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High school blood drive surpasses goal

by Amy Jo Parish
Staff Writer

Each year more than 4 million people donate blood to the American Red Cross.

Locally, more than 60 donors gave their time and energy to support the Red Cross and its quest to provide life-saving services in

times of need.

Students in Norma Jean Acker's leadership class at Maple Valley High School organized and staffed the

day-long event that collected 51 productive pints of the life-giving fluid. Hoping for 49 usable pints, the group surpassed its goal for the event.

Seniors Lauren Baker and Lanae Shade both gave blood and provided moral support to each other through the process. Baker said she was nervous about giving

blood for the first time but the idea of helping save a life helped her overcome her fears.

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Students from the leadership class at Maple Valley High School pause during the blood drive for a photo. They include (from left) Adam Zank, Jaklynn Platte, Cierra Royston, Samantha Newton, Holly Rathburn, John Staffen, Josh Burd, Hannah Gardner and Zack Baird.



Lanae Shade and Lauren Baker, seniors at Maple Valley High School, take time out of their day to donate during the blood drive.

Fire destroys garage, damages home

by Amy Jo Parish
Staff Writer

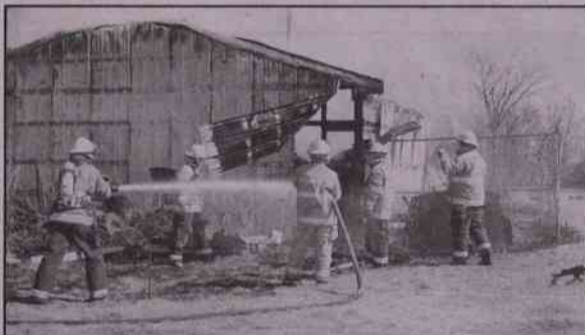
A fire that broke out around 1 p.m. Sunday, March 15, completely destroyed a garage and all of its contents at 9401 Kelly Highway, Vermontville. The Sunfield Fire Department responded to the call and discovered the structure entirely engulfed.

Carl Leonard was at home when the fire broke out and was alerted by his pets that something was happening. "I looked out the window

because I heard the dogs barking, and they only usually bark when someone is here. And I saw flames coming out of the windows," said Leonard as he watched firemen sift through the remains. "I came out and tried to pull my car out of the garage. The whole front end was on fire, and that's as far as I could get it before I couldn't breathe anymore."

With the garage and home approximately 10 feet apart,

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Peeling away a wall, Vermontville firemen work to extinguish flames still burning within the walls of the garage.



Little remains of the garage at 9401 Kelly Highway, after a fire engulfed the building.

Nashville Dam removal project awarded grant

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources has awarded the Barry Conservation District a \$200,000 Inland Fisheries grant for the removal of the Nashville Dam, located just west of M-66 in the village of Nashville.

The dam is one of six on the main stem of the Thornapple River, the others being operational hydroelectric power-producing structures.

Removal of the Nashville structure is tentatively scheduled for 2009, pending the receipt of necessary permits and completion of engineer-

ing studies. The dam will be replaced by a weir system that will provide a gradual slope to compensate for the height of the existing dam and will allow for fish passage from the upper to lower reaches of the watershed.

Prior to receiving the grant, the Barry Conservation District (BCD), along with project partners from the DNR, the Thornapple River Watershed Council, the Potawatomi Resource Conservation and Development Council and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality worked with the Nashville

Village Council and its dam committee to explore management, maintenance and removal options for the structure.

Lack of funding for dam maintenance has been an historic issue for the village, and research provided very few grant options for dam repair or replacement. Two dam safety inspections in the past decade recommended several maintenance activities and noted increasing concern for the stability of the structure.

In weighing the decision, council members considered the cost of needed repairs,

potential liability issues, long-term maintenance funding and the availability of DNR funds to remove the structure.

Many citizens participated in council meetings, voicing concerns about landscape changes resulting from the removal of the dam. The council formed a dam committee consisting of citizens and council members to research issues and concerns. A new section of the BCD Web site, www.barrycd.org, has project information and updates. Questions about the project can be directed to the Barry Conservation District

office at 269-948-8056 ext. 3, or joanne.barnard@mi.nacd-net.net.

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Benedict builds new syrup facility, continues family tradition

by Amy Jo Parish
Staff Writer

The Benedict family of Vermontville and maple syrup production go together like, well, maple syrup and pancakes. Brian Benedict can trace his syrup lineage back as far as the

separate temperature controls for each room and a variety of upgrades to the equipment.

Whether it's the new mac flu pan that provides more sap surface area to work with, a new revolution pan that rotates the flow to

"I certainly try to upgrade and make things better each year. We thought we might remodel the barn or go for a new facility, which would be more expensive, but we opted for the latter," said Brian. The equipment will



Lorraine Benedict (left) helps Jan Shockney pour a pail of clear sap that will be boiled into a brown maple syrup.

