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## Coming together as one



## School official: Fund existing education programs

By SUE MASON
OBSERyER STAF WEITE
A Wayne-Westland school official is hoping state lawmakers will focus on funding current school programs
and wait until the state's economy improves to finance new initiatives. The proposed state school aid bill is currently before a state Househammer out differences, primarily
over the amount of money earmarked
for new programs like the 2lst cenfor new programs like the 21 st cen
tury small high school initiative tury small high school initiative existing programs' funding until Michigan is healthy," said WayneWestland Superintendent Greg
Baracy. "The programs are well Baracy. "he programs are well
intentioned, but the timing's not
right"
According to Baracy, $\$ 32$ million
According to Baracy, $\$ 32$ million is
earmarked for the small high school
initiative, which would be available
to high schools with low graduation to high schools with low graduation
rates. If the program were delayed, rates. If the program were delayed,
it could mean an additional $\$ 20$ per Wayne-Westland student or
$\$ 250,000$ that could be used 'to ad $\$ 250,000$ that could be used "to add eachers or buy buses., the propose
According to Baracy, the per pupil increase ranges from $\$ 52$ $\$ 110$, but could be more if the state waits to on the initiatives. Wayne-
Westland receives $\$ 7,896$ per student
hr state school aid and has budgeted or a. $\$ 130$ increase for fiscal 2008 -
og. However as it stands now, the 9. However, as it stands now, the
district's increase could be $\$ 90$, well eelow the rate of inflation, Baracy He added that $\$ 80$ million is ear marked for initiatives, an amount hat equates to $\$ 500$ ere stument. Tha
would get the district loser to would get the district closer to the $\$ 130$ mark, but declining enrollment
could wash it away. Projections show

26,000 students leaving the state this year and like number next yea
and that 400 school districts will and that 400 school districts will
report an enrollment loss this fall. Saying that efforts to hammer out a compromise bill is at a "critical
state," Baracy encouraged lawmakers to " "put some of the proposed earmarked money in the foundation "Iowance," "Every school distric

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## Golf outing helps EEF continue good works



On a mostly cloudy day with temperatures barely breaking
60 degrees, 142 golfers turned 60 degrees, 142 golfers turned
out to support the Plymouth-
Canton Schools Educational Canton Schools Educational annual golf outing an Fox Fills
Golf \& Banquet Center The event is the biggest fund-raiser for the EEF, this year contributing $\$ 40,000$ to the foundation that's been
in existence for 23 years and constantly striving to support educational excellence.
"Tt's a non-profit organi"Its a non-profit organisupport Plymouth-Canton Community Schoools,", said
Sharon Belobraidich EEF Sharon Belobraidich, EEF
board chair. "It was formed back in 1985, primarily as a means to accept donations for scholarships for PCCS stu-
dents. But, during the past 20 dents. But, during the past 20
years we have grown into so

## much more," The EEF, <br> The EEF, according to Executive Director Carole

 Executive Director caroleKody, has $\$ 750,000$ in total assets, of which $\$ 600,000$ are
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grams.
"We are only limited by our "We are only limited by ou
donors' imaginations as for donors' imaginations as for
what they want to put their money toward", said Kody. "It used to be EEF was focused
on classroom enhancenent on classroom enhancement
grants grants, summer academies
and scholarships. We are positioned now to be the fidu-
ciary for a number of different ciary for a number of fiffferent
groups, and it's a big business groups, and it
for us now.
"EEF is also audited by an independent firm, separate
from the school district, so from the school district, so
there's plenty of checks and there's plenty of checks and
balances in place to make sure


## Canton Cop Calls

Woman concerned about threat A 53 -year-old Canton woman report
ed to police June 22 that her former ef to police June 22 that her former
friend, a Wyandote man, had threatened her over the Internet. The man because he worked at a bar that she frequequented, said he wrote her a message on MySpace using pro-
fanity and threatening to spit Upon contacting the bar owner with the information, the man was fired. Afterward, the man sent her another message implying that he was coming
to Canton. The woman said the man doesn't have her address, but was concerned about the situation. She is not seeking prosecution but did want the
matter documented.

Handicapped man lost and found
A Canton man, 49, is back at home
after another Canton man, 45 , found after another Canton man, 45 , found Palmer Apartments. Sunday.

The 45 -year-old contacted township police after realizing that the other
man, who had gotten his wheelchair stuck in the mud, was mentally and physically handicapped and couldn't
provide him with an identity. provide him with an identity.
Canton police then brought the man to the police station where he offered several names for himself. Officers
then found his pharmacy card and then found his pharmacy card and
contacted the business. It was eventually learned that he was a resident of the group home, Canton Club East Apartments.
ing the man said that it wasn't unusual for the man to leave the grounds in order to visit another friend, but that
he didn't make a habit of wandering away.
The complex is conducting an internal investigation.

Worried about fired employee The former employee of a 25 -year-old the fired man had been hanging around
the establishment during Monday's early-morning hours. year-old Redfor the business, a 54 -year-old Redford Township man told police that the Westland man still has
keys to the building and has a temper. The man didn't attempt to enter the building but the manager wanted to make police aware of the situation.

Teens harassing teen
A township teen contacted Canton
police Monday because he fears his police Monday because he fears his
vehicle will be damaged by other teen The boy, 17, said he was changing his truck's of at his home on the 46000 bock of Gainsborough, when two othe boys approached him and said they
would call the police on him for chang ing his oil at his home. He said they
then began to kick then began to kick items, including a
bottle of oil causing it to spill in his bottle of oll causing it to spill in his
driveway. The teen told police that the two are
always causing problems and is concerned that they may damage his truck.

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## Three employees at AAA Michigan's Canton branch


located in Detroit. She is a member of Northridgge Church and is involved with Wayne
State University's Institute of State University's Institute of
Gerontology HBC Advisory. Dentists open Canton a family dental office. The staff at Bright Side Dental has
been providing dental care to many patients for more than
40 years. Bright Side Dental 40 years. Bright Side Dental also has two other locations, in
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of three, said they began to toss around the idea of inventing a clip.
"Finally, we just said 'Why "Finally, we just said 'Why
are we not trying this?" she said. And with that, their company, Maisy and Mary, LLC was born. The first prototype of the Flibber, now a clear plastic clip, was made with twi
ties and paper clips. The product, sold in a pack of three for $\$ 5.99$, is manufactured by PTI Engineered
Plastics in Macomb Count Plastics in Macomb County
It was important for us to be able to get these made
right in Michigan," said right in Michigan," said
Mazur, an accountant and Mazur, an acco
mother of two.
husband, Ken, have been supportive of their invention.
Mazur said she gets a kick out of people stopping to ask how her shoes charms are attached to her sneakers.
"We were both hoping that "We were both hoping that
would happen," she said.
"The idea has been a hit "The idea has been a hit
from the beginning." from the beginning."
The two launched their Web site, www.flibbers.com, a few weeks ago and said even though they are excited about their business ventur
they intend to keep their. they intend to keep th
friendship a priority: "We have always told each
other different ideas for a other different ideas for a
business. and this one just finally clicked," Murray finally
said. "But our friendship is the
most important thing."



