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District makes grade on state's report card

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

When it comes to educating students, the Wayne-Westland Community Schools district is making the grade.

That's the word from Michigan Department of Education which gave the district an emphatic yes on its Education YES! School Report Card for the 2005-06 school year.

"We're very pleased that all of our schools and the entire school district made AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress)," said Wayne-

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Westland School Superintendent Greg Baracy. "That speaks highly of the hard work our teachers and administrators are doing in the schools and in the classrooms. It means we met the threshold of the No Child Left Behind legislation which is not easy to do."

The report cards as a compilation of student

scores on state assessment tests, AYP designation, and in various self-reported, school performance indicators, such as family involvement in the schools, curriculum, student attendance and professional development for teachers.

Statewide, 539 districts made AYP this year, compared to 520 last year, bringing the state to within 1.5 percent of having 100 percent of districts making the grade.

In Wayne-Westland, 10 of the district's 17 elementaries received a letter a grade of A. The other seven elementaries received a B as did the

district's four middle schools and Wayne Memorial High School. John Glenn High School received a C due in part to one subgroup of students not making AYP in mathematics for the year.

"Both high schools made AYP individually, but not combined as part of the school district," said Baracy. "It's the way the numbers fell."

Only one building, the Tinkham Alternative High School did not make AYP. The district plans to appeal the score since there were only

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RED ... white and blue

Members of the John Glenn High School marching band strut their stuff in new uniforms that feature cavalier hats and emphasize blue. The band officially debuted the uniforms during a pregame show Aug. 31.



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Collaboration with Meijer puts Glenn band in new uniforms

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

Out with the red, in with the blue, that's the word for the John Glenn High School marching band which is sporting brand-new uniforms this season.

The band showed off its new duds during the half-time show of the opening game of the football season, although it provided a sneak

peak last May when members wore the uniforms in the city's annual Memorial Day parade.

"The uniforms we replaced were purchased in 1989, the last time the band wore them was last November," said band director Scott Cramer. "The new uniforms are red, white and blue on top with blue-black pants. The old uniforms were white pants with a red jacket. The preponderance of color was red and

we've changed over to blue."

The school and band boosters began fund-raising the close to \$50,000 needed for new uniforms, hats and raincoats two years ago, thinking the process would take four to five years. But with help from the Westland Meijer store, the time was more than cut in half.

"From the time Meijer stepped in and the uniforms arrived and the kids wore them was two years," said Principal Joan Sedik.

According to Cramer, the



Allison Cote plays sousaphone in the Rocket Marching Band.

PLEASE SEE UNIFORMS, A5

New law prompts city to amend zoning ordinance

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

Change is coming to the Westland Zoning Board of Appeals and it's a change that will end up costing the city money.

The changes contained in an ordinance introduced before the City Council last week are the result of a new state law that consolidated three state zoning laws governing townships, counties and cities and villages into one act.

"The changes are necessary because we have to comply with state law," said Assistant City Attorney Mark McConnell. "What was applicable to townships is now applicable to everybody."

The new law changes the way the city handles such things as zoning variances. Where it once sent notices to residences within 300 feet of the property or a notice to the office, if it was an apartment complex, the city must now deliver notices to all occupants within the area. It also must publish a notice in the city's official newspaper not less than 15 days before the meeting, describing the nature of the request, when and where it will be considered and when and where written comments can be received.

"It's probably going to cost us an additional \$70-\$90 a meeting depending on the meeting's agenda," said City Clerk Eileen DeHart. "It's probably \$1,000 a year in additional costs. That's not bad, but we don't have a line item for it in the budget."

"It's silly, because the city already gives notice by first class mail," added McConnell. "Now they have to notify residents by mail and put it in the newspaper."

The new law which took effect immediately also requires that a member of the Planning Commission must serve on the ZBA. It also gives the Planning Commission the powers of a zoning commission. The most controversial part of the new law is appointing a member of the city's Planning Commission to the ZBA. To keep an odd number of members, the council, which appoints members to the two commissions, would have to either increase the size of the board or remove a current member.

The council is taking the former route, with Councilman James Godbout offering an amendment that would increase the ZBA to nine members.

"We need an odd number, so we need to add one rather than remove an existing member," he said. "It'll have nine members plus one alternate."

That, too, will cost the city money. ZBA members receive \$60 per meeting and with two new members, the cost will jump another \$2,440 per year.

"I don't think the Legislature realized the ramifications until the law was in effect," said DeHart. "They made the standards statewide, they didn't realize everyone has different checks and balances."

Friends of Village turn to vaudeville for Octagon House benefit

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

The sights and sounds of vaudeville will come alive Thursday, Oct. 5, when the Friends of the Westland Historic Village Park host The Petticoat Ladies - and men - in "Old Time Vaudeville."

The performance will be at 7 p.m. at the Westland Senior Friendship Center and will feature theater-style seating for the show.

"It's going to be interesting, it's going to be fun," said Jo Johnson. "We talked to Peggy (Ellenwood, Friendship Center director) and she

said a lot of seniors are asking about that kind of a show."

The vaudeville show will include historical presentations, singing, dancing and comedy. In addition to the show, there also will be a drawing for door prizes.

Johnson and fellow Friends members saw The Petticoat Ladies perform at Schoolcraft College and decided to book them as a fund-raiser for the Octagon House. If the show goes over as big as they hope, they'll book the troupe for another show next year.

The Octagon House is slowly being readied to open to the public.

Students from the Construction Trades class at the William D. Ford Career Technical Center re-sided the house last spring and will be back this fall to work on the interior.

