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## AROUND TOWN Outstanding

Wayne Memorial High School's JROTC Zebra Battalion had several of its cadets honored at the recent JROTC Leadership Challenge.

Some 600 JROTC cadets from more than 50 Michigan schools participated in the Leadership Challenge which included a week of barracks life with chow hall food, rock climbing, river rafting, marksmanship and leadership training.

At a graduation ceremony held at the conclusion of the challenge, Wayne Memorial cadets were honored nine times, according to retired U.S. Army 1st Sgt. Steven LaHaine, Wayne's senior instructor.

"In addition the four awards given to first-year cadets for being the top male or female cadet in their company, we also had three of the top cadets in the camp," said LaHaine. "When it was over, Cadet Roger Tanner was named the best male cadet in the state of Michigan and Cadet Briann Winn was named the best female cadet."

On hand for the ceremony was the general in charge of the Michigan National Guard, instructors from all the schools and hundreds of parents.

LaHaine added that it was rewarding to receive the compliments after the ceremony on behalf of the school, the city of Wayne and the district.

## Video contest

First it was a video, *Did Jesus Fart?*, that won an honorable mention in the iFartMobile Commercial Contest. Now Ekklesia, an interdenominational church in Westland, is sponsoring its own video contest.

Launched in March, the church solicited videos communicating the message, "Satan Hates Ekklesia." The top 20 videos, submitted from across the country, were chosen by the church and posted to the Web site, [www.ekkleiadetroit.com/contest](http://www.ekkleiadetroit.com/contest).

Visitors to the Web site can vote on their favorite video or videos, as well as blog about the entries until July 31. The winner, determined by the most votes, will receive a cash prize of \$700.

According to Ekklesia pastor Chris Lambert, the contest was created with four objectives in mind: to increase interest in Jesus; to break down Christian stereotypes, especially for the benefit of non-Christian followers; to develop an online community of creativity that will continue to do more projects like this in the future; and to inspire other churches to artistically proclaim the Kingdom of God in ways that will engage unreached cultures/subcultures.

# Thompson aims for full count committee

BY LEANNE ROGERS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

After sending out reminder letters to everyone who attended or those who weren't able to attend last month, Bruce Thompson is hopeful for good participation at Westland's U.S. Census Complete Count Committee meeting Monday.

"I'm hoping to pick up some of the folks who were not able to make it to the first meeting. I've sent them personal letters," said Thompson,

Westland's planning director who is serving as the CCC chairman.

The committee is gearing up to make sure everyone residing in Westland is counted in the 2010 census.

"Our goal is 100-percent participation. I'm asking Rotary, the Lions, etc., all our nonprofits and community groups to come forward to assist us," said Councilman Dewey Reeves, who attended the first meeting.

Getting an accurate count can have a financial impact on a community.

Census population figures are used to allocate much federal and state funding.

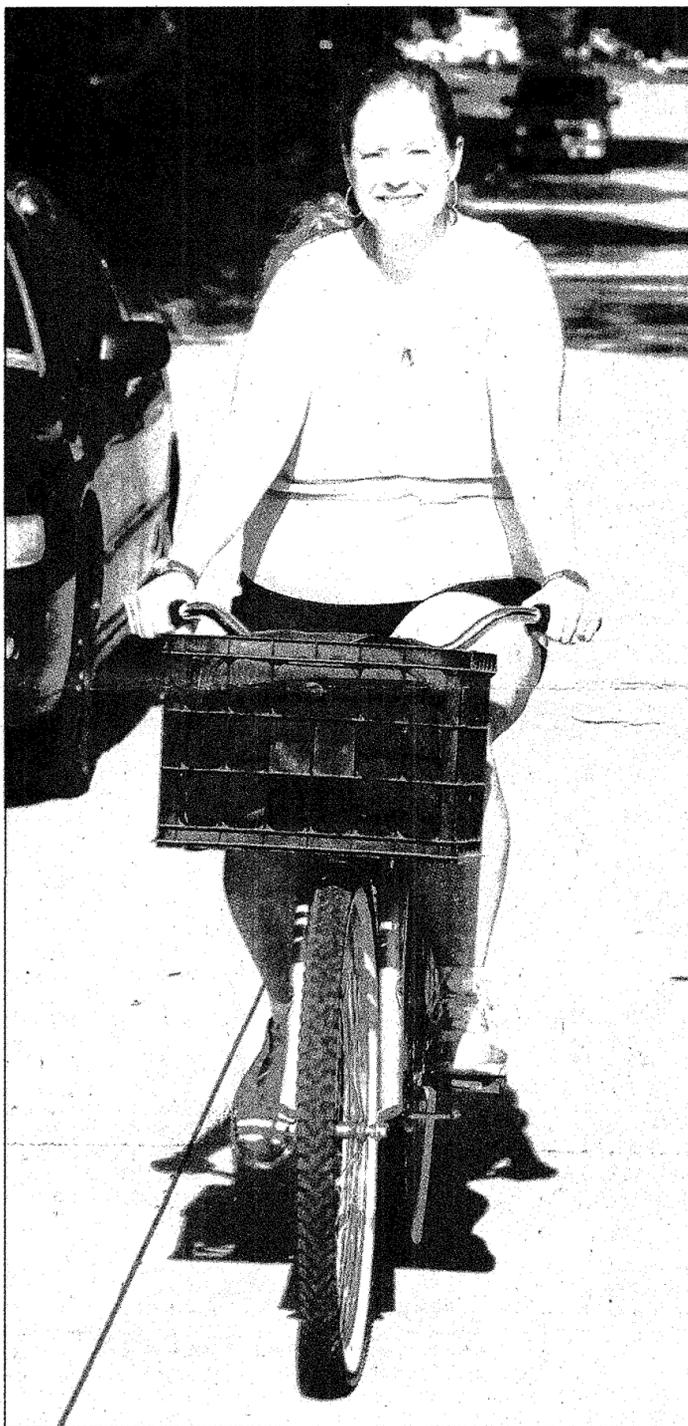
"It comes down to \$1,000 per person. It means a lot to the city," Reeves said.

Anyone interested can attend the CCC meeting, but invitations targeted a variety of service organizations and community service-related groups. Some CCC groups establish committees, but Thompson is hopeful that a strategy can be worked out without splitting into smaller groups.

"I'd like to keep it as simple as possible. The more committees, the more work you make," Thompson said. "I'd like to see us do it on a consensus basis. If committees are necessary, great, or we could work it out at the meeting. If we need another meeting, we could schedule it."

The CCC meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m. Monday in the council chambers on second floor of Westland City Hall.

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A little over year after having adult stem cell treatment in Thailand for her damaged heart, Tammy Henderson is getting in shape, riding her bicycle and walking, two things that were difficult before the procedure.

## On the mend

### Stem cell therapy helps heal ailing heart of area woman

BY SUE MASON  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Tammy Henderson can ride a bike. It might not sound like a big deal, but for a woman who was a hair's breath away from being placed on a heart transplant list two years ago, it's huge ... really huge.

To Henderson and her family, it's a sure sign that the adult stem cell therapy she had in Thailand in April 2008 is slowly repairing her severely damaged heart.

"My doctor fully believes this is working," said Henderson. "My echo showed at least a 5 percent improvement in ejection fraction — how well the heart pumps — and my heart shrunk by 3 mm, which is terrific. Usually, the heart enlarges as it gets worse."

"My oxygen level went up three points. I have been feeling really great, and I'm back to bike riding and walking," she added.

For the Garden City resident, the road to recovery started in 2007 when she and her family started fund raising the estimated \$40,000-\$50,000 needed for the stem cell therapy. She decided to try the treatment at the suggestion of her cardiologist and flew to Thailand last year where she received immature stem cells created from her own cells. The stem cells were injected by catheterization into her body close to her heart.

"It's been eight years since I had my massive heart attack and double bypass," she said. "They told me that without a transplant, I wouldn't live six months and here I am. I've improved. Up to a year ago I think I was using up my reserves, I wonder what they would say now."

A bad heart isn't all Henderson has had to deal with over the years. In 1990, she was diagnosed with stage II Hodgkin's lymphoma. She underwent radiation and chemotherapy and was cancer-free for 11

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TAMMY HENDERSON

years, when she suffered a massive heart attack July 23, 2001. Five days later, she had another attack, so doctors operated to install a heart pump. That evening, she had a mini-stroke. The next day, she had emergency bypass surgery.

In January 2002, she was told by the Henry Ford Transplant Center to start the tests and process for a heart transplant. She went through the process and was within a week of being added to the list when doctors determined she had improved her heart's pumping power by taking a CoQ10 supplement.

Kelly Moyer said her sister, who grew up in Westland and graduated from John Glenn High School, is amazing and the improvements "are exactly what we hoped for."

"In April, her family and I walked the Kensington Park path — 8.5 miles — that includes many hills, I was very impressed with her strength," Moyer said. "A couple of years ago I would have never thought that kind of experience would be possible. Her heart is getting smaller and pumping better, clear medical signs of improvement. I couldn't be more pleased."

While her heart has shown signs of healing, Henderson said she has been cured of chronic sinusitis. She used to spend \$25 month for Zyrtec, but stop taking it in April 2008.

"I have not had a sinus infection since then," she said. "I think the stem cells took care of it. That's a major extra plus."

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## CANDIDATE PROFILES

The following are the first two profiles of nine candidates for city council in the Tuesday, Aug. 4, primary



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election. Voters will decide which eight will advance to the November general election, when four terms — three four-year and one two-year — will be filled. Vying for a spot are Christine Cicirelli-Bryant, Hal Dunn, Sam Durante, Janet Frederick-Wilson, Adam Hammons, Meriem Kadi, Kenneth Mehl, Dewey Reeves and Mark Rodriguez.

## Hammons: Service is top priority

Why are you seeking a position on Westland City Council?

As a 15-year resident of Westland, I have made community service a top priority of mine. My dedication to community involvement and my commitment to the needs of the citizens of Westland have led me to seek



Hammons

public office. What qualities or skills do you believe you would bring to the council, if elected?

My experience as chairman of the Westland Planning Commission has shown that I have a proven track record to build a consensus among people

Please see HAMMONS, A2

### ADAM HAMMONS

Age: 33  
Employment: Realtor at RE/MAX Classic in Canton, seven years.  
Family: Married to Melissa; son Nolan, 18 months  
Education: Graduate of Grand Valley State University, bachelor's degree in political science, economics and history in 2000  
Community involvement: Current chairman of the Westland Planning Commission; former member of the Westland Zoning Board of Appeals. Also a member of the Westland Rotary, Westland Chamber of Commerce, Mayor William Wild's Foreclosure Task Force and Westland Mission Green.

## Bryant: Dedicated to city's growth

Why are you seeking a position on Westland City Council?

I was born and raised here in Westland. I am proud of my city, and I am dedicated to its success and continued growth. With these tough economic times upon us, I believe that I have the necessary skills and commitment to represent the residents of Westland. What qualities or skills do you believe you would bring to the council, if elected?



Bryant

As a teacher, I have the passion to help families and make a difference in my community. My work experiences have allowed me to work with a variety of people to create new and innovative ways to solve problems and achieve goals.

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### CHRISTINE CICIRELLI BRYANT

Age: 36  
Employment: Wayne-Westland Community Schools  
Family: Married to John Bryant; sons Zachary, 13, and Adler, 5  
Education: Graduated from John Glenn High School in 1991, received a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Michigan-Dearborn in 2008  
Community involvement: Currently a member of the Westland Youth Assistance Advisory Board, Rouge River Cleanup volunteer, Relay for Life participant, Goodfellows volunteer.

# Guitar to golf, Lyman Foundation works for autistic program

BY SUE MASON  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Take your pick: You can grab your clubs and head to the Hickory Creek Golf Course on Saturday, Aug. 8, or pay \$10 for a raffle ticket for a Steve Yzerman-autographed Detroit Red Wings guitar. Whatever your choice, you'll be helping the Lyman Foundation in its support of the Burger School for Students with Autism in Garden City.

"There's no funding available that we're aware of to enhance the programs at Burger," said Becky Viola, president of the Lyman Foundation. "We able to give \$10,000-\$15,000 to Burger to fund school activities."

Burger School is a program drawing students with autism from throughout Wayne County. The Lyman Foundation evolved from an annual golf outing held in honor of the late Gary Lyman. While its focus is on the autistic program offered through the Garden City Public Schools, its members come from as close as Garden City to as far away as Ann Arbor and Milford. Viola is among six foundation members that hail from Livonia.

"All of our members are just members," she said. "We all learn a lot by doing. We're not a closed organization, we're always looking for members."

On average 260 golfers turn out for the annual golf outing which, with several other fund-raisers, helps finance a Cub Scout pack, a Princess Club, track and field day, the school choir and a talent show. The foundation works col-



Lyman Foundation members Becky Viola (from left), Melanie Burkett and Donna Lober show off a customized Fender Startocaster guitar which is being auctioned off to raise money to continue the non-profit's work at the Burger Center for Students with Autism.

laboratively with the Burger Association for Students with Autism on long-term projects like renovating three teaching kitchens and refurbishing the gymnasium for the Burger program housed at the Cambridge Center. It also provides four \$500 grants to Burger staff members "to do projects that enhance the curriculum," Viola said.

This year's golf outing will be

held at the Hickory Creek Golf Course in Ypsilanti. It will have two shotgun starts — 7:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Some spots are open for the morning tee time and registrations are being accepted for the afternoon round. The outing costs \$100 per person. People interested in playing can call Sharon Lundie at (734) 728-4919.

The outing also is providing the backdrop for the guitar

raffle. Custom made by Tom Miller of Farmington Hills, the guitar features the Detroit Red Wings logo and has been signed by soon-to-be Hall of Famer Yzerman. Tickets are \$10 and are available at Fanatic U, 30409 Ford Road, Garden City. The drawing will be at 6 p.m. at the golf outing, and the winner doesn't need to be present.

Miller makes custom-

ized guitars as a hobby. He's connected to Burger School through his wife Donna, who teaches there. Working with Tom Voyles of DPI Graphics, Miller transformed a Fender Startocaster guitar into the Red Wings collectible. Voyles, also a Farmington Hills resident, is licensed to use the Red Wings logo and does most of the Red Wing graphics seen around Joe Louis Arena.

"He took the body and matched it up with a Red Wing logo," Miller said. "I striped down the guitar and painted it red or white. Most people seem to like the red with the white logo."

He got the idea for the Red Wings guitar when guitar manufacturer Fender came out with limited edition guitars for each of the NHL teams. Miller saw one and investigated how to do it.

He's done Red Wing guitars in red and in white for his daughters, who have been able to get Chris Chelios, Kris Draper and Gordie Howe to autograph them. He credits Darlene Jablonowski of Garden City with getting Yzerman to sign the guitar. Jablonowski's son Connor attends Burger and had Donna Miller as his teacher.

"She took it upon herself to take it to a game," he said. "He was in the room, she presented it to him and he said he'd be happy to do it. I think that's cool."

For Viola and her fellow foundation members, work begins in late September or early October. That's when grants start coming out and the group starts planning for its bowling fund-raiser and a family fun day. Viola admits that there's so much work to do that being on the foundation could be a full-time job.

"We're not a closed organization — we're always looking for members — but we want members who like to work," she said. "But we believe strongly in the students. That's why we do this."

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## AROUND WESTLAND

### Flea market

If you have items you're interested in selling bring them to the Westland Bowl Parking lot located at 5940 N. Wayne Road for its Outdoor Flea Market 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, July 18-19. Daily reservation rate is \$15 (does not include table) for a nine-foot by 18-foot space. Space must be reserved prior to date of event and spaces are on a first come-first serve basis. For more information, call (734) 732-6895.

### Free seminar

The public is invited to attend a free seminar on downsizing at Westhaven Manor in Westland at 1 p.m. Friday, July 24.

The seminar, "Simplify your Life: A Moving Experience," is for seniors and anyone else who would like to know how to downsize their possessions and pack their valuables. It will be held in Westhaven's Cards and Games Gallery. Refreshments will be served.

The retirement community

is at 34601 Elmwood Ave., off Wildwood north of Ford in Westland.

### In concert

There'll be a familiar face at Sunday evening's summer concert at the Performance Pavilion of the William P. Faust Public Library Sunday, July 19.

Scott Cramer, band teacher at John Glenn High School, will be directing the Novi Concert Band when it performs a variety of music, beginning at 6 p.m. Bring your own chairs or blan-

kets. In the event of rain, the concert will be rescheduled, if possible.

The library is on Central City Parkway, just north of Ford. For more information, call (734) 722-7620 or (734) 522-3918.

### Senior Olympics

The deadline is Monday, July 27, to register for the fifth annual Western Wayne County Senior Olympics. The event is scheduled for Aug. 17-21, and is being hosted by Plymouth, Plymouth Township and

Redford Township. The event includes a variety categories and competitions. Opening day festivities include the opening ceremony and breakfast with Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano.

For more information, call the Westland Senior Resources Department at (734) 722-7628.

### Fire Academy

The application deadline is Wednesday, July 22, for 2009 Citizen Fire Academy. Individuals who want to learn

more about how the Westland Fire Department is organized and operates, are invited to participate in the 32-hour program.

Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and either live or work in Westland. Sessions are approximately 3-4 hours in length and will be held on July 31, Aug. 2, 7 and 9.

For more information, visit the city website at [www.cityof-westland.com](http://www.cityof-westland.com) or contact Scott Neal of the Westland Fire Department at (734) 467-3182.

### WESTLAND CAR CARE TOWING

The following vehicles have been deemed abandoned and will be sold at public auction July 21, 2009 at 11:00 A.M. The auction will be held at Westland Car Care Towing, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, MI 48185. The vehicles will be sold as is, starting bid is for towing and storage.

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## BRYANT

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What do you see as the issues facing the city at this time?

The biggest issue facing Westland right now is the city's budget. Continued cuts in state shared revenues to the city and other decreases in city revenue will require innovative ways to cut costs while

preserving essential services.

Other priorities of mine include filling empty buildings, encouraging residents to participate in the new recycling program, working toward re-opening Central City Park and preventing blight. These are the issues many residents have expressed to me during my door-to-door campaigning.

How would you address those

issues?

I will thoroughly examine the budget to find ways of keeping essential services without raising taxes.

The number of vacant homes is on the rise. We must hold banks and property owners accountable for maintaining foreclosed property. Actively promoting all that Westland has to offer will draw in new families and businesses

creating revenue and jobs.

What do you want voters to know about you?

If elected, residents will find me accessible to them. I will be dedicated to resolving any issues to the best of my ability and they can expect that my votes will have their best interest in mind. I am eager and excited to serve my community and make a difference.

## HAMMONS

FROM PAGE A1

and that I have the ability to work well with others. My business background has given me the experience and knowledge to work with and develop budgets.

What do you see as the issues facing the city at this time?

We must maintain a balanced budget that continues to have a general fund surplus. This must be done without a reduction in essential services, such as police, fire and EMS. We must also address blight that is created by foreclosed properties and vacant commercial properties.

How would you address those

issues?

A three-year budget would make the city more fiscally responsible. We need to start analyzing our long-term cost immediately.

Continue to fully fund our police and fire departments. Stronger ordinances that levy steep fines against banks, lenders and vacant property owners who fail to maintain property.

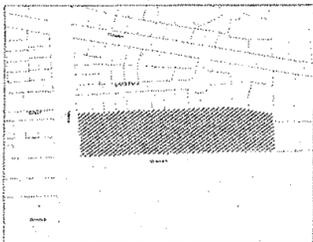
What do you want voters to know about you?

I am an honest, dedicated and an experienced leader that is committed to making the city of Westland a clean, safe and prosperous place to live. My enthusiasm, hard work and ability to think outside of the box will be a great benefit to the city and the citizens of Westland.

### CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF MEETING

A petition has been presented to the Planning Commission of the City of Westland, Wayne County, Michigan:

Case #1092G, Public Hearing for Special Land Use Approval for Proposed Yun's Village Expansion, Hunter Park Plaza, 32868 Warren Road, Parcel #011-99-0027-700, Northeast Corner of Warren Road and Venoy Road, Yun Chiue Wong.



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing of the City of Westland Planning Commission will be held at City Hall, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan at 7:30 p.m., August 4, 2009.

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Adams Hammons, Chairman  
WESTLAND PLANNING COMMISSION

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Case #1382I, Site Plan Approval for Proposed Kroger Fuel Station, Parcel #056-99-0001-724, West Side of Merriman Road, South of Cherry Hill Road, Chris Rogers (Gary M. Tischler).

Case #1531J, Proposed Land Division, Parcel 015-99-0011-702, West Side of Wayne Road, North of Warren Road, Westland Shopping Center, Andrew Wiggers (Scott M. Boggio).

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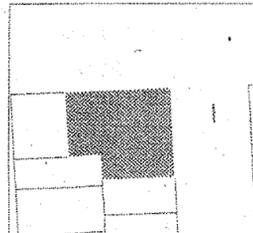
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### CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF MEETING

A petition has been presented to the Planning Commission of the City of Westland, Wayne County, Michigan:

Case #1932C, Public Hearing for Special Land Use Approval for Proposed 24 Hour Convenience Store Use, 8755 N. Middlebelt Road, Parcel #005-01-1260-000, Southwest corner of Middlebelt Road and Joy Road, Mike Saad (Jim Safiedine).



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Open Door Ministry volunteer Sue Smith packs canned goods for distribution to hungry people. She is a resident of Westland.

## Ministry finding ways to keep its doors open

BY DARRELL CLEM  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A Canton food bank has found a way to continue serving hundreds of financially troubled families, including Westland residents, as its leaders work with township officials to address building-code problems.

Open Door Ministry, spearheaded by Canton-based Connection Church, has initiated a plan officials hope will ease any lingering fears of whether the food bank will survive.

"Things are moving quite rapidly in a favorable direction," ministry Director Steve Darr said.

Until the organization can fix dozens of building issues, it has halted its practice of having families come inside

the building — a former cardboard factory on Lilley south of Michigan Avenue — to pick up their donated food.

Instead, families drive up near a garage door, and volunteers standing outside use a two-way radio to place an order that is brought from inside the building to the waiting recipients.

It's essentially a drive-through service, Darr said. "They don't come in the building."

Open Door provides food for about 320 families — or around 1,000 people — every Thursday. It has put other services, such as job-hunting assistance and a clothing bank, on hold for now.

The ministry already has taken certain steps to address building problems,

such as having its fire extinguishers certified, tearing down old interior walls and ripping out aging stairways that didn't meet township codes, Darr said.

Open Door also has initiated plans to improve and mark its exits with proper lighting, and Darr said the organization is exploring with township officials all the steps that may be required before people can be allowed to congregate inside the building.

"That's still being worked out," he said.

Township officials were stung by earlier concerns that they might shut down Open Door Ministry, saying that was never their intention. Rather, they said they simply wanted to work with ministry leaders to fix building-code problems and

ensure a proper certificate of occupancy.

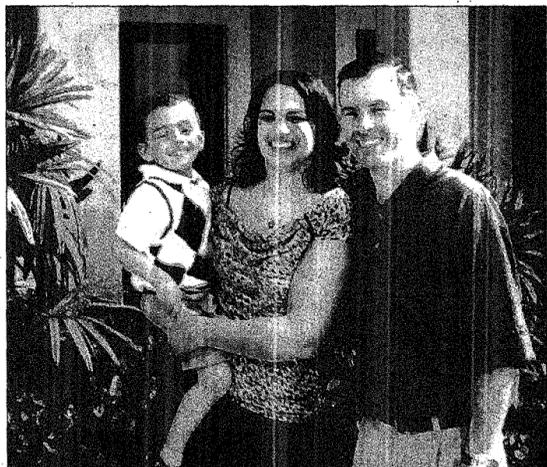
To that end, the township even found an architect firm to work without pay to help the ministry address the issues.

