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Teen charged with murder in crash

BY ALEX LUNDBERG **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Courtroom Two at Livonia's 16th District Court was filled with the sounds of weeping Thursday afternoon, by an infant boy who had lost his father and the mother of the boy accused of causing that man's death last month.

Livonia resident Daniel Aldo

Andreassi, 16, was charged with second-degree murder and several other charges in connection with the death of Westland resident Anthony Cosenza, 20. Andreassi was charged as an adult and was ordered held without bond at the Wayne County Juvenile Detention Authority at least until a Tuesday, July 1, preliminary exam. A plea of not guilty was entered on his behalf.

Other charges in the case include manslaughter with a motor vehicle, operating while intoxicated causing death, operating while intoxicated causing serious injury, felonious driving and minor in possession.

If found guilty on the murder charge, he will be sentenced as an adult. If the judge in the case finds him guilty of one of the lesser offenses, it will be up to the judge to decide whether to sentence Andreassi as an adult or as a minor.

"Every time you get into a car, we should realize we have an obligation to be a safe driver," Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy said. "We should realize that a car is a dangerous weapon."

Worthy said Andreassi, who was

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Livonia Police Sgt. Dave Studt, prosecuting attorney Lawrence Talon, Livonia Police Officer Scott Sczepanski, defendant Daniel Andreassi and defense attorney Brian Stacey, in court for Andreassi's arraignment on a second-degree murder charge.

Development director bets Vegas trip will pay dividends

BY DARRELL CLEM **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

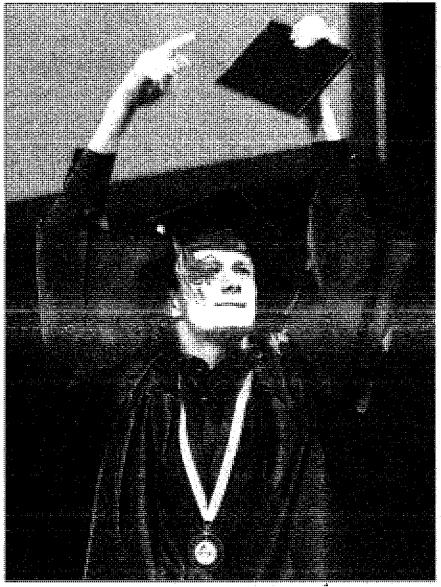
Amid the glitz and glitter of gambling town Las Vegas, Westland's top economic development official hopes she rolled the right dice for a large payout back home.

It will take time before Westland Economic Development Director Lori Fodale will know whether her business-recruiting mission paid off during her travels to Vegas for the May 18-21 Global Retail Real Estate Convention, which drew 2.000 public officials and 50,000 retail leaders.

Still, Fodale described her efforts as "way more productive" dining and shopping district. She also touted a cooperative spirit between elected leaders and groups like the Westland Chamber of Commerce.

Moreover, Fodale made it known that city leaders are willing to consider tax abatements to lure new companies - much like it already approved for companies like US Farathane, an automotive supplier that designs and manufactures plastic injection-molded components.

Fodale conceded that "it's going to take some time" to determine the impact of her lobbying efforts inside the vast Las Vegas Convention Center, but she and other officials, including Mayor William Wild, have said



Prostitution sweep leads to 7 arrests

BY DARRELL CLEM OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Westland police confirmed Friday the arrest of four female prostitutes and three men who accompanied them, during a sweep that began early Thursday morning and ended 25 hours later.

The arrests — all on misdemeanor charges - came after prostitutes advertised their services online at Craigslist, police Lt. Greg Angelosanto said.

"This was just a response to the blatant

than she had anticipated as she sought to market this city's Ford Road commercial corridor and prime vacant parcels such as the former Sam's Club and old Best Buy sites on Central City Parkway.

Armed with marketing materials, Fodale made a pitch for Westland to key developers and potential businesses during the convention — the largest of its kind - sponsored by the International Council of Shopping Centers.

Fodale tried to sell Westland on its strengths, including its industrial and retail parcels, its access to major interstates, its proximity to Detroit Metro Airport and its flourishing

Westland needed to ramp up its business-recruiting activities.

Some communities, such as neighboring Canton, already have made such strides and lured companies like IKEA, local officials have said. Wild has said Westland can become more aggressive or remain idle and lose out to other places.

Wild hopes next year to send a Westland team, possibly including Fodale, himself and a Westland City Council representative, to the Global Retail Real Estate Convention.

"I think it will help us in the future," he said. "I think this is going to be a key part of our economic strategy moving forward."

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He made it!

Robert Smith holds up his diploma after receiving it during Wayne Memorial High School's commencement ceremony. For more photos and a list of Wayne Memorial graduates see Page A3. For a gallery of graduation photos to www.hometownlife.com.

Westland woman dies from accident injuries

BY KURT KUBAN AND LEANNE ROGERS **OBSERVER STAFF WRITERS**

A Westland woman died Friday, June 6, of injuries suffered in a single car collision three days earlier in Garden City.



Angelica Goff, 18, was a passenger in the vehicle driven by a friend which was traveling north on Farmington Road. The accident occurred when the car struck a curb in a residential neighborhood near Marquette, and then rolled over onto the driver's side, police said. The car

skidded on its side before slamming into a telephone pole and coming to a stop.

"She was not conscious at the accident scene and we were never able to talk with her," said Garden City Deputy Police Chief Robert Muery. Fire Rescue had transported Goff to Garden

City Hospital and she was later airlifted to the University of Michigan Hospital where she died after family members decided to take her off life support.

The driver, Aaron Leese, 18, of Garden City remains in critical condition at the University of Michigan Hospital. Police have also been unable to interview Leese.

"We're awaiting toxicology results but we suspect alcohol was a factor in the accident," said Muery. "We've completed a mechanical review of the vehicle and found no defects that would have contributed to the accident. Speed certainly appeared to have been a factor."

Goff, who went by the name "Angel," formerly lived in Canton and was a former student at John Glenn High School. She was an outgoing person, who loved life and being with family, according to her father, Scott Goff, whom she lived with.

"She always had a smile on her face," he said,

noting that she was best friends with her younger sister, Michelle, who will be a senior at Wayne Memorial High School in the fall.

Goff said he has contacted Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) about the incident in hopes it will be an eye-opener for others who might think about driving after drinking.

"This whole process has been hard. I've never been through anything like this before," he said. Angel's aunt, Tina Hussain, said many people showed up for her funeral last week.

"She had a lot of friends. There were so many at her funeral, it was just amazing. She was a beautiful girl," Hussain said.

Angel's father said his daughter's last gift to the world was organ donation – she donated five organs, something she had determined to do on her own.

"Because she was so outgoing and wanted to help people, she felt it was something she wanted to do," he said.

advertising of prostitution," he said. "It's just in-your-face advertising."

The advertisements triggered an undercover investigation by the Westland Police Department's Special Investigations Unit and the Metro Street Enforcement Team, which Angelosanto said involved authorities from Westland, Garden City and the Wayne County Sheriff's Department.

The first arrest involved a 26-year-old woman who invited an undercover officer to her residence at Westland Estates. an apartment complex on Wayne Road between Warren and Ford, Angelosanto said. She was arrested around 12:05 a.m. Thursday.

The woman already has pleaded guilty to misdemeanor charges and was given a 30-day sentence in Westland 18th District Court, Angelosanto said.

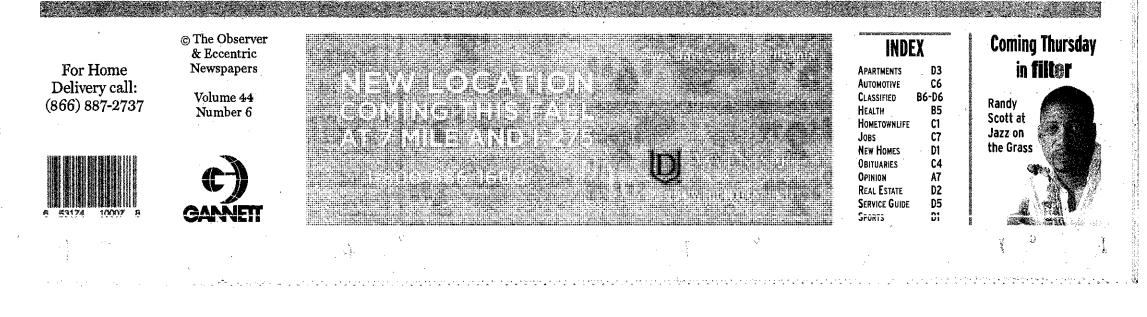
The next arrests occurred around 11:30 p.m. Thursday, when a 25-year-old woman and two men, all from Livonia, showed up at a western Wayne County hotel that authorities declined to identify due to an ongoing investigation.

The woman was arrested for allegations of prostitution. One man who drove the car to the hotel was cited for aiding and abetting a prostitute, and both men were slapped with narcotics charges amid accusations they had Vicodin, marijuana and hashish, Angelosanto said.

The last arrests happened around 1:30 a.m. Friday, also at the undisclosed hotel, when two women, both in their mid-30s, showed up with a man in his mid-30s, Angelosanto said. Authorities cited the woman for misdemeanor prostitution charges and the man for aiding and abetting. All three defendants were from Detroit.

The prostitution arrests also prompted authorities to seize two vehicles, Angelosanto said.

Charges against all the women and men are punishable by up to 93 days in jail and \$500 fines, he said.



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a sophomore this past year at Stevenson High School, will be 17 in eight months, an adult, which is why she is asking that the court treat him as an adult in the court proceedings.

Livonia police officers said beer cans were found in Andreassi's car at the time of the crash and the subsequent investigation revealed that he had been drinking at a party prior to the accident. A blood test revealed he had THC (the active compound in marijuana) in his blood in addition to alcohol at the time of the accident.

Andreassi had a level-2 graduated license, which does not allow driving after midnight. The crash occurred at 12:35 a.m. that Sunday as

Cosenza and his fiancée Amy Adams of Westland were leaving the 1 Under bar, where they worked.

Cosenza died at the scene. Adams, who survived the crash with broken bones and internal injuries, was pleased with the charges. "I'm happy," she said. "They

were saying he could be charged as an adult and we were hoping that would happen."

She said Andreassi made an adult's decision when he drove drunk and went over 100 mph; it only stands to reason he should be charged as an adult as a consequence.

Adams is slowly recovering at her mother's home in Westland, but is still unable to do things that require two arms. She cannot play with her children or work.

While supportive of the severity of the charges, Adams said nothing will make every-



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Amy Adams, who is still recovering from injuries, watches court proceedings for the teen accused of causing the fatal crash.

thing right again. "Nothing will bring Tony

back," she said. "But he would want justice."

Schools receive donation of 1,000 books

BY DARRELL CLEM **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Remember when rock star Alice Cooper's unruly School's Out celebrated the arrival of a summer with "no more pencils, no more books, no more teacher's dirty looks?" That was so, like, 1972.

Many children today are much more in tune with characters like Junie B. Jones, featured in a series of books including Junie B. Jones: First Grader (At Last!).

Wayne-Westland and Garden City students will have Junie B. Jones books and others to read this summer vacation thanks to a donation from state Sen. Glenn Anderson, D-Westland, the Garden City Kiwanis Club and the state Kiwanis organization.

In all, 1,000 books have been delivered for low-income children at two Wayne-Westland elementaries - Lincoln and Jefferson-Barns - and at Garden City's Douglas Elementary School. It's an effort to promote literacy and summer reading, and educators appreciate it.

"It's important to have books

in the home, and we want to encourage summer reading," Jefferson-Barns Principal Laura Beckman said. "The students were just thrilled to get these books."

Most of the books are geared toward students in kindergarten through second grade - an effort that will promote summer reading at home in hopes that children will spend less time watching television and playing video games.

the best investment we can make in our state," Anderson said in a prepared statement, "and literacy is an important step in making sure today's kids have every opportunity possible to become successful members of society."

Webster won't be rebuilt; it'll take Tyler site

BY REBECCA JONES **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

From Webster at Taylor to Webster at Tyler, the school community displaced by a fire in February will have a new home when school starts again. But it won't be the Webster on Lyndon, which will be demolished.

Rebuilding the arson-damaged school would cost between \$2.1 million and \$2.9 million, Supt. Randy Liepa said at Monday's board meeting. The district will instead opt

for an cash settlement for the structural damage, for around \$1.6 million, to rehabilitate a vacant building. The district will get a separate insurance payout for the contents destroyed in the Feb. 18 fire. Webster's 350 students and

staff finished the year at the former Taylor Elementary, under the name Webster@Taylor. But the school's floor plan didn't fit the program needs, Liepa said.

Tyler Elementary (north of Seven Mile and east of Farmington) was the staff's preference, Liepa said. They also looked at Hull Elementary (on Lyndon between Levan and Farmington). Both schools were closed in 2006.

Tyler is bigger than Webster. Classrooms are roomy. Restrooms are plentiful. There are small offices throughout, a nice-sized gym, additional activity room and a "breathtaking" library/media center, said Principal Shellie Moore.

Moore met with students Tuesday, the last day of school, to tell them the plans and asked them to think about what we could do to make it feel "like our new school," she said. An open house will be held before classes begin.

"This was a building they could see themselves growing into," Liepa said. It also makes use of a vacant school, he said.

Bus loops and parking would have to be addressed soon, but other improvements will wait until next summer, based on the staff's suggestions. Hull is in a central location, but isn't as accommodating to the large number of buses that deliver students from other districts for special education programs, Liepa said.

One change Moore has in mind is the sign outside. "We're hoping to just be

called Webster again," she said. Liepa said the district will do everything it can "to support this community who woke up one day and their building was gone."

Donald Carlson of Livonia pleaded guilty to the arson that burned the Webster building. He is set for sentencing Friday.

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Click It or Ticket nabs 126 for not using seat belts

from last year's campaign, said police Sgt. Ron Kroll, who is in charge of the Westland Police Department's traffic bureau. Westland officers focused

heavily on high-traffic intersections like Wayne and Warren, Newburgh and Warren, and Ford and Wayne.

According to the NHTSA, men ages 18 to 34. This year's Click It or Ticket initiative also came with a \$7.5 million advertising campaign intended to promote the use of seat belts at night, when people who don't wear them are more likely to die if they're in accidents.

Police officials conceded that some motorists complain when they're ticketed. Some want to know why police aren't focusing their attention on violent crimes.

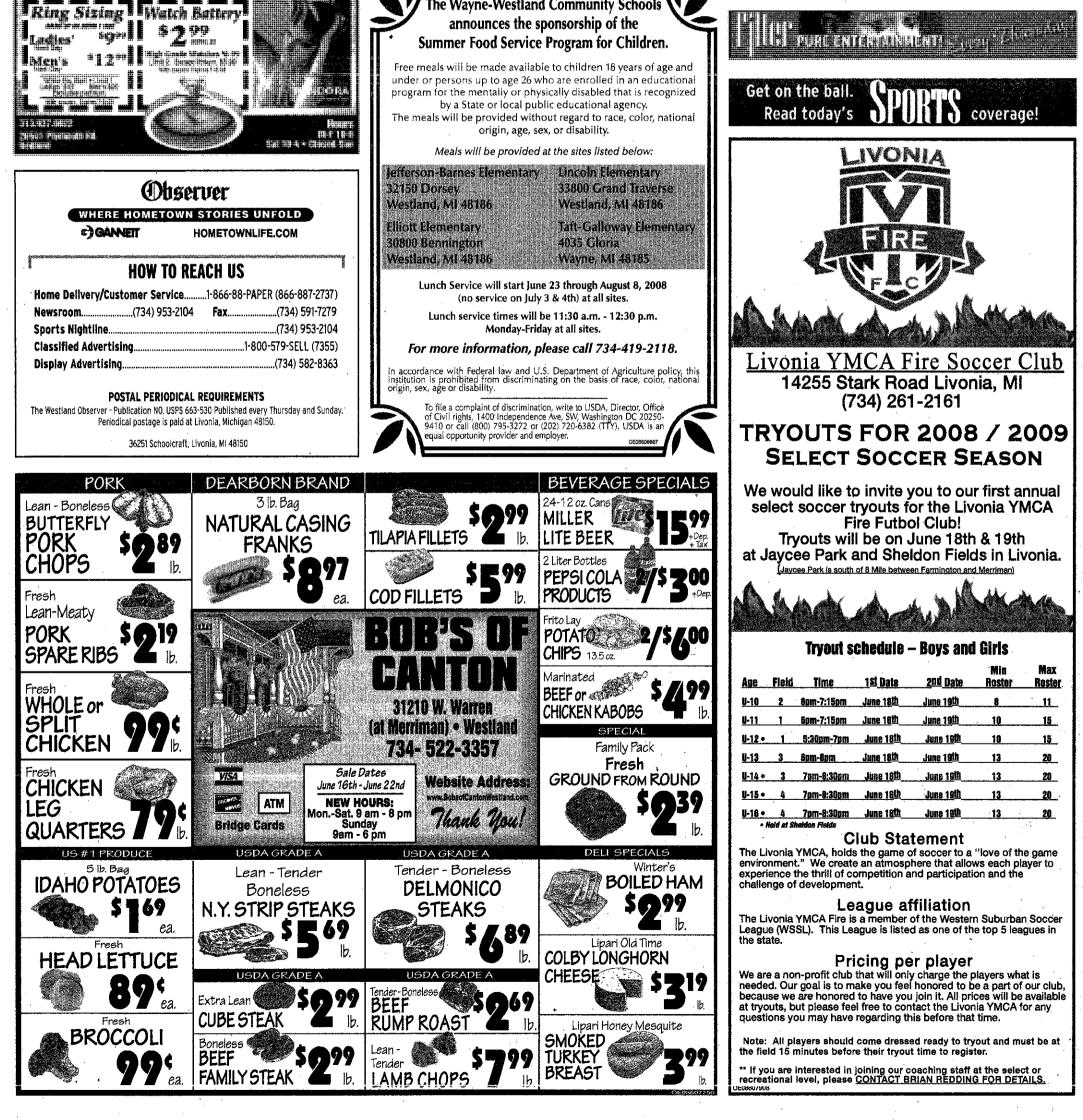
But police view the campaign as convincing drivers to comply with life-saving laws.

Westland 18th District Court Administrator David Wiacek said most drivers simply pay their tickets without causing a ruckus. The penalty: \$65.

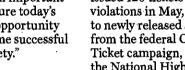
the state and \$25 stays here.

said. "It's more a public safety issue and enforcement issue.

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"Educating our children is -

Overall, the number of local **BY DARRELL CLEM OBSERVER STAFF WRITER** citations was down slightly Even though Michigan has one of the highest seat-belt usage rates in the country,

some local drivers still buck the trend and ignore the safety

warnings. And they get ticketed. Westland police officers issued 126 tickets for seat-belt

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9 serve as valedictorians of Wayne Memorial's Class of 2008

Nine students were honored as valedictorians of Wayne Memorial High School's Class of 2008.

Selected for the top academic honor were Joshua Bradley, Monica Lewis, Kherre Fairbanks, Jillian Novak-Alexander, Daniel Frey, Johnny Reid, Heather Gendron, Melissa Smith and Chase Kelly. Chosen as salutatorian was

Sarah Sturm.

Summa cum laude graduates were Fawna Black-Cicotte, Claire Moro, Nova Connolly, Colleen O'Brien, Kevin Erdmann, Serrina O'Brien, Baily Floyd, Jacob Schofield, Monica Lewis, Michael Solarz, Amber Morneau and Lauren Weilnau.

Magna cum laude graduates were Ryan Bird, Kelli Hughes, Danielle Borg, Jeanette Laskowski, Brittani Burroughs, Rebecca Miller, Linette Cuevas-Zuniga, Kristina Monty, Justin Guenther, Brent Patterson, Thomas Gunther, Virginia Reid, Elyse Henry, Emily Rodler, Jordan Holland and Naja Tatum.

Cum laude graduates were Amanda Abu-lawi, Briana Dewyer, Rebekah Niemann, Ammer Ahmad, Erina Dinkollari, Christine Obomanu, Christopher Anderson, Jordan Dottor, Chelsea O'Mara, Autumn Askew, Lindsay Funk, Patrick O'Neil, Amanda Bailey, Nastassia Goines, Andrew Pate, Hailey Benton, Kristine Haggard, Erica Perdue, Dakota Butler, Corey Harden, Melissa Schmidt, Brooke Cabe, Heather Henning, Rachel Shier,

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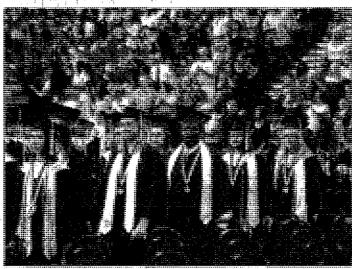
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Paolo Miguel Catalla, Kanav Mahotra, Chelsea Quintal, Michael Cole, Kristen Malkiewicz, Joseph Yodsnukis, **Christopher DeWaelsche and Christian** Mills.

Honors graduates were Tiffanie Allen, Kenneth Ester Jr., Aaron Nielson; Rachael Barton, Marian Farmer, Amber Pierson, Leslie Freedle, Joshua Phillips, Joshua Powell, Jeremiah Bauder, Austin Hassen, Chelsea Randles, Timothy Bliven, Jessica Hensley, Dustin Speiser, Rickelle Brown, John Hill III, Jared Spurgeon, Kevin Burns, Byron Johnson, Jessica Wimberly, Corey Campbell, Nicole Kwolek, Joi Woolfork, Marrianne Casteels, Sharon Langa, Cassie York, Jonathan Choate, Kevin Lanstra, Brittney Davis, Brandon McCrory, Michael Davis, Stephanie McKee, Brittany Demaray, Myesha Mott and David Draper.

