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Help available

The Salvation Army Wayne-Westland Corps has money available to offer client families one-time assistance paying their bills. The corps received \$27,000 from its territorial level recently, but only about \$7,000 has been spent, said corps commander Capt. Derek Rose. Those eligible now can receive at least \$150 per client family. Previously, that had been the maximum. Those who have lost their jobs should contact Robin Rutledge-Clarke, to make an appointment, at (734) 722-3660, Ext. 107. She is the Salvation Army caseworker for Wayne-Westland. "We have about \$20,000 left," Rose said. The \$150 is no longer a maximum, but the amount will be based on needs. The one-time assistance for client families is intended for prescriptions, rent, utilities, home and vehicle repair, as well as car insurance. Recipients must live in Wayne, Westland, Romulus, Inkster or New Boston, the service area for the local Salvation Army, which is both a church and a social service organization. "To save gas, call and set up an appointment," Rose said. The corps center is on Venoy, south of Palmer in Westland.

Winner is ...

Twelve area residents have won family passes valued at \$107 to the African Safari Wildlife Park in Port Clinton, Ohio, in a reader promotion sponsored by the *Observer & Eccentric* and *Hometown Weeklies* Newspapers. The winners are Nancy Dailide of Canton Township, Anita Evans of Beverly Hills, Linda Grimsby of Livonia, Arlene Kuron of Rochester Hills, John Maliniak of Westland, Sandy Menczer of Birmingham, Debbie Morris, Denise Penny of Livonia, Paul Scott of Westland, Helene Weissberg of Southfield, Steven Yee of Canton and Kim Zamora of Livonia. Look for the Wild Summer Days advertisement sponsored by Oliver Home Improvement and Apartments/Rooms For Rent inside the paper every Sunday and Thursday and read about the animal park and how you can win a pass that admits up to six people at the park, just 17 miles west of Cedar Point.

Tailgate food

The college football season kicks off Sept. 5 at several Michigan universities, and for some alumni, fans and students, the games are as much about food and celebration as they are about touchdowns. If you count yourself among the tailgating crowd, we'd like to know more about the food, drinks and fun that go into your pregame parties.

Vote could put soccer complex at Cooper

BY KAREN SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Livonia school board will vote Monday on a controversial agreement to allow a company to lease the old Cooper School site in Westland for a soccer complex. Under the terms of the agreement, the school district would

add a parking lot and lights. Oakland County-based Breeze Management would lease about half of the 40-acre site for 35 years, paying the school district about \$2 million over that time period. The company would manage the complex, which would include four outdoor soccer fields, a couple of training fields and a dome for indoor soccer.

If the company defaults, the school district gets to keep the dome. If the agreement is approved, construction may begin in December or January, Supt. Randy Liepa said. Trustees Steve King and Patrice Mang said they are concerned about using sinking fund money.

Please see **VOTE, A2**

Chess boards find place among library books

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Spencer Wooley describes himself as the feel good person. Play a game of chess against the almost 10-year-old and you'll feel good because you won. Most people would feel down about that, but not Spencer. He smiles and moves on to another opponent and another game at Chess Night at the William P. Faust Public Library in Westland.

"I don't win all the time, but I know the rules," said the Garden City youth. "I've been playing here since this opened and I've been getting my butt kicked a lot, too."

"He's a pretty sharp little guy," said his grandfather, Ron LeBourdais of Livonia, who watched the gamesmanship from an upholstered chair across the room. "He'll play with anyone, he just wants to play."

Every Thursday night, reference librarian Kristy Cooper sets out chess sets in the library's Faust Area for players who stop by for a game or two or three. Now in its second month, interest in Chess Night is slowly building with more and more people showing up.

"Last week, we had 15 players with all different abilities," said Cooper.

The success of the popular Wednesday evening Knitting Night at the library was the impetus for Chess Night. Like Knitting Night, the belief is that Chess Night will become self-sustaining once it gets going, Cooper said.

"It's a good community gathering, people get to know each other and want to go against the other person



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Afroz Sufi of Westland makes her move in a game of chess with Spencer Wooley of Garden City, during Chess Night at the William P. Faust Public Library. Watching are Afroz's brother and sister, Zaheer and Farha Sufi.

to see their skills," she said. Cooper has joined in the playing. She's played a little over time and said she's easy to beat. "But I've learned a lot more about strategy and the levels of rules," Cooper added. "Chess makes you

think, it keeps your mind engaged." Her first few games were against Tim Heller, a medical retiree who was "looking for something to stimulate and refocus his mind. His wife saw an ad for Chess Night in the paper and suggested he try

it. "I started in third-fourth-grade, I learned from two Russian or Ukrainian brothers who went to day camp with me," he said. "It was a nice two summers I spent doing it."

Please see **CHESS, A3**

Chamber of Commerce stages annual expo at mall

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Westland Shopping Center may be known for its variety of retailers, but Saturday the Westland Chamber of Commerce will transform the mall's East Court into a Health and Business Expo.

This is the eighth year the chamber has held the event, offering its members the opportunity to advertise their goods and services in a popular August shopping destination.

"It's an opportunity for businesses to connect with the community,"

said Brookellen Swope, chamber president and CEO. "It helps draw people to the mall and bridges the gap between the business and residential community."

Some 30 businesses will participate in the event, which will take place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Aug. 22. Among those in attendance will be representatives of Garden City Hospital and Livonia St. Mary Mercy Hospital, who will do health screenings. Chiropractic doctors will do chair massages and there also will be dentists and vision specialists on hand to talk to shoppers. On the business side, financial

institutions, cell phone companies and the Livonia Family YMCA will be among chamber members ready to talk to people about what they have to offer.

Swope estimates that attendance has more than doubled since moving the event to a Saturday. Holding it when the mall is filled with families doing back-to-school shopping also helps.

Businesses participating in the expo include Parkside Credit Union, St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Westland Shopping Center, AT&T My Link, C&M Printing & Imaging, city of Westland, Comfort

Keepers, Community Dental Associates, Co-op Services Credit Union, Garden City Hospital, Henry Ford/OptimEyes, Livonia Family YMCA, Met Life, Michigan Chiropractic Specialists, Parkside Dental Team, Sharon's Heating & Air Conditioning, State Farm Insurance and Xango, as well as the Westland Jaycees and Westland Rotary.

"It's a good event that a lot of members enjoy and it's another opportunity for them to network with the community," Swope said.

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CARS makes dealers, buyers happy

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

As Susan Ianni sees it, Cash for Clunkers is the wrong name for the highly popular federal Car Allowance Rebate System (CARS). Aimed at increasing auto sales, the point of the program is to swap vehicles with 18 mpg or less for today's more fuel efficient models.

"They should call it Cash for Guzzlers," said Ianni, general manager of Gordon Chevrolet in Garden City. "They're trying to get the gas guzzlers off the road, so people come in, find out if their clunker qualifies and get the rebates from the federal government and GM."

Ianni calls Gordon Chevrolet the "anchor" of an almost three-mile stretch of Ford Road in Westland and Garden City where



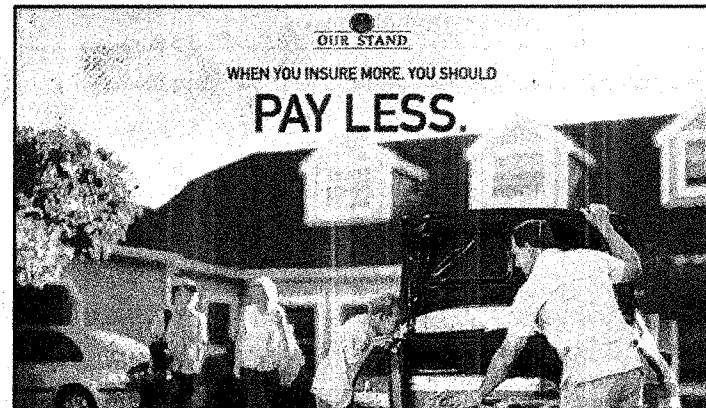
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An older Plymouth mini-van has become the "poster child" for the Cash for Clunkers program at Gordon Chevrolet in Garden City.

five different auto dealerships have seen business increase because of the Cash for Clunkers program.

Since CARS started July 24, Gordon Chevrolet has sold 110

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CHESS

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Like Cooper, the Westland resident believes the more people who play the better Chess Night will get.

"One thing about chess, it was popular for awhile and fell out, it comes and goes," he said.

Nancy Roman of Westland was waiting for her husband and son when she saw the in-house advertisement for Chess Night. She sat down with Cal Moores of Southfield to play a few games only to discover her opponent used to play in tournaments.

"A friend taught me to play," said Moore. "I used to play in tournaments five years ago, but slowed down. I used to play all the time, now I play online against other people and usually win. I've always liked it."

Nine-year-old Afroz Sufi's grandfather taught her to play chess last year when her family went to visit him.

BOARD GAMES

What: Chess Night for everyone from beginners through master chess players

When: 7-9 p.m. Thursdays
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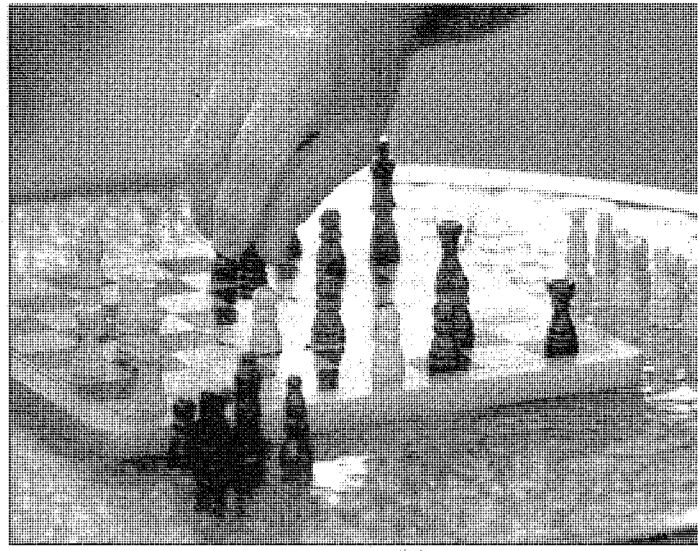
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Her mother, Mehnez, saw the advertisement for Chess Night and decided to bring her.

"I'm happy they have this, she likes to play and misses her grandfather," Mehnez said.

Afroz's first game was against Spencer and as predicted by Spencer, she won. Cooper isn't the only library staffer to stop by for Chess Night. A computer assistant, Brandon Bell was recruited to play because of his knowledge of the game.

"I played a little when I was younger, but not so much lately," said the Westland resi-



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Wayne Kaiser makes a move in a game with Brandon Bell.

dent. "I knew the moves, but I don't have the moves now, but I'm starting to notice things."

Bell's opponent was Wayne Kaiser who played chess 45 years ago when he was in the Navy. He hasn't played much since, but "it's starting to come back."

"I won the first game by chance," the Westland resi-

dent said. "He made one bad move and I got his queen and that pretty much did him in."

Across the room, Spencer was looking for another opponent.

"You know in chess age doesn't matter," he said. "It's practice."

