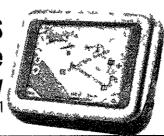
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Nursery owner who brought palm trees to Ford Road to call it quits

STAFF WRITER

The man that brought palm trees to Ford Road is retiring from the business that bears his name at the end of this season

Its kind of scary for me, Dennis Crimboli said This has been my whole life I don't want to be a stranger

Crimboli Nursery & Landscaping has been at 50145 Ford Road for 30 years Ten years before that, the business was based in Garden City

Joking that he had dreams of becoming a rock star, Crimboli, of Plymouth, says he stumbled into owning his own company

'At 30 years old, I found myself laid off (during the holidays)," he said 'We didn't have a great Christmas that year and I said I would never have myself in that position again I got a pickup truck and a \$5 lawn mower and I went into business

From those humble beginnings to a sprawling 19 acres made popular by the addition of palm trees, Crimboli says he's ready to pass the torch of running the day-today operation to his longtime staff

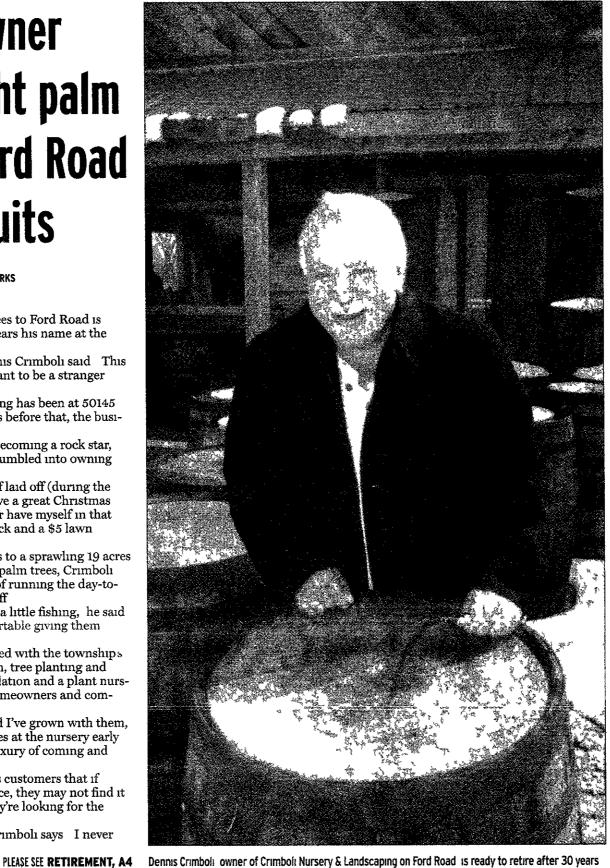
"I m going to take time and do a little fishing, he said I have a great staff so I m comfortable giving them

The business which has boomed with the townships growth, offers landscaping design, tree planting and moving, stone, brick paver installation and a plant nursery Their client base includes homeowners and commercial businesses

'I ve watched Canton grow and I've grown with them, he said, adding that he still arrives at the nursery early each morning but now has the luxury of coming and going in the afternoons

A sign outside of his office tells customers that if they're looking for the lowest price, they may not find it there, but 'welcome home" if they're looking for the

Im not the cheapest price," Crimboli says I never



Around the world in 95 days

Canton High grad part of global run that will focus attention on unsafe drinking water

BY TIFFANY L PARKS STAFF WRITER

Sri Lanka is a long way from Michigan but Shiri Leventhal will be back in her home state in August — even if it's only to run 10 miles and move on

Leventhal, a 2001 Canton High School graduate, lives in Sri Lanka and was chosen to participate in the first-ever Blue Planet Run

The non-stop, 95-day relay includes 20 people that will run in 10-mile intervals through 16 countries on four continents in an effort to highlight unsafe drinking water throughout parts of the world The run will be featured on a segment of NBC's Today Show'

The 15,200-mile relay will

begin Friday in New York City and developed a passion for the will end Sept 4 in the same spot

Leventhal, 23, is a motivated athlete and scholar She ran cross country and track at Canton under the tutelage of coach John Venning On the track, she ran the 800m, mile 3200m and was a member of the 4x800m relay She was also a member of the National Honor Society

Leventhal was a member of New York University's cross country squad for three seasons and has a B S in actuarial science from NYU and masters degree in sports management from George Washington University

Through her career in Sri Lanka for Sewa Finance, Leventhal has worked on various water sanitation projects and

Im serious about this and I love running so when you com bine the two with travel, oh my God, excited is an understatement. Leventhal said Wednesday while in between boot camp training sessions in New York

Saying that she hopes the unusual venture will make "people open their eyes about the world's clean water crisis, Leventhal said one runner will be on the ground at all times She's been assigned a 3-9 a m shift for the first few days

Some of the destinations will include Ireland, Poland, Japan, Germany and the Czech Republic

Leventhal, who is the youngest participant said her father, Leon



Leventhal

Leventhal of Canton, will meet up with her outside of his birthplace in Russia, in California and ın Mıchıgan

The relay is slated to hit sections of the state on August 24 'I'm so pumped up," Leventhal said 'I'm really hoping we are a

success in raising awareness" For more information about the run or to make a donation, log onto www blueplanetrun org

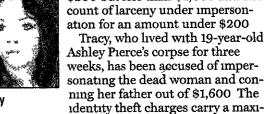
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Cops charge woman for impersonating her dead roommate

BY TIFFANY L PARKS STAFF WRITER

Christina Nicole Tracys "outrageous" behavior after the drug overdose of her roommate have garnered her a stack of criminal charges

Tracy, 28, faces five counts of identity theft, three counts of larceny under impersonation for dollar amounts more than \$200 but less than \$1,000 and one



mum of five years in prison, the three larceny counts are one year misdemeanors and the final larceny charge is a 93 day misdemeanor 'She knew Ashley Pierce was dead and she imper-

sonated Ashley Pierce in order to get money from her father," said Maria Miller, Wayne County Prosecutor's Office spokesperson "We think that's pretty outra-

The two women were roommates for about two months in the Heathmoore Apartments, off of Haggerty, south of Ford, before Pierce's overdose Tracy, who was later evicted from the ranch-style apartment, had been living in Port Huron, where she was arrested Friday

She was arraigned Saturday in Wayne County's Out-County Court and given a \$50,000 cash bond Canton Sgt Rick Pomorski said it's believed that she's still in custody because she was unable to make bail The preliminary examination is set for June 8 in 35th District Court in Plymouth

Canton police were acting on an anonymous tip on March 7 when they found Pierce's body underneath a pile of clothing in her living room

In April, the Wayne County Medical Examiner's Office determined that the teen died of a selfimposed overdose When police discovered the body, they also found a small amount of heroin and drug paraphernalia inside the apartment

Tracy allegedly called Pierce's father, who lives in northern Michigan, several times requesting money In a strange coincidence, Tracy was living with a man in Dearborn when he died of a drug overdose

last year In light of the recent situation, Dearborn police reopened the investigation into the death of Christopher McCarthy, 33, but have since closed the case again

Board settles on school cuts

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth-Canton Board of Education settled on \$4 2 million in budget cuts Tuesday, while hoping increasing enrollment and a boost in the state's foundation allowance will keep them from using another \$3 6 million in its bank account to balance the 2007-08 budget

Trustees voted to raise class size by one student in all grades, except kindergarten through second, for a total savings of \$1 87 million Their decision was made easier when Assistant Superintendent for Instruction, Barbara Rodenberg, said the cut

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Chamber luncheon

The Canton Chamber of Commerce will host its June networking luncheon on June 6 at 11 30 a m at Summit on the Park The cost for lunch is \$20 and includes a full buffet lunch, beverages and dessert This luncheon is open to the public

Junes luncheon will feature guest speaker Bart Patterson RE/MAX Classic As the Chambers past chairman of the board, Patterson will speak about leadership skills

The luncheon is being sponsored by Outdoor Fun Store, Co and TDS MetroCom Seating is limited and reserva tions are needed. To make your reservation, contact the Canton Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453 4040 Deadline for reservations is Friday, June 1

Youth benefit

Emmaus Coffee House ınsıde St Mıchael Lutheran Church in Canton presents Shana Dunlap and Apollo in a benefit performance 8 p m June 8

All proceeds benefit the St Michael Youth Mission trip St Michael Lutheran Church is located at 7000 N Sheldon in Canton

FROM THE WEB

Story Gas prices driving factor in plans Comments by 1roc Posted to the Web page (www.hometownlife com) 1 24 a m Tuesday May 29

As an American living in Germany I certainly have a different perspective on the price of gas After a quick calculation, I realized that the Germans pay about double the amount for one gallon of gas That's right, about \$7 a gallon I think it is time that American's become more aware of the bigger picture It is time that we think about our fuel consumption and our great BIG cars I realize that there is a serious lack of pubhe transportation in most areas of the US Perhaps we can push the government to help us out here Let's face it, SUV's, Hummers and the like just arent necessary It is time to be practical'

Make-A-Wish fundraiser

Students from Canton Premiere Dance in Canton are teaming up with the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Michigan for their 2007 Showcase on June 15 at 6 30 p m and June 16 at 5 pm to help raise funds for the Foundation a nonprofit organization that grants wishes to children with lifethreatening medical conditions The event will take place at the Village Theater at Cherry Hıll

Our dancers donate their time to perform for a number of charitable events The 2007 Showcase theme is Make A Wish It just seemed natural to incorporate a fund raiser for the largest wish granting organization in the world," said Debbie Custer, owner of Canton Premiere Dance

Students hope to raise \$1,000, helping them to make a child's wish come true through the Kids for Wish Kids Program, a Make A Wish program designed specifically for students looking to support the Foundation through philanthropic efforts To learn more about this event or to get involved, contact Debbie Custer at 734-207-9774

Special Olympics

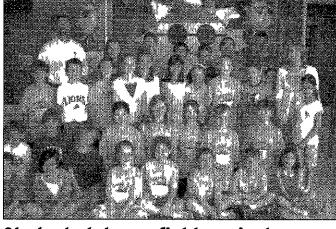
The Special Olympics Michigan 2007 Miles for Medals Walk will take place Sept 30 at Heritage Park in Canton Wayne County resi dents and businesses are lacing up their walking shoes to raise funds and awareness for the 15,200 Special Olympics Michigan athletes, a third of which are from the Metro Detroit area

Individuals or groups inter ested in participating as walk ers can visit www somi org or call Holly Fountain at (586) 731 0922 to register

Summit Senior Players

The 9th Annual production of the Summit Senior Players, It Was A Dark And Stormy Night, by Tim Kelly will take place on Friday and Saturday, June 1-2 at 7 p m and on Sunday, June 3 at 3 p m at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill There will be free valet parking for the Sunday matinee show

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$9 for seniors, \$7 for students, and \$6 for groups of 15 or more Tickets are available at the Summit, and can also be purchased at the Village Theater box office one hour prior



Students take up fight against cancer

The Dodson SunJewels pictured here with second grade teacher Terri Kay and Principal Dan Carr, raised more than any team that participated in last weekend's Relay for Life. The team raised \$23 280 91 to help in the battle against cancer. The Dodson students have been participating in cancer fund-raisers of all kinds for the last three years after losing a fellow student and past principal to cancer

Flapjack fund-raiser

There will be a flapjack fund-raiser 8-10 a m, June 2, at Applebees, 43500 Ford Road in Canton Tickets are \$5 per person for pancakes, sausage or bacon and bever-

There will be a silent auction and raffle with more than 40 items donated from local

businesses

All proceeds will aid Joel Bialobrzeski, his wife Melanie Cline and their 3-year old and 9-month-old boys while he battles rectal cancer and is unable to work

For more information about the fund raiser or how you can help this young family, visit the Web site, www outhousecreative/joel htm

said he feels the board is in a

"The \$4 2 million in cuts,

good position, at this point

combined with a projected

zero foundation allowance,

leaves us with about a \$3 6

million deficit Ryan said I

think its a good spot for the

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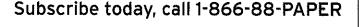
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wouldn t impact elementary classrooms

'Its not as if we have a whole lot of classrooms that are hovering at the edge, Rodenberg said I don't think it's going to be harmful to children because in most cases their class sizes won't go up

The board also decided to cut the LEAP elementary read ing program aides' hours by 33 percent to save \$130,000, which was deemed better than cutting all the aides for \$460,000 The elementary math support for split classrooms (\$90,000) and two school nurses (\$171,000)

survived the cut

The board cut the develop ment director position held by Tom Sklut and his secretary (\$175,000), but kept \$50,000 of the savings for future grant writing Other major cuts included Plymouth High School Athletic Director Terry Sawchuk (\$116,000), increasing the elementary school walking distance from one mile to 1 5 miles (\$206,000), no district buses for field trips (\$50,000), and the elimination of high school media paraprofessionals (\$83,000)

The Board of Education has set a June 12 public hearing on the proposed budget

Trustees also decided not to move the school board election from May to November, to save about 20 percent of the cur

rent \$90,000 or more it currently costs to conduct the annual board election Several board members were con cerned November elections could lead to partisan politick-

The cost to get into an election and the kind of fund-raising needed would go up quite a few notches, said Trustee Judy Mardigian "I just don't think were going to get the kind of people who have come up through the system and have served on district committees"

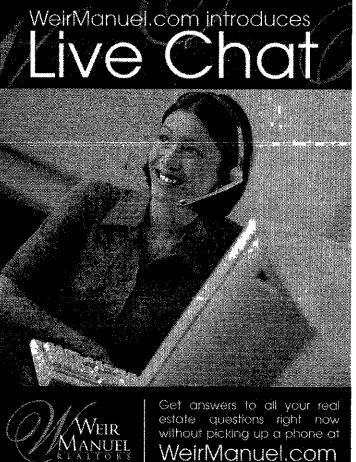
Trustee Dianne Gonzalez noted, "We're pushing the potential candidates to take on a lot more responsibility, and we re concerned about what type of candidates will be taking this on

Trustee Steven Sneideman, who pushed hard to keep class sizes from increasing in K-2, said its time for state legislators to do their part in funding education

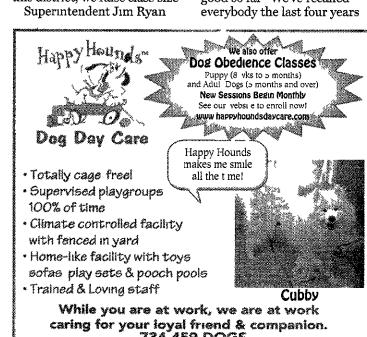
'I felt it needed to be said that we will do our part of the job, but we expect Lansing to do its part, Sneideman said If we had raised class size across the board, it would set a precedent that's what we do in this district, we raise class size

saved

coupled with those who are retiring and those coming back from leave, gives us a better chance of recalling all our teachers, Ryan said I don t know if we'll get to 40, but my reputation has been pretty good so far We ve recalled everybody the last four years



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Rouge Rescue volunteers will help clean up future trail area

BY KURT KUBAN STAFF WRITER

Canton will hold its annual Rouge Rescue/River Day event Saturday, June 2, from 8 a m to 2 p m along the Lower Rouge River, near Michigan Avenue and Morton Taylor Road

Volunteers will be participating in a number of activities, according to Canton Staff Engineer Erika Hidalgo, who is coordinating the event this year Volunteers will be able to choose from a number of activities, including a guided nature walk, birdhouse building, and worm box construction for compost ing However, the main activity will be clean up efforts in and around the river itself

According to Hidalgo, the township received a \$3,075 grant to help pay for the stream clean-up She said volunteers will be picking up trash, but also breaking up logjams to restore the

ROUGE RESCUE/RIVER DAY

What Canton will be holding its Rouge Rescue/River Day site along Lower Rouge River at Michigan Avenue and Morton Taylor Access the site from Palmer Road Turn south onto Round Table into the Canton Country Acres subdivision Round Table turns into Lancelot Look for signs pointing to parking area When 8 a m - 2 p m Saturday June 2

Activities Participants will be able to choose from a number of different activities including guided nature walks birdhouse building, constructing worm boxes for composting and river cleaning efforts. The event will also focus on educational topics such as the removal of invasive species and a Michigan snakes presentation will be given by Nature Discovery

natural flow of the river

"People need to know we won t be tearing out the logiams Were just trying to break the jams by practicing woody debris management Were not removing the wood just opening up the flow, she

Some of the special features this year will be a Michigan native snakes presentation by Nature Discovery, and several guided nature walks led by township officials The guided tours are scheduled for 9 15 am, 10 15 am, and 11 15 a m

According to Hidalgo the tours will be lead along the area where the township will be building a trail net work later this year Township officials approved the plan earlier this year, and are waiting for permits from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality before they can begin con struction

When completed, it will be used for walking jogging, and biking

The guided tours will show people where the trails will be cut in This will bring residents out to the site and get them familiar with the area, Hidalgo

Hıdalgo expects about 200 volunteers to come out Saturday

She said all volunteers will receive a T-shirt, donuts and drinks for breakfast and a barbeque lunch (around noon) Volunteers should come dressed for the weather and location, and are urged to wear long pants, long sleeved tops, and boots As a precaution, all volunteers should also be current on their tetanus shot Township officials will provide bug repellent

To get to the site, Hıdalgo said people should take Palmer Road east of Sheldon, and turn south onto Round Table Drive into the Canton Country Acres sub division

Round Table will turn into Lancelot where there will be signs pointing to the parking area Hidalgo said it is the same site where the township held the event four years ago

Volunteer registration will begin at 8 a m Rouge Rescue/River Day will take place rain or shine

For more information please call Public Works at (734) 394-5150

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Rouge Rescue/River Day will take place Saturday throughout the Rouge River watershed Volunteers will meet in Canton at 8 a m on the Lower Rouge River near Michigan Avenue and Morton Taylor Road

Township board prepares to put Oakwood proposal to rest

BY TIFFANY L PARKS STAFF WRITER

The Canton Township Board of Trustees will attempt to bring closure to Oakwood Healthcare System's request to build a hospital at the northwest corner of Beck and Geddes on June 12

"We are trying to be fair to those residents and to the whole community, said Canton Supervisor Tom Yack, adding that Oakwood representatives initially said they would make a decision about whether to withdraw their proposal by May 15

When the date approached, Yack said Oakwood officials asked for additional time to look at other sites within the township, but have yet to announce any decision con cerning the 88-acre parcel at Beck and Geddes

The Dearborn-based corporation proposed building a small medical facility at the intersection and then morphing it into a 650,000-squarefoot hospital

The land, which is owned by Singh Development and was slated for luxury homes and

apartments, is packaged under a planned development district agreement for additional phases of Singh's Charing Cross subdivision

On April 2, the Planning Commission voted 6-1 to deny Oakwood's request to alter the PDD About two-thirds of the 540-person audience was against the proposal

Although some board mem bers have already said they are against the proposal, Yack said if Oakwood representatives attend the meeting next month, they ll have a chance to speak but added, 'I don't know what the value would be

David Ippel, Oakwood s division president of ambulatory services, said he doesn't expect any of the corporations officials to attend the board meeting and called the move "appropriate for the township

This doesn't preclude us from doing something in the future,' he said 'We like that site we always have the right to go back and appeal"

Ippel reiterated Oakwood's stance that they wish to be good neighbors in Canton

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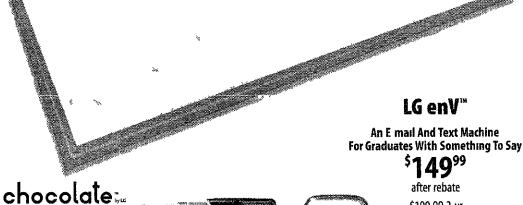
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BY TIFFANY L PARKS
STAFF WRITER

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46, still faces

Campbell-Baumgardner assault and battery for alleged-ly attacking her 86-year-old

husband, William Baumgartner, with a knife or fork on April 22 while the two were at Max & Ermas in Canton Pre-trial motions will begin June 4 before Judge Edward Ewell, Jr at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice in Detroit Earlier this month, Ewell lifted a no-contact restriction between the two, who got married five months ago

Baumgartner, who has filed for a divorce, testified that his wife continued an argument from earlier that day inside the restaurant. At the preliminary hearing, he disputed statements in the police report that Campbell-Baumgartner waved a sharp utensil near his face but admitted that she had pushed and hit him at their Canton home.