1850s, when ancestors of his father began production in the area.

When asked why he continues to gather and boil the sweet concoction, Brian merely shrugged his shoulders and said, "It's something I've always done. I guess it's special, but I've always done it."

Continuing the tradition of both his father's and mother's families, Brian, along with wife, Lorraine, and five sons have upgraded their equipment and process with a new facility and a few new gadgets. The new building includes a loft, fully licensed kitchen,

allow the sap to be drawn off from the same side, or a device that evaluates the sugar content and tells the precise temperature that will make the best syrup, the facility is full of new pieces to learn.

"The new equipment's working good, there are just a few bugs to work out," said Brian.

Brian decided to make the change after the price of fuel oil prices jumped last year, and it was costing \$10 per gallon of syrup for fuel alone. With the new setup, Brian is able to yield twice the amount of syrup for the same amount of fuel oil.

begin to pay for itself after a few years."

Lorraine said the process of collecting, boiling, packaging and distributing the syrup has provided many unique learning opportunities for their five sons — David, Daniel, Joe, Sam and Ben.

"I like it because it's a family tradition. We all can do it together," said Lorraine as she paused between collecting buckets of sap in the woods behind their residence. "It's more than just a business. We just had our biggest day ever of



Brian Benedict stands next to his new boiler system that allows him to reach a higher level of efficiency and draw twice the amount of syrup for the same amount of fuel as his previous system.



The second youngest of five, Sam Benedict helps collect sap from 1,300 taps each year.

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Using a new device that reads and evaluates the sugar content of the sap, Brian Benedict is able to tell the perfect temperature for boiling sap.

lessons over the years," said Lorraine.

With the new facility and a fully licensed kitchen, Lorraine said she is looking forward to developing new recipes and incorporating new ideas into the business.

"I like to try and do something different each year. I like to be creative and try new packaging and new things and try out new ideas the kids may have," said Lorraine.

Adding to the tradition

and family atmosphere of the business, Brian's sister Iris and brother-in-law Leroy Wion travel from their home in Indiana each year to help collect sap. For Leroy, producing syrup became an annual part of his life after meeting Iris in college. This year, the couple brought friends Allen and Jan Shockney with them to take part in the process for the first time.

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pulling sap, and it's neat to see the boys at an age when they can really help and be part of the team."

The family home-schools their children until they reach seventh grade, and Lorraine said they have been able to incorporate a variety of lessons and subjects into syrup production.

"With home-schooling, there have been lots of nature lessons and business

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Dinner will benefit latchkey program

by Amy Jo Parish
Staff Writer

When lack of funding threatened to shut down the latchkey program at Fuller Street Elementary School,

that didn't stop Terry Woodman and her staff from continuing the service.

Due to budget constraints, the program was removed from the school district's

budget in December. Seeing the need to continue a service that provides parents with a safe, education-based program for their children, Woodman and her staff re-opened the program on Jan. 5.

"We re-opened just to keep the program going. There are so many parents that have to go to work, and they need this program," said Woodman. "It provides the parents with stability. It's there every day in the same location with the same staff, and they know they can

count on it."

The program is housed in the gym at Fuller Street Elementary and is open from 6 a.m. until the start of school and after school until around 6:30 p.m. For children ages 5 to 13, the program is a place they can go to when their parents are working or commuting.

An after-school snack, homework help, educational lessons, structured play and transportation to and from school are all part of the program.

Recognizing the value in the program and the service

it provides to the community, Leroy Starks and the congregation of the Vermontville United Methodist Church decided to take action. On Saturday, March 28, the church will host a spaghetti dinner to raise funds for the program. Woodman said the money will go toward replacing some of the used equipment the program owns.

Woodman said she was surprised when Starks first brought up the idea and is grateful to the church for supporting the program.

"This is the first time anyone has ever offered to do this for us. It's wonderful," exclaimed Woodman.

Starks said the church heard about the budget cuts and wanted to do something to help the program continue.

"There are a lot of parents that don't have a place to take their children before or after work," said Starks. "It would have been great if there had been one of these programs there when we were raising our kids. The community needs latchkey."



Scott Eldridge (right) helps Aaron Gorman, Shia-Leigh Reece-Jarman, Eli Campbell, Skyler Miller, Danielle Gorman, Lily Miller, Jozlynn Miller, Casey Eldridge, Cam Eldridge and Chris Eldridge stretch their muscles before a soccer lesson during the latchkey program.



Over the summer, students learned about recycling at the latchkey program. One project recycled newspaper into a papier-mache craft. Here, Aaron Gorman, Drew Abbott, Eli Campbell, Shia-Leigh Reece-Jarman, Darius Abbott, Danielle Gorman and Heather Primm work on their projects.

