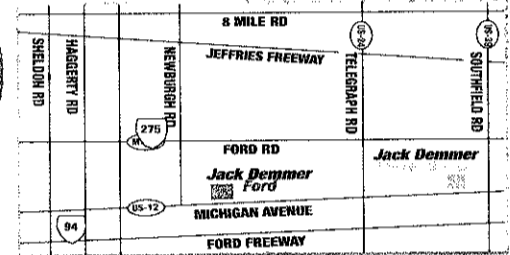
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# New Homes



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## Comfortable Hare's design may have you jumping for joy

The Hare (406-12) was designed with a certain flair for elegance on the exterior and comfort with usable space on the inside. The porch area has high pillars that form the raised roofline and give the entrance the look of a colonial Southern home.

The garage area extends to the front with a side entrance for access to the backyard.

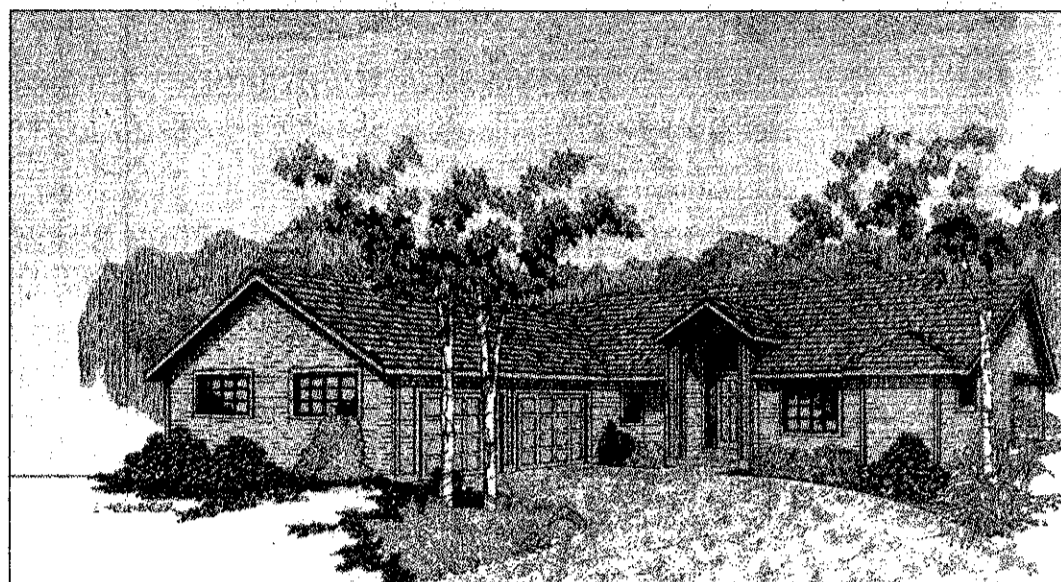
The interior of the Hare is 1,620 square feet, ideal for a family with children or the couple whose children have left the home. There is an entry area with a bench for taking

off wet coats or muddy boots. Once inside the home, the area is open and visitors look directly into the Great Room. This is expansive for the family to enjoy. It combines the family room, dining room, and the living room into one large area. There is a fireplace in the corner, and French doors that open onto a covered deck area in the rear.

The kitchen, large and spacious, would accommodate more than one cook at a time and still allow easy preparation of the meal. It is one of those rooms that have numerous cabinets, large counter space, and an eating bar for informal eating. The pantry is angular, allowing more than ample storage area and ease of entry.

Directly off the kitchen is the utility room. It has cabinets and a folding counter. For convenience, the linen closet has been placed on the opposite wall, excellently located for putting away clean linen and getting out linen for the bedrooms.

