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City will play host for (senior) Olympics

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Westland, already lauded for its senior citizen programs, will host the Western Wayne County Senior Olympics in 2007.

The event, in its third year, will come to Westland with such activities as basketball shooting, billiards, bowling, baking, card games, football tossing and horseshoes, among many others.

It'll give Westland a chance to showcase places like the senior Friendship Center and Thomas H.

Brown Central City Park - named after the city's first mayor.

"It'll bring a lot of people from other communities here to see what a great city we have," Mayor Sandra Cicirelli said. "It's great to host something like this."

The senior summer games will likely draw hundreds of participants and spectators, said Westland Senior Resources Director Peggy Ellenwood.

"I'm excited about it," she said. "Thomas Brown Central City Park will be a beautiful location for this type of event."

Van Buren Township hosted the first Western Wayne County Senior Olympics last year. This year, it's Northville's turn Aug. 21-25.

County Executive Robert Ficano spearheaded the senior games, patterned after a long-standing event that serves Downriver communities, Ellenwood said.

"The seniors don't have to be athletic to get involved," she said. "When people realize that you don't have to be the Olympic material you see on TV, they are more likely to participate."

Hundreds of seniors participated

in the first event, Ellenwood said, and the games are only expected to grow in popularity.

"By the time we host, it's going to be perfect," she said.

The senior games include an opening ceremony in which representatives from western Wayne County communities carry banners and torches.

Nearly 20 Westland seniors participated in last year's games, and some locals also will be involved in this year's event in Northville, Ellenwood said.

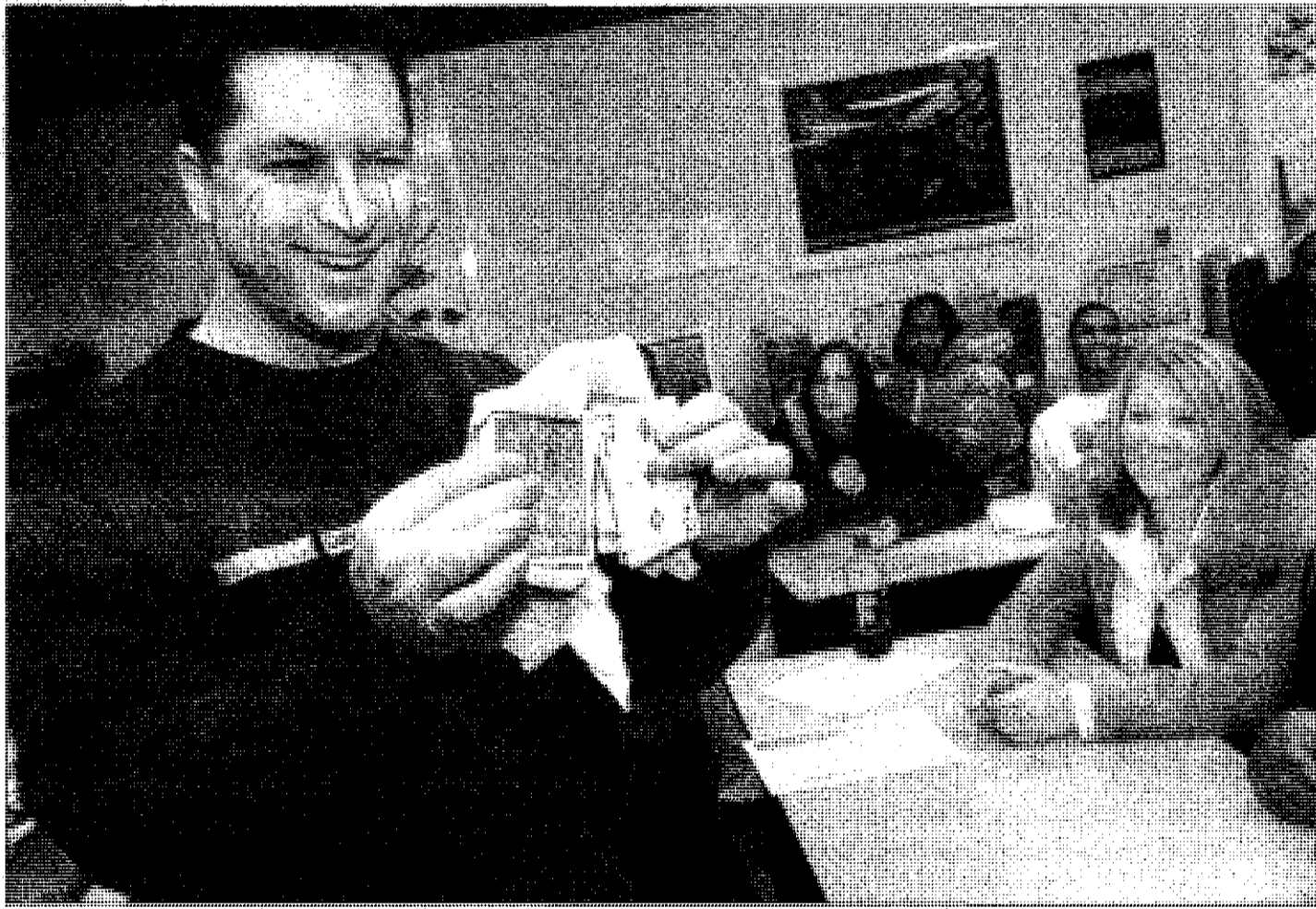
Although Northville will host this

year's games, Westland will be the site for this year's pinocle competition on Aug. 23, she said.

Western Wayne Senior Olympics participants should be 50 or older. For more information, Ellenwood recommended calling the Friendship Center at (734) 722-7628.

Westland has previously drawn attention for its senior programs. It won past national honors for its Senior Health & Fitness Day, initiated locally by former senior Director Sylvia Kozorosky-Wiacek.

