

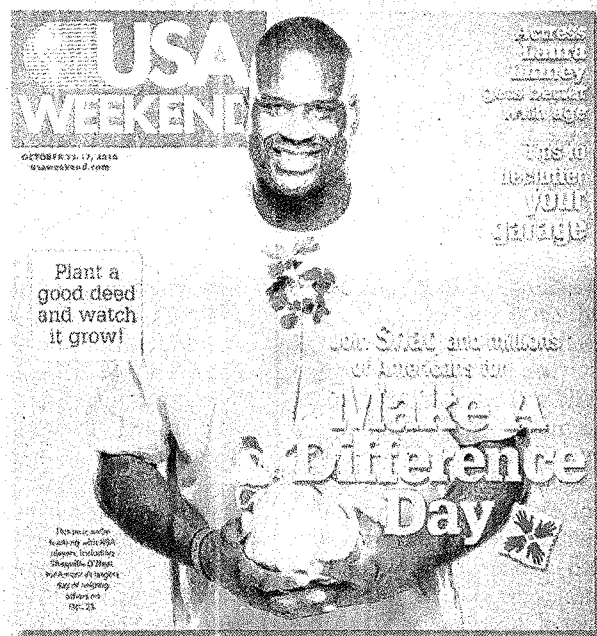
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City purchases nine patrol cars

Westland is reducing costs and staying green as nine new 2010 Ford Crown Victoria police patrol cars are outfitted to be put into service within the next three weeks.

"In an effort to reduce costs and stay green, the city of Westland will be recycling old equipment from the department's retired vehicles," Mayor William Wild said. "This is a perfect example of how our city is working to be economically efficient while providing the highest quality services to our citizens."

By reutilizing equipment, such as in-car computers, video systems and police radios from retired vehicles, the city will be saving more than \$22,000.

This also will be the last change out on Ford Crown Victorias. Ford Motor Co. is discontinuing production of the vehicle. Westland will be researching and looking for new options for patrol cars.

Pizza fund-raiser benefits fire safety

October is National Fire Prevention Month, a good time for Westland residents to check their smoke detectors and replace the batteries, if that hasn't been done this year.

For those who have a hard time remembering, fire officials recommend writing the month and year on a small piece of paper and taping it to the battery. That simple act helps ensure that next year when they open up those detectors or when the fire department conducts a home inspection, everyone will know if the batteries need to be replaced.

According to the National Fire Protection Association, approximately 33 percent of the homes in America are not adequately protected with smoke detectors, and the death rates in homes are 45 percent lower when one working smoke detector is present.

In an effort to ensure every home in Westland has working smoke detectors, the city has partnered with Toarmina's Pizza for the first ever "Pizza and Prevention Month," a win-win fund-raiser for everyone to help the fire department purchase life-saving smoke detectors for those who don't have them.

Toarmina's is discounting its giant 24-inch pepperoni pizza from \$20.99 to \$15.99 with a coupon that can be purchased from the fire department now through Oct. 23. Buy as many coupons as you like. They're valid through October 2011.

One hundred percent of the profits goes directly to the fire department to help get a smoke detector in every home in Westland. The city's goal is 3,000 pizzas, so contact Fire Capt. John Adams at jadams@cityofwestland.com to help reach the goal for life safety.



Steven and Deborah Thomas decided to answer call to ministry and give up careers in the private sector to form Forever Blessed, a nondenominational Christian ministry.

Forever Blessed

Couple trades jobs to do God's work

BY LEANNE ROGERS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Until they heard the call to ministry, Steven Thomas had a career in accounting and his wife, Deborah, was going to teach school after retiring as a research analyst.

The Westland couple, both trained as ministers at the Word of Faith Bible Center in Southfield, have formed Forever Blessed, a nondenominational Christian ministry.

"We do ministry outside of a church — in the public square. We go to the Farmers Market in Canton, to nursing homes," said Steven Thomas.

"We have a children's ministry with puppets."

As part of his ministry, Steven Thomas plays the saxophone at events such as the Nov. 12 Westland State of City address.

"He plays gospel and patriotic music, not jazz or pop music. That's what we were doing at the Farmers Market," said Deborah Thomas. "People came up to us. We had very phenomenal results."

Married since 2002, the couple met at church but had separately felt the pull toward the ministry.

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Suspect sought in string of Check 'n Go holdups

BY LEANNE ROGERS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A suspect wanted in connection with several cash advance store robberies in area communities is also wanted for robbing a Westland Check 'n Go store on Oct. 6.

"Based on the description, it's the same guy," said

Westland police Lt. Michael Matich. "He'll continue doing this until he is caught."

The Westland robbery occurred about 1:30 p.m. on Oct. 6 at the Check 'n Go store located on Michigan Avenue near Merriman. The suspect entered the business and handed a note to the teller demanding money.

"No weapon was shown or

implied," said Matich, adding the suspect fled with more than \$1,000 cash obtained from the teller.

The suspect was described as a white male in his 20s, 5 foot 6 and weighing 150 pounds.

The same suspect is being sought for two robberies within six days at the Garden

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Meeting sends out S-O-S on school funding

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The message Tom White and Mary DeYoung-Smith delivered to a group of school officials and parents Thursday evening is a familiar one for Livonia Public Schools Superintendent Randy Liepa. He only has to look at the district's bottom line to see that school funding is, indeed, going down a slippery slope.

"Public education is facing a multibillion dollar deficit down the road," he said. "It's alarming for us because we've never seen a time like

this when funding looked so bleak."

The steep step down a slippery slope was the theme of a presentation by White, the chair of Save Our Students, Schools and State, and DeYoung-Smith, president of the Michigan PTSA. The program was hosted by the Wayne-Westland Community Schools in cooperation with the Livonia Public Schools and the Wayne County Regional Educational Services Agency. The 1½-hour program focused on the problems facing K-12 edu-

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Capital firm helps city in refinancing of Taylor Towers

BY LEANNE ROGERS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Early steps to allow Westland to seek some equity from Thomas Taylor Towers are moving ahead.

The council has approved professional services with St. James Capital, which has assisted Taylor Towers with financing in the past.

The mortgage on the building was paid off in 2008. City officials want to use equity in the 266-unit senior citizen housing to provide some cash for upgrades that might be needed at the building and for other city projects, most likely some capital improvements.

Taylor Towers is owned and operated by the not-for-profit Elderly Housing Commission and managed by the Elderly Housing Services Corp., both of which have the same board of directors, chaired by City Clerk Eileen DeHart Schoof.

Responding to a question, Schoof said that a refinancing would have no impact on current or future residents of the building. Many of

the Taylor Towers residents receive rent subsidies and the building was originally financed with a federal Department of Housing and Urban Development mortgage.

Several options for generating more than a conservatively estimated \$5 million will be investigated, including HUD refinancing and low-income housing tax credits.

The annual income from rents paid at Taylor Towers is about \$308,000 and would be used to repay the loan. The EHSC management fee had built up to the \$1 million which was transferred last year to the general fund, leaving another \$1 million in reserve for the towers.

The initial costs of \$30,000 — a \$5,000 good faith deposit, \$3,000 for a physical capital needs assessment, \$15,000 for an environmental report and \$7,000 for an appraisal report — will be paid from the Taylor Towers escrow account.

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A security camera capture this photograph of a man wanted in connection with a series of robberies at Check and Go stores in Westland, Garden City, Inkster and Dearborn.

ROBBERY

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Check 'n Go store on Middlebelt just south of Ford. At least six Check 'n Go locations have been robbed or had an attempted robbery in recent weeks in Westland, Garden City, Inkster and Dearborn.

In the Garden City holdups, the suspect entered the business, produced a note stating the he had a gun and to give him the cash "quickly and calmly and I won't hurt anyone."

The Oct. 5 incident occurred at about 10 a.m. The employee told police she recognized the man from a photo as the suspect in a robbery at the Dearborn Check 'n Go store. She said she pushed the holdup alarm as the man approached the counter. The employee gave the man an undisclosed amount of money and he ran out the back door of the business.

The Monday, Oct. 11, holdup happened at about 2:30 p.m. The employee said that when

the man handed her the note, she asked if he was serious. That's when he placed his hand behind his back as if reaching for a gun, she said.

There also was an attempted holdup, also on Oct. 5, at the Check 'n Go store at Cherry Hill and Inkster Road in Inkster. That employee also recognized the suspect from a previous robbery and screamed. The suspect ran out of the store and fled.

The suspect in the Oct. 11 holdup is described as a white male, in his mid to late 20s, approximately 5 foot 7 with a thin build, sandy brown hair, acne or acne scars on forehead and right cheek.

No description of a vehicle was provided following the robberies. Information can be given to Westland police at (734) 722-9600 or by calling Crime Stoppers of Michigan at (800) SPEAK UP.

Staff writer Sue Mason contributed to this story.

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Westland man injured in pedestrian accident

BY LEANNE ROGERS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

A Westland man is hospitalized in critical condition after being struck by a car on Warren Road early Friday morning.

The 17-year-old was walking north across Warren near Yale when he was struck by a 2001 Chevrolet Impala driven westbound by a Westland woman, 45.

"Alcohol and drugs don't appear to be factor in the accident. Witnesses said he was walking casually and didn't appear to notice the traffic," said Westland police Sgt. Patrick Corby. "We don't know where he was going."

Suffering from head injuries, a broken lower right leg and abrasions, Corby said the victim was airlifted to the University of Michigan Hospital where he was in

critical condition midday Friday.

The investigation into the accident is continuing. The man was wearing dark clothing and it was dark outside as he walked in the roadway, giving the driver no chance to stop, Corby said.

The driver wasn't injured in the accident.

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BLESSED

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"I was called to the ministry in February 1999. I felt led to leave my job and go to school in Oklahoma but it wasn't the time," said Deborah Thomas, who worked 23 years as research analyst for the U.S. Marshals Service.

Originally from Inkster, Steven Thomas attended

Morehouse College in Atlanta and returned to work in his father's accounting business.

"Before we got married, I found myself drawn to the ministry. My oldest brother took over the business," he said. "In 2002, I sensed the calling, so we went to Bible school and graduated four months later."

While he still works some in accounting, Steven Thomas gets booked for musical performances largely through

word of mouth.

"It's exciting doing the work of the Lord. It's about winning souls to Christ," said Deborah Thomas. "They may never hear him play but they saw his background. I never saw myself going for this but it's what God desired."

The couple, who spent much of 2009 in Texas working at a church, hope to be pastors at a church at some point but at this time are excited about their prospects.

"I don't know what tomorrow holds but I know who holds tomorrow. You won't know the next step until you take the first step," Steven Thomas said. "It's exciting. You never know who will be on the phone when it rings."

"We left our jobs and never looked back. We've gone through some challenges but we've been blessed ever since," said Deborah Thomas.

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cation and the state, the steps that need to be taken to correct them and what concerned individuals can do to get the message to lawmakers to do something about it now.

NEED TO ACT NOW

"We need to act now to protect the future and leave our children with a better future," said White, SOS task force chairman. "Our children only get one chance at a quality education. We can't furlough seventh grade, we can't tell them they can't have seventh grade because we don't have the money."

"Things don't happen quickly," said DeYoung-Smith. "Your kids, your community need you to keep up the fight. Economic recovery is dependent on education. We can't have one without the other."

According to White, the issue is the state's poor economy, and while the legislature didn't cause it, it has done nothing to fix it. It has failed to address the core issues while using \$6 billion in one-time fixes to fill the funding gaps.

"Since the 1990s, lawmakers have cut taxes 75 times, taking some \$450 million away from the schools," said White. "We've had job losses, taxes are down in Lansing and they can't agree on a solution. They just push the problem down to the local level. Since 2000, they have failed to come to grips with the structural flaws."

Michigan currently ranks 22nd in the country in its per pupil funding and is below the national average. In 2008-09, the state took \$932 million from the school aid fund and replaced with federal money, and last year, cut the per pupil amount by \$165. For some schools receiving 20J money, loss was more like \$500-\$600, White said.

Districts received an \$11 increase in the per pupil payments this year, and it looked like the Education Jobs Bill hammered out by lawmakers would have restored the remaining \$154. However, Gov. Jennifer Granholm vetoed the bill, saying that it doesn't comply with the federal guidelines.



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According to Tom White, chair of Save Our Students, Schools and State, without restructuring, public education will have to be re-calibrated to match revenue. "What does re-calibrating mean? Cuts in programs, he said in a meeting at Wayne Memorial High School's Stockmeyer Auditorium Thursday evening.

NOT A HIGH TAX STATE

White told the audience of about 200 people that Michigan isn't a high tax state. In fact, it ranks 27th in the nation for the portion of income spent by taxpayers for state and local taxes, according to the Tax Foundation. It also ranks 17th in the country for its business tax climate.

Expanding the sales tax base will result in revenue that more closely tracks the state's economic growth. It would mirror the shift to a service economy. Currently, no tax is paid on such things as rounds of golf and theater, concert and sports tickets, which, if taxed, would cost and average of \$30-\$40 per person per year.

"This is where the growth in the economy is. Without restructuring, public education will have to be recalibrated to match revenue," White said. "What does recalibrating mean? Cuts in programs."

He also said that stopping a planned reduction in the state income tax from 4.35 per cent to 3.9 percent by 2015 would save the state \$150

million per year. A progressive income tax where those who make \$100,000 or more would pay more tax also would generate another \$500 million a year.

"K-12 and the state general funds are facing a \$2 billion hole for 2010-2011," said White. "The dam is about to break for us. We don't have a lot of options."

"The message is so simple that a third-grader can get it, but Lansing doesn't get it," White said, referring to the "School Funding from a Third-Grader" videos now being shown on the SOS website, www.sosmichigan.org.

Both White and DeYoung-Smith stressed that there are sacrifices that need to be made: Either cut the K-12 program or restructure funding. With Proposal A now 15 years old, the belief is that now is the time to revamp it.

"People are getting tired of Lansing being unresponsive, but that's how they play the game," White said. "We need to create a new funding formula that links taxes to the new economy."

DeYoung-Smith urge people to get to know their candidates for state offices and ask the hard questions: Is public education adequately funded? What they plan to do to improve funding? Do they believe school districts should get back to the 2008-09 funding level?

"Be clear about what you want for education and how you want it done," she said. "Make it personal. If they're going to cut education, make them come and see what their cutting. There's only so much schools can take. Let your legislators know what your students have lost."

Lawmakers have looked at different ways of generating taxes but in many instances caved in to criticism. One of those areas was increasing the beer and wine tax and when a question about it was raised during the meeting, former state representative John Stewart of Plymouth provided the answer.

"I was graduating from high school when they touched the beer and wine tax in 1967 and it was to reduce it," he

SOS AND THE SOLUTION

According to Save Our Students, Schools and State, over past five years (2005-10), the state's general fund has declined from \$8.8 billion to \$7.8 billion. Over the last eight years (2002-10), state spending for Corrections has risen 17.6 percent, Community Health has risen 16.3 percent, K-12 has declined by 6.8 percent, Higher Education has declined by 16.4 percent, Revenue Sharing has declined by 20.7 percent and Human Services has declined 24.7 percent.

According to SOS Michigan, the options for action include reducing costs, shifting costs, changing state spending and changing and/or increasing revenues. It's urging lawmakers to be open-minded about the solutions a mix of which those listed are a "logical and fair approach":

- Restructure state spending.
 - Review government contracts.
 - Close ineffective tax loopholes.
 - Increase employee cost sharing.
 - Change to sales tax on services.
 - Approve graduated income tax.
 - Create incentives for collaboration.
- Those that SOS supports are:
- New revenue streams for K-12.
 - Expanding local options for revenues.
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 - Increased collaboration.
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 - Examining state contracting practices.
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said. In the end, the audience was encouraged to be respectful but to continue to prod their lawmakers to make the difficult decisions and be a part of the solution.

"You all know we're preaching to the choir," DeYoung-Smith said. "You came out tonight because you're concerned about funding K-12. We're asking you to go out and sing about it, you need to share this information with parents and non-parents."

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Oakwood run attracts 1,161 runners of all ages

The Oakwood Red October Run recently reached two milestones. The event returned for its 20th year at Oakwood Annapolis Hospital (OAH) in the City of Wayne. It drew its largest crowd ever - more than 1,100 people.

"We had a fantastic turnout," said Cynthia Cook, Community Benefit Coordinator for Oakwood Healthcare Inc. Cook brought the event to the community 20 years ago and has been the main organizer of it ever since.

"We had great participation from Wayne residents and I'm really glad to see this event becoming a real community tradition," she added.

For the second consecutive year, chilly winds and an intermittent drizzle greeted the participants, but didn't dampen the spirits at the event. The final number of registered participants was 1,161, according to Cook.

"It is always a good time," said Kevin Sherwood of Royal Oak. He should know - he's run in the race every year since it started.

"It's well put-together, very organized," he said. "The weather wouldn't keep me away."

The event featured a 10K run, a 5K run or walk and a 1K children's fun run. Oakwood also provided some free health screenings and opened nearby facilities for race participants.

Cook said it attracts experienced runners and beginners alike.

The race was part of a goal come true for Rick Rod of Woodhaven. Rod, 43 and a teacher in Detroit, said he realized he needed to get in better shape earlier this year when he noticed he tipped the scales at 305 pounds. He's since lost about 60 pounds. The Red October Run was his first official race. He ran with his son, Alex, a cross-country runner in high school.

"It was a great experience,"



Youngsters take off running in the 14 and under portion of the Red October Run.

Rick said. "I'm sure we'll do it again."

The top five winners of the men's 5K run were Gavin Smith of Northville (17:05), Victor Brown of Canton Township (17:27), Steven Harris of Hazel Park (17:56), Jacob Finger of Wayne (17:58) and Ruben Maya of Westland (18:12). Jacob Finger, 14, won the top place in the 14 and younger division.

The top five women were Megan Wilson of Livonia (22:51), Alexa Keiser of Holly (22:58), Naomi Toben of Milan (23:01), Paulette Hoose of Fenton (23:10) and Kelly Collins of Newport (23:31).

In the 10K race, the top five men finishers were Vince Bechard of Dearborn (33:52), Matt Sikora of Harper Woods (37:32), Craig Dolecki of Redford (37:54), John Tarkowski of Northville (38:59) and Lee Fowler of Vassar.

The top five women were Dani Steinbacher of Ann Arbor (42:37), Kathryn Tuomi of Livonia (44:27), Ashley Unger of Trenton (45:44), Donna Olson of Canton (45:55) and Nina Hundley of Dearborn (46:24).

