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Ex-boyfriend charged in murder of Westland woman



Howard bows his head in his hand during his arraignment on first-degree murder charges.

BY DARRELL CLEM
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Moments before her ex-boyfriend was arraigned Friday on murder charges, 21-year-old Laci Green of Westland was described by family friends as a church-going, ambitious young woman who had ended a bad relationship and immersed herself in her nursing studies at Schoolcraft College.

"She went to church all the time," said Sheila Noon, who worked with Green's mother, Barbara, at the MotorCity Casino buffet.

Green, who worked at the casino hotel while attending school, had broken off a six-year relationship weeks ago with a 25-year-old Dearborn Heights defendant identified by police as Robert James-The-First Howard, accused of strangling Green to death early Wednesday morning near her home on Westland's southwest side.

"She broke up with him over a month ago, and it was the best thing she could ever have done," said Noon, adding that Howard had been to Noon's house. "I am so furious."

Green's parents stayed away from court Friday as Howard was arraigned by 18th District Judge Sandra Ference Cicirelli on a charge of first-degree premeditated murder.



Robert James-The-First Howard appears in court on charges he strangled his ex-girlfriend, 21-year-old Laci Green of Westland.

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"They wanted to make this Laci's day, not his day," Noon said outside the courtroom.

Cicirelli ordered Howard jailed without bond and ordered him back in court May 22 for a preliminary hearing to determine whether he should stand trial in Wayne County Circuit Court. She also entered a not-guilty plea for him and granted his request for a court-appointed attorney.

If convicted as charged, Howard will face life in prison without the possibility of parole.

Green's body was found about 6:30 a.m. Wednesday in the Hawley-Glenwood area, in a field near a back yard of Millpointe subdivision. She had lived with her parents, north of where she was found dead.

Green had left for a walk with Howard around 3:30 a.m., police Sgt. Steve Borisch said outside the courtroom, and her parents later became worried and started searching for her when she didn't come home. They called police, who found the body about 200 yards north of Glenwood, Borisch said.

In court, Howard described himself as unemployed and living with his mother. He also told Cicirelli he formerly lived with Green.

Earlier, Noon said part of the problem between Howard and Green was that he didn't work and she had helped support him. Noon's boyfriend, Tom Meadows, said outside the courtroom that Howard once worked for him installing carpet for only a couple days.

"He had a temper," Meadows said. "I saw him blow up one time for no reason."

Green, a Wayne Memorial High School graduate, had received text messages and phone calls from Howard before he came to her house early Wednesday, police said. Green's parents had seen Howard outside their home before their daughter's body was found, Borisch said.

Howard had been planning to move to North Carolina, Borisch said.

The defendant was denied bond after Cicirelli said she feared he would flee or potentially be a danger to the public.

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LeBlanc to seek 2nd House term

BY DARRELL CLEM
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State Rep. Richard LeBlanc, D-Westland, still drives home every day from Lansing. He still answers all his e-mails personally.

LeBlanc made a pledge to stay close to his constituents when he launched his first state House campaign two years ago, and he said he has kept his promise while working in Lansing to represent his 18th District seat.

"I believe that my staff and my office and myself have done a good job of representing Westland," LeBlanc said. "We've been very active in the community, and I think folks have been pleased."

"I've maintained an open-door policy, and I've driven home every day," he said. "I'm pleased to say I'm home in our community. I still get calls at home."

As of Friday morning, LeBlanc wasn't facing any opposition as he seeks a second, two-year term this political season. However, he will be watching as Tuesday's candidate filing deadline passes in Lansing.



LeBlanc

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YouTube fight video not the only thing students put on Web

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Wayne-Westland's executive director of student and legal affairs has a bit of advice for parents: Don't buy your child a camera phone.

The high-tech gizmos are popular with students, but have gotten a few in trouble, including three Stevenson Middle School students who were suspended after video of a fight on school grounds was posted on the popular YouTube Web site.

"A parent saw it and called us," said William Camp. "The administrators went on there and saw it. It had a thousand hits. It had been there awhile."

By watching the video, school officials were able to identify the three students, and since the fight happened on school property, the two students who were fighting were suspended for a week. The student who used a cell phone to record the fight also received a suspension.

"It's a violation of the accepted use policy," said Camp.

According to the district's Code of Conduct, students are prohibited from using or possessing active (turned on) electronic devices on

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Civic group: Smoking ban hurts business

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The president of a local civic group is blasting state lawmakers who are on the verge of approving legislation that could have a serious impact on its bingo operations.

Vic Barra, president of the Wayne Ford Civic League, said the legislation which bans smoking in all workplaces, including bars and restaurants, would force bingo players to go to Indian casinos that would not be covered by the proposed ban.

"This bill can't pass in its present form, the state is reaching too far with this," said Barra. Barra believes passage of the

legislation will have the same impact in Michigan that it had in Canada, where similar legislation has "put many bingo halls out of business due to the loss of customers."

"Should the Civic League that I represent lose 65 percent of its customers due to this action, we will have no choice then to sell off the baseball fields to developers to meet our obligations to the business community and redefine our business objectives to survive," he said.

The legislation, HB 4163, was sponsored by Rep. Brenda Clack, D-Flint. It was approved by the State House last December and sent to the Senate for a vote. The Senate

version of the bill was approved by a 25-12 vote on Thursday. The bill now goes back to the House for concurrence before being sent to Gov. Jennifer Granholm for approval.

One senator opposing the measure was Glenn Anderson, D-Westland, who described the ban as "one of the most important issues we will debate this year, in terms of protecting public health and reducing preventable smoking-related illnesses here in Michigan."

"Workers in service industries shouldn't be forced to choose between their health and their job," Anderson said in a prepared statement. He said that 33 states have already passed similar leg-

islation "to protect their workers from deadly exposure to second-hand smoke," including Ohio, Illinois, Iowa and Minnesota.

Anderson's press release cited a study conducted at the University of California, Berkeley, that found that food service workers are approximately 50 percent more likely to develop lung cancer than the general public, because many are exposed to second-hand smoke at work.

Barra, however, said he finds it "absurd" that "our legislators in their earnest desire to join the bandwagon to eradicate smoking would legislate lawful businesses literally 'out of business.'"

"Nobody forces anyone to

enter our facility to play or work, all are aware that smoking by the customers and/or staff is a normal part of the operations," he said. "Now we will all be safe in the knowledge that nobody will be subjected to second-hand smoke in a Michigan bingo hall because there won't be any."

Barra said the lawmakers need to pass amendments to protect Michigan businesses and fraternal and civic organizations.

"Killing community service organizations, small businesses and non-Indian casino operations for a I care about you' sound bite is just wrong," he added. "In today's economy, most organizations and businesses will not have time to

adjust their business models and adapt to the impact of this legislation."

He added that not only will the organization be affected but many of its bingo workers who count on the money they make to live.

Barra is urging his members to press state lawmakers to either reject the legislation outright or amend it to protect organizations like the Civic League.

"If this passes, the children will have fewer places to play and the seniors that organizations like the Civic League support will have fewer places to gather," he said.

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Texas Roadhouse will celebrate its first anniversary with a week filled with prizes and great food. The special week will be Monday-Sunday, May 1-7, and feature themed days. Monday will be Cartoon Day (Kids Night with our mascot Andy the Armadillo), Tuesday '80s Day, Wednesday Wild West Wednesday, Thursday Tigers Day, Friday Crazy Hat Day/Tie Dye Shirt Day, Saturday Sports Day and Sunday Hawaiian Day. There

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District art show

You see the artistic work of students in the Wayne-Westland Community Schools annual Elementary and Middle School Art Show going on now through Thursday, May 15, at the Wayne Public Library, 3737 S. Wayne Road, Wayne. The show is open to the public during library hours: 1-5 p.m. today and 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday. For more information, call (734) 721-7832.



Emerson Middle School eighth-grader Nick Ciotta, as Aladdin, rehearses a scene with his castmates during a dress rehearsal for the school's production of Aladdin.

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LEBLANC

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On Thursday, a Michigan Republican Party spokeswoman in Lansing hinted that an opposing candidate will beat the filing deadline, but she didn't want her name used and she didn't indicate who the GOP hopeful might be.

LeBlanc, 49, served on the Wayne-Westland school board and the Westland City Council before he was elected in 2006 as a state representative, a job that currently pays \$79,650 a year. He said his position has given him a larger pool of contacts and resources to help constituents who have ques-

tions about everything from unemployment to foreclosures to abuse by relatives.

"I've tried to be a good legislator, not a partisan legislator," he said.

LeBlanc chairs the House Military & Veterans Affairs Committee and a Michigan State Police subcommittee, and he is a member of three other committees for appropriations, transportation and economic development.

When asked about bills he has supported, LeBlanc said he has introduced legislation to allow a developer to build houses and receive tax relief until the homes are sold or for two years, if they remain on the market. He views the bill as one way of helping during a

tough economy.

He also introduced a bill requiring people to report finding dead bodies, although he admits the law seems morbid. It stems from an incident in Canton in which a woman was accused of not notifying authorities that her roommate had died and continuing to call the roommate's family to send money. The bill has passed in the House and moved to the Senate.

LeBlanc also has introduced legislation against "phantom millage elections" after Wayne County Community College tried to get a tax renewal passed years before it was to expire. Under the bill, a millage ballot question can only be called a renewal if it is sought within 18 months of expiration.

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CORRECTION

Tonya Cramier-Oncaz has provided paperwork showing she pleaded guilty to one count of attempted uttering and publishing rather than uttering and publishing. Other counts of uttering and publishing were dismissed along with a cocaine charge, as part of a plea agreement. As earlier reported, she has been placed on four years' probation, and she has made restitution through her attorney.

Emerson brings magic, effects to Aladdin Jr.

BY REBECCA JONES
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Costumes made in faraway lands, choreography that includes belly dancing, and a cast of 60 Emerson Middle School eighth-graders make the school's production of *Aladdin Jr.* sure to sell-out, according to the show's director and cast.

Caitlyn Macuga plays the genie in blue, singing "You ain't never had a friend like me." It's a role that Robin Williams made famous in the Disney animated version, but she brings her own personality.

"I'm a pretty crazy person myself," Macuga said. "I'm not really acting when I'm (on stage). I'm just being myself, so it's fun." An alto, she can even play with her voice to an extent.

Nick Ciotta plays Aladdin, the poor boy who finds the genie's lamp wishes to become a prince so he can win Princess Jasmine's heart. It's Ciotta's first show and something he's proud of. He said his dad won the lead in every play he was in. Only one thing is missing: Abu, his thieving sidekick.

"I wanted a monkey so bad," Ciotta said.

But the show does have one puppet, the parrot Iago, voiced by Mitchell Barcus.

Students will do five



Emerson Middle School eighth-grade students David Kramer as The Sultan, left, and Gagneet Khangura as Princess Jasmine rehearse a scene from the school's production of Aladdin.

shows, one for Cooper Upper Elementary, two for seventh- and eighth-grade classmates, and two open to the public, at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 15, and Friday, May 16. Tickets are \$5, available from teacher and director Ann Fisher.

Requiring 90 handmade and embellished costumes, special effects, choreography, a backdrop and sets, Fisher said the musical is only possible because of the help of "unbelievable parents with the skills to put on this show."

Heidi Sapikowski of Westland, Macuga's aunt, gave

the dancers belly dancing lessons, teaching them how to move with veils and cymbals.

Jasmine (Gagneet Khangura) wears two costumes, both made in India, by Khangura's aunt. Her favorite scene is "Friend like me," because the tune is so familiar and fun. She also likes the magic carpet ride Jasmine and Aladdin take. The carpet glows in blacklight.

"We treat our work at Emerson very seriously," she said. "We have a lot of talent. It's fun for us to perform."

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Grandfather: Foster care system to blame for death

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

If all were right with his world, Ken Newman's youngest grandchild would have turned 4 years old on Wednesday.

But instead, all he has left of Allison, a child who shares his last name, are memories and frustration over her September 2006 death and the Canton woman found guilty of killing her, Carol Poole.

"I have my good days and I have my bad days but I think about that baby every day," said Newman of Westland. "If she was here, she would be more spoiled than her sister and her sister is pretty spoiled."

As a trucker putting in 50- to 60-hour work weeks, Newman said he's too busy to be anything other than a cool grandfather and leaves the heavy stuff to his wife, Debbie.

"They call me papa," he said, grinning. "I'm the 'Yes' guy. My job is to spoil."

Newman, who speaks with



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Allison Newman's grandfather, Ken Newman, discusses his granddaughter's death in his Westland home. His son and the girl's father, Kenneth Newman, stands in the background.

pride about his family, said he had a feeling Poole wasn't a good foster mother for Allison and says he struggles with not moving fast enough to get the child out of her care.

"I told my wife two nights before Allison was killed that

if anything happened to that baby we were going to have to live with it, and we are," he said. "I can't get how (she died) out of my head and I would love to be able to change things."

Despite the drug problems

of her biological parents, Kenneth Newman and Anne Hirsch, Allison's birth was exciting, Ken Newman said.

"Our pastor was at the hospital and he prayed; everything was going to be good," he said, noting that Allison initially went to live with his daughter, Rebecca Worden, and her husband.

Ken and Debbie already had custody of the oldest daughter of their son and Hirsch.

When Allison was about six months old, she was taken away from the Wordens because they had allowed the infant to visit her parents at their trailer home.

"Protective Services never told her she couldn't take Allison over there," Newman says while slapping his kitchen table for emphasis.

"(Hirsch) had kicked dope and (Kenneth) was in rehab, but (Protective Services) made a rush to judgment. People like to say that the system failed Allison. The system didn't

fail Allison, the system killed Allison."

Citing confidentiality, Maureen Sorbet, a spokeswoman for the Department of Human Services, declined to comment on Allison's removal from her family.

"We can't discuss the specifics of any case," she said.

Eventually, Allison, a bouncy, bright-eyed girl, landed with Carol Poole, one half of the Canton couple that had been granted custody of the toddler. Nine months later, she was buried at Cadillac Memorial Gardens in Westland.

During her trial, the state described Poole, 42, as a manipulator and said she had been abusing Allison since July 2006.

Poole, a management recruiter, admitted she used bad judgment after Allison suffered her fatal head injuries, but maintained that the child died accidentally when she fell 12 feet over a balcony

during a twirling game.

"I loved my daughter," Poole said at her sentencing in February. "I will never forgive myself for failing Allison."

With Poole sentenced to a minimum of 20 years in prison on a second-degree murder conviction, Newman said even though he's relieved Poole isn't walking the streets, her prison term hasn't provided him with closure.

"I try real hard to pray about this," he said. "I know I'm supposed to forgive her, but I can't."

The Newmans planned to commemorate Allison's birthday by going to the cemetery.

"We think she was going to look just like her sister," he says while placing two ceramic coffee mugs decorated with the faces of his two granddaughters side by side. "I always think about these two getting older together and I know they would have been close."

WEB

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school premises from the beginning to the end of the school day, including during passing times, lunch times and after school detention.

Violation is punishable by administrative intervention up to expulsion.

The fight video isn't the first thing to crop up on the Internet. According to Camp, students shoot video and post it. YouTube, he said, is "a monster."

"If you go to YouTube and

type in fights, you'd be horrified at the number of videos that come up and the number that students have put on the site," he said. "There's a lot on there about the marching bands from band camp."

"If you had two years to look, you'd be surprised at what you'd find."

Camp urges parents to be aware of what their kids are doing. He recalled when the district recovered a cell phone and in looking at its contents to find the owner found photos of a MySpace page with provocative content.

According to Camp, the

parents weren't aware that the student had two MySpace pages, the one they saw and the second one that had been uploaded to the camera phone.

Camp said Attorney General Mike Cox is putting together a mini-seminar that will cover Internet safety and

how parents can check where their children have been on the Web.

"Kids are so good that I bet anywhere any day a kid is texting a message from a classroom," he said.

As for cell phones, "camera phones have gotten more kids in trouble," Camp said.

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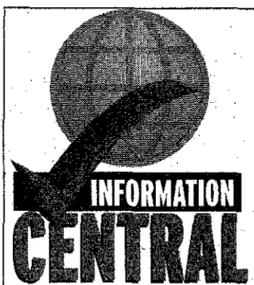
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In honor of this week, which runs from May 17-23, why not stop by your local library and check out some of the great things that Michigan has to offer? You can start by learning about the history of the Great Lakes State. Try "Historical Album of Michigan," "Michigan, The Great Lakes State: An Illustrated History" or the video, "A Walk Through Time at the Michigan Historical Museum."

If you'd rather explore Michigan than read about it, borrow some of our travel books. "Between Backroads of Michigan: Your Guide to Michigan's Most Scenic Backroad Adventures," "Traveling Through Time: A Guide to Michigan's Historical Markers," "Kids Love Michigan: A Parent's Guide to Exploring Fun Places in Michigan with Children - Year Round!" and "Gentle Hikes of Upper Michigan: Upper Michigan's Most Scenic Lake Superior Hikes Under 3 Miles," there is something for every interest.

If you prefer fiction, there is no shortage of that either. The Michigan Chillers series is a favorite among kids. Teens may enjoy Michigan author Patrick Jones's books. They



also have the chance right now to turn in their vote for the Thumbs Up! Award, an annual award given by the Michigan Library Association to honor excellence in young adult literature. For adults, there is JoAnna Carl's Chocoholic mystery series, Susan Holtzer's U of M mysteries, as well as many stand alone books by various authors.

If you are wondering why so many of the Michigan fiction books are mysteries, you may also want to stop and grab "Weird Michigan: Your Travel Guide to Michigan's Local Legends" and "Best Kept Secrets" or "Haunted Lake Michigan."

As the state motto says, "If you seek a pleasant peninsula, look about you." And if seek information about the peninsula, look at your library.

Highlighted Activities
Knitting Nights @ the library:
 7 p.m. Wednesdays May 14 through

July 16.

Whether you want to learn to knit or are an experienced knitter, join Linda Sparkman of Black Sheep Northville as she provides group and individual instruction. Initial supplies will be provided for first project. Seating is limited. Call (734) 326-6123 or stop by the library to reserve your seat.

20s/30s Book Discussion: 7 p.m. May 14.

Join us as we discuss "Geek Love" by Katherine Dunn Nick. Please read the book before the meeting. Copies of the book are available at the reference desk. All 20-30's are welcome. Discussion will be held at Biggby Coffee, 37644 Ford, west of Newburgh.

Capital Market Outlook (1st Quarter Market Review): 7 p.m. May 20.

Join Andrew Gagne, associate financial advisor of Ameriprise Financial, who will help you put current market conditions in perspective to help you become a better informed investor. Topics include economic outlook, market outlook and diversifying your investment portfolio. Sign up to reserve your seat.

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



Receiving the God Award at the Girl Scouts of Metro Detroit Honor Reception May 4 were Megan Orr (seated, from left), Jillian Bante, Jennifer Raye, Stephanie Gatton, Anne Schwabel, Lauren Winkles (standing, from left), Kaitlin Zies, Jasmine Dandridge, Elyse Garrett, Ashley Bond, Amanda Klein, Cara Anne Nachtman, Amanda Ullrich, Emily Larson, Lauren Kaplan, Rachael Leduc. Not pictured are recipients Joanna Damman, Elizabeth King, Amanda McKenzie, Nikita Mehta, Lauren Penkala and Jennifer Pohl.

Westland Scout earns Gold Award

A Westland teen was among more than 90 girls honored for leadership and community service at the Girl Scouts of Metro Detroit Honor Reception, held Sunday, May 4.

Lauren Winkles of Westland joined 21 Girl Scout Seniors from Wayne and Oakland counties in receiving the Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest achievement for girls in Girl Scouting. Additionally, Silver Awards were presented to 63 Girl Scout Cadettes who have qualified for the highest award for their level - age 11-14.

To earn the Gold Award, the scouts had to meet specific requirements, including achieving several prerequisite distinctions and devoting a minimum of 65 hours to planning and implementing her approved project. She had to identify a community need and develop a plan for a project or event that produced a positive and enduring impact.

Working in teams or as indi-

viduals, the girls reached out to from partnerships and bring resources to the community with efforts including organizing a "tuck-in" service for hospitalized children, developing and facilitating focus groups for children at a camp for disabled children and adults, creating a video on hospital safety for families, organizing social activities and musical performances for elderly citizens and conducting a homelessness awareness project and donation drive.

The Gold Award distinction is also recognized beyond the world of Girl Scouting. Numerous organizations and educational institutions offer scholarships and grants to Gold Award recipients and award-ees entering the U.S. military immediately receive a pay rate equivalent to having 30 college credits.

Silver Awards recipients were honored for individual and group projects that benefited

community parks, schools, hospitals, and animal shelters, plus military members and senior citizens.

Girl Scout Kaitlin Zies was presented with the Medal of Honor, an award given to Girl Scouts who have shown exceptional bravery by saving a life or attempting to save a life through a rescue.

The program also included the presentation the Jennifer Barnum Spirit Award and the Tammie Murray Award. These awards honor the memory of two exceptional Girl Scouts who died in a vehicular accident in 1991. To be considered for one of these awards, a Girl Scout had to be nominated by an individual or group from the community in recognition of her leadership, actions and involvement. The Jennifer Barnum Spirit Award was presented to Ashley Webb of Troy. The Tammie Murray Award was presented to Meghan Orr of West Bloomfield.

TO ALL CREDITORS:

The Settlor, Kerop Simonian, born September 5, 1928, who lived at 31705 Elmwood, Garden City, Michigan, died March 1, 2008. There is no personal representative of the Settlor's estate to whom Letters of Administration have been issued.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against The Kerop Simonian and Margaret E. Simonian Revocable Living Trust dated September 10, 1997, as amended, will be forever barred unless presented to Christopher Simonian and Nanette Martinez, Trustees, within four (4) months after the date of publication.