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## Decisions on retirement income depend on your situation

Dear Rick: A friend just
retired. His financial etired. His financial cashing out U.S. Savings Bonds in order to cover
his income needs. I said he
should first take it from should first take it from his savings bonds and then
use his IRA. What are you se his IRA. What are yo It is a difficult question to answer because there are a ot of unknowns. First, with Bonds, what interest are hey paying? Is it a high rate return or, have the bonds If no interest is being pai because the bonds have natured, I would begin a p ram to cash out.
On the other hand, if the

## Circuit court candidates grapple with legal issues

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| for the Wayne County 3r | specializing in family la |
| Circuit Court exchanged | But she said she |
| views Tuesday on a wide | ance for hate crimes |
| ge of judicial issues a | Lynne Pierce, a munici- |
| m at Schoolcra | pal |
| VisTaTech Center. | Woods, said what's important |
| The forum was sponsored b | is if there is action behind the |
| four Wayne County chapters of | words. |
| the League of Women Voters. | "The |
| Questions were submitted by | are just words," Pierce |
| mbers of the audience | She said ou |
| Participating | ple "even when the |
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| Jr., Daniel A. Hathaway, | attorney and former cou |
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opposed to fixed-income investments such as bonds. Because of the favorable capi-
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into a trust and use that as a long-term growth portion of the portfolio. When someone first starts
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lio, he/she should consider the tax implications. It is important to recognize that the tax
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Brightest and best
Canton residents Matt Dybad（Salem High grad）and George Wasylyshyn（Canton High grad）stand with meteorologist Sean Ash at WXY2－TV／Channel 7＇s 25th Annual＇Brightest \＆Best＇salute to high school senies
last month．More than 250 high school seniors gathered at WYYZ for the event．Each year the station recoonizes the most outstanding high school seniors in the area during the event．
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Nine－vear－old Ethan Monaghan（left）messes around with his brother Steven， ，in their Plymouth home．Ethan is receiving the Boy Scouts Heroism neighborrhood swimming pool．
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By ToNY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER When Ethan Monaghan heard his younger brother
screaming for help while the two were swimming at the Rolling Oaks subdivision poo
last summer，the Plymouth last summer，the Plymouth
Township 9 －year－old Webelos Scout didn＇t hesitate． Five－year－old Steven
Monaghan was floating on Monaghan was floating on a
inflatable ring and flipped， inflatable ring and flipped，
with the nonswimmer sudden－
ly finding himself $f$ in ly finding himself in about five feet of water and struggling to
stay afloat． stay a float．
I I was goi toys）at thoe pool and theard Steven screaming my name，＂ Ethan said．＂I ran and jumped up by the waist and started bringing him to the stairs an
put him on the put him on the ground．
To this day，Ethan doesn＇t consider it a big deal．However，
for his bravery Ethan has been for his bravery Ethan has
awarded the Boy Scouts of America National Heroism Award for Lifesaving． ＂It＇s pretty cool，＂Ethan said get int．＂ In fact，less than 300 of In fact，less than 300 of
the 4.6 million Scouts in the the 4.6 million Scouts in the
United States are awarded the honor．And Ethan is the first in the 50 －year history of Cub Scout Pack 781，which is
housed at Our Lady of Good housed at Our Lady of Good
Counsel Church in Plymouth
Township，to receive the award． Township，to receive the aw
It＇s not the only honor bestowed upon Ethan
week．He and his family met privately with President
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Manor in Livonia． ＂He congratulated me for
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presidential pin and I got his presidential pin and I got his
autograph，＂said Ethan，who is
also scheduled to throw out the autograph，
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care if I ever get any award， care if I ever get any award，
I was just thankful to save my brother，＂said his father，
Steven Monaghan．＂He has not Steven Monaghan．＂He has not
been，in any way，altered in his been，in any way，＂al
behavior by this．＂
Ethan＇s mom，Audrey，said
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who is＂selfless and coura－ $\xrightarrow{\text { who is．＂s }}$
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nature，kind spirit and what he＇s willing to do，＂she said．

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OUR VIEWS

## Play it smart with fireworks

With Fourth of JJuly just around the corner, it is a good time to remind people about fireworks
there is no such thing as safe fireworks. there is no such thang as sate fireworks.
Fireworks contain liack powder and the amount of black powder determines shether the fireworks is for
consumers or for displays. Just knowint that an explo consumers or for displays. Just knowing that an explo-
sive is involved should be enough for people to exercise sive is involved should be enough for people to exercise
caution, but accidents will happen. Just ask the 6,400 Americans who spent part of their Fourth of July hodiday last year in the emergency room. Fireworks can cause
blindness, third-degree burns, permanent scarring and even death
haverese plenty of legal fireworks available for people to Have their own ground display, but theré salso businesses moms $M-$ breas the law and sell iliegal fireworks. Cherry
 types of tiegar hreworks.
Even firework that are labeled as safe for consumer
use can cause inuries. As children, weve all enjoyed
and use can cause injuries. As children, we ve all enjoved
waving sparklers, but they have cansed more waving sparklers, but they have catused tyoe of fireworks.
children under ages 5 than any other typ Sparklers burn at temperatures of aboit 2,000 degrees.
Theyre hot enough to melt some metals - imagine what they can do to a child.
If you plan to incorporate fireworks into your Fourth of
July celebration, follow these Consumer Product Safety July celebration,
Commission tips
Never allow young children to play with fireworks. - Make sure fireworks are legal in your area before buying or using them.
packaging. Thates fotew a sign that the firework paper packaging. Thats often a sign that the fireworks were
made for professional shows and could pose a danger to consumer:
A Never have any portion of your body directly over a fireworks device when lighting the fuse. Move back a
safe distance immediately ater lighting.
a Never try yo relidight or pick kup freworks that have n Never try to re-ligight or pick pupf freworks that have
not fully functioned. Douse and soak with water and not fully functioned. Douse and soak with water and
throw them away. throw them away.

- Never point or throw fireworks at another person. case of fire or other mishap.
ENever carry fireworks.
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Promura , Gidivon, Court, Pool, Arena, Greens, Diamond Spurfs Wert there!


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Smoking ban overdue The ban on smoking in in Michigan. Other states have enacted smoking bans.
Michigan is behind the times but it's never too late to pass. this needed legislation. What
has taken us so long to get to has taken us so long to get to
this point?