Receiving their diplomas were Martez Abney, Ansu Abraham, Deante Adams, Jethro Alejandro, Jason Allred, Lynn Alves, Lawrence Anderson, Christopher Andrick, Cynthia Aslanian, Tiffany Bake, Eric Baldwin, Stephanie Balla, Albert Baili, Paige Bawcum, Trenia Barbee, Jordan Beaudoin, Brittany Binion, Cameo Bond , Justin Boyd, Gabrielle Borden, Aryn Bradford, Aaron Bray, Jason Brown, Deborah Burden, Eric Butler, Nathaniel Byberg, Chanel Cabbil, Chelsea Cagle, Amber Carpenter, Michael Carrier.

Shawn Cleary, Sara Clevenger, Doyle Colaianne, Adrian Coleman, Ryan Collop, Eric Conner, Charles Cooney, Clifton Copeland, Anna Crawford, Ryan Crayne, Melissa Crill, Leeanna Crisp,



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Wayne Memorial High School's Class of 2008 enters the Eastern Michigan University Convocation Center for the last time as seniors. They left as graduates.

Curtis, Dwayne Davenport, Brittany Davis, Tirrell Davis, Dallas Dewver, Sean Doerr, Amy Dore, Jesse Dreon, Evido Edwards II, Donald Ellis, Javeair Ester, Brittney Everley, Amanda Fill, Garrett Fischer, Trevor Fletcher, Kreg Forrester, David Freeman, Dionte Freeman, Shane Fyfe, Michelle Gallardo. Justin Gallentine, Alexa Gauthier,

Nicholas Cross, Christina Curtis, James Amanda Gauthier, Joshuah Gonzales, Claudia Grant, Lauren Green, Melissa Greenshields, Jade Griffith, Demetrius Gross, Jaclyn Guajardo, Erin Hanner, James Harrington, Stefan Harrison, Freddy Hawkins, Ashton Hay, Louis Hershey, Marcus Hester, Michael Hicks, Nathan Hill, Courtnei Hinton, Kristina Hirzel, Steven Howell, Timothy Hubbard, Derrick Ingraham, Ryan Irwin,

Alonzo Jackson, Brittany Jackson, Whitney Jacobs, Nickole Jarvis, Jacob Jimerson.

Lauren Jimerson, Christopher Johnson, Delia Johnson, Kody Johnson, Jason Kanter, May Kassis, Daniel Keller, Denetria Knight, Aaron Koshorek, Brittany Kozlowski, Jacob Krous, Jessica Krupinski, Darla Kujat, Joshua Kull, Zachary Kyle, Courtney LaBelle, Christopher Larson, Stephen Law, Michael Lee, Janee LeGardy, Matthew Lewis, Brittani Lincoln, Brandi Little , Jeremy Lovelady, Daniela Lozano, William Luke, Robert Lyndrup, Kandis Madison, Timothy Malay, Sara Marietti, Jessica Martin, Nkosi Mason.

Jacqueline Matheson, John Mayfield, Stephen Maynor, Michael McBee, Nakilliqua McBride-Turner, Robert McDonald, Brittaney McFalling, Derek McGowan, Jacob McEndree, Torrence Meadows, Abraham Mendez, Amber Miknyocki, Champain Milhouse, Destiny Miller, Johnnie Mitchell, Kylara Mitchell, Laura Moody, Andrew Morton, Ernest Mosley, Ryan Mummert, Ashlee Neely, Felicia Nielsen, Jessica Novack, Shane Nutt, Sabrina Oestreich, Stephanie Park, Michael Paonessa, Thomas Pattenaude.

Tiffany Pierson, Meghan Plumley, Willie Pompey, Cortez Pool, Jasmine Poole, April Potrzuski, Marissa Pryor,

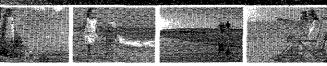
Karen Ptaszynski; Tonya Ramsay, Shawn Reed, Taylor Richardson, Alyssa Roach, Eric Robertson, Justin Rodgers, Jacob Rodriguez, Deviney Rogers, Erica Ross, Jordan Ross, Rachel Roth-Fuller, Derrick Roulo, Erica Runstrom, Nastassia Rutledge, Elizabeth Ryan, Ripley Sambrone, Jose Santiago, Nicole Scheurich, Eric Schmitt, Jennifer Schulte, Dalton Schultz, James Schwedt, Kathryn Seguin.

Neal Shaw, Timothy Siegfried, Sarvdial Singh, Ernst Singleton, Robert Smith, Justin Snowden, James Solarz, Robert Stabenow, Laura Stawasz, Michelle Stroyan, Gary Sundquist, Brittany Tabor, Kevin Tarnowski, Vetoe Tate, Quentin Tennant, Kayla Thayer, Preston Thomas, Sharonda Thomas, Benjamin Tibai, Asa Todd, Elizabeth Tolliver, David Toms, Glenn Troupe, Erica Turner, Landen Turner-delete, Michael VanDePitte, Shauntina Vawters, Andrew Vedder, Myles Wade, Kevin Wallace Antonette Walker, William Walker.

Robert Walsh, Jack Ward, Michelle Wehr, Zachary Wessel, Lyndsay Whitt, Kelly Wilkin, Thomas Williams, Katie Wilson, Lauren Wilson, Tosha Wyatt, Joshua Zerafa, Jack Zimmerman and Megan Zuccaro.

Certificates of Attendance were awarded to Dayna Bell, David D. Bevier and Jason C. Tyus.

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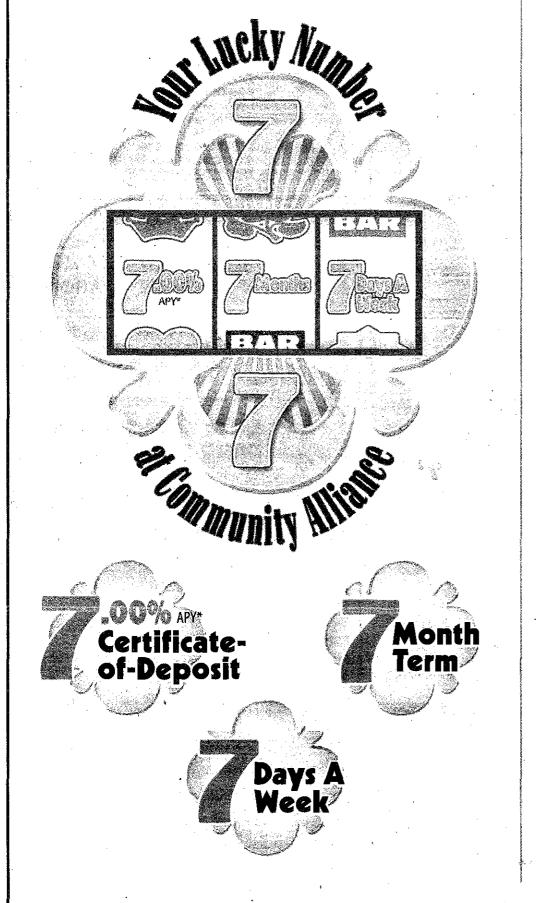
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Day camp fun set for Salvation Army

The Wayne-WestlandJune 30, aSalvation Army is again offer-
ing summer day camp for chil-
dren ages 6-12. Sessions will be
held 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., startingJune 30, aJune 30, aon Venoy sSome sc
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June 30, at the corps center on Venoy south of Palmer in Westland.

Some scholarships are available, said Greg Barta, director of youth and community ministries. He's excited about field trips during the six-week camp, including Kensington Metropark, a Detroit Shock basketball game, Greenfield Village, the Detroit Science Museum and the Detroit Zoo. Day camp is offered on a sliding fee basis according to family income. To register or for more information, call Barta at (734) 722-3660. You can also speak with Sandy Kollinger, administrative assistant/volunteer coordinator.

The corps center can accommodate some 65 children, and the Salvation Army will take a waiting list. The camp is geared to but not limited to low-income residents.

While at the Salvation Army site, campers will rotate through four classes: physical development, spiritual development, arts and crafts, and music.

"One of our field trips is to a wave park," Barta said of a different Metroparks destination. This year's camp theme is "Come Join the Army."

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Ordinance A08-ANNUAL BUDGET ORDINANCE

An Ordinance to provide revenue for municipay purposes for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, by adopting a budget and appropriations.

Whereas, the City Manager has submitted to the City Council a proposed budget upon which a public hearing will be hld on **June 23, 2008**, as required by Article VI, Section 6.06(B) of the Charter of the City of Garden City;

Therefore, be it ordained that there is hereby appropriated for said fiscal year the amounts set forth in the following tabulations which, pursuant to the "Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act" (M.C.L.A.141.421 et. Seq.)

Be it further ordained by the Mayor and Councilmembers of the city of Garden City that the Annual Budget of the city for the period from July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, as summarized below, representing the various budgetary centers of the FY08-09 Annual Budge as defined by P.A. 621 of 1978, as last amended, be and the same is hereby adopted.

TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 20.369.132.00	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	s	20.369.132.00
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Contributions/Other Funds	747,099.00	Boards & Commissions		83,750.00
Contributions/Public Enterprises	253,000.00	Parks & Recreation		1,066,378.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	867,600.00	Dept. of Public Services		2,418,648.00
Fines and Forfeits	695,000.00	Fire		2,544,323.00
Charges for Services	1,065,903.00	Police		4,964,182.00
Grants – Local Units	161,319.00	Non-Departmental		6,243,522.00
State Shared Revenues	3,973,614.00	Clerk Treasurer		912,374.00
Non-Business Licenses/Permits	13,000.00	City Administration/Personnel		310,850.00
Business Licenses/Permits	25,000.00	21st District Court		777,223.00
General Property Taxes	12,567,597.00	Mayor & Council		47,868.00
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	General F	ind Summary		

		Major Street I	Fund Summary		
Revenues			Expenditures		
Gas & Weight Tax		1,200,000.00	Expenditures	•	1,715,500.00
Interest on Investments		75,000.00	Increase in Fund Balance		
Use ofFund Balance	- "	227,350.00			,
Federal Grant		180,000.00			
State Grant		33,150.00			
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TOTAL REVENUES	\$	970,000.00	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	970,000.00
Decrease in Fund Balance		95,843.00			
Interest on Investments		20,000.00			
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Transfer – Major Streets		300,000.00	Debt Service		
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	911 Fund	Summary		
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Interest	2,000.00	Transfer to General Fund		130,000.00
Decrease in Fund Balance		Increase Fund Balance		34,000.00
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	Cable Franc	hise PEG fee	
Revenues		Expenditures	
Payments by Cable Companies	36,075.00	Expenditures	36,075.00
Use of Fund Balance TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 36,075.00	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 36,075.00

	Com	nunity Developmen	t Block Grant Summary		
Revenues			Expenditures		
County Grant Transfer		146,000.00	Salaries		0.00
Rehab Funding			Housing Rehab		43,996.00
			ADA Compliance		18,998.00
			Public Service Activities		44,130.00
,			Administration		14,800.00
		•	Planning expenditures/facility improv	re .	24,076.00
TOTAL REVENUES	S	146,000.00	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	146,000.00
CHILL CHILL CHILL		Rehabilitation 1	Revolving Fund		
Revenues .			Expenditures		
Repayments of Loans		34,000.00	Housing Rehabilitation		34,000.00
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	34,000.00	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	34,000.00
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		Building D	epartment		
Revenues			Expenditures		
Transfer from Other Fund			Personnel		371,211.00
Permits/Inspections		432,327.00	Operating/Services		4,275.00
Planning / Zoning Fee's		62,200.00	Capital Outlay		
Rental Inspections		33,000.00	Prof / Tech		152,041.00
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TOTAL REVENUES	\$	527,527.00	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	527,527.00
		Police Disug Fortett	tre Fund Summary		
Revenues		THE PARTY IS IN THE	Expenditures		
Confiscations		15,000.00	Expenditures		25,200.00
Use of Fund Balance		10,000.00			
Interest		200.00			
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	25,200.00	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	25,200.00
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Revenues Use of Fund Balance		. 0.00	Espenditures		95 500 00
		0.00	Expenditures		85,500.00
Transfer General Fund		85,000.00			
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		Water & Sewer	Fund Summary	Surgel Chief Re	Contra a di terreta
Revenues			Expenditures		
Water/Sewer Revenue		7,322,693.00	Expenditures		8,752,388.00
Other Revenue		795,196.00			
Decrease Retained Earnings		634,499.00			×
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TOTAL REVENUES	\$	8,752,388.00	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	8,752,388.00
		Downtown Develo	pment Authority		
Revenues			Expenditures		
Incremental Property Tax Revenue	, · ·	475,326.00	Development Projects		112,500.00
Use of Fund Balance		622,939,00	Administration		884,663.00
Interest on Investments		35,000.00	Debt Service		213,605.00
Misc Revenue		77,503.00			
TOTAL REVENUES	S .	1,210,768.00	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	1,210,768:00
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		Library Fun	d Summary		
Revenues			Expenditures		
Transfer from General Fund	and the second	249,211.00	Personnel		261,121.00
Fee's / Fines		42,010.00	Operating/Services		3,800.00
Grant's / Aid	ng sharasi ta ƙasar I. Marine	20,000.00	Capital Outlay		46,780.00
Interest	*1.47	700.00	Prof / Tech		23,220.00
Use of Fund Balance		23,000.00		. .	
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	334,921.00	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	334,921.00
ALL FUNDS			ALL FUNDS		
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Children can be disinherited, but rules must be followed

Dear Rick: I have three children. Upon my death, for a variety of reasons, I want to disinherit one of my children. I did a will about 10 years ago where I named two children as the sole beneficiaries. I was discussing my estate plan with a friend and he said I could have a problem because I left out one child. He said parents have to leave their kids something. Is it legal to disinherit a child and how does one do it?

Yes, you can disinherit a child. A parent is under no obligation to leave anything to a child. However, there are specific rules.

It appears that your present will names two of your children as the beneficiary while not including, perhaps not even mentioning, your

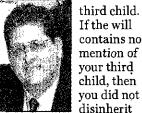
League holds judicial forum

The League of Women Voter from Wayne County will be sponsoring a judicial candidates' forum for those running for the Third Circuit Court, non-incumbent positions, in the Aug. 5, 2008, primary election.

This primary will cut the field from 11 to six candidates for the three open seats.

The forum will be held 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, June 24, 2008 from at the VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia.

The public is encouraged to attend and learn about the candidates.



disinherit Money Matters him/her under the law. Rick Bloom Under

Michigan law, you must name your children in the document. Otherwise, the law makes the presumption that you have forgotten that child and thus they are still allowed to inherit a portion of your estate.

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The best way to disinherit a child is to mention him/her in the will and state you are purposely not leaving anything to them or their heirs. In this way, you comply with the law and that child will not be able

to inherit from you.

Many people are under the false impression that somehow the law requires them to leave something to their children. You are under no obligation to leave anything to your child, nor do you have to treat your children equally. There are many times during the estate planning process where children are treated differently. This is done because children's needs may be different, not from a lack of love and affection.

The issue of unequal inheritances is something I frequently encounter with my clients. In some situations there is a vast difference between the children's economic stature. Sometimes you have one child that is in excellent financial shape while another may be in financial

distress. The issue for parents always is even though they love their children equally, do they leave more financial resources to one child than another because of need. Obviously, situations like this are difficult to resolve, however, life is not always easy.

As our world gets more and more complex, it becomes more important for all of us to do some sort of estate plan. If you do not have an estate plan then ultimately the state of

Michigan determines who gets your money.

The law, just like everything else in our society, has become more complex. I recommend hiring a professional who specializes in estate planning.

Remember that estate planning is just not for death. A good portion of estate planning has nothing to do with death. but rather how to handle a family emergency. Take the opportunity to do

an estate plan, whether it is a

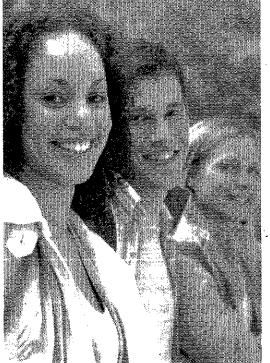
simple will accompanied by medical and durable power of attorneys or something more complex as a trust. If you've already done an estate plan, make sure it is up to date.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. Observer & Eccentric readers can submit questions at moneymatters@hometownlife.com. For more information, visit Rick's Web site at www.bloomassetmanagement.com. You can hear Rick noon to 3 p.m. Sundays on WDTK 1400 AM.











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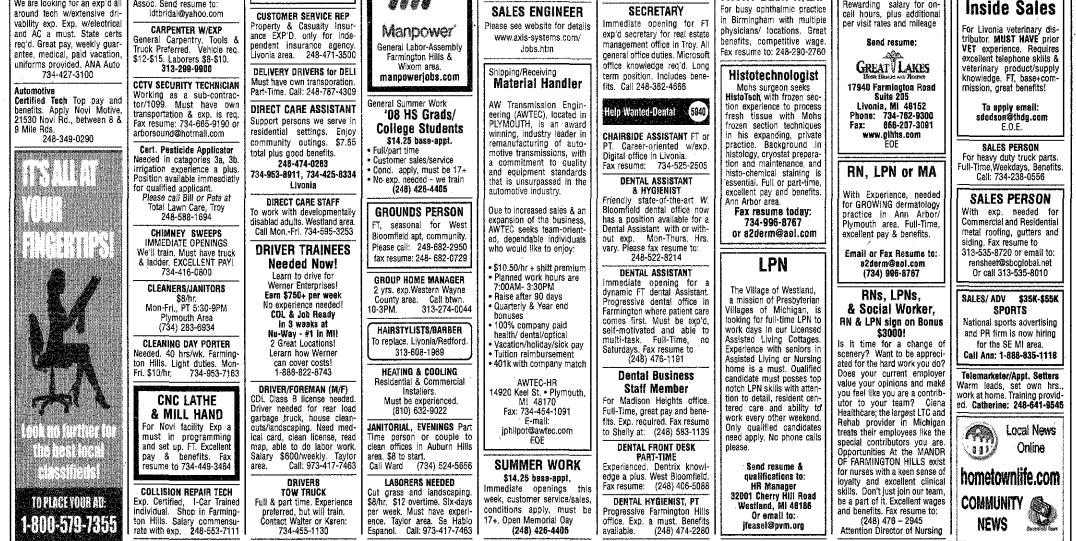
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vendors. Send resume: Fax: 313-937-2426	with members and requires fast and accurate cash han-	(available in Careers Section) & specify correct	Establish plans to minimize risk. Master's Degree in	munity seeking an exp'd Maintenance Technician. Must	Word and Excel. Knowledge of Thomson	or fax resume: 734-722-5192	with X-Ray exp. needed for Southfield Neurology office.	in Downtown Plymouth. FT/PT. Positive attitude a
Or email: terizaborowski@ smedeson.com	dling skills. Salary range: \$20,000-\$30,000/year.	job code on cover letter.	Mechanical Engineering/ Energy Transmission and	be HVAC certified. Send re- sume to Tony at 734-455-7107	Elite a plus but not neces- sary. Duties include filing,	Help Wanted-Medical 5060	Fax resume: (248) 358-3425 MEOICAL BILLER	must, Call 248-348-5973
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Listings for the Community Calendar

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Citizens for Peace

The Livonia-based Citizens for Peace, which covers the entire 11th District, invites residents the chance to join in study-discussion groups on the topic, **Beyond War, during its June and July** meetings. Using a study guide, the topic will be discussed in four group sessions each meeting. The June meeting will include social change; how to talk to people who think war is a good idea or inevitable; war is obsolete; and the concept that we all live on one planet. In July, the topics focus on alternatives to war, such as nonviolent conflict resolution processes and appropriate humanitarian foreign aid; international law and cooperation between nations; practical experience about what people and nations can do instead of war; and applying effective advocacy. Citizens for Peace meetings are held at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month at Unity of Livonia, on Five mile road between Middlebelt and Inkster roads. A small donation is requested for the use of the church facilities. For details, call Colleen Mills at (734) 425-0079

Installation of officers

Westland American Legion, Westland Post 251 will be having its second annual installation of officers dinner/ dance Friday, June 20, at the VFW Post 3323 Hall on Wayne Road at Avondale, Westland. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. with a buffet dinner served at 7 p.m. There will be an open bar, door prizes and dancing to the music of the Walt Liepec Band 11 p.m. Installation of officers will take place at 8 p.m. Veterans and the public are welcome. Tickets are \$20 per person. For more information and tickets, call (734) 751-2275 or (734) 326-2607.

Free workshop

Dr. Carol Ann Fischer, a holistic physician, wellness consultant and clinical nutritionist, is presenting "Eat Your Way Thin" 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, June 17, at the Alfred Noble Library, 32901 Plymouth Road, Livonia, Learn why diets will not work, ways to avoid weight gain and how to lose weight with diet/nutrition and exercise. When to eat, what to eat and how

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to eat also will be discussed at the free workshop. Seating limited to the first 30 callers. For reservations, call (734) 756-6904 or go online to www. TLCHolisticWellness.com. Dr. William H. Karl, a certified wellness doctor and nutritional expert, will present a free healthcare seminar, "Natural Solutions to Allergies," 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 18, at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, Livonia. Karl will explain what causes allergies, how to avoid creating new allergies, and what to do to help your body handle existing allergies. This seminar is co-sponsored by The Foundation for Wellness

Professionals, For more information. go online to www.WellnessSpeakers. org. Seating is limited; call (734) 425-8588 to register and reserve a seat.

John Glenn reunion

John Glenn High School Class of 1988 will hold its 20 year reunion on Saturday, Aug. 23, at Roma's of Garden City on Cherry Hill east of Venoy, Tickets are \$30 per person. For tickets and more information. visit the reunion Web site at jghs88reunion.com.

Fish Dial-A-Ride

Fish Dial-A-Ride of Western Wayne County is seeking volunteer drivers. A nonprofit community service group, it provides door-to-door rides to non-emergency medical and other necessary appointments for senior and disabled residents of Garden City, Livonia and Westland who are unable to drive and have no alternative transportation. Volunteers can specify days, times, and areas they're willing to drive. For additional information, call (888) 660-2007 and leave a message.