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William Heine, desktop publishing teacher at the William D. Ford Career Technical Center, shows his students one of 127 tricks he knows with cards as an incentive for finishing projects on time.

Governor's budget proposal won't plug hole in WW's 'bucket'

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

Gov. Jennifer Granholm wants to increase per pupil state school aid \$200 next year. It sounds good, it looks good, but is it enough?

According to Wayne-Westland School Superintendent Greg Baracy, the answer is no. Borrowing a phrase from former state superintendent Tom Watkins, Baracy said the proposed increase doesn't come close to plugging "the hole in the bucket."

"We appreciate getting the \$200, but it's a far cry from making up the three years of frozen foundation allowances and charge backs," he said. "And even with a \$200 increase, it won't cover the health care and retirement increases for our employees."



Baracy

For Wayne-Westland, an extra \$200 per student would generate \$2.7 million in revenue. However, it expects to spend \$268

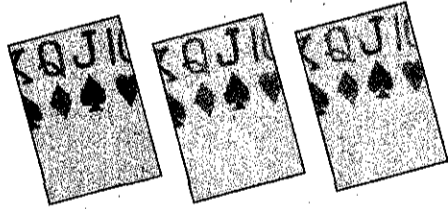
per student for anticipated increases in retirement (\$115) and health care (\$153), leaving a deficit of \$68 per student to cover "modest wage increases, increased operating costs and significant increases in utilities," Baracy said.

"And we may not get \$200," he said. "Some of that may be dedicated to other things."

The effect on the budget would be similar to this year, according to a chart prepared by Gary Martin, the deputy

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Magic moments



Teacher catches students' attention with his 'tricky' hand work

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

The first day David Mitchell sat in amazement and watched his teacher set a wallet on fire.

Mitchell was very impressed. "He said he was going to do some tricks and when the wallet caught on fire he said it was a hot trick," Mitchell said. "Actually, it was pretty cool."

Little did Mitchell know that his teacher, William Heine, not only knows his way around a computer, but also is a professional magician.

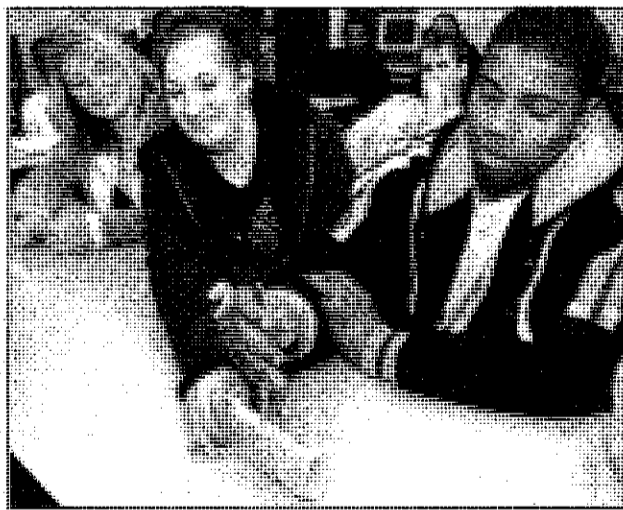
"I'm creating wonder," said Heine. "Now days kids have so many distractions, so I take a little time to have them wonder. With magic, they see things that

they don't understand and appreciate that they don't understand."

Heine, a former sales consultant and trainer for graphics products, has been teaching desktop publishing at the William D. Ford Career Technical Center in Westland for three years, using his magic to capture his students' attention and as an incentive.

"Before I get the message across I need to get their focus," the Plymouth resident said. "My students enjoy being entertained."

Get a project done on time and Heine brings in a few tricks. At Halloween, he puts on a half-hour show for his students. That's when he brings in the big stuff - the birds, the sound system, the



Career Technical student Linda Dowd (from left) looks on as Michelle Horeluk helps Eric Austin split the package containing a deck of cards. All three students attend John Glenn.

PLEASE SEE MAGIC, A6

Elementaries 'lasso' students at roundup

Do you know a member of the class of 2019?

If you have or know a student who will be in kindergarten next year, then you do. All 17 elementary schools in the Wayne-Westland Community Schools will host a Kindergarten Roundup for parents and children at 9 a.m. Tuesday, March 28.

Parents will have the opportunity to tour the school, meet the principal and kindergarten teachers, discuss the curriculum and review registration materials.

They'll also get an opportunity to hear about the district pilot all-day kindergarten program that will be offered in the fall at four schools -

Wildwood in Westland, Hicks in Inkster, Walker-Winter in Canton and Roosevelt-McGrath in Wayne.

Incoming kindergarten students will get the chance to visit the kindergarten rooms, make a craft and meet the teachers. They also will receive a backpack full of school supplies.

Children who will be 5 years old by Dec. 1, 2006, are eligible for kindergarten.

Parents must provide three proofs of residency, the child's birth certificate and immunization record to register their child.

For more information or to see which school a child will attend, call (734) 419-2000.

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Coming Thursday in Filter

Oscars: Pick winners and win prizes





Coming Home King candidate Justin Collop is escorted into the Wayne Memorial gymnasium by Alex Worthy.



The freshman class gives there all in an attempt to win the tug o' war competition.



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Be true to your school

Color coordinated, the Wayne Memorial High School junior class shows their spirit with their "Bet U Can't Do It Like Us" T-shirts at the annual Coming Home pep assembly Thursday.

AROUND WESTLAND

Meeting change

Due to Presidents Day, the Westland City Council will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, rather than Monday, this week. The meeting will be held at City Hall, on Ford Road between Wayne and Newburgh.

Town hall

Mayor Sandra Cicirelli will have her first Town Hall meeting of 2006 at 6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, at the senior citizen Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh. Residents are welcome to voice concerns or ask questions of Cicirelli.