Jim Wachlarz
Canton
Political contributions important
Ms. Pondell, in her letter ("Who's funding campaigns,"
June 26), addressed the issue of the campaign election con-
tributors, who are contractors sub-contractors and Realtors doing business in Canton. erhaps it would be helpful expand her knowledge of the work of Realtors in the Canton
On her behalf we encouras endorse trustees, who believe that: the pop-up tax needs to
be eliminated because it is a burden to sellers and buyers, economy; that open house signs on weekends be allowed to be visible to encourage traf
fic to a house for sale (this could be her house); to fight fo her right to retain her propert
rather than lose it under the rather than lose it under the
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to encourage the local governments to contact owners of
foreclosed properties to keep foreclosed properties to keep
the exterior of their homes in good condition rather than looking like they have been her neighborhood. We encourage those to run who are dedicated to bringwho are dedicated to bring-
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## LETTERS

new jobs. New jobs means the
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build homes that have floor plans and amenities that the people want when building a
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We encourage those to ru home she is living in.
We encourage those to run
for office who to give careful consideration to the the issuesul of rising SEV's and rising taxes to
prevent unfair taxation in a fal tering economy. This could be
her home. We Realtors rovide her home. We Realtors provide
documentation, free of charge, documentation, free of charge,
to those choosing to appear before the board of appeals regarding their tax incereases. We encourage those to run
who believe in holding the line in spending, so that the community isnt faced with a
deficit budget thereby affection deficit budget thereby affectin
the viability of that community. This is the community in which Ms. Pondell lives. Candidates are interviewed
extensively on all of the aboveextensively on ail of the above-
mentioned issuus before any mentioned issues before any
endorsement is given. Further
we interview thise we interview those running for
seats in the Michigan House and Senate as well. I, therefore
and take exception to her state-
ment that
it is obvious ment that "it is obvious they
are unable to take a thoughtf view of planning and expansion." On the contrary, Ms. Pondell, please re-consider your opinion. The work runs
far deeper than what you or far deeper than what
most people realize.

- Nancy Austin $\begin{array}{r}\text { Realtor }\end{array}$


## Close down puppy mills

When people think about getting a new puppy, how many go to the pet stores, and spend
a fortune getting that
puppy and don't even know
where that puppy came from? where that puppy came from?
When you go to the stores that sell l puppies many people dot sell puppies many people
duppies come from the the worst puppies come from the worst
places on this earth. Places phere hund thisedredth of dogs ares abused and imprisoned in wir cages that are too small for
them to barely move in and them to barely move in and
many times those cages are many times those cages are
stacked one on top of the other
outside in the winter outside in the winter and the
summer and they are never let summer and they are never let
out to play in the cool green grass like you would think dogs
 The mother dogs are bred
over and over for years until they no orgger can produce
any more puppies and the any more puppies and they
are either killed or turned are either killed or turned out
and left to starve and die on their own after having lived a horrible and torturous life. Is this how the most loving crea-
ture on this earth is suppose to be treated? And this is only
scratching the surface of what scratching the surface of what
they have to they have to go through.
You may think that you a rescuing the cute little puppy in some stores, but all you are
doing is enabling that puppy doing is enabling that puppy
mill owner to make more mill owner to make more
money and go on to produce more puppies that have many
health problems and behavhealth problems and behav-
ioral problems. And if this ioral problems. And if this
isn't bad enough, now we have
another problen another problem.
There are many dog rescue groups in this state that are
the best places to go besides a shelter to adopt a new puppy or older dog. Those rescues
work with the doge work with the dogs, help-
ing them adjust to living in a
home, housebreaking them ing them adjust to living in a
home, housebreaking them
and teaching them how to be and teaching them how to be
obedient so that they have the obedient so that they have the
best chances to be adopted into their forever home. And d hey
are given all the veterinary are given all the veterinary
care necessary.

BUT now - and here is the clincher - there are a few res-
cues that are purchasing those puppy mill puppies telling people that they have rescued
them. You don't rescue these puppies - they have to be purchased. So this is not rescuing as we know it. Sometimes the
adults can be and adults can be and are rescued
and this is wonderful. They deserve to be given a chance to know what love is.
This sounds harsh but thi puppy mill breeding has got to come to an end soon and if someone doesn't let the truth out and say something then
they are just going to keep pumping these puppies out by
the hundreds. the hundreds. There are There are enough dogs and
puppies in the shelters all across this country and more than half are dying because there are not enough people
going in to adopt them. These are the dogs that they should be pulling out or rescuing and preparing them to be going to
their forever homes. If you want a dog or a puppy, purebred or mixed, go to a shelter. They have many dogs
waiting for their forever waiting for their.forever
home. Go to the rescues in your area. They have great dogs that are also waiting for
a new home. But just be sure a new home. But just be sure
that they are not adopting out puppy mill puppies. Do your research, because they will tell
you that those puppies were you that those puppies were
rescued.
We are never going to get
the puppy mills closed down
if people don't stop buying the if people don't stop buying the
puppies. This is the quickest puppies. This is the quickest
way the mills are going to fail. Don't support any of those
stores that stores that sell puppies and then maybe we can get them
to close also. Please help these poor suffering dogs. Barbara Ann Gondich



## Bum knee shelves Terek's Olympic Games quest

BY BRAD EmONS
OBSEVVER SPORTS WRIER Livonia decathlete Paul Terek
will be driving up to will be driving up to Eugene,
Ore. for this weekend's USA Ore. for this weekends USA
Track and Field Olympic Trials, but he'll be strictly a spectator.' The Franklin High grad's
quest to make his second Olympic team and earn a trip to Beizing, China for the 2008
Summer Games has been way-

IAAF World Track and Field Championchips, noti-
fied USATF officials late some left knee,
which required surgery in early
March for a March for a
torn lateral torn lateral Teratch. $\quad$ Terek, who trains year-round meniscus. in San Luis Obispo, Califf, was
The 28$\begin{array}{ll}\text { year-old Terek, } & \begin{array}{l}\text { considered a favorite again to } \\ \text { garner one of the three U.S }\end{array} \\ & \end{array}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\begin{array}{ll}\text { year-old Terek, } \\ \text { who finished }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { garner one of the thre U.U.S. } \\ \text { Olympic Team decathlon spots. }\end{array}\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\begin{array}{c}\text { who finished } \\ 21 \text { Ist in the 2004 Summer }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Olympic Team decathlon spots. } \\ \text { But after testing his bother- }\end{array} \\ \text { Games in Athens Greece }\end{array}$ Games in Athens, Greece
and has competed in three
in nearby Atas
ed to pull out. $\qquad$ if it was my right leg it might
have been different" said Terek have been different," said Terek,
a former Big Ten track and field a former Big Ten track and field
standout at Michigan State. standout at Michigan State.
"And if I can't put 100 percent
into it and
I'm limping I can"t "And if I can't put 100 percent
into it and m 'm limping, I can't
beat half those guys. It affects beat half those guys. It affects
my performance because. I can't my performance because I can't
drive my leg, push or sprint, so
I'm officially out." I'm officially out."
Terek's last competition was $\overline{\text { Please see TEREK, B4 }}$

