

## AROUND TOWN

## W-W cuts spending, maintains programs

Eco-friendly
Most of us have medications
that we no longer take, are old, that we no longer take, are old,
have expired, or were used by have expired, or were used by
someone who died. And usualsomeone who died. And blushing them down the toilet or a drain. Although that method
of disposal prevents immediof disposal prevents immedi-
ate accidental ingestion, it can cause contamination
aquatic environment. To avoid such unwanted pol lution, the Westland senior Friendship Center is hosting
a Drug Disposal Day noon to a Drug Disposal Day noon to
4 p.m. Friday, June 12. Just 4 prim. Friday, June your oxpired or unused medications to the back parking lot of the Friendship
Cénter at 1119 N. Newbu Cénter at 1119 N. Newburgh,
between Marquette and Ford
between Marquette and
roads.
The Westland Police Department will be or hand to properly dispose of medica tions to prevent them from
being flushed down the toilet and ending up in the water supply

For the troops Take time to say thank you to
the troops on Sunday; June 14 . the The Westland Jaycees are inviting shoppers to stop by
the East Court of the Westland the East Court of the Westland
Shopping Center 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. to sign thank you cards for the soldiers to let the troops know that we appreciate the hard work a
The Westland Jaycees started the event three years ago, and the response from the community has been outstanding.
They're hoping to get at least 500 cards to send to the troops. The organization will provide blank memo cards and thank you cards for people to sign.
There also will be pictures for There also will be pictures for
children to color as well as a few T-shirts that can be signed, too. It also will cover the postage. People who want to donate blank cards or turn in signed
cards before June 14 can drop them off at the mall's Customer Service booth outside of Macy's. For more information, call the Jaycee hotline at (734) 226-,
0400 or visit the organization's ${ }_{\text {Web page at www.westlandjay- }}$ cees.org.

Yard sale
The Westland Historical
Commission will host a yard Commission will host a yard
sale 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday sale $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Saturday
June 13 , at the Westland Historic Village Park on Wayn Historic Village Park on Way
Road, north of Cherry Hill. Road, north of Cheryy Ho. Items for sale
belly stoves, vintage wooden
doors, miscellaneous furniture doors, mis
and more.

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BY SUE MASON
OSSERVER SAAFF WRTTER
Wayne-Westland Community Schools won't be spending as much in the new budget year as it has this ear. The purchase of reppacement
school buses, library books, textbooks and some technology replacement has been reduced as the district grapples with dwindling state and federal revenue. t's been since 2000-01; we're actin
to address the situation," said Gary
Martin, deputy superintendent of Martin, deputy superintendent of vices. "This is really a tough time for education.
The 200 The 2009-10 budget, presented hool board Monday evening, projected that the district will take in $\$ 111.6$ million in revenue. and use $\$ 7$ million of its $\$ 9$ million
fund equity to cover $\$ 18.6$ milfund equity to cover $\$ 118.6$ mil-
lion in expenses. The $\$ 2$ million lion in expenses. The $\$ 2$ million is
the lowest fund equity the district has had since 1994-95, when it was
plunged into deficit with the advent plunged into deficit with the advent
of Proposal A. The district was $\$ 1.9$ million in the hole that year and was able to build up to a $\$ 3.1$ million surplus in 1995-96. Martin estimates the district will
receive 79.4 percent of its revenue, $\$ 88.7$ million, from the state, down from $\$ 91.5$ million during the curent budget year. He is projecting that the per-pupil foundation allowance of $\$ 7,957$ will remain flat at
best and could be cut by executive order, if there continues to be a
reduction in state revenue collecProperty taxes will provide 16.9 percent ( $\$ 18.8$ million) of revenue,
while while 3.7 percent $(\$ .5$ million) will diate school district Cost containment will save the district $\$ 2.2$ million: However, the district anticipates salary increases
around 1.5 percent, a modest around 1.5 percent, a modest
increase of 0.4 percent to 16.94 Pleasê see BuDGET, A3


Graduation Day
Meleni Maksuti (above), gives a big huq to fellow graduate Rajah Ismail as seniors prepare for the
start of John Glenn High School's commencement Saturday morning. More than 400 students start of John Glenn High School's commencement Saturday morning. More than 400 students received diplonas. graduate Brittanie Simmons (below) gives a shout out during commencement ceremonies. Photos and a list of Wayne Memorial graduates will appear in the Sunday issue of the Observer.