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NEWEST CITIZEN ANNOUNCED

TWINS, Mayleigh Grace and Alana Kay, born on Feb. 23, 2009 to Jason and Hollie Raffler of Woodland. Mayleigh was born at 2:03 p.m. and weighed 6 lbs. 15 ozs. and was 20 inches long. Alana was born at 2:05 p.m. and weighed 5 lbs. 5 ozs. and was 17 inches long. Welcomed home by big brothers Tyson and Shane, ages 5 and 3 respectively. Proud grandparents are Dar and Jan Raffler of Woodland, Connie King of Kent City and Guy and Cindy Ingafol of Muskegon.

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Commission on Aging Menu and Schedule of Events

Hearty Menu Monday, March 23

Breaded chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, winter blend vegetables, cherry cobbler.

Tuesday, March 24

Chicken teriyaki, white rice, Oriental vegetables, corn, mixed fruit in orange jello.

Wednesday, March 25

Salisbury steak and gravy, garlic mashed potatoes, green beans, blueberry cobbler, dinner roll.

Thursday, March 26

Ham steak, sweet potatoes, Italian blend vegetables, spiced apples, dinner roll.

Friday, March 27

Spaghetti w/marinara sauce, broccoli, diced peaches, garlic bread.

Cold Menu

Monday, March 23

Sliced chicken, tomato salad, diced pears, wheat bread.

Tuesday, March 24

Ground bologna spread, American cheese, cole slaw, diced peaches, hamburger bun.

Wednesday, March 25

Egg salad, pea and cheese salad, mandarin oranges, wheat bread.

Thursday, March 26

Turkey w/Swiss, broccoli raisin salad, applesauce, wheat bread.

Friday, March 27

Cottage cheese, Spanish bean salad, fruit compote, blueberry muffin.

Activities Calendar

Monday, March 23: Hastings - Crafts 10:30 a.m.; Card Making 12:30 p.m.; Music with Sam; Kinship Care 5:30 p.m. Hastings Baptist Church. Delton - Nashville 5 11 a.m. H,W,N- Reminiscence.

Tuesday, March 24: Hastings - Line Dancing. GL - 10:30-12:30 Cards. **Wednesday, March 25:** Hastings - Bible Study 12:30 p.m.; Music with Sam; Nails; Euchre 12:30-2:30 p.m.; Red Hat PJ Party Big Boy 9:30 a.m. Delton - Reminiscence.

Thursday, March 26: Hastings - Line Dancing 9:30 a.m.; Beading 5 p.m.; Nashville - TV Time; Delton - Puzzles, Trivia.

Friday, March 27: Hastings - Exercise 9 a.m.; Mixed Media Painting, 9:30 a.m.; Bingo 10 a.m.; Model Railroad. Woodland - Visiting.

Area Obituaries

Vergie Marcella Fueri

NASHVILLE - Vergie Marcella Fueri, age 99, of Nashville, passed away on March 13, 2009.

Mrs. Fueri was born May 5, 1909 in Columbus, Ohio, the daughter of Vern and Maude (Bollman) Cox.

She is survived by daughters, Lois Ann Maurer of Maryville, Tenn. and Janet Garner (Don Cook) of Charlotte; son, Paul V. Fueri of Astatula, Fla.; daughter-in-law, Mary Fueri of Nashville; 16 grandchildren and blessed with many great and great great grandchildren; special friends, Harold Nelson, Ron Walden, Lori Green, Troy and Parady Murray, Roger and Yvonne Beals and many brothers and sisters from various Jehovah's Witness Kingdom Halls.

Mrs. Fueri was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Raymond Fueri Sr.; sons, Robert Raymond Fueri Jr., Gordon Eugene Fueri and James Edward Fueri; daughter, Virginia Carol Fueri; son-in-law, Hugh (Lennie) Maurer and daughter-in-law, Judy Fueri.



Maurer and daughter-in-law, Judy Fueri.

Services were held on Monday, March 16, 2009 at Pray Funeral Home with Troy Murray officiating. Interment followed at Lakeview Cemetery in Nashville.

If desired memorial contributions may be made to the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, Castleton, Nashville, Maple Grove EMS or Charlotte Area EMS. Arrangements by Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Duane Allen Hamilton

NASHVILLE - Duane Allen Hamilton, age 72 1/2, of Nashville, went to be with his heavenly Father on Tuesday morning, March 17, 2009 while surrounded by his wife and children. He fought a brief but determined battle against pancreatic cancer.

Duane was born Sept. 13, 1936, in Hastings, the son of Emmett and Hazel (Hollister) Hamilton. He graduated from Nashville High School, then married Ruth Ann Ford on Nov. 6, 1954.

As a teenager, Duane worked in his father's lime, marl, and dragline business. In 1955, at the age of 19, he purchased his first bulldozer and established Duane Hamilton Excavating, which continues today. For the next 54 years, he did what he truly loved.

