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## Wild begins assembling his administrative team

### Appointments temporarily fill 2 vacant posts

BY DARRELL CLEM  
STAFF WRITER

Westland Mayor William Wild, in his first full week on the job, has started assembling his own team of city administrators.

And while some decisions may on the surface seem like a game of musical chairs, no one was left standing and facing the grim task of packing up to leave.

Wild announced Monday that his deputy mayor will be Courtney

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Brown, who left her four-year job as communication coordinator at city government cable station WLND.

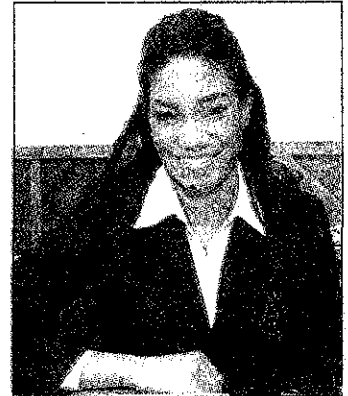
Brown replaced Terry Carroll, who has been named interim community development director.

And, two interim appointees will, for now, share the duties of heading up the city's public service depart-

ment. They are Kevin Buford, construction and maintenance superintendent, and Don Rohraff, water and sewer superintendent.

Wild, a mayoral appointee who will serve at least through November, made the changes without having to fire any directors.

Carroll stepped into the job that became vacant when James Gilbert, longtime community development director, left his job Oct. 31 to accept a position in Farmington Hills.



Courtney Brown is Westland Mayor William Wild's choice as deputy mayor. She has an extensive background in the media profession and most recently worked for city cable station WLND.

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## Board resumes search for new library director

BY DARRELL CLEM  
STAFF WRITER

Eight months after he was fired, Westland public library Director John Patane still hasn't been replaced.

Now, some residents have renewed their concerns that turmoil on the library board may have made the task more difficult.

The board had hoped to hire Patane's successor by last year's end, but negotiations with front-runner Susanna Davidson - coordinator of the electronic Michigan eLibrary - fell through.

"We just couldn't come to an agreement," board Vice President Michael Rintz said, although he acknowledged, "I thought she would have made a good director."

With talks collapsing, the board has returned to library consultant Larry Corbus to continue a nationwide search.

Corbus has told the *Observer* that nearly 30 applicants had sought Patane's job during an initial search.

Some library board watchers had voiced concerns after Patane's firing that finding a top-notch successor could be difficult.

Their concerns stemmed from the firing of two library directors within a two-year period. Some residents, such as Jim Cook, feared the library board could be viewed as having a reputation that would make the best candidates shy away.

Directors have had difficulty keeping support from a board majority, and Cook and others have said they believe the turmoil could make it difficult to replace Patane with a leader who can please all sides.

When contacted Monday at his home, Cook told the *Observer* that he hopes newly appointed Mayor William Wild will consider making changes in the board to reduce the infighting.

Cook acknowledged that Corbus came highly recommended as a consultant for helping library boards find directors.

"Maybe the problem is with the library board," Cook said.

After Patane's firing, some board members had singled out Rintz and accused him of micromanaging the library.

The board voted 3-2 to fire Patane last May, saying he exceeded his authority in using a credit card, deleting patron fees and giving raises beyond what was authorized.

Patane, who had his share of supporters in the community, was fired less than two years after the board ousted former Director Sandra Wilson. She had come under fire for using her husband as a library computer consultant.

Meanwhile, library board members and residents,

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TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

All of Central City Park is now cordoned off with chain-link fencing and new signs have been posted, announcing that environmental testing is being done.

## Task force has job of informing residents

BY DARRELL CLEM  
STAFF WRITER

Westland Mayor William Wild has appointed a task force to educate residents and keep them informed about developments related to the contamination of Central City Park.

Wild confirmed Tuesday that he has created an administrative task force including new Deputy

Mayor Courtney Brown, Fire Chief Michael Reddy, Parks and Recreation Director Robert Kosowski, City Attorney Angelo Plakas and Finance Director Steve Smith.

Wild assembled the task force on Monday, just three days after he ordered the entire park closed off with a chain-link fence as officials work toward resolving the contamination issue.

Wild's latest action came just five days after he was appointed by the Westland City Council to replace former Mayor Sandra Cicirelli, who is now a district judge. Many residents had demanded that officials do a better job of informing the public about the park situation.

In another development, county officials confirmed that, of 132 people whose blood was screened

for lead during two days of testing in Westland, only one child had results that showed potentially elevated levels.

Following a public outcry over contamination in Central City Park, county health workers screened 57 adults and 75 children who showed up during two days of free testing in December

PLEASE SEE PARK, A5

## Lem Barney highlights annual MLK celebration

Ex-Detroit Lion and NFL Hall of Fame member Lem Barney will be the keynote speaker at this year's celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday by the city of Westland.

The event will start at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Jan. 15, at the Annapolis Park Church of Christ, 30355 Annapolis Road at Henry Ruff.

Westland Mayor William Wild issued a statement saying he is pleased that Barney will be the keynote speaker at this year's King celebration.

"Mr. Barney has been involved in ministry since leaving the Lions and will have a strong, inspirational message for people who attend," Wild said.

As in past years, John G. High School's Junior ROTC will parade the flags of different countries through the church and lead the crowd in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The church's pastor, the Rev. Terrance McClain, will lead a prayer, and musical selections will be performed by the church's PUSH (Pray Until Something Happens) Choir.

Music also will be performed by the Detroit School of Arts Male Ensemble. Wild and Westland City Council President Charles Pickering will make remarks.

Entries and winners of the city's Martin Luther King Jr. poster contest will be on display. A closing prayer will be provided by the Rev. John E. Duckworth of Gethsemane

Missionary Baptist Church.

Light refreshments and coffee will be served after the ceremony.

"This event is an opportunity to remember the life and work of Dr. King as well as a chance to reflect on the progress the city has made," Wild said, adding, "It is always a pleasure to be able to hold this event in the beautiful Annapolis Park Church of Christ."

The church is located in a neighborhood that has been placed on the National Register of Historic Places. Annapolis Park has been recognized as one of the first U.S. suburbs to seek out African-American residents during the 1950s, when housing discrimination was widespread.

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### Coming Sunday in Health



New study says **flu shots** may increase risk of infection for heart surgery patients.

# Anderson holds meetings with constituents

Residents of the state's 6th Senate District will have a chance to meet with Glenn Anderson, D-Westland, Friday. Anderson, who will be officially sworn into office at the State Capitol on Wednesday, plans to hold a number of in-district meetings with constituents Jan. 12, beginning at 9 a.m. at the Westland Big Boy, 6360 N. Wayne Road.

"This office belongs to the people of the 6th district," said Anderson. "Our office will be the place where people's questions get answered, legislative work important to the 6th District gets done, and citizens are directly connected to their senator."

The Westland meeting will run until 10:30 a.m., then Anderson will head to the Redford Community Center at 12121 Hemingway to meet with constituents from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

He also has a 2-3:30 p.m. stop planned for the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center at 15218 Farmington Road followed by a 4-5 p.m. meeting in the Maple Room (No. 114) of the Maplewood Community Center, 31735 Maplewood,



Anderson

Garden City. Anderson also opened his Lansing office this week. Constituents can write him at P.O. Box 30036, Lansing, MI 48909, call him toll free at (866) 262-7306, reach him by fax at (517) 373-3935 or e-mail him at senatoranderson@senate.mi.gov. He also can be contacted through his Web site at www.senate.mi.gov/anderson.

In November, Anderson was elected senator for the 6th District, which includes Livonia, Garden City, Redford Township and Westland. He previously had served three terms in the State House of Representatives and nine years as a member of the Westland City Council.

Anderson has been appointed to serve on the Senate Appropriations Committee as well as Appropriations Subcommittees on Higher Education and is minority vice-chair of the General Government and Transportation committees.

# Art students pick favorites for contest

BY REBECCA JONES  
STAFF WRITER

A mosh pit, Bates Hamburgers, under the sea, lost in a book, out on the field — they are some of Livonia students' favorite places.

Students expressed this affection in poems, photos, drawing and music for the Livonia PTSA council's Reflections program.

The theme for the national PTSA program was, "My Favorite Place."

The awards ceremony was Thursday, Jan. 4. Stevenson High School's cafeteria was transformed into an art gallery.

Inside the auditorium, photos of students' artwork projected on a screen as they received their plaques.

Work was judged by Schoolcraft College's English Department, senior citizens and local art, music, photography and video production companies.

Juliet Wu's favorite place is the swimming pool. The Webster Elementary fifth-grader's second favorite place is apparently right next to the swimming pool, wearing a medal around her neck.

Wu swims the breaststroke at Bulldog Aquatic Club. For the Reflections program, Wu wrote a poem and drew a picture of herself by the pool. Both earned awards of merit.

For the first time, dance choreography and video production categories were included. Franklin High School junior Emily Riopelle earned an award of excellence for her five-minute musical montage, "The Ludington House."

Riopelle used iMovie on her Mac to edit footage of her family renovating their summer home. Franklin sophomore Stephen Lank prefers the anarchy of a mosh pit at a death metal concert, which he described in poetry, using words like dissonance.

Lank doesn't attend that many shows, "but it was something I felt strongly about. I thought it would be a good topic for (the theme) they gave us," he said.

The theme for next year's Reflections program is "I Can Make A Difference By ..."

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## Reflections awards announced

Livonia PTSA Council Reflections awards were announced Jan. 4.

The theme for 2006-07 was "My favorite place..."

### VISUAL ARTS - UPPER DIVISION

- Awards of Merit:**  
Caitlyn Murphy, Cooper sixth-grader, "Lost in a Book."  
Ana Pancevski, Cooper fifth-grader, "My Favorite Place."  
Juliet Wu, Webster fifth-grader, "The Swimming Pool is my Favorite Place."  
**Awards of Excellence:**  
Kara Dodane, Cooper sixth-grader, "Mackinaw Bridge."  
Kelly LaPorte, Riley sixth-grader, "Lake Thompson."  
Shelby McMillan, Webster fifth-grader, "Weko Beach Sunset."

### VISUAL ARTS - MIDDLE DIVISION

- Awards of Merit:**  
Feras Al-Hourani, Holmes eighth-grader, "At the Farm."  
Zoe Ellis, Holmes eighth-grader, "My Favorite Place is With My Books."  
Elaina Phillips, Holmes seventh-grader, "Paradise."  
**Awards of Excellence:**  
Maddie Dudas, Holmes eighth-grader, "My Favorite Place is in My Mother's Hands."  
**Awards of Excellence:**  
Maddie Dudas, Holmes eighth-grader, "My Favorite Place is in My Dreams."  
Christopher Murphy, Frost seventh-grader, "Jellystone Park."

### VISUAL ARTS - SENIOR DIVISION

- Awards of Merit:**  
Amy Afonso, Franklin, sophomore, "Stormy Sunset."  
Vicente Benavides, Franklin senior, "Brothers in Arms."  
Daniel Fairbanks, Stevenson freshman, "My Favorite Place Hasn't Been Found."  
**Awards of Excellence:**  
Aron Dunn, Stevenson junior, "Rainy Day Bedroom."  
Kyle Dunn, Stevenson junior, "My Favorite Place is Someplace Quiet."  
Rosanna Rubago, Franklin senior, "My Little Piece of Heaven."

### FILM/VIDEO PRODUCTION - SENIOR DIVISION

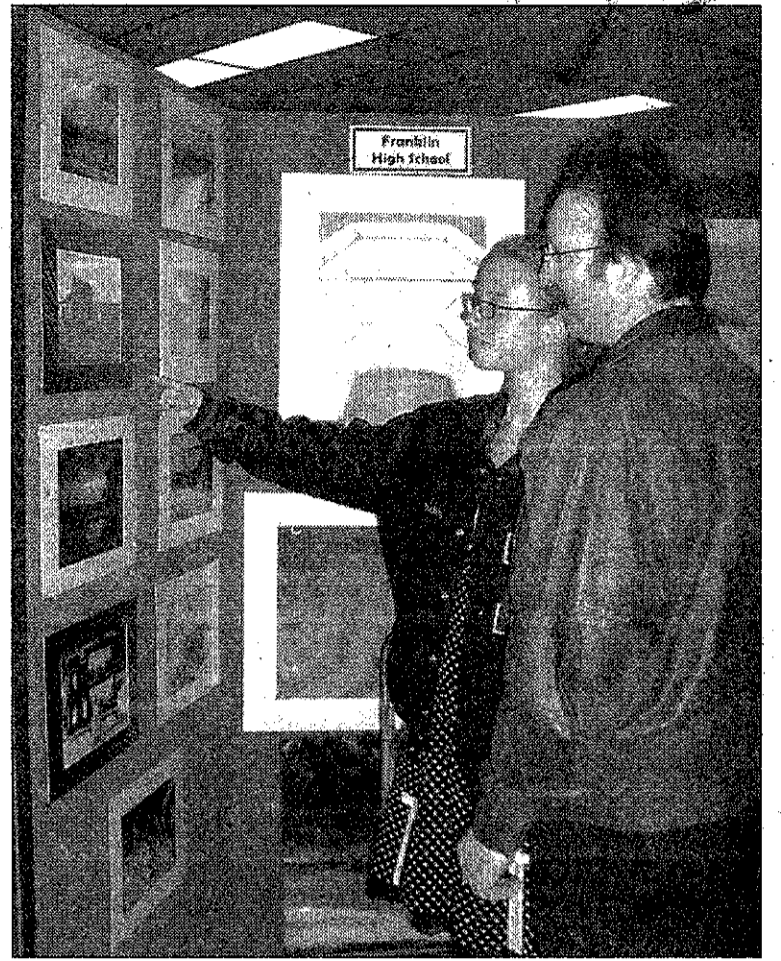
- Award of Excellence:**  
Emily Riopelle, Franklin junior, "The Ludington House."

### PHOTOGRAPHY - UPPER DIVISION

- Awards of Merit:**  
Emily Crombez, Cooper fifth-grader, "My Favorite Place is Outdoors."  
Alexandra Knorp, Riley fifth-grader, "Dairy Queen."  
**Awards of Excellence:**  
Emily Crombez, Cooper fifth-grader, "My Favorite Place is Behind the Screen."  
Ashleigh Engle, Webster fifth-grader, "My Favorite Place-Man Made."  
Sean Reppenhangen, Riley sixth-grader, "Smoky Mountains."

### PHOTOGRAPHY - MIDDLE DIVISION

- Awards of Merit:**  
Susan Depowski, Holmes eighth-



Photographer Cassandra Haupt, a Franklin senior, shows her dad Jim her Reflections contest entry. Titled "A Place to Think," it is a picture of her sister taken on a farm up north.

- grader, Untitled.  
James Fairbanks, Holmes seventh-grader, "Family."  
Mariah Morgan, Holmes eighth-grader, "My Favorite Place is inside My Heart."  
Alexander Ryktskyk, Frost seventh-grader, "Under the Sea."  
**Awards of Excellence:**  
Michael Schwarz, Holmes eighth-grader, "Bates Hamburgers."  
Michael Schwarz, Holmes eighth-grader, "Cayman Islands."

### PHOTOGRAPHY - SENIOR DIVISION

- Awards of Merit:**  
Krystal Frazier, Franklin senior, "Blue Aura."  
Cassandra Haupt, Franklin senior, "A Place to Think."  
Meghan Schemanske, Franklin junior, "My Happiness on the Field."  
**Awards of Excellence:**  
Veronica Allen, Churchill freshman, "Anywhere a Story Leads; in a World of My Own."  
AnnMarie Bott, Churchill senior, "Boat at Sunrise."  
Alexander Dehne, Churchill senior, "My Bridge."

### MUSICAL COMPOSITION - UPPER DIVISION

- Award of Merit:**  
Alwin David, Webster sixth-grader, "My Favorite Place is in the Blues/ Jazz Band."  
**Awards of Excellence:**  
Emily Crombez, Cooper fifth-grader, "Shopping for Music."  
Julia Grammatico, Webster fifth-grader, "A Walk on Clouds."  
Logan Vines, Riley sixth-grader, "Lakeshore Drive."

### MUSICAL COMPOSITION - MIDDLE DIVISION

- Award of Excellence:**  
Katie Crombez, Emerson seventh-grader, "Books."

### MUSICAL COMPOSITION - SENIOR DIVISION

- Awards of Excellence:**  
Heather Huber, Stevenson senior,

- "Bellum Sacrosanctus."  
Graham Liddell, Stevenson sophomore, "Out of the Hole."  
Blake Morgan, Stevenson sophomore, "Autumn Mist."

### LITERATURE - UPPER DIVISION

- Awards of Merit:**  
Julia Engels, Riley fifth-grader, "My Favorite Place."  
Hanna Warren, Cooper fifth-grader, "Favorite Place-Art Room."  
Juliet Wu, Webster fifth-grader, "The Swimming Pool is my Favorite Place."  
**Awards of Excellence:**  
Lia Andreassi, Riley sixth-grader, "My Grandma's and Grandpa's House."  
Shelby McMillan, Webster sixth-grader, "Questions Unanswered."  
Aimee Moccia, Riley fifth-grader, "It's My Call."

### LITERATURE - MIDDLE DIVISION

- Awards of Merit:**  
Kathryn Smith, Frost seventh-grader, "Key West."  
Bethany Taylor, Holmes eighth-grader, "My Cat's Favorite Habitat."  
David Vincentini, Frost seventh-grader, "My Favorite Place."  
**Awards of Excellence:**  
Brittany Hottmann, Holmes seventh-grader, "There is a World Far Bigger Than the One in Which We Live."  
Mariah Morgan, Holmes eighth-grader, "The Circus."  
Stacy Rosner, Holmes eighth-grader, "Reflections: My Aunt Kelly's House."

### LITERATURE - SENIOR DIVISION

- Awards of Merit:**  
Lindsay Brown, Franklin sophomore, "The Wonderful Workings of My Mind."  
Stephen Lank, Franklin sophomore, "Anatomy of a Mosh Pit."  
Kaiti Zitterman, Stevenson sophomore, "My Favorite Place."  
**Awards of Excellence:**  
Nicholas Norton, Franklin senior, "Imagine my imagination."  
Christian Vandercook, Franklin sophomore, "Requiem of the Athlete's Soul."  
Cecily York, Franklin sophomore, "As Close as You Can Get to Heaven."

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## Gunshot in mall

A customer at J.C. Penney in Westland Shopping Center accidentally dropped a semiautomatic pistol that discharged when it hit the floor of the lobby of the store's portrait studio, police said.

One bullet was discharged, and it lodged in the floor. A police report noted that the customer "was extremely concerned and appeared upset of the incident."

The customer identified himself, showed employees a permit he had to carry a concealed weapon, and then left the store.

## CRIME WATCH

The investigation was continuing.

## Vacation surprise

A 47-year-old resident of Maes Street, near Newburgh and Cherry Hill, told police he returned home from vacation to learn that his family's house had been ransacked.

The incident happened sometime between Dec. 14 and Jan. 4. The man told police that someone had broken into his house and taken such items as

a \$700 television, \$60 in pictures, \$1,500 in purses, \$1,000 in perfume, \$10,000 in jewelry and \$6,000 in collectible rifles.

## Gun stolen

A 59-year-old resident of Woodbourne, near Merriman and Avondale, told police that he left a loaded handgun in the console of his vehicle and that it was stolen between 11:30 p.m. Friday and 11 a.m. Saturday.

The man told police that he left his vehicle unlocked while it was parked in his driveway.

- By Darrell Clem



## Taking the oath

Michigan Supreme Court Justice Michael Cavanagh administers the oath of office to Sen. Glenn Anderson during ceremonies Wednesday in Lansing. Holding the Bible is Anderson's wife Gail. The Westland Democrat's 6th Senate District includes Westland, Garden City, Livonia and Redford.



State Rep. Richard LeBlanc, D-Westland, shares a laugh with Supreme Court Justice Michael Cavanagh after being sworn into office. Standing by her husband during the ceremony was Cheryll LeBlanc.

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The Westland recipient will be invited to join other ATHENA Award recipients world-wide along with other business owners and professionals at the annual International ATHENA Leadership Conference in Chicago, Ill., in April.

Nominations can be made through Friday, Jan. 27. Nomination forms are available by contacting the Women of Westland at 5719 N. Berry, Westland, MI 48185 or by calling (734) 467-9113.

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## LIBRARY DIRECTOR

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alike, have commended library employees for keeping the facility running as smoothly as possible without a director.

"I think they're doing a marvelous job," Cook said.