Higher Rock Cafe

The Wayne-Westland Salvation Army presents the Higher Rock Cafe the second and fourth Fridays of the month at its facility at 2300 Venoy, south of Paimer, Westland, Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Live bands perform beginning at 8 p.m. Admission is free, however, a free will offering will be taken to support the bands. Check out Higher Rock on the Web at www.tşa. higherrockcafe.4t.com or call (734) 722-3660.

FOR YOUR HEALTH

Advocacy group

The Wayne-Westland Alliance for the Mentally III, a self-help and advocacy group, meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Thursday of the month at St. John's Episcopal Church, 555 S. Wayne Road, at Bayview, Westland. Call (734)

Substance abuse support A SAFE PLACE meets at 7 p.m. Thursdays in the Fellowship Hall at Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman, Garden City, A SAFE PLACE is based on the Alcoholics for Christ program. For more information, call Russ Weathers at (734) 422-1995. Menopause & More A Menopause & More support group

for women meets 7-9 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month in Classroom 2 of the west addition of the Marian Women Center of St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia: No registration is necessary, and the group is free of charge. Call (734) 655-1100.

Counterpoint

Counterpoint Shefter and Crisis Center offers free counseling and respite services for people ages 10-17 and their families. For more information, call (734) 563-5005.

Toughlove

A Toughlove support group meets 7:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Northwest Wayne Skill Center, Ann Arbor Trail between Merriman and Farmington roads. Newcomers welcome. Call (734) 261-7880 or (248) 380-7748.

EDUCATION

St. Raphael

St. Raphael Catholic School, located on Merriman just north of Ford in Garden City, is now accepting open enrollment for the 2008-2009 school year for preschool through eighth-grade. Programs include 3-4-year-old preschool, technology updates and a host of extra-curricular activities. Computer labs, new classroom technology, Japanese class, and chess club are some of the school's newest additions. The school has a strong academic program and also offers religion class, weekly Mass and sacramental preparation including Reconciliation. Communion and Confirmation. Latchkey and bussing is available, and all faiths are welcome. For registration information or to learn more about St. Raphael Catholic School, contact the school office at (734) 425-9771 or visit the Web site at www.straphael-gc.org. St. Damian

St. Damian Catholic School at 29891

Joy, Westland, offers preschool for 3-4-year-olds and full day kindergarten through grade 8. For more information or to schedule a tour, call (734) 427-1680 or check out the school's Web site at www.stdamian.com.

Academic Pathways

Academic Pathways Cooperative Preschool at 30330 Schoolcraft, Livonia, is currently enrolling for 2008-2009 school year. Morning sessions for the 3- and 4-year-old programs are available. Potty training is not required. There is a certified teacher. The 4-year-old program runs 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. The 3-yearold program runs 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday mornings, For more information, call (734) 459-6689 or visit the Web site at www.academicpathwayspreschool.com. YWCA preschool

The YWCA of Western Wayne County's Education Department offers quality preschool programs to children aged 24 to 5 years old at no cost to most families. There are many locations available throughout the community. Home-based programs are also available. For more information on these programs, or to enroll your child, call the YWCA's Education Department at (313) 561-4110, Ext. 10.

After school program

An after-school recreation, tutoring and scouting program for students is offered at the Salvation Army Wayne-Westland Corps Community Center, 2300 Venoy in Westland. The program, 3-6 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, is for students in kindergarten through 12th grade. Volunteers needed in all areas - gym, game room, kitchen, tutoring, arts and crafts. High school students are perfect candidates for tutoring younger children. For information on participating or volunteering, call (734) 722-3660.

VOLUNTEERS

Karmanos Institute The Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute needs volunteers to trans-

port cancer patients to mammogram and doctor appointments in metropolitan Detroit. Drivers are needed for Macomb and Oakland counties, Dearborn and Detroit, Volunteers must be at least 18. Mileage reimbursement is provided. Call (800) .

First Step, which has been active in the effort to end domestic violence and sexual assault in western Wayne County and Downriver communities for more than 20 years, is looking for volunteers. Interested people must be at least 18, willing and able to travel to the Downriver area and complete a 55-hour training program. Call (734) 416-1111, Ext. 223.

Comic book art takes off

Many of the popular movies that came out in the past year or two are based on comic book stories. Look

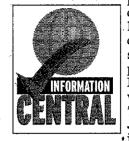
at Batman the Dark Knight, The Incredible Hulk, 300, the X-Men movies, Iron Man, Fantastic Four: Rise of the Silver Surfer, 30 Days of Night and V for Vendetta for some examples.

Comic books, graphic novels and manga are all basically the same thing: sequential art that tells a story in the form of a book or magazine. When comic books first came out in the 1930's they took a cartoon strip format that was considered humorous, hence the term "comic." Since then, comic books have evolved to include serious themes, many of which are now marketed to teenagers and adults. Comic books and graphic novels are no longer just about superheroes, many tell stories about every day life, historical events, horror stories and more.

At the Public Library of Westland, we have a whole section of our young adult collection devoted to graphic novels, which are comic book short story anthologies and longer stand-alone works of a more serious nature. They look like large paper-back books. This section also includes manga, which are quite popular Japanese comics.

We also carry several books explaining how comics are made and the specific type of art that is used in their creation. You can start with Understanding Comics by Scott McCloud. To learn more about much of the well-known comic book art you can check out The Art of the Comic Book: An Aesthetic History by Robert C. Harvey and The Great Comic Book Artists by Ron Goulart. If you are interested in learning how to draw comics yourself, take a look at TheArt of Making Comics by Morgan Pellowski and Perspective! For Comic Book Artists by David Chelsea.

The adult summer reading program theme this year is art and we are having a special



program just about comic book art. Richard Rubenfeld, comic book enthusiast and art history professor at Eastern Michigan University, will be at the library 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 18, to share the ins and outs of the

comic book art world. Call the library to reserve your seat. Refreshments will be provided.

HIGHLIGHTED ACTIVITIES

Adult Book Discussion Group 7 p.m., Tuesday, June 17, Join us as we discuss Love Medicine by Louise Erdrich. This is the saga of two extended families who live on and around a Chippewa reservation in North Dakota. Please read the book before the meeting. All are welcome.

Comic Book Art 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 18, Learn the ins and outs of comic book art with art historian and comic book enthusiast, Richard Rubenfeld. Rubenfeld has been a professor at Eastern Michigan University since 1985 and has curated many comic book exhibitions including the 2006 "Leaping Lizards" exhibition, which included more than 100 years of comics and comic book art. Refreshments served. This is an Adult and Teen program.

Computer Classes: 11 a.m. Monday, June 16, Excel for Beginners, June 19, 11 am, Internet 101. 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. 734-326-6123.

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

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GC Hospital sponsors wellness programs

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

Monday, June 16

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.

Tuesday, June 17

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 (third of four classes) at 9:30 a.m. This comprehensive series is planned to help people Live Welf 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 (second 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,

Cerebral Aneurysm and Stroke Club at 7:30 p.m. Support is offered to those who have had an aneurysm or stroke as well as to their family and friends. The club meets every third Tuesday of the month to listen to various presentations and to promote interaction between people who have something in common. This free group is held in Garden City Hospital's Rehabilitation Unit dining room. For more information, please call (734) 458-4392.; Wednesday, June 18

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. CPR - Adult (ARC) at 6 p.m. Approved by the American Red Cross, this class provides hands-on CPR training to adults. Participants are prepared to respond to breathing and cardiac emergencies in victims, age 8 and above. This class is offered at Garden City Hospital's Health & Education Center at 6701 Harrison, just north of Maplewood. There is a fee. Participants will receive certification upon successful completion. Call Community Education at (734) 4584330 for more information.

Eating Disorders Support Group at 7 p.m. This support group is for those individuals with anorexia, bulimia, and compulsive and binge eating disorders. 8oth 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, June 19

Get Up and Move at 9 a.m., 3 and 4 p.m. This is an invigorating exercise program is 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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Friday, June 20

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Volunteer at Garden City Hospital Volunteer opportunities are available at Garden City Hospital for 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 June donete 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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Today's dad plays a much different role than his dad

OUR VIEWS

People across the area will gather today to mom. honor dad, and the role he plays in the family unit. Father's Day never has received the attention that Mother's Day does, except perhaps in the retail advertising world, where the price of recliners is slashed and the latest big-screen televisions are pitched.

It's not that dads aren't deserving of a special role of fathers in our society has been to be the financial provider, and the jobs of raising the

Boy, how times have changed. These days, dads are as likely to be actively involved in helping out with the home and raising the kids as moms are to be in the workforce contributing equally - if not more - to the family budget. More and more families have to rely on true partnership where all responsibilities are two incomes to make ends meet, so the busiday of their own. It's just that for centuries, the ness of raising the kids has become much more and dad. Which means children get to see their of an equal partnership.

There is an undisputed special bond that kids and keeping the home were largely left to forms between a mother and her child. And

day than Father's Day. But a dad's role in the home is vastly different from what it was just 40 years ago, and many would argue it has changed for the better.

Many two-parent families have become a equally divided as best they can between mom parents in multiple roles, and in equal roles which historically has not been the case.

It is common for people to yearn for the

Mother's Day always will be a "bigger" special "good old days" when life was simpler. Dad was the provider and mom stayed home and raised the kids. There was no need for latchkey programs, day care centers and the angst of relying on "strangers" to raise our kids.

> But many of today's dads relish the role they play, and wouldn't change a thing. And the same, no doubt, is true for moms as well. So take a moment today to share a thank you with the dad in your life, and for the ever-increasing role he likely plays in your family.

Happy Father's Day.

It's time to open door to the patient-centered medical home

he patient centered-medical home is a national health care movement that establishes the primary care physician's office



with the personal physician coordinating all of a patient's medical care to improve patient health and decrease costs. The patient centered-medical home (PCMH) is a concept - not a place — that puts the focus back on the patient and treats the whole person.

as the patient's medical home,

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The PCMH is gaining support among progressive thinkers in the medical and employer

communities throughout the country, and is already being adopted in various stages in California, North Carolina, Massachusetts and Minnesota. So why have the vast majority of Michigan medical consumers never heard of it? Because, while it's not difficult, the patient centered-medical home is not a quick fix. It's a transformative process to help us reclaim not only our health care system but our common sense when it comes to the delivery of primary care.

The ultimate goal of the PCMH is to improve patient health through an efficient, patientcentered health care delivery system. At its

core, PCMH is founded on the patient/physician relationship and seeks to retool the primary care physician's office to ultimately renovate our health care system for better health outcomes, increased viability and long-term cost savings and cost effectiveness.

• The patient centered-medical home will transform not only the delivery of health care but administrative aspects as well, most notably reimbursement and technology as it relates to patient follow-up and portable disease management registries. It presents a major thrust for changing the way physicians practice medicine; it's a shift from an I/physician-centered model to a team/patient-centered model. The PCMH profoundly changes the way primary care is delivered by connecting patients to personal physicians who follow advanced medical home philosophies. It requires in-depth physician and staff training and changes in third party financing, reimbursement methods, and policy coverage to support practices that meet advanced medical home guidelines.

In some ways, the patient centered-medical home is not new; it reflects a return to the days of the personal physician when lifelong relationships between patient and primary care doctor were the norm. Its drivers today are an aging population, growing health care costs that are outpacing inflation, employers cutting

back on employee and retiree health benefits and an economic system that is faltering under the weight of health care financial realities. The PCMH advocates that the best quality of care is provided through patient-centered, physician-guided care that is also cost efficient.

The patient centered-medical home is not only gaining ground in the medical community. The Patient Centered Primary Care Collaborative was formed in 2006 in Washington, D.C. as a forum for health care stakeholders to communicate and collaborate to improve the future of the American medical system. The Collaborative also acts as a key source for the continued education of Congressional representatives, the federal and state governments, and individual practices to champion the PCMH model as a superior form of health care delivery for primary care.

The PCPCC's growing membership is comprised of large national employers, the major primary care physician associations, health insurance companies, trade associations, profession/affinity groups, academic centers, and health care quality improvement associations. Members include AARP, Aetna, the American Academy of Family Physicians, the American Academy of Pediatrics, American Board of Medical Specialties, the American Heart Association, Cigna, FedEx, General

Mills, Humana, IBM and Wellpoint, among numerous others. Michigan-based members and proponents of the patient centered medical home include Automotive Industry Action Group, Delphi Corporation, General Motors and Medical Network One. Smart employers like Michigan-based Meijer stores are already adopting the patient centered-medical home for their employees.

Naysayers of the patient centered-medical home say it will never happen; there's no funding and no reimbursement methods. That's wrong on both counts. Blue Cross of Massachusetts is reimbursing participating physicians for services rendered under the medical home concept. In Michigan, Blue Cross has been a leader among insurers in studying the medical home approach, establishing the medical home committee in their Physician Group Incentive Program (PGIP) in 2005.

Now it's time for Michigan's medical consumers to get informed about the patient centered medical home and ask their primary care physicians, "Is your office willing to be my medical home?" If not, it may soon be time to find a physician who is.

Ewa Matuszewski is CEO of Rochester-based Medical Network One.





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Livonia attorney Joseph Larkin and former Novi City Manager and developer Edward Kriewall say U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, is out of step with the people in the 11th Congressional District because he doesn't listen.

The two Democratic candidates for the 11th District House seat held by McCotter met Wednesday for a quiet exchange of views before an audience of about 45 people at the Livonia Senior Center.

The forum, sponsored by the Livonia Democratic Club, was moderated by club president Patrick O'Neil, who asked questions from the audience and his own questions.

Larkin was critical of McCotter's style as well as his positions on issues.

"Mr. McCotter doesn't listen to people. He yells at you and storms off," Larkin said. "His politics are not your politics, they're GOP politics and he's a party hack."

Both candidates oppose the war in Iraq, which they link to McCotter and President George W. Bush.

"America was sold on a lie," Larkin said. "There were no weapons of mass destruction, there was no link with al-Qaeda."

He said the United States was right to enter Afghanistan because the Taliban government had harbored the terrorists who attacked the United States on Sept. 11, 2001. But, he said, that mission has not been completed and was weakened by entry into the Iraq war.

"Iraq was a mistake for the Bush administration and I will vote against future funding," Kriewall said. "America shouldn't be there."

He said the United States should get out of Iraq and Afghanistan.

We can't afford to go into these countries and try to solve their problems," he said. He said the country

should be spending more on improved intelligence gathering than on waging war.

Larkin said energy was a major issue in this campaign. He said he favors more invest-



Kriewall

Both candidates are opposed to the immigration reform legislation supported by both presidential candi-

dates. "Illegal immigration is ruining this country," Kriewall said, then he quoted Fox News commentator Bill O'Reilly that the country couldn't accept everyone. O'Reilly is a conservative and often a target for Democrats. Larkin said illegal immigrants compete with Americans for jobs and that

current immigration laws need to be strictly enforced.

Larkin said he is a pro-life Democrat, but argued that decisions on abortion laws are made in the federal courts and that the Senate, not the House, decides on judicial appointments. Kriewall said he is pro-choice.

Larkin and Kriewall said they believe the Second Amendment supports an indi-

vidual's right to bear arms. When asked about assault weapons, Kriewall said he didn't see any difference in a semiautomatic assault weapon and a high powered hunting rifle.

"Quite frankly, bad guys get the guns, innocent people need to have guns," he said.

Both Larkin and Kriewall said they support a balanced budget. Larkin added that

sometimes, as in the current economic downturn, it might be necessary to have deficit spending, but generally he supports a balanced budget and line-item veto for the president.

Both candidates said they favor a national single-payer health insurance system.

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ment in alternative energy to reduce American dependence on foreign oil.

He said big oil has seen record profits under the Bush administration.

"Stop subsidizing big oil," he said.

Kriewall said it might be time to rethink traditional Democratic opposition to drilling in the Alaska wildlife preserve.

"Drilling is a lot safer than it used to be, a lot more sophisticated today," he said.

Larkin said he opposes expanding drilling until more money is spent on developing alternative energy.

Kriewall's defense of Alaskan drilling was one of several positions taken by both candidates that are more conservative than those taken by the national party.

Kriewall admitted that he had voted for George W. Bush in the last two presidential elections. Larkin admitted that he did not vote for Bill Clinton in his second election because of the Monica Lewinsky scandal.

Kriewall called the Congress "dysfunctional" and the two-party system "obsolete" but "the best we have.'



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Warriors in position to claim ultimate prize

Frankfort ousted in semifinal, 9-3

BY BRAD EMONS **OBSERVER SPORTS WRITER**

Lutheran High Westland added another page to its captivating 2008 state tournament baseball story Friday in Battle Creek.

The Warriors were solid in all three phases of the game - pitching, hitting and defense - en route to a convincing 9-3 victory over Frankfort in the Division 4 semifinals at Bailey Park's Nichols Field.

The victory moves Lutheran Westland's overall record to 25-7 and a shot in Saturday's state championship game at C.O. Brown Stadium against Bay City All Saints (27-12-1), which advanced with an 8-5 semifinal win over North Muskegon.

Senior right-hander Ryan Baglow improved his record to 8-0 with a five-hitter and junior third baseman Sam Ahlersmeyer went 3-for-4 with three RBI to spark the Warriors' victory.

Sophomore shortstop Austin Baglow also came up with four of his five assists over the final three innings as the Warriors pulled away after Frankfort had sliced an early 5-0 deficit with three runs in the top of the fourth inning.

Senior catcher Dan Abbott also sparkled defensively with five putouts.

"We're Cinderella, we're liv-

ing it up," Lutheran Westland fourth-year coach Kevin Wade said. "We're living on emotion, but our guys know we can compete. It's amazing, it's unbelievable. The kids are having fun and that's what it's all about."

The Warriors collected 12 hits and took advantage of six Frankfort errors to send the Panthers home with a 32-4 overall record.

Lutheran Westland scored three times in the bottom of the first inning.

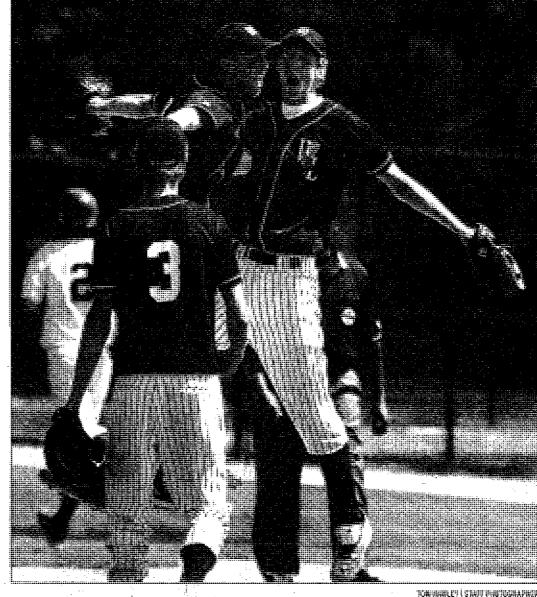
After Adam Zehel drew a lead-off walk, Micah Hausch reached first on a bunt single and Ahlersmeyer singled to left to make it 1-0.

Nate Bachert's fly to right was mishandled and Ryan Baglow helped his own cause with an RBI single. Ahlersmeyer advanced to third and scored on a throwing error by the right field.

In the second inning, the Warriors added two more runs to make it 5-0 on backto-back triples by Hausch and Ahlersmeyer to chase Frankfort starter Max Bankston. Abbott followed with an RBI single, which took a wicked hop past Frankfort freshman left-handed shortstop Kyle Zimmerman.

In the top of the fourth, Frankfort answered with three runs of its own.

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Lutheran Westland second baseman Aaron Derminer (left) and first baseman Nate Bachert react after the final out of the Division 4 state semifinals as winning pitcher Ryan Baglow walks over following a 9-3 victory over Frankfort.



Garden City gets D-1 title shot BY TIM SMITH **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

When Hallie Minch went out to





Hawks deadlock

The Michigan Hawks of the United Soccer Leagues' W-League battled to a scoreless draw Thursday night with the host Kalamazoo Outrage in a match played at Mayors Riverfront Park.

Hawks goalkeeper Liz Watza made three saves, while Outrage keeper Erin Carlson made two stops en route to the shutout.

The tie drops the thirdplace Hawks to 3-3-1 in Midwest Division of the W-League's Central Conference, while the Outrage stands at 0-5-1.

The FC Indiana Lionesses lead the Midwest Division with a 5-0-1 record, while the Minnesota Lightning is second at 3-0-1.

The Hawks return to action 1 p.m. Sunday at Livonia Stevenson School to face the Cleveland Internationals (2-1-0).

S'craft signs golfer

Livonia Churchill High senior Josh Proben signed an NJCAA letter-of-intent to play golf this fall for Schoolcraft College.

The four-year letter winner for the Chargers averaged 38 per nine and 78 for 18 holes en route to team MVP honors.

Strong participation numbers were recorded again during the 2007-08 school year in Michigan high school athletics, as the participation mark for sports in which postseason tournaments are sponsored by the Michigan High School Athletic Association topped the 300.000 mark for the fourth straight year.

The total figure for the school year was 306,924, a number that is down 1.97 percent from the 313,093 figure of a year ago which was the second highest total in the Association's history.

Girls participation was down 2.8 percent from a year ago with 127,821; and the boys total of 179,103 was down 1.4 percent.

The totals count students once for each sport in which he or she participates, meaning students who are multiple-sport athletes are counted more than once.

Records for participation were set in five sports - three for boys and two for girls.

One of the MHSAA's newest postseason tournament sports, boys and girls lacrosse, again hit a high-water mark for both boys and girls; and cross country set new records in both genders. Boys soccer also set a new mark.

For the concluding spring sports season, the only sport to see an increase in participation was boys track, which was up 0.6 percent from a year ago. The boys lacrosse figure was up 366 participants

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on in Friday's Division 1 state soft ball semifinal - roughly four hours after it was supposed to begin - she had a good feeling.

"I had a lot of fun, I came out ready," said the Garden City senior, moments after leading the Cougars to a 3-1 win over New Baltimore Anchor Bay at thunderstorm-soaked Bailey Park in Battle Creek. "I think I knew the whole game we were going to win, I felt pretty confident."

