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Maj. Grayson Story

Glenn grad in running for D.C. job

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Ron Story is as proud as he can be after finding out that his son Grayson, a major in the U.S. Marine Corps, is in the running for the 2008-09 White House Fellows program.

Story is among 32 men and women who are national finalists for the prestigious leadership and public service program.

"It's looking good, the list is down to 32 and he's still in it," the Westland resident said. "This is good stuff."

The White House Fellows program was founded in 1964 by President Lyndon Johnson to offer "exceptional men and women first hand experience working at the highest levels of the federal government."

According to Ron Story, his son, a 1992 graduate of John Glenn High School and 1996 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, was encouraged to apply for the program about six to eight months ago. He's made it through regional selection to national finalist and will find out in mid-June if he is a member of the class of 2008-09.

If accepted into the program, Grayson Story can request four or five different areas like the Department of State or National Security Agency. His first choice, his father said, would be the NSA.

"If I understand it right, this is like a think tank," Ron Story said. "If there's a decision to be made, it's run through the fellows, who look at four or more courses of action and tell them which is the best one. The fellows do the deep thinking for the highest echelons of government."

Grayson Story received his bachelor of science degree in international political science from the Naval Academy and a master of business administration degree from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, Calif.

According to his father, when his son graduated from the academy, he threw his hat in the air, then went into the locker room,

Please see **STORY, A3**

Court will beef up security for hearing

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

In a show of emotion, a murder defendant charged in the strangling death of his former Westland girlfriend slammed his hands against a courtroom table Thursday as he appeared for a preliminary hearing that has been delayed for a month.

The sudden move by 25-year-old Robert James-The-First Howard startled courtroom spectators and prompted measures for heightened security when he returns June 26 to Westland 18th District Court for a hearing that

will determine whether he should stand trial for first-degree murder.

Howard, jailed without bond, will face life in prison if he's convicted of killing 21-year-old Laci Green, who had broken off their relationship. Her body was found around 6:30 a.m. May 7 in the Hawley-Glenwood area on the city's southwest side, near the Millpointe subdivision where she lived with her parents.

Dressed in a green Wayne County jail uniform, Howard appeared Thursday morning for a preliminary hearing in front of 18th District Judge Sandra Ference Cicirelli. However, tes-

timony was delayed until June 26 after defense attorney Bertram Johnson asked for more time to review the allegations and details of the investigation.

Family members of Green and Howard sat in the courtroom. Green's mother, Barbara, wiped tears from her eyes, 15 days after she lost a daughter who worked at the Motor City Casino hotel while studying nursing at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

Family friend Sheila Noon had said during Howard's arraignment May 9 that Green had ended a rocky relationship more than a month before she was killed, "and it was the best thing she

could ever have done."

Howard had gone to Green's house a few hours before she was killed, police Sgt. Steve Borisch has said, and the two had gone for a walk around 3:30 a.m. Green never came home, and her body was found after her parents became concerned and called police.

Green was a graduate of Wayne Memorial High School. Howard has described himself in court as being unemployed and living with his mother before his arrest. A not-guilty plea has been entered for him.

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Three-year-old August Mullins (center) of Westland proudly rides her bicycle with her McKinley Co-Op Preschool classmates in the Trike-A-Thon for St. Jude Hospital.

Ride on: Trike-A-Thon helps St. Jude

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER



Three-year-old Avori Bartush peddles her big wheel around the cones at the McKinley preschool Trike-A-Thon.

Twenty-four youngsters put their feet to work, raising more than \$1,200 for St. Jude Children Research Hospital, in a Trike-A-Thon that's become an annual event for the McKinley Cooperative Preschool.

Parents lined the oval track marked off with orange cones in the parking lot of Good Shepherd Reformed Church, watching youngsters peddle their three-wheelers and bicycles with and without training wheels.

"She hasn't stopped," Chris Swisher said as daughter Jessica zoomed around the track. "She's like I'm on a mission."

The Westland resident's other daughter Anna dropped out after she got tired and cold "and she wanted

the special treat," her mother said.

Also zooming around the track was Jack Kadoguchi, 5, of Garden City.

"We'll be lucky if we get him inside by three or four (o'clock)," his mother Jean said.

The Trike-A-Thon was a learning experience for the youngsters. In addition to gathering pledges for riding, they worked on getting their bicycle licenses and stickers and received a safety coloring book.

Teach Carol Miles has done the event for three years and is pleased with the response of parents.

"We more than doubled the money we raised last year," she said. "Right now we're at \$1,200 and counting and I think we'll be close to \$1,500. We had one family raise \$400 and several raised \$75 to \$100."

In the past, the youngsters could ride as long as they wanted, but

this year it was limited to one hour because Miles had an afternoon class to teach.

Since the ride took place at noon, youngsters enjoyed a pizza lunch donated by Domino's, Jet's Pizza and Subway. Absopur donated the water.

The day was overcast and threatened rain, but it held off for the ride. According to Miles, the backup plan was to run around a track set up in the church.

"It wouldn't have been as much fun," she said.

As the number of riders dwindled, Roberta Summer of Wayne watched her son Xavier, 5, continue to peddle.

"He'll keep riding and riding and riding. He'll wait until you tell the other boys to get off their bikes," she said.

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Summer concert series returns for 23rd season

It's a sure way to enjoy summer evenings without spending a fortune to gas up the tank for a getaway.

The Westland Cultural Society has rolled out its 23rd annual summer concert series, which happens at 6 p.m. Sundays in the performance pavilion behind the city's public library, on Central City Parkway between Warren and Ford. The shows are free.

The Waco Country Band with Dean Stacy will start the concert series on June 8, followed by the Novi Concert Band playing a variety of music on June 22.

The June 29 slot hasn't yet been filled, but the series will continue with the Tommy James Orchestra's big band music on July 13, the Birmingham Straw Hat Band

playing Dixieland, polkas and marches on July 20, and the Bandura Bridge with Mitch Mann performing Bluegrass music on July 27.

In August, Stolen Moments will perform classics and standards on Aug. 3, Pam & Scott will play easy listening music on Aug. 10, and the Tyrone Hamilton All-Stars will perform rhythm and blues and light rock on Aug. 17.

Concert-goers are encouraged to bring chairs or blankets. Shows that are rained out will be rescheduled whenever possible.

For more information, call (734) 722-7620 or (734) 522-3918. The concert series is sponsored by the Westland City Council with help from the city's Parks and Recreation Department.

Wayne Memorial hosts college fair

Parents of students thinking about college can get information from about 40 different universities, colleges and technical schools at a College Fair Wednesday, May 28, in the media center of Wayne Memorial High School.

Representatives from the University of Michigan, Ohio State University and Michigan State University will join their counterparts from Albion, Davenport and Siena Heights Wayne State, Central Michigan, Oakland and Eastern Michigan. Also on hand will be Wayne County Community College District, Schoolcraft College and Henry Ford Community

College, to name a few.

The fair, for families living in the Wayne-Westland Community School District, will be 4:30 and 8 p.m. at the high school on Glenwood at Fourth Street, east of Wayne Road, in Wayne. Parents and students should use the Fourth Street media center door to enter the building.

The fair, a collaborative effort of the high school's Upward Bound program and counseling office, will also have two breakout sessions, one focusing on the growth in health occupations and the other on 15 tips to ensure a successful college experience.

Westland man faces trial in Internet sting operation

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER



Hughes

A Westland man, charged in an Internet child predator sting, will face trial for allegations he tried to solicit sex with a 14-year-old girl and sent sexually explicit materials to her.

Jason Hughes, 25, faces trial after he waived his preliminary hearing Thursday in Westland 18th District Court on one count of using the Internet to accost and solicit a minor for immoral

purposes and one count of disseminating sexually explicit materials to the girl.

If convicted, Hughes could face penalties ranging up to 10 years in prison. A not-guilty plea has been entered for him.

His defense attorney, Norman Kohlstrand, declined to comment when

reached by telephone Friday. "I refuse to try a case in the press," he said.

Hughes was one of 11 defendants named Thursday by state Attorney General Mike Cox's office, which made arrests with help from other law enforcement agencies.

"This Internet predator sting was unique," Cox said in a prepared statement.

"Most focus only on those predators that travel. Not so with this project. If you solicit a child for sex or send

sexually graphic material to a youngster, you do not escape prosecution just because you never got off your couch."

Hughes is accused of chatting online with an investigator posing as a 14-year-old girl, according to Rusty Hills, a spokesman for Cox's office.

As he awaits trial in Wayne County Circuit Court, Hughes has been released from jail after posting \$500 toward a \$5,000/10 percent bond.

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AROUND WESTLAND

Holiday closings

Due to the Memorial Day holiday on Monday, May 26, city offices, the 18th District Court, William P. Faust Public Library and the Bailey Recreation Center will be closed. The Bailey pool, however, which will open for the season. There will also be no rubbish pickup on Memorial Day. Service will be delayed one day for the rest of the week.

Bound for Olympics

The Westland Parks and Recreation Department's Westland Stars is inviting dance teams, studios and community recreation dancers to join them in competing in the dance division of this summer's Amateur Athletic Union Junior Olympic Games. The event is open to teams and individuals in standard dance - jazz, tap, ballet, lyrical hip hop etc.) ballroom/swing, and clogging.

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Games will take place July 23-Aug. 2 in the metro Detroit area. The dance event will be held at the Allen Park Performing Arts Center July 28-30. Information can be found at www.aausports.org.

Blood drive

The Wayne-Westland Federal Credit Union will hold an American Red Cross blood drive 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, May 30, at its offices on Wayne Road south of Cherry Hill. Call Jenny Hale at (734) 721-5700 to schedule a blood donation appointment. Walk-ins also are welcome.

Dem club meets

The Westland Democratic Club will be considering

candidate endorsements when the group meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 27, at the Dorsey Center, 32715 Dorsey, just east of Venoy between Palmer and Michigan Avenue. The board will meet at 6:30 p.m. immediately prior to the meeting.

Car wash

The Lutheran Church of Our Savior will hold a free car wash 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, May 31, at the church at 29425 Annapolis, Westland. The church also holds a community forum 7-8:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month. For more information, call (734) 728-3440.

Flea market

The parking lot of Westland Bowl on Wayne Road north of Ford will be the site of four flea weekend flea markets, beginning Saturday, Sunday, May 31-June 1. Vendors can reserve a spot for \$10 a day. Table rental is \$5 for a six-foot table. Spaces measure 9 1/2 feet by 18 feet. Flea mar-

kets also will be held June 28-29, July 12-13 and Aug. 9-10. Hours are 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For information or to reserve a spot, call Tara at (734) 732-6895.

Memorial balloon launch

Vermeulen Funeral Homes is inviting people to attend one of two very special Celebrations of Life Memorial Services that will be held in Westland and Plymouth. There will be a special tribute to the memory of loved one during the Celebration of Life balloon launch. Friends and family members, even the little ones, are invited to participate.

The first memorial balloon launch service will beat 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 28, at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 980 N. Newburgh, Westland. The second service will be at 7 p.m. Sunday, June 1, at the Vermeulen Funeral Home at 46401 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth.

To participate, call (734) 459-2250 by Sunday, June 1.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE WAYNE-WESTLAND COMMUNITY SCHOOLS PROPOSED 2008-09 BUDGET MONDAY, JUNE 9, 2008

Please take notice that, on June 9, 2008 at 7 o'clock p.m. at 36745 Marquette, Westland, Michigan, the Board of Education of the Wayne-Westland Community Schools will hold a public hearing to consider the District's proposed 2008-09 budget.

The Board may not adopt its proposed 2008-09 budget until after the public hearing. A copy of the proposed 2008-09 budget, including the proposed property tax millage rate, is available for public inspection during normal business hours at 36745 Marquette, Westland, Michigan.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

MARTHA K. PITSENBARGER, Secretary

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Bird watching is currently one of the most popular sports in America. You can put as much or as little into the sport as you like, but really, you only have to go as far as your own backyard. Add a birdbath, a couple of birdhouses and/or a feeder, and in no time, the birds will come!

Books such as "The Backyard Bird Feeder's Bible" by Sally Roth or "The Backyard Birdbath" by Rene Laubach will get you started.

Bird gardening is also gaining popularity. By planting trees, shrubs and flowers that produce food for birds, you not only provide the birds with a healthy, safe, nutritious environment, you get the pleasure of observing their beauty and whimsy at the same time. The library owns "Birdscaping in the Midwest" by Mariette Nowak, "Gardening for Wildlife" by Craig Tufts and

"Stokes Bird Gardening Book" by Donald Stokes.

For the serious gardener, a water garden also is an option that will attract even more birds. Take a look at "Garden Pools, Fountains and Waterfalls" by Rich Binsacca, "Water Gardens: Everything You Need to Create a Garden" by Richard Bird or "Popular Pond Plants" by Philip Swindells.

Don't just look at our books. "Birds, Birds, Birds: An Indoor Birdwatching Field Trip" is a popular DVD. We also have many videos on birdwatching, such as "The Backyard Bird Watcher: How to Create a Wild Bird Sanctuary." If you would like to learn to identify birds by their songs, you will want to check out the CD "Birding by Ear: A Guide to Sound Identification" or the cassette, "53 All-American Bird Songs and Calls."

For more information on bird watching, or on any other subject, give us a call at (734) 326-6123 or stop by the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland at 6123 Central City Parkway. Our Web site is www.westland.lib.mi.us.

Highlighted Activities

Science Fiction and Fantasy Discussion Group: 7 p.m. May 28. Arthur Conan Doyle is best known for Sherlock Holmes, but he did write other

books. This month we discuss his science fiction work, "When the World Screamed." Anyone with an interest in the genre is welcome, but please read the book, if you decide to attend. If you can't come in person, why not check us out electronically, at our blog at sfwestlandlibmius.blogspot.com.

Adult Poetry Group: 3 p.m. June 2. Interested in reading, discussing, and writing poetry? Please join us for one of our sessions, whether you're a first-time writer or a serious wordsmith. Sign up at the Reference Desk or by e-mail at andy.schuck@westland.lib.mi.us

Computer Classes: Internet 201 at 2 p.m. May 29 and Internet 101 at 7 p.m.

Check the flyer in the library for a complete description and requirements for all classes. All computer classes are hands-on. Space is limited. Register in advance at the Reference Desk at by calling (734) 326-6123.

Summer Reading Program is coming soon! Circle your calendar for Saturday, June 14.

Information Central was compiled by reference librarian Janet Sowards. The William P. Faust Public Library is at 6123 Central City Parkway, Westland. For more information, call (734) 326-6123.



Oasis, Allure: His choices win ship-naming contest

BY GENE SLOAN
USA TODAY

The largest cruise ships ever built will be called Oasis of the Seas and Allure of the Seas — names dreamed up by George Weiser, 53, of Livonia.

Royal Caribbean announced last Thursday that Weiser has won its four-month Name That Ship Contest to title the next two Royal Caribbean vessels. The automotive designer for Ford Motor Company was the first USA TODAY reader to submit the pair of names during the contest, which was held at USA TODAY's online site devoted to cruising, The Cruise Log (cruises.usatoday.com).

In all, more than 91,000 people submitted names during the contest to name the next generation of Royal Caribbean ships — to be called the Oasis class. The contest marks the first time that a cruise line has invited the public to name a vessel.

"I don't think we would have come up with Oasis and Allure on our own," said Royal Caribbean CEO Adam Goldstein. "They were great

names."

Goldstein noted that the names are related phonetically, both beginning with a vowel. They also both tie into the concept of attraction — an oasis being something to which one is attracted, while allure is another way of saying attraction.

"They both relate to attractions, and there are going to be a lot of attractions on this ship," he said.

The names of ships at Royal Caribbean and other lines traditionally are chosen by top executives in consultation with marketing and sales experts, and Goldstein said opening the process to the public was a risk. The only requirement was that entries end in "of the Seas," a tradition at the 21-ship line.

Weiser, who is married with two grown children, learned he was the winner last Friday in a call from Royal Caribbean.

"I was speechless," he said, adding that he got the call at work. "To be honest, I don't really remember the drive home. I hope I stopped at all the red lights."

Weiser wasn't the only reader

to think up the names Oasis of the Seas and Allure of the Seas. Of the more than 180,000 names submitted (each entrant could submit two names), Oasis was the 25th most common suggestion (picked by 816). Allure was submitted 803 times, making it the 26th most common choice.

Weiser was among six finalists in the contest announced last month. Royal Caribbean also is awarding a Grand Prize to another finalist, Jennifer Conley of Robertsville, Mo., who submitted the pair of names Mystique of the Seas and Allure of the Seas. Conley's picks had the second highest score among the judges. The contest rules called for two Grand Prize winners.

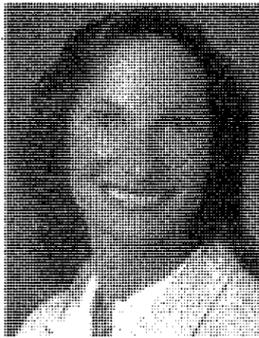
Weiser had never sailed on a cruise when he entered the contest in January. But along with the other finalists, he was flown to Southampton late last month for a two-night cruise on Royal Caribbean's newly launched Independence of the Seas — the prize for finalists. Now, he says he's hooked.

"It (was) far beyond my expectations," he said.



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"The Mobile Branch Office

offers Garden City and nearby residents a convenient option to conduct their Department of State business," said Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land. "I hope residents take advantage of this opportunity."

The facility is a full-serve Secretary of State branch office and is accessible to people with disabilities. It is hauled statewide on a 24-foot trailer that

has logged more than 125,000 miles since it first hit the road more than 10 years ago.

Before visiting any branch office, Land encouraged all customers who have Internet access to check out the department's online services at www.Michigan.gov/sos. Vehicle license tabs and watercraft registrations also can be renewed online.

