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Jaycees, Rotary play Santa helpers to city

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

It's not on his resumé, but longtime Westland community volunteer Gary Bulson sure seems like one of Santa's helpers.

He certainly delivered the holiday gifts this month,

turning over \$20,000 to city officials to improve a neighborhood park, boost historic preservation efforts, keep police motorcycles on the street, buy Christmas toys for needy children and support child fire-prevention education.

To be sure, Bulson didn't raise the money by himself. He

got help from others involved in the charitable Westland Jaycees and Rotary Club.

With a few volunteers at his side, Bulson was the front-line spokesman Monday evening when he brought the donations to appreciative city leaders during a Westland City Council meeting.

"I like those nights," said Bulson, owner of the Westland-based Men on the Move company.

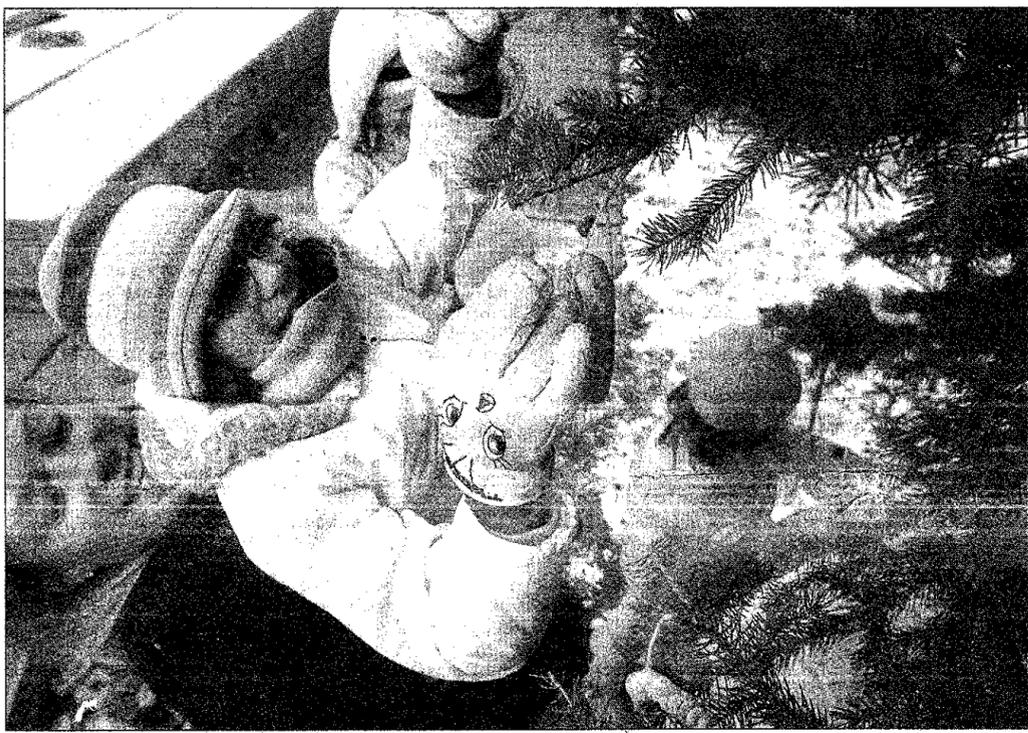
The largest single donation of \$13,000 came from the Rotary Club to help pay for a quarter-mile walking path already installed in Rotary Park, near Marquette and Wayne.

The money boosted the city's adopt-a-park program and helped pay for the \$28,000 project, Westland Parks & Recreation Director Robert Kosowski said.

Bulson and volunteers also made several donations on behalf of the Jaycees, including \$3,000 for the city fire

department's child fire-safety program; \$2,000 for the police department's motorcycle unit; \$1,000 for the Westland Goodfellows' "No Child Without A Christmas" campaign; \$500 for the Westland Historic Village Park's pres-

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Lori Millbauer lifts her daughter Sarah, a fifth-grader at Edison Elementary and a member of the Junior Girl Scouts, Troop 162 place a bagel with bird seed on one of the spruce trees outside the Westland Bailey Center.

Decking the trees

Students and scout troops helped decorate the trees Wednesday between Westland City Hall and the Bailey Recreation Center. Mayor William Wild and Santa also were on hand. Children also had an opportunity to make their own Victorian scrap art ornament inside the Bailey Center. The afternoon included a sing-along and refreshments.



PD Graham first-grader Ashlyn Kiedrowski (left) and second-grader Jason Hamilton who is a cub scout, pack 765 pick out the pine cones dipped in bird seed to be hung on the spruce trees outside the Bailey Center.

'Amazing': Soldier in sync with his poetry

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

"Passion, Ardor, Eagerness. And you say that these are they

Which will deliver me from the sins of my father."

Adrian Massey remembers clearly where he was when he wrote his very first poem: fall 1999 while studying at the University of Groningen, the Netherlands.

And eight years after the fact, he easily recalls the first few lines of that poem, *Passion, Ardor, Eagerness*, written about "accepting the pain I carried growing up without my father."

"For the first time the grudge was gone and I felt better," wrote Massey in an e-mail from Iraq where he is serving a second tour of duty with the U.S. Army. "That poem is the only poem that has not been typed into a Word document, but it is folded in a memento box on its original paper."

An Army captain soon to be a major, Massey is now a published poet with the release of his book, *A Soldier's Poetic Response: A Slice of His Life* by Robbie Dean Press in Ann Arbor.

The poetry covers a broad spectrum of subjects from a tribute to fallen comrades and recalling the day when he was 6 years old that his mother told his father to leave to the Vinyl Joe Music Café in Ypsilanti and poems written for his brother, Darren, and daughter, Anaya.

"Poetry to me is a lifestyle, it's the natural rhythm of who we are," Massey said. "It's the expression of the human expe-



U.S. Army Capt. Adrian Massey (right) says that being in Iraq has made his poetry darker and more serious. Beside him is Sgt. Johnathan Garrison, Stryker vehicle operator and driver.

rience."

Massey's journey to poetry and the military started at Wayne Memorial High School where school psychologist William Gray and colleague Lynn Malinoff met him in 10th grade.

'INSPIRATION TO OTHERS'

"He's an amazing young man and his poetry and success have been an inspiration to others," said Gray. "It's amazing the motivation people get from him."

According to Gray, Massey was led to believe he wasn't college material, so he and Malinoff helped get him in a six-week program at Eastern Michigan University. Students who passed were invited to attend the university. Massey passed, but he faced a problem, paying for his education. He looked over what was available and went with the ROTC program.

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B-I-N-G-O: Woman dances with joy after \$64,671 win

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Westland bingo devotee Anayes Barmakzian didn't hold back when she won \$64,671 while playing at the Cherry Hill Bingo Hall in Inkster.

"I danced across the floor and cried at the same time," she said.

Barmakzian, 53, won after

she filled an entire bingo card within the allotted 52 numbers that had been called out during a Big Money Bingo game at the hall at Cherry Hill and Henry Ruff roads. By the rules, the game would have ended if she or another player hadn't won with the 52nd number.

"I couldn't believe it," Barmakzian said. "I never win this kind of money. The most I

ever won was around \$1,000." She raked in her winnings Saturday, Dec. 1, in the state-wide Big Money Bingo game.

Michaleen Lewis, who helps run bingo games in places like Inkster and Livonia, said Big Money Bingo players pay \$3 for a card that has three games on it.

"She won on the very last number to be called that day,"

Lewis said.

Big Money Bingo has a progressive jackpot that starts at \$10,000 and grows each day until it is won. The game begins at 49 balls drawn, and the number of balls drawn grows by one each week until a winner is declared.

For more on the game, go online to www.michigan.gov/cg and click on the Big Money

Bingo link.

Barmakzian said she only plans to keep \$5,000 of her winnings for herself. She said she will give the rest to her son, her daughter and her 10-month-old granddaughter.

"I want to save some money so she can go to college," Barmakzian said.

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Anayes Barmakzian, sitting, holds a winning bingo card that paid \$64,671. At her left is another bingo player, Josie Gresser of Wyandotte.

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Friends gather for candlelight vigil

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Members of the Compassionate Friends know the holidays are tough times for people who've lost loved ones, especially children.

In an effort to help with the grief, The Compassionate Friends, Western Wayne County (Livonia) Chapter, sponsor a candle-lighting ceremony in Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth Sunday, Dec. 9, in conjunction with Children's Memorial Day.

"The holidays are especially difficult for parents who have lost children," said committee member Gail Lafferty. "This candle-lighting ceremony hon-

oring them helps their memory live on."

The ceremony will include the dedication of a tree decorated with ornaments with the children's names, a candle-light vigil, a reading of the children's names, poetry and songs.

The local ceremony includes the candle-lighting at 7 p.m. in conjunction with the worldwide candle-lighting. The idea is that, as candles burn down in one time zone, they're lit in another, creating a 24-hour memorial.

Recognized in communities around the world, International Children's Memorial Day is already officially sanctioned by the U.S. Congress.

"Hundreds of families will gather near a tree specially decorated with the names of children who have died too soon," Lafferty said.

For more information or to register a child, call or e-mail candle-lighting committee members Gail Lafferty, tcf-candlelight@yahoo.com or (734) 981-4528 or Virginia Herrick, herrick@millercafield.com or (248) 449-7598.

The Compassionate Friends is an international, nonprofit, nondenominational, self-help organization offering friendship, understanding and hope to bereaved families with the loss of their children.

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Police investigate domestic stabbing

Westland police are investigating a stabbing that Lt. Daniel Karrick said occurred shortly after 4 a.m. Friday at Wilderness Park Apartments, on Warren Road east of Newburgh.

Police had initially gone to an apartment to investigate a

domestic dispute, and officers took a woman to jail, Karrick said.

In apparent retaliation, some of her friends went to the apartment to confront the woman's boyfriend, and one of those friends is accused of stabbing

him three times — twice in the right arm and once in the right abdomen area.

The victim was taken to a local hospital. The investigation was continuing, and charges could be coming from the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office.

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Skate with Santa

Join Santa at 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, at Westland's Mike Modano ice arena for "Skate with Santa." Admission is free with donation of an unwrapped toy to benefit Toys for Tots. The event will be followed by a figure-skating exhibition 3-4:50 p.m. featuring performers of all ages who will march and double jump their way through *Little Drummer Boy*, *Jingle Bells*, and other holiday favorites. This performance will assist another non-profit organization — the Westland Goodfellows. The \$10 fee each participant paid to skate will be donated to the organization. The Mike Modano Ice Arena is located at 6210 N. Wildwood, just north of Ford Road. For additional information, please call (734) 729-4560.

White Christmas

Regardless of Mother Nature's plans, one lucky Westland resident will be gifted with snow for Christmas. A truckload of snow will be delivered to the front lawn of the winner of the city's *We Promise You a White Christmas Poster Contest* on Dec. 21, if snow isn't already on the ground. Eligible participants must be kindergarten through 5th grade students who live in Westland. Posters must depict what their home would look like covered in snow on Christmas Day and must include name, age, address, home phone number, as well as the name of their school and grade. Entries may be dropped off or mailed to the

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Westland Parks and Recreation Department and must be received by 10 p.m. Dec. 14. The Westland Parks and Recreation Department is located at 36651 Ford Road. If snow is present on the 21st another prize will be given. For more information, call (734) 722-7620.

Bowl with Santa

Grange No. 389 and Westland parks will sponsor Bowl With Santa 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, at Town 'n' Country Lanes. Children and adults are invited. Cost per person is \$7 and includes a game of bowling, shoes, hot dog, drink, a visit with Santa, and more. Pre-registration is necessary. For more information, call Jeff Goodfellow at (734) 722-8324. This event will help raise money for the third-grade dictionary program for Wayne/Westland Community Schools. The bowling alley is located at 1100 S. Wayne, between Avondale and Palmer.

Goodfellows help

The Westland Friendship Center is collecting hats, scarves, mittens, gloves, and new, unwrapped toys for the Goodfellows' "No Child Without a Christmas" campaign. Donors are invited to bring items to the Friendship Center no later than 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 14. The Friendship Center is located at 1119 N. Newburgh between Ford Road and Marquette.

Library concert

Enjoy a relaxing evening of music with renowned classi-

cal guitarist Paul Vondiziano who will regale listeners with selections from classic masters such as Bach at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 11, at the Westland public library. Stop by or call (734) 326-6123 to reserve a seat.

Concert, toy drive

The Westland Community Foundation is inviting the public to a Christmas reception featuring John Glenn High School's Glenn Singers 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 13, in the school's media center, on Marquette between Newburgh and Wayne.

The cost is to bring an unwrapped, new toy as a donation for children being helped by the Westland-based Salvation Army.

Refreshments and hors d'oeuvres will be prepared by Chef Tony and his students from the William D. Ford Career-Technical Center.

A drawing will be held at 7 p.m. for a raffle for a new truck.

Attire is business casual. Anyone planning to attend should call (734) 595-7727.

Wrestling Club

Westland Bottle Rockets is a wrestling club for ages 5-14. The club meets on Monday and Wednesdays from 5:30-7:00 p.m. in Gym 4 of John Glenn High School, 36105 Marquette, west of Wayne Road, Westland, Michigan. The club runs from November through March and costs \$20. For questions or more information, contact Judy at judyawl122@yahoo.com or calling (734) 634-4595.

POET

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"Adrian was always looking for roads to travel and at what he should do next," said Gray. "He made use of the opportunities in front of him."

Massey was a junior in college when he wrote his first poem. His next one, *Poetry of Life*, he shared with one of his best friends, Delma Jackson III, who "forcibly encouraged me to enter the 2001 Eastern Michigan University Poetry Slam Contest by entering my name."

It was the first poem he ever performed. He ended up in a tie for first place with a "talented" Ann Arbor poet and earned a spot on the university's first poetry slam team which competed in the University Club Poetry Slam contest at the University of Michigan.

"I was a bit nervous because most of the poets there were extremely talented and had been writing for years and there I was with my two poems, trying to write on the fly," Massey said. "But things

turned out rather successful." "I saw him perform at a poetry slam and it was breathtaking," said Malinoff. "He was 100 percent focused and poised. It was stunning."

Massey describes himself as "writer by the moment." He hears words in his head and has to write them down "then and there." But he admits that his deployment has slowed him down. He sometimes works 14 hours a day seven days a week, but when he does have time, he writes.

"It's the balance I long for," he wrote. "It puts me in sync with who I am at the moment."

Massey added that the war has had an effect on his writing, making it a bit darker and more serious. He sometimes gets teased about being a soldier poet, but that's what soldiers do, make fun of one another, he said.

"By sharing my writing with my soldiers they have in turn shared their many talents with me," he added. "Soldiers are some of the most talented people you'll ever be around."

OTHERS INSPIRE

Massey gets his inspiration

from poets like Saul Williams, a pioneer in slam poetry, Langston Hughes, Nikki Giovanni and Kahlil Gibran, author of *The Prophet*. They encompass what he believes he has become as a writer and what he aspires to be, he said.

Gray and Malinoff have a close connection with Massey. Gray says he is "a child of my heart," Malinoff calls him one of "my kids."

"It's about friendship and connecting, when I first met him he was in an isolated area of the cafeteria, reading the Bible," said Gray, who suggested Massey had the potential to do a book. "I now think of him as another son."

The connection is apparent in the book's acknowledgments where Massey thanks Gray, "a father figure, mentor, friend, for making the commitment to love me every day..."

Massey also acknowledges his mother, Patricia Massey. She has read the book and cried through the first three chapters, Massey said.

"Being a hard-working woman that she is and having tried everything to keep my brother Darren and I right, I don't think she could have been happier reading my book for the first time," he said. "She's very proud."

Lois Strange, a student monitor at Wayne Memorial, has read Massey's book of poetry. She remembers Massey as generally nice, responsible and low-key.

She had no idea he wrote poetry until Gray gave her a copy of the book. She decided not to read all at once, but to savor each portion she reads. She said Massey's poetry represents his journey through life.

"I can see each stage, it's really, really deep," she said. "Adrian wanted to get as much life experience as he could. He always wanted to see what was around the corner."

Massey has not forgotten his alma mater and what it did for him. While at EMU, he came back to the school to be a tutor and mentor students.

"Four years ago he came to Wayne Memorial and did a presentation on poetry," said Gray. "He was just doing his thing like at a poetry slam, off the cuff. The kids were mesmerized by him."

Gray and Malinoff have taken on the job of promoting the book. Malinoff has contacted the Wayne and Westland libraries about hosting book events when he returns from overseas next spring. Westland Library Director Cheryl Napsha has talked about getting a blog started with Massey.

"I'd like to get one started, it would be great to have his perspective," said Napsha.

"He's an unbelievably amazing human being, very real, very genuine and humble," added Malinoff. "He's a great storyteller and poet."

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Rescue workers learn how to save trapped drivers

BY DARRELL CLEM
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In one scenario, a sports car has slammed under a school bus, and the injured driver could die unless firefighters get him out of the damaged vehicle within minutes.

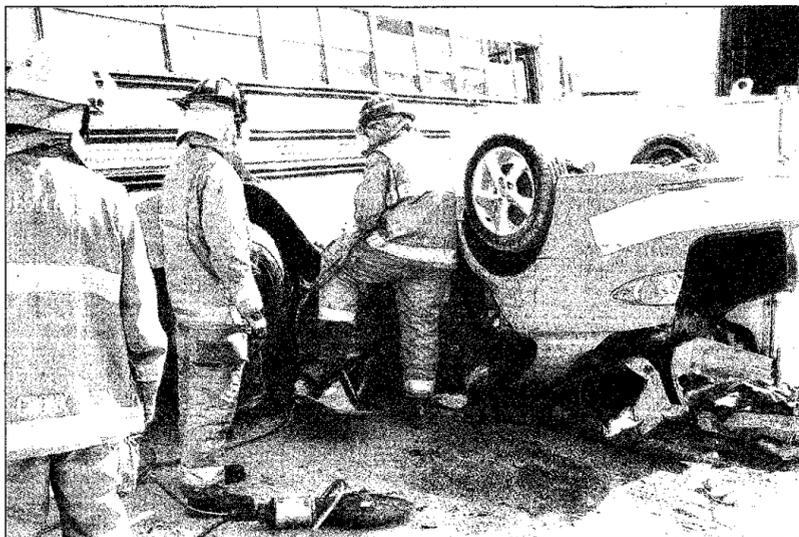
In another crash scene, a car has flipped over and landed upside down, partially wedged under a bus as paramedics scramble to save lives.

These situations may be rare, but Westland rescue workers are better prepared for them following a recent training program led by Assistant Fire Chief Scott Neal.

Not long after the three-day course had ended, he said, local firefighters had to rescue a teenager who accidentally drove a vehicle under a parked semi-trailer on a city street, stopping with his face only inches away from the truck. The teen survived.

"He hit it hard enough to where his face was almost right up against the semi-trailer," Neal said.

In all, 60 of the city's 80 firefighters have received the latest training aimed at rescuing victims in situations that can seem almost impossible. Using special equipment, they may have to pry open a door or peel back a car roof like opening a can — all without moving an injured driver.



Westland firefighters respond to a mock crash in which a car is flipped upside down and partially wedged under a school bus.

"We want to cut the car away from the patient as opposed to taking the patient out of the car," Neal said. "One small movement can further injure or paralyze a patient."

With help from a front-end loader brought in by the city's public service workers, firefighters staged six mock accidents in a three-day period. They used a full-sized school bus given to them by Michigan Truck Parks of Westland and two Mazdas donated by Auto Alliance of Flat Rock.

It marked the first time local firefighters had a chance to practice their training so extensively with a large vehicle — the school bus. They placed dummies inside the vehicles.

Firefighters also worked on mock patients, putting blankets over them and practicing ways to keep them calm until the rescue effort was completed.



Westland firefighters train to respond to crashes in which they may have to rescue victims from precarious situations.

Called an "extrication exercise," Neal said the training was only the latest way the fire department is upgrading its skills in hopes of better serving people whose lives may depend it.

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New playground equipment coming

Soon, students at Cleveland and Hayes elementary schools will have something new to look forward to at recess — new playground equipment.

Cleveland students will be able to climb the megarock, run across the funnel bridge and slide down the wave climber.

Hayes students will have the choice between the big foot slide, wishbone slide, spiral slide or L-shaped tube slide, among other bridges and platforms of their new playscape.

Both schools have only one playscape. The district's goal over the next several years is to have every elementary school, with appropriate space, to be outfitted with two playscapes, said Rod

Hosman, director of administrative services.

Both colorful playscapes, from Game Time Inc., will cost \$92,531, including installation.

Wood chips will be spread on the ground underneath. Hayes and Cleveland PTAs will contribute some of the funding. The remainder will come from the sinking fund, a voter-approved millage, which generates \$6 million per year for building and site improvements.

Jackson Center will also get new play structures, which are designed for younger children. One structure there had to be removed for safety reasons.

The school board voted unanimously Nov. 19 to approve the purchases.

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HELPERS

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ervation efforts; and \$500 for a new Bailey Recreation Center holiday tree.

The Jaycees also has donated 200 smoke detectors to the fire department, which will give them to

people who need them. Mayor William Wild lauded the Jaycees and Rotary Club for investing in the city.

"It shows what type of organizations we have here in the city of Westland," he said. "They raise the money and put it right back in the community."

Rotary Park's walking path will provide another

place for residents who formerly walked at Central City Park, which is closed off until a plan is developed to address the issue of contamination, mostly with lead.

Rotary members "spotted a need and stepped up to the plate," Wild said.

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Heart Pals Cardiac Support Group at 7:30 p.m. Group support is offered to cardiac patients and/or their significant other. Discussion, education and camaraderie are the focus. Call (734) 458-3242 for more information.

Tuesday, Dec. 11

Get Up and Move at 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. This is an invigorating exercise program designed to help you get up and get moving, and is the perfect compliment to your diet program. These classes will help you to make an easy transition back to an exercise program or help you to get started for the first time. Fee is \$30 per month. For more information, call

(734) 458-3242.

Diabetes Self-Management Education (third of four classes) at 9:30 a.m. This comprehensive series is planned to help people Live Well With Diabetes. Participants learn self-care skills of nutrition, exercise, medication management, monitoring of blood sugar levels, foot and skin care, prevention of problems and psychosocial issues. The program is certified by the Michigan Department of Community Health to assure quality and compliance with State and National Diabetes Education Standards. Physician referral is required. There is a fee, but reimbursement is available by Medicare, Medicaid and most commercial insurance plans. Call (734) 458-3481 for more information or to register.

Strength and Stretch at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. This is a non-aerobic exercise class designed to help you strengthen and define your muscles, as well as increase your flexibility. Each class will combine a variety of equipment, including free weights, medicine balls, balance balls, and Therabands in order to isolate and tone each of the major muscle groups. Fee is \$30 per month. For more information, call (734) 458-3242.

Power Hour at 3 and 5 p.m. An intense exercise class designed to take you to the next level in fitness. Every class will be different, but we guarantee that each one will be challenging and fun, with a variety of aerobic exercises to experience. Fee is \$30 per month. For more information, call (734) 458-3242.

Alzheimer's Support at 7 p.m. Sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association, family members, friends and caregivers of persons afflicted with Alzheimer's Disease or related disorders are invited to join this free monthly support group. The group will provide mutual aid, support and

the opportunity to share problems and concerns. Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month in the lower level classrooms of the Allen Breakie Medical Office Building (attached to the main hospital), 6255 N. Inkster Road, Garden City. Call (734) 458-4330 for more information.

Eating Disorders Support Group at 7 p.m. This support group is for those individuals with anorexia, bulimia, and compulsive and binge eating disorders. Both males and females are invited to attend. This meeting is held in the Garden City Hospital Auditorium. Call (734) 458-4330 for more information.

Self Help for Hard of Hearing (SHHH) at 7 p.m. Are you or someone you know hard of hearing? You're not alone. A free support group for people who are hard of hearing is held every third Wednesday of the month. Call (734) 458-3381 for more information.

CPAP and BiPAP Mask Fitting Clinic at 5 p.m. Attention, CPAP and BiPAP users: Did you know that most insurances cover new supplies every year? Have you been wanting to try a new style of mask, but don't know how to get one? Garden City Hospital's Sleep Disorders Center can help. Visit the Sleep Disorders Center in Room 329 at Garden City Hospital, 5-6 p.m. any Wednesday for a free mask fitting clinic. No appointment is needed. Call (734) 458-3330 with any questions or for more information.

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Strength and Stretch at 2 p.m. This is a non-aerobic exercise class designed to help you strengthen and define your muscles, as well as increase your flexibility. Each class will combine a variety of equipment, including free weights, medicine balls, balance balls, and Therabands in order to isolate and tone each of the major muscle groups. Fee is \$30 per month. For more information, call (734) 458-3242.

Daily Programs Garden City Hospital's Health Enhancement Center offers daily programs Monday through Friday in Phase II and III Cardiac Rehabilitation/Cardiac Wellness, a Peripheral Vascular Disease Exercise and Strength Training Program, and a Diabetes Exercise Program. These classes are presented and monitored by certified exercise physiologists. Contact the Health Enhancement Center at (734) 458-3242 to select an exercise program specifically designed for you.

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Focus on Living" Cancer Support at 7 p.m. A self-help group designed to bring together persons living with cancer. A nurse facilitator provides opportunities for all to share their mutual concerns. This meeting is free of charge. Call 734-458-3311 for further information.