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Garage sale benefits diabetes walk

The Fleming family of Garden City is set to hold their third annual garage sale to benefit the American Diabetes Association's Step Out: Walk to Fight Diabetes.

The garage sale will take place 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 22-23, and will feature furniture, baby clothes, adult clothes and shoes, electronics and more. The items were donated from local families committed to finding a cure for diabetes.

The American Diabetes Association's Step Out: Walk to Fight Diabetes will take place on Saturday, Oct. 10, at the Detroit Zoo. The annual event attracts thousands of walkers

and raises money to provide community-based education programs, protect the rights of people with diabetes and help find a cure for people with all types of diabetes. More information on the walk can be found online at www.diabetes.org/stepout.

The Flemings participate in honor of their youngest daughter, Shawna, who was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes in 1994. They have been active with the American Diabetes Association since this time.

The garage sale will take place at 28576 Rush St. in the Warren Road-Middlebel area. The home can be found behind Menka's Kitchen on Warren Road.

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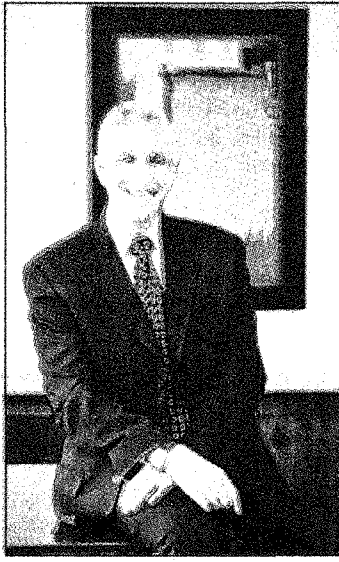
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Davenport's new president seeks input from community

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER



Pappas

Richard Pappas toured the Livonia campus of Davenport University on Wednesday and met with teachers and staff there, some of the first duties he's completed since taking over as Davenport's president this month.

Pappas comes to Davenport from National-Louis University in Chicago. He said he went to Davenport because it was a "perfectly fitted match" for him. "I'm glad to be back in my home state, and Davenport has a tremendous drive for excellence," Pappas said.

Pappas wanted to meet with faculty and staff in Livonia and at other Davenport campuses to develop a five-year plan. He plans to return in about a month to talk with businesses, technological firms and hospitals to find out what employer demands and needs will be over the next several years.

"Livonia is a new campus, and it is a beautiful campus," Pappas said. "We'd like to sit down with the residents and employers and have input from them."

That input and information will help develop a strategic plan that fits everyone's needs, whether it is a student seeking a career in an employable field or a company that needs educated workers, he said.

"I think (Davenport in Livonia) is a great fit with the needs of this particular area," Pappas said. "People want to make a difference in health

and academic quality," said Ken Bovee, chairman of the Davenport University Board of Trustees and member of the search committee. Bovee further noted that the board based its decision for selecting Pappas on his successful track record in strategic planning, academics, admissions, fundraising, alumni relations and community leadership.

Pappas has 35 years experience in higher education and 20 years as college and university president. Pappas holds a doctorate in higher, adult and continuing education and a master's degree in higher education and business management from the University of Michigan.

Pappas served as president of Lake Michigan College in Benton Harbor and president of Harford Community College in Bel Air, Md. He will now oversee Davenport, a private, nonprofit university which has its main campus in Grand Rapids, and offers classes at 14 locations, from Alma to Warren. Enrollment is approximately 11,000.

Davenport specializes in business, technology and health professions. The university boasts that it prepares students for 17 of the top 20 careers on the Michigan Top 50 list.

Some of the specialized programs include accounting fraud investigation, biometric information management and network security.

Pappas was selected because of his "passion for students

care and in business. I think we can make a difference."

He also hopes to meet with Conway Jeffries, president of Schoolcraft College, to discuss a possible partnership. He hopes to meet with presidents and officials from every community college in the state, Pappas said. "I've known Conway for 15 years and he's a great leader," he said.

Pappas said he's heard positives about the Livonia campus and that staffers are excited about the new campus. He hopes to meet with business officials and the Livonia Chamber of Commerce, too.

"Quality is a key adjective of what we do," Pappas said. "We talk a lot about our new direction."

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Oakwood seeks design for its Red Run T-shirts

Youngsters age 12 and under can put their artistic talents to the test in designing a T-shirt for a fitness run being hosted by Oakwood Annapolis Hospital in October.

Dubbed the Junior October Mile, the run is part of the Red October Run that will held Saturday, Oct. 3, at the hospital, 33155 Annapolis, Wayne. The event will feature a 10K run, 5K run, 5K walk and Junior October Mile.

The artwork must be done on a 8 1/2-by-11-inch sheet of

white paper. Designs should include no more than three colors. Felt tip pens, crayons or color pencils can be used. Include the child's name, age (as of Oct. 3) and gender along with home address and parent's phone number and/or e-mail address. Include the information in the body of e-mailed entries or on the back of artwork sent by mail. Shirt contest entries must be received no later than Sept. 1.

Entries can be mailed to Oakwood Community Health, 23400 Michigan

Ave., Suite 606, Dearborn, MI 48124, ATTN: Red October Run. They also can be e-mailed as a PDF, JPG, GIF or TIFF attachment to Cynthia.Cook@oakwood.org.

The entries will be juried for selection by qualified professional local artists with the winning entry announced on or about Sept. 14. The winner will receive free T-shirt for child-entrant and their mother and father, as well as a special prize. All entries will be displayed in the hospital.

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Founded in 1939 by Carl Stoltz as a three-team league in Williamsport, Penn., the Little League Baseball organization has grown to more than 200,000 teams in the United States and 80 countries. Local volunteers run its programs which are open to children between the ages of 5 and 18 at no cost. In 1974, Little League rules were changed to allow girls to participate. There is now also a Girl's Softball league.

Some famous Little League participants include George W. Bush, Tom Seaver, Gary Sheffield, Jason Varitek, Rudy Giuliani, Kevin Costner, Bruce Springsteen, Cal Ripken, Jr., Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Jim Palmer, Tom Selleck, Nolan Ryan, Dan Quayle and Bill Bradley.

There are actually eight World Series held each year, but the best-known and publicized event is the 11-12-year-old division. Every championship game since 1963 has been televised. Divisional play in the United States began Aug. 6 with teams in eight regions all playing for a spot in the championship game at Howard J. Lamade Stadium. Likewise across the globe, teams in eight regions vie for their spot. This year's championship game will be played Aug. 30 and will be broadcast by ABC television.

If you're interested in learning more about the Little League organization, including its history and how to start a league, the official website is www.littleleague.org.

league.org.

The William P. Faust Public Library of Westland has many books and videos that deal with baseball. The following are some items that you may want to check out that deal specifically with Little League: Randy Voorhees' "Making Little League Baseball More Fun for Kids," Peter Kreutzer's "Little League's Official How to Play Baseball Book, Mark Gola's "Little League Guide to Conditioning and Training" and "Play Ball!: Basic Fielding" (DVD).

The William P. Faust Public Library of Westland is open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and open 24/7 online at www.westlandlibrary.org.

Highlighted Activities

Adult Book Discussion Group: 7 p.m. Aug. 18.

Join us as we discuss Peter Carey's "My Life As a Fake." The novel is a tale of historical fiction, which revolves around the obsession of complex and mysterious characters with a manuscript. Please read the book before the meeting. Copies are available at the Reference Desk. All are welcome.

20s/30s Book Club: 7 p.m. Aug. 19, Biggy Coffee, 37644 Ford, west of Newburgh.

We will be reading and discussing the Pulitzer Prize winner for fiction, "The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier and Clay" by Michael Chabon. This brilliant epic novel set in New York and Prague introduces us to two misfit young men who make it big by creating comic-book superheroes. Copies are available at the Reference Desk.

Creating a Professional Resume: 7 p.m. Aug. 19.

Let Preston Banks of Resume Solutions, LLC, answer all of your resume questions, whether you've never cre-

ated a resume before and aren't sure where to start, or you would like to improve your existing resume. A few of the key points to be discussed are your resume's appearance, do you need an e-mail address, how far back should your history go, what should you omit from your resume, and what if you don't have professional experience? Call or stop by the library to reserve your seat by calling (734) 326-6123.

Introduction to Essential Oils: 7 p.m. Aug. 24.

Ilka Handshaw, health coach and an aromatherapy consultant, will teach the healing power of plant and flower essences and help you discover the therapeutic benefits of aromatherapy. Call (734) 326-6123 or stop by the library to reserve your seat.

Job Seekers Lab: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Tuesday, 5-8 p.m. Wednesday and 1-4 p.m. Friday.

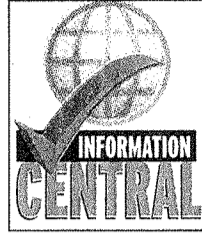
Have a question regarding formatting your resume, setting up an e-mail account, attaching your resume to an online application, searching for a job, or any other job related activity? Stop by the library where computers are set up specifically for job seekers. A librarian will be available to help.

Drop-in Knitting Nights @ the library: Every Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome.

Chess Night: Every Thursday evening at 7 p.m.

Like to play chess? Want to get better? Come to the library and play a couple of games. Bring your own board or use one of ours. Novices to chess masters are all welcome. No sign-up required.

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



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The collection will take place 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and is a chance for county residents to