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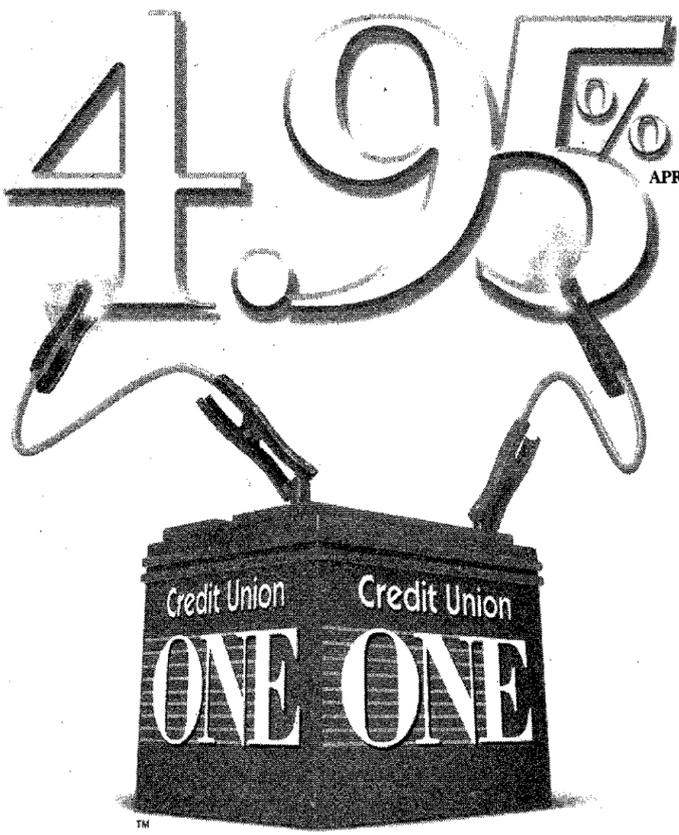
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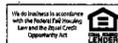
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Cancer survivor enjoys 'a little pampering'

The Buddy's Pizza/Observer & Eccentric Newspapers Dining with the Stars closed out another season last Wednesday with guest celeb Ruth Spencer of WDIV (Channel 4).

Teresa Stankoff of Livonia won the May contest and was treated to lunch with Spencer at Buddy's Pizza in Farmington Hills.

Spencer selected Stankoff's entry from among five finalists.

"I want to dine with Ruth because I absolutely love her and I love Buddy's Pizza," wrote Stankoff, a breast cancer survivor and the 45-year-old mother of two girls ages 11 and 13.

"I am a breast cancer survivor, stage 2, diagnosed in 2006. I also carry the BRCA 1 gene. It has been a long road. Eight rounds of chemo every other week, 30 treatments of radiation and four surgeries

— not to mention looking like Uncle Fester for a few months," Stankoff wrote.

"I look at life differently. I want to experience everything! Everyday is a great day because I am blessed to see it. I have already walked through the worst storm. I know my time with Ruth will be so much fun and I could use a little pampering."

Stankoff got her wish for a little pampering. She was treated to a makeover by Sebastian and makeup by Hiba, both of I Design in Dearborn. In addition, Stankoff was chauffeured to Buddy's in a limo ride courtesy of All Class Transportation & Limousine Services.

"It was just me and my iPod. I felt like a rock star," Stankoff said.

She also received a \$100 gift certificate to the Reaver Diamond Co. in Southfield, and a dance exhibition courtesy of Fred Astaire Dance Studio in

Bloomfield Hills. Stankoff said she accepted a mini-lesson from one of the dancers because she "wants to enjoy life."

Spencer and Stankoff spent near two hours talking and shared a salad. Stankoff left with pizza for the whole family, balloons and smiling from ear to ear, said Marcy Brontman of Buddy's.

"Teresa has a real zest for life," said Brontman, the organizer of Dining with the Stars. "Her energy seems to inspire everyone she meets."

In addition to anchoring Local 4 News at 4 p.m. and 5 p.m., Spencer is an Emmy award-winning consumer investigator. With her "Ruth to the Rescue" reports, she has helped thousands of consumers find solutions to their complaints about a business, product or service.

Prior to that, Spencer was a general assignment reporter for WDIV.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Ruth Spencer and Teresa Stankoff watch Karla Pinet and Leo Sidorenko, of the Fred Astaire Dance Studio.

Buddy's Pizza reviews all entries for Dining With The Stars and selects the top four to five letters. The star featured for the month makes the final selection.



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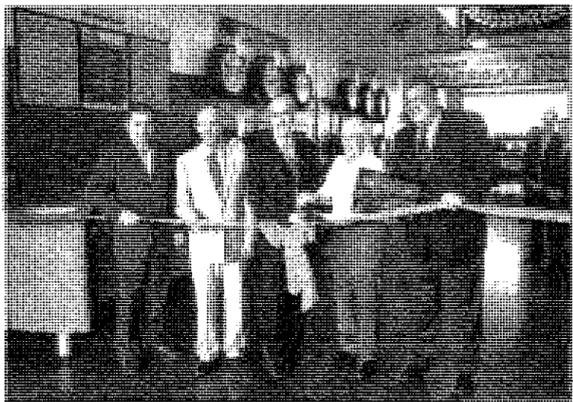
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TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Wellness programs focus on healthy living

Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster Road, offers a weekly schedule of health and wellness programs for residents. The lineup this week includes:

Tuesday, May 27

Get Up and Move at 9 a.m., 3 and 4 p.m. This is an invigorating exercise program designed to help you get up and get moving, and is the perfect compliment to your diet program. These classes will help you to make an easy transition back to an exercise program or help you to get started for the first time. Fee is \$30 per month. For more information, call (734) 458-3242.

Diabetes Self-Management Education (fourth of four classes) at 9:30 a.m. This comprehensive series is planned to help people Live Well With Diabetes. Participants learn self-care skills of nutrition, exercise, medication management, monitoring of blood sugar levels, foot and skin care, prevention of problems and psychosocial issues. Physician referral is required. There is a fee, but reimbursement is available by Medicare, Medicaid and most commercial insurance plans. Call (734) 458-3481 for more information or to register.

Strength and Stretch at 2 p.m. This is a non-aerobic exercise class designed to help you strengthen and define your muscles, as well as increase your flexibility. Each class will combine a variety of equipment, including free weights, medicine balls, balance balls, and Therabands in order to isolate and tone each of the major muscle groups. Fee is \$30 per month. For more information, call (734) 458-3242.

Yoga (fourth of four classes) at 4 p.m. Learn how to relax, stretch and breathe while creating balance, strength and flexibility for both the body and mind. This four-week session is \$32. Classes meet at Garden City Hospital's Cardiac Rehab. Call (734) 458-3242 for details and to register.

Wednesday, May 28

Exercise Express 12:30 p.m. Thirty minutes of exercise including cardio, strength training and stretching. Exercise at your own comfort level. Get in, get out and get on with your day. Fee is \$30 per month or a \$5 drop-in fee. Call (734) 458-3242 for more information.

CPAP and BIPAP Mask Fitting Clinic at 5 p.m. Attention CPAP and BIPAP users: Did you know that most insurances cover new supplies every year? Have you been wanting to try a new style of mask, but don't know how to get one? Visit the Sleep Disorders Center of Michigan, 35600 Central City Parkway, Suite 103, Westland, 5-6 p.m. any Wednesday for a free mask fitting clinic. No appointment is needed. Call (734) 458-3330 with any questions or for more information.

First Aid (ARC) at 6 p.m. This American Red Cross class teaches how to care for injuries, sudden illness and other emergencies at home or on the job. Content includes bandage and splinting, bleeding, burns, poison, shock, wounds, seizures, fractures, diabetes, stroke, heart attack and heat/cold emergencies. This class is offered at Garden City Hospital's Health & Education Center at 6701 Harrison, just north of Maplewood. There is a \$25 fee. Participants will receive a three year certification upon successful completion. Call (734) 458-4330 for more information or to register.

Diabetes Self-Management Education (second of four classes) at 6:30 p.m. This comprehensive series is planned to help people Live Well With Diabetes. Participants learn self-care skills of nutrition, exercise, medication management, monitoring of blood sugar levels, foot and skin care, prevention of problems and psychosocial issues. Physician referral is required. There is a fee, but reimbursement is available by Medicare, Medicaid and most commercial insurance plans. Call (734) 458-3481 for more information or to register.

Eating Disorders Support Group at 7 p.m. This support group is for those individuals with anorexia, bulimia, and compulsive and binge eating disorders. Both males and females are invited to attend. This meeting is held in the Garden City Hospital Auditorium. Call (734) 458-4330 for more information.

Thursday, May 29

Get Up and Move at 9 a.m., 3 and 4 p.m. This is an invigorating exercise program designed to help you get up and get moving, and is the perfect compliment to your diet program. These classes will help you to make an easy transition back to an exercise program or help you to get started for the first time. Fee is \$30 per month. For more information, call (734) 458-3242.

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Daily Programs

Garden City Hospital's Health Enhancement Center offers daily programs Monday through Friday in Phase II and III Cardiac Rehabilitation/Cardiac Wellness, a Peripheral Vascular Disease Exercise and Strength Training Program, and a Diabetes Exercise Program. These classes are presented and monitored by certified exercise physiologists. Contact the Health Enhancement Center at (734) 458-3242 to select an exercise program specifically designed for you.

Volunteer at Garden City Hospital

Volunteer opportunities are available at Garden City Hospital those age 14 and older. Individuals interested in providing clerical support, staffing information desks, transporting patients and assisting on nursing units are needed. Volunteers receive a free lunch on their volunteer day, a uniform and the chance to be involved "behind the scenes" at an award-winning hospital.

To apply to become a volunteer, complete an application form, available at the hospital's main lobby information desk or call (734) 458-4280. The hospital is at 6245 Inkster Road in Garden City.

Volunteers also may donate time to the hospital by becoming a member of the Garden City Hospital Guild. The group raises funds to support patient care. Members staff the hospital coffee shop, gift shop and information desks, and deliver mail to patients. For more information, call (734) 458-4421.

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Michigan Eye Doctor Helps Legally Blind

Dr. Sheldon Smith fits special glasses to help those with macular degeneration and other eye conditions keep reading and driving.

By Elena Lombardi

Most of us take things like reading, watching TV or playing cards for granted. But poor vision from conditions like macular degeneration, glaucoma, diabetes or cataracts makes these tasks difficult or even impossible. When people have insufficient vision to do the things they want to do, they have low vision.

Today Michigan Optometrist Dr. Sheldon Smith has the answers many of these people have been seeking. Dr. Smith, a Low Vision Specialist, helps people with these types of eye diseases see better. A Fellow of the International Academy of Low Vision Specialists, Dr. Smith is one of a select group of doctors serving the visually impaired.

"People don't know there are experienced doctors who can help them with specialized low vision care," says Dr. Smith. "Many people are told by their own doctors that nothing more can be done for their eye condition, but there are ways to improve vision" says Dr. Smith. "We fit special devices to help patients meet their various visual goals."

Patients often end up using weak, clumsy hand-held magnifiers trying to help themselves see better. Conversely, Dr. Smith prescribes hands-free devices that are easier to use. "We use the same telescopic devices surgeons

use during operations," says Dr. Smith. "That's how powerful and convenient they are."

Special prismatic reading glasses and microscopes help make reading a little easier. Telescopic glasses primarily focus on distance objects like TV, passing neighbors or scenery. Telescopes can also be adapted to closer tasks like playing cards or computers. "Telescopes can even help people meet the driver vision requirement" Dr. Smith explained.

Michigan is one of 46 states that allow bioptic telescopic glasses for driving.

Mr. Leo Hakola, age 85 of Livonia, Michigan saw Dr. Smith last May.

Macular degeneration, cataract, stroke and double vision were causing reading and driving problems. Dr. Smith prescribed a complete low vision system which included telescopic glasses for driving and special prismatic glasses for reading. The entire cost was \$2789. Leo said "the telescopic driving glasses really help me see traffic lights and street signs down the block. And reading is much easier and single now with these special reading glasses. I am glad I found you, Dr. Smith."

In addition to the spectacle vision aids, Dr. Smith offers training to help people accomplish their daily activities. Visual aids help patients use their remaining vision to its fullest capacity while rehabilitative training improves the patient's



Leo Hakola wearing telescopic driving glasses

ability to carry out necessary independent activities. And of course safeguarding present vision levels is crucial. Sun filters and nutritional supplements can improve vision and prevent further loss.

"Each patient has a unique amount of vision and their own goals," says Dr. Smith. "I am committed to helping patients do what matters most to them and improving their quality of life."

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If you or someone you know is struggling with their vision, call Dr. Smith to find out how low vision care can help. There is help available. You just need to know where to find it.

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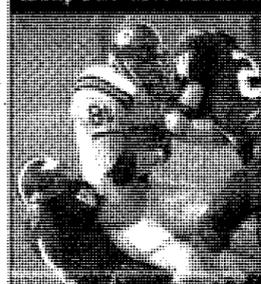
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OUR VIEWS

We all can make a difference this Memorial Day

What if there were no Memorial Day? No parades, no speeches, no wreaths, no soldiers patrolling Arlington Cemetery. Would it make a difference? Would our soldiers fight any less faithfully? No, of course they wouldn't, but it would make a difference in who we are as a people. Joe Malla, a 23-year Navy veteran from Troy, chokes up when asked about Americans' reaction to the war in Iraq. "Sorry, I get emotional," he says after a long pause. "No matter what people think of the war, veterans didn't make the war." He's right. War, and peace, are states of existence for which we are all responsible. A part of us lies in the grave of every man and woman who has served our country. We have, after all, elected the politicians who have sent them to places around the globe, and to their places in history. Our service men and women have done more than just follow orders that place them in harm's way. They have performed heroically and selflessly. To ignore those sacrifices is to deny that we share in the responsibility for making war. And in that denial, we lose the impetus for striving for peace. So, yes, ignoring Memorial Day does make a difference. It's a shame that it's so easy to forget, when there is ample opportunity to remember. Each of our communities offers some form of Memorial Day celebration. In Westland, there will be a parade at 1 p.m. Sunday, honoring those who gave their lives so we can live in

peace. Residents of Wayne and Westland can watch it as it moves along Wayne Road south from Avondale to the Peace Memorial in the city of Wayne. In Garden City, residents and veteran groups will gather at 11 a.m. Monday on the front lawn of City Hall for a memorial service complete with the presentation of wreaths. As always, the public is encouraged to attend. In Birmingham, there will be a recitation of the Gettysburg address on Monday, and in Livonia, there will be viewing of the Veterans' Wall of Honor. Ferndale will have its 90th anniversary parade, while there will also be parades in Canton, Farmington, Plymouth and Rochester Hills. Other communities have observances as well, and at White Chapel Cemetery in Troy, flags line the main boulevard as visitors enter for a Sunday concert and the Polar Bear memorial service on Monday. Some communities, like Southfield and Redford, hold ceremonies on other days. But for people everywhere, there is no excuse for ignoring the day's observance. In 2000, Congress passed the "National Moment of Remembrance." It is a moment to pause each Memorial Day at 3 p.m. local time to reflect on the service and sacrifice of our armed forces. So take that moment to turn off the lawnmower and the TV. Close the cover on the grill. Gather your family around you and tell them about your own memories of war and peace with the respect and gratitude due those who have served us so well.

Freedom has a price

Memorial Day is Monday, May 26th. This is a day of reflection, thanks and remembrance to our veterans who have answered the call to serve, but will never be able to enjoy the freedoms that you and I do today. Why? Because they are dead. Or they are still MIA. Some are still alive, but so horribly maimed they do not live outside of a hospital ward. How shocking it is to the conscious that many people this Memorial Day will be sure to get the day off from work and plan their backyard BBQs with no thought about the real purpose of this special day. One of the many things I will teach my newborn son is the value of freedom and the price that has been paid for it in blood. He, and the rest of his generation, won't learn to value this simply by reading books. He will learn it by the examples I set. By the values we all exhibit. If we fail our next generation by failing to teach this, it won't be long before our freedom is no longer highly valued and is liable to slip away. We often hear that there are no heroes today like John Wayne or Superman. I beg to differ. Their names are forever inscribed on Canton's Veterans' Memorial behind the Township Hall: names from many years ago and names of neighbors from today. We have a chance to not only honor the sacrifices of our veterans and their families, but to help them to live but for one more day, at least in our hearts and minds. Won't you join us Monday afternoon, at 1 p.m., to honor these vets and to value the freedom they have procured for us at such a great price? It is your duty to do so, not only for the sake of our veterans living and gone, but for the sake of your children and the next generation of free Americans.

Todd Caccamo
Canton

LETTERS

We ignore oil options

Greg Kowalski's column ("Time to put an end to our dependency on oil," May 18) misses the mark regarding our dependency on oil. Let's get real about our oil needs in this country. Truth of the matter is that we cannot get by without oil in the foreseeable future. It is our life blood far into the future. Yes, we can cut back on some of our usage of oil but we cannot conserve our way out of this problem in a growing economy. The so-called alternatives, bio-fuels, etc., will not give us the amount we need. If every kernel of corn grown in this country were dedicated to ethanol production it would only give us 10 percent of our needs. We need to drill and we need to be getting about the job. There is more than enough oil to be extracted if the oil companies were allowed to do so. There is plenty of oil here in the states. The oil producers want to drill in Alaska right next to where they are presently drilling - an area so small it cannot even be found on a map. This was proposed over 10 years ago but the Enviro-Geeks and their Democrat supporters in the Senate stopped it with phony scare tactics. There has been an enormous recent find in the Gulf of Mexico, perhaps the world's largest, yet that has been made off-limits by these same people. It does not matter to them that Mexico, Cuba, and now the Chinese will be extracting oil from these reserves. It is these same people that have stopped any new oil refineries from being built in this country for over 30 years. Synthetic gasoline, and hydrogen-fueled cars are pure dreams that none of us will live to see. It sounds nice but, again, get real. As for battery-powered cars, the range

is so limited they wouldn't take most of us to work and back. As for me, I intend to burn gasoline and refuse to live in a cabbage patch.