Notice is further given that the Trust will thereafter be assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

Date: May 6, 2008
 Attorney: Paul T. Joseph, P-38709, 4121 Okemos Road, Suite 10, Okemos, MI 48864. Telephone No.: (517) 381-2668

Personal Representative: Christopher Simonian, 7491 Aardvark Walks Street, Las Vegas, NV 89113. Telephone No.: (702) 407-8939, Nanette Martinez, 13420 N 31st Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85023. Telephone No.: (602) 214-5762.

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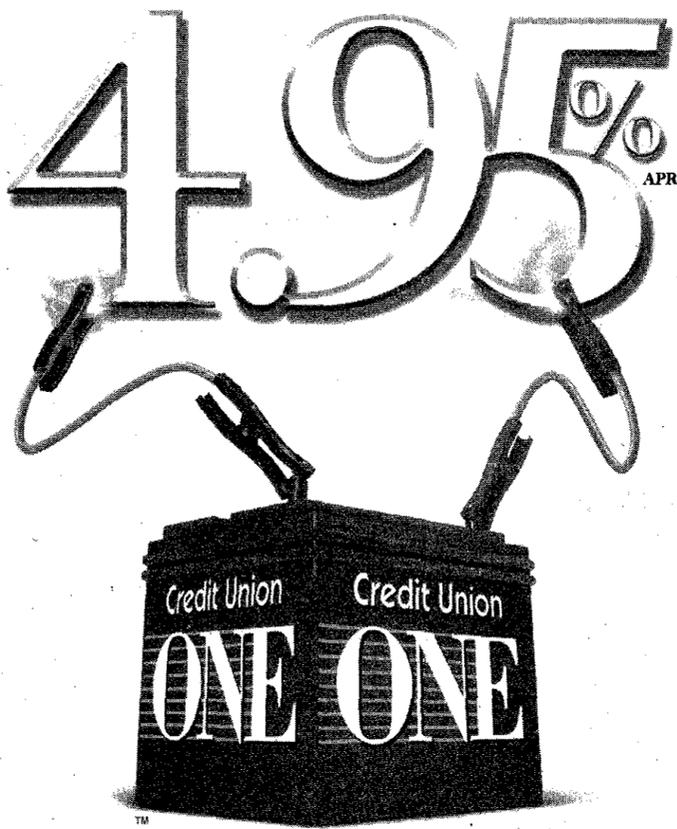
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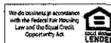
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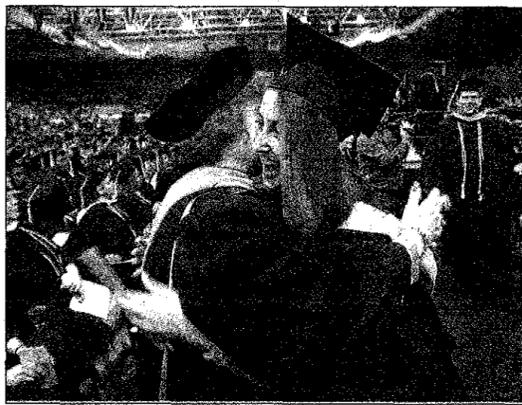


Madonna University holds its 61st commencement

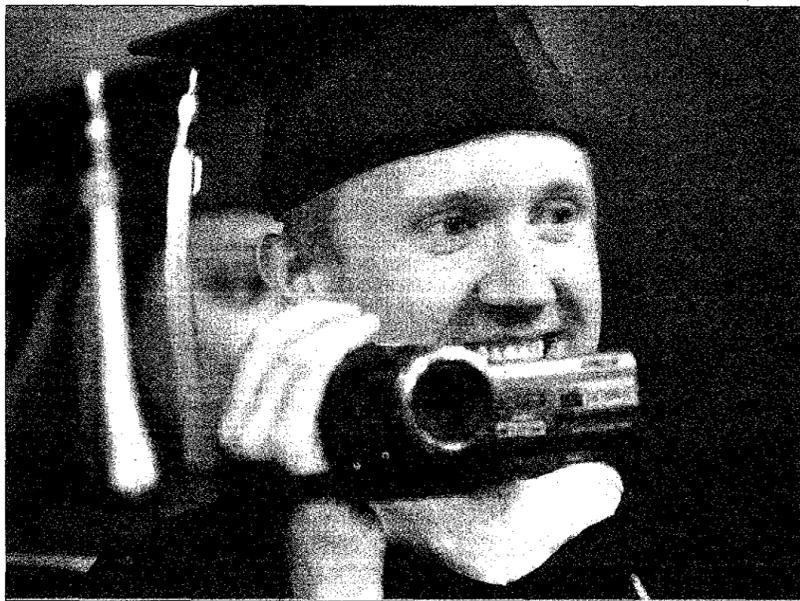
Madonna University held its 61st commencement Sunday at Compuware Arena, in Plymouth Township. Approximately 800 graduates joined the Madonna University alumni ranks, with some 650 students receiving a bachelor's degree, associate's degree or certificate, and the remainder earning a master's degree.

Honorary doctorate degrees were bestowed upon the late Mother Mary Cajetan Jankiewicz, CSSF, and Michigan Opera Theatre Founding General Director David DiChiera, Ph.D. The Distinguished Alumna award was given to Nancy (Rivers) Enright, '61.

Presiding over the commencement ceremonies were Madonna University Vice President for Academic Administration Ernest I. Nolan.



Graduate Abbey Hebel gets a big hug from her aunt, Dr. Betty Jean Hebel, who teaches in the graduate business program.



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David Brown of Livonia earned a degree in television and video, so naturally recorded his own graduation.



Lisa Mato holds a small fan designed for graduates, with the message "I DID IT." At far left, Shannon Paul receives her degree from Madonna University President Sister Rose Marie Kujawa and Board of Trustees Chair David Walawender.

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Garden City Hospital offers wellness classes

Garden City Hospital, 6245 Inkster Road, offers a weekly schedule of health and wellness programs for residents. The lineup this week includes:

Monday, May 12
Exercise Express 12:30 p.m. Thirty minutes of exercise including cardio, strength training and stretching. Exercise at your own comfort level. Get in, get out and get on with your day. Fee is \$30 per month or a \$5 drop-in fee. Call (734) 458-3242 for more information.

Childbirth Education (fourth of six classes) at 6 p.m. This six-week course prepares the expectant mother and coach for labor and delivery. Class runtime is 2½ hours and there is a \$60 fee. Medicaid is accepted. A refresher course also is available. Call (734) 458-4330 for more information or to register.

Tuesday, May 13
Get Up and Move at 9 a.m., 3 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 (second 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. 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 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.

Yoga (second of four classes) at 4 p.m. Learn how to relax, stretch and breathe while creating balance, strength and flexibility for both the body and mind. This four-week session is \$32. Classes meet at Garden City Hospital's Cardiac Rehab. Call (734) 458-3242 for details and to register.

Wednesday, May 14
Exercise Express 12:30 p.m. Thirty minutes of exercise including cardio, strength training and stretching.

Exercise at your own comfort level. Get in, get out and get on with your day. Fee is \$30 per month or a \$5 drop-in fee. Call (734) 458-3242 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? Visit the Sleep Disorders Center of Michigan, 35600 Central City Parkway, Suite 103, Westland, 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.

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.

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.

Hearing Loss Association of America Support Group 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.

Thursday, May 15
Get Up and Move at 9 a.m., 3 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.

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Friday, May 16
Exercise Express 12:30 p.m. Thirty minutes of exercise including cardio, strength training and stretching. Exercise at your own comfort level. Get in, get out and get on with your day. Fee is \$30 per month or a \$5 drop-in fee. Call (734) 458-3242 for more information.

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.

Volunteer at Garden City Hospital
 Volunteer opportunities are available at Garden City Hospital fthose age 14 and older. Individuals interested in providing clerical support, staffing information desks, transporting patients and assisting on nursing units are needed. Volunteers receive a free lunch on their volunteer day, a uniform and the chance to be involved "behind the scenes" at an award-winning hospital.

To apply to become a volunteer, complete an application form, available at the hospital's main lobby information desk or call (734) 458-4280. The hospital is at 6245 Inkster Road in Garden City.

Volunteers also may donate time to the hospital by becoming a member of the Garden City Hospital Guild. The group raises funds to support patient care. Members staff the hospital coffee shop, gift shop and information desks, and deliver mail to patients. For more information, call (734) 458-4421.

Homebuyers can get on the bus to find foreclosures

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS
 OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Added Value Realty will extend its foreclosure bus tours to home buyers starting May 17.

The Livonia-based company began doing tours for investors a year ago and is now branching off into those wanting to make a foreclosed property their new home.

"Unfortunately, some people are getting bad information so we are trying to help them do it right," said Realtor Mandy Melone. "When I was talking to one (potential homebuyer) about preapproval, she said 'What's that?' and I said she definitely had to come. We are going to talk about everything."

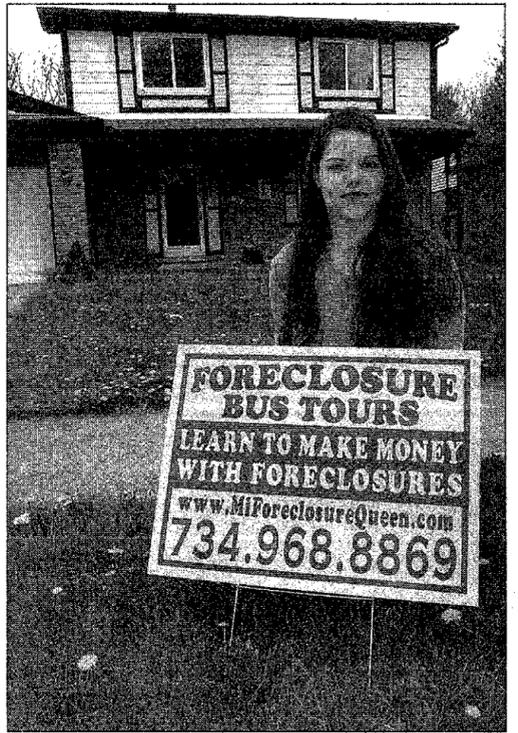
The tour is expected to include about 10 foreclosed properties in Canton and Plymouth.

Standing outside a two-story, bank-owned property on the corner of Morrison and Keystone in Canton, Melone said the home is priced at about \$140,000.

"That's too much money for an investor, but it's perfect for a homeowner and there are so many homes out there just like this," she said.

In a departure from the two-day bus tours offered to investors last year, the home owner version will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. In addition to having a home inspector along for the tour, participants will learn about financing programs.

"There are so many pro-



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Mandy Melone is planning to take buyers on a bus tour of foreclosed homes, including this home in Canton.

grams out there that can help people," Melone said. "I just hate to see people pay more than they have to."

Melone said in order to attend the tour, which is free and includes lunch, participants must be preapproved for financing.

"We will never see a mar-

ket like this again, I hope, so we are trying to help people get a good deal," she said.

For more information or to register, call Melone at (734) 968-8869 or visit www.addvalorealty.com.

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Bankruptcy option one to consider; don't be embarrassed

Q: I lost my job, my house is going to be foreclosed and I'm having difficulties paying my charge cards. I've talked to a bankruptcy attorney who recommended that I file a Chapter 7 bankruptcy. According to the attorney, I qualify to get rid of most of my debt. On the other hand, I've talked to a credit counselor who can work out a payment plan for my charge cards. I think bankruptcy is the way to go, however, I am worried about the consequences. Any thoughts?

A: One of the great things about this country is that we give people a second chance. That is the reason that bankruptcy laws exist, to offer a



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Rick Bloom

fresh start. I do not believe anyone should be embarrassed just because they run into financial difficulty and have to file bankruptcy. After all, we have seen many corporations file for bankruptcy and they certainly didn't worry about any stigma or negative implications by filing bankruptcy. Michigan is going through difficult times. Many people are finding they cannot afford to pay some of their bills. In those situations, you

discuss debt situation with creditors to work out a payment program. For example, people who have charge card debt can work with their charge card company to reduce or even eliminate the interest on the account.

If, one can reasonably work out of a financial situation by following the above, then that is the course of action to initially pursue.

On the other hand, if there is no realistic solution to the debt then one should consider bankruptcy. Yes, bankruptcy does have a downside. It hurts your credit rating, makes it more difficult to obtain credit, and for some individuals it causes embarrassment.

However, if by wiping out debt, you can start fresh, as far as I am concerned, it outweighs any of the negatives.

Anyone who is considering bankruptcy should make sure that he/she deals with a bankruptcy attorney. Bankruptcy is a very specialized area of the law and most general practitioners are not have the expertise needed. A qualified bankruptcy attorney is the essential.

Q: I read your column a few weeks ago about selling your life insurance policy. I have an old life insurance policy that I don't need. I have seen lots of ads about selling policies and I am somewhat leery. Can you

recommend someone I can discuss this with?

A: I have no problem with selling an old life insurance policy. Since you do not need the policy the question is how will more money end up in my pocket? One, by selling the policy or two, by canceling the policy and receiving the cash surrender value. If the answer is selling the policy, then that is the way to proceed.

It is a minefield out there when it comes to selling life insurance policies. As in every business and in every profession, there are good and bad people to deal with and in the case of selling life insurance policies, it's no different. The individual I have dealt

with and have confidence in with regards to the sale of life insurance policies is Mark Orzechkin (248-356-8820).

I also recommend you get a referral from family or friends who've had experience in this area. I believe that knowledgeable referrals from people who you trust and have confidence in is invaluable.

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

RESA rescinds special education staffing proposals

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Two proposals in a seven-point plan to change special education staffing in Wayne County were rescinded Thursday prior to a public meeting and in response to overwhelming negative public comment.

Mark Francis, director of special education and early intervention for the Wayne County Regional Education Services Agency, said RESA will not go forward with staffing changes as proposed for the severely multiple impaired and severely cognitively impaired programs that have generated so much response.

The proposal would have changed the teacher/student ratio for severely multiple impaired from 1 to 9 to 1 to 30 and the aide ratio from 2 to 9 to 1 to 10 and changing the teacher ratio for severely cognitively impaired

from 1 to 12 to 1 to 30 and the aide ratio from 2 to 12 to 1 to 10.

"I have already received over 100 letters, phone calls and e-mails and I have personally looked at each and every one. I am truly heartened by the show of support for special education that has been demonstrated the past couple of weeks and hope that it can continue to build and be heard by our legislature," said Francis.

Francis did not cancel the meeting because he said he wanted to encourage parents to stay active.

"We appreciated the responses and want to keep this moving forward," he said Thursday afternoon. "We are asking them to speak with their state and federal legislators. They are the ones who will have to deal with this."

Wayne RESA and Wayne County school districts face serious challenges in funding these very important programs. Costs to operate the center based spe-

cial education programs increase every year by at least 5 percent, yet reimbursement from the government is only 1-1/2 percent. Francis said the plan could have saved \$4 million.

Wayne County has about 1,000 students in the severely multiple impaired and severely cognitively impaired programs.

Funding comes from the 3.368 mills, Act 18 millage that voters approved in 2002, the maximum allowed in Wayne County. Costs not covered by the Wayne RESA Act 18 Special Education Fund must be covered by local district funds. The 2001-2002 school year was the last time a charge back occurred amounting to \$28 million county-wide.

"Obviously we put this out for public comment to get feedback from the community. There were some in favor of the changes but they were overwhelmingly

opposed," Francis said. "But we want to keep the momentum moving forward. Let legislators know we need to do something."

He said the programs have excellent teachers who need support.

Jo Ann Johnson of Plymouth was one of those who was strongly opposed to the changes. She has a 12-year-old son who attends Old Village School in Northville.

She said Thursday afternoon that she would attend the Thursday evening meeting to oppose other proposals to cut staffing in the speech and language programs. She said she also wants make sure that any future proposals coming from RESA comply with state guidelines.

She and other parents have said they are concerned about the process for change that allows RESA to seek a waiver of state guidelines from the state superintendent of public instruction.

'Bowling for Rhinos' is May 31

The Detroit chapter of the American Association of Zookeepers will host its 19th annual "Bowling for Rhinos" bowlathon Saturday, May 31, at Cloverlanes Bowl in Livonia. A family-friendly event will be at 3 p.m., offering bowling, a tin can raffle, cookie walk and coloring contest. The traditional bowlathon gets under way at 7 p.m. with bowling, a silent auction and 50/50 raffle. Bowlers may register individually or form a team of four to five. Fee is \$5 (shoe rental, two games, pizza and soft drinks). Information is available by calling

(248) 541-5717, Ext. 3000, or e-mailing aazk@detroitzoo.org.

Forms and fees should be received by May 24. Anyone unable to attend but who would like to sponsor rhino conservation can visit www.aazkdetroit.org to donate.

Bowlers are asked to collect sponsor money of a minimum \$20 for adults and \$10 for children. All donations are tax deductible. Bowlers who raise over \$50 will receive a "Bowling for Rhinos" T-shirt and those who raise more than \$100 will receive the T-shirt and a rhino beanbag animal.

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BUSINESS BRIEFS

Westland businessman **Bhagwan Dashairya** has been named executive director of the IndUS Entrepreneurs (TiE), Detroit Chapter.



Dashairya

Dashairya is president and CEO of Dashairya & Associates, a Westland management consulting firm. He studied mathematics and engineering in India before earning a doctoral degree in engineering from Mississippi University and a master of business administration degree in entrepreneurial management from Davenport University.

TiE is an organization charted by entrepreneurs, corporate executives and senior professionals with roots or interest in the Indus region, with the explicit goal of benefiting all

entrepreneurs, would be entrepreneurs and professionals with an interest in entrepreneurship. The nonprofit is part of a multinational network that facilitates connections between entrepreneurs around the globe.

Raymond F. Hruska to Westland has joined the Rehmann Group at its Troy office as director of IT Services/Forensic Services for the Enterprise Risk Management Group. He brings 13 years of experience in infrastructure design, security, network administration, project management and contingency planning.

Previously, he worked as a technology risk management professional and digital forensic examiner at Jefferson Wells International in Southfield.

Hruska holds a bachelor of science in information technologies from the University of Phoenix.

Agency, state applaud foster parents

BY ALEX LUNDBERG
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Judson Center in Redford, an agency dedicated to helping children and families in crisis, celebrated National Foster Care Month Thursday by giving a deep bow to the foster parents who give those families the breathing room they need to heal.

Judson Center President and CEO Marn Myers said the people who open their homes to foster children are looking for a different satisfaction.

"One hundred years from now it's not going to matter how much is in your bank account or what car you drive," she said. "What will matter is the children you inspire. Bless you and thank you for all that you do."

Program Manager of Community Placement Susan Benson called Thursday's event a celebration of the efforts of foster parents in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and Livingston counties. She also said it was about reaching out to people considering being



Judson Center Regional Director Sean Defour (left) and Program Manager Sue Benson pose with a State of Michigan Tribute to the center by state Rep. Andy Dillon. It commemorates May as National Foster Care Month.

foster parents. "We want to spread word about the need of children in Michigan," Benson said. "There are 111 foster homes in Wayne County and 19,000 kids in the statewide system."

She said the greatest need is for homes for older children, teens and sibling groups. She said older children, especially teens, are stigmatized as harder to raise. They're no different than any other kids, but often they're waiting longer and ending up in temporary shelters.

Even with the most well-adjusted foster child, one can't

just clear out a bedroom and set another place at the dinner table. There's training, and the Judson Center offers that as well.

"You have to train to care for someone else's kids," said Licensing Specialist Cheryl Gies. "The classes teach about what kinds of kids there are and what to expect."

There are ongoing classes for handling the more troublesome cases. Sometimes the children in foster care have been physically or sexually abused and foster parents have to be taught how to deal with them. She said there are classes that prepare parents for dealing with Down Syndrome or other "medically-fragile" children.

Development Officer Kristine Schultz said the Judson Center has been around since 1924 when it was called the Detroit Baptist Children's Home. More or less an orphanage, the home ran a facility in

what is now Royal Oak. The circumstances have changed, but the goals are very much the same.

"We deal with kids that can't be with their parents for whatever reason," Schultz said. "The ultimate goal is to reunite families."

That said, more than half of the children who enter foster homes are adopted by their foster parents. After a year in foster care, adoption is an available option.

Cheron and Scott Ballard of Westland had talked about opening their house up to foster children for a few years before taking the classes to get licensed in January of 2007. Cheron said it was one of the most rewarding decisions she's made in her life.

"It's wonderful," she said. "There's never a quiet moment in the house, but it's great."

They have four children living in the home, two sibling groups of a pair of brothers and a brother and a sister. Kids are kids, she said, and not a day goes by that one or another isn't doing what he or she should or listening to what she and her husband are saying, but that's to be expected.

What hasn't been expected, she said, was the ease of transition.

"I was surprised how well the kids adapted," Ballard said. "You would think the transition to move into a stranger's house and live there would be harder."

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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 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.

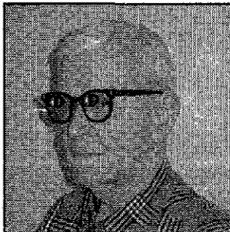
Special prismatic reading glasses and microscopes help make reading a little easier. Telescopic glasses primarily focus on distance objects like TV, passing neighbors or scenery. Telescopes can also be adapted to closer tasks like playing cards or computers. "Telescopes can even help people meet the driver vision requirement" Dr. Smith explained.

Michigan is one of 46 states that allow bioptic telescopic glasses for driving.

Mr. Leo Hakola, age 85 of Livonia, Michigan saw Dr. Smith last May.

