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# **Shoppers start** your engines: IKEA opening a week away

BY CAROL MARSHALL STAFF WRITER

In just a little less than a week, IKEA Canton will open its doors and show its customers - as if they needed instructions - how to shop.

So what's inside the big yellow and blue building in Canton? Just about everything for the home, said KEA spokesman

Joseph Roth, The

store carries more

than 10,000 differ-

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just inside the

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### IKEA CANTON

Address: 41640 Ford Road, Canton. At Haggerty, just west of

Web site: www.ikea.com Open: June 7, 9 a.m., with a grand opening ceremony beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Hours of business: 10 a.m. - 9 p.m. daily.

Phone number: (734) 981-6300 Parking: Besides the parking lot in front of the store, IKEA Canton will have two off-site parking lots. One is just east of the store, across Haggerty Road. The other is northeast, also off Haggerty Road. Shuttle busses will transport shoppers to and from the parking lots.

Getting there: IKEA is just off I-275 in Canton, halfway between I-96 and I-94. Take the Ford Road exit, and head west. IKEA is on the north side of Ford Road, and is visible from 1-275.

to select everything they need for the home. The escalator just inside the front door is the starting point for nearly 2 million shoppers expected to visit every year.

Arrows on the floor direct shoppers through the 311,000 square feet of shopping space. Displays are



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Visual marketing specialist Josh Elliott, at right, of Canton, shows Anthony Garcia how to set up a display. Elliott tells Garcia to treat the display of \$1.49 waste baskets the same as you would treat a display of expensive items. Garcia lives in White Lake.

set up to include every element - from sofas to shelving and entertainment stands, to tables, candles and picture frames, to throw rugs and blankets – and are designed to look as if the people living there simply left the room for a minute.

The only difference is the fact every item has a tag - either red or yellow. Red tag items can be found and carried out of a massive warehouse area on the first floor. Yellow tag items (such as large) furniture - sofas and the like) must be retrieved by IKEA staff from a warehouse located just off the self-serve warehouse area. Tags specify what warehouse aisle, row and bin number each item will be found.

Shoppers are directed through home office and IKEA in the workplace

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# O&E, CBS Radio form online partnership

The Observer  $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{C}}$  Eccentric Newspapers and the CBS Radio Detroit group have teamed up to bring readers and listeners a new online resource that offers the most extensive community news and information throughout southeast Michigan.

Six CBS-owned radio stations in Detroit - 104.3 WOMC, WWJ Newsradio 950, 99.5 WYCD, WXYT 1270, V98.7 Smooth Jazz and Live 97.1 WKRK - have launched DetroitAtHome.com, an online resource for everything. going on in and around metro Detroit. All stations will have a DetroitAtHome.com presence on their Web sites, on-air and on their streaming broadcasts, too.

Beginning today, all of the radio station sites link to local news and sports at hometownlife.com

This partnership with CBS Radio takes the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers a step closer to a local 24/7 media resource for our readers, advertisers and online users," said Peter Neill, vice president and general manager of the OਈE. "The convergence of print, online and broadcast is the way forward in the world of instant information. The coming together with DetroitAtHome.com gives our online users one unique place where they can discover everything that is happening in the

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Challenging for the Cup

Liridon Giocai of Westland (in red) fights Canton's Gregg Rupp for possession of the ball during a Canton Cup match last weekend. The 2006 Canton Cup attracted 449 teams, which played a total of 743 games at Independence, Heritage and Griffin Parks. Twelve Canton teams won titles and 18 finished runners-up in this year's tourney. To read more about the Canton Cup see today's sports section, Page B1.

# District plots bond choices

February vote possible as board tries to recoup money spent on property

> BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Less than a month after Plymouth-Canton Community Schools voters sent a clear message by defeating two bond proposals worth \$120 million, Superintendent Jim Ryan is working to develop another bond issue that could come before voters

"My No. 1 need, as superintendent, is to try and recoup the \$2.3 million to reimburse the general fund budget for the purchase of the middle school

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### Fire erupts after car hits Crow's Nest bar

BY CAROL MARSHALL STAFF WRITER

The damages to a local watering hole could have been much worse than they were, when a driver ran into the side of the Crow's Nest on Canton Center Road, hit a gas line, and caused a fire.

The fire started at approximately 9:46 p.m. on Memorial Day. Because it was a holiday, the Crow's Nest had a full crowd, according to Fire Marshal Frank Barrett.

Yet, all customers inside the building were able to escape safely, and there were no injuries.

The only casualty was the back one-third of the building, which was damaged badly, Barrett said. But quick thinking by firefighters kept the building from being destroyed, and kept the broken gas line from causing an explosion.

"We originally got a call about a car fire," Barrett said. "In responding to that, we found it was a building fire. A car had hit the building, and had hit the gas meter, and broke the gas line, causing a fire."

It took approximately two hours for the fire department to coordinate with the gas company and the electric company and get power to the building shut off. In the meantime, firefighters had to keep flames away from the broken gas line.

"We put up a water curtain on the inside," Barrett said, explaining that a water curtain is a spray pattern from the hose, which keeps the fire from being able to pass through to other areas of the building.

"We maintained that for a couple of hours until we could get the power turned off," Barrett said. Firefighters also cut a trench in the roof, which

allowed smoke to escape the building, and used positive pressure at the front door, which pushed a lot of heat and smoke to the rear of the building. "The front two-thirds of the building is intact and

in great condition. It smells like smoke, but then again, it's a bar," Barrett said. The driver of the car that struck the building was

given a breathalyzer test, and was not drunk, according to Canton Police Sgt. Rick Pomorski.

We don't know what caused the accident in the first place," Pomorski said.

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**Coming Sunday** 

### New mom's group

Canton Area Moms 4 Community, is hosting a picnic in Canton's Heritage Park at 4 p.m. on Sunday, June 4. Moms from the Canton area are invited to get information about this new mom's group or to join. Membership is open to all local moms. For more information contact Bridget at (734) 729-0121.

### Chiefette bottle drive

The Canton High Chiefette Pom Pon Squads will hold a bottle drive on Saturday, June 3 throughout Canton and Plymouth. Proceeds from the event will benefit the squads in the upcoming competition sea-

### Dog walk

The 4th Annual Tails & Trails Charity Dog Walk, normally held in September, will be held on Saturday, June 3, at Heritage Park in Canton. Registration/check-in begins at 9 a.m. and the event will begin promptly at 10 a.m., rain or shine.

Along with the new date, the

event will also feature new entertainment and a new designated charity: the Humane Society of Huron Valley. This is a pledge event with 100 percent of the pledge dollars collected by participants going to HSHV. This annual event is one of the Plymouth/Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club's major fundraisers and allows them to sponsor community programs throughout the year.

Activities for the day will include agility and obedience demonstrations by Canine Training & Sports Center of Canton, a pet care seminar courtesy of Michigan Vet Specialists, vendor booths with pet-related products, food concessions and contests for owner and dog alike to participate in, with lots of prizes to be awarded. A variety of local rescue groups will also attend. Emcee for the day is Channel 7's Skycaptain Dennis Neubacher.

Registration is \$15 per dog in advance or \$20 the day of the event. Walk-ups are welcome, but pre-registration is strongly encouraged and the

first 150 registered dogs will receive a free goody bag. Current vaccination records must be presented at time of check-in.

For more information or to request a registration form, visit www.pckiwanis.org, email info@pckiwanis.org or call Carol at (734) 451-3500. Anyone interested in being a vendor or sponsor should contact the Kiwanis Club for more details or visit their Web site at www.pckiwanis.org.

### Salon helps fight MS

On June 11, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., Blondie & Leftv's Hair Salon, 42013 Ford Road in Canton (Sears Plaza), will be offering haircuts for \$20 and partial foil highlights for \$30, with all proceeds going to the MS Foundation. They will also have hot dogs and bake goods for sale. Come and help support MS treatment and research.

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Night Party needs help.

The decorating committee is in need of many more volunteers to help create and paint displays for this yearly event. The committee will also need help setting up the party on June 10.

Parents of current seniors and juniors are encouraged to sign up.

For more information, contact chairperson Joanne Kokoszka at (734) 453-5233.

### A soulful performance

Acclaimed folk music singer and songwriter Don Conoscenti will make a special appearance from 2-5 p.m. on Saturday, June 3 at the Canton Public Library's Open Mic program. The acoustic musician is known for his live performances, in which he fuses a blend of rock, jazz, blues, folk, funk and country. He has been spotlighted on NPR, World Café and Acoustic Café. Admission is free.

For more information about the Open Mic series at the Canton Public Library, visit is www.cantonpl.org for future dates and times or call the library at (734) 397-0999.

Fax ......(734) 459-4224



### **River rescuers**

Volunteers will again head out to Canton's Flodin Park for the annual Rouge Rescue from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturday, June 3. The park is located on the southeast corner of Saltz and Morton-Taylor roads. The event will take place rain or shine and volunteers of all ages, including residents, students and scout troops, are encouraged to participate. Activities will include guided nature walks, building birdhouses, planting of native plants, shrubs, and bulbs, removing a silt fence, river cleaning efforts, and streambank stabilization. The event will also focus on educational topics such as the removal of invasive species and a living science exhibit with live bats will demonstrate how important they are to our environment. All volunteers will receive a Tshirt, donuts and drinks for breakfast, and a barbecue lunch. Volunteers should come dressed for the weather, and jeans and boots should be worn. Registration will begin at 8 a.m. in the parking lot of Flodin Park. For more information call Canton Public Works at (734) 394-5150. For more about Rouge Rescue, please see page A13.

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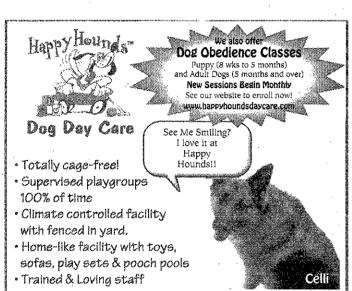
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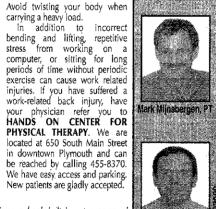
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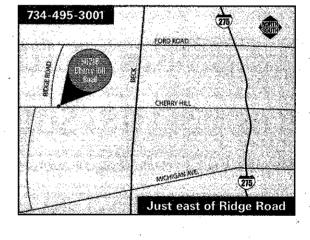


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# Layoff forces homeowner associations to turn elsewhere

STAFF WRITER

Since 2000, Canton had been the only community in Michigan to have a go-to person for developing, new and in-transition subdivisions. But at the end of April, when the township eliminated its unique neighborhood coordinator position, Canton homeowners groups were left uncertain of who they should call when they need information on everything from replacing trees to problematic sewers.

"I just don't want it to be like it was before the neighborhood coordinator position was created," said Charles Mott, president of the Canton Homeowners Advisory Council. "You didn't know who to talk to, and we'd have to call many departments before we finally got the right person to

help us." Because Canton Township homeowners associations must arrange to provide services that would normally be provided for in a city - such as street snow plowing, subdivision road repairs and landscaping maintenance in common areas - and homeowners association boards seats are filled by volunteers who have little to no knowledge of how to contract for those services, the township hired a "go-to" person to help those communities in transition, under development, and those which were already

up and running and addressing long-term maintenance issues.

Canton Township created the neighborhood coordinator position in 2000, when the township's residential building boom was still in full-swing. The township board hired Kris Sanders to do the job.

But the slow-down in residential development - and the 70 percent drop in revenue once generated by residential building permits - prompted the township board of trustees in April to eliminate the neighborhood coordinator position, despite the fact that Sanders had shifted much of her professional focus away from new development and toward existing neighborhood associations, as a result of the slower building activity and the existence of maturing neighborhoods in the township.

It was in fact part of the township's long-term plan for the neighborhood coordinator position, according to the minutes of a March 30, 2004, township board meeting, at which Municipal Services Director Tim Faas stated that as Canton matures, Sanders' time would be primarily spent with homeowners associations. Sanders herself said at the April meeting when the public learned her position would be eliminated that she had been spending only about 15 percent of her work week helping transitioning associations and 85

percent of her time helping existing neighborhoods.

Her dismissal has left Mott wondering who will pick up the phone to answer questions when one of Canton's homeowner associations is having a problem with their sewers. Or their landscaping contractor. Or with a developer who is still working on a new subdivision.

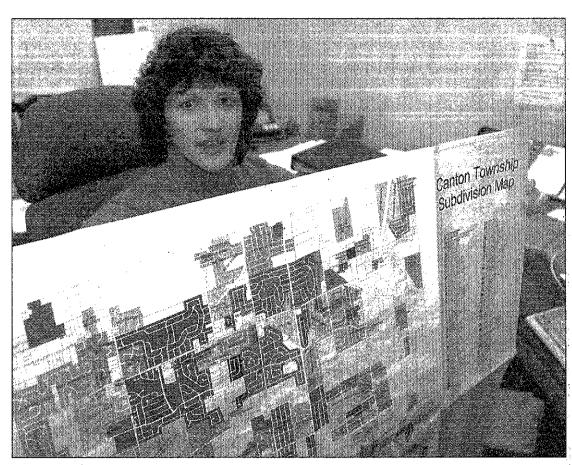
And there are plenty of those. Currently in Canton, there are 25 residential construction projects underway, and another 39 are under review by the planning department.

The elimination of the neighborhood coordinator position will mean that Mott and other homeowners will call the Township Supervisor's office, the Municipal Services Department or the Leisure Services department, depending on the situation, said Municipal Services Director Tim Faas.

"This is how it is in other communities. To the best of my knowledge, Canton was the only municipality in the state to have a neighborhood coordinator," Faas said.

So now, to get help, residents may call:

■ Township Supervisor's office at 394-5185 if it's an issue in a neighborhood with an established homeowners association. Faas said examples of these calls would be associations that need help dealing



Now that Kris Sanders, former neighborhood coordinator for Canton Township, has been laid off, homeowners associations will have to look elsewhere for answers to their problems.

with complaints or need information on special assessment districts for roads, sidewalks and sewers. The Homeowners Advisory Council will call the supervisor's office as well.

Municipal Services at 394-5160 if it's an issue in a subdivision which is still under construction or in transition.

Don Conoscenti, acclaimed

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■ Leisure Services at 394-5460 for information on the township's Beautification Awards and Council for Community Excellence.

Although he's not necessarily happy about it, Mott has faith it'll work out now that Sanders

We have to make it work,"

he said. "The way the township is handling eliminating that position should work out OK for us, or better than it was before (Sanders) was hired. The township has always worked really well for its citizens."

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Alice S. Aho

Helen Giacobazzi Giacobazzi, 91, of Farmington Hills, died May 21.

Teresa Giffels-Byrne Giffels-Byrne, 79, of Novi, died May 27.

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Claudette Krumm

Krumm, 71, of Plymouth, died May 25.

Leyh, 73, of Bingham Farms, died May 24.

Leah S. Morton Morton, 98, formerly of Rochester, died.

Mary Jane Roberge Roberge, 84, of Redford Township, died May 22.

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Thompson, 87, of Birmingham, died May 7.

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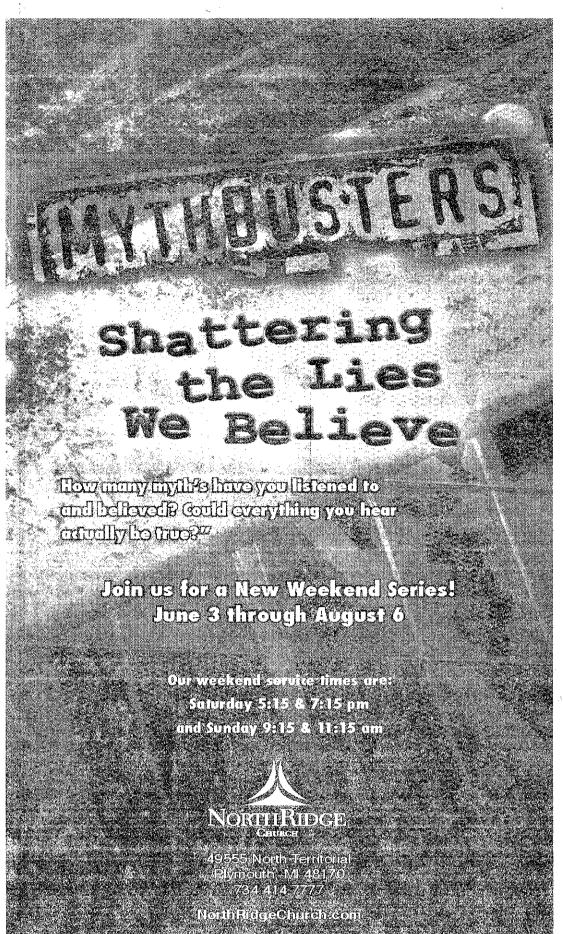
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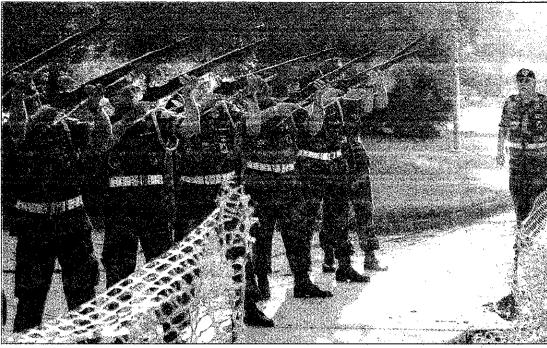
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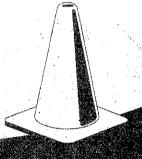
Members of Vietnam Veterans of America chapter 528 fire a 21-gun salute at the site of the new veterans' memorial located in front of Central Middle School in downtown Plymouth during Monday's Memorial Day parade. Among those who attended the annual parade included Brig. Gen. Carol Ann Fausone of Canton, the adjutant general of veteran's affairs for the state of Michigan. Fausone was the main speaker for the ceremonies, and challenged those in attendance not to forget those who gave their lives. "Courageous Americans have worn this uniform and given their lives so that others could live in freedom," she told the crowd. "All who enjoy the liberties and the blessings live because of their sacrifice. It is our duty as citizens to remember these fallen, to pass their memories on to generations to follow, and to never forget their sacrifice."

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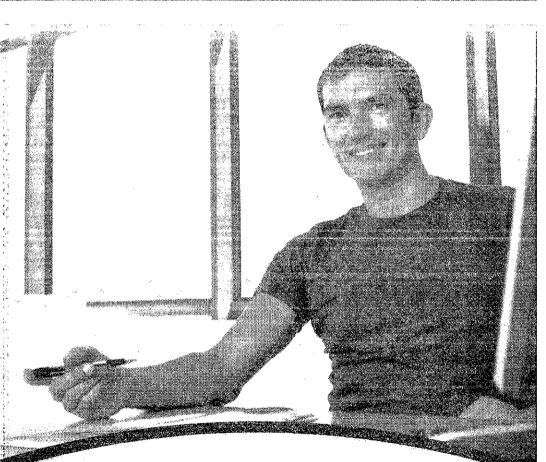
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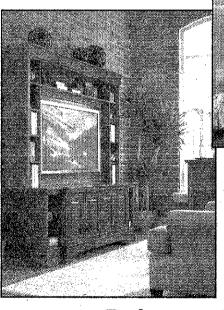


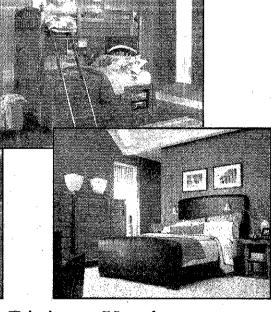
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land," Ryan said. "Because without that \$2.3 million, the 2007-08 school year will have some cuts that are very frightening, and won't reflect the Plymouth-Canton Schools as we know them right now."

Among the many components of the May 2 bond issues was to reimburse the district the \$2.3 million it paid for 24 acres of land bought on Cherry Hill just west of Canton Center in Canton. The district has until April 2007 to recoup the pay-

For a district that has a shrinking fund balance, the \$2.3 million represents the difference between solvency and cutting programs and services.

"Class size would be a No. 1 issue," Ryan said when outlining possible cuts if the money isn't put back in the general fund. "All the extra things we try to do, like writing and math labs, would be big ... nurses ... everything that is so crucial to this daily operation, that nobody knows about, would probably be on the chopping block.

The \$2.3 million is a need," said Ryan. "Nobody can tell me it's a want."

Voters in all six communities that make up Plymouth-Canton Schools rejected - by a vote of 7,609-7,340 - \$94.5 million for building expansions, a new middle school in Canton and a Career and Technical Education center at the high school park.

The second proposal - for \$24.8 million to build a theater and varsity soccer field at P-CEP, a swimming pool at Plymouth High School, an auxiliary gym at Salem High School and improvements to the baseball and softball fields at Canton High School

- lost 8,598 to 6,064. Ryan admits to learning a few lessons from residents who weren't willing to raise their taxes.

The economy had some effect on this bond, so they won't see any theaters or pools or athletic upgrades (in a new bond)," Ryan said. "Anything we come back for will be needs. We'll be able to

explain how we're going to pay for and operate it."

Ryan said he's already focusing on areas he still believes need to be addressed in the next bond issue.

'We'll go back to looking at the growth and focusing on the middle school, because that's what's going to give us our \$2.3 million back, and work from there," Ryan said. "I think discussion will range if we do anything at our elementary schools vs. a new school, because that was an

"At the Park, I don't believe we can take a look at a standalone career and technical center, again," he said. "But, since we believe in it so much and it can help us with our growth at the park, we will look at how we can attack that issue with the most prudent plan that people will say are all needs."

Newly elected trustee Dianne Gonzalez is hopeful the current board will wait until she and Steven Sneideman take office next month before making any decisions on a new bond

"I think it would be very unproductive to jump to a bond that quickly," Gonzalez

"I want to look at all the information and talk to people on the bond steering committee. I want to do more research and bat ideas around and make decisions about what's best."

Sneideman said he believes the current board will involve the two new trustees if they begin discussions before July.

"I would like to be involved since I will have to promote it," Sneideman said. "I think they will probably include us in the discussions.

Trustees Barry Simescu and Tom Wysocki said they expect to include the new board members in any discussions involving another bond issue.

"They absolutely must be involved. It's important to have their input," Simescu

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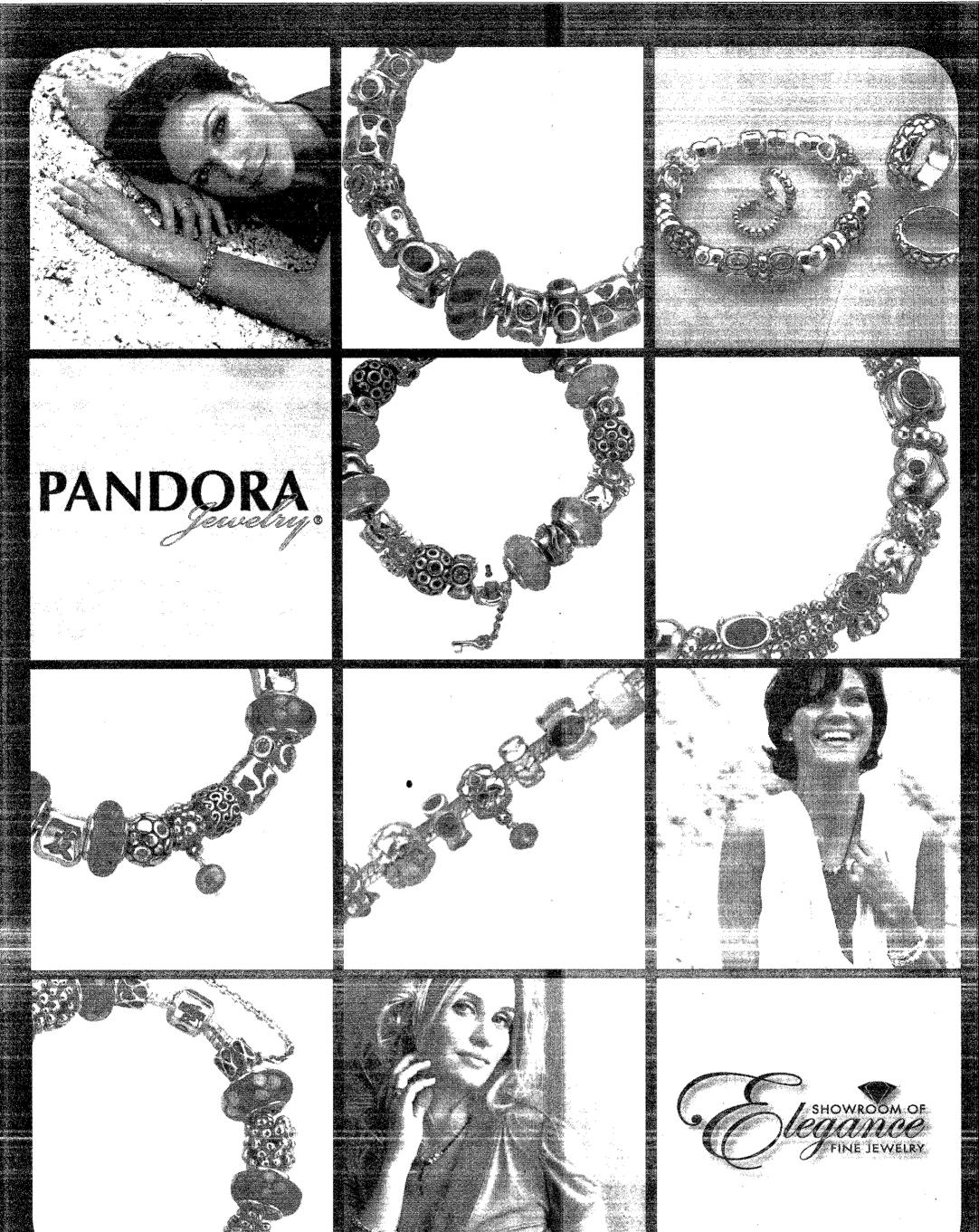
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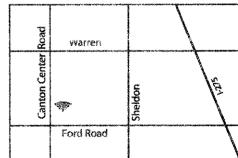
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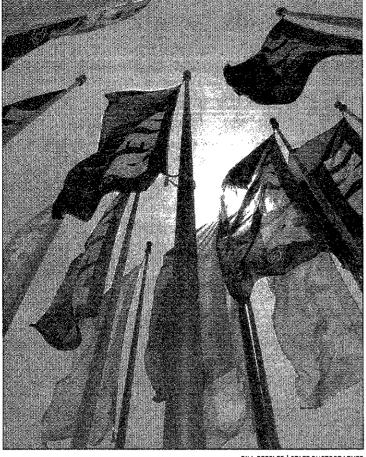
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### Sorority honor Presidential scholar

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Radcliffe was named a

Presidential Scholar in Mathematics. Radcliffe is majoring in both mathematics and Spanish and has prepared herself for a future career as a university professor after she graduates this December. In addition to teaching opportunities through the Undergraduate Teaching Assistant program, she worked on a graph theory research project with a faculty mentor that has resulted in three scholarly papers, one of which has been accepted for publication. Radcliffe is a member of the Phi Kappa Phi national honor society, WMU's Lee Honors College, and vice president of Pi Mu Epsilon, the mathematics honor society. She has won several university honors, including a Medallion Scholarship, WMU's highest honor for an incoming freshman, and an Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities Award. She is the daughter of David Radcliffe of Westland and Linda Radcliffe

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Several local students were recently honored for exceptional academic achievement during Albion College's annual Honors Convocation. Albion College faculty chose the following students to receive awards, in recognition of their outstanding scholarship.

Kara Christenson received a Jay Olson Memorial Essay Award in German. She is a

senior majoring in English and German. She is the daughter of Keith and Dawn Christenson of Canton and a graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School.

Sarah Jose received a Jean Keller Memorial Essay in Spanish Award. Jose is a firstyear student at Albion College and is a member of the Gerstacker Liberal Arts Program in Professional Management. She is the daughter of Richard and Deborah Jose of Canton and a graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School.

### Outstanding student

Canton's Chris Lamasse recently received the **Outstanding Student Award** from the Business and Management Department during the annual Honors Convocation at Siena Heights University.

Lamasse, a senior who received a bachelor's degree in business administration May 7. is a member of the Siena Heights chapter of Sigma Beta Delta, the National Business Honors Society. He was a member of the SHU men's soc cer team, earning all-conference and academic all-conference honors.

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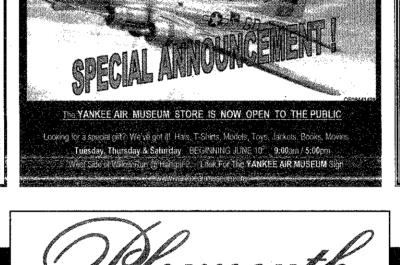
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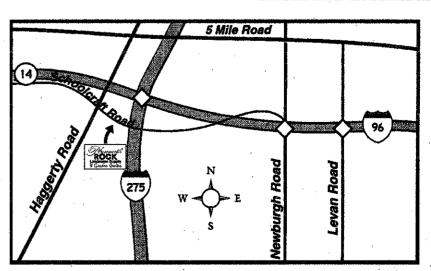
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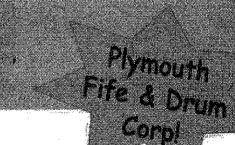
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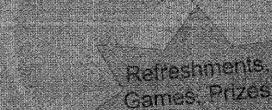
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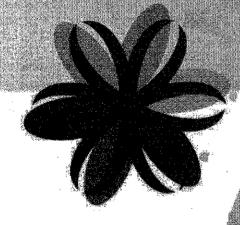
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# Metro authority unveils model of north terminal

The Wayne County Airport Authority May 25 unveiled a model of the north terminal which is under construction at Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport. The eightfoot-long model of the 26-gate terminal was displayed at the Authority Board's meeting along with 13 large conceptual renderings including interior

"We have been talking about this terminal and showing drawings over the past couple of years," said airport CEO Lester Robinson. "But the three-dimensional model provides the viewer a much better understanding of how the terminal will look and operate."

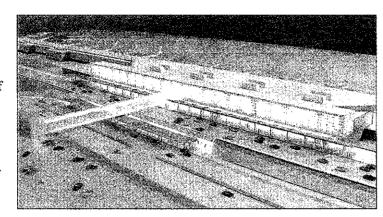
Also on display at the meeting were samples of a variety of materials and interior finishes proposed for the \$418 million project.

Site preparation is well under way, with the old Davey Terminal demolished and massive wrecking equipment continuing its assault on the former Marriott Hotel, which

should be down early in June. Work on installing a mat foundation for the north terminal check-in building has begun and soon the old apron (aircraft parking area) will be broken up. Bids have been received for structural steel and steel piles and the construction and installation of a hydrant fueling system which are being reviewed by the project team. In the meantime,



Artist's view of the passenger waiting area in the new North Terminal.



An artist's rendering of Detroit Metropolitan Airport's new North Terminal

Spirit Airlines will soon be closing three gates on the north side of old concourse C and shifting those operations to gates on the south side to make room for the north terminal project. This will have no impact on customers.

According to north terminal project director Jon Hypnar, the design should be 100 percent complete by the end of June and approximately 7,000 tons of structural steel will begin arriving on the construction site early this fall. Twentysix jet bridges have been purchased and the baggage system contract has been awarded.

"With its simple linear design and modern conveniences, the north terminal will

represent a significant upgrade in customer conveniences compared to the Smith and Berry Terminals," said Robinson. "It will also provide a considerable improvement in efficiency for the airlines.

Scheduled airlines to relocate from the aging Smith and Berry Terminals to the new north terminal include: Air Canada, American, Air Tran, Frontier, Southwest, Spirit, United, USAirways/American West and USA 3000 as well as non-scheduled airlines such as Champion Air, Ryan Air and others. International carriers

British Airways, Lufthansa and Royal Jordanian will move from the McNamara Terminal. Northwest Airlines and its SkyTeam partners, Northwest Airlink, Air France, Continental and Delta will remain in the McNamara Terminal which opened in February 2002.