## Clarenceville

 star Stewart opts for EMUBY BRAD EmoNS
OBSERVER SPORST WMIIER
Livonia Clarenceville's Jamie Stewart is committed to bringing the Eastern Michigan
University men's basketball back into the limeUniversity men's basketball back into the lime-
light. light.
The program that produced the likes of George
Gervin, Grant Long and Earl Boykins got a verbal commitment last week from the
6 -foot-4, 180 -pound swingman,
who averaged 22.4 points and 6.2 rho averaged 22.4 points and 6.
rebound per game last season
for the 18-3 Trojans for the 18-3 Trojans.
Stewart, expected to sign in
November, is the Eagles first November, is the Eagles' first
commitment for the 2009-10 commitment for the 2009-10
recruiting class. He can play
either the two either the t
position.
position.
Stew Stewart made his decision after Clarenceville
completed a weok pus. Stewart played his last two games an camcourt of the 8,000 -seat EMU Convecation Center court of the 8,000 -seat EMU Convocation Center.
II was real comfortable with the coaching staff and I had a o good relationship with the players," Stewart said. "Theyre a good bunch of guys.
Guys like Justin Dobbins
Cleveland, Ohio and Guys like Justin Dobbins (Cleveland, Ohio) and Brandon Bowdry (Taylor Truman), were friend
we talk on the phone. t t's the best fit for me becauseit's not too far and not too close to home. My family and friends and can come and watch
me play. Stewart also had offers from two other MidAmerican Conference schools, Central Michigan
and Bowling Green, but decided to head to and Bowling Green, but decided to head to Ypsilanti where he plans to study business. EMU
finished 14-17 last season under second-year coach Charles Ramsey.
"could have waited, but I didn't want to drag wanted to focus on school, my season, and my grades." Stewart, who honed his game as a youth in his old Detroit neighborbood at Rosemont Park near Schoolcraft and Wyoming), plays during the
summer months for the 17 -and-under REACH Legends, an AAU squad which features Detroi Pershings Keith Appling and Dion Sims. I' working on being a team leader, improve my bail-hand"ing and being in the weight room Stewart, earned Class B All-State honors a year ago while shooting 54 percent from the floor,
including 39 percent from three-points range, along with a 75 percent free throw average. The first-team All-Observer pick led the Trojans to an outright Metro Conference title before being
ousted by Detroit Renaissance in the Class B dis-
trict tournament.
"It's a good fit for Jamie because he can go inues to work hard," Clarenceville coach Corey McKendry said. "He's been to a few of their open gyms and he likes the facilities and likes the play ers. They have some good young players. He feels can win there and play right away ob, especially (assistant) Carl Thomas. Jamie played the same position (as Thomas), who played in the NBA. J.
Ramsey a lot."


Hole-in-one club The Strategic at
Fox Hills in Plymout Fox Hills in Plymouth
recently produced a recently produced a
pair of hole-in-ones. On June 22, Mitzi Saunders, 40 , of Plymouth, used a 9-
iron to ace the 117-yard iron to ace the
No. 16 hole. Thomas Laichalk, 70, of Livonia, used a
9 -iron to ace the $105-$ yard No. 10 hole on June 19 . P-C-S lacrosse players honored Three members of
the Plymouth-Cantonthe Plymouth-Canton-
Salem girls lacrosse team earned All-State honors recently at the
Michigan Woments Lacrosse Coaches Association honors meeting.
Lady Warrior Stephanie Matusiak was named to the second team Division 1
All-State Al-State contingent
while her teammates - Kate Spangler ${ }_{\text {and Kaytlin Moore }}^{\text {and }}$ - honorable mention accolades. The trio played in the state AllStar game, which wa
held June 14, at Ann Arbor Pioneer High School.
The Lady Warriors placed thiyd in the nine-team All East Central League. 'PC Pride crowned The PC Pride 12U, Stars slow-pitch sof ball team placed first Storm USSSA World Series qualifier held
June $20-22$. It was an June $20-22$. It was an team defeated the PCSenkbeil team, 4-0, in the championship game. eight games in less than 48 hours., allow ing just 16 runs. Th
effort earned the Stars a berth in the USSSA World Series at Disney's Wide
World of Sports in July. The team consists of: Aubrie Cragg,
Megan Webster, Kaitlyn McIntosh, Elliott Mitchem, Elaine Gerou, Katy Meade, Jessica Webster, Lauren
Hayes, Shannon Hayes, Shannon
Watson and Case Bias. The team was coached by Kevin Bias

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State champion Cougars set the standard