Macular degeneration, cataract, stroke and double vision were causing reading and driving problems. Dr. Smith prescribed a complete low vision system which included telescopic glasses for driving and special prismatic glasses for reading. The entire cost was \$2789. Leo said "the telescopic driving glasses really help me see traffic lights and street signs down the block. And reading is much easier and single now with these special reading glasses. I am glad I found you, Dr. Smith."

In addition to the spectacle vision aids, Dr. Smith offers training to help people accomplish their daily activities. Visual aids help patients use their remaining vision to its fullest capacity while rehabilitative training improves the patient's



Leo Hakola wearing telescopic driving glasses

ability to carry out necessary independent activities. And of course safeguarding present vision levels is crucial. Sun filters and nutritional supplements can improve vision and prevent further loss.

"Each patient has a unique amount of vision and their own goals," says Dr. Smith. "I am committed to helping patients do what matters most to them and improving their quality of life."

Special reading glasses start at \$600 and custom telescopes can cost from \$1800 to \$2,500.

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.

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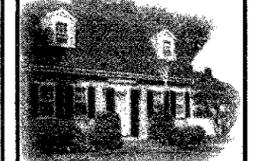
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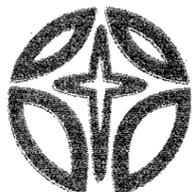
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Nope, it's going on in Kalamazoo and Mattawan, a small town southwest of there. And it looks like it may be the Michigan economy's biggest leap forward in years.

MPI Research, a privately held and very rapidly growing company in the pre-toxicology life sciences business, is headquartered in Mattawan. And it has decided to expand enormously right here in Michigan, instead of China or Pennsylvania.

The net result, after several years, is expected to entirely make up all the jobs lost when Pfizer decided a decade ago to close its research and manufacturing operations in Kalamazoo.

It's a big announcement, but the real significance comes in the back story. According to



Phil Power

William Johnston, the chairman of Southwest Michigan First, the local economic development outfit and a key local mover and shaker, the key events had to do with how the community rallied after Pfizer shocked the town.

"We didn't whine, we didn't cry," Johnson said. "We just sat down, thought hard about our assets and how to bring them together. Basically, we applied local capital to a storehouse of good ideas."

This story should stand as a textbook case about how Michigan communities need to work together to bring us back from our current time of troubles. Consider what went into this Michigan success story:

- Southwest Michigan First was organized as a privately funded economic development agency. It set up the \$50 million Southwest Michigan Life Sciences Fund, which offers seed funding to companies in the life sciences — but only if they agree to locate in Kalamazoo.

- Pfizer agreed to contribute two downtown buildings to the city of Kalamazoo. The city leased the buildings to MPI on favorable terms. Once MPI generates 400 new jobs, their title passes to MPI.

- State government, too often criticized for inertia or worse, stepped up. The state Legislature approved a new tax-free Renaissance Zone for downtown Kalamazoo. The Michigan Economic Development Corp.

pitched in tax breaks and incentives. The Department of Transportation agreed to spend \$500 million to improve an off-ramp on I-94 to accommodate increased traffic. Gov. Jennifer Granholm sat with MPI Chairman William Parfet, pitched the project, shook hands and sealed the deal.

Something like this could have never happened in the business climate of the "old" Michigan, whose culture featured conflict over collaboration, assignment of blame over working together, reliance on one or two giant companies over entrepreneurial risk, and deep pessimism or disbelief that things can actually get better.

Southwest Michigan First's Johnson told me that work leading up to the announcement has been going on locally for years: "We realized that we had a legacy of skilled and talented people here going back to the days of the Upjohn Co. And we realized we had to have an entire community-wide effort. There was a danger of too much concentration on one company and one industry."

"So we worked with Western Michigan University's new research and technology park, Parkview Campus, and set up an Innovation Center, an incubator for life science companies."

Ron Kitchens, the deceptively intense but superficially low-key head of Southwest

Michigan First, says Kalamazoo's progress isn't confined to the MPI deal. "We've had 11 new companies here in the last seven months," he says, "including an automobile supplier firm and Kaiser Aluminum. We're building a diversified economic base."

But it might be that the most satisfied of all is Bill Parfet, the high-energy, low-profile head of MPI. The land that the old Pfizer buildings are on was originally bought by his great-grandfather, Dr. John Upjohn. The patriarch built the Upjohn Co. into a giant corporation, and his father managed it for years. Now his own company is going back to the old family farm to make yet another contribution to his community. Parfet won't talk about it, but his heart has got to be swelling with pride these days.

What is clear is that this whole episode is a perfect illustration of what will make Michigan prosperous again — energy and vision; collaboration and inventiveness; willingness to take risk, coupled with concern for community.

We have the DNA of greatness in our bones. It's up to us all to find ways to express it.

Phil Power founder and president of The Center for Michigan, a centrist think tank based in Ann Arbor. The opinions expressed here are Power's and do not represent the official views of The Center. Reader comments are welcome at ppower@thecenterformichigan.net.

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ing their children's growing up years — and even after their children become adults. Until they have children of their own, few people realize how deep and wide a mother's love is.

Most adults know how to love others because of the love they were first shown by their mothers.

No mother is perfect — some certainly wouldn't win any Mother of the Year awards.

But most do the best they know how, loving their children the best they're able.

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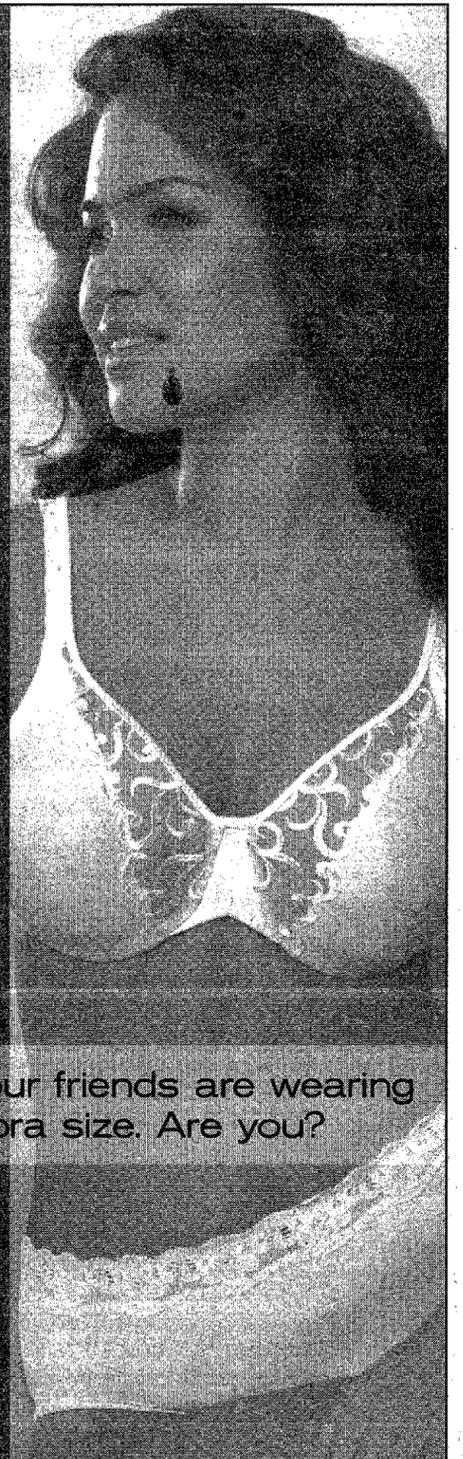
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Churchill soph hurls masterpiece to derail Glenn

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER SPORTS WRITER

Josh Payzant is the only sophomore on Livonia Churchill's baseball roster, but he gave a performance on the mound Friday that was well beyond his years.

The 6-foot-3, 227-pound right-hander tossed a two-hitter, walked only one and struck out 10 as Churchill kept

its WIAA-Lakes Division quest with a 6-2 win to knock Westland John Glenn out of a tie for first place.

Churchill is now 11-10 overall and 5-3 in the Lakes, while Glenn falls to 13-13 and 5-3. Both teams are now one-game behind Salem (13-7, 6-2) with two divisional games left.

Payzant, making his first divisional start, started out a little shaky, getting behind 2-

PREP BASEBALL

0 after one inning. But Glenn could muster only two base runners the rest of the way as he improved to 4-1 on the year.

"He's been with us all year," Churchill coach Ron Targosz said. "We knew he could pitch, but we've brought him along slowly so he'd get his confidence. We've been tak-

ing it slowly and not throwing him into the fire of divisional games, but he threw a shutout against North Farmington and threw a no-hitter against Essexville (Garber) in the Carleton-Airport Tournament. He's showing he's ready to pitch in the big games."

Glenn's Andrew DeLuca drew a lead-off walk and Jace Paciocco singled to start the game. DeLuca came around

on a Churchill infield error and Paciocco scored on a Chris Kangas sacrifice fly to make it 2-0.

Churchill got a run back in the bottom of the second when Devin Moynihan singled, advanced to third on a Glenn throwing error and came home on a balk.

The Chargers took the lead

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Amateur Cup

Canton Celtic F.C. will square off against Ann Arbor F.C. in a first-round USASA National Amateur Cup men's soccer match beginning at 8 p.m. Sunday at Saline High School.

Canton Celtic features several former or current collegiate players with area ties include Corey Berzac (Western Michigan) and Dave George (Michigan), both from Livonia Churchill; Steve Finneran and Eric Bowman, both of Livonia Franklin; James Misajlovich (Madonna), Adam Pichler (Detroit Mercy) and Dan Pichler (Madonna), Livonia Stevenson; Tom Huls (Michigan) and Kevin Savitskie (Michigan), both of Salem; along with former Madonna player Scott Emert, whose last club was the Delaware Wizards; and Madonna women's coach Paul Thomas.

Celtic F.C., coached by Churchill girls coach Dave Hebestreit, also features former Michigan stand-out Knox Cameron, formerly of the Columbus Crew, and Cam Cameron, also of Michigan.

Mat honoree

Lehigh (Pa.) University sophomore Manuel Schubert (Westland/Livonia Churchill H.S.) was recently named to the National Wrestling Coaches Association Division I All-Academic wrestling team.

Schubert, a two-time recipient of the team's Scholar-Athlete award, posted the third highest cumulative grade-point average among the 88 honorees on the All-Academic team with a 3.98 in biology. He has earned a perfect 4.0 in four of his first five semesters.

On the mat, Schubert assumed the starting role at 184 in February and went on to qualify for the NCAA Championships with a fourth-place finish in the EIWA Tournament.



Livonia Stevenson High grad Julie Ward (back row, second from right) and her Michigan State University teammates celebrate their Big Ten women's rowing championship.

Anagnostou carries torch for Spartans

See track results, Page B3

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER SPORTS WRITER

For an opening act, Livonia Stevenson's Nick Anagnostou can't be labeled anything less than an instant hit.

Just ask his coach, Scott Shaw, who wanted to cast the soccer player as a 400-meter runner, but quickly learned the junior would be an asset in the sprints.

On Thursday, Stevenson, minus three key members, wrapped up the Lakes Division title in the Western Lakes Activities Association

BOYS TRACK

with a 75-60 win at Livonia

Churchill in a battle of unbeatens.

Anagnostou, a surprise 100 winner the previous Saturday at the Observerland Relays, ran 10.84 to claim first against Churchill and followed up Friday in the Stevenson Twilight Invitational with a school-record time of 10.54, runner-up to Bennie Fowler of Beverly Hills-Detroit Country Day, who clocked a blistering 10.4.

Anagnostou broke the school record of 10.67 set by Nana Adomako in 2006.

"He was in my weight (training) class and he (Anagnostou) talked to me about coming out," Shaw recalled. "I was really looking for a 400 runner because we had plenty of sprinters. He wanted to stay in shape for soccer. We needed him earlier in a meet to go in the 100 and he runs 11.1 his first time out. He's been dropping his time ever since. He's just been one heck of a find."

Shaw also discovered his team can function without three key members, who missed the bus for Thursday's meet at Churchill and were sent home.

"I'm happy for the kids because everybody who thinks of us all the time talks about the White brothers (Mitchell, Myles and Austin), but we had other people who showed up and ran some great races," Shaw said.

Senior Derek Buskey, for instance, swept the 200 (22.91) and 400 (50.6) and was a member of Stevenson's victorious 800 (1:32.2) and 1,600 (3:31.4) relay teams.

The Spartans also went one-two-three in the 300 hurdles led by Dennis Swift's first-place time of 41.67.

"Dennis has been hurt all year and last week he comes back at Observerland and all he can do is the shuttle hurdles and then he comes back (Thursday against Churchill) and wins the 300 hurdles," Shaw said. "Overall that was big for us. And Shawn Howse came up huge with a second in the 1,600 (4:45.3) and a first in the 3,200 (10:09.1)."

In the five-team Twilight Invitational, Novi-Detroit Catholic Central edged Stevenson for the title, 175.5-173.5.

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MSU rower finds her niche

BY BRAD EMONS
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A competitive club swimmer since the age of six, Julie Ward found herself searching for a new identity after lettering her freshman year as a walk-on at Michigan State.

She decided to switch gears, or make that oars when it came to the water.

"I never rowed, but I still wanted to be part of a sport," Ward said. "When I swam I got a little burned out. 'State' really didn't have a good swim program and they were last in the Big Ten."

"I just decided I didn't want to swim, but I left on good terms with the swim coach. I was recommended to the rowing coach and I decided try out."

Ward walked on again and eventually earned a scholarship on the MSU rowing team where she helped the Spartans to Big Ten title last weekend in Ann Arbor on the Second Varsity Four boat.

Ward, a former All-Observer swimmer and team captain her senior year at Stevenson, joined teammates Catie Tyzo (West Bloomfield), Emily Huddleston (Dexter) and Katie Taylor (Polson, Mont.), along with coxswain Amanda Ruhno (DeWitt), to unseat top seed Wisconsin to win the 2-kilometer race in 7 minutes, 52 seconds.

MSU, which ran away with team

title tying Minnesota's record 150-point effort last season, is headed to the NCAA Regionals May 17-18 in Oak Ridge, Tenn. The ultimate goal is to obtain a berth in the NCAA Championships, May 31-June 1, in Sacramento, Calif.

It was MSU's first Big Ten title since 2005.

"We were the favorites," Ward said.

"We had the target on our backs. Our coach said we were pretty much under pressure to win and we pretty much dominated."

In 2005-06, Ward got her feet wet as a member of MSU's Top Novice Eight which placed third in the South/Central Regional. She also rowed in the four-seat of the First Novice Eight that placed fourth at the Big Tens with a time of 7:22.5.

"I had to get used to it, I did not fall in love with it right away," Ward admitted. "I like it more than I used to. College swimming and rowing are one of the two toughest sports. Swimming is more resistance to weight training, while rowing is building up more bulk."

MSU uses the Grand River both as its home course and practice site.

"With rowing it's blisters and it's painful, whereas swimming is time consuming and demanding," Ward said. "It's different. I'd say rowing is more business-like. Our coach treats



Irish eyes smiling

The Notre Dame University women's rowing team, helped by Livonia native Cailey Ryckman, garnered its sixth consecutive Big East Championship on April 27 by sweeping all six grand final races on Melton Hill Lake in Oak Ridge, Tenn. The Irish finished with 123 points followed by runner-up Louisville (105), Syracuse (92), Georgetown (85), Rutgers (67), Connecticut (64), Villanova (44) and West Virginia (28). Ryckman, a freshman from Livonia Ladywood High who was a four-year swimmer, was a member of the victorious novice four boat crew, which captured a gold medal with a winning time of 8:11.5 in the 2-kilometer race.

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Spartans post 1st division win, 10-8

Livonia Stevenson unloaded for 15 hits Friday as Jeff Sorenson homered and had three RBI as the visiting Spartans earned their first Lakes Division baseball win in the Western Lakes Activities Association against Walled Lake Central, 10-8.

Stevenson, now 5-15 overall and 1-7 in the division, got three hits apiece from Eric Krauss and Sam Vomastek, while Sorenson, Mike Tuttle and Bob Smith added two each.

Cody Rzeznik led Central (12-12, 2-6) with three hits and an RBI, while Eric Glanz and T.J. Thewes each added two hits.

Stevenson starter Dave Niesyto, who went the first 5.2 innings, got the victory. He allowed 11 hits on eight runs, but only two were earned.

Mike Tuttle pitched 1.2 innings of scoreless relief to earn the save.

Central starter Brent Lockwood, who gave up seven runs on 10 hits over three innings, took the loss.

JOHN GLENN 5, STEVENSON 0: Senior Chris Kangas pitched seven strong innings Thursday to post the shutout as Westland John Glenn (13-12, 5-2) earned the WLLA-Lakes Division triumph over Livonia Stevenson (4-15, 0-7).

Kangas struck out eight, walked only two and gave up a pair of hits to notch the victory.

Jon Gillis went 2-for-4 with two RBI for the Rockets. Jace Paciocco contributed an RBI single in the fifth and Steven Murphy locked it up with a two-run single in the seventh.

Losing pitcher Jeff Sorenson allowed just five hits, walked four and struck out eight in seven innings.

Sam Vomastek and Mike Tuttle had the lone hits for Stevenson.

PLYMOUTH 13, FRANKLIN 2: On Thursday, the host Wildcats (13-6, 5-2) mercied Livonia Franklin (10-10, 3-4) in six innings as Michael Rose went 3-for-3 and David Harvey had a two-run homer, his third of the season.

Junior right-hander Brad Lineberry picked up the win for the 'Cats, giv-

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ing up six hits and three walks in five innings.

Kyle Sanders pitched a perfect sixth inning to notch the WLLA-Western Division win.

Other key offensive contributors for the Wildcats were Luke Merandi (1-for-2, three RBI), Garrett Reban (2-for-4), Lineberry (2-for-4, RBI), Matt Skubik (2-for-4, RBI), Ronnie Goble (1-for-4, two runs, two RBI) and Kyle Traver (1-for-3, two RBI).

The Wildcats stole eight bases.

W.L. WESTERN 9, WAYNE 1: Zach Gatten homered and knocked in three runs Thursday as visiting Walled Lake Western (12-3, 6-1) cruised to the WLLA-Western Division win over Wayne Memorial (8-14, 0-7).

Zeb Hancock doubled and scored a run for the Zebras.

Starter Ryan Collop suffered the loss.

HAMTRACK 8, CLARENCEVILLE 6: On Thursday, the Cosmos scored twice in the sixth inning and held on for the Metro Conference victory over host Livonia Clarenceville (1-18, 1-8) in a first-round playoff game.

John McAlpine, the losing pitcher, went 2-for-3. He struck out nine.

Mike Schiffman contributed a two-run double, while Jacob Bibik added an RBI double for the Trojans.

MACOMB CHRISTIAN 10, HURON VALLEY 0: John Murphy went 3-for-4 and Scott Tucker pitched a four-hit shutout Thursday as host Warren Macomb Christian (10-11, 5-3) earned the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference win over Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (6-9, 5-3) between Red Division members.

Tucker struck out five and did not allow a walk in the six-inning mercy. He also went 2-for-4 at the plate.

Losing pitcher Aaron Howell, touched up for 13 hits, falls to 3-2.

LUTH. NORTH 10, CLARENCEVILLE 0: On Wednesday, host Macomb Lutheran North (7-7, 5-3) exploded for seven runs in the fourth and fifth innings to mercy Livonia Clarenceville (1-17, 1-7).

Robby Schneider was the winning pitcher for the Mustangs, while Mike Schiffman suffered the loss.

Levan Go had a single and stolen base in a losing cause. Jimmy Moody, Dan Schiffman and John McAlpine had the other Clarenceville hits.



Wolves Just Do It

The under-9 Wolves won four straight games recently to capture the Ohio FC Nike Challenge Cup. Wins came against PASA, Ohio Celtic, Cincinnati Classics and Sycamore Arsenal (in the final). Team members include (back row, from left): Jack Burke, Rudy Ramirez, Ben McCauley, Matt Phillips, Harrison Sochor, Daniel Wright; (front row, from left) Neil Makin, Daniel Bojovic, Austin Kaczmarek and Sam Landefeld.

Chargers finish off Pioneer; Spartans deadlock Novi, 0-0

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER SPORTS WRITER

It may seem a little confusing, but Livonia Churchill finally won its 2008 season girls soccer opener.

In a continuation of a game from March 31 that was suspended by inclement weather, the host Chargers got a goal Bailey Brandon off a perfectly placed corner kick from Kayla Johnston with 34:31 left Friday to beat Ann Arbor Pioneer, 1-0.

Churchill, ranked No. 2 in Division 1, is now 13-1 overall, while Pioneer falls to 4-3-5.

The game was restarted in the 25th minute and Pioneer ironically controlled the tempo again at the outset.

"We made an adjustment in our formation after 10 minutes and I thought we carried the play from there," Churchill coach Dave Hebestreit said. "We did not change our style of play. We just went forward on the attack. We had four or five corner kicks and about 12 throw-ins, which are almost as good as corner kicks for us."

Pioneer coach Chris Morgan said that Churchill was "very solid and dangerous on set pieces."

"That was our biggest concern," he added. "We had a tough game against Saline last night, but that's not to make any excuses because I thought overall it was a good day for us. It was not the outcome we wanted, but we've seen a lot of tough teams."

Pioneer nearly tied it with seven minutes remaining when a shot rang off the Churchill goalpost.

"Except when they hit the post they did not stretch us,"

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Hebestreit said of Pioneer. "We had some different personnel in the game and I'm happy with the way we played Pioneer's organization. I told them afterwards I was proud of the way we played."

Goalkeeper Megan Bauman, who made two saves, notched her second shutout in goal for the Chargers.