The two bedrooms are located on the opposite side of the home from the master



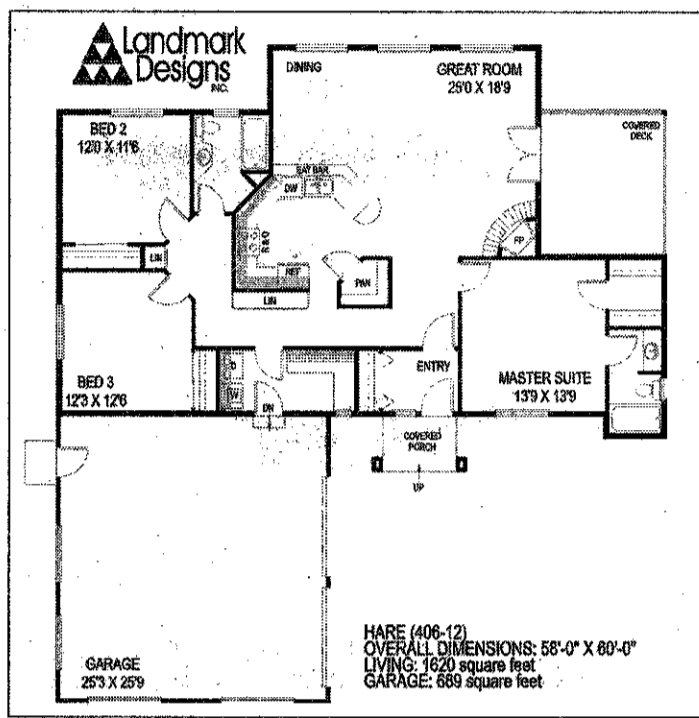
suite. They both are bright and spacious with large wall closets and each has access to full bath. There is also a small linen closet in between the two rooms for towel and sheet storage.

The master suite, located to the right of the entry, has a walk-in closet and a full bath. The window, which looks out the front of the home, supplies

the room with plenty of light. The Hare is a great beginning or ending home. It has many amenities that lend themselves to new families or empty nesters.

For a study plan of the HARE (406-12), send \$15, to Landmark Designs, 33127 Saginaw Rd. E., Cottage Grove, OR 97424 or call (800) 562-1151. Be sure to specify

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The Great Lakes Regional International Association of Home Staging Professionals Chapter will have their second annual "Parade of ASP Staged Homes" 1-4 p.m. Sunday, May 4.

"The featured homes have all been staged by IAHSPP Chapter members and professionally prepared for sale," said GLRIC President Rob Leece. All members are Accredited Staging Professionals (ASPs).

The event is a fund-raiser for the 2008 World-Wide Staging Service Week charity project, sponsored by The International Association of Home Staging Professionals

(IAHSPP). Proceeds will benefit the Ronald McDonald House of Detroit.

The "Parade of ASP Staged Homes" will bring consumer attention to the importance of using home staging to prepare homes for a quick and profitable sale. Each house in the event has been professionally prepared. The featured homes are located throughout greater Detroit and surrounding metro areas. For more information, visit the Web site: [www.ParadeOfStagedHomes.com](http://www.ParadeOfStagedHomes.com).

"We can improve the lives of others through our magic of ASP Home Staging. When we serve in this way,

the benefits to the lives of others are far reaching," said Barb Schwarz, president of IAHSPP International, and founder of the World Wide Staging

### SERVICE WEEK

Sponsors have made generous contributions in support of the Great Lake IAHSPP Chapter's Ronald McDonald House project. There is no fee to walk through these homes, but donations are welcome and can be made toward the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southeastern Michigan. Funds generated by the event will support

renovation projects at the Ronald McDonald House in Detroit, which will be completed in September by the Great Lakes IAHSPP Chapter members.

"This year will be our IAHSPP Chapter's third annual Worldwide Staging Service Week Project at the Ronald McDonald House in Detroit. Through our members, donations, and business affiliates we have completed to date over \$80,000 in renovations," said Carolyn Stieger, 2007 Great Lakes Regional IAHSPP Chapter ambassador.