"We're doing everything we can to assist them," township Supervisor Phil LaJoy said Thursday, adding that Open Door Ministry provides a "very important" service to people struggling with basic necessities.

Darr remains hopeful the entire situation could be resolved within two to four months, although he couldn't say with certainty.

LaJoy had previously said that while there may be obstacles, "we think we can work through those."

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The Fletcher family, son Drew, Stephanie and Don.

## E-newsletter winner off to see Beyonce

Stephanie Fletcher, a computer systems administrator from Plymouth, won the Hometownlife.com Beyonce ticket contest and received two tickets to the July 18 show at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

"Wow I can't believe that I won something and Beyonce at that!" said, Fletcher.

Fletcher, pictured with husband Dan and son Drew, 3, signed up for our new E-newsletters at Hometownlife.com in the first days of the contest and waited to see who would win the random drawing with hundreds of other readers. Fletcher — a subscriber to the *Plymouth Observer* for the past three years — was randomly selected Friday.

The Beyonce tickets have been awarded but there are plenty more concerts this summer so the contest goes on.

*Garden City* and *Westland Observer* readers still have a chance to win tickets to Dave Matthews Band, Randy Travis, American Idols Live and the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

Anyone who signs up for our new E-newsletter will be entered into a random drawing for two tickets to one of the concerts. Drawings will take place a week before each show. The DSO's Tchaikovsky Spectacular is July 25 at Meadow Brook Music Festival so hurry and sign up for a chance to win.

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## HENDERSON

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Henderson still gets a call from Thailand every few months to see how she is doing and keeps in contact with other patients on Facebook and MySpace on the Internet. People also contact her to "see what my opinion" is about stem cell therapy.

And she still receives donations. Recently, a couple sent her a check for \$200 and postage stamps. The message was simply, "Do something nice with your family." Henderson set the envelope aside, but said she now knows what she will do with the money — take a vacation to the Wisconsin Dells and maybe a trip to Frankenmuth.

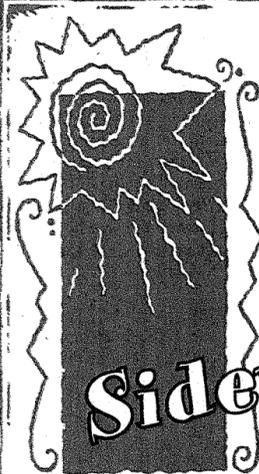
"I haven't been on a real vacation with my family for years," she said. "In the past I didn't want to be to far from Henry Ford Hospital. You never know, especially with your heart. I was afraid to go to far away."

Moyer hopes that some day the stem cell therapy will be available in the United States. Her sister said there's a possibility it could be done at Henry Ford within a year.

"I pray that this treatment will be available in the U.S. as soon as possible," Moyer said. "For someone sick to have to travel around the world for treatment is just absurd, especially living in the U.S. We live in the best country in the world, it doesn't seem right."

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# PUBLIC SAFETY

## Police hope 'black box' will answer questions

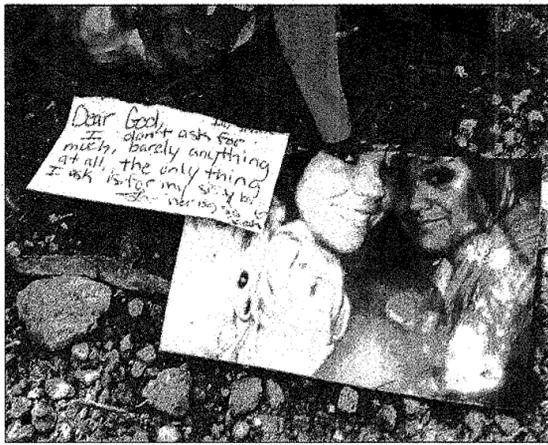
BY BRAD KADRICH  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Canton Police won't be completely finished this week with the investigation into the train-car collision that killed five young people July 9 — for instance, toxicology reports are still likely weeks away — but investigators are hoping to have a lot more answers.

One key source of potential information, according to Canton Police, is the "black box" from the Ford Fusion driven by Daniel Broughton, who tried to beat a 530-ton Amtrak passenger train across the railroad crossing on Hannan.

Police sought a search warrant for the box, a move that became necessary, Canton Police Department spokesman Sgt. Mark Gajeski explained, once the car was removed from the accident scene. The car, which belongs to Broughton's mother, Donna Broughton of Woodhaven, was taken to Westland Car Care Center.

Surveillance video taken by a nearby company showed Broughton passing a white SUV already stopped at the tracks, where video and witness accounts say the gates were down and lights were flashing. The train struck the



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A makeshift memorial is at the Hannan Road railroad crossing where five young people died.

Fusion as it tried to cross.

What the video doesn't show is whether Broughton attempted to slow or at what speed he was traveling, questions Gajeski said police hope the black box will answer.

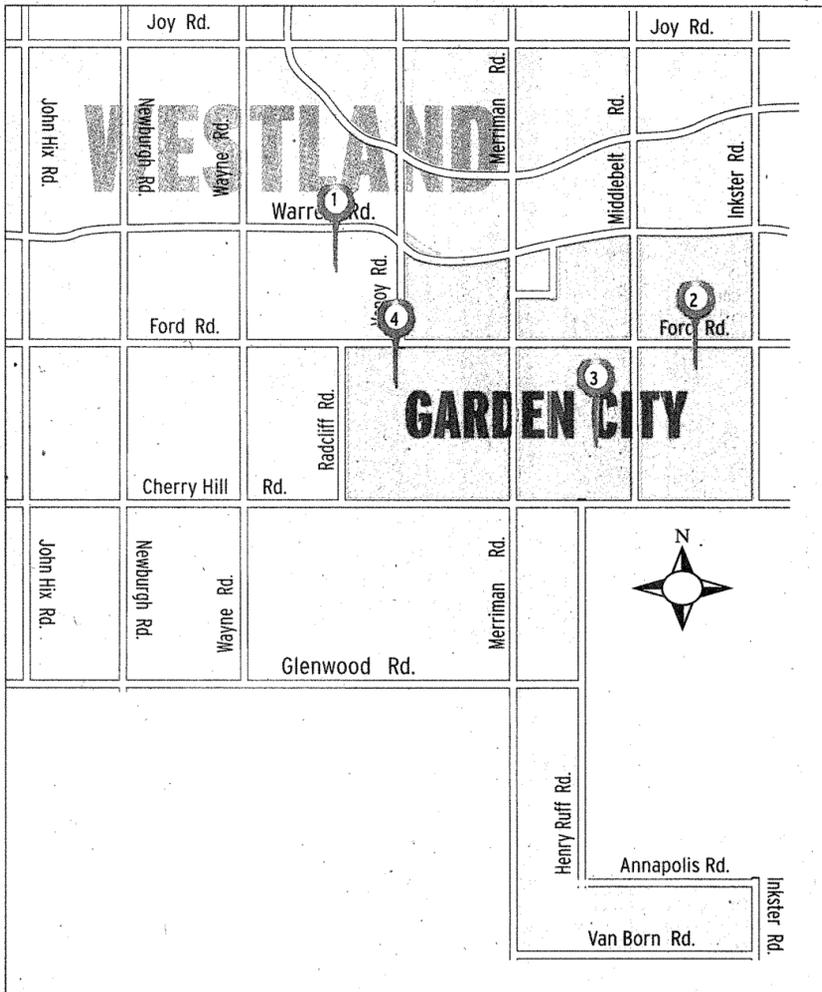
"Right now, we're waiting for that box," Gajeski said. "Hopefully, they'll be able to download the data from it."

The medical examiner's report, which will come when toxicology results are in, should show whether alcohol or drugs were a factor. Gajeski

said at the scene the day of the accident there was "nothing to indicate" anything of that nature.

Published reports have since said Broughton, 19, was hurrying to avoid being late for work. Killed with him in the accident were Jessica Sadler, 14, of Wayne; brothers Sean Harris, 19, of Taylor and Terrence Harris, 21, of Stafford, Va.; and Eddie Gross, 17 of Taylor.

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## Teens robbed of cell phones, money

### Armed robbery

Police were called to an apartment in the 7000 block of East Bonnie just after 3 a.m. July 10 when two teens reported being robbed at gunpoint.

The pair, a 16-year-old Westland resident and a 15-year-old from Garden City, told officers they were in the parking lot waiting for a ride when a vehicle pulled up and two men exited. The men approached and one ordered them to empty their pockets, the teens told the officers.

The teens each reported a cell phone stolen and one also said \$10 had been stolen.

The two told the officers that the men, one of whom was carrying what appeared to be a gun covered with a red rag, got back into a vehicle driven by a third man and containing a female passenger.

### Property damage

A surveillance tape at Chase Bank, 28925 Ford, caught a man defacing the building with what Garden City police described as vomit placed in a plastic bag.

Bank security, a bank employee and the police were able to identify the culprit as a 52-year-old Dearborn Heights man.

The tape showed the man carrying the foul smelling liquid material about 11 p.m. July

8, which was poured in the vestibule near the ATM machine. He also poured the substance on the ATM machine and on its keyboard and made an effort to squish more of under the door.

The tape also showed the man returning later to the bank with a woman to presumably show her what he did. The police located the bag in a nearby bush.

The bank employee said that a lot of time was spent trying to clean up the damage. He said the entire ATM machine may have to be replaced.

### Home invasion

A resident in the 29500 block of Sheridan returned home July 10 after a two-day vacation to find his TV and some cash gone. The police were investigating who had keys or access to the home during that time.

### Larceny

When an 81-year-old man went to pick up a pizza at 3:30 p.m. July 6, he noticed that the grill on his 1988 Mercury Marquis was missing. He was parked in the Kroger lot at 5866 Middlebelt.

### Vandalism

The owner of a 2003 Ford Taurus who lives in the 33200 block of John Hawk told

police someone shattered the car window July 8.

He said that he has had troubles with juveniles in his neighborhood in the past who have egged his property and who pound on his doors, according to the police report.

### Larceny

A resident in the 29500 block of Florence said that on July 12 someone stole some amplifiers from his 1995 Dodge Dakota that was parked in his driveway.

There was no signs of forced entry.

### Expired plate

When the police stopped a 21-year-old Dearborn driver July 13 at Marquette and Middlebelt because he had an expired plate on his Nissan Altima, they also learned that his license was suspended and he had warrants out of Redford and Dearborn.

### Larceny

A thief stole items from two vehicles parked July 13 in the driveway in the 33000 block of Donnelly. Change was taken from a 1993 Ford Taurus and an iPod was taken from a 2007 Ford Explorer.

— By Staff Writers LeAnne Rogers and Sue Buck

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**9-pin tournament**  
The Sgt. Romanowski VFW 6896 of Westland is holding a 9-Pin tournament beginning at 7 p.m. Saturday, July 25, at Oxford Lanes in Dearborn. Check-in 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$20 per person and includes three games of bowling and jackpots. There also will be 50/50 drawings. For more information, contact Brillo or Kathy Coleman at (734) 525-9454.

**School registration**  
St. Damian School is accepting students for the 3-4-year-old preschool program as well as students in kindergarten through eighth-grade. The school is fully accredited by MNSAA, with certified, experienced teachers, hot lunch program and many other school programs and extracurricular activities. A licensed morning and afternoon latchkey is available. School tours are available upon request. St. Damian School is at 29891 Joy in Westland. Call (734) 427-1680 for more information or visit the school's website at [www.stdamian.com](http://www.stdamian.com).

**Crafters needed**  
St. Theodore CCW has table rental available for \$25 for its Fall Craft Show 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10, at the church, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. Contact Mary at (734) 425-4421 (voicemail 10) or Mary Ellen at (734) 261-8821. No vendors.

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

**Free workshop**  
A free healthcare workshop, "The Salt Conspiracy," will be held 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday, July 16, at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile between Merriman and Farmington Road. Remember how good salted food used to taste? Can you live without salt? Find out who "redefined" salt, and why. The guest speaker will be Dr. William H. Karl, a certified wellness doctor with over 28 years of experience in helping people build healthier lives. The workshop co-sponsored by the Foundation for Wellness Professionals, a non-profit organization. Call (734) 425-8588 to reserve a seat.

**Wellness Academic Pathways**  
Academic Pathways Cooperative Preschool, at 30330 Schoolcraft, Livonia, will host open houses 10 a.m. to noon Tuesday, July 14, 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 20, and Thursday, Sept. 3. The preschool has a three-year-old program that runs 9:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday and a four-year-old program that runs 9:30-11:30 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Potty training is not required. Low cost tuition available. For more information, visit the Web site at [www.academicpathwayspreschool.com](http://www.academicpathwayspreschool.com) or call (734) 261-9540.

**Class reunions**



**Free voice lessons for women**

Voices in Harmony, a 55-member women's cappella chorus from Ypsilanti, is offering free voice lessons to women 7-8 p.m. Tuesdays, July 21-Aug. 11, at the UAW Local 898, 8975 Textile Road, Ypsilanti. All women welcome. Affiliated with Sweet Adelines International, Voices in Harmony sings four-part cappella harmony arranged in the barbershop style. Westland resident Barb Williams sings with the chorus. A recent competition in Cleveland awarded her a third-place medal in the mid-size division, a fifth-place medal overall and the Most Improved Chorus award. For more information, visit the chorus website at [www.singwithus.org](http://www.singwithus.org) or call (734) 480-8843.

Members of Garden City High School's Class of 1989 need to buy their tickets now for 20th class reunion 6 p.m. to midnight Aug. 29 at Joy Manor in Westland. Tickets are \$75 and include dinner, premium open bar, DJ, door prizes, picture CD and other gifts. Tickets are available for purchase at [www.gardencity89.com](http://www.gardencity89.com) or by contacting Paula at [gchsi989reunion@hotmail.com](mailto:gchsi989reunion@hotmail.com).  
Wayne Memorial Class of 1983 will hold its 26th class reunion noon until dark Saturday, Aug. 29, at Independence Lake Park in Whitmore Lake. The reunion is a family-friendly pot luck event, bring the kids. A donation of any amount - \$5-\$10 suggested per family - is suggested to cover the cost of pavilion rental. For details, call Mary Gills Orwin at (734) 968-6368.

**Fish Dial-A-Ride**  
Fish Dial-A-Ride of Western Wayne County is seeking volunteer drivers. A nonprofit community service group, it provides door-to-door rides to non-emergency medical and other necessary appointments for senior and disabled residents of Garden City, Livonia and Westland who are unable to drive and have no alternative transportation. Volunteers can specify days, times, and areas they're willing to drive. For additional information, call (888) 660-2007 and leave a message.

**Higher Rock Cafe**  
The Wayne-Westland Salvation Army presents the Higher Rock Cafe the second and fourth Fridays of the month at its facility at 2300 Venoy, south of Palmer, Westland. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Live bands perform beginning at 8 p.m. Admission is free, however, a free will offering will be taken to support the bands. Check out Higher Rock on the Web at [www.tsa.higherrockcafe.4t.com](http://www.tsa.higherrockcafe.4t.com) or call (734) 722-3660.

**FOR SENIORS**

**Friendship Center**  
The Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center), 1119 N. Newburgh, Westland, offers a variety of programs for older adults. The Web site [www.ci.westland.mi.us](http://www.ci.westland.mi.us) offers more information. Call (734) 722-7632.

**Dyer Center**  
The Wayne-Westland school district's Dyer Senior Adult Center offers activities Monday-Thursday at the center, on Marquette between Wayne and Newburgh roads. Mondays, Senior Chorus at 1:30 p.m.; Tuesdays, arts, crafts and needlework at 9:30 a.m.; Wednesdays, kitchen band, 10 a.m., bingo at 1 p.m.; Thursdays, ceramics, arts, crafts at 9:30 a.m.

**Senior fitness**  
Seniors can get in shape through some programs offered at the Maplewood Center. The Senior Fitness Room is open 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

weekdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday. Annual membership is \$50 per year or \$1 for a daily pass. Aerobic classes are held 8:45-9:45 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday.

**FOR YOUR HEALTH**

**Advocacy group**  
The Wayne-Westland Alliance for the Mentally Ill, a self-help and advocacy group, meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Thursday of the month at St. John's Episcopal Church, 555 S. Wayne Road, at Bayview, Westland. Call (734) 362-8825.

**Substance abuse support**  
A SAFE PLACE meets at 7 p.m. Thursdays in the Fellowship Hall at Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman, Garden City. A SAFE PLACE is based on the Alcoholics for Christ program. For more information, call Russ Weathers at (734) 422-1995.

**Menopause & More**  
A Menopause & More support group for women meets 7-9 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month in Classroom 2 of the west addition of the Marian Women Center of St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. No registration is necessary, and the group is free of charge. Call (734) 655-1100.

**Counterpoint**  
Counterpoint Shelter and Crisis Center offers free counseling and respite services for people ages 10-17 and their families. For more information, call (734) 563-5005.

**Toughlove**  
A Toughlove support group meets 7:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Northwest Wayne Skill Center, Ann Arbor Trail between Merriman and Farmington roads. Newcomers welcome. Call (734) 261-7880 or (248) 380-7748.

**Willow Creek**  
Willow Creek Cooperative Preschool is currently accepting enrollment in its Parent/Tot, Young 3's, 3-year and 4-year programs. Willow Creek is located at 36660 Cherry Hill in Westland. For more information, call the preschool at (734) 326-0078.

**St. Damian**  
St. Damian Catholic School at 29891 Joy, Westland, offers preschool for 3-4-year-olds and full day kindergarten through grade 8. For more information or to schedule a tour, call (734) 427-1680 or check out the school's Web site at [www.stdamian.com](http://www.stdamian.com).

**YWCA preschool**  
The YWCA of Western Wayne County's Education Department offers quality preschool programs to children aged 2-5 years old at no cost to most families. There are many locations available throughout the community. Home-based programs are also available. For more information on these programs, or to enroll your child, call

the YWCA's Education Department at (313) 561-4110, Ext. 10.

**VOLUNTEERS**

**First Step**  
First Step, which has been active in the effort to end domestic violence and sexual assault in western Wayne County and Downriver communities for more than 20 years, is looking for volunteers. Interested people must be at least 18, willing and able to travel to the Downriver area and complete a 55-hour training program. Call (734) 416-1111, Ext. 223.

**Drivers**  
Volunteer drivers are needed to transport area residents to meetings of the Western Wayne Parkinson's Disease Support Group. The meetings take place 7-9 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month in the Livonia Senior Center, Farmington Road south of Five Mile. Drivers may attend the meetings. Call (734) 459-0216 or (734) 421-4208.

**VNA Hospice**  
Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan's (VNA) hospice program needs volunteers to comfort and support patients at the end of life. Volunteers can provide companionship, write a memoir, provide respite for family or work as office support. A free 18-hour training program is provided at the VNA headquarters, 25900 Greenfield Road, Suite 600. Registration is required. (248) 967-8361 or visit [www.vna.org](http://www.vna.org).

**Seasons Hospice**  
Seasons Hospice and Palliative Care is looking for volunteers to provide companionship to patients dealing with life limiting illness. No special skills, other than objectivity and compassion, are needed. Training provided. Volunteers are matched with patients in their own community. For more information please call Ruth at (800) 370-8592.

**Literacy Council**  
The Community Literacy Council (CLC) is looking for volunteer tutors in Western Wayne County to help adults improve their reading, writing and communication skills. The CLC will provide training to interested volunteers. Previous experience or a bachelor's degree is not required. The council will provide free training and materials, and then match you with an adult student in your area. Call (734) 416-4906 for more information.

**Heartland Hospice**  
Heartland Hospice is looking for caring and dedicated people with an interest in serving terminally ill patients and their families in Washtenaw, western Wayne, Monroe and Livingston counties. Volunteers provide a variety of services including companionship, light housekeeping, errand running, grief support and

clerical services. For more information, contact volunteer coordinator Candice Jones, (888) 973-1145.

**ORGANIZATIONS**

**Friends of Eloise**  
The Friends of Eloise meets at 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month (except July, August and December) at the Collins House in the Westland Historic Village Park, on Wayne Road between Marquette and Cherry Hill. For information, call Jo Johnson (734) 522-3918.

**Writing Group**  
Story Circle Women's Life Writing Group meets at 7 p.m. the second Wednesday of every month at the Wayne Public Library, 3737 S. Wayne

Road, Wayne. The Story Circle Network is made up of women who want to explore their lives and souls through life-writing, writing that focuses on personal experience through memoirs and autobiographies, in diaries, journals and personal essays. Participants should bring a notebook or laptop computer to each meeting to spend some time writing, and for those who are comfortable doing so, sharing their writing. Membership in Story Circle's National Network is optional. Participation in the group is free. For more information about story circle, go online to [www.storycircle.org](http://www.storycircle.org) or send an e-mail to [shepry@yahoo.com](mailto:shepry@yahoo.com).

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

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

**Citizens for Peace**  
Citizens for Peace meets at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at Unity of Livonia Church on Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster. The group is dedicated to working for creation of a U.S. Department of Peace. All are welcome. Colleen Mills, (734) 425-0079.

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

**CITY OF WESTLAND  
PRIMARY ELECTION  
AUGUST 4, 2009**

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF WESTLAND, County of Wayne: Notice is hereby given that a Primary Election will be held in the City of Westland on Tuesday, August 4, 2009 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. at which time candidates of the following offices will be voted upon: **City Council - Vote for not more than four (4): Christine Cicirelli Bryant, Hal Dunn, Sam Durante, Janet M. Frederick-Wilson, Adam Hammons, Meriem Kadi, Kenneth E. Mehl, Dewey K. Reeves, Mark A. Rodriguez. A field of nine (9) candidates to be narrowed down to eight (8) candidates who will proceed to the General Election Ballot**

The places of voting for the Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, August 4, 2009, will be as follows:

Precincts	Locations
1 & 19	Madison School, 1075 S. Carlson
2 & 32	Kettering School, 1200 Hubbard
3 & 7	Stottlemeyer School, 34801 Marquette
4 & 8	Patchin School, 6420 Newburgh
5 & 29	Edison School, 34505 Hunter
6	Adams Middle School, 33475 Palmer
9	Jefferson School, 32150 Dorsey
10	Lincoln School, 33800 Grand Traverse
11 & 23	Elliott School, 30800 Bennington
12 & 25 & 35	Cooper School, 28550 Ann Arbor Trail
13 & 18	Schweitzer School, 2601 Treadwell
14	Marshall Middle School, 35100 Bayview
15	Greenwood Villa, 7600 Nankin Ct
16	Holiday Park Club House, 34850 Fountain Blvd.
17 & 37	P. D. Graham School, 1255 S. John Hix
20	Wildwood School, 500 N. Wildwood
21 & 42	Johnson School, 8400 Hix
22	Westland Meadows Club House, 30600 Van Born
24	Lutheran High School Westland, 33300 Cowan
26 & 33	Hamilton School, 1031 Schuman
27 & 36	Western Wayne Skill Center, 8075 Ritz
28	Church of Christ - Annapolis Park, 30355 Annapolis
30 & 31	Hayes School, 30600 Louise St.
34 & 38	Dyer Social Service Center, Senior Wing - 36745 Marquette
39	Landings Apartment Club House, 7000 Lakeview
40 & 41	Hellenic Cultural Center at St. Constantine Church, 36375 Joy

The polls for said election will be open at 7:00 a.m. and will remain open until 8:00 p.m. on said day of election. Every qualified elector present and in line at the hour prescribed for the closing thereof shall be allowed to vote. Voting sites are ADA compliant.