Lisa Rutledge, director of Community Outreach for OHI, said that 20 years after the event started, it still embodies the basic concept of family and

community.

"The Red October Run is a great way to engage everybody - from kids in the neighborhood who want to talk to elite runners," she said. "The success of the event depends greatly on the cooperation of the city, the police department, the volunteers and the staff at Oakwood Annapolis Hospital."

Cook agreed. "The event has also become a great tradition and sort of 'labor of love' for the many Oakwood Annapolis and Oakwood Healthcare System employees and physicians who out a great deal of work into the event and give up their Saturday off to provide the best event they can for runners, walkers and families," she said. "As far as the city itself goes, I have to say that it has truly been a pleasure working with the Wayne Police Department and the Department of Public Works over the course of these past 20 years. As a longtime runner, I can assure you that their professionalism and skill in providing a well marked and controlled race course has been second to none."

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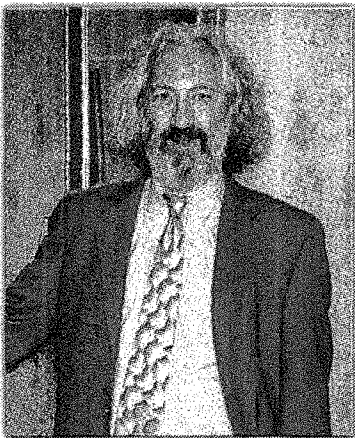
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"There's no place like home," said Selznick, "but when that can't be met Four Seasons would be their home and treated as it was their home."

Rehabilitation and nursing centers have changed dramatically since Selznick went into practice 25 years ago after a residency at Wayne State University. Back then, physicians visited patients once a month as required by law. Selznick and Dr. Jerry Wilburn, his partner at Livonia Family Physicians, changed that practice. About eight years ago they formed Continuum Geriatric Services and recently merged with InPatient Consultants (IPC), a national hospitalist.

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Make A Difference Day turns 20

Saturday, Oct. 23, marks the 20th anniversary of the nation's largest day of volunteering. Created by USA WEEKEND Magazine, Make A Difference Day is an annual event that falls on the fourth Saturday in October. The purpose is to celebrate people helping others. Millions around the country participate, helping millions more. Corporations, government leaders, charitable organizations and everyday Americans join in this effort to create lasting impact.

There are serious social problems that affect our country on a daily basis. Through volunteering, people can overcome differences and work together to help combat many of our social problems. By giving our time and energy to those in need, we invest in the future of our community and in our country. The biggest benefit to volunteering is the feeling of satisfaction knowing that one has made a difference in the lives of others. Other benefits of serving others include connecting to others and transforming our own lives.

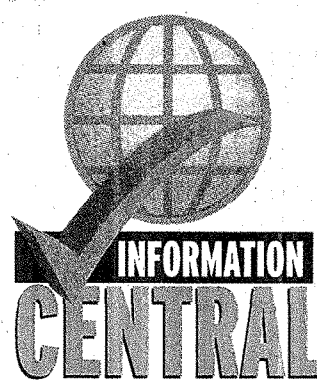
In addition to social benefits, volunteering also has many health benefits. Research has shown that people who volunteer have lower mortality rates, less depression, and lower rates of illness compared to people who do not volunteer.

To find out more about how to participate in Make A Difference Day this year, go to www.makeadifferenceday.com or www.handsnetwork.org, or more information on volunteering, check out "Volunteering: 101 Ways You Can Improve the World and Your Life" by Douglas Lawson or "Giving: How Each of Us Can Change the World" by Bill Clinton from the Library. Stop by at the reference desk, call us at (734) 326-6123, or remotely search our catalog 24 hours a day at www.westlandlibrary.org.

Highlighted Activities

Project SALUTE: Veterans' Legal Clinic, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Attention Veterans! Entitled to federal benefits? Applying for federal benefits? Fighting for increased federal benefits? Project SALUTE is a unique project sponsored by University of Detroit Mercy Law School which provides free individual legal consultations about your disability and pension matters. This program is hosted by Westland Rotary and Westland Public Library. Bring your DD Form 214, recent ratings decisions, and any other documents which will help in understanding and evaluating your federal



veteran benefit situation. Questions? Contact the library at (734) 326-6123.

Planning for College - Free resources for parents and students: 7 p.m. Oct. 18, adults and teens

Wondering what to write in your admissions essay? Nervous about asking for letters of recommendation? The library is here to help! Learn about free resources to help you start your college search. Join us for a review of books and websites designed to help you find the right school, put together applications and master the ACT and SAT tests. Students and parents welcome! Seating limited, sign-up required.

Adult Book Discussion Group: 7 p.m. Oct. 19

Join us as we discuss "Wicked: The Life and Times of the Wicked Witch of the West" by Gregory Maguire. An astonishingly rich re-creation of the land of Oz, this book retells the story of Elphaba, the Wicked Witch of the West, who wasn't so wicked after all. Taking readers past the yellow brick road and into a phantasmagoric world rich with imagination and allegory, "Wicked" just might change the reputation of one of the most sinister characters in literature. Copies of the book will be available at the Reference Desk. All are welcome.

Documentary Movie Night: "Who Killed the Electric Car?" 7 p.m. Oct. 20

Join us for a viewing of the documentary film "Who Killed the Electric Car?" In 1996, electric cars began to appear on roads all over California. They were quiet and fast, produced no exhaust and ran without gasoline. Ten years later, these cars were destroyed. This film investigates the birth and death of the electric car, as well as the role of renewable energy and sustainable living in the future. Everyone welcome.

Open Mic with emcee Dave Boutette: 7 p.m. Oct. 21

Let your muse run wild coffee shop-style with singer-songwriter, Dave

Boutette. Writers, poets, singers/rappers, bands, performers of all sorts are welcome. Sign up in advance at the Reference Desk or just show up ready to perform!

Friday Night Movie: "City Island," 7 p.m. Oct. 22

Stop by the library every Friday evening for a screening of a recently released movie. This week's movie is, "City Island," PG-13. The Rizzos, a family who doesn't share their habits, aspirations and careers with one another, find their delicate web of lies disturbed by the arrival of a young ex-con brought home by the patriarch of the family, who is a corrections officer in real life, and a hopeful actor in private. No registration is required. This is an after hours program. Library doors open at 6:30 p.m.

You're Not Out of Options - A Guide to Your Job Search: 2 p.m. Oct. 23

Facilitated by Preston Banks of Resume Solution, this workshop will help attendees uncover skills and passions that can lead them to landing a job. Each attendee should come to the workshop with information on the last three jobs they have held and what their responsibilities were.

Job Seekers Lab: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays, 5-8 p.m. Wednesdays and 1-4 p.m. Fridays.

Have a question regarding formatting your resume, setting up an e-mail account, attaching your resume to an online application, searching for a job, or any other job-related activity? Stop by the library, where computers are set up specifically for job seekers. A librarian will be available to help. Drop in. No reservation needed.

Drop-in Knitting Nights @ the Library: 7 p.m. every Wednesday. Everyone welcome, including crocheters.

Chess Group: 7-8:45 p.m. Thursdays and 1-4 p.m. Saturdays.

Like to play chess? Want to get better? Come to the library and play a couple of games. Bring your own board or use one of ours. Novices to Chess Masters are all welcome. No sign-up required.

Computer Classes are offered all year long. Contact the library at (734) 326-6123 to find out more.

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UDM's Project SALUTE

County Commission honors Carr, Perles

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BY LEANNE ROGERS
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Veterans needing legal advice regarding their benefits can get free assistance at Westland's Faust Library Monday as the Project SALUTE legal clinic makes a local visit.

The University of Detroit Mercy Law School provides free individual legal consultations for veterans regarding disability and pension matters through the Project SALUTE veterans legal clinic. The visit by the mobile Project SALUTE unit is being hosted by the library and Westland Rotary.

"This is the first time we've had the mobile unit here. A year ago, we had a professor who talked to the community about the project," said Marilyn Kwik, library adult services director. "It took us a year to get the mobile unit here — it goes to different locations."

Project SALUTE will be at the library 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in rooms A and B. Veterans needing assistance will talk with an intake person first, then meet with an attorney. The program is open to veterans seeking benefits or having problems with their current benefits.

"The attorney might not be able to resolve the issue and would need to follow up. We've had a really good response from people signing up," said Kwik. It is required that the veterans

bring their DD Form 214, recent ratings decisions and any other documents which will help in understanding and evaluating their federal veteran benefit situation.

Along with aiding veterans, Kwik said the program has another benefit — giving UDM law students a chance to get experience by volunteering their time.

Project SALUTE doesn't require advance registration for service but the library is asking veterans to sign up. The program is open to all veterans. For more information, call (734) 326-6123.

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Michigan-Michigan State football was front and center in the seat of Wayne County government as football coaching legends Lloyd Carr and George Perles were honored with Wayne County Lifetime Achievement Awards at the County Commission's full board meeting Oct. 7.

As family, friends, and former players of both coaches watched, Wayne County Commissioner Joe Palamara, D-Grosse Ile, presented each man with an award recognizing their Wayne County roots, their outstanding football coaching careers and their philanthropy and civic involvement.

Carr was introduced by former U-M football player and current radio analyst Jim Brandstatter, while Perles was introduced by the radio voice of Spartans football, George Blaha.



Football coaching legends George Perles, Michigan State University (from left) and Lloyd Carr, University of Michigan, hold Lifetime Achievement Awards presented to them on behalf of the Wayne County Commission by Commissioner Joe Palamara.

Each coach was also read a letter written to him by University of Alabama head coach Nick Saban, who cited both Carr's and Perles's influ-

ence on Saban as being significant to his success in college football.

Carr was the head football coach at Michigan from

1995-2007, and his 122 wins there rank him third all-time in school history, behind only Bo Schembechler (194) and Fielding Yost (165). His teams won five Big Ten titles, appeared in 13 bowl games, and his 1997 squad captured the National Championship.

Carr moved to Riverview, as a child and played high school football there. He coached football at Belleville High and Westland John Glenn High School prior to his time at U-M, which began in 1980 as an assistant to Schembechler.

Perles was born in Detroit and was an All-State football player at Western High School. He played three seasons at MSU under legendary coach Duffy Daugherty. His coaching career began at MSU in 1959, where he was an assistant through 1970.

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A: Sometimes there is no rhyme or reason why the IRS chooses to audit a return. The IRS uses many different formulas and programs to determine who to audit. Just because your return was selected, doesn't mean there is anything wrong with the return or that you will owe money.

The IRS does random audits to make sure people comply with tax laws. That being said, if you've completed your returns accurately there probably is nothing to worry about. The audit may be relatively routine in that you present your backup documentation to the IRS, and everything else falls into place. However, that doesn't mean you shouldn't be concerned.

Whenever the IRS wants to discuss your tax return, it is something to be concerned with. After all, you don't know



Money Matters

Rick Bloom

why the IRS is auditing your return. It could be just a relatively routine matter or it could be something more complex.

I recommend that a professional handle the audit for you. I recognize that hiring a professional is not inexpensive, however, I believe he/she is worth the money.

When called to the IRS, anyone is a little nervous — that is natural. Being nervous and not knowing the procedures and policies of an audit gives the IRS the upper hand. A professional allows you to level the playing field.

After all, professionals who have handled audits in the past typically won't be intimidated by the IRS. Also, knowing what the IRS's procedures and policies are allows the professional to properly represent you. My general advice is that anyone being audited should retain a professional.

There are three types of individuals you can consider — a tax attorney, a certified public accountant or an enrolled

agent. All generally have experience dealing with audits. However, don't make the assumption that just because someone is a tax attorney or CPA that they handle audits. In today's world, it is not unusual for a CPA to have no experience in audits. Therefore, before you hire a professional, make sure that they have experience in dealing with the Internal Revenue Service. In addition, it is important to have an understanding of their fees. Do they charge a flat rate or an hourly fee? Know this up front. Fees may be an uncomfortable conversation, however, it is important.

One last note regarding the IRS. Whenever you get a notice, don't ignore it, respond. Even if the notice to you is incorrect, it is not something to ignore.

I have found the IRS to be easier and friendlier to deal with than in the past, however, it doesn't like to be ignored. Make sure that you respond in a timely fashion.

Good luck!

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

AROUND WESTLAND

Fall Bash

The Women of Westland are hosting their Fall Bash on Saturday, Oct. 23 at Joy Manor. The cost is \$20 per ticket which includes an open bar and pizza with music by the Over Easy Band. Tickets are available at Mary Denning's Cake Shoppe, 8036 N. Wayne Road, Westland or at the door. The doors open at 6:30 p.m. with the bar open at 7 p.m. Dancing is 7:30-11:30 p.m.

Appraisal Clinic

The Westland Historic Village Park will benefit from an Appraisal Clinic, beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at the Bailey Recreation Center, 36651 Ford, behind City Hall. DuMouchelle Galleries will do the verbal appraisals, which cost \$10 per item with a maximum of three items per person. All appraisal items must be able to be carried inside the Bailey Center. Proceeds will benefit the village.

Call (734) 522-3918 to sign up for an appraisal, indicating how many items will be brought and receive an estimated time slot. Walk-ins will be accepted at the end of the scheduled appraisals.

Pumpkin sale

A Pumpkin Sale is being held at the Westland Historic Village Park through Halloween. Come purchase a pumpkin and visit the five historic buildings at the park, 857 N. Wayne Road, Westland. The sale is open 5-7 p.m. Thursdays; 1-4 p.m. Saturdays; and 10 a.m. to noon Mondays. All proceeds benefit the Historic Village Park. Call (734)-326-1110 for information.

Veterans events

A Welcome Home events for Ryan Blanchard, who will be returning from his current deployment in Afghanistan, will be held 7 p.m. to 2 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at Buffalo Wild Wings, 6677 N. Wayne Road, Westland. Blanchard is a 2009 Wayne Memorial High School graduate. His parents Ron and Lori Blanchard are both Westland John Glenn High School graduates.

The event is being sponsored by Westland John Glenn High School alumni and the Westland Veterans Association. Calendars will be on sale to benefit veterans.

For more information, contact Ken Mehl at (734) 335-7943 or Karen Rousseau at (313) 720-0583.

On Thursday, Nov. 11, the Westland Veterans Association will hold a benefit to raise money for the Westland Veterans Memorial Garden. The event will be held 4-9 p.m. at UAW Local 163, 450 S. Merriman, south of Cherry Hill in Westland.

There will be a veterans ceremony, music, beer, pizza, desserts, raffles and a silent auction. Contact Mehl at (734) 335-7943 for more information.

Time to laugh

Looking for a way to ease a little pre-holiday season stress? You don't have to look far.

The Edison PTO is inviting residents to attend A Comedy Night Out Friday, Nov. 12, at the Hawthorne Valley Country Club, 7300 N. Merriman, Westland.

Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. Professional comedic troupe Project 2 Improv will headline at 8 p.m. There will be door prizes, raffles and a cash bar. Appetizers will be available for purchase.

Seating is limited and the show is for adults only. To purchase tickets contact Mary Biber at (734) 458-2239 or by e-mail at ambiber1@att.net.

Foreclosure help

Homeowners can schedule a private 30-minute one-on-one meeting with a foreclosure counselor from the Wayne County Fight Mortgage Foreclosure Program 5-8 p.m. Mondays, Oct. 18 and 25 at the Westland Library, Central City Parkway north of Ford. Call (734) 326-6123 or stop by the library to schedule your appointment. Space is limited.

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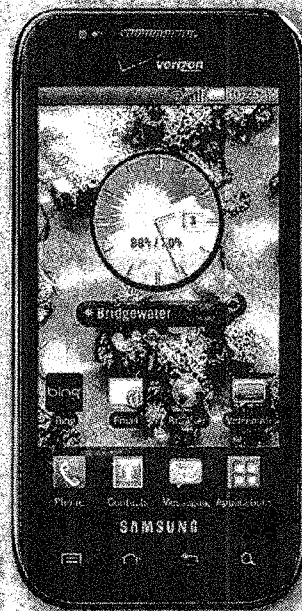
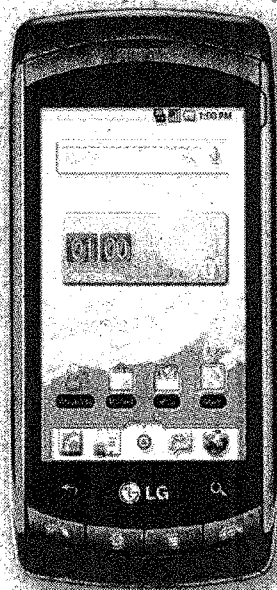
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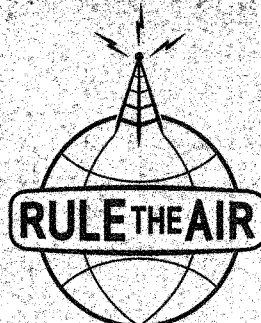
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Zack Parks of Garden City tries on the firefighters gear during his third visit to the open house

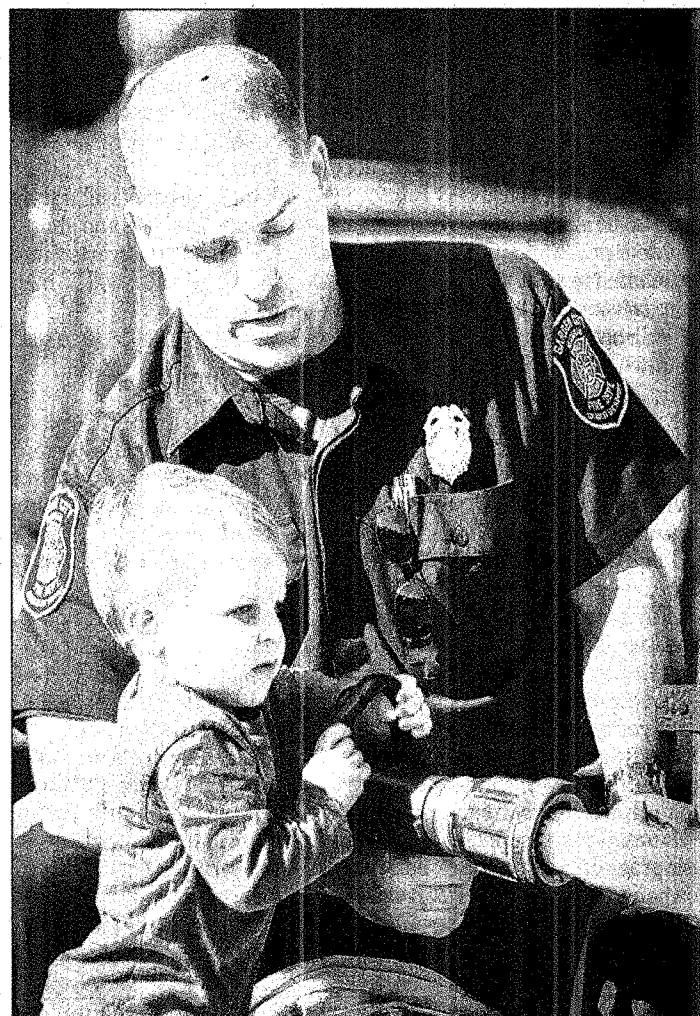
Families turn out for annual open house

It's become a tradition that attracts hundreds of Garden City families. And this year's annual open house at the Garden City Fire Station was no exception.