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| it. In her fourth year as a sity starter, she went $28-3$ |  |
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| "Hallie's had an incredible reer at GC and is finally getgher due," said Cougars' ad coach Barry Patterson. |  |
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| Patterson. |  |
| ibited both on and off the d. Her passion for the game her commitment to win- |  |
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| into a key role on the va softball team in 2009. |  |
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| base percentage of 585 |  |
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| Taylor led the Patriots in eight offensive categories including hits, bunt singles, walks, runs, doubles, homers batting average and stolen bases. <br> Defensively, Taylor threw |  |
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| and accurate throwing arm, |  |
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| y practice and game with sitive attitude and high gy, ready to compete." |  |
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A three-year varsity player,
Pitcole earned first team AllPitcole earned first team All-
WLAA honors after hitting .390 with an on-base percent-
age of 483 . She also led the age of. 483. She also led the team in walks and compiled
four home runs and 17 RBI . four home runs and 17 RBI.
"Emily is a very patient batter and is a power hitter," said
Southerland. "She's the only Southerland. "She's the only
player on the team who was player on the team who was
back in her position from the previous season. She calls
pitches and blocks the plate very well.. She has a strong
arm, a quick release and was arm, a quick release and was
our offensive MVP.,
 Ladywood: The senior first
baseman earned All-Catholic League and All-Observer first team honors for the second straight year after batting. 418
(46-for-110) with five triples, (46-for-110) with five triples,
seven doubles, 29 runs scored $\underset{\text { and } 24 \mathrm{RBI}}{\text { Abramoski }}$
Abramoski also had a slug-
ging percentage of .573 and an ging percentage of .573 an
on-base average of 496 . "Alyssa is a tremendous hit-
ter," Ladywood first-year coack ter," Ladywood first-year coach
Scott Combs said. "She hits with powers, slapped, and produced runs all year long. She was a captain and will be very
difficult to replace." Briauna Taylor, Jr., $S S$, Liv. Franklin: The junior shortstop
batting .518 (59-for-114) en
 honors
The first-team All-oberver repeat selection had 11 doubles
and four triples, along with 26 runs and team, best 33 RBI.
Taylor had an on-base pere Taylor had an on-base percent-
age of 545 along with 21 stolen age of .5
bases.
$\begin{gathered}\text { Defensively, Tryylor finished } \\ \text { with a team-best } 87 \text { assists to }\end{gathered}$ with a team-best 87 assists to
go along with 67 putouts. ${ }^{\text {g }}$ "Briauna has great range and soft hands at shortstop,"
Jimenez said. "Her athletic Jimenez said. "Her athletic
ability on offense and defense is unbelievable. Briauna is a
pleasure to coach, she's a good listener and a positive role
model for her peer She also wodel for hery hard in the offseason to improve her softball skills and physical condition.
Christina Seward, Sr., . S . Caristina Seward, Sr., SS, always-smiling Seward brought the "heart of a Cougar" to the 2008 D1 champs. She starte
the season willingly moving the season willingly moving
from second base (where she was a three-year starter) to shortstop and played it flaw-
lessly, earning the team's Gold lessiy, earning
Glove award.
Seward, a four-year starter
on varsity chipped in with on varsity, chipped in with
plenty of determination, leadplenty of determination, lead-
ership and a a . 327 batting average. For her efforts, she was
named to the All-Mega Red and All-District teams.
"How appropriate was it How appropriate was it for in the state championship,"
Patterson sia." "er experi-
ence and hustle on the bases ence and huste on runs and are
led to many extra rus and rivaled by very few players in
the state." the state."
stacey Klo
Plymouth: Only a sophomore, Klonowski filled the No. 3 slot
in the Wildcats' batting order in the Wildcats' batting order
admirably, hitting .561 with eight home runs. She was voted to the All-WLAAA first team. erhouse," said Plymouth coach erhouse," said "Plym,'uth coach
Val Canfield. "She's someone you really want at the plate when your team really needs
a run. Shes not only talented a run. She's not only talented
athletically but academically ${ }^{\text {as well, as she has a } 4.0 \text { grade- }}$ point point average."
Kristina Susalla,
Crity "'Sustina Susalla, Sr, St, 3B, Garden team player,") Patterson said. "1
think if you lok up think if you look up the word
coachability in the dictionary coachability in the dictionar
her picture would come up her picture wount beside it."
rigall
Susalla, the senior class valedictorian who is hopeful of
walking on to the Wayne State
University softball team batUniversity softhall team, , bat-
ted .419, slugging six dobbles ted. 419, slugging six doubles,
two homers and driving in 32 runs. She earned selection to the All-State, All-Mega Red,
All District and All-Region teams.
Many of
Many of her hits were in key
situations, none bigger than a game-tying single with two out in the seventh against Lincoln
Park in the D1 state regional
semifinal. Meanwhile, she
made just two errors all season.
"Her workmanlike approach made just two errors all season.
"Her workmanlike approach
and her calm yet confidident demeanor was a stabilizizing
influence on us all," the coach added.
Amanda Burnard, Soph., 3B, Amanda Burnard, Soph., 3B, Plymouth: Burnard batted
clean-up for a reason for the clean-up for a reason for the
District champion Wildcats.
The sophompe in District champion Wildcats.
The sophomore is armed with
explosive power, which is explosive power, which is mir-
rored by her four home runs, .420 batting average and .535 on-base percentage. The All-
Western Division player is Western Division player is
also a stellar fielder at the hot
corner. corner.
"Amanda is like a vacuum
at third base" said Canfield at third base," said Canfield.
"She's also a very good catcher,
but a knee injury prevented he from piaying behind the plate this season. She was our clean
up hitter, so she provided us with alo of of pore:"
Christina Parsons, Jr, of, Sale Christina Parsons, Jt, OF, Salen Ali-W LAA and All-District
honors during her third year on honors during her third year on
the earsity squad. She hit. 325
with an on-base percent with an on-base ercentage of
.389 and she led the Rocks in .389 and she
stolen bases. "Christina is a great team,
player she's very coachabe" player; she"s very coachable,"
said Southerland. "She covers a lot of ground in center field,
has has great range and is a great
communicator on the field." communicator on the field."
Amy Bondy, Sr., OF, Plymouth: Amy Bondy, sr, of, flymouth:
Bondy was the catalyst of sev-
eral important rallies for the eral important rallies for the
Wildcats during her season Wildcats during her season
She was voted the team's MVP She was voted the team's Mo
after hiting. 402 with an on-
base percentage of 502 and a atter hitting. 402 with an on
base precentage of. 502 and a
fielding percentage of 958 .
"Amy puts "Amy puts everyything she ha
into the game," said Canfield.
"Shes into the game," said Canfield.
"She's someone the opponents
could never figur could never figure out becaus
she could hit it hard or lay she could hit it hard or lay
down a nice bunt. She has a grade-point average and will be attending the University of
Michigan-Dearborns honor Michigan-Dearborn's honors
college in the fall." Miranda Rysdorp, Jr, of, Canton:
Rysdorp enjoyed a spectacular Rysdorp enjoyed a spectacular
season for the youns Chiefs, season for the young Chiefs,
hitting 430 with a four home hitting . 430 with a four hom
runs.
She was also a solid outShe was also a solid out-
fielder, robbing several oppo-
nents of hits this past spring nents of hits this past sping.
Her efforts earned the junior Her efforts earned the junior
All-WLAA first team honors
Kelsey Weekiey, Sr., At-Large Kelsey Weekiey, Sr., At-Large,
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play softball at Alm College,
capped play softball at Alma College,
capped off an excellent prep
career by batting career by batting 438 with 10
doubles and four homer runs doubles and four homer runs
and also striking out 229 bat and also striking out 229 bat-
ters in 131 innings of pitching
The trice The tri-captain and fourth-
year varsity player was named year varsity player was named
to the All-Mega White, AllDistrict and All-Region teams. "Kelsey has been the heart
and soul of the team since and soul of the team since I've
come aboard," said Panthers' come aboard," said Panthers' has been of the leaders on
our team in all aspects of the our team in all aspects of the


Amanda Bur
Plymouth


Barry Pattersont
Garden City
Coach of the Year
Kelsey Weekley
Redford Union

COACH OF THE YEAR
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COACH OF THE YEAR
Barry Patterson, Garden City: were there (finals) back in 1991
and felljust short. As a coach, Cou cougars, Patterson does not
seek out the limelight. But it had no other chooice butt to find him after Garden City's Hallie
Minch-led varsity girls softball Minch-led varsity girls softbal
team went $32-6$ and won the first athletic state champion-
ship in the history of the hig ship in the
school.
"What an incredible ride it's been," said Patterson, who surpassed the 500 -victory platea
for his career this season. "I couldn'thave even imagined the feeling of jubilitaion and
satisfaction that he concluin satisfaction that the conclusion the
att
of the season would bring We ou never know if you'll ever
get that chance again, thankget that chanc
fully we did."
Patt
$\qquad$ he championship. He praised assistant coaches Chuck Drewicz, Al Russell, Mark emphasized that plenty of supDropp, parents and staff mem Srs were instrumental.
"Let's not forget those 16 gifted players who are truly the ones responsible for it all,"
Patterson concluded "Thank the ones responsible for it all,"
Patterson concluded, Thank
you girls!"

