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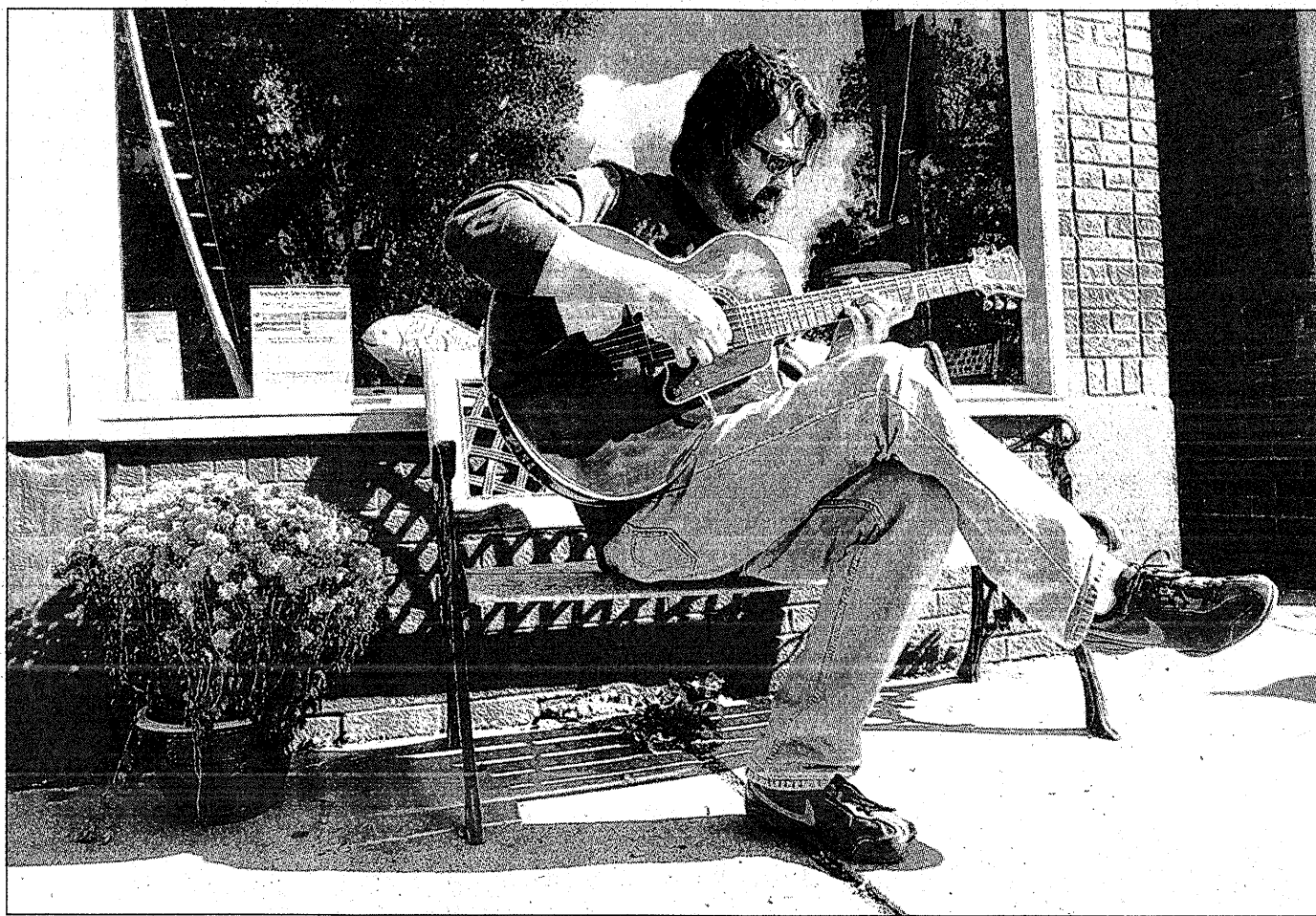
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Paul Murphy opened Blue Fish Music in Old Village more than three years ago, and expanded it this year.

Putting some 'new' in Old Village

Historic section of city seeks rebirth

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Tony Sebastian has lived in Plymouth's Old Village for nearly 17 years. And, as far as he's concerned there's almost no need to go anywhere else. "All of Old Village is a walking community, you can virtually take care of 90 percent of your tasks without a car," said Sebastian, 47, who lives on Starkweather. "You can find milk and eggs without getting in your car, you're within walking distance of eight-10 restaurants and you can walk to the library. "Personally, I'm of the opinion it's the kind of community we all need to live in," he said. "Come home at 5 p.m. on a Friday and not even have to get in your car until you go back to work Monday morn-



Tino Toia, son of Plymouth Fish Market and Restaurant owners Vince and Lori Toia, served up samples of cod, fries and coleslaw to Gary and Mary Ann Martin, of Canton during the Old Village Restaurant crawl.

ing." Members of the revived Old Village Association is hoping many people who live in community follow Sebastian's lead. The OVA also wants visitors to discover what they believe is Plymouth's other jewel. One of those opportunities will be this Sunday when the OVA hosts the

second annual Halloween Haunted Block Party on Liberty Street from 4-8 p.m. "We'll have pumpkin bowling, a doughnut gallows where you have to bit them off a string and people dressed as classic movie monsters," said Mark Oppat, president of the OVA. Oppat has lived in Old

OLD VILLAGE HAUNTINGS

- What: Old Village Haunted Block Party
- Where: Liberty, between Starkweather and Mill
- When: 4-8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26
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Village for 24 years and calls the community "a pretty cool place."

"It's a walkable neighborhood, and that was important to me," said Oppat. "You don't have to go far to get to anything, and you can ride a bike to get to other things. There are a number of restaurants, a great music store in Blue Fish. It's really becoming a cool area."

Please see **OLD VILLAGE, A9**

Mother charged in death of newborn

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy has issued charges against a 28-year-old Plymouth Township woman suspected of giving birth to, and then killing, her newborn daughter last week.

Emily Portellos has been charged with first- and second-degree murder, felony murder, premeditated murder and first-degree child abuse. Portellos is expected to be arraigned in 35th District Court in Plymouth today or Tuesday.

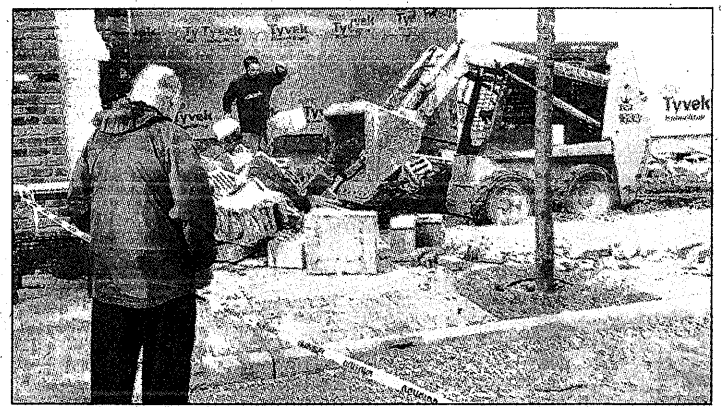
According to Detective Sgt. Steve Rapson of the Plymouth Township Police Department, the baby's death was discovered Wednesday after the mother, who had been rushed by rescue unit to St. Mary's Hospital in Livonia, told investigators where the baby was located.

Portellos had been taken to St. Mary's after her mother called 9-1-1 because Portellos was hemorrhaging, Rapson said. Upon her examination at the hospital, police said, doctors determined she had recently given birth, and "the birth was probably at a stage of sustainable life, so the baby is somewhere and we need to find her," Rapson said.

Rapson said detectives interviewed Portellos, who told them the baby, who was born sometime "during the day" Wednesday, was in her home in the Deer Creek subdivision of Plymouth Township, next to the bed where she slept. Police responded and found the baby, wrapped in towels and a plastic garbage bag.

The cause of the baby's death has not been released, pending a report from the Wayne County Medical Examiner.

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The Village Shopkeeper on Forest Avenue is being renovated to accommodate expansions for existing businesses and a yoga studio.

Renovations to give Forest a new look

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Forest Street entrance of E.G. Nicks restaurant will have a new look as the front portion of the former Village Shopkeeper furniture store has been torn down to build an outside seating area for the restaurant.

"We're carving out a space we call the Grotto Room that will have three walls and a roof which will open to the patio," owner Frank Agostini said. "We'll have radiant heat in the ceilings in both areas to extend the time we can use the deck. There will be a fireplace, soft lighting and TVs ... it will be kind of cozy. The outside will have a whole new look and we'll also do some renovations inside."

Another business, Vic's Mart-All Things Purses, will expand nearly four times its

current 351 square feet when renovations are completed.

"Welcome to purse heaven," said Martin Caruana of Plymouth Township, who owns the business with his wife, Vicki. "When it's complete we'll have between 300 and 400 styles of purses, 100 different wallets and 50 different accessories. And the expansion will allow us to bring in a complimentary product when we open the new store."

Caruana declined, at this time, to name the new product. A new yoga studio and fourth business are also part of the plan.

Renovations are being completed by building owner John Thomas, who said the project should be completed by December.

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Sun sets on plan for McCool property

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Officials at Sunrise Senior Living confirm they no longer plan to build a 78-unit assisted living community on the former McCool Apartments property on the northwest corner of Sheldon and North Territorial roads.

The announcement comes nearly eight months after Sunrise forced more than a dozen tenants to vacate their apartments and find new housing because the company planned to demolish the McCool apartment complex in favor of the senior living project.

"We are not moving forward with

the Plymouth development," said Sara Krueger, a Sunrise spokeswoman in McLean, Va. "We have a number of communities in the Michigan area and we are looking forward to serving them."

Sunrise has 16 properties in southeastern Michigan, including one in Northville Township on Haggerty Road north of Five Mile.

The Plymouth project had, until recently, been listed on the Sunrise Web site as "in progress."

"I was told the investors pulled their money out," said Plymouth Building Official Jim Penn. "They paid \$1.7 million for the property, and paid the city about \$15,000 for approvals and reviews.

They didn't pay for their building permit, which would have been \$120,000 based on the \$12 million construction costs.

"They haven't said if they still plan to take down the buildings," he said. "They do have a property maintenance company to mow the lawn, shovel the snow and take care of the property. The electricity has already been cut."

Krueger would not comment on information that Sunrise is closing its development office and pulling out of Michigan.

"We've made no announcements about closures," said Krueger.

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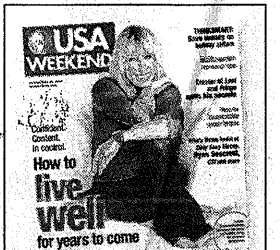


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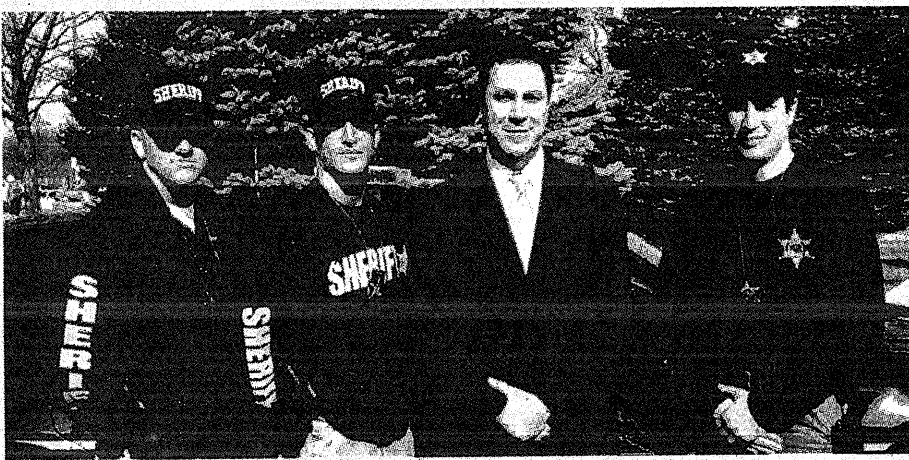


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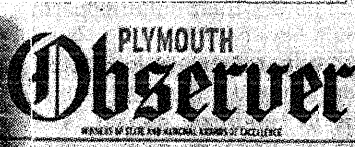


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Miller Woods walk

The Friends of Miller Woods invite everyone to enjoy a walk through the community's beautiful Maple-Beech forest to enjoy the colors and smells of autumn.

Guided walks are planned for Sunday, Oct. 26, at 2, 2:30, and 3 p.m. Miller Woods is located on Powell Road between Ridge and Beck Roads in Plymouth Township. As a reminder, the woods is a designated nature preserve, therefore dogs are not permitted within it.

For more information about this historic property, see the on-line story at www.hometownlife.com and visit the group's new Web site www.millerwoods.com.

ID theft seminar

Catholic Parishes Federal Credit Union hosts a free seminar on identity theft 6:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 28, at the credit union, 8817 Sheldon (on the northwest corner of Joy and Sheldon).

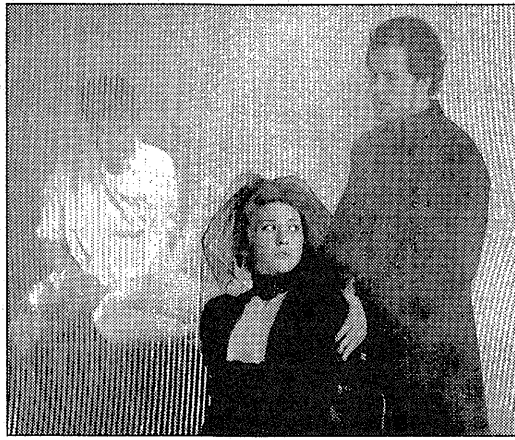
FBI Special Agent Patrick Lentz's presentation will teach how crooks get personal information, how to minimize the risk of ID theft, tips to protect yourself from "phishing" attacks and what victims can do to get help.

For reservations or more information, call (734) 432-0212, Ext. 203.

Money management

The Plymouth District Library presents a money management program for home buyers and sellers 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 25.

Jonathan Goldberg, an attorney and CPA with Bloom, Bloom & Associates in Farmington Hills, will discuss the many tax and legal aspects homeowners should know before buy-



Going 'Barefoot'

Barefoot Productions of Plymouth presents 'Playing With Fire (After Frankenstein),' a contemporary adaptation of Mary Shelley's gothic horror classic. Cast members include (from left-foreground) Amanda Igrisan as Elizabeth and Ken Karges as Victor Frankenstein; Matthew Williams (standing, background) as the young Victor and Nathan Corliss as the young Creature. Performances are Oct. 23 through Nov. 2, including two special Halloween shows. All performances are held at the Walker-Buzenberg building, 240 N. Main, in Plymouth. Tickets are \$10 for seniors and students, \$15 for general admission and \$5 for all seats for the 11 p.m. Halloween show. Call (734) 560-1493 for more information.

ing or selling their homes. Discussion will include purchase agreements, legal and tax aspects of renting your home, and mortgage and real estate tax issues.

Registration is requested for this free program, on-line at http://plymouthlibrary.org/regis_friends.htm, by phone at (734) 453-0750, Ext. 4, or stop by the Reader's Advisory Desk, Main Level of the Library.

Friends offer last chance of season to tour Miller Woods

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Shirley Thayer of Ann Arbor has taken the nature tour at Miller Woods in Plymouth Township several times.

However, the visits weren't her first connection to the beech-maple climax forest located on Powell Road, between Beck and Ridge. Thayer — who grew up as Shirley Miller — lived on the 120-acre farm owned by her grandfather, Norman Miller, from the time she was 3 years old until she graduated from the old Plymouth High School, which is now Central Middle School.

"(The woods) was our big treat, every Sunday grandpa would take us down to look at the trees and we would pick the wild flowers," said Thayer, 80. "I always had a fall leaf project at school and I could get plenty of leaves from the



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The Friends of Miller Woods offer walking tours of the woods Sunday at 2, 2:30 and 3 p.m.

woods.

"Grandpa helped me carve 'Shirley Miller 12-years-old' in one of the trees, and we'd go every year and see it," said Thayer. "Now, I can't find

it. It wasn't until I took one of the tours that I found out you never carve in the trees because it harms them."

The school district purchased 40 acres of the farm, which includes the 10-acre Miller Woods plot. University of Michigan students in the "Woody Plants" course visit Miller Woods to study the trees, a tradition for more than 40 years. And, Scout troops visit regularly to work on various badges.

The Friends of Miller Woods will hold the last of its guided walks for the season Sunday at 2, 2:30 and 3 p.m. The woods has a dozen different species of shade tolerant trees, most of them sugar maple and beech trees, of which some which are nearly 400 years old.

"We want to raise awareness and get people to come and see the history of Miller Woods," said Cheryl Bord, president of the Friends of Miller Woods.

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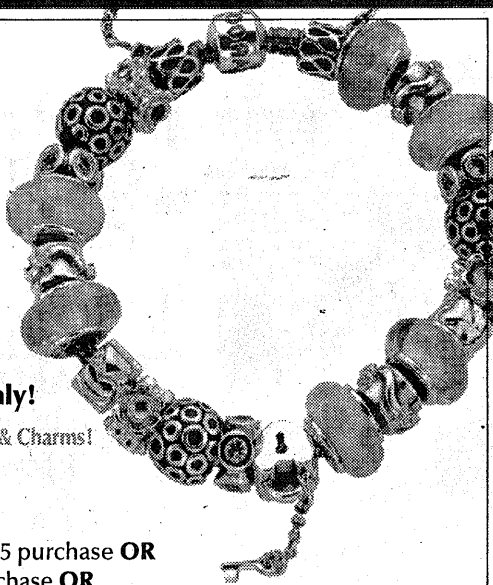
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Commission moves closer to altering parks millage

BY KURT KUBAN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Wayne County Commission moved closer Tuesday to passing an ordinance that will take a portion of the county's parks millage and dedicate it back to local communities for recreation initiatives.

Meeting in Canton, the Commission's Ways and Means Committee voted in favor of altering the 0.25-mill tax, which county voters first authorized in 1996 and have renewed twice since. It generated more than \$13 million for the county parks system in 2007.

If it ultimately passes,

the ordinance — proposed by Commissioners Kevin McNamara of Canton, Laura Cox of Livonia and Bernard Parker of Detroit — would transfer 25 percent of the annual millage back to cities, townships and villages to use on local parks projects.

Tuesday's public hearing attracted a large audience,

including Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey and Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack, two of the millage's biggest critics. Both expressed support for the proposed ordinance.

"Livonia puts in about \$1.25 million each year. In return, we've received pennies on the dollar," Kirksey said. "This (the ordinance) is a bright spot, to say to local communities we want to partner with you in these difficult economic times."

Yack said the ordinance would take the politics out of where the millage money is spent.

However, Wayne County Assistant Executive Alan Helmkamp warned the commissioners that the ordinance was illegal, because it would "constitute a different

purpose" than what voters approved.

"This is a very tantalizing proposal, especially at this time of year," Helmkamp said, referring to the upcoming election.

Commissioner Cox said the ordinance was about making sure there was an equitable distribution of funds from the parks millage.

"Every community will see this," she said. "We need to level the playing field."

The proposed ordinance now moves to the full commission. However, many of the details still have to be worked out on how local communities will be able to use the money, such as for capital improvements or maintenance, or both, and if the county must first approve the projects. Several com-

missioners, including Phil Cavanagh of Redford, said they were in favor of simply providing the communities with a check for 25 percent of what they contribute to the millage.

Only Commissioner Keith D. Williams of Detroit voted against the measure.

"I think we're going down a slippery slope. We're going to start pitting communities against one another," he said.

Helmkamp said the measure could end up in court, but he is hoping the ordinance can be killed in the legislative process.

McNamara said he is not worried about Ficano vetoing the measure.

"We are going to succeed with this ordinance, and we have the votes to pass it," he said.

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Forum focuses on influence in Supreme Court race

The League of Women Voters of Michigan is sponsoring several non-partisan forums entitled, "A Fair and Impartial Michigan Supreme Court."

The League of Women Voters Oakland Area will host a forum 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, at Schoolcraft College, VisTaTech Center, Presentation Room, Haggerty and Seven Mile.

Featured speakers are Judge Edward Thomas, Wayne County Circuit Court (retired); Detroit Free Press columnist Brian Dickerson; and Rich Robinson, executive director of the Michigan Campaign Finance Network. State Rep. Paul Condino, chair of the House Judiciary Committee, will moderate the event.

Races for the Michigan Supreme Court have become

expensive and highly contentious, with more than \$20 million spent to elect justices since January 2000. The growth of contributions from competing special interest groups and donor disclosure loopholes combine to create the appearance, if not the reality, of conflicts of interest in the Court's selection of cases and its decisions.

"Political influences are jeopardizing the integrity of the institution we rely on to protect our rights," says Eva Packard, president of the Oakland County League of Women Voters. "The Court is accountable to the Constitution and the laws, not to politicians and groups with a political agenda."

The forums are intended to raise awareness about the problems with the current system for electing justices,

present ideas for reform, and encourage citizens to take action.

The event is co-sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Michigan (LWVMI); League of Women Voters chapters in Ann Arbor, Dearborn-Dearborn Heights, Detroit, Grosse Pointe, Northwest Wayne County, Troy; Oakland County Bar Association; Washtenaw County Bar Association; Chambers of Commerce of Farmington/Farmington Hills, Livonia and Plymouth; AAUW of Michigan; Association of Black Judges of Michigan; Michigan Campaign Finance Network; Michigan Impartial Courts Coalition; National Council of Jewish Women, Greater Detroit Section; and National Lawyers Guild/Detroit & Michigan Chapter.

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Prosecutor opens out-county location

A new Wayne County Prosecutor's Office Out-County Office was officially opened Tuesday, Oct. 21, 2008 at noon. The new office is in the Dearborn Heights Justice Center at 25637 Michigan Ave., Dearborn Heights. The opening of the new office is the culmination of the efforts of Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano, Dearborn Heights Mayor Dan Paletko, the Police Chiefs of Wayne County, the Dearborn Heights City Council, and many others, who made this possible.

"We know that this office will improve our ability to serve our out-county communities by bringing justice closer to their homes," said Prosecutor Kym Worthy.

Government financial package has benefits for taxpayers

There's been much written about the \$700 billion package that Congress passed and President George W. Bush signed. Most of the conversation has to do with Troubled Asset Recovery



Money Matters

Rick Bloom

Program, a plan that will allow the government to buy equity positions in certain financial institutions and troubled mortgages. The purpose of TARP is to provide financial institutions with the necessary liquidity to start loaning money and easing credit. Although the money for TARP is the most important aspect of the bill there are other aspects of the legislation that can be valuable to you and me.

In the legislation that creates TARP, there are a number of tax law changes that potentially can affect you and me. One of these provides some planning opportunities with regard to charitable contributions. For the last couple of years, individuals who were over age 70½ and required to take min-

imum required distributions from their IRA had the option to have the distribution donated to a charity. This provided a great planning opportunity for people who do not itemize their deductions.

The law that allowed this tax treatment expired and was not valid in 2008. However, with the new plan this has changed and you now can, if you are over 70½, contribute your required minimum distribution to a charity and avoid having to report the distribution on your income tax return. For individuals who are charitable in nature and who do not itemize their deductions, this is a great planning opportunity.