Firefighters and fire officials, along with Sparky to Fire Dog were on hand to meet their guests and let them try their hand at using a fire hose, site in the big rig and watch firefighters demonstrate a vehicle extraction using the department's new Jaws of Life as well as its new thermal imaging camera.

The open house is presented by the fire department and the Garden City Lions Club. Also helping was Gordon Chevrolet which gave a PlayStation3 gaming system, and nurses from Garden City Hospital who helped participants make bo-bo bunnies.

Youngsters also received Fire Prevention Week activities books, paid for by the Garden City Kiwanis Club, magnets emblazoned with the week's theme — Smoke Detectors: A Sound You Can Live With — provided by the National Fire Protection Association, and fire hats, thanks to the support of Lisa Lindbloom of State Farm Insurance, Kurth Insurance Agency and Orin Jewelers.



Two-year-old Cole Blair of Garden City tries out the fire hose with help from Firefighter Daniel P. Neault.

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GARDEN CLIPPINGS

Halloween Bash

The Garden City Firefighters Charities will be on the receiving end of proceeds from a Halloween Charity Bash planned for 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday Oct. 23, at Roma Banquets, 32550 Cherry Hill, east of Venoy, Garden City.

Tickets are \$30 each and includes food and beverages and Blackberry Brandy. There also be a best costume contest, raffle, door prizes and more. Tickets must be purchased in advance. They're available at the Garden City Fire Department on Middlebelt, north of Ford, or by calling (734) 793-1794.

Halloween concert

On Sunday, Oct. 24, Schoolcraft College's Wind Ensemble and Synthesizer Ensemble will present their annual Halloween Concert and Children's Costume parade.

The concert will be held at 7 p.m. at the Radcliff Center at 1751 Radcliff, south of Ford, in Garden City. Everyone who attends is encouraged to dress in costume and join the fun. Refreshments will follow the performances and parade.

The concert is free and open to the public. Donations will be accepted and used to provide future free concerts for the community and support the various music programs of the college. For more information, visit the Schoolcraft College website at www.schoolcraft.edu/music.

Haunted Party

The Garden City Library will hold a free children's Halloween Party at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 27, in the gymnasium of the Maplewood Community Center, 31735 Maplewood, west of Merriman, in Garden City.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library, the party will feature a night of squeals, squiggles and ghostly giggles for children in kindergarten through sixth-grade. There also will be magic, treats and prizes.

Call (734) 793-1830 to reserve a seat.

Office hours

Wayne County Commissioner Diane Webb, D-Garden City, is resuming office hours after taking a summer break. Webb represents the county's 9th District, which includes Dearborn Heights, Garden City, and Redford Township.

She will hold office hours on the following days and times:

- 9:30 a.m. the third Monday of each month at the Berwyn Senior Center, 26155 Richardson, and at 11:30 a.m. at the Eton Senior Center, 4900 Pardee, Dearborn Heights.
- 10 a.m. the fourth Monday of each month at the Redford Community Center, 12121 Hemingway, in Redford Township.
- 11:30 a.m. the fourth Monday of each

month at the Maplewood Community Center, 31735 Maplewood, Garden City.

For residents who are unable to attend daytime office hours, Webb holds evening hours at 6 p.m. the fourth Monday of each month. The locations rotate throughout her district. Call (313) 224-0930 to confirm the location of the evening office hours for the current month.

Office hours

Need to talk with Garden City Mayor Randy Walker? You'll find him Tuesdays at Garden City Hall. Walker will hold office hours 4:30-6 p.m. Residents can schedule an appointment by calling Administrative Assistant Margo Ciecierski at (734) 793-1660.

Double your donation

It's not often that an organization can offer double the bang for a buck. The good news is that the Straight Farmhouse has secured a grant that will match donations up to the first \$10,000. The program known only as "Matching Grant," is made possible by some generous donors who wish to remain anonymous.

To make a donation, or for more information, contact the Straight Farmhouse, 6221 Merriman, Garden City, MI 48135. Or call (734) 838-0650. The e-mail address is straight.farmhouse@yahoo.com.

The Friends of the Garden City

Historical Museum is a 501(c)(3) corporation.

The Friends of the Museum are continuing their fund-raising efforts, selling engraved brick pavers and renting the Grande Parlor for social and business occasions.

The bricks are \$50 for the 4-inch by 8-inch size that has up to three lines. The 8-inch by 8-inch bricks are \$75 and have room for up to six lines of text.

The Lathers General Store is open from noon to 3 p.m. Wednesdays and Saturdays, offering a variety of collectibles and gift items. Call (734) 838-0650 for more information or visit www.sfhonline.org.

Shop online

Help Garden City Schools support its staff and students whenever you shop at Amazon.com.

Simply follow the link at the bottom of the district's Web site — www.gardencityschools.com. A portion of any resulting purchases will be returned to Garden City Public Schools. Products do not cost any more by using the link, and residents don't have to do anything more than click on the link to start shopping.

Donations sought

Have a used video, book or DVD you looking to pass on? Well, consider donating it to the Garden City Library which

is looking for donations of books, videos and DVDs in good condition. For more information, call the library at (734) 793-1830.

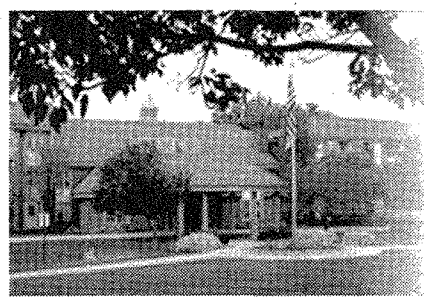
Recycle for cash

Drop off used ink jet cartridges, cell phones, digital cameras and similar items at City Hall. Garden City Charities, a group formed by city staff, sends the items off to be recycled by Cartridges for Kids and gets cash in return. Money raised by Garden City Charities benefits local organizations.

Fish Dial-A-Ride

Fish Dial-A-Ride of Western Wayne County is seeking volunteer drivers and phone messengers. Our volunteer drivers, using their own vehicles, designate days, times, and areas they are willing to drive. Our volunteer phone messengers arrange client rides with our volunteer drivers one day each week from the comfort of their home. For more information, call (888) 660-2007 and leave a message.

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Wayne County holds hazardous waste collection

The Wayne County Department of Public Services is sponsoring a Household Hazardous Waste Collection on Saturday, Oct. 23, at Downriver Community Conference, 15100 Northline, east of I-75, in Southgate.

Only household generated products from Wayne County residents will be accepted between the hours of 8 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Example of acceptable items are:

- Household paints, stains, dyes, nail polish and glue.
- Floor wax, floor care products and carpet cleaner.
- Furniture polish, bathroom cleaners, stain removers

and solvents.

- Pharmaceutical Waste (non-controlled substances only).
- Fertilizer, lawn and garden chemicals and pesticides.
- Antifreeze, motor oil and gasoline.
- Automotive batteries and dry cell batteries and all types of fluorescent bulbs.
- Fire extinguishers and smoke detectors.
- Mercury thermometers, thermostats and elemental mercury.
- Computer CPU's, monitors, printers, scanners, keyboards and mice.
- Cell phones, fax machines, copiers and televisions.

People can also bring a mercury thermometer and exchange it for a safe digital thermometer. There's a limit of one digital replacement thermometer per car.

Items that will not be accepted include commercial waste, industrial waste, radioactive material, explosives, ammunition, 55-gallon drums, shock sensitive materials, household trash, refrigerators, microwaves or other appliances, tires, yard waste and concrete.

For information on how to dispose of those items, call the Wayne County Resource Recovery coordinator at (734) 326-3936.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Railroadiana

Time/Date: noon-4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 28
Location: SS. Simon and Jude Church Hall, 32500 Palmer, west of Merriman, Westland
Details: The SS. Simon and Jude Church's Ushers Club is sponsoring sponsor a Toys and Train Show. Admission to the show is \$2 per person, \$4 per family. Food and beverages are available. There will be approximately 130 dealer tables available at \$10. Dealer set-up is at 9 a.m. the day of the show.

Contact: To reserve a dealer table, call Norm at (734) 595-8327.

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Contact: For more information, call (888) 660-2007 and leave a message.

Crafters Wanted

Time/Date: Saturday, Nov. 20
Location: Sts. Peter & Paul Church Hall, 750 N. Beech Daly, Dearborn Heights
Details: Crafters are wanted for the church's 22nd annual arts and crafts show.
Contact: For more information, call Deb Moga at (248) 946-0173 or Virginia Moore at (734) 522-9653.

Earth Angels

Details: Earth Angels, a children's entertainment/performance non-profit group composed of kids ages 9 - 16 years old, is currently looking to fill spots. There's opening for girls ages 9 - 11, with at least two years of dance experience, and boys, ages 9 - 12 with no experience needed just an interest in per-



Wish You Were Here

Lee Lubinski of Garden City and his daughter Cayce and baby Beau Asher, took time to pose with their Garden City Observer while in DeWitt, Iowa, this summer. If you go on vacation, be sure to take a picture with your Observer and send it to Sue Mason by e-mail at smason@hometownlife.com or by mail to her attention at 615 W. Lafayette, Second Level, Detroit, MI 48226. Be sure to include your name and information about your photo.

forming. The group delivers a high energy show made up of choreographed dance routines spiced with theatrics and lip-synching to the great Oldies music of the '50s and '60s as well as some current fare.

Contact: www.earthangelsontour.org or by e-mail to eangel1986@comcast.net

Higher Rock Cafe

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. second and fourth Fridays of the month.

Location: Wayne-Westland Salvation Army, 2300 Venoy, south of Palmer, Westland.

Details: Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Live bands perform beginning at 8 p.m. Admission is free, however, a free will offering will be taken to support the bands.

Contact: www.tsa.higherrockcafe.4t.com or call

(734) 722-3660

FOR SENIORS

Friendship Center

Location: 1119 N. Newburgh, Westland

Details: The Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center) offers a variety of programs for older adults.

Contact: (734) 722-7632, www.ci.westland.mi.us

Dyer Center

Location: 36745 Marquette, between Wayne Road and Marquette, Westland

Details: Offers activities Monday-Friday at the center.

Contact: (734) 419-2020

Senior Fitness

Location: Maplewood Senior Center, Maplewood west of Merriman, Garden City
Details: The Senior Fitness Room is open 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday. Annual membership is \$50 per year or \$1 for a daily pass. Aerobic classes are held 8:45-9:45 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday.
Contact: (734) 793-1870

VOLUNTEERS

First Step

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

Drivers Needed

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

VNA Hospice

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

Seasons Hospice

Details: Seasons Hospice and Palliative Care is looking for volunteers to provide companionship to patients dealing with life limiting illness. No special skills, other than objectivity and compassion, are needed. Training provided. Volunteers are matched with patients in their own community.
Contact: (800) 370-8592

Literacy Council

Details: 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.

Contact: (734) 416-4906

Details: 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.
Contact: (888) 973-1145

FOR YOUR HEALTH

Safe Place

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursdays
Location: Fellowship Hall at Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman, Garden City.
Details: A SAFE PLACE is based on the Alcoholics for Christ program.
Contact: Russ Weathers at (734) 422-1995

Adult Day Services

Time/Date: 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays
Location: 570 S Main St., Plymouth MI
Detail: A structured weekday alternative for adults in need of supervision. Program provides activities and discussions to meet social, recreational and personal needs unique to dependent individuals
Contact: Laurie Krause at laurie.lifecareads@gmail.com and (734) 956-2600

Metro Fibromyalgia

Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. Second and fourth Thursday of each month
Location: Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman, just west of Ford in Garden City
Details: The first meeting has a speaker, the second meeting is open to discuss living with our fibromyalgia.
Contact: Lucy at (734) 462-1768, www.MetroFibroGroup.com

Menopause & More

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month
Location: Classroom 2 of the west addition of the Marian Women Center of St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia
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Contact: (734) 655-1100

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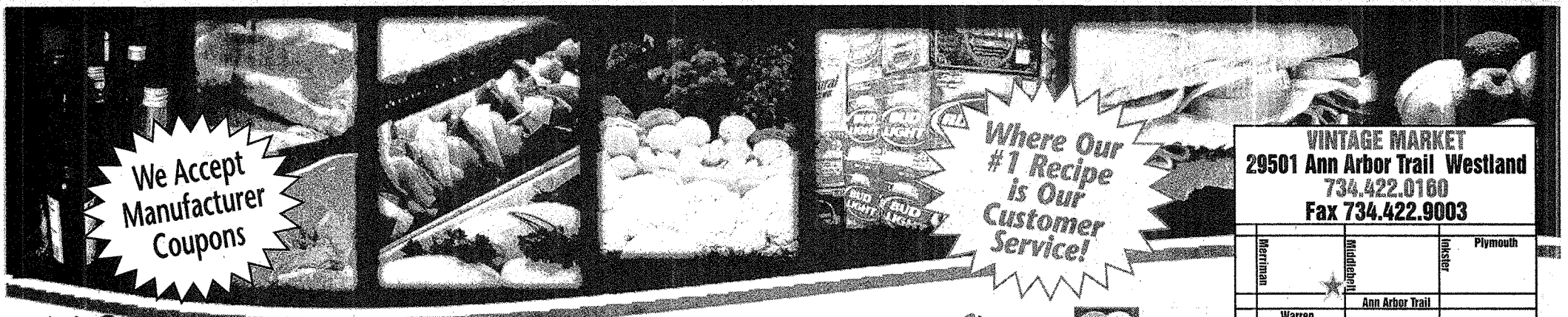
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Franklin sews up playoff berth vs. Lions, 34-28

Senior Dan Muller bulled his way for 213 yards and three touchdowns Friday night as Livonia Franklin clinched an automatic berth to the Division 1 football state playoffs with a 34-28 win at South Lyon.

The Patriots, who improved to 6-2 overall, earned their fourth straight postseason berth and fifth in six years

under coach Chris Kelbert. The last three years Franklin qualified as an at-large at 5-4.

"This is the first time since '05 that we've made our own way," said Kelbert, whose team nearly blew a 34-0 first half lead.

Franklin built a 34-point advantage on touchdown runs of 18, 80 and 4 yards by

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the 6-foot, 195-pound Muller. Senior quarterback Brent Marzion, who threw four TD passes the previous week against Livonia Churchill, also connected with Blake Lukas on a 25-yard scoring pass and with Mike Sharp on a 45-yard toss during the

first half. South Lyon (3-5), however, refused to fold, getting a 9-yard scoring run by quarterback Andrew Garcia followed by a two-point conversion to cut the deficit to 34-8 at halftime.

The Lions kept coming with 21 unanswered points as Garcia hit Joel Shekell on a 46-yard TD pass in the third

quarter followed by a 49-yard strike to Trevor Hilden. Garcia then scored on a 6-yard run with seven minutes to play to cut the deficit to six, 34-28.

Franklin went on a 13-play drive late in the fourth, but came up short on a fourth-down pass with two minutes

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SIDELINES

Roth inducted

Quarterback Jeff Roth, a 1989 Livonia Franklin High School grad, was inducted Oct. 8 into the Upper Iowa University Athletic Hall of Fame.

In 1992, Roth was named football MVP of the Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference as a senior. The most prolific passer in history of Upper Iowa, Roth led the Peacocks to a 6-4 record and their first winning season in 25 years that same season.

Roth, a four-year letter winner, holds Upper Iowa career records for passing yards (6,379), pass completions (545), passing attempts (1,034), touchdown passes (46) and total offense (6,235).

He also owns Peacock season records for passing yards (2,709), pass completions (231), passing attempts (379) and total offense (2,718). He is also tied for single season TD passes (26).

Burdette cards 95

Livonia Churchill sophomore fired a 95 during the opening round of the MHSAA Lower Peninsula Division 1 Girls Golf Finals held at Eastern Michigan University's Eagle Crest G.C.

The first-day individual co-leaders — all shooting 77s — including Devon Compton and Gabby Yurik, both of Rochester Hills Stoney Creek; Amanda Gardiner of Sterling Heights Stevenson and Mariah Massa of Holt.

Saline led the team standings with a 330, five strokes ahead of Stoney Creek.

Other area teams included Novi, ninth (370); Northville, 10th (372); and Plymouth, tied for 12th (387).

Blazers top Liggett

Goals by juniors Kylie Birney and Emma Ellswood sparked Livonia Ladywood to a 2-0 girls field hockey win Thursday at Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett.

Ladywood improves to 9-13 overall and 7-0-2 in Division II, while Liggett falls to 4-7-1 and 1-7-1.

Birney's goal came off a shot from the top of the circle, while senior Shannon Penn assisted on Ellswood's goal.

Ladywood goalie Mackenzie Holme made three saves to record the shutout, while Liggett counterpart Annie Grech had eight stops.

Synchro show

The Michigan Synchro Masters, international and national women's synchronized swimming champions, will stage a preview for their 2010 Masters National competition beginning at 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 17, at Schoolcraft College Physical Education Building pool.

The Michigan Synchro Masters, coached by Joyce Lindeman, earned three gold medals in team, solo duet and trio events at the 2009 U.S. National Masters Synchronized Swim meet and placed in the top five in several other categories. Tickets, available at the door, are \$5 (children 12 and under are free).

For more information, call Sharon McMurray at (313) 300-5494.

Happy homecoming

Clarenceville backfield duo drubs Hamtramck, 49-0

BY BRAD EMONS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Livonia Clarenceville football coach Ken Fry tweaked his backfield slightly for Friday's game with Hamtramck.