Eileen DeHart, CMC  
Westland City Clerk

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE**

Pursuant to state law a sale will be held at: Secured Self Storage, 12851 Inkster, Livonia, MI, July 25 @ 10:00 AM.  
#1174 Jalal Marzoug  
#2115 Stephanie Schaft  
#3121 Nicholas Meyer  
#3156 Damon Washington  
#4114 Mallory Lawlar Jr  
Units contain: misc. household items.  
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**CITY OF WESTLAND  
NOTICE TO THE ELDERLY  
AND DISABLED VOTERS  
CITY OF WESTLAND PRIMARY ELECTION  
August 4, 2009**

Absent voter ballots are available through the Westland City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan for those persons that are physically unable to attend the polls or are 60 years of age or older. The voter, before the issuance of a ballot, must complete an application for ballot.

There will be ADA compliant equipment for use at every polling place.

The last day to apply for a ballot by mail is Saturday, August 1, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. Persons qualified to vote absentee may vote in person in the City Clerk's Office until 4:00 p.m. on Monday, August 3, 2009.

Eileen DeHart, CMC  
Westland City Clerk

**CITY OF WESTLAND  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION**

On July 21, 2009, the Westland Police Department will conduct a public auction of impounded, abandoned vehicles. The auction will begin promptly at 11:00 am at Westland Car Care, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

YEAR	MAKE	BODY STYLE	COLOR	VIN
1994	Honda	Sap/Moped	White	3H1AF1618RD003596
2000	Chevy	Lumina/4 Dr	Blue	2G1WL52J9Y1126502
1993	Ford	Bronco/SW	Brown	1FMEU15N4PLB29965
2005	Zongshen	Moped	Red	LZSTCBPD551900241
1996	Ford	Taurus/4 Dr	White	1FALP52U2TG246104
1993	Ford	T-Bird/2 Dr	White	1FAPP6248PH188975
1991	Mercury	Sable/4 Dr	Tan	1MECM50U6MA620738
1994	Chrysler	Concorde/4 Dr	Brown	2C3EL56F1RH280272
1999	Dodge	Caravan/Van	Purple	2B4FP2531XR209961
1988	GMC	Vandura/Van	Black	2GTEG25Z8J4517720
1997	Pontiac	Grand Prix/4 Dr	Green	1G2WJ52K9VF234472
1991	Plymouth	Voyager/Van	White	1P4GH54RXMX519806
1994	Ford	T-Bird/2 Dr	Black	1FALP62W5RH180853
1984	Olds	Cutlass/2 Dr	Gold	1G3AM47A5EM366678

All vehicles are sold in "as is" condition. Bidding on all vehicles will start at the amount due for towing and storage. Vehicles may be deleted from this list at any time prior to the start of the auction.

**30 DAY NOTICE OF AUCTION**  
Due to unknown ownership, 30 day notice is hereby given that the vehicle(s) listed below will be auctioned after August 15, 2009 unless it is claimed by the owner prior to that time.

YEAR	MAKE	BODY STYLE	COLOR	VIN
1994	Pontiac	Grand Prix/4 Dr	White	1G2WJ52M5RF207471

# Loyalty, love not part of investment equation

It's hard to believe that in six weeks General Motors declared bankruptcy, developed a reorganization plan, had the plan accepted by the creditors and now has become the new General Motors.



Money Matters

Rick Bloom

The new GM is supposedly leaner and meaner and better able to compete in the worldwide economy. Hopefully, this will be the case, however, it is still too early to tell. After all, worldwide the entire auto industry is experiencing difficulties and the new GM will undoubtedly face certain challenges.

While in some ways the new GM looks the same as the old yet in other ways it will be totally different. One way is ownership. One new owner — the U.S. government — has received very little publicity. The U.S. government owns a majority of the new company. In addition, the Canadian government, along with the United Auto Workers Health Trust, will also be major shareholders in the new General Motors.

The fact that governments are now the major shareholders will certainly have an effect, good or bad, on how the company is managed.

You may be asking what happened to all the individual shareholders that owned General Motors stock before it went into bankruptcy. The short answer is they received nothing from their investment. Their investment in the old GM is worthless and they have no ownership interest in

the new company.

Lost in the discussion of the General Motors bankruptcy has been the individual shareholder. The individual shareholder virtually had no rights in the bankruptcy.

I believe it is important to understand what happened to the individual shareholder because, unfortunately, too many individuals continued to retain GM stock even as its finances continued to fail, not

because they thought it was a solid investment but out of loyalty. Loyalty is a great attribute in many situations. However, as an investor loyalty should not factor into the decision making process. Your investments don't love you, so you shouldn't love them.

Never forget we invest money to make money. That concept should be the guiding light when it comes to investing. Unfortunately, many investors

forget about that and let other things such as loyalty enter into the equation. The result is that investors who were loyal to GM now find their investment is worthless. They have no ownership interest in the new company and all they will receive is a tax write off.

The fact that shareholders will have no interest in the new GM is not surprising. It wasn't too long ago the same thing happened to Kmart shareholders.

Investors have to realize that in a bankruptcy preceding the shareholder is last in line. When a publicly held company declares bankruptcy, shareholders will not benefit.

Whenever you buy a stock and invest in equities there is a risk that if the company does run into financial difficulty, your investment may become worthless. This is a risk that every investor has to accept. After all, if it can happen to GM, it can

happen to any company.

Even though investors cannot prevent companies from going into bankruptcy, they need to be monitor their investments. Loyalty should not be a consideration in deciding to sell.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. Observer & Eccentric readers can submit questions at [moneymatters@hometownlife.com](mailto:moneymatters@hometownlife.com). For more information, visit Rick's Web site at [www.bloomassetmanagement.com](http://www.bloomassetmanagement.com).

## Complex to host Special Olympics

Athletes from around the state will gather this weekend when the 2009 Special Olympics Michigan State Summer Sports Classic tees off Friday and Saturday.

The golf competition is set for Friday at the Pine View Golf Course in Ypsilanti, with the softball competition set for Saturday at the Canton Softball Complex.

The golf competition will involve a nine-hole course play, including an individual skills contest and a Unified format, which involves Special Olympics athletes participating on the same team with non-Special Olympics players.

It's the 19th straight year Canton Softball Complex has been the home of the Special Olympics Michigan State Softball Tournament.

Competition for both days begins at 8:30 a.m. The two-day event can be a stepping stone toward the National Games in Nebraska in 2010. In the past, teams have been selected from this competition to participate in the Special Olympics National Games.

The State Summer Sports Classic is one of seven annual state-level competitions for athletes of Special Olympics Michigan. The Special Olympics Michigan programs are offered at no cost to athletes or their families.

"Through these various competitions Special Olympics Michigan provides, athletes are given continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in sharing of gifts, skills, and friendship with their families, and other athletes and the community," said Kimberly Purdy, public relations manager for Special Olympics Michigan.

The State Summer Sports Classic "would not be a success without all of the people involved, including athletes, volunteers and sponsors," Purdy pointed out. The State Summer Sports Classic brings together over 100 volunteers who help the athletes compete in their respective sports.

The presenting sponsor for this year's event is Amerisure Insurance. Statewide partners include Spartan Stores, Real Estate One, Wertz Warriors, Water Warriors, Law Enforcement Torch Run and Knights of Columbus.

For more information, directions or schedules for the State Summer Sports Classic, visit [www.somi.org](http://www.somi.org)

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**All In-Stock 6-Panel Molded Prehung Interior Door**  
•80"H •Hollow core, molded textured surface •Primed and ready to paint  
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now \$1.68 was \$1.97  
**4-1/2" Thin Cutting Wheel**  
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HOSPITAL WELLNESS CALENDAR

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

**Monday, July 20**  
Childbirth Education (second of six classes) at 6 p.m. The six-week course prepares the expectant mother and coach for labor and delivery. There is a \$60 fee. Medicaid is accepted. A refresher course also is available. Call (734) 458-4330 to register.

**Tuesday, July 21**  
Get Up and Move at 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. The exercise program is designed to

help you get up and get moving, and is the perfect compliment to your diet program. Fee is \$30 per month. Call (734) 458-3242.

Diabetes Self-Management Education (third of four classes) at 9:30 a.m. A comprehensive series, 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 to register. Strength and Stretch at 2 p.m. is a non-aerobic exercise class designed to help strengthen and define muscles, as well as increase flexibility. Fee is \$30 per month. For more information, call (734) 458-3242.

Cerebral Aneurysm and Stroke Club at 7:30 p.m. Support is offered to those who have had an aneurysm or stroke as well as to their family and friends. The club meets in Garden City Hospital's Rehabilitation Unit dining room. Call (734) 458-4392.

**Wednesday, July 22**

CPAP and BIPAP Mask Fitting Clinic at 5 p.m. Visit the Sleep Disorders Center of Michigan, 35600 Central City Parkway, Suite 103, Westland, from 5-6 p.m. any Wednesday for a free mask fitting clinic. No appointment is needed. Call (734) 458-3330 for more information.

First Aid (ARC) at 6 p.m. This American Red Cross class teaches how to care for injuries, sudden illness and other emergencies at home or on the job. The class is offered at Garden City Hospital's Health and Education Center at 6701 Harrison, north of Maplewood. There is a \$25 fee. Participants will receive a

three-year certification upon successful completion. Call (734) 458-4330 to register.

Eating Disorders Support Group at 7 p.m. is for individuals with anorexia, bulimia, and compulsive and binge eating disorders. Men, women and teens invited to attend. Call (734) 458-4330. Diabetes "Summer School" at 6 p.m. Garden City Hospital is offering its seventh annual Diabetes Summer School as an alternative to the Diabetes Support Group. This group will meet at the Westland Specialty Center, 35600 Central City Parkway, Westland. Each

session will include speakers, presentations, discussions, displays, and book sales. Light refreshments (30 grams of carbohydrates) will be offered. There is no fee. July 22 session is Garden City Hospital's fourth annual Diabetes Olympics - an evening of fun, games, prizes and education. Call (734) 458-4330 to register.

**Thursday, July 23**

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**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.

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**SPECIAL VALUE!**

now **\$1344** was \$2699

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## Storytelling entertains, educates

Storytelling is the most ancient of art forms and, perhaps, the most respected because of its abilities to entertain and educate, relating experiences, cultural traditions and morals. Because each story is related in the words and gestures of the speaker, the listener is receiving the story in the most intimate and animated of interactions.

The oral form of storytelling may have lost some of its original appeal because of peoples' busy lives and the need for a more compatible way (like books) to carry our stories with us, but most people still like being entranced by the work of a good storyteller - and most people continue to tell stories to their families and friends, if only to relate our experiences and our understanding of those experiences. Children, especially, take well to the transporting effect of a good storyteller using his or her bag of tricks to keep the listeners' eyes and imagination on their tale.

But what makes a good storyteller and how can the non-storytellers among us become better storytellers to our children and friends? In "Improving Your Storytelling" Doug Lipman shows it is not just having a great voice which makes a great storyteller. There is a definite sense of timing needed, as well as the ability to convince an audience of particular time through your language (which admittedly is a lot easier if you are talking about your own family or regional traditions). Also important is the storyteller's physical presence conveyed through his or her gestures, clothing, and body language.

If you are interested in learning more about storytelling, the Westland Public Library is hosting a free storytelling workshop hosted by storyteller and educator Rob McCabe. The workshop will be a one-day affair, running from 5-8 p.m. Wednesday, July 22. If you cannot attend the workshop, but would still like to learn more, check out the above-named storytelling book in addition to Pete Seeger's "Storytelling Book and Storytelling: Art and Technique."

The Reference Desk would be glad to help you find any of these books and also to sign you up for the limited-space workshop. Please call (734) 326-6123 for help or visit the Reference Desk inside the library. The library website - www.westlandlibrary.org - has information on this and many other great programs being hosted there.

**Highlighted Activities**

**Dog Training with Michael Burkey's Canine Behavioral Services:** 11 a.m. July 18

"Dog behavior problems, such as aggression, anxiety, or biting can be replaced with good behavior with effective and humane dog training. Internationally recognized Michigan dog training expert, Michael Burkey, will show you how." (www.michigandogtrainer.com) Michael will give examples with his dog only (no other dogs, please). Sign up at the Reference Desk to reserve your spot.

**Information Central** was compiled by reference librarian Andy Schuck. The William P. Faust Public Library is at 6123 Central City Parkway, Westland. For more information, call (734) 326-6123.

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# LOCAL OPINION

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Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the hometowns we serve and contribute to the business success of our customers.

## OUR VIEWS

### 'Change or Die': Let panel do job

The Internet is one of those places where people can hide behind fictitious names and post comments that can range from accurate and well-informed to outlandish and asinine. A case in point are those posted on a story about the Wayne-Westland Community Schools' 21st Century Committee beginning its work of planning for the district's future.

If you believe Debi911, the district is using "a Communist dictator as a model" and his propaganda creed of "Change or Die." Debi911 also urges "government schools to be closed down once and for all."

We have to wonder what Debi11 thinks about the changes that Chrysler and GM just went through. Both companies were on the brink of extinction when they filed for bankruptcy. Their choice was "Change or Die." Both companies chose the former over the latter, and they have emerged from bankruptcy, a lot different from when they entered it.

And even more businesses are facing the same choice in this current economic climate. Because it was used by Mao Tse Tung, it doesn't mean "Change or Die" is communism. It's a reality. If you want to survive today, you have to adapt, and that's the mission of Wayne-Westland's 21st Century Committee.

Wayne-Westland is facing several problems. It is losing students — 1,800 since the 1990s — and the losses continue. The lack of jobs is forcing families to leave the state. Each child that leaves the Wayne-Westland represents a loss of close to \$8,000 in state school aid, which is the district's primary funding source. The state budget is in shambles and being propped up by federal stimulus money. When it's gone in two years, the holes in the budget will be in the billions of dollars.

The district has used up its fund equity to keep its current educational program intact. It cannot go out and ask for new millage to replace the lost revenue. It has to find a way to continue to provide students with a quality education.

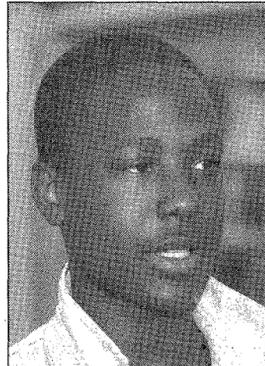
Wayne-Westland can't continue down the same road it's on now. Status quo will leave the district up to its eyeballs in deficit and hacking away at the educational program won't help. You need only look to the Garden City Public Schools, where they've cut staff and programs, but still face an uphill battle to get out of debt.

It doesn't matter who said it or what his or her political beliefs were, we believe the school district is on the right course. It has to "Change or Die." It understands that it must transform itself to meet the needs of its students. We urge people, including Debi911, to hold off on their comments until the committee has done its work. Now is not the time to be throwing stones.

## COMMUNITY VOICE

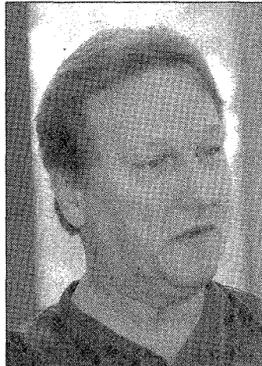
Recently there was talk in Lansing about the state adding more days to the school year. What do you think about having a longer school year?

We asked this question at the William P. Faust Public Library in Westland.



"I don't like it. If we have school six-seven days a week, people won't come."

Daquon Thomas  
Detroit



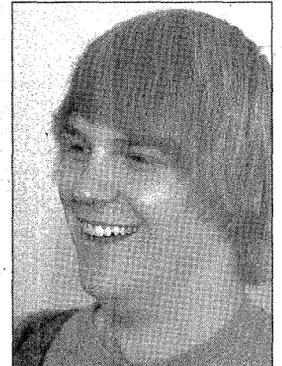
"I don't have any idea. They could leave it as is and improve our image. Image is part of creating jobs."

Matthew Slaughter  
Wayne



"Actually, I believe schools should be privatized. It's three months off in the summer, if you have public schools. It should be more like the real world."

Steve Belfari  
Garden City



"That's bad, it'll make the summer shorter."

Dustin Clark  
Garden City

## LETTERS

### Cruise was a success

Thank you to everyone who showed up, sponsored, advertised with or just passed the word around about Cruisin' Michigan Avenue. I have no idea how many cars and spectators showed up, but I would have to say we easily doubled the count over last year.

More businesses joined in, more parties appeared along the route and WOMC did a great remote at Village Ford.

The Emergency Vehicle Show, hosted by Anthony J. Rzcidlo, was a great success, second to none as part of a cruise. Anthony put this show together with the support of Priority One in Livonia.

And as you can see, we are already working on promoting next year's show. If you would like to get on board for next year drop me a note and we can start working on your promotions.

A limited supply of T-shirts, polo shirts, calendars and license plates are still available. Call me at (734) 658-5296.

Don Nicholson  
Westland

### We're doomed, huh?

Well, those conservative Republicans just keep putting us in doom and gloom. Phil from Westland has us going right to the poor house. Barack isn't doing anything right. He is actually trying to reform health care? Why, it is great just the way it is. And then, of course, he is to blame for the unemployment problem. It has nothing to do with the previous administration ignoring the fiscal problems we faced with him in office.

And gas will go up to \$8 a gallon. Wow, last year at this time it was well over \$3 for us summer travelers and now, just six months into Obama's presidency it is under \$2.40.

Yesterday I got my IRA statement and I actually made money for the first time in over a year.

Maybe we're better off being cursed by Obama then blessed by Bush.

Skip Wehrle  
Garden City

### WHAT DO YOU THINK?

We welcome your Letter to the Editor. Please include your name, address and phone number for verification. We ask your letters be 400 words or less. We may edit for clarity, space and content. Submit letters via the following formats.

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Mail: Letters to the Editor, Westland Observer, 615 W. Lafayette, Second Level, Detroit, MI 48226.

E-mail: [smason@hometownlife.com](mailto:smason@hometownlife.com).

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## ONLINE VOICES & VIEWS

The following are excerpts from readers participating in our online forum for discussing issues. In Your Voice, on the Web at [hometownlife.com](http://hometownlife.com).

### • Saving the Quo Vadis

Maybe the group led by those two young men that thought the old building should be saved have an idea. Here is their chance - or did they just want to save the old building just to watch it sit there as it is? Well, gentleman, what is your plan?

rodneyfield

I am one of the two young men who attempted to save the building, and we are currently attempting to get ahold of the developer and discuss a price for the property. Once established, we shall begin fund-raising events to attempt to purchase the building and then restore and clean the building and reopen it to a working long-term business in the community.

Last I talked to Mayor Wild, he said the Sonic was having troubles getting money as well, but is pretty sure that it will still put its business in Westland.

ziggytoast

## Value your hometown newspaper

What if our local newspaper went out of business? What would we lose as a community the day our newspaper dies? If our local paper dies, could it be resuscitated?

It hit me watching the Fourth of July parade in downtown Northville. I thought I would enjoy reading the local newspaper, the *Northville Record*, next week to capture the simple



Tom Watkins

joys of a parade — kids marching, the smiles on young and old faces as the clown came by, and the salutes from the war veterans of World War II, Korea, Vietnam and the recent

heroes back from fighting in Iraq and Afghanistan. But what if our hometown paper ceases to exist? No, I haven't even heard a rumor to this effect — but given what is happening to the newspaper business across the country, but the thought is not that far-fetched.

We are losing great newspapers and writers to budget cuts. What makes us believe our local community paper will be immune? This would be an enormous blow to our collective freedom and our democracy. The great news reporter Walter Cronkite remarked, "Freedom of the press is not just important to democracy; it is democracy." We need to know what is going on in our world, nation and state — but no one covers our hometown like the local paper.

What if the *Observer & Eccentric* and the *Hometown* weeklies go the way of far too many good newspapers across the country and disappear with the latest wave of economic bad news? Sure, you will still get the Tigers, Lions and Red Wings scores, the latest problems from our State Capitol and updates on the most recent national scandal. You don't need the local press to be inundated with the Michael Jackson stories of the world — unless you want the "local angle."

Our newspapers and our democracy are dependent on the economy and advertising dollars. Both are in a sharp decline. The reality is that ad revenue is down for newspapers. Advertising reportedly represents 75 percent to 80 percent of most newspaper companies' revenue. It is a sad and unfortunate reality that the cost of our freedom and knowledge is dependent on the bottom line.

But a community that loses its local paper loses part of its community soul.

No, our world will not come to an end if we don't read about the newest flavor at Guernsey's Farm Dairy, that the cow had a new calf at the farm in Maybury State Park, the Tuscan Cafe's women's softball team made the playoffs (even though all teams that sign up make the playoffs), what's happening at Jack's Barber shop, what is playing at the Tipping Point or Marquis Theater, the father-daughter St. Valentine Day's dance will be held at the Rec Center again this year,

or our local schools produce nationally recognized students while struggling financially due to the state's economic woes.

This is our hometown community, family, friends, connections. The true simple pleasures in life that happen close to home are what truly matter. It is good to see the news about our local businesses, and what our hometown mayor, City Council, County Commission or Township Board are doing.

The *Detroit News*, the *Detroit Free Press* and the *Oakland Press* all do an admirable job attempting to cover the multitude of small communities that make up southeast Michigan. Yet, as hard as they try, they cannot capture the local culture and makeup, nuances and the small things that make our local communities unique. Nor will they devote the ink or newsprint to cover the PTA, VFW, Rotary, Optimist, Lions, Moose, new school bus routes, police blotter, the new technology at our local library and the many other events that document the wonderful things about our local community.

### DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU GOT TIL IT'S GONE

What can you do to help?

Do you believe having a hometown newspaper adds value to your hometown? If the answer is yes, I highly encourage you take the following action:

1) The first and easiest thing we all can do is to renew or take out a subscription to your hometown paper.

2) Encourage your neighbors to sign up for a subscription.

3) Advertise in the local paper.

4) Frequent the local merchants that advertise. These businesses give back to our community in many ways and need our support and help to stay in business during these tough economic times.

5) Send news to the local editor. Like most businesses, our local papers have cut back and don't have enough reporters to "dig up" the news — so send it to them. Tell them about how Grandpa is turning 100, that the new baby has arrived, the baseball team went undefeated, how the robotics or Odyssey of the Mind team did at the national competition, and the acts of kindness shown by the local high school students.

6) Send a letter to the editor telling him or her how you value your hometown news.

The time to act is now. Our community newspaper is a business. Like all businesses it needs our support to survive and prosper. We should do all we can to help keep our local newspapers alive and covering the good, the bad and ugly to keep us informed about our town.

Let's not let the ink go dry in our community.

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Susan Yerebeck of Brighton and Last Chance Animal Rescue (from left), Andrew Baum at the drive-through window, Jason Smith of Novi and Silver Dairy Operations Manager Gary Bernstein of Farmington enjoy a cool break with their furry friends while planning for this weekend's pet adoption day and fundraiser at the Farmington ice cream store.

## Retailers, businesses, offer summer camps, activities for kids

An Old Navy camp shirt might be just the thing for this camp.

From July 20-24, Old Navy is partnering with the Boys & Girls Clubs of America and Canada as well as other youth serving non-profit organizations to offer teens a chance to explore career opportunities in retail and develop valuable job skills.

In more than 450 Old Navy stores across the U.S. and Canada, teens ages 13-18 will become campers at Camp Old Navy, now in its ninth year. Teens will spend the day getting a behind-the-scenes look at how a retail store operates and gaining hands-on experience in retail management, sales and merchandising as they "job shadow" employees.

Participating Old Navy locations are: Novi at the Novi Town Center, Romulus BGCA; Auburn Hills at Baldwin Commons, Detroit Salvation Army; Troy at Midtown Square, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metro Detroit; and Ann Arbor, Arborland Shopping Center, BGCA of Ypsilanti.

Observer-area Old Navy stores include Old Navy in Farmington Hills.