The legislation also contains temporary relief from the alternative minimum tax. Under the new law, the alternative minimum tax exemption for a single individual has been raised to \$46,200 and for a married couple, \$69,950. Without this temporary fix, millions of Americans would have been subject to the alternative minimum tax. The tax was established in the 1960s to tax the very wealthy that were using certain shelters to avoid taxes. Because Congress never indexed the exemp-

tion to inflation, many middle-income people are now subject to the tax. The temporary fix will spare millions of this additional tax burden.

The education deduction that had expired has been extended for 2008-09. This deduction allows you to deduct \$4,000 in education expense for a child, spouse or even yourself, whether or not you itemize your deductions. To qualify for this, if you're single, your adjusted gross income must be \$80,000 or less, and if you're married, \$160,000 or less.

Another important temporary tax break extended to 2012 deals with forgiven mortgage debt. Under previous law, if a mortgage company forgave your mortgage debt, such as in a short sale, the debt was taxed as ordinary income. As foreclosures started to mount, Congress passed a temporary fix and this has been extended to 2012. Basically, for the majority of people, if your mortgage debt is forgiven, the money will not be taxed.

Other tax law changes included in the recent legislation include energy tax credits for home improvements and the extension of

the sales tax deduction. The sales tax deduction had expired in 2007 but now has been extended to 2008 and 2009. The \$500 property tax deduction for non-itemizers has also been extended to 2008.

I always tell individuals their goal is never to lower taxes but rather have more money in their pocket. In other words, don't let the tax tail wag the dog and don't do anything for tax reasons alone. However, that does not mean we do not want to take advantage of the laws available to us.

Take the opportunity to see if any apply to you and take advantage of the changes. Taxes are a necessary evil, however, it is not more patriotic to pay more money in taxes than you must. The key is to be smart about taxes and to make sure the tax laws work for you.

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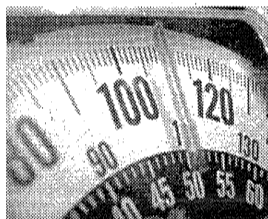
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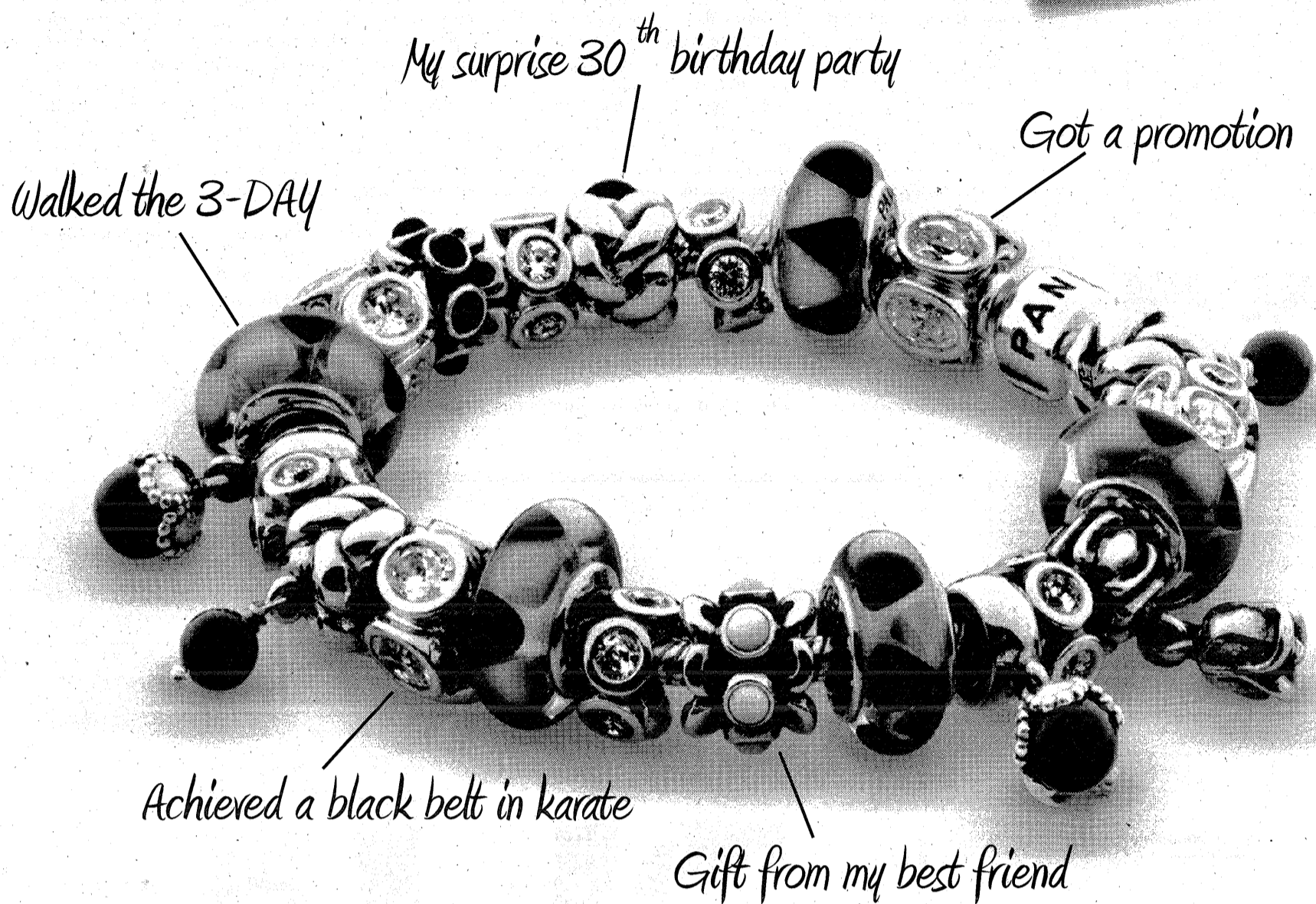
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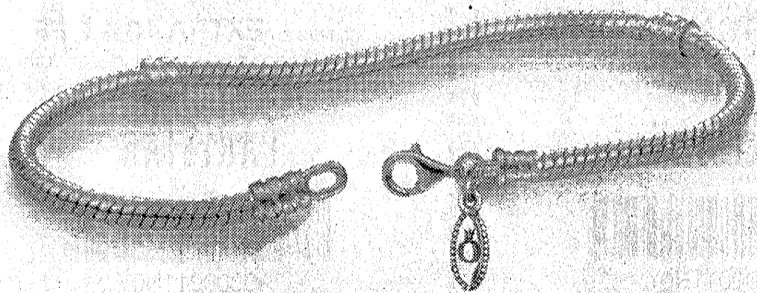
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State Rep. Marc Corriveau has proven that he can make tough decisions and stand by them, and I applaud that kind of integrity in an elected official.

Marc has worked tirelessly, meeting with the people in this community and listening to their concerns and suggestions. He has made difficult decisions, using sensible review and consideration of all aspects of the impact of the decisions.

He takes his responsibility to this community seriously, and it shows in his results. Marc showed courage and tenacity in representing the Northville residents in the Livonia annexation situation. He demonstrated reason, sensibility and true collaboration and cooperation in aligning his colleagues to enhance support.

Marc listens to my concerns about health care issues and he always researches the issues that he addresses. He consistently demonstrates his interest to make sure that WE THE PEOPLE always come first.

Vote for a real leader on Nov. 4 — vote for Marc Corriveau.

Joanne Lamar
Plymouth Township

Supports Reaume

I have met or listened to most of the candidates for Plymouth Township offices, which has reinforced my support for the re-election of Richard Reaume for Plymouth Township supervisor.

The township needs his experience and demonstrated progress as well as his professionalism and full-time attention as it continues to move forward, completing the Ann Arbor Road commercial development despite real estate market difficulties. Richard is aware that with a maturing area with decreasing room for new development, prudent redevelopment that is synergistic with the City of Plymouth will be the most beneficial for Plymouth Township.

I have lived in Plymouth Township for 25 years, and urge the re-election of Richard Reaume as supervisor.

Randy Jost
Plymouth Township

Vote for Plakas

The reader who wrote that Joe Barone has more local support than Jim Plakas forgot to mention that Plakas is endorsed by none other

than Judge John McDonald, the 35th District judge whose seat the candidates are competing to fill.

This endorsement says more to me than all the others combined.

Why?

Because, according to the reader who wrote that letter, Barone has appeared in the 35th District Court "4.5 times more than Plakas," yet McDonald, who has seen them both more than any other judge on the court, has made it clear he wants Plakas, not Barone, to take his seat.

It doesn't get more local than that.

Larry Leo
Plymouth

Plakas the choice

I read with interest a recent letter to the editor suggesting that Joe Barone is more "local" than Jim Plakas.

Not only is this inaccurate, but it's also a poor attempt to draw attention away from the fact that Plakas is clearly the more qualified candidate.

Plakas has 13 years of experience on both sides of the aisle. He's been a prosecutor and a criminal defense attorney, and his track record shows that he is strong and fair.

Barone, on the other hand, has only seen things from the criminal defendant's side. What will he do when faced with punishing someone who has committed a crime in our district? Nobody knows because he's never had to do it. And I, for one, don't want him figuring it out as he goes.

Mary Breen
trustee, Schoolcraft College
Plymouth

Supports Corriveau

As founder and co-chair of the Michigan Alliance for Special Education, I have to second and third the *Plymouth Observer's* endorsement of first-term Rep. Marc Corriveau, D-Northville, for the Michigan House of Representatives.

Marc not only represents his district, but has shown a keen understanding of his elected authority as a bipartisan legislator and "vote" to represent the entire state of Michigan. Marc Corriveau is also unusually passionate about not only public education in Michigan, but also our 250,000 students with disabilities.

Marc was among the earliest supporters of H.B. 5323 that passed

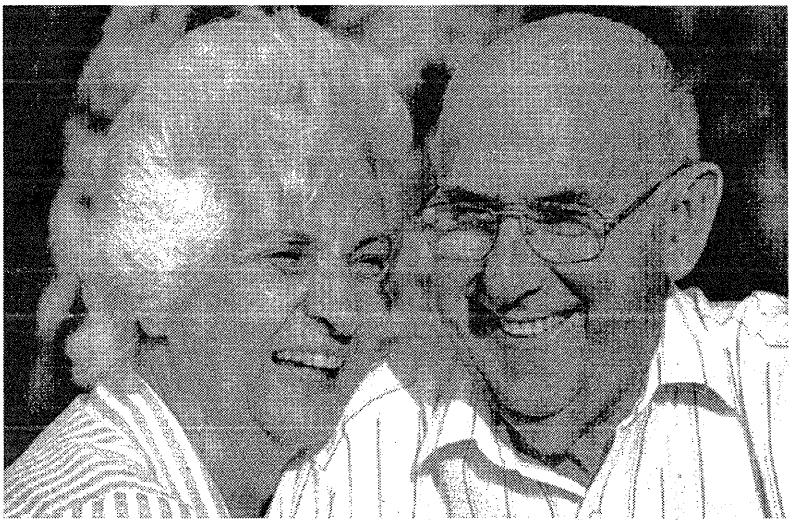
the House 88-20 in June (now sitting with Sen. Kuipers, Senate Education Committee), a bill that if passed will restore the state Board of Education's elected authority over the Michigan laws that guide and govern our Michigan Special Education Administrative Rules.

Marc Corriveau is willing and ready to meet with not only his constituent, but with concerned and caring Michiganders across the state and that is clearly not the position of all 110 members of the House.

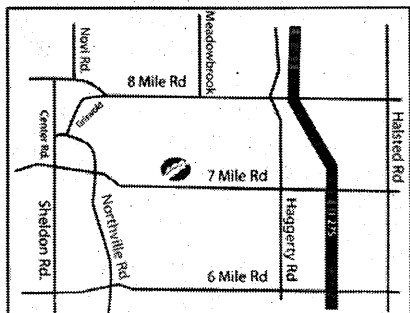
Everyone in District 20 should vote to re-elect Marc Corriveau and with only one concern in mind: When elected to his second term, Marc will have only one term remaining, due to the regressive and restrictive term limits that have crippled Michigan since 1992. This writer and Michigander can only hope we will finally have a ballot initiative in 2010 to eliminate term limits and allow dedicated, bright and passionate legislators like Marc Corriveau to serve at our will, by our vote and not by a constitutional amendment drowning Michigan in our own Great Lakes.

Marcie Lipsitt
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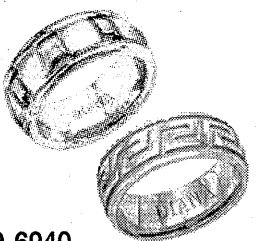


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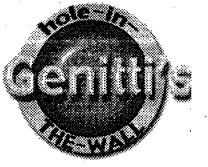
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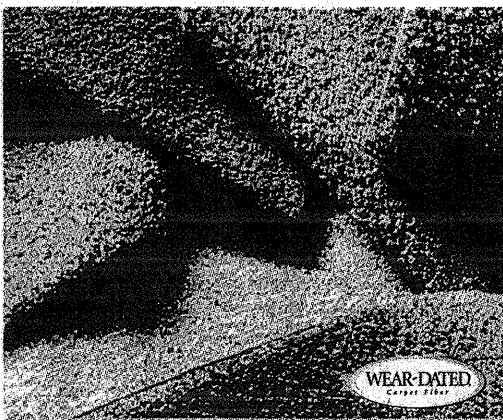


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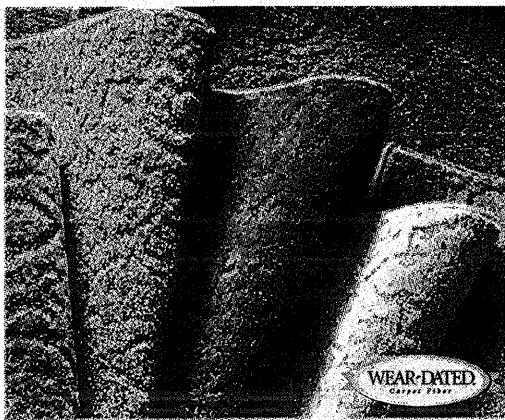
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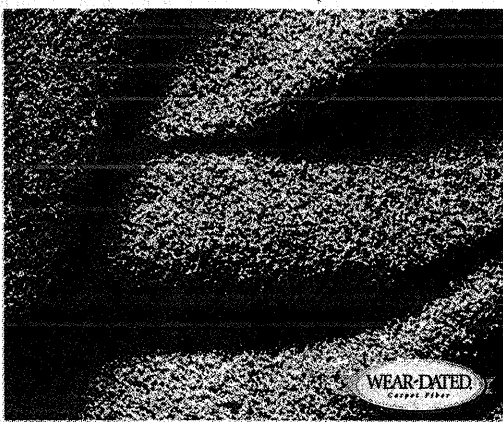
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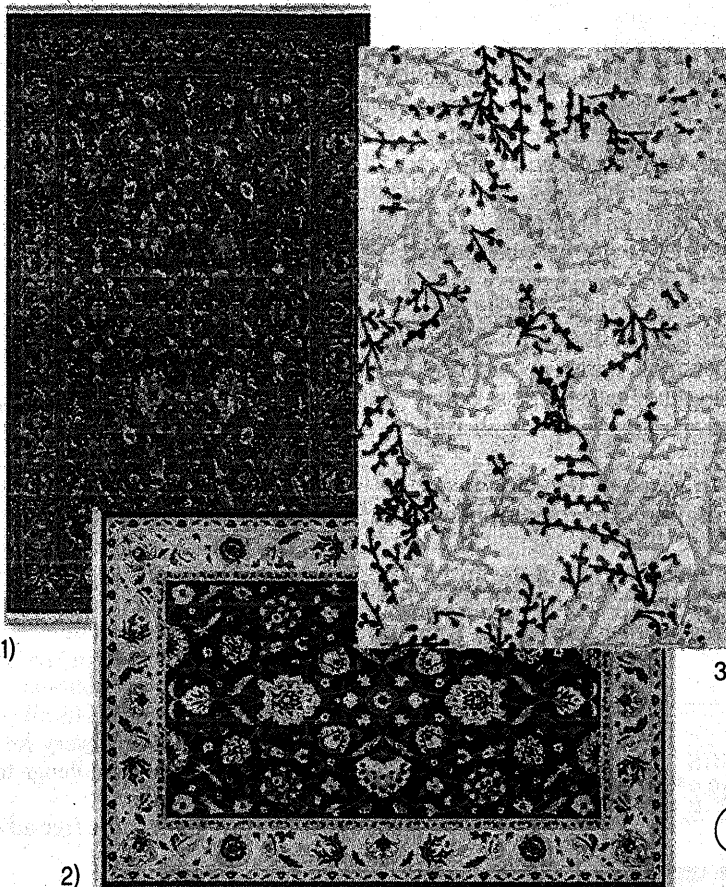
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OUR VIEWS

Edwards our pick for treasurer

Ron Edwards is a polarizing figure in Plymouth Township politics, the consummate politician who engenders either love or loathing, and not much in the middle.

But Edwards, the incumbent township treasurer seeking a fourth term in the Nov. 4 general election, is also skilled at the crux of what he does. We believe voters should indeed give him that fourth term.

From a professional standpoint, Edwards obviously gets the job done. He has earned several municipal finance awards in recent years, this year became a certified public finance officer, he has streamlined the office, including reorganizing in 1999 to get rid of the finance department, and the township audit comes out clean every year. His critics would point out lead auditor Joe Heffernan contributes to Edwards' (and others) campaign, but there's never been any evidence Plante & Moran's audits are anything but above-board.

Edwards keeps a close eye on interest rates, the stock market and anything else that affects the township's investments, which have earned some \$12 million in interest during Edwards' tenure.

He pushed some years ago to get Plymouth Community firefighters trained in Advanced Life Support, worked to get the sprayscape built in the township park and to get Lake Pointe Soccer Park finished. He runs the Good Ol' Fashioned Picnic every year, and this year brought fireworks back to the area for the first time in a decade, a display that drew rave reviews.

Of course, that's the professional side of Edwards. There's also the political side, which draws much more angst from people. Edwards is perceived as too involved in other areas of the township. He should work to dispel that notion by returning to the clerk's office any accounting functions he's been performing for the current clerk and by withdrawing himself from anything but the treasurer's statutory role in the budget development process.

Edwards also needs to realize the word "city" isn't a four-letter word. With shrinking budgets and a burgeoning need to do things smarter, it doesn't help to antagonize City of Plymouth officials. Most of the residents of this community think of it as one Plymouth; its elected officials must take the same tone.

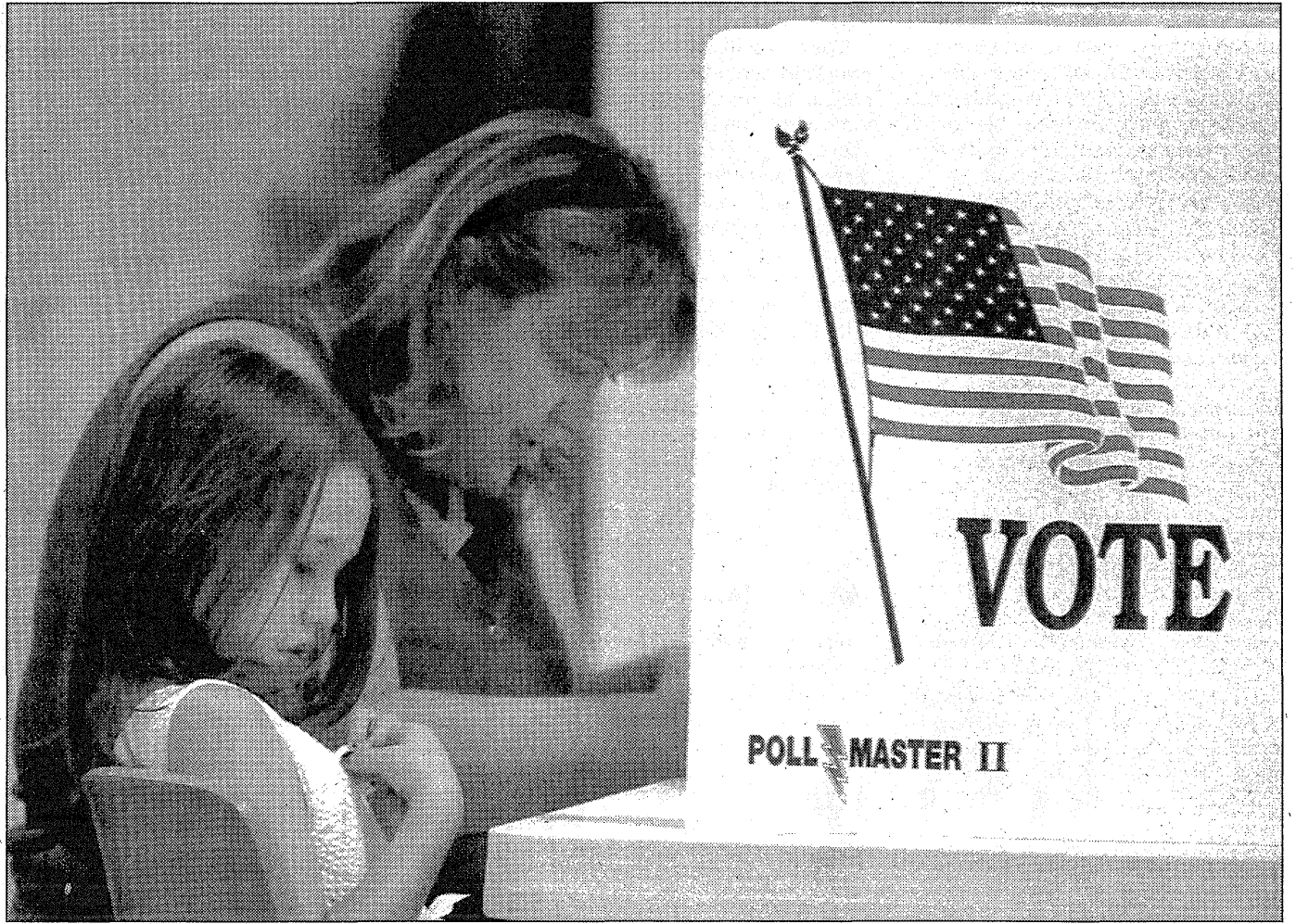
Edwards' opponent, independent candidate Richard Sharland, is a Plymouth native who obviously cares deeply about his community. There's no other explanation for his willingness to sit at township board meetings or travel to Lansing to watch State Tax Commission and State Assessors Board meetings. Sharland's plan to trim the treasurer and supervisor's jobs to part time and hire a professional manager might draw some interest on a new Board of Trustees, but it's unlikely to fly unless economic times improve.

While Sharland's down-home charm and love of community are refreshing, we don't think it's wise, in these economic times, to move away from a treasurer who has — love him or loathe him — produced results.

We believe voters should return Ron Edwards to his job in the Nov. 4 election.



Edwards



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Six-year-old Emma O'Beirne of Westland looks at her voting sticker, as her mother, Amy O'Beirne, casts her vote in the primary election. This will be an historic election and everyone is encouraged to exercise their right to vote.

OUR VIEWS

McCotter is the better choice in 11th District race

These are troubled times. Our economy is in shambles. The stock market is a perilous roller coaster. We are committed to two war fronts. Voters are worried about their jobs, health care, retirement, educational opportunities.