And the move paid off big dividends as the Trojans romped to a 49-0 homecoming triumph over Hamtramck.

Clarenceville, which evened its overall record at 4-4, racked up 339 total yards — all on the ground.

Junior speedster Romel Wright provided the lightning with 160 yards on 10 carries, while 6-foot-1, 230-pound DeOndre Hogan provided the thunder with 126 yards on just seven carries (all coming in the opening half).

Fry sprinkled in a little bit of offense that he learned when he played and coached at Livonia Franklin under George Lovich and Armand Vigna.

"Today they came to life — they did," Fry said. "We switched over Romel Wright at tailback. We did things tonight a little bit differently than we haven't done all season long. George and Armand

would love this. We went back a little bit to the veer. We had a nice, quick kid that could run it. It went really well for us."

Clarenceville led 20-0 at halftime on touchdown runs by Wright (19, 44 yards) and Hogan (39 yards).

The Trojans wasted little time in scoring on its first possession of the third quarter when Henry Seruga made his only carry of the night count when he broke three tackles and scored on a 32-yard run.

Quarterback Daniel Mrjak added a 15-yard TD run and DeJuan Smith, who had 50 yards on five carries, contributed a 10-yard touchdown — also in the third.

Clarenceville's defense held the Cosmos (1-7) to 64 total yards, including just a net of 12 on the ground. The Trojans registered five sacks and also came up with a third-quarter safety (to make it 36-0 and a running clock with 4:15 to go).

Clarenceville also picked off two passes — one each by Moses Hobson and David Jones — and recovered a fumble (by Jackie Peake).

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Clarenceville's DeOndre Hogan (9) had a big night with 126 yards on just seven carries, all in the first half, in the Trojans' 49-0 win over Hamtramck.



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Motoring along

John Glenn freshman Shannon Schwaegerle swims the breaststroke leg of the 200-yard medley relay during Tuesday's Rocket Invitational. For complete girls swim results see B3.

Crusaders pick up key WHAC road win

VOLLEYBALL

The Madonna University women's volleyball team proved Thursday night that it still has the "killer instinct" after posting a huge win on the road against Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference leader Indiana Tech.

The Crusaders dropped the first set before rallying for a 19-25, 25-19, 25-19, 25-21 triumph over the No. 12-ranked Warriors at Kline Court at the Schafer Center in Fort Wayne, Ind.

Junior outside hitter Megan Fricke recorded a match-high 18 kills and added 17 digs as MU upped its overall record to 17-6 and 9-1 in the WHAC.

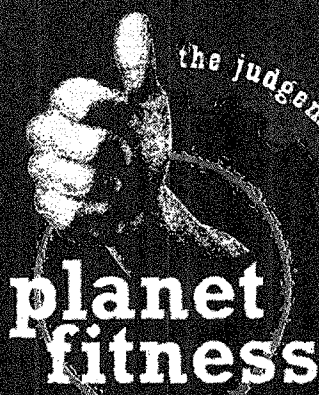
Senior outside hitter Liz Dempsey (Livonia Franklin) chipped in with 15 kills as the win snaps MU's four-match

losing streak against Tech, dating back to last season. It also avenges a five-set loss to the Warriors on Sept. 14 at the MU Activities Center.

Other contributions for the Crusaders, who have won 10 straight and 14 of their last 15 matches, included red-shirt junior Amanda Koszela, who finished with a match-best 26 digs, and red-shirt freshman setter Evia Prieditis (42 assist-to-kills).

Samantha Larson led Tech (23-5, 10-1) with 12 kills. Erika Stouder added 10, while setter Melanie Forman had 44 assists.

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Rosiek tandem stars as MU trumps Cards

Playing in sloppy and wet field conditions Wednesday at Rummel Field, the Madonna University men's soccer team beat host Concordia University for the second time in two weeks, 4-3.

MU, now 7-3 overall and 2-1 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference, led 3-2 at halftime on goals by Derek Rosiek (unassisted); Jacob Rosiek (from Ogbemudia Iyoha and Mustapha Olorunnimbe); and Ali Rida (unassisted).

Jonathan Zeleke and Justin Schultz, meanwhile, countered with goals for the Cardinals.

David Ukic then notched his second goal of the season for the Crusaders at the 80:45 mark from Olorunnimbe.

Bishoy Matta's goal for Concordia at 89:21 closed

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out the scoring, but it wasn't enough for the Cardinals (3-8-1, 0-3).

MU goalkeeper Parker Laabs (Canton) made nine saves in the match compared to 18 for Concordia's Mikey Erickson.

The Crusaders earned 11 corner kicks to the Cards three.

"Our possession was good today in attack and it lead to a lot of quality chances," MU first-year coach Eric Scott said. "Masato (Morioka) did a good job of spreading the ball around and John (Swiastyn) and Derek (Rosiek) were consistent in making forward passes. Our front line did a great job of getting behind them and running off the ball."

MU continues its three-

match road trip on 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Cornerstone University.

SCHOOLCRAFT 6, OWENS (OHIO) 0: Five first-half goals proved to be more than enough Wednesday as host Schoolcraft College (12-3-1, 10-1-1) rolled to an NJCAA Region XII victory over Owens Technical Community College (9-7, 8-4).

First-half tallies for the Ocelots came from Nate Hicklin (off a Marco Lobo corner kick in the 14th minute); Jordan Ford (penalty kick in the 22nd minute); Andrew Koet (header from Brent McIntosh in the 27th minute); Lobo (long bomb off the underside of the crossbar from Damjan Stamenkovic in the 41st minute).

Lobo notched his second goal of the match with 30 minutes to go in the second half on a breakaway. Dane Laird drew the assist.

Goalkeepers Adrian Motta (Livonia Churchill), who played the first half, and Ian McDonald-Wilkins, who finished up, combined for five saves and the shut-out.

Chargers earn last-minute win

It took 79 minutes, but Livonia Churchill pulled out a 1-0 KLAA crossover boys soccer win Wednesday at home over Hartland.

The Chargers, who finished the regular season 10-8-2 overall, got a goal with only a minute remaining when Allen Woodruff flicked in a shot off a breakaway attempt following a feed from Austin Henson.

Goalkeeper Christian Van Dam made seven saves en route to the shutout as Churchill finished the regular season at 10-8-2 overall.

Hartland falls to 5-10-2 with the setback.

"We had a lot of attempts, but did not finish well and we didn't stick to the game plan," Churchill coach Reid Friedrichs said. "But it was nice to get a win on Senior Night."

STEVENSON 0, W.L. WESTERN 0: In a KLAA crossover Wednesday, host Livonia Stevenson (11-4-3) and Walled Lake Western (8-5-4) battled to a scoreless draw.

John Boudreau went all the way in goal for Stevenson to earn the shutout.

"Unfortunately it was a half-hearted performance at best heading into the playoffs," Stevenson coach Lars Richters said. "In a way it was

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our third game in three days, but that's no excuse. We had hoped to close out the regular season with a strong performance and it did not turn out that way."

JOHN GLENN 2, MOTT 1: On Wednesday, goals by Steve Thompson and Alex Isaevski propelled host Westland John Glenn (8-9-1) to a KLAA crossover win over Waterford Mott (7-9-4).

Glenn goalkeeper Jason Rockwell made 14 saves in the victory.

"The metaphor of a sports competition being a battle is over used, but this was a battle," Glenn interim coach Brian Tomlinson said. "Mott has a tough style and due to the weather the ball was unpredictable. It just came down to who wanted it more. It is nice for our guys to go into the postseason on a well earned win"

PINCKNEY 3, FRANKLIN 2: On Wednesday, host Livonia Franklin (9-9) spotted the Pirates (6-12-1) a three-goal lead in a KLAA crossover defeat.

Pinckney got a pair of goals from Victor Torres and one from Spencer Stublerner to build a 3-0 second-half advantage before the Patriots answered on goals by Craig Beebe and John Girvan (with only 1:14 to go).

Franklin goalkeeper Ryan Tikey

made 10 saves.

"We had five guys out and guys were playing different spot, but actually they did very well," Franklin coach Vic Rodopoulos said. "We played a good first half, but had a hard time finishing. The last 10 minutes we stepped up our level of play. I'm not totally upset because all-in-all it was a good (regular season)."

Franklin was missing five injured players including top scorer Jordan McGuire, along with Jordan Monroe, Brad Tatro, Fred Shatara and Collin Elliott.

Zach Miller was also went down during the game with an injury.

"We're hoping all but one will be back by Monday even though we're not at 100 percent," said Rodopoulos, whose team faces Dearborn Fordson beginning at 7 p.m. Monday at home in a first-round Division 1 district matchup.

HOWELL 3, WAYNE 2: The Highlanders (5-9-1) tallied game-winning goal with just under a minute remaining to beat host Wayne Memorial (0-18) in a KLAA crossover.

The Zebras rallied from a 2-0 halftime deficit to tie the game during the second half on goals by Lucas Moore and Darren Glassmeyer.

"They (Howell) scored with 55 seconds left on a horrible mis-call by the ref and he admitted to me he messed up, but said the game needed to continue," Wayne coach David Daigneau said.

Clarenceville scoring ace runs season goal total to 33

Senior Ardit Dushkaj pumped in three more goals Thursday, raising his season total to 33 as host Livonia Clarenceville edged Ferndale, 4-3, in a non-conference boys soccer match.

The senior forward now has 59 goals over two-year span.

Clarenceville, which closes the regular season at 8-9-1 overall, also got a goal from freshman David Vandekerckhove.

Assists went to Matt Kurdziel and Masambou

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Jatta.

"We needed a win to get ready for districts," said Clarenceville coach Trevor Johnson, whose team takes on Grösse Ile at 6 p.m. Monday in a first-round Division 3 matchup.

Kaiman White scored twice and Anthony Braveau had the other goal for the Eagles.

LUTHERAN WESTLAND 5, LIGGETT 1: Mitchell Boehm tallied a pair of

goals Thursday as host Lutheran High Westland (7-9-2, 6-7-1) tuned up for state tourney play with a MIAC Blue Division triumph over Grösse Pointe Woods University-Liggett (2-14, 0-14).

Kent Kryske, Trevor Sultana and Nick Flanery also added goals for the Warriors, who broke away from a 1-1 halftime deadlock.

Assists went to Micah Reum, Ernie Babon, Jake Andrzejewski, Evan Shirkey and Nick Andrzejewski.

Lutheran Westland goalkeeper Marc Rosin made six saves.

Brian Gutermuth tallied the lone goal for the Knights.

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GIRLS SWIM RESULTS

ROCKET INVITATIONAL GIRLS SWIM MEET
Oct. 12 at Westland John Glenn
TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Dearborn, 277 points; 2. Westland John Glenn, 238; 3. Belleville, 187; 4. Wayne Memorial, 154; 5. Warren Regina, 153; 6. Garden City, 87.
FINAL HEAT WINNERS
200-yard medley relay (A): John Glenn (Kali Aloisi, Khiry Sparks, Rachael Alholinna, Jennie Humbach), 2:03.16; (B) Dearborn, 2:11.04; (C) Dearborn, 2:14.33.
200 freestyle (A): Casey Curtis (B), 2:09.26; (B) Lindsey Bessinger (WJG), 2:16.95; (C) Rachael Lange (B), 2:17.06; (D) Sascha Meyers (Dbn.), 2:06.08.
200 individual medley (A): Chloe Palajac (Dbn.), 2:19.85; (B) Melissa Hane (Dbn.), 2:38.84; (C) Aloisi (WJG), 2:29.65; (D) Becca Green (Dbn.), 2:23.98.
50 freestyle (A): Suzie Lesnau (WR), 26.69; (B) Cheyanne Rosochacki (Bell.), 27.58; (C) Hannah Robar (Dbn.), 28.16; (D) Jaycie Raby (GC), 31.32.
1-meter diving (A): Desiree Clenney (WJG), 199.99 points; (B) Tawni Olds (Bell.), 129.65; (C) Allison Juchartz (Bell.), 129.90; (D) Melissa Maher (WR), 119.65.
100 butterfly (A): Alholinna (WJG), 1:05.08; (B) Gema Lopez (WM), 1:21.62; (C) Katherine Koueiter (WR), 1:14.09; (D) Shannon Schwaegerle (WJG), 1:27.33.
100 freestyle (A): Palajac (Dbn.), 57.31; (B) Katy Frank (Dbn.), 59.01; (C) Humbach (WJG), 1:01.82; (D) Robar (Dbn.), 1:02.11.
500 freestyle (A): Emily Dawson (Dbn.), 5:53.76; (B) Lesnau (WR), 6:00.8; (C) Lange (Bell.), 6:08.16; (D) Melissa Zarczynski (WJG), 6:35.48.
200 freestyle relay (A): Belleville, 1:49.26; (B) Dearborn, 1:58.37; (C) Dearborn, 2:01.78.
100 backstroke (A): Meyers (Dbn.), 1:05.38; (B) Victoria Wedyke (WR), 1:11.4; (C) Curtis (Bell.), 1:11.95; (D) Addison Parker (Dbn.), 1:15.1.
100 breaststroke (A): Curtis (Bell.), 1:11.95; (B) Sparks (WJG), 1:13.03; (C) Aloisi (WJG), 1:14.51; (D) Renee Metcalf (GC), 1:37.42.
400 freestyle relay (A): Dearborn, 3:52.15; (B) Dearborn, 4:15.24; (C) Dearborn, 4:25.34.
DUAL MEET RESULTS
WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 96
LIVONIA CHURCHILL 85



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Wayne Memorial's Gema Lopez swims the butterfly leg of the 200-yard medley relay during Tuesday's Rocket Invitational hosted by Westland John Glenn.

Oct. 14 at Churchill
200-yard medley relay: 1. John Glenn (Kali Aloisi, Khiry Sparks, Rachael Alholinna, Jennie Humbach), 2:08.32; 2. Churchill (Christina Fox, Rebecca Van Gorp, Tamara Marek, Amanda Washko), 2:11.5; 3. John Glenn (Kennra Burke, Brooke C. Graham, Kelsie Yax, Merissa Zarczynski), 2:22.2.
200 freestyle: 1. Brittany Gates (LC), 2:12.63; 2. Lindsey Bessinger (WJG), 2:15.0; 3. Megan Lancaster (LC), 2:20.0.
200 individual medley: 1. Washko (LC), 2:20.19; 2. Aloisi (WJG), 2:30.5; 3. Marek (LC), 2:44.54.
50 freestyle: 1. Allison Mayer (LC), 27.73; 2. Sparks (WJG), 27.81; 3. Fox (LC), 28.74.
1-meter diving: 1. Desiree Clenney (WJG), 193.15 points; 2. Humbach (WJG), 156.90; 3. Kailyn Gluth (LC), 139.30.
100 butterfly: 1. Alholinna (WJG), 1:06.16; 2. Gates (LC), 1:07.13; 3. Marek (LC), 1:16.49.
100 freestyle: 1. Washko (LC), 56.52; 2. Sparks (WJG), 59.02; 3. Mayer (LC), 59.34.

500 freestyle: 1. Bessinger (WJG), 6:02.45; 2. Lancaster (LC), 6:05.76; 3. Kate C. Moran (WJG), 6:24.91.
200 freestyle relay: 1. John Glenn (Aloisi, Humbach, Kim Nolasco, Sparks), 1:52.72; 2. Churchill (Mayer, Madison Ytterrock, Alex Herten, Gates), 1:54.37; 3. John Glenn (Graham, Jordyn Davis, Rachel Cizauskas, Bessinger), 2:03.39.
100 backstroke: 1. Alholinna (WJG), 1:11.33; 2. Fox (LC), 1:11.45; 3. Kristen Gilley (LC), 1:17.67.
100 breaststroke: 1. Aloisi (WJG), 1:16.01; 2. Humbach (WJG), 1:19.72; 3. Van Gorp (LC), 1:22.16.
400 freestyle relay: 1. Churchill (Mayer, Gates, Fox, Washko), 4:04.2; 2. John Glenn (Bessinger, Nolasco, Moran, Alholinna), 4:19.86; 3. Churchill (Lancaster, Marek, Gilley, Herten), 4:22.93.
Dual meet records: John Glenn, 2-3 overall, 2-3 KLAA South Division; Churchill, 4-7 overall, 2-3 KLAA South.
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LIVONIA STEVENSON 71
Oct. 9 at Stevenson
200-yard medley relay: 1. Mercy (Taylor Steffi, Maria Bargardi, Sato Kakihara, Olivia Samoray), 1:54.38; 2. Mercy (Elliott Schinella, Halie Zulch, Lauren Ochoa, Noel Huffman), 1:58.72; 3. Stevenson (Brenna Gabrielson, Sarah Cauzillo, Ashley Reed, Emilee Montini), 1:59.77.
200 freestyle: 1. Savannah Hatt (LS), 1:59.46; 2. Annie Valentine (FHM), 2:00.34; 3. Christine Edwards (FHM), 2:02.4.
200 individual medley: 1. Kakihara (FHM), 2:15.55; 2. Kaylee Dolinski (LS), 2:19.07; 3. Jordan Ewald (FHM), 2:22.43.
50 freestyle: 1. Steffi (FHM), 25.1; 2. Schinella (FHM), 26.36; 3. Noel Huffman (FHM), 26.64.
1-meter diving: 1. Emmy Orrico (FHM), 237.34 points; 2. Christine Peterson (FHM), 176.47; 3. Cassie Morford (LS), 162.82.
100 butterfly: 1. Valentine (FHM), 59.71; 2. Bargardi (FHM), 1:01.23; 3. Hatt (LS), 1:03.18.