Friday, Dec. 14 **Get Up and Move** at 9 a.m. This is an invigorating exercise program designed to help you get up and get moving, and is the perfect compliment to your diet program. These classes will help you to make an easy

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Listings for the Community Calendar can be submitted by e-mail at smason@hometownlife.com. They also can be mailed to Sue Mason at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or faxed to her attention at fax at (734) 591-7279. For more information, call (734) 953-2112.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Cookies with Santa
Academic Pathways Cooperative

Preschool, located at Mt. Hope Church at 30330 Schoolcraft Road, is hosting "Milk and Cookies with Santa" at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 14. Admission is \$4 per child, adults free. It includes cookies and milk/coffee, crafts, photo with Santa and a raffle ticket to win the signed copy of the Night Before Christmas Story that Santa will read to the children. Kids can wear their jammies, if they chose. Reservations

by no later than Dec. 9 by calling (734) 261-9540 or by e-mail kidsfirst@academicpathwayspreschool.com.

Wrestling Club
Westland Bottle Rockets is a wrestling club for ages 5-14. The club meets on Monday and Wednesdays from 5:30-7:00 p.m. in Gym 4 of John Glenn High School, 36105 Marquette, west of Wayne Road, Westland, Michigan. The club runs from November through March and costs \$20. For questions or more information, contact Judy at judylaw1122@yahoo.com or calling (734) 634-4595.

Free health class
A free health class, "Avoid Holiday Weight Gain," will be presented by Dr. Carol Ann Fischer, a holistic physician, wellness consultant and clinical nutritionist, 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 11, at the Alfred Noble Library, 32901 Plymouth Road, Livonia. You can have your cake and eat it too! If you know the secrets. Are you confused about good and bad oil? Not sure if the carb diet will work? Is butter really better? Sugar substitutes vs. real sugar, is there really a difference? Exercise? Who has the time? Take a natural approach to a healthier, new you. The class will be held limited to 30 seats. Call (734) 756-6904 to make a reservation.

New Year's Eve party
Ring in the New Year with Jimmy Howard & Company at a New Year's Party at the Livonia Elks, 3117 Plymouth Road in Livonia Monday,

Dec. 30. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.; party goes until 1 a.m. Dinner (oven-baked chicken and port tenderloin) served at 7:15 p.m. Tickets are \$60 per person. Due to the Christmas holiday, tickets must be purchased by Dec. 19. For more information, call Linda at (734) 507-9173 or Mary Ann at (734) 654-0115, or e-mail parties.2go2@yahoo.com

Higher Rock Cafe
The Wayne-Westland Salvation Army presents the Higher Rock Cafe the second and fourth Fridays of the month at its facility at 2300 Venoy, south of Palmer, Westland. Doors open at 8 p.m. Check it out on the Web at www.tsa.higherrockcafe.4t.com or call (734) 722-3660.

Fish Dial-A-Ride
One-day-a-month volunteer drivers are needed to transport seniors and disabled who are unable to drive to medical appointments. Phone messenger volunteers are also needed to help set up rides to the medical appointments. This is also a one-day-a-month opportunity that can be done right from home. People interested in helping can call Gary Simon at (734) 751-4101 or contact him by e-mail at GCHS.MCMLX@yahoo.com.

ORGANIZATIONS

Friends of Eloise
The Friends of Eloise group meets 6 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month in the dining room of the Kay Beard

Building, on Michigan between Middlebelt and Merriman. All are welcome. For information, call Jo Johnson, (734) 522-3918.

Toastmasters
The Westland Easy Talkers Toastmasters Club can help people overcome their fear of speaking in front of people by teaching public speaking in a friendly and supportive atmosphere. The club meets at 6:30 p.m. Monday at the Cozy Corner Family Dining, 35111 W. Michigan Ave. at Wayne Road, Wayne. For more information, call Vicki Brannon at (734) 467-7224 or Curt Gottlieb at (734) 525-8445.

TOPS
TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) M128 of Westland meets at 7 p.m. Mondays at Good Shepherd Reformed Church, 6500 N. Wayne Road, at Hunter, Westland. For more information, call Pat Strong at (734) 326-3539 or Mary Lowe at (734) 729-6879.

Democratic Club
The Garden City Democratic Club meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Thursday of the month (September through June) in Room 5 of the Maplewood Center, Maplewood west of Merriman. For more information, call Billy Pate at (734) 427-2344.

Citizens for Peace
Citizens for Peace meets at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at Unity of Livonia Church on Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster. The group is

dedicated to working for creation of a U.S. Department of Peace. All are welcome. Colleen Mills, (734) 425-0079.

MOMS club
MOMS Club, a non-profit support group, welcomes all western Wayne County stay-at-home mothers, offering children activities, weekly age-appropriate play groups, and family get-togethers. MOMS Club also performs service projects that benefit needy children in our community. For more details, call Birthe, (734) 458-8143 or Kimberly at (248)231-6120.

Vietnam Vets
The Plymouth-Canton Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 528, meet at 7:30 p.m. the second Monday of every month at the Plymouth VFW, Post 6695, on S. Mill Street, just north of Ann Arbor Road. If you served in the U.S. military between 1964 and 1975, even if not, "in country" (combat zone) you are still eligible to become a member. Visit the Web site at www.mihomtown.com/oe/PlymouthCantonVVA for more information.

In Harmony
The Wayne Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society meets at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Kirk of Our Savior Presbyterian Church, 36660 Cherry Hill, west of Wayne Road, Westland. Gentlemen interested in the chapter's Renaissance Chorus or who enjoy quartetting can call membership chairman Bob Wolf at (734) 421-1652, or attend a rehearsal.

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- Personal property described below in the matter of:
- 106- Deanna Harper- bed,sofa,tv
 - 654- Raymond C. Dennis- refrigerator,toolbox,golf clubs
 - 945- Leantre Terry- refrigerator,boxes,totes
 - 116- Lori Tecmire- boxes
 - 820- Barbara Gorno- Ac,totes,box
 - 1006- Brian Johnson-tv,box,bag
 - 1103- Richard Banta- Couch,box,bag
 - 1104- Jodi Aday- boxes,bags,totes
 - 133- Nyla Bagwell- boxes,bags,totes
 - 139- James Davis- washer,dryer,refrigerator
 - 225- Stacy Cruse- totes,sofa,dresser
 - 422- Rikki Manning- a/c,bed,tv
 - 524- Debra Higgins- boxes,bags,totes
 - 601- Gaetano D Snipes- tv,table,lamp
 - 632- Chuck Metcalfe- bike,box,sofa
 - 944- Lisa Rudzik-microwave,totes,sofa

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NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF WESTLAND WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN FOR THE JANUARY 15, 2008 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION

Please take Notice that the Presidential Primary Election in the City of Westland will be held on Tuesday, January 15, 2008.

The last day on which persons may register in order to be eligible to vote at the City of Westland Presidential Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, January 15, 2008 is Monday, December 17, 2007. Persons registering after 4:00 in the evening on Monday, December 17, 2007 are not eligible to vote at the Presidential Primary Election.

You may register at the Westland City Clerk's office or at any Secretary of State Office.

EILEEN DeHART
Westland City Clerk

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- Personal property described below in the matter of:
- B141- Michele Ciccotte- fishtank, dishwasher, totes
 - B286- Robin Addison- boxes
 - B367- Sharmanya Jamison- stove, dresser, chair
 - B028- Deborah Coe- box, bag, tote
 - B039- C&W Tv- box, bag, tote
 - B054- Gary Geresy- box, bag,tote
 - B160- Tamarka Davis- dryer, refrigerator,bags
 - B197- Lawonda Jenkins- tv, dryer, bags
 - B208- Tobi Graves- box, bag, tote
 - B232- Davis Boyd Jr- box, bag, tote
 - B239- Natalie Beard- box, bag, tote
 - B277- Nicole Jones- box, bag, tote
 - B315- Odessa Scott- box, bag, tote
 - B406- Cheryl Chase- box, bag,tote
 - C015- Alaina Silagey- box, bag, tote
 - C025- Lola Yonko- box, bag, tote
 - C032- Levaughn Dial- box, bag, tote
 - C086- Bennie Esters- box, bag, tote
 - C041- James Nelson- box, bag, tote
 - D042- Linder Magwood- box, bag, tote
 - E019- Joni Mackey- box, bag,tote
 - E040- Denise Hearm- box, bag, tote
 - F017- Nancy Dick- box, bag, tote

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- Personal property described below in the matter of:
- 2464- Nicole Turner- boxes, bags, totes
 - 1100- Tiffany Herron- sofa, box, bag
 - 1132- Tabitha Lofton- box, bag, dresser
 - 1196- Elizabeth Jefferson- chair, box, bags
 - 1206-Emmer Davis- box, bags, table
 - 1286- Jay Clay- box, bag, washer
 - 1333- Olive Garden- boxes, totes
 - 1338- Kenisha Mabone- boxes, bags, totes
 - 1526- Marnie Montrouy- boxes, bags, totes
 - 1544- Be Da 1st Inc- box, vacuum, bags
 - 1550- Be Da 1st Inc- boxes, bags, totes
 - 2014- Denise Richmond- table, chair, boxes
 - 2138- Daniel Curren- bike, vacuum, totes
 - 2152- Anthony Cullars- box, bags, totes
 - 2174- Katrece Isby- table, toy, box
 - 2430- Kenyatta Webb- boxes, bags, totes
 - 2438- Michelle Lamar- Bradley- boxes, bags, totes
 - 2484- Nicole Turner- boxes, bags, totes

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CITY OF GARDEN CITY NOTICE OF ADOPTION

Please take notice that at its regular meeting of Monday, December 3, 2007 the City Council of the City of Garden City did adopt the following schedule.

2008 - SCHEDULE OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS

Day	Date	Meeting
Monday	January 7, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	January 14, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	January 28, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	February 4, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	February 11, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	February 25, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	March 03, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	March 10, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	March 17, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	April 07, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	April 14, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	April 21, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	May 05, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	May 12, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	May 19, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	June 03, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	June 16, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	June 23, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	July 07, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	July 14, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	July 21, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	August 11, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	August 18, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	August 25, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	September 08, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	September 22, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	September 29, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	October 06, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	October 13, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	October 20, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	November 03, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	November 17, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	November 24, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	December 08, 2008	Council Meeting
Monday	December 15, 2008	Council Meeting

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Budget battle not likely to affect term limit law

BY JOE BAUMAN
STAFF WRITER

Democratic state Rep. Paul Condino characterized the 10-month partisan fight over the 2008 state budget the result of a "perfect storm" and an "ugly process."

Republican Senate Majority Leader Mike Bishop agreed the process and outcome of the battle was "horrible," but was a necessary part of standing up for philosophical beliefs and holding true to core principles.

And while both expressed hope future budgets will be adopted without the degree of rancor experienced this year, their comments at the Observer & Eccentric's annual Journalist of the Year breakfast made it clear the two parties remain far apart on how the state should be run.

But both agreed the budget fiasco would not be enough to spur the legislature to scrap term limits, even though both agreed the lack of experience in Lansing contributed to the process.

"I don't believe terms limits was the primary cause of what happened, and I think it will take a citizen initiative to bring about any change to the law," said Bishop, a lifelong Rochester resident.

Added Condino, a Southfield resident who will be term-limited at the end of next year, "I agree with the senator."

Asked why voters should return any incumbent to office next year, Condino acknowledged it will be "real tough" to regain the public's confidence.

"You have to understand we started in January with the perfect storm of a \$1.8 billion deficit and the loss of the single business tax," he said. "We did a good job of coming together in creating the new business tax. But the question that should be asked of every incumbent is what did he or she do to be part of the solution."

Bishop said it was important for voters to understand why the budget crisis grew to the magnitude it did.

"I was disgusted by how our state government performed. But you have to understand it happened because people stood up for what they believed in," he said. "I felt like I was at the Alamo, but I wasn't willing to give in to the pressure of going with the easy solution."

Without a true reform of state government, Bishop added no amount of tax increases will solve the budget crisis.

"State spending is out of control and we have to take a look in the core areas of community health, corrections and state government operations," he said.

Bishop said the state should give serious consideration to turning over transportation, health care and food service operations at the state's prisons to the private sector.

Condino, reflecting just one area where the two political parties appear far apart on the issues, said the state instead should focus on moving documented mentally ill patients out of the prison system and into less expensive continuing care options. When he added he opposed privatization of the prisons on "moral and ethical grounds," Bishop responded, "I don't think it's a moral issue to save money."

Marty Budner tapped as top journalist for O&E in 2007

Marty Budner, sports editor of the *Birmingham Eccentric* newspaper, was named the 2007 Journalist of the Year by the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

The award was presented to Budner Friday morning at the annual O&E Journalist of the Year breakfast held at the Townsend Hotel in Birmingham.

Budner is a veteran journalist and a well-known figure in the world of local sports. He has won numerous awards over 31 years with the O&E. Budner has won either a Suburban Newspaper Association or Michigan Press Association award for sports writing, sports section, sports columnist or sports feature every year at least since 2000.

Budner was nominated for the award by *Eccentric* editor Greg Kowalski. "Marty has an incredible understanding of the local sports scene and knows how to present it to the readers in a fashion that they relate to," Kowalski wrote in the nomination.

Budner was also cited for his "accurate, comprehensive and thorough coverage."

"It's a great honor," Budner said. He added that he is proud to be among the journalists who have won the award over the years. "I've always considered it a team effort," he said of producing the sport section.

The judges singled out a column that he wrote about Joe Clinton, Troy Athens basketball coach who died



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Sports Editor Marty Budner is the 2007 Observer & Eccentric Journalist of the Year.



Executive Editor Susan Rosiek presents Marty Budner with the Journalist of the Year award.

suddenly last summer. The judges noted how Budner brought a sense of history to the piece reflecting his long acquaintanceship with Clinton.

Judging of the nominees was done by a panel of journalists not associated with the O&E. The award was presented by Susan Rosiek, O&E executive editor.



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Beneficiaries must pay taxes on savings bonds, IRAs

Dear Rick: I've just inherited some U.S. Savings Bonds. I'm going to cash out the bonds and reinvest the proceeds. Do I have to pay any taxes?

Unfortunately, you do have a tax liability. When you cash out your U.S. Savings Bonds, you will receive the original investment and the interest. The interest is subject to income tax.

When you inherit items such as U.S. Savings Bonds, traditional IRAs or variable annuities, there is an income tax consequence to the beneficiary. Since they grew tax-deferred, a beneficiary pays taxes on the deferred income. This goes against the general rule because when someone inherits property, they typically inherit it tax free. The one exception is when they inherit something that has deferred income. In addition, if someone inherits a "qualified" deferred income plan, such as an IRA or a 40(k) plan, then the person who is inheriting the property pays ordinary



Money Matters
Rick Bloom

income taxes not only on the deferred income, but also on the principal itself. For example, if you inherited someone's 401(k) and the plan was worth \$50,000, all of that would be subject to ordinary income tax. On the other hand, if you inherited \$50,000 of someone's stock portfolio and it was not in a qualified plan (IRA), then that same \$50,000 would be tax free.

No one said our tax laws had to be fair.

Under current tax law, when you inherit property not in a qualified plan, your cost basis is the fair market value of that asset on the date of death. For example, if you inherit 100 shares of ABC stock and on the date of death ABC stock is worth \$20 a share, your cost basis for that stock is \$2,000 (100 x 20). If you sell

the stock down the road for \$30 a share, your gain for tax purposes would be \$10 a share (\$30 - \$20). It doesn't matter whether the person you are inheriting the property from paid \$1 or \$100 per share, your cost basis is the fair market value as of the date of death.

It is important to review who you've named as your primary and secondary beneficiary. Doing some good tax planning in this area can save your beneficiaries on taxes.

Dear Rick: I'm going to buy a new car in the very near future. Should I buy or lease?

I do not believe there is one right answer. The real question is what is better for your situation? I lease my cars, but that doesn't mean you should lease.

There are several issues you need to consider. First is how long you plan to own your car. If you plan to own for more than four years, then I would recommend purchasing the car. If you plan to use your car for four years or less, then leasing is an option.

Another issue is how many miles you drive on a yearly basis. The more miles you drive, the more beneficial it is to buy vs. lease. Typically, if you are driving more than 15,000 to 18,000 miles a year, then the benefits derived from leasing are reduced.

There are some other non-financial issues that enter into the equation. One is convenience. Leasing is a good way to go for people who want new cars every few years and do not want the hassle of having to sell a used car. Before you go shop for a car, you should decide ahead of time whether you are going to buy or lease. This will help you focus on selecting the right car for your situation.

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

DMP will have oversight of O&E/Mirror

Effective Jan. 1, the Detroit Media Partnership will assume administrative and financial oversight of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and Mirror Newspapers. The properties were formerly part of HomeTown Communications Network which was purchased by the Gannett Co, Inc. in November 2004.

The Observer & Eccentric newspapers include 12 suburban editions published Thursdays and Sundays. Mirror Newspapers

is a weekly newspaper serving six communities and is published on Sundays. Printing and production will continue to be handled by the Port Huron Times Herald, also a Gannett property. The publications will remain editorially independent and will be a separate operating unit.

Gannett Co. is the majority owner of The Detroit Media Partnership, which runs the business operations of the Detroit Free Press and Detroit News.

Pet photos available at humane society

There's no better way to say "Happy Holidays," while helping the animals of the Michigan Humane Society than with a holiday picture of Santa and your pet.

The MHS is hosting pet holiday pictures with Santa at the Berman Center for Animal Care in Westland, on two consecutive weekends in December. Santa, and his elves, will be posing for pictures with pets on the following dates, from noon to 2 p.m.: Sunday, Dec. 9; Saturday, Dec. 15; and Sunday, Dec. 16. Elves will be giving out doggie goodie bags and candy canes to all children attending. All companion animals are welcome.

For each photo taken, MHS asks for a \$5 contribution to help the organization continue to provide the vital programs and services for more than 100,000 animals the organization cares for and touches each year. Each photo will be printed immediately, and placed in a holiday photo card for pet-lovers to take home.

Photo participants should enter at the Pet Education Center door, located to the right of the adoption center entrance, with candy canes leading the way. The MHS reminds pet owners to avoid any activities which may be uncomfortable, stressful or pose any risk to your pet. When deciding to bring your companion animal into a public environment, please be sure that he/she is properly socialized and is able to interact with other animals.

The Michigan Humane Society Berman Center for Animal Care is located at 900

N. Newburgh at Marquette in Westland.

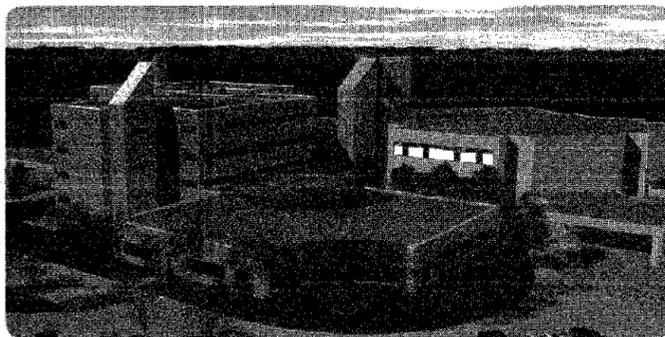
For more information, call the Michigan Humane Society at (248) 283-1000, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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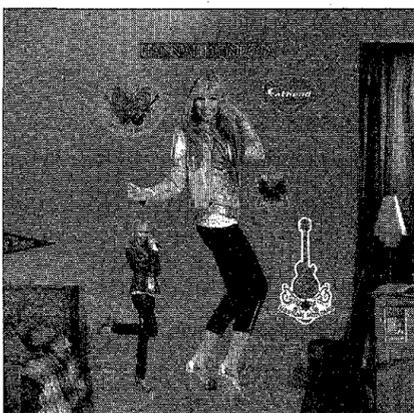
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Livonia-based Fathead LLC recently added Hannah Montana to its stock of life-sized, wall-hanging images of NFL and NBA stars, Family Guy characters and more.



Hannah mania hits the wall

Pop star's image sells big for Livonia-based Fathead

BY ALEX LUNDBERG
STAFF WRITER

Now that Hannah Montana is scaling the heights of pop stardom, a Livonia firm is ready to give her a prominent place on your teen's wall.

The Disney teen-pop phenom is now the newest offering from Fathead, the Livonia-based company that's been putting NFL stars on rec room walls for the past three years.

Fathead LLC public relations coordinator Megan Tarsha said the line is huge.

"We've got entertainment lines like Family Guy, Simpsons and Star Wars, as well as (comic book) heroes, military and the WWE," she said. "We recently licensed with Disney."

Recently, in this case, means Friday and the new Disney line of Fathead decorations includes images from Cars and Pirates of the Caribbean. But little is rivaling the quick sales of the image of Hannah Montana (played by Miley Cyrus), who performed in Detroit Wednesday.

"Sales are going very well," Tarsha said. "Hannah Montana has become one of the top sellers over the weekend."

Particularly, Hannah is No. 3 as of Monday sales, trailing only football players Tony Romo and Tom Brady. It's expected to be a big Christmas seller even at \$99.95 plus shipping.

Fathead CEO Brock

Weatherup said the company's owner, Dan Gilbert, the man behind Quicken Loans and the majority owner of the Cleveland Cavaliers NBA franchise, bought the company a year and a half ago as a way to capitalize on sports excitement.

"It's a unique opportunity to create a new category in wall decoration," he said. "It's cheaper than painting and easier than wallpaper. You can take it down in one room, put it up in another and there's no residue."

The company's bread and butter is still centered around its sports lines with NFL images — Brett Favre and Tom Brady — selling best over the company's history. The company also offers soccer, action sports, NHL, NBA, Sports Illustrated Swimsuit Models and NASCAR-themed decorations.

There's no limit to what's next. Really, since it can apply to anything people cheer about, there's only a question of licensing.

"We're adding more components soon," Weatherup said. "We're working with licensing a substantial portfolio of products."

Boxing, he said, is coming, and without naming names he said the "greatest of all time" is on his way to becoming a Fathead, too.

To order, visit www.fathead.com.

It was a 'G.N.O.' and 'The Best of Both Worlds' for Hannah Montana fans

BY STACY JENKINS
STAFF WRITER

The high-pitched eruption of screams, followed by a mad rush of moms dragging their wide-eyed, four-foot tall Hannah Montana fans through The Palace corridors, set the stage for an unforgettable night.

Dubbed by many as the "event of the year" — and for thousands of 6- to 12-year-olds, their first concert ever — the Hannah Montana show Wednesday night met and, yes, exceeded expectations.

"I loved it!" said Caroline Hinnant, 9, of Franklin. "It looked a lot different than I imagined and there were fireworks and smoke everywhere!"

Her excitement was shared in every jam-packed row of The Palace of Auburn Hills, starting with the popular trio the Jonas Brothers.

"I really liked it," said Allison Hilborn, 9, of Birmingham. "It was really loud!"

Her dad, Craig Hilborn, was among the handful of men to brave the mass of 17,000 or so screaming Hannah Montana fans.

The best idea of the evening? "Earplugs!" Hilborn said.

The 90-minute show, bathed in G-rated pop rock style, was indeed *The Best of Both Worlds* for fans. The first half of the show featured the Disney Channel's blond-wig wearing Hannah Montana, in glittery costumes, tall, fancy boots and confident gallivanting around the multi-level stage.

The second half featured the "real" 15-year-old Miley Cyrus, with long, brown, curly hair and a more casual persona befitting the Tennessee teenager turned pop icon.

A sea of bopping tween fans — many sporting long, blond wigs likely left over from Halloween — sang along and twirled their \$10 glow sticks in the air to the hugely popular songs, *G.N.O. (Girls Night Out)*, *I Got Nerve*, *Nobody's Perfect* and, of course, Disney's *Hannah Montana* TV show theme song, *The Best of Both Worlds*, to name a few.

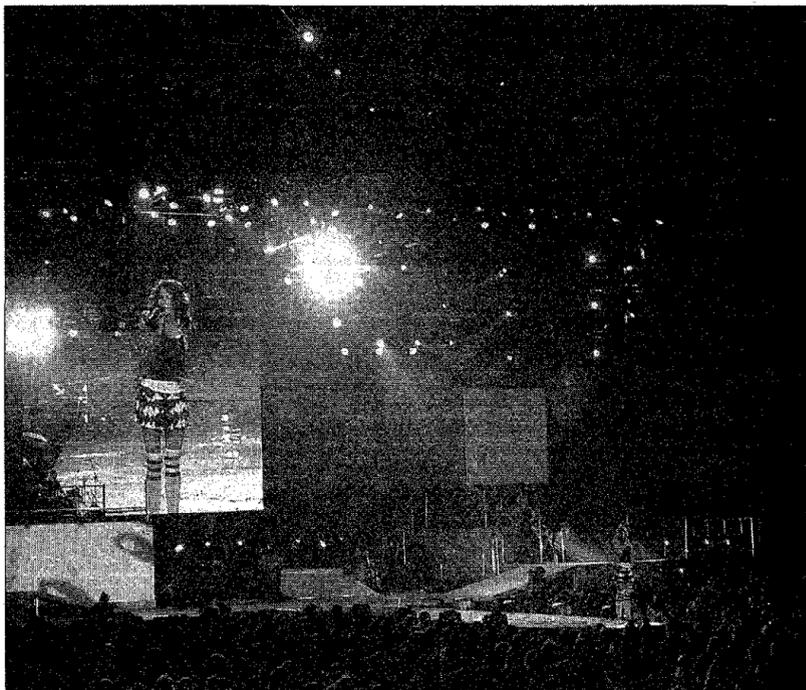
At least two moms in the crowd said it's OK for their 6-year-old daughters to "love" Hannah Montana.