Mack Tario
Southfield

Invest in new energies

Greg Kowalski made a great point in his column ("Time to put an end to our dependency on oil," May 18) when he called for an Apollo-like effort to develop an alternative to gasoline to power our cars and trucks. The quickest way to do this is to have Congress force the auto companies to revisit the Energy Act and increase the new fuel efficiency standards from 35 to 45 miles per gallon by 2015. With assistance from the U.S. government, this can be achieved with existing and developing technologies such as hybrids and electric plug-ins. If we were able to put a man on the moon within a few short years, if we could develop a nuclear bomb within a few short years, if we were able to rally the industrial forces in our country to defeat fascism within a few short years during World War II, there is nothing preventing us from developing the means to overcome our addiction to fossil fuels within a few short years. If we end this oil war in Iraq, we can take the hundreds of billions of dollars saved and put it toward the goal of achieving greater energy efficiency and the development of clean, renewable, climate-friendly energy sources. Maybe this will happen once our "Petroleum President" leaves office.

Thaddeus J. Hejka
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Worthy says Kilpatrick's status no deterrent to prosecution

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy wanted to make one point perfectly clear concerning the criminal prosecution of Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick during her appearance at the Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth meeting Thursday afternoon.

"Not one time did it matter to us who the potential defendants would be," Worthy told a crowded room at Ernesto's restaurant in Plymouth. "It doesn't matter what your pedigree is, how much money you have, your race or gender, ethnicity or religion.

"If you commit a crime in Wayne County, and we can prove it beyond a reasonable doubt, we're going to charge you, no matter who you are," she added. "I'm not going to lose sleep over it."

Worthy, who has been zealous in her preparation for the text messaging scandal proceedings involving Kilpatrick and his former chief of staff, Christine Beatty, said she's never let this year's re-election bid get in the way of the case.

"People have asked me about running for office, it has to affect my decision," Worthy said. "No, it doesn't. This just happens to be an election year for me."

Worthy can't reveal much about the case against Kilpatrick and Beatty, but she hinted at the possibility of more charges.

"We're still investigating," she said. "When we announced the (original) charges, we said it was an ongoing investigation and there are still things going on."

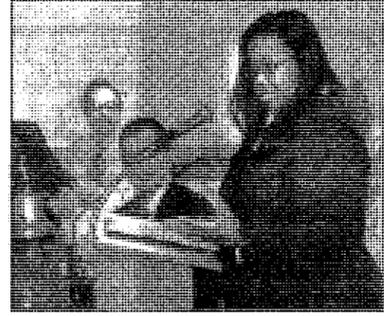
Worthy said there has been only one surprise that has come her way in the text mes-

sage scandal, the attack against her for a so-called tax problem involving the IRS. Worthy went out of her way to explain how she cashed in her IRAs to support herself and daughter when she had to step down from her position as a judge in 2003 to run for county prosecutor. The \$60,000 in tax penalties has been whittled down to \$25,000 by paying the debt in installments.

"He's (Kilpatrick) a criminal

defendant and I'm expecting him not to comment on the case, but I've never had — in 23 years — the attack he directed," Worthy said. "What has happened the last four months have been three or four orchestrated smear campaigns against me for charging the mayor.

"If you can't stomach the personal attacks, you should get out of the kitchen," she added. "I'd charge him again."



BILL BRESLER
STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy talked about her career and the decision to prosecute Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick during a speech to the Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth Thursday.

Initial stock offerings are not secure

Rick Bloom was the featured speaker at the Observer & Eccentric Senior Expo on May 20 at Schoolcraft College. Following is a question asked by the seniors. Rick believes the information is helpful to those who were unable to attend.



Money Matters

Rick Bloom

I've been approached about investing in a new company at its initial public offering. I was told that it is a sure thing and that you can't lose money on an IPO. I don't

know what an IPO is and do you think it's a good investment?

An Initial Public Offering, also known as an IPO, is a corporation's first sale of stock to public investors. The company is selling stock to raise capital for the corporation and to allow original investors to cash out some of their stock. In establishing the initial price for the stock, the corporation typically brings in an investment banker who has two main goals in establishing the original purchase price. The first is to raise capital for the corporation and the second is to generate interest in the stock from the general public. If the initial price of the stock is too high, the stock may not sell, while on the other hand, if the stock is underpriced the corporation can be missing out on an opportunity to raise capital. Historically, IPOs have tended to be underpriced as opposed to overpriced.

I generally tell investors to avoid an IPO because there are many unknown factors which make it difficult for the average person to evaluate the investment. I only recommend an IPO to someone who already has a diversified portfolio and who is willing to take a flyer on the investment. An IPO is not a safe and secure investment.

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Mustangs gallop all over Churchill in WLAA final

Sidelines

Skinner sisters 1st

The Skinner sisters of Livonia recently returned home from Highland, Ind. with USA Gymnastics Region 4 titles.

Cassandra, 13, a student at Holmes Middle School captured the Level 8 double mini trampoline crown with scores of 9.6, 9.5 and 9.7 (first pass); followed by a 9.2, 9.0 and 9.2 (second pass).

She also took a bronze medal in Level 10 power tumbling with scores of 9.8, 9.7 and 9.8 (first pass) followed by an 8.9, 9.0 and 8.8 (second pass).

Cassandra, who last month just missed making the National Team at the Elite Challenge in Mobile, Ala., added a fifth in Level 8 trampoline with scores of 8.1, 8.2 and 8.3.

Competing in her first regional meet, 11-year-old Natalia Skinner, a student at Riley Upper Elementary, was the Level 5 champion with scores of 8.4, 8.4 and 8.6.

Miller saluted

Longtime Livonia Junior Athletic League football coach Fred Miller will be honored Saturday, July 19 during halftime of the East-West All-Star Football Game at Spartan Stadium in East Lansing with the 2008 Alliance Award by the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association.

Miller, varsity coach of the Falcons Unit, will be recognized for his contributions to youth football during the past 37 years.

Aquafina winners

Among the all-around age-group winners at the Aquafina Major League Baseball Pitch, Hit & Run competition May 6 at Garden City Park include Justin Hollenbeck, Westland (7-8); Calin Crawford, Garden City (9-10); Austin Gonzales, Garden City (11-12); and Toby Raymond, Romulus (13-14). A total of 47 competitors participated in the competition hosted by the Garden City Parks and Recreation Department.

Winners advance to sectional competition Saturday, June 7 at Canton.

Sectional winners will be eligible for the Team Championship to be hosted at Detroit's Comerica Park.

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER SPORTS WRITER

The rematch turned out to be a mismatch Wednesday night between the state's top two ranked teams in Division 1 girls soccer.

Round Two goes emphatically to No. 1 Northville, which claimed the Western Lakes Activities Association championship with a resounding 6-0 victory over host Livonia Churchill.

The two teams played to a 3-all draw (April 7) in the first meeting, but this was all Northville as senior Sarah Stern pumped in four goals for the Mustangs, who improved to 15-0-2 overall.

The Michigan State signee now has 24 on the year.

Churchill, which dropped to 14-2-2 overall, played without All-Conference goalkeeper Stefanie Turner, who is still recovering from a bout a mononucleosis.

Chargers coach Dave Hebestreit elected to start recent Rachel Staff, a sophomore, in goal. The JV call-up held her own in the first half, but was deluged by Northville's relentless offensive pressure during the second half.

Caroline Castell's long ball into the box was headed in by Stern at the 14-minute mark to make it 1-0 at halftime.

The Mustangs, who avenged a loss in last year's WLAA final to Churchill, exploded for five second-half goals - Stern from Theresa Yankovich (43rd minute); Kathleen Keiffer on a header from Nicole Miller (56th minute); Stern on a rebound shot assisted by Lauren Lokey (64th minute); Lokey from Kelsey Fiscus (67th minute); and

Stern on a left-footed shot from Julia Bawden (76th minute).

"It felt good, it's going to be a memorable Memorial Day weekend," Northville coach Ron Meteyer said. "It felt like a little bit a payback from last year. I really expected a score like 1-0 or 2-1, not this much of a game. I think that second goal (by Stern) took the win out of their sails."

Churchill had a hard time winning balls at midfield or penetrating Northville's backline throughout the match.

Chargers coach Dave Hebestreit was almost at a loss for an explanation regarding his team's play.

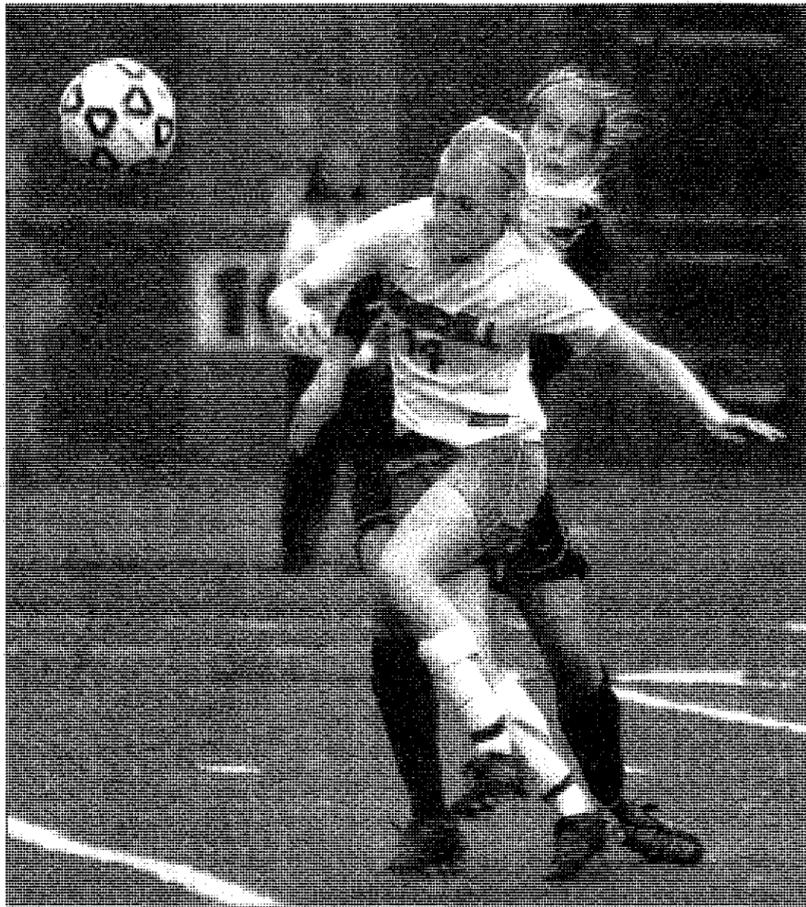
"It was the definition of madness," he said. "We kept doing the same things, but when it doesn't work you keep doing it again and again. We kept sending long balls. We were kicking it out and building into their attack. There were spells where we did play our game, but we never sustained it."

"We never strung balls together. Everything was straight-forward and that attack won't beat Northville."

Hebestreit said his three defenders - Tessa Allen, Lindsay Marlow and Kelsey Rothermel - held their own against the Mustangs' potent attack, led by Stern.

"They played outstanding today, they just did not get any help," the Churchill coach said. "Our best players were not our best players. Our midfielders got dominated today."

The two teams ironically will meet again 7 p.m. Tuesday at Livonia Churchill in the opening round of the Division 1 district tournament.



Churchill's Callie Mack tangles up with Northville's Kelsey Baskin while attempting to take a shot on goal in Wednesday's WLAA championship game.

TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

3 area golf teams advance

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER SPORTS WRITER

Livonia Churchill struggled through a 5-6 dual-match boys golf season in the Western Lakes Activities Association, but records can be deceiving.

The Chargers took advantage of their home course Thursday with a third-place finish in the Division 1-District 9 tournament held at Whispering Willows.

State-ranked Northville, which captured the WLAA crown on Tuesday by a whopping 21 strokes, held off Canton for the district crown, 303-307.

Four other teams also advanced to this Thursday's regional at Washtenaw Country

Club including Churchill (308), Salem (310), Livonia Franklin (318) and Livonia Stevenson (324). See complete results.

"It's by far the best we've played all year," Churchill coach Paul Worley said, who is also the head PGA pro at Whispering Willows. "We went 5-6, but we could have been easily 8-3. Three of those matches we played well and lost by a total of four strokes, and all three were away matches."

"We actually had a lower average away (157) than we did at home (160) this year. We have the talent and it showed today, even though we were on our home course."

Sophomore Trevor Grigg, the

WLAA medalist, also took individual district honors with a 71.

Churchill junior Kevin Robinson was runner-up with a 72 and Garden City's Hagen Risner took third and advanced to the regional as an individual with a 73.

Churchill's other three scorers included senior Josh Proben, who took fourth with a 74; senior Brian Bint, 13th with a 78; and junior Erik Newman, 31st with an 84.

"We had three or four tough pin spots and I thought the scores would be higher with the weather," Worley said. Franklin's top four scorers

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TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Churchill's Josh Proben, stroking a putt during Tuesday's Western Lakes Tournament at Pheasant Run, was fourth overall with a 74 in Thursday's Division 1-District 9 tourney at Whispering Willows.

Unsung Spartans star

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

When a team wins a conference track-and-field meet by just five points, the winning difference is usually created by the athletes who exceeded expectations, not the ones who met them.

BOYS TRACK

Example A: The trio of Livonia Stevenson performers whose personal-best efforts led the Spartans to the Western Lakes Activities Association title on a rainy Wednesday night at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park stadium.

The most notable Spartan "over-exceeder" was unsung miler Mike Gibbons, who placed second in the 1,600-meter run with a 4:29.9.

Others who stepped up when called upon were Derek Buskey, who finished second in the 200 in his inaugural attempt at the event; and discus-thrower Chris Golonka, whose 152-foot effort earned the champions some much-needed fifth-place points.

"I thought the team did a decent job overall," said Stevenson coach Scott Shaw. "In meets like this, you need to score in a number of events, which we

Please see **SPARTANS, B2**

Charger girls runner-up

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Mustangs proved to be the thoroughbreds at Wednesday's Western Lakes Activities Association girls league track-and-field meet at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park varsity stadium.

GIRLS TRACK

Northville, the Western Division champion which compiled an unbeaten regular-season dual-meet record, galloped to the conference championship by placing first in six

of the 17 events and racking up 144 points - 27 more than runner-up Livonia Churchill, the Division 1 regional champion.

Livonia Stevenson (74.5 points), Livonia Franklin (71) and Westland John Glenn (65) rounded out the top five spots.

Field-event specialists Brianna Jenkins and Amy Reynolds were the Mustangs' catalysts, winning the high jump and pole vault, respectively.

Jaelyn Konopka (100- and 300-meter hurdles), Danielle Drury (400-

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Plymouth derails Chargers, 8-4; Warriors beaten by No. 4 Eagles

Plymouth's 8-4 victory Wednesday afternoon over Livonia Churchill was more than just an end-of-the-season WLAA crossover triumph.

It was history in the making. "This one was special because it's the first time in the history of Plymouth Wildcat baseball that we have reached the 20-win milestone in a season," Plymouth coach Chuck Adams said.

Plymouth improved to 20-9 thanks to a superb pitching performance from junior Brad Lineberry, who scattered nine hits in his complete-game effort. Lineberry struck out five and walked three.

Charger starting pitcher Brian Runge took the loss after yielding eight runs in 5.1 innings.

The Wildcats, who out-hit Churchill 12-9, trailed 2-1 before busting loose for five runs in the top of the fourth. The Chargers narrowed their deficit to 6-4 in the bottom of the fourth, but Plymouth scored a pair in the sixth to sew up the win.

Plymouth lead-off hitter David Harvey continued his torrid hitting, going 3-for-4 with two runs and an RBI. Lineberry contributed a two-run triple, and Michael Rose and Luke Merandi chipped in with two hits a piece.

Ricky Scully had a big day at

the plate for Churchill, going 2-for-3 with three RBI. Andy Szymanski had ripped two hits and scored a run for the hosts.

The loss drops the Chargers, who lost 19-11 Tuesday to visiting Farmington in a non-leagueur, to 15-16 overall.

S'FIELD CHRISTIAN 12, LUTH. WESTLAND 8: Winning pitcher Ryan Schario went 3-for-5 with two RBI Friday as Southfield Christian (20-2), ranked No. 4 in Division 4, outslugged host Lutheran High Westland (19-7) in a non-league game.

Schario went all seven innings, scattering 10 hits and four walks while fanning four.

Matt Martin added two hits and three RBI for the Eagles.

Sam Ahlersmeyer went 2-for-5 with a double and four RBI for the Warriors, while Dan Abbott added two hits, including a double. Adam Zehel also knocked in a run.

Losing pitcher Micah Hausch gave up eight runs on eight hits before being lifted for Austin Baglow, who worked the final 3.2 innings.

CLARENCEVILLE 3, ROBICHAUD 1: John McAlpine pitched a one-hitter and struck out 11 Friday as host Livonia Clarenceville (2-21) earned its second win of the second at the expense of Dearborn Heights Robichaud.

McAlpine also helped his own cause going 2-for-3 with an RBI single and triple.

Dan Schiffman also added two hits with an RBI, while John James contributed an RBI single.

STEVENSON 5, WAYNE 5: A sterling relief effort Wednesday by Jeff Sorenson enabled host Livonia Stevenson (9-20) to beat Wayne Memorial (9-21) in a WLAA crossover game between

last-place divisional teams. Sorenson went the final four innings, facing just 14 batters. He struck out nine, walked one and allowed just one hit.

