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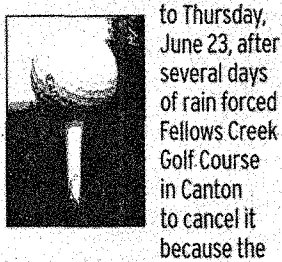
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If you were trying to reach us Friday, June 3, we may have missed the call. Due to technical problems, the Observer & Eccentric phones were out of order at various times in the afternoon. We apologize for the inconvenience. If you ever experience difficulties reaching us by phone, please email oads@hometownlife.com. You can also leave us a message on facebook.

Golf outing

Golfers who missed signing up for the Westland Rotary's annual golf outing can still participate.

Originally planned for May 19, the outing has been postponed



to Thursday, June 23, after several days of rain forced Fellows Creek Golf Course in Canton to cancel it because the

golf carts were damaging the fairways and the surrounding grounds.

The golf outing is one of Rotary's largest fundraisers each year. It benefits the Salvation Army and other charity groups

The four-person scramble includes 18 holes — soft spikes required. Registration, with coffee and doughnuts, will be 9:30-10:30 a.m. followed by an 11 a.m. shotgun start. It also includes lunch and beverages at the turn, beer and pop on the course, balls, tees and other goodies, door prizes, dinner and dessert and an open bar.

There also will be a Skins game, closest to the pin (men and women), longest drive (men and women), Hole-in-One contest on every Par 3 and other tests of skill and fun. Golfers can win a new Ford two-year lease and great prizes.

Golf packages are \$125 per golfer and \$450 for a foursome. Sponsorships also are available. Dinner only costs \$30.

For more information, call Mary Vellardita or Dick Isham at (734) 729-5401 or Jeff Juennemann at (734) 261-5010.

Farmers Market

If you haven't stopped by the Westland Farmer's Market yet, make a note to stop by on Tuesday, July 14.

That's when the No. 99 Aflac Ford Fusion show car will be on display 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

This year, the market is being held in the Westland City Hall Parking Lot on Ford Road. Look for vendor grown fresh fruits and vegetables, herbs and spices, plants and vendor-produced farmstead products such as cheese, meats, fish, poultry, eggs, baked goods.

The market is open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Oct. 25. Participant applications can be downloaded at www.cityof-westland.com. Register for the entire season for \$300 or for a single day for \$20

For more information on applications, guidelines, or fees and permits, call Robert Kosowski at (734) 722-7620.

Library board to interview Howell woman

BY LEANNE ROGERS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

With a field of only three candidates for director of Westland's William P. Faust Library, the Library Board wants to interview the only remaining Michigan candidate.

Howell resident Sharon Hupp, former director of the Cromaine Library in Hartland and the Suburban Library Cooperative in Sterling Heights, emerged as the favorite when board

members met to review questionnaires sent to applicants.

The other applicants included Sheila Collins, dean of libraries for the Northeastern State University in Oklahoma, and Rose Frost, director of the Platteville, Wis., library. Collins also has a juris doctorate.

The board had received nine applications for the director position, vacant since Cheryl Napsha left in November to become director of the Provincetown, Mass., library. The field

was narrowed to five applicants, who were asked to respond to the questionnaire and underwent a background check.

Two applicants had dropped out prior to the Library Board study session Wednesday to review the questionnaire responses and discuss how to proceed.

John Martin, who had been director of the Oak Park Library, was recently appointed director of the Loutit District Library in Grand Haven.

The other applicant, Garden City Hospital Director of Library Services Christopher Hunt, took himself out of consideration for the job.

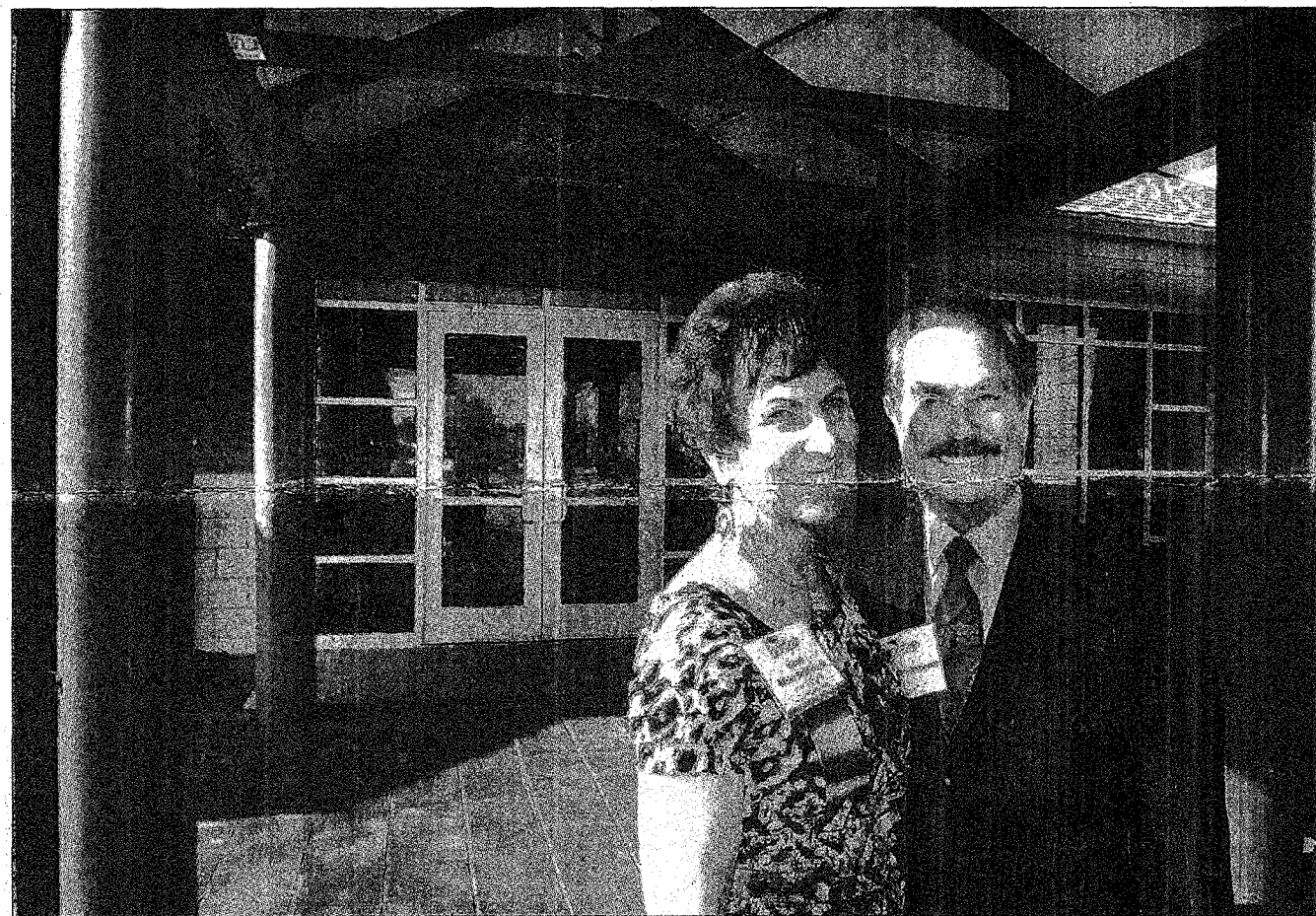
Following a discussion of the merits of each candidate during the study session, a majority of the board — board members Rebecca Kelly, Mark Neal and Duane Moody — supported interviewing Hupp before moving ahead to schedule interviews with Collins and Frost.

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'TRULY A JOYFUL CELEBRATION'

First Step opens doors to place of healing and hope

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER



Karen Wilson Smithbauer and her husband Patrick Smithbauer stand at the entrance of First Step's new residential facility and Family Center which has been named after her.

It was a celebration more than 30 years in the making, and a standing room only crowd was there to watch Karen Wilson Smithbauer cut the ribbon for the grand opening of a home for families fleeing domestic violence.

Flanked by First Step Executive Director Judy Ellis and Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano, Smithbauer's quick work with the oversized scissors made it official. First Step's Family Center and the 14,000-square-foot addition are officially the Karen-Wilson Smithbauer Center.

"This is her day," said her husband, Patrick. "I'm just one of those people standing in awe of her."

"It's my honor to have my name on this building," said Smithbauer. "This place has been a dream of Judy and all of those people who are involved in First Step. This is a safe haven where families can come and have their needs met, where they can find hope again to start over."

The agency began raising funds for the facility in 2008 when it had to leave its location in Canton due to irreparable building conditions. Smithbauer was the lead

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Westland Library Board weighs service to GC residents

BY LEANNE ROGERS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Now that the Garden City Library is scheduled to close on July 1, Garden City residents could lose their privileges at Westland's William P. Faust Public Library or possibly be allowed to pay for borrowing privileges.

Currently, the Faust Library has not terminated the reciprocity checkout

agreement with Garden City but the Westland Library Board will hold their monthly meeting Wednesday. The Library Network has notified its members about the Garden City Library closing and has left it to individual libraries if they wish to continue serving Garden City residents until July 1.

The second issue for the Westland Library Board is whether they are

interested in setting up a program to allow Garden City residents to pay for a nonresident library card.

"I think we will have a discussion at our next meeting. We talked about it (nonresident library cards) at our last meeting but we haven't made a decision," said Westland Library Board President Leslie Bell. "The Library Network basically said each library can make their own decision (on end-

ing borrowing privileges)."

Westland doesn't currently have a program for nonresidents to buy a library card. Under the reciprocity borrowing agreement, people with valid library cards from TLN members could have their cards activated for use at the Westland library.

The most recent numbers from

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Historical groups hold ice cream social

BY LEANNE ROGERS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

There will be old-fashioned games, antique cars and bicycles, along with free ice cream at the Westland Historic Village Park Saturday.

The Westland Historical Commission and the Westland Historical Society are hosting their first Ice Cream Social 1-4 p.m.

"It's the first time we're attempting it, I don't know how it will work out," said Westland Historical Commission member Jo Johnson. "We thought we'd offer something a little different."

Members of the society and commission will be dishing up the ice cream with a choice of toppings. Guests will have an opportunity

to play old-style games and try riding the old-fashioned bicycles — the kind with the enormous wheel.

"There will be game called hoops and graces. We'll set up a croquet game," said Johnson. "We're showing the kids what games people had before they had computers, iPods and all those things."

All of the historic homes at the village will be open for tours during the ice cream social. The event is free although donations will be welcomed.

The Westland Historic Village Park is located on Wayne Road south of Marquette. For more information, call Johnson at (734) 522-3918.

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FIRST STEP

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donor while Wayne County Economic Development Growth Engine (EDGE) was the lead grant in the capital campaign, co-chaired by Loren and David Treadwell. "She created a legacy in southeast Michigan," said Ellis. "She is a woman with a mission to see women and children thrive. Because of her generous gift, we have this building."

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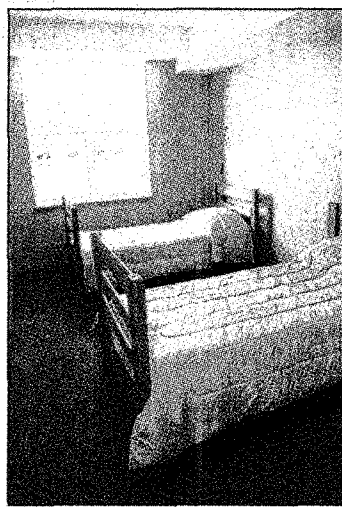
Ellis took time to recognize those people who played a part in the construction of the 14,000-square-foot residential facility like the "World Changers" of Smithbauer and Wayne County EDGE and the "Justice Protectors" of the McGregor Fund and Star Theater and Michael Norris. Also included in the list are Canton Township (Courage builder), IKEA and the Wayne County Airport Authority (Healing Supporters), the Ford Motor Co. Fund and Oakwood Healthcare

System (Peacemakers) and General Motors, the Kresge Foundation and the Stanley and Judith Frankle Family Foundation (Survivor Supporters), to name a few. Plaques have been placed around the facility, acknowledging the donations.

Ellis praised former board member Colleen O'Mally who sketched a plan on a napkin and then hosted "parlor parties and fundraisers" to ensure that much of what she drew on that napkin came to fruition. She also acknowledged the Treadwells "who opened doors and made friends for us to last a long time," and Ficano who has been a supporter of First Step for at least 25 years. "I know your ultimate goal is the prevention of domestic violence and sexual assault, and this new center will achieve those goals with each survivor who walks through the doors," said Ficano. "I'm proud to be a part of this project and see First Step go on to be so successful."

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Ellis also recognized the Commercial Real Estate



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Some suites' bedrooms have beds, mattresses and bedding, but are still need window treatments.

Women of Detroit (Inspiration Builders) which provided \$200,000 in their expertise to make the project happen, and Zonta of Farmington/Novi and its relationship with First Step that goes back 30 years. "For 17 years, they've held an event at Parisian for us, they're a line item in our budget," Ellis said.

Also recognized was Canton Township which supported

DONATIONS STILL NEEDED

On the First Step wish list are donations to purchase matching items for the facility. They include 12 chest of drawers at \$250 each, 27 night stands at \$60 each, 20 chairs at \$200 each, seven loveseats at \$300 each, 12 mattresses at \$200 each, 10 toddler beds at \$100 each, 10 small tables and chairs at \$100 per set, 20 side tables at \$10 each, kitchen cabinets with counters at \$20,000, including installation, and \$10,000

First Step "ever since we put our feet down on 10 acres of nowhere," Ellis said. When the former shelter was torn down, the township waived the \$40,000 in dumping fees.

"They came together for us, we didn't have the money, we were building this place," Ellis said.

The new residential facility can accommodate up to 50 survivors a night. Each suite has its own private bath, a small living area and a mini-kitchen. It's also has a fully equipped SANE (Sexual

Assault Nurse Examiner) clinic, children's areas, counseling areas and program space. Admittedly opening the facility is a huge success for the agency which started in 1978 with a few volunteers, but there's still more to be done. Some rooms have been furnished with the help of IKEA in Canton, but donations are needed for such things as furnishings, a children's playground and phone and security system. It costs \$5,170 to fully furnish one room with items from the IKEA wish list,

Commercial washers (two), \$1,200, commercial electric dryers, (four), \$2,000. Outdoor tables (six) \$240. Fencing, \$2,500. Snowblower, \$1,600. Sprinkler system, \$5,000. Landscaping, \$5,000. Donations can be sent to First Step, 44567 Pinetree Drive, Plymouth, MI 48170. For more information, call (734) 416-1111 or go online to www.firststep-mi.org.

Target items, window treatments and mattresses. The playground is \$80,000 and the technology another \$15,000.

Looking around the new facility, Smithbauer said there was never a point when she thought the center would not be completed.

"I had confidence that they would be able to get this done, with all the people working so hard on it, I knew it would happen," she said. "This is a legacy, that's for sure."

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LIBRARY

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the Westland library have 88,574 library cards issued of which 62,500 are held by Westland residents. There are

4,583 Garden City residents with cards activated at the Westland library but only 2,269 are currently active.

An individual nonresident library card could be used at the library where it was purchased. The cost varies by library from \$45 in Dearborn

Heights and Livonia to \$130 in Redford Township.

With an eye on possible nearby library closings due to budget cuts, last month Westland library attorney Michael McNamara updated the board on court cases regarding library access.

"The law is clear. Anyone can come into any library and read but not check out materials," said McNamara. "As of now, the courts have ruled that local libraries can restrict services that non-

residents can use. Effectively, that is use of computers and checking out materials. You have no constitutional right to use library services as a nonresident. As of right now, it's a local decision (on borrowing materials)."

Some libraries have chosen to let nonresidents have borrowing privileges for a fee, he said, while other libraries don't allow nonresidents to check out materials. One concern is the burden placed on libraries, all facing budget

cuts, by nonresidents.

"It's difficult, your residents pay for the library. You could be a good neighbor and allow others to use it," said McNamara. "A lot of libraries rely on the Friends of the Library and other sources to stay open. The idea (charging for nonresident cards) is to recoup costs for the services — not make money."

A concern is that no one will approve a local library millage, if their residents are able to buy cards and use

libraries in other communities, he said.

The Garden City Council voted to close the library, located inside the Maplewood Community Center, as part of budget cuts after the recent defeat of a public millage. A half mill to fund the library will be on the Nov. 8 general election ballot, but if it is approved, the funding would not become available until July 1, 2012.

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Tutors ready to help adults improve reading skills

BY LEANNE ROGERS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Westland's William P. Faust Public Library will soon have 32 trained volunteer tutors for the new adult literacy program, now they need people interested in improving their reading skills.

"We've gotten to the point where we need more students. A lot of them are out there, we just need to reach them," said Kristy Cooper, a librarian who has spearheaded the adult literacy program. "Most literacy groups have a waiting list for tutors."

The literacy program began evolving since last fall when Westland resident Nia Bozeman became the first tutor and started meeting with a student. Cooper posted a sign and Bozeman responded.

"I had participated in a tutor/literacy program in Detroit last year. I moved to Westland and filled out the form," said Bozeman. "I had been looking for volunteer opportunities. I have a background in social work. I like to help people."

Cooper, who completed the training through the Washtenaw Literacy Council herself and is currently working with a student, matched Bozeman with a woman interested in improving her reading skills.

"She was reading at fifth-grade level. She had a hard time with phonics, so we worked on that," said Bozeman. "She wanted help with filling out job applications. It was going pretty well. We were making progress."

Bozeman met with the woman weekly for several months until April.

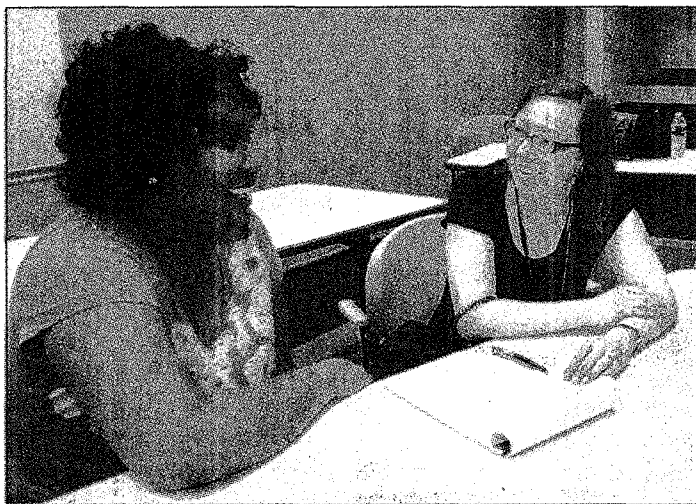
"Now I've had no contact with her. It's not surprising — some students drop out," she

said. "They feel overwhelmed or have other issues. When you have adult students, you have to factor in all the emotional factors and other issues in their lives. It's hard to come forward."

It's also hard work. Adults matched with a tutor need to commit to meeting with their tutor two hours each week at a mutually convenient time.

"Some people don't realize the commitment, there is no magic formula. They are getting the one-on-one attention they didn't get in school to get them over the bump," said Cooper. "The more the tutor works with them, the more the tutor learns their style of learning and what works for them."

Most adults who use literacy tutors have some basic reading skills, Cooper said, but need to improve those skills to seek a better job, continue their education or for more personal



Westland resident Nia Bozeman (left) was the first volunteer tutor in the Westland Library adult literacy program started by librarian Kristy Cooper.

reasons like being able to read to their children or grandchildren.

"I think a lot of the students don't realize how common this is, it's more uncommon to see people step up looking for help," said Cooper. "I help people on the computers looking for jobs and I can see that they don't really have the reading skills. They are ready to ask for computer help but not with literacy help."

Sometimes adults seek help improving their reading in response to a big change in

their lives. Bozeman recalled her student had lost a stable job that she had held for a long time.

For those held back from seeking help by embarrassment or fear that other people will know they had poor reading skills, Cooper stressed that the tutoring is confidential and private.

For more information about the adult literacy program, call the library at (734) 326-6123.

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Hearing adjourned for ex-clerk charged with embezzlement

BY LEANNE ROGERS
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The preliminary examination for a former Westland 18th District Court clerk charged with stealing money posted for bond has been adjourned until July 25.

Westland resident Lynne Marie Handzlik, 52, is charged on three felony counts of embezzlement. An investigation by the Michigan State Police was requested by the court administrator after an audit found \$2,000 in court funds were missing. A not guilty plea has been entered for Handzlik, who remains free on \$5,000 personal bond.

Handzlik served as the bond clerk for the 18th District Court. Her daily responsibilities included receiving and processing bond money delivered by the Westland Police Department. Handzlik was responsible for documenting the funds after they were delivered by police and matching

the funds to their corresponding court files. Handzlik would then deliver the funds with the appropriate court file to the court's bond cashier.

It is alleged that Handzlik embezzled \$1,000 on three times occasions — Oct. 20, 2010, Nov. 4, 2010, and Nov. 5, 2010. Handzlik used the last \$1,000 bond payment to pay back the first in an attempt to avoid detection. Handzlik allegedly signed for the payments, but failed to turn them over to the bond cashier. Instead, it is alleged she took the cash for her own personal use.

The charges against Handzlik are being handled through 19th District Court in Dearborn to avoid a conflict of interest in Westland. Judge William Hultgren is scheduled to hear the preliminary examination. Handzlik faces a maximum possible penalty of 10 years in prison, if convicted.

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Graham students show they've got talent

BY SUE MASON
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Piers Morgan, Sharon Osbourne and Howie Mandel couldn't be there, but that was of no concern for students at P.D. Graham, who proved they had talent for the school's annual show.

Thirty-two youngsters came up with their own acts and costumes and took to the stage to sing, dance, play the drums and the piano — there even was a class act, as in teacher Aileen Balatico and her third-grade class.

"Anything they wanted to do, they decided on their own," parent Sherry Mullins said. "They bring their own thing. They give so much of themselves."

Graham has been having a talent show for 10 years. The students audition — although they all make it into the show — and rehearse once a week for two or three months. They also have a dress rehearsal, before doing two shows — an afternoon performance for their classmates and an evening show their parents. The afternoon show featured the teachers dancing to *Do You Remember*.