Duane served on the Maple Grove Township Board as a trustee from 1970 through 1984. He attended Maple Grove Bible Church for 60 years. His favorite past-time was watching his children and grandchildren participate in all of their sporting activities.

Duane was preceded in death by his parents, and stepmother Minnie Hamilton. His step brother Pastor Leonard Radtke of Aurora, Minn. His father and mother-in-law, Maurice and Hannah Ford.

Duane will be sadly missed by his caring, devoted and loving wife of 54 years, Ruth Ann and their seven children, Steven (Teresa) Hamilton, Shelley (Rick) Winegar, Gary (Tonja) Hamilton, Mike (Julie) Hamilton, Alan



(Eva) Hamilton, Jeff (Suzi) Hamilton, Joy (Craig) Hamp; 19 grandchildren and seven great grandchildren; one brother, Darrell (Claudette) Hamilton; brother and sister-in-law, Russell (Linda) Ford; Aunt Marion Hamilton; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

A celebration of Duane's life will take place at Nashville Baptist Church on Saturday, March 21, 2009 at 1 p.m.

In lieu of flowers the family has requested memorial contributions may be made to the Maple Grove Bible Church, Pennock Hospice or to the Maple Valley Scholarship Association in the names of Duane and Ruth Ann Hamilton.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to Daniels Funeral Home, Nashville.

Athletic boosters announce Texas Hold 'em winners



The Maple Valley Athletic Boosters held a Texas Hold 'em fundraiser at the Nashville VFW Post on March 14. Denny Gordoneer (left) took first place at the tournament with Travis Rae and Steve Eaton placing second and third, respectively. After a full day of competition, the winners table also included Quincy Bozell, Steve Eaton, Denny Gordoneer Trent Harvey, Jon Boss, Max Wilson, Jake West. Missing from photo are Brian Dunlap, Travis Rae and Steve Augustine.

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A public hearing on the proposed Maple Grove Township budget for the coming fiscal year, April 1, 2009, through March 31, 2010, will be held in conjunction with the annual meeting at the township hall, 721 Durkee St., Nashville, on Saturday, March 28, 2009, at 1:30 p.m. The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will also be a subject of this meeting. Copies of the proposed budget may be obtained at the township hall.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact Susie Butler, Clerk, by writing 9752 Evert Rd., Nashville, or by phoning 517-852-1859.

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"I wanted to help out, and I don't think enough people do it," Baker explained as her reasons for giving. "It doesn't really hurt, it's more of a mental thing. If I let myself freak out, it would probably be worse."

Shade echoed Baker's sentiments and said the little time it takes to give is more than worth the results of

helping others.

"There are a lot of people that end of needing blood and not enough people give," said Shade.

Junior Adam Zank co-chaired the event and said not only does it help those in need through the Red Cross, the event also makes an impact on those who help run it.

"It's one of the nonprofit things we (the leadership class) get to do," said Zank. "It's a huge benefit for the community and kind of instills a sense of responsibility in us beyond school."

The month of March is Red Cross month and President Barack Obama recently signed a proclamation recognizing the organi-

zation and its commitment to helping those in need.

"The Red Cross has continued to serve those suffering from large- and small-scale disasters. The organization is best known for its work helping communities deal with major disasters such as hurricanes, floods, and wildfires. These large-scale disasters represent a

major part of the work of the American Red Cross," reads the proclamation. "Just as important are the tens of thousands of small-scale disasters that occur every day in communities nationwide, and the volunteers who respond to them. These efforts include supporting our military and their families, collecting and distribut-

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Strength, intelligence, and loyalty are certainly virtues when tied to a good will, but if used for evil purposes, these things become vicious. So, we should develop our spirit of discernment, relying on our conscience and our good judgement. However, we should not be too quick to condemn our neighbors because we don't know their hearts.

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R.S.V. 1 Thessalonians 5:19-22



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flames reached the house, but firefighters were able to stop the fire before it spread to other parts of the struc-

ture. All of the belongings in the garage were a total loss. Vermontville Fire Chief

Monte O'Dell said the cause of the fire has not been determined yet, and no injuries were reported.



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Barry County Leadership makes library improvements



The Barry County Leadership Class of 2009 met at Putnam District Library Thursday for its class community service project. The volunteers repainted the children's room, repaired furniture and labeled picture books. The library directors, Shauna Swantek and Emily Mater, and staff are working to create early literacy centers where families can learn together. The leadership class includes (back row, from left) Carlotta Willard, Tom Wiltout, Phyllis Fuller, Brent Webb, Becky Zellmer, Laurie Black, Sindi Lancaster, Ken Krum, Judy Jackson, (middle row) Jason Tietz, Andre' Wiegand, Jeff Jennette, Karen McMillan, (front row) Maggie Shuster, Jessica Payne, Kate Wiltout, Andy McBrian and Shauna Swantek. Missing from photo are Jenna Connor, Ginger Hentz and Richard Thompson.