The north terminal is still on schedule for a 2008 grand opening. The Airport Authority plans to install the model in the check-in lobby of the Smith Terminal and display renderings at www.metroairpark.com.

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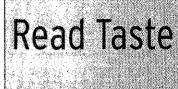


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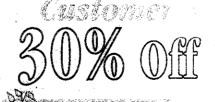
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It's been 20 years since a group of volunteers embarked on an ambitious journey to restore the Rouge River, which had become one of the most polluted rivers in the country after decades of mismanagement.

At the time of the first Rouge Rescue, in June 1986, many areas of the Rouge were filled with trash, smelly and dangerous. Although organizers weren't sure how many people would show up, some 2,000 volunteers came out, proving there was plenty of interest in restoring the highly urbanized watershed.

In that first year, volunteers descended on the river at 18 different sites and concentrated their efforts on pulling shopping carts, cars and other manmade debris from the river, and cutting away the many logjams that impeded the river's flow.

The Rouge River, and Rouge Rescue event itself, have come a long way since that first year. The health of the river has improved dramatically, as municipalities, flooded with federal money, have fixed aging sewer systems and enacted stricter planning laws to comply with the federal Clean Water Act. Public education has also been a big part of changing people's habits and attitudes. Most people now know you shouldn't pour used motor oil down a storm drain at the end of the street.

While there is much work to do before the restoration is complete, the Rouge River National Wet Weather Demonstration Project is now a model of how to reclaim a river system. Throughout the Rouge, dissolved oxygen levels, so important for aquatic organisms, have improved and dangerous E. coli bacteria levels have dropped.

Rouge Rescue, always held the first Saturday in June, has also evolved. Because trash isn't as prevalent as it once was, volunteers now perform more constructive activities, such as planting native plants or removing non-native invasive plants, building trails, or just going on a guided nature walk. They also don't tear out all the logjams anymore, something that proved harmful to the river in the past.

This Saturday, about 3,700 volunteers are expected to come out to 44 sites in 27 Rouge communities, according to Friends of the Rouge, the organization that was born of that first Rouge Rescue 20 years ago. And while the volunteers will do plenty of work, the event will also be a celebration of how far the Rouge River has come since the spirit of those first volunteers changed its course. We can't wait to see how the river looks in another 20 years.

### Authority best plan for mental health

The Wayne County Commission is moving forward on a plan to transfer control of the Detroit Wayne County Mental Health Agency from the county to an independ-

A resolution was introduced last week to separate mental health services from county government.

Under the proposal, the authority could begin replacing current staff by September 2007. Mental health workers would become employees of the authority and not the coun-The executive director would hire top staff members instead of the county executive. The authority would approve purchases and make contracts without county approval. The county's allocation for mental health funds would

be frozen at the 2005-06 level of about \$17.7 million. The authority would have control over millions of dollars in state and federal Medicaid funding, currently at risk.

The commission is expected to move on the resolution in the next two weeks.

The action follows years of wrangling over the county's handling of state and federal funding. Proposals in the state House and Senate threaten to withhold funding unless an authority were created to replace county control.

County Executive Robert Ficano has long argued that many of the problems within the county Mental Health Board were caused by the current board makeup of six members appointed by the executive and six by the mayor of Detroit. Last week, the commission passed a resolution to change the board makeup to 13 members all appointed by the executive, subject to approval by the state Legislature.

Ficano has said he wants what's best for mental health dients and wants a "local solution" short of an independent authority.

At this stage, it looks like the commission will move ahead on an authority. It is also clear that the current state Legislature, which controls the purse strings, will not accept anything less.

It is time to move forward on creating an authority.



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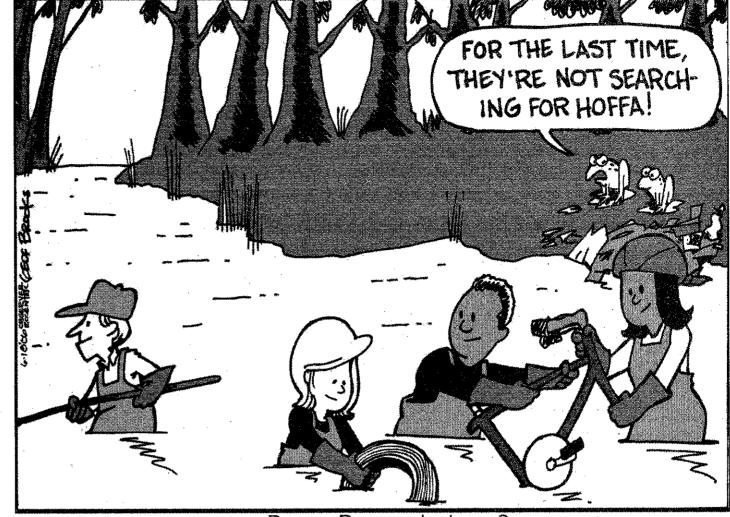
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On May 20-21, Canton hosted its eighth annual Relay for Life. Once again, it was a tremendous success. As we closed the 24-hour event on Sunday morning, we announced that we had raised over \$250,000. All the funds that were raised will be used to fund valuable research in the hope of one day finding a cure for this dreadful disease and provide important services for cancer

As I step down, after eight years as chairperson of the Canton Relay for Life, I realize that the Canton Relay has touched so many lives. We honored 205 cancer survivors during the Survivor Walk that kicked off this year's event. It was an amazing experience complete with smiles and tears. At dusk, we lit over 5,000 luminaries in honor or memory of those who have battled cancer. When each of us reflect back on this year's Relay we realize that hundreds of people were touched, new friends were made, many wonderful stories were shared, we cried together and joined in many celebrations. There were so many emotions in such a short time. What an experience!

I cannot begin to tell you how much I appreciate the hundreds of people who in some way supported the Canton Relay for Life. Thank you first and foremost to our awesome Relay for Life Committee, their dedication to this event is the main reason we are so successful. Thank you to all the team captains and participants - you are critical, our generous sponsors, Canton government - especially Canton Leisure Services, the local churches for all their support, all the enthusiastic youth teams, all the volunteers who gave freely of their time to support this event. To each and every one of you, I would like to extend my sincere appreciation and heartfelt thanks. It would not have been possible to accomplish what we did without the dedication of ALL OF YOU!

Deb Zevalkink chair, Canton Relay for Life

### Incredible Al staff

I am writing to thank Mrs. Hasse, Mrs. Bachmann, Mrs. Tavierne, Mrs. Jatczak, Mrs. Devriese, Mrs. DellaMora, Mrs. Roemer and Mrs. Remski of Gallimore Elementary School's Autistic Impaired (AI) second-, third-, and fourth-grade program, under the elementary special education directorship of Julie Woodhams, at Tanger Center and our district's AI coordinator, Renee Schmoekel.

A few years ago, I wrote to this very same paper, concerned about what offerings were available to my AI and HI (hearing impaired) son in our district, as he graduated from the excellent IPSEP (Infant Preschool and Special Education Program) under the supervision of Mary Kay Herr and staff. The right fit did not seem available to him, until this past year, when the new elementary AI programs were implemented into our dis-

trict, into the very same school, Gallimore, in which I was worried our son might not find the right "fit." Boy, was I wrong.

**LETTERS** 

My son, Alex Ham-Kucharski, is in the AI program at Gallimore, which has been so incredible under Mrs. Hasse and Mrs. Bachmann, and our son is thriving, socially and academically, under their instruction. Alex is benefiting from his AI program at Gallimore Elementary School, and his reading, writing, and spelling have so improved, with math as his favorite subject.

He loves his classmates, whom he calls 'The 11 of us," and they have taken such fun, appropriate, and educational field trips this year, recognizing that education can also flourish outside the classroom. They have been to the Henry Ford Museum, two plays, a senior center playground, an animal classroom in Northville, a Coney Island, and to our local bowling alley for a pizza party, and yet to come, in June, is a trip on a riverboat and a visit to putt-putt.

The teachers are clever, original, and adaptive in their instruction, including such attention-getting activities as PJ parties at school with their sleeping bags while enjoying such movies as The Wizard of Oz. Alex loves specials - especially gym, under direction of the very supportive and flexible Mrs. Rotramel and "Features Friday" when they get an afternoon movie.

For us, Alex has been in the district since age 1, with Early On, when he was only HI (Hearing Impaired) and speech and language impaired. At age 3 came the AI designation, in which one in 166 children will be diagnosed somewhere on the autistic spectrum.

My son may always have to be in some type of centered based program in our district but he does get for him, Least Restrictive Environment for lunch, recess, library, music, and gym, where he, along with his classmates, are inclusioned together with other general education students, which is so supported, also, by the school's principal, Mr. Kevin Learned, who has created a fair learning environment in which all students can academically and socially thrive.

The AI staff at Gallimore go above and beyond the call of educational duty. They have created buddy systems for their AI students with other students at Gallimore, creating an enriching experience for all of the students. They know, specifically, the sensory/neurological needs of each AI student, whether it involves carrying a koosh ball to squeeze, wearing headphones to tune out noise, or the comfort of a weighted vest. Each child is independently comforted and challenged in their awesome learning environment.

I grew up in our school district, moved there in first grade and haven't left since - 30 years later. The district, for the most part, has always been an innovative leader in our state, forward thinking and accommodating to all. And while we are not perfect, in our schools and community, we have come pretty far.

I have many friends of general ed children, who are working together with special ed parents for equality for all: when we couldn't get a handicap parking spot at Gallimore to accommodate our son, who also has mild cerebral palsy, as a few parents illegally parked in them at dropoff and pickup times, the PTO group took over and the PTO officers, parents of gen ed kids, now wear orange vests and in rain, snow, or sun, voluntarily patrol those spots at pickup times.

Finally, I want to ask the district's administration and board to please visit or contact the AI classrooms and commend the staff and the students for the incredible work they have done.

Dawn Ham-Kucharski

### IKEA is in the eye of beholder

Some of us are meant to understand some things and not others. I can't imagine why anyone would care about a bunch of overpadded men in helmets trying to throw a ball and tackle one another. Many seem to enjoy it, especially the Super Bowl, which I like only because it empties the supermarket and anywhere else I might want to day, if I'm aware of it at all. Certain things are appreciated by some

more than others. Some of us have driven 300 miles because we appreciate what IKEA has to offer. It seems that the Observer, in sending Kurt Kuban to IKEA, erred as much as they would if they sent me to review anything I've ever seen advertised at the Silverdome.

That said, I'm sure that they told you that they have a competition going on. May I send an invitation? If you register, I'll get 50 points. If you vote for me, I'll get another 30 points. Yes, it's shameless on both my part and IKEA's, but then again this is a great event for some of us.

**Mort Potter** 

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### QUOTABLE

"We're going to talk a lot about the strengths of our district, and how we are efficient by self-funding our health insurance, our energy management program and how well our students are achieving ... We'll also talk about our challenges. The long-term financial picture is difficult for our district, and about the very real funding inequities that exist between us and our surrounding neighbors."

- Judy Mardigian, school board vice president, on what district officials were scheduled to talk about in front of the state House Education Committee

### **LETTERS**

### Set record straight

For the third time in almost as many weeks, there have been editorials implying that the recent school bond issue was defeated by individuals who want a school built on the Miller Woods property at the corner of Ridge and Powell.

Lest the community at large takes this seriously, I want to make several points. First of all, many individuals in the community, myself included, worked very hard for the better part of a year to see that the school board followed through on a 1991 resolution to officially and permanently protect the Miller Woods Nature Preserve from development.

I was at the school board meeting Dec. 13 when board members voted to register the Declaration of Restrictions with the county. If Dr. Ryan followed through on this as promised, there should not now nor ever be concern for the destruction of the community treasure known as Miller Woods.

This issue has nothing whatever to do with the defeat of the bond and your readers should get their facts straight! The fate of the remainder of the property surrounding the Woods is unknown and it is this portion of the property that may generate controversy now that the bond issue failed.

Secondly, not all of us who are concerned about the preservation of green space in our community voted against the bond. I think Dr. Ryan and the members of the school board need to know that. Lastly, the Friends of Miller Woods just recently held the first Wildflower Walk in the woods in many years. There was a wonderful turnout, including families with children who expressed interest and concern about the Woods and about the environment in general – and with no prompting from their parents. It is our hope to have more such programs that will add to the richness of our community for citizens of all ages

Marcia Fowler vice president, Friends of Miller Woods

### Thanks to bond committee

We would like to send a warm and sincere thank you to the Plymouth-Canton Bond Committee. We've been able to thank many of you in person for the countless hours you put into getting the word out to the community about the need for these funds to maintain a quality school system. However, with so many accusations pertaining to your honesty, your integrity and your actions, we felt it was necessary to go beyond the personal messages and publicly show our gratitude.

The members of the bond committee are parents, former teachers and administrators. They have all consistently been involved in improving the district they are so dedicated to. Their actions consistently demonstrate that their intentions are positive, and their motives are clear. They wanted what was best for this district, and they believed, as we do, that passage of the bonds was the best thing for Plymouth-Canton schools.

What would motivate a few of the no voters to throw unfounded and untrue criticism at them is a mystery. Clearly, these critics are tainted with their own negativity and cannot believe that a group of outstanding citizens doesn't have a hidden agenda, or any desire to play dirty. But we would like to stand up for this group of

people who have done all they can to keep this a fair, open, honest and respectable campaign.

Now that the bonds have been defeated, we hope that we can look forward to working with the members of the bond committee again soon, as we look for new ways to solve the district's increasing financial difficulties. It is our hope that the slander stops, and that those individuals who continue down the path of negativity and criticism will either fall back into the shadows, or join the group of people who honestly work for positive changes.

> Susan Gamble, Brent Archer, Mary Bartek, James Buhro, Laura Riegal, Julie Dillon, Marsha Fistler, Laura Carbone, Bridget Houser

### Outside the box

The bond defeat was barely hours old when board members, et al., were planning how to reword and revise to get it passed.

It is time for the school board, teachers and administrators to look "outside the box" and explore opportunities to live within the budget they have, not continue to push the bond issue. I am supportive of providing our children with a quality education with as many options as possible; however, we do need to recognize that the Michigan economy is not going to suddenly get better, it is going to get worse as the effect of the auto industry decline trickles downward.

The worst is probably yet to come. Now is the time for every aspect of the school's budget to be reviewed and examined.

Consider the need for additional space. How many classrooms are not fully utilized during the day? Could there be a more efficient use of class space? Although my children have been out of the school system for several years, I am hesitant in believing we need more schools or space.

When my children were in high school, I often had difficulty attending parent-teacher conferences because of my variable work hours. I usually set up teacher conferences on a school day during the teacher's free time, going from one empty classroom to another. One teacher even apologized for meeting me in a classroom that wasn't hers - obviously frustrated that she didn't have her own classroom yet, but had to share the room alternately during the day. So two teachers shared one classroom and it was still available for a parent-teacher meeting.

Should the school day be extended to allow for better use of class space? Should teachers have planning time before or after school hours to allow more utilization of class space?

How about administrators? Since all high schools sit on one campus, do we need separate principals for each high school? How many assistant principals? Has anyone considered the increasing cost of health care for the school employees? What options exist to control these costs without more taxes, bonds, millages? How many nonprofessional positions exist? How many do we need? Are part-time staff paid proportionately?

I don't claim to have the answers, but when voters said no to the bond issue, it's a message to look at other options.

Gloria Kulpa Plymouth

## Lowering flag the least we can do for soldiers serving in war

spent many years covering high school sports, and after seeing the American flag wrongly displayed in so many gyms, it came as no surprise to me to hear Mary Rowland of Canton was having trouble getting businesses to lower their American flags to half-staff to honor Michigan soldiers killed in Iraq.

I've seen the flag positioned on the wrong side of gyms, positioned with the stars in the wrong position, and with the American flag positioned

wrongly when grouped with other flags. One of the things I did during my 15-year U.S. Air Force career was answer questions

about the proper display of the American flag, so I never had a problem pointing out the errors to athletic directors.

And the athletic directors in nearly every case, after checking to make sure I was right, made the appropriate changes to make sure the flag was accorded the respect it deserves.

Brad Kadrich

That apparently is where my experience differs from

Rowland, the Canton mom of a soldier recently assigned to Iraq. Rowland wants businesses to lower their flags when Gov. Jennifer Granholm calls for it following the death of a Michigan soldier, even though Granholm's authority extends only to state buildings. However, she's apparently running her suggestion up the wrong flagpole; only Flagstar Bank has given her a positive response.

"It makes me angry. Whether you are for or against the war, we have young men and women dying. It's too easy to forget we're in a war," she said.

As botched as the war has become, it shouldn't be difficult to remember we're in one. And judging by the turnout at Monday's Memorial Day parade in downtown Plymouth, fewer people have forgotten it than one might think.

While there is a feeling Memorial Day has become nothing more than a long weekend to many, the number of people crowded into Kellogg Park would suggest it means much more to many more. I heard last week about some legislator

somewhere wanting to make Memorial Day a permanent date - May 30, I think - no matter where it fell in the week, the thinking being perhaps people would pay more attention to the holiday's actual purpose: Honoring those who serve our nation, particularly those who have given the ultimate sacrifice. I wanted to ask Brig. Gen. Carol Ann

Fausone about that. But the Canton resident, the assistant adjutant for the state Department of Veterans Affairs and the featured speaker at Monday's parade, answered

the question during her speech (actually, she answered it again when I asked it afterward, but the answer was the same).

"We need to salute the dedicated men and women serving this country today ... they are preserving the legacy (of freedom)," Fausone said. "Memorial Day is the one day of the year we set aside to honor them. We should be doing this every day of the year."

That's what Granholm aides say the governor is doing when she orders flags lowered, something she's done more than 60 times since December 2003.

Now, she's drawing criticism for doing it so often. Critics are saying it violates the U.S. Flag. Code, which they say was intended to honor  $\frac{1}{2\pi i}$ only high-ranking government and elected officials, not soldiers or National Guard members.

In an Associated Press story over the weekend, John Truscott, campaign spokesman for Republican Dick DeVos, said his guy "would take a more literal approach."

"While he certainly believes that honoring veterans who have given their lives is extremely important, lowering the flag has typically been reserved for heads of state."

So some high-ranking elected official - a \*\*\*\* president, for instance - who some say didn't even show up for National Guard duty, much less serve in a war, gets the flag lowered. But if Mary Rowland's boy dies while fighting for his country, DeVos is saying he shouldn't?

And this even sillier observation comes via the same AP story from Jeannine Trybus of Grand Rapids, who said "every time that flag comes down it cheapens the gesture." Trybus, a member of the Grand Rapids Civil War Roundtable, said this of lowering the flag for soldiers killed in the line of duty: "I don't think we should (be) denigrating one of our own symbols and its meaning.

Fausone, who actually serves her country, vigorously disagreed.

The reason (Granholm) is doing it so much is we've lost so many," Fausone said. "They serve their country, and they sacrifice for their country. When (Granholm) lowers the flag, it's in their honor."

Dick DeVos is running against Granholm for governor, so you have to expect him to latch onto anything he can find. I have absolutely no idea whether Trybus is a DeVos supporter, but it wouldn't surprise me.

Cheapen the gesture? Politicizing this particular issue is cheap. Lowering the flag to honor those who gave the ultimate sacrifice? It's the least we can do.

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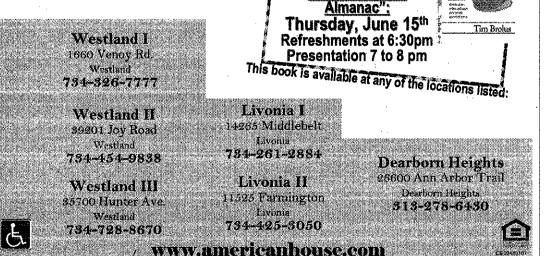
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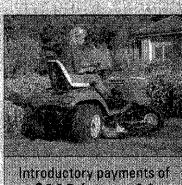
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### Patterson: SBT initiative to go forward

BY ALEX LUNDBERG STAFF WRITER

Despite a tight timeframe and discouraging early projections, Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson's initiative to repeal the state's Single Business Tax will move forward to the petition phase.

At a press conference Tuesday afternoon, Patterson said the effort will move on.

"I'm pleased to announce that we've reached our goal," he said. "We've taken in more than \$615,000 in pledges and have another \$185,000 in underwritten corporate loans."

Originally, the plan as announced at the State of the County address was to raise \$800,000 in pledges for the effort. A week later, based on lackluster fund-raising, he amended that figure to \$600,000. At the Tuesday conference, he said the fundraising effort would continue as the petition drive got under

Whatever the financial goals set or met, he said the response to the effort was a sign that the times are ripe for change.

"To achieve numbers this strong is evidence that we're ready for change in Michigan," Patterson said.

Changes, he said, are needed. Citing statistics that place Michigan near or at the bottom of the heap for job creation, job retention and personal income growth, he said the SBT has to go to make the state a more attractive place to start or expand a business. Others have made similar, ground up changes in their tax

and business structure. "In the 1980s, Ireland was the doormat of Europe, not somewhere you would want to do business," he said. "Now it's the second strongest economy in Europe."

The SBT generates about

\$1.8 billion in revenues for the state's general fund.

Patterson's plan says nothing about where replacement funds would come from. The petition drive, he said, would be an intervention for the state.

"The tax money is heroin for the state," he said. "This will force the legislature to rewrite the tax code."

A California firm, National Petition Management, has been secured to get the initiative on the November ballot. Patterson said the company has a 100 percent success rate in getting ballot questions before voters.



L. Brooks Patterson

### Patterson talks taxes with local business leaders

BY STACY JENKINS STAFF WRITER

Steven Maltzman, a longtime CPA, has an easier time explaining out-of-state tax laws to his clients than he does explaining Michigan's single business tax.

"Businesses can lose real money and at the end of the day, there is a tax owed to the State of Michigan, It's mindboggling," said Maltzman, a managing partner with MSW Group, PLC in Farmington Hills. "And, when I explain to my clients why, they get angry."

His clients are mainly small

businesses throughout the tricounty area.

"That's been our major problem - it's a very difficult tax to understand," he said.

Michigan is the only state in the nation with a single business tax, which basically taxes assets, payroll and property not profits. Throughout its 31year history, the single business tax has been enjoyed by profitable businesses in good economic times and despised by struggling businesses in tough economic times. In good times, businesses are not taxed on large profits, like they would be in other states. In

tough times, businesses are taxed, even if profits are small.

"It's a disincentive for businesses to add employees to their companies," said Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson, who is leading the charge to repeal the SBT before it is ready to sunset at the end of 2009.

Patterson said Michigan must act now.

We can't wait until 2009 to help ourselves," said Patterson at a recent

Farmington/Farmington Hills Chamber of Commerce luncheon, noting Michigan is in a "single state recession" with the highest unemployment and lowest economic stimulation of all states not hit by hurricanes.

"It's just awful news out there," said Patterson. "We're suffering through the longest recession since the Great Depression."

Patterson decided to tackle the tax by drafting petition language that calls for the

issue to be placed on the ballot later this year.

The language mirrors legislation passed earlier this year by the Michigan House and Senate. The bills were vetoed by Gov. Jennifer Granholm because there was no plan to replace the estimated \$1.8 billion the SBT generates each

year. Patterson hired a firm, for \$810,000, to collect and certify at least 360,000 signatures, which is 106,000 more signatures than he needs. Petitions

were filed Tuesday. From there, the language is

certified and it then goes back to the House and Senate for 40 days. Because the issue is brought by a ballot initiative, the House and Senate may approve it, making it a vetoproof law. The legislation would sunset the SBT in 2007.

"This would leave the governor as a spectator in this issue,"

said Patterson. He's confident the plan will work. He said there are several options to replace most of the \$1.8 billion generated by the SBT. But, he said only about \$1.3 billion should be replaced.

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# Rouge Rescue has been a labor of love

BY KURT KUBAN STAFF WRITER

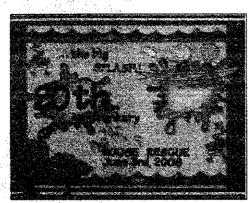
Two decades ago, many areas of the Rouge River could probably be compared to an open sewer. In fact, that's pretty much what they were. Raw sewage regularly coursed through the river after rain · overburdened antiquated sewer systems. The river was also a depository for decades of trash - everything from old cars and appliances to shopping carts and just about anything else one might imagine.

That is the Rouge River that was inherited by a group of about 2,000 volunteers, who, in 1986, participated in the first Rouge Rescue. Their task: help jump-start the restoration of one of most polluted waterways in the country. Two decades later, as organizers prepare for the event's 20th anniversary, the river and the event itself have both come a long way.

Rouge Rescue is scheduled to take place Saturday in communities throughout the Rouge watershed. Organizers are expecting about 3,700 volunteers to come out to a total of 44 sites. They will find a very different river than those first volunteers had to deal with. In most areas of the watershed, most of the trash has been removed, and the water quality - thanks to upgraded sewer and stormwater systems - has improved dramatically.

As a result, Rouge Rescue isn't as daunting a task as it once was.

"As the Rouge has been restored, we're



The Rouge Rescue is celebrating its 20th anniversary this year.

encouraging celebration, not just work, said Carolyne McCaughey, executive director of Friends of the Rouge, the organization that was born out of that first Rouge Rescue and has been coordinating the event ever since.

McCaughey said Rouge Rescue is no longer about picking up trash and tearing out logjams like it once was. At this year's event, volunteers will concentrate on other activities, including planting native plants and creating buffer strips along the river, as well as conducting nature walks. One site will even have poetry readings. As for the logjams, volunteers will take out only the trash and debris that has collecting in them, but not all the "woody debris" that is important wildlife habitat and helpful in preventing erosion.

"In the beginning Rouge Rescue was just pulling trash from the river. Unfortunately, some of that still needs to be done, but it has evolved over the years," McCaughey said. "We no longer rip logjams out of the river like we used to. Instead we do woody debris management. We really are starting to do a better job managing the river."

According to organizers, many of the volunteers that will come out Saturday have been coming out for years. Sharon Sabat has been coordinating Rouge Rescue in Livonia for years. In fact, she said the city actually had river cleanups before the first Rouge Rescue. Over the years, she has seen the same faces come out.

"We've had the same people with us, the same stalwarts, year after year. I think what keeps them coming back is the sense of accomplishment, and the fact we've gone from cleanup to reclamation," said Sabat, who is expecting about 50-60 people Saturday at the city's Rotary Park.

Livonia resident Michele Larson, who is coordinating Livonia's other site (also at Rotary Park), said the reason she got involved is a sense of ownership of the Rouge River. She said she and her two daughters often go down to the river to pick up trash.

"We're very conscious about our community and our environment," she said.

### **2006 ROUGE RESCUE SITES**

The following list provides the location, time, coordinator contact information, and a brief description of the activities for some of the local Rouge Rescue sites. There will be a total of 44 sites throughout the Rouge River watershed.

For more information, contact Friends of the Rouge at (313) 792-9900 or visit the group's Web site at www.therouge.org.

Canton: Flodin Park (southeast corner of Saltz and Morton-Taylor roads), 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Contact Erika Hidalgo at ehldalgo@canton-mi.org or Bob Belair at either rbelair@canton-mi.org or (734) 394-5150. Activities include educational programs, native plantings, invasive plant removal, nature walks, streambank stabilization, living science/animal exhibit and bird house building.

■ Canton: Meadows of Canton subdivision (Palmer and Lotz roads), 9 a.m. to noon. Contact Kesh Raizada at kraizada@co.wayne.mi.us or (313) 999-6256. Activities will include trash removal, storm drain marking, education displays and a bug hunt.

Farmington Hills: PLEASE SEE RESCUE, A17 Memorial Park (West 11 Mile

at Middlebelt), 8 a.m. to noon. Contact Tracy Slintak at tslintak@ci.farmington-hills.mi.us or (248) 871-2860. Activities include invasive species removal, woody debris management and native plantings.

Farmington Hills: Oakland Community College -Orchard Ridge Campus (Orchard Lake Road, south of I-696), 8 a.m. to noon. Contact Mike Kadrofske at mkkadrof@oaklandcc.edu or (248) 522-3405. Activities include storm drain stenciling and trash removal.

Livonia: Rotary Park A (Six Mile and Hubbard roads), 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Contact Sharon Sabat at

ssabat@ci.livonia.mi.us or (734) 466-2540. Activities include streambank stabiliza tion, invasive species removal, native plantings, trash removal and woody debris manage-

Livonia: Rotary Park B (Six Mile and Hubbard roads), 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Contact Michele Larson at (734) 578-6779. Activities include native planting project, info tables, trash removal, etc.

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### Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings-May 23, 2006

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, May 23, 2006, at 1150 Canton Center S. Treasurer Kirchgatter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Roll Call Members Present:

Bennett, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, Yack (arrived 7:20 p.m.) Members McLaughlin, Caccamo, Zarbo Staff Present: Director Minghine, Director Durack, Director Conklin, Director Faas, Deputy Chief Alex Wilson Staff Absent: Director Santomauro 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 LaJoy to approve the Board Study Minutes of April 19, 2006. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the Board Minutes of April 25, 2006 as corrected. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the Board Study Minutes of May 4, 2006. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by Yack to approve the Board Minutes of May 9, 2006. Motion carried by all members present. Citizen's Non Agenda Item Comments: Carol Nickerson, 1223 Brookline, stated her concerns and safety issues with a neighbors rotting fence. Supervisor Yack stated that Director Faas would assist her in getting a resolution to her concerns. Payment of Bills Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Bennett to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried by all members present.

