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Sarah Aitken addresses the legislature during a mock legislative session at Plymouth Christian Academy Thursday

## Costco CEO defends decision

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS  
STAFF WRITER

The president and CEO of Costco has defended the national retailer's decision to cancel its plans to build in Canton as a 'prudent business decision'

Jim Sinegal of Costco said Thursday that the company pulled the plug on the project because of the state's economic woes

"For obvious reasons, we've put the project on hold," he said. "We are waiting to see what happens with the economy in Detroit because clearly there have been some setbacks"

With construction expected to begin any day, Costco was slated to build a 150,000-square-foot warehouse on Michigan Avenue at Belleville Road

Township officials learned Wednesday that the plans were dissolved. The company also halted plans to build new stores in Woodhaven and Ann Arbor

Sinegal said the company has stopped projects in other states, including California, because of bleak economies

It's not an unusual position for us to be in," he said. "This doesn't mean we're giving up on Detroit by any stretch of the imagination"

With Sinegal calling the Michigan Avenue corridor a "very desirable area," Canton Township board member Karl Zarbo has said other retailers have already shown interest in the commercial property

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## PCA students learn legislative lessons

Mock legislature teaches issues not 'black and white'

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS  
STAFF WRITER

After one student rose from her seat and passionately justified the need for a no-smoking rule in public restaurants, another teen got up and fiercely argued against the proposed ban

"It's your constitutional responsibility to protect your constituents," the first teenager said as she rolled out second hand smoke statistics

Obviously, her classmates agreed because they voted to outlaw smoking in public restaurants

Role playing as members of

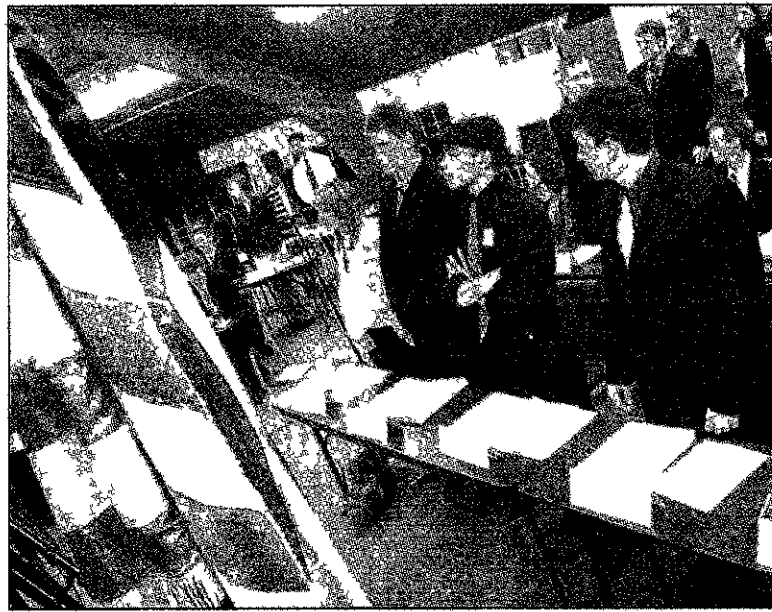
Michigan's House of Representatives, around 50 students at Plymouth Christian Academy participated in a mock legislative session Thursday night

The students, dressed in business suits, ties and high heels, were divided into political parties and sat primly in their seats — until a bill was passed

Depending on their opinion, each time a vote was taken, some students would yell 'woo hoo' and cheer while others grumbled in disappointment

"Whoa, that's high drama

PLEASE SEE STUDENTS, A2



The mock legislature votes on the bill to ban embryonic stem cell research. The bill passed with a strong majority

## Discount Beverage owners carry on a family tradition

BY KURT KUBAN  
STAFF WRITER

It only seems fitting that Sammy and Amy Hesano met each other in a party store. The two, who have been married 26 years, have spent most of their lives working in various stores around metro Detroit.

In fact, Sammy Hesano

still remembers the fateful day. At the time, they worked for two different stores owned by two brothers. When Sammy went to the other store to pick something up, he says his eyes lit up when he saw Amy

"She was putting up some candy on a shelf," he recalled with a smile

You might say the con-

venience store business is a family tradition for the Hesanos

"I have four brothers and one sister, and my wife also has six siblings, who are all in the business, Sammy Hesano said. "Let's just say I'm not new in this business"

Sammy Hesano opened

PLEASE SEE OWNERS, A5



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Sammy and Amy Hesano, who have been married 26 years, recently opened Discount Beverage in the Golden Gate Shopping Center

## Locals not thrilled with governor's new service tax proposal

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS  
STAFF WRITER

If Gov. Jennifer Granholm has her way, Canton resident Kay Newel will be paying two percent more for her French manicures in June

### WHAT DO YOU THINK?

What do you think about Gov. Jennifer Granholm's plan to create a 2-percent services tax? Tell us what you think by sending an e-mail to [kkuban@hometownlife.com](mailto:kkuban@hometownlife.com), or go to our Web site, [www.hometownlife.com](http://www.hometownlife.com), and post a comment online.

"I don't like that at all," Newel said, as clear nail polish was slicked across her nails Thursday afternoon at Tina's Nails, 5900 N. Sheldon Road. "We already have enough taxes"

In attempts to level the state's budget, Granholm has proposed a new service

tax on everything from manicures to auto repairs. Lawmakers still have to approve the plan, which could bring in more than a billion dollars and help offset the loss of the Single Business Tax at the end of the year

The governor's proposal has gotten a frosty response in the Canton community

"We can't even pass a bond millage for the schools," said township resident Janelle Merner. "I would rather give more money to the schools than the state"

The governor's office estimates the new tax would cost about \$65 more a year for a family with a median income of \$57,000, based on how much they go out and use services. The two-percent tax would be tacked onto movie tickets, legal advice, professional sporting tickets — anything that involves a service provider

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Coming Thursday in Filter

Movie-buffs flock to the Detroit Film Theatre. Check out Filter on Thursday to see the new season's line up for this historic movie house

### McNamara appointments

Wayne County Commissioner Kevin McNamara, D-Canton Township) was recently appointed to serve as vice chair of the Committee on Audit, one of the commission's eight standing committees for the 2007-2008 legislative session. The committee which is mandated by the Wayne County Charter, provides financial and operational oversight through the review of reports of the Auditor General and outside auditors and consultants, and monitors compliance with audit findings.

In addition, McNamara was appointed to serve as a member of the Committee on Public Services the Committee on Environment, Drains and Sewers, and the Committee on Public Safety, Judiciary and Homeland Security.

McNamara who started his first term representing District 11 on Jan. 2, represents the communities of Belleville, Canton Township, Sumpter Township, Van Buren Township and Wayne. "I will work hard to bring resources and services to District 11, specifically in terms of roads, parks and the environment," McNamara said.

### Home buyers seminar

Shore Mortgage will hold a free home buyers/credit repair seminar at 7 p.m. Feb. 22 at 7277 N. Lilley Road in Canton. For more information or to make a reservation, call Richard Paseka at (734) 776-5635.

### Township board meeting

The Canton Township Board of Trustees is scheduled to meet at 7 p.m. Feb. 13 at the Canton Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road. Agenda items include a land use request for expansion of the Western Township Utilities Lower Rouge facility, amendments to the sign ordinance, consider adding Cherry Hill Road from Ridge west to county line to the winter maintenance program, approval of the water rate study, amendment to the general fund budget to pay for 2007 membership dues to the Michigan Municipal League, bid award for 2007 Leisure Services publications, and consider approval of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources recommendation on proposed hunting control changes.

### Authors coming to town

Author Glenna Livingston will be signing her book, *How I Got By: A Family Saga*, 4-6 p.m., Feb. 24 at Irie Caribbean Restaurant, 45580 Cherry Hill Road in Canton. There will be a tropical-themed art display.

In addition, children book author Rachel Longhurst will sign her book *Where My Story Begins* from 11 a.m.-1 p.m., March 3 at Bearclaw Coffee on Cherry Hill Road in Canton (near the Village Theater).

### Marching band needs members

The Plymouth-Canton Marching Band, named Bands of America Regional Champions for 2006 and a BOA Finalist at Grand Nationals in Indianapolis, is hosting a series of informa-

tional meetings for students and parents who are interested in joining the 2007 Marching Band program. The meeting is designed for incoming 8th graders, but is open to any high school student. Interested students will spend time with the existing marchers enjoying pizza, while parents listen to a presentation by the Plymouth Canton Music Boosters on how 8th graders can become a member of the award-winning marching band for the 2007 summer/fall season.

Parents and students are asked to attend one of the following Open House meetings: Tuesday, Feb. 13, at 7:15 p.m. in room 401 at Plymouth High School.

Wednesday, March 21, at 7:15 p.m. in the Plymouth High School band room.

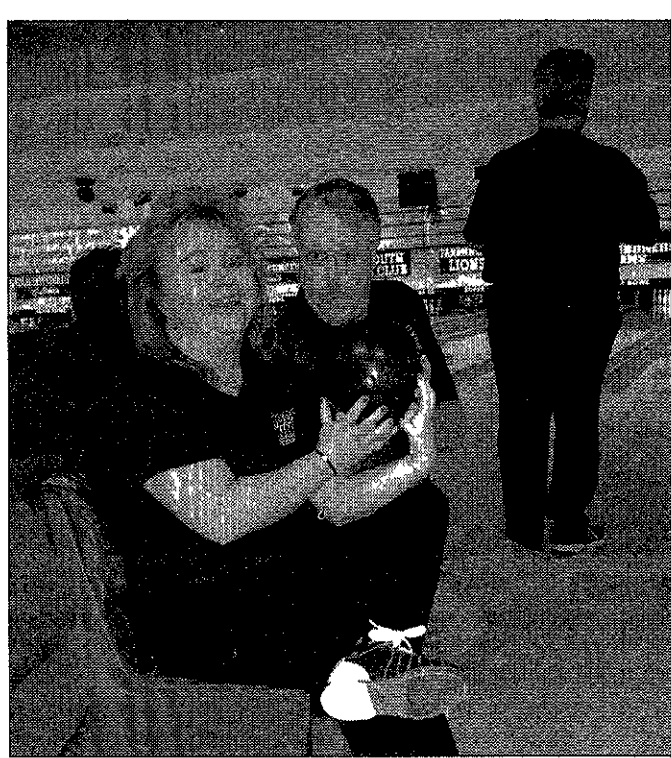
For more information, please call (734) 582-5500.

### 'Stepping Out' performance

Spotlight Players, a local theater company, will perform the show *Stepping Out*, Feb. 23, 24, March 2, 3, 9, and 10 at 8 p.m., and Sundays, Feb. 25, March 4 at 2 p.m. The shows will be at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road in Canton. Tickets are \$15-\$18. On the March 3 and 4 show dates, a three-course buffet one hour prior to curtain is available. Tickets are \$40 for buffet and show. For tickets or information call (734) 394-5460.

### Early childhood meeting

The Plymouth Canton Community Schools Early Childhood Department will host a Preschool Parent Informational Meeting 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28 at Discovery Middle School, 45083 Hanford in Canton. At this meeting, parents



### 'Bowl for Braille'

Chris Edmonds and the WNIC bowling teams (pictured here with Lisa Berry, also of WNIC) will join Seedlings 20th annual 'Bowl for Braille Books' bowl-a-thon on Sunday, March 11 at Super Bowl Lanes in Canton. The event will help the Livonia based nonprofit raise money to help reach its 2007 goal of putting 24,000 Braille books into the hands of blind children. For registration information or more information, call (734) 427-8552 or download a bowling brochure on Seedlings Web site [www.seedlings.org](http://www.seedlings.org). Tax-deductible door prize and lane sponsorships are still available to local businesses.

will learn about preschool programs and be able to get enrollment materials for the 2007-08 school year.

For more information, contact the Early Childhood Office at (734) 416-6190 or check the Web site at [web.pccs.k12.mi.us/early-childhood](http://web.pccs.k12.mi.us/early-childhood).

### Canton BPW meets

The Canton Business & Professional Women meet 6-8:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 12, at Palermo's Restaurant, located in the strip mall behind Murray's Auto Supply on the north side of Ford Road, east

of Canton Center and west of Sheldon.

Guest Speaker Lynn Jarrett, president of LifeQuest Training & Coaching, will discuss balancing all life offers. Jarrett is a best-selling author, motivational speaker, life coach and a resident of Canton.

RSVP by Friday, Feb. 9. Contact Canton BPW president June Nicholas, [jnicholas@comcast.net](mailto:jnicholas@comcast.net) or (313) 610-2561.

### Alzheimer's support

An Alzheimer's disease support group meeting for families and friends whose loved ones are afflicted with dementia is held the first Wednesday of

every month at 6 p.m. at Waltonwood at Cherry Hill, 42500 Cherry Hill Road in Canton. Everyone is welcome to attend.

For more information, please contact Dolanda Crawford (734) 981-5070, or visit [www.waltonwood.com](http://www.waltonwood.com).

### Euchre tournament

The Exchange Club of Canton will hold its fourth annual Euchre tournament 4-10 p.m., Feb. 17 at Summit on the Park in Canton. Proceeds from the event will benefit local scholarships for Plymouth-Canton youth. The event will include trophies and prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place, as well as door prizes, a silent auction, raffles and more.

Tickets for the event are \$50, which includes food and an open bar. For ticket information call Richard Prwko at (734) 981-1149 or (734) 231-2688, Jon LaFever at (734) 398-5570, or David Loveland at (734) 207-8943.

### Radio auction

Local businesses can support WSDP 88.1-FM, the student-run radio station serving the Plymouth-Canton school district, by sponsoring the station's annual auction, scheduled 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, May 12.

Businesses and individuals can sponsor half-hours and hours of the auction broadcast. The station is also looking for businesses interested in a more significant sponsorship for a title sponsor, major sponsors and key sponsors.

"Sponsorship not only helps the station but is a great way to introduce your business to our listeners," said Bill Keith, station manager. "In addition to our regular listeners, many additional people tune in just for the auction. Sponsorship is a very cost-effective way to reach them." Anyone interested in sponsoring the auction can contact Kerth via e-mail at [kerthb@pccs.k12.mi.us](mailto:kerthb@pccs.k12.mi.us) or by calling (734) 416-7732.



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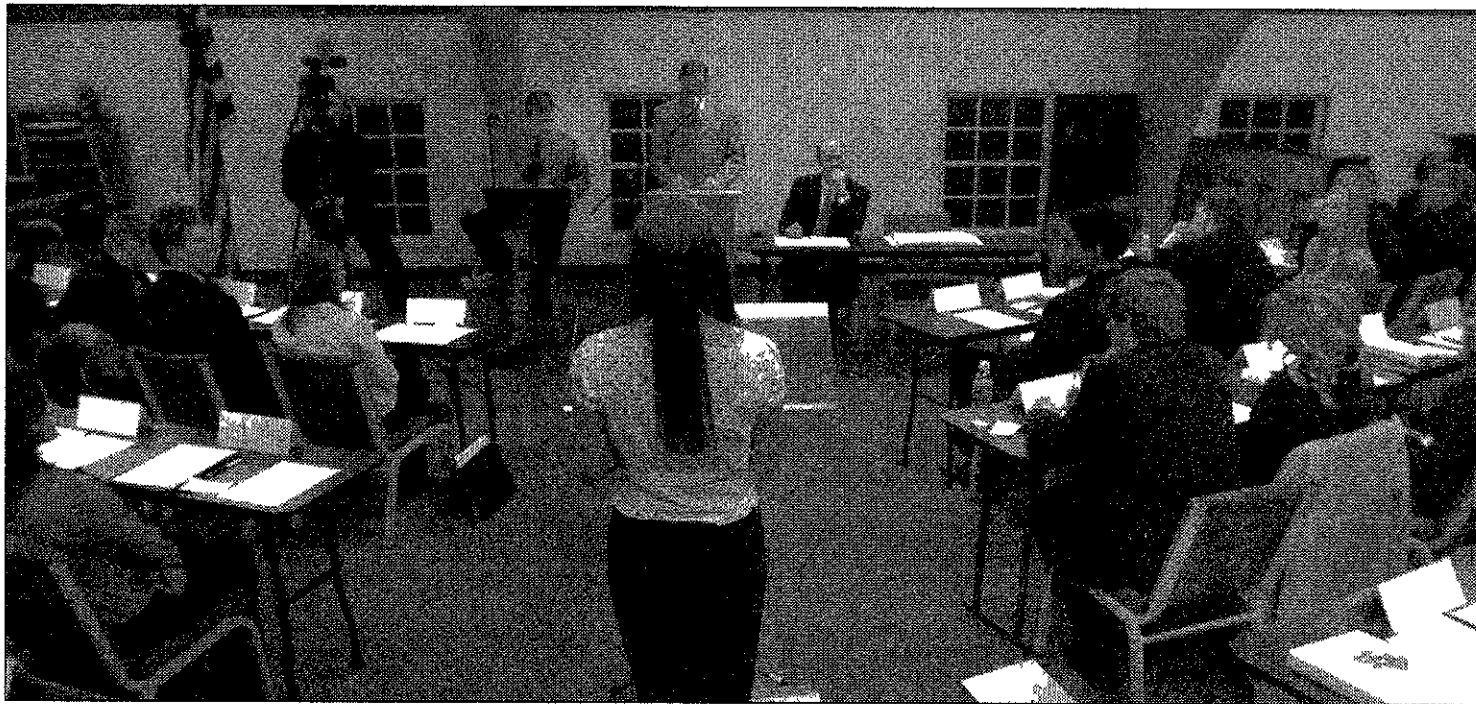
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Representative Kelsey Amann addresses the mock legislature during a session at Plymouth Christian Academy

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# School field forming as deadline nears

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

As the Tuesday deadline looms for candidates to file petitions to run for the Plymouth-Canton Schools Board of Education, two challengers have emerged for the May 8 election in which voters will fill two, four-year seats

Canton Township residents Nancy Eggenberger and Bruce Coldys each paid a \$100 filing fee instead of filing petitions with at least 40 valid signatures

Incumbent Richard Ham-Kucharski said he will pay the \$100 filing fee in seeking his second term. It is believed that board vice president Mark Slavens will also seek re-election

Eggenberger, who has co-chaired the last two bond proposals and is president of the Community School Council, said her passion for education prompted her to seek a board seat

"I thought it would be better to run when my kids are in school because it makes me more aware of what's going on," said Eggenberger, 48, who has two daughters at Plymouth High School and a son in seventh grade at Pioneer Middle School

"I think the district is moving in a good direction, but there are challenges," she said, "like funding and how we are going to keep the quality of education we have now and keep it going"

There's also going to be a superintendent search, and that's going to be very important

Coldys said in his 28 years in public schools he's been a union president, substitute teacher and building custodian as well as a child care worker

It's going to be very difficult for Plymouth-Canton to maintain an excellent reputation in the face of funding issues and Proposal A," Coldys, 53, said "I believe with my background, I've already got the knowledge of how all the components in the district work"

Ham-Kucharski, who has a son at Gallimore Elementary, said it's no secret the budget will be the top priority in the coming years

I want to be there to help move forward and try to keep the district in a cost-efficient and fully functional path," Ham-Kucharski, 34 said "I'd been hoping we could have made more cuts to get us out of the situation we're in this year and pending years"

We need to find alternative methods in balancing our budget

But, there are plenty of other projects, like improving our alternative high school programs at Starkweather, if the bond passes, and it moves to Central (Middle School)," he said "The latest MEAP scores in the elementary, middle and high schools were high, but we really need to find ways to help students who are struggling in the middle of the spectrum"

Petitions can be obtained from the clerk's offices in Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton Township. The petitions, or a \$100 filing fee, must be turned in to the Plymouth Township clerk's office by 4 p.m. Tuesday

Those who file have until 4 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16 to withdraw their name from the ballot

District residents who want to participate in the school board election have through April 9 to register with the clerk's office in the community in which they live

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## STUDENTS

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there, folks, James Muffett told the group of students

Muffett, who served as the House speaker, is the president of Student Statesmanship Institute, and facilitated the two-day program that led to the mock session

Designed to tie leadership and civics together, the Biblical tramping program features bills from previous house sessions in the state

Muffett told the students that lawmakers often have to choose between individual liberties and social responsibility while adding that legislative matters aren't always black and white

It requires thought, dialogue and listening, he said

Charlotte Daly, 17, argued the need to display religious writings, such as the 10 commandments, in public buildings saying society has shunned its beginnings

"We have become convinced there is no place for religion in the public arena," she said "Religious writings are valuable pieces of history"

Daly's opposition, senior Melissa Rich, 17, pointed to a scripture in the book of the Matthew as a reason not to display religious writings

The government clearly cannot favor one religion over the other, she said adding that opening the door for the items such as the 10 Commandments would lead to the display of hateful or racist material



Representative Russell Rudzisz listens to the debate

The measure to display the writings passed by a slim margin

Bekki Nill of Novi said she was floored by the students' perspectives on controversial issues

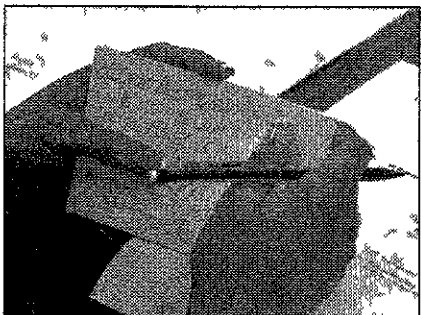
I thought this was amazing she said. It was a great learning experience for the kids. Nill's son, a high school senior participated in the event

Muffett, who prayed at the conclusion of the event, told the students that faith has relevance to every area of life

You have something to give as Christians to society, he said

I pray (at least one of you) goes into public service

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Representative Brooke Harris checks her notes before speaking against a bill banning embryonic stem cell research

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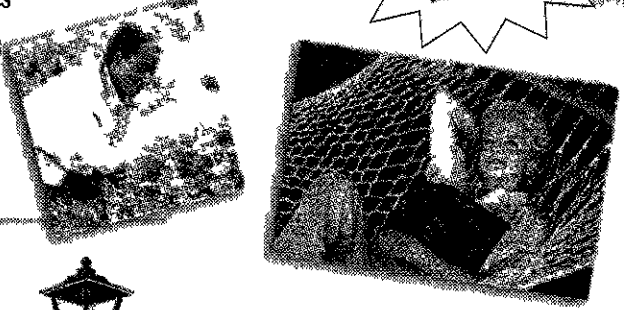
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# The cool factor

## New owners of Scoopy's excited to be in Canton

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS  
STAFF WRITER

Susan and Craig Primeau have discovered the secret to upping their cool factor with their grandchildren — they buy ice cream shops.

The couple has owned an ice cream shop in Trenton for the past seven years and recently became the owners of Scoopy's Ice Cream and Deli at the corner of Hanford and Canton Center roads.

"Our grandchildren love this," Susan Primeau said. "They think it's so cool."

The Trenton residents, who got into the ice cream business after their daughter began working at a Baskin-Robbins, went back and forth with each other about buying in Canton.

"We saw an ad in the paper (for Scoopy's) last summer, but we were right in the middle of our busy season so we decided not to look into it," Primeau said. "But then the second time we saw an ad, I told my husband that we should take another look at it and he said, 'Are you crazy?' but here we are."

The Primeaus are the fourth owners of the 1,200-square-foot shop.

"We did our homework beforehand to make sure this was the right opportunity for us," Primeau said.

"This is a tough business to be in."

In addition to the challenge of selling products in the winter that are typically associated with warmer months, Primeau said rocky economic climates make it hard for some people to justify having frozen treats.

"When families have to (streamline) their budgets, there's not always money left over for ice cream," she said. "But we've been fine so far. Everybody that walks in is so



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Susan Primeau, the new owner of Scoopy's Ice Cream and Deli, displays an ice cream cake ready for Valentine's Day.

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temptation, Primeau bangs her fist on a table in mock anger when asked if she still indulges in her own products.

"Everyday, she said, breathing out a long sigh. I really thought I would be sick of ice cream by now but I eat some everyday."

Joking that her grandchildren, ages 2, 3 and 5, already have summer jobs lined up for their teenage years, Primeau said when she and her husband retire, their two daughters will take the reins of their ice cream operations.

"We will always be a family business," she said.

Scoopy's which offers lunch delivery for its soups, salads and sandwiches, sells Stroh's ice creams, homemade waffle cones, cakes, pies and ice cream cakes.

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# Deadline is Tuesday for school election

Residents interested in running on the Wayne-Westland Board of Education have until 4 p.m. Tuesday to file for the Tuesday, May 8, election.

Two four-year terms, currently held by board Secretary Martha Pitsenbarger and Trustee Skip Monit, will be up for grabs in the election.

A Wayne resident, Pitsenbarger is completing her third four-year term. She has already paid the \$100 filing fee to secure a spot on the ballot, as has Bahagwan Dasharyya.

Dasharyya is a local businessman who has unsuccessfully campaigned for the state House of Representatives and Wayne County Commission. He has been active in serving on committees aimed at boosting economic growth and commercial development in Westland.

Monit, a Wayne resident is completing his second four-year term on the board.

He has pulled petitions, which had yet to be turned in as of Thursday afternoon, Westland City Clerk Eileen DeHart said.

T Cortez Spann Jr has pulled petitions, but had not turned them in as of Thursday afternoon.

Also a Wayne resident, he was an unsuccessful candidate for the Republican slot in the state's 20th House District last August.

Residents interested in running must file petitions containing a minimum of 40 up to a maximum of 100 signatures of registered school district voters or pay a \$100 fee in lieu of petitions and an Affidavit of Identity by 4 p.m. Tuesday.

Candidates who have a change heart after the filing deadline will have until 4 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16. Residents new to the city can register to vote in the election through Monday, April 9.

The district includes the city of Wayne and portions of Westland, Inkster, Canton, Dearborn Heights and Romulus, and residents of those communities can pick up the necessary paperwork at the clerk's office in Westland City Hall, 36601 Ford, west of Wayne Road, or at the clerk's office in Wayne City Hall, 3355 S. Wayne Road, north of Michigan Avenue.

For more information, call the Westland City Clerk's office at (734) 467-3185.

## OWNERS

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his first store in 1976 in Farmington Hills, and the couple has owned other stores since then in Belleville, Clawson and Harper Woods. In recent years, he said a store in Canton seemed to make more and more sense. "We heard about Canton, and how it was the fastest growing community. We wanted to be part of it," he said.

After some time looking for a spot in the community, the couple finally found some vacant space at the Golden Gate Shopping Plaza across from Mettetal Airport on Lalley Road. They opened in December. It is a big store, but perfect because they carry a wide variety of liquors, beers and wines and a lot of them.

The store's liquor shelves measure 48 feet long by six feet high. Hesano says on the shelves he carries 90 percent of what

the state liquor control commission allows to be sold in Michigan.

He also carries three large aisles of wines and champagnes, with many from Germany, France, New Zealand, Australia and California. They range in price from \$3 a bottle to \$150.