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Crimboli, who has one adult son, caused a stir eight years ago when he lined the front of his business with a row of palm trees

"I spend my winters in Florida and wanted to bring some of that atmosphere to Michigan and they nearly had to shut Ford Road down, he laughed "People started calling me a marketing genius I didn't have the heart to tell them (otherwise)"

Immediately after attracting the attention of passerbys

and the media, Crimboli began peddling palms of varying sizes They're typically on display from Mother's Day to Halloween

"They make good Christmas trees," he joked, adding that they've become his most popular item

A couple years ago, Crimboli built a collection of small, wooden shops called Sweetwater Village for his wife, Linda, to manage

"They're a little pricey but the items are unique," he said, adding that Linda is planning to retire with him When his crew of seven full-time employees begin running the show without

him next season, Crimboli

says it will be bittersweet
'I enjoy helping out our
customers," he said "I walk
around and answer questions I don't say who I am
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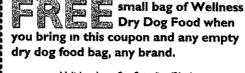
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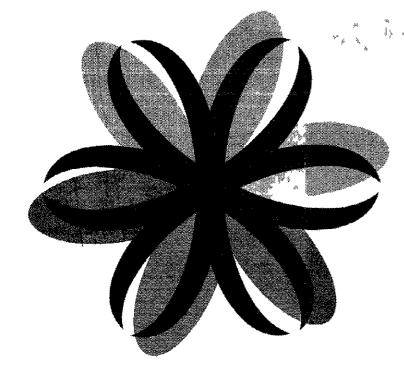
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Vets offer advice on workplace re-entry

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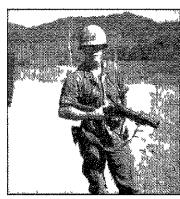
Mılıtary veterans face challenges getting reacclimated to the civilian workforce Those who have served in the armed forces have words of advice for younger vets coming back from Iraq and Afghanistan

Don Bain of Plymouth Township was in the US Army 1966 69 in Vietnam He worked in the Army as a civil engineer, construction officer, and mostly as an executive officer for a combat engineer company

The Penn State graduate took ROTC military training as an undergraduate while there as it was mandatory. He was commissioned a second lieutenant at graduation

Bain encourages younger veterans to get involved with veterans organizations to help rthem adjust Its not something anybody ever gets over,'

Bain recalled he got at least one R and-R' and wife Elaine met him in Hawaii It was the Chinese New Year and the cel-



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This is 1st Lt Don Bain with an M 79 grenade launcher at the firing range at Ben Het (Ben Het is about 2 kilometers from the Vietnam Laos, Cambodia border intersection) Soldiers used the M 79 to do what is called H&I firing (harassment and interdiction) at night

ebration included firecrackers I immediately dove on the floor, Bain said So you get

kind of conditioned Bain doesn't have nightmares but still dreams that "somehow I ve joined the Army again and that I was back in

He stayed in the Army a year and a half after Vietnam,

resigning his commission as a captain Bain earned a master of business administration degree on the GI Bill from the Wharton School/University of Pennsylvania, and had a 32year career at Ford Motor Co

'An era of tremendous turmoil, a lot of war protests. The returning troops were not treated very well," Baın saıd of his early days home I do not have fond memories of the

He and his wife have been to a couple of military reunions and keep in touch with people with whom he served

Its hard to make the transition You've just got to deal with it There are organizations available that can provide help and counseling, he said 'Get to know other veterans and have a sounding board for some of the problems they to experiencing*

There's not really a facility he knows of to help the military work with civilian employers

I had no overlap of the two," said Bain, who pointed out Ford categorized Vietnam veterans as minorities

I would expect they would have something similar today said Bain, who retired in 2002 and went back to Ford for nearly two years as a consult

In addition to veterans organizations, there's Veterans Affairs, some businesses like Home Depot have preferential hiring and workplace assistance, Bain added

Elaine took teaching classes while he was at Penn She recalled their meeting at the airport earlier in Honolulu, and how hard it was for mili tary families to say goodbye to loved ones

Generals are crying, and colonels are crying It didn t matter what your rank was said Elaine Bain, who went to school with some undergraduate protest leaders who vilified mulitary personnel "which made it even harder for guys who came back and went to school

"People really didnt have a handle on what was going on, plus the government hed like crazy," she added

Don and Elaine have two sons and a daughter Don Bain * said of the Vietnam service , men and today's combat troops, 'They were out there in the middle of nowhere just

The officers and first sergeant of Charlie Company, 299 Combat Engineers Republic of Vietnam 1968

killing people' Military personnel were then put on a plane to fly home

'You don't really fit in that space anymore Elaine Bain said We're fortunate Donald was able to hold it all together

Fellow Plymouth Township resident Bill O Maras also a Vietnam veteran, having served 1967-68 as a sergeant in the Army infantry He was in the restaurant business as a manager before his Army serv-

After I came home, that job was still available," O Mara said He took his old job, and then went into sales with his dad, working for 33 years at what is now Sysco Corp

O'Mara was older about 25, when he was drafted

All my thoughts were serve my time and come home." remembered O Mara, who said he didn t have a lot of issues upon return to the US

It felt good to be home, O'Mara recalled He and wife Elizabeth started their family, which includes three daughters

"Try to get back into the mainstream as soon as possible O Mara tells returning veterans Get back into doing something See what options are available" such as militarysupported schooling

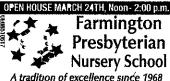
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Labor Department: More young vets working than in past

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The drop in the young veterans' unemployment rate is the largest decline in more than a decade The unemployment rate for all veterans remained lower than that of nonveter-

It is encouraging to see this significant drop in the unemployment rate of young veterans, said Secretary of Labor Elaine L Chao Helping America's servicemen and women successfully transition to civilian jobs when they leave the armed forces is a top prior ity of this department and these latest numbers show that progress is being made

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Transition Assistance Program Young veterans are referred to one of the country's 3,400 comprehensive and affiliate One-Stop Career Centers where personalized assistance is available to find jobs and build the skills they

need to succeed in the civilian labor force In addition, VETS continues to collaborate on research to better understand the specific issues young yeterans face as they transition to cıvılıan jobs

VETS also conducts outreach to employers through the HireVetsFirst gov program, which emphasizes the value of hiring veterans and

helps employers find qualified veterans to fill positions

"For the past several years, we have stepped up our efforts to meet the needs of transitioning service members and protect their employment rights," said Charles Ciccolella, assistant secretary of labor for Veterans Employment and Training 'We are heartened by the improved employment outcomes last year We also continue to reach out to employers through the HireVetsFirst gov campaign, to emphasize the values veterans bring to their businesses, and help them recruit veter-

For those veterans wishing to return to their pre-military employers the Department of Labor protects their reemployment rights under the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act, known as USERRA



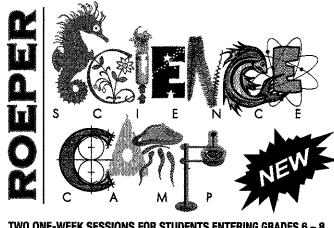
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Find out what discounts are available on your homeowners and auto insurance For example if you have a teenager who drives your car there is a dis count for good grades

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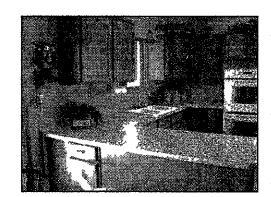
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The Sharing & Caring Coffee Hour is an ongoing grief support group for w dows and widowers hosted by Heartland Hosp ce The group is held from 10 11 a m at Heartland Healthcare Center located at 4701 N Lilley Road in Canton The focus of the group is on the later stages of grief with an emphas s on learning to live with the loss. This group is held the first and third Wednesday of the month and is open to anyone grieving the loss of a spouse. There is no charge to attend

AROUND TOWN

For additional information contact Ann Christensen Heartland Hospice bereavement coordinator toll free at (888) 973 1145

St John the Baptist 100th Anniversary

St. John the Bapt st Ukrainian Catholic Church in Detroit celebrates its 100th anniversary with a jubilee banquet 1 pm Sunday June 24 at the Ukrainian Cultural Center 26601 Ryan in Warren Cost is \$50 For more information e mail Joseph Szafranski at joseph szafranski@msn.com or call (248) 661 0099

Believille High reunion Belleville High School Class of 1982 will hold its 25 year class reunion Aug 3 5 at the Eagle Crest Marriott in Ypsilanti For more information con tact Bridget at brotary@comcast net or call R chelle Fales at (734) 844

8704 Garden walk

The Wayne Garden Club will present the Wayne Garden Walk from 9 30 a m 230 pm June 23 Tickets will be sold at Goudy Park Gardens behind Wayne City Hall 3355 S Wayne Road on the day of walk. For more informa tion contact Beverly at (734) 722 9666 or Sue at (734) 641 9888

Comedy for a cause A comedy fund raiser called Big Laughs for Big Mac is scheduled for June 23 at Wise Guys Comedy Club 40380 Grand R ver in Novi Proceeds from the show will benef t Tomorrows Child/Michigan SIDS The cost of the show is \$15 Door opens at 7 pm and the show starts at 8 p m E mail Carol at s dsnews@comcast net with your quest ons and to register Anyone interested in purchasing a t cket can contact Tara Rotthoff of Canton at (734) 927 4691 or (734) 812 1630 or e mail her at elephant1175@aol com

Grade School Reunion

In conjunction with its 100th anniver sary St John the Baptist Ukrainian

Catholic Church in Detroit hosts a reun on of all former students of the parish grade school (1940s to 1980s) The event takes place 630 pm Friday June 22 at the St Josaphat Banquet Center 26440 Ryan (one block south of I 696) in Warren

Cost is \$45 For more information e mail Eugenia Tkacz at genia46@juno.com.or.call (734) 284 2159 Deadline for tickets is Friday

Michigan Dance camp

Michigan Dance Express Summer Camp is currently accepting applica t ons for their 15th Annual Summer Dance Camp scheduled for July 15 19 at Camp Copneconic in Fenton Michigan Dancers ages 8 16 are eli gible to attend the dance camp, where they will study all forms of dance in add tion to daily dance classes students will also participate in tradition al camp activities such as boating swimming hiking arts and crafts games and more

For more information about the dance camp please contact Michigan Dance Express at 7570 Wadding Onsted MI 49265 or call (313) 562 1203 or (517) 592 5326 The Dance Camp director is Jan Sickle Witte owner of Jan's Dance Connection in Dearborn Heights and Brooklyn Mi

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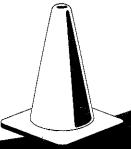
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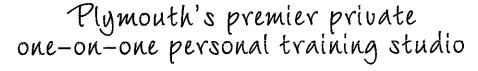
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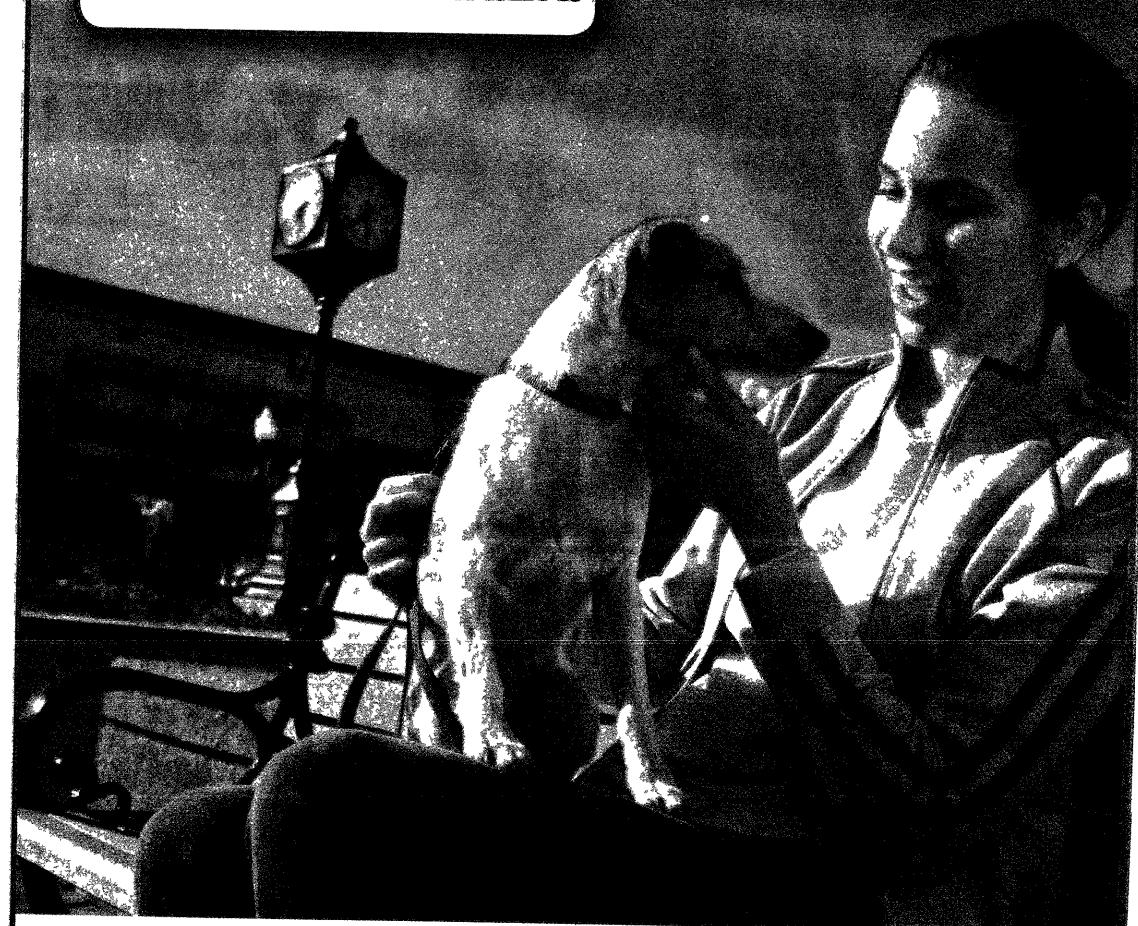




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OUR VIEWS

Will of voters should matter

Nancy Eggenberger won a spot on the Plymouth Cunton Board of Education in the May 8 election and the urrent board did the right thing last week by giving her a five week head start

Il e board appoin ed Eggenberger whose term actually doesn't start until July 1 to replace Mark Slavens who resigned May 8 after being chosen by Gov Jennifer Granholm for a seat on the 3rd Circuit Court That will allow Eggenberger to hit the ground running as she begins her learning curve to full-time board member

The move also ensures the board a full seven member complement as it continues to wrestle with budget issues and decides how best to replace Superintendent Jim Rvan who will leave the district before the next school year is completed

Meanwhile the board will have to tackle the replace ment issue again in July Despite the pending judicial ppointment Slavens stayed in the race a move some hought skewed the race As a result he was the secondplace firisher and as such won his third term on the

So another spot opens in July The board will certainly follow its procedures and again accept applications, but it had the chance last week to interview two of the other three candidates who were on the May 8 ballot - Kurt Heise and Larry Martin John Nichols, who decided against running this year after a failed campaign a year reo also applied and interviewed

Heise surprised everyone by saying from the outset hggenberger should get this first post, he said hell make I rown his interest in the next one Martin and Nichols Will also apply and a couple of others have shown interest we hope candidate Bruce Koldys is one of them)

Martin and Nichols have been involved in the district, both would make good board members. Heise who hasnt made much of an effort to attend meetings or budget discussions has still managed to educate himself on the

Heise made a big point last week of making sure the will of the voters is honored He could have made that casier for board members to do with a little more effort such as sticking around for board meetings or budget ses sions Board members must pick the person they believe

Still when the board meets in July to choose Slavens replacement, they should keep the voters in mind

Graduation is no time to get stupid

Teens throughout the area are counting down the mays until they will walk out of their high schools for the last time - and out into a new world full of promise and wonder

Graduating from high school is one of the great milestones of life. It is an exciting time of transition Many students will be headed off to college in the fall others will take on jobs

It is a well-earned time of celebration that should be enjoyed

Unfortunately, many teens choose to use their new found freedom to party harder than they should and in many cases this includes drinking, drugs, and even dirving too fast (and sometimes a combination of all three)

All too often teens think they are indestructible, and don't think about the consequences of their actions before its too late. Here are some sobering statistics they should be aware of before they go out and screw up their future before it really has a chance

The graduation and prom season is the deadliest season of the year for teen drivers and their passen gers According to the National Highway Traffic safety Administration (NHTSA) teen traffic deaths peak in the summer wher teens are behind the wheel a oin than at any other time of year

crashes are the leading cause of death for I con according to AAA and 40 percent of teen sat recident tatalities during prom and graduation s ison are alcohol related. Of all fatal teen auto acci gion some third involve speed related collisions and in a rieriry ve the ase o alcohol

se drinking has also been linked to a signifi cal wib rof (1) vnings and as n any as two thirds o all sexual assaults and date rapes of teens and col legi stidents

So while graduation is certainly a milestone to cele b to there car be some significant consequences for relebrating too hard Teens should enjoy themselves of ut not propardize the 1 future



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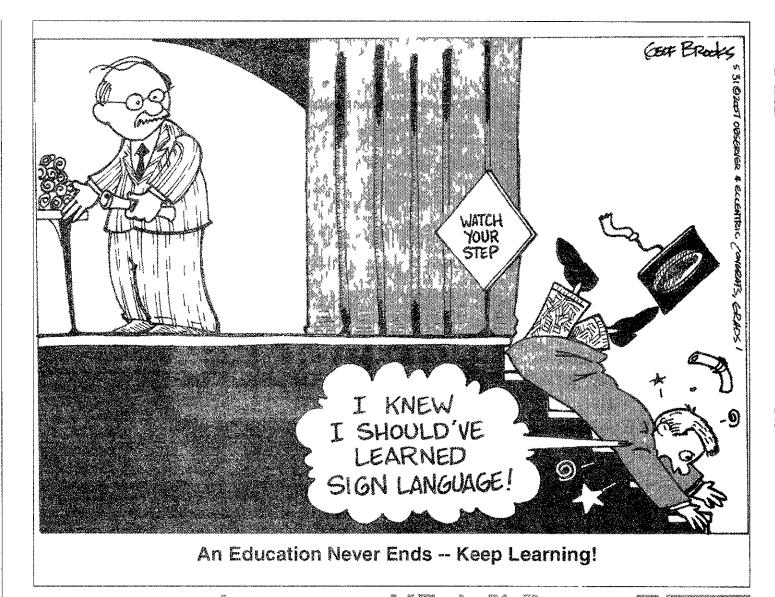
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I would also like to thank the families of those who serve for your sacrifices for sharing your son or daughter brother or sister husband or wife with our commu nity and our country His or her service provides freedom for all Americans and the spread of democracy across the world

Fven though Memor al Day has passed tis still very important to live honoral v for our veterans I encorrage tne community to take the time to thank them and honor their memory and sacri fice through your actions. We owe it to them to raise our children with a strong foundation of patriotism. It is our duty to teach them to cherish the principles that grant us our freedom and to honor those who have put their lives on the line

Again I thank you for your sacrifice and God bless you all

state Rep. Phil LaJov 21st House District

Islam elevates women

This is in response to a letter to the editor titled Muslim women oppressed published in the Canton Observer on

May 17 The author alleges that Muslim women are oppressed and cites some Web sites and TV channels as reference I humbly suggest the author should talk to some practicing Muslim women rather than relying on biased media cov erage The author further states that Muslim wome i are treated sproperty in some Muslim countries. I one studies Islam from its true sources (the Koi in and the traditions of Prophet Mohammed one will find that islam elevates the status of worker and allo confe sughts upon her +la et id of in other religiou

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low + (undette Viu S ve well wire to glefn helect it he would be unable to serve as a member of the Plymouth Canton school board if re elected for an appointment as a judge of the 3rd Judicial (Wayne County) Circuit was to be his shortly Yet inexpli c bly Mr Slavens failed to withdraw his name from the list of candidates and almost no one who voted for him was aware that he would be unable to serve

Kurt Heise received the next highest number of votes - more than 2 500 and it is obvious he should be appointed to the school board according to the will of the voters I was one of those who voted for Mr Heise and I will be extremely disappointed should he not as fauness and the continued enfranchisement of those thousands of voters who cast their ballots for him would dictate be a pointed to replace Mark Slavens on the Plvi outh Cinton school board

If any action other than appointing Mr Heise to the school board is taken then my confidence in the integrity of the process and that of every other voter in the district will be severely shaken as well it should be

Margaret Waldecker

Canton

Heise deserves spot

I m one of the Canton voters who voted for Kurt Heise for the PCCS school board as did my husband and son as well Its too bad that Heise doesn't automatically get Mark Slavens spot since he came in third

I remember the *Observer* newspaper also wanted the third place person to fin ish second in the event that Slavens took first or second I hope that same rule applies to Heise

It seems to me that at least the absen tee voters who voted for Mark Slavens before he announced his resignation got then votes stolen from them as they v dhwovoted for someone else if 1 y had known. Other voters might not h ve notten the word either unless they k pt up with he local news I saw yard

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school board meeting by Carl Berry Arent you Mr Heise, the chosen son of the ultraconservative Republicans and Carl Berry? As reported in the Observer on May

20, didn't Mr Heise receive several campaign contributions from law firms doing business with Wayne County, his employer? Why did the director of the Detroit Water Board, Mr Victor Mercado contribute to the Heise campaign for the local school board?

Finally the motivation behind Mr Heises desire to be appointed to the Plymouth Canton school board is tainted by contributions to his campaign from two staff members of Sen Patterson who are on the state payroll - Mr Bob Mauseth and Ms Sue Tressel

There are several other highly quali fied and sincerely motivated candidates who should be appointed to the PCCS

Bill Nowacki Plymouth

Thanks for caring

A sincere thank you to the Canton Newcomers area churches area schools and multiple individuals that positively responded to a request for care package items for our military fighting the war on terror in Iraq and Afghanistan The response was overwhelming!

Shipment of items will be readied 7 30 p m Monday, June 11, at the PLAV #166 White Fagle Post, 39375 Amrhein in Livonia for anyone interested in lending a hand

Roger L. Kehrier

Plymouth

Good for Bruce

Bluce Patterson stated in the Observer a few weeks ago that he was contributing to the turnaround of Michigan's economy by giving back some of his salary Good for Bruce Patterson I haven't seen any other takers What about Rep LaJoy? I didn't see anything from him

Mr Patterson could you let us know if anyone else has taken this on and if you kept your promise? **Hadley Hudak**

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State's budget 'solution' solves nothing in the end

he great German Chancellor Otto von Bismarck once wisely said there were two things you didn't want to see being made sausage and legislation They're both messy Often you have no idea whats in the end product And what goes into the process is, well, not for the faint-hearted

There were sighs of relief across the state last weekend, after our Michigan legislators ground together enough ingredients to assert they had overcome an \$800 million deficit for the fiscal

year ending Sept. 30



Power

Yet the way it was done is dismaying, and pro vides clear evidence that our political leaders are still scared to tackle the real problems that every year - turn up a chronic billion-dollar-plus structural state budget deficit

> Everyone now knows Michigan is in deep economic crisis That meant our states leaders had a wonderful chance to step up and accomplish the obvious Grand Bargain That

would involve making serious changes in the workings and costs of state and local government in return for dragging the tax system into the 21st century But they opted for a bunch of accounting hocus-pocus, one-time gimmicks and borrowing from the future

What they gave us instead of a future was the image of a balanced budget without the financial substance Although the legislators claim they accomplished \$785 million in savings, there were very few tough budget cuts and no tax increases in the deal they cobbled together late last week

The one place they did cut was the place our future could least afford — higher education Virtually everybody realizes that Michigans economic future depends in large part on increasing the proportion of the workforce with a college degree But state support for universities, already suffering from repeated cutbacks over the years was cut by another \$26 million

Additionally, state payments worth \$165 million to universities and community colleges were delayed until October, safely after the start of the new fiscal year But that \$165 million will have to be added to next years deficit.

The Legislatures other solutions are at least as bad Attracting and retaining the highly talented and educated creative class Michigan needs requires a frothy mix of stimulating communities and a vibrant arts and cultural scene Yet our law makers cut \$3 6 million from arts and cultural programs

Three funds meant to be restricted - refined petroleum, state campaign and convention facili ties - were raided for \$215 million Pension and retirement accounting rules were changed, pro ducing a savings of \$364 million

Even before this deal was done, the highly

respected, nonpartisan Citizens Research Council of Michigan said the state has grabbed cash out of restricted funds and resorted to various accountıng gımmıcks worth \$4 2 billion

Now, that figure is even higher Want to know how bad our states standing has slipped? Michigan earned \$137 million in interest pay ments in 2000 This year, well have to pay \$66 million interest on short-term loans

The budget deal does avoid some of the worst possibilities There will be no lost payments to public schools, Gov Jennifer Granholm had threatened a \$116 cut per pupil There will be no shutdown of state government the layoffs the gov ernor had warned state employees to expect aren t happening, at least not yet And there will be no further cuts in revenue sharing for local govern ment, legislators had been talking about cutting them by \$40 million

House Speaker Andy Dillon, D-Redford reflect ing on what had to be done to balance the budget was quoted as saying, "I m not proud of these cuts But they get us to our end goal Certainly, the con sequences of no budget agreement could have been a disaster Michigan scarcely needs the national embarrassment of payless paydays wholesale layoffs of state employees and God knows what else Dillon and Senate Majority Leader Mike Bishop R Rochester are smart and have established a good working relationship

Trouble is, if they can't put together a realistic, long-term budget agreement this time around, who can believe they're gonna do it next year?