Expenditure Recap for May 23, 2006 General Fund 101 \$248,050.72, Fire Fund 206 28,137.71, Police Fund 2 73,490.61, Summit Operating 208 25,375.27, Cable TV Fund 230 528.89, E-911 Utility 261 342.96, Federal Grants Fund 274 1,164.17, Auto Theft Grant 289 15,794.66, Downtown Dev. Auth. 294 26,500.00, Golf Fund 584 58,740.58, Water & Sewer Fund 641,119.85, Construction Escrows 702 37,160.29, Post

Employ Benefits 736 880.86, Total - All Funds 1,157,286.57
RECOGNITION: RECOGNITION FOR VIRGINIA BAILEY PARKER. Motion by LaJoy, supported by Bennett to adopt the resolution in recognition of Virginia Bailey Parker. Motion carried by all members present. RETIREMENT RECOGNITION FOR EDDIE TANNER. Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adopt the resolution recognizing Lieutenant Edward Tanner. Motion carried by all members present. PRESENTATION: FIRE DEPARTMENT BADGE PRESENTATIONS FOR CAPTAIN PAULUN AND LT. DUNN. These promotions were made to fill a vacancy created by retirement. PUBLIC HEARING: PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2006 SIDEWALK REPAIR PROGRAM. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to open the Public Hearing at 7:20 p.m. to hear comments on the necessity of sidewalk repairs pursuant to the Township Sidewalk Ordinance and Sidewalk Repair Program Policy and as Provided in Public Act 80 of the Public Acts of 1989. Motion carried by all members present. Justine Gapczynski, 7307 Chichester, Stephanie Douglas, 7334 Peachtree Ct., Frank Tracy, 7450 Chichester, Joyce Kapp, 7780 Chichester and Russ Marshall, 7537 Admiralty stated concerns with sidewalk repair at their homes. Director Faas stated they needed to sign the book for a reinspection.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to close the Public Hearing at 8:00 p.m. after hearing the comments on the necessity of sidewalk repairs to the Township Sidewalk Ordinance and Sidewalk Repair Program Policy and as provided in Public Act 80 of the Public Acts of 1989. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adopt the attached resolution requiring replacement of sidewalks in Forest Trails, Sunflower Subdivision 1 through 4, and Miscellaneous Locations as indicated on the attached list and published in the Canton Observer on May 11 and May 14, 2006. Motion carried by all members present. RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Resolution Approving 2006 Sidewalk Repair Program Parcel List Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adopt the replacement of sidewalks pursuant to the Township Sidewalk Ordinance and Sidewalk Repair Program Policy Provided in Public Act 80 of the Public Acts of 1989 in Forest Trails, Sunflower Village Subdivisions 1 through 4, and Miscellaneous Locations as indicated on the attached list and published in the Canton Observer on May 11th and May 14, 2006. Terry G. Bennett, Canton Township Clerk PUBLIC HEARING FOR MAYFAIR VILLAGE I & II SUBDIVISION REQUEST TO

LIGHT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT STREET DISTRICT. (CLERK) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to open the Public Hearing at 8:01 p.m. to consider the petitions for streetlights in the Mayfair Village I & II Subdivisions. Motion carried by all members present. Robert Nelson, 8138 Elmhurst, Dolores Mathis, 44063 Cranberry Dr., Mike McLelland, 43615 Candlewood, Earl Madison, 43614 Candlewood, Judith Olasz, 43218 Candlewood, and Kimmie Schumacher, 43219 Candlewood Ct. spoke in opposition of the Street Light Special Assessment District and felt speed control is an issue that needs to be addressed. Supervisor Yack stated he would contact Public Safety and have this area patrolled during school dismissal, evenings and weekends for speeder in this subdivision. Thomas Wand, 44237 Richmond, Ron Kretschmer, 8450 Kingsley Dr., spoke and security issues. Mary Jo David, 8540 Congress, stated she wished to thank Terry Bennett and Todd Zilincik for their responsiveness to the street lighting petitions submitted. Ms. David stated she is neither for or against the Street Lighting Special Assessment District, however she did state that the subdivision is dark and poses a problem for students walking to school in the dark. PUBLIC HEARING FOR A CLASS "C" LIQUOR LICENSE REQUEST FROM CULINARY VENTURES, INC., LLC. 44314 CHERRY HILL ROAD (PARCEL ID #71-060-99-0003-708), CANTON, MICHIGAN, 48188 (CLERK) Motion by Bennett. supported by Kirchgatter to open the public hearing at 8:36 p.m. for a Class "C" Liquor License for Culinary Ventures, Inc., LLC., 44314 Cherry Hill Road, (Parcel ID# 71-060-99-0003-708), Canton. Michigan, Wayne County, with Sunday Sales Permit. Dance and Entertainment Permit, Official Permit for Difference in Hours of Operation to be open on Sundays between 6:00 a.m. to 12 noon for the sale of food. Motion carried by all members present. Jay Howe, Plunkett and Cooney, on behalf of Culinary Ventures, stated this restaurant is at the corner of Cherry Hill and Sheldon Road. Canton Village Grill will be the trade name. Mr. Howe stated Canton Village Grill will be an upscale American Bistro which includes 4,900 square feet. Mr. Gackenbach stated a letter of intent has be obtained from the landlord. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to close the public hearing at 8:41 p.m. for a Class "C" Liquor License for Culinary Ventures, Inc., LLC., 44314 Cherry Hill Road, (Parcel ID# 71-060-99-0003-708), Canton, Michigan, Wayne County, with Sunday Sales Permit, Dance and Entertainment Permit, Official Permit for Difference in Hours of Operation to be open on Sundays between 6:00 a.m. to 12 noon for the sale of food. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter for the approval for a Class "C" Liquor License for Culinary Ventures, Inc., LLC., 44314 Cherry Hill Road, (Parcel ID# 71-060-99-0003-708), Canton, Michigan, Wayne County, with Sunday Sales Permit, Dance and Entertainment Permit Official Permit for Difference in Hours of Operation to be open on Sundays between 6:00 a.m. to 12 noon for the sale of food. Motion carried by all members present. **CONSENT CALENDAR:** Item 1. SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT STATUS FOR AAA MICHIGAN'S RACE DAY. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve special event status for AAA Michigan's "Race Day" on June 9, 2006, from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.. Motion carried by all members present. Item 2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT STATUS AND THE INSTALLATION OF SIGNS FOR (HEART-TRANSPLANT EMERGENCY H.E.A.R.T.'S ASSISTANCE RELIEF. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve special event status and placement of signs for H.E.A.R.T.'s classic car show held on June 25, 2006, in the Wal-Mart/Sam's Club parking lot. Motion carried by all members

Item 3. INSTALLATION OF "CAUTION HANDICAPPED IN AREA" SIGN(S). (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adopt a resolution to allow the installation of a "Caution Handicapped in Area" sign(s) at both entrances to Carriage Hills Subdivision #3 on Sheldon and Hanford, and to authorize the Clerk to sign the application. Further, I move that Canton will assume responsibilities for furnishing (cost will be \$324.78 for two signs. Cost will be charged to General Fund Account No. 101-300-970-0000), installing and maintaining the sign(s). Motion carried by all members present. Item 4. APPOINTMENT TO CANTON PLANNING COMMISSION. (SUPERVISOR) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to appoint Damon Garrrett to the Canton Planning Commission vacancy, which expires on 12-31-08. Motion carried by all members present. Item 5. APPROVAL OF FIREWORKS DISPLAY AT THE LIBERTY FEST. (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to authorize the Township Clerk to execute the permit for Wolverine Fireworks Display, Inc., to posses, transport and display fireworks at the Liberty Fest on June 17, 2006 (rain date June 18, 2006). Motion carried by all members present. Item 6. AUTHORIZE THE LEISURE SERVICES SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT - ST. JOSEPH MERCY HEALTH SYSTEM. (LSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the sponsorship in the amount of \$5,000 for St. Josephs Mercy Health System, 5301 East Huron

River Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48106 and authorize the Township Clerk to sign the agreement. Motion carried by all members present. Item 7. APPOINTMENT TO THE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION. (ACSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the Township Supervisor's nomination of Katherine Martin for appointment to the Canton Historic District Commission for a three year term effective immediately through April 30, 2009. Motion carried by all members present. GENERAL CALENDAR: Item 1. DAILEY/PEARSON AND LABANA REZONING. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adopt the resolution rezoning request for the Pearson, Dailey and Labana Properties. Motion carried by all members present. RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Rezoning Request for the Pearson, Dailey and Labana Properties WHEREAS, the petitioner has requested approximately 15 acres located on the south side of Ford Road between Beck and Canton Center Roads be rezoned from R-2, Single-Family Residential and RR, Rural residential to R-3, Single-Family Residential District. WHEREAS, the requested rezoning WOULD be in conformity with the Future Land Use Map of the comprehensive Plan; and WHEREAS, the Canton Township Planning Commission recommended APPROVAL of the request; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby APPROVE the request of the petitioner to rezone property identified by parcel nos. 062-99-0010-000 (Labana) and 062-99-0009-000 (Pearson) from R-2, Single-Family Residential to R-3, Single Family Residential District and to rezone parcel no. 062-99-0008-000 (Dailey) from RR, Rural Residential to R-3, Single Family Residential District. Item 2. CONSIDER SITE PLAN FOR OFFICE DEPOT. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adopt the resolution for site plan

for Office Depot. Motion carried by all members present. RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Site Plan for Office Depot WHEREAS, the Project Sponsor, Mr. Bryan Amann, has requested site plan approval for Office Depot to be located on Michigan Avenue west of Canton Center Road, identified as part of tax EDP # 129-99-0001-705; and, WHEREAS, the Planning Commission reviewed the site plan and made a recommendation to approve the request to grant site plan approval, as summarized in the attached written analysis and recommendation. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby approve the request of the petitioner, Mr. Bryan Amann, to approve the site plan for the proposed Office Depot subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff, as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof Item 3. CONSIDER REVISION NO. 2, TO THE CHERRY HILL GARDENS PLANNED DEVELOPMENT AND SITE PLAN. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adopt the resolution for revisions to the PDD and Site plan for cherry Hill Gardens. Motion carried by all members present. RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Revisions to the PDD and Site Plan for Cherry Hill Gardens WHEREAS, the Project Sponsors have requested revisions to the Planned Development District (PDD) Agreement and site plan for Cherry Hill Gardens located south Cherry Hill Road and east of Denton Road (Parcel nos. 078-03-0001 and 078-03-0126-000); and, WHEREAS, the Planning Commission found the revised PDD and site plan to be CONSISTENT with the development objectives of the Township and recommended APPROVAL; and, WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the revised PDD and site plan and determines the proposal to be CONSISTENT with the Zoning Ordinance regulations and development objectives subject to the conditions described in the analysis and recommendation form attached hereto and made a part hereof. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED. the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby APPROVE the Revisions to the Planned Development District and site plan for Cherry Hill Gardens; subject to all other regulations of the Township. Item 4. INTREPID COMMUNITIES REZONING. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adopt the resolution rezoning request of atrepid Communities. Motion carried by all members present. RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Rezoning Request of Intrepid Communities WHEREAS, the petitioner has requested approximately 55.5 acres located on the north side of Michigan Avenue and east of Denton Road be rezoned from R-1, Single-Family Residential and RR, Rural residential to R-3, Single-Family Residential District. WHEREAS, the requested rezoning WOULD be in conformity with the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan; and WHEREAS, the Canton Township Planning Commission recommended APPROVAL of the request; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby APPROVE the request of the petitioner to rezone property identified by parcel nos. 127-99-0002-000, 127-99-0003-000, 127-99-0004-000, 127-99-0005-000, and 127-99-0006-000 from R-1, Single-Family Residential to R-3, Single-Family Residential District; and to rezone parcel nos. 127-99-0017-000, 127-99-0018-002, 127-99-0019-000, and 127-99-0020-000 from RR, Rural Residential to R-3, Single-Family Residential District. Item 5. CONSIDER KALLAS REZONING. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to adopt the resolution for a rezoning request for the Kailas property. Motion carried by all members present. RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Rezoning

Request for the Kailas Property WHEREAS, the petitioner has requested approximately 19.45 acres located on the north side of Cherry Hill Road and west of Beck Road be rezoned from RR, Rural Residential to R-3, Single-Family Residential District. WHEREAS, the requested rezoning WOULD be in conformity with the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan; and WHEREAS, the Canton Township Planning Commission recommended APPROVAL of the request NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby APPROVE the request of the petitioner to rezone property identified by parcel nos. 068-99-0007-002 and 068-99-0011-704 from RR, Rural Residential to R-2, Single Family Residential District. Item 6. CONSIDER AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR TYGER EXCAVATING, INC., FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE BECK ROAD WATER MAIN EXTENSION PROJECT. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to award the construction of the Beck Road Water Main Extension Project to Tyger Excavating, Inc. for a total of \$202,590.00 plus a 10% contingency in the amount of \$20,259.00 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$222.849.00 and to

carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to award the construction staking to Northwest Consultants, Inc. (NCI) in the amount of \$2,800 for the Beck Road Water Main Extension Project. The amount of \$1,200 shall be subtracted from the original contract and the remaining \$1,600 taken from contingency and a separate purchase order be made out to NCI. Motion carried by all members

authorize the Clerk to execute the contract documents. Motion

present. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to reimburse engineering services from the water and sewer fund for contract administration in the amount of \$5,000 and subtracted this amount from the original contract and also for inspector days performed as provided by the contract in the amount of \$7,875.00 for fifteen (15) inspector days. This amount \$7,875.00 shall be also subtracted from the original contract amount and authorize the Finance & Budget Department to subtract any additional cost based on the rate of \$525 per inspector day if the contractor exceeds the number of specified inspector days in the contract. Motion carried by all members present. Item 7. CONSIDER PURCHASE OF SANITARŶ SEWER AND WATER MAIN MANHOLE FRAMES AND COVERS FROM EAST JORDAN IRON WORKS, INC.. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve a purchase order in the amount of \$12,545 plus a 10% contingency of \$1,255 for a not-to-exceed amount of \$13,800 to East Jordan Iron Works, Inc. for the purchase of 30 sanitary sewer and 15 water manhole frames and covers to be charged against the water and sewer fund accounts listed. Motion carried by all members present. Item 8. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY TO INITIATE LITIGATION ON THE REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT FOR THE SALTZ ROAD PAVING AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS (BECK-RIDGE). (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to authorize the Township Attorney to initiate litigation against Fellows Creek, LLC, et al, under the reimbursement agreement between the parties. Motion carried by all members present. Item. 9. CONSIDER APPROVING STIPULATED ORDER OF DISMISSAL FOR THE VACATION OF YOST ROAD FROM LILLEY TO MORTON TAYLOR ROADS. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the Stipulated Order of Dismissal with Prejudice and without costs between Plaintiff Brian Johnson and Defendants, Canton Township, and Van Buren Township, for the vacation of Yost Road between Lilley Road and Morton Taylor Road. Motion carried by all members present. Item 10. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING FUNDING TO RENT SIX (6) PORTABLE CHANGEABLE MESSAGE BOARDS AND TEN (10) TYPE III BARRICADES FROM POCO, INC., TO BE USED DURING THE IDEA GRAND OPENING. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve funding in the amount of \$16,000, of which \$15,940 is to Poco, Inc. to place six (6) changeable message boards for the IKEA Grand Opening at various locations in the MDOT right of way along I-275 and Ford Road, ten (10) Type III Barricades at Haggerty located at Greenwood and Hanford, and authorize payment of the \$90 MDOT Permit Fee to MDOT. Motion carried by all members present. Item 11. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY TO ACQUIRE RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR 2006 INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adopt the resolution to acquire right of way for 2006 intersection improvements at; part of parcel at Beck and Warren (parcel ID# 020-99-0009-000), and part of parcel of Canton Center Road and Geddes (parcel ID# 112-99-0002-000). Motion carried by

RESOLUTION TO ACQUIRE PROPERTY WHEREAS, the Township Board deems said safety improvements to the Warren Road and Beck Road Intersection necessary; and WHEREAS, the Township Board deems said safety improvements to the Canton Center Road and Geddes Road Intersection necessary; and WHEREAS, private property needs to be acquired at both locations in order to complete the necessary safety improvements; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Township Attorney is hereby directed to make an offer, in accordance with the appraisals prepared by Appraisals Services of Michigan, Incorporated, to purchase the property necessary to allow construction of the safety improvements at the Warren Road and Beck Road Intersection and at the Geddes Road and Canton Center Road Intersection. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: The Township Attorney is hereby authorized to acquire the property at the described locations through eminent domain should the offer to purchase the described property(s) be rejected. Item 12. INTERFUND TRANSFER - ROAD PAVING MILLS. (FBD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the transfer of \$1,272,058.23 from the General Fund to the Capital Projects Road paving fund for the Charter millage allocation for road improvements. Motion carried by all members present. Item 13. CONSIDER PURCHASE OF FORD TAURUS - DETECTIVE BUREAU. (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the purchase of one 2007 Ford Taurus Four Door SE (P53) from Signature Ford, 3942 W. Lansing Road, Perry, MI 48872 through the Macomb County Bid #23-05 in the amount of \$12,743. FY2006 Police Capital Outlay 207 301 977 2580, Item # 1. Motion carried by all members present. Item 14. CONSIDER PURCHASE OF BOOKCASES FOR DISPATCH CENTER. (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the following budget transfer in order to purchase bookcases for the Dispatch Center from Watson Furniture Group, 26246 Twelve Trees Lane NW, Poulsbo, WA 98370 for an amount of \$2844. Transfer to Fund Balance #261 346 999 0000 (\$2844) Capital Outlay #261 346 977 2070 \$2844 This budget amendment will neither increase nor decrease the FY2006 911-Emergency Services Fund. Motion carried by all members present. Item 15. CONSIDER PURCHASE OF 4-SECURITY CAMERA DISPLAY MONITORS - DISPATCH. (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the purchase of 4-Security Camera Display Monitors and Keyboards for the Dispatch Center from ProVideo Systems Inc., 26471 Southpoint Rd., Perrysburg, OH 43551. in the amount of \$9080--Police Computer Capital Outlay, 207 301 977 2580. Further, to approve the following budget transfer for the additional costs associated with ceiling mounting, miscellaneous hardware, and installation for the monitors in the amount of \$2780 from 911 Service Funds (Cost Center P00049 0000 0000) Transfer to Fund Balance

Capital Outlay Account #261 346 977 2070 \$2780 This budget transfer will neither increase nor decrease the FY2006 911-Emergency Services Fund. Motion carried by all members AUTHORIZATION FOR FIRE PERSONNEL TO

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ATTEND SCHOOL OF FIRE STAFF & COMMAND. (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the expenditure of tuition for Lieutenants D. Champagne, T. Davison, and J. Hunter to attend the School of Fire Staff and Command at Eastern Michigan University at a cost of \$2500/each for a total of \$7500--FY2006 Fire Training Account No. 206 336 952 0000. (Cost Center P00055 0000 0000). Motion carried by all members present. Item 17. APPROVE ON-SITE ASSESSMENT FEE TO CALEA. (PSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the payment of the invoice from CALEA for the "on-site" assessment phase of accreditation in the amount of \$7500. FY2006 Police Account #207 301 818 0000, Contracted Services. (Cost Center P00049 0000 0000). Motion carried by all members present. Item 18. AUTHORIZE PARKING LOT STRIPING. (LSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to accept the bid for parking lot striping from B&J Parking Lot Maintenance, 12207 Inkster Road. Taylor, MI 48180, for an amount not to exceed \$8,950.00 and charge to account number L00032-0065-0412 (Heritage Park-surface/ pavement maintenance). Motion carried by all members present. Item 19. AWARD CONTRACT FOR THE 2006 LIBERTY FEST KIDDIE RIDE ATTRACTIONS, (LSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to award the contract for the 2006 Canton Liberty Fest "kiddie ride" attractions to Galactic Transit Authority, Inc., 9874 Ford Road, Ypsilanti, MI 48198, in the amount not to exceed \$9,500.00 from Recreation Division - Special Events account #101-691-818-4000. Motion carried by all members present. Item AUTHORIZE CONCRETE DRIVEWAY REPLACEMENT AT FIRE STATION NO. 1. (LSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to award bid plus a 10% contingency to remove and replace concrete driveway at Fire Station No. 1 to Lacaria Concrete Construction, 3720 Central Ave, Detroit, MI 48120, in the amount of \$47,300 to be paid from Account # 246-750-970-000 Item # 8 (Paved Surfaces on Township Properties). Motion carried by all members present. Item 21. AUTHORIZE THE LEASE OF CARDIOVASCULAR FITNESS EQUIPMENT. (LSD) Motion by present. Item 21. AUTHORIZE Bennett, supported by LaJoy to authorize the lease of three treadmills from National Equipment Leasing, 4644 Mt. Brighton, Brighton, MI 48116 in the amount of \$16,719 (Community Center Budget Capital Outlay Equipment Administration #208-757-977-0000). Motion carried by all members present. Item 22.
AUTHORIZE ASPHALT PAVING REPLACEMENT AT
COMMUNITY PROPERTIES. (LSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to award bid for asphalt paving replacement for Community Properties to Pro-Line Asphalt Paving, 11797 29 Mile Rd, Washington, MI 480950, in the amount of \$54,750 to be paid from Account # 246-750-970-000 Item # 8 (Paved Surfaces on Township Properties). Motion carried by all members present. Item 23. AUTHORIZE ASPHALT REPAIR AT HERITAGE PARK PATH. (LSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to award bid for Asphalt Path Repair at Heritage Park to Best Asphalt, 6334 N. Beverly Plaza, Romulus, MI 48174 in the amount of \$12.000 to be paid from Account # 246-750-970-000 Item # 8 (Paved Surfaces on Township Properties). Motion carried by all members present. Item 24. AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF SOFTBALLS FOR CANTON SPORTS CENTER. (LSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter 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. Item 25. FIRST READING, AMENDMENT TO CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IV, DIVISION 4 SECTIONS 2-211, 2-212, 2-216: CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION AND REPEAL OF CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IV, DIVISION 2 SECTIONS 2-151 THROUGH 2-180: HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION. (LSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to introduce the first reading of the amendment to the Code of Ordinances, Canton Charter Township, Michigan, to acknowledge the Canton Cultural Commission as the Canton Commission for Culture, Arts, and Heritage in Chapter 2, Article IV, Division 4, Sections 2-211, 2-212, 2-216: Cultural Arts Commission and to repeal Chapter 2, Article IV, Division 2, Sections 2-151 through 2-180: Human Relations Commission with publication on June 1, 2006 and table for Second Reading on June 13, 2006, with effective date and publication of June 22, 2006. Motion carried by all members present. CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IV, DIVISION 4, SEC 2-211 to 2-217 DIVISION 4. CANTON CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION COMMISSION FOR CULTURE, ARTS, AND HERITAGE AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE CANTON CULTURAL ARTS CULTURE, ARTS, AND HERITAGE COMMISSION; PROVIDING FOR THE GENERAL PURPOSE; PROVIDING FOR THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CANTON CULTURAL ARTS CULTURE, ARTS, AND HERITAGE COMMISSION; PROVIDING FOR THE ELECTION AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS; PROVIDING FOR MEETINGS, PROCEDURES AND COMMITTEES IN THE OPERATION OF THE COMMISSION; PROVIDING FOR THE FILING OF AN ANNUAL REPORT; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE. THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS: Section 2-211. General purpose. The general purpose of this ordinance is to establish pursuant to P.A. 1947 No. 359, MCLA 42.1. as amended, a Canton Cultural Arts Culture, Arts, and Heritage Commission to advise the Township Board of Trustees and the Leisure Services Advisory Commission on the development of culture, arts, and heritage; to promote and publicize projects that support the culture, arts, and heritage to serve as advocates for

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# **Everything's 'cool'** and spicy at new Caribbean restaurant

BY CAROL MARSHALL STAFF WRITER

The name says it all at Irie Caribbean Cuisine. Irie (pronounced EYE-ree) in Jamaican Rastafarian means, "everything's copacetic, everything's cool," said one of the new

restaurant's owners, Allan Levy. "It's a very laid-back culture, which is what we're trying to duplicate here. Whatever you need, we will do that for you," he said.

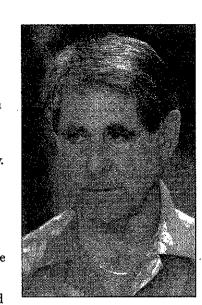
Diners can enjoy a totally relaxed meal only because those running the restaurant are meticulous about the details. Ask Levy when Irie opened and he will tell you in a deliberate, matter-of-fact manner: "We opened at exactly 3 p.m. on March 16, 2006."

In the dining room, tremendous attention was paid to the most mundane details - paperback books for light and humorous reading are on every table; tropical coral and green hues cover the walls; even the hand soap in the washrooms has absolutely no scent to interfere with the complex

Caribbean jerk spices and curry. In the kitchen, the details are everything.

That's where one of the restaurant partners, Robert Campbell of Canton, comes in.

"I can't even make peanut butter sandwiches," said Levy, also of Canton, who spent a career teaching business management to college students.



Alan Levy, a longtime college professor, opened Irie Caribbean Cuisine back in March.

"But I know how to manage a business. Robert, on the other hand, can do anything in a kitchen."

And he has. Campbell, a former student of Levy's, 12 years ago came from Negril, Jamaica, to Michigan to attend college. Campbell took every one of Levy's classes before transferring to Eastern Michigan University. But along the way, the student and teacher became friends – such close friends that today they refer to themselves as being like father and son.

Campbell went on to pursue culinary endeavors, and manages five food stores at EMU. He has for years owned his own



BILL BRESLER I STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Ajai Ammachathram presents the cuisine of the Caribbean, including jerk pork, coconut shrimp, jerk chicken, Jamaican coleslaw, and rice and beans cooked with coconut milk.

Jamaican catering business, and has worked dining services for the last three Olympic

Two years ago, Campbell catered a graduation party for a dental student.

"The dental student was so impressed he said, We have to open a restaurant," said Levy. So the student (who is now a dentist practicing in Florida), Campbell and Levy got together and opened Irie.

It's the spices that make Caribbean food special, said

Levy. But spiciness and "hot" are not synonymous, he added. Canton is ready for the Caribbean menu, Levy said.

"Canton is youthful and it's growing. It teems with business energy and social energy, and it's upscale even during difficult times," Levy said. "It's the perfect place for a restaurant like this."

Irie Caribbean Cuisine is located at 45580 Cherry Hill, west of Canton Center. For more information, call (734) 844-8892.

### 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 Kitchen Equipment for Farrand, Fiegel, Gallimore, and Isbister Elementary Schools and West Middle School. Bid documents will be available after May 19, 2006 by faxing a request on company letterhead to the attention of Laura Hagan in the PCCS Maintenance Department at 734-354-1687. Questions should be directed to Dan Phillips of the PCCS Purchasing Department at 734-416-2746. Sealed bids are due on or before 1:30 p.m., Monday, June 12, 2006 to the E.J McClendon Educational Center (re: Kitchen Equipment Bid), 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170. 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

Board of Education Plymouth-Canton Community Schools JOANNE LAMAR, Secretary

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### The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community

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### CANTON POLICE DEPARTMENT 1150 S. CANTON CENTER ROAD CANTON, MI 48188

The following vehicles have been deemed abandoned and will be sold at public auction June 6, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. The auction will be held at Westland Car Care Towing, 6375 Hix Road, Westland, MI 48185. The vehicles will be sold "as is", starting bid is for towing and storage.

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	1995	Plymouth	Neon	2 Dr	1P3ES62C5SD284988
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	1993	Chevy	Lumina	4 Dr	2G1WL54TXP9206096
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	1992	Mercury	G. Marquis	4 Dr	2MECM75W7NX652001
	1985	Ford	E-150	VAN	1FDEE14H8FHA37767
	1995	Ford	T-Bird	$2  \mathrm{Dr}$	1FALP6242SH187022
	1995	Ford	T-Bird	$2\mathrm{Dr}$	1FALP6245SH120477
	1993	Ford		sw	1FALP57U6PA111385
,	1995	Ford	Aerostar	sw	1FTDA14U9SZC22701
	1996	Ford	Escort	$2  \mathrm{Dr}$	1FASP11J1TW174748
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH REQUEST FOR AN INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES **EXEMPTION FOR** KARMANN MANUFACTURING, LLC TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2006

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, June 13, 2006, during a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth to consider a request from Karmann Manufacturing, LLC for a 12 year Industrial Facilities Exemptions for leased facility, including the cost of new machinery, equipment, furniture and fixtures to be purchased and installed within the leased facility located at 15035 Pilot Road, Metro West Industrial Park, Subdivision No. 7, Plymouth Township, Wayne County, Michigan.

The request is on file in the Clerk's Office where it is available for public perusal during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Any Township resident or member of any taxing authority within the Township of Plymouth shall have the right to appear and be heard. Written comments directed to the Clerk and received prior to the date of the meeting will be considered. Following the public hearing the Board of Trustees may

The public hearing, commencing at 7:00 p.m., will be held in the Meeting Room at Plymouth Township Hall, 43250 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, on Tuesday, June 13, 2006, during the regularly scheduled Board of Trustees Meeting. Telephone number 734-354-3224.

> Marilyn Massengill, Clerk Charter Township of Plymouth

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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA **JUNE 8, 2006**

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 2006 AT 7:00 PM. The meeting will be held in the Board Room at the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. CANTON CENTER ROAD, CANTON, MI 48188. The following Agenda will be discussed:

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag

Roll Call: Randy Blaylock, Jim Cisek, Cathy Johnson, Vicki Welty and Steven Johnson.

Acceptance of Agenda

Canton Historic District Commission, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188-1699 for property located at 50440 Cherry Hill Road, Cherry Hill School appealing Sign Ordinance Chapter 102, Section 32, (4), requesting approval for the property identification sign without the required masonry base.

Zone: Single Family Residential District

Parcel: 071-99-0007-000 (Building)

Canton Historic District Commission, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188-1699 for property located at 500 N. Ridge Road, Bartlett-Travis House appealing Sign Ordinance Chapter 102, Section 32, (4), requesting approval for the property identification sign without the required masonry base.

Zone: Single Family Residential District Parcel: 072-99-0015-000 (Building)

Gary Seelbinder of Roy A. Seelbinder Const. Co. Inc., 275 E. Big Beaver, Suite 201, Troy, MI 48083 representing All Saints Catholic School, 48735 Warren Road, Canton, MI 48187 for property located at 48735 Warren Road, south side of Warren Road between Beck and Ridge Roads, appealing Sign Ordinance Chapter 102, Article II, Section 102-31, (18), ground sign variance and Sign Ordinance Chapter 102, Article II, Section 102-34, (1), a, b, ground sign variance.

Parcel 030-99-0001-708 (Building)

Ali Charara of Cherry Plaza, 10545 S. Morrow Circle, Dearborn, MI 48126 for commercial property located at 45610, 45600, 45580 and 45550 Cherry Hill Road, aka Cherry Plaza, north side of Cherry Hill Road between Canton Center and Beck Roads, appealing Sign Ordinance Chapter 102, Article II, Section 102-31, (20), multi-tenants on one sign. Zone C-2

Parcel 064-99-0018-000 (Building)

Approval of the March 9, 2006 Minutes

Approval of the April 13, 2006 Minutes Publish: June 1, 2006



### 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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culture, arts, and heritage to encourage networking and collaborations of the culture, arts, and heritage in the Canton community. The Canton Cultural Arts Culture, Arts, and Heritage Commission shall act as an advisory Board with the duty to study, conceive, promulgate and develop plans for the enhancement of the culture, arts, and heritage in the Community. The commission shall further promote public awareness and enlist the support of interested individuals, businesses, industry, schools and civic organizations to further its purpose.

The commission shall encourage the development of the arts in the community including, but not limited to, visual arts, drama, music, dance, historical heritage, humanities, and other art forms. The commission shall assist in the development of partnerships and collaborations that promote the culture, arts, and heritage. The commission shall serve as advocates to the arts, promote and support arts education dealing with art, culture and heritage. Section 2-212. Canton Cultural Arts Commission created. Canton Culture, Arts, and Heritage Commission created. The Board of Trustees hereby establishes and creates the Canton Cultural Arts Culture, Arts, and Heritage Commission whose actions and authority are limited to the purposes as set forth in Section 2-211 of this division. Section 2-213. Membership. The commission shall consist of up to 17 members appointed by the Township Supervisor with the approval of the Board of Trustees. Not more than one member of the Canton Board of Trustees will serve in an official capacity of the commission. Members will be solicited from all aspects of the arts. culture, arts, and heritage. A commission member's term of office shall be for three years, except that four of the members appointed to the first Commission shall serve for a term of one year, four members for a term of two years and three members for a term of three years. The terms of office shall expire on December 31, provided a member shall continue to serve until a successor is appointed to replace the member. Commission members will serve without compensation. Membership may be terminated at anytime by the Board of Trustees should any member conduct themselves in an unprofessional manner or have two unexcused absences in one calendar year. When replacement of a member is appropriate, the chairperson shall inform the member and recommend to the Board of Trustees as to whether the member should be replaced. Interested citizens may serve on committees to further the purposes of the commission, but only commission members shall constitute a quorum for official business. A quorum is defined in the by laws. Members of the Township staff may be appointed by the Board of Trustees to serve as a liaison member(s) to assist in activities which serve the purpose of the commission. Section 2-214. Election and duties of officers. A. The commission shall annually elect a member to serve as chairperson, a member to serve as vice-chairperson and a member to serve as secretary. B. The chairperson shall preside at all meetings, shall appoint such committees as may be authorized by the commission, and shall be an ex-officio member of all committees. The chairperson, subject to the rules of the commission, shall decide all points of order or procedure unless otherwise directed by a majority of the commission in session at that time. C. The vice-chairperson shall preside and exercise all duties of the chairperson in the absence of the chairperson. D. The secretary shall perform the duties customarily involved in such office. All official correspondence shall be approved by the chairperson. A copy of the minutes of each meeting shall be sent to the township clerk and supervisor.