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Students for sale at annual auction

by Tyra Curth
FFA Reporter

Maple Valley FFA will hold its fourth annual member auction Thursday, March 26, at 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

The auction is sponsored by the FFA alumni. Laverne Yutzy will serve as the auctioneer, and all proceeds will go to the Maple Valley FFA alumni to sponsor conventions, programs and leadership training for Maple Valley FFA members.

Anyone may purchase one of the 25 FFA members who are going to be auctioned off to do anything from spring cleaning to baby-sitting or general farm work. The alumni hope to raise at least \$2,300 to match the highest auction that they had in 2006.

"This is a great way to show support for the Maple Valley FFA and also get some extra work done around your home that you either have not had time to do or

have put off. All work is guaranteed," said Maple Valley FFA Advisor Aaron Saari.

Members may be purchased for up to eight hours' worth of labor. The request for this labor must be done by Oct. 1. The FFA members willingly participate in the auction. Anyone is allowed to attend or make a bid.

Questions can be directed to Saari at 517-852-9971.

Queen's court makes appearance in St. Patrick's Day Parade



Shauna Frailey, a member of the 2009 Vermontville Syrup Festival Queen's Court, hands out candy and greets parade-goers March 17 in Hastings.



Hannah Gardner, a member of the 2009 Vermontville Maple Syrup Festival Queen's Court pulls her fellow court member, Kayla Shaw in a wagon during the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Hastings.

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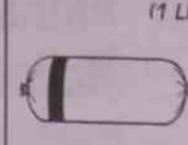
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Author to visit Vermontville Township Library

The Vermontville Township Library has been chosen as a location for a stop on the 2009 Michigan Notable Books author tour. Michael Schumacher, will visit Sunday, April 19, to share his book, *Wreck of the Carl D.: A True Story of Loss, Survival, and Rescue at Sea*.

Due to the anticipated interest in this program, the Vermontville United Methodist Church has offered to host this event. The free program will begin at 2 p.m. at the church. Refreshments will be served, and copies of the book will be available for purchase and signing.

The last day for submitting tickets for the adult winter reading program "Feed Your Mind... Read" at will be Saturday, March 28, at 1 p.m. All tickets must be in the jar at closing time. The grand prize drawing will be held Tuesday, March 31.

March is Reading Month activities continue on March 31 with "Fun with the Cat in the Hat." Kids can watch the animated version of the story, and have a craft activity celebrating Dr. Seuss. The program begins at 6 p.m.

Members of the community are organizing a Friends of the Vermontville Library

organization to help with promotion and fundraising for the library. Anyone interested in joining this group should contact the library. An organizational meeting will be scheduled soon.

New at the library are:

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Clark, Crossroads by Belva Plain.

Young adult fiction
Robinson Crusoe by Daniel Defoe.

Putnam library celebrates National Craft month



Putnam District Library's recognition of National Craft Month continues through March. The public is invited to visit and view the displays. A range of crafts are on display, including quilting, needlework, doll clothes, polished rocks, woodwork, fly-tying, painting and more. Above, craft club organizer Rosalie Murphy stands near two of her needlework pieces on display at this year's show. The craft club meets at the library weekly. Through March the club will meet on Wednesdays from 4 to 6 p.m. Beginning in April, the club will move to Tuesdays from 5 to 7 p.m. Contact the library for more information at 517-852-9723.

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Three HGB employees recognized with annual Fulton Award of Excellence

Three employees were honored recently with a Fulton Award of Excellence for their contribution to the success of Hayes Green Beach Memorial Hospital in Charlotte:

- Clinical award — Sue DeMuth, medical assistant, Charlotte Medical Group.
- Non-clinical award — Cheryl Jackson, fitness instructor, HGB Wellness Center.
- Leadership award — Karen Wilson, RN, nursing director.

DeMuth joined HGB in 1994. Jackson started in 1997, and Wilson has been with the hospital since 1999.

"Working for HGB means working for an organization whose very purpose is to help people. We are fortunate to attract competent, highly skilled staff who also have one other very important skill: compassion," said HGB President and CEO Matt Rush, CHE.

Wilson was commended for stepping up to the plate after the family birthing center, which she managed, closed last summer. According to Maureen Sheppard, RN, chief nursing officer for HGB, Wilson accepted new projects and challenges "with a smile and a can-do attitude."

"She turned our Meditech registration program into a positive and successful endeavor. Karen also collaborates regularly with other leadership team members to assure patients' needs are met, processes are

improved and physicians are able to treat their patients efficiently. Her contributions to HGB result in better customer service and a more positive experience on a daily basis," said Sheppard.

Jackson was lauded for being "a standout leader among a strong team of high performers" by her supervisor, Dawn Rodman, HGB Wellness Center director.