Also offering youth an insider's look at their business this summer is Uptown Entertainment, an Ilitch-owned company that operates three metro Detroit movie theatres. It will host Harry Potter enthusiasts ages 9-12 for a special, one-time-only Harry Potter Movie Day Camp at the Palladium 12 theatre in downtown Birmingham from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. July 20.

The event features a special showing of "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince," which hits theatres this week. Participants will also tour behind-the-scenes areas of the theatre, enjoy lunch and movie concessions and dress up as their favorite Harry Potter characters for their own big screen performance. Uptown Entertainment will provide the costumes, as well as gift bags and a DVD of the kids' performances for them to take home.

Tickets are \$50, available at the Palladium 12 at 250 North Old Woodward Avenue in Birmingham or by phone at (248) 723-6220.

Retailers are also offering plain old fashioned fun. Kids Days is a two-day shopping event, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Aug. 21 and 22 at Parisian Laurel Park, Livonia.

"We have partnered with local businesses to create a fun and exciting Back to School shopping day for families. All activities are complimentary and will be located in our children's department and our mall courtyard. We will also have a few non-profit organizations for children and animals visiting as well," said Jill Engel, Parisian spokeswoman.

Also, the more Parisian customers buy, the more they'll save that day: from 20 percent for spending \$25 to 30 percent for spending \$75 and more.

Retailers offering activities for the entire family will include: Max & Erma's, Zap Zone Extreme, Livonia Family YMCA, Lightning Speedway, Borders Express, Pump it Up, D&M Art Studios, Michigan Flag Football and Just Baked Cupcake Shop.

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#### Pendleton aids Golden Retrievers

Pendleton in Downtown Northville is partnering with the Golden Retriever Rescue of Michigan - GRRoM - in a special fundraising sales event. From July 16-18, when you designate your purchase to GRRoM, 10 percent will be donated to GRRoM. A representative from GRRoM, along with a foster Golden Retriever, will be there from 12-3 p.m. each day to answer questions. For more information about Pendleton, call (248) 596-9820. For more information about GRRoM, visit www.grrrom.com. Ice cream social and pet adoption From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, July 19, Silver Dairy, 32323 Grand River Ave., Farmington, will host a pet adoption day and fund raiser for Last Chance Rescue Animal Rescue of

Howell, Brighton and Flint. There will be animals to adopt and partial proceeds of sales will go to the organization. Dogs are welcome, cones for dogs are available. The event is being held on the weekend of the Farmington Founders Festival. (248) 474-6609

#### Coffee for a cause

From noon to 5 p.m. July 18-19, Biggby's Store 241, 1952 South Telegraph, Bloomfield Hills, will celebrate its one year anniversary by donating \$1 for each drink sold to Variety Far Conservatory. Students will also sell products they created and there will be a Far Band and vocalists, among other activities. Variety FAR Conservatory of Therapeutic and Performing Arts enriches the lives of children and adults with special

needs and serves over 2000 individuals in school and community-based programs.

#### Bowl-4-Animal-Rescue

The 4th Annual Bowl-4-Animal-Rescue! is a night of family fun at Aleta Sill's Bowling World, Country Lanes, 30250 W. 9-Mile Road, west of Middlebelt Road in Farmington Hills. The event is 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 8. One hundred percent of the proceeds will benefit the Friends For the Dearborn Animal Shelter and the Michigan Animal Adoption Network. Tickets are \$25 and include three games, food and shoe rental. There will be auctions, raffles, door prizes, music, karaoke and cash bar. For tickets, call 248-615-9060 or via e-mail: Michelle@YourBowlingCoach.com. Or visit www.YourBowlingCoach.com/Community

## Have fun shopping, exploring downtown areas during festivals, fairs

Summer is great for shopping in downtown areas and having fun at their festivals and fairs, too. Following are a few:

#### FARMINGTON FOUNDERS FESTIVAL

The Farmington Founders Festival is this week, July 17-19. The weekend is one of music, art, and fun for all ages.

The festival is well known for its one-of-kind shopping. In addition to great finds at Art On The Grand and the Crafters Marketplace, the festival is the perfect opportunity to explore downtown Farmington shops and boutiques. There will also be sidewalk sales.

The kids will love the activities. This year's festival has a circus theme. The Meijer Go Playground will feature the Ringling Brothers.

From 5 to 11:30 p.m. each evening, the over 21- crowd can enjoy fine wine, food, and live music in Alley Regalley, in the big white tent on Grand River near Farmington Road. The \$5 cover charge benefits charity partner Make A Wish Foundation.

Find out more at FoundersFestival.com.

#### ANN ARBOR ART FAIR

There'll be lots of art to buy at the 50th annual Ann Arbor Art Fair through July 18 in the heart of the central campus of the University of Michigan. The fair features 150 juried artists, an array of free art activities and performances for the whole family to enjoy.

#### BUY MICHIGAN NOW FESTIVAL

Downtown Northville is the host location for the official "Buy Michigan Now" Festival, July 27-Aug. 2.

Participating organizations will all be Michigan-based. Vendors and exhibitors will be on hand all week to describe services, offer tastings and to demonstrate and sell their products.

Weekday themes draw attention to emerging industries and opportunities. They are: Monday - Going Green in the Eco-Peninsula; Tuesday - Family, Fun, and Food; Wednesday - Wellness Wednesday; Thursday - Creating

Commerce; Friday - Cultivating a Creative Economy; Saturday & Sunday - Made in Michigan Exploration & Celebration.

Hiller's Market in Northville is one of the participants. It will host local companies and products, with samples for shoppers.

"There is so much talent in the state of Michigan - as a business owner, I am honored to highlight the hard work of my neighbors and support our economy by buying their products," said Hiller's Markets CEO Jim Hiller. "Working together, we ensure the viability of this region that much faster."

Hiller's Michigan Food Fair is 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Aug. 1-2. Hiller's Michigan stores include a Plymouth location.

Buy Michigan Now Festival attendees will also enjoy downtown Northville events happening throughout the week and sidewalk sales July 31 and Aug. 1.

For vendor opportunities, call 248-548-2324 or ContactUs@Ta-Dah.com.

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# Zonta Club offers new \$500 scholarship to assist women

The Zonta Club of Northwest Wayne County has established a new \$500 scholarship to assist women in reaching their educational goals.

Women living in Livonia, Plymouth, Canton, Redford, Wayne, Garden City, Westland and Northville Township and the Wayne County portion of Northville are eligible. Applicants must be a U.S. citizen, attending a

Michigan college or university with a concentration in mathematics or science and have successfully completed one year of undergraduate studies with a 3.0 grade point average. The scholarship is renew-

able for a second semester with successful completion of course work. The scholarship is open to all women without regard to race, ethnic origin, disability or age. Applications are available

by e-mail at [rsrand521@sbc-global.net](mailto:rsrand521@sbc-global.net). Applications must be returned by mail and post-marked by Aug. 7. The scholarship money will be awarded for the fall 2009 semester. Zonta is an International

Women's Service Organization whose mission is to improve the status of women. More information about Zonta International can be found online at [www.zonta.org](http://www.zonta.org).

## CITY OF WESTLAND

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### 2008 Report to Consumers on Water Quality

Westland is proud of the fine drinking water it receives from the City of Detroit and furnishes to the residents. This report will list the source of our water, the results of the tests performed on the water, and additional information about water and health questions. State and federal requirements mandate that an annual report be sent to Westland customers before July 1 each year.

#### Water Source

Westland is supplied by the City of Detroit from its Springwells Water Treatment Plant in Dearborn. The water comes from the Detroit River, situated within the Lake St. Clair, Clinton River, Detroit River, Rouge River, and Ecorse River, in the U.S. and parts of the Thames River, Little River, Turkey Creek and Sydenham watersheds in Canada. The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, in partnership with the U.S. Geological Survey, the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department, and the Michigan Public Health Institute performed a source water assessment to determine the susceptibility of potential contamination. The susceptibility rating is on a six-tiered scale, from very low to high, based primarily on geologic sensitivity, water chemistry and contaminant sources. The susceptibility of our Detroit River source water intakes was determined to be highly susceptible to potential contamination. However, all four Detroit water treatment plants that use source water from the Detroit River have historically provided satisfactory treatment of this source water to meet drinking water standards. DWSD has initiated source-water protection activities that include chemical containment, spill response, and a mercury reduction program. DWSD participates in a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit discharge program and has an emergency response management plan. If you would like to know more information about this report or a complete copy of this report please, contact your water department (734) 728-1770.

#### Public Notice Sewage Disposal System Event

Any person or claimant who experiences an overflow or back up of a sewage disposal system or storm water system that is under the jurisdiction and control of the City of Westland should immediately contact the City of Westland Department of Public Service Director, Kevin Buford, at the following address and telephone number:  
 City of Westland  
 Department of Public Service  
 37137 Marquette  
 Westland, MI 48185  
 (734) 728-1770

#### Important Health Information

##### Overview

The City of Westland maintains over 325 miles of water main, over 2900 hydrants and over 6000 valves in our system. We have flushed the water mains in one section of the city this year, covering the neighborhoods in the area of Wayne road to Newburgh and Palmer to Glenwood. This is done to remove buildup from the water main and improve pressure and quality of the water you receive. We will be doing other sections of the City of Westland in 2009 as the weather permits, working through the city on a continual basis. We are also operating and repairing the valves for isolating the water throughout the city to insure proper operation of the valves in an emergency.

##### Lead

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The City of Westland is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 800-426-4791 or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

##### Cryptosporidium

Cryptosporidium is a microbial pathogen found in surface water throughout the U.S. Although filtration removes Cryptosporidium, the most commonly used filtration methods cannot guarantee 100 percent removal. Our monitoring indicates the presence of these organisms in our source water. Cryptosporidium was detected once, during a twelve-month period at our Detroit River intake plants. Current test methods do not allow us to determine if the organisms are dead or if they are capable of causing disease. Ingestion of Cryptosporidium may cause cryptosporidiosis, an abdominal infection. Symptoms of infection include nausea, diarrhea, and abdominal cramps. Most healthy individuals can overcome the disease within a few weeks. However, immuno-compromised people, infants and small children, and the elderly are at greater risk of developing life-threatening illness. We encourage immuno-compromised individuals to consult their doctor regarding appropriate precautions to take to avoid infection. Cryptosporidium must be ingested to cause disease, and it may be spread through means other than drinking water.

##### People with Special Health Concerns

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons, such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants, can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 800-426-4791.

##### National Primary Drinking Water Regulation Compliance

In 2008, the City of Westland had no monitoring violations. A monitoring violation is not an exceedance of a MCL or health standard.

The Department of Public Service Water and Sewer Superintendent prepared this report for the City of Westland. Data was supplied by the City of Detroit Water and Sewerage Department and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. If there are any questions, concerns or comments, please feel free to contact the City of Westland Department of Public Service at 734-728-1770. This report is supplied to our customers to ensure compliance with the Michigan Safe Drinking Water Act (1976, PA 399, as amended) by 1998 PA 56. This Act was passed to comply with the Federal Clean Water Act and the rules promulgated by the United States EPA dealing with this law. Water quality data for community water systems throughout the United States is available at [www.waterdata.com](http://www.waterdata.com).

##### Additional Information

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 800-426-4791.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals, and in some cases, radioactive material and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organics, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also, come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff and septic systems.

- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or by the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink the EPA prescribes regulations, which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

WRITTEN NOTICE REQUIREMENT: Furthermore, compliance with Public Act 222 of 2001, an amendment to Michigan's Governmental Immunity Statute 1964 PA 170, as amended MCL 691.1401 to 691.1419, requires that a claimant who wishes to seek compensation for property damage or physical injury resulting from a sewage disposal system event notify the City of Westland, Water and Sewer Superintendent, in writing, within 45 days after the date the damage or physical injury was discovered, or in the exercise of reasonable diligence should have been discovered. The written notice shall contain the claimant's name, address and telephone number, the address of the affected property, the date of discovery of any property damages or physical injuries, and a brief description of the claim. Failure to comply with the notice requirements may prevent the recovery of damages and bar any claim that a claimant may have.

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## Springwells Water Treatment Plant 2008 Regulated Detected Contaminants Tables

Contaminant	Test Date	Units	Health Goal MCLG	Allowed Level MCL	Level Detected	Range of Detection	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
<b>Inorganic Chemicals - Annual Monitoring at Plant Finished Water Tap</b>								
Fluoride	9/9/2008	ppm	4	4	0.89	n/a	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive, which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Nitrate	9/9/2008	ppm	10	10	0.26	n/a	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
Barium	6/9/2008	ppm	2	2	0.01	n/a	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Selenium	6/9/2008	ppb	50	50	1	n/a	No	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines.
<b>Disinfectant Residuals and Disinfection By-Products - Monitoring in Distribution System</b>								
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	Feb-Nov 2008	ppb	n/a	80	17.7	4.1-31.5	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	Feb-Nov 2008	ppb	n/a	60	10.0	4.4-16.5	No	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Disinfectant Chlorine	Jan-Dec 2008	ppm	MRDGL 4	MRDL 4	0.67	0.61-0.72	No	Water additive used to control microbes

2008 Turbidity - Monitored every 4 hours at Plant Finished Water Tap				
Highest Single Measurement Cannot exceed 1 NTU	Lowest Monthly % of Samples Meeting Turbidity Limit of 0.3 NTU (minimum 95%)	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water	
0.16 NTU	100 %	No	Soil Runoff	
Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of water. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our filtration system.				

2008 Microbiological Contaminants - Monthly Monitoring in Distribution System					
Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Highest Number Detected	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Total Coliform Bacteria	0	Presence of Coliform bacteria > 5% of monthly samples	in one month - 1	No	Naturally present in the environment.
E.coli or fecal coliform bacteria	0	A routine sample and a repeat sample are total coliform positive, and one is also fecal or E.coli positive.	entire year - 0	No	Human waste and animal fecal waste.

2008 Lead and Copper Monitoring at Customers' Tap								
Contaminant	Test Date	Units	Health Goal MCLG	Action Level AL	90 <sup>th</sup> Percentile Value*	Number of Samples Over AL	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Lead	2008	ppb	0	.15	3 ppb	0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing system; Erosion of natural deposits.
Copper	2008	ppm	1.3	1.3	.16 ppm	0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing system; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives.

\*The 90th percentile value means 90 percent of the homes tested have lead and copper levels below the given 90th percentile value. If the 90th percentile value is above the AL additional requirements must be met.

Regulated Contaminant	Treatment Technique	Running annual average	Monthly Ratio Range	Violation Yes/No	Typical Source of Contaminant
Total Organic Carbon (ppm)	The Total Organic Carbon (TOC) removal ratio is calculated as the ratio between the actual TOC removal and the TOC removal requirements. The TOC was measured each month and because the level was low, there is no requirement for TOC removal.				Erosion of natural deposits

2008 Special Monitoring				
Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Level Detected	Source of Contamination
Sodium (ppm)	n/a	n/a	4.80	Erosion of natural deposits

Unregulated contaminants are those for which EPA has not established drinking water standards. Monitoring helps EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants. Beginning in July of 2008, the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) began monitoring quarterly for unregulated contaminants under the Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule 2 (UCMR2.) All the UCMR2 contaminants monitored on List 1 and List 2 in 2008 were undetected.

Key to Detected Contaminants Tables		
Symbol	Abbreviation for	Definition/Explanation
MCLG	Maximum Contaminant Level Goal	The level of contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health.
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level	The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
MRDLG	Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal	The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
MRDL	Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level	The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
ppb	Parts per billion (one in one billion)	The ppb is equivalent to micrograms per liter. A microgram = 1/1000 milligram.
ppm	Parts per million (one in one million)	The ppm is equivalent to milligrams per liter. A milligram = 1/1000 gram.
NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Units	Measures the cloudiness of water.
ND	Not Detected	
TT	Treatment Technique	A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
AL	Action Level	The concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
HAA5	Haloacetic acids	HAA5 is the total of bromoacetic, chloroacetic, dibromoacetic, dichloroacetic, and trichloroacetic acids. Compliance is based on the total.
TTHM	Total Trihalomethanes	Total Trihalomethanes is the sum of chloroform, bromodichloromethane, dibromochloromethane, and bromoform. Compliance is based on the total.
n/a	not applicable	
>	Greater than	

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# HOMETOWN LIFE



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## League-leading Rams sweep Eagles

BY JIM TOTH  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Scoring early and often was the recipe for success Sunday as the Michigan Rams twice made easy work of the Detroit Eagles in Livonia Collegiate Baseball League play. Backed by a three-hit showing from Aaron Cieslak and strong mound performances by Brady Cooper and Taylor Robson, the Rams rolled to an easy 8-1 victory over the Eagles in game one. Game two wasn't much different as

Cieslak again led the hitting parade with three hits and left-hander Tom Hansen tossed five shutout innings of one-hit ball as the Rams took the nightcap, 10-0, in five innings.

In the opener, the Rams jumped on Eagles starter Chris Whitney for three runs in the second inning. They added two more in the fourth and two in the fifth, knocking Whitney out of the game.

Cieslak drove in three runs in the game and teammate Joe Barnes chipped in with a two-hit performance

that resulted in two RBI and two runs scored. Andrew Ciennik singled, knocked in one run, walked twice and scored two times, while Jake Rhodes singled and scored two runs. Nick Plinka and Justin Forster added to the nine-hit Rams attack with a single each and combined to score three runs.

Cooper earned the victory in the contest with three scoreless innings of work. He faced just 10 batters, striking out four, walking none and not allowing a hit. Robson took over in the fourth and yielded one hit and three walks.

Jeff Beckles had the only hit and RBI for the Eagles.

In the nightcap, the Rams scored two runs in the first, pushed across four more in the second and put the game away with two in each of the third and fourth frames to rack up the win.

Cieslak clubbed two singles and a triple, scored three times and drove in two more to highlight the nine-hit offensive attack. Forster, meanwhile, hammered a double and triple, drove in

Please see **RAMS, B2**

## GAME WRAPS

### Marecki at USAs

Livonia Stevenson High grad Brynn Marecki, who will be a sophomore this fall at the University of Buffalo, qualified for the 100-meter breaststroke at the USA Swimming Nationals last week in Indianapolis, Ind. where she wound up 59th overall with a time of 1:14.65.

The 2008 MHSAA Division 1 state champion in the 100 breaststroke and 200 individual medley also earned All-Mid-American Conference honors this past season with the Bulls.

At the MAC Championships, she swam the breaststroke leg of the record-breaking, first-place 200-yard medley relay and was also a member of the record-breaking 400 medley relay (3:44.39).

The freshman made an NCAA 'B' cut in the 100-yard breaststroke, breaking her own school record for the fourth time this season with a clocking of 1:01.81, good enough for a third-place finish. Marecki also earned sixth place in the 200 breaststroke with a school-record time of 2:15.99.

### All-Academic baseball

Six area players were among 65 state-wide recently selected to the Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association Division 1 Academic All-State Team.

Among those selected were Livonia Churchill seniors Jimmy Szymanski and Jimmy Tyler, along with junior Christian Leathley.

Livonia Franklin was represented by Jack Chinavare and Nick Hopson.

Also selected was Westland John Glenn junior Andrew McGrath.

### Fall ball signup

The Greater Canton Youth Baseball/Softball Association is accepting registration from youth between the ages of 4-14 and for the Fall Baseball season. Games begin in mid August and continue through early October.

For more information, call (734) 483-5600 or email cott@canton-mi.org.

### Ace shooters

Glen Garry, of Garden City, recently notched his first hole-in-one as his 5-iron to the 114-yard eighth hole at Rolling Meadows Country Club found the bottom of the cup.

Steve Wheeler, of Canton, also scored a hole-in-one. Wheeler aced the 149-yard fifth hole at Snow, Snake, Ski & Golf in Harrison Township on June 28.

### Motor City Junior Golf

The Motor City Junior Golf Championship, sponsored by Caddyshack and Top Flite Golf, will be Wednesday, July 29 at Whispering Willows Golf Course, located at Eight Mile and Newburgh roads, in Livonia. The event is open to boys and girls ages 12-17.

Included in the \$49 entry fee is 18 holes, practice rounds (prior to the event), driving range balls (day of the event), lunch ticket and gift pack.

All entries are due by Friday, July 24. (Checks should be made payable to T.J.W., Inc.)

For more information and tee times, call (248) 476-4493.

## Moldovan leads area winners at Kingsbury tourney

BY BRAD EMONS  
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Livonia's Bianca Moldovan was a late entry into the 11th annual Jud Kingsbury Memorial Junior Tennis Tournament hosted by the Livonia Family YMCA.

Rated No. 2 in the Girls 12s and No. 16 in the Girls 14s in the latest Southeast Michigan Tennis Association rankings, the unseeded Moldovan moved up two age flights last weekend to earn the Girls 16s singles crown with a 6-1, 6-2 triumph Saturday over Ann Arbor's Courtney Lymburner in the finals at Stevenson High School.

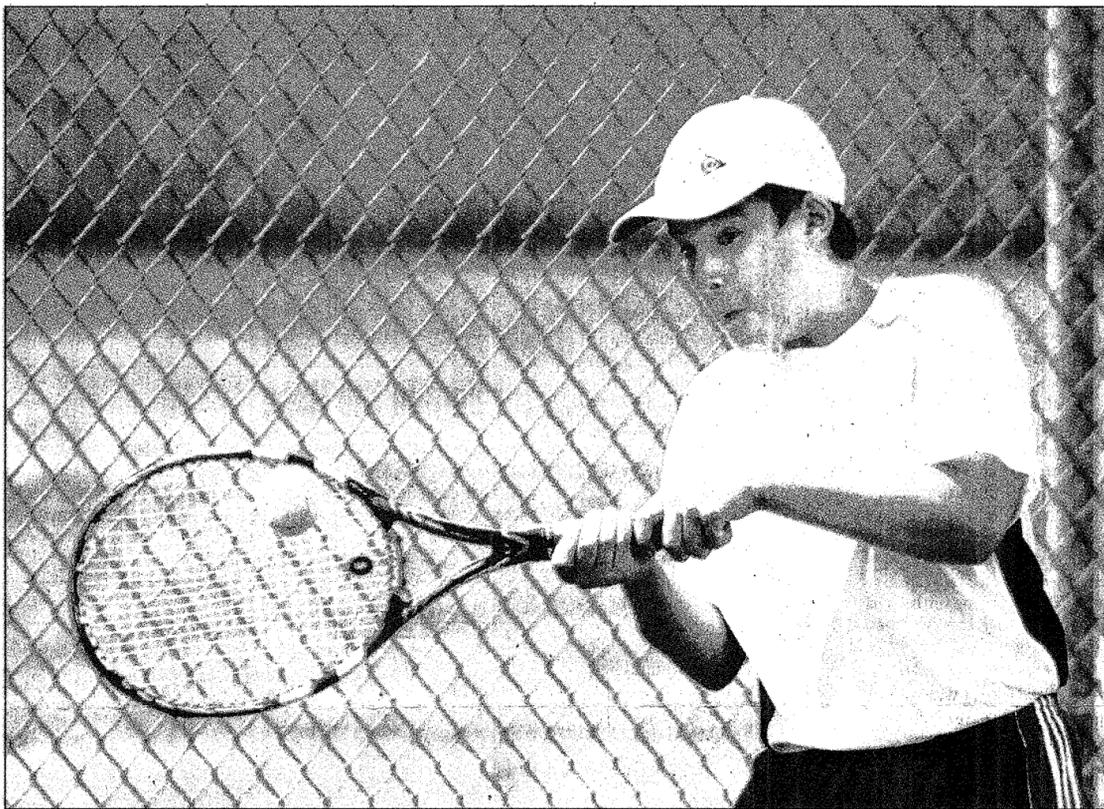
Moldovan, who recently captured the Girls 14s singles title last month at the Schoolcraft College Spring Open and won the SEMTA District Muthig Girls 12 qualifier in May, now sports a 12-month overall record of 45-5 dating back to July of 2008.

