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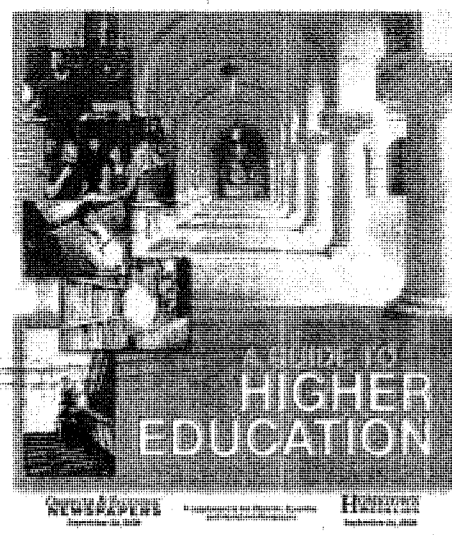
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## AROUND TOWN

### Wild West time

The Petticoat Ladies theatrical troupe will give new meaning to the word WOW when they present *Women Who Helped to Settle the West (WOW)* Tuesday, Oct. 6, at the Westland senior Friendship Center, 119 Newburgh, south of Ford.

Sponsored by the Westland Historical Society, the show will be at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$6 each or \$5 for senior citizens.

Members of Garden City Presbyterian Church, the Petticoat Ladies have a repertoire of five programs, ranging from the *Women Who Helped to Settle the West* show to *Presidential First Ladies, Vaudeville, Cranks and Charmers* and *Mothers of Invention*.

Advance tickets are recommended and are available by calling Jo at (734) 522-3918 or Georgia at (734) 729-1605.

### Grand opening

Tomorrow's the day for the Salvation Army's Wayne-Westland Corps to open its new media center. The festivities take place at 4 p.m. at the corps center on Venoy south of Palmer.

The new center is funded by a \$25,000 grant from the Target Corp. It will provide computer access as well as books and magazines for area residents.

### Fill 'er up

The city of Westland has issued a green alert for residents who want to take their environmental efforts to a new level: The Huron River Watershed Council wants to distribute 500 rain barrels at reduced cost to encourage environmental stewardship.

The 60-gallon barrels retail for \$154.95, including shipping. However, the HRWC will be selling them for \$95 each. The rain barrels must be pre-ordered from HRWC and paid for in advance. Since the quantity is limited, the barrels will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis. There's a limit of 10 per household.

Orders can be placed online at [www.hrwc.org](http://www.hrwc.org). The rain barrels will be available for pickup 1-5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25, in the parking lot of Huron High School.

The rain barrels are from RainBarrelUSA and come with lids. They measure 31 inches tall and 28 inches in diameter. They are dark green in color and have a spigot that can connect to a garden hose, two garden hose-ready overflow valves for directing excess water into yards and gardens, and a mesh cover to keep out woody debris and insects.

For more information, call the HRWC's rain barrel hotline at (734) 769-5123, ext. 20, or send an e-mail [torainbarrels@hrwc.org](mailto:torainbarrels@hrwc.org).

## Breakfast goes universal at 6 WW schools

BY LEANNE ROGERS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

It's often said that breakfast is the most important meal of the day and staff at several Wayne-Westland Schools will attest to that.

The district has expanded its federally funded universal breakfast program, which started on a pilot basis last April at Elliott and Vandenberg elementary schools. Jefferson-Barns,

Lincoln, Taft-Galloway and Hicks elementary schools are now participating in the program, also known as breakfast in the classroom.

"We did the pilot program with a lot of success. We all know how difficult it is for students to learn if they are hungry. They can't maintain attention and they get cranky," said Toni Makino of Aramark Services, who is the district food services director.

The free breakfast program also reduces tardiness, Makino said, as students and parents make a point of being on time so they don't miss the food. The meals are prepackaged and either picked up by the student as they enter the classroom or placed on each desk by the teacher.

"It's been a very positive experience at the school. We were worried about how it would work out with instruction, but it has worked out really

well," said Cortney Kidon, a fifth-grade teacher at Jefferson-Barns. "It's also a way to build community with the students. I've noticed very few tardies in the class."

Some of the youngsters will also save an item from their breakfast to be eaten later as a snack, Kidon said. "I'm not sure if they are still rested from summer, but no one is dragging,"

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The La-D-Dahs Jeff Koslowski of Westland takes a throw at second base during an 1867 rules base ball game. Backing him up is teammate Neil Robert. The team will be in Westland Sunday to face off against the hometown favorite, the Zip-A-Dee-Do-Dahs.

PHOTO BY DWIGHT KOSLOWSKI

## Play ball!

La-De-Dahs vs.  
Zip-A-Dee-Dahs in  
base ball game

BY SUE MASON  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

It's not your father's brand of baseball, it's not even your great-grandfather's style.

When the Greenfield Village La-De-Dahs and the Westland Zip-A-Dee-Doo-Dahs square off for their annual 1867 rules baseball game Sunday, Sept. 27, there will be no mits and foul balls caught on one bounce are out.

This is the third time the two teams have played and Jo Johnson of the Westland Historic Commission hopes it may be the one the hometown team wins.

"The La-De-Dahs are playing for the state championship on Saturday. We're hoping they won't have the vigor to play on Sunday," Johnson said. "The lads have been state champs several times, so they're a pretty elite team."

According to Johnson, the baseball game was the idea of Jeff Koslowski, a member of the La-De-Dahs and the Westland Historic Commission. The first game in 2007 was the first time the La-De-Dahs had ever played in the Historic Base Ball program.

"I saw an opportunity that

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### Rules of the Game

Some of the basics of the game:  
• All pitching is done underhand. It had been that way since the foundation of the sport and while a pitcher is obligated to deliver the ball to the striker (batter) in a fair manner, they were adding speed to the ball. This innovation would lead to pitchers throwing side-armed by the 1880s and eventually into the manner we know today.  
• The field is virtually the same in 1867

as it is today with only a few minor changes. There is no pitcher's mound, but instead a pitcher's box that the pitcher must stay within. There is also no batter's box, but instead a striker's line that a batter must keep one foot in contact with throughout his swing. Otherwise, it is still 90-foot bases like a field today.  
• Balls can be caught after one bounce in foul territory and still be outs. Earlier

in the 1860s, you could catch a ball anywhere on one bounce and it would be an out but by 1867, in order to play the game like a true man, you would catch anything in fair territory on the fly. The umpire does not immediately call balls and strikes. The umpire's job is to ensure the pitcher is throwing the ball fairly or the striker is swinging at good pitches. An at-bat may last 10 pitches or so, depending on the umpire's ruling.

## Readers now have a chance to 'Get Published'

The Observer & Eccentric and Hometown Weekly Newspapers has an exciting new feature designed to forge a more collaborative relationship with readers. *Get Published*, which launched Friday on our website, [Hometownlife.com](http://Hometownlife.com), allows readers to publish stories and photos in a special area devoted just to them.

"Our newspapers feature more

local content than anyone because we have strong ties to the communities we serve," said Publisher Susan Rosiek. "This takes us to another level. Readers will be able to publish stories that may otherwise not get attention."

The *Get Published* section of [Hometownlife.com](http://Hometownlife.com) is just below the middle of our homepage on the left-hand side. Perhaps the best feature

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like to share, log on to [Hometownlife.com](http://Hometownlife.com) and *Get Published*.

Prep sports fans should also look for our new video preview of the games of the week. Featured every Wednesday on our main carousel will be analysis from the best prep sports writers in the business. Our reporters actually go to the games so they can offer insight others can't match.

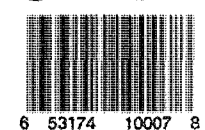
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## Youth Assistance puts out want ad for mentors

BY LEANNE ROGERS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Kids are back in school, now Westland Youth Assistance is looking for some adults to be trained as mentors.

The Mentor Orientation Training sessions are scheduled for 6-9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26; and 5:30-8:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 28. Would-be mentors need to attend all three training sessions.

"We generally hold training a couple of times a year. We have eight or 10 people signed up for the training," Westland Youth Assistance Director Paul Motz said. "I would like to build up our base of mentors. That way, if someone has been matched with a youth and mentored for six months, they could have a

few months off before we ask them (to be mentors) again."

Being a mentor isn't about having all the answers, but rather being a positive role model for local youths. It takes a commitment of as little as one to two hours per week.

"Most folks have fun in the training. They learn how kids communicate and how little direct contact some kids have with responsible adults," Motz said. "It's not gloom and doom. We want mentors to be positive and looking forward to the future. They help the kids come up with goals and identify road blocks."

Not everyone who completes the training will become a mentor, Motz said, some by their choice and others who may not be well-suited for the program.

"On the one hand, I'm always asking for people, but I'm also picky — I have to be," Motz said. "We have to evaluate a person. They can get good stuff from our training, even if they don't become a mentor. They learn about themselves and it helps with them in their relationships."

The responsibilities of a mentor include encouraging and engaging the youth in positive social activities or functions, guiding the youth to improved independent decision making, enhancing the youth's self-concept and self-respect through the relationship and offering encouragement and supporting youths' attempts to better themselves.

When matching mentors and

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# Rosiek named publisher of newspaper group

Sue Rosiek, executive editor of the *Observer & Eccentric* and *Hometown Newspapers*, has assumed the additional responsibility of publisher for the group of community newspapers.



Rosiek

The announcement was made by Susie Ellwood, chief executive officer of Detroit Media Partnership, which manages the business functions for the *Detroit Free Press* and *The Detroit News* and serves as sales agent for the *Observer & Eccentric* and *Hometown Newspapers*. "Sue is a highly talented, multi-faceted leader who drives excellence throughout her organization. She has been an integral part of the successes at these newspapers as well as being an active community member,"

Ellwood said. "Sue is dedicated to local reporting and I am pleased that her title now accurately reflects the great work she does."

Rosiek has held various positions at the *Observer & Eccentric*, including reporter, community editor and managing editor.

She is a member of the Board of Trustees of Saint Joseph Mercy Health System.

Rosiek also is a member of the Livonia Community Marketing Consortium and a founding member of Giving Hope, Women's Giving Circle, a pooled fund of the Canton Community Foundation.

She also serves on the Schoolcraft College Culinary Extravaganza Committee, Farmington Public Schools Turn Around Achievement Awards Committee and Livonia Community Prayer Breakfast.

Rosiek and husband, Steve Barnaby, have one son, Ian Barnaby. They live in

Plymouth Township. Rosiek is a graduate of Michigan State University with a B.A. in journalism.

Detroit Media Partnership, L.P. manages the business functions of the *Detroit Free Press* and *The Detroit News*. As the largest newspapers in Michigan, with two of the most visited Web sites in the market, the *Free Press* and *The News* combine to reach a weekly audience of 2.1 million people.\*

Detroit Media Partnership is the advertising sales agent for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*, *Novi News*, *Milford Times*, *Northville Record*, *South Lyon Herald* and *Livingston County Daily Press & Argus*.

Gannett Co., Inc., owner of the *Free Press*, is the general partner in DMP; MediaNews Group, owner of *The News*, is the limited partner.

SOURCE: 2008 Scarborough Report - August 2006-July 2007, Detroit DMA

# Deaf man pleads guilty to killing girlfriend

BY LEANNE ROGERS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

In the same week a man was sentenced to life in prison for murdering a Westland woman who had ended their relationship, a Westland man had entered a guilty plea to fatally shooting his long-time girlfriend who was initiating a separation.

Under the plea agreement, Timothy Catalano pleaded guilty to second-degree murder and will serve a minimum 22 years in prison for killing Tammy Susalla. He also pleaded guilty to felony firearm, which carries a mandatory two-year prison sentence, but will receive credit for the 749 days he has been incarcerated.

"Love was the motive. She was leaving him, she had a new boyfriend," Westland police Sgt. Steve Borisch said. "They were still living together. That was a bad mistake."

Susalla, 44, was shot once in the head as she lay in bed around 1 a.m. Aug. 27, 2007.

She and Catalano, both deaf, had been a couple for 24 years and shared a home on Gloria, near Merriman and Cherry Hill.

The couple's 19-year-old daughter and her boyfriend were in the basement of the home at the time of the shooting, but told police they hadn't heard a gunshot. The daughter told police she was awakened by her father, who said her mother was hurt and that he was leaving.

Susalla was airlifted to the University of Michigan Hospital, where she died after a day on life support. Catalano, now 46, fled to his father's home in Jackson County's Columbia Township.

"He (Catalano) told his father and his wife (Catalano's step-mother), who is a retired prison guard, that he had shot his girlfriend. They called police," Borisch said. "A number of officers responded. He said he had shot his girlfriend in Westland."

The plea bargain came after

unsuccessful defense efforts to have the confession suppressed. The defense also sought to have Catalano found incompetent.

Following two referrals to the Center for Forensic Psychiatry, Catalano was found competent to stand trial.

"Once the motions to suppress the confession were denied by (Judge) Craig Strong, I figured he'd take a plea," Borisch said. "He (Catalano) told the officers that he had killed her."

While he is convinced Susalla's killing was premeditated — making it first-degree murder, which has a mandatory sentence of life in prison without parole — Borisch said he is satisfied with the plea.

"It was absolutely first-degree murder, but you could get someone funny on the jury and they might not go for first degree," Borisch said. "I talked to the family and they are at peace with it. He'll be in his 70s when, and if, he gets out."

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# Man gets life sentence for killing ex-girlfriend

BY LEANNE ROGERS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A Dearborn Heights man will spend the rest of life in prison for murdering a Westland woman who had ended their relationship.

Robert James-the-First Howard, 26, was sentenced Wednesday to life in prison without chance for parole for killing Laci Green, 22. He was sentenced by Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Michael Hathaway, who had convicted Howard of first-degree murder last month following a two-day bench trial.

Green was found strangled to death in a grassy field near her parents' home in southwest Westland on May 7, 2008.

During the bench trial, there was testimony from Green's parents, friends and police officers about the events surrounding her death.

Based on their investigation, police testified that they believed Howard had taken a taxi-cab to meet and talk to Green outside her home late at night. Police testified that the investigation indicated Howard was angry with Green for ending their relationship and dating another man.

Green's parents testified that they had encountered Howard outside their home on Dunn Court a few hours before their daughter was found dead.

After rejecting two plea bargains, Howard waived his right to a jury trial and instead opted for a bench trial in which the judge renders the verdict. Following two days of testimony, Hathaway found Howard guilty of first-degree murder, a charge that requires the crime be premeditated, and has a mandatory sentence of life in prison with no chance for parole.

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# BREAKFAST

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she said. While the students eat their meals, teachers use the time to take attendance, hold class meetings or other instructional activities. The participating schools have the required 70 percent of students who meet income guidelines for the food program, said Linda Kempton, senior executive director of

business and operations. That qualifies the school for federally funded free breakfast for all the students.

"We are very happy to have the program. We were finding about 75 of 150 eligible students were participating in the reduced (price) food program," Jefferson-Barns Principal Laura Beckman said. "We have less of a tardy line in the office, the students want to be there at 8:50 a.m. I want to say thanks to the district and Aramark for the program."

Board members were enth-

usiastic about the program including feeding all students, which eliminates embarrassment for some students who are eligible for subsidized meals.

"You just serve it to everyone. I think that's wonderful," board member Martha Pitsenbarger said.

"Certainly, it is a no-brainer program. I look forward to brighter eyes and bushier tails among the students," board President Skip Monit said.

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# MENTORS

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youths, Motz said shared common interests can be a factor. "Mentors can't take it personally if a kid rejects them, but we never want a mentor to

reject a youth," Motz said.

Mentors and youths meet in public places and Youth Assistance has been able to obtain grant money to offset costs for dining out or activities that have been paid for by the mentor. For example, nine youths and their mentors were recently able to attend a

Detroit Tigers game, thanks to grant money.

Interested candidates should be age 21 or older, have a safe driving history and be criminal offense free.

For more information, call Motz at (734) 467-7904.

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# Scrapbooking

A scrapbooking workshop will be held 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 16, at Ss. Simon and Jude Parish Hall, 32500 Palmer, east of Venoy, in Westland.

The cost is \$35 per person for a full day and \$20 per person for a half day. For more infor-

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mation, call Karen Kopcak at (734) 634-3934 or Sandy Kopcak at (734) 721-4867.

# Spaghetti dinner

The monthly spaghetti dinners at the Dyer Senior Center in Westland have returned. Stop by the center 4-7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25, and enjoy spaghetti, salad and desert,

as well as entertainment, for just \$6.

The center also has a 1 p.m. Wednesday bingo game, and Tai Chi classes 10-11 a.m. Fridays along with pinocle at 1 p.m. The Dyer Center is at 36745 Marquette, east of Newburgh, in Westland. For more information, call (734) 419-2020.

# BASE BALL

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could benefit both of our programs," the Westland resident said. "The commission was looking to put on new historical events, while the Lah-De-Dahs were looking for additional games to play in September."

He added that the Lah-De-Dahs were attracting larger crowds at Greenfield Village, thanks to renewed interest in baseball generated by the success of the Detroit Tigers. By visiting other cities to play matches, it allowed the Lah-De-Dahs to further spread word of their program, while attracting a larger interest in the history of baseball overall, he said.

"The event in Westland is unique because we are facing a group of city officials in a fund-raising opportunity and not a traditional historic baseball team," Koslowski said.

"We've traveled to as far away as Indiana, Akron, Ohio, and Rochester, New York, for matches against other historic baseball teams. Locally, we play matches in Wyandotte, Northville and Detroit."

The fund-raising game Sunday will be played at 2 p.m. at Westland Jaycee Park at Wildwood and Hunter. Admission to the game will be free, but the Historic Commission will be selling T-shirts, hot dogs, chips and pop to benefit the preservation efforts at the Westland Historic Village Park.

For newbies, next Sunday's event will be a "base ball" game. Baseball was two words in 1867 and it was intended to be played by only the most manly of men. Gloves were rarely used because wearing one went going against the founding

ideals of the game. All pitching was done underhand; there's no batter's box, rather a striker's line, and no pitcher's mound, it's a box.

Koslowski is in his fifth season with the Greenfield Village Historic Base Ball program. He started when he was a presenter at the Henry Ford Museum and "my boss put me in contact with the gentleman who ran the program at the time."

"During that time, the program was expanding the roster to accommodate a second team, the Nationals, at Greenfield Village. Before I knew it, I had my uniform and was headed to Grand Rapids for my first tournament in 2005," Koslowski said.

This will be the Lah-De-Dahs' last game of the 2009 season. They play 1867 rules base ball every Saturday and Sunday from early June until late August inside Greenfield Village.

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#926 Robert Tacco  
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#1112 David Arnold  
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Units contain misc. household items-furniture.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**CITY OF GARDEN CITY**  
**WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

To all residents and interested parties, the legal notices are available for review at our website.

The minutes from regular and special Council meetings are available at: <http://www.gardencitymi.org/minutes>

Current requests for bids and proposals are available at: <http://www.gardencitymi.org/bids>

You can also access this information at Garden City City Hall or the Garden City Library during regular business hours or in the Garden City Police station lobby 24 hours a day.