Still, he said the employees deserve a top-notch director to help them make the facility even better. Cook said the library, which opened in November 1996 on Central City Parkway south of Warren, has been a tremendous asset to Westland.

"At a very deep level I am so grateful to that library," he said, "and I just want it to get better."

The library board has set a salary cap of \$84,864 for a new director. Patane was receiving \$70,000.

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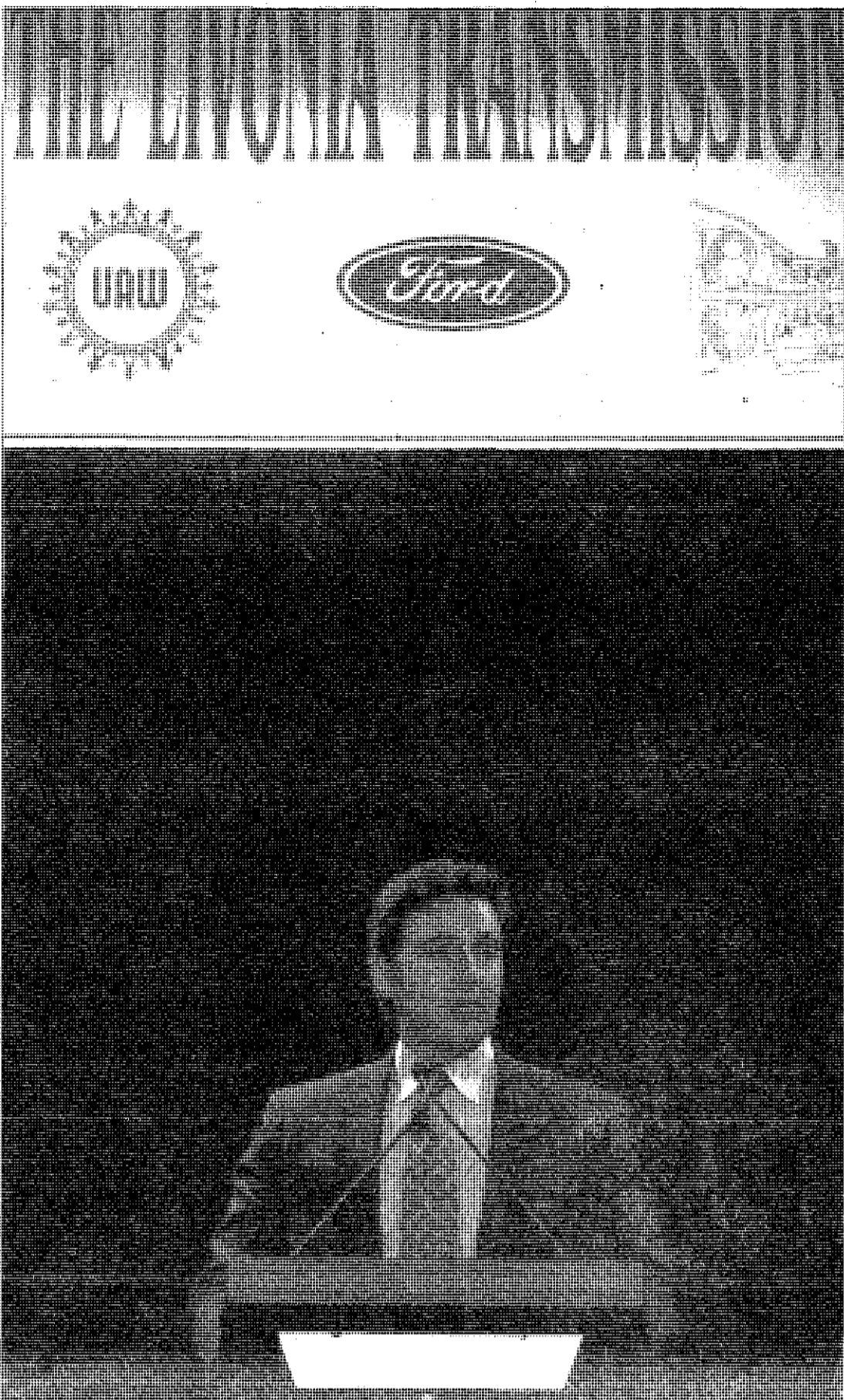
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# Ford to put \$88 million into Livonia plant



Mark Fields, executive vice-president for the Ford Motor Company and president, The Americas, discusses about the automaker's investment in southeast Michigan.

BY ALEX LUNDBERG  
STAFF WRITER

Ford Motor Co. executives, United Auto Worker representatives, government officials and several hundred Ford Livonia Transmission Plant employees gathered Tuesday morning to cheer an announcement of the investment of nearly \$1 billion in southeast Michigan Ford facilities.

The company will spend \$866 million to renovate and update auto plants in Livonia, Woodhaven, Wayne, Sterling Heights and two in Dearborn. The Livonia facility will receive \$88 million for expanded production of six-speed, rear-wheel transmissions.

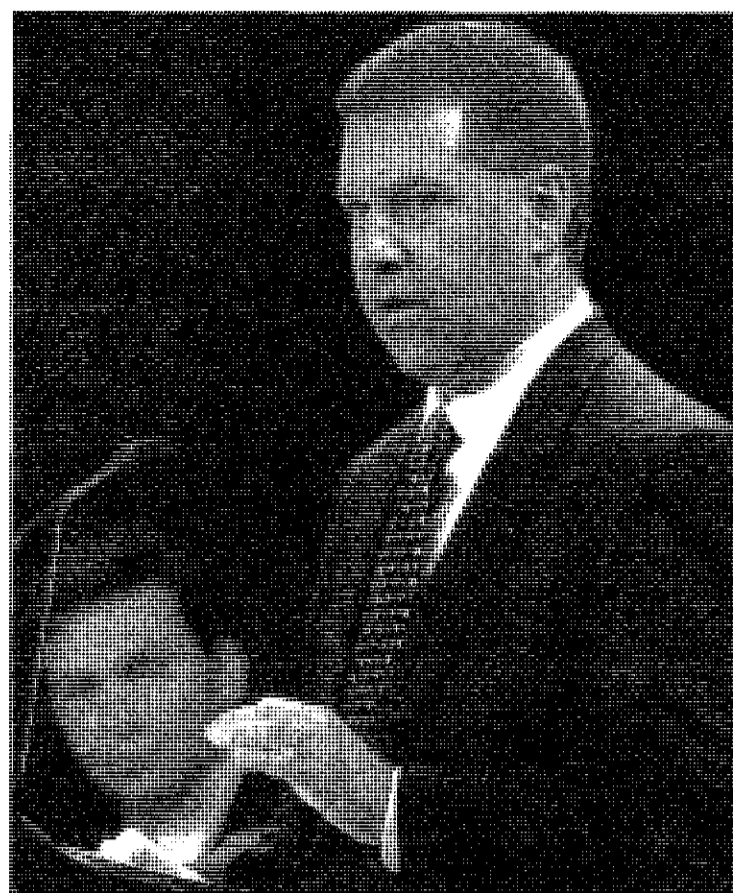
Ford executive Vice President Mark Fields said it was truly a great day. "Today we make good on our promise to celebrate a substantial investment in six Michigan plants," he said. "We're making a bold statement: Michigan is our home and we're giving our plants and people the opportunity to be the best and build the best vehicles in the country."

He said the investments also show that the company is interested in focused and strategic investments — not just cost containment — by investing in new product lines (small cars) while protecting its leadership in trucks.

This could not be done without the aid of state and local government officials, who will be providing tax abatements to make the projects happen.

"Ford is a major economic force in Michigan. Ninety-two percent of our research and development is spent here," Fields said. "We purchase \$22 billion from our Michigan partners. We are proud our Michigan roots run deep and we are serious about investing in new products and our collective futures."

Gov. Jennifer Granholm was expected to attend the event, but canceled due to the death of a family friend, James Epolito, president and CEO of the Michigan Economic Development Corp., said the



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Joseph Hinrichs, vice president, North America Manufacturing for the Ford Motor Company, talks about the investment of \$866 million dollars Ford is making in six southeast Michigan plants, including the Livonia Transmission Plant.

governor appreciates what the investment means to the state and what it says about Ford's presence here.

"When she announced the agreement in August, Gov. Granholm said there was no vision of Michigan's economic future that did not include Ford cars and truck design and production," Epolito said. "This company's investment of almost \$1 billion is a testament to the company's faith in Michigan."

He added that every job at a Ford plant represented three to four jobs in related businesses.

Livonia Mayor Jack Engbretson addressed the crowd, repeating the oft said statement of what a great day it was for the company, the state and the UAW.

"We're proud that we're hearing this news in this plant that is the economic engine that drives Livonia," he said. "One thing that makes this plant

great is that it's a model for cooperation between plant and UAW leadership. We are pleased and proud to be partners with them."

Gary Johnson is a Livonia resident and 20-year tool and die worker at the plant. As a resident as well as an employee, he's happy about the investment.

"We have good production and good innovation," he said. "It's nice to see the corporation feels the same way about us."

He said even with the new investment, the future is going to be different for the industry and Ford is going to have to adapt to survive.

"We need to respond to the market and give people what they want to buy," Johnson said. "We've always been optimistic, it's nice to see the company is taking concrete measures."

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## Benefit serves up Italian food, music

BY SUE MASON  
STAFF WRITER

The John Glenn High School Instrumental Music Program will offer an evening of good food and good music when it presents its annual Italian Feast Saturday, Jan. 20.

The fund-raiser will feature a dinner prepared by band parents and served by tuxedo-clad students. It will also showcase their musical talents in advance of the district solo and ensemble competition next month.

"We try to make it a classy event like what you would experience at a fine Italian restaurant," said Penny Gierak who is chairing the fund-raiser. "The students will wear the tuxedos that they wear for all of their performances. That's their attire for this event."

This is the fourth year that band boosters have sponsored the dinner, which will again be held at Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman, south of Ford, Garden City.

The event is a major fund-raiser for the Glenn's music program, and thanks to an ongoing partnership with Meijer of Westland, the boosters make almost a 100 percent profit. The money goes to provide music lessons, purchase instruments and support other

activities financed by the boosters' general fund.

Meijer is providing the food for the evening, which includes pasta with marinara and alfredo sauces, salad, bread sticks and cannolis.

"We've had just a great relationship with Meijer," Gierak said.

The Italian Feast will start at 5 p.m. and have Larry McConnell as master of ceremonies. McConnell is a former member of the John Glenn band. A retired Wayne-Westland educator, he and his wife have remained very active in the Glenn music program.

Tickets for the dinner are \$15 for adults and \$8 for children under age 12. They're available by calling (734) 595-0652.

The dinner has been a near sellout the past two years, and while boosters haven't set a goal on how much they'd like to raise, they are hoping for good weather, Gierak said.

"In three years, we've had three major snowstorms the day of the event," Gierak said. "The boosters have been joking that if it happens again this year we may have change the name next year. It may have to be the annual Italian Snow Feast."

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**PARK**

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at the Bailey Recreation Center. "We think the results bear out the fact of what we've been saying - that there doesn't appear to have been a health risk with folks at the park," Assistant Wayne County Executive Alan Helmkamp said Tuesday.

Officials haven't tried to minimize that one child's test indicated lead levels of 16 micrograms per deciliter - above the level of 10 that they say is a potential risk.

However, officials seemed encouraged that the blood samples didn't indicate large numbers of people with elevated levels of lead.

Officials have indicated that several other children's tests indicated trace amounts of lead, but nothing that would likely place them at risk of health problems.

After 12-year-old Matthew Waterkamp's finger-stick blood sample indicated that he had potentially high levels of lead, his mother took the Garden City boy to his pediatrician for further testing. She hopes to receive results by week's end.

Even before officials had received the results from 132 people, they had said they couldn't say with certainty that an elevated level of lead could be linked to using Central City Park.

But Matthew's grandmother, Georgia Becker of Westland, has said the family doesn't know of any other way the boy would have been exposed to lead.

Officials of the county-owned park hope to work with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality to develop an acceptable plan for cleaning up the partially contaminated site.

It wasn't clear this week when such a plan might be approved.

County health workers screened the 132 people on Dec. 6 and 13 at the Bailey Center.

Workers drew a tube of blood from adults and took samples from children by administering a capillary test - or a finger stick. The county sent the samples to a state health lab in Lansing for analysis.

Regarding Matthew, "since capillary lead levels are not diagnostic, the child's guardian was advised to have a venous sample tested" - meaning blood taken from a vein, according to Mike Morgan, deputy director for the Wayne County Health Department.

The county offered free lead tests after parents became upset that city and county officials kept quiet for years after learning that Central City Park had some areas contaminated by excessive lead levels.

Some parents have said that they should have been informed so they could make their own decisions about whether their children should play in the park.

Officials have indicated that the park won't be used this summer for typical programs like Little League baseball. They are searching for alternate spots for events.

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**TEAM**

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Buford and Rohraff moved into the post that Tom Wilson, former public service director, left in December for a similar job in Romulus.

On Tuesday, Wild said he will evaluate the community development and public service departments during the next 30 days while Carroll, Buford and Rohraff are serving as interim directors. Then, Wild indicated he will conduct interviews with potential candidates both inside and outside the city.

"At this point I'm just hoping to hire the best candidates," he said. Wild, himself, is serving on an

interim basis until voters choose a mayor in November. He was appointed by the Westland City Council after former Mayor Sandra Cicirelli became a district judge.

Brown, meanwhile, is a Westland John Glenn High School and University of Michigan graduate whose former duties with WLND included maintaining the city's Web site, responding to e-mails from citizens and on-air reporting.

"It is a tremendous honor to represent the mayor's office of the city in which I was raised," she said. "I embrace the challenges that lie ahead, and I look forward to the opportunity to be a part of a fantastic team."

Brown also was a former television producer for WJRT Channel 12 in

Flint and a reporter/producer for WLTX News 19 in Columbia, S.C. She also has represented Jaguar as a product specialist and narrator for the International Auto show for three years and has been a freelance writer for various publications.

Brown formerly served on the Westland Cable Commission and is a member of the Westland Youth Assistance Advisory Board.

When contacted Wednesday, council President Charles Pickering indicated support for Wild's appointments.

"As the mayor he certainly has the authority and the right to determine who his staff is going to be," Pickering said.

Pickering commended the job Brown has done at WLND and said

her job as deputy mayor "is an opportunity for her, and I wish her well."

Pickering and others have lauded the jobs that Wilson and Gilbert did in their respective positions, and Pickering said both positions will require hard work.

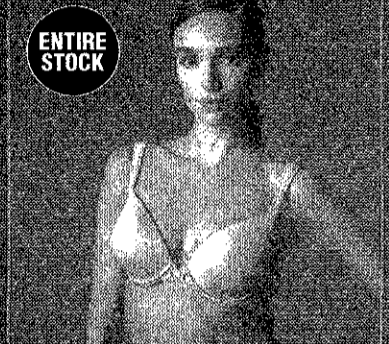
Referring to the interim appointees, he said, "I think they'll do well, and I know they have the best interests of the city in mind."

Wild hasn't set a deadline for removing the interim status from the community development and public service positions, saying he wants to take enough time to ensure he hires the best candidates.

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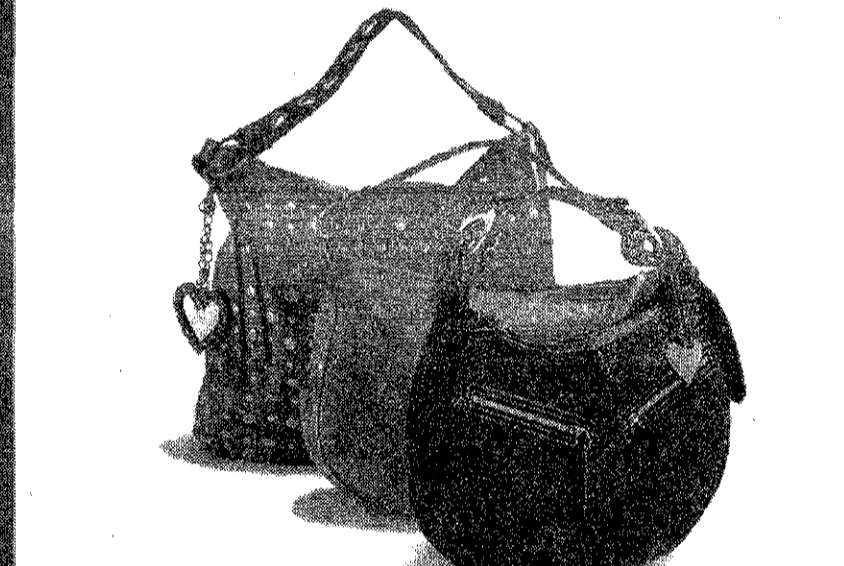


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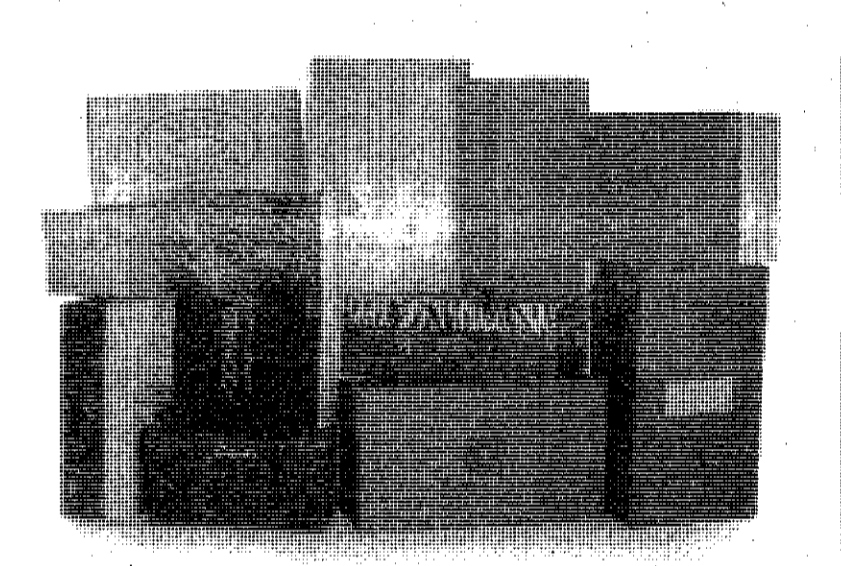


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OUR VIEWS

## Appointments are good for city

Last week was a momentous week in more ways than one for the city of Westland. The City Council, for the first time ever, selected one of its own, William Wild, to replace Sandra Cicirelli as mayor and two individuals — Dewey Reeves and Bill Johnson — to fill vacancies created by Richard LeBlanc's departure for the state House and Wild's appointment.

It had long been rumored that Wild would replace Cicirelli, who is now a judge in 18th District Court, but as with politics, nothing is definite until the last vote is counted.

We believe the council made an excellent choice with Wild. He has proven to be a voice of reason on the council and there should be no doubt about his ability to lead this city. He already has demonstrated he is not afraid to make the difficult choices with his quick and decisive move to close Central City Park completely. The park's contamination problem won't go away overnight and until a decision is made on its cleanup, the appropriate response was to erect fencing around the entire complex, putting it out of bounds to all residents.

We also believe the council was correct in selecting Reeves to fill LeBlanc's seat. He is the first African American to serve on council since William Anderson, who left 32 years ago. His strong background in law enforcement brings a safety perspective to the table. His appointment also brings much needed diversity to the council.

Johnson also is a good choice. As a UAW official, he brings a strong working knowledge of unions and union issues to the council table. He also has been a strong supporter of local organizations, helping to raise much-needed money for such groups as the Westland Goodfellows.

And when paired with Reeves, the two men also provide a voice for residents living south of Cherry Hill, something LeBlanc had done as the only council member who lived south of the thoroughfare.

We congratulate the three men on their selections. The city continues to face challenges in the new year, and while there will be a learning curve, we believe they are up to the challenges ahead.

## Ficano's Cobo plan is valuable 1st step

It's that special time of the year when Detroit spreads its peacock feathers to proclaim itself the Motor City again. Cobo Center will play host Jan. 13-21 to the North American International Auto Show.

The auto show is meant to be our premier event, but it is quickly being overshadowed by auto shows in Los Angeles, Paris, Chicago and Tokyo. Certainly the increased competition from foreign automakers contributes to the show's loss of luster. But another major factor is the inadequate and aging Cobo facility.

Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano has proposed a \$968 million plan that would add 270,000 square feet of exhibition, demolish Cobo Arena and reorganize the center's layout. He proposes funding the project by a 35-year extension of the hotel-liquor taxes. He also proposes that management of the center be transferred from the city of Detroit to a regional governing board.

Ficano's proposal recognizes the importance of Cobo Center to the future of Detroit and its metro area. The auto show is the largest annual exhibition at Cobo, but a renovated center will help spur the ongoing renovation of downtown Detroit from Wayne State University to the riverfront. A new Cobo Center will attract other major conventions and exhibitions, which will in turn contribute to Detroit's revival.

Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson has said he supports efforts to renovate Cobo, but has concerns about the proposed 35-year extension of the hotel tax, originally approved in 1985 to pay for bonds to expand Cobo Center. He's said that a short-term five- or seven-year extension would be more acceptable. He also raises legitimate questions about whether "stakeholders" in funding the proposal should be expanded from Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties to include the state of Michigan, Washtenaw, Livingston, St. Clair and Monroe counties and, as major beneficiaries of a healthy Cobo Center, the Detroit auto companies. We agree they need to be players in an issue that is important to the region. State funding has gone to similar projects in other cities, such as the DeVos Place Convention Center in Grand Rapids.

Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick has praised Ficano for taking a lead position on this issue, but he also has concerns about support from outside the city and about how the city would be compensated for a transfer from city to a regional board.

Ficano's plan is not a done deal and there are many legitimate concerns about the details, but he has made a strong opening proposal. Now it's time for Patterson, Kilpatrick, Gov. Jennifer Granholm and others to come to the table and work out a final proposal that will get the job done.

The success of downtown Detroit and its ability to continue as a vibrant urban center is important to everyone in this region and a world-class exhibition center downtown is vital to that success.



Geoff Brooks

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LETTERS

### Evans cared for her city

In the past, for decades, a familiar sight at council meetings were two city watchdogs flanking the center aisle in front row seats in the council chambers. Their seats never had nameplates nor did they need any, all knew not to sit in them, for they would be occupied before the start of the meeting by Mildred Evans and Dorothy W. Smith.

Dorothy Smith passed away a year ago this month. Mrs. Evans was born in Kentucky on Oct. 3, 1916, and migrated to Michigan in the mid 1940s. She passed Jan. 5 this year. Burial will be in Williamsburg, Ky., this week.

She was a charter member of the Wayne Ford Civic League, an Eastern Star member, and at one time served on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

It was May 25, 1960, that Mrs. Evans became a member of the Order of the Eastern Star in the Nankin Chapter, and in 1997 was unanimously elected a Life Member.

She was appointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals in December 1989, and served until 1997. Actually, it was Mrs. Smith who insisted she get on ZBA.

Some concerns of Mrs. Evans were more people on the police force. This writer was questioned as to how many police were on the force when we became a city in 1966 and the current number. I flunked the quiz. Other concerns were safety of children, living conditions at her apartment, and the Wayne Ford Civic League.

After she was unable to attend council meetings due to health reasons, you knew she watched them all on television. Phone calls would go out, if she was in disagreement with things said at the meetings. Since the majority of my comments would be about historical matters, she told me more than once in no uncertain terms not to be spending money on fixing up the Rowe House or the Octagon House at the Museum Complex, but use the money for the children and more police officers.

There is no denying that Mildred Evans cared for her city. Mildred Evans and Dorothy W. Smith were known by many residents in our community and will be remembered by all who knew them.

For more reading on Mildred Evans see the *Westland Observer* newspaper dated Jan. 7, 2007, Page 3A, titled, *Mildred Evans: Longtime city watchdog dies*.

Ruth Dale  
Westland

### Paving park not answer

No longer can I sit quietly by while the Citizens for Frontier Park wage their campaign to deforest our city. Thinking that project had been permanently set aside by our city government, I had not written. Now, here it is again, as front page headlines.

As an aside, I wonder, how many of the general population would test positive for lead contamination? Is there any PROOF that the ones tested were even contaminated AT THE PARK? Take a look at a recent article in the October 2006 issue of *National Geographic*, titled "The Chemicals Within Us." Toxic chemicals are everywhere.

Why do we continue to deforest our city? The woods, which these people would destroy, are a haven for wildlife — like the deer which crossed Marquette in front of

our car last week. It is an aviary, providing us with songbirds. It is one of few refuges left for other wild animals, who with each subdivision built, find it harder to live. This brings them to our decks for shelter or to our garbage cans for foraging food. Let them have their place.

Last spring as a part of a "Million Trees, Million Dreams" project sponsored by my company (Shaklee), I was able to distribute more than 2,750 White Pine seedlings in our area. Several elementary schools, scout troops, Westland Park and Recreation and other interested groups joined me in this project. It will take several years for these seedlings to mature.

A local church, while adding to the building, was required by the city (Westland) to replace a lovely wooded area with a drainage pond. Then an additional requirement was to plant an equal number of trees. These seedlings can NEVER replace that full grown stand.

We need our trees! They clean the air we breathe. (Who wants to walk around the park smelling more asphalt and breathing all those chemicals?) They provide shade which helps with temperature control. They add beauty to the area. They provide a sound barrier.

PLEASE, SAY NO TO DEFORESTING ANOTHER 30 ACRES OF WESTLAND!!!

If we have to spend the money, let's clean up the park! But first, how about a more thorough study as to just WHERE the lead is, how deep it goes, and make the study public!

Natalie Thurmond  
Westland

### Get rid of machine

I have lived here in Westland for 38 years. Over the years, my husband and I have worked hard to get good people in office (not machines) as we did in Detroit for 19 years before coming to Westland.

I am just heartbroken with what is going on. Now I feel like I'm back in the 1980s. I think Nancy Neal would have been the person to take care of the machine.

Marge Connors  
Westland

### A more balanced council

According to an article in the Jan. 7 *Westland Observer*, newly elected Mayor Wild has ordered all of the Central City Park closed off with a chain-linked fence to keep people away from the partially contaminated site and pledged he would be forthcoming with the public about the park situation.

I have a question for you, Mayor: If you feel it is so necessary to take this action now, why didn't you challenge former Mayor Cicirelli when she didn't seal off all off the entire park and question her reasons for keeping this information a secret?

My opinion is that you and the other three councilmen — Charles Pickering, James Godbout and Michael Kehrer — were nothing more than rubber stamps for the former mayor. I believe now with Messrs. Johnson and Reeves there will be a more balanced council, and there will finally be some checks and balances of the administration. I also believe they have too much integrity and no political agenda to be a part of any backroom deals.

If Mayor Wild is truly sincere about his

concerns for the citizens, any department head who is proven to have kept the contamination a secret should be fired immediately.

Shirley Tenney  
Westland

### Residents' right to know

My name is Jasmine and I am writing to you about the issue concerning lead at Central City Park. As a resident of Westland, I was shocked when I heard the news. I used to go to this park as a child all the time and I still go there every year for the Fourth of July fireworks.

I read in a few articles published about this issue that some local officials knew about this problem for years before letting the public know. I think that's horrible, as residents of this city we should have a right to know what is going on. Children play at this park regularly!

Lead poisoning can lead to many serious health problems, some of which are headaches, memory problems, learning disabilities, hearing loss, vomiting, abdominal pains, weight loss and many more. It's said that no one who uses the park should face any serious health threats. Let's just hope that's true.

I understand that the pond is now being tested for lead and that some of the areas around the park were tested and came back negative. I also understand that free blood tests were given. I think that's great. However, I don't understand why the park wasn't tested on a regular basis and why did it take so long for the public to be notified?

I appreciate your time and I hope you can help me better understand this issue. Like I said before, as a resident of this city, I have a right to know. Thank you.

Jasmine Sarkis  
Westland

### Get president out of office

It is time to get Bush out of office. What a sad last six years we have had. Loss of jobs everywhere, the war in Iraq and a president who does not care what 61 percent of people are saying to him. He should have never been voted into office the first time and the second time, I feel it was fixed!

Judith Tarjett  
Westland

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"Sometimes she had more information than any of us had collectively. When she had questions, she might already have the answers. Those were her good days."

City Council President Charles Pickering about the late Mildred Evans, a longtime watchdog of government in Westland.

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# Great racial divide creates opportunity for community

As a resident of the city of Livonia, I have been distressed and disappointed at how our city has been portrayed in the media and by what I have heard and witnessed around the Detroit area. During the show *Racial Divide*, shown and produced by WTVS (the local public television station), Livonia was mentioned at least three times as the "white" antithesis to



Frank Kalinski

"black" Detroit. Urban myth, like ancient mythology, has a basis in fact and, repeated over time, becomes "truth."

Two themes came out during the show: "Black rage" about slavery and "white" indifference to that rage. Whites say, "get over it, it was a long time ago," while blacks are feeling, "you just don't get over something like that." I believe this is the raging river that has washed out the bridges.

I view this time and place as a tremendous opportunity for our city.

Try to put yourself back in time: Kidnapped from your family and village in Africa. Young men, boys, women and girls chained in the hold of a boat for weeks living in vomit and excrement. People you don't know or understand dying all around you.

Once back on land, you are sold like cattle and shipped off to live on a plantation with random others from Africa. You find a wife or husband and have some children, only to have your son ripped from your arms and sold, never to be seen again. Your daughter becomes the favorite of the master when she just reaches puberty. She is raped and becomes pregnant with his child before she is 14. Your wife is "bred" with other men as your owner tries to breed better slaves.

This basic functional unit of humanity, the family, was systematically torn apart by slavery; not once, but generation after generation. This is the history of blacks in America. This is black rage. And no, it's not something you can just "get over."

But what about Livonia? How do we fit into this?

What we as Livonians, in our special place that we have carved out for ourselves, need to do is acknowledge this

generational trauma. We must acknowledge the terrible events of the past still have deep, hurting meaning for black Americans today.

This is our stone to lug. It is white America's responsibility and duty to reach across these generations of racial divide that split our country spiritually.

The pathology of adults that were abused as children can be used as a template to study this problem. It is universally understood that children that have grown up in an abusive household tend to demonstrate self-destructive behavior. Drug and alcohol abuse, low education rates, single parenthood, abortions and inability to form long-term family relationships. Sounds a lot like the black experience in America, doesn't it?

For these adults who were abused as children, the first step in reordering their lives is to move out of this denial that their parents, family or church terribly mistreated them. To give up this "family tradition of lies" is extremely difficult and most never do it. This tradition of lies is handed down father to son to son. Healing and understanding cannot be had until these ugly and embarrassing truths are spoken.

Practically, as the "whitest" city in America, we could do this: the mayor, city council, board of education, Sen. Anderson, state Rep. Pastor and Gov. Granholm as our elected representatives from Livonia must write a joint resolution that:

- Recognizes this generational trauma and the impact it still has on blacks in America today.

- Recognizes we are the generation that will reach out to cleanse these ancient wounds.

- Recognizes that slavery is the systematic destruction of human beings and family and this legacy has, and will continue to have, a huge impact on our country today.

- Recognizes family stability and literacy are "self-evident God given rights" that build true "freedom" for all human beings.

- Recognizes education and literacy as the institutions that are the stitches and salve that will close and heal these wounds.

Frank Kalinski is a Livonia resident.

## Missed some students

I read your article in Sunday's Westland Observer. You did a nice job explaining the People to People Program and introducing some exceptional students accepted into this program.

However, you failed to note that there are other exceptional students in this area that were also accepted into the People to People program, my daughter being one of them. She has been working hard on getting area companies to sponsor her trip with the promise of promoting them in her "local paper."

Highlighting other area students, without mentioning her or her sponsors is rather insulting to those companies that have agreed to help my daughter out. My daughter's name is Amy Rodeman. She lives in Westland and attends Churchill High School. She is a member of the MSC "gifted students" curriculum at Churchill, is active in sports, school clubs, community activities and her church.

She has been accepted as one of a group of high school student ambassadors who also are making a separate trip to China. It would be nice to have as extensive an article done on her as was done on the three middle school students. I also noticed that this is the second time these students have been in your paper since Amy's acceptance.

You might also be interested in the following listing of other area students that will be accompanying Amy on her trip abroad:

Zac Gizicki, Westland, Churchill High School; Nick Fenner, Westland, Franklin High School; Jessica Jajko, Westland, Franklin High School; Jalesa Earby, Westland, Robichaud High School; Jessica Eaves, Westland, Wayne Memorial High School; Zach Ermat, Westland, John Glenn High School; Keiara Stevenson, Westland, Henry Ford Academy; Ryan Stevenson, Livonia, Churchill High School; Mary Vetula, Livonia, Franklin High School; Heather Dunn, Redford, Thurston High School; Alison Fletcher, Redford, Thurston High School; Michael McClendon, Redford, Thurston High School, and Jake Opificius, Redford, Redford Union High School.

There are an additional 30 students from the surrounding areas which, I don't believe, are areas included in your subscriber area.

I hope to hear from you concerning promoting my daughter's accomplishments and her attempts at fund-raising her trip. In addition, I think some area businesses may be waiting also.

Joanne Rodeman  
Westland

## Stripping voters of rights

Now that Michigan's elites have failed to persuade voters (utilizing a 5-1 spending advantage and enjoying near-universal media support) of the benefits of race and gender preferences, they are predictably turning to the courts to try to strip the voters of their rights.

Following the example of elites in other states, U-M President Mary Coleman has promised to squander tax dollars of the voting majority in 80 out of 83 counties by trying to reverse and prevent their basic democratic rights. It is the very elites like Coleman, I have noticed, who opposed Proposition 2 and support sex- and race-based preferences for the masses that have little, if any, effect on themselves.

## LETTERS

These people are many of our CEOs, university presidents, politicians, etc., who have the clout, connections and privileges, including legacy admissions, that allow them to achieve their specific goals by circumventing and opting out of the normal process required of ordinary citizens. The average voter saw through their duplicity and hypocrisy and voted to treat all people equally under the law.

However, in the future, the voters must also conduct proper due diligence on future university regents candidates to verify their position on these issues to prevent the voters' principles being challenged and their wishes thwarted all utilizing the voters' own tax dollars.

Jim Runestad  
Waterford

## Letter writer wrong

While the great efforts by the *O&E Newspapers* to represent numerous peoples' opinions in columns and letters to the editor must be applauded, and realizing that not every piece of information can be checked prior to publication, I still felt it necessary to correct some items appearing as facts in an extensive letter to the editor by a Dave Dobias from Canton ("Speak for yourself," Nov. 30).

Commenting on Terry Ahwal's column "There can be no winners from war and occupation," Mr. Dobias twists the words of Ms. Ahwal throughout the entire piece, but the most glaring mistakes were the following:

1. Citing Israel's occupation of Palestinian lands as "defensive" to suicide bombings and rocket attacks. The Israeli occupation started in June, 1967, well preceding the first Palestinian suicide bombing almost 27 years later on April 6, 1994. The rocket attacks didn't even start till years after 1994. Note: this first suicide bombing in 1994, was in response to the Hebron Massacre by Israeli settler Baruch Goldstein. For more info on this, see Human Rights Watch report, www.hrw.org/reports/2002/isrlpa/ISRAELPA1002-05.htm.

2. Citing a Hamas and Hezbollah-supported insurgency in Iraq. Hamas is a Palestinian organization, Hezbollah is a Lebanese one. Neither one has any proven ties whatsoever to the Iraqi insurgency at all. Both were created in response to Israel's occupation of Palestinian and Lebanese lands and do not have a common ideology with Al-Qaeda as Dobias implies.

3. The Kurds in northern Iraq putting down an insurgency. There was never an insurgency in the Kurdish area of northern Iraq to begin with. This Kurdish area came under international protection after the first Gulf War in 1991.

4. The rhetorical question of Hamas and Hezbollah being both Shiite organizations. This indicates the lack of knowledge by Mr. Dobias of the situation; Hamas is a Sunni group, not a Shia one. There is actually no significant Shia population in Palestine.

5. Twisting Ms. Ahwal's words related to the soldiers serving in Iraq is really inexcusable. It is obvious that when she states our soldiers have given up their voices, it refers to the voices following the military chain of command and following their duties as good soldiers do. Therefore, it is absolutely our duty to speak out on behalf of our soldiers as Ms. Ahwal does, when the government sends them to combat based on lies.

Rifat Audeh  
London, Ontario

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# January is the time to get your financial house in order



Money Matters

Rick Bloom

With the New Year, we all feel refreshed and make resolutions to ourselves to do things better this year than we did last year. One of the New Year's res-

olutions we all make is that this will be the year to get and keep our financial house in order. To me, this is one of the most important resolutions because if you did keep your financial house in order, it certainly would make life easier. I recognize being involved with your personal financial affairs may seem burdensome; however, it is the only hobby I know of that can actually make you money as opposed to cost-

ing you money. In addition, being actively involved with your financial affairs is not that difficult. There are a few steps that everyone needs to follow this time of year that can help achieve your financial goal. The first step along the way is to do a family balance sheet. A family balance sheet is a relatively straight-forward document. It is nothing more than a listing of all your assets and li-

abilities. By doing a family balance sheet, it allows you to determine your net worth (assets less liabilities) and it also allows you to see exactly what you have. Particularly, from a standpoint of liabilities, knowing what your liabilities are including their terms and conditions such as interest rates and how interest is calculated, will allow you to develop a strategy to better eliminate your debt. One advantage of doing a

family balance sheet is that it allows you to look at your progress from a financial standpoint on a year-to-year basis. In preparing a family balance sheet, one issue that always comes up is: how do you value items such as your home and collectibles? To me, you have to be realistic as to those values. After all, if you are overvaluing your home, you are only fooling yourself. The reality is that the way you

value an asset is what the item could sell for. For your house, it is what other homes in your area are selling for. Using the Internet can help you get a realistic value of your home. Another important document to prepare that helps with your finances is a cash-flow statement. A cash-flow statement is a listing of what money has come in and where that money goes. It is amazing to me how many people have no idea as to where they spend their money. You should have an understanding of what comes in and what goes out. By having a handle on in-flows and out-flows, it allows you to make adjustments and be in better position to be more efficient with your money. Particularly, in today's busy world, it is not unusual for husband and wife never to have an idea how each other spends money. By doing a cash-flow statement, it will allow everyone to know where money is going so that adjustments can be made where necessary.

I recognize that it is sometimes difficult to do a cash-flow statement, particularly for the whole year, however, even if you do it over the last month or last quarter, it will go a long way in helping you be in better contact with your money. The reason why this is such a great time of year to get your financial house in order is not just because it is the New Year and we all feel rejuvenated, it is also because it is easy to get most of the information you need to prepare a family balance sheet and a cash-flow statement.

Over the next few weeks, you are going to receive a variety of statements from your financial institutions, and this is the bulk of the information that you need to complete the aforementioned documents. Therefore, this is the perfect time of year to make good on your resolution of getting and keeping your financial house in order. After all, when you get your financial house in order, you are the beneficiary.

People who control their finances, as opposed to letting their finances control them, find that they end up having more money in their pocket, exactly where it belongs. Good luck!

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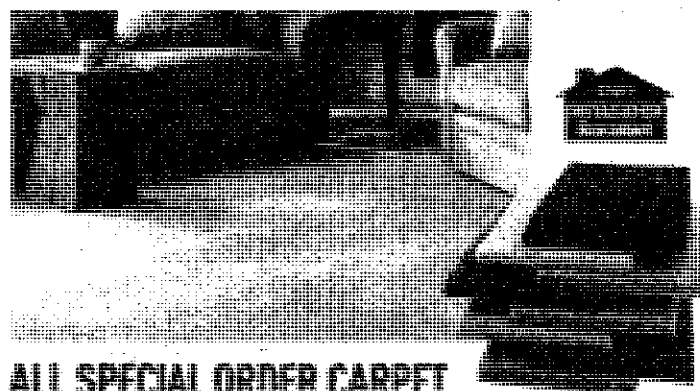
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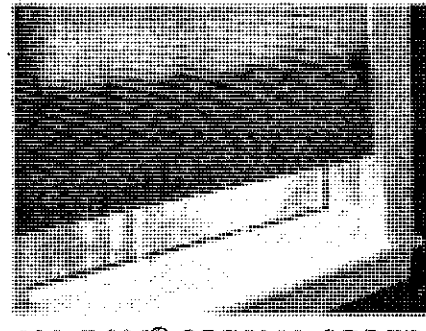
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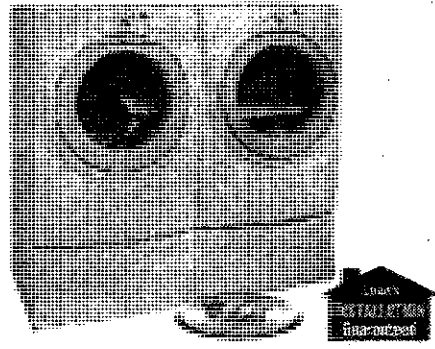


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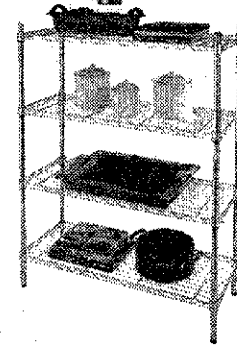
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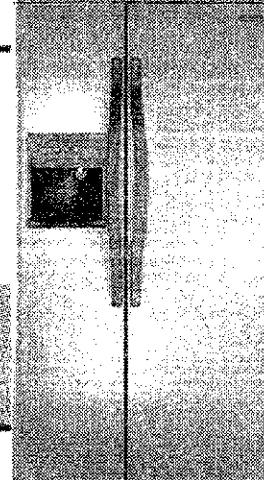
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## Schoolcraft College board election scheduled for May 8

Three incumbents are seeking to retain their seats on the seven-member Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees. An election is scheduled for Tuesday, May 8.