Parents Cheryl Posuniak and Jen Boze chaired the event and Balatico worked



Julia Rodriguez dances to the music from "Shrek."

with them, creating a grand finale, involving all of the acts. Her class also performed to the "Fireworks" song.

"It's cool because you get to see all of their talents you don't see during the day," Principal Jennifer Curry said. "This is much more elaborate than what we did at Hoover, it's much more



Lily Posuniak and Emily Gamble handled the hostess duties for the annual talent show.

elaborate with the stage decorations and everything. What helps is having great parent involvement."

"Some of the acts are phenomenal," Mullins added. "One little girl was too shy to sing on her own and when her friend dropped out, on

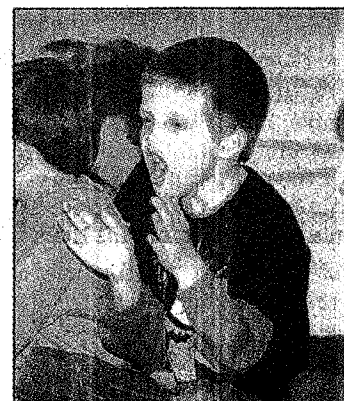
her own she came up with a dance act. I think it's things like that that make it so special."

Mullins has been helping with the show for six years, ever since her son was in kindergarten. He's now in fifth grade and in another school,

so she's there working with her daughter, a first-grader.

"The kids are so courageous," she said. "I really enjoy watching them get up there and do what they do with a smile on their faces."

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Braden Leverenz has plenty of applause for the performers in the P.D. Graham talent show.



Hayley Rodriguez tap dances to the song "Beggin."

INTERVIEW

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The remaining board members, president Leslie Bell and Antoinette Martin, favored

scheduling interviews with all three candidates. The out-of-state candidates would not be reimbursed for travel expenses.

"We can get her (Hupp) in right away. I'm not opposed to then interviewing the other

candidates," said Kelly. "She (Hupp) is No. 1 on paper with all of us — that's pretty amazing."

Bell wanted board members to develop set questions for Hupp and possibly other candidates. Other board members

also wanted to be able to ask other follow-up questions.

"We should be able to ask what we want. Something might pop up while we are interviewing," said Martin.

"I'm not comfortable going in without knowing what we're

going to ask," said Bell.

As board president, Bell can ask a standard set of questions, Library Attorney Michael McNamara said, then other board members could ask their follow-up questions.

Board members will meet

to review possible questions at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday prior to their regular 7 p.m. board meeting. Bell will contact Hupp to schedule an interview later this month.

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Growing up, Edward Pugliesi dreamed of learning to fly. He passed the Civilian Pilot Training Program established in 1938 by the U.S. government in preparation for World War II and still flies today at the age of 87.

D-Day brings back memories for World War II veteran

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
CORRESPONDENT

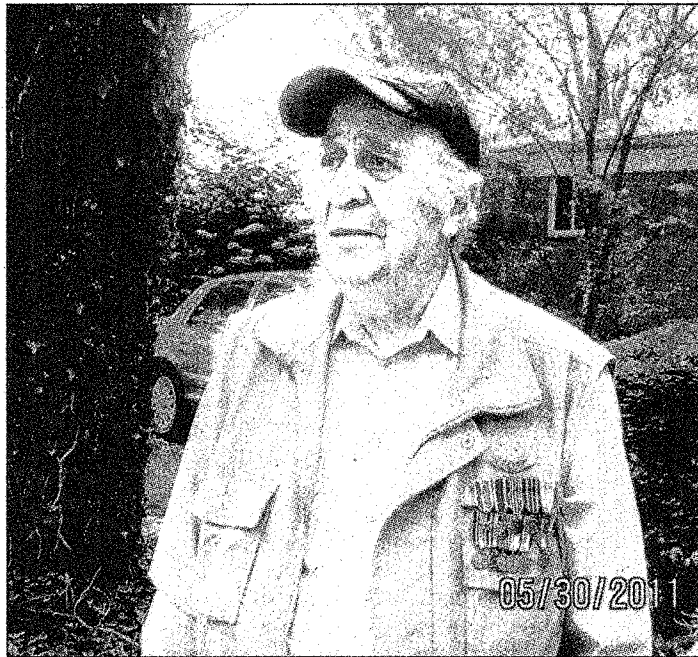
"It was all of us." Edward Pugliesi wants to make it clear he wasn't alone when Allied forces invaded France on D-Day, June 6, 1944. Nearly three million troops from 12 nations, including the United States, fought in German-occupied Western Europe during the Normandy Invasion that lasted until June 30 that year. By nightfall June 6, 9,000 Allied troops were dead. "The dead ones are the story," said Pugliesi, 87. "Cemeteries all over Europe are filled with those who died. Tell a little about them."

Pugliesi was just a scared 19-year-old kid that day. He had passed the Civilian Pilot Training Program established in 1938 by the U.S. government in preparation for the imminent war. Upon successful completion, Pugliesi became a member of the Army Air Corps and served as a glider pilot from 1942-45.

A humble man, Pugliesi sits on the couch of his Livonia home thumbing through the list of glider pilots killed in action. The National World War II Glider Pilots Association published the newsletter. According to the organization, approximately 6,000 were trained as glider pilots and earned their wings. Only about 500 dues-paying men remain, due to ages that range from 83 to 95.

'THE BODY PREPARES FOR DEATH'

"We were all scared. We weren't going to a picnic," Pugliesi said. "France was all German territory and they prepared for an invasion. You could feel the adrenaline. The body prepares for death and danger." Allied forces prepared for months as well. Glider planes were towed into the air and flew without engines to sneak up on the enemy. Primarily used in World War II, the aircraft was eventually replaced by the helicopter. Pugliesi flew a CG4A with an 83-foot wingspan. "They told us you're going to go there and they'll try to kill you and you're going to try to kill



"I'd rather not be looked at as a hero," says Edward Pugliesi of Livonia. "We left several thousands of them in the cemeteries. Let's not forget them."

them," Pugliesi said. "We left a lot of guys there."

Men died as well in glider pilot training and are listed as Died in the Line of Duty by the Glider Pilots Association.

"It was very dangerous to learn to land an aircraft without an engine," Pugliesi said. "Many froze without an instructor (on board). It was very difficult."

Pugliesi was one of the lucky ones. He returned home to earn a bachelor of science and master of education and start doctoral studies under the G.I. Bill of Rights at Wayne University, as it was then known. He taught industrial arts in Detroit Public Schools for 33 years before retiring and eventually finished his doctorate in computer sciences.

STILL FLYING

Never one to sit idle, Pugliesi worked for another 18 1/2 years as an exhibit designer for Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village. All the while, he continued flying. Twice a week, Pugliesi is still behind the controls of his Cessna single-engine plane, although for shorter distances these days.

"As a kid I liked to look up and see an airplane, but it was out of reach to become a pilot unless wealthy or military. Others, we could just dream," said Pugliesi, whose father was an Italian immigrant. "I thought flying

was like a magic carpet. A honeymoon can wear off, but there isn't a time just before takeoff that I don't get butterflies. Are all these nuts and bolts going to get off the ground?"

When not in the sky, Pugliesi is in front of one of his three computers working on writing projects that lean to the scientific. He also tutors those looking to learn computer programs like Excel and AutoCAD. Pugliesi completed eight semesters of drafting in junior high and then at Cass Tech.

His Livonia home is filled with displays of blowtorches and model sailing ships. He made two of the lamps from tools, linkages and machine parts.

One of his favorite pastimes is target shooting with son Gregory, of Westland. Pugliesi has three children, including Julie of Pinconning and David of Westland. Three children call him granddad and one great-granddad.

"He's my hero," said Phyllis Bush, who's shared Pugliesi's life for the last 30 years after his wife died.

His abstract drawings and Bush's oil paintings decorate the house.

"I'd rather not be looked at as a hero," Pugliesi said. "We left several thousands of them in the cemeteries. Let's not forget them."

New condo owner is on the hook for special fees

Q: Dear Rick: I bought a condominium earlier this year. It was a relatively straightforward deal. I paid cash. Everything has been fine and there have been no problems except a couple of weeks ago I received a notice from the condominium association that I owed nearly \$3,000 for a special assessment. A couple of years back there was an assessment and the payments are due July 1 every year for the next three years. I contacted my real estate agent who handled the transaction and she was not helpful. I then contacted the seller's real estate broker and he said that it was my responsibility and that I have to pay it. The condo association told me that if it's not paid it becomes a lien on my property. Do I have to pay the assessment?



Money Matters
Rick Bloom

A: Unfortunately, after reviewing your letter, the answer is yes. The special assessment follows the property. Whoever owns the property at the time the assessment is due is liable to make the payment. The next question is if you have any legal rights against other parties involved in the purchase. In my opinion, you have no rights against the seller unless the seller misrepresented the assessment to you. Go to the purchase agreement that defines the parties' rights and obligations. In your agreement it appears that nothing was

assessments and, thus, there is no liability from the seller's standpoint.

It appears from your letter that you did not have an attorney represent you, rather, you used your Realtor. The question then is does your real estate agent have any legal obligation? In most cases you would think that your agent would know or ask if the condominium association had any special assessments. The question is did your agent inquire about a special assessment. If he/she did not, I do believe, potentially, you have a claim against the Realtor for malpractice.

What complicates the matter further is I don't know what sort of an agreement you signed. Typically, Realtors do have you execute documents that set forth the terms of representation and that would be an important document to review.

My advice is to discuss your situation with an attorney. If you do decide to hire an attorney, retain one who will take the case on a contingency fee. A contingency fee basically gives the attorney a percent of what is recovered. If nothing is recovered, there is no cost to you. On the other hand, if money is collected, the attorney takes up to a third of what is recovered.

There are many attorneys who potentially will take this case on a contingency fee and I recommend that you receive a referral from your family and friends. In addition, you can also receive a referral from your local bar association or you can e-mail me.

I cannot stress enough the importance of having

an attorney represent you in a real estate transaction. Realtors are an important part of a real estate transaction, however, they are not attorneys. Attorneys are trained to represent one party in a transaction and only one party.

Special assessments are not unusual when it comes to condominiums and it would seem to me that most qualified Realtors without question would inquire about special assessments. However, the caveat is qualified real estate professionals. Like in all professions, there are some that do their jobs better than others. The key is to always make sure when retaining the services of a professional, you are dealing with someone who has experience in the issues at hand. Condominiums have unique issues and not all condominiums are the same.

One last note regarding the buying or selling of real estate, the key document that sets forth the terms between the parties is the purchase agreement. That is why it is so important whether you are the buyer or seller, before you sign, you understand all the terms, ask any questions, resolve any misunderstandings and seek professional advice. Having a purchase agreement that both parties understand can prevent squabbles from arising in the future.

Good luck!

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Wayne athlete wins Spartan Stores' healthy honor

The opening ceremonies of the 2011 Special Olympics Michigan State Summer Games proved to be something special for Nicholas Cross.

The Wayne resident stood before a crowd of 5,500 people at Kelly/Shorts Stadium at Central Michigan University in Mt. Pleasant and accepted the "2011 Spartan Stores Healthy Athlete of the Year" award.

"I love competing in Special Olympics and I'm very excited to be this year's Spartan Stores Healthy Athlete of the Year," said the Wayne resident.

Cross was chosen by Spartan Stores from among seven Special Olympics Michigan athletes nominated for the honor. He comes from a long line of diabetic men in his family, and he was determined not to be one of them. He took control of his eating habits by reducing his portion sizes, not snacking at night, and exercising regularly.

He also walks at least 1.5 miles a day and does sit-ups

and push-ups three times a week. One of his favorite walking partners is his grandmother.

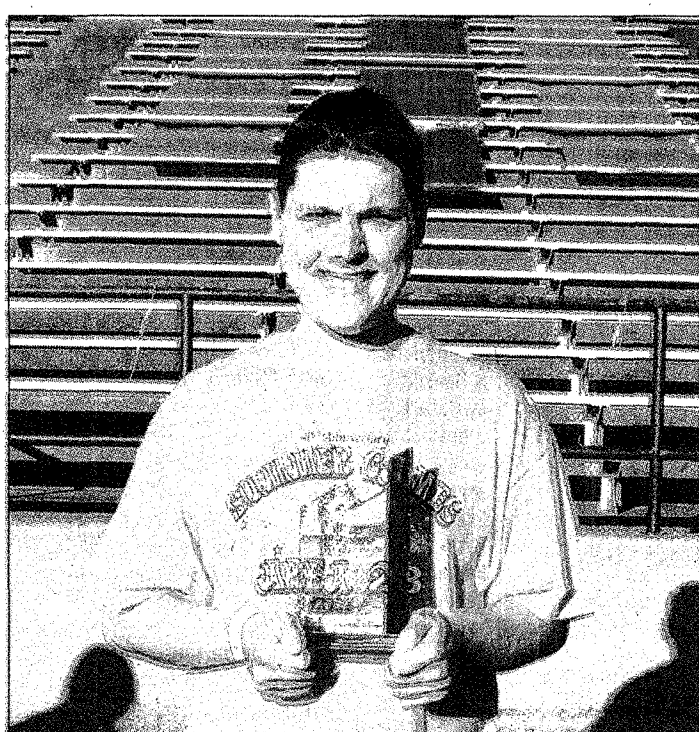
"I love walking because it makes me feel healthy and I love feeling healthy," Cross said.

"I'm very excited, I'm so happy," said his mother Debbie. "I am so proud of Nick. He works so hard, he lost all that weight on his own. He just decided one day he was not going to be diabetic. He lost 50 pounds by portion control and exercising. He went from a size 40 pants to size 32 in 18 months and he looks amazing."

She added that her son "has a lot more energy and is very healthy."

"He is excited to compete in swimming at the Summer Games because he may reach his personal best due to the weight loss," she added.

Cross has been involved with Special Olympics Michigan for eight years. At first he was quite shy and was reluctant to join. After joining Special Olympics Michigan



Nicholas Cross of Wayne shows off the "2011 Spartan Stores Healthy Athlete of the Year" award he received during the opening ceremonies of the 2011 Special Olympics Summer Games in Mt. Pleasant.

and meeting other athletes he began to enjoy himself and made a lot of friends.

"He was very excited, he had a huge smile on his face when they announced his name," said

Cross's Area Director Jackie Foust. "He made his way up to the stage and was congratulated by all of his friends and family members. No one knew so it was a very big surprise. Everyone was very happy for Nick. He has worked very hard and deserves it. He has made a big change in his life and eating habits on his own."

Cross competes in aquatics, basketball, softball, bowling and poly hockey. He attends Schoolcraft College and is majoring in electronics technology. He also works part-time at Little Caesars.

Spartan Stores is very interested in helping communities improve their health and wellness. Together with Special Olympics Michigan, Spartan Stores honors an athlete each year at State Summer Games, who is a leader among other athletes, and strives for wellness as well as a balance of the mind, body and spirit.

Each athlete selected as the Spartan Stores Healthy Athlete of the Year is trained to become a Global Messenger

to share the mission of Special Olympics Michigan and the positive impact on athletes. The award winner will also participate in numerous speaking engagements and store appearances throughout the year, arranged by both Special Olympics Michigan and Spartan Stores Inc.

Spartan began recognizing Special Olympics Michigan athletes in 2008 for their healthy lifestyle and dedication to the Special Olympics Oath: Let me win. But if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt. They have been supporting Special Olympics Michigan through monetary contributions since 1985. They also provide volunteers for the State Summer Games and provide all the food to feed the hundreds of volunteers during the two days of competition.

In the last 27 years Spartan has raised \$7 million for year-round athletic training and State Summer Games, and is a statewide Gold Medal Sponsor and Presenting Sponsor of the State Summer Games.

AROUND WESTLAND

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Butterfly lecture

Brenda Dziejdzic, president of the Southeast Michigan Butterfly Association will present a lecture on attracting butterflies to your garden at 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 28, at the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland, 6123 Central City Parkway, north of Ford, Westland.

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Progressive raffle

The Westland Goodfellows have added a new progressive raffle to its fund-raising efforts. In addition to its long-standing regular Bingo event, held every week at the Wayne Ford Civic Center, and poker tournaments, at Marvaso's-Electric Stick, the Goodfellows have launch an "Ace of Spades" Progressive Raffle, a 54-week event, hosted by Buffalo Wild Wings, 6677 N. Wayne Road, Westland.

Drawings are held at 9:30 p.m. every Monday. It is a 60/40 raffle with 60 percent

of the jackpot going to the winner. People interested in participating, can visit Buffalo Wild Wings to get tickets each week.

Fund-raising events

The AMVETS Post 171 Relay for Life is continuing its fund-raising efforts with several different activities. The team has:

- An online Avon fundraiser now through July 31. Go to jfinfrock.avonrepresentative.com and click on online events to place your order. Be sure to use the promotional code of AMVETRELAY2011. Team AMVETS will earn 30 percent of total sales now through July 31. Products will be home delivered.
- Quarter Mania 6 p.m.

Tuesday, June 7, at the AMVETS Post 171, 1217 S. Merriman, Westland.

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Some of the vendors include Scentsy, PartyLite, Miche Bags, Lia Sophia,

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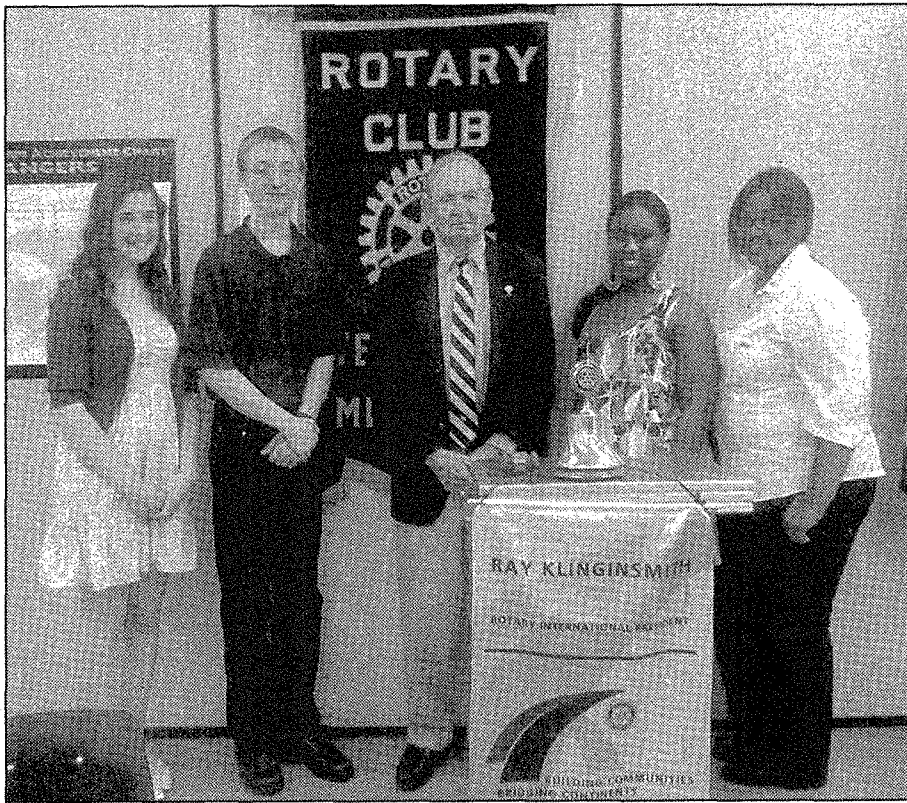
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Westland Rotary Club member Don Douglas is flanked by Rotary scholarship recipients Brooke Graham (left), Ryan Bartz, Ranequa Kelley-Boyd and Paris Jones.

4 students receive Rotary scholarships

BY LEANNE ROGERS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

There weren't many dry eyes by the time four local students and their families spoke about receiving scholarships from the Westland Rotary Club.

The club provided \$2,000 apiece to three students, while member Don Douglas provided a fourth \$2,000 scholarship in honor of his late wife.

"This has been Don's passion for years, so much so that he gives his own scholarship," said Mary Vellardita, the club's president-elect.

Westland John Glenn High School senior Brooke Graham received Douglas' scholarship. She plans to study elementary education at Indiana Wesleyan. One of the conditions for the Douglass scholarship is that the recipient study education. Douglass, a former assistant principal at Glenn, was also a teacher, as was his wife Arlene.

Along with being a member of the National Honor Society and carrying a 3.7 grade-point average, Graham is captain of the girls swim team, secretary of the John Glenn Singers and active in her church, working in the nursery and teaching at the

vacation Bible school.

"Brooke has always been a very kind and giving child. She comes from a long line of teachers," said her mother Beth Graham, whose husband Timothy is a chemistry teacher in Wyandotte.

Ranequa Kelley-Boyd, also a Glenn senior, plans to attend Schoolcraft College to earn an associate's degree before earning a bachelor's degree at Lawrence Technological University. With plans to study mass communications, Kelley-Boyd participated in cross country, dance team, drama team and the school newspaper at Glenn. Her volunteer activities included work at her church, an AIDS walk and helping at soup kitchens.

"She has far exceeded my expectations academically. She's just a really good person. I couldn't be more proud of her," said her mother Malaika Kelly, a social worker at Vista Maria.

A Glenn student attending the William D. Ford Career Technical Center, Paris Jones plans to attend the University of Michigan to pursue a career in medicine. Along with working at McDonald's and as a

dietary assistant at the Village of Westland, Jones is a member of the National Honor Society and the National Technical Honor Society. She also volunteered at Oakwood-Annapolis Hospital.

"She's done all I expected and asked of her. I told her she's the only one who can stop herself from succeeding — it's all out there for you," said her mother Terrie Saxton, who choked up talking about her daughter.

Wayne Memorial High School senior Ryan Bartz, who has a 3.9 grade-point average, plans to attend the University of Michigan-Dearborn and eventually have a career in computer software engineering/computer science. He has been a tutor, active in the Robotics Club, student government, volunteered at the Rouge Rescue and spent three weeks in the United Kingdom as a People-to-People Ambassador. His mother Sheri Bartz accompanied him to the scholarship presentation.

"The scholarships are so well-deserved. I wish we could have given all the applicants scholarships," Vellardita said.

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GARDEN CLIPPINGS

Garage sale

Garden City Boy Scout Troop 1241 is holding a garage sale 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, June 16, 17 and 18, at the Scout cabin at 1524 Middlebelt, between Ford and Cherry Hill.