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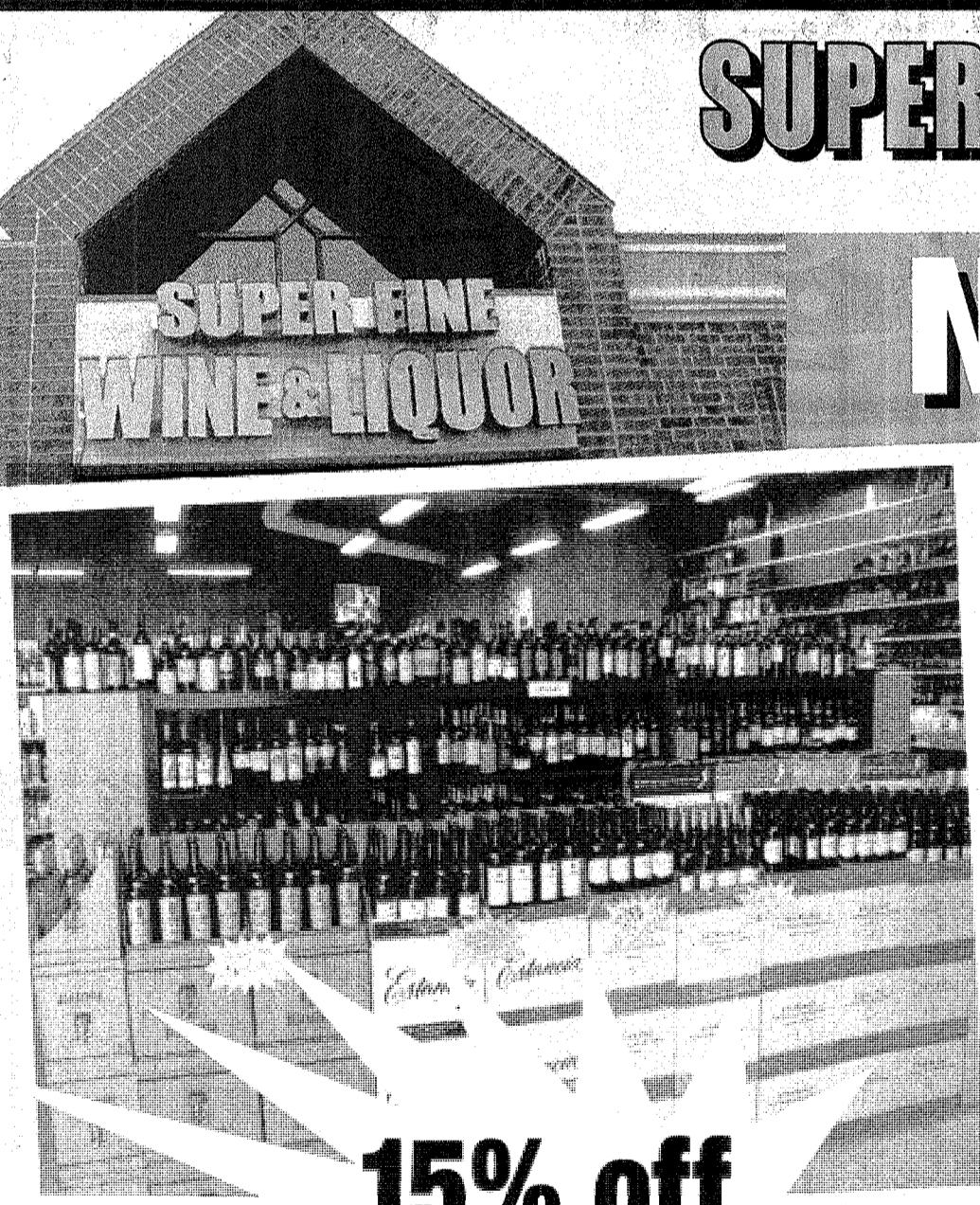
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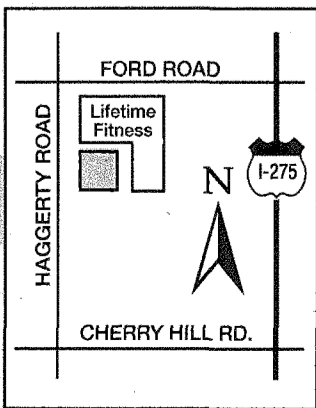
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Investors need to look forward when making decisions

The government recently released the July unemployment report and, for the first time in over a year, the unemployment rate dropped.

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Money Matters

Rick Bloom

I would love to say the recession is over. Unfortunately, I can't.

First, let's put the unemployment numbers into perspective. It is generally agreed that the U.S. economy needs to create 100,000 jobs every month just to account for new people entering the job market. In addition, one month does not create a trend. The government issues revised numbers, and although typically these are not material, they can be. Before getting excited about the job numbers, it's best to wait another month or two to get a clear picture.

In addition, what we all should hope for is an economy that creates new jobs.

As investors, we are flooded with economic data on a daily, weekly and monthly basis. Whether it is the unemployment report, consumer spending, personal savings rate or personal income, there is no shortage of economic data. If investors try to analyze all the data available, they would be paralyzed and end up doing nothing. In fact, when I speak to portfolio managers who handle hundreds of millions and billions of dollars, they generally tell me they focus on a few economic numbers.

Remember, economic numbers released are in the past and as investors we need to look forward. Looking at economic numbers released is like looking in your car's rear-view mirror. In reality, the main focus should be looking forward.

LOOK FORWARD

An example of where looking in the rear-view mirror can cause problems is what recently happened in the stock market.

In March, all the economic numbers released showed the recession was deepening and the U.S. economy was faltering. In fact, after many investors received their February statements and saw the losses, they bailed out. They were looking

through their rear-view mirror. As painful as it was for the investors who continued to look forward, they have been rewarded. Since the beginning of March, the market has rallied dramatically and investors who panicked have lost a golden opportunity.

Since March, the Dow is up more than 40 percent, the S&P 500 is up nearly 50 percent and the NASDAQ market is up

more than 50 percent. Year-to-date, all three of the markets are in positive territory. As I write this column, the Dow is up 7 percent year to date, the S&P 500 is up 12 percent and the NASDAQ market is up a stunning 27 percent.

I've had a number of investors ask me since the market has had this great run over the last three or four months, will it eventually pull back? I

have no clue and neither does anyone else. I've always said it is dangerous to attempt to time the market.

My advice for people who pulled out and are sitting on cash is to consider dollar-cost averaging back into the market. Dollar-cost averaging is a strategy where you invest a certain amount of money on a regular basis, no matter what is happening in the market.

The length of investment time is based upon your comfort in the market. The key to success in investing on a regular basis.

A word of caution: Although the rest of the country may be improving, our area has significant challenges ahead. General Motors and Chrysler continue to struggle. Although Ford is doing better, it too has challenges.

I believe it will be some time

before our area truly begins to recover and we must take that into consideration when handling our personal financial affairs and managing our portfolios. Good luck!

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. Observer & Eccentric readers can submit questions at [moneymatters@hometownlife.com](mailto:money matters@hometownlife.com). For more information, visit Rick's Web site at www.bloomassetmanagement.com.

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Chill at the Joe benefits First Step

First Step, is inviting families to Chill at the Joe on Sunday, Sept. 20. This family-friendly event at Joe Louis Arena will help raise needed funds to support First Step and its mission to help women and families overcome domestic violence and sexual abuse.

Chill at the Joe will be 3-6 p.m. and feature a variety of crafts, games, entertainment, all-you-can-eat "game day fare" as well as a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to tour the Red Wing's locker room. Guests also can bring their skates or rent a pair of skates to take a few laps on the ice at Joe Louis Arena and participate in hockey feats of skill.

"This event is exciting! It's a time to celebrate. It's an affordable, fun-filled event for all members of the family, at the same time helping other families to overcome violence. This event will help fill in the gaps in funding created by difficult economic times," said Judy Ellis, executive director of First Step. "I hope to see at least 1,000 people at this event to send a message of hope."

"First Step is a crucial safety

net for the women and families in our community," said Deborah Dingell, honorary chair of Chill at the Joe. "This special event will bring much needed financial support to an organization that works so hard to make every dollar count towards its essential services for victims and their families."

Tickets for the event are \$30 per adult, \$20 for kids or \$100 per family. They can be purchased by calling Theresa Bizoe at (734) 416-1111 or by e-mail at tbizoe@gmail.com. Net proceeds from sponsorships, silent auction and ticket sales will be donated to First Step.

First Step provides safe shelter, a 24-hour help line, counseling, advocacy, assault response, legal support, children's programs and other essential services designed to support victims of domestic and sexual violence and their families in western Wayne County and Downriver, with offices in Plymouth, Taylor and Redford.

For more information about First Step, visit its website at www.firststep-mi.org/.

Worthy of worship

Methodist church is fabric of members' lives

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

As the historic Cherry Hill United Methodist Church in Canton celebrates its 175th year, lifelong member Dorothy Richards, 76, fondly remembers her childhood days going to Sunday School.

"I used to walk or ride my bike a half-mile to get here. We had excellent Sunday School teachers," she said, sitting in the fellowship hall. "I can't think of going anywhere else. It's become a good habit."

Richards, who chairs the trustees committee, remembers when sweet corn grew around the church, which stands on Ridge Road south of Cherry Hill as a proud reminder of the township's more rural past.

"I was baptized here, and I've never turned away," Richards said, smiling.

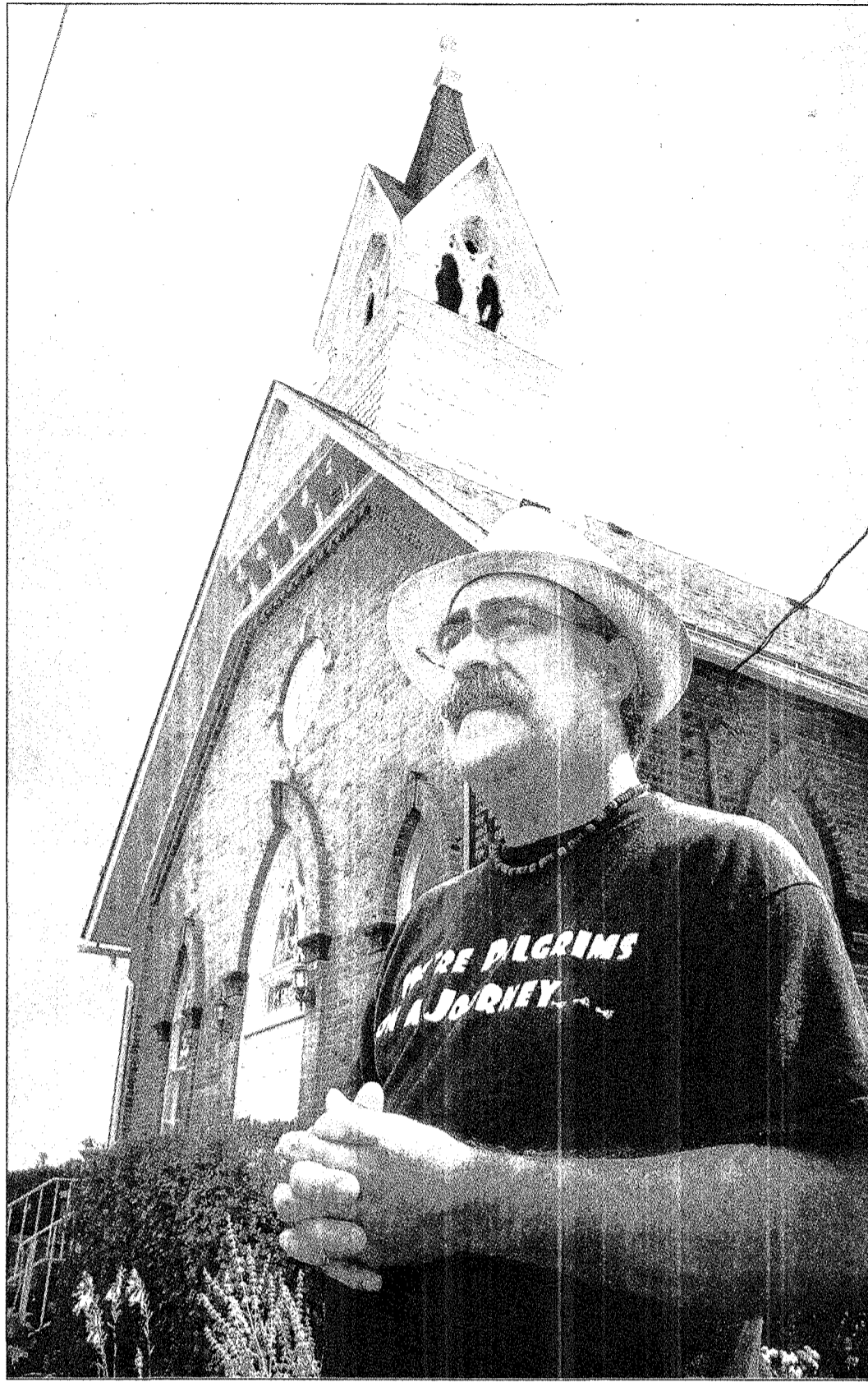
Like Richards, 59-year-old Bob Simmons of Inkster is a third-generation member of the church.