Stevenson trailed 5-2 through five innings before erupting for five runs on three hits in the bottom of the sixth.

Mike Tuttle knocked in two runs, while Jon Samaan scored twice and knocked in a run.

Jeff Sorenson also scored two runs, while Mark Wagner had an RBI.

Rodney Manning went 2-for-3 with three RBI, while Stefan Harrison went 2-for-3 with a run scored for the Zebras.

W.L. CENTRAL 10, FRANKLIN 2: In a WLAA crossover Wednesday, pitcher Derek Mitchell went the distance and fanned six and scattered nine hits as host Walled Lake Central (15-16) trimmed Livonia Franklin (13-15).

Eric Glanz went 2-for-3 and Tim Thewes went 2-for-4 for the victorious Vikings, who scored seven times in the first inning on four hits and three walks to chase Franklin starter Jesse Carpenter (5-4).

Garrett Gumm hit a solo homer for the Patriots and Mike Basner went 2-for-4 with a run scored.

CANTON 15, JOHN GLENN 5: Alex Dixon and Ben Vaughn each collected three hits and combined for six RBI Wednesday as the visiting Chiefs (19-9) took five innings to mercy Westland John Glenn (15-17) in a WLAA crossover.

William Tidwell was the winning pitcher.

Losing pitcher Jon Gillis collected three hits for the Rockets, who committed five errors. Kevin LaFave added two hits.

C'ville mercies Huskies, 8-0

It was over quickly Friday as the host Livonia Clarenceville girls soccer team scored eight first-half goals to mercy Pontiac Northern in a non-conference matchup, 8-0.

The game ended with nine seconds left in the opening half as the Trojans improved to 6-10-1 overall.

Amanda Moody scored twice and added an assist for Clarenceville, while teammate Teresa Parent contributed a goal and assist.

Other Clarenceville goal scorers included Stephanie Fletcher, Jordan Fyffe, Ashley Welch, Jill Brown and goalkeeper Kristen Jolly.

On Thursday, the Trojans

fell to host Hazel Park, 2-1, as Moody scored unassisted in the second half.

FARMINGTON 5, FRANKLIN 2: Andrea Grove tallied a pair of goals and Kirsten Evans cored a goal and collected three assists Thursday as the Falcons (10-4-4) downed visiting Livonia Franklin (2-16-1) in a non-leaguer.

Andrea Grove, who scored two goals Thursday, had three Wednesday against host Redford Union to lead Farmington to a 7-0 victory.

The Falcons took a 2-0 lead on goals by Evans (26-10) and Grove (18-07).

Franklin's Molly Perkins (9-36) made it 2-1 at halftime on an assist from Kelly Powers.

Grove scored the first goal of the

second half (32:01), but the Patriots stayed within one when Powers scored from Perkins with 24:40 remaining.

Evans assisted on the final two Farmington goals by Liz Germaine (8:45) and Katie Williams (6:49).

LUTH. WESTLAND 1, CLARENCEVILLE 0: Miranda Kasprovic tallied the game-winning goal Wednesday to lead host Lutheran High Westland (9-7) to the Metro Conference consolation round victory over Livonia Clarenceville (5-9-1).

Hannah Mielke assisted on the Kasprovic goal and Warriors' goalkeeper Chelsea Kyles made eight saves to record the shutout.

Clarenceville keeper Kristen Jolly also stood out with 14 saves.

On Friday, Lutheran Westland improved to 10-7 by winning a forfeit against Southfield Christian.

Zebras avenge Glenn loss

Wayne Memorial gained some measure of payback Wednesday with a 7-3 girls softball victory at Wayne Memorial.

Winning pitcher Taylor Krohn scattered six hits, walked four and struck out five in going all seven innings as the Zebras improved to 7-21 overall and avenged a 5-1 loss April 30 to the Rockets, who now stand at 2-22.

Seven different Zebra players collected at least one hit with Kathy Harris, Heather Henning and Megan Zuccaro each scored two runs.

Amanda Murakami and losing pitcher Brittany Holbrook each went 2-for-4 in the setback. Holbrook struck out eight and walked four.

Glenn made four errors, while Wayne committed two in the WLAA crossover game.

FRANKLIN 9, STEVENSON 4: Sophomore Nicole Emery went 4-for-4 with two RBI, three runs scored and two stolen bases Wednesday to spark Livonia Franklin (23-9) to a WLAA crossover triumph at Livonia

Stevenson (16-9).

Other hitting standouts for the Patriots included Brittany Taylor (3-for-4; two runs; two stolen bases) and Natalie Polakowski (2-for-3; run; RBI).

Winning pitcher Natalie Sanborn (20-5) survived a pair of Stevenson two-run fence-clearing homers with two-out in the sixth inning to break up her shutout bid - one by Kathleen Hoehn and the other by losing pitcher Laura Deacon.

Sanborn allowed six hits, walked one and struck out eight.

Deacon and reliever Emily Hollandsworth gave up a combined 14 hits and one walked over six innings. They combined for five Ks.

CANTON 11, CHURCHILL 0: Hillary Payne's no-hitter propelled the Chiefs (20-13) to a WLAA crossover victory Wednesday at Livonia Churchill (12-21).

Payne allowed only one base runner in the five-inning mercy, while fanning 11 Chargers. She also had two hits.

Canton broke the game open early with five runs in the first on five hits and three walks.

CLARENCEVILLE 12, FERNDALE 6: Sophomore pitcher Val Sochacki scattered eight hits and four walks over seven innings Wednesday as

host Livonia Clarenceville (8-16) earned the non-conference triumph over the Eagles.

Sochacki (7-12) gave up six earned runs and struck out 10.

Senior Samantha Sillanpaa reached base four out of five times and scored twice.

Senior Chelsea Lawler walked four times and scored three runs, while junior Brittany Brooks knocked in a pair of runs.

HAZEL PARK 9, CLARENCEVILLE 0: Jenny Polk fired a three-hitter Tuesday as the Vikings (18-4) took advantage of nine errors to beat host Livonia Clarenceville (8-15) in a non-conference encounter.

Pole struck out 15 and walked only three in going the distance. She also went 2-for-5 with three runs and an RBI. Teammate Jessica Klknapp went 2-for-3 with two RBI.

In seven innings, losing pitcher Val Sochacki allowed five earned runs on eight hits. She walked three, hit two batters and fanned four.

Brittany Brooks, Lisa Wilson and Chelsea Lawler had the lone hits for the Trojans.

PLYMOUTH 5, STEVENSON 0: On Tuesday, the visiting Wildcats (16-11) blanked Livonia Stevenson (16-8) as freshman Lauren Smith pitched a five-hitter.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BASEBALL DISTRICT PAIRINGS

DIVISION 1
at WESTLAND JOHN GLENN
Tuesday, May 27: (A) Livonia Franklin vs. (B) Garden City, 4 p.m.
Saturday, May 31: Westland John Glenn vs. A-B winner, noon; Wayne Memorial vs. Romulus, 30 minutes after; Championship final: 30 minutes after.

DIVISION 2
at SALEM
Tuesday, May 27: (A) Livonia Churchill vs. (B) Plymouth, 4 p.m.
Saturday, May 31: Canton vs. A-B winner, 10 a.m.; Salem vs. Livonia Stevenson, 12:30 p.m.; Championship final: 3 p.m.

DIVISION 3
at REDFORD THURSTON
Saturday, May 31: Redford Thurston vs. Livonia Clarenceville, 10 a.m.; Dearborn Divine Child vs. Inkster, 12:30 p.m.; Championship final: 3 p.m.

DIVISION 4
at WESTLAND HURON VALLEY LUTHERAN
Saturday, May 31: Lutheran High Westland vs. Redford Covenant Christian, 10 a.m.; Huron Valley Lutheran vs. Melvindale Business & Technology Academy, noon; Championship final: 2 p.m.

GIRLS SOFTBALL DISTRICT PAIRINGS

DIVISION 1
at WESTLAND JOHN GLENN
Tuesday, May 27: (A) Garden City vs. (B) Livonia Franklin, 4 p.m.

DIVISION 2
Saturday, May 31: Wayne Memorial vs. Romulus, noon; Westland John Glenn vs. A-B winner, 30 minutes after; Championship final: 30 minutes after second game.

DIVISION 3
Tuesday, May 27: (A) Livonia Churchill vs. (B) Plymouth, 4 p.m.

DIVISION 4
Saturday, May 31: Salem vs. Livonia

Stevenson, 10 a.m.; Canton vs. A-B winner, noon; Championship final: 2 p.m.
DIVISION 2
at REDFORD THURSTON
Tuesday, May 27: (A) Dearborn Divine Child vs. (B) Inkster, 4 p.m.

DIVISION 3
Saturday, May 31: Livonia Clarenceville vs. Livonia Ladywood, 10 a.m.; Redford Thurston vs. A-B winner, 12:30 p.m.; Championship final: 3:30 p.m.

DIVISION 4
at WESTLAND HURON VALLEY LUTHERAN
Saturday, May 31: (A) Huron Valley Lutheran vs. (B) Melvindale Business & Technology Academy, 10 a.m.; Championship final: Lutheran High Westland vs. A-B winner, noon.

GIRLS SOCCER DISTRICT PAIRINGS

NOVI (HOST)
Tuesday, May 27: (A) North Farmington vs. (B) Redford Union (Hilbert M.S.), 7 p.m.; (C) Livonia Stevenson at (D) West Bloomfield, 4 p.m.; (E) Farmington Hills Mercy at (F) Novi (Meadows Stadium), 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 29: A-B winner vs. C-D winner, 7 p.m.; Birmingham Groves at E-F winner, 7 p.m. Friday, May 30: Championship final, 7 p.m.

NORTHVILLE (HOST)
Tuesday, May 27: (A) Northville at (B) Livonia Churchill, 7 p.m.; (C) Canton vs. (D) Wayne Memorial, 5 p.m.; (E) Canton vs. (F), 7 p.m. at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

THURSDAY, MAY 29: A-B winner vs. C-D winner, 4 p.m.; Westland John Glenn vs. E-F winner, 6 p.m. Saturday, May 31: Championship final, noon.

DEARBORN FORDSON (HOST)
Tuesday, May 27: (A) Garden City at (B) Livonia Franklin, 7 p.m.; (C) Grosse Pointe South at (D) Dearborn Fordson, 7 p.m.; (E) Detroit Cass Tech vs. (F) Dearborn Edsel Ford, 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 28: A-B winner vs. C-D winner.

5:30 p.m.; Detroit Western International vs. E-F winner, 7 p.m. Friday, May 30: Championship final, 7 p.m.

DIVISION 2 DEXTER (HOST)
Tuesday, May 27: (A) Livonia Ladywood at (B) Ypsilanti, 5:30 p.m.; (C) Melvindale at (D) Dearborn Divine Child, 5 p.m.; (E) Allen Park at (F) Dearborn Heights Crestwood, 7 p.m. Thursday, May 29: A-B winner vs. C-D winner, 3 p.m.; E-F winner vs. Dexter, 5 p.m. Saturday, May 31: Championship final, noon.

DIVISION 3 at BEVERLY HILLS-DET. COUNTRY DAY
Tuesday, May 27: (A) Beverly Hills vs. (B) Madison Heights Madison, 5 p.m.; (C) Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood vs. (D) Madison Heights Lampshire, 7 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 29: Detroit Country Day vs. C-D winner, 5 p.m.; Livonia Clarenceville vs. A-B winner, 7 p.m. Saturday, May 31: Championship final, 1 p.m.

DIVISION 4 at PLYMOUTH CHRISTIAN ACADEMY (HOST)
Tuesday, May 27: (A) Plymouth Christian Academy at West Bloomfield Jewish Academy, 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 28: Lutheran High Westland at A-B winner, 4:30 p.m.; Southfield Christian at South Union, 4:30 p.m. Friday, May 30: Championship final, 3 or 4:30 p.m. (TBA).

BOYS GOLF Thursday, May 29
- Division 1 regional (Saline Host) at Washnaw Country Club, 9 a.m.

BOYS & GIRLS TRACK & FIELD FINALS Saturday, May 31
- Division 1 at Rockford, 9 a.m. Division 2 at Zeeland, 9 a.m. Division 3 at Comstock Park, 9 a.m. Division 4 at G.R. Forest Hills Eastern, 9 a.m.

GIRLS TRACK & FIELD RESULTS

400: 1. Daniella Drury (N), 1:01.8; 2. Bech Roach (N), 1:01.9; 3. Brianna Jenkins (N), 1:02.2; 4. Ashley Butkowsky (L), 1:02.7; 5. Rachel Quaintance (WLN), 1:02.7; 6. Beth Swanberg (C), 1:04.3; 7. Samar Aoude (C), 1:04.5; 8. Katie Glynn (LS), 1:04.8.

300 hurdles: 1. Jaclyn Konopka (N), 47.8; 2. Becky Adamchek (LS), 48.3; 3. Seneca Scott (LF), 48.8; 4. O'Malley King (N), 49.8; 5. Madeline Vala (S), 49.9; 6. Chelsea Camp (N), 49.9; 7. Mallory Lukas (L), 49.9; 8. Kiley Tobel (WLN), 51.8.

800: 1. Sara Kroll (L), 2:15.2; 2. Rachel McFarlane (C), 2:23.8; 3. Lindsay Hagan (N), 2:24.6; 4. Lindsay Clark (WLN), 2:26.6; 5. Markea Dickinson (N), 2:27.6; 6. Kelly Hahn (P), 2:29.9; 7. Brooke VanPoppel (WLN), 2:32.7; 8. Jordyn Moore (S), 2:34.0.

200: 1. Ashley Parker (JG), 25.6 (tied league record); 2. Stephanie Okolo (P), 26.4; 3. Sarah LaBerge (L), 26.8; 4. Brianna Jenkins (N), 27.3; 5. Becky Adamchek (LS), 27.4; 6. Monica Hardy (LF), 27.4; 7. Brittany Gibson (WLN), 27.5; 8. Ashley Banks (C), 27.6.

3,200: 1. Courtney Calka (LS), 11:24.7; 2. Rachel McFarlane (L), 11:26.7; 3. Lindsay Hagan (N), 11:39.2; 4. Rachel Quaintance (WLN), 11:43.5; 5. Lindsay Doherty (WLN), 11:55.4; 6. Molly Slavens (P), 11:58.4; 7. Christina Joss (LS), 12:10.5; 8. Jenny Murphy (N), 12:13.4.

1,600 relay: Northville (Beth Roach, Markea Dickinson, Daniella Drury, Brianna Jenkins), 4:16.2; 2. Stevenson, 4:19.3; 3. Salem, 4:24.4; 4. Churchill, 4:22.3; 5. Franklin, 4:22.8; 6. W.L. Northern, 4:25.0; 7. Canton, 4:26.2; 8. Plymouth, 4:36.6.

WESTERN LAKES ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION GIRLS TRACK & FIELD MEET

May 21 at PCEP Stadium

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Northville, 144; 2. Livonia Churchill, 117.5; 3. Livonia Stevenson, 74.5; 4. Livonia Franklin, 71.5; Westland John Glenn, 65; 6. Walled Lake Northern, 47.33; 7. Walled Lake Western, 41.33; 8. Plymouth, 32; 9. Salem, 28.33; 10. Walled Lake Central, 22; 11. Canton, 16; 12. Wayne Memorial, 4.

Discus: 1. Kyndra Abron (L), 124-0-2; Correen Weber (WLN), 121-8-3; Kari Prena (WLC), 118-4-4; Bridgett Tinsley (WLN), 115-4-5; Kelsey Prena (LS), 110-7-6; Savannah Haig (LF), 106-7-7; Ryan Anderson (JG), 103-6-8; Shannon Getchen (L), 102-0-0.

Shot put: 1. Kyndra Abron (L), 37-12.5; 2. Alysha Johnson (WLN), 36-5-5; 3. Kari Prena (WLC), 35-9-5; 4. Kelsey Prena (WLC), 35-1-25; 5. Becca Bartek (LS), 34-8-6; Ashley Price (LF), 34-2-75; 7. Shannon Getchen (L), 33-2-5; 8. Maame Aoomako (LS), 32-11-75.

High jump: 1. Brianna Jenkins (N), 5-2; 2. Elizabeth Holloway (LF), 5-2; 3. Beth Roach (N), 5-1; 4. Emily Quint (LF), 5-0-5; 5. Jaclyn Gribeck (L), 5-0-6; 6. Coria Yetts (L), 4-10; 7. Brittany Gibson (WLN), 4-10; 8. (tie) Brianna Allen (WLN), Kelley Determan (S) and Carissa McKenna (WLN), 4-6.

Long jump: 1. Chanel Payne (JG), 17-2; 2. Ashley Montgomery (C), 16-5; 3. Chelsea Pasnick (LS), 16-1; 4. Jill Morton (P), 15-11.5; 5. Chelsea Clampa (N), 15-11; 6. Marci Kovsky (L), 15-5; 7. Monica Hardy (LF), 15-4; 8. Paige Regular (S), 15-15.

Pole vault: 1. Amy Reynolds (N), 10-8; 2. Kiley Tobel (WLN), 10-4; 3. Emily Quint (LF), 10-0; 4. Liz

Proben, 7-4; 13. Brian Birt, 7-8; 31. Erik Newman, 8-4; 37. Dan Bostick, 8-8.

Salem (310): 5. Tyler Jeleniewski and Adam Powers, 75 each; 13. Patrick Doty, 78; 25. Aaron Thomas, 82; 28. Joel Cheesman, 83.