For next year the problems will be much much worse The projected budget deficit for the fiscal year that begins with October was \$16 billion even before all the stuff that got shoveled from this

The rumor actively circulating in Lansing is that in exchange for no tax increase this year lawmak ers (including some crucial Republicans) will vote for an increase in the state income tax from 3 9 percent to 4 4 percent Republicans are denying any such deal and Democrats are laying low hop ing that emerging bipartisan support for a tax increase will immunize both political parties

Sooner or later, however Michigans political leaders are going to have to face that a far-reaching, common-ground reform agenda must be put into place

We simply cannot survive as a state — let alone prosper - as long as we cannot put our financial house solidly in order This year's budget agreement does not do it Instead its yet another example of political expediency overcoming a great opportunity to move toward sensible financial management

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Tone down rhetoric, adjust attitude and learn to listen, compromise

this great nation I went to Vietnam believing that I was a critical ally of a democratic republic that sought the help of the United States in order to preserve its liberty Like most of my generation, we held to the notion that those who sought at least a two-party system that tried to help citizens meet their own needs and were considerate of each others rights, followed a system of ethics and civic culture that should be respected and protected

In my heart, even today, I believe that the spirit of liberty must have fairness, compassion, tolerance, respect for different points of view allowance for personal choice initiative and accountability As we work toward self-reliance through hopeful ideas

given us we experience a humane way of life, a way of life based on alliances that create a feeling of community Without this, we are, as St. Paul said, a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal

If we are to create an authentic society based on common law, rather than on liberal secular expression opposing conservative The Rev Dennis theocratic standards then some-Skiles where along the line, we must get honest with ourselves because

right now, we are being unbelievably dishonest with each other Let me tell you what will pass away Better yet, let St Paul tell us prophetic powers, understanding of mysteries and all knowledge Paul also mentions something about moving mountains and even that won t help, unless somewhere along the line we begin to see each other as equals, endowed by our Creator with certain inalienable

If we are to create a real democratic republic, based on respect instead of the slanted chaos that we call dialogue" we must begin to tone down the gotcha attitude and the unbelievable cronyism that hides behind the one true faith doctrine of disre spect that pervades our culture No person is even close to being more next to God than any other We are all the children of the Loving Creator Christ never came to be interpreted as a hate monger He released the law of vendetta and taught love and tolerance The secular left and the religious right do not have the answers Liberalism vs conservatism is not the answer Big money is no more noble than big labor I am no less prejudiced and hateful than anyone else Religious leaders aren't exempt I have been a bigot in my heart many times, and so have all of you

There is a formula for success, though, and here it is Let us listen to each other! Let the right quit calling the 'left" weirdos, instead, let them see the needs of the less advantaged and let the 'left quit sneering at the ethical and moral framework that the right supports Each point of view is a dimen sion of democracy and it supports a political agenda that will only work when in balance

We are a paradox. Let us accept the truth that we are, at the same time a nation of Christians and non-Christians a plurality of people from all over this world, seeking to practice economic and spintual freedom We pursue happiness, protecting others right to practice a faith, or not, as they choose

Our liberal democratic culture works to assist the human needs of its people and looks to allow each of us to express our God-given gifts We are not free if we're not respectful and tolerant. We are only free when we give others some space Ethicist, activist and Detroit Mercy Professor Mike Whitty says he is very much an optimist Why? Because we all know what's wrong As a minister, I'm familiar with all kinds of people who can tell me what's wrong. Like Whitty, however, I want to see what's right and try to make things better I want to join in an agenda that blends individual initiative and compassion for my brothers and sisters Like Whitty, I can see the virtue in self reliance, accountability and altruism," for it "creates a more successful and democratic civic culture 'What it creates is 'good" This happens best when we are all included at the economic and political table

If what we want to do in the major metropolitan area of Detroit is continue to be relevant in this world, then we must agree to study the questions at hand from the viewpoint of mutual respect Otherwise, we will continue to say, 'no problem here and ignore either real or imagined oppression, intolerance and unforgiveness. Then the best we can hope for is that we justify our behavior by scapegoating those who are different from us

There is a steady stream of leadership that comes from consensus building and power-sharing It promotes respect and understanding Yet there is also a steady stream that comes from a rigid point of view that is the opposite It promotes fear, hatred and war I ve been to war There was no democracy, there was no vision and there was only intentional, well-organized destruction and death. It was not humane in any way shape or form Such injustice destroys and 'the first casualty of any conflict is the

Make no mistake intolerance can overcome compassion, but only for a little while Modern rhetoric can overcome intrinsic worth, but only for a little while Because in the end, compromise'has been the foundation of our democracy and we have forgotten that, but only for a little while Yes, St Paul said it best. For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face Now I know in part, then I shall understand fully, even as I have been fully understood So faith, hope, love abide, these three, but the greatest of these is love '(I Cor 13 12-13) N R.SV Perhaps we could, "live and let live" a little, Maybe what we could do is what Whitty suggests, we could be, individuals invested in community, leadership, social change and personal growth' Then, just perhaps, we could quit blaming the other person and see if we could appreciate being part of a multi-cultural economic, powerhouse called Detroit." In my heart, as a local minister and also as a citizen, I see this coming true for all of us Let's do business together

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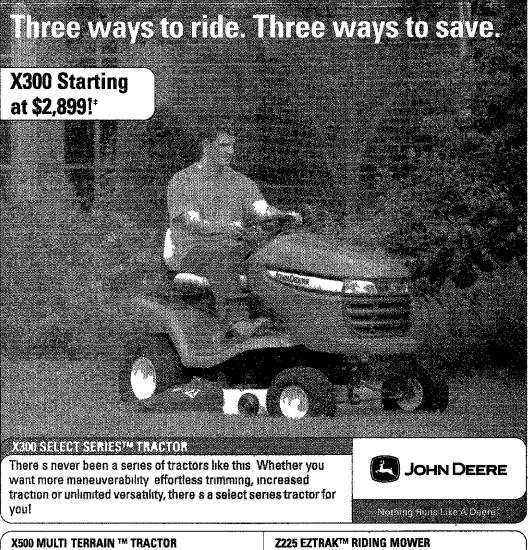
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Tails & Trails dog walk to benefit Paws With a Cause

The Plymouth/Canton Kıwanıs Breakfast Club are going to the dogs Their 5th Annual Tails & Trails Charity Dog Walk takes place Saturday, June 2, in Heritage Park in Canton

Registration is \$15 per dog in advance or \$20 on the day of the event Walk ups are welcome, but pre registration is encouraged The first 80 registered dogs will receive a free goody bag

Current dog vaccination record must be presented at time of check-in For more information or to register, visit www pckiwanis org or call (734) 451-3500

Sponsored by Pet Supplies Plus all proceeds from the annual event will benefit PAWS With a Cause and the Plymouth Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club This is one of the Plymouth/Canton Kıwanıs Breakfast Club's major fund-raisers and allows them to sponsor community programs throughout the year

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Plymouth/Canton school

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tricts need more support services in the wake of the state's budget problems, the state's intermediate school districts are facing budget problems of

When Christopher Wigent, currently superintendent of the Calhoun County Intermediate School District, becomes the new superintendent of the Wayne County Regional Education Service Agency on July 1, he will face the task of tightening his budget while continuing to provide needed services

There is a tightening of the organization, but at the same time when RESAs and ISDs may cut providing services to the local districts, they may need services even more,' he

Intermediate school districts were created by the state Legislature in 1962 as an intermediary service agency between the state Department of Education and local school districts The state has 57 intermediate school districts RESA serves the 34 school districts in Wayne County

Wigent was selected by the RESA board to replace Marlene Davis, who retires June 30 He comes to RESA after six years as superintendent of the Calhoun County ISD He has served as superin-



held positions as principal, assistant principal and teacher in a 27year career in

education, which included a student teaching position at Redford Union High School

I ve had a very successful career and each of those moves was for something better and a blessing of the people I worked with, he said "People have really mentored me very well and I desired to move to the next level and people have been good at helping me with that"

RESA serves a larger area than the Calhoun County agency, where Battle Creek is the largest school district. But in some ways, it is a smaller operation

"In Calhoun County, it's a little different than in Wayne We provide a few more direct services," he said 'We have a development center, starting in July, we'll be operating a technology center, we supply all of the school social workers and psychologists for the local districts In fact in July, we'll have 400 employees, while Wavne RESA has less, about 280 The idea is the same, education service and leadership. The delivery system is a little different'

DIFFERENT NEEDS

In Calhoun County Wigent dealt with 13 school districts,

including the large Detroit school district Wigent said he and his staff were able to build close personal relations with the superintendents of the Calhoun districts

"Obviously with 34, that's a little more difficult in providing services," he said 'But I still think it's about those relationships and helping districts understand that it might not always be equal There might be projects where just half the districts wish to take advantage of that, but at the same time be responsive to the other half of those districts and what they need as well

One of Wigent's top priorities will be meeting with the 34 superintendents individually in July and early August about what RESA is doing right and what the superintendents think can be improved

Wigent will be dealing with the troubled Detroit School District, which will also have a new superintendent

The first thing I ll do is build on the relationships that are already there between RESA and Detroit," he said 'There has been a lot of work that has gone on over the last several years, specifically with Detroit Public Schools — going into high-priority buildings, providing coaching I think it's important to put their minds at rest that we are

Education will move funds from Detroit to RESA for the high-priority schools

"It will be more important than ever that we communicate and work closely with Detroit to make sure those monies are put to as good a use as possible, he said

NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND

Wigent said another key area for RESA is working with school districts to meet challenges of the federal No Child Left Behind legislation and the a states new high school graduation requirements

Our role is to help provide leadership to the districts to get through the myriad of laws and requirements," he said

Wigent said there will continue to be political obstacles to the merging of smaller school districts, as proposed by many wat political leaders to save costs

"I d rather concentrate on consolidation of services. he said "Achieve a smarter use of dollars"

Wigent, his wife and two sons, 10 and 7, will be moving to Wayne County from Marshall as soon as they sell their home. He said the timing is right as his wife is just completing a doctorate at Michigan State University

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St. Mary Mercy Hospital to host open house

St Mary Mercy Hospital holds its annual Community information, screenings,

Open House featuring health

games, prizes, music and more 1-5 p m Sunday, June 3, on the hospital north grounds, 36475 Five Mile at Levan, Livonia Call (734) 655-1592 or visit www.stmarymercy.org All events are free

Kıds will love the game tent and inflatable activities, and everyone can learn valuable information from the hospitals health professionals on topics

such as orthopedics, surgery, cancer, and the heart Always a favorite are visits from the community's medical rescue vehicles including ambulances, fire trucks, Livonia Police and K-9 Units, and the MedFlight helicopter Enjoy food and refreshments and prizes

Visitors can receive a health screening, or take a tour of the hospital including the new

Heart & Vascular Center and Heart & Vascular Center and Inpatient Rehabilitation Unit

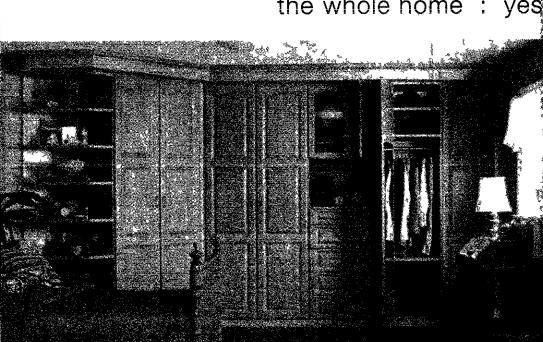
The open house follows the Cancer Survivors Celebration beginning at 11:30 a m with a reception in the hospital's south lobby For more informa tion, call (734) 655-8950

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Summer music ministry

Potpourri May 31 Brass Quintet June

21 and Cabaret July 19 dinner at 6 pm (\$5) concert at 7 pm Thursdays at St. James Presbyterian Church 25350 W Six Mile Redford A love offer ing will be received for the Music Ministry at St. James. Call (313) 534

UPCOMING

Southern Gospel concert

Featuring Strength and Company 7 pm Friday June 1 at Living Water

Church 11663 Arcola one block west of Inkster off Plymouth Livonia Free will offering Call (734) 425 6360

Franciscan peacemaking

How do we find personal peace in a chaotic world? How peace in our everyday life is achieved through for giveness and loving kindness Personal peace can set the stage for interna tional peace. These topics will be dis cussed during a presentation by the internationally known author poet and spiritual master Rev Murray Bodo OFM at 730 pm Friday June 1 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church 47650 N Territorial Road at Beck Plymouth Tickets \$15 For more information call St Aloysius Parish (313) 237 5810 or Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish (734) 453 0326 ext 221

12 at Cherry Hill Village and Cherry intersection of Cherry Hill and Ridge roads if you need it you will find it

GEORGE TUREK

sons Howard and George two sisters

Julia and Helen. Also four grand

daughters three step children eight

step grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren and many nephews and

nieces In his younger days he loved

to fish in Michigan and Florida In

later years it was poker and winters in

Florida He worked for the Detroit

School Board for many years acting

as President and other offices in the

Union He was so proud to be a veter

an of WW II as a Machinist Mate in

the Navy His remains will be interned

at Great Lakes National Cemetery In

WILLIAM SAMUEL

BUSHNELL (1941 - 2007)

William Samuel Bushnell of Rapid

City Michigan died May 25th after a

seven month battle with lung cancer The son of Harvey and Blanche

Bushnell Bill was born in Buffalo

NY on September 12, 1941 and spent

most of his life as a resident of

Birmingham He was a proud gradu ate of Culver Military Academy and

the University of Detroit He married

Margaret Jeanne Panter in 1963 Their

first child Kimberly was born a year

later followed by their son William in 1967 Bill began his career at Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corporation

working for Ian Kiltie who would

become a major influence in Bill's life

He remained at Allegheny Ludlum for

over thirty years interrupted briefly in

the mid 1970s when he worked for his

brother in law William Busch at

Haven Busch Steel Company in Grand

Rapids Returning to Allegheny for

the remainder of his career Bill retired

in 2001 as a regional manager

Retirement suited Bill He and Peggy

built their dream house on Elk Lake An avid golfer Bill enjoyed his last

round of golf on the Old Course at St

Andrews He also loved to sail and

cherished several bareboat charters

with his family Retirement also

enabled Bill to give back to his church

and community. He was a trustee for the First Presbyterian Church of Elk

Rapids where he was instrumental in

getting the church involved with Eagle Village a resident facility for troubled children He delivered Meals on

Wheels and built countless homes with Habitat for Humanity and

Freedom Builders Bill is survived by

his wife Peggy Bushnell daughter Kimberly (Brad Welch) and son

William Jr (Marilee Bushnell) and his

Village 4507 170th Ave Hersey MI

1pm The family is being serviced by

(213)

William and

Memorials in

Holly MI June 5 at 10 30 AM

Age 85 of Plymouth died May 23 at the Whitehall

Nursing Home He leaves behind his wife Phyllis two

Garage sales

9 a m to 4 p m Friday Saturday June Hill United Methodist Church near the

Call church for more information or directions (734) 495 0035 **Crossfire reunion**

7 p m Friday June 1 in Knox Hall at Ward Presbyterian Church Northville Join us for an evening of praise and worship led by the ever popular Crossfire band followed by a build your

own ice cream sundae social Free

childcare provided For details call

Yard sale

(248) 374 5920

8 am to 2 pm Saturday June 2 at Living Water Church 11663 Arcola one block west of Inkster off Plymouth Livonia To benefit sending children to summer camp Call (734) 425 6360

Rummage sale

Sellers wanted for rummage sale to be held 9 a m to 3 p m June 2 from when Riverside Park Church of God is pro moting an outdoor mini flea market (weather permitting) to the public Spots are available to rent at only \$20 each 8 foot tables are an additional \$5 You must register by May 30 For more information call (734) 464 0990 The church is at 11771 Newburgh Road (corner of Plymouth Road) Livonia One man's junk is another man's treasure as the old saying goes Find out for yourself on June 2

Single Point biking

10 am Saturday June 2 meet at the Nankin Mills Administrative Office parking lot on Hines Drive east of Farmington road Geared toward tourist level rider but all ability levels welcome For details call Single Point Ministries office at Ward Church at (248) 374 5920 Note helmets must be worn

Car wash

Fundraiser for Girl Guard Troop noon to 4 pm Saturday June 2 at The Salvation Army 2300 Venoy between Michigan Ave and Palmer \$3 cars \$4 trucks/vans For details call (734) 722 3660

Texas Hold-em

Tournament 5 30 p m to midnight Saturday June 2 at St John Bosco Church 12170 Beech Daly Redford \$30 cash buy in first prize is \$500 Prizes prorated for smaller groups age 18 and over pre registration required 8 30 am to 330 pm (except for noon to 1 pm) Monday Friday Call (313) 937

Monthly dance

For Bethany Suburban West a Catholic organization providing peer support for the divorced and separated of all Christian faiths 8 pm to midnight (doors open at 730 pm) Saturday June 2 at Don Hubert VFW Hall 27345 Schoolcraft (I 96 service drive) east of Inkster road Redford All separated divorced and singles welcome. For details call (734) 261 5716

Worship service scheduled

The Free Church of Scotland (Continuing) holds its first Wednesday evening worship service 7 p m Wednesday June 6 at the Canton Twp Historical Museum on S. Canton Center Rd at the corner of Heritage Park Drive The Rev R Sherman Isbell and the Rev Sean Humby will preside An informational meeting will be held at the museum 7 p m Tuesday June 5 for those who have questions about the church For more information call Margaret Waldecker at (313) 530 6170 or go to

www.westminsterconfession.org Prayer series

How to spice up your prayer life includes Help! I Don't Have Time to Pray on June 7 Conversations with Jesus June 14 and Prayer Walking July 5 at 7 pm Thursdays at St James Presbyterian Church 25350 W Six Mile Redford Call (313) 534 7730

Rummage sale

10 am to 6 pm Thursday Friday June 78 and 9 a m to 2 p m Saturday June 9 in St Joseph Church parish hall 16101 Rotunda Dr Dearborn For details call (313) 593 4510 or (313) 336 3227

Italian night & auction

Cherry Hill United Methodist Church presents the first Italian Night & Auction Friday June 8 630 730 pm Dinner and Craft Show 730 pm Auction in the social hall at 321 S Ridge Road one block west of Cherry Hill Road Canton Come one come all Free dinner fun and a chance to sup port the church and its Habitat for Humanity Project Call and reserve

your spot at (734) 495 0035 Crosstalk

7 pm Friday June 8 in Knox Hall at Ward Presbyterian Church Northville Longtime Christian commentator and radio personality Duane Cuthbertson speaks on Healing Life's Hurts No cost or registration free childcare provided For details call Single Point Ministries office at Ward Church at (248) 374

Single Point bikına

10 a m Saturday June 9 meet at Kensington Metro Park exit 153 off 1 96 north 3 1/2 miles to farm center ride to Island Lake Geared toward tourist level rider but all ability levels wel come For details call Single Point Ministries office at Ward Church at (248) 374 5920 Note helmets must be worn

Baccalaureate Mass

And reception for Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Plymouth 4 p.m. Saturday June 9 at 47650 North Territorial at Beck All area high school and college graduates are invited to attend Graduates are to arrive in cap and gown and meet in the social half on the lower level of the church at 3 30 pm To register call (734) 453 0326

ext 243 or visit www olgcparish net and click on Life Teen to download response form

Outdoor fun

Meet at 645 pm Friday June 15 at Sportsway of Westland 38520 Ford road Fun filled evening of outdoor put ting batting cages and go kart racing Ticket price yet to be determined For details call Single Point Ministries office at Ward Church at (248) 374 5920

Single Point biking

10 a m Saturday June 16 meet at Willow Metro Park | 275 south to ext 11A (South Huron Road) east on Huron to the park entrance south to Washago Pond Geared toward touristlevel rider but all ability levels wel come For details call Single Point Ministries office at Ward Church at (248) 374 5920 Note helmets must be

Monthly breakfast meeting For Bethany Suburban West a Catholic organization providing peer support for the divorced and separated of all Christian faiths Saturday June 16 at Leon's Family Dining 30149 Ford road next to Tim Horton's Garden City All separated divorced and singles wel come For details call (734) 513 9479

Community garage sale 9 a m to 4 p m Saturday June 16 rent

parking spaces for \$20 each (money raised from your spot is yours to keep) a limited amount of tables will be available for an additional \$10 charge no weapon sales at The Salvation Army 2300 Venoy between Michigan Ave and Palmer For details call (734) 722 3660

Summer safety event

11 a m to 3 p m Saturday June 16 at The Lutheran Church of Our Saviour 29425 Annapolis Westland Westland Fire and Police department staffs talk about safety to kids No charge All invited For information call (734) 728

Father and Son dinner

4 6 p m June 16 Riverside Park Church of God sponsors a banquet for dads and their son Cost is \$10 per adult \$5 per child ages 5 12 age 4 and under free Cost includes a full dinner dessert and a free gift. Please register by June 13 at (734) 464 0990 The church is at 11771 Newburgh Road (cor ner of Plymouth Road) Livonia

Summer camp

The camps run 10 30 a m to 3 p m Monday Thursday June 18 to Aug 24 for students in grades K 8 at The Lutheran Church of Our Saviour 29425 Annapolis Westland Camps include Bible study literacy lessons field trips games activities No charge All invit

ed To register call (734) 728 3440 Vacation Bible School

630 830 pm Monday Friday June 18 22 at Memorial Church of Christ 35475 Five Mile Livonia The backvard of the church is being transformed into a Western town There will be some new aspects of the VBS this year including a live band and dinner beforehand. For more information call (734) 464 6722

Women's retreat St Michael Catholic Church of Livonia

invites all area Catholic moms to a Mom's Summer Retreat on Wednesday mornings this summer to enjoy prayer and adult discussion of topics relevant to their daily life A Children's Ministry will be offered while moms enjoy Mass a continental breakfast and conversa tion with other moms 8 30 11 a m June 20 July 11 July 18 Aug 1 and Aug 8 at the church located on the southwest corner of Hubbard and Plymouth roads Discussion topics are Everyday Prayer on June 20th Marriage July 11th Motherhood and Mary July 18 Teaching Your Children the Virtues Aug 1 and Living your Faith Every Day Aug 8 Moms may register for as few or as many sessions as schedules per mit each at \$5 per meeting Children's Ministry activities are \$2 per child per session Contact (734) 261 1455 ext 207 or e mail

swilliams@livonistmichaelorg for information and registration details Golf outing

St Aidan's Catholic Church Golf Outing Saturday June 23 (tee times begin at 9 40 a m) at Rolling Meadows Golf Club at N Territorial and Sutton roads Cost \$125 (due June 1) includes 18 holes of golf with cart, lunch catered by Thomas's of Livonia Hot dog chips and water given at turn. For informa tion call (248) 719 2535 (734) 748 1819 or (989) 400 7114

Tribute to the stars Capuchin Souper Summer Celebration

730 pm Saturday June 23 at Comerica Park Detroit For more infor mation call (313) 886 4600 or visit www.cskdetroit.org.or.www.ahee.com Sponsored by Edmund T Ahee Jewelers No admission but you must be 21 and older Dressy summertime attire required Raffle tickets can be purchased prior to event at Ahee Jewelers the Capuchin Soup Kitchen or at Comerica Park during event

Avalanche ranch

Vacation Bible School 9 a m to noon July 23 27 at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church 39020 Five Mile Livonia \$25 for first child (includes music CD \$20 each additional child (no CD) If you have western theme items we can bor row or for more information contact Laura Kloiber at (248) 348 9675 or send e mail to

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ROBERT MARK COLLOP

Age 79 of Wayne MI passed away

WILBUR ADAM

GRIMES SR

May 29 2007 Uht Funeral Home

85 of Fairview & Wayne MI died

DAISY S. JANKE

May 26 2007 age 93 Formerly of Birmingham MI and Homosassa FL

Beloved wife of the late Kenneth K

Burgess Barb (Don) Renton Phil

(Linda) Janke Kenneth Janke and Mary (Bill) Blacklock Grandmother

to twelve grandchildren and three great grandchildren Well remembered

as an elementary teacher in Birming

ham Public Schools an active partici

pant in the churches she attended and

a genuinely caring positive person toward all A Celebration of Life serv

ice will take place in Boyne Falls MI

at the Lake Louise Methodist Chapel

Saturday June 23 at 1p m Memorial contributions to the Lake Louise

Methodist Camp Waterfront Fund

First United Methodist Church of

Homosassa FL or hospice of your

MARJORY JACKSON LEVIN

Age 81 passed away from lung cancer on May 25, 2007 at her residence in

Birmingham Born in Worcester Mass Preceded by her husband Dr

Herbert G Levin in October 1981

Survived by daughter Jane (David)

