

Supportive healing: Michael Breyer, 50, is approved the support he receives from Beaumont staff and his family while he recovers from a head injury. The Bloomfield Hills dentist is undergoing physical and occupational therapy at the Beaumont Rehabilitation and Health Center in Birmingham.

## Walk benefits Alzheimer's victims

Join the fight against Alzheimer's disease by partici-pating in the Sixth Annual Mem-ory Walk on Saturday, Aug. 23 at the Detroit Zoo.

Registration begins at 8:15, followed by the walk at 9:30 a.m.

The two mile walk is open to the general public and to walk-ing clubs. There is a \$25 mini-mum pledge or donation to par-

ticipate. A \$5 registration/zoo admission fee also is charged.

For registration forms, contact the Alzheimer's Association, 17220 W. 12 Mile, Suite 100, Southfield, 48076; phone (248) 557-8277, or fax (248) 557-4642.

Activities include music, aero-bic exercises, snacks, door prizes and face painting.



## Support, humor aid Hills dentist

BY SALLY TATO

His head injury hasn't hanged Michael Breyer. The Bloomfield Hills dentist The Bloomfield Hills dentist has come a long way since a patch of ice on Twelve Milo Road sent his car in a tailspin six months ago. It ended seconds later, with his brain sluming up against the side of his skull.

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skull.
Michael Breyor, 50, uses a walker to help him get around now. His speech is clear, his posture straight, his sense of humor intent.

ture straight, his sense of humor intact.

After 31 days in a coma and four life-surviving months at Benumont Hospital in Royal Oak, Michael Broyer has managed to squeeze past dectors predictions that he wouldn't live, and if he did, he would be bed-ridden, a vegetable.

"They told me it's truly a miracle. There's no way he should be here," said Michael Broyer's wife, Melody.

The dentist's wife knows how long it takes for the brain to heal. She stood faithful by her

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comatese husband's bed, talking to him everyday, sharing stories about their daughters, ages 16 and 28, insisting he get up because he had two dental practices to run, clipping his nails and trimming his bair.

She domands more of him when he loses hope and strength. And she still supports him during his last leg of recovery at Beaumont Rehabilitation and Health Center in Birmingham, where he is fine tuning his short-term memory, regaining use of his left-arm and building stamina.

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Last month's limousine crash, which injured three members of the Detroit Red Wings team, was like daje we for the couple. Melody Breyer's thoughts urned immediately to the pain the wives and families of these men would experience and the support they needed to offer.

"It's almost too close for comfort. I've been able to point out to Michael what he went through through them," Melody Breyer said. "I really have had moments where I've said I've got

to get to those women."
Winge defensemen Vladimir Konstantinov and team massens Sergei Mnatsakanov are slowly recovering from head injuries at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. The two were upgraded recently from "scrious" to "fair" condition but still face months of therapy to heal their wounds.

Doctors and therapists can't predict when and to what extent the men will recover. Brain healing still remains a mystery but explanations seem to tiptoe around the amount of swelling and lack of oxygen to the brain, as well as the physical traumathe brain experiences during the accident, said Dr. Sherry Viola, medical director of William Beaumont Hospital's Cognitive Retraining Program.

Viola and a staff of dectors and therapists joined Michael Breyer and two other head injury patients last week at the Beaumont Rehabilitation Centro show the varied stages of recevery, as well as the possible provide the stages of receives the stages of receives the stages of the st Doctors and therapists can't

saknnov could take. All three of the patients suffered their head injuries during car accidents. Sundra Piazza, 24, needs assistance to walk and speaks haltingly and softly. She is recovering from a Feb. 23 accident. Shantanu Ambastha, 28, says he's back to normal and was released from the rehabilitation center in February. Michael Breyer doesn't know if he'll still be undergoing physical and occupational therapy at the rehabilitation center by the time the Wings get there but said he's willing to offer his support.

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He credits the support he got from the center, as well as from his wife and daughters to his own healthy healing.

"I feel like the luckiest guy in the world," said Michael Breyer, who eventually wants to return to his practice in Wayne. "I'm starting to walk with a cane and things are looking really good for me... It's a very long, hard road."



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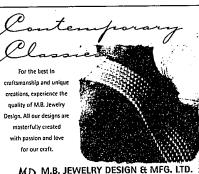
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