

## REUNIONS

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**TAYLOR CENTER HIGH SCHOOL** — The class of 1997 will hold a 10-year reunion Sept. 22 at the Ramada Inn of Taylor. For more details, visit [classes.com](http://classes.com) or send e-mail to [elaina.vickstrom@hotmail.com](mailto:elaina.vickstrom@hotmail.com).

**TAYLOR CENTER HIGH SCHOOL** — The classes of 1957, '58 and '59 are taking a Caribbean cruise in May. To learn more, visit [classes.com](http://classes.com) or call Betty Roberts at 1-480-354-3000.

**TRENTON HIGH SCHOOL** — The class of 1997 will hold a reunion at Nicolò's Banquet Facility of Trenton on Oct. 5. Interested classmates can e-mail a mailing address to [lbs\\_1997@hotmail.com](mailto:lbs_1997@hotmail.com) or call 1-734-379-5107.

**TRENTON HIGH SCHOOL** — The class of 1987 will hold a reunion Nov. 23 at the Grecian Center in Southgate. Visit [www.ctrine.dvincinet.com](http://www.ctrine.dvincinet.com) or call Sharon Culbertson at 1-734-261-3264 to learn more.

**TRENTON HIGH SCHOOL** — The class of 1982 will hold a 25-year reunion Nov. 24 at Mr. Nick's in Trenton. For details, contact Pam Fischke Kennedy at [hrchape@comcast.net](mailto:hrchape@comcast.net).

**TRUMAN HIGH SCHOOL (TAYLOR)** — The

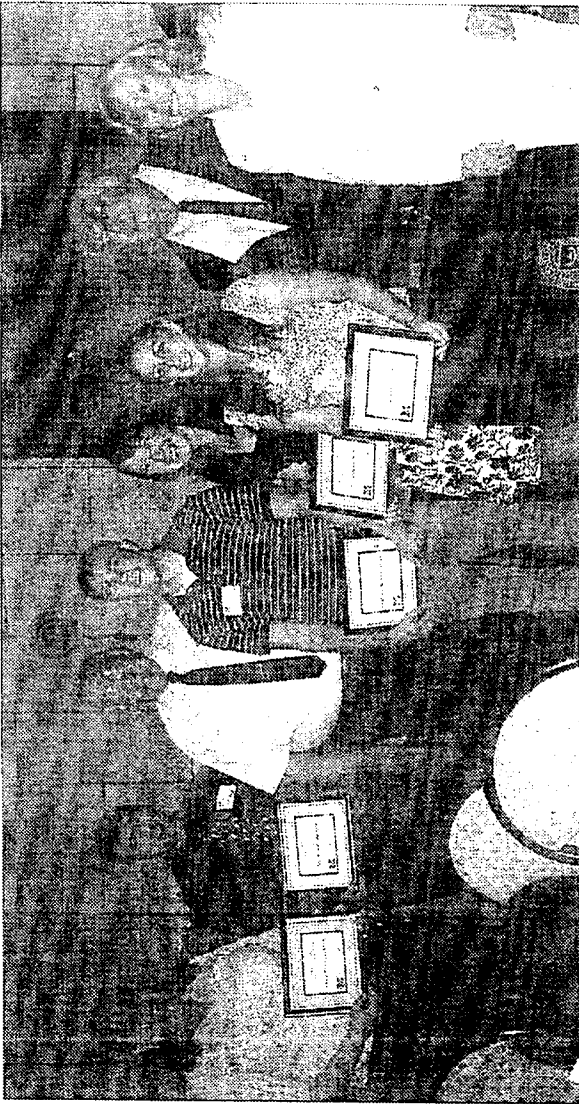
class of 1977 will hold a reunion Sept. 28 and 29. For more information, contact Marc Doubleday at [bse.1977@yahoo.com](mailto:bse.1977@yahoo.com) or call Lynn Polgar at 1-313-294-2107.