STEVENSON 0, NOVI 0: Livonia Stevenson (7-5-2) came away Friday with a draw against the host Wildcats (10-2-2), ranked No. 5 in Division 1.

"This is definitely encouraging and good for us," Stevenson coach Chris Pinta said. "Novi is a very good team. They carried 80 percent of the play and we were looking to counter out of it. They're very good defensively and we could only get Renee Boudreau through a few times."

"I thought Stephanie Gutkowski and Talem Mergian worked very hard and our keeper Rachel Simari came up with a couple of good saves. Their outside-midfielder Katie Chaklos was a hand-full. She was very dangerous overall."

CHURCHILL 8, JOHN GLENN 0: Livonia Churchill (12-1-1, 7-1) sewed up the Lakes Division and will have the home field for the Western Lakes Activities Association championship match following a mercy-rule victory Wednesday over visiting Westland John Glenn (1-12, 0-8).

The state-ranked Chargers will likely face Northville in a rematch of last year's WLLA championship, 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 21 at home.

Kayla Johnston had two goals and two assists to lead the Chargers, who jumped out to a 6-0 halftime lead en route to their sixth straight shutout.

Bailey Brandon also scored twice, including the game-winner just 11 seconds into the match off an assist from Johnston.

Callie Mack contributed two goals as well, while Diana Busch and Julie Greco added one apiece.

Megan Bauman got the shutout in goal as coach Dave Hebestreit sat

starter Stefanie Turner. "We dressed only 14, four starters were out and five sat all together because of various injuries," Hebestreit said. "The girls are doing a good job of what the coaches are asking them to accomplish."

"And Johnston right now is playing at another level."

STEVENSON 2, W.L. CENTRAL 1: First-half goals by Stephanie Gutkowski and Shannon Merritt propelled Livonia Stevenson (7-5-1, 4-3-1) to a WLLA-Lakes Division triumph Wednesday at Walled Lake Central (5-6-3, 4-3-1).

Kayla Kimble assisted on the first Stevenson goal at the 20-minute mark. Alex Harbowy set up the second goal just five minutes later.

Aly Haney scored with seven minutes remaining to spoil Stevenson keeper Rachel Simari's shutout bid. Meanwhile, Taylor Commiskey made several key stops for the Vikings.

"Overall I was really pleased with our play, I think we came out motivated and ready to put forth some effort, which can make a world of difference," Stevenson coach Chris Pinta said.

WAYNE 1, FRANKLIN 1: In a WLLA-Western Division matchup Wednesday, host Livonia Franklin (1-12-1, 1-6-1) and Wayne Memorial (0-13-1, 0-7-1) battled to a draw.

Both goals came in the opening half as senior midfielder Kelly Powers scored for the Patriots at the 25-minute mark from Amy McGaughey, while Whitney Jacobs countered five minutes later for the Zebras.

It was the final home game from Franklin seniors Kelly Powers, Molly Perkins and McGaughey.

Freshman Erica Romo played in goal for Franklin, while Nickole Jarvis played keeper for Wayne.

"Their center back was dropped off quite a bit and we were having trouble adjusting to that and making the final pass in front of their goal," Franklin coach Jen Barker said. "Their keeper made some key saves as did ours in the moments that they did bring an attack."

"We certainly outshot them and created many opportunities that we couldn't capitalize on."

Huntington hurler ends MU's season

The Madonna University baseball team got lost in the forest Friday night as host Huntington (Ind.) University eliminated the Crusaders from the double-elimination NAIA Region VIII Tournament, 7-1.

MU, the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference tournament and regular season champions, finish the year 37-14 overall.

Huntington (32-13) rode the pitching prowess of Eric Randel, who tossed a four-hitter to send the Foresters into Saturday's championship game against Spring Arbor.

Randel went all nine innings in the complete-game effort, walking only one.

MU starter Richard Lindquist, meanwhile, was roughed up for six earned runs on eight hits in 3.1 innings. Five MU hurlers gave up a total of 13 hits.

The Crusaders led 1-0 after two innings on a double by Kevin Zerbo and RBI single by John McCracken.

Korey Gow and Edwin Rodriguez each collected three hits for Huntington, while Ryan Shell and Keith Benbow added two hits apiece. Thad Frame contributed a solo homer.

Earlier in the day with their backs against the wall, the Crusaders mounted a 14-hit, three-homer attack to pound Indiana Tech, 9-3.

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Big guns included Scott Boyer (3-for-4, two runs, one RBI), Rikco Rhoades (2-for-4, two runs, three RBI), Ryan Morrow (2-for-4, two RBI) and Pat Kenny (2-for-3, two runs, one RBI).

Homering were Boyer, Rhoades and Kenny.

That offensive punch provided plenty of cushion for MU senior pitcher Eric Wendling, who gave up just one earned run in 7.2 innings against the Warriors.

On Thursday, the Crusaders committed two costly errors and lost 6-4 to Spring Arbor.

A first-inning two-run homer by Levi Cheshire (Troy) gave the Crusaders early hope. But a five-run fifth by the Cougars, helped by a costly error, put Madonna into a 6-2 hole it could not recover from.

"We walked a few guys which proved to be runs that scored," MU coach Greg Haeger said. "We also made a couple mistakes in the field. But that's baseball."

Senior pitcher Will Kennedy (Westland John Glenn) pitched the first 4.2 innings and gave up three earned runs while striking out five and took the loss.

Reliever Carl McDevitt (Canton) pitched 2.1 scoreless innings.

Livonia Ladywood passed its first-round test in the Catholic League girls soccer playoffs with a 2-0 victory Friday night at home over Madison Heights Bishop Foley.

The Blazers, now 6-4-4 overall, scored a goal in each half.

Alessia Vagnini tallied the game-winner from Kaitlyn Vitale in the 36th minute and Alison Szczypka's penalty kick in the 58th minute sewed up the victory.

The win sends the Blazers into a 6 p.m. Tuesday semifinal

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matchup at Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard (15-2-2), ranked No. 3 in Division 3.

Goalkeeper Michele Ring made a pair of saves to notch her fifth shutout of the year for Ladywood.

The loss drops Foley to 5-9 overall.

The Ventures, who lost a previous meeting to the Blazers 3-0, played the final 22 minutes down a player after being

red-carded for a defender being flagged for a deliberate touch near the goal resulting in Szczypka's PK.

LUTH. WESTLAND 8, HARPER WOODS 0: Ashley Pniewski scored twice Thursday as Lutheran High Westland (7-6, 4-4) rolled to a Metro Conference mercy rule triumph over the host Pioneers.

Other goal scorers for the victorious Warriors, who led 6-0 at halftime, included Megan Fisher, Lauren Gieschen, Lauren Switzer, Amber Pniewski, Danielle Voetberg and Jessica Welsler.

Chelsea Kyles posted the shutout in goal.

Hoehn's HR lifts Stevenson

Jamie Johnson pitched a three-hit shutout and Kathleen Hoehn's solo homer in the fifth inning was all Livonia Stevenson needed Friday to earn a 2-0 WLLA-Western Division girls softball win over visiting Walled Lake Central.

Johnson struck out 11 and walked only one in seven innings as the Spartans improved to 8-5 overall and 5-3 in the division.

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Kristy Hardy, the losing pitcher, gave up just five hits, walked one and struck out five for the Vikings (14-7, 5-3).

After Hoehn's homer cleared the fence, Stevenson added an insurance run in the sixth as Amanda Paison singled and later stole second. Kristina Vaclavek doubled and Lauren Brueck followed with a walk to load the bases.

Laura Deacon then grounded out on a force to the plate, but Paison scored on a passed ball.

CHURCHILL 11, JOHN GLENN 3: Freshman Natalie Hiser scattered five hits and fanned eight Friday as Livonia Churchill (9-13, 4-4) downed host Westland John Glenn (1-13, 0-8) in a WLLA-Lakes Division encounter.

Paula Guzik and Taylor Kerr combined to score five of Churchill's 11 runs. Jordan Kerr contributed a two-run double in the third to launch the Churchill scored. Taylor Kerr and Katrina St. Pierre also doubled.

Winning pitcher Natalie Hiser scattered five hits over seven innings. She struck out seven and walked one.

Brittany Holbrook, the losing pitcher, had a two-run single for Glenn in the fifth. She allowed five hits, walked two and struck out five.

FRANKLIN 7, WAYNE 0: Freshman Jessica Emery went 3-for-3 with an RBI to propel Livonia Franklin (15-6, 4-4) to the WLLA-Western Division victory Friday at Wayne Memorial (5-16, 0-8).

Winning pitcher Natalie Sanborn (11-2) helped her own cause going 2-for-4. She struck out eight, walked two and allowed just one hit, a first-inning single to Wayne catcher Kathy Harris.

Freshman Keely Wilson also singled twice and knocked in a run for the Patriots.

Losing pitcher Jesse Harris allowed 13 hits, walked two and fanned two.

PLYMOUTH 4, FRANKLIN 0: On Thursday, a lead-off homer by Erin Rodes and a two-run shot in the first by Amanda Burnard carried the host Wildcats (12-7, 4-3) to the WLLA-Western Division triumph over Livonia Franklin (14-6, 3-4).

Winning pitcher Lauren Smith allowed nine hits over seven innings. She struck out three and did not allow a walk as Plymouth played errorless ball.

Losing pitcher Natalie Sanborn (10-2) gave up five hits, walked two and struck out three. One run was unearned.

Brittany Taylor went 2-for-4 for the Patriots.

W.L. WESTERN 15, WAYNE 0: Amanda Pham went 3-for-4 and scored four runs Thursday as host Walled Lake Western (8-6, 4-3) took four innings to mercy Wayne Memorial (5-15, 0-7) in a WLLA-Western Division encounter.

Winning pitcher Emily Carlson allowed just four hits, walked none and struck out four.

Wayne pitcher Jesse Harris took the loss.

STEVENSON 7, JOHN GLENN 0: Laura Deacon pitched a one-hitter Thursday as Livonia Stevenson (7-5, 4-3) won the WLLA-Lakes Division make-up game Thursday at Westland John Glenn (1-12, 0-7).

Deacon struck out six and walked only one in the six-inning mercy.

Nicole Diehl collected the lone hit for Glenn.

Kathleen Hoehn had a two-run single, and Emily Hollandsworth contributed an RBI single for the victorious Spartans. Amanda Paison also had two hits, while Kristina Vaclavek doubled.

Losing pitcher Brittany Holbrook gave up seven hits, walked 12 and fanned five.

LUTHERAN NORTH 8, CLARENCEVILLE 2: In a Metro Conference makeup Wednesday, Tess Wangelin went 3-for-4 and Andrea Bohm added two hits and two RBI to lead host Macomb Lutheran North past Livonia Clarenceville (5-12, 3-5).

Wangelin, the winning pitcher, allowed just five hits, walked five and struck out three over seven innings.

Losing pitcher Val Sockacki (5-8), a sophomore, gave up eight hits, walked three and struck out five in six.

Senior Karinda Cummins had two hits and an RBI in a losing cause.

NU 8, CLARENCEVILLE 2: Winning pitcher Kelsey Weekley went 3-for-4 Tuesday as host Redford Union turned back Livonia Clarenceville (5-11).

Courtney Gagnon added three hits and an RBI for the victorious Panthers. Teammate Sarah Sanders homered.

Weekley allowed just five hits, walked three and fanned eight.

Losing pitcher Val Sockacki (5-7) gave up eight earned runs on 12 hits. She walked three and hit three batters.

Karinda Cummins walked and singled for the Trojans.



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the sport like a job. This is pretty intense coming from swimming. What's different is the team aspect. What I like about it is that you have to work with other girls instead of just relying more on yourself."

Ward's future appears bright. She plans to move from the waters of Grand River to a career in Grand Rapids.

Ward has already graduated with a degree in Advertising and the past two years (2007 and 2008) has made the Dean's List and been an MSU Spartan Academic Excellence Recipient while carrying a 4.0 grade-point average.

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Julie Ward (second from left) and her Second Varsity four teammates Emily Huddleston, Kate Taylor and Catie Tyzo won the Big Ten Championship last weekend in Ann Arbor.

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for keeps in the third when Ricky Scully tripled home Steve Jones (3-for-4), who led off the inning with a single. Brian Runge was then hit by a pitch and Scully came home on a wild pitch.

In the fourth, designated hitter Derek Poremba delivered an RBI single and the Churchill put it away with two more in the fifth when Moynihan was hit by a pitch, followed by a Payzant single down the third base line and a bunt single by Cotter coupled with a pair of Glenn throwing errors.

Over the final six innings, Payzant kept the Rockets off balance with a nice blend of pitches, retiring 17 of the final 19 batters he faced.

"It's a slider, a curve," Targosz said of the sophomore's repertoire. "He's not afraid to throw it when he's behind on 2-0 and 3-1 (counts). He'd get ahead and just not fire the fastball. He comes at you with different arm angles. Ninety-eight (total) pitches, not bad. He's learning to become a better pitcher instead of a thrower."

Losing pitcher Robert Fraser went the first five innings, allowing three earned runs on 10 hits. He walked two, hit two batters and fanned six before reliever Jon Gillis took over in the sixth.

"You can't win - not with five errors and two hits," Glenn first-year coach Tom Wakefield said. "Things were looking up early for us. The last two or three games we've been able to get on top and hold a lead, but today we did not have an answer for it. We did not compete."

Wakefield, however, gave kudos to the Churchill 10th-grader.

"He's a good pitcher, one of the best I've seen this year," he said. "I thought being a right-handed guy - with that speed - it would play into our hitters' hands, but he had a nice slider. I can't believe he's a sophomore."

Glenn, meanwhile, can still control its own destiny and gain a share of the Lakes title with a win Monday at home against Walled Lake Northern followed by a victory Thursday at home against Salem.

Churchill, meanwhile, finishes its division schedule Monday at Livonia Stevenson and Friday at home against Walled Lake Central.

"We said to the kids we're still in it," Targosz said. "We just have to take it one game at a time and that's Monday at Stevenson."

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White (LS), 23.0; 3. Anagnostou (LS), 23.1; 4. Buskey (LS), 23.3; 5. Ronnie Kadykowski (CC), 23.4; 6. M. Joseph (CC), 23.7.

3,200: 1. John Paul Zebrowski (CC), 10:00.3; 2. Austin Zebrowski (CC), 10:00.4; 3. Alex Toloff (CC), 10:00.5; 4. Shawn Howse (LS), 10:13.7; 5. Justin Melny (DEF), 10:53.1; 6. Eric Plisko (LS), 10:53.6.

1,600 relay: 1. Catholic Central, 3:35.4; 2. Country Day, 3:41.0; 3. Stevenson, 3:42.2.

DUAL MEET RESULTS LIVONIA STEVENSON 77 LIVONIA CHURCHILL 60 May 8 at Churchill

Shot put: 1. Chris Golonka (LS), 46 feet, 3 inches; 2. Matt Broome (LS), 45-5.75; 3. Duane Nejarian (LC), 43-11.75.

Discus: 1. Broome (LS), 138-6; 2. Golonka (LS), 127-11; 3. Hajarian (LC), 125-5.

High jump: 1. Pat York (LS), 6-3; 2. DuJuan Cooks (LC), 6-0; 3. Wyatt Stahl (LS), 5-9.

Long jump: 1. Billy Gutowski (LC), 20-6.75; 2. Nate Serigson (LS), 19-8; 3. Will Burek (LS), 19-1.

Pole vault: 1. Derek Peterman (LC), 14-6; 2. Jonathan Gudeman (LS), 12-6; 3. Christopher Bernard (LC), 10-3.

110-meter hurdles: 1. Peterman (LC), 15.7; 2. Ryan Whitlum (LC), 16.1; 3. Will Burek (LS), 16.2.

300 hurdles: 1. Dennis Swift (LS), 41.67; 2. Burek (LS), 42.3; 3. Osama Al-Haymi (LS), 43.4.

100 dash: 1. Nick Anagnostou (LS), 10.84; 2. Emmanuel Dixon (LC), 11.1; 3. Daran Carey (LC), 11.25.

200: 1. Derek Buskey (LC), 22.91; 2. Anagnostou (LS), 22.93; 3. Devon Easterling (LC), 23.05.

400: 1. Buskey (LC), 50.6; 2. Gutowski (LC), 50.7; 3. Serigson (LS), 52.3.

800: 1. Brandon Grysko (LC), 2:02.9; 2. Nathan Wise (LC), 2:04.3; 3. Michael Schmidt (LC), 2:04.8.

1,600: 1. Mark Waterbury (LC), 4:40.2; 2. Shawn Howse (LS), 4:45.3; 3. Paul Folk (LC), 4:46.1.

3,200: 1. Howse (LS), 10:09.2; 2. Joe Varlone (LC), 10:09.7; 3. Eric Plisko (LS), 11:09.9.

400 relay: 1. Churchill (Dixon, Scott Coppola, Travis Tomey, Carey), 44:16; 2. Stevenson, 44:21; 3. Catholic Central, 45:2; 4. Country Day, 45.9.

400: 1. Buskey (LS), 51.7; 2. Harrison Hall (CC), 52.2; 3. Serigson (LS), 53.1; 4. Kevin Stephens (RU), 53.9; 5. Brandon Williams (RU), 54.4; 6. (tie) Stephen Pollard (LS) and Tom Wyatt (CC), 54.5 each.

300 hurdles: 1. Naser (DEF), 39.2; 2. Sansovich (DEF), 41.3; 3. Myles White (LS), 41.5; 4. Will Burek (LS), 42.7; 5. Andy Campbell (CC), 43.2; 6. Scota (RU), 43.9.

800: 1. Zach Oleski (CC), 1:59.9; 2. Nick Fry (CC), 2:02.6; 3. Mike Gibbons (LS), 2:04.1; 4. Brandon Schneider (CC), 2:06.9; 5. Francis Mensah (RU), 2:10.1; 6. Mike Galindo (CC), 2:10.9.

200: 1. Brendan Curran (CC), 22.5; 2. Mitchell

Bozigan (WJG), 41-5.

Discus: 1. Dennison (WLC), 158-5.5; 2. Bozigan (WJG), 151-5.3; 3. T.J. Arancibia (WJG), 139-4.

High jump: 1. Dennis Dillard (WJG), 5-6; 2. Daris Smith (WJG), 5-3; 3. Kyren Boyd (WJG), 5-3.

Long jump: 1. Keshawn Martin (WJG), 21-2.5; 2. Smith (WJG), 18-4; 3. Joe Nodge (WJG), 17-9.

Pole vault: 1. Ryan Lockhart (WJG), 11-0; 2. Justin Kollar (WJG), 9-0.

110-meter hurdles: 1. Dillard (WJG), 16.1; 2. Sergio Pavan (WJG), 16.97; 3. Teifke (WJG), 17.8.

300 hurdles: 1. Pavan (WJG), 44.9; 2. Dillard (WJG), 45.12; 3. Rhode (WLC), 45.34.

100 dash: 1. Larry Dawkins (WJG), 10.95; 2. Bahri (WLC), 11.3; 3. JaJuan Marks (WJG), 11.5.

200: 1. Martin (WJG), 22.5; 2. Dawkins (WJG), 22.9; 3. Boyd (WLC), 23.4.

400: 1. Nelson Kenne (WJG), 53.5; 2. Servello (WLC), 53.6; 3. Lockhart (WJG), 55.12.

800: 1. Nodge (WLC), 2:08.0; 2. Crimmins (WLC), 2:09.0; 3. Smith (WJG), 2:11.0.

1,600: 1. Norton (WLC), 4:52.19; 2. Tim Boes (WJG), 4:54.0; 3. Louman (WLC), 4:56.6.

3,200: 1. Norton (WLC), 10:46.0; 2. Wane (WLC), 10:47.0; 3. Boes (WJG), 10:52.0.

400 relay: 1. John Glenn (Marks, Martin, Corey Davis, Dawkins), 44.0; 2. Central, 44.5; 3. Catholic Central, 45.2; 4. John Glenn, 45.3; 5. John Glenn (Kenne, Boyd, Lockhart, Pavan), 3:39.0; 3,200 relay: 1. Central, 8:44.0; 2. John Glenn, 9:10.0.

100-meter hurdles: 1. Stuart Gregory (LF), 15.9; 2. Cameron Wiludka (LF) 16.2; 3. Tim Belcher (LF), 9:01.0; 4. 3. Tim Belcher (LF), 9:01.0; 4. 3. Tim Belcher (LF), 9:01.0.

Discus: 1. Jason Foster (C), 127-5; 2. Coleman (LF), 119-9; 3. Brandon Lane (LF), 109-0.

High jump: 1. Mike Baumbgardner (LF), 19-1.75.

Long jump: 1. Ocie Lewis (C), 20-4; 2. Isaac Cadet (LF), 19-8; 3. Mike Baumbgardner (LF), 19-1.75.

Shot put: 1. Kevin Beadle (LF), 5-10; 2. (tie) Keith Zech (C) and Tony Lawson (LF), 5-8 each.

Pole vault: 1. Chris McGinnis (C), 13-0; 2. Beadle (LF), 12-6; 3. Nick Finner (LF), 12-0.

3,200-meter relay: 1. Canton (Chris Jahoda, Brandon Tolinski, Josh Hurst, Keith Zech), 9:01.0; 2. Franklin, 9:42.8.

100 hurdles: 1. Stuart Gregory (LF), 15.9; 2. Cameron Wiludka (LF) 16.2; 3. Tim Belcher (LF), 9:01.0; 4. 3. Tim Belcher (LF), 9:01.0.

100 dash: 1. Eric Piowar (C) 11.4; 2. Paul Voegelie (LF), 11.6; 3. Isaac Cadet (LF), 11.6.