McCotter

In the presidential election, both major candidates are promising change from the unpopular policies of President George W. Bush. Many congressional Republicans are also distancing themselves from their sitting president, even though many were enthusiastic supporters of his initiatives.

Democrats have reason to be optimistic about retaining their majority in the U.S. House and picking up seats in the House and Senate.

But Michigan's 11th Congressional District has been a safe seat for Republican incumbent Thaddeus McCotter. He hasn't been challenged by an experienced political figure

since his first campaign in 2002 against then-Redford Township Supervisor Kevin Kelley. This year is no different.

This year McCotter's Democratic opponent, Joseph Larkin, is a Livonia attorney with no government experience. He offers basic Democratic talking points and seems honestly concerned about the war in Iraq and the foreclosure problems. But he has a superficial understanding of some issues and no record of government service that would suggest that he could play a meaningful role in Congress.

McCotter is a bright, articulate man, who comes prepared to interviews with some complex and nuanced positions and observations on national issues and politics. He sees himself as a true conservative and, as chair of the Republican House Policy Committee, he helps the party set its conservative agenda. In that role, he was one of the leaders of a House Republican revolt against the Bush bank rescue plan. His voting record though has gen-

erally been supportive of Bush and Republican positions. An organization that tracks members of Congress rates him as rank-and-file, meaning he usually votes with his party. But as a member from southeast Michigan, he also votes the district on issues involving trade, the auto industry and minimum wage.

We are often bothered by McCotter's rhetoric, in his House speeches, his columns and interviews in conservative media and his press releases. He'll often label domestic positions he opposes with a pejorative use of the loaded word "socialist" and has labeled those who oppose his foreign policy positions as "appeasers." As someone who speaks about working with members of the other party, he needs to tone down his rhetoric.

Given his intelligence, his flexibility on issues of local importance, his broad legislative experience, his regular presence in the district and his constituent service, we support the re-election of Thaddeus McCotter for a fourth term.

10th District: Cox gets nod for county commission

The 10th District county commission race features incumbent Republican Laura Cox facing Democrat Susan Clark to represent Livonia, Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Northville and Northville Township.

Clark, a certified public accountant, points out that none of the 15 commissioners is a CPA. That experience could help the commission as Clark would like a review of programs and restructuring of spending, but she doesn't want to eliminate programs for the sake of a balanced budget. Clark said the county commission needs to be a stronger player in county government.

Cox had made her efforts to get more parks millage money back to the city of Livonia one of the foundations of her campaign. Cox wants to secure parks millage funding for a pedestrian walkway in Hines Park along Sheldon Road which will connect Northville Township and the City of Northville. The Livonia Veterans Memorial Park was one project for which she helped secure parks funds, along with the Waterford Bend Comfort Station preservation, a community portable stage, and pool enhancements for the public outdoor facilities in Livonia.

Cox believes difficult decisions will need to be made on county services for the \$2.2 billion budget. Her public safety background makes her a strong advocate for budget requests from the sheriff and prosecutor. Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano's call for a 10 percent reduction in county departments was a good starting point in cutting the budget, Cox said, but she believes more money should have been given to the sheriff's department to forestall a deficit.

She supports economic growth through reducing taxes, employing smart growth patterns, and providing economic incentives.

Cox has shown that she has an understanding of the importance of bringing tax dollars back to the five communities she represents. We believe Cox deserves another term as the 10th District county commissioner.



Cox

FROM THE WEB

Here's a look at what readers are saying about stories on our Web site, www.hometownlife.com:

■ In response to "McCotter led fight against Bush financial plan:" springfieldxd9 wrote:

"Duplicate ballots are being received by people. If you have one contact the Bureau of Elections at (517) 373-2540, let them know that you have received a duplicate ballot and what do you do about them. I got mine Saturday."

possecomitatus wrote: "Unlike Congressman Defazio and Congresswoman Kaptur who objected to the bailout on principle, I suspect McCotter is just trying to save his butt like he always does. He's a rat that knows the ship is going down."

onewestsider wrote: "I certainly believe McCotter's days are numbered. Some politicians can't back-pedal fast enough. His allegiance to Bush has been faltering every since he realized Larkin will be a challenge to McCotter reelection plans. "How many more free advertising can

politicians get in? For years we've been hearing about the prescription plan from the Attorney General, obviously free advertising for the Mrs."

■ In response to "Letters to the Editor," chickenfight wrote:

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- Craig Fiegel, Plymouth-Canton Schools superintendent, on his district becoming the state's third-largest, behind only Detroit and Utica

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Hopefuls square off in treasurer's race

Incumbent: 'Look at my record'

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Ron Edwards is seeking his fourth term as Plymouth Township's treasurer and, like many long-term politicians, he points to the one reason he believes he should be returned to office:

His record.

Edwards, first elected in 1996, believes he has helped the township on several fronts and he wants to keep working to continue the progress.

"I've brought a lot of integrity to the financial accounting of Plymouth Township," Edwards said. "I like what I do, I enjoy the people of this community and I want to continue to help it grow."

Programs and projects he says he's helped home include an automatic water bill payment plan ("We're one of only seven communities in the state who do it"); improvements, including the popular Sprayscape, at Plymouth Township Park; building Lakepoint Soccer Park; the building of the new township hall, including new homes for the police and fire departments; and connecting the community through sidewalks.

"That's a huge thing now, connecting neighborhoods, and we were doing it 12 years ago," Edwards said. "With higher energy costs, more people are walking or bicycling."

Edwards points to finan-

THE EDWARDS FILE

- Who: Ron Edwards
- What: Running for Plymouth Township Treasurer
- Currently: The incumbent treasurer
- Family: Married to Mary Pat for 29 years; four children
- In the community: Co-founder of Good Ol' Fashioned Picnic; organized Fourth of July fireworks display



cial gains the township has made in his tenure. In 1999, he reorganized the township's financial structure, getting rid of the old finance director and consolidating those duties. He's also helped rewrite the township investment policy. In his 12 years, Edwards said, township investments have earned some \$12.2 million in interest income.

"It's about earning interest and saving the taxpayers taxes," Edwards said. "Financially, if you look at what we have today, we've done a great job."

Edwards offered opinions on other township issues:

■ Recreation - "I don't want to get rid of the (Hilltop) golf course, but I would like to change it. Maybe a recreation center, with an outdoor pool, with a quality restaurant that would make it a good place to go. That would expand the park (Plymouth Township park, which is adjacent to the course) a little bit."

■ Streamlining - "Reorganizing in 2000 eliminated three jobs and saved

the township \$1.2 million. We've streamlined all over the township. Everything is off, and when business falls off, you have to do it with fewer people. Look at the finances of the township. Who's doing better? Other communities have had to make drastic cuts. We're down people, but we haven't had to make drastic cuts."

■ City vs. township - "I think the relationship works, but I'm looking to build Plymouth Township. I'm looking out for Plymouth Township. We're bringing events to the township, like the Fourth of July fireworks, which wouldn't have been possible, by the way, without the Wilcox Foundation."

Edwards said if voters look at his tenure, the decision to return him to office should be an easy one.

"Look at my record, look what I've done," he said. "I've been very involved in this community. My record speaks for itself."

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Challenger: Township 'needs change'

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The last time Richard Sharland ran for political office - for Plymouth Township constable in 1964 - he lost by a single vote when the wife of his opponent cast her ballot for her husband.

Sharland, a native of Plymouth who first moved into the house in which he now lives in 1943, hopes to do a little better in his second go-around.

Sharland is on the Nov. 4 general election ballot challenging incumbent Republican treasurer Ron Edwards, who was first elected in 1996. Sharland, who passed up a chance to get into the Republican primary, decided to try it this way for one simple reason.

"No one was running against (Edwards)," said Sharland, who has been a regular at township board meetings for the bulk of the last five years. "I thought he needed a challenge, and I figure I know as much about what's going on in the township as anyone."

Sharland believes he has the experience to fill the job based on his career owning and running a turkey farm, Gottschalk Turkey Farm in Plymouth. And, while he's never held elected office, he's been involved in government in one aspect or another for years. He served on the Matteson (Mich.) Township planning commission and

THE SHARLAND FILE

- Who: Richard Sharland
- What: Running for Plymouth Township Treasurer
- Currently: Farmer and licensed builder
- Family: Married to Emilie for 39 years; two daughters
- Education: Attended Michigan State University for a year; attended Schoolcraft College
- In the community: Coordinates Plymouth Old-Timers Picnic; life member, Plymouth Historical Society



Zoning Board of Appeals, he's been on the Branch County Farm Bureau and was the Wayne County Farm Bureau president for four years. In addition to attending Plymouth Township board meetings, Sharland travels to Lansing for State Tax Commission and State Assessors Board meetings.

"I had to manage the money on my farm," said Sharland. "Farmers use a lot of capital, we have to budget for our expenses. We probably handle just as much actual cash as the township treasurer does."

Sharland targeted Edwards because, he says, "(Edwards) runs the township" from the treasurer's office.

"He does the supervisor's job, and I think he's doing much of the accounting the clerk is supposed to do," Sharland said. "I think (Edwards) accounts for the (township's) money, but I think there's secrecy in the township. I think we need some change."

If Sharland gets elected, and if he can get the votes to support

his idea, he may not have the job long. Sharland believes both the supervisor and treasurer positions should be cut to part-time, and the township should hire a professional manager.

"It might be better to have a professional office," Sharland said. "(But) I think the financial situation is serious enough we might not be able to afford to do that."

Sharland offered opinions on other issues:

■ Recreation - "The (township-owned Hilltop) golf course has become a burden. I don't like to see government in private enterprise. I think we could convert the golf course into a bigger park. I'd like to see part of it converted to a cemetery. The township doesn't have a cemetery."

■ The audit - "I'd like to bring in an outside auditor. The state does it. Our current lead auditor makes political contributions to (Edwards)."

Sharland said he plans to make the government something he doesn't think it is now: Open to the people."

OLD VILLAGE

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Paul Murphy, owner of Blue Fish Music, started his business on Starkweather 3½ years ago and even expanded it last year.

"There's a vibe about Old Village, it's unpretentious," said Murphy. "Although you prefer a location like downtown, once you're established

people seek you out.

"Business in Old Village is much more stable than when I first opened," he said. "It used to be we'd have a cycle of old antique shops that didn't have longevity to them. Crawford's Kitchen, Heidi's Flowers and Station 885 have been here a long time. And, businesses moving in (Sweet Street confectionary and Liberty Street Brewery) seem to be lasting and that's a good sign of a more stable

community."

Restaurateur Rob Costanza, owner of Station 885 on Starkweather, said the OVA was recently rekindled to help the neighborhood survive current economic times with events like this weekend's Halloween party, the classic car show and fun festival in the summer and Old Village-wide yard sale which help raise a few dollars for OVA projects.

"We want to give back to

the community with functions like this Sunday, which are mainly free events with nominal charges for kids to play games," said Costanza. "It's a nice way to get the business owners involved with the community, a win-win for both parties."

"We make a couple hundred dollars and use it for beautification of the area, like planting trees in the boulevard, planting flowers and pulling weeds," he said. "It's

all we have to work with for a few months, so we stretch it as far as we can."

Costanza admits he'd like to see the city administration give as much attention to Old Village as it does to Kellogg Park and downtown Plymouth.

"It would be nicer if they showed the same type of care they do in the downtown area; we pay city taxes, too," said Costanza. "I know Main Street and downtown

wouldn't have weeds growing in it.

"We know the Downtown Development Authority allocates money and takes a lot of care, that's why great things are happening downtown," he said. "We want to follow suit and make historic Old Village a destination place like downtown Plymouth and compete for that same kind of visitor."

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Kids 4 and older are invited to bring your favorite Raggedy Ann and Andy dolls and join in the fun as the Detroit Children's Museum celebrates the 90th anniversary of the classic "Raggedy Ann Stories" 1:30-3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 8.

Illustrator and writer Johnny Gruelle created the "Raggedy Ann doll" in 1915 for his ailing daughter Marcella. Raggedy Ann was introduced to the public in 1918 in the book written by Gruelle. Her brother, Raggedy Andy,

debuted in a sequel in 1920. The celebration includes tours of a special exhibit featuring vintage Raggedy Ann memorabilia from the Museum's collection, group games, sing-a-long songs; a Raggedy Ann story and puppet making activity led by Museum art teacher Lana Hardin, a Show and Tell Parade, prize drawings and more.

Admission for the full program is \$5 per child for non-members; and \$3 per child for

members. Pre-registration is required for all programs and activities. Call (313) 873-8100 for reservations information.

Also scheduled is the monthly Planetarium Show with Carrie Zaitz. Kids age 4 and older, and their adult chaperones, will enjoy the "Starry Night Sky" at 12:30 p.m. Passes are distributed before show time, on a first come basis, beginning at noon to 12:20 p.m. Seating is limited. The museum is just south of the New Center area at 6134 Second Avenue, between Amsterdam and Burroughs. Look for "Silverbolt," the auto bumper horse, on the front lawn. Hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday-Friday, and noon to 4 p.m., the second Saturday of each month, October - May.

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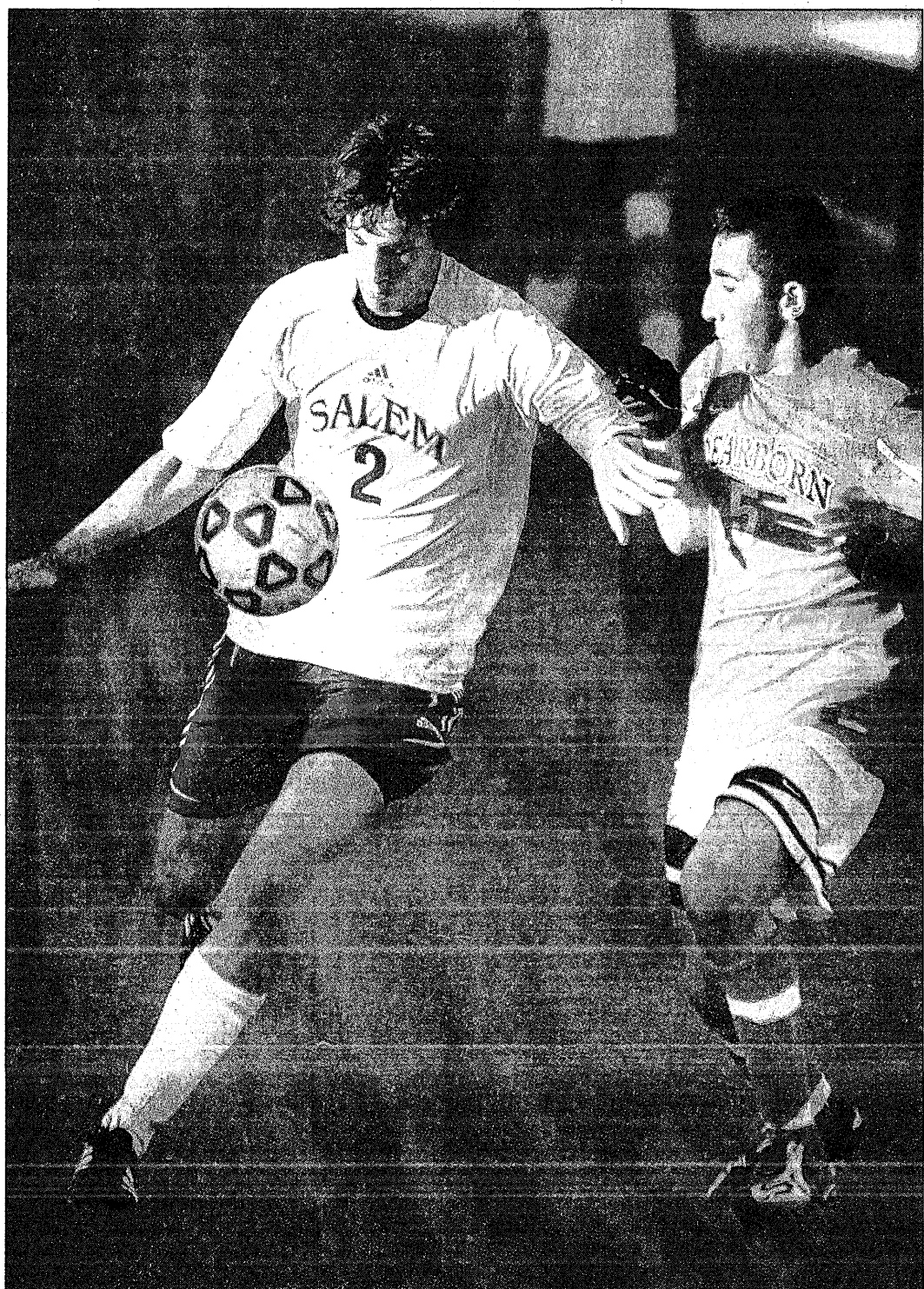
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Salem's Sal Savage (left) fends off the defensive efforts of Dearborn's Norman Orabi during Tuesday's Division 1 Regional semifinal match at Saline. The Rocks won, 4-0, to advance to Saturday's Regional final against the host Hornets.

STILL ROCKIN'

Salem dominates Dearborn to advance to Regional final

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Playing against the No. 1-ranked Salem boys soccer team these days is like swimming with sharks.

Once the Rocks taste blood, opponents are usually cooked.

The trend continued Tuesday night in Saline when Salem inflicted its first wound — a Scott O'Connor goal — just over 10 minutes into its Division 1 Regional semifinal against Dearborn and never looked back on the way to a 4-0 triumph.

The win improved Salem's record to 22-0-4 heading into Saturday's 7 p.m. Regional final against host Saline.

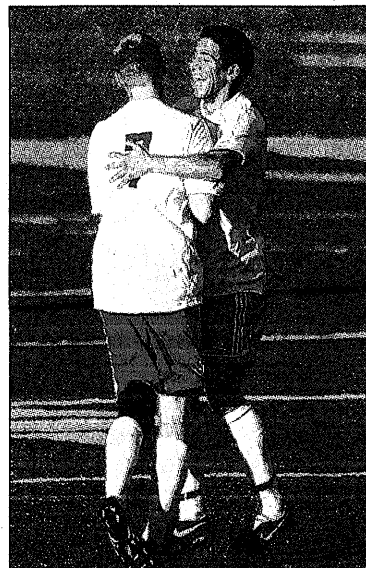
The shutout was the 11th of the season for Salem goalkeeper Sasa Miskovic, who said he considers himself lucky to be wearing royal blue and white.

"I'm thankful I'm playing on this team and not playing *against* it, that's for sure," a smiling Miskovic said a few moments after Tuesday night's game concluded. "I play club soccer on the Wolves with Kevin Cope, so we're comfortable with how each other plays."

"It's a great team to play for and Ed's a great coach."

Even though Dearborn came in with a lesser record (17-4-1) and plays in a less-renowned league (Mega Red), Miskovic said he and his teammates' intensity level remained high.

"Our coach always talks about being prepared all the time because you never know," the junior said. "We never back down or let up."



Salem's Jace Bearden (back to camera) and Mohammad Pourmandi celebrate Bearden's first-half goal.

Ten minutes after O'Connor's goal, the Rocks executed one of the more picturesque goals you'll ever see.

After controlling the ball in the midfield, Josh Pascarella slid the ball in space to Mohammad Pourmandi along the right sideline. Pourmandi advanced the ball toward the corner before unleashing a bending pass in front to Jace Bearden, who ripped a right-footed one-timer past Pioneer net-minder Ramee Naja to make it 2-0.

"Mo did a great job of taking it down to the flank and serving a perfect ball to one of our top players in

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Sidelines

Ignition names Johnson coach

The Detroit Ignition have named veteran defender Matt Johnson head coach, the club announced today. Johnson has been a member of the Ignition since its inaugural 2006-07 campaign, and has served as the club's assistant coach for two seasons. Brighton resident Druo Callahan will step into Johnson's former role as player/assistant coach. Per club policy, financial terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

"Matt has brought an invaluable amount of leadership to our team over the past two seasons," Ignition Vice President of Business Operations Lindsey Gamrod said. "He has a great coaching mind and relates well to the players, and we're thrilled to welcome him into this new position."

Ignition tryouts

The Xtreme Soccer League's Detroit Ignition will hold open tryouts from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, at High Velocity Sports, which is located at 46245 Michigan Ave. in Canton.

The tryouts will give area talent and international players alike an opportunity to compete for a spot on the team's 2008-09 roster.

Following the tryouts, a select group of participants will be asked to return to an invitation-only combine slated for Nov. 22 and 23 at High Velocity Sports.

To register or to get more information, contact Mark McNulty at (248) 304-2855, ext. 1264, or visit www.detroitignition.com.

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The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools are seeking a wrestling coach at Central Middle School. Interested candidates should contact Mark LaPointe at (734) 416-6172.

Slavens, Heldmeyer are Cats' dynamic duo

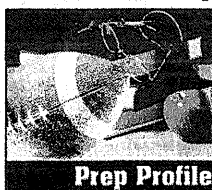
BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A day without running isn't necessarily like a day without sunshine for four-year Plymouth cross country standouts Beth Heldmeyer and Molly Slavens, but it's close.

"People will ask me, 'How can you run so much?'" said Heldmeyer, who excels in softball for the Wildcats in the spring. "I'm like, 'How can you *not*?' During softball season, I don't get to run much, and I feel awful. I'm so much more awake and alert during cross-country season."

"Running has become like breathing to me," Slavens concurred. "I can't imagine a day without it."

The duo's passion for running is reflected in their stellar accomplishments over the past four years. At Saturday's Division 1 Regional meet, Heldmeyer will be gunning for her third straight trip to the D1 state meet at Michigan International Speedway and Slavens will be chasing her



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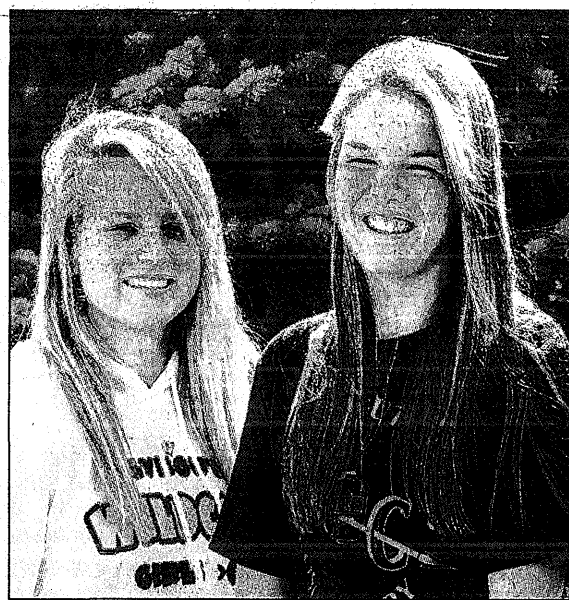
second consecutive state-meet berth.

Slavens and Heldmeyer finished seventh and 12th, respectively, at last weekend's 12-team Kensington Conference meet.

Ideally, they'll be making the trek to MIS with all of their teammates. The Wildcats are one of the favorites to advance as a team, but first they have to place in the top three at Saturday's Regional — a feat they missed achieving by an agonizingly close margin last fall.

"Last year, I was happy in a way because I qualified for the state meet for the first time, but I was sad at the same time because the team didn't make it," said Slavens. "We had worked so hard and we were so close (the Wildcats placed fourth)."