"I was raised here, so it's my family," he said. "I feel kind of an ownership."

The congregation began meeting in 1834 in local homes, and members say the first church, a clapboard building on the Ridge Road site, was erected a year later. Folklore has it the small gathering place caught fire before it was replaced in 1882 by the existing church, which boasts a red brick exterior, a white steeple and a basement where meticulously painted wall murals depict stories from the Old and New Testaments.

"We really do embrace the Methodist (teachings) of open hearts, open minds and open doors," Simmons said.

To that end, a Jewish con-



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The Rev. Merlin Pratt is the minister at Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, which is celebrating its 175th anniversary this year.

gregation, Bet Chaverim, has used the church for years for meetings on one Saturday each month.

The Rev. Merlin Pratt, who this month marks his one-year anniversary with the church, can walk to the next-door house he shares with wife Kay, pastor of Faith

United Methodist Church in Belleville. He hopes to draw more people into the fold of his 52-member congregation, which comes from communities such as Canton, Livonia, Westland, Plymouth, Redford, Ypsilanti, Inkster and Belleville.

Pratt said some people mis-

takenly believe the church is a historic building not being used. To be sure, it has received historic designations from the township, the state of Michigan and the National Register of Historic Places, but 80 pastors later it still is a place of worship.

Marcus Swift, one of the area's first settlers and a traveling preacher, was the first minister. Moreover, Pratt has learned that one of his ancestors, Hobart Dubois, was church pastor around 1842.

Pratt was appointed pastor after he and his wife had done missionary work in Jamaica. Since then, some members of his congregation have returned to that country to take clothing to the poor. They also have assembled school supplies in backpacks for students, and they have helped Habitat for Humanity build homes for families in need.

"This is a nice place to work," Pratt said of the church, "and the people here are good folks."

The congregation has marked its 175th year in simple ways. Members had a Family Fun Fest last Saturday including food and activities, and they had a Bible School just this week.

Pratt sees his responsibilities as helping to grow the congregation in hopes the church can survive for years to come.

"We want it again to be a center of the community," Pratt said. "We want to attract new families with children."

Maybe those children, like Richards, will one day look back fondly on their early days in church. Even now, she describes it as a welcoming place where people can feel comfortable.

"We try to accept everyone," she said. "People take away a happy feeling from here."

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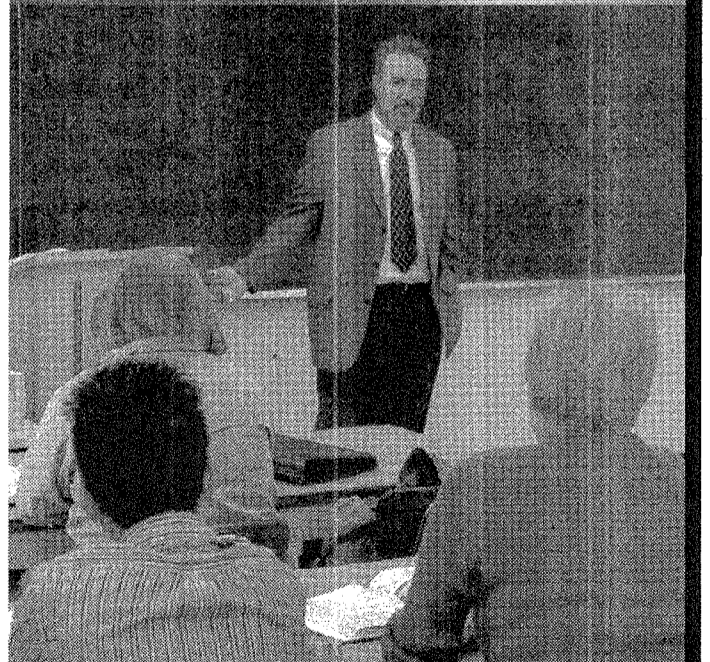
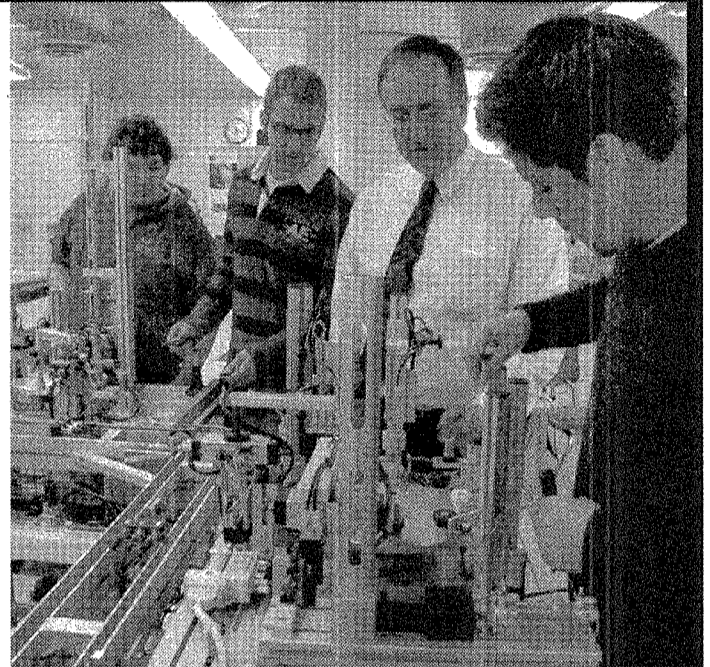
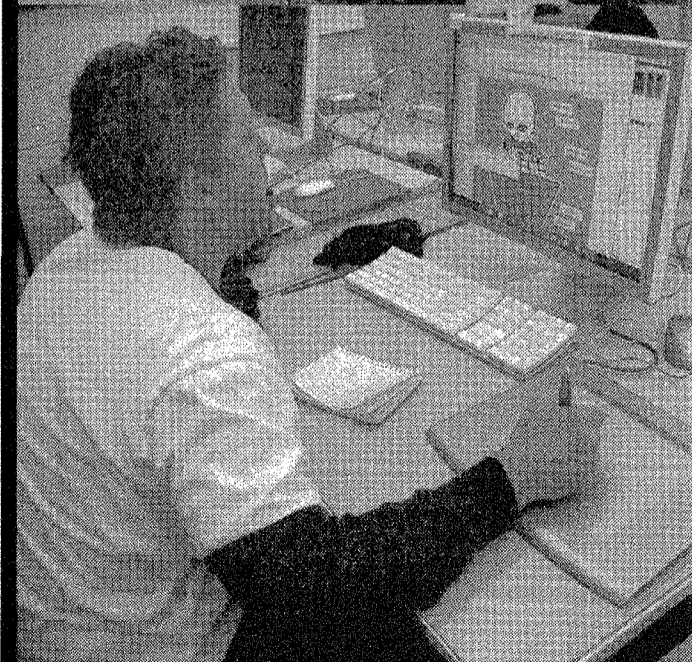
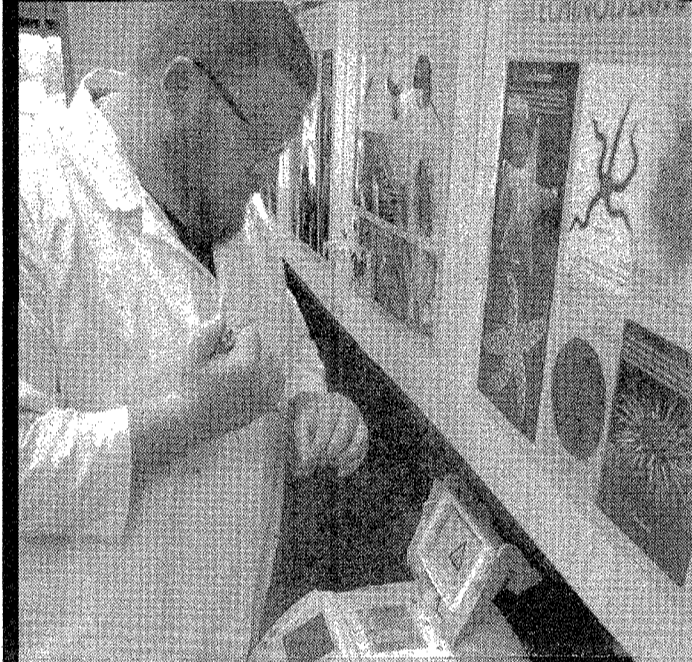
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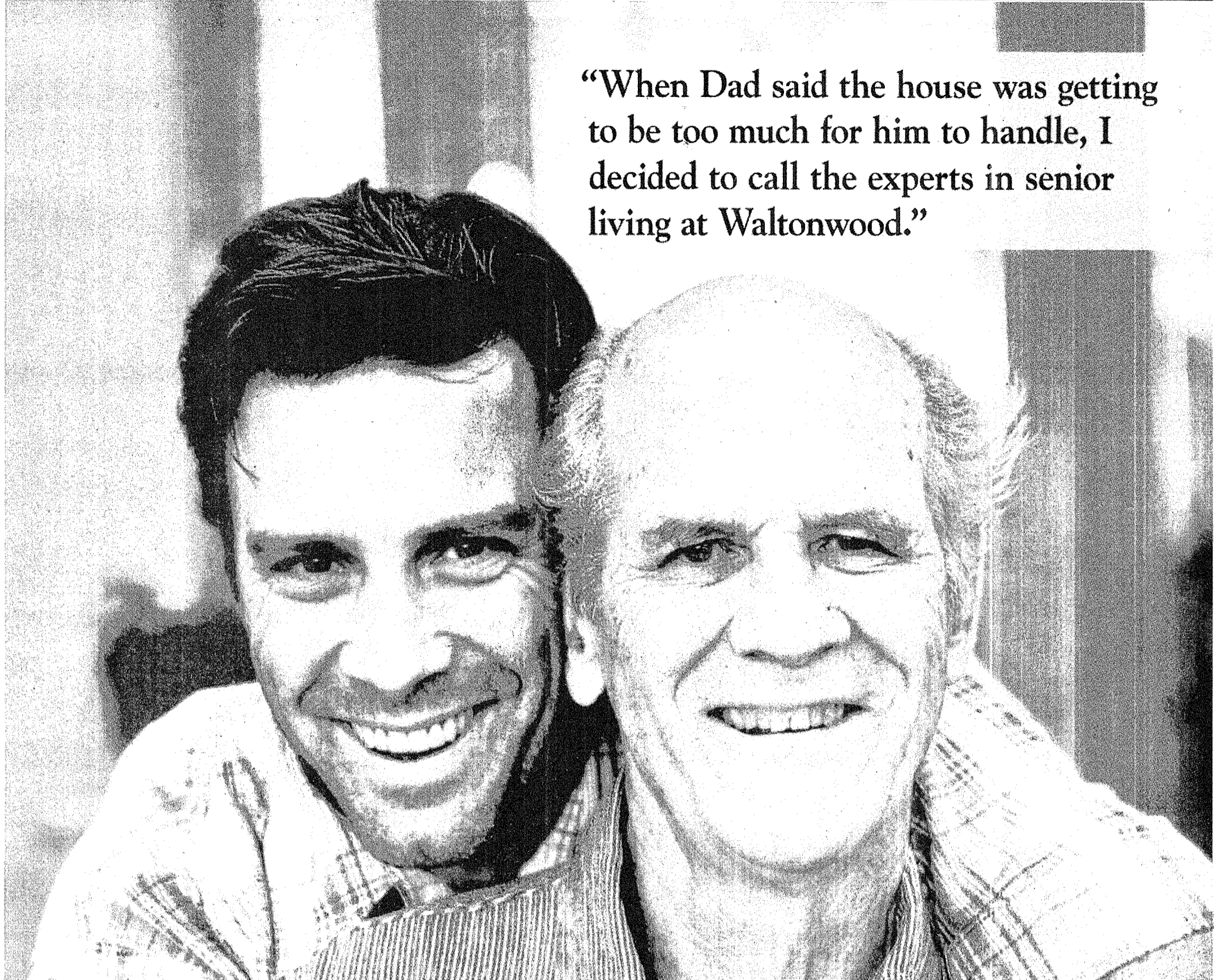
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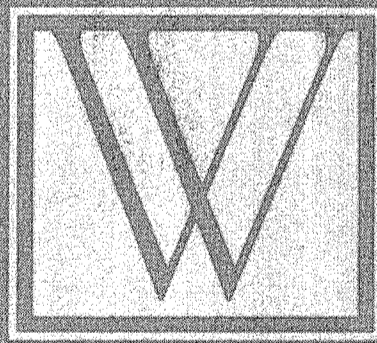