Local residents who wish to run for one of the three seats have until Feb. 13 to file with the Livonia City Clerk's office.

Mary Breen and Brian D. Broderick are candidates for reelection. Joan A. Gebhardt, appointed by the board in December to fill the last six months of a vacated term, will run for election to a new term.

The board holds regularly scheduled monthly meetings as well as special meetings as necessary. There is no compensation for these elected positions.

To be included on the ballot, candidates must submit an affidavit of identity. They also must submit an official nominating petition or, in lieu of the petition, pay a \$100 non-refundable nomination fee.

Candidates who choose to submit a petition must secure a minimum of 40, but not more than 100, signatures of individuals who are registered voters and residents of the Schoolcraft district. The signatures must be recorded on an official nominating petition which may be obtained from the Livonia City Clerk's office or the Schoolcraft College President's Office.

The affidavit of identity, as well as the official nominating petition or filing fee payment, must be received at the office of the Livonia City Clerk, 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia, Michigan 48154, by 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 13.



# Car of the Year

## Saturn dealer not surprised by Aura's selection

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

When the Saturn Aura was announced Sunday as North American Car of the Year at the start of the 2007 North American International Auto Show, one person who wasn't surprised was Ron MacEachern.

The reason: the Aura is the same vehicle that helped make MacEachern's Saturn of Troy the top-selling Saturn dealership in the U.S. last year.

"We're the number one Saturn dealer in the country, primarily due to Aura sales," MacEachern said. "Even before they announced the Car of the Year, we'd been delivering a ton of them. We delivered 170 last month alone."

General Motors walked away with top honors as the Aura won Car of the Year and the Chevrolet Silverado was named Truck of the Year.

Voting for the two awards was done by 49 writers and broadcasters in the U.S. and Canada who devote their professional time to reviewing new vehicles.

"This is a great day for General Motors," Jill Lajdziak, general manager of Saturn, said after accepting the award.

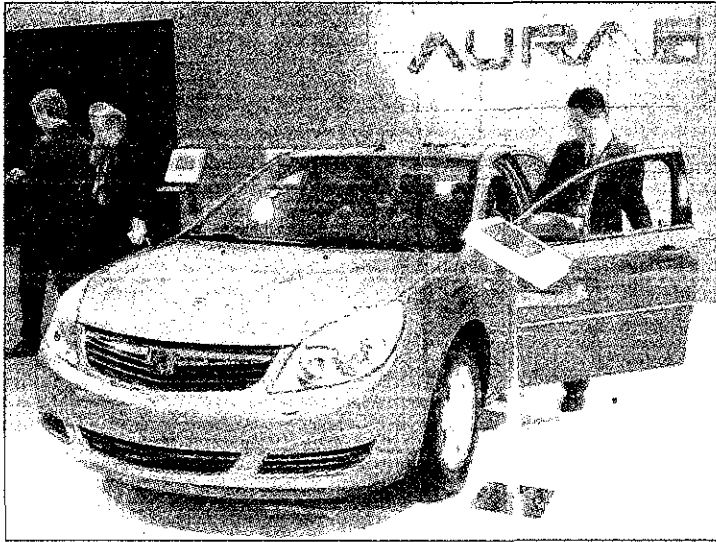
"You've seen us come into the marketplace 16 years ago, limited production portfolio, and we led the industry in a terrific customer experience that remains today," Lajdziak said.

The mid-size Aura beat out two other finalists, the Toyota Camry and the Honda Fit.

MacEachern said winning the top award should boost Saturn sales even more.

"There's a certain status that goes with driving the Car of the Year, especially if you've already purchased one," MacEachern said. "The Aura gives Saturn an opportunity to compete on a fair playing field, and it's the first time in history that we can compete with the Toyota Camry and the Honda Accord."

"I think people have come to expect Honda and Toyota to compete for Car of the Year," he



JOHN STORMZAND | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

The Saturn Aura was named car of the year at the North American International Auto Show.

### AT A GLANCE

**What:** North American International Auto Show

**Where:** Cobo Conference/Exhibition Center in downtown Detroit

**When:** Public Show Days Jan. 13-20, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. (no admittance after 9 p.m.); Sunday, Jan. 21, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. (no admittance after 6 p.m.)

**How much:** Adult, \$12; Senior Citizen (65 and older) and children 7-12, \$6; children under 6 admitted free with parent

**Getting there:** Shuttle service available at the Detroit Zoo and Greenfield Village Jan. 13-15 and Jan. 20-21, every 20 minutes to Cobo Center, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., and from Cobo 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. Last departures Jan. 21 from the Detroit Zoo and Greenfield Village will be 5 p.m. and from Cobo Center at 9 p.m. Parking is \$5 and round trip for the shuttle bus is \$4 per person. Tickets can be purchased on-site at the Zoo and Greenfield Village.

**Downtown Shuttles:** Shuttle services downtown will run Jan. 13-15 and Jan. 20-21, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. every 15 minutes. The Greektown shuttle will run from southbound Beaubien, between Monroe and Lafayette to Cobo Center on northbound Cass, between Congress and Fort. The Joe Louis shuttle will run from the west side of Joe Louis Arena to Cobo Center on the south side of Cobo Hall. Cost is 50 cents one-way, exact change can be paid to the driver.

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added. "An exception is when a domestic car is named because of the expectations of the imports."

The Chevrolet Silverado topped the Ford Edge and Mazda CX-7 to capture Truck of the Year honors.

"We at Chevrolet have felt we have the best truck out there in the new Silverado," said Ed Peper, general manager of Chevrolet. "This validation is every encouraging, and we are

very, very honored to receive this award."

James Schram, sales manager at Gordon Chevrolet in Garden City, said the Silverado award has already created a buzz.

"We've been getting calls and showroom activity from people who want to take a look and drive it to see what it's all about," said Schram, who lives in Canton Township.

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## Athens Coney serves up a Detroit tradition

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Pete Mitchell, the owner of Athens Coney Island in Royal Oak, was kept busy Monday and Tuesday at the North American International Auto Show, serving a Detroit tradition to members of the media during press preview days.

Mitchell, a Berkley resident, has had a different perspective on the Detroit auto show since 1999, when he was hired by General Motors to serve one of Detroit's finest culinary refinements to journalists around the world who visited the GM display.

Mitchell and his crew served 2,000 Detroit-style coney islands — including chili, cheese, onions and mustard — with French fries, which has become a tradition at the show after a suggestion by one of Mitchell's best customers.

"It happened through a gentleman named Bill O'Neill, director of GM communications, who is a very longtime customer at the restaurant," Mitchell



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For two hours Monday and Tuesday GM hired Athens Coney Island to serve hot dogs at the auto show. They were expected to hand out between 1,000 and 1,200 each day. Left to right, Athina Mitchell, Beverly Hills, Howard Shock, St. Clair Shores and Pete Mitchell, owner of the Athens.

said. "It was a match made in heaven."

"General Motors also headquarters at the restaurant on Dream Cruise night," he said.

Athens Coney Island has been in business on Woodward Avenue, south of 14 Mile Road in Royal Oak, since 1963.

Mitchell's set-up at the GM display is very similar to his restaurant, from equipment Mitchell said he specified for the portable outings.

Mitchell said the coney get a good reception by the

media.

"When we open for lunch, we have a line from the opening to the closing," Mitchell said. "We go non-stop for two hours."

Mitchell said he also likes the opportunity to see the auto show in a different perspective.

"It's really a unique experience," Mitchell said. "It's an opportunity to see the auto show unlike the public sees it, with the press. We get to walk the show when no one is here."

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## Blue Dot callers now being redirected

BY REBECCA JONES  
STAFF WRITER

Calls to 1-800-BLUE-DOT won't go unanswered even though the Livonia-based heating and cooling company the number belongs to has apparently called it quits.

"I do know 100 percent that this company is not going to be answering their phones ever again," said Steve Bez, a manager at Mastercraft Heating & Cooling on Six Mile west of Beech Daly. Calls to Blue Dot Service's toll-free line have been redirected to Mastercraft since Friday, Jan. 5, when Bez called the former competitor and made the request.

Blue Dot went out of business in mid-December. Employees were laid off Dec. 11. Customers with long-term service contracts, who paid upfront to have their furnaces and air conditioning systems inspected, report that they started noticing problems getting work done in early fall.

Blue Dot, which operated as Bergstrom's, Cherry Hill and Kast before consolidating, has other local phone numbers as well. Calls to those phone numbers are answered with a recording and will not be redirected.

Bez said he received about 20 calls from former Blue Dot customers Monday, mostly with requests for routine furnace inspection.

Bez said technicians will perform the \$60 service for free if they are in the area.

He said he is also working with furnace manufacturers to see if Mastercraft can honor customers' warranties.

Bez said he has known Blue Dot was in trouble since October, but does not know what went wrong.

He added that as bill collectors catch up with the company, "There's going to be a point where that phone number's going to be turned off."

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## Students invited to join youth band

Motor City Brass Band is looking for teens interested in joining a new ensemble for brass and percussion players ages 15-22.

The Motor City Youth Brass Band is being formed to provide high quality instruction and performance opportunities for students throughout the Detroit metropolitan area.

The youth band's first open rehearsal will be 6-9 p.m. this evening (Jan. 11), at the Clarenceville High School Auditorium, 20155 Middlebelt in Livonia. There are no tryouts, and there is no cost to join the band. The band will rehearse 7-9 p.m. Thursday evenings. The initial season will run through May 20.

Youth brass band

members will have the opportunity to attend master classes and workshops with guest soloists and professional clinicians, including Woody English, trumpet soloist for the U.S. Army Band. The band also will perform concerts on March 25 and May 20 at Shriner's Auditorium in Southfield.

The youth band will supplement current band programs and serve as an outlet for students whose schools do not offer music classes. The music will vary from classical to rock to traditional and everything in between.

Brad Liably, director of bands at Lincoln High School in Warren, and Erin Hufford, assistant director of bands at

Algonac Public Schools, will direct the band. Tom Shaner will serve as artistic advisor.

Brian Jobin, a Motor City Brass Band percussionist, is helping spearhead the youth brass band.

"I would love to have been in a band like this when I was a student," Jobin said. "It's free music education, a chance to make awesome music, and a way to meet other kids interested in the same thing. How perfect is that?"

More information and an application form can be found at the Motor City Brass Band Web Site, [www.mcybb.org](http://www.mcybb.org), or call Jobin at (734) 626-4464. He also can be reached by e-mail at [bjobin@gmail.com](mailto:bjobin@gmail.com).

## Open house

St. Damian will hold a Preschool-Kindergarten Open House 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 16th. St. Damian is at 29891 Joy, Westland. Parents interested in enrolling their children, will be able to do so during the open house.

For more information, call (734) 427-1680 or visit the school's Web site at [www.stdamian.com](http://www.stdamian.com).

## Job shadowing

The Westland Chamber of Commerce is looking for business partners to participate in its annual Job Shadowing Day Thursday, Feb. 8.

The event is a joint program between the Westland Chamber of Commerce and the Wayne-Westland Community Schools and is designed to give high school students the opportunity to visit businesses and get a first-hand look at what it takes to succeed in the workplace.

The goal of this half-day event is to give students the informal experience they need to make smart career choices, according to Chamber President Lori Brist.

Participants will be assigned one or two students to shadow them for three hours. Students will be picked up at the William D. Ford Career Technical Center, 36455 Marquette, at 7:45 a.m. and returned there at noon for lunch and a wrap-up of the day's event. The cost for the lunch is \$5, and participants will be responsible for covering the cost of their student's lunch.

For more information, call Lori at the chamber (734) 326-7222.

## Surplus food

The City of Westland will distribute frozen beef, rice and tomato sauce this month as part of its surplus federal food program.

Residents living north of Michigan Avenue can pick up their food 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 18, at the Dorsey Community Center, 32715 Dorsey.

Residents living south of Michigan Avenue can pick up their food the third Monday of the month at St. James United Methodist Church, 30055 Annapolis, between Henry Ruff and Middlebelt.

And senior citizens living in Taylor

## AROUND WESTLAND

Towers should call their building manager for the day of their distribution at the apartment complex.

For more information, call the Dorsey Center surplus food hotline at (734) 595-0366.

## Calling Young Marines

The Wayne County Young Marines, a not-for-profit youth education program for boys and girls ages 8-18, is forming its next recruit platoon starting Jan. 23. Meetings are 6-7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at First Baptist Church of Wayne, 36125 Glenwood, Wayne.

The organization's mission is to strengthen the lives of America's youth by teaching the importance of self-confidence, academic achievement, honoring veterans, good citizenship, physical fitness, community service, and a healthy, drug-free lifestyle. It's directed by volunteer veteran Marines and parents.

For more information, call (734) 788-6667 or visit the Web site at [www.wcy Marines.org/](http://www.wcy Marines.org/).

## Competition

Boys and girls of all faiths and ages 9-14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2007 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship.

The local competition will be held at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21, at St. Thomas à Becket Church, 555 S. Lilley Road, Canton.

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship is sponsored annually with winners progressing through local, district and state competition. International champions are announced by the K of C international headquarters based on scores from the state-level competitions.

Local contestants will compete in respective age divisions and will be recognized for their participation in the event. Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent.

For entry forms or additional information, call Lou Brochner at (734) 453-7684. Preregistration will be available at St. Thomas à Becket after all weekend masses between Jan. 13 and Jan. 21. Registration also can be completed at time of the event.

## Bowling benefit

Veteran's Haven and Towne & Country Lanes will hold a Bowling for Homeless Veterans benefit 12:30-4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, at the bowling alley at 1100 S. Wayne Road, Westland.

The cost will be \$20 per person which includes three games of bowling, shoe rental and raffle ticket for drawings going on throughout the event.

Veteran's Haven and Towne & Country Lanes are dedicated to combating the problem of homelessness among veterans. With more than 500,000 veterans homeless at any given time in this country and nearly 5,000 homeless veterans in the Detroit metropolitan area, a serious problem exists. Veteran's Haven has assisted more than 10,000 veterans since its inception, providing food, clothing, counseling, job connections, transportation and supportive/transitional housing to disadvantaged, homeless and needy Veterans.

For more information on how to help or about Veteran's Haven, visit the Web site at [www.vetshaveninfo.org](http://www.vetshaveninfo.org) or call (734) 728-0527.

## Book group

The Science Fiction and Fantasy Discussion Group at the William P. Faust Public Library will be poring over the pages of *Variable Star* by Robert Heinlein and Spider Robinson when it meets at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 31, in meeting room A.

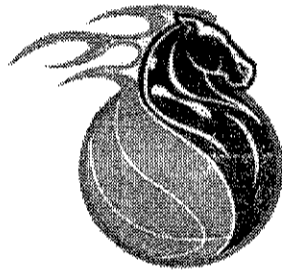
For more information, call the library at (734) 326-6123.

## Euchre games

Friday Night Euchre/Pinochle Card Parties start at 7:30 p.m. at St. Bernardine Parish in Westland. Doors open at 7 p.m. No partner is needed. Admission is \$5 and includes refreshments, snacks and cash prizes. A 50/50 raffle also is available. The scheduled dates are Jan. 12, 26 and Feb. 2, 9, 16. For more information, call (734) 427-5150.

## Bingo

The Dyer Senior Center invites residents to play bingo at 1 p.m. Wednesdays at the center, 36745 Marquette, Westland. For more information, call Mary Browe at (734) 419-2020.



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Understanding your frustration and disillusionment, especially during these trying economic times, we would like to extend the following assistance to current Blue Dot Customers:

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- BLUE DOT CUSTOMERS (non plan holders)\*:** Simply mention that you are a Blue Dot Customer at the time of service and Thornton & Grooms will provide a 10% discount for any services rendered.

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Tom Kiurski

The Knights of Malta became a charitable, non-military organization during the 11th and 12th centuries. They also provided aid to the sick and poor and help to set up numerous hospitals. Later, they would take up arms and join with the Knights of the Crusades in an effort to win back the Holy Land.

This new breed of knight was quite well known as a flamboyant lot. They dressed in regal fashion to show their colors in a uniform manner. Large crimson-colored capes were worn over the suits of armor. Not only were the capes

symbolic, the also helped provide a defense against one of the newest weapons of war - fire. As invading forces attacked a castle, the defenders would throw containers of naphtha and other flammable liquids. Once the armies were soaked, a torch would be thrown down at the attackers, igniting their fuel-soaked clothing.

With their fellow troops engulfed in fire, the Maltese Knights would approach on horseback, rip off their capes, and use it to extinguish the flames on their burning fellow firefighters.

As a reward for their bravery,

the cross that was worn by those Knights was decorated and inscribed by their admirers. It came to be known as the most honorable badge of acclaim that could be adorned on a uniform.

The legend of the Maltese cross grew as it was associated with the admirable qualities of loyalty, bravery and defender of the weak. Today, your firefighters are all proud to wear the time-honored Maltese cross as part of their uniform and adorn our chariots with the emblem as well.

Tom Kiurski is the training coordinator for Livonia Fire & Rescue.

## 'A Call to Wholeness' coming to OCC

The Womencenter at Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge Campus in Farmington Hills will present "A Call to Wholeness", its 15th annual conference for women, on Saturday, March 17.

The event will run from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Orchard Ridge Campus' J Building. Registration is \$45 and the public is welcome.

Keynote presenter is Licensed Professional Counselor Pam Micallef, who will offer an interactive presentation titled "Reality

Check," which "encompasses the need to slow down and look at where you've been, who you have been and are today, and where that leads you next," said Womencenter Coordinator Arlene Frank.

"A Call for Wholeness" is presented by the Womencenter, a facility that provides educational and supportive resources for area women. For further information and a registration brochure on this and other Womencenter Program offerings call (248) 522-3642.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Listings for the Community Calendar should be submitted in writing. They can be mailed to Sue Mason at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, by fax at (734) 591-7279 or by e-mail at sra-smason@hometownlife.com. For more information, call (734) 953-2112.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Health lecture: Dr. Carol A. Fischer, a member of the Doctor's Speaker Bureau will present... Treatment lecture: Dr. William H. Karl of the Doctor's Speaker Bureau will discuss "Treating Thyroid Disorders Naturally" at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 22, at the Civic Center Library in Livonia. Explore Girl Scouting: Girls ages 5-17 can discover how much Girl Scouts has to offer.

any more. Girls learn a lot about themselves and the world around them, from lasting friendships, become more confident, independent, helpful and resourceful. Through Girl Scouting, girls learn the importance of community service and challenge themselves and develop value systems they use the rest of their lives. See what Girl Scouts has to offer. Call (800) 49-SCOUT (497-2688).

ORGANIZATIONS

- Toastmasters: The Westland Easy Talkers Toastmasters Club can help people overcome their fear of speaking in front of people... Vietnam Vets: The Plymouth-Canton Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 52B, meet at 7:30 p.m. the second Monday of every month... Friends of library: The Friends of the William P. Faust Public Library organization meets at 2 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month.

- In Harmony: The Wayne Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society meets at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Kirk of Our Savior Presbyterian Church. Civil Air Patrol: Emergency service is just one of the congressionally mandated missions of the Civil Air Patrol, which includes ground and air search-and-rescue operations. Menopause & More: A Menopause & More support group for women meets 7-9 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month... Veterans' Haven: Veteran's Haven operates a car, boat, camper and real estate donation program.