The store also has aisle after aisle of beer, including brands that are imported from almost every corner of the world. Most beer deliveries come in twice a week, he says.

Hesano, who prides himself on the fact that he offers the widest variety of spirits possible, says the name Discount Beverage derives from the fact that he sells his products at a small profit margin, which he is able to do because he sells a large volume.

And if he doesn't have a particular product on the shelves, he said he will special order it for his customers.

If it's available in Michigan, I'll get it, Hesano said. The store also sells plenty of

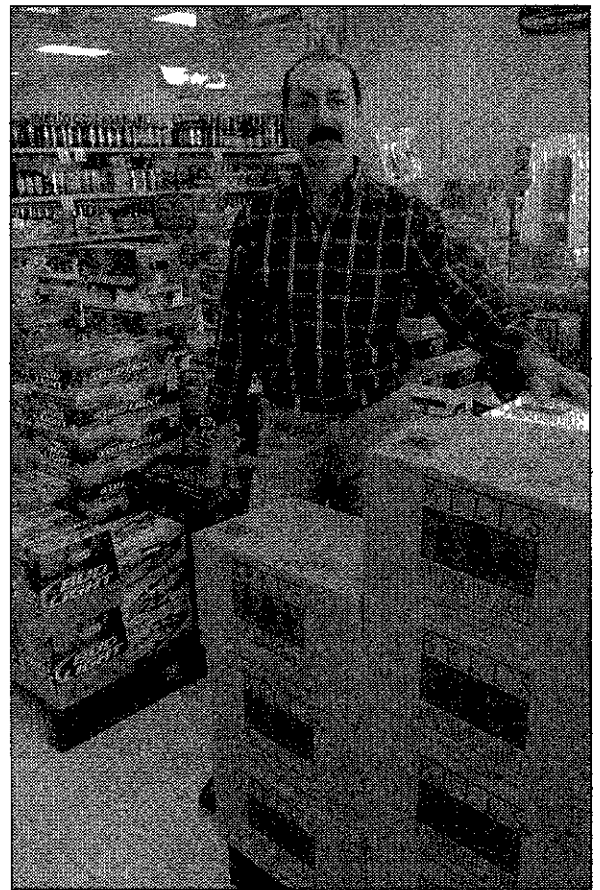
non-alcoholic beverages, including most drink mixers. Lottery tickets, cigarettes, and money orders are also available.

The Hesanos have four employees, including a wine expert. Family members, including son Carlo, who attends Warner Middle School in Farmington Hills, also put in a lot of hours at the store. Amy Hesano said that's not a problem in their family. She says working in a store is a family tradition for a reason.

"We like to be around people. We love to talk to people," she said.

And so far, she has not been disappointed by the Canton community. "We've been here for just a couple months, and it feels like we've been here for years. The people have been so nice," she said.

Discount Beverage is located 86733 N. Lalley Road in the Golden Gate Shopping Center, just south of Joy. For more information, call (734) 451-1222.



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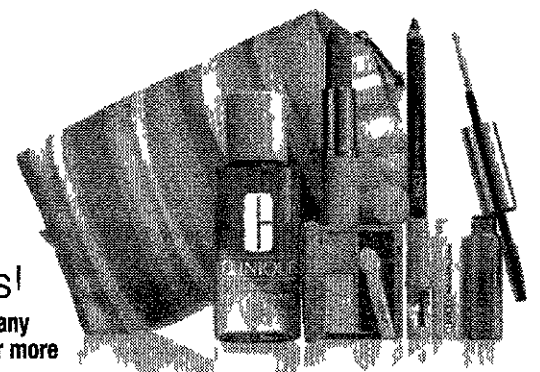
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# Gaidica forecasts solid United Way campaign

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth Community United Way announced Friday morning that WDIV-TV weather forecaster Chuck Gaidica will lead this year's fund-raising effort as the PCUW's 2007 campaign chairman.

Gaidica spoke to volunteers during the PCUW's annual meeting at Johnson Controls in Plymouth Township, shortly after it was announced the 2006 campaign surpassed its \$1.3 million goal.

"I'm proud to take my name and my face and my image, and all the good things that Channel 4 has built over time, and leverage them for us to try and bring some awareness to this great cause," Gaidica said. "Looking at last year's budget projections and the goals that were set and the great achievement of raising \$1.3 million-plus, it's apparent to me this exemplary effort has become somewhat routine. The 2006 PCUW campaign



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Chuck Gaidica speaks to the early morning United Way crowd at the annual meeting Friday. Gaidica will chair this year's United Way campaign.

raised \$20,000 more than budgeted, making it the 23rd consecutive year the goal has been met or exceeded. Gaidica said part of his deci-

sion to chair the 2007 campaign came after looking at the PCUW numbers, including administrative costs, which are only 7 percent of the budget.

"I'm happy to be involved in the United Way because this particular organization does a great job in fund-raising but also has a great track record of keeping expenses down," Gaidica said. "It's good we keep the costs and expenses down, so the money that we're asking people to donate is actually going to the bottom line."

PCUW board chairman Greg Foster said with the challenging Michigan economy, the demands for people who need help are growing.

Job cutbacks and layoffs have impacted many of our friends and family members, and the result is local service needs are increasing, he said. "People are tired of all the taxes and they are fed up with (Granholm) in general." Nail technician Glenda Ward agreed. "Customers are not happy about this," she said. "They don't like it at all."

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## PROPOSAL

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The 6 percent sales tax will not increase.

"Why are we constantly being taxed, Merner said. 'Businesses already charge what they think their service is worth.'"

On Thursday, Granholm's plan was the topic of the morning at Eclipse Hair, Nails and Spa, 4187 Old Canton Center Road.

"I'm not thrilled about it because I'm going to have to raise prices," said Shannon Hurley, who owns Eclipse. "People are tired of all the taxes and they are fed up with (Granholm) in general."

While the proposal has been met with a lot of criticism, Auto Lab of Canton owner Rick Cudim said he is "looking at it from both sides of the fence" and has yet to hear any customers grumble about it.

"I'm not a Granholm fan but if you cut services, people will scream," he said. "If you raise taxes, people will scream. Our state is not in a good situation."

Although Cudim said he's not thrilled about the idea of a service tax, he believes the attached costs are paltry.

For an auto repair that had \$100 in labor, they would pay a \$2 tax," he said. "While he doesn't like taxes, especially new ones, Canton resident Denny Wheeler, who owns Denny's Service Center at the corner of Starkweather and Pearl in Plymouth's Old Village, believes the tax is needed."

"What makes this a worthwhile tax to me is the fact (Granholm) has done some serious cutting, and says we can't make it," he said. "If you're in business, you've been there."

"When you have people moving out of state as fast as they are and you have houses up for sale and foreclosures because there are no jobs, property taxes and sales taxes will be down," he said. "It's one of those necessary evils."

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# Common beliefs and values

## Week honors catholic schools' traditions

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

The noise inside the gymnasium at All Saints Catholic School in Canton Township was deafening the afternoon of Jan. 31 as elementary students played musical chairs against teachers and administrators, followed by a game of volleyball between teachers and middle-school students.

The activities were only a couple of those planned all last week as All Saints and Our Lady of Good Counsel in Plymouth celebrated Catholic Schools Week, some of which included games and talent shows, as well as open houses that included parents, grandparents, current and former employees to share in the festivities.

It's a way of doing community outreach, trying to share with people the value of Catholic education," said Kay Reilly, principal at Our Lady of Good Counsel, which has over 600 students. Children with high academic standards, but at the same time leaning on religion and faith, and given the opportunity expressing those values to the less fortunate.

After participating in the musical chairs game with students, All Saints Principal Jacqui Brown said there have been a lot of changes at the school as it celebrates its tenth anniversary.

Every year has been a different year here until we saw who we were going to be," said Brown, who has been at All Saints the past 8 years. There were no traditions or history, so we make it every day, and it's exciting.

We are a traditional Catholic school, a school that teaches 630 kids, one at a time," she said. If children are having difficulties, we make accommodations. If they are above we do our best to challenge them.

Counselor Kristen Strausbaugh of Canton Township taught in public schools before moving to All Saints.

I see a difference academically," said Strausbaugh, who also helps eighth grade students with high school placement. Our eighth-graders who come back after ninth grade tell us they are very well prepared and the load isn't difficult for them. And, on top of the academics, they get the spiritual aspect.

Brittany Rose, 13, of Canton, talks to her public school friends, and doesn't feel she is missing anything by attending All Saints.

We'll do a few things differently than they do, but a lot of it is actually the same," Rose, an eighth grader, said. It's



Kindergartener Sarah McCausland beats first grader Nick Mans to the last seat during a game of musical chairs during Catholic Schools Week.

really important to get a good Catholic education. It helps you become a good leader and prepares you.

The whole school community does fun things together," she said. It's kind of cool.

First grader Colleen Hammond of Plymouth said she likes science because there are a lot of experiments and cool projects.

Everybody is really nice here," she said. They give each other lots of support and love and they never let you down. If they say something and promise they will do it, they do it, and they'll have fun with you."

When the economy is down, Catholic schools sometimes see a decline in enrollment because of the tuition costs. However, Reilly said despite the challenging times, OLCG is still a choice for many parents.

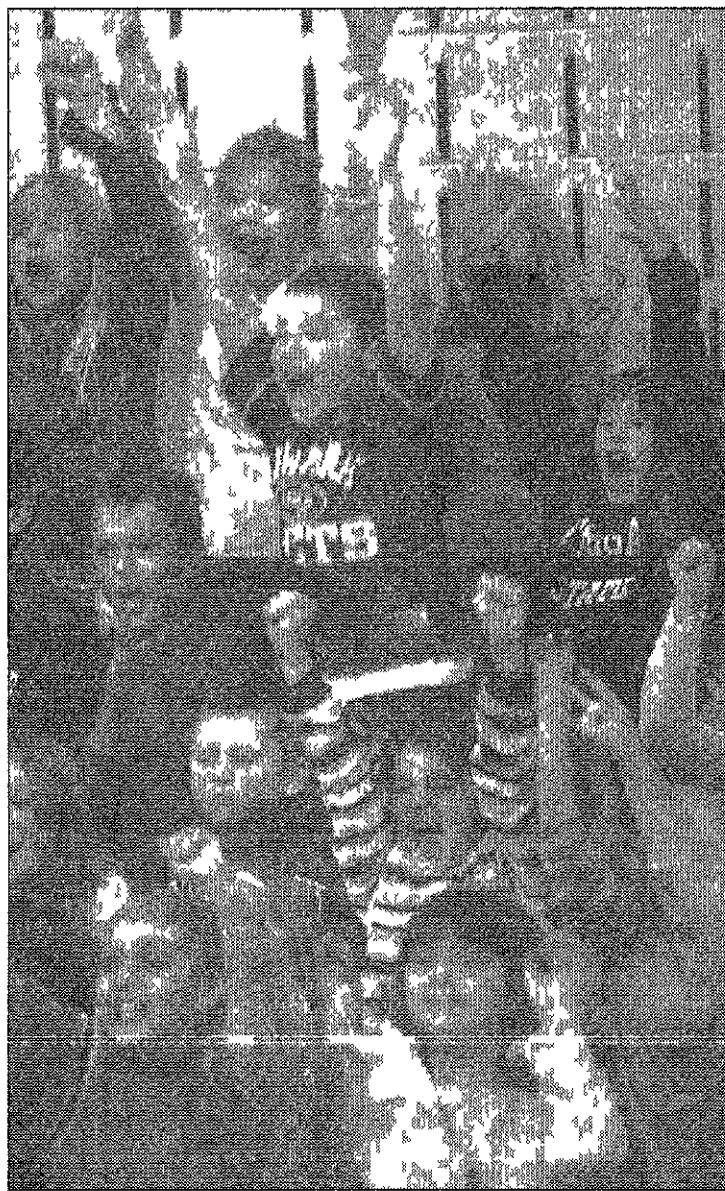
Our number for next year's kindergarten program are stronger than expected, given the economy," Reilly said.

Plymouth has a lot of Ford Motor employees, and when you're facing economic uncertainty it's a significant financial commitment.

If we can get students as part of our school family from kindergarten, we feel strongly they will be committed to Good Counsel for all their elementary years," she said.

This year OLCG has one full day kindergarten and two half-day classes. Reilly is projecting the 2007-08 school year will have enough students for two full day kindergartens.

Reilly said the common thread for parents of Catholic school students is something their children can't get in public schools.



Third graders go crazy when their classmate wins a chair in 'musical chairs'.

It's a community of common beliefs and values based on Catholic teachings and traditions," said Reilly. The common set of core

values that is faith-based, which is not part of the public schools.

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### DEATHS

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| <b>C</b>  | Jan 30                                      |
| Leonard Rainford Carr                           | Richard B. "Dick" Poling                    |
| Carr 92 of Redford Township died Feb 8          | Poling 82 formerly of Birmingham died Feb 5 |
| <b>R</b>  | <b>S</b>                                    |
| Richard Hayle Colenso                           | Edward F. "Ed/Mike" Spring                  |
| Colenso 93 formerly of Beverly Hills died Feb 6 | Spring 58 died Feb 7                        |
| <b>M</b>  | <b>V</b>                                    |
| Margaret C. Cowley                              | Timmy Vachon                                |
| Cowley 83 died                                  | Vachon 7 of Bloomfield Township died Feb 5  |
| <b>D</b>  | <b>W</b>                                    |
| Allen Monroe Dunham                             | James W. Webb                               |
| Dunham 92 died Jan 21                           | Webb 62 formerly of Westland died Feb 7     |
| <b>M</b>  |   |
| Blondene L. Maynard                             |   |
| Maynard 85 of Commerce Township died Feb 9      |   |
| <b>P</b>  |   |
| Lorraine Kay Phillips                           |   |
| Phillips 47 formerly of Livonia died            |   |
- Complete paid obituaries can be found inside today's newspaper in Passages on page C5.

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## More options are available for socially responsible investment

When it comes to investing, I have some pretty strong beliefs in how the money should be invested. I do not want to invest in companies that do not have a good environmental record. Do you have any suggestions on how I should invest my money?

Lori

The type of investments you want to look for are typically referred to as socially responsible. In the past, it was difficult for investors to invest in a socially responsible manner, as there were only a few investment options available. In addition, these investment options often underperformed the market. However, that is no longer the case. Socially responsible investing has matured and now there are many good viable investment alternatives.

Socially responsible investing has become a very broad area. Therefore, anyone who is looking at being a socially responsible investor needs first to determine what they consider socially responsible. As an example, there are some mutual funds that are socially responsible in the fact that they will only invest in companies that have good environmental records, while other funds define socially responsible as companies that do not have interest in alcohol, tobacco or the gaming industry.

When you invest in a socially responsible manner, it is important that you do not forget the basics of investing and that is you need to look at the performance of the investment along with cost and fees. In the past, a socially responsible investor was always willing to give up return to accomplish their social goals. However, that is no longer necessary. Socially responsible investors can invest in investments that have solid returns.

The best Web site I know of to search for socially responsible investments is [www.socialfunds.com](http://www.socialfunds.com). This site is very educational and has a wealth of information regarding socially responsible investing.

My recommendation is that you use this site as a guide to help you build a balanced and diversified portfolio. Good luck!

I heard that it is possible to receive your credit report for free. Is this true and if it is, do you know where I should go?

Carlos

You are correct that you can receive your credit report for free. A couple of years ago, pursuant to the Fair and Accurate Transaction Act, individuals are now allowed to obtain free copies of their credit reports from each of the major credit bureaus once a year. To request a free copy of

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your credit report, all you need to do is either go to [www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com) or call (877) 22-9228.

There are three major credit reporting agencies: Equifax, TransUnion and Experian. You are entitled to one free credit report from each of these companies every 12 months. My recommendation is that you do not request a free credit report from each of these companies at the same time. I think it makes sense to spread the receipt of your credit report out throughout the year.

I have seen many advertisements on the internet and on TV regarding free credit reports. Unfortunately, there are strings attached with most of these offers. The only agencies authorized under the Fair and Accurate Transaction Act to provide free credit reports are listed above. All the other organizations are going to have some strings attached.

If you find that there are errors on your credit report, then it is important that you do something. Under the Fair Credit Reporting Act, you and I as individuals have rights to have incorrect information on are reports corrected, however, it is a frustrating process. My belief is that it is worth going through the frustration because in today's world credit reports are just not used just to determine whether you can borrow and the cost of borrowing or not, but also they have other effects. As an example, credit reports are now used by employers in determining whether someone should receive a job and also by automobile insurance companies to determine your premiums. Therefore, I believe it is important to review your credit report on a regular basis to make sure it is accurate.

If you are looking for more information regarding your credit report and correcting it, a great place to go is the Federal Trade Commission's Web site. Its Web site, [www.ftc.gov](http://www.ftc.gov), is an excellent resource.

One last note — when you receive your credit report, it does not include your credit score. Many of us over the last few years have become familiar with our credit score, which is typically between 300 and 900. The free credit report through [www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com) does not offer this service. Good luck!

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## Here are some warming thoughts about the chill

How cold is it? It's so cold, the car windshield de-icer fluid froze.

It's so cold, the heating wires on the back window of the car won't melt the ice.

It's so cold, the wispy thin layer of snow on the sidewalk won't disappear under the heat of the mid-day sun.

Have you noticed that it's cold out lately?

I like the cold way better than I like the heat. When it's cold out, I still feel like moving, even if it's just to generate some personal heat. But when it's hot, I just lay around like a lizard.

But this is beyond cold. This is kind of like what you would encounter on Mars. Of course, this is being written Wednesday, when the temperature is all of 16 degrees. By the time you read this Sunday, it is expected to be a balmy 26 degrees. And the freeze

of the early part of the week will likely just be a bitter memory.

We in Michigan are pretty inured to the cold. I know many people who actually find ways to have fun outside — sking, skating, snowmobiling and with other forms of madness. I even know of a certain naturalist/columnist who went kayaking in the Au Sable River last week and claims he had a great time.

Dementia takes on many forms. But even we have limits. I have noticed that people begin acting weirdly as it gets colder. They move funny. They dart in front of cars and plow over anything in their way. I saw this at Oakland Mall in the depths of the deep freeze blast, when I nearly ran over several people in the parking lot who paid absolutely no attention to the rolling cars. This is especially dangerous, because drivers seem to be affected by the cold as well.

Even drivers are in a hurry to get out of the cold. They appear to be more rude than usual lately.

I might draw a lesson from this to stay away from the malls and shop in downtown Birmingham, which makes no pretense of offering shelter from the frost, except inside the stores.

This has been a strange winter. Until recently, the temperatures were fairly mild and I was beginning to think that

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maybe there was something to this whole global warming controversy.

I have yet to see Al Gore's movie about global warming and I doubt that I ever will, but I have seen *The Day the Earth Froze* (great), *Ice Age* (blah), *The Frozen Dead* (terrific), *The Day After Tomorrow* (dreadful) and *Nanook of the North* (too good for my taste), so I know just how serious the cold can be.

But we're all pretty tough around here, so after three or four really cold days most people seem to adjust and pay little heed to the frost that forms on the inside of the windows. Pedestrians again watch where they are walking and drivers are back to their usual level of vileness.

It's likely the worst is behind us. This is February, well on the way toward spring. No wayward volcanoes have spewed up clouds of sun-blocking smoke and even North Korea doesn't seem hell-bent on creating a nuclear winter anymore.

Now we can sit back and anxiously await what the weeks and months ahead have to offer — the arrival of an astronomical gas bill, the sweltering heat of summer and the promise of perhaps an even colder winter heading into next year.

On that cheery thought, I am going to put on my coat, run to my car outside, which groans when I start it in the cold, head home and crank up the furnace so the oil company executives can buy even bigger yachts.

Happy sailing!

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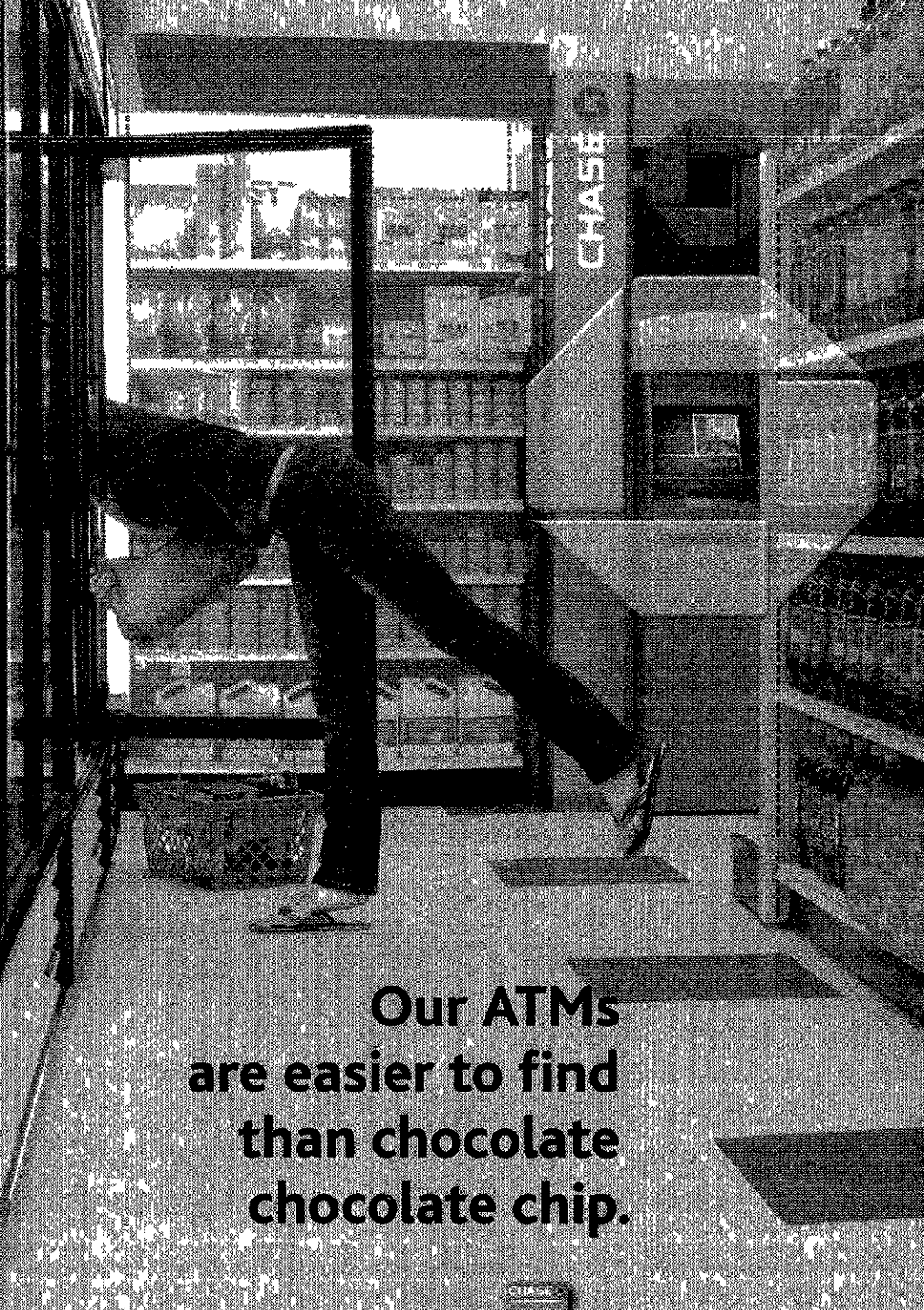
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# Ficano confident a Cobo compromise is possible

BY JOE BAUMAN  
STAFF WRITER

Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano expressed optimism Friday that he and Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson can find middle ground on a financing plan to expand Cobo Center in Detroit.

"Saying he and his Oakland counterpart were more in agreement on a plan for Cobo than it may appear, Ficano said he was hopeful that a blending of the two proposals would result in a "workable solution."

"I believe our operating model works, and Brooks has said he supports the concept of



Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano

having a new, regional authority own and operate the facility,



Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson

Ficano said "It's the funding that is the sticking part

Ficano said he agrees with Patterson that the private sector and the state of Michigan should help finance the project.

"We continue to talk with the various stakeholders, the auto dealers, the Big Three automakers, the governor's office," he said. "The funding plans put forth by Brooks are difficult because they don't recognize the sense of urgency we face in getting this done to secure the future of the North American International Auto Show."

In his State of the County address Wednesday, Patterson said he could not support Ficano's plan to extend the tri-county hotel-motel and liquor

taxes to 2037 to cover the estimated \$425 million expansion.

Instead, Patterson offered five alternative funding proposals, three of which would expand casino-style gambling in the state. A fourth plan would add a \$1.50 surcharge on flights either arriving or transferring at Metro Airport, while a fifth would divert a portion of existing cigarette taxes that now go exclusively to Wayne County.

Patterson acknowledged the need to expand Cobo, and that a larger center would be good for the entire region.

Still, he said he is tired of funding solutions only being thrust upon residents living in

Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. And that is a major problem with the Ficano plan.

"Why is it always Wayne, Oakland, Macomb? That paradigm goes back to the end of World War II," he said. "Let's talk about other counties that have come of age."

Ficano said he believed if additional funding sources can be brought into the mix, he may be able to get Patterson to budge on extending the liquor tax.

"We need to get our staffs working together on this outside of the public forum," he said. "We all agree Cobo needs to be expanded for the benefit of the entire region. We need to move forward and soon."

## College Goal Sunday helps students get college cash

Today has been designated as College Goal Sunday. The statewide public awareness campaign, now in its fourth year, encourages students to apply for federal financial aid no later than March 1. In general, the earlier students apply for the aid, the better their chances at receiving it.

To help make that happen, College Goal Sunday volunteers at 27 Michigan locations will be on hand to help students 2-4 p.m. fill out the free Application For Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), a form many find confusing. The program will be held at Schoolcraft College, Eastern

Michigan University and Wayne State University.

Too many students who don't fill out the FAFSA end up paying more for college than they should or just not going to college at all.

College Goal Sunday, coordinated by the nonprofit, Lansing-based Partnership for Learning, is making a difference. According to new data from the Michigan Department of Treasury, the program has contributed to a 9 percent increase in the number of students who filled out the FAFSA between 2002 and 2005 - the program's second year. An impressive 22 percent

more students during that same period also filled out their FAFSAs before March 1.

"We're helping more Michigan families get money for college," said Bryan Taylor, president of the Partnership. "Waiting to fill out the FAFSA is like flushing money down the drain."

College Goal Sunday program coordinators and volunteers want to sustain that upward trend. There are five new locations and nearly 100 more volunteers than in 2006. These locations span the state, from Wayne State University in Detroit and Lake Michigan College in Benton Harbor, to

Bay de Noc Community College in Escanaba and Lake Superior State University in Sault Ste. Marie. (Information and locations are available at [www.MICollegeGoal.org](http://www.MICollegeGoal.org) or at 1-800-832-2464.)