The city also will be taking care of the water and sewer work, "so hopefully by spring we'll be able to open it," Johnson said.

Tickets cost \$6 for adults and \$5 for senior citizens. Advanced tickets are recommended. They are available by calling Johnson at (734) 522-3918, Georgia Becker at (734) 729-1605, the Friendship Center at (734) 722-7628 or the Bailey Recreation Center at (734) 722-7620.

The Petticoat Ladies got their start, doing "The First Ladies of the Victorian Era" at Garden City Presbyterian Church's annual Victorian Teas. A guest asked that they do the performance for her ladies group, and one thing led to another, according to member Gail Smalley.

"We ended up at the Plymouth Historical Museum, and after an article about us, the phone has been ringing off the hook," she said.

The Petticoat Ladies are a nonprofit group that works on a donation basis. The money the group receives goes toward the church or for mission

work or charities.

"There are currently nine of us in the group, and there is a lot of camaraderie amongst us," Smalley said. "We help each other out with research or costumes and we have a great time traveling around the area."

In addition to their vaudeville show, The Petticoat Ladies' also have historical programs about Women of the Old West and Queen Victoria's Daughters.

"Our Motto is 'Have Petticoat, Will Travel,'" said Smalley. For more information about The Petticoat Ladies, call Gail Smalley at (734) 422-2463. smason@hometownlife.com | (734) 953-2112

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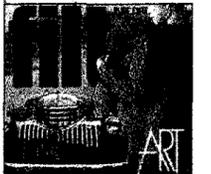
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Coming Thursday



Birmingham's Art in the Park is one of summer's last festivals.

Sweep nets noncompliant sex offenders

BY LEANNE ROGERS
STAFF WRITER

As most local youngsters returned to school, a two-day joint operation last week resulted in the arrest of 17 registered sex offenders for failing to meet state sex offender registry requirements.

Officers of from the Wayne County Sheriff's Department and the Metro Street Enforcement Team had targeted sex offenders in six suburban communities - Westland, Livonia, Garden City, Taylor, Inkster and Romulus - as part of Operation Safe Passage.

"We have done sweeps before for sex offenders who were wanted on warrants. This was a little different," said Sheriff Warren Evans. "We looked at their history to see if they were not registered appropriately or failed to change their addresses, then we sought warrants. We were being more proactive."

Sex offenders are particular-

ly troubling to law enforcement, Evans said, due to high recidivism rate. Also, 10 of the 31 targeted offenders had victimized minors, he noted.

During their investigation, officers uncovered 31 instances in which individuals had failed to comply with the Sex Offender Registry Act, either by failing to report their new address to authorities, or for neglecting to verify their address on a periodic basis. Depending on the case, failure to do so can result in a new 93-day misdemeanor or four-year felony charge.

While arresting 17 suspects - more than half those sought - is an accomplishment, Evans pointed to the additional 46 visits officers made to the homes of registered sex offenders to make sure they were in compliance with their registry requirements.

"I strongly believe that we have to build accountability, that the offenders know they will get caught if they don't

comply," said Evans. "Those who weren't arrested will get feedback that someone was looking for them. That's not unhealthy either. It's crime prevention. If they are thinking of reoffending, they at least may give it a second thought."

A majority of those arrested - 13 of 17 - had been last registered at Westland addresses. Other arrests included a man originally convicted for criminal sexual conduct in Garden City and a sex offender registered in Livonia. Three of the sex offenders were identified as being deceased.

"We made some good arrests. Some had had sex with children under age 13, and one had not reported his address change since 2002," said Westland Police Chief Daniel Pfannes. "The Sex Offender Registry was set up to protect innocent people in our community from sexual predators. In order for it to be effective, we need to make sure people are complying with the sys-

tem."

Garden City Police Chief Kimberly Scott said she is always supportive of enforcing Sex Offender Registry violations. A Garden City officer regularly monitors the registry for compliance but really hasn't been able to go outside the city to track down violators.

"This (Operation Safe Passage) allows us to stretch our resources. A multi-jurisdictional team allows us to reach beyond our borders," said Scott, adding her department's Special Investigations Unit does follow up on some offenders.

Pfannes, whose department was one of the hosts for the sweep, agreed that the joint effort is beneficial.

"Anytime we can work in concert with other departments and have forces multiplied to put more officers on the street is good," he added. "It's been a pretty productive day."

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Cruisers of the Week

The Westside Rod and Custom Car Club's Cruiser of the Week for Aug. 30 was Mark Bonnett with his red 1966 Plymouth Fury sport. The car has a 426 Max Wedge motor with cross ram induction. Members of the Week are Bill and Marie Hlady of Dearborn with their 1966 Plymouth Belvedere. The car has a 440 CID engine and a four-speed transmission. The Westside Rod and Custom Car Club's show is 5 p.m. to dusk Wednesdays at the Romanowski VFW Post on Joy Road east of Middlebelt in Westland.

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Jewelry, computers taken in break-ins

Break-ins
Westland Police are investigating four break-ins at two apartment complexes which occurred between Aug. 31 and Sept. 1.

The break-ins occurred at the Heather Ridge and Fountain Park Apartment complexes. In three of the incidents, the front doors to the apartments were pried open and the hall closets and bedrooms ransacked.

In one of the two Heather Ridge break-ins, more than \$45,000 in diamonds, jewelry, cash and electronics was reported stolen.

That break-in occurred between sometime between Aug. 31 and Sept. 1 and was reported by a groundskeeper who discovered the door to the apartment had been forced open.