Coffee with Glenn

State Rep. Glenn Anderson, D-Westland, announced that his next local coffee hour with his constituents will be 9-10:30 a.m. Monday, Feb. 20, at the Westland Big Boy restaurant, 6360 N. Wayne at Hunter. Citizens are welcome to address Anderson with their concerns or questions.

Spaghetti Dinner

The Dyer Senior Center, 36745 Marquette, invites Westland residents to the best spaghetti dinner in town. Dinner will be served 4-7

p.m. Friday, March 24, at the center. Cost is \$6 for spaghetti, salad, dessert, entertainment and dancing. Call Mary Browe at (734) 419-2020.

Vegas Night

Garden City Hospital's Health Enhancement Center is bringing casino-style gaming to Westland at its annual "Heart of Gold" fund-raiser. The event, with a Vegas Night theme, takes place on 3-7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 25, at the Hawthorne Valley Country Club, 7300 N. Merriman in Westland. All proceeds raised will benefit the center's Cardiac Rehabilitation

Equipment Fund. Tickets are \$25 and are available by calling (734) 458-3248.

Open houses

St. Damian School will host its annual open house from noon to 2 p.m. Sunday, March 12. An accredited Catholic school, St. Damian is accepting enrollment for all classes at the school at 29891 Joy Road between Middlebelt and Merriman. It offers 3- and 4-year-old preschool, full day kindergarten and grades 1-8. Call (734) 427-1680. ■ Willow Creek Co-Op Preschool will have an open

house 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, March 14, at the preschool in Kirk of Our Savior Church, 36660 Cherry Hill, Westland. For more information, call (734) 326-0078.

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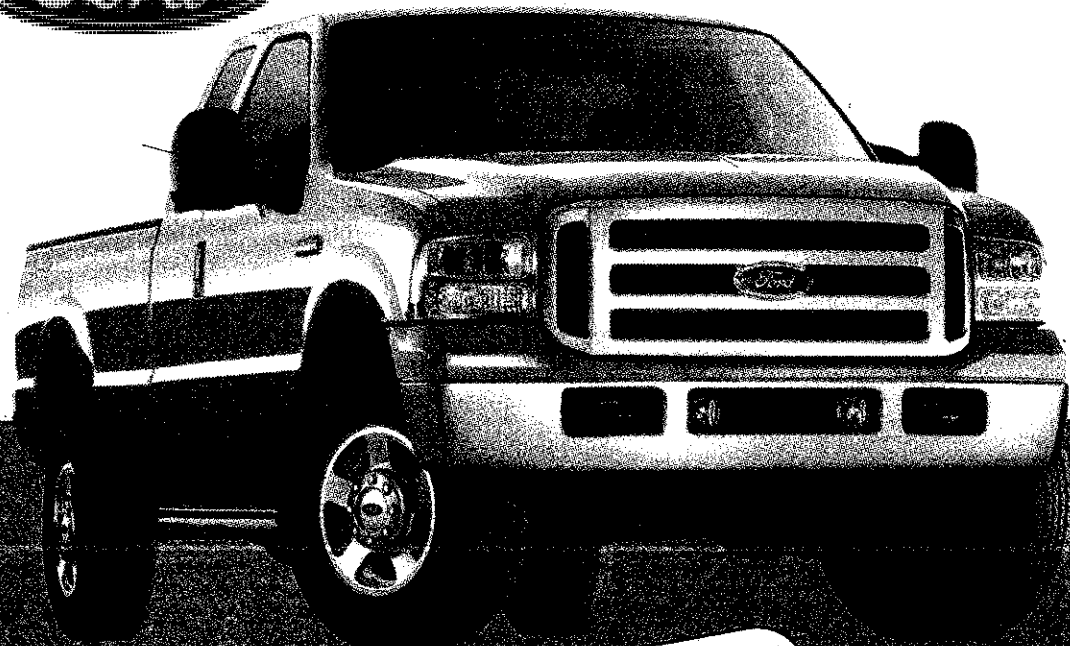
Livonia Public Schools will present Realtor Appreciation Day 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 1, at Emerson Middle School, 29100 W. Chicago in Livonia. The event will include lunch provided by district food service staff, a tour of the school, a presentation featuring the Legacy Initiative video and more. Supt.

Randy Liepa will share a special presentation and be on hand to answer questions. All agents will receive district informational materials. Contact the district at (734) 744-2500.

Scrapbook workshop

Ss. Simon and Jude Parish will have a scrapbooking workshop 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 25, at the church, 32500 Palmer east of Venoy, Westland. The cost is \$35 for the full day and \$25 for a half day. For more information, contact Karen Kopcak at (734) 634-3934 or by e-mail at khollenbeck@twmi.rr.com.

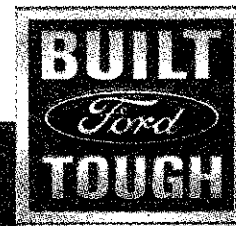
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Legacy opposition attorney: It's a 'strong case'

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA
STAFF WRITER

Southfield Attorney Mayer Morganroth addressed the grassroots group, Citizens for Livonia's Future, Thursday evening, telling the crowd they have good chance of halting the Legacy Initiative.

"We of course feel you have a strong case," said Morganroth, whose clients have included assisted suicide doctor Jack Kevorkian.

The Legacy plan, passed in December by the Livonia Public Schools Board of Education, aims to close schools and reconfigure buildings into lower and upper elementary, middle and high schools next fall. The plan is a districtwide effort to save \$1.5 million to \$2 million a year for the next five years.

have united against the plan, hoping to stop school closings for the coming year, allowing time to form a new demographics committee and further investigate changes for the future of the district.