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Patriots hope to solve missing piece of puzzle

QB slot up in air

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Livonia Franklin football coach Chris Kelbert admits he's been spoiled by his quarterback play in recent years.

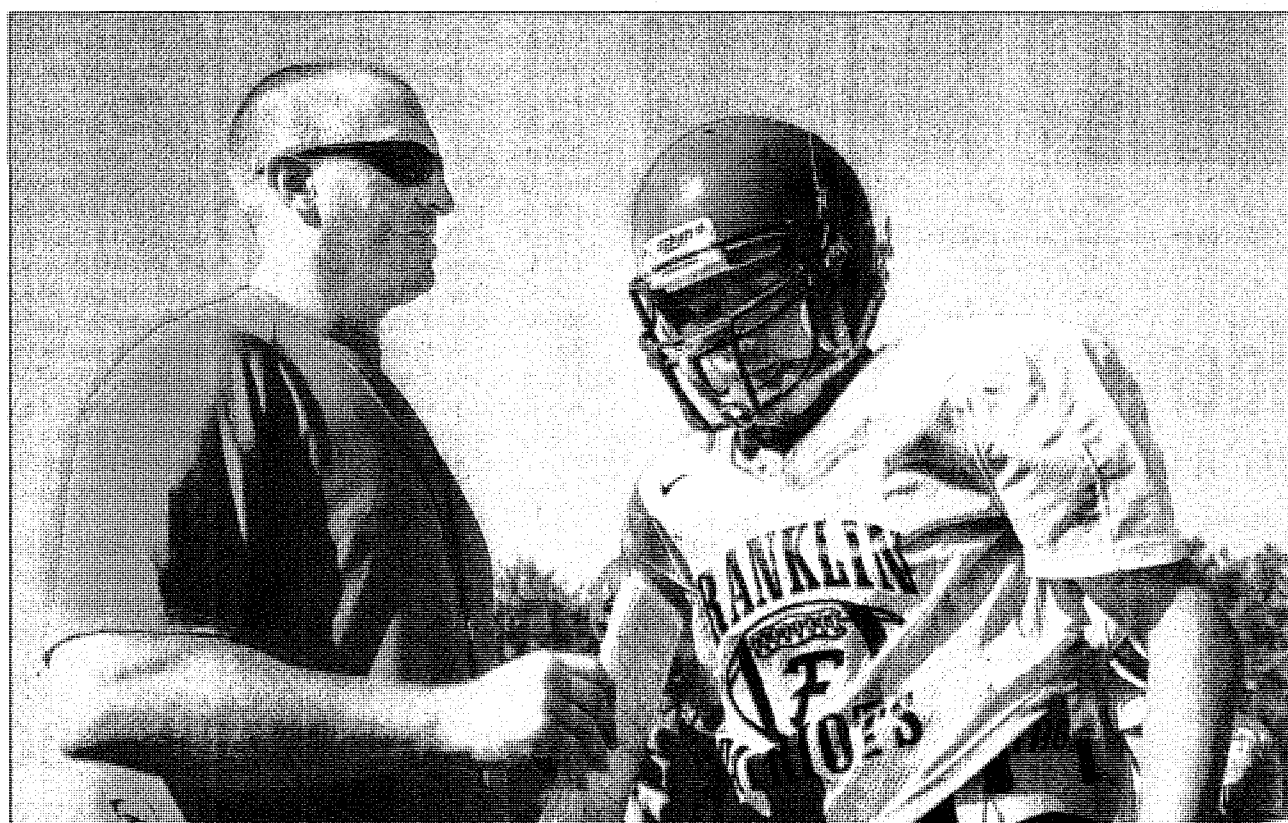
The Patriots, coming off a 5-5 season, lost first-team All-Observer signal caller Mark McRobb to graduation. McRobb, who accounted for 1,889 combined passing and rushing yards. He assumed the job from another first-team All-Area pick in Jesse Carpenter.

Carpenter, meanwhile, took over the position from another first-team All-Area pick Matt McCullough, who led the Patriots to a 10-1 record in 2005.

They were three reasons why the Patriots have made the postseason three of the past four years.

There are a few questions marks for this year's 2009 Patriot squad.

That's because Kelbert returns a slew of starters led by 6-foot-3,



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Franklin coach Chris Kelbert confers with quarterback prospect Brent Marzion during Friday's preseason practice.

Please see **FRANKLIN, B3**

SIDELINES

Dube falls in 3

Livonia's Joseph Dube, who will be a junior this fall at Novi-Detroit Catholic Central High, lost in both the main draw and back draw of last week's U.S. Tennis Association Boys 16 Nationals held in Kalamazoo.

Ryan Smith (Weston, Fla.) defeated Dube in three sets, 6-1, 3-6, 6-3. Forrest Edwards (Franklin, Tenn.) then defeated Dube in a first-round consolation match, 6-3, 6-3.

In doubles, Dube and partner Stratton Gilmore (Madison, Wis.) lost in straight sets to Smith and Dominic Coltrane (Bradenton, Fla.), 6-2, 6-3.

McCurtis saluted

Westland soccer coach LaShanna McCurtis of the Wayne Westland United Lightning has been selected Weplay.com's National Coach of the Year.

McCurtis has been coaching soccer for nine years. She and her husband developed a love for the game after their eldest daughter decided that was her sport.

The McCurtis' two younger daughters followed suit, and it has been a family affair ever since.

One of McCurtis' past squads, the MSYSA Soccer Spotlight Team, worked hard on teamwork and conditioning over the 2007 winter season and finished their spring 2008 season undefeated. The girls also attended the Kohls American Cup, where they displayed an enormous amount of selflessness and generosity by participating in the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Kicks for Cancer program.

"Over the years, the girls I've coached have truly been an inspiration to me," McCurtis said. "Weplay has been great for this - from coordinating every day tasks during the season to staying connected with everyone all year long."

Stevenson Meet Team

Livonia Stevenson will hold its Meet the Team Night from 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 19 at the high school auditorium.

Attendance for all ninth- and 10th-graders, along with newcomer athletes and parents, are requested for an introduction meeting at 7 p.m. Juniors and seniors should report for specific sports breakout meetings with their parents at 7:45 p.m.

For more information, call Stevenson athletics at (734) 744-2500.



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Churchill's Dylan Ochala, a junior, returns as a starter at linebacker.

Churchill plans to 'spread' the wealth

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

If the second half of the 2008 Livonia Churchill football season is any indication, it's time to stock up on light bulbs for the home field scoreboard.

The Chargers' first-year spread offense lit up the board like Christmas tree during the final four games to the tune of 151 points, an average of 37.7 per game.

But the downside was that the Chargers were outscored 271-227 on the season, leaving them with a 3-6 overall record.

"This is the second level of instal-

lation of the spread," Churchill 13th-year coach John Filiatraut said. "We're further ahead as far as learning and I'm interested to see how it translates. Last year we really didn't pick it up until the fifth game."

Jordan Grohoski, who started three games last season as a sophomore, takes the full-time reins at quarterback in an offensive attack tailored to his capabilities.

"He had a great off-season, he's bigger and stronger physically," Filiatraut said of the 5-foot-11, 175-pound junior. "He's accurate, he's got a good arm and runs well. He's a talented kid."

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Winning tradition MU spikers primed for another strong run

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

It could be a new-look Madonna University women's volleyball team this fall, but the results never get old for the Crusaders, who will be gunning for their 11th NAAIA National Tournament appearance under Hall of Fame coach Jerry Abraham.

Abraham, entering his 23rd year, must replace first-team All-America Lubovj Tihomirova, who average 4.08 kills per game, and second-team All-America Whitney Fuelling (463 kills), along with front-row specialist Stephanie Parslow - all of whom graduated.

"We lost three quality seniors - offensively who were dominant kind of players that were all tremendous leaders and volleyball athletes," said Abraham, who is coming off a 35-7 season and 12th straight Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference title. "So our

recruiting efforts this year were to get more firepower specifically in the outside and middle hitting positions.

"Overall we're new in a lot of spots. We're returning experience in key areas, but yet we have a lot of new players that have to fit in. That's why this preseason is more important than the last few years. But I'm confident that once we mold into a team, it could be a team that is fast and athletic. The chemistry is extremely good and I'm excited about the season."

Mary McGinnis, a 5-foot-11 senior outside hitter from Fraser who ranked second behind the 6-2 Tihomirova in total kills (474) will take on the leadership role along with fourth-year starting setter Inta Grinvalds, a 5-10 senior from Portage Central.

Abraham said both are legitimate All-America candidates.

The other senior returnee is 5-8 defensive specialist Abby Long

(LaPorte, Ind.), a three-year starter who is coming off knee surgery.

"Obviously we'll count on our seniors," Abraham said. "If Abby is healthy, she'll pick up where she left off. Inta's the floor general, the leader who is able to put it antenna-to-antenna. She's a top level setter, one of the better setters in the country."