The bedroom had been ransacked and, according to the 36-year-old tenant, one of her safes, containing three diamond rings, a diamond charm, gold necklace, ring and three bracelets, as well as a laptop computer were missing.

CRIME WATCH

In a second break-in at the complex, the tenant found a duffel bag missing from a hall closet, his laptop computer and several watches, taken from the bedroom.

In one incident at the Fountain Park Apartments, the hall closet and bedroom had been searched and the contents of a jewelry box strewn across the top of the dresser. None of the jewelry was because it was "cheap jewelry worth very little," according to the resident.

In the fourth incident, also at Fountain Park Apartments, there was no sign of forced entry, although the tenant told police he was sure he locked the door when he left.

He told police he came home to find scratches in his hardwood floors and his stereo damaged. Missing were records and CDs, sweaters, sports coats, shoes and dress shirts, casual shirts, underwear and a key to his safe.

Shoplifting

A 17-year-old Inkster teen was cited for shoplifting, assault and battery and resisting arrest after she tried to take three bottles of liquor from the Meijer store at Warren and Newburgh Sept. 2.

Loss prevention agents watched the teen, a 12th-grader at Inkster High School, pick up the booze, valued at \$69 and go to another aisle where she placed them in her purse.

When they attempted to stop her from leaving the store, the teen pushed, shoved and hit one of the agents and fled the store.

She was found by Westland police officers running along Warren Road and attempted to elude them by running back across the roadway. Officers were able to apprehend her, but not before she struggled with them.

While she received only citations for the incident, police took the teen into custody because of an outstanding warrant for her arrest for escape from custody.

Identity theft

A resident of the 32000 block of Hazelwood reported that someone, possibly her niece, had used her information to open an account with Cingular Wireless. The woman became aware of the account when she was contacted by a collection agency attempting to collect the \$369 debt. She was told the bill was being sent to her brother's home on Second Street. She told police she didn't open the account and recalled losing her wallet at the home three years ago.

Fraud

A Westland man told police that he believes his 22-year-old son used his ATM card to make several withdrawals from his account to "support his crack addiction."

He discovered the card missing on Sept. 3, and when he checked his account, he found that there had been several withdrawals. He told police he never saw his son take the card, but suspected he did take it because of several earlier thefts.

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Runner keeps moving for a cause

BY STEPHANIE ANGELNY CASOLA
STAFF WRITER

Redford resident John Knorp will commemorate the fifth anniversary of 9/11 in his own way this week.

He'll lace up his shoes and head out into the community for a 10-mile run, carrying a flag to remember the victims of the national tragedy.

It won't be the first time Knorp has run a long distance carrying the memorial flag. He did the same during a marathon in Dublin, Ireland, just after the 2001 attack.

Knorp is about to return to Ireland next month for the marathon and for a good cause. After more than a decade as a long-distance runner, he will continue his mission as a member of The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Team In Training.

It's a cause that hits close to home for John and his wife Pat Knorp. They have lost close friends and family to leukemia over the years. By running, and by raising awareness and funding, the Knorps contribute in their own way to finding a cure.

To date, John Knorp said he's raised about \$60,000 for The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, a voluntary health organization dedicated to curing leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and to improve the quality of life for those impacted by these diseases.

"While all of our Team In Training volunteers are incredibly dedicated to our mission, John's level of commitment is unbelievable," said Patrick Strait, campaign manager for Team In Training. "Around our office he has become synonymous with Dublin. The fact that John has continued to (raise money) and participate in our program for so many years is truly an inspiration, and he really embodies what Team In Training is all about."

NEW MOTIVATION

Knorp began running as a way to maintain a healthy lifestyle. He ran in local events, and was a member of the Redford Roadrunners.

When his own family felt the impact of leukemia and lymphoma, he found another motivation to run. It led him all the way to Alaska in 1994, where he first connected with the Team In Training program. Longtime friend Randy Step, owner of Running Fit, introduced him to the program.

In 1996 Knorp began traveling to Dublin for the annual marathon – a move that tied him with the cause and his own Irish heritage.

His wife Pat Knorp said whenever she sees him run, he's running with a smile. "I wanted him to train a little more this year," she admitted. "He has got great endurance."

The couple has lived in Redford since 1984 and have four children and eight grandchildren. John Knorp is a retired social worker and Pat Knorp is a music director at St. Damian Church in Westland. She also spent 14 years at St. Kenneth Church in Plymouth.

Knorp raises money for the organization by creating a T-shirt and asking local businesses to donate to the cause. In exchange, he lists the donor's names on the back of the shirt.

He came up with the idea after participating in several races. He always looked forward to receiving a T-shirt as a participant. Knorp designs, produces and sells the shirts himself.

"It's been great," he said. "Everyone I ask wants to contribute. It just mushroomed. This year I have 60 sponsors."

Knorp raises money all year for the event. He focuses on local businesses as well as the Irish-American community.

In addition to the fund-raising, he's training for the event. Knorp said when running a marathon, athletes try to cover 30-40 miles a week. "The first 20 feet are the hardest part of running," he said.

DEDICATED 'FLAG MAN'

Knorp noted that the Dublin race is called "the friendly marathon" because so many people come out to support the runners. It's held on a bank holiday.

"There are a lot of people there to cheer you on," he said.

And, Knorp added, runners come from "all walks of life" to participate in the run. Over the years, he's earned his own identity.