Morganroth said he is currently petitioning Wayne County Circuit Court for a temporary restraining order and a preliminary injunction - which would each serve to stop the district from implementing its Legacy Initiative, including recently approved bus purchases, planned school renovations, and transition activities already in progress.

Morganroth said those petitions would be filed Tuesday. He anticipates the court will set a preliminary hearing over the next three to five weeks.

Citizens for Livonia's Future hope to show the court that the actions of the school board and

school district in passing the Legacy Initiative were "arbitrary and capricious." Morganroth also intends to prove that the board violated the Open Meetings Act by allowing four trustees to attend a demographics committee meeting, thus constituting a quorum.

District officials have denied there was ever a quorum at a committee meeting, and said the committee did not keep a record of attendance or minutes.

Morganroth noted that the group's strength lies in its numbers. "Anytime you have this amount of people opposed to it, something's gotta be very wrong with what you're doing,"

He said the board's actions were "inappropriate, improper and downright foolish."

Joe DiDomenico, a parent in the Taylor School area, said

communicating with the school board throughout this process has been like "talking to a wall. They didn't respond to the letter (sent by Morganroth). The bottom line is they just don't care what we say or what we do."

Morganroth said that "lack of response and consideration (is) all part of arbitrary and capricious" behavior.

Morganroth expects the lawsuit would be expedited by the court, rather than become a long, drawn-out process. He said the process would take up to six months, much shorter than a common Wayne County Circuit Court case which he said often takes one or two years.

"This is much greater than a school district event," said Steve Futrell, president of Citizens for Livonia's Future. "This is a communitywide issue. This is not just about the schools. Our kids are very important, and that's why we're here. But it's a community issue."

Futrell told the crowd gathered Tuesday at St. Mary's Church that they need continued support - both in the form of volunteers and financial contributions to support the group's legal expenses.

Citizens for Livonia's Future have begun the effort to recall trustees Dan Lessard, Cynthia Markarian, Lynda Scheel, Rob Freeman and Kevin Whitehead. According to Jody Hamilton the group aims to garner 11,000 signatures - per

Citizens group raising money to pay legal bills

Citizens for Livonia's Future are coordinating a host of fund-raising activities to support their efforts in stopping the school district's Legacy Initiative.

Here are some upcoming events:
■ Bowling for the Future of LPS will begin at 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 24, at Merri-Bowl Lanes, 30950 Five Mile in Livonia. Cost is \$20 per person, adults only. Call (734) 522-1840.

■ Family Bowling will be 11:45 a.m. to 2 p.m. or 1:45-4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 26, at Wonderland Lanes, 28455 Plymouth in Livonia. Cost is \$10 for children, \$12 for adults. Call (734) 542-0504.

■ Buy or help sell Little Caesars Pizza Kits. Send e-mail to csummers@twmi.rr.com for details.

■ Corsi's Restaurant and Pizzeria will host a spaghetti dinner event noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, March 19, at the banquet center, 27910 W. Seven Mile in Livonia. Cost is \$10 for kids 12 and under, \$15 for adults. Meal includes pasta, salad, bread, beverages and dessert. Send e-mail to savelps@sbcglobal.net.

Contributions to any fund-raising events or efforts will be used to help cover legal fees and additional costs incurred by the citizen's group. They are not tax-deductible, as the group is not registered as a non-profit organization.

Donations are accepted as addressed to Citizens For Livonia's Future, P.O. Box 530892, Livonia, MI 48153-0892. Donations may also be made at LaSalle Bank, where an account has been set up in the group's name. For more information, see www.citizensforlivoniasfuture.com.

trustee - by May 1. If the group is able to collect enough valid signatures, a recall election could take place on Aug. 8.

"We're off to a great start," said Hamilton. "It hasn't even been a week and we've distributed 1,000 petitions. It's much better than we ever expected."

Hamilton said they are in the process of contacting local businesses and coordinating locations to seek signatures for their effort. In the meantime, the group has permission to

ask for signatures in school buildings, "as long as there are no safety issues," and in public parking lots and sidewalks.

If all goes as planned, Hamilton said, "We could have a new board seated by November."

Futrell reminded the group: "This is a process. We as a community are basically fighting the school board... We're standing up and saying 'We don't want this.'"

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Adult Book Club: 7 p.m. Feb. 21.
This month's book is *The Secret Life of Bees* by Sue Monk Kidd. Please read the book before the meeting. All are welcome.

Third/Fourth Grade Book Club: 7 p.m. Feb. 21.
The title of this month's book is *Frinde* by Andrew Clements. Register and pick up your copy of the book from the Children's Desk.

Science Fiction Book Club: 7 p.m. Feb. 22.

Join us as we discuss *Anansi Boys* by Neil Gaiman. Please read the book before the meeting.

Travel on the Internet: 10:30 a.m. Feb. 25.

Feeling the need to get away from the snow and cold? Learn how to plan your trip using the Internet.

A Drug-Free Approach to ADHD: 7 p.m. Feb. 27.

Join Dr. Brian Brackney to learn about safe, natural solutions to help improve behavior and performance. This program is specially designed for parents, teachers, day care supervisors, or anyone who interacts with children.

For more information about the library, call (734) 326-6123, visit the library at 6123 Central City Parkway or take a look online at www.westland.lib.mi.us.

PROPOSAL

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superintendent of administrative and business services.

This budget year, the state increased school aid by \$175 per student, but while it is bringing in \$2.4 million, it doesn't even cover the \$2.5 million lost due to declining enrollment, \$1.4 million in increased retirement costs and \$1.3 million increase in employee benefits, primarily health.

The net impact, according to Martin, is a \$2.9 million

revenue loss or \$213 in per pupil dollars.

"Until we start keeping up with the rate of inflation, we're going to continue to deplete our savings," Baracy said. "We can't get out of the hole, if we're not keeping up with the increases."