Akıba, sons Dr Robert Levin and

Johnathan (Nancy) Levin and sister Ruth (Terry) Henderson Also sur

vived by seven grandchildren Marjory

graduated with a Bachelor of Arts

Degree from University of Michigan

She was a journalist with Detroit Free

Press for 13 years also wrote for

McCalls and Ladies Home Journal

member of American Society for

Journalists & Authors past President

of Detroit Women Writers Founding Director Michigan Chapter of National

Organization of Women Founding

Director of Michigan Citizens for

Handgun Control Services were held Sunday May 27 2007 at The Ira Kaufman Chapel 18325 W 9 Mile

Southfield Interment at Beth El

choice would be appreciated

Loving mother of Linda

May 26 2007 Uht Funeral Home

DOROTHA K FORSYTH Age 91 died May 27 2007 at her res idence in High Point NC She was born in Russell AK to the late Fred and Dora Lampton Knupp She was a former resident of Plymouth MI Mrs Forsyth was preceded in death by her husband Robert Forsyth She is sur daughters Carolynn Crowther of right Found Linda Larrs of Naples FL five grand Children Tamara Drake Scott Crowther of High Point NC and Birckelbaw Carrie Powell and hus band Brett Tracy Crother and Brett Crowther and four great grandchil dren Cumby Family Funeral Service High Point NC is assisting the fami ly Online condolences may be submit ted through www cumbyfuneral com

MURIEL LORING Age 60 of Pleasant Ridge formerly of Southfield died Thursday May 24 2007 Muriel was a graduate of Beaver Country Day School in Boston Massachusetts a debutante in 1965 1966 and a member of the Monthly Ladies Texas Hold em Poker Club She is survived by her step daughters Kimberly (Mike) Dunseith and Stacey (Joe) Wiatrak step grandchildren Rachel Dunseith and Benjamin Wiatrak and brother Edward Loring Ir Predeceased by special friend Glenn LeBlanc Family will receive friends Saturday 9am until time of Memorial Service 12 noon at Spaulding & Curtin Funeral Directors 500 W Nine Mile Rd Ferndale Memorial contri butions to Leader Dogs for the Blind www spauldingcurtin com

BETTE LEE STAGGERS

Of Birmingham died Tuesday May 22 2007 She was born on April 8 1921 in Grafton West Virginia the only child of Robert Clark and her beloved mother Frances Nel Heflin Clark (later Burrows) She is survived by her loving husband of 63 years. Theodore R Staggers her daughter Kimberly Blanchard and her grandchildren Charlie and Ginny Blanchard Her son Stephen Staggers predeceased her Bette served her country in the War Department in Washington D C while Ted was stationed overseas dur ing World War II After the war they moved to Birmingham and raised a family Bette was a great cook, a ter rific hostess and loved company She and Ted had many wonderful close friends She was lovely vivacious and beautiful to the end of her well lived life and will be missed by all who knew her A memorial service will be held at the First Baptist Church in Birmingham at 10 00 a m on Saturday June 2 2007



CATHERINE HAEFNER SPINNING

of Deerfield Township formerly an 81 year resident of Birmingham and Bloomfield Township passed away Friday May 25 2007 at her cabin sur rounded by her loved ones Katy was born February 20 1922 in Detroit MI to Clyde and Aileen Haefner She was predeceased by her husband of 45 years William H spinning son Robert L and Daughter Carol S Luedecke She is survived by daughter Mary S Shier William H grand children Andy and Scott Luedecke Jonathan Amy and Sarah Shier Elle and Chase Spinning and two special sons in law John E Luedecke and J Patrick Shier She leaves sister in law Lois Haefner and her nieces Gail and Hope nephew James She also leaves a nephew Gary Casey of Clarkston and two nieces Kristin and Casey Smith Katy attended Wing Lake School Baldwin High School Class of 1939 attended Smith College and Katherine Gibbs Secretarial School She married her high school sweetheart William H Spinning, upon his escape from behind enemy lines in occupied France in 1944 That led to a lifelong involve ment in the Air Force Escape and Evasion Society After her children were raised Katy helped her husband un his advertising firm R C Spinning Advertising Katy belonged to the Village Players The Village Club and was a staunch Republican She was past president of The Republican Women's Club of Oakland County She volunteered as a Brownie and Girl Scout leader and at various shelters in Pontiac She was an avid sports woman She loved to play golf hunt fish play tennis bowl and ride horses She also was an avid bridge player and loved to travel In heu of flowers please donate to the charity of your choice or to the Deerfield Township Park 30 Burnside Rd North Branch MI 48461 A celebration of Katy's life will be held Saturday August 18 2007 2 00 p m at the cabin Arrangements by Muir Brothers Funeral Home Lapeer 810 664 8111

JOHN W. MATTEIS

Age 88 May 28 2007 Beloved hus band of the late Irene I Matters Dear father of Donna Matters and Jonelle (Paul) Dankert Dear grandfather of James Rebecca Rachel Elizabeth and Margaret Dankert and Brandon and Kristen Nuyen Brother of Hedy Brandt Alvina Renner and the late Henry Matteis Funeral services were held on Thursday at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church of Livonia Arrangements entrusted to the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home of Plymouth

WILLIAM EDWARD

HERBERT Age 80, passed May 23 Beloved husband of Donna for 57 years Loving father of Patricia (Bruce) Beck and Bill (Susan) Dear grandfa ther of six and great grandfather of three grandsons After retiring as a photo engraver he enjoyed being a stater at Glenhurst Golf Course A member of the Redford Elks and FW Hubert Post 345 Proud veteran WWII He loved the game of golf a dry martini and a good laugh He will be missed terribly A memorial service will be held Saturday June 2 at 2 pm at Charles Step Funeral 18425 Beech Daly (btwn 6 9 Mile) Memorial contributions to the

VIRGINIA "JINNY" WAGLEY

American Lung Association appreci

Age 81 and formerly of Birmingham passed away May 25 2007 in Grand Rapids She was preceded in death by her husband Vance Jinny is survived by her children Ann and Don Bont of Newaygo Rob and Judy Wagley of and Leigh and MacCready of Jackson grandchildren Michael and Mark Wagley Julie Ian and Paige MacCready her brother and sister in law Jon and Julie Eddy and many friends A service to cele brate Jinny's life will be held on Sunday June 3 at 4 PM at Covenant Village of the Great Lakes 2510 Lake Michigan Drive NW in Grand Rapids For those who wish memorial contri butions to either Hospice of Michigan of to Covenant V "age for the" Activity Fund are appreciated Visit Memorial Park in Livonia www lifestorynet com to read more about Jinny's life share a favorite photo or memory or to sign the online



LLOYD LINDSEY HALSTEAD

Age 76 died May 26 2007 at home surrounded by his wife of 55 years Joanne and his six children following an 8 month battle with liver and lung cancer Born in Wellston MI Lindsey was educated in the Wyandotte Public School system where he met Joanne in high school He graduated from the University of Michigan and immedi ately began work for Ford Motor Company Shortly after he served with the US Army in Trieste and Livorno Italy He then returned to Detroit where he continued a career of 41 years with Ford Mr Halstead served as a senior executive with the international organization where his assignments took him and his family across the globe from Dearborn MI to Canada Argentina Brazil Mexico and England He completed his career as the Chairman of Ford of Europe Upon retirement in Naples, Florida, he became very active in his community serving such organizations as The Moorings Presbyterian Church Habitat for Humanity Greater Naples Leadership The Conservancy of S W FL and The Forum Club Lindsey was the loving husband of Joanne Lodge Halstead and caring father to six chil John Halstead Platt Julie Halstead Fetchko Mark Halstead, Eric Halstead Matthew Halstead Susan Halstead Morgan and their He was a grandfather to spouses Alexandra Christian and Joshua Platt. Robby Johnny and Michael Fetchko Spencer and Sydney Halstead Alex and Samuel Aldea Halstead Ryan Halstead Samantha Will and Lauren Morgan He is also survived by his brother Maurice Halstead his sister ın law Barbara Alexander and many nieces and nephews A memorial serv ice in celebration of Lindsey's life will be held at The Moorings Presbyterian Church on Saturday June 2nd at 12 30 pm A reception will follow at The Naples Yacht Club In heu of flowers a donation in his name may be sent to

The Moorings Presbyterian Church 791 Harbour Drive Naples FL 34103

or Habitat for Humanity of Collier

County Inc 11145 Tamiami Trail

East Naples FL 34113

GRETCHEN ANN HOLWIG

Age 83 formerly of Eaton Rapids and Livonia Michigan died Saturday May 26th 2007 after a long respirato illness Born to Lloyd Land Iva E (Wilcox) Carr at Fort Dodge in Dodge City Kansas on August 9 1923 Orphaned at the age of 11 she and her brothers, Bill Bennie and Bruce Carr relocated to the Veterans of Foreign Wars National Home in Eaton Rapids After graduating from Eaton Rapids High School class of 1941 she attended the University of Kansas School of Medicine graduating in 1946 and returned to work at the VFW Hospital and the local Eaton Rapids Hospital She met and married Guy M Holwig of Brookfield Twp Eaton Rapids on August 6, 1949 Her and Guy with their two children relocated to Livonia where she continued her 40 year career as a Registered Nurse at St Mary's Mercy and Garden City Hospitals where she managed the kidney dialysis units and worked in surgery She was preceded in death by her husband of 52 years Guy H Holwig in 2001 with whom she enjoyed life to the fullest and experienced travels throughout the Canada, Hawaii China and Amazon jungles of Venezuela She and Guy were active in the Livonia Community as original founding mem bers of the Livonia YMCA and team nurse for the Livonia Junior Athletic League along with her husband during his 16 year tenure as LJAL league President as well as members of the Livonia Elks Club They both were avid outdoor enthusiasts enjoying snowmobiling fishing and golfing as members of the Alpena Country Club After retirement in 1986 they moved to their home on Beaver Lake Michigan Gretchen is survived by her two sons William Martin (Christine Carol) Holwig Bennie Paul (Colleen Ann) of Livonia her grandchildren William Guy Holwig Julie C Potvin and Michael E Potvin She was deeply loved by many friends and family and she will be missed by all of us Funeral Services will be held at the Skinner Funeral home at 315 S River Street, Eaton Rapids MI Visitation will be Wednesday May 30 from 2 4 and 6 8 Funeral services will be Thursday May 31 at 1 00 PM Internment will follow at the Oakwood Cemetery in

four grandchildren Natalie Welch and Katherine Bushnell Bill s honor may be made to Eagle www eaglevillage org A Memorial Service will take place for Bill on Thursday May 31 2007 at The First Presbyterian Church in Elk Rapids at the Reynolds Jonkhoff Funeral Home www reynolds jonkhoff com Eaton Rapids For online condolences go to www skinnerfuneralhome com

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Anniversary Mass 50th anniversary of Fr Solanus Casey's death 5 pm Saturday July 28 and 9 am 11 am and 130 pm Sunday July 29 at St Bonaventure/Solanus Casev Center 1780 Mt Elliott Detroit For infor mation call (313) 579 2100 ext 140 or ext 169 Cruise

St Aidan Travelers embark on an 11 day cruise of the Mediterranean on Nov 3 Cruise departs Rome for Genoa Monte Carlo Valencia Spain LaValletta Malta Tunis Tunisia returns to Rome for two additional days. Cost is reasonable and includes airfare many meals and all accommo dations For brochure and details call (734) 425 5950 or stop at church office 17500 Farmington

Livonia Space limited Crafters wanted

St Aidan Catholic Parish in Livonia is hosting a craft show to raise funds for their youth for their pilgrimage to Sidney Australia for World Youth Day in 2008 Crafters are needed for a show 9 30 am to 4 pm Saturday Nov 10 at Monsignor Brunett Activity Center 17500 Farmington Road

north of Six Mile Livonia Save your table today Call Ruth McCarthy for an application (734) 464 5973

Uplifting church services

Want a unique church experience? Join us Sunday mornings at 10 45 a m for a serv ce that will lift your entire family but be prepared for what will happen after just one service. Can t wait for Sunday? Come to our open discussion 7 pm Wednesdays as we examine the Word of God Classes available for all ages child to adult Riverside Park Church of God is at 11771 Newburgh Road (corner of Plymouth Road) Livonia Call (734) 464 0990

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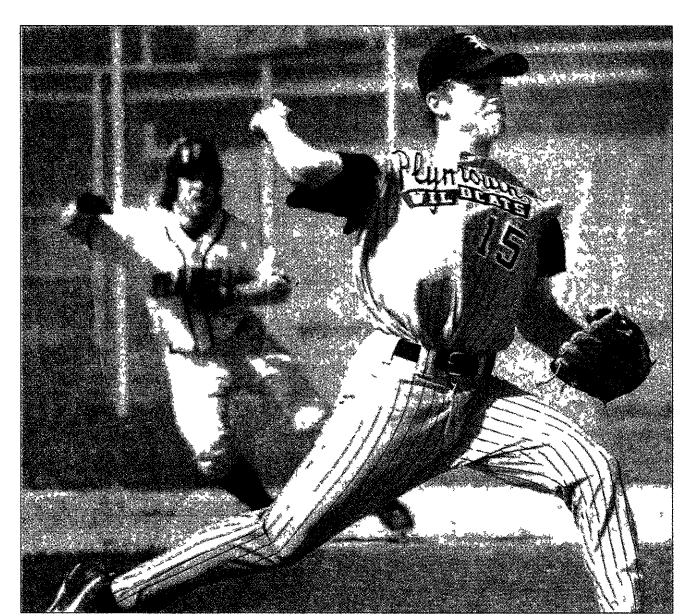
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Plymouth pitcher Brad Lineberry, pictured in a game earlier this year earned the victory in the Wildcats 11-7 win over Livonia Stevenson Tuesday afternoon in a Division 1 pre-District contest at Stevenson

Onward and upward

Wildcats advance to District semifinals

BY ED WRIGHT

Someday soon, Plymouth's baseball team may present head coach Chuck Adams with a no-sweat, easy-does-it victory - but he s not holding his breath

The suddenly peaking Wildcats took their high-wire act to Livonia Stevenson Tuesday afternoon and upended the host Spartans, 11-7, in a Division I pre-District contest that wasn't decided until All-WLAA Stevenson outfielder Luke Knochel struck out with the bases loaded in the top of the seventh inning

The Wildcats first-ever Division 1 District tournament victory propelled them into Saturday's noon semifinal showdown against cross-campus rival Salem at

The other semi at 10 a m will pit Canton against Livonia Churchill The championship showdown is slated to begin at 3 p m

We don't ever make it easy on ourselves, said Adams, with a hearty laugh, just moments after his teams historic win "Like I always say, 'Nothing ever comes easy for the 'Cats

"It's our first District win at the varsity level, so obviously it's a big win. But we also look at it as just a first step toward trying to win this District. We feel like we're as

3 OUT OF 4 AIN'T BAD

Plymouth-Canton Educational Parks schools represent three of the four remaining teams in the Division 1 District baseball tournament Saturday at Livonia Stevenson High school Following are the remaining match-ups

- **10 a.m.** Canton will take on Livonia Churchill in one semifinal game,
- 12:30 p.m. Plymouth will take on Salem in another semifinal game,
- 3 p.m The two semifinal winners will face off in the title contest. The championship will move on to next Saturday's Regional at Novi High School

good as anybody else in the District and that we can compete with all the other teams Its not like were a Cinderella story here

PLEASE SEE WILDCATS, B2

Canton girls top Pioneer in team effort

BY ED WRIGHT

The No 6-ranked Ann Arbor Pioneer girls soccer team's hopes of a 2007 state title were deep-sixed by Canton Tuesday night in a Division 1 pre-District contest played on the P-CEP soccer field

The Pioneers had dominated the up-andcoming Chiefs 4-0 earlier in the season

"We did a great job of adjusting to Pioneer's strengths,' said Canton coach George Tomasso, whose teams record improved to 11-4-3 "It was a great effort by the entire team"

Canton senior goal-tender Bree Bellovary was outstanding between the pipes for the winners as she made at least seven saves, Tomasso estimated It's the best game she's played in a while

Offensively, senior captain Becci Houdek to the Chiefs on the board in the first half while Jessica Trost got the game-winner in the sec-

"Offensively, we scored off a penalty kick and a rebound shot," said Tomasso Defensively, we played with a lot of heart'

The Chiefs will now play Garden City in a District semifinal game today at 6 p m at home A victory will propel the Chiefs into Friday's title contest against Ann Arbor Huron

Canton, which improved to 11-4-3, has now upended two top-10 teams Two weeks ago, the Chiefs surprised No 7-ranked Northville to earn a second-place showing in the WLAA's Western Division

PCA betters record

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth Christian Academy baseball team seems to be getting hot at the right time

The Eagles improved their record to 8 10 Tuesday with a convincing 9-2 victory over Ann Arbor Greenhills The winners plated three runs in the first inning and never looked back Junior Trevor Zinn contributed a two run double and run scored in the pivotal inning

PCA scored five runs in the fourth and sent 10 batters to the plate Among the big hitters in that inning were

Kevin Bottorff, Chuck Cain and Devyn Govan Reid Barber, Devyn Govan and Justin Govan also enjoyed productive offense games for the Eagles, who will open their Division 4 District tournament this weekend at home when they host Ypsılantı Calvary Christian

AGAPE 17, YPSI CC On Tuesday, the Wolverines scored six runs in the third, five in the fourth, four in the sixth and two in the seventh to rout Calvary Christian The win improved Agape to 10 4 Daniel Walker carried a big stick for the winners as he went 4-for-4 with four runs scored and two RBI Brandon Pierson went 3for-5 with three runs scored and two RBI

Jared Miller also had a big game at the plate, going 3-for-5 with two runs scored Tyler Majeski hurled a complete game on the mound for the Wolvennes

MU adds golfers Madonna University

head men's golf coach Steve Mato has announced the signing of local standouts including Austin Stillman (Livonia Franklin) and Josh Brist (Livonia Churchill) for the 2007-08 season

Stillman, a Division I state qualifier and All-Observer first-team selection, joins the Crusaders next season with a great deal of tournament experience He was the Patriots' first state qualifier in over 20 years

"Austin has a positive attitude in everything he does and this is reflected in his golf game," Mato said "He has an excellent short game and a very good putter and has recently added some distance to his game"

Brist, who halls from Westland, is described as a hard-working individual He earned third-team All Observer

Josh has a very good golf swing with a great amount of potential," Mato said "I feel he will be a valuable contributor to the Madonna golf team in the near future"

MU links scholars

A pair of Madonna golfers were named to the 2007 Daktronics Scholar-Athlete team in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA)

Seniors Kassi Jacob and Lisa Rodriguez were both honored for their achievements on and off the course

Jacob a marketing major from Gaylor St Mary s, and Rodriguez, an English and speech communication major with a minor in television and video communication from Farmington Hills, were named to the squad after carrying a 3 5 cumulative grade point average or higher this season

Injury prevention presentation

High school cross country runners and their parents are invited to attend an injury prevention presentation, 'Common Overuse injuries with Runners, 7-8 pm on Thursday, June 7, in Canton High School's **Dubois Little Theater**

The program will be presented by Glenn Edgerton, head athletic trainer at Canton High For information contact Cindy Hoerman at (734) 454-5746 or crh3d@aol com

Football testing The Michigan High

School Football Coaches Association will sponsor a session of the National Athletic Testing System program Sunday, June 3, at South Lyon High School Information is provided on NATS Web site (www nats us) covering NCAA eligibility guidelines, recruiting rules and financial aid An online video is available

Rain doesn't dampen **Canton Cup tourney**

STAFF WRITER

Raindrops kept falling on their heads, but that didn t stop the thousands of youth soccer players from having a ball at the 25th Annual Canton Cup Soccer Tournament Memorial Day weekend in "It probably rained about 60 percent

of the time and we had one lightning

delay, but all of the games were played and - considering the weather - everything went very smoothly," said Tournament Director John Vaughn A record 510 teams from as far away at Toronto and Erie, Penn converged on Canton Township for the annual three-

day soccer extravaganza that injects

thousands upon thousands of dollars

into the local economy "I went into Tim Horton's Saturday morning and they thanked me for all of the business the tournament was bringing into their store," said Greg Sanders, of the tournaments directors

Considering the rain, we stayed pretty much right on schedule and all the final games were played at Independence

The first-of-its-kind Professional



Development League game between the Michigan Bucks and the Chicago Fire Premier was a huge success, according to the tournament's directors

'The crowd for that game was probably about 1,500, which was outstanding, said Sanders

What was neat about that game was that there was a U14 girls game going on right next to the Bucks game and there was a U10 game on the other field next to it, so it was like it was part of the tournament, said Vaughn "We definitely looking into making the Bucks' game an annual event at the tournament

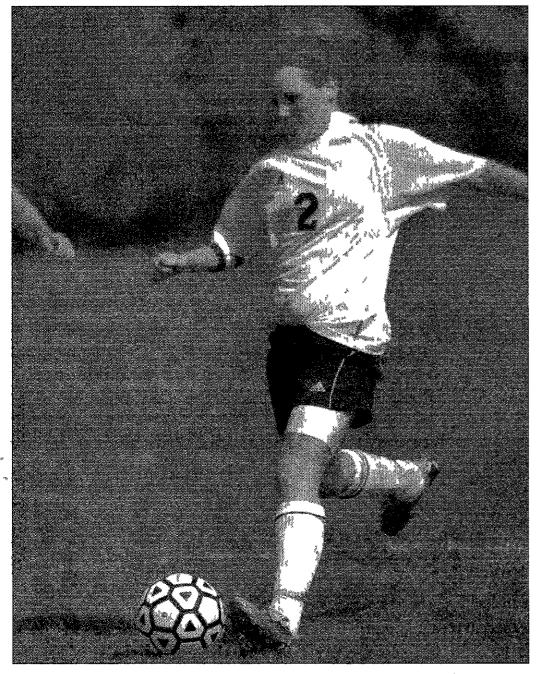
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Canton Celtic Brandon Burt displays his ball-handling skills Friday night during a game at

Independence Park



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She can see Cleary now...