"I do approve of Hannah Montana's lyrics in her songs," said Kathy Stubbs, of Troy, who brought her daughter, Shannon, to her first concert. "She's a positive role model for young girls and I don't mind my daughter singing her songs."

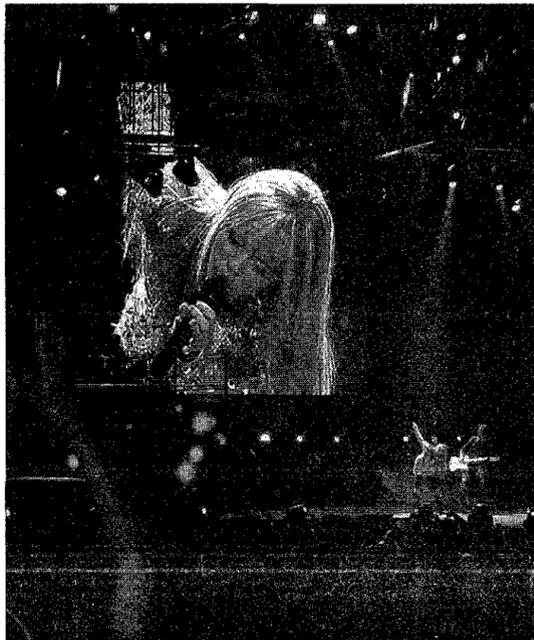
Laura Hentgen, of Birmingham, said she can relate to her 6-year-old daughter Harper's love for Hannah Montana.

"I'm a huge Madonna fan, so I remember what it was like," she said.

Harper's grandfather stood in line Tuesday when more tickets were released to the otherwise sold-out show.



Miley Cyrus, during the second half of the show, egged the crowd on to scream louder at the Palace.



The first half of the show was Hannah Montana, the Disney Channel character, who is a pop star played by Miley Cyrus.

Focus turns to kindergartener at concert

When the Jonas Brothers performed "Hello Beautiful," during their opening act for Hannah Montana Wednesday, concert-goers were looking right into Jessica Djokovic's eyes.

The blue-eyed Rosedale School kindergartner, who dressed like Hannah Montana for Halloween, and her mom, Marie, scored front-row seats to the sold-out show at the last minute — and their luck didn't stop there.

A videographer asked if he could take Jessica's picture. "When they sang (the lyrics), 'If I couldn't see those eyes,' it was my eyes," said 6-year-old Jessica of Westland.

"They put them on the big screen," explained her mom.

"How lucky can two girls get? To be in the front row. To be serenaded by the Jonas Brothers," said Marie Djokovic, with a hoarse voice on Thursday. "We're still dancing and singing today."

Even though a cough kept Jessica out of school the next morning, she was still able to tell her story to friends. Marie had promised her daughter Hannah Montana tickets for her birthday in October, but they sold out fast.

They entered a drawing through Livonia Public Schools and Laurel Park Place last month, but weren't selected. Then, on Tuesday, there was another drawing and they won.

Marie Djokovic, 34, said she wouldn't change a thing — not even the last-minute notice. "It was incredible," she said.

"It was my first time being in the front row," Jessica said.

By Rebecca Jones



The elaborate stage featured images of Hannah Montana while Miley Cyrus, who plays Hannah Montana, cranked out her popular tunes.

her cousins. "I loved all of the songs — and I love that I get to skip school tomorrow morning!" she giggled.

Maybe her concert T-shirt will serve as an "excused absence" pass.

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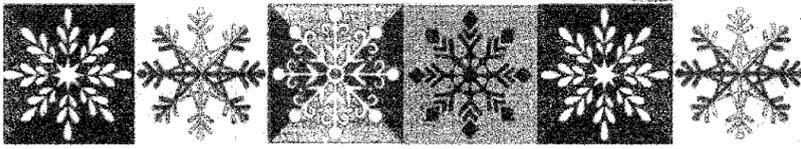
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Michigan Eye Doctor Helps Legally Blind

Dr. Sheldon Smith fits special glasses to help those with macular degeneration and other eye conditions keep reading and driving.
By Elena Lombardi

Most of us take things like reading, watching TV or playing cards for granted. But poor vision from conditions like macular degeneration, glaucoma, diabetes or cataracts makes these tasks difficult or even impossible. When people have insufficient vision to do the things they want to do, they have low vision.

Today Michigan Optometrist Dr. Sheldon Smith has the answers many of these people have been seeking. Dr. Smith, a Low Vision Specialist, helps people with these types of eye diseases see better. A Fellow of the International Academy of Low Vision Specialists, Dr. Smith is one of a select group of doctors serving the visually impaired.

"People don't know that there are experienced doctors who can help them with specialized low vision care," says Dr. Smith. "Many people are told by their own doctors that nothing more can be done for their eye condition, but there are ways to improve vision" says Dr. Smith. "We fit special devices to help patients meet their various visual goals."

Patients often end up using weak, clumsy handheld magnifiers trying to help themselves see better. Conversely, Dr. Smith prescribes hands free devices that are easier to use. "We use the same

telescopic devices surgeons use during operations," says Dr. Smith. "That's how powerful and convenient they are.

Special prismatic reading glasses and microscopes help make reading a little easier. Telescopic glasses primarily focus on distance objects like TV, passing neighbors or scenery. Telescopes can also be adapted to closer tasks like playing cards or computers. "Telescopes can even help people meet the vision requirement for driving" Dr. Smith explained. Michigan is one of the 46 states that allow bioptic telescopic glasses for driving.

Mr. Charles Willim, age 81, of Taylor came to get his driver license restored after macular degeneration reduced his vision to 20/70. Dr. Smith fit him with special driving telescopes that improved his vision to 20/40. A few weeks later Charles passed his road test and is now a licensed driver again. "Those telescopic glasses are pretty darn good" he said.

Buddy Standafer, age 70, of Westland had diabetic eye problems. He came to reinstate his driver license and read better. His regular vision as 20/200 but with special driving telescopes he saw 20/50. Prismatic reading glasses got him reading newsprint. Two months later his license was restored. "Now I see the traffic lights much better. I am happy to be on the road again. I tell a lot of people about Dr. Smith" Buddy said.



Buddy Standafer wearing driving telescopes

Dr. Smith also advises patients on using sun filters and nutritional supplements to prevent further vision loss. Special glasses and telescopes range in price from \$600 to \$2,500. "Every patient is unique, with different amounts of vision and individual goals," says Dr. Smith. "I strive to help patients resume doing what matters most to them. Meeting patient goals with suitable solutions ultimately improves independence and quality of life."

If you or someone you know is struggling with their vision, call Dr. Smith to find out how low vision care can help. There is help available. You just need to know where to find it. You can reach Dr. Smith and Suburban Low Vision of Michigan at

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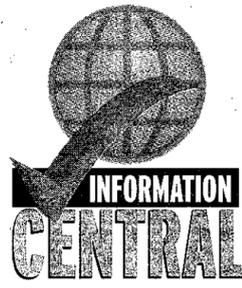
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Etiquette Abroad

One of the greatest aspects of traveling to foreign countries is the opportunity to learn about other cultures and lifestyles first hand. Whether traveling for business or leisure, it is imperative that you become familiar with the social norms of foreign countries so your trip is not ruined. Nobody wants to be thought of as the "Ugly American," so when you are getting ready for your next international excursion, it is a good idea to review some basic travel etiquette so as not to appear rude, inappropriate or offensive. At the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland, you can find several books to help you on your journeys.

Even handshakes change from place to place so it is wise to know how to behave overseas before you even get off of the plane. *Kiss, Bow, or Shake Hands* by Terri Morrison will tell you whether a formal or informal greeting is appropriate in different countries. This will save you from embarrassment as well as help you develop good relationships with those you meet.

Having good intentions does not necessarily excuse bad behavior. Simple things such



as gift-giving and tipping can come off as offensive if not done in the correct manner. *Behave yourself: The Essential Guide to International Etiquette* by Michael Powell and *Dos and Don'ts Around the World: A Country Guide to Cultural and Social Taboos and Etiquette* by Gladson Nwana are two vital guides that cover proper greetings, eating and drinking, dress, physicality, gifts, and tips in other countries.

To find out more about etiquette abroad, the Public Library of Westland is a great place to start. Stop by at the reference desk, call us at (734) 326-6123, or remotely search our catalog twenty-four hours a day at www.westland.lib.mi.us.

-Andrea Perez

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Bill would cut taxes for disabled veterans

A Westland lawmaker has introduced legislation that would allow local governments to eliminate property taxes for disabled American veterans with incomes at or below twice the poverty level.

"The brave men and women who serve our country so admirably face numerous challenges as they return to Michigan," said State Sen. Glenn Anderson, D-Westland. "The transition back to civilian life is especially difficult for disabled veterans, which is why we should be doing everything in our power to make sure they have access to affordable housing. This legislation would make it easier for our veterans to stay in their home."

According to the U.S. Census

'For the disabled veterans who are struggling to put a roof over their own heads after returning home to Michigan, this is the least we can do.'

SEN. GLENN ANDERSON, D-Westland

Bureau, there were 6.1 million disabled veterans living in the United States as of 2006. A recent report from the Homelessness Research Institute indicates that more than 336,627 military veterans were homeless over the course of last year.

The report also points to an alarmingly disproportionate representation of veterans among the homeless population. As a group, veterans represent

11 percent of the adult civilian population, and 26 percent of the homeless population.

Earlier this month Fannie Mae released a Gallup poll that found 24 percent of veterans have been concerned that they may not have a place to live, and 86 percent of those surveyed believe that homelessness among veterans is increasing or staying the same.

"As taxpayers, we willingly support the troops and help put a roof over their heads during their time overseas," said Sen. Anderson. "For the disabled veterans who are struggling to put a roof over their own heads after returning home to Michigan, this is the least we can do."

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OUR VIEWS

Self-sufficiency, not entitlement, dominates role of unions today

In a column that celebrates a newfound collaboration between management and labor in the automobile industry, Phil Power does a pretty good job of making a case for cooperation and compromise. Forgetting, however, that human behavior is universal in nature, Power weighs in on labor much heavier than management. "Another deeply ingrained cultural attitude hindering Michigan," says Power, "has been 'entitlement thinking,' the attitude that gold-plated health care coverage or generous pensions are to be expected from any job. Plus, the attitude that workers are entitled to such benefits regardless of what they do or how successful their employer is."



Churchill

Having worked in the automobile industry as a tradesman for almost 45 years, it can be said that, in my experience, nobody, not one single person that I have worked with, has suggested anything remotely close to Power's statement. Self-sufficiency, not entitlement, is considered much more virtuous on the shop floor.

That being said, in the richest country in the world, it is perfectly reasonable to expect that everybody willing to work should have adequate health care coverage and the financial resources to sustain themselves in later years. We do not live in a jungle just yet.

Nonetheless, Power might remember the words of Adam Smith. Rational self-interest is what drives economic behavior said Smith. It is what drove the auto companies and the UAW to collaborate in drawing up a historic contract in which everyone benefits. Everyone understood that the domestic auto industry is in dire straits with recovery less a possibility without dramatic change. Anything other than cooperation and compromise would have been detrimental to the self-interest of all parties, including the general public.

Quoted by Power, David Cole, of the Center for Automotive Research is right. The change to cooperation, rather than confrontation, in labor/management relations has been evolving for a while now. Permanence, nevertheless, is not a foregone conclusion. There is an overabundance of people in the business community whose fondest wish is to destroy anything with a union label on it. Consider the fate of the Employee Free Choice Act in the current Congress and the ability of current trade agreements to decimate America's middle class.

The Employee Free Choice Act addresses current labor law that is broken. Employees are

fired in one quarter of private sector organizing campaigns. In 78 percent of cases, private employers require supervisors to deliver anti-union messages to the workers whose jobs and pay they control. In 50 percent of cases newly formed unions cannot successfully negotiate a contract after two years of the union being certified. In one third of cases, contracts are never acquired.

The Employee Free Choice Act does three things. It strengthens the penalties for companies that illegally coerce or intimidate employees in order to prevent unionization. Secondly, it brings in a neutral third party to settle a contract when a newly certified union and company cannot agree after a four-month period. Thirdly, if a majority of employees sign union authorization cards, validated by the National Labor Relations Board, a company must recognize the union. If one-third of workers want an election, they can still ask the government to hold a conventional ballot vote.

The Employee Free Choice Act was strongly supported by unions, equally denounced by the business community. Indeed, President Bush has vowed to veto it should Congress send it to him.

Trade Agreements, on the other hand, are close to treasonous in their ability to devastate America's middle class. In 2000, John Gannon, then director of the National Intelligence Council stated that "...the relative control and influence of many nation-states over developments within their borders is likely to decline over the next 15 years." Further, he stated "...the decline will not lift all boats." Essentially, the CIA is saying that the middle class is going to take a hit. The position of labor, "fair trade instead of free trade," is in stark contrast to that of business interests.

Bias toward management aside, Phil Power makes valid points concerning education and the need for an entrepreneurial spirit. But we have a long way to go.

With the return of prosperity, both parties could forget lessons learned during difficult times. Both labor and management may again see their self interest in terms of conflict rather than cooperation. Current collaboration may have been a unique necessity at a particular point in automotive history. Further progress is going to require goodwill, understanding, tolerance and an ability to communicate what we have in common rather than what separates us as individuals.

Al Churchill is a member of the executive board of UAW Local 182 Retirees Chapter and a Livonia resident.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Lawmakers stepped up

Dunham's Sports is a Waterford, Mich., based full line sporting goods retailer with almost 160 stores in several Midwest states. Dunham's recently opened a store on Plymouth Road in Livonia.

As a service to our customers, Dunham's sells hunting and fishing licenses as a Department of Natural Resources Agent. During hunting season, Dunham's Michigan stores do a significant amount of business providing Michigan sportsmen and women with hunting licenses as well as hunting gear and apparel.

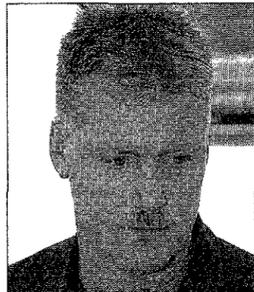
Unfortunately, Dunham's Livonia location was initially denied approval by the Department of Natural Resources to issue hunting and fishing licenses and stood to miss out on a major portion of business this time of year. Since deer hunting season was fast approaching, I contacted state Sen. Glenn Anderson and Rep. John Pastor. Both Sen. Anderson and Rep. Pastor stepped up and took our problem to the Department of Natural Resources.

As a result, the decision to deny Dunham's agent status was reversed, our Livonia store was approved as a hunting and fishing license agent, and we were able to provide local residents with a service they expect from Dunham's. Sen. Anderson and Rep. Pastor served both the needs of their business constituents as well as the citizens they represent. I would like to acknowledge the efforts of both Rep. Pastor and Sen. Anderson in getting this resolved.

John H. Palmer
senior vice president,
Dunham's Sports

COMMUNITY CORNER

Do you think it's time the United States had one presidential primary election day?



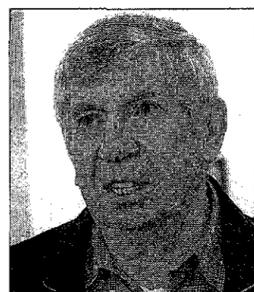
"Yes, I just think that what's good for other states should be good for ours."

Ed Rybiski
Huron Township



"I was thinking more of changing around who goes first, but that sounds like a pretty good idea."

Jerry Goyette
Westland



"No, because as it was until Michigan came into it, it introduced humor to the prospect of electing a president."

Henry Elden
Westland



"Yes, the way things have been going, I haven't gone out and voted, but if it goes like this, I would."

Robin Keywood
Westland

Sounds of the Season

Free Concerts at Schoolcraft College

December 9—Wind Ensemble

Sunday, 7:30 p.m.

Schoolcraft College Radcliff Center

1751 Radcliff Street, Garden City

Featuring the works of John P. Sousa, Dimitri Shostakovich, Hector Villa-Lobos, Elliott Del Borgo, LeRoy Anderson and the holiday favorite *Christmas Song* by Mel Torme and Robert Wells.

December 10—Jazz Band and Synthesizer Ensemble

Monday, 7:30 p.m.

DiPonio Room inside the VisTaTech Center

Schoolcraft College main campus

18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia

The Jazz Band performs holiday favorites by Chick Corea, Dave Brubeck, and Stevie Wonder. The Synthesizer Ensemble's selections range from the traditional to the modern, including *Lacrymosa* from Mozart's *Requiem Mass*, a dramatic rendition of the 1980s hit *Africa* by the pop group Toto, and a special arrangement featuring vocalist Josh Marois, whose voice is electronically transformed to sound like a full choir.

December 16—Choral Union

Sunday, 3 p.m.

Recital Hall inside the Forum Building

Schoolcraft College main campus

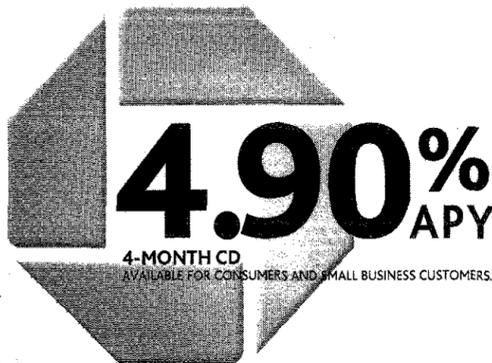
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A choral concert entitled *A Winter's Tale* featuring choral music and poetry readings that capture the spirit of the holiday season. A suggested, but not required, admission donation of one canned or boxed non-perishable food item, which will be donated to the Gleaners Community Food Bank of Southeastern Michigan, would be appreciated.

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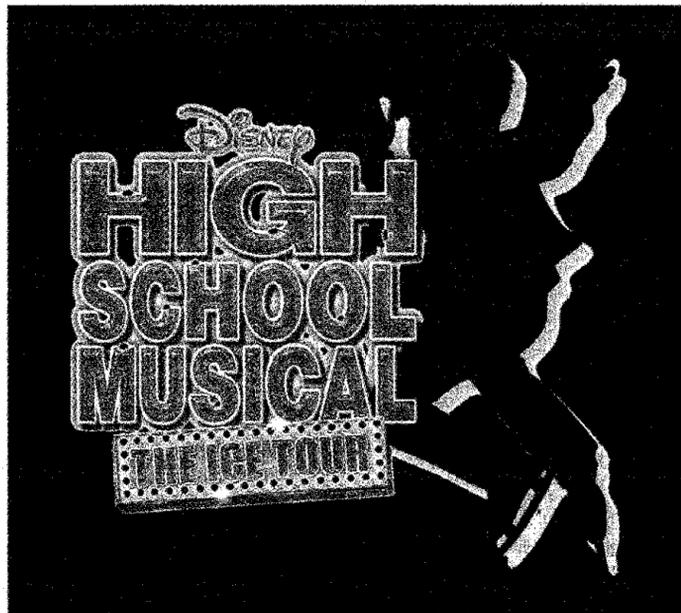
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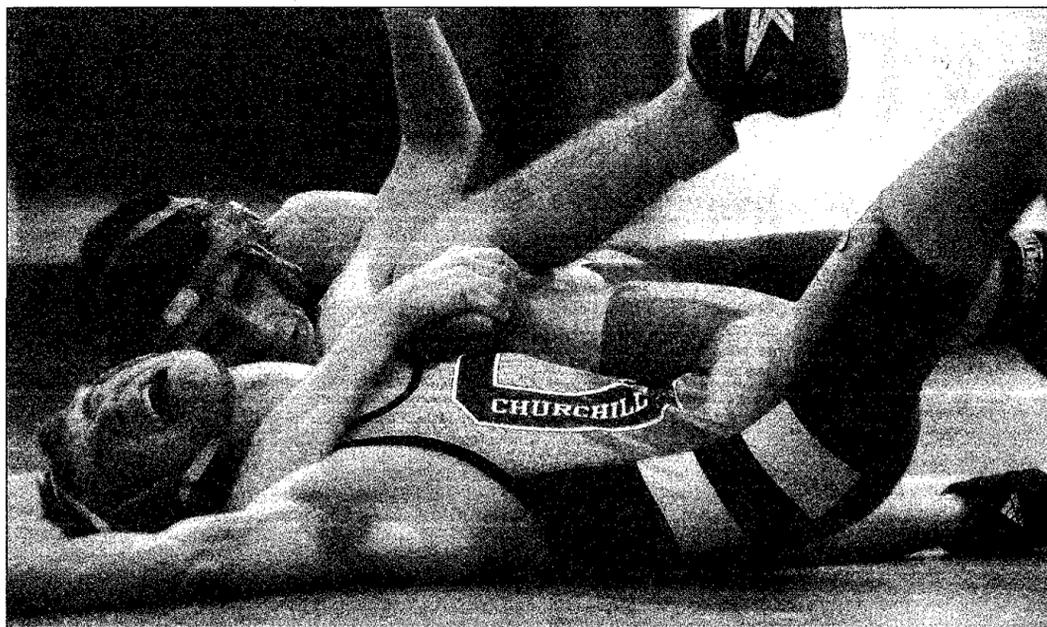
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Franklin's Jared Pieknik holds down Churchill's Matt Hecksel in a 112-pound match during Wednesday's Livonia Public Schools Tournament at Stevenson.

Franklin makes Hay in mat win

For wrestling results, see Page B4

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

It's not even Christmas yet, but Franklin wrestling coach Dave Chiola received an early present under his tree Wednesday night at the Livonia Public Schools Invitational.

Tournament MVP Cody Hay pulled off two big victories to capture the 215-pound class as the Patriots three-peated as team champion with 201.5 points, just edging host Stevenson (197) for the title. Churchill placed third with 160 in a meet which featured a slightly different format with the absence of Livonia Clarenceville, which elected to schedule a meet Wednesday at Romulus Summit Academy.

The three remaining schools used a round-robin, tri-match format, but scored it based on an individuals' performance in each of the 14 weight categories. Individual and team totals were tallied based on either

a decision (three points), major decision (four), technical fall (five) or pin (six).

The Patriots took six individual titles led by Hay, Dan Woodall (189), Brandon Billian (140), Matt Hintz (135), Justin Jacobsen (119) and Jared Pieknik (112).

Hay, a junior, proved to be the trump card as he edged Churchill's Jon Scheckel, 6-4, in his first match and then upset Stevenson's Matt Greenman, 5-4, to earn the crown.

"He was truly the MVP of my team tonight," Chiola said of Hay. "On paper, it was probably the biggest mismatch of the night. He was facing a regional qualifier (Greenman) who almost made it to 'state' last year.

"Cody was an average JV guy for two years. He doesn't have the best physique or technique, but for six minutes he doesn't let up. He showed determination, heart and endurance. He never gave up."

Chiola was pleasantly pleased at the result because he figured the Patriots were underdogs.

"For 12 of our 14 starters, it was their

first city meet," the Franklin coach said. "I knew it would be close with all three teams, as close as it has been since I've been here (eight years). A couple of matches went our way and a couple didn't go our way. Stevenson is a solid team. They really have no holes in their lineup. We probably got more pins. I was surprised we got through."

Stevenson individual winners included Tommy Myshock (119), Raz Markosian (145), Brent Cetnar (152) and Ziad Kharbush (171).

"Everybody knew it would be tight and all-in-all everybody performed pretty well," Stevenson coach Dan Vaughan said. "It was a one-match swing and the most exciting City meet I've been involved with.

"Not winning 215 surprised me. That last match our guy made a few mistakes, but their guy (Hay) deserved to be MVP."

Churchill also boasted four individual champions including Jacob Meadows (103), Andrew Murray (130), Curtis Castleberry (160) and Mark Parrish (285).

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The Producers Churchill tallies 9 in victory vs. Pats

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

There's no denying Livonia Churchill's hockey team can put the puck in the net.

It was further evidenced Friday night as the 6-0 Chargers skated to a 9-1 mercy-rule victory over Livonia Franklin at Edgar Arena. Churchill's senior scoring machine, forward Nathan Milam, started out the game notching his 15th goal of the season at the 20-second mark on assists from Ken Masiarczyk and Travis Satkowiak.

Mike Woynick made it 2-0 just 2:12 later from Milam and Nick Harakas, while Masiarczyk scored on a power-play from Scott Hamill and Cody Atkins at 6:41.

Franklin, meanwhile, had its chances during the opening period.

David Muller hit the left post on a breakaway effort and Alex Wypych was robbed by Churchill netminder Derrick Daigneau on a sprawling pad save.

The Chargers held an 13-8 first-period shot advantage.

"We were Jekyll-and-Hyde the first period - good offensively and not so good defensively," Churchill coach Pete Mazzoni said. "The shots were pretty even and we able to capitalize, and they were not. It could have been a different ball-game real quick."

At 4:10 of the second period, Franklin's Ben Kubiak scored from Tyler Miller and Robert Beattie to slice the deficit to 3-1. But Churchill responded with a pair of rebound goals - Garrett Miencier from Woynick and Harakas at 4:16; followed by Kody Strong from Dan Bostick at 13:15 for a 5-1 advantage.

"All we talked about was defense," said Mazzoni, referring to the first intermission. "I

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Singles

Elks Shoot champs

Winners of the 39th annual Livonia Parks and Recreation and Livonia Elks Lodge No. 2246 Hoop Shoot contest, which attracted 45 youths ages 8-13 last Saturday at the Livonia Community Recreation Center, include:

Justin Raju, Boys 12-13 (19-of-25); Jacqueline Shields, Girls 12-13 (11-of-25); Matthew Freed, Boys 10-11 (19-of-25); Natalie Spala, Girls 10-11 (19-of-25); Jeren Murray, Boys 8-9 (13-of-25); and Emma McCammon, Girls 8-9 (9-of-25).