Other girls singles winners at the Kingsbury Tournament, included unseeded Emily Nghiem, Franklin Village (Girls 14), who beat Westland's Carolyn McCullen; top seed Marybeth Hurley, Novi (Girls 12); and unseeded Madalyn Winarski, Rochester Hills (Girls 10).

In the Boys 18 singles, unseeded Garrett Halpert of Ann Arbor won in straight sets, 7-5, 6-2, over Michael Fitzgerald of Grosse Ile. Halpert is ranked No. 11 in the Boys 16 SEMTA rankings.

Top seed Andrew Cahn of West Bloomfield rolled to the Boys 16 title with a 6-3, 6-4 win in the finals over second-seeded Kevin Chang of Ann Arbor. Cahn is ranked No. 12 in the SEMTA Boys 16 rankings.

The top seed also captured the Boys 14 title as Rishi Patel of Bloomfield Hills defeated Jason Mondry, also of Bloomfield Hills, 6-3, 6-1.



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Michael Marts of Farmington Hills looks for a successful return during recent play in the 11th Annual Jud Kingsbury Memorial Junior Tennis Tournament held in Livonia. The event crowned champions in five different age categories.

### Bianca Moldovan moved up two age flights last weekend to earn the Girls 16s singles crown with a 6-1, 6-2 triumph Saturday.

The Boys 12 singles title also went to No. 1 seed Franklin Brozovich of Fort Gratiot. He defeated Brendan Dillon of Birmingham, 6-3, 6-1, after Dillon toppled second seed Jonathan Martin of Livonia in a third-set tiebreaker, 11-9.

The Boys 10 singles featured a round-robin format with Troy's Anthony Ciraci winning all three of his matches to take the title.

### KINGSBURY RESULTS

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#### FINAL AGE-GROUP SINGLES RESULTS

**Boys 18s:** Garrett Halpert (Ann Arbor) defeated Michael Fitzgerald (Grosse Ile), 7-5, 6-2; **semifinals:** Halpert def. Michael Zieck (Bloomfield) 7-6 (7-3), 7-6 (10-4 third set tiebreaker); Fitzgerald def. Tyler Marengo (Fort Gratiot), 7-6, 6-2.

**Girls 16s:** Bianca Moldovan (Livonia) def. Courtney Lymburner (Ann Arbor), 6-1, 6-2; **semifinals:** Moldovan def. Katelyn Blumberg (Farmington Hills), 6-1, 6-2; Lymburner def. Abby Wang (Novi), 6-2, 6-4.

**Boys 16s:** Andrew Cahn (West Bloomfield) def. Kevin Chang (Ann Arbor), 6-3, 6-4; **semifinals:** Cahn def. William Wilson (Commerce), 6-1, 6-2; Chang def. Stephen Payne (Livonia), 6-4, 6-4.

**Girls 14s:** Emily Nghiem (Franklin) def. Carolyn McCullen (Westland), 6-1, 6-1; **semifinals:** Nghiem def. Kerry Hu (West

Bloomfield), 6-2, 6-1; McCullen def. Maria Vicini (Farmington Hills), 6-1, 6-1.

**Boys 14s:** Rishi Patel (Bloomfield Hills) def. Jason Mondry (Bloomfield Hills), 6-3, 6-1; **semifinals:** Patel def. Michael Ciraci (Troy), 6-4, 7-5; Mondry def. Phillip Kovalev (Bloomfield Hills), 6-4, 6-2.

**Girls 12s:** Marybeth Hurley (Novi) def. Reehma Kumar (Ann Arbor), 6-1, 6-1; **semifinals:** Hurley def. Nina Zhang (Troy), 6-2, 6-0; Kumar def. Mausam Patel (Ypsilanti), 6-3, 7-6 (7-2).

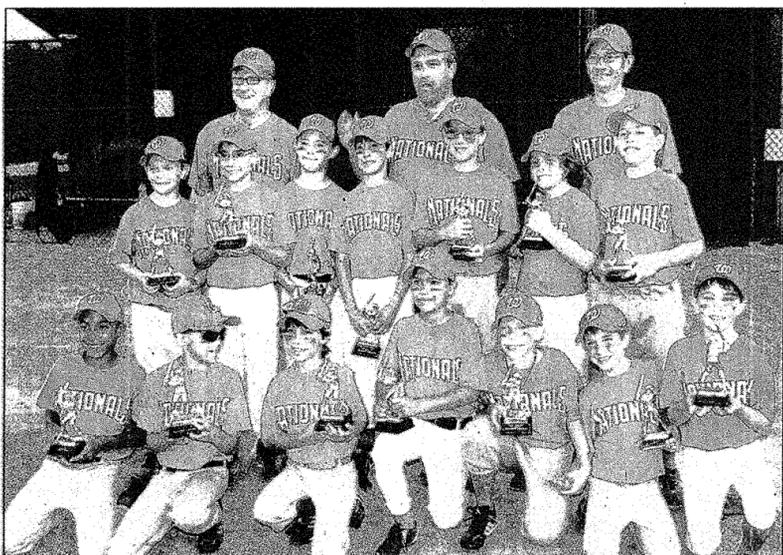
**Boys 12s:** Franklin Brozovich (Fort Gratiot) def. Brendan Dillon (Birmingham), 6-3, 6-1; **semifinals:** Brozovich def. Kobie Mueller (Ann Arbor), 6-1, 6-0; Dillon def. Jonathan Martin (Livonia), 3-6, 6-2 (11-9 third set tiebreaker).

**Girls 10s:** Madalyn Winarski (Rochester Hills) def. Allona Yutzy (Northville), 6-2, 6-4; **semifinals:** Winarski def. Lily Zhang (Troy), 6-2, 6-3; Yutzy def. Tara Shetty (Ann Arbor), 6-1, 6-0.

**Boys 10s (round robin):** 1. Anthon Ciraci (Troy) def. Sean Mulka, 6-0, 6-1; def. Brad Silverman (West Bloomfield), 6-3, 4-6 (10-7 third set tiebreaker); def. Brendan Allen, 6-0, 6-0; 2. Silverman def. Allen, 6-1, 6-2; def. Mulka, 6-2, 6-3.



Morgan Spencer of Plymouth goes to the backhand to return a shot in junior tennis play.



### Spring champs

The 9U Spring Baseball Playoff Champions in The Greater Canton Youth Baseball and Softball Association are the Nationals. Members of the team include (front row, from left) Colin Troup, Joseph Vespaziani, Tanner Tracy, Gabe Segovia-Plate, Matt Breda, Grant Harber and Alex Schafer. In the middle row (from left) are Jacob Paton, Davey Farhat, Matt English, Mitch Harber, Jacob Seipenko, Nathan Faur and Brett Caldwell. The back row includes (from left) coaches Scott Schafer, Don Harber and Brian Paton.

## Bucks seek must-wins on the road

The Michigan Bucks dominated the offensive statistics on Saturday night, but as the story of their season goes, they failed to finish their chances when they needed to score.

The Chicago Fire Premier punched their Premier Development League playoff ticket with a 2-1 win in front of an enthusiastic crowd of 989 fans at Ultimate Soccer Arenas in Pontiac.

Chicago improved to 9-1-5 in the PDL's Great Lakes Division of the PDL's Central Conference, tied for first with the Kalamazoo Outrage (10-2-2, 32 points).

The loss leaves the Bucks looking on the outside for the third and final playoff spot at 7-5-2 (23 points), five points behind third-place Forest City of London, Ontario (8-3-4).

"The players responded well and never gave up," said Livonia native and Bucks CEO/Chairman Dan Duggan. "We just didn't have things go our way when we needed them. As I replay the season in my head, I can tell you of four games if we finish one of those chances we change the entire situation so that we are not in a position to have a 'must win' at this point in the season. The fans got their money's worth tonight, and saw at least six future Major League Soccer (MLS) players on the field. Unfortunately, this year most of them were wearing the wrong color jersey."

Chicago jumped out to a 1-0 lead on striker Andre Akpan's goal from Rich Balchin in the

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CAMPS/CLINICS

Football

• North Farmington High School will have a football skills camp 8 a.m. to noon July 27-30 for any football player entering the ninth through 12th grade in the 2009-10 school year.

The cost is \$75. The camp will be conducted by the North coaching staff. Each player will need football cleats, gym shoes, workout clothes and helmet with mouth guard. Helmets should be provided by the player's high school.

To register contact coach Todd Schultz at either Todd.schultz@farmington.k12.mi.us or 248-888-6263.

• The Pops QB Tutor summer camps will be making stops in the area including:

Plymouth/Canton Area QB-WR - 1-2:30 p.m., July 27-30, at Heritage Park (grades 3-12).

For more information, visit popsqbtutor.com; or e-mail Richard Popp at: theqbtutor@yahoo.com.

All sports

• Schoolcraft College will offer a series of summer sports camps for ages 10-18 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday, including:

Boys and girls soccer - July 20-23, 27-30 (cost \$150); boys and girls basketball - July 20-23 (cost \$150); girls volleyball - July 27-30 (cost \$150).

For more information, call the Schoolcraft College Athletic Department at (734) 462-4804, Ext. 3; or e-mail

athletic director Sid Fox at sfox@schoolcraft.edu.

• The Plymouth Family YMCA is offering a variety of summer sports programs and several clinics.

The summer programs, through Aug. 17, will focus on fun, exercise and social interaction through instruction and include "Kickers and Shooters" soccer, preschool and youth basketball, preschool soccer class, preschool and youth baseball.

Morning and evening classes are available; ages vary by program but there is something for children between ages 3-9. Programs are open to YMCA members and community members.

Three sports clinics also are on tap through Plymouth Family YMCA.

Those include baseball (July 21-25, for ages 9-11), soccer (July 28 through Aug. 1, ages 6-9) and basketball (Aug. 4-8, ages 6-9).

Call (734) 453-2904; or visit www.ymcadetroit.org for information.

Soccer

• Midwest Soccer Academy, one of the most respected and experienced soccer training organizations in the United States, will be conducting soccer training camps for boys and girls July 20-24.

Hosted by Our Lady of the Good Counsel in Plymouth, the week-long camp will feature members of the MSA staff

working with youngsters in improving their overall skills.

Cost is \$125 per camper. Sessions for girls will be held 9 a.m.-noon daily, while the boys will run from 5:30-8:30 p.m.

More information can be obtained by contacting Midwest Soccer Academy at 1-800 714-5575 or toll free at 1-877-714-5575, or by email at info@midwestsoccer.net, or by signing up online at www.midwestsoccer.net.

Basketball

• Madonna University will be staging its 35th annual All-Star camp for boys (ages 8-15) from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday, July 27-31.

The cost is \$175 per player. For more information, visit madonnacrusaders.com.

Cross country

• Madonna University will stage its summer 2009 base cross country camp from 8-9:45 a.m., Monday through Friday, July 27-31, at cost of \$70.

MU will also stage long runs from 7:30-9 a.m. each Saturday, July 11, 18, 25; Aug. 1 and 8; at Cass Benton Park (\$2 for each session).

For more information, call MU cross country coach Pat Daugherty evenings at (734) 658-0226 (cell); or (734) 432-5634 (office). You can also e-mail pdaugherty@madonna.edu.

For more information, call (734) 642-6664.



Storm rules tourney

The 16-and-under Livonia Storm softball team recently captured the Warren Fury Tournament. Members of the Storm include: Katie Bone, Lauren Brenner, Anna Burch, Nicole Emery, Jessica Emery, Amber Gelinis, Sidnee Mattison, Naomi Oxendine, Amanda Shaltis, Anna Plumley and Breanna Taylor. The Storm is coached by Mark Bone, Brett Emery, Kathie and Joe Taylor and Dennis Mattison.



Turning up the Heat

The Livonia YMCA Heat recently captured the Western Suburban Soccer League's Recreational High School Open Division 1 with a 6-1-1 record for the spring 2009 season. Members of the Heat include (top row, from left): head coach Todd Francisco, Jeff Dombrowski, Kevin Francisco, Chad Stevens, Tyler Brown, Aiden Yee, Michael Dolunt, Neil Culbertson, Tyler Ruchala, Zach Miller, Scott Vasko, Tim Talty, assistant coach Steve Vasko; (bottom row, from left) Jake Allen, Kyle Keller and Tony Ianni. (Not pictured is John Falkowski.)

BUCKS

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14th minute.

The Bucks, meanwhile, mounted constant pressure but were denied by Fire goalkeeper James Maurer, who made four spectacular saves.

The Bucks, however, tied it on Mauro Fuzetti's penalty kick after teammate Kenny Uzoigwe was knocked down in the box to make it 1-1 at intermission.

In the second half, the Bucks continued to pound at the Fire defense and had several golden opportunities to take the lead but were denied by Maurer or his defenders.

The goalkeeper's best friends cleared two balls off the line before the Bucks could finish their chances as the game went into the final quarter hour. Bucks coach Dan Fitzgerald threw all his players forward the last 10 minutes, desperately trying to get the go-ahead strike while the disciplined Fire side patiently waited for a Bucks mistake.

That happened in the 86th minute when the last Fire counter-attack started deep in their own defensive end. Three passes later, Akpan was in alone on Bucks keeper Steve Clark to put an end to the Bucks' chance of winning. Michigan did have several more opportunities to tie the game, but could not get the final equalizer.

"This game was a snapshot of our entire season," Fitzgerald said. "We played one of the best teams in the PDL even and had at least five great opportunities to put them away, but couldn't finish. Give them credit; they are an intelligent, disciplined team. We outshot them 18-10 but could not get anything past them other than the PK. Credit their goalkeeper for saving the game, and the finishing of Akpan was outstanding. We wish them well as they move on to the postseason."

Duggan, meanwhile, was not pleased with the outcome, but proud of the effort his team displayed against a difficult opponent.

"It's always difficult when

we lose a game," he said. "It really hurts when you have such a great crowd on a night when the outcome of the game means so much to both teams. Everyone in the building knew we had to win this game, as a tie or a loss did us no good in trying to get that last playoff spot."

The Bucks have the Fort Wayne (Ind.) Fever to thank for their extended playoff lives, as they played London to a 1-1 draw on Sunday, leaving the door open for the Bucks to sneak past the first-year club by winning its final two matches of the season.

The Bucks travel Friday to FC London and then finish their 14th regular season in the PDL on the road Sunday against the host Toronto Lynx. The Bucks have qualified for the PDL playoffs 12 of the last 13 years.

But to qualify this year, they will need to win both road games this weekend. If the Bucks do anything but win both games, then FC London will clinch the final playoff spot in their inaugural season.

RAMS

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three runs and scored twice.

Barnes, Plinka, Ciennik and Alex Trojan all added a hit apiece.

Hansen (Madonna) faced only 18 batters in his five innings of work, striking out seven and walking only two. The only hit off the lefty in the mercy-shortened contest came from lead-off batter Corey Chapman in the first inning. The win moved Hansen to 5-

1 on the season and kept his ERA a perfect 0.00.

A single game slated with the Eagles for Monday produced much the same result as a five-run third inning by the Rams triggered a 10-0 triumph in six innings and a sweep of the three-game series.

Trojan paced the 12-hit Rams attack by going a perfect 3-for-3 at the plate and knocking in four runs. Rhodes clubbed two hits and also drove in four runs and Cieslak's hot bat produced

a single and double and one RBI. Forster, Barnes, Ryan Abraham, Kyle Vesey and Brett Mazmanian each chipped in a hit apiece.

Starter Erik Wright was just as overpowering on the mound as the Rams hurler fanned seven in four scoreless innings of work. James Bertakis came on to clean up the final two frames, allowing only one hit during his time on the mound.

The Rams now stand 16-8 on the season with eight games remaining in the regular season. The Eagles fell to 5-19.



Blues win Major Elite crown

The 14-and-under South Farmington Blues won the Michigan Major Elite tournament June 12-14 in Monroe and Flat Rock. The Blues went 3-1 in pool play and were the fourth seed in the championship bracket. The Blues defeated the NFWB Cobras and Illinois Sparks to make it to the semifinals game against the Up to Bat Titans from Cleveland. The Titans took a 12-5 lead. With two outs in the bottom of the seventh inning, the Blues scored eight runs to advance into the final. The Blues defeated the Cincy (Ohio) Flames to win the title, 6-4. This is the fourth tournament the Blues have won this year. The Blues placed second in the Michigan Super NIT and qualified to play in the USSSA Elite World Series at Disney World in July. The Blues are (bottom row, left to right) head coach Pat Malzone, batboy Nate Wenson, Matt Stojkov, Jason Gluck, Connor Mohr, Bobby Lett, Alex Peczynski, Sal Cipriano, coach John Perry, (top row, left to right) coach Kevin Lowery, coach Dave Peczynski, Jake Lowery, Carmen Benedetti, Nick Malzone, John Perry, Harrison Wenson, Randy Kuzdak, Sterling Sharp, coach Paul Wenson and coach Joe Stojkov.



Mud Hens win second championship

The Farmington Hills Mud Hens won the Fowlerville 10-and-under tournament June 27-28. The team posted a 3-0 record, defeating the Pinckney Pirates and the Hartland Eagles in pool play and beating the New Lothrop Hornets in the championship game. The Hens needed a dramatic come-from-behind victory to win the championship. Trailing 9-1 in the bottom of the sixth, the boys scored eight runs to tie the game and send it to extra innings. Trailing 11-9 in the bottom of the seventh, the Mud Hens again rose to the challenge and scored three runs to bring home their second championship in the month of June. The Mudhens are (front, left to right) Colin Repasky, Ben Kucharski, (second row) Joe Majoros, Blake Kocsis, (third row) Dov Seifman, Charlie Ciaramitaro, Blake Bean, (fourth row) Drew Sheckell, Jack Politowicz, Dillon Champagne, Jared Fish, Jady N Hodges, (back row) coach Tom Champagne, coach Steve Sheckell, manager Steve Bean and coach Brian Seifman.

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## Who's who of Golf Associations

By David Graham

Have you ever wondered who all those golf associations are? The PGA, USGA, LPGA, GAM, PGA of America, Michigan Section PGA, MGCOSA, MTF, MiGCSA, R&A, WGA, etc. It seems like we have more initials and abbreviations that make it "easy" for us in the business to talk in shorthand but confuses the bejabbers out of the vast majority of "golf fans." Who is responsible for what? Here is a quick tour of the statewide and leading national organizations that support our favorite sport in Michigan.

**Golf Association of Michigan**  
Classified as a State and Regional Golf Association, the GAM is the only association that is dedicated to interests of the individual golfer. Founded in 1919, the mission of the GAM is to "promote, preserve and serve amateur golf in Michigan." Accordingly, we support a broader range of stakeholders, from golf facility operators, to golf professionals, to course

superintendents... all key participants in this industry. The GAM also serves as the licensed representative for the USGA to administer the USGA course rating and handicapping systems in Michigan and GAM administers all of the state amateur golf championships as well as qualifiers for the USGA's national championships including the U.S. Open and the U.S. Amateur.

**United States Golf Association**  
Founded in 1894, the USGA is the national governing body of golf in the USA and Mexico. The USGA administers the national championships including the U.S. Open, writes the Rules of Golf, conducts equipment testing, maintains the official Handicap System, provides a Turf Advisory Service and administers an ongoing "For the Good of the Game" grants program.

**Professional Golf Association Tour**  
The Tour is where the best golfers in the world compete for huge sums of dollars. "The mission of the PGA Tour is

to expand domestically and internationally to substantially increase player financial benefits while maintaining its commitment to the integrity of the game. The PGA TOUR events are also committed to generating revenue for charitable causes in their communities." In Michigan, we have had the Buick Open contested for over 50 years hosted at Warwick Hills Country Club in Grand Blanc.

**PGA of America and Michigan Section PGA**  
This is the association of club golf professionals who work at golf facilities, private clubs, driving ranges, teaching academies, et. al. These professional golfers pass rigorous examinations of not only their golf skills, but also facility operations, retail merchandising, staff management, golf instruction, etc. The country is divided into districts and within districts, sections. We have the Michigan Section based in East Lansing that serves the member professionals around the state.

**Ladies Professional Golf Association**  
This is the professional tour for the best women golfers in the world. Their stated mission is "to be a leader in the world of sports and to promote economic empowerment for our members. We will also serve as role models on and off the course." The Oldsmobile Classic was a LPGA tournament hosted at Walnut Hills Country Club in East Lansing for a number of years.

**Michigan Golf Course Owners Association**  
The MGCOA is "the voice of Michigan's Golf Business." This statewide organization is affiliated with the National Golf Course Owners Association and serves public golf facilities. Special purchasing programs are available to the members as well as leadership on marketing initiatives. In addition, the MGCOA pursues needed lobbying efforts in Lansing to insure the golf course operator's voice is heard by our legislators.

**Western Golf Association**  
The WGA is best known for

overseeing the Evans Scholar Foundation that has provided college scholarships for deserving caddies who could not afford to go to college otherwise. In addition, the WGA has hosted the Western Open Professional Golf Championship (now known as the BMW Championship) and the Western Amateur and Junior Championships.

**Michigan Golf Course Superintendents Association**  
The newest of the statewide associations, the MiGCSA serves as the voice of golf course superintendents throughout the state. Until this state wide group was established in 2008, the needs of these professionals who really understand how to "keep our courses green" were organized into regional chapters all linked into the national association. The stated mission is "to provide leadership for Golf Course Superintendents and other golf industry partners on the economic, environmental and recreational vitality of golf in Michigan."