In presenting her proposal, Granholm recommended that the foundation allowance, the per pupil amount the state gives school districts, be increased \$200 to \$7,075 and that \$25 of that amount be given to districts this budget year.

"Our position is that we

would prefer all the money be in the foundation allowance so we have local control over the expenditures," he said.

She is also proposing a \$50 million allocation for districts with declining enrollment. Districts with at least two consecutive years of losses would be eligible and the payment would be based on the difference between a three-year average and actual enrollment. Some 240 school districts could benefit from the proposal.

Wayne-Westland is experiencing declining enrollment. The current school year mem-

bership dropped by 340 students, but Baracy said the proposal appears to be aimed at helping the Detroit Public Schools which has lost thousands of students a year for several years.

The governor's proposal also has targeted \$10 million for improving mathematics and reading literacy skills in kindergarten through third grade and expanding the Great Start School Readiness Programs' funding by \$28.8 million to serve an additional 4,7000 students across the state.

Granholm also wants to

provide \$15 million for the implementation of a Michigan After School Program designed to provide after-school learning opportunities in mathematics, science and technology skills for middle school students.

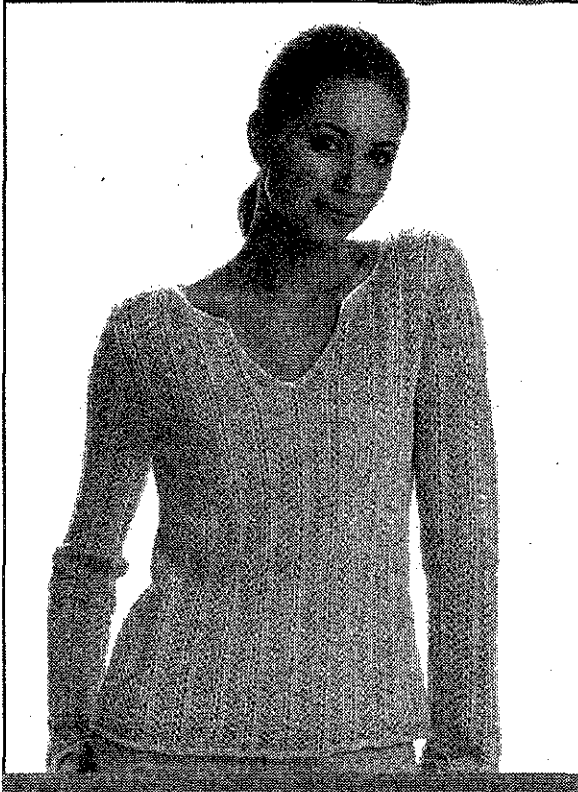
"It's only the governor's recommendation," Baracy said. "We all know it's too early to get excited about additional funds. The budget has to go through the legislative process, so we know it will be significantly different than what we see here."

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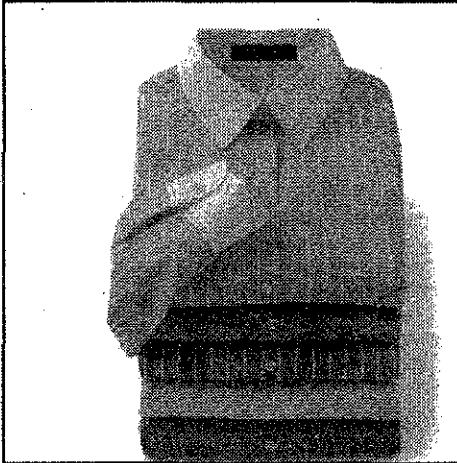


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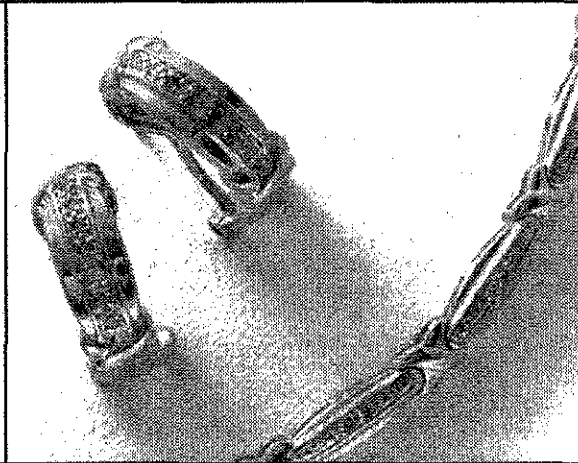
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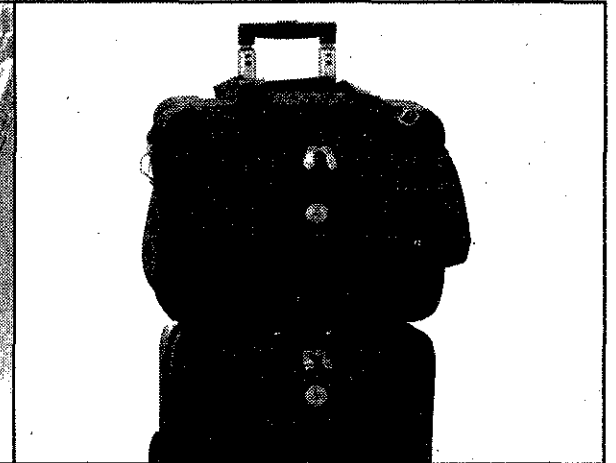
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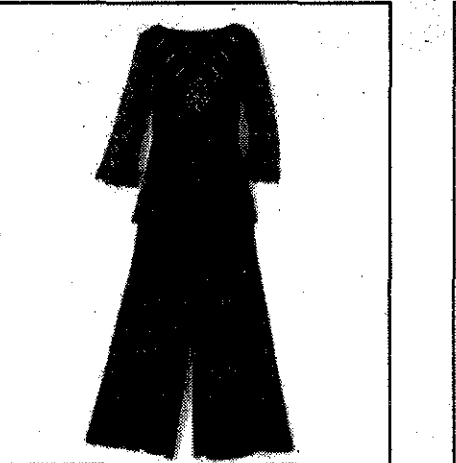
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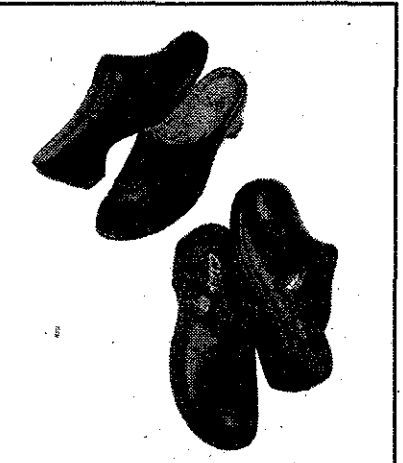
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DEATHS