Proceeds from the sale will help pay bills on the building and raise funds for camping.

Salute to Veterans
Party Animal Travel is having a "Salute to the Veterans" trip to the Firekeepers Casino on Wednesday, June 28.

Veterans will receive a free trip to the casino along with \$20 in slot play and \$5 in food credits. A spouse or a guest can go for \$25 and receive the same package.

Space is limited, proof of veteran status must be provided. Call (734) 525-9777 for more information or to reserve a spot.

Party Animal also is holding a Senior Travel Show 3-5 p.m. Sunday, June 19, at the Joy Manor on Joy east of Middlebelt, and 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, June 22, at the Maplewood Community Center on Maplewood west of Merriman.

Golf outing

The Lyman Foundation is sponsoring the 32nd Annual Lyman Golf Outing benefiting Burger School for Students with Autism in Garden City.

The outing will be held on Aug. 13 at Hickory Creek Golf Course. The Lyman Foundation is looking for hole sponsors and golfers for the event! Hole sponsors will be acknowledged in the golfing program and with the local media.

For more information regarding hole sponsors or registering to golf in the event, contact Sharon Lundie at (734) 728-4919.

Diabetes Summer School

Garden City Hospital will offer its ninth annual Diabetes Summer School at 6 p.m. Tuesday, June 21, July 26 and Aug. 23.

During June, July and August, in place of a monthly Diabetes Support Group,

Garden City Hospital presents Diabetes Summer School. Each two-hour class will include a speaker presentation and discussion. The session begins with registration, displays, book sales and light refreshments containing approximately 30 grams of carbohydrate. There is no fee; family and friends are welcome.

Reservations are necessary. Call (734) 458-4330 or send and e-mail to sgoodsell@gchosp.org.

Past Forward

Learn about Karma along with Past Lives at a program, entitled Past Forward, 7-9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 6, at the Straight Farmhouse, 6221 Merriman, Garden City.

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Tickets are \$35 each and are available online at www.tangledwishes.com/events. Light Refreshments will be served.

Free testing

As a service to the community, the staff of Garden City Hospital's Community Services offers blood pressure testing, free of charge, on a bi-weekly basis to senior citizens at the Maplewood Community Center, located on Maplewood just west of Merriman. Testing will be available at 10:30 a.m. For more information, call (734) 458-4330.

Garden City Rotary

The Garden City Rotary Club is on the hunt for new members.

The local club was chartered in 1940 as part of the worldwide Rotary International organization and is guided by the Rotary motto "Service Above Self." Charitable involvement covers the spectrum from local activities, such as college scholarships, literacy training, coats for needy elementary children, to projects including school construction and

orphanage support in Latin America, as well as pure water, polio vaccination, and other international humanitarian efforts.

Rotary offers a wonderful opportunity for people to provide service for others on many different levels and to the extent they feel comfortable doing so. At the same time, it offers the availability for weekly contact and socialization with other, like-minded, nice people.

The club meets at noon on Thursdays at Amantea's Restaurant on Warren Road just east of Venoy in Garden City. Individuals interested in more information about the club can call Steve Kelly at (734) 748-1345.

Community Chat

Catch up on what's happening in Garden City with GC Community Chat with Kerry Partin at 9 p.m. every Thursday night at talkshoe.com/tc/82757. Also check out his website at communitychat.weebly.com. The talk show and website are dedicated to the residents and businesses of Garden City.


For more information, contact Kerry at gcommunitychat@gmail.com.

Garden City Kiwanis

The Garden City Kiwanis Club of is recruiting new members to help provide assistance to the disadvantaged residents of our community — especially children — who are having a difficult time during this economic recession. Founded in 1948, the Kiwanis Club of Garden City provides many community service projects each year including a "Baby Shower" for the Garden City Family Resource Center, a continuing Food Pantry drive, the Trauma Doll Project for hospitalized children, and the Third Grade Dictionary Project.


The club meets at noon on Thursdays at Amantea's Restaurant on Warren Road at Venoy in Garden City.

Anyone who is interested in attending one of the luncheons or with questions about the club's community involvement can call Gary Simon at (734) 751-4101.



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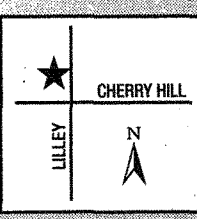
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In addition to practicing only Social Security disability law attorney Bieske has written a book

for attorneys about the subject and has been interviewed on various television programs. Both attorney Bieske and Alfonsi have also been interviewed on radio programs and have given speeches to many groups.

Attorneys Bieske and Alfonsi offer free phone or office consultation. If they represent you, there will be **no fee charged until after the case is won**. The fee is a percentage of retroactive benefits.

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Dr. Kevorkian was passionate about helping the suffering



Attorney Geoffrey Fieger with his client Dr. Jack Kevorkian, who died Friday.

BY GEOFFREY NELS FIEGER
GUEST COLUMNIST

I first met Dr. Jack Kevorkian on a sweltering Saturday afternoon in August 1990. He was about to be charged with the murder of his first patient, Janet Adkins. There, staring at me from across my desk, was a frail-looking man dressed in a powder blue Cardigan sweater.

His sister, Margo, dressed in a wig and a house coat, was with him. I believed at first that Margo was the more commanding of the two, and initially Margo carried the conversation. The only unusual characteristic about Jack seemed to be his intensity. It didn't take long to realize that this small Armenian physician was a giant man of courage and conviction. He was one of the most courageous men I have met in my lifetime. He was a rare human being — an individual who didn't seek history, but made history.

Dr. Jack Kevorkian as a human being was brilliant intellectually, opinionated and had a

boundless energy for confronting social hypocrisy. I liked that. He was a perfect client for me. In another sense he was the most difficult challenge I ever faced. No one else — not governors, judges, prosecutors, not the media, rabbis or cardinals — no one else presented a greater challenge to me than Dr. Jack himself.

It was not that he was self-destructive, but he was impatient with the pace of social change and he was absolutely convinced of the correctness of his actions. In a matter of moments, he went from a disinterested participant in his own legal defense to a passionate advocate for suffering people. Before anyone even coined the phrase "assisted suicide," he sat across from me and talked about what he did as though it was a right every patient had, and a duty every physician shared.

Jack Kevorkian did what he believed to be right, and he had the moral conviction and the courage to stand up to constant threats of violence and impris-

onment. That is a rare human being. Together, we planned a defense of human rights, and he was more than willing to sacrifice himself for that cause.

I wondered if the man sitting across from me knew what he was facing. He didn't, but that wouldn't matter. The one thing he did know was that he had a responsibility to relieve the suffering of his patients, and that was what he was going to do. Men like that change society — they make history.

As the result of this little, Armenian doctor, patients are no longer left to suffer until they die. As a result of what Jack did, we now recognize the right of every person to self-determination based on their own conscience and without government interference. As the result of that fateful meeting, my life has been changed. For a moment in time, I was involved in changing the course of history.

Bloomfield Hills attorney **Geoffrey Fieger** represented Jack Kevorkian in his most celebrated trials.

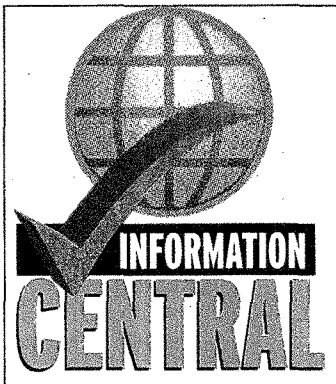
Check out Cooperstown's National Baseball Hall of Fame

The National Baseball Hall of Fame was first dedicated on June 12, 1939, in Cooperstown, N.Y.

Honoring great baseball heroes like Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig and Sparky Anderson, the National Baseball Hall of Fame is a three-story high museum of baseball memorabilia that is open year-round. It currently houses 38,000 items, three million documents, and 500,000 photographs, according to its website (www.baseballhall.org).

Named in 1936, Ty Cobb, Babe Ruth, Honus Wagner, Christy Mathewson and Walter Johnson were the first five players inducted into the Hall of Fame. Currently, there are 295 men in the Hall of Fame, pitchers being the most common.

Induction into the Baseball Hall of Fame is a great honor, but how does a player become a Hall of Famer? The Baseball Writers' Association



of America elects players who have had exceptional baseball careers. In order to be eligible, a player must have been in the Major Leagues for at least 10 years and must be retired for at least 5 years. This year, Roberto Alomar, Bert Blyleven and Pat Gillick will become Hall of Famers. Interested in learning more

about the Baseball Hall of Fame? The Public Library of Westland owns many books on the topic. Try "Cooperstown: Baseball Hall of Fame" by Lowell Reidenbaugh or "Treasures of the Baseball Hall of Fame" by John Thorn.

For more information, visit the Public Library of Westland or call the Reference Desk at (734) 326-6123. You can also search our online catalog at www.westlandlibrary.org

Highlighted Activities

Summer Afternoon Movie Classic: "Star Wars: A New Hope," 3:30 p.m. June 7

Join us for the summer version of Afternoon classics. This month's theme is Summer Favorites, this week is "Star Wars: A New Hope" starring Mark Hamill and Harrison Ford. This movie is rated PG.

Right Foreclosure - One-on-One

Counseling: 4-7 p.m. June 7, Adults, new day - new time Homeowners can schedule a private, 30-minute, one-on-one meeting with a foreclosure counselor from the Wayne County Fight Mortgage Foreclosure Program. Call (734) 326-6123 or stop by the library to schedule your appointment. Space is limited. The Mortgage Foreclosure Prevention Program is a no fee, Wayne County program providing you an expansive network of certified counselors who will help you avoid or manage a mortgage foreclosure.

Amateur Chamber Music Workshop: 1-3 p.m. June 11

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inexperienced. Please sign up at the Reference Desk or just show up.

Job Seekers Lab: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays, 5-8 p.m. Wednesdays and 1-4 p.m. Fridays.

Have a question regarding formatting your resume, setting up an e-mail account, attaching your resume to an online application, searching for a job, or any other job-related activity? Stop by the library, where computers are set up specifically for job seekers. A librarian will be available to help. Drop in. No reservation needed.

Drop-in Knitting Nights @ the Library: 7 p.m. every Wednesday. Everyone welcome, including crocheters.

Chess Group: 7-8:45 p.m. Thursdays and 1-4 p.m. Saturdays. Like to play chess? Want to get better? Come to the library and play a couple of games. Bring your own

board or use one of ours. Novices to Chess Masters are all welcome. No signup required.

Computer classes are offered all year long. Contact the library at (734) 326-6123 to find out more.

Summer Hours begin June 1: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday and closed Sunday.

The Summer Reading Program starts June 18 and offers fun for everyone.

Information Central was compiled by Young Adult Librarian Liz Waun. The William P. Faust Public Library is at 6123 Central City Parkway, Westland. For more information, call (734) 326-6123 or go online to westlandlibrary.org.



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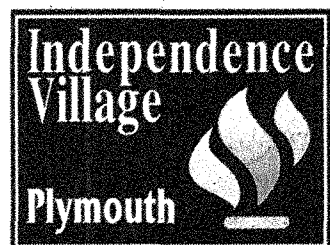
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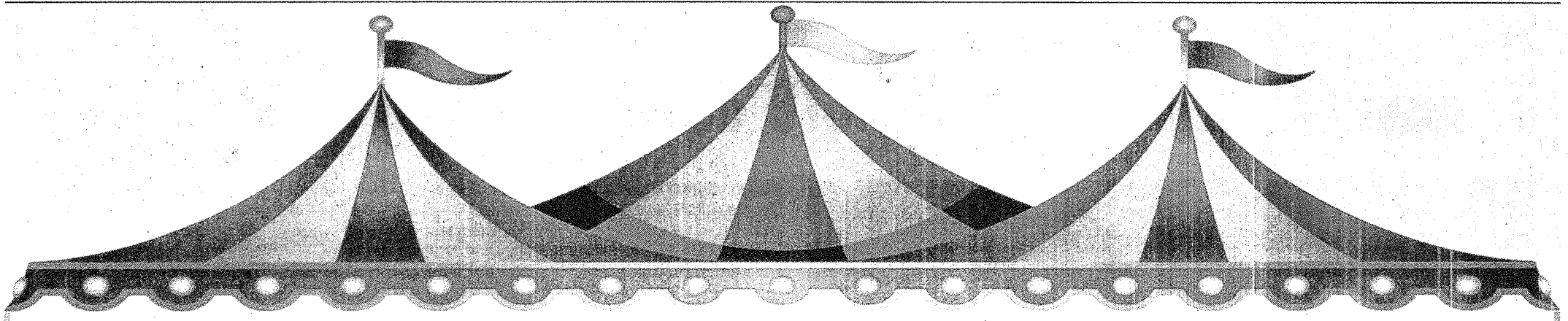


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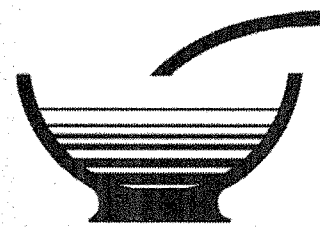
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Blazers outlast Mercy in Catholic League finals

BY DAN O'MEARA
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

As she started running toward first base, Briana Combs knew it was all good. She had done her job; she did it just right.

Combs' RBI single on a suicide squeeze gave Livonia Ladywood a 2-1 win over Farmington Hills Mercy and the Catholic League A-B Division softball championship Wednesday.

Using the international tiebreaker rule, designated runner Nicole Payne scored the winning with one out in the bottom of the 12th inning at the University of Detroit Mercy.

PREP SOFTBALL

While it was well executed, it was not a classic squeeze play with a short bunt that dies in the dirt, a sliding runner and a close play at the plate.

Combs, who also was the winning pitcher, intended to bunt but hit the ball hard, to the left of the pitching circle. It quickly shot past the reach of Mercy pitcher Kayce Nieto, and the Marlins were unable to make a play. Payne was easily safe at home.

"I was just hoping to put it down; I was lucky," Combs said. "When I saw it go past Kayce, I knew it was a hit, so I

was excited."

"She got a little anxious, and the speed coming on the ball pushes it out that far," Ladywood coach Scott Combs said of his daughter's decisive at-bat.

"We were teaching our girls on third base: 'Just steal home plate. If she gets it down at all, you'll be safe.' In softball, one inning, one pitch, one base means everything. That's why we work so hard at it."

The game was suspended May 24 because of darkness with the teams tied after nine innings, 1-1. Plans to finish the game May 25 and 26 were rained out, and it was another eight

days before it was concluded.

The teams played the final three innings under sunny skies and warm, breezy conditions. Ladywood was 30-3 going into district play Saturday, and the Mercy record was 19-7.

Following the 10th inning, the Catholic League used a new MHSAA tournament rule that calls for the international tiebreaker starting with the 11th inning.

Mercy's Elizabeth Carlson hit a one-out double in the 10th. Combs struck out the next batter, and Carlson was out trying to steal third base.

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SIDELINES

Blazers reach final

Seniors Alexa Burns and Niki Jacob combined for 13 goals and seven assists Wednesday as Livonia Ladywood routed host Ann Arbor Skyline, 18-6, in the MHSAA Division 2 regional girls lacrosse semifinals.

The Blazers, now 9-6 overall, will play Beverly Hills Detroit Country Day for the regional championship beginning at 11 a.m. Saturday at Skyline.

Burns wound up with six goals and five assists, while Jacobs contributed seven goals and two assists. Junior Kyle Birney chipped in with three goals and one assist.

Jackie Morroa and Katie Holmes each had two goals for Skyline.

Ladywood sophomore goalie Stephanie Mackley faced nine shots and made three saves, while senior Lauren Perugi had one save in 10 minutes of second-half action.

Skyline goalie Nine Shahin had 10 saves.

Piechota an All-Star

Livonia Stevenson pitcher-shortstop Evan Piechota has been selected to play in the Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association East-West All-Star game beginning at 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 21, at Comerica Park in Detroit.

Piechota, headed to Madonna University in the fall, is the second straight Spartans player selected to the All-Star game, joining Jeff Sorenson (Wayne State).

MU signs Owens

Madonna University head men's basketball coach Noel Emenhiser announced the opening to his 2011 recruiting class Wednesday with the signing of 6-foot-6 Inkster center Donald Owens to an NAIA letter of intent.

"Donald is a great young man with a work ethic and team-first mentality that our program needs to be successful," Emenhiser said following the signing. "With his size and defensive ability, Donald will have high expectations from the start."

Owens, who averaged 10 points and served as team captain, helped the Vikings to an 18-3 record as a senior. He is also an honor roll student.

Rams win opener

Brett Brindley (Oakland University) came through with the game-winning RBI single in the top of the eighth inning as the 20-and-under Michigan Rams opened the Livonia Collegiate Baseball League season with an 8-6 win Wednesday over the Dodgers at Bicentennial Park.

Mike Carson (OU) singled and stole two bases to start the game-winning rally. Jon McCann (Michigan) also scored on Brindley's single and subsequent throwing error.

Carson went 3-for-4 with a double and scored three times, while Caleb Wick (OU) was 3-for-5 with an RBI to pace the Rams' 11-hit attack.

Brindley and Miles Sorise (Eastern Michigan) each contributed two hits and an RBI in the Rams' win.

Mark Weist (Spring Arbor) also chipped in with two RBI, while John DiLaura (Michigan) knocked in a run.

Thomas Barrett went 3-for-4 for the Dodgers.

Colin Gerish (Hillsdale College) pitched 1 2/3 innings of scoreless relief to pick up the victory. The Rams also used Mike Schypinski (Albion College) and Jake Engles (Michigan) on the mound.

Matt Capone, in relief of starter Travis Brown, took the loss.

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Making amends

Rockets (10-23) stop rival Zebras for district title

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

It's been a struggle all season for the Westland John Glenn baseball team.

But the Rockets exorcised some demons by repeating as Division 1 district champions with a 9-6 victory Friday over rival Wayne Memorial.

Glenn, now 10-23 overall, moves into the regional semifinals at 10 a.m. Saturday at Saline to face the Brownstown Woodhaven district champion.

"These guys have been here a while," second-year coach Dan Danic said. "They played a lot of games this year. They were in this position last year. So it was all about those seniors becoming leaders and going out there and making sure they buried the hatchet."

Wayne had beaten Glenn in a doubleheader this season, 8-7 and 17-2.

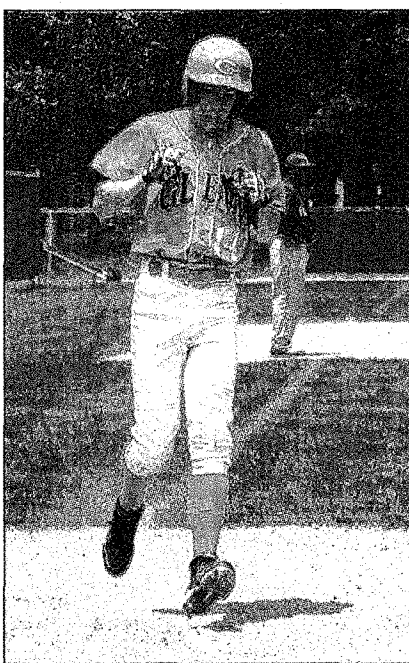
And the visiting Zebras appeared poised to do it again against their rival after Shane Wilson clubbed a two-run single in the bottom of the fourth to knot the count at 2-2.

Glenn, however, exploded for seven runs in the top of the sixth inning to take a 9-2 advantage.

The Rockets sent 14 batters to the plate and were the recipients of two costly Wayne infield errors coupled with four walks.

Caleb Clenney had the only two hits for Glenn during the surge — but they were big ones as the senior center fielder delivered an RBI double and added a two-run single.

"The key was these guys practicing hard all week," Danic said. "Every of them came out here and we focused



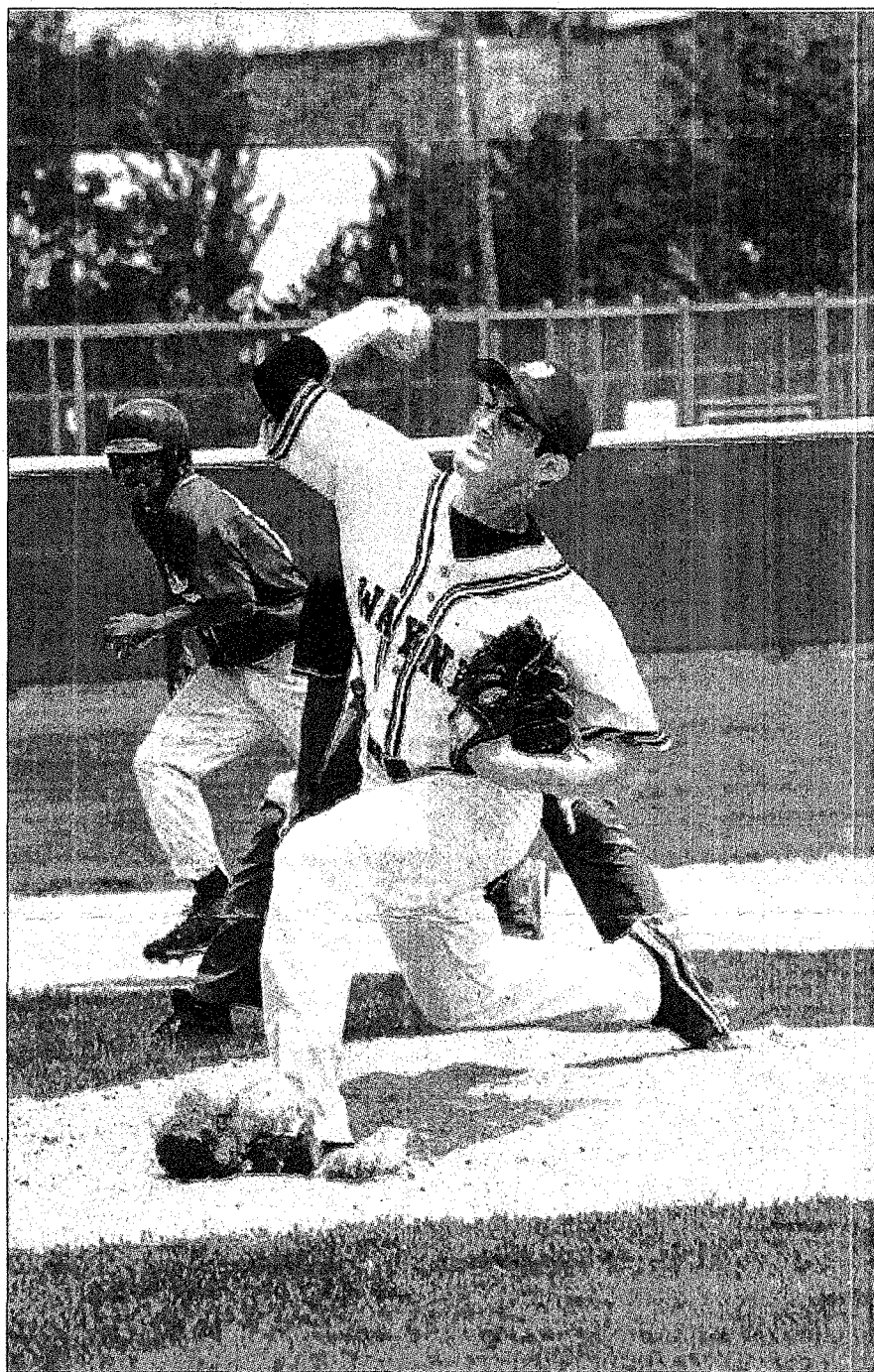
John Glenn's Shane Anderson crossed the plate for one of the Rockets' 28 runs in a district semifinal triumph over Inkster.

on their hitting. We wanted to make sure the bats came around. We cleaned up a lot of their swings. The players stepped up and made it happen at the plate. And when you put the ball in play, good things happen. That's what we've learned over here."