Pictures can be viewed at <http://www.iahsp.com/worldwidestag->

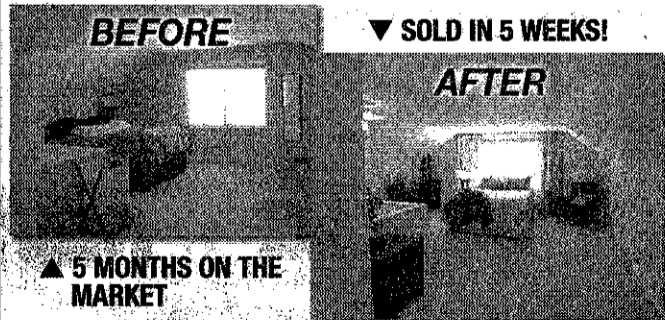
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The Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southeastern Michigan has served families of hospitalized children as a home-away-from-home since 1979. Only steps away from premier medical facilities at Children's Hospital of Michigan, families can nurture and support their children undergoing specialized medical treatment. The House offers 25 bedrooms, a large kitchen and dining area, play areas, TV rooms and a garden, all designed to make families comfortable during their stay. For more information, visit [rmhdet.org](http://rmhdet.org).

## SUNDAY FEATURED HOMES

2nd Annual  
Coming May 4th!  
**PARADE OF STAGED HOMES**

The Great Lakes Regional Chapter Members of IAHSPP® (International Association of Home Staging Professionals) and area Realtor's will be showcasing homes next weekend that are professionally Staged by local ASP's (Accredited Staging Professionals) throughout southeast Michigan, in the 2nd annual Parade of Staged Homes Open House Event. Proceeds will benefit the 3rd Annual Ronald McDonald House Makeover Project.



Home buyers will get the chance to preview quality homes and meet Realtors and ASP Stagers who are helping to sell houses quickly in our area.

Staging is a critical marketing tool. Motivated home sellers are encouraged to attend to learn how Home Staging by an ASP can dramatically increase the opportunity for a quick and profitable sale!

The public is invited to preview the homes held open Sunday, May 4, 2008 from 1pm to 4pm. Participating homes can be found in next weeks ad in the Eccentric Newspapers, or go to [www.ParadeOfStagedHomes.com](http://www.ParadeOfStagedHomes.com) for more details.

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- #5. South Lyon Schools are the best in the area.
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*Bridal Row Homes: Charming Legend of Quarton Lakes Estates*

Those who have lived in the row of homes along Oak Street across from Quarton School have referred to them as "Bridal Row homes". They were built at the time Quarton Schools was being constructed (1927-1928). Legend has it, the builder constructed the homes for his yet to be married daughters and other young newlywed couples so they could raise their families near the school, thus the name "bridal row".

Though eight homes were built, all with different exterior elevations including various English, French and Dutch styles, the general floor plan was the same: a kitchen, dining room, living room (with fireplace), one full bathroom and two bedrooms, all on the main floor. Many of the attics were not finished as they are today. As new families purchased through the years, many of the homes underwent renovations to accommodate larger families. Some of the upper levels boast of three bedrooms today. Some with the original rooflines have three upper bedrooms. Others have been extensively expanded and renovated to accommodate today's family needs, including 1740 Oak, which is available today.

Is the legend true? No one knows for sure but, after more than 75 years, "bridal row" still caters to those who want to enjoy the Birmingham "city" lifestyle mingled with the neighborhood amenities of Quarton Lake Estates.

1740 Oak has been thoroughly updated and expanded to include a first-floor master suite, and features two full and two half baths. Custom cabinets, granite and high-end appliances blends today's amenities with old-world charm. The new two-car garage boasts a loft that is perfect for a workout room, in-law suite, or at-home office. This versatile Tudor is unique in that it features large windows and 9.5" ceilings.

**Open Sunday, April 27, 1-4 pm**  
**1740 Oak Avenue, Birmingham \$395,000**  
All offers will be seriously considered.  
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Weir Manuel Realtors  
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Ann Arbor Hills new construction. 5717 sq. ft. on .64 acre. 5-6 bedrooms, 5.5 baths. Exquisite Arts & Crafts design, woodwork and built-ins. \$1,599,000. Between Wash-tanaw & Geddes (E of Vinewood, W of Huron Pkwy). Susan De Young 734-709-5246, 734-685-0300 Reinhardt Commercial

BEVERLY HILLS VILLAGE  
OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
30275 Vernon Dr.