It didn't hurt that her Garden City teammates scratched out a firstinning run against Anchor Bay. Senior shortstop Christina Seward reached on an infield single and Minch (1-for-3) moved her to second with a hit up the middle. Following a wild pitch, senior third baseman Kristina Susalla's ground ball scored Seward.

"Knowing we have a run helps me," said Minch, who had a hard time keeping a big smile off her face. "I'm more confident."

CLOSING IT OUT

All the Tars (36-4) would manage against Minch was an unearned run in the seventh, after the Cougars padded their lead to 3-0 with single runs in the fifth and sixth.

Minch struck out junior Amanda Schneider and sophomore pitcher Olivia Nicholas (who also pitched well in defeat) to close out the triumph and touch off a happy scene on the diamond.

With the win, Garden City (31-6) and head coach Barry Patterson



TOM HAWLEY I STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Garden City pitcher Hallie Minch (left) and teammate Christina Seward are all smiles after taking care of business beating New Baltimore Anchor Bay, 4-1, in the Division 1 state semifinals Friday night in Battle Creek.

moved to within one win of claiming the high school's first championship in any sport.

The Cougars played Alpena (34-5) on Saturday afternoon in the D1 final. (Go to www.hometownlife.com for the story.)

"I feel wonderful, it's an incredible feeling," said Patterson, whose 511th career win sent his team to the D1 final for the first time since 1991. "These kids have worked real We're going to try to get that one more.'

IN CONTROL

Patterson gushed, and deservingly so, over the performance turned in by Minch – who improved to 26-3 with a sub-1.00 earned-run average. Minch gave up just four hits and struck out nine without walking a batter.

"She was awesome today, she had all five pitches working, everything was moving, her control was great,' Patterson said. "I think she maybe hard, but we're not going to stop here. missed on two or three pitches trying

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Cole nets award

University of Detroit-Jesuit senior Michael Cole (Livonia) won the Msgr. Carroll Deady Award for tennis recently at the annual Catholic League Operation-Friendship Athletic Banquet.

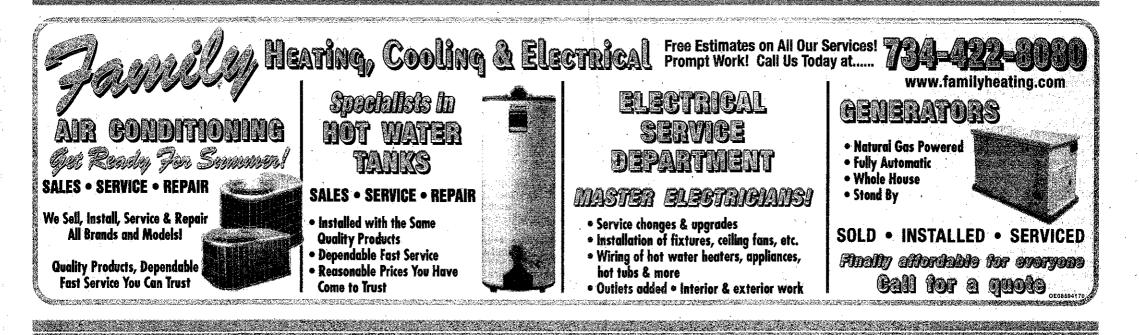
The award was based on academic, athletic, service work and recommendations from a coach, athletic director and school principal.

Cole was co-valedictorian of his class and a recent Channel 7-McDonald's Scholar Athlete of the Week.

Tenap honored

Henry Ford Community College women's basketball player Jourdane Tenap (Westland John Glenn) recently received allstate academic honors from the Michigan Community College Athletic Association (MCCAA).

To achieve the honor, MCCAA student-athletes must maintain a 3.2 grade-point average or better and completed at least 36 credit hours.



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Scanlon at the plate, with Rice

catcher Jimmy Pickens apply-

"That was a momentum changer with that throw home,"

Riker said. "And it was a good

play by Pickens coming out. "When you have a catcher

with a football mentality like

knock him over. And Matt did

a good job throwing it on a line

Brother Rice (33-6) scored all of its runs in the third inning.

Andy Lentz hit a one-out sin-

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BASEBA

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Cameron MacArthur and Devin Gokey both singled, but MacArthur was erased at third on a bullet throw by Abbott for the first out. Designated hitter Alex Stieve followed by hitting a blooper to left, which dropped in front of a sprawling Lutheran Westland left fielder Billy Meier, who was caught in the right forearm from the spike of shortstop Austin Baglow.

Two runners scored on the play when Meier's throw to third bounced into the Warriors' dugout. Bankston then singled home Tyler Stratton, who had earlier reached base on a fielder's choice.

Meier needed immediate medical attention after the play, suffering a 3-inch cut and a 1-inch gash that required 26 stitches. Hausch moved over to left and Tony Cipolla came in to play right.

Meanwhile, Frankfort had a runner aboard with one out, but Ryan Baglow got out of the fourth-inning jam with a popout to first and a grounder to Ahlersmeyer, who adeptly handled a slow tapper off the bat of Wade Luxford and gunned the ball to Bachert at first to end the inning.

After Frankfort had scored the three times, Baglow had a confab on the mound with his catcher.

"My catcher (Abbott) came out and he just makes me smile," the senior right-hander said. "He just reminded me to relax and have fun. I was able to find my groove again and get back the momentum."

The Warriors, sending eight batters to the plate, put it away with four runs on five hits in the bottom of the fifth.

Cipolla came through with a clutch RBI triple to the right field fence, scoring Bachert who had reached base following a Frankfort infield error. Aaron Derminer, Hausch and

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ers (14.4 percent).



Lutheran Westland shortstop Austin Baglow turns for the force at first which turned into a double play. Frankfort runner Chris Tondu (right) was thrown out at third base in Friday's Division 4 state semifinal in Battle Creek.

Ahlersmeyer each added RBI singles during the uprising.

Wade was proud of the way his team bounced back after Frankfort cut the deficit to two runs

"They're seniors, they've been through it before and they handled it themselves.* the Lutheran Westland coach said of the players-only mound meeting. "They (Frankford) had a lot of momentum and to hold them and get more runs was huge. I'm glad the way they responded.

"We were aggressive early on the bases and it was working, but we were hesitant during the middle innings and there was a big momentum swing. I was also concerned about Billy Meier. Austin Baglow tried to avoid him and clipped him. We were happy to get out of that inning."

Ryan Baglow, who retired the final 11 Frankfort batters in order, went all seven innings. He struck out four and walked only two.

"We hadn't committed six errors in a week and their pitcher did a good job of keeping us off-balance," Frankfort coach Mike Zimmerman said.

"We never staved consistent." The 3-0 first-inning advantage also gave the Warriors confidence.

"I've always gotten the run support, you can usually count on that," Baglow said. "But we've won with defense, too. We have a good defensive crew. We have faith in every single play.

"We put runners on early, got some runs and that's what this team has been doing. It put them on their heels.

"We play loose and have fun. It's a good ballclub. We play as a group."

Lefty Derek Fleetham, who was the quarterfinal hero Tuesday throwing a two-hitter in a 7-0 win over Ottawa Lake Whiteford, was the scheduled Lutheran Westland starter in the state championship game against All Saints.

But Ryan Baglow, wearing an ice pack on his right arm, made it clear he was ready to go again on a day's notice.

"If they need an inning or an out ~ for sure," he said. "It's the state finals.'

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baseball 184 (1 percent). The softball figure was the lowest since the MHSAA began keeping survey data in 1991-92. The girls soccer participation was still its third highest total ever after 16 straight seasons of growth. The boys golf decline was at its lowest

The participation figures are gathered annually from MHSAA member schools to submit to the National Federation of State High School Associations for compiling its national participation survey.

Results of Michigan survey from the 2000-01 school year

Rice earns spot in D-1 finals

"He's a guy who doesn't back down. I knew he was going to

give me his best effort and he

did. I'm happy for him, happy

seventh inning. The lefty gave

up an earned run off a walk,

a fielder's choice and an RBI

single by Cody Rabrahn, but

Riker switched pitchers

because Jenison's bottom half

the order was swinging the bat

"Their bottom of the order

through, so we decided to make

a switch," Riker said. "I thought

their timing with Derek was a

little more on. I thought, being

Jenison (31-5) never threat-

ened until the sixth. Three con-

secutive singles went for naught

when Conway, playing left field

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out there and give it a shot."

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for the school, happy for this

team. They did a good job." Matt Conway pitched the

BY DAN STICKRADT ECCENTRIC STAFF WRITER

Behind the pitching of junior Derek Kilmer, Birmingham Brother Rice won its state semifinal Friday at Nichols Field, topping Jension and advancing to the Division 1 championship game, 4-1.

"When you get here, the goal is always to get to Saturday," Rice coach Bob Riker said. "I've been on both sides of the fence. It's my third trip up here as a head coach.

"It's a different group of guys, and it's exciting for everybody that comes up here. I'm happy for this group, because they get a chance to play on the last day."

Kilmer went six strong innings, scattering four hits with seven strikeouts and only two walks to gain the win. He carried a no-hitter into the fifth, and that was spoiled with two outs in the frame.

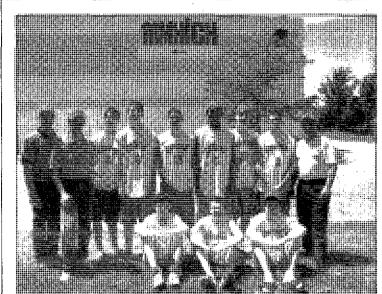
"He's a battler," Riker said.

Augustine's bat bolsters Rams

Dan Augustine went 3-for-4 with an RBI as the Michigan Rams unloaded for 14 hits Wednesday in a 6-4 Michigan Collegiate Baseball League triumph over the Blue Knights at Ford Field.

The 20-and-under Rams improved to 5-2 in the MCBL, while the 22-and-under Blue Knights fell to 4-4-1.

Joe Barnes also had three hits and scored a run for the Rams,



while teammates Tim Cross and Frank Persichino each added two hits and an RBI.

Aaron Wick, Brett Mazmanian and Nick Plinka also drove in runs.

Tony Fazi went 2-for-4 with two RBI for the Blue Knights. Brent Opland and Keith Kampe contributed two hits apiece. Kalamazoo College's Ben

Schroeder (Livonia Stevenson), the Rams' starter, went the first

4.1 innings, allowing four runs (two earned) on seven hits and a walk. Brett Spencer (Madonna University) went the final 2.2 innings and did not allow a run to pick up the save. He allowed just one hit and a pair of walks.

Losing pitcher Justin Barber went four innings, allowing four earned runs on 11 his, a pair of walks and one hit batter. Casey Haggerty finished up, giving up one runs on three hits.

> Cobras saluted

The Livonia Cobras, made up of Stevenson High players, finished with 15-13 AAU spring season boys basketball record including a 3-1 tournament mark last weekend at the Aim High in Lansing. Members of the Cobras, coached by John Marzec, include Jordan El-Sabeh, Mark Grisa, Bobby Naubert, Gary Cobb, Brian Rowe, Dan Keimig, Nick Marzec, Kyle Bambach and Frank Sopko.

girls tennis decreased 344 (3.5 percent); girls soccer was off by 292 (2.1 percent); girls track and field 265 (1.5 percent); boys golf 247 (3.2 percent); and

(9.7 percent) over last year, and

girls lacrosse was up 254 play-

Softball participation was

down by 594 (3.6 percent);

point in 12 years as 34 fewer schools sponsored the sport this spring. Overall spring participa-

tion was down 1,161 (1 percent) from 2006-07.

The Cougars' defense also

made some important plays.

er Carley Shattleroe gunned

down Anchor Bay's Natalie

Wellman trying to steal sec-

Senior centerfielder Katie

Torok rushed in to grab a fly

ball to start the fourth, senior

drifted back to make a catch

rightfielder Stacey Brickan

batter's one-hop smash was

handled by Susalla at third.

And although the Cougars

weren't knocking the cover off

the ball, they made the most

Torok (1-for-3, one run)

slapped a lead-off single to

right to open the fifth and

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WHATEVER IT TAKES

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to the present may be viewed on the MHSAA Web site, www.mhsaa.com, and clicking on Administrators under the Users Sections heading.

to hit her location.

"And this (Anchor Bay) is a great-hitting team. They just scored 20 runs against three of the top pitchers in the state their last three games (including 10 against Warren Regina). For her to shut them down is an incredible feat I think."

Examples of Minch's prowess were many.

In the second, Anchor Bay's Miriam McKay doubled on the first pitch. But she would not advance as Minch sandwiched two strikeouts around a lazy fly ball.

Anchor Bay batters were called out on strikes to end the third and fourth innings. And with Garden City spectators on their feet and hollering, a changeup chased

WYAA football

Association begins its 50th year of football with 2008 sea-

son registration from 7-9 p.m.

until noon on Saturdays at the

each Wednesday and 10 a.m.

WYAA's Lange Compound, located at 6050 Farmington

Road (north of Ford Road).

and Comets (37th year) offer

Freshman), 8-10 (Freshman),

11-12 (Junior Varsity) and 11-14

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

age groups for 7-8 (Junior

(Varsity).

Both the Meteors (41st year)

Nicholas to end the ballgame. ripped a run-scoring single to center on an 0-2 count.

"Seward came up big with a couple hits," Patterson said.

Minch's subsequent bid for a gapper to left was flagged down by leaping Anchor Bay shortstop Samantha Scott, who doubled off Seward at first.

Garden City tacked on another run in the sixth. After Susalla (1-for-3) grounded out, junior leftfielder Shannon Pietruszka (1-for-3, one run) and senior second baseman Tricia York (1-for-3) singled.

Pietruszka crossed the plate on a grounder to shortstop by senior first baseman Breannea King.

"We did what we needed to do," said Patterson, emphasizing that every add-on run amped up the pressure on the Tars.

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

Sept. 1 of the current year and there are weight restrictions The Westland Youth Athletic 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.

Select soccer tryouts

The Livonia YMCA will stage select team tryouts for the new Livonia Fire Football Club for boys and girls in age division under-10 through under-16, Sunday through Thursday, at Livonia's Jaycee

Park.

The Livonia Fire is a member of the Western Suburban Soccer League (WSSL). Those who do not make the select league will be welcomed to participate in the YMCA's recreational league.

For more information. specific dates and times for tryouts, call the Livonia Y at (734) 261-2161.

18-and-over baseball

Those 18-and-over interested in forming a summer baseball league, approximately four-to-five teams for a 12-to-15 game season at Carleton-Airport's Kurtansky Field, should contact Jason Baas at (734) 652-8586; or e-mail jbaas28@hotmail.com.

Blanchard's genes run deep

moming from a dedicated bowling family, 18-yearold Kayla Blanchard was destined to become a top level bowler.

Her mother and father, Debbie and Ron, bowled for years in the Greenfield

Mixed League at Country Lanes in Farmington Hills. While they thrived as one of the tougher competitive **Ten Pin Alley** pairs teams in

the league, they Al Harrison would occasionally bring their little girl along to watch them

bowl. Little Kayla was indoctrinated early and went through the progression of youth leagues in which mom and dad would be there to watch her bowl, starting in travel leagues at age nine and progressing to youth sport condition league bowling at 15.

Kayla thrives on the competition, enjoying much success in the Michigan Junior Masters Association monthly tournaments.

I first noticed her name in a press release from the MJMA in its Belleville event at Lodge Lanes in which she won. For those who are not familiar with the MJMA, that is the ultimate in youth bowhing in which competitors enter from several states including Ohio, Pennsylvania,

BASEBALL LEAGUE SCHEDULE

Sunday, June 15

(at Livonia's Ford Field)

Mich, Rams vs. Mich, Dodgers (2), noon.

Trailblazers vs. Monarchs (2), 5 p.m.

(at Southfield-Lathrup H.S.)

Det. Eagles vs. Mich. Bulls, noon.

(at Livonia's Bicentennial Park)

Blue Knights vs. Thunder (2), noon.

Wednesday, June 18

(at Livonia's Ford Field)

Blue Knights vs. Trailblazers, 5:45 p.m.

New York and Illinois. It provides solid competition and a chance to win significant scholarship money for college.

Kavla currently attends at Schoolcraft College after spending the past academic year at Grand Valley State University where she was a member of its club bowling team.

While at GVSU, Blanchard recorded three top-five finishes in five girls conference events. She also placed in the top 20 this year for the girls Rookie of the Year honors for intercollegiate women.

Among her many accomplishments are a pair of back-to-back 2006 and 2007 state Class A mixed team titles. She also bowled in the Keystone State Tournaments where she led the Detroit region both seasons.

Blanchard also qualified for the Junior Gold Tournament in 2006 at Fort Lauderdale, Fla., which provided Kayla "an inside look at how competitive it can be i Kayla plans to attend and anxiously awaits the Junior Gold Championships, which will be staged this summer in Detroit.

"It's an amazing privilege and something I am thrilled to be a part of again," Blanchard said.

This event will bring youth bowlers to our area in large numbers, following right after the U.S. Bowling Congress Women's Championships currently running its course at Super Bowl Lanes in Canton.

"Next year I will be attending Schoolcraft College," she said,

"where I hope to find the time to volunteer and help the team. I can't bowl yet, as the transfer rule requires me to sit out a year when changing schools."

She hopes to venture out-ofstate where more funding goes towards the trips and where she can be a very competitive collegiate bowler.

For the first time, Tom Oddi and his father Mike joined the Sunday Goodtimers League at Country Lanes this past season. They not only learned what team bowling is all about, they actually led the team to the league title.

Tom finished his first year of competitive bowling with a 179 average. He was also invited to fill a spot on one of the teams in the Summer Swingers League Thursday nights at Country Lanes where he promptly blistered the pins with a 258 opening game and wound up with a 664 series, while suddenly averaging an amazing 220.

All of this in his first year of bowling.

However, the bubble did burst the following week as he came in with around the 460 mark, which in turn, brought his average back to reality at 187.

The summer leagues can be rewarding by letting you work on your game without much pressure as often experienced during the regular season.

Al Harrison is a resident of Southfield and a member of the Bowling Writers Association of America. He can be reached via e-mail at: tenpinalley710@yahoo.com.

(at Livonia's Ford Field) Blue Knights vs. Det. Eagles, 5:45 p.m. Monarchs vs. Mich. Dodgers, B:15 p.m. (at Livonia's Bicentennial Park) Mich. Rams vs. Trailblazers, 5:45 p.m. Mich. Buils vs. Tecum. Thunder, B:15 p.m. Saturday, June 21

Mich. Rams vs. Det. Eagles (2), noon. Monarchs vs. Blue Knights (2), 5 p.m. (at Livonia's Bicentennial Park) Mich. Dodgers vs. Mich. Bulls (2), noon. (at Tecumseh, Ontario's LaCasse Park) Tecumseh Thunder vs. Trailblazers, noon.

UNITED SOCCER LEAGUES W-LEAGUE Sunday, June 15 Mich. Hawks vs. Cleveland Internationals at Livonia Stevenson H.S., 1 p.m.

Monarchs vs. Dodgers, B:15 p.m. (at Livonia's Bicentennial Park) Mich. Rams vs. Det. Eagles, 5:45 p.m. Mich. Buils vs. TecumThunder, B:15 p.m. Friday, June 20

(at Livonia's Ford Field)

THE WEEK AHEAD MICHIGAN COLLEGIATE

ALL-OBSERVER BOYS TRACK

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State medalists performing at high level

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

CHRIS GOLONKA, SR., LIV. STEVENSON (SHOT PUI): The senior wound up 14th in the Division 1 state meet with an areabest toss of 49 feet, 6.25 inches.

Golonka was runner-up at the regional and fifth at the Western Lakes Activities Association meet. He also took a fifth in the discus at the WLAA meet with a toss of 152-0.

"Chris has only been throwing for two seasons and has done a great job for this short time," Stevenson coach Scott Shaw said. "I wish he would have participated in track as a freshman because I think he could have been much better. He has a good work ethic and is competitive come meet time.'

ZACH BOZIGIAN, SR., WESTLAND GLENN (DIS-CUS): Under the guidance of throws coach Charles Hallman, the senior captain had a breakout season placing third in the Division 1 state meet with a school-record toss of 163-0.

Bozigian, a four-year letterman, also placed first at the regional (153-9), first at the MITCA Meet of Champions and was runner-up in the WLAA (156-7).

"Zach is one of the most focused, goal-oriented athletes I have ever coached," Glenn's Jess Shough said. "He followed his plan exactly in placing in the state finals and setting a new school record. He was a very versatile athlete who could have been an outstanding sprinter and long jumper."

MITCHELL WHITE, SR., LIV. STEVENSON (HIGH JUMP): The senior capped off an outstanding career by winning the Division 1 state title with a leap of 6-6

White captured the Livonia City meet with a school-record and area-best 6-8. He also captured the WLAA title and was third at the regional.

"Mitchell has worked hard at becoming a good high jumper," Shaw said. "He had success early in his career, but was inconsistent. This season was by far his most consistent season between 6-5 and 6-7 most every meet. He has a great chance of being successful at the next level."

KESHAWN MARTIN, SR., WESTLAND GLENN (LONG JUMP): The senior, headed to Michigan State on a football scholarship, made of the most of his only season of high school track winding up ninth in Division 1 after winning the regional (22-3).

Martin was also WLAA champion (21-10.5) and finished undefeated iu dual meets. He was also Elks. Raider, EMU Huron and Jackson Northwest invitational champion.

Martin, who scored 298 points this season (fourth all-time at Glenn), also stood out in the sprints and relays. He was clocked in 22.3 in the 200 only behind teammate Larry Dawkins.

"Keshawn is a phenomenal athlete," Shough said. "This has been his first year running track and he made an unbelievable impact on the success of our team. He was the missing link that made this team so successful.

ethic and loves the sport. He travels all over the state in the off-season to vault and train. The sky is the limit in '09 as he'll get stronger and faster in the off-season. We'll work hard on his hurdle technique and conditioning so that he can enjoy success there next season to help his team."