Wayne got four runs back in the bottom of the sixth on Tyler McCurry RBI walk with the bases loaded followed by a two-run single by Shane Kommer and an RBI double by Kyle Casey.

But Glenn second baseman Zach

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Wayne right-hander Chris Briggs pitched a complete game in the district semifinal victory over Romulus.

PHOTOS BY THOMAS BEAUDOIN

Vento takes hockey post at Plymouth

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Livonia Stevenson's loss will be Plymouth High's gain when it comes to hockey coaches.

After just one season at the helm, Gerry Vento is leaving Stevenson after compiling a 16-7-3 record during the 2010-11

campaign to take a similar position with the Wildcats.

Vento, who previously served as a three-year assistant coach at Stevenson under David Mitchell, posted a 1-0-1 record against Division 1 state champion Novi and a 1-1 record against state runner-up Orchard Lake St. Mary's, along with a win over top-ranked and 2010 state champion Novi-Detroit Catholic Central.

Vento is replacing Paul Fassbender, who stepped down after last season citing conflicts with his work schedule and travel to and from his job at the Ann Arbor Ice Cube.

Vento is a Madonna University graduate and works for a family-owned concrete business.

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2's a charm: Glenn regional-bound

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Guess who's going back in the Division 1 softball regionals?

It's Westland John Glenn as the Rockets took care of business Friday with convincing victories over Romulus, 15-5, and Inkster, 22-0, to earn their second straight district title.

Glenn, 11-21 overall, will face the Brownstown Woodhaven district champion beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday in the regional semifinal at Saline.

"Last year the girls were just excited to be there and the girls were nervous," said Glenn coach Elisabeth Tyzo-DePaulis. "Last year was the first year we won districts in 16 years. This time we have a little bit higher expectations and the girls are altering their goals this year. This year we want to get past the first (regional) game, even win regionals."

Glenn took just three innings to mercy Inkster in the second district semifinal, as winning pitcher Lexie Lester, a freshman, struck out eight of the nine batters she faced.

Kailey Vowles belted a triple and Brandi Holbrook added a double in the lopsided victory as the Rockets were the recipients of 16 walks and five hit batters.

Meanwhile, Romulus ousted Dearborn Heights Crestwood in the other district semifinal, 12-1, in a five-inning mercy.

Chelsea Shellman paced the Eagles offensively, going 3-for-4 with a triple



The Westland John Glenn softball team and coach Elisabeth Tyzo-DePaulis (far right) celebrate after beating Romulus, 15-5, for their second straight Division 1 district championship.

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and double.

Alexis Swanson got the pitching win, while Crestwood's Rachel Riley took the loss. (Crestwood had advanced last Tuesday with an 11-8 pre-district win over Wayne Memorial.)

In the championship final, Glenn raced out to a 7-0 lead through three innings before Romulus got on the board with four runs in the fourth.

But the Rockets added a run in the fourth, three more in the fifth and four in the sixth to put it away.

"I looked for the girls to stay positive and stay focused, and stay in the game

the whole time — that's important," Romulus coach Jennifer Slyman said. "One or two runs led to a few more. A couple of errors in the field hurt a little bit. You do the best we can and put the best team on the field."

Vowles went 5-for-5 in the victory, while Brittany McGrath added two sacrifice bunts.

Lester pitched all six innings, allowing seven hits. She struck out five, did not allow a walk and hit one batter. Miranda Sapp was 3-for-4 with two

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BLAZERS

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The Marlins had runners at second and third with one out in the 11th, but Combs got out of the inning with a groundout and a strikeout.

Mercy had the same, one-out situation in the 12th. Combs, who had five strikeouts Wednesday and 20 for the game, fanned the next two batters to end the threat.

"It was a disappointment, waiting 10 days (including the original date of May 23 that was rained out) to play, in effect, three innings," Mercy coach Jack Falvo said. "Ladywood is a great team. They have a lot of high-level travel players over there, and they're well coached."

"We knew the longer the game went, we would be under duress. We have a very young team, and we are going to be good. This was a great learning experience for us."

Ladywood's designated runner in the 11th, Andria Gietl, reached third on Allyssa Kashat's sacrifice bunt, but

Nieto did like Combs and struck out two in a row.

In the 12th inning, Jennifer Rohn sacrificed Payne to third, and Combs followed with the game-winning hit.

"We worked all week on getting the bunt down," Scott Combs said. "We knew, once we went international, if we could get two bunts down, we could win."

"We worked hard for three days on taking the suicide squeeze away and executing it on offense. That's the name of the game when you go international."

"I don't like the rule. It punishes a great pitcher like Kayce. Sometimes, we can't get a runner on second base, but you put one out there. That's the way the rule is, and you have to get used to it. That's what's going to happen in the state tournament."

Nieto had three more strikeouts Wednesday and 22 overall.

The league championship is Ladywood's first since 2006. The Blazers were the runners-up to Allen Park Cabrini in 2009.

"I told these girls when I came in three years ago: 'We intend to play for championships,'" Combs said. "We've won lots of championships — districts, regionals and the Stars Tournament three years in a row — but the league is always our No. 1 priority."

"We lost two years in a row by one run, and this year we were really centering on this tournament. It took 10 days to win it; to be standing out here in the sunshine, we're real happy."

Mercy has no seniors and only three juniors on its team. Ladywood has just two seniors and one in its starting lineup.

"They came here ready to play," Falvo said of the Blazers. "And we were ready to play, but they're a more experienced team than we are."

"Hats off to their team," Combs said. "When we played them early in year, they were young and didn't really know where they were going."

"I told every one of them in the line (after the game) that I hope to see them in Battle Creek. If we can get there, I know they can."

Spartans split in KLAA crossover

PREP SOFTBALL

Patriots sweep Howell

In a KLAA crossover Wednesday, host Livonia Franklin swept both games of a make-up double-header against Howell, 9-4 and 10-7. Sophomore Katelynn Devers collected three hits, including a double and three RBI to pace the Franklin offensive attack in Game One.

Other Franklin hitting stars included Nicole Williamson (three hits, two runs, RBI); Mariah Barcus (three hits, double, RBI); and winning pitcher Tiffany Lambie (two hits, RBI).

Lambie gave up four earned runs on eight hits. She struck out three and did not allow a walk in seven innings.

Hannah Bailey took the loss for Howell, allowing nine runs on 16 hits in six innings.

In Game Two, Lambie (13-8) got the win in the relief of Williamson, who exited in the third inning.

Top offensive producers for the Patriots included Barcus (three hits, two RBI, three runs); Chelsea Williams (two hits, RBI, two runs); and Devers (two hits, three runs RBI).

Franklin scored four times in the sixth with two outs keyed by a Barcus 2-run single.

Franklin improved to 20-13 overall, while Howell slipped to 16-11.

Spartans take 3-of-4

It was a busy Saturday for the Livonia Stevenson, which captured three-of-four games in Montrose Hill McCloy Invitational and earned their 20th victory in the process. Senior pitcher Jackie

Johnson allowed just one earned run on six hits in a 6-1 Stevenson win over host Rams in the tournament finale.

Johnson struck out six and did not allow a walk as Stevenson improved to 20-12 overall.

Julianne Potvin paced Stevenson's 11-hit attack going 4-for-4 with two stolen bases. Morgan Copperstone added two hits, including a triple.

In the opener, Johnson struck out 12 and allowed just three hits and one walk in a 6-0 triumph over Burton Bentley.

Allie Koesterling went 2-for-3 with two RBI, while Johnson and Potvin each added two hits in the victory.

Stevenson blanked Burton Bendle, 11-0, in a five-inning mercy as Copperstone threw a no-hitter and struck out 12 in Game Two.

The sophomore also went 3-for-3 with a homer, double and five RBI. She also scored three runs.

Ashley Avery and Koesterling also contributed two hits apiece.

"Morgan threw very well today," Stevenson coach Rob Witherspoon said. "She gets better and better each time she gets in the circle. She was hitting her spots with precision and did a great job keeping their hitters off-balance with her change-up."

In Game Three, Breckenridge scored two runs in the top of the eighth inning to break a 1-1 deadlock to beat the Spartans, 3-1.

Winning pitcher Breu Olling struck out 13 and allowed just one hit, a double by Johnson.

Copperstone, the losing pitcher, allowed one earned run on six hits and two walks.

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RBI, while Jennifer Sylvester went 2-for-4 with two RBI for the Eagles, who finished their season at 13-13 overall.

Glenn had five errors in the game, while Romulus committed three.

"The first game went really long," Tyzo-DePaulis said. "You're kind of getting tired on the bases. The girls played with a lot of energy and it kind of died down once they (Inkster) started walking so many people. But they brought it back for the second game and I was really proud. Both offensively and defensively they played well."



THOMAS BEAUDOIN

John Glenn's Nicole Quaine takes another high pitch in a 22-0 district semifinal victory over Inkster.

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ROCKETS

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Quinn snared a line drive off the bat of Jacob Massey to end the threat and Schurig got a 6-4-3 double-play ball to end the game in the seventh.

Schurig scattered nine hits, walked four, hit one batter and struck out nine in going the distance.

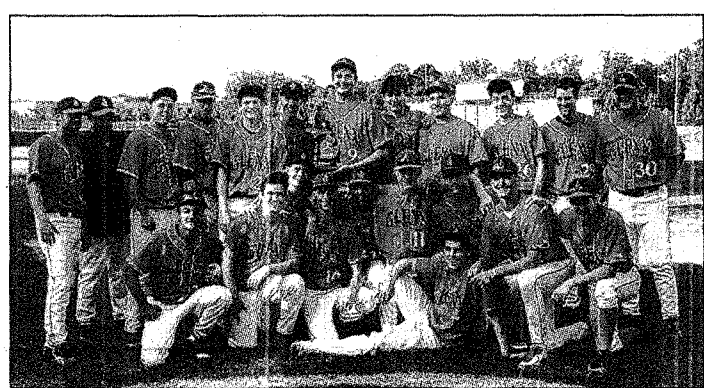
"Rob Schurig on the hill — can't say enough about him," Danic said. "He's just a kid who knows how to battle and just goes out there every day to win. Real proud of him. He's got an arm like a spaghetti noodle and he'll go out ahead and throw as long as I want him to. Even if I wanted to, he wouldn't let me come out and pull him."

Wayne played clean baseball through the first three innings and starter Jacob Lefler held the Rockets in check on just two hits and two runs over the first five innings.

Clenney scored Glenn's first run in the fourth on a Wayne infield throwing error. Quinn then doubled home Schurig with the second run.

Wayne committed five errors during the final four innings.

"It's part of baseball. Sometimes we've had games like that all year," Wayne first-year coach Chris Bailey said.



ROD SAUNDERS

The Westland John Glenn baseball team celebrates their second straight Division 1 district title following Friday's 9-6 victory over rival Wayne Memorial.

"Pretty much we've been a little inconsistent. Mental errors have cost us a lot this year. It happened at the wrong time."

Wayne finished 13-19 in Bailey's first year as coach.

"I felt good about the year as far as where we're at," he said. "We've got a good future coming up. We've got a lot of youngsters that are good ballplayers. It's too bad for the seniors because they wanted it really bad. And we fought hard. We erase that sixth inning and we're right there."

JOHN GLENN 28, INKSTER 1: In the district semifinal Friday, Westland John Glenn (9-23) scored 20 runs in the third inning to mercy the Vikings as Shane Anderson, Caleb Clenney and Colton Lipinski each knocked in two runs.

Derrick Ammons had a pair of doubles, while Devon

Spaulding collected two hits as well.

Kevin Karsnick, the winning pitcher, did not allow a hit. He struck out seven and walked four.

WAYNE 19, ROMULUS 4: An eight-run outburst in the sixth inning carried Wayne Memorial (13-18) to the district semifinal victory Friday over the Eagles.

Brandon Harnos went 3-for-4 with four RBI, while Shane Wilson contributed three hits and an RBI for the victorious Zebras.

Other Wayne hitting standouts included winning pitcher Chris Briggs (two hits, three RBI); Jacob Lefler (two hits, RBI); Kyle Casey (two hits, RBI); and Jacob Massey (two hits).

Briggs went all seven innings, striking out 11 and allowing just three hits.

Hawks soar to MIAC Red crown

VENTO

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It took nine innings, but Westland Huron Valley Lutheran repeated as Red Division baseball champions of the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference with a 6-5 triumph Tuesday over visiting Plymouth Christian Academy.

Ryan Schaffer, who went 2-for-5, delivered the game-winning double in the bottom of the ninth as the Hawks improved to 12-1 overall and 11-1 in the MIAC Red.

HVL starter Andy Barber worked the first eight innings allowing four runs on nine hits. He struck out 12 and walked three.

Shawn Schaffer, who gave up a run in the top of the eighth, got the victory.

Matt Dodson and Matt Read each had two hits for the Eagles, who dropped to 8-2 in the MIAC Red.

Losing pitcher John Slater went the distance, allowing six runs on eight hits and five walks. He struck out 10.

He coached previously in the Computware Midget Major AAA and Bantam programs.

Plymouth finished 7-9-8 last year and placed third in the KLAA's South Division.

"I'm very excited and actually it's a great opportunity," said the 42-year-old Vento, a 1986 CC grad who played two seasons for the Shamrocks. "Obviously there will be a getting-to-know process — me getting to know the players and the players getting familiar with me."

Stevenson Athletic Director Lori Hyman said Vento "resigned for personal reasons," but did not elaborate any further.

"He did a very good job and the Stevenson hockey program will miss him," Hyman said. "He really enjoyed his experience at Stevenson."

Vento said he was given the option to return as an assistant coach with the Spartans for 2011-12, but said, "I couldn't accept that scenario."

"I enjoyed all four years there and loved it," Vento said. "I'll miss connecting with the kids and we did some great things against the state finalists."

Hyman said the Stevenson varsity hockey position is "in the process of being posted," but the job description had not appeared (as of Friday) on the school's website.

All signs reportedly point to Mitchell re-emerging as the top candidate to become the Spartans' head coach again after a one-year hiatus. He was forced to give up the varsity hockey position after accepting a Livonia Public Schools administrative job for the 2010-11 school year and served last season as a volunteer assistant under Vento.

Mitchell who recently resigned his assistant principal position at Livonia's Holmes Middle School to return to the classroom, finished 56-14-8 during his three seasons as the Spartans' varsity coach, capturing one Kensington Lakes Activities Association title (2010) and reaching two regional finals (2008 and 2010).

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Making the cut

Churchill boys golfers third at district tournament

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After an unusually wet spring, conditions were virtually back to normal on Thursday for the MHSAA Division 1-District 9 boys golf tournament held at Livonia's Whispering Willows G.C.

Six teams advanced to next Thursday's regional at the University of Michigan Golf Course led by Ann Arbor Huron, which shot a four-player total of 305. Huron edged Plymouth and host Livonia Churchill by two strokes at 307 each for the team title.

The River Rats were led by individual medalist Alex Wunderlich, a senior who fired an 18-hole total of 72.

Three other teams also advanced including Saline (314), Salem (321) and Ann Arbor Skyline (326), which won a fifth-man tiebreaker against Ann Arbor Pioneer.

Temperatures were ideal for the finish, reaching the upper 60s to go along with low humidity and a slight wind.

"The course was playing real nice today," said Churchill coach and Whispering

Willows golf pro Paul Worley. "The last three or four days it's dried up quite a bit. Our greenskeeper, Mark Pappas, did a great job getting it back into shape. They were actually getting some roll out there today and there weren't many wet spots."

Churchill, runner-up to Plymouth in the KLA's South Division dual meet season, got a 74 from junior Ben Proben along with a 75 from senior Chris Theile. Cory Dare and Dominic DiLisi each added 79s.

"Playing at our home golf course I was kind of expecting that we'd be one of the qualifying teams," Worley said. "As things turned out, we shot pretty well today and we're going to U-M for the regionals."

"Ben shot 74, it's kind of what he's more used to shooting. Coming off an 80 at (Kensington) conferences he wasn't really happy.

"Chris played unbelievable. He had the round of his career and came through big-time today. Usually he's 80-or-81. He shot 80 at the conference (held at Pheasant Run), which is a good number considering the (hot) temperatures

(Tuesday) and everything."

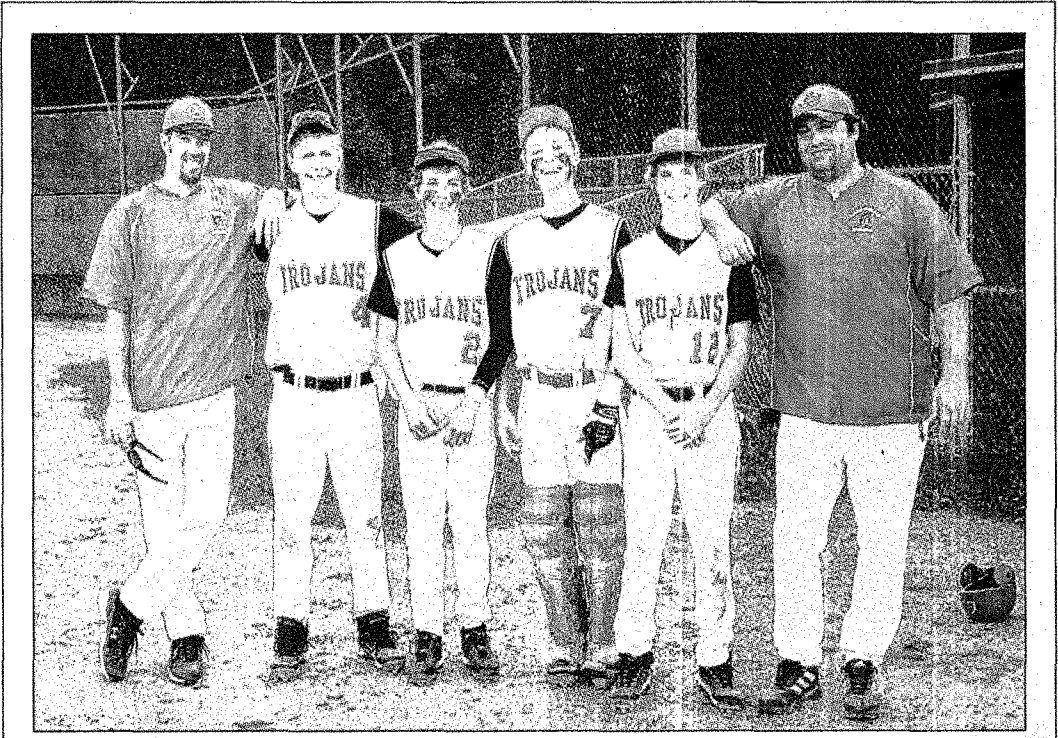
Plymouth was led by individual runner-up Justin Bauer, a senior who carded a 73. Kyle Rodes added a 76, while Ryan Rieckhoff and Josh Heinze each added 79s.

Salem's top scorer was sophomore Brian Patterson, who shot 77. He was followed by teammates Josh Perrin (81), Nick Danis (81) and Eric Duprey (82).

Among the six regional teams that didn't qualify, Pioneer put three individually into next week's U-M regional led by Davis Randsell (76), Eric Miller (79) and Nick Margolis (82).

They will be joined by Ypsilanti's Jacob Sewell (78) and Brian Pierson (82), along with Canton sophomore Marty Peck (82).

"The key there is all about the greens," Worley said of the Michigan course. "There's a lot of undulations and it's a hilly golf course, but it's all about getting it on the putting surface and not three-or-four putting because they're really tough greens to putt."



LAURIE BLACKER

Fond farewell

Livonia Clarenceville's baseball team went out a winner in its regular season finale Tuesday with a 5-4 walk-off victory over visiting Westland John Glenn. Flanked by coaches Dan Miller (far left) and Vince Marsico (far right), it marked the final home game seniors (from left) Joe Schiffman, Jimmy Moody, Matt Kurdziel and Dan Blacker. The Trojans (10-8) began Division 2 district play Saturday at Madonna University's Ilitch Ballpark against South Lyon East.

Links: Stevenson regional-bound

Livonia Stevenson earned a spot in next week's Division 1 regional at Lyon Oaks by placing fourth Thursday in the District 8 boys golf tournament Huron Meadows G.C. in Brighton.

Birmingham Brother Rice shot a blistering 285 to win the district followed by regional qualifiers North Farmington, 300; Birmingham Seaholm, 302; Stevenson and Farmington, 320 each; and Birmingham Groves, 324.

Seaholm's Francesco Ruffino earned medalist honors with a 68.

Adam Giordano led

Stevenson with a 77 followed by Nick Marsh, 80; Dante Cicchelli, 81; Cam Tetrault, 82; and Nick Barr, 84.