800 relay: 1. Franklin (Gregory, Voegelie, Baumbgardner, Darrell Myre), 3:32.0; 2. Canton (Ryan Randall, Sheriff Hassanien, Tim Belcher, Eric Piowar), 1:34.4.

1,600: 1. Derek Hoerman (C), 4:44.3; 2. Greg Reed (C), 4:48.2; 3. Dylan Taylor (LF), 4:52.6.

400 relay: 1. Franklin (Myre, Cadet, Baumbgardner, Voegelie), 44-1; 2. Canton (Ryan Randall, Ocie Lewis, Adam Somers, Nick Austin), 46.5.

400: 1. Chris Jahoda (C), 53.2; 2. Jordan Wisniewski (C), 53.6; 3. Davion Stackhouse (C), 54.2.

300 hurdles: 1. Tim Belcher (C), 40.7; 2. Sheriff Hassanien (C), 41.7; 3. Gregory (LF), 42.7.

800: 1. Evan Sirena (LF), 2:02.6; 2. Mike Krcaalovich (LF), 2:04.0; 3. Josh Hurst (C), 2:06.7.

200: 1. Eric Piowar (C), 23.2; 2. Myre (LF), 23.6; 3. Voegelie (LF), 23.8.

3,200 run: 1. Duncan Spitz (C), 10:11.4; 2. Kyle Clinton (C), 10:30.6; 3. Doug Cole (LF), 10:43.6.

1,600 relay: 1. Canton (Sheriff Hassanien, Davion Stackhouse, Jordan Wisniewski, Tim Belcher), 3:39.2; 2. Franklin, 3:44.9.

Dual meet records: Canton, 5-2 overall, 4-1 WAAA-Western Division; Franklin, 2-4 overall, 2-3 WAAA-Western Division.

MACOMB LUTHERAN NORTH 81 LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 45 May 9 at Clarenceville

Shot put: 1. Josh Hocevar (LN), 39 feet, 7 inches; 2. Taylor Hall (C'ville), 39; 3. Andrew Jasmir (C'ville), 38-7.5.

Discus: 1. Jasmir (C'ville), 120-2.

High jump: 1. Scott Wiegand (LN), 5-10; 2. Joey King (C'ville), 5-8.

Long jump: 1. David Swaitzkey (LN), 18-0; 2. Adrian Myers (C'ville), 17-11.75.

110-meter hurdles: 1. Andy Patterson (LN), 16.6; 2. Daniel Pappaj (C'ville), 17.9; 3. Joey Nelson (C'ville), 18.6.

300 hurdles: 1. Ben Watts (C'ville), 45.4.

100 dash: 1. Swaitzkey (LN), 11.8; 2. Levonte Brooks (C'ville), 11.9; 3. Moses Hobson (C'ville), 12.0.

200: 1. John Stathakis (LN), 24.2; 2. Ryan Glass (C'ville), 24.5; 3. Brooks (C'ville), 24.6.

400: 1. Stathakis (LN), 53.0; 2. Glass (C'ville), 55.2; 3. Christian Grates (C'ville), 58.0.

800: 1. Andreas Koerner (LN), 2:15.1.

1,600: 1. Dan Karabell (LN), 4:55.0; 2. Matt Parent (C'ville), 4:56.7.

3,200: 1. Karabell (LN), 10:43.0; 3. Parent (C'ville), 11:02.6.

400 relay: 1. Lutheran North (Zach Bielecki, Patterson, Marty Pore, Swaitzkey), 46.8; 2. Clarenceville, 47.2; 800 relay: 1. Lutheran North (Bielecki, Eric Olivero, Pore, Swaitzkey), 1:37.9; 2. Clarenceville, 1:38.5; 1,600 relay: 1. Clarenceville (Hobson, Nelson, Watts, Glass), 3:53.9; 2. Lutheran North, 4:01.0; 3,200 relay: 1. Andrew Suleggi, Nathan Shilling, Eric Strange, Karabell, 9:19.0; 2. Clarenceville, 9:32.1.

Clarenceville's dual meet record: 10-2 overall, 3-1 Metro Conference.

GIRLS TENNIS RESULTS

WALLED LAKE CENTRAL 8 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 0 May 9 at John Glenn

No. 1 singles: Erica Rouleau (WLC) defeated Samantha Giles, 6-1, 6-0; No. 2: Stephanie Indianer (WLC) def. Sarah Pruett, 6-2, 6-1; No. 3: Sayuri Yoshida (WLC) def. Louissa Villaroman, 6-1, 6-3; No. 4: Liz Slusher (WLC) def. Latina Yacks, 6-1, 6-0.

No. 1 doubles: Sarah Johnson-Angela Stawasz (WLC) def. Kasheena Martin-Kaylin Bothell, 6-1, 3-6; 6-1; No. 2: Nicole Mehta Mackenzie Conn (WLC) def. Halle Baker-Brooke Zywick, 6-1, 6-3; No. 3: Melissa Kosky-Rena Molnar (WLC) def. Lauren Baker-Desiree Cienney, 6-4, 6-3; No. 4: Samantha Saperstein-Nicole Stawasz (WLC) def. Sabrina Lawrence-Shannon McFadden, 6-1, 6-1.

Glenn's dual match record: 3-11 overall, 1-10 Western Lakes Activities Association.

FARMINGTON HILLS HARRISON 6 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 2 May 8 at F.H. Harrison

No. 1 singles: Courtney Jones (FHH) defeated Samantha Giles, 6-1, 6-0; No. 2: Sarah Pruett (WJG) def. Jennifer Wagner, 6-4, 4-6, 7-6 (7-5); No. 3: Lia Stewart (FHH) def. Louissa Villaroman, 6-3, 6-0; No. 4: Allison Lewsey (FHH) def. Latina Yacks, 6-3, 6-0.

No. 1 doubles: Lauren Connelly-Charlotte Rath (FHH) def. Kasheena Martin-Kaylin Bothell, 6-0, 4-6, 6-1; No. 2: Halle Baker-Brooke Zywick (WJG) def. Liz Foster-Brisben Asekomo, 6-1, 6-1; No. 3: Paula Warren-Mayuko Yagyi (FHH) def. Lauren Baker-Desiree Cienney, 4-6, 6-2, 6-4; No. 4: Christine Mathis-Lydia Miller (FHH) def. Shannon McFadden-Sabrina Lawrence, 6-4, 6-1.

Glenn's dual meet record: 3-10 overall.

WALLED LAKE NORTHERN 7 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 1 May 7 at John Glenn

No. 1 singles: Chanel Leyva (WLN) defeated Samantha Giles, 6-1, 6-0; No. 2: Shelby Miller (LS) def. Sara Pruett, 6-1, 6-4; No. 3: Emily Call (WLN) def. Louissa Villaroman, 6-1, 6-0; No. 4: Audrey Topp (WLN) def. Latina Yacks, 6-0, 6-0.

No. 1 doubles: Holly Heckert-Danielle Hicks (WLN) def. Halle Baker-Brooke Zywick, 6-3, 6-4; No. 2: Amy Hou-Brigitte Bourdeau (WLN) def. Kasheena Martin-Kaylin Bothell, 3-6, 6-0, 6-2; No. 3: Lauren Baker-Desiree Cienney (WJG) def. Monica Dallo-Paige Schmidt, 6-3, 2-6, 6-3; No. 4: Jenny Stanton-Kelly Mezaris (WLN) def. Brittany Hanon-McFadden, 6-1, 6-4; 6-2.

John Glenn's dual match record: 3-9 overall, 1-9 WAAA.

LIVONIA STEVENSON 6 LIVONIA CHURCHILL 2 May 6 at Churchill

No. 1 singles: Lindsay Rostetter (LS) defeated Lucy Klunk, 6-1, 6-0; No. 2: Laura Sims (LS) def. Paige Fallu, 6-1, 6-4; No. 3: Paige McNamara (LS) def. Katelyn Foster, 6-2, 7-6 (9-7); No. 4: Carl Marschner (LS) def. Kelly Houghtan, 6-4, 6-2.

No. 1 doubles: Katy Roberts-Katherine Morse (LS) def. Kelly Felner-Jenna Zuccarini, 7-5, 7-5; No. 2: Gabrielle Sabatini-Laura Gumpert (LS) def. Nikki Fata-Lauren Vela, 6-4, 6-7 (7-9); 6-3; No. 3: Courtney Bennett-Danielle Wasko (LC) def. Ashley Benvenuto-Shannon Dwight, 6-4, 6-2; No. 4: Brianna Devlin-Val Rose (LC) def. Danielle Jagodzinski-Amanda Enea, 6-4, 6-2.

Dual match records: Stevenson, 9-1-2 overall, 8-1-2 WAAA (clinched Lakes Division title); Churchill, 6-7 overall, 5-6 WAAA.

GIRLS TRACK RESULTS

Long jump: 1. Kelly Tapella (LF), 15-4.25; 2. Monica Hardy (LF), 15-3.75; 3. Winans (C), 13-11.

100-meter hurdles: 1. Meghan Powers (FO), 9-0-2; Ouint (LF), 8-6; 3. Anastasia Sanding (LF), 7-6.

300 hurdles: 1. Seneca Scott (LF), 50.29; 2. Hoener (C), 53.79; 3. Shannon Niznik (LF), 53.92.

100 dash: 1. Williams (C), 13.32; 2. Hardy (LF), 13.45; 3. Molly Hirst (LF), 13.68.

200: 1. Olivia Hernandez (LF), 27:11; 2. Banks (C), 27:53; 3. Hardy (LF), 27:63.

400: 1. Ashly Butkowski (LF), 1:01.98; 2. Swanberg (C), 1:02.55; 3. Schmidt (C), 1:06.29.

800: 1. Megan McPherson (LF), 2:26.13; 2. Gorzalski (C), 2:47.5; 3. Kroll (C), 2:48.13.

1,600: 1. Mallory Church (LF), 5:50.85; 2. Dominique Jordan (LF), 5:53.03; 3. Victoria Church (LF), 6:07.43.

3,200: 1. Brittany Dilley (LF), 13:29.21; 2. Catherine Studzinski (LF), 13:44.98; 3. Tiffany VanOrden (LF), 13:54.82.

400 relay: 1. Canton, 52:25; 2. Franklin, disqualified; 800 relay: 1. Franklin (Scott, Butkowski, Hernandez, Hardy), 1:48.51 (school record); 1,600 relay: 1. Canton, 4:26.0; 2. Franklin, 5:04.39; 3,200 relay: 1. Franklin (Jordan, M. Church, Niznik, Scott), 10:35.72.

Dual meet records: Franklin, 5-1 overall, 4-1 WAAA-Western; Canton, 1-5 overall, 1-4 WAAA-Western Division.

WALLED LAKE CENTRAL 74 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 63 May 6 at W.L. Central

Shot put: 1. Kelsey Prena (WLC), 34 feet, 3 inches; 2. Kari Prena (WLC), 33-8; 3. Ryan Anderson (WJG), 30-2.

Discus: 1. Kari Prena (WLC), 114-5; 2. Kelsey Prena (WLC), 100-1; 3. Anderson (WJG), 81-9.

High jump: 1. Lindsey Kaminski (WLC), 4-3; 2. Ashley Montgomery (WJG), 4-0; 3. Ashley Snyder (WJG), 4-0.

Long jump: 1. Chanel Payne (WJG), 16-4.5; 2. Montgomery (WJG), 14-11; 3. Meredyk (WLC), 13-5.5.

Pole vault: 1. Meredyk (WLC), 7-6; 2. Jamie Mellas (WJG), 6-6; 3. Shamoun (WLC), 6-6.

100-meter hurdles: 1. Kaminski (WLC), 17-7.2; 1. Lingle (WLC), 18.32; 3. Hagler (WLC), 18.88.

300 hurdles: 1. Kaminski (WLC), 54.2; 2. Bianco (WLC), 57.22; 3. Hagler (WLC), 58.68.

100 dash: 1. Ashley Parker (WJG), 12.75; 2. Payne (WJG), 12.87; 3. Lakeysa Smith (WJG), 13.59.

200: 1. Parker (WJG), 27.7; 2. Mattei (WLC), 28.19; 3. Smith (WJG), 29.06.

400: 1. Parker (WJG), 1:04.6; 2. Mattei (WLC),

1:06.5; 3. Mellas (WJG), 1:09.72.

800: 1. Alex Hamlett (WJG), 2:38.0; 2. Hulteen (WLC), 2:47.0; 3. Jennifer Drum (WJG), 2:53.0.

1,600: 1. Natch (WLC), 6:03.0; 2. Hulteen (WLC), 6:04.0; 3. Stacey Richardson (WJG), 6:05.0.

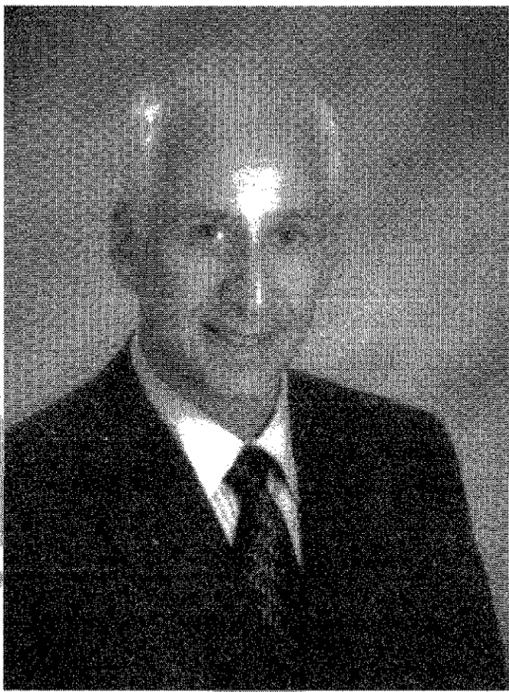
3,200: 1. Nash (WLC), 12:58.0; 2. Richardson (WJG), 13:00.0; 3. Sears (WLC), 13:53.0.

400 relay: 1. John Glenn (Jasmine Sanchez, Montgomery, Smith, Payne), 53.4; 2. Central, 57.44; 800 relay: 1. John Glenn (Payne, Montgomery, Smith, Parker), 1:49.9; 2. Central, 2:08.0; 1,600: 1. John Glenn (Mellas, Jaimie Medel, Sanchez, Hamlett), 4:39.9; 2. Central, 4:56.0; 3,200 relay: 1. Central, 10:53.0; 2. John Glenn, 10:58.0.

Glenn's dual meet record: 1-5, 0-5 WAAA-Lakes Division.

WALLED LAKE WESTERN 114 WAYNE MEMORIAL 21 May 8 at Wayne

100-meter hurdles: 1. Ray (WLW), 17.09; 2. Crystal Hughes (WM), 19.5; 300 hurdles: 1. Tobel (WLW), 51.3; 2. Ray (WLW), 52.4; 100 dash: 1. Zeitlin (WLW), 12.68; 2. Rochelle Woods (WM),



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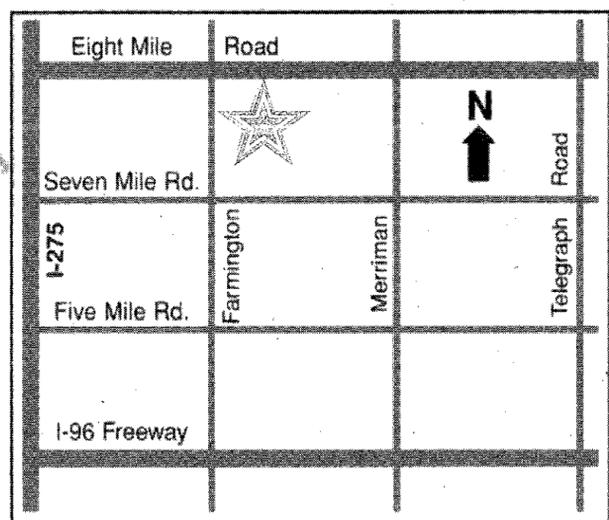
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Jazz concert to raise money for cancer patients

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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Elaine Greenberg hasn't let her diagnosis of ovarian cancer eight years ago put a damper on her love of music and dedication to helping people. On Sunday, May 18, she holds another jazz benefit to raise funds for Living for Music, a nonprofit which uses music to ease the suffering of cancer patients by brightening their day.

The 3 p.m. concert features saxophonist George Benson and The Cliff Monear Trio, at Temple Israel, 5725 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield.

Prior to the concert there will be a brief presentation to educate women about ovarian cancer. Greenberg says, people are still being diagnosed too late.

Tickets are \$30 adults, \$15 age 15 and under. Call (248) 661-6344 or send e-mail to jazzconcert08@gmail.com.

Since Greenberg founded Living for Music five years ago, she has provided iPods for patients getting chemotherapy, and CD players for the music therapy program at the Karmanos Cancer Institute.

"We're very particular about who we give," said Greenberg of Farmington Hills. "The money cannot go to a general fund but directly to people. This time we're giving about 40 insulated bags to Providence for patients to bring food to chemotherapy. Inside will be a Teddy bear, bottles of water and bars of soap."

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Volunteers sought for new study

The American Cancer Society is looking to Metro-Detroit residents to play a role in improving the lives of future generations by participating in a new study. The Society will be signing up volunteers for its Cancer Prevention Study-3 (CPS-3) at Relay For Life of Canton noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 17, in Heritage Park.

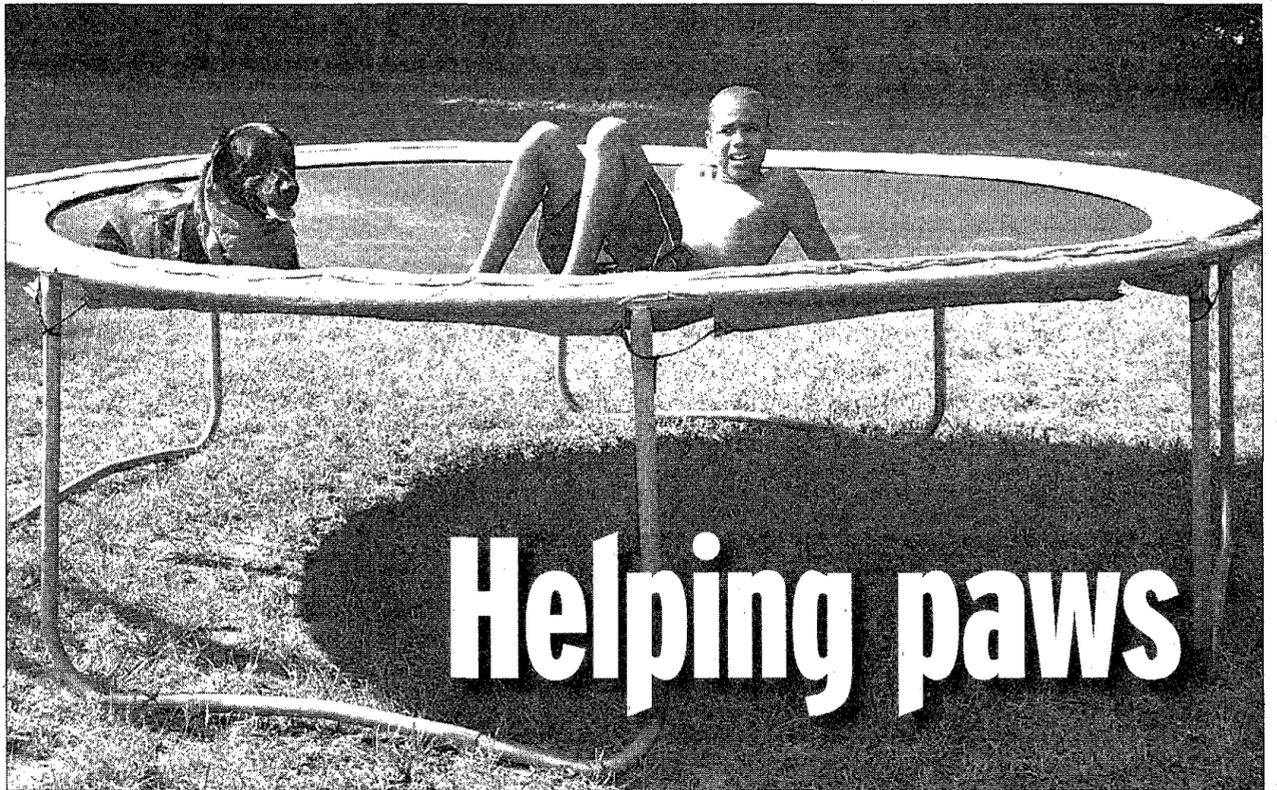
The study, which will enroll a diverse population of half a million people across the U.S., will help researchers better understand the lifestyle, environmental and genetic factors that cause or prevent cancer.

Participants must be between the ages of 30 and 65, must never have been diagnosed with cancer and must be willing to make a long-term commitment to the study. They will be asked to complete a brief written survey, provide a waist measurement and give a small blood sample at the enrollment site. After that, follow-up surveys will be sent to participants' homes on a regular basis over the next few decades to update health behavior information.

Researchers will use the data from CPS-3 to build on evidence from a series of American Cancer Society studies that began in the 1950s and involved hundreds of thousands of volunteer participants. The Hammond-Horn Study and previous Cancer Prevention Studies (CPS-I, and CPS-II) have played a major role in understanding cancer prevention and risk, and have contributed significantly to the scientific literature and to the development of public health guidelines and recommendations. Those studies confirmed the link between cigarette smoking and lung cancer, showed that obesity increases the risk of several cancers and linked aspirin use to a lower death rate from colon cancer. The current study, CPS-III, began in 1982 and is still ongoing. But changes in lifestyle and in the understanding of cancer in the more than two decades since its launch make it important to begin a new study.