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## WOMEN SEEKING MEN

**GREAT SENSE OF HUMOR**  
SWF 27, mother, enjoys swimming, walking, nature, being outdoors. Seeking similar SWM, 23-45, for companionship. **282578**

**MUSICAL GIRL**  
Christian WF, 19, enjoys playing guitar, singing, going to church and more. Looking for SM, 19-25, who enjoys the same things. **292258**

**TAKE A CHANCE ON ME**  
SWPF, 48, educated, HW proportionate, seeks educated, professional male, 40-55, N/S, with sense of humor. Let's meet for coffee or a drink. **311955**

**VERY ATTRACTIVE**  
SBPF, 37, mother, looking for attractive, sexy, tall, dark-complected, employed, intelligent BM, 33-50, for friendship possibly leading to LTR. **282115**

**ARE YOU OUT THERE?**  
SBF, 36, 5'4", 150lbs, brown hair, drama-free, disease-free, looking for SWFM, 35-60, to talk to, like movies, music, hanging out, travel, having fun. **317137**

**GOOD SENSE OF HUMOR?**  
WF, 48, 5'3", brown hair, has pets, N/S, great sense of humor, looking for WM, 45-55, who likes dining out, museums, movies, reading and more, to do things with. **280581**

**HOMEBODY SEEKS SAME**  
SBF, 44, 5'2", 165lbs, black hair, brown eyes, light complexion, ND, N/S, enjoys movies, bowling, dining, plays, concerts, reading. Seeking SBM, 39-51. **284368**

**ARE YOU THE ONE?**  
SF, 41, 5'4", dark complexion, brown eyes, short hair, looking to meet an honest, loyal, funny man, 37-55, to spend a lot of time together. **289947**

**CURVACEOUS**  
SWF, 47, 5'7", 155lbs, hazel eyes, dimples, enjoys R&B, jazz, dancing, going to bars, sports. Seeking SBM, 21-42, with similar interests, for friendship first, possibly more. **283605**

**VERY DOWN-TO-EARTH**  
SBF, 37, 5'5", 125lbs, slim build, enjoys nice walks in the park, movies, bowling, basketball games. Seeking SBM, 30-43. **299111**

**ARE WE A MATCH?**  
SBF, 38, very shapely, N/S, light drinker, very independent, loves movies, sports, shooting pool, dining. Seeking SBM, 35+, very independent, who enjoys life, movies, etc. **299793**

**LADY OF QUALITY**  
SBF, 30-something, 5'7", laid-back, down-to-earth, seeks open, honest, loyal, faithful professional man, 35-55, for LTR. No games, race open. **310211**

**SEARCHING FOR A MAN...**  
40-60, who's looking for commitment, love and laughter. I'm a 47-year-old who's bright, spunky and pretty. Only Jewish men please. **292317**

**HARD WORKER SEEKS SAME**  
SBF, 44, N/S, mother, seeks old-fashioned BM, 29-49, N/S, hombody, to explore all life has to offer! I enjoy reading, bike rides, playing tennis. **274519**

**LET'S TALK SOON!**  
I am 5'2", in my 60s, brown hair, brown eyes, WLTM "tall" well-groomed, neat, 60-74 SWFM, who likes to travel, cards, casinos, dining out, exercise etc. Is this you? **2982305**

**GREAT-LOOKING BF...**  
35, seeks serious, mature, financially secure man for LTR. Call me, you won't be disappointed! **283172**

**BEAUTIFUL SBF...**  
37, seeks SWM, 30-50, who is spontaneous and knows how to have fun. Casual relationship first, maybe leading to more. **271683**

**ONE GOOD WOMAN LEFT**  
SBF, 47, 5'7", full-figured, N/S, likes roller skating, canoeing, exercise, theater, travel. Seeking a gentleman, 45-70, who is healthy, fun-loving, financially secure, looks decent. **287305**

**A POLISHED DIAMOND**  
Attractive, sexy BF, 34, seeks true gentleman. You won't be disappointed when we meet! **287057**

**ONLY SERIOUS NEED REPLY**  
Voluptuous SBF, 42, would like to meet a nice, serious SWM, 35-50, who would like to become acquainted with a woman and who is ready, willing, and able to commit. **273603**

**A NEW BEGINNING**  
SBF, 47, 5'4", likes action movies, swimming, dancing, plays, outdoors, just having fun. Seeking SBM, 45-55, for friendship or more. **289151**

**PETITE AND CUTE**  
SWF, 35, great sense of style, very friendly, would like to meet a SWM, 35-45, who will love me for me. **294943**

**THAT SPECIAL ONE**  
SBF, 39, enjoys movies, walks in the park, picnics, just chilling. Looking for SBM, 39-45, for possible relationship. **295026**

**SEEKING STRONG BM**  
Can you handle me? SBF, mid 40s, healthy and beautiful, seeks strong, bald BM, 40-62, who knows how to handle his own business. I'm laid-back, gentle, soft. **295568**

**HONEST & DOWN-TO-EARTH**  
Cute, outgoing woman, 40, loves animals, the outdoors. Seeking honest, clean, honorable, compassionate gentleman, 40s-early 50s, for friendship, dating, possible LTR. **295421**

**SEEKING A MATURE MAN**  
Attractive SBPF, 35, N/S, N/Drugs, would like to meet respectable, happy SBPM, 25-50, no children to play with. **300680**

**TAKE A CHANCE**  
SBPF looking for a nice, mature, no children at home, who likes to have a good time. I enjoy going to movies, dining out, the park, outdoor and indoor activities. Let's develop a friendship first, possibly leading to more. **306228**

**SEEKING MR. RIGHT**  
SBF, 37, 5'5", nurse, mother-of-three, Christian values, N/S, social drinker, seeks SM, 32-50, race open, with similar values. **310924**

**SINGLE DAD WELCOME**  
PBF, 40, looks younger, attractive, independent, loving, caring, enjoys working, dining out, quiet times at home. Seeking handsome, well-built, warm-hearted, considerate WM, 38-43, to share what life has to offer. **298022**

**COULD YOU BE THE ONE?**  
Bright, spunky, pretty SF, 47, educator, outgoing, pretty eyes, wishing to meet a kind Jewish man, 45-60, who's looking for commitment, love and laughter. **230694**

**SEEKING A REAL MAN**  
Retired SBF, 48, likes the internet, watching tv, shopping, visiting friends, picnics, taking walks, parks, dining, hanging out with friends. Looking for a SBWM, 29-58. **3114707**

**CALLING ALL GOLFERS!**  
WWF, 62, seeking golfer, best friend, 62-70, must be honest, N/S, and active. Looking for LTR, don't delay call now. **2976914**

**LET'S GET TOGETHER**  
SBF, 54, 5'8", N/S, enjoys life's simple pleasures. Seeking SBWM, 48-62, N/S, for friendship or more. **282444**

**OUTGOING**  
BF, 24, student, looking for BM, 35-45, to go out and have fun with. Friendship first, hopefully leading to LTR. **292940**

**PRETTY EYES**  
SBF, 33, voluptuous in all the right places, enjoys life, long walks, intellectual conversation. Seeking SM, 30-50, similar interests. **298970**

**SEEKING COMPANIONSHIP**  
Attractive SWF, 55", 125lbs, fun-loving blonde, retired, would love the companionship of a pleasant gentleman, 65-75. **2891247**

**WEST SIDE BEAUTY**  
Professionally employed in the beauty field. SWF, 56", slender, 54, seeks a gentleman, 44-52, HWP, many interests including music, movies, cultural events, camping, and most things outdoors, light smoker, for friendship leading to relationship. Sincere responses only. **230791**

**ACTIVE WOMAN**  
SWF, 58, dark hair and eyes, N/S, social drinker, likes bowling, bingo, garage sales, funny movies and more. If you would like to meet for coffee, let me know. **282181**

**DOWN-TO-EARTH**  
Easygoing DWF, early 50s, would like to meet a really nice WM, 50-65, with the same qualities, minimal baggage, to share the ups and downs of life. Seeking possible LTR. **279171**

**TAKE A CHANCE!**  
SWF, 30, middle school art teacher, likes nature, music and learning new things. ISO nice gentleman, for dating and to share life together. **283945**

**IN SEARCH OF**  
a man with a positive outlook for dating, dining out and companionship. I'm a SWF, 58, 5'8", HWP and I enjoy walks, cycling, skiing, snowshoeing, and more. **288886**

**ENJOYS THE OUTDOORS**  
BF, 57", 150lbs, likes cooking, listening to music, camping and more. Would like to meet a man to enjoy life with. 36-60. **284318**

**ZOOMER SEEKS ADDED ZIP**  
SWF, 55, passionate about life, enjoys the outdoors, good political discussions, dancing, more. Would love to meet a man engaged in life. 53-70. **284371**

**SINCERE AND HONEST**  
Happy SF, loves country music, dancing. Looking for honest, sincere SWFM, 30-60, children ok, for friendship first. **284932**

**MATURE MAN WANTED**  
SBF, 33, 5'4", 115lbs, caramel complexion, brown eyes, short blonde hair, wears glasses. Seeking tall, muscular SWM, 25-40, who enjoys bookstores, movies, dining, water. **287856**

**KEEP COOL**  
SBF, 19, 5'3", looking for cool, down-to-earth, attractive SBHM, 18-25, who keeps it real. **287598**

**WARM SMILE**  
SBF, 21, N/S, looking for SM, 21-40, for friendship first, possibly more. Call me, let's talk and get to know each other. **287187**

**PRETTY COMIC BOOK NERD**  
SWF, 21, red hair, blue eyes, 5'10", 165lbs, mature body/mind, looking for a lonely handsome man 20-30, race open, clean-cut, open-minded, who can make me laugh and who is witty. **292913**

**I NEED LOVE**  
Fun-loving, down-to-earth, outgoing, smart SBF, 20, loves having fun. Seeking SBWM, 18-30, who shares my lust for life. **300010**

**SEEKING SBM COMPANION**  
I'm short and cute, brown eyes, black hair, honest, funny, good cook, very sincere. I hope to find a friend/companion to enjoy things with. Preferably 55-75. Life is too short - have fun with me. **302211**

**SEEKING LOVING KINDNESS?**  
SBPF, 65, 5'4", interested in developing new friendships, maybe more. Seeks energetic SM, 40-65, N/S, who loves reading, midnight picnics, walking, and exciting conversations. Must have good SOH and self-worth. **282618**

**HOPING WE CLICK!**  
SBF, 23, 5'1", 105lbs, wants to meet SM, 30-68, for friendship first, possibly more. Call me, let's talk. **307550**

**STILL SEEKING**  
Very cute SBF, 57, 5'3", 122lbs, interested in fit, good-looking, confident male, 46-59, N/S, intelligent, sincere, down-to-earth, who wants to commit to someone special. **311398**

**MUST LOVE THE LORD**  
SBF, 18, 5'9", gospel singer, God-fearing, looking for similar SBHM, 18-27, for possible relationship. **311174**

**LOOK NO FURTHER**  
SBF, 18, 5'4", long black hair, light brown eyes, wants to meet that SBM, 18-22, who is tired of playing games. **311011**

**GET TO KNOW ME**  
Loving, open-minded SBF, 60, 145lbs, attractive, enjoys music, dining, concerts, travel, ISO honest, compassionate SM, 57-65, N/S. Possible LTR. **293370**

**DBF SEEKS LTR**  
Attractive, thick BF seeks LTR with totally unattached male, 48-65, not into games. Must be ready to start a new found friendship and see where it goes. Ballroom dancing is a plus. **310736**

**SEEKING A GENTLEMAN**  
WF, 59", blonde, would like to meet a young-at-heart WM, 40-70, to hang out with, date and have a good time with. **310164**

**TIRED OF BEING ALONE**  
DBF, 50, 5'3", full-figured, N/S, loving, independent, intelligent, down-to-earth, great sense of humor, enjoys going out and romantic evenings at home. Seeking SDBM, 50+, with similar qualities and interests, who wants to enjoy the rest of life with no drama. **311753**

**SOPHISTICATED LADY**  
SBF middle-aged, attractive, laid-back yet serious-minded and responsible, enjoys dining, movies, plays and bowling, seeks a SM, 48-68, N/S, responsible, good sense of humor, with good values and morals, for serious relationship. **207254**

**PLUS-SIZED LADY...**  
34, 200lbs, sexy single mom, looking for SM, 37+, for friendship and dating leading to LTR. Is this you? Call me! **21234**

**ARE YOU SEEKING?**  
DWF, 60s, 5'2", Italian, brunette, attractive, well-dressed, sincere, loving, optimistic, likes theater, travel, dining, fitness. Wishing to meet NS WM, 60-72, financially secure, easygoing, good morals, loves family, for dating. **2630608**

**I NEED A LOVE...**  
to keep me happy. Attractive, classy, delightful, charming WF, 49, no kids, seeks SWM, 45+, no kids, N/S, fun, loving, caring. **258059**

**MEN SEEKING WOMEN**

**DOWN-TO-EARTH**  
Cool, humble BM, looking for a classy lady who is down-to-earth and likes having fun. 20-29. **294314**

**WORTH THE CALL**  
SBM, 35, no kids, looking for a SBF, 24-34, N/S, for good friendship possibly leading to more. Call me! **318056**

**A SPECIAL GUY**  
DWM, 56, 5'10", handsome and secure, seeks honest S/DWF, w/sense of humor, who enjoys travel, candlelight dinners, plays, dancing, concerts, boating and movies. Friendship, possible LTR. **289646**

**LET'S MAKE A CONNECTION**  
SWM, medical professional, 51, courteous, looking for fit single lady, 35-45, with whom to spend some quality time. Let's do dinner, movies, bowling, golf, tennis, swimming, or just kick back and watch a DVD. **310972**

**RU SEARCHING FOR ME?**  
WPM, 70, very active, affectionate, romantic, caring, SOH, N/S, seeks an Aries, Gemini, Cancer, Leo, Libra or Sagittarius female, 55-70, for friendship and possible relationship. Race open. Disease-free, height-weight proportionate. Down River area. **146036**

**LOOKING FOR MZ RIGHT**  
WMM, 45, 5'11", 220lbs, is easygoing, fun-loving, enjoys a variety of activities, indoor/outdoor. Looking for LTR, with the right person. **265340**

**CALL ME**  
SM, 42, would like to meet a WF, 35-45, who is outgoing and fun to be with for LTR. If you're out there, please give me a call. **317043**

**YOUR SEARCH ENDS HERE**  
SM, 55", 155lbs, brown eyes, interested in meeting a nice, honest, respectful, trustworthy woman, 35-45, for dating, possibly leading to more. **316761**

**HONESTY A MUST**  
SWM looking for an honest female, 18-44, who is interested in LTR. No games please. **317031**

**ARE WE A MATCH?**  
SWM, 30, 6'2", 175lbs, blonde/blue, outgoing, playful, loves to talk, looking for SF, 23-38, with same interests. **318166**

**MAXIMUM RETURN ON...**  
your investment. SBM, 57", seeks mature, level-headed, down-to-earth female, 30-45, for fun, dating and possible LTR. **293155**

**SOFT-SPOKEN**  
SM, 61", 200lbs, dark brown/hazel, very hard-working, looking for an honest, down-to-earth WF, 35-45, who likes movies, fishing, camping, hunting, biking riding and more. **316099**

**HARD-WORKER**  
SWM, 45, 5'5", short brown hair, grown kids, enjoys music, playing guitar, travel. Looking for similar SF, 35-45. **296097**

**FEMININE LADY WANTED**  
Attractive SWFM, 48, 5'10", 190lbs, N/S, never married, loves outdoors, going to church, traveling, family time, candle light dinners, movies, long walks, holding hands, good conversation, seeking sweet, feminine lady, 30-50, for possible LTR. **291990**

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

**A WALK AND A TALK**  
Try this easygoing, lovely SWM, 50, good listener, who enjoys book stores, coffee shops, nature and concerts. I seek a like-minded counterpart for where ever it goes. **200890**

**EASYGOING**  
Sharp, sociable SWM, 45, with good character and pleasant personality, likes the outdoors, fishing, motor sports etc. WLTM SWF, for dating and fun times. **187614**

**SEEKING EBONY WOMAN**  
Attractive SWPM, 41, seeking BF for dating. New to area and looking to explore the city. Sense of humor, easygoing, attractive, HWP proportionate, affectionate, established, likes to travel. **282579**

**WORTH A CALL**  
Attractive SBM, 30, 5'8", 120lbs, blonde, laid-back, for dating, friendship, possible LTR. You won't be disappointed! **283615**

**WORTH THE CALL**  
SBM, 41, N/S, seeks open-minded, fun, nice young lady, 21-50, to spend some time together and get to know. **283851**

**LET'S MEET SOON!**  
SWM, 44, 190lbs, very good-looking, very fit, I have a good job, seeks nice woman, 25-44, to spend time with, leading to serious LTR. **247784**

**WANTED: ONE NICE GIRL**  
SHF, 46, 5'10", average build, likes going out and having fun, movies, parties, just chilling and relaxing. Seeking SHAF, late 30s, for possible relationship. **289039**

**YOU NEED ME**  
SBM, 43, slim, well-groomed, attractive, seek attractive, slim lady to get to know, for dating, maybe more. You won't be disappointed! **291112**

**QUALITY TIME**  
SBM, 42, 6'3", 200lbs+, no children, light smoker, looking for SBF, 35-45, who enjoys bowling, movies, shooting pool. **3291168**

**IS THIS LOVE?**  
SWM, 34, 170lbs, 5'9", into Church of Satan, the macabre, theater, movie critique, music and living. Former musician seeking woman, 25-40, into the occult and ritual. **292920**

**SEMI-RETIRED**  
SBM, 41, 6'1", 220lbs, N/S, light drinker, likes movies, music, dancing, dining out, travel, bowling and relaxing at home. Seeking SWF, 21-50, with similar interests, to settle down with. **293532**

**IT COULD BE ME!**  
SWM, 35, 6', brown/blue, muscular build, looking for special SF, 18-31, to hang out with and get to know. **294679**

**LET'S TALK**  
SWM, 40, 5'5", loves to party! Looking for a female companion, 18-35, for friendship first, possibly more if it develops! **294946**

**TALK TO ME!**  
SM, 36, 6'2", 210lbs, medium build, loves working out. Seeking sweet, loving, caring, kind SWBF, 35-45. **294942**

**MATURE WOMAN WANTED**  
SBM, 51", 207lbs, dark complexion, no kids, N/S, N/Drugs, looking for SBF, 29-40, with same qualities. No drama! **285452**

**TAKE A CHANCE**  
WM, 38, likes cars, all kinds of music, having fun, movies and more. Looking for a woman, 30-59, to have fun with. **296181**

**LET'S SEE WHAT HAPPENS**  
WM, 62", 200lbs, light brown/blue, N/S, clean-shaven, down-to-earth, looking for a female, 25-45, HWP proportionate, N/S, for dating. **296310**

**LET'S TALK**  
BM looking for BF, 26-54, with good sense of humor, who loves bowling, long walks and more. **296604**

**TIRED OF GAMES?**  
Intelligent, attractive guy, 38, 6', slim, seeks woman, 30-40, who's average build. I like movies, music, sports, concerts, etc. Open to new things you might like. Look forward to your call! **297179**

**FUNNY & ATTRACTIVE**  
SWM, 44, 5'7", likes outdoor activities, cooking, movies, kids, animals. Seeking SWF, 30-45, to spend time together. **297143**

**LET'S GET TOGETHER**  
BM, 61", 220lbs, would like to meet a woman, 25-48, who knows what she wants in life, for fun, dating, companionship and possible LTR. **299087**

**SEEKING A GIRLFRIEND**  
SBM, 35, 6'3", 180lbs, brown eyes, likes singing, travel, basketball. Seeking similar woman, 20-35. **299411**

**LET'S TALK**  
SWM, 39, 6'3", N/S, dark/blue, enjoys sports, movies, dining, seeking attractive SBHF, 18-50, for possible relationship. **299949**

**NO DRAMA**  
SBM, 36, 5'11", 165lbs, slim build, medium complexion, well-groomed, D/D-free, N/D, spiritual, drama-free, no children, independent, romantic, college-educated, family-oriented, seeks cute, slim, down-to-earth female, 30-49. **299975**

**ARE YOU MISS RIGHT?**  
SBM, 42, 5'10", 225lbs, light-complected, from Detroit East Side, business owner, N/S, N/D, N/Drugs, no drama, homeowner, seeks strong woman, 25-35, who is sexy, determined, assertive and together. **300038**

**TALL, DARK, HANDSOME**  
SBM, 39, seeks quiet, artistically creative woman, 49-61, with a beautiful mind. I hope you are the right one! **300709**

Westland-Garden City

# Strictly Business

IT'S YOUR BUSINESS Q&A

## Rick's: Customizing your ride

**RICK'S CUSTOM CYCLE**

**Business Name:** Rick's Custom Cycle.  
**Business address:** 31532 Ford, Garden City.  
**Your name and Title:** Rick Livy, vice-president.  
**Your Hometown:** Westland.  
**Business Opened when:** May 9, 2009.  
**Number of employees:** Three.  
**Your business specialty:** Repairing and customizing motorcycles, ATVs and snowmobiles.  
**Hours of operation:** 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday or by appointment.  
**Business phone/or Web site:** (734) 762-2077 or www.rickscustomcycle.com.



Jim Livy and his son Rick repair and customize motorcycles, ATVs and snowmobiles at Rick's Custom Cycle in Garden City.

**Observer:** Tell us about your business, including the types of services and/or products you feature.

We're a family-owned business with more than 20 years' experience in mechanics, customizing and fabricating. We offer a full repair facility for all makes and models, full line of parts for all makes and models and full line of apparel.

List of services include but are not limited to: Oil changes, tuneups, first services, tires, routine maintenance, engine rebuilds, transmission rebuilds, ground-up chopper builds, chrome, polishing, powder coating, fabricating and full service on ATVs and snowmobile repairs, etc.

**Observer:** What makes your business unique?

We believe in customer service and making sure we do the best we can for our customers. We have built our reputation on trust and honesty. We treat our customers like people not just another receipt.

**Observer:** How did you first decide to open your own business?

Jobs were becoming scarce,

as well as good service too. Places are closing up left and right and people still need work done to their machines and they need a place to go where they can still be treated fair in these hard times. We saw opportunity and it brings hope to the community and our customers to see that in rough times some good can come out of them.

**Observer:** How did you decide to locate in the Garden City community?

We live in Garden City and wanted to give back to the community. A lot of motorcyclists live in the city and we wanted to give them

a place close to home instead of going to other cities to get service and parts.

**Observer:** Do you have a funny tidbit or story to share with our readers about your experience so far as a small business owner.

Being a small business owner is a lot of work but seeing how happy our customers are when they leave makes it all worth it. We'd really like to thank all our customers, friends and family for all their support. There are so many people who just stop in to check us out and to say congratulations, it's good to see a motorcycle shop in Garden City — and as a small business owner that means a lot!

BUSINESS MILESTONES

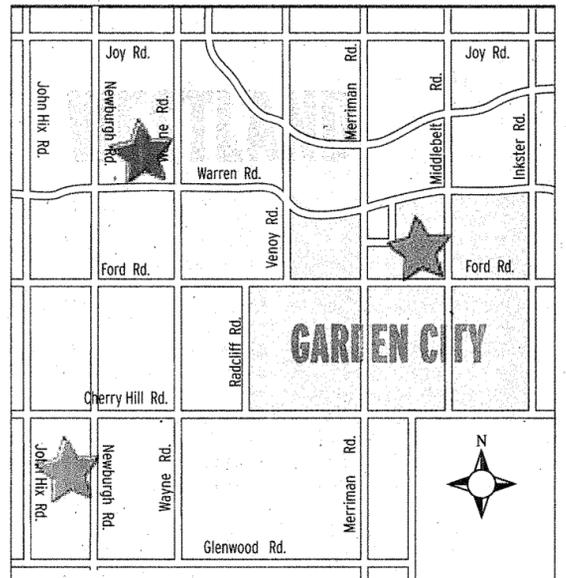
**SOMETHING NEW**

**New location**

Look for C&M Printing at its new location on South Newburgh. The printing company has closed its retail operation at 5854 Wayne Road location to move into the Advanced Truck and Trailer building at 426 S. Newburgh. Hours will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, allowing "flexibility for sales calls and servicing our customers." For more information, call (734) 729-5401 or e-mail candmprinting@aol.com.

**A new look**

Verizon Wireless has relocated its communications store in Westland to 35000 Warren Road. The new 3,330-square-foot store showcases a new and highly interactive retail concept that is a departure from Verizon Wireless' traditional retail store design. Customers can pick up and try more than 48 functioning wireless phones and experience on-demand access to more than five million downloadable songs and cutting-edge 3D games, short news, weather, sports and entertainment video clips. The store also features accessories, such as Bluetooth® headsets as well as laptops with wireless cards and modems and interactive television screens. The new Verizon Wireless Communications Store is open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday-Saturday and from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call (734) 513-4096.



calendar, make it a date to be at the store at 29522 Ford, just west of Middlebelt, starting Friday, July 20. The sale runs for one week. Hours are from 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, Thursday and Friday, from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday and from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday. Hershey's carries such brand as Hush Puppies Jumping Jack, Rockport, Florshiem, Naturalizer, Merrell and Life Stride. For more information, call (734) 422-1771 or visit the store Web site at www.hersheysshoes.com.