The six division winners advance to the Southeast District Finals Saturday, Jan. 5 at the Flat Rock Community Center against eight other finalists from the metro area.

College mat note

In his first career start, Eastern Michigan University red-shirt sophomore Rece Cox (Canton-Westland John Glenn) erased a 4-1 deficit by using a reversal move at the end of the second period to pin Ohio University's Clay Tucker as the Eagles captured their Mid-American Conference wrestling opener Thursday night at home, 31-6, against the Bobcats.

SHS hockey alums

Livonia Stevenson High School's inaugural alumni hockey game for all former players will be at 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 4 at Eddie Edgar Arena.

The Stevenson-Franklin varsity game follows at 8 p.m.

Alumni area encouraged to stay after and watch the varsity game and receive refreshments.

Interested alumni should contact Kyle Zagata at (248) 924-0789; or e-mail k.zagata@yahoo.com.

Blazers end Nouvel's 30-game win streak

Livonia Ladywood evened its girls basketball record at 2-2 Friday at home by upending defending state Class C champion Saginaw Nouvel, 52-42.

The Blazers overcame a 12-6 first-quarter deficit to end the Panthers' 30-game winning streak.

"We had a good inside-outside game, a good mix of shots," Ladywood coach Andrea Gorski said. "We also came out with good energy and that was a key for us."

GIRLS HOOPS

20-10 Ladywood second quarter run.

Anastos and Alison Szczyka each scored 14 points and combined for 16 rebounds. Alex Serowoky added 10 points, seven rebounds, five assists and two blocks.

Jennifer Ryan scored 13 for Nouvel. Teammate Kelly Kretz scored all 10 of her points in the first half, but was held scoreless over the final 16 minutes by Anastos.

"We forced her (Kretz) into tougher shots the second half," Gorski said.

Ladywood was 11-of-15 from the foul line (73 percent) and shot 47 percent from the floor (20-of-42).

Nouvel finished 16-of-43 from the floor (32 percent) and 9-of-14 from the line (64 percent).

WAYNE 56, MILFORD 53: Senior guard Trena Barbee scored a game-high 25 points and Nastassia Goines added 12 Friday as Wayne Memorial (2-2) earned a non-league win against the host Mavericks.

Erica Adams and Melissa Bageris tallied 16 and 10, respectively, for Milford.

Wayne shot 14-of-22 free throws, while Milford was 17-of-26.

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High riser

Churchill's Shauntez Thomason goes over the top to score during fourth quarter action in Friday's victory over Redford Union. For a roundup of area boys basketball games, see page B2.

Zebras open season with 94-90 3-OT win

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

What a way to start the boys basketball season.

Wayne Memorial squandered a 58-45 fourth-quarter advantage Wednesday night before outlasting host Riverview, 94-90, in triple overtime.

Senior guard Mike Lee poured in a game-high 32 points to pace the victorious Zebras (1-0). He made 13-of-14 free throws on the night, including 7-of-8 in the third OT as Wayne outscored the Pirates, 19-15. Lee's triple at the end of the second overtime knotted the game at 75-all.

Robert Woodson contributed 26 points, while 6-foot-10 senior center Jeremy Lovelady 17 points and 19 rebounds for Wayne. Mike Lewis added 10 points, including three 3-pointers, all in the first half as the Zebras jumped out to a 30-12 lead in the second period and led 36-25 at intermission.

Senior guard Steve DiBranco paced Riverview with 30 points, while senior forward Jermaine Williams added 24.

Riverview outscored Wayne 16-3 in the final quarter to send the game into overtime at 61-all. Each team scored seven points in each of the first two four-minute extra sessions.

The Pirates had possession and the final shot three different times at the end of regulation and

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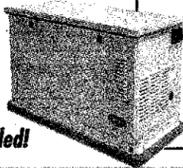
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BOYS SWIMMING & DIVING CAPSULE OUTLOOK

LIVONIA CHURCHILL
Head coach: Aaron Rieder, fourth year.
League affiliation: Western Lakes Activities Association (Western Division).
Last year's finish: sixth place (WLA meet).
Notable losses to graduation: Drew Randall (first-team All-Area, 100 freestyle); Ben Lamerand (second-team All-Area, 100 freestyle); Mark Gordon (backstroke); Steve Jones, Sr. (backstroke-100 free); Matt Castelli, Sr. (fly-freestyle); Joey Liberati, Sr. (breaststroke-distance freestyle); Greg Van Gorp, Jr. (distance free); Nate Larsen, Jr. (breaststroke); John Yurgil, Soph. (fly-backstroke); Matt Hope, Sr. (diving); Travis Holt, Jr. (diving); Andrew Richards, Jr. (diving).
Promising newcomers: Jacob Rimatzi, Fr. (free-backstroke); Xavier Ziemba, Sr. (breaststroke-free); Ryan Phillips, Jr. (freestyle).
Rieder's 2007-08 outlook: "It's going to be an interesting year. I have amazing senior leadership with my captains - Steve Jones, Joey Liberati and Matt Castelli. They've already shown they're up to the task. They have an amazing attitude and incredible work ethic. They expect great things of themselves. I think we'll be in the middle of the pack again. It's a tough league."

LIVONIA FRANKLIN
Head coach: Kevin Hafner (sixth year).
League affiliation: WLA (Western Division).
Last year's finish: 11th (WLA meet).
Notable losses to graduation: Andy Rossiter, Ken Wood, Bryan Mandeville.
Leading returnees: Nick Anthony, Sr., IM-butterfly-freestyle; Shane Shelton, Sr., IM-freestyle-breaststroke; Scott Ansteth, Soph., butterfly-backstroke; Joe Michlewicz, Jr., freestyle; Tyler Lee, Soph., butterfly; Danny Kosmiski, Sr., butterfly-backstroke; Eric Madaj, Jr., freestyle-relays; Brett Woods, Jr., freestyle-relays.
Promising newcomers: Brandon Larkins, Fr., IM-breaststroke; Frank Henius, Soph., diving; Scott James, Fr., freestyle.
Hafner's 2007-08 outlook: "We should be an improved team this year with the addition of two good freshmen and a diver. They will add some depth and help out in events were we have been weak. We should have a couple of good relays by the end of the season. Nick Anthony is looking to qualify for the state championship after coming

close at the end of his junior season. Brandon Larkins may have an outside chance of qualifying as well. We're beginning to have a team that is composed of more year-round swimmers, which helps to quickly improve the quality of the team. Hopefully this trend continues and we'll be able to continue our improvement as a team. We should be much more competitive in the WLA this season."

LIVONIA STEVENSON
Head coach: Jeff Shoemaker, eighth year.
League affiliation: WLA (Lakes Division).
Last year's finish: second (WLA meet); 13th (Division I state meet).
Notable losses to graduation: Travis Hatt (first-team All-Area, 100 butterfly; 200 medley and 400 freestyle relays); Jeff Pauza (first-team All-Area, 500 freestyle; 400 freestyle relay); Sam Loria (first-team All-Area, 400 freestyle relay; second-team, 200 freestyle relay).
Leading returnees: Robert Luke, Sr. captain, backstroke-breaststroke-IM (first-team All-Area 100 backstroke; 200 medley relay); Kyle Hermann, Sr. captain, freestyle (second-team All-Area, 200 freestyle and 200 freestyle relay; first-team 400 freestyle relay); Jeff Kinsvater, Jr. diver (second-team All-Area); Michael Cruce, Jr. butterfly-freestyle (second-team All-Area, 100 butterfly); Joey Wingett, Jr. breaststroke-IM (second-team All-Area, 100 breaststroke; first-team 200 medley relay); Scott Geverink, Sr. captain, butterfly-IM; Charles Turlo, Jr., freestyle; Adam Dabkowski, Soph., freestyle; Chris Behler, Jr., freestyle; Bryan Bielicki, Soph., backstroke-IM; Aaren Marecki, Soph., freestyle; Luke McKay, Soph., diver; Jared Diebel, Jr., freestyle; Brendan Schoff, Sr. captain, backstroke-freestyle; Jimmy Vayis, Jr., backstroke; John Loria, Soph., breaststroke-freestyle; David Bladdecki, Jr., breaststroke; Eric Schuman, Jr., breaststroke; Ryan Scott, Jr., sprint freestyle.
Promising newcomer: Kelen Schoff, Fr., IM-butterfly.



Robert Luke Stevenson

100 breaststroke; first-team 200 medley relay); Scott Geverink, Sr. captain, butterfly-IM; Charles Turlo, Jr., freestyle; Adam Dabkowski, Soph., freestyle; Chris Behler, Jr., freestyle; Bryan Bielicki, Soph., backstroke-IM; Aaren Marecki, Soph., freestyle; Luke McKay, Soph., diver; Jared Diebel, Jr., freestyle; Brendan Schoff, Sr. captain, backstroke-freestyle; Jimmy Vayis, Jr., backstroke; John Loria, Soph., breaststroke-freestyle; David Bladdecki, Jr., breaststroke; Eric Schuman, Jr., breaststroke; Ryan Scott, Jr., sprint freestyle.
Promising newcomer: Kelen Schoff, Fr., IM-butterfly.

Shoemaker's 2007-08 outlook: "We have 45 swimmers, our numbers are pretty good. We have a balanced team, no superstars, but a lot of depth. We'll do the best we can in the league and hope to finish in the top ten in the state."

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN
Head coach: Bob Harding, second year.
League affiliation: WLA (Lakes Division).
Last year's finish: 10th (WLA meet).
Notable losses to graduation: Jon Whitt (first-team All-Area, diving); Matt Espy, Kevin Chappelle, Josh Eldridge, Andrew Thorne, Dan Fabrey.
Leading returnees: Billy Lyons, Jr. (sprint freestyle); Jon Burgess, Sr. (freestyle); Dennis Knight, Jr. (breaststroke); Levi Cavender, Soph. (breaststroke-1M).
Harding's 2007-08 outlook: "We're very, very inexperienced. We lost over half our team to graduation. We only have two swimmers with three years experience, and two with two years experience. We have decent numbers, in the mid-20s, better than we've been in recent years historically. Hope to build on that for next year and gain some junior, senior depth."

WAYNE MEMORIAL
Head coach: Mike Greuber, 11th year.
League affiliation: WLA (Western Division).
Last year's finish: 12th (WLA meet).
Notable losses to graduation: None.
Leading returnees: Jordan Holland, Sr., sprint freestyle; Nick Marlin, Sr., distance freestyle; Jacob Schofield, Sr., freestyle-backstroke; Steven Ogg, Jr., IM-backstroke; Jacob Barnes, Jr., distance freestyle-backstroke; Mike Gabriel, Soph., sprint freestyle; Adam Karson, Soph., distance freestyle-breaststroke; Josh Higgs, Soph., freestyle; Brandon Hicks, Soph., IM-butterfly.
Promising newcomers: Kevin Erdmann, Sr., sprint freestyle-diving; Amirul Amirudin, Soph., freestyle.
Greuber's 2007-08 outlook: "We have about 15 swimmers right now. My top four guys, if possible, can get to the state meet, which will be an accomplishment for them. Team-wise, we want to be in the middle of the pack in our division (Western), which will be difficult because we don't have the numbers out. Holland, Barnes and Ogg are our top swimmers right now. They're interchangeable."

PREP BOYS SWIM RESULTS

PREP BOYS SWIMMING RESULTS
LIVONIA STEVENSON 139, DEARBORN 47
Dec. 6 at Stevenson
200-yard medley relay: 1. Stevenson (Robert Luke, Joey Wingett, Scott Geverink, Kyle Hermann), 1:44.48; 2. Stevenson (Bryan Bielicki, David Bladdecki, Adam Dabkowski, Brendan Schoff), 1:51.79.
200 freestyle: 1. Charles Turlo (LS), 1:54.97; 2. Kelen Schoff (LS), 2:01.14.
200 individual medley: 1. Mike Cruce (LS),

2:03.85; 2. Aaren Marecki (LS), 2:18.15.
50 freestyle: 1. Ryan Scott (LS), 23.46; 2. Chris Behler (LS), 24.09; 3. Jeremy Pesta (LS), 25.1.
1-meter diving: 1. Jeff Kinsvater (LS), 233.15 points; 2. Luke McKay (LS), 167.00; 3. Jack Beaudoin (LS), 126.95.
100 butterfly: 1. Luke (LS), 55.27; 2. Geverink (LS), 58.19.
100 freestyle: 1. Hermann (LS), 51.36; 3. Jared Diebel (LS), 56.71.
500 freestyle: 1. K. Schoff (LS), 5:22.55; 2.

Behler (LS), 5:23.82.
200 freestyle relay: 1. Stevenson (Hermann, Cruce, Marecki, Scott), 1:34.34; 2. Stevenson (Pesta, D. Schoff, Mike Buccina, Diebel), 1:42.82.
100 backstroke: 1. Bielicki (LS), 1:01.53; 2. B. Schoff (LS), 1:03.12; 3. Jimmy Vayis (LS), 1:03.85.
100 breaststroke: 1. Wingett (LS), 1:03.1; 2. John Loria (LS), 1:07.6; 3. Eric Schuman (LS), 1:08.37.
400 freestyle relay: 1. Stevenson (Marecki, K. Schoff, Turlo, Cruce), 3:31.03.
Stevenson's dual meet record: 1-0 overall.

6-0 Spartans continue to sparkle

Pat McHugh made 20 saves and John Vella had a pair of goals and one assist to lead unbeaten Livonia Stevenson to a 5-0 boys hockey win Friday night over host Canton at the Arctic Edge.

Mike Moran and Ryan Baratono each chipped in with a goal and assist for the Spartans, who improved to 6-0 overall with the Western Lakes Activities Association crossover victory.

R.J. Kierdorf completed the scoring for the Spartans, who jumped out to a 3-0 first-period lead and held a five-goal advantage after two periods.

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"We had a very good start and it was a good, solid win on the road," Stevenson first-year coach Dave Mitchell said. "The puck moved well."

Canton (4-3) used two goals by Zane Birchler played the first period before giving way to Kevan Swanberg.

STEVENSON 4, NORTHVILLE 3: Chalk up another impressive victory Wednesday night for Livonia Stevenson (5-0), which jumped out to a 3-1 first-period lead and held off visiting Northville (3-2) in a WLA crossover at Edgar Arena.

The victorious Spartans got a goal and assist each from John Vella and Mike Moran.

Ian Curran tallied the game-winner and Ryan Baratono contributed the Spartans' other goals Sean Lerg chipped in with two assists.

Ross Riehl, Wes Gates and Drew Lameroux scored for the Mustangs. Stevenson netminder Pat McHugh stopped 16-of-19 Northville shots, while Mustang goalie Ted Keranen made 17 saves.

"We got off to a very solid start with a good first period," Stevenson first-year coach Dave Mitchell said. "We need to have that type of energy and discipline for the entire game. Overall though, it was a good win for us. Northville is a very solid hockey team."

Stevenson staves off Franklin; Chargers bounce back vs. RU

It was a game of ebbs and flows Friday night as Livonia Stevenson held off Livonia Franklin, 62-58, in a boys basketball encounter.

Junior guard Brian Rowe led the victorious Spartans (2-0) with 18 points, while junior forward Gary Cobb added 12. Sophomore guard Bobby Naubert chipped in with 11, including 5-of-6 free throws in the decisive fourth quarter.

Ryan Matthey led the Patriots (0-1) with 16 points, while Kevin Percin contributed 12. Jeff Poole and Cole Kelly chipped in with nine and seven, respectively.

Stevenson trailed 29-19 during the second quarter, but rallied to take a 31-29 halftime lead with a 12-0 run ignited by Rowe.

"He single-handedly brought us back," Stevenson first-year coach Mike Allie said the junior guard. "And Gary Cobb blocked shots, knocked some shots and got to the basket. We also showed some poise down the stretch and did a good job of making free throws."

Stevenson was 15-of-17 from the foul line, while Franklin was 7-of-11.

"They (Stevenson) out-rebounded us and they exposed everything we've been working on," Franklin first-year coach Jeremy Rheault said. "But we're O.K. We'll piece this thing together."

CHURCHILL 46, REDFORD UNION 40: Livonia Churchill (2-1) bounced back from a disappointing one-point setback Thursday to Dearborn with a non-league win Friday over visiting Redford Union (1-1).

Ryan Rosenick, a senior forward, paced the Chargers with 15 points and seven rebounds. Senior guard Andrew Vagnetti chipped in with 13 points, while Shauntez Thomason came off the bench to score eight points and grab a pair of rebounds

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during the final period. RU's Terrell Beard paced all scorers with 21 points.

"We came out with great energy the first quarter and maintained it the whole game," said Churchill coach Jim Solak, whose team bolted out to a 16-3 lead. "We hit some big baskets, big free throws and got some layups at the end of the game. It's the proudest I've been in a long time. After what happened last night, the kids came back and wanted it."

BELLEVILLE 54, WAYNE 49: A 15-5 first-quarter run Friday carried the host Tigers (1-1) to a non-league win over Wayne Memorial (1-1).

Junior guards Vinnie Boyd and Booker Stoudmire scored 19 and 14 points, respectively, to lead Belleville.

Wayne had three players score in double figures - Mike Lee (16), John Hill (13) and Robert Woodson (10). Hill also grabbed 13 rebounds.

"We did not match Belleville's intensity at the beginning," Wayne coach Wayne Woodard said. "We were out of sync. They threw a 1-3-1 zone at us and it took us forever to get going. We gave them some problems with our press the second half and had a chance to get within two."

CLARENCEVILLE 50, WHITMORE LAKE 32: On Friday, host Livonia Clarenceville (2-0) used a balanced attack and suffocating first-half defense to beat Whitmore Lake (0-2) in a battle of Trojans.

Jamie Stewart, a 6-foot-3 junior guard, scored 15 points and grabbed 12 rebounds to pace Clarenceville. Senior point-guard Lonnie Fairfax added 11 points and had seven steals, while junior forward Haniyf Mark contributed 10 points.

Alex Cattlely scored 13 for Whitmore Lake.

LIGGETT 66, LUTHERAN WESTLAND 47: Senior guard Patrick Gustine sparked a second-half rally and finished with a game-high 30 points Friday to propel host Grrosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett (2-0, 1-0) to a Metro Conference triumph over Lutheran High Westland (1-1, 0-1).

The Warriors led 12-4 after one

period and 26-24 at halftime, but couldn't solve Liggett's second half defense as the Knights went on a 30-8 third-quarter run.

Senior Aaron Heaner added 10 for Liggett.

Sam Ahlersmeyer and Josh Kruger scored 13 and 12, respectively, for the Warriors.

DEARBORN 60, CHURCHILL 59: Ryan Rosenick's 28 points and 13 rebounds weren't enough Thursday as the visiting Pioneers (1-1) escaped with a non-league win over Livonia Churchill (1-1).

After calling timeout with 6.7 seconds remaining, Churchill missed the game-winning layup with just only three seconds to go.

What led to Churchill's undoing was poor free throw shooting (10-of-22). The Chargers went 1-for-6 in the decisive fourth quarter, including the front end of four one-and-ones.

"We played a great fourth quarter, but we lost the game at the free throw line and in transition," Churchill coach Jim Solak said.

Andrew Vagnetti contributed 13 of his 16 points in the first half for the Chargers, who trailed 28-23.

Senior forward Anthony Mifsud and senior guard Drew Rodriguez scored 15 and 11, respectively, for Dearborn, which hit 21-of-33 free throws.

STEVENSON 64, EDESEL FORD 44: The Mike Allie era got off to a rousing start Wednesday night as Livonia Stevenson (1-0) opened its season with non-league triumph at Dearborn Edsel Ford (0-1).

"The kids played very hard, nine played the first quarter and it was a complete team effort," said Allie, the first-year Spartans' varsity coach. "The kids came out and executed perfectly."

Sophomore Jordan El-Sabeh paced the Spartan scoring attack with 13 points. Juniors Mark Grisa and Brian Rowe added 12 each as Stevenson put it away with a 22-12 fourth-quarter run.

Stevenson made 13-of-22 free throws on the night.

Ali Ayoub's 13 points paced the Thunderbirds, who couldn't overcome a 28-19 halftime deficit.

Bridges, Hearn's spark MU cagers

Canton's D.J. Bridges scored a game-high 25 points and Livonia Stevenson's Keith Hearn came off the bench to score 12 points in 15 minutes of action Friday night as the Madonna University men's basketball team defeated Trinity Christian College (Ill.), 79-72, in the opening round of the St. Xavier (Ill.) Tournament in Chicago.

Bridges was 9-of-9 from the foul line and 7-of-10 from the field, including a pair of

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triples as the Crusaders, who played host St. Xavier (7-2) in Saturday's second round, improved to 5-6 overall.

Jon Battle added 19 points and five assists, while guard Cedric Sims (Wayne Memorial) grabbed a team-high 12 rebounds.

Kurt Gruppen led Trinity (6-5) with 23 points. Will Bruinsma added 16 points,

while Kyle Lasek and Ebiowei Porbeni each contributed 10.

Ocelots stop Hawks

Schoolcraft College improved to 2-0 in the Eastern Conference of the Michigan Community College Athletic Association with a 63-60 win Wednesday night at home over Henry Ford CC.

The Ocelots are 2-6 overall, while the Hawks fall to 3-4 and 0-1.

9-0 Lady Ocelots set point record

A 65-point first half propelled host Schoolcraft College to a record-setting 119-72 trouncing of visiting Henry Ford Community College Wednesday night, indicating the Lady Ocelots have no intention of loosening their grip on a Top-5 spot in the NJCAA Division II women's basketball poll.

Schoolcraft (9-0, 2-0) moved to No. 4 thanks to an

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8-0 start, and had no trouble adding a ninth straight win to the list, breaking the school's former record of 114 points set in 1975-76.

Seven players reached double figures in scoring, led by Antoinette Brown's 19.

Scoring 16 each were Janelle Harris and Japera

English, Erica Ott chipped in with 14 and Heidi Warczynsky and Taylor Langham (Salem) each tallied 12. Adding 10 for good measure was Sheray Brown.

The Lady Ocelots made 51-of-86 field-goal attempts and outrebounded HFCC (0-5, 0-1) by a commanding 69-33 margin to the MCCA-Eastern Conference victory.

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think we can score goals on just about anybody we run up against, but if we're going to continue to play into March, we've got to improve our defense. It's basically about five guys giving that extra effort. You have to do so much based on the next guy doing his job. And if he doesn't? We're scrambling from there."

The Patriots (3-2) were certainly scrambling during the third period as Churchill tacked on four more goals.

Hamill took a shot off the boards at 5:42 with an assist going to Satkowiak to make it 6-1.

Milam then notched his 16th with a sprawling unassisted effort to beat Franklin goalie Austin Mesler at 8:19.

"His (Milam's) speed obviously helps, that's something you can't coach," Mazzoni said. "He also has the ability to make things happen before they happen."

Milam crashed into the boards following his second

goal and did not see action the rest of the way. Bostick added a power-play goal from Stefan Kubus and Scott Sundberg at 8:53, while Atkins' goal with only 5:23 remaining ended it on the eight-goal mercy with Bostick and Hamill drawing the assists.

"Nate (Milam) had bit of a stinger, it was his shoulder," Mazzoni said. "He could have come back in the game, but not at that time."

For Franklin, which was outshot 38-16, it's back to the drawing board.

"That's what exactly what we're practicing and striving to be," Franklin first-year coach Scott Wirgau said of Churchill.

"They're a great team.

"The thing about it is that we can beat ourselves up for whatever reason, or we can focus on the good things for us. We can focus on the score - 9-1 - but that's not all what we did. I thought we dominated the first 10 minutes of the second period. We've got to get back to work and not hit the post the next time."

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into the first two overtimes.

"We were able to hold them off and they (Riverview) were in the bonus (foul situation) to top it off," Wayne coach Wayne Woodard said. "It could have been disastrous if they had gotten us to foul, but we were able to bear down and force them to one shot."

Wayne made 26-of-35 free throws on the night, while Riverview was 10-of-14.

"What I said at the end of the game is that we learned a lot," Woodard said. "You've got to knock them out when you have the chance, but Riverview pushed us. They're a veteran team like us and they never quit. They knocked down shots when they needed them, but our kids did not quit either. We got better in the third overtime. We made big free throws when we had to."

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'Miss Volleyball' Abron spearheads multi-talented group

FIRST TEAM
OH/MH - KYNDRA ABRON SR., LIVONIA CHURCHILL: Abron's "Miss Volleyball" title says it all about how outstanding the powerful front-row player was in 2007. Chargers coach Mark Grenier rightfully described Abron as the state's most-dominant player and Churchill volleyball's "most accomplished athlete."
 The statistics and accolades speak for themselves. Abron tallied 800 kills to finish her career with 2,020 (eighth in state history) and amassed 37 kills in her final match of the year (third all-time in the state).
 The Michigan State-bound Abron earned first-team All-State honors for the second consecutive year, was selected to the MVCA Region 18 team and made the Western Lakes All-Conference team for the third time. During her Churchill career, the Chargers went 109-15, with Abron's play a major factor.

S - CHRISTINA SEWARD, SR., GARDEN CITY: The senior added to her school career record in assists with 1,154 (surpassing the 4,000 total) and she was instrumental in the Cougars excellent regular season and district championship win over Westland John Glenn.

Cougars head coach John Pace described Seward as "the heart and soul of our offense" the past four seasons.

"She leaves an enormous pair of shoes to fill and leaves a legacy of what is now expected of a setter at Garden City."