- Eating Disorders: Get help, get real information and real expectations, at an eating disorder support group which meets 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday in the auditorium of Garden City Hospital. Advocacy group: The Wayne-Westland Alliance for the Mentally Ill, a self-help and advocacy group, meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Thursday of the month... Support group: A support group for people with chronic illness meets on Fridays every other week, at the Westside Mental Health Services, 32932 W. Warren, Suite 103, Westland.

- The Great Lakes Fibromyalgia and CFS Association Support Group meets 1-3 p.m. the first Thursday of each month at Merriman Road Baptist Church on Merriman south of Ford. Pioneer trek: The Nankin Township Pioneer Trek has been designed to introduce travelers to the history of the area. Friends of Eliseo: The Friends of Eliseo group meets 6 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month in the dining room of the Kay Beard Building, on Michigan between Middlebelt and Merriman. Friends of Museum: Friends of the Westland Historical Museum meet at 7 p.m. the second Tuesday each month except December.

- Westland, offers a variety of programs for older adults. The Web site www.westland.mi.us offers more information. Call (734) 722-7632. Senior dinners: The Wayne Ford Civic League hosts Senior Dinner Dances with live entertainment several times each month for couples and singles 50 years and older. The cost is \$8 donation for members of the league and \$10 donation for non-members. All dances start at noon and run until 3-3:30 p.m. Meals include beer, wine, and fountain pop. For information and schedules, call (734) 728-5010. Crochet & Knit: A crochet and knit group meets 9:30 a.m. every Friday at the Friendship Center on Newburgh near Marquette. Visually Impaired: The Visually Impaired Persons (VIPs) support group meets 12:30 p.m. every Friday at the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, Westland. Hearing checks: Every third Tuesday of each month, a representative from Personalized Hearing Care of Westland will check and clean hearing aids free, 2-3 p.m. by appointment only. Exercise: Simply Jazzercise is designed for exercisers older than 50. The program provides a low to moderate workout.

BINGO

- VFW Bingo: Veterans of Foreign Wars 3323 Auxiliary has bingo 6:30 p.m. every Thursday at 1055 S. Wayne Road, Westland. St. Mel Church: Bingo begins at 6:45 p.m. Fridays in St. Mel Church activities building, on Inkster Road north of Warren. Shamrock Bingo: Bingo begins at 11 a.m. Wednesdays at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 35100 Van Born, east of Wayne Road in Wayne. K of C Bingo: Pope John XXIII Assembly of the Knights of Columbus Council 1536 hosts bingo games at 6:45 p.m. Thursdays. Friendship Center: The Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center), 1119 N. Newburgh.

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# Open Letter to all DFCU Financial Member-Owners

## Restore Member Trust - It's time for a change in Leadership!

Dear Member-Owners,

DFCU Owners United is pleased to endorse three highly competent DFCU Financial members who are running for the credit union's volunteer board of directors. After fulfilling all the requirements mandated by the credit union's bylaws, **Jesse D.L. Brunais, Linda M. Malec and Salvatore Mazzola** have been notified by the DFCU Financial Board of Directors Nominating Committee that their names will be included on the ballot for the 2007 Board of Directors election.

Bruce D. Gearn, Ryan M. Hershberger and Ronald K. Seiler, endorsed by DFCU Owners United, also qualified to run for the board election. However, they have since notified DFCU Financial that they wish to have their names withdrawn from the ballot, and will lend their support to **BRUNAIS, MALEC and MAZZOLA** for the three announced open board positions.

**Brunais, Malec & Mazzola pledge that putting members first is their #1 commitment. Each of these candidates has a passion for DFCU Financial Federal Credit Union, and they have expressed their displeasure at the recent attempt to change their credit union to a bank.**

*"It is no secret that DFCU's recent initiative to become a bank provoked very strong opposition from member-owners of the credit union. Early in 2006, I took the time to learn more about this ill-fated proposal by talking with others, attending informational meetings sponsored by DFCU Owners United, and reading industry related periodicals. The more I learned, the more my personal opposition grew. I now ask the members of DFCU for their vote as a candidate for DFCU's Board of Directors in order to help guide this great institution in an open and transparent manner as governed by the credit union's bylaws and policies."*

--- **Jesse D.L. Brunais**, automotive product design engineer in Powertrain Operations at Ford Motor Company. A member of DFCU Financial since 1981, Brunais is a graduate of Michigan State University with a Master's degree in electronics and computer science from Wayne State University.

*"I became re-involved in DFCU during the attempt to convert it into a for-profit bank. During that time, I also listened to members unhappy with other changes that seemed to be trending toward 'just another bank.' I was stunned because, as a cooperative, DFCU operates for the benefit of member-owners and should strive to be 'better than the competition' by returning earnings back to members with better rates on savings, lower rates on loans, and providing exemplary services so that over time, all members benefit. With your vote, I pledge to 'put members first' and to support continuing the great traditions of DFCU, its employees and members."* --- **Linda M. Malec**, human resources associate on the corporate staff at Ford Motor Company's World Headquarters. A member of DFCU Financial for 36 years, Malec served on DFCU's board of directors from 1980 to 2000, including chairperson from 1988 to 1998. Malec holds a Bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan.

*"In the nine years I have been a member of DFCU, I have come to value the credit union for what it is—an efficient organization of exceptionally competent professionals, committed to serving all its members as owners and not as customers. I first became involved with DFCU Owners United when my confidence in the present Board of Directors was shaken by last year's proposed bank conversion, which was strongly opposed by the membership. In seeking the members' vote for the Board of Directors, I ask DFCU member-owners to support continuing the credit union's traditions of professional service and growth driven by members' needs."* --- **Salvatore Mazzola**, funding analyst in the Treasurer's Office of Ford Motor Company. Mazzola earned his Bachelor of Science degree from Michigan Technological University and a Master of Science degree from the University of Illinois, as well as a Master of Business Administration degree from Wayne State University.

Ballots are expected to be mailed to members in January 2007, in advance of DFCU Financial's Annual Membership Meeting scheduled for February 15, 2007.

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## Aloha, Penn State; C'ville's Shaw begins NFL quest

BY BRAD EMONS  
STAFF WRITER

Livonia's Tim Shaw wanted to go out in style during his final collegiate football game. The Penn State defensive end took the baton from the Nittany Lions' drum major, got up on the podium and played maestro, directing the school band. The Clarenceville High grad had reason to celebrate following a New Year's Day victory over Tennessee, 20-10, before 65,000 fans in the Outback Bowl at Raymond James Stadium in Tampa.



Shaw

"I wanted to soak it up — everything on the field was good, I didn't want to miss anything," said Shaw, who had five tackles, including a sack, along with two assists. "I wanted to make the most of every moment and enjoy it." Shaw's football career is far from over. With a business management degree in hand, he now starts preparing himself for possible entry into the

National Football League. Shaw is on his way to the Hula Bowl All-Star Game in Honolulu (8:30 p.m. Saturday on ESPN) to play alongside and against some of the nation's top seniors. He has hired an agent and has already begun workouts in Orlando, Fla., in preparation for the NFL Combine, which starts Feb. 22 in Indianapolis, Ind. "I went through the whole process where I met a million people," he said. "I made a decision and I felt I made a good one." Shaw's stock may rise or fall

during the next few months. It depends how he tests out and impresses NFL scouts. The honorable mention All-Big Ten pick made the ultimate sacrifice as a fifth-year senior, moving from middle linebacker to defensive end. His natural position — because of his speed — will more than likely be outside linebacker in the pros. Shaw started his career at Penn State as a running back, after he set Michigan High School Athletic Association records for touchdowns in a career (131) and career yards rushing (7,813) before being

eclipsed by Michigan's Kevin Grady. Considered "a hybrid," Shaw spent his true freshman year as a backup tailback and a member of special teams before redshirting as a sophomore. He moved to linebacker his third season, when he earned three starts at outside linebacker before moving over to inside linebacker to make way for freshman Dan Connor. Shaw was also flanked during his career by a heralded line-backing crew which included

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## Strike force Clarenceville boys edged by Falcons; girls team romps

BY BRAD EMONS  
STAFF WRITER

Even in defeat, coach Pam Jones couldn't fault her Clarenceville boys bowling team. The young Trojans went toe-to-toe Tuesday afternoon with a seasoned Dearborn Divine Child squad before losing, 16-14, in a battle of top-10 ranked teams in Division II at Country Lanes in Farmington. "They far exceeded my expectations," said Jones, whose team fell to 2.5-3.5 in the Wayne-Oakland Bowling Conference against the first-place Falcons. "They have a team of seniors and we have a lot of underclassmen. For them to bowl the way they did against this team ... I'm very pleased with their performance."

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Clarenceville freshman bowler Christian Grates gets a high-five from the audience following a strike during Tuesday's match against Dearborn Divine Child at Country Lanes in Farmington.

TOM HOFFMEYER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



REINA LAVERTY

### Launching pad

Schoolcraft's Adrena Walker-Price hoists a jump shot during Saturday's 100-50 victory over host Henry Ford Community College. See women's college basketball roundup on page B2.

## All-America spiker Inman on mend

BY DAN STICKRADT  
STAFF WRITER

Caryn Inman is on a break — literally — and it has nothing to do with the recent holidays. The talented Madonna University athlete is on the sidelines after suffering a broken arm on the basketball court. The two-sport collegiate star is also enjoying some much-deserved time in the limelight. A 6-foot middle hitter in volleyball, the Oxford High School graduate was recently voted to the NAIA All-America Second Team after leading the Crusaders to the national tournament for the fifth consecutive season. The NAIA named 12 players to the first team and 12 to the second team and Inman made the list after leading a young squad to a 38-5 overall record, including a 38-game win streak. "I don't really think about (awards)," said Inman, who has completed her volleyball eligibility, but is only a junior in terms of bas-



Inman

ketball eligibility. "I just go out there and play. I like to think that the hard work has paid off." A total of five Madonna players earned postseason accolades, although Inman was the Crusaders' top player. She led Madonna with 656 kills and helped lead the Crusaders to their 10th straight Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference title. She was also named the WHAC Player of the Year this past autumn and top player in the NAIA Region VIII. This year's selection marks the second All-America honor for Inman, who was an honorable mention honoree in 2005. "I think it's a nice honor, especially considering that we were a young team this year," she said. "We lost some good players from (2005)." Teammate Lubovj Tihomirova (Riga, Latvia) earned third team honors after a stellar sophomore

campaign. Three other teammates earned Academic All-America honors — Heather Spooner (Woodhaven), Jacqui Gatt (Livonia Churchill) and Amy Szyznanski (Redford/Livonia Ladywood). The Crusaders opened the 2006 season with a pair of losses to St. Mary's College (N.D.) and Dickinson State (N.D.) and did not lose again until pool play in the NAIA national tournament. Madonna has won five straight NAIA regional championships, including the past four, with Inman in the rotation. She is also the Madonna player under Hall of Fame coach Jerry Abraham to earn All-America accolades. Inman has one year of classes left and hopes to graduate by the end of 2007. But volleyball, and sports in general, has been a big part of her life. Inman was a three-sport standout at Oxford before graduating in 2003. She was a state qualifier in track and field, an honorable men-

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## Pinning their hopes

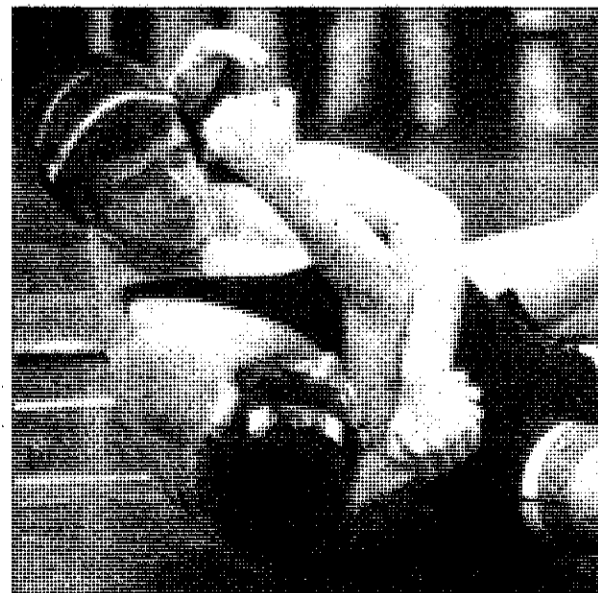
John Glenn grapplers among area invitational winners

Westland John Glenn, despite three regulars being out of the line-up, ran away with the 16-team Troy Invitational wrestling tournament title Saturday. For Glenn, which did not participate in last year's Troy tourney, it was its third title in four years. Boasting four individual champions, Glenn scored a team-high 219 points to finish ahead of Roseville, 164; Highland Park and Troy, 151 each; Utica Ford, 122.5; Eastpointe East Detroit, 103; Warren Cousino, 82; Marlette, 75; Utica Eisenhower, 63.5; Auburn Hills Avondale, 63; Warren Lincoln and St. Clair Shores

Lake Shore, 62 each; Birmingham Seaholm, 52; Madison Heights Madison, 28; and Troy 'B', 9. Earning first-places for the Rockets were Jerimiah Austin (125 pounds), Jim Wood (140), James Zerebiny (152) and Scott Brown (160). Runners-up included Anthony Pavlich (103), Jared Stephens (119) and Nick Shak (130). Third places went to Andrew Hein (171) and Shamir Garcia (215), while Dan McCahill (145) and Victor Sanders (189) each took sixth. Glenn takes an 8-6 overall dual-meet record into tonight's Western

Lakes Activities Association-Lakes Division match at Livonia Churchill. Patriots roll to title Livonia Franklin, bringing home six individual titles, captured the 30th annual Dearborn Invitational crown Saturday with a team-high 310.5 points. The host Tractors were runner-up in the 10-team field with 286.5, while Lutheran High Westland was a distant third with 201.5. "I thought we wrestled very well at this tournament," Franklin coach

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TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

John Glenn's Scott Brown, shown pinning Redford Union's Matthew DeLong in the Salem Invitational, also took home the 160-pound crown Saturday at the Troy Tournament.

## Signaling

### Samarco saluted

Bowling Green State University senior guard Martin Samarco (Belleville/Schoolcraft College) was named Mid-American Conference East Player of the Week after scoring a career-high 43 points in the Falcons' 74-73 home-court win Sunday over the University of Buffalo. The 6-foot-2 Samarco, who hit the game-winning three-pointer with two seconds remaining, connected on 16-of-24 shots from the floor, including 7-of-12 from three-point range to go along with 4-of-5 free throws. He leads the MAC in scoring at 22.4 points per game for the Falcons (10-4, 1-0).

### Coaches wanted

Westland John Glenn High School is seeking a varsity girls track coach for the 2006-07 season. For more information, call Glenn athletic administrator Brian Swinehart at (734) 419-2311; or e-mail swinehartb@wwcs.k12.mi.us. Livonia Ladywood High School has several coaching vacancies for the 2007 spring season including: girls varsity and JV softball coach; girls JV soccer coach; girls sprint coach and girls jump coach for track and field.

Please fax a resume to athletic director Sal Malek at (734) 591-2386.

Livonia Stevenson is seeking a boys varsity golf coach.

Call Stevenson athletic director Lori Hyman at (734) 744-2894 if interested.

### 2007 spring soccer

Spring 2007 registration is underway through Sunday, Feb. 18 for the Wayne-Westland Soccer League for both its recreational and premier teams (ages 5 through high school).

Late fees start Sunday, Jan. 21. Forms are available at either the Westland Bailey Center, 36651 Ford Road, or the Wayne Recreation Center, 4635 Howe Road. Locations for new fields have been created through Wayne Recreation until the Central City Park complex has been deemed safe. For more information, call (734) 467-5260 or visit www.wwsoccer.com.

### Special open skate

The three Livonia Public Schools varsity boys hockey teams — Churchill, Franklin and Stevenson — will join forces with special needs students and Special Olympians for an open skate from 8-9 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 28 at Edgar Arena. For more information, e-mail Churchill coach Pete Mazzoni at pmazzoni@livonia.k12.mi.us.

## Wayne evens mark vs. Spartans; Rosenick keys Churchill triumph

Wayne Memorial's size and balance proved to be too much Tuesday for Livonia Stevenson as the host Zebras churned out a 56-47 boys basketball victory.

Junior guard Mike Lee scored a team-high 18 points as Wayne evened its season record at 3-3 with the Western Lakes Activities Association crossover victory.

Jeremy Lovelady, a 6-foot-9 junior center, added 15 points and 17 rebounds, while junior point-guard John Hill played a strong all-around game finishing with 12 points.

Senior guard Luke Knochel paced the Spartans (1-5) with a game-high 25 points, including 13 in the opening quarter.

Stevenson led 26-25 at half-time, but Wayne rallied in the second half by outscoring the Spartans, 31-21.

"We were all over him, but he was amazing," Wayne coach Wayne Woodard said of Knochel. "We face-guarded him the whole game with three guys. It's just a real bugger to take him away. He got 31 against us last year."

Chris Mulcahy added nine points for the Spartans, who hit 8-of-10 free throws.

Wayne finished 10-of-14 from the foul line.

"We did a nice job of controlling tempo for three quarters," Stevenson coach Brad Miller said, "but then we missed shots and we got hurt on the offensive glass, particularly the first quarter. They're just much bigger with the 6-9 kid (Lovelady) in the middle."

**CHURCHILL 52, FRANKLIN 39:** Junior Ryan Rosenick enjoyed a productive night with 22 points and 15 rebounds in lifting Livonia Churchill (3-3) to a WLAAC crossover victory Tuesday at Livonia Franklin (2-4).

The Chargers, who defeated Franklin for the second time this season, led 37-20 at halftime and 45-30 after three quarters.

Rosenick, a 6-3 forward, had 10 points and nine rebounds to spark an 18-11 Churchill second-quarter run.

Junior guard Andrew Vagnetti came off the bench to score nine points. He also had three steals. Ryan Whittum added six points, five rebounds and three steals.

Tyler Canyock and Neil Copeland each tallied seven points for the Patriots. "The last time we played them we had 27 turnovers and tonight we cut

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that in half," Churchill coach Jim Solak said. "We got some easy baskets the second quarter and we took care of the ball. We were patient and we really attacked the glass."

Churchill outrebounded the Patriots, 39-23, and hit 11-of-19 free throws.

Franklin was 14-of-23 from the foul line.

**NORTHVILLE 63, JOHN GLENN 54:** Senior guard Alvin Storrs matched a season-high 33 points Tuesday to lead the host Mustangs (6-0) past Westland John Glenn (2-3) in a WLAAC crossover.

Glenn trailed 29-21 at intermission before cutting the deficit to five in the final period.

Earl Hardison paced the Rockets with 24 points, while Keshwan Martin added 10.

The 6-2 Storrs, headed to Grand Valley State, scored in the opening half and 17 during the final 16 minutes of play.

**LUTH. WESTLAND 63, ROEPER 42:** In a non-conference game Tuesday, senior guard Kyle Ramthun scored 17 points, while senior forward Josh Haller added 16 points and eight rebounds to lead Lutheran High Westland (3-2) past host Birmingham Roper (2-3) in a game played at Derby Middle School.

The Warriors, who picked up their bus an hour late, suited up only eight players after four players, including one starter, were suspended because of disciplinary reasons.

Sean Vandenberg helped pick up the slack with eight points, seven assists, seven rebounds and seven steals as the Warriors pulled away in the second half by outscoring Roper 32-14.

Junior forward Mike Robinson led the Roughriders with 16 points.

**FERDALE 52, CLARENCEVILLE 49 (OT):** The Eagles (4-3) pulled out the non-conference win Tuesday in overtime by outscoring host Livonia Clarenceville (0-4) by a 7-4 margin in the four-minute extra session.

Cecil Clark's three-pointer with six seconds to go tied that game at 45-44 at the end of regulation.

Thril Hudson paced Ferndale with 13 points.

Sophomore center Jeremy Gainer scored 18 for the Trojans, who led most of the game. Senior guard Brian Davis contributed 13 points.

"We battled, it was our best defensive effort to date," Clarenceville first-year coach Corey McKendry said. "But we didn't make enough smart plays at the end of the game."

Clarenceville was 13-of-20 from the foul line, while Ferndale made 8-of-18.

## Lady Ocelots cruise to conference wins

The lengthy holiday break apparently did not hurt Schoolcraft College's women's basketball team, which clobbered Henry Ford, 100-50, on Saturday in a Michigan Community College Athletic Association Eastern Conference matchup.

Schoolcraft (12-2 overall, 5-0) followed that up with a 76-45 homecourt triumph Monday against Wayne County CC (5-11, 2-5).