Franklin (318): 11. Justin Adams, 77; 15. Jordan Chisholm, 79; 20. Tony Semonick and Dan Ostrosky, 81 each; 42. Chris Grund, 90.

Stevenson (324): 15. Drew Mossioan, 79; 20. Christian DeBay and Adam Giordano, 81 each; 28. Dan Dufour, 83; 42. Tom Cullum, 90.

Garden City (336): 3. Hagan Risner, 73 (rg); 28. Kevin Cisto, 83 (rg); 39. Ron Pummill, 89; 45. Nick Walker, 91; 49. R.J. Wright, 93.

Plymouth (345): 18. James Bryans, 80 (rg); 34. Kyle Sanders, 86; 37. Andrew Overmeyer, 88; 45. Ryan Bauer and Kyle Eisminger, 91 each.

John Glenn (351): 25. Dan Tamaroglio, 82 (rg); 31. Josh Duprie, 84 (rg); 36. Andy Myers, 87; 53. Trave Jozefczak, 98; 55. D.J. Loney, 112.

Dearborn (363): 39. Daniel Dent and Chris Ordo, 89 each; 48. Kosta Ramirez, 92; 49. Alex

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included senior Justin Adams, 11th with a 77; junior Jordan Chisholm, 15th with a 79; seniors Tony Semonick and Dan Ostrosky, tied for 20th with 81 each.

Stevenson's top scorer was sophomore Drew Mossioan,

who tied for 15th with a 79. Rounding out the top four were sophomore Christian DeBay and freshman Adam Giordano, tied for 20th with 81 each; and junior Dan Dufour, 28th with an 83.

Westland John Glenn, despite a ninth-place finish in the team standings, moved two individuals onto the Saline regional as senior

Dan Tamaroglio finished 25th with a 82 and freshman Josh Duprie carded an 84 en route to a 31st place.

Other additional regional qualifiers included Plymouth sophomore James Bryans, 18th with an 80; Garden City senior Chris Cisto, 28th with an 83; and Edsel Ford freshman Robert Neff, 33rd with an 85.

BOYS GOLF RESULTS

DIVISION 1-DISTRICT 9 BOYS GOLF RESULTS

May 22 at Whispering Willows G.C.

TEAM STANDINGS (top 6 advance to regional): Northville, 303 strokes; 2. Canton, 307; 3. Livonia Churchill, 308; 4. Salem, 310; 5. Livonia Franklin, 318; 6. Livonia Stevenson, 324; 7. Garden City, 336; 8. Plymouth, 345; 9. Westland John Glenn, 351; 10. (tie) Dearborn and Dearborn Edsel Ford, 363; 12. Wayne Memorial, 462.

Individual medalist: Trevor Grigg (Northville), 71.

TEAM SCORING
Northville (303): 1. Trevor Grigg, 71; 8. Wes Gates and Alex Bernstein, 76 each; 18. Tim Kelly, 16-1; 23. Dan Kozerski, 82.

Canton (307): 5. Brendan Muir, 75; 8. Zach Conrad, 76; 11. Andrew Rickerman, 77; 15. Jeremy Lindbauer, 79; 20. Clark Albers, 81.

Churchill (308): 2. Kevin Robinson, 72; 4. Josh

Proben, 74; 13. Brian Birt, 78; 31. Erik Newman, 84; 37. Dan Bostick, 88.

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Malinowski, 93; 52. Patrick O'Brien, 96.

Old bowling group reminisces

Former officers and directors of the Greater Detroit Bowling Association held a reunion on May 14 at DeCarlos Banquet Hall in Warren.

The new organization took effect two years ago in which the Greater Detroit Bowling Association (GDBA) was replaced and superseded by the United States Bowling Congress (USBC) Metro Detroit Association.

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Most of the former directors of GDBA were not transitioned into the new organization, so it was a bit of a nostalgia trip as old friends and colleagues were once again wined and dined just like old times when they were considered the largest and most influential local association in the American Bowling Congress.

I certainly enjoyed my visit with Warren and Darlene Teubert of Redford.

Warren informed me that this date (May 14) was the same as 68 years ago when he recorded his first of many 700 series.

It was Darlene who let me know that their grandson, Kris Klann, 29, rolled his first ever 800 series at Wonderland Lanes in Commerce Township on April 17 with a three-game block of 287-257-265.

The new USBC Metro Detroit Association now holds the distinction of the biggest

and best within the USBC.

Executive director Mark Martin took the podium and gave everyone a review of what has transpired with the local and national meetings, rules changes, awards and new year-book formats.

He also announced that the USBC headquarters will relocate from Wisconsin to Texas this year.

Martin also filled us in about the POA Challenge competition, which was initiated this year.

The event drew 141 league bowlers May 3 at Airway Lanes in Waterford Township vying for a top prize of \$10,000 based on pins over average.

The POA Challenge was a joint effort by Metro Detroit USBC, Western Wayne County USBC Association and the Bowling Centers Association of Southeastern Michigan.

In addition to the top prize, second place garnered \$5,000; third place, \$2,500; and fourth, \$1,000.

This was an opportunity for middle and lower average bowlers to compete for healthy cash and awards.

Gerald Imhoff, 67, of Beverly Hills, who carries a 158 average, took home the top money with a 248-216 victory over Joseph Canzoneri of Canton.

This inaugural event will probably become an annual happening in the future.

The Original Detroit All Star Classic bowlers held their 73rd annual awards dinner recent at St. Mary's Cultural Center in Livonia.

Awards went to the first- and second-half champions, along with the overall league

championship team for the combined season.

The roll-off was between the Ansara's Restaurant Group and Cozy Inn.

The match was nip-and-tuck to the end when Ken Wyatt struck for a triple in the 10th and final frame as Cozy Inn needed two strikes and nine pins for the win.

Jim Grant got the first two strikes, but the last shot of the season only brought down a seven-count giving Ansara's the overall title in one of the most exciting finishes ever witnessed in the Detroit All Stars competition.

Low Ansara now has to make more room on his trophy shelf.

The Plaza Lanes team recorded the high game with 1,318 and high series with 3,759, while Randy Warnken was named King of Bowlers with a 228.28 average.

Rookie of the Year honors went to Chris Nielson with a 220.54 average, while Jerry Jaracz took Most Improved Bowler (plus 7.75 pins). Lance Williams earned the Joe Paulus Sportsman Award.

The overall season average for all bowlers came out to 212.82 - a strong league to say the least.

There is always room for more good bowlers.

Anyone who is good enough and would like to try this level of competition should contact Ken Charrette at (586) 775-2414.

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WLAA BOYS TRACK RESULTS

WESTERN LAKES ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION BOYS TRACK & FIELD MEET May 21 at P-CEP STADIUM

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Livonia Stevenson, 94 points; 2. Northville, 89; 3. Livonia Churchill, 83; 4. Salem, 69; 5. Westland John Glenn, 67; 6. Canton, 55; 7. Walled Lake Central, 50; 8. Livonia Franklin, 41; 9. (tie) Walled Lake Western and Plymouth, 36; 11. Walled Lake Northern, 24; 12. Wayne Memorial, 16.

Discus: 1. Mike Denison (WLC), 164 feet, 8 inches; 2. Zachary Bozjan (JG), 156-7; 3. Andrew Gorley (W), 156-2; 4. Austin Hassen (WM), 152-4; 5. Chris Colenka (JG), 152-0; 6. Ryan Daul (WLC), 148-4; 7. Dana Baltazar (S), 141-0; 8. Mike Calo (WLC), 135-2.

Shot put: 1. Mike Denison (WLC), 50-1.5; 2. Ed Merh (S), 46-9; 3. Dana Baltazar (S), 45-10; 4. Edison Vushaj (WLC), 45-7.5; 5. Chris Golonka (LS), 44-10.75; 6. Duane Najarian (LC), 43-11.5; 7. Nate Coleman (LF), 43-4.25; 8. Matt Broome (LS), 43-1.

High jump: 1. Mitchell White (LS), 6-6; 2. Pat York (LS), 6-3; 3. Zack Gaskell (S), 6-2; 4. (tie) David Brown (N), Jace Bearden, Eric Franceschi (N), 6-1; 7. Jajuan Cooke (LC), 6-0; 8. Keith Zech (C), 5-11.

Long jump: 1. Keshawn Martin (JG), 21-10.5; 2. William Gutowski (LC), 21-3.5; 3. Ali Arastu (N), 20-11.5; 4. Jace Bearden (S), 20-8.5; 5. Isaac Cadet (LF), 20-4; 6. Nate Sergison (LS), 20-0.5; 7. Dominique Williams (S), 19-9.5; 8. Adam Somers (C), 19-5.5.

Pole vault: 1. Derik Petermen (LC), 15-3; 2. Christopher McGinnis (C), 14-4; 3. Joseph

Tesner (LC), 13-6; 4. Ben Ambrose (P), 13-4; 5. Eric Franceschi (N), 12-8; 6. (tie) Kevin Beadle (LF) and Gary Lawrence (JG), 12-4; 8. Nick Fenner (LF), 12-4.

3,200-meter relay: 1. Churchill (Michael Schmidt, Nathan Wise, Paul Folk, Brandon Grysko), 8:22.30; 2. W.L. Western, 8:23.3; 3. Northville, 8:28.2; 4. Canton, 8:32.7; 5. Salem, 8:33.3; 6. Stevenson, 8:37.2; 7. Plymouth, 8:47.6; 8. Franklin, 8:48.4.

100 hurdles: 1. Myles White (LS), 14.2; 2. Cavan Corcoran (N), 14.5; 3. Evan Gerish (N), 14.6; 4. Renaldo Powell (WM), 14.7; 5. Cameron Wuoyka (LF), 15.7; 6. Stuart Gregory (LF), 15.7; 7. Scott O'Connor (S), 15.9; 8. Benn's Dillard (JG), 15.9.

100 dash: 1. Larry Dawkins (JG), 10.6; 2. Nick Anagnostou (LS), 11.0; 3. Malik Rich (P), 11.0; 4. Eric Piwowar (C), 11.1; 5. Paul Voegel (LF), 11.1; 6. Derek Bahri (WLC), 11.2; 7. Daran Carey (LC), 11.3; 8. Emmanuel Dixon (LC), 11.5.

800 relay: 1. John Glenn (JaJuan Marks, Keshawn Martin, Corey Davis, Larry Dawkins), 1:30.1; 2. Canton, 1:32.9; 3. Churchill, 1:33.2; 4. Franklin, 1:33.9; 5. W.L. Central, 1:34.4; 6. Northville, 1:36.8; 7. W.L. Northern, 1:37.4.

1,600: 1. Cory Sheena (WLN), 4:27.2; 2. Mike Gibbons (LS), 4:29.3; 3. Kevin deBear (S), 4:32.7; 4. Matt Lewandowski (P), 4:34.4; 5. Chris Schnable (WLC), 4:35.1; 6. Jacob Schofield (WM), 4:36.1; 7. Michael Charara (S), 4:39.3; 8. Jon Zurek (N), 4:40.30.

400 relay: 1. Franklin (Darell Myree, Isaac Cadet, Mike Baumgardner, Paul Voegel), 43.2; 2. John Glenn, 43.4; 3. Stevenson, 43.5; 4. Churchill, 44.2; 5. Central, 44.4; 6. Salem, 45.2; 7. Western,

45.6; 8. Northern, 46.3.

400: 1. Eric Piwowar (C), 51.9; 2. Derek Buskey (LS), 51.9; 3. John Lovelace (WLC), 52.1; 4. William Gutowski (LC), 52.5; 5. Thomas Ropek (WLN), 53.3; 6. Jack Schnable (WLC), 53.3; 7. Nate Sergison (LS), 53.3; 8. Noel Key (N), 53.3.

500 hurdles: 1. Cavan Corcoran (N), 39.0; 2. Tim Belcher (C), 39.2; 3. Ali Arastu (N), 39.4; 4. Myles White (LS), 40.7; 5. Scott O'Connor (S), 40.8; 6. Renaldo Powell (WM), 41.1; 7. Evan Gerish (N), 41.4; 8. Stuart Gregory (LF), 41.5.

800: 1. Brandon Grysko (LC), 2:00.1; 2. Kyle Wallath (P), 2:01.2; 3. Eric Peterson (N), 2:01.3; 4. Cory Sheena (WLN), 2:01.5; 5. Michael Schmidt (LC), 2:01.5; 6. Eric Nodge (WLC), 2:05.1; 7. Nathan Wise (LC), 2:05.1; 8. Andrew Crimmins (WLC), 2:06.2.

200: 1. Larry Dawkins (JG), 21.9; 2. Keshawn Martin (JG), 22.4; 3. Derek Buskey (LS), 22.5; 4. Connor McKinney (P), 22.7.

5. Lucas Doe (WLN), 22.7; 6. Darell Myree (LF), 23.1; 7. Devon Easterling (LC), 23.7.

3,200: 1. Kevin deBear (S), 9:55.6; 2. Chris Schnable (WLC), 10:01.0; 3. Jon Zurek (N), 10:01.1; 4. Matt Devey (S), 10:04.0; 5. Joseph Varilone (LC), 10:05.3; 6. Duncan Spitz (C), 10:06.7; 7. Chad Norton (WLC), 10:12.6; 8. John Rhodes (WLN), 10:14.6.

1,600 relay: 1. Northville (Habib Khan, Ali Arastu, Aaron Chew, Cavan Corcoran), 3:30.7; 2. Stevenson, 3:32.6; 3. Canton, 3:32.8; 4. Plymouth, 3:36.6; 5. W.L. Central, 3:37.7; 6. Churchill, 3:38.6; 7. W.L. Northern, 3:40.0; 8. Franklin, 3:45.2.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Demolition romps, 38-0

Quarterback Bridget Porter threw four touchdown passes, two each to Kiana Dennis and Nicole Randolph, as the Detroit Demolition (4-1) rolled to a 38-0 victory May 24 over the host Kansas Tribe (3-2) in an Independent Women's Football League game.

Linebacker Yarden Henry made 11 tackles and defensive end Lateefa Moore anchored the Demolition's defensive line.

The Demolition return home 7 p.m. Saturday, May 31 at Livonia Franklin H.S. to face the Wisconsin Wolves.

Hole-in-one club

Bob Baron, 71, of Westland, used a 9-iron to card his first ace in 31 years of golf on the 119-yard, No. 4 hole, May 17, at Redford's Glenhurst Golf Course.

WYAA football signup

The Westland Youth Athletic Association begins its 50th year of football with 2008 season registration from 7-9 p.m. each Wednesday and 10 a.m. until noon on Saturdays at the WYAA's Lange Compound, located at 6050 Farmington Road (north of Ford Road).

Both the Meteors (41st year) and Comets (37th year) offer age groups for 7-8 (Junior Freshman), 8-10 (Freshman), 11-12 (Junior Varsity) and 11-14 (Varsity).

The cost is \$175-\$195. Non-residents are welcome at no extra fee. You must provide a current photo and new players must have a copy of their birth certificate. The age cut-off is Sept. 1 of the current year and there are weight restrictions for each age level.

For more information, including the WYAA's play for free program, call the Comets' Mark Simkow at (734) 731-11-76 or the Comets' Keith DeMolay at (734) 516-9269; or Galen Huren of

the Meteors at (734) 716-6047.

You can also visit www.wyaa.org; or call the WYAA office at (734) 421-0640.

WYAA cheerleading

Registration for Westland Youth Athletic Association cheerleading for the Meteors and Comets squads will be from 7-10 p.m. each Wednesday; also 10 a.m. until noon beginning each Saturday on May 10 at the WYAA's Lange Compound Building, 6050 Farmington Road (north of Ford Road).

Openings are available for both units' squad for Junior Freshman, ages 7-8; Freshman, 8-10; Junior Varsity, 10-12; and Varsity, 11-14. Non-resident are welcome at no extra fee.

The cost is \$135 for freshman, JV and varsity; or you will receive 27 \$5 raffle tickets (sell all 27 and there is no cost). The cost for instructional is \$115 (you will receive 23 \$5 raffle tickets (sell all 23 tickets and the cost is free).

For more information, call the Meteors' Kathy Henderson at (734) 968-3272; or the Comets' Caryn Timbs at (734) 722-5806.

You can also call the WYAA's Lange Compound during regular business hours at (734) 421-0640; or visit www.wyaa.org to inquire about the 2008 cheer for free program.

WYAA girls fast-pitch

The Westland Youth Athletic Association is seeking girls ages 10-16 to play fast-pitch softball Western Wayne County League, which begins in June. Openings remain for all age groups including 12-, 14- and 16-and-under.

Registration is from 7-9 p.m. Wednesdays and 10 a.m. until noon Saturdays at the WYAA Lange Compound Building, 6050 Farmington Road (north of Ford Road). For more information, call the WYAA during normal business hours or leave a message during non-business hours at (734) 421-0640.

SUMMER CAMPS/CLINCS

Glenn football camp

Westland John Glenn will stage a football camp for grades 5-10 from 9 a.m. until noon, Monday through Thursday, June 16-19.

The cost is \$50.

For more information, call Glenn varsity coach Tim Hardin at (734) 419-2329.

Madonna hoops camp

Madonna University men's basketball coach Chuck Henry has announced the 2008 All-Star Basketball Camp, which will take place the weeks of June 16-20 and July 28-Aug. 1 at Madonna.

Among instructors is camp founder Bernie Holowicki.

Each camper is guaranteed plenty of instruction on fundamentals of the game, with an 8-1 ratio of campers to instructors.

The camp sessions will run from 9 a.m. through 3 p.m. each day, for boys ages 8-15. Cost is \$175 per week, with checks payable to All-Star Basketball Camp, 42183 Woodcreek Lane, Canton, 48188.

For more information, call (734) 398-5975, (734) 432-5591 or e-mail to nemenhiser@madonna.edu.