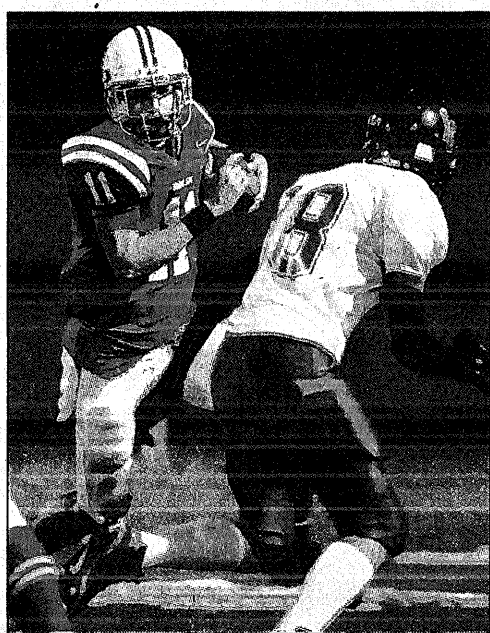
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Senior captains Beth Heldmeyer and Molly Slavens have been four-year standouts for the Plymouth cross country team.

Salem quarterback Heath Parling, pictured running the ball against Livonia Churchill Friday night, is closing out his third year on the varsity for the Rocks.



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Multi-talented Parling: solid as a Rock

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

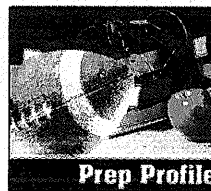
Heath Parling took three long strides then launched his body Superman-like — horizontal with arms extended — into the path of Livonia Churchill's potential game-clinching field goal attempt Friday night.

The ball slammed into Parling's body before bouncing harmlessly away, keeping Salem's football team within six points with just over five minutes to play.

Not a bad play for a *quarterback*.

"I blocked it with my head, so it didn't hurt," Parling said, smiling, while recalling the play Monday afternoon. "I'm usually not out there on field goal block, but coach Murray told me to stay out there for that play. It's the first time I've blocked a kick since I started playing football as a little kid."

Parling has been a jack-of-all-trades — and a mas-



Prep Profile

ter of most of them — for the Rocks this season. Along with handling the QB duties, he's a starting outside linebacker and, yes, part-time special-teams standout.

"Heath is the kind of prototypical player that you want to build a program around," said Salem coach Parker Salowich. "It's been fun to watch him mature into a leader the past three years. He's just a quality young man who has really stepped up for us this season, playing offense and defense."

"After he blocked the field goal, he got up and ran over to me to get the next play for the offense. To have the mental toughness to do something like

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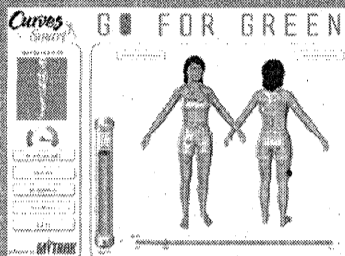
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JACE THE ACE

Bearden spearheads Salem kickers' District title effort

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Most teams rely on their ace during crunch time of do-or-die showdowns.

During Saturday's Division 1 District final soccer game at the PCEP stadium, Salem turned to its Jace.

Senior captain Jace Bearden, who has been slowed most of the season by a nagging knee injury, knocked home the clinching goal in a tension-packed shoot-out to give the No. 1-ranked Rocks a 2-1 victory over a determined Livonia Churchill contingent.

Bearden also assisted on the Rocks' lone regulation goal, handled most of his team's pivotal throw-ins and provided stellar defensive support in a game played under Salem blue skies.

"Honestly, I was pretty nervous," Bearden said, recalling his emotions seconds before his shoot-out kick. "But I knew I had to do it. It's my senior year and I didn't want this to be my last game."

Salem will take its 21-0-4 record into Tuesday's 5 p.m. Regional semifinal contest at Saline High School. Churchill finished 16-4-1.

The five-shots-per-team shoot-out became necessary when the two teams were deadlocked at 1-all following 80 minutes of regulation play

and two sudden-victory 15-minute overtimes.

The Rocks nearly won in regulation, however, Charger senior forward Andrew Sieber steered in a sliding rebound shot from the doorstep with nine seconds left in the second half to keep his team alive.

Salem buried its first four shoot-out shots while Churchill canned three of four, putting the Rocks' No. 5 shooter — Bearden — in the position to be the hero.

When his shot found the top right corner of the net past the diving fingertips of Churchill keeper Christian Adams, a smiling Bearden sprinted away from the goal, raising a No. 1 sign with his right hand, before getting engulfed by his ecstatic teammates.

"If it wasn't for Jace, we probably don't win today," said Salem coach Ed McCarthy.

"No. 1, his throw-ins were very, very dangerous today and he created a lot of opportunities for us. Having him back in the line-up changed the game completely."

After Salem carried the play for a good chunk of the first half, Churchill turned the tables during the second 40 minutes and the overtimes.

The Rocks seized a 1-0 lead with 3:59 left in the first half when Bearden fired a perfect throw-in from the east sideline that bounced once off a Salem

player's chest before Lachlan Savage controlled the ball and rifled a low sizzler past Charger net-keeper Adrian Motta.

The Chargers applied relentless pressure throughout the second half. It finally paid off with nine ticks left when Sieber finished in front.

"The fact that we got to go in the locker room not long after they scored was good because it allowed for their momentum to die down," said McCarthy. "The message we gave the guys was simple: 'If we would have told you early this week that you'd be going into overtime in the District final you'd take it, right?' Everybody would have taken it."

"We prepared all season for those overtimes with all the fitness work we do at practice. You never like to give up a goal with nine seconds left, but fortunately everything worked out well for us."

Matt Regan nearly won the game in the first OT for Churchill, but his hard, hooking shot from 25 yards out was deflected away at the last millisecond with a diving save by Salem keeper Sasa Miskovic.

Charger junior defender Adam Bedell played well throughout the contest as did Salem back-liners Kevin Cope and Matt Calupina.

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the air, and Jace did a great job of finishing," said McCarthy.

"That goal was like a dagger because I was confident we weren't going to give up two tonight. Plus, because it was such a great goal, I think it stung Dearborn a little more."

Bearden struck again just over two minutes later when his low scorcher found the lower front-left corner of the net to make it

3-0.

Dearborn mounted a pair of threats over the next six minutes, but couldn't finish. With 16:35 to play in the first half, Hamoody Saad hit the cross-bar with a laser.

Saad nearly struck again, but his uncontested shot from 14 yards out was snuffed out by a diving Miskovic.

"Dearborn was a dangerous team," McCarthy stressed. "They hit the post a couple of times. If one of those goes in, it could have changed the game completely."

Alex Tramel deposited a frost-

ing-on-the-cake goal past Pioneer back-up goalie Bilal Jawad at the 31:47 mark of the second half.

The Rocks played without senior mid-fielder Jeremy Stoychoff, who suffered a leg injury with four minutes left in Saturday's District final victory over Livonia Churchill.

Stoychoff's availability for Saturday's Regional final is questionable.

A victory on Saturday would propel Salem into the Oct. 29 semifinal round.

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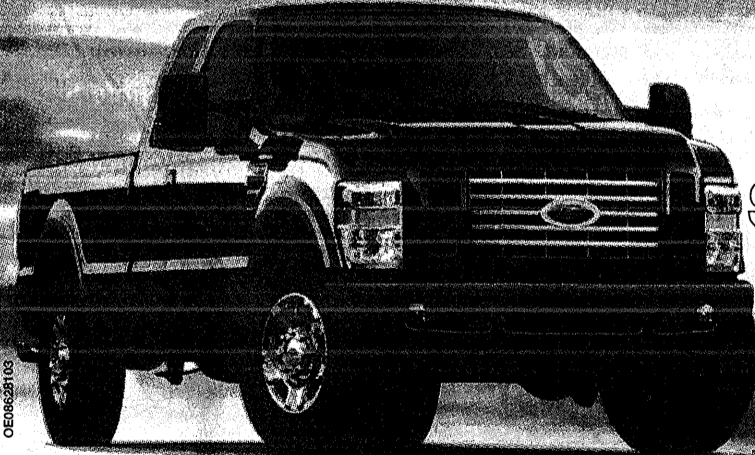
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Whalers topple Generals in shootout, 4-3

Ryan Hayes and A.J. Jenks scored shootout goals and goaltender Matt Hackett stopped the two shootout attempts he faced as the Plymouth Whalers defeated the Oshawa Generals, 4-3, in an Ontario Hockey League game played Saturday night at Compuware Arena.

With the win, Plymouth gets to the .500 mark at 5-5-1-0. Oshawa is now 6-7-0-1.

The game featured no more than a one-goal differential the entire way. Monroe-native R.J. Mahalak (5th), Jordon O'Neill (2) and Kaine Geldart

(2) scored for Plymouth, while Jenks (Wolverine Lake), Leo Jenner and Patrick Lee contributed two assists apiece. League leading scorer John Tavares (14), Michael Del Zotto (2) and Brett Parnham (7) replied for Oshawa, with Del Zotto adding two assists.

After Mahalak (2:30) and Parnham (shorthanded at 17:05) traded first period goals, the Whalers took their first lead at 2-1 at 2:57 of the second period on O'Neill's point shot at 2:57. Del Zotto tied the game at 10:26 with a snap shot from the slot and Geldart gave the Whalers a 3-2 lead

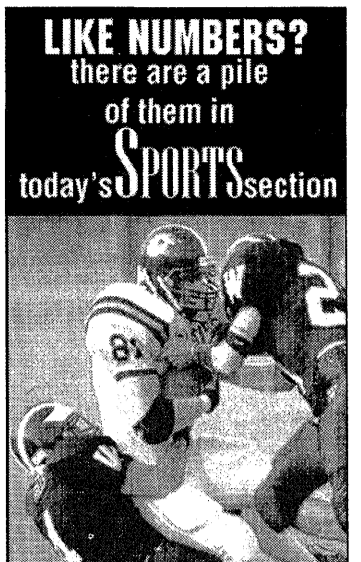
when he tipped Leo Jenner's point shot at 15:28. But Tavares scored at 16:55 to tie the game at 3-3 when he scored from the right wing with an accurate snap shot inside the far post.

After a scoreless third period and overtime, the Whalers won the game in the shootout when Hayes scored on a back hand stuff, top shelf under the cross bar and Jenks scored with a snap shot from the left hashmark that Oshawa goaltender Daryl Borden got a piece of, but the puck trickled over the line. Hackett stopped Del Zotto and Tavares on their shots.

"I saw his five-hole open up for a second and I went for it," Jenks said of his shootout goal. "I saw the puck trickling around in there. I didn't know if it was going to stop or keep going. I just kept watching it (the puck) and it slid over (the line)."

Plymouth outshot Oshawa, 35-31. The Whalers are off until next Saturday night when they host the top-ranked Windsor Spitfires at 7:05 p.m.

Tickets are available by calling the Compuware Arena box office at (734) 453-8400.



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- Washington at Detroit
- Cleveland at Jacksonville
- Cincinnati at Houston
- Seattle at San Francisco
- New York Giants at Pittsburgh

Monday, October 27, 2008

- Indianapolis at Tennessee

Grid season flies by way too fast for some teams

Can it really be the final week of the 2008 high school football regular season?



Tim Smith

Two-a-day workouts in humid August heat don't seem that long ago.

But all but a handful of teams will finish the year Friday or Saturday, as the calendar pages of the '08 football season peeled off faster than October leaves.

Already assured of playoff spots are six-win teams Livonia Stevenson, Canton, Redford Thurston and Livonia Clarenceville, while Livonia Franklin will need a victory Friday to join the club.

The others will be butting helmets for pride and to perhaps send a message that 2009 might be different.

Certainly, next season will be different for no other reason than the expected demise of the Mega Conference.

Talks are continuing that would form a circuit including teams from the northwest portion of the sprawling Mega, such as Thurston, Redford Union and Garden City.

Clarenceville will return in '09 for one more season of play in the Metro Conference, but the Trojans' long-term future also is to be determined.

Needless to say, prep football and autumn have a lot in common. Change happens.

As for the game of "Grid Picks" at the Observer, change must happen in Week 9 if the front-runner is to be knocked off his perch.

Yes, it will take a meltdown by the leader, Plymouth-Canton Sports Editor Ed Wright, to enable yours truly or Livonia-Westland Sports Editor Brad Emons to capture the championship.

Although all of us are coming off solid 9-3 weeks, Wright didn't lose any of his substantial lead. He takes a commanding 70-21 record into the finale — five games up on my 65-26 mark and six games better than Emons' 64-27 ledger.

So without further ado, let's take a glance at this week's slate of games.

FRIDAY'S GAMES (ALL START AT 7 P.M. UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

LIVONIA STEVENSON (6-2) AT LIVONIA CHURCHILL (3-5): The high-octane Spartans invade Churchill having scored 302 points this season. That doesn't bode well for the Chargers, who have had a tough time keeping other teams out of their end zone.

PICKS: Wright (Stevenson); Emons (Stevenson); Smith (Stevenson).

HARTLAND (6-2) AT LIVONIA FRANKLIN (5-3): Although Livonia Franklin is riding the crest of Friday's 17-10 victory over Northville, the visiting Eagles have smoked their last two opponents by a combined score of 61-18. The Pats need a win to qualify for the playoffs.

PICKS: Wright (Franklin); Emons (Franklin); Smith (Hartland).

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN (3-5) AT WALLED LAKE WESTERN (6-2): It's been an up-and-down season for the Rockets, who lost 22-7 to South Lyon last week. It won't be easy to have an "up" in the finale against the host Warriors, a dominant force in the KLAAs-North.

PICKS: Wright (Western); Emons (Western); Smith (Western).

WALLED LAKE CENTRAL (2-6) AT WAYNE (1-7): This KLAAs crossover features two teams having disappointing seasons. Only one of them will end the year enjoying the sweet taste of success.

PICKS: Wright (Central); Emons (Central); Smith (Central).

CANTON (7-1) AT SALEM (1-7): Plymouth-Canton Educational Park should be rocking Friday as these two rivals go head-to-head. Although the teams are going in opposite directions in the standings, the intensity level alone should make it at least a competitive contest.

PICKS: Wright (Canton); Emons (Canton); Smith (Canton).

PLYMOUTH (6-2) AT ROMULUS (3-5): Both teams are coming off lopsided defeats. Romulus, a member of the Mega Blue, fell to 7-1 Inkster, 55-15, while Plymouth was torched by Austin White and Stevenson, 46-18.

PICKS: Wright (Plymouth); Emons (Plymouth); Smith (Plymouth).

GRID PICKS

THURSTON (6-2, 6-0) AT REDFORD UNION (3-5, 2-4): This annual battle for Redford Township bragging rights — and a trophy — will pit the playoff-bound Eagles against RU, playing for nothing but pride. Thurston will try to stay hot entering the postseason. Meanwhile, the host Panthers should be pumped to try and take a bite out of their rivals.
PICKS: Wright (Thurston); Emons (Thurston); Smith (RU).

WOODHAVEN (5-3) AT GARDEN CITY (2-6): Another Mega Conference cross-over tilt, with the host Cougars eager to end a disappointing season on a high note. It won't be easy, since Woodhaven has racked up 270 points this season.
PICKS: Wright (Woodhaven); Emons (Woodhaven); Smith (Woodhaven).

NOTRE DAME PREP (3-5) AT LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE (7-1) - 7:30 P.M.: The

host Trojans will be geared up to stay fine-tuned for the playoffs, but Pontiac Notre Dame Prep is coming off a 54-7 shellacking of Romulus Summit Academy and brings plenty of confidence to town.
PICKS: Wright (C'ville); Emons (Prep); Smith (C'ville).

ECORSE (0-8) AT REDFORD COVENANT (4-4), 4 P.M.: Ecorse will be glad to get the season over with, for sure. But the Red Raiders will try to sneak one into the victory column

anyway. Covenant's big threats of Jamonne Chester and Dajuan Hollowell will need to stay healthy in order for the Spartans to finish with a winning record.
PICKS: Wright (Covenant); Emons (Covenant); Smith (Covenant).

SATURDAY'S GAME

DETROIT URBAN (0-8) AT LUTHERAN WESTLAND (3-5), 2 P.M.: Coming off a 34-18 win over Detroit University Prep, the host Warriors and junior

quarterback Ethan Haller are starting to click on offense. A two-game winning streak to end the season would give Lutheran Westland something to bank on for 2009.
PICKS: Wright (Westland); Emons (Westland); Smith (Westland).

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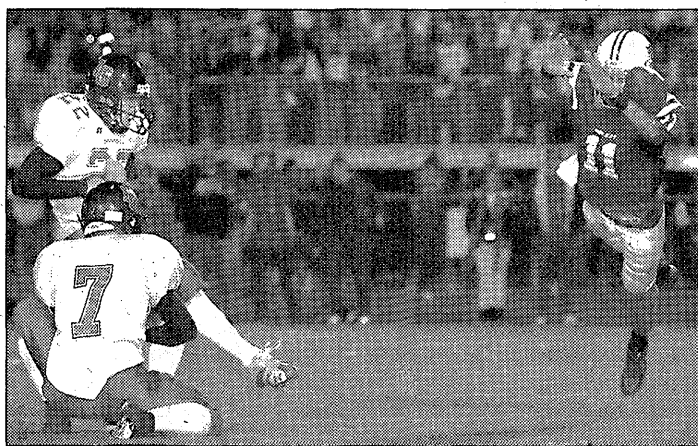
Two-way standout

Parling lobbied his coaches to play defense prior to this season, but they steadfastly refused, not wanting their quarterback to risk getting hurt on the other side of the ball.

But Salowich and his staff relented following the Rocks' Week 1 loss to Plymouth.

"We were a little apprehensive at first, absolutely, because we didn't want him getting injured," Salowich said. "But we realized he's tough enough to where we knew he was not only going to survive, but play well."

And he has played well, both while stopping the run and defending the pass. During Friday's 35-21 to the Chargers,



ANDY RUBENSTEIN

Heath Parling goes horizontal to block a field goal during Friday night's 35-21 loss to Churchill.

he defended Churchill's fastest player — Jeff Ricketts — in the Chargers' spread offense.

"Last year, I begged the coaches to let me play defense, but it was happening," he said. "I was really happy when they put me in there after the first game this year.

"It's nice to be able to hit instead of being hit for a change. It's also fun to sack the quarterback instead of the other way around."

The Rocks have struggled to find the win column in Parling's three-year varsity career, registering a 2-24 record heading

into Friday night's season finale against Canton.

Turning the corner

Unlike the previous two seasons, however, Salem (1-7) has been in practically every game until the waning moments.

"It's definitely been frustrating, losing like we have," Parling said, "but I've never even thought about quitting or giving up. It's still fun. We all still want to win very badly."

"Of the four teams I've played on at Salem, this one is definitely my favorite. In the past, we've had some players that, let's just say, shouldn't have been here. This year, everybody is working hard. We don't have any bad seeds, I guess you can say."

The adversity Parling has faced has a silver lining, he said.

"It's actually helped me a lot, teaching me to never give up," he said. "If we lose a game on a Friday night, I've forgotten about it by Monday morning. I'm just think-

ing about playing Canton now."

Athlete for all seasons

Parling is a member of a dying fraternity: three-sport high school athletes. Once football season ends, he'll take a week off to chill before firing up jumpers in the Salem gym to prepare for hoop season. In the spring, he'll begin his third season on the Rocks' varsity baseball team.

When he graduates in June, he'll have accumulated eight varsity letters, a feat rarely accomplished in this age of specialization.

"Before I started high school, I thought about just playing two sports, but I couldn't do it; I love playing all three," he said. "Football is my favorite probably because I've played it the longest."

There's a good chance Parling will be taking his considerable quarterbacking talents to the next level.

"I was invited to go to Butler (Ind.) University this weekend to watch a football game and I've heard from Duquesne in Pittsburgh," he said. "Or I may try to walk on to a bigger school like Western Michigan."

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VAN BUREN PUBLIC SCHOOLS PROPOSAL 2

MILLAGE PROPOSAL - BUILDING AND SITE SINKING FUND TAX LEVY (Precincts 20 and 33 only)

The full text of the above proposals can be obtained from the Wayne County Clerk's website www.waynecounty.com/clerk, the Canton Township website www.canton-mi.org or by contacting the Clerk's Office at (734) 394-5120.

STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY ACT 278 OF PUBLIC ACTS OF 1964 Amending the Property Tax Limitation Act

I, Raymond J. Wojtowicz, Treasurer of Wayne County, Michigan, do hereby certify that, as of September 12, 2008 the total of all voted increases in excess of the tax rate limitation established by Section 6, Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Michigan, as amended, and the years such increases are effective on property in the County of Wayne are as follows:

WAYNE COUNTY Wayne County, Michigan

Taxing Authorities	Date of Election	Voted Increases	Years Increase Effective
County of Wayne	August 8, 2000	1 mill	2009
Wayne Co. Jail	August 6, 2002	1 mill	2011
Wayne Co. Parks	August 2, 2005	0.25 mills	2010
Wayne Co. Comm. College	Nov. 6, 2001	1.5 mills	2010
Ply-Canton Comm.Schools	September, 2004	18 mills	2014 (non-homestead only)
Van Buren Township	August, 2006	18 mills	2011 (non-homestead only)
School District	June, 1998	1.30 mills	2015
Wayne-Westland	June, 1995	18 mills	2009 (non-homestead only)
Comm. Schools	February, 2003	1 mill	2012

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PRECINCT NUMBERS AND LOCATIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a **General Election** will be held on **Tuesday, November 4, 2008 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.** at the following polling locations:

Precinct No.	Name of Facility	Address
1 & 23	Discovery Middle School	45083 Hanford Road
2	Connection Church	3855 S. Sheldon Road
3, 10, 21	St. John Neumann Church	44800 Warren Road
4 & 13	Miller Elementary School	43721 Hanford Road
5 & 31	Crescent Academy	40440 Palmer Road
6	Royal Holiday Clubhouse	39500 Warren Road
7	Salem High School	46181 Joy Road
8	Resurrection Catholic Church	48755 Warren Road
9 & 34	Eriksson School	1275 N. Haggerty Road
11 & 19	Tonda Elementary School	46501 Warren Road
12 & 14	Hulsing Elementary School	8055 Fleet Street
15	Walker-Winter School	39932 Michigan Avenue
16 & 17	Bentley Elementary School	1100 S. Sheldon Road
18 & 29	Field Elementary School	1000 S. Haggerty Road
20	Township Fire Station No. 1	1100 S. Canton Center Road
22	Hoben Elementary School	44680 Saltz Road
24 & 25	Canton High School	8415 N. Canton Center
26, 27 & 36	Summit on the Park	46000 Summit Parkway
28	Agape Christian Center	45081 Geddes
30	Mettetal Airport	8550 N. Lilley Road
32	Main Street Baptist Church	8500 N. Morton Taylor
33 & 37	Dodson Elementary School	205 N. Beck
35	Canton Human Services Center	50430 School House
38	Historic Cherry Hill School	50440 Cherry Hill
39	Plymouth High School	8400 N. Beck Road

The Office of the Township Clerk, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, will be open from **9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 1, 2008** for obtaining and casting absentee ballots. Qualified voters must appear in person to receive a ballot.