## E -newsletters deliver hometown vie e-mail

Starting Sunday, June 14,
readers will have a great way to stay plugzed a great wa hometown news. The their E Eccentric and The Observer $母$ Eccentric and Hometown
Newspapers will debut Today's Newspapers will debut Todays
Headlines, a free electronic newsletter that will automatinewsletter that wil automati-e-mail to anyone who signs up at hometownife.com. wanted to do for a long time," said Executive Editor Susan Rosiek. "People are very busy
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local news is high. This will local news is high. This will
make it easy for readers and advertisers to stay connected to local news that matters. Starting Sunday, readers will
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Milford Times - will offer Eniford Times - will offer Ethe Birmingham and South Oakland Eccentric newspapers will offer them on Sunday. The local Business and local come out once a week.

## Panel aims for complete count in 2010 census

| BY LEANNE ROGERS | Director Bruce Thompson, <br> OBSERVER STAFF WRITER |
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| who is chairing the CCC. "The |  |
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City officials tout Westland at convention

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| son," said Fodale, who had | if it pans out like I expect,' |
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Westland officials with a chance
to promote the city directly with developers using a flash ith information about the former Sam's Club and Parkway - Best Buy vacated that site to relocate further east
at the corner of Wayne Road - Ford 2020, the conceptual design master plan for potentia alor Ford Road and Central City Parkway and marketing information about Westland, including demographic data. owners of bigh of the We got a lot of information. should see a lot of benefit, said Fodale.

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## John Glenn Class of 2009 receives diplomas

More than 400 members
More than 400 members
of the Class of 2009 received diplomas during John Glenn High School's commencement ceremony Saturday, Jun 6, at the Eastern Michigan
University Convocation Cente in Ypsilanti.
Receiving their diplomas Receiving their diploma were: $\quad$ Douglas Adams, Jeffrey Adkins, Janell Agus, Tolanda Agurs, Zaic Anderson, Taylor Arancibia, Jeanett Anderson, Taylor Arancibla, Jeanette
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## Salvation Army reaches out to area unemployed



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appointments are needed: People also will also need proof of unemploy ment in that time span. Appointments can be made
by calling Robin Rutledgeby calling Robin Rutledge-
Clarke at $(734) 722-3660$, Ext. 17. "We are noticing a continuing rise of service
requests," Rose said requests, Rose said, noting
that there are great needs "to provide tangible things for people. If we assist them in one area, that will free up
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ing" for utility assistance in between corps cycles of funds.

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-Additional "gap filling for rental assistance
in between corps cycles of funds. The Wayne-Westland Salvation Army is on Venoy,
south of Palmer in Westland.
-By Julie Brown
Veterans association holds flag retirement ceremony

BY LLANNE ROGERS
OBSERVER STAFF WITER
A lot of people are taking advantage of an opportunity to properly dispose of worn Flag Day. tory at the William Faust Public Library since Veterans Day. The Westland Veteran Association is hosting a Flag Retirement Ceremony at the library beginning at 9 a.m. "We won't be able to burn all those flags in three hours. People have put into the recep-
tacle flags you can hold in your hand up to big flags that you fly on a flag pole," said Ken Mehl, president of the Westland Veterans Association. "It's kind of strange - we are
emptying the receptacle every three weeks. emptying the receptacle every three weeks. We
started out doing it twice a week for the first few months."