C'ville boys basketball

The eighth annual Trojan Basketball Kids camp for grades four-nine will be from 9 a.m. until noon, Monday through Thursday, June 16-19, at Clarenceville High School.

The registration fee is \$60 and checks should be made payable to: Clarenceville Basketball.

For more information, e-mail boys varsity coach Corey McKendry at Cmac721@yahoo.com; or call Clarenceville athletic director Kevin Murphy at (248) 919-0217.

Glenn basketball camp

The Westland John Glenn basketball camp for boys and girls in grades 3-9 will be from noon until 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday, June 23-26, at the high school gymnasium.

The cost is \$50 (includes T-shirt if registered by June 14).

For more information, e-mail camp director and varsity boys basketball coach Dan Young at youngda22@yahoo.com

Future Stars baseball

Livonia Franklin High will stage its Future Stars summer baseball camp for boys or girls exiting grades three-six from 9 a.m. until noon, Monday through Thursday, June 23-26, at the varsity baseball field.

The cost is \$60 (includes camp T-shirt).

The registration deadline is Friday, June 20.

For more information, e-mail Franklin varsity coach Matt Fournier at mfournie2@livonia.k12.mi.us; or call (734) 968-0499.

C'ville girls basketball

The Livonia Clarenceville girls basketball camp for incoming grades 4-9, both beginners and advanced, will be from 9 a.m. until noon, Monday through Thursday, June 23-26, at the high school gymnasium.

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For more information, call Clarenceville girls coach Julie Patteson at (248) 219-4127.

MU 'Perimeter' camp

High school basketball players are invited to attend Madonna University's first All-Star Perimeter Camp, slated from 5:30-9 p.m. June 2-5 for players ages 14-18.

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Director of the camp is MU men's basketball coach Chuck Henry.

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Trojan Baseball Camp

Livonia Clarenceville varsity baseball coach Dan Miller and his staff will stage a youth baseball skills camp for boys entering grades 3-9 for the 2008-09 school year from 9 a.m. until noon, Monday through Thursday, June 23-26, at the high school diamond, located at 20155 Middlebelt Road (behind the northwest corner of the high school gym).

The \$40 camp fee includes 12 hours of instruction and a T-shirt. The registration deadline is Saturday, June 14. Any late registrations are subject to an additional \$5 fee.

For more information, e-mail Miller at dmiller@clarenceville.k12.mi.us.

Blazer volleyball camp

Livonia Ladywood will stage a summer volleyball camp from 9 a.m. until noon (grades 3-6) and 6-9 p.m. (grades 7-9), Monday through Thursday, June 23-26, at the school's gymnasium. The fee is \$100 and should be made payable to Cameron Reiger and mailed to: Ladywood High School, 14680 Newburgh Road, Livonia, MI 48152. For more information, e-mail ckompo@yahoo.com.

Ladywood hoop camp

The 13th annual Blazer Basketball Camp will be from 9 a.m. to noon (girls grades 3-6) and 1-4 p.m. (girls grades 7-9), Monday through Thursday, June 16-19, at Ladywood High School, located at 14680 Newburgh Road, Livonia.

The cost is \$90 (before June 2) or \$100 (after June 2). Each camp session will be limited to the first 60 applicants. Each camper will receive a T-shirt.

For more information, call the Ladywood Athletic Department at (734) 591-2323; or e-mail varsity coach Andrea Gorski at coachgorski@gmail.com. To obtain a brochure, download www.ladywood.org.

Ladywood soccer

Livonia Ladywood will stage a soccer camp for girls only in grades K-9 from 9 a.m. until noon, Monday through Thursday, June 23-26.

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For more information, call the Schoolcraft Athletic Department at (734) 462-4804, Ext. 3; or e-mail athletic director Sid Fox at sfox@schoolcraft.edu.

Westside Football camp

The 26th annual Westside Football Camp for grades 5-9 will be from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., Monday through Thursday, June 16-19, at Novi-Detroit Catholic Central High school.

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Building muscle best way to add weight

Jim is an athlete at a local high school. He writes for tips on gaining weight.

Jim, millions of Americans would love to have your problem! For thousands of teenage athletes all across the United States, gaining weight and keeping it on is a real problem. Ask many high school coaches and they will tell you that kids often ask about weight-gaining techniques. The problem is that not all metabolisms are created equal! Two people can overeat for a week and one will pack on the pounds and the other won't gain an ounce.



Peter's Principles

Peter Nielsen

can boost calorie intake by eating more food, but they have to be careful about the food that they eat. They should stay away from fast food and concentrate on a healthy well-balanced diet.

Jill from Troy plays several sports and e-mails for ways to build up her hamstrings.

Jill, the hamstrings (the back part of the thigh) are a critical part of your overall body strength. But they are often the Achilles' heel of strength/speed athletes. Here is an example: A woman is sprinting to the ball during a soccer game, when suddenly her hamstrings simply give out! She might have had strong hamstrings, but they were out of balance with her stronger quad muscles. That is why they gave out when she turned on the afterburners going after the ball.

One of the most effective ways to build hamstrings is by doing squats, so developing an effective squat workout program is key. You should also practice hamstring-strengthening exercises like leg curls and stiffleg lifts. This will help make sure the hamstrings stay in balance with the more powerful quads and glutes!

If you have a health or fitness question you would like answered in the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, e-mail Peter through his Web site www.peternielsen.com. Contact him at Peter Nielsen's Personal Training Club in West Bloomfield or Nielsen's Town Center Health Club in Southfield.

Making every night a good night

Treating obstructive sleep apnea may reduce health risks.

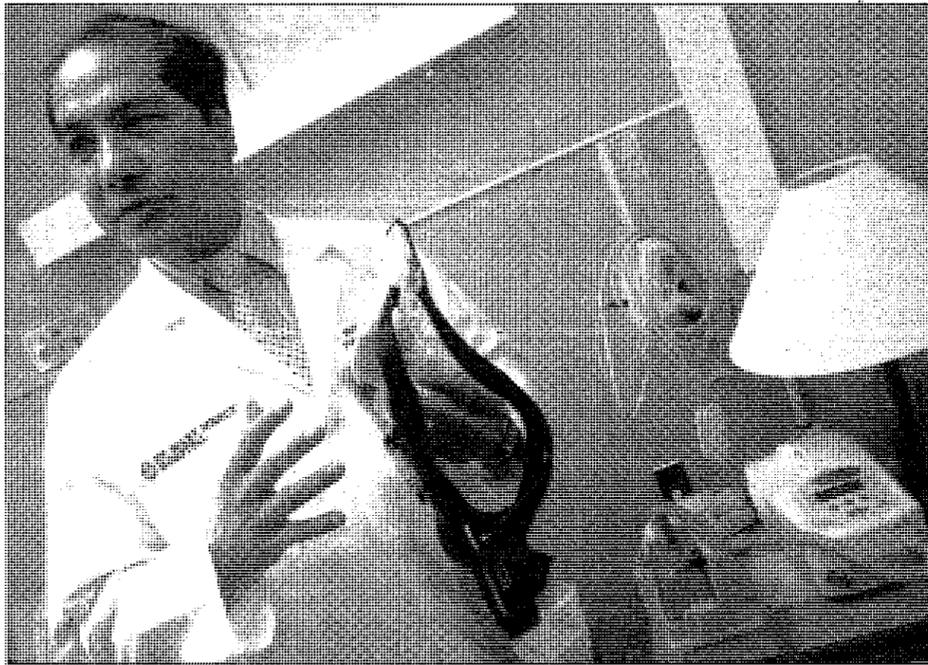
BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
O&E STAFF WRITER

Todd Rheim's solution to fatigue was coffee. The Plymouth man could even drink the caffeinated beverage before bedtime and still sleep but it wasn't restful.

After a close friend told him he was gasping for air in the middle of the night, Rheim went to his primary care physician who referred him to the St. Mary Mercy Hospital Sleep Disorders Center in Livonia. In December he was diagnosed with obstructive sleep apnea which causes the airway to collapse. A sleep study revealed he stopped breathing over 300 times a night.

Rheim suffers from allergies and asthma, but overall his health is good. Still he was concerned because obstructive sleep apnea can lead to high blood pressure and heart problems like arrhythmias. Studies released last Monday at the American Thoracic Society International Conference in Toronto showed stroke patients with obstructive sleep apnea died sooner and that CPAP treatment for the disorder may reduce blood pressure in adults with hypertension. Rheim has been using the machine every night for several months. Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP) devices provide a stream of air through a mask to keep the airway open.

"I was always tired," said Rheim, 36, a physical therapy assistant who deals in real estate. "I was drinking coffee all day long not because I like the taste but because I had too. The first day I used the CPAP it was snoring pretty hard and I woke up and felt so well rested. It was 6 a.m. and I went and shoveled three drives and felt great. I didn't even need coffee and thought this is what people feel like in the morning. I feel I can get more done and I'm not as irritable."



TOM HOFFMEYER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Dr. Michael Gamiao talks about the Sleep Disorder Center at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia and of the different treatments that are offered including the use of a CPAP mask to help patients who suffer from sleep apnea.

Dr. Michael Gamiao says as many as 1 in 4 Americans have obstructive sleep apnea and may not know it until a spouse complains about their loud snoring or struggles to breathe, or they recognize the symptoms of daytime sleepiness, lack of concentration and irritability. Gamiao has been treating patients with sleeping disorders for 10 years.

"We're more aware about it now," said Gamiao, sleep center medical director and a specialist in pulmonary diseases, critical care medicine and sleep disorders. "We think there's more incidence of sleep apnea because of the growing incidence of obesity. It affects age 40 and up, usually male and post-menopausal women. If they already have heart disease, diabetes it makes it worse. One large cause of hypertension is sleep apnea. There's a lot of research going on. The lat-

est research shows it can aggravate stroke, heart attacks, hypertension."

Rheim's numbers were not unusual for someone with severe sleep apnea. Patients are rated as mild, moderate or severe depending how many respiratory events occur each hour. Gamiao points out the results of one patient's sleep study on the computer screen in the sleep center. One line goes flat to indicate breathing has stopped. Patients actually sleep through the study while their brain activities, breathing, heart, and oxygen level are monitored.

It's Gayle Young's job as technical coordinator to interpret the results of the 900-page studies done at the center which is accredited by the American Academy of Sleep Medicine. Then one of the center physicians determine the specific disorder - restless legs, insomnia,

obstructive sleep apnea.

"They don't have to be obese," said Young. "It can be caused by large tonsils limiting the air flow, genetic makeup, sleep hygiene. Many people have very terrible sleep patterns. They sleep with the TV on, drink coffee until they go to bed. After the doctor reads it they have to come back for a second night if it's sleep apnea to determine the pressure. CPAP keeps them in deeper sleep so they feel rested and the body can rejuvenate itself."

"The best treatment is the CPAP," said Gamiao demonstrating a BiPAP machine and mask. "Before we used to do surgery but with not as good results as the CPAP. It does go away with weight loss. Some of my patients went for bariatric surgery and came off the CPAP."

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Eat safely on your picnic

Picnics are a fun way to share the day with family and friends. Francie Astrom, a licensed dietician with Ohio University's wellness program, Well Works, serves up some tips to make your next picnic healthy and safe.

"Getting ready to share the day also means you need to do some planning for a healthy picnic. Summer heat can speed up the growth of bacteria in food which can grow to an unhealthy level in as little as two hours," said Astrom.

Pre-planning and a few simple steps to help protect food, before and after preparation, can stop the family picnic from ending with abdominal pain or a trip to the emergency room.

Pack two coolers, one for prepared foods that are ready to be served and one for the foods you plan to cook at the picnic site. This eliminates juices from uncooked meat, poultry or fish from contaminating salads and desserts.

Chill out. Cool beverages at home before packing them in the cooler. They will stay cold

longer and be ready to drink when you arrive from the long trip and start to set up.

Keep the cooler cool. If you have room, put all the coolers in the air conditioned car not the hot trunk while traveling. At the picnic site, cover the coolers with a blanket or keep them in a tent to decrease heat from the sun. If you are at the beach, bury the cooler half deep in the sand to insulate it.

Keep meat safe. Marinate meat or poultry at home in the refrigerator, saving some unused marinade in a separate container to use at the grill. Don't reuse the marinade from the raw meat. It may contaminate the cooked food. Don't let meats, poultry or fish sit out while the grill heats up. Take meats out of the cooler once the coals are white hot and ready.

Trade plates. When cooked meats are ready to serve use a clean plate. Don't reuse the plate that held the raw meat which can contaminate the cooked food with bacteria.

As items finish grilling, place them on the side of the grill to

keep them warm until ready to serve.

Keep coolers closed as much as possible, and if possible, use a bowl of ice to keep salads cold while serving especially those containing mayonnaise or dressings.

It is always a good idea to pack drinking water as many parks may not have safe drinking water. Also if you wash your dishes at the picnic site, it is a good idea to rewash them when you get home to decrease bacterial contamination.

Two hours and trash. Remember cooked and prepared foods do not last forever in the hot sun.

Once food has been off the grill or out of the cooler for two hours it should be put into the trash. One hour is the limit on days with a temperature above 90 degrees.

Think first in, last out. When packing the cooler put in foods first that you want to take out last to keep from digging in the cooler and spilling food.

Safety First. Always pack a first aid kit and sunscreen.

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

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Divorce support group

Financial fitness with Jeanne Gonyer Baldwin, CFP, includes basics of several financial issues and strategies to deal with them 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, May 27, at Women's Resource Center, room 225, McDowell Center, Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. (734) 462-4443.

Fibromyalgia lecture

7-9 p.m. Thursday, May 29, Dr. Mitchell Elkins a neurologist, presents Acupuncture in the Management of Fibromyalgia, at Farmington Community Library, 32737 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills. RSVP a few days before lecture if you will be attending by sending e-mail to smoz23915@aol.com. Cost \$5 to help pay for the room. For information, go to hfccf.org and click on events or call (248) 344-0896.

Race for the cure

17th Annual Susan G. Komen Detroit Race for the Cure presented by

Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute - 5K Run/Walk and One-Mile Walk 7-11:30 a.m. Saturday, May 31, at Comerica Park, Detroit. Organizations can get involved through sponsorship opportunities or by hosting a team. For details on sponsoring the race, call (248) 351-1862. Individual registration runs through May 29, at www.karmanos.org/raceforthechcure/detroit. Cost \$12-\$40. On-site registration available beginning 7 a.m. on race day or at May 30 Expo, a free event 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, May 30 with entertainment, merchandise, pink ribbons to honor loved ones and other surprises, at Max Fisher Music Center, 3711 Woodward, Detroit. Visit www.karmanos.org or call (800) KARMANOS.

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For Camp Discovery for children with epilepsy (June 29 to July 3), at Sherman Lake YMCA Outdoor Center in Augusta, northwest of Kalamazoo. Volunteer training from experts

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UPCOMING

Cancer Survivors' Celebration

Sunday, June 1, 11:30 a.m. Reception, noon to 1 p.m. Program with guest speaker and singer Elaine Greenberg, St. Mary Mercy Hospital South Lobby, Five Mile and Levan, Livonia. Greenberg is an 8-year ovarian cancer survivor who used music to heal during her own recovery. Tours will be available for the Our Lady of Hope Cancer Center, Hearts of Livonia Healing Center, Helen Palmer Image Recovery Center, and Radiation Oncology Department. The event is free. For more information and to RSVP, call (734) 655-8950.

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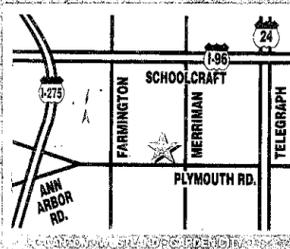
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New book reveals stories of the poor

I always enjoy when Brother Vincent Reyes comes for tea because I know he'll share stories of the poor he serves at the Capuchin Soup Kitchen. Father Solanus Casey and the friars started feeding the hungry there in 1929. Even though I've visited both locations in Detroit, I've never had the opportunity to speak with the guests as Reyes likes to call them. Maybe it's the journalist in me or simply the human being that wants to know how they end up at the soup kitchen.



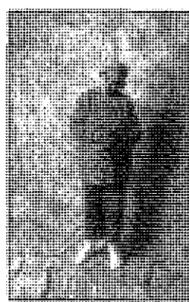
Linda Chomin

Reyes made a promise when he came to Detroit in 1998 to get to know the poor by eating with them but it wasn't until he decided to tell their stories through photographs that he learned some have been coming to the soup kitchen since they were children. One man wakes up everyday under a bridge. Reyes recorded them all after each was photographed by him and photojournalists Ed Haun and Chip Somodevilla of the *Detroit Free Press*, and Elizabeth Conley and Steve Perez of the *Detroit News*. The all-volunteer project took more than three years to complete. The book, *My Name Is*, was recently released by Wayne State University Press. Proceeds go to the soup kitchen.

Anthony or "Pops" graduated from Wayne State University but got lost in the haze of heroin addiction until he turned to God in 1976. He used to work in the cemetery across the street from the Capuchin Soup Kitchen. He wears a key on a chain around his neck to show he has a place to stay.

with the numbers, the 3 1/2 million pounds of food we provide to families a year, 55,000 to 60,000 meals a month to hungry people. I needed to humanize the numbers, to put a face on the poor."

More importantly he needed to give them a name. Anthony or "Pops" is a graduate of Wayne State University who lost his way through a haze of heroin until one day in 1976 he asked for God's help.



Sarah came from a family of 3 girls and 8 boys. Her father beat her mother so bad she and the kids eventually left him. Sarah came to Detroit after the Ku Klux Klan started following her in Selma, Alabama where she was born.