Karen Cleary scored Plymouth Christian Academy's third goal of the first half Tuesday in the Eagle's 10 0 trouncing of Ypsilanti Calvary Christian PCA is currently ranked third in Division 4

Cats outslug Spartans in D1 opener

On Tuesday in a pre District game played at Livonia Stevenson Kım Klonowski went 2 for 3 with a solo homer in the fourth inning to propel the Wildcats (23 5) to a 9 2 Division I pre district triumph Tuesday over host Stevenson (19

Erin Rodes contributed two hits including a key two run sin gle in the bottom of the sixth inning to spark a six run

Plymouth rally The Wildcats who led 3 1

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through five innings also took advantage two of Stevenson's four errors on the afternoon during the six run sixth

We kind of fell apart defensive ly and let the pressure get to us Stevenson coach Rob Witherspoon said They had runners on first and second when we made an error and the wheels came off

Plymouth is not the type of team where you can make too many mistakes against Winning pitcher Meghan

Patterson limited the WLAA champions to just four hits She struck out four and walked two

Losing pitcher Jamie Johnson gave up six hits walked two and struck out four Six of the nine runs were earned

Amanda Paison had an RBI dou ble for the Spartans in the seventh 'We waited until the sixth and sev

enth (innings) to hit the ball Witherspoon said It was a big game and it was pretty tense to start off

WILDCATS

FROM PAGE B1

If we play our game and catch the ball, we can play with anybody in this District at least that's the way I look at it'

The odds – and history were stacked against the Wildcats heading into Tuesdays pre-district battle Their 14-14-1 record paled in comparison to the Spartans' 20-11 mark and they had lost two previous match-ups against Stevenson starting pitcher Matt Tuttle a 6-foot-7 flame-thrower who will be pitching at Adrian College beginning in the fall

Plus, there was that O for Districts dry spell staring them in the face

But Plymouth played confidently from the opening pitch and build a 4 0 advantage in the second inning thanks to a pair of walks, a hit batsman an error and a clutch two-run single from Ben Kosmalski

'We felt the third time against (Tuttle) would be the charm," said Adams 'He beat us two weeks ago and then last week in the cross-over, but we committed a lot of big physical

"In our last game, we was high on a lot of his pitches and he threw 146 pitches so we took a lot of first pitch strikes In our big second inning, I think he threw about 60 pitches and he was having a hard time finding the zone

The Spartans countered with two runs in the top of the third on Nick Plank's two-run single - his second of three hits for the game

The Wildcats regained their four-run cushion in the bottom of the third when Garret Regain walked, Stephen Ostrowski walked, Matt Skubick advanced them to second and third with a sacrifice bunt and Valle drilled a deep sacrifice fly to center field Junior lead-off batter David Harvey made it 6-2 when he singled in Ostrowski with his second of four hits for the game

Tuttle departed the game after hitting Ostrowski with a

The resilient, Spartans put a three-spot on the board in the fourth on a two-run double by Knochel and an RBI groundout from Sam Vomastek

Plymouth upped its lead to 8 5 in the fifth thanks to an RBI double by Harvey They added three more in the sixth on a hit from winning pitcher Brad Lineberry, a walk to

Rebain, a walk to Matt Skubick a Valle RBI groundout and an RBI single from Harvey

Stevenson inched to within 11-7 on Dan Rozeks two run double and they eventually loaded the bases with two outs before Lineberry struck out Knochel whose one-strike shot down the right field line on the previous pitch was just foul

Lineberry tossed a completegame nine-hitter, striking out four The Spartans went down in order in just the first inning

Plymouth played well and we didn t - my hat is off to them, said Stevenson coach Rick Berryman 'They did the ball hard and did what they needed to do, and we didn't Our starting pitcher was 8-0 coming into the game, but they scored their first four runs without a hit thanks to a hitby-pitch, an error and a couple free passes When you do that in a game like this, it's not going to work out too well

We kept battling, though My compliments go out to my kids because they never gave up to the end Im just sorry my seniors high school careers had to end like this

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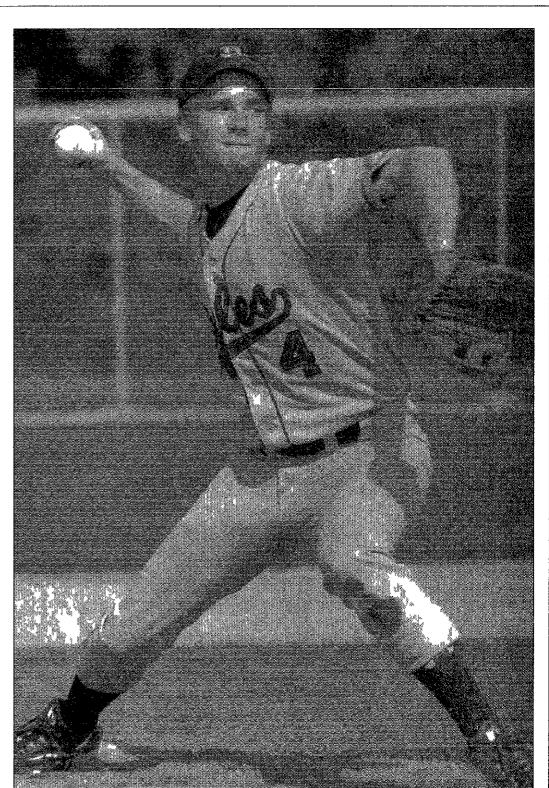
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Game victory

Plymouth Christian Academy junior pitcher Trevor Zinn threw a complete-game victory over Ann Arbor Greenhills for PCA Tuesday afternoon

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TOURNEY

FROM PAGE B1

Vaughn praised the hard work and dedication of his volunteer staff, which was headed by Sanders, Rick Caron and Greg Jahn Vaughn also wanted to give a pat on the back to field coordinator Art Gausewitz

I do a lot of the organizational stuff, but its the volunteers that make the show run'

Vaughn said the event wouldnt run as smoothly as it does with the assistance of its marquee sponsor, Meyer

They donate so much stuff that make this one of the premier tournaments in the Midwest he said

If you thing this years tournament was large, wait until 2008 when the Canton Cup planning committee is looking to expand the tournament to 600 teams

We had about 10,000 play ers and 850 games, but there s room for more, said Vaughn

Vaughn said this year's tour nament ended on a unique note that could become a tradition

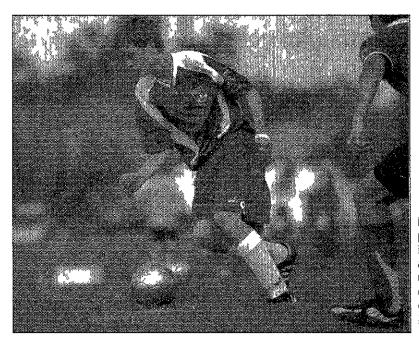
We were transporting a player back who had a broken collar bone and there was one final game left, said Vaughn So we call for all the carts to come over to the final game and line up until it was over We may start doing that at every tournament in the future

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Canton SC Keenmon's Savannah Byrd converts a throw in





Plymouth Kick player Joe Backstanz advances the ball upfield during a game Friday evening in the 25th Canton Cup.

Canton SC Volcanoes player Raya Patel (2) and Canton SC Keenmon's Maggie Yin battle for a ball in Friday s game at Independence Park in Canton Township

CANTON CUP STATISTICS

2007 Canton Cup Final Game Results BOYS RESULTS U9 Blue: Saline Sting Black 2 PASS

U9 Red SCOR Red 3 MI Ruch Swoosh 1 U9 Green. Canton Celtic 99 Red 8 SCOR White 1 U9 Orange PASS Impact 3, MAgic Black 99 2 U10 RED BASC Turbos Red 4, Ann Arbor Arsenal White 2 U10 Green ROYSA Renegades 97 White 3 Carpathia Kickers 97 Gold 2 U10 Orange Canton Celtic 98 Red 1 Tri Country Sting 0 U10 Yellow BUFC Mavericks 4 BYSA Force 97 White 2 Force 97 White 2 U10 Purple Lincoln Dragons 11, Taylor Warriors Elite Fc 5 U9/10 WHITE: Canton SC Wings 2,Canton SC Thunderbirds 1 U11 BLUE: CW3 xtreme 96 Red 4 Canton Celtic 96 Red U11 RED: Michigan Athletic 96 6 BUFC Mavericks 3 U11 GREEN: Farmington Flash Black 3 NMSC Dynamite 2 U11 ORANGE PASS Impact 5, Howell Revolution Red 4
U11 YELLOW: SCOR U-11 Bloch 2,
Canton SC Tornados 0
U11 WHITE. Firestone Park SC
Stingrays 1, Monroe United 0
U12 BLUE: Pass Impact 3 Michigan
Wolves 95 Gold, 1
U12 RED: Portage Lightning 8,
Berkley Force 0
U12 Green: PASS Impact 3. Clevelan

U12 Green: PASS Impact 3, Cleveland Blues SC 1 U12 ORANGE: Hartland Storm 2 Cougars 1 U12 WHITE. HVSC Typhoons 3 Plymouth Blue Barrons 2 U13 BLUE: Canton Celtic 94 Red 2

SCOR U 13 2 U13 GREEN: HVSC Storm 94 Green 6 Lapeer Renegades 3 U13 ORANGE: TSC Arsenal 4 Waza FC U13 WHITE: Livonia Cyclones 4
Farmington SC Force 0
U14 BLUE: Canton Celtic 93 White 2 Carpathia Kickers 1 U14 RED: NMSC T-Birds 1 Windsor Caboto Strikers 0 U14 GREEN: Saline Strike Force 2 GPSA Salvo 1
U14 YELLOW GRASA Magic White 2
MAdison Meteors 1
U14 WHITE: Livonia Rockets 1 Canton SC Crew 0
U15 RED: Flint Steelers ARsenal 5 MI
Rush South Nike 0
U16 BLUE: Ann Arbor United Huskies
5, Plymouth Kicks 91 Green 1
U16 RED. Carpathia Kickers 2
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GIRL RESULTS
U9 BLUE: Canton Celtic 98 Red 3
CW3 Extreme 98 Red 0
U9 RED: Hudson United U9 Red 2
Canton Celtic 99 Red 1
U9 GREEN: NW Screaming Eagles
U7/8/9 2 Hartland Exgles Blue 1
U9 WHITE: Canto SC Klavon 2 Lincoln
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U11 ORANGE NW Screaming Eagles 1
Erie FC 11s 0
U11 YELLOW: Lincoln SC Lightnin 3
Canton SC Bombers 0
U11 WHITE: Northville United 2
Canton SC High Fivers 1
U12 BLUE: Cleveland Blues SC 4 CW3
Extreme 95 Red 2
U12 RED: Howell Revolution 2 NW
Screaming Fagles 1 Screaming Eagles 1

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Canton Celtic 95 White 2

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Kai Walther (4) and Alex Tramel (14) celebrate Tramel s goal during a Friday game at the 25th Annual Canton Cup soccer tournament that was held over Memorial Day weekend

Offensive fireworks spark Churchill-Franklin slugfest

Observer & Eccentric | Thursday May 31 2007

STAFF WRITER

A slow-pitch softball score broke out at Tuesday's Livonia Churchill-Livonia Franklin pre-district baseball game at Livonia Stevenson

When the dust had cleared and the scoreboards lightbulbs were restored, the Chargers had prevailed, 16-15, in a game that resembled one you'd see at Hines Park on a Sunday after-

Churchill's record is 16-15 overall, while Franklin bows out at 7-22

The exciting - although at times sloppy - triumph earned coach Ron Targosz's squad a berth in Saturday's Division 1 District I semifinal showdown against Canton, which drew a first-round bye The first pitch is slated to be thrown at 10

am sharp "That was one of the ugliest games I've ever seen, said

Targosz, flashing a broad grin following is team's come-frombehind triumph in the bottom of the seventh "We were ahead 12-5 then they started hitting the ball and we started booting it I think we had five errors today It was an ugly game It times it seemed like we were playing slow-pitch softball"

Sophomore southpaw James Tyler earned the win for the Chargers after working the final 1 2 innings He yielded just one hit and struck out two in his clutch performance

Tyler Cotter paced the winners' hitting attack with three hits, two runs scored and a pair of RBI Tyler Bledsoe (4-for-4, three runs) and Mike O'Keefe (3-for-5, two runs) powered the winners' 16-run attack

The Patriots trailed 14-12 in the bottom of the sixth - when with one out and the bases loaded - Anthony Andrus drilled a two-run single to knot the game at 14-all Franklin

grabbed its final lead when Tyler Canyock singled in Andrus, who had advanced to third on a wild pitch

James Tyler then entered the game and got the next two batters to strike out and fly out

Churchill regained the lead in the top of the seventh when lead-off batter Kirk Ciarrocchi was hit by a pitch, advance to second on Tyler Bledsoe's sıngle and third on a passed ball He then scored on Eric Mitchell's single The eventual game-winner was plated when Steve Jones' groundout scored Bledsoe

James Tyler was stellar in the bottom of the seventh, retiring all three batters he faced, the last on a strikeout

'We don't really have a No 1 pitcher and we don't have stopper, but we have a lot of kids who can do the job when they need to, Targosz said

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Brittany Hengesh Sr., Plymouth
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FINAL DIVISION STANDINGS
Lakes: 1 Churcill, 8-0-2 2 Stevenson, 6-3-1, 3 W L Central, 5-2-3, 4 W L Northern, 5-4-1, 5 Salem, 2-7-1, 6 John Glenn, 0-10
Western: 1 Northville, 8-1-1 2 Canton, 7-1-2, 3 Plymouth

Western: 1 Northville, 8-1-1 2 Canton, 7-1-2, 3 Plymouth 6-1-3, 4 Franklin, 3-6-1, 5 W L Western, 1-8-1, 6 Wayne, 1-

WLAA CHAMPIONSHIP Churchill 1, Northville 0

Kangas silences Zebras' bats

BY BRAD EMONS STAFF WRITER

It was an old-fashioned pitchers duel Tuesday between a pair of juniors in the opening round of the Division 1 state baseball tournament

And when the dust cleared, Westland John Glenn emerged the victor thanks to the two-hit performance of lefty Chris Kangas, who also delivered the game-winning RBI in the top of the fifth inning to beat host Wayne Memorial, 2-1

Glenn improved to 13-17 overall with the victory and advances to Friday's district semifinal to play Belleville Game time is 10 a m at Wayne

Kangas had pin-point control to keep the Zebra batters off-balance He struck out 10 and walked only one He also picked off a Wayne runner at first in the sixth inning

Chris hit his spots, he had command of all his pitches and only walked one - he did a great job," Glenn coach Matt Howton said "It was probably his best outing (this season) He had a similar game against Walled Lake Central (a 2-1 vic-

Losing pitcher Ryan Collop also pitched a gem. The righthander allowed just three hits, walked two, hit a batter and struck out five

'Collop also pitched well,' Howton said "He's going to be something He had good speed The Zebras answered with their only run in the bottom of the fourth when Brent Patterson reached base on Glenn's only error of the game before eventually coming home on Jon Bryant's RBI groundout.

well and battled through adversity the whole game'

Glenn took a 1-0 lead in the top of the third when sophomore Andrew DeLuca doubled, went to third on a wild pitch, and scored on a Wayne infield error off the bat of Jerry

The Zebras answered with their only run in the bottom of the fourth when Brent Patterson reached base on Glenn's only error of the game before eventually coming home on Jon Bryant's RBI ground-

In the bottom of the fifth, Jake Murawskı drew a walk and took second on Jeff Girgen's sacrifice bunt DeLuca was hit by a pitch and Smith blooped a single to center field loading the bases

Kangas then came through with a sacrifice fly to break the 1-all deadlock.

"We're hot and cold with the

we played good defense and got some timely hitting like Kangas s (RBI) sacrifice fly When you're not hitting, you need other other things in your game to come through, and they did'

Waynes season ended at 9-21 overall, but there is hope for the future

"Hıs (Collop's) pıtchıng was outstanding, Wayne coach Frank Garcia said "If he gets a little stronger, he'll play college because he knows how to pitch"

The Wayne coach, however, tipped his cap to the Glenn left-hander

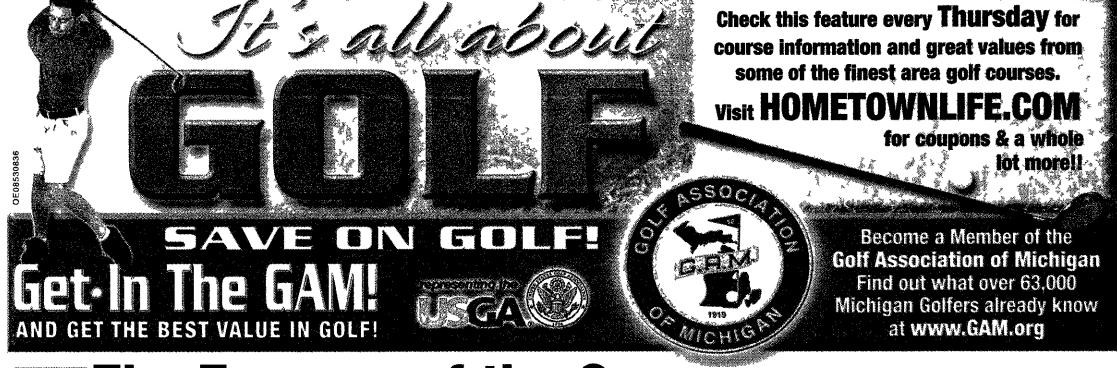
"We knew what he was going to throw - strikes away," Garcia said of Kangas "He did what he had to do to get us out We wanted to go to the opposite field He hit the outside corner so well and he got a little extra on it He threw strikes, but I thought overall we went with the pitch pretty well

'I can't be too disappointed, though I thought overall we played a good game"

Glenn, meanwhile, stays alive in the state tournament and Howton was unsure whether Kangas would get the start again with only two days

"We can throw him if he's ready the fifth-year coach said 'We ll throw him if he's ready If it's on Saturday like it should have been, we'd have him out there for sure"





The Essence of power carts The reason is money

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By Jeff Lesson

Whatever happened to walking 18 holes? Unfortunately that experience has mostly gone by the wayside Sure, the option is sometimes there especially at private clubs But courses often do everything they can to steer you and your group to taking

Power cart rental are a huge part of revenue for most courses They are even more important now in these challenging times when courses try to squeeze every last dollar they can out of revenue sources And when golfer choose to walk with or without a caddy the course loses revenue from cart rental

Many upscale public courses don t allow walking at anytime This is especially true in

Northern Michigan, where greens and tees are so far apart one can only navigate the course with a cart Of course, the many steep hills up there would make it too difficult to walk any ways

One private club that still encourages walking is the Detroit Golf Club There you will find

arguably the best and strongest caddy program in Michigan The problem is when golfers take a caddy the course loses revenue from cart rental That is just one reason why caddy programs are often not what they used to be

One reason often given for

power cart usage is the pace of play Most think that a power cart is faster than walking Not! Over in Scotland and Ireland where 'buggys" are usually not allowed, they finish their rounds in three to three and a half hours or they run you off the course In the US the average round with cart is at least an hour longer than Jeff Lesson is a WWJ Sports Anchor/ Reporter and host of the award winning feature Lesson on Golf" on WWJ Newsradio 950 weekend mornings at 5 45 6 45 7 45 and 8 45 AND every Saturday morning 7 8 am on 1270 XYT The Sports Station Don't forget to check out lessonongolf.com for half off golf at great public courses!



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Spring has arrived, and outdoor opportunities abound

t's been a while since my last column way back in January Hope you all enjoyed the winter and the beautiful spring we've been experiencing the last few weeks, finally!

There couldn't be much better time than the present to get outdoors and enjoy the bountiful natural resources this state has to offer

Walleye fishing has been spectacular on the Detroit River and reports continue to roll in of limit catches being taken up and down the river

The hot spot, as usual, has been the Trenton Channel where anglers jigging leadheaded jigs tipped with a minnow or a natural-colored rubber worm have been catching tons of fish The run of fish coming into the river from Lake Erie won't last forever, so if you're planning to make a trip over to Detroit for a day of catching one of the best tasting fish in the state, you'd better not delay

The early catch-and-immediate-release bass season has been a hit with anglers

This season was approved by the DNR last year and allows anglers to fish for bass on inland waters of the state from the last Saturday in April through the regular season opener The only catch is that all bass must immediately be returned to the water That means no holding them in the live well so you can show your buddies or weigh them back at the dock

Unhook the fish, snap a quick picture if you re so inclined, and immediately return it to the water

The biggest reason to get the fish back into the water is because bass are spawning right now and you don t want to disrupt spawning fish and subject their nests and eggs to predation Remember, this is the stock for the future

Trout season got off to a somewhat slow start on opening weekend with cool temperatures limiting insect hatches Anglers fishing with live bait and spinners enjoyed decent success

The latest reports from the Au Sable and the Pere Marquette rivers indicate that Hendricksons and some stone flies are hatching in pretty good numbers Fly fishing should improve as the weather warms

If you re looking for some trout fishing close to home, the DNR annually stocks brown trout in several spots in southeastern Michigan, including Paint Creek between Lake Orion and Rochester, the Clinton River and the Huron River Check the DNRs Michigan Inland Trout and Salmon Guide for specific regulations on these fisheries

Mushroom hunting has really kicked into high gear the last

Morels are popping all over the state The best time to go hunting is the day after a warm rain Dead elm and ash trees seem to produce morels so be sure to check these areas thor-

oughly. " \
If you're not sure what a morel looks like your best bet is to head out with someone who does If that's not an option, check out a mushrooming book or do a Google

MU spikers sign local players

Madonna University head vol leyball coach Jerry Abraham announced the signings of Livonia Franklin outside hitter Liz Dempsey (Westland) and Anna-Marie Gatt a member of Livonia Churchill's state Class A championship team

A 5-foot-8 Dempsey is a fouryear letter winner in volleyball at Franklin. In her senior season, she was named team captain, first team All Observer and first team All-Western Lakes Activities Association

Dempsey, who was a Scholar-Athlete during her prep years, was the team captain during her junior season She is a three-time All-Observer pick and two-time All-Western Lakes selection

Dempsey will enroll at MU in the fall to pursue a career in nůrsing

Gatt is another defensive spe cialist to join the Crusaders in

The 5-6 Livonia native is the younger sister of current Madonna volleyball player Jacqui



Outdoor Insights

Bill Parker

search on the Internet False morels look very similar to edible morels and eating a false one could make you violently

Two things to remember on determining the difference between edible morels and false morels The cap of an edi ble morel is attached to the top of the stem while the cap of a false morel fits over the stem, if you cut open an edible morel it's hollow, while a false morel ıs solıd

Don't mistake one for the

Speaking of hunting, the late turkey season is shifting into

high gear and many hunters around the state feel this late season will be the best of them all this year

Why? Toms were henned up at the end of April and very difficult

But many of those hens have now been bred and are going to their nests in the afternoon That leaves the love-sick gobblers vulnerable to calling in the afternoon If you can't get

anything going off the roost in the mornings, take a break (or a nap) and get back out there in the early afternoon

Often at this time of year, especially during an afternoon hunt, gobblers will come to a call, but won t gobble on the way in Set yourself up in a spot you know turkeys frequent and cast out some enticing clucks and yelps Keep your eyes pealed and your movement to a minimum and you

just might be enjoying wild 🔌 turkey with cranberry sauce and fresh morels on Mother's

(Bill Parker covers the outdoors for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers Anglers and hunters are urged to report their success Questions and comments are also encouraged Send information to Bill Parker c/o Outdoors 805 E Maple Birmingham



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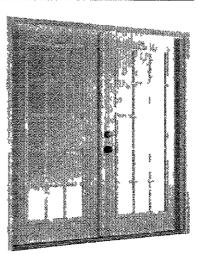
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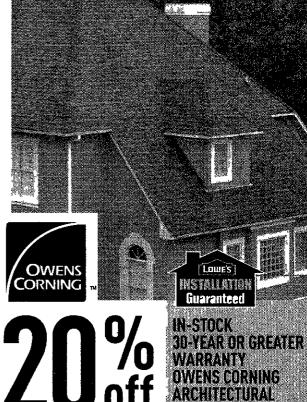




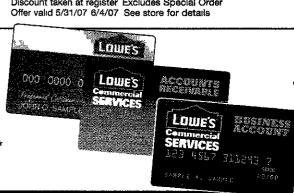


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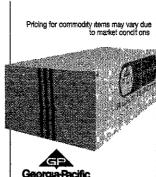
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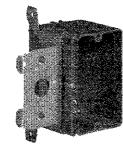


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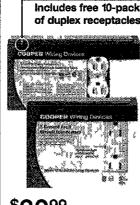
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PLYMOUTH HIGH FOOTBALL NEWS

There will be an informational meeting for parents of student-athletes who are planning on playing football at Plymouth High School in the fall of 2007

The meeting will be held June 5 from 6 30 p m to 8 30 p m in the Plymouth High School cafeteria All paperwork, calendars and important information will be provided for the upcoming 2007 season

A question-and-answer session will be offered as well Those who will not be able

to attend should contact head coach Mike Sawchuk at (734) 582-5696 to receive the paper-

For more information, visit www plymouthwildcats com

CANTON CHIEFS FOOTBALL EVENTS

The annual Canton Football Skills Camp for kids in sixth through ninth grades

will be held 5-7 30 p m June 11-14 at Canton High School All incoming freshmen players should plan to attend the camp, which will improve football fundamentals and skills To register, contact freshman coach Richard Mui at (248) 229-2738 or rmui@hotmail com

The fee is \$50 before May 26 and \$60 after that date All campers will receive a Chiefs football T-shirt and shorts Registration forms and more information on the camps can be found at www cantonchiefsfootball com

■ The annual Canton Football Team Golf Outing will be held June 23 at Fox Hills near Plymouth The shotgun start is set for 1 30 p m For the \$100 entry fee, participants will get 18 holes of golf, a cart, lunch, dinner, beverages and an opportunity to win prizes There is a nongolf/dinner-only package for \$40

For more information on the golf outing, visit www cantonchiefsfootball com

Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings

May 22, 2007

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday May 22 2007 at 1150 Canton Center

Treasurer Kirchgatter chairperson in Supervisor Yack's absence

Motion carried by all members present Treasurer Kirchgatter called the meeting to order at 7 03 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag Roll Call Members Present Bennett

Kırchgatter LaJoy McLaughlin Members Absent Caccamo (on

Military leave) Yack Zarbo Staff Present Director Eva Executive Director Santomauro Director Conklin Tom Casari Karen Fox

Adoption of Agenda Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to

approve the agenda as presented Motion carried by all members present Approval of Minutes Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve the Board Minutes of April 24 2007

Motion carried by all members present Payment of Bills Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve payment of the

bills for May 8 2007 and May 22 2007 as presented Motion

carried by all members present RECOGNITION Item 1 CANTON POLICE EXPLORERS - FIRST PLACE IN GOVERNOR'S CUP COMPETITION. CONSENT CALENDAR.