Section 2-215. Meetings. A. All meetings of the commission shall

be considered work meetings and open to all Township officials, their appointees, authorized representatives of organizations with the Canton Community and to citizens of the community in accordance with the Michigan Open Meeting Act. B. The commission shall meet regularly, not less than every three (3) months, on a date and time set by the commission. A schedule of meetings shall be set annually by the commission and posted on the Township bulletin board and website.

C. Special meetings may be called by the chairperson as deemed

necessary or advisable, with a 5-day written notice of the special meeting date to the members of the commission. Section 2-216. Procedures and committees of the commission. A. The commission will establish by-laws and governing rules as deemed appropriate and approved by the Leisure Services Advisory Commission. B. Minutes shall be kept of all regular and special meetings of the commission and made available to the public in accordance with the Michigan Freedom of Information Act. C. The normal order of business of the commission shall be: 1. Call to order; 2. Roll call; 3. Approval of minutes of previous meeting; 4. Other agenda items; 5. Adjournment. D. All proceedings, decisions and resolutions of the commission shall be initiated by a motion. The vote upon motions and resolutions shall be recorded by roll call. E. Robert's Rules of Orders Revised shall govern the conduct of the commission unless alternate rules are adopted by the commission and approved by the Board of Trustees.

F. At a minimum, there shall be the following standing committees as determined by the commission: 1. Annual Goals 2. Promotion and publicity Communications and Marketing Committee 3. Program Public Art Committee 4. Development fundraising Partnership for the Arts 5. Strategic planning Additional committees may be established by the commission. At least one member of each committee must be an officer a member of the commission. Subcommittees must establish goals annually, develop appropriate operating procedures, and record minutes in accordance with the Michigan Freedom of Information Act. Section 2-217. Annual Report. The commission shall, at the end of each calendar year, prepare an annual report to the Township Board of Trustees, reviewing the prior year's activities and providing recommendations for future activities of the Commission. The Annual Report shall be placed on file with the commission secretary and the Township Clerk with copies to the members of the Board of Trustees and the Leisure Services Advisory Commission.

CERTIFICATION The foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the Township Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton at its regular meeting called and held on the \_\_\_ day of \_ and was ordered to be given publication in the manner required by

TERRY BENNETT, Clerk, Introduced: 05-23-2006 Item 26.
ACCESSIBLE VOTING SYSTEM GRANT AGREEMENT/ STATE OF MICHIGAN. (CLERK) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the grant agreement with the Bureau of Elections, Department of State, State of Michigan for the purchase on the Charter Township of Canton's behalf, 29 AutoMARK Ballot Marking Devices from Elections Systems and Software, Inc.. Motion carried by all members present. Item 27. APPROVAL TO RETAIN CAREER DIRECTIONS. (SUPERVISOR) Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy that the Canton Township Board of Trustees engage Career Directions to assist in the identification of a Director of Finance and Budget. The fee for the service is not to exceed \$10,000. Motion carried by all members present. OTHER: Supervisor Yack stated there will be a study session on May 30, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. at the Administration Building, First Floor, Board Room, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan, 48188. ADJOURN: Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adjourn at 9:49 p.m. Motion carried by all members present. Thomas J. Yack, Supervisor -Terry G. Bennett, Clerk -

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 Board Approval.

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# **Knowing where road projects are** is key to hassle-free Liberty Fest

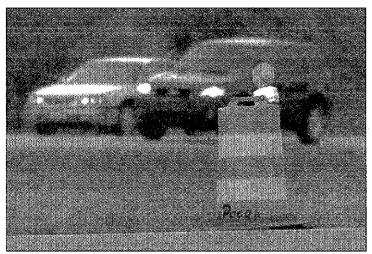
STAFF WRITER

Liberty Fest is just around the corner, scheduled for June 15-18, but those who are driving to enjoy the weekend at Heritage Park may have to navigate more corners than usual to get there. Road construction season in Canton is in full swing, and it's tying up traffic throughout the township.

However, a little patience, and knowing what roads and intersections to avoid will help.

Minor utility work will begin June 12 at Ford and Canton Center. Though the work won't take long, according to **Municipal Services Director** Tim Faas, it's a preview of the big project that will take place near that intersection - a bridge replacement on Ford just west of Canton Center. The bridge work will require lane closures, and the Michigan Department of Transportation will post a detour route, which is Canton Center south to Cherry Hill Road.

"Then from there, you find your way on one of the northsouth streets to get back to



**BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER** 

Orange barrels should be prevalent throughout town during Liberty Fest.

Ford Road," Faas said.

Another project that will impact festival traffic is an intersection improvement at Cherry Hill and Sheldon. Improvements at Saltz and Sheldon are also underway, and Faas expects there to be some overlap of projects.

"We're hoping that they are not coinciding but it's possible," Warren Road is undergoing

a total reconstruction, which will last until October or November. The area affected

will be Canton Center to Morton Taylor.

"The big section they're working on now is Sheldon to Morton Taylor, where they're doing storm sewer work," Faas said. "It's pretty bad."

Wayne County is also doing a small project on Sheldon, just north of Ford, which will start in June or July, and could possibly begin before Liberty Fest.

cmarshall@hometownlife.com (734) 459-2700

### Greene faces new child sex charges

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BY DARRELL CLEM STAFF WRITER

Westland businessman Daniel Eric Greene was arraigned Friday on 23 new charges of having sex with two boys who, along with their mother, lived at his house for a year.

Greene, 39, met the boys, ages 12 and 14, through a Salvation Army adopt-afamily Christmas program, and he ultimately offered their mother a place to rent, Westland police Lt. James Ridener confirmed.

"He bought them gifts for Christmas," Ridener said.

The boys had second-story bedrooms near Greene's room, but their mother slept downstairs, police learned as their investigation widened.

The latest charges against Greene involve allegations such as oral sex, fondling and the making of sexually explicit videos, Ridener confirmed.

The boys and their mother lived at Greene's house in the Palmer-Hambleton area east of Wayne Road, where police said they confiscated hundreds of child pornographic materials from a hidden room disguised by a secret closet door.

The latest charges came a week after Greene was arraigned on multiple

Greene

31000 block of Avondale near Merriman in Westland. Those allegations stem from incidents that police said occurred from January 2002 to December 2005, starting when the boy was 13.

Greene, who used to run American Power Wash on South Wayne Road, was arraigned Friday on six new counts of first-degree criminal sexual conduct, 13 counts of second-degree CSC and four counts of child sexual abusive activity.

Westland 18th District Judge Gail McKnight denied bond on the latest charges. Greene already had been jailed on a \$1 million bond on 10 earlier felony counts.

Greene had been scheduled Thursday for a preliminary hearing on the earlier charges involving a boy who now lives in the Grand Rapids area. Now, Greene's hearing on all charges has been scheduled for June 22.

Defense attorney Michael Donaldson told McKnight that he needed more time to review the volumes of materials that police said they found at Greene's house.

Greene already had been on the state's sex offender list for an even earlier incident in Wayne in which he was accused of fondling a boy. He was placed on probation for that incident.

Investigators now believe that Greene took steps to place himself in close contact with young boys. He used to be a vendor for concessions at the ball diamonds in Westland's Central City Park, police have said.

Ridener has said that police found a hidden door inside a closet at Greene's house. It opened into a secret room where police said he kept child pornographic materials, including the videos he made with boys.

The mother who rented part of Greene's house didn't suspect him of abusing her sons, police said, and the boys hadn't reported any of the incidents until recently.

"Both of the boys had bedrooms upstairs, and so did the defendant," Ridener said. "The mother had a room downstairs."

Other parents whose children may have had contact with Greene are urged to call Westland police at (734) 722-9600.

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This summer, Chris Haddad (left) and Karen Buddenborg unite to teach kids about the fun of playing tennis.

## Kids can learn to play tennis the fun way

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Karen Buddenborg and Chris Haddad have one goal – to introduce kids to tennis the fun way.

The game not only encourages fitness, but friendship. The two Livonia women met 16 years ago on a tennis court at the Livonia YMCA. On June 13, they begin a new adventure teaching Little Tennis to chilCity Tennis Courts on the southwest corner of Five Mile and Newburgh.

The cost is \$65 for a 6-class session. Kids use lower nets and lighter equipment to learn basic skills while playing games such as Four Corner Relay, Silly Tennis and Ralleyball.

"The sessions are game based approach and geared to kids developmental stages,"

dren ages 7 to 11, at the Livonia said Haddad. "In the past tennis was taught in a laborious manner. There were 10 stages to learn proper forehand."

But Little Tennis isn't all fun and games. Designed by the U.S. Professional Tennis Association (USPTA), the structured program takes children through a series of stages to actually learn the game.

Haddad and Buddenborg are USPTA certified instructors who have won tournament

championships as a doubles team. They have taught tennis to kids at the Livonia

Recreation Center, Plymouth-Canton Community Ed after school program, and Lifetime Fitness in Novi where students were as young as 3-years old.

"This is more team oriented," said Buddenborg. "Kids learn it's fun being outside on a real court."

Buddenborg and Haddad will offer three, six-class sessions beginning June 13, July 11, and Aug. 1. Classes run 9-10 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Registration will be held at the City Tennis Courts 6-8 p.m. Thursday, June 1, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, June 3. For more information, call Haddad at (734) 591-0487, Buddenborg at (734) 464-0279, or send email to kbudd5@aol.com, or chris@georgesvideo.com.

"Tennis is one of those sports you can play forever," said Haddad. "It's a sport for an entire lifetime. There's no reason why little kids can't enjoy

### RESCUE

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"We know that what we do today will have repercussions on future generations."

After 20 years, McCaughey believes Rouge Rescue has made a huge difference, both in the appearance of the river and the way people perceive it.

"It's made a big difference, because so many people now appreciate the Rouge instead of looking at it as a cesspool," she said. "Every time you get a new person out there, there is this wow factor, because people just don't know what's there until they experience it. That is probably the biggest impact Rouge Rescue has had."

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Elementary School (Byron and McKinley streets). Contact Matt Best at (734) 726-3936. Activities include streambank stabilization, grow zone installation, invasive species removal and native plantings.

Plymouth: Byron Creek (Byron and McKinley streets), 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Contact Chris Porman at cporman@ci.plymouth.mi.us or (734) 453-7737. Activities include trash/debris removal and storm drain stenciling.

■ Plymouth Township: Plymouth Township Park (Ann Arbor Trail and Beck Road), 9 a.m. to noon. Contact Susan Vignoe at svignoe@msn.com or (734) 453-8131, Ext. 33. Activities include native plantings around pond, fishing derby (possibly) and bird box construction.

Redford Township: Lola Valley Park (Lola and Puritan roads, east of Beech Daly, between Five Mile and Six Mile), 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Contact Carl Van Aartsen at kaho@redfordtwp.com or (313) 794-5740. Activities include invasive plant removal, trash/debris removal and storm drain stenciling.

Superior Township: southeast corner Ford and Prospect roads, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Contact Jack Smiley at smileysmlc@aol.com or (734) 484-6565. Activities include trash pickup, demolition of old hunting blinds and invasive plant removal.

■ Wayne: Dynamite Park (Josephine Street, north off of westbound Michigan Avenue, west of Venoy), 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Contact Kurt Kuban at kkuban3240@aol.com or (734) 716-0783. Activities will include trail maintenance, trash removal, woody debris management and removal of invasive plants.

■ Westland: Holiday Nature Preserve - Cowan entrance (Central City Parkway at Nankin Boulevard), 8:30 a.m. to noon. Contact Bob Patterson

pattersonwestland@wowway.c om, or James Gilbert at (734) 595-0288, Ext. 223. Activities will include removing shopping carts, invasive species removal, bridge building and trail main-

### Paper wins kudos

The Schoolcraft Connection, the student newspaper at Schoolcraft College, received a first-place award for overall excellence from the Michigan **Community College Press** Association this spring.

Staff members won 14 individual awards, including first and second place for editorials written by editor-in-chief John Parsell from Livonia. Other awards included a first place in sports news for managing editor Michael Siegrist of Canton. Layout and photo editor Rena Laverty of Redford win first place in the sports news photo and photo essay categories.



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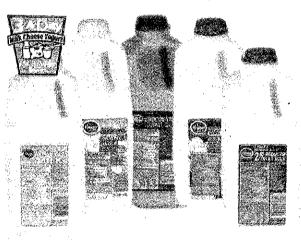
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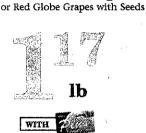
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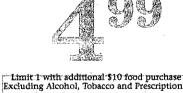
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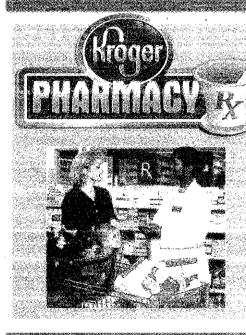


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### JUNE

### Praise and worship concert

Featuring a reunion of the praise and worship band Crossfire 7 p.m. Friday, June 2, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville. Ice cream social follows in Knox Hall. Free childcare, Call (248) 374-5920.

Flea market 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 3, at New Beginnings United Methodist Church, 16175 Delaware at Puritan,

Redford. Call (313) 255-6330. Bicycling group 10 a.m. Saturday, June 3, at Nankin

Mills Administration Office parking lot on Hines Drive, one mile east of Farmington Road, Westland, Single Point bike rides are geared to the tourist level rider but riders of all ability levels are welcome. All riders must wear a helmet. For more information, call Ward Presbyterian Church at (248) 374-5920

Monthly dance

Presented by Bethany Suburban West, a Catholic organization to provide peer support to the divorced and separated of all Christian faiths 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, June 3, at St. Robert Bellarmine, 27101 W. Chicago and Inkster roads, Redford. Cost is \$10, includes refreshments. Doors

open at 7:30 p.m. For details, call (734) 261-5716.

Classic senior singles Orientation meeting for Aug. 10-12 grandparent/grandchild vacation,

12:45 p.m. Sunday, June 4, in Room D450, at Ward Presbyterian Church. This is a wonderful opportunity to have a special one-on-one time with your grandchildren. Call (248) 374-

Discussions

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Study and discuss questions of the current importance to the thoughtful Christian in a complex, world 9:30 a.m. Sunday, June 4 (The immigration Debate: What's a Christian to Think?). and June 11 (Should the Ten Commandments be Displayed in Public?), Sunday worship at 10:45 a.m., church school and adult study forum at 9:30 a.m., nursery care available, at Salem United Church of Chirist, 33424 Oakland Ave., west of Farmington Road, north of Grand River, Farmington, Call (248) 474-6880.

Sunday message series Inspired by The Da Vinci Code 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday, is the New Testament credible?; June 4, The Questions of Jesus' Identity part one; June 11 part two; June 18, What about Mary Magdalene?, and June 25, Women, Jesus and Christianity, at

Farmington Hills Church of God, 25717 Power, between 10 and 11 Mile roads. Call (248) 477-9144 or visit www.fhchurchofgod.org. Crosstalk

With Paul Clugh addressing the issues raised by the book and movie, The Da Vinci Code 7 p.m. Friday, June 9, in Knox Hall, at Ward Evangelical

Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile. Northville. Free childcare. Call (248) 374-5920.

Dinner and concert

Tim Zimmerman and the King's Brass 7 p.m., Thursday, June 8 (dinner at 6 p.m., \$6 per person), at First Baptist Church of Plymouth, 45000 N. Territorial, west of Sheldon, Call (734) 455-2300 for tickets and information.

Bicycling group 10 a.m. Saturday, June 10, Willow Metro Park, I-275 south to Ext 11A (South Huron Road), east on Huron Road to park entrance, south to Wåshago Pond, Single Point hike rides are geared to the tourist level rider but riders of all ability levels are welcome. All riders must wear a helmet. For more information, call Ward Presbyterian Church at (248) 374-5920

Relationship workshop 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 10, authors Ron and Danyelle Jones lead a workshop for singles called "How to Create the Relationship You Really Want in Life," at Renaissance Unity, 11200 E. Eleven Mile Road in Warren. Tickets \$50 and can be purchased online at www.renaissanceunity.org. The Jones' workshops continue 1-4 p.m. Sunday, June 11 with "Yeah...I'm a Co-Creator...But." Tickets \$20.00. Workbooks (\$15) required and will be available at the Renaissance Unity

Store on day of workshop. Patriotic/pops concert

The Americana concert of familiar American music and favorite patriotic selections 7 p.m. Sunday, June 11, in the sanctuary of Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville. The concert features the

Ward Chancel Choir and Orchestra and a bluegrass band called Cat n' Fiddle. We will honor our servicemen and women and ask that they come in uniform, if possible. Bring the entire family. Ice cream social follows. Childcare provided through age 4. Call (248) 374-7400.

**Vacation Bible school** 

Fiestal Join us 9 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, June 12-16 for 5 fun filled days of high energy, Christ-centered activities, at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington, north of Six Mile, Livonia. Fee is \$25, and includes Tshirt. For more information, call David Conrad at (734) 425-5950.

Preschool program

Begins 9 a.m. to noon Monday-Thursday, June 12-15, and runs weekly through July 17-20, for ages 3-5, at Mt. Hope Preschool, 30330 Schoolcraft, Livonia. Cost is \$80 per week, \$70 for second child, and includes snack. Special rates if parents assist in classroom. Topics include dinosaurs, kids in the kitchen, underwater adventures, on safari, and fun with science. Call (734) 261-9540.

Summer fun

Two sessions from 9 a.m. to noon and 12:30-3:30 p.m. begin June 12 and continue weekly through week of Aug. 21, at Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 42690 Cherry Hill, Canton. Each week children will engage in activities including the sciences, math, health, music, arts, and exercise. For ages 4-10 (children who are 3 but have been enrolled in preschool are welcome. Cost is \$60 per week and includes T-shirt, snacks and field trip fees. Call (734) 981-0286.

Presented by Bethany Suburban West, a Catholic organization to provide peer support to the divorced and separated of all Christian faiths 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, June 16, at St. Robert Bellarmine, 27101 W. Chicago and Inkster roads, Redford. Cost is \$15, includes refreshments. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. For details, call (734) 261-

Choir concert

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Sacred music by the High School Chancel Choir from Second Presbyterian Church, Bloomington, Illinois 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 16, at First Presbyterian Church, 1669 West Maple, Birmingham. A freewill offering will be collected to benefit Birmingham-First Music, a community music outreach organization which is sponsoring the event. Call (248) 644-2040, ext. 136.

Treasure Cove

Vacation Bible School, vest treasure hunt ever for ages 3 to sixth grade, Bible stories, songs, games, crafts, and snacks (students 7th through 12th grade will enjoy being treasure seekers) 6-8:40 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 19-23, at Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church, 9600 Leverne, north of W. Chicago, east of Inkster, Redford. Register in advance and receive a VBS music CD. Adult helpers welcome. For

more information, call (734) 591-6367 or (734) 422-3536.

Vacation Bible school

Treasure Cove theme 9:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 26-30, for ages 3-11, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. No charge. Call (734) 427-1414 or visit www.holycrosslivo-

The church's summer worship schedule continues to Sept. 3, with a Family Service at 8:30 a.m., Traditional Service at 10 a.m., both with Communion, Adult Study following at 11:15 am, from June 4 to Aug. 27 Wednesday Evening Service at 7:00 p.m., informal setting with Communion.

Scripture studies

7-8:30 p.m. Mondays in the lower level of Our Lady of Loretto Church, Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford, Call (313) 534-9000.

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mies in Plymouth and Ann Arbor. The private, Catholic schools grades K-8, are run by the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist at 10450 Joy Road, Plymouth, call (734) 414-8430, and

4101 East Joy Road, Ann Arbor, call (734) 996-3855.

### UPCOMING

Crafters wanted

For the St. Thomas a Becket Church Christmas Craft Show to be held 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2, at 555. S. Lilley Road, Canton. The church is now accepting applications for handmade crafts only. Call (734) 981-1333.

### ONGOING

Learner's Bible study

7 p.m. Mondays, in Room A101, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville. Call (248) 374-5920. Church service

Loving God by loving people, meets 10 a.m. Sunday, at Westwood Community Church, 1119 Newburgh, Westland. Donuts and coffee served. Call (734) 254-0093.

Bible study

Two classes meet 10 a.m. to noon the first and third Wednesdays, and 7-9 p.m. the first and third Thursdays, at St. Michael's Catholic Church, on Plymouth at Hubbard, Livonia. The Wednesday group is studying Women of Courage in the Bible. The Thursday session is reading the Letters of St. Paul from prison. Based on Little Rock Scripture Series. Call (734) 261-1455.

School registration Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran School is accepting applications for grades PK-8 for the 2006-2007 school year, at 9600 Leverne, Redford. After school care 3-6 p.m. Call (734) 937-2233 for

information. Bible study

Classes 9:30 a.m. Sunday, and 7 p.m.

**Conference for Christian Scholars** 

to be held at Rochester College

Wednesday, at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990. On Sunday Family

Worship begins at 10:45 a.m.

Purpose Driven Life Members, friends and neighbors of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Northville will be studying the best selling book The Purpose Driven Life by Rick Warren during Lent. Small groups will meet at homes in Livonia, Plymouth, Canton, Northville, Novi and South Lyon on Wednesday evenings during Lent. All faiths are welcome. Call (248) 349-3140 for more information.

Senior activities

Gathering for seniors 50 years and older 11:30 a.m. on the third Friday of every month at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh at Plymouth, Livonia, Any questions, call (734) 464-0990. Put together a salad dish and come out and meet other seniors. First we enjoy a wonderful lunch together then we fellowship with some

games and stories. Bible study groups

The Wednesday group meets 10 a.m. to noon on the first and third Wednesday of each month, the Thursday group 7-9 p.m. on the first and third Thursday of each month in the rectory at St. Michael's the Archangel Catholic Church, Plymouth and Hubbard, Livonia. The Wednesday group is studying Women of Courage in the Bible, the Thursday group The Letters of St. Paul from Prison, Classes are small and informal and based on the Little Rock Scripture Series. For infor-

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mation, call (734) 261-1455.

St. James Presbyterian Church offers a Wednesday luncheon every other Wednesday at noon; Thursday dinner at 6 p.m. for \$4 followed by Bible study at 7 p.m. and Chancel Choir rehearsal at 8 p.m.; Thrift store is open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Saturday; 10 a.m. women's study group second Saturday of the month, and Sunday worship at 10 a.m. (nursery available) and children's class at 10:15 a.m., at 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Call (313) 534-7730.

Scripture from scratch

No previous Bible study required, began 9:30-11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 31, at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington, Livonia. The units include the New Testament (April 11, 18, 25 and May 2, and Gospels (May 16, 23, 30, and June 6). Each session includes video presentation, small and large group discussions. Be one of the first 10 to receive the participant's manual for \$5. After that, the cost is \$10. To register, call (734) 425-5950.

Kabbalah classes

Presented by the Sara Tugman Bais Chabad Torah Center, the classes began 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 8, and 8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 11, at 5595 W. Maple, West Bloomfield, The classes are open for both beginners and more advanced students. Call (248) 855-6170, ext. 1 or send e-mail to BCTC770@aol.com.

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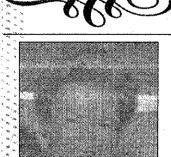
### JOHN WILLIAM (JACK) DEWALEN

Age 84, of East Ridge died Monday, May 29. 2006 in a local hospital. A native of Sagetown, MI. He had lived in Chattanooga for the past 18 years. He retired from advertising and had employed Burrough Adding Machines, Detroit News, and Matthews Bender. He was a Sergeant with the US Army during War II and was a member at OLPH Catholic Church. Mr. DeWalen graduated from Northern High School in Detroit and attended University. His wife, DeWalen, preceded him in death ir 2004. Services will be held Thursday at 10am in OLPH Catholic Church with Father Mike Nolan officiating. Burial will be in National Cemetery with military honors. Condolences may be sent at www.heritagefh.com Arrangements are by Heritage Funeral Home, Chattanooga, TN



### MARY JANE ROBERGE

Age 84 Passed away May 22. Beloved wife of the late Edward. mother (Elizabeth), Matthew (Dayle), Roger (Doris), David Philip (Cyndi). Grandmother of Matthew, Danielle, Alexander, Vincent and Jacqueline. Great grandmother of Dylan. 56 year resident Redford Township. Founding member of St. Hilary Parish.
Volunteered for many years at the Sienna Literacy Center. Leaves many friends and loving neighbors who would always see her with her canine companion, Finnegan. Funeral servic-es were were held May 26 at St. Hilary Church. Memorial contributions may be made to Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mt. Elliot Ave., Detroit, Michigan 48207-3496



### TERESA GIFFELS-BYRNE

May 27, 2006. Age 79 of Novi. Wife of the late Stevenson Giffels, Lawrence Blumenfield and William Byrne. Dear mother of James Giffels (Nancy). Betsy Berardino (Peter), and the late Phyllis Lee Giffels. Loving grandmother of Alexander and Christopher Berardino. Sister of Virginia King (Ken), and Rosemary Lindow (Richard). Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral mass was held Wednesday St. Regis Church. Memorials to St. Regis Church 3695 Lincoln Bloomfield Hills, 48301. View obituary and share memories at www.DesmondFuneralHome.com

### ALICE S. AHO Age 94, of Northville, passed away

peacefully on May 28, 2006. She was born on January 27, 1912 in Liminga, Matt and Selma (Walstrom) Riipi. Mrs. Aho was very family oriented: she adored her family and took great care of them. She vas married to her loving husband, Wayne J. Aho, for 49 years, until he passed away in 1985. Survivors include her daughters, Margaret Hushen of PA, Ilona (Don) Monteith of Charlevoix, and Nancy (Gary) Fischer of Northville; 10 grandchil dren and 18 great-grandchildren whom she adored. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and seven brothers and sisters. A memorial service will be held Saturday, June 3, 11am, at our Saviour Apostolic Lutheran Church, 54899 Eight Mile Road, Northville (south-east corner of 8 Mile and Currie). Pastor Jered Niemela will officiate the service. Mrs. Aho will be laid to rest at Askel Cemetery in Pelkie, MI. The family would appreciate memorial contributions to the Alzheimer's Association, 20300 Civic Center Drive, Ste 100, Southfield, MI 48076 Arrangements entrusted to Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. of Northville.



WALTER H. EKBERG, Jr. Age 84, died peacefully on May 26 in

Portland, Oregon, after fulfilling a wonderful life. He was husband to his best friend and love of his life, Mary, for 64 glorious years. Walt was a great Dad to his son Jim Ekberg and daughters Jo Anne Lewis and Jan Brown. He was Grandpa to Geoff, Doug, Jenny, Nikki, Ian, David, and Sarah; and Great-Grandfather to Zachary Henry, Elizabeth, Lily, Joshua, and Seth; and big brother to Robert Ekberg of Grandville, MI. Walt and his wife, Mary, were Michigan State sweethearts and graduates, and Walt was member of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity. They lived many years in Birmingham, MI, and were active in the Christian Science Church. Walt served in the U.S. Navy during WWII and the Korean War. Born and raised in Royal Oak, MI, he started his career at Ford Motor Company, Dearborn, and always drove a Ford. He served the remainder of his career as Comptroller for A. J. Miller, Inc. in Royal Oak. Walt and Mary semiretired in 1983 to Newcastle, Maine where they ran a small gift shop, called "The Maine Sale", out of their charming 1800's home by the sea. They fell in love with Maine and stayed there, happily, for 22 years. In April 2005 they moved to Portland, Oregon, to be near their son, Jim, who would lovingly care for them. was a true gentleman, a loving husband and father, with a good, pure, and generous heart. He left his family with wonderful memories and 110 beautifully written personal essays. He will truly be missed. A service is not planned. Naturally, he didn't want one. But one day, the ashes of the mariner he once was will rejoin the sea on a slack tide at the Damariscotta River Bridge in Maine, just down the street from their Maine shang-ri-la. If you care to send a memorial donation in his name, please send to: First Church of Christ Scientist, P. O. Box

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RILEY DANIELLE CHURCH

Riley Danielle Church passed away peacefully in the loving arms of her family in San Carlos, CA, on May 24, 2006 at the age of 14. Beloved daughter of Marty and Andrea Church. Loving sister of Sam Church. Devoted granddaughter of Jim and Ethel Church and Jim and Kay Whitaker, Benecia Price, Ted and Georgia Whitaker and Michael and Kari Schott. She will also be missed by numerous cousins and other family members, many devoted friends and by her sweet kitties, Minnie and Lulu. Riley had a passion for horses and was a skilled equestrian. She will be greatly missed by her beloved horse, Louie, and her friends at Webb Ranch. Her family wishes to express a special thank you to Dr. Paul Fisher and all the wonderful staff at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital. Funeral Services were held Sunday, May 28 at Peninsula Temple Beth El, 1700 Alameda de las Pulgas San Mateo. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Pediatric Neuro- Oncology Research c/o L.P.F.C.H., 770 Welch Rd., Ste, 350, Palo Alto, CA 94304. Sinai Memoiral Chapel, 650-369-3636



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### Christian Scholars Conference June 29-July 1. The conference was created in 1981 under the direction of Dr. Thomas H. Olbricht, scholar and

faculty in both communication and religious studies. First hosted on the campus of Abilene Christian University, CSC moved with Olbricht to Pepperdine University in the mid '80s. In the mid '90s CSC began to re-locate each year at selected university campuses associated with Churches of Christ. Rochester College will host the conference in 2006 and for four successive years.

Rochester College will host the 25th Annual

The CSC calls together Christian scholars from a wide variety of disciplines in the liberal arts and sciences to develop their own academic research and to reflect on the integration of scholarship and faith. Specifically, the conference asks academics to consider how their spiritual heritage serves and strengthens the Christian academy and scholarship within their discipline.

The 2006 conference features five plenary ses-

sions with more than 20 discipline-specific sessions. This year's theme is "Mind, Word and World:

Christian Scholarship, Scripture and Political Realities." Dr. Richard Hays, Duke University, will present two keynotes with the opening session entitled, "The Scripture Project: Reading in Community and Dialogue with Those Outside the Christian Community."

The 2006 Conference will introduce an African American Studies Section chaired by Dr. David Holmes, professor of English at Pepperdine. Additionally, to encourage, mentor and support African American Scholars amongst Churches of Christ, travel and registration stipends are available to encourage fuller representation in all academic disciplines from African American scholars.

More information on the stipends and the conference is available at www.rc.edu/csc or directly from Fleer at (248)218-2144.

Rochester College is located at 800 W. Avon Road, Rochester Hills.

### Cantata celebrates freedom around the world

include Finkelstein, Cantor

Cong. Shaarey Zedek in Southfield presents a momentous concert with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra at 8 p.m. Thursday, June 29, at Orchestra Hall in the Max M. Fisher Music Center. The performance, designed to be a grand communal and interfaith event, features the cantata Liberation, composed by Shaarey Zedek Cantor Meir Finkelstein.

Leading the orchestra will be Yoel Levi, chief conductor of the Flemish Radio Orchestra and principal guest conductor of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra.