Volunteers will be ready to help students take the first big step toward college degrees. The FAFSA is the most important document used to decide who gets what scholarships and loans. High school seniors still uncertain about going to college should still complete the FAFSA now, so they can get aid later if they need it.

Parents or students participating in College Goal Sunday need to bring their families completed 2006 IRS 1040 tax return if possible, or their W-2 and 1099 tax documents. Students younger than age 23 should bring a parent or guardian.

Participants will have a chance to enter to win a \$50 Barnes & Noble gift card, one of 10 individual \$200 scholarships or one \$1,000 scholarship.

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The collection will be held with cooperation from Sumpter Township and is scheduled for 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 31, and will be held at the Sumpter Township DPS located behind the Sumpter Township Police Station at 23501 Sumpter Road.

Items that will be accepted include household paints, stains, floor care

items, furniture polish, bathroom cleaners, lawn and garden chemicals, antifreeze, and old computers.

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## Sawchuk named new Plymouth grid coach

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth's new head football coach needed no introduction when he met with his team for the first time Wednesday afternoon.

That's because the Wildcats' newest gridiron leader is Mike Sawchuk, who has served as the program's assistant head coach and defensive coordinator since its inception in the fall of 2002.

The 39-year-old Sawchuk has an extensive coaching portfolio in addition to his five-year tenure at Plymouth. He's also held high-ranking assistant positions at Naples (Fla.) High School, Colon High School and Olivet College.

Sawchuk succeeds Jay Blaylock, who resigned last month. "I'm extremely excited about this opportunity," said Sawchuk, who teaches health and physical education at Plymouth. "I've been here since the program was started, so I'm excited to be able to pick up where Jay left off. I was Jay's right-hand man, so we learned a lot from each other the past five years."

Sawchuk said he wants to retain the entire Plymouth coaching staff that finished the 2006 season.

"We have a very good group of young coaches and I'd like to have them all back," he said.

Sawchuk is the younger brother of Plymouth Athletic Director Terry

Sawchuk, who dismissed himself from the hiring process once Mike Sawchuk applied. A committee that included Plymouth Principal Mike Bee, booster club officials, players and current assistant coaches made the final decision, according to Terry Sawchuk.

"Jay Blaylock went to bat for Mike to get the job, so that tells you a lot about the kind of respect Mike has in the school," said Terry Sawchuk. "Mike's a great coach who will demand discipline and demand that the kids work hard. He will also work hard to make sure his football players are good citizens and good students."

Mike Sawchuk said he will continue to utilize a 4-3 defense.

"Defense wins championships, but you have to move the ball, too," he said. "I'd like to be able to throw the ball more than we have in the past, but with the weather you get in Michigan, you'd better be able to run it, too."

Thirty-one people — some from as far away as Florida, Nevada and Idaho — applied for the job, according to Terry Sawchuk.

Mike Sawchuk and his family — wife, Lisa, and son, Terrance Gordon — reside in Canton Township. Terrance Gordon was named after Mike and Terry's late father, legendary Detroit Red Wings goaltender Terry Sawchuk.

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ANDY RUBENSTEIN

Mike Sawchuk was named Plymouth's new head football coach Wednesday. The 39-year-old Canton resident served as the Wildcats' assistant head coach and defensive coordinator for the past five years.

## FLIGHT OF THE PENGUINS

Team chemistry, loads of talent help PCS icers soar to unbeaten record

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

If you thought Disney's Mighty Ducks were fun, entertaining and successful, you should check out Plymouth-Canton-Salem's powerful Penguins, who are writing a real-life script that is receiving rave reviews in the world of high school girls hockey.

One year after knocking on the door of a state championship, the Penguins are showing signs that this may be the year they skate right through the door.

Following Tuesday night's impressive 5-2 victory over Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood, the Penguins were 13-0-2, which gave them a three-point lead over runner-up Livonia Ladywood in the Michigan Metro High School Girls Hockey League. Thanks to a balanced roster filled with flashy skaters, know-their-role defensemen and an "I-can't-believe-she-just-made-that-save!" goalie, the team has outscored its opponents 79-18.

Last year, the Penguins advanced to the state final before falling to Grosse Pointe South.

Under the guidance of first-year coach Eric Mink, the Penguins have fun together off the ice and work hard once they step on it, which was evident during Wednesday afternoon's spirited practice at Canton's Arctic Edge Ice Arena when they



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Plymouth-Canton-Salem's potent No. 1 line consists of (left to right) Katie Zimmerman, Adrienne Cercone and Sarah Manner. Zimmerman is a sophomore and has led the team in scoring the past two years.

hustled through a one-hour-plus practice like there was no tomorrow.

"We work really hard at practice and everybody's personalities seem to click, both on and off the ice," said junior captain Stephanie Matusiak, when asked for the key to the team's success. "When you get along as well as we do off the ice, it's easy to play well together on it."

"Even though we have girls from all three schools, a lot of days we meet at one of the schools and eat

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The PCS Penguins are led by a strong group of captains and a solid coaching staff. Pictured (from the left) are Kristin Callahan, Adrienne Cercone, Amy Coleman, Keely Kowalski, head coach Eric Mink, Stephanie Matusiak, assistant coach Shawn Rowley and assistant coach Lori Callahan.

## Roberts' late heroics pace Wildcats' win

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

A few verses of AC/DC's "Back in Black" were played during a first-quarter break in Friday night's basketball game between Plymouth and Walled Lake Western.

"Comeback in Black" would have been more appropriate as far as the Wildcats were concerned.

On "Senior Night," black-and-white-clad Plymouth erased a seven-point deficit in the final 1:22 to stun the visiting Warriors, 44-43, in a key Western Lakes Activities Association Western Division contest for both teams.

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Junior guard Brandon Roberts was the hero for the winners as he scored six points — three on a long triple and three on an old-fashioned three-point play — in the final 43.1 seconds.

The victory improved Plymouth's record to 5-10 overall and 2-6 in the division. More importantly, it kept its hopes alive for a WLAAs post-season tournament berth.

The top four teams in the WLAAs Lakes and Western divisions qualify for the tournament. Through Friday night's games, Northville (8-0) and Canton (7-1) had already clinched spots while Wayne (3-4), Western (3-4) and Plymouth (2-6) were battling for the final two berths.

Sean Armstrong's triple from the deep corner gave Western a seemingly comfortable 43-36 advantage with 1:22 left. That's when Roberts turned a somewhat quiet evening into an unforgettable one.

His three-pointer from the corner with 43.1

PLEASE SEE HOOP, B2

## Hengesh nets success in volleyball and soccer

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Brittany Hengesh does some of her best work around nets.

In particular, the ones in the middle of volleyball courts and at the end of soccer fields.

Hengesh, a senior, is one of the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park's top two-sport athletes. For seven months of the year, she's a highly respected stopper for the Wildcats' varsity squad as well as various summer travel teams.

From November through March, she's a middle hitter for the Plymouth volleyball team, which soared last year but has settled in at around 500 this season.



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By the time she graduates in June, Hengesh will have compiled six varsity letters in the two sports — four in soccer and two in volleyball.

"I've been playing soccer a lot longer than volleyball, so that's probably my favorite of the two," she said. "I started playing volleyball in seventh grade, but I didn't start learning a lot about the sport until my freshman year here when I started going to camps at Madonna and Michigan State."

"The thing I like the best about volleyball is that it's really intense. Even the smallest mistake can give the other team a point."

### STEPPING RIGHT IN

Hengesh's introduction to big-time high school varsity volleyball came last January when she earned a start against one of the best teams in the state.

"Jeanne Moise, our top hitter, was injured, so I got to start against Livonia Churchill, which had a very good team," she said. "We ended up losing, but we took them to four or five games."

Despite her inexperience, Hengesh hung tough with the Chargers' two dynamic front-row players, Lauren Krupsky and Kyndra Abron. "We lost four or five seniors off last year's team, so we're very young this year," she said.

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remaining cut the Wildcats deficit to 43-39. Fourteen seconds later, Plymouth junior guard Chris Daniels drive through the lane made it 43-41.

Following a missed Western free throw, Plymouth grabbed the rebound, advanced the ball down court and put it in the hands of Roberts, who started in the corner, drove to within 12 feet of the basket, drew contact, then swished a hanging floater. He then drained the free throw to make it 44-43.

The Warriors dribbled past half court before calling a time-out with 7.8 ticks left. They then gave the ball to guard Darryl Warthen, who dribbled the clock down to 00:2 before calling another TO.

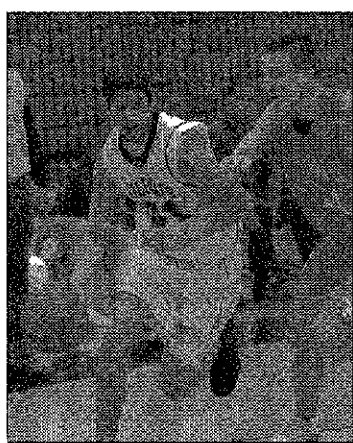
When play resumed, the Warriors sideline inbounds pass bounced high off the rim and the buzzer sounded after it was touched by a player.

Daniels, whose playing time was slim prior to this week, had a huge game for the Wildcats, contributing a game-high 12 points with six rebounds, three assists and two steals. Roberts finished with 11 points and six boards, junior center Jake Hager added nine points and seven caroms, while Navraj Sandhu chipped in with eight points and six rebounds.

Chris started for the first time all season (Thursday night against Northville) and he didn't do a whole lot," said Plymouth coach Tom Van Wagoner. But tonight he brought it and laid it all out there for us. He really got it done at both ends of the court."

Van Wagoner said he and co-coach Jason Maschke wanted Roberts to take the clutch shots down the stretch.

"Brandon's been known to make a big shot or two for us in the past," said Van Wagoner. On the game-winner, he made a



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Plymouth's Navraj Sandhu (31) pictured above in a game earlier this season scored eight points in the Wildcats' 44-43 victory over Walled Lake Western Friday night.

good step-through move, sold the fake and finished it.

Junior guard Ricky Arlen led Western with 10 points. Armstrong and Tony Morgan both twined eight.

The Warriors surged to a 9-0 lead during the games opening four minutes. They extended their advantage to 16-4 at the end of the first quarter.

Led by Hager, Roberts and Sandhu, the Wildcats roared back in the second quarter and trailed just 21-19 at the half. Plymouth's first lead of the night came 50 seconds into the third quarter when Daniels' fast-break layup put the Wildcats up, 22-21. Seniors Nick Boyd and Wes Shelton, who were honored during a pre game ceremony before the game along with fellow senior Kulraj Sandhu, received rare starts. Shelton scored a pair of key baskets late in the third quarter and early in the fourth to help the Wildcats maintain a slim lead.

Kulraj Sandhu did not play due to illness.

Plymouth connected on 7-of-12 free throws. Western canned 7-of-10 shots from the line.

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# Canton cagers hold on to edge Zebras

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Several Canton basketball players were feeling under the weather prior to Friday night's game at Wayne Memorial.

But it was the Zebras who were ill following the game — a 50-46 Chief victory.

The win was a pivotal one for Canton (9-5 overall and 6-1 in the WLAAs' Western Division), which remained just one game behind unbeaten Northville in the battle for the division title. The two teams meet next Friday in the conference regular-season finale.

I was concerned going into tonight's game because Steve (Paye) was out, and Neal Sharma and Ryan Langdon were feeling sick, said Canton coach Charlie Paye. Neal left practice yesterday, but both he and Ryan fought through their sickness and gave us some great minutes.

Eric Thornton, Ryan Waidmann, Josh Butler and Caleb Lerner all played well tonight, too.

Waidmann led the Chiefs with 14 points and six rebounds.

He was also 8-of-9 from the free-throw line. Thornton finished with 11 points — nine coming on three threes — and five blocks, while Sharma contributed seven points and seven rebounds. Langdon added six points and Lerner chipped in with four.

The Zebras were paced by Jeremy Lovelady's 14. Mike Lee, Wayne's leading scorer heading into the contest, was held to 11 by Butler.

"We only had 10 turnovers,

which helped," said Paye. "That's been the key to our turnaround this year — we're taking care of the ball better and we're shooting better than we were earlier in the season."

Canton led 15-11 after one quarter and 26-19 at the half, however, the hosts stormed back to nab a 35-33 lead with eight minutes to play.

Canton sank 12-of-13 free throws.

**W.L. CENTRAL 53, SALEM 44.** One quarter of solid basketball wasn't enough for Salem Friday night in its crucial Western Lakes Activities Association Lakes Division contest at Walled Lake Central.

The Rocks surged to a 20-9 lead after one quarter, but ended up falling to the resurgent Vikings. Salem dropped to 8-7 overall and 5-3 in the Lakes while Central improved to 4-3 in the division.

Westland John Glenn clinched first place in the division thanks to Friday night's victory over Walled Lake Northern.

Salem trailed 28-27 at the half and 40-37 with eight minutes to play.

"We came out of the blocks fast and focused," said Salem coach Bob Brodie. "We didn't play real well Thursday night, so we wanted to make sure we were prepared better tonight. The kids did a nice job in the first quarter, but we just couldn't sustain it."

"They trapped us harder in the second quarter and we threw the ball away a few times. On the defensive end, we committed too many fouls."

Grant Stone, Brian Baumgart and J.P. Truesdell

paced the Rocks with eight points. Eric Peterson and Matt Guldán led the winners with 13 points each.

The Rocks struggled from the free-throw line, sinking just 9-of-21 attempts. Central, on the other hand, was red hot, making 16-of-22 charity tosses.

**CANTON AGAPE 69, FRANKLIN RD. 46:** On Friday, the Wolverines raced to a 13-6 first-quarter lead and never looked back as they improved their record to 10-3 overall and 5-0 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference's Red Division.

Jack Anleitner paced the winners' balanced attack with 19 points and six assists. Also excelling for Agape were Terrell Pierce (17 points and 13 rebounds) and Ty Majeski (13 points).

Josh Mansfield led Franklin Road with 12 points.

The key to the win was that we had more balance and depth for them, said Agape coach Keith Anleitner. We mixed up our defenses and kept them out of their rhythm."

**SALEM 33, W.L. NORTHERN 30:**

The Rocks improved to 8-6 overall and 5-2 in the WLAAs' Lakes Division in a game made up from Tuesday night's weather-delayed contest. The Knights slipped to 4-10 and 1-6, respectively.

We played well defensively tonight, said Salem coach Bob Brodie. "We did a lot of trapping in the second half and we did a good job on their best player, Ryan Bahnmiller."

"Offensively, it was like there was a lid on the basket for both teams."

The Rocks' leading scorer was reserve guard Mike

Marek, who netted 10 points, six coming from a pair of threes. Dan Cassidy chipped in with five points.

"Our bench did a great job," Brodie said. "Marek really gave us a spark and Tyler Jelenewski did a nice job taking care of the ball when he was in there."

Northern led 11-8 after one quarter and 18-16 at the break. The Rocks took a 23-21 advantage into the final eight minutes.

Steve Knurck led the Knights with eight points. Bahnmiller was held to a season-low six.

Salem drained 6-of-10 free throws. Northern was 5-of-11 from the charity stripe.

**NORTHVILLE 68, PLYMOUTH 45:** On Thursday in Northville, the Mustangs led from wire-to-wire to improve their record to 13-1 overall and 7-0 in the WLAAs' Western Division. The Wildcats slipped to 4-10 and 1-6, respectively.

Brandon Roberts paced Plymouth with 15 points. Navraj Sandhu also played well, chipping in with 13.

Alvin Storrs sparked the winners with 33 points.

"Storrs did pretty much whatever he wanted to do tonight, especially in the first half when he had 20," said Plymouth coach Tom Van Wagoner.

Northville led 18-11 after one quarter, 38-26 at the half and 53-26 with eight minutes to play. The Wildcats went scoreless in the third quarter.

The Mustangs outrebounded the Wildcats, 25-15.

Plymouth made just 1-of-7 free throws while Northville went 12-of-15 from the stripe.

Northville drained six triples.

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## Western blocks Chief spikers in 3 games

Plagued by an uncharacteristically high number of errors, the Canton volleyball team dropped a Western Lakes Activities Association Western Division match to Walled Lake Western Wednesday night, 25-22, 25-18 and 25-22.

The setback dropped the Chiefs' division record to 3-4. "We started out well but continued to make too many

serving errors throughout the match," said Canton coach Jen Barnes. "We just can't afford to make as many errors as we are against strong teams."

We did put up a great fight at the end of the third game — we had a rally of four points when Western had game point — and we made some great plays. We just need to find a way to play with that aggress-

sion all of the time.

Topping the Chiefs' statistical ledger were Marie Martin (six kills and five blocks), Jordan Kieley (six kills and eight digs), Ellie Kenny (six kills) and Kacy Moran (23 assists and 15 digs).

Canton returns to action Monday when it hosts Wayne Memorial in a 7 p.m. match in the Phase III gymnasium.

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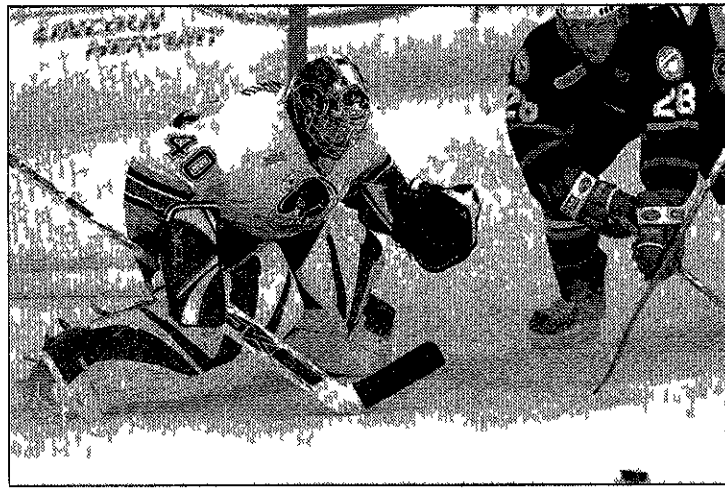
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# Plymouth goaltender lauded

Plymouth Whalers goaltender Michal Neuvirth has been named the Ontario Hockey League's Goaltender of the Month for January. Neuvirth posted a 1.29 goals-against average and a 0.960 save percentage in nine games for the Whalers. Neuvirth went 7-1-0-0 and posted three shutouts during the month. Neuvirth had two of the shutouts in back-to-back games. The first was a 5-0 victory over the Owen Sound Attack on New Year's Day and the second was a 3-0 win in



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Plymouth Whalers goalie Michal Neuvirth was named the Ontario Hockey League's 'Goaltender of the Month' for January. The net-minder has been a key cog in the team's surge to first place in the OHL's Western Division.

London over the Knights on Jan. 5.

Neuvirth's shutout streak reached 164:18 and was the second longest in Whalers history behind Rob Zepps' 182:13 streak from Jan. 21-29, 2000.

Neuvirth's final shutout of the month was on Jan. 27,

when he made 42 saves to blank Sault Ste. Marie 6-0 and was named first star of the game.

The native of the Czech Republic currently leads the OHL with an 0.930 save percentage and is second in the league with four shutouts.

# Whalers double up Attack, 6-3

The Plymouth Whalers led from start to finish with six different goal scorers in a 6-3 victory over the Owen Sound Attack in an Ontario Hockey League game played Friday night at the Compuware Sports Arena.

Dan Collins (21st), Tom Sestito (team-leading 32nd), James Neal (26th), Chris Terry (13th), Sean O'Connor (15th) and Jared Boll (21st) all scored

for the winners, who improved to 36-13-1-2. Trevor Lewis, Marcus Carroll and Howie Martin scored for Owen Sound, which fell to 24-24-3-3.

The Whalers remain 11 points ahead of second-place Saginaw (31-19-0-2) in the OHL's Western Division.

Plymouth led 3-1 after one period and 5-2 after forty minutes.

Collins' goal got things rolling 45 seconds into the contest. It followed a heavy hit by Neal on an Owen Sound defender at the right wing.

Owen Sound outshot Plymouth, 39-33. Whalers goalie Michal Neuvirth raised his record to 21:7-1-1.

The Whalers travel to Windsor on Sunday to take on the Spitfires. The opening faceoff is set for 7:05 p.m.

# LaJoie's two goals lead Chief icers to win

Alex LaJoie had a pair of goals Friday, including the game-winner at 7:18 of the final period, along with an assist as Canton downed host Livonia Franklin (3-16, 1-5), 4-2, in a WLLA-Western Division game played at Edgar Arena.

Anthony Bonnet and Brad Barath added goals for the Chiefs, who scored three times in the final period.

Zane Birchler made 25 saves for Canton, while Austin Mesler had 12 for Franklin.

Devon Bower scored both goals for the Patriots, including a goal with 43 seconds left in the opening period from Ben Kubiak and Ryan Hudie to make it 1-1. Bower's goal at 5:47 of the final period from Jordan Chisholm made it 2-1.

Franklin took a total of 15 penalties, including 11 in the final

period. "Canton played a good game, they played consistently and stayed out of the (penalty) box," Franklin coach Terry Jobbitt said. "Our guys have got to realize they need to stay out of the box because it's hurting our team."

**CHURCHILL 6, SALEM 4** State-ranked Livonia Churchill (15-2, 6-0) stormed back from an early third period deficit Wednesday to beat the Rocks (7-10-2, 2-3-1) in a WLLA-Lakes Division game at Edgar Arena.

Salems bus arrived an hour late for the 6 p.m. start and because of time constraints, the game was reduced to three 13-minute periods with no intermission. The Rocks built a 4-2 lead on goals by Nate Werdha, who scored twice, along with Joel Cheesman and Steve Heisler. Garrett Miencier's unassisted

goal at 5:13 of the final period tied the game at 4-4. Steve Greco then scored the game-winner at 7:34 from Kyle Burke and Kody Strong. Dustin Wischmeyer scored twice for Churchill, including an empty netter with just 13 seconds remaining to seal the win. Tony Ross and Burke also notched goals in the win.

"I think the late start helped their (Salems) guys and hindered us," Churchill coach Pete Mazzoni said. "But we showed a lot of resolve and did not panic. We stuck together when we were down two goals early in the third period."

Churchill outshot the Rocks, 30-15, as Aaron Crouse and Scott Lewan split the goaltending duties for the Chargers. Ralph Aspenwall went all the way in goal for Salem.

# Olympic legend Gardner inspires Canton wrestlers

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Canton's wrestling team received a boost of inspiration from a wrestling legend prior to Thursday night's Western Lakes Activities Association cross-over match against visiting Livonia Churchill.

Olympic gold medal-winning heavyweight Rulon Gardner, now a motivational speaker and author, pumped up the Chiefs with a rousing speech a short time before the match. Canton then went out on Senior Night and rolled over the Chargers, 47-15, to improve to 24-3 overall and 5-1 in the WLAA.

Gardner won a gold medal at the 2000 Olympic Games when he beat previously unbeaten Russian Aleksandr Karelin, 1-0, in what is considered the 'Miracle on the Mat.' In 2004, he captured a bronze medal not long after having

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one of his toes amputated following a snowmobile accident.

Rulon was in the state to make another speech this morning and he was gracious enough to come over and talk to the team, said Canton coach Casey Randolph. "We didn't tell the team he was coming, so it was a nice surprise for them. He talked about overcoming obstacles in wrestling and in life, and about pushing through adversity. He's a great motivator."

Randolph was especially pleased with the performances of 130-pound sophomore Josh Hurst and 145-pound senior Jo Sanders.

Josh was losing, 4-3, going into the third period, but he got a reversal in the last 20 seconds to pull out the win, Randolph said of Hurst. "He's been working his tail off, so it

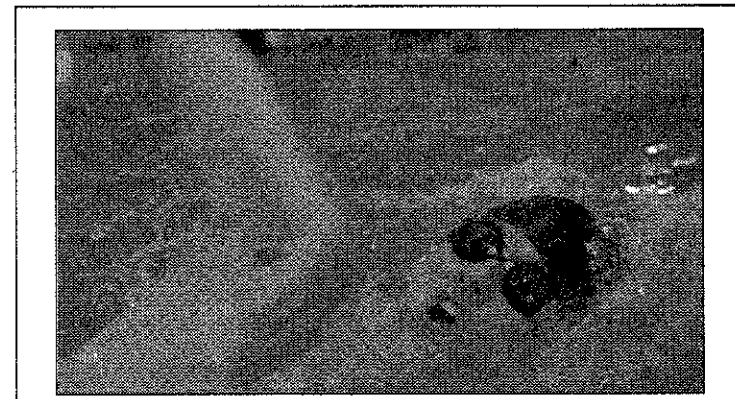
was nice to see him get a win in front of the home crowd. Jo was tied at 1-1 in overtime and he got a takedown. It was a great win for him, especially since it came on Senior Night."

Canton seniors Corey Phillips and Donnie Laramie recorded their 194th and 110th career victories, respectively.

**CANTON 47**  
**LIVONIA CHURCHILL 15**  
Thursday at Canton  
**140 pounds** Corey Phillips (C) pinned Josh Gustitus in 1:04. **145** Jo Sanders (C) dec. Dan Small 3:1 in overtime. **152** Kyle Price (C) dec. Allan Fransten 7:2. **160** Brian Ziemba (LC) dec. Brian Brubaker 9:3. **171** J.J. Vandenvosche (LC) pinned Adam Powers in 1:57. **189** Dan Wanshon (C) won by major decision 12:4 over Curtis Castlebury. **215** Jon Webster (C) dec. John Shekell 4:0. **285** Donnie Laramie (C) pinned Mark Parrash in 44 seconds. **103** Donnie Watkins (C) pinned Brian Bashaw in 46 seconds. **112** Carl Lucke (C) dec. Matt Hecksel 4:2. **119** Andrew Murray (LC) pinned Adam Fleishmann in 5:35. **125** Steve Cox (C) pinned Tim Hecksel in 2:55. **130** Josh Hurst (C) dec. Adam Rowe 5:4. **135** Brent Winekoff (C) won by major decision 11:2 over J.P. Gaffke.