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**CITY OF GARDEN CITY**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**OCTOBER 5, 2009**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Garden City Council will hold a Public Hearing at the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan on October 5, 2009 at 6:56 p.m. regarding the Plumbing Code Ordinance Amendment.

**STATE OF MICHIGAN**  
**COUNTY OF WAYNE**  
**CITY OF GARDEN CITY**

**REPEAL OF THE ADOPTION OF PLUMBING CODE BY REFERENCE ORDINANCE**

**SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY BY REPEALING SECTION 151.02, ADOPTION OF PLUMBING CODE BY REFERENCE ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY ORDAINS:**

**SECTION 1. REPEAL OF THE ORDINANCE.**

This section provides that Section 151.02, Adoption of Plumbing Code by Reference Ordinance of the City of Garden City Code of Ordinances, be and is hereby repealed.

**SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY.**

This section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance.

**SECTION 3. REPEAL.**

This section provides that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

**SECTION 4. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

This section provides that adoption of this Ordinance does not affect proceedings, prosecutions for violation of law, penalties and matured rights and duties in effect before the effective date of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 5. PUBLICATION.**

This section provides that the Clerk for the City of Garden City shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

**SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This section provides that this Ordinance shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law.

All interested citizens are invited to attend and provide comments. Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the office of the City of Garden City, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan 48135, during regular business hours.

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# I-275 project gets wide political support

BY DARRELL CLEM  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Amid widespread political support, Canton Township officials Tuesday formally submitted a \$20.3 million proposal for federal economic-recovery dollars to dramatically reshape the heavily congested I-275/Ford Road interchange.

The project, if approved, could create hundreds of jobs and have a far-reaching, regional impact on motorists who use the interchange, situated just east of the Ford-Haggerty intersection that ranks among Michigan's most accident-prone spots.

The project has revved up fresh support not only from township officials, but also from the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, retail giant IKEA and leaders from neighboring communities such as Westland, Plymouth Township and Van Buren Township.

The grant proposal, submitted through the Michigan Department of Transportation two months after township officials unveiled the plan, seeks \$20.3 million in federal Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery, or TIGER, funds. The plan comes on the heels of a regional traffic study.

Plymouth-Canton Supt. Craig Fiegel, in a letter to MDOT Director Kirk Steudle, said the project "would greatly improve safety for student busing and pedestrian traffic" in an area including Haggerty Road, where the district has two schools.

The massive project could ease traffic flow for untold motorists in three distinct ways:

- Drivers exiting southbound I-275 could use a new ramp to

access northbound Haggerty, near IKEA, without ever getting onto Ford Road.

- Similarly, motorists exiting I-275 also could access southbound Haggerty by using another new ramp south of Ford.

- Drivers from the area of Cherry Hill Road could access north I-275 by using a northbound service drive along the interstate, bypassing Ford Road.

Tim Faas, Canton's municipal services director, has said the project would be far less costly than installing a completely new interchange. The design phase could begin as early as February, with construction potentially completed in 2012.

Canton Township Supervisor Phil LaJoy, in a letter to Steudle, wrote that "as a major thoroughfare in one of the fastest-growing communities in southeast Michigan, Canton's Ford Road continues to be burdened by higher-than-expected traffic volumes," adding there is a need "to improve vehicular and pedestrian traffic safety" around the I-275 interchange.

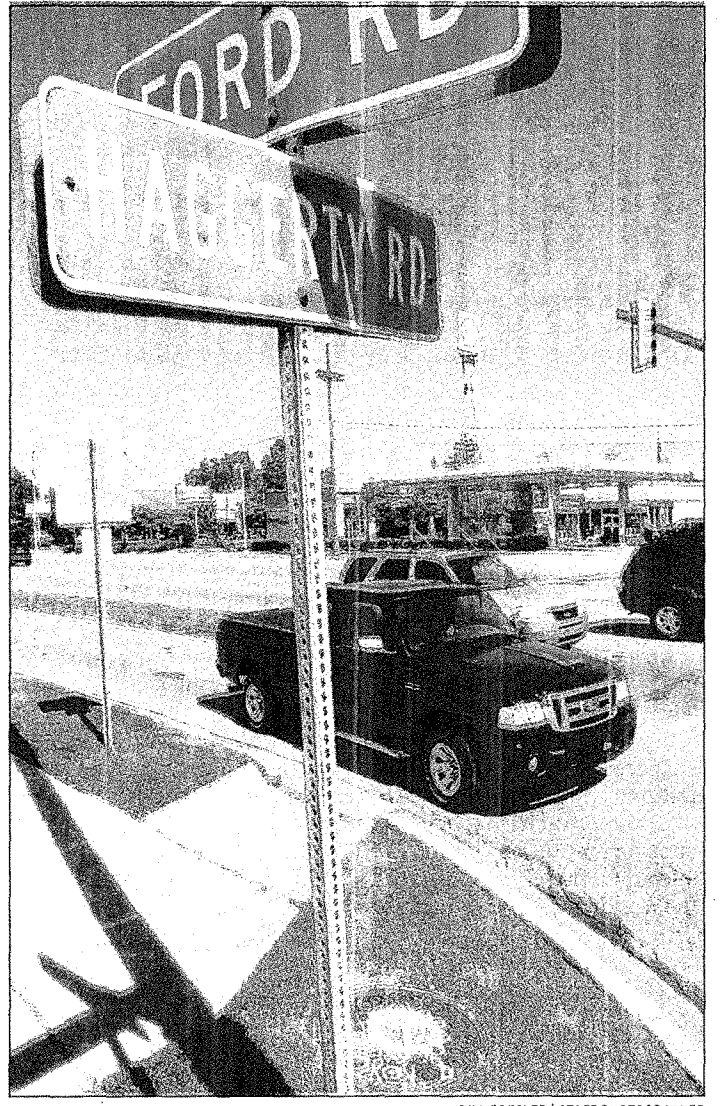
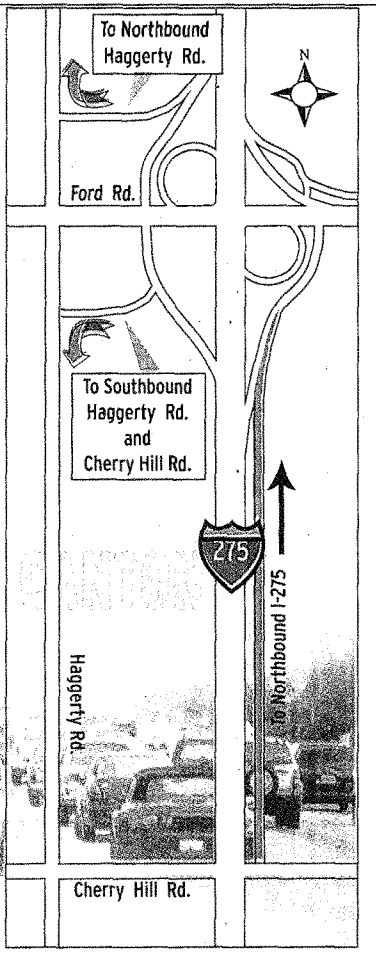
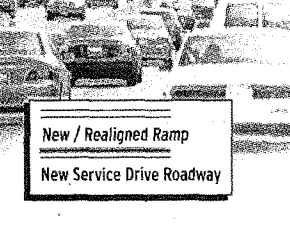
Joseph Roth, IKEA's director of U.S. public affairs, wrote to Steudle and said interchange improvements would "preempt any doubts (other) businesses may have about opening in the Canton community because of any safety or traffic facts/issues they may have heard."

Other letters of support came from Westland Mayor William Wild, 11th District Wayne County Commissioner Kevin McNamara, Plymouth Township Supervisor Richard Reaume, Van Buren Township Supervisor Paul D. White, Canton Downtown Development Coordinator Kathleen Salla, Canton police Lt. Scott Hilden and SEMCOG's Carmine Palombo, director of

## I-275/Ford Rd. Recommended Enhancement Concept

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Canton's plan to improve the I-275/Ford Road interchange could help cut down on traffic, and therefore accidents, at Ford Road and Haggerty, the township's most dangerous intersection.

transportation programs.

Despite the strong support, Faas has said Canton is competing with many other communities for \$1.5 billion in TIGER funds, part of a larger federal stimulus package.

To be sure, a project along the interchange would bring its own share of temporary traffic

snarls, but Faas said the impact of potential lane closings isn't yet known. He said the biggest disruption — again, a temporary one — would likely be on the northbound on-ramp to I-275, which would be "completely reworked."

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# EDUCATION

## District formulates plan for flu season

BY SUE MASON  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Influenza activity continues to hold steady at sporadic levels in Michigan, but school officials are leaving nothing to chance. The Wayne-Westland Community Schools has posted information on its Web site, offering precautions for the upcoming flu season in light of the worldwide H1N1 pandemic.

In a letter to parents, Supt. Greg Baracy said the district will take "many steps to reduce the spread of the H1N1 flu, including cleaning high contact area in addition to normal daily cleaning."

"We want to work with parents to do all we can do to prevent the spread of the flu and keep parents informed," Baracy said.

According to Baracy, the district will post hand washing reminder stickers in all bathrooms and monitor student illness through regular school health reports.

The district also has posted a letter and fact sheet about H1N1 (swine flu) from the Wayne County Department of Public Health.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention are recommending that children between ages 6 months and 18 years be vaccinated against the swine flu. In their letter, the health department's Loretta Davis, health director, and Dr. Talat Danish, medical director, state that the department is working with the CDC and the Michigan Department of Community Health to prevent and manage the spread of the H1N1 flu virus in schools.

"Students and staff with flu-like symptoms are expected to

stay home for a minimum of 24 hours after they no longer have fever or signs of a fever without the use of fever-reducing medicines," they stated.

They added that the department will not advise schools to close "unless absenteeism among staff and students due to flu interferes with the school's ability to function."

The health department plans to hold mass vaccination clinics this fall when the vaccine is available, most likely mid- to late October, and schools will be provided with information on the locations of the clinics once the vaccine is available. Children need two doses of the vaccine spaced three or more weeks apart. The vaccines will be provided free of charge.

Parents are being urged to remind their children to wash their hands often with soap and water or an alcohol-based hand rub, not to share personal items like drinks, food or unwashed utensils, and to cover their coughs and sneezes with tissues or by using the elbow, arm or sleeve instead of the hand when a tissue is unavailable.

The signs and symptoms of the flu include fever of 100 degrees Fahrenheit or greater, cough, sore throat, a runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache and feeling very tired. Some people may also vomit or have diarrhea.

"Do not send children to school if they are sick," Baracy said. "Any child who displays flu-like symptoms while at school will be sent home."

For more information, go online to [www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/parents/](http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/parents/) or visit the Wayne-Westland district's Web site at [www.wwcsd.net](http://www.wwcsd.net).

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### Packing up

Youngsters at Jefferson-Barns and Lincoln Elementary schools have new backpacks filled with school supplies, thanks to the efforts of the Westland Rotary Club, Wayne County Community College District and Westland Community Foundation. Rotarian Jeff Juenemann talks with Lincoln second-grader Mackenna Fountain as he writes her name on her new pink backpack. (At right) Westland Rotarian Antoinette Martin Antoinette Martin jokes with Lincoln Elementary students while distributing the backpacks last week.



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# Take distribution, then reinvest the money

**Q: Dear Rick: I know I do not have to take a minimum required distribution this year, but I'm not sure if it wouldn't be in my best interest to do so. I don't need the money and I'm in a low tax bracket this year. Normally, I am in a higher bracket because although I am retired, I do have a part-time job. This year I work less than I have in the past. My thought is that I should take a distribution because I'm in a lower bracket. What do you think?**

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**Rick Bloom**

A: My general rule is that if you do not need the money from your required minimum distribution, then it probably

would pay to wait. However, one exception to that rule is if you are in a low tax bracket.

In your situation, there's a possibility you will be in a higher bracket next year, so it makes sense to take a distribution this year. I recommend you take a distribution that is a sufficient amount to keep you in the lower tax bracket. Once you remove the money and pay your taxes,

you should turn around and reinvest the money.

When reinvesting the money, consider a Roth IRA. Typically, you are not allowed to take your minimum required distribution and use it for a Roth conversion. However, since in 2009 there is no minimum required distribution, you are eligible to do a Roth conversion. The benefit of doing the Roth conversion is

you are taking money that was growing tax-deferred and converting into tax-free money. In addition, it is not subject to the minimum required distribution rules. Therefore, you can let that money grow tax-free for as long as you choose.

The one downside is the money must stay in the Roth IRA for five years. That does not appear to be a problem in

your situation.

This year presents a rare opportunity for many seniors. Since there is no required minimum distribution, it allows many seniors to take advantage of a Roth conversion when in the past they were not able to. They should reconsider taking that distribution, paying the taxes and converting the money into a Roth IRA.

One recommendation for seniors considering the conversion is, don't wait too long. The transaction must be completed before the end of the year.

**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](http://www.bloomassetmanagement.com).

## Tickets available for GCH benefit

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The event will be 6:30-11 p.m. at Laurel Manor, 39000 Schoolcraft, Livonia. Guests are encouraged to be creative and come in their best intergalactic attire. Astronauts, aliens, Trekkies and planets welcome.

Last year, the 2008 Fall Fund-raiser - 6245th M.A.S.H. - A Salute to the Troops Generation to Generation raised more than \$126,000 for hospital-wide telemetry. The proceeds from this year's event will go towards renovating the Endoscopy Suites.

Tickets are \$75 each. To make a reservation, become a sponsor or for more information, call the Garden

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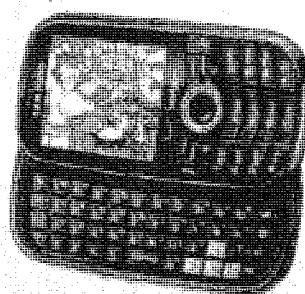
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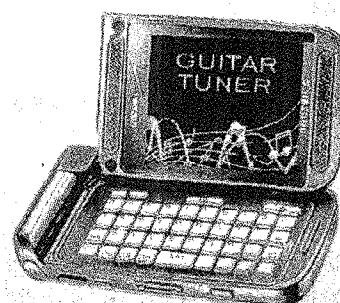
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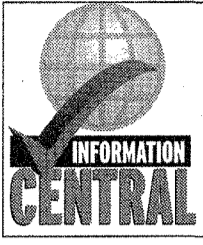
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Over the years, Peace Day has grown substantially on all continents. There are thousands of events organized that millions of people participate in to commemorate this day that include music concerts, parades, festivals, prayer vigils, workshops and

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Some great titles relating to peace can be found at the Westland Public Library. The "Words of Peace: Selections from the Speeches of the Winners of the Nobel Peace Prize," as well as essays Albert Einstein wrote in "Ideas and Opinions" are good places to start. Mark Kurlansky's "Nonviolence: The History of a Dangerous Idea" and "The Essential Gandhi" also provide powerful arguments for peace.

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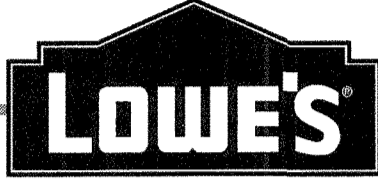
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# New Miss Wayne County aims to SAVE

A 21-year-old Cassopolis woman has been chosen as the new Miss Wayne County.

Moments after being selected, Anjelica Francisco, shared her excitement about winning the Miss Wayne County title. "I am already looking forward to my duties this year - traveling, meeting new people, and getting the word out about my platform, which is SAVE: Students Against Violence Everywhere," said Francisco.

As Miss Wayne County, Francisco receives a \$630 scholarship and the opportunity to compete for the Miss Michigan title in Muskegon on June 19, 2010. Currently a student at Eastern Michigan University and an intern at the 34th Judicial District Court in Wayne County, Francisco is majoring in psychology and hopes to pursue a private practice in psychology.

During her year as Miss Wayne County, Francisco will travel throughout the state advocating her platform

issue. She will talk to various government representatives, business leaders, community groups and citizens-at-large, urging them to get involved promoting community safety.

"Anjel Francisco embodies the qualities a role model for young women and girls should have," said Sheila Sigro, executive director of the Miss Wayne County Scholarship Program. "She's talented, ambitious and accomplished. We are excited about working with her this year."

Held at Livonia Church Hill High School Sept. 12, the Miss Wayne County Competition featured eight contestants from around the Wayne County area.

First runner-up and talent award recipient was Rachel Manna of Farmington Hills, a student at the University of Michigan, Dearborn. The second runner-up was Paula Langley of Novi, a student at Marygrove College.

The third runner-up and

Community Service Award recipient was Elyse Losen of Belleville.

Lauren Allen of Inkster received the Non-Finalist Talent Award and People's Choice Award, while she tied with Loden for Miss Congeniality.

Rounding out the contestants were Jessica Wells of Belleville, Danielle Williams of Newport, Michigan, a student at Wayne State University, and Teresha Hendricks of Westland.

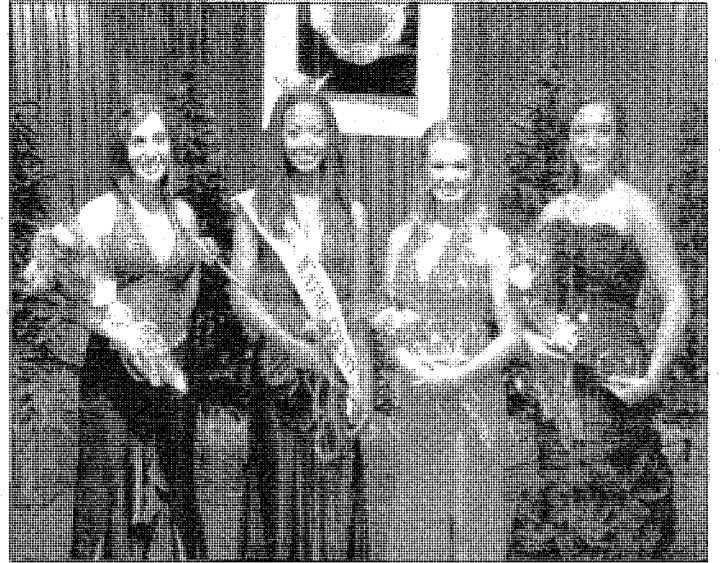
Established in 1991, the Miss Wayne County Scholarship Program provides opportunities for young women to achieve their personal and professional ambitions. Contestants also participate in community service activities and develop leadership skills that help them excel in their chosen career and life goals. A not-for-profit affiliate of the Miss America Organization, winners of the annual Miss Wayne County Competition are eligible to



Danielle Williams of Newport (left) and Lauren Allen (right) watch as Nicole Blaszczyk crowns Wayne County 2009 Anjelica Francisco.

compete in the Miss Michigan Competition, held every year in Muskegon in June.

For more information about the Miss Wayne County and Miss America Organizations, go online to [www.misswayne-county.org](http://www.misswayne-county.org) and [www.missamerica.org](http://www.missamerica.org).



Rachel Manna (from left) is first runner-up to Anjel Francisco, Miss Wayne County 2009, with Paula Langley, second runner-up and Elyse Losen third runner-up.