"She listens to the vision, message and questions, seeks first to understand and then dialogues with her team. Then she gets behind a project 150 percent, helping with communication, coaching and staging. She works intently on self-improvement and admits mistakes."

"Jackson understands HGB's role in the community and works on many levels to build bridges to new HGB friends and partners."

DeMuth's manager and coworkers called her "considerate," "likeable," "even-tempered" and a "role model."

"Sue is an excellent example for her co-workers. She is a role model for new employees as well as for those who have years of experience," offers Tammy Merritt, director of the HGB Physician and Specialty Practices. "Sue helps create a work environment that is effec-

tive and efficient in the most difficult situations. She treats everyone — without exception — with respect. Every patient feels like he or she is the only person Sue has to interact with that day.

"Patients love her and ask for her by name. The physicians she has worked for say nothing but great things about her."

Although 19 employees were nominated by their peers, supervisors and customers, these three recipients were chosen after being evaluated objectively from anonymous nomination forms with all names removed. The award is based on three important criteria:

- Consistent and outstanding customer service skills.
- Innovation and creativity at work.
- Willingness to go beyond the call of duty.

The award is named in honor of Robert Fulton for his many contributions as a member of the hospital's board of trustees. Like the people who received the honor bearing his name, Fulton is well known for helping to bring HGB's dreams of offering "quality local care" to reality.

Any employee or manager with at least one year of service with HGB is eligible for nomination.



Matt Rush (far left) and Bob Fulton (center) are joined by 2009 Fulton Award of Excellence winners Cheryl Jackson, Sue DeMuth and Karen Wilson after the hospital's celebration of these employees.

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Little League sign-up this week Thursday at MVHS

As the weather warms up and the Detroit Tigers are training in Florida, it is time to think about playing baseball and softball.

The Maple Valley Little League has one more date planned to sign kids up for the 2009 season. This season will prove to be fun for all involved and will improve on last year's successful season.

Boys and girls ages 4 to 12 will be eligible to play this spring. A few changes will include improved facilities, an expanded season, differ-

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Rehearsals underway as construction continues in Nashville



Director Hollie Auten leads part of the cast through a scene on the recently built stage at The Revue's new home in Nashville.

"Willy Wonka Jr." is off to a "sweet" start at The Revue's new home in Nashville.

Under the direction of Hollie Auten, a cast of more than 70 children are the first to rehearse on the newly built stage on the second floor of the old Masonic Lodge.

Revue Manager Bill Reynolds, along with Sherry Shoemaker, Al Reynolds, Mary Raffler, Rod Auten and others have been painting, laying ceramic tile and building shelves for storage. The Maple Valley High School shop class is building the stage, and Hickey Electric has been busy

installing the heavy-duty system required for theater lights.

In The Revue's 44th production and first show at the new location, Christian Timmis will play the part of Willy Wonka. Lee Christopher will portray Charlie, a poor boy, who finds one of the golden tick-

ets in a chocolate bar and gets to spend a day with four other children at Willy Wonka's Chocolate Factory.

Rounding out the cast are Heidi Olson, Lily Conlin, Luke Domke, Marissa Gonzales, Morgan Lang, Ian Smith, Ben Anderson, Reagan Cool, Kayleigh Slone, Eliza Smith, Emily

Smith, Jadelyn Stewart, Kelsi Harden, Betsy Reynolds, Tessa Sharp, Noah Freiburger and Sydney Khouri, along with 25 Oompa Loompas and 27 Candy Man Kids.

Young performers now practicing three days a week hail from Nashville, Vermontville, Charlotte,

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Willy Wonka will be performed the first two weekends in May.

For more information e-mail therevue1@yahoo.com.



Producer Bill Reynolds works through a few of the songs from the production with the cast of "Willy Wonka Jr."

Robbie Welch named student of the month

Robbie Welch was selected as the Vermontville Lions Club Student of the Month for March.

Welch is an eighth grade student at Maple Valley. During his free time, he plays basketball in the winter and soccer in the spring and fall. Music is also a way he fills his time when not in school.

He said that school has never really been a challenge for him and that makes it more fun than it is for most people, though he still would rather not have to

attend. Welch plays saxophone in the band, though he switched to trombone for the concert season this year. Since the MSBOA band festival, the end of the concert season, he has been reunited with his saxophone.

He is the youngest child in his family. His sisters are Kathleen, who currently attends Kellogg Community College, and Bekah, a senior at Grand Valley State University.



Vermontville Lions Club President Mark Lawless presents Robbie Welch with a certificate as his mother, Liz Welch, looks on.

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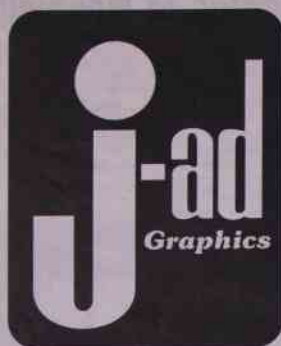
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Spring begins

This week, I heard the sounds of the spring peepers sounding their nightly ritual, and it started me thinking about the things in life that signify the beginning of something.