The Canton Relay For Life event is one of 64 sites around the country where individuals can enroll in the new study this year, and will be the only time CPS-3 will be enrolling in Canton. Initial enrollment takes 20 to 30 minutes.

For information or to learn how to become involved, visit www.cancer.org/cps3, send e-mail to cps3@cancer.org, or call toll free 1-888-604-5888.



Helping paws

Genesis, an autism assistance dog, keeps a sharp eye on Daniel Williams in the backyard of their home. The 14-year old boy has been known to wander off due to the disorder.

Autism assistance dogs help meet special needs

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
O&E STAFF WRITER

Pam Williams was joking when she first mentioned getting a dog to pull son Daniel off the fence when he tries escaping the backyard. She knew about the different tasks Leader Dogs perform to keep blind and visually impaired people safe so why not autistic children. Williams went to the Web and found 4 Paws for Ability in Ohio. The nonprofit agency trains service animals to meet the special needs of people with disabilities.

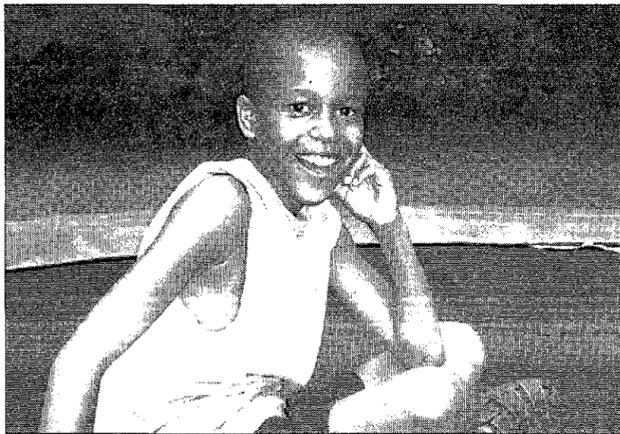
For the past year Genesis, an autism assistance dog, has kept Daniel out of danger. Just last week the 14-year-old ran out of the car before Williams had a chance to grab his hand. Genesis chased after Daniel and blocked him from going any further until Williams could catch up.

Diagnosed with autism at age 2 1/2, Daniel is nonverbal. He is currently a student in the Birmingham Public Schools' autistic program.

"Daniel has no sense of danger and is hyperactive. She knows his running means danger," said Williams as she pulled out the red harness Genesis wears when they go out. A regular leash is hooked onto Daniel's belt tethering them together.

"In public we strap Daniel to Genesis and he can walk independently. It allows us to take him to more places. She is an awesome support. We stopped taking him to the grocery store because of his behavior. Now we are able to take him with us. We do a lot of walking. It really has empowered him to be independent and she's a companion for him."

Until Genesis, children in general avoided Daniel because they didn't understand the disorder. Ken



Daniel Williams

Williams, Daniel's father, sees her ability to attract children as the dog's greatest gift to the family.

"They said she would be a child magnet for him. For the first time last summer children would come to the door and ask is Daniel home. We would explain to them about autism," said Ken Williams, academic dean of the Dearborn campus of Davenport University. "It helped him in his socialization. He sits there as if he's part of the conversation. He sits there like a teenager with a bunch of boys."

Although the 3-year-old dog has been trained to disrupt repetitive behaviors such as crying spells by touching the child with her paw and to give comfort by nuzzling, Genesis' most valuable quality as far as Pam is concerned is the ability to search and rescue. To demonstrate Daniel and Ken leave the house to find a hiding place outdoors. Pam takes out the special black collar and leash used

only for tracking. Within minutes Genesis and Pam have found the two. Pam spent 10 days with Ken and Daniel at 4 Paws for Ability learning to handle Genesis.

"If she had no other quality it is her ability to track and find him. You have heard about autistic who have drowned. If only they had a dog trained in search and rescue," said Pam. "She's been a real blessing in our lives."

The Williamses and 4 Paws have rescued Genesis as well. The black lab was in a shelter in Kentucky when Karen Shirk brought her into the autism assistance training program.

The agency's executive director knows first hand the importance of service dogs. Shirk suffers with myasthenia gravis, an autoimmune disorder causing muscle weakness. At one point Shirk needed the help of a ventilator just to breathe.

After being turned down for a service dog, Shirk trained a puppy she named Ben to assist with everyday tasks. It was a short walk from there to founding 4 Paws for Ability. So far the agency has placed more than 299 dogs since 1999, 80 percent of those dogs with autistic children.

Seventy-percent of the dogs come from shelters and rescue groups. They learn basic obedience from inmates as part of three prison programs. The dogs then go through 500 plus hours of advanced training for tasks such as behavior disruption and tethering at the 4 Paws facility. While in prison the dogs leave for periods of time to work on socialization skills since they'll be going into stores and businesses as part of the daily routine of their families.

"They're groomed from the time they're babies to service autistic so they'll be tolerant of an autistic child," said Shirk. "We rarely take in dogs over a year old. The older a dog gets the harder to assimilate strange behavior."

"We do see a great improvement in communication skills in the child which comes from giving commands to the dogs. The dog doesn't have any expectations so they feel more comfortable with their dogs, talk to their dogs. For those learning to be verbal, they're giving commands and it teaches them cause and effect. It teaches them to communicate something and have a result. They're not going to get the dog to roll over by throwing a tantrum."

For more information about autism assistance dogs, visit www.4pawsforability.org, call (937) 374-0385, or send e-mail to karen4paws@aol.com.

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For Camp Discovery for children with epilepsy (June 29 to July 3), at Sherman Lake YMCA Outdoor Center in Augusta, northwest of Kalamazoo. Volunteer training from experts on epilepsy and camp procedures Saturday, June 28. Free room/board. For information/application, visit www.epilepsymichigan.org, call (800) 377-6226, option 1, Ext. 231, or send e-mail to sdaroch@epilepsymichigan.org.

Divorce support group

Group discussion; attorney Patricia Kasody-Coyle will also be available to answer questions in a private setting on a first come, first served basis, 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, May 13, in the Women's Resource Center (room 225), McDowell Center, Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. (734) 462-4443.

Fibromyalgia lectures

Speakers on diagnosing, treating and understanding the disorder, yoga demonstration, chair massages 6-9:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 13, at Courtyard by Marriott, 31525 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills. Cost \$10. Pre-registration encouraged. Call (248) 344-0896 or send e-mail to smo23915@aol.com. Presented by H.O.P.E. educational support group.

Skin cancer screening

Free 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, May 15, at the Marian Professional Building, 14555 Levan, Suite 410, Livonia. Call (734) 462-9499. By appointment only.

Art dash

To benefit the Arbor Hospice Foundation Thursday, May 15, at St. John's Golf and Conference Center,

Plymouth. An evening of wine, food, auction items, and fun. For tickets, call (734) 794-5152.

Asthma walk

American Lung Association of Michigan Asthma Walk will be held 9 a.m. (registration at 7:30 a.m.) Saturday, May 17, at the Detroit International Riverfront. The walk will raise funds for lung health education, advocacy, asthma treatments and research. Registration is free. Families, children, individuals, and teams are welcome to participate. For details and to register, visit www.AsthmaWalk.org or call 1-800-LUNG-USA.

Hearing loss event

Day at the State Capitol in Lansing Wednesday, May 21, chartered bus leaves Tel/Twelve Mall (cost \$30), participants meet with their state representative and senator, and attend a session of the Senate and House, hearing access provided the entire event. For a registration form, call (586) 247-4053 or send e-mail to ngibben@hfhhs.org. A bus registration form may be obtained from the Hearing Loss Association of Michigan, P.O. Box 4808, Troy, MI 48099.

Race for the cure

17th Annual Susan G. Komen Detroit Race for the Cure® presented by Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute - 5K Run/Walk and One-Mile Walk 7-11:30 a.m. Saturday, May 31, at Comerica Park, Detroit. Organizations can get involved through sponsorship opportunities or by hosting a team. For information on sponsoring the race, call (248) 351-1862. Online team registration runs to May 13, individual registration through May 29, at www.karmanos.org/raceforthecuredetroit. Cost is \$12-

\$40. On-site registration will be available at May 30 Expo or Race day beginning at 7 a.m. Komen Detroit Race for the Cure® Expo will be held 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, May 30, at the Max M. Fisher Music Center, 3711 Woodward, Detroit. The free event offers entertainment, merchandise, pink ribbons to honor loved ones and other surprises. Visit www.karmanos.org or call (800) KARMANOS.

Nutrition for Life

Led by St. Mary Mercy's Tamara Lark, RD, 7-8 p.m. each month in Classroom 11 at St. Mary Mercy's Marian Professional Building, 36475 Five Mile at Levan, Livonia. Early registration required (\$15 per class). Call (734) 655-8950. The next topic is Carbohydrates: 101 Wednesday, May 21.

UPCOMING

Lupus loops bike ride

Registration begins 8 a.m. and ends 10 a.m. Sunday, June 8, begins and ends at 25 Mile and Shelby Rd., Shelby Township. Choose from a 18 mile casual ride to a 100K road ride or 17.5 mile trail ride. Benefits Lupus Alliance support groups, community outreach, programs, awareness and research. Registration fees \$18 before June 1, \$25 after. For information or to register, call (800) 705-6677 or visit www.milupus.org. A pancake breakfast will be served for all riders at the VFW Hall in Bruce Township.

Tour de Cure event

Tour de Cure, the American Diabetes Association's annual cycling event is June 8 at Island Lake Recreation Area in Brighton. Sign up by calling (800) TOUR-888 or visit www.diabetes.org/tour.

ONGOING

Recovery, Inc.

The support group meets at 10 a.m., Wednesdays at Prince of Peace Church, Walnut Lake Road and Green, West Bloomfield. Recovery, Inc. is an international, non-profit, self-help community based organization that helps people with nervous and emotional disorders reduce their suffering and improve quality of life. Call Martha Paul at (248) 682-9362 or send e-mail to marthapaul@sbcglobal.net. The self-help meetings in Livonia run 7:30 p.m. Monday St. Matthew's Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile; 1:15 p.m. Thursday, Mt. Hope Congregational Church, 30330 Schoolcraft, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard. Call (313) 561-2521 or visit www.recovery-inc.org. No charge, contributions collected.

Low vision support group

Meets 1-3 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main. For more information, call Ellen Stross at (734) 453-0750, Ext. 232.

Self-defense class

For women and men 11 a.m. the first Saturday of every month at the Sanctuary Chiropractic & Wellness Spa, 35275 Plymouth, Livonia. Call (734) 421-7100. No charge, but a \$5 donation will be sent to a shelter for abused women and children.

Arthritis Foundation programs

Winter classes begin for warm-water and land-based exercise programs, Tai Chi, and a six-week series that offers keys to successful arthritis self-management, in Canton, Redford and Westland. Call (800) 968-3030 or visit www.arthritis.org.

Crusaders' Region VIII run stopped by Bethel College

BY TIM SMITH
OBSERVER SPORTS WRITER

COLLEGE SOFTBALL

The Madonna University women's softball team will have to settle for being regular season and playoff champions of the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference. The Crusaders, after losing 5-3 on Wednesday to Bethel College (Ind.) to fall into the loser's bracket at the 2008 NAIA Region VIII

Championship in Lakeview, Ind., defeated Indiana Tech, 5-0, the followed day to stay alive in the tourney. But hopes of advancing to the national tournament were dampened later Thursday when Bethel (49-4) defeated MU, 5-1. "I'm still choked up about it," said MU veteran coach

Al White about being eliminated. "Even after two outs in the last inning, they didn't give up." White then praised seniors Liz Ballinger and Christina Finch for displaying leadership and fight right until the final out was recorded. "I can't say enough about our two seniors," White continued. "They led the team. That's what you want to instill in a

team - never give up." The Crusaders (37-14-1) fell behind 4-0 to Bethel in the third, largely because of a three-run homer by Katie Booher (2-for-3). But they came back with a run in the bottom half. Kelly Lesko singled and came around thanks to an error by the Pilots. Bethel got that run right back, scoring in the fourth against MU freshman Jessica Irwin (24-7), who gave up

just one earned run in six innings of work. Garden City's Ashley Shay went 2-for-2 for MU, the only player with more than one hit against the Pilots' pitchers. Finch went 1-for-3 in her MU finale while Ballinger pitched one scoreless inning in relief of Irwin. Earlier Thursday, facing elimination with a loss, Irwin pitched a complete-game two-hitter against Indiana

Tech (27-24-1), for her 24th victory. A two-out error by the Warriors sparked MU's three-run second and the Crusaders added two in the fourth on a bunt single by Canton's Britney Scero (2-for-3) and a groundout by Cat Sidor (Livonia Churchill). Finch, Kathleen Smiley (Walled Lake Western) and Lesko registered the only other Madonna hits.



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PREP BASEBALL
Monday, May 12
Churchill at Stevenson, 4 p.m.
Franklin at Northville, 4 p.m.
W.L. Northern at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
Canton at Wayne, 4 p.m.
Tuesday, May 13
Plymouth at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
Canton at Churchill, 4 p.m.
Franklin at W.L. Central, 4 p.m.
Wayne at Stevenson, 4 p.m.
Taylor Baptist at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, May 14
Churchill at Franklin, 4 p.m.
Stevenson at Plymouth, 4 p.m.
John Glenn at Northville, 4 p.m.
W.L. Northern at Wayne, 4 p.m.
Thursday, May 15
Salem at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
Wayne at Plymouth, 4 p.m.
Huron Valley at Canton Agape, 4:30 p.m.
Friday, May 16
Churchill at W.L. Central, 4 p.m.
Franklin at Canton, 4 p.m.
Stevenson at W.L. Northern, 4 p.m.
John Glenn at Edsel Ford, 4 p.m.
Saturday, May 17
(Livonia City Tournament at Ford Field)
Franklin vs. Clarenceville, 10 a.m.
Stevenson vs. Churchill, noon.
Championship final, 2 p.m.
Consolation final at Franklin, 2 p.m.
GIRLS SOFTBALL
Monday, May 12
Stevenson at Churchill, 4 p.m.
Northville at Franklin, 4 p.m.
John Glenn at W.L. Northern, 4 p.m.
Wayne at Canton, 4 p.m.
Tuesday, May 13
John Glenn at Plymouth, 4 p.m.
Churchill at Canton, 4 p.m.
W.L. Central at Franklin, 4 p.m.
Stevenson at Wayne, 4 p.m.
Clarenceville at Clawson, 4:30 p.m.
Taylor Baptist at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, May 14
Franklin at Churchill, 4 p.m.
Plymouth at Stevenson, 4 p.m.
Northville at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
Wayne at W.L. Northern, 4 p.m.
Thursday, May 15
Canton at Franklin, 4 p.m.
John Glenn at Salem, 4 p.m.
Huron Valley at Canton Agape, 4:30 p.m.
Friday, May 16
W.L. Central at Churchill, 4 p.m.
W.L. Northern at Stevenson, 4 p.m.
Plymouth at Wayne, 4 p.m.
Saturday, May 17
(all double-headers unless noted)
John Glenn at Lakeland, TBA.
Madonna Classic at Canton Softball Ctr., TBA.
(Public Schools of Livonia Invitational at Ford Field)
Churchill vs. Franklin, 10 a.m.
Stevenson vs. Clarenceville, noon.
Championship final, 2 p.m.
Consolation final at Franklin, 2 p.m.
Sunday, May 18
Madonna Classic at Canton Softball Ctr., TBA.
GIRLS SOCCER
Monday, May 12
W.L. Northern at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
Southfield Christian at Clarenceville, 5 p.m.
Churchill at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
Franklin at Northville, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, May 14
Salem at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
W.L. Central at Churchill, 7 p.m.
Franklin at Canton, 7 p.m.
Stevenson at W.L. Northern, 7 p.m.
Wayne at Plymouth, 7 p.m.
Friday, May 16
Wayne at Monroe, 5:30 p.m.
Northville at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
Franklin at Dearborn, 7 p.m.
BOYS & GIRLS TRACK & FIELD
Tuesday, May 13
Clarenceville, Lutheran Westland at Lutheran Northwest, 4:30 p.m.
Friday, May 16
Division 2 regional at Ladywood, 10 a.m.
Division 1 regional at Canton, noon.
Saturday, May 17
Division 3 regional at New Haven, 10 a.m.
Division 4 regional at Luth. Westland, 10 a.m.
BOYS GOLF
Monday, May 12
Churchill vs. W.L. Northern at Brentwood C.C., 3 p.m.
Franklin vs. Plymouth at Ivy Wild, 3 p.m.
Stevenson vs. W.L. Central at Fox Creek, 3 p.m.
John Glenn vs. Canton at Hilltop G.C., 3 p.m.
Wayne vs. Northville at The Woodlands (Van Buren), 3 p.m.
Tuesday, May 13
Huron Valley vs. Piv. Christian, 2:30 p.m.
John Glenn vs. Churchill at Whispering Willows, 3 p.m.
Wednesday, May 14
Churchill vs. Stevenson at Whispering Willows, 3 p.m.
Franklin vs. Salem at St. John's G.C., 3 p.m.
John Glenn vs. W.L. Northern at The Woodlands (Van Buren), 3 p.m.
Wayne vs. Plymouth at Hickory Creek G.C., 3 p.m.
Thursday, May 15
Wayne County Championships at Pleasant Run, 9 a.m.
Wayne vs. Salem at The Woodlands (Van Buren), 3 p.m.
Friday, May 16
MIAC Tourney at Bald Mountain, 9 a.m.
Churchill vs. W.L. Western at Bay Pointe G.C., 3 p.m.
Franklin vs. W.L. Central at Ivy Wild, 3 p.m.
Stevenson vs. John Glenn at The Woodlands (Van Buren), 3 p.m.
GIRLS TENNIS
Monday, May 12
Lamphere at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 13
Royal Oak at Franklin, 4 p.m.
Harrison at Stevenson, 4 p.m.
Wayne vs. Clarenceville at Bicentennial Park, 4:30 p.m.
Thursday-Friday, May 15-16
Division 1 regional at Novi, TBA.
Division 2 regional at Chelsea, TBA.
Division 3 regional at A.A. Greenhills, TBA.
GIRLS LACROSSE
Friday, May 16
Ladywood at South Lyon, 7 p.m.
WOMEN'S INDEPENDENT FOOTBALL LEAGUE
Saturday, May 17
Det. Demolition at Kansas City Tribe, 6 p.m.

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Mental illness touches everyone

May is Mental Health Month. Mental Health Month is an annual observance designed to increase awareness about mental health and mental illness. This year's theme, "Mental Health Matters: In Your Life," reminds Americans that caring for their mental health is as important as taking care of their physical health because mental health impacts all areas of life.



Chat Room

Paul Melrose

This observance is sponsored by the National Mental Health Association (NMHA) and the National Council for Community Behavioral Healthcare (NCCBH). NMHA is an advocacy organization dedicated to improving the mental health of all Americans. NCCBH is a non-profit trade association for providers of mental health and addiction treatment services. It was in 1949 that Congress set aside May to be "Mental Health Month".

About mental health Rosalyn Carter has said: "People with mental problems are our neighbors. They are members of our congregations, members of our families; they are everywhere in this country. If we ignore their cries for help, we will be continuing to participate in the anguish from which those cries for help come. A problem of this magnitude will not go away. Because it will not go away, and because of our spiritual commitments, we are compelled to take action."

It is part of the spiritual commitment and sense of how we understand people that leads us at Samaritan Counseling Center to want to make the public aware of this major health concern. While the above mental health organizations have taken the lead to promote this concern many other mental health groups join this effort. Here are some facts: According to the Surgeon General, one in every five Americans experiences a mental disorder in any given year and half of all Americans have such disorders at some time in their lives. These illnesses of the brain affect all of us, regardless of age, gender, economic status or ethnicity.

Mental illness affects the mind, body and the spirit. It is a real, common and treatable illness. Mental illnesses are far more common than cancer, diabetes, heart disease or arthritis.

Why is good mental health important? Good mental health is essential to overall health and personal well-being. It also contributes to the ability to lead a healthy, balanced, and productive life. Emotional problems can impair a person's thinking, feelings, and behavior and, over time, can become increasingly serious and disabling.

Unfortunately, many people do not seek treatment for mental health issues for a number of reasons. They may not be completely aware of the extent of their problem, they may be hesitant to make contact with a mental health professional because they fear they will be stigmatized, or they may not know how to access services. Yet, overall quality of life is greatly improved when a person with a mental health concern or problem seeks help and receives appropriate treatment from a qualified professional.

Numerous web sites highlight and lift up the importance of this month. I looked at several web sites to gather this information to give you, the reader, a flavor of how important a health concern this is. If you need to seek help; your good health depends on it.

Dr. Paul Melrose is Executive Director of the Samaritan Counseling Center of SE Michigan. He can be reached at www.paulmelrose.com or through 248-474-4701. The Staff of the Samaritan Counseling Center can be reached at www.samaritancounselingmichigan.com, or through 248-474-4701.



Jessica Rusnock (left), her mother Debra, and Debra's mother Lucy Lussenden are hoping a marrow donor can be found at a drive at St. Aidan Catholic Church in Livonia on Mother's Day.

A mother's love

Inspires a daughter's wish to find a marrow donor

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Jessica Rusnock just wants to attend another concert with her mother Debra. It's a simple wish, but one the 18-year-old Livonia girl may not see come true if a marrow donor isn't found. That's why Rusnock is volunteering at a drive with her father Regis and grandmother Lucy Lussenden on Mother's Day at St. Aidan Catholic Church in Livonia. Rusnock says she hasn't even thought about making plans for the special day which honors a mother's love. She's too busy trying to keep her mom alive.

