

OBITUARIES

PERIO J. GLORIO
Mr. Glorio, 69, of West Bloomfield died June 13 in Henry Ford Hospital, West Bloomfield.
Born in Detroit, Mr. Glorio was vice president of sales in the plastic industry.
Survivors include his wife, Mary; son, David of Farmington Hills; daughter, Karen Luther of Farmington Hills; sister, Mary.

Miller, brothers, Elmo and John; four grandchildren.
Mass was celebrated in Prince of Peace Catholic Church, West Bloomfield. Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.
Arrangements were made by the McCabe Funeral Home, Farmington Hills.

Gas tax would smooth way for road work

BY BILL COUTANT
STAFF WRITER
While Detroit is called the Motor City for the cars produced there, area and state roads that carry them have some less flattering nicknames.

Legislators are now working on a proposal that would increase Michigan's gas tax to support road repair and construction, but there probably won't be any action this summer, said Rep. Jan Dolan, R-Farmington Hills.
"The bill was just introduced," Dolan told Farmington Hills City Council members at a study session June 12. "It won't be taken up before the break."
The tax increase would be 7 cents, putting Michigan up from 15 cents to 22 cents, the gas tax rate in Ohio.
"That would be a great start," said Farmington Hills City Manager Bill Costick.
Even with the increase, Michi-

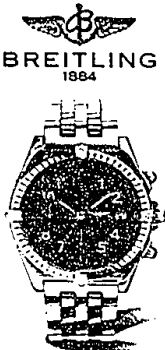
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gan, which ranks 49th in fees paid on 80,000-pound trucks and 45th in per capita spending on roads, would still be one of the lowest taxing states for diesel fuel. Michigan not only charges only 15 cents a gallon for diesel, but it gives a 6 cent discount, leaving only a 9 cent tax per gallon. Indiana, which like Michigan taxes gas at 15 cents a gallon, taxes diesel fuel at 27 cents.
Dolan said that even with an increase the distribution of money for roads would remain the same, and communities like Farmington Hills would not get a proportional increase.

Councilman Aldo Vagnoli said local authorities are better able to understand local road problems and the distribution should reflect that.
Michigan's gas tax rate has not been raised since 1984. And although Gov. John Engler's "Build Michigan" program transferred \$45 million for a three-year period for transportation, that will end this fall leaving Michigan cities, villages and county road commissions with an 8 percent reduction.
Another problem Michigan faces has been created by its own, as well as foreign, automobile expertise. Since the tax is a per-gal-

lon user fee, the better gas mileage increases in wear and tear on roads but doesn't translate into more tax money to pay for roads because cars are much more fuel efficient.
As an example, with Michigan's tax rate of 16 cents a gallon, a car getting 18 miles per gallon would generate \$100 in tax over 12,000 miles. But a car getting 21 mpg would only generate \$86 in gas tax and a car getting 24 mpg would only generate \$75 over 12,000 miles of driving.

Dolan said she doesn't expect action on the bill before the Legislature breaks for the summer, but does hold out some hope of action.
"I would be most surprised to see us move that fast," she said, adding that a lot of bills are pending in the Legislature. "But they could bring us back every two weeks (during the summer)."



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INSTRUMENTS FOR PROFESSIONALS

Diplomas earned in English class that's facing cut

BY MARIE CHESTNEY
STAFF WRITER
Mary Araj from Jordan has spent the last year in an English-as-a-second-language class because she wanted to help her children with their homework.
Magdalena Cantu from Mexico took the same class at Clarenceville Public Schools because she wanted to be able to speak to her fiancé's parents.
Tryphon Hamaty from Syria studied English in Janet Cheney's class so that he could communicate with his grandchildren.
And Kyu Wong from Hong Kong took the same class so that he could "talk with the people where I work."
Sixteen students in Clarenceville's adult education class received their diplomas Friday during a luncheon at Clarenceville High. They are the first to do so in a class that was launched for

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the first time last September and which may not come back in the fall.
Because of new state rules, adult education classes now lose money for Clarenceville. The loss in state income for the programs has been so steep that the district recently decided not to renew its agreement with Ferndale Public Schools, which runs the program for Clarenceville.
"We still don't know if this one class will be held," said Rose Govig, director of community education. "We're trying to see if we can keep it going. We need to know what pieces of the program we can keep, and what pieces we will drop."
Superintendent David Kamish said it will take about \$200,000 for Clarenceville to run its own

adult classes in English, social studies, math, GED prep and pharmacy technician, among others.
"Most of us are sad because the classes are ending and we don't even know if we are going to have another class next September," said Marie Granados, a student from Paraguay. "We have been sharing a lot of things — happiness, sadness, hopes, laughs and even tears. These were moments of real friendship. We have learned so, so many things, from the alphabet to U.S.A. history. And everything was in a fun way. We played, we sang, and we even danced. We learned to read, to write, to speak, and sometimes, to think in English."
"We are from different cultures, with different ideas, different

thinking. But we all have the same desire to prosper."
The 11 other adult students, who received diplomas are: Lina Batah, from Syria; Enel Bldone, Haiti; Luis DeAnzorena, Mexico; Samer, Shatha and Zayd Fatoohi, from Iraq; Eva Fernandez, Mexico; Yadhira Guerrero, Carmen Pastrana and Maria Medina, from Mexico; and Anait Moutafian, Armenia.
Under the leadership of Govig, Clarenceville will continue to run its community education programs because they are money-makers. These include latchkey, day care and swimming.
In past years, Clarenceville made more than \$600,000 from its adult education classes. From its figure dropped this year to \$50,000, and even then Clarenceville had to foot some of the costs from the Ferndale-run program, Kamish said.

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