Enter Vernon S. off 13 Mile Beverly Hills ranch convenient to CDCS, Marian & Brother Rice. 3 bdrm, & 2 full baths. Beautiful hardwood floors throughout. Natural fireplace in living room. Nicely tree 3.4 acre. 3 bdrm, 2 bath. \$255,000 27225302 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l 248-644-7000

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BEVERLY HILLS VILLAGE  
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1st street S. of 14 Mile, W. off Latser

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On side of Lincoln between Adams & Eton

Wonderfully updated 3 bdrm ranch in Birmingham's tall district. New roof, siding, windows (Andersen), 2-car garage. Professionally finished bsmt w/large family room, gas fireplace, full bath, plus office/4th bdrm. Beautifully remodeled kitchen. Refined hardwood floors, freshly painted throughout. 3 bdrm, 2 bath. \$179,900 28015250 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l 248-644-7000

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BIRMINGHAM  
OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
1790 Graefield Rd.

W. of Eton onto Graefield

Drastic price reduction. Originally priced at \$130,000, then at \$125,000, then \$116,000. Now, it's desperation time! New berber carpet, hardwood floors. Partially finished bsmt. Subject to bank approval. 2 bdrm, 1 bath. \$89,900 28043130 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l 248-644-7000

BIRMINGHAM  
OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
1791 Graefield Rd.

W. of Eton onto Graefield

The price is not a type! End unit. Original price was \$134,000. New berber carpet & hardwood floors. Neutral colors. All appliances including washer & dryer stay. Subject to short sale bank. 2 bdrm, 1 bath. \$89,900 28043164 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l 248-644-7000

BIRMINGHAM  
OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
1951 Webster St.

E. off Adams between Maple & Lincoln

Premium JYC home shows better than new. Open floor plan, upgraded kitchen w/granite & stainless steel appliances. Brazilian cherry hardwood floors, crown moldings, finished, open flowing daylight bsmt w/full bath. Premium tile in bathrooms. 2nd floor laundry. Garage loft. Birmingham schools. Also for least: \$3,100/mo. 3 bdrm, 3.1 bath. \$499,900 27198967 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l 248-644-7000

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BIRMINGHAM  
OPEN SUNDAY 12-5  
111 Coolidge Rd.

Corner of Coolidge & Maple, W. off Coolidge, N. of Maple

This beautiful end unit town-home condo in Birmingham is looking for a new owner. It offers a fantastic location close to shopping, walking distance to downtown & private carport directly in front of your door. Once inside you will see fresh paint, oak kitchen cabinets, newer carpet, 2nd floor laundry, 2 nice sized bdrm & partially finished bsmt. They have just completed a concrete & brick courtyard. 2 bdrm, 1.1 bath. \$139,000 28013426 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l 248-644-7000

BIRMINGHAM  
OPEN SUNDAY 12-5  
268 Abbey

E. off Woodward onto Whitelton, left on Abbey

Great Cape Cod in Birmingham's Poppleton Park area. 1st floor bdrm & bath, plus 2 very large bedrooms & full bath upstairs. Formal living room & dining room, library, 6 panel doors, screened porch. Detached 2 car garage, full bsmt. Beautiful tree-lined street in a great family neighborhood. 3 bdrm, 2 bath. \$249,000 27216918 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l 248-644-7000

BLOOMFIELD HILLS  
OPEN SUNDAY 12-5  
237 Tibury

Tibury N. off Maple, E. of Cranbrook

What a price for Bloomfield/Vilapel! 4 bdrm, 2.5 baths, with a kitchen to die for! Cherry cabinets, granite, stainless steel appliances. Hardwood floors throughout. Formal living room w/fireplace. Deep yard offers room for expansion, newer roof, brick paver walkways. Invisible fence. 4 bdrm, 2.1 bath. \$432,000 27183580 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l 248-644-7000

BLOOMFIELD TWP  
OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
1877 Chipping Way Ct.

S. off Long Lake on Webeek Lake, R. on Wingate, R. on Chipping Way

Check out this charmer! Professionally decorated & absolutely ready to move in now. Mrs. Clean has this unit spotless from top to bottom. 5 bdrm, 3 1/2 baths, 2 fireplaces, new kitchen 5 bdrm, 3.1 bath. \$359,900 28038091 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l 248-644-7000

BLOOMFIELD TWP  
OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
4852 Harsdale Rd.