"They call me the Flag Man," said Knorp. After 9/11 he continued the tradition of running with flags. He switched from the memorial flag to an American flag. The following year, Knorp added an Irish flag. He'll continue the tradition this year by carrying a flag promoting a decade of support for Team In Training. It denotes the names of those impacted by the diseases.

"I'm very proud of him," said Pat Knorp, "and



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John Knorp of Redford runs along his street, training for the 10th marathon he will run in Dublin, Ireland next month. The annual events raise money to support The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

so are the kids."

Knorp said he may retire from marathon running after this race. But he'll continue to support The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

"I appreciate what they do everyday," he said. Team In Training members can participate in any of about 70 events – including marathons, half marathons, triathlons, or 100-mile cycling events. Seventy-five percent of every dollar raised by volunteers goes to the society's mission. "That's one of the reasons I've stayed with it," said Knorp.

For more information about The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society call (248) 582-2900 or (800) 456-5413. To donate to the Society's mission, visit www.teamintraining.org/mi and indicate your support for John Knorp's efforts in the Dublin Marathon.

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INFORMATION CENTRAL Folklore at the library

Although it's not easily defined, folklore is part of everyone's life. Folklore includes the traditions, beliefs, legends, and customs which help shape a culture.

The William P. Faust Public Library of Westland has many books that cover the folklore of the world. These books may tell the story of how the world was created or why people may believe or act the way they do.

For a general overview of folklore, you may want to check out the following: *Folklore: An Encyclopedia of Beliefs, Customs, Tales, Music, and Art*, *Encyclopedia of Folklore and Literature*, *Greenwood Encyclopedia of World Folklore and Folklife*.

The library owns materials that may deal specifically with a single culture such as *African Folklore: An Encyclopedia*, Bonnie Marshall's *Tales from the Heart of the Balkans*, *Traditional Chinese Folktales*, Henry Bett's *English Myths and Legends*, Kirin Narayan's *Mondays on the Dark Night of the Moon: Himalayan Foothill Folktales*, *Irish Folk Wisdom* by Mairtin O'Gríofa, *Myths and Legends of Japan* by F. Hadland Davis and Sophie H. Knab's *Polish Customs, Traditions and Folklore*.

Even the United States has a rich regional flavor when it comes to folklore. Titles like the following can help illustrate this point: *Cajun and Creole Folktales: the French Oral Tradition of South Louisiana*, *Michigan Folklife Reader*, David Steven Cohen's *Folk Legacies Revisited*, *Mourning Dove's Coyote Stories*, Phillip W. Steele's *Ozark Tales and Superstitions*, Charles J. Adams' *Pennsylvania Dutch Country Ghosts, Legends and Lore* and *Miss Mary Mac All Dressed in Black: Tongue Twisters, Jump Rope Rhymes, and Other Children's Lore from New England*.

The children's collection contains many folklore books. Much of this collection deals with the legends of different cultures.

Anansi, tricksters, and the origin of the world are very popular subjects in many cultures. *Trickster Tales: Forty Tales From Around the World* by Josepha Sherman is an excellent example of this type of story. The juvenile collection is housed in the children's library with the fairy tale materials.

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Internet 101: 7 p.m. Sept. 20.

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Rain or shine: St. Raphael's ready for festival

BY LEANNE ROGERS
STAFF WRITER

Carol Larsen doesn't know exactly how long St. Raphael Church has been having their annual family festival but it's been more than 20 years — that's how long Larsen and her husband have been working on the event.

"I don't think anyone has ever kept track of that," said Larsen, who handles publicity for the three-day event, which starts at 5 p.m. Friday.

The busiest time at the festival is Saturday night, which features music by the Reflections from 6-11 p.m. and

chicken dinners beginning at 2 p.m. To accommodate the crowd on Saturday, free shuttle service is provided from parking at Garden City High School.

"The Reflections are very good, a very good draw. All of the acts have their own followings," Larsen said. "Saturday night you can hardly move, but it's a fun night."

The Reflections will perform 5-9 p.m. Sunday which features the most popular meal — the Polish dinners served beginning at 1 p.m.

Entertainment from 7-11 p.m. Friday is provided by the Classics who perform music

from the '50s, '60s and '70s. A pot roast dinner is served beginning at 5 p.m.

A new addition to the festival lineup this year, will be Swing Shift, a blues band, performing from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday.

There will again be a polka Mass at noon Sunday with entertainment by Pan Franek, Zosia and the Polka Towners from noon to 4 p.m.

Throughout the weekend, there will be rides, a bake sale, a doll booth, food booths and raffles.

Each evening there will be Vegas games and smoke free bingo.

The festival committee has 30-50 members, Larsen said, but during the three-day festival there are an estimated 500 volunteers helping out.

"We really depend on those extra bodies," said Larsen, noting funds raised at the festival go into the church and school general fund.

With dinner served inside the school gym and other activities held under a tent, the festival goes ahead rain or shine.

St. Raphael Church and School are on Merriman just north of Ford.

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HOW THEY WERE GRADED

The composite grades given by the state include:

High Schools:	Grade
John Glenn	C
Wayne Memorial	B
Tinkham	D

Middle Schools:	Grade
Adams	B
Franklin	B
Stevenson	B
Marshall	B

Elementary Schools:	Grade
Edison	A
Elliott	B
Hamilton	A
Hicks	B
Hoover	A
Jefferson-Barns	B
Kettering	B
Lincoln	B

Madison	A
Patchin	B
P.D. Graham	A
Roosevelt-McGrath	A
Schweitzer	A
Taft-Galloway	B
Vandenburg	A
Walker-Winter	A
Wildwood	A

Parents and residents who'd like to find out more about the state's report cards can visit the state Department of Education Web site at www.michigan.gov/mde and click on the Michigan School Report Card.