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# Crowd thrills to Steinem's call for social activism

BY SANDRA ARMBRUSTER  
ECCENTRIC STAFF WRITER

A record-breaking crowd welcomed a vintage Gloria Steinem to Congregation Shaarey Zedek in Southfield as she exhorted the members of the National Council of Jewish Women/Greater Detroit Section to become active in the fight for women's rights.

Setting the tone for her talk, Steinem told the 350 women, who gathered in the sanctuary after lunch last week, that she hoped they would "leave with a new idea ... or a subversive organizing tactic."

She may have been only partly joking, as she repeatedly encouraged the women, who came from throughout southeast Michigan, to share their organizing activities. No one complied, except NCJW national President Nancy Ratzan who, in answer to a question, spoke of her work on the national health care initiative and other NCJW issues.

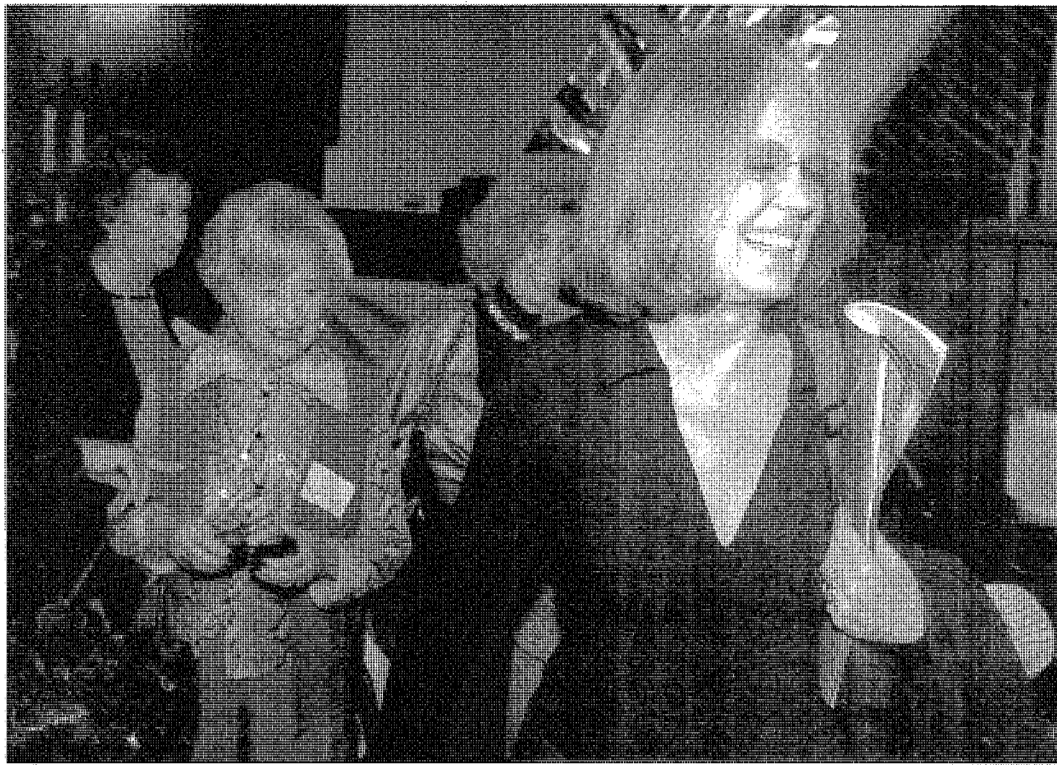
An author and political activist, Steinem founded *Ms.*, a national magazine for and by women, and *New York* magazine. She also was responsible for Take Your Daughter to Work Day.

She has been an outspoken advocate for unions and feminist causes and reportedly worked for failed Democratic presidential candidates Eugene McCarthy and George McGovern. Steinem, now 75, was a co-founder of the National Women's Political Caucus in 1971.

Steinem currently is working with Smith College to document the grass-roots nature of the women's rights movement.

Ratzan described Steinem as "one of the greatest visionary heroines in American history."

Steinem's book, *Outrageous Acts and Everyday Rebellions*, "is really what the National Council of Jewish Women work at doing," said President Cathy Cantor of the NCJW/Greater



Gloria Steinem makes her way through Shaarey Zedek in Southfield, where she spoke Tuesday to members of the National Council of Jewish Women.

Detroit Section and a West Bloomfield resident. "So she is the perfect speaker for our organization. She's an icon ... This is a treat."

Steinem's speech came at the Women of Vision event, a benefit that supports NCJW community service and advocacy programs.

Steinem started off her speech with the equal pay struggle, which she said is generally the easiest to grasp, but at the core of all women's issues is reproductive freedom, she said.

"It is the single, fundamental issue ... the only way to control" how many men are available for the army to how racial groups grow, she said. "It is the area of most resistance against all logic of economics."

"Yet the need to control reproduction is so deep, deep in the political struggle." According to Steinem, the proposed health care insurance



Mostly women - members of the National Council of Jewish Women - fill the audience for Gloria Steinem's speech at Shaarey Zedek in Southfield.

bill may not cover reproductive health issues, including abortion. Steinem added that women use medical services one-third more than men, solely due to their reproductive functions.

During a question and answer session, an audience member commented that in Florida, pharmacists have the option to not fill birth control

prescriptions.

Noting that commercials carry information on Viagra used to treat erectile dysfunction, the woman suggested that commercials carry information on what pharmacies to use.

Some insurance companies consider domestic violence a pre-existing condition when it comes to paying for treatment, Steinem said. She laid blame

## Magazine set life course for woman business owner

BY SANDRA ARMBRUSTER  
ECCENTRIC STAFF WRITER

Darby Trapp recalls when her aunt gave her a subscription to *Ms.* magazine, which was founded by feminist Gloria Steinem. Trapp was in high school at the time.

That's how she became involved in women's issues, the Redford resident said. Trapp attended with a family member a speech Tuesday by Steinem, a feminist and author, before the National Council of Jewish Women Congregation Shaarey Zedek in Southfield.

"Then I became a woman in business," she said. And the rest is a history that includes joining the NCJW in marches in Washington, D.C., and Lansing.

Like Steinem, Trapp said she has been interested in the history of the feminist movement. Steinem currently is working with Smith College on a history of the grass-roots nature of the movement.

"I think back about how

much different it is now," Trapp said.

Steinem would agree only up to a point. She said that women used to make 59 cents of each dollar earned by a male. Now it's up to 77 cents, she said: "We have a way to go."

But Trapp wondered whether the younger generations of women can appreciate the changes.

That's something like what is concerning Abbey Brasch-Nathan, of Bloomfield, who is forming a new group within the NCJW called Next Generation.

"The goal is to bring people in their 20s to their 40s into the fold," she said, "because the majority are" her mother's age.

National NCJW President Nancy Ratzan described Rosenberg as the "ultimate collaborator" and mentor, who always brings back fresh ideas.

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for all violence, including terrorism, at the feet of domestic violence.

"It normalizes every other violence," she said, describing it as a "superiority crisis."

Steinem worried out loud that the nation is in a "time of maximum danger" from the "ultra-right wing." Just as women who are about to leave an abusive spouse are at "maximum danger," she said, "it is becoming more and more clear to me ... that is what is happening to this country."

She cited as examples that neo-Nazi membership is up, as are gun ownership and anti-gay violence. "It is a time of maximum opportunity ... and also a time of great danger," she said.

Paula Wolfe of Bloomfield Hills, a 35-year member of NCJW, remarked before

Steinem spoke that the activist has had an impact.

"She made it possible for women my age (to fight) discrimination ... and for my daughter not to question that she can be what she wants," Wolfe said.

Steinem concluded her hour-long presentation by encouraging the audience to do one "outrageous thing" for the cause of social justice, whether it be "running for office ... or saying 'pick it up yourself.'"

"If you do that, I promise I will, too, and 48 hours from now, the world will be better," Steinem said. "You'll have such a good time that (it won't be a matter of) will you (do another outrageous act), but which outrageous thing you'll do."

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### CITY OF GARDEN CITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OCTOBER 5, 2009

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Garden City Council will hold a Public Hearing at the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan on October 5, 2009 at 6:59 p.m. regarding the Conveyance of City Property Ordinance.

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
COUNTY OF WAYNE  
CITY OF GARDEN CITY

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

#### CONVEYANCE OF CITY PROPERTY ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY PROVIDING FOR THE CONVEYANCE OF THE HIGH SCHOOL POOL PROPERTY TO THE GARDEN CITY SCHOOLS IN EXCHANGE FOR THE MAPLEWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER PROPERTY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

#### THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY ORDAINS:

##### SECTION I. PURPOSE.

Pursuant to City Charter Section 5.02 and subject to all of the conditions contained in one herewith approved Real Estate Exchange Agreement between the City of Garden City and the Garden City Schools for the exchange of the Maplewood School property at 31735 Maplewood for the City owned High School property, the City does hereby convey to the Garden City Schools a parcel of property commonly known as the High School Pool, Tax Parcel Identification Number 350090400185000, having the legal description of Lots 185 to 188 and the West 1/2 of Lot 189, including 1/2 of vacated Dover Avenue, Garden City Subdivision, as recorded in Liber 47, page 25 of Plats, Wayne County Records.

##### SECTION II. SEVERABILITY.

If any clause, sentence, section, paragraph or part of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person, firm, corporation, legal entity or circumstances, shall be for any reason adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, said judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to the legislative intent of this body that the Ordinance is severable, and that the Ordinance would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional provision not have been included in this Ordinance.

##### SECTION III. REPEAL.

All Ordinance or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

##### SECTION IV. SAVINGS CLAUSE.

All rights and duties which have matured, penalties which have been incurred, proceedings which have begun and prosecution for violations of law occurring before the effective date of this Ordinance are not affected or abated by this Ordinance.

##### SECTION V. PUBLICATION.

The Clerk for the City of Garden City shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

##### SECTION VI. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law.

All interested citizens are invited to attend and provide comments. Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the office of the City of Garden City, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan 48135, during regular business hours.

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### CITY OF GARDEN CITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OCTOBER 5, 2009

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Garden City Council will hold a Public Hearing at the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan on October 5, 2009 at 6:58 p.m. regarding the BOCA Mechanical Code Ordinance Amendment.

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
COUNTY OF WAYNE  
CITY OF GARDEN CITY

#### REPEAL OF THE ADOPTION OF BOCA MECHANICAL CODE BY REFERENCE ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY BY REPEALING SECTION 151.03, ADOPTION OF BOCA MECHANICAL CODE BY REFERENCE ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

#### THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY ORDAINS:

##### SECTION 1. REPEAL OF THE ORDINANCE.

That Section 151.03, Adoption of BOCA Mechanical Code by Reference Ordinance of the City of Garden City Code of Ordinances, be and is hereby repealed.

##### SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY.

If any clause, sentence, section, paragraph or part of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person, firm, corporation, legal entity or circumstances, shall be for any reason adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, said judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to the legislative intent of this body that the Ordinance is severable, and that the Ordinance would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional provision not have been included in this Ordinance.

##### SECTION 3. REPEAL.

All Ordinance or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

##### SECTION 4. SAVINGS CLAUSE.

The repeal(s) herein shall not abrogate or affect any offense or act committed or done, or any penalty or forfeiture incurred, or any pending litigation or prosecution of any right established or occurring prior to the effective date of this Ordinance, as amended.

##### SECTION 5. PUBLICATION.

The Clerk for the City of Garden City shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

##### SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law.

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### CITY OF GARDEN CITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OCTOBER 5, 2009

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STATE OF MICHIGAN  
COUNTY OF WAYNE  
CITY OF GARDEN CITY

#### REPEAL OF THE ADOPTION OF ELECTRICAL CODE BY REFERENCE ORDINANCE

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY BY REPEALING SECTION 151.04, ADOPTION OF ELECTRICAL CODE BY REFERENCE ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

#### THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY ORDAINS:

##### SECTION 1. REPEAL OF THE ORDINANCE.

This section provides that Section 151.04, Adoption of Electrical Code by Reference Ordinance of the City of Garden City Code of Ordinances, be and is hereby repealed.

##### SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY.

This section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance.

##### SECTION 3. REPEAL.

This section provides that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

##### SECTION 4. SAVINGS CLAUSE.

This section provides that adoption of this Ordinance does not affect proceedings, prosecutions for violation of law, penalties and matured rights and duties in effect before the effective date of this Ordinance.

##### SECTION 5. PUBLICATION.

This section provides that the Clerk for the City of Garden City shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

##### SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Anniversary**  
St. Damian is celebrating 50 years of having St. Damian School and more than 50 years of being part of the Westland community with its fall festival 2-11 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3, and noon-5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 4. The festival will feature live music by Steve King and the Dittillies on Saturday and the Polish Dukes on Sunday. There will be casino games and bingo, games for the kids, bouncers and inflatables, 50/50 drawings, tin can alley, grand raffle drawing, bake sale and more. There also will be a baked pasta dinner, catered by Vintage Market, on Saturday and a Polish dinner, catered by Halina's, on Sunday. St. Damian is at 30055 Joy. For more information, visit the church Web site at [www.stdamian.com](http://www.stdamian.com) or call (734) 421-6130.

**For widowed men and women**  
Widowed men and women are invited to celebrate Mass together and stay for refreshments and fellowship on Sunday, Sept. 20, at St. Thomas a'Becket Church, 555 S. Lilley Road, just south of Cherry Hill, Canton. Check in by 2:15 p.m.; Mass is at 2:30. The program is sponsored by Widowed Friends, a peer group in the Archdiocese of Detroit. Come meet new friends in a safe, friendly setting. Call Pat at (734) 459-5508 or Justine at (734) 455-6939 for more information.

**TOPS meetings**  
TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 869 Westland is looking to meet new members at Adams Senior Village, 2001 Kaley Ave., south of Palmer, Westland. The group which meets on Mondays is for people age 18 and older. Weigh-ins are at 5:30 p.m., followed by the meeting at 6:15 p.m. Come see what TOPS can do for you. Call Brenda at (734) 729-3833

**4-H program**  
The Wayne County 4-H Children's Garden is inviting youngsters to enjoy an evening of excitement as they explore what happens in the garden after dark 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25. The program, While the Garden Sleeps, will include a presentation by the Organization for Bat Conservation with live nocturnal animals. Where: The Wayne County 4-H The event is free, open to the



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**Young Marines**  
The Young Marines, a youth education and service programs for boys and girls ages 8 through completion of high school, is holding orientation classes Thursday, Sept. 14 and,

21, at the Summit, 46000 Summit on the parkway, Canton. The Young Marines promotes the mental, moral, and physical development of it's members. The program focuses on character building, leadership and promotes a healthy, drug free lifestyle. The fee to join is \$45, which covers insurance, T-shirt, manual and cover (hat). Upon joining a local Young Marine unit, recruits undergo a 26-hour orientation program, generally spread out over several weekly meetings. The necessary enrollment and administration documents to enroll children can be downloaded from the Young Marines Web site, [www.cantonyoungmarines.com](http://www.cantonyoungmarines.com). Classes are 5-7:30 p.m. Mondays. After approximately four weeks, there is a \$125 charge for the uniform, blouse, trousers, boots, dog tags, I-D cards, etc. For more information, call Charles Volker, Young Marines commander, at (734) 961-5059.

**Ronald McDonald House Gala**  
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**Crafters needed**  
Crafters are needed for St. Damian's annual fall arts and craft show that will be held 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17, in the gym and community room, 30055 Joy, Westland. For more information or an application, call the parish office at (734) 421-6130.

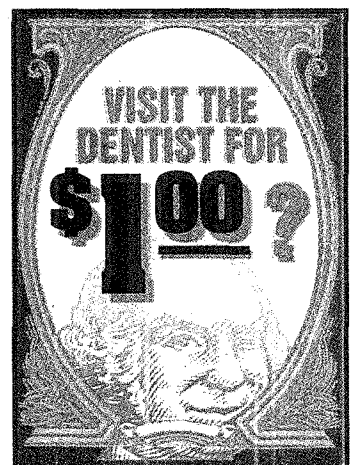
• St. Theodore Church will hold a craft show 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10 in the social hall, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. There will be 75 crafters, hourly 50/50 raffle, large raffle, bake sale, food and beverages. Admission is free. For more information, call Mary at (734) 425 4420.

• Crafters are needed for the 21st annual Arts and Crafts Show Saturday, Nov. 21, at Sts. Peter & Paul Church Hall, 750 N. Beech Daly, Dearborn Heights. For more information, call Deb Moga at (248) 946-0173 or Virginia Moore at (734) 522-9653.

**Community Baby Shower**  
Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency's 12th Annual Community Baby Shower will be held 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24, at Wayne County Community College's Downriver Campus in Taylor. The Community Baby Shower is a free event for low-income expectant parents and those with infants up to 3 months of age by Sept. 24. Parents will receive valuable information and resources regarding their new bundles of joy. Guest speakers will share information regarding family safety, parenting tips and healthy relationships. Participants will also enjoy lunch, prizes and raffles throughout the event. Call for information regarding on-site childcare. Space is limited. Call (734) 246-2280, Ext. 122, for more information or to register. Callers who reach a voice mailbox should leave their name and telephone number so that their call can be returned and the registration process can be completed.

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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.

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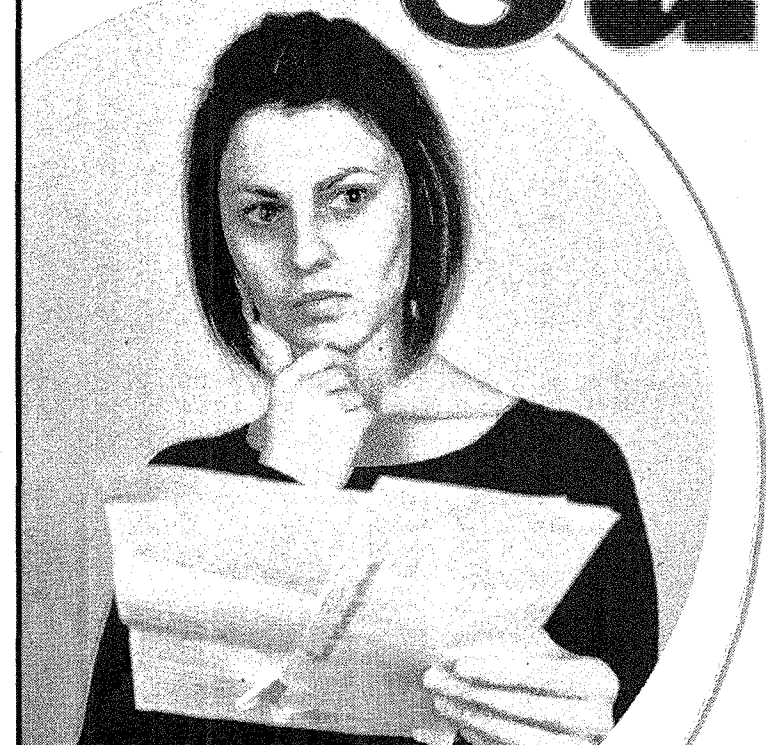
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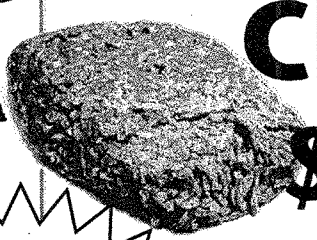
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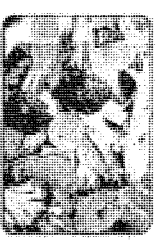



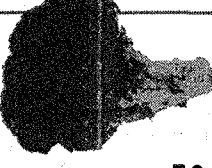
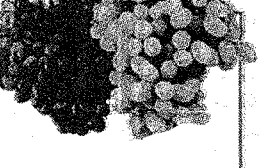
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Remarkable milestone for Florine Mark's luncheon Health, B10

# Canton juggernaut takes down Rockets, 44-6

## SIDELINES

### Blazers stick DCD

Gaby Mayer tallied a pair of goals Friday as Livonia Ladywood earned a 3-1 Michigan High School Girls Field Hockey League Division II victory at Farmington Hills Mercy. Jamie Benaglio also scored for the Blazers, now 4-3 overall and 2-1 in the league. Assists went to Christina Eroyan and Jackie Snyder. Ladywood goalie Marissa Ellsworth made seven saves. Mercy falls to 2-2-1 and 1-1.