MYLES WHITE, SR., LÍV. STEVENSON (110-METER HURDLES): The senior took first at the Observerland Relays with a meet record and area-best time of 13.87. White was also first at the region-

al and WLAA meets. In the 300 hurdles, White took first at the regional and fourth at the WLAA. His best clocking was

a 39.07 (breaking his own school record). In the long jump, White took second at the regional, third at the state

meet (school-record 22-3.5). "Myles' career is for the most part a highlight," Shaw said. "Placing third in the state in the long jump and first at Observerland breaking his record with a sub-14 are the biggest.

"He is probably one of the best multi-sport athletes Stevenson has had. He was one of the state's top hurdlers, which is impressive since he's been doing it for just a couple of years. He has worked very hard at it in the off-seasons. He owns three school records, plus the Observerland and WLAA records in the 110 hurdles."

TIM BELCHER, SR., CANTON (300 HURDLES): The senior captain was a multifaceted performer for the Chiefs, earning points in the 110 high hurdles, 800 relay, 1,600 relay and 300 intermediate hurdles. He set a school record of 39.2 seconds in the 300 hurdles and finished second at the WLAA meet. He also qualified for the Division 1 state meet after placing second in the event at the Regional competition.

"Tim was a great leader for us this season and was voted as one of the team MVP winners," said Canton coach Bob Richardson.

LARRY DAWKINS, SR., WESTLAND GLENN (100 DASH): The senior captain placed third in Division 1 after posting a schoolrecord time of 10.42 en route to runner-up honors at the regional.

Dawkins was the WLAA champion in the 100 (10.6) and 200 (21.86). He holds the school record for career points by over 200 and competed Saturday in the Midwest Meet of Champions.

"Larry developed into one of the premier sprinters in the state with a lot of hard work," Shough said. "His confidence grew during his junior year and continued through his senior year.

"He loved the challenge of facing the top sprinters in the area and state, and expected to beat them. He will truly be missed by our team and our coaches. He plans on continuing his running at Eastern or Central Michigan.'

CONNOR MCKINNEY, JR., PLYMOUTH (200):

ask him if it benefits the team. He had a very good senior year because of his work ethic.'

BRANDON GRYSKO, SR., LIV. CHURCHILL (800): The four-time All-Area, All-City and state qualifier posted the area's top time (1:58.7) en route first-place finish at the Livonia City, WLAA and regional meets. He was also a member of Churchill's first-place City, WLAA and regional 3,200 relay teams.

Grysko, headed to run cross country at Madonna University, also holds the school record in the 1,600 (4:22.0),

"Brandon has been a star in our program since his freshman year when he was conference champ and gualified for the state meet in the 800," Austin said. "A co-captain, he was a tremendous leader during his career. He anchored our 3,200 relay team, ran the 400, 800 and 1,600 and anchored our 1,600 relay. His versatility allowed our team to be very successful during his career as he was a two-time conference champion (2005 and 2007), Observerland Relays champion (2005), Lakes Division champion (2006) and regional champion (2007).

"His competitive desire was a tremendous influence on our program and will be missed."

MIKE GIBBONS, SR., LIV. STEVENSON (1,600): The senior showed his versatility with a runner-up regional time of 1:59.23 in the 800 and an area-best 4:29.9 en route to a second-place showing at the WLAA meet. Gibbons was also a member of

Stevenson's state qualifying 4 x 400 relay squad. "Mike ran a strong fourth place

last year in the conference in the 800 going under two minutes," Shaw said. "Mike is a very hard worker. He got the most out of his talent because he works hard. He's a very good student-athlete and will be attending Grand valley State next for school and run track."

KEVIN DEBEAR, SR., SALEM (3,200): The senior capped a spectacular career by winning city, conference and Regional titles in the 3,200, deBear was unbeaten in the two-mile run until the state meet, where he placed 13th, and has the sixth-fastest time in the 38-year history of Salem High School. deBear is going to Wayne State University with a cross country scholarship.

"Kevin was a leader for three years on this team," said Salem coach Kyle Meteyer. "Our distance squad is only getting better and Kevin deserves accolades for that - not only as a performer, but as a leader."

RELAY EVENTS STEVENSON, 400 (AUSTIN WHITE, SOPH.; JACOB GUDEMAN, JR.; MITCHELL WHITE, SR.; NICK ANAGNOSTOU, JR.): This foursome, made up of three underclassmen, finished fifth in the Division 1 state meet with an area-best time of 42.74.

They also took first at the Livonia

"This relay has been an exciting team to watch all season," Shough said. "They have been a very dedicated group who bave worked very hard to be successful. The addition of Keshawn Martin to a veteran team has been the missing link that made them state caliber.

CANTON, 1,600 (JORDAN WISNIEWSKI. SOPH.: SHERIF HASSANIEN, JR.; TIM BELCHER, SR.; ERIC PIWOWAR, SR.): This quartet saved its best for last, posting a time of 3:26.0 at the Division I state meet.

"They were also Regional champions and placed third in the WLAA conference meet," Richardson added

PLYMOUTH, 3,200 (KYLE WALLATH, SR.; MATT LEWANDOWSKI, SR.; JUSTIN HUEY, SR.; WARREN 9UZZARD. SOPH.): This Wildcat foursome broke the school record in this event twice during the 2008 campaign and qualified for the D1 state meet this spring.

"They saved their best for last, running 8:04.47 at the state finals," said Britnell. "It's a great group of young men that always competed with purpose.'

COACH OF THE YEAR

JESS SHOUGH, WESTLAND GLENN: The 63vear-old Shough has been coaching 29 years, including the past 17 as head track and field coach with the Rockets. He has also served 20 years as the Glenn boys varsity cross country coach.

Shough guided the Rockets to their most successful season since 1997 when they captured the Class A regional.

This year's Glenn squad was runner-up at the Division I regional at Canton; fifth in the WLAA meet and third in the MITCA Meet of Champions. The Rockets went 3-3 in dual meets.

Under the direction of Shough 'and throws coach Charles Hallman, the Rockets set five school records including the 100, 200, discus, 110 hurdles and 400 relay. They missed the school record in the 800 relay by 2-10ths of a second.

"Our senior leadership was tremendous," said Shough, who teaches physical education at Glenn. "They worked very hard to get there and the addition of Keshawn Martin, who was our top point-getter with 298, was a blessing. He never ran track previously, but he was the one guy needed for our sprint relays to replace Ian Thornton (who gradu-

ated).' Shough, a native of Adrian, played football, baseball and basketball before going to Eastern Michigan University on a football scholarship. He began coaching track at the middle school level and was an assistant at Garden City East before going to Glenn.

"Our (1997) regional championship team was deep, but they did not have the records this team had," Shough said. "I know what it's like not to have success. When you achieve success from hard work it's



Christopher Gólonka Stevenson



Keshawn Martin John Glenn



Larry Dawkins John Glenn



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Michael Gibbons

Kevin deBear

Nick Anagnostou



"He is a very quick learner and a very welcomed addition to our team. I wish him great success in his career at MSU and it has been a pleasure coaching him.'

DERIK PETERMAN, JR., LIV. CHURCHILL (POLE VAULT): The junior wound up fourth in Division 1 and holds the school record in the pole vault (15-3).

Peterman was WLAA, regional and Ann Arbor Huron River Rat Invitational champion. He was also an MHSAA Academic All-Stater.

"His vault overshadows the success he is beginning to experience in the hurdles (15.2 and 43.0)," Churchill coach Rick Austin said. "He possesses an incredible work

The junior enjoyed a break-out season, setting school records in the 200 (22.6) and 400 (51.3). He's a two-time state qualifier.

"Connor is a great athlete who will do whatever is asked to help his team," said Plymouth coach Kurt Britnell. "He can compete in eight events and he's an awesome young man.'

DEREK BUSKEY, SR., LIV. STEVENSON (400): The senior posted the area's best time with a 49.66, which also included a regional title and a runner-up finish at the WLAA meet.

Buskey also took a surprising third at the WLAA meet in the 200 (22.5) and was a state qualifier in the 400 and 4 x 400 relay.

"Derek is a very hard worker at practice," Shaw said. "He's very unselfish and will run anything you

City Meet, second at Observerland and third at both the WLAA and regional meets.

"This group got better all season because we had some great competition all year running against Franklin (42.8) and John Glenn (42.81), which finished sixth and sev enth at the state meet," Shaw said. JOHN GLENN, 800 (JAJUAN MARKS, SOPH.; KESHAWN MARTIN, SR.; COREY DAVIS, SR.; LARRY DAWKINS, SR.): This quartet wound up

sixth in Division 1 (1:29.9) after placing second at the regional (1:30.3) and winning the Western Lakes title (1:30.1). This foursome posted the second

fastest time in school history and missed the school-record by only 2-10ths of a second. Marks will be the only returnee next season. The other three are seniors.

rewarding. It's more meaningful because we had to work harder and the kids had to appreciate what they had

"In track there are so many ingredients. Our throws coach - Charles Hallman, and I, have worked together for 11 years. He's been invaluable and this season it paid off with a school-record in the discus.'



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INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

Shot put: 1. Chris Golonka, Sr., Livonia Stevenson; 2. Ed Merhl, Soph., Salem; 3. Dana Baltazar, Soph., Salem. Discus: 1. Zach Bozigian, Sr., Westland John Glenn; 2. Austin Hassen, Sr., Wayne Memorial; 3. James Kelly, Sr., John Glenn, High jump: 1. Mitchell White, Sr., Stevenson; 2. (tie) Pat York, Sr., Stevenson; Jace Pardon, L., Salema, 2. Jack Carkell, Saph Beardon, Jr., Salem; 3. Zack Gaskell, Soph.,

Salem. Long jump: 1. Keshawn Martin, Sr., John Glenn; 2. Billy Gutowski, Sr., Livonia Churchill; 3. David Simor, Jr., Stevenson. Pole vault: 1. Derik Peterman, Jr., Churchill; 2. Joe Tesner, Sr., Churchill; 3. Chris McGinnis, Sr., Canton. 110-meter hurdles: 1. Myles White, Sr.

110-meter hurdles: 1. Myles White. Sr. Stevenson; 2. Marcus Bennett, Sr., Redford Thurston; 3. Dennis Dillard, Sr., John Glenn, **300 hurdles**: 1. Tim Belcher, Sr., Canton; 300 hurdles: 1. Tim Belcher, Sr., Canton; 2. Renaido Powell, Sr., Wayne; 3. Sherif Hassanien, Jr., Canton. 100 dash: 1. Larry Dawkins, Sr., John Glenn;

2. Nick Anagnostóu, Jr., Stevenson; 3. Eric

Piwowar, Sr., Canton. 200: 1. Connor McKinney, Jr., Plymouth; 2. Kyle Kempf, Sr., Lutheran Westland; 3. (tie) Kyle Kempf, Sr., Lutheran Westland; 3. (tie) Darell Myree, Sr., Livonia Franklin; Devon Easterling, Jr., Churchill. **400**: 1. Derek Buskey, Sr., Stevenson; 2. Nate Sergison, Jr., Stevenson; 3. John Stoddart, Jr., Garden City. **800**: 1. Brandon Grysko, Sr., Churchill; 2. Kyle Wallath, Sr., Plymouth; 3. (tie) Michael Schmidt, Jr., Churchill; Spencer Lyle, Jr., Lutheran Westland

Lutheran Westland. 1,600: 1. Mike Gibbons, Sr., Stevenson; 2. Mark Waterbury, Jr., Churchili; 3. Jacob Schofield, Sr., Wayne. 3,200: 1. Kevin deBear, Sr., Salem; 2. Matt

Devey, Jr., Salem; 3. Duncan Spitz, Jr., Canton.

RELAY EVENTS

400: 1. Stevenson (Austin White, Soph.; Jacob Gudeman, Jr.; Mitchell White, Sr.; Nick Anagnostou, Jr.); 2. Franklin (Darell Myree, Sr.; Isaac Cadet, Jr.; Mike Baumgardner, Soph.; Paul Voegele, Jr.); 3. John Glenn (JuJuan Marks, Soph.; Keshawn Martin, Sr.;

Corey Davis, Sr.; Larry Dawkins, Sr.). 800: 1. John Glenn (JaJuan Marks, Soph.; Keshawn Martin, Sr.; Corey Davis, Sr.; Larry Dawkins, Sr.); 2. Stevenson (Derek Buskey, Sr.; Mitchell White, Sr.; Nate Sergison, Jr.; Myles White, Sr.); 3. Churchill (Travis Tomey, Jr.; Jeff Ricketts, Jr.; Devon Easterling, Jr.; Pilly Ottenstell, Sr.)

Billy Gutowski, Sr.). 1,600: 1. Canton (Jordan Wisniewski Soph.; Sherif Hassanien, Jr.; Tim Belcher, Sr.; Eric Piwowar, Sr.); 2. Plymouth (Matt Lewandowski, Sr.; Mike Hanchett, Sr.; Connor McKinney, Jr.; Kyle Wallath, Sr.); 3. Stevenson (Nate Sergison, Jr.; Stephen Pollard, Soph.; Mike Gibbons, Sr.; Derek Ruskey, Sr.)

3,200: 1. Plymouth (Kyle Wallath, Sr.; Matt Lewandowski, Sr.; Justin Huey, Sr.; Warren Buzzard, Soph.); 2. Churchill (Michael Schmidt, Jr.; Brandon Grysko, Sr.; Nathan Wise, Jr.; Paul Folk, Sr.); 3. Canton (Keith Zech, Soph.; Josh Hurst, Jr.; Paul Rakovitis, Soph.; Derek Hoerman, Sr.). COACH OF THE YEAR Jess Shough, John Glenr





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Asian woman, 52°, 180bs, siim, attractive, health-conscious, vegetarian, N/D, N/S. En-joys dining, movies, quiet times. Seeking clean-cut, fit, attractive, respectful, profes-sional Asian or White male for dating and pos-sibly more. 2113901

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DWF 63.

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WEST SIDE SBM, 36, 5'9", 150 bs, light brown eyes, smoker, seeks woman, 20-40, race open, who is open-minded. **17280319**

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GREAT SENSE OF HUMOR

WM, 6'3", dark/blue, easygoing, down-to-earth, enjoys sports, concerts, movies, dining out, Would love to meet an attrac-tive temale for dating. Foreign born a plus. **m**257029

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WAITING FOR YOU SWM, 30, 5'8", 140lbs, down-to-earth, open-minded, hard-worker, likes fishing, hunting, olubbing. Seeking SW/AF, 18-40, for possible relationship. 2278555

GIVE ME A CALL

BM, 35, 5'5", 150lbs, secure, family-oriented, looking for a SWF, N/S, who shares the same interests and passions. I enjoy life, going plac-es and trying new things. **271820** MUSCULAR AND ATHLETIC

Tail, athletic SWM, 48, 62°, 200ibs, brown/ blue, no dependents, college-educated, clean-cut, good sense of humor, outgo-ing, seeks friendly SF, for fun. Age/location open. **2587540**

ARE YOU THE ONE? SWM, 52, seeks stender female, 40-50, who likes fishing, the outdoors, hunting, gardening, cocking. **3279947**

LOVES THE OUTDOORS WM, 78, 57", 170bs, N/S, looking for a lady around the same age, for dinner, movies, travel, tv and walks. 2776731

THE ONE TO CALL WM, 60, brown/brown, tall, slim, secure, would like to meet a nice, sweet, kind lady to go out and have a good time with. We'll see what develops from there. 277435

READY TO MEET? 75-yaar-old gentieman looking for a female, 65-75, for companionship and more. Enjoys going out on the weekends, short drives, going north. Non-smokers and non-drinkers please. 2274114

DON'T HESITATE... call for a date! SWM, 55, happy, healthy, N/S, enjoys reading, cooking, home life, road trips, seeks SWF, 40-59, for companionship, may-be more. **12**992956

SEEKING A LADY SWM, 75, wants to meet an active WF, 55-70, who likes dancing, walks, movies, travel in the US. Will respond to all. \$274642

A WALK AND A TALK Try this easygoing, lovable SWM, 50, good listener, who enjoys book stores, coffee shops, nature and concerts. I seek a like-minded counterpart for where ever it goes. **T**200890

LET'S MEET FOR COFFEE SWM, 70s, 5'4", N/S, would like to meet a lady, 65-72. I enjoy taking walks, riding bikes, taking trips. Seeking SWF, 62-75, for friend-ship, maybe more. 27275970

LET'S TALK SWM, 6'3", 240lbs, Italian, blue eyes, easygo-ing, blue-jean type of guy, likes kids, looking for a petite woman, 45-65, easygoing, laid-back, who likes dining, shows, gardening, quiet times and more. **2991273**

AHE WE A MATCH? SAM, 29, 5'6". N/S, no children, wants to meet a SW/HF, 18-27, who enjoys sports. 7276522

LOOKING FOR SOULMATE

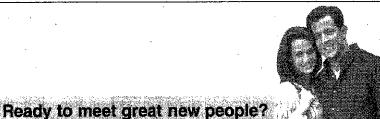
Attractive SWM, 6'3", 165lbs, N/S, N/D, shy, fit, enjoys carpentry, riding my bicycle, gar-dening and more. Seeking a SWF, 50-60, with similar interests, for possible LTA: **1248074**

SEEKS A GOOD WOMAN SEEKS A GOOD WOMAN DWM, 52, auto worker, N/S, sociable drinker, enjoys drama and action films, bowling, golf, plays and more. Seeking SWF, with kids ok, to share lifes little pleasures. \$251015 **COMPASSIONATE & SINCERE**

Funny SBM, 59, 510°, average build, smoker, seeks woman, 30-75, who loves being show-ered with attention, for friendship, possible romance. 2258141 A LOT TO OFFER

SWM, 19, light smoker, no children, would like

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ing and friendship. 2267624 LOVE IS THE GOAI

DWCF, 71, looks younger, 5'2", long dark brown hair, brown eyes, positive attitude, seeks faithful SWM for LTR. 2655254

LOOKING FOR SOUL MATE Hi my name is Lois, I'm a 56-year-old widow with dark blonde hair, blue eyes, and I wear glasses. I have no children but have 3 cats. I enjoy reading, music, old movies, going up north, museums, historical places, quiet evenings at home, gardening and also enjoy a lot of other things and open to many more. Yve got a sense-of-humor, love to laugh, very caring and considerate person. Looking for someone with similar interests, not neces ily the same as mine. Seeking a long-term ationship and see what happens. 2137067 SUMMER IS COMING!

BF, 45, seeks special someone to share pic-nics, walks in the park, quiet days at home and concerts with. If you have the cheese and wine, I have the blanket. 2271006

HELLO OUT THERE SWF, 39 years young, seeks SWM, who eniovs lifes simple pleasures. Leniovs dining out, computers, movies, the parks walks, travel and life in general. Friendship first. 2241298 **GORGEOUS SMILE!**

GURGEOUS SMILE! SBF, 26, 5'6", 130lbs, slim build, smoker, D/D-free, seeks BF, 18-60, smoker, for friendship, possible romance. I enlov movies diploc possible romance. I enjoy movies, dining, television, cuddling. 2227889

ONLY SERIOUS NEED REPLY Voluptuous SBF, 42, would like to meet a nice, seerious SBM, 35-50, who would like to be-come acquainted with a woman and who is ready, willing, and able to commit. **1273603** LONELY VIRGO

SBF, 47, with a young heart, enjoys cartcons, music, dancing, good food, good fun. Looking for SF, 30-65, with same interests. \$269375 BEAUTIFUL SBF ...