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- B036 - Michael Goodwin - misc. items
- B070 - Gregory A Popowicz - book case, 50 boxes
- B079 - Denise Rogers - dining room set, couch, entertainment center
- B100 - Nicole Griffen - leather couch, stereo, computer
- B168 - Kim Butler - mattress, couch, totes
- B181 - Sally Thomas - misc. items
- B206 - Shareese Marable - love seat, sofa couch, mattress set
- B224 - Dennis Cage - couch, love seat, exercise bike
- B230 - Jean Davis - sectional couch, 12 boxes
- B233 - Gloria Prim - dresser, boxes, totes
- B238 - Clayton Smith - dresser, boxes, totes
- B254 - Teena Taylor - dining room table, computer, washer
- B269 - Tonya Champion - computer, mattress set, boxes
- B275 - Moria Austin - 12 totes, microwave, chest
- B276 - Katrina Marshall - 2 mattress sets, microwave
- B281 - Stephen Raab - 30 boxes, vacuum, dinette set
- B296 - Kenneth Alessi - treadmill, kids toys, bunk bed
- B319 - Antoine Brand - universal gym, leather chair, boxes
- B339 - Deloris Smith - boxes, bags
- B353 - Joann Hill - 12 totes, 30 boxes
- C011 - Debryl Ector - misc. items
- C033 - Conway Adkins - misc. items
- C042 - Global Relocation Corp. - couch, boxes, end tables
- D006 - Nina Watson - couch, love seat, TV
- D025 - John Jackson - bags, boxes
- D034 - Ronald Ford - dryer, boxes, washer
- D044 - Cortny Smith - stove, washer, dryer
- E033 - Christina Smith - love seat, TV, 10 boxes
- E042 - Sally Porter - boxes, dining table, totes
- E048 - Dennis Dobrick - golf clubs, stereo, boxes
- F007 - Angela Todd - misc. items
- F010 - Robert Benjamin - misc. items
- F018 - Bradley Moscarello - tools, bikes, 30 boxes
- F029 - Sabrina Robinson - 2 TVs, stereo, sectional couch

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CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

On September 19, 2006 the Westland Police Department will conduct a public auction of impounded, abandoned vehicles. The auction will begin promptly at 11:00 am at Westland Car Care, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

YEAR MAKE	BODY STYLE	COLOR	VIN
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1989 Olds	98/4 Dr	Brown	1G3CW54C4K1332971
1995 Ford	-	Red	KNJLT05H5S6140852
1993 Chevy	Cavalier/4 Dr	Blue	1G1JC5449P7281473
1994 Buick	-	Silver	1G4BT52P1RR432351
1995 Dodge	Neon/4 Dr	Blue	1B3ES27C9SD301066
1993 Dodge	Shadow/2 Dr	Black	1B3XP64K2PN652948
2000 Dodge	Caravan/SW	Blue	2B4FP25B3YR661399
1988 Ford	Mustang/2 Dr	Red	1FABP42E9JF306543
1989 Chevy	Cavalier/2 Dr	Red	1G1JF11W8K7289262
1994 Pontiac	Sunbird/2 Dr	Black	1G2JB14T3R7539794
1992 Ford	T-Bird/2 Dr	Tan	1FAPP604XNH103991
1999 Chrysler	Cirrus/4 Dr	Gold	1C3EJ56H0XN666984
1989 Chevy	Academy/SW	Gray/Bro	2GBEG25K4K4132602
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1992 Plymouth	Acclaim/4 Dr	Brown	3P3XA46K1N354342
1983 Ford	Econoline/Van	Gray	1FTDE14Y7DHB47092
1999 Ford	Taurus/4 Dr	Black	1FAPP53U0XG185353
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All vehicles are sold in "as is" condition. Bidding on all vehicles will start at the amount due for towing and storage. Vehicles may be deleted from this list at any time prior to the start of the auction.

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Due to unknown ownership, 30 day notice is hereby given that the vehicle(s) listed below will be auctioned after OCTOBER 10, 2006 unless it is claimed by the owner prior to that time.

YEAR MAKE	BODY STYLE	COLOR	VIN
2004 Minirocket	CX/Cycle	Silver	0700574
1991 Chevy	Lumina/4 Dr	Silver	2G1WL54T1M11355784
1989 Mercury	Sable/4 Dr	Black	1MEBM5347KG635413

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GRADE

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11 students, not enough to be considered a subgroup under Education YES!

The district also plans to appeal the grade given John Glenn High School and the subgroup determination, although Baracy doesn't believe the state will reverse its decision.

"The one nice thing is that we have no buildings in any phase of action," said Baracy. "In a few years' time we've been able to turn it around and get our schools out of

phase of action. They're all at zero which is good."

A zero means that a school has not been identified for improvement while phase of action, or improvement phases — there are seven — are assigned to schools which did not make AYP.

Even with a good report card, the district isn't taking a rest. Baracy said there's still work to be done.

"Our primary focus is to improve instruction for the children," he said. "We'll keep working on our primary goals, the whole process is continuous."