Ashley Sibby led the Lady Ocelots against Wayne County with 17 points, while Antoinette Brown added 15.

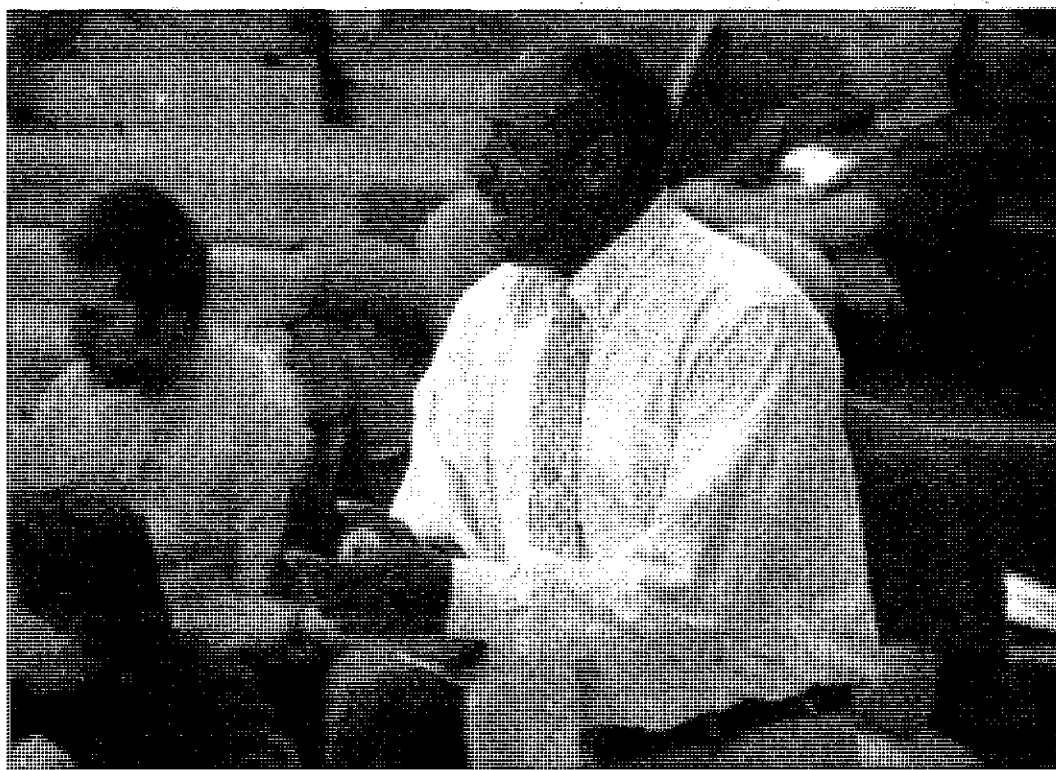
Brittney Ivey finished with 12, while Janelle Harris had 10 points and nine rebounds.

Schoolcraft led 38-25 at the half and broke the game open with 13-1 run to start the second half for a 51-26 lead.

Kinya Chatman led Wayne County with 13 points and 13 rebounds, while Paige Stewart added 11 points and 11 rebounds. Shamara Mumfield contributed 11 points.

In the Schoolcraft-Henry Ford game, a 36-8 run to close out the first half gave the visiting Lady Ocelots a 53-24 lead at the intermission and Schoolcraft, the No. 9 team in the National Junior College Athletic Association Division II rankings, didn't stop there.

Brown (19 points, 15 rebounds) and Harris (19



Madonna University first-year women's basketball coach Carl Graves was thankful to get his first Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference win on Saturday over Indiana Tech.

points, 11 boards) triggered the onslaught for head coach Karen Lafata.

Sibby contributed 13 points, while Ivey added 11 points and 10 assists.

Just missing the 10-point circle were Garden City alum Alicia June and Maricka Seay, who each scored nine, but made an even greater impact on the glass. Seay and June

pulled down 17 and 14 rebounds, respectively.

For Henry Ford (0-13, 0-5), Jackie Allen had 20 points and seven rebounds.

**MADONNA 76, INDIANA TECH 71:** Carl Graves earned his first Wolverine-Hoosier Conference triumph Saturday as Madonna University (6-11, 1-1) got past Indiana Tech in Fort Wayne.

Salem alum Lindsay Klemmer

poured in a career-high 26 points to pace the Crusaders.

Also coming up big on offense was Stephanie Piotrowski, who hit 6-of-9 from behind the three-point arc on her way to 24 points.

Alyssa Guerin (Salem) added 13 points, while Christie Carrico came through with 10 points and 10 rebounds.

For Indiana Tech (7-11, 0-2), Vini Dawson and Porsche Reaves scored 13 and 12 points, respectively.

## Madonna Bridges gap with WHAC victory

A 26-point night by forward D. J. Bridges propelled Madonna University's men's basketball team to a 91-82 triumph over visiting Indiana Tech in a Saturday afternoon conference matchup.

Bridges, a junior forward from Canton, connected on 11-of-16 from the floor to spark the Madonna attack. He also led the Crusaders with nine rebounds. Also in double figures for

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Madonna (6-12 overall, 2-0 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference) were senior guard Adam Kerfoot (13 points), senior guard Charlie Henry (12 points) and senior forward Derrick Mudri (12 points, five rebounds).

Harold Haynes tallied 24 points off the bench for the Warriors (10-7, 0-2).

Madonna led 48-25 at half-time, largely on the strength of a hot-shooting first half - making 20-of-31 from the floor (64.5 percent).

The Crusaders cooled off slightly after intermission, but still managed to hold a comfortable lead the rest of the way.

**Ocelots win pair**

Schoolcraft College improved to 8-6 overall and

3-2 in the Eastern Conference of the Michigan Community College Athletic Association with a 70-62 triumph at home Monday over Wayne County CC, which falls to 5-7 overall and 2-4 in the conference.

On Saturday, the Ocelots earned a 72-66 triumph at Henry Ford CC.

The Hawks fall to 4-9 overall and 2-4 in the conference.

## Chargers, Stevenson setting pace in Lakes

Nathan Milan and Keith Yackley each scored two goals and added two assists to propel Livonia Churchill to a 7-1 boys hockey victory Tuesday night over host Salem at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

Churchill, ranked No. 3 in the latest Division I statewide rankings, is 9-1 overall and 2-0 in the Lakes Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association.

Freshman goaltender Aaron Crouse, making his first varsity start, earned the victory by turning away 10 of 11 shots. Dustin Wischmeyer added a

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goal and assist for the victorious Chargers, who led 3-1 after one period and 5-1 after 30 minutes.

Tony Ross and Andrew LaBerge also scored goals for Churchill, while Phil Wendecker and Josh Proben each chipped in with two assists.

Kurt Driscoll scored the lone goal for Salem (4-6-2, 0-1) at 7:55 of the opening period to make it 2-1. Steve Heisler and Aaron Markwell drew assists.

Salem netminder Ralph Aspinwall made 17 saves.

**STEVENSON 7, W.L. CENTRAL 1:** Livonia Stevenson (9-1-1, 1-0) opened Lakes Division play Saturday in the Western Lakes Activities Association with a lopsided victory over host Walled Lake Central (5-5-1, 0-1) at Lakeland Ice Arena.

Marcus Voran led the Spartans, ranked No. 10 in Division I, with a pair of goals.

R.J. Kierdorf contributed a goal and three assists, while Sean Lerg and Dan Darrow each had a goal and assist.

Mike Jahn and Mark Bekkala also scored goals for Stevenson, while assists went to Chris Rapp (two), Jacob Harbowy, Mark Villaire and Jacob Wilson.

Jeff Pashnick (15 saves) was in goal for the Spartans. His shutout bid was ruined with only 3:09 left when Anthony White scored on a five-on-three power-play from Tyler Zahul and Justin Hunter.

"This was our first division game so it was important that we got off to a good start," Stevenson coach Mike Humitz said. "I think our kids did a good job of keeping things simple coming off the holiday break. Eventually, the game turned into a

special teams game and we did a good job on the power play."

**CHURCHILL 5, W.L. NORTHERN 1:** Livonia Churchill (8-1, 1-0) won its third game in three days with a WLAAC-Lakes Division triumph over host Walled Lake Northern at the Lakeland Ice Arena.

Keith Yackley had a goal and two assists for the victorious Chargers, who outshot the Knights, 39-12.

Phil Wendecker and Garrett Miencier added power-play goals, while Dustin Wischmeyer and Nathan Milan also tallied goals for Churchill.

Other assists went to Zac Archer (two), Milan, Andy LaBerge, Kody Strong, Mitch Carpenter, Josh Proben and Kyle Burke.

Northern's lone score came on a five-on-three power-play with two seconds remaining in the second period to make it 3-1.

Scott Lewan was in goal for the Chargers, while Ed Hojnacki was in net for the Knights.

"He (Hojnacki) played really well, we peppered him pretty good," Churchill coach Pete Mazzoni said. "Northern is a strong, aggressive team. It was a good division game. I'm real pleased where we're at right now."

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## Ladywood posts pair of wins

Livonia Ladywood maintained its grip on first place in the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League with a pair of impressive wins.

On Monday, the Blazers improved to 7-0-1 overall and 7-0-1 in the league with a 9-2 triumph over host Walled Lake at Suburban Ice Rink.

Junior Prenella Semma scored a hat trick and added one assist for the Blazers, who led 4-1 after one period and 8-2 after two periods.

Other Ladywood standouts included Heather Sartorius, two goals and one assist; Maria Rotondo, two goals; Ashley Ballerin, one goal and two assists; Laura Szwed, one goal and one assist; and Rachel Killian, three assists.

Lindsey Szutka and Molly Baker each scored for Walled Lake (4-3, 4-3).

Ladywood goalie Michelle

Wyniemko made 11 saves.

On Saturday, Ladywood skated to a 6-3 triumph over second-place Grosse Pointe North as Sartorius had two goals and two assists at the Arctic Pond in Plymouth.

Szwed chipped in with two goals and one assist as the Blazers jumped out to a 3-0 first-period lead. She has 17 goals on the year.

"We came ready to play and a 3-0 lead helped us a great deal, especially against a team playing for first place," said Ladywood coach Bruce Peck, whose team leads the MMGHSJ by a half-game over 6-0-1 Plymouth-Canton-Salem.

Semma also had a goal and assist, while Rotondo tallied the other Ladywood goal.

Sarah Hughes, Alexa Quinlan and Nikki Capizzo scored goals for the Blue Devils, who slipped to 9-2 overall and 7-2 in the league.



Clarenceville bowler Danielle Fecso gets congratulated by her teammates after throwing a strike during Tuesday's match at Country Lanes against Divine Child.

## BOWLING

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Clarenceville, ranked sixth, jumped out to a 10-0 lead by winning both Baker games (alternating shots) along with totals, 399-374.

But the Falcons (6-0), rated No. 4 in the state, captured both regular games (904-831 and 1,030-1,017) along with totals (1,934-1,848) to gain 10 points back up. Had the Trojans picked up one more pin for a spare in the second game, it could have gone the other way as Divine Child, took the second regular game by 13 pins.

Division II state individual runner-up Lee Pierson, Divine Child's anchor, won both his matches (184-224-408) along with teammate Paul Doherty (192-248-440).

Senior Mark Zupancic rolled 167-203-370 to win a pair of points, while freshman Jason Bertera (204), the conference's match-point leader, took a point in the second regular game. Fellow ninth-grader Christian Grates (194) added a point in the opening regular game.

Meanwhile, the Clarenceville girls, ranked No. 3 in Division II, rolled to a 26-4 triumph over DC to remain unbeaten in the conference at 6-0.

The Trojans won 6-4 in the Bakers, then dominated in both regular games (773-622 and 951-727) along with totals (1,724-1,349).

All five Clarenceville starters won their matches for six individual points, led by senior Danielle Fecso, a second-team All-Stater from a year ago, who bowled a two-game set of 181-244-425.

Fecso upped her conference leading average to 198 after finishing with a 189 average a year ago.

She was followed by junior Kayla Barber, 145-181-326; senior Erica Charboneau, 156-200-356; junior Elizabeth Sinclair, 151-139-290; and junior Sara Brown, 140-187-327.

"They did as I expected," said Jones, who guided the Clarenceville girls to the state semifinals a year ago. "We just have to work on our Bakers, because when you go to a tourney or get into a regional, we've got to be better. But a 951 (second regular game total) is not too shabby."

On Saturday, a total of 48 teams converged on Oak Lanes in Westland for the 2007 Livonia Ladywood Holiday Tournament.

Harper Woods Regina, led by Felicia Goll's 727 series, captured the team title with a total of 3,317 pins in a tournament

which consisted of four Baker games and three regular games.

The next three teams were Milford (3,202), Howell (3,083) and Clarenceville (2,957).

The Trojans had a high regular game total of 790, along with a 172 Baker.

Three-game individual totals for the Trojans included Barber, 17th (497); Charboneau, 19th (495); and Fecso, 37th (461), the latter whom was suffering from the flu.

Ladywood split its teams with the Blue squad, led by Chelsea Hewitt's 408 series, finishing 22nd with a team total of 2,446. The White squad was 23rd with a 2,326 led by Anne Suchyta's 366.

On the boys side, Brighton scored 3,966 to win the team title, while Clarenceville finished 18th with 3,218 including a high game of 938 and a 182 Baker, both coming in the first round.

Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard's Brian Hunt rolled a 732 series to take individual honors, while Zupancic took 50th to lead Clarenceville with a 540 series, including a high game of 213. Senior anchor Andrew Abbott took 59th overall with a 509 series.

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# Split seasons inject new life into leagues

Many years ago, somebody whose name will remain unknown, dreamed up the idea of a split season for bowling leagues.

By dividing the number of total weeks in half, many leagues members believed this was a good thing.

A fresh start in January, where teams who finished poorly in the first half have a new life, and everybody has an equal chance to wig the second half no matter how bad you may have been during the first semester.

This keeps interest and competition at a higher level for the whole season. The new year usually kicks off the second half for many leagues.

League play is still the backbone of the sport and there are very few other sports that offer the wide scope of competition found in bowling.

Aside from league play, there are all kinds of tournaments at the local, state and national levels.

The U.S. Bowling Congress Championships, scheduled this year in Reno, Nev. at the National Bowling Stadium, probably has more participants than any other sport.

There are approximately 80,000 men and 30,000 women who bowl in the USBC (formerly American Bowling Congress and Women's International Bowling Congress) national tournaments.

There are a whole host of local tournaments for bowlers of all ages and ability levels. This is a sport of numbers. Scores and averages and handicaps all come together in a montage of digits that add up to the winners in leagues, jackpots and tournaments.

Westland's Bruno Di Mambro, 67, put up some great numbers a few weeks ago in



Ten-Pin Alley

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the Wednesday Men's Senior Classic league at Mayflower Lanes in Redford.

He started with a mere 237, followed it with 277 and 300 for his first 800 series (814) and his third perfect game in his career, all coming in 2006. He finished the day by rolling 22 consecutive strikes.

Bruno was averaging 205 at the time, but that figure will surely go up a bit now.

Abe Borborian, 69, of Riverview, rolled up a 279 game with a 752 (against my own team The Looney Baker), while George Little of Westland came in with 266-255-214/756.

Ron Landon of Dearborn Heights fired games of 235-279-267 for a total of 782 and Gary Nagle of Westland rolled a nice 279 game with 720 for his three game total.

The action is always hot and heavy in the Dan Ottman's Michigan Junior Masters Association monthly competition for the better youth bowlers.

Young bowlers came from seven states and Canada for the latest event which took place recently at Sunnybrook Lanes in Sterling Heights.

Matthew O'Grady, the reigning Junior Gold Championship winner from New Jersey was testing his skills in MJMA for the first time along with youth bowlers from Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Wisconsin, Maryland and Canada.

O'Grady led the boys through qualifying and was the

leader after match play on Sunday. There were four other bowlers in the stepladder finals in which Jared Ball (Jackson) beat Team USA member Tim Pfeifer (Cranberry Township, Pa.).

Ball went up against newcomer Michael Kiel (Livonia), who was making his first ever MJMA appearance. Ball went on to defeat Kiel and the No. 2 qualifier, Seby Silvestri (Louisville, Ky.) setting up the championship match against O'Grady.

Ball took advantage of an inopportune split by O'Grady to close out the match and win his first Alro Steel/MJMA title, 234-201.

Ball earned \$1,000 in scholarship money, followed by O'Grady (\$800), Silvestri (\$600), Kiel (\$500) and Pfeiffer (\$400).

On the girls side, Jennifer Churchill (Windsor, Ontario) captured the championship and \$500 in scholarship followed by Christine Bator (Warren), \$350; Emily Witt (Grand Rapids), \$325; and Christine Hutteringer (Zelenople, Pa.), \$200.

The next MJMA event, an adult-youth competition, is Saturday and Monday at Royal Scot Lanes in Lansing.

The USBC has announced that Ottman, who founded the MJMA, will posthumously receive the Joyce Deitch Trailblazer Award which honors individuals who have made important contributions to bowling by being motivators, visionaries, leaders and inventors.

For information on MJMA youth bowling, visit [www.mjma.net](http://www.mjma.net).

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## SHAW

FROM PAGE B1

Paul Posluszny, the Butkus Award winner, who moved to middle linebacker this season.

To get the best 11 players on the field, Shaw made another position switch this season, switching to defensive end to make way for Sean Lee at outside linebacker. Shaw, despite being outweighed 70-80 pounds on the line, finished the year with a respectable 26 solo tackles and 18 assists. He had seven sacks and eight tackles for loss.

Penn State finished the year 9-4, one of only two Big Ten teams to win a bowl game. Last season, Shaw helped the Nittany Lions to an 11-1 record and a No. 3 ranking in the country following an exhausting 26-23 triple-overtime victory over Florida State in the Orange Bowl.

In his final collegiate game, Shaw tried to save his best for last. He made a spin move inside and sacked Tennessee quarterback Erik Ainge for 15-yard loss.

"I thought I played well," he

said. "I made a couple of big plays, but it was nothing amazing. There were some pass rushes where I could have put more pressure. I've had a couple of better games this year."

"It was definitely a great game for us, but I was not as tired as last year."

Shaw went through a gamut of emotions following his final game. He reflected on his relationship with 80-year-old Penn State coach Joe Paterno, who was forced to watch from the press box at the Outback Bowl, still recovering from knee and leg injuries suffered in a sideline collision during the regular season.

"You go through a lot of feelings," Shaw said. "He's a fiery old man who loves what he does. Sometimes you wonder why is he making such a big deal and it rubs you the wrong way. But he's great at it and proves it time and time again. He says what he says and he doesn't care, and he'll give his opinion whether you understand it or not."

"After I signed to go to Penn State, I'd swear he wouldn't be there my five years, but now I think he'll go two more years if

he's healthy."

Shaw admitted he was closer to his position coaches, including Larry Johnson and Ron Vanderlinden, former head coach at Maryland and a Livonia native who recruited Shaw out of Clarenceville.

"I got a lot of respect for him, he's the best X-and-O guy I've ever been around," Shaw said of Vanderlinden. "He has a different way of dealing with players. It was a good experience and I think he'd be a great head coach."

Where Shaw goes in the NFL Draft is anybody's guess, possibly as high as a middle-round pick as described by some pro scouting circles. He admits he needs more work on lateral movement and some question his pass-coverage abilities. But he can play multiple positions and wouldn't hesitate to play special teams.

That alone is an asset for most NFL teams.

But for now, there are no more college bands to direct. Shaw, however, has his sights set on conducting more business in the NFL.

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## PREP BOWLING RESULTS

**WAYNE-OAKLAND BOWLING CONFERENCE BOYS RESULTS**  
DEARBORN DIVINE CHILD 16  
LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 14  
Jan. 9 at Country Lanes

**Baker games:** Clarenceville, 184-215-399 (10 points); Divine Child, 177-197-374.

**Divine Child regular games:** Paul Doherty, 192-248-440; Lee Pierson, 184-224-408; Blake Brezinsky, 189-189-378; Brandon Lorenz, 182-190-372; Kevin Kujawa, 157; Colin Harris, 179. **Totals:** 904-1,030-1,934 (16 points).

**Clarenceville regular games:** Andrew Abbott, 179-217-396; Christian Grates, 194-182-376; Mark Zupancic, 167-203-370; Robert ion, 149-211-360; Jason Bertera, 142-204-346. **Totals:** 831-1,017-1,848 (4 points).