On Wednesday, Mayer scored twice, including a second-half penalty stroke, to give host Ladywood a 2-0 Division II victory over Beverly Hills Detroit Country Day.

Elswood had to make only one save for the Blazers, who evened their overall record to 3-3 and 1-1 in the league. Amanda Tapp stopped seven shots for the Yellowjackets, who fall to 1-3-1 overall and 1-1 in the league.

### MU golfers second

On Wednesday, the Madonna University men's golf team placed second in Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference's Jamboree No. 4 at The Highlands at the Elks Country Club in Grand Rapids.

Cornerstone placed first with a four-player total of 299 followed to MU (301), Davenport (304), Indiana Tech (313), Aquinas (331), Siena Heights (336) and Concordia (348).

Cornerstone's Ben Vanbiesbrouck was individual medalist with a 2-under 70. The Crusaders' Steve South (Livonia Franklin) and Brett Quittiquit took third and fourth, respectively, with an even-70 and 1-over 73.

Other MU scorers included Tommy Lucko (Livonia Churchill) and Jimmy Uelmen, tied for 13th (78 each); Kyle Lawrey, tied for 20th (80); and Nick Sears, tied for 25th (83).

### College volleyball

Karie Altman's 17 kills Friday night powered the host Madonna University women's volleyball team to a 25-27, 25-13, 25-9, 25-21 win over University of Michigan-Dearborn.

MU is now 14-1 overall and 3-0 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference, while the Wolves fall to 3-12 and 0-3.

Liz Dempsey (Livonia Franklin) and Mary McGinnis each added 11 kills.

Dempsey also had a team-high 19 digs while Amanda Koszela added 17. Senior setter Inta Grinvalds finished with 51 assist-to-kills for the ninth-ranked Crusaders.

Mallori McGuckin paced UM-Dearborn with a team-high 10 kills. Chelsea McCune and Michelle Porada contributed 14 and 12 digs, respectively.

The Wolves also got 18 assist from Kristen Heator. On Thursday, Dempsey recorded a team-high 11 kills and 10 digs Crusaders rolled to a 25-21, 25-17, 25-14 win at home over Concordia University.

Katie Czarniecki added 10 kills, while Grinvalds had 41 assist-to-kills as the Crusaders improved to 13-1 overall and 2-0 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

Ashley Hart had 11 kills for the Cardinals (10-7, 1-1). On Thursday, host Schoolcraft College earned a 25-17, 25-10, 25-22 MCCA Eastern Conference win over Henry Ford CC.

The Lady Ocelots, who fell in four games Tuesday at St. Clair County CC, are 9-4 overall and 6-1 in the conference.

BY TIM SMITH  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

All week, the talk of the KLAA South was Friday's clash of offensive giants in host Canton and Westland John Glenn.

However, it didn't take long for the Chiefs to get the upper hand. A 93-yard touchdown by senior Arron Boudreaux on the opening kickoff gave the Chiefs the kind of spark they were looking for and Canton rolled to a 44-6 triumph.

Canton improved to 4-0 overall and 2-0 in the South Division, while the Rockets dropped to 3-1 and 1-1. "That's huge," Chiefs head coach Tim Baechler said about the Boudreaux TD. "Anytime you're in

a big game, the key is to get off to a great start and get your kids excited. Then your best player makes a big play and everybody believes."

Boudreaux reached up to field the kickoff, bobbled the ball slightly — and took off.

"I'm glad he tried to catch it instead of letting it go over his head," Baechler added. "But he fielded it well and then he was gone."

John Glenn senior standout Jeremy Langford (204 all-purpose yards) quickly got that TD back. Out of the single-back "Wildcat" formation, Langford took a high snap and galloped 57 yards down the right side to make it 7-6 with 9:42 left in the first.

The extra point missed the mark, and that was as close as the Rockets

managed to get because Canton scored two more times in the first quarter.

Once again, Canton's prowess on special teams proved big. Junior Ryan Powell's 57-yard kickoff return into John Glenn territory set up a short drive that was capped off by senior tailback Adam Payter's 20-yard TD run. Payter gained 64 yards in nine carries as part of a multi-pronged running game.

"You just can't find the ball," John Glenn coach Tim Hardin said. "They have this offense where you can't find where the ball was."

Chiefs senior quarterback Kevin Delapaz (11 rushes for 115 yards) then broke through the line on a first-down play and took it 82 yards

for the score to make it 21-6 (with Conner Shennan making one of five extra points).

Before halftime, Shennan's 22-yard chip-shot field goal made it 24-6.

If the Rockets thought about a comeback, it was a short-lived idea. Canton's Garrett Bryden knocked the football out of John Glenn quarterback Steve Kulikowski's hands and senior Dakota Dark-Bird recovered it.

Just four plays later, junior Davion Stackhouse scored on a 20-yard run.

Finishing the scoring for the Chiefs were senior Ron Gaudi and junior Sam Scott on 1-yard plunges in the fourth.

Please see **ROCKETS, B3**

# Pats fend off Chargers, 24-14

# Soaring Eagles cruise past Cougars, 47-18

BY BRAD EMONS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The kicking game proved to be pivotal Friday night as Livonia Franklin gained a leg up on rival Livonia Churchill with a 24-14 football win.

The Patriots, who improved to 3-1 overall and 2-0 in the KLAA's South Division, blocked a punt which led their first touchdown, kicked a late first-half field goal and blocked another field goal try when Churchill threatened late in the game.

Churchill, which slipped to 1-3 and 0-2, also missed a short field goal try in the opening quarter and had an extra-point attempt clang off the right upright following a TD in the second quarter.

Franklin was able to withstand Churchill's bid despite losing senior running back Mike Gadsby, the team's top rusher, to a dislocated ankle while making a tackle late in the first quarter.

Senior Chris VanTuyll picked up the slack in Gadsby's absence, rushing 22 times for 145 yards.

"Mike (Gadsby) has been our best player the last three weeks," Franklin coach Chris Kelbert said. "He's been our offense and we'll miss him. But we have to play through it."

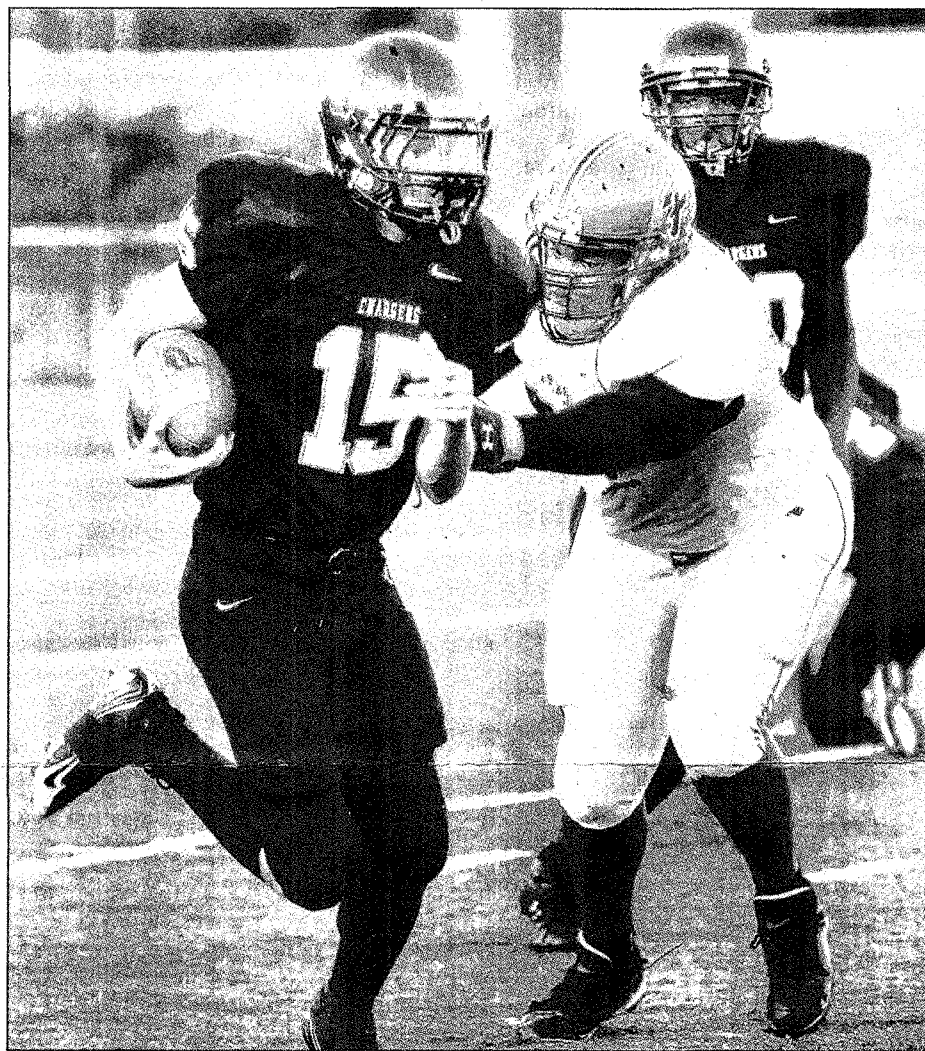
"I challenged Chris (VanTuyll) after the first series. He wasn't running hard. He had to carry the weight and get it done — and he did."

With 7:33 left in the first quarter, Franklin's Matt Roos blocked a Churchill punt and teammate Blake Lukas caught it out of mid-air and returned it to the Chargers' 7.

VanTuyll ran it in for the TD and Travis Matthey booted the extra point for a 7-0 Franklin lead just five seconds later.

With 6:01 remaining in the first quarter, Franklin's Wayne Hawkins recovered a Churchill fumble at midfield and the Patriots scored three plays later on Gadsby's 34-yard cutback run as he eluded several Churchill tacklers.

The Chargers, however, took advantage of a Franklin fumble that Mike Kutek recovered at the Patriots' 39. Four plays later, Churchill quarterback Jordan Grohoski scored on a 1-yard run to make it 14-6 with 3:30 left, but it remained an eight-point spread after the extra point failed.



STEPHEN CANTRELL / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Churchill quarterback Jordan Grohoski is corralled by Franklin tackler Nate Coleman during Friday's KLAA South Division clash.

Franklin then marched 60 yards in nine plays and got a 30-yard field goal from Matthey as the halftime clock expired to take a 17-6 lead.

In the third quarter, Churchill quarterback Jordan Grohoski, who was 12-of-17 for 201 yards, hit Tony Frezzell over the middle and the speedy senior slotback ran it in from 65 yards out to make it 17-12 with 5:53 left in the third quarter. The Chargers converted the two-point play, Grohoski to Frezzell again, to cut the deficit to three points.

Franklin, however, responded with an eight-play, 65-yard drive capped by Mike Baumgardner's 21-yard TD run on a

sweep with 1:54 left in the third.

"They (Franklin) are a good team, big and physical," Churchill coach John Filiatraut said. "With the offense they run, they can control the clock. We just couldn't get off the field and get a stop."

Down two scores again, Churchill then put together a lengthy drive, getting all the way down to the 3 midway through the final quarter, but Franklin junior linebacker Dan Muller came up with two big plays, sacking Grohoski for 2-yard loss on second down and blocking Justin Choma's 20-yard field-goal attempt.

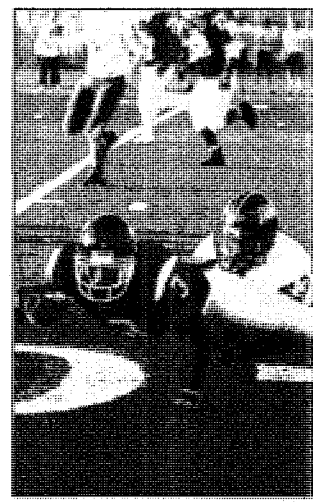
Please see **PATS, B3**

Redford Thurston is making its presence known loud and clear in the newly-formed Western Wayne Athletic Conference's Red Division. The Eagles piled up 486 total yards, including 404 on the ground, en route to a convincing 47-18 win Friday night at home over previously unbeaten Dearborn Heights Annapolis.

Thurston, now 3-1 overall and 2-0 in the WWAC's Red Division, had three players rush for more than 100 yards, including quarterback Gary Kostecki (11 carries for 118 yards), Desmond Martin (12 for 111) and William Webster (five for 104).

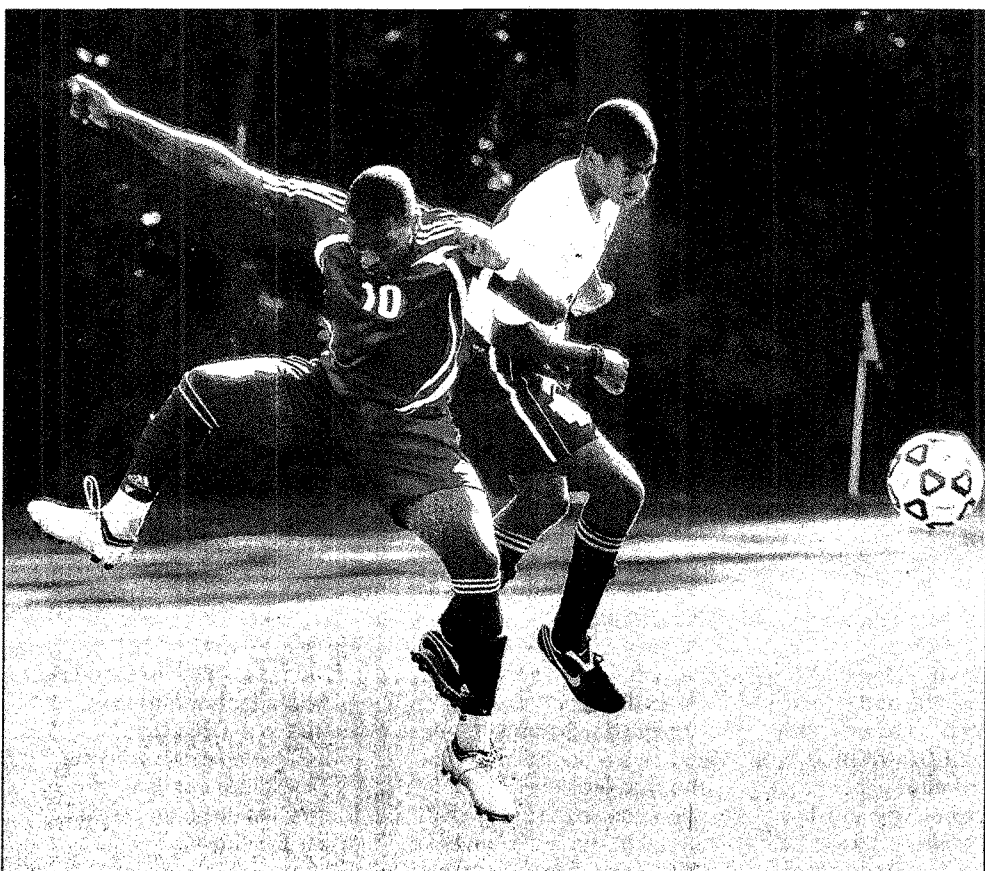
"Our offensive line did a good job and our backs ran hard," Thurston coach

Please see **EAGLES, B3**



DAVID REED

Thurston's Troy Bell dives for extra yardage in Friday's 47-18 win over Dearborn Heights Annapolis.



John Glenn's Nelson Kenne (10) and Wayne Memorial's Josh Murphy (right) battle for the ball in Thursday's KLAA South Division matchup.

# Churchill's corners stymie Canton, 4-0

## Glenn trips rival Wayne

BY BRAD EMONS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Livonia Churchill feasted on corner kicks Thursday night scoring three times to beat Canton in a key KLAA South Division boys soccer match, 4-0.

The Chargers, ranked fourth in the latest Division I state rankings, improved to 9-0-1 overall and 3-0-1 in the KLAA South (tied with Plymouth).

Stephen Foster scored in the 17th minute off a corner that went untouched to make it 1-0.

Max Washko then scored the next two goals on diving headers — both off corners in the 20th and 38th minutes from teammate Erik Bird — to make it 3-0 at halftime.

Foster then completed the

scoring in the 48th minute when he re-directed throw-in from Adam Bedell.

"We work on the normal amount of corners in practice, but we talk about it all the time," Churchill coach Reid Friedrichs said. "If we can draw them inside of 30 yards, the last thing I say is 'we can score.'"

"We can go to the right and left side with guys who can serve it and guys who can finish. It was nice to put three through tonight."

Friedrichs split his goalkeeper with Christian Adams and Brian Bartig combining for the shutout. The loss drops Canton to 6-3-2 overall and 3-1 in the KLAA South.

Please see **SOCCER, B2**

# Still optimistic

## RU spikers remain confident despite slow start

Despite a 1-8-2 start to the girls volleyball season, Redford Union coach Rachel Clor is confident her team will be able to get the job done once Red Division play commences in the newly-formed Western Wayne Athletic Conference.

On Wednesday, host Dearborn defeated the Panthers in a WWAC crossover, 25-8, 25-21, 25-11. Earlier in the week, Dearborn Edsel Ford edged RU in five games, 25-16, 25-18, 16-25, 16-25, 15-13.

"These were good games to start the season," Clor said. "We saw a lot of different things from both teams. We should do well in our league that starts next week if we play our game and stay consistent."

RU leaders in the loss to Dearborn included senior middle hitter Kristine Vulaj (two kills, six blocks, 12 digs); senior libero Chelsey Gehlhausen (16 digs); and senior defensive specialists Katelyn Patra (12 digs) and Rebecca Lanci (10 digs). "We have to work on our consistency," Clor said. "We had trouble in the first game with passing. In the second game we corrected that problem and played very well. Kristine dominated the net with her blocking. Then, the third game passing was still good, but we couldn't get an offense going."

"We are improving each game we play and as long as they play with everything they have we should win. Dearborn is a very good defensive team. They have the fastest offense we've seen so far."