On **Monday, November 3, 2008**, those requesting an absentee ballot must appear in person at the Clerk's Office no later than **4:00 p.m.** Emergency absentee ballots **ONLY** will be issued on Election Day, November 4, 2008.

Handicapped voters may ask for special accommodations by calling the Clerk's Office until the close of voting at 8:00 p.m. on Election Day. To obtain election instructions in an alternative format (audio or Braille), contact the Clerk's Office prior to Election Day.

If you are unsure of your voting location, please refer to your voter registration card, check the Clerk's voting page on Canton's Website at www.canton-mi.org, or contact the Clerk's office at 734-394-5120.

Terry G. Bennett, Clerk

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH LEGAL NOTICE GENERAL ELECTION - TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 04, 2008

Notice is hereby given that a general election will be held in the Charter Township of Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan, on Tuesday, November 04, 2008, from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., at which time candidates of the Republican, Democratic, Green, U.S. Taxpayers, Libertarian, and Natural Law Parties and Non-Partisan Candidates and two State Proposals will be voted upon:

PRESIDENTIAL

President and Vice-President of the United States

CONGRESSIONAL

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Representative in Congress - 11th District

LEGISLATIVE

Representative in State Legislature, 20th District

STATE BOARDS

Member of the State Board of Education - Vote for not more than 2
Regent of the University of Michigan - Vote for not more than 2
Trustee of Michigan State University - Vote for not more than 2
Governor of Wayne State University - Vote for not more than 2

COUNTY

Prosecuting Attorney
Sheriff
County Clerk
County Treasurer
Register of Deeds
County Commissioner, 10th District

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP

Supervisor-Vote for not more than 1
Clerk
Treasurer-Vote for not more than 1
Trustees

NONPARTISAN SECTION - JUDICIAL

Justice of Supreme Court
Judge of Court of Appeals-1st District-Incumbent Position-Vote for not more than 3
Judge of Circuit Court-3rd Circuit-Incumbent Position-Vote for not more than 18
Judge of Circuit Court-3rd Circuit-Non-Incumbent Position-Vote for not more than 3
Judge of Circuit Court-3rd Circuit-Incumbent Position-Partial Term ending 01/01/2011 -Vote for not more than 2
Judge of Probate Court-Incumbent Position-Vote for not more than 3
Judge of District Court -35th District, Non-Incumbent Position-Vote for not more than 1

DISTRICT LIBRARY

District Library Board Member-Plymouth District
Library-Vote for not more than 3

STATE PROPOSALS:

PROPOSAL 08-1

A LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVE TO PERMIT THE USE AND CULTIVATION OF MARIJUANA FOR SPECIFIED MEDICAL CONDITIONS

The proposed law would:
Permit physician approved use of marijuana by registered patients with debilitating medical conditions including cancer, glaucoma, HIV, AIDS, hepatitis C, MS and other conditions as may be approved by the Department of Community Health.
Permit registered individuals to grow limited amounts of marijuana for qualifying patients in an enclosed, locked facility.
Require Department of Community Health to establish an identification card system for patients qualified to use marijuana and individuals qualified to grow marijuana.
Permit registered and unregistered patients and primary caregivers to assert medical reasons for using marijuana as a defense to any prosecution involving marijuana.

Should this proposal be adopted?
YES NO

PROPOSAL 08-2

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO ADDRESS HUMAN EMBRYO AND HUMAN EMBRYONIC STEM CELL RESEARCH IN MICHIGAN

The proposed constitutional amendment would:
Expand use of human embryos for any research permitted under federal law subject to the following limits:
the embryos - are created for fertility treatment purposes; are not suitable for implantation or are in excess of clinical needs; would be discarded unless used for research were donated by the person seeking fertility treatment.
Provide that stem cells cannot be taken from human embryos more than 14 days after cell division begins.
Prohibit any person from selling or purchasing human embryos for stem cell research.
Prohibit state and local laws that prevent, restrict or discourage stem cell research, future therapies and cures.

Should this proposal be adopted?
YES NO

Polling locations for the Charter Township of Plymouth are as follows:

Precinct 1	Farrand School	41400 Greenbriar
Precinct 2	Friendship Station	42375 Schoolcraft Rd
Precinct 3 & 4	Plymouth Twp Municipal Offices	9955 N. Haggerty
Precinct 5	Bird School	220 N. Sheldon Rd
Precinct 6	West Middle School	44401 Ann Arbor Tr
Precinct 7	Living Word Church	46500 N. Territorial Rd
Precinct 8	St. Kenneth's Catholic Church	14951 Haggerty Rd
Precinct 9	Church of the Nazarene	45801 Ann Arbor Rd
Precinct 10	Fiegel School	39750 Joy Rd
Precinct 11	First Baptist Church	45000 N. Territorial Rd
Precinct 12	Pioneer Middle School	46081 Ann Arbor Rd
Precincts 13 & 16	Risen Christ Lutheran Church	46250 W. Ann Arbor Rd
Precinct 14	Isbister School	9300 Canton Center Rd
Precinct 15	First United Methodist Church	45201 N. Territorial Rd
Precinct 17	NorthRidge Church	49555 N. Territorial Rd

Applications for absentee ballots for Plymouth Township registered voters may be obtained at Plymouth Township Clerk's Office, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, MI, 48170, during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Absentee ballots will be delivered to qualified absentee voters in person at the Clerk's Office from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., on Saturday, November 1. On Monday, November 3, qualified voters shall receive their ballots, and vote them in the Clerk's Office until 4:00 p.m.

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Chief spikers sweep Zebras

Canton's incredibly successful season continued Tuesday night with a 25-10, 25-13 and 25-6 sweep of Wayne Memorial.

The victory improved the Chiefs' record to 27-5 overall and 7-2 in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association's South Division.

"The team played aggressive

all three games," said Canton coach Jen Barnes. "We are looking a little more comfortable in some new line-ups."

The Chiefs were led by Jordan Kielty, who racked up 16 kills and five aces, Shelby Anthony (12 digs and 11 aces), Kristen Muir (17 digs) and Gina Waite, who compiled 21 assists and nine digs.

SWIM RESULTS

SALEM 112 PLYMOUTH 74 Tuesday at Salem

200-yard medley relay: 1. Salem (Emily Nelson, Sara Spala, Emily Bair, Lauren Seroka), 1:57.89; 2. Plymouth (Stephanie Matsui, Ellen Palczynski, Sijia Hao, Lauren Maslyk), 2:00.34; 3. Plymouth (Rachel Huhta, Madison Tustian, Celeste Alexander, Paige Stevens), 2:11.61.

200 freestyle: 1. Whitney Aumiller (S), 2:02.12; 2. Irene Li (S), 2:06.87; 3. Michelle Chang (P), 2:07.16.

200 IM: 1. Emily Bair (S), 2:18.76; 2. Emily Nelson (S), 2:18.89; 3. Sijia Hao (P), 2:22.21.

50 freestyle: 1. Lauren Seroka (S), 26.09; 2. Ellen Palczynski (P), 27.28; 3. Paige Stevens (P), 28.60.

1-meter diving: 1. Katie Koetting (S), 245.45 points; 2. Kay Borst (P), 173.80; 3. Natalia Czarnota (S), 127.50.

100 butterfly: 1. Emily Bair (S), 1:03.98; 2. Stephanie Matsui (P), 1:08.88; 3. Kirsten Clemans (S), 1:10.47.

100 freestyle: 1. Lauren Seroka (S), 56.67; 2. Michelle Chang (P), 57.47; 3. Amanda Price (S), 1:01.09.

500 freestyle: 1. Whitney Aumiller (S), 5:20.91; 2. Sijia Hao (P), 5:36.85; 3. Irene Li (S), 5:48.09.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Salem (Amanda Price, Irene Li, Lauren Seroka, Whitney Aumiller), 1:48.95; 2. Plymouth (Michelle Chang, Ellen Palczynski, Lauren Maslyk, Chantel Cote), 1:49.51; 3. Salem (Alexis Thornbury, Mary Schremsner, Casey Zimmerman, Kristen Clemans), 1:56.79.

100 backstroke: 1. Emily Nelson (S), 1:03.83; 2. Stephanie Matsui (P), 1:06.82; 3. Rachel Huhta (P), 1:10.46.

100 breaststroke: 1. Ellen Palczynski (P), 1:11.91; 2. Sara Spala (S), 1:14.56; 3. Madison Tustian (P), 1:19.07.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Salem (Emily Bair, Amanda Price, Emily Nelson, Whitney Aumiller), 3:58.67; 2. Plymouth (Michelle Chang, Stephanie Matsui, Abby Kelly, Chantel Cote), 4:03.87; 3. Plymouth (Sijia Hao, Rachel Huhta, Paige Stevens, Madison Tustian), 4:11.62.

CANTON 103 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 83 Oct. 16 at Canton

200-yard medley relay: 1. John Glenn (Jordan Burgess, Casey Peterson, Ashley Sells, Jennie Humbach), 2:02.15; 2. Canton, 2:05.81; 3. Canton, 2:09.02.

100 freestyle: 1. Maggie Carlson (C), 2:00.95; 2. Kayla Lyster (C), 2:04.46; 3. Khiry Sparks (JG), 2:04.57.

200 IM: 1. Casey Peterson (JG), 2:20.63; 2. Catherine Irwin (C), 2:21.47; 3. Sara Krebs (C), 2:26.02.

50 freestyle: 1. Kari Schmitt (C), 26.55; 2. Jordan Burgess (JG), 26.56; 3. Jessica Fielhauer (JG), 27.52.

1-meter diving: 1. Desiree Clenney (JG), 196.85 points; 2. Mallory Hudak (C), 193.05; 3. Robyn Piwowar (C), 174.35.

100 butterfly: 1. Ashley Sells (JG), 1:02.58; 2. Britney Sheeler (C), 1:12.15; 3. Kalli Aloisi (C), 1:12.51.

500 freestyle: 1. Khiry Sparks (JG), 5:36.14; 2. Catherine Irwin (C), 5:40.81; 3. Christine O'Keefe (C), 5:45.38.

200 freestyle relay: 1. John Glenn (Ashley Sells, Khiry Sparks, Casey Peterson, Jordan Burgess), 1:47.15; 2. Canton, 1:47.31; 3. Canton, 1:49.73.

100 backstroke: 1. Ashley Sells (JG), 1:06.47; 2. Kaitlyn Dugas (C), 1:11.97; 3. Laura Kushner (C), 1:14.08.

100 breaststroke: 1. Casey Peterson (JG), 1:14.37; 2. Sara Krebs (C), 1:15.35; 3. Kelly Bedro (C), 1:15.51.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Canton (Christine O'Keefe, Kayla Lyster, Kari Schmitt, Maggie Carlson), 3:56.60; 2. John Glenn, 4:04.83; 3. Canton, 4:05.78.

CANTON'S RECORD: 8-0 overall, 5-0 in KLA.

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■ Building Industry

Association of Southeastern Michigan's (BIA) Sales and Marketing Council (SMC) will hold a Real Estate Continuing Education course on Wednesday, Oct. 29, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at BIA Offices, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills. Lori Chmura of

Middleton Training will present the course that meets the state-mandated requirement for six hours of Real Estate Continuing Education.

Registration fees are \$60 for SMC members, \$80 for BIA members and \$100 for guests. Continental breakfast and lunch are included. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at www.builders.org.

■ Apartment Association of Michigan's (AAM) Property Management Council (PMC) will sponsor a One-On-One Marketing and Leasing seminar on Friday, Oct. 24, from 9 a.m. to noon at AAM Headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills. Kathleen Mabie of Ann Arbor-based Success on Site coach your team to keep an eye on the ball and stay on top of their game: how to gain the competitive edge; qualities of your community that make it better; ensure that your team is at its best; better marketing

for improved position in the marketplace; and people, product, position, placement and promotion.

Registration fees are \$69 for PMC members, \$79 for AAM or Building Industry Association members and \$99 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at www.builders.org.

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) and its Sales & Marketing Council (SMC) will present "Goal Setting: Not Just A Dream - A Real Goal" on Wednesday, Nov. 5, from 8:30-10:30 a.m. at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills.

Dave Tear, "The Sales Coach" of Sales Coaches' Corner, will show participants how to set S.M.A.R.T. Goals and how to stick to them.

Registration fees are \$10 for SMC members, \$15 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members and \$25 for guests. The event includes

a continental breakfast. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at www.builders.org.

■ Apartment Association of Michigan's (AAM) Property Management Council (PMC) will sponsor a "Leasing 101: The 2008 Tour" seminar on Tuesday, Nov. 11, from 9 a.m. to noon at AAM headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills.

Led by Kathleen Mabie of Success on Site, the seminar will cover competitive analysis of what is being sold, setting up the close, telephone techniques, Internet and e-mail and meet-greet information. The seminar is valuable for newly hired leasing personnel as well as seasoned ones.

Registration fees are \$69 for PMC members, \$79 for AAM or Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan members and \$99 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at www.builders.org.

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) and its National Association of Home Builders Professional Remodelers (NAHBR) will hold a "Project Management" course on Friday, Nov. 14, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills.

The course is part of the Certified Graduate Remodeler (CGR) series and counts toward Certified Graduate Associate (CGA) and Certified Graduate Builder (CGB) designations as well as the CGR designation. This course also counts toward preclosure and continuing education competency for the State of Michigan.

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evaluation. Anyone in the pre-construction or construction process will benefit including owners, project managers, superintendents and sales managers.

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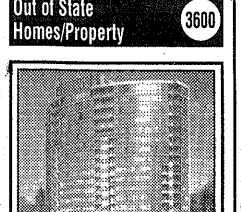
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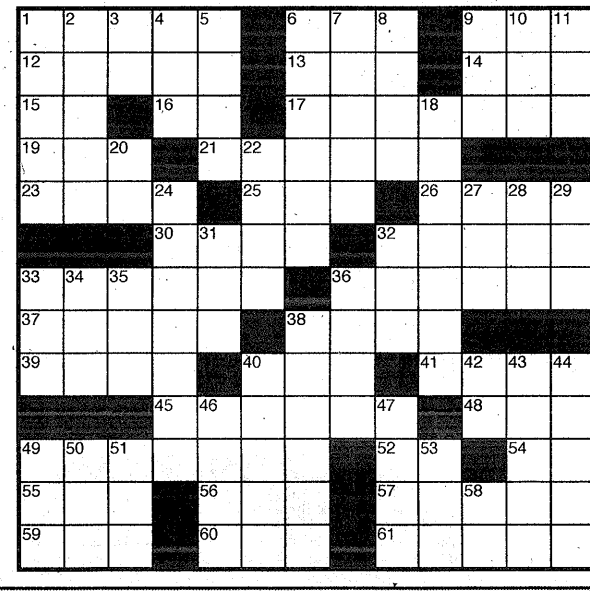
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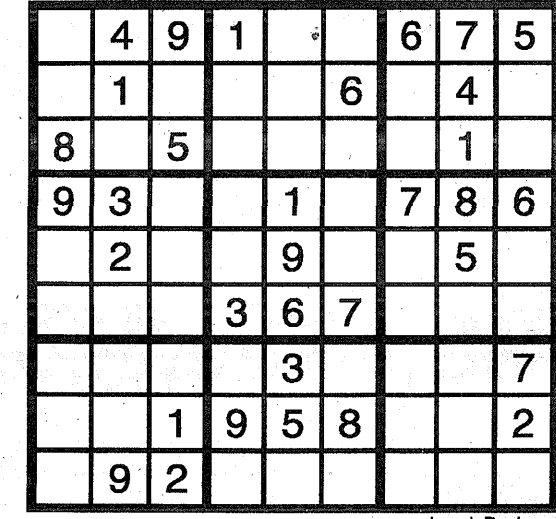
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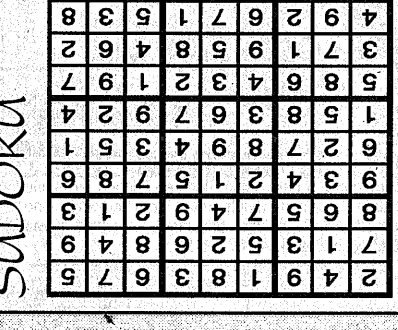
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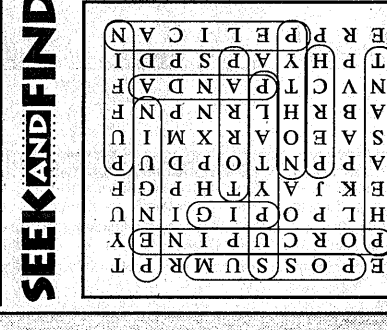
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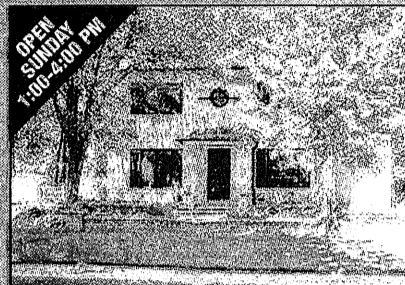
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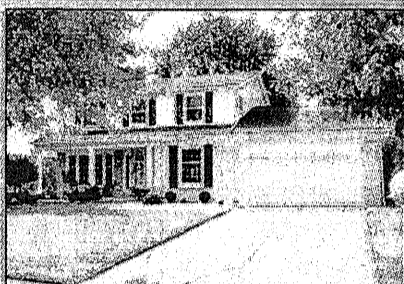
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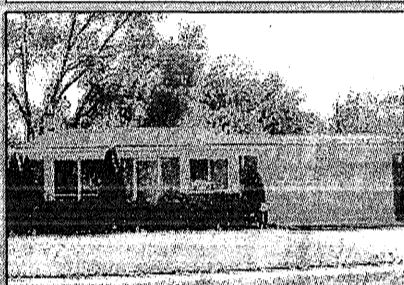
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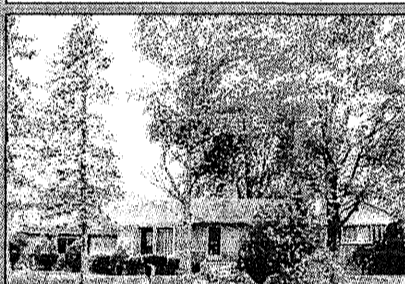
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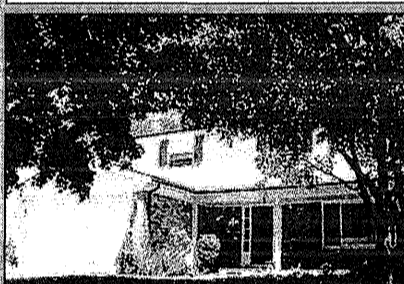
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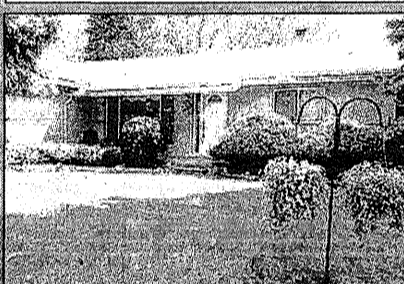
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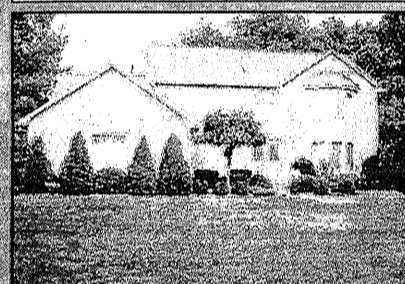
FARMINGTON HILLS \$209,900
Updated ranch. Fantastic floor plan w/newer hwdw flrs t/o most of home. FR w/cathedral ceiling & D/W to deck. Newer kit w/granite cntrs. Newer roof, siding, C/A & more. 2 car att gar. MLS 28137970 248-855-2000



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3 BR 2 bath ranch w/open floor plan on lrg lot. Newer kit w/walnut cabinets opens to FR w/doorwall to patio. Hrwdw flrs. Full bsm't. Most appl. stay. 2 car att. garage. MLS 28123093 248-855-2000



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3BR 3 bath brick colonial features lrg kit w/brkfst area & doorwall to deck. All kit appl stay. FR w/frp/c & wet bar. Mstr suite w/WIC & bath plus 12x8 area for sitting area. Fin bsm't. 2 ca att gar. MLS 28165658 248-855-2000



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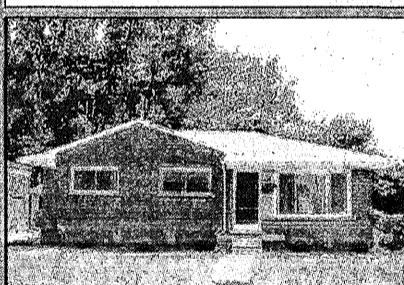
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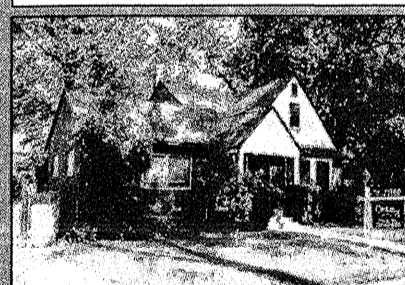
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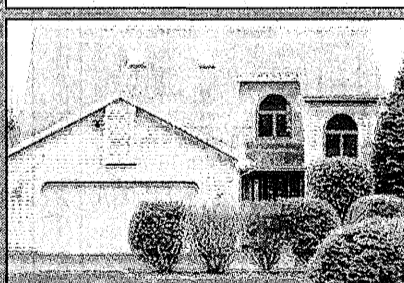
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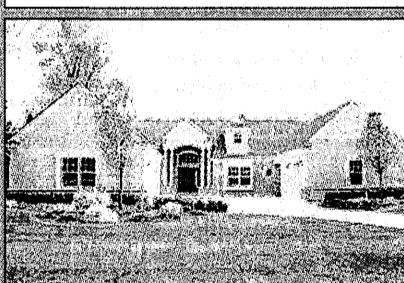
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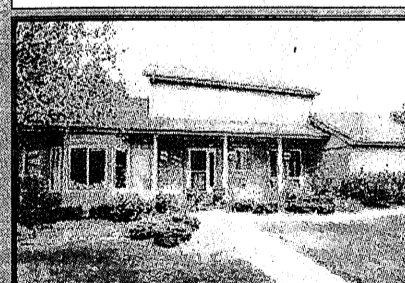
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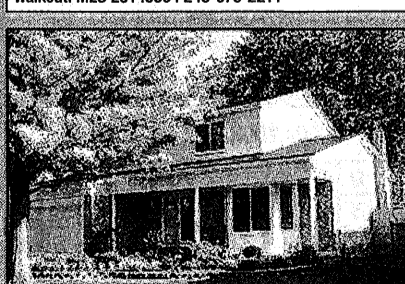
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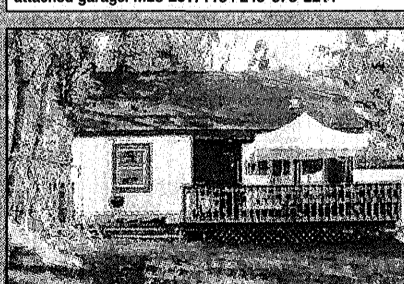
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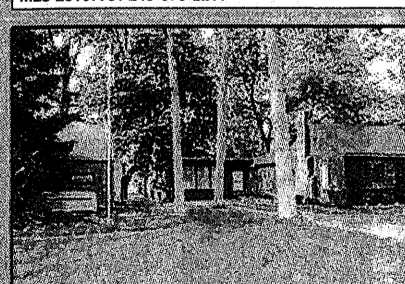
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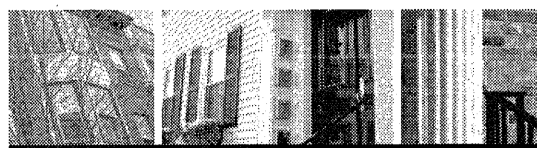


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Proof of its good build are evidenced in its back-to-back "Highest Ranking" finishes in J.D. Power and Associates' Initial Quality Study in 2006 and 2007. The study is based on new car owners' feedback.