100 freestyle: 1. Kakihara (FHM), 54.93; 2. Steffi (FHM), 56.0; 3. Cauzillo (LS), 58.12.
500 freestyle: 1. Samoray (FHM), 5:14.96; 2. Dolinski (LS), 5:23.48; 3. Geri Michalzuk (FHM), 5:32.18.
200 freestyle relay: 1. Mercy (Samoray, Steffi, Huffman, Carlee Jackson), 1:43.97; 2. Stevenson (Hatt, Kayla Perchall, Aidan O'Dowd, Dolinski), 1:47.72; 3. Mercy (Valentine, Shannon Lemmer, Emma Michalzuk, G. Michalzuk), 1:47.84.
100 backstroke: 1. Edwards (FHM), 1:01.42; 2. Jordan Ewald (FHM), 1:03.72; 3. Schinella (FHM), 1:05.04.
100 breaststroke: 1. Cauzillo (LS), 1:14.62; 2. Perchall (LS), 1:14.9; 3. Shaelyn Dolinski (LS), 1:19.95.
400 freestyle relay: 1. Stevenson (Hatt, K. Dolinski, Perchall, Montini), 3:50.78; 2. Stevenson (O'Dowd, Evelyn Stein, Reed, Emily Rogue), 4:09.07.
Stevenson's dual meet record: 5-4 overall.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL
Friday, Oct. 22
Stevenson at Churchill, 7 p.m.
Carleton Airport at Franklin, 7 p.m.
W.L. Central at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
Wayne at Thurston, 7 p.m.
Annapolis at Clarenceville, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 23
Det. Urban at Luth. Westland, 1 p.m.
GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
Tuesday, Oct. 19
Canton at Churchill, 6:30 p.m.
Plymouth at Franklin, 6:30 p.m.
Stevenson at Salem, 6:30 p.m.
John Glenn at Wayne, 6:30 p.m.
S'field Christian at Luth. Westland, 6:30 p.m.
Clarenceville at Cranbrook, 7 p.m.
Huron Valley at Franklin Road, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 21
Clarenceville Tri-Match, 5 p.m.
John Glenn at Churchill, 6:30 p.m.
Franklin at Wayne, 6:30 p.m.
S.L. East at Stevenson, 6:30 p.m.
Liggett at Luth. Westland, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 23
Kensington Tourney at Canton, 8 a.m.
BOYS SOCCER
DISTRICT TOURNEY DRAWS
DIVISION 1
LIVONIA FRANKLIN (Host)
Monday, Oct. 18: (A) Plymouth vs. (B) Canton at CEP, 7 p.m.; (C) Garden City at (D) Livonia Churchill, 5 p.m.; (E) Dearborn Fordson at (F) Livonia Franklin, 7 p.m.; (G) Dearborn Heights Crestwood at (H) Westland John Glenn, 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 20: A-B winner vs. C-D winner, 5 p.m.; E-F winner vs. G-H winner, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 23: Championship final, 10 a.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 26 at Dearborn Edsel Ford vs. Ann Arbor Pioneer district champion.)
FARMINGTON (Host)
Tuesday, Oct. 19: (A) Farmington at (B) Royal Oak, 6 p.m.; (C) Berkeley at (D) Livonia Stevenson, 7 p.m.; (E) Birmingham Seaholm at (F) Farmington Hills Harrison, (G) Birmingham Groves at (H) Birmingham Brother Rice, 5 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 21: A-B winner vs. C-D winner, 5 p.m.; E-F winner vs. G-H winner, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 23: Championship final, 3 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals, 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 26 at Troy Athens vs. Fair Haven-Anchor Bay district champion.)
ANN ARBOR PIONEER (Host)
Tuesday, Oct. 19: (A) Dearborn at (B) Ann Arbor Pioneer, 7 p.m.; (C) Saline at (D) Lincoln Park, 7 p.m.; (E) Dearborn Edsel Ford at (F) Ypsilanti, 5:30 p.m.; (G) Wayne Memorial at (H) Ann Arbor Huron, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 21: A-B winner vs. C-D winner, 5 p.m.; E-F winner vs. G-H winner, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 23: Championship final, 1 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 26 at Dearborn Edsel Ford vs. Livonia Franklin district champion.)
DIVISION 3
LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE (Host)
Monday, Oct. 18: (A) Allen Park Cabrini at (B) Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central, 4:30 p.m.; (C) Grosse Ile at (D) Livonia Clarenceville, 6 p.m.; (E) Detroit Cesar Chavez Academy at (F) Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard, 4:30 p.m.; (G) Flat Rock at (H) Riverview Gabriel Richard, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 19: C-D winner at A-B winner, 4:30 p.m.; G-H winner at E-F winner, 4:30 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 21: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals, 5 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 26 at Pontiac Notre Dame Prep vs. Pigeon-Laker district champion.)
DIVISION 4
at ALLEN PARK INTER-CITY BAPTIST
Monday, Oct. 18: (A) Taylor Baptist Park vs. (B) Allen Park Inter-City Baptist, 4 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 19: Lutheran High Westland vs. Westland Huron Valley Lutheran, 4 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 20: Newport Lutheran South vs. A-B winner, 3:30 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 23: Championship final, 1 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals, 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 27 at Ann Arbor Greenhills vs. Jackson Christian district champion.)
BOYS & GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY
Thursday, Oct. 21
Kensington Conference Meet at Huron Meadows Metropark, 4 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 23
Catholic League Championship at Stoney Creek Metropark, 9 a.m.
GIRLS SWIMMING & DIVING
Tuesday, Oct. 19
Ladywood at John Glenn, 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 21
Pinckney at Churchill, 6:30 p.m.
W.L. Central at Franklin, 6:30 p.m.
Hartland at Stevenson, 6:30 p.m.
W.L. Western at John Glenn, 6:30 p.m.
Wat. Kettering at Wayne, 6:30 p.m.
Ladywood vs. Warren Regina at Eastpointe East Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
Tuesday, Oct. 19
Davenport at Madonna, 7 p.m.
Henry Ford at Schoolcraft, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 21
Madonna at N'western Ohio, 7 p.m.
Schoolcraft at OCC-Highland Lakes, 7 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 22
(Madonna Univ. Classic)
Madonna vs. Ashford (Ia.), 3 p.m.
Madonna vs. Columbia (Mo.), 7 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 23
Madonna vs. Rochester College, 9:30 a.m.
Madonna vs. Bellevue (Neb.), 1:30 p.m.
MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Sunday, Oct. 17
Schoolcraft at Lakeland (Ohio), 1 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 23
Madonna at Aquinas College, 3 p.m.
Sunday, Oct. 24
Cuyahoga (Ohio) at Schoolcraft, 1 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Saturday, Oct. 23
Madonna at Aquinas College, 12:30 p.m.
Schoolcraft at Owens (Ohio), 1 p.m.

Leading the way
KLAA South leader Churchill now 8-0 in division

Livonia Churchill continued its stranglehold on the KLAA South Division girls volleyball race with a 25-17, 25-11, 25-17 win Thursday at home over Wayne Memorial.
The victory sets up a KLAA South Division showdown for first against Canton (20-6-3, 7-1) beginning at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at Churchill.
Sophomore Emily Norscia was the Chargers' top attacker with 14 kills, while Marissa Pomaville added eight kills and two blocks.
Churchill, now 34-6-2 overall and 8-0 in the KLAA South, also got seven kills and three blocks from junior Erin Menard.
Setter Katie Hecksel collected 12 assist-to-kills, while Kara Kempinski and Ashley Pedrotte paced the defense with 16 and six digs, respectively.
The loss drops Wayne to 0-8 in the division. On Tuesday, Plymouth defeated the Zebras in three straight, 25-18, 25-8, 25-19.
Spartans triumph

KLAA VOLLEYBALL
Senior Reina Tyl's 14 kills powered Livonia Stevenson to a 25-17, 26-24, 25-23 win Thursday night at home over South Lyon.
The Spartans, who improved to 12-13-2 overall and 3-5 in the KLAA Central Division, also received nine kills from Monika Rudis and eight kills and 16 digs from freshman Katie Tomasie.
Junior libero Jordan York contributed 15 digs, while setters Allie Koestering and Sammy Caves finished with 11 and eight assists, respectively.
South Lyon is 16-8-1 overall and 3-5 in the Central.
Rockets defused
Westland John Glenn dropped a pair of KLAA South Division matches last week.
On Thursday, host Plymouth downed the Rockets, 25-19, 22-25, 25-16, 25-13.
Halie Baker led Glenn (13-12-5, 3-5) with 15 kills, while setters Sarah Headrick and Clarie Truskowski each contributed 15 assists.

Brooke Zywick posted a team-high 17 digs and Brooklyn Holbrook added three blocks.
Plymouth improved to 16-7-3 overall and 5-3 in the division.
On Tuesday, Canton defeated Glenn in four sets, 23-25, 25-23, 25-13, 25-23.
Baker finished with 14 kills, five blocks and two aces, while Truskowski contributed 21 assists. Zywick had 22 digs and Katie McNally two aces.
Canton improved to 19-6-2 and 6-1 in the KLAA South with the win.
Chiefs trip Patriots
Despite 14 kills and seven digs from Chelsea Williams, Livonia Franklin fell in three straight sets Thursday to host Canton, 25-18, 25-19, 25-13.
Libero Nicole Williamson and Raquel Garza collected 11 and digs, respectively, as the Patriots fell to 8-23-3 overall and 1-7 in the KLAA South Division.
Canton (20-6-2, 7-1) got eight kills from Alaina Turner and six kills and 16 digs from Kristen Muir.

FRANKLIN

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to play.
Ryan Parkin then came up with two key defensive stops when he intercepted a pass and sealed the win with a fumble recovery with just under a minute left after the Patriots fumbled on the South Lyon 5.
"When it was 34-0 I think we took a break and they (South Lyon) kept playing

hard," said Kelbert, whose team outgained the Lions 449-264 in total offense. "We came out aggressive and ran the ball well, but then we lost focus. They caught us with some big plays and we were like a deer in headlights."
Marz was 9-of-13 for 154 yards. His favorite receiver was Sharp, who had five catches for 103 yards. Jimmy Mazaris added 52 yards on the ground on nine carries.

VOLLEYBALL

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Madonna sweeps pair

Madonna continued to its winning ways Friday in the University of St. Francis Asics/Munciana Invitational with victories over Indiana University Southeast (25-16, 25-18, 25-18) and Illinois Tech (25-20, 25-17, 25-19).
Against IU-Southeast, MU hit at a blistering .369 percentage as Altman finished with 14 kills and 23 digs, while sopho-

more Anastasija Baranovska contributed 11 kills.
Koszela also had 11 digs, while Prieditis handed out 41 of MU's 47 assists.
Lindsay Maymon led IU-Southeast (14-13) with 10 kills.
In the victory over Illinois Tech (15-11), Dempsey and Baranovska finished with 11 and 10 kills, respectively.
Koszela added 17 digs, while Prieditis dished out 36 assists as MU improved to 19-6 overall.
Kate Kendall had 12 kills for the Red Hawks.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Prep coaches wanted

- Livonia Clarenceville is seeking a boys and girls track and field coach for the 2011 season. Those interested should e-mail Clarenceville Athletic Director Kevin Murphy at Kmurphy@clarenceville.k12.mi.us; or call (248) 919-0217.
- Wayne Memorial is seeking both a JV boys and freshman boys basketball coach for the 2010-11 season. Previous high school coaching experience is preferred. Those interested should send a letter of application and resume to: Greg Ambrose, athletic director, Wayne Memorial H.S., 3001 Fourth Street, Wayne, MI 48184.

Ladywood bumps off Saddlelites

Senior Katy Rooney recorded 13 kills and three blocks Thursday as Livonia Ladywood rolled to a 25-17, 25-17, 25-14 Catholic League Central Division girls volleyball win over visiting Warren Regina.
The Blazers, who improved to 27-16-2 overall and 2-4 in the division, also got seven kills and four blocks from Caitlin McClorey along with 26 digs and five aces from Jenny Rhodes.
Setter Alex Hines chipped in with 23 assist-to-kills.
On Tuesday, state-ranked Farmington Hills Mercy avenged a weekend loss in the East Kentwood Invitational to Livonia Ladywood with a 25-17, 25-19, 25-20 Central Division victory.
Kenzie Kettner, Cheyanne Woodall and Rooney each had six kills in the loss. Rooney also added four blocks, while Kettner finished with 22 digs.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Hines finished with 20 assists.
Mercy, meanwhile, improved to 36-6-2 overall and 5-1 in the Central.
Warriors stopped
In a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference match Thursday, state-ranked Allen Park Inter-City Baptist earned a 25-19, 26-24, 25-14 win at Lutheran High Westland.
"We played well enough to win sets one and two, but we were unable to finish out both of those sets," said Lutheran High Westland coach Kevin Wade, whose team dropped to 9-16-2 overall and 2-4 in the MIAC's Blue Division.
"We need to learn to get out of rotations that are weaker by playing solidly and by doing that we can eliminate our

opponent's long runs that have ultimately cost us quite a few sets and therefore matches."
Amanda Terranella had 12 kills and five solo blocks a losing cause.
Jacqui Schwartz added seven solo blocks and two block-assists.
Setters Erica Killian and Leah Refenes combined for 20 assists, while Taylor Wiener led the defense with 18 digs.
Other digs leaders included Marisa Hahn (13), Hannah Conley (7) and Alyssa Shirkey (5).
"The most disappointing thing for me as a coach is to watch us play so well at times, and then at times, we just can't seem to do anything right," Wade said. "Hopefully we turn the corner here with our upcoming matches."
Inter-City, ranked No. 9 in Class D, is 3-3 in the MIAC Blue.

BOYS TENNIS RESULTS

LIVONIA STEVENSON 7
WHITE LAKE LAKELAND 2
Oct. 12 at Lakeland
No. 1 singles: Ross Kynast (WLL) defeated Kevin Francisco, 6-4, 6-1; **No. 2:** Josh Rochette (LS) def. Alex Garrigo, 3-6, 7-5, 6-3; **No. 3:** Vince Sabatini (LS) def. Zach Ruffin, 6-2, 6-0; **No. 4:** Marcus McCathey (LS) def. Terry Haron, 6-1, 6-1.
No. 1 doubles: Josh York-Paul Franchina (LS) def. Connor Manley-Alex Peck, 6-0, 6-0; **No. 2:** Kaemon Holman Rayos-Chad Northey (LS) def. John Flavey-Tony Edwards, 6-0, 6-2; **No. 3:** Simjae Holman Rayos-Jacob Ratliff (LS) def. Tyler McLeod-Kenny Miller, 6-3, 3-6, 12-10 (super breaker); **No. 4:** Kenny Nikkila-Sam Tabor (LS) def. Nick Vraborites-Grant LeVasseur, 6-2, 6-2; **No. 5:** Austin Hergebert-Adam Kessler (WLL) won by default over Alex Parrinello-Nick Marsh.
Dual match records: Stevenson, 8-3 overall; Lakeland, 5-5.

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Oct. 13 at Hudson Mills Metropark
GIRLS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Warren Regina, 33 points; 2. Dearborn Divine Child, 46; 3. Farmington Hills Mercy, 84; 4. Birmingham Marian, 96; 5. Pontiac Notre Dame Prep, 113; 6. Livonia Ladywood, 133; 7. Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard, 221.
Individual winner: Kelsie Schwartz (Regina), 19 minutes (5,000 meters).
Ladywood finishers: 17. Emma McClory, 21:16; 23. Devyana Walker, 21:39; 29. Becky Babon, 22:34; 30. Alexandra Darr, 22:38; 34. Katherine Taylor, 23:01; 37. Sinead Cox, 23:17; 39. Megan Riethmiller, 23:47.
Mercy finishers: 3. Heather Smith, 19:45; 14. Teagan Dillion, 20:44; 20. Mackenzie Elkow, 21:27; 22. Celeste White, 21:31; 25. Mary Haapala, 22:01; 35. Jacklyn Godwin, 23:13; 40. Stephanie O'Neil, 24:08.

Rockets get by Spartans, 28-20

Grohoski, Brown key Churchill triumph

Westland John Glenn evened its football record at 4-4 with a 28-20 KLAA Kensington Conference crossover win Friday night at Livonia Stevenson.

The Rockets broke away from a 14-all halftime deadlock with a 14-point third quarter.

Kicker Alex Isaevski, who was four-for-four on extra points, recovered his own

inside kick and Glenn took the lead for good, 21-14, with 10:12 left in the third quarter on Rico Cole's 23-yard touchdown run.

The Rockets then marched 84 yards in six plays capped by Donnell Brewer's 2-yard scoring run for a 28-14 advantage with 4:02 left in the third.

Stevenson cut the deficit to 28-20 when Joe Mims hit Anthony Wilson on a 14-yard

scoring pass with only 49 seconds left.

But the Spartans failed to convert the point-after and Glenn's Chris Jones recovered the onside kick to put the game away.

Glenn quarterback Jeff Kuhary, who was 9-of-14 for 145 yards, opened the scoring with 10:41 left in the first quarter when he hit Mark Layne with a 73-yard scoring pass.

Stevenson answered with 10:42 to go in the second period when Mims connected with Adam Duncan on a 52-yard TD pass.

Cole, who led all rushers with 125 yards on 16 carries, returned the ensuing kickoff 92 yards for a Glenn TD.

But Stevenson (3-5) answered before the half when Mims ran a fake punt 12 yards for a first down followed by a 46-yard scoring toss to Duncan to make it 14-all. (Tyler Jarosz converted the PAT.)

Glenn outgained Stevenson in total yards, 307-260.

Mims was 10-of-18 for 164 yards, while Duncan had five catches for 131 yards.

Duron Govantes and Jimi Perez each had an interception for Glenn.

Alex Ryan also recovered a Stevenson fumble.

CHURCHILL 35, S.L. EAST 13: The one-two punch of Jordan Grohoski and Romello Brown propelled Livonia Churchill (3-5) to a KLAA Kensington Conference crossover win Friday at South Lyon East (2-6).

Grohoski scored on runs of 5 and 20 yards in the first half as Churchill built a 21-13 advantage.

Mike Kutek opened the scoring for Churchill on a 1-yard run with 9:16 left in the first quarter.

East countered with a pair of second quarter scores - quarterback Pat Powers to Matt Lindman on a 36-yard pass and Lindman on a 6-yard run.

With 10:25 left the third quarter, the 5-foot-11, 215-pound Brown scored on a 1-yard run.

Chad Lipinski's 1-yard TD run with only 3:32 remaining in the final quarter was able to put the game away for the Chargers.

Churchill outgained East in total offense, 453-396.

Brown finished with 155 yards rushing on 21 carries, while Grohoski added 100 on 13 attempts. The Churchill signal caller was 6-of-17 passing for 119 yards. Dearf Bokuniewicz, meanwhile, was 5-for-5 on extra points.

Churchill's defense was led by linebacker Mike Harp, who was in on 15 tackles. Keith Chartrand added a sack and fumble recovery. Sean Servalish came up with a fourth-quarter interception and Ryan Hall also had a fumble recovery.

SALEM 27, WAYNE 20: Quarterback Drew Thompson and Marcus Houston each scored two touchdowns Friday as the host Rocks (1-7) downed Wayne Memorial (0-8) in a battle of winless Kensington Conference teams.