Item 1 APPROVE OFF-SITE TREE REPLACEMENT

AGREEMENT (CLS) Motion by Bennett supported by

McLaughlin to authorize the Clerk to sign the Off Site Tree

Replacement Agreement with Equity Alliance of Canton LLC 28470 Thirteen Mile Road Suite 220 Farmington Hills MI 48332

Motion carried by all members present Item 2. SPECIAL

COMMUNITY EVENT STATUS FOR HOME EDUCATION

MUSIC ASSOCIATION'S RUMMAGE SALE AND BAKE SALE.

(MSD) Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve

special event status and placement of signs for Home Education

Music Association's rummage sale and bake sale held in the parking

lot of Geneva Presbyterian Church 5835 Sheldon Road on June 21

2007 (Rain date is June 28th) Motion carried by all members present Item 3 CONSIDER PAYMENT TO CMP

DISTRIBUTORS, INC FOR GLOCKS (PSD) Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to authorize payment of CMP

Distributors Inc invoice #s 1780 & 1671 in the amount of \$2757

and to approve the following budget transfer to create a line item

for this payment Contributions to the Fund Balance 207 301 999

207 301 977 0000 \$2757 This budget transfer will neither increase

nor decrease FY 2007 police fund Motion carried by all members

PRESENTATION (FBD) Motion by Bennett supported by

McLaughlin to receive and place on file the 2006 Townships

Comprehensive Annual Financial Report Motion carried by all

members present Item 2 SALE OF 2007 LIMITED TAX GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS (FBD) Motion

by Bennett supported by VicLaugniin to approve the Bond

Resolution Authorizing the Sale of Limited Tax Obligation Capital

Improvement Bonds, and to authorize the Township Supervisor

Clerk Treasurer the Director of Finance and other appropriate

Township Officials to do all things necessary to effectuate the sale

issuance delivery transfer and exchange of the bonds in accordance

with the provisions of the Bond Resolutions Motion carried by all

COMBINATION (MSD) Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy

to approve the property split and combination for parcels 077 99

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02 0288 000 through to 077 02 0294 000 and 077 02 0296 000 as

shown on the survey dated March 20 2007 and to waive the \$75 00

per parcel land record fee for the project based upon the

justification that the combination accomplishes preservation of open space in the community Motion carried by all members present

Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to amend the motion

to approve the property split and combination for parcels 077 99 0002 702 077 02 0278 000 077 02 0279 000 077 02 0280 000 077 02 0288 000 through to 077 02 0294 000 and 077 02 0296 000 as

shown on the survey dated March 20 2007 and to waive the \$75 00

per parcel land record fee and the \$1 200 lot split/combination fees

for the project based upon the justification that the combination

accomplishes preservation of open space in the community Motion

carried by all members present Item 4 CONSIDER LAIRD

REZONING (MSD) Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin

to adopt the resolution for a rezoning request of Robert Laird Motion carried by all members present "A zoning ordinance

regulating the development and use of land has been adopted by the legislative body of the Charter Township of Canton Canton

Michigan Wayne County A complete copy of the amendment may be inspected or purchased at the Administration Building Planning

Services 1150 Canton Center S Canton Michigan 48188 (8 30 a m to 5 00 p m M F) Item 5 CONSIDER FRANKEL/CANTON

TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS (MSD) Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to adopt the resolution for

the Zoning Ordinance Text Amendments (007 TXT 003) Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to amend the resolution for the

Zoning Ordinance Text Amendments (007 TXT 003) to add hospitals

to Section 21A 02B as follows Amend Section 21A.02B, to add

medical, dental clinics and hospitals, as a special land use in

the LIR Light Industrial Research as follows 21A 02

Permitted uses and structures B Special Land Uses 6 Medical and

dental clinics hospitals offices or laboratories Motion carried by all

members present "A zoning ordinance regulating the development

and use of land has been adopted by the legislative body of the

Charter Township of Canton Canton Michigan Wayne County' A complete copy of the amendment may be inspected or purchased at

the Administration Building Planning Services 1150 Canton

Center S Canton Michigan, 48188 (8 30 am to 5 00 pm MF)

Item 6 CONSIDER AWARDING ENGINEERING SERVICES

TO NORTHWEST CONSULTANTS, INC FOR THE RIDGE

ROAD (FORD TO WARREN) GRADE ESTABLISHMENT

PROJECT (MSD) Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to

accept the proposal submitted by Northwest Consultants Inc to

provide professional engineering services for the Ridge Road (Ford

to Warren) Grade Establishment project for \$116 519 46 with a 10%

contingency in the amount of \$11 652 for a total not to exceed

amount of \$128 171 46 (account No 403 506 803 0000) and further

authorize the Township Supervisor and Clerk to execute the

contract Motion carried by all members present Item 7
CONSIDER TRANSFERING OWNERSHIP OF 10 SANITARY

SEWER FLOW METERS TO WESTERN TOWNSHIPS UTILITIES AUTHORITY (WTUA) (MSD) Motion by Bennett

supported by LaJoy to authorize the transfer of ownership for the

ten flow meters and associated hardware to the Western Townships

Utilities Authority (WTUA) Motion carried by all members present Item 8 CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION TO CREATE

AND FILL PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR - ASSET MANAGEMENT POSITION (MSD) Motion by Bennett

supported by LaJoy to authorize the creation of and approval to fill

the position of Public Works Supervisor - Asset Management I

further move to approve the following budget amendment for the

MANAGEMENT POSITION

Motion carried by all members present

members present Item 3 CONSIDER FAIRWAYS
NEIGHBORS/MCLENNAN PROPERTY SPLIT

0000 (\$2757) Capital Outlay

present GENERAL CÂLENDAR. Item 1

Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to appoint

PLYMOUTH FOOTBALL **GOLF OUTING**

The seventh annual Plymouth Wildcat Football Golf Outing will be held 2 p m Sunday, June 3, at Hickory Creek Golf Course, 3605 Napier in Canton

Included in the \$100 entry fee for the best-ball scramble (shotgun start) are 18 holes of golf and a dinner afterward Individuals are invited to attend the dinner only for \$40

There will be prizes for the first-place team, longest drive for men and women, and closest to the pin There will also be a silent auction and 50/50

To register, mail a check to and the names of the individual in your foursome to Lisa Goble, 5160 Gotfredson, Plymouth, MI 48170

For more information, call (734) 207-8889 or send an email to Rgoble64@aol com

Fringe Benefits Water & Sewer Division

The registration deadline is Tuesday, May 22

FIELD HOCKEY CAMP

SPORTS ROUNDUP

The annual Livonia Ladywood Blazer Field Hockey Day Camp will be held Saturday, June 23, at Ladywood High School, which is located on Newburgh between Schoolcraft and Five Mile in Livonia.

The camp, which runs from 9 a.m to 2 p m and costs \$50 per participant, will introduce future high school players to the sport of field hockey as well as promote enthusiasm for the game An emphasis will be placed on learning the basic fundamentals of the game and teaching proper techniques of the skill sets used to play, including dribbling, driving, shooting, passing and stop-

The first half of the day will focus on skills with the second half set for team play and small-sided scrimmages

All campers will need to bring shin guards, a mouthpiece, a water bottle, a field hockey stick (some will be available to sign out at the

592 441 720 0000

addition of the Public Works Supervisor Asset Management position

and the elimination of the Assistant Public Works Superintendent

and GIS Mapping Specialist positions Water & Sewer Fund

Increase (Decrease) Revenues Appropriation from Fund Balance

#592 000 699 0000 \$ (102 430) Increase (Decrease) Appropriations

Salaries Water & Sewer Division #592 441 705 0000 \$ (74 657)

camp) and a sack lunch Rubber cleats are also recom-

mended Registration forms can be picked up at Ladywood High School For more information, call (734) 751-9790

PLYMOUTH

VOLLEYBALL CAMP

The annual Plymouth High School Volleyball Team Camps will be held July 23-25 (Monday through Wednesday) in the Plymouth gymnasium A camp for current Wildcat volleyball players will be held 8 30 am to noon while a separate one for fifth- through ninth-graders is set for 1 4 p m each day

The cost of the morning camp is \$95, the afternoon camp is \$65

For more information, contact Plymouth coach Kelly McCausland at (734) 223-1737 or at

mccausk@taylor k12 mi us

SUMMER GIRLS HOOP CAMPS

The annual Canton/Salem gırls basketball camps will be held in June in the Canton and Salem high school gymnasi-

A camp for girls who will be starting seventh, eighth and ninth grades in the fall of 2007 will be held June 18-22 from 1 3 p m The seventh graders will be at Salem while the eighth and ninth graders will utilize the Canton gym The cost of the camp is \$70

A camp for girls who will be starting fourth, fifth and sixth grades in the fall of 2007 will be held June 25-29 from 1-3 p m The fourth graders will be at Salem while the fifth and sixth graders will utilize the Canton gym

Campers will receive instruction from members of the coaching staffs of Canton and Salem high schools as well as from high school players

Players can register through Plymouth-Canton Community Education, which is located at 40260 Five Mile Rd in Plymouth For more informa tion, call (734) 416-2940

SALEM ROCKS WOMEN'S FOOTBALL ACADEMY

The Salem High School football staff, players and Linebackers Club will be host ing a 'Women Only Football Academy' on Saturday, June 2, at Salem High School

7 59 a m in the Salem gym The academy, which will run from 8 59 a.m to 2 59 p m, will include on-the-field instruction, classroom instruction, lunch and an intra-academy scrimmage all in an effort to teach women the finer tech-

American tackle football All of the proceeds from the event will be donated to "First Step" and the 'Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute '

niques, rules and strategies of

The cost of the academy is \$50 per adult and \$40 for girls under the age of 13 Only the first 200 registrants will be accepted

Participants are encouraged to wear comfortable clothing and tennis shoes

Registration forms can be found at salemfootball net. Forms should be mailed to Salem High School, Attention Parker Salowich II, 46181 Joy Rd, Canton, MI 48170

For more information, send an e-mail to salemrocksfootball@yahoo com

RUNNING CLUB

Runners are invited to join the Northville (Redford) Road Runners running organization All levels are welcome

The club meets at 6 30 p m each Tuesday at Northville's Hillside Recreation Center, located off Center Street just south of Eight Mile, and at 6 30 p m Thursdays and 9 a m Saturdays at the Eight Mile Road entrance to Maybury State Park

Varying distances are run, ranging from 4-6 miles

For more information, send an e-mail to Bo@sprauer com or call Gary Haf at (248) 231-

DETROIT LIONS FOOTBALL CAMP

The third annual Detroit Lions Summer Youth Football Camp will be held July 5-8 at Central Middle School in downtown Plymouth The camp will be held from 8 30 a m to noon each day and is open to boys and girls between the ages of 6 and 14 years old

The \$159 camp fee includes ■ Four days of non-contact, fundamental football instruc-

tion, A Lions camp T-shirt,

■ Guest appearances from current or former Lion players, Chalk talk and video ses-

sions, and ■ Skills contests and scrim-

For more information, call

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following

David Medley ADA Coordinator Charter Township of Canton 1150 S Canton Center Road Canton MI 48188 (734) 394 5260

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a Bid for the Partial Re-Roofing of Salem High School Bid documents are available by phoning the District's Construction Management firm of McCarthy & Smith Inc at (248) 427 8400 or are available for public inspection at the office of the Construction Manager McCarthy & Smith Inc 24317 Indoplex Circle Farmington Hills MI 48335 FW Dodge Plan Room Southfield Construction Association of Michigan Plan Room Bloomfield Hills Daily Construction Reports Plan Room Detroit, Builders Exchange Grand Rapids Construction News Service Grandville and Reed Construction Data Novi MI

The bid division description for this project is 109 Roofing A pre bid meeting will be held at 10 00 am on Friday May 25 2007 in the McCarthy & Smith, Inc site trailer located at Salem High School 46181 Joy Road Canton Michigan 48187 Bids are to be submitted in a sealed envelope supplied by the Construction Manager McCarthy & Smith Inc with the bid division being bid identified on the outside of the envelope. All bids should include 2 copies (1 original 1 copy) and are due to the PCCS E J McClendon Educational Center on or before 1 00 pm Tuesday, June 5 2007 where they will be opened and read publicly For additional information phone Dan Phillips Assistant Director of Finance & Purchasing at (734) 416 2746 The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district

> Board of Education Plymouth Canton Community Schools JUDY MARDIGIAN Secretary

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27,773). Total \$ (102 430) This budget amendment decreases the Water & Sewer Division budget from \$30 175 773 to \$30 007 343 and the Water & Sewer Fund budget from \$31 260 966 to \$31 158 536 Motion carried by all members present Item 9 CONSIDER PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT FOR NEW PATROL VEHICLE. (PSD) Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to approve the purchase of a patrol laptop through the State of Michigan Bid Program from ComSource 2130 Austin Dr Rochester Hills MI in the amount of \$7227 50 Funds to come from police capital outlay account 207 301 977 0000 item #10 Further I move to approve the purchase of the in car camera system through the sole source supplier L3 Communications 90 Fanny Rd Boonton NJ in the amount of \$5 365 Funds to come from 911 services capital outlay police account 261 346 977 2070 item #1 Motion carried by all members present Item 10 CONSIDER PURCHASE OF DB VEHICLE (PSD) Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to approve the purchase of a 2008 Ford Taurus through the Macomb County Bid Program from Signature Ford 3942 West Lansing Rd Perry MI in the amount of \$19 292 Funds to come from police capital outlay account # 207 301 977 0000 Motion carried by all members present Item 11 CONSIDER PURCHASE OF HIGH SPEED COPIER SCANNER -RECORDS - FORFEITURES (PSD) Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to approve the purchase of a Ricoh Aficio MP4500 SPF in the amount of \$8275 from US Communities RICOH Business Systems 2119 Austin Rochester Hills MI 48309 Further I move to approve the following budget amendment for this purchase Increase Revenue Forfeitures - Drug Enforcement 207 000 655 0000 \$8275 Increase Appropriations Drug Forfeiture Program 207 301 744 0000 \$8275 This budget amendment increases the FY 2007 Police Budget from \$14 757 402 to \$ 14 765 677 Motion carried by all members present Item 12 APPROVAL OF MCACA GRANT APPLICATION SUBMISSION (FBD) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to authorize the application to the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs for a grant for \$8 000 towards the expense of the FY 2008 African American History Through Artists Eyes performance and arts exhibition series at the Village Theater and other Leisure Services venues and further authorize a cash match of \$3 000 from Leisure Services and in kind services of \$10 728 for staff and space rental Motion carried by all members present Item 13 APPROVE PURCHASE OF RECYCLING BINS (FBD) Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to approve the purchase of 1835 eighteen gallon recycling bins from SUL A Plastics Ltd in the amount of \$9,798 90 (account #246 500 800 0000 Prof & Contractual Services) Motion carried by all members present Item 14 EMERGENCY PURCHASE OF RANGE BALL PICKER FOR PHEASANT RUN GOLF CLUB (CLS) Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to approve the emergency purchase of a Wittek Senior Tire Commercial Picker in the amount of \$2 274 from account #584 756 977 0000 (Pheasant Run Golf Club/Capital Outlay Equipment) Motion carried by all members present Item 15 AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF SOFTBALLS FOR CANTON SPORTS CENTER (CLS) Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to approve the purchase of 285 dozen 12" softballs from Worth Sports 1915 Wendell Lima OH 45805 in the amount of \$7 965 75 to be paid from Canton Sports Center Budget Operating Supplies Account # 101 755 740 0000 Motion carried by all members present
REPORGRAMMING OF Item 16 AUTHORIZĚ CAPITAL FUNDS FOR RECREATION DIVISION. (CLS) Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to authorize the reprogramming of \$2 100 in the Recreation Budget capital improvement line item account #101 691 977 0000 Motion carried by all members present Item 17. AWARD BID FOR THE 2007 CANTON LEISURE SERVICES INFLATABLE ATTRACTIONS (CLS) Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to award the Liberty Fest portion of inflatable attractions to Kelly Inflatables 5749 S Occidental Highway Tecumseh MI 49286 in an amount not to exceed \$8 100 to be paid from the Recreation Budget Contracted Services account #101 691 818 4000 I further move to award the bid for inflatable attractions for the remaining events (Boys World Series Movie Camp Out Wet-N Wild Family Drive In Fall Festival and Teen Lock Ins) to Chris Nordman Associates Inc 4632 Elizabeth Lake Road Waterford MI 48328 in an amount not to exceed \$7 550 to be paid from the Recreation Budget Contracted Services account #101 691 818 4000 Special Events \$4 050 account #101 691 818 3000 Youth Development \$2 400 and Canton Sports Center Program and Activities account #101 755 742 0000 \$1 100 Motion carried by all members present Item 18. CONSIDER EXTENDING THE 2006 SIDEWALK REPAIR CONTRACT WITH GAGLIO P & R CEMENT FOR THE 2007 SIDEWALK REPAIR PROGRAM. (MSD) Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to extend the 2006 Sidewalk Repair Program Contract with Gaglio P & R Cement to the 2007 Sidewalk Repair Program for the amount of \$400 000 plus Add Alternates 1 (Metro Act) in the amount of \$25 000 and Add Alternate 2 (Emergency Sidewalk & Drive Approach Repairs) in the amount of \$20 000 for a total not to exceed of \$445 000 and further to authorize the Township Supervisor to execute the contract Funds are budgeted in the water and sewer fund for known sidewalk repairs due to utility settlement which has \$221 752 budgeted (account number 592 441 930 1000) Funds for Add Alternate 1 Metro Act will come from account number 101 441 930 4802 Metro ROW Restoration which has \$50 000 budgeted Funds for Emergency Sidewalk and Drive Approach repairs due to utility settlement or repairs will come from account number 592 441 930 1000 Maintenance & Repair of Sidewalks/Structures which has \$221 752 budgeted Motion carried by all members present Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve an amount of \$20 250 for Canton Township Staff to provide construction inspection services and that this amount shall be subtracted from the contract with Gaglio P & R Cement and authorize finance and budget to subtract any additional costs based on the per day rate of \$450 for an inspector day if the contractor exceeds the number of specified inspector days in the contract Motion carried by all members present OTHER Treasurer Kirchgatter stated the next Board Study Session will take place on Tuesday May 29 2007 at 700 pm at the Administration Building First Floor Board Room 1150 Canton Center S Canton Michigan 48188 ADJOURN Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to adjourn at 9 07 p m Motion carried by all members present - Thomas J Yack

Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton 1150 S Canton Center Rd Canton MI 48188 during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site www.canton.mi.org after

Supervisor - Terry G Bennett Clerk -

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Haeger tips hat to Crusaders Up in the air: Flight problems can throw bowlers for a loop STAFF WRITER

Even though Madonna University's baseball team was eliminated by Spring Arbor in the recent NAIA Region VIII championship round, Crusaders head coach Greg Haeger tipped the bill of his cap to his guys

"Obviously, it's not the way we wanted the season to end, said Haeger, following the rain-soaked 6-4 loss to the Cougars on May 11 "(But) I'm proud of the way our players battled through the tourna-

'It's easy to give up once you get knocked down to the losers bracket, but they were able to pull together and make it to the championship game

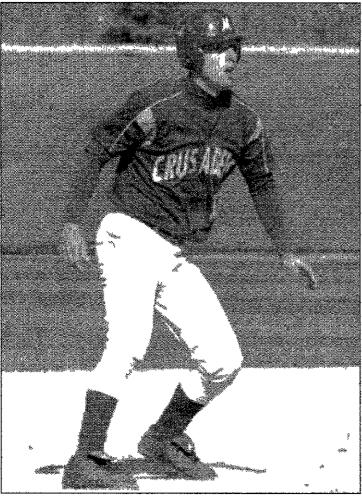
The praise from Haeger wasn't the only reward for a determined effort at the regional Sophomore second baseman Ryan Morrow earned selection to the All-Region team

Madonna - which finished 34-20, the fourth consecutive year the team reached the 30victory plateau - was bumped down to the loser's bracket on the opening day of the regional, getting crushed 14-2 by No 2-seeded Indiana Tech in a quarterfinal matchup

But facing elimination the next day, May 10, the Crusaders came back strong with 8-3 and 7-2 victories over No 4-seeded Bethel and No 3seeded Indiana Tech, respec-

Against Bethel, seniors Tony Luttman (Farmington) and Gary VanAllen and freshman Zach Flavin (Novi) each homered to back the nine-inning pitching of Josh Regits

In the win over Indiana Tech, Madonna scored four runs in the fifth to break a scoreless tie and provide more than enough offense for winning pitcher Will Kennedy (Westland John Glenn), who



MU SPORTS INFORMATION

Madonna University senior Gary VanAllen wrapped up the regular season on a hitting tear that earned him conference honors

won his fifth game in six deci-

The big blow in the fifthinning surge was a two-run single to left by senior shortstop Kyle Fedorka, which plated senior outfielder Manny Alvarado (Southfield) and freshman outfielder Rıkco Rhoades (Orchard Lake St

Mary's) Madonna won the first game Friday against the Cougars, 7-6, to force a second and decidıng game

The Crusaders trailed 6-0 after two innings before staging a gritty comeback Four innings of scoreless relief by

junior Ryan Bardoni gave MU a glimmer of hope and a sixrun rally in the top of the seventh put the Crusaders ahead to stay Luttmans two-run double to

left-center capped the frame and enabled senior relief pitcher Mike Hand (North Farmington) to earn the victory, with a save going to junior Eric Wendling