**WESTERN HIGH SCHOOL (DETROIT)** — The class of 1962 will hold a 45-year reunion Sept. 15 at Warren Valley Country Club, Dearborn Heights. Other classes are welcome, too. For details, call Helen Knight at 1-734-285-4927 or Ralph Brighton at 1-734-513-7499.

**WESTERN HIGH SCHOOL (DETROIT)** — The January and June classes of 1947 are planning a final reunion for Sept. 20. Other classes are welcome. To reserve a spot, call Ralph Watts at 1-313-382-8131.

**WOODHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL** — The class of 1987 will hold a 20-year reunion Nov. 23 at the Holiday Inn-Southgate. For more information, e-mail [kflemi@earthlink.net](mailto:kflemi@earthlink.net) or WHS-1987@hotmail.com.

To have a reunion listed, send information, including names and telephone numbers, to Paula Evans Neuman, Reunions, The News-Herald Newspapers, One Heritage Drive, Suite 100, Southgate, MI 48105, fax it to 1-734-246-2727, or e-mail it to [paula@bes-itate.com](mailto:paula@bes-itate.com).



Scholarship recipients are awarded by the University of Michigan Club of Downriver during an Aug. 27 dinner. Cathryn Eccleston (left) accepted an award on behalf of her sister, Laura. Daniel Maggard holds his honor, presented by Gerald Rockensuss. Ted Herringshaw holds his honor, as does Courtney Velmore, who accepted on behalf of her mother, Tomi. Kelly Bryan also holds her award, given by Larry Rockensuss and Katie Hartwell, scholarship chairwoman for the club.

## U of M Club awards students

BY PAULA EVANS NEUMAN  
The News-Herald

Toni Velmore of Wyandotte isn't your typical university student.

She graduated from Grosse Ile High School in 1988. She's been busy since then raising her seven children.

She recently entered the University of Michigan-Dearborn to major in mathematics, economics and secondary education. Her goal is to become a teacher.

On Aug. 27, the University of Michigan Club of Downriver awarded Velmore a President's Special Recognition Scholarship of \$1,500.

Katie Hartwell, scholarship chairwoman for the club, said Velmore earned the special award "because of her excellent academic record as well as her determination in spite of all obstacles to get her degree."

Velmore was at work on the night of the presentation, so her eldest child, Courtney, 17, accepted the award on her behalf.

Four other local college students were awarded Presidential Scholarships during the club's dinner meeting, held at the Grand Buffet III in Woodhaven.

"The award this year was given in memory of our late board member, George Kenneth 'Rocky' Rocken, brothers, Larry and Gerald, were there to present the awards."

Kelly Bryan was awarded for her high academic standing at U of M in Ann Arbor, where she is in her third year as a mechanical engineering major.

Bryan is a 2004 Trenton High School graduate, and was selected by Ford Motor

Co. to serve as an active member of its team in its summer internship program for the past three summers.

Scholarship recipient Ted Herringshaw has earned University Honors during his first year at the school's Ann Arbor campus, and has been accepted into the U of M Business School. He is a 2006 Grosse Ile High School graduate.

Scholarship winner Daniel Maggard is a full-time student at U of M-Dearborn in his junior year as a mechanical engineering major. He also works full time as a janitor at The Henry Ford, working from 4 to 10 a.m. each day.

"The committee admired his determination to get an education without going into debt for it," Hartwell said.

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district."

Maggard is a 2006 Melvindale High School graduate. Recipient Laura Eccleston is a senior at U of M-Dearborn and is a 2004 graduate of Grosse Ile High School.

She has earned high honors in her program of art history and museum studies, and also has worked to help others on campus as a writing consultant.

"She has contributed to her community by directing the Downriver Youth Performing Arts Center, which is devoted to giving young people the opportunity to get on stage," Hartwell said.

Eccleston's sister, Cathryn, accepted the award on her behalf.

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To learn more about the U of M Club of Downriver, visit <http://umclubs.com/downriver>.