Underwritten by Alvin and Henrietta Weisberg and the Laker Family, the concert will feature the 140 member Vanguard Voices from Dearborn, as well as guest violin soloist Ittai Shapira and several vocal soloists. These

Michael Smolash and cantorial soloist Neil Michaels of Temple Israel, and Cantor Stephen Dubov of Chaye Olam. Also appearing are Inga Filippova, a member of the Canadian Opera Co. Chorus and Margarita Boshoer, a wellknown Russian soprano. Many of Detroit's religious leaders will participate in dramatic readings that introduce various movements of the cantata. Designed as a fundraiser in

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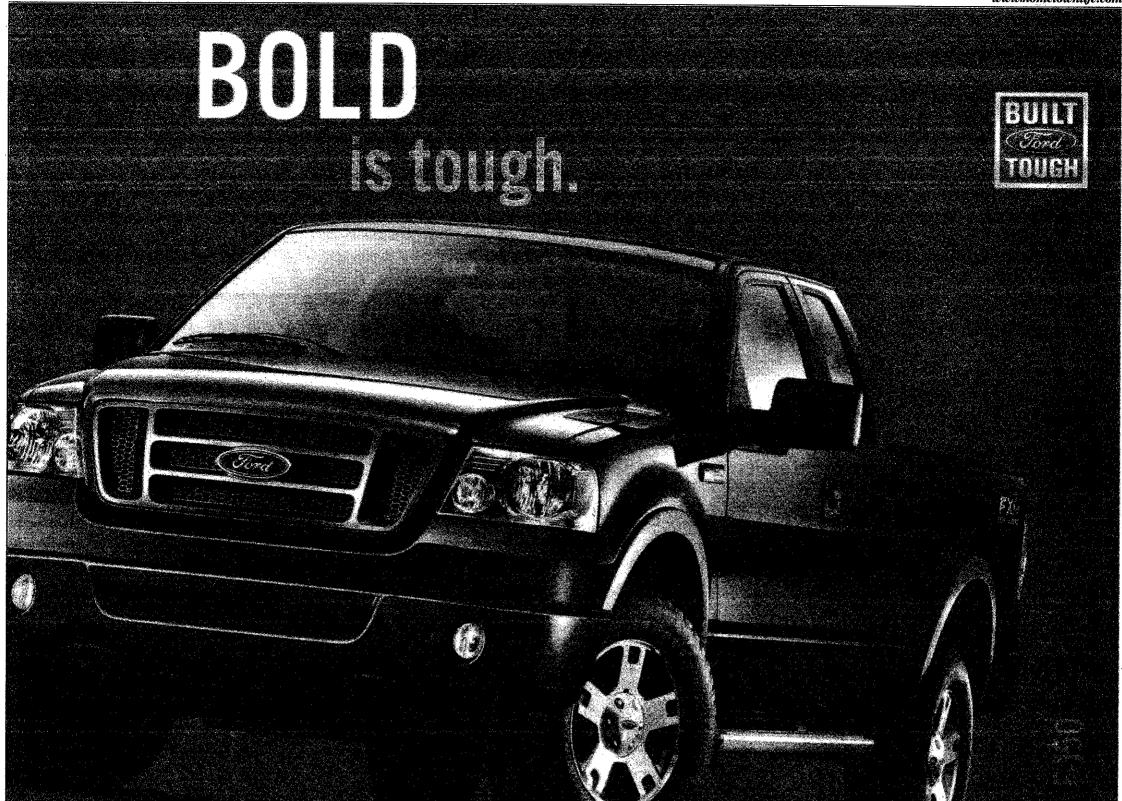
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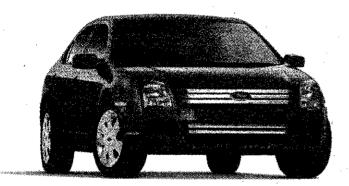
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Daniel Mullett (left) and Nick Kim-Moyer battle for possession of the ball during a Canton Cup game played Saturday at Independence Park. Thousands of players between the ages of 7 and 18 competed in the three-day tournament.



The 24th Annual Canton Cup drew large and enthusiastic crowds to the sidelines. Many fans used umbrellas to shield themselves from the relentless sun.

# Success fills 24th 'Cup' to the brim

See list of divisional winners on Page B3.

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

One thought raced through John Vaughn's mind Saturday afternoon as he maneuvered a golf cart around the grid of 24 soccer fields and thousands of spectators who had congregated at Canton's Independence Park for the 24th Annual Canton Cup Classic soccer tournament.

"At one point, during the peak of Saturday's action, I stopped the cart, looked around and saw all the games going on, all the parents and siblings watching the games, all the activities that were available, and I thought, "This is what it's all about," said Vaughn, the first-year director of the three-day soccer fest that is organized by the Canton Soccer Club.

"Everywhere I looked, the players were having fun playing, the families were having fun watching the games, and the volunteers were pitching in to make sure everything was running smoothly. It made me proud to be involved with such a great event."

### BIG NUMBERS

The 2006 Canton Cup attracted 449 teams, which played in a total of 743 games at Independence, Heritage and

PLEASE SEE **CUP, B3** 

# Collop throws Plymouth hitters for a loop

BY ED WRIGHT

The humidity was unbearably sticky during Tuesday afternoon's Division 1 pre-District baseball game between Plymouth and Wayne Memorial.

But it wasn't nearly as nasty as Zebra starting pitcher Justin Collop's heat.

Collop combined his mid-80s fastball with a knee-buckling curve to limit the host Wildcats to four hits over the first six

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innings in Wayne's 6-2 victory. Andrew Kaleto pitched a scoreless seventh for the winners.

The Zebras will take an 8-15 mark into Saturday's District semifinal contest against crosstown rival Westland John Glenn. The first pitch at Birmingham Seaholm High

School is slated for 10 a.m.
"I tired out a little quicker than
I normally do because of the

heat, but I felt pretty good today," said Collop, a senior. "I only made a few mistakes and two of them went pretty far."

Collop was referring to
Plymouth senior Alex Harvey's
two solo home runs that were
launched over the left-field fence
and into the laps of several John
Glenn players who were scouting
their next opponents from a hill
overlooking the field.

"All around, this was the best game we've played all season," said first-year Wayne coach Frank Garcia. "We only had one error and we hit the ball as well as we have all year.

"Justin pitched extremely well. He did a good job of locating his pitches. The two home runs he gave up were to a very good hitter"

The setback capped the Wildcats' record at 11-18.

"Collop has a way of making the teams he pitches against look lackadaisical, but that wasn't the case at all with us today," said Plymouth coach Chuck Adams. "The kids were into it from the first pitch to the last."

In the shadow of his team's season-ending setback, Adams said he was happy Harvey went out with a bang.

"What better way to go out than with two dongs," said Adams, referring to his senior second baseman's two roundtrippers. "Alex is a great kid and a great baseball player. He's been a pleasure to coach."

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### Division 1 District Soccer Action———

# It's history

Wildcats earn first girls soccer district victory over GC, 3-2

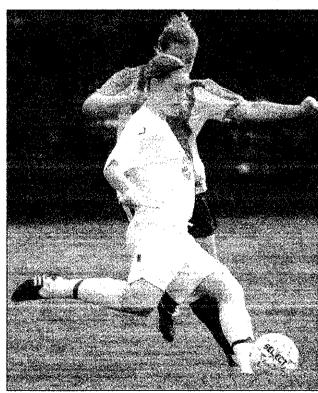
BY TIM SMITH STAFF WRITER

With 15 minutes left Tuesday, Garden City scored a goal to take a 2-1 lead over visiting Plymouth in a Division 1 girls soccer district match.

But instead of wilting in the steamy heat, the Wildcats stormed right back for a historical 3-2 victory, the first district win in school history.

"These seniors wanted to go out with a win," said Wildcats' head coach Jeffrey Neschich. "They've been the underdogs their first three

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAP

Canton senior Ali Perry fires the ball past Westland John Glenn's
Margie Shupe during Tuesday's 9-0 Chief victory in the opening
round of the Division 1 District tournament at P-CEP soccer stadium.

Frederick, who earned All-Wester
Lakes Activities Association hono
in 2005 and 2006. "Even though

### Chiefs rout Glenn, roll into semifinal

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

As usual, 20 saves weren't enough for Westland John Glenn goalkeeper Melissa Frederick during Tuesday afternoon's Division I District quarterfinal game against Canton.

The Chiefs (11-5-2) brought the curtain down on Frederick's brilliant high school career — and the Rockets' season — by registering a 9-0 victory in the game played at the P-CEP soccer stadium.

While the competition promises to improve during the Chiefs' quest for a 2006 District crown, the same can't be said for the opponents' goal-keeping — at least not in the estimation of Canton coach George Tomasso.

"She was the best keeper in our league this year and she's probably the best in this District, too," Tomasso said, referring to Frederick, who earned All-Western Lakes Activities Association honors in 2005 and 2006. "Even though

John Glenn didn't come in with a great record, I told my team that they couldn't take any team for granted, especially when the other team has a goalie like Melissa Frederick."

While the game served as a sobering swan song for Frederick, it proved to be an uplifting debut for Canton's Megan Staub, who tallied a pair of goals in her first prep game. Staub's first goal came with 6:50 left when she deposited a 15-yard shot past Frederick's outstretched arms and into the upper-left-hand corner of the net. Just over a minute later, she found the back of the net after pouncing on a rebound off her own penalty kick.

"One of the nice things about today's game was that we were able to give our starters some rest and give some other girls some playing time," Tomasso said.

The Rockets finished with a 3-14-1 mark. Canton will host Ann Arbor Pioneer this afternoon at 5 p.m. The two teams battled to a scoreless draw on April 28.

### Baseball camp

The Canton Chiefs summer baseball camp still has openings. The camp,

which is for kids aged 7 and up, will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30

p.m. June 19-23 at the Canton varsity baseball field.

field. The cost of the camp is \$100.

Registration forms for the camp can be obtained at the Web site www.cantonchiefsbaseball.com or by contacting Debbie Neu at (734) 454-9144.

### **Gems tryouts**

The Gems on Ice synchronized skating teams are currently holding private auditions for the 2006-07 season. The Gems, who skate out of the Compuware Sports Arena in Plymouth, will be fielding USFS juvenile, novice, junior and masters teams.

Anyone interested in trying out for the team should contact director Elise Metric at director@gemsskatingteams.c om.

The Gems' Web site is www.gemsskatingteams.com.

### Hawks win

The Michigan Hawks improved to 3-0 in the W-League's Midwest Division with a 2-1 soccer victory Saturday over the host Cincinnati Ladyhawks at Lakota East (Ohio) H.S.

Asuka Kubota scored in the 20th minute on a shot from 25 yards out followed by Kristi Swaving's fourth of the season, the eventual game-winner in the 60th minute on an assist from Salem High grad Marissa Sarkesian (now at Texas A&M).

Cincinnati scored with only five minutes left in the match.

The Hawks women return to action 7:30 p.m. this Saturday to face the Chicago (III.) Gaels at Livonia Stevenson H.S.

### Sand volleyball

Registration is now open for an upcoming "Play in the Sand" sand volleyball tournament, which will be organized by the Canton Leisure Services.

The tournament will be held in Freedom Park in Canton on July 8. The first games will begin at 9 a.m. with two- and four-person divisions available.

Teams can register at

the Summit on the Park or by phone at (734) 483-5600. The deadline for registration is June 30.

For more information regarding the leagues or the upcoming tournament, contact Natalja Tinina at (734) 483-5600.

### WILDCATS

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years playing kids older than them."

Thanks to the triumph at Garden City, the Wildcats (9-12) will visit Northville (16-2) at 6 p.m. Thursday.

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Plymouth came from behind on two long-range floaters that snuck in under the crossbar behind Garden City junior goalkeeper Amanda Pickworth.

Knotting the score with about 12 minutes remaining was senior forward Stacey Dillon, who lofted her shot from about 30 yards behind Pickworth.

Just four minutes later, junior forward Valerie Klemmer scored on almost an identical shot and the Wildcats held on to capture the first district victory in the school's four-year history.

"We just saw their goalie was playing out of position, so we just tried to get more stuff on net," Neschich noted.

Briefly during the second half, however, it was iffy whether the team's nine seniors – forwards Dillon, Elizabeth Martin, midfielders Kelly Buttermore, Chelsea D'Agostino, Colleen Flaherty, Kathleen Hughes and defenders Meghan Hill, Courtney Pickard and Chelsea Seesholtz – would finally experience postseason success.

"This is the first class of seniors here at Plymouth High School and they had yet to win a district game," said Neschich. "And I'm sure they weren't feeling real well about how they were performing up to that point."

The goals by Dillon and Klemmer got the Wildcats over the hump. And down the stretch, Plymouth's superior depth coupled with the heat factor seemed to grind the Cougars' offense down to a stop.

"We cycled a lot more players in than they did," Neschich said.

Garden City (6-11-1) opened the scoring early in the second half when junior Katie Hearn deposited a rebound behind Plymouth junior goalkeeper Brittany Warner.

The Wildcats tied the match at 1-1 with less than 28 minutes to play. Junior defender Clare Baptist dribbled the ball up the right side of the pitch and sent a feed up to Klemmer, who did the rest. Klemmer maneuvered around the Garden City defense and found the back of the goal.

Hearn then scored on a breakaway with about 15 minutes left to put the Cougars up 2-1. Senior forward Liz Raleigh assisted on both of Hearn's goals.

That set the stage for Plymouth's late heroics and history-making.

Meanwhile, the Wildcats probably had the best scoring chance of the first half. With about 2:20 left until halftime, officials awarded a penalty kick to Hill. She collided with Pickworth, who came out of her goal to play a loose ball.

But Hill drove the ensuing shot right into Pickworth's midsection.

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# No. 2-ranked Gryphons next for red-hot Eagles

•The Plymouth Christian Academy girls soccer team's magical season continued Tuesday afternoon with a 5-1 victory over Southfield Christian in a Division 4 District semifinal contest in Southfield.

The win improved the Eagles' record to 14-0-1 and set up this afternoon's District final showdown against Ann Arbor Greenhills, which is ranked No. 2 in the state. PCA will take a No. 8 state ranking into the game. The game is set to begin at 3:30 p.m. at Greenhills.

SC employed a strategy that most of the Eagles' opponents have tried this year — stacking the 18-yard box with defenders.

"They had so many players in the box that we had a hard time getting the ball through a lot of the time," said PCA coach Bob Lorion. "We missed a lot of shots wide, too. The score could have easily been

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10-0."

PCA led 2-0 at the half thanks to goals from Jalese Debiasi and Karen Cleary.

After SC's Alexandra Spurlock scored early in the second half, PCA improved its advantage to 4-1 on a pair of goals off the foot of mid-fielder Abby Lorion. Brooke Willjams added an unassisted netfinder to seal the triumph.

Debiasi notched a pair of assists while Peggy Abraham was credited with one.

Mim Monroe earned the victory in goal for the Eagles, who are expected to have their hands full with Greenhills.

"That will be our toughest test so far this season," promised Lorion. "Greenhills is very quick and they're well-coached. They play their positions well and they get to a lot of loose balls. It should be a very good game"

very good game."

GREENHILLS 10, LUTH. WESTLAND 0:
Lutheran High Westland coach
Ken Shingledecker, who coordinates the Division IV state rankings, got a first-hand look Tuesday
against the state's No. 2-ranked
team and came away impressed.

Karly Topper and Marcia Silveira each scored a pair of goals as host Ann Arbor Greenhills rolled past the Warriors (3-11-1) in a Division IV district opener.

"They're the best team we've played all year, they're pretty impressive," said Shingledecker, whose team trailed 3-0.

The Lutheran Westland coach singled out the play of sophomore forward Sam Terranella.

"She was working hard," he said.
NORTHVILLE 7, FRANKLIN 1: The
Mustangs (16-2), ranked No. 2 in
Division I, opened district tourna-

ment play Tuesday with a lopsided victory at Livonia Franklin (8-8-2).

victory at Livonia Franklin (8-8-2). Northville, a 4-0 winner over the Patriots in a previous meeting,

jumped out to a 6-1 halftime lead. Vanessa Bailey led the Mustangs in scoring with three goals and one assist. Junior Danielle Toney con-

tributed two goals and three assist. Other Northville standouts included Sarah Stern, one goal and two assists; and Lindsay Blair, one

goal and one assist.
Franklin's Cassie LaPrairie
ruined Northville's shutout bid
with a second-half goal from
Diana Brda.

Mary Lambert was in goal for the Patriots.

"Obviously Northville is a good team and we did the best we could," Franklin coach Jen Barker said. "The scoreboard was not an indicator how we played. But Northville is going to be a tough team to beat at this rate."

## Spartans end Salem's season

Livonia Stevenson was able to crack Salem's defensive alignment Tuesday to register a 3-0 girls soccer victory over the visiting Rocks in the opening round of the Division I district tournament.

The Spartans, now 13-4-3 overall, take on rival Livonia Churchill, 11-3-4, in a district semifinal match 4 today at Northville. (Stevenson won the first meeting, 1-0.)

Stevenson controlled play from start to finish against the Rocks, who finished the year 4-9-2 overall.

Ally King scored a pair of first-half goals for the Spartans, the first coming off a rebound when Alana Lavery crossed a ball from deep in Salem territory, which glanced off the Salem goalkeeper's fingertips.

King then knocked home Kat Griffith's pass off a volley with two minutes remaining in the first half.

"Salem used a 5-4-1 formation, which packs a number of players into the box and around the goal area, making service into that area very difficult," Stevenson coach Chris Pinta said. "We basically possessed the ball throughout a majority of the game, their only chances coming on counter-attacks where they launched the ball behind our backline and tried to outrun our backs. Shaina (O'Connor)

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read most of these and picked them off."
In the second half, Salem pushed up
and tried to generate more offense.

"We kept our three in the back, confident we could hold them off," Pinta said. The Spartans' Rachel Thompson

The Spartans' Rachel Thompson capped the scoring midway through the second half on a scrum in front of the Salem net following a corner kick taken by Mallory Fox.

"I was pleased with the result tonight," Pinta said. "It's frustrating playing against Salem because they pack so many players in. Moving the ball inside of 30 yards is so difficult because of all the bodies. None-the-less we took advantage of what they gave us and preserved the victory."

Stevenson's backline of Liz Tokarsky, Fox, Courtney Calka and Julia Schroeder all stood out.

"I thought Ally (King) was our best player tonight, and I felt our back three did well shutting Kelly Adsit (Salem's top player) down," Pinta said. "Kat (Griffith) created a lot for us as usual, and I thought Thompson gave us a boost in the second half with some solid play."

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Northern; Kristin March, Sr., Salem;
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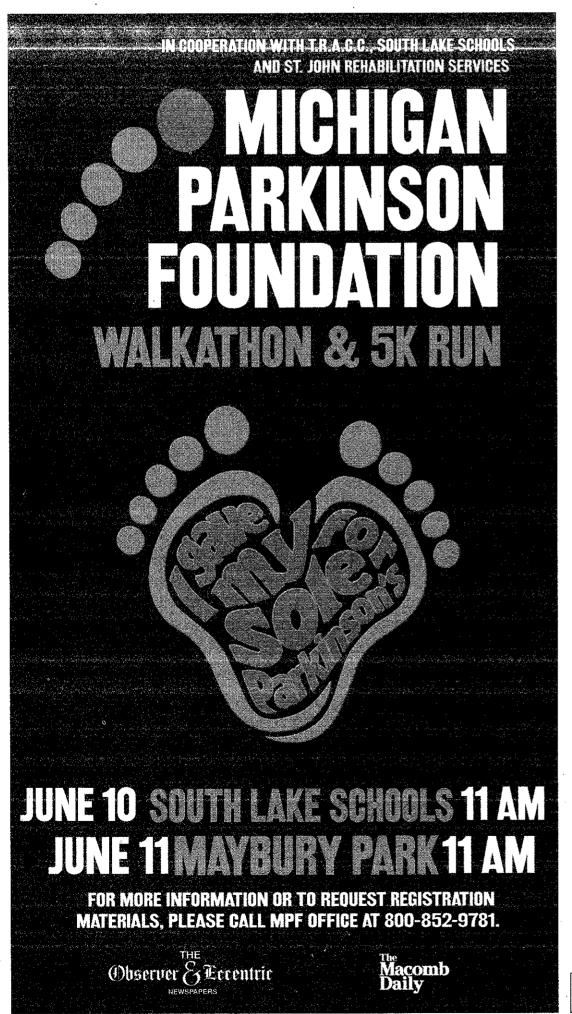
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DIVISION STANDINGS
Western: 1. Northville, 5-0; 2. Canton, 4-1; 3. Franklin, 3-2; 4. Plymouth, 2-3; 5. W.L. Western, 1-4; 6. Wayne, 0-5. Lakes: 1. Stevenson, 5-0; 2. (tie) W.L. Central and W.L. Northern, 2-1-2; 3. Churchill, 1-1-3; 5. Salem, 1-3-1; 6. John Glenn, 0-5.

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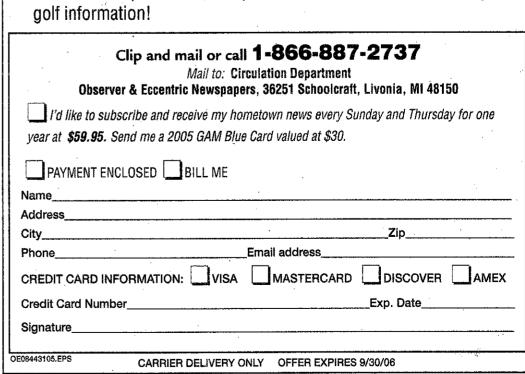




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Westland's Austin Valentine and Canton's Daniel Richardson follow the path of the ball during a Canton Cup game Saturday afternoon at Independence Park in Canton.

### CUP

FROM PAGE B1

Griffin Parks. Players ranged in age from 7 to 18 years old.

Four of those teams were coached by Canton resident Bill Joker, who witnessed the inaugural tournament in 1983.

"From what I remember, there were only about 100 teams in the very first one, so it's grown quite a bit," said Joker, who coached both a first- and second-place team in this year's Cup. "They used to play all the games at what is now Heritage Park, but I think they called it CRC back then. Thanks to all of the volunteers and organizers, it's grown into one of the biggest tournaments of its kind in the Midwest."

### **CROWDED SIDELINES**

Canton resident Greg Sanders, who has served as the tournament's assistant director for the past seven years, said there seemed to be more spectators than ever before at this year's event.

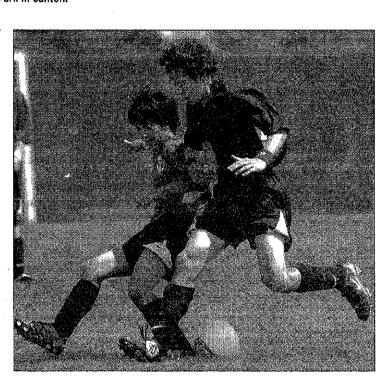
"I noticed that a lot more people seemed to set up tents and stick around for the entire day instead of watching a game and then leaving," said Sanders, who learned from law enforcement officials that the tournament attracted an estimated 28,000 visitors to Canton. "Teams used to play and go, but not this year. One club, CW3 out of Walled Lake, had about 200 people who camped out all day in one corner of Independence Park.

"The most amazing thing about this event is that just about everyone who comes to it once, comes back again. I've never heard one person say that they're not returning the following year."

### **LOCAL SUCCESS**

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Temperatures in the 90s didn't get in the way of some heated on-field battles at the 24th Annual Canton Cup soccer tournament Saturday afternoon. The annual event drew 449 teams to Canton.

the fact that the Canton and Plymouth areas are not only good soccer hosts, they're good players as well. According to Canton Cup scheduler Mike Jones, 39 local teams made it to the final game of their respective divisions. Of th finalists, 12 Canton teams won titles and 18 finished runners-

The Plymouth Soccer Club also fared well as three of its teams won gold medals and six took silver.

"This tournament is one of the highlights of the season for our team," said Debbie Baugh, the manager for the U13/14 Canton Tornadoes rec team. "We always organize a lot of extra stuff for the players and parents this weekend. We have a team dinner, the parents have a night out together. Everybody really gets fired up for it each year."

Vaughn said the preparation for the event started bright and early Thursday morning.

"Most people don't realize that the Canton Soccer Club has regular-season games right up until Wednesday night and that each park location gets transformed into our tournament layout in less than two days," Vaughn said. "We have to set up over 20 tents, set up the goals, line the fields and set up enough electrical generator power to light up a small city.

"Greg Sanders and Rick Caron — our head field coordinator — have made my job so much easier by supervising the efforts at the sites.

Vaughn said plans are already in the works to make next year's tournament — the Canton Cup silver anniversary - better than ever.

"Our goal is to get 500 teams next year," said Vaughn. "We'd also like to have a fireworks show one night."

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### **CANTON CUP RESULTS**

Listed below are the scores of the championship games in each of the 24th Annual Canton Cup's 63 brackets.

> **BOYS BRACKETS** Under 9 BLUE Canton Oaks Premier 8 AA United Rangers 2

Hartland Panthers 4 Pato Magic Venom 97 0 GREEN **BYSA Force 5** Plymouth Kicks White 0 **ORANGE** Pato Magic 3 **BUFC Mavericks 2** 

WHITE NW Screaming Eagles 4 Troy Blue 2 Under 10 BLUE

CW3 Extreme Red 1 Canton Oaks Premier O SCOR Red-Ellis 2 Dexter Volcanoes 0

GREEN Troy White 1 BYSA Force Blue 0
ORANGE Royal Oak Renegades 1 Canton Stingrays 0

WHITE Lincoln Blue Thunder Canto Tornados O Under 11 BLUE Canton Oaks Premier 6

PASS Impact Blue 2 RED Los Matadors 4 Farmington Force 0
GREEN

TNT Dynamite 5 PASS Impact Orange 1 ORANGE Plymouth Kicks Gold 2 WSC Storm 1

Canton Red Devils 1 Under 12

WAZA Red 3 Windsor FC Nationals 0 SCOR Red Potter 4 East Lansing Force 1
GREEN WAZA Blue 5

R.O. Renegades White 2 ORANGE Gladiators 2 Flint Steelers Fire 1

Canton Tigers 1 Under 13 Canton Oaks Premier 4 Detroit Diesel 1

DYSL Fusion 1 Canton Oaks Premier 0 GREEN Farmington Force 2 WAZÁ FC East 1 ORANGE BUFC Mavericks-D 3

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**Canton Warriors** player Nick Kim-Moyer cools down after a hot game Saturday

DYSL Knights 4 Livonia Rockets 1 Under 14 BLUE Soccer Explosion Red 2 Canton Oaks Premier 1 Hartland Matrix 2

Dearborn Eagles 2 ORANGE Dexter Tsunami 2 Farmington Force 1 Under 13/14 Monroe Utd. 1 DYSL Fusion 0

Plymouth Kicks 1 GREEN

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BYSA Storm White 2 Canton Quest Select Open O GREEN Canton Quest 2B 7 Canton Cuda-Sharks 1 BLUE

Plymouth Lightning Green 2 Canton Quest Premier 1 Plymouth Lightning White 3

afternoon.

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GPSA Breakers 2

NMSC Thunder 0

WHITE Canton Bombers 2

Canton High Fivers 0

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Plymouth Tornados 0 Plymouth Gators 0

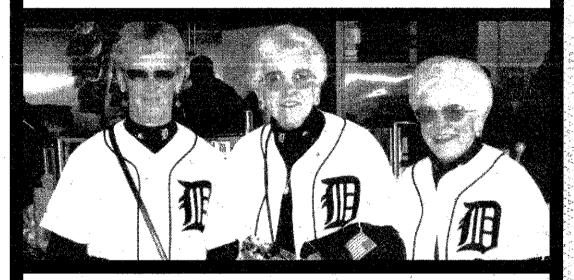
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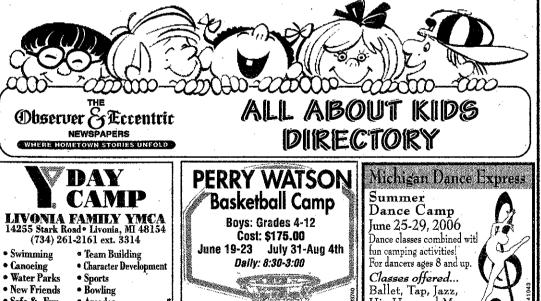


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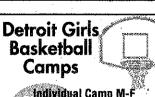






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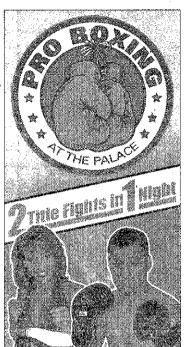


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## Plymouth buries WM

Freshman Beth Heldmever went 3-for-3 and stole four

bases Tuesday leading the host Wildcats (23-7-1) to an 11-1 victory over Wayne Memorial (3-





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24) in a Division I pre-District game played at Plymouth.

Freshman Erin Rodes doubled twice in three trips, while Kim Klonowski contributed a three-run triple to spark a sixrun Plymouth outburst in the opening inning.

Klonowski finished with four RBI on the day, while freshman Jill Brennan went 2-for-4.

Alysa Henning and Caitlyn Duenas had the only hits for Wayne, which left the bases loaded twice while scoring only one run. Starter Claire Ostrowski pitched a scoreless first for the Wildcats before Megan Patterson worked the final four innings to earn the win. Patterson struck out four, walked two and hit two batters. She allowed both hits.

Wayne starter Jesse Harris. a sophomore, took the loss.

# Brockert's career a grand slam at MU

STAFF WRITER

It was fitting that Madonna University senior softball stalwart Erin Brockert and Aquinas University's Tarin Foster went head-to-head at the recent NAIA regional.

Brockert - the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Player of the Year - slammed a three-run homer against WHAC Pitcher of the Year Foster to lift Madonna into the Region VIII championship against Cornerstone.

Unfortunately, the Crusaders lost to the Golden Eagles and finished with a 35-15 record. But the Brockert homer capped off a pretty special two-year career just the same, noted Madonna veteran head coach Al White.

"Erin's been an outstanding athlete and competitor here," White said.

Not only did Brockert pack punch at the plate – she finished with a .396 batting average with seven home runs and 35 RBI – she was an imposing figure on the mound.

The Dayton, Ohio native went 21-10 with a 1.95 earnedrun average, and fanned 182 batters in 183 innings to set a new school mark for strikeouts (303, breaking the previous mark of 289 by Jenny Tenver).

Of Brockert's 26 starts, she



Madonna University's Erin Brockert, sending a pitch toward the plate during the recent NAIA regionals, earned further distinction by being named the 2006 Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Player of the Year. Earlier in her MU career, she was named the conference's top pitcher twice.

finished 23 of them, and tossed seven shutouts.

"Some of the comments we heard from other teams makes us realize how good she is," White said. "They know what a competitor she really is and we're going to miss her, no doubt about it."

In 2005, Brockert and Foster were the conference's top pitcher and player, respec-

Brockert also was named to

the 2006 WHAC All-Conference first team at pitcher/designated player (along with Aquinas' Foster).

Other Madonna All-Conference first teamers included sophomore outfielder Heather Richardson (Canton), senior outfielder Crystal Little (Wayne Memorial) and freshman first baseman Alison Grant.

Richardson batted .315 with nine homers and 31 RBI,

Little sported a .292 average with 15 RBI and Grant batted .377, contributing six roundtrippers and 45 RBI.

The Crusaders also had two players on the WHAC honorable mention list, sophomore catcher-first baseman and Livonia Ladywood graduate Stephanie Day (.294, two homers, 28 RBI) and sophomore first baseman Christina Finch (.321, five homers, 18 RBI).