N. off Lone Pine on Harsdale, L. on N. Harsdale

Country living in the city! Private, rolling, wooded 1.6 acres in the prestigious Chemsleigh neighborhood. Over 5,400 sq. ft. of total living space w/lower level walkout. 5 large bdrm, 5 full & 2 1/2 baths, large gourmet kitchen, walnut paneled den, beautiful hardwood floors, second kitchen in lower level which opens to 2 yr old custom inground pool & spa. 3 car garage. Bloomfield Hills schools. Motivated!! 5 bdrm, 3.2 bath. \$899,000 27200518 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l 248-644-7000

LAKEFRONT RANCH BEAUTY  
11536 Monterey - off S. I-94  
Service Dr. W. of Haggerty

Open 12-3:00pm

All sports Bellevue LK, 200 ft frontage, built 1986, walkout lower level, 3 car garage. Open floor plan - Gorgeous!! DENISE MCGUIGAN 734-564-4310

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BLOOMFIELD TWP  
OPEN SUNDAY 12-5  
5253 Fairmount Hill Ct.

S. off Lone Pine Rd. to Van Ness to left on Fairmount Hill Ct.

Sure to please w/many updates inside & out from the curved oak staircase, baths, electrical & kitchen to the brick pavers & walkways & landscaping. This lovely 4 bdrm, 3 bath family home is located on a cul-de-sac & sits amid walking trails & bike paths. Knob Hill sub has many family oriented activities all year round. Take a walk to the Franklin Cider Mill! Exclusions garage cabinets. 4 bdrm, 3 bath. \$400,000 28041662 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l 248-644-7000

FARMINGTON HILLS  
OPEN SUN 1-4  
23027 Potomac Cr.

2 bdrm, ranch, 2 1/2 bath, w/finished lower level, 2 car garage, deck \$189,750. (734) 253-2419

GREEN OAK TWP  
OPEN SUN 1-4PM  
11129 Sandy Creek

N 9 Mile, E Marshall

Newer Built Cape Cod with Master Suite, 1st floor laundry, finished walk-out bsmt, only \$388,000. Call Anna: (734) 516-8653 Vision Group Realty

HARRISON TWP  
OPEN SUNDAY 12-5  
37876 Jefferson Ave.

S. of 16 Mile (Metro Parkway) E. off Jefferson

Boater's Beware. Beautiful condo w/whirlpool. Here sits like new waterfront ranch condo on Lake St. Clair. You can even purchase a dock to park your boat in front of condo. 2 bdrm, 2 bath, eat-in kitchen, dining room, great room. Built in 2003. Hardly used. 1 car garage & carport. Spacious wood deck overlooking Lake St. Clair. Also common swimming pool. Great community. A must see! 2 bdrm, 2 bath. \$199,900 28034173 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l 248-644-7000

HUNTINGTON WOODS  
OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
10425 LaSalle Blvd.

S. off 11 Mile onto Meadowcrest, R. on LaSalle Blvd.

Hunting Woods oldest home! Spacious living room w/fireplace which flows into the dining room & kitchen. New windows, siding, electrical & CA. 2 furnaces for zoned heating, updated baths, updated kitchen. 4 bdrm, 2 bath. \$299,900 28016006 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l 248-644-7000

RENERICA HOMETOWN III  
6231 N. Canton Center Rd.

LVONIA-OPEN SUN 1-4PM  
30750 Mason Ct. S Lyndon, E/Merriman. Huge yard, Brick Cape Cod, 4 bdrm, 2.5 bath fin bsmt. 2 yr old Florida room. Charlotte Jacuski 734-377-3282 Century 21 Row 734-464-7111

PLYMOUTH TWP  
Open Sun 1-4  
44471 Brookside Rd

4 bdrm, 2 bath colonial, 2300 sq. ft., partly finished bsmt, 2 car attached garage. \$324,900. Marge Tack 734-718-4003 Keller Williams Realty