Kia believes the 2008 Rio and Rio5 will continue receiving these praises by offering the same sporty finesse, top-of-the-line quality and high fuel economy.

To offer more options, the Rio5 LX has been added to the lineup and provides yet another affordable option to those preferring the sporty styling cues and interior flexibility of a five-door.

The Kia Rio comes in base, LX and SX trim levels, while the five-door Rio5 hatchback comes in the SX and LX trims. You get what you pay for in the \$10,890-priced base sedan, it has manual steering and no air conditioning.

Ordering the LX gets you air-conditioning, a CD player, power steering, a 60/40-split folding rear seat, a tilt steering wheel and bigger tires.

The sporty SX versions add foglights, 15-inch alloy wheels, a rear spoiler, metallic interior trim, metal pedals, leather-wrapped steering wheel and a black-with-red-accent cabin theme.

Options include the Power Package, which adds full power features, keyless entry and tweeter speakers and 16-inch alloy wheels for the SX.

A 1.6-liter 4-cylinder engine puts out 110 horsepower and powers every 2008 Kia Rio. All trims come standard with a five-speed manual transmission, while a four-speed automatic is optional on all but the base sedan.



Starting off at just \$10,890, the 2008 Kia Rio may be the smallest car Kia sells but it is definitely its biggest bargain. The hatchback version, the Rio5, is also a steal at \$13,765.

Manual Rios get 27 miles per gallon in the city and 32 mpg on the highway. Although compact cars aren't known for their room, the Rio offers ample amount of space for passengers and cargo.

Its 98.4-inch wheelbase and 57.9-inch height is similar to segment competitors, yet through smart design the Rio provides 92.2 cubic feet of passenger volume, which is more room than larger sedans such as the Honda Civic and Toyota Corolla.

Trunk space is also generous with the Rio offering a deep and spacious 11.9 cubic feet while the Rio5 offers 15.8 cubic feet of rear storage.

In addition, when the standard 60/40-split fold-flat rear seats are folded down, cargo volume in the five-door increases to 49.6 cubic feet.

Every inch of the Rio's interior is utilized as evident in the form of numerous storage areas, a center stack tray, a front passenger luggage hook and a rear mesh seatback pocket.

On the outside, the Rio reflects its European-inspired exterior, featuring a black mesh grille and swept-back headlights. The bumpers contain black inserts, and black bodyside moldings.

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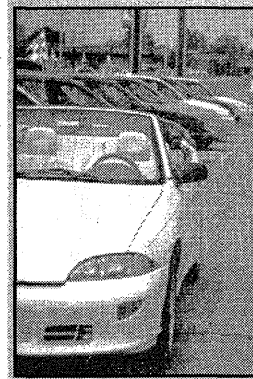
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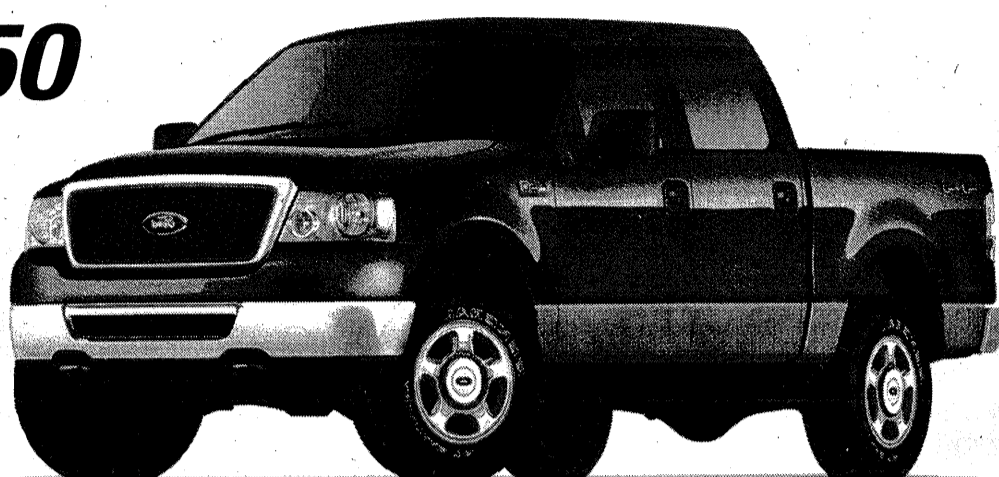
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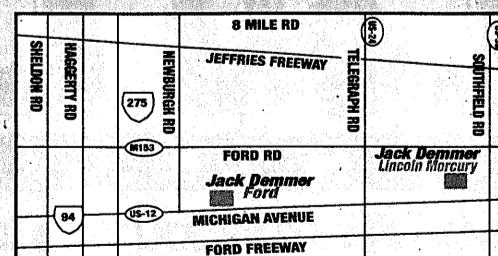
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Huntington Woods filmmaker to show 3 'Detroit Docs'

DETROIT DOCS

What: More than 50 documentaries shown over five days in Detroit.

Details: Screenings will run Oct. 29 to Nov. 2, at 1515 Broadway and at the Detroit Film Theatre, 5200 Woodward Ave., respectively, in Detroit.

Admission: Festival passes \$25, or purchase individual tickets to programs for \$6-\$14.

More information: For a full film schedule, tickets or passes, visit www.detroitdocs.com.

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA
O&E STAFF WRITER

Last year, filmmaker Alex Grossfeld attended the Detroit Docs documentary film festival for the first time. Flash forward one year, and three of his films have been accepted for screening at the event. The international documentary celebration is set for Oct. 29 to Nov. 2 in Detroit.

The Huntington Woods resident traces his interest in film back to his days at Berkley High School. During his freshman year, he was involved in creating video announcements. He took his first class in video produc-

tion the following year and has been making movies and working in the medium ever since.

Currently a student at Detroit's College for Creative Studies, he's become entrenched in documentary filmmaking and regularly works as a freelancer for Troy-based Media Arts. His assignments there have run the gamut from Webisodes featuring an organic Michigan farm to shooting overseas in Switzerland. It was the latter trip that led to his documentary *When I Went to Europe*, an experimental doc that flashes back and forth in time and evokes a dream-like feeling.

With footage shot on Super 8 — using cameras he uncovered in his late uncle's basement — Grossfeld labored over the editing. "I had no idea how I was going to piece it together," he said.

Festival Director David Gazdowicz said it paid off. "He made something really exciting to watch."

Grossfeld also will present his works *Highland Park Police Headquarters* and *Michigan Central Station*, both of which explore abandoned properties. In the latter, he follows photog-

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French Filmmaker Yan Giroux helmed *Cubanos - Life and Death of a Revolution* sharing a portrait of the Cuban community. It is featured in Detroit Docs next week.

Warhol's sporting life



Andy Warhol's portrait of Muhammad Ali, 1977, is part of The Athletes Series, paintings included in "Grand Slam: Andy Warhol" at Cranbrook Art Museum. The series is provided courtesy of the Collection of Richard Weisman and this image holds a copyright from the Muhammad Ali Foundation.

comes out to play at Cranbrook

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA
O&E STAFF WRITER

Grand Slam, a brand new Andy Warhol exhibition at Bloomfield Hills' Cranbrook Art Museum, came together thanks to a single portrait depicting Brazilian Soccer great Pelé. That portrait, one of 10 in Warhol's *Athletes Series*, was gifted to the museum in 2001 by collectors John and Rose M. Shuey.

Gregory Wittkopp, director of Cranbrook Art Museum and a Pleasant Ridge resident, sought to reunite Pelé with his nine counterparts, all created by Warhol between 1977 and 1979. In doing so he contacted Seattle art collector Richard Weisman, a longtime friend of Warhol's who initially commissioned the project. Weisman agreed to show the series at Cranbrook shortly after its return from a Beijing gallery where it was presented to coincide with Summer Olympic Games in China. At Cranbrook, it serves as the centerpiece to an original show.

"We have put this together ourselves," said Emily Zilber, co-curator and Bloomfield Hills resident. "It's not part of a tour."

GRAND SLAM: ANDY WARHOL

What: More than 200 works spanning the celebrated pop art founder's career from 1960 to his death in 1987, highlighting "The Athletes Series," which will only be part of the exhibition through Jan. 4, 2009.

When: The show runs through Jan. 11, 2009. Museum hours: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday; and 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. on the fourth Friday of each month.

Where: Cranbrook Academy of Art and Art Museum, 39221 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills.

Tickets: \$10 adults; \$5 teens, students; children 12 and under are admitted free with adult admission; members admitted free. **More information:** Call (877) GO-CRANBROOK or visit www.cranbrook.edu.

Grand Slam showcases Warhol's work in four forms. In addition to his paintings and photography, films will be shown continuously, including *Mrs. Warhol*, *Sunset*, and *Paul Swan*, as well as screen tests of Salvador Dali and of Lou Reed, shot at Warhol's infamous Factory

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Andy Warhol's portrait of soccer star Edson-Pelé, 1977, was gifted to the Collection of Cranbrook Art Museum by Rose M. Shuey and is part of "Grand Slam: Andy Warhol," now at the museum.

HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS

ART

Scary Monsters: Tom Carey's *Scary Monsters* exhibit is open just in time for the spooky season, running through Nov. 8, at the Paint Creek Center for the Arts, at 407 Pine, Rochester. Call (248) 651-4110 or visit www.pccart.org.

Harvest Pumpkin Painting: D&M Art Studio gets in on the act of this artistic fall activity, Oct. 23-29, at 28691 N. Lilley, in Canton. Call (734) 453-3710 or visit www.dmartstudio.com.

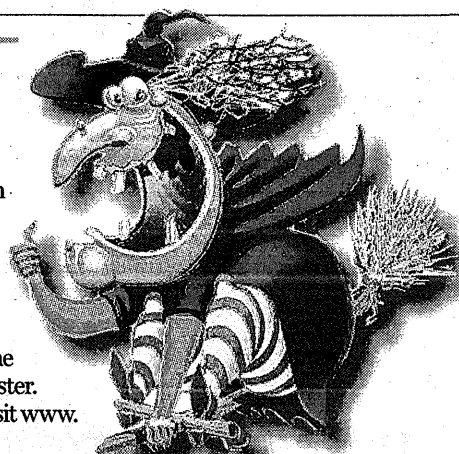
Spooky Science Day: Enjoy Ford Free Fundays with presentations by the Organization for Bat Conservation, based in Bloomfield Hills, a wizards and witches astronomy show at the planetarium, make potions and receive a goodie bag as available, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Oct. 26 at the Detroit Science Center, 5020 John R. Street, Detroit. Call (313) 577-8400.

Tut-o-Ween: Kids pre-school to grade 3 can come in costume, visit the museum and receive treats, noon, Oct. 25, Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren, Detroit.

Museum Mystery Tours: Hear creepy tales and secrets about artists on a tour of the American art galleries, 6-9 p.m. Fridays, Oct. 24-31, Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Admission \$4-\$8, call (313) 833-7900.

STAGE

Thrills & Chills 3 - A Halloween Special: The Max M. Fisher Music Theatre revives this classic for kids. On Oct. 25 celebrate Rock O'ween with the Candy Band, at 3700 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Call (313) 576-5111.



"They're Coming to Get You Barbara": The Majestic Theatre presents a night of undead musical theater, with the production *Night of the Living Dead: The Musical*, Oct. 30, at 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Call (313) 833-9700 for details.

Halloween Hocus Pocus: Children are welcome at the Marquis Theatre's *Halloween Hocus Pocus*, running Oct. 24-26, at 135 Main, Northville. Call (248) 349-8110 or visit www.northvillemarquistheatre.com.

Blood Bath and Beyond: *Blood Bath and Beyond* is showing through Nov. 1, at Planet Ant Theatre, 2357 Caniff, Hamtramck. Call (313) 365-4948.

SCREEN

Penn Theatre: Brace yourselves, movie-lovers, for the Shocktober Classic Movie Series, featuring *House of Wax*, Oct. 23; and *Frankenstein*, Oct. 30 at the Penn Theatre. All movies roll at 7 p.m. Tickets \$3. The theater is at 760 Penniman Ave., in Plymouth. Call (734) 453-0870.

Detroit Film Theater: Boston's Alloy Orchestra will return to perform live during the films, *The Last Command*, Oct. 24; *Underworld*, Oct. 25 and *Chang: The Drama of the Wilderness* and *Nosferatu: A Symphony of Horror* on Oct. 26, all at 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Call (313) 833-7900 or visit www.dia.org/dft.

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The swap meet will feature '08 and '09 bikes as well as used bikes — street, dirt, metric, touring, cruising, trikes, choppers, custom bikes, and trailers.

The Giant Motorcycle Swap Meet for the past 33 years, has offered "everything for rider

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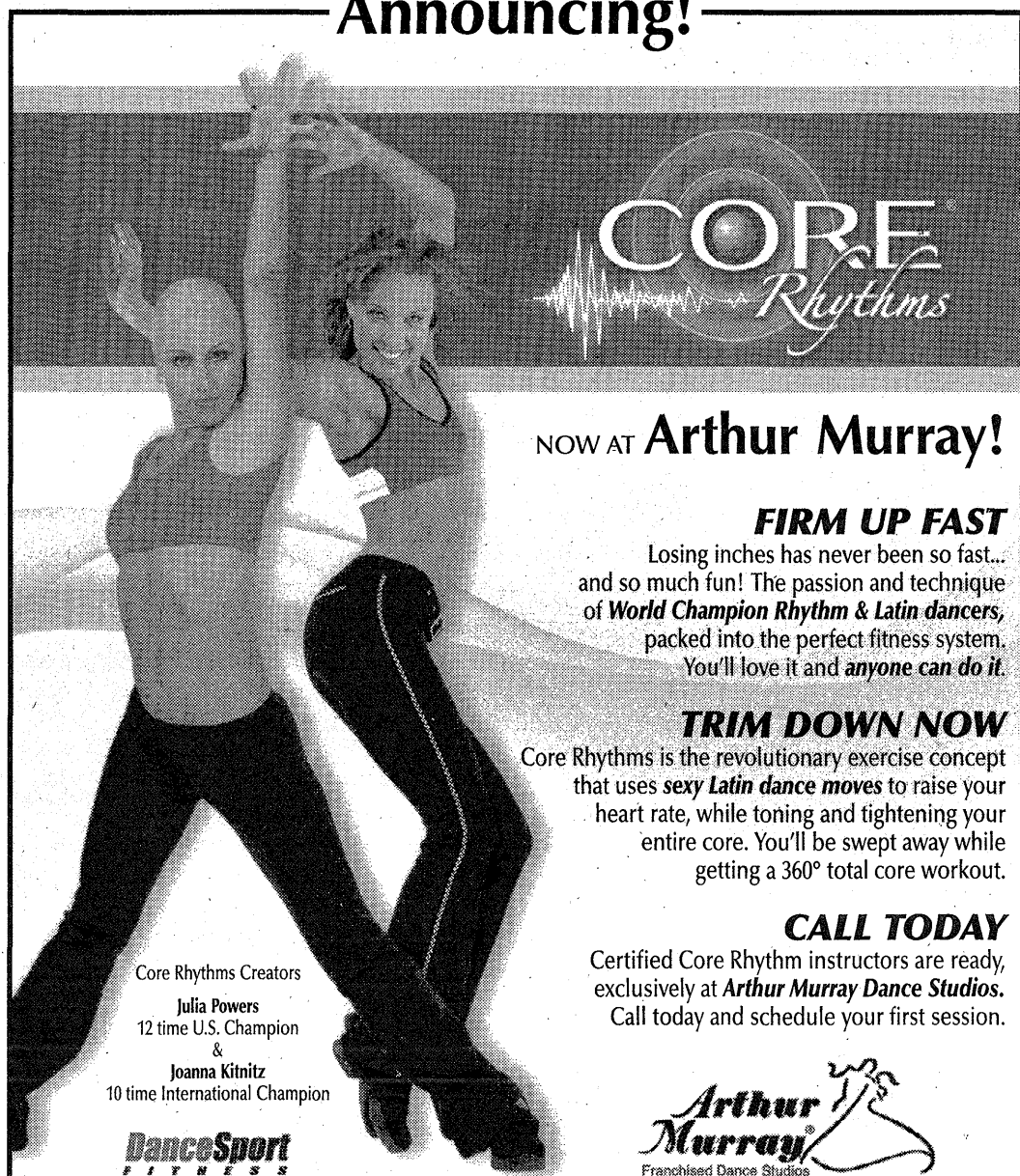
Many bikers have hired the 1800s replica hearse for funerals, calling it "the last ride" for loved ones. Visit http://www.michmempark.com/unique_hearse.htm

■ Also on display will be the "U of M" Chopper built by Orange County Choppers. The bike is scheduled to be auctioned at the 18th annual Antique and Special Interest Motorcycle Auction in Las Vegas next year. Proceeds will go to benefit C.S. Mott Children's Hospital and The University of Michigan.

Hours are 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Admission is \$10 for adults and \$3 for ages 6-12. Rock Financial Showplace is located at 46100 Grand River Avenue, Novi, (248) 662-0104.

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First Impressions

The DIA shows off modern masters in 'Monet to Dali'

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA
O&E STAFF WRITER

Patrons of the Detroit Institute of Arts may recognize that within the museum's extensive collection is a wealth of post-modern Impressionist works. This month, with the addition of the exhibition *Monet to Dali: Modern Masters from the Cleveland Museum of Art*, a collection of 75 earlier paintings and sculptures by the likes of these masters as well as Renoir, Picasso, Rodin, and Matisse to name a few, depict city life, landscapes and turn-of-the-century times sure to awe visitors throughout its run.

Once it closes, on Jan. 18, the works will return home to The Cleveland Art Museum, which has been undergoing an expansion. During construction, the museum's collection has been shown across the globe, as far away as China. Detroit marks its last stop. Curator William R. Robertson, of the Cleveland Museum of Art, said he doesn't expect they will be again because "we've missed them too much." The collection — one which he said would be "impossible to assemble" today — demonstrates the museum's strength in the area of modern art.

MaryAnn Wilkinson, curator of European Modern Art for the DIA, said "We were trying to get away from the art historical chronology" when organizing this exhibition. Visitors will notice that the paintings and sculptures are rather loosely grouped by themes. Those include: The inspiration of landscapes; anxiety at the turn of the century; the spirit of experimentation; an emphasis on psychology; and the exuberance of life in the city.

Nature is reflected first, in works like a peaceful scene by Pierre-Auguste Renoir titled *The Apple Seller*. The children's fresh faces blush with tones that mimic the changing trees. Camille Pissarro's *Edge of the Woods* gives a doe's-eye-view of a forest clearing.

The Age of Anxiety comes across in large scale through Pablo Picasso's long-suffering Blue Period subjects of *La Vie*, while Vincent Van Gogh's *The Poplars of Saint-Remy* shows a breathtaking use of light and shadow, along with those trademark swirling skies.

Salvador Dali's *The Dream* is highlighted for its Freudian connection to psychology, almost an Oedipal complex played out in dreams. It is one of the pieces Graham W.J. Beale, director of the DIA, was most excited to present, along with the exhibit's multiple works by Claude Monet.

"The DIA only has one Monet," he said, adding that *Monet to Dali* allows visitors to take a deeper look at the artist. Monet's *The Red Kerchief*, with its muted tones, voyeuristic viewpoint and drops of delicate snow, practically serves as the exhibition's equivalent of an encore.



THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART

Seek out Pierre-Auguste Renoir's "The Apple Seller," now at the DIA.

MONET TO DALI: MODERN MASTERS FROM THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART

What: A collection of 75 works of art assembled from a who's who of Modern art masters including Monet, Dali, van Gogh, Renoir, Degas, Matisse, Picasso and Rodin, to name a few.
When: Running through Jan. 18, 2009
Where: The Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit
Tickets: \$8-\$18, call (313) 833-4005 or visit www.dia.org.

The artwork is presented in a very clean, purposeful manner that makes the overall experience of wandering through these galleries an engaging one. The works are displayed with vivid descriptions penned by DIA staff members, and nearby diagrams that highlight various portions

of a painting and shed light on the background and history of the artist, as well as those elements that inspired them. Lighted phrases are projected onto walls denoting a new group of paintings and sculpture. It fits right into the DIA's overall approach to organization, unveiled last year once its own renovation was complete.

"We're very excited about what we're doing here," said Wilkinson. "We think it's kind of a fresh look."

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raphers who seek beauty in pure urban decay. "I wanted to document these guys doing what they do," said Grossfeld. He admits a fascination in the rotting environs and said "it's sad no one wants to do anything about it or they can't do it," said Grossfeld. "It was just something I wanted to be a part of."

All three films are part of the Made in Michigan series and will be shown between 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, at the Detroit Film Theatre.

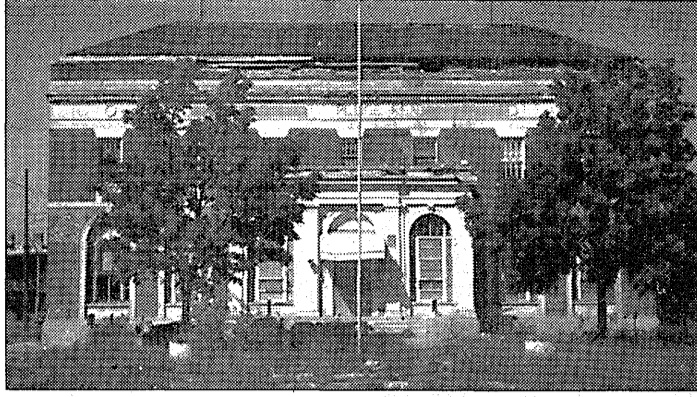
Grossfeld is looking forward to the screening — though he admits when *When I Went to Europe* was recently included in the Ann Arbor Film Festival his attention wasn't on the screen. "You end up watching the audience to see what their reaction will be," he said.

Gazdowicz noted that 87 film submissions came in over the course of a year. He has screened every one. And through a committee process, about 48 were chosen for the festival. This year, the festival will honor filmmaker Les Blank, whose works include *Burdon of Dreams*, which chronicles German director Werner Herzog's work filming the epic feature *Fitzcarraldo* in the Amazon. The movie will be shown, along with *Werner Herzog Eats His Shoe*, *Garlic is as Good as Ten Mothers*, and a Q&A session, all on Oct. 30 at the Detroit Film Theatre.

"His style is just amazing," said Gazdowicz of Blank. "He's been an award-winning filmmaker for years and years. He's one of those filmmakers that, if you're interested in documentary films, you know who he is."