37, seeks SWM, 30-50, who is spontaneous and knows how to have fun. Casual relation-ship first, maybe leading to more. **17271683** BEAUTIFUL

BiBF, 37, beautiful, classy and open-minded, looking for BiF, 25-40, race open, D/D free, H/W proportionete. You must be confident with who you are. 5271860

HEART OF GOLD

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HEART OF GULD SBF, 39, 5'6", average build, smoker, enjoya crossword puzzles, old-school lifestyle, mov-ies, dining. Seeking athletic, active BM, 30-42, 6'+, smoker, for friendship, possible romance. **P266442**

COULD YOU BE THE ONE? Bright, spunky, pretty SF, 46, educator, out-going, pretty eyes, wishing to meet a kind Jewish man, 45-60, who's looking for commitment, love and laughter. 2230694

DOWN-TO-EARTH Easygoing DWF, early 50s, would like to meet a really nice WM, 50-65, with the same qualities, minimal baggage, to share the ups and downs of life. Seeking possible LTR. **2279171**

well-dressed, sincere, loving, optimistic, likes, theater, travel, dining, fitness, Wishing to meet N/S WM, 56-70, financially secure, easygoing, good morals, loves family, for dat-ing. **17630806**

MEN SEEKING WOMEN

A GREAT GUY Good-natured, good-looking SWM, 41, ener-getic, versatile, fun, passionate, into boating, casinos, fiea markets. Seeking conversa-tion SWF, for conversation and connection. **176478**

GOOD BETTER BEST SWM, 49, 5'9", 195lbs, is nuts about nature, enjoys the outdoors, fishing, etc. Seeks com-patible SWF, to have and hold. **37992943**

A SPECIAL GUY DWM, 56, 5'10', handsome and secure, seeks honest S/DWF, w/sense of humor, who enjoys travel, candlelight dinners, plays, dancing, concerts, boating, and movies. Friendship, possible LTR. **1269646**

A LOT TO OFFER SWM, 30, 5'6", 1851bs, brown/blue, looking for SWF, 236-45, who is open, friendly, likes get-ting out and having a good time. \$273691

HONEST AND SINCERE DWM, 52, 5'10", 150bs, likes roller skat-ing, computers, biking, boating and some old moves. Seeking SW/HF, silm to medium build, for dating and LTR. **27256288**

READY FOR RELATIONSHIP SM, 29, 5'6", light smoker, hazel eyes, look-ing for SF, 21-40, for friendship or more. 7279902 SHY SM, 26, 5'5", light complexion, red hair, in search of fun and friendship with a single fe-male. Let's talk and see if we click! **2281335**

LOOKING FOR MZ RIGHT WWM, 45, 5117, 220lbs, is easygoing, fun-loving, enjoys a variety of activities, indoor/ outdoor. Looking for LTR, with the right per-son. \$2265340

WAITING FOR YOUR CALL Affectionate SWM, 40, 5'9", 210lbs, dark brown/brown, easygoing, friendly, enjoys din-ing, movies, talks, walks, and waterhront talks, quiet times home. Looking for compatible lady who knows how to enjoy life. **3238130**

IMMATURE WM, 61, good-looking, good sense of hu-mor, interested in politics, sports, the arts, food. Seeking BF, 45-63. Glasses a plus. 7278602

1276802

YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE! Handsome, mature gent SWM. 50, traditional values, romantic, and thoughtful, enjoys cul-tural events, antiquing, short trips, etc. Staek-ing SWF for friendship and companionship. g 176497

I ENJOY LIFE

DWM, 6'2", 225lbs, two teen sons, looking for gal, N/D, N/S, medium build, who is ambitious, likes to laugh and have fun. I like walks, bike riding and more. 43-50. **1276844** SERIOUS WOMAN WANTED SBM, 46, looking for that special persona for LTR, someone who enjoys walks, movies, sporting events, cuddling at home. Please be shapely, independent and know whether be shapely, independent and know what you want in life. \$\$592418

LONELY & READY

SWM, 49, average build, Italian, heart of gold, Virgo, N/S, seeks WF, 45-55, with a nice build, ready for LTR. Serious replies only. Redford Area. 2860305

SEARCHING FOR YOU Affectionate DWM, 65, brown hair, N/S, D/D-free, enjoys craft shows, filea markets, mov-ies, dining, camping, The Red Wings. ISO a special lady, 48-59, to share friendship, dates, possible LTR. **27920969**

HANDSOME & FUN-LOVING

Sincere, fun-loving, down-to-earth SBM, 44. ISO nomantic, honest, intelligent BF, 25-55, with great SOH, for companionship, possible LTR. **1968147**

HOPE 2 HEAR FROM U SOON SWM, 43, in shape, 5'8", 170lbs, brown/ brown, looking for older woman 50-60, fit and SWM attractive, easygoing and secure, who know how to have a good time in life. 2251226

FOREIGN FEVER

new to michigan 39, 6'3", white male good sense of humor enjoy sports, concerts, mov-les, dining out seeks foreign female for dating, possible relationship. 17253132

LOOKING FOR A DREAM SM, Black and Native American, 43, 5/8°, 175ibs, enjoys camping, soft rock music, fish-ing. Looking for a nice, honest, cering SW/ HF, 30-43, average with few extra pounds, for possible LTR. **32257062**

SEEKING EBONY WOMAN Attractive SWPM seeking BF for dating. New to area and looking to explore the city. Sense of humor, easygoing, attractive, H/W pro-portionate, affectionate, established, likes to travel. 2262579

LOOKING FOR ME? SM, 53, outgoing, cool, fun, honest and easy-going loves Italian/Mexican food, racquetball, camping, travel, and much more> looking for fit, fun and active lady to share talks, good times, friendship/fun. **11250719**

A GOOD MAN SM, 45, 5'8", looking for a full-figured female, 25-50, for dating, possible LTR. Race unim-portant, **2264078**

GOOD MAN FOUND Recently divorced BM, 43, 5'8", 200ibs, edu-cated, enjoys movies, nights out, intelligent conversation, weekend trips, seeking easy going, smart, affectionate female. \$267088

SEEKING A SLIM GOODIE Attractive SBM, 43, 5':11", 190lbs, medium build, light complexion, N/S, seeks slender BF, 16-43, who wants to be treated like a prin-cest B72553 cess 267553

TIRED OF BEING ALONE SWM, 47, homeowner, looking for some female companionship. Seeking a woman, age open, who wants to meet a good man.

to meet e SF smoker, for frien ship or more. 2258337

TAKE A CHANCE! Nice, respectable, clean-cut SBM, 24, 677, athletic build, N/S, seeks woman, 21-60, N/S, for friendship, possible romance. **2259122**

EASY-GOING and straight-forward DWM, 67, 5'10", 175lbs retired city-planner, thoroughly enjoys read-ing, coffee-houses, all cuisines, autos, blues and blue-grass music. ISO SF who is com-passionate and attractive, 50-68, race open. C 246484

VERY GOOD COOK

Honest, down-to-earth, real BM, 6'3°, 235lbs, nice build, bald, enjoys cuddling and romance. Looking for a beautiful female to spend time with and get to know. 2260569

OUTGOING GUY BM, 6', 227lbs, likes laughing and having fun. Looking for a BF, 25-35, who is honest and real, for dating. **\$260759**

LET'S HAVE FUN

LET'S HAVE FUN Male, 32, likes hanging out at home, mov-ies, dining out and more. Looking for a slim, attractive female, 23-39, for dating, possibly more. **2261842**

SEXY BM SEEKS SEXY BF

Young SBM, 24, N/S, seeks fun, vibrant wom-an, 18-32, N/S, for sports, hanging out, music, having fun. 2266318

ARE YOU THE ONE FOR ME? ARE YOU THE ONE FOR ME? Single, middle-aged male seeks SWF for casual dating. She should be attractive, pe-tite, financially independent. Prefer Oakland County. 37266732

HARD-WORKING SBM, 20, 5'6", slim build, N/S, seeks BF, 20-26, for friendship, possible romance. Call me! 12269003

EASYGOING GUY Funny SWM, 25, N/S, no children, likes cuddling, laughing, and being there tor the woman in my life. Seeking similar SF, 18-40. **2**270261

ARE YOU MARRIAGE-MINDED?

ARE YOU MARKINGGE-MINDED? SBPM, 52, 6*, 2001bs, athletic build, salt-n-pepper hair, enjoys travel, exercise, music; cooking, romance, walks, deep conversation, more. Seeking independent, savy, supportive, intelligent SBPF, 45-60, who seeks a monog-pergeum chickney in a 2723273 amous relationship. 2273373

LOOKING FOR THE "ONE" SWM, 61, 5'9", 170lbs, blond/blue, degreed, veteran, N/S, N/D, Catholic, humorous, spontaneous, like music, outdoors, sports, seeks attractive, easy going SWF 45-65. 2278705 HOW ABOUT THIS ONE

Sociable SM, 57, 57", graying brown/blue, mustache, loves music, cooking, Italian food, reading, writing action and romance films, quality conversation nd romance: ISO good-hearted, creative, WF to share these. 7923744 2223744

VANILLA SEEKING CHOCOLATE Call me if you desire a nice shape, SWM, blue-eyed blonde, 50-year-old, 180lbs, de-sires SBF for friendship and definitely ro-mance F572855 mance. 1672855

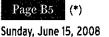
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Mark Thompson, who has epilepsy, stands with one of his golf clubs in the backyard of his Canton home.

Advocating for people with epilepsy

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN O&E STAFF WRITER

The minute the camera's flash went off Mark Thompson fell backwards. If someone didn't know the 15-year-old Canton boy had epilepsy they might just think he was fooling around. But epilepsy is a serious disorder and that's why his mother, Carol, thinks pharmacies should consult the patients and their physicians before switching from a brand medication to a generic or from one generic to another.

Two bills in the Michigan House (HB 5077) and Senate (SB 926) would require approval before a change is made in medication for the neurological disorder caused by a misfire in electrical functions of the brain. Epilepsy affects 100,000



Dr. Brien Smith

backwards at patients. A special task force at the American Epilepsy Society has been set up to look at these patients

Foundation works to eliminate stigma of disorder

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN **O&E STAFF WRITER**

Epilepsy changes every aspect of a person's life when uncontrolled, including the ability to hold a job, drive a car, or just be seen as normal. Mark Thompson wants to be treated like a regular kid who enjoys playing golf, pool, Wii, and fishing at his grandfather's cottage near Jackson. Arlene Gorelick and the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan are working to make that a reality. "The stigma isn't as great as it used to be, but it is (there) and especially for kids it can be difficult," said Gorelick, the nonprofit's president. Everybody knows somebody with epilepsy. They just might not know it. At the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan we want people to live their dreams. We do a lot of education, have a camp for kids. Many of these kids have never seen another kid with epilepsy. We try to make it easier for people to live in the com-

to Gorelick. Over the years new drugs were developed as well as epilepsy surgery. Dr. Brien Smith is about to start a study at Henry Ford Hospital on NeuroPace, the latest implantable device that monitors electrical activity in the brain and delivers stimulation when a seizure is detected.

There's new improvements every day," said Smith. "There's hope for the future, three to four new agents coming out in the next year or two."

In the meantime the

This Father's Day, help dad stay healthy

The best gift this Father's Day can't be found on store shelves or through an online retailer-it's the gift of life. With approximately 64.3 million fathers in America, Father's Day provides a great opportunity to educate the men in our lives about their greatest health risks.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the top five causes of death in American men are heart disease, cancer, accidental injuries, stroke, and chronic lower respiratory disease - most of which are either preventable or treatable if caught early. This year, share the following tips with dad from the Prostate Cancer Education Council, a national nonprofit dedicated to raising awareness on prostate cancer and men's health (www.prostateconditions.org). It just might help keep him happy, healthy and celebrating many more Father's Days for years to come.

Heart Disease: The number one cause of death in American men, dad's risk can be reduced by making healthier lifestyle choices and taking care of conditions that can increase his risk of heart disease including high blood pressure, high cholesterol and diabetes. Encourage dad to eat right, maintain a healthy weight, give up smoking, and get regular check ups (blood pressure, cholesterol, etc.).

. Cancer: Early detection is imperative to fight this cause of death among men. Screenings have been shown to be effective in finding cancer early particularly for prostate cancer. Often treat-

able if detected early, there are frequently no signs or symptoms of the disease at its earliest stages making screening essential to save lives. If dad is 45 years or older or 40 years of age with high risk factors, the Prostate Cancer Education Council advises that dad keep screening on his yearly to-do list.

Accidental Injuries: Motor vehicle, poisoning, falls and drowning accidents are among those most common causes of fatal unintentional injury to men. While accidents can happen any time, we need to encourage dad to take safety measures whether driving, at home or in the workplace.

Stroke: While nearly threequarters of all strokes occur in people over age 65, they can and do occur at any age. While you can't control some stroke risk factors such as family history, age and race, you can encourage dad to control the leading cause, high blood pressure, as well as other contributing factors such as smoking and diabetes.

Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease: Refers to ongoing diseases that affect the lower respiratory tract including the lungs. One of the most serious and prevalent forms is chronic obstructive pnlmonary disease (COPD) which includes emphysema and chromic bronchitis. The main cause of COPD is smoking and men who smoke are 12 times as likely to die of COPD compared to men who've never smoked. This year, help Dad quit smoking, avoid second hand smoke and minimize exposure to workplace chemicals to reduce his risk for COPD.

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

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Natural Solutions To Allergies 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 18, at Livonia Civic Center Library, 3rd floor, 32777 Five Mile, between Merriman & Farmington Rds. Guest speaker, Dr. William H. Karl, D.C. No charge but seating is limited. Call (734) 425-8588 to register.

com. Volunteers needed

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 on epilepsy and camp procedures Saturday, June 28. Free room/board.

people in Michigan including 30,000 children.

Anything that startles Mark can cause a seizure. A freshman. Mark has been confined to a wheelchair at Plymouth High School to prevent any further injuries from falling. The incidents started happening in November around the time one of his epilepsy medications was switched. Carol can't say for sure if the change caused the falls because Mark struggles with cerebral palsy as well as the effects of a stroke as a baby, but she's backing the bills.

"People go to doctors for medical expertise," said Carol Thompson. "Why should second and third parties get involved?"

EXPERT VIEWS

Dr. Brien Smith has seen how an unauthorized switch in epilepsy medication can affect a patient. As chairman of government and legal affairs for the Epilepsy Foundation of America, he has met with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) three times in Maryland to voice his concerns: Smith writes about the bills in A Call to Action, an Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan publication. He has been treating epilepsy patients 18 years and is concerned because at least four antiepileptic drugs become available in generics in the next 12 months and although the FDA advertises the drugs as safe that isn't always true. Patients stable for years or months can suddenly have seizures.

"For the most part probably 90 percent of the patients I treat can make the switch but we should be educating them that there is some risk that's a real concern," said Smith, a neurologist and medical director of the Comprehensive Epilepsy Program at Henry Ford Hospital's neurology department.

When the FDA approves a generic drug they test the blood in healthy volunteers. They only accept prospective randomized trials looking

to challenge the equation the FDA's been using. When a drug goes to a generic 10 companies can make it so patients could actually have a blood level change 10-14 percent in a month. There can be serious consequences of having a major seizure in the wrong place at the wrong time."

ADVOCACY

Smith is putting together an epilepsy advocacy group to battle lobbyists opposing the identical bills. Currently HB 5077 sponsored by state Rep. John Espinoza, D-Croswell, is in the Health Policy Committee. Jack Cardinal, a legislative aide in Espinoza's Lansing office, said they're "very optimistic we'll get a hearing." The bill was introduced in the last legislative session and reintroduced this session.

Arlene Gorelick is working Smith, Espinoza, and state Sen. John Gleason, D-Flushing, who sponsored SB 926. As president of the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan in Southfield, Gorelick has seen the improvements in epilepsy treatment in the last 19 years. The foundation started 60 years ago as the Epilepsy Clinic. In 1994 when health systems like Henry Ford, the Detroit Medical Center and the University of Michigan began developing comprehensive epilepsy centers, the nonprofit decided to give their practice to the Henry Ford system and focus on advocacy and helping people with the neurological disorder.

"Doctors spend a lot of time getting the right drug to control their seizures without making them toxic. They're very powerful drugs," said Gorelick. "There are at least 40 different syndromes which respond better to different drugs. One formulation to another may not act the same. Epilepsy is life threatening. It can cause sudden death. I heard one story of a woman who had a seizure in the bathtub and drowned."

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munity. "People still don't like to talk about it, but I have noticed a change especially in young people.'

Thompson, 15, of Canton enjoys golfing, and was on the Wildcats team at Plymouth High School until falling and breaking a finger. He struggles with seizures while physicians try to find the right combination of drugs to treat the epilepsy. He's currently on three medications plus a special diet high in fat, low in carbs.

Six decades ago there were only one or two medications to treat the disorder and many people with epilepsy were sent to state hospitals, according

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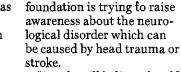
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Talk to other moms

who have been there.

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"People still believe the old wives tales that someone can swallow their tongue. They can't," said Gorelick. "People break teeth and jaws so don't put anything in their mouth. If you see someone having a convulsion do very little but what is required to keep them safe. We recommend putting them on their side so they can breathe better. They might be disoriented so don't grab them.

"Most seizures don't last long. Over five minutes they need to call someone (for help)."

For more information about the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan, call (800) 377-6226 or visit www.epilepsymichigan.org.

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People's medical college

Stay Hip and Active presentation on Birmingham Hip Resurfacing System June 21, at MSU Management Center, 811 W. Square Lake Rd., Troy. Pre-registration required, Call (888) DMC-2500 or visit www.dmc.org/peoplesmedicalcollege. Golf benefit

The 2008 Gray's Reef Golf Classic that raises money each year for Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan (CLF) is scheduled for Monday, June 23, at Oakland University, Rochester Hills with a 12:30 p.m. shotgun start, the day includes continental breakfast, 18 holes of golf with a cart, lunch at Meadowbrook Hall, open bar, silent auction, prizes and dinner. For more information or to register for the Grays Reef Golf Classic, call (248) 353-8222 or visit www.leukemiamichigan.org. Win the weight game

An alternative to dieting will be presented 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, June 24, at the Community House, 380 South Bates, Birmingham. Fee is \$24. Through this program, participants learn how to develop a moderate approach to eating and exercise and acquire skills to be trim and healthy for a lifetime. To register, (248) 644-5832. For more information, call (248) 828-7333 or visit www.thinktrim. For information/application, visit www. epilepsymichigan.org, call (800) 377-6226, option 1, Ext. 231 or send e-mail to sdarroch@epilepsymichigan.org

UPCOMING

Summer camp

The Health Exploration 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. Cost S169. For information, call (734) 398-7518. Active older adults workshop

Learn about issues such as medical considerations, orthopedic concerns and the normal effects of aging on exercise and health 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 16, at Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. To register, call Julie Burt at (734) 394-5460 or online at www. netafit.org.

Vinyasa yoga

8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 17, Vinyasa yoga blends strength and flexibility training emphasizing power, precision, timing, grace and coordination, at Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. To register, call Julie Burt at (734) 394-5460 or online at www.netafit.org.



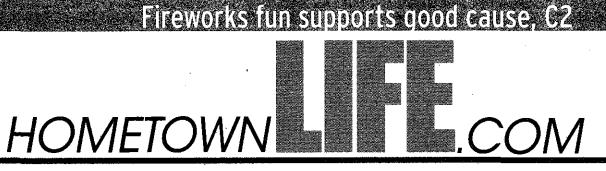
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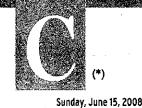
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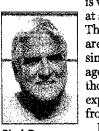
One theory on how the mind works

Jears ago, I found myself in my first brain cutting class at U-M's Neuropsychology Department. I found that slicing the brain was like cutting into a substance such as meatloaf. It seemed rather fragile. The instructor pointed out the frontal lobe, the temporal lobe, etc., but I wondered, and asked naively, "Where is the mind?"

The instructor taught me that the mind is what the brain does. He used the analogy that the mind is to the brain as breathing is to the lungs. The mind and breathing are the functions of the brain and the lungs, respectively. One cannot see either, except on a cold day when one exhales and proclaims, "I can see my breath." But no such luck on the visibility of the mind, cold day or otherwise.

Sigmund Freud has often been misquoted and thus misunderstood in the translations of his volumes of writings from German to English. However, he originated, by observing people reveal their thoughts to him without reservation (free association), a theory of what the mind is and how it works.

Freud postulated that the mind is made up of two general areas. These are the conscious and the unconscious. The first

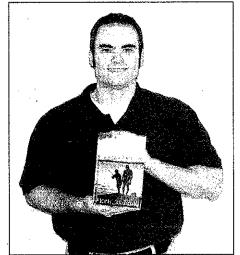


is what we are aware of at any given moment. The latter is what we are unaware of and is similar to a hidden storage area where memories, thoughts, feelings and experiences are stored from birth onward. Freud further wrote

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that there are three main components to the con-Len McCulloch scious and unconscious.

These were termed the id, the ego and the super ego (although he never used these words, mistranslations have left us with them). Actually you could call them anything, even X, Y and Z. Now, what follows below is a very oversimplified explanation of very complex phenomena, since the brain/mind is arguably the most complex thing we know of that exists in



Eric Tomei lists hundreds of reasons for missing his dad in a new book.

Father's Day brings back memories of life lessons

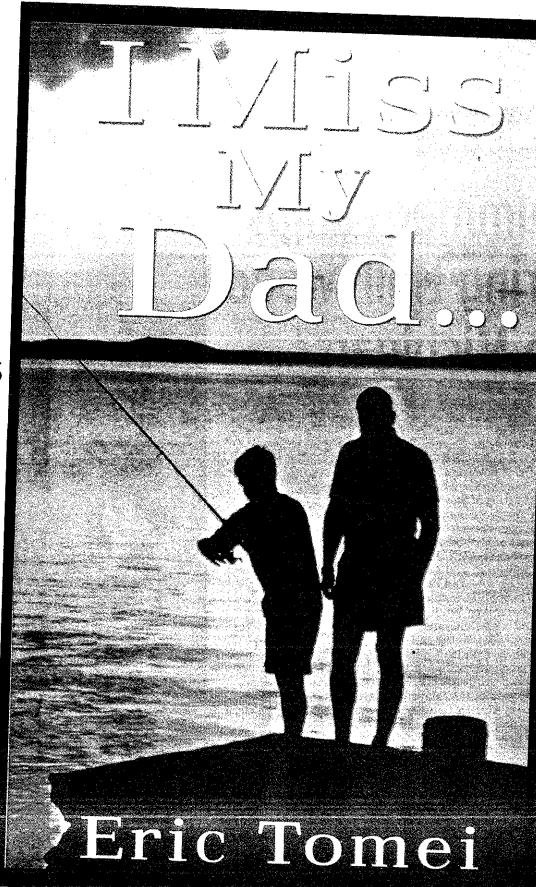
BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Eric Tomei is especially looking forward to continuing his tradition of paying tribute to his late father by competing in the Plymouth YMCA Father's Day Run which raises money for scholarships for kids.

This year is extra special because he's sharing all the lessons learned from his dad in a new book. Tomei never mentions the name of his father in I Miss My Dad. He wants readers to relate to the words of wisdom as if they'd heard them from their loved one. Dads from Farmington Hills to Birmingham seem to spout the same type of rhetoric like "the only person who can make you happy is yourself."

Tomei grew up in Canton and eventually went on to become a physical therapist. Today the 32-year-old Rochester man is giving back just as his father did. The two began volunteering together for Habitat for Humanity about 20 years ago. Fifteen percent from the \$15 price of the self-published book goes to the nonprofit to build houses for those in need. Tomei set a goal to raise \$1 million.

"Habitat for Humanity was my dad's favorite charity. He volunteered about every other year. When he retired from bis engineering job in Westland he was going to help more. I can't think of a better way to honor his memory than to raise a lot of money for a charity he loved," said Tomei. "The greatest lesson I learned from my dad was always try to do the right thing, always try to genuinely help people. It doesn't take any more effort to have a big dream than a small dream. I've calculated the exact amount of books I need to sell to meet that goal, 444,445 books." Even the cause of his father's death has inspired Tomei. His dad died from a heart attack due to advanced cardiovascular disease at age 57 leaving behind his wife of 36 years and Tomei and his two sisters. Tomei uses the foreword of the book to remind dads to go to the doctor for a checkup and to take care of themselves. Tomei's dad had annual physical exams but never exercised and had "irregular eating habits." "It is an important part of the book for me. If it can impact one person's life then it's an accomplishment for me," said Tomei, who graduated in 1993 from Plymouth Canton High School. This is Tomei's first book. In elementary school he always came in last in young author competitions and vowed one day he would write a book. Tomei started writing I Miss



My Dad one night in May 2006 when

our universe, perhaps, with one exception - that being our soul.