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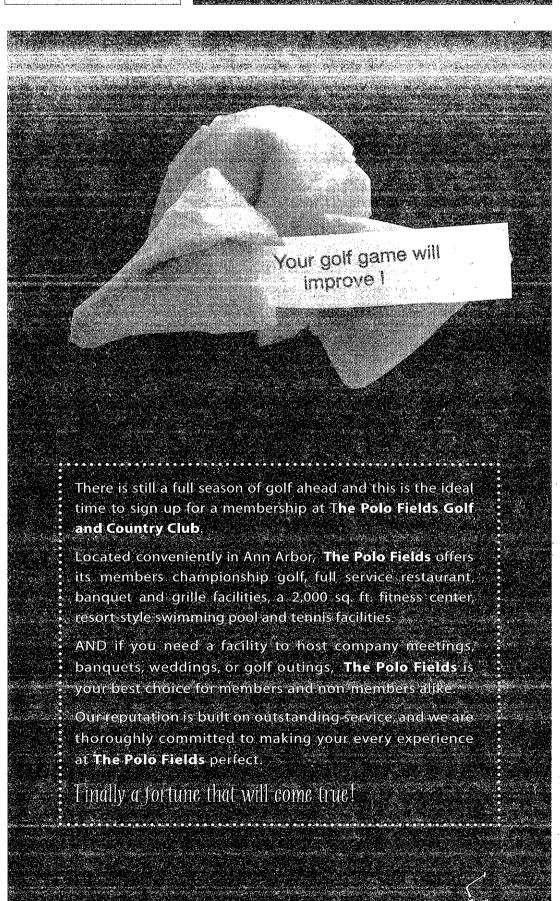
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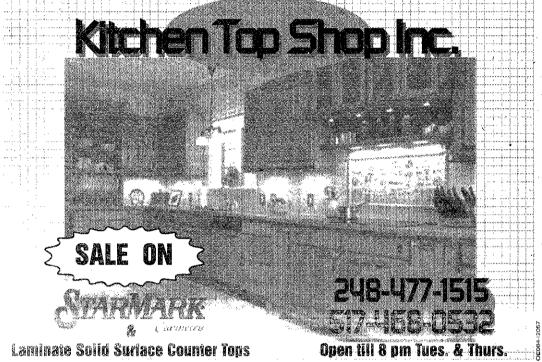
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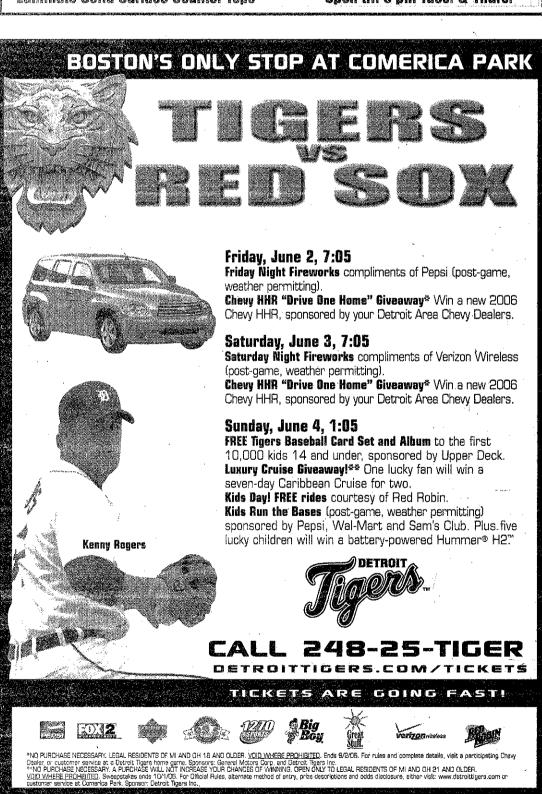


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### BASEBALL

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Although the game was played on the Wildcats' home turf, the Zebras were the designated home team, which allowed Collop and his batterymate — Andrew Ponican — an early opportunity to display their strong arms. After Plymouth lead-off batter Matt Barerra walked to open the game, Ponican swiftly gunned him down at second on an attempted steal.

Ponican also erased the only other Wildcat to reach base in the opening three frames when he threw out pinch-runner Nate McManus on a stolen-base attempt to end the bottom of the third. McManus was running for Plymouth starting pitcher Bryan Stotz, who had walked.

The Zebras touched Stotz and reliever T.J. Downey for a pair of runs in each of the first three innings. In the first, Earl Martin laced a lead-off single and, one out later, advanced to second after Kaleto was hit by a pitch. Following a successful doublesteal, both Martin and Kaleto scored on Mike Green's base hit to right-center.

Wayne doubled its lead to 4-0 in the second on Brent Rexin's two-run double that plated Ponican and Martin. The Zebras' final runs came in the third when James Sikora tripled in Collop, who had led off with a double. Sikora then scored on Ponican's fielder's choice groundball.

Harvey's first blast came with two outs in the fourth when he ripped a letter-high 3-2 fastball from Collop over the left-field fence for the Wildcats' first hit. He connected again in the sixth when he sent a hanging curveball from Collop into the middle of the Rockets' contingent to make it 6-2.

Harvey's second home run seemed to spark the Wildcats as Tyler Locklear followed with a double and Ben Kosmalski singled. However, Collop subdued the threat by getting Garrett Rebain and Ronnie Goble to fly

Kaleto took exception to the way the Rockets threw the balls back onto the field following Harvey's home runs.

"I don't know if they were trying to intimidate us or what when they tossed the balls back on the field like that," said Kaleto. "I know we'll be ready

### **SPORTS ROUNDUP**

### SOFTBALL CLINIC

The Plymouth High School softball team's coaching staff will be holding a fast-pitch softball clinic on Sunday, June 4. The clinic will be held at the Plymouth varsity softball field and run from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The clinic will move to the Plymouth High School gym if it rains.

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for them Saturday. We were a little shaky early in the season, but we've been playing a lot better lately. We have some momentum, too, after beating

Plymouth on their home field." Adams said he was happy with how his team battled this season, its first with seniors.

"The No. 1 thing I wanted from this team this year was improvement and we definitely improved," Adams said. "We competed and we were in just about every game."

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Pitchers: Brent Spencer, Jr., Northville; Justin Collup, Sr. Catcher: D.J. Tracy, Sr., Franklin.

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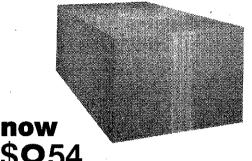
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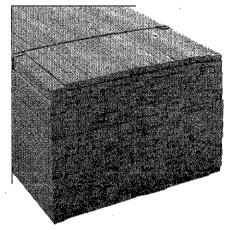
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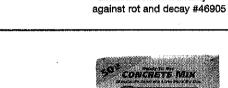
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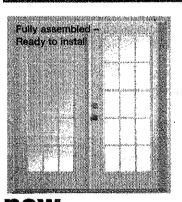
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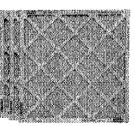
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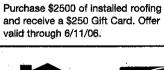
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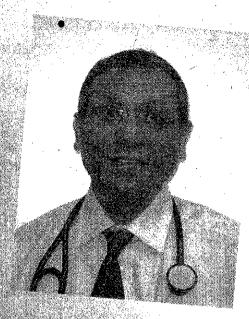
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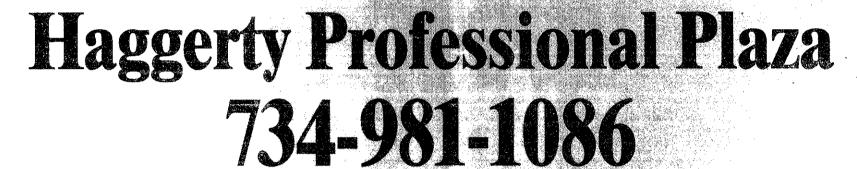


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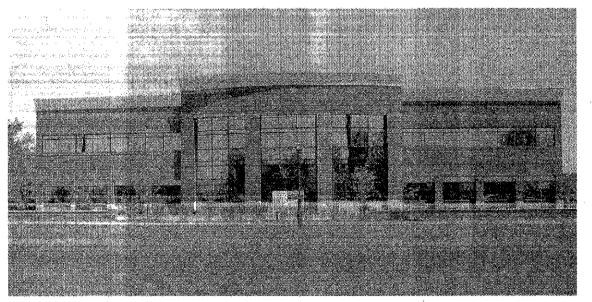
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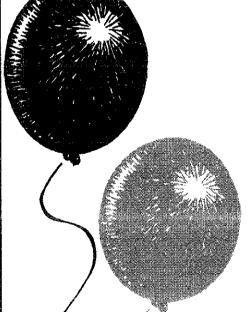
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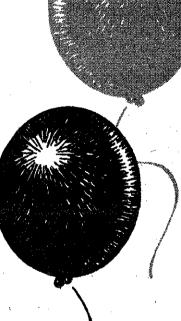
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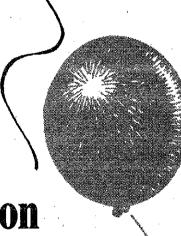
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# bowl-a-thon

he Detroit chapter of the American Association of Zookeepers (AAZK) will host its 17th annual Bowling for Rhinos bowl-a-thon this Saturday at Cloverlanes in Livonia.

Nationally, the event raises over \$200,000 annually for the conservation of endangered rhinos.

A family-friendly event begins at 3 p.m., which includes bowling, tin can raffle, cookie walk and coloring con-

The traditional bowl-a-thon



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gets underway at 7 p.m. with bowling, a silent auction and 50-50 raf-Bowlers amy

register individually or form a team of four to five. The registration fee is \$5,

which includes shoe rental, two Harrison games, pizza and soft drinks. One of the door prizes to be given away is a Brunswick

Rhino bowling ball donated by

pro bowler Lisa Bishop. Participants are asked to collect sponsor money of a minimum \$20 for adults and \$10 for children. Each year over 40 AAZK chapters throughout the U.S. facilitate similar events, raising over \$2 million annually since 1990.

The Detroit zookeepers have done their part, raising over \$90,000 One hundred percent of the proceeds directly benefit three rhino conservation projects in Africa and Asia. The Rhinoceros have existed

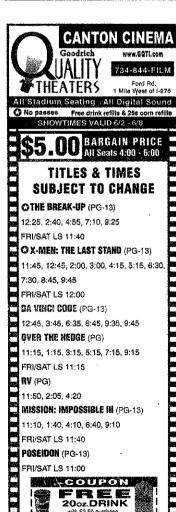
on earth for millions of years with over 100 species world-Today there are only five

species, all of which are endangered.

"Now that two white rhinos, Tamba and Jasiri, call the Detroit zoo home, we have more incentive than ever to save this majestic species," said Detroit Zoological Institute director Ron Kagan.

Space is limited. For more information, call e-mail aazk@detroitzoo.org.

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# AAZK to host Michigan Bucks edge Indiana Invaders

The Michigan Bucks minor league soccer team took the advice of their parent club's coaching staff last week when the MLS Columbus Crew paid a visit to Oakland County.

Crew assistant coach Robert Warzycha addressed the team before Thursday's match and offered the following words of wisdom.

"Continue to play within your system and understand your role on the team," he said. "You are all talented individuals, but until you learn to play for each other, you have accomplished nothing."

Truer words were never spoken, as the Bucks won Monday's holiday Premier Development League match at home against the Indiana Invaders, 2-1, to earn their record-setting sixth US Open Cup berth.

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The second seed enters Open Cup in the Qualifying Round on June 7 and the Bucks will enter the tournament in the first round on June 14.

Pairings, venues and game times will be announced by US Soccer.

The Indiana Invaders (2-2) knew they had to beat the Bucks (4-0) to have a chance for qualifying for their first U.S. Open Cup in franchise history.

That task was made more difficult when Bucks first year forward Del

from a Nate Jafta assist, his fifth of the

The Bucks controlled most of the first half in the 95-degree heat; and could have finished several other chances before halftime.

Understanding what was at stake, and taking the weather into consideration, Bucks first year coach Dan Fitzgerald made several strategic substitutions early.

They paid off in the second half when Mychal Turpin finished a beautiful top corner strike from a Doug Rice assist in the 46th minute.

The Bucks continued to press, but could not finish their third goal of the game, keeping the spirited Indiana team in the match.

Invaders coach Mario Manta substituted his troops to do everything possible to get the South Bend-based club into their first U.S. Open Cup, but could not penetrate the Bucks defense

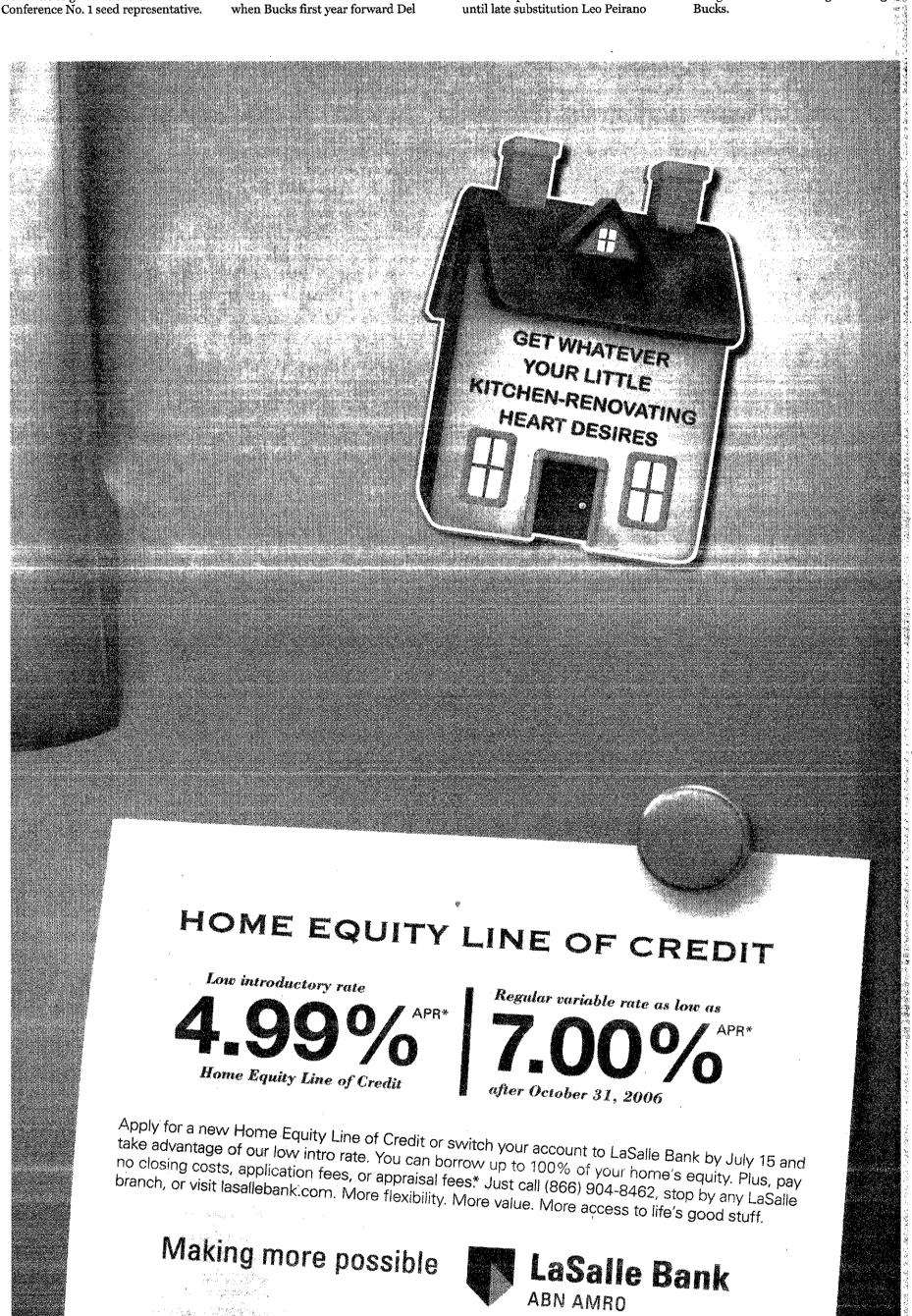
Bucks goalkeeper Dominic Cervi made a couple of important late saves to secure the Bucks perfect start to the season, and first appearance in the prestigious Cup since they were eliminated from the 2003 tournament after losing to the MLS Metro Stars in Berkley before a sellout crowd of close to 4,000.

This year's Bucks team will try and relive the fond memory, starting with winning their first match on June 14.

As the Bucks enjoyed the brief celebration Monday night, they know that their upcoming schedule is brutal.

The Bucks continue Premier Development League (PDL) play this Saturday when they travel to Chicago to face their division rivals in the first of two meetings this year.

The Chicago Fire Premier are currently 3-1, tied for second place with Kalamazoo in the Great Lakes Division. one game behind the league leading



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### **Successful Quest**

Members of the U10 Canton Quest Premier girls soccer team pose with their first-place trophies after winning the Hinsdale Hurricane Soccer Tournament May 6 and 7. Pictured (front row from left) are Jorden Schultz, Tracy Moore, Sydney Rouse, Lauren Babcock, Samantha Wallman, (back row from left) coach Rodrigo Gonzalez, Olivia Kaye, Emilie Hawks, Shelby Bay, Amber Cottrell, Ali Eggenberger, Courtney Simpson and parent coach Raquel



'Select' company

Members of the U10 Canton Quest Select girls soccer team earned championship trophies May 6 and 7 for winning their division in the Hinsdale Hurricane Soccer Tournament. Pictured (front row from left) are Emily Burkman, Morgan Siterlet, Abby LeMerise, Dana Rebar, Kelly Schmidt, Alycia Bellino, Marissa Ozog, (back row from left) Elizabeth Zoz, Gabrialla Epelman, Taylor Dilian, Amanda Shurzinske, Taylor McArdie and coach Rodrigo Gonzalez.

# MHSAA expands tourneys for bowling and cheering

Two of the fastest-growing sports on the Michigan high school scene - bowling and girls competitive cheer - will play to expanded tournament formats during the 2006-07 school year following action taken during the annual spring meeting of the Representative Council of the Michigan High School Athletic Association, May 7-9, in Lewiston.

The Spring meeting of the 19-member legislative body of the Association's nearly 1,700 member schools is generally the busiest of its three sessions each year. The Council considered 58 committee proposals and also dealt with a variety of eligibility rule, postseason tournament and operational

Following three successful years of a single-site venue for the Finals, the Council approved the Bowling Committee recommendation to have separate sites for each of the three divisions of competition.

The sites will be spread out across the state, with Sunnybrook Lanes in Sterling Heights, the site of the first three Finals, hosting one division of competition.

The Council also approved the Bowling Committee recommendation to expand the tournament format from four to six regions in each division; advancing the top three teams and top ten individuals from

each regional to the finals, which should result in an increased number of participants at the finals.

The Council also voted to expand the Girls Competitive Cheer post-season tournament from three classes to four divi-

The four divisions will each have more than 60 schools, and by adding a fourth category of competition, regional meet sizes will be reduced to a more manageable number.

A total of 40 teams will advance to the finals, an increase of 10 teams from the 2005-06 season. The finals meet will be conducted over two days at the DeltaPlex in Grand Rapids, which has hosted the event the last three

One division of competition will be scheduled for the evening of March 9, and three divisions will be on March 10 during the 2007 tournament. "The changes in Bowling and

Girls Competitive Cheer are a reflection of the increased interest in high school sports," said Jack Roberts, Executive Director of the MHSAA. "Schools continue to add extracurricular athletic opportunities for our students because they see the value they bring to the school and the community, and young people continue to turn out for these activities in record-setting numbers."

There were four other sports with classification issues before the Representative Council at the May meeting: a skiing committee proposal to reclassifv from two Classes (A and B-C-D) into two nearly equal divisions was approved; a swimming and diving ccommittee recommendation to reclassify in the Lower Peninsula from two classes to three nearly-equal divisions was tabled pending the gathering of additional information about the tournament format; and requests from the soccer committee and the girls volleyball committees to reclassify into four nearly-equal Divisions were denied, the Soccer request being turned down - in part - because the procedure of surveying schools about the change and a review of the classification committee had not yet taken place.

Previously-announced Council action addressed the escalating pressures on coaches and student-athletes in educational athletics, which included:

Reaffirmation of the Association's position against national competition in high school sports;

■ Establishing a seven-day summer "dead period;"

■ Establishing a pre-season "down period;"

■ Strengthening existing regulations covering sportscurriculum courses.

### SPORTS ROUNDUP

### **GIRLS HOOP CAMPS**

The Salem and Canton girls basketball teams will be sponsoring two upcoming summer

A camp for girls entering 7th, 8th and 9th grades in the fall of 2006 will be held June

Seventh-graders will attend the camp from 12:45-2:45 p.m. at Pioneer Middle School. The

time and site for the eighthand ninth-graders will be 1-3 p.m. at Canton High School. A camp for girls entering

4th, 5th and 6th grades will be held June 26-30. The camp for fourth-graders

will be held from 12:45-2:45 p.m. at Pioneer Middle School. The time and site for the fifth- and sixth-graders will be

1-3 p.m. at Canton High

The cost of both camps is

The coaching staffs for both camps will consist of Salem's Fred Thomann, Bill Mair and Julie Nicastri; and Canton's Brian Samulski, Scott Samulski and Jimmy Reddy. Players from both programs will serve as camp counselors.

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Robyn Whalen (Franklin) 36-6

Lauren Krupsky (Churchill) 36-1

Paige Evans (Ladywood) 33-7

Bridged Malloy (Ladywood) 33-6

Rebecca Refenes (Luth. Westland) 33-5

Olivia Rork (Luth, Westland) 32-6

Kailee Hobbins (Churchill) 32-4.25

Andrea Poindexter (Wayne) 31-8

DISCUS

Lauren Krupsky (Churchill) 119-10 Robyn Whalen (Franklin) 119-4

Kyndra Abron (Churchill) 118-11

Kailee Hobbins (Churchill) 111-5

Jenna Hudy (Franklin) 108-6

Kathy Hansen (Wayne) 98-10

Colette Fodera (Stevenson) 95-4

Rebecca Refenes (Luth. Westland) 95-2

Bridgid Malloy (Ladywood) 95-0

Shannon Getchen (Churchill) 94-11

HIGH JUMP

Alyssa Supplee (Franklin) 5-5 Brittany Petty (Plymouth) 5-4

Alex Serowkey (Ladywood) 5-2

Kathryn Berger (Ladywood) 5-1

Meghan Liwienski (Stevenson) 5-0

Kara Piorkowski (Stevenson) 5-0

Izabela Paszkowska (Canton) 4-11 Mya Hall (John Glenn) 4-11

Jackie Gribeck (Churchill) 4-10

Kristin Zgorecki (Churchill) 4-10

Mandy McManus (Plymouth) 4-10

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Stephanie Okolo (Plymouth) 17-6.75

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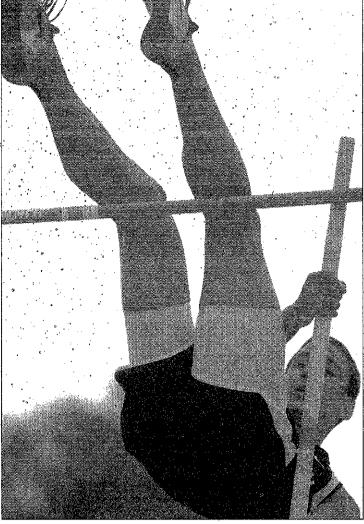
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Brittany Lockhart (Salem) 16-0.5

Jackie Gribeck (Churchill) 15-10



BILL BRESLER I STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Plymouth pole-vaulter Ben Ambrose, pictured above in action earlier this season, cleared 12 feet, 6 inches at Tuesday's Ann Arbor Meet of Champions at

# Local runners shine at meet of 'Champions'

STAFF WRITER

The level of competition at Tuesday's Ann Arbor Meet of Champions wasn't quite Division 1 State Meet caliber,

but it was close. Members of the Canton and Plymouth boys track teams competed in the annual event at Ypsilanti High School and fared well despite the hot, muggy conditions.

Weather-wise, it was one of the roughest meets I've seen, but I was proud of the kids' effort," said Canton coach Bob Richardson. "It was especially tough on the distance kids, but they all gave it everything they had."

This meet will help our three relay teams because they competed against the kind of competition they'll face at the state meet on Saturday," said Plymouth coach Kurt Britnell. "I thought everyone ran well against some stiff competition. There were some great athletes out there today."

The top performers for Canton were a pair of secondplace field-events specialists: shot-putter Ryan Jonik, who had a season-best effort of 50 feet, 8.5 inches; and polevaulter Ryan Langdon, who vaulted to a season-best 13-0. Also placing for the Chiefs were discus thrower Steve Paye (third at 145-2), high jumper Eric Thornton (fourth at 6-3), sprinter Andrew Manuel (third in 400 at 51.1), middle-distance runner Phaltiel Whitlock (fifth in the 800 at 2:02.7) and the 1,600-meter relay team of Whitlock, Eric Zech, Manuel and Andy Rossow, who finished fourth in 3:31.6.

The Chiefs' 400-meter relay team of Eric Piwowar, Ocie Lewis, Josh Butler and Rob Lindman didn't place, but they turned in a season-best effort of 44.2 seconds.

Nine Canton athletes will be competing in the Division 1 state meet Saturday at East Kentwood High School: Paye, Thornton, Langdon, Piwowar, Cyrus Azizi, Dalton Walser, Rossow, Whitlock and Manuel.

The Wildcats' top performers were long-jumper D.J. Coleman (second at 20-11.5), discus thrower Gerald Lou (fourth), pole vaulter Ben Ambrose (third at 12-6) and the 3,200-meter relay team of Kyle Wallath, Justin Huev. Anthony Scaparo and Sean Dillon, who finished second ewright@hometownlife.com | (734)-953-2108

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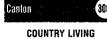
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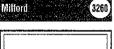
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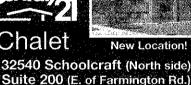
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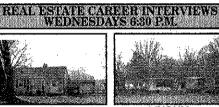
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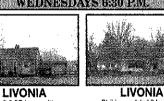
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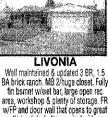
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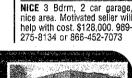
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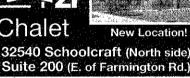
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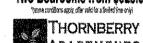
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Ekroth indicates that they're driven by all kinds of neurotic needs to tell all of the details and dominate the conversation. There's a self-reinforcing quality, because they don't get positive responses from listeners, who avoid and shun them. It s like the bad breath syndrome. Dianna Booher, CEO of Booher Consultants, a communication training firm in Grapevine, Tex., takes a less scholarly view, but spots symptoms supporting Ekroth s conclusions. She refers nervousness, discomfort with silence, self-centeredness. In fact, she observes that most just forget there's another person in the conversation. Richard Gallagher, author of Great Customer Connections (AMACOM, \$21.95), maintains such people crave attention, are uncomfortable

with dead air in a conversation and don t know when a conversation has reached an end. Booher also points out that today s fast-paced lifestyle keeps people moving on to the next event in their lives.

### WHAT TO DO

How do you curb a compulsive talker? In a second or successive conversation, tell the person how much time you have, Ekroth advises. Consider, too, what you re probably doing to encourage the blather. He cautions that people with CAD will run all over you if you don t stop nodding, being kind of passive, being a good, active listener.

Booher suggests that you paraphrase what you hear. Regain the floor by asking a short-answer question about something they just said, such as Did you say you needed the chair in blue or black? Gallagher adds that the talker will feel you re paying very close attention.

If, however, you don t stop in time and the person begins to ramble, Gallagher says to move to the call to action by asking:

- What's your next step?

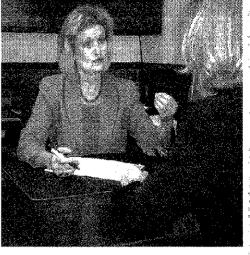
- What are you planning to do? - What do you want me to do?

Does the person hesitate? Use openended questions to find the reason, Booher suggests.

Ekroth directs you to say, I don t need all of the details right now to get this handled for you; I just need the headlines. and I think I have enough for us to do this right now. Another alternative is to wrap things up by saying, Okay, great. I ve got it. Here s what I suggest.

However, Gallagher states that if the problem can t be solved, tell the person. If, however, the talker still can t see that the conversation is almost over, use the acknowledging close, which helps force a natural end for someone who doesn t know when it s there, he says.

Drawing upon his call-center consulting practice, Gallagher



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indicates that you ll be successful almost 100 percent of the time. He recommends using the past tense to signal that end, as in It was nice discussing this issue. This tactic will work outside of the sales context, too.

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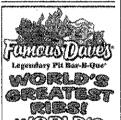
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Southwest corner of Haggert and 3, 9-4pm.

CANTON- Thurs. & Fri 8-6pm, Sat 8-12. 6419 Trafalgar Dr., W/Beck, S/Warren, N/ Han-ford; Royal Pointe, enter from Hanford. Books, CD, videos, crafts supplies, furniture sports equip, toys & clothes.

**CANTON-ROYAL** POINTE SUB . Garage sale. Fri., 6/2 & Sat. 6/3 (8-4pm). SW corner of Beck & Warren.

**CANTON-Willow Homes** 

Nottingham Forest Subdivision Sale

CLARKSTON Oak Valley Estates Sub Wide Sale at Old Pond & Dixle June 1-2-3. Thurs

CANTON - Multiple Homes, Antique Forest Sub., June 1,2,3, 9am-4pm. Baby stuff, furniture & lots morel W. of Beck, between Ford & Saltz

CANTON

CANTON Large yard sale. 7483 Briargate Ct. Corner of

Fri. & Sat., 8:00-4:00. Clothes, toys, houseware, baby items, bike & misc.

CANTON Shopaholic -Packrat's Treasures - June 2-

24 Homes. 2 subs together Buckingham Place & Pheasan Ridge, Warren, W. of Beck

**CANTON WETHERSFIELD** SUBWIDE GARAGE SALE & Palmer, Fri. & Sat., June 2

Warren, W. of Lilley,

ques, furniture, rugs, wicker, majolica, smalls. June 2, 8am-5pm; June 3, 9am-4pm

Central Park Estate Phase II Huge Sub Sale, June 1-2-3, 9-

**CANTON** Chatterton Village AND Chatterton Square Sub Wide Garage Sales - June 2-3,

Fri, June 2 & Sat, June 3, 9-4 Furniture, TV's, tools, misc.

Subwide Sale. Cherry Hill & Beck Rds. June 2 & 3, 8am-4pm.

Glengarry Village
Subdivision Garage Sale.
June 1-2-3-, opens at 9am,
lots of great items. N. of
Palmer, E. of Canton Center,

Chatterton Square on Geddes W of Beck. June 2 & 3, 9am-2pm, 4280 Brighton Lane.

June 1-2-3-4, 9am-5pm. N. of Ford, E. of Morton Taylor, S of

# Garage Sales

Maybee 1/2 way btwn. Baidwin

& Clintonville, Turn onto Ava. June 1,2 & 3. Kids toys, swing

set, cribs, furniture & antiques

COMMERCE TWP- Huge!

Antiques, furniture, house-hold, designer clothes, tons of

items! June 1-3rd, 8:30am. 5236 Oak Hill Tr., off Com-merce btwn Duck Lk & Carey

DEARBORN HEIGHTS

June 2,3,4 9-4 TONS of BABY ITEMS

Girls preemie to 2T. Crib

stroller system, cradic

toys & more Tupperwar

25% off retail prices too

8546 SALEM LANE,

S/Joy, E/Beech. 313-565-2205

**CLARKSTON** ESTATE MOVING SALE - 6038 Main St Downtown Clarkston, Anti-

CLARKSTON- Huge sale! Computer equip., furniture, children clothing, books & more! June 1-4, 9-6pm. 6185 Lake Waldon Dr., Sashabaw & Waldon Rd, follow signs! CLARKSTON/ORION Sub sale

DEARBORN HEIGHT 31st ANNUAL SILVERY LANE BLOCK SALE - Saturday, June 3rd, 9am - 4pm, rain or shine! Dozens of families - N. off Warren Rd, btwn. Beech Daly & Telegraph Rd.

DETROIT Big Block Garage/ Yard Sale - Saturday, June 3, rain day June 10. Building supplies, tools, haby clothes/ items, collections, vintage dolls, vintage furniture, com etc! Grandview, south of 8 Mile, west of Telegraph. Look for the signs.

FARMINGTON 32009 Vailey View - Fri. & Sat., 9am-5pm Furniture, housewares, deco rative accessories, etc.

**FARMINGTON** CHARITY GARAGE SALE EXTRAVAGANZA!! Sat-Sun, June 3-4, 10am-4pm, at 23023 Orchard Lake Rd (& Shiawassee Rd) Bldc

be furniture, toys, house-FARMINGTON HILLS June 1-2-3, 9-5pm, 29378 Lake Park Drive. Off 13 mile, btwn. Farmington & Drake Rds.