The festival highlight will spotlight local works in the Made In Michigan series Nov. 1-2 at the Detroit Film Theatre. Much of the Detroit Docs programming will be housed at 1515 Broadway — including Patrick Creadon's ode to the country's growing debt in *I.O.U.S.A.*; a 15-hour movie marathon; and, wrapping up the event, six additional shorts by Blank. Nearby restaurants like Small Plates and The Detroit Beer Co. will offer film fest patron discounts.

"This is going to be a great weekend in Detroit," said Gazdowicz.



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Arab women create visions of utopia

Utopian Visions is the name of an interesting exhibit at the Arab American National Museum created by four women artists.

The works created by Rima Al-Awar, Rana Chalabi, Roula Ayoub and Emna Zghal are inspired by poetry, spiritual belief and nature.

"This exhibit is a remarkable medley of color, texture and imagery that evokes our universal yearning for a more perfect world," AANM Curator of Collections Suzy Adra Mazloum said on the museum's Web site. Mazloum led the exhibit's development.

"It also encourages our viewers to reflect on their own personal visions of utopia and share them with their fellow visitors — in a very real way, our viewers will enhance this exhibit as it continues to evolve over the next six months."

The artists hail from Toronto, Cairo, Beirut and

UTOPIAN VISIONS

What: Art work by artists Rima Al-Awar, Rana Chalabi, Roula Ayoub and Emna Zghal

Where: The Arab American National Museum; 13624 Michigan Ave., Dearborn, Michigan

Museum hours: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Wednesday, Friday and Saturday; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursday; noon-5 p.m. Sunday.

Admission: The exhibit is free with museum admission — \$6 for adults; \$3 for students, seniors and children 6-12; free for ages 5 and under.

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Her works in the exhibit are named after Eden — the historical Yemeni city that inspired the Garden of Eden, man's first vision of utopia.

Chalabi studied archaeology, architecture and Islamic.

The 52-year-old artist was born in Syria, raised in Lebanon and has lived and worked in Cairo, Egypt since 1981.

Her work has also been exhibited in London, Paris and Amman, Jordan.

Her painting *Whirling Dervish* (the practice of giving oneself to movement with one hand raised to God and the other to the Earth) is Sufi-inspired yet painted with Chinese influence of red, black and gold colors.

Ayoub's abstract paintings have been exhibited the U.S., Jordan and France.

She's based in Beirut, but frequently visits Houston.

"My art is somewhere beyond our world, a self cre-



Rana Chalabi created this piece titled "Divine Whirling," celebrated by Sufis. She holds degrees from the American University campuses in Beirut and Cairo and works in oils, acrylics, watercolor, pen, inks, stamps, mixed media, sculpture (wood and clay) and graphic design.

ated place, and a mixture of different cultures creatively painted on canvas," Ayoub wrote in her artist statement.

"It is a serene place where one would aspire to be, far from the rubbish existing in this world where mankind has disturbed what our greatest God has created ... I felt like creating a new world of my own, a world where there is only love, peace, happiness, faith, forgiveness and understanding."

Last, Zghal, of New York,

was born and raised in Tunisia, with an extensive international arts education.

"Poetry has always been central to my art practice; it is my source of inspiration and method of thinking," Zghal wrote in her artist statement.

"Whether in my abstract images or in my work with text, I view all the marks I make on the picture plane as words, as emotionally evocative, if not completely decipherable, symbolic entities ... The spaces I create are

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PAINTER ROYLA AYOUB REGARDING HER ART

intended to allow viewers to meander, to recall the vastness, complexity and mystifying qualities of nature."

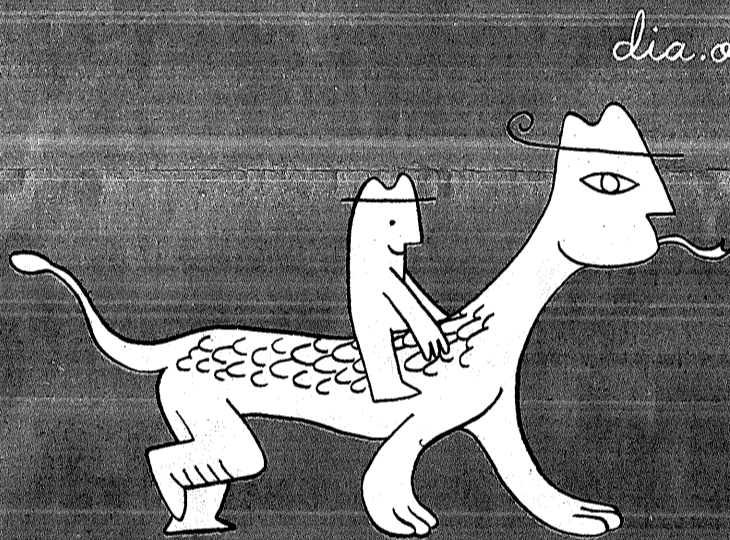
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Sunday, November 9
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It was once thought that albarino was brought to Galicia by German monks, but Martin Codax winemaker Luciano Amoedo confirmed that the grape is indigenous to Galicia. When young, it has an appealing bright apple aroma, similar to that of riesling.

David Landin, enologist at Condes de Albarei, producer of the first white wine from Spain to be awarded a Gold Medal at VINEXPO in Bordeaux, noted that "acidity is the most important factor determining whether albarino undergoes malolactic fermentation or not." Condes de Albarei makes three styles of albarino, but only the stainless steel fermented wine is exported to the U.S.

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In the late 1990s, albarino began to gain traction in U.S. vineyards, particularly on the west coast in Oregon's Umpqua Valley and several California AVAs, (American Viticultural Areas).

Michael Havens, an independent wine consultant, planted albarino in 1997 in the Los Carneros AVA. He believes floral and tropical fruits are the best aroma descriptors with firm, lively stone fruits, bracing acidity, great length and an almost marine minerality as its finest flavors. He prefers albarino with any seafood, raw, sauced or simply cooked. He also likes it with curries or other spicy dishes, whether of Asian or Latino influence.

At Abacela, Earl Jones planted albarino in 2000 in Oregon's Umpqua Valley. He likes the bright fruit and sharp acidity that make albarino a refreshing, food-friendly wine. Albarino is best enjoyed young and fresh, within a year of harvest. So check the vintage on the label when purchasing.

Eleanor & Ray Heald are Contributing Editors for the internationally-respected Quarterly Review of Wines and Troy residents who write about wine for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Contact them by e-mail at focusonwine@aol.com.

WARHOL

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studio. Warhol's prints also are highlighted and they range from the familiarity of his *Campbell's Soup I*, a collection made in 1968, to later works like *Endangered Species* (1983), which is on loan from the Grand Rapids Art Museum, to his 1980 series titled *Ten Jews of the Twentieth Century*.

GREAT SPORTS

While *The Athletes Series* — depicting sports stars like boxer Muhammad Ali, golfer Jack Nicklaus, and tennis champion Chris Evert — has been showcased across the globe, Weisman said he prefers to present them in smaller towns, rather than major cities.

"I like to take them to places that are smaller, places that don't get a chance to see an original Warhol," he said during an Oct. 10 visit to Cranbrook, just prior to the exhibit's public opening.

Weisman initially suggested Warhol paint this series as a way to link "the two most popular leisure time activities," namely art and sports. "People who are interested in art are not too much into the sports world," he said. "And people who are interested in sports are not too interested in art. Of course, there are exceptions."

By suggesting Warhol paint

the series, Weisman knew it had the potential to draw these groups together. "People will come into this museum who have never been here before," he said, standing in the gallery where his own portrait, a gift from Warhol made in vibrant blues, is placed on a wall opposite the 10 sports figures.

Weisman chose the subjects for the series because, as he said, "Andy didn't know the difference between a golf ball and a football." He began approaching sports figures for the series by asking those he knew personally, like hockey's Rod Gilbert, pitcher Tom Seaver, and jockey Willie Shoemaker. Then came Ali. After he signed on, Weisman said, it was easy to nail down the rest of the athletes, like football's OJ Simpson and skater Dorothy Hamill. "These people were very sought-after," Weisman said.

He grew up surrounded by art. His mother, the late Marcia Weisman, was a founder of the Contemporary Art Museum of Los Angeles. Ultimately he began collecting art when he purchased a painting titled *Early Urge* by Matta, a Brazilian painter. It cost \$1,000.

"The art that I have is what I like," Weisman took a packed room at Cranbrook. "I'm the one who wakes up with it and goes to bed with it. I think anyone who is interested in collecting should keep that in mind."

WITH WARHOL

Weisman was already quite familiar with Warhol when he met him — in the 1960s — as they ran in similar social circles in New York City. "We would say 'Andy would have gone to the opening of an envelope,'" joked Weisman. "He was nonstop. His energy was incredible."

He called Warhol a "groupie" who loved to be surrounded by celebrities. "He'd be at a party and he'd see someone who was on their own, not mixing. Andy would go up — wherever he went a crowd would collect around him," said Weisman.

After a few introductions by Warhol even the quietest wallflower would become the center of the party, Weisman explained.

Those parties were captured by Warhol's lens. He was constantly snapping pictures with his Big Shot Polaroid camera, said Weisman.

And more than 150 of those images are also part of the *Grand Slam* exhibit. Following the artist's death in 1987, the Andy Warhol Foundation had compiled 60,000 of his photographs, Wittkopp said. The Andy Warhol Photograph Legacy Program deemed the collection much too large to show and so it has been divided and gifted to museums. In order to receive the photographs, museums had to meet two criteria, Wittkopp said. They had to be connected to universities, and they had to already own a significant

collection of Warhol's work. Cranbrook qualified on both counts, having already held the *Pele* portrait and one screenprint from the *Electric Chair* series.

LOCAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Birmingham art collector Marc A. Schwartz contributed his collection, a series of 10 screenprints of the *Electric Chair* for this show. And Susu Sosnick, also of Birmingham, contributed two additional works to the show. She had commissioned Warhol to paint her portrait in 1981. The exhibit includes those works as well as a slideshow of photographs, taken by her late husband, Robert, which were shot when Sosnick was asked to visit Warhol's Paris studio. He shot Polaroids of her before narrowing down an image to work from for the portraits. Two of those original photographs are also part of the display. Wittkopp said those elements help put the entire exhibit in context as they "show the whole process" of how Warhol worked.

More than a collector of important works, Weisman chooses to share art he has purchased over the years — both in exhibiting them as he does with *The Athletes Series* — and in his book, *Picasso to Pop: The Richard Weisman Collection*. It is available for sale at the museum.

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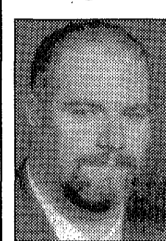
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Diversity and Inclusion (formerly National Conference of Christians and Jews). The Plymouth Township man can't say enough about the new direction the organization is moving in to bring religions and races together.

From Nov. 10-11, Michigan Roundtable and the Catholic Youth Organization will co-sponsor a conference for adult youth workers with speakers representing the Christian, Jewish and Muslim traditions at the Marriott Pontiac Centerpoint. Michigan Roundtable (www.miroundtable.org) is a nonprofit human relations organization trying to eliminate discrimination.

"We're working with students in middle school in Plymouth-Canton to learn about diversity and we're working in communities," said Spreitzer. "We're working with the Catholic Youth Organization with youth ministers who are Jewish, Muslim and Christian. It's a challenge to deal with differences."

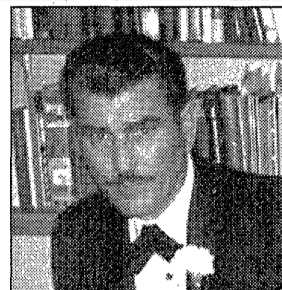
Troubled by unrest in the Middle East and the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, Brenda Naomi Rosenberg, Imam Abdullah El Amin and Rev. Dan Buttry, created The Children of Abraham Project, a dramatic interpretation of the legacy of Abraham whose life was the inspiration for Judaism, Islam and Christianity. Produced by Rosenberg and Julie Fisher Cummings through their Pathways to Peace Foundation, the play was written by Rachel Urist in collaboration with youth from the three Abrahamic faiths, and Brenda and Rick Sperling, founder of Mosaic Youth Theatre.

Rosenberg will present Reuniting the Children of Abraham: Tool Kit for Peace from 5-9 p.m. Monday, Nov. 10 and will speak on reconciliation from 10:15-11:45 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11. She believes every conflict can be resolved if people are ready to engage in courageous conversations using formats of nonviolent communication.

"It's an opportunity to not only show the movie and have a discussion but one of the keys is having the experience of stepping into the other's shoes and being the other to tell your story about how you've been hurt by prejudices. The real healing takes place when you have to play the other person until the other person says you really understand my story," said Rosenberg of Bloomfield Hills. "Imagine if we were able to do this in India between Hindu and Christian, between the Israelis and Arabs, in our own communities to have the opportunity to hear each other's stories."

ISLAMIC VIEW
Dawud Walid couldn't agree more with Rosenberg.

Please see **LEADERS, D7**



CHARLES "Pa" SAMMUT

Age 80, October 21, 2008. Beloved husband of Virginia. Survived by six step-children, one daughter and one sister. Chuck served our country honorably in the U.S. Marine Corp. Funeral service at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Rd., Livonia, Saturday at 11 AM. Visitation Friday from 12-9 PM. Please sign the online guestbook at: www.rgrharris.com.

DENNIS E. KNITTEL

October 19, 2008 age 75. Beloved husband of Mary. Dear Father of Kathleen (Doug) Heuer, Denise (Ken) Mahn. Colleen (Mark) Price, Mary Jo (Kelly) Carley, Susan (Mike) Ellis, John (Kim) and Patrick. Loving Grandfather of 14. Brother of Ed, Jim, Susie, Mary, Joanne and Kathy. Visitation Fred Wood Funeral Home (Rice Chapel) 36100 Five Mile Road (One Mile West of Farmington Road) Wednesday 1-9PM with a scripture service at 7:00PM. Instate St. Edith Catholic Church, 15089 Newburgh (South of Five Mile Road) Thursday 10:00AM until time of Mass 10:30AM. Memorials to Diabetes or American Heart Association preferred.

DONALD R. LAYLAND

Age 78, October 20, 2008. Beloved husband of Leona. Loving father of Kurt (Lynn) Layland and Valerie (Dean) Kusiak. Dear grandfather of Dr. Shannon, Derek (Christina), Dennis (Emily), Tracy, Jason and three great-granddaughters. Funeral service at R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Rd., Livonia, Monday 11 a.m. Visitation Saturday 6-9 p.m. and Sunday 12-9 p.m. Memorial contributions can be directed to the charity of your choice. Share a memory of Don at www.rgrharris.com

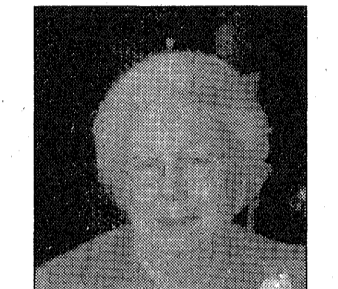


ELIZABETH ANNE RUMSEY WESTON

Elizabeth Anne, Born on March 23, 1916 in Washington D.C. died October 6, 2008 in Grosse Pointe Woods with her family by her side. She was the only child of decorated entomologist, Ernest Ralph Sasser and his wife, Mary Kelley Lynch Sasser. She received a BA degree from Duke University and became a life-long social services advocate and leader in Michigan. Anne married John Davenport Rumsey in 1939. They originally lived in Buffalo, NY before making their home in Franklin and on Wing Lake in Bloomfield Township. John predeceased her in 1991. Appointed to the Oakland County Social Services Board by Governor Romney, she served 18 years, the last 12 of them as chairwoman. She was the first woman to hold the position of president of the Michigan County Social Services Association in 1978-79. Anne was very involved in the community and served on many boards including Planned Parenthood of Southeastern Michigan, Junior League of Birmingham, Kappa Alpha Theta, League of Women Voters and United Community Services. She won the Spirit of Detroit Heart of Gold award in 1983 in recognition of her community and civic work. She was a member of the Birmingham Unitarian Church, Orchard Lake Country Club, The Village Club and the Otsego Ski Club. She was a lifelong learner, a renowned hostess, and a world traveler. She developed proficiency in tennis, skiing, sailing, canoeing and horse pack tripping in order to accompany her family. Anne was blessed to find love again later in life and on July 11, 1994 married Norman Weston, formerly of Birmingham and retired vice chairman of the National Bank of Detroit. Together they made their home in Chapel Hill, N.C. and her family extended to include his children: Michael, Callie, John, and Mark, their spouses and his grandchildren. Norman predeceased her in 2000, and Anne returned to Michigan to be with her children last spring. She leaves her two children: Ralph (Jo) Rumsey, and Susan (Ed) Howbert, and two grandchildren, Jed and Dana Howbert. There will be a memorial service for family only. Memorials may be made to: Planned Parenthood of Mid and South Michigan, P.O. Box 3673, Ann Arbor, MI 48106-3673 or the League of Women Voters Oakland Area, check made to the "League of Women Voters Education Fund", 725 S. Adams Road, Room 292, Birmingham, MI 48009. Arrangements handled by Hamilton Cremation Society of Grosse Pointe.

VAUX H. ADAMS

Age 86. Of Novi, Michigan. Passed away October 17, 2008. Arrangements by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington



ELIZABETH VAN VURST

October 17, 2008 in Lincolnshire, IL. Age 92. Formerly of Bloomfield Hills and Huntington Woods. Wife of the late Henry W. Dear mother of Pat Phelps (Ed), Fred (Jennie), Ginni Glass (Karl), David and the late Henry W. III (Pam). Also survived by 14 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. Aunt of Sr. Marianne Van Vurst, Fr. Jim Van Vurst and the late Donald Van de Vuurst (Louise). Former mother-in-law of Camille Van Vurst, Bridget Van Vurst and Cindy Curler. Funeral service Saturday, Oct. 25th 11a.m. at Kirk in the Hills, 1340 W. Long Lake Rd., Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302. In lieu of flowers family suggests memorial tributes to the Kirk in the Hills Music Department. A.J. Desmond & Sons (248) 549-0500. View obituary and share memories at: www.DesmondFuneralHome.com

EMMA H. JAGIELKY

"Amy" Of Whitmore Lake. Age 83, died Saturday, October 18, 2008 at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor. She was born November 24, 1924 in Illinois the daughter of Ann (Poulyard) Howard. Emma married Karl J. Jagielky in Detroit, MI, he precedes her in death. She was employed as a Farmington School Teachers' Aide before her retirement in 1990. Survivors include her daughters; Diane (Dennis) Sarr of Kent, WA, and their children, Jessica & Joseph Sarr, Janis Jagielky of Whitmore Lake, MI and her children, Melissa & Robert McIntyre & Jessica Orr, and Judith (Daniel) Burwell of Spanaway, WA, their children Kaley & Erin Burwell. In addition to her husband, her son in law James Orr, Janis's husband and sister, Lorraine Heidman precede her in death. A Simple Farewell will be held Saturday, October 25, 2008 at Borek Jennings Funeral Home, Hamburg Chapel (7425 N-36, Hamburg, MI 48139) beginning with gathering at 10:00 AM until the time of service at 11:00 AM with Rev. Sandra Herrst officiating. Interment will take place in Oakwood Cemetery in Farmington. Memorial Contributions are suggested to the Northfield Twp. Library or a library of your choice. Reading was very important to Amy, she loved books, & donated in someone's name for a memory. Please leave a Message of Comfort to Amy's family at 877-231-7900 or visit her guestbook at www.borekjennings.com.



FORREST vonFOERSTER

October 20, 2008, age 76. Beloved husband of Janet. Dear father of Kathy Paulsen (Jeff), Richard vonFoerster (Don Schumacher) and Cynthia Grove (Jake). Grandfather of Lindsey, Emily, Ryan, Natalie and Stephanie. Special uncle of Steve vonFoerster (Kathy) and Ellen, Anna and Julie. Brother of Ronnie vonForester and Natalie Spaulding. Uncle of Bobby Bennington (Arlene) and Anna and several other nieces and nephews. Memorial service Friday 11 a.m. at A.J. Desmond & Sons (Vasu, Rodgers & Connell Chapel), 32515 Woodward (btwn 13-14 Mile). Family will receive friends Thursday 3-8 p.m. Memorial tributes to The University of Michigan - David Reisman, MRS B2 B570B, 1150 W. Medical Center Dr., Ann Arbor, MI 48109-0676 or Goodwill Industries, 3111 Grand River, Detroit, MI 48208. View obituary and share memories at: www.desmondfuneralhome.com

KAREN SOKOLOSKI

October 19, 2008. Age 56. Born in Brown City. Died unexpectedly in her Redford home where she resided for 30 years. The beloved wife of Patrick. Dear mother of Matthew (Diane) and Katherine (Rodney) Nastal. Grandmother of Josephine, Charles and Allison. Sister of Karla (Tim) Lahrs, Denise Schultze, and Randy (Kirsten) Schultze. Visitation Manns-Ferguson Funeral Home, 17000 Middlebelt Road (S. of 6 Mile) on Wednesday from 5 to 9 p.m. and Thursday from 2 to 9 p.m. Scripture Service Thursday at 7 p.m. In State Friday 9 a.m. until time of Mass 9:30 a.m. at St. Aidan's Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. Please share a memory at www.mannsfuneralhome.com

ISOBEL L. LETCHER

Age 90, of Plymouth and Venice, FL, passed away peacefully on October 19, 2008. She was born on February 21, 1918 in Armadale, Scotland to Charles and Catherine (Hodge) Williamson. Isobel was united in marriage to Herbert Letcher on November 16, 1941; they spent 66 loving years together until his death in 2007. She graduated from Cooley High School in Detroit. She received a Bachelor of Arts and Teaching Certification from Wayne State University. Isobel was a Kindergarten teacher for the Farmington Public Schools for over 25 years. She was a member of Orchard United Methodist Church in Farmington Hills and Grace Methodist Church in Venice, Florida. For 30 years Herbert and Isobel would winter in Venice. She volunteered as a tutor at Venice Elementary School. She loved being on the beach in the morning and had an extensive collection of beach treasures. Isobel was a world traveler and visited many historical points of interest. She enjoyed knitting, needlepoint, and bird watching. She also liked playing the piano and teaching others to play as well. Isobel was a member of NOMADS, the Farmington Education Assoc., the Robert Burns Society, the National Audubon Society, and the American Association of University Women. She is survived by her children Leith Letcher, Lindsay (Elizabeth) Letcher, and Cheryl Huizing; her grandchildren Kevin (Vanessa) Letcher, Julie (Nick) Smith, Shelly (Jeff) Bush, Jason Huizing, and Heather (Earl) Kirkpatrick, and 11 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, and her sister, Avys Terrill. Visitation will be held Thursday from 2-8pm at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. 122 W. Dunlap, Northville. The funeral service will be held Friday at 11am, with viewing at 10am, at Orchard United Methodist Church 30450 Farmington Rd., Farmington Hills, MI 48334. Donations suggested to Orchard United Methodist Church or Eaton Community Hospice 2675 South Cochran, Charlotte, MI 48813.