## Madonna baseball coach adds duo from John Glenn

Madonna University baseball
coach Greg Haeger announced coach Greg Haeger announced
the signing of eight student--
athletes Wednesday including athletes Wednesday including a pair of players from Westland ohn Glenn. The defending Wovverine-
Hoosier Athletic Conference champions have addeder righthanded pitcher Robert Fraser and Chris Kangas, who is a
first baseman and left-handed
pitcher, both from Glenn.
Also in the fold for the Also in the fold for the 2009
season are a pair of transfers from Jackson Community College - infielder Tim Duffy
(Carleton Airport) and right(Carleton Airport) and right
handed pitcher Jeff Mann (Waterford Kettering). Rounding out the list is
Brian Diroff, a infielder-p. Brian Diroff, a infielder-pitcher
from Allen Park Cabrini. Tom Hansen, a left-handed pitcher
from Rochester Adams; D.J.
Jaglois, an outfielder from Jaglois, an outfielder from
Birmingham Groves; and Spencer Sarel, a infielder-pitcher from Brighton.
"I think we heve
In
"I think we have added a lot of talent with this group of
student-athletes," Haeger said. "These players, along with what
we have returning will make we have returning, will make
up what our staff hopes is a very
strong up what our staff hopes is a very
strong and talented team that can help us defend our WHAC titles from 2008 ."
Last year MU captured both
the regular season and WHAC Last year MU captured both
the reguar season and WHAC
playofftitles winning 37 games, playoff titles winning 37 games,
the most since the 2005 squad which posted 40 wins.

Robert throw a week ago and
he was hitting 85 -to- 88 miles he was hitting 85 -to- 88 miles
per hour on the gun, which is per hour on the gun, which is
something that is real exciting for us," Haeger said of the All-Lakes Division pick. "He's
a young man that played under a young man that played under
one of my former assistants in one of my former assistants
Tom Wakefield at Glenn.
"Robert has an "Robert has a n opportunity
to come in and d some to come in and do some grea
things with the amount of pitching we lost due to graduation.""
Kangas, who missed almost Kangas, who missed almost
half of his senior season with a
dislocated elbow, earned four dislocated ellow earned four
baseball letters at Glenn. He baseball letters at at Glenn. He
was the Rockets' most valuable
defensive player as a a sophomore
nd team MVP as a junior. nd team MVP as a junior.
As a junior, he posted a 2.56 As a jumior, he posted a 2.56 school record with 125 at-bats,
ncluding six doubles. including six doubles.
"Chris really had to gut out this year after dislocating his right elbow," Haeger said.
"He is unique in that he is a "He is unique in that he is a handed thrower. Our thoughts on staff here are that we want
to see Chris become a first to see Chris become a first
baseman. We look for him first to g. get healthy and get his swing back so that he can
drive the ball the way we know


# Summer's bounty 

Take advantage of fresh produce to eat for health
by LINDA ANN Chomin Summer is a great time to start eating for health by tak ing advantage of the season's loaded with vitamins, and 90 percent water. Increasing fluid intake is months of the year. Registered dietitian Gail Posner suggests eating hydrating foods in water. Blueberries and cherries are coming into season as is kale, which Posner says is a powerhouse
tiog-wise.
TThe fresher the fruits and vegetables are the more nutri tious it is," said Posner, who
sees clients at Healthy Ways Nutrition Counseling in West Bloomfield. "This is a good chance to go to your local
farmers (market) but cook them right away. Don't let the sit in the fridge for a week. You have to consume them right time to grill vegetables, mush rooms, portobello, zucchini, rooms, portobelo
eggplant, brocol
asparagus." While grilling is a good way
to make sure your family gets
 or burnt food can be hazard-
ous the health due to carcinogens and bacteria such as E .
coli and salmonella. The US. coli and salmonella. The U.S.
Department of Agriculture Department of Aising only
recommends eating ground beef and hamburger patties cooked to 160 degrees Fahrenheit. Eliminating
the pink color in meat is not enough.
Use a meat thermometer and separate cutting boards, uten
sils and dishes for raw meat fish and poultry. After cookin keep hot foods hot, at least 140
degrees. degrees.
For more information, call (800) 535 - 4555 or visit www. "If it burns cut it off," said Posner. "Eat the leanest cuts
of meat with words ending in loin and flank steak. Trim the fat off. Half your plate should
be vegetables. Look out for be vegetables. Look out for
hot dogs which are high in fat. Don't assume turkey burgers
are low in calorie. Most veggie burgers are fine."
Posner has a word of warning about drinking empty calories as well. Instead of
drinking sodas and sugary drinking sodas and sugary
lemonade, go for vitamin wate
which is half the lemonade, go for vitamin water
which is half the calories. And


## Donate blood during the critical post-holiday drive

| From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday July 7, the American Red Cross will once again hold a critical post-holiday blood drive for businesses and residents in the Farmington Freeway Industrial Park area at the Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites located off of the southbound M-5 Service Drive. To schedule an appointment, call (517) 545-7712 or sign up online at www.givelife. org and enter the sponsor code FARMFWYINDPK. <br> Summer is an especially difficult time to collect the 900 units of blood needed daily to fulfill the requirements of hospitals in southeastern Michigan. Platelet have a shelf life of only five days and are necessary for treating |
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During the summer months, of accident victims and newborn there is a significant decrease
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Demand for blood spikes in the Summer since travel and out-
sut door activity-related accidents. Tion, the Red Cross will be giv-
increase: A person injured in a $\begin{array}{ll}\begin{array}{l}\text { Increase: A person injured in a } \\ \text { serious car crash may require }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { ing } \$ 8 \text { Cedar Point coupons to } \\ \text { any one attempting to donate. }\end{array}\end{array}$ serious car crash may require any one attempting to donate
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wand so I could erase all the pain yourre feeling. Monica fution Breaking up with someone on the wrong side of the break-up. It's very normal to feel sad, angry, frustrated and alone. Those feelings can last along time -that work out your anger and frustration is to punch pillows instead of walls (ouch!), or throwice cubes in the shower (curtain/door
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the bathroom).
Yourre friends don't understand completely because this didn't happen to them. They
can't know exactly how youre feeling or can' know exactly how yourre feeling or
why youre feling it. But its important to surround yourself with friends who care about you. They may not totally understand,
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there for you and listen to you when you need there or you and disten to you when youneed
to alk, Plus, being with friends will keep you (andy your mind) busy so youll have less time
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days will pass by without thinking about dim. And after that, weeks will pass by. Give yourself time. As for trying to like other guys, stop trying! You haven't met the right guy
if you have to try so hard. When the right if you have to try so hard. When the right
one comes along, youlll know it. It will feel normal, natural and easy to like him!
I'm 17 and I have a boptriend who Is older than me (he's not in high school anymore). My parents
are fine with 1 and all, it's just Ihate when other ape ine e with titand ali, its just hate when other Fed Upin
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The simple answer is - Yes! Aslong
as your parents are supportive of this as your parents are supportive of this
relationship and he treats you with respect there shouldn't be a problem. At 17, you are an adult in the eyes of the criminal law, so
be careful not top be careful not top put yourself in situations
where you don't belong. For example, fifyour where you dont belongs For example, ifyour
boyfriend is 21 and is able to drink a acohol legally, make sure you make the choice not to join him. At 17, you will be ticketed a If this guy does not treat you well, people maybe looking at you funny because they don't understand why you would put up
with someone who treats you poorl. Just with sombeone who treatways do what's best for you and to always make choices that have positive consequences. After that, it doesn't