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- 137 - Donna Alexander - totes, dryer, vacuum
- 150 - Kristy Morris - TV, Christmas items
- 211 - Gordie Russ - couch, love seat
- 220 - Marie Dennings - air conditioner, totes, TV
- 237 - Nick Wurtamith - computer, refrigerator, TV
- 417 - Michael Rowell - computer, dryer, refrigerator
- 710 - Jeremy Hinton - computer, couch, stereo
- 717 - Brenda Botz - dresser, tv, mattress
- 805 - Jeremy McCray - computer, love seat, stereo
- 839 - Stephen Pandel - boxes, bags, misc. items
- 957 - Pamela Barnett - misc. items

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UNIFORMS

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collaborative effort started when Meijer marketing manager Sheila Marshall saw a blurb about the Band Boosters' Italian Feast. She contacted Cramer, telling him the company wanted to help.

The Italian Feast includes an Italian dinner and showcases the solo ensemble. Not only did the store donate all of the food for the fund-raising event, several employees also showed up to help. But the help went beyond the one event.

"Meijer partnered with us, helping do the fund-raising and providing concession food for the band invitational and the Italian Feast," he said. "Meijer

helped spearhead the fund-raising, but there were things the kids did to help."

While the school pushed use of the Meijer rewards card, the store was raising money through hot dog sales and working with vendors like Pepsi, Coke and Kraft-Nabisco to get donations or products for the fund raising. The store also let the school use the parking lot for an activities day that featured bouncers and a raffle.

"We did a lot of different things, it was great to have Meijer help us," Sedik said. "When we started fund raising we figured it would take four to five years, but Meijer didn't want to take that long," Cramer added.

Two band boosters - John and Diane Schmitt - also

helped by sending out 17 packets seeking donations from businesses. The businesses were generated from their list of contacts and it resulted in cash donations from Parlain Labadie in Oak Park and Gandol Inc. in Romulus.

The school ordered 150 uniforms, including six drum major uniforms, a like number of cavalier hats and raincoats. While the uniforms arrived last spring, the hats didn't come in until just before the official debut Aug. 31.

The students also would like to add baseball caps, giving them another alternative style and plans are to hang on to the white pants which are in better shape than the coats, Cramer said.

The old cylindrical shako hats

will be put to good use as decorative containers for the poinsettia plants the band will be selling at Christmas and there's come consideration to turning the old jackets into pillows and selling them, he added.

With the uniform purchase out of the way, the band and boosters are now turning their sights to the annual Michigan Competing Band Association Invitational the high school will host on Saturday, Sept. 30.

Fourteen bands have already signed up for the 20th annual invitational which will be held in the football stadium, starting at 3 p.m.

The band is continuing its fund-raising efforts with another installment of the Italian Feast planned for January. With the uniforms purchased, money



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Flutist Jamie Young keeps her eye on Drum Major Natalie Bower during the half-time show.

raised will help with the purchase of instruments, their upkeep and musical expenses for the students.

AROUND WESTLAND

Talk focuses on icons

Orthodox/Catholic Witness in Metropolitan Detroit will present an educational program entitled "The Icon: East and West" at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 12, at the Basilica of St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church, 18100 Merriman Road, in Livonia.

The program will be preceded by a dinner at 6 p.m. in the adjacent parish hall at 18200 Merriman Road. A free-will offering will be collected at the dinner. The program, which is free and open to the public, will be followed by a prayer service. Call the Rev. George H. Shalhoub at the Orthodox Basilica of St. Mary at (248) 379-0591.

Kicks 4 Kids

UNO Chicago Grill is joining with Kicks for Kids in a fund-raiser to benefit the construction of a soccer complex at Curtis Wood Park on Palmer west of Wayne Road.

The restaurant, located in Wayne Road in front of Westland Shopping Center, will donate 20 percent of food purchase between 11 a.m. and 9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 14, to the Kicks 4 Kids Project at Curtis Woods. The project includes the creation of three U8 soccer fields at the park.

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Pancake breakfast

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Cancer fund-raisers set

A pair of cancer awareness and fund-raising events are coming to Wilson Barn this week.

Some 100 Ford Thunderbirds from various years will be display from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. today, Sept. 10, as the Water Wonderland Thunderbird Club stages the event to raise money for cancer research and acknowledge Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

Oldies music will play on speakers and beverages will be sold at the "Alex's Lemonade Stand," which is affiliated with a foundation that donates mil-

lions of dollars to childhood cancer research projects. Local volunteers will sell raffle tickets for prizes and collect donations for childhood cancer research.

On Saturday, Sept. 16, the barn on the corner of West Chicago and Middlebelt will be the site of the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Light the Night Walk. It's the second year for the event in Livonia.

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Faith communities must support affirmative action

Crash is one of those movies that not only won an Academy Award but will be watched over and over for decades. Whether it portrays the current level of anger among racial, religious, and other groups, or it makes a statement portending what's on the horizon, it is a powerful presentation of human relations in our country.

One of *Crash's* themes is frustration at the lack of progress for women and minority groups. So many well-intended governmental programs since the 1960s have not succeeded, either because of poor funding, poor execution or both. When we examine what has failed and what has worked, only three clear-cut successes quickly come to mind: (1) legal remedies for segregated facilities; (2) the Head Start preschool program; (3) affirmative action providing women and minorities with equal access to jobs, contracts and educational opportunities.

Unfortunately, affirmative action is on the defensive now in many states including Michigan with the November ballot issue. With language posturing it as pro-civil rights (Michigan Civil Rights Initiative), the ballot issue would ban opportunities related to governmental employment, educational recruitment and admission programs and governmental contracts for women and minorities. What's even worse, the ballot issue sends a signal to the private sector that diversity and affirmative action in the workplace and in our communities is not a value to be pursued.