Salem jumped out to a 14-7 half-time lead on Thompson's 17-yard first-period scoring pass to Brian Augier followed by Houston's 4-yard scoring run in the second.

Wayne countered with Dean Caldwell's 33-yard TD pass to Thomas Briggs.

In the third quarter, Salem built a 27-7 lead on a 17-yard run by Houston followed by a Thompson-to-Ryan Jankowski 21-yard scoring pass.

Wayne, however, refused to quit. Caldwell threw his second and third TD tosses of the night - both coming in the fourth quarter. He hooked up with Marcel Trinity on a 17-yard pass followed by a 48-yard hook-up with Chris Tolentino with only 16 seconds left.

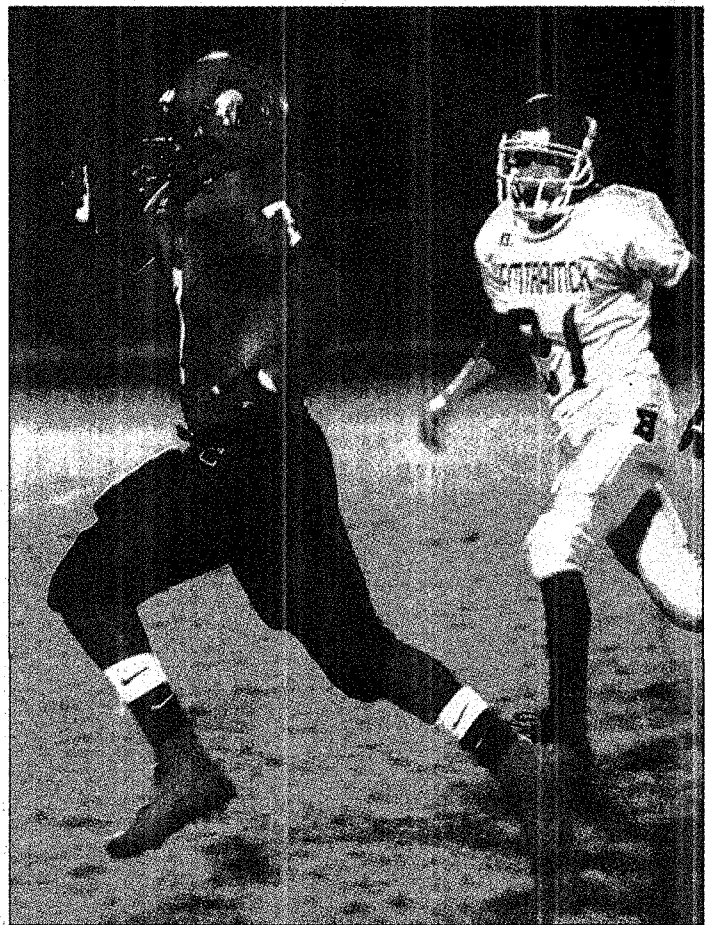
The Zebras then tried an onside kick and Salem recovered.

Wayne outgained the Rocks in total yardage, 293-271.

Houston had a game-high 128 yards rushing on 20 carries, while Thompson was 7-of-13 for 112 yards.

Caldwell completed 12-of-28 passes for 164 yards, but was intercepted twice. Keith Agee was the leading ground gainer with 55 yards on 14 attempts.

Dimitrius Renfro and Nate Cavanaugh registered 11 and nine tackles, respectively, for the Zebras.



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It's off to the races for Clarenceville's Romel Wright (7), who heads for the heads for end zone pursued by Hamtramck's Ali Almarsari (21).

C'VILLE

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Things, however, got a little sloppy for the Trojans in the second half as they took seven penalties after having only one in the first half.

"Any idea how many?" Fry asked. "It seems to be our Achilles' heel. Sometimes we shoot ourselves in the foot."

Meanwhile, Fry is enjoying his first experience as a head coach despite the ups-and-downs.

"It's a lot easier being an assistant than it is being a head coach," he said. "I have more respect for Ryan (Hockman) and everybody else I coached for or with. It's a demanding job, but it's a lot of fun."

The Trojans can will close out their season on a winning note beginning 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22 at home against Dearborn Heights Annapolis.

"If we finish up against Annapolis 5-4 it would be good for the kids and good for the program," Fry said.

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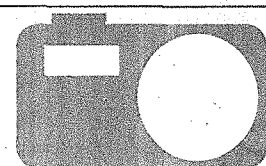
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ReMARKable woman gets fit, leads way for other women

BY BETH JACHMAN
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Remarkable. That's a word that is following Chris Benson around these days.

From losing weight, to working at Madonna University, to working on her doctorate at Michigan State, to running marathons, Benson has a pretty full plate, but it's filled with healthy choices, because that's the key to her success.

Associate dean for Academic Advising and the First-Year Experience at Madonna University in Livonia, Benson lost more than 70 pounds on the Weight Watchers™ program. And that's just the beginning.

While attending a celebration luncheon in May, she caught the attention of Florine Mark, president and chair of the board of The WW Group, Weight Watchers' largest franchise holder. The result of that meeting is that Mark named Benson 2010 ReMARKable Woman of the Year for the 11th annual luncheon held in September at The Henry, the former Ritz Carlton, in Dearborn. In addition, Benson has appeared on Mark's WXYZ Channel 7 show *Ask Florine*, as well as being interviewed on her radio show.

"I'm totally shocked," she says of the attention. She gives the credit for her successes to Weight Watchers.

"Weight Watchers was the start of me being able to do a lot of things in my life," she said. "I feel like losing the weight was what gave me the confidence," she said.

A resident of Taylor, she has worked at Madonna for seven years. She is pursuing a doctorate in higher education administration.

She joined Weight Watchers in March 2000.

"I went because my doctor told me I was obese and no one ever said that to me before," she said. She was well over 200 pounds at the time. The doctor said, "I want you to go to Weight Watchers tonight. I don't even want



Chris Benson, who lost more than 70 pounds on the Weight Watchers program, speaks at the ReMARKable Women luncheon in September.

you to go home. I want you to go right to a meeting," Benson said.

Joining Weight Watchers was definitely a big lifestyle change, she said. The strategies of Weight Watchers include making healthy eating choices and writing down what you eat, but "they also talk to you about psychological aspects too," she said.

"I did lose it (the weight) in under a year," she said. "It's not so hard losing it, it's keeping it off," she said, adding she struggled with her weight going up and down even after she reached her goal weight.

And even though once Weight Watchers members reach their goal they no longer have to weigh in every week, she still does. "I have to go every week. I know that I deal with stress sometimes by eating."

FACING CHALLENGES

One rough patch was when she had a comprehensive exam at Michigan State and failed one of the questions. "I was so depressed," she said. But she was determined not to turn to emotional eating and that's when

she turned to running even though she says at the time she could barely run one block. "I can't go back to (over)eating," she said she told herself, adding she had always wanted to try running. She read a book called *50/50* by ultramarathoner Dean Karnazes about running 50 marathons in all 50 states, and in early 2009 she started running. "When I incorporated the running in, that helps me so much with the stress," she said.

"I guess I felt like I was at a place that I had to try it. It's totally changed my outlook on life," she said. She now averages 30 to 40 miles a week. "It's really given me so much energy I can't see my life without it," she said.

Her first marathon was the Detroit Free Press Marathon in 2009. She is also running it again today. Her next goal is a 50-mile endurance run in 2011. Her running schedule is sometimes hard to fit in with all the demands for her time, but she says she does it no matter what. "That's something I do for myself," she said.

Her husband, who also was not a runner prior to this, is supportive and

has become more active and has been posting his training on Facebook.

"A lot of people have told me 'you've really inspired me to get out there,'" she said.

To stay motivated she sets up a calendar of her training plans "I have written down every day what I need to do," she said. "Posting it where I can see it keeps me going," she said.

Benson says she has never looked or felt better in her life, but she has traveled a ways to get there.

Although fairly thin as a child, when she got into her early 20s, things got complicated.

"I couldn't seem to find what it is I wanted to do," she said and that caused stress. "I felt that all that was weighing on me, literally."

SEEING SUCCESS

Things just started happening after her success with Weight Watchers. She attended a celebration in May for anybody who lost more than 50 pounds with Weight Watchers, which is where she met Florine Mark. Mark asked if Benson would like to be inter-

viewed on WXYZ Channel 7's *Ask Florine*.

"Then I'm at work and someone said 'did you see the post card?' It was then she found that she was part of the 'I Did it' campaign on www.888-3-florine.com, which features her success story. After that she got an e-mail that invited her to be recognized as a ReMARKable Woman of the Year.

The annual luncheon was attended by 600 people. "It was so wonderful... the greatest experience," Benson said.

At the ReMARKable women luncheon she talked to the audience about her struggles with weight and told them, "When I look at myself I still see myself 73 pounds heavier," she said.

She talked about how women tend to lose their positive self-image as young girls. She says she talked about the fact that a first-grader points to themselves when asked who is the smartest, but by third grade they point to others.

"I work with freshmen at the university," she said. "We've got a whole new generation of leaders coming up."

So one of her next goals is working with young women to make healthy choices now, she said.

Since the ReMARKable woman honor she has been asked to go to Magic 105 studios in Ferndale to be interviewed for Mark's radio show, which is broadcast on several radio stations in Michigan. It's a half-hour show and it's basically to inspire other women to do things that they want to do, Benson said. That show was scheduled to be aired today.

And Mark has also asked her to be a Weight Watchers leader, but for now she just wants to continue working and running and completing her doctoral program.

But she is excited by all the attention. "It's an amazing opportunity. I never thought it would lead to all these things," she said.

Now she has people say to her, "I can't believe you ever had a weight problem."

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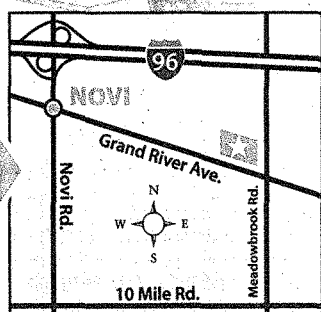
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If you love animals and bowling, Tail Waggers 1990 is offering a deal you can't resist.

The nonprofit animal welfare organization will hold its 21st Tail Waggers Bowl on Saturday, Nov. 13 at Woodland Lanes in Livonia. Participants will meet many of the organization's four-legged benefactors, hear compelling rescue stories and talk to pet owners who have received assistance from Tail Waggers 1990. They'll also bowl three games, eat lunch or dinner, get a commemorative gift and prizes.

Bowling times are 9:30 a.m., 1 p.m., 4:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Costs is \$25 per person.

Children can become official Pet Cadets by participating in the 9:30 a.m. squad. For \$10 per person, kids will get the same benefits as the adults but also receive a personalized Pet Cadet Membership Card which gives them a phone number to call to ask animal-related questions or to report animal cruelty. Pet Cadets are featured on the Tail Waggers Web site and can be proud of the fact they are stepping up to the plate on behalf of animals.

Founder, Laura Zain says that for the first time in many years there are openings for new participants to join in

the fun. She hopes to raise enough money so that families can continue to rely on Tail Waggers for pet food assistance, low-cost vaccinations, spaying/neutering and emergency assistance.

Tail Waggers 1990 strives to support dedicated pet owners who are in need of assistance and it pays for animal emergencies.

To register for the 21st Tail Waggers Bowl, call Zain at (734) 560-4660 or e-mail to tailwaggers.1990@yahoo.com.

PLAYING WITH FOOD

Detroit Zoo animals will taste, eat, tear, smash and roll around in pumpkins Thursday, Oct. 21.

Each year around Halloween, the Zoo's animal welfare staff gives animals environmental enrichment in the form of pumpkins, gourds and corn stalks as special holiday treats.

The enrichment items are hidden throughout the animals' habitats or prepared and placed in a unique manner to stimulate natural behaviors. The primates' pumpkins, for example, will be carved out and filled with red-colored pasta.

"The gorillas enjoy digging



PET PROJECTS

in and eating the ghoulish spaghetti," stated Elizabeth Arbaugh, animal welfare manager.

Zoo visitors can watch the animals devour and play with their treats. Here's the enrichment schedule for Oct. 21:

- 10:30 a.m. - Gorillas with spaghetti-filled pumpkins
- 11 a.m. - Snow monkeys with Halloween treats
- 11:30 a.m. - Rhinos with pumpkins and corn stalks
- Noon - Zebras with corn stalks
- 12:30 p.m. - Bison with pumpkins and corn stalks
- 1 p.m. - Wolverines with pumpkins and spaghetti
- 1:30 p.m. - Polar bears with pumpkins

The Detroit Zoo is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. through October and will close at 4 p.m. each day beginning in November. It's located at Woodward and 10 Mile in Royal Oak. Admission is \$11 for adults, 15 to 61, \$9 for senior citizens, 62 and older, and \$7 for children, ages 2 to 14; children under 2 are free.



Canoeing at Scout camp is a fun activity for these girls.

Campaign aim: Get Scouts to camp

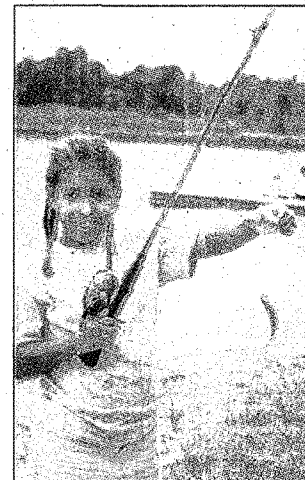
Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan believes that financial hardship should never be a barrier to attending summer camp. "When it comes to Girl Scout camp," said Jan Barker, CEO of Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan, "the question shouldn't be if a girl goes, it should be when."

That's why the organization launched the first targeted campaign to make Girl Scout camp possible for every girl who wanted to attend camp in 2010 in the council's 34-county service area that includes parts of western Wayne County. The three-month campaign brought in nearly \$86,000. Of that amount, \$62,787 funded camp scholarships, allowing 502 girls to experience outdoor adventure at one of the council's eight premier camps. Additional

funds were used to maintain the camps and to improve outdoor and environmental programming.

The need for scholarship funds and supplies at all of the council's camps increased dramatically in 2010 as Michigan's economy continued to falter. By August, all funds set aside to provide financial aid to campers had been spent. That's when the fund development team at Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan decided to try a last-minute phone-a-thon in all five of the council's regions: Kalamazoo, Jackson, Saginaw, Lansing and Ann Arbor. The two-day telephone campaign brought in \$3,700, money that was used to send girls to camp during the last few weeks of the camping season.

Other elements of the



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comedian and former writer for *Saturday Night Live*.

Ward will discuss the long-term side effects from chemotherapy. She is a hematology/oncology nurse practitioner at the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute. For the last three years, she has practiced at Karmanos in hematology and has cared for many young adults

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In 1998, Rockowitz, at 28 years old, was given three months to live. He will tell his story of how he used laughter and comedy to defy the odds and survive.

The event is open to all young

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Class of 1975

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Time/Date: 4 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 17

Location: St. John Lutheran Church, 23225 Gill, Farmington Hills

Details: The Birmingham Concert Band performs a program called "Music for Symphonic Band." The concert features Danielle Mukami, Birmingham Concert Band scholarship awardee, and a special segment of Irish music; free

Contact: (248) 474-0584

Concert

Time/Date: 5 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 17

Location: Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville

Details: Gary and Ron Matthews in

concert

Contact: (248) 374-7400

CROP walk

Time/Date: 1:30 p.m. registration; 2 p.m. walk, Sunday, Oct. 17

Location: St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 Sheldon, Plymouth

Details: Raises funds for Church World Service and the Salvation Army

Contact: (734) 981-4205

Divorce support

Time/Date: 7-8 p.m. Mondays, for seven weeks beginning Oct. 18

Location: Birmingham Temple, 28611 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills

Details: Group for parents and their children (through 8th grade), "Rainbows," offered by National Council of Jewish Women, SPACE for Changing Families. \$10 registration fee; must pre-register

Contact: (248) 355-9936 or e-mail space@ncjwqds.org

Living Rosary

Time/Date: 7 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 20

Location: St. Michael the Archangel, 11441 Hubbard, just south of Plymouth Road, Livonia

Details: Biannual "Living Rosary," in which a person or small group represents each bead of the rosary and leads the prayer it represents. The ceremony is held by candlelight and as each prayer is offered, a candle is lit to represent that particular bead. The ceremony, which commemorates October as the month of the Rosary, will follow the parish's monthly day of Eucharistic Adoration in which the church is open for adoration from 10 a.m. until closing ceremonies at 7 p.m.

Contact: (734) 261-1455, Ext. 200 or visit www.livoniastmichael.org

Canton residents respond to Pakistan disaster

Several Canton residents and members of the Muslim Community of Western Suburbs will collect clothing for flood victims in Pakistan, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, at Summit on the Park, 1150 Canton Center Road, Canton.

"Our goal is to get as many items as possible to the flood victims," said Wafa Yusus, a member of the mosque and a Canton resident. "The scale of the disaster has been so bad. There is so much widespread famine and disease."

The flooding began in the summer after heavy monsoon rains and has affected more than 20 million people, according to the United Nation's Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs.

Yusus said residents held a food drive in August, and sent donations to Helping Hand, a global relief and development organization. The clothing donations will be handled by Al-Huda, which also is involved in relief efforts in Pakistan.

"We're all originally from Pakistan and that makes it dear to us," Yusus explained, adding that the group wasn't sure at first how it would respond to the crisis. "We really brainstormed."

The group is collecting gently-used or new, washed and labeled blankets, comforters, and bed sheets. It also will accept warm items for adults and children, including jackets, coats, sweaters, shoes, new socks, mufflers, gloves, hats, shawls and thermal items. Items should be labeled and sorted into these categories: Men, women, boys age 0-10, girls age 10-18, and girls age 10-18.

Volunteers also will accept dry milk in individual sachets, one-liter water bottles and cookies.

For more information call Yusus at (734) 658-9224 or Nadia at (734) 238-0595 or e-mail to Call4pakistan@gmail.com.

- By Sharon Dargay

GARDEN EVENTS

Send garden news to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@hometownlife.com

MONARCH BUTTERFLIES

The Southeast Michigan Butterfly Association will show a documentary, "Flight of the Monarch Butterfly," at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 20, at Nankin Mills Nature Center, 33175 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland. The film tells the adventure story of pilot Vico Gutierrez, who in an ultralight plane follows the Monarchs' journey to Mexico with the goal of increasing awareness about the challenges they face. Parking on Hines Dr. or Ann Arbor Trail. \$3 for non-members. For more information call (734) 326-0578 or visit www.sembabutterfly.com.