- B**
Lillian "Patricia" Bassett
Bassett, 90, of Plymouth, died Feb. 12.
- C**
Frances T. Caldwell
Caldwell, 89, of Rochester Hills, died Feb. 3.
William J. Cecelski
Cecelski, 76, of Rochester Hills, died Feb. 10.
Gladys E. Cutsinger
Cutsinger, 98, of Farmington Hills, died Feb. 15.
- D**
Margaret M. Donnelly
Donnelly, 73, of Rochester, died Feb. 2.
Margaret Rose Downer
Downer, 54, of Garden City, died Feb. 3.
- F**
Todd W. Ferguson
Ferguson, 43, of Waterford, died Feb. 15.
- G**
Jason William Gamble
Gamble, 28, of Wayne, died Jan. 9.
- N**
Robert Nigohosian
Nigohosian, 69, died Feb. 13.
- P**
Angela M. Paschke
Paschke, 36, of Farmington Hills, died Feb. 12.
Marguerite J. Primo
Primo, 87, of Lake Orion, died Feb. 8.
Virginia V. Pryce
Pryce, 86, of Westland, died Feb. 7.
- S**
William R. Steiner
Steiner, 76, of Rochester, died Feb. 7.

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CITY OF GARDEN CITY
ORDINANCE # 06-004

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 154 ZONING OF TITLE XV LAND USAGE OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY, SECTION 154.036 PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE.

THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY HEREBY REPEALS THE EXISTING SECTION 154.036 PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE, AND HEREBY ORDAINS:

THAT THE CITY COUNCIL SHALL ENACT AND ORDINANCE, WHICH REGULATES THE REQUIREMENTS OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE, AS FOLLOWS:

§154.036 PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE; REQUIREMENTS; PERMITS AND/OR APPROVALS

(A) *Intent and scope of requirements.* To insure compliance with the provisions of this chapter and any conditions imposed thereunder, the Planning Commission, Community Development Director, Zoning Administrator or their designee may require that a performance guarantee be deposited with the city, prior to the issuance of permits or approvals, to insure faithful completion of improvements, in accordance with §4e of the City or Village Zoning Act, public Act 207 of 1921, being MCLA §§125.581-125.590, as amended. Improvements for which the city may require a performance guarantee include, but are not limited to roadways, lighting, utilities, sidewalks, driveways, screening, grading and drainage, incomplete structures, site clean-up and landscape buffers.

(B) *General requirements.* The performance guarantee shall meet the following requirements:

- (1) The performance guarantee shall be in the form of cash, certified check, irrevocable letter of credit from a Michigan lending institution, surety bond or performance bond which names the property owner/developer/contractor as the obligor and the city as the at-will obligee or beneficiary.
- (2) The performance guarantee shall be submitted at the time of issuance of the permit authorizing the activity or project.
- (3) The amount of the performance guarantee shall be sufficient to cover the estimated cost of the project/development/improvements for which the performance guarantee is required. Prior to the issuance of the permit authorizing the activity or project, the applicant shall provide an itemized schedule of estimated costs to complete the project/development/improvements. The amount of the performance guarantee shall be determined by the Zoning Administrator or Building Official and shall be reasonably related to the costs incurred by the city to complete the project/development/improvements.
- (4) The entire performance guarantee shall be returned to the applicant following issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy by the Building Official and/or final site approval by the Community Development Director or designee where appropriate. The performance guarantee may be released to the applicant in proportion to the work completed on various elements, provided that a minimum of 10% shall be retained on each element until satisfactory completion of the entire project.

(C) *Unsatisfactory completion of improvements.* Whenever required improvements are not installed or maintained within the time stipulated or in accordance with the standards set forth in this chapter or the Approved Site Plan, the city may complete the necessary improvements and assess all costs of completing the improvements plus interest against the performance guarantee. Prior to the City completing the improvements, the city shall notify the owner, site plan review applicant, or other firm or individual responsible for the completion of the required improvements.
(Ord. 92-005, passed 2-17-92) Penalty, see §154.999

REPEALER
Any section of the City Code in conflict herewith is hereby repealed.

SAVINGS CLAUSE
Any prosecution, civil suit or other court proceeding which is pending on the effective date of this Ordinance and which arose from any violation(s) of any Ordinance repealed by this Ordinance, or a prosecution which is started within one (1) year after the effective date of this ordinance arising from any violation of any Ordinance repealed by this Ordinance that was committed prior to the effective date of this Ordinance, shall be tried and determined exactly as if the Ordinance had not been repealed.

SEVERABILITY
The invalidity of any clause, sentence, paragraph or part of this Ordinance hereby adopted shall not affect the validity of the remaining parts.

DATE OF EFFECT
This Ordinance shall become effective on February 19, 2006.