A number of business, civic, union and political leaders have stepped up to the plate and are opposing the ballot initiative. The leadership of these groups in itself is major progress from the civil rights days of the '60s when business leaders, in particular, were reluctant to involve themselves in the fray. Businesses and other current leaders have taken this stand because affirmative action works; it sends a positive signal to customers and creates a more productive work force and improved bottom line. Regrettably, a major leadership segment from the Civil Rights era — religious leaders — has not led the incremental progress achieved in recent decades. Their previous involvement was a powerful expression of the moral imperative for equal and fair treatment of all peoples.

Forty years ago in metro Detroit, suburban and urban faith leaders, women and men from Christian, Jewish and Muslim perspectives locked arms, developed programs and led demonstrations to indicate that fairness and opportunity in education, employment, health, and housing must be for everyone or eventually it will exist for only a privileged

few. While some religious leaders continued that struggle, unfortunately, many moved to other priorities.

Thus, in many faith communities today that earlier commitment and resolve has diminished. New moral imperatives are attracting attention. Many faith groups are more concerned about spiritual and congregational growth and self-help strategies to heal individual wounds — all important concerns — but not a moral issue as imperative as that expressed by our country's Founders when they wrote of certain inalienable rights including "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

Now, the nation needs and Michigan needs to be clear and stand unified on the moral imperative of ending racism and sexism by continuing to offer fair chances and increased opportunities for women and people of color too long denied the promise of the Founders.

Affirmative action is important because it helps create more diverse groups at work, in educational settings, at tables where contracts are signed. And greater diversity can lead to inclusiveness, where all people have their ideas, their contributions and talents recognized and taken seriously. Inclusiveness, in fact, is a moral value that runs throughout the sacred writings of all major faith groups — every person understood, respected, and valued. So, it is incumbent upon faith leaders to once again exert their moral leadership and defeat Proposal 2 on this fall's ballot and thereby preserve affirmative action in Michigan.

Major players from business, unions, civic and governmental organizations, along with some religious leaders, urge defeat of the anti-affirmative action ballot initiative. But many people still wonder, where do the MEMBERS of faith groups stand? This is the elephant in the room.

This is why clergy leaders can play such an important role in this election. Bishops and executives of religious institutions can and should lead from the top, but it is the ongoing, caring relationships in every congregation that lend weight to the moral imperative of fairness and equal opportunity.

So, the defeat of this ballot initiative will continue the meaningful progress for which affirmative action is responsible. And no one can make as great a difference as the thousands of faith leaders, lay and clergy, in congregations across Michigan. They have the greatest opportunity and the strongest moral claim to stand for fairness and equal opportunity for all women and people of color. The nation promised no less three-hundred years ago and breaking covenants has no standing among serious communities of faith.

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OUR VIEWS

Encourage U.S. senators to pass Rogers' trash bill

Today as you are about to slather cream cheese on your bagel for Sunday breakfast, pay attention to the first couple of steps in the process.

First, observe as you open the carton that there is an inner package. Peel it open.

Second, slice off some cream cheese, then close the inner package and replace it in the outer carton.

This is not a time study experiment. The wasteful dual packaging, however, is an example of part of the problem with trash in Michigan and elsewhere in North America.

There's too much of it. In fact, there's so much, Canadian cities and businesses have been importing their trash to Michigan landfills. The problem is not only are our dumps filling up, but the contents of that trash could be hazardous to our residents.

One family's trash is another's treasure, however, or at least it is for landfills. That's why the issue of Canadians importing trash to Michigan has been so difficult to deal with. Trash is considered a commodity, and is bought and sold for placement in Michigan landfills. As such, past practice has been for the feds to say trade agreements prohibit its regulation.

But there has been some movement on the issue. After a five-year struggle, U.S. Rep. Mike Rogers has been successful in getting a bill passed in the House that would regulate Canadian trash. The Senate has only four weeks to pass a companion bill, which has been gathering dust, before the effort dies completely.

Residents in Oakland and Wayne counties ought to place wake up calls to U.S. senators, demanding action and making this an election issue.

Rogers is organizing Michigan's congressional delegation to appeal to the Senate Majority Leader, Bill Frist. Phone him at (202) 224-3344 or write him at 509 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510.

Call Rogers at (202) 225-4872 or e-mail him at www.house.gov/mikerogers to offer your support.

Rogers says that, faced with the prospect of the bill's passage, the Canadians were willing to reach an agreement with U.S. senators Debbie Stabenow and Carl Levin that would limit trash sent to Michigan — limit, but not eliminate.

Rogers' bill would move the process along more quickly. While the Environmental Protection Agency works on the trash issue,

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Michigan could outlaw Canadian trash for two years.

Only Canadian cities would begin to close out their trash shipments to Michigan under the Levin/Stabenow agreement. Commercial and industrial sources would still be able to send it over the border.

Adding to the uncertainty over the agreement is whether two senators can achieve a deal with another country that would have any teeth behind it.

Lest you think trash isn't an issue, because you don't live next to a landfill, consider those living and working in Farmington, where bait boxes and rat poison are being put out in bulk to control the rodents.

Rats live on garbage or other food sources.