Patriots qualify pair

Livonia Franklin will be sending two players, seniors Drake Hermann and John Holmes, to next week's Division 1 regional at the University of Michigan Golf Course.

Hermann shot a 80 to lead the six additional regional qualifiers at the Division 1-District 10 tournament held Thursday West Shore G.C. in Grosse Ile.

Holmes also made the cut with an 88 as the Patriots shot a four-player team total of 350 (seven shots off qualifying).

Other Franklin scorers included Brandon Kozyn (90), Frank Wilson (92) and Doug Nagy (93).

Dearborn Edsel Ford captured the team title with a 326 followed by regional qualifiers Temperance Bedford (327), Monroe (328), Southgate Anderson (332), Dearborn (340) and Brownstown Woodhaven (343).

Edsel Ford's Thomas Prato, a junior, was individual medalist with a 71.

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Blazers make finals of Division 2 district

Paige Brennan tallied a pair of goals and added an assist as Livonia Ladywood moved in the Division 2 district girls soccer final with a 4-1 win Thursday over host South Lyon.

The Blazers, who improved to 13-3-6 overall, faced off Saturday against Catholic League rival Dearborn Divine Child for the title at South Lyon.

Kelly Capoccia tallied the game's first goal in the 23rd minute with a Courtney Horaney scored for the Lions (5-14-3) in the 45th minute from Andre Pesch, but Ladywood put the game away just 12 minutes later on Brennan's unassisted goal.

"We did a nice job finishing our chances today," said Ladywood coach Ken Shingledecker, whose team outshot the Lions, 13-6. "I liked our creativity in the offensive end."

Ladywood goalkeeper Maddie Reed made five saves

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as did South Lyon's Caitlyn Kort.

In the 30th minute, Brennan scored from Capoccia to make it 2-0 and Dominique Sarnecky increased the lead to 3-0 on a goal from Catherine Garber in the 34th minute.

NORTHVILLE 3, CHURCHILL 0: In a district semifinal Thursday at Canton, state-ranked Northville (16-2-2) advanced by defeating Livonia Churchill (11-7-2) for the second time this season.

The two teams met in Churchill's season opener on March 28 with the Mustangs scoring an identical 3-0 win.

Northville led 1-0 at half-time as junior Sam Jarrett headed in a deflected shot from Junior Mallory Weber for the first goal after Churchill goalkeeper Kaylie Secord made a spectacular stop.

"They (Northville) really pushed us the first eight-to-10 minutes and were kind of like a deer in headlights," Churchill coach Dave Hebestreit said. "Northville is a good team and they have the ability to play the long ball into open areas of the field, which is taxing."

In the second half, sophomore Emily Bush would score twice - once on a nifty flick pass from senior Becky Reynolds and the second via a penalty kick goal.

Kiki Hilmer was in net for her second shutout of the playoffs.

"I'm proud of the girls, they kept playing hard and were combining," Hebestreit said. "I'm not happy with the loss, but I'm happy with their effort. Kaylie Secord played her best game of the year. She made four or five huge stops. And our thought all four defenders - Rachel Zukowski, Melissa Bird, Kelsey Rothermel and Megan McDonald - all played well."

BOYS GOLF RESULTS

MHSAA DISTRICT BOYS GOLF TOURNAMENT RESULTS
DIVISION 1-DISTRICT 9
June 2 at Whispering Willows G.C. (Livonia)

TEAM STANDINGS (top 6 advance to regional): 1. Ann Arbor Huron, 305 strokes; 2. (tie) Plymouth and Livonia Churchill, 307 each; 4. Saline, 314; 5. Salem, 321; 6. Ann Arbor Skyline, 326 (won tiebreaker); 7. Ann Arbor Pioneer, 326; 8. Canton, 341; 9. Westland John Glenn, 355; 10. Ypsilanti Lincoln, 359; 11. Ypsilanti, 361; 12. Wayne Memorial, 368.

Individual medalist: Alex Wunderlich (Huron), 72.

TEAM-BY-TEAM SCORING
A.A. Huron (305): Alex Wunderlich, 72; Rob Aldrich, 76; Danny Lang, 78; Reid MacCallister, 79; Guy Frydenlund, 80.
Plymouth (307): Justin Bauer, 73; Kyle Rodes, 76; Josh Heinze and Ryan Rieckhoff, 79 each; John Tatti, 83.
Churchill (307): Ben Proben, 74; Chris Theile, 75; Cory Dare, 79; Dominic DiLisi, 79; Ryan Carpenter, 95.
Saline (314): Caleb Wittig, 77; Jackson Lambert, 78; Collin Strauder, 79; Keith Long, 80; Ian Martin, 82.
Salem (321): Brian Patterson, 77; Josh Perrin and Nick Danis, 81 each; Eric Duprey, 82; Brandon Duprey, 83.
A.A. Skyline (326): Ian Marshall, 77; Connor Lang, 81; Josh Bourque, 82; Tim Huppenbauer, 86; Andrew Wayrynen, 87.
A.A. Pioneer (326): Davis Randsell, 76 (sq); Eric Miller, 79 (sq); Nick Margolis, 82 (sq); Brendan Schoonover, 89; Davis Argersinger, 90.
Canton (341): Marty Peck, 82 (sq); Alex Champagne, 83; Josh Maxam, 86; Frank Parzynski, 90; Justin Legel, 92.
John Glenn (355): Josh DuPrie, 86; Mitch Dean and Nick Doupe, 89 each; Conner Monroe, 91; Brian Fawley, 94.
Ypsilanti (359): Connor Smith, 84; Mike Winters, 85; Jacob Sell, 90; Matt Golowic, 100; Dylan Marzolino, 112.
Ypsilanti (361): Jacob Sewell, 78 (sq); Brian Pierson, 82 (sq); Tom Reynolds, 88; Ryan Katon, 113; Scott Hitchcock, no score.
Wayne (368): Zachary Williamson, 83; Jarret Williamson, 92; Corey Robbins, 94; Austin St. Peter, 99; Chris Schmidt, 107.

(sq): additional individual regional qualifier.

DIVISION 1-DISTRICT 8
June 2 at Huron Meadows G.C. (Brighton)

TEAM STANDINGS (top 6 advance to regional): 1. Birmingham Brother Rice, 285 strokes; 2. North Farmington, 300; 3. Birmingham Seaholm, 302; 4. Livonia Stevenson, 320; 5. Farmington, 320; 6. Birmingham Groves, 324; 7. West Bloomfield, 334; 8. Berkley, 343; 9. Farmington Hills Harrison, 348; 10. Royal Oak, 364; 11. Southfield and Southfield-Lathrup, no team score.

Individual medalist: Francesco Ruffino (Seaholm), 68.

TEAM-BY-TEAM SCORING
Brother Rice (285): Nick Dennis, 70; Sean Frie and Lucas Belanger, 71 each; Jeremy Ball, 73; Kyle Gaines, 79.
North Farmington (300): Max Kollin, 73; Blake Burnett, 74; Matt Coursen, 75; Nick Williams, 78; John Durst, 87.
Seaholm (304): Francesco Ruffino, 68; Tim Pearce, 77; Nick Vick, 78; Chris Milliken, 79; Brad White, 99.
Stevenson (320): Adam Giordano, 77; Nick Marsh, 80; Dante Cicchelli, 81; Cam Tetrault, 82; Nick Barr, 84.
Farmington (320): Jimmu Patterson, 77; Matt Goldi, 78; Austin LeGault, 82; Nick Hefferon, 83; Matt LeGault, 91.
Groves (324): Brian Hurlton, 77; Graham Cenko, 79; Connor Flynn, 83; Calvin Greer and Nick Pursel, 85 each.
West Bloomfield (334): Ari Siegel, 76 (sq); Michael Mitchell, 81 (sq); Akbar Husain, 87; Leo McLaughlin, 90; Ryan McCarthy, 91.
Berkley (343): Jimmy Demery, 79 (sq); Kyle Flowers, 86; Danny Despard, 89; Eric Israel, 90; Drew Bartosik, 93.
Harrison (348): Anthony Serafa, 83 (sq); Tommy Somerville, 85; Kyle Coscarelli and Curtis Coscarelli, 90; Brett Jaksim, 92.
Royal Oak (364): Mike Christie, 84 (sq); Alex Bashi, 88; Josh Gagne, 97; Evan Champion, 95; Curtis Notarantonio, 98.
Southfield (no score): Jordan Bahannon, 79 (sq); Mike Harden, 89.
Lathrup (no score): Andrew Manning and Rabsanan Norris, 115 each.
(sq): additional individual regional qualifier.

DIVISION 1-DISTRICT 10
June 2 at West Shore G.C. (Grosse Ile)

TEAM STANDINGS (top 6): Dearborn Edsel Ford, 326 strokes; 2. Temperance Bedford, 327; 3. Monroe, 328; 4. Southgate Anderson, 332; 5. Dearborn, 340; 6. Brownstown Woodhaven, 343; 7. Livonia Franklin, 350; 8. Garden City, 361; 9. Taylor Truman, 370; 10. Wyandotte Roosevelt, 371; 11. Dearborn Heights Crestwood, 384; 12. Taylor Kennedy, 404.

Individual medalist: Thomas Prato (Edsel Ford), 71.

TEAM-BY-TEAM SCORING
Edsel Ford (326): Thomas Prato, 71; Nicholas Boileau, 83; Vincent Mercado and Gregory Barbour, 86 each; Robert Neff, 87.
Bedford (327): Luke Berger, 78; Tim Combs, 80; Spencer Schuon, 84; Joey Dier, 85; Austin Engler, 88.
Monroe (328): Tyler Kellems, 77; Tyler Gilbert, 80; Todd Jones, 82; Tyler Berry, 89; Alex Coe, 101.
Southgate (332): Jacoc Lemay, 76; Robert Campau and Clayton Batko, 82 each; Andrew Popp, 92; Jeff Burnette, 94.
Dearborn (340): Evan Bowser, 73; Alex Hamm, 85; Matt Januszowski, 90; Omar Mullian, 92; John Marcon, 96.
Woodhaven (343): Eric Parker, 84; Ryan DeCaires, 85; Ryan Grant, 86; Andrew Michel, 88; Jeremy Klotz, 90.
Franklin (350): Drake Hermann, 80 (sq); John Holmes, 88 (sq); Brandon Kozyn, 90; Frank Wilson, 92; Doug Nagy, 93.
Garden City (361): Allen Eizember, 86 (sq); Tom Firavich, 89; Phil Miskulin and Will Lovejoy, 93 each; Mike Malden, 95.
Truman (370): Chris Rembsz, 86 (sq); Joshua Crossman, 93; Brandon Kennedy, 94; Jack Dobeck, 97.
Wyandotte (371): Josh Hinderlighter, 89; Alex Nowacki, 91; Ryan Lynch, 94; Pete Caparotta, 97; Jack Carlisle, 107.
Crestwood (384): Jacob Dzbanski, 87 (sq); John Hess, 91; Jeff Gorski, 100; Matt Kirunchyk, 106.
Kennedy (404): Jalen Wimberly, 88 (sq); Dillon D'Angelo, 94; Jan Tatje, 109; Robert Miller, 111; Keith Frayley, 115.
(sq): additional individual regional qualifier.

GIRLS TENNIS RESULTS

2011 MHSAA GIRLS TENNIS STATE FINALS DAY 1 RESULTS
DIVISION 1
June 3 at MIDLAND

No. 1 singles: Angelica Woods (Livonia Franklin) defeated Shannon Wen (Troy Athens), 6-4, 6-4; lost to Gabriella Spindler (Clarkston), 6-0, 6-1; Paige Fallu (Livonia Churchill) lost to Hailey Barrett (Grand Lodge), 6-1, 6-0.

No. 2: Nicole Kruse (Churchill) lost to Carli Capestany (Hudsonville), 6-0, 6-0.

No. 3: Ani Cooper (Churchill) lost to Lizzie Brozovich (Port Huron Northern), 6-0, 6-1.

No. 4: Mara Karageozian (Churchill) lost to Allison Stevens (Grand Blanc), 6-1, 6-0.

No. 1 doubles: Quincy Barinir-Rylie Fallu (Churchill) lost to Mackenzie Stephens-Marie Holaway (Holland West Ottawa), 6-0, 6-1.

No. 2: Kristi Fata-Jayde Schulz (Churchill) lost to Carrie Lynch-Claire Brennan (Grosse Pointe South), 6-0, 6-1.

No. 3: Maria Paul-Becky Snyder (Churchill) lost to Catherine Bernard-Allie Horwood (Saline), 6-2, 6-0.

No. 4: Rujuta Patil-Pankti Thaker (Churchill) lost to Julie Prisy-Lauren Rasmussen (Saline), 6-2, 6-0.

DIVISION 3
June 3 at KALAMAZOO COLLEGE

No. 1 singles: Stephanie Petrusa (Livonia Ladywood) lost to Emily Spiech (Otsego), 6-4, 6-1.

No. 2: Erica Ley (Ladywood) def. Megan Barthel (Grand Rapids Catholic Central), 2-6, 6-0, 6-3; lost to Margaux Hyman (Beverly Hills-Detroit Country Day), 6-1, 6-0.

No. 3: Megan Glowacki (Ladywood) lost to Shea Donahue (Haslett), 6-3, 6-0.

No. 4: Nicole Salter (Ladywood) def. Stephanie Morgaard (Mason), 6-4, 6-2; lost to Madelyn Karoud (Country Day), 6-0, 6-0.

No. 1 doubles: Kenzie Kettner-Jenny Rhodes (Ladywood) def. Claire Witorski-Rachel Hantzenberg (Petoskey), 6-1, 7-5; lost to Hannah Schulz-Christin Drozel (Allegan), 6-2, 6-1.

No. 2: Mary Beth Ruona-Courtney Doenitz (Ladywood) lost to Sarah Meyerholtz-Courtney Sullivan (Grand Rapids CC), 7-5, 6-4.

No. 3: Marua Mott-Mia Kudron (Ladywood) lost to Saja Fadda-Jennifer Bageris (Ada Forest Hills Northern), 2-6, 6-1, 6-2.

No. 4: Allison Franz-Shannon Butwill (Ladywood) lost to Margaret Gregg-Lauren Krug (East Grand Rapids), 6-1, 6-0.

Whalers release 2011-12 sked

When the Plymouth Whalers start the 2011-12 regular season on Sept. 21 in Owen Sound, they'll continue a tradition of starting a new season against the current Ontario Hockey League champion.

The Whalers have played the current OHL champion to start a new season in four consecutive seasons and six different times since 2002.

Plymouth hosted 2002 champion Erie to start the 2002-03 season, played in Kitchener in 2003 and 2008, opened the season in Windsor in 2009 and 2010 and now will play in Owen Sound against the OHL champion Attack to begin the upcoming season.

Saturday night continues to be the primary home date in Plymouth, with 18 games slated for Saturday night at 7 p.m. at Compuware Arena.

Plymouth plays at home on 10 Fridays at 7 p.m., will play three matinees on Sundays at 2 p.m. and hosts the annual Kid's Day game 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 28 against London.

The Whalers also will play four pre-season games in 2011-12. Although the Sept. 3 game against Windsor is tentatively set for Compuware Arena, the Whalers may move the game to a neutral site.

Other schedule highlights include 28 games with West Division rivals (eight each against

Saginaw and Windsor and six each against Sault Ste. Marie and Sarnia) and 20 are against Midwest Division opponents. The remaining 20 games are against Eastern Conference teams.

The Whalers have enjoyed a 20 percent increase in attendance over the past three seasons. Single-game seats can be purchased for \$16 for Center Ice seating and \$12 for Executive Reserved. Season tickets for the 34-game home schedule start at \$295.

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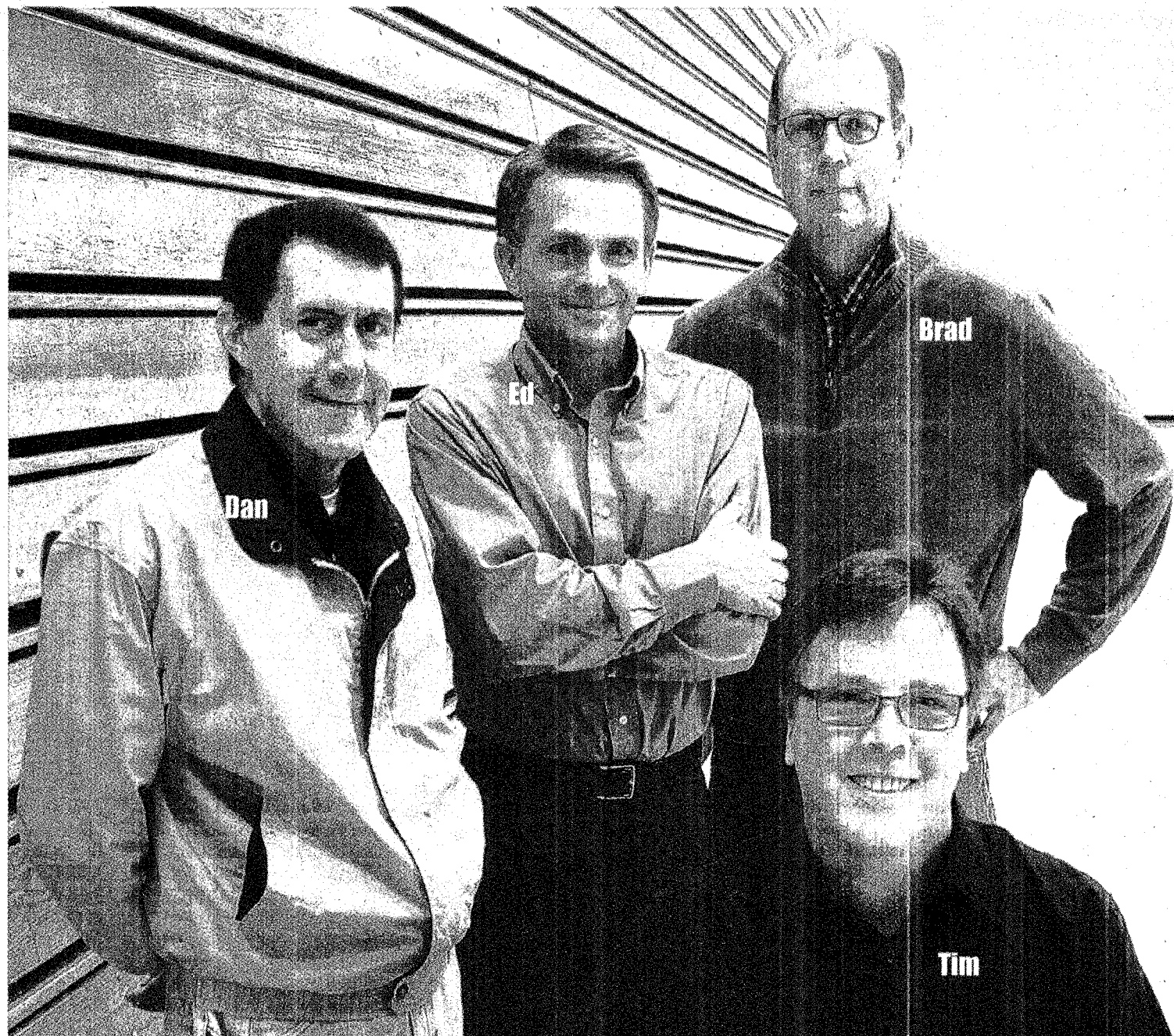
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Dan O'Meara Sports Editor

Beat: Farmington/Farmington Hills youth/prep sports

Experience: Has covered sports in the Farmington community for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers for more than 23 years and, for seven years, worked the same beat in Plymouth-Canton. Before joining the Observer, Dan worked for three daily newspapers - the Big Rapids Pioneer, The Daily News in Greenville and the Ypsilanti Press - from 1979 until early 1987.

Education: Graduate East Detroit High School; B.A. Journalism (minored in history and english) Central Michigan University in 1978.

Awards: Honored for sports writing, sports column writing and best sports sections by the Michigan Press Association and Suburban Newspapers of America.

Personal: Lives in Westland. Attends annual homecoming reunions with former 'Shamrocks' from EDHS and enjoys covering the gridiron sport.

In his own words:

"I enjoy reporting and making the Observer the go-to source for sports information, especially when covering big games and events of heightened interest in the community."

Ed Wright Sports Editor

Beat: Redford, Garden City youth/prep/recreation sports

Experience: Worked as the sports editor for the Marshall (Mich.) Chronicle and Dearborn Heights Leader before accepting position as a publications manager for Midwest Publishing, Inc. Worked at Midwest Publishing, Inc. for 16 years before getting laid off in 2004 due to economy-based down-sizing.

Worked as free-lance writer for Observer from 1999-2002; worked as sports editor of Plymouth and Canton Observers from 2004-09. Developed and operated PlymouthCantonSports.com from August 2009 to February 2011.

Education: B.A. in journalism from Central Michigan University.

Awards: Many state and national writing awards for sports coverage, sports writing, column writing and sports features from the Michigan Press Association and the Suburban Newspapers of America.

Personal: Married to Laura (25th wedding anniversary in August 2011); three kids: Erik, 21; Brandon, 17; Ben, 10. Erik is a redshirt sophomore pitcher for Madonna baseball team, majoring in marketing and sport management; Brandon is a student at Cooke School in Northville; Ben is a fourth-grader at Tonda Elementary in Canton. The Wright family lives in Canton.

In his own words:

"Here is why I love covering high school sports: There are no lockouts, no holdouts, no taking plays off, no guaranteed contracts and no practice boycotts. It's refreshing being able to write about athletes who play for their school, their teammates, their coaches and their love for the games."

Brad Emons Sports Editor

Beat: Livonia, Westland youth/prep sports, Madonna University, Schoolcraft College.

Experience: Joined the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers in December 1977 and has covered the Livonia, Westland, Redford, Canton, Plymouth and Garden City sports beat for nearly three decades.

Education: Livonia Franklin High School grad where he played high school basketball on the patriot's first district championship team B.A. Journalism, Franklin College, Franklin, Ind.