Unfortunately, in the finale delayed by 3 15 after the seventh inning due to heavy rain -Spring Arbor returned from the lengthy interruption and scored three runs to nip the Crusaders, who led 6-0 early

ırlıne travel can be unpredictable at times

The Ansara Restaurant Group 1 bowling team found that out last week when they flew to Reno, Nev for the US **Bowling Congress Open** Championship tournament at the National Bowling Stadıum

The group was scheduled to bowl in the team event on Thursday afternoon, but only Harry Sullins from Chesterfield Township was there on time, while the rest of the team had its flight canceled and was stuck in Michigan when they were scheduled to bowl Subsequently they were forced to take a later plane

Although they missed the scheduled team event, Ansara made it in time for their allotted doubles and singles squad

They bowled as planned and were surprisingly able to find an open spot to bowl in the team event on Saturday, a shuffle that only happens

under special circumstances It worked out for the best, as they put together a solid effort which put them into third place in regular team with a total score of 3,352, only 16 pins behind the leader and four pins out of second

Lew Ansara of Farmington Hills is the long-time sponsor of the team and has traditionally assembled a group of highly competitive bowlers for the all-star leagues and tournaments

Eddie Grace III from Howell led the way with 729, followed by Ken Wyatt of Sterling Heights (685), Sullins (664), Nunzio Marino of Livonia (683) and Ryan

Ten Pin Alley

Harrison

Wilson of Garden City (612) "We all kind of found each other in the hotel lobby Friday morning and although the guys looked a little tired, everyone had a good outlook for doubles and singles," said Sullins, who owns 12 PBA regional titles and is a mem-

Despite a 156 start in the team, Sullins was able to use more that 20 years of professional experience and knowledge to remain calm and bounce back with 270 and 238 games, while sticking to the team's original strategy to all play the same part of the

ber of three halls of fame in

Michigan

lane to help dictate the breakdown and transition during the three games

The USBC Open was formerly the American Bowling Congress Tournament, the longest running and largest bowling event of all and full of great tradition and stories, and this is one for the books

The Ansara team joins .. * another local team among the leaders, S&B Pro Shop of Troy, which currently holds down fourth place in the team allevents with a combined score of 9,762 S&B consists of Jay Lang of Sterling Heights, Bill Orlikowski from Grand Rapids, Dave Ewald of Macomb, Nick Wissinger of Utica and Kerry Kreft from Warren

Al Harrison is a resident of Livonia and a member of the Bowling Writers Association of America He can be reached at (248) 477 1839 or email tenpinalley@sbcglobal net

Tower Automotive, Plymouth Business Unit Public Notice Notice of Intent to File a Clean Corporate Citizen Application

Tower Automotive Plymouth Business Unit located at 43955 Plymouth Oaks Blvd, Plymouth MI 48170 proposes to file an application with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality for a Clean Corporate Citizen Certification (C 3) All of the documentation required for the C 3 application is available for public review from May 31 2007 until June 28 2007 at the Reference Desk of the Plymouth District Library Comments will be accepted until June 28, 2006 at 5 00 pm and should be sent to the address listed above, Attention Chris Kwiatkowski

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Major League Soccer comes to town in Berkley

Major League Soccer makes another area appearance Wednesday night when the Columbus Crew takes on their minor league affiliate, the 2006 North American Premier Development League champion Michigan Bucks, at Berkley's Hurley Field

Kickoff is at 7 30 p m The Crew, coached by Sigi Schmid, is currently 1-2-5 in the MLS following a 2-2 deadlock Saturday night against Toronto FC

Forward Andy Herron scored twice in that game for the Crew, which also features defender Frankie Hejduk, who was recently named to coach Bob Bradleys 23-member US National Team

Other standouts for the Crew include defenders Rustv Pierce, Ezra Hendrickson and Marcos Gonzalez, along with midfielders Danny O'Rourke and Ned Grabavoy



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Gruenebaum has three

shutouts to his credit Tickets are \$15 at the gate, but only \$10 presale when you buy tickets on the Bucks Web

Site (online through Pay Pal)

www.buckssoccer.com

Tickets are also on sale at Georges Soccer in Troy (248-528 2958) and Lathrup Village (248-557-f166) Trading Post in Plymouth (734 453-0022),

Soccer Plus in Livonia (734-432-0222) and Bloomfield Hills (248-758-0222), or Tool Sport & Sign in Oxford (248 969-5850)



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STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

AMENDMENT TO WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM ORDINANCE

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. C-07-03

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE II OF ORDINANCE NO C-2002-01 OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH, PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF THE WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS; PROVIDING FOR USE FACTOR SCHEDULES, TRANSITION RULES, INDUSTRIAL WASTE CONTROL CHARGES, INDUSTRIAL WASTE SURCHARGE AND INDUSTRIAL WASTE PRETREATMENT; PROVIDING FOR DISCHARGE PROHIBITIONS AND WASTEWATER DISCHARGE PERMITS, PROVIDING FOR MONITORING FACILITIES, INSPECTION, SAMPLING, AND RECORD KEEPING, ENFORCEMENT, PROVIDING DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY; PROVIDING COMPLIANCE WITH NPDES PERMITS, PROVIDING FOR RATE APPEALS, WATER AND SEWER APPLICATIONS, BILLINGS, ENFORCEMENT, INTERIOR METERS, EXTERIOR METERS, CONNECTIONS TO THE SYSTEM, A SUMP PUMP COLLECTION SYSTEM, AND WATER CONSERVATION DEVICES; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY OF UNENFORCEABLE PROVISIONS, PROVIDING FOR PRESERVATION OF EXISTING CHARGES, RATES AND ENFORCEMENT ACTION(S), PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE C-2002-01.

Article II of the Water and Sewer Ordinance, Ordinance No C 2002 02 Chapter 73 is amended as follows

ARTICLE II

73 080 - 73 080 12 and Appendices A B and C Industrial Waste Surcharge and Industrial Waste Pretreatment - Discharge to Detroit Water and Sewer Department

This Article provides for an industrial waste pretreatment program for discharges to the Detroit Water and Sewer Department a delegation of authority to the DWSD definitions discharge prohibitions, fees waste discharge permits monitoring facilities inspection sampling record keeping, confidentiality of certain information statutes laws, regulations enforcement and appeal procedure

SECTION 2. VIOLATION AND PENALTY.

This section provides that any person or entity that violates any provision of this Ordinance may upon conviction be fined not more than Five Hundred (\$500 00) Dollars or imprisoned not more than Ninety (90) days or both in the discretion of the court

SECTION 3. REPEAL

This section provides that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY.

This Section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance

SECTION 5. SAVINGS CLAUSE.

This Section provides that adoption of this Ordinance does not affect proceedings prosecutions for violation of law penalties and matured rights and duties in effect before the effective date of this Ordinance

SECTION 6. PUBLICATION

This section provides that the Clerk for the Charter Township of Plymouth shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law

SECTION 7 EFFECTIVE DATE.

This section provides that this Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law

The above is a summary of proposed Ordinance No C 07 03 considered for first reading at the May 15 2007, regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth It will be submitted for second reading at the regularly scheduled Board meeting on Tuesday June 12 2007 The Ordinance, in full is available in the Clerk's Office for public perusal at 9955 N Haggerty Road Plymouth MI 48170 during regular business hours 8 00 a m to 4 30 p m, Monday through Friday

> Marilyn Massengill CMC Clerk Plymouth Charter Township

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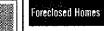
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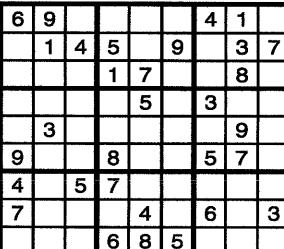
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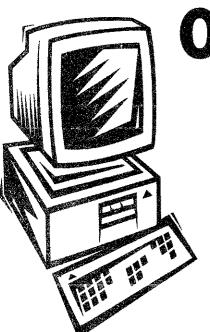
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The first time he entered the hospital, he armed himself with a desktop computer and fax. "I set up a little office and promised to communicate daily." he recalls couldn't have visitors About the second day, I had a laptop and clipboard with me" He returned to work immediately after chemo treatment, only to relapse ten months later and have a stem cell transplant This time he took only a telephone

Penry attributes his turnaround to his "work ethic, personal philosophy and self-discipline," and his success with cancer to the entrepreneurial experience, with its constant challenge and uncertainty

Dan Foster, an administrative assistant and 40-year worker at KeySpan Energy in New York City, survived rectal cancer twice in almost 11 years with the help of Beth Israel Medical Center He had two chances to work -- or not "In 1996," he says, "I had surgery in September and reversal in November I was back to work in the spring" That's not what friends advised

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The next time around was worse -surgery on one lung in September, 1999, surgery on the other lung in October, eight months chemotherapy beginning November Once again, his job was waiting for him Foster was thrilled to be back in the harness and shifted his treatment to Fridays, which gave him the weekend to recover from the aching tireds

COMMUNITY

Many cancer survivors contribute to the community with gusto Paul Nicholls, former development director at Ogilvy & Mather, was sitting in a



Rosemary Lebeda Development Coordinator at the Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha pins a flower on Bill Penry at the Celebration of Courage event Credit Courtesy of The Nebraska Medical Center.

chemo chair at St Luke's - Roosevelt Hospital Center in New York City, next to a man from Hong Kong "I'd walked 10 minutes to the hospital," he recalls "I realized that I'm going to my own bed I'm eating the food My wife is there The man was here alone, terrified of disease and New York He was phoning home twice a day It was expensive, he was stressed because of the time difference"

Nicholls founded Team Continuum, which started at St Luke's - Roosevelt and expanded to two other hospitals He's raised \$35 million, and he's helped approximately 3,000 patients receive personal living services to defray the "devastating" expenses required for international travel, job cessation and double residences, sometimes with entire families in New Like Nicholls, Penry and Foster are extremely engaged in the community, Foster worked up to speaking at community meetings, health fairs and a half-hour cable program. He's the Voice of Brooklyn for the Colon Cancer Alliance His list of activities doesn't stop Penry continues board service and fundraising. "I also spend quite a bit of time meeting with cancer patients at The Nebraska Medical Center,"he explains, "trying to provide emotional spiritual and encouragement." He even takes them to his family's lake house to encourage them to live life to its fullest

These three survivors reflect that work kept them on track.

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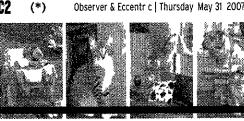
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(Corner of Cherry Hill & R dge Fri Sat June 1 & 2 9 3pm Household tems collectibles furniture & toys If you need it you I find it here!

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Sale May 31 thru June 2 Sheldon & Palmer

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W Lyman 11 Mile & Drake Rd May 31st June 1st 9 4 Some of almost everything! Too much to list!

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GARDEN CITY HUGE SALE CANTON 9am over 300 homes in Sub Lots of great items N of Palmer E of Canton Center

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LIVONIA 16402 Blue Skies 6

Mile & Newburgh Rd May 31st June 1st 8 5pm

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LIVONIA Thurs Sat 95pm 19789 Ashley Court Willow Woods Sub 7 Mile &

25+ Homes June 1 2 9 5pm N /96 E /Farmington Road

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June 1 3 10 5pm N of 7

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Clothes/toys in good cond

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9 5pm Multi family sale Great stuff! Some antiques PLYMOUTH 46467 Southview Lane (North of Ann Arbor Trail

9am 5pm Bedroom patio furniture & more! PLYMOUTH TWP Quail Run Ridgewood West Sub Wide Garage Sale

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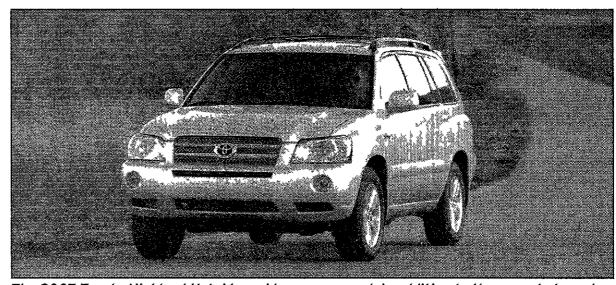


By now, hybrid powertrains are as much a part of the American automotive landscape as memory power seats and iPod docks in the center console Sales of the fuel sipping combinations of an internal combustion engine and an electric motor have been compounding as gasoline prices approached and exceeded \$3 a gallon and as consumers came to believe they could rely on what was under the hood to get them where they needed

Ever the innovator when it comes to reliability Toyota also has stepped forward in the vanguard of the most significant new development in the hybrid market since its four-door Prius debuted and single handedly mainstreamed the segment What Toyota has done now is fielded two vehicles that have become known as muscle hybrids because they have given consumers the performance benefit of combining the two kinds of propulsion sources - in addition to the fuel economy benefit

Toyota Highlander Hybrid and the Lexus RX400h each offer robust performance, worthy of any other vehicle, in addition to superior fuel economy (I'll focus on the Highlander Hybrid here because I recently reviewed the RX400h)

Unlike the Ford Escape and Mercury Mariner hybrid SUVs, which rely on four cylinder gasoline engines for maximum fuel economy, the 2007 Highlander Hybrid combines its electric motors generators and a self-recharging battery pack with a robust, 3 3-liter V6 gasoline engine. It thus delivers the thrust of a V8 engine (zero to 60mph in 73 seconds) with fuel economy that beats that of the base Highlander model The electric motors afford generous low-end power for quick launches though the transition from one power source to the other at slightly higher speeds isn't entirely seamless. It also features a continuously variable automatic transmission (which forsakes traditional gears for a variable pulley system) and electric power steering, both of which improve fuel economy



The 2007 Toyota Highland Hybrid provides some comph in addition to the expected great fuel economy.

And there s definitely a tradeoff in the mileage figures that have become more and more important to American car buyers of every persuasion Highlander Hybrid is rated at 32mpg in the city and 27mpg on the highway - that's right the city number is actually better because of how the electric motor assists in stop and go driving with rear wheel drive and 31mpg and 27mpg with all wheel drive Those are impressive numbers for any SUV But they aren t the kind of eye popping figures that hybrid purchasers might assume they're getting, based on presumptions they may have formed because of the much higher fuel-economy numbers posted by the early Prius and Honda Insight hybrids

At the same time, purchasing the Highlander Hybrid's muscular capabilities and significant mileage accomplishments carries a stiff upfront cost more than \$4,000 more than similarly equipped V6 non-hybrid models

Beyond the fact that it is a hybrid Highlander Hybrid, of course, offers all the usual benefits of being built by Toyota Ride and handling are smooth and remarkable just as in most of the company's models The exterior styling is very conservative and not much to write home about But the vehicle's basic boxiness lends itself well to a maximization of interior space

That interior commodiousness includes a third row of seating that should be fine for any kids though a bit cramped for many adults - and it still costs an upgrade of \$540 Cargo space is vast, especially with the third seat folded down Interior amenities are very thorough, including

an efficient fold down console between the secondrow seats, ample compartments and slots everywhere, and a rear seat DVD-entertainment system that is available for an extra \$1,770

The older I get, the more attention I pay to the mere logic and simplicity of one very important area of each vehicle the climate controls It's amazing how badly some auto makers can screw up the oncebasic function of providing heated or cooled air to the interior of the car

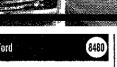
Fortunately, this is one area where Highlander Hybrid excels Its climate controls are conveniently and logically contained in just six large and sensibly positioned controls on the center of the dashboard Three switches above (for air circulation, airconditioner power, and the rear-window defroster) and three dials below (for fan speed, temperature, and air-flow mode) Why can't it be that simple for everyone?

Other standard features of the Highlander Hybrid are a heater system for third-row passengers, three 12-volt auxiliary power outlets, and front side and side-curtain airbags for the first and second rows The airbag system includes a rollover sensor that will deploy the side-curtain airbags if it determines the vehicle is about to roll over

Reportedly the Highlander Hybrid and its nonhybrid siblings will be moving up to a larger platform for the 2008 model year That's likely to challenge the hybrids fuel economy numbers, of course But would it be a surprise if Toyota knows what it's doing?



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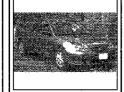
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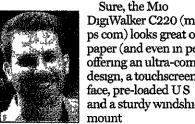
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Bargain GPS gets you to your destination - eventually

f something sounds too good to be true, it probably is

Like, say, a \$199 GPS navigation system for your car



Savvy

Rick Broida DıgıWalker C220 (mıogps com) looks great on paper (and even in person), offering an ultra-compact design, a touchscreen interface, pre-loaded US maps, and a sturdy windshield

Having tested countless GPS models priced at \$500 and above (the minimum you could expect to pay as recently as a year ago), I was thoroughly intrigued by the sub-\$200 C220

When I first fired it up, everything went smoothly It locked onto a GPS signal in less than a minute (and in mere seconds during subsequent tests) - a big improvement over last vear's models

The super-bright screen managed to hold its own on the sunniest of days, and I was pleased by the interface a button-free,

touchscreen-driven menu system that proved a lot friendlier than Mio's previous efforts

Indeed, when I reviewed the much pricier Mio C710 last November, I knocked its awkward, occasionally complex interface

But when I took to the road with the C220, starting with a simple route from my house to my in-laws', things fell apart.

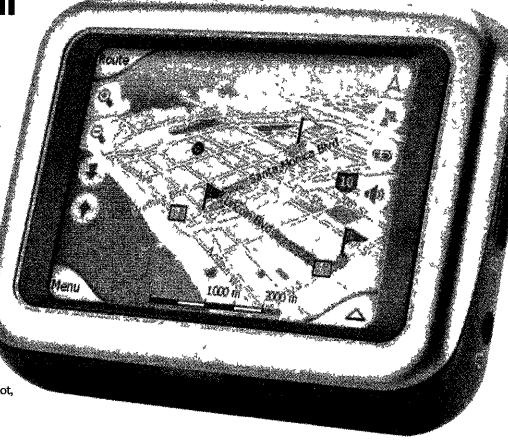
At the first intersection, the C220 displayed what looked like a diamond-shaped traffic circle - and wanted me to turn right instead of left (left being the correct direction)

The same thing happened at the next intersection - but not before the C220 tried to route me off the main road, into a high-school parking lot, and back onto the road

OK, who programmed my GPS for drunken sailor mode?

To be fair, I encountered the mysterious diamond-shaped intersections only a few

PLEASE SEE BROIDA, D2



Priced at just \$199, the Mio DigiWalker C220 offers GPS navigation on the cheap — but it gets a little confused at times

Healthy soul food



Maple syrup and peaches or apples are among the ingredients in Warm Peach Bread Pudding

WARM PEACH BREAD PUDDING

Serves 4, 1 ramekin per serving Vegetable oil spray

4 slices day old reduced calorie bread (whole wheat or multigrain preferred) crust discarded bread diced into /z inch cubes (about 2 cups)

2/3 cup fresh or frozen peaches partially thawed or fresh apple such as McIntosh Jonagold or Golden Delicious peeled cut into bite size pieces Whites of 2 large eggs or 1 large egg

2 to 3 tablespoons firmly packed light brown sugar 12 ounces fat free evaporated milk /2 ounce maple syrup

/kounce dark rum light rum or bourbon /₂ teaspoon vanilla extract ¼ teaspoon ground cinnamon

PLEASE SEE BREAD PUDDING, D3

Healthy Soul Food Recipes, a new cookbook, offers tasty and healthy versions of soul food favorites



Recipes help prevent heart disease, stroke

See more recipes inside

BY MARY KLEMIC STAFF WRITER

Heart disease and stroke kıll about 17 mıllıon people a vear - almost one-third of all deaths globally

By 2020, heart disease and stroke will become the leading cause of death and dis ability worldwide, with the number of fatalities projected at more than 20 million a year That number will be more than 24 million a year

Hypertension is the silent kıller because it is generally associated with no pain but is the leading modifiable risk factor for stroke," said Brian Silver, M D, senior staff neurologist at Henry Ford Hospital and assistant professor of neurology at Wayne State University School of Medicine

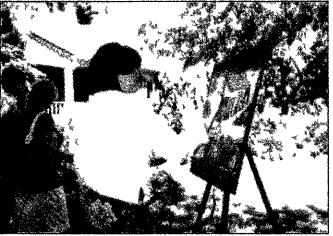
'Only 50 percent of people are aware that they have it, and of those who are aware only 50 percent have it controlled Left untreated, the risk of stroke substantially increases over a 10-year peri-

African-Americans are almost twice as likely to have a first stroke as whites, according to the American Heart Association

But you can take steps to reduce your risk for heart disease and stroke One way is by eating a healthy diet, and a new cookbook can help

The 100-page publication, Healthy Soul Food Recipes,

PLEASE SEE SOUL FOOD, D3



The Franklin Garden Walk includes The Artful Garden, featuring artists working in the gardens. This photo was taken last year

Local garden walks welcome summer

One of the most pleasant signs of summer is the scheduling of garden walks in area communities

The walks are great ways to get gardening inspiration, perhaps pick up some accessories for the outdoors, and help good causes as well

Here's a roundup to help you plan your visits

FRANKLIN

The Franklin Branch of the Woman's National Farm & Garden Association will present its 22nd annual Garden Wałk 10 a.m to 4 p m and 6-9 p m Wednesday, June 13

Features Magnificent private gardens, The Artful Garden (artists working in the gardens), a salad luncheon buffet with seatings at 11 30 a m and 12 45 p m at the Franklin Community Church, a gazebo boutique of garden-related

Tour tickets \$10 pre-sale, \$12 the day of the event On tour day, tickets will be sold at the Franklin Village Gazebo, on the west side of Franklin Road between 13 and 14 Mile, behind the police station

Luncheon tickets \$10 To pre-order tickets, visit the Franklin Village Boutique, 32716 Franklin Road, or send a self-addressed, stamped

envelope with a check payable to WNF & GA Franklin Branch to PO Box 250194, Franklin 48025-0194 Include your phone number and specify your preferred luncheon

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LATHRUP VILLAGE

See the interiors of six of Lathrup Village's most interesting homes and stroll through six beautiful private gardens

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Garden walk and tea

A docent-led tour of the Henry Ford Estate gardens in Dearborn will take place at noon and 1, 2 and 3 p m Thursday June 7

See the estate's newly restored Early Rose Garden, Blue Garden, įrop ્ gates, teahouse, river walk > and Rock Garden/boathouse area, and the greenhouse with unusual perennials, wildflowers, hanging baskets, stepping stones and garden art for sale.