AT ENGLISH GARDENS

Learn how to put your garden "to bed" for winter at a free presentation, 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 23.

Start planning holiday decorating at a free presentation at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 30.

See holiday displays, hear caroling, and take a free photo with Santa, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7 at the store's annual holiday open house. Refreshments will be served.

Local stores are at 155 N. Maple, Ann Arbor, (734) 332-7900; 22650 Ford Road, at Outer Drive,

Dearborn Heights; (313) 278-4433; 4901 Coolidge Highway, Royal Oak; (248) 280-9500; and 6370 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield; (248) 851-7506.

CRAFT CORNER

Send information about your upcoming craft show to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@hometownlife.com. Remember to include a telephone number readers can call for more information.

LIVONIA

• Noon to 6 p.m., Friday, Oct. 22 and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23 at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh. More than 30 vendors selling handmade crafts. Lunch menu available and youth bake sale fund-raiser for goodies. Free admission. (734) 464-0990; www.riversideparkchurch.org


• Frost Middle School Craft Show is set for 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 6, at the school, 14041 Stark, west of Farmington Road, north of I-96. Admission is \$2. No strollers. (734) 744-2670.

NORTHVILLE

The Northville Christmas Market opens at 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, with the annual illuminated Christmas Parade. It will run 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20 and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21 on Main Street. The event will include 60 artisan and craft booths, free carousel rides, treats. Free admission. Visit www.michiganchristmasmarket.com.

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PSEUDOGOUT

Pseudogout will play an important role in the coming years of senior care. The term "pseudogout" refers to an arthritic condition that looks like gout, acts like gout, but is not gout. Gout crystals consist of uric acid; pseudo gout crystals are calcium pyrophosphate dihydrate.

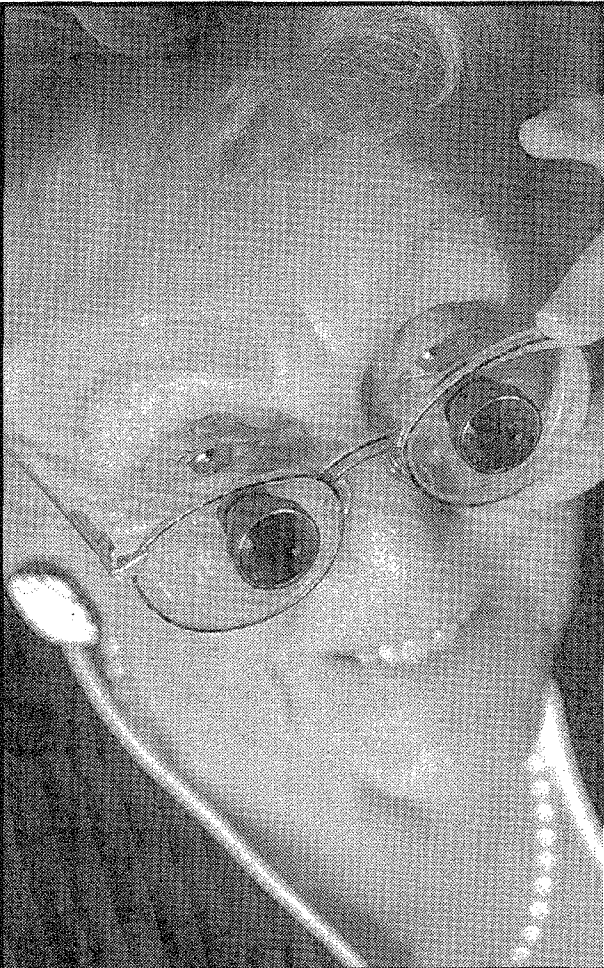
Gout most often strikes men between age 45-70, pseudogout appears in men and women in a nearly equal distribution, and is the dominant form of crystalline arthropathy in both men and women over age 80. Physicians are gaining awareness of the presence of pseudogout as the advanced aging population increases.

Doctors realize the importance of recognizing that pseudogout, not gout is behind an attack of sudden foot, ankle or knee pain in the elderly. Pseudogout requires different treatment from gout; the usual medications for gout such as Allopurinol and Uloric, have no effect in preventing or treating pseudogout attacks. Colchicine, a drug that has a 4,000 year history in treating gout also is of little benefit in pseudogout.

On the other hand, cortisone, either by mouth or by injection, is effective in stopping an attack of gout or pseudogout. Injecting steroid into the inflamed joint is the best therapy as the medication immediately reaches the site where it is needed. At the same time the needle delivers the medication, the physician can obtain fluid and identify under a microscope that the joint inflammation does indeed come from pseudogout.

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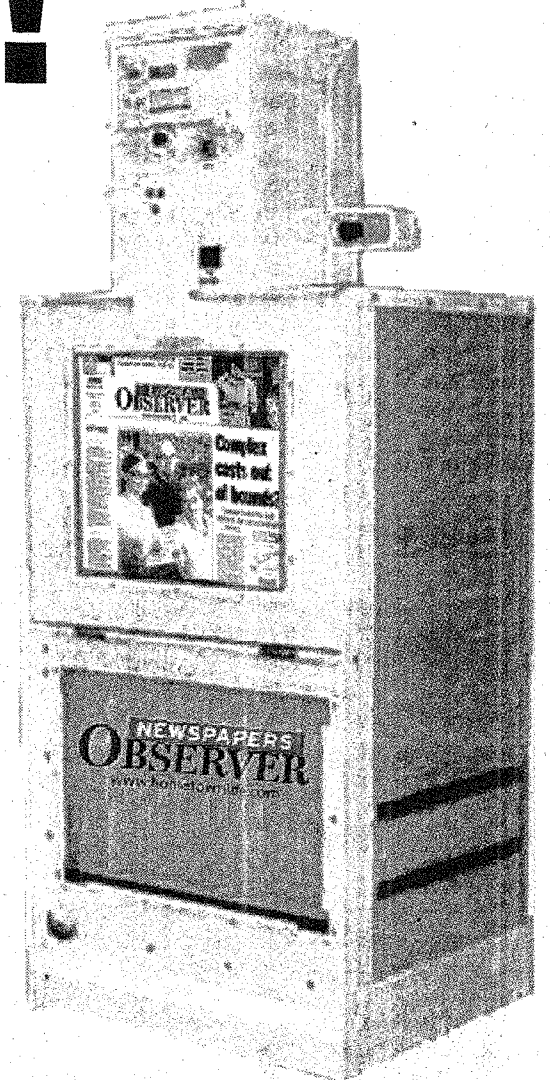
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Sondra and Jack Felsot are glad to call downtown Farmington home.

"Farmington to me is the best place to live," Sondra Felsot said. "Everything's accessible. Everything you need is here. The people who live in this neighborhood are wonderful people."

The Felsots, who've lived in their late 1800s home for about 16 years, recently had it renovated with the help of Guy Jones Sr. of Signature Siding and Trim. The couple praises the artistry of his work, along with the fact that they won't need to paint again.

The couple, parents to two grown children, doesn't know the exact year their home was built. Sondra looked through local author Brian Golden's *Farmington*:

A Pictorial Historical Photograph Collection. The book has photos of the home, next to the Salem Church. The home was moved on logs in 1905, as was its carriage house, which remains.

The home was placed on a full basement, she said, and the former porch enclosed for a front room.

"So they actually remodeled in their own little way."

Only a handful of owners, including a watchmaker, have lived there. The family the Felsots bought from did renovation, but much of the home remains Victorian in style, with a modern stove in the kitchen but no dishwasher.

THE RIGHT PRO

Sondra needed the house painted and had trouble finding the right pro.

"I was antiquing with

my husband and I saw his work," she said of Jones. He did all the siding by hand, putting pieces of various signs in intricate designs, including around windows.

Sondra Felsot is an artist who does folk art, acrylic on canvas. She commissions her work and has some in their home. Her husband's a food broker.

She's thrilled with the look of their home.

"He's very talented. He's an artist," Jones created different looks from varied colors.

"He totally guided me," she said. "I knew what I wanted." She wanted to preserve the Victorian look.

Gutters were installed to match. The exterior had been stucco, which was removed down to the wood.

Jones put in the windows and their trim, achieving a wood look with materials

that won't need repainting. "I absolutely recommend him," she said. "He gets the job done. You don't have to be there, worrying."

"You have an artist doing your house. He's one of a kind and he does everything with love," added Felsot, who was glad to invest in local property values for her community.

He did a girlfriend's house in West Bloomfield after she saw their home, said Felsot, who'd like to rent some of their furniture and bric a brac for local movie productions.

LABOR OF LOVE

Jones, who lives in Holly but travels for work, has been doing this work some 35 years, since he was 17. He had a brain aneurysm in 1991 and wanted to focus on quality work.

"I'm still enjoying every



Sondra Felsot outside her home in Farmington.

minute I get to work," Jones said.

He did a former law office in Farmington in 1998, now a music store, and received

a mayor's award. The Felsot project presented new challenges.

"That all had to be scraped off with a chisel," Jones said of the stucco. The Felsot project took about five weeks, with the couple remaining in their home.

He took out trees and shrubs for them.

"It is a really pretty house. The garage came out nice, too," Jones said.

They'll need no maintenance other than an annual hosing down of dust with a garden hose. Jones said he's been busy the last 20 years at his craft, with things slowing down this year.

"I was very excited about how it turned out," he said of the couple's home. "It makes it more fun."

Jones can be reached at www.signaturesidingandtrim.com or by phone at (586) 406-0024.

Sondra Felsot in her late 1800s home in Farmington.



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HELEN J. (nee Beattie) BEASLEY

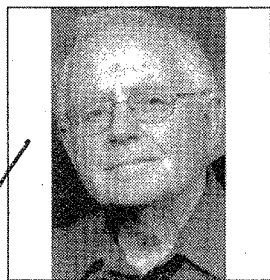
Born November 16, 1920, passed away October 12, 2010. Beloved wife of the late Judge William R. Beasley of Bingham Farms and Ferndale. Dearest mother of Susan Stepek (Daniel), Anne Stone (Timothy), Jill M., and William Andrew (Sara Hofman). Dear grandmother of Peter Stepek, Paul Stone, Sarah Stone, David Stone, Jane Mackie, Samuel Mackie, Robin Beasley, Jack Beasley, Katy Hofman, and Matt Hofman. Great-grandmother of Elizabeth Stone Elbow. Predeceased by her parents, Frank and Helen Beattie, sister Pat Kelly, and brother, Robert Beattie. Also survived by four nieces and many admiring and loving friends. Memorial service at First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham, 1669 W. Maple Rd., Birmingham, Sunday 2 p.m. Private burial to take place at White Chapel Cemetery, Troy.

View obituary and share memories at: www.DesmondFuneralHome.com



MICHAEL C. DERSCHA

Passed away suddenly October 9, 2010 at the age of 52. Beloved husband of Ann, step-father of John (Erik) Insana and Michael (Jaclyn) Tocco, loving son of Joseph (Sue) and the late Diane, dear brother of Carol (Mickey) Luginski, Andy (Tammy) DiSalvo, Richard (Sandra) and Neil. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Visitation at the Sterling Heights Chapel of Bagnasco & Calcaterra Funeral Home, 13650 E. Fifteen Mile Road (at Schoenherr), Tuesday 2-9pm with Rosary at 7:00 pm. Funeral Wednesday at 11:00am at the Funeral Home. Donations to Meals on Wheels would be appreciated. Memories to be shared at: www.bcfh.com



PAUL T. DOBBS

Age 72, October 8, 2010. Loving Husband of April, Beloved father of Elizabeth (George) Fomin, Beverly (Brad) Bauer, Amy (Peter) Mianowski, and Catherine (Michael) Peltz. Proud Grandfather of Grant Fomin, Justin and Eric Mianowski, and Dear brother of Juanda Maurice. A memorial service will be held Sat., Oct. 16, 2010 at 11 am at St. John Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon Rd. (Sheldon Rd. South of Ann Arbor Trail). To share a memory with the family please visit: www.vermeulenfuneralhome.com



MARILYN L. (TONI) LAWRENCE

Age 80, of Livonia, died Wednesday, Oct. 6, 2010 at American House in Livonia. She was born Feb. 16, 1930, in Ypsilanti, Mich. to Eby and Winnifred Gault. She married William (Bud) Lawrence on June 14, 1952, and he survives. She loved going out to eat and buying trinkets for her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. Toni is survived by her husband, Bud, two sons, William John (Sarah) Lawrence of Westland, and William Mike (Anne-Marie) Lawrence of Shelbyville, IN; one daughter, Jeanne (Jon) Doyel of Onsted, MI; two sisters, Marge (Hubert) Bowick of Eastley S.C., and Virginia Wagner of Belleville MI. She was preceded in death by a son, William Fred. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Oct. 23, at 11:00 am, at Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, MI. Memorial contributions may be made to Garden City Presbyterian Church memorial fund.

ROBERT KRAJEWSKI

Age 76 of Warren. He passed away on Aug. 22, 2010 in Warren. Robert was born on March 19, 1934 in Detroit, MI. He was the youngest of 11 children of Mary and Stanley Krajewski. Husband of Ruth Ann Krajewski for 48 years. Brother of Virginia Rochester. Brother in law of Eleanor E. Smith. Many nieces and nephews. Served in the U. S. Navy. A member of St. Pius the 10th K of C in Warren. Worked as a barber for many years before retiring and was an avid boater. Memorial Service on Oct. 23, 2010 at 11:00 am at St. Anne's Catholic Church (on Mound between 13 and 14 Mile), Warren. Arrangements by Hopcroft Funeral Home.

KEVIN M. MCMANAMON

Age 26, of Madison, TN, formerly of Redford, MI, died Oct. 6, 2010. Son of Michael (Ann) & Barb Sullivan. Brother of Renee. Service was held Oct. 11 at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. of South Lyon (248) 446-1171.



DENISE LYNN MOUHOT

Age 54. Sunrise: September 13, 1956 - Sunset: October 14, 2010. Born in Detroit, she was the first of three children of John Daniel Mouhot and Doris Ann Seppanen. Denise devoted her life to helping others - as a nurse, counselor, friend. She is survived by her siblings Judith Ann Masterson and Daniel James Mouhot, her partner Robert G. (Greg) Smith, as well as many extended relatives and dear friends. She was a humble, dedicated, compassionate angel who touched the lives of all who were blessed to know her. A celebration of her life will take place on Saturday, October 23 at 10:00 a.m. at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 9300 Farmington Road, Livonia, MI (btwn W. Chicago and Joy Road). In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. Joseph Mercy Cancer Center, Ann Arbor, MI. Please visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com to share your memories and condolences.



JANE BOYD MURPHY

A long-time resident of Bloomfield Hills, passed away October 10, 2010 after a courageous confrontation with cancer. She was 75 years young. A Michigan girl to her bones, Jane graduated from Baldwin High School and Penn Hall Girl's School. She was a talented designer known for a deft and fearless aesthetic matched only by her tireless sense of humor. Those who knew her admired her compassion, her wit and love of life, as well her commitment to many good causes. Jane was a member of the Orchard Lake Country Club, the Harbor Pointe Golf Club, the Village Club, Les Jardinières Garden Club, W.O.W. and Nifty. Beloved wife of the late William V. Dear mother of Scott and Chip (Kim). Grandmother of Grace, Hayes and Colby. Sister of Judy Vanderzee. Memorial service Friday October 29th 2p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 1589 W. Maple, Birmingham, Michigan 48009. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers family suggests memorial tributes to First United Methodist Church of Birmingham or The Village Club Foundation, 190 E. Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48304. A.J. Desmond & Sons 248-549-0500

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JEROME EDWARD MULDOON

Age 85, October 12, 2010. Beloved husband of Sarah. Loving father of Jack (the late Sue), Timothy (Tina), the late Norman, Douglas (Stephanie) Muldoon, Barbara (John) Salvadore and Kathleen (Dave) Nakoneczny. Dear grandfather of nine and great-grandfather of one. Brother of Douglas Muldoon and Barbara Donahue. A Memorial Mass will be held at 11:00 AM, Wednesday, October 27, 2010 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 440 E. Washington, Howell, MI 48843. In lieu of flowers contributions may be directed to the Muldoon family. Share a memory of Jerome at: www.rggharris.com

JOYCE MYRTLE NAIR

Hamburg, MI. 79 years old. Born in Cincinnati, Ohio on October 24, 1930 to Carl and Ethel Honaker. Married George Nair and had three daughters; Nancy (John) Poelstra of Pinckney, Debbie (Scott) Welser of Hamburg and Cynthia Carpenter of Marquette, MI. George preceded her in death in 1993. For the past 13 years she dated her dear friend Edwin Mayes who has been by her side since the automobile accident that occurred September 2, 2010 that eventually took her life on October 8, 2010. Mom was an exceptional person who was her happiest when with her family. A perfect time for Mom was having her family over for dinner, celebrating a birthday or holiday and relaxing by the fireplace listening to her grandchildren talk about their sports, college or children. Mom also loved doing her church accounting job even though older age had robbed her of much of her sight. Mom loved sitting on her front porch with Ed and her grandchildren feeding the squirrels that would come with in arms reach to get their food. She taught her grandchildren to love nature, to take time to enjoy the beautiful aspects of life, and kindness to animals. Grandchildren include; Ashley, Jennifer and Christian Poelstra, Shanna Driscoll, Becky Franklin and Andy Tassin, and Jessica, David and Jordan Welser. Great grandchildren include Madelyn Driscoll and Aiden Franklin. A Healing Farewell was held 11:00AM Tuesday, October 12, 2010 at St. Paul Lutheran Church with Rev. Evan Gaertner officiating. Memorial contributions are suggested to your local animal shelter. Please leave a Message of Comfort to Joyce's family by calling 877-231-7900 or visit her guestbook at www.borekjennings.com

NORMAN S. PATALON

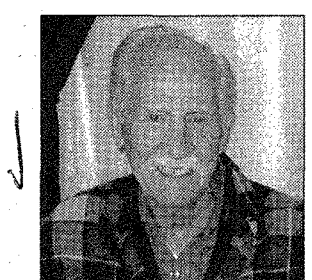
Age 73, passed away, October 8, 2010 in Traverse City. He was born on March 27, 1937 in Detroit, son of the late Sylvester and Maryann Patalon. Norm was a loving and devoted husband, father and grandfather. In 1998 following 32 years of dedicated service, he retired as an accountant from Ford Motor Co. After his retirement, Norm and his wife Annette moved to Houghton Lake where they became active members of St. James Catholic Church. He enjoyed fishing, golfing, bowling, boating, camping and dancing. He loved music, especially polka and big band. He was a fan of the Detroit Lions, Tigers, Pistons and Red Wings. Norm led an active life with many interests, but his true love was his beloved wife and his loving family. He will be greatly missed. He is survived by: his wife Annette of 51 years, his children, Suzette (Dan) Lixie, Kathleen (Paul) Parzuchowski, Mark (Jill) Patalon and Christopher (Tracey) Patalon. He, "Papa" is also survived by his grandchildren, Brittany, Erin, Samantha, J.P., Mitchell and Nicholas, his sister Dorothy LaFave and his brother Jerry Patalon. He was preceded in death by his sisters Dolores and Christine. Visitation was held on Tuesday, October 12th from 2 - 9 p.m. with Rosary prayed at 7 p.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. A Funeral Mass was held on Wednesday, October 13th at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, South Lyon. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph Catholic Church C/O The Norman S. Patalon stained glass window or American Kidney Foundation. Online Guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com

RICHARD PETERSON

"Richard Roy the Cowboy"

Age 21, October 10, 2010 of Westland, formerly of Garden City. Beloved son of Michelle. Loving brother of Sarah, Steven and Jessica Peterson. Dear grandson of Norma Randazzo and Joseph (Sharon) Randazzo. Dear uncle of Daniel. Nephew of Cindy Tamacki, Joseph Randazzo, Jr., and Cristy (Dan) Cox. Great-nephew of William Randazzo & Nina Kalmata. Also survived by his father Timmy, and many cousins and friends. In state Thursday 9am at SS Simon & Jude Catholic Church, 32500 Palmer Rd., Westland, followed

by a Funeral Mass at 10:00 a.m. Visitation was held at R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home in Garden City. Please sign Richard's on-line guestbook at www.rggharris.com



HERBERT LEE PEACH

Age 81, passed away September 22, 2010. Herb, a Navy veteran, was preceded in death by his beloved wife Rose in 2003. He is survived by his beloved children: Shannon Patterson, Christie Hults and Michael (Monica) Peach; grandchildren: Kelly (Hector) Lopez, Darcy (Luke) Madsen, Tracy Sprague, Heather Patterson, Melissa Joy Cooley, Tristan Peach, Christiana Peach and Ariana Peach; great-grandchildren: Tyler Sprague, Faith Rose Madsen, Brook Madsen, Emma Madsen, Gracelynn Madsen and Aiden Cooley. Memorial service is Saturday, October 16, 2010 at the Salvation Army Church, 26700 W. Warren Road, Dearborn Heights, MI. at 1:00pm. Donations may be made to the American Heart Association in lieu of flowers.