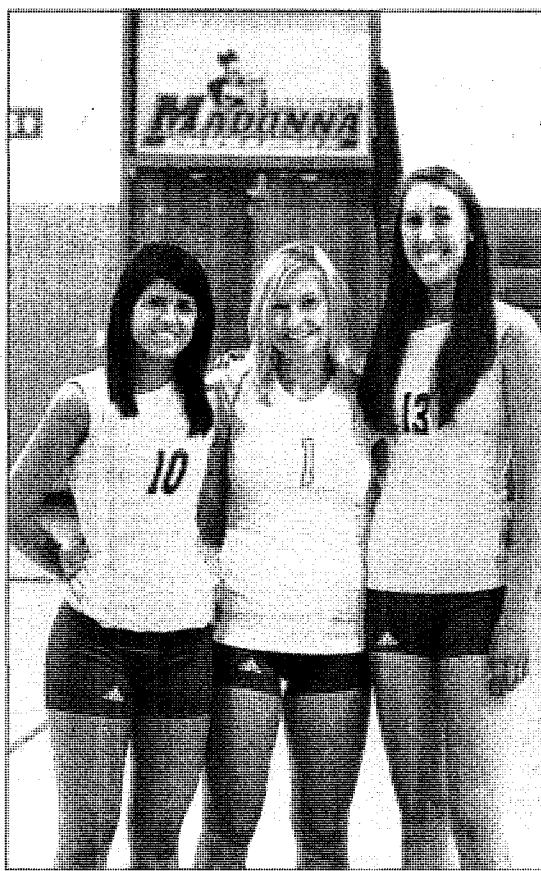
"Mary will be a captain. She had a great spring. We'll rely on her as a left-side hitter who we expect put up numbers on a consistent basis."

McGinnis, meanwhile, is ready to assume the mantle.

"Coach (Abraham) wants me to be more vocal," McGinnis said. "Usually I try to lead by example. I've been a leader, but haven't had the seniority. I'm excited to take on the role."

Grinvalds, MU's all-time leading setter, averaged 10.83 assists per game in 2008.

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MU SPORTS INFORMATION PHOTO

The Crusaders' Observerland volleyball connection includes (from left) Anna Gatt (Livonia Churchill), Liz Dempsey (Livonia Franklin) and Marie Martin (Canton).

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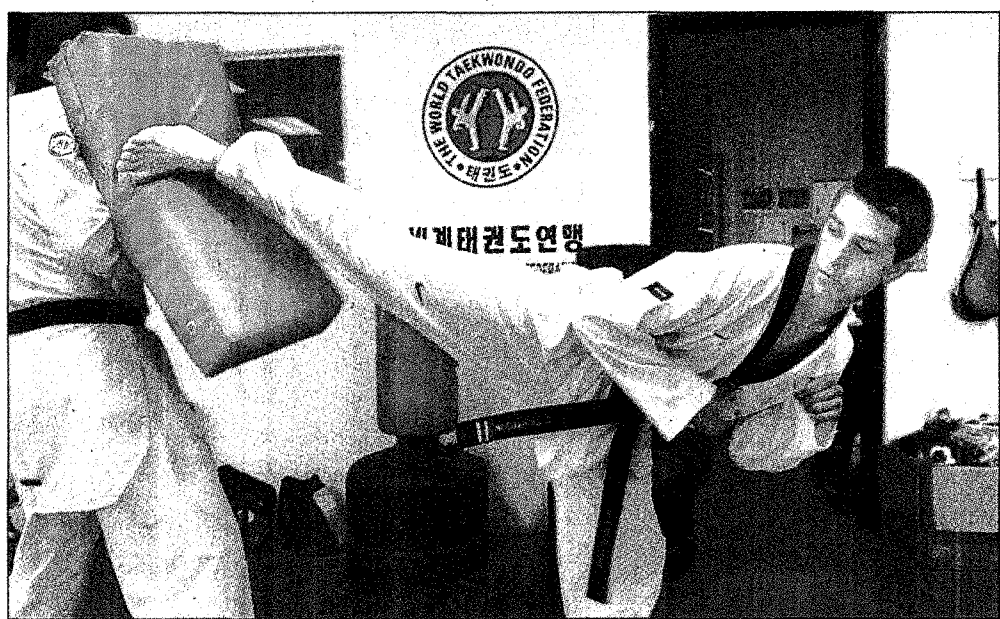
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Steven Thompson, a student at Westland John Glenn, earned a gold medal at the U.S. Tae Kwon Do Junior Olympics in Austin, Tex.

Golden future

Westland's Thompson on the rise in tae kwon do

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Midwest Tae Kwon Do in Plymouth could be grooming a future Olympian.

Westland John Glenn's Steven Thompson certainly is on the right track toward that lofty goal, earning a gold medal at the recent USA Tae Kwon Do Junior Olympics & U.S. National Championships in Austin, Tex. and qualifying for Saturday's national team trial.

If the 16-year-old Westland native is victorious at the Colorado Springs, Col. "fight off" at welterweight (129-to-137 pounds) he will earn a berth on the USA National Junior Team.

"I think I'm surprising people," Thompson said. "A lot of people didn't think I could make it as far as I am now, like going to teams."

One of his trademarks is dogged determination, so no matter what happens in Colorado, Thompson won't be deterred.

"I would just come back

here, start training more and wait around for next year," he said.

And making the USA National Junior Team is just the next of the string of ambitious goals Thompson is planning to reach.

"After making junior team, (goals are to) win internationally, travel around the world and play for USA and then go for the 2012 Olympics (in Chicago)," he said.

About the last goal in that list, he smiled and said it was do-able. "I think so. I always try to set myself at the highest I can go."

Thompson, whose parents are Lori and Daniel Thompson, said his Tae Kwon Do success (he came home from Texas with a gold medal in sparring in the 18-32 age bracket) is helping him grow as a complete person.

"It's making me concentrate more in school and it's making me more athletic to do other sports," said Thompson, who also

played varsity soccer at John Glenn. "The agility in Tae Kwon Do is like the same thing on the soccer field.

"... I've grown in school, too. I got better grades since I started tae kwon do and I've met new people during tournaments and built friendships with them."

According to one of the Masters at Midwest Tae Kwon Do, fifth-degree black belt Tanya Panizzo, there's no telling what Thompson might be able to accomplish.

One of the main reasons for Panizzo's optimism is Thompson's absolute passion for the sport, which gets its three-pronged name from "foot," "fist" and "the way."

"It started when I was six, I always loved fighting," Thompson stressed. "It's just adrenaline and energy flowing through your body. It's like you just can't wait to get out there and fight."

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Giorgi's leadership key for Crusaders

BY BRAD EMONS
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MEN'S SOCCER

With two straight trips to the NAIJA Nationals under his belt, Madonna University eighth-year coach Tino Scicluna is not content.

He continues to hunger for more. "The expectation doesn't change," said Scicluna, who guided the Crusaders to a 17-3 record and a Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference crown. "We've been knocking on the door every single year I've been here. We were knocking on the doorstep and made the nationals two years ago and last year we went one more step."

The Crusaders, who lost WHAC Player of the Year Doron Draai to graduation along with leading scorers Victor Otieno (nine goals, three assists), hope to surpass last year's national tourney run where they were knocked out in the second round of the NAIJAs by Rio Grande (Ohio), 2-1.

"We have to take care of business in the conference first if we're going to have a chance," Scicluna said. "And if we get there, we want to have a little

more success."

Only nine players return from a year ago led by senior midfielder Emilio Giorgi, a native of Windsor, Ontario.

"With Emilio we expect big things," Scicluna said. "He's a guy who has done all the dirty work in the past and he's one of the most fit players in the conference. He's matured a lot the last few years. He'll take on a leadership role whereas in the past he's led by example."

Other seniors returning include goalkeeper Steven Besk (Northville), who went 9-1 in 2008; midfielder Eric Kiebert (five goals, 10 assists), midfielder Mark Pikula (Dearborn), midfielder-defender Isaac St. John (Dearborn) and defender Dan Pichler (Livonia Stevenson).

Juniors Jacob Rosiek (Madison Heights Bishop Foley) and Daniel Amaya (Cartenga, Columbia) also return along with sophomore Cayle Lackten (Ancaster, Ontario).

"Every year we've lost good players, but every year we've been able to bring in some good ones and I feel good about this

recruiting class," Scicluna said. "It's been a balancing act of young players and veterans. This is the first freshman class where I feel I've influenced their development because I've either coached them in club soccer or seen them play. I think we'll be able to strengthen our chemistry since day one."

Two newcomers - Otieno Moses, a native of Kenya, and Nigerian native and Schoolcraft College transfer Mikey Iyoha - should have an immediate impact.

"Otieno is a playmaker, or he can put the ball in the back of the net," Scicluna said. "I expect he can do a little of everything. I expect him to be a productive player."

"Mikey is a good young talent. He's a center-midfielder who can be a playmaker or an attacking threat. At Schoolcraft he was a successful player. Transfers from that program have been a large part of our success. Then, we'll have some local talent to fill our defensive roles."

The Crusaders will open their season Friday, Aug. 21 on the road against NAIJA Region nemesis Bethel (Ind.) College.

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Brand new cast bolsters Ocelots

BY JIM TOTH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

SOCCER PREVIEW

Generating excitement will be the least of worries this fall for Schoolcraft College's men's soccer team.

Matching the number of victories of a year ago could be a different story.

Nonetheless, Rick Larson finds himself as optimistic as ever entering his fourth season at the helm of the Ocelots program.

"We will be fun to watch as we return a lot of exciting players," said Larson as the 2009 contingent looks to follow up on a stellar '08 campaign which produced an overall record of 17-3-4 and berth in the National Junior College Athletic Association tournament.

"My staff throughout the year did everything I asked them to do in going out and evaluating talent and recruiting the type of players we

need to be successful."

Larson's compliments were directed towards assistant coaches Chris Grodzicki and Eric Scott, whose combined efforts lured the likes of highly-touted freshmen Adrian Motta (Livonia Churchill), Chris Long (Livonia Stevenson), Dane Laird (Farmington Harrison), Nate Sergison (Stevenson), Andrew Koet (Plymouth) and Khalid Suleiman (Westland John Glenn).

Those individuals will look to follow the lead of returnees Kenny Vasquez, James Cho, Andy Adlington, Bim Ogunyemi and Yaya Toure.

Both Vasquez and Cho did a remarkable job of limiting opponents' chances last season from the back line and will look to do so again. Adlington and Ogunyemi should steady the midfield, while

Toure will seek to once again perform his magic on the front line.

Masato Morioka and Ben Lightner are two other returnees whose experience will be key for the Ocelots to earn a return trip to national tournament play.

"Team chemistry will be a big issue this season," Larson said. "You can't put a finger on chemistry, you just know it when it's there. I think the guys returning are going to pick up the characteristics I want to see and we'll be a pretty competitive team."

Following a trio of scrimmages, including Tuesday versus Davenport and next Friday against U-D Mercy, the Ocelots open regular-season action Saturday, Aug. 29, in Herkimer, New York, against Herkimer County Community College. Schoolcraft's initial home contest won't come until Saturday, Sept. 26, against Ancilla College (Ind.).

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CHURCHILL

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Grohoski will more than likely get the ball to slotback Tony Frezzell, a speedy 5-11, 170-pound senior who must replace first-team All-Observer pick Jeff Ricketts (17 touchdowns).