Seward capped off her excellent prep career with selection to the All-Mega Red and All-Region 18 teams.

MH - BECCA REFENES, JR., LUTHERAN WESTLAND: Refenes collected 406 kills, 114 solo blocks, 274 digs and 52 aces, showing her versatility.

"Becca is an outstanding all-around player who can change the flow of any game," said head coach Kevin Wade. "She is a great leader and a great team player."

Not only did Refenes impress Wade, she made a positive impact with enough volleyball people to earn conference MVP, Region 18 and first-team All-State honors.

OH - JORDAN KIELTY, SOPH., CANTON: The 10th-grader enjoyed a phenomenal season, registering a team high 333 kills, a 22.3 kill percentage, 31 blocks, 224 digs and 59 service aces. She earned All-WLAA and All-Region accolades.

"Jordan is an outstanding all-around player — you'd never know she was a sophomore," said Canton coach Jen Barnes. "She works hard every day and was a major contributor to our success this season. We look forward to the next two years with her growing as a player and being a leader on the court."

2007 ALL-OBSERVER GIRLS VOLLEYBALL FIRST TEAM

OH/MH - KYNDRA ABRON SR., LIV. CHURCHILL
 S - Christina Seward, Sr., Garden City
 MH - Becca Refenes, Jr., Luth. Westland
 OH - Jordan Kielty, Soph., Canton
 MB - Marie Martin, Sr., Canton
 L - Lindsey Graciak, Jr., Liv. Churchill
 MH - Brittany Holbrook, Jr., John Glenn
 S - Jansan Falcusan, Jr., Salem
 OH - Rachel Heaton, Sr., Plymouth
 L - Shateda Greeley, Sr., Redford Union
 OH - Kately Ramthun, Jr., Luth. Westland
 OH - Shannon Pietruszka, Jr., Churchville
 DS/L - Catherine Phillips, Sr., Liv. Ladywood

SECOND TEAM
 MH - Meg Iafrafe, Jr., Liv. Stevenson
 S - Briana Beyer, Jr., Plymouth
 OH - Lorin Stenzel, Jr., Redford Union
 OH - Stephanie Stevens, Soph., Garden City
 OH - Kelly MacDonald, Jr., Salem
 S - Kacy Moran, Jr., Canton
 OH - Kirstin Kirk, Sr., John Glenn
 OH - Jill Slabey, Sr., Salem
 S - Allison Patra, Sr., Redford Union

THIRD TEAM
 DS - Jordan Kerr, Sr., Liv. Churchill
 S - Julie Rhodes, Sr., Liv. Ladywood
 OH - Amanda Quartz, Jr., Garden City
 S - Sara Ross, Sr., Ply. Christian
 MH - Ashley Price, Sr., Liv. Franklin

S - Megan Schulz, Sr., Red. Thurston
 OH - Lauren Adorf, Sr., Huron Valley Lutheran
 OH/S - Amanda Moody, Sr., Clarencville
 OH - Kaylee McGrath, Jr., Liv. Stevenson
 OH - Mandi McManus, Sr., Plymouth

COACH OF THE YEAR
 Jen Barnes, Canton

HONORABLE MENTION
 Garden City: Danielle Campbell, Kellyn O'Brady,
 Redford Union: Brittany Dupree, Sarah Sanders,
 Danielle Sweeney,
 Thurston: Bobbie DeBoit, Kelli Mapes,
 Ladywood: Ashley Hines, Rachel Fuller, Alendra Mirabitor,
 John Glenn: Aranda Phare, Stacey Truskowski,
 Churchville: Jackie Griebke, Shannon Warner, Jessica Stroud,
 Franklin: Brianna Taylor, Brittany Taylor, Liz Holloway,
 Stevenson: Natalie Fenech,
 Clarencville: Katie Blacker, Amber Mills,
 Lutheran Westland: Julie Jongsma, Lauren Gieschen, Allyson Yankee,
 Huron Valley Lutheran: Emily Helwig, Sarah Schaffer, Kayla Stockdale,
 Plymouth: Kate Spangler, Lindsay Jewett, Ashley Beczsko,
 Canton: Hannah Mills, Lauren McPartlin, Ellie Keny,
 Salem: Alyssa Matchette, Kerry MacDonald, Nicole Mergel,
 Plymouth Christian: Miriam Monroe.

MB - MARIE MARTIN, SR., CANTON: The senior, who is headed to Madonna University with a scholarship to play volleyball, broke her own school record for blocks in a season with 111. She notched 234 kills and served at a 92.6 percent success rate. Martin earned All-WLAA and All-Region honors. "Marie was a huge asset for us in the front row," said Barnes. "She was great on the quick attacks and her blocking was even better. Marie has been a wonderful varsity player for the past four years. She will truly be missed."

L - LINDSEY GRACIAK, JR., CHURCHILL: The Chargers' offense usually featured Abron at the end of the line. But Graciak's strong passing and defense usually had a lot to do with Abron getting those opportunities to score.

"One of the reasons why we had so much success this season was because of what Lindsey could do passing and playing defense," said Churchill coach Grenier. "Our offense ran through Lindsey's ability to transition from serve-serve and defense into offense."

Named to the WLAA all-conference and Region 18 teams, she serve-received over 680 balls at a staggering 94 percent pace and averaged 4.5 digs per game. Graciak also ranks third all-time at Churchill in digs with 579.

MH - BRITTANY HOLBROOK, JR., JOHN GLENN: Called a "triple threat" by her coach for how well she hits, serves and defends, Holbrook nearly stole the district final from Garden City with her brilliant performance.

Holbrook had an excellent season throughout, too, with 462 kills, 77 serving aces and an average of five digs per game. Postseason honors included team MVP, WLAA-All

Conference and Region 18 selections. "She is our 'go-to' girl and has carried the load for (John Glenn) on offense all season long," said Rockets head coach Julian Wargo. "I expect her to only get better as a senior."

S - JANSAN FALCUSAN, JR., SALEM: A three-year varsity player, Falcusan has earned the distinction as one of the best setters in the state. She rarely left the court for the Rocks and often hit the floor in search of scintillating digs. A two-time All-WLAA performer, she was voted the team's most valuable player.

"Jansan has just been a great athlete for our team the past three years," said Salem coach Amanda Suder. "She's one of the best setters in the state of Michigan. She's very athletic and can play anywhere we need her on the floor. She did a great job of running the team this year."

OH - RACHEL HEATON, SR., PLYMOUTH: Heaton had a sensational senior year for the Wildcats as she was a fixture on the court. She was as effective in the back row finishing off kills as she was digging out would-be kills.

"Rachel was our best all-around player and the one we looked to when we needed a big play," said Plymouth coach Kelly McCausland. "She performed well wherever she played and was a major reason for a lot of the success we had this year."

L - SHATEDA GREELEY, SR., REDFORD UNION: Aggressive and dependable at libero all season was Greeley, who keyed RU's co-title in the Mega White.

She earned team MVP honors as well as selection to the All-Mega White squad and Region 18 team after tallying 821 defensive digs, along with 930 serve-serve passes and 80 serving aces. "Shateda is what you look for in a

libero," said RU head coach Rachel Clor. "She is quick to get to the ball and is great at reading a hitter. She was key to starting our offense (by) making great defensive and serve-receive passes."

OH - KATEY RAMTHUN, JR., LUTHERAN WESTLAND: Consistently solid all season, Ramthun helped the cause with 169 kills, 42 solo blocks, 270 digs and 58 aces. Her efforts earned her all-conference first-team and Region 18 honors. "Katey is a great complement to Becca (Refenes) in the middle," Wade said. "Just when the other team exhales as Becca goes to the back row, Katey comes in and takes advantage of their laxed approach."

OH - KRISTEN NALECZ, JR., CHURCHILL: Strong and athletic, Nalez emerged this season with 1,065 attacks, 426 kills and selection to the WLAA-Lakes and Region 18 teams.

"Kristen is very strong, she jumps extremely well and has developed a couple of great shots," said Chargers coach Grenier, who expects more of the same from her in 2008.

DS/L - SHANNON PIETRUSZKA, JR., GARDEN CITY: Almost spectacular in the back row against opponents heavy hitters, Pietruszka made just 61 errors in 963 serve-receive opportunities (93.6 percent) and averaged nearly seven digs per contest (with a total of 876). Pietruszka received selection to the All-Mega Red and Region 18 teams.

"Shannon is the most-aggressive defensive player I have ever coached," said Cougars coach Pace. "She covers more floor and is not afraid to sacrifice her body to make the dig."

MH - CATHERINE PHILLIPS, SR., LIVONIA LADYWOOD: The hard-hitting Phillips averaged three kills per game and was solid in all phases of her play, said Blazers head coach Erin Craggs.

"Catherine was our most-consistent attacker all year," Craggs said. "She was an all-around player (and) we relied on her to make big plays."

For her efforts, Phillips was named to the Region 18 squad.

COACH OF THE YEAR
JEN BARNES, CANTON: In only her second year as the head varsity coach, Barnes led the Chiefs to a spectacular season, which included a Western Lakes Activities Association Western Division crown. Her leadership helped the team perform admirably in several talent-laden tournaments throughout the course of the season.

"We worked very hard last year with our workouts at Velocity Sports and with individual training at practice," said Barnes. "A lot of our success was due to the efforts of my assistant coaches — Rob Barnes (Jen's husband) and Mary Kryska — and the girls worked hard to learn our new offense and defense."



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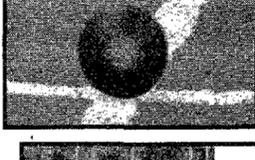
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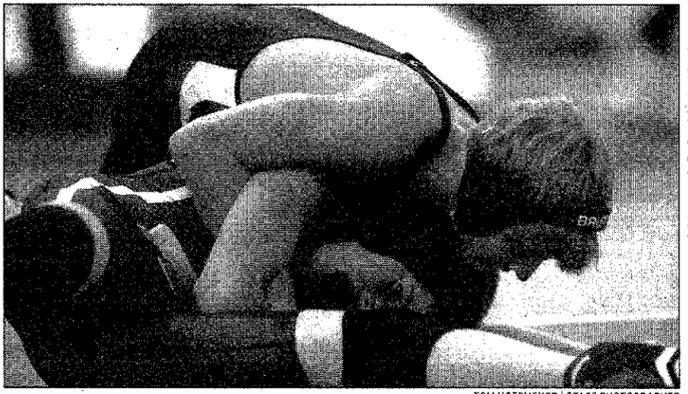
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BOYS BASKETBALL
Monday, Dec. 10
 Franklin at Churchill, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Dec. 11
 N.B. Huron at Luth. Westland, 5:30 p.m.
 Huron Valley at Wyan. Mt. Carmel, 6 p.m.
 Farmington at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
 Novi at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
 Wayne at Ferndale, 7 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 14
 Old Redford at Clarenceville, 7 p.m.
 Luth. Westland at A.P. Inter-City, 7 p.m.
 Brighton at Wayne, 7 p.m.
 Stevenson at A.A. Gab. Richard, 7:30 p.m.
GIRLS BASKETBALL
Tuesday, Dec. 11
 Plymouth at Churchill, 7 p.m.
 Franklin at W.L. Northern, 7 p.m.
 Stevenson at Canton, 7 p.m.
 John Glenn at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.
 W.L. Central at Wayne, 7 p.m.
 Harper Woods at Clarenceville, 7 p.m.
 Lutheran North at Luth. Westland, 7 p.m.
 Huron Valley at Wyan. Mt. Carmel, 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 13
 Huron Valley at Lutheran South, 6 p.m.
 Churchill at Garden City, 7 p.m.
 Northville at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 14
 Franklin at Churchill, 7 p.m.
 Wayne at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
 Clarenceville at Lutheran N'west, 7 p.m.
 Luth. Westland at Harper Woods, 7 p.m.
 Ladywood at Divine Child, 7:30 p.m.
PREP HOCKEY
Wednesday, Dec. 12
 Churchill vs. G.P. North at Edgar, 6 p.m.
 Ladywood at B.H. Cranbrook, 7 p.m.
 Stevenson vs. Plymouth at Edgar, 8 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 13
 Stevenson at Lake Orion, 6 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 14
 Franklin vs. Stevenson at Edgar, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 15
 Ladywood vs. G.P.W. Univ.-Liggett at Plymouth's Arctic Pond, 6 p.m.
 Churchill vs. W.L. Western at Lakeland Ice Arena, 8 p.m.
PREP WRESTLING
Wednesday, Dec. 12
 Stevenson Quad Meet, 5:30 p.m.
 John Glenn at Wayne, 5:30 p.m.
 Franklin, Melvindale at Gibraltar Carlson, 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 13
 Luth. Westland at A.P. Inter-City, 5 p.m.
 Clarenceville at Clawson, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 15
 Patriot Invitational at Franklin, 9 a.m.
 Canton Invitational, 9 a.m.
 Woodhaven Invitational, 9 a.m.
BOYS SWIMMING
Tuesday, Dec. 11
 Berkeley at Churchill, 7 p.m.
 Lincoln Park at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
 Garden City at Wayne, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 15
 WLA Relays at Salem, noon.
PREP BOWLING
Tuesday, Dec. 11
 Wayne vs. Clarenceville at Country Lanes, 3:30 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 13
 Wayne vs. U-D Jesuit, John Glenn vs. Farmington at Drakeshire Lanes, 3:30 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 14
 John Glenn vs. Harrison at Drakeshire Lanes, 3 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 15
 Farmington Tourney at Novi Lanes, 3:30 p.m.
 Drakeshire Invitational, TBA.
COMPETITIVE CHEER
Wednesday, Dec. 12
 Franklin, W.L. Western at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 15
 CCCAM Invitational at Stoney Creek, TBA.
MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Friday, Dec. 14
 (Crusader Classic at Madonna)
 M-rugrove vs. Albion College, 6 p.m.
 N. western Ohio vs. Madonna, 8 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 15
 Crusader Classic at Madonna, 1 & 3 p.m.
 Cincinnati State at Schoolcraft, 3 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Wednesday, Dec. 12
 Madonna at Albion College, 7:30 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 14
(WHAC-MCC Challenge at Bethel, Ind.)
 Madonna vs. Bethel College, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 15
(WHAC-MCC Challenge at Bethel, Ind.)
 Madonna vs. Indiana Wesleyan, 1 p.m.
ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE
Thursday, Dec. 13
 Whalers at Peterborough Pates, 7 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 14
 Whalers at Oshawa Generals, 7:35 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 15
 Whalers at Owen Sound Attack, 7:30 p.m.
MAJOR INDOOR SOCCER LEAGUE
Friday, Dec. 14
 Detroit Ignition at Orlando Sharks, 8 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 15
 Detroit Ignition vs. La Raza de Monterrey at Compuware Arena, 7:35 p.m.
TBA - time to be announced.



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In a 103-pound match, Franklin's Steve Tuyo looks to turn Stevenson's Adam Moyer during Wednesday's Livonia Public Schools Tournament.

PREP WRESTLING RESULTS

LIVONIA PUBLIC SCHOOLS WRESTLING TOURNAMENT
Dec. 5 at Stevenson
TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Franklin, 201.5 points; 2. Stevenson, 197.5; Churchill, 160.
INDIVIDUAL RESULTS
103 pounds: 1. Jacob Meadows (C) decisioned Steve Tuyo (F), 12-7; pinned Adam Moyer (S), 0:18; 2. Tuyo p. Moyer, 1:52.
112 pounds: 1. Jared Pleknik (F) won by major dec. over Matt Hecksel (C), 11-2; dec. Michael Fobar (S), 5-2; 2. Fobar dec. Hecksel, 10-8.
119 pounds: 1. Justin Jacobsen (F) p. Kane Kanoose (C), 4:39; p. Colin Casey (S), 0:46; 2. Casey p. Kanoose, 0:28.
125 pounds: 1. Tommy Mystoch (S) p. Keith Roberts (C), 3:04; p. Chris Shihadeh (F), 1:01; 2. Roberts p. Shihadeh, 0:38.
130 pounds: 1. Andrew Murray (C) p. Ryan Haarala (F), 0:47; p. Mitchel Gonzales (S), 1:55; 2. Gonzales p. Haarala, 3:53.
135 pounds: 1. Matt Hintz (F) dec. Joe Tesner (C), 9-6; p. Anthony Mainella (S), 5:08; 2. Tesner dec. Mainella, 3-4.
140 pounds: 1. Brandon Billau (F) won by void over Churchill; p. Charlie Kokenakes (S), 1:05; 2. Kokenakes won by void over Churchill.
145 pounds: 1. Raz Markosian (S) dec. Brandon Smith (F), 7-5; dec. Gramos Pallaska (C), 3-2; 2. Smith dec. Pallaska, 4-2.
152 pounds: 1. Brent Cetnar (S) p. Don Stratz (F), 1:15; dec. Dan Small (C), 3-1; 2. Stratz dec. Small, 6-4.
160 pounds: 1. Curtis Castleberry (C) dec. Garrett Hay (F), 7-4; won by major dec. over Jake Burns (S), 20-9; 2. Hay won by major dec. over Burns, 16-4.
171 pounds: 1. Ziad Kherbush (S) p. Zach Leuenberger (F), 1:56; dec. Brian Ziembra (C), 3-1; 2. Ziembra p. Leuenberger, 1:44.
189 pounds: 1. Dan Woodall (F) won by technical fall over Grant Morgan (C); p. Emanuel Onwuemene (S), 5:07; 2. Onwuemene won by major dec. over Morgan, 14-4.
215 pounds: 1. Cody Hay (F) dec. Jon Scheckel (C), 6-4; dec. Matt Greenman (S), 5-4; 2. Greenman p. Scheckel, 1:17.
285 pounds: 1. Mark Parrish (C) dec. Mike Modes (F), 2-0; p. Austin Micallef (S), 0:16; 2. Micallef p. dec. Modes, 3-0.
TOURNAMENT MVP: Cody Hay, 215; Franklin.
DOUBLE-DUAL MEET RESULTS
Dec. 5 at Romulus Summit Academy
LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 39
UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT JESUIT 30
125 pounds: double void.
130 pounds: Scott Convery (C'ville) pinned Brian Neville, 0:52.
135 pounds: Conley Worshan (U-D) p. Cody Sillanpaa, 3:03.
140 pounds: Patrick Walker (C'ville) decisioned Evan Kelly, 12-7.
145 pounds: double void.
152 pounds: Derek Robbins (C'ville) p. Malcolm MacLaughlin, 1:56.
160 pounds: Nick Jordan (U-D) won by void.
171 pounds: Tim Siecinski (C'ville) p. Tim Joquinia, 0:33.
189 pounds: John Marsales (U-D) p. DeOndre Hogan, 3:03.
215 pounds: Maumer Mesinovic (C'ville) p. Will Lampley, 0:53.
285 pounds: Matt Gates (U-D) won by void.
103 pounds: Brent Gilman (C'ville) p. Paul Anania, 1:59.
112 pounds: Jake Vincent (U-D) p. Coy Sillanpaa, 1:46.
119 pounds: Jake Ruth (C'ville) p. Aaron Rife, 0:47.
LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 48
ROMULUS SUMMIT ACADEMY 18
130 pounds: Scott Convery (C'ville) won by void.
135 pounds: Cody Sillanpaa (C'ville) won by void.
140 pounds: Tom Sergeant (RSA) pinned Patrick Walker, 2:53.
145 pounds: Tony Brandt (C'ville) won by void.
152 pounds: double void.
160 pounds: Derek Robbins (C'ville) p. Gage Nunnally, 0:16.
171 pounds: Tim Siecinski (C'ville) won by void.
189 pounds: Dominique Walker (RSA) won by void.
215 pounds: Brian Davis (RSA) p. Maumer Mesinovic, 3:15.
285 pounds: double void.
103 pounds: Brent Gilman (C'ville) won by void.
112 pounds: Coy Sillanpaa (C'ville) won by void.
119 pounds: Jake Ruth (C'ville) won by void.
125 pounds: double void.
Clarenceville's dual match record: 3-1 overall.

PREP BOWLING RESULTS

PREP BOYS BOWLING RESULTS
WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 16, NOVI 12
Dec. 6 at Westland Bowl
Glenn individual scorers: Kyle Hamblin (first game) and Hamlin-Eric Tomassion (second game), 214-149-363; Joey Blouse (first game) and Gordie German (second game), 144-160-304; Tomassion (first game) and Ryan Herzog (second game), 189-193-382; Derrick Ammons, 191-200-391; Justin O'Hara, 205-230-435.
Regular game totals: 943-912-1,855 (8-2-2/12 points).
Baker games: 169-153-322 (6 points).
Novi individual scorers: Evan Giampa, 194-188-382; James Wilson, 165-159-324; Curt Lawrence (first game) and Sean McDonald (second game), 146-200-346; George Riegel, 174-158-332; Bryan Biens, 171-258-429.
Regular game totals: 850-963-1,813 (1-7-0/8 points).
Baker games: 133-183-316 (4 points).
Glenn's dual match record: 2-0 (Wayne Oakland Bowling Conference).
WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 28
NORTH FARMINGTON 2
Dec. 4 at Novi Bowl
Glenn individual scorers: Kyle Hamlin, 177-212-389; Joe Blouse (first game) and Gordie German (second game), 192-187-379; Eric Tomassion (first game) and Ryan Herzog (second game), 221-171-392; Derrick Ammons, 220-173-393; Justin O'Hara, 197-216-413.
Regular game team totals: 1,007-959-1,966 (8-8-2/18 points).
North individual scorers: Cody Purcell, 156-179-355; Alex Novak, 193-162-355; Sean Miller, 211-136-347; Steve Lapierre, 210-178-378; Marshal Vortriede, 167-184-352.
Regular game team totals: 938-839-1,777 (11-1-0/2 points).
Baker games: 172-179-351 (0 points).
Dual meet records: Glenn, 1-0 (Wayne-Oakland Bowling Conference); North Farmington, 0-1 (WOBC).
PREP GIRLS BOWLING RESULTS
WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 22, NOVI 8
Dec. 6 at Westland Bowl
Glenn individual scorers: Amanda Mirabitur, 180-146-326; Katy Harris, 136-138-274; Derika Hinkle, 181-121-302; Alysson Kassab, 186-186-372; Victoria Eisey (first game) and Amber Krzyzaniak (second game), 115-121-236.
Regular game totals: 798-712-1,510 (8-2-2/12 points).
Baker games: 210-163-373 (10 points).
Novi individual scorers: Lauren Elbel, 144-119-263; Katie Martinez, 126-132-258; Alyssa Fraser, 141-183-324; Leslie Brown, 184-192-376; Alex Dinsler, 120-149-269.
Regular game team totals: 715-775-1,490.
Baker games: 139-114-353 (0 points).
Glenn's dual meet record: 2-0 (Wayne-Oakland Bowling Conference).
WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 21
NORTH FARMINGTON 9
Dec. 4 at Novi Bowl
Glenn individual scorers: Kasheena Martin (first game) and Amanda Mirabitur (second game), 117-123-240; Katy Harris (first game) and Amber Krzyzaniak (second game), 81-120-201; Alysson Kassab (first game) and Derika Hinkle (second game), 248-164-412; Hinkle (first game) and Kassab (second game), 136-194-330; Victoria Eisey, 143-157-300.
Regular game team totals: 725-758-1,483 (1-8-2/11 points).
Baker games: 149-132-281 (11 points).
North Farmington individual scorers: Caryn Roberts, 139-143-282; Rachel Friedman (first game) and Rachel Webberman (second game), 104-106-210; Daniel Labadie, 115-103-218; Melissa Blezer, 176-111-287; Jennifer Maples (first game) and Golsky (second game), 299-94-393.
Regular game team totals: 833-557-1,390 (8-1-0/9 points).
Baker games: 124-115-259 (0 points).
Dual match records: Glenn, 1-0 (WOBC); North Farmington, 0-1 (WOBC).

YOUTH GYMNASTICS RESULTS

JINGLE BELL ROCK MEET
Dec. 1 at Eastern Michigan University
 (Livonia Gymnastics Academy Finishers)
LEVEL 7
Leah Sheffield: first place, all-around (35.925); second, vault; third, uneven bars.
Paige Whitaker: first, vault; third, balance beam; all-around (34.90).
Sara Bridges: third, vault.
Tara Dudley: tied for second, floor exercise.
Alex Kitz: second, vault and bars.
Stephanie Lozano: third, beam; tied for third, vault.
Elizabeth McCormick: third, vault.
LEVEL 6
Robyn Lowes: first, vault; second, floor.
Kylie O'Brien: third, vault.
LEVEL 5
Mallory Dorton: tied for first, vault; third, beam and floor.
Lydia Kowalski: first, floor.
Jessica Semaan: second, floor.
Ashley Williams: first, floor; second, vault.
LEVEL 4
Megan Baumeister: first, all-around (36.40); vault and floor; second, beam; third, bars.
Emily Bridges: tied for second, floor.
Emily Divens: first, floor; second, bars.
Alexis Soave: second, all-around (35.65); bars and floor; third, beam.
Jessica Weak: second, vault.
Jillian Zafarana: second, vault.
Morgan Justice and Jessica Lynch: Did not place.