Admission is \$8 Reservations are appreciated but not required Call (313) 593-5580

On the same day, enjoy an afternoon of gourmet tea, petite sandwiches and pastries, with views of the gardens and wildlife, in Tea on the Terrace, 1-3 p.m Cost is \$2995 Advance reserva-. tions are required. Seating is limited Call (313) 593-5590

The Pool Restaurant on the estate will be open 11 a m to 2 p m Reservations are appreciated for parties of six or more

The estate is on the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus at 4901

Program proceeds benefit the Henry Ford Estate garden restoration

Landscaper tips

Stacy Feldman, landscape designer at Four Seasons Garden Center & Custom Landscape Services in Oak Park, recommends that you do these 10 things in choosing a landscaping company

Identify licensed and insured teams with certified nursery and landscape professionals

Look for designers and agencies affiliated with professional associations, such as the Michigan Nurseryman and Landscape Association, American Professional Landscape Designers and American Association of Nurserymen

Check references, and ask for recent projects you can visit and a professional portfolio to review

Conduct a complete, indepth interview at your home to determine your family facts, personal lifestyle and interests as well as design and color preferences

Complete a thorough site analysis, evaluating such things as site location, topography and drainage, soil conditions, existing plant material and utility considerations while taking photographs and measurements of your property

Request a design program outlining your interview, site analysis and established summary of design solutions

Ask for a presentation explaining the proposed design and including a responsible bid that will take into account the entire project, installed and completed Establish timelines and commitments

Keep appraised of the project progress throughout the entire installation process

Ask for a thorough review of the installation and provide any necessary care instructions



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Wine and food lovers can converge on Oakland Community College on Thursday June 7 to indulge in Great Lakes wines

That's the night of the 12th annual Great Lakes Great Wines at Oakland Community

Guests will have a chance to try some of the more than 500 wines from approximately 90 wineries from Michigan, Canada, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Pennsylvania Wisconsin and New

Specialty dishes from restaurants and country clubs will be served As of May 23, Tribute Dearborn Country Club and Steve & Rockys have confirmed they will have food among the 12 to 15 booths

The Sheila Landis Trio will provide entertainment that evening Tickets are \$45

The event raises money for scholarships and travel funds for the student competition team, which earned a first place gold medal in the regionals and now will travel to Florida for the

GREAT LAKES GREAT WINES

What: Event has 500 wines from about 90 wineries and food from area restaurants and country clubs When: 6 8 30 pm Thursday June 7 Where: Building J Oakland Community College

Orchard Ridge campus 27055 Orchard Lake Road (just south of I 696) Farmington Hills Tickets: \$45

information: Oaklandcc edu/culmary or call (248) 522 3700

national competition

Darlene Levinson, event coordinator, said new wineries will be joining the event this year

That tells me the event is getting a good name, when (the wineries) are finding out about ıt," Levinson said

The event raised \$13,000 last year

Great Lakes Great Wines on tap It's time for some clearing up

ometimes after a column appears, something new comes up that should have been added, and I want to immediately let everyone know

Calling everyone who reads the column seems impractical While writing back to those who write to me is fun, I don t think its an efficient system Many of these ideas just

aren't big enough to fill an entire space, but help reinforce or alter a previous

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About Animals

Dr Brad Davis

PET FOOD

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The last column I wrote dealt with the pet food recall I wrote about how people will be overreacting and feeding their pets homemade diets, causing

new sets of problems While that's still very true, within the body of the column I said the dry food that was recalled was limited to prescription diets, and owners shouldn t be afraid to feed pets quality dry food, like Hills or Royal Canın

Just before the column was published, Royal Canin added a number of dry foods to the list, because the research they did found a small amount of the food tainted

As was suggested in the column, this recall story changes almost daily

The concept of food being tainted on purpose sounds more like a plot of a James Bond movie than reality, and this story will continue to grow for a while

The media have found new exciting stories to follow, so don't expect it leading the news every night, but you can still call your vet for the latest information

Dry food is still the best way to go to feed your animal, and that's unlikely to change If you get concerned, get a blood test checking your pet's basic func-

KEEPING CATS INDOORS

A long time ago, I wrote about keeping cats inside Experience is why I recommend this

The threats to cats seem to be endless, including kids like the squirrel hunters, along with dogs, wildlife, and other cats that will fight them and quite possibly give them an infectious disease like Feline Leukemia or FIV, the feline version of HIV

Another of the many risks for an outdoor cat would be traffic

Just two weeks ago a cat that had been hit by a car was brought in to the clinic His jaw was broken He continues to convalesce despite being abandoned by his owner

Remember that when an animal is struck in the street, it's often not the driver's fault Cars are supposed to be in the

road, pets aren t I'm not saying that every time a pet is hit by a car the driver's not at fault Every situation is different

And if you have lost an animal to a car trauma, you have my every condolence and sympathy, especially if it's one of those situations where the animal gets out of the yard or house and runs off wildly, thrilled in the sudden freedom

What I am saying is, keeping your pets out of harm's way is the best way to go

Keep your dogs in your yard If you're walking your dog, use a leash I know you want to show off that your dog won't run away from you, but think of the leash as a safety tether

Keep your cats inside I would bet that very few cats have ever been hit by a car while sitting in a house

Remember the old but very true saying, 'Better safe than sorry

CANCER

I wrote a piece about Michigan Veterinary Specialists and how it treats cancer

Someone wrote me a letter sayıng I clearly don't care about cats as I spoke only of

dogs in the column MVS also sees cats for cancer I apologize to all the ailurophiles I may have offended

There, now I'm ready for summer

Dr. Brad Davis is medical director for the VCA Garden City 2085 Inkster Road Garden City 48135 Mail gues tions or comments there He also hosts the nationally syndicated radio show Animal Talk Visit www ani maltalkradio com and write to Brad@animaltalkradio.com

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A wasp nest that s in a high place could present a problem to a homeowner who wants to spray it

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Marına and Jeff Walker of West Bloomfield developed Spray Close after they had trouble spraying a wasp nest that was under a window ledge at an elevated spot on their house

The couple found convoluted, expensive products at stores, Marina said

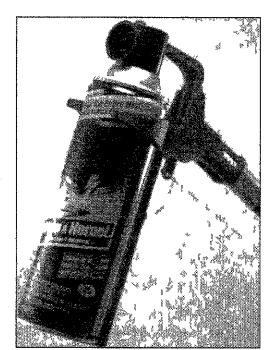
(I said) 'Let's see if we can develop a product more easily usable,' she said

Walker said she wanted something inexpensive that would function like a human hand on the end of an extension pole Jeff, an automotive engineer, worked on the challenge and came up with the design

Spray Close has other uses, such as touching up surfaces with spray paint and testing smoke detectors

Spray Close is carried by Meijer stores in five states It costs between \$8 99 and \$9 99

The quest also led to the beginning of Marina's company, Your Useful Products LLC, which is based in Commerce Township



Using the holder and string that come with Spray Close, an out of reach object can be sprayed without climbing on a ladder

For more information, call (248) 788-1536, e-mail marina yup@sbcglobal net The wasp nest that started it all? It's in the picture on the package

Mary Klemic Staff Writer

BROIDA

FROM PAGE DI

times, and in most cases the C220 delivered me to my destination without any mexplicable parking lot detours

Indeed, flaky routing often seems to be the nature of the GPS beast.

The aforementioned Mio C710 exhibited similar problems and my dad frequently regales me with stories of his GPS - a high end Magellan model - wanting him to follow bizarre, out-of-theway routes So what's the moral of the story?

tarters, if you plan on buv ing the Mio C220, make sure the store will give you a full refund if it acts as wiggy for you as it did for me. It really is a killer bargain, but if it doesn't navigate properly, its useless

Second, if you're taking a trip to unfamiliar territory, don't rely on your GPS alone. Bring along a printed map and directions from MapQuest or another service

Third, don't blindly follow your GPS's directions If it tells you to head south and you know for a fact you're supposed to go north, go north Eventually it'll recalculate the route and, it is hoped, get back on the right track

Finally, if you need driving directions and your GPS is in the other car, you can always fall

back on your phone

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on the Lathrup Village Home and Garden Tour, 10 a m to 4 pm Saturday, June 16

This years tour is the 10th co-sponsored by the Lathrup Village Historical Society and the Village Gardeneers

Features Several of Lathrup's demonstration rain gardens highlighted on the tour map for viewing, a garden boutique selling plants and unusual garden accessories, a garden cafe staffed by the Children's Garden, selling refreshments as a fund-raiser, display tables (staffed by volunteers from the Southeastern Oakland County Water Authority) with information on rain garden design and ınstallatıon, tree and flower selection, composting, garden maintenance and lawn care, master gardener volunteers available to answer questions and assist guests

Tickets \$12 in advance, \$15 the day of the event, \$8 for sen-10rs Ticket vouchers will be available starting Friday, June 1, at the Lathrup Village City Offices, 27400 Southfield Road, three blocks north of I-696, between 11 and 12 Mile

Information Call Susan Arneson at (248) 443-1703 or Marjory Miller at (248) 569-7973

Benefits Beautification projects throughout Lathrup Village

SYLVAN LAKE

The fourth annual Sylvan Lake Home and Garden Tour will take place 10 a m to 4 p m Saturday, June 16

Features Seven homes with gardens, and three additional gardens (residences include a kit home used by the Purple Gang for bootlegging during Prohibition), shuttle buses, musicians performing in Memorial Park

Tickets \$10 for groups of 10 or more, \$12 in advance, \$15 tour day They are available at Sylvan Lake City Hall, La Rosa Market and Detroit Garden Works On the day of the event, tickets will be sold in front of city hall

Information Call (248) 681-8624 or (248) 681-2750, or visit www.sylvantour.com

Benefits New community center that will be built this year

LIVONIA

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Information Call (734) 466-2540 or (734) 425-4855 Benefits Restoration and

preservation of Greenmead Historical Village

WAYNE

The Wayne Garden Club will present the Wayne Garden Walk 9 30 a m to 2 30 p m Saturday, June 23

Tickets To be sold the day of the event at Goudy Park Gardens, behind Wayne City Hall at 3355 S Wayne Road

Information Call Beverly at (734) 722-9666 or Sue at (734) 641-9888

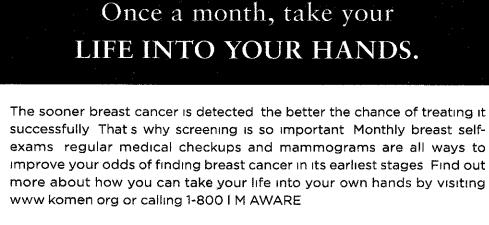
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BREAD PUDDING

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- /4 teaspoon ground nutmeg /₃ teaspoon salt
- /s teaspoon ground ginger (optional)
- 6 cups water ¼ cup (about) fresh fruit or/4 cup fat free or light frozen whipped topping thawed for

garnish (optional)

Preheat the oven to 325 degrees Fahrenheit Lightly spray four 5-ounce porcelain ramekins or glass custard cups with vegetable oil spray

In a medium bowl, stir togeth er the bread cubes and fruit Spoon into the ramekins

In a small bowl, gently whisk together the egg whites and brown sugar until well blended Gently whisk in the evaporated milk, maple syrup, rum, vanilla, cinnamon, nutmeg, salt and ginger Pour as much of the mixture as possible into the ramekins. making sure the bread cubes are soaked Refrigerate for 10 min utes so the bread cubes will

absorb the liquid Meanwhile, pour the water into a medium saucepan and bring to a boil over high heat

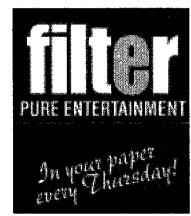
Arrange the ramekins in a large rectangular pan, such as a 13-by-9-by-2-inch baking dish, so they are evenly spaced, leaving at least 1 inch between ramekins Place the pan in the oven Slowly pour the hot water into the pan until about a third of the way up the sides of the ramekins, being careful to keep the water out of the ramekins

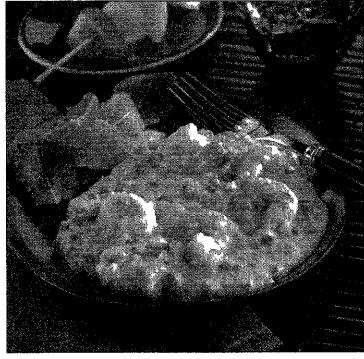
Bake for about 35 minutes, or until the tip of a knife inserted in the center comes out almost clean and the custard is almost set (it should jiggle slightly in the center when gently shaken) Very carefully remove the ramekins from the water bath and dry them off Let cool on a cooling rack for 5 minutes Garnish with fresh fruit or whipped topping

Nutrition analysis (per serving) Calories, 189, total fat, 10 g, saturated, 0 0 g, polyunsatu rated, 0 5 g, monounsaturated, 00 g, cholesterol, 4 mg, sodium, 332 mg carbohydrates, 35 g, dietary fiber, 3 g, sugars, 25 g, protein, 11 g

Dietary exchanges 11/2 starch, 1 skım mılk

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COURTESY AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION

This Shrimp and Grits entree also makes an excellent brunch dish

SHRIMP AND GRITS

Serves 4, 1 cup per serving 8 ounces peeled raw medium shrimp thawed if frozen 2 tablespoons water

/2 teaspoon seafood seasoning

1 teaspoon canola or corn oil 1 medium red bell pepper finely chopped

1 medium green bell pepper fine ly chopped

5 medium green onions chopped 2 cups fat free milk /2 cup uncooked quick cooking

grits /4 teaspoon salt /2 cup shredded reduced fat sharp Cheddar cheese

1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce (lowest sodium available) /2 teaspoon seafood seasoning blend

Heat a medium nonstick skillet over medium heat Cook the shrimp, water and ½ teaspoon seasoning blend for 5 minutes or until the shrimp turn pink on the outside and are opaque in the center, stirring frequently Pour ${\it into}~a~bowl$

In the same skillet, heat the oil, swirling to coat the bottom Cook the bell peppers and green

onions for 5 minutes, or until tender, stirring frequently Stir in the milk, grits and salt Increase the heat to medium high and bring to a boil Reduce the heat and simmer, covered, for 5 minutes, or until thickened, stirring occasionally Remove from the

Stir in the Cheddar, Worcestershire sauce, remaining sea soning blend and shrimp with any accumulated liquid Cover and let stand for 5 minutes so the flavors blend, the shrimp warm and the cheese melts

Tip This entree is also an excellent brunch dish

Nutrition analysis (per serv ing) Calories, 218, total fat, 30 g, saturated, 1 0 g, polyunsaturated, 0 5 g, monounsaturated, 10 g, cholesterol, 89 mg, sodium, 540 mg, carbohydrates 28 g, dietary fiber, 3 g, sugars 10 g, protein, 19 g

Dietary exchanges 1 starch, 1/2 vegetable, /2 skim milk, 2 very lean meat

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SKILLET HAM HASH

Serves 4, 1 cup per serving 2 teaspoons olive oil 1 large green beil pepper diced 1 large red bell pepper diced 1 medium onion diced /2 cup diced lower sodium low

fat ham (about 4 ounces) all visible fat discarded 3 cups frozen fat free southern

style diced hash brown pota toes thawed 1/2 teaspoon salt free Cajun or

Creole seasoning blend 2 tablespoons snipped fresh parsley

/4 teaspoon salt

/4 teaspoon pepper

In a large nonstick skillet, heat the oil over medium heat swirling to coat the bottom Cook the bell peppers and onion for 4 to 5 minutes, or until tender, stirring occasionally Stir in the ham Cook for 1 to 2 minutes, or until warmed through, stirring occasionally Stir in the hash browns and seasoning blend Cook without stirring for 4 minutes, or until the bottom is gold

will be redistributed) Cook without stirring for 4 minutes, or until the bottom is golden brown and the mixture is warmed

Stir in the parsley, salt and pepper Spoon onto plates

Cooks tip If you can t find salt free Cajun or Creole season ing blend or just prefer to make vour own stir together I teaspoon each chile powder, onion powder garlic powder, dried thyme paprika and ground cumin in a small bowl Makes 2 tablespoons Store in an airtight container for up to 6 months

Nutrition analysis (per serving) Calories, 207, total fat, 35g saturated, 05g, polyunsaturated, 0 5 g monounsaturated 20 g, cholesterol, 12 mg sodium 420 mg, carbohydrates, 37 g dietary fiber, 5 g, sugars, 6 g, protein, 9 g

Dietary exchanges 2 starch, 1/2 vegetable,/2 lean meat Reprinted with permission from Healthy Soul Food Recipes @2007 by the American Heart Association Published by Publications International Ltd

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"Martinborough has the driest climate of any region on the North Island," said TK's managing director Andrew Shackleton We are blessed to have six vinevards within the Martinborough appellation Each has distinctive characteristics, suited to the different varieties that we have planted Since we tend each vineyard differently, it's possible for us to craft a blend to consistently create the TK style each vintage"

These six vineyards are subdivided into 65 different parcels which are picked separately Each shows differences in flavors, texture, structure, acidity and overall balance

When we visited TK a few years ago, we were impressed by the well-drained gravelly river terraces with slopes of varying aspects Area mountains protect the vines from harsh climatic influences, while creating cool and breezy conditions on warm summer days, that keep grape acids high to ensure balanced wines that are not flabby

TK'S WHITE WINES

TK's 2006 Martinborough Sauvignon Blanc \$19 is highlighted by grapefruit, lime and tropical fruit aromatic elements Its zesty freshness belies its broad mouthfeel and generous fruit component

Our yields are low, Shackleton noted, 'so we achieve significant tropical fruit flavors which make the wine very versatile with food"

Two chardonnays are produced but the 2005 Casarma Reserve Chardonnay \$30, produced from a selected pick of barrel-fermented fruit and lees



Focus on Wine

Ray and Eleanor Heald

contact that adds complexity, is one to seek out. Its rich, full and lively fresh fruit are delightful

PINOT NOIR

Three tiers of pinot noir allow consumers to please both purse and palate

2006 Te Karranga Martinborough Estate Pinot Noir \$20 is approachable and ready to drink now Its floral elements and gentle, npe cherrylike fruit have a silky texture and underlying notes of brown spices 2005 Te Kaıranga

Martinborough Runholder Pinot Noir \$30 is named for the New Zealand equivalent of a land holder and "reflects the pioneer spirit of the region,' Shackleton notes Ageing in a variety of French oak barrels offers the wine enhanced complexity and structure Peppery hints and anise notes create a most inter-

esting pour 2003 Te Kaıranga Martinborough Reserve Pinot Noir \$45 represents the top of the line The 2005 release will drop the reserve designation and be rebranded to John Martin Pinot Noir, paying homage to Martinborough's founder Forest floor and mushroom characters complement cherry fruit bursting on the palate. Sleek, supple and streamlined, it quantifies not only TK's but Martinborough's excellence and the closest analog to red Burgundies

The appeal of New Zealand pinot noirs is that they are more Old World than New in style They don't exhibit in-your-face fruit and high alcohol Rather, they are restrained, layered and overall more food compatible because of their pure fruit elegance

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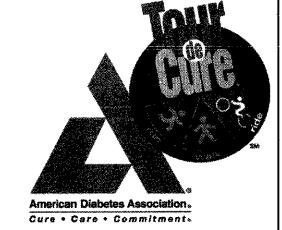
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Fashion Conscience

Students revitalize denim in Earth-friendly way ® By Wensdy Von Buskirk

the average woman owns five pairs of jeans she never wears That pile of unloved denim not only cramps closet space, it impacts the environment as well Two local college students recently came up with an eco-chic way to breathe new life

into old jeans Lon R. Maday and Katie Cauzillo, who graduated this spring from Detroit's College for Creative Studies, conceived a senior proj-. ect to make blue jeans more sustainable

Their 'Vital Jeans' experiment was such a success, they've been invited to present the project during the Green Bauhaus International Design Conference in Germany this weekend

, From Field to Fashion

Maday, 21, and Cauzillo, 24, both graduated from Waterford Kettering High School and attended CCS, where they met When they found themselves in the same Advanced Visual Communications class, they teamed up for an assignment on sustainability

"We were supposed to come up with a project where we re-use a product and don't create more waste with the final solution, while bringing awareness to people about how wasteful this product can be if it is not recycled,' Maday explained "We did a selfaudit on what we use during the week, and found we wore jeans the most.'

The pair began to research denim, and discovered women purchase more jeans than men, and affluent women consume more jeans than their less-wealthy counterparts Yet changing trends often lead women to abandon their denim too soon

"For a product to be considered sustainable it needs to be used at least as long as it takes to produce,' Maday said "It takes a year to grow cotton, so jeans must be worn at least a year to be considered sustainable

Maday and Cauzillo decided to focus on getting jeans out of storage in suburbia, and into the hands of inner-city women who would put them to use

Strictly through word-of-mouth, they collected denim from friends, family and coworkers Within two weeks, they had more than 80 pairs Then came the question of how to make the used jeans appeal to a brand new demographic.

Revitalization Project

The girls decided to re-brand the jeans with a unified label and signature color

"We came up with the name 'Vital' because clothes are necessary and jeans seem to be the most worn,' Maday said

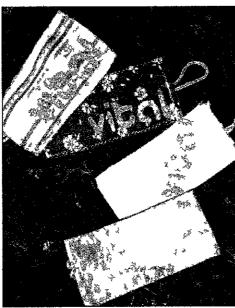
The girls added two hot pink stitches to the right thigh of each pair, and tagged them with cute fabric scraps stamped with pink lettering

The pink thread was to mean connecting the community, connecting the suburbs and females with a restricted budget downtown," she said "We created the tags that would display our name and give the pants more of an off-the-shelf look.

To reach their audience and reinforce their mission, they set up a Vital Jeans table during "Recycle Detroit at Cass Park on April 21



Vital Jeans' Katie Cauzillo and Lori R Maday, joined by Amie Maday, during 'Recycle Detroit' on April 21



The annual Earth Day event included a parade and park clean-up, and Vital Jeans joined the Cass Tech High School Fashion Club to present a runway show of clothing made from recycled materials

'After the fashion show our table was just swarmed for two hours," Maday said Girls were looking through the jeans for that specific pair that was right for them

At \$2 each, Vital Jeans were a hit Maday and Cauzillo were able to raise \$200, which they donated to the Barrat House, along with the few pairs of jeans that remained

Jean Mapping

The Vital Jeans project was such a grade A success, the girls are thinking about ways to sustain it, perhaps by setting up tables at future street fairs like Dally in the Alley this

In the meantime, Maday will travel to Loccum Protestant Academy in Germany for the Green Bauhaus Design Conference,



The Vital Jeans project revitalized used denim with pink stitching and handmade tags (left)

joined by CCS Instructor Callie Johnson Part of European Sustainability Berlin 2007, the Green Bauhaus conference will draw designers from around the world who are striving to implement Earth-friendly

A presentation on the Ford River Rouge Plant's green rooftop also is on the agenda. Although Cauzillo will not be able to

attend, Maday will show a Vital Jeans video and share information at the conference Overall, the project aims to highlight the environmental impact of an everyday item

Because of the changes in the fashion industry causing a large demand for jeans, we are bringing awareness to how they are made, Maday said "It is a long, drawn-out process that uses a lot of water and chemicals that can be harmful to the environ-

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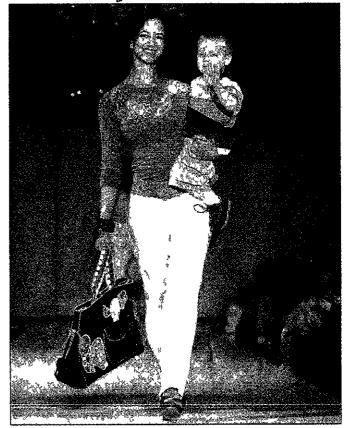


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Weekend Wear

Look casually pulled together no matter what you've got to carry in this ensemble from Oilily Here white jeans and an embroidered tee are dolled up with accessories including a suede tote, colorful bangles and woven leather belt. This was one of many looks presented during the 'Women Helping Women fashion show luncheon on April 28 at the Royal Park Hotel in Rochester The runway show, which benefitted Grace Centers of Hope, featured clothing from the Somerset Collection modeled by professionals, along with women and children who've been helped by GCOH, including Alex, shown here wearing an adorable boy's ensemble from Lord & Taylor For more weekend wear ideas from the show, click on PINK at www hometownlife com

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