Awards: Catholic League Hall of Fame (1996) Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan Hall of Honor (2008) O&E Journalist of the Year (1996) College Tennis MVP, Franklin College 1977 Michigan Interscholastic Track Coaches Association Finish Line Award (2003) Honored for sports column writing by the Michigan Press Association

Personal: Lives in Plymouth and is an active distance runner with two local clubs (Northville and Downriver). He averages 30-35 miles per week.

In his own words:

"Covering community sports is rewarding because it's remains the last bastion of amateur sports. The athletes and schools remain appreciative of the coverage."

Tim Smith Sports Editor

Beat: Plymouth and Canton youth/prep and Plymouth Whalers of the OHL.

Experience: Joined the O&E in 1986, as a news reporter for the Southfield Eccentric. He also covered news beats in West Bloomfield/Lakes (1991 - 97) and Farmington (1997 - 2001).

Joined the sports staff in 2001, covering the Redford - Garden City communities, Madonna University and Schoolcraft College.

Education: Graduate of Livonia Clarenceville High School, B.A. Mass Communication Wayne State University.

Awards: Finalist for Society of Professional Journalist's (Detroit Chapter) Journalist of the Year Award in 1996, O&E Journalist of the Year 1998. Writing, reporting awards from the Michigan Press Association and Suburban Newspapers of America.

Personal: Lives in Livonia with wife Donna and 16 year-old daughter Elizabeth. He is the author of "Miracle Birth Stories of Very Premature Babies-Little Thumbs Up!" (1999). Is a longtime recreational ice hockey goalie.

In his own words:

"I cover teams from year-to-year, all season long. You almost feel part of the teams yourself and can't help silently cheering when an athlete or team does something incredible. Another plus: When moms and dads thank us for what we do, chronicling the efforts of their sons or daughters in a way they can't get anywhere else."

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Church celebrates 100 years of growth

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
CORRESPONDENT

Through the last 100 years, St. John's Episcopal Church in Plymouth has remained a constant in the community. The Rev. Dorian McGlannan, pastor, attributes the congregation's endurance to "listening and adapting to changes in culture and the church."

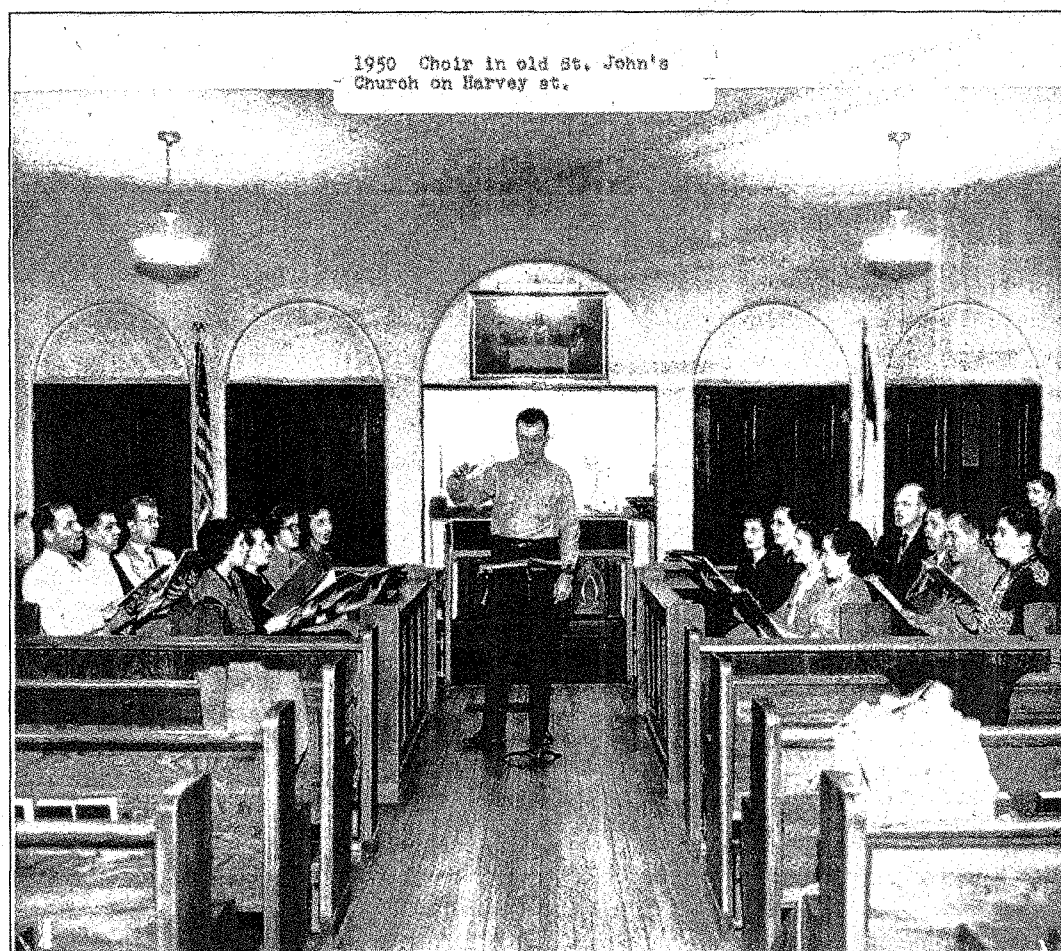
What began in 1898 as a meeting of six women in the home of Mrs. Warren Mills has grown to 325 families.

The church had ups and downs along the way, including an eight-year hiatus due to dwindling attendance. It resumed services in 1911 in the Universalist Church on the corner of Dodge and Union and on Feb. 19, 1912 became a mission of the diocese. An Episcopalian congregation remains a mission until it is financially self-sustaining. Parish status was granted in 1944 and in 1955 a campaign began to build the church on Sheldon between Ann Arbor Road and Ann Arbor Trail. Ground was broken Sept. 6, 1959 and the first service held June 5, 1960.

Over the last century, St. John's members have attended services at four locations. In addition to its current site and the rented Universalist space, the congregation also built churches on Union, behind the Wilcox house, and at the corner of Maple and Harvey.

On June 19, a centennial worship service and picnic will kick off celebrations that will conclude on the official anniversary — Feb. 19, 2012.

"What's good about the congregation is being able to provide traditional and contemporary services with communion every week and be



The choir rehearses in St. John's Episcopal Church at its Harvey Street location in 1950.

creative within that format," said McGlannan who came to St. John's in 2005 as rector.

Between selections of the church's six resident rectors, the congregation paused to review, reflect and decide on a direction for growth. A third service was added in 1998 and the SonShine Contemporary Music Team eventually joined choir programs for adults, children, youth, and handbells under the direction of Julie Ford.

"The changes have occurred mostly with music," said McGlannan. "We've incor-

porated drama into services, sometimes liturgical dance. We discuss how to use given elements of our liturgy to have that speak to contemporary."

Except for three summer months, services take place on Sundays at 7:45 a.m. without music. At 9 a.m. the sounds of flute, piano, guitar and clarinet fill the church with contemporary music followed by a traditional service with choirs at 11 a.m. Starting in late May, the times change to 7:45 a.m. and 10 a.m. with blended music

"There's a little something

for everyone," said Carol Kapusky, church historian and co-chairwoman of the centennial celebration. "Music has always been one of the priorities of St. John's."

Carole Maxwell became a member of the choir 64 years ago, but attended St. John's from age 12.

"I first went to church at Maple and Harvey where we had to wear black beanies," said Maxwell, 78. "My grandmother got me into the church. I was going to a Lutheran church then moved closer to grandmother and have been



The congregation gathers to place the cornerstone of the church on Sheldon, Nov. 15, 1959.

here ever since. I like the people, music and the conductor. When I don't sing in services I miss it."

Maxwell especially appreciates the caring gestures from St. John's numerous service groups. Last year when she had open-heart surgery she received a quilt with every tie signifying a prayer. Prayers & Squares create quilts for the ill and shut-ins and is just one of the ministry opportunities available. Members donate their time to provide meals for new mothers, grieving families and those who are ill. Pastoral care teams visit shut-ins, offer prayers, communion, and support through a group for caregivers of Alzheimer's patients. Mission Ministry teams cook and serve at Crossroads Soup Kitchen in Detroit, host blood drives and travel to the Dominican Republic and Appalachia to paint and assist in Vacation Bible School.

"The congregation is a mixture of families with young children, a few young single adults to very elderly," said McGlannan. "We have a strong youth group for junior and high school students. The outreach we do is a big draw.

We have a relationship with a town and church in San Pedro (Dominican Republic). It's important for parishioners to see how other people live. They're poverty stricken. It's a transformative experience."

McGlannan found out how compassionate members are when she was diagnosed with Stage III breast cancer in January 2010.

"It's an extremely caring congregation," McGlannan said. "It's really changed since I've been here, the flexibility. There's a real spiritual maturity and growth. The trust level has increased. During my illness we stayed in touch through the blog."

Carol Kapusky also noticed the change as well as a result of the arrival of McGlannan.

"It was good to experience the transition, to see the resilience of people of St. John's, the caring of people, the strength to grow through change," said Kapusky. "It does take a lot of work, moving forward and someone giving a few dollars, the Women's Guild making money with potluck dinners."

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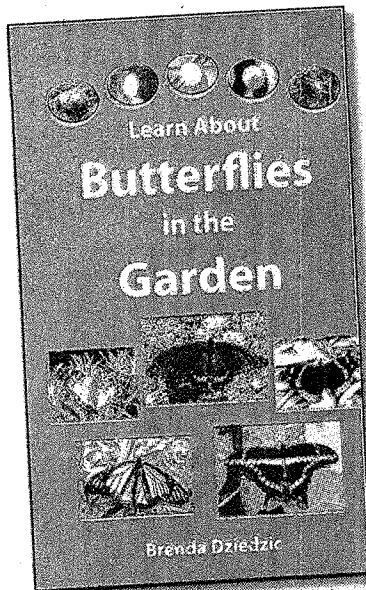
Brenda Dziedzic has learned a thing or two about transformation from the butterflies she has studied the past 10 years.

"Electronic engineering technology — is that crazy, or what?" she said, musing about the job she held before butterflies became a full-time passion.

"Before I retired I started getting into nature. I wish I had gone into entomology. It wouldn't have paid as much, but it would have been more fun."

Since retiring, the Westland resident has studied butterflies in the Amazon rainforest and watched monarchs flutter by in Mexico. She planted butterfly-attracting plants in her backyard, has been raising and releasing the colorful insects since 2002 and last month self-published her first book on her favorite subject.

"I co-founded the Southeast Michigan Butterfly Association in 2007 so I could teach more people about how to get back the butterflies that used to be here years ago. Then, I thought if I wrote a book I could reach people all over the U.S."



Westland resident Branda Dziedzic wrote and self-published a guide to backyard butterfly gardening.

Two years ago she began compiling notes collected over the past decade, transforming them into a guide for the novice butterfly gardener. The result is a 304-page guide, *Learn About Butterflies in the Garden*, with more than 260 photos, as well as maps detailing where species live, lists and descriptions of plants that attract butterflies and information about metamorphosis — from egg to adult.

"I wanted it for the novice so if someone picked up that book and they saw a butterfly they wanted in their yard, they could go to a list of host plants, plant them and they would have that butterfly," she said.

PUBLISHING PROCESS

Dziedzic, who has raised 2,909 butterflies over nine years, was a novice when it came to publishing. She learned business essentials — obtaining a tax license and ISBN number — and taught herself how to use a book layout and design program.

"I had a big learning curve," she said.

Sheridan Books in Ann Arbor published her work. The book is available at

Barson's Greenhouse, 6414 Merriman, between Ford Road and Warren Road in Westland, (734) 421-5959; Goldner Walsh Nursery, 559 Orchard Lake Road, Pontiac; (248) 332-6430; Gray's Greenhouse, 8820 Lilley, Plymouth, (734) 453-1220; Master Gardener of Western Wayne County, 5454 Venoy, Wayne, (734) 727-7238; and Nankin Mills Interpretive Center, 33175 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland. Cost is \$19.95.



Brenda Dziedzic releases butterflies in her Westland garden.

BUTTERFLY GARDEN

All but five of the butterflies detailed in the book live in Michigan. Most of them have likely visited Dziedzic's backyard. She posted a video clip on YouTube last year showing more than 30 species of butterflies on a "Pink Delight" butterfly bush in her garden. "I couldn't believe it," she

said, adding "My yard is like a little island in the neighborhood, but the butterflies smell the plants."

Dziedzic said she never set out to start an organization, lecture, and write a book, although she has always wanted to own a butterfly house with native species someday. In the meantime, her back-

yard is open to visitors for two days every August.

"I always do it in August because I have butterflies in my yard at all times," she said.

Guests this year also will get a chance to see plants with signs indicating their common and Latin names, as well as caterpillars, eggs, and chrysalides.

GARDEN & NATURE

Send garden information and photos to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@hometownlife.com.

BLUES AND MOTHS

Dwayne Badgero, "The Moth Maniac," will describe the blue butterflies and native moths of Michigan at the next meeting of the Southeast Michigan Butterfly Association (SEMBA), 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 15 at Nankin Mills Nature Center, 33175 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland. Parking on Hines Drive or Ann Arbor Trail. Meeting cost is \$3 for non-members. Questions? Call (734) 326-0578 or visit www.sembabutterfly.com.

GARDEN WALK

The 21st annual Ann Arbor Garden Walk will run 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 11. Six gardens and a marketplace of garden art are included. Garden Walk tickets can be purchased online at www.annarborfarmandgarden.org, or at these Ann Arbor locations: Dixboro General Store, Downtown Home & Garden, Nicola's Books, and Matthei Botanical Gardens. Advance tickets are \$12. Tickets are available the day of the Walk at any

of the gardens, at \$15 adult, \$3 students K-12. Groups can purchase advance tickets for \$10 per person; contact Irene Ball at (734) 222-0747. The ticket includes a map of the garden locations; participants can visit the gardens in any order and at their own pace. Descriptions of the featured gardens are on the website.

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- See a free presentation, *The Basics of Water Gardening*, at 1 p.m. Saturday, June 11 at all store locations.

- Learn how to bring color and texture to your garden at a free presentation on perennial gardening, 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 29 and 10 a.m. Saturday, July 2.

- Get tips on creating a container water garden, 10 a.m. Saturday, July 9.

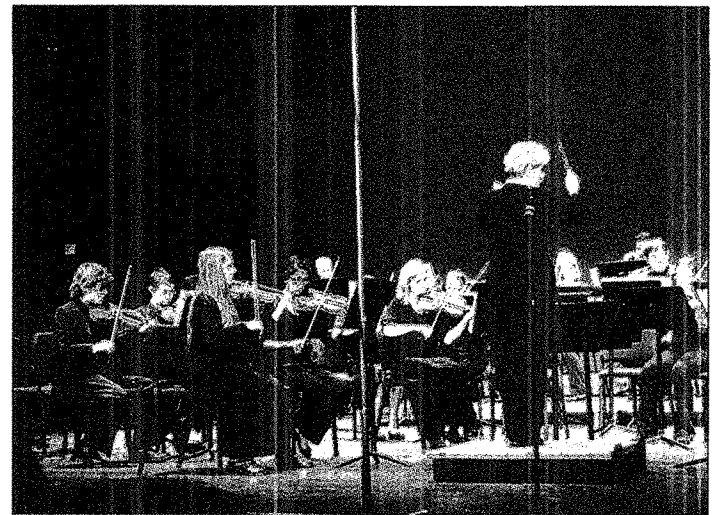
- Find out how to keep the summer garden looking its best at 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 13.

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The Michigan Philharmonic Youth Orchestra rehearses with Nan Washburn, conductor.

Flute choir, orchestra to perform in park

The Michigan Philharmonic Youth Orchestra and the Michigan Philharmonic Youth Flute Choir under the direction of Conductor Nan Washburn will present a free concert at 6 p.m. Tuesday, June 7, in Kellogg Park, in downtown Plymouth.

Selections include music from the movies, Broadway and more.

The Michigan Philharmonic Youth Orchestra provides a unique, enriching and exciting musical experience for aspiring young players throughout Southeastern Michigan.

The group performs two major at the Village Theatre at Cherry Hill in Canton. Weekly Tuesday evening rehearsals are held at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, also the home of the Michigan Philharmonic.

The Michigan Philharmonic Youth Orchestra program also offers workshops and master classes with prominent guest soloists and composers and yearly side-by-side performances with the professional musicians of the Michigan Philharmonic.

To find out more about joining the Michigan Philharmonic Youth Orchestra, call Jane Libbing at (734) 451-2112.

LEARN ABOUT SENIOR LIVING OPTIONS

Botsford Commons plans an information meeting called "Senior Housing and Services 101," beginning with registration at 6 p.m., Thursday, June 16. The program is designed to provide an education into the world of senior living.

The group of experts will be on hand to help seniors and soon-to-be seniors navigate all issues associated with senior living, including home health care, day care services, senior communities, hospice and other living options.

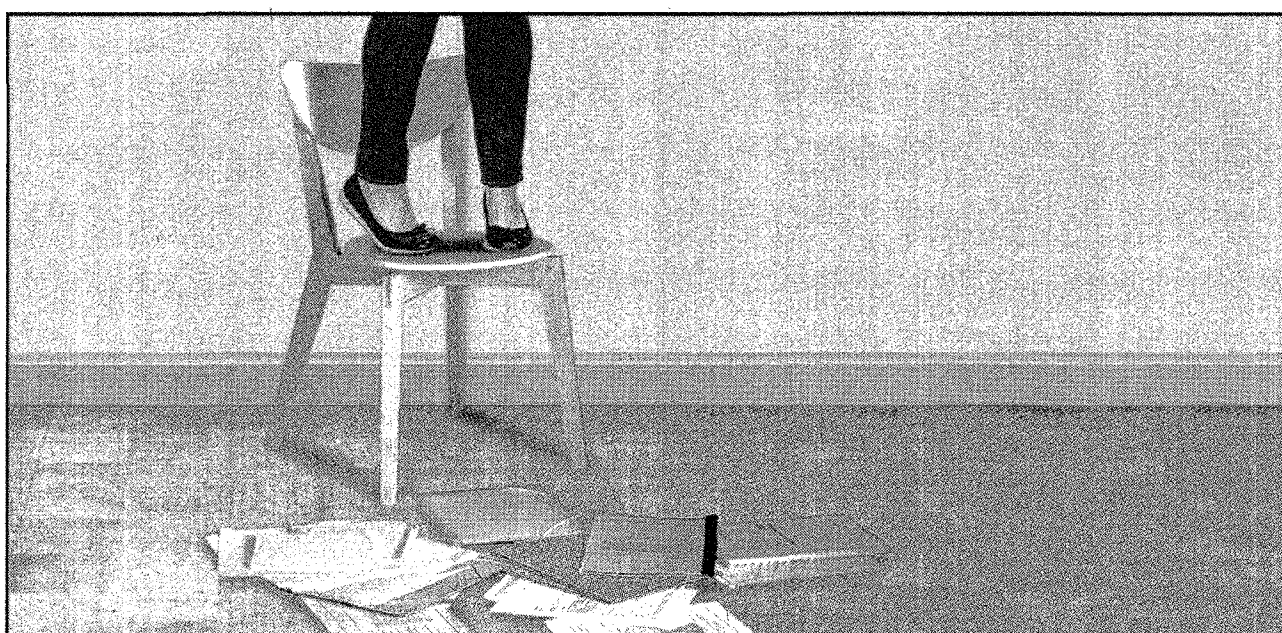
Speakers will include representatives from Sterling Home

Healthcare of Canton, Hospice of Michigan and Senior Helpers, a Michigan group that provides in-home aid to senior citizens.

Light refreshments also will be served.

Sessions will start at 6:30 p.m. in the Senior Living Center Dining Room, located at 21400 Archwood Circle, between Middlebelt and Orchard Lake Road, north of Eight Mile in Farmington Hills.

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Unfortunately, a patient with Alzheimer's has lost the ability to remember details and cannot give coherent replies. In most instances, the observations of the person giving care cannot compensate for the patient's memory loss.

Examining the Alzheimer patient has great value, as joints such as the knee or ankle may show swelling and have fluid present. Other joints such as the shoulder often prove difficult to examine as the patient may need to cooperate and follow directions on how to move the joint, but the ability to cooperate is limited.

Treatment is also limited. Patients with dementia of any type have difficulty swallowing medication, and when moody, may refuse any therapy. The doctor can only prescribe and then respond with patience when the patient returns with the same pain.

ST. JOHN'S

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Kapusky's documented the history since becoming church historian in 2004. She noted that in the early 1920s the Union street location was rented for Hungarian services due to the large population in the Plymouth area. Kapusky continues to learn new information including the fact her last name is the misspelled Hungarian name of Kapusy.

"It can be like a full time job, organizing, writing a monthly article in the newsletter to share the history. During those years I made contact with the (Plymouth) historical museum, started sending files so we have a decent amount of history on record. A lot of history books refer only to the Universalists and Catholics being there on Union and never mention the Episcopalians."

History is always an incomplete draft, according to Kapusky who refuses to take all of the credit. Written documentation was carried forward through the years, she said, and parallels the history of Plymouth.

"It's always ongoing. I'm always uncovering information. People come and say this isn't quite right or there's a misspelling. I try to verify in several places," said Kapusky.

"It took a lot of determination to keep going through the Depression with the big names in the community, Sidney Strong, the Saxtons, a lot of determined people. I feel like I'm surrounded by spirits. It's a labor of love."

Jane Libbing remembers the little, white frame church on Maple. She became a member in sixth grade in 1951 after her parents, James and Doris Hardimon came to Plymouth.

"When we moved here the whole family became active in the Women's Guild, vestry, the choir, bazaars. I still have a friend today from the youth group," said Libbing. "It's been a tremendous experience for me, brought us together as a family."

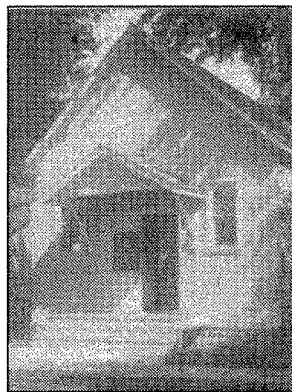
The memorial for her father, who died in 1960, funded the stained glass cross in front of the church. It was replaced with the current cross in 1978. James was on the vestry or governing board for the church.