Against Edsel Ford, statistical leaders for the Panthers included Vulaj (five kills, three blocks, eight digs); junior middle hitter Jordan Hebner (four kills, five blocks); Gehlhausen 20 digs, three aces); Lanci (15 digs, three aces); Patra (13 digs); and senior setter Jennifer Lichtman (15 assist-to-kills).

### Cougars stall Edsel

Kellyn O'Brady and Stephanie Stevens combined for 22 kills Wednesday as host Garden City pounded out at 25-14, 25-12, 17-25, 25-15 win over Dearborn Edsel Ford.

O'Brady also had six ace serves and 13 digs to go along with her 11 kills, while Stevens added three aces with 11 kills as the Cougars improved to 5-7-4 overall.

"It was a good day for all of us," GC coach John Pace said. "We really controlled the ball well and that allowed us to play a more aggressive game."

Setter Brittany Bejma finished with six kills and 25 assists. Sam Zalewski contributed seven kills and three blocks.

"Brittany distributed the ball very well," Pace said. "She bettered the ball the whole night. Both Kellyn and Steph played a solid match on the left side as well as being solid leaders on the floor."

### Lutheran Westland rolls

Emilie Freeman led a balanced hitting attack Thursday as host Lutheran High Westland opened Michigan Independent Athletic Conference play with a 25-18, 25-16, 25-9 win over Southfield Christian.

Freeman had eight kills and two blocks, while Allison Guse and Rachel Storck added seven kills apiece as the Warriors improved to 10-3-1 overall and 1-0 in the MIAC's Blue Division.

Setter Lauren Switzer finished with 20 assists, two solo blocks and four ace serve.

"We definitely played better since the last time we played," Lutheran Westland coach Kevin Wade said. "We improved in each set and we significantly cut down on our errors which made a huge difference in the outcome of the match."

"We're happy with the win but we know things don't get any easier as we travel (Tuesday) to (Auburn Hills) Oakland Christian. We are going to have to play smart if we want to have a chance."

### Huron Valley triumphs

Sophomore Paige Schmidt had 20 assist-to-kills Thursday as host Westland Huron Valley Lutheran defeated Novi Franklin Road Christian in three straight, 25-20, 25-21, 25-22.

Junior Leah Miller led the Hawks' offense with eight kills, while senior Kelly Kubinski added eight.

"I saw a lot of good things tonight," said Huron Valley coach Kris Ruth, whose team improved to 4-6-3 overall and 2-0 in the MIAC's Red Division. "We got some great swings in and played better defense overall."

### C'ville falls in 5

In a non-conference match Thursday, host Clawson pulled out a 25-10, 22-25, 25-21, 23-25, 15-8 victory over Livonia Clarenceville.

Leaders for Clarenceville, now 5-6-1 overall, included Kat Hall (11 kills, nine digs); Susan Kilpatrick (nine digs, four aces); Morgan Tressler (two aces, eight digs); and Paige Davis (six kills).

On Tuesday, host Plymouth Christian Academy downed the Trojans, 25-14, 25-13, 25-16, in a non-conference encounter.

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**JOHN GLENN 6, WAYNE 2:** Renato Muca and Alex Isaevski each tallied a pair of goals Thursday as visiting Westland John Glenn (3-5, 2-2) turned back rival Wayne Memorial (0-7, 0-4) in a KLA South Division matchup.

"It was a great effort and I'm happy with the result," said Glenn coach Jimmy Mortada, whose team pulled away from a 2-1 halftime advantage. "The whole team played very well. The second half we put our rules into the game and allowed them only one shot. We attacked in style and played our game."

Nelson Kenne and Kyle Beguin also scored for the Rockets.

"This game means a lot," Mortada said.

Alex Balli scored both goals for the Zebras, who also received strong efforts from goalkeeper Ryan Raymor (20 saves), Josh Murphy and Kevin Diehl.

**STEVENSON 1, COUNTRY DAY 0:** Chris Sergison's goal off a corner kick carried Livonia Stevenson (3-4-2) to a non-conference win Friday night over host Beverly Hills Detroit Country Day (11-2), ranked No. 2 in Division 3.

Goalkeepers Donald Grandahl and Connor Burton combined on the shutout.

"It was a good result especially

after a difficult loss to Salem (3-0) the night before," Stevenson coach Lars Richters said. "It was nice to see the boys respond the way they did against a quality opponent."

**FRANKLIN 4, GARDEN CITY 3:** In a non-league match Friday, host Livonia Franklin (1-7) stormed back from a 2-0 halftime deficit to beat the Cougars (4-3-2).

GC took a 2-0 halftime lead on goals by senior John Selenski (from Vaughn Frederick) and junior Andrew Hthiy (from Selenski).

Jordan McGuire scored a pair of second half goals for the Patriots. Franklin also got a goal from Andrew Crechiolo and senior goalkeeper Avery Baerlin's punt from the 18-yard box resulted in an "own goal" by the Cougars.

"We started moving the ball and that's what got us back in the game the second half," Franklin coach Vic Rodopoulos said. "We started winning 50-50 balls."

Senior Tyler Arban's goal from Hthiy cut the deficit to 4-3 with three minutes left.

**LUTH. WESTLAND 3, INTER-CITY 2:** Gage Flanery's hat trick propelled Lutheran High Westland (2-3-2, 1-3-2) to the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division win Friday at Allen Park Inter-City Baptist (6-4-1, 2-4).

Flanery scored goals in the 48th (from Laith Francis); 56th (from Trevor Sultana); and 85th minutes (from Mitch Boehm) to orchestrate

the second-half comeback after Inter-City jumped out to a 2-0 halftime lead on goals by Steve Siema and Jimmy Vanderaa.

Warriors goalkeeper Nick Andrezejewski made eight saves, including a key breakaway stop late in the match.

"It was a good comeback, I'm proud of my guys and the way they fought back," Lutheran Westland coach Rich Block said.

**PLYMOUTH 4, FRANKLIN 2:** Nicholas Rust scored a pair of second-half goals Wednesday as the visiting Wildcats (6-3-1, 3-0-1) erased a 2-1 halftime deficit to overcome upset-minded Livonia Franklin (0-7, 0-5).

The Patriots got a pair of assisted first-half goals from Jordan McGuire and Zach Miller, while Plymouth's Ian Griffiths tallied the first of his two goals.

"We played outstanding tonight," Franklin coach Vic Rodopoulos said. "We played well above what the guys thought they could be. We won 50-50 balls, our ball handling was excellent and we had good ball movement."

Fred Shataro anchored the Franklin defense, while goalkeeper Ryan Tiley made 12 saves.

Kyle Brindza was in goal for Plymouth.

"We had five good opportunities in the second half alone," Rodopoulos said. "Our defense, our midfielders and our forwards played great."

## Rocks solid in win vs. Spartans

BY TIM SMITH  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

One of the hottest prep boys soccer rivalries was renewed Thursday night on a bit of a chilly evening at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

With a bounce, a belt and a penalty-kick blast, the host Salem Rocks took the first round of this season's series against Livonia Stevenson, 3-0.

Scoring the first goal - and ultimate game winner - of the KLA Central Division match with 23:23 left in the first half was junior midfielder Dan Martin (assisted by senior midfielder Lachlan Savage, who figured in all three goals).

On the play, Martin outraced Stevenson senior defender Adam Dabkowski and scooted around aggressive senior goalkeeper Connor Burton, who came far out of his cage trying

to retrieve the ball.

Martin then placed a shot just inside the right post to make it 1-0.

"We got the early goal on a big break and that kind of changed the course of things and we were able to carry that momentum through," emphasized Salem head coach Ed McCarthy, whose top-10 ranked team improved to 8-2-2 overall and 4-0 in the Central.

"Over the past 20 years this game has determined who's played for the conference championship and I'm guessing this year will be no different."

McCarthy said Burton "came out and he missed it, so to get a one-goal break in a game like this is tough (for the other team) to overcome."

"We made a big mistake on the first goal and the margin of error for us this year is pretty slim," noted Stevenson head

coach Lars Richters. "We're not very proficient in front of goal yet, so when we make a mistake and allow them to take an early lead, that makes it difficult."

Salem iced the victory with two second-half goals (by senior midfielder Alex Tramel and Lachlan Savage on a penalty kick).

Richters said his team (2-4-1, 2-3-0) played very hard but younger players received a bit of an introductory course about what has made Salem such a tough opponent over the years.

On the plus side, he was pleased with the overall defense and liked the way Dabkowski competed.

"Adam never stops," Richters said. "He's our center-back and he's been trying hard all season to keep things together even on days when the going's been difficult. I'm pleased with his leadership."

## GC boys trip Thurston

Coach Bill Torni didn't have much to complain about Wednesday after his Garden City boys soccer team dismantled host Redford Thurston in a Western Wayne Athletic Conference match, 6-0.

Tyler Arban notched a pair of goals and contributed an assist to lead the victorious Cougars, who improved to 4-2-2 overall and 2-0 in the WWAC.

"There were times where we didn't get the ball wide enough," said Torni, whose team led 2-0 at halftime. "We could have been smarter because there were times we got caught too much in the middle."

"But other than that, I think we played pretty well." Sophomore Richie Blevins added a goal and assist, while Brandon Grabda and Andy Chambo also scored for the Cougars.

Other assists from Andrew Hthiy, Josh and John Selenski.

Goalkeeper Robert Zembo, who made three saves, notched his third shutout.

The loss dropped Thurston to 1-3 overall and 1-2 in the WWAC.

"Thurston never gave up," Torni said. "Their number five (Jacob Cravens) was a thorn in the middle for us. He won a lot of 50-50 balls."

**CRANBROOK 4, CLARENCEVILLE 0:** Andy Holmes scored a pair of goals Thursday to propel Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook (4-1-1, 1-0) to the Metro Conference win over host Livonia Clarenceville (4-3-1, 0-1).

Alex King scored what proved to be the game-winner on a penalty kick, while Connor Sakwa added the final goal.

Cranes goalkeeper Andrew Rouff recorded his first shutout.

**REDFORD UNION 8, ROMULUS 0:** Junior captain Francis Mensah scored four goals and added one assist Wednesday a host Redford Union (2-6, 1-1) rolled to the WWAC mercy rule win over the visiting Eagles (0-4, 0-3).

Junior Randy Blasche added a goal on four assists. His goal with 12:59 remaining ended the game.

Lewis Ellis and Drew Papp also scored for the Panthers. Freshman Cody Vercande chipped in with two assists.

Junior captain Jack Mejia made five saves to preserve the shutout.

Earlier in the week, host RU fell to Dearborn Fodson, 3-0, as Mejia played a stellar game in goal.

**THURSTON 2, ROMULUS 1:** On Sept. 14, Dakota Mullett notched a pair of goals on through balls as Redford Thurston (1-2, 1-1) earned its first win of the season in a Western Wayne Athletic Conference encounter against the host Eagles.

Mullett's first goal came with two minutes to go in the first half off an assist from Jacob Cravens. His second goal came in the 74th minute off an assist from Billy McComas.

Romulus made things interesting by scoring a goal just a minute later, but Thurston goalkeeper Nathan Gallegos (10 saves) preserved the victory.

"Both sides were evenly matched," Thurston coach Scott Bridges said. "Romulus got the better of most of the 50-50 balls. We did not look sharp and did not play with the intensity we have had in recent practices and games. We will need to be ready to challenge the 50-50 balls if we want to continue to improve and win games."

### GIRLS SWIM RESULTS

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Sept. 17 at John Glenn

**200-yard medley relay:** 1. John Glenn (Casey Peterson, Khiry Sparks, Kali Aloisi, Jennie Humbach), 2:03.76; 2. Canton, 2:06.89; 3. Canton, 2:12.18.

**200 freestyle:** 1. Kayla Eyster (C), 2:05.53; 2. Sara Krebs (C), 2:08.8; 3. Rachael Alholinna (WJG), 2:11.71.

**200 individual medley:** 1. Delaney Adams (C), 2:20.34; 2. Peterson (WJG), 2:21.15; 3. Christine O'Keefe (C), 2:36.61.

**50 freestyle:** 1. (tie) Sparks (WJG) and Kari Schmitt (C), 26.54 each; 3. Maggie Carlson (C), 27.63.

**1-meter diving:** 1. Desiree Clenney (WJG), 210.85 points; 2. Mallory Hudak (C), 195.35; 3. Humbach (WJG), 179.50.

**100 butterfly:** 1. Catherine Irwin (C), 1:06.98; 2. Caitlin Orr (C), 1:09.27; 3. Krebs (C), 1:10.98.

**100 freestyle:** 1. Sparks (WJG), 57.40; 2. K. Schmitt (C), 57.54; 3. O'Keefe (C), 1:01.77.

**500 freestyle:** 1. Eyster (C), 5:41.42; 2. Adams (C), 5:46.67; 3. Alholinna (WJG), 5:53.8.

**200 freestyle relay:** 1. Canton (Krebs, O'Keefe, Adams, K. Schmitt), 1:49.94; 2. John Glenn, 1:51.36; 3. Canton, 1:57.03.

**100 backstroke:** 1. Orr (C), 1:08.92; 2. Irwin (C), 1:09.31; 3. Peterson (WJG), 1:09.71.

**100 breaststroke:** 1. Aloisi (WJG), 1:17.08; 2. Annelise Niermann (C), 1:21.37; 3. Maddy McLean (C), 1:22.49.

**400 freestyle relay:** 1. Canton (Carlson, Abby Madison, Sara Schmitt, Eyster), 4:02.88; 2. John Glenn, 4:14.13; Canton, 4:33.98.

**Dual meet records:** Canton, 2-0 overall, 1-0 KLA South Division; John Glenn, 0-1 overall, 0-1 KLA South.

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## Ocelot men shut down Delta, 4-0

The Schoolcraft College men's soccer team is off to an 3-0-1 start, but is nowhere to be found in the latest NJCAA Division I top 15 national poll.

On Wednesday, the Ocelots improved to 2-0 in the Eastern Conference of the Michigan Community College Athletic Association with a 4-0 triumph at Delta CC.

Ryan Lemasters scored what proved to be the game-winner in the sixth minute off an assist from Dane Laird.

Schoolcraft added two more goals before the half - Gavin Kelly from Joe Carver (20th minute) and Drew Kidder from Kelly (23rd minute).

The Ocelots, who outshot Delta 16-2, also got a second-half goal in the 65th minute from Andy Adlington off an assist from Chris Long (Livonia Stevenson).

Ian McDonald-Wilkins was

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in goal for the full 90 minutes and made two saves to record the Ocelots' third shutout of the season.

The loss dropped Delta to 4-1-1 overall and 0-1 in the MCAA's Eastern Conference.

On Sunday, Schoolcraft bested host Jackson CC, 2-0, as McDonald-Wilkins earned the shutout in goal.

Ognen Stemenkovic tallied the game-winner after Carver was fouled.

Long added an insurance goal on a rebound off a shot from Kidder.

Jackson fell to 2-2 overall and 1-1 in the conference.

Schoolcraft returns to action 1 p.m. Saturday in a non-conference match at Toledo's Owens Technical CC.

### MU women fall, 3-1

Teresa Buioocchi tallied a pair of goals, while Jaime Tomaszewski had a goal and two assists Wednesday as Aquinas College came away with a 3-1 victory over host Madonna University in a Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference women's soccer match at Livonia's Greenmead Field.

Lia Melasi scored her first of the second in the 43rd minute off an assist from Lauren Hess (Livonia Ladywood) to cut the deficit to 2-1, but the Crusaders would get no closer.

The Saints' goalkeeper Kelsey Duley made 11 saves, while Brittany Warner (Plymouth) had seven stops for MU.

MU falls to 2-5 overall and 1-2 in the WHAC, while Aquinas is 3-2-1 and 1-0-1.

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ROCKETS

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Baechler said the offensive linemen were "our MVPs," but he also praised his defensive coaches for making the adjustments to keep Langford from rolling up another 300-yard night.

Stevenson routs South Lyon

BY JEFF THEISEN SPORTS WRITER

Livonia Stevenson put Friday's home game against South Lyon away in the first half as the Spartans scored all five of their touchdowns and their defense stayed perfect throughout in a 37-0 win.

pass attempt during the drive, good for a 13-yard completion. The third and fourth TDs came on single-play drives.

RU gridders impress, 35-20

Redford Union had the pigskin a majority of the night as the host Panthers rolled to a 35-20 Western Wayne Athletic Conference Red Division football victory over Dearborn Heights Robichaud at Hilbert Junior High's Kraft Field.

TD run. Marshall also ran in for a pair of two-pointers, while Jake Blache contributed a point-after.

this. I think we're still getting better." PLYMOUTH 14, WAYNE 7: The Wildcats (3-1, 1-1) staged a clutch goal-line stand in the final minutes Friday night and held off host Wayne Memorial (2-2, 0-2) in a KLLA South Division matchup.

EAGLES

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Bob Snell said. "And for most of the night our defense did a good job of keeping them from making big plays. They (Annapolis) have been a big-play team all year and have been averaging 40 points per game. To hold them to 18, I'm happy."

PATS

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Meanwhile, the missed opportunities and slow starts continue to haunt the Chargers. "At that point there's eight minutes left, we're down 10 points and we have two timeouts left," Churchill coach John Filiatraut said.

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GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

KENSINGTON LAKES ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION CROSS COUNTRY INVITATIONAL Sept. 12 at Willow Metropark... Individual winner: Sara Kroll (Churchill), 17:50.69 (5,000 meters).

Sept. 12 at Cass Benton Park HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION (no team scoring) Girls individual winner: Farrow Ersula (unattached), 19:27 (5,000 meters).

22:31; 31. Meredith Houska, 22:28; 32. Shannon Scarlett, 22:30; 34. Alexandra Darr, 22:35; 38. Catherine Wojtanowski, 22:48.

Wickens, 22:31; 10. Mallory Church, 22:34; 12. Ashley Davidson, 22:45; 13. Leslie Gomez, 22:57.

BOYS TENNIS RESULTS

PINCKNEY 5 LIVONIA FRANKLIN 4 Sept. 17 at Pinckney No. 1 singles: Stephen Payne (LF) def. Ryan Romano, 7-6 (7-1), 6-0; No. 2: Walter Woods (LF) def. Ben Jabonski, 6-0, 6-0.

CANTON 8 LIVONIA CHURCHILL 1 Sept. 15 at Canton No. 1 singles: Ryan Hanz (Canton) def. Matt Cezat, 6-2, 6-2; No. 2: Ziwen Deng (LC) def. Riley Hoernschmeyer, 6-3, 6-1; No. 3: Adam Payne (Canton) def. Mike Houghan, 6-3, 6-0; No. 4: Varun Bandri (Canton) def. Vishal Joshi, 6-4, 6-7 (1-7), 6-2.

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

KENSINGTON LAKES ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION CROSS COUNTRY INVITATIONAL Sept. 12 at Willow Metropark BOYS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Canton, 53 points; 2. Hartland, 65; 3. Livonia Churchill, 85; 4. Walled Lake Central, 103; 5. Walled Lake Northern, 127; 6. Salem, 156; 7. Livonia Franklin, 167; 8. Walled Lake Western, 188; 9. Westland John Glenn, 248.