Juniors Mike Kutek (5-10, 175) and Dean Bokuniewicz (5-6, 135) will also touch the ball with regularity out of the backfield, while senior wideout Marshall Fry (6-2, 170) and senior tight end-punter Zack Goeglein (5-11, 230) will be prime receiving targets.

The offensive line, meanwhile, will be anchored by senior tackle Alex Danke (6-1, 240) and senior center Nick Molencupp (5-9, 250).

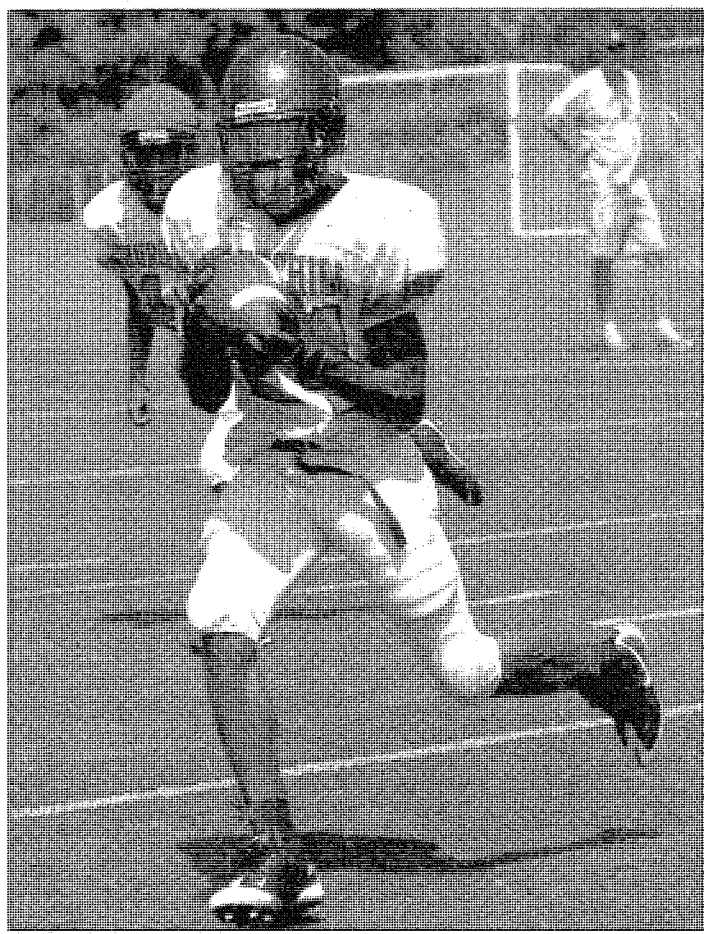
Defensively, Churchill will be in its standard 4-3 stunt scheme. The Chargers must replace their leading tackler Devin Moynihan, a first-team All-Observer pick at linebacker who graduated.

Linebacker Dylan Ochala (6-0, 230) and defensive end Jimmy Atkins (6-3, 220), a pair of juniors who return as starters joined in the secondary by seniors Kevin Pietrasinski (5-8, 170) and Grohoski.

Junior Paulin Chateau (6-3, 240) and senior Billy Bowles (5-10, 220) should also help alleviate the tackling problem backed by senior linebackers Matt Andrzejewski (5-11, 200) and Jimmy Koltunchik (5-11, 175).

"We've made a focus to be better defensively," Filiatraut said. "The second half of the season we had trouble tackling. Last year we were small, but this year we're considerably bigger up front. Last year we had all mediums and one extra-large. This year we'll be able to match up and that should help our tackling."

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Senior Tony Frezzell will move into the starting slotback position for the 2009 Chargers.

FAST FACTS

School: Livonia Churchill. **Head coach:** John Filiatraut, 13th season. **League affiliation:** KLAA Kensington Conference (South Division). **2008 record:** 3-6. **Notable losses to graduation:** Devin Moynihan (first-team All-Area); Jeff Ricketts (first-team All-Area); Grant Morgan (second-team All-Area); Matt Kowalis (second-team All-Area); Nathan Zak, Eric Perlowski, Alex Bay. **Starters returning:** Zack Goeglein, Sr. P-TE (5-11, 230); Tony Frezzell, Sr. Slotback (5-10, 170); Jordan Grohoski, Jr. QB-CB (5-11, 175); Dylan Ochala, Jr. LB (6-0, 230); Jeremy Atkins, Jr. DE (6-3, 220); Kevin Pietrasinski, Sr. DB (5-8-170). **Promising newcomers:** Alex Danke, Sr. OT (6-1, 240); Nick Molencupp, Sr. C (5-9, 250); Paulin Chateau, Jr. OL-DL (6-3, 240); Mike Kutek, Jr. RB (5-10, 175); Dean Bokuniewicz, Jr. RB (5-6, 135); Matt Andrzejewski, Sr. LB (5-11, 200); Jimmy Koltunchik, Sr. LB (5-11, 175); Billy Bowles, Sr. DL (5-10, 220); Marshall Fry, Sr. WR (6-2, 170). **Coach's quote:** "The kids are competing for spots and we haven't solidified things right now. We do have high expectations. We hope to play at the high level the first part of the season and not wait until the second half." **2009 schedule (all 7 p.m. starts):** Aug. 28 (Hartland); Sept. 3 (at Waterford Kettering); Sept. 11 (at Westland John Glenn); Sept. 18 (Livonia Franklin); Sept. 25 (at Plymouth); Oct. 2 (Wayne Memorial); Oct. 9 (Canton); Oct. 16 (KLAA crossover); Oct. 23 (at Livonia Stevenson).

FRANKLIN

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305-pound first-team All-Area tackle Nate Coleman, along with 6-1, 195-pound senior running back Mike Baumgardner, who earned second-team All-Observer honors.

But the big question mark remains quarterback as senior Mike Beasley (6-0, 168) and junior Brent Marzion (5-9, 170) are vying for the starting nod.

"Our offense will be based around the run, which always has opened up the passing game," Kelbert said. "Hopefully we can do the same this year."

"Both are good quarterbacks, but they don't have the experience right now that you have to have to make the reads. Sometimes they look good, and sometimes not so good. But if they can make the third down throws when we need them and don't turn the ball over, it will allow us to move the ball."

Franklin's deep at running back with the return of the speedy Baumgardner along with seniors Mike Gadsby (5-11, 200) and Chris VanTuyl (5-9, 165).

"Baumgardner's a wingback who has gotten pretty strong, he's gained 10-to-15 pounds," Kelbert said. "He's got speed on the edge, but he's become more physical. He wants to put his shoulder down and become a more powerful back."

"Gadsby has decent speed and one of the most athletic on the team. He's got great hands in the open field and can make people miss."

Coleman, who has started since his sophomore year, anchors a senior-laden offensive line that will also include Sean McAuliffe (6-2, 245), Brian Nixon (6-2, 230) and Nate Robinson (6-0, 255), the latter whom missed most of last season after getting



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Franklin's Nate Coleman, a two-year starter on the offensive and defensive lines, works up a sweat during Friday's preseason workout.

injured in last year's 41-40 season-opening overtime loss to Livonia Stevenson.

"The interior line is very good, very strong," Kelbert said. "We've been saying that four of five games we lost last year were because we were physically beaten up front. As a goal, that it is one area that we have to change."

The Patriots open the 2009 season with daunting schedule which includes Division 1 state semifinalist Stevenson (at home) followed by Walled Lake Western (on the road).

"Our goal is to take the program another step forward," Kelbert said. "We've made the playoffs and have had some fine winning seasons, but we'd like to make a drive in our division (KLAA South). With two games left in our division last year we were in first place, then lost our last two. We'd like to be like the '05 team where we're going for a title in our conference and make a playoff run."

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FAST FACTS

School: Livonia Franklin. **Head coach:** Chris Kelbert, ninth season. **League affiliation:** KLAA Kensington Conference (South Division). **2008 record:** 5-5. **Notable losses to graduation:** Mark McRobb (first-team All-Area); Connor Leidal (second-team All-Area); Brandon Lane, David Fortin, Don Stratz. **Starters returning:** Nate Coleman, Sr. DL-OL (6-3, 305; first-team All-Area); Mike Baumgardner, Sr. RB (6-1, 195; second-team All-Area); Sean McAuliffe, Sr. OL-DL (6-2, 245); Mike Gadsby, Sr. RB-DB (5-11, 200); Robert Ringe, Sr. SE-DB (5-9, 140); Chris VanTuyl, Sr. RB (5-9, 165); Brian Nixon, Sr. C (6-2, 230); Dan Derigiotis, Sr. OL (5-10, 248); Nate Robinson, Sr. OL-DL (6-0, 255); Justin Deah, Sr. DB (5-10, 180); Dan Muller, Jr. LB (6-0, 201); Anthony Barber, Sr. DL (6-1, 228). **Promising newcomers:** Blake Lukas, Jr. WR (6-1, 180); Andrew Binder, Sr. TE (6-3, 190); Bobby Andrus, Jr. TE (6-2, 195); Antoine Banks, Sr. LB (6-0, 165); David Dohr, Sr. DB (5-11, 168); Ryan Tarhanich, Sr. DB (5-10, 150); Tino Benavides, Jr. LB (5-9, 176); Mike Beasley, Sr. QB (6-0, 168); Brent Marzion, Jr. QB (5-9, 170). **Coach's quote:** "We're very athletic on both sides of the ball. Our linebackers are undersized, but they can fly. Overall we're more athletic than we've been in the past. We have a good core of linebackers and defensive backs. We only have three guys - McAuliffe, Gadsby and Coleman - that will go both ways and that's going to help us in terms of late in games and not being worn out." **2009 schedule (all 7 p.m. starts):** Aug. 28 (Livonia Stevenson); Sept. 3 (at Walled Lake Western); Sept. 11 (Wayne Memorial); Sept. 18 (at Livonia Churchill); Oct. 25 (Westland John Glenn); Oct. 2 (at Canton); Oct. 9 (at Plymouth); Oct. 16 (conference crossover); Oct. 23 (at Hartland).

Anemic bats cost Rams in AAABA

Michigan Rams manager Rick Berryman can empathize with the Tigers' Jim Leyland.

The Rams' offense was anemic for the second straight day as the New Orleans (La.) Boosters eliminated the Livonia Collegiate Baseball League representative, 3-2, at the 20-and-under All-American Amateur Baseball Association Tournament held Wednesday at Roxbury Park in Johnstown, Pa.

"We couldn't get the big hit to get in a run," said Berryman, whose team collected just four hits and lost a day earlier in

SANDLOT BASEBALL

the double-elimination tournament to Martella's Pharmacy of Johnstown, 2-1. "We had excellent pitching and defense. That wasn't the issue. We played flawless in the infield and the outfield, but did not hit."

Northville High's Steve Anderson (Grand Valley State), a tournament pick-up by the Rams from LCBL Blue Knights, belted a solo homer in the third inning to knot the count at 1-all.

The Rams then went ahead

2-1 in the fourth on back-to-back doubles by Jake Rhodes and Kyle Vesey.