The id is likened to an energy source of basic instincts, drives and motivations of which we are unaware. The ego can be thought of as the rational part of the mind which helps tame impulses and gives us resources such as memory, reason and the ability to learn and become socialized. The super ego (or conscience) is a source of parental and/or societal regulation which the ego and id use to determine right from wrong or moral from immoral.

When Freud was asked to define mental health, he said it was a balance of these three parts of the mind so as to allow a person relative satisfaction/success in the worlds of work and love. Mental disorder then is the product of trauma and/or other experiences which leads to an imbalance. This usually shows itself as conflict and disturbance of thoughts, feelings and behavior.

Psychoanalytic treatment was created by Freud to be a method of education of one's self, with the aid of an analytic therapist to understand how one's mind works, what its "parts" are and how to use this self-knowledge to resolve disorders of thought, feeling and behavior which lead to emotional sufferiug.

So, back to my brain cutting class. Although I could not have my instructor show me, in physical form, the location of the human mind and its theoretical divisions of conscious and unconscious, id, ego and super ego, I was able to accept the abstract existence and conceptual nature of the human mind and, thus, of mental health and illness. It made more sense after lengthy, further study and also seemed to explain how other theoretical frameworks which are non-analytic work.

It has been said that you can't repair something without understanding how it works and how it was injured. So, you see, this analytic theory of the mind gives us an invaluable framework or guideline upon which we can fall back on in our understanding of this most complex part of us: how our mind works, how it gets hurt and how it is subject to the forces of disorganization and the restorative process of reorganization.

Len McCulloch is a diplomate of The American Psychotherapy Association, and credentialed in mental health, substance abuse, brain injury and social work. His monthly column "Our Mental Health," is in its seventh year with the Observer & Eccentric and other publications. He can be reached about his writing at (248) 476-9329.

couldn't sleep and decided to take a pen and notebook and write all the constructive ways his father influenced his life. It was a way of coming to terms with the loss.

"I really miss my dad. He loved to build things, loved to work outside. He loved to build structures," said Tomei. "I want to carry out that legacy. It's important for me to make sure that legacy continues."

On Tuesday, Jim St. Louis and Paul Bersche were reminiscing about their fathers just before lunch at Big Apple Bagels in downtown Farmington. They have passed on lessons learned from their dads to their children.

"My dad taught us to love God, one another and our mom was the queen of the household," said Bersche of Farmington Hills. Bersche was one of four sons. His father died 34 years ago. "He taught us love and respect, obedience, the value of following authority. We worked hard together and played hard together. All of the sons were athletes. He had been an athlete. We played golf together. That's where all the conversations took place, lessons of life, plans for the future."

St. Louis still remembers the road trip he took with his father many years ago when the family moved from Florida to Michigan. His father had sent St. Louis's mom and sisters ahead.

"He taught me the value of family. He was a strong leader but shared the role equally with my mom," said St. Louis, who learned to fish from his father who died 24 years ago. St. Louis, a Farmington Hills resident, will spend Father's Day fishing in Copper Harbor.

Charlotte O'Hare is looking forward to doing all the things she likes to do with her dad Thomas on Father's Day. The 4-yearold little girl and her father were visiting his mother who lives in Farmington. The father and daughter duo live in Hemmingford, Quebec.

"I like to catch turtles and butterflies and ride bikes and jump on the trampoline," said Charlotte.

Thomas said it takes a lot of energy to be a single dad. That's one of the lessons he's learning the hard way.

"It takes sleep deprivation and endless patience when you're tired," said Thomas Hemmingford as he swooped the love of his life into his arms and headed for one of the . stores in downtown Farmington.

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Gardens provide plenty of inspiration

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Big White opens his big mouth the minute he sees Bernie Kaselmas coming with his strawberry fishy treats. The two-foot long koi is not alone. About 70 of the colorful creatures rise to the top of the pond, one of three in the Livonia backyard designed and tended by Kaselmas and Rose Carpenter. The couple has been working on this peaceful oasis since moving into their home in 1990. It is one of seven gardens on a walk to raise funds for the restoration and preservation of Greenmead Historical Park Saturday, June 21.

In 1997, Kaselmas and Carpenter won the Detroit Free Press competition for the Most Beautiful Backyard. Hnmans aren't the only ones who find the garden attractive. Until two weeks ago the koi pond

was covered with net to discourage the Great Blue Heron who likes to dine there. Yard art scattered throughout the 100-by-200-foot lot is whimsical but serves a purpose. A giant Nemo fish swimming above another pond keeps the ducks out.

"This is the cottage I don't have Up North," said Carpenter. "It's so relaxing just to come back here."

The couple doesn't spend much time sitting though. Every evening after returning from their Electronics Connection business in Westland, the two work in the garden pulling weeds and thinning plants. One pond is filled with water hyacinths which filter the water but can become invasive over the summer.

"We try to do everything as naturally as possibly, earth friendly," said

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James Dixon of Livonia talks about his backyard garden which will be part of the upcoming Garden Walk to benefit Greenmead Historical Park.

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Benefit a chance to view fireworks high above the river

LINDA ANN CHOMIN **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Jim Vella couldn't be more excited about catching the fireworks with Cass Community Social Services Monday, June 23, at Coach Insignia on the 71st and 72nd floors of the Renaissance Center in Detroit. Not only does the event provide a great view of the international spectacular with more than 10,000 pyrotechnic effects, but raises money for the nonprofit that provides food, housing and medical services for those in need.

"It's a great place to watch the fireworks protected from the weather

CATCH THE FIREWORKS WITH CASS

What: A fun evening with fireworks, gourmet food, and silent and live auctions to benefit Cass Community Social Services

When: 6 p.m. Monday, June 23 Where: Coach Insignia on floors 71 and 72 of the Renaissance Center, Detroit Tickets: \$250. Call (313) 883-2277 or visit www.casscommunity.org

and whatever else comes along, a great venue for watching the fire-

works on the river," said Vella, a Canton resident who's co-chairing the benefit this year with Andrea Long.

Vella is also president of the Ford Motor Co. fund, one of the sponsors of the fun evening. Vella leads all philanthropic and community service-related activities including coordinating volunteer efforts by Ford employees and all activities of the Ford Motor Co. Fund, a separate philanthropic organization funded mainly by Ford Motor Co. profits.

'The Ford fund supports a lot of organizations in and around southeastern Michigan. Especially in these difficult times the need is growing,' said Vella. "Cass Community Social Services not only help folks with basic needs but to get back on their feet. In the next 6 to 8 weeks they're turning an abandoned apartment building into homes for homeless moms and their children and trains them to get a job and get back on their feet."

In addition to the gourmet strolling dinner with open bar and fabulous desserts the event includes silent and live auction items to raise money. Vella grew up in southwest Detroit near Holy Redeemer Catholic Church and believes his charitable work is a way of giving

back which he does regularly by serving on the boards of the Henry Ford Heart and Vascular Institute, New Detroit and Detroit Renaissance, Detroit Public Television, United Way for Southeastern Michigan, The Henry Ford Academy, University of Michigan-Dearborn, and the University Musical Society in Ann Arbor.

"It's also a good way to be a role model for the younger generation," said Vella. "Some day one of the them will be in my chair."

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Summer camps bring Hollywood to Michigan

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Christopher Barbeau loves to watch kids learning the right way to jump and fall at the Summer Stunt Camp put on by Ring of Steel Action Theatre, a nonprofit student organization of the University of Michigan.

This year's sessions, June 23-27, July 21-25, and Aug. 25-29 for ages 8-12 and 12-18 include not only swordplay, falling and rolling, but light saber and whip skills, and fighting for film. At the end of each session students present a production spotlighting skills they developed. This

and safe fashion to protect

SUMMER STUNT CAMPS

What: Learn the secrets of Hollywood stunts and film making at camps by Ring of Steel **Action Theatre** When: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., June 23-27, July 21-25, and Aug. 25-29 Where: Student Theatre Arts Complex, University of Michigan Athletic Campus, Ann Arbor Cost: \$275 for first child, \$225 for each additional child. Call (734) 320-1147, send e-mail to rosteel@umich.edu or visit www. ringofsteeel.org/camp/.

fessional stunt equipment,



Kids learn all about safe sword play at stunt camps put on by Ring of Steel.

Classical Repertory Theater, and Village Shakespeare Festival. He has performed tor for 4 years. In total Barbeau has choreographed more than 350 different shows and 13 feature films, holds a third degree black belt in aikido, and has mul-



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Bernie Kaselmas and Rose Carpenter enjoy the gardens and ponds behind their Livonia home.

Cultural center to host tango and Finnish dance Friday

The Finnish Cultural Center presents an Argentine Tango and Finnish Dance on Friday, June 20, following a fish fry at the center, 35200 W. Eight Mile, Farmington Hills.

The fish fry begins at 5 p.m. and runs to 7 p.m. with dancing afterwards. The cost is \$20. Music is live and recorded. Instruction and demonstration available.

For reservations and information, call (248) 478-6939 or visit www.finnishcenter.org.

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Carpenter. "We were green before green was in. Tadpoles eat the ants. We have no mosquitoes because fish eat them. We use coffee grounds around plants."

"You learn a lot of stuff over the years by trial and error," said Kaselmas.

James Dixon says he doesn't think his garden is ever going to be done. He began working on his back yard in 1993. The large park-like area contained only two spruce trees and a viburnum bush back then. Today two ponds and a waterfall offer a place to rest under the towering spruce.

"I saw a space but the trees were to the ground and space wasted and I reclaimed the area," said Dixon, who does most of the gardening. His wife spends her time painting watercolors. "I like the way it's coming now. I just keep working on it."

Over the years, Dixon has added 53 trees. Plantings come and go. Last winter, he lost eight roses and needs to replace the bushes. Dixon credits Crimboli Nursery in Canton for not only providing all of the greenery but advice. He makes use of every inch of space. Tomato plants grow between the young evergreens. Another area boasts pots of petunias and herbs. Dixon loves to cook almost as much as he loves to garden. When he isn't working in his Michigan garden, Dixon tends his son's tropical plants in Florida.

Janet Bennett invited Dixon to be on the Livonia walk because she likes the paths, rocks and plantings scattered throughout the back yard. The Kaselmas and Carpenter garden was on the walk in 1997 and has literally grown into a northern retreat. "We have some pretty yards," said Bennett, president of Friends for the Development of Greenmead which hosts the walk. "One in Rosedale is very charming. One started a garden in front because she didn't like mowing down into the ditch so she planted orange day lilies and then began expanding year after year. Another woman dug her own fish pond. There's some really interesting places to see.

"I'm especially excited because shortly after the walk we are going to have a luncheon and present our check for \$25,000 (from the Friends for the Development of Greenmead) for the restoration of the old Hill House. We also contributed \$1,000 to Greenmead recently for the purchase of trees and landscaping."

The Greenmead gardens will also be on the walk.

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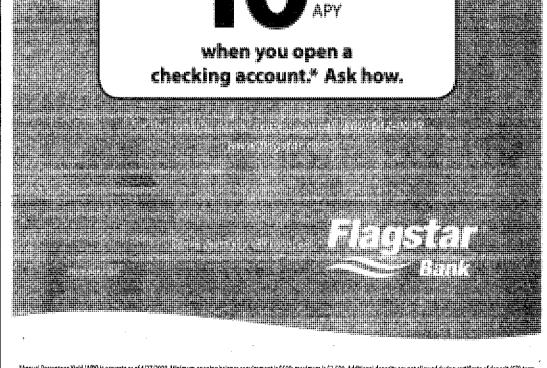
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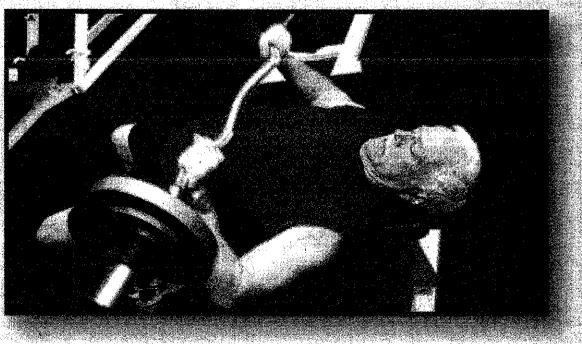
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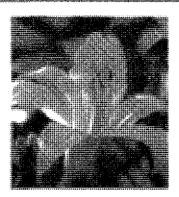
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Five generations

Irene E. Blaharski, 94, center, of Westland, is the anchor for five generations of the Blaharski family. Counter-clockwise are her son, Don Blaharski, 72, of Livonia; his son, Robert Blaharski, 49, of Holland; his son, Joseph Blaharski, 23, of Kalamazoo; and Joseph's daughter, Anya J. Blaharski, six months.



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THOMAS J. ATKINSON June 10, 2008 of Sarasota and longtime resident of Bloomfield Hills. Beloved husband of the late Thelma. Loving father of Gerald (Sally), Terry and Christopher (Grace). Dearest grandfather - "Bepa" of Sarah, Paige, Emily, Antonio, Alex and Gabriela Brother of Muriel Kort and Aileen Graswick. Memorial Mass Monday liam at St. Regis Church, 3695 Lincoln at Lahser, Bloomfield Hills. A.J. Desmond & Sons 248-549-0500 View obituary and share memories at:

www.DesmondFuneralHome.com

ROBERT W. SWIRLES

FRANCES K. REES June 12, 2008, age 83. Beloved wife of the late Alfred. Loving mother of Dan (Scott Fortner). Dear friend to many. Family will receive friends at A.J. Desmond & Sons (Vasu, Rodgers & Connell Chapel), 32515 Woodward Ave. (btwn 13-14 Mile) Sunday 3-8pm. Funeral Mass Monday 10am at Holy Name Church, 630 Harmon @ by his first wife, Elsie. Woodland, Birmingham. Visitation begins at church 9:30am. Memorial tributes to The Capuchins or The Judson Center. View obituary and

share memories at: www.DesmondFuneralHome.com



Age 82, formerly of Redford Twp., passed away on May 22nd in Port Charlotte, Florida. Robert was retired from the US Postal Service where he was manger of the Redford station on Plymouth Road. He is survived by his beloved wife Patricia; son Gordon and family. He was preceded in death

BYRNECE VIVIAN

Age 87 of Canton, June 10, 2008. Wife of the late Douglas. Beloved mother of Cheryl (Ron) Miller and Jesse (Andrea) Vivian. Loving grand-mother of Rachael (Danny) Peake, Matthew and Christopher Vivian. Preceded in death by granddaughter Rebecca Miller. Proud great-grandmother of Eli Peake. Byrnece was a graduate of Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids. She was a registered nurse in various settings but especial ly loved camp nursing at O'Fairwinds Girl Scout Camp. She was active at Hurley Hospital Auxiliary, Unity Christian Church and other communi-ty centers in the Flint area. She loved her church, traveling and playing cards. She will be missed by many family and friends. The Vivian family would like to thank the staff of Waltonwood at Carriage Park, St. Joseph Hospital & Hospice, and the clergy from St. Michael's Lutheran and St. John's Episcopal. A memorial service will be held at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S Sheldon Rd, ymouth at 11 AM on June 21. Memorial contributions may be made to the Hurley Hospital Foundation, 1 Hurley Plaza, Flint, MI 48503. To share a memory, please visit:



Rever-Magnus

Joseph and Renee Reyer of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Christin Renee Reyer, to Bradley John Magnus, son of William Hanstad-Daley and Megan Magnus or Unicoi, Tenn. An August wedding

is planned for Southside Baptist Tabernacle with a reception to follow at The Woodlands of Van Buren.

The couple will honeymooh in Jamaica and make their home in Johnson City, Tenn.

The future groom also graduated from Liberty University in May 2008. An August wedding is

WEDDING

Sitler-Balish

John and Pamela Sitler of Livonia announce the marriage of their daughter, Ivy Rose Sitler, to Jason Erick Balish.

The wedding took place on Saturday, Sept. 22, 2007, at St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church of Redford.

Ivy is a 2004 graduate of Franklin High School of Livonia. Jason is a 1994 graduate of Thurston High School of Redford. Both currently reside in Dearborn Heights. Jason's parents are Jacqueline Balish and the late Jack Balish.

Jason and Ivy met at Riverside Arena of Livonia, which is where he proposed to her. Ivy's parents also met at Riverside Arena.

ANNIVERSARY

Martins celebrate 50th

Berkley High School

Planning a 50th Reunion, Sept 19-21,

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At Somerset Inn, 2601 W. Big Beaver

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a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, July 26, 2008,

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Arts, 28500 Avondale, Inkster, cost is

\$15 pre-paid, \$20 day of event. For addi-

tional information and a pre-registra-

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A reunion is being planned for the

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followed by a golf outing. Contact:

June 1958 and January 1959 are invited.

Class of 1958

332-5984.

James and Madeline (Laird) Martin of Livonia are celebrating their 50th anniversary.

The Martins were married June 28, 1958, at St. Cecilia's Catholic Church in Detroit. They have been Livonia residents for 42 years.

They have five sons: Mark (Kim) Martin of Livonia; James (Kristin) Martin of Fowlerville; Paul (Bal) Martin of Falbrooke, Calif.; Matthew (Wendie) Martin of Fowlerville; and,

ENGAGEMENTS

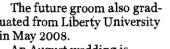
McGuire-Buchanan

Steve and Lori McGuire of Garden City announce the engagement of their daughter, Megan Mary Theresa McGuire, to Matthew Brady Buchanan, son of Buck and Diana Buchanan of Mount Pleasant.

Megan is a graduate of Central Michigan University with a bachelor's degree in early childhood development. She is currently employed at Gretchen's House in Ann Arbor as a preschool teacher. Matt graduated from Saginaw Valley State University with a bachelor's degree in business manage-

Marlin and Sue Hanstad of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Louis Hanstad to Joseph Alan Daley, son of Paul and Lisa Daley of Cameron, N.C. The bride-to-be graduated

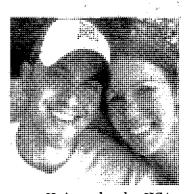
from Salem High School in 2004 and received a bachelor's degree from Liberty University in Lynchburg, Va., in May 2008.











ment. He is employed at HGA group in Brighton as a project coordinator.

Megan and Matt are planning a September wedding in Plymouth. They will be honeymooning in Aruba.



planned in Plymouth. The couple will reside in Chesapeake, Va.

ERIK T. JOHNSTON August 1, 1971-June 7, 2008

Beloved son of Claud T. Johnston and the late Linda Johnston of Westland. Brother of Kris Barrett (Andy), Uncle to Chad, Rebecca and Linda. Private Family Service to be held in Portsmouth, Ohio.



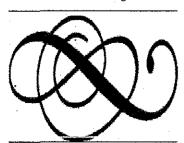
ALICE A. JONES

Passed away June 12, 2008, age 78 of Loving wife of the late Canton. Dear mother of Robert Robert. (Becky), Carol, Janet (Larry) Peruski, Gary (Betsy), Tom (Laura), and Mary (David) Coleman. Proud grandmother of 13. Dear sister of Peter Moore. Visitation Sun 3-9pm at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 W Ann Arbor Rd, Plymouth (btwn Sheldon & Beck). In state Mon. 10am until 10:30am Funeral Mass at St. John Neumann Church, 44800 Warren Rd, Canton. Interment Riverside Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimers Association. To share a memory, go to:

www.vermeulenfuneralhome.com **KATHLEEN CROWE** (Price) McAFEE

A lifelong resident of Rochester, died on June 6 at the age of 83. Wife of the late James McAfee and Neil Crowe. Survived by her brother William Price of Troy; daughters Kathleen Crowe of Newton, MA, Cinthia Crowe Miller of Centreville, VA, Pamela Crowe of Dryden, and Lauri Crowe Kowalski of Roswell, GA; son Blair Crowe of Marietta, GA; stepson Daniel McAfee of Tavernier, FL; stepdaughter Kathleen Scholtz of Grand Haven; and 11 grandchildren. Memorial service on Tuesday, June 17, 11:30 a.m., at the Rochester Community House, 816 Ludlow Ave. In lieu of flowers, please consider memorial contributions to the Community Foundation of Greater Rochester or the University of Michigan Cardiovascular Center, Ann Arbor. Please sign Kathleen's online guestbook at:

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NANCY ANN RICHARD

Age 73, of Bear Lake, a long-time journalist, publicist and civic worker. died Tuesday, June 10, 2008 in Munson Hospice, Traverse City, after a short bout with stomach cancer. She was born August 27, 1934 in Benton Harbor, the daughter of Harry P. and Adelia (Radesky) Jeschke, graduated from St. Joseph public schools and Benton Harbor Community College, and attended the University of Michigan. She also attended the Interlochen Arts Academy. She worked until 1962 for the old St. Joseph Herald-Press as a reporter and section editor. On June 10, 1961, she was married to Tim Richard, who survives. From 1962-67, she spent about five years at Kalamazoo College in two jobs - a news bureau writer and administrator in the foreign study office, making students' travel arrangements. When the couple moved to Livonia, she was a publicist for the Clarenceville School District, handling public information for its popular jazz series with name bands like Stan Kenton and Buddy Rich. Later she served on the board of the Livonia Symphony Orchestra, chairing the Young Artists Competition. Many winners became professional musicians, and one became a first chair in the New York Philharmonic Orchestra. After they retired to Bear Lake in 1999, she joined the Lioness Club and served as president. She served on the 2007 Bear Lake Days Committee and on the Lioness arts and crafts exhibit panel. Her most recent project was to chair the Dog-Gondest Doggie contest during Bear Lake Days. She said the inspiration came from their Australian Shepherd, Chester, who thought people should have more fun activities with their dogs. Surviving besides her husband are a brother, James (Linda) Jeschke, and a nephew, Drew Jeschke, all of St. Joseph; and several cousins scattered around the country. Nancy enjoyed foreign travel, visiting England, Scotland, the Netherlands, Germany, Austria, Hungary, the Czech Republic, Greece, Italy, France, Malta, Ecuador, Peru, Argentina, Chile and Thailand. Cremation has taken place. No memorial service is scheduled. Memorial contributions in Nancy's name may be made to Homeward Bound Animal Shelter, PO Box 144, Manistee, MI 49660. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Oak

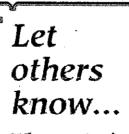
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In Memory Of



IN MEMORY OF **ROGER GRZYMALA** Oct. 7, 1943 - June 17, 2006 Happy Father's Day Dad

It's been 2 years since you have been taken away. We think about you everyday. The boys & I remember you in every way! We love you and miss you very much! Love Jennifer, Shane, Ashten & Dakota.