MARJORIE CLAIRE PARRISH


Of Chelsea, Michigan, formerly of Livonia. Age 95. Died Saturday, October 18, 2008 at her daughter's home. She was born July 14, 1913 in Detroit, Michigan, the daughter of Charles & Clara (Thomas) Hirst. Marjorie was a long time resident of Livonia. She was an active member of the Newburg United Methodist Church of Livonia. On December 2, 1950, she married Elliott Parrish in Detroit, and he preceded her in death in 1985. She is survived by a son, Stephen Parrish of Livonia; a daughter, Melanie (Wallace) Hopp of Chelsea; five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her brothers, Mason and Charles Hirst, and her sister Rose Mary Smith. Funeral services will be held Saturday, October 25, 11:00 am at Cole Funeral Chapel, Chelsea, with Rev. Marie Kuykendall officiating. Burial will follow at North Farmington Cemetery, Farmington Hills. The family will receive friends from 10:00-11:00 before the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Huron Valley Humane Society. Arrangements by Cole Funeral Chapel, Chelsea.

Memorial Service For JAMES S. WILLOUGHBY

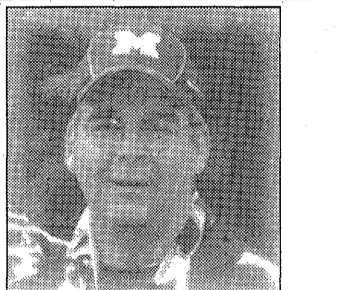
A Memorial/Celebration Service will be held for Jim Willoughby on October 29th, 2008 at the Ford Education Center, Detroit Zoological Park in Royal Oak, MI at 5 pm. Entrance to the Center is at the far west end of the main parking lot, parking included. For information, 772-231-3702.

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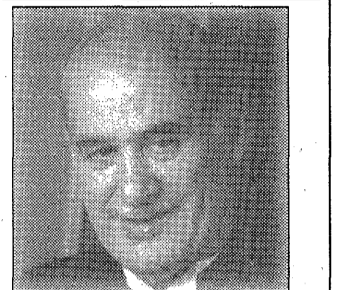


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MILT THACKABERRY

Suddenly October 20, 2008, age 54 of Canton. Cherished husband of Cindy. Fantastic father of Mike and Andy. Dear brother of Virginia. Dear son-in-law of Howard and Betty Wikel. Funeral Friday, 11AM at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 West Ann Arbor Rd. (btwn. Sheldon and Beck), Plymouth. Visitation Thursday, 4-8PM. Memorials may be made to Canton Community Foundation or Habitat for Humanity. For full obituary or to leave a message of condolence, visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com



ANTONIO FRANCISCO RUGIERO SR.

June 18, 1938 - October 19, 2008. Born in San Giovanni Fiore, Calabria Italy. He resided in Dearborn Heights, MI and is one of five siblings, a brother Giuseppe and sisters Maria, Emilia and Gina. A family man, married to Enrica Rugiero. Dear father of four sons and ten grandchildren; Patrick Attilio (wife Christine) with five children, Dante, Giovanni, Julia, Angelo and Malaina. Robert Attilio (wife Christina). Anthony Jr. (wife Sabrina) with four children, Adrianna, Antonio V., Vanessa, Attilio B. In his youth, Antonio attended the Pietra Fitta Montasteri in Cosenza, Italy and later completed a college business degree. He came to America in 1960 and two years later borrowed \$2,000 to open a small pizzeria in the south end of Dearborn on Dix Ave., east of Miller Road - thus, Roman Village Restaurant was born. The American Dream, for Antonio started with his small pizzeria with a contract written on the back side of a placemat. With great commitment to serving excellent food and willingness to literally work day and night, Papa Rugiero created a thriving business that grew and so did his family. His four sons carried the tradition and began Antonio's Cucina Italiana (after their father). Four restaurants later, Antonio's legacy continues with his family businesses now operating under his son's supervision. Lifelong friend of the Rugiero family, Mr. Frank Stella, owner F.D. Stella Products who worked with Antonio when he began his business describes him as "A great man, Godly, interested in people, loves family, loves his customers who all became his friends. Antonio had all the elements a business man should possess; quality, integrity and extraordinary gift of service." Antonio was a man of great respect, a successful entrepreneur, community leader and contributor to charitable causes including Dearborn Hts. Spirit Fest, the Feast of St. Antonio, Dine Out Detroit, Breast Cancer awareness, Diabetes Foundation and numerous others. Throughout his life his family and close friends say he was a man with a big heart. He was always ready to support his community sponsoring neighborhood events such as kid's hockey teams, baseball and football teams and proud to let them carry the name Roman Village & Antonio's on their jerseys. He cared about his community and country and supported both local and national politics. Mayor Dan Paletko of Dearborn Heights said "Antonio will be deeply missed and in his life has made an important contribution to the metro-Detroit area. We will all have fond memories of his entrepreneurship and the legacy he has left to his family and to all of us through his exceptional restaurants." Mayor Jack O'Reilly of Dearborn said "Some people define the character of our City and Tony Rugiero Sr was one of those people. From 1964 to today, he and Rita created a warm glow around The Roman Village and attracted people from all over the region to a special feeling of family. Tony loved every one of his customers and it showed." Funeral Mass 11:00 a.m. Thursday, October 23 at St. Clement Roman Catholic Church, 5275 Kenilworth St., Dearborn. Procession to follow. Interment St. Hedwig Cemetery, 23755 Military, Dearborn Heights.



SISTER MARY SIMONE COURTAIDE, RSM

Sister of Mercy, Nurse, Advocate for the Poor

A Sister of Mercy for 46 years, died on October 18, 2008 at McAuley Center. She was 64. Of Farmington Hills, MI. She was born to Henry and Johanna (VanOeffelen) Courtaide in Grand Haven, Michigan on May 26, 1944 and named Agnes Rose at her baptism. She joined the Sisters of Mercy in 1962, receiving the name Sister Mary Simone in 1963, and made perpetual vows in 1970. Sister Simone earned a bachelor's degree in nursing from Mercy College of Detroit and a master's from Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio. During her 33 years of direct hospital service, she served as a staff nurse at St. Mary's Hospital, Grand Rapids; staff nurse, head nurse and director of clinical nursing at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital/ Samaritan Health Center, Detroit; and gerontological clinical nurse specialist and vice president for mission services at Mercy Hospital, Muskegon. Sister Simone served on the boards of St. Mary's Hospital, Grand Rapids, MI; St. Joseph Mercy-Oakland, Pontiac, MI; and Battle Creek Health System. She was an active member of the Gerontological Clinical Nurse Specialist Group, Sigma Theta Tau nursing honor society and other organizations, and published a number of articles in professional journals. One of Sister Simone's experiences during a sabbatical year in 2000 was immersion in the work of the Sisters of Mercy in Belize. Although she had spent 15 years at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Detroit and was aware of the needs of an impoverished, aging, inner city population, she said it was in Belize that she lived and worked with the poorest of the poor. She returned from her sabbatical determined to do whatever she could to help, but soon discovered a recurrence of the cancer for which she had been treated six years earlier. Despite her deteriorating health, Sister Simone developed a way to help persons in Caribbean and Latin American countries who were suffering poverty. Using the interest from her inheritance and donations from friends and colleagues, she established the Courtade Latin American-Caribbean Fund in 2004 in memory of her parents. The first grants were awarded in 2005 to Mercy ministries in Latin American and Caribbean countries. Although annual requests for funds far exceeded the ability to respond, she continued to work toward the fund's growth until shortly before her death. Sister Simone is remembered for her practical wisdom, her optimism, her gentle sense of humor and her faith as she battled cancer for fourteen years. She underwent several series of chemotherapy and radiation treatments and continued to hope for a cure, but knew that it might not be possible. She often said she would live one day at a time and enjoy it as much as possible and so attended concerts, took vacations, advocated for peace and justice and continued an active interest in community affairs. Sister Simone is survived by her sisters Margaret Junio of Nunica, MI, and Elizabeth Basket of Bristol, IN; her brother Joseph of Grand Rapids, MI; several nieces and nephews; many friends; and by the members of her Mercy community. A welcoming service was held on October 20, 2008 at McAuley Center, 28750 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, with a Scripture/remembrance that evening. Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated on October 21, 2008 in the McAuley Center Chapel. McCabe Funeral Home, Farmington Hills, is in charge of arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to the Courtade Latin American-Caribbean Ministry Fund, 29000 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48336-1405.

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Buy a pumpkin and help youth ministry

Students involved in the youth ministry program at Orchard United Methodist Church in Farmington Hills are selling pumpkins to earn money for mission work in 2009.

Each year they go to a different community in need, such as a Native American town in Minnesota, an Appalachian town in rural Tennessee, or an urban community such as the Binghampton area of Memphis, to help repair or replace roofing, paint, build decks or porches, replace

insulation, and help with yard clean-up and landscaping.

For these students, service is not limited to one week in the summer. In order to qualify for the trip, the students must participate in local service projects all during the year. The approximately 40 students raise money and make lunches for the homeless through the NOAH Project, bake Christmas cookies for elderly shut-ins, and participate in many other activities.

Deb Hobson, a church spokeswoman, said students

won't travel far from home for their mission trip in summer 2009.

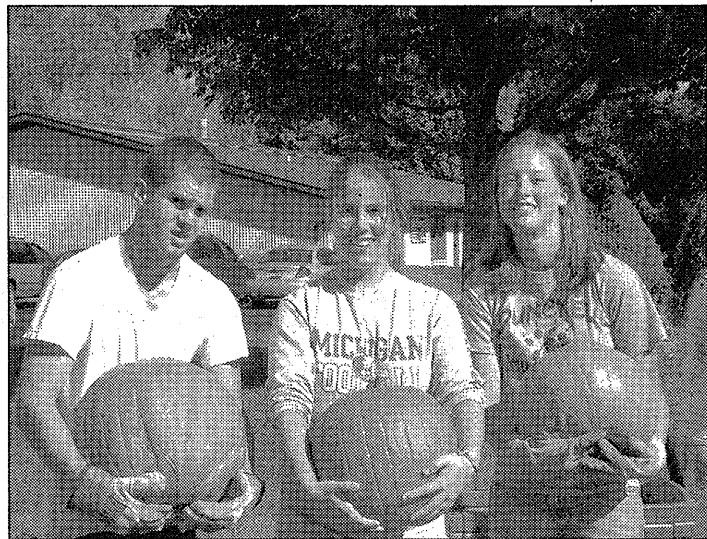
"It's all local this year," she said. "There is a mission in Detroit they'll be working with."

The Pumpkin Patch, which has been the group's primary fundraiser for 12 years faced a challenge this year when Farmington Road closed to through-traffic because of construction at 14 Mile Road. In the inter-faith spirit of hospitality, Church of Today West agreed to host the Pumpkin

Patch to allow the youth visibility and access to traffic. Students are selling pumpkins from 11 a.m.-8 p.m., through Oct. 31, at Church of Today West, 32500 W. 13 Mile, just east of North Farmington High School.

"They do a great job," Hobson complimented students.

For more information about youth ministry at Orchard United Methodist Church, call the church at (248) 626-3620. Or visit www.orchardumc.org Sharon Dargay



Cody Goodwin, (left), of Walled Lake Western High School, Heather Lawrence of North Farmington High School, and Kelsey Gallett of Farmington High School, are selling pumpkins for their youth ministry program at Orchard United Methodist Church in Farmington Hills.

LEADERS

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He is speaking on the Islamic perspective of justice from 3:15 to 4:20 p.m. Nov. 10. Walid is executive director of the Michigan branch of the Council on American-Islamic Relations, the advocacy and civil liberties organization for Muslims based in Southfield. Walid deals daily with complaints ranging from hate speech to discrimination in the workplace and school.

"It's the Muslim responsibility to be just even it's against our individual selves, parents, a close loved one, according to the mandate of the Qur'an. God instructs the Muslim to seek to institute social justice for all people including freedom of religion as well as the right to have dignity through economic stability," said Walid. "Two summers ago I was at an Interfaith Partners event praying for peace. There was some rhetoric and signs being held by a Palestinian Christian the Jewish community took

exception to. I spoke out. It had a Star of David and a Nazi sign on the other side. Not only was the sign an attack on Jewish faith but Islamic, because David is a prominent prophet mentioned in the Qur'an. When we see discrimination against others we speak out against discrimination and hate crimes against Muslims, but in those cases where people discriminate or incite religious tension in America we're mandated to speak out as well. If anyone's religious freedoms are being violated it jeopardizes our ability to practice our

bona fide beliefs."

CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVE

Rev. Jeff Nelson also will talk about justice from 3:15-4:20 p.m. Nov. 10. Nelson is associate pastor of mission and outreach programs at First United Methodist Church of Birmingham.

He'll share what he has learned as a youth leader.

About four years ago the teens at First United wanted to do something about the HIV/AIDS epidemic in Africa so they set out to collect a single penny for every

person infected in Africa — 23 million. So far they've raised just under \$230,000 which has gone to direct relief to Africa.

"It all led from kids' passion. They just didn't want to be silent on this. I'm going to talk about allowing young people to have a voice," said Nelson.

"The conference is a great opportunity to bring together metro Detroit, such a diverse area religiously with more kids going to school where it's more diverse and worshipping in places where that diversity isn't talked about. Youth leaders

can come together and talk about how they live with their neighbors. We have to learn to listen better, learn from our religious neighbors, We're not the only ball game in town. We're right; they're wrong. We have to reach a point where we can work together."

Imam Achmat Salie speaks on the topic of peace from 10-11:45 a.m. Nov. 10. Salie founded the Islamic studies program at Oakland University where he lectures and directs the program.

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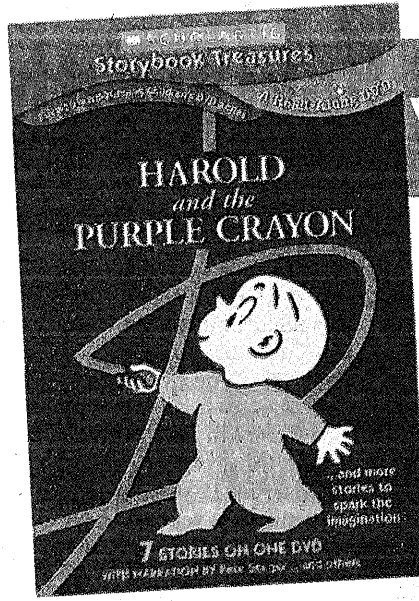
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violet picks

The PINK staff congratulates Features Editor Wendy Von Buskirk and her husband Jeff VonBuskirk on the birth of their second child, and first girl, on Friday, Oct. 17. Violet Von Buskirk was 8 pounds 12 ounces and joins big brother Verick, 3. With warm wishes, we've compiled a list of fun, fashionable Violet Picks in her honor:



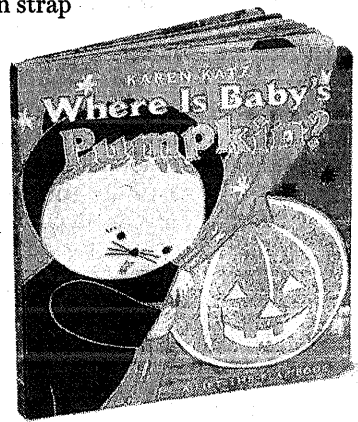
DVD It!
Harold and the Purple Crayon with narration by Pete Seeger



Wear It!
A "Born to Rock" pink body suit with a vintage Pebbles Flintstone graphic by Baby Gap

Click It!
Violetgumdrop.com where you'll find personalized baby gifts by West Bloomfield's Darcee Matlen

Kick It!
Amarissa satin strap shoes in purple by Ralph Lauren Baby



Tivo It!
It's the Great Pumpkin Charlie Brown, showing 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 28 on ABC

Tote It!
Kate Spade's Zermatt Stevie Baby Bag in eggplant, with a yellow changing pad included

Drink It!
Earth's Best Infant Organic Formula

Mane It!
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Eat It!
Yummy Spoonfuls Mushy Yummy Mashed Organic Blueberry and Banana Cereal - when she's on solid food!

Smell It!
Mother Nature's Sweet Violet Baby Lotion

Experience It!
Baby and Me Yoga at Namaste in Royal Oak

Hear It!
Wendy's band, The Mydols. Hear them at myspace.com/themydols

Read It!
Where is Baby's Pumpkin by Karen Katz
Compiled by PINK staffers Stephanie Angelyn Casola, Lana Mini and Susan Steinmueller. PINK Picks returns in its regular form next Thursday with the winner of our annual PINK PICKS contest, Deborah Keller of Rochester Hills.

See It!
Barney and Friends on PBS Kids - he's a purple dinosaur



Ringtone It!
Violet by Hole on ring-tonematcher.com

Wearable Art

Sharon Meyer celebrates 25 Years of distinction

BY WENDY VON BUSKIRK
O&E STAFF WRITER

Over her 25-year career, Sharon Meyer's jewelry has become collectible art.

The Troy resident said her clients have necklaces, bracelets, rings and earrings purchased in 1983 that they are still wearing today.

One had her necklace mounted in a shadowbox so she could hang it on the wall. Another invested in a beautiful bowl so she could display her piece when she didn't have it on.

Their stories inspired Meyer to create the coffee table book *25 Years of Distinctive Jewelry*, to document her work past and present.

"The book is actually being delivered today from the publisher," Meyer said during a recent interview with PINK from her private jewelry studio in Troy. "What I wanted to do is create an art book, because my work is so full of color and every piece is so different."

Meyer, also a photographer, shot the book's photos herself, rounding up classic pieces from clients, as well as capturing her newest collections.

For the elegant cover photo, she shipped in a live albino peacock to represent the ornate illustrated bird that has always been her logo.

Meyer said she has enjoyed

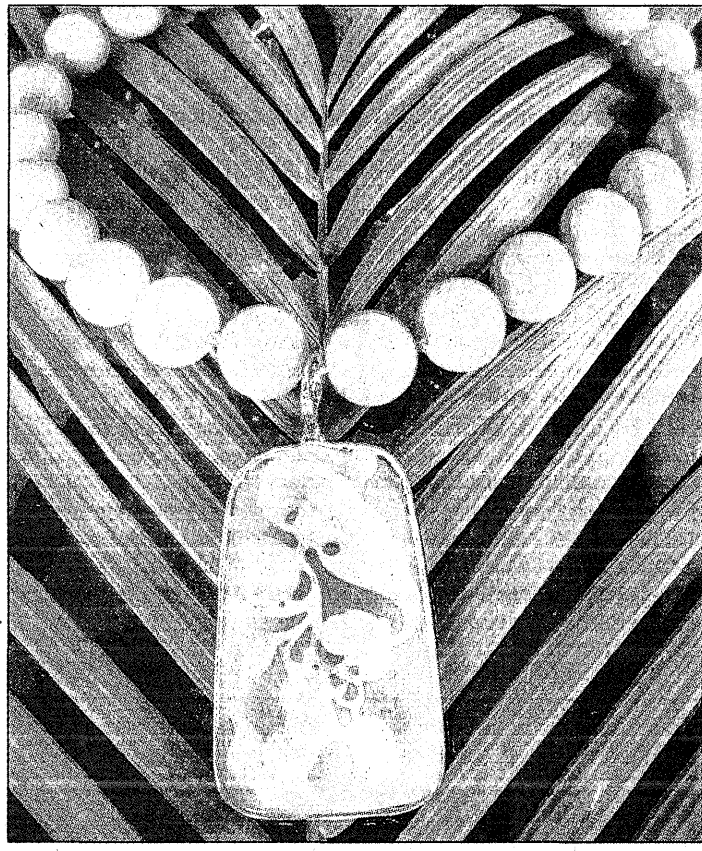
SHARON MEYER PERSONAL APPEARANCE

What: Jewelry Designer Sharon Meyer celebrates her company's 25th anniversary with a book signing, trunk show and personal appearance

When: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 24; noon-6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25

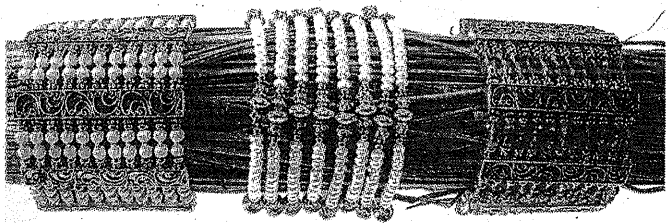
Where: Saks Fifth Avenue, 2901 W. Big Beaver, Troy

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PHOTOS BY SHARON MEYER

This piece by Sharon Meyer Jewelry Amalgamations is made from 18k gold, jade beads strung on knotted silk, and a stunning, detachable carved jade pendant (\$17,750).



These stunning cuffs, made from semi-precious beads and metals (\$1,200-\$2,400), are among the statement pieces created by Troy-based jewelry designer Sharon Meyer.

working with her hands since she was a child. High school metalsmithing classes set her on the path to jewelry-making. "The passion just grew," she said. "I began working with beads, stones and pearls as well, combining them with the metalwork, which really gives you a much broader fashion base to work with."

In 1983, she began selling Sharon Meyer Distinct Jewelry Amalgamations Ltd. at Jacobson's, the Detroit Institute of Arts Museum Shop, and the Charles Warren fine jewelry store at Somerset.

Her work was an instant hit, picked up nationally that same year by the Charles Warren chain, as well as museum shops across the country. For eight years her sterling silver designer line was sold at Neiman Marcus. Later, Saks Fifth Avenue began carrying her 18k gold couture line.

She also exhibits about 150 pieces each year at the Sculpture Objects & Functional Art expos in New York and Chicago.

Each piece starts with a sketch and no two are exactly alike. They include luxurious lariats capped with beaded tassels, multiple strand bracelets, exquisite carved jade pendants, and semi-precious stones strung on hand-knotted silk.

"When you hold up a strand they cascade. I have 40 different colors and sizes of silk," she said. "My studio is like an artist's palette. Instead of paint I have all different color stones."

Meyer always wears her own jewelry, and makes changes if it

doesn't feel right. "You need to be comfortable in it," she said. "I want you to feel like you just put on a silk blouse."

A long-time member of Fashion Group International, Meyer was named "member of the month" for October.

Saks Fifth Avenue Somerset will honor her with a private luncheon on Saturday, Oct. 25.

Also, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 24 and noon-6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25, Meyer will host a public appearance at Saks — complete with champagne, sweets and informal modeling — to sign books and display her latest collection.

Her son Lewis' band Trio will entertain, while her other son, 19-year-old Nicholas, and husband, Kurt, show their support.

Cheryl Hall Lindsay, director of fashion for Saks Somerset, met Meyer through FGI at the start of her career and is excited to help her celebrate her 25th year in business.

"Sharon's jewelry is very special," Lindsay said. "Her pieces are eye-catching and entry-making, and they can turn a great little black dress into an outstanding ensemble."

Sharon Meyer Distinctive Jewelry is available at Saks Fifth Avenue, and at Spiralz Studio of Contemporary Jewelry Design, 230 Merrill, in Birmingham. Visit her website at www.sharonmeyerjewelry.com.

Malls & Mainstreets

Macy's 150th
METRO DETROIT - Visit Macy's on Oct. 25 to help celebrate the department store's 150th anniversary. The first 150 customers at the main entrance will receive a complimentary \$15 Gift Card valid on that day only. Stores open at 10 a.m. Select locations will celebrate with cupcakes, balloons, in-store performances and more. Visit macy.com/events for more information.

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