**Such a deal!**

Who doesn't love a bargain? Shoppers in the know are heading to the post office to enjoy a 75-percent discount on select U.S. Postal Service merchandise, including matted and framed artwork. Discounts on select Postal Service-branded items are available until August at the Westland Post Office at 6300 N. Wayne Road, north of Ford, and the Garden City Post Office at 140 Merriman at Cherry Hill. Later this fall, customers will find enhanced product displays and a different mix of merchandise to better

fit their needs — mailing and shipping supplies, such as ReadyPost boxes, mailers, tape and bubble wrap, mail-related merchandise, such as scales and stamp dispensers, U.S. Postal Service-branded and promotional merchandise, such as passport holders, and philatelic products, including stamp yearbooks, stamped postal cards and stationery.

**AVAILABLE**

**Gathering place**

Need to hold a meeting? Maybe a bridal or baby shower or luncheon? Consider the Westland Shopping Center Community Room. With 2,000 square feet of space, it can accommodate more than 185 people. Table and chairs are available with the rental, and the room can be reserved for a half day or four hours for \$100 or \$175 for a full day. There's a refundable \$75 deposit required, and payment is due 24 hours before the event. Catering also is available from Panera, Longhorn Steakhouse, Subway, Ashley's, Lakeshore Grill and Olga's. For more information, call (734) 425-5001.

**HAPPENINGS**

**Batter up!**

Members of the Westland Chamber of Commerce are invited to watch the Detroit Tigers play on Friday, Aug. 7. Tickets are priced at \$20 each and must be reserved by July 15. Game time is 7:05 p.m. vs. the Minnesota Twins. You can order tickets through the chamber Web site at www.westlandchamber.com or by calling (734) 326-7222.

**Sidewalk Sale**

It's almost time for Hershey's Shoes' famous sidewalk sale. Circle your

BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS

Help from Sam's

United Home Health Service in Canton, has received a \$1,000 donation from Sam's Club in Canton for its Patient Support Fund.

"We are so very grateful to Sam's Club for their generosity and support of United. We see so many patients in need on a daily basis — their donation will help us to provide food, clothing, emergency medications, transportation, and medical equipment to patients who cannot afford these items,"

President Penny Rhein said. "With the struggling economy, we are also providing more home care services to individuals who do not have health insurance, so this donation is very timely."

Sam's Club has also been providing fresh flowers occasionally for United Home Health Services' patients.

"The flowers really brighten our patients' day. They get such a big smile on their face when I walk into their home with a big bouquet!" nurse Kathy Pastoria said.

Affiliated with Garden City Hospital, United Home Health Services is a not-for-profit, Medicare-certified home care company that has been provided skilled nursing, physical, occupational, and speech therapy, home health aide, social work, and registered dietitian services in the comfort of clients' own home. It also provides caregiver and companion services.

For more information, call Mary Jane Swanson at (734) 981-8820 or go online to www.uhhs.org.

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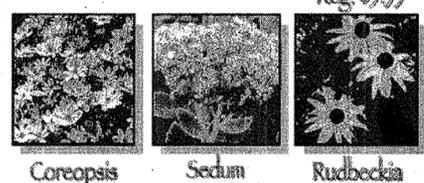
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**JULY 23-29**

**Golf outing deadline**

July 25 is the final day to register for the 14th Annual Ed Day Golf Classic, sponsored by the athletics program of St. Michael the Archangel Parish of Livonia. The event will start at 9 a.m. Aug. 8, at Fox Creek Golf Course in Livonia and includes 18 holes of golf, cart rental, lunch at the turn, banquet dinner in the clubhouse, prizes, and fun for all. Teams and individual golfers are welcome and sponsorships are still available. Half of the team deposit is required at registration. All golfers must be at least 18 and soft spikes are required. Register online at [www.livoniastmichael.org](http://www.livoniastmichael.org) or by calling (734) 464-4523; (734) 968-3161; or (734) 777-8791.

**Annual soccer camp**

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church provides an opportunity for beginning and intermediate soccer players to learn and develop proper skills and knowledge of the game through a mini-camp, 6:30-8 p.m., Monday-Thursday, July 27-30, at the church, 14175 Farmington Road, north of I-96, Livonia. The mini-camp offers small group instruction and individual attention for boys and girls of any skill level, age 5-12 years. Call (734) 522-6830 or visit [www.christoursavior.org](http://www.christoursavior.org). Cost is \$30 per student, includes instruction, T-shirt, snacks, and a soccer ball to take home. Fee payable at time of registration.

**Vacation Bible School**

"Good News Clues," 6:30-8 p.m., July 27-31, at Faith Community Church, 14560 Merriman, Livonia. Aimed at grades 1-6. Register by calling Melissa at (734) 466-8694.

**JULY 30-AUG. 5**

**Vacation Bible school**

9 a.m.-noon, Aug. 3-7, at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 34567 Seven Mile, in Livonia. Activities include worship, crafts, games, science, music, Bible stories and more. Registration is \$25 for the first child in the family,

\$20 for the second child, and \$15 for each additional child. Registration fees include a T-shirt for each child and a VBS music CD. Call Judy Cook at Emmanuel at (248) 442-0307, or e-mail to [elc-ed@arounddetroit.biz](mailto:elc-ed@arounddetroit.biz) for additional details and registration information.

**ONGOING**

**AWANA**

Every Wednesday night Faith Bible Church offers an AWANA program for children from kindergarten through fifth grade at Faith Bible Church, 23414 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Drop children off or stay for a Bible study offered to parents from 7-8:30 p.m. For more information, call (248) 426-0096.

**Classes/study**

■ New Life Community Church, 42200 Tyler, Belleville, offers a jobs seminar, 8-9 a.m., Fridays, a reading program for students in grades K-12 and martial arts instruction, both at 10 a.m., Sundays. (734) 846-4615

■ Orchard United Methodist Church, 30450 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills, is hosting a Tai Chi Class by Sam Purdy, Wu Style Tai Chi. This meditative form of Martial Arts is designed to reduce stress and is great for over-all health memory and balance. Everyone is welcome from beginning to experienced participants at any time. Classes continue every Monday. Cost per class depends on number of participants. For information or to reserve your space, call (248) 701-1587 or (248) 626-3620. Visit [www.orchardumc.org](http://www.orchardumc.org) for updates.

■ Adult and English as a Second Language literacy classes are available for those who want to improve reading, writing and English conversational skills. Open to age 18 and over. Trained tutors available for day or evening.

For information, call Merriman Road Baptist Church in Garden City at (734) 421-0472.

Leave your name and phone number and someone will contact you.

■ Scripture studies, from 7-8:30 p.m. Mondays in the lower level of Our Lady of Loretto Church, Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford. Call (313) 534-9000.

■ Learner's Bible study, 7 p.m., Mondays, in Room A101, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville. Call (248) 374-5920.

■ Learn Qigong, the ancient form of Chinese energetic medicine - a safe and effective way to rid the body of toxic pathogens and years of painful emotions - at Livonia Unity, 28660 Five Mile. Classes include: Monday

movement Qigong, 7-8:30 p.m.; Thursday Qigong meditation, 10-11:15 a.m., and Friday Therapeutic Qigong, 7-8:30 p.m. Call (810) 813-4073 for more information or send e-mail to [gary@energeticarts.org](mailto:gary@energeticarts.org).

■ Bible study, 7 p.m., first and third Thursdays, at St. Michael the Archangel Church, located at the southwest corner of Plymouth and Hubbard Roads. The informal classes are open to all interested persons regardless of religious affiliation. To register, call (734) 261-1445, Ext. 200.

■ Bible talks, 4 p.m., Sundays at the Friendship Center, 1119 Newburgh, Westland. Call (734) 728-9157.

■ Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Livonia invites adults with developmental disabilities and special needs to attend a new Open Arms Bible class the second Monday of the month at the church, 34567 Seven Mile, between Farmington and Newburgh roads, Livonia. The class will include songs, Bible lessons, crafts and activities, prayer, snacks and fun. Contact Judy Cook at Emmanuel, (248) 442-8822 or e-mail to [elc-ed@arounddetroit.biz](mailto:elc-ed@arounddetroit.biz).

■ Tuesday Ladies Bible Study from 9:30-11:15 a.m. Tuesdays, at Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty, north of Eight Mile. \$15 registration fee includes interdenominational study materials. Child care available for children through age 5. Call (248) 348-7600.

■ A study/discussion group focuses on relationship with God and that of other religious groups and philosophical and scientific issues that might impact faith, at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 26701 Joy. A group at 10:30 a.m., Thursday examines early writings not included in the Bible as well as other versions, extensions and controversies concerning Christianity. Led by interim pastor Larry Hoxey. (313) 274-3820.

**Concerts**

■ Rush Hour concert series continues every Tuesday with gathering and refreshments at 5 p.m., concert 5:30-6 p.m., featuring performances by local and national jazz artists at Metropolitan United Methodist Church, 8000 Woodward, Detroit. Free. Visit [www.metroumc.org](http://www.metroumc.org).

**Fellowship dinner**

The Cookie Lady, Susan Navarro, caters dinners at 6 p.m., Thursday, at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Cost is \$8. Call (313) 534-7730.

**Hall rental**

Volkmar Hall located in Good Hope Lutheran Church, 28600 Cherry

Hill, between Inkster and Middlebelt roads, Garden City, is available for rent. For information, call (734) 427-3660.

**Prayer**

■ Music, singing, prayer at 7 p.m. Thursdays at St. Edith Church, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. Enter through entrance #2, at the back of the church. For more information, call Grace at (734) 464-1896, Shirley at (734) 464-3656, or Geri at (734) 464-8906.

■ 7 p.m. Wednesday, at Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. Participate in an open time of praying silently and aloud together as well as responding to personal requests. Call (248) 476-8860.

■ Parish prayer and Eucharistic Adoration, third Wednesday of each month at St. Michael's Church of Livonia, corner of Plymouth and Hubbard roads. The church will be open for worship from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. followed by Benediction service. For information, call (734) 261-1455.

■ 7-9 p.m. the first and third Tuesdays of the month for prayer, spiritual healing and outreach at Good Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church, 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City. Call (734) 427-3660 for information.

**Singles**

■ Single Point Ministries, for ages 30 and older, offers fellowship and related topics at 11:30 a.m., Sundays, in Knox Hall at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville. Coffee, doughnuts, conversation. Call (248) 374-5920. Tennis continues from 1-5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, and 4-7 p.m. weekdays any time the weather is above 45 degrees, at Rotary Park, Six Mile and Hubbard, Livonia. Walking club meets at 6 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday in the Single Point office. All fitness levels welcome.

■ Single Place Ministry continues to meet Thursdays 7:30-7:45 p.m. for social time, 7:45-8 p.m. opening, 8-9 p.m. program, at First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main St., Northville. Call (248) 349-0911 or visit [www.singleplace.org](http://www.singleplace.org). Cost is \$5.

**Soup kitchen**

Learn about the Capuchin Soup Kitchen and the Solanus Casey Center in Detroit by participating in its "Day of Service" program. Dine with guests at the soup kitchen, tour the Earth Works urban garden, and take a self-guided tour of the Solanus Casey Center, a spirituality center dedicated to the Capuchin friar who is credited with miraculous cures and valued for his wise and compassionate counsel. The minimum age is seventh grade and the maximum size of the group is 30. The day starts at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 2:30 p.m. There is no cost. Lunch included. For information, send e-mail to [crcrane@thecapuchins.org](mailto:crcrane@thecapuchins.org). To learn more about the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, visit [www.cskdetroit.org](http://www.cskdetroit.org).

**Support**

■ A weekly drop-in Food Cupboard (nonperishable items) is available 10 a.m. to noon Saturday mornings at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 16360 Hubbard, Livonia. There are no requirements, this a service the church wants the community to be aware of and utilize if needed. Donations of nonperishable items also accepted for the cupboard.

■ Are you or someone you know struggling with depression, divorce, grief, addiction, relationship difficulties, or job loss? Real Life Church through its volunteers and partnerships with area ministries and professionals provides classes, seminars, care, support & recovery groups, counseling, and prayer to help you get through life challenges. Visit the Web site for details on current classes and groups offered as well as location, days and times [www.realifelymph.com](http://www.realifelymph.com). ■ The Clothing Bank has moved to a new location west of Canton Christian Fellowship. Free clothing (men,

women and children) for those in need is available 10 a.m.-noon the fourth Saturday of each month, at 41711 Joy Rd. Call (734) 404-2480, visit [www.CantonCF.org](http://www.CantonCF.org) or send e-mail to [info@cantoncf.org](mailto:info@cantoncf.org) for information.

■ Overeaters Anonymous meets 7 p.m. Thursdays in the Courtyard Room at Unity of Livonia Church, 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster roads, Livonia, and 7 p.m. Sundays, in Classroom 1 at the Marion Professional Building at St. Mary's Hospital, 14555 Levan at Five Mile, Livonia. (313) 387-9797. [www.aa.org](http://www.aa.org)

■ St. John's Support Group for the Caregiver's of Alzheimer's patients or patients with other forms of dementia meets at 10 a.m., the first and third Friday of each month at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth. Respite care is provided. Call Connie McNutt at (734) 895-1426. This group is authorized by the Alzheimer's Association. Take Off Pounds Sensibly, meets at 7 p.m. every Thursday at St. Thomas a' Becket Church, 555 S. Lilley, Canton. Weigh-in is from 6:15-6:55 p.m. for this weight support group that encourages members to lose weight and keep it off. Call Margaret at (734) 838-0322.

■ Western Oakland Parkinson Support Group meets 7-9 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month except January, July and August, at Farmington Hills Baptist Church, 28301 Middlebelt, between 12 Mile and 13 Mile. Enter at rear of church. For more information, call (248) 433-1011.

■ Addiction No More offers support for addictive behavior problems, drugs, alcohol, overeating, gambling, 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday in Room 202 at Detroit World Outreach, 23800 W. Chicago, Redford. For more information, call (313) 255-2222, Ext. 244.

**Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church**

in Northville offers Celebrate Recovery, a Christ-centered recovery program helping men and women find freedom from hurts, habits and hang-ups (addictive and compulsive behaviors), meets every Friday for 6 p.m. dinner (optional), 7 p.m. praise and worship, 8 p.m. small group discussion, 9 p.m. Solid Rock Cafe (optional coffee and desserts). Child care during Celebrate Recovery is free and available by calling (248) 374-7400. For information, visit [www.celebraterecovery.com](http://www.celebraterecovery.com) and [www.wardchurch.org/celebrate](http://www.wardchurch.org/celebrate).

**Thrift store**

Open Wednesdays 9:30-11:30 a.m. and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Call (313) 534-7730.

**Worship**

■ Adat Shalom Synagogue, 29901 Middlebelt, Farmington Hills: 6 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. and 9 p.m., Saturday, 7:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m., Sunday and 6 p.m., week days. (248) 851-5100.

■ Anglican Church of Livonia: 7:45 a.m. at Trinity Church, 34500 Six Mile, west of Farmington Road, Livonia, 10 a.m., service at Livonia YMCA, 14255 Stark, between Lyndon and the I-96 service drive. [www.hischurch.us](http://www.hischurch.us).

■ Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, just north of I-96, Livonia: 9:45 a.m., Sunday, contemporary multimedia service is informal, using modern and praise music, led by vocalists and various instruments, and occasionally dramas; 8:15 a.m. and 11 a.m. traditional services; 9:45 a.m. and 11 a.m., Sunday school and youth and adult Bible classes. (734) 522-6830.

■ Community Free Will Baptist Church, 33031 Cherry Hill, west of Venoy, Westland: 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., Sunday worship, 9:45 a.m., Sunday school, 7 p.m., Wednesday prayer and Bible study. Youth fellowship 7 p.m., every other Friday.

■ Due Season Christian Church holds services at Stevenson High School on Six Mile, west of Farmington Road, in Livonia: Nondenominational, multicultural, full gospel church services at 10 a.m. Sunday, with 7:15 p.m., Tuesday Bible study. (248) 960-8063

or visit [www.DueSeason.org](http://www.DueSeason.org). ■ Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile, west of Middlebelt, Livonia: 9:30 a.m., Sunday, 8:15 a.m., learning hour is at 8:15 a.m. for all ages. Visit [www.livonfaith.org](http://www.livonfaith.org).

■ Garden City Presbyterian Church, Middlebelt one block south of Ford Road: 10 a.m. Sunday worship service with traditional hymns, scripture readings and choral music; 10 a.m., youth Sunday school and nursery care; 8:30 a.m. adult Sunday school; 6 p.m., informal gathering with scriptures and discussion every Sunday. Call (734) 421-7620.

■ Good Hope Lutheran Church, 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City: 9:30 a.m. Sunday school followed by 10:30 a.m. worship service with communion each Sunday; Bible study 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays. (734) 427-3660.

■ Grace Lutheran Church, 46001 Warren, between Canton Center and Beck, Canton: 8 a.m. traditional Sunday service, and 10:30 a.m., contemporary; Sunday school and adult Bible study at 9:15 a.m. (734) 637-8160.

■ Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church, 30650 Six Mile, Livonia: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m., Sunday, 9 a.m., Faith Forum, 10 a.m. Sunday School, 7:30 p.m., Wednesday worship in the chapel. Call (734) 427-1414.

■ New Beginnings United Methodist Church, 16175 Delaware at Puritan, Redford: 10:30 a.m., Sundays. (313) 255-6330.

■ New Life Community Church, 42200 Tyler, Belleville: 11 a.m., Sunday. (734) 846-4615 or [www.newlifecommunitychurch4u.com](http://www.newlifecommunitychurch4u.com)

■ Plymouth Baptist Church, 42021 Ann Arbor Trail, west of Haggerty: 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m., Sunday worship. Both services feature contemporary and traditional worship music and in-depth Bible teaching. Full nursery and preschool programs available at both services. (734) 453-5534.

■ Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 37775 Palmer, Westland: 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday school with an education hour from 9:30-10:40 a.m. Social hour follows each service. (734) 722-1735.

■ Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh, Livonia: Non-traditional service designed to touch all the senses. 6:30 p.m., every second and fourth Sunday of the month at the church. Step into the light with relevant messages and modern music in a casual atmosphere. (734) 464-0990.

■ Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard, Livonia: 9 a.m., last Sunday of the month features a contemporary service with church members presenting a short drama on a theme relevant to the season, a church event, or current newsworthy situation. For more information, call (734) 422-0494.

■ St. John Lutheran Church, 23225 Gill Road, Farmington Hills: 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Sunday; traditional worship at 9 a.m., Sunday, and contemporary service at 11:15 a.m. Sunday. Call (248) 474-0584 for additional information.

■ St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 Six Mile, Livonia: contemporary service, 11:30 a.m., fourth Sunday of the month. (734) 422-6038.

■ St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, one block west of Inkster, Livonia: 10 a.m., Sunday. (734) 422-1470.

■ Trinity Episcopal Church, 11575 Belleville Road, four miles south of Michigan Avenue: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m., Sunday, 6:15 p.m., Wednesday, 6 p.m., Sunday Bible studies and worship center for all ages includes dinner, child care. Call (734) 699-3361.

■ Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster roads: 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m., Sundays. (734) 421-1760.

■ Westwood Community Church, 1119 N. Newburgh, Westland: 10-11:15 a.m., Sunday, Come as you are. Coffee and doughnuts, children's church every Sunday.



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**(Nettie) DALE DOWNEY LAMB**

86 years old long - time resident of Redford, Michigan. This loving, thoughtful, compassionate, generous, independent woman passed away 6.29.09. Loving wife of the late Robert A. Lamb, Proud loving mother of Michael (Diana) Lamb, Linda (Bill) Lawshe, Steven (the late Terrie) Lamb. Loving Grandmother of Todd, Patrick, Jasone, Benjamin Timothy, Stacy & the late Jeffrey and a "new" grandmother to Pete, Angela and Ryan. And loving Great-grandmother of Isabella, Maggie & Lucas. Dale was the eldest daughter of the Late Mary (Gouge) and Charles Downey of Royal Oak, Michigan. She was the eldest sister of Marilyn (Pat) Feore, Crystal (Don) Guirey, Emily (Gail) Lovelace, Chuck (the late Barbara) Downey and the late Carol Watson. She was a graduate of The Royal Oak High School class of 1940. Please join us for a Memorial Celebration Sat., July 18th 1:00 pm until Service at 2:00 pm at Charles Step Funeral Home, 18425 Beech Daly (Btwn. 6 - 7 Mile). In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in her name to: Brain Injury Assoc. of Michigan, 7305 Grand River, Suite 100, Brighton, Michigan 48114 (envelopes available @ service). And, per Mom's wishes, please join us for a picnic/swim celebration @ Mike & Diana's house after her Memorial Service.

**RONALD A. SCHOMER**

Age 61, of Westland, July 13, 2009. Beloved husband of Sandra. Loving father of Lisa (Pat) McDonagh, Lori (Stephen) Garchar, Ronald (Penny) Schomer Jr., Clint (Jennifer) Farley and Jonathan (Erika) Farley. Dearest grandfather of 10. He was preceded in death by his parents, Louis and Jeannette Schomer. Funeral service is Thursday, 10:30 AM at Michigan Memorial Funeral Home, (next to Michigan Memorial Park) 30895 Huron River Dr., Huron Twp., (734) 783-2646. Visitation was Tuesday, 6:00-9:00 PM and Wednesday, 12:00-9:00 PM. Interment in Michigan Memorial Park.

**EVELYN BRAGG DANIEL**

On Monday, July 13, 2009, Evelyn Bragg Daniel, 87, went to be with her Lord, and to be greeted by all of her loved ones who have gone before her. Funeral services will be held 10 a.m. Saturday at Arlington Funeral Home Chapel. Visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at Arlington Funeral Home. Evelyn was born July 5, 1922, in Moscow, Ky. She was the daughter of Woodford and Mora Bragg. She married Wiley Daniel in 1940, and they had five children while living in Union City, Tenn. Evelyn moved to Plymouth, MI in 1954 where she worked and retired from the Plymouth School District. After retirement they returned to Clinton, Ky, and lived there for two years before moving to Texas. Evelyn was a member of Lamar Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Wiley; twins; two sisters, Lena and Edith; and three brothers, Aaron, Morris, and Gene. Survivors: Sons, Lynn Daniel and wife, Toni, and John Daniel and wife, Ann; daughter, Mary Jean Steinmetz and husband, Melvin; she will be missed by all of them, as well as her six grandchildren, David Daniel, Richard Daniel, Kim Peach, Sarah Steinmetz, Greg Daniel, and Jennifer Bassier; and five great-grandchildren, Lane, Isabella, Cooper, Landon, and Campbell. Arlington Funeral Home, 1221 E. Division St., 817-548-1791

**MILLIE D. HENSLEY**

Age 78, July 12, 2009. Beloved wife of Howard for 60 years. Sister of Duane (Velda) Durham and Helen Durham. Also survived by several nieces and nephews. She was a wonderful lady who will be missed by all who knew her. Funeral Service Thursday 11:30am at the John N. Santeui and Son Funeral Home, 1139 Inkster (between Ford Rd. and Cherry Hill). Memorials suggested to the USO.

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## Go 'behind the scenes' of dailies during Historical Society tour

The Detroit Historical Society's popular weekly "Behind the Scenes" series, sponsored by the DTE Energy Foundation, continues with a special tour of the Detroit Media Partnership Sterling Heights Operations Facility at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 25.

The *Detroit Free Press* was first published as the *Democratic Free Press* and *Michigan Intelligencer* in 1831. The *Detroit News* began publication in 1873 and rented space in the *Detroit Free Press* building. In 1987, the two newspapers entered into a 100-year joint operating agreement that combined their business operations and resulted in the Detroit Media Partnership.

During this special tour, guests will go behind the scenes at the Sterling Heights Operations Facility and see how the papers are created, printed and distributed to your doorstep.

The cost for the tour is \$20 for Detroit Historical Society members and \$30 for guests. Telephone reservations can be accepted with a Visa or MasterCard 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays. Tickets are not sold the day of the tour. Those who register receive directions to the tour location, a map, and additional information in the mail prior to the tour.