ROMULUS-OPEN SUN 1-4  
5381 Essex, S/Van VanBom, E/Wayne

Price reduced! New const brick ranch. 4 bdrms, 2.5 baths. Lots of upgrades. Donna Jardine 734-444-5426 Century 21 Row 734-464-7111

Homes 3000

PLYMOUTH TWP  
Open Sun 1-4  
44471 Brookside Rd

4 bdrm, 2 bath colonial, 2300 sq. ft., partly finished bsmt, 2 car attached garage. \$324,900. Marge Tack 734-718-4003 Keller Williams Realty

Open Sunday 1-4pm  
1950 SCENIC HARBOR  
S. OF 8 Mile, W. of Meadowbrook

NORTHVILLE COLONIAL  
Fabulous 4 bd home w/great floor plan, Fam Rm w/frpl & door to Deck w/hot tub, private fenced yard, granite kit, fin bsmt, large Master w/b & her WIC's, 6 so much more. \$305,000 (P-59582)  
Call Mary Wolfe 734-357-0328 Coldwell Banker Preferred, Realtors (734) 459-6000

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Livonia 32981 Brookside Cir. N. of Seven Mile, E. off Farmington Rd. New in '05, will review all offers. Finished lower level w/workshop, bar & half bath. 2x's the living space of comparable properties. Finished 2-car garage w/epoxy floor, plus xtras. Quite community, easy to shop, dine & commute. End unit, lots of natural light. Possible seller financing, offering interest rate reduction.  
Call Darlene 248-760-7911 175 Cady Centre • Northville

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REDFORD  
OPEN  
SUN 1-5

24423 Orangelawn. 3 bdrm, 2 bath Ranch. Designer kitchen, hardwood floors, 1.5 car garage. Jerome 248-931-3690 Keller Williams 30500 Northwestern Hwy.

REDFORD TWP  
Open Sun 1-4  
18294 Lexington, 3 bdrm brick ranch, partly finished bsmt, 2 car detached garage, \$99,900. Marge Tack: 734-718-4003 Keller Williams Realty

ROYAL OAK  
OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
425 5th St.

Heading E. on 4th St. S. of Knowles at corner of 5th & Knowles

Featured home in American Burrows Magazine in 2005. Completely redone in '06 coupling historical detailing w/modern amenities. Professional chef's kitchen w/glass panels, wet bar & wine fridge. 3 bdrm, 2 bath. \$599,000 28063508 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l 248-644-7000

STERLING HEIGHTS  
OPEN SUNDAY 12-5  
43128 Hartwick Dr.

N. off 19 Mile, W. off Schoenherr

Drastic price reduction! 3 bdrm, 1 1/2 bath colonial in a great location. Perfect for first time buyer! New kitchen w/leaving space, living room, separate dining room & family room w/fireplace. 1st floor laundry. Freshly painted, new tear off roof, 2 car attached garage. Urea schools. Seller look at all offers. 3 bdrm, 1.1 bath. \$174,000 27043840 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l 248-644-7000

TROY  
OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
3010 Camden Dr.

Turn S. off Maple onto Doyle, L. on Midtown, L. on Devon, Park at Entrance.

Sophisticated living in better than new Troy townhouse w/Birmingham schools. Bright end unit (extra 3 bedrooms), neutral decor w/upgraded hardwood floors in kitchen & front entry. 2 large bdrm, 2 full baths (w/tubs), loft office w/window. Corian kitchen w/doorwall to deck & eating area & island. 2 car garage, 2.1 bath. \$239,900 27203004 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l 248-644-7000

TROY  
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910 Brooklawn Dr.

S. off Big Beaver on Wrenwood to Brooklawn East

Beautifully updated 4 bdrm Troy ranch w/Birmingham schools. Low taxes & great schools! New kitchen w/Corian, stainless & tile floor. Refinished hardwood floors throughout, new half & full baths. New interior paint including full bsmt. New 75 gallon hot water heater, newer windows, exterior paint, siding, trim in '07. Newer roof ('01). Loads of storage. Private backyard. 4 bdrm, 1.1 bath. \$184,900 28057392 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l 248-644-7000

TROY  
OPEN SUNDAY 12-5  
1561 Pebble Point Dr.