## SWIM RESULTS

**SALEM 106**  
**W.L. CENTRAL 77**  
Thursday at Salem  
**200-yard medley relay:** 1. W.L. Central (Ryan Miceli, Mike Wilson, Brad Nedrow, Sean Riley) 1:51.01. 2. Salem (Matt Underhill, Stan Chen, Cameron Dunn, Jason Williams) 1:51.14. 3. Salem (Jimmy Crabill, David Olson, Casey Olson, Nathan Spala) 1:56.72.  
**200 freestyle:** 1. Nick Leone (S) 1:51.74. 2. Matt Underhill (S) 1:58.92. 3. Doug Fransiohi (S) 2:08.15.  
**200 IM:** 1. David Olson (S) 2:15.26. 2. Stan Chen (S) 2:17.50. 3. Brad Nedrow (WLC) 2:17.53.  
**50 freestyle:** 1. Jon Babb (S) 24.22. 2. Sean Riley (WLC) 24.77. 3. Jason Williams (S) 25.03.  
**1 meter diving:** 1. Matt Funn (WLC) 153.35 points. 2. Kevin Smith (S) 148.25. 3. Joe Nodge (WLC) 126.95.  
**100 butterfly:** 1. Nick Leone (S) 57.52. 2. Brad Nedrow (WLC) 3. Ryan Miceli (WLC) 1:02.83.  
**100 freestyle:** 1. Jon Babb (S) 53.42. 2. Sean Riley (WLC) 53.54. 3. Ben Baumgarten (WLC) 55.29.  
**500 freestyle:** 1. Stan Chen (S) 5:32.03. 2. Tory Tederrington (WLC) 5:37.30. 3. Mike Wilson (WLC) 5:37.70.  
**200 freestyle relay:** 1. Salem (David Olson, Jason Williams, Jon Babb, Nick Leone) 1:36.59. 2. W.L. Central (Matt Jannette, Ben Baumgarten, Mike Wilson, Ryan Miceli) 1:44.36. 3. Salem (Casey Olson, Joe De Tassanyi, Kevin Smith, Jimmy Crabill) 1:46.49.  
**100 backstroke:** 1. Matt Underhill (S)



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## Silver lining in defeat

Plymouth's Mike Conger won the 500-yard freestyle event at Thursday night's dual meet against WLLA-leading Northville. The Wildcats lost the meet, 133-53. Details of the contest were not available as of Friday night's deadline.

**101.58** 2. Ryan Miceli (WLC) 1:04.58. 3. Matt Jannette (WLC) 1:09.46.  
**100 breaststroke:** 1. Mike Wilson (WLC) 1:10.69. 2. Nathan Spala (S) 1:10.82. 3. David Olson (S) 1:13.29.  
**400 freestyle relay:** 1. Salem (Nick Leone, Jon Babb, Matt Underhill, Stan Chen) 3:32.51. 2. W.L. Central (Brad Nedrow, Matt Jannette, Ben Baumgarten, Sean Riley) 3:46.53. 3. Salem (Nick Hoffmeyer, Joe De Tassanyi, Jimmy Crabill, Doug Fransiohi), 4:03.32.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

**BOYS BASKETBALL**  
Monday, Feb. 12  
PCA at Southfield Christian 7:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, Feb. 13  
Canton at Livonia Franklin 7 p.m.  
Plymouth at Wayne Memorial 7 p.m.  
Huron Valley at Canton Agape  
at Garden City United Christian 7 p.m.  
Westland John Glenn at Salem 7 p.m.  
Friday, Feb. 16  
Northville at Canton 7 p.m.  
Plymouth at Livonia Franklin 7 p.m.  
PCA at Inter City Baptist 7:30 p.m.  
Salem at Livonia Churchill 7 p.m.  
Saturday, Feb. 17  
Light & Life at Canton Agape  
at Calvary Christian 7:15 p.m.  
**PREP VOLLEYBALL**  
Monday, Feb. 12  
Wayne Memorial at Canton 7 p.m.  
W.L. Western at Plymouth 7 p.m.  
Southfield Christian at PCA 7 p.m.

Salem at W.L. Central 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, Feb. 13  
Canton Agape at Lutheran South 5 p.m.  
Wednesday, Feb. 14  
Canton at Livonia Franklin 7 p.m.  
Plymouth at Wayne Memorial 7 p.m.  
Westland John Glenn at Salem 7 p.m.  
Thursday, Feb. 15  
Washnetaw Christian at Canton Agape  
at Calvary Christian 7:30 p.m.  
Inter City Baptist at PCA 7 p.m.  
Saturday, Feb. 17  
Canton at Ladywood Invite 9 a.m.  
**PREP HOCKEY**  
Tuesday, Feb. 13  
Canton at Plymouth at  
Compuware Sports Arena 8 p.m.  
Ann Arbor at PCS Penguins  
at Arctic Edge Ice Arena 6:30 p.m.  
W.L. Central at Salem at  
Plymouth Cultural Center 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 16  
Livonia Franklin at Plymouth  
at Compuware Sports Arena 7 p.m.  
**PREP WRESTLING**  
Wednesday, Feb. 14  
Canton Plymouth and Salem  
at Div. I Team District  
at Salem 5 p.m.  
Saturday, Feb. 17  
Canton Plymouth and Salem at  
Div. I Individual District at Saline TBA  
Saturday, Feb. 10  
WLLA Conference Meet  
at Canton 9 a.m.  
**GIRLS GYMNASTICS**  
Tuesday, Feb. 13  
Quad meet at Canton 7 p.m.  
Thursday, Feb. 15  
Salem at Walled Lake 7 p.m.  
Wednesday, Feb. 14  
Brighton at Plymouth 7 p.m.

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**HENGESH**

FROM PAGE B1  
"It's a great group of girls though"

**CLOSE CALL**

With one false step on the night of Jan 17, Hengesh's short-term athletic future took a threatening turn for the worse

Early in the Wildcats' match against Canton, Hengesh soared high for a kull, but she landed awkwardly and felt a sickening pain in her knee

Moments after she was carried off the court, the senior captain heard the words every athlete dreads

"My knee swelled up right away, so our trainer thought it might be a meniscus injury," Hengesh remembered. "Thankfully, it was just a strain and I only missed two or three matches. At the time, I was thinking about college and whether or not I'd still be able to play soccer"

"It was tough sitting on the bench and watching while I was out. During the time I had to sit out, it made me appreciate how much I enjoyed competing in sports"

**DEFENSIVE SPECIALIST**

Hengesh has been the starting stopper for the Wildcats' girls soccer team since her freshman year and her talents on the pitch have earned her an athletic scholarship to Olivet Nazarene University, an NAIA college located in Bourbonnais, Ill. She also received interest from a couple Michigan colleges who wanted her to play volleyball at the next level, but soccer won out

"Except for when I'm playing volleyball, I play soccer pretty much year-round," said Hengesh. "When I was on the varsity soccer team my freshman year it was nice because there was only a sophomore



ED HENGESH

Brittany Hengesh has been a starter for the Plymouth soccer team since her freshman season. She has earned an athletic scholarship at Olivet Nazarene University in Bourbonnais, Ill.

class ahead of me, so most of us were at the same level

"Things are looking promising for us this season. We have a lot of talented players back and we have a couple transfers from (Livonia) Ladywood

Hengesh's academic skills are on a par with her athletic attributes. A 3.4 student, she plans on eventually pursuing a career in athletic training

"I think it would be cool to work as a trainer at a high school," she said

**ANOTHER HENGESH**

While the Plymouth athletics program will take a hit when Hengesh graduates this summer, it will be replenished in the fall when Brittany's younger sister, McKenzie, will start her freshman year at the high school

"She plays volleyball and soccer like me, and she's pretty good, too," the elder Hengesh said. "It will be fun coming back and watching her play"

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**PENGUINS**

FROM PAGE B1

lunch together. We get together a lot during the off-season and have fun, too

**CLOSE-KNIT CREW**

The team has used activities like pasta parties, sleepovers and charitable fund raisers to overcome the three-school obstacle that may cause disharmony on less-stable squads

"I think that coming from three different schools actually makes us pull together and unite more than some other teams, said junior captain Amy Coleman. "We've had our rough times like all teams do, but we've pulled together really well"

Mink, who was an assistant for last year's head coach, Lori Callahan, said the Penguins' success is the result of a combination of factors, including solid team chemistry and flat-out talent

"We have really good team speed," said Mink. "I think it would be hard to find a team in our league that has as many good skaters as we do. We move the puck well, too. There are no huge egos on this team"

**TIE THAT BINDS**

Mink said an early-season 5-5 tie against Ladywood helped propel the Penguins in the right direction

"We were down 3-0 early in the game, but the girls didn't quit," he said. "They fought back, got the point and gained a lot of confidence from that because



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Members of the Plymouth Canton-Salem Penguins warm up at the Arctic Edge Ice Arena prior to Monday's practice

everybody considered Ladywood as the team to beat back then

Offensively, the Penguins are paced by the No. 1 line of Katie Zimmerman, Adrienne Cercone and Matusiak

The slick-skating Zimmerman has led the team in scoring the past two seasons despite the fact she's just a sophomore. The team's offense has also received a boost from first-year player Nikki Songer, a former travel player who is a savvy passer and slick puck-handler

The teams league-leading defense, which has shut out nearly half of its opponents, is anchored by junior goalie Kristie Kowalski, who recorded 10 shutouts last season

"Kristie is awesome," said Coleman. "I don't know how she makes some of the saves she does. She pulls some of them out at the very last second when we need them the most. I don't know where we'd be without her

well, so there's no talk about splitting them up. My gut feeling is that eventually we're going to have to split up into two or three teams, but it's going to be hard because we don't cut players now and we only had 22 girls come out this year"

Matusiak said the Penguins are aware of the controversy, but try to focus on their task at hand - winning games

"We try to stay positive and we don't talk a lot about them splitting us up next year, but I know everybody thinks about it," she said. "It's pretty sad that the rest of the league can't handle us. It's not like we're cutting players"

"Yes, we've been successful, but we have some amazing skaters and some not-so-amazing skaters. It's not like we have all All-Stars"

"We barely have enough players for one team, so I don't know how they could split us up," added Coleman. "But if it does happen, it would be great if we could win the championship in our last year together"

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## Valentine dinner not a diet-killer

If you plan to share a romantic dinner for Valentines Day with your sweetheart, you can do it without compromising your diet.

Almost all major restaurant chains have their menus online and many include nutritional information. CalorieKing.com and NutritionalData.com are great sources for nutritional information for individual foods and restaurants. Take a few minutes before you go out to use the Web to help you make a healthy choice ahead of time.

### WHEN YOU GET THERE

■ Order salad dressings and other sauces on the side. This way, you have control over how much or how little you add.

■ When ordering grilled fish or vegetables, ask that the food either be grilled without butter or oil, or prepared "light," with little oil or butter.

■ When ordering pasta dishes, look for tomato-based sauces rather than cream-based sauces. Tomato-based sauces are much lower in fat and calories. In addition, the tomato/marinara sauce can count as a vegetable!

■ Drink water, diet soda, or unsweetened tea or coffee instead of regular soda or alcoholic beverages. This will save a lot of calories each day.

■ Share a dessert with a friend. Half the dessert equals half the calories.

■ Share an appetizer. Same rule as above applies.

■ When having soup, keep in mind cream-based soups are higher in fat and calories than other soups. Soup serves as a great appetizer to a meal, or as an entree. Most soups are low in calories and will fill you up, so you eat less.

■ Order steamed vegetables as a side dish instead of starch.

■ Ask for salsa with a baked potato instead of sour cream, butter, cheese, or bacon. Salsa is low in calories and a healthy alternative with a lot of spice.

■ Stop eating when you are full — listen to the cues your body gives you.

■ Order sandwiches with mustard rather than mayonnaise or special sauce. Mustard adds flavor with virtually no calories.

■ Take half of your meal home. The second half can serve as a second meal! (Two meals for the price of one. What a deal!)

■ If you want to eat less, order an appetizer and a salad, as your meal.

■ If you have a choice of side dishes, opt for baked potato or steamed vegetables rather than french fries. Even if choices are not listed, ask your server to substitute vegetables or a baked potato for french fries.

■ Look for items on the menu that are baked, grilled, dry-sauteed, broiled, poached, or steamed. These cooking techniques use less fat in the food preparation and are generally lower in calories.

■ Don't be afraid to ask for special low-calorie or low-fat preparation of a menu item. The restaurant industry is one of hospitality and customer choice. They aim to please.

■ Plain bread or yeast rolls are relatively low in fat and calories. It's the butter and oil you add that increases the fat and calories.

■ Choose entrees with fruits and vegetables as key ingredients. Enjoy the flavors they offer. Fruits and vegetables are a good source of dietary fiber as well as many vitamins and minerals.

■ Choose foods made with whole grains.

### ENJOY

Focus on the company and enjoy every bite. Food is wonderful and is meant to be enjoyed. Food is just food. It's how we use it that affects our weight and how we feel about food and weight. It's not the enemy. Learn to feel your hunger.

Listening to your body will help you eat whatever you want and not gain weight.

Linda Aubuchon is the owner of Diet Center of Canton, a provider of personalized weight loss solutions. She can be reached via e-mail at Linda@DietCenterofCanton.com or by phone at (734) 414 9200.

# Straight to the heart



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Deborah Slobin (left) and her mother, Irene Slobin (center), help couples find true love through their business, Irene and Deborah's Old Fashioned Matchmaking Service. Client Andrea Caplan recommends the service to anyone who doesn't have time to search for love themselves.

## Matchmakers help Cupid's arrows find their mark

BY SARA CALLENDER  
STAFF WRITER

Irene Slobin calls it intuition. Her daughter, Deborah Slobin, says it's magic.

Whatever the definition, the West Bloomfield residents have successfully set up hundreds of couples through their business, Irene & Deborah's Old Fashioned Matchmaking Service.

Sometimes when you meet a person, you know who'll they match up with, Deborah said. My mom is phenomenal at it. There's really no way to describe it, but it works. Basically, we love people.

The dating service is "old-fashioned" because the pair doesn't use computer programs to make matches. Instead, they field telephone calls then meet their clients in person for lunch or coffee.

"We want to know who you are first," Irene said. "We want to get to know the soul of the person."

Clients are a microcosm of soci-



West Bloomfield resident Andrea Caplan (center) gets advice from matchmakers Deborah and Irene Slobin.

**'Sometimes when you meet a person, you know who'll they match up with. My mom is phenomenal at it. There's really no way to describe it, but it works. Basically, we love people.'**

Deborah Slobin

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## Indulge in favorite cookies of U.S. presidents at tea

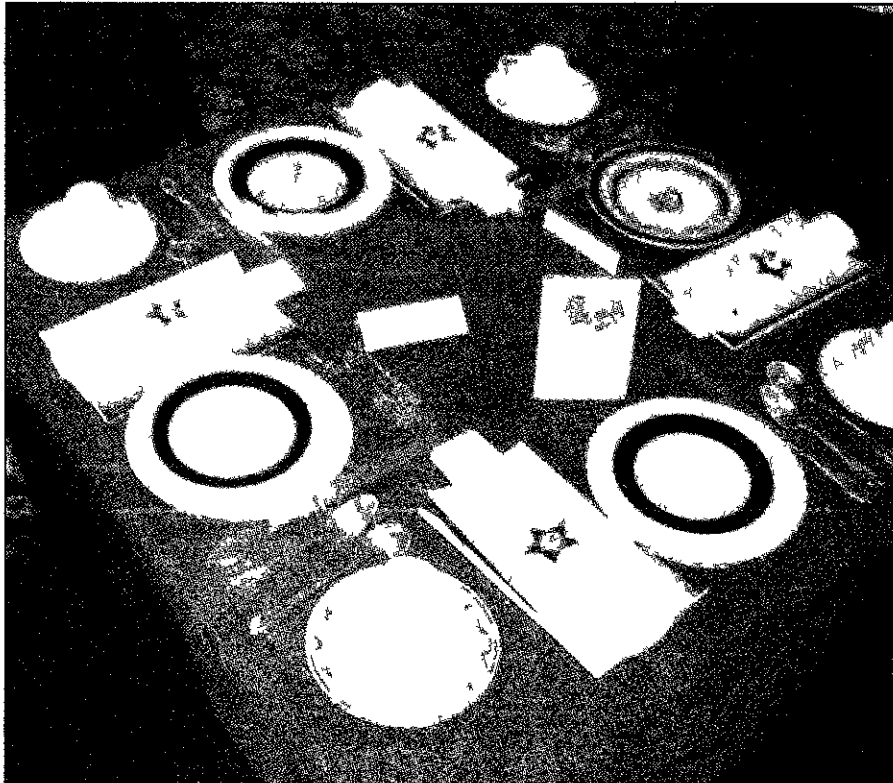
BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

Did you know former President Jimmy Carter's favorite cookies were Pecan Squares or that George Washington often requested crab bisque during his years at the White House? Guests at a Presidential Tea will not only have the opportunity to taste these favorites, but take home a booklet with the recipes. The afternoon of delights takes place in the Alexander Blue House at Greenmead Historical Park 3-5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24.

Tickets are \$25 and sold only in advance. Proceeds go to restore and preserve Greenmead. Purchased by the city of Livonia in 1976, the historic site is home to 20 buildings in which early residents lived, shopped and attended church. It is divided into two sections — one reflecting the 1850s, the other the early 1920s. For tickets to the tea or more information, call (248) 477 7375.

The menu includes tea sandwiches, desserts, tea, and scones with either blueberries and cherries or cranberries in keeping with the red, white and blue theme.

"We're featuring presidential favorite cookies and compiled a variety of four to five different cook-



Guests will enjoy sitting at tables set with presidential china and a red, white and blue theme.

ies," said Linda Wiacek, recreation supervisor at Greenmead. We have about 25 favorite recipes. We've

been collecting them over the years. The Jimmy Carter Pecan Squares we love them so much we serve them at

every tea. They were introduced as Pecan Diamonds by the White House pastry chef Harry Haller and became a favorite of the family."

Greenmead began presenting teas in the historical setting in 2004.

"Our teas are very popular," said Wiacek. "We're really kind of fussy. We use real china, silver and little fancy covered dishes on the table set with red and blue linens with white napkins. There's a good selection of presidential china at each table, and a presidential exhibit of photos, prints, posters."

"In keeping with the theme our speaker is Sandi Knollenberg, wife of U.S. Rep. Joe Knollenberg. She's been involved in first ladies' luncheons and will be able to talk about various White House experiences over the years."

As a thank you for coming to the tea, guests will be given the booklet with favorite recipes and fun facts about U.S. presidents.

"We have recipes for Chewy Macaroons from Lyndon Johnson, McKinley, who purchased the Alaskan territories, we have his Ice Box Cookies. The Lincoln cookies are not real pretty looking but oh, my gosh, they're delicious."

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

AROUND TOWN

**Princess ball**  
The Northville Parks and Recreation Department hosts the Princess Ball 3-5 p.m. or 6-8 p.m. Saturday Feb. 24 for girls ages 3 and older and their dads. The event takes place at the Recreation Center at Hillside 700 W. Baseline in Northville. Register by going to the parks and recreation office 700 W. Baseline. Cost is \$10 and each little princess gets a gift bag, cookies and crafts. For more information call Cheryl Mudd (248) 349-0203 Ext. 1411.

**Bocce for bucks**  
Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan's signature fund raising event Bocce for Bucks III sponsored by Complete Infusion Services offers patrons an opportunity to receive professional instruction on the sport from World Cup Bocce players. The event takes place 2-6 p.m. Sunday April 22 at the Palazzo di Bocce in Orion Township. Bocce for Bucks III features an afternoon of indoor bocce ball tournament play ideal for families and people of all ages. An Italian buffet silent auction and much more. No prior experience or equipment needed. Dress is casual and prizes will be awarded to the top teams. New this year is a private benefactor reception to be held 6 p.m. Sunday March 25 at Park West Gallery in Southfield. Funds raised will help provide an innovative life saving system. VNA's TeleHomecare program used by VNA to educate and empower patients by checking their health between home visits. Tickets are available with the following benefits: \$100 Guest ticket. Receives bocce play, Italian buffet, dinner, beer/wine, desserts, silent auction and exit gift \$150 Patron ticket. Receives all of the above plus expert bocce instruction from World Cup Bocce Players one hour prior to event start and \$200 Benefactor ticket. Receives all of the above plus invitation to Private Benefactor Reception. For sponsorship, advertising or ticket information for Bocce for Bucks III call (248) 967-8324 or visit vna.org.

**Indian culture**  
The 2007 Wayne State University's Indian Students Association Culture Show takes place 7 p.m. Saturday Feb. 17 at the Ford Community and Performing Arts Center 15801 Michigan Ave. in Dearborn. Tickets are \$10 and \$12 and may be obtained by emailing wsuisa@gmail.com with the number of tickets you would like. For more information call Milind Gandhi (586) 438-0528.

**Genealogical societies**  
The Western Wayne County Genealogical Society will be meeting earlier this month due to city schedule changes. The group meets from 6:30-9 p.m. Monday Feb. 12 at Livonia's Civic Park Senior Center 15218 Farmington. A two-hour workshop will feature a beginner's table scanning, publishing family book and various ethnic research aides. Those with a brick wall query should e-mail in advance to www.rootsweb.com/~mwwcgs putting February Workshop in the subject line. Visit the Web site for further information or call Margaret (734) 522-4050.

The Irish Genealogical Society of Michigan presents a program titled Using City Directories to Find Your Irish. Saturday Feb. 17 Kathleen LaBudie Szakall will show the importance of directories how they can pinpoint when people came to an area when they married and died names of children and much more. LaBudie Szakall is an Ontario resident and is very active in the Bruce/Grey Co. Branch of the Ontario Genealogical Society and in the Polish Genealogical Society. The meeting starts at 1:30 p.m. at the Gaelic League/Irish American Club in Detroit. The club is located at 2068 Michigan Ave. (four blocks west of Tiger Stadium). Fenced-in parking is available behind the building. The program is open to the public free of charge. For more information call Michael Brautigam (734) 454-3495.

**Ewald scholarship**  
The HT Ewald Foundation is accepting applications for its 2007 scholarship program. Completed application must be postmarked by March 1, 2007. To be eligible one must be a graduating high school student living in Metro Detroit and entering college full time in the fall. Scholarship recipients are chosen based on their overall scholarship record, leadership abilities, community work, character and financial need. To apply one must send in an official HT Ewald Foundation Scholarship application, three or more letters of recommendation, a photograph, a minimum of 500 word autobiography and a complete high school transcript. Scholarships are awarded yearly in early August. The scholarship awards range from \$500 to \$3,500 and the amount is based on the financial need of the recipient. The number of scholarships awarded varies every year. The scholarships are renewable for up to four years. For an application or more information call the HT Ewald Foundation office at (313) 821-1278.

**Climb Detroit**  
Registration has begun for the first Climb Detroit fund raiser to benefit the American Lung Association of Michigan. The event a stair climb up 70 flights at the Marriott Detroit at the Renaissance Center Michigan's tallest building takes place Sunday Feb. 25. Registration is at 7:30 a.m. the climb starts at 8:30 a.m. Climbers will be awarded by age group and fastest time. Pre-registration required by Feb. 20. Cost of the climb is \$35 with an additional fund raising minimum of \$65 for the full climb and \$45 for the half climb. To register visit www.climbdetroit.org or call the ALAM office (248) 784-2026.

**Winter garage sale**  
Sts. Peter & Paul Romanian Orthodox Church Ladies Auxiliary hosts its seventh annual Winter Garage Sale 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (with a bag sale 3-4 p.m.) Saturday Feb. 24 at Sts. Peter & Paul Banquet Hall 750 N. Beech Daly (between Ford Rd. & Cherry Hill) in Dearborn Heights. For more information visit www.spproc.org.

**Egg-citing science**  
Crack Open EGG citing Science at the Ann Arbor Hands On Museum's March Sciencepalooza Saturday March 3 and Sunday March 4. For March's Sciencepalooza visitors can explore the many uses of the egg. Sciencepalooza is a special themed event held the first weekend of every month at the Ann Arbor Hands On Museum. Sciencepalooza activities hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and noon 4 p.m. Sunday. The museum is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday Saturday and noon 5 p.m. Sunday. Call (734) 995-5439 for more information.

**Waste to Watts**  
The Ann Arbor Hands On Museum has extended the Waste to Watts exhibition through summer of 2007 due to popular demand. Waste to Watts shows how new environmentally friendly technology can turn our trash into electricity. Developed by Landfill Energy Systems of Wixom Michigan this one of a kind exhibit demonstrates how methane gas recovery from landfills can be used as an alternative energy source ultimately reducing our dependency on other fuels. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday Saturday noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. For information visit www.aahom.org or call (734) 995-5439.

**VNA seeks volunteers**  
The Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan's hospice program needs compassionate volunteers to comfort and support patients at the end of life in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. In as little as two to four hours per week, volunteers can provide companionship, write a memoir, provide respite for family members or provide office support. A free 15-hour comprehensive training program is provided. The next training session is Feb. 17 and 24 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. All training takes place at the Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan headquarters at 25900 Greenfield Road Suite 600. For more information or to register call (800) 882-5720 Ext. 8361 or visit www.vna.org.

**Card party/luncheon**  
Victoria Chapter #290 OES Livonia Masonic Temple hosts a card party/luncheon noon 3 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month. Admission is \$6. Event features table prizes and door prizes. The temple is located at 27705 W. Seven Mile in Livonia. For more information call (734) 459-6063.

**Hospice training**  
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.

**Literacy Council tutors**  
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.

**Toastmasters meet**  
Do you have a fear of public speaking? Do you need to do presentations at work and don't know where to start? Or are you terrified of the thought of standing in front of a group of people to present that report? If you answered yes to

any of these questions then Toastmasters is for you! Canton Communicators Club meets every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at the Canton Coney Island on Lilley just south of Joy in the Golden Gate Plaza. For additional information contact Bonnie at (734) 646-2237.

**Grief support**  
New Hope Center for Grief Support is a Christian based bereavement outreach and resource center located in Northville. Age appropriate groups for widows and widowers are provided in various locations in southeastern Michigan including groups for young widows and widowers and their children between the ages of 4 through the teen years. Groups for parents who have lost a child, adults who have lost a parent, pet loss and other specialized groups are offered at various times of the year. All services for adults and children are offered at no cost to the participants. If you are grieving or know someone who is, please call the office at (248) 348-0115 for further information about services provided by New Hope Center for Grief Support or visit www.newhopecenter.net.

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**Rotary A M**  
The Plymouth Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M. meets at 7 a.m. every Tuesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center 525 Farmer. New members are always welcome. Contact Mark Hammar, president, Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M. by calling (734) 455-6620.

**Canton Newcomers**  
The Canton Newcomers meet the first Wednesday of each month (September-May) for an adult evening of socializing, a speaker or an activity. Additionally, the group hosts more than 20 events during the month including Book Club, Bunko, Playgroups, Creative Kids, Ladies Day and Night Out, Scrapbooking, Walking and many more. Request a complimentary newsletter at cantonnewcomers.org or call Jennifer at (734) 981-1715. You don't have to be new to be a Newcomer!

**Kiwanis Club**  
The Plymouth Canton Kiwanis Club meets every Tuesday at 7:15 a.m. at the Plymouth Cultural Center on Farmer Street. The club invites you to their morning meetings to discuss community projects and activities. Be part of the solution and not just a spectator. For more information call (734) 981-0460 or see the Web site (www.pckiwans.org).

**Plymouth Newcomers**  
Plymouth Newcomers & Neighbors playgroups for children ages 0-5 meet several times during the week at member homes and occasional special events. Come meet new parents while your kids meet their own new friends! For details contact Janet Keller at (734) 451-1840 or robert\_plusjanet@aol.com.