John Glenn finishers: 34. Ruben Maya, 18:23.72; 49. Jason Suarez, 18:49.51; 65. Ryan Boes, 20:34.57; 70. Steve Shak, 21:29.46; 73. Keven Wacker, 21:42.04; 75. Aaron Thomas, 21:57.4; 77. Chris Jones, 23:39.74.

Lutheran Westland finishers: 195. Daniel Bunge, 21:14; 198. Joshua Kirk, 21:21; 240. Chris Kovacs, 21:21; 250. Caleb Kemp, 22:29; 254. Eric Smith, 22:42; 258. Philip Welte, 22:51; 293. Peter Sillanpaa, 24:16.

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 40 Sept. 15 at Cass Benton Park Individual winner: Derek Gielarowski (Plymouth), 18:12 (5,000 meters).

AREA GOLF RESULTS

LIVONIA FRANKLIN 237 REDFORD THURSTON 240 Sept. 17 at Beech Woods G.C. Franklin scorers: Hayley Szpara, 56; Zoe Riopelle, 58; Jamie Duchanczenko, 61; Mackenzie Meyers, 62; Angelica Woods, 63; Lucie Patrick, 64.

LIVONIA FRANKLIN 201 Sept. 16 at The Woodlands (Van Buren) Glenn scorers: Heidi Irvine, 39 (medalist); Justin Woodard, 51; Michelle Bishop, 53; Megan Bache, 56; Samantha Baker, 57.

COLLEGE CROSS COUNTRY

UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT MERCY TOMMY TITAN INVITATIONAL CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS Sept. 12 at Cass Benton Park MEN'S COLLEGIATE STANDINGS: 1. Eastern Michigan University, 19 points; 2. Wayne State, 49; 3. University of Detroit Mercy, 80; 4. Oakland Community College, 135; 5. Illinois-Chicago, 141; 6. Macomb CC, 167; 7. Front Line Racing, 181; 8. Glen Oaks CC, 223.

Nowitzke (Mizuno), 20:04; 3. Neal Naughton (unattached), 20:28; 4. Pat Webster (Wayne State), 20:35; 5. James Hughes (EMU), 20:38; 6. Matt Fecht (unattached-Wayne State), 20:42; 7. R.P. White (EMU), 20:47; 8. Matt Hammersmith (EMU), 20:49; 9. Andrew Pfeiffer (EMU), 20:52; 10. Jeremiah Hargett (OCC), 20:54.

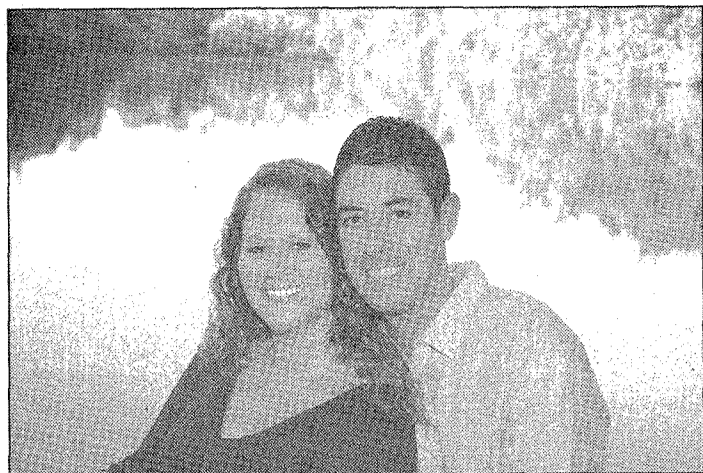
Racing, 76; 3. Wayne State, 81; 4. University of Detroit Mercy, 93; 5. Illinois-Chicago, 109; 6. Madonna, 161; 7. Oakland Community College, 186; 8. Schoolcraft College, 213; 9. Macomb CC, 217; 10. Glen Oaks CC, 296.

(Wayne State), 18:59; 8. Rachel Hollinger-Janzen (EMU), 19:04; 9. Sarah Sherwood (Madonna), 19:14; 10. Beata Gorzyńska (UDM), 19:31.

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Higgins-Cook

Sara Higgins and Tyler Cook announce their engagement. The bride-to-be, daughter of William and Janice Higgins of Canton, is a graduate of Plymouth Canton High School. She received a degree in education from Eastern Michigan University and just completed a master's degree in middle school mathematics from the University of Minnesota. She teaches in Van Buren Public Schools. Her fiancé, son of Dave and Pam Cook of Plymouth, graduated from Plymouth Salem High School. He is a sales manager for his family's business, The Plymouth Trading Post. A June 2010 wedding is planned at St. John Chapel, Plymouth. A reception will follow at Wellers in Saline.



Bohn-Goldsworthy

Janie Goldsworthy and Eric Bohn were married Sept. 5, 2009 at Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Chapel, in Flagstaff, Ariz. A reception followed at Coconino Center for the Arts, also in Flagstaff. The bride is daughter of Don and Barb Goldsworthy of Madison, Wisc. The groom's parents are Mike and Pat Bohn of Livonia. The couple reside in Flagstaff.



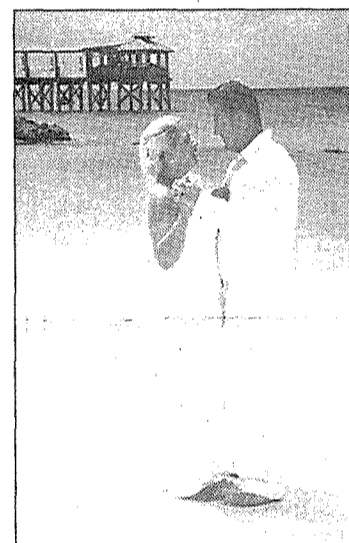
Gianna Drew Hoshock

Gianna Drew Hoshock was born at 1:51 p.m. Aug. 28, 2009, at Oakwood Hospital. She weighed 8 pounds 6 ounces and measured 21 1/2 inches. Gianna joins big sister Peri, age 4. Proud parents are Andrew and Nicole Hoshock of Livonia. Proud grandparents are Randy and Kathy Blankenship of Ypsilanti, and Richard and Susan Hoshock of Defiance, Ohio. Great-grandmothers are Aurel Mack of Ney, Ohio and Opal Blankenship of Pikeville, Ky.



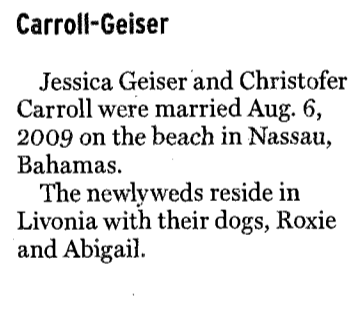
Doran-Hanson

Bethany Ann Doran and Jeffrey John Hanson, both of Ypsilanti, announce their engagement. The bride-to-be, daughter of Dan and Kathy Doran of Astoria, Ohio, graduated from Eastern Michigan University with honors in 2008. She is employed as a life enrichment coordinator at Waltonwood. Her fiancé, son of Barton and Diane Hanson of Canton, is a 2003 Canton High School graduate. He graduated in 2007 with honors in computer science from Eastern Michigan University and is employed as a software engineer at ROVI in Ann Arbor. An October 2009 wedding is planned at St. John's Center in Plymouth.



Presley Bella Rodriguez

Presley Bella Rodriguez was born July 30, 2009 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Ann Arbor. Proud parents are Michael and Melissa Rodriguez of Superior Township. Presley joins siblings Caleb, 4, and Brooklyn, 2, at home. Grandparents are Micheal and Mary Ann Dziekan of Canton and Israel and Isabel Rodriguez of Canton.



Carroll-Geiser

Jessica Geiser and Christofer Carroll were married Aug. 6, 2009 on the beach in Nassau, Bahamas. The newlyweds reside in Livonia with their dogs, Roxie and Abigail.



Golden wedding anniversary

William and Carol (Maurer) Choma of Canton marked their 50th wedding anniversary Sept. 12. The couple wed in 1959 at Divine Child Catholic Church, in Dearborn. Bill and Carol met in high school. Both are graduates of Fordson High School in Dearborn. The couple and their family moved from Taylor to Canton in 1972. Their children, Mark, Kevin and Michele, all graduated from Plymouth Salem High School. They also have four grandchildren. The entire family celebrated their anniversary on Sept. 12 with a weekend trip to Mackinac Island. Their children planned to give them a party the following weekend.



Hardy-Adsit

Russell and Penny Hardy of Canton are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Nicole, to Matthew Adsit, son of Robert and Catherine Adsit of Plymouth. The bride-to-be graduated from Salem High School in 2005 and is in her final year at Eastern Michigan University studying math education. Her fiancé graduated from Salem High School in 2004, Purdue University in 2009 and is currently employed as an engineer by Rockwell Automation in Milwaukee, Wisc. A July 2010 wedding is planned in downtown Plymouth.



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**ROSEMARY K. HUTCHESON**  
 Age 86. September 15, 2009. Beloved wife of the late Roy G. Loving mother of Nancy (Joe Pietrangel) Hutcheson and Carol H. (Keith) Hartwell. Dear sister of Irene (Fred) Mulhauser. Proud grandmother of Taylor Jeffrey Hartwell. Aunt of Fred Mulhauser, Michael Howe, Barbara Evoc, Celeste Frawley and their spouses and children. Visitation was Friday at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W 11 Mile Rd. (4 blks. E of Woodward), Royal Oak. Services were held at the First United Methodist Church of Birmingham. Memorials to American Cancer Society appreciated. Share your memories at [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com).



MICHELLE R. KELLER

Age 46, of Clinton Twp, passed away September 13, 2009. Loving daughter of Neal & Norma Keller. Dear sister of Robert & his wife Dana Keller. Special aunt of Tony, Jamie and Jeni Harb. Beloved granddaughter of Margaret Keller. Also survived by brother in law Joe Harb. Preceded in death by sister Debra Harb. Friends visited the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home 280 South Main, Plymouth, Saturday from 1-9pm with a funeral service at 7:00pm. Interment was at the Clinton Grove Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the family. Share memories at: [schrader-howell.com](http://schrader-howell.com).



THOMAS "RALPH" PATTERSON

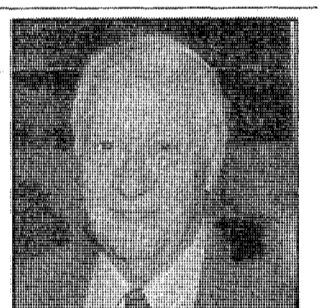
Age 88, of Northville; September 3, 2009; a WWII Army Air Corps Veteran, B-24 Bombardier Navigator and P.O.W. Beloved husband of the late Marilyn (2000). Loving father of Thomas Jr. (Mary), Richard (Barbara) and John. Cherished grandfather of Brian, Marisa, Kevin, Jeffrey, Jennifer, Matthew, Christina and one great-grandson Lucas. Dear brother of Elizabeth Brooks, June Manning and the late Scott Patterson. Memorial service Saturday, September 26th, 3:00 PM at the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, 23720 Farmington Rd. (btw 9-10 Mile Rds., N of Grand River) Downtown Farmington (248) 474-5200. The family will receive guests at the funeral home on Saturday from 2:00 PM until the time of the service. Memorial tributes are suggested to the American Heart Assn or Alzheimer's Assn. [heeney-sundquist.com](http://heeney-sundquist.com)



MARJORIE "MARGE" ROSE WHITE

Age 86, of Canton, passed away September 16, 2009. Loving wife of the late Norris. Beloved mother of Sandra (Bob) Trombley, Lana (Ted) Byrne and the late David C. White. Proud grandmother of Kurt (Angie) Trombley, Julie (Roland) Weber, Theresa Olson, Jessica Olson, Robert Olson III, Clinton Byrne, Amy Gil, Patrick Byrne, Lance Byrne, Kelly Byrne and Erin Byrne. Great grandmother of Olivia, Nadia, Merrick, Clayton, Harlie, Landon, Kalie, Layla, Logan and Alex. Dear sister of Marvin (Marianne) Smith and Marvella Schaffter. Preceded in death by brothers Roger and Robert Smith. In addition to spending time with her family, Marjorie loved being with her friends, planning events, reunions and staying involved in her community. She was a member of the Canton Historical Society, past president of the Church Women United, lifelong member of the Assemblies of God Church and leader of various civic organizations in Canton, where she resided most of her life. She worked in her husband's lawn mower business, worked at the "Bomber" plant during World War II. She graduated from Plymouth High School in 1940 and attended Schoolcraft College later in life. She loved sewing for herself and her family, making doll clothes and even had a doll hospital. Most of all she loved her church and had the Word of God as her source of strength. Memorials may be made to Canton Calvary Church, 7933 North Sheldon Road, Canton, MI 48187 in her memory or American Diabetes Association. Funeral services were held on Saturday, September 19, 2009, from the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home 280 South Main, Plymouth. Interment Riverside Cemetery. Share memories at [schrader-howell.com](http://schrader-howell.com)

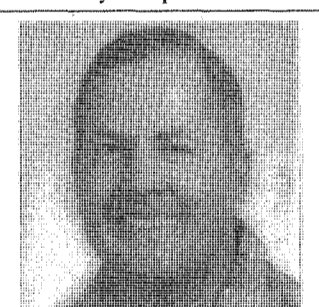
**ARNOLD WILLIAM KIPPOLA**  
 Age 88, of Ishpeming passed away on Wednesday September 16, 2009 at Eastwood Nursing Center in Negaunee, Mi. He was born on June 1, 1921 to Alma and William Kippola in Ishpeming, Mi. After his father's early death from a mining accident, the family moved to the Black River location northeast of Republic, Mi to live near Alma's parents. He attended the school in Black River location, and Republic, and later served in the CCC, Civilian Conservation Corps, in 1938-9 helping build Wells State Park in the southern U.P. and later moved to the Detroit city area in late 1939 where he worked for the Packard Motor Car Company, before serving in the U S Army Air Corps Troop Carrier Command 30th Squadron during WW2 from 1942-5. He and Anja (Nurmi) met in Detroit and married on October 13, 1945. After the war, he worked at the House of Chairs, drove a Detroit city DSR bus, then worked at Burroughs Corp., during which he moved the family to Plymouth, Mi. in 1957. He then took a job with Ford Motor Company for 10 years. In 1970 the family moved to Ishpeming, where he worked at K. I. Sawyer AFB, and then worked for Cleveland-Cliffs at the Republic and Tilden mines, until retiring in 1987. He was an avid outdoorsman, but Arnold's unique talent was his proclivity to doing favors for people, especially after retirement. Whether it was finding a carpet for your entranceway or truck, fixing your leaky faucet, or delivering produce on a daily basis to help feed your farm animals, he took it to heart. Also a musician, he learned to play bones and knives/spoons in the Finnish tradition at an early age, and was not only the best at it, was recorded on several album projects, taught others to play, and kept the family entertained with it especially at holiday time. He is survived by his two sons, Gerald (Geraldine) of Ishpeming, and James (Janice) of Negaunee, grandsons Aaron, and James, granddaughters Megan (Christopher) Penney and Leah (Alex Budnick) Kippola, his brother Donald (Margaret) of Plymouth, Mi, and his sister Ruth (Melvin) Hjelt of Negaunee, an aunt, Hilda Prusi of Cloquet, Mn., as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins. He is a member of the Independent Apostolic Lutheran Church of Negaunee, and is also survived by many brothers and sisters in faith. Besides his parents, he is preceded in death by his wife of 64 years, Anja, brothers George (Marie), and Harold (Elaine) of the Detroit area. Visitation will be Sun Sep 20, from 5-7pm at the Independent Apostolic Lutheran Church in Negaunee on Co Rd 492 east of the Negaunee cemetery, with funeral at 7pm, followed by a gathering afterward. Interment will be Mon Sep 21, at 11am at the Ishpeming cemetery. Arnold's obituary may be viewed at [www.bjorkandzhulkie.com](http://www.bjorkandzhulkie.com) where relatives and friends may leave a note of remembrance.



Edward Kupsoff  
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Ed passed away on August 27th, 2009 at his home under Hospice Care with family members at his side. Ed was born January 26th, 1915 in Detroit. He lived 94 very full years. He is survived by his wife, Effrosina Tonia and his two sons and daughter-in-law; Gary and Carole Kupsoff of Marblehead, Ma. and Roger Kupsoff of Indian Rocks Beach, Florida. Ed has two granddaughters and three great grandchildren; Elizabeth Rittinger of San Francisco and great grandson, William H. Rittinger, and Kathryn McGuire of Novato, Ca. and her two daughters, Lyla B. and Alice Rye McGuire. Ed is also survived by three nieces, Marsha Smith, Claudia Yuchida and Cynthia Barry all from Largo, Florida. Edward's parents emigrated from Russia and eventually located in Detroit in the early 1900's. Edward had two sisters Stella and Helene. Edward graduated from Wayne State in 1938 with a BS degree in Education. He later received a MS degree and a Specialist degree in Education from Wayne State. He taught high school, and later was a guidance counselor in the Detroit Public Schools for his entire career before retiring in 1981. Ed also realized how important it was for new immigrants to learn the English language. He taught English at night school for many years and in the summers taught citizenship classes, helping hundreds of immigrants become American citizens. During WW2, Edward worked the night shift at Packard Motor Company. He was a supervisor in the engine start up department for the Packard V-12 PT Boat engines. Edward was loved and will be missed by all his family and friends who have survived him.



MILTON F. SMITH

Oct. 3, 1918 - Sept. 11, 2009

90 yrs. old. Beloved husband of Marilyn for 56 yrs. Father of Michael and Brian. Resident of Livonia for 49 yrs. Preceded in death by sisters Florence and Harriet; and brothers Bernard, Melvin and Ray. Also, has many nieces and nephews. Milton was a Veteran of the Pacific campaign of World War II. He retired after 37 years at Detroit Edison Co. He was an avid hunter, golfer and gardener. Memorial Service and Interment at: Gros Cap Cemetery Moran Township, MI. Memorial to: American Heart/Stroke Assoc. Greater Midwest Affiliate Memorials 3816 Paysphere Circle Chicago, IL 60674

**WANDA MARY SOUBLY**

94, formerly of Livonia and Detroit, MI passed away September 2, 2009 in Peoria, AZ. Mrs. Soubly was born on May 19, 1915 in Minneapolis, MN. She is preceded in death by her husband, Gus, and survived by son Gerald (Sharon), daughters Jacqueline Bennett, Rosemary (Gary) Dryden, six grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren. Wanda was a welder on B-52 airplanes during WWII and later worked at Ford Motor Co. and in real estate. She was a member of the American Rosie the Riveter Association, Polish American Club, active in Boy and Girl Scouts and many other organizations. A prayer service will be held Saturday, Sept 26th, 11am at St. Hedwig Cemetery-Mausoleum, 23755 Military Rd., Dearborn Heights, MI. Memorials can be sent to Alzheimer's Assoc, 1028 E. McDowell Rd., Phoenix, AZ 85006.