'now I won't be forgotten.' Alfredia on the back (cover) got caught up in drugs. It's an addiction. They don't know how to do anything about it. I got a chance to listen to people in a different way and give people a glimpse into the reality of the poor. They leave no shadow in society. People walk by. My life has been richer because of them. I would hear again and again, 'I'm blessed' and I knew they slept on the streets."

The poor are one of the reasons Reyes became a friar in 1961. Since then he's served as a retreat director in St. Clair, an emergency room chaplain in a Chicago hospital and a photog-

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Activities appeal to kids with variety of interests

SUMMER CAMPS



BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Summer camps aren't just for fun anymore. Kids learn valuable skills that can shape the rest of their lives. Nancy Florkowski's two kids grew up in Redford going to her Motor City Youth Theatre camps. Today son Jody, 29, directs plays at Berkley High School; daughter Jenny, 26, toured nationally with *Cats* and *42nd Street*.

This summer MCYT offered everything from auditioning for theater to singing, dancing, and Shakespeare at the Grantland Street Playhouse in Livonia. Deadline for registration is June 10. Call (313) 535-8962. Florkowski is also holding auditions for *Brundibar*, a children's opera in June. Currently playing at the theater is *Oliver*.

This year's camp staff includes Shannon VanEsley, a former MCYT student who lives in New York where she performs professionally with children's theater, and Ray Schmidt, music director at St. Aidan's Church, Thurston High

School and Pierce Middle School.

"We're offering skill building for children of all levels," said Florkowski. "Shakespeare for Kids I'm excited about because last summer we made a short attempt at it and it was very successful. Many adults are so unfamiliar with Shakespeare because they missed out on it as a child. I want them not to look at it as a scary thing."

FARMINGTON HILLS SPECIAL SERVICES

Herman Smith is especially looking forward to offering several new camps on self improvement and healthy living. Call (248) 473-1800 to register for camps beginning the week of June 16. For details about the activities in Heritage Park, the ice arena and the Costick Center, visit www.fhgov.com.

"We're offering soccer camp June 23 and Aug. 12. Kids love to play soccer so much and it gives everybody the opportunity so no one should be scared to come out and give it a try starting at age 6," said Smith, recreation supervisor. "We have a Get Fit and Healthy camp with Michigan

Martial Arts. With today's day and age we're trying to eat and live healthier (for ages 6 to 12, week of Aug. 25)."

Back to School Confidence camp (week of Aug. 18) features an action plan to have a successful school year (boys and girls ages 6-10). New for girls ages 6-11 is Grace and Charm camp to learn table manners, posture and poise, and cell phone etiquette (week of July 7).

"It's about party planning and making good decisions about including other kids," said Smith. Also new are magic, rock musician, forensic scientist, and horseback riding camps.

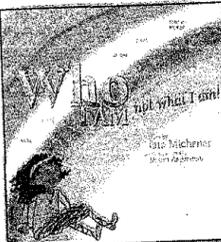
FARMINGTON HILLS CULTURAL ARTS DIVISION

Rachel Timlin loves the setting for the fine arts camp in Heritage Park in Farmington Hills. Camps start June 16. To register, visit the Costick Center or call 473-1800 or (248) 473-1859.

"We've added a second session of fine art camp which has a music and performance section,

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Local author pens book to help bi-racial children



"Who I Am Not What I Am" (AuthorHouse, \$12.49) is available at Borders, Barnes & Noble and amazon.com.

BOOK SIGNINGS

What: Tara Michener signs copies of her new book "Who I Am, Not What I Am"

When: Noon-3 p.m. June 7, Borders Express, Laurel Park Place, Livonia; noon-2 p.m. June 21, Waldenbooks, Westwood Mall, Jackson; 6-7 p.m. Blair Memorial Library, Clawson; 6:30-7 p.m. Sept. 2, Novi Public Library.

E-mail: whoiamnotwhatiam@yahoo.com

BY WENDSY VON BUSKIRK
ORE STAFF WRITER

Tara Michener never thought having biracial children would be a problem, but people around her did.

"Me and my husband, before we were married, certain people would ask about what we were going to do with the children," the Novi resident said.

With her sunny disposition, Michener didn't let the ques-



Tara Michener

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CAMPS

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visual art, photography, painting, story telling. Kids rotate through different sections throughout the day. They get to walk around Heritage Park and take photographs. It's gorgeous," said Timlin, cultural arts coordinator.

New this year is an advanced art camp for ages 12 to 17, the Figure and the Face which focuses on sculpting clay and portrait drawing. Theater camps return to the Farmington Players Barn (grades 1-9) as does the Next Stage program, a music performance camp for singers with professionals coaching students on how to perform on stage (ages 12 to 19).

BAILEY RECREATION CENTER

Good old-fashioned fun like swimming has a new twist in Westland. For a brochure, call 722-7620. Camps begin June 16.

"We have a new rock climbing wall," said Margaret Martin, program supervisor. "If you fall off the wall you fall in the water. Kids can have a really good time."

Hoop Stars basketball camp returns as does the Shoe Theatre Company. New camps include gymnastics, tennis and Abrakadoodle art.

"Shoe Theatre Company has been here before, but we have tons of stuff this summer, five

different types of camps," said Smith.

"The pool is opening. We renovated the pool last summer. We have a water chair that goes down the ramp for wheelchairs and a chair lift for disabled people who want to get into the pool. We're still offering swimming lessons."

LIVONIA COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER

As always, Barb Gamber is excited about Camp Swoosh, a water experience with different weekly themes for ages 6-11. For details, call 466-2900 or click on the recreation link then L Magazine at www.ci.livonia.mi.us.

"We do themes like circus week with Cirqueamongus. They practice two days then perform on that Friday. There's Cartoon Super Hero week, Wild Wild West," said Gamber, assistant facility manager. "We have a great lineup of sports camps as well from Skyhawks (soccer and multi sport camps) to Hype football camp for the first time. We've been doing basketball for the last two years. This is the first time doing baseball, and the third year for Scicluna camps for soccer."

A summer playground program meets Monday through Friday at local schools and parks.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS

The performing arts, pottery, and slimy art and science

are among the offerings this summer at the arts council. For details, call (734) 416-4278.

According to interim executive director Tammy Trudell, Youth ages 5-12 will work with science experiments and art the weeks of June 16, Aug. 11, and Aug. 18. The arts council also offers training in drama, musical theater, improvisation and pantomime as well as soccer and basketball.

D & M STUDIOS

Wild Things is the theme of this year's art camps at the studio and Canton's Summit on the Park. For details, call (734) 453-3710. Ages from 3 to 16 can express their creativity in paintings, pastels, ceramics, charcoal, papier mache, and more during week long camps beginning June 16. Van Gogh, Degas and Picasso are some of the artists that will be studied.

HEALTH EXPLORATION STATION

The Station at St. Joseph Mercy Health Center in Canton brings back its Amazing Me camp to teach second to four grade students about the human body and how to keep it healthy 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 4-8. For information, call (734) 398-7518.

KIDS ON CAMPUS

From advancing academic skills to aviation, animation, chess, robots, chess and

forensic science, kids on the campus of Schoolcraft College have a chance to expand their horizons. For details, call 462-4448 or visit www.schoolcraft.edu/koc.

Kids can design their own Web site, or make a hand-held game in a state-of-the-art manufacturing lab using computer aided design (CAD) and computer numerical control (CNC) machines. A scrubs program teaches how to take blood pressure and start an I.V. A field trip to a hospital demonstrates medical professionals in action.

CANTON LEISURE SERVICES

Camp Canton hosts programs ranging from crafts and swimming to field trips to the Detroit Science Center and Rolling Hills Water Park. Other offerings include art and drama. Call (734) 394-5460 or visit www.cantonmi.org.

"We're going green," said Jennifer Judycki who runs Camp Canton. "All materials are recycled for crafts. We try to bring in speakers to talk about leaving no waste behind. We have a garden. The kids help us plant things. We purchase caterpillars and watch the life cycle as they go to butterflies. Last year we did tadpoles and watched them turn into frogs. We try to sneak in some learning without them knowing it."

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John is a skilled tradesman who can't find a job. Marge was born in Grosse Pointe and grew up without her mother who died of a heart attack at age 38.

POOR

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raper documenting the Capuchin's South American missions. Today, he's working on a project to tell the story of the novices taking their vows Aug. 2. Like him, they see themselves as making a difference.

Beth Collison learned about Reyes and the book while working with the Capuchin's Reaching Our Potential Everyday program that teaches baking skills to men who have spent time in jail. Collison purchases the breads, cookies, pies and muffins to serve to customers at the Faith At Work Catholic book store/coffee house in Troy.

The nonprofit opened March 13. Reyes was the first book signing on May 17.

"I love the book because you can truly hear the person speaking as you read it," said Collison. "Their stories are faith-filled, inspirational. They really are just rich."

My Name Is costs \$25 and is available at Faith at Work, 1977 E. Wattles and through Wayne State University Press (wsupress.wayne.edu, click on Detroit). For signed copies, call Reyes at (734) 579-2100, ext. 203. Reyes is also available to speak at parishes or for book signings.

Linda Chomin is the health and community life reporter for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. She can be reached at lchomin@hometownlife.com or (734) 953-2145.

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UPDATE ON RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS

Of first importance is that the diagnosis of rheumatoid arthritis still depends on a history of joint pain in the hands and feet that comes on over weeks and persists without relief.

Examination still needs to show swelling in the joints of the hand and pain in the balls of the feet. In addition, the physician should see difficulty in movement of the shoulders and knees.

Advances in joint imaging with Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) means that the doctor can uncover damage to bone that conventional x-rays could not pick up. Ultrasound equipment now under development, holds promise of revealing inflammation before it causes extensive damage and joint impairment. With this knowledge a doctor can begin vigorous therapy early in the disease and increase the likelihood of success.

New drug therapies such as Enbrel, Humira, and Remicade provide physicians with medications that can augment methotrexate, the basic weapon against inflammation. These new medicines while excellent, bring a risk of susceptibility to unusual infections. Also, these new therapies are costly; insurance companies are reluctant to accept the cost until physicians have exhausted other less expensive remedies.

Investigations into the cause of rheumatoid arthritis continue. Sufficient information on the genes involved, the molecular biology and the role of environmental change are coming together. Ultimately, this understanding will allow physicians to decide the best therapy for each patient based on that person's profile of disease.

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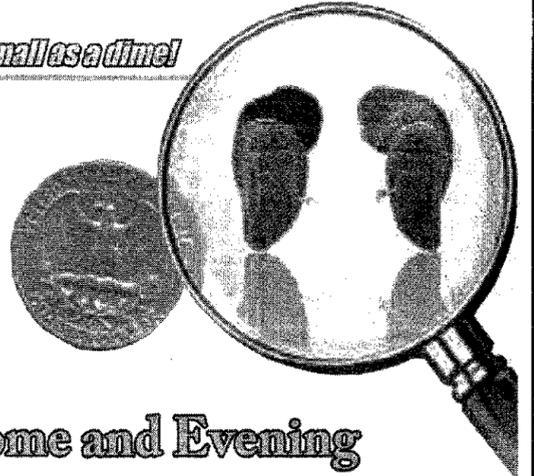
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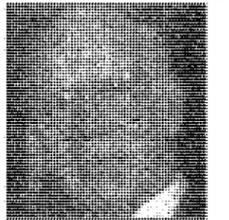
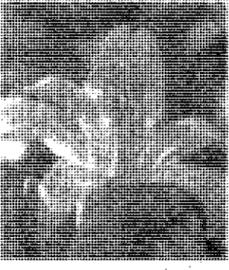
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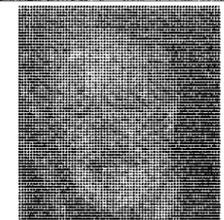


LESLIE "Jim" BATTEY

Age 80, May 16, 2008 in Beaumont Hospice. Beloved husband of Rose Marie (Thomadsen) and the late Paula. Loving father of Barbara Curtis, James (Judy Muse), Karen (Alan) Machcinski, Alice (Kevin) Yash, Paul and David. Loving stepfather to Kaarli Thomadsen, Kimberly (Evan) Kiebler and Kristin (Laurence) Grey. Proud grandfather of eighteen and great-grandfather of four. Dearest brother of Robert (Barbara). U.S. Army veteran. He had deep faith in God and lived his life accordingly. Funeral service Saturday, May 24, 2008, at 10 a.m., at Christ Church Cranbrook, Bloomfield Hills. Expressions of sympathy or memorials may be shared with the family at: www.creationmichigan.com

ALF ERVIN BOSS

Age 90, of Fishers, Indiana passed away Tuesday, May 20, 2008 in Carmel, Indiana. He was born September 11, 1917 in Waveland, Arkansas to Priscilla (Shott) and Lewis Boss. He was owner and operator of Boss Auto Parts in Dearborn, MI. In addition to his wife, Elizabeth (Zwarka) Boss, he is survived by his daughter, Deborah (Larry) Taylor; grandchildren Kaitlyn and Evan Taylor; and several nieces and nephews. Graveside service was held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 24, at Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia, MI.



WILLIAM EDWARD BOYD

May 21, 2008, age 83, of Rochester Hills. Beloved husband of the late Mary. Dear father of Michael Boyd (Barbara Weiden Boyd), Katherine Boychuk (Bruce) Dennis Boyd (Patricia Kozdras Boyd), and the late Margaret Patel. Grandfather of Christopher and Rachel Boyd. Brother of Beverly Byrnes. Funeral services have been held. In lieu of flowers memorial tributes to Mercy Bellbrook for the Celebration Garden, A. J. Desmond & Sons, 248-362-2500. View obituary and share memories at: www.DesmondFuneralHome.com



MADELEINE L. BROOKS

Age 91, West Bloomfield, MI, passed May 19, 2008. Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, MI



JOHN B. JOLLY "JJ"

Age 56 (Suddenly) May 18, 2008 of Clawson. Owner of Northwestern - 12 Mile Rentals. Lifelong horseman with a farm in Howell. Son of the late Edgar and Charlotte Jolly. Lifelong companion of Patti Luzod and children, Stacy Luzod and Mike (Katie) Luzod. Brother of Carla (Jim) Cleary, Ed (Gale) Jolly, Craig Jolly and Margaret (Tom) Stacy. Uncle of Kristin (Andres), Katie, Megan, Chris, Chelsea, Tom, Kelly and Teddy. Also, many loyal lifelong friends. Funeral services have been held. Memorials appreciated to American Heart/Stroke Association or Michigan Humane Society. Arrangements entrusted to Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors, 248-435-0660. Obituary and condolences at: lynchfuneraldirectors.com

PAUL DONALD DENN, P.E.

Age 83, died peacefully with his family by his side at Marquette General Hospital May 21, 2008. Paul relished life, his large and extended family, the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, and hobbies such as carpentry, photography, boating, flying, traveling and painting. Paul was born June 2, 1924, the son of George and Violet (Carriere) Denn of Ishpeming, MI. There he found his great love of the outdoors, exploring the lakes, mines and back roads of the area. He also forged life-long bonds with childhood friends and relatives that enriched his life until the end. Known by the nickname "Slide Rule Paul", he was an outstanding student. He earned his BS (MTU) with honors, and MS (Wayne State) in Mechanical Engineering. After military service in the Marines during World War II and the Air Force Reserves, Paul began a 32 year career with the Federal Government, Dept. of the Army as a civilian. He achieved the position of Deputy Director of the Tank-Automotive Systems Laboratory, TACOM in Warren, MI. Paul was especially proud to have earned his license as a Registered Professional Engineer of Michigan, although it often caused him to be addressed as Mr. "Dennpe". He was elected a Fellow of the Michigan Society of Professional Engineers. Paul received many commendations during his career, including the "Decoration for Meritorious Civilian Service" from the Dept. of the Army. Paul published many engineering articles and was active with many professional organizations and enjoyed a rich and fulfilling career. In his personal life, Paul married Patricia Cargo, also a Michigan native and moved to the Detroit area where they raised six children who thought it was normal to have model tanks and ordinance calendars decorating the den. The family was active in Scouting, outdoor activities. Paul and Dorothy Peterson, of Ishpeming, both widowed, found each other and started their marriage Jan. 1, 2000. During the past seven years they have enjoyed exploring their way across the country to Lake Havasu City, AZ, to escape the northern cold. In summers they live on Lake Michigan taking in the stunning sunsets Paul loved. Dorothy and her extended family have embraced Paul and helped immensely with his care during as his health declined. Paul's easy humor, welcoming presence and generous nature will live on in the hearts of his family and a host of friends. Paul is survived by his wife, Dorothy, and five children, Diana (Joseph) Petrosky of Almont, MI; Jacqueline (Marty Calden) Denn of Chicago; Colleen (John) Leonard of Lexington, NC; Michael (Ruth Busch) Denn of Wildwood, MO; Susan (John) Taube of Troy, MI; and nine grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son, Paul D. Denn, Jr. and his sister, Rosemary Tomlinson. He is also survived by step-children Don (Laura Lane) Peterson, of Marquette; Brian (Vaterie) Peterson, of Negaunee; and Janice (Paul Herron) Peterson of Memphis; and their eight children and grandchildren. A visitation will be held Saturday, May 24 from 4pm to 6 pm at Bjork and Zhulkie Funeral Home in Ishpeming, Sunday, May 25 visitation will be held at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Champion, MI from 2pm to 3pm with a Mass of Christian Burial to be celebrated at 3pm with Rev. Fr. Greg Heikkala to officiate. A luncheon will follow in the church hall. Interment will take place at the Ishpeming Cemetery, with military honors performed by the V.V.A. Chapter #380. Memorial donations can be directed to the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Champion, MI 49814 or to the Ishpeming Branch of the Marquette Community Fund, 401 E. Fair Ave., P.O. Box 37, Marquette, MI 49855. Paul's obituary may also be viewed at www.bjorkandzhulkie.com where relatives and friends may leave a note of remembrance.