As part of its Thanks Mom campaign, the National Marrow Donor Program has set a goal of registering 46,000 people to help patients like Debra in need of transplants.

Debra was diagnosed with acute myelogenous leukemia in February 2004. After receiving chemotherapy she went into remission, but the blood cancer returned in April 2007. This is the seventh time she has undergone the treatments twice a day, every other day for a week.

NATIONAL MARROW DONOR PROGRAM

What: Continues its drives to register donors
When: 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, May 11
Where: St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Rd., north of Six Mile, Livonia
Information: Visit www.marrow.org for upcoming drives or call (800) MARROW-2.

She could be released from the hospital in a few days but more than likely will be back if she doesn't receive a transplant. None of the 52-year old Livonia woman's family were a match.

"She never gives up and tries to make the best of things even with everything going on," said Jessica who recently completed her freshman year at Western Michigan University. "She's always going to concerts and taking me with her, the Goo Goo Dolls. She took me and one of my friends to Kenny Chesney. She always plans little trips. She wants to make sure everybody's happy and having fun."

Last Monday, Debra was able to step outside Saint Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor for the first time in three weeks. The experience "was remarkable." She says, those are the kind of things I look forward to appreciating when I'm well, the warmth against my skin, the gentle breeze.

Debra never dreamed that when she slipped while trying to take a padded hanger away from the family dog during Christmastime 2003 that her injury would lead to the discovery of leukemia. Then she started having breathing problems and flu-like symptoms. Her only hope for a cure is the transplant.

All that's needed to determine a match is a swab of the cheek. Debra's concern is that prospective donors won't come out for the drive fearing a transplant could be a painful procedure.

"People don't understand it's not the old fashioned way where they delve into your bone," said Debra. "If a potential donor was found Karmanos would analyze the blood, use an IV and take blood out of a donor and run it through the machine that skims the stem cells and give

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Organ music inspires lifelong love



LANCE LUCE

Gilbert Francis is responsible for helping to keep the organ music alive at the Redford Theatre. He celebrated his 80th birthday at a party there last Sunday.

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Gilbert Francis loves the organ so much he could think of no better place to celebrate his 80th birthday than at the Redford Theatre where he helped restore the music. Last Sunday more than 100 guests from across the country joined the Livonia man for a party which featured performances by several notable organists including Francis, Lance Luce and John Lauter.

As an officer of the Detroit Theatre Organ Society and Motor City Theatre Organ Society, Francis has devoted many years to the restoration of the Redford and Senate theaters where organ music accompanied silent films from the early 1900s until the introduction of talkies.

Francis developed his love for the instrument as a staff skater at a roller

rink in high school. His fifth organ, a 1977 Conn with 5 sets of pipes, greets visitors to the home he shares with wife of nearly 60 years, Penny. The couple met at a roller rink, married and had a son, Carl of Florida, and daughter, Nancy Pennington, who lives six blocks away from the Livonia home her parents have lived in since 1963. Nancy organized the party.

"Six, seven nights a week I heard organ music and kind of liked it so I bought a small organ and fussed around with it and then got a bigger one and a bigger one," said Francis who still plays the Barton at the Redford Theatre. "At the Senate we invite some of the top theater organists of the world to perform every month. The Motor City Theatre Organ Society is an offshoot of the Detroit group. In the early days we would rent theaters

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VAAL art show springs up at city hall

Tricia Martin of Farmington Hills won First Place for her watercolor, Emperor Qin's Terracotta Army, in the Visual Arts Association of Livonia spring exhibit. The work was inspired by the more than 7,000 life-size clay soldiers and 600 horses found during a well-digging in China in 1974. Qin Shi Huang declared himself the first emperor of China in 221 B.C.



Members of the Visual Arts Association of Livonia continue to show their work in the annual Spring Art Exhibit through May at Livonia City Hall, 33000 Civic Center Drive, east of Farmington Rd.

Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, call (248) 348-4450.

The show was judged by Gail mally-mack who teaches at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center. She selected 54 works for the exhibit which includes watercolor, oil, acrylic, pastel, and mixed media.

First place went to Tricia Martin of Farmington Hills for her watercolor, Emperor Qin's Terracotta Army. William Oliver of Northville took second place for the collage, Blue Rock, Anna Willis of South Lyon third place for the mixed media, Fledglings - Baby Blue Birds.

The Livonia Arts Commission Purchase Award went to Elizabeth Oliver of Northville for the sculpture, Interlude. Honorable Mentions were awarded to Mary Ann Adams, Ruth Cullum Luce, Tom Lyons, Loretta Neville, and Janith Rolston.

Martin's watercolor was inspired by the clay soldiers found accidentally during a well-digging in China in 1974.

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the remainder back to the donor."

The best Mother's Day gift Debra could receive would be to find a match at the drive today. Lucy Lussenden is doing everything she can to make that possible by distributing hundreds of flyers.

"I can't picture what would happen if she wasn't with us, what would happen to Regis and Jessica," said Lussenden of Livonia. "She's my only natural born daughter. I want her to live to see her daughter have children."

For now Jessica is hoping her mom will be able to watch her compete in national horse shows this summer. She fell in love with her first pony, Sassy, on a visit to Debra's father's farm, in Louisiana when she was just a girl.

"I would love to be here to watch her continue into adulthood, to see what becomes of her life and I would love to grow old with my husband and be able to

travel with him when he retires," said Debra who's been married to Regis nearly 20 years. Debra retired in March 2007 from Ford Motor Co. after 32 years. Ford is holding 11 drives in six locations. For information, employees can contact a supervisor or check with human resources to find out if a drive is planned or to schedule one.

"I would love to live a long normal life. Jessica just finished her first year of college. She was a freshman in high school when I was diagnosed, a senior when it came back.

"I hate my family has to go through this. Jessica was 14 the first time. I have yet to see her cry. They are truly my strength. I always call Regis my rock. When I get really scared he talks me down from it. Even when the news isn't really good he always finds something good. There's no way in the world I could do this without my family and friends."

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like the Redford four or five times a year for silent movies and organ music. They closed the Redford in 1972. The organ had not been used since the early '30s. We worked on getting it playable. We saved the organ at the Royal Oak Theatre too, and the Punch and Judy Theatre. Today the only theaters left with organs are the Redford, Senate and Detroit Fox. At one time there were 136 theaters with organs in Detroit.

Francis wrote a history on the theaters of Detroit after

realizing most of the members of the local organ societies were much younger than him. As yet it hasn't been published, but Francis isn't worried. He already has several books in print on his Welsh family's genealogy. Francis began visiting courthouses and towns to do research long before he retired as a business teacher at Redford and Southwestern high schools.

"I liked the organ since grade school. Nowadays they play tapes," said Penny as Gilbert played in the background. "He enjoys it and has fun with it. He likes ballads, doesn't like jazz."

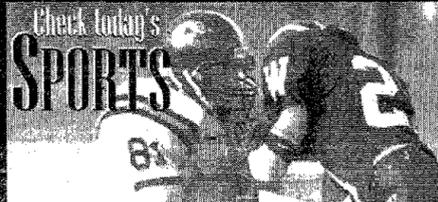
Like her father, Nancy Pennington plays organ and piano. She remembers her teenage friends who loved to stop by and hear her father play.

"I grew up with it (organ music)," said Pennington who was a substitute teacher in Livonia and Plymouth schools at the same time as her father after he retired.

"He's totally a genuine person from the heart. He always told me don't pretend to be anything you aren't, to be honest. My honesty sometimes gets me in trouble."

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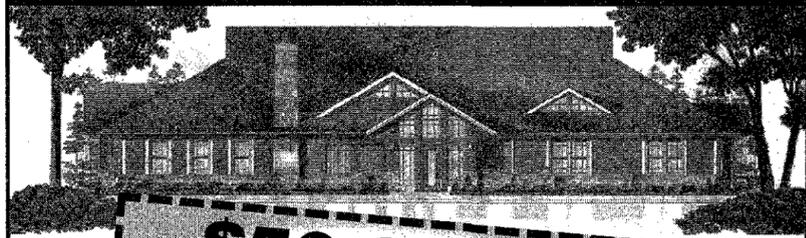
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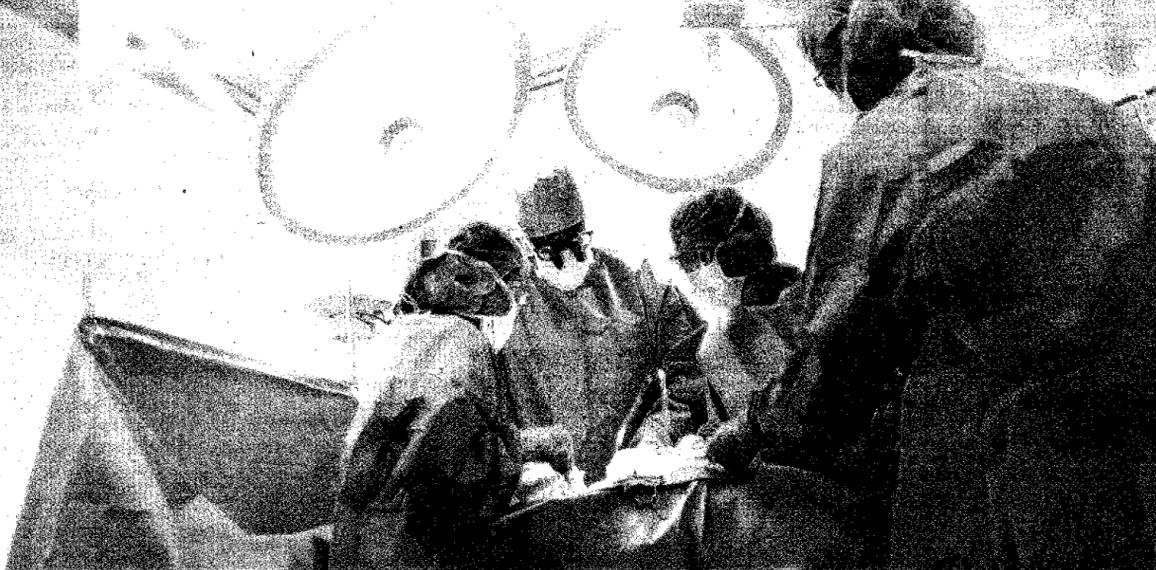
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Brighton High School
Class of 1989

Planning our 20th reunion and searching for classmates, please sign up at "yahoo groups: brighton high school class of 1989" to get more information.

Chadsey High School
Class of 1957

An Alumni Dinner will be held Saturday, Oct. 11, at American Legion Post No. 32, at 9315 Newburgh in Livonia. Contact Pat at 734-522-1284.

Clarenceville High School
Class of 1988

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Class of 1968

A 40th class reunion Oct 4, 2008. For information, contact Gail Goodall Welch, (313) 937-3477 or e-mail CHS1968Sec@yahoo.com.au.

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Class of 1963

A 45-year reunion planned Aug. 1, 2008. Father Patrick O'Kelley Hall, Dearborn. Contact Betsy Cushman at (313) 565-5972 or ecushman@com-cast.net.

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The 1958 January and June Classes of Dearborn and Edsel Ford High Schools are having a combined 50-Year Reunion on Saturday Aug. 2, 2008 at the Dearborn Country Club. Judy Richards Goerke at (313) 562-9031, Judygoerke@yahoo.com or Shirley Chiado Peters at (248) 348-

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A 40-year reunion Aug. 2, 2008, at Patrick O'Kelly Knights of Columbus in Dearborn. For more information, contact Janet Wszola Robbins at (313) 277-1418 or Susan-Taylor Szalony at (248) 348-6692.

Dearborn Fordson
Class of 1969

Planning a reunion. Please contact Kathy Nisun at (248) 363-5679 or e-mail: Kaynini@aoi.com or Kathy Shoenridge at Klivingston@nu-core.com.

Class of 1958

A 50-year reunion on Aug. 2, 2008 at Park Place. Reservations only. For information, please contact Marsha (Duzza) Movesian, (313) 277-5624, or Joyce (Anderson) Mechalko, (313) 278-4488.

Detroit Cass Tech
Class of 1958

A 50-year reunion, Oct. 11, 2008. For details, call Isabelle at (313) 882-4626 and at casstech58.com.

ENGAGEMENTS

Dzialo-Zdrodowski

Robin Zator Dzialo and Timothy Allan Zdrodowski will be married Aug. 8, 2008 at The Inn at John's in Plymouth.

Robin is the daughter of Robert and Carolyn Dzialo of Plymouth. She is a graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School, earned a bachelor's degree from Michigan State University and a law degree from the University of Detroit-Mercy. Robin is practicing law at Polce & Szuba, PLLC of Plymouth.

Tim is the son of Watson and Barb Zdrodowski of Canton. He is a graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School and holds a bachelor of science degree from the University of Michigan. He is currently teaching biology at Salem High



School and is working toward his master's degree in instructional technology from Wayne State University. The couple will honeymoon in Hawaii and make their home in Canton.

Wiener-Katz

Rebecca Pauline Wiener and Ian Michael Katz are engaged to be married.

Rebecca is the daughter of Laura Wallace of Plymouth and David Wiener of West Bloomfield. She is a 1997 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and a 2001 graduate of the University of Michigan. She is an area manager for The Buckle, a casual apparel and denim retailer.

Ian is the son of Randy Katz of Ottawa Hills, Ohio, and Nancy Katz of Sylvania, Ohio. He is a 1995 graduate of Ottawa Hills High School and graduated from Ohio State University in 2000. He received a law degree in 2003 from Syracuse University College of Law. He works as



an executive and corporate counsel at his family's Midas Auto Service Experts franchise organization. An Aug. 31, 2008, wedding is planned for Toledo, Ohio.

Kneip-Smith

Kore Lynn Kneip and Ryan Stanley Smith are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Paulette Kneip of Westland and Roger Kneip of Canton. She is a 1995 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School.

She earned her first bachelor's degree from Calvin College in Grand Rapids in 2000. In 2007 she earned a bachelor's degree in English and her teaching certificate from Eastern Michigan University. She is currently employed as a substitute teacher and part-time bartender.

The future groom is the son of Christine Smith of Canton. He is a 1996 gradu-



ate of Plymouth Salem High School. He earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Lawrence Technical University. He is currently the program manager for Production Services Management Inc. An October, 2008, wedding is planned with ceremony and reception at Lyon Oaks.

Medley-Wingereid

Mr. and Mrs. David Medley of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Jeanne Medley, to William R. Wingereid, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Wingereid Jr. of LeMont, Ohio.

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The future groom is a graduate of Ohio State University and is currently employed as a manager at Rock Bottom Restaurant and Brewery in Cincinnati.

The wedding is planned for Oct. 4, 2008, in Cincinnati.

WEDDING



Webber-Hall

Dusty Hall and Jillian Webber were married Dec. 8, 2007, at St. John's Episcopal Church in Plymouth with the Rev. Robert Miller (Jillian's grandfather) and the Rev. Dorian McGlannan officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Robert Webber of Livonia and Janice Webber of Livonia. She is a 2000 graduate of Franklin High School in Livonia and a 2005 graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn with a degree in psychology.

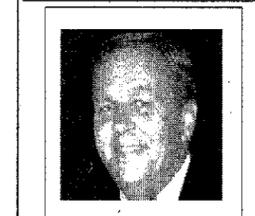
The groom is the son of Harvey and Linda Hall of Livonia. He is a 2000 graduate of Franklin High School in Livonia and will graduate in May 2008 from Wayne State University with a degree in kinesiology.

The bride was attended by Kelly Evanoff, maid of honor, Erin Webber, Karen Hall, Kacie Parm, Misty Butcher, Alexis Gay, Jennifer Schack and Elizabeth Raley.

The groom was attended by Brandon McCullough, best man, Bob Webber, Tommy Hall, Harvey Hall, Nick Evanoff, Danny Wright, John Diponio and Andy Wright. Tommy Miles was the usher.

A reception was held at Fox Hills in Plymouth. The couple honeymooned in Florida. The Halls are making their home in Novi.

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DENNIS ROBERT CARLSON, JR.

May 6, 2008. Age 62. Lifelong resident of Birmingham. Beloved father, grandfather, son, brother and uncle. His generosity and kindness will be remembered by too many to name. He loved and was loved deeply. Founder of Trutron Corporation in Troy. Past Board Director of Birmingham Country Club where he was a member for 20 years. Loving father of Samantha Stolz (Tom), Gretchen Dykema (Richard) and Dennis III (Stephanie). Adoring grandfather of Bailey, Blake, Noah, Jonah, Luke, Jason, Cassidy, Sweden, Jesse and Nicholas. Beloved son of Christabel Carlson. Brother of Ingrid DeMarco (Frank) and Eric (Gail). Preceded in death by his father, Dennis, Sr. Former husband of Sue Burnett, Lisa Kingsley and Sylvia Kempf. Family will receive friends at A.J. Desmond & Sons (Vasu, Rodgers & Connell Chapel), 32515 Woodward Ave. (btwn 13-14 Mile) Sunday 5-8pm and Monday 2-8pm. Funeral Service Tuesday 11am at Highland Park Baptist Church, 28600 Lahser Rd., Southfield. Visitation begins at church at 10am. Memorial tributes to Grace Centers of Hope, 35 E. Huron St., Pontiac, MI 48342. View obituary and share memories at: www.DesmondFuneralHome.com

EDSEL J. Carlson

Age 80, Livonia, MI, passed away May 6, 2008. Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, MI

RUTH H. CARR

April 14, 2008, age 99. Honored as a creator and co-founder of BASCC. Wife of the late Jack Carr. Dear aunt of William J. McAfee (Joan), Elizabeth Andrews and Jean Harris. Memorial service Tuesday, May 13 th., 2:00 pm at Canterbury On The Lake, 5601 Hatchery Rd., Waterford. Memorial tributes to Hospice of Michigan. A.J. Desmond & Sons, 248-549-0500. View obituary and share memories at www.DesmondFuneralHome.com

JAMES ARTHUR DIAMOND

86, of Livonia, Michigan, died May 6, 2008, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital. He was born in Wayne County, son of Arthur and Maude Diamond. Survived by brother, Ted Diamond; niece, Lynne Azzopardi and husband, Joe; nephew, Stephen Diamond and great niece, Maegan Azzopardi. A memorial service will be announced at a later date.

JUNE TALBOT HILBORN

Born June 29, 1919, passed away April 29, 2008, at the age of 88, of Birmingham. Loving mother of Roger (Jill), Thomas (Eileen) and Heidi (Chuck) Wilkinson. Dear grandmother of 8. A memorial service will be held on Friday, May 16, 2008, at 12:30pm, at the First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham, 1669 W. Maple Rd., Birmingham. We will miss you forever, although, we know you are with our father and your beloved husband, Anson. The family suggests donations to The Salvation Army or First Presbyterian Church - Playground Fund. Please sign June's online guestbook at: www.creamationmichigan.com

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MARIANA TOWER RITTER

Born on December 14, 1914 and went home to the Lord on Thursday, April 24, 2008 at the age of 93. Granddaughter of two Civil War veterans; faithful wife of Leonard Ritter, a decorated career serviceman; mother of Donald Ritter, who served his country honorably in the Army Security Agency during the Vietnam war. Her other son, Gene Ritter, preceded her in death just 4 years ago. Mariana is survived by her four grandchildren, Kacey, Michelle, Jeff, and Tasha, two great-grandchildren, Gabriel and Joey LeAnne, two daughters-in-law, and countless friends who loved her dearly. A memorial service will be held on Friday, May 16, 7:00 p.m. at Calvary Missionary Church, 29850 W. Six Mile in Livonia, Michigan. (734) 261-5050.

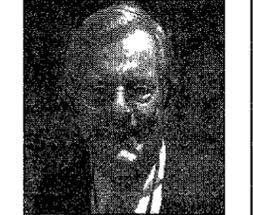


KENNETH S. STOPA, SR.

Age 60, of Canton, passed away on May 6, 2008. He was born on August 19, 1947 in Detroit, Michigan to Stanley and Sylvia (Urban) Stopa. Ken entered the United States Army in 1968 during the Vietnam War; he proudly served his country until 1970. He was united in marriage to Karen L. Woodruff on July 13, 1973 and spent 35 loving years together. Ken had a Master of Science in Hospital Administration from Concordia College. He was Senior Respiratory Therapist for Children's Hospital in Detroit. He was known as one of the best therapists mainly because he got along with everyone. Ken also was a professor at Wayne County Community College and was well respected by all of his students. A significant aspect of Ken's life was his music. He was the front man for the well known Motown group the Silvertones. Ken was not only the lead singer for the Silvertones, but he also played the guitar, saxophone, flute, and harmonica. He submitted a song to Hitsville USA. They played many weddings and special events and they are still remembered today. He is survived by his beloved wife Karen; his mother Sylvia Stopa; his children, Kelly L. Gregory, John W. Gregory, and Kenneth S. Stopa, Jr.; his sister Geraldine (Bud) Hillard; his brothers, Donald (Paula) Stopa and Duane (Billie) Stopa; and his grandchildren, Brett Gregory and Ashley Gregory. He was preceded in death by his father. A funeral service was held last Saturday at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. of Northville. Rev. Scott Crosstek with the First United Methodist Church of Brighton officiated the service. Mr. Stopa was laid to rest at Glen Eden Memorial Park in Livonia. Memorial contributions would be appreciated to the Karmanos Cancer Institute - Hospice, 4100 John R, Detroit, MI 48201-9945.