**NOVI-DETROIT CATHOLIC CENTRAL 22**  
NORTHVILLE 8

**Jan. 9 at Country Lanes**  
**Baker games:** Catholic Central, 182-212-394 (6 points); Northville, 205-182-387 (4 points).

**CC regular games:** Connor Milroy, 276-224-500; Mike Horton, 299-168-467; Mike Erlingis, 288-173-461; Tommy Bialobrzanski,

180-169-349; Kerry Kirsch, 169; Kyle Bridges, 185. **Totals:** 1,212-919-2,131 (16 points).  
**Northville regular games:** Dan Dwyer, 218-180-398; Brian Carroll, 186-197-383; Dan Beger, 198-175-373; Eric Maulk-Kennedy, 178; Mike Jolley, 177; Michael Jacoboni, 183; Matt Dwyer, 150. **Totals:** 963-879-1,842 (4 points).

**GIRLS RESULTS**  
LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 26  
DEARBORN DIVINE CHILD 4  
Jan. 9 at Country Lanes

**Baker games:** Clarenceville, 143-173-316 (6 points); Divine Child, 160-109-269 (4 points).  
**Clarenceville regular games:** Danielle Fecso, 181-244-425; Erica Charboneau, 156-200-356; Kayla Barber, 145-181-326; Sara Brown, 140-187-327; Elizabeth Sinclair, 151-139-290. **Totals:** 773-951-1,724 (20 points).

**Divine Child regular games:** Sarah Richards, 149-195-344; Amanda Mulligan, 118-161-279; Kara Drapala, 123-125-248; Kacie Mennie, 134; Liz Simon, 133; Marty Fox, 98-113-211. **Totals:** 622-727-1,349 (0 points).

**NORTHVILLE 19**  
LIVONIA LADYWOOD 11  
Jan. 9 at Country Lanes

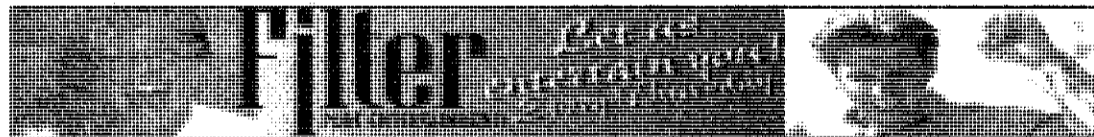
**Baker games:** Ladywood, 138-160-298 (6

points); Northville, 148-138-286 (4 points).  
**Northville regular games:** Erica Frogner, 176-179-355; Sarah Marilley, 155-157-312; Michelle Steiner, 165-126-291; Annie Schubert, 196; Laura Means, 118; Samira Patel, 112; Angie Ramsey, 104. **Totals:** 718-770-1,488 (15 points).

**Ladywood regular games:** Chelsea Hewitt, 147-160-307; Janelle Farris, 131-124-255; Emily Pugmire, 119-134-253; Gabby Vazzoli, 148; Courtney Johnson, 127; Sara Sanders, 113; Melissa Hanschumacher, 103. **Totals:** 613-693-1,306 (5 points).

**CONFERENCE STANDINGS**  
**BOYS:** 1. Dearborn Divine Child, 6-0; 2. Farmington-Harrison, 5-1; 3. Novi-Detroit Catholic Central, 4.5-1.5; 4. Northville, 3-3; 5. Livonia Clarenceville, 2.5-3.5; 6. University of Detroit-Jesuit, 2-4; 7. North Farmington, 1-5; 8. Birmingham Brother-Rice, 0-6.

**GIRLS:** 1. Livonia Clarenceville, 6-0; 2. Farmington Hills Mercy, 5-1; 3. Dearborn Divine Child, 4-2; 4. (tie) Livonia Ladywood and Farmington-Harrison, 3-3 each; 6. Northville, 2-4; 7. (tie) North Farmington and Birmingham Marian, 0.5-5.5 each.



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# Lions need to start rebuilding

Matt Millen wasted no time. Father Time had barely walked off into the sunset for 2006 and the Lions president and CEO was confirming that he would return for a seventh season. Owner William Clay Ford didn't even think it was worth a press conference to announce that Millen would be staying right here.

"I'll never quit. I don't even consider that. It's not the way I am made," Millen said to some reporters last week.

Despite the 24-72 overall record, worst in the NFL, there never seemed to be an indication that Ford would dump the guy he hired early in 2001. Averaging just four wins a year usually buys a general manager a ticket to nowhere-ville. In Millen's case, it is business as usual.

"You are given a job, regardless of what it is," Millen added. "You keep on working trying to get



Mark Wilson

the thing done."

After last season, Millen joked about the "Fire Millen" signs. He even said his kids put one up on the Christmas tree. He went so far as to mock an average Lions fan hearing that Matt would be back hard at work trying to "get the thing done."

"Oh, great ... Millen is going to try and fix this thing. That's all we need," the former Penn State linebacker joked.

The first order of business was to fire Donnie Henderson. The defensive coordinator never seemed comfortable trying to install Rod Marinelli's cover-two defense. A day later, Marinelli hired his son-in-law, Joe Barry. The two worked together in Tampa and the Lions' head

coach sees no nepotism here.

"I hired one of the best. If we didn't get him, he would be defensive coordinator some other place right now," Marinelli said. "People can look at it how they want to look at it; I am not interested in that. I am interested in winning."

To Barry's credit, he has confidence to burn. "The reason why I came here is (No. 1) Rod Marinelli. Reason two is I believe the Detroit Lions can win and that's going to be our top goal," said the guy married to Marinelli's daughter, Chris.

Marinelli wanted Barry last year. The Buccaneers blocked it since he was under contract. It certainly gives the head man a coach who knows his system and it brings his grandchildren closer to him. It also reunites Barry with his own father. Mike Barry joined the staff with Marinelli

last season. It's like old home week.

The Lions did lose special team's guru Chuck Priefer. After 10 years in Detroit and 16 in the NFL, Priefer retired. Larry Beightol, the offensive line coach, is also a casualty of the 3-13 campaign.

Other moves will be made, but one thing that has to improve right away is talent evaluation. It starts with free agency and all the way to the April draft. Quite frankly, talent evaluation never ends in the NFL. It's a constant, year-round thing. Not only do the Lions need to start finding more quality players already playing in the league, they must do a better job finding talented guys coming out of college.

Since Millen's first draft in 2001, only eight players remain from his six drafts taken in the third round or later. Cory Redding is the best of the bunch, picked in the third round in 2003.

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# Program for 2007 season - now

Terrence Holt was a fifth-round selection that year. Those two have made the biggest impact of any picks the Lions have taken following the second round.

One guy who came on late is Stanley Wilson. The third-round pick out of Stanford in 2005, he replaced Fernando Bryant at corner and did a credible job after his dropped pass that would have been an interception touchdown in the game against San Francisco.

"I think I am getting better all the time and I love the chance to be a starter. That's why I am in the league," said Wilson, who happens to be the son of a former NFL player.

The Lions' scouting staff needs to find more guys like Wilson and receiver Mike Furrey. Furrey had an incredible year, catching 98 passes for more than 1,000 yards. It's the highest number of

catches in the history of the NFL for a guy who didn't catch one the previous season.

"He has been outstanding, what a find. Mike Martz did a fantastic job turning a former safety back into one of the better possession receivers in all of football," Marinelli said.

I asked him what the Lions would be like if they had 53 Mike Furreys.

"Pretty darn good I think," Marinelli said. Furrey went from leading the St. Louis Rams in interceptions as a safety on defense, to a mean machine on offense in just one year. His touchdown against the Cowboys and subsequent firing of the football against one of the Dallas "stars" in the end zone also showed his fire and attitude.

"He has all the qualities you want in a football player. He and Roy (Williams) are a pretty good tandem," the head coach added.

They are the first pair of pass catchers to each have a 1,000-yard season in Detroit since Johnnie Morton and Germaine Crowell in 1999. Jon Kitna threw every one of those balls. He set Lions records for attempts and completions in a season. He came just short of breaking Scott Mitchell's 11-year-old record for passing yards in a season.

Kitna was only the second Lions quarterback to have a 4,000-yard campaign. The turnovers were his undoing, however. If he indeed is coming back as the starting QB in 2007, he has to cut down on those mistakes. It's non-negotiable. The Lions will be no better if those things continue.

Kitna knows that. He will turn 35 two weeks into this next season. Quarterbacks that age are usually on the downturn in a career. Brett Favre aside, not many guys think they are just peaking at that time. Kitna

believes he has a lot of football left in him.

"I am having fun this year, maybe more fun than I have had in my 10 years of playing," Kitna said earlier in '06. "I really want to make this happen here."

Kevin Jones needs to make a strong comeback and stay healthy, as does Shaun Rogers and Shaun Cody. Fifteen players on injured reserve just cannot happen again. Millen has to find some diamonds in the rough at draft time, and they have to be smart and active in free agency. There is no other way to rebuild this thing.

It is the only chance to avoid a seventh consecutive 10-plus loss season. The work begins now.

Mark Wilson is a former Associated Press and Michigan Association of Broadcasters Michigan SportsCaster of the Year. He lives in West Bloomfield.

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# 5th-ranked Blazers get off to fast league start

Senior Lauren Boehmer's 19 kills carried Livonia Ladywood to a 25-12, 25-18, 25-18 girls volleyball victory Monday over host Riverview Gabriel Richard in the Catholic League A-B Division opener for both teams.

Ladywood, ranked No. 5 in Class B, is 14-3-1 overall and 1-0 in the league.

"It was a great way to start the Catholic League, it was a fun evening," Ladywood coach Erin Craggs said. "All team members saw action and competed well."

Other standouts for the Blazers included Catherine Phillips (five kills), Becca Zajac (11 digs) and Megan Olind (five ace serves).

On Saturday, Ladywood reached the semifinals of the Macomb Community College Tournament before losing to North Branch, ranked No. 3 in Class A, 23-25, 22-25.

The Blazers defeated Macomb Dakota in the quarterfinals, 25-22, 25-22, after wins in pool play over Sterling Heights (25-22, 25-15), Rochester Stoney Creek (25-16, 26-24) and Detroit Cass Tech (25-17, 25-3).

Boehmer, who is headed to Eastern Michigan University, had 33 kills on the day followed by Erin Henneberger (19 kills) and Olind (19 kills).

Laura Schroeter finished with 31 digs, while setter Megan Hodges had 89 assist-to-kills.

"It was a great tournament,

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we competed against some of the top programs in southeastern Michigan and played well all day," Craggs said. "We played North Branch very tough and serving won out in the end. This is a great way to begin league play."

### Warriors whip Calvary

Sophomore Becca Refenes collected 11 kills as Lutheran High Westland rolled to a 25-5, 25-13, 25-8 triumph Tuesday at Ypsilanti Calvary Christian.

Kayla Gieschen added four kills and six aces for the Warriors, who improved to 7-2-4 overall.

Lauren Gieschen and Julie Jongsma combined for 41 assist-to-kills in the win.

Calvary falls to 2-3 overall.

In Saturday's Clawson Tournament, the Warriors reached the Silver Bracket semifinals before losing to Auburn Hills Oakland Christian in three games, 13-21, 21-18, 11-15.

The Warriors finished second in pool play with splits against Royal Oak (16-21, 23-22), Oakland Christian (21-16, 17-21) and Berkley (21-18, 15-21), along with a win over Hazel Park (21-9, 21-13).

Refenes led the Warriors with 43 total kills on the day. She also had 13 solo blocks and 35 touches kept in play along with 37 digs.

Other standouts included

Lauren Schwecke, 43 digs and 19 service points; Kayla Gieschen, 10 kills, 40 digs and 18 service points (four aces); Katey Ramthun, 10 kills; Lauren Harris, 23 service points (two aces); Jongsma, 38 assists; Lauren Gieschen, 36 assists; Lauren Harris, 23 service points (two aces).

"Overall we played well," Lutheran Westland coach Kevin Wade said. "We got off to a slow start, but played our best game in the first game of the semifinal match versus Oakland Christian. We felt if we can play with that effort and intensity in every game of every match, we'll be a very difficult team to beat."

### Clarenceville falls

On Tuesday, Beverly Hills-Detroit Country Day kept visiting Livonia Clarenceville winless in a non-conference encounter, 25-8, 25-9, 22-25, 25-19.

Shannon McNeilly had 10 kills for Clarenceville, who fall to 0-6-1 overall. Junior Amanda Moody had a team-high 10 digs, but poor serving doomed the Trojans.

### Northville stops Glenn

In a Western Lakes crossover Monday, host Northville defeated Westland John Glenn in three games, 25-23, 25-15, 25-19.

Sophomore middle hitter Brittany Holbrook paced the Rockets' offense with five kills,

four blocks and two aces. Junior outside hitter Kristin Kirk led the defense with 19 digs.

Glenn is 6-6-3 overall.

### Hawks clip Agape

Lauren Adlof collected eight kills and setter Amanda Gruenewald added 13 assists as Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (3-0, 1-0) opened the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference-Red Division schedule Monday night with a 25-7, 25-18, 25-21 triumph at Canton Agape Christian.

Emily Helwig chipped in with three kills and two solo blocks for the victorious Hawks.

### Patriots go 0-3-1

Livonia Franklin came up empty in Saturday's Walled Lake Central Invitational, going 0-3-1 on the day.

The Patriots, 3-9-2 overall, earned a split with Grand Ledge (26-28, 25-23), but lost matches to Bloomfield Hills Lahser (23-25, 18-25), Westland John Glenn (24-26, 19-25) and Walled Lake Central (13-25, 21-25).

Top performers for the Patriots included: Liz Dempsey, 24 kills; Jenna Boettcher, 15 kills and seven aces; Brianna Taylor, 10 kills; Laura Marshall, seven kills, seven blocks, 10 digs, six aces.

Setters Cassie LaPrairie and Kelly Powers combined for 37 assists.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### BOYS BASKETBALL

Friday, Jan. 12  
Plymouth at Churchill, 7 p.m.  
Franklin at W.L. Northern, 7 p.m.  
Canton at Stevenson, 7 p.m.  
W.L. Western at John Glenn, 7 p.m.  
Wayne at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.  
Hamtramck at Clarenceville, 7 p.m.  
Luth. N'west at Luth. Westland, 7 p.m.  
Franklin Road at Huron Valley, 7:30 p.m.

### GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Thursday, Jan. 11  
Romulus Summit at Clarenceville, 6:30 p.m.  
Luth. Westland at Liggett, 6:30 p.m.  
Huron Valley at Macomb Christian, 7 p.m.  
Saturday, Jan. 13  
Huron Valley Tournament, 9 a.m.  
East Kentwood Tournament, 9 a.m.  
UM-DeARBORN Invitational, 9 a.m.

### PREP HOCKEY

Friday, Jan. 12  
Stevenson vs. Salem at Edgar Arena, 6 p.m.  
Franklin vs. Canton at Arctic Edge, 8 p.m.  
Saturday, Jan. 13  
Churchill vs. W.L. Central at Lakeland Ice Arena, 3:20 p.m.  
Ladywood vs. G.P. South at Arctic Pond, 6:30 p.m.  
PREP WRESTLING  
Thursday, Jan. 11  
Franklin at Plymouth, 6 p.m.  
John Glenn at Churchill, 6:30 p.m.  
Stevenson at W.L. Northern, 6:30 p.m.  
Northville at Wayne, 6:30 p.m.  
Luth. Westland, Flat Rock at New Boston Huron, 6:30 p.m.  
Saturday, Jan. 13  
Garden City Novice Inv., 9:30 a.m.  
Napoleon Invitational, 9:30 a.m.  
Luth. Westland Invitational, 10 a.m.  
Novi-CC Invitational, 10 a.m.

### BOYS SWIMMING

Thursday, Jan. 11  
Franklin at Churchill, 7 p.m.  
Northville at Stevenson, 7 p.m.  
Friday, Jan. 12  
Wayne Invitational (Prelims), 3 p.m.  
Saturday, Jan. 13  
W. Bloomfield Invitational, 9 a.m.  
Salem Invitational, noon.  
Wayne Invitational, 1 p.m.  
PREP BOWLING  
Thursday, Jan. 11  
Wayne vs. Taylor Truman at Skore Lanes, 3:30 p.m.  
Saturday, Jan. 13  
Crestwood Inv. at Cherry Hill Lanes, TBA.

### GIRLS COMPETITIVE CHEER

Thursday, Jan. 11  
Lahser Invitational, 7 p.m.  
Saturday, Jan. 13  
Novi Invitational, 9 a.m.  
Berkley Invitational, TBA.

### MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Saturday, Jan. 13  
Macomb CC at Schoolcraft, 3 p.m.  
UM-DeARBORN at Madonna, 3 p.m.  
WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL  
Saturday, Jan. 13  
Macomb CC at Schoolcraft, 1 p.m.  
UM-DeARBORN at Madonna, 1 p.m.  
ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE  
Friday, Jan. 12  
Whalers at Saginaw Spirit, 7:11 p.m.  
Saturday, Jan. 13  
Whalers vs. Windsor Spitfires at Compuware Arena, 7:05 p.m.  
MAJOR INDOOR SOCCER LEAGUE  
Friday, Jan. 12  
Ignition vs. Milwaukee Wave at Compuware Arena, 7:35 p.m.  
Sunday, Jan. 14  
Ignition at Milwaukee Wave, 7:35 p.m.  
TBA - time to be announced.

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tion all-state point guard in basketball and reached the same level of all-state status in volleyball as a senior as a dominating middle hitter.

"I think playing so many sports in high school really helped me budget my time in college," Inman said. "But I think it's going to be really weird, especially during spring ball or during the pre-season in August. I won't be out there playing. I don't think that has sunk in just yet. I've always been playing

something."

Her Oxford teams were always in the hunt for Flint Metro League and district championships and she helped her basketball and volleyball teams reach the Class A state quarterfinals once each during her prep career.

She departed from Oxford with a rare 12 varsity letters at a Class A school and stepped right into the playing rotation at Madonna, which enjoyed tremendous success during her tenure.

The biology major, who hopes to teach and coach in the near future, must make some adjustments to her schedule in the upcoming months.

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# Chargers pass test at Grand Valley State Invitational

Crisp passing and stellar defense enabled the Livonia Churchill girls volleyball team to capture its second tournament of the season Saturday at the Grand Valley State University Invitational.

The Chargers improved to 17-1-1 overall with a 25-8, 23-25, 15-9 triumph over Howell. Churchill, ironically, opened

pool play with a 25-13, 25-13 win against Howell followed by victories over Coopersville (25-11, 25-20), Grand Rapids West Catholic (25-10, 25-15), Holt (25-16, 25-14) and Wyoming Tri-Unity Christian (29-27, 25-18).

"We passed wonderfully all day and as a result our five primary serve receivers provided us with great ball control,"

Churchill coach Mark Grenier said. "That gave our big bangers an opportunity to attack."

Senior Libero Kelly Archer had 105 digs on the day to lead Churchill. She also served 86-of-87 balls and served at 94 percent.

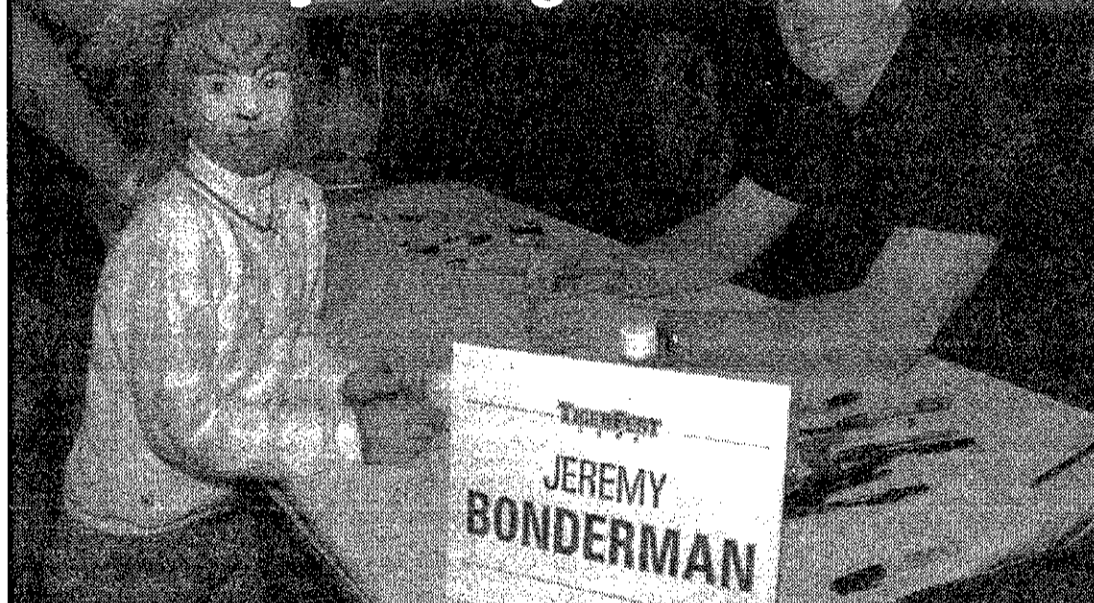
Senior setter Kelsey McKenzie finished with 116 assist-to-kills total with 31 digs

and 100 percent serving.