GIRLS

FROM PAGE B1

CHURCHILL 35, REDFORD UNION 25: A 15-6 first-quarter spurt carried Livonia Churchill (1-2) to a non-league win Friday at Redford Union (1-3). Lindsey Graciak and Chelsea Manasian each tallied nine points for the victorious Chargers, who hit 7-of-9 free throws. Stacey Gavin scored eight for the Panthers. "We played solid defense," said Churchill rookie coach Chad Jenkins, who notched his first varsity win. "We used a full-court man-to-man (defense). We pressured the ball and disrupted their offense. We contested shots, got steals and scored points off our defense."
STEVENSON 33, FARMINGTON 22: Despite early foul trouble, Livonia Stevenson (3-1) regrouped in the second half Friday to down the host Falcons (0-4) in a non-league matchup. Sarah Smith and Tasi Newton each scored eight for the Spartans, who outscored Farmington 19-4 the second half after trailing 18-16 at intermission. Taylor Cummings scored seven for Farmington. "Our bench helped out, it was a team win," Stevenson coach Pat Cannon said. "The bench played their roles both offensively and defensively."
LUTHERAN WESTLAND 63, LIGGETT 28: Becca Refenes, a 6-foot-2 junior center, scored a career-high 25 points and added 10 rebounds Friday as host Lutheran High Westland (3-1, 1-0) opened Metro Conference action by routing Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett (0-4, 0-1). "Liggett was undersized, their tallest player was 5-0 so they played zone and they had no answer for Becca in the post," Warriors coach Kevin Wade said. "Our guards did a good job getting her (Refenes) the ball inside." Sophomore forward Rachel Storck added 10 points, while Allyson Yankee, Katy Ramthun and Abi Gieschen each added eight for the Warriors, who led 31-15 at halftime before blowing it wide-open with a 19-5 third-quarter run. Gieschen also had four assists,

while Yankee had three. Catherine Vatsis paced the Knights with 15 points. **FRANKLIN 42, JOHN GLENN 38:** Brianna Taylor scored a game-high 23 points Thursday, including 12-of-17 free throws, to lead host Livonia Franklin (4-0) past Westland John Glenn (2-2) in Western Lakes cross-over. Starter Ashley Price added seven and Seneca Scott contributed five points off the bench for the Patriots, who outscored the Rockets 23-17 in the second half. Franklin was 12-of-26 from the foul line, while Glenn was 16-of-24. Brittany Brown scored 18 to pace Glenn. Nyah McReynolds added eight. The Patriots limited Glenn junior center Brittany Holbrook to a pair of free throws. "Our main problem was that we did not move the ball well," Franklin coach Dave McCall said. "We struggled with our offense. We must have missed 10 layups. But Glenn is a tough team. The played good defense and pressured the ball."
STEVENSON 45, DEARBORN 32: Junior center Kaylee McGrath scored 16 points and yanked down 11 rebounds Thursday to power host Livonia Stevenson (2-1) past the Pioneers (1-3) in a non-league encounter. Senior forward Rachel Stevens chipped in with seven points, while freshman guard Sara Smith had five. Laura Inch paced Dearborn with 12 points. "We played aggressive, we came out and pressed them at the beginning," Stevenson coach Pat Cannon. "I think both teams were nervous to start out, but we turned it on the second and third quarter with our defense. We did a good job fighting through the mental mistakes." Stevenson outscored the Pioneers 27-10 during the middle two periods. The Spartans were 9-of-20 from the foul line, while Dearborn was 11-of-15. **LUTHERAN WESTLAND 43, HURON VALLEY 22:** Junior guard Allyson Yankee scored 13 points and grabbed nine rebounds Thursday to propel visiting Lutheran High Westland (2-1) past neighbor Westland Huron

Valley Lutheran (2-3). Junior center Becca Refenes chipped in with nine points and five rebounds, while Abi Gieschen scored seven points. The Warriors won despite making only 18-of-69 shots from the floor (26 percent), including just 5-of-27 in the second period. They made only 7-of-24 free throws (29 percent). "We missed a lot of shots in the paint in the second quarter," Lutheran Westland coach Kevin Wade said. "But we were able to come out with some pressure trapping and they (Huron Valley) turned it over." Huron Valley's leading scorer, Lauren Adlof (10 points) was saddled with first-half foul trouble. "Lutheran Westland came out ready to play," Huron Valley coach Eric Ruth said. "It's the first time our girls had seen a decent man-to-man defense. They pressed well and our girls did not handle the pressure." Huron Valley was 11-of-32 from the field (34 percent) and only 2-of-8 from the foul line. **COUNTRY DAY 78, WAYNE 23:** Wayne Memorial first-year coach Leslie Williams could have taken the easy way out. She had an opening on her schedule with the options of taking on either Detroit Mumford, Detroit Northwestern or the state's No. 1-ranked team in all classes - Beverly Hills-Detroit Country Day. Williams took on the defending state Class B champions on the road Wednesday and the result was a 53-point setback, dropping the Zebras to 1-2 overall. "They (Country Day) play a very fundamentally sound game," Williams said. "We'll learn from the experience. We just need more time to build tenacity and spirit." Fiaziah Steen's 14 points paced the 3-0 Yellowjackets, while Spencer Lane and Amber Moore added 11 and 10, respectively. Senior guard Trenia Barbee led the Zebras with 16 points. Nastassia Goines added five. Wayne, which trailed 23-13 after one quarter and 49-20 at the half, was outscored 29-3 over the final two periods.



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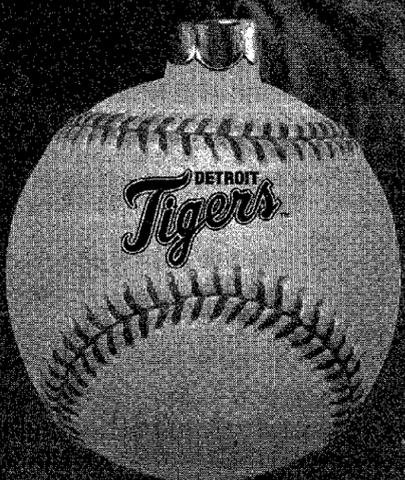
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Peter's Principles

Peter Nielsen

More than 300,000 hip fractures occur in the United States each year. One in five elderly victims die within one year of breaking their hip.

Jennifer from Bloomfield Hills e-mails saying her son does not want to go to bed at night. She is worried he is not getting enough sleep. Should she be concerned?

Jennifer, sleep is very important for everybody, but for kids, the lack of sleep may actually cause them to gain weight.

A study at the University of Michigan found for every additional hour per night a third-grader spends sleeping, reduces the child's risk of obesity by 40 percent. Researchers say the magic number is nine hours and 45 minutes. And if children slept more than that it lowered their risk of obesity significantly. Parents, turn off the television and computer, get up and exercise with your children, and make sure they are eating healthy snacks and meals. And get them to bed early tonight!

If you have a health or fitness question you would like answered in the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*, e-mail Peter through his Web site, www.peternielsen.com. Contact him at Peter Nielsen's Personal Training Club in West Bloomfield or Nielsen's Town Center Health Club in Southfield.

Emergency preparedness

Surgeon trains to treat mass casualties

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Dr. Jeffrey Schock seemed less concerned about his safety than the materials found inside a rocket that landed near the road he was taking into the Israeli city of Sderot in early November. Until then his intense training in emergency and disaster management had consisted only of trauma simulations. The explosive device was real and could have been used by terrorists in Israel or the U.S.

"We pulled over to get a first-hand look at what was happening, the police and military securing off the area. What was interesting there were fragments of the rockets, all kinds of screws and nuts," said Schock of Farmington Hills. "They put all sorts of shrapnel inside so when it explodes it's a population killer as well as a military weapon."

This was one of the harshest lessons Schock learned during the five-day course in emergency and disaster preparedness organized by the Israeli Ministry of Health, the Medical Corps of the Israel Defense Force, and the American Physicians Fellowship for Medicine in Israel. Men, women and children live with the threat of death and bodily harm every minute of every day in Sderot.

As a physician Schock knew nothing about the practices of Israeli first responders until he and 33 other American and Canadian physicians and health care professionals participated in drills for non-conventional warfare, visited hospitals and medical centers equipped for emergencies, and listened to lectures which not only taught them how to care for victims of terrorist attacks in Israel, but prepare for emergencies back home. Schock is a urologic surgeon at Garden City Hospital and Botsford Hospital, and sees patients at Tri-County Urologists in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. He is also vice chairman of urology at Botsford Hospital.

"We need in the United States to have a greater awareness and not forget the lessons of 9/11 and realize we have to have a constant state of preparedness for a mass casualty event," said Schock. "There are improvements we can make in the United States for hospital preparedness. One concept is scoop and run. Visualize if you're the first responder to a mass casualty event. You don't treat on the scene because there is often a second explosive device intended for hospital personnel. You get them on an ambulance and take them to a hospital or medical center. Here first responders attempt to resuscitate the patient to some degree."

From 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Schock went from hospital to hospital, region to region for extensive courses with paramedics, military and hospital coordinators, and volunteers of Magen David Adom (the Israeli equivalent of the American Red Cross), and visited a military base where they train to handle mass casualties caused by rocket attacks and biological and chemical warfare. He plans to share this knowledge with the staffs at Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills and Henry Ford Macomb Hospital in Warren.

"We trained in suits for chemical warfare in case there's a chemical agent used like mustard gas it provides you a degree of protection with oxygen circulating," said Schock. "It's very challenging treating a patient with those heavy materials with a protection suit on and to not just treat a chemical attack or anthrax, but recognize there's always a possibility. One patient I was talking to him and noticed he had a little rash consistent with botulism poisoning where the body becomes paralyzed."

Besides medical simulations, physicians and health care professionals were briefed on psychological effects.

"We had the opportunity to speak to the population," said Schock. "It's the psychological trauma on



This chemical warfare suit with circulating oxygen would protect Dr. Jeffrey Schock in case of a nerve gas attack.

children, parents and society as a whole. We were able to interview some of them. One lady's house was destroyed and (she) lives in a shelter. We visited a school. What was amazing is life goes on as normal, but you don't know what goes on inside, how do they cope with the threat of rocket attacks.

"What I saw when I landed in Tel Aviv Ben Gurion Airport was that it's a very modern society living as if everything is normal. They conduct their lives very similar to the way we do in the United States with the knowledge that they could become involved in a terrorist activity."

By quarter after 7 last Monday morning Schock was introducing himself to the patient being prepped for surgery and giving direction to the team he'd be working with in the OR at Garden City Hospital. As a surgeon Schock said the course helped him to be able to immediately respond while treating patients back home. Still he hasn't forgotten

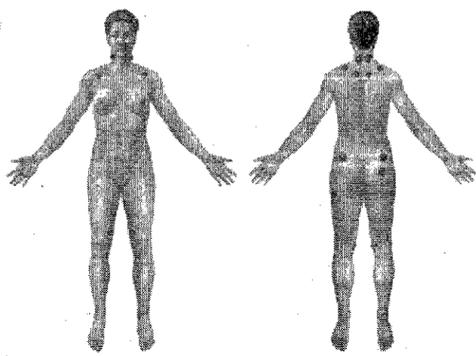
Israel where rocket attacks continue to devastate lives. He's planning on returning in June for two weeks to volunteer in one of the southern region hospitals where he'll see patients and perform surgery using the latest urological procedures for pelvic pain, incontinence, sexual dysfunction as well as cancer.

"I'd like to see other professionals participate," said Schock. "The course is designed so they're able to call me up when they need help treating mass casualties. It's not only designed for that but to help to prepare you as an American physician in the event of a 9/11."

For more information, visit apfmed.org. The American Physicians Fellowship for Medicine in Israel is an organization dedicated to training Israeli physicians and healthcare professionals, and nurturing ties between the American and Israeli healthcare communities.

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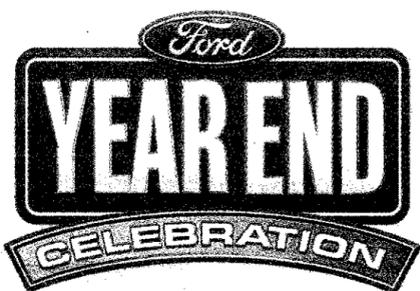
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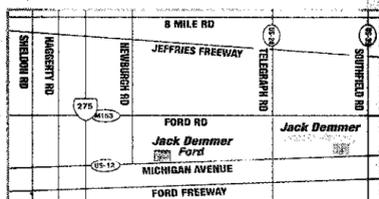
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A time for giving

This is a tough year for nonprofits which help the poor in our communities. Not only have they seen an increased need for food, clothing and services due to job losses and foreclosures, but giving is down for those same reasons.

JA'NOAH HOUSE

Still, Audrey Mattson is hopeful she'll be able to fill the wishes of children in the Brightmoor, Cass Corridor, Brewster Projects and Norwayne area of Westland. Although Mattson's husband Carl died earlier this year, their family is helping carry on the work of the couple's Ja'Noah House in Livonia. Call (734) 522-5077 if you can lend a hand or donate.

"We especially need clothes for boys and girls up to age 10, and especially gloves, even adult gloves to give to the homeless," said Mattson, who's also hoping to brighten the Christmas of girls and boys by including little extras like dolls, cars and trucks.

CAPUCHIN SOUP KITCHENS

Sister Nancyann Turner needs warm socks for the children in the Rosa Parks tutoring and art program at the Capuchin Soup Kitchen on Conner. Call (313) 822-8606, ext. 21, if you can contribute. Turner said while people are looking hard for jobs, they're hard to find these days.

"People never think of socks, hats and mittens or if people want to give grocery store and gas cards, anything that's an educational game and jigsaw puzzles less than 200 pieces," said Turner, a Dominican nun from Livonia. "Or sweat-shirts. It helps keep them warm when the heat's down. And kits that include tape and plastic for sealing windows for weatherizing."

Brother Vincent Reyes could use caps, gloves and coats for kids at the Capuchin Soup Kitchen on Meldrum. The items will be distributed Thursday-Friday, Dec. 20-21. The Capuchins hope to give coats to at least 2300 children. To help, call (313) 579-2100, ext. 203.

"It's unusually cold for this time of year," Reyes said. "When they come into the soup kitchen, they have time to be warmed, but when they leave they're on their own."

FIRST STEP

Theresa Bizoe doesn't want to sound crass, but First Step needs cash donations to help women and children affected by domestic violence and sexual assault. To help or if you're in need of help, call (888) 453-5900 or visit www.firststep-mi.org.

"We encourage people to give gift cards so moms can pick out gifts for their kids. Sometimes we have teenage kids and there may be nothing for a 14-year-old, or to buy things for the shelter, or grocery store cards to buy formula for a baby with special needs, or they could donate gas cards. Lots of times we have to transport

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Holiday magic

Picture books delight children of all ages

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

It's a magical time of year when the latest children's books tell stories about magic beads and cats who share their Christmas lists. These Michigan authors, illustrators and publishers offer a treasure of tales for the holiday gift giving season.

'RACHEL AND THE MAGIC BEADS'

Beth Conway never dreamed of writing a children's book. She was only trying to help ease a young boy's pain over a recent move when she sat down with Johnny Buchanan to bring to life the story of his sister, *Rachel and the Magic Beads*. While the authors reveal Rachel is a very special girl, the reader has no idea she has Down syndrome until the last page. Conway said she was trying to show that Rachel was just like any other 12-year-old girl.

"It's a very sweet story. These are magic beads. When you're sad, you shake them," said Beth Conway of Livonia.

Conway could have used magic beads to find Virginia Bosak to illustrate the book. For 18 months, the story languished until one day Conway met the Livonia artist while she was hanging a show. The two decided to self-publish the book, which was printed in Canada by Friesens. They'll sign copies 3-6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at Avalon Faire, 195 W. Nine Mile, Suite B2 in Ferndale; 20 percent of the proceeds will be donated to the Belle Center in Chicago, which supports the

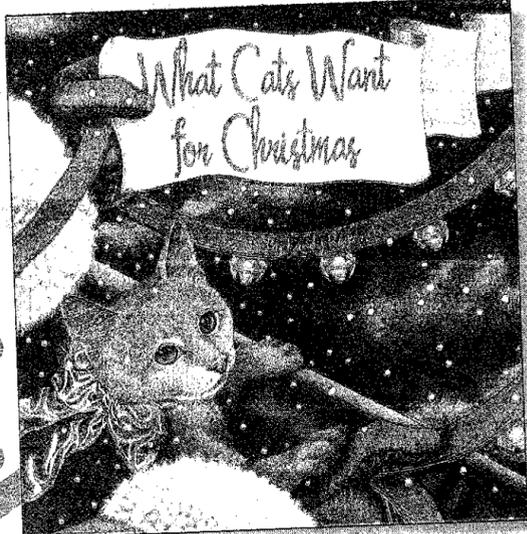
rights of all children to be fully integrated in the community. Rachel has been mainstreamed throughout her school years. For more information, visit www.rachelandthemagicbeads.com. The book costs \$7.99 and comes with green beads.

"I love the book," Bosak said. "Everybody who reads it is touched by it."

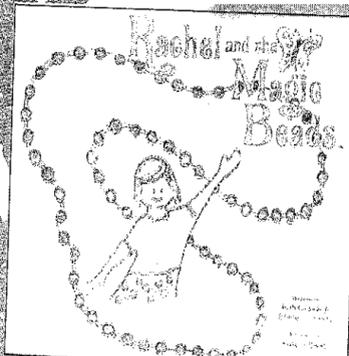
'WHAT CATS WANT FOR CHRISTMAS'

Even though Kandy Radzinski lives with two Scottie dogs, her latest book whimsically reveals *What Cats Want for Christmas* through a cast of feline characters, including one that wants a big silver dish

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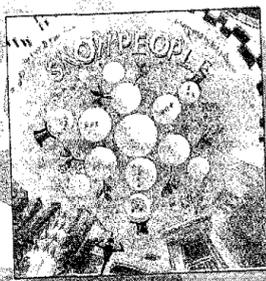
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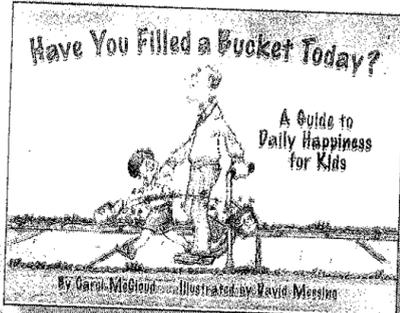
Rachel and the Magic Beads by Beth Conway and Johnny Buchanan with illustrations by Virginia Bosak



The Christmas Boot by Lisa Wheeler with illustrations by Michael Glenn Monroe



Snowpeople by Rick and Ryan Zeeb with illustrations by Trish Burgio



Have You Filled a Bucket Today? by Carol McCloud with illustrations by David Messing

Special childhood memories sought

Do you still think about the toy train you received one year as a kid or a doll house your dad made? *The Observer Newspapers* wants to hear about the special gift you received as a child for Christmas.

On Dec. 23, the Hometownlife section will feature our readers' memories. Send your story to hgallagher@hometownlife.com or *The Observer Newspapers*, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, Attn: Hugh Gallagher. The deadline for receipt is Monday, Dec. 17.



Finnish American Singers go home for the holidays

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

The smell of fresh baked cookies is sure to put the audience in the holiday mood for the Finnish American Singers Dec. 16 concert at the Finnish Cultural Center. The goodies go on sale before the concert and are followed by a smorgasbord of Finnish food so the community can experience a taste of Finnish culture. The audience can then settle back to hear Finnish carols.

Ilene Yanke orchestrated the afternoon. She is president of the choral group which hopes to raise funds so that they all can go on singing. Yanke has baked up Finnish prune tarts along with Dee Aebersold of Beverly Hills.

Aebersold has been a member since the

A FINNISH CHRISTMAS

What: Finnish American Singers perform a concert featuring Finnish carols as well as classical music
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Where: Finnish Cultural Center, 35200 W. Eight Mile, between Newburgh and Gill, Farmington Hills
Tickets: \$10. For information, call (248) 478-6939.

group was known as the Loon Lake Singers back in the 1980s.

"I remember when members only sang in Finnish except for *The Star-Spangled Banner*," said Dee Aebersold, who is proud of being 100-percent Finnish.

Aebersold learned to bake Finnish

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Members of the Finnish American Singers, from left, Maire Vint, Ilene Yanke, Diana Haefelan, Dee Aebersold, and Birgit Kuck hold a sample of some of the Finnish baked goods that will be available at their upcoming concert.



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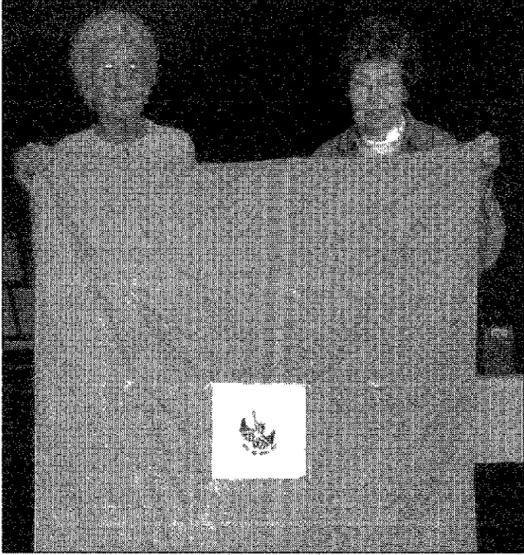
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Elizabeth Druckery and Arienne Baugh of Faith Lutheran Church display one of the blankets the church group sewed for the Soldiers Angels organization.

Piece Makers become Soldiers Angels by sewing blankets

Women of Faith Lutheran Church in Livonia sewed and constructed 15 blankets that were shipped to Soldiers Angels in California.

Soldiers Angels is an organization started by a military mom whose son told her that some soldiers/Marines do not get mail so she created Soldiers Angels and set up a Web site (soldierangels.org) with information on all the ways people can help.

When the blankets arrive at Soldiers Angels in California they are put in a first response back pack which consists of a change of clothes, underwear, sweatshirt, calling card, toilet-ries, and blanket of Hope that go out directly to the combat support hospitals on the ground

in Iraq and Afghanistan. The addition of the blankets make it personalized and are the highlight of the back packs.

The women of Faith Church attached a note to each blanket stating their name, Piece Makers of Faith Lutheran Church, address and e-mail address so the soldier/Marine can relate to a person or group.

The Sunday before the blankets were shipped Pastor Robert Carr offered a prayer asking that the blankets bring love and comfort to those receiving them.

Materials for the project were provided by members of the congregation and through a grant from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, a Fraternal Organization.

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filled with little silver fish. Radzinski just finished painting a watercolor of a Scottie for next year's *What Dogs Want for Christmas* to give her canine housemates equal time since her book, *The Twelve Cats of Christmas*, was also about those independent creatures.

"I think I chose cats because they're pretty and they happened to be in my head at time," said Radzinski, who lives in Oklahoma.

Sleeping Bear Press (www.sleepingbearpress.com) in Chelsea published the book.

'WINTER'S GIFT'

Jane Monroe Donovan's book, *Winter's Gift*, was released three years ago, but continues to be a best seller in the Sleeping Bear Press catalog. It is the first book Donovan's written, although she's illustrated five others.

"I think it remains popular because it's not about materialism. *Winter's Gift* is a different message — it's relationships that are really important," said Donovan, of Pinckney. "My grandparents were the models. They had a good marriage."

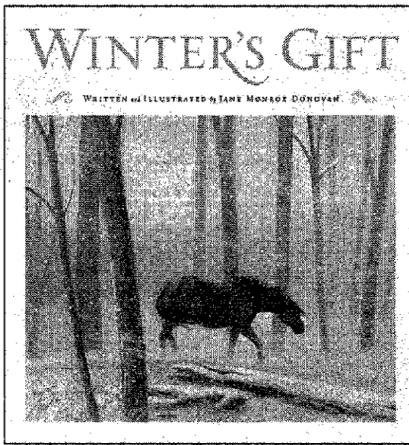
Donovan said her ideas "came in bits and pieces" for the book about resuming life after the death of a loved one.

"I was sitting at an ice rink with my son. You can really imagine being cold, what the horse felt," Donovan said. "It's as much for adults as children. I think maybe older people get one thing out of it if they've lost somebody in their life, it's the idea of having hope. When I read the story to young kids, they're more concerned with the horse being OK, although they do seem to get the connection with the star."

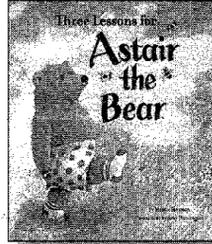
'THE CHRISTMAS BOOT'

The message for Lisa Wheeler's book, *The Christmas Boot*, came to her while working at a toy store. Illustrated by Michael Glens Monroe, *The Christmas Boot* is the 24th book Wheeler's written. It was published by Mitten Press in Ann Arbor (www.mittenpress.com). The story is about a woman who finds a magic boot that answers all her wishes, until one day an old man appears to take it all back.

"You see so much materialism and it's so sad," said Wheeler, of Trenton. "Here was a woman who was given all this and she



Winter's Gift by Jane Monroe Donovan



Three Lessons for Astair the Bear by Martin Brennan with illustrations by Amy Huntington

didn't need it. She needed someone. All she wanted was someone to talk, someone who could love her back."

It's no surprise, since Wheeler is a "huge dog lover," that the woman in the story finds love in the eyes of a puppy.

'THREE LESSONS FOR ASTAIR THE BEAR'

Martin Brennan hopes readers have as much fun as he did rhyming all the lines in *Three Lessons for Astair the Bear* from Mitten Press (www.mittenpress.com). The book was illustrated by Amy Huntington.

"The book came from the words themselves," said Brennan, of Howell. "I had the beginning in my head — "There was once was a bear named Astair who woke up and said I don't care." I wanted it to have some humor and conflict. I hope they laugh a little bit, if they scratch their head and reflect on what happens with anger or if it can raise some questions at the very least that they find it entertaining."