EDWARD B. WROSCH

Age 90, Farmington Hills, MI, passed away May 5, 2008. Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, MI

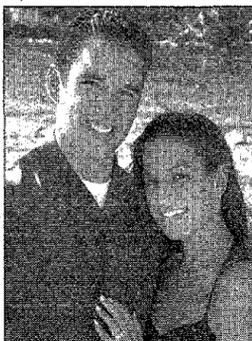


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THOMAS JOHN YOUNG

Was born on December 19, 1928 in Montreal, Quebec. He went to high school at Lower Canada College and received his bachelor's degree from McGill University. John went on to receive his master's degree at the University of Toronto. A well respected executive with Ford Motor Company, John headed up Global Paint Engineering where he was regarded as a world renowned expert in his field. John was a devoted husband, loving father and grandfather. He was an avid fisherman and loved to play golf - his highlight was getting a hole in one at the Greenbrier Golf Club in North Carolina. John passed away on May 7, 2008 in Bonita Springs, Florida, surrounded by his wife and 5 children, after fighting a long battle with Parkinson's disease. Beloved husband of Barbara. Loving father of Michael (Lucy), Tim (Lisa), Susan Grunewald (Bob), Jill Spiegall (Peter) and Heather Eller (Bruce). "TJ" was also the proud grandfather of 16 grandchildren. Brother of Katherine Waters. Family will receive friends at A.J. Desmond & Sons (Vasu, Rodgers & Connell Chapel), 32515 Woodward Ave. (btwn 13-14 Mile) Sunday 5-7pm. Funeral Mass Monday 11am at St. Owen Catholic Church, 6869 Franklin Road, Bloomfield Hills. Memorial tributes to The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research, Church Street Station, P.O. Box 780, New York, NY 10008-0780. View obituary and share memories at: www.DesmondFuneralHome.com



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Pascaretta-Schaefer

Tony and Cindy Pascaretta of Oakland Township announce the engagement of their daughter, Katie Pascaretta, to Jordan Schaefer, son of Gary and Susan Schaefer of Plymouth.

Katie graduated from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, with a bachelor's degree in April. In the fall, she will be attending the Doctor of Physical Therapy program at the University of Michigan, Flint.

Jordan received a bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. In the fall, he will be attending the medical school at the College of Human Medicine at Michigan State University.

A June 7, 2008, wedding is planned for Rochester Hills.



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Survivors sought to tell their stories

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Judith Barr is so excited about celebrating the 30th anniversary of First Step this fall, the associate director can't wait to tell the story of the agency dedicated to providing services for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault.

A number of events are being scheduled along with a booklet about the history.

It is especially important for survivors to tell their stories so Barr is looking for people touched by the nonprofit. The theme of the 30th anniversary celebration is Your Story is

Our Story. "We do have some survivors' stories, some information but we want to reach anyone connected to First Step in any way, churches who collected donations," said Judith Barr. "A women's church group has made quilts for 12 or 15 years and come with about 30 quilts a year. We'd like to hear from them, why they chose the agency, why they do it. Some people come in and give parties for our families. We want to include them."

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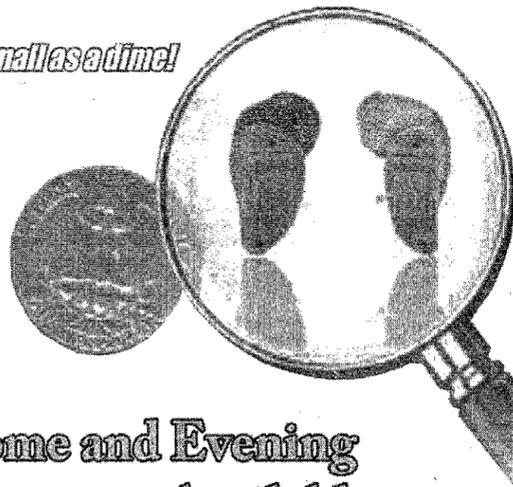
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Annual art show kicks off outdoor festivals in area

More than 100 artists from across the United States and Canada will show their works Saturday-Sunday, May 17-18 at the Village of Rochester Hills.

The fifth annual spring show, Fine Art at the Village, will feature ceramics, glass, painting, drawing, multi-media, sculpture, photography, fiber art, wood, jewelry and more. An outside panel of experts juried the entries and invited artists with the highest scores to participate in the show.

Judges also will assess the artwork during the festival and award outstanding entries.

"We believe the beautiful and relaxed atmosphere of the Village of Rochester Hills is the perfect setting to view art work of this caliber and meet the artists," stated Donna Beaubien of Troy, the festival's executive director.

"Along with enjoying the exciting fine art and fine crafts, patrons can stroll the tree-lined streets and visit the over 50 intriguing shops and restaurants. Children can enjoy the playground and participate in the free arts and crafts activities."

Costumed characters from the Michigan Renaissance Festival will interact with youngsters while supervising their art projects in the children's art area.

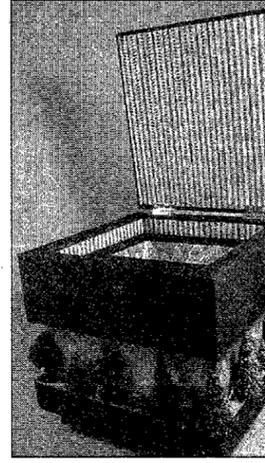


Janet Schenk of Troy will exhibit her photography at Fine Art at the Village, in Rochester Hills.

Other entertainment will include Toppermost, a Beatles tribute band; the Blackberry Creek Dancers; cool jazz by Russell Donnellon; and Super Stilt Walker.

Local artists include:

- Ceramics — Wayne Andrews of Rochester, Dennis O'Neill of Farmington Hills, and Jan Robb of Troy
- Fiber — Veronika Tobey of Rochester Hills, Judy Sledge of Troy and Barbara Scraggs of Troy
- Jewelry — Charlotte Lodico of Oakland and Michael MacManus of Bloomfield Hills
- Multi-media — Ruth Heginbottom of Troy
- Painting — Lucia Lucas of Bloomfield, Barbara Markham of Rochester, Kathy Boltz Phillips of West Bloomfield, and Harry Villalonga of Oakland Township



A one-of-a-kind mixed media art box by Ruth Heginbottom of Troy.

■ Photography — Janet Schenk of Troy
 ■ Sculpture — Rusty Voorheis of West Bloomfield
 ■ Wood — Bob Daily of Rochester Hills

A nonprofit art group, Creative Arts Council, sponsors the show.

Hours are 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Saturday and noon-6 p.m., Sunday.

The Village of Rochester Hills is located at the northeast corner of Adams and Walton in Rochester Hills.

Teen film fest focuses on environment

Teens with an interest in short films and an opinion on the environment, still have time to submit their works to the East Michigan Environmental Action Council's (EMEAC) second annual Youth Environmental Film Festival.

"This is a great opportunity for students statewide to learn about environmental problems using technology in a fun atmosphere as part of a team effort among their peers," stated Lottie V. Spady, EMEAC's director of education.

Entries are limited to five minutes and can feature live action, animation, claymation, still photography, or several other techniques. The contest is open to students, ages 13-18, and youth organizations.

Films must be suitable for viewing by all ages. All films must be labeled with its title, and the filmmaker's e-mail address and phone number. Material may be submitted in a Mini DV, Quick Time Movie File or on a DVD.

Participants must complete an application form located on EMEAC's Web site at www.emeac.org.

Entry deadline is 5 p.m., May 15, at Green Screen Film Festival, 3901 Margaret Street, Detroit, MI 48221.

The grand prize winner will receive a \$200 prize, go on location with a local director and have their film submitted nationally.

The youth film festival is slated for 9 p.m., June 2, at the Main Arts Theatre, located on Main Street, just north of 11 Mile, in Royal Oak.

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Taking that step often proves difficult. You may sense that stopping the drug will cause your pain to return, particularly because the time you must stop the drug is at least 2 weeks and may require 4-6 weeks if you are to be sure about the relationship between the medicine and the rash. However, no alternative exists as putting you on another medicine during that trial period could prove nothing if you happen to be allergic to the substitute medication also.

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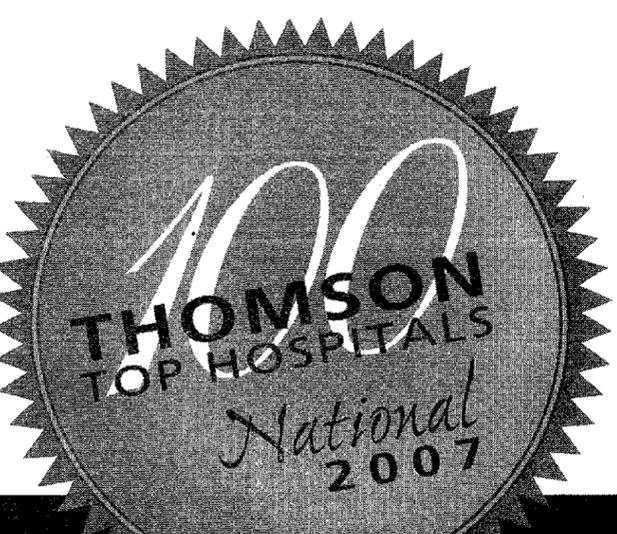
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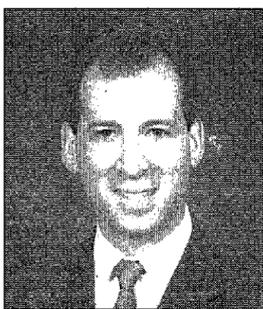
The concert will feature Cantor Frank Lanzkron-Tamarazo and Lisa Lanzkron-Tamarazo, accompanied by the Michigan Sinfonietta Orchestra, and joined by the Zamir Chorale, the Adat Shalom Choir, and the Adat Shalom Ruach Youth Choir.

Musical selections include opera, classical music, Israeli songs, musical theater favorites, and songs celebrating the 60th anniversary of the State of Israel.

Advance tickets are on sale at the synagogue during business hours or may be reserved by calling Caren Harwood at (248) 851-5100. Tickets may also be purchased at the door.

General admission is \$10. Noteworthy Contributors (\$36 per person) and Virtuoso Sponsors (\$54 per person) are invited to a "pre-glow" reception at 2:30 p.m. and will have special seating.

Cantor Lanzkron-Tamarazo has been the cantor



Cantor Frank Lanzkron-Tamarazo



Lisa Lanzkron-Tamarazo

of Adat Shalom Synagogue since June 2007. Prior to joining the Adat Shalom family, he served as cantor at Beth Hillel-Congregation B'nai Emunah in Wilmette, Ill., and as cantor and education director at Temple Beth El Mekor Chayim in Cranford, N.J.

Cantor Lanzkron-Tamarazo graduated from The Jewish Theological Seminary with a master of sacred music as well as a diploma of Hazzan. He studied philosophy at St. Johns

College in Annapolis, Md., and majored in opera studies at the Manhattan School of Music in New York City.

Cantor Lanzkron-Tamarazo has performed in recitals and concerts in New York, Illinois, Maryland and New Jersey, where he was a member of the New Jersey Cantors' Concert Ensemble. Cantor Lanzkron-Tamarazo resides in Farmington Hills with his wife, Lisa, and their three children.

Lisa Lanzkron-Tamarazo has been a musician from as

early as she can remember. After teaching herself to read music at age 4, she studied piano and violin and eventually went to the Manhattan School of Music as a violin major. During her time at Manhattan, she discovered her singing voice and, after changing her major to vocal studies, graduated with a bachelor of music in vocal performance.

She has performed in concerts and recitals in various venues, including the Donnell Public Library in New York City and the Tanglewood Music Center, where she performed in the U.S. premiere of Alexander Goehr's *Sing, Ariel* with soprano Lucy Shelton, under the direction of conductor and composer Oliver Knussen.

Lanzkron-Tamarazo homeschools the couple's three children, Max, Doris and Nicoletta.

Adat Shalom is located at 29901 Middlebelt Road, in Farmington Hills. For further information, call (248) 851-5100.

Livonia Arts Commission in search of exhibitors

The Livonia Arts Commission is still looking for exhibitors for Art From the Heart, its annual arts and crafts festival 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, June 14-15, in front of Livonia City Hall at 33000 Civic Center Drive.

Mediums include ceramics,

glass, pottery, fiber, wood, jewelry, metal, weaving, leather, photography, mixed media (2-D and 3-D), drawing, sculpture, painting, and more. Awards will be presented for Best of Show and First, Second and Third Place.

For more information, call (734) 466-2540.

Young musicians wanted

The Livonia Youth Philharmonic of Michigan is holding new member placement auditions on Saturday, May 17, at Stevenson High School in Livonia. If you have at least six months of music background, come join one of LYPM's six concert groups. The youth orchestras have openings in novice, intermediate and advanced groups plus a Flute Choir and a Saxophone Choir. To schedule an audition, call (734) 464-8704.

Three Cities to show art

Three Cities Art Club holds its annual spring Fine Arts Exhibition and Sale from noon Thursday, May 15, through 5 p.m. Sunday, May 18, during regular hours at the Canton Township Library, 1200 Canton Center Road, south of Cherry Hill.

An opening reception will be held 6-9 p.m. Thursday, May 15, with live music and refreshments.

Voting for your favorite piece automatically enters you to win

a prize, one of three gift certificates from local merchants.

In addition to fine works of art for sale, there will be art supplies, note cards, prints, and more. The event is sponsored by D & M Art Studios and Martin Miller Artist Supplies.

For more information about the event or the club, contact Marilyn Meredith weekdays at (248) 557-3800 ext. 123 or by e-mail at threecitiesartclub@hotmail.com.

Christ Our Savior to hold prayer vigil

In connection with World Day of Prayer and the Livonia Prayer Breakfast, Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church will be opening its doors to the public 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday, May 15, for a Prayer Vigil.

People are welcome to come anytime, stay as long as you

wish. It's a wonderful and moving experience to come into God's house and open your heart to God, silently praying for as long as you feel moved to. Everyone is welcome. Christ Our Savior is at 14175 Farmington Rd., north of I-96. For more information, visit www.christoursavior.org.

Couple makes Tail-Wagger walk an annual family tradition

BY SHARON DARGAY
ECCENTRIC STAFF WRITER

Karen and Doug Doyle will start their morning early, Sunday, May 18, making about 40 pizzas at their Hungry Howie's store in Clarkston.

After they deliver the pies to the 15th Annual Tail-Wagger Two Step at Independence Oaks County Park, they'll walk their dogs along the park's picturesque trails.

The routine is an annual tradition for the Madison Heights couple. They walked in the first Tail-Wagger, a fund-raiser for the Michigan Animal Rescue League, (MARL) 15 years ago and hasn't missed one since. And for 14 of those years, they've baked and supplied the pizzas for the event, which is expected to draw about 250 MARL supporters.

"We are honored to do so," Karen Doyle said. "Anything we can do to help them get revenue, we'll do. I know all of the animal shelters need help right now."

But Doyle holds a special place in her heart for MARL, located at 790 Featherstone, in Pontiac.

"I have been aware of this shelter for over 20 years. I've gotten four dogs from the rescue league. I can't say enough about the crew there. It takes so much time to work with these animals. Once they bring them in they need to socialize them and make them adoptable.

"Shelter dogs make the best dogs and that's due to the employees and volunteers."

The couple adopted a six-year-old Lab mix, Abby, and a Rottweiler mix, Ivy, 1 1/2. Doyle was so impressed by shelter manager Kayla Allen, that she named one of her first adopted dogs, a German Shepherd mix, after the woman. Another previous adoption from MARL, Shep, also was a Shepherd mix.

"People should look in shelters when they are going to adopt a pet. In this time of economic difficulty, all of the shelters are

overwhelmed."

Doyle's sister-in-law will watch Ivy and Abby while the couple make pizza the morning of the walk. Then they'll all participate in the event.

MARL supplies soda pop and hot dogs, in addition to the pizza at an after-walk picnic lunch. The organization also runs contests for most obedient dog, best dressed canine and best trick. There's also an owner-dog look alike contest.

"It's a fun day," Doyle said. "It's a beautiful park. There are dirt trails but they are well-groomed. There's a lake there with several trails going around it."

"It's very pleasant to walk." Participants ask friends or family members to sponsor them in the walk. They bring donations to the event and also may mail them to MARL by June 30.

To learn more about Michigan Animal Rescue League, visit www.michigananimalrescueleague.org.

TAIL-WAGGER TWO STEP WALK

What: The 15th annual walk raises funds for the Michigan Animal Rescue League

When: 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday, May 18

Where: Twin Chimneys picnic site at Independence Oaks County Park, 9501 Sashabaw, north of the I-75 Sashabaw Road exit, in Clarkston

Details: Teams and individuals, with or without dogs, collect pledges and walk from two to five miles through the picturesque park. Lunch will be provided. Contests and a pet adoption on site. Walkers who collect \$200 or more will receive a T-shirt. Download pledge sheet from www.michigananimalrescueleague.org

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EMERGING TRENDS IN PLACEMENT: THE WORKING RETIRED



WORKWISE
by Mildred L. Culp

Finding work is a challenge for many would-be working retirees. Like people in other age groups, they're at a loss to know:

- what specifically they can do at this point in their careers;
- how they can earn money doing it;
- who can help them; and
- where they should go to find that help.

They're looking for answers. PROJECTS
Jamie Pennington, of Atlanta's Flexible Executives, has been placing people in a variety of project-based work - consulting from management and marketing to IT, sales, finance, advertising and PR/Communications, since early 2006. People who are 55 and older comprise more than half of her firm's database, which spans 26 states. Most of them work at home after corporate or entrepreneurial careers.
"There's an anxiousness to give back," she comments. "A lot of executives have been very successful in their own right. It's much more about contributing and helping younger companies succeed. A sense of accomplishment gets people up every day. I didn't think there'd be as much interest in

getting out there and doing project-based work."
Linda Stewart, president, CEO and founder of Epoch Partners L.L.C., headquartered in Boston, fills assignments for about 600 individuals in this category for three to six months, occasionally longer, in financial services. Some of her placements are also project-based. She points out that these workers "have made their mistakes on someone else. They have no political agenda and can collaborate." Predicting that the knowledge transfer - "mentoring" - portion of her business will eventually reach 40 percent, she says that this group is "redefining the way they work." She maintains that the average life cycle of a new product or service, from concept to launch, used to be five years. That's been squeezed to fewer than 18 months. For this reason, seasoned guidance in meeting this sped-up cycle will be essential. She further observes that "accomplished professionals and executives in unprecedented numbers are looking for alternatives to employment. They still want to contribute. A lot want to be consultants but don't know how to market themselves."

ON YOUR OWN
How can you find companies like these? Stewart advises you to consider M Squared Consulting Inc., Executive Smarts L.L.C., Business Talent Group L.L.C., and Gerson-Lehrman Group. "Look for specific disciplines," she suggests, "such as accounting, IT and general management." However, the search might be difficult. Pennington indicates that areas underserved by companies like hers are public relations,

advertising and business strategy. Stewart considers "most" underserved because of the newness of the concept. Pennington advises you to look for honesty - watch out for the Web -- and speak with five or six executives using a service with which you might affiliate.

If you have relationships with executive recruiters, this isn't the time to overlook them, according to Joseph Daniel McCool, author of the industry study "Deciding Who Leads: How Executive Recruiters Drive, Direct & Disrupt the Global Search for Leadership Talent" (Davies-Black, \$27.95). "I think they'll be forced, over time, to give older, retired executives more opportunities to come back into the workforce, perhaps on a flexible schedule. . . . Retired workers usually aren't in recruiters' networks, but they would be wise to reconnect, because executive recruiters can be especially influential when it comes to reintroducing their know-how into the workforce."

Finally, look around you, close to home. Publicist Cher Murphy of Cher Murphy PR in Vienna, Va., owns a young firm after years in other companies. Her mother, Lana Atwell, fit the bill as business development director. "She is more than qualified after working more than 38 years for the government," says Murphy, "the past five of them in the Office of the Secretary of Defense. She is a great negotiator, committed and loyal to the end. It's great working with someone with the same work ethic and, even better, the one person that you know will never let you down."
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Photo: Options for the working retired are increasing. Here we see Cher Murphy of Cher Murphy PR in Vienna, Va., with her mother, Lana Atwell, whom she hired for her start-up. Experience and reliability were critical factors in Murphy's decision to hire Atwell as business development director.

company to return to and no recruiter to contact, be prepared for companies that charge monthly or subscription fees. Pennington's application fee, which includes a background check, costs \$300.
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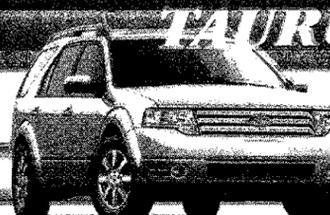
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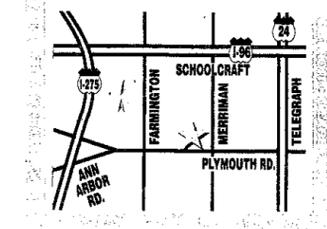
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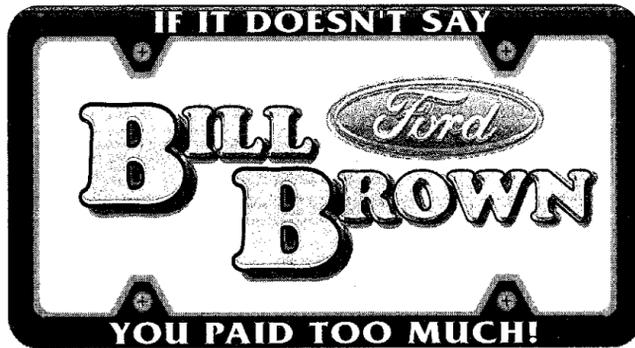
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