JAYLEE LYNCH
Mayor

ALLYSON BETTIS
City Clerk-Treasurer

Adopted: February 13, 2006
Resolution: 06-02-029
Publish: February 19, 2006

Wayne-Westland Community Schools
Westland, Michigan 48185

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
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Sealed bids for Wayne-Westland Community Schools' Bid Package #19,

Consisting of: **Wayne Memorial H.S. Athletics Program Addition, Wayne Memorial H.S. Gym Air Conditioning, Wayne Memorial H.S. Toilet Room Remodeling, David Hicks Elevator Addition**

will be received until **1:30 P.M. local time on Tuesday, March 7, 2006** at which time they will be opened and read publicly at Wayne-Westland Community School Board of Education Office, located at 36745 Marquette, Westland, Michigan 48185. Bids received after this time and date will be returned unopened.

This is a Re-Bid for Bid Divisions 101 & 104 only. Bids for all other Bid Divisions will be returned unopened.

Faxed proposals will not be accepted.

This Bid Package will consist of a separate sealed bid for the following Bid Divisions:

101	Site Excavation / Sit Utilities
104	Concrete Footings & Foundations

Bidding documents prepared by **TMP Associates, Inc.** will be available for public inspection at the office of the Construction Manager, **McCarthy & Smith, Inc.**, 24317 Indoplex Circle, Farmington Hills, MI 48335; the FW Dodge Plan Room, Southfield; the Construction Association of Michigan Plan Room, Bloomfield Hills; and the Daily Construction Reports Plan Room, Detroit.

Bidders may obtain one (1) set of bidding documents, beginning Wednesday, February 15, 2006, by contacting the Construction Manager, **McCarthy & Smith, Inc.**, at (248) 427-8400. Additional plans may be ordered and purchased directly from Dunn Blue Reprographics Technology, (248) 353-2950. Bids are to be submitted in a sealed envelope supplied by the Construction Manager, **McCarthy & Smith, Inc.** The bid division(s) being bid is/are to be identified on the outside of the envelope.

A sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship existing between the bidder and any member of the school board, school superintendents, or chief executive must accompany each bid. A board shall not accept a bid that does not include this statement. This statement is on the proposal execution form.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Bid Bond in the amount of five (5) percent of the amount of the bid, payable to Wayne-Westland Community Schools, as a guarantee that if the proposal is accepted, the bidder will execute the contract and file the required bonds within ten (10) days after notice of award of contract.

If awarded a contract, the successful bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and Labor and Material Payment Bond. Wayne-Westland Community Schools reserve the right to reject any or all bids received and to waive any informalities and irregularities in the bidding.

This project is to be bid at the prevailing wage rate.

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TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
A flame shoots from an open wallet where William Heine had stashed a playing card. Like magic, it turned up in the deck.

MAGIC
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whole shebang."
"It works very well, they push each other along so they get to see more magic tricks," he said.
Magic is a way to introduce students to the idea of looking at things from different perspectives in desktop publishing.
"In magic, you try to capture people's attention by showing them something they don't always see, they're not use to seeing things done that way," he said. "Magic is the same way. You want to fool the senses."
SLEIGHT OF HAND
Heine has been doing magic for 35 years. He was introduced to the sleight of hand at age 10 and did his first show at age 11. He made \$5. That first gig was three doors down his street at a birthday party.
He also remembers his first trick, the egg bag, a trick in which an egg magically appears and disappears in a bag.
At the peak of his career, he was opening at the Fisher Theater for comedian Robert Townsend and for fellow magician Harry Blackstone Jr.
"It was pretty exciting being in a theater like that," he said. "Now, I do it on weekends and a lot more in the summer."
And it was his magic that got Heine into desktop publishing. He delved into it to produce his own magic brochure.

With 14 years of experience in graphic design, he decided to shelve his sales job and turned to teaching. Now he's only one class away from getting his vocational certification.
"I wanted to do something that meant more to me than selling things," he said. "This job you can have a positive impact on kids."
Heine not only entertains his students with his magic, he also teaches them a trick at the end of the school year.
"I teach them something so they can see how it looks before and how it looks after," he said. "They learn it so they can see the difference."
TEACHING OTHERS
Heine also plans to take his teaching beyond desktop publishing. He plans to open a magic summer camp in 2007 for kids ages 7-12, teaching beginning and intermediate magic.
"So many parents would come up to me and ask if I would teach their kids, or tell me I should have magic lessons," he said. "It's a way of getting kids away from video games and teach them coordination, presentation skills and self-confidence."
Mitchell and classmate Sarah Thurmond enjoy Heine's feats of prestidigitator. One of their favorites is when he crumples a newspaper, rips it and then puts it back together.
"You even hear it rip," said Mitchell. "It's fun. He jokes around."
"After third hour, I look forward to his class," said Thurmond. "I love the computer work and taking a picture and making stuff out of it."
The teens had been working on calendars and some, like Thurmond were moving on to doing CD covers. Heine also has them do a project in which they are responsible for the entire campaign.
"Teens have a hard time with time constraints, so I teach deadlines," he said. "They don't have a lot of time so they have to change their strategies to meet the deadlines."
As for the lesson they get from the magic ...
"They learn that magic takes dedication," he said. "You can't do it haphazardly, you have to commit to learning the presentation skills."

People interested in William Heine's magic camp, can call him at (734) 454-9392 or e-mail him at magicguy_10@yahoo.com.
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Receiving highest honors — grade point averages between 3.75 and 4.0 — for the first semester of the 2005-06 school year at Huron Valley Lutheran High School in Westland were:

- Seniors Jacob Ficken, Michael Nocella, Lindsey Pyle and Brad Schmidt.
- Juniors Tod Bartholomew and Amanda Gruenewald.
- Sophomores Lauren Adlof, Colin Beerbower, Emily Helwig and Catherine St. John.
- Freshmen Samantha Barber, Cheyanne Curry-Hendrix and Kayla Stockdale.