Rams starting pitcher Matt Broder (Michigan) gave up one run on three hits and two walks before being replaced by reliever Tom Whiting in the seventh.

Whiting, who was charged with the loss, then gave up the go-ahead two-run double as New Orleans remained alive in the 16-team tournament.

The Rams, the LCBL runner-up, finished their summer sandlot schedule at 24-15 overall.

THE WEEK AHEAD

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
Saturday, Aug. 22
Oakland Christian Tournament, 8:30 p.m.
West Bloomfield Invitational, 9 a.m.
Mich. Luth. Seminary Tourney, TBA.
BOYS SOCCER
Saturday, Aug. 22
John Glenn at Waterford Mott, 1 p.m.
GIRLS GOLF
Thursday, Aug. 20
Chelsea Invitational, 8:30 a.m.
Friday, Aug. 21
Monroe-Jeff. Inv. at Raisin River, 8:30 a.m.

BOYS TENNIS
Wednesday, Aug. 19
Franklin at Stevenson, 9 a.m.
Wayne at Woodhaven, 10 a.m.
Friday, Aug. 21
Stevenson at W.L. Central, 2:30 p.m.
Taylor Truman Invitational, TBA.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
Wednesday, Aug. 19
Madonna vs. Alumnini, 7 p.m.
MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Friday, Aug. 21
Madonna at Bethel College (Ind.), 8 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Friday, Aug. 14 (Exhibition)
Schoolcraft at Saginaw Valley, 5 p.m.
Tuesday, Aug. 18 (Exhibition)
Madonna vs. Schoolcraft at Greenmead Field, 5:30 p.m.
Thursday, Aug. 20 (Exhibition)
Schoolcraft at Tiffin (Ohio), 5 p.m.
Friday, Aug. 21 (Exhibition)
Madonna at UD-Mercy, 4 p.m.
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Dog days

Canines step out in style at Canton event

BY SHARON DARGAY
OGE STAFF WRITER

Dinah Braun of Canton will don a handmade clown outfit next Saturday and do her best to look the cutest as she struts her stuff in a half-mile walk through Heritage Park in her community.

A lot will be at stake for the 3-year-old entrant. If she wins the "best costume" contest at the park, she'll get a year's supply of treats.

But she'll face some stiff competition from other contestants, like 4 1/2-year-old Abby Slattery of Novi who will portray "Toto" while her mom, Megan Slattery, walks the route in gingham dress and ruby slippers as Dorothy from the Wizard of Oz.

Win or lose, both the Braun and Slattery families say the fun — and fund-raising for the Humane Society of Huron

Valley (HSHV) — is what counts the most.

"I always tell Abby, 'It's for the cause,'" said Slattery, a big supporter of HSHV.

She and her Cairn Terrier, (full name Abby Girl Pelino Slattery) and the Braun family — Kurt and Shawn, with kids Matthew, 11, and Alyssa, 13, and Dinah, their Border Collie/Retriever mix — will be among those participating in the Paw Walk August 22 during the first annual Paws in the Park, a two-day activity-packed event for canines and their families.

"There are so many family-friendly events as well as dog events," Slattery noted. "This event is a must for dog pet people — beautiful setting, great causes and dogs dogs dogs."

Dinah-saurs Team" members, the Brauns, look forward to the variety of events, as well as the costume contest during

the Paw Walk.

Alyssa is eager to see how much money the Paw Walk raises for HSHV.

Her mom, Shawn, noted that there are "a lot of great things to do and see all for a great cause."

MONEY, AWARENESS

Actually, two organizations will benefit. Money from event ticket sales will go toward efforts to create a dog park in Canton. The Paw Walk will generate dollars for HSHV.

But Deb Kern, HSHV marketing director, and Terri O'Brien, founder of Plymouth's Green Street Fair and a Paws in the Park organizer, both say awareness is equally important.

"The Humane Society of Huron Valley is the Humane Society of choice for Plymouth and Canton. A lot of people don't know that," O'Brien said, explaining that dogs lost in those two communities are taken to the HSHV shelter, located in Ann Arbor.

Kern said HSHV serves all of Washtenaw County, in addition to Canton and Plymouth. The Michigan Humane Society, which maintains a shelter in Westland, is a separate entity.



A dog leaps off the dock during an Ultimate Air Dogs show.

"We try let people know that. If their animals get away from them they need to file a lost report with us," she said. "We have contracts with Plymouth and Canton."

"People think the Michigan Humane Society covers all of Michigan, and that's not the case."

In addition to raising money and awareness, Kern said Paws in the Park will help HSHV place pets in new homes through the adoption fair planned for both days.

The shelter cares for approximately 10,000 animals a year, including cats, dogs, rabbits,

hamsters, guinea pigs and birds and maintains a cruelty investigation team.

A new, larger facility is under construction and scheduled to open in the fall.

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"We really need the space. Right now we have room for 110 cats and 70 dogs. We're full. We also have 150 foster families that work with us," Kern said.

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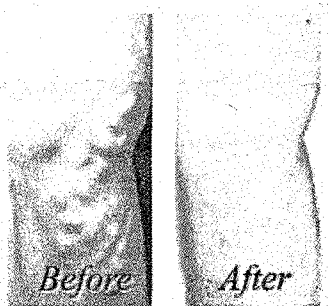
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CANINES

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percent. In the meantime, HSHV has taken a creative approach to placing cats, which tend to "overwhelm" the facility.

"We're doing adoption specials. We had our cat adoption stimulus plan — cats for canned food," Kern said. Anyone who brought in 12 cans of cat food received a free cat if they qualified for adoption. If they paid \$50 for a kitten, they'd get the second one for free.

Kern stressed that applicants must meet adoption requirements.

"We do the same screening for everyone. It takes about 45 minutes to go through the process."

She said Paws in the Park visitors who plan to adopt an animal next weekend will go through that same screening process on site.

For more on HSHV visit www.hshv.org. Or call (734) 662-4365.



See dogs like this member of the Purina Incredible Dog Team demonstrate athletic feats during Paws in the Park, in Canton.

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Schedule: Purina Incredible Dog Team with athletic feats at 10 a.m., noon, 2 p.m., 4 p.m.; Ultimate Air Dogs dive into a 40-foot pool throughout the weekend; Rock n' Roll K9s show off tricks to music at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.; animal adoptions, agility course and vendors both days; first 300 people to enter the park each day receive a swag bag of goodies for their dog.
Paw Walk: Fund-raiser for the Humane Society of Huron Valley, with registration starting at 8 a.m. Saturday. People and pets walk the half-mile course any time from 9-10:30 a.m. Participants are encouraged to dress up their dogs and create a "float." Best float wins a year supply of Canidae dog food. Best costume wins a year supply of treats from Three Dog Bakery. Any walker or team that raises at least \$75 will receive a free dog bandana. \$15 per dog entry fee. Sign up for the walk and receive one free admis-

sion to Paws in the Park. A portion of entry fees will benefit the Humane Society of Huron Valley. Sign up online at <http://hshv.convio.net/pawwalk>. Download a pledge form from www.pawsintheparkusa.com. Click on Paw Walk
Admission: \$4 in advance from Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, (734) 394-5460; Humane Society of Huron Valley, 3100 Cherry Hill Road, Ann Arbor, (734) 662-5585; Pet Supplies "Plus," 43665 Ford Road, Canton, (734) 981-9191 or \$5 at the park. Dogs — they must be on leash — and children 2 and under enter for free
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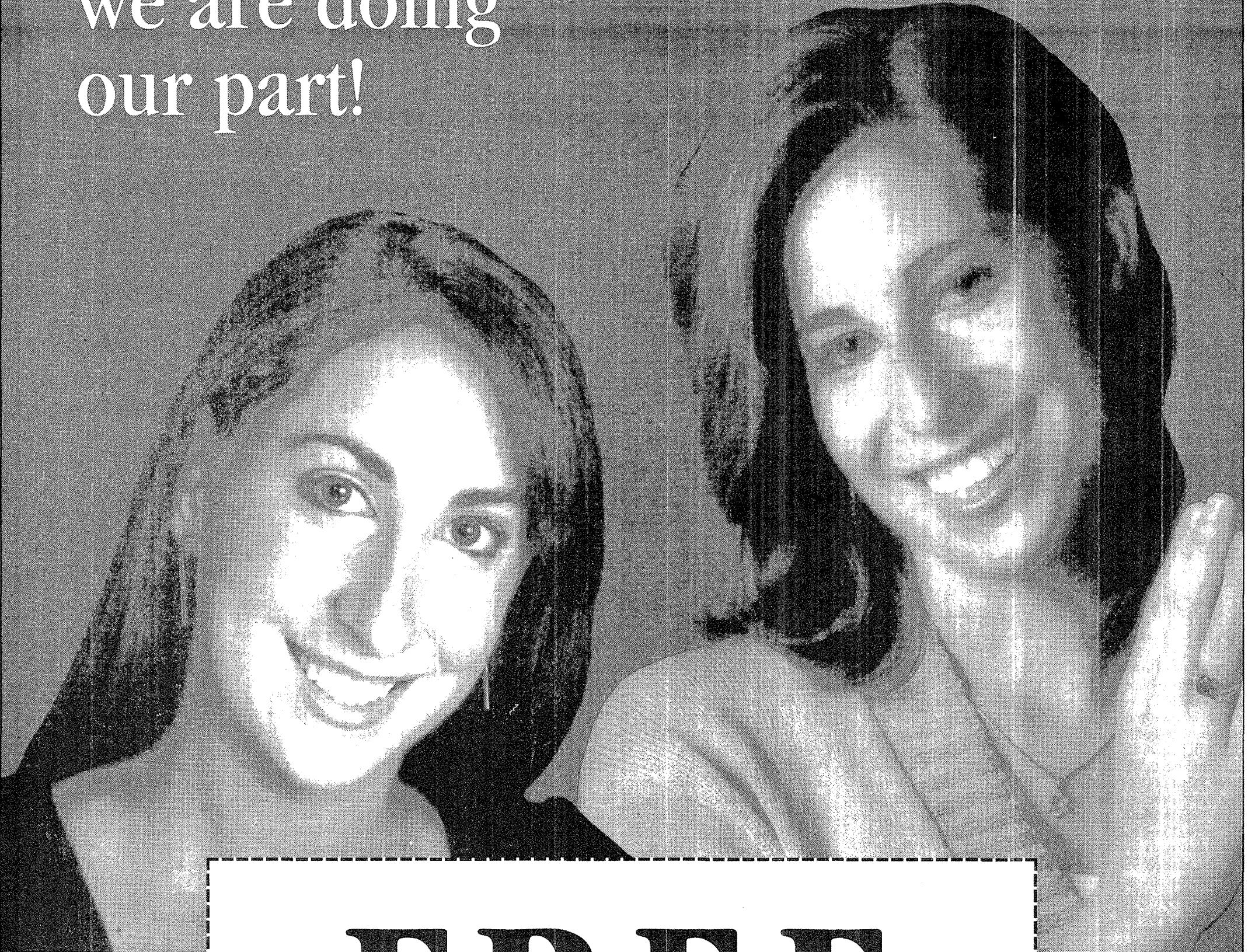
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