Furniture, toys& more. LOW LOW PRICES! **FARMINGTON HILLS** Fri-Sat, June 2-3, 8-6pm. Brand name girls clothes (size 7-10) adult clothes, toys, Barbies, books, curtains, household items. 28763 Greening, 12 Mile & Orchard

FARMINGTON HILLS 31205 Lamar St., E. of Orchard Lk., btwn. Grand River & 10 mile June 1-2-3, 9-4pm. Misc. tools & household items.

**FARMINGTON HILLS** Huge! Household, home decor, sports cards, furniture, 3. 26261 Holly Hill Dr., N. off 11., W. of Orchard Lk.

FARMINGTON HILLS Inde pendence Commons (Grand River/ 11 Mile, off Drake). 25353 Crown Pt. Ct. June 1-3, 9-4p. Toys, clothes, household FARMINGTON HILLS Retired Teacher's Sale. Books and more. June 1-2, 3pm to 7pm. June 3, 9am to 5pm. 28918 Lake Park Drive, south of 13

Farmington Rd **FARMINGTON HILLS** Garage Sale. Fri.-Sun., June 2-4, 9-6pm. Tools & lots misc 37711 Carson, 11

between Drake and

# Garage Sales

FARMINGTON HILLS Garage Sale - Saturday June 3rd 9am-4pm. Clothes, Antiques, Bikes, Videos, furniture etc 28096 Thornybrae Road (12

**FARMINGTON HILLS** Quaker Valley Sub Sale Fri.-Sat., June 2-3, 9am-4pm N. of 11 Mile & W. off Farmington.

3rd. 33087 Finneren Ct., N of 10 Mile, E. of Farmington Rd. Furniture, tools, lawn tractor & more! All must go! FARMINGTON HILLS KENDALWOOD SUB SALE

hold & misc. Not a sale to miss! 8-5 on 6/2 & 6/3. Vester St., N of 9, E of Hilton

Rd. & Middlebelt area. LAKE ORION - Long Lake Woods Subdivision Annual Garage Sale. June 1,2,3, 9am. E. of M-24, off Indian Lake Road. Huge variety of items. Sub Garage Sale! Corner Josiyn & Heights. Sat. June

LIVONIA Huge Sale! Mens/

LIVONIA - Moving/Garage Sale, June 1-2, 9am-5pm

Chicago, W. of Merriman. LIVONIA - Garage Sale. June 1-2, 8am-4pm. Household

S. of 5 Mile, E. of Levan. LIVONIA - Sat. June 3, 9-5pm. Household items. Some furniture, 33935 Orangelawn

LIVONIA 2 family sale! Furniture, tools, treadmill, lawn mowers. June 1-3rd, 9-5pm. 28507 Gita, 5

Mile/ Middlebelt. LIVONIA Multi-family sale household, clothing, misc 37121 Turnbury Thurs., Fri. everyone.

LIVONIA 3 Family, collectibles decorative accessories, calico clothes, toys, women's cloth ing. Jun. 1-, 2 & 3., 9 am -4 pm. 9814 Woodring (off W. Chicago & Farmington).

> LIVONIA SALE **ANNUAL** SUB SALE!

**Brookwood** Estates **OVER 100 HOMES** 6 Mile & Merriman Saturday & Sunday June 3rd & 4th, 9-5pm Refreshments available.

LIVONIA - June 1-3, 9-5pm, 2

houses, 4 family, 9251 and 9296 Stonehouse, N. of Joy

W. of Newburgh. Designer purses, TV, exercise, furniture,

home decor, toys, etc. All clean and good stuff! LIVONIA - Variety of items Sat. June 3, 9-4pm. 30260 Westfield, 3 biks. S. of West Chicago, btwn Merriman & Middlebelt.

# Garage Sales

Mile and Farmington Roads)

FARMINGTON HILLS- June

June 1-3, 8-6. N of 12 Mile btwn Farmington & Orchard Lake, Check info at entrances. FERNDALE- FISHERMAN'S DELIGHT: Lg variety fishing gear new/used, hunting.bouse

GARDEN CITY- Seasonal items, furniture, TVs, bikes, & many more things! Fri-Sat., 9-7pm. 28975 Beechwood, Ford

LAKE ORION Marina Pointe 3rd, 10-5pm . LOOK FOR THE BALLOONS!1

Farmington. Lots of tools, misc ladies/ childrens Items, antiques, lots of good stuff!
May 26 & 27, 9-4; June 2 & 3, 9-4, 14927 Sunbury. LIVONIA - HUGE MULTI-FAMI-LY SALE -Clothes, tools, crafts. toys, household items, Fri-Sat Loveland, E./Farmington, S./7

Household, tools, gardening, etc. 9327 Meirose, S. of West

goods, collectibles, tools, etc. 36082 Meadowbrook, 2 blks

W. of Farmington Road & S. of Plymouth Road.

Appliances, Furniture, Bikes Antiques, Household goods. 9-5. Something for LIVONIA SUB WIDE SALE! Coventry Gardens. 5 Mile & Farmington Rd. Thurs. June 1 - Sat. June 3. LIVONIA- Thursday, June 1st and Friday June 2nd 9am-4pm, 31337 Roycroft (corner house on Roveroft and

> Livonia- Friday-Saturday June 1-3 9am-5pm. 9130 Bassett Ct. East crossroads Ann Arbor Rd & 275 Furniture, home decor and tons of great stuff!!

NORTHVILLE ESTATE SALE June 1~3, 9-4pm, 19880 Pierson Dr. On 7 Mile btwn Haggerty & Northville Rd.

2. 3. 9 to 5pm. NOVI - 4 SUB SALE Addington, Westmont, Wind-ridge, Wintergreen. June 1-3, Th/Fri 9-5, Sat 8-5. S.of 10

### 7110 Garage Sales

Sherwood Forest Multiple Homes - N of 6, E of Wayne, 6/1-6/3, 9am-5pm LIVONIA Multi-Family sale.

Fri. & Sat., 9am-4pm, 34118 Bretton, 5 long blocks N of 7, E off Gill. Size 6-7 girls clothing, toys, books, misc. house-NOVE: HUGE MULTI-FAMILY SALE Furniture, clothing toys, much more! Thurs. Sat., June 1-3, 9am-4pm, 25891 Cheyenne Dr. hold, country items. ANTIQUES, mini bisque dolls, ornate picture frames, wicker planter, glassware.

LIVONIA GARAGE SALE. 18645 Williams Ct. Friday., 6/2, 9am-4pm, SAT., 6/3 9am-4pm. Furniture, Clothes, etc. Sale. June 1-3, 9-4pm. Antiques, Melmac, books & furniture 878 Darien Circle, off LIVONIA ANNUAL BLOCK SALE - Fri/Sat., June 2-3, 8am-4pm. Leon St. (S. of Plymouth, btwn Wayne & Levan) Computer desk Orion & Brantford. PLYMOUTH - Yard Sale. Plus size women's clothing, baby

Ann Arbor Trail.

hold goods, adult/tee ciothes, books, toys. 10029 PLYMOUTH huge 3 family saie, including day bed, stove, microwave, air hockey table, baby stuff. Fri-thru Sun 9-3.

39802 Birchwood, (Ann Arbor PLYMOUTH - Garage Sale. June 2-3, 9-4, 42424 Bradner Court, corner of Schoolcraft & Bradner. Antiques, household goods, children's toys, books,

pop-up camper, bikes.

5:00pm. King/Day bed frames, baby stuff, furniture, more, 488 Roe St. (Downtown Plymouth near Library) GARAGE SALE (30 units)

(white buildings) on NorthTerritorial (northside) 1 blk. W. of Sheldon. PLYMOUTH

Cassady Place Condominiums

2nd & 3rd, 9-5pm. LIVONIA SALE Thurs./Sat. PLYMOUTH June 1-3, 9am to 5pm -29614 Buckingham, N of Schoolcraft, W of Middlebelt. SUB-WIDE GARAGE SALE Most Everything to Sell! Child's Bedroom Set, Toys,

ertor, twin beds, golf clubs. REDFORD - Mega Yard Sale! Merriman- North of 5 Mile. Kids items, household items, Kinlock, S. of 6 Mile. furniture and misc. Lots of

REDFORD TWP- 2nd annual Jefferson Neighborhood Garage Sale. Fri. June 2 -Sun. June 4. Multiple loca-tions btwn W. Chicago & Joy, Beech Daly & Inkster. Furniture, TV's, appliances etc. NORTHVILLE TWP. Woodlands South Condo Sub. SE Corner - 6 Mile & Sheldon - Aspen Ridge Dr., June 1

NOVI. WILLOWBROOK ALL SUB SALE. Thurs., 6/8-Sat. 6/10, 9am-5pm. N. & S. of Ten Mile, btwn. Haggerty 8 Meadowbrook, Rain or shine

OAKLAND TWP - 3 Family

stuff & misc. Sat.-Sun., 9am-5pm. 655 Ross, N. of Ann Arbor Road, E. of Main. PLYMOUTH Multi-Family GARAGE SALE, 9am-5pm, Thurs/Fri/Sat. 12488 Light-house Ct, W of Sheldon, N of

PLYMOUTH Garage Sale -Fri.-Sat., 9am-4pm, House

tons, china, and much more. ROCHESTER HILLS

PLYMOUTH June 3-4, 9:30-ROCHESTER HILLS HAMP-

Sat. June 10, starting at 1 pm. BLOCK SALE! stuff. 2 biks E of Haggerty, N of Ann Arbor Trail on Morgan. June

Colony Farms Condo Association, W. of Beck, S. of Ann Arbor Road, off Colony Farm Drive. June 8-10. 8-4pm. PLYMOUTH TWP - 9 Houses Ridgewood West Sub., Fri, 9 4pm. S. off Ann Arbor Road.

June 2-4, 9-5pm. Furniture, TV, collectibles, lots of good stuffl 16678 Lola Drive, W. of REDFORD BIG SALE! Lots of great stuff! June 1st-3rd, 9am-5pm. 25397 Ivanhoe, off

Beech Daly, be Schoolcraft and 5 Mile. REDFORD June 2,3,4, 18671 Norborne, 10am-6pm. Items from 3 family sale. Everything for baby thru adult. All good

June 1-4, 9-5pm. Toys, furni-ture, baby clothes, misc. 26287 Margareta, btwn 6 & 7 Mile, off Delaware

ROCHESTER

Creekside Village, HUGE SUB SALE! June 1-3, 9-4pm. NW. & SW. corner of Runyon (25

Creek Annual Sub Sale, June 2 & 3, 9-4pm. Off Rochester Rd, 1/2 mile N. of Tienken. Great variety of items!!! ROCHESTER HILLS Thurs June 1, 9-4pm, 1433 Chest-nut Lane, Livernois, btwn, Tienken & Walton, Rolled top

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ROCHESTER - Bluffs Sub.

Garage Sale - June 1,2,3,'9-4pm. 1/2 mile N. of Avon

Road & John R. turn left onto

ROCHESTER ESTATE SALE

409 First St., W. of Rochester Rd., & S. of University. June 1-

3 10-4pm Antiques furni-

ture, Asian Art, books & tools.

ROCHESTER HILLS Cross

desk, 4 Antiques Caned Chairs, women's/men's (xt-

ROCHESTER HILLS Mega Sale! Furniture, household

xxl)clothes & Household.

Bloomer, sub on north side.

items, appliances, clothing, etc. 151 Grosse Pines Dr., E. of Old Perch off Walton Bivd. 3, 9-4pm. ROCHESTER Cumberland Hills Subw Garage sale. Thursday Friday & Saturday: June 1, 2 & 3. Largest sub in Rochester Hills, located

west of Rochester Road **ROCHESTER HILLS** Garage/ Estate sale, 380 Orchardale, of Walton, June 1-4, 9-5pm. Old dolls, dollhouse, linens, but-

Willowood Sub Sale! Fri.-Sat 9am-4pm, Enter Sugar Pine off Walton, W. of Livernois. ROCHESTER HILLS 30 vrs accumulation, 1111 Grace (N. of South Blvd. W of Live-rnois) 10-6, June 2 & 3. Carnival glass collectibles. More.

TON SUB, between Auburn & Hamlin, west side of John R Fri-Sat., June 2-3, 8am - 6pm ROCHESTER HILLS June 3, 8am-3pm, 2603 Stonebury. (John R & Auburn Rds). Moving, lots a great

Thurs., Fri., Sat., June 1,2,3 9am-4pm. E of Rochester Rd. S of Auburn Rd. ROCHESTER HILLS 2 FAMILY GARAGE SALE Fri.-Sat., June 2-3, 9-3pm 3435 Wedgewood, N.W. cor-

ner of Adams & Tienken.

ROCHESTER HILLS

Georgetown Sub-Wide

ROCHESTER HILLS WILDFLOWER SUB SALE

Garage Sale June 1-3, 9am-4pm N. of Tienken, E. of Brewster **ROCHESTER HILLS- 854** Grovecrest (E. of Rochester Rd off of Avon) Sat. 8-4, Sun. 8-3

N. of University, E. of Livernois, June 1-3, 9-5pm. Wide Variety. Royal Oak - Sat., June 3 9am-5pm. Woodwardside Sub. S. 13, E. Woodward, N.

Webster, Rain or Shine!

ROCHESTER SUB SALE - GREAT OAKS

ROYAL OAK Beverly Hills Annunal Sub. Division Garage Sale. Sat. June 3. 9 4 Over 150 homes. Huge nieghborhood sale, 13 1/2 Mile area. W. Woodward/ E. l Greenfield.

Liquidation Sale & Garage Sale - 2 sales in 1. Tons of NEW , 2 sales in . 10hs of new Baby/Maternity being liquidat-ed at very low prices. Plus, a huge garage sale. Sale runs Friday June 2nd (9am-6pm) -Saturday June 3rd (9am-?) 1619 W 12 Mile Rd. Royal Oak

ROYAL OAK Baby/Maternit

# Garage Sales

FABULOUS STUFF! Pottery Barn items, clothes, furniture, appliances, much more! Thurs., Fri., 9-3, N of 12 Mile. E off Woodward, Elmhurst St.

OAK Furniture.

antiques, mission rocker, iron antiques, mission rocker, iron bed, household items, tools, pedal car, baby gear, etc. 3001 Guilford, 13 Mile and Woodward, Saturday (9-5pm) & Sunday (1-5pm), June 3-4, 248-549-3035 ROYAL OAK Sales from 2 Estates: Antiques; garden art; vintage linens, fabrics, customer jewelry; comics; craft

items; cameras; small appli-

items; cameras; sinai appirances; holiday decorations; morel Fri., 6/2, 9am-3pm; Sat., 6/3, 8am-4pm. 4203 Arlington Dr., corner of Grandview, 2 blks W of Woodward, btwn. rmandy & 34 Mil Royal Oak GINORMOUS 5 Family Garage Sale. Lots of Cool Stuff Thursday, June 1 thru Sunday, 4th. 8:30 to 4:00. 206 W. Harrison

Btwn Main & Washington 2

ROYAL OAK- Multi home block sale! Includes E. Webster, Elizabeth and Detroit St.s. June 2 & 3, 8-5pm. Located at 12 1/2 Mile & Rochester.

SOUTHFIELD - Moving Sale.

Sat. June 3, 9-5pm. Furniture accessories, new bridal gown

blks S. of Lincoln

misc. 17397 Roxbury, S. of 9 Mile, E. of Southfield Road. SOUTHFIELD - HEATHER WOOD COMMUNITY-WIDE GARAGE SALE 22800 Civing Center Dr., Thurs. & F 11am-4pm. LUNCH FOR \$1 TROY CLEAN SWEEP garage

Sale, something for everyone! 2592 Tarragona Way, off Beach Rd, btwn Wattles & Long Lake, Fri. & Sat., June 2 & 3, 8:30am. TROY ANTIQUES - ALL KINDS, Also showcases and tools. Fr & Sat., 9am, 4820 Livernois.

Subdivision Garage Sale
N. of Square Lake, W. off
Deguindre. Briarwood/Manor-TROY - BIG SUB SALE June 2 & 3, 9a-5p. W of Roch-ester, enter Barclay, N of Wattles, enter Bristol, Cypress. Furniture, Little Tikes, kids clothes/ toys,

TROY - GOLF TRAIL ANNUAL SUBDIVISION GARAGE SALE Sat, June 3, 9am-4pm. Btwn Long Lake & Square Lake off Rochester Road. TROY SUBDIVISION! Fri/Sat. 9am-4pm, 17+ Families. Buckingham Woods, south of

l antiques, appliances, etc.

Big Beaver, west of Coolidge enter on Glouchester of Golfview from Coolidge. TROY-EMERALD LAKES SUB WIDE SALE Fri. & Sat., June 2 & 3, 9-4pm. E. of Rochester Rd., N.

off Square Lk.

TROY-MOVING June 1-2-3, 9-3. 2774 Palmerston, off Adams, btwn 16 & 17 Mi. Clothes, tools, furniture, Clothes, tools, furniture books, artifacts, silver & misc TROY: INTERNATIONAL RELOCATION Furniture, appliances, various items. 2785 Amberly Lane 48084, SE corner of Adams & Big Beaver. Sat., June 3, 9am-2

WEST BLOOMFIELD Huge Sale June 1st, 2nd and 3rd, 9am to 4pm. 5980 Upper Straits Blvd., off Green Lake Rd. and Commerce Rd Spinning Wheel, Furniture, Bunk Bed, Swingset, Toys, Baby Items, Household Goods.

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HUGE GARAGE SALE
Antiques, home goods, furgion
ture, baby's clothes, toys a
accessories, designer clothes, JA
shoes & handbags, 95 'Classical
Range Rover LWB. Sat. SALE
Sun. 9-6. 6420 Commerce Rd.

WEST BLOOMFIELD

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Covington Sub Sale 28AK
June 1,2,3, 9-4pm. located??
between Long Lake & Lone
Pine, E., of Orchard Lk. Rd., 348 WESTLAND 3 family yard sale, 2 weekends, May 27-28-29, June 3 &4, 8-7pm. 35110 Wayne Rd. & Palmer

WESTLAND Huge Sub Wide Garage Sale. Brookfieldate Village, Cherry Hill & Hix Rubod This Friday & Saturday onlying 9-5pm. WESTLAND Block garage

Tools, collectibles, furniture.

Sale June 1-3, 9-5pm. Milton at St., off Cherry Hill, btwa... Newburgh and John Hix, folg. low signs. Tools, furniture):8 clothes, large assortment. WESTLAND HUGE GARAGE SALE!! Furniture, American Drew cherry dining set appliances. household items, clothes, toys, some items new! 1739 N. Waiton,

off Ford, between New-burgh & Wayne. June 2-4, WESTLAND - YARD SALEASS 1145 Alvin St. (near Avondale & Venoy). Couch & loveseat; washer & dryer, baby fucul-

ture, etc. June 1-4, 9-4pm?

WHITE LAKE DOLL SALE

6235 Whispering Meadow Dr. Fri., 6/2 9am-3pm, 100+ Boxed Barbies CHEAP! Other doll items, misc. No early sales! 7130

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wares, kids electronics &

Moving Sales .

toys, snow tires (Micheling 225-5516 Arctic Altin), furniture galore! LOTS OF MISC! 1712 Henrietta, June 1 & 2, 9am-3pm FARMINGTON HILLS 2922

Fieldstone, E. of Middlebeltan off 12 Mile Rd. June 3, Sink

4pm. Furniture, toys, exercise equip. & household items.

FARMINGTON HILLS TER Meadowbrook Sub. 387 Newburgh), Refrigerator, sto<sub>fus</sub> ve, furniture, morel Moving 11x8 must self! Fri., Sat & Sun., 9-3 3pm. 21151 Centerfarm. GARDEN CITY- Baby furniture

Noritake China & much more! June 2-4, Fri 12-5, Sat & Sun

8-5pm. -30826 Dawson, N of Ford, E of Merriman.

NOVI- Gas dryer/stove, a/o...

blike, gas BBQ grill & tons of the blike, gas bl ORION TWP Fri. & Sat., 9-3pm, 1080 Meadow Crest Doay off Clarkston & Baldwin John furniture, sports, lawn & gar-

den equip.. All Must Go!!

REDFORD 14239 Breakfagtij Drive. Huge moving sale. May 26 thru June 5, 10-5pm. daily. Kitchen gadgets, collectibles 97 appliances, tools, etc. TROY - Prior Birmingham apt. High-end furniture. TV, DVD king bed, giant mountain bikerid HP computer, Calphalon cook

ware. Sat.-Sun, June 3-4, 9-5pm. 2399 Dorchester Rd 12 Apt #210, S. of mall, E. of 16 Coolidge. 248-320-6898 C





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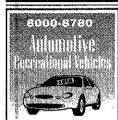
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# Finding Auto Info on The Web

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BY DALE BUSS

Lexus has made its web site the most useful for newvehicle shopping among all auto manufacturers, with Pontiac and Suzuki finishing in second place, according to a semi-annual survey by J.D. Power and Associates.

The other top performers in order were Hummer, BMW, Kia, Saab, Mazda, Subaru and Mercury. The worst rankings were achieved by Volkswagen, then Audi; third-worst was Mercedes-Benz, then Chrysler. Saturn, Infiniti, Volvo, Nissan, Mini and Jeep rounded out the bottom ten makes, in reverse order, in J.D. Power's research.

At a time when 57% of new-vehicle buyers visit at least one manufacturer web site before buying a new vehicle - and most visit several manufacturer sites how an auto maker performs online is more important than ever. In marketing terms these days, you could almost say it's crucial.

"Our improving performance is part of a dedicated philosophy and focus that's simple: When the majority of auto shopping is happening on the web, you'd better make sure that your web site is built to facilitate that the best way you can," said Mark-Hans Richer, marketing director for Pontiac.

Lexus, the Toyota luxury brand, "scores at the top by upsetting the fewest shoppers," says Dennis Galbraith, senior director of digital marketing for Westlake Village, Calif.-based J.D. Power. Only 6% of Lexus.com visitors in this survey rated it poorly, the strongest result ever noted for lack of disappointment in any site.

On the other hand, the lowest finishers in the survey were troubled by slow speeds, Galbraith said.

Lexus provides information at quick speeds for users whether they're on a broadband or a dial-up connection, Galbraith noted. "Fundamental for us since the beginning has been to try to make the site as robust as possible but not limit the average consumer's ability to get information quickly," says Robin Pisz, national interactive and relationship-marketing manager for Lexus. "We'll be serving up lot smore multi-media on the site in the future, such as videos. And with our audience being predominantly broadband, we can provide them with more of that type of experience."

The brand also strives for "simple, straightforward



The 2006 Pontiac Solstice.

web design" that is friendly to its market of mostly boomer and older consumers," Inouye said. That includes larger vehicle images, better fonts and other improvements to optimize the fact that the resolution of computer screens is improving. "Older consumers want to see details," she said.

Galbraith also complimented Lexus's decision to provide ample definition of technical terms. "It's like reading something complex with an imbedded dictionary to help you," he said.

Pontiac.com's strength is "easy navigation," Galbraith said, including a "flyout" design that allows visitors to delve into model details directly from the home page. "We think through the site the way a shopper would," said Richer.

For example, the site recently moved to the home page its link to information about trade-in appraisals. "In the past we buried it somewhere in the site because it didn't seem as sexy as other things," he said. "But we've found that it's very important to consumers to know what their current car is worth, and it facilitates the online-shopping process."

Richer conceded that, "not long ago, marketers were trying to add more steak than sizzle online. We still believe in sizzle," he said. (And the fact that Pontiac.com can feature a model as intriguing as the new Solstice roadster on its site helps a lot in the sizzle department.) "But first and foremost, web-site activity

is about shopping. You have to take care of that before anything else."

Pontiac's greater focus on the web is underscored these days by its partnership with Google. In a promotion that's been going on about a month now, Pontiac refers to Google in its TV ads, making it the first major marketer to refer to the king of search engines in its mainstream advertising, Richer said. And in local advertising, dealer groups urge viewers to "Google

"It's already driving a certain level of behavior and comparisons that work in our favor," Richer said. "Leads are up 50% and search queries are up 100% because of it.

Saturn's showing in the study underscored the fact that ease of web use and a brand's larger marketing purposes don't always completely coincide. Saturn ranked fifth from the bottom, Galbraith said, in part because the Skye model that it featured on the home page during early November, when the survey was conducted, ran small. Saturn instead focused on a large image of a Christmas package from Target Stores.

But the brand's promotion with Target – to provide 🦠 a \$500 gift card for the store as a bonus with a vehicle purchase - "was a very effective promotion," said a Saturn spokesman. "We had a year over year sales increase." Moreover, he said, Saturn went back to a larger vehicle picture after the holidays.

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> The June/July issue of Mother Earth News features the top 10 green picnic picks

Outdoor parties, picnics and hikes can be Earthunfriendly. You can end up with bags full of "disposable" products like paper plates, plastic cups and

Now, you can buy fully biodegradable alternative products to replace those items. And that's not all you can do to step lightly on the Earth as you celebrate the

Below are the Mother Earth News top 10 Earthfriendly ideas to help you enjoy both nature and convenience as you keep your

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# Earth-friendly options for outdoor fun



Instead of paper plates, plastic cups, utensils and other items that can be Earth-unfriendly, fully biodegradable alternative products are available for your outdoor parties, picnics and

different cotton varieties.

\$42.95 for a 50-inch-square tablecloth (matching napkins and place mats also available). Abundant Earth, (888) 523-2784, http://www.abundantearth.com

Biodegradable plates are just as sturdy as their paper counterparts, but they're made from cane fibers, a natural byproduct of sugar refining. When the picnic's over, just gather them up and toss

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\$21 for 125. Treecycle, (406) 626-0200. http://www.treecycle.com

Tableware utensils made from a plastic that's based on potato starch will decompose in a compost pile. What's more, they're 100 percent tree- and petroleum-free.

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electrical outlet, with the human-powered Vortex

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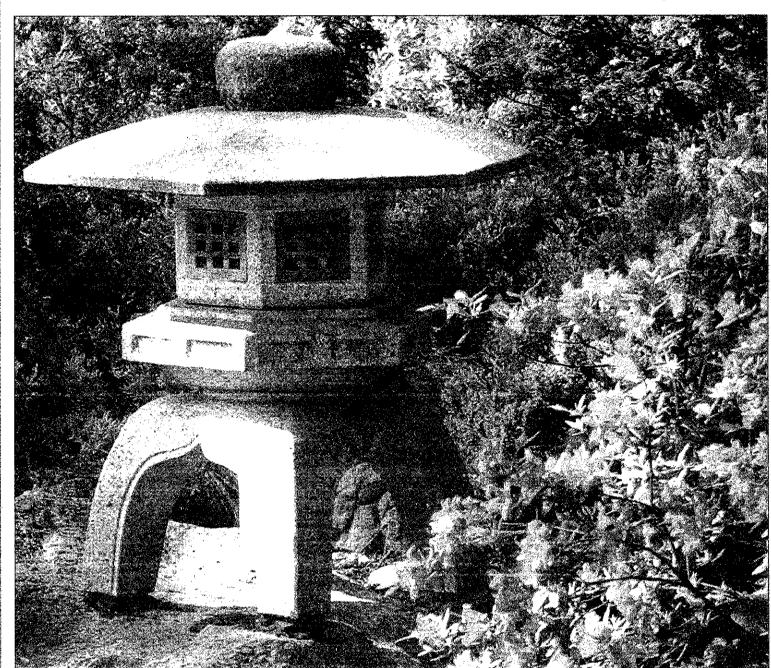
ment that removes bacteria and parasites from five quarts of water in 10 minutes, without pumping or chemicals. \$59. L.L. Bean, (800) 441-5713, http://www.llbean.com Candles are beautiful, but they burn down, flicker

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When it's time to clean up, reach for unbleached, 100 percent recycled napkins and paper towels.

\$6 for 500 napkins, \$11 for six 120-sheet rolls. Treecycle, (406) 626-0200, http://www.treecycle.com. It is a cultured, colorful and calming collaboration - between two gifted artists, architect Norman Ziegelman and landscape architect Masao Kinoshita



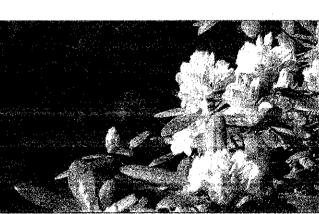
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A stone lantern from Japan stands in the garden, which features Japanese esthelics and principles.

# Japanese garden is cultured collaboration



Architect Norman Ziegelman pauses by the waterfall in the garden he designed with landscape architect Masao Kinoshita. The Ziegelmans' Bloomfield Hills property is one of several outstanding area gardens that will be featured in the Open Days Program this month.



Work on the landscaping and house was done at the same time.

STAFF WRITER

he serene and spiritual Japanese garden at the Ziegelman residence in Bloomfield Hills is a harmonious whole in various ways.

It is a cultured, colorful and calming collaboration - between two gifted artists, architect Norman Ziegelman and landscape architect Masao Kinoshita.

And it unifies the modern house with the grounds, true to the classic period of modern architecture.

"Everything," Ziegelman replied, when asked what area of the garden

he liked best, "I enjoy it." This garden is one of several private gardens in Beverly Hills, Bloomfield Hills, Troy and Pleasant Ridge featured in the Garden Conservancy's Open Days Program this month.

Open Days is a national program that invites the public to visit exceptional private gardens.

Its goal is to increase public appreciation and enjoyment of the country's gardens, and to build an audience to support garden preservation in America.

# COMPLEMENT

The Ziegelmans have lived in the house - which Norman Ziegelman designed and built - for 28 years.

Work on the landscaping and house were done at the same time.

Nature and the structure complement each other. Large windows in the home provide clear views of the surrounding grounds. And the angles and lines of the house fit comfortably in the landscape.

Both Ziegelman and Kinoshita worked for Eliel Saarinen.

Ziegelman went to Japan to study gardens and shrines. Kinoshita studied landscape architecture, Zen, flower arranging - and later, calligraphy. A calligraphy work by him hangs in the foyer of the home.

Japanese esthetics and design principles are found throughout the garden, which is on 1-1/3 acres. A tricolor beech tree stands in the

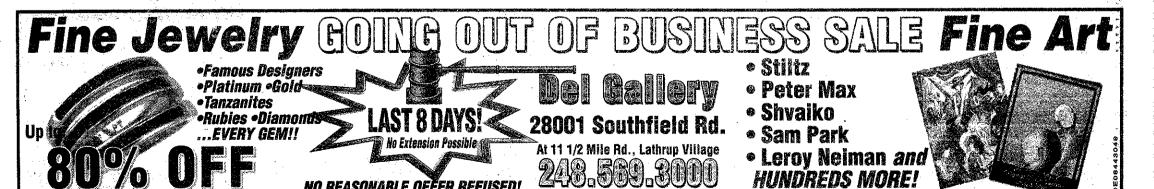
center of an arrangement of plants in front of the house. Brick pavers are placed in concentric circles.

By the front door is a small courtyard, a quiet transition from the outside to the inside. A large sculpture representing a blossom is here, as are PJMminiature rhododendrons and azaleas, and a cluster of yellow begonias at the door.

Sculpted evergreen hedges, like those in the Japanese imperial gardens, top an undulating berm. The scene is like that of the hills of Kyoto.

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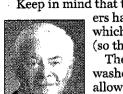


# Refrigerator leak must be repaired

s mentioned in previous weeks, my negative words pertaining to the Maytag Neptune front load washers have generated many comments from

Now that we have one of these units in our home, I am getting a lot of mail with

favorable comments. Keep in mind that the older front load-



**Appliance** Doctor

Joe

ers had many problems, which have been resolved (so they tell me).

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The testing of our new washer in our home will allow me to give you feedback as to what we think of it. This will happen with comments in many future columns.

I must ask for your patience, as two readers of this column who phoned me and told me that they Gagnon want the test results now have chastised me! One step at a time, ladies. My tester Valorie is a

one-woman operation. Baseball and golf caps are thrown away every year because they look all sweatstained, etc. One of the favorable e-mails I received was concerning how a front loader can get a cap cleaned removing all

stains and not damaging the bill. Valorie tried it with four caps - one of them white - and all came out looking pretty darn good.