Churchill's top attackers on the day were senior Lauren Krupsky (75 kills) and junior Kyndra Abron (62 kills). The two combined for 10 blocks.

Other notables for the Chargers included: sophomore Shari Zakalowski, 10 digs, five kills, two blocks; junior Jackie Gribeck, six kills and four blocks; and freshman Sarah Suppelsa, four kills, four digs and 100 percent serving.

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Dave Chiola said. "We didn't have our strongest lineup in, but we have so much depth at some weights that it doesn't matter who we put in. We were neck-and-neck with Fordson all day, but we won 11 of 13 matches and in the final round, which won it for us."

Individual winners for the Patriots included Brandon Billiau (125), Brandon Smith (130), Jon Cauchi (135), Brian Rink (140), Marc Kadrich (171) and Pat Roumayah (189).

Runner-up finishers included Matt Hintz (130), Elvin Ferreira (152) and John Pisaneschi (145). Third went to Grant Phillips (112), Dan Woodall (160) and Vince Benavides (215).

"Last year here, we got 12 kids in the finals and only one champion," Chiola said. "Winning it this way was much better. We had some great matches in the final round, including Brian Rink at 140, which went to a third overtime against the Fordson kid (Faris

Fakhouri). We won several close matches through the day. Those are the type of matches we need win to accomplish our goals this year."

**Wyandotte tourney**

Livonia Churchill placed third and Wayne Memorial finished eighth in Saturday's 12-team Wyandotte Invitational won by Hartland.

Churchill's lone winner was 130-pounder Greg Roberts.

Other placers for the Chargers included Brian Ziembra (160), J.J. Vandenbosche (171) and Mark Parrish (285), thirds; Andrew Murray (125), Gramos Pallaska (140) and Danny Smalls (145), fourths; and Brian Fortney (103), Martin Rivera (119), Joey Tesner (125) and J.P. Gaffke, fifths.

Wayne's Chad Dunn took home the title at 103 pounds where is undefeated. (His only losses are at 112.)

In one of the top matches on the day, Hartland's top-ranked Zach Jones decisioned Wayne's Jamie Preiss, the Salem Invitational champ, by a point for the 119 title.

Jeff Elswick (171) added a sec-

ond at 171, losing only to Hartland in the finals. Jack Munice (130) contributed a fifth. "My varsity squad performed well," Wayne coach Steve Vasiloff said. "We continue to improve every week, and I believe it shows. I've got a small group of wrestlers, but they are a hard-working and dedicated group. It's a pleasure to coach such a great group of kids."

**Canton JV tourney**

Churchill garnered four individual titles at Saturday's Canton JV Tournament, led by Brett Appel (119), Adam Rowe (130), Josh Gustitus (135) and Eric Logan (152).

Jon Kelly (152) added a second, while Keith Roberts (119), Curtis Castleberry (160) and Johnny Shekell (215) contributed thirds.

Wayne freshman Mark Thompson garnered the 103 crown, while teammate Kevin Whittenberg was second at 125. Josh Mills (135) and Adam Lull (145) added fourths, while Brandon Whittenberg (130) bounced back from a first-round loss to win four straight matches and place fifth.

**LJAL baseball-softball**

Registration for Livonia Junior Athletic League baseball and girls fastpitch softball will be from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20, at the Frost Middle School cafeteria, located at 14041 Stark Road (north of Schoolcraft).

The program is open to boys and girls ages 8-14 who are residents of the City of Livonia or reside in the Livonia Public Schools district. The cost is \$85 per player.

For more information, e-mail LJAL commissioner Eric Carrier at [eric.carrier@ljal.com](mailto:eric.carrier@ljal.com).

**MU softball clinics**

Madonna University will stage two sessions of girls softball fundamentals clinics for ages 7-18 from noon to 2:30 p.m. Sundays, Jan. 14, 21, 28 and Feb. 4 (Session I); and from 9-11:30 a.m. Saturdays, Feb. 3, 10, 17 and 24 (Session II), at the MU Activities Building.

Specialized individual instruction is offered by MU women's softball coach Al White, the 2004 NAIA Region VIII and Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Coach of the Year.

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**WYAA hoop sign up**

Limited openings remain for Westland Youth Athletic Association boys basketball for Right Start (ages 7-8) and Junior varsity (11-12), along with numerous opens in girls basketball (ages 9-11, 12-14, 15-17).

Registration will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday at the WYAA Lange Building, 6050 Farmington Road (north of Ford Road).

For more information, call (734) 421-0640.

**Soccer sign up**

Spring 2007 registration is underway for the Wayne-Westland Soccer League.

Forms are available at the Westland Bailey Recreation Center, 36651 Ford Road, or at the Wayne Recreation Center, 4635 Howe Road.

Late fees begin Sunday, Jan.

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21 with Sunday, Feb. 21 as the final day for registration. No registration will be processed unless all requirements are fulfilled. Uniform kits must be purchased by all players this season if you did not purchase one in the fall.

Monthly information meetings will be at 8:15 p.m. Monday, Jan. 8 and Feb. 12 at the Bailey Center.

Upcoming WWSL events include bottle drive, cookie dough sales, Fourth of July parade (float volunteers needed), along with annual picnic and fun day for all registered spring players. The season is capped by an annual banquet for all fall players in November.

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**Hoops challenge**

The 2007 Michigan Recreation and Parks Association Hoops Challenge, sponsored by the City of Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation, will be Friday, Feb. 23 at the Livonia Community Recreation Center, located at 15100 Hubbard (at Five Mile Road).

Registration, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., is free.

Awards will be given to the first- and second-place finishers in the following age groups for boys and girls: 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15.

Winners advance to one of five area levels of competition with the state championship Sunday, April 15 at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

For more information, call (734) 466-2410.

**Livonia Y hoops**

The Livonia Family YMCA will stage a high school winter basketball league (Jan. 14-Feb. 25).

Registration is ongoing and prices vary depending on membership and age.

For more information, call the YMCA at (734) 261-2161.

**Youth tennis classes**

The Livonia Community Recreation Center, located at 15100 Hubbard (at Five Mile Road), will offer upcoming tennis classes for youths ages 4-10 with all skill levels welcome.

Among the classes offered

include: Preschool (ages 4-5), 4:30-5 p.m. Wednesdays; Intro to Tennis (ages 6-10), 5:10-6 p.m. Wednesdays; and Intro to Tennis II (ages 6-10), 5-5:50 p.m. Mondays.

For registration information, call (734) 466-2900, or visit the Web Site [www.ci.livonia.mi.us](http://www.ci.livonia.mi.us).

**Futsal skills clinic**

A seven-week Futsal skills class for soccer, a Brazilian style developing better body awareness and movement in a five-on-five environment, will be at 11 a.m. (boys and girls ages 5-10) and 11:45 a.m. (boys and girls ages 11-16) on Sundays, Jan. 14 through Feb. 25, at the Livonia Community Recreation Center's MAC Gym.

The cost is \$35 for LCRC pass holders; \$46 for residents; and \$55 for non-residents.

Walk-in registration will be at the LCRC, located at 15100 Hubbard (at Five Mile Road). You can also register online at [www.ci.livonia.mi.us](http://www.ci.livonia.mi.us); or by fax at (734) 466-2929; or by e-mail.

For more information, call (734) 466-2900.

**Indoor triathlon**

The Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation will stage an indoor triathlon beginning at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 4 at the Livonia Community Recreation Center, located at 15100 Hubbard (at Five Mile Road).

The event includes a 20-minute swim, 20-minute stationary bike and 20-minute treadmill run (with a 10-minute transition time between each interval). Scoring will be determined by total distance covered in all three events.

Awards will be given to the top male and female finishers in each of the following age groups: 18-30, 31-40, 41-50, 51-60 and 61-and-over.

The \$25 entry fee includes T-shirt and refreshments.

Walk-in registration will be at the LCRC, located at 15100 Hubbard (at Five Mile Road). You can also register online at [www.ci.livonia.mi.us](http://www.ci.livonia.mi.us); or by fax at (734) 466-2929; or by e-mail. The entry deadline is 5 p.m. Monday, Jan. 29.

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125: Brandon Billiau (LF) p. Tyler Twigg (GC), 0:27; 3rd: Colin Clark (Farm.) dec. Tom Cada (Gab. Richard), 9-4.  
130: Brandon Smith (LF) dec. Matt Hintz (LF), 7-4; 3rd: Spencer Moore (SL) p. Jacob Barnes (DC), 4:30.  
135: Jon Cauchi (LF) won by major dec. over Kyle Muller (Farm.), 12-4; 3rd: Steven Cieslik (LW) dec. Hussein Mansour (DF), 11-4.  
140: Brian Rink (LF) dec. Faris Fakhouri (DF), 3-1 (overtime); 3rd: Ryan Mendez (Gab. Richard) p. Ryan Richter (LW), 2:30.  
145: Matt Edwards (LW) dec. John Pisaneschi (LF), 8-2; 3rd: Dennis Villarreal (Farm.) p. Lythe Natour (DF), 2:25.  
152: Steve Kemp (LW) dec. Elvin Ferreira (LF), 8-2; 3rd: Hassen Berry (DF) p. Quentin Desaeger (Farm.), 3:38.  
160: Aaron Doikowski (DC) dec. Omar

Jadallah, 3-1; 3rd: Dan Woodall (LF) dec. Matt Higley (Farm.), 11-6.  
171: Marc Kadrich (LF) dec. Mike Nordby (GC), 7-5 (OT); 3rd: David Firlk (Gab. Richard) dec. Ali Berry (DF), 8-7.  
189: Pat Roumayah (LF) dec. Jabree Naser (DF), 12-6; 3rd: Pat Mullins (Gab. Richard) dec. Don Puczkowski (Ford. B.), 8-7.  
215: Joe Selonke (DC) dec. Osama Ayad (DF), 8-2; 3rd: Vince Benavides (LF) dec. Paul Rockrohr (LW), 6-3.  
285: Youssef Douliani (DF) p. Scott Serrico (DC), 1:20; 3rd: Joe Schroeder (Gab. Richard) dec. Alban Gjetaj (Farm.), 8-3.

**MOST VALUABLE PLAYERS**  
103-130: Mahydain Nasser (DF), 103; 135-160: Matt Edwards (LW), 145; 171-285: Joe Selonke (DC), 212.  
Hustler Award: Dan Pniewski (LW), 119 (4 pins; 3:12).

**PREP WRESTLING RANKINGS**

**OBSERVERLAND INVITATIONAL WRESTLING RANKINGS** (as of Jan. 8)  
**TEAM:** 1. Canton; 2. Livonia Franklin; 3. Belleville; 4. Westland John Glenn; 5. Livonia Churchill.  
**INDIVIDUAL**  
103 pounds: 1. Namic Kerimov, Farmington; 2. Tommy Myshock, Livonia Stevenson; 3. Chad Dunn, Wayne Memorial; 4. Donnie Watkins, Canton; 5. Brad LaRose, Lutheran Westland.  
112: 1. Justin Fleeson, Belleville; 2. Carl Lucke, Canton; 3. Ben Kosmalki, Plymouth; 4. Dustin Ashley, Garden City; 5. Jared Pleknik, Livonia Franklin.  
119: 1. Jamie Preiss, Wayne; 2. Jared Stephens, John Glenn; 3. Nieko Ianni, Novi-Detroit Catholic Central; 4. Martin Rivera, Churchill; 5. Seth Wald, North Farmington.  
125: 1. Dustin Zak, Belleville; 2. Jerimiah Austin, John Glenn; 3. Jon Roos, Franklin; 4. Nick Shak, John Glenn; 5. Alex Kemp, Salem.  
135: 1. Jon Reale, Stevenson; 2. Brian Augsburger, Belleville; 3. J.P. Gaffke, Churchill; 4. Kevin Hayter, Salem; 5. Jon Cauchi, Franklin.  
140: 1. Corey Phillips, Canton; 2. Jim Wood, John Glenn; 3. Steve Coak, Belleville; 4. Gramos Pallaska, Churchill; 5. Derek Robbins, Livonia Clarenceville.  
145: 1. Matt Edwards, Lutheran Westland; 2. Adam Kibner, RU; 3. Steve Sherman, Belleville; 4. Dan McCall, John Glenn; 5. Jason Zanger, Franklin.  
152: 1. Steve Kemp, Lutheran Westland; 2. James Zerebiny, John Glenn; 3. Jeremy Epley, Salem; 4. Ryan Brown, Novi-Detroit CC; 5. Brian Wisniewski, Garden City.  
160: 1. Ziad Kharbush, Stevenson; 2. Nate

Turco, Franklin; 3. Wassim El-Awadi, Belleville; 4. Kiel Price, Canton; 5. Brian Ziembra, Churchill.  
171: 1. Jeff Elswick, Wayne; 2. Dan Woodall, Franklin; 3. Andrew Hein, John Glenn; 4. Mike Nordby, Garden City; 5. Isaac Burris, RU.  
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215: 1. Shamir Garcia, John Glenn; 2. Matt Aubrey, Novi-Detroit CC; 3. Vince Benavides, Franklin; 4. Paul Rockrohr, Lutheran Westland; 5. Dan Wanshon, Canton.  
285: 1. Donnie Laramie, Canton; 2. Kyle Brown, Franklin; 3. Mike Martin, Novi-Detroit CC; 4. Dean Hubbard, Plymouth; 5. Robert Coffey, Wayne.  
Note: Rankings are compiled by Jim Gourley (Franklin) and Aaron Davis (Garden City).

**PREP GIRLS GYMNASTICS RESULTS**

**GIRLS GYMNASTICS DUAL MEET RESULTS**  
Jan. 8 at Churchill High School  
**TEAM SCORES:** Livonia Blue, 143.55; Livonia Red, 142.50; Walled Lake Central, 127.55; Walled Lake Western-Northern, 122.55.  
**INDIVIDUAL RESULTS**  
Vault: 1. Paula Guzik (Red), 9.55; 2. Emily Quint (Blue), 9.25; 3. Andrea Pisani (Red), 9.05; 4. (tie) Laura Nomura (Blue) and Meghan Powers (Blue), 9.0 each.  
Uneven bars: 1. Quint (Blue), 9.15; 2. Powers (Blue), 9.1; 3. (tie) Pisani (Red) and Guzik (Red), 9.05 each; 5. Dalia Shafie (Blue), 8.9.  
Balance beam: 1. Pisani (Red), 9.65; 2. Quint (Blue), 9.5; 3. Guzik (Red), 9.4; 4. Hannah Saarano (WLW-N), 9.2; 5. Nomura (Blue), 9.1.

Floor exercise: 1. Quint (Blue), 9.55; 2. Pisani (Red), 9.5; 3. Guzik (Red), 9.3; 4. Nomura (Blue), 9.2; 5. (tie) Alicia DiMauro (Red) and Powers (Blue), 9.05 each.  
All-around: 1. Quint (Blue), 37.35; 2. Guzik (Red), 37.3; 3. Pisani (Red), 37.25; 4. Powers (Blue), 36.10; 5. Nomura (Blue), 34.95.  
Dual meet records: Livonia Blue, 3-D overall; Livonia Red, 2-1 overall.

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- 13 Gouda cousin
- 14 Slugger
- 15 Two-striper
- 16 Looking up to
- 18 Goodyear's home
- 20 Zoo transport
- 21 Oz aunt
- 22 House buzzer
- 23 Little rascals
- 27 Supplement
- 29 Old curse word
- 30 Suggestions
- 31 West Coast st.
- 32 Get tangled
- 33 Batting stat
- 34 Musical scale note
- 35 Web-footed mammal
- 37 Work diligently
- 38 Like cool cats

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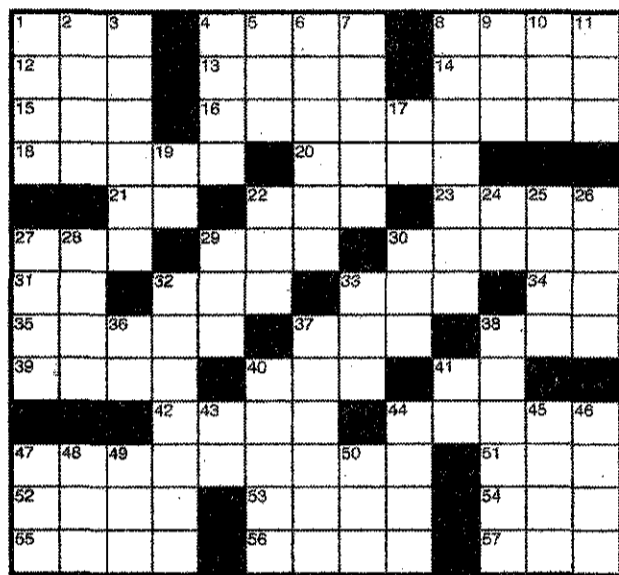
- 1 Lucy Lawless role
- 2 Wrestling hold
- 3 Sowed logs
- 4 "— here long?"
- 5 Passports, etc.
- 6 Tell on
- 7 Common abrasive
- 8 Plowing into
- 9 Set down
- 40 CAT scan relative
- 41 Firm, briefly
- 42 Game plan
- 44 Tool for boring
- 47 Food
- 51 Prefix for dent
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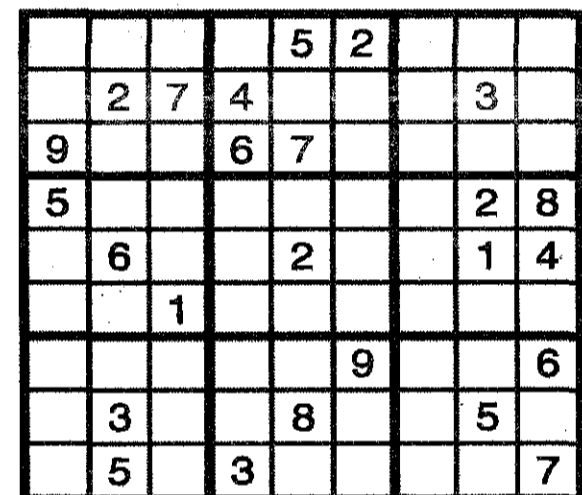


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- 9 Yale athlete
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- 11 Yank
- 12 Per
- 19 Mystic sound
- 22 In good shape
- 24 Cop on base
- 25 Safe to drink
- 26 Porch adjunct
- 27 Wanted GI
- 28 CD contents
- 29 A long way off
- 30 Climbing plant
- 32 Annual exam
- 33 Husband of Fatima
- 36 Polynesian plant
- 37 Pat on the back
- 38 Incapacitate
- 40 Excellence
- 41 Copper, to a chemist
- 43 Tour — force
- 44 Type of prof
- 45 Fish-eating eagle
- 46 Skater's haunt
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- 50 One, to Fritz



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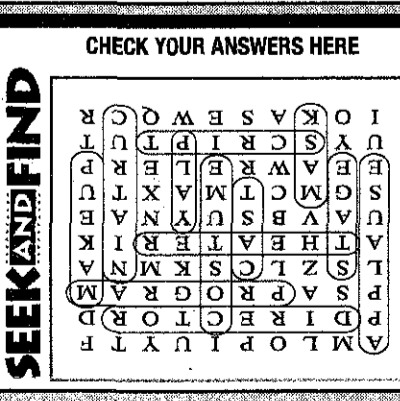
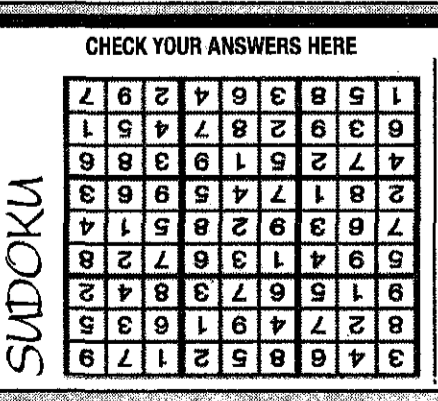
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