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Christopher (Wendy) Martin of Redford.

They have 16 grandchildren and one greatgrandchild.

Jim and Madeline are the retired owners of Martin's Butcher Block Meats of Farmington and Livonia.

Jim enjoys woodworking projects and Madeline enjoys her Bible study group. Both enjoy spending time with their children and grandchildren.

A dinner out with the whole family is planned.

REUNIONS

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.au.

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 0ct. 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.

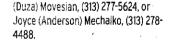
Dearborn Edsel Ford Class of 1968

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: Kayninilu@aol.com or Kathy Shoebridge @ Klivingston@nu-core.com. Class of 1958

A 50-year reunion on Aug. 2, 2008, at Park Place. Reservations only. For information, please contact Marsha



Class of 1988

A 20-year reunion, Friday, Aug. 22, adult gathering at Avenue Bar & Grill, Dearborn. \$25 per person. Saturday Aug. 23, Family Picnic at Ford Field. Dearborn. \$25 per family. For details and to RSVP see www.freewebs.com/fordson88 or e-mail fordsonclassof88@vahoo.com

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.

Detroit 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 mspoterala@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.

Detroit High School of Commerce Class of 1958 January, June and August

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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Camping club looking for Starcraft owners

Are you the proud owner of a Starcraft Camper? The Michigan Chapter of the Starcraft Camping Club has an invitation to join them camping. The club is starting its 40th year of camping, and one of the founding families is still an active member.

The membership covers a range of ages and years involved in the club. There are members who have been camping with the club for 30 years as well as ones that have been with it for two years. Ages run from grandma and grandpa to mom and dad and children ages 7-16. It has several families where parents and children both belong.

The club meets on the third full weekend of the month from April to October, excluding July so that members can attend the International Rally. Dues are \$15 per year and covers the cost of mailing newsletters and other club information to members. There is no limit on how many campouts members must attend during the camping season. They can pick and choose the ones they want to attend.

The club tries to keep our outings at a minimal cost, especially with the rise in gas prices, and reservations typically include water and electric.

There is a Board of Directors which plans the campouts and run the business of the club. They try and spread the campouts throughout the state so that every member can enjoy a short drive to the campground.

The camping schedule for 2008 includes Here is our camping schedule is June 20-22, Krystal Lake in Vassar, \$56; July 14-18, the International Rally in Lebanon, Tenn.; Aug. 15-17, Greenwood Acres in Jackson, \$62; Sept. 19-21, Leisure Lake Campground iu Sumner, \$55, and Oct. 17-19, PJ's Campground in Stockbridge - a Brand X outing so bring a friend that doesn't own a Starcraft -\$55.

If you would like to receive more information, e-mail the club at starcraftcamping@yahoo.com.



CITY OF GARDEN CITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING MONDAY, JUNE 23, 2008 AT 7:00 P.M.

\$26.992 per 1,000 cubic feet

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Garden City Council will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, June 23, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, at the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan. At the hearing, all interested persons shall have an opportunity to be heard.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to solicit public comments on the proposed Water & Sewer Rate Ordinance which is on file and can be viewed in the City Clerk's Office.

publicly-owned treatment works, it is the objective of this section to impose sewage charges which reflect the cost of treating sewage strength factors as well as sewage volume. These charges to commercial and industrial users will be in the form of a payment called a surcharge and will reflect industries equitable costs of wastewater treatment in excess of the strength of the domestic sewage. Sewage charge will be based on a volume rate and surcharged based on volume of discharge and the strength of BOD, suspended solid, phosphorous, fats, oil and grease or other pollutants present in the wastewater. In the event other pollutants are required to be surcharged under this subchapter, authorized variances, or by special arrangements with the owner of the publicly-owned treatment works, the rules and regulations adopted herein will apply, the rules and regulations being on file with the City

Notice of Public Sale of Personal Property.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 4 of the Self Service Storage Facility Act, State of Michigan, PS Orangeco, Inc. and/or Shurgard TRS, Inc. will conduct sale(s) at Public Storage located at 20080 Allen Rd. Trenton, Mi 48183 (734)479-5442 6/27/2008 at 9:30 am. Sales are for cash only. Removal within 24 hours. For sale and storage units in which rent and fees are past due.

Personal property described below in the matter of:

1034- Ricky Lee Nedrow- boxes, bags, totes 512-Janet Pielak-box,bag,tote 156- James Morrow- boxes 214- Jason Wozniak- boxes, bags, totes 216- Shawn Burgess- boxes, bags, totes 219- Ashley's Bar & Grill- shelf, boxes, bags 327- Natalie Rose Chrapko- box, bags, totes 345- Don Smith- box, bag, tote 422- Rikki Manning- mattress, bag, box 525- Loretta McMillon- bike,box,bag 533- Roseanna Lewis- chair, bags, box 538- Kimberly D Miller- box, bag, tote 610- Michael carter- microwave, box, refrigerator 613- Ronald M Blair- tools,box,fan 944- Reginald A Long- box,bag,tote

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Personal property described below in the matter of: 3096- Donald Johnston- box, bag, tote 5097- Rhonda Evans- mattress,dresser,box 2075- Ruth West- grill,dresser,couch 3009- Denise Smithson- boxes, chair, table 3046- Deeanna Eighmey- table,box,bag 3075- Kenneth Phillips- bike, chair, cabinet

- 3076- Mike Sagi- dresser,bag,box 4049- Antoine Williamson- clothes,box,bag
- 4051- Antoine Murry- box, bag, tote
- 5057- Nena Gonzalez- bags,box,mattress
- 6055- Debra Bynum- freezer, boxes, bags
- 6059- Judith Ryan- bike.tools.boxes
- 6091- Donald Faulknor- box,bag,tote 7017- Vikki Hood- box,bag,tote
- 7019- Tiffany Scott- box, bag, tote
- 7028- Michelle Gatlin- box,bag,tote
- 7128- Megan Howard- box,bag,tote
- 7130- Tisha Goree- box,bag,tote

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- 1160- Anise Bankhead- bike, vacuum, keyboard
- 1166-Bonita Brame-bags, boxes, dresser
- 1206- Emmer Davis- bags, boxes, dresser
- 1214- Yameka Rainer- bags, boxes, sofa
- 1224- Sammy Williams Jr- tv,sofa, bedframe
- 1268- Charles Saad- speaker, mattress, boxes
- 1296- Thomas Hibler- boxes.totes.bike
- 1298- Dionne Simms- boxes
- 1338- Kenisha Mabone- bookcase,boxes,sofa 1352- Teya Willis- washer, weights, boxes
- 1360- Scott Ford- bike, tv
- 1412- Jim Diana- bags,boxes,totes
- 1452- Custom Designs By Simon- bags, boxes, totes
- 1468- Linda Riley- sofa, loveseat, vacuum.

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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 53.03 AND 53.04 OF CHAPTER 53 OF TITLE V OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY.

THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY HEREBY ORDAINS:

That Section 53.03 AND 53.04 OF Chapter 53 of Title V of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Garden City be amended to read as follows:

WATER SUPPLY RATES.

(A) Consumption charges. Base rate

(B) Quarterly meter charges (in addition to those in division (A) above).

Meter Size	Quarterly Charge
5/8-inch	\$4.05
5/8 X-inch	\$4.05
3/4-inch	\$4.73
1-inch	\$7.65
1½-inch	\$13.49
2-inch	\$20.11
3-ínch	\$27.00
4-inch	\$32.91
6-inch	\$38.01

Service outside city. Water Supply rates charged for water service to premises outside the city shall be 150% of the rates set forth in divisions (A) and (B), or as may hereafter be established for city water supply service by City Council resolution.

§ SEWAGE DISPOSAL RATES.

(A) Consumption charges.

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- Base rate, including excess sewage \$48.33 per 1,000 cubic feet
- Sewage disposal rates. Charges for sewage disposal service to (B) premises outside the city shall be 150% of the rates set forth in division (A), or as may hereafter be established for city sewage disposal service by City Council resolution.

Industrial waste control charge. All non-residential users shall pay an IWC charge based on meter size. This is a flat rate without regard to consumption. The following rates shall apply.

Meter Size	Monthly Charge	Quarterly Charge	
5/8-inch	\$6.69	\$20.07	
3/4-inch	\$10.04	\$30.12	
1 inch	\$16.73	\$50.19	
1½-inch	\$36.79	\$110.37	
2-inch	\$53.51	\$160.53	
3-inch	\$96.99	\$290.97	
4-inch	\$133.77	\$401.31	
6-inch	\$200.66	\$601.98	

Industrial waste surcharge. Commercial and industrial users who discharge wastes into the public wastewater system in excess of the strength of normal sewage shall be charged a surcharge which reflects their equitable share of the costs of wastewater treatment. The surcharge shall be determined as follows.

Purpose and objective. This section has as its purpose the protection of public health and safety, and because of the widely varying quality characteristics of the sewage discharged by different users of the public sewer and the

- Authority. This section is adopted pursuant to and in accordance
- with the requirements of Federal Law Clean Water Act, 33 USC 1231 et seq. and applicable Federal Regulations, the requirements of the Settlement Agreement in U.S. v City of Detroit, et al, Civil Action #7-71111.
- Industrial waste pollutant strength surcharges. It is ordained that the Schedule of Industrial Waste Pollutant Strength Surcharges is hereby adopted and made effective for users of the wastewater system of the city. The surcharges are to be computed as follows.

Computation of Industrial Waste Pollutant Strength Surcharge

The industrial waste pollutant strength surcharge shall be computed in accordance with the following formula.

- = 0.0624 V a(BOD-275) + b(TSS-350)+c(P-12)+d(FOG-1100) In which the following apply.
- SC = Pollutant strength surcharge fee in dollars for the billing period in Mcf (1000 cubic feet).
- v = Volume of waste discharged in the billing period in Mcf (1000 cubic feet).
- BOD = Five-day biochemical oxygen demand of the waste expressed in milligrams per liter (ppm).
- TSS = Total suspended solids in the waste expressed in milligrams per liter (ppm).
- = Phosphorus in the waste expressed in milligrams per liter (ppm).
- FOG = Fats, oils, and grease expressed in milligrams per liter (ppm).
- a, b, c, d = Surcharge rates, \$/pound for treating BOD, TSS, P, and FOG respectively.
- 0.0624 = Factor which converts Mcf to MM lbs.
- a = \$.254/pound,

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- b = \$.324/pound.c = \$3.729/pound.
- d =\$.221/pound.

Compliance required. In accordance with the basic service agreement between the city, the county, and the Wayne County Board of Public Works or other properly designated agent of the county named pursuant to M.C.L.A. §§ 46.171 through 46.185, and M.C.L.A. §§ 123.71 et seq., this section provides that any person, firm, or corporation discharging wastewater into the publicly-owned sewer system shall comply with the standards, rules and regulations controlling the quality or quantity of discharge or wastewater into the system. The standards, rules, and regulations shall be established from time to time by the county or its designated agent.

REPEALER.

That Section 53.03 AND 53.04 OF Chapter 53 of Title V of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Garden City and all other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed. Except as herein modified, the said Code shall remain in full force and effect:

SEVERABILITY.

The City of Garden City hereby declares that if any section, paragraph, sentence, or word of this Ordinance hereby adopted be declared for any reason to be invalid, it is intent of the City of Garden City that it would have passed all other portions of this Ordinance independent of the elimination here from such portion as may be declared invalid.

SAVINGS CLAUSE.

That nothing in this Ordinance hereby adopted shall be construed to affect any suit or proceeding pending in any court, or any rights acquired, or liability incurred, or any causes of action acquired or existing, under and act or ordinance hereby repealed as cited in this Ordinance; nor shall any just or legal right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired or affected by this Ordinance.

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED 2008-09 BUDGET

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on June 23, 2008 at 6:45 o'clock in the evening at 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan, the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District will hold a public hearing to consider the district's proposed 2008-09 budgets.

The Board may not adopt its proposed 2008-09 budgets until after the public hearing. A copy of the proposed 2008-09 budgets including the proposed property tax millage rates is available for public inspection during normal business hours at 15125 Farmington Road.

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

This notice is given by order to the Board of Education.

Robert J. Freeman, Secretary

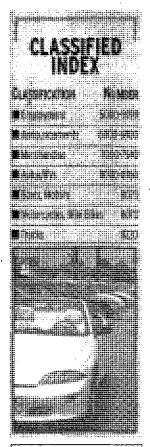
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The 2008 HUMMER H2 has been redesigned to deliver a more refined interior, enhanced safety features and, perhaps the biggest change, a more powerful engine.

General Motors Corp. is putting the 6.2-liter V8 and six-speed automatic transmission from the Cadillac Escalade in the H2 for a much-needed power boost.

The H2 now makes 393 horsepower, an increase of about 20 percent over the previous engine, while actually picking up a few miles in fuel economy at the same time. Towing capacity goes up as well, rising from 6,500 to 8,000 pounds.

These numbers are available thanks to an overall mass reduction by the engine featuring an aluminum cylinder block and by using other lightweight materials

At 6,600 pounds, the H2 is still heavy, though. This is felt when you try to steer this huge beast. It handles like a big boat, so you better know which direction you're going well before you turn the wheel. This kind of handling makes it a bad choice for city driving in which last-second, erratic maneuvers are needed.

But if you buy the H2, chances are you want to utilize its off-road capabilities, which are easily best-inclass. There is a lot of ground clearance and large approach and departure angles meaning climbing over objects like fallen trees is a cinch.

While drivers will the feel same rugged performance on the road, they'll be treated to a more inviting interior than before with a lot of soft-touch surfaces replacing hard plastics of previous models. The interior also features a completely redesigned instrument panel, new door trim panels, new controls and a new rear-seat heating/air conditioning system. Also, a rear HVAC system is now standard.

The 2008 H2, which starts off at \$55,655, now includes a full third row that seats two people, in place of the single seat offered on previous models.

Numerous available comfort and convenience features are either new or carried over into the previous H2, such as a new rear-seat overhead DVD entertainment system, a navigation system and heated windshield washer fluid. OnStar and XM Satellite

The H2 now also offers a remote starting system that enables the vehicle's interior to be heated or



The 2008 HUMMER H2 has a 20 percent more prevarial engine than the previous model. It also has a more refined interior and new standard safety features.

cooled prior to driving.

New standard safety features include head curtain side air bags for first-, second- and third-row passengers with a rollover sensing system and a new traction control system. An electronic stability control system with rollover mitigation technology returns for 2008

The new, anti-lock braking/traction control system, called ABS/TCS, provides optimum control on slippery surfaces. In addition, the ABS can detect and adjust its braking appropriately to rough off-road surfaces like gravel and potholes.

And to offer the best driving style for negotiating a steep, rocky trail, which is one foot on the brake and the other on the gas pedal, the system allows the driver to use the two-foot driving technique. The TCS also includes the ability to gain traction through a single wheel.

A self-leveling rear air spring suspension system is available for extreme off-road and towing requirements.

Also new is a panic brake assist feature, a first for a full-size GM truck or SUV. This system detects emergency braking situations and maintains maximum brake pressure to help stop the vehicle more quickly and with more control.

An additional optional safety feature is HUMMER's Rear Vision System - a rearview camera that can be viewed on the navigation touch screen when backing

On the outside, all 2008 H2 models are set apart from previous models by a bigger grille that features larger openings to accommodate the cooling needs of the more powerful engines. The lower bumpers on 2008 models are now silver instead of black.

The H2 can still perform the same impressive feats as last year's model. Like traveling through streams 2

feet deep, climbing 16-inch steps and rocks and paddling through deep sand or snow.

The H2 SUT is similar to the regular H2, but features an open cargo bed to store larger items. When cargo requires more space, a 4-foot by 6-foot pickup bed can be created by powering the rear window into the Midgate, then folding forward the Midgate and rear seat.

The rear of the SUT's passenger compartment remains upright when four occupants are on board, yet it still provides generous cargo-carrying capacity

True to its outdoor nature, the H2 SUT also offers an open driving experience. At the push of a button, the driver can lower all four side windows and the rear window. And by using a separate switch, the standard sunroof can also be opened, to further the open-air

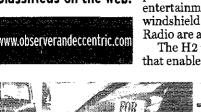
feeling. Official gas mileage stats will not be released as the H2 is a Class 3 truck and is not required to carry an EPA fuel economy rating. However, the improvement is estimated to be 10 percent above the 2007 model's numbers, which are around 11 to 12 miles per gallon.

When a potential buyer is shopping for an \breve{SUV} , the new H2's added power and interior amenities may be well-received, but not enough to make them forget about its horrible gas mileage.

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2008 HUMMER H2 Vehicle class: Luxury SUV. Power: V8 engine. Mileage: About 10 city / 13 highway. Where built: Mishawaka, Ind. Price as tested: \$69,875.





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Part Time Positions

Michigan First Credit Union is looking for energetic, personable staff to join our team at our new main office branch in Lathrup Village and other locations. Opportunities exist for part-time Tellers and part-time Financial Service **Representatives** (FSR). Schedule will likely be Monday through Friday from 1:00 to 5:00 pm but may vary.

TELLERS are responsible for providing a variety of member service functions involving the receipting and/or disbursing of funds. This position involves constant and direct interaction with members and requires fast and accurate cash handling skills.

FINANCIAL SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES responsibilities include opening and closing member accounts, providing members with current account information, issuing checks, processing deposits and withdrawals from accounts, issuing certificates, IRAs, drafts and other negotiable instruments. Other responsibilities include interviewing applicants to obtain personal and financial data and completing applications for credit card and other loans, and cross-selling credit union products and services.

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THE LEAP FROM ENTREPRENEURISM TO 'REGULAR' WORK

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SE Some business owners never return to traditional employment. They discover that their personalities fit their businesses and that they can handle the multitude of

problems that stem from business ownership -- full P&L responsibility, constant decision-making and hop-scotching from one task to the next. However, there's the business owner who does make the transition and is happy about it. What propels him to leave what he's built? How does he meet the inevitable challenges of a job search? What does he do correctly?

Robert Jackson, executive senior partner at the Lucas Group, a division of Lucas Associates Inc., in Dallas, sold security equipment through his own company for five years. He was good at it, until he discovered that his product had such a life span that building repeat business would be virtually impossible. Weary of the obstacle, he decided to find a company that would enable him to work continuously with corporations. "I just fell into this," he says. "I answered

an ad in The Dallas Morning News" -- the only job he applied for. Today he places former military in major corporations requiring leadership and technical aptitude. Ann Zuccardy, communications specialist at National Life Group in Montpelier, Vt., spent II years "doing everything at Vermont Shortbread Co., including inventing the product, marketing, baking at the beginning, public relations, Web site development and writing a blog," she recalls. "I found out what I wasn't good at." Her position in internal communications comes "with lots of creative license."

Doug Florzak, data analyst at SXC Health Solutions Inc., in Lisle, Ill., owned his technical writing business for 15 years. He did so well that he self-published two books explaining the process to others. That provided two revenue streams. As the industry began to offshore work to India, the social isolation was getting to him and his wife's health insurance wasn't stable because of her volatile industry. He earned his M.B.A. and now develops data-intensive management reports.

Peggy Departy of Ann Arbor, Mich., lasted the longest -- 20 years -- as sole owner of the Back Alley Gourmet, which sells gourmet food and catering services. She was thinking about getting out of the business when she became a single parent and needed stability, but the catalyst came when she received an attractive offer. Today, nine years later, she's in marketing for an upscale grocery chain. CHALLENGES

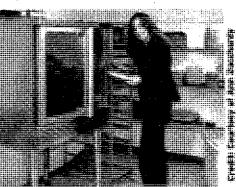
All four of these business owners are thriving. Two of

them, Zuccardy and Florzak, have kept their businesses. Zuccardy is trying to decide what to do with hers, whether to sell or have a joint venture, while Florzak has kept his book revenue stream alive.

Florzak had to find a way to present his work so that the gaps between assignments, some of which lasted for months, wouldn't show. Jackson's challenge was "to convince my boss that what I was looking for was a complete change of careers, not a 'pit stop." Zuccardy's challenge was more personal. She had to suspend her fear that her company of choice wouldn't be stable, that she might not have all of the creative license she wanted and that she might not be allowed to work at home. For Deparry, suffering from temporary loss of focus was a problem: "I shudder when I think I almost took a job at a bank as an investment advisor!" she exclaims. SMART MOVES

Looking back, all four realize that they did something correctly. Zuccardy discovered that she'd been networking extensively, but she didn't rely on that completely. On the Web she spotted and appreciated a creative, well-written ad. Its writer became her boss. Jackson, who saw the newspaper ad, responded to the fax number by "hunting down the phone number and the name of the person I'd be talking to," he observes. "I called instead of sending a letter."

Departy searched the industry she already knew and landed her first interview with an employee of the



Are: Buckardy justify fearly in new communications just in Martpuller, VI. a National Life Group after more than a second of entropymeurism. At this writing, she hadn't quite decided what to do with the business -- a pleasant problem to have, she concedes.

company. Florzak placed his resume on a large site, where a recruiter found it. "I also indicated that I'd do employee or contract-to-hire so that it increased the number of choices potentially available," he says. Then he "de-commissioned" the part of the business he was willing to let go. (Dr. Mildred L. Culp is an award-winning journalist.

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