Off square Lake Rd., take Atkins to Emerald Lake Dr. to Pebble Point

Spectacular lakefront living in Troy! 3 bdrm brick ranch in Emerald Lakes on a cul-de-sac situated on private Pebble Lake. Wonderful views from all windows. Living room w/bay window, new bath '06, new flooring kitchen '06, all new interior doors. Freshly painted. Great lower level w/frpl for additional entertaining. 90 ft. lake frontage. Troy schools. Bring offers. 3 bdrm, 1.2 bath. \$308,500 28049010 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l 248-644-7000

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GORGEOUS BRICK COLONIAL  
4 Bdrm, 3.5 baths, first floor master, 2700 sq. ft. Finished bsmt, with additional 1400 sq. ft. Almost 3/4 acre on cul-de-sac. Granite counter tops, hardwood floors. 800 sq. ft. deck and much more. \$385,000. (248) 762-5727

BEAUTIFUL professionally landscaped fenced lot. Large kitchen, open floor plan for entertaining. Newer granite throughout. Large 1st floor laundry. Upstairs finished bonus room, huge bath & loft. All bdrm w/walk in closets \$284,900 MLS 28029747 (248) 855-2000 CENTURY 21 TODAY

FOUR BDRM COLONIAL w/newer paint, carpet & flooring throughout. Spacious master suite w/whirlpool tub. Newer roof, furnace & CA. \$350,000 MLS 28057943 (734) 462-9800 CENTURY 21 TODAY

LOVELY 4 BDRM, 2.5 bath colonial w/wide driveway leading to 2 car attached garage w/workshop. Newer kitchen cabinets & flooring, updated bath w/granite tops, family room w/fireplace, 1st floor laundry, newer roof & siding. \$249,900 MLS 28045065 (248) 855-2000 CENTURY 21 TODAY

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WEST BLOOMFIELD AREA  
Open Sun 1-4pm. Fantastic 4 bdrm, 2 bath, completely remodeled 2004. \$169,000 or \$950/mo. 734-395-5288 248-855-3143

WEST BLOOMFIELD  
OPEN SUN 1-4  
3876 Stonecrest

Immaculate 4 bdrm, 3.5 bath brick ranch. 4364 Sq. Ft. Luxurious new kitchen with granite, cherry, stainless. Finished bsmt. w/wet bar, possible inlaw ste. Pella doors to 2 tier patio. Courtyard w/pool. Marble floor entry & fireplace. \$350,000. 28052942. Ask for Sharon Spindler Real Estate One-Middlebelt 248-851-4100

WEST BLOOMFIELD TWP  
OPEN SUNDAY 1-4  
2920 Oakbrook Ct.

W. off Middlebelt, N. of Walnut Lake between Walnut & Lone Pine

Executive home. Mettulously maintained & updated w/Birmingham schools. Open floor plan w/soaring ceilings & doorways to outside patios. Beautiful white kitchen w/granite island. 3 bdrm, 2.1 bath. \$509,900 28058056 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l 248-644-7000

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COMPLETELY RENOVATED  
4 bdrm, 3 bath stone trimmed colonial w/finished lower level & charming front porch. Maple kitchen w/granite. Hardwood floors. Garage. \$279,000 (28053235) (248) 647-8888 CENTURY 21 TODAY

ST. JOHN WOODS TUDOR.  
Modern updates w/vintage charm! 3 bdrm, 2 bath, hardwood floors, covered ceilings. Living room w/custom fireplace. 2 car garage. \$269,900 (28052200) (248) 647-8888 CENTURY 21 TODAY

THREE BDRM, 2 bath village home located in Waterford school district. Wood floors throughout. High ceilings, French doors. Wrap around porch for viewing Mill Pond. \$338,000. MLS 28058000 (248) 673-2211 CENTURY 21 TODAY

COLONIAL W/MANY upgrades. Kitchen w/granite, hardwood floors in living & dining rooms. Full finished bsmt w/kitchen, bar, full bath. Master suite & bath w/jet tub, shower, granite double sink vanity. Cul-de-sac. \$437,450. MLS 28059409 (248) 360-9100 CENTURY 21 TODAY