Even stranger, Mehi reports that mail was being found deposited with the flags - some
people apparently confused the receptacle with people apparently confused the receptacle with
a mail box. The mail was turned over to Library Director Cheryl Napsha so it could get to the right place.
The flag disposal ceremony - expected to last about 15 minutes - will begin at 9 a.m. flags and we took parts of a couple of ceremonies," Mehl said. "It happened to fall on Flag $\stackrel{\text { nies, }}{\text { Day," }}$ Various VFW posts have hosted flag disposal
ceremonies but this sid ceremonies, but this is the first time the cer Central City Parkway.
After the ceremony is concluded, the association will host a breakfast until noon. The cost is
$\$ 6$ per person. $\$ 6$ per person.
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## BUDGET

$\therefore$. percent of pay for state retire-
ment costs and 2-to 3-percent increases in health care in the new budget year. Martin also is projecting the district's current enrollment of 13,143 students will drop to 12,787, due in large part to the
states failing economy. Some of those losses will be offset with new schools of choice nrollment
The district lias lost more han 1,500 students since the 2002-03 school year, repre-
senting $\$ 11.9$ million in lost revenue, Martin said
"Eighty percent of the dis-

## CENSUS

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census is for. Those are the people who benefit from the census."
Populat Population figures developed through the census count for programs, including Title 1 grants to school districts, Head Start programs, Women, Infant and Children (WIC)
food grants, emergency food food grants, emergency food
and shelter funding and programs for the elderly.

## QNDEMTII from page al

## The developers were very appreciative of getting infor mation about westland on which is easier for them to share than stacks of paper: "We got a lot of attention for was a very good event - ben eficial", said Godbout. While there were other <br> E-MAIL <br> "We are excited about this project" said Advertising

ricts in this state have lost enrollment," he said. "The state has lost 107,00 student We'll have 142,000 fewer "chool-aged children by 2015 The losses are staggering.".
A new state School Aid Act isn't anticipated before Augus or September and the receipt of $\$ 6.8$ million in enhanced chool aid the district receive According to Supt Baracy, there's been no deciion on the enhanced revenue ecause the latest revenue predictions are "even more unable to get the enhanced revenue put back into a new School Aid Act, the district Westland has the potential
for a large part of the population to be mobile - 37 percen of Westland residences are is home to the Wayne County Family Shelter. "We have a lot of apartments, more than most comThe schools will be a big pa of this - everyone sends their kids to school."
Some people may be reluctant to complete the census because they don't want to give about their residency status,

## municipalities attending the

 convention, Fodale said shedidn't see many Michigan communities present. "A lot of other places haven't Se things on the back burner ev had two major potential developments Fodale. "We were there network with retailers and rokers. There were develope ooking for projects three or economy."
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Baracy said The state expects the State School Aid Fund to have a $\$ 732$ million shortfall in $2009-10$ on top of a $\$ 425$ mil-
lion shortfall this year. Other than earmarked funds, federal stimulus money meant for the schools will be used to plug holes in the fund, although it the losses, he said "The stimulus in cover $\$ 265$ per student in $2009-10$ and $\$ 457$ per studen in $2010-11$. When it runs out, it will be rolled back to us," think it can't get any worse, it gets worse. We're going through the same thing busi-
ness is going through" ness is going through

## income or other aspect of thei life they want to keep prive "The wans to keep private.

 "The census is required by law to keep the information private. The $I R S$ (Internal Revenue Service) INS (Immigration and Naturalization Service), the CIA, not even the president Thompson, adding the CCC needs to find ways to help people feel comfortable with giving information to the cen Anyone Anyone interested in getting
involved with the CCC is wel come to attend the meeting
smaller businesses are filling existing and strip centers, not
ing that 36 business certificates of occupancy have been issued.
Altho Although the area on the
north side of Westland is being marketed, Fodale said more vacancies have occurred south and east of the mall. At the northeast corner of Wayne and Warren, Michael's
has closed and Work $N$ Gear recently moved into the mall, leaving Toys R Us as the only be entered into drawings June
14 through July 2 for Emagine Theatre movie passes, concert tickets at the Palace and DTE and gift certificates for dinner at
restaurants throughout western Wayne and Oakland counties.


## Public Safety

## Three men face charges for spray painting building

Three Westland men were arrested June 7 for spray painting walis at the vacant Value
City Department Store, causing an estimated $\$ 5,000$ damage.
The men, two 18 -year-olds and one 19 -year-
old, are expected to be arraigned today (Jure old, are expected to be arraigned today (June 11) in 18th District Court on charges of vandal

The property mana
The property manager called police to the
store, 36901 Warren Road, after finding the
entire south wall and parts of the east and north walls had been spray painted. Part of the
graffiti read "June 4, 2009 11:09 p.m." leading grafititi read june 4, 2009 il:09 p.m. leading
the owner and police to conclude that that was when the vandalism had occurred. Based on interviews with the three men, police said they indicated being responsible for
spray painting the former Sam's Club and Best Buy buildings, located on Central City Parkway near Wayne Road.