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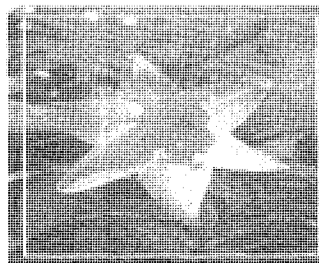
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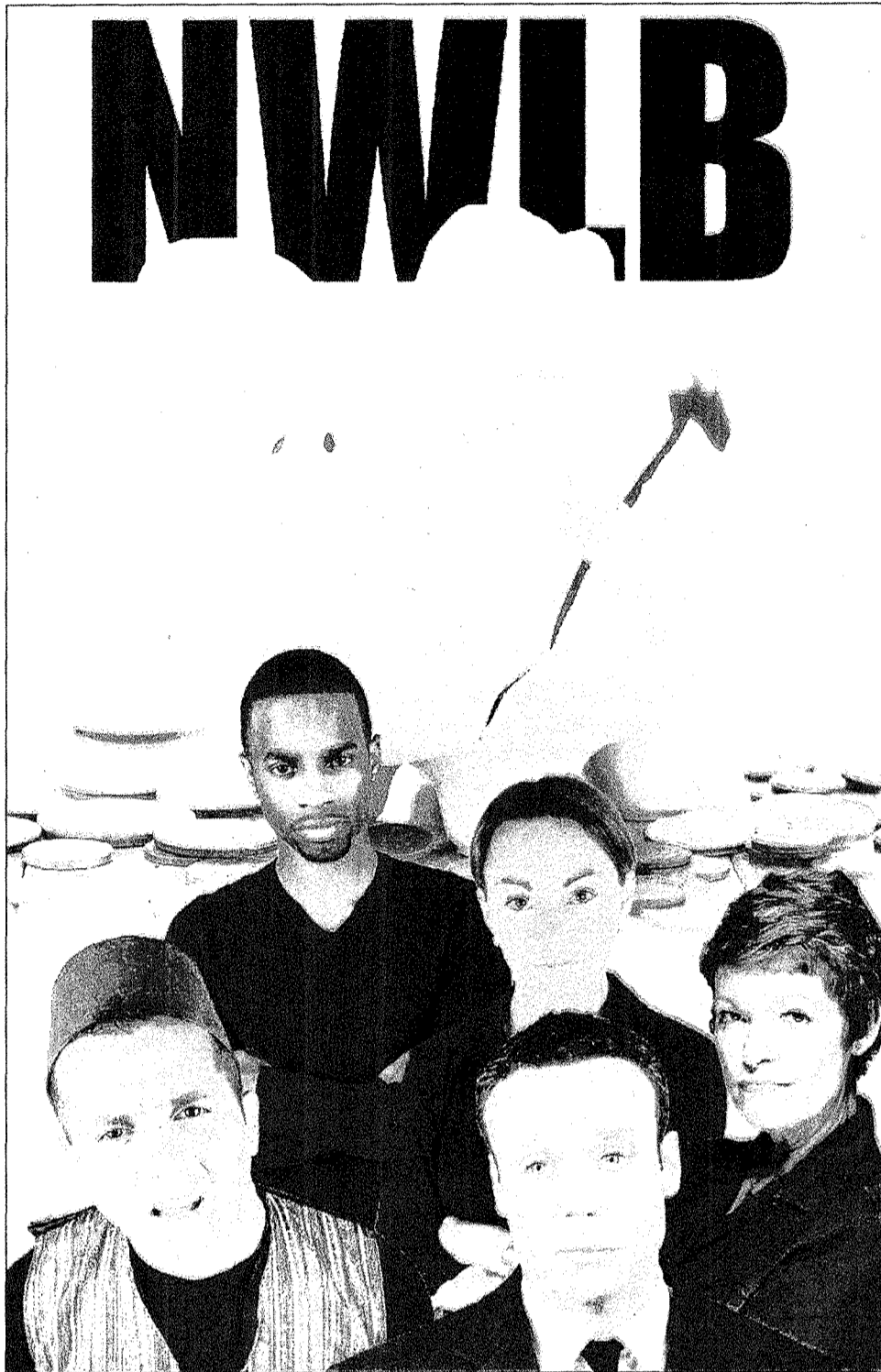
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# NEIGHBORS

## Funding setback puts job training on hold



BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
CORRESPONDENT

By 10:30 a.m. on a recent Wednesday, it was standing room only for those waiting to attend the No Worker Left Behind orientation at Michigan Works! Livonia Service Center.

A sign at the front desk told the grim news that NWLB funds had been depleted and there was no word on when funding would be available.

Nearly 30 people from as far away as Warren had hoped to learn of their options for returning to school. No Worker Left Behind is the free tuition program announced by Gov. Jennifer Granholm in 2007 to provide unemployed or underemployed Michigan residents with up to two years of training or education to compete in the 21st century global economy.

The good news is that the federally-funded NWLB program is not coming to a halt. Not all Michigan Works! agencies have run out of money. As the Southeast Michigan Community Alliance serving Wayne County has said, those who qualify will continue to go through the process and be placed on a waiting list until funds become available.

"We're going to move forward like we have money," said Kathleen Newton, the Michigan Works! case worker leading the orientation. "The goal is to get you trained and

out there as soon as possible."

After talking about the setback, Newton focused on a brighter future for the group, which included a Livonia woman already in her second year of a nursing program at Oakland Community College in Farmington Hills. She was laid off a year ago and was looking for assistance from NWLB, but the program does not pay for those who are already full-time college students.

### ONLINE CLASSES

One woman drove all the way from Willis, outside of Ypsilanti, with hopes of returning to school after being laid off in June from her administrative assistant position at Yazaki in Canton. Lynne Williams was disappointed to learn that only certain online classes are approved by the program.

Timothy Parent was laid off from his job in the steel industry in May. He's looking forward to enrolling in computer classes at Schoolcraft College in January. Parent, 30, had worked in the steel industry since graduating from Canton High School.

He found the NWLB orientation so encouraging he returned for the second session two weeks later. Applicants for the funding must attend four, two-hour sessions and qualify by passing ninth-grade level reading and math tests and taking inventory of their career interests.

"IT may be security for me," Parent said. "In school, I always got

along with computers. I like using them and I've been using them since 10 or 11 (years old)."

### GREEN CAREER

Jim Coughlin is thinking about renewable energy technology. He was an electrician for 21 years before being laid off in March. He drove all the way from Warren for the second session.

"You have a lot of areas to choose from in renewable energy technology, from construction to maintenance to manufacturing," Coughlin said.

Hyskollari Aurela was at a loss as to a career after being laid off nearly a year ago from a window treatment business in Plymouth. Diane Warterian, the caseworker leading the second session, asked questions of the Westland woman to assess her skills and interests.

Warterian has had 25 different jobs over the years and calls herself a Trade School Poster Child. She believes NWLB applicants benefit from her variety of experiences.

"I love what I do," Warterian said. "You're helping people change their life."

Aurela left Albania three years ago, only to find she could not be licensed as a veterinarian in the U.S. even though she'd completed training in her native country. She also was struggling with English as her second language.

"This was very helpful," Aurela said. "You can do it."

## 'No Worker' program down, but not out

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
CORRESPONDENT

Brad Speck isn't too worried about the lack of funding for the No Worker Left Behind program. He says it happened shortly after Michigan Works! began providing unemployed and underemployed workers up to \$10,000 for tuition at community colleges and universities for or training programs in August 2007.

In the last two years, the program has helped nearly 89,000 Michigan residents attend school for retraining. In fact, NWLB has been so successful that President Barack Obama mentioned it as a model for the nation when announcing his new community college initiative in July.

Now in its third year, the program is administered by 25 Michigan Works! Agencies throughout the state. Not all have run out of money. Those that have are counting on the approval of federal grants. NWLB is a federally-funded program that has been known by a variety of names over the last 25 years, according to Speck, assistant director of the Livonia Service Center for the Southeast Michigan Community Alliance Michigan Works, serving

Monroe and Wayne counties.

To be eligible a person must be:

- Receiving unemployment in a declining field
- Not working or receiving unemployment
- Working household income does not exceed \$40,000

"We're recommending they fill out applications for Federal Student Aid (www.FAFSA.ed.gov)," Speck said. "President Obama has put more money into the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act for Pell Grants. The earlier they start, the earlier they end the journey if the journey is to get a new career. Maybe one of the steps is training. Start it now. Put our magnet on your refrigerator and call (800) 285-WORKS. We're kind of like the fuel and you're driving the car. We want you to choose one of the emerging careers. Look on Monster and Career Builder for ideas — nursing, ITT, upcoming green industries and film. We're always looking for whatever that next trend is."

For more information about No Worker Left Behind, visit [www.michigan.gov/careers](http://www.michigan.gov/careers).

For a list of schools and programs that receive funds from NWLB, visit [www.mycareereducation.org](http://www.mycareereducation.org).

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The appearance of these bumps is determined by heredity. The onset, size and finger joints affected is preordained making it impossible for doctors to prescribe medicine that will prevent or limit the number of heberden nodes a patient will develop.  
The same bony enlargement can occur in the middle knuckles of the fingers, these bumps are called bouchard's nodes. They are sometimes confused with the swelling of the knuckles associated with rheumatoid arthritis but a physician examining the hand can tell the difference between the two conditions. A bouchard node feels firm to palpation, a rheumatoid joint feels boggy to the touch.  
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# Recall of range hits home

The number of recalls on major home appliances in the past 10 years may very well equal more than 20 million products and many of these are still in American homes being used today.



Appliance Doctor

Joe Gagnon

The recent recall announced by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission of the Frigidaire and Kenmore smoothtop electric ranges directly affects this writer and family. The Frigidaire range model number PLEF398AC is located at our cottage in Union City Michigan. This little cottage that we purchased last year is a work in progress. Valorie has torn it apart and rebuilt the inside to make it worthy of being in the awards category. The last thing she wants to see is the result of a cottage fire destroying all of hard work and satisfaction.

Valorie is a member of a group of retired school teachers who call themselves, "The Martha Stewart Wannabe's" and this group takes a yearly trip across the country which they call, "Camp." This year's trip was to the cottage where Barb Bennett discovered that we had the same electric range

she has in her kitchen. Barb also was aware of the recent recall on her range and had already taken the appropriate action to get her range repaired.

As a result of the "Camp" the Appliance Doctor found out that he owns a product which is under recall. I am now in the process of getting this appliance repaired. Here's the scoop for all homeowners who own a Frigidaire or Kenmore Smoothtop Electric Range:

The surface elements can turn on spontaneously without being switched on or fail to turn off after being switched off. The range can heat to different temperatures than selected. The following is a list of model numbers pertaining to about 200,000 of these ranges sold from June 2001 through August of 2009. Kenmore Elite Model number 790.99012, 790.99013, 790.99014, 790.99019. The Frigidaire model numbers are FEFBZ90GC, FEFLMC55GC, FEFLZ87GC, GLEF396AB, GLEF396AQ, GLEF396AS, GLEF396CQ, GLEF396CS, GLEFM397DB, GLEFM397DQ, GLEFM397DS, GLEFM97FPB, GLEFM97FPW, GLEFM97GPB, GLEFM97GPW, LEEFM389FE, PLEF398AC, PLEF398CC, PLEF398DC, PLEFM399DC, PLEFMZ99EC, PLEFM99GC,

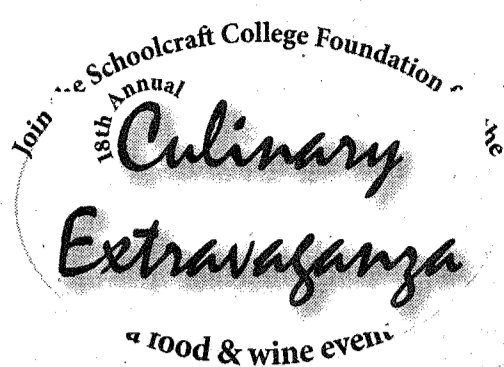
PLEFZ398EC, PLEFZ398GC.

Consumers should stop using the recalled ranges immediately and contact Frigidaire or Sears to schedule a free repair. Contact Frigidaire at (800) 449-9812. If you purchased your range from Sears call (800) 449-9810.

By the way, my darling Valorie who is a retired school principal, professionally trained to react to anything to do with the word fire, had me turn off the circuit breaker to the Frigidaire range. It is just good sense to do so especially if the range can come on by itself during the middle of the night.

A few weeks ago a lady called me on the radio show to tell me her Frigidaire range went crazy. She was baking something at 350 degrees and the oven heated to more than 500 degrees. She shut it off and it continued to heat and the only way it shut off was when her husband shut off the circuit breaker. That was enough of a scare for anyone. I remind you of my past statements on recalls. Some 68 percent of recalled products are not known by American homeowners. Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can be heard at 8 a.m., Saturdays on WAAM 1600 and Sundays at 2 p.m. on WDTK 1400. You can e-mail your problems and questions on appliances to [appldr@twmi.com](mailto:appldr@twmi.com)

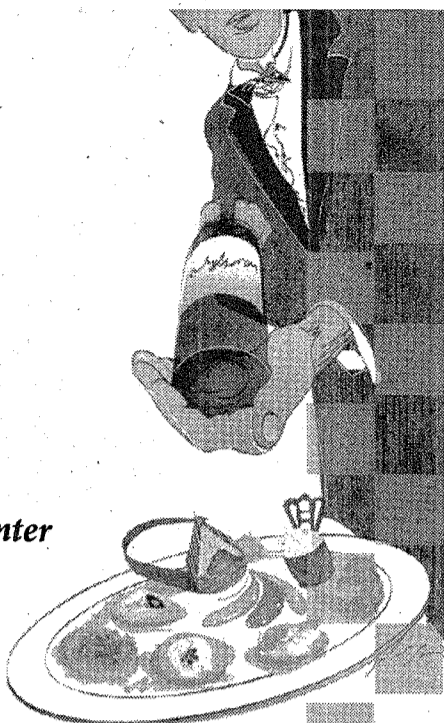


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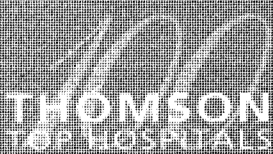
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IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Don't let construction near the Livonia Public Library discourage you from attending the Friends of the Livonia Library's fall used book sale Sept. 25-27.

"One road is blocked and people have to park down a ways," said Carol Dubuque, Friends' member in charge of publicity. "But we hope people still come this time. Our book sales are really important and we're doing really well with them."

The organization sells books, CDs and videos three times a year and earns about \$30,000 from each sale, according to Dubuque.

Funds from previous sales have helped maintain the fish tank in the children's area, buy art for the Civic Center Library, establish a teen reading area, and enable the group to present public programs on a variety of topics. The next is 2 p.m., Oct. 18 with Gordon Castelnero, author of *TV Land - Detroit*.

"Our next sale will be in February. Right now I think some of it (book sale pro-

ceeds) will have to go to books, because the book budget was cut," Dubuque said. "Each library had been making a list and then we'd try to meet their needs. I think a lot of it will go back into books now."

The Friends' used book sale runs 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Friday-Saturday and 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

Hardcovers are \$1, paperbacks cost 50 cents, and romances are 25 cents. CDs and videos are priced separately. Buy an entire bag of books on Sunday for \$5. "All of those books people have brought in to us. They're all sorted out so when people come in they have no difficulty finding the books they want."

The sale will be held at the main library at 32777 Five Mile, although proceeds benefit all three of the community's libraries. For more information call (734) 466-2495.

Selling fun

The Beckridge Chorale is selling the 2010 Entertainment Book to support its vocal scholarship program.

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Express yourself

The Canton Communicators Toastmaster club offers an eight-session workshop called Communicating Your Strengths Speech Craft Workshop, 6:30-8:30 p.m., beginning Monday, Sept. 28, at the Canton Coney Island, 8533 Lilley, Canton.

The sessions are designed to help participants improve their performance in business meetings, presentations, job interviews, conversations, sales and problem-solving situations. They'll prepare and present short talks and practice impromptu speaking in a relaxed, enjoyable atmosphere. The aim is to communicate with confidence and poise.

Cost is \$10 for the series. To enroll, call Bonnie Hilberer at (734) 646-2237 or Joy Rooke at (734) 748-2359.

- Sharon Dargay

REUNION CALENDAR

The Reunion Calendar runs Sundays in the paper as space allows, and online in its entirety at [www.hometownlife.com](http://www.hometownlife.com). Submit your announcement at least two weeks in advance to Sharon Dargay at [sdargay@hometownlife.com](mailto:sdargay@hometownlife.com).

Andover and Lahser High Schools Class of 1969

Joint 40th reunion Oct. 3, at the Birmingham Athletic Club. Andover graduates e-mail to Liz Buckner at [Bucknerliz@gmail.com](mailto:Bucknerliz@gmail.com). Lahser graduates contact Linda Hague Sykes at [lsykes@woh.rr.com](mailto:lsykes@woh.rr.com).

Birmingham High School Class of 1953 and 1954

55th reunion weekend, Oct. 9-10, at Centerpointe Marriott, in Pontiac. Call Denise Baldwin at (248) 540-4078 for details.

Detroit Pershing Class of 1960

50th reunion festivities in September 2010 will be held at the Doubletree Guest Suites Fort Shelby in downtown Detroit. For more information call Sherry Forbush (Sharon Bailey) at (248) 994-0664 or Joan Harrington (Mazey) at (734) 595-7508.

Detroit Redford Classes of 1954-1955

5 p.m., Oct. 13, at the Bavarian Inn Lodge, Frankenmuth; \$45 per person. See [www.redfordhighschoolreunion.com](http://www.redfordhighschoolreunion.com) for details. Class of '54 contact Doug King at [dking000@ameritech.net](mailto:dking000@ameritech.net). Class of '55 contact, Mary Morris Hunter at [m.morris.rhs55@wowway.com](mailto:m.morris.rhs55@wowway.com).

Detroit St. Brigid Class of 1959

Planning a reunion and looking for classmates. Contact szonyek@att.net with any information about classmates.

Detroit St. Thomas

Reunion for anyone who attended Detroit St. Thomas Apostle, 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Oct. 24, 2009, at The American Polish Cultural Center, 2975 E. Maple, Troy. There will be a complete sit-down dinner including all drinks and music. The cost per person is \$45. For information, call Rose Ann Filar-Novik at (248) 770-1271.

Farmington High School Class of 1970

Planning reunion in 2010. Seeking classmates. Join the group on Facebook by searching Farmington High School Class of 1970 Reunion. Or e-mail Carla Campbell Lehn at [dblehna@aol.com](mailto:dblehna@aol.com).

Ferndale High School Classes 1962-66

Reunion class of 1964 invites classes 1962-66 to the homecoming game and a tour of Ferndale High on Oct. 2 and a party at Via Nove, Oct. 3, in downtown Ferndale. Contact Barbara Tierney at (248) 910-9908 or [bjs202@aol.com](mailto:bjs202@aol.com); Susan Payne at [suspayne@msn.com](mailto:suspayne@msn.com); Donna Wilson at [donnagillespie83@yahoo.com](mailto:donnagillespie83@yahoo.com), or Peggy Connolly at [pegnbar@centel.net](mailto:pegnbar@centel.net).