Over the past few weeks, my friend has drinking acconol alot. He enas been constantly drinking every day before and a atter school and he
is alwars drunk to the popint that 1 can't even bring him over to my house. I haven't really seen much of him but thenelido, heis is awways drifnking and Ithnk he is becoming an a accoholic. Do you have any advice
that 1 coutt use to hepp set my triend straltgt and help him to stop drinking al the time? Concermed in
Garden Cly
It sounds like you friend is in real trouble with alcohol. Underage drinking is a serious problen, not just in our area, but across the nation. Recently, there have been two dead
car accidents in our area involving minors and alcohol. It is so sad to see young lives ended because someone under the age of 21 chose to drink, not to mention drink and
drive. Iencourage you to get help from adult you troust. Teens can become addicted to alcohol in less than 12 months. Yes, that's right, Isaid less than one year. years and years and years before becoming an alcoholic. Not true, especially for teens. Don' wait to get your fiend some help. Takk with an atuut and ask them to help
you meet with your friend's parents so you can tell them what's going on Hopefully his parents will see that their son is in trouble and will seek out help pat alocal Chemical
Dependency Treatment Program. Please, Dependenccy Treatment Program. Pease,
don't wait I don't want to see another report about one of our local teens dying in an

Monica Fulton is the supervisor of the Family Resource
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Transplant games celebrate organ donation
BY LINOD ANN CHOMIN
O\& ESTAFF WNITER
Sherry Johnson is happy jus to be able to compete in the Transplant Games July 11-16, in Pittsburgh as part of Team Michigan. Two years ago it wa mail box of her Farmington Hills home because of cardiomyopathy. At age 35, she she had any hope of raising her woo sons, Nicholas, now age 8 , and Hayden, age e. after entering University of Michigan Hospital, Johnson meceived a heart. Shell foreve be grateful to Sue Levickas
and her family for donating he woman's heart and is riding in the games in their honor own mother and brother, both who were heart transplant ecipients. Johnson's mother, Sharon Jahns, was the first
successful heart transplant at
the Mayo Clinic in 1982 and
died a year later. Her brother died a year later. Her brothe
Jim Jahns died waiting for his second transplant 10 years after receiving his first hear
That's why the games That's why the e ames are
so important. The National Kidney Foundation hosts the bi-annual event to raise aware-
ness about the need for organ ness about the need for organ
donors. Johnson is especially grateful to her donor family who turned a a tragic situation
into a gift tof life into a gift of life.
"It is a competition granted but that's not what it's all about," said Johnson who
played basketball, volleyball played basketball, volleyball
and ran track at Stevenson High School in Livonia. ${ }^{\text {I }}$ now do something for an hour
every day, a 10 mile bike ride every day, a 10 mile bike ride
today, another day I run up today, another day run up
and down on the bleachers at Farmington High School. I belong to a gym and go 4 to 5
times a week in winter. These are things I couldn't do. ${ }^{\text {ane }}$ The games are a celebration with everyone of the hug
miracle of organ donation

Farmington Hills resident Sherry Johnson (right) and fellow Team Michigan mermber Tim Cussatis share a arrief training session together as the two
prepare for the upcoming transplant competion.


Julie Baeten, who donated á kidney to her brother, talks with Sherry


## Peace Corps volunteer happy to be home in Livonia

By LINOA ANN CHOMMN
O\& ESTAFF WHITER
Lindsay Dolin is glad to be home after serving 27 -months in Thailand as a Peace corps volunteer. While she misses the is glad she doesn't have to worry about staying cool and dry during the hot and rainy seasons, or warming herself with a hot water heater in winter. The 24 -year o-
Livonia woman lived in a concrete building that was formerly a shop. Her meals consisted mainly of sticky rice and noodles and traveling 1 1/2
Still Dolin enjoyed helping the students
learn English even though life was very different in Southeast Asia. Dolin lived in
he northernmost province of Thailand the northernmost province of Thailand nirthay ay ine received four yards of hand-
bor woven fabric which she took to the village One living room chair is covered with the utfits. Every village has their own style. The pasin or skirt is stepped into and the
"Two years is definitely good to see both sides of the coin. The first nine months what it's really like," said Dolin you see
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Lindsay Dolin and her students at one of the schools in Thailand.


Salon volunteers to cut hair for good cause


Sunday and other girls in the salon are help－ ing out so 100 percent goes to the walk＂，said lot of help from the girls here from cookies to muffins to bars．
The bake sale runs 9 a．m．to 4 p．m．Friday，
July 18，and 9 a．m．to 3 p．m．Saturday July 18 ，and 9 a．m．to 3 p．m．Saturday，July 19 ．
While the salon has held hair cuttings and bake sales before，for this year＇s walk one of their nawest events is a golf fouting 8 a．m．Sunday，
Aug． 10 ，at the Fox Creek course on Seven Mile Aug．10，at the Fox Creek course on Seven Mile
in Livonia．The cost is $\$ 100$ per person． Theyre also selling pink bracelets they made with Swarovski crystall for $\$ 20$ at the salon．
＂Weve done a denim day．Once a month the ＂We＇ve done a denim day．Once a month the Lewis．＂＂Every two months we do a different
raffle．＂ raffle．
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Forum Speaker
tric Bacyinski of Plymouth served as the opening speaker at the
recent Michigan Undergraduate recent Michigan Undergraduate Research forum，a showcass of
student research projects held at the State Capitoi in Lansing．Five universities participate－U－M－Dearborn，U－M－Ann Arbor，UM－M－Fint， Wayne State and Michigan State－with each shhool sponsoring
uip to 10 of its students．The haff day event features certificates up to 10 of its students．The haff－day event features certificates
presented by state legislators to the student participants．Bacyinsk spoke to a crowd of some 70 peopite，which included multiple state representatives；$U-M$ administration and students from all over the
state，about the importance role that undergaraduate research plays state，about the importance role that undergraduate research plays
in influencing public policy in our state．
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Council． Girils Scout of the Huron Valley Council
has a variety of exciting programs at Camp Linden， 400 minimadily yevele． oped acres of woodand in northern
Livingston County．Kayaking swim－ ming，exploring natur，sports，horse back riding and arts and crafts－all These experiences and more await
at Camp Linden this summer． All giris can an attend，whether they have been Ciris Scouts or not．To enroll your Learn to go Beyond War
The Livonia－based Citizens for Peace， which covers the entire 11 lth $D$ District， invites residents the chance to join in study－discussion groups on the topic，
Beyond War，during its June and July meetings．Using a study guide，the topic will be discussed in four group sessions each meeting．II Juyty，the
topics focus on a aternatives to war， such as ionviolent conficict resolution processes and dippropriate humanitar－ an foreion aid，international law and
cooperation between nations；practical experience bbout what people and nations can do in instead of war and applying effective advocacy．Citizens
for Peace meetings are held at $7 . \mathrm{m}_{\text {m }}$ on the second tuesday of the month at Unity of Livenia．Iocated on Five mile
road between Micdolebeltand and inster road between Middilebeet and hinster
roads，A small donation is requested oorsthe usime of the church facilitites．For detailis contact Coilleen Mills at 734 ： 425－0079．
Academic Pathways Cooperative Preschool，located d at 30 30erative Schooicraft in Livonia is currently
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## Amateur radio operators to practice emergency skills