**Fibromyalgia/Chronic Fatigue**  
The Great Lakes Fibromyalgia and Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Association will meet 1-3 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month at Merriman Road Baptist Church on Merriman south of Ford. There will be a guest speaker at each meeting and a variety of topics will be covered. There is no membership fee but a small donation will be

accepted. For information call Lucy Rowley 734-462-1768.

**MOPS meet**  
MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) meets twice monthly from September-May for moms and their children, newborn kindergarten at Lakepointe Bible Church in Plymouth. For more information call Crystal Johnson (734) 459-1861.

**Mosaic**  
MOSAIC is a group where Moms come together to be refreshed and equipped for the important task of mothering. It presents speakers on child and family issues, has small group discussion time, crafts and brunch. Child care is provided. It meets at Plymouth Baptist Church 42021 Ann Arbor Trail on the first and third Tuesday mornings of each month, September to May. Contact Resha at (734) 207-0658 or resha@juno.com.

**Moms Club**  
Moms Club of Livonia S/Plymouth Canton and Westland offers a variety of activities for stay at home moms and their children. For more details call Birtha at (734) 458-8143 or Kimberly at (248) 231-6120.

**DAR**  
The Sarah Ann Cochrane Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution meets the third Monday of each month except January, July and August. A group with ancestors who fought in the American Revolution. Members participate in community work involving veterans, hospitals, schools and community service. Call (734) 420-2775 for further information.

**German/American Club of Plymouth**  
Meets on the third Thursday of the month at the Knights of Columbus Hall located at 39100 Schoolcraft Road Plymouth. Call Mary Ann at (734) 420-0857 for further information.

**American Legion**  
Beasley Zalesny Post 112 meets at the 100 F. Hall on the third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. All veterans that served during any of the wars are eligible. Contact (734) 459-7324 for further information.

The Plymouth American Legion Passage Gayde Post #391 conducts its monthly meeting the second Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Plymouth Knights of Columbus Hall on Mill (next to the railroad tracks) in Plymouth Township. All interested military veterans should contact Commander Mike O'Malley (734) 459-7890 for more information.

**Women's Farm and Garden Club-Plymouth**  
Meets every second Monday of each month from September through June. Persons interested in joining may contact club president Linda Coughlin at (734) 459-7478.

**Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club**  
Looking for energetic new members to participate in community service projects. This club meets the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Plymouth Salvation Army Building on Main Street. The third Thursday is a dinner meeting with a speaker. Call (734) 981-7259 for further information.

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**HEART**

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ety - blue-collar workers, doctors, attorneys and models - ranging from their 20s to 80s

They'll find matches for anyone, but there's one condition: Clients have to be looking for a committed relationship. A couple they helped recently may get engaged on Valentine's Day and the matchmakers are hoping the answer is yes.

"We're not about casual relationships," Deborah said. "You can go on the Internet for that. We want to help people who are looking for love. We want to eliminate those serial daters."

For the first year the clients have Irene and Deborah's undying attention. They make suggestions for dates, take them shopping for new clothes, help them pick out birthday gifts and just lend an ear.

And since dating can be intimidating, they set up dinners and other social events to break the ice.

Many of our clients just got divorced and haven't dated in a long time," Deborah said. "We're kind of like their coaches. They become like family to us. The worst thing that can happen is they end up with some new friends."

Joe, a Farmington Hills oral surgeon (whose last name we're withholding) is one of those clients who'd recently been divorced and wasn't really looking to date. When he moved into an apartment, his name ended up on a list of new tenants, from which it was plucked by the Slobins.

Irene Slobin got Joe on the phone, and he couldn't get off.

"At the time, I was opening a new practice, I was really busy, I have two teenagers," said Joe, who has dental practices in Sterling Heights and Livonia. "I really wasn't looking to date, and I told her so. I didn't want to be rude, but I didn't want to waste her time."

Irene Slobin kept Joe on the phone, talking about himself, for about an hour. At the end of the conversation, she'd talked him into having dinner with her and Deborah.

I thought, "what the heck, I don't have anything to lose," Joe recalled. I met

them for dinner, and we just talked and they seemed very genuine."

Likewise, Kim (whose last name we're also withholding at her request), a Canton resident, found the Slobins to be genuine. Irene had left a message on Kim's mother's answering machine, and Kim's mom encouraged Kim to return the call.

Kim blew it off for a couple of months before making the call, then agreed to meet Irene and Deborah, whose service she found to be unique. Kim said the Slobins do what they say they're going to do, going so far as to baby-sit Kim's children so she could go on a date.

"Their key thing is it's like nothing close to any other service out there," she said. "They're really genuine, good people. I've never seen anything like it. Irene is like a Yenta or something."

Matchmaking isn't new for Irene. She made her first match at age 13.

"My friend and I decided that my sister and her cousin looked good together, so we set them up," Irene said. "I got a brother-in-law and two beautiful nephews out of it."

Since then, there have been about 400 marriages and 1,000 children born from her matches.

Irene said only 10 of those couples later divorced.

The oldest client to get married was 85. And she recently attended the wedding of a client who got married for the first time at age 65.

"You can find love at any age," Deborah said.

Sometimes you need help finding it.

The help worked for Joe and Kim. After several dates that didn't click, the couple went out on one that did. Now, there may be wedding bells in the future.

I'm pretty sure we both feel the same way, that we're compatible with each other, and we've fallen in love with each other," Joe said of their new love. "We'll probably get married. I'm not sure when, but I know I have no interest in dating someone else. It's working out great, and I'm very thankful."

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Patrick Maher and sons Owen 10, Emery 8, Aaron, 6 and Ian 4 enjoy St. Michael's Ushers Club Family Pancake Breakfasts while mom, Julie (not pictured), refills everyone's juice.

## Ushers club expands pancake breakfasts

The Ushers Club of St. Michael's Archangel Parish in Livonia has long been a vibrant and dynamic part of community life in Livonia's first and oldest parish. Composed of about 60 men, the club has grown steadily over the years and sponsors a number of successful on-going projects that benefit the church and school including their All-You-Can-Eat Family Pancake Breakfast.

In honor of the parish's 75th anniversary celebration, the group decided to expand the pancake breakfast from four times per year to once a month on the third Sunday. They also opted to expand their menu into a full breakfast buffet featuring not only pancakes, but scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, hash browns, juice, milk, coffee, and tea. They also extended their serving hours from 8:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. to accommodate even greater numbers of parishioners and

hungry passers by. According to current Usher's Club president Jim Majk, the group is serving an average of nearly 400 breakfasts per month. The event is geared to families and offers reasonable pricing of \$5 per person, \$3 for children under age 12, and \$15 per family regardless of number or appetite size. This is such a great group of guys to work with," said Jim Majk. The breakfast project started in the early

1970s and has been overseen most of that time by our current chairman, Tom Boyer. Boyer, Doug Wohlberg and Floyd Virant were instrumental in starting the breakfasts more than 30 years ago and continue to be active parish members today. The breakfasts are open to all. Everyone is more than welcome to stop by St. Michael's School cafeteria on Hubbard, south of Plymouth road on the third Sunday of each month.

## Workshop offers advice on wedding planning

A Wedding Workshop has been designed so couples to be can enjoy a stress-free wedding by spending only 90 minutes now at a roundtable with planning experts.

The workshop arranged like speed dating or musical chairs begins at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22 in the Meeting House Grand Ballroom, 499 S. Main, south of Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. The workshop is free to those who make reservations in advance by calling (734) 416-5100. Tickets at the door will be \$10. Light

hors d'oeuvres and refreshments will be provided.

Seating is limited. For more information, visit [www.mhgb.com](http://www.mhgb.com).

We are very excited about an entirely new concept in wedding planning called the wedding workshop. It is designed around the concept of speed dating only this interaction is between brides and grooms and wedding professionals," said Randy Lorenz. Every 10 minutes brides and grooms will move from one expert to the next. Along the way our experts will reveal pearls of

wisdom gained through years of experience in the wedding business."

The panel includes experts on photography, flower, D.J., videography, wedding cakes, reception facilities, honeymoon travel, bridal accessories, chair covers, and engraving.

The consultants not only offer tips on how to better plan and prepare for the wedding but also give advice on how to save money and reduce expenses.

As an added bonus, each couple will receive a free engagement photo from Rawlson Photography.

### @ THE LIBRARY

Every week the Plymouth District Library staff provides the library's list of best-sellers based on the number of requests for titles by library patrons. The books are available by placing a request with the library at (734) 453-0750 or on-line at [plymouthlibrary.org](http://plymouthlibrary.org).

**FICTION**

- 1 "Plum Lovin'" Janet Evanovich
- 2 "For One More Day," Mitch Albom
- 3 "Cross," James Patterson
- 4 "The Hunters," W.E.B. Griffin
- 5 "The Castle in the Forest," Norman Mailer

**NON-FICTION**

- 1 "The Audacity of Hope," Barack Obama
- 2 "Palestine Peace Not Apartheid," Jimmy

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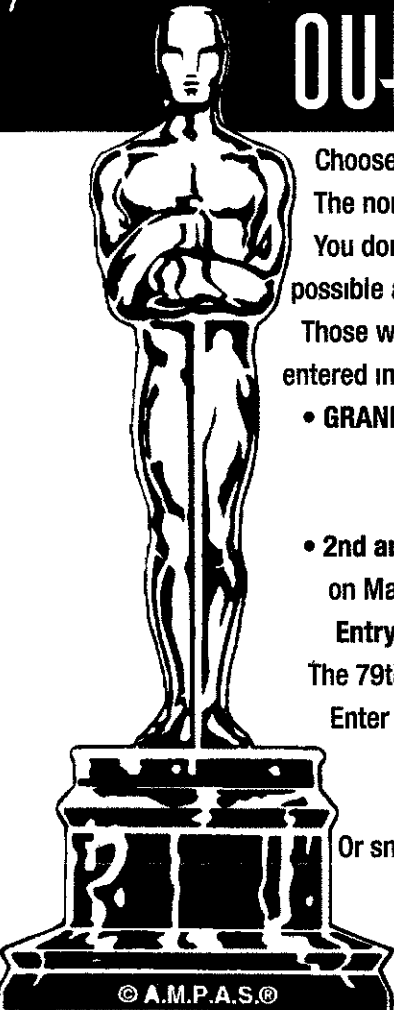
- 3 "The Innocent Man," John Grisham
- 4 "Marley & Me," John Grogan
- 5 "What a Party!" Terry McAuliffe with Steve Kettmann

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**NEW CHILDREN'S PICTURE BOOKS**

- 1 "Pancakes for Supper," Anne Isaacs
- 2 "Something About Hensley's," Patricia Polacco
- 3 "Tool Box Twins," Lola Schaefer
- 4 "When Owens Mom Breathed Fire," Pija Lindenbaum
- 5 "Wheres My Darling Daughter," Mij Kelly

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PURE ENTERTAINMENT

# Valentine tea, tic-tac-toe create memories

BY DONNA KENSKE

As a fifty something Grandmother there are so many times I wish my daughters were still small children. I was one of those crazy mothers who became thrilled when there was a snow day. After all, just think of all the projects we could do together as I was fortunate enough to be able to work from home when our daughters were small. I watch my daughter Angela trying to juggle her time between being a wife, mother of three beautiful children - Anthony, 7, Emily, 6, and 4-year-old Olivia Rose - and working at Oakwood Hospital as an ER ward secretary. My grandchildren have been brought up with real tea parties consisting of hot tea, sandwiches and a sweet. We use the china tea set I bought for Emily's second birthday. This tradition has become one that I hope they will remember for many years to come. You see, the inner child in me still wants to play. While I was looking through a Holiday magazine my eyes locked onto one page. There it was. The perfect project to do with the kids - an edible tic-tac-toe board! I quickly thought of the next holiday, Valentines Day - perfect. My mind swirled with ideas, how would I set the table, what to serve and of course the invitations, this was going to be such fun. Each child received his or her own invitation to the party including an R S V P



From left Meghan Earles, 6, and Emily McGriff, 6, decorate cookies as part of the Valentine party held by Donna Kenske for her grandchildren and their friends

Grandma, along with my phone number (it's never too early to learn the basics). I also included two neighbor children Meghan, 6, and Conner, 4, to add to the fun. With each response call I got more and more excited. This was going to be great! I became giddy with anticipation of the upcoming party. Visions of sugar cookie tic-tac-toe boards danced in my head. I found a small heart shaped cookie cutter and a small letter X cookie cutter, just the right size. I enlisted the help of my daughter Kimberly to make the cookies. Her decorated sugar cookies put Martha Stewart to shame.

Thoughts of my grandson Anthony when he was only 3 years old kept coming into my mind. Whenever he came over and saw that I was working on a craft project without him he would say "Grandma, why didn't you call me? You know I love Arts and Crafts!" OK, back to the story. The children arrived to see the wire pink and lavender hearts coming down in spirals from the ceiling fan. A pink tablecloth adorned the table with pink and lavender hearts on the paper plates, along with red napkins of course. They dined on heart shaped sandwiches, fresh vegetables (placed on clear plates with white heart shaped doilies), small red bowls at each place setting with ranch dip (to avoid double dipping) and a punch bowl with Hawaiian Punch, 7-Up, a few scoops of Sherbet and lots of red heart shaped ice cubes, made from the Hawaiian Punch, made the

perfect drink. For dessert heart shaped brownies and peppermint ice cream.

After lunch we cleared the table and I brought out the small cookies, red, white and pink royal icing that were in individual squeeze bottles and tiny little edible hearts and red jummies. I demonstrated how to squeeze the icing onto the cookie and dip it into the red sprinkles. That's all it took for them to eagerly start their decorating. I watched with amazement at the sharing, each one choosing different colors and styles. Some decorated the entire cookie while others chose to outline the cookie before dipping them.

Next I "glued" the large sugar cookie (6-inches x 6-inches) to a red foiled cardboard, which would become the game board. Starting with the youngest child first, I made a single horizontal line onto the cookie and instructed them to place M & Ms onto the icing.

By the second line they begged to know what they were making, but I didn't cave in. Then I made two vertical lines in the center. "It's the letter H right? That's what we're making," with a quick response of "an H only has one line in it." "I know, I know, it's a ladder, that's it right?" Suddenly it hit me. As I looked around the table I saw five fantastic young minds working independently and yet together trying to solve the mystery of our project. Sweet innocence. They are our future. Maybe one day they may think back and remember all of the fun we had at that Valentine Luncheon in 2007. I know I will carry this memory forever.

Donna Kenske lives in Canton

# Bowling benefit to raise money for 3-day breast cancer walk

Mary Probelksi of Livonia, will be holding a fund-raiser 2-5 p.m. Saturday, April 14, at Merri-Bowl Lanes, 30950 Five Mile, Livonia, to raise money for the Michigan Breast Cancer 3-Day.

Probelksi is joining thousands of other dedicated women and men for the Michigan Breast Cancer 3-Day 60-mile walk benefiting Susan G. Komen for the Cure and the National Philanthropic Trust Breast Cancer Fund. In order to participate, each walker must train for the event and commit to raising a minimum of \$2,200.

"Many walkers raise more than the minimum. In fact, event organizers report the

average amount raised is \$2,900," said Mary Probelksi. "With this fund-raiser, I hope to exceed my fund-raising goal. I know with Komen for the Cure and the National Philanthropic Trust as beneficiaries, I'm helping to ensure funding is available for important research and community outreach programs."

Cost is \$20 and includes three games of bowling (9 pin/No Tap), shoes, pizza, drinks and prizes. Guests can also participate in 50/50 and Men's and Women's High Game. For information, call (248) 933-9970.

Breast Cancer merchandise will also be sold by The Cancer Angel Network.

# Seminars offer free career planning advice

Henry Ford Community College's University Transfer, Advising and Career Counseling Center will host free 50-minute seminars designed to address key issues for successful career planning.

The Career Planning Seminars will be held from 9:10 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 19, 1:10 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 20, 10:10 a.m. and 4:10 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21, and 9:40 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, in Room 121 of the Learning Resources Center on the main campus at 5101 Evergreen, Dearborn.

During the seminars, HFCC counselors will discuss strategies for developing a sound career path, including choosing

a major, exploring duties and responsibilities related to specific careers, matching areas of personal interest and skills to existing careers, examining local and national employment trends as well as evaluating potential income and education requirements for specific career choices.

No advance reservation is required. The seminars are open to the public and HFCC students are encouraged to attend.

For more information, contact HFCC counselor Jerry Olszewski at (313) 845-9752 or send e-mail to jerry@hfcc.edu. For more information about HFCC, visit www.hfcc.edu or call (800) 585-HFCC (4322).

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There will be a pre-bid meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 13, 2007 at the Pioneer Middle School project trailer, located at 48081 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170. The purpose of the meeting will be to review the bidding requirements, schedule project scopes of work and to answer any question that bidders may have. Bidders are strongly encouraged to attend.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Bid Security in the amount of five (5) percent of the amount of the bid payable to the Plymouth Canton Community Schools as a guarantee that if the proposal is accepted the bidder will execute the contract and file the required bonds within ten (10) days after notice of award of contract. Bid securities may be in the form of a Bid Bond or Certified Check.

Bids are to be submitted in a sealed envelope supplied by the Construction Manager McCarthy & Smith Inc with the corresponding bid division identified on the outside of the envelope. All submissions should include 1 original and 1 copy and the Proposal Execution Form provides a space for the bidder to disclose any familial relationship as required by the State of Michigan and this form must be signed and notarized in order for the bid to be accepted. Bids are due to the PCCS E J McClendon Educational Center on or before 1:00 p.m., Wednesday February 28, 2007 where they will be opened and read publicly. These projects are to be bid and the work performed at the Prevailing Wage Rates. For additional information phone Dan Phillips Assistant Director of Finance & Purchasing at (734) 416 2746. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

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The Plymouth District Library will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tape of printed materials being considered at the meeting to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon seven (7) days notice to the Plymouth District Library. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Plymouth District Library by writing or calling the following:

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**Babcock-Schweer**

Tracy and Dorothy Babcock of Livonia announce the engagement of their son, Jacob Spence, to Kendra Annette Swever of Bolivar, Missouri

The prospective groom is a graduate of Livonia Churchill High School, as well as the University of Michigan-Dearborn. He is currently employed by Power Brte of Michigan

His fiance is the daughter of Kenneth and Margaret Schweer of Bolivar, Missouri. She is a 1990 graduate from Bolivar High School and also from Southwest Baptist University

A June 2007 wedding is planned at Weller s in Sahne, Mi

They will honeymoon in Savannah, Ga



As space permits the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers print without charge announcements of class reunions. Send the information to Reunions Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Livonia MI 48170. Please include the date of the reunion, one contact person and a telephone number

**Bishop Borgess Class of 1987**

A 20 year reunion Sept 15 2007 at the Livonia Marriott. Contact: borgess87@hotmail.com for more information

## CLASS REUNIONS

**Garden City High School Class of 1987**

Searching for all class of 87 Alumni for a 20 year reunion. Need to find current information on alumni (name, address, phone, email, etc.) Contact: GCHSClassof87reunion@comcast.net or call Sheryll (Pietryka) Catton at (734) 367 0898

**Ladywood High School Class of 1967**

A 40 year reunion in planned for June 9 10 2007. Headquarters at Courtyard by Marriott, Laurel Park Livonia. Call Liz at (248)681 7768 or email

LHS67@comcast.net for further information

**Livonia Church Hill****Classes of 1971-2007**

Alumni Summer Bash 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday June 16 Nankin Mills Park. Ann Arbor Trail and Hines Drive. No fees but accepting donations. All proceeds over and above costs are being donated to the Western Wayne Skill Center. For more information call Chris (Don) Nicholson at (734)658 5296 or Chris@ChurchHillAlumni.com or Gayle Napolitano Nicholson at (734)728 0393 or Gayle@ChurchHillAlumni.com

## ANNIVERSARY

**Stinebaughs celebrate 50th anniversary**

Chuck and Barbara Stinebaugh of Plymouth are celebrating 50 years of marriage

They were married Jan 19, 1957, at St. Paul's Methodist Church in Tiffin, Ohio

Chuck and Barbara moved to Michigan in 1963 where Chuck worked for Ford Motor Co. for 34 years. In addition to raising a family, Barb had a 25 year career with NBD (Chase)

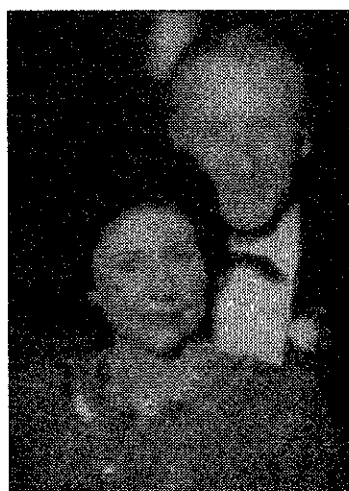
They are actively involved, and have been members of the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth since 1966

The Stinebaughs have three children: Karen (Brian) Stemberger, Steven (Carmen)



Stinebaugh and Scott Stinebaugh, and six grandchildren

The Stinebaughs are enjoying the fruits of retirement. They enjoy being with their grandchildren, walks together,



family gatherings, antique hunting, gardening, car shows and traveling

They celebrated this golden occasion with their family at No. 6 Chop House in Novi

## WEDDING

**Bouren-Carbott**

Matthew Bouren of Lake Orion and Jennifer Carbott of Livonia were married Nov 11, 2006, at St. James Catholic Church in Ferndale with the Rev. Charles Fox officiating

The bride is the daughter of David and Bridget Carbott of Livonia. She is a 1997 graduate of Ladywood High School and a 2002 graduate of Michigan State University. She is employed as a chemical dietitian at Children's Hospital in Detroit

The groom is the son of Al and Pam Bouren of Oxford. He is a 1995 graduate of Lake Orion High School and a 1999

graduate of Saginaw Valley State University. He is employed at MJB Roofing, a family-owned and operated business

The bride was attended by Natalie Merkle, maid of honor, Jessica Munger, maid of honor, Renee Thompson, Katie Pittel, Zoe Stavridis, Molly O'Connell, Shelly Bouren, bridesmaids, Megan Bouren, flower girl, and Miranda Bouren, flower girl

The groom was attended by Mike Bouren, best man, Chad Warren, best man, Michael Carbott, Steve Larned, Stefan Crane, Jeremy Michael, Mark Becker, groomsmen, and, Jake



Bouren, ring bearer. A reception was held at the San Marino Club in Troy

## How to submit announcements to the Observer

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There is no charge to submit an announcement. To obtain a copy of our forms for engagements, weddings, anniversaries and births email Hugh Gallagher at hgallagher@hometownlife.com

Or send the following information to Hugh Gallagher, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia MI 48150

For engagement announcements, include:  
 ■ Names, addresses and cities for the bride, groom and both sets of parents  
 ■ Where bride and groom attended (or attend) high school and college and years graduated

■ Where bride and groom are employed  
 ■ Wedding date  
 ■ Wedding location  
 ■ Daytime phone number and e-mail address in case we have any questions

For wedding announcements, include:  
 ■ All of the above, plus  
 ■ Clergy's name  
 ■ Names and cities of all attendants  
 ■ Reception location  
 ■ Honeymoon location  
 ■ City where couple will reside

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## BIRTHS

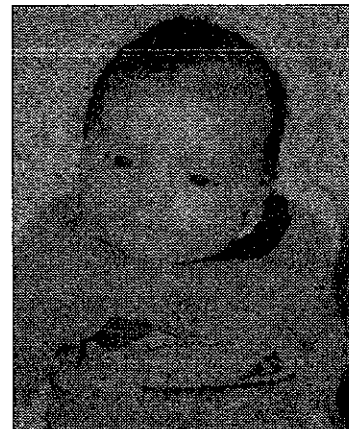
**Nathan James Sharpe**

Jason and Lupe Sharpe of Livonia announce the birth of their son, Nathan James, on Dec 23, 2006

He was born at Providence Hospital in Southfield. He weighed 8 pounds, 9 ounces at birth

Nathan has a big brother, Andrew Butler, 12

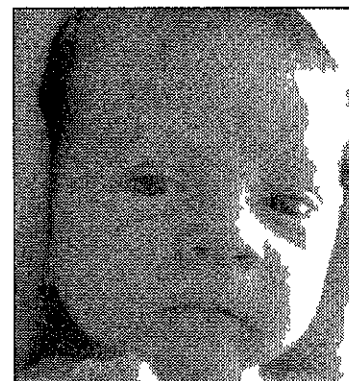
His grandparents are Sandra Blake of Brighton and Karl and Terri Sharpe of Livonia

**Aidan Jesse Biewer**

Jeremy and Jessica (Potas) Biewer announce the birth of their son, Aidan Jesse Biewer, on Dec 27, 2006 at Advocate Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge, Illinois. Aidan weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long at birth

Jessica is a graduate of Clarenceville High School and Western Michigan University. Jeremy graduated from the University of Illinois

Aidan's grandparents are Felix and Judith Potas of Livonia and Edythe Biewer of



Morton Grove, Illinois. Great grandparents are Mary Potas of Southfield and Ruth W. Klein of Glenview,

## SINGLES

**MISC. SINGLES****Moon-dusters**

Ballroom Dancing to a live band every Saturday 8:30-11 p.m. at the Livonia Civic Center 15218 Farmington Road Livonia. Admission: guest/\$6, associates/\$5, 50 members/\$5. Dress: Ladies date style, clothes, gentlemen jackets and ties. For more information call Joe Castrodale (248) 968 5197

Holiday dance, 7:10-10 p.m. Sunday Dec 10, Roma Banquet Hall 32550 Cherry Hill Road, Garden City. Doors open at 5 p.m. dinner at 5:45 p.m. Formal attire recommended but Sunday best will do. Tickets \$26 members and associates \$29 guests. For information or reservations call Joe Castrodale (248)968 5197

**BETHANY SUBURBAN WEST****Breakfast meeting**

Saturday Feb 17 at Leon's Family Dining 30149 Ford Road, south side in Garden

City. All separated, divorced and singles welcome. For details call Kathy M. at (734)513 9479

**Annual Mass for Divorced and Separated**  
 2 p.m. Sunday Feb 25 at St. Linus Church 6466 Evangeline Dearborn Heights. Light dinner to follow. For details call Michele at (313)996 8644

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Anytime 6:30-9:30 p.m. Meets at the Main Lounge at Drake's Lanes 35000 Grand River Ave. just east of Drake Road in Farmington Hills. Cash bar and reasonable priced dinner is also available off the menu. \$5/members \$6/non members

**THOMAS L. BOYNE**

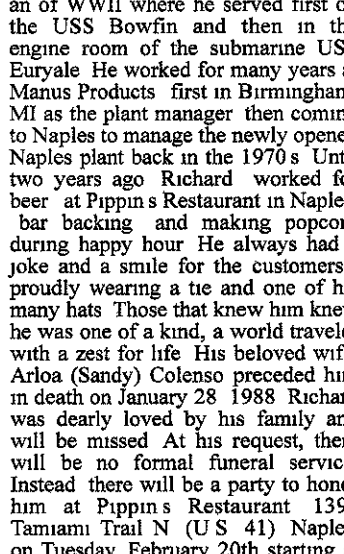
Age 87, October 18, 1919, February 6, 2007. Hinsdale, IL resident formerly of Plymouth, MI. Veteran WWII Marine Corp. beloved husband of Lorraine loving father of Thomas J. (Elaine) Boyne, Ronald A. (Judy) Boyne, Gail A. (Paul) Meeks, Gary A. (Carol) Boyne and Janet M. (David) Doty. Dear grandfather David Karen Taylor, Garrett Morgan Mackenzie and Samantha Memorial Funeral Mass will be held Friday February 9th, 12 noon at Notre Dame Church Chicago Ave and Norfolk Clarendon Hills IL 60514. Private interment will be held prior to memorial mass at Ascension Cemetery Libertyville IL in lieu of flowers. Memorials appreciated to American Cancer Society 1801 S. Meyers Rd. Suite 100 Oakbrook IL 60181. Arrangements by Gibbons Elliston Funeral Home Hinsdale 630 323-0275

**LEONARD RAINFORD CARR**

February 8, 2007, age 92 of Redford Township. Beloved husband of Alice for 63 years. Dear father of Leslie (Brad) Martin, Tom (Carol) & Tim (Carol). Loving grandfather of Sarah, Allison, Melissa, Colleen, Casey, Courtney, Carl & Clare. Great grandfather of Ayanna, Kyle, Isaiah, Xavier & Emerson. Born September 12, 1914 in Hamilton, Ontario. He was a WWII Veteran in the United States Navy. Leonard was a retired Tool & Die Maker. He was an avid golfer and bowler, winning a Gold Medal for bowling in the Senior Olympics.