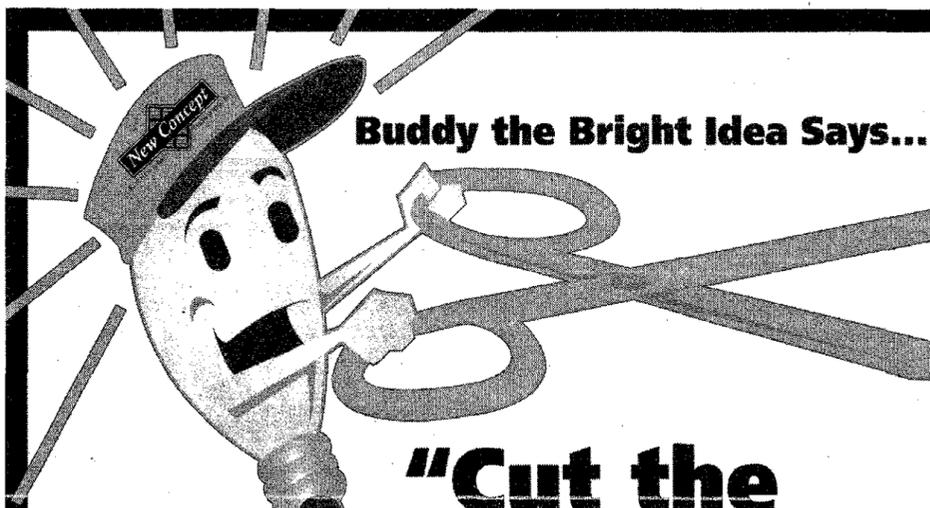
Which brings us back to the core problem: There's too much trash coming out of, not only Canada, but our own homes as well.

Years ago, there was a substantive campaign for homeowners to recycle, and many communities instituted curbside recycling pickup. One of the more successful has been the Southern Oakland County Resource Recovery Authority. SOCRRA has a facility in Troy where recyclable goods are separated, packaged and shipped out for reprocessing.

While SOCRRA recently expanded the list of items that are recyclable, in many communities in southeast Michigan, the call for recycling has diminished to a whisper. Some towns have found that goods placed at the curb aren't making it to the recycling process.

The Canadian trash issue ought to be our own wake up call when we're about to throw out that plastic carton after pouring milk in our Sunday morning coffee.

It may take a little extra effort to rinse out the carton and squish it before placing it in the recycle bin, but it won't be until we reuse and recycle that we ultimately prevent Michigan from becoming a trash heap.



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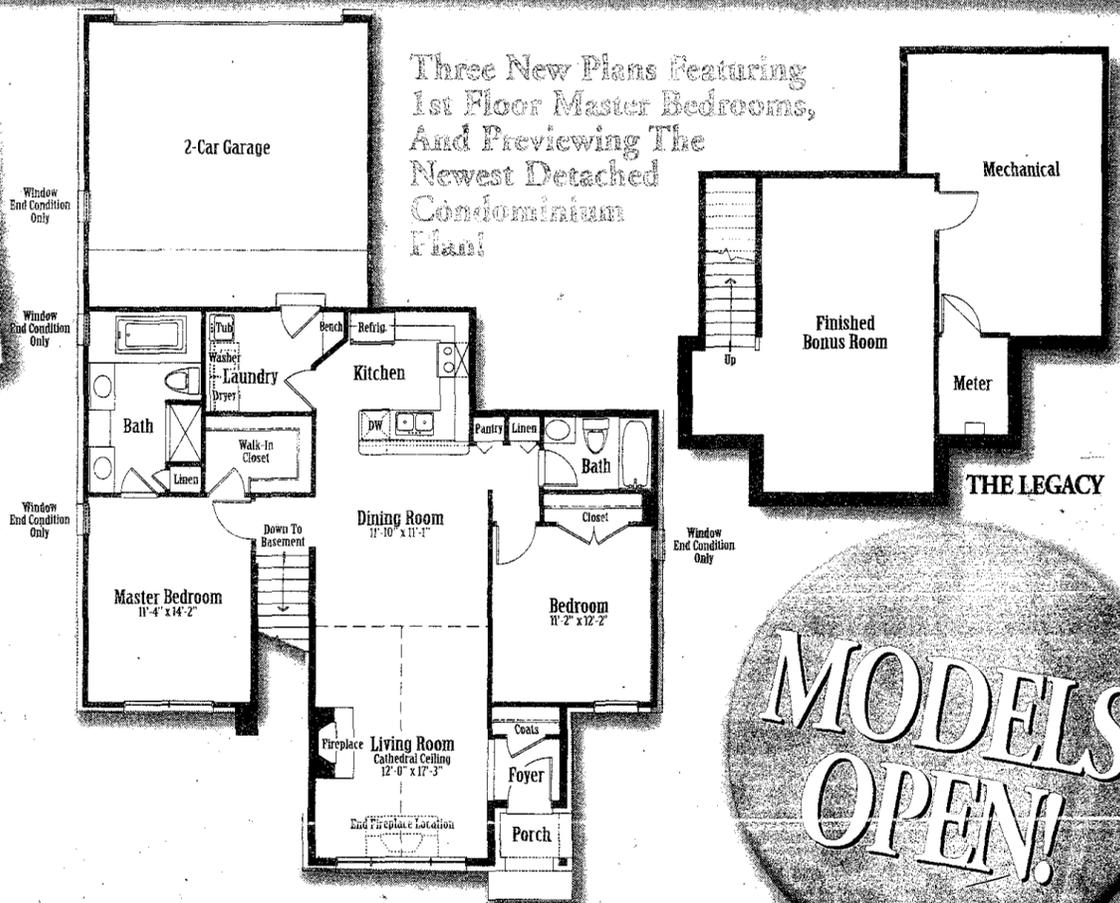
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