The start of the final thaw indicates that trees will soon be tapped and sap collected.

The start of sap collecting means it won't be long before I can purchase maple syrup cotton candy at the festival.

"Gentlemen, start your engines!" signifies at least a two-hour block when a good portion of the male version of our species tunes out everything but the horsepower on the screen in front of them.

The spring cleaning of garages and basements means signs will be pushed into the ground and garage sale season will begin (my favorite season; fall comes in a close second).

The brackets going around in homes and offices mean March Madness is in full swing.

With all of these new things starting, I have decided to start something of my own. I have always been what you might call an 'idea person.' I have all these great ideas and plans about things to do. Like, I'll clean out that old pasture by the barn and put in a beautiful garden. Or, I'll start the theater prop/costume shop I have always wanted to. Or, I'll clean out the boxes of things that have been on the shelves in the garage since I moved back. Or, I'll clean out my closets and donate all the clothes I no longer wear. Or, I'll become more active

In My Own Write

by Amy Jo Parish

at my church (or at least attend regular services on a regular basis). Or, I'll buy my wedding dress before it's the week of the wedding and send out invitations with plenty of notice before the September date. Or, I'll use my bike more often than I pay my taxes.

This is just the start. Believe me when I say the list could fill a filing cabinet.

New Year's resolutions are not my thing, so I think I'll try a spring resolution. I think I will work to carry out at least one of my ideas at a time. If I think about all the things I want to do, I often get frustrated about all the plans I'm not carrying out.

Too much multi-tasking can mean too much multi-focusing. If we only have 100 percent of ourselves to give, what happens when we try to give five different tasks our attention? They only get about 20 percent of our focus.

So, this spring means simplicity for me. I will simply pick one thing off my mental list and focus on carrying out that one idea. Then once that gets completed, I will move on to the next item. With the length of my list, I may not get all the plans completed this decade., But hopefully, I will be focused on what I've accomplished instead of what is yet to be done. The only difficulty I can see is choosing which idea goes first.

Maybe for next week, I'll focus on getting my stories in before deadline. My editor would appreciate that, and it would mean a less hectic Friday. Then again, I have always wanted to be in a rock band ...

SUGAR SHACK, continued from page 2

"I met Iris in the fall of 1961, in the spring of 1962 Allen and I had a track meet at Albion. I came out here with Iris, and the sap ran like crazy — like it is now — and that was my first introduction to the process," recalled Leroy.

Lorraine and Brian both expressed gratitude toward the friends and family who help each year.

"We have a lot of volun-

teers that help make it happen," said Lorraine. "Cody Harris is a big helper, and it makes it fun that family and friends are here with us."

For first grader Ben, the youngest in the family, the best part of the process doesn't take place in the new facility or out in the woods.

"I help gather syrup, and the best part is when we get to sell syrup because I get to

go on rides and the festival," said Sam with a big grin. "I like the candy parades when they throw it

at us." The Vermontville Maple Syrup Festival will be April 24 and 26.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

Maple Valley Elementary Lunch Menu

Monday, March 23
Quesadilla. Whole kernel corn, grapes, animal crackers.

Tuesday, March 24
Breakfast pizza. Tater tots, apple crisp, juice.

Wednesday, March 25
BBQ Sand./Chips. Whole kernel corn, Jell-O w/fruit, pudding.

Thursday, March 26
French bread pizza. Tossed salad, sherbet, Goldfish Crackers.

Friday, March 27
Chicken tenders. Roll, cheesy potatoes, applesauce.

NOTE: Fuller Alternative Entree Choices: Peanut butter and jelly sandwich, honey and peanut butter sandwich.

Maplewood Alternative Entree Choices: 6 oz. Yogurt w/string cheese, chef salad, peanut butter and jelly sandwich. Maplewood offers a variety of healthy snacks for 50 cents each (cash only; quarters or dollars only).

Milk is included with all full meal purchases. Assorted bread choices daily.

Breakfast price: \$1.30; Lunch price: \$1.90; Adult price: \$2.75; milk only: \$.45.

Jr.-Sr. High School Lunch Menu

Monday, March 23
Chicken tetrazzini. Green beans, pineapple. Salad bar.

Tuesday, March 24
Tater tot casserole. Fresh veg. medley, pears. Mexican bar.

Wednesday, March 25
Mini corn dogs. Baked beans, peaches. Potato bar.

Thursday, March 26
HS/Kellogg Cottage Inn. Cottage Inn. Whole kernel corn, mandarin oranges. Breakfast bar.

Friday, March 27
Chicken parmesan. Broccoli, Jell-O w/fruit. Subway bar.