For more information or to reserve a spot, call (313) 833-1801, or visit [www.detroithistorical.org](http://www.detroithistorical.org).

**KNOW THE SCORE: Check out the numbers in today's Sports section**

# Physical therapist assistant comes to the rescue for Detroit Zoo flamingo

The Detroit Zoo's keeper staff had to think outside the bird's nest recently when it came to treating the bowed leg of one of its flamingos. A therapeutic taping method most commonly known for its use on athletes at the 2008 Beijing Olympics turned out to be the perfect solution.

While hand-rearing Ashton, a male Chilean flamingo born in October 2008, bird care staff noticed a progressive rotation in one leg as he continued to grow. When regular exercise did not solve the problem, it became evident that alternative treatment would be necessary. If left untreated, the condition can lead to scar tissue formation and a painful arthritic condition from bone-on-bone contact.

Zookeepers and veterinary staff thought Ashton's leg abnormality could be remedied noninvasively and enlisted the help of Stacey Lonser, a local physical therapist assistant trained in the Kinesio Taping Method. The therapeutic taping method, using Kinesio Tex Tape, is traditionally used on humans to decrease pain, increase circulation and restore tissue normality. The tape drew worldwide attention last year when it was used on prominent athletes — including USA Olympic beach volleyball gold medalist Kerri Walsh — at the Summer Games.

Kinesio Tex Tape, which is durable, elastic and waterproof, uses stretch to re-educate the neuromuscular system. Once applied, the tape gently recoils toward its anchor, providing non-restrictive support and allowing a full range of motion. With the Kinesio Taping Method, Ashton is able to engage in regular activity while the tape encourages proper bone alignment.

Once a week, Lonser visits the Detroit Zoo on her own time to measure Ashton's progress and

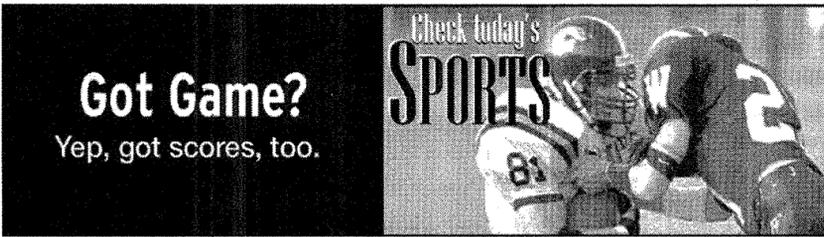
re-apply the tape. Since beginning treatment in April, the flamingo's leg has improved from being twisted at a 12-degree angle to a 4-degree angle. Zookeepers plan to continue Ashton's treatment for a few more weeks, at which time a full recovery is anticipated.

"We are pleased with the results of the taping method and feel fortunate to have the opportunity to work with Stacey to noninvasively improve the health of the flamingo," said Director of Conservation and Animal Welfare Scott Carter.

Detroit Zoo visitors can see Ashton — still sporting his Kinesio Tex Tape — and the other two dozen Chilean flamingos in the South American animals habitat across from the Horace H. Rackham Memorial Fountain.

The Detroit Zoological Society is a non-profit organization that operates the Detroit Zoo and Belle Isle Nature Zoo. Situated on 125 acres of naturalistic exhibits, the Detroit Zoo is located at the intersection of 10 Mile Road and Woodward Avenue, just off I-696, in Royal Oak. The Detroit Zoo is open daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. April through October (open at 9 a.m. May 1 through Labor Day) — with extended hours until 8 p.m. Wednesdays during July and August — and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. November through March.

Admission is \$11 for adults 15 to 61, \$9 for senior citizens 62 and older, and \$7 for children ages 2 to 14; children under 2 are free. For more information, call (248) 541-5717 or visit [www.detroitzoo.org](http://www.detroitzoo.org). The Belle Isle Nature Zoo is open daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. year-round and provides educational programming with interpretive staff support from the Huron-Clinton Metroparks. Admission is free. For more information, call (313) 852-4056.



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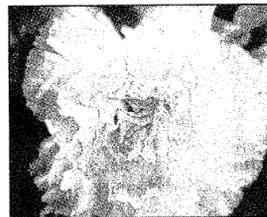
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GET OUT

ART EVENTS

**Orchard Lake Fine Art Show**  
**Time/Date:** July 24-26  
**Location:** Orchard Lake St. Mary's Schools, Orchard Lake  
**Details:** Artist awards, demonstrations, entertainment, kids activities and a youth art competition  
**Contact:** (248) 684-2613, www.HotWorks.com



Carnation, by Laura Williams, is on display in a show of floral works at Northville Art House.

ART EXHIBITS

**Art In Bloom**  
**Time/Date:** Through July 18  
**Location:** Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady Street, Northville  
**Details:** All-media juried floral arts show. Free  
**Contact:** 248-344-0497, www.northvillearts.org

COMEDY

**Go Comedy!**  
**Time/Date:** Various show times Wednesdays thru Sundays.  
**Location:** 261 E. Nine Mile, Ferndale  
**Details:** Improv most nights. Three original sketch comedies 8 p.m. Thursdays: Jeremy Conn and Garrett Fuller, both of Garden City, perform in their one-act comedic play, Travel Earth Timeshares, through Sept. 24. Wednesdays, admission \$5; shows at 8 p.m., 9 p.m., 10 p.m. Thursdays, admission \$10; shows 8 p.m., 10 p.m., 11:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, admission \$15 for early shows and \$5 for late show; 8 p.m., 9 p.m., 10 p.m. Sundays, admission \$10 for early show, \$5 second and third shows. Open mic/jam session show for improvisers is at 10 p.m., Wednesdays.  
**JD's House of Comedy**  
**Time/Date:** Various show times Wednesday thru Saturday evenings  
**Location:** 25333 W. 12 Mile, inside Star Theatre complex, Southfield  
**Details:** Stand-up shows, 8 p.m. Thursday and 8 p.m., 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday; Apollo amateur night, 8 p.m. Wednesday  
**Contact:** (248) 348-2420 or www.ticketmaster.com

**Jazz Cafe at Music Hall**  
**Time/Date:** 9 p.m. third Thursdays  
**Location:** 350 Madison Ave., Detroit  
**Details:** Show Up, and Go Up, open call, free  
**Contact:** (313) 887-8532, www.jazzcafedetroit.com

**Joe's Comedy Club of Livonia**  
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**Location:** 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia  
**Contact:** (734) 261-0555, www.kickerscomplex.com

**Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle**  
**Time/Date:** Open Mic 8 p.m. most Wednesdays  
**Location:** 269 E. Fourth, Royal Oak  
**Contact:** (248) 542-9900, www.comedycastle.com

**CONCERTS**  
**Callahan's Music Hall**  
**Time/Date:** Summertime blues concerts, 8 p.m. Tinsley Ellis, July 24  
**Location:** 2105 South Boulevard, south of the Palace, Auburn Hills  
**Contact:** www.atcallahans.com, (248)858-9508

**Clutch Cargo**  
**Time/Date:** 8 p.m., July 17, Peter Murphy with special guests, Venus Infers  
**Location:** 65 E. Huron, Pontiac  
**Contact:** (248) 645-6666

**Comerica Park**  
**Time/Date:** Kid Rock, July 18; Vans Warped Tour, July 31  
**Contact:** 1-800-745-3000, Ticketmaster.com, www.warpedtour.com

**Detroit Institute of Arts**  
**Time/Date:** Friday Night Live concerts, 7 & 8:30 p.m.  
**Location:** 5200 Woodward Ave  
**Contact:** (313) 833-7900, www.dia.org

**Heritage Park**  
**Time/Date:** "Stars in the Park" Thursday nights  
**Location:** Heritage Park, 24915

Farmington Road, Farmington Hills. Rain-out site, Costick Center  
**Contact:** (248)473-1857, www.fhgov.com

**Magic Bag**  
**Time/Dates:** The Original Waiters, Aug. 7; The Why Store, Aug. 14; 40oz. To Freedom, Aug. 16; A.J.A., Aug. 21  
**Location:** 22920 Woodward, Ferndale  
**Contact:** (248) 544-3030, www.themagicbag.com

**Meadow Brook Music Festival**  
**Time/Dates:** ABBA The Tour, July 16; Lyle Lovett & His Large Band, July 17; Chris Isaak, July 19; Gordon Lightfoot, July 23; Detroit Symphony Orchestra, July 25, 26 & 31 and Aug. 1-2; Jackson Browne, July 27; Comedian Jim Gaffigan, Aug. 7; George Thorogood & The Destroyers/Jonny Lang, Aug. 16; Peter Frampton, Aug. 22; O.A.R. with special guest Brett Dennen, Sept. 4  
**Location:** 3554 Walton Blvd Rochester Hills  
**Contact:** (248) 377-0100, Ticketmaster.com

**Northville Friday Night Concerts**  
**Time/Dates:** 7-9 p.m., The Kris K Band, July 17; Soul Academy, July 24; Fifty Amp Fuse, July 31  
**Location:** Town Square.  
**Contact:** (248) 349-7640, www.northville.org

**Oakland Community College**  
**Time/Dates:** 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Highland Lakes Campus. July 21, Jim Dignan & Swing Shift; July 28, Partly Brothers; Aug 4, Pamela Wise and the Latin Jazz All Stars; Aug. 11, Cats and the Fiddle; Aug. 18: Blackthorn  
**Details:** Free summer concerts  
**Location:** 7350 Cooley Lake Road, Waterford

**Alan Parsons will perform July 17 at DTE Energy Music Theatre in the Alan Parsons Live Project.**

**DTE Energy Music Theatre**  
**Time/Dates:** 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 17, Alan Parsons Live Project with special guest The Orchestra, featuring former members of Electric Light Orchestra and Electric Light Orchestra Part II  
**Location:** 7774 Sashabaw Road, Clarkston  
**Contact:** (248) 377-0100 or Palacenet.com

**Palace of Auburn Hills**  
**Time/Dates:** Beyonce, July 18; Jonas Brothers w/Jordin Sparks and Honor Society, July 26; The Wiggles, Aug. 14; AC/DC, Aug. 16; Aerosmith w/ZZ Top, Sept. 16; Frank Caliendo/Bill Engvall, Oct. 24  
**Location:** 1 Championship Drive, Auburn Hills  
**Contact:** (248) 645-6666 or Palacenet.com

**Riley Park**  
**Time/Date:** 7 p.m. Fridays  
**Details:** Rhythz in Riley Park  
**Location:** Downtown Farmington.  
**Contact:** www.DowntownFarmington.org

**Bakers Keyboard Lounge**  
**Time/Dates:** 2-5 p.m. Sundays  
**Details:** Jazz for Kids Program  
**Location:** 20510 Livernois Ave., Detroit  
**Contact:** (313) 345-6300, www.bakerskeyboardlounge.com

**Detroit Institute of Arts**  
**Time/Dates:** 2 p.m. Sundays  
**Details:** Target Family Sundays, storytelling, performances, free with admission  
**Location:** 5200 Woodward, Detroit  
**Contact:** (313) 833-7900, www.dia.org

**Marquis Theatre**  
**Time/Dates:** "Rumplestiltskin," Aug. 8-Sept. 20; "Pinky the Flying Ghost," Oct. 17-25; "Pinocchio," Nov. 14-Jan. 24, 2010, tickets, \$8.50, ages 3 and up  
**Location:** 135 E. Main, Northville  
**Contact:** (248) 349-8110, www.northvillemarquistheatre.com

**Northville Tunes on Tuesday**  
**Time/Dates:** Guy Louis and the Chautauqua Express, July 21; Palamazo, July 28, 10:30-11:30 a.m.  
**Location:** Town Square  
**Contact:** (248) 349-0203, www.northvilleparksandrec.org

**Alan Parsons Live Project**

# Annual art fair offers smaller alternative to Ann Arbor fests

BY SHARON DARGAY  
 O&E STAFF WRITER

If you're looking for a small, "accessible" art fair this weekend, you won't have to drive farther than Farmington.

The community's Art on the Grand runs Friday-Sunday and offers more than 50 art booths, along with entertainment and children's activities.

Nancy Coumoundouros of Farmington Hills Culture Arts Division, says that although the Ann Arbor Art Fair is scheduled for the same weekend, Art on the Grand, a juried show, will draw its own, albeit smaller, crowds.

"We've found that we bring people in from outside our area," Coumoundouros said. "It's small — Ann Arbor's is mammoth — but ours is very friendly and it's an interactive one."

Artists, both local and from out of state, will sell their works in 55 booths. Coumoundouros said about 80 artists will be represented in total, because the Farmington artist tent will show a mix of works from its members.

New this year is Odds and Ends, a couple that creates "fantastic" face painting.

"We've always had face painters, but I've seen their work and I was impressed. They have their own special style. They do large pieces on faces."

A henna artist also will be on hand this year to create intricate, temporary tattoos.

The entertainment schedule offers musically diverse performers. A fan dancing troupe from Farmington Hills will execute their moves in colorful Korean dress. Rock and Soul, a local duet, sings pop and oldies, and Simpatico plays jazz.

A returning favorite to the fair, Robert Shangle, will impress with his ability to mimic a statue.

"Isn't he wonderful? He's one of the best highlights of the festival," said Coumoundouros, adding that this is Shangle's third year at Art on the Grand.

"It's a riot to see his effect on the crowd. Some can't believe he's not a statue. We keep inviting him back. I've seen a lot of living statues, but he is the best."

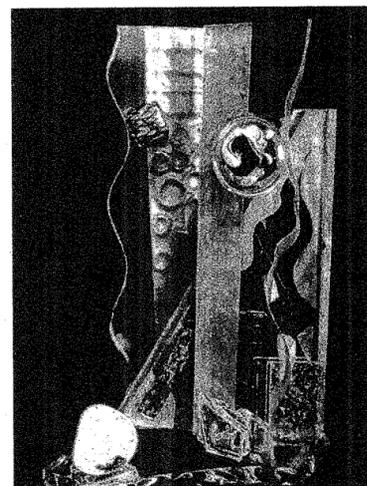
"He's from Oklahoma and he says this is one of his favorite fairs."

Look for Shangle from 1-7 p.m. Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Here's the rest of the entertainment and activity schedule:

- Friday, July 17  
 Noon to 8 p.m. free children's art tent; 4-9 p.m. artistic face painting; 4-5 p.m. Max Reid & Tommy Brigham; 5-6 p.m. Rob Hayes; 7-8 p.m. Steve Schriemer, 8-9 p.m. Bob Young Band
- Saturday, July 18  
 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. free children's art tent; 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. artistic face painting;



Robert Shangle, "the Living Statue" holds his pose, sitting next to Alyssa Costyk.



Glass art by Steve Brewster, one of the artists who will exhibit at Art on the Grand.

2-2:30 p.m. Korean fan dancing troupe; 2:30-4 p.m. David Nefsh; 4:30-6 p.m. Bobby Pennock Band; 7-9 p.m. Rock & Soul.

■ Sunday, July 19  
 Noon to 5 p.m. free children's art tent and artistic face painting; 1-2 p.m. Darwin Mamassian; 2-3 p.m. John Natiw; 3-5 p.m. Simpatico.

ART ON THE GRAND

**What:** More than 50 artist booths with more than 80 artists showing their works; entertainment; children's activities

**When:** Noon to 9 p.m. Friday, July 17, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, July 18, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, July 19

**Where:** Downtown Farmington, in the park at Farmington Road and Grand River Avenue

**Admission:** Free



The Korean fan dancing troupe will perform at Art on the Grand.

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West Michigan-based Hudsonville ice cream is now available in the Detroit area.

Ice cream

**Wayne County** — If Sleeping Bear Sand Dunes brings to mind caramel and chocolate covered cashews, chances are you've tasted Hudsonville Creamery & Ice Cream Company's chocolate ice cream named in honor of west Michigan's natural tourist attraction.

Sleeping Bear Sand Dunes Hug, Mackinac Island Fudge, Grand Traverse Bay Cherry Fudge and Michigan Deer Traxx are among the Holland-based company's ice cream flavors that are now available on the east side of the state.

"Hudsonville Ice Cream has been enjoyed in West Michigan and Northern Michigan for generations," stated Bruce Kratt, the company's director of sales and marketing. "We regularly receive requests from Metro Detroiters who have tasted our ice cream while traveling in the state and want to be able to purchase it when they are at home."

Now they can. Busch's Fresh Food Markets, Hollywood Markets, VG's, Sav-on Drugs, Shopper's Market and Walgreens are carrying

the product. Other stores include Westborn Market in Livonia, Value Depot in Westland and Harvest Fresh Market in Farmington.

In addition to the Michigan theme flavors, Hudsonville also sells limited edition ice cream, such as Pumpkin and Cake Batter; creamery churned including Chocolate Cashew Bark and Turtle Sundae; as well as traditional favorites.

New location

**Novi** — Zoup! Fresh Soup Company has opened its newest restaurant at 47996 Grand River Avenue, across from Providence Park Hospital. The new 2,000 square foot Zoup! seats 50 customers and features all of the company's signature menu items.

The new store will serve 12 always-rotating soup varieties each day from Zoup!'s hundreds of proprietary recipes. Customers can select from the restaurant's "Something for Everyone" nutritional categories, including low-fat, vegetarian, dairy-free, gluten-free and low-points options. The menu also will feature made-to-order GreenZ! Salads; Try!wo! Combs, grilled and rolled SandwichZ! and an array of beverages and desserts.

Pub Crawl

**Northville** — Mark your calendar for Northville's 5th annual Pub Crawl, 6-10 p.m., Tuesday, July 28, in downtown Northville. Twelve restaurants will offer free samples of appetizers and entrée items along with cash bar specials for participants. "Crawlers" can use free shuttle transportation to each restaurant or "crawl" on their own. Participants must be 21 and over.

2009 Participating restaurants are Brann's Steakhouse & Grill, Claggagh Irish Pub, Deadwood Bar and Grill, Five Restaurant, Gaucho Brazilian Steakhouse, Genitti's, Little Italy Ristorante, Northville Sports Den, Pool's Tavern, Rusty Bucket Corner Tavern, The Turning Point Grill, and Wine Sync/Red Pepper Deli.

Tickets are \$30.00 per person and are available at Gardenviews, Good Time Party Store or the Northville Chamber of Commerce. For more information, call the Northville Chamber of Commerce at (248) 349-7640 or visit www.northville.org.

Involve guests in food prep at cookout

If you're throwing a backyard barbecue, encourage your guests to join in the fun of preparing their own foods at several "build-it-yourself" stations.

Bush's Beans' Grill U Web site offers a few ideas: Grill the chicken and steak for fajitas and burritos and supply other ingredients, such as cheese, lettuce and salsa. Let guests choose what goes on their tortillas.

Skip the bottled marinade and set out ingredients, recipes and utensils for two or three different homemade sauces. Let guests mix up their own. Judge the best version and award a prize.

Arrange a buffet line with the grill at the start so guests can choose their own entree straight from the coals. Place sides next, followed by utensils and beverages.

Try a sundae bar for dessert and let guests create their own ice cream extravaganza with red, white and blue sprinkles, gooey toppings, nuts, chocolate shavings and whipped cream. Arrange cookies, cupcakes and brownies nearby.

Go green by serving on reusable melamine or bamboo dishes and bowls. Ask guests to write their names on one cup and use it throughout the party.

Visit www.grillu.com

Entertain guests with fare featuring Michigan beans

Here are several other recipes from the Michigan Department of Agriculture which also feature beans, in this case, Michigan dried beans.

BEAN SALAD

- 16 ounces (2 cups) dry Michigan Navy Beans, soaked
  - 6 cups water
  - 1 teaspoon salt
  - 1/2 cups celery, diced
  - 1/2 cup onion, chopped
  - 1/2 cup green pepper, chopped
  - 1/2 cup oil
  - 1/2 cup vinegar
  - 1/2 cup Michigan sugar
  - 1 teaspoon dry mustard
  - 1/2 teaspoon garlic salt
  - 1/2 teaspoon paprika
  - 1/2 teaspoon salt
  - Pimento strips for garnish
- Drain beans. Place beans and fresh water in large saucepan. Bring to boil and cook about 2 hours, or until tender, adding more water if needed. Drain well and chill.
- Combine all remaining ingredients and pour over beans. Stir gently.
- Chill at least 4 hours before serving.

BEAN DIP

- 2 15-ounce cans Michigan Pinto Beans, drained and rinsed
  - 1 pound ground beef
  - 1 medium Michigan onion, chopped
  - 1 package taco seasoning
  - 1/2 cup water
  - Milk
  - Salt and garlic salt
  - 1 each Michigan green and red pepper, chopped
  - 1 tomato, chopped
  - 1 avocado, sliced
  - 1 cup salsa
  - 1 pint sour cream
  - 1 pound grated Cheddar cheese
  - 1 can black olive slices, drained
1. Brown ground beef with onion. Drain and add 1 package taco seasoning mix and water; simmer 15 minutes. Place in bottom of oblong pan.
2. Mash Michigan Pinto Beans with enough milk to make spreadable. Add salt and garlic salt to taste. Spread over beef. Top beans with green and red pepper, tomatoes, slices of avocado, and salsa. Spread sour cream over top of vegetables. Sprinkle cheese and black olives over top.

MICHIGAN BAKED BEANS

- 16 ounces (2 cups) Michigan dry navy beans
  - 2 quarts cold water
  - 1/2 teaspoon salt
  - 1/2 cup molasses
  - 1/2 cup brown sugar
  - 1 teaspoon dry mustard
  - 4 ounces salt pork
  - 1 medium Michigan onion, chopped
- Rinse beans; add to water in saucepan. Bring to boiling and simmer 2 minutes; remove from heat. Cover; let stand 1 hour. (Or add beans to cold water; soak overnight.)
- Add salt to beans and water; cover and simmer till beans are tender, about 1 hour. Drain, reserving liquid. Measure 2 cups liquid, adding water if needed; mix with molasses, brown sugar, and mustard. Cut salt pork in half; score one half. Grind or thinly slice remainder.
- In 2-quart bean pot or casserole, combine beans, onion and ground salt pork. Pour molasses mixture over. Top with scored pork. Cover; bake in 300-degree oven for 5-7 hours. Add more liquid, if needed. Makes 8 servings.

Baked beans is a favorite side from 'cousins' concoction

Bob Westbrook of Livonia always has copies of his baked bean recipe on hand when he serves it.

Whether he takes the dish to a church social or potluck "the pan is licked clean" and everyone begs him for the recipe.

"So now I just take printed copies with me," he says. Westbrook's dish was "borne out of necessity for something quick and filling to feed the masses" at his aunt's lake home.

"Us cousins were delegated to the cooking when we were old enough to give our folks a rest, so my cousin Frank and I created this recipe out of what was on hand," he explains.

"Try them out. I think you will love them."

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THE COUSIN'S STOVETOP BAKED BEANS

- 1 pound ground beef
- 1 pound smoked bacon, diced

- 1 large Spanish onion, medium chopped
- 1 large green pepper, medium chopped
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 cup white sugar
- 3 tablespoons dry mustard
- 4-6 ounces salad mustard, to taste and color
- 4-6 ounces pancake syrup, to taste
- 2-4 ounces unsulphered molasses, to taste
- 1 large 40 ounce #10 can of Busch's Baked Beans, drained, reserve the liquid

Brown the ground beef, bacon, onion and green pepper, and drain excess grease. Add brown sugar, white sugar and dry mustard, and cook until syrupy and near caramelized. Add drained beans, 4 ounces pancake syrup, 2 ounces molasses, 4 ounces salad mustard. Beans should have a light brown to slight yellow color. Adjust flavors to taste, and thin to desired consistency with reserved bean liquid. Simmer on low at least one hour — but the longer the better — stirring to prevent sticking

Makes 4 quarts of beans

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