**RICHARD HAYLE COLENSO**

Age 93 of Naples, FL. Also known as Dirty Dick from Solomon Creek, The Oldest Bar Back in South West Florida and The Popcorn Boy. Died peacefully Tuesday February 6, 2007 at Hospice of Naples. Richard had been a full-time resident of Naples since 1991 and a part-time resident since 1974, spending the other half of the year in Beverly Hills, Michigan. Richard was a proud veteran of WWII where he served first on the USS Bowfin and then in the engine room of the submarine USS Euryale. He worked for many years at Manus Products, first in Birmingham, MI as the plant manager, then coming to Naples to manage the newly opened Naples plant back in the 1970s. Until two years ago, Richard worked for beer at Pippin's Restaurant in Naples, bar backing and making popcorn during happy hour. He always had a joke and a smile for the customers, proudly wearing a tie and one of his many hats. Those that knew him knew he was one of a kind, a world traveler with a zest for life. His beloved wife Arloa (Sandy) Colenso preceded him in death on January 28, 1988. Richard was dearly loved by his family and will be missed. At his request, there will be no formal funeral service. Instead, there will be a party to honor him at Pippin's Restaurant, 1390 Tamiami Trail N (US 41) Naples on Tuesday, February 20th, starting at 6:00 p.m. Come and join us for food, beer, and friendship. Bring your favorite story to share. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in his name to Hospice of Naples, 1095 Whippoorwill Lane, Naples, FL 34105.

**ALLEN MONROE DUNHAM**

Age 92, died January 21, 2007 at home with family. He is survived by his wife, Carmel Ruth and four children, Roselyn, Carl Joyce (Arthur), and Marie. He is also survived by 12 grandchildren and 26 great grandchildren. His life was celebrated February 4, 2007 at a family memorial.

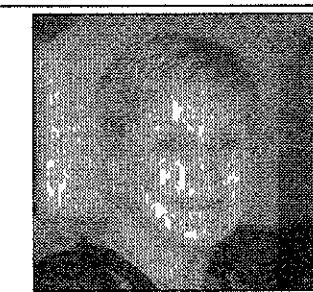
**BLONDENE L. MAYNARD**

Age 85, February 9, 2007 of Commerce Twp. Formerly of Garden City. Beloved wife of the late James Loving mother of Gail (Kenneth) Sher, Sharon (Louis) Wallace, Denethia (Skip) Smith, Pamela (David) Durocher and Jamie (John) Nuzman. Sister of the late Ray Bragg. Also survived by nine grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Funeral Service at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home 15451 Farmington Rd Livonia Monday at 1 p.m. Visitation Sunday from 12-9 p.m. Memorial contributions may be directed to the C.S. Mott Children's Hospital Attn Child and Family Life 301 E Liberty Ann Arbor MI 48104 2251. Please sign the online guestbook at www.rgharris.com

## Messages

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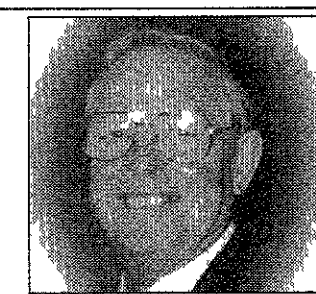
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**MARGARET C. COWLEY "Bunny"**

Age 83 of Farmington formerly of Detroit. Died Feb 6, 2007 at home. Born June 19, 1923 in Yonkers, NY where she resided until moving to Detroit in 1950. She was employed at GM Detroit Diesel from 1951 until retirement in 1980 as an Executive Secretary and Administrative Assistant. She was first female to be named Captain for the Boy Scouts of America membership drive. In 1986 was appointed on the Tax Board of Review for the City of Detroit by Councilman Jack Kelley. Served on the Board for eight years until Jack Kelly retired from the Council in 1993. Also was part-time hostess for the Detroit Red Wings in the Olympia Club. She was a volunteer for the Detroit Grand Prix for six years, which included being a supervisor for Information Systems. A former resident of North Rosedale Park in Detroit, and was a member of the North Rosedale Civic Association, member of the North Rosedale Park Women's Club and the North Rosedale Park Players and Bowlerettes. She was a marvelous entertainer and enjoyed her family and countless friends. Wife of the deceased (1995) William F. Cowley. Mother of Barbara (the deceased Larry) Dowell & Carole (Joel) Layne. Grandmother of Wayne County Sheriff Brian (Carmen) Boyd Colleen (Jason) Brasgalla, Michael & Marty Layne. Great Grandmother of Jordan & Matthew Boyd & Lauren & Ashley Brasgalla. Sister of Thomas Stankey of Indianapolis & the deceased Edward (Eileen) & Robert (deceased) and Dolores Stankey. Also leaves many nieces, nephews & friends. Services were held Saturday at Charles Step Funeral Home 18425 Beech Daly Interment Monday Parkview Memorial Cemetery. Donations to Michigan Humane Society Appreciated.

**EDWARD F. "ED/MIKE" SPRING**

Age 58, February 7, 2007. Passed away at home on Wednesday after a courageous 3 1/2 year battle with cancer. Ed was the beloved husband of Marie for almost 25 years and the loving father of Laura. He is survived by a wonderful and loving family which includes his mother and stepfather, Jane and John Ryba of Cass City, brother Richard (Debbie) Spring, nieces Megan and Katelyn of Manchester and sister Karen (Mike Hadley) Spring of Commerce Twp., nephew Jeremy Kay and niece Jessica Kay. Ed retired from Blue Cross after 37 years in 2005 and went to work at Wright and Filippis - a job he truly loved. Ed was loved and respected by countless friends and colleagues and will be missed for his good humor and always optimistic outlook. The family asks that memorial gifts be made in his name to U of M Comprehensive Cancer Center (Kidney Cancer Research) Funeral Monday 11 AM at THAYER ROCK FUNERAL HOME 33603 Grand River Ave, downtown Farmington (1 blk W of Farmington Rd.) Visitation Sunday 2-8 PM www.thayerrock.com

**ROBERT PETER WAGNER**

Age 86, of St. Petersburg, FL, died January 31, 2007 at the Hospice House Woodside in Pinellas Park, FL. Bob was born in Pittsburgh, PA and moved to Detroit, MI at an early age. He was a graduate of the Henry Ford Trade School while serving in the U.S. Army during World War II. He received the Bronze Star. After a 40-year career as a tool and die maker with the auto industry, Bob and his wife, Mary, were co-founders and benefactors of Community Living Centers in Farmington, MI. He was a member of the Henry Ford Trade School Alumni Association as well as an alumnus of St. Gregory High School. Predeceased by his wife of 57 years, Mary (Watson). He is survived by his three daughters: Beth Campbell (Doug, died 2002), Brewster, Mass., Bonnie Reilly, (Dennis) St. Petersburg and Sue Wagner, San Antonio, Texas. Two sons, Anthony Peter and James Robert (Kathleen) both of Farmington, a brother, Jack (Julie), South Lyon, MI, 11 grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. A memorial Mass was held at The Cathedral of St. Jude in St. Petersburg. Donations can be made to Community Living Centers, 33235 Grand River Farmington, MI 48336 (248) 478 0870

**JAMES W. WEBB**

Age 62 of Prescott formerly of Westland passed away Wednesday at St. Mary's Medical Center in Saginaw. Services will be held 2:00 p.m. Sunday, February 11th at the Sisson Funeral Home in Gladwin. Friends may call at the funeral home on Saturday from 2-8 p.m. Memorials may be made to the family.

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# Take the stairs and aid American Lung Association research

Caleb Mitchell easily climbs the 170-step stairs during his Saturday workouts at Bloomer Park in Rochester Hills.

On Sunday, Feb. 25, he'll add 70 flights to his regimen.

Mitchell is among the teams and individuals that have signed up for the American Lung Association of Michigan's Climb Detroit, a fund-raiser that may tax even the toughest of athletes as they race to the top of the Marriott Detroit at the Renaissance Center, Michigan's tallest building.

"I'm just going to do it. I have friends at work and they're going to join in," said Mitchell, an adventure race athlete who has competed his way across Michigan and Ohio.

Adventure racing entails many different sporting activities, such as road biking, mountain biking, hiking, boat-

ing, canoeing and more. It doesn't generally include climbing stairs in tall urban buildings.

"If you stay active and do 10-15 hours a week and really focus on the core disciplines, you can pretty much do anything," he said, unfazed by the stair challenge. "I did two marathons last week and I'm not a runner by any stretch of the imagination. Just stay active and have realistic goals."

If a 70-story climb seems unrealistic, competitors can opt for a 40-story climb. The cost to participate is \$35, with a fund-raising minimum of \$65 for the full climb and \$45 for the half climb. Those who raise \$100 or more, including the registration fee, will earn a commemorative Climb Detroit shirt.

Climbers also will be award-

ed by age group and fastest time. Team awards will go to the fastest team, highest fund-raising team, most clever team name and most spirited team.

Participants must pre-register by Feb. 20.

Start times will be assigned a week before the event. Registration will start at 7:30 a.m. on climb day, with the first competitors starting at 8:30 a.m.

Jeff Watters, who runs an outdoor exercise session on Saturdays in Rochester, as well as Monday-Friday boot camps in downtown Birmingham, will lead free workout sessions for registered participants before the climb.

Register for the climb by calling the American Lung Association of Michigan office at (248) 784-2026 or visit [www.climbdetroit.org](http://www.climbdetroit.org).



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Caleb Mitchell reaches the top of the 170-step staircase at Bloomer Park in Rochester Hills. Jeff Watters, (left) who runs a 90-minute year-round exercise program at the park, suggested Mitchell and others run the stairs three times. Mitchell of Madison Heights plans to compete in the upcoming American Lung Association stair climb at the Renaissance Center in Detroit.

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## Infection protection

### Kits may reduce incidence of influenza

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

Lynne Appel Downing isn't waiting until the height of flu season to safeguard her family. In late October, she purchased an infection protection kit consisting of 10 masks, seven sanitizing hand wipes and seven sets of synthetic gloves for under \$10 while grocery shopping.

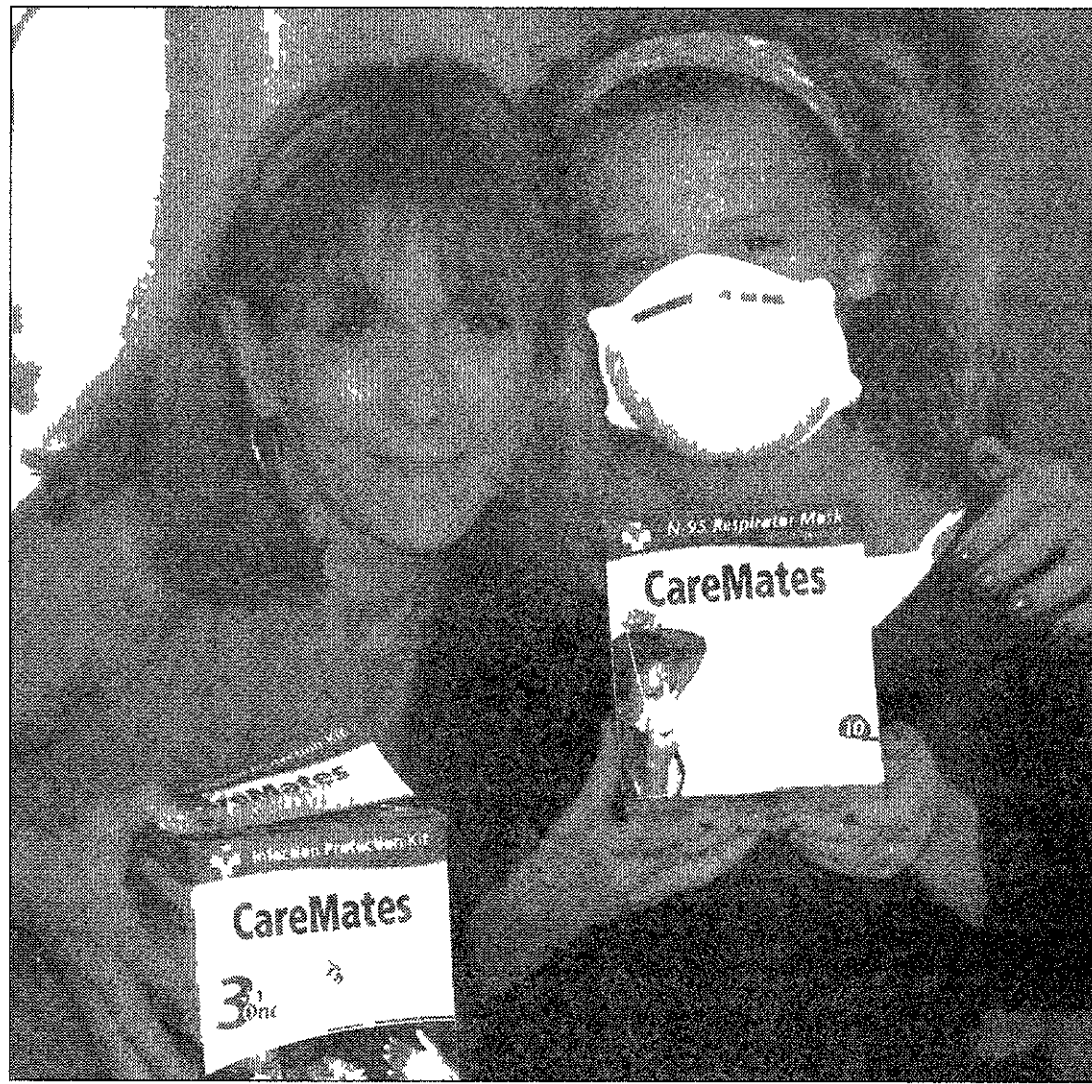
The Birmingham mother of one is doing everything possible to keep her family well especially during influenza season and so far it's working. When daughter Kasey became sick in late December, she and husband, Keith, wore masks around the house so as not to catch the virus. A certified personal trainer and yoga instructor, Appel Downing believes in a healthy body and mind. She takes vitamins and supplements, and is always proactive when it comes to health.

After Kasey carried home six pages of prevention tips for the flu and pandemics from her third-grade classroom at Harlan Elementary, Appel Downing began researching the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Web site (www.cdc.gov) for information on infection protection.

"Just yesterday I was running around the house and heard my daughter hacking," said Appel Downing, 52. "I got our wipes and began wiping everything down. My daughter thinks it's funny so she put on the mask and put one on the dog, but I say better safe than sorry. If one is sick why should three be sick."

#### UNIVERSITY STUDY

Dr. Arnold Monto has no early indication if masks and hand sanitizers in the kits reduce the incidence of influenza but by 2008 the results should be in from a two-year study funded by the CDC to determine the components' effectiveness. In October 2006, 2,000 students living in the close



Lynne Appel Downing and daughter Kasey 8 use infection protection kits in their Birmingham home.

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confines of University of Michigan dormitories were divided into three clusters. One group of participants is wearing masks and using hand sanitizers. The second wears only masks. The third takes neither precaution to prevent influenza.

"The idea came about for national policy reasons," said Monto, professor of epidemiology, University of Michigan School of Public Health. "The CDC would like to have answers about some of these questions for flu and pandemics. In case of

flu we have vaccines and antivirals. In case of a pandemic we won't have vaccines so it's important to know if nonpharmaceutical interventions like closing schools could contain the virus. It's possible kits may help. Some studies of hand sanitizers have shown a reduction in respiratory infections. People wear masks in Asia, but we really have no idea whether regular surgical masks work. We know that the high level masks used in the SARS outbreak worked but were in short supply.

The CDC would like to be prepared in case of a pandemic whether caused by a common influenza strain or H5N1 (avian flu). At this point, the bird flu (H5N1) has not mutated and cannot be transferred from human to human. Barring a virus mutation, a person must be in close contact with an infected bird to acquire H5N1.

Some people actually live in the same building with chickens in Vietnam where cases of H5N1 have been reported. That's why Dana Marra took along a mask when she traveled to Vietnam on business for her adoption agency Adoption Options Worldwide. The Troy woman purchased masks not only to avoid contracting H5N1, but to protect herself from the chemicals she uses to clean her home.

In Vietnam, the mode of transportation is a moped and they wear the masks while driving and walking, said Marra. "I found the masks cut down on being ill. I'm trying to do more preventive, live a healthier lifestyle, eat a healthy diet, exercise. I'm fighting every step of the way, trying to be aware of the environment in general."

#### PLANNING AHEAD

Janet Green purchased a kit after Appel Downing told her the product might help prevent the body aches, muscle soreness, congestion and cough a virus causes.

"We had talked about the flu, especially the bird flu because I live on a lake and we have a lot of birds and swans," said Green, 59, of Bloomfield Hills. "One of the birds hit one of our windows and my husband had to pick it up. After I went and purchased the kit, we're all responsible for our own health. I believe in having a strong immune system. I take vitamins, work out with a personal trainer. Prevention is the best medicine and being aware of your surroundings. My mom is 85 and we're always running around and using bathrooms when we do our shopping. We both use the wipes. When I go into a bathroom I use the sleeve of my coat to open the door and I always wash my hands."

Hand washing is one of the most important ways to prevent the spread of infections, says Dr. Roger Ajlun Jr., a Beaumont physician who treats patients in a Livonia office. Ajlun's first suggestion is to vaccinate against the illness. Neither Appel Downing, Green or Marra received flu shots. Ajlun has noticed a resistance by some of his internal medicine patients to the vaccine because of a fear of side effects. Ajlun estimates only about 5 percent of those receiving the vaccine suffer from mild flu-like symptoms that last eight to 24 hours.

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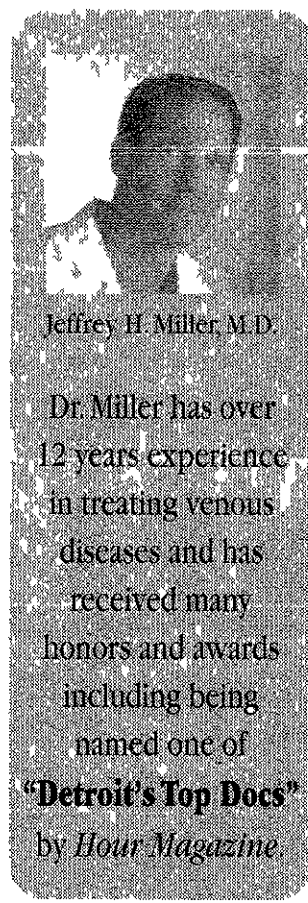
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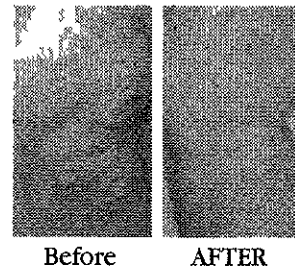


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## Too much cardio can be harmful

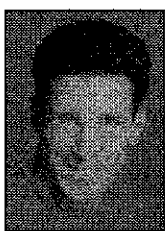
Jim from Canton e-mails asking for the pluses and minuses of a cardio workout.

Jim, there is no doubt that a good cardio workout is a cornerstone of an effective weight loss program. But, if you are trying to build muscles, don't overdo it!

One of the main culprits in muscle loss can be over-dieting. It suppresses hormones like thyroid and testosterone. But overdoing cardio workouts can be even more damaging than over-dieting when it comes to hormone suppression! If you do too much cardio, you are essentially lowering hormone levels that allow you to build muscle and burn fat. That is why too much cardio can be a dead end, causing dramatic loss of muscle mass! A good rule of thumb is to try to get in four 45-minute cardio sessions a week. If you go over that your muscle building goals might be compromised.

**Jill from Warren e-mails and is looking for a new aerobic exercise to improve her workout routine.**

Jill, you might want to kickbox your way to better health! A non-contact kickboxing routine is sufficient to improve physical



**Peter's Principles**

Peter Nielsen

and cardiovascular fitness. A recent study looked at a group of women weighing an average of 135 pounds. It utilized four kickboxing routines: Upper body jabs, lower body kicks, a combination of jabs and kicks, plus a conditioning routine. That routine consisted of jumping jacks and simulated rope jumping. Participants burned the most calories performing a combination of kicks and jabs. Calories were burned at a rate of 6.5 to 8 calories per minute, totaling 450 calories an hour! That is the equivalent to an hour of jogging.

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

## FLU KITS

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vaccine or are taking non-pharmaceutical preventive measures, it appears to be a mild influenza season so far. Beaumont Hospital has recorded only 140 confirmed cases of Influenza (A and B) since November. Flu cases usually don't peak until February and March, however.

"The masks certainly don't hurt, but whether they're necessary it's questionable," said Ajluni, of Bloomfield Hills. "Someone with a compromised immune system and taking care of someone with the flu, it's important they don't sneeze on you. A child might not be able to do that. If you aren't immune compromised you might not need the gloves or mask."

Like Appel Downing, Marra

and Green, Ajluni believes in eating healthy, exercising and not smoking to keep the immune system strong. So far neither his wife or 6- and 8-year-old children have had the flu. All of them received the influenza vaccine.

### STAYING WELL

"The vaccine is recommended on a community wide basis (for public health)," said Ajluni. "It takes a couple of weeks to go into effect. It's kind of a gradual effectiveness. It's never 100 percent too late although it's ideal to get it in early to mid-fall to be best covered."

"If you're already sick, cover the mouth when coughing, sneezing. If there's someone in the house with flu you can take an anti-flu or virus medication."

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## Give chocolate this Valentine's Day

With Valentine's Day around the corner, the thought of romance is in the air. One way of expressing your feelings is with chocolate. Let's face it, people of all ages love chocolate. They love it as a way of celebrating special occasions and expressing those romantic feelings all year long.

In the past few years, scientific studies have also looked at ways chocolate can improve health. Can something that tastes so good be good for you? Denise Holmes, R.D., a nutrition and diabetes educator at Botsford Hospital says, "Dark chocolate and cocoa powder provide flavonoids that have heart healthy properties and may improve cholesterol levels. It has also been shown to improve people's mood by boosting the brain chemistry that makes you feel good."

Chocolate's reputation as an aphrodisiac originated in South America over 1,500 years ago when it was thought to have mystical and aphrodisiac qualities by both the Mayan and Aztec cultures. Legend says that Aztec emperor, Montezuma, drank 50 cups of chocolate a day to enhance his appeal to women. Holmes says, "In most recent years, doctors and nutrition experts have only begun to realize the possible health benefits of chocolate. Eating chocolate triggers a similar reaction that occurs naturally in our bodies when we are happy, in love, feeling passionate or even lustful."

Chocolate contains stearic acid, a saturated fat that has a neutral effect on cholesterol unlike many other sat-

urated fats that raise LDL cholesterol (bad cholesterol).

Holmes suggests indulging in more expensive chocolates which provide a richer flavor and a smooth delight to your taste buds, and the price may curb your indulgence.

Moderation is key. Work with a registered dietitian to set up an individualized plan to incorporate chocolate into a balanced and healthy diet.

Share it with someone you love and enjoy! Botsford Hospital's new medical model fitness center, The Botsford Center for Health Improvement will be distributing chocolate covered strawberries to 'treat your sweetheart' for all members during Member Appreciation Day on Feb. 14. For more information, visit [www.botsford.org](http://www.botsford.org).

## Seniors need to take care in cold weather

When winter temperatures drop below normal staying warm and safe is a challenge, especially for the elderly. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and Comfort Keepers have provided guidelines for those still living independently. By preparing a senior's home for the winter months and taking the necessary safety precautions, the risk of weather-related accidents and health problems can be reduced.

Anyone with an elderly family member or friend should create a plan in advance in case an emergency arises. It is recommended that elderly persons who are unable to take care of themselves or prepare for extreme cold-weather conditions, stay with family members, go to available shelter facilities or call a company that provides in-home services for seniors in these situations.

Stay in touch with neighbors and have a Buddy Plan in place or arrange for someone to check in on you particularly if you live alone, and specifically during extreme weather conditions.

If you must use a space heater, do not place it within three feet of anything that may catch on fire such as drapes, furniture or bedding, and never cover your space heater.

In addition to being a fire hazard, space heaters may also increase the risk of carbon monoxide poisoning. Considering all of the potential dangers of using space heaters, consider alternative solutions if at all possible.

Consistently check the temperature inside the home. Older adults often make less body heat because of a slower metabolism and less physical activity. When a senior is over age 65, it is important to check home temperatures often and set them to feel comfortable, especially during severely cold weather.

Eat nutritiously and stock food that can be prepared without electricity in case of a power outage.

Eating well-balanced meals will help seniors stay warmer. Do not drink alcohol or caffeine which causes body temperatures to drop more rapidly (regardless of age). Have nutritious, canned goods and non-perishable foods on hand (tuna, etc) in case the power fails, and don't forget to have a manually-operated can opener.

Keep an emergency supply of water stored in clean containers or purchase bottled water (allow one gallon a day per person) in case water pipes freeze and/or rupture.

If you have pets make sure you have a back up food and water supply for them in case you run out or can't get out.

If you require prescription medications, have a small reserve in case you run out. Remember three summers ago when Michigan and parts of the Midwest were hit with a total power outage that literally shut down everything. Along with back-up medications, it's always a smart idea to have a list of all medications, dosages and names of your physicians readily available in the event you need emergency medical assistance.