SUSAN (Roberts) RIGNEY

Bradenton FL, formerly of Westland & Garden City, MI. Passed away October 9, 2010. Born May 24, 1966 in Phoenix, AZ. Local memorial service to be held at a later date. Please contact Kristy Hickson for further information at: jhk6@aol.com

VICTOR L. WILKINSON

Age 75

JUDITH A. WILKINSON

Age 70

Passed away Saturday October 9, 2010 following injuries received in an automobile accident in Tennessee.

VICTOR, born on March 31st 1935 in Beaverton to Irvin and Alice (Hughes) Wilkinson, he was preceded in death by his brother Vern and sister Magdalene. He is survived by brothers, Dwight, Robert and sisters Mildred and Mary. Mr. Wilkinson graduated from Hartford HS in 1953 and Michigan Tech University receiving a B.S. of Metallurgy. He also served in the US Army a 1st Lt. He worked in the Aeronautics Industry for General Electric and Howmet Corp. as the General Manager at facilities in Plymouth MI and Exeter, England. He maintained a thriving sales business for several years after Howmet.

JUDITH, born on July 2nd 1940 in Alton, IL to Dana D. and Margaret L. (Engle) Heter is survived by brothers Tom, Dana II, and sisters Betty and Cynthia.

Both Victor and Judith are survived by children Vicki (Mike) Yurick, Jennifer (Paul) Cooper, Bruce (Tracey) Wilkinson, Pamela (Greg) Zinn, and seven grandchildren (Sean, Colin, Andrea, Sydney, Bryan, Marissa, and Cameron).

Judith graduated from Parkview H.S. Springfield MO in 1958. She met and married Victor on November 21st, 1959 while Victor was stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, MO. They made their first home in Michigan (Royal Oak, Farmington, and Northville). Upon retiring, Victor and Judith continued to make wonderful memories while sharing in a Bed and Breakfast (Macon GA) and an Antique trading business. Visitation for Victor and Judith is to be held on Friday, October 15th from 4-8 pm, and a service on Saturday at 11:00am at Keehn Funeral Home, 706 West Main St. Brighton, MI. A Memorial for friends in TN to be held in November (details to follow). In lieu of flowers the family has suggested making contributions to World Vision International or to the United Way.

FREDERICK H. WRIGHT III

Age 77, of Gaylord, passed away at his residence on October 10, 2010. He was born in Detroit on December 19, 1932 to Frederick J. II and Edna Belle (Warner) Wright. Fred lived a majority of his life in Livonia. He worked for the Detroit Times/News and then Observer Eccentric for 30 years, retiring in 1993. Following his retirement, he moved to Gaylord where he owned and operated the Nordmaire Resort. He was known as "Uncle Fred" to the kids at the resort whose families would make the resort their annual destination point. Mr. Wright belonged to the Shu-Ban Shriner's Snowmobiling Club, Shriner's Yacht Club, and the Multi-Lakes Sportsman Club. He was a member of the Royal Order of Jesters with the Masonic Lodge 151 in Farmington, and a current member of the Gaylord Masonic Lodge. Fred enjoyed listening to Big Band and Frank Sinatra music. He is survived by his wife, Suzie; children, Fred Jr. of Fowlerville, Steven (Gayle) of Tenn., Ron of Gaylord, David (Robin) of TX; four grandchildren, Wesley, Julie, Evan, and Olivia; sisters, Gail (Sam) Corrado and Patricia (Casey) Jones. He was preceded in death by his parents; and siblings, Merlin Perisot, Betty Jane LeMerise, and Frank John. FUNERAL SERVICES will take place on Thursday, October 14, 2010 at 1 p.m. from the Nelson Funeral Home, with Fr. Matthew Wigton, officiating. The Gaylord Masonic Lodge will also offer a service on Thursday. VISITATION will take place on Thursday beginning at 11 a.m. Contributions in memory of Frederick J. Wright III may be made to Shriner's, for the burned, crippled children's fund. Friends may share condolences online at: www.nelsonsfuneralhome.com

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MILESTONES



Robert and Eleanor Mullins of Garden City on their wedding day and in a contemporary photo.

60th anniversary

Robert and Eleanor Mullins of Garden City celebrated 60 years of marriage on Sept. 16. They were married in 1950 in Detroit.

Robert retired from Great Lakes Plastics in Salem after a 50-year career. Eleanor is a homemaker.

They're active in the Garden City First United Methodist Church.

Their children are Elaine (David) Monks of Kentwood, Sandra (Kenneth) Haraburda of Caledonia, Daniel (Patti) Mullins of Columbia, Md., Laura (Tim) O'Connell of Milford, and Jennifer (John) Ness of Birmingham.

They also have 19 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

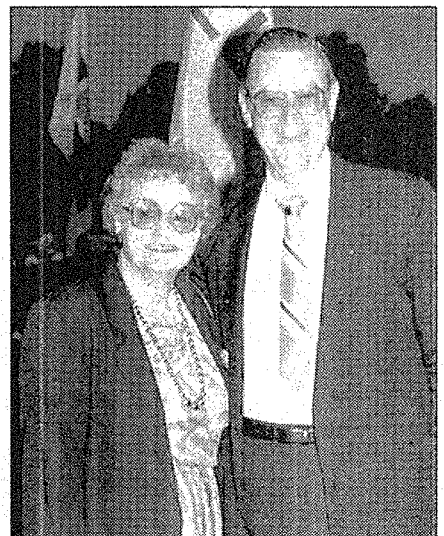
The couple marked their marriage milestone with a trip to the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island. They also celebrated with their family at a restaurant in Plymouth.

69th anniversary

Felix and Geraldine "Betty" (Brown) Rotter of Plymouth Township, formerly of Southwest Detroit, Lincoln Park and Grosse Ile, celebrated 69 years of marriage on Aug. 30.

They are the parents of Carol Sabatini of Grand Rapids, Susan Kalis of Canon, and Frederick Rotter in Brownstown.

For many years, Betty served as president of The Camp Fire Girls of Metro Detroit. In 1981 Felix received the "Citizen of the Year" award from the Grosse Ile Rotary Club.



Felix Rotter and Geraldine (Betty) Brown of Plymouth Township

20th anniversary

John and Tammy Henderson of Garden City will mark their 20th anniversary on Oct. 20, 2010.

The former high school sweethearts were married in 1990 at the Church of God in Wayne.

Tammy is a homemaker and John works for Mclanes.

They have two children, Cheyenne, 16, and Colton, 12.

The couple will celebrate with a night on the town.



John and Tammy Henderson of Garden City on their wedding day 20 years ago.

November 2011 wedding

Jim and Peggy Schram of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Maureen, to Matthew Corbett, son of Ed Corbett and Carol Willey of Dover, Del.

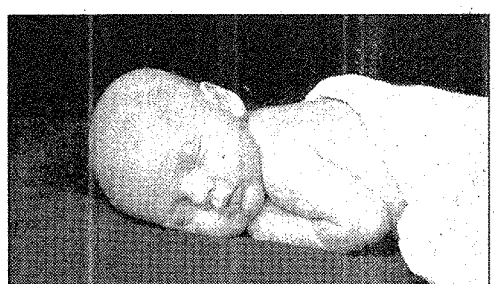
The bride-to-be is a 2004 graduate of Churchill High School and a 2008 graduate of Central Michigan University with a bachelor's degree in business administration. She is a first lieutenant in the U.S. Army.

Her fiancé is a 2002 graduate of Caesar Rodney Senior High School and a 2006 graduate of The University of Delaware, with a bachelor's degree in computer sciences. He is a captain in the U.S. Army.

Jack Michael Eberhart

Michele Barkoot and Randy Eberhart of Ann Arbor announce the birth of their son, Jack Michael Eberhart, born Aug. 13, 2009, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia.

Grandparents are Nancy Lanzetta of Northville and the late Michael Barkoot; and Jan and Rich Eberhart of Westland.



Jack Michael Eberhart

HEALTH

Sunday, October 17, 2010

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Angela Hospice to 'Light Up a Life' on Nov. 13

It was in 1985 that Angela Hospice first began serving patients facing a terminal diagnosis. Working out of a small office at Madonna University, Sister Mary Giovanni and a small handful of volunteers began providing home hospice care.

But the journey to that important first day for Angela Hospice and its founder started years before. In the 1970s, trained and practicing as a registered nurse with degrees from Madonna University, Sister Giovanni began looking into a new type of medical care appearing in the U.S. Going by the name of "hospice," this care blended age-old principles with modern medical advancements to enhance the lives of terminally ill patients. Years of research and dedication brought her dreams to fruition when Angela Hospice was founded under the direction of the

Felician Sisters.

Next month Angela Hospice will mark 25 years of caring for the community of Southeast Michigan with a gala event.

"There are so many stories I could tell," said Sister Giovanni, president and CEO of Angela Hospice, "of the many amazing people we've met these past 25 years, and the wonderful families that have welcomed us into their homes and into their lives to help care for their loved one at such a sacred time."

Angela Hospice has made a name for itself in the community, having cared for thousands of patients over 25 years — from patients who have celebrated their 100th birthdays, to those just minutes old.

"It has been such a blessing to be able to serve so many people," said Sister Giovanni. "It has always been with the



Sister Mary Giovanni outside the expanded Angela Hospice facility.

support of our donors and community friends who have helped us to carry out our work as a nonprofit, and who have most recently partnered with us to create this beautiful building we now occupy."

The Angela Hospice Care Center, which originally opened in 1994 as the first freestanding hospice facility in Michigan, opened a new state-of-the-art patient wing in April, expanding the



Sister Mary Giovanni at Madonna College in 1985.

hospice's inpatient capacity from 16 to 32 private patient rooms. Although most hospice patients choose to receive care in their homes, the Angela Hospice Care Center provides an alternative for patients without a caregiver at home, or for those with an illness that demands around the clock medical care.

Angela Hospice will celebrate its work at Light Up a Life Benefit 25th Anniversary

Gala. The event will run 6-11 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 13, at Laurel Manor in Livonia. Fine dining, an open bar, auctions, raffles, dancing, and the 16-piece Monroe Big Band will be featured. Reservations are \$100 per person and are due by Oct. 29.

Call Barb Iovan at (734) 953-6045, or visit www.AskForAngela.com for information.

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

OCTOBER

Bipolar class

Jacqueline Castine, author of *I Wish I Could Fix It, But ...* and a community education specialist for the Oakland County Community Mental Health Authority, will lead a class, "Living with Bipolar Disorder," 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 21, at The Community House, 380 South Bates, Birmingham. The author will share her personal story of living with bipolar disorder and discuss supports and services for people with mental illness and family members. She'll teach success stories for coping with mental illness and offer information on how to respond to family members or friends who struggle with mental illness and addictions, especially those who refuse to seek help. Class fee is \$25 and Castine's book can be purchased for \$14 at either class. Register for the Livonia session by calling Sharon at (734) 744-2602 and for the Birmingham session at (248) 644-5832.

Blood drive

St. Mary Mercy Hospital and the American Red Cross plan a drive, 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, in the auditorium at the hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. Donors will receive a small bag of wrapped candy and a free St. Mary Mercy lunch bag. To schedule an appointment call (800) GIVE-LIFE, or visit redcrossblood.org. Walk-ins are accepted, but appointments are preferred.

Health workshop

The National Kidney Foundation of Michigan presents a free health workshop from 9:30 a.m.-noon, Fridays, through Oct. 22 to help individuals

manage long term health conditions. The Personal Action Toward Health (PATH) class will meet at Royal Oak Township Recreation Department on 21272 Mendota, in Ferndale. The PATH workshop provides information and skills to adults with chronic health conditions such as arthritis, heart disease, chronic kidney disease, diabetes, bronchitis, asthma and depression. Workshops are run by trained leaders who hold informal, small-group discussions and provide easy-to-understand course materials. Facilitators explain ways to reduce pain and stress, cope with fatigue, use medications wisely, and benefit from exercise. The PATH program is suited for both the newly diagnosed as well as those seeking more aggressive management. To register, or for more information, contact the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan at (734) 222-9800.

Massage, Mammograms

St. Mary Mercy Hospital presents "Massages, Manicures, Mammograms & More!" 9 a.m.-noon, Saturday, Oct. 23, in the hospital's South Lobby. Participants will learn about women's health topics, including breast health, the latest in breast screening detection, cancer prevention, and heart health. They'll also get a chance to pamper themselves with a manicure or massage. The first 100 individuals through the door will receive a free Mary Kay hand cream. An "Ask the Experts" panel is slated for 9:30 a.m. Health screenings, Zumba, yoga and cooking demonstrations, food, refreshments, giveaways, massages, manicures and health presentations start at 9 a.m. Mammograms must be scheduled in advance and require a doctor's order. To schedule a mam-

mogram or register for the event, call (734) 655-1182. St. Mary Mercy Hospital is located at 36475 Five Mile in Livonia.

Sibling tour

Children ages 1-13 may attend the sibling tour and learn how much fun it can be to be a big brother or big sister. They'll see what the new baby will look like and learn the safe way to hold the new baby, and talk about how it feels to be a big brother or big sister. Good sibling preparation can minimize a child's feelings of anxiety and jealousy with the coming of a new baby. Cost is \$10 per family. The session runs from 10-11:30 a.m. Oct. 30 at the hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia.

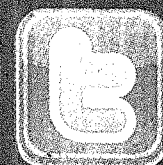
Thyroid cancer support

Free support group for cancer patients, survivors, as well as their family members and friends, will meet 7-8:30 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 27, at 1641 Charlevoix Drive, Troy. (248) 515-0348

NOVEMBER

Baby basics

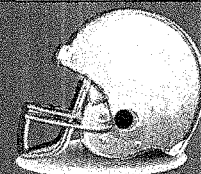
St. Mary Mercy Hospital will offer a class in infant care and breastfeeding from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, in classrooms 1 and 2 at the hospital, 36475 Five Mile in Livonia. The class will teach the skills of feeding, bathing, diapering, skin care, soothing and safety. Participants should bring a stuffed animal or doll to use during a demonstration on how to hold the baby when breastfeeding. The fee is \$55 per couple. To register call (734) 655-1162 or visit stmarymercy.org and click on "classes and events."



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Learn about various topics on women's health:

- "Ask the Experts" - panel of physician experts on women's health
- Learn about heart health, obstetrics, oncology, radiology, physical fitness and more
- Information on breast self-exams
- Health screenings
- Massages and mini manicures (free!), limited space available
- Mammograms (must be scheduled in advance)*
- Skin care
- Zumba and Yoga demonstrations
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- Cooking demonstrations
- Food & refreshments
- Giveaways (while supplies last) and drawings for great prizes!

This event is free, but registration is recommended.

To register, call 734-655-1182 or visit stmarymercy.org and click Classes & Events.

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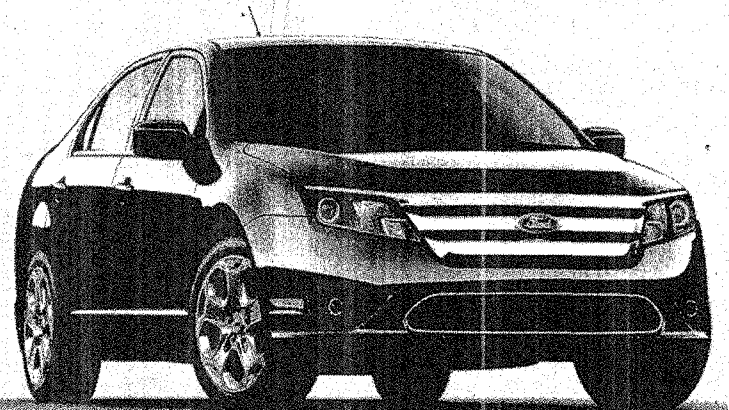
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