Those receiving honors — grade point averages between 3.0 and 3.74 — were:

- Seniors Jeremy Freimark, Matthew Frisco, Erik Gruenewald, Brittany Hickman, Adam Kipfmiller, Zachary Mousseau, Vincent Pelligrino, John Sharrow and Renee Wendland.
- Juniors Melissa Bergemann, Erin Henkel, Scott Hoff and Eryn Van Patten.
- Sophomores Katie Kipfmiller, Lauren La Manna, Brandy Nocella, Robert Russ and Kathryn Strauch.
- Freshmen Lindsay Bushong, Abby Hoff, Aaron Howell, Kyle Tacia and Braden Woldt-Babb.



DeVos: This year's governor's race is all about jobs

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Dick DeVos said it's no surprise from talking with people he's met across the state — including those with whom he spoke to Friday in Livonia, Plymouth and Canton — there's one campaign issue the people of Michigan want the next governor to tackle the most. "It's all about jobs, and how are we going to get Michigan back to work," said DeVos. "Seems to make sense to me that if the issues are business related, maybe it's time for somebody with a business background."

DeVos, who made his fortune heading the Amway Corp. in Grand Rapids and is the Republican candidate for governor, said in order to get Michigan back to work, the state's Single Business Tax needs to be repealed. "It's a tax that punishes employers," said DeVos. "If employers add health care for their employees, they get

taxed on it. It's a disincentive to do what we want to do in this state and have jobs.



DeVos

"I would ask for a repeal as soon as possible, and we would work — in the meantime — to resolve how to take care of any deficit as a result," said DeVos. "We need to take that kind of bold step forward in this state. This governor said in the campaign she was going to get rid of the Small Business Tax, and it hasn't been done."

DeVos has been criticized by Granholm for failing to outline details of his economic recovery program. DeVos said not to worry, it's only February, and he's not tipping his hand early in the campaign. "The current governor didn't issue any plans (in her last campaign) until September, that's the histo-

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ry," said DeVos. "We'll have proposals in place well before a full and lively debate."

DeVos is also quick to fight back against accusations by Democrats that his corporation cut Michigan jobs and invested in China. "They're lying," DeVos said straight-faced. "I had to restructure a company during a time when we also knew we had to grow the business, and entered the China market. Not one job

left the United States to go to China, not one product manufactured at our plant in China left China to come to the United States."

"The Democrats are saying one plus one equals 11," he said. "Maybe in the new math, but not in the real world."

When it comes to new math, DeVos isn't too sympathetic about the dilemma faced by many school districts throughout the state which are dipping into cash reserves that are rapidly disappearing, resulting in program cuts.

"We're 48th in the country in the amount of money that gets stuck in administration versus going into classroom delivery," said DeVos. "It's a matter of management, priority and accountability, that's why charters are such an important part of the mix. They provide a real challenge for every school to be focused on what it delivers to its students and the parents who send them there."

"A lot of them (public schools) have apparently made the decision to go into deficit spending ... but have they really done what they need to do to adjust their expenses to suit the reality," questioned DeVos.

Last summer, more than 10,000 supporters of education rallied at the state capitol, urging legislators to change Proposal A and its funding mechanism for local school districts. DeVos said if he's elected, the tweaking of Proposal A will not be a priority.

"I don't foresee a change in Proposal A ... it's working quite well, considering the circumstances," he said. "If you're going to cut back and continue to do everything you used to do to be everything to everybody, at the end of the day you're going to be nothing to nobody."

"This governor flatlined funding for education per student for the first few years," he said. "Gov. (John) Engler, a Republican gover-

nor, had 12 years of consistent increases for education. He realized it was a priority, and put his money where his mouth is."

Despite the adversities of Michigan's automotive industry, DeVos said it's up to the carmakers and suppliers to deal with the realities, not the state.

"No governor can solve the problems of the auto industry," said DeVos. "The leaders of the unions, the leaders of the companies, have got to work together to resolve those issues and make those hard choices to get those companies back on their feet."

"You're not going to diversify the economy without helping small- and medium-size business to grow," he said. "They're going to be the engines for jobs of the future ... taking up the slack and offering opportunities for those workers to get back to work."

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Schoolcraft marks Women's History Month

Schoolcraft College will mark the first day of Women's History Month with a talk by Suzanne Mallare Acton, artistic and musical director for Rackham Symphony Choir, on Wednesday, March 1.

Acton will speak on Voices of Light: Looking at History through a Modern Multi-Media Lens. Voices of Light is a contemporary oratorio, written to accompany the 1928 silent film

masterpiece *La Passion de Jeanne d'Arc* (The Passion of Joan of Arc). She will accompany her remarks with scenes from the film.

The piece is a celebration of female spirituality and heroism, bringing to life the trial and end of life of St. Joan by giving her a voice. The text is built around a series of writings by women writers of the Middle Ages.

The talk begins at 11 a.m. in the Forum Building, room 310, from 11am-12pm. A question and answer period will follow.

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For arthritis, back pain, muscle aches and neck stiffness, use heat. Heat opens up blood vessels, and augments local blood supply. The flow of blood through an inflamed area carries away chemicals irritating the area and brings in nutrients that hasten healing. Thus heat helps.

In the same situations there is a role for cold. What cold does is to create numbness around the irritated areas, replacing the sensation of pain with the more acceptable sense of tingling. You feel better, but the underlying impairment remains unchanged. Thus cold comforts.

In the way of applying heat, physicians are leery of electric heating pads. The heat keeps flowing and can cause a burn at the site of application. Hot water bottles and hydrocollator packs start hot and cool down, resulting in little chance of heat injury.

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