If you must go outdoors, make sure the outer layer of clothing is tightly worn and preferably wind resistant to reduce body-heat loss caused by wind. Using wool, silk or poly-propylene as the inner layers of clothing will hold more body heat than cotton. And remember dressing in layers maximizes warmth.

Don't shovel snow. This type of physical exertion is dangerous for anyone especially in extreme weather, but the elderly simply should not attempt it for any reason.

For more information about Comfort Keepers and their locations in Rochester Hills and Plymouth, visit [www.comfortkeepers.com](http://www.comfortkeepers.com).

## Camp designed for kids with Crohn's, colitis

The Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America, Michigan Chapter (CCFA) will host its sixth annual Camp Oasis July 15-21 at a new location, Camp Copneomic in Fenton. The camp provides children ages seven to 17 who have Crohn's disease or ulcerative colitis with an opportunity to enjoy a traditional camping experience in a setting specially suited for their needs. This year's camp will last an extra day.

At Camp Oasis, campers will enjoy a wide range of activities, including music and theater, swimming, aqua jump, canoeing and kayaking, archery and sports, arts and crafts, games, nature discovery, and team challenge courses. Built with the highest of safety standards, these challenging and shared experiences develop the strongest of friendships.

The Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America is a non-profit, voluntary health organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for persons with Crohn's disease or ulcerative colitis. Known collectively as inflammatory bowel diseases (IBD), these chronic digestive disorders affect as many as one million Americans.

Registration forms for campers ages seven to 17 and for volunteer counselors are now available online at [michigan.ccfca.org](http://michigan.ccfca.org). For more information, or to have application information mailed, send e-mail to [michigan@ccfa.org](mailto:michigan@ccfa.org) or call (248) 737-0900.

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## MEDICAL DATEBOOK

The Red Cross is appealing to all individuals to donate blood and is particularly interested in Type O negative blood, the universal blood donor type since it can be transfused to anyone in cases of emergencies. Anyone at least 17 years of age weighing 110 pounds or more and in good health may be eligible to donate blood. Log on to [www.givelife.org](http://www.givelife.org) and enter suburban for the sponsor code to make an appointment.

**Go red luncheon**  
Go Red for Women Luncheon Feb. 15 at the Marriott Renaissance Center to raise funds for education and research. For more information call (248) 827-4214 or visit [www.americanheart.org](http://www.americanheart.org).

**Ladies night out**  
St. Mary Mercy Hospital is hosting the presentation Women & Heart Disease: An Equal Opportunity Killer 7-9 p.m. Thursday Feb. 15 from 7-9 p.m. in the hospital's auditorium, 36475 Five Mile Livonia. The speaker is Sanjeev Vashampayan, MD, director, Non-Invasive Cardiology, St. Mary Mercy Hospital. Bone density and blood pressure screenings will also be offered from 6-7 p.m. as well as prizes and refreshments. Learn about common

heart diseases, cardiovascular risk factors, diagnosis and treatment options. Registration required. No charge, but a \$5 goodwill donation is requested to benefit Marian Women's Center Programs. To register or for more information call (734) 655-1182.

**Health program**  
Your Emotions On Food presentation 7 p.m. Friday Feb. 16, learn medical and nutritional information at the Counseling and Integrative Wellness Center, 28222 Franklin Southfield. No charge. Call Donna Harber at (248) 355-2191 with inquiries. \$15 Body Analysis also available. Emotional based yoga class. All are welcome including those who are not flexible and who have had injuries. Free introductory class offered Friday Feb. 16. Call (248) 355-3977 for information.

**Panel discussion**  
On the historical, cultural, social and ethical implications of the exhibit *Our Body: The Universe Within* with the Michigan State University Center for Ethics and Humanities in the Life Sciences 7 p.m. Friday Feb. 16 at the Detroit Science Center. Admission is free with paid general admission. RSVP required. Send e-mail to [events@sciencedetroit.org](mailto:events@sciencedetroit.org).

Museum hours will be extended to 10 p.m. to allow event attendees an opportunity to view the exhibition either before or after presentation. *Our Body: The Universe Within* is an educational exhibition comprised of actual human bodies and organs. Tickets to the exhibit are \$24.95 for adults, \$22.95 for seniors, \$19.95 for children. Science Center general admission is free with the purchase of a ticket to the exhibit. Children ages 12 and under must be accompanied by adult. Visitors may add IMAX Dome Theatre film *The Human Body* for an additional \$3 for adults, \$2 for children and seniors with purchase of an exhibit ticket. Advance tickets on sale at [www.detroitsciencecenter.org](http://www.detroitsciencecenter.org) or call (313) 577-8400.

## FEBRUARY

### Fund-raiser

Dr. Jason Lawlor, Livonia Back To Health Chiropractic Clinic Director, will perform all first day services for new patients which includes a consultation exam, any necessary x-rays and a report of findings for a minimum donation of \$10 from Feb. 12-16. All money raised will go directly to Seedlings Braille Books for Children, a nonprofit organization providing high quality low cost children's literature in Braille. For an appointment call (734) 432-7071.

### Volunteers wanted

Child Abuse and Neglect Council of Oakland County is holding a Seeds of Hope lunch and tour at CARE House and inviting potential volunteers to attend noon to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13 at CARE House, 44765 Woodward north of Square Lake Road, Pontiac. For information call (248) 332-7173. There is no charge. The organization is seeking volunteers to assist with the children and families it serves.

### MS support group

Family and friends of those with MS (multiple sclerosis) are invited to

attend a new support group held at 7 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at Botsford Hospital's A & E building in Farmington. For directions call Sue at (248) 231-1136.

### Divorce support group

Group discussion 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13, attorney Patricia Kasody Coyle will also be available to answer questions in a private setting on a first come, first served basis in the Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty between Six and Seven Mile Livonia. For more information call (734) 462-4443.

### Blood drives

The Suburban Collection will host an expansive effort to encourage metro Detroiters to give the gift of life this Valentine's Day. Wednesday, Feb. 14 by donating blood from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Suburban Chevrolet Cadillac Saab Hummer, 3515 Jackson, Ann Arbor. 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at Saturn of Troy, 1790 Maplelawn and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Suburban Ford of Sterling Heights, 800 Country Lane, Suburban Ford of Waterford, 5900 Highland Road and Suburban Honda, 25100 Haggerty Farmington Hills.

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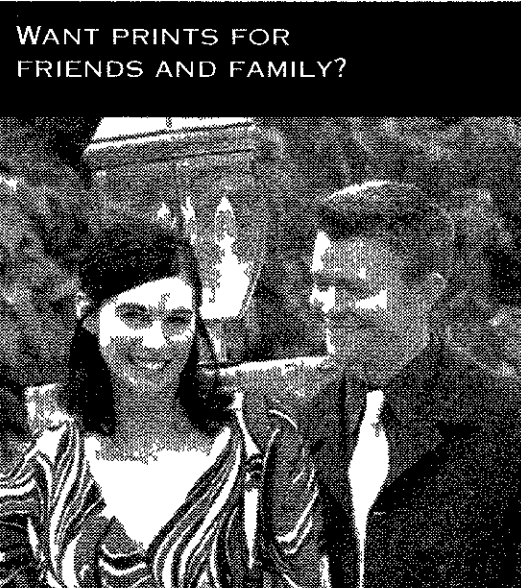
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## STENOSING TENOSYNOVITIS

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The cause of trigger finger is a thickening of the normal tissue that surrounds the tendon as it courses through the palm. Causes for stenosing tenosynovitis include diabetes mellitus, hypothyroidism, and repetitive gripping of the fingers as can occur on an assembly line job. However, these identifiable reasons account for only a small number of the cases of trigger finger. In most instances, doctors cannot identify the cause.

Stenosing tenosynovitis can occur to more than one finger and can include the thumb. A variant is DeQuervain's tenosynovitis. In this instance, the crease lines of the palm become thickened, this results in having all of the tendons coming through the palm to the fingers bound down. Then each hand tendon is at risk to become a trigger finger.

Whether you experience trigger finger or DeQuervain's tenosynovitis, most problems in using your hand occur in the morning. The reason is that at night the blood flow to the hands slows and the relative coolness causes the tissues around the tendon to thicken. For that reason, the treatment in the a.m. is warming the hands either with hot water or using a paraffin bath. For long term relief physicians use injection therapy into the tendon sheath or recommend surgery.

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# Outdoor adventure

Fitness pro will take you out of your comfort zone and into the fresh winter air

BY SHARON DARGAY  
COMMUNITY LIFE EDITOR

Never mind that the temperature hovered around a frostbiting zero degrees

Or that a blustery wind made it feel more like Antarctica than Rochester Hills

Or that snow — and in some places, ice — covered every stair, trail and hill

The 15 or so men and women who gathered on a recent Saturday morning at Bloomer Park didn't care much about wind chills and degree stats. They were on a 90-minute adventure to work out and work up a sweat outdoors.

"Once you try it, it grows on you," said Lisa Litnas of Rochester Hills. I like running the trails. It's so pretty back there.

The 46-year-old woman said she was a couch potato until she arranged for professional trainer, Jeff Watters, to lead an exercise boot camp at her place of employment, Eisbrenner Public Relations, in Troy. Now Litnas attends the exercise sessions at work and Watters Saturday Adventure in the Rochester Hills park.

"It's a craving. I just have to have it," she said.

Watters, a Ferndale resident, runs two urban boot camps year round on the streets and in a parking deck in downtown Birmingham, where he builds exercise routines around available equipment. That might include starwells, park benches or planters.

"You find ways to use different things for resistance. You learn to make do with what you have," Watters explained. "I see a tot lot and to me it looks like a miniature gym."

## EXERCISE IMPROVISING

He brings that same mentality to his Saturday class at Bloomer Park. A picnic table or fallen tree might assist with push ups and other strength building exercises, the

parks bike velodrome becomes an impromptu climbing wall, the playground is perfect for pull-ups. The routine changes from week-to-week depending on the weather, participants' needs and conditions at the park. If it's dry, he might include a bit of mountain biking. Snowy? Everyone might spend some time walking in snowshoes.

"My wife and I are real big on the whole outdoor thing. We love to take other people out to experience the things we love to do," Watters said. "We encourage people to try new things."

"Where the boot camp is just focused on exercise, Adventure Saturday is exercise, but we try to employ different disciplines that we can do in the city. It's a good way to try things that you may not even know are involved in an adventure race. Once you realize you've done it, you might be more apt to try something new."

By using a mix of exercise and adventure race activities on Saturday, he also draws an assortment of people. Some, like Maggie Surma of Royal Oak, attend Watters' Birmingham boot camp during the week. Others, like Gary Harrington, 52, of Waterford, only participate in Watters' Saturday session or his free Wednesday night boot camp, but also participate in adventure racing with groups like Infiteria Sports and Tailwind Enterprises.

Adventure races can last anywhere from a few hours to several days and include biking, hiking, running, canoeing, orienteering, rappelling, kayaking — any sport activity the participant does under his own power — in a team format.

"What I like about it is Jeff improvises and you're outside. I like being outside, in the woods," Harrington said.

Surma, 27 and her cousin, Natashe Vujovich, 26, of Rochester Hills, signed up for week day boot camp last year to get in shape for their upcoming wedding. They religiously

attend the Saturday Adventure sessions.

It started out as motivation for my wedding. But now I want to continue because it has proven to me what I can do, Surma said.

"You get addicted, Vujovich noted. "I never ran the mile in gym class and a few weeks ago he had us run two miles and I made it all the way. I started crying. It's been amazing. You work at your own level and never feel pressured. It just takes a few times to get into it. What I love about this is that it is never boring."

Watters may tailor some activities to specific members if he knows they have an upcoming race, but beginners aren't expected to keep up with long-time participants. One person may run the 170-step staircase at Bloomer three times, someone else might try it only once.

"People do what they can, as long as they do more than the last time," Watters said. He asks participants to try a bit harder each session. But he also teaches them to listen to their bodies and rest or warm up when necessary. He builds a fire in the stone shelter at the park and encourages participants to dress in layers.

"The thing that's neat about this is that it's hard to get up and get going in the winter when it's cold out. Once I get out into the fresh air, I feel so much more invigorated than if I had gone to the gym," Watters noted.

Even Rob Moroni, 43, of Bingham Farms, who doesn't really like exercise, "prefers running a park trail in the bracing winter air to the treadmill at a gym."

"I was looking for something that might engage me. It really does," said Moroni, who won a year's worth of Watters' boot camp by bidding on a silent auction at a charity event.

"In six months I've gained weight, but it's all muscle."

For more information on Watters' Saturday Adventure or his Motor City Bootcamp, visit [www.jeffwatters.com](http://www.jeffwatters.com).



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Exercise aficionados work out despite freezing temperatures at Bloomer Park in Rochester Hills. They use picnic tables for arm strengthening movements.

## ADVENTURE SATURDAY

What: Outdoor fitness classes

When: 8:30-10 a.m. every Saturday year round

Where: Bloomer Park, located at John R and Bloomer, north of Avon in Rochester Hills

Cost: \$15 per session if not enrolled in any Motor City Bootcamp program, \$10 for those registered with an approved race organization or enrolled in a Motor City Bootcamp program

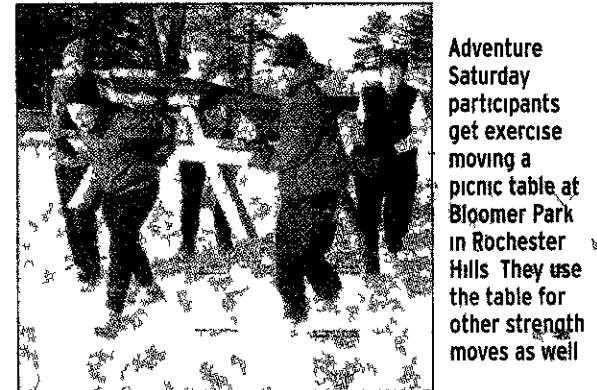
Other programs:

■ Motor City Bootcamp is an outdoor fitness program that meets at 5:30 a.m. Monday through Friday or 6:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday in the Chester Street parking deck in downtown Birmingham. Cost ranges from \$25 for drop-in to \$225 for the initial monthlong session. See [www.jeffwatters.com](http://www.jeffwatters.com) for other prices or call (248) 320-5705.

■ Moosejaw is a free outdoor, 90-minute boot camp that meets at 6:30 p.m. every other Wednesday at Moosejaw 34288 Woodward in Birmingham.



Gary Harrington of Waterford warms his hands over a fire in the pavilion at Bloomer Park in Rochester Hills, after exercising in the snow.



Adventure Saturday participants get exercise moving a picnic table at Bloomer Park in Rochester Hills. They use the table for other strength moves as well.



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## Students explore careers in sports/entertainment marketing

Michigan DECA, a student marketing group, is based at Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti. More than 1,400 high school students met there Jan. 11-12 for the district conference and competition.

The students were given sports and entertainment marketing as their topic. Their project required them to develop and present a plan to promote ticket sales for an amusement park in the fall. Students who excel have a chance to move on to the next round of competition.

Chris Pollum, conference planner for Michigan DECA and EMU staffer, was a key person in putting the district conference together.

Sports and entertainment just happened to be one of several areas our students can compete in," he said. The goal is to teach marketing skills to students.

They were all high school students, mostly juniors and seniors, Pollum said of the over 1,400 total, 700 each day, who attended. That conference was one of eight Michigan DECA will do around the state this year.

The students competed for the state conference March 16-17.

"It gives students the opportunity to interact with business professionals," Pollum said. "It gives them a unique opportunity to demonstrate their skills." Students can learn about marketing and careers before investing four years in college, Pollum said.

Local schools represented Jan. 11-12 include Belleville High, Garden City,

Livonia Churchill, Franklin, Stevenson and Career-Technical, Plymouth-Canton, Redford Union, Wayne-Westland and others.

"We have events with apparel and accessories, travel and tourism. Basically they're giving a case study situation." Students prepare a presentation to make to the judge.

Michigan DECA has some 7,500 members, and more than 2,500 of those and their advisers will meet March 16-17 for the state Career Development Conference at the Hyatt Regency Dearborn. Students will then go on to international competition in Orlando, Fla., in April.

"We'll take about 600 students to Orlando," he said.

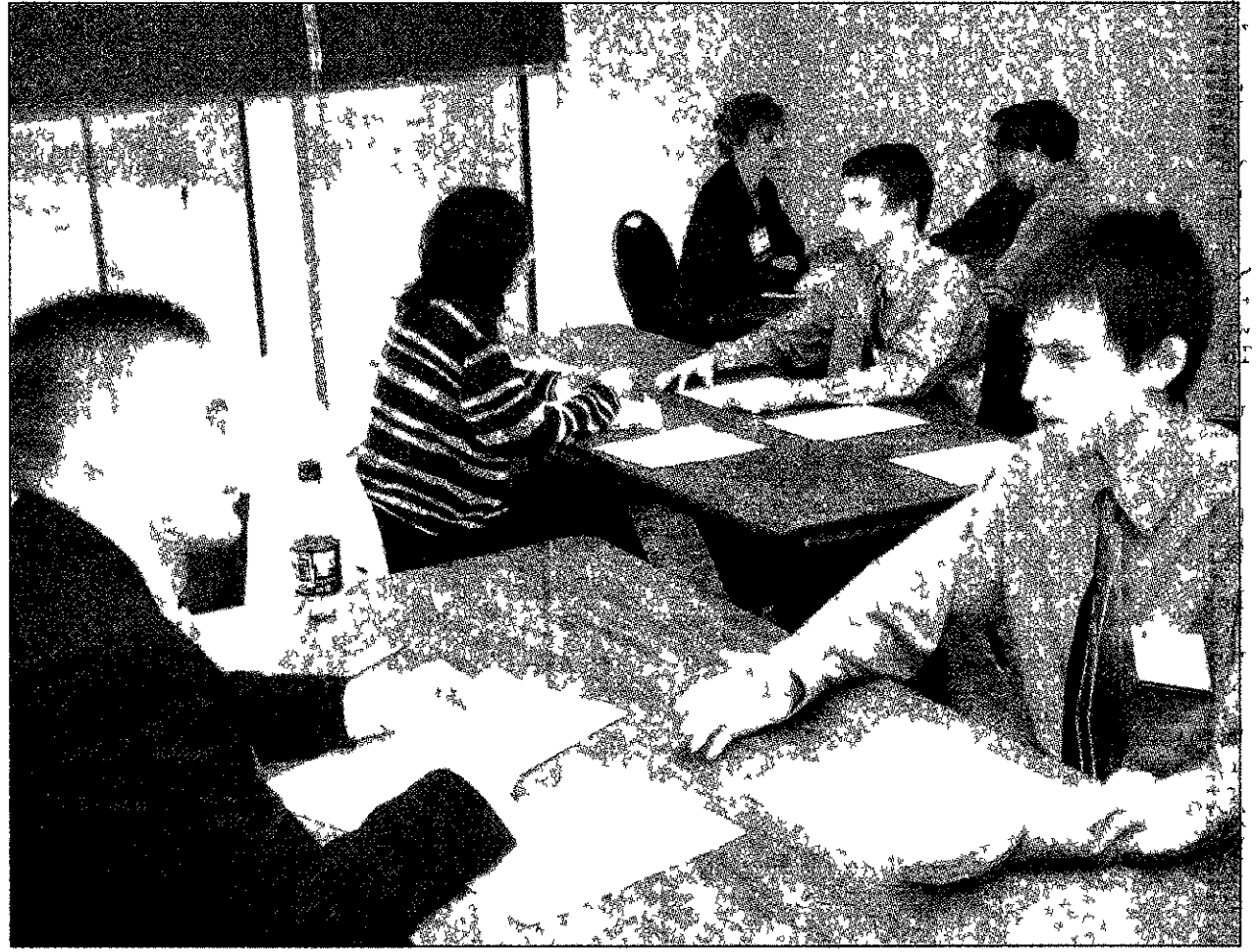
There is a DECA college division not administered out of his office, some Eastern students work in the office as employees.

"We're looking for business professionals to come judge on March 16 and 17. Additional information is available by calling (734) 487-3322 or online at [mideca.org](http://mideca.org)."

At the Dearborn event next month, judges will evaluate students in role playing, economic concepts, customer service, hospitality, e-commerce, food service management and market research.

DECA is an international association of high school and college students studying marketing, management and entrepreneurship in business, finance, hospitality and marketing sales and service.

By Julie Brown



The Michigan Distributive Education Clubs of America, which is based at EMU, hosted some 1,400 high school marketing education students for its district conference and competition Jan. 11-12. DECA judge Jeff McGee of Ann Arbor (left) interviews John James, a Hartland High School sophomore, while judge Marian Dorantes, a University of Michigan Spanish professor (center left), meets with Scott Hanover, a sophomore from Hartland High School.



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## LEXUS' NEW RX SUV IMPROVED FOR 2007



Lexus, The RX 350 is a new version of the RX 330.

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### CAReport



By Dave Menard  
Avanti News Features

Since its introduction in 1988 the Lexus RX has been among my favorite SUVs. In fact, one of my favorite vehicles overall. I tend to prefer car-based SUVs for their ride and handling characteristics. If you're the type who buys an SUV for its off-road capability, you might want to look elsewhere to something based on a truck platform. For SUVs that mainly tackle everyday city driving, it's hard to match the combination of style, handling, ride and features of the 2007 Lexus RX 350.

The RX 350 is a new version of the RX 330 and comes in two- and all-wheel drive models. It's a nice clean looking design with a front fascia that shares a common look with other Lexus vehicles, complete with the Lexus logo inset into the grille.

It's got a nice tapered roofline that flows into the power rear liftgate. 17-inch aluminum alloy wheels are standard. 18-inch aluminum alloy wheels are offered as a \$495 option.

A full-size spare, fog lamps, daytime running lights and color-keyed power heated outside mirrors are included, as well. The high-intensity headlights can include an optional Adaptive Front Lighting system, which uses vehicle speed and direction to determine when cornering is about to happen and swivels the headlights in that direction for better illumination. You can switch this feature off, if you don't like it.

Lexus has given the RX 350 more power than the RX 330 it replaces, and it delivers a little better fuel economy, too.

It's powered by a 3.5-liter, four-cam, 24-valve V6 engine with dual variable valve timing, rated at 270 horsepower and 251 lb.-ft. of torque. It's more than enough to move this mid-size SUV, the two-wheel drive version goes 0-60 in 7.3 seconds (7.4 for the AWD).

Completing the powertrain is a five-speed electronically controlled automatic transmission, and it shifts smoothly and quietly. The AWD version of the RX 350 has a viscous limited-slip differential that works with the traction control system to evenly distribute power to both axes with a constant 50/50 front to rear power split.

The test vehicle was a two-wheel drive version, so I can't give you a first-hand account of how it works, but based on past driving experience, I'm willing to bet it'll give you a smooth and controlled ride.

Both versions of the RX 350 come with Vehicle Stability Control, which helps in cornering and with sharp turns. The front suspension is a MacPherson strut system with coil springs, and in the rear, it's a dual-link MacPherson strut system with coil springs. You can order an air suspension

system that provides automatic leveling and driver-selectable options. In "normal" mode, the system automatically lowers the vehicle by 0.3 inches at speeds over 62 mph for better ride quality. In the "low" mode, the RX 350 is lowered by 0.6 inches to enhance handling, while the "high" mode raises the ground clearance by 1.2 inches for driving over rough surfaces at speeds under 30 mph. The test vehicle didn't have this option, but I'm not sure how much better ride and handling would be with it anyway. It's already pretty good.

Power-assisted rack and pinion steering is standard and a fairly tight turning circle means it's easy to park and maneuver. Four-wheel anti-lock brakes are standard, as well, and include Brake Assist. This system attempts to determine if a driver is attempting an emergency braking. If the system determines not enough pressure is being applied to the brake pedal, it will increase the brake pressure itself until the driver releases the brake pedal.

This is one of the many safety features of the RX 350. Also included are advanced driver and passenger air bags, a driver's knee air bag, and front seat-mounted side air bags. Side curtain air bags are standard and include a roll sensor.

Inside, Lexus has loaded the RX 350 with luxury items. The leather power seats are comfortable and easy to adjust. The instrument panel consists of round analog gauges with a tachometer to the left and fuel and temperature gauges to the right of the speedometer. The center stalk holds the climate control system, the audio system and the LCD screen that serves those functions. The screen will display trip information, your maintenance schedule, average speed and fuel consumption and outside temperature. That screen also holds the optional navigation system with back-up camera. The navigation system is fairly easy to use, and while you may not need it to get around town, the back-up camera is a great feature to have. You can't be too careful, especially with SUVs.

The cabin features wood trim all around, including the steering wheel, although you can order a leather-trimmed

steering wheel and shift knob, if you prefer. That package also gets you a power sunroof, roof rack, the AFS headlights, and power tilt/telescoping steering column (a manual one is standard).

Automatic dual-zone climate control is standard, as are auto on/off headlights, a programmable garage door opener, power windows, keyless entry, and power rear door.

The standard audio system is an AM/FM/cassette/six-disc CD changer with eight speakers and it's pretty good. You can add a Mark Levinson "premium" package audio system that includes 11 speakers and 210 watts of power. A rear-seat DVD entertainment system is also available.

There's plenty of passenger room in the RX 350. Leg and shoulder room are very good. The rear seats fold down for more storage and there are three storage compartments under the cargo area floor.

The 2007 RX 350 starts at \$37,400. Add the 18-inch wheels, navigation system, premium package that includes the sunroof, roof rack, AFS headlights, and leather trim and you're looking at about \$44,200.

Overall, the RX 350 gives you a pretty good package of features, ride, handling and comfort. If you're looking for a mid-size luxury SUV, this is a good place to start.

2007 Lexus RX 350  
Vehicle class: Special purpose SUV  
Power: V6 engine  
Mileage: 20 city / 25 highway (2WD) 19/24 (AWD)  
Where built: Kyushu, Japan  
Base price: \$37,400  
Price as tested: \$45,183

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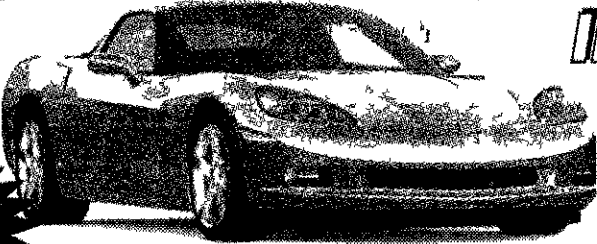
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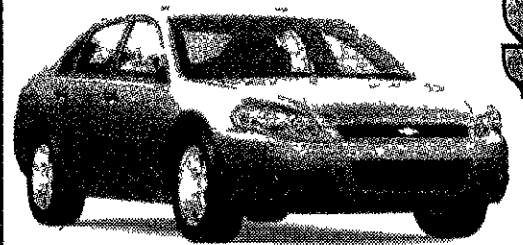
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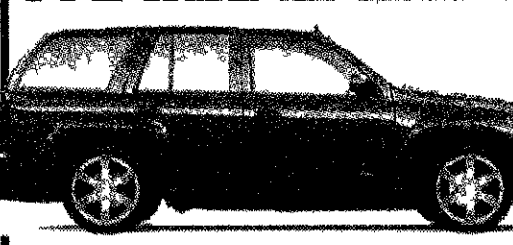
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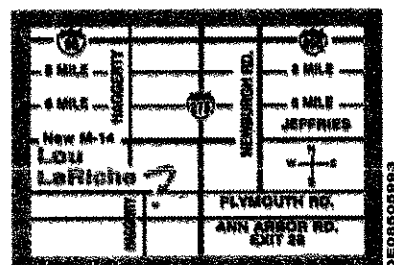
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# New Homes



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## Selecting a countertop you can count on

(NAPSI) — Increasingly, homeowners are finding they can give a home a new look by updating one or two key elements in the kitchen

New countertops, for instance, can dramatically transform the look of any kitchen. By choosing from a wide variety of materials such as granite, quartz, solid surface and laminate, homeowners are sure to find a countertop that fits their lifestyle and budget perfectly.