NOTE: Entree's available daily: cheeseburger, variety of chicken sandwiches, pizza, peanut butter and jelly sandwich, fish sandwich, honey and peanut butter sandwich, 6 oz. yogurt w/string cheese.

Side choices available daily: garden salad, juice, fresh fruit.

Milk is included with all full meal purchases. Seconds available on vegetables at no additional charge. Assorted bread choices daily.

Breakfast price: \$1.45; Lunch price: \$2.25-\$2.50; Adult prices: \$2.75-\$3.00. Milk only: \$.45.

COUNSELORS CORNER

by Valerie Hynes McCaul Conferences are coming, don't miss them

Conferences will be held at the junior/senior high building April 1 and 2 from 4 to 7 p.m. Plan to attend these important meetings. Many parents call us with and questions regarding student grades, special concerns or classroom situations. This is your opportunity to meet with all the staff in person and find out the answers to your questions. Parent involvement is of the utmost importance in your child's success. Research shows that students who have parents directly involved and concern with their homework, grades and projects consistently have higher grades in school. A parent's interest and involvement also impacts a child's choices to go on to post-high school training or college. Your choice to stay involved in your child's life makes a difference. We look forward to seeing you at conferences.

Tag (You're It) is back

Tag, our annual game of random acts of kindness, will begin Monday, March 23. I will be meeting with junior high students to start the game at the school. Students are given cardboard tags and are told to do a random act of kindness for each other. They are told to write the things they are going to do on the back of the tag, then do something nice for some-

one. That person is to do an act of kindness to someone else, record it on the tag and then give the tag to someone else. When the tags are full, the students return them to the counseling office for a new tag. We have seen some amazing things happen around here when students play the game, and we can't wait to see what will happen this year.

Tag the community

Lorraine Benedict suggested that we open this game up for the entire community to play. It's a great idea, and I hope you will consider doing random acts of kindness for other people in the community. It is especially fun to play in your family and can make spring break a lot of fun for everyone. So, make up your own cardboard tags, and play Tag. You're It.

Spring break

Remember that spring break starts April 3. School resumes April 13. There will be no school for students on April 24. Teachers have professional development that Friday. Be sure and mark your calendars. Enjoy your break, take a day to do something with your child. Playing a board game, enjoying an ice cream cone or going on a bike ride are inexpensive ways to have some fun and enjoy each other. Have a safe and happy break.

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Two schools close production of 'West Side Story'

Lakewood and Maple Valley High School students combined their efforts this year in the stage production



Stephanie Schaffer gets Diesel's (Chris Eldridge) hair ready for the play by applying many coats of hair gel.

of "West Side Story." Because of construction at Lakewood, rehearsals and performances were in the Maple Valley auditorium.

The show, with a cast of 46 teens, was directed by Ryan Rosin from Maple Valley and Kenneth Smith from Lakewood.

The play, a modern take on Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*, was adapted from

a book by Arthur Laurents with music by Leonard Bernstein, lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, based on a concept by Jerome Robbins.

The lead characters were double cast so each school had a turn of offering starring leads. Tony was played by Nick Smith (MV) and Mike Kennedy (LW). Maria was played by Lynette King (LW) and Kayla Chapman



The combined cast members from Maple Valley and Lakewood are ready to take the stage for West Side Story.



'West Side Story' cast and crew pose for a shot.

(MV). Anita was played by Brandy McKelvey (MV) and Maria Licari (LW). Anybodys were Sheridan Saunders (LW) and Stephanie Schaffer (MV).

The story was about the two rival New York gangs, the Jets and the Sharks. Maria came from a Shark family and Tony was a Jet. The two fell in love and like Romeo and Juliet, tragically died as a result of the gang rivalry.

Before the play, Rosin addressed the audience from

Maple Valley and Lakewood, saying how well the two schools worked together and the number of friendships that had been made. He mentioned that the cast decided since there were two schools, they should have two cast parties. He also thanked the Lakewood parents who drove out of the district to get their children to rehearsals.

Getting boys ready for the play required many applications of hair gel to accomplish the slicked-back look.

They wore jeans and turned-up collars for most of the action.

The Jet ladies wore 1950s era dresses. The Shark ladies wore colorful ruffled skirts typical of the Puerto Rican gang.

After the play, audience members were heard to comment how well the students sang and danced. They were especially impressed with the dancing of Cody Hale as Snow Boy who did two back flips in the performance.

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Gardner assumes Syrup Queen's title



Hannah Gardner has assumed the role of 2009 Maple Syrup Queen. Ariannah Perez was named the queen but has moved out of the district. Gardner is a junior at Maple Valley High School and will help represent the festival at a variety of events throughout the state. She is the daughter of Steve and Janice Gardner and a member of the Maple Valley Equestrian team. She is employed at both Moo-ville Creamery in Nashville and Peas in a Pod Preschool.

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