John Mathey, K8AZT (right), operates a CW (Continuous Wave Morse code)
station with assistance from Ray Jenks, W8SXK.
FIELD DAY
What: Livonia Amateur Radio Club with the Ford Amateur Radio League participate in a nationwide field day to train operators for emergency communications
When: Continues to
Sunday June 29
Sunday, June 29
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the summer with her family - mother Mary, father Kevin, brother Derek, 16, an
ister Kieran, 19. Her married sister Laurel, 27 , lives in Bloomington, Ind. but Dolin expects to be sharing stories a
both were involved with HIV/ AIDS projects, Laurel while in Belize, Dolin in Thailand.
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with refugees or immigran populations and go back to school next year,'s said Dolin who plans to study for a Work but at the moment is working part time at Thai Basil, a new restaurant in Livonia.
Dolin was in her senior year at Michigan State University when she applied began in 1960 when Senato John F. Kennedy challenged University of Michigan students to help developing coun-
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Lindsay Dolin (lefft)
woven in Thailand.
munity development, agriculture, and HIV/AIDS awareness. Dolin served in the education program as a teacher
collaboratively developing and expanding the English curriculum with local Thai teachers. She was the only Peace Corps
volunteer in her province and learned to speak the language after arriving in the country. Molunteer in Korea in the 1960s and met his wife there. I heard their stories," said
Dolin whe earned a degree Dolin who earned a degree
in international studies and language at MSU. "We always had exchange students in ours house when I was growing up.
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me the cheese me the cheese packages from macaroni and cheese and I
bought noodles in the big city
one hour away. Saturday my into town and ride the bus into town and buy potatoes.
Thailand is the land of fruit. had fruit for breakfast, man goes. You can buy in the village a pineapple for 10 to 15
cents and it's warm from the cents and it's warm from the
sun for breakfast." While life was idyllic in some respects, Dolin was dis turbed by the conditions of
one of the schools where she one of the schools where she
taught. The 27 -year-old struc-
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needs to be replaced Dolin needs started a campaign to raise half of the \$16,000 to build the new school (www.
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## Mitsubishi delivers value with new Lancer



By Wendy Clem Avanti NewsFeatures MITSUBISHI was already living in the year
2008 in 2006 with the debut of the new Lancer, the latest in the compact sport sedans. Derived Miom its Concept-X car first introduced in 2006 , Mitsubishi detivers a vehicle meant to
convey a brand identity through unmistakable features.
From its shark-nosed front end to its enduring,
taut lines that encompass a body built like a wedge, Lancer not only creates a sharp road presence, but also focuses on safety. The comprehensive safety package comes with seven standard air bags, including Mitsubishi's
first-ever driver's knee air bag. Focusing around "next-generation" the aire, the Reinforced Impact Safety Evolution contains a unibody design that
deflects energy during impacts on the sides and deflects energy during impacts on the sides and
rear. This embellishes passenger protection as rear. This embellishes passenger protection as
well as safeguards the fuel system during a rear crash.
The unibody construction utilizes high-strength
steel, which delisers steel, which delivers a smooth ride through a
sport-oriented suspension. This is in direct contrast to any previous Lancer models, which
were less rigid were less rigid and less enjoyable overall. Mitsubishi refined the new Lancer's suspension character more commonly found in expensive European sport sedans. Three 2008 models of Lancers are available DE, ES and the sport-tuned GTS. Each is
distinguished by signature seating materials and distinguished
interior trim.
all come wit
All come with a standard 5 -speed manual
transmission that has a crisp transmission that has a crisp shifting. The 2008
Lancer is the first Mitsubishi in North America to offer an optional continuously variable
transmission -- CVT in car guy parlance -- in transmission-- CVT in car guy parlance -- in
place of a conventional automatic.
The CVT featured in the GTS model has six steps, allowing the driver to manually control the


Mitsubishi's 2008 Lancer offers savings with pricing at less
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in the city and 29 mpg in the city and 2 on the highway.

powerful and clear sound, geared specially to the powerful and clear sound, geared specially to the
interior's acoustics. It includes a $6-\mathrm{CD}$ in-dash uni with an MP3 playback option, and an audio input ack for an iPod or the like. Music travels through the nine 650 -watt
speakers located in seven positions, including subwoofer that has been secured in the Lancer' runk. The system is the most forceful factoryinstalled one in the segment.
Of course, all trims are pre-wired for SIRIUS
Satellite Radio ayailable in a Sun and Sound Satellite Radio, available in a Sun and Sound Package for ES and GTS models, where it extends a power glass sunroo perks. Equipped with Bluetooth wireless for cell phone use, it also proffers a Navigation and Technology Package for travel aid as well as music All Lancer models for 2008 come pre-wired for SIRIUS capability for popular programming. Fuel conomy is reflected in the miles to the gallon: 29 22 with the CVT feature and 21 without it. 22 with the CVT feature, and 21 with it it. Lancer offers a vehicle that goes beyond just the basics, and it can be had for less than $\$ 14,000$. At that price, who wouldn't want one of each trim?
2008 Mitsubishi Lancer Vehicle class: Compact sport sedan Power: 2.0 -liter 4-cylinder engine.
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schoolyards can be used for education as well as recreation.
The colorful display features a kid-friendly walkway surrounded by vegetable plants known as an "Edible tures a solar-powered foun tain in a pond that uses the sun's energy to circulate, the pond water, helping the
fish breathe and making it difficult for mosquitoes to
lay eggs. The Schoolhouse
Rooftop is designed to chan nel rain water to a nearby barrel, where the water is
stored for later use in the garden to give plants the moisture they need to grow. "Realtors build communi-
ties, and supporting educaties, and supporting educa-
tion is an important part of that," said NAR President Dick Gaylord, a broker
with RE/MAX Real Estata Specialists in Long Beach, Calif. "The Botanic Garden's Sustainable Schoolyard illus
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