THIS 4 BDRM, 2.1 bath is a great buy w/Novi sports district & a great neighborhood. Updated kitchen, hardwood floors in family room, stairs & hall. Large dining room, hot tub on large deck, fenced yard, finished bsmt. \$250,000. MLS 27026506 (248) 855-2000 CENTURY 21 TODAY

VERY LOVELY 4 bdrm, 2.5 bath 2 story home. Oak kitchen w/island & ceramic floor. Den/library. Bridge overlooks great room w/fireplace. Hardwood floors. \$304,900 (28056515) (248) 647-8888 CENTURY 21 TODAY

PERFECTLY MAINTAINED & updated 3 bdrm, 2 bath brick ranch. Newer roof, windows & electric. Newer furnace, CA & floors. Spacious great room, newer deck. \$239,900 MLS 28056578 (734) 462-9800 CENTURY 21 TODAY

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RENERICA HOMETOWN III 6231 N. Canton Center Rd.

Garden City 3170

TOTALLY REMODELED  
3 Bdrms, Ranch, full Bsmt, 2 Car Garage, \$114,900. Century 21 Castelli 734-525-7900

HIGHLAND 3210

HIGHLAND TWP  
Beautiful 3 bdrm, 3.5 bath lakefront home. Located in Huron Valley school district. Home features formal dining room, great room, family room, Florida room, library/study, \$399,000 MLS 28056998 (248) 673-2211 CENTURY 21 TODAY

By Owner

1100 Sq. ft. 3 Bedroom brick ranch, latest updates, roof, gutters, furnace, central a/c, windows, doors, driveway, patio. Cosmetic updates needed. 9119 Gillman. \$139,000. 734-261-7485

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Rochester 3360

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- Killer whale
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- Honorable
- Loosen, as a grip
- 15 Facial feature
- Converse
- Girls
- Enjoys the sun
- Frizzy coil
- Wyoming range
- Pet plea
- Senate response
- Agent's percentage
- Old-time slugger - Mel
- Toady's answers
- RN's group
- Stockholm carrier
- de cologne

**DOWN**

- Funny
- Charlotte
- A Vanderbilt
- Slapstick mis-sile
- Cruel person
- Perch
- Barn habitant
- Web site clutter

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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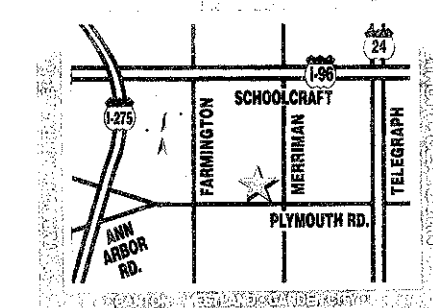
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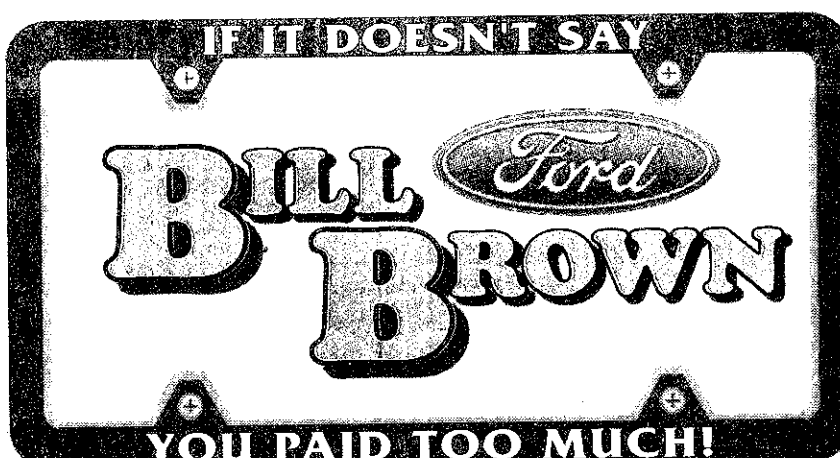
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