She did a load of delicates and they

weren't twisted like they used to be using the old top loader.

She did several of my dress shirts without applying any stain remover on the col-

lar areas, and they came out perfect. She is also very pleased with the lack of wrinkles in clothes coming out of the

Valorie had to adjust the heat setting on the dryer because items were coming out damp on the waistbands but dry everywhere else. She feels she has cured that

problem. All in all, the testing is going well with no negatives to report.

An e-mail from Keith: "We have a Sub-Zero refrigerator purchased in June 1986. The Sub-Zero is in our up north cottage that is heated during the wintertime, but used mainly in the summer months.

"There is ice buildup inside the refrigerator, on the back, middle shelf section. We have had the condenser cleaned and Freon added, but it didn't prevent the ice from building up again. What do we do to fix the problem?

"We also get mildew buildup inside the refrigerator, primarily in the summertime. Are the two issues related? If not, what can we do to eliminate the mildew buildup?'

Keith, mildew comes from moisture, and there is plenty of that in the food you put into the refrigerator or in the air that enters into the unit when you open the

In the central air conditioning system of

a home, the moisture in the air is removed by the evaporator, which is mounted in the plenum of your furnace.

If the air conditioning system needs Freon or refrigerant (and it happens to many homeowners), you won't cool your house down. You will also have an ice buildup condition on the evaporator coil mentioned earlier.

The same sort of problem could be occurring in the refrigerator. The difference between a refrigerator and central air conditioning is the refrigerant system in a refrigerator is called a sealed system.

It's welded or soldered shut and anytime Freon leaks out, it's a serious problem. The service technician must find the leak and repair it. There is no way to just dump Freon into the system and call it a completed service call.

I don't want to tell you that you've been ripped off because you haven't told me enough to make that determination.

If a guy came into my home and told me he charged my refrigerator because it was low on Freon, I'd have some serious questions for his boss. Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can be heard on Talk Radio WAAM 1600 at 8 a.m. Saturdays. He is a board member of Spectrum Human Services and the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals (SOCAP). His phone number is (734) 971-1600, Ext. 28. Do you have a question about an appliance or a problem you have with an appliance? E-mail your question to mklemic@hometownlife.com and it will be forwarded to Joe Gagnon.

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is raising money by selling raffle tick-

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## **GARDEN WALK CALENDAR**

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The 33rd annual Indian Village Home and Garden Tour will take place 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 3, in the turn-of-the-century neighborhood on Seminole, Iroquois and Burns, from Jefferson to Mack avenues in Detroit. Six homes, three gardens, one carriage house, five churches and two schools will be open for tours. Advance tickets (\$13 per person) are available online at www.historicindianvillage.org.

Tickets will be \$18 per person Saturday and on sale at the Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church at Jefferson and Burns, Iroquois Avenue Christ Lutheran Church at Vernor and Iroquois, and Waldorf School, 2555 Burns at Charlevoix.

For recorded information, or a tour brochure, call (313) 922-1736 or visit www.historicindianvillage.org

Huntington Woods Summer Garden Walk will take place

1-4 p.m. Sunday, June 11, in Huntington Woods, Tickets are \$8 in advance, \$10 tour day. Call (248) 224-Franklin

The 21st annual Franklin Garden Walk is scheduled 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., and 6-9 p.m., Wednesday, June 14. The event will feature six private gardens, artists at work in the gardens, a salad luncheon and garden vendors on the green. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$12 tour

day. Visit franklingardenclub.org or call (248) 626-8293.

Sylvan Lake

The third annual Sylvan Lake walk will take place 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, June 17. It will feature the Owl House, a 1900s kit home, a house with country art, and three lakefront

Tickets are \$10 for groups of 10 or more, \$12 prior to the day of the event, \$15 tour day. They are available at Sylvan Lake City Hall, Blossoms of Birmingham and Detroit Garden Works.

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

The Farmington Garden Club will host its biannual garden walk, A Garden Party, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 24, rain or shine.

Tickets are \$10 and will be available after June 1 at Steinkopf Nursery, 20815 Farmington Road, and on the day of the event at the Visitors Center in Heritage Park, off Farmington Road between 10 and 11

Eight private gardens and one public garden will be featured. At the Visitors Center, club members will serve complimentary refreshments and Steinkoof Nursery will sell a wide variety of beautiful plants. A box lunch or salad will be available.

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For more information, call Betti at (248) 442-2742 or visit farmingtongardenclub.com.

Livonia

Friends for the Development of Greenmead will present its 17th Annual Garden Walk 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 24, featuring seven gardens and yards of homes throughout Livonia. Proceeds benefit the restoration and preservation of Greenmead Historical Village. Tickets are \$9 in advance, \$10 the day of the walk. They are available at any Livonia library, the Civic Center Library Gift Shop (the library is on Five Mile, just east of Farmington Road), the Greenmead office (on Eight Mile, just west of Newburgh) and the Department of Community Resources on the fifth floor of Livonia City Hall.

Call (734) 466-2540 or (734) 425-4855. Plymouth

The Trailwood Garden Club will present the 11th annual Flowers Are Forever Garden Walk noon to 8 p.m., rain or shine, Tuesday, June 27. Several lovely gardens in Plymouth will

be featured. Complimentary refresh-

ments will be served. Tickets are \$7 pre-sale, \$8 the day of the walk, half off for ages 12 and under, free for "little gardeners" carried in arms (strollers aren't permitted in gardens). Raffle tickets are SI or three for \$2. Tickets will be available after June 1 at Saxton's Garden Center, (734) 453-6250; at Backyard Birds in Plymouth, (734) 416-0600; and from Marilyn Detmer, (734)

454-4625. **Grosse Pointe** 

The 15th annual Summer Garden Tour, sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Garden Center Inc., will take place 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, June 24-25, rain or shine. Tickets are \$12 in advance, \$15 on tour

days. They will be available at local merchants and at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lake Shore Drive in Grosse Pointe Farms.

For information, call the Grosse Pointe Garden Center, (313) 881-7511, Ext. 206, between 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, The tour will feature private Grosse

Pointe gardens, Children's Home of Detroit gardens, trail and children's gardens at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, and (new this year) gardens at Patterson Park.

Master gardeners will be present at various locations to answer questions. Lunch will be available for purchase at Patterson Park.

Northville The 13th annual Gardens of Northville

Garden Walk will take place 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Wednesday, July 12. Call (248) 349-7783 for information. Six outstanding Northville gardens, the gardens of Historic Mill Race Village, homemade cookies at the Cady Inn, music on the green a raffle, and wares of local plantsmen and artisans will be featured.

# **HOME CALENDAR**

Interior design

Interior design and decor are among the subjects of Continuing Education & Professional Development classes from Schoolcraft College this spring. For more information, call Continuing Education & Professional Development at (734) 462-4448 or visit www.schoolcraft.edu.

The schedule includes Learn Interior Redesign in Just 3 Days! and Detailing Your Walls. The interior redesign class will take

place on two Thursdays and a Saturday beginning June 1 (cost is \$175, senior cost is \$140; bring a sack lunch to the Saturday session). This class is limited to eight students. Detailing Your Walls will take place for four weeks beginning Thursday, June 8 (cost is \$67, senior cost is \$53.60). Pewabic Pottery

Pewabic Pottery's 16th annual benefit show and sale. For the House and Garden, will take place 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday Sunday, June 3-4, at

Pewabic Pottery, 10125 E. Jefferson in Detroit. Admission is free.

Showcasing the creativity of more than 70 ceramic artists, the event will feature vessels for plants and flowers. table accessories for indoor and outdoor entertaining, sculptural ceramic pieces, and tile and tile-related items. Tours of the Pottery, demonstrations, museum and gallery exhibitions, and design studio access will be available. A special benefit preview party is scheduled 6-9 p.m. Friday, including hors d'oeuvres and cocktails, music by the Sheila Landis Trio and compli-

mentary valet parking. Preview tickets are benefactor, \$250 each or four for \$900; patron, \$150 each or four for \$500; and sponsor, \$75 each or four for \$250. RSVP

For information and reservations, call (313) 822-0954 between 10 a.m. and 5

Interior design

Continuing Education summer classes include Elements of Interior Design, eight Saturdays beginning June 3. To register and for more information, call (313) 664-7691 or visit www.ccscad.edu/ce.

Taught by Teri Main, this class will include the basic principles of space planning, drafting, color theory and materials and finishes. Students will work toward creating a finished residential room during the course. Cost is \$295, plus \$10 material fee.

**Needlework and Textile Guild** The Needlework and Textile Guild of Michigan will have its annual Potluck Luncheon and Fashion Show at 9:45 a.m. Tuesday, June 13, at First United

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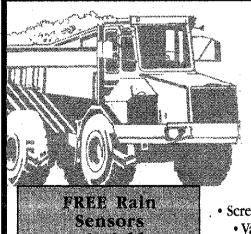
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# **GARDEN CALENDAR**

### Leaf show

The Metro Detroit Hosta Society Leaf Show and Silent Auction will take place 1-4 p.m. Saturday, June 3, at the Senior Center, 3500 Marais in Royal

### The public may attend.

**Toligate Gardens** Tollgate Gardens volunteers will conduct the Toligate Gardens Spring Plant Sale 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 3, at the Michigan State University Tollgate Education Center, 12 Mile and Meadowbrook in Novi.

Sun and shade perennials, hostas and ornamental grasses will be available. Master gardeners will be present to answer gardening questions. For more information, call (248) 347-

### 3860, Ext. 212. **Environmental class**

A free environmental education class is scheduled 10 a.m. Saturday, June 3, at the E.L. Johnson Nature Center, 3325 Franklin Road between Long Lake and Hickory Grove roads in Bloomfield Township.

The program is suitable for families or individuals, and combines fun and education. Participants may choose the Habitat Scavenger Hunt, or Nature Journaling.

Advance registration is requested; call (248) 594-2802.

## Native plant sale

A native plant sale, to benefit the land preservation efforts of the Oakland Land Conservancy (OLC), will take place 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, June 4, at the Betty Stodgill Pancake Pavilion, on the southeast corner of Pike and Mill in downtown Pontiac. Admission is free. For information, call

(248) 601-2816 or visit http://www.oakland/. Prices are \$3 each for 2-inch contain-

ers (\$5 for quarts) of grasses and wildflowers, \$8 to \$12 for quart containers of woody vines, \$20 to \$28 for gallon containers of shrubs and trees. Sale plants are native genotypes grown by WildType Nursery near Lansing.

A free 2-inch container will be given to anyone who joins as a new member or donates \$25 or more to the OLC at the

The sale is co-sponsored by the Clinton River Watershed Council and Wild Ones Natural Landscapers

### Oakland County Chapter. **Rose Companions**

Stephen Scanniello will present a slide lecture based on his newest book, Rose Companions, at Great Lakes Roses, 49875 Willow Road in Sumpter Township.

The lecture will take place 1 p.m. Sunday, June 4 (repealed 3 p.m. Sunday and 11 a.m. Monday, June 5). Tickets are \$8 to benefit Michigan State University's Horticultural Demonstration Gardens. Reservations requested, Call (734) 461-1230. Scanniello will sign copies of his books before and after his talk. Rose Companions and his other rose books (A Year of Roses, Climbing Roses, Roses of America) will be available for

### sale and signing. Hosta hybridizers

Hosta Hybridizers will meet 10 a.m. Sunday, June 4, in Room 125 at Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro, south of Plymouth Road in Ann Arbor (phone (734) 647-7600).

# Fresh garden

Gardening classes at The Community House in Birmingham include Keeping Your Garden Fresh (Wednesday, June 7; cost is \$22). Instructor is Sue Grubba, owner of Creative Scapes. To register and for more information, call (248) 644-5832 or visit www.communityhouse.com.

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### Seminars

English Gardens will host free gardening seminars for the public 7 p.m. Wednesdays in June at its six stores, including locations in West Bloomfield, (248) 851-7506; Dearborn Heights, (313) 278-4433; Royal Oak/Troy, (248) 280-9500; and Ann Arbor, (734) 332-7900. Growing Beautiful Roses will be the topic June 7. Various types of roses. proper planting procedures, insect and disease control, pruning, fertilizing and winter care will be discussed. Gardening in Container and Other Small Spaces will be the topic June 14.

### Daylily sale

The Southern Michigan Hemerocallis Society will sponsor its annual summer Daylily Plant Sale 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, June 10, rain or shine, at Congregational Church of Birmingham, 1000 Cranbrook Road at Woodward in Bloomfield Hills. Cash sales only. Admission is free. The huge selection will feature modern daylily forms, including gold or contrasting edges, frilly doubles, bold eyes and patterns, spiders and unusual forms that reach 10 inches. Among the color choices will be pink, lavender, purple, rose, red, cream, white, yellow and gold. Come early for best selection.

Club members and local hybridizers will be present to answer questions. For more information, visit www.daylilyclub.com, call (248) 363-7517, or e-mail frogsleap1@juno.com.

Cactus and Succulent Society The Michigan Cactus and Succulent Society will meet at 2 p.m. Sunday, June 11, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 814 N. Campbell in Royal Oak. Winter Hardy Cacti and Succulents will be the topic of the featured discus-

sion and demonstration. Guests are welcome. Admission is

For more information, call (248) 524-0227.

### Yesterday's roses

Roger and Nancy Lindley, owners of Great Lakes Roses, present a series of educational programs for the public. The popular programs are at the historic 1890s barn and display garden at Great Lakes Roses, 49875 Willow Road in Sumpter Township. Each presentation lasts about 1-1/2 hours. Dress for the weather. For information, visit www.GreatLakesRoses.com or call (734) 461-1230. The schedule includes Yesterday's Roses for Today's Gardens (1 p.m.

Sunday, June 11, repeated 11 a.m. Monday June 12). This program is a stide lecture and guided garden tour by Namey Listoicy. Admission is free. Reservations aren't required. Visit www.GreatLakesRoses.com or call (734) 461-1230.

# Hill & Dale Garden Club

general meeting, with installation of new officers, 6 p.m. Thursday, June 15, at the Heritage Park Visitors Center. on Farmington Road between 10 and 11

The public may attend. For more information, contact Mar Scawly at (248) 333-3108 or stemar@comcast.net.

Volunteers sought Do you live in a condo or apartment and miss gardening? The Royal Oak Garden Club is seeking volunteers (club members only) to tend these Royal Oak community gardens now to October: Gilda's Garden, Community Center Garden, Community Center Iris Garden, Cemetery Garden and the Zoo Garden. Club membership is \$10 per year. Call Sherry Jurva at (248) 280-2540.



Azaleas, Japanese maples, rhododendrons, iris, pachysandra, mugho pines and locust trees are among the plantings at the Ziegelman garden.

# HARMONY

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few gardens in the world that aren't symmetrical," Ziegelman said.

# **PLANTINGS**

In the back yard, near a stone lantern from Japan and a dwarf cypress, cherry blossoms unfold their color. After the cherry blossoms are gone, azaleas blaze onto the scene.

"You're enveloped in this beautiful color," Ziegelman said.

"The color combinations are what I love."

Other plantings include split-leaf and regular Japanese maples, rhododendrons, iris, mugho pines and arborvitae. Reds and purples are some of the colors.

Locust trees shelter one side of the house - where a greenhouse is situated - during the summer, keeping it cool.

The small leaves go directly to mulch when they drop in the fall. In the winter, the bare trees atom the sun in help hear

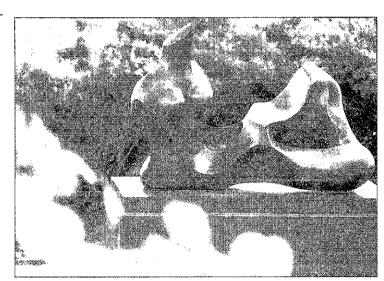
# OTHER ELEMENTS

A soothing waterfall flows down three levels to a pond. Among the positioned rocks are ones that offer seating for meditation.

Pea gravel, representing water, covers the ground in some areas, including a small sculpture garden where original bronze pieces by Ziegelman are displayed.

He works on his sculpture at one corner of the garden in a small studio that was designed to resemble a tea house. Nearby, a retaining wall and a yew hedge add closure to the garden (another principle of Japanese gardens).

Among other principles applied here are having a few, rather than a lot, of a type of plant; and keeping most things small.



A bronze piece by Ziegelman is displayed in a sculpture garden. He works on sculpture in a small studio designed to resemble a tea house.



Large windows in the home provide clear views of the surrounding grounds.

Exceptions to the latter are the towering Norwegian spruce and pin oaks in one area that were originally on the

"We are blessed with that as a backdrop," Ziegelman said. Less maintenance is involved with the grounds than you might think, as pachysandra and ivy serve as lush groundcovers. No weeding is neces-

Proceeds from the Open Days Program support the Garden Conservancy's national preservation work, and local not-for-profit organizations designated by hosts of individual gardens.

Proceeds from the Ziegelman garden will benefit Cranbrook House & Gardens.

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# **OPEN DAYS PROGRAM**

What: Visits to private gardens in Beverly Hills, Bloomfield Hills, Pleasant Ridge and Troy, and public gardens at Congregational Church of Birmingham in Bloomfield Hills, Cranbrook House & Gardens in Bloomfield Hills and Meadow Brook Hall in Rochester. Garden descriptions and driving directions are included in The Garden Conservancy's Open Days Directory. Use the directory to select the gardens you want to visit. Advance reservations aren't necessary. The directory is available at bookstores, nurseries and www.gardenconservancy.org, or by calling (888) 842-2442. Cost is \$15.95 for the national edition (\$10.95 for Garden Conservancy members), \$5 for each regional edi

- When: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 11. (Other Open Days are scheduled around the country now through November.)
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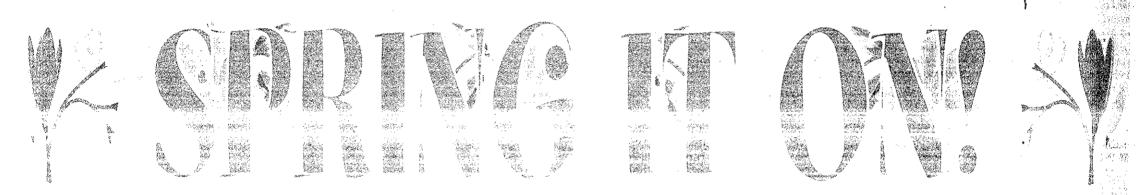
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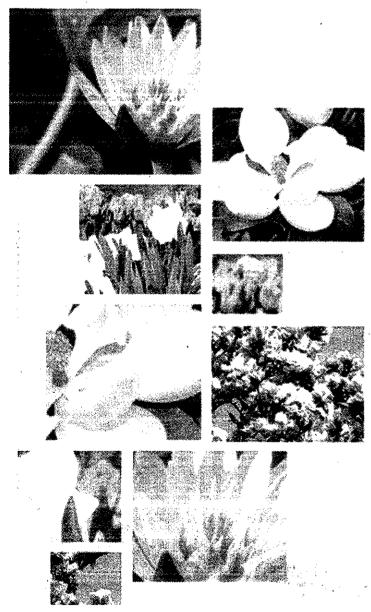
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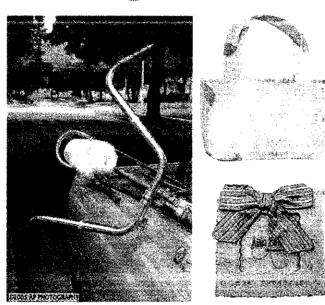
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door unit is free of debris. Trim or remove shrubs or obstructions within 1 foot of the outdoor unit.

■ Be careful when mowing the lawn near the outside unit, and make sure that grass clippings and leaves aren't blown toward the unit.

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# Tips help stretch your remodeling budget

It's that time of year again. Spring is in the air, and that means fresh thoughts, new beginnings, and ideas for home renovation start to take shape.

The National Association of the Remodeling Industry (NARI) reminds homeowners that May is Home Improvement Month, marking the time when homeowners across the country seek out contractors who can turn their dream homes into reality.

"Preparing for a remodeling project is a lot like preparing to buy a car," said Everett Collier, CR, of Collier-Ostrom Remodeling, and president of NARI. "You may know which room and style you'd like, but the options you choose may drive the price higher than you can reasonably afford.

"However, there are ways to stretch your remodeling budget."

Below are NARI's tips for stretching that budget:

Hire a professional contractor who is familiar with the building codes in your area. Replacing work that doesn't meet code can be extremely expensive.

A well-written contract

can prevent costly mistakes or additions to the scope of your project. It is a critical step in maintaining your budget.

Save money by planning ahead. Go through the design process with your remodeler first and choose everything you want to include in the new room(s), from appliances to light fixtures.

This will define your budget and prevent hasty (and costly) changes later in the project.

Compare products and their prices carefully before you make final decisions. And keep an open mind when you discuss product and design ideas with your contractor.

Aside from product choice, another way to decrease the cost of your remodeling project is to pay attention to how labor-intensive some design features may be.

For instance, laying a ceramic tile mosaic backsplash would be costly versus a backsplash laid with conventional-sized tiles.

The remodeling market, a \$275 billion industry in the United States in 2005, is expected to continue to experience significant growth. It is

estimated that more than a million homes per year undergo major renovation or remodeling.

NARI is a professional association whose members voluntarily subscribe to a strict code of ethics.

Consumers can search www.RemodelToday.com to find a qualified professional who is a member of NARI.

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# TwoTone makes wines to enjoy now

f you could buy wine at the farmers market, this is what it would taste like," says Tres Goetting, who with Danielle Cyrot makes the wine at TwoTone Farm in Napa Valley.

"Danielle and I make wines that we can share with friends, after work, whenever," Cyrot said. "We spend most of our time making serious wines that you can cellar for 10 to 20 years. At TwoTone Farm, we're making wines that you can enjoy right now."

These young winemakers must be working all of the time, since Goetting is a winemaker at St. Clement Vineyards and Cyrot is a winemaker at Stags' Leap Winery. TwoTone was launched in 2003 with inaugural releases of a Napa Valley chardonnay and merlot, each bottled with twistoff closures rather than traditional corks — the first

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"There's nothing more frustrating to a winemaker than opening a bottle of 'corked' wine." Goetting said. "TwoTone Farm wines are meant to be consumed in their youth, and the twistoff closure preserves their fresh fruit character."

Prior to settling in California, Cyrot's winemaking career took her to Alsace, France, and Australia. "We wanted our label to strike a balance between the artistic and the zany," she said. "On one side of the scale, we want traditional qualities such as earthiness, the sensuality of rural life and the romance of farm-style wine, and on the other side of the scale, contemporary style - the shock of new."

Cyrot is also a music lover who considers making wine and writing music to be artis-



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tic endeavors. "Like music, winemaking requires solid training and good instruments, but also a good dose of harmony and personality to set it apart," she said.

### WHAT TO BUY

There are lots of \$10 wines on the market, but few deliver the flavor that these do.

2004 TwoTone Farm Chardonnay \$10. The majority of grapes came from Monterey and they contribute bright acidity and citrus qualities. Napa Valley fruit provides richness and length, while Santa Barbara grapes add a tropical character. Aromas of flowers, apples, citrus and pears introduce a wine with balanced acidity, medium body and a touch of spice. Overall, it's a versatile wine for lighter summer foods.

■ 2003 TwoTone Farm Merlot \$10. The majority of Napa Valley fruit gives richness and structure, while the Sonoma County portion adds cherry pie flavors. Addition of a little cabernet, zinfandel and petite syrah contributes layers of flavors and complexity, while keeping the wine approachable. This easydrinking wine begins with bright raspberry aromas leading to cherry, dark plum and cocoa flavors, ending smooth and mellow.

2003 TwoTone Farm Cabernet Sauvignon \$10. The winemakers relied on Napa Valley and Knight's Valley fruit for concentration, while adding a little merlot for bright red fruit and petite

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If you have an item for the Taste calendar, please submit at least two weeks prior to your event to Ken Abramczyk, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft. Livonia, MI 48150, e-mail kabramcz@hometownlife.com or fax (734) 591-7279.

### international buffets

International buffets: Eastern European, June 1, Mediterranean/Middle Eastern, June 8, and Regions of North America, June 15, \$12 per person per meal, 11:15 a.m.- 1:15 p.m. in Fifty One O One, Student & Culinary Arts Center, Henry Ford Community College, 5101 Evergreen, Dearborn, for reservations, call (313) 845-9651

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Summer 2006 series of healthy cooking classes by Valerie Wilson, 6-9 p.m., June 14 and 21, \$60 (\$30 each class), and Middle Eastern cooking, 6-9 p.m., Friday, June 23, \$30; class is held in Garden City, visit www.macroval.com for details or call (734) 261-2856.

Thai cooking

Learn to make pad Thai, chiang rai eggplant and hot and sour soup, 7:30 p.m., Monday, June 19, instructed by Lawan Chandruang and her husband Adirek, who own Bangkok Bistro in Troy and Sterling Heights, \$30, The Community House, 380 S.Bates, Birmingham, (248) 644-5832, www.communityhouse.com.

### Summer salads

Take herbs and vegetables and turn them into salads and learn how to use leftover barbecue in "salad" sandwich ideas, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 20, instructed by Julie Djurich. The Community House, 380 S.Bates, Birmingham, (248) 644-5832, www.communityhouse.com.

### Wine classes

Summer tasting of wine regions in series of four sessions at 7:30 p.m., instructed by Nidal Daher and Marc Jonna, with the following classes scheduled: sauvignon blancs, Thursday, June 8; ABC (anything but Chardonnay), June 15; Mediterranean Region Wines, June 22; All American wines, June 29, \$28 each session, \$98 for all four, The Community House, 380 S.Bates, Birmingham, (248) 644-5832, www.communityhouse.com.

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register online at www.grapevineschoolofwine.com. For additional information, call (248) 990-4613.

# The Community House Cooking classes will be taught this

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# Turkey breast is crusted with mustard

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS The kind of recipe that

becomes a favorite probably wins its popularity for more than one reason. Here's a dish that has multiple charms: mustard-crusted turkey breast roasted with carrots and broc-

First: It's a savory main course roasted in one pan, accompanying veggies and all, easily put together from a short but smart ingredient list. The resulting dish will please the taste buds - but, bonus point: It's lean enough not to upset a diet planned to cut down on

The recipe is from the May issue of Everyday Food magazine, and it's part of a feature titled "All in One Bag." The feature provides a plan of action for a week's worth of quick and tasty meals that requires only one trip to the store.

### **MUSTARD CRUSTED TURKEY BREAST WITH CARROTS** AND BROCCOLI

1 pound carrots (6 to 8 medium), peeled and cut on the diago-

nal into 2-inch lengths 3 teaspoons olive oil Coarse salt and ground pepper 1 boneless turkey breast half (2 pounds)

3 tablespoons whole-grain mus-

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tard, plus more for serving (optional) 1 pound broccoli, cut into large

florets, tough ends of stalks trimmed, peeled and sliced/4inch thick

Preheat oven to 425º F. On a rimmed baking sheet, toss carrots with 1 teaspoon oil; season with salt and pepper. Push carrots to edges of baking sheet; place turkey in center, skin side up. Coat top of turkey with mustard; season with salt and pepper. Roast until beginning to brown, 20 to 25 minutes.

In a large bowl, toss broccoli with remaining 2 teaspoons oil. Season with salt and pepper; toss broccoli with carrots on baking sheet. Continue roasting, tossing vegetables once, until turkey is browned and an instant-read thermometer inserted in center registers 165 F, 30 to 40 min-

Transfer turkey to a cutting board; tent loosely with aluminum foil, and let rest, 5 to 10 minutes. Slice turkey and serve with vegetables, accompanied by mustard, if desired.

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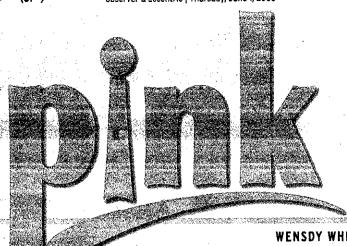


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# Macy's will be "way to shop"

BY WENSDY WHITE

Many Metro Detroiters are still working to shake the Hudson's habit, and get used to calling the department stores Marshall Field's. Don't bother — the name will change again this fall.

Federated Department Stores has purchased all 61 Marshall Field's stores across the country and is in the process of converting them to Macy's. Michigan's 22 locations are among them.

The change will take full effect on Sept. 9, when the new Macy's signage is unveiled during in-store celebrations. The first 1,000 customers who walk through the door of any Macy's that day will receive free gift cards in "mystery amounts," and shoppers will get a glimpse of Macy's private brands and the latest items for fall.

The Somerset Macy's will amp up the occasion with fashion shows, giftwith-purchase promotions and live entertainment.

Until then, the Macy's team will be hard at work ushering in the transition. Macy's private labels, which range from I.N.C. for trendsetters to Greendog for children, will be eased onto the retail floor starting the third week of July. Meanwhile, the public is being prepared for the change.

On May 23, media were invited to a Macy's Preview at the Oakland Marshall

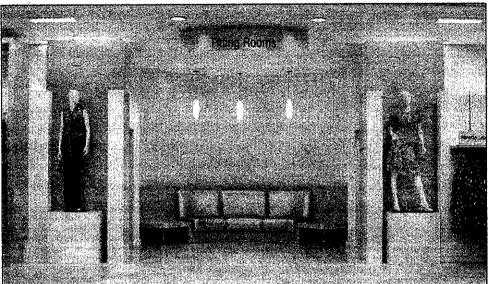
PINK met with Hank Lorant, Regional Vice President for Marshall Field's, who brought us up to speed on what we can expect from Macy's.

You will see a dramatically different look to the stores," said Lorant, who started with Hudson's in 1975 and will continue as Regional Vice President for the Macy's North division, which encompasses Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, Minnesota, Wisconsin, North Dakota and South Dakota.

Lorant said Macy's is working to preserve the best of Marshall Field's, which is known for top-notch customer service, a great culinary department, in-store restaurants and community involvement. At the same time, Macy's will make shopping easier with cleaner environments, wider aisles, and products tailor-made for four specific 'lifestyles.

We're marrying great merchandise with great service to create a great shopping experience here in Detroit," Lorant said.

Here are some of the things guests can expect with the Macy's "way to shop":



At Macy's, renovated fitting rooms with benches will make shopping more comfy for you and your hubby.



Wayfinding signs will make shopping easier.

Differentiated and Edited Merchandise. Less is more as Macy's cleans up the sales floor. Racks will be lowered so customers can see displays on the back walls. Merchandise, from fashion to housewares, will be grouped according to four well-researched "lifestyle" demographics.

Streamlined Pricing. Instead of marking things up to mark them down, Macy's offers "Everyday Value," with merchandise priced to sell. Coupons will be more exclusive.

**Fewer Checkout Stations.** Customers will no longer be confused by unstaffed 'wrap stations.' Instead there will be fewer checkout areas, with more accessible staff.

Renovated Fitting Rooms. All fitting rooms will have lounge areas with upholstered benches, so you don't have to wander through the store for a second opinion. Wider Aisles. Moms will have an easier time pushing strollers between racks

that are at least 32" apart. \* Price Checkers. Having trouble figuring out what that red-pen, double markdown, 40 percent off will actually cost you? Scan the bar code yourself at price checkers before you buy.

• Improved Signage. 'Wayfinding' signs at the intersections of aisles will clearly point the way to what you seek.

Continued Community Support.

"Macy's Gives" will continue to support local causes, including Macy's Second Mondays at The Henry Ford, Detroit Festival of the Arts, Detroit Public Library Summer Reading Program, Day of Music with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and the United Way.

Holiday Festivities. Macy's will welcome Santa to the Oakland Mall store with fireworks on Friday, Nov. 11, and continue photos with Santa, family events and entertainment and holiday cooking demonstrations throughout the store.

**Food.** Macy's will take over the Marshall Field's Culinary Council, comprised of America's top culinary minds, who design menus for in-store restaurants and make in-store appearances. Macy's will take Frango chocolates nationwide.

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