'FIRST SNOW IN THE WOODS'

Carl R. Sams II and Jean Stoick thought they were working on a book about fall when suddenly they came across a photograph of a fawn they'd followed through the first snow in Kensington Metropark a couple of years ago. The husband and wife team have taken more than 400,000 images of wildlife, so narrowing a storyline down isn't always easy. Their third book in a series about animals in the woods is about that fawn. For more information, visit www.carlsams.com and click on books.

"We're trying to teach lessons about nature to kids," said Sams, of Milford, who's won many awards with Stoick for their books *Stranger in the Woods* and *Lost in the Woods*. "The great grey owl generally winters in Canada, but when winters are too harsh, he comes down.

The fawn has observed everybody preparing. He gets caught in the blizzard and thinks he's not prepared. The animals listen to that voice in their head. He learns to follow his heart."

'SNOWPEOPLE'

It was easy for Rick and Ryan Zeeb to write about *Snowpeople*, so when Saks Fifth Avenue contacted them the two brothers simply called on their childhoods in Michigan.

Although their careers later took them to southern California, they never forgot the winters.

Their story about snowpeople deals with diversity. The book, illustrated by Trish Burgio, is available at all Saks Fifth Avenue Stores and at www.saks.com. A portion of the proceeds go to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

"Saks has put out children's books before. They wanted it to be about snowflakes and snowpeople. We are musicians and have written a lot of songs together. I hope there is a message to be yourself," said Rick Zeeb, a cartographer (map maker).

'HAVE YOU FILLED A BUCKET TODAY?'

Carol McCloud's book on bucket filling continues to win awards for inspiring children and adults to do nice things for others. The latest honor was the 2007 Writer's Digest International Self-Published Book Awards. For more information, visit www.bucketfillers101.com.

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The Finnish American Singers rehearse for their upcoming holiday concert.

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treats as a girl "when everything was made from scratch."

Like Aebersold, Charlotte Lytikainen's parents came from Finland. She has fond memories of the carols she heard at home.

"Singing Finnish songs is easy for me," said Lytikainen, who like Aebersold speaks Finnish. The 83-year-old Farmington Hills resident is baking Finnish cardamom cookies for the bake sale before the concert.

Director Henry Naasko is planning to bake Finnish cardamom cookies as well. He's especially excited about this year's concert.

"The theme is bells and almost all the songs have bells," said Naasko, who's of Finnish descent. "And this year for the first time in many years we have new members."

Diana Haefelin joined the singers about 18 months ago. She baked her first coconut hill (cocos makronen) in Germany. Although named the Finnish American Singers, several of the members come from various countries. Although Haefelin and Birgit Kuck were born in Germany, they met after joining the Finnish American Singers. Today, both live in Farmington Hills.

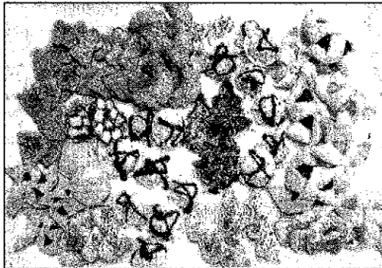
"I start baking before the first Sunday in December," said Haefelin, who sang in two choirs in Germany. She sings her first solo, *Christmas Tree*, at the Dec. 16 concert. "On Christmas Eve we get presents and the next day visit our families."

Maire Vint was born in Finland but grew up in Australia. She made gingerbread cookies in Scandinavian style. Like Haefelin and Kuck she celebrates on Christmas Eve.

"We have a candlelight dinner with Christmas carols playing the background," said Vint of Canton, "then gather around the Christmas tree."



Henry Naasko leads the Finnish American Singers through a song as the group rehearses at the Finnish Cultural Center in Farmington Hills.



A sampling of the Finnish baked goods that will be available at the Finnish American Singers upcoming concert.

Bill Gramzow experienced some of the Finnish traditions when he visited Finland with Yanke who stayed in the homes of her seven cousins there. The Ypsilanti pianist is inviting the community to taste the food and listen to the music as he accompanies the singers in concert.

"It's impossible to separate a Finn from their culture," said Gramzow, who grew up in Detroit and Redford. "The Finns live their culture. They want you to experience the food. They absolutely love their music."

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people to court," said Bizoe, associate director of First Step.

Bizoe says the shelter is almost always full, so it's crucial to keep it open to provide a safe haven. A couple of weeks ago, there were 30 children and their mothers staying at the undisclosed location.

Two upcoming benefits give the community an opportunity to have fun while helping others. On Wednesday, Dec. 12, IKEA in Canton opens its doors for a discounted shopping day (10 a.m. to 9 p.m.). The cost is \$10 at the door. All proceeds go to First Step. In return, shoppers receive a 10-percent discount.

Brian Duggan holds his 18th Charity Dance and casino night from 7:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, Feb. 8, at Burton Manor in Livonia. Tickets are \$45. The dance is usually sold out, so Bizoe encourages supporters to buy tickets early at www.firststepcharitydance.org.

"Our counselors are looking for white noise machines to help block so other people can't hear the counseling going on, and a list of books we give to clients from our lending library," Bizoe said.

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Volunteer a day of service

Beginning in January, a Day of Service and Spirituality will be made available by the Capuchin Soup Kitchen and the Solanus Casey Center.

"This is an opportunity to examine one's faith," Brother Jerry, executive director of the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, said. "Jesus gave us instructions on how to treat others. Due to busy schedules, individuals don't always have the opportunity to directly serve others or perhaps they don't know where to start. This is a good starting point. The purpose of the day is to serve, to meet, and to have one's faith grow."

The Day of Service and Spirituality allows groups to help at the Capuchin Services Center and dine with the guests at the Capuchin Soup Kitchen. A tour of the Earth Works urban garden, which provides six tons of produce each season, will also be made available. The day concludes with a self-guided tour of the Solanus

Casey Center, a spirituality center dedicated to the Capuchin friar who is credited with miraculous cures and valued for his wise and compassionate counsel. Today, work is underway seeking sainthood for Father Solanus.

"This is an opportunity for a group to provide much needed help. It also provides an opportunity to put a face and a name to those they are helping. Everyone has their own story and something to share. This is an excellent opportunity to share and to listen to those who are often times ignored," said Brother Jerry.

The minimum age is 7th grade and the maximum size of the group is 30. The day starts at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 2:30 p.m. There is no cost. Lunch is included. For more information, send e-mail to ccrane@thecapuchins.org.

To learn more about the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, visit www.eskdetroit.org.

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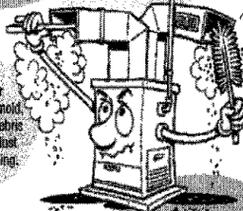
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Local company makes life easier

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

When Robert Mazur's grandmother began having problems opening medication for her arthritis, the Ann Arbor man began toying around with ideas and came up with an opener. Mazur decided to appeal to cat and dog lovers by designing the device in the shape of these pet animals. After developing eight prototypes and receiving a student business grant from the



Mike Brace opens a pill bottle using their tool.

University of Michigan, Mazur with the help of his brothers Michael and Jerry started a company, B.A. Maze, Inc. (Be Amazing!) based in Canton.

Today, the DogGone and Purrfect openers are available at all Meijer stores and cost under \$10. For information, visit www.purrfectopener.com or call (800) 708-6736.

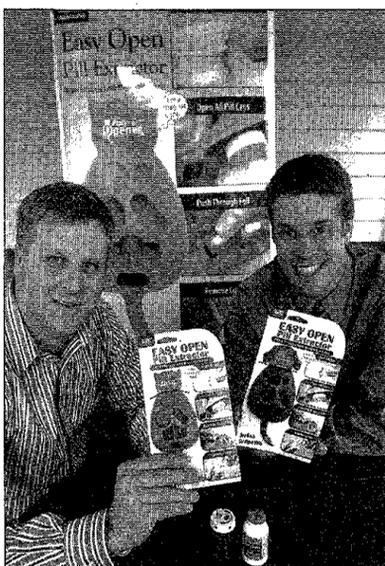
Manufactured in Allendale near Grand Rapids, the product is

shipped to Mazur who does all of the packaging with the help of friends and family.

"After the Tylenol scare of 80s they put all this packaging on that made it difficult to open," said Mazur, the 36-year old inventor and president of the company. "Our focus is health care products for independent living, to keep them independent in the home."

In addition to introducing a Purrfect Gripper during the first quarter of 2008, Mazur is working on expanding the flat area on the opener so companies can use the space for advertising.

"We filed three patents this year," said Mazur who received his mechanical engineering degree from Lawrence Technological University then worked in the automotive business. "We're trying to give them more of a selection. Any money



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Mike Brace and Robert Mazur with the Purrfect and Dog Gone child-proof bottle openers.

we've made we've poured back into the company. We're not profitable yet because we're investing so much in research and development."

The company is taking a new direction with advertising as well by hiring Mike Brace as vice president of marketing and sales. Most recently Mazur and Brace have been out on the road approaching veterinarians and pet supply businesses with the hope of attracting animal lovers, but they still attend trade shows for groups such as occupational therapists.

"It's a new adventure," said Mike Brace, 37 of Plymouth. "It's for people with limited hand mobility."

WEDDING



Rzepka-Krass

Amy Marie Rzepka and Robert William Krass were married Oct. 26, 2007, at St. Edith Catholic Church in Livonia with Monsignor Michael LeFevre officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Colleen and Jerry Rzepka of Livonia. She is a 1999 graduate of Ladywood High School and a 2003 graduate of Albion College.

The groom is the son of Chris and Bob Krass of South Lyon. He is a 1998 graduate of Brighton High School and a 2002 graduate of Michigan State University.

The bride was attended by her sister, Erin Rzepka, who was the maid of honor, and her other sister, Kathy Rzepka, and her cousin, Kristin Vela.

The groom's brother, Jeff Krass, was the best man and his friends, Phinney Masoner and Ryan Stowers were the groomsmen.

A reception was held at St. Mary's Cultural and Banquet Center in Livonia. The couple will honeymoon in Kamalame Cay Island in January and make their home in Chicago.

ENGAGEMENTS



Abraham-Hill

Bill and Karen Abraham of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Amanda Karen Abraham, to Michael Scott Hill.

Amanda is a 1998 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School. She earned a bachelor's degree in economics/accounting from the College Holy Cross in 2002 and a masters in teaching from Wayne State University in 2007. She currently teaches at Divine Child High School.

Michael is the son of John and Elaine Hill of Clinton Township. He graduated from Notre Dame High School in 1996. He earned a bachelor science degree in mechanical engineering from the

University of Michigan in 2000. He is currently an engineer at General Motors.

An August 2008 wedding is planned at St. Kenneth Church in Plymouth followed by a reception at the Mayflower Meeting House Grand Ballroom.



Lindgren-Kirby

Donald Lindgren of Farmington Hills and Laura Lindgren of Livonia join Michael and Karen Kirby of Gladwin in announcing the marriage of Amy Lindgren and Steve Kirby.

The nuptials will take place on Dec. 29 at The Silver Garden in Southfield.

Amy graduated from Farmington Harrison High School in 1999. She is a graduate of Western Michigan University and is now in her third year at the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law.

Steve graduated from Frankenmuth High School in 1999 and is a graduate of

Western Michigan University. Steve received his master's degree from Marquette University in Wisconsin and is currently a lieutenant jg in the U.S. Navy stationed in Gulfport, Ms.

ANNIVERSARIES

Cassars celebrate 25th

Reno and Mary Cassar of Livonia celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on Nov. 13.

In 1982, they were married at All Saints Church in southwest Detroit by the Rev. Richard Hartmann and honeymooned in Hawaii.

Reno works for GM Powertrain in Ypsilanti and Mary is employed by Gluski and Young in Dearborn Heights.

They have lived in Livonia for 21 years.

The Cassars have four children: Amanda, a student at



Western Michigan University; Paul, a student at Northwood University; Margaret, a senior at Stevenson High School; and Ila, a freshman at Stevenson.

A small celebratory dinner, including entertainment and karaoke was held at O'Mally's Bar and Grill in Livonia with their parents, Frank and Giovanna Cassar of



Woodhaven and Mike and Ila Mae Lancendorfer of Detroit, additional family members and close friends.

Bittingers celebrate 25th anniversary

Lee and Noel Bittinger of Canton are celebrating their 25th anniversary.

They were married Dec. 28, 1982.

The couple met at Ford Motor Co. when Lee hired Noel as a part-time engineering student. After a few months, Lee laid off the engineering students, including Noel. They dated for several years.

Lee says, "I hired her, then I fired her, then I felt sorry for her and took her in."

They received their real estate licenses in 1983 and have been in the real estate business ever since.

Lee and Noel love to travel and go on hiking trips. Last year they hiked to the Grand Canyon. Lee is an avid reader and history and archeology student. Noel loves adventure trips



and recently completed two marathons.

The couple have no children but two Maltese dogs, Niles and Daphne.

The couple will celebrate their 25th anniversary on a Nile cruise in Egypt with family and friends.

Celebration recalls Celtic traditions

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Mick Gavin fondly remembers decorating their home in Ireland with berry holly and wants to share the country's traditions so he's holding a Celtic Christmas Saturday, Dec. 15, at Monaghan K of C Hall in Livonia. Gavin feels a lot of folks have forgotten the original intent of the holiday to celebrate the birth of Christ.

"I feel it will bring in a lot of children into the Christian heritage. We hope to have a priest and revive some of the traditions," said Mick Gavin, a Redford fiddler who regularly produces Irish music and dance events.

"We'll have liturgical music, and nondenominational, a lot of Irish Catholics and Irish Protestants participating, Scottish songs and hymns. We have a Celtic cousin relationship with the Scots."

The evening's special musical guest is Wallace Hood of the Irish Rovers. Gavin and the 10-piece Crossroads Ceili Band play songs like The Bells of Belfast, Christmas in Killarney and Codall a Linbh (Sleep O Child).

"We'll have a Gaelic singer singing Silent Night and also have sheets of paper with the songs for a sing-a-long with the band," said Gavin.



Kelsey Lutz of Ann Arbor and Slobhan McKinney, Madison Heights perform at the Celtic Christmas on Saturday in Livonia.

Along with Irish step and set dancing, instructors John and Kitty Heinzmann will teach the basics to anyone interested in taking a lesson. Proceeds from the \$10 sale of tickets at the door goes to the Heinzmann School of Dance and Comhaltas Irish School of Music which brings in teachers for master classes with students. Gavin said he "arranges these parties for the youngsters to perform."

"We'll have Irish Christmas cake from The Irish Baker in Livonia, and potato leek soup, beef stew, Mulligatawny soup, and Scottish brides and pies," said Gavin.

While the food and open bar

cost extra, Gavin will share his memories for free.

"There were traditions like unlocking of the door and lighting of the candle (to welcome Mary and Joseph), and decorating the homes with berry holly," said Gavin who came to America in 1974. "When I was 12 and 14 I would sell it for a shilling a bundle. People in the city would love kids going around door to door. I remember seeing a huge berry holly tree one year but when we went back with our horse and buggy to cut it down the tree was gone. Someone beat us to it."

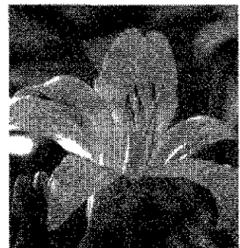
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Sister Mary Susan Duffy, RSM

Sister of Mercy, Physician

(Farmington Hills, MI) - Sister Mary Susan Duffy, RSM, a Sister of Mercy for 43 years, died on December 7, 2007 at McAuley Retirement Center in Farmington Hills. She was 60. She was born to Patrick and Mary Mildred (Freund) Duffy on December 26, 1946 in Dubuque, Iowa. She joined the Sisters of Mercy in 1964 at the Provincial House at Mercy College of Detroit, where she received the name, Sister Jude Mary. She professed perpetual vows on August 6, 1971. Sister Susan (she returned to her baptismal name in 1969) earned a bachelor's degree from Mercy College of Detroit, Michigan, and taught junior and senior high science classes in schools sponsored or staffed by the Sisters of Mercy in Michigan. She received a Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of Michigan in 1978. After completing her residency at Henry Ford Hospital and becoming board certified in Obstetrics and Gynecology, Susan practiced in Michigan, and for many years in Ohio, serving in Toledo, Bedford Heights, Cleveland, and until her death, in Logan, a small community where the Appalachian Trail begins. In response to the question on her application form for entrance to the congregation: "What are your motives for becoming a religious?" Susan wrote: "To attain salvation by helping others as a Sister of Mercy." And that is exactly what she did. She became single-minded, actually single-hearted, about providing service especially to those women and children pushed to society's margins. For most of her professional life Susan worked difficult shifts and volunteered to cover holidays so that her colleagues would be able to spend that time with their families. Sister Susan is survived by her mother, Mrs. Mildred Duffy and her four sisters Jean, Kit, Colleen, and Maggie, and by the members of her Mercy community. A welcoming service will take place on Sunday, December 9, 2007 at 3 pm at McAuley Center, 28750 W. Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, followed by a vigil and remembrance service at 7 pm. The Mass of Resurrection will be celebrated in McAuley Center's Sacred Heart Chapel on December 10, 2007 at 10 am, with burial in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield, Michigan. McCabe Funeral Home, Farmington Hills, is in charge of arrangements. Memorial contributions may be made to the Sisters of Mercy McAuley Center Fund, 29000 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48336.



MARY M. FORAN

December 4, 2007, age 81. Survived by her daughter, Linda; grandchildren, Danielle, Chip, Jessica, Katie and Richard; a brother, Theodore A. (Elsie) Urban; nieces Connie, Carol, Cathy and Lynnette; nephews Teddy, Mike and Craig; sister-in-law, Nanette (Thomas) Held; and grandniece, Peekka. Mary's family is celebrating her reunion with her beloved husband, Richard and son, Jeff (Jane). The family would like to thank dear caregivers Dianne, Karon, Amanda and Christi and acknowledge the support of Dave Armstrong, Chris and Kathy. Services were entrusted to McCabe Funeral Home with interment at Glen Eden Cemetery. Memorial donations can be made to Farmington Hills Parks & Recreation.



EDWARD (Ted) GREGG

Of Deerfield Beach, FL passed away on December 1, 2007. He was admitted to the hospital on November 15th, after a fall and developed complications after successful surgery. Mr. Gregg was born in the United Kingdom and came to this country as a child. He served in the U.S. Army in WWII in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater. He was transferred to Ft. Devens, MA, where he met his loving wife of 61 years, Rita (Palermo) Gregg, from Lawrence, MA. He was a member of Veteran's of Foreign Wars, Post 345. He spent most of his working years in the auto industry at Nash-Kelvinator, American Motors and, until his retirement in September of 1979, as Supervisor of Special Studies, in the Marketing Representation Dept. of Chrysler Corporation. He had a wonderful sense of humor and enjoyed playing tennis, golf and bowling with his friends, traveling and attending all sports in Detroit. It was a thrill for him to have the pleasure of meeting the legendary Ted Williams and hockey great, Gordie Howe. He is survived by his brother, Herbert Gregg of Venice, FL; nephews, Larry Gregg and his wife, Miriam; Lynn Gregg and his wife, Lynn, their son, Christopher, daughter, Kelly of Canton, MI; niece Carol Kelly and husband, Mike, their daughters, Lindsay and Lauren, and son, Shane, of Southlake, TX and many nieces and nephews on his wife's side. Cremation at Kraer-Becker Funeral Home in Deerfield Beach, FL. Service will be private.

GLORIA ANN JENKINS

Age 81, of Almont passed away Tuesday, December 4, 2007. She was born in Missouri on September 8, 1926, the daughter of Cecil and Hazel Jenkins. She has a masters Degree in Counseling and was retired from Birmingham Public Schools. She was a teacher at Covington Middle School. She has traveled every continent in the world. Gloria was an amazing friend to many she considered family. She is survived by her brother-in-law William Hoffman, nieces Susan and Diane Weaver, Janet and Nancy Gilbert, and many good friends including Ed & Angie Isaacs, Rosalie Allie, Nel Melnik, and Delphine Patnales. She is preceded in death by her parents and sister Marie Hoffman. A memorial luncheon will be held 12pm on December 17, 2007 at Rivercrest Banquet Center in Rochester. Arrangements were entrusted to Muir Brothers Funeral Home in Almont, MI.

WILFRID F. NAEL

Age 88, 12-5-07. Wife, Josphine; son, Patrick (Sabrina). L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, Westland, MI 734-522-9400



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AWAITING YOUR CALL
Honest, attractive SBF, 25, 5'2", 150lbs, mother, employed, caring, looking to meet outgoing, child-friendly, respectful Christian man to enjoy dinner dates, good talks, family, friendship and fun. ♣237322

TAKE A CHANCE
SWF, 25, 5'2", medium build, athletic, enjoys sports, working on cars, bowling, pool, Italian food, music, my dogs, having fun. Seeking outgoing, fun-loving guy to get to know, share fun. ♣213228

CLASS ACT & GOOD CATCH
Free kitten to good home. Affectionate, attractive, intelligent DWFF, 33, N/S, upbeat with class, warmth and sense of humor, seeks LTR with monogamous, romantic gentleman, 55-69. Make me purr. ♣238978

YOUR SOULMATE IS WAITING
SBF, 27, 5'4", chocolate complexion, pretty brown eyes, dimples, thick build, looking for SBF, 28-60, for friendship and possibly more. ♣226022

ARE YOU SEEKING?
DWF, 63, 5'2", Italian, brunette, attractive, well-dressed, sincere, loving, optimistic, likes theater, travel, dining, fitness. Seeking a nice, successful, 58-70, financially secure, easygoing, good morals, loves family, for dating. ♣630908

BUSY GIRL
Very cute 48-year-old SWF, could easily pass for 35, 5', 115lbs, long brown wavy hair, looking for someone to spice up my life. ♣221116

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40-80, who's looking for commitment, love and laughter. I'm a 46-year-old who's bright, spunky and pretty. Only Jewish men please. ♣962317

LET'S HAVE FUN
SWF, likes camping, fishing, hiking, motor-cycles, seeking a SWF, 36-63, who enjoys the same, for friendship first, possible LTR. ♣244983

COULD U BE THE ONE 4 ME?
Active SWF, 52", blonde, fun-loving, nurse likes boating, traveling, sports, dancing and dining, seeking a SWF, 70-78, who enjoys the same, for friendship, maybe more. ♣231724

HELLO OUT THERE
SWF, 39 years young, seeks SWM, who enjoys life simple pleasures. I enjoy dining out, computers, movies, the parks walks, travel and life in general. Friendship first. ♣241286

WILD AND SOPHISTICATED
Ebony woman desires shared love relationship for mental, emotional, physical, spiritual and financial uplifting. 40-50. ♣147056

CLASSY LADY
SBF, 36, 5'3", N/S, seeking a SBF, 35-49, who enjoys sports, dining, traveling and movies, for friendship first, maybe more. ♣18250

DO-WOP TO CLASSICS
DWF, 56, 5'4", N/S, with traditional values, shapely blond, enjoys concerts, dining, classic cars, the lake, dancing, ISO christian +, N/S, gentleman, 50+, for dating, open to new activities. Rochester. ♣229223

SWEET SEXY LADY WANTS...
To be swept off my feet! Very pretty SWF, 42, bruneta, 5'6", 133lbs, N/S, seeks good-looking, tall SWM, 40-45, honest, cosmetic surgeon, college-educated, romantic, sensual, for friendship first, possible LTR. ♣235304

READ THIS AD!
SWF, 61, N/S, homebody, enjoys cuddling, scary movies and antiques, searching for a SWM, 52+, with various interest and qualities. ♣164114

HIDDEN TREASURE
I'm the needle in the haystack and there you will find true love. Seeking SM, 65+. ♣212790

LOOKING FOR ME?
SBF, 46, 5'8", dark complexion, slim, cute, looking for tall, attractive, sweet guy, kind and understanding to share all the good things life offers. ♣152221

LOOKING FOR ME?
SBF, 37, attractive, trustworthy, down-to-earth, with grown son likes walks, movies, dinners, park, music. Seeking BM, 38-55, for friendship, possible romance. ♣220303

SEEKING FRIENDSHIP
SBF, young 60s, wife and mother, caring, nice-looking, 5'3", 155lbs, N/S, N/D, N/Drugs, clean, honest living, partly retired, enjoys art, card playing, casinos, and movies. Seeking honest man 50-80, race open. ♣134425

IN THIS BOX U CAN FIND...
a 42-year-old SWF, ISO SWM, 38-45, for friendship and possibly more. I'm sociable, affectionate, 5'7", 120lbs, long dark curly hair, N/D, N/S, D/D-free, never married, no children. Interested? Call. ♣224748

COULD IT BE YOU?
SBF, 44, professional, hard-working, independent, enjoys church, shopping, more. Looking for a SPM, 44, employed, open-minded, warm-hearted and considerate, to share all life has to offer. ♣235988

A GOOD FRIEND GIRL
SWF, 25, enjoys intelligent conversations, cuddling, movies, art and relaxing at home sometimes. Searching for a SM, 21-45, who enjoys the same, to get to know, friendship, maybe more. ♣252375

THE ONE
Loving, sincere SBF, 58, easygoing, looking for a good-hearted, Christian gentleman with The Lord in his heart to share life, laughter, happiness and possible LTR. ♣242234

COULD YOU BE THE ONE
Bright, spunky, pretty SBF, 46, educator, outgoing, pretty eyes, wishing to meet a kind Jewish man, 45-60, who's looking for commitment, love and laughter. ♣230694

LET'S TALK SOMETIME
SBFC, 38, 5'6", 120lbs, smoker, loves jazz. Seeking BF, 30-45, smoker, for dining out and movies, for friendship, possible romance. ♣152399