ROBERT C. HARRINGTON

Age 86, of West Branch, passed away Wednesday, May 21, 2008 at his home after an extended illness. He had lived in West Branch for the past 10 years, formerly of Southfield. He was a member of the VFW Post #3775 of West Branch and the K of C #2022. He enjoyed golf, woodcarving, bird hunting, raising Labrador retrievers and telling stories. Robert is survived by his wife Ramona Harrington of West Branch, children, Laura (George) Dutton of Southfield, Lisa (Michael) Little of Center Line and Marjorie (David) Heathcoat of Keller, TX, grandchildren, Jamie Dutton, Jennifer (A.J.) Wasielewski, Sarah (Jason) Akins, Michael (Christy) Little, J.D. Heathcoat, Megan Heathcoat, Connor Heathcoat and great-grandchildren, Tyler, Kendra and Katie Little. Also surviving are his sisters, Marguerite Harrington of Southfield and Carol Hrycko of Arizona and his brother, Donald Harrington of Brighton. He was preceded in death by his brothers, Dr. Jack Harrington, Dr. Edward Harrington and Fr. Elwin Harrington OFM and his sister, Janet Grewe. Visitation will begin on Thursday, May 22, 2008 from 1-9 p.m. with a K of C Rosary at 7:30 p.m. and a Scripture service at 8:00 p.m. The Funeral Mass will be held at 2:00 p.m. Friday at St. Joseph Catholic Church in West Branch. Fr. Richard Seiffert will officiate with burial following at St. Joseph Cemetery. Memorial Contributions may be made to Hospice of Helping Hands.

DONALD D. TEMPLE

Age 72, of Cheboygan, May 22, 2008. Beloved husband of 48 years to Nancy; dear father of Jeffrey (Lisa), Katherine (Bill) Williams, Dean (Nicole) and Michael (Natalia) and loving brother-in-law of Keith (Lori) Kennedy. Mr. Temple is also survived by 11 grandchildren. Memorial service Tuesday, May 27th, 10:30am at the Heenev-Sundquist Funeral Home, 23720 Farmington Rd., (btw. 9-10 Mile Rds; just N of Grand River), downtown Farmington, (248-474-5200. Memorial tributes suggested to St. Joseph Mercy Hospice or Pastoral Care Dept. of St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home. heenev-sundquist.com

CHRISTINE M. VAN BAALEN

Of Bloomfield Hills, died Tuesday, May 20, 2008, after a lengthy illness at Shelby Nursing Center in Shelby Township. Mrs. Van Baalen was the office manager for the Detroit office of Magnaflux Corporation. She was an accomplished artist and musician who received a masters degree in piano performance. Christine is survived by seven nieces and nephews and was predeceased by her husband Marc J. Van Baalen. Arrangements were made by the Wm. R. Hamilton Co. Funeral Home. Interment on Friday, May 23, 2008 at Evergreen Cemetery will be preceded by a brief, private viewing at the cemetery chapel at 10:30 a.m. A Memorial Mass for friends and family will follow at a later date. Donation in lieu of flowers may be made to the Adrian Dominican Nuns.

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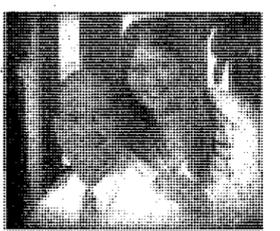
PAUL THOMAS WELTON

Of Farmington. Beloved life long partner/companion of Jeff Lindau, also of Farmington, passed away on May 13, 2008. He was 58 years old. In addition, he is survived by sisters, Maryanne Mitrak of Sterling Heights, Louise Okon of Sterling Heights, Kathleen Okon of Lakewood, Colorado, Elizabeth Coles of Summerfield, Florida, brother Ted Okon of Warren, Aunt Betty Morton of Algonac, Michigan, and numerous nieces and nephews. A memorial service will be announced.

ENGAGEMENTS



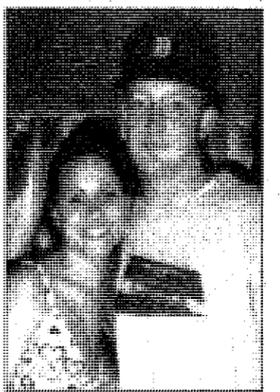
Siebert-Holdeman
Kathryn Ann Siebert of Mantua, N.J., and Seth Forest Holdeman of Itasca, Ill., are planning to be wed in August. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Faith and Evans Neale and Elliott Siebert. She is a 1989 graduate of Clearview High School and is employed as the general manager of Hampton Inn in W. Bridgeport, N.J. The future groom is the son of Don and Pam Holdeman of



Westland. He is a 2000 graduate of Michigan Technological University and is employed as a mechanical engineer for Power Great Lakes in Illinois.

Walsh-Johnson
Mrs. Philip Brooks of Canton announces the engagement of her daughter, Kristin Kelly Walsh, to Jonathan Michael Johnson, son of Stephen Johnson and Margaret Johnson of Plymouth. Kristin is also the daughter of Gregory Walsh of Howell. Kristin is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University with a degree in business administration. Jonathan also holds a degree in business administration from Madonna University. A winter wedding in February 2009 has been planned. Kristin, originally from Canton and Jonathan, originally from Plymouth, currently reside in South Carolina.

Borczak-Tomasik
John and Loretta Ingham of Redford announce the engagement of their daughter, Jamei Borczak to Curt Tomasik, son of Bev and Jim Tomasik of Redford. The bride-to-be is a graduate of Redford Union High School and is employed by ERS Restoring Co. in Livonia. The future groom received his diploma in Redford and is employed by R&D Enterprise of Plymouth. A wedding is planned for June 28, 2008, in Northville.



BIRTH

Hayden Theodore Wyble
Juliette and Dru Wyble announce the birth of their son, Hayden Theodore Wyble, on April 29, 2008, at the Aviano Air Force Hospital in Aviano, Italy. Hayden weighed 7 pounds, 30 ounces and was 19.5 inches long at birth. Grandparents are James and Jacqueline McCloud of Westland of Westland, Greg and Dana Landstrom of California, Jeanette Kiffer of Guam and Jerry Wyble of Texas. Great-grandparents are John and Alice Wetterholt of Muskegon and Anna Landstrom of California.



REUNIONS

- Berkley High School Class of 1958**
Planning a 50th Reunion, Sept 19-21, 2008. All members of January 1958, June 1958 and January 1959 are invited. At Somerset Inn, 2601 West Big Beaver Road, Troy. Events include: a Friday evening hospitality party, Saturday afternoon tour of BHS and lunch, dinner Party at the hotel on Saturday evening and brunch at hotel Sunday morning followed by a golf outing. Contact: csingerbhs58reunion.org for access to the web site: www.bhs58reunion.org or call Jackie Yorgen Castine, (248) 332-5984.
- Brighton High School Class of 1989**
Planning our 20th reunion and searching for classmates. Please sign up at "yahoo groups- brighton high school class of 1989" to get more information.
- Clarenceville High School Class of 1988**
A reunion is being planned for the summer of 2008. Trying to reach as many classmates as possible. Send contact information to Dale Weighill at reunion@gfn.org.
- Crestwood High School Class of 1968**
A 40th class reunion Oct 4, 2008. For information, contact Gail Goodall Welch, (313) 937-3477 or e-mail CHS1968Sec@yahoo.com.
- Dearborn High School Class of 1963**
A 45-year reunion planned Aug. 1, 2008. Father Patrick O'Kelley Hall,
- Dearborn. Contact Betsy Cushman at (313) 565-5972 or ecushman@comcast.net.
- Dearborn Edsel Ford Classes of 1958**
The 1958 January and June Classes of Dearborn and Edsel Ford High Schools are having a combined 50-Year Reunion on Saturday Aug. 2, 2008 at the Dearborn Country Club. Judy Richards Goerke at (313) 562-9031, judygoerke@yahoo.com or Shirley Chiado Peters at (248) 348-9443, Shirley.peters@villageford.net may be contacted for further information.
- Dearborn Edsel Ford January Class of 1958**
A 50th reunion will be held Oct. 3 at the Dearborn Inn. Note the October date and location for the January class reunion. Call Nancy at (248) 851-5257 or Pat at (734) 427-0256 for further information.
- Dearborn Edsel Ford Class of 1968**
A 40-year reunion Aug. 2, 2008, at Patrick O'Kelly Knights of Columbus in Dearborn. For more information, contact Janet Wszola Robbins at (313) 277-1418 or Susan Taylor Szalony at (248) 348-6692.
- Dearborn Fordson Class of 1969**
Planning a reunion. Please contact Kathy Nisun at (248) 363-5679 or e-mail: Kaynini@comcast.net or Kathy Shoebridge @ Kiivngston@nu-core.com.
- Class of 1958**
A 50-year reunion on Aug. 2, 2008, at Park Place. Reservations only. For information, please contact Marsha
- (Duza) Movesian, (313) 277-5624, or Joyce (Anderson) Mechalko, (313) 278-4488.
- Detroit Cass Tech Class of 1958**
A 50-year reunion, Oct. 11, 2008. For details, call Isabelle at (313) 882-4626 and at casstech58.com.
- Chadsey High School Class of 1957**
An Alumni Dinner will be held Saturday, Oct. 11, at American Legion Post No. 32, at 9315 Newburgh in Livonia. Contact Pat at 734-522-1284.
- Detroit Chadsey High School Class of 1958**
A 50-year reunion, Friday, Sept. 19, 2008, at Burton Manor, Livonia. \$55 per person. Contact, Mike Poterala, (248) 548-4829 or mipoterala@comcast.net.
- Detroit Christ the King Elementary Class of 1963**
A 45-year reunion is being planned for 2008. Searching for classmates. The reunion date has not been set. Contact Dennis Place at (734) 354-0223 or email denplace@bigfoot.com.
- Detroit Holy Redeemer High School Class of 1958**
A 50th reunion on Saturday, Oct. 4, 2008, at O'Kelley K of C, Dearborn. Contact Mary Burns at (313) 937-3979 or burnsmary@aol.com for information.
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A 50-year Reunion will be on Saturday, Sept. 20, 2008. Contact Bester King, (248) 547-1693, or Jackie Wilkinson, (313) 861-0834.

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tions bother her, but she did start looking for answers — and soon realized it was hard to find books dealing with the subject of biracial kids. So, she decided to write one. "We didn't find a whole lot for a child who would be like ours," Michener said. "I wanted to write a book anyway, and thought this was a great subject to start with." The result is "Who I Am, Not What I Am!" (AuthorHouse, \$12.49) a colorful 28-page story aimed at children ages 4-8. The book's main character is Janelle, a 6-year-old girl whose mother is black and father is white. At school Janelle is asked by other children 'what' she is. "I went home that day and talked to my mom. I asked her what am I. She said I am beautiful, I am God's child, I am unique and I am blessed," the book says. Throughout the book, Janelle realizes she is smart, short for her age, loves ice cream and is good at ice skating.

"I am more than just a color or two," Janelle concludes. Michener's story is brought to life with illustrations by Jessica Ingerstein, also of Novi. Michener grew up in Pontiac and lived in Livonia before moving to Novi in 2005. She earned a bachelor's degree in journalism and public relations from Madonna University, and worked at the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers* before getting hired at Valassis. There, she helps scout new talent and serves as recruitment chair with the company's Diversity Council. She feels educating people in the workplace about diversity is important, yet even more crucial is starting with kids. "In the corporate world we have to teach adults to unlearn," Michener said. "If we can train children early that people are people, we'll have a different America. But it's up to us to teach them." Michener said she has struggled herself with issues of race, especially since she met her husband, Jason, who is white. The couple doesn't have children yet, but hopes to

someday. "Once we started dating, people who I thought were open-minded and accepting would make comments that were derogatory and insensitive. When we went out in public people would stare," she said. "At this point since I'm so confident in our relationship and who we are I don't notice as much." Michener is staging book signings and readings, and hopes to do speaking engagements at schools to promote her message. In the meantime she says her book is resonating with a wider audience than she first expected. "I've met amazing people since I've written it, so many people of mixed race and mothers who have adopted children of a different race," she said. "It's just kind of opened my eyes that this isn't just going to help people who are biracial, but people who are adopted too." Michener's book is available at Borders, Barnes & Noble and www.amazon.com. For more information, contact Tara Michener at wholiamnotwhatiam@yahoo.com.

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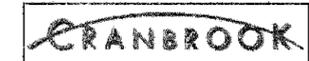
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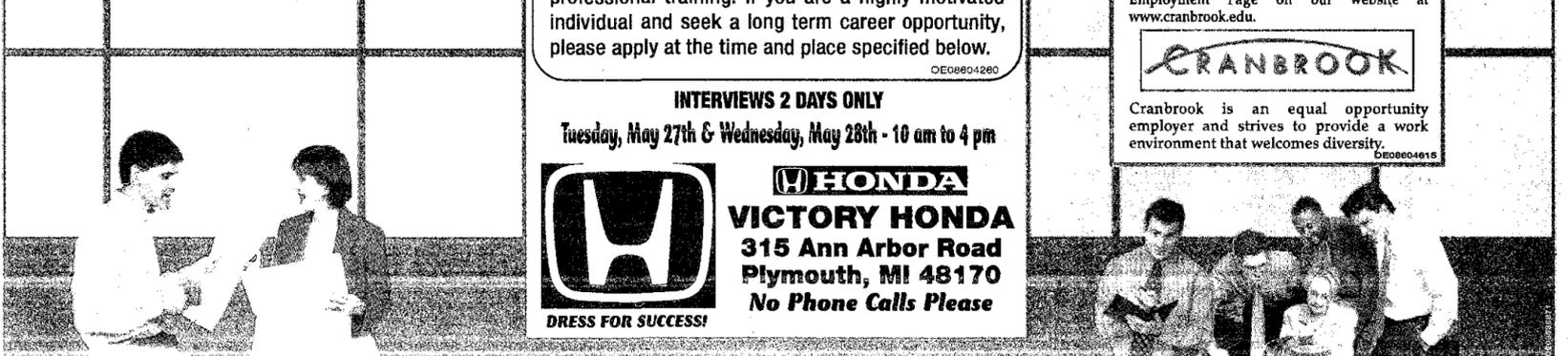
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DUMBING DOWN, THANKS TO THE INTERNET



WORKWISE
by Mildred L. Culp

The Internet quietly chips away at existing standards while redefining the conduct of business. In the rush to exploit the medium, many marketers sacrifice objectivity. They might not know that they're doing this or, if they do, simply might not care. Who will stop them? Even some industry leaders have dumbed-down while compiling and presenting information that many readers will accept as gospel.

Take the prominent advertising agency JWT Worldwide, formerly J. Walter Thompson, which in January engaged its research arm, SONAR, to survey work-related attitudes of Millennials - aka Generation Y and Echo Boomers, who are roughly 13 to 28 years old. As such, their report, "Millennials at Work: Myths vs. Reality," will be of great interest to marketers and employers. It's visual appeal is exceptional.

However, if you read closely, your guard will go up. Why didn't an outside agency, such as Harris Interactive, conduct the survey? Was the research about the Millennials or about advertising to these generations?

You find that this was an online survey of 1,250 people - a self-styled "random and representative sample of Americans online," ages 21 to 64. On goes your most critical hat. While the respondents are representative of the online community, they aren't of the rest of the population. Millions of people do not spend their leisure (or work) hours participating in online surveys. Furthermore, although the respondents worked full- or part-time, the survey excludes their occupations and industries.

Alarm bells keep ringing when you read the phrase that the 19 percent of working Millennial participants in the survey, all in their twenties, were quite well-heeled, averaging \$61,139 in household income. So the survey was conducted online by an advertising agency that somehow allowed participants to self-select. Truly, these are the people to understand if you're in advertising, because they:

- have buying power;
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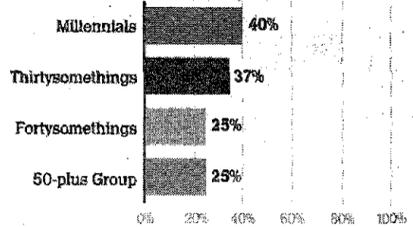
After reading through what might have seemed to be information gathered and presented objectively, you come across a section called "Generational Attitudes Toward Brands." You read that because of their prosperous upbringing, Millennials "want to be shown the money... (and) expect to take pleasure in the same creature comforts

that their Boomer parents provided them (and still do, to a greater or lesser extent)." An enormous 71 percent make money their top priority in selecting a job and a whopping 54 percent want a flexible schedule. Somehow, you rather wish that JWT Worldwide had just come out and stated, openly, that the company sought to identify the attitudes of the moneymaking Millennials.

MORSELS
Reservations regarding objectivity should not, however, keep you from reading the report, which shows that the cohort doesn't really job hop, that changing every 1.6 years might be the experience of youth. This group conforms, believing "that having a job is a privilege, not a right," but they're slightly less willing than other generations to adapt to an employer's requirements. Less well-heeled Millennials might have responded differently.

What is their "unique vantage point" and what makes it unique? Is it that they're the first generation to come on board with technology always having been a part of their lives? Is that a unique - positive - characteristic or could that be holding them back in some respects? It seems that 40 percent of this cohort eschews generational differences, considering the media the machine that defines them.

"GENERATIONAL DIFFERENCES AREN'T SO BIG—THEY'RE JUST BEEN HYPED UP BY THE MEDIA." Percent Who Agreed



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Instead, doesn't the responsibility belong to researchers who've been analyzing and writing about trends drawn from direct interviews? Media reports are a second step removed from original sources. There's clearly very much more to the story for another researcher to tell. (Dr. Mildred L. Culp is an award-winning journalist. Copyright 2008 Passage Media.)



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