"Mom took over as vestry. There were no women on vestry before," said Libbing, one of the volunteers who tend the Memorial Garden outside the church.

"Mom's and dad's ashes are both there. It's kind of a special place for me. My aunt is there. St. John's will always be home."

Kapusky feels the same way. The Northville woman joined the church 27 years ago.

"We went to a Novi Episcopalian church a couple of times. My husband was a lifelong



St. John's Episcopal Church occupied this building on Union Street from 1920-27.

Episcopalian. We signed the children up for Sunday school and never looked back," said Kapusky who has been a member of the vestry. "I became involved, took over funeral meals, felt comfortable getting involved and working with people.

The more I got involved, the more people I knew."

Laura Good

used to pass the Sheldon location often and one day decided to join. Her young family has been involved with the church ever since. She lives in Canton. Members come from Plymouth, Livonia, South Lyon, Novi, and Northville.

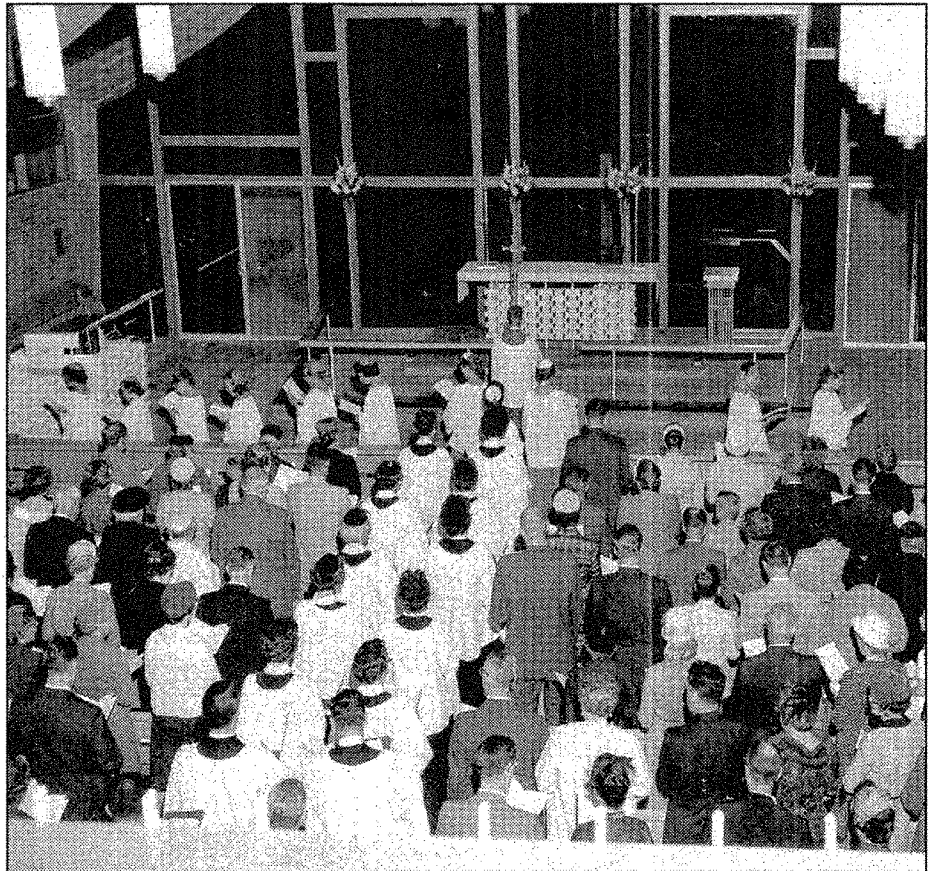
"That was 15 years ago," said Good who grew up in the Episcopalian church. "I was expecting my first child. We raised our two kids in church, Emily, 14 and Sydney, 12. For me I have no family in this state. People here have become a family. Both children love the activities in youth group, fun activities from winter sledding to rock climbing. They can talk about what they don't want to talk to their parents about. It's safe."

Today, Good co-chairs the centennial events committee. The June 19 picnic is the first of 5 events planned to celebrate the anniversary. A historical tour and barbecue follows on Sept. 18, Thanksgiving Pot Luck Dinner and Hymn Sing Nov. 19. The Centennial Gala Dinner and Dance Feb. 18, at Summit on the Park is the only adult-only event. The activities culminate with the Centennial Festival Eucharist Feb. 19.

"At the picnic we'll be playing turn-of-the-century games for kids, sack race, hoop racing, three-legged race, hop scotch, and the youth will put together a time capsule," said Good. "We wanted to plan activities for all ages and invited former clergy and members. For the Feb. 19 service we want to give thanks for the first 100 years together and would like to use the service used in 1912."

A display marking the first 100 years continues through February 2012 at the Plymouth Historical Museum. The Plymouth District Library hosts a display for the month of November.

St. John's Episcopal Church is at 574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth. For information, call (734) 453-0190 or visit www.stjohnsplymouth.org.



St. John's Episcopal Church dedicates its third building, located on Sheldon in Plymouth, on Sept. 15, 1960.

St. John's 100th anniversary events

• Centennial kick-off service and picnic

The Rev. Robert Shank Jr., the church's fourth resident rector from 1969-94, will participate in 10 a.m. worship service on Sunday, June 19. Hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks will be provided at the picnic, which starts at 11:15 a.m. Bring a dish to share along with a blanket or chair. RSVP by June 10.

• St. John's historical tour and barbecue

12:15 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 18. Take a two-mile walk to the church's previous locations in downtown Plymouth. Join the fun run or stroll through history. Begins at St. John's with a barbecue followed by a visit to three sites. Tickets \$10 adults, \$5 children ages 5-

12, \$30 maximum for a family. RSVP by Sept. 7.

• Thanksgiving potluck dinner and hymn sing 5:30 p.m. dinner, 7 p.m. hymn sing Saturday, Nov. 19. Celebrate blessings received and enjoy a potluck dinner featuring recipes from the church's centennial cookbook. Bring a dish to pass and stay for a traditional hymn sing led by Julie Ford, St. John's Minister of Music. RSVP suggested.

• Centennial gala dinner and dance

6 p.m. Saturday Feb. 18, 2012, at Summit on the Park, Canton. Enjoy the only adult-only event featuring dining, dancing and video presentation on the first 100 years. Tickets \$40. RSVP by Feb. 1, 2012.

• Centennial festival Eucharist

10 a.m. Sunday Feb. 19, with Bishop Wendell Gibbs, Jr., pastor of the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan. The congregation celebrates the official centennial anniversary, giving thanks for the first 100 years and praying for guidance and blessings. Reception and fellowship follows service.

All events take place at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth, except for the gala dinner next year at Summit on the Park, Canton. To RSVP, call the church office at (734) 453-0190, or contact Centennial Events Committee co-chairs Laura Good at CLGood@comcast.net or (734) 451-9862 or Michele Jane at bravejayne@yahoo.com or (734) 414-9867.

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Dearborn Heights Robichaud Class of 1961
 50th class reunion Sept. 24, 2011 at the Dearborn Hills Golf Course. All classes are welcome as Robichaud High School also celebrates its 50th anniversary. Contact Bill Haskin at billsmustangs@msn.com; (734)595-4927 or Nancy at woloni@aol.com; (248) 529-6461.

Detroit Cody Class of 1961
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Class of 1971
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Class of 1981
 30th reunion planned for Aug. 6, at One Under Banquet Facility 35789 Five Mile, Livonia. Visit http://www.freewebs.com/bentley81 for more details.

Livonia Franklin Class of 1966
 45th high school reunion, Oct. 8 at Laurel Park Marriott. Seeking classmates and contact info. E-mail contact info to Larry Ruzsas at Lruzsas187264mi@comcast.net or call him at (810) 599-3506.

Plymouth High School Classes of 1951-52
 Planned for Aug. 19-21. Just show up for gatherings at 6 p.m. Aug. 19 at Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth and 6 p.m. Aug. 20 at the Box Bar Restaurant in downtown Plymouth. Bring a dish to pass and a large bottle of pop for the picnic at noon, Aug. 21 at the #1 pavilion in Plymouth Township Park, 46640 Ann Arbor Trail. For more information call Ron Beaver at (734) 397-9357, Bea Gray at (734) 453-6613 or Dick Nelson at (734) 453-0798.

Redford Union Class of 1971
 6:30-11:30 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 27,

at Plymouth Elks Lodge, 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. Look for Redford Union Class of 1971 on Facebook or e-mail to RUHS71@yahoo.com

Class of 1962
 Looking for classmates for 50th class reunion on Oct. 13, 2012. E-mail Linda (Hornig) Tracy at lindatracyl00@gmail.com or call her at (231) 882-7268 or e-mail Madeline Rice at paddlinmadeline@gmail.com.

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St. Mary of Redford Class of 1971
 6 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Sept. 10 at Monaghan K of C Hall, 19801 Farmington Road, Livonia; \$40 per person or \$75 per couple. Make your reservation check payable to and mail to: Peter Noble, 12001 Market Street #443, Reston, VA 20190. For more information, e-mail to barkerwa@aol.com.

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 The 30th reunion is planned for 7 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 6, at Doc's Sport Retreat in Livonia. Tickets are \$20 per person for appetizers. There will be a cash bar. The group is looking for classmates. For more information go to Facebook Southfield High Class of 1981 or e-mail Terri Jarvi O'Brien at terri@streetmtg.com.

Wayne Memorial High School Class of 1976
 35-year class reunion, 6 p.m.-midnight, Saturday, Sept. 17, at the Livonia Holiday Inn. Visit www.waynememorial76.com or e-mail to reed.terri@sbcbglobal.net

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JUNE 9-15

Concert
Time/Date: 3-4 p.m. Sunday, June 12
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Contact: (313) 937-3170

Fun fair/silent auction
Time/Date: Noon to 5 p.m., June 11
Location: Abundant Life Church of God, 2100 Hannan, Canton
Details: Concessions, games, moonwalk and more. Auction items include Detroit Tiger tickets, autographed sports items, dinner certificates, manicure/pedicure, hair color/cut, gift baskets, quilts
Contact: (734) 722-7688

Pomegranate Guild
Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sunday, June 12
Location: The Spicer House in Heritage Park, Farmington Road between 10 Mile and 11 Mile, Farmington Hills
Details: The Pomegranate Guild of Southeastern Michigan, a group that studies and creates Judaic needlework, will have a dairy potluck luncheon and complete selections for next year's officers
Contact: Judy Galperin at (248) 661-5337

Rummage sale
Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. June 9-10 and 9 a.m.-noon, June 11
Location: Trinity Church, 10101 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth
Details: Benefits youth and adult mission trips to Africa, Mexico and the U.S. Furniture, small appliances, housewares, tools, sports equipment, books, yard furniture/equipment, linens, clothing, plants, toys/games, lighting, jewelry and craft supplies
Contact: (734) 459-9550

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Day camp
Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. June 20-24
Location: Emanuel Lutheran Church, 34567 Seven Mile, Livonia
Details: Day camp is a week-long experience for children completing kindergarten through sixth grade. College-age individuals from Michigan's Living Water Ministries lead the camp. Includes singing, games, arts, crafts, nature activities, devotion, study, lunch, special activities, snacks. Registration is \$60 per child.
Contact: (248) 442-8822 or e-mail to office@emmanuel-livonia.org

Book of Faith
Time/Date: 10 a.m. or 7 p.m. Wednesdays, beginning June 22
Location: Good Hope Lutheran Church, 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City
Details: The Rev. Joan Christoffers leads a study on "The Book of Faith." Join the group for any or all classes
Contact: (734) 427-3660

ONGOING

AWANA
Time/Date: 6:30-8 p.m., Wednesdays
Location: Faith Bible Church, 23414 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills
Details: AWANA program for children from kindergarten-fifth grade
Contact: (248) 426-0096

Classes/study
Emmanuel Lutheran Church
Time/Date: 7-8 p.m., second Monday of the month
Location: 34567 Seven Mile, between Farmington and Newburgh roads, Livonia
Details: Open Arms Bible class for adults with developmental disabilities and special needs. Includes songs, Bible lessons, crafts and activities, prayer, snacks and fun.
Contact: pastor Scott Sessler at (734) 673-2485 or e-mail to pastorscott@emmanuel-livonia.org

Faith Bible Church
Time/Date: 9:45-10:45 a.m. Sundays through May 8
Location: 34541 Five Mile, Livonia
Details: "Four Views of the End Times" adult study
Also ongoing: "Life's Healing Choices" Study Group, 6 p.m., fourth Sunday through September is for men and women who want freedom from hurts, hang-ups and habits
Contact: (734) 464-7990

Men's Bible study
Time/Date: Breakfast at 7 a.m. and study at 8 a.m.
Location: Kirby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty, Northville Township
Contact: John Shulenberg at (734) 464-9491

New Life Community Church
Time/Date: Jobs seminar: 8-9 a.m., Fridays; reading program for students in grades K-12 and martial arts instruction, both at 10 a.m., Sundays
Location: 42200 Tyler, Belleville
Contact: (734) 846-4615

Nicole's Revival
Time/Date: 10:30 a.m., Monday-Friday
Location: YWCA Northwest Branch, 25940 Grand River, west of Beech Daly, Redford
Details: KJV Scripture Reading, Communion and Prayer
Contact: (313) 531-1234

Our Lady of Loretto
Time/Date: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday
Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford
Details: Scripture study
Contact: (313) 534-9000

Ward Presbyterian
Time/Date: 7 p.m., Mondays
Location: Room A101, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville
Details: Learner's Bible study is held
Contact: (248) 374-5920

Clothing bank
Canton Christian Fellowship
Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., fourth Saturday and 5-6:30 p.m., second Wednesday
Location: 41711 Joy, between Lilley and Haggerty
Details: Canton Christian Fellowship Clothing Bank offers free clothing (men, women and children) for those in need
Contact: (734) 404-2480, visit www.CantonCF.org or send e-mail to info@cantoncf.org

Food Bank
New Hope Church
Time/Date: 5-7 p.m., every Friday by appointment only
Location: is 44815 Cherry Hill, Canton
Contact: Call pastor Ranay Brown to schedule an appointment at (734) 270-2528.

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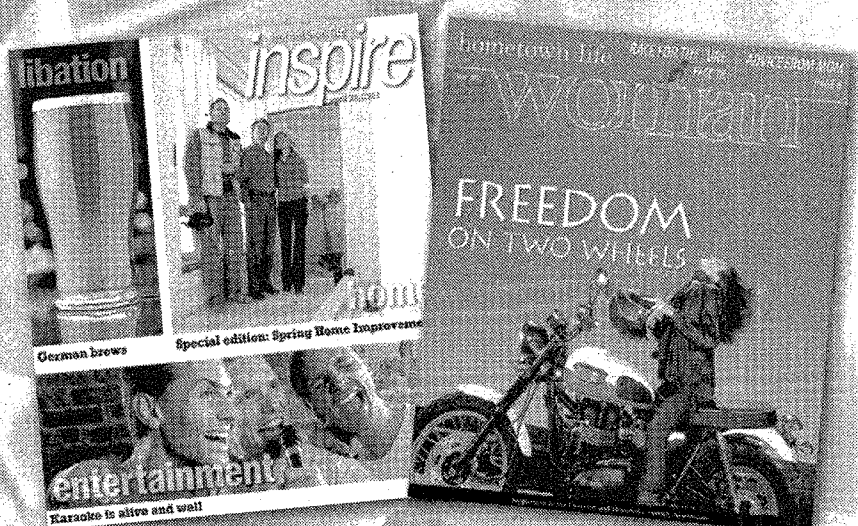
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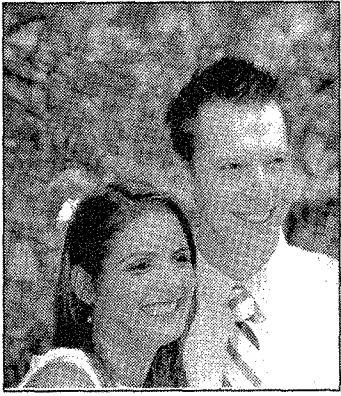
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Bain-Fortes

MAY WEDDING

Thais Araujo Fortes and D. Bruce Bain III were married May 21, 2011, at the home of the groom's parents in Plymouth. Joseph Rork officiated.

The bride, daughter of Antonio Cezar Cruz Fortes and Dalva Veras da Cunha Araujo of Teresina, Piaui, Brasil, is a graduate of Universidade Federal do Piaui, Brazil. She holds a Doctor of Medicine degree, and is trained in obstetrics-gynecology, as well as breast cancer surgery. She previously was employed by several hospitals in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

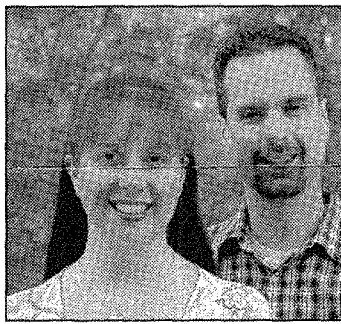
The groom, son of Donald and Elaine Bain of Plymouth Township, is a 1993 Plymouth Salem High School graduate. He graduated in 1999 from Eastern Michigan University and earned an M.B.A. in 2009 from Michigan State University. He is employed as a sales engineer by Quest Communications International.

The bride's attendants were Staci Thompson and Emily Hosler.

The groom's attendants were J. Bradley Hosler and Brandon K. Thompson.

A reception was held at the groom's parents' house.

The newlyweds reside in Plymouth.



Dubay-Alexander

JULY WEDDING PLANNED

Kim Dubay and Todd Alexander announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of Thomas and Peggy Dubay of Westland, earned a bachelor's degree in elementary education from Eastern Michigan University in 2001 and a master's degree in early childhood education from Eastern Michigan University in 2008. She teaches in the Wayne-Westland Community School District and is a dance teacher at The Dance Academy in Westland.

Her fiancé, son of Carolyn Alexander of Mercer, Pa., and the late Carl Alexander, earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Youngstown State University in 1993. He is an engineer with Navistar Defense.

A July 2011 wedding is planned at Good Hope Lutheran Church in Garden City.

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BENNETT, BETTY E.

Age 86, 12-16-24 to 5-19-11. Survived by sister Muriel and brother Gerald, and children David, Vendla, and Lawrence; as well as 11 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren, also many other family members. Memorial and luncheon on June 4th 12-2pm at Light and Life Church Methodist Church in Westland on Warren Rd.

BISHOP, ALICE G.

Passed away May 28, 2011 at 85. Resident of Livonia, MI. Loving sister of Patricia St. Louis, Barbara (William) Ellsworth and Roberta Hopkins. Also survived by 12 nieces and nephews, 32 grand nieces and nephews and 13 great grand nieces and nephews. Visitation was held at Fred Wood Funeral Home-Rice Chapel, 36100-5 Mile Rd. Livonia (E. of Levan). Wednesday 3-9pm Funeral Service were held Thursday at Central Woodward Christian Church, 3955 West Big Beaver Road, Troy. Instate 10am Service 11am. Memorial Contributions may be made to: Endowment Fund CWCC Central Woodward Christian Church



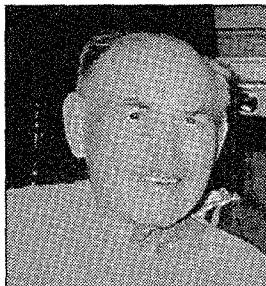
CURIEL, DOLORES NACHMAN

Age 68, of Farmington Hills, MI, ended her 11-year battle with lymphoma on May 30, 2011. Survived by her children, David (Amberly Polidor) Curiel and Nora Curiel, and siblings Allan (Joy) Nachman and Linda Goodman. Daughter of the late Harry and Shirley Nachman. Graduate of Mumford High (1960) and University of Michigan (B.A. 1964, M.A. 1965). Spanish teacher at Farmington High School for 16 years, life member of Hadassah, active member of Adat Shalom Synagogue, active in American Association of University Women, volunteer at Detroit Institute of Arts, and children's advocate for Oakland County Court System. Donations may be made in Dolores' honor to Yad Ezra (yadezra.org) or Alliance for Jewish Education (thisisfederation.org).



DETTER, ELIZABETH J.

Born to Walter H. and Bessie D. Nacker on May 11, 1922. She lived on the family farm on 6 Mile in Redford Twp. until 1927 when the family moved to a newly built home in the Strawberry Acres subdivision on Salem Ave. just south of Grand River in Detroit. The family farm then became Glenhurst Golf Course built by her father Walter and his brother Clayton Nacker in 1932. Elizabeth graduated Magna Cum Laude from Redford High on June 10, 1940. She attended Michigan State College later Michigan State University from 1940-1944 graduating with a B.A. degree in Radio, Speech and Dramatics. She taught second grade at Clarenceville Elementary School while taking M.A. classes in education at Wayne State from 1944-1949. Elizabeth married Harvey R. Detter of Detroit June 26, 1946 and the couple had one child David A. Detter born February 1951. Harvey died in 1967. She became a Christian under Billy Graham in the mid-1950's and was an organist and choir director at First Baptist Church of Livonia for 10 years until 1967. She joined Ward Church in 1968 and was elected the first female ruling elder in 1974. Elizabeth was very active doing sermon research for Dr. Hess, Ward's senior pastor from 1969-1991. She played piano for Dr. Hess' Wednesday night bible class and Dr. Bill Greenman's Sunday school class where her son David accompanied her on guitar. She has been a member of Meadowbrook Country Club since 1989. She was a chaplain for the Daughter's of the American Revolution and a member of the Pie Sigma Delta Society. She is survived by her son David, his wife Kelly K, grandson Jack A and step-grandson's Rourick and Bryce David. Visitation Wednesday 2-9pm at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Rd, Livonia and Thursday 10am until time of Service at 11am at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 West 6 Mile Rd. Northville. Memorials to Lupus Foundation of America or the Americans Helping Americans organization. Share a memory at: www.rggharris.com



ESCH, BEN O.