BF SEEKING MR. RIGHT
SBF, 38 mother, N/S, seeking WM 40-60, N/S, for a friendship that could turn into something more. I enjoy life, reading, travel, camping, fishing and trying new things. ♣232181

GET TO KNOW ME
Loving, open-minded SBF, 60, 145lbs, attractive, enjoys music, dining, concerts, travel, ISO honest, compassionate SM, 57-65, N/S, possible LTR. ♣963780

LOOKING FOR A COMPANION
Tall, attractive WWF, 60s, enjoys good conversation, walks, playing board/card games, antiques and more. Looking for honest gentleman, 64-80, with a wide variety of interest to share all life offers. ♣236416

DO YOU EXIST?
DWF, 58, 5'7", slender, very attractive, college-educated, enjoys movies, theater, sports, concerts, dining and travel. Seeking widowed/divorced WPM, 55-63, athletic, healthy, tall, N/S, DD-free, with good sense of humor. ♣202026

VERY CUTE
SBF, 56, 5'3", 122lbs, interested in fit, good-looking, confident male, 45-58, N/S, intelligent, sincere, down-to-earth who wants to commit to someone special. ♣113199

HERE I AM GUYS
Loving, sexy SBF, 34, caramel complexion, 5'5", 155lbs, brown eyes, independent, employed, secure. Seeking warm-hearted intelligent, commitment-minded man who wants to share something real. ♣238307

LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL

Attractive SWF, 50s, 5'7", 125lbs, loves all life, animals, arts, family, nature, spirituality, Masters helping professional. Seeking kind-hearted, financially/emotionally secure, intelligent DPM, 48-68, for fun, friendship, depth, etc. ♣892242

LOOKING FOR A FRIEND
SBF, 19, full-figured, 5'4", caramel complexion looking for a good man to enjoy talks, hang out with and just get to know. ♣223030

HOPE TO HEAR FROM YOU
WWF, 57, homeowner, independent, a little lonely, dog owner, enjoys quiet times, good talks and togetherness. Seeking a kind man to share these. ♣211330

BEAUTIFUL MAKEUP ARTIST
Sincere, kind SWF, 53, proportionate, 5'6", 124lbs, professional, attractive, intelligent and educated, loves music, dancing, motor-cycles, outdoors, movies and creative pursuits. Seeking attractive gentleman, 42-53, with like interests/qualities, for friendship/LTR. ♣230791

POSSIBLE LTR
SWFF, 58, 5'7", attractive, slender, athletic, N/S, enjoys sports, concerts, dining out, seeks SWPM, 55-82, N/S, college degree, healthy, SOH, possible LTR. ♣993381

HELLO
DWF, 57, 5'4", 180lbs, size 16, attractive red-head, retired RN, homeowner, smoker, loves cooking, movies, good company, conversation and travel. Give me a call. All call returned. ♣229066

HOW ARE YOU?
SBF, 29, mom of 2, N/S, fun-loving, caring, compassionate, likes cooking, painting, walks, beaches, family times. Seeking a nice guy with zest for life, to share a little happiness. ♣200770

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Classy SBF, hoping to meet mature SBF, 45-60. I'm a very passionate, affectionate, loving person, who enjoys a variety of activities. If you're seeking your soulmate, why not try me? ♣985794

NURSE
Attractive SWF, 64, 5', 135lbs, dark hair, blue eyes, fair skin, looking for N/S, honest gentleman, 60-70, who has numerous interests including history, traveling, and home life. ♣409879

WHY NOT CALL?
SBF, full-figured, seeks a SM, 37-80, for friendship, possible LTR. Call me, let's get together and get to know each other. ♣217234

LET'S TALK
SF, 31, 5'9", brown/blue, Pisces, enjoys romantic dinners, movies, nice talks, quiet walks, simple fun. Looking for a nice, easygoing, simple guy to share friendship and fun. ♣213822

LOOKING FOR AN EXPLORER
SBF, 50, looking for a cultured man who enjoys restaurants, cafes, the Arts, French culture, stimulating conversations, reading, cooking and more. Let's meet and see if we connect. ♣226494

UNAFRAID OF A LITTLE...
strangeness. Quirky, compassionate SF, 27, mother with 11 month old who is my world, loves reading, friends, animals, and exploring life. Seeking someone compassionate to share a friends first relationship. ♣235616

HEY GUYS
SBF, 20, 5'9", long black hair, enjoys movies, concerts, and just having fun, looking for a nice, respectful man, to enjoy talks, casual dates, and see what happens next. ♣238810

LADY IN THE WOODS
SWF, 60, looks younger, nice smile, blonde/hazel, 5'1", average build, employed, educated, homeowner, dog lover, seeking compatible, outdoorsy, rugged, good-hearted male to share the good things in life. Livingston county. ♣210247

CLASSY LADY
SBF, middle-aged, attractive, enjoys dining, movies, plays and bowling, seeks a SM, 48-69, N/S, good sense of humor and good values/morals. ♣207254

READY FOR A FRESH START?
DWF, 47, 5'5", 120lbs, long blonde/blue, well-proportioned, very feminine, attractive, self-employed, seeking SWM, 45-57, 6'1", 225lbs+, good sense of humor, energetic, traveler, outdoorsman, adventurer, manly gentleman. ♣892549

I NEED A LOVE...
to keep me happy. Attractive, classy, delightful, charming W/F, 43, no kids, seeks SWF, 45+, no kids, N/S, fun, loving, caring. ♣380509

COULD YOU BE THE ONE?
SBF, 27, self-sufficient, fun and real seeks employed, respectful, nice man independent and not about games, to get to know and have a good time. ♣221869

HEY GUYS
SBF, 28, mother of 3, dark complexion, 5'4", 120lbs, red/brown, likes chilling at home, hanging with friends. Looking for a loving SM, to get to know. ♣234878

MEN SEEKING WOMEN

HANDSOME & FUN-LOVING
Sincere, fun-loving, down-to-earth SBF, 44, ISO romantic, honest, intelligent BF, 25-55, with great SOH, for companionship, possible LTR. ♣988147

HOPE TO FIND YOU
SM, 41, wishing to meet loving, respectful lady, 26-50, not about games, to share happiness, special times, laughter and possibly love. ♣241700

GOOD BETTER BEST!
SWM, 49, 5'9", 195lbs, is rustic about nature, enjoys the outdoors, fishing, etc. Seeks compatible SWF, to have and hold. ♣992943

A SPECIAL GUY
DWM, 56, 5'10", handsome and secure, seeks honest SDWF, w/sense of humor, who enjoys travel, candlelight, dancing, sports, concerts, boating, and movies. Friendship, possible LTR. ♣269646

NICE GUYS DO EXIST
SBM, 61", 250lbs, likes walks on the beach, casinos and movies. Searching for a HAF, 18+, 4'11", attractive, caring. ♣212428

WHAT'S GOOD
Simple, cool, genuine SBF, 25, 6', athletic, seeks outgoing lady who knows how to have fun. ♣231020

TRY ME LADIES
SBM, 25, 5'8", 165lbs, caramel complexion, black hair, N/S, N/D, independent, self-employed, seeking a SF, 18-30, active, kind, who's ready for a committed relationship. ♣243066

HOPE TO HEAR FROM YOU
SM, 29, 6', 195lbs, attractive, employed, seeks SF, 21-31, kind-hearted, sweet, fit and active, to share dinner dates, theater nights, sporting events, romance and lots more. ♣244899

LAUGH WITH ME
DWM, 48, 5'10", 170lbs, physically fit, smoker, recovering alcoholic, skilled tradesman, quit drinking not laughing. Loves cooking, movies and much more. ISO SF, 35-50, HWP, laughter and honest a must. ♣244569

COUGAR LOVER
Some things do get better with age. Blue-eyed, handsome SM, mid 40s, physically fit, laid-back, good sense of humor, seeks woman, with like qualities, who likes travel, music, exercising, etc. ♣224280

TALL, ATHLETIC
SWM, 48, 6'2", 200lbs, part-time personal trainer, brown/blue, degreed, outgoing personality, enjoys outdoors, working out, new activities, seeking friendly SF, age/location open. ♣224280

YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE!
Handsome, mature gent SWM, 50, traditional values, romantic, and thoughtful, enjoys cultural events, antiquing, short trips, etc. Seeking SWF for friendship and companionship. ♣176497

ISO MY COUNTERPART

Adventurous, energetic, handsome, laid-back SWM, 48, looks younger, 5'11", N/S, enjoys traveling, dining out, Seeking fit, energetic, pretty woman, 28-35, N/S, with same qualities, and interests, for LTR. ♣218526

BEAUTIFUL PRINCESS WANTED
SBM, early 40s, seeks attractive, younger lady, 28-45, for romance, companionship, must be independent and shapely. Serious replies only. ♣284501

HOPE ABOUT A CALL?
Loving, real separated BM, 28, business owner, father, looking for genuine, sexy, sweet, child-friendly SWF, goal-oriented and affectionate who knows how to have a good time in life. ♣240501

CALL THIS MAN!
Easygoing, expressive DWM, 43, nice looks, no kids, enjoys traveling, outdoors, romantic evenings. Seeks warm-hearted SWF. ♣112988

DON'T HESITATE...
call for a date! SWM, 55, happy, healthy, N/S, enjoys reading, cooking, home life, road trips, seeks SWF, 40-59, for companionship, maybe more. ♣992958

LET'S GET GOING!
SWM 40s, attractive, good shape, great listener, enjoys good conversation, friendship, spontaneous fun, and laughter, seeks personable SWF for dating and more. ♣128302

HI LADIES!
DWM, 48, kind, hard-worker, N/S, seeks a HWF, 37-57, N/S, for sharing of conversations, dates, fun and more. Possible LTR. ♣216527

WORTH A SHOT
Nice, affectionate, fun SWM, 36, 6', 230lbs, substitute teacher, muscular build enjoys fitness, dining, dancing, movies, and more. Seeking similar SF, to share the good times, friendship and maybe more. ♣243485

COULD IT BE YOU?
SBM, 48, 6'2", brown complexion, wavy hair, mustache/goatee, employed, mature, intelligent, hard-working, enjoys soulfood, good company, romance. ISO very attractive, intelligent, down-to-earth and independent lady, for life and love. ♣189723

EASYGOING
Sharp, sociable SWM, 45, with good character and pleasant personality, likes the outdoors, fishing, motor sports etc. W/LM SWF, for dating and fun times. ♣187514

SERIOUS WOMAN WANTED
SBM, 46, looking for that special person for LTR, someone who enjoys walks, movies, sporting events, cuddling at home. Please be shapely, independent and know what you want in life. ♣222119

TERRIFIC GUY
SWM, 45, 6', blue/brown, 200lbs, N/D, little on the shy side, enjoys quiet times, classic cars, bowling, more. Seeking SWF, N/D, trustworthy, 35-55, in good shape, w/similar interests. Possible LTR. ♣231108

WORTH A SHOT
Easygoing honest, fun-loving guy, 36, 6'2", 250lbs, former Marine, father of 2, ISO romantic, outdoorsy, sensitive, sweet, child-friendly lady who can make me laugh and smile. Is it you? ♣237285

MAN WITH CUTE DIMPLES
Friendly, affectionate, warm, respectful BM, 43, N/S, in search of a easygoing, honest, active woman, with God in her heart, hwp, for friendship, romance and more. No head games/drama. ♣185436

WANT TO JOIN ME?
SWM, 38, social drinker, smoker, electrician by trade, looking for an outgoing, honest, fun lady with like interests. I enjoy biking, hiking, snowmobiling, outdoor activities, quiet times. ♣200127

BOATER SEEKS 1ST MATE
SWM, 35, N/S, good-looking, trustworthy, enjoys boating, good music, working out. Seeking very attractive SF, 28-40, race unimportant, for friendship leading to possible LTR. ♣205048

HOPE TO FIND U SOON
SBM, 51", 170lbs, black/brown, brown complexion, enjoys playing chess, walks, concerts, plays, more. Looking for drama-free, romantic, kind lady, good-natured and fun-loving to share the good things in life. ♣218113

HI LADIES
Simple, honest SM, 35, 5'8", brown/hazel, medium build, seeks nice, kind-hearted, non-judgmental woman to share talks, fun and more. ♣217055

WORTH YOUR TIME
Attractive, clean-cut SM, 46, 5'11", 155lbs, self-employed, respectful, open-minded, enjoys cooking, music, movies, comedy shows. ISO attractive, pleasant SWF, 28-42, D/D-free, slender-medium build, classy, kind, compassionate and caring, for friendship/LTR? ♣221734

TRY THIS ONE
Loving, young-looking SM, 36, 5'9", 200lbs, well-groomed, health-conscious, likes action and horror films, seeking, a nice, cool, honest lady who knows what she wants in life, for friendships and fun. ♣221734

LOOKING FOR ME?
SWM, 36, 6', 240lbs, brown/brown, muscular, attractive, well-built, likes movies, dining out, travel, trying new things. ISO attractive, fit, honest, fun SF, to share the good times in life. Friendship/LTR. ♣221734

ANOTHER STATE OF MIND
SWM, 35, enjoys action/adventure films, day trips, weekend getaways, music(punk/indie), Seeking sociable, fun-loving, creative SF, with interested in art, indie music, exploring life and new adventures. ♣221734

ASIAN PRINCESS
WM, 37, enjoys travel, clubbing, walks, video-games, and concerts. Seeks 18-45 AF for LTR. ♣220984

YOU WON'T BE DISAPPOINTED
Attractive SWM, 58", 165lbs, muscular, looking for an intelligent, down-to-earth woman, fit and fun-minded, to get to know and share good times. ♣227318

WHAT HAVE U GOT TO LOSE?
SM, 44, creative, fun, independent film maker, looking for a good-humored, nice, easygoing lady who's down-to-earth and fun, to share all the good things in life. ♣228998

LATIN FEMALE DESIRED
Attractive WM, 38, 6'3", great SOH, enjoys concerts, sports, movies. Seeks latin or hispanic female from South America. Age open. ♣228720

LOOKING FOR A FRIEND
Outgoing, honest, spontaneous man, 43, father, looking for easygoing, fun-loving, affectionate woman, 25-49, for dating, fun times and see where it goes. ♣229056

ENJOY THE VIEW
Romantic, thoughtful SWM, 39, is looking for love, enjoys hugs, kisses and cuddling, seeks kind, attractive SWF, age and area open. ♣113855

DOWN-TO-EARTH
SBM, young looking 48, N/S, 6', 250lbs, laid-back, family-oriented, likes bowling, dinner, travel. Seeking a 30-45, nice open, N/S, who's caring, honest and laid-back with sense of humor. ♣221121

MUSCULAR AND ATHLETIC
Tall, athletic SWM, 48, 6'2", 200lbs, brown/blue, never married, no dependents, college-educated, clean-cut, good sense of humor, outgoing, seeks friendly SF, for fun. Age/location open. ♣87540

MOTORCYCLES AND FUN
DWM, 63, 6', average build, likes bowling, concerts, movies and motorcycling. Seeking a lady, 40-55, that can enjoy my things and have you add your fun things to the mix. ♣243739

CUTE, CUDDLY COWBOY
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ROMANCE & HONESTY
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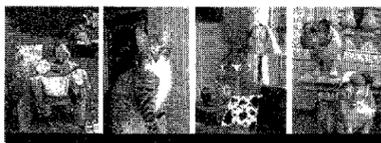
SWM, 48, average build, Italian, heart of gold, Virgo, N/S, seeks WF, 45-55, with a nice build, ready for LTR. Serious replies only. Redford Area. ♣980305

VANILLA SEEKING CHOCOLATE
Call me if you desire a nice shape, SWM, blue-eyed blonde, 50-year-old, 180lbs, desires SBF for friendship and definitely romance. ♣777324

ENJOYS GOING TO CHURCH
SBM, 28, 6', 173lbs, M/D, N/kids, slim build, brown complexion, glasses, likes movies, long walks, Jesus, cooking, music, bowling, mexican food, shyness, seeks SB/HF, 25-28, N/S, for friendship, possible romance. ♣890453

HEY LADIES
SBM, 22, 6'2", brown complexion, brown eyes, 175lbs, looking for sexy, thick, shapely ladies to kick it with and have a good time. ♣240995

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And if fuel economy is your main concern, the brand new Camry Hybrid will be hard to pass up. With a combination electric motor/gasoline engine fitted with a new, super-efficient, continuously variable transmission, the Hybrid is estimated to get 40 miles per gallon in city and 38 mpg highway by the Environmental Protection Agency.

Since its debut in the U.S. 23 years ago, the Camry has been known as a high-quality and reliable choice for middle-class car buyers. And for eight of the past nine years, the people have spoken with their pocketbooks, making the Camry the best-selling car in America. Today the Toyota Camry defines the midsize sedan with competitors constantly being compared to it.

The Toyota Camry comes in 4 trim levels: the CE, LE, SE, and XLE plus the new Hybrid model with a plethora of options across the board depending on the trim. All are five-passenger sedans with every trim coming standard with a 158-horsepower 4-cylinder engine. A 268-horsepower V6 is optional for the LE, SE, and XLE.

The entry-level \$18,470 Camry CE comes standard with air conditioning with pollen filter, cruise control, tilt-and-telescope steering wheel, six-way adjustable driver's seat, power doors, windows and mirrors, a multi-function driver information display, a 160-watt, AM/FM/CD/MP3 stereo with six speakers and 16-inch wheels.

The CE is powered by a 4-cylinder engine mated to a 5-speed manual transmission with a 5-speed automatic optional.

The LE adds an eight-way power driver's seat, remote keyless entry and, when equipped with a V6, chrome tips on the dual exhaust. Options include a premium, 140-watt JBL sound system with a six-disc, in-dash CD changer; eight speakers and Bluetooth capability; power tilt/slide moonroof; alloy wheels; and an auto-dimming rearview mirror with compass.

The LE comes standard with the 4-cylinder engine and manual trans but can be upgraded with the 5-speed automatic or to the V6 with the 6-speed automatic.

The sporty SE comes with a firmer, performance-tuned suspension and 17-inch aluminum alloy wheels. Available options on the SE includes leather interior trim with heated front seats, a power moonroof with rear seat reading lamps, programmable remote opener system, a DVD-based navigation system with touch screen integrated into a JBL sound system with a 4-disc, in-dash CD changer and all-season tires.

The SE comes with the 4-cylinder and manual, with the 5-speed automatic optional. The V6 with 6-speed automatic is also available.

The premium XLE, which starts at \$28,000, includes dual-



The Toyota Camry is available in enough different configurations to please even the pickiest car buyer. It will take a lot for rivals such as Nissan Altima and Mazda 6 to knock the Camry off of its throne.

zone climate control, engine immobilizer with alarm, Bluetooth-capable stereo with steering wheel-mounted controls, eight-way power driver's seat and 4-way power front passenger's seat, heated outside mirrors, power moonroof, rear seat reading lamps and reclining rear seats, manual rear window sunshade, cargo net, fog lamps and 16-inch alloy wheels.

Leather interior trim is standard with the V6 and optional with the 4 cylinder. Also optional are the programmable remote opener system, heated front seats, the navigation system and, exclusive to the XLE with the V6, the Smart entry system with keyless entry and push-button start.

The XLE comes standard with the 4-cylinder engine and the five-speed automatic; the V6 with 6-speed automatic is optional. The Camry Hybrid starts off at \$26,200 and comes with the most complete list of features.

Other than the optional power moonroof, the navigation system, the leather interior and the heated front seats, its loaded with just about everything the XLE has.

Safety features on all models include frontal airbags, upper body-protecting side-impact airbags for the front seats, head-protecting side air curtains for front and rear seats, and a driver's knee airbag. Standard are a tire pressure monitoring system, anti-lock brakes, Brake Assist, which applies the brakes more quickly when it senses an emergency stop, and electronic brake-force distribution, which balances brake pressure between the front and rear wheels for optimal stopping distance.

Vehicle Stability Control and Traction Control are optional on the CE, LE, SE and XLE.

While the outside of the Camry has been given a sharp, bold look, the Toyota designers tried to paint its interior with a touch of elegance. However, it comes off as a poor man's Lexus. This is not necessarily a bad thing, though, when you consider the car's affordable price.

The cabin is trimmed in a brushed metallic finish in the CE, LE, SE and Hybrid, while the XLE gets the faux-wood grain treatment -- something that supposed to exude luxury but makes me chuckle cheesy under my breath.

And the fuzzy, silk-like material of the inside door panel may give the interior some class, but it gave me a bad static electricity

shock. Probably my fault, though, I forgot to add the fabric softener when I threw my clothes in the dryer.

More important than the interior look is how driver-friendly the Camry is. The instrument gauges are large enough to get your bearings at a glance, and the audio and climate controls are so easy to use you'll get them down as soon as you sit down.

The Camry's interior is very functional as well. There are enough cubbies and compartments for CDs, cell phones and sunglasses scattered throughout the Camry's cabin to keep any pack rat happy.

There's also a covered storage bin in the fold-down center armrest in the rear seat which doubles as cup holders. A down size to this arrangement is that the bulky armrest protrudes a little, which can play havoc on the middle passenger's back on a long-road trip. The 4-cylinder engine LE version that I drove doesn't have enough horsepower for the Camry's weight. I was reminded of this every time I took off from a dead stop. If you have to slam the pedal before a car kicks into second gear you know the engine is outweighed by the body.

So, opting for the V6 is a no-brainer unless you don't need the same kind of get up and go a defensive driver like myself needs. In my opinion, Toyota should've strictly offered the Camry as a V6, but it's no surprise they didn't when you think of how much rising gas prices influence people's car buying decisions.

When you see that the 4-cylinder automatic LE is listed as getting 24 mpg city and 33 on the highway, this set up speaks for itself at the pump.

With a longer wheelbase, larger wheels and a new V6 engine that makes 78 more horsepower than the outgoing 6-cylinder 2006 model, you'll see this isn't your father's Camry. Kevin Koloian covers the auto beat for Avanti News Features.

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MAKING MORE MONEY IN MIDDLE AGE



WORKWISE
by
Mildred L. Culp

Many middle-aged people talk about wanting to make more money, but they don't take the necessary steps. Two of the most popular approaches to solving the problem are diversifying and

changing your mindset.

At 50-plus, the first can take time, because it requires you to:

- find patterns in your work history and interests;
- research new avenues to capitalize on them; and
- stop everything (almost) to get relevant training and credentials.

The second, very different approach, becomes clear in Barbara Stanny's *Overcoming Underearning: Overcome Your Money Fears and Earn What You Deserve* (Collins, \$24.95). The book seeks to use psychological tactics to overcome money problems.

MARKET SHIFT

People who are middle-aged can remember what work was like without the Internet. Markets were broader, less well-defined or niche-oriented, and

competition wasn't as keen. Our world seemed more expansive. The Internet changed all of that. Its developing venue brought major challenges.

Over the last 25 years, John Sundlof of John Sundlof Photography Ltd., in Chicago, has been shooting photographs for Fortune 500 companies and top-ranked magazines. Specializing in photographing people, he places his work in annual reports, marketing brochures and wide-ranging print publications. As the Web grew in complexity and importance, he observed the diminishing requirements/importance of photography in that medium.

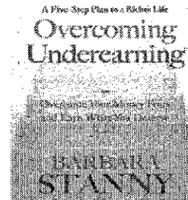
If that weren't enough, he also noted the consolidation of print media, which brought a changed business model in photo usage, where a photographer is paid for one use of his work, while the entity reproduces it as many times as it wishes. This new business model cuts into the profit for a freelancer, such as Sundlof. In addition, bylines are less prominent, if non-existent. In the past, if you didn't get a byline, he explains, you'd get double or triple your rate. But professional values are no longer in sync with the industry. Ad agencies understand this and expect to pay for it. Picture agencies understand it and charge (their customers) but don't pay their freelancers.

Sundlof knows that his industry has changed irretrievably, but you don't see him leaving it. Instead, he's capitalizing on one of his lifelong interests -- real estate -- by taking courses in real estate appraisal. I looked a long time at a bunch of different options, he says. He'll continue his photography business as an income stream as he pursues real estate investment.

INNER-DIRECTEDNESS

In contrast to diversifying, Stanny, of *Overcoming Underearning*, uses insight into psychology to help herself and others achieve financial independence. She differentiates between an underearner and a person with soul-satisfying work whose income is adequate: Underearning is a condition of DEPRIVATION in which your emotional and/or physical needs are not being met. Her book explores the financial symptoms of depression, where, she writes, underearning, like overspending, can be an unconscious attempt to numb the hurt. The source of that hurt, she maintains, may be abuse or childhood trauma. Shift(ing) my thinking led to new behaviors that led to new income in her new mission to help others achieve financial independence. Psychology is to money what an engine is to a car, she writes. Whenever you're stalled, that's the first place to look.

Oh? Although the book is filled with inspiring anecdotes of people who embraced her method and



Credit: Frank Ross

Barbara Stanny, author of *Overcoming Underearning*, learned through personal experience that income rises if you change certain habits of thought and behavior. She teaches workshops to help people get unstuck. made their incomes grow substantially, there is no statistic about the total numbers of people who took her workshops or the numbers who became successful through her approach. Moreover, it's difficult to imagine how a person who absolutely loved his work could use her method and leave it behind. But if you're not committed to your current work, or if you're depressed, *Overcoming Underearning* might offer you a way out.

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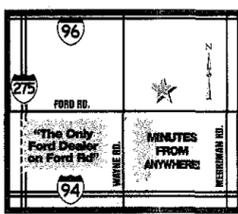
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