Fordson High School Classes of 1943-45

65th reunion, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Friday, Sept. 25, at Park Place, 23400 Park Street, one block south of Michigan Avenue, west of Outer Drive, in Dearborn. Cost is \$25 per person and includes luncheon. Send a check payable to "Fordson 65th Reunion" to Tom Novacheff, 50729 Raintree Circle, Chesterfield Township, MI 48047. Canceled check is your receipt. For more information, call Delores Dysarz Haush at (313) 278-4707.

Class of 1954

55-year reunion Oct. 1 at the Stitt American Legion Post 232 in Dearborn Heights. For more information, call Nancy Barlow Gaspar at (313) 581-6623.

Class of 1984

25-year reunion, 6 p.m.-midnight, Saturday, Nov. 28, Burton Manor in Livonia. Cost is \$65 per person and includes dinner, dancing/DJ, and full bar. A photographer will be on-site taking and selling group and individual photos. Invitations will be mailed out in October.

E-mail Michele (Tonna) Belczak at [michelebel@sbccglobal.net](mailto:michelebel@sbccglobal.net) or Melanie (Monaghan) Scharboneau at [mscharboneau@yahoo.com](mailto:mscharboneau@yahoo.com) to provide current mailing address.

Garden City High School Class of 1960

Mini-reunion luncheons held the second Saturday of every month at 1 p.m. in the banquet room in the Plymouth Denny's on Ann Arbor Road, east of I-275. Call Gary Simon at (734) 751-4101 or send e-mail to [GCHS.MCMLX@yahoo.com](mailto:GCHS.MCMLX@yahoo.com).

Garden City West Class of 1979

Holds a 30-year class reunion on Oct. 24, 2009 at the Hellenic Cultural Center on Joy Road in Westland. Classmates should register on the private Web site, <http://www.classcreator.com/Garden-City-MI-Garden-City-West-1979>, to get all information. Tickets will go on sale in the upcoming months on the Web site. E-mail questions to [gcv79reunion@yahoo.com](mailto:gcv79reunion@yahoo.com).

Ladywood

Class of 1984

25th reunion, Dec. 26; for information e-mail to Sara Czarniecki Levitsky at [saralevitsky@comcast.net](mailto:saralevitsky@comcast.net)

Livonia Bentley

Classes of 1968-1970

Combined class reunion Friday, Nov. 27, 2009, at the Radisson Hotel Detroit-Livonia, I-275 and Six Mile. For details, visit [www.bentley686970.org](http://www.bentley686970.org) to e-mail, or call Connie (Scarlett) Flynn class of 1968 at (734) 812-7936, Bev (Valentine) Wilkie class of 1969 at (248) 366-6492 or Colleen Siewbar class of 1970 at (734) 455-1395.

Classes of '78, '79, '80

Combo-Class Reunion Friday, Nov. 27, at St. Mary's Cultural Center, 18100, Livonia. Tickets are \$50 before Nov. 1 and \$60 after. Doors open at 6 p.m. The event includes food, live music and an open bar. Visit [www.bentleyclassof1979.com](http://www.bentleyclassof1979.com). Contact [bentleyclassof78@yahoo.com](mailto:bentleyclassof78@yahoo.com) or call John at (734) 358-3272.

Livonia Franklin

Class of 1969

A 40th high school reunion is in the planning stages. The dates are set for Nov. 13-15. For information, contact Kathy Nisun at (248) 363-5679 or e-mail [Kaynini@aol.com](mailto:Kaynini@aol.com) or Kathy Shoebrieger at [klivingstone@nu-core.com](mailto:klivingstone@nu-core.com).

Livonia Stevenson

Class of 1979

30th reunion, 6 p.m., Nov. 28, Station 885, 995 Starkweather, Plymouth. Tickets cost \$35 per person before Nov. 14 and \$50 per person after the date and at the door. Contact Lisa Falk at [lisanefalk@comcast.net](mailto:lisanefalk@comcast.net)

Redford Union

Class of 1989

20 year reunion Saturday, Oct 24 at Warren Valley Golf Club. For information or to register call Sharon at (734) 261-3264 or e-mail to [celebrationstoremember@yahoo.com](mailto:celebrationstoremember@yahoo.com)

St. Mary of Redford

Class of 1969

40-year reunion, Saturday Nov. 14, 2009 at the Monaghan Knights of Columbus in Livonia. If interested in helping to plan the event or contacting classmates call Mark Coulter at (734) 453-5423 or e-mail to [mcoulter@gr-lakes.com](mailto:mcoulter@gr-lakes.com).

Westland John Glenn

Class of 1984

25th reunion, 6-11 p.m., Oct. 3, at Wayne Tree Manor. \$45. Send checks to 25th Class Reunion, PO Box 222, Wayne, MI 48184. For more information e-mail to [kellybellym3@yahoo.com](mailto:kellybellym3@yahoo.com) or [MPRESS66@hotmail.com](mailto:MPRESS66@hotmail.com).

Class of 1969

40th Reunion Weekend, Friday-Saturday, Oct. 9-10. Friday activities: 6:45 p.m. football game JGHS vs. WMHS; 7:30-11:00 p.m. social mixer at Hilton Garden Inn, near airport. Saturday activities: 10:30 a.m. tour of John Glenn High School, 6 p.m.-midnight reunion dinner at Hilton Garden Inn. For tickets and information, contact [jghs69@aol.com](mailto:jghs69@aol.com); Facebook JGHS Class of 1969 or Sandra Shepherd Legg at (313) 273-7950. Registration deadline, Sept. 5 at [JGHS69@aol.com](mailto:JGHS69@aol.com).

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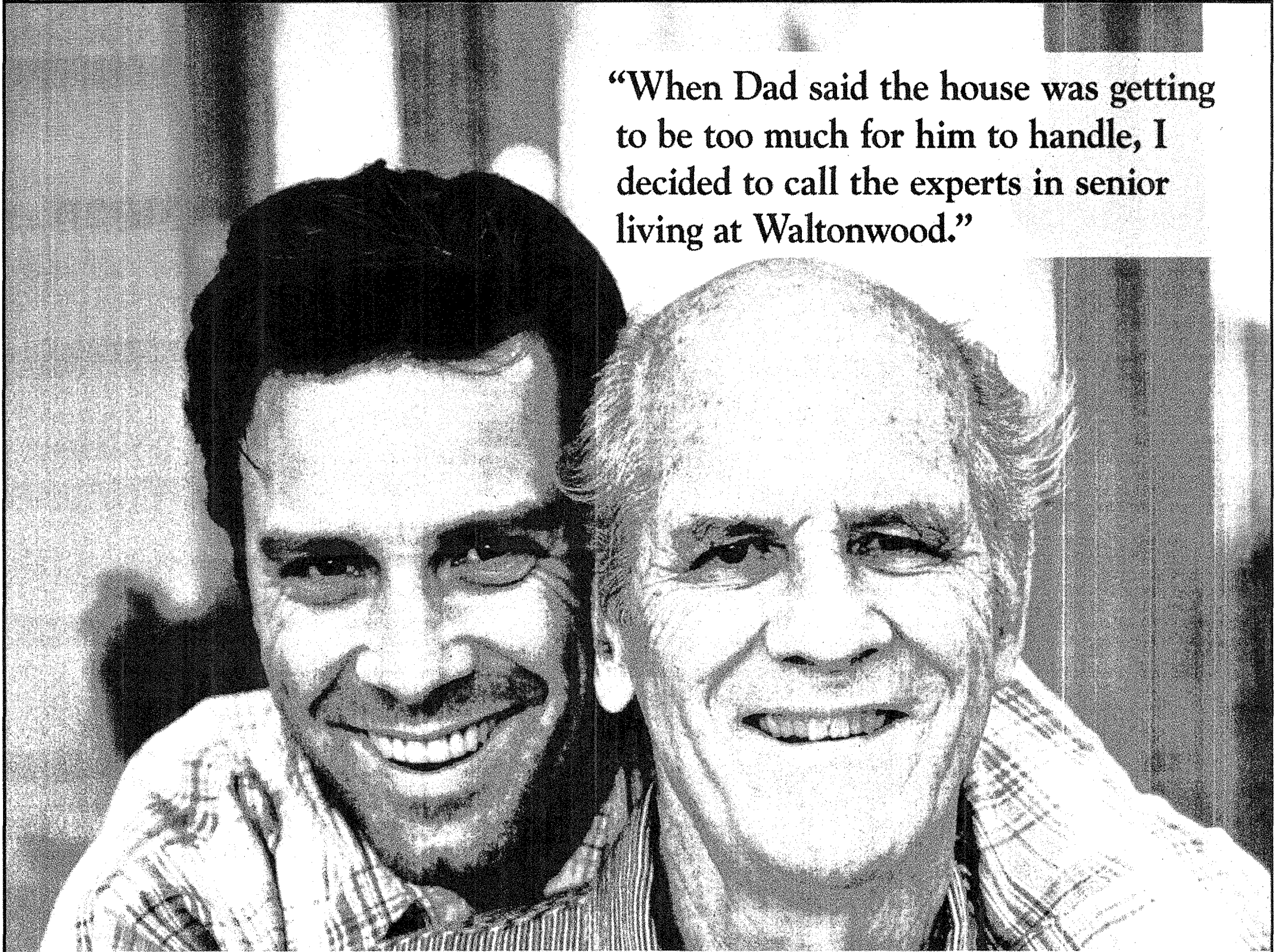
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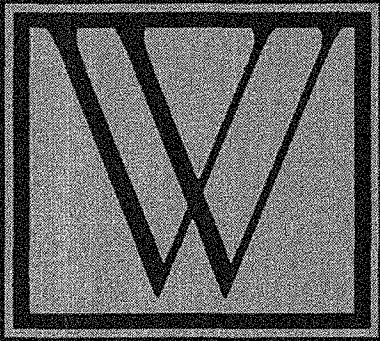
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# HEALTH & FITNESS

## Remarkable milestone for Florine Mark's luncheon

BY WENDSY VON BUSKIRK  
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Florine Mark never expected to hear the "C" word. As President and Chairman of the Board of The WW Group, Mark eats healthy, exercises frequently, and abstains from alcohol, cigarettes, even coffee.

Yet during her recent Remarkable Women Luncheon, held Thursday, Sept. 24 at the Ritz-Carlton in Dearborn, Mark told the audience she is not immune to health scares.

"I had a 12-week medical adventure with colon cancer and lung cancer," the Farmington Hills resident said from the podium.

Last December, during a routine colonoscopy, Mark's doctor found a polyp. It proved to be malignant.

"The news took my breath away," Mark said.

She spent nine days in the hospi-



Mark

Women Luncheon even more meaningful to her, Mark said. Each year, the non-profit event raises money for women's health causes. Net proceeds are divided between Beaumont Ministrelli's Women's Heart Center, Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Center and the University of Michigan Cardiovascular Center.

"Wouldn't it be wonderful if I stood up here one day in front of you and said we found a cure for this, and a cure for that?" Mark said.

About 500 people, mostly women,

tal recovering from surgery to remove 5 1/2 inches of her colon. Then, weeks later, Mark underwent another surgery to have a spot removed from her lung.

The experience made the 10th annual Remarkable

attended the luncheon this year.

Before a meal of low calorie chicken salad and iced tea, attendees were invited to meet exhibitors in the lobby. Health-related exhibits included Susan G. Komen for the Cure, offering resources for early breast cancer detection; University of Michigan's Livonia Vein Center, which treats spider and varicose veins; and the Breast & Cervical Cancer Control Program, which helps women 40-65 years old qualify for free breast and cervical screening.

"You have to be your own advocate. It's your body," Mark said.

Authors Linda Kaplan Thayer ("The Power of Small") and Denene Millner ("Act Like a Lady, Think Like a Man") were keynote speakers.

Thayer discussed her book "The Power of Small: Why little things make all the difference."

"Think big, 'big picture,' 'don't sweat the small stuff,' look where that's left us - big bankruptcies, big trouble. If just one woman had read the fine print we wouldn't be in this mess," she quipped. "We look for the big moments. We rarely enjoy the small moments."

Solve big problems by chopping them into manageable pieces, she suggested. Give yourself little rewards on the way to larger goals.

Strike up small talk - you never know where it will lead.

"It's like throwing out seeds every time you do one kind gesture, one small deed, you don't know how it's going to flower," she said.

Millner said her book, "Act Like a Lady, Think Like a Man," which she co-wrote with comedian Steve Harvey, is aimed at "getting women to realize that men just don't think like us, at all."

The freelance entertainment jour-

nalist lives outside Atlanta and regularly appears on 'The Today Show,' CBS Early Show, CNN, MSNBC and VH1.

She said her book "shows you how to keep your marriage together by being confident in yourself, and how he's going to be looking at you and what's going on in his mind," she said. "We're not alike, and that's okay."

After the speakers, Mark led a panel of Detroit media personalities through a roundtable chat.

Detroit News columnist Laura Berman and local television news anchors Diana Lewis (WXYZ), Rhonda Walker (WDIV) and Sherry Margolis (celebrating 25 years on WJBK that day) answered questions about career, family and staying healthy.

The event was presented by Weight Watchers and SmartOnes, and sponsored in part by the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

### MEDICAL DATEBOOK

#### SEPT. 21-27

##### Baby Basics

9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 26, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. Get the basics of baby care and breastfeeding all in one class designed for first time parents. They'll learn the skills of feeding, bathing, diapering, skin care, soothing and safety. Dr. Sunil Menawat will discuss infant illness and child immunization. There is a fee. To register, call St. Mary Mercy Hospital's Marian Women's Center at (734) 655-1162.

##### Women's health seminar

Camaryn Chrisman, assistant professor, University of Michigan Department

of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Divya Patel, research assistant professor, U of M Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology and Talat Danish, medical director, Wayne County Public Health, will talk about HPV and cervical cancer during a seminar 7-8:30 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 22, at Schoolcraft College, VistaTech Center, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. The experts will lead a discussion that includes the connection between HPV and cervical cancer, issues and public concerns that affect vaccine decisions and HPV disparities across race, ethnicity, and class. Free. For more information call (734) 936-8886.

#### SEPT. 28-OCT. 4

##### Prostate screening

Free screenings, consisting of a blood test and a digital rectal exam, 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 23, at the Vattikuti Urology Institute at Henry Ford Hospital 2799 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit. Appointments are required. To schedule one, call (313) 916.2062

##### Pain awareness

7-9 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 30, in classroom #1, in the administration building at William Beaumont Hospital, 3601 W. 13 Mile, west of Woodward, Royal Oak. Martin Tamler and Sharon Ostalecki, will sign their recent book, "100 Questions & Answers About

Fibromyalgia." Virginia Drouin-Berry will talk about managing the pain of Fibromyalgia. Carol Young present an interactive talk, with chair exercises, about Fibromyalgia and exercise. The conference and book-signing are free and refreshments will be served. RSVP to hope@hffcf.org.

##### Pampering for cancer patients

Just for You, a free day of education, emotional support and pampering for women with cancer, their family members and friends, runs 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 2, at Edgewood Country Club, 8399 Commerce Road, Commerce. Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital presents the program which includes a continental breakfast, lunch, hand and chair massages, Reike therapy, reflexology and information about stress management, sleep, cancer and sex, pain management, and maintaining a positive outlook. Health and fitness expert Peter Nielsen will be the keynote speaker. Register by calling (888) DMC-2500 or by visiting www.dmc.org/peoplesmedicalcollege/

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#### OCT. 5-11

##### Ladies night out

"Women's Health 101" Tuesday, Oct. 6 in the St. Mary Mercy Hospital Auditorium, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. Bone density screening, blood pressure screening and massage, 5:30 - 7 p.m.; lecture 7 - 8:30 p.m. The speaker is St. Mary Mercy Hospital Physician, Karin Dimon. (734) 655-4800

#### OCT. 12-18

##### Addiction conference

Robert Ackerman will speak at the Tri-county Prevention Institute for Alcohol & Other Drugs' 7th Annual Keys to Understanding Addiction and Consequences of Use workshop. The workshop will focus on the impact of addiction on the family, strategies for

individual and family intervention, and ways to facilitate family transitions and recovery. The one-day workshop will be held 7:45 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 13, at Henry Ford Health System's Allan D. Gilmour Center for Learning, One Ford Place, in Detroit. Cost is \$60. Continuing Education Credits will be offered to professionals. Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. Pre-registration is required. For more information, call (248) 661-6170.

##### Stroke conference

Registration deadline for a one-day community education conference, sponsored by Beaumont Hospital, is Oct. 16. The conference, called "Life After Stroke...Back on Track," runs 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 22, at the Troy Community Center, 3179 Livernois, north of Big Beaver, in Troy. It will offer an overview of stroke, tips on prevention, treatment and recovery. Includes exhibits, lunch, presentations and panel discussions. Fee is \$10. Call Beaumont's Physician Referral Service at (800) 633-7377.

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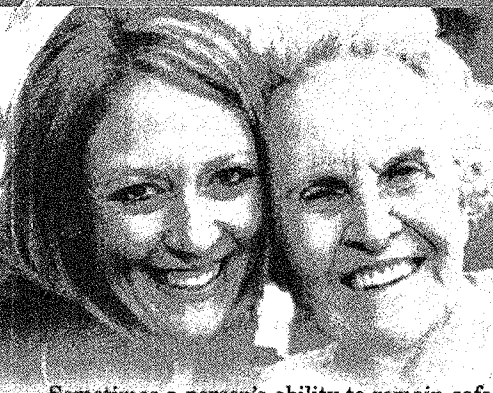
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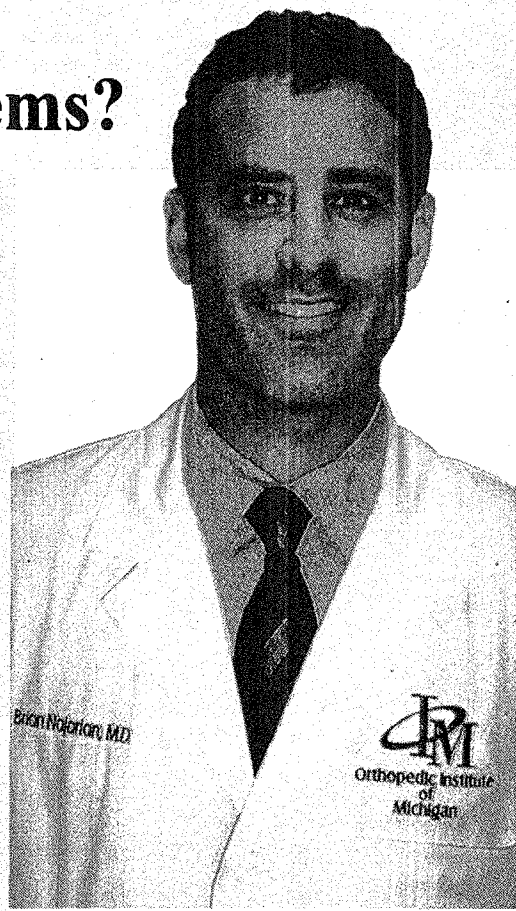
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