Age 84, was called home to the Lord May 30, 2011. Loving husband of Judith. Loving father of Katrina Esch and Elizabeth (Paul) Brown. Grandfather of Duncan Brown. Visitation Sunday 3-8 pm at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, 25450 Plymouth Road, Redford. In state Monday 10 am until his funeral service at 11 am at Grace Lutheran Church, 25630 Grand River, Redford. Burial at Glen Eden. Memorials may be made to the National Parks in Ben's honor. www.harryjwillfuneralhome.com



FLEMING, PAMELA JANE

Age 57, died at home on June 1, in Northville, Michigan after a 2 1/2 year battle with pancreatic cancer. A 1976 graduate of the Indiana University School of Journalism, Pam was an accomplished writer and reporter for over 35 years with positions in Indiana, Missouri, Tennessee and Michigan. During the past eight years, she was a reporter for the Novi News, the Northville Record and the Insider Business Journal. Though Pam's professional life was spent writing, her true love was golf. To say that Pam was an avid golfer is an understatement. Pam won the Evansville Country Club Women's City Tournament in both 1979 and 1980 and made three holes-in-one over the years. Pam is survived by sisters, Joan Burkert (Gunther) of Burlington, Iowa, Sally Tresselt (Thomas) of West Hartford, CT and sister-in-law Anne Fleming Tannehill (Joseph) of Panama City, FL. In the addition to her family, Pam will be deeply missed by her many friends and colleagues whose lives she has touched. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia, MI 48154. A memorial service was held at the Heenev-Sundquist Funeral Home, 23720 Farmington Road, downtown Farmington, on Saturday, June 4 at 11:00 am. A private memorial service will be held in Evansville, IN at a later date.



GICZEWSKI, JAMES

Age 23, May 30, 2011. Loving son of Norbert Giczewski and Cathy Judge (Marc Champ). Brother of Andrea and grandson of James & Betty Judge and Norb & Sylvia Giczewski. Godson of Ruth Schettenhelm and Mike Giczewski. He is the nephew of Barney (Kathy) Judge, Tom (Tracey) Judge, Mike (Barbara) Giczewski and Jo (Ron) Marisi. Visitation was Thursday and Friday at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, Livonia. Funeral Mass was Saturday at St. Colette Catholic Church, Livonia. Burial at Glen Eden. Memorials may be made in James' honor to the Children's Defense Fund. http://www.childrensdefense.org/support-our-work/ Please visit www.harryjwillfuneralhome.com



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GOSDZINSKI, JEAN H. (Schumacher)

Age: 78, of Westland, MI, passed away Tuesday, May 31, 2011 at Providence Hospital in Novi. Jean was born on June 20, 1932 in Delaware Twp, Sanilac Cty, to the late Joseph and Emma Schumacher. She married Alfred Gosdzinski, on November 21, 1953 in Palms, MI. He preceded her in March of 1991. She lived in the Westland area for 48 yrs, where she raised her seven children. Jean truly enjoyed traveling, visiting many places like England, Bahamas, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Hawaii and Las Vegas to name a few. She is survived by her loving children: Elizabeth Trupiano (Ray), Audrey Piper (Jeffery), Doris Chiles (Loren), Linda Patterson (David), Edward Gosdzinski (Melinda), Thomas Gosdzinski and Julie Eckles; her loving grandchildren: Brian Chisholm (Jennifer), Patrick Chisholm, Brandy Piper, Katherine Chiles, Aaron Chiles (Heidi), Eric Chiles (Christina), Kimberly Beach (Kevin), Jason Patterson (Trina), Kenneth Patterson (Shanell), Joshua Gosdzinski (Kayla); and loving great-grandchildren: Garrett Beach, Karissa Beach, Logan Patterson and Samantha Chiles. She is also survived by two brothers: Jack Schumacher (Delores) and Laverne Schumacher (Bevelly); four sisters: Jenella Cox, June Moy, Lois Peyerk (Clarence) and Shirley Ginther (Norman). Visitation was from 1-9pm Friday, June 3, 2011 at L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, Westland, MI. Mass was celebrated Saturday, June 4, 2011 at St. Bernadine of Siena Church, Westland. Burial will take place on Wednesday, June 8, 2011 at St. John's Cemetery in Ubyly, MI.

MOROCH, MARIE L.

Age 85, of Plymouth. Beloved wife of the late Peter. Loving mother of Cheryl (David) Kaszuba, Susan Moroch and Cindy Nimety. Proud grandma of Joel (Kate), Corey and Alexandra and great-grandma of Kaya and Cedar. Preceded in death by daughter Leigh Marie. Dearest sister of Jane Regan and Nancy Quintero. Also survived by many other loving family and friends. Memorial contributions may be made to Angela Hospice. She was laid to rest at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Please visit online guestbook fredwoodfuneralhome.com



REID, LORENE HARRIS

Of Bloomfield Hills, MI; passed away peacefully at home on May 20, 2011. Lorene was born December 2, 1931 in Norman, Oklahoma, to Loyd Erwin and Maurine Dill Harris. She was the devoted wife of Glenn; loving mother of James Reid (Alexis), David Reid (Diane), Douglas Reid (Beth) and Sheri Reid Grant; proud grandmother of Erin Reid Barbosa, Emily, Mary, Rachel, Caitlin, and Andrew Reid, Megan and Nathan Grant; loving sister of Ronald Harris. She graduated from Ohio State in 1953 and began a successful teaching career. Lorene retired in 1995 from Avondale School District after 32 years of service. She developed and directed the district's Gifted and Talented Program, which included outstanding work with autistic students. In retirement she used her passion, to research her family's history. Her enthusiasm and dedication to genealogy took her many places not only around the US, but abroad, including England, Scotland and Germany. Lorene's favorite things in the world were her genealogy research, teaching, coffee, playing bridge and of course...SHOES! A Memorial will be held in her honor at The Radisson Kingsley, in Bloomfield Hills, MI from 1 to 4 p.m. on June 12, 2011. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Family History Center, 5574 Castleton Drive, West Bloomfield, MI 48322. Share condolences and memories at: sgrant@flexible-products.com All stories will be collected and shared with the family

NIEDERMEYER, JEANNE R.

Hubert, NC; formerly of Plymouth. Age 85, died Mon., May 30, 2011 after a long illness. www.jonesh.org

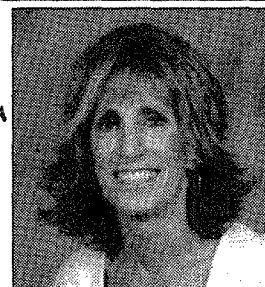


NIXON

FLANEGIN, PATRICIA DECEMBER 20, 1925 - MAY 21, 2011. PITTSBORO, NC. Patricia Nixon Flanegin of Pittsboro, NC, died at 8:30p.m. on Saturday, May 21, 2011 at University of North Carolina Hospital in Chapel Hill, NC. Born Patricia Josephine Quinn in Chicago, IL on December 20, 1925, she was the daughter of Vincent Quinn and Jeannette Birren Quinn and the sister of Carol Quinn Fiske. Patricia attended Rosemont College in Bryn Mawr, PA where she graduated with majors in Art and English in 1947. She worked in Peoria, IL as a graphic designer and later in Chicago as a proofreader for Field Enterprises' World Book Encyclopedia. Patricia married Robert K. Nixon, MD in 1953. She lived for over three decades in Birmingham, MI, and had two daughters, Carrie and Eve. In 1986 Patricia and Robert moved to Pittsboro, NC. Patricia Nixon Flanegin was a woman of rare internal and external beauty, tireless intellect, and an intense devotion to her family and friends. Motivated by her deep Catholic faith and life-long commitment to helping the poor and unwanted, Patricia volunteered in leadership roles in the Junior League, the open housing/civil rights movement, Head Start, the right-to-life movement, and other causes. As one friend said, "She had an open heart for the whole world." Patricia remained vital, involved, and elegant until the end, and expressed interest in each person whom she met. From a family of artists, Patricia excelled at sculpture and served as a Docent at the Ackland Art Museum in Chapel Hill. She loved classical music as well as literature from authors across the globe. Patricia devoted herself to caring for her first husband, Robert K. Nixon, MD, who died in 1997, and has been likewise dedicated to her current husband, Robert L. Flanegin. Patricia's grieving survivors include her husband, Robert L. Flanegin; her daughters, Eve Nixon Shaffer of Lincolnton, NC and Carrie Nixon of Worcester, MA; four grandchildren, Sarah Shaffer, Matthew Shaffer, Michael Shaffer of Lincolnton, NC and Rebecca Wood, of Cincinnati, OH; two nephews, Quinn Fiske and Anthony Fiske; and two stepsons, James and Scott Flanegin. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Thursday, May 26 at St. Thomas More Church, 940 Carmichael St., Chapel Hill, NC 27514. Memorial contributions may be made to Catholic Relief Services, 228 W. Lexington St., Baltimore, MD 21201 or Project HOPE, 255 Carter Hall Lane, Millwood, VA 22646.

KURTYKA, JULIA C.

Age 67, died peacefully June 2 after a brave battle with cancer. She will be lovingly remembered by her siblings: Marion (Sonia), Carl (Sandra), Mary Reece (Jim) and many nieces and nephews; preceded in death by her parents; Joseph and Mary and brother; Joseph Jr. Julia received a Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Music from U of M. She was an accomplished violinist and played with the Birmingham Bloomfield, Grosse Pointe, Redford, Plymouth, Dearborn and Livonia Symphonies, the Michigan Opera Theater Orchestra and was co-founder of the Lexington Bach Festival. She also taught private lessons and dedicated 23 years to the Livonia Youth Orchestra. Julia was recently honored by the City of Livonia and State of Michigan for her years of teaching the youth of Michigan; she will be remembered for her wonderful spirit, contagious laughter, love of music and dedication to sharing that passion with her students. Visitation 6-9 p.m. Saturday and 2-9 p.m. Sunday with a Parastas service at 7:00 p.m. at the L. J. Griffin Funeral Home 8809 Wayne Road (at Joy Rd) in Livonia. Instate 9:30 A.M. Monday at St. Michael the Archangel Russian Orthodox Church, 26355 W. Chicago, Redford, MI (between Beech Daly & Inker Rds.) until the funeral service at 10:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers, donations to St. Michael's Orthodox Church or the Lexington Bach Festival would be appreciated. Interment Mt. Hope Cemetery in Livonia. Funeral arrangements entrusted to Professional Mortuary Services, (313) 894-1334.



LECLAIRE, NANCY BAILEY BARNARD

Age 59, lost her hard fought battle with cancer on May 28, 2011. She was born on October 10, 1951 in Detroit, Michigan to Kenneth W. and Iva (Murdock) Bailey. Nancy graduated from Wylie E. Groves High School in Birmingham, MI and earned a Bachelor Degree in Education from Michigan State University in 1973. She taught education at Gaylord Public Schools for 36 years all at South Maple Elementary School. Nancy was preceded in death by her parents. Survived by her husband Mitchell, sister Kathy (Jim) Nowak, son Jeffrey Barnard and friend Amanda, daughter Leanne (Jeffrey) Mazur, stepdaughter Amy LeClaire (Kenny) Berent, Stepson Adam LeClaire and fiancé Amy Zycyk and two lovely granddaughters Sophie and Maisy. Nancy loved her job and her South Maple family. Her optimism and strong faith were extraordinary and her family was first and foremost in her life. She enjoyed reading, walking, golfing and her home on the lake. According to her wishes cremation has taken place and a memorial service was held on Wednesday, June 1, 2011 at First United Methodist Church. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the American Cancer Society or a charity of your choice.



RAYBURN, JOHN BOYD "JACK"

Age 78, May 30, 2011. Beloved husband of Louise. Loving father of Lisa (Steve) Rief, Andrea (Chuck) Karbon, Diane (Scott) Campbell and Tracy (David) Miller. Dear grandfather of 9. Jack was a Korean War veteran. Visitation will be held at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Rd., Livonia, Thursday and Friday 3-8 PM. Funeral Service at the Mt. Hope Congregational Church, 30330 Schoolcraft Rd., Livonia, Saturday at 11 AM. Memorial contributions may be directed to the Michigan Humane Society. Please share a memory of Jack in his guestbook at: www.rggharris.com.

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MEDICAL DATEBOOK

JUNE

St. Mary Mercy Hospital

• "Taking Control," 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 8, features Alan Kott, a member of the sanofi-aventis AIC Champions Program, which is a patient-led approach to diabetes education. Admission is free. No pre-registration required. Call Community Outreach at (734) 655-8947 for more information.

• Baby Basics runs 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, June 11, in the hospital's auditorium. Participants will learn the skills of feeding, bathing, diapering, skin care, soothing and safety. A St. Mary Mercy Hospital certified pediatrician will discuss infant illness and child immunization. In addition, new parents will learn breastfeeding techniques including positioning, pumping, storage and breast care. The fee is \$50 per couple. Registration is required. To register call St. Mary Mercy Hospital's Marian Women's Center at (734) 655-1162, or register online at stmarymercy.org and click on "classes and events."

• Senior Health Day Fair will run 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 11. Includes health screenings, speakers, exercise demonstrations, a cooking demonstration, and free prizes and giveaways. Free boxed lunches available from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Pre-registration for the event is preferred. Call (734) 655-2929. The hospital is located at 36475 Five Mile, Livonia.

Health care reform

Learn how health care reform applies to the day-to-day practice of medicine at "Health Care Reform, Accountable Care Organizations, and Physician Network ... A Primer," 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, June 11, at Henry Ford Hospital, 6777 Maple, West Bloomfield. Speakers will discuss topics such as health care reform's effect on medical schools, health care economics and accountable care organizations' impact on health care reform. Cost is \$75 for physicians and \$50 for other professionals. Offers 4.0 AMA PRA Category 1 credits. Register at www.henryford.com/cmeevents.

Kidney treatment

Individuals facing kidney failure can learn about the treatment options that best suit their health and lifestyle needs at a Treatment Options Program (TOPs) session, 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 14 at Fresenius Medical Care Sheldon Corners, 6064 N. Sheldon, Canton. Healthcare professionals will talk about managing chronic kidney disease, dialysis treatment options, kidney transplants, patient support services and more. The session is free and open to the public. For more information, call Christine Hilmer at (586) 431-5084.

Free fall risk screening

The screening will run 12:30-3 p.m. June 15, at The Recovery Project, LLC, 20000 Victor Parkway, Suite 100, Livonia. A physical and occupational therapist, pharmacist and physicians will provide vision, balance, medication, blood pressure, and home safety screens. (734) 953-1745.

Summer camp

The American Cancer Society offers a camp for children being treated for cancer or for those who are in remission. Cancer survivors, 4-15 may participate in one of two camps offered by the Society's Great Lakes Division. Young Camper's Day is a one-day program offered to children 4-6 on Sunday, June 19. Camp Catch-A-Rainbow is a weeklong summer camping experience, held June 19-24, for children 7-15. Both camps are held at the YMCA Storer Camps near Jackson, where children have access to activities such as swimming, horseback riding, archery, canoeing, arts and crafts. Health care professionals are available at the camp 24 hours a day, so most medical treatments, with the exception of radiation therapy, can be done onsite or at a nearby center. Registration is accepted through May 27. Get an application by calling (800) 227-2343 or by visiting www.cancer.org/campinbow.

ONGOING

Aquatic classes

The YMCA of Metropolitan Detroit and the Arthritis Foundation have partnered to offer aquatic classes designed to ease the pain of arthritis. Classes are held 10-11 a.m., Tuesday and Thursday at the Farmington branch; 1-1:45 p.m. Monday and Wednesday at the Livonia branch; and 2-3 p.m. Wednesday and Friday, at the Birmingham branch. All classes are offered to members and nonmembers of every age and participants do not need to know how to swim to participate. To join, interested individuals can contact their local YMCA branch or visit www.ymcadetroit.org.

Arthritis support group

2-3:30 p.m. the third Thursday of the month at the Krieger Center, DMC Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital, 1 William Carls Drive, Commerce. Enter the building via the South Garden entrance. Registration not required.

Bipolar support

Depression Bipolar Support Alliance meets 6:30-8 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesday at Lincoln Behavioral Services Center, 14500 Sheldon Road, Suite 160B, Plymouth. It is accessed through the Plymouth Executive Park driveway north of M-14. It is a self-help group for people suffering from depression and bipolar disorders. Meetings are open also to family members. All DBSA leaders are professionally trained and attend two trainings for every year to update their skills in leading the group. Call Nancy at (734) 536-3457 or Katrina (734) 837-7700 with questions.

Be careful! Use caution to avoid false morel mushrooms

Every spring Michigan mushroom hunters take to the forest to hunt morels. But the pleasant pastime can turn dangerous if false morels are mistaken for true morel mushrooms and are consumed.

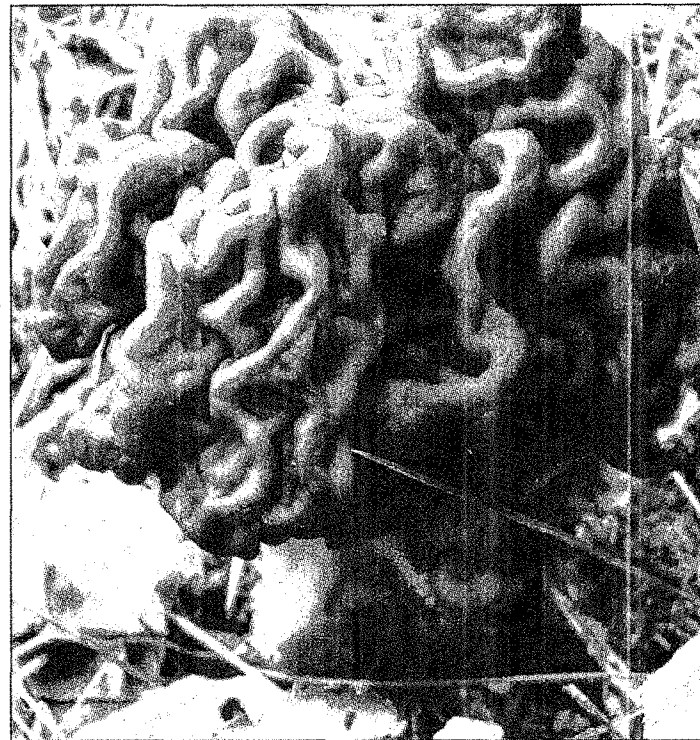
Over the past few weeks, Children's Hospital of Michigan Poison Control Center (PCC) has seen an unusually high number of patients with severe toxicity — resulting in hospitalization — after eating mushrooms that look like morels.

False morel mushrooms contain the toxin gyromitrin which is toxic to the liver and can lead to abdominal pain, hepatitis and jaundice within 48 hours. Bruising and bleeding, resulting from the loss of blood-clotting factors, also can occur in serious cases.

Illness usually begins six to 48 hours after consuming false morels. Symptoms include nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, diarrhea, dizziness, headache, muscle cramps, bloating, and fatigue. Individuals may develop confusion, delirium, seizures and coma, if they aren't treated.

False morels include the Beefsteak (*Gyromitra esculenta*) and Early Morel (*Verpa bohemica*) mushrooms.

Beefsteaks (*Gyromitra esculenta*) have wrinkled caps that look like brains when the mushroom is mature. When immature, they may be smooth or saddle-shaped. The stem may be narrow, pith-filled or one or two vertical chambers or hollow. The stem may also



Eating a false morel, such as this 'Beefsteak' mushroom, can cause nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, diarrhea, dizziness, headache, muscle cramps, bloating, and fatigue. Untreated, individuals may develop confusion, delirium, seizures and coma. False morels contain gyromitrin, which is toxic to the liver.

be thick with many chambers as if the flesh were folded vertically.

The early morel (*Verpa bohemica*) looks like the true morel, but its cap hangs around the stem. The cap and stem are joined at the top of the cap. The entire mushroom body is a single hollow cavity.

True morels (*Morchella* species) are pitted and ridged — not wrinkled or brain-like. The cap and stem are joined at the base of the stem or no more

than halfway into the cap.

EATING TOO MANY

True morels are known for their incredible flavor, but they also can cause illness if large amounts are eaten, they are undercooked or eaten raw, or if they are consumed with alcoholic beverages. For true morels, toxicity begins within a few hours and consists of nausea, vomiting, and abdominal pain lasting less than 24 hours.

Wild, edible mushrooms picked from contaminated habitats, such as chemically-treated lawns, ornamental trees, and areas near landfills and crop fields, also can cause illness.

When eating wild mushrooms, reserve a few in the refrigerator in case illness develops. If symptoms develop, see a physician immediately. Take the reserved specimens along in a paper bag to the doctor's office or emergency room.

The Poison Control Center also can accept e-mailed photos for identification. Individuals with questions or concerns regarding wild mushrooms can call the center at (800) 222-1222.

A fact sheet about morels also is available on the Department of Community Health Web site at www.michigan.gov/mdch-toxics.

The Michigan Mushroom Hunters also offers information at michiganmushroomhunters.org. Membership in the organization is \$15 annually for Michigan households and includes a quarterly newsletter, members-only mushroom hunts and discounts on North American Mycology Association dues.

The group also leads public mushroom hunts in southeastern Michigan. Upcoming events include forays July 3 and 30 in Highland Recreation Area in White Lake and Aug. 13 in Pontiac State Recreation Area.

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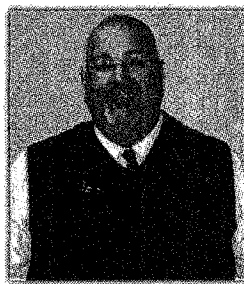
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Men's Health: Knowing Some Warning Signs Can Save Lives (And Relationships)

Evidence that links heart disease and erectile dysfunction (E.D.) has been mounting during the past several years. In one study, 65% of men who experienced a heart attack had erectile dysfunction (E.D.) and no history of heart disease. Additionally, it has been documented that some men experience their first heart attack about 3 years after their first signs of E.D. Because the penis arteries are much smaller than arteries of the heart, evidence of cardiovascular disease can manifest first as Erectile Dysfunction symptoms, long before other symptoms occur.

The recognition of E.D. as a warning sign of silent vascular disease has led to the concept that a man with E.D. and no cardiac symptoms is a cardiac patient until proven otherwise.

Erectile Dysfunction (ED) is a common problem that affects millions of men. It is a harbinger of overall Men's Health that can be an indicator of more serious life-threatening conditions such as heart disease, diabetes, and prostate cancer. It can also contribute to self-esteem issues, anxiety, depressive mood, and tension within a relationship.

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