It is important for homeowners to determine the look they want to achieve before they begin. It is also essential for homeowners to know that the key to great-looking countertops and a well-polished kitchen is reliable, professional installation.

Professional installers ensure that the correct measurements are taken from the beginning. Additionally, licensed professionals can answer questions about warranties and maintenance techniques.

To help make the countertop selection and installation process a success from beginning to end, below are five tips from The Home Depot Home Services.

**Countertop Selection** Homeowners should research their options and identify the look they are trying to achieve beforehand. Homeowners might consider granite for a more traditional look and colored quartz for a more retro atmosphere.

Shoppers might also consider maintenance. For example, countertop surfaces such as Silestone® use materials that are scratch- and stain-resistant, making them virtually maintenance-free. Silestone is the first countertop with Microban (built-in anti-microbial product protection). Granite, with the exception of Stonemark®, needs to be resealed occasionally and marble can stain.

■ **Initial Store Visit** Bring



Experts say one key to having a great looking countertop and a well-polished kitchen is reliable professional installation.

measurements from existing countertop areas, plus design ideas for any layout changes or additions being considered.

■ **In Home Template** Once the new countertop material has been selected, a certified countertop installer will visit to verify measurements and create a template of the new countertop. (The template is the blueprint used to fabricate the custom countertop.) The installer will review seam placement and edges.

■ **Professional Installation** After the countertops are fabricated and inspected, the installer will set up a convenient time for installation. When the countertops arrive, it's important for homeowners to personally inspect them to make sure that they are in

perfect condition.

■ **Final Walk Through** After installation, the installer will explain care, maintenance and warranties. This is the time to ask any last-minute questions or address concerns about the countertops.

For more information, go to [homedepot.com/install](http://homedepot.com/install) or visit a local store.

## A good workout just steps away at Royal Oak lofts

The fully equipped fitness center at SkyLofts MarketSquare in Royal Oak simplifies New Year's resolutions for residents, as loft resident Erin Bialas, 30, recently discovered.

Bialas met with trainer Art Little from Royal Oak's Fitness Unlimited to identify her fitness goals and develop an improvement plan. There they found an array of equipment that Little said could meet everyone's needs. The gym includes an elliptical machine, two cycles, two treadmills, a rowing machine, hand weights and a Nautilus machine that especially impressed Little.

"There's no excuse now not to work out," she said.

A mirrored wall aids accuracy and a flat-screen TV helps pass the time. Dropped hand weights won't be able to dent the specially cushioned recycled rubber floor, although the rubber coating on the ends of the weights already offers protection.

"We expected very active buyers in this building and in this market, and felt that a well-equipped fitness center would be an important amenity," said development manager Nico Schultz.

Schultz said the developers also considered the needs of residents with special mobility needs when choosing and placing the equipment.

While Bialas likes the sociability and encouragement of cardio exercise classes, she said she appreciates the fitness center's elliptical machine on days when time or weather prevents her from getting to class.

Bialas, a guidance counselor at Detroit School of Arts, moved into SkyLofts MarketSquare a year ago. She went to college at Loyola University in Chicago, where she came to appreciate the style and convenience of loft living.

"I like the restaurants," she said of Royal Oak, "and I love that I can get a drink or a cup of coffee just steps away." The MarketSquare location is just two blocks off Main Street. "It's close to everything, but far enough away at 2 a.m. when the bars let out," she said.

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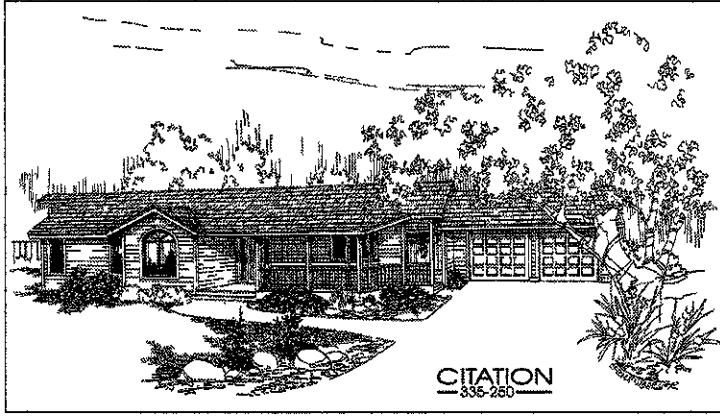
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Any meal will be enhanced by these elegant surroundings. For food preparation, the Citation boasts a walk-through kitchen that is sure to please the cook in the household. There is plenty of space here, with a center island, double ovens and a roomy pantry. For a breakfast get-together, or an informal coffee klatch, a wide nook is adjacent to the kitchen.

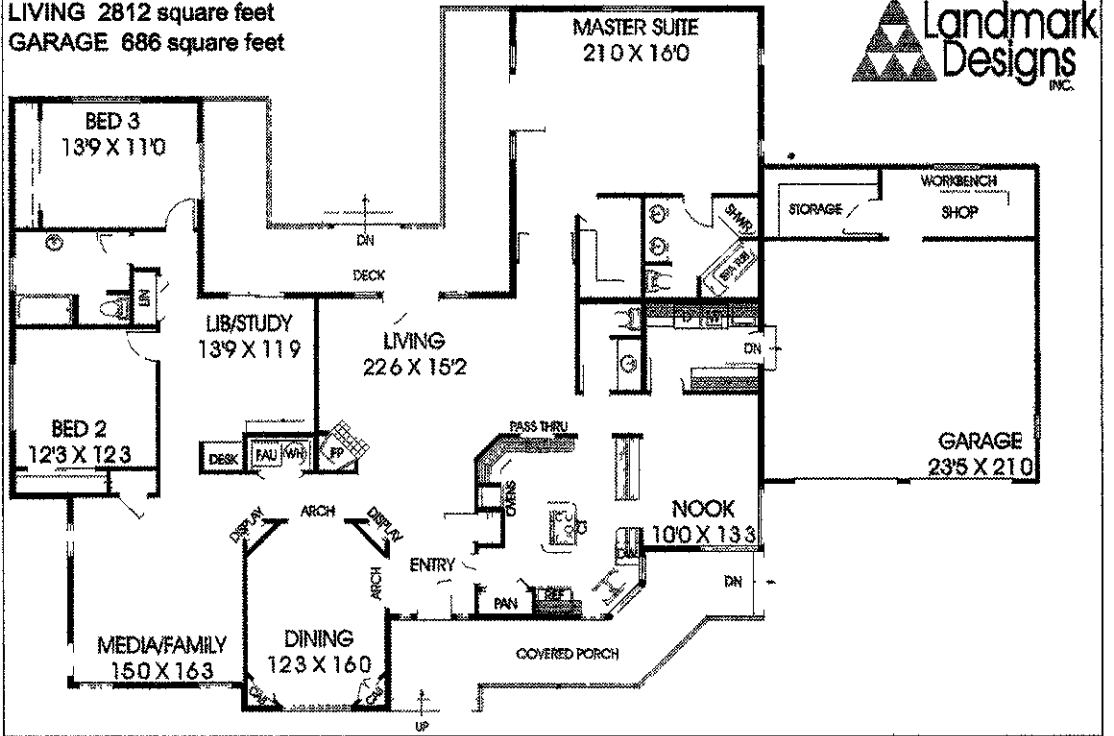
bedrooms, on the opposite side of the house, share a full bathroom and linen closet. Both bedrooms are sizable and open to the combination library/study. This room, containing handy bookshelves and a built-in desk to hold your PC, creates a positive atmosphere for any school children in the home.

television and VCR. Add some popcorn and a good movie to assure an enjoyable evening.

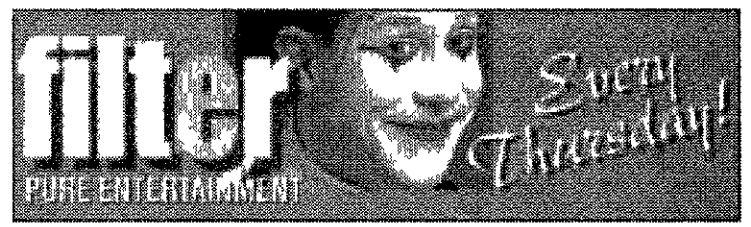
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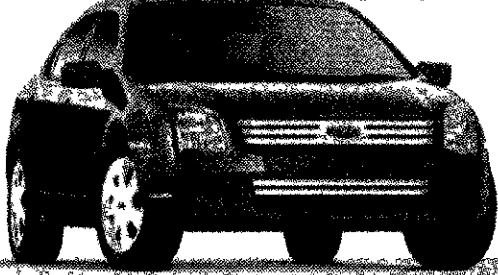


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\$0 DUE

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\$1000 CUSTOMER CASH  
**\$249<sup>00\*</sup>**  
\$1431.04 DUE

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**\$277<sup>18\*</sup>**  
\$400.81 DUE

SIGN & DRIVE  
**\$288<sup>12\*</sup>**  
\$0 DUE



## 2007 FOCUS SE

2.0 L engine, automatic, air, power windows & locks, cruise, tilt, center console  
Stock #7C1098  
WAS \$17,470

**NOW \$11,885\*\***

LEASE 36 MONTHS  
\$1000 CUSTOMER CASH  
**\$140<sup>76\*</sup>**  
\$1346.21 DUE

\$0 DOWN  
**\$169<sup>\*</sup>**  
\$316.10 DUE

SIGN & DRIVE  
**\$177<sup>00\*</sup>**  
\$0 DOWN



## 2007 F-150 SUPERCAB XLT

5.4 V-8, 4 speed auto O/D, air, trailer tow pkg., power signal heated mirrors, 7150 GVWR wheel locks. Stock #776138  
WAS \$32,995

**NOW \$22,830\*\***

LEASE 36 MONTHS  
\$1000 CUSTOMER CASH  
**\$202<sup>31\*</sup>**  
\$1576.45 DUE

\$0 DOWN  
**\$230<sup>70\*</sup>**  
\$546.54 DUE

SIGN & DRIVE  
**\$245<sup>70\*</sup>**  
\$0 DOWN



## 2007 FIVE HUNDRED SEL

3.0 24V V-6 engine, 6 speed automatic, air, AM/FM CD, power windows/locks, tilt, cruise. Stock #7C7080  
WAS \$23,730

**NOW \$15,945\*\***

LEASE 36 MONTHS  
\$1000 CUSTOMER CASH  
**\$232<sup>79\*</sup>**  
\$1443.76 DUE

\$0 DOWN  
**\$261<sup>40\*</sup>**  
\$414.10 DUE

SIGN & DRIVE  
**\$272<sup>00\*</sup>**  
\$0 DOWN



## 2007 ESCAPE XLT

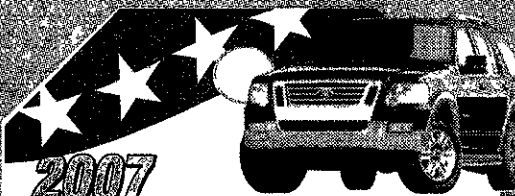
3.0 V6, 4 speed automatic O/D, power moonroof, 6 way pwr driver's seat, Audiophile 6 CD in dash, satellite capable sound, privacy glass. Stock #779012 WAS \$26,470

**NOW \$18,465\*\***

LEASE 36 MONTHS  
\$1000 CUSTOMER CASH  
**\$234<sup>35\*</sup>**  
\$1505.41 DUE

\$0 DOWN  
**\$262<sup>00\*</sup>**  
\$475.40 DUE

SIGN & DRIVE  
**\$275<sup>70\*</sup>**  
\$0 DOWN



## 2007 EXPLORER XLT 4 DOOR

4.6 V-6, 5 speed automatic w/OD trailer tow pkg., air, AM/FM CD, power windows/locks, XLT comfort group. Stock #775182  
WAS \$28,540

**NOW \$22,119\*\***

LEASE 36 MONTHS  
\$1000 CUSTOMER CASH  
**\$254<sup>61\*</sup>**  
\$1586.69 DUE

\$0 DOWN  
**\$283<sup>40\*</sup>**  
\$557 DUE

SIGN & DRIVE  
**\$299<sup>\*</sup>**  
\$0 DOWN



## 2007 EXPLORER SPORT TRAC XLT

4.0 V6 5 speed automatic, AM/FM CD, fog lamps, power windows/locks, step bar, 17 cast alum wheels. Stock #775017  
WAS \$26,795

**NOW \$21,432\*\***

LEASE 36 MONTHS  
\$1000 CUSTOMER CASH  
**\$265<sup>56\*</sup>**  
\$1418.49 DUE

\$0 DOWN  
**\$294<sup>10\*</sup>**  
\$388.70 DUE

SIGN & DRIVE  
**\$304<sup>00\*</sup>**  
\$0 DOWN



## 2007 MUSTANG COUPE

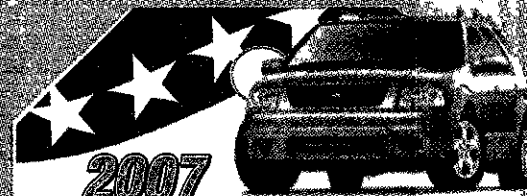
4.0 V-6 5 speed manual trans., V 6 power pkg., air, ABS, AM/FM CD w/Shaker 500 Sirius satellite radio (6 mo. service), power driver's seat, traction control. Stock #7C6024 WAS \$24,255

**NOW \$20,688\*\***

LEASE 36 MONTHS  
\$1000 CUSTOMER CASH  
**\$276<sup>57\*</sup>**  
\$1430.16 DUE

\$0 DOWN  
**\$306<sup>00\*</sup>**  
\$402.30 DUE

SIGN & DRIVE  
**\$318<sup>70\*</sup>**  
\$0 DOWN



## 2007 FREESTYLE SEL

3.0 V-6, automatic, traction control, AM/FM CD stereo, power windows/locks, 3rd row seat. Stock #771201  
WAS \$27,315

**NOW \$19,121\*\***

LEASE 36 MONTHS  
\$1000 CUSTOMER CASH  
**\$282<sup>20\*</sup>**  
\$1526.13 DUE

\$0 DOWN  
**\$311<sup>\*</sup>**  
\$496.70 DUE

SIGN & DRIVE  
**\$324<sup>90\*</sup>**  
\$0 DOWN

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New 2005 F-550 Switch & Go Body  
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4.6 V8, 5 speed auto trans. air shaker 1000 audio system interior upgrade pkg. ABS traction control. Stock #6G445  
Was \$34,200 **NOW \$26,664<sup>24\*</sup>**

**"MANAGERS SPECIAL"**

New 2006 E-250 Quality Coach Hi Top Conversion  
5.4 V-8 High Cap Air, power rec sofa, 13" TV, h seats, qual leather. Stock #8T2025  
Was \$44,865 **NOW \$34,748\*\***

**"MANAGERS SPECIAL"**

2007 F-350 4x4 DUMP SAVE \$8400  
5.4L V8, 5 speed auto, 40 gallon fuel tank, air, 13,000 GVWR, snow plow pkg. Stock #7T6203  
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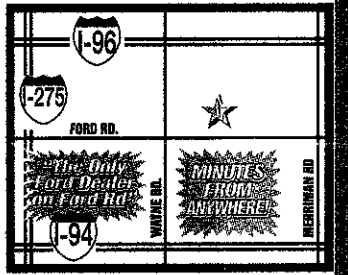
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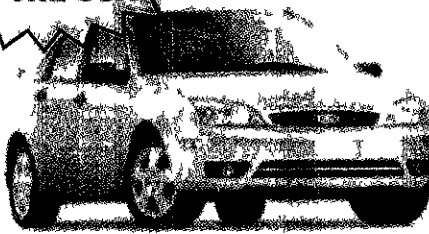
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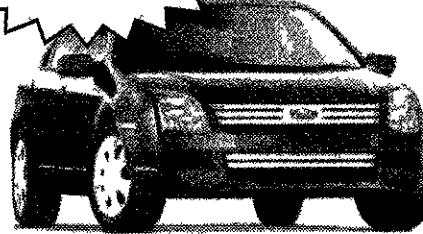
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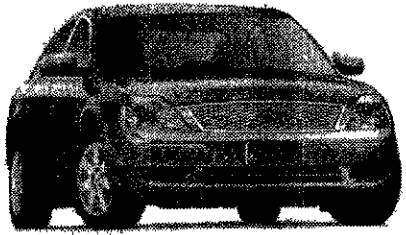
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**\$1000 Down Sign & Drive**  
**\$230\*** Per Mo **\$303\*** Per Mo  
 \$1333 due at signing All Fees Included!

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 10 AT THIS PRICE  
 185 AVAILABLE

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### 2007 FIVE HUNDRED SEL



CD, power windows, power locks, speed control, tilt steering wheel, power seat.

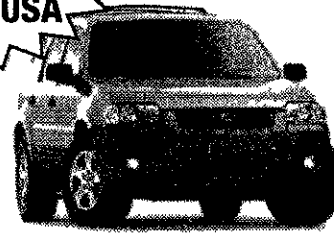
**\$1000 Down Sign & Drive**  
**\$262\*** Per Mo **\$339\*** Per Mo  
 \$1398 due at signing All Fees Included!

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 10 AT THIS PRICE  
 61 AVAILABLE

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### 2007 ESCAPE XLT With Sun & Sound



Air, power moonroof, power windows & locks, Audiophile in-dash 6-CD, satellite capable, cargo cover, speed control

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**\$254\*** Per Mo **\$333\*** Per Mo  
 \$1310 due at signing All Fees Included!

**BUY FOR \$17,548+**  
 8 AT THIS PRICE  
 76 AVAILABLE

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### 2007 SPORT TRAC



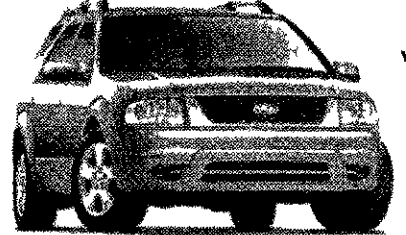
Power Windows, Locks, Speed Control, Tilt, Hard Tonneau Cover

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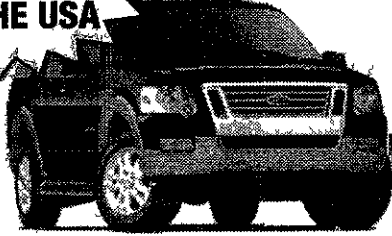
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 \$1450 due at signing All Fees Included!

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 \$1573 due at signing All Fees Included!

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 4 AT THIS PRICE  
 132 AVAILABLE

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**\$262\*** Per Mo **\$338\*** Per Mo  
 \$1368 due at signing All Fees Included!

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 6 AT THIS PRICE  
 152 AVAILABLE

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XLT, tow & go, 5.4V8, automatic trans, speed control, power windows & locks, AM/FM-CD, sliding rear window, air.

**\$1000 Down Sign & Drive**  
**\$220\*** Per Mo **\$301\*** Per Mo  
 \$1518 due at signing All Fees Included!

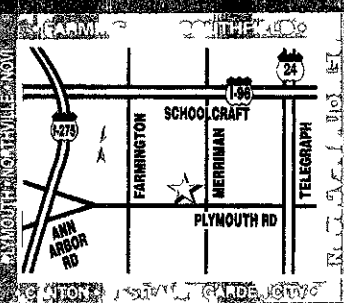
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 15 AT THIS PRICE  
 293 AVAILABLE

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Was \$34,215  
**NOW \$26,242<sup>25\*</sup>**

24 MONTH LEASE RENEWAL

<b>SIGN &amp; DRIVE</b> <b>\$297<sup>15**</sup></b> per mo \$0 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$1000 DOWN</b> <b>\$232<sup>33**</sup></b> per mo \$1554.27 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$2000 DOWN</b> <b>\$190<sup>07**</sup></b> per mo \$2569.47 DUE AT SIGNING
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### 2007 EDGE FWD SE



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Was \$25,995  
**NOW \$23,999<sup>36\*\*</sup>**

24 MONTH LEASE RENEWAL

<b>ZERO DOWN</b> <b>\$304<sup>13**</sup></b> per mo \$375.38 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$1000 DOWN</b> <b>\$262<sup>30**</sup></b> per mo \$1391.10 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$2000 DOWN</b> <b>\$220<sup>00**</sup></b> per mo \$2406.84 DUE AT SIGNING
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### 2007 FOCUS 5 DOOR SES

Power s de windows conven ence group ntegrated fog lamps a r 16 alloy wheels power locks 2.0L DOHC eng ne auto trans P205/50R16 BSW t res safety pkg ant lock brakes s de impact a r bags weather pkg heated seats power heated m rrors Stock #71858

24 MONTH LEASE RENEWAL

<b>SIGN &amp; DRIVE</b> <b>\$191<sup>76**</sup></b> per mo \$0 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$1000 DOWN</b> <b>\$138<sup>07**</sup></b> per mo \$1289.35 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$2000 DOWN</b> <b>\$95<sup>00**</sup></b> per mo \$2304.55 DUE AT SIGNING
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Was \$18,875  
**NOW \$13,761<sup>15\*</sup>**

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### 2007 FUSION SE

2.3L I4 eng ne 5 speed auto transm ss on P205/60R16 al season t res a r cond speed/tilt wheel power w ndows/locks pa mete ant theft system a r bags dr ver & passenger 1st & 2nd row a r curta ns fog lamps 6 way power seat Stock #71689

24 MONTH LEASE RENEWAL

<b>SIGN &amp; DRIVE</b> <b>\$228<sup>22**</sup></b> per mo \$0 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$1000 DOWN</b> <b>\$208<sup>00**</sup></b> per mo \$1113.00 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$2000 DOWN</b> <b>\$165<sup>72**</sup></b> per mo \$2173.00 DUE AT SIGNING
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Was \$19,705  
**NOW \$16,803<sup>90\*</sup>**

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### 2007 FIVE HUNDRED SEL FWD

3.0L 4V V6 Duratec eng ne auto 6 speed ransm ss on 4 wheel ABS speed control tilt wheel front & s de impact a r bags P225/55R18 BSW t res chrome package chrome mesh grille 18 x 8 chrome clad wheels Stock #71548

24 MONTH LEASE RENEWAL

<b>SIGN &amp; DRIVE</b> <b>\$318<sup>00**</sup></b> per mo \$0 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$1000 DOWN</b> <b>\$259<sup>00**</sup></b> per mo \$1418.58 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$2000 DOWN</b> <b>\$217<sup>00**</sup></b> per mo \$2433.88 DUE AT SIGNING
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Was \$24,725  
**NOW \$18,530<sup>15\*</sup>**

5 STAR RATED!



### 2007 ESCAPE XLT FWD

Power 6 way driver seat 16" aluminum wheels floor mats pr vacy glass duratec 2.3L I4 eng ne 4 speed auto O/D trans P235/70R16 A/S BSW t res power moonroof with shade mini OH console w/sunglass b n sun and sound rear cargo conven ence group audphl/6 CD n dash/sat cap Stock #71376

36 MONTH LEASE RENEWAL

<b>SIGN &amp; DRIVE</b> <b>\$270<sup>16**</sup></b> per mo \$0 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$1000 DOWN</b> <b>\$230<sup>42**</sup></b> per mo \$1447.25 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$2000 DOWN</b> <b>\$202<sup>13**</sup></b> per mo \$2477.26 DUE AT SIGNING
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Was \$24,275  
**NOW \$18,273<sup>90\*</sup>**

23 City 26 Hwy



### 2007 EXPLORER XLT

4.0L SOHC V6 eng ne 5 speed auto O/D trans cargo area cover XLT appear P245/65R17 A/S OWL t res unng boards 17 cast alum wheels roof ra l cross bars conven goup elect ochromat c m rror MSG cntr w/2 l nes and compass auto lamp headl ghts keypad XLT comfort Stock #71484

24 MONTH LEASE RENEWAL

<b>SIGN &amp; DRIVE</b> <b>\$304<sup>54**</sup></b> per mo \$0 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$1000 DOWN</b> <b>\$230<sup>22**</sup></b> per mo \$1576.57 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$2000 DOWN</b> <b>\$197<sup>18**</sup></b> per mo \$2591.98 DUE AT SIGNING
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Was \$28,085  
**NOW \$23,283<sup>50\*</sup>**

Includes Explorer Owner Loyalty Rebate 5 STAR RATED



### 2007 FREESTYLE SEL FWD

3.0L 4V V6 duratec eng ne cont nuously variable trans P215/65R17 BSW t res 5.19 rat a regular axle 50/50 3rd row spl t seat 60/40 spl t 3 passenger 2nd row 4 wheel ant lock brakng system (ABS) power w ndows/locks remote keyless entry speed control/tilt column safety & security package Stock #71955

24 MONTH LEASE RENEWAL

<b>SIGN &amp; DRIVE</b> <b>\$349<sup>07**</sup></b> per mo \$0 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$1000 DOWN</b> <b>\$287<sup>04**</sup></b> per mo \$1478.11 DUE AT SIGNING	<b>\$2000 DOWN</b> <b>\$245<sup>77**</sup></b> per mo \$2493.52 DUE AT SIGNING
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Was \$27,020  
**NOW \$21,379<sup>90\*</sup>**

Cross Over w/Economy in Mind! 20 City 27 Hwy

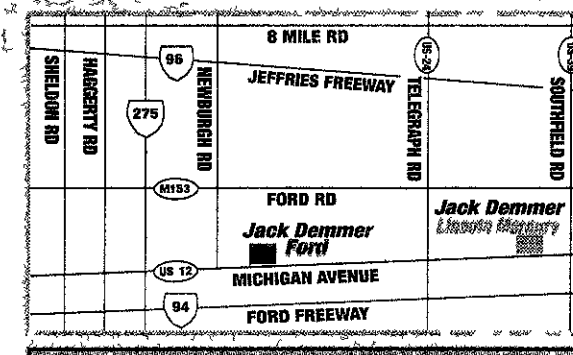


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