## Wrestling camp

The Glenn Wresting Program will hold its annual p.m. July 20-24 in Gym 4 of John Glenn High School. The camp is open to middle school The high school students. The cost is $\$ 50$ and include 9:30 a.m. Monday, July 20 Registration forms are available during Road Rockets 5:30-7 p.m. Mondays and
Thursdays, which is held in Thursdays, which is held in
Gym 4 or online at glennwres tling.com. For questions, contact Coach Polk at rocketwrestling@gmail.com or Judy Used book sale The League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County will hold their used book sale Friday-Saturday,
June $26-28$ at the Westland Shopping Center Wayne and Warren roads, Westland. There will be a preview 6-8:30 p.m. Thursday, June 25, and
cost $\$ 3$. Hours will be 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. June $26-27$ and 1 a.m. to 5 p.m. June 28. Most books and magazines will be priced at $\$ 1$ or less; videos, vidually priced. To donate, cal vidually priced. To donate, call
(734) $421-4420$. Inspire Theatre There's sure to be laughter as the wish for a simple wed
ding turns into a big affair when the Inspire Theatre presents Father of the Bride

AROUND WESTLAND
Friday-Saturday, June 1213, inside The Warren Road Light and Life Church, 33445 in Westland. Show time is $7: 30$ p.m., and tickets are $\$ 12$ each For more information, call (734) 751-7057 or go online to

## Golf outing

The John Glenn High School Wrestling Program will hold its 12th Annual Golf Outing Fund-raiser Saturday, Sept.
19, at the Warren Valley Golf Course. The cost is $\$ 85$ for golf, cart, lunch at the turn and dinner. Dinner only guests are welcome, cost is 25. Contact Coach Polk at rocketwrestling@gmail.com
or Judy at (734) $634-4595$ for more information or to make eservations. More information also is available online at glennwrestling.com. Hole being accepted. All donations are welcome!

## Hazardous waste

The Wayne County epartment of Environment has announced a Household
Hazardous Waste Collection day in the City of Westland. scheduled for 8 a.m. to 3 Saturday, Aug: 22, in the lot behind JC Penney at the Westland Shopping Center, Warren Road and Nankin boulevard. Household gener
ated waste will be collected from any Wayne County resi dent.

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| Norris Taylor | 337 | boxes, bags, pictures |
| Lyndale Thomas | 521. | boxes, bags, totes |
| Angela Daily | 535 | boxes, bags, dresser |
| Mathew Bruce | 619 | sofa, vacuum, boxes |
| Amber Larowe | 831 | boxes, bags, sofa |
| June Francisco | 833 | boxes, bags, table |
| Keith Garland | 904 | boxes, bags, tool box |
| Ron VerDoot | 1039 | boxes, bags, totes |
| Bianca Jordan | 1118 | boxes, bags, sofa |
| Shane Haase | 1129 | boxes, totes, tv |
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Removal within 24 hour
and fees are past due.

Break-ins
On June 7 , a resident in the
32000 block of genesse Court told police that over the previous couple of days someone had broken into his home,
The homeowner said a window may have been left unlocked, adding the blinds left unlocke the window had been moved and there was grass on the couch which is below the window.
When he returned When he returned home, dead bolt, which had been left locked, was unlocked. Reported missing were an Xbox 360 game system,
inline skates, a collection of 30 Detroit Tigers caps and a lava amp valued at $\$ 1,370$. - A break-in was also reported at a home in the 32000 block of Genesee Court. A family member told police
that she was checking on the that she was checking on the
house June 7 while the owner was away and found someon had used a brick to break a rear window. The person was
able to reach in and unlock the able to reach in and unlock the
window but the relative was unable to say whether anything had been stolen from the Break

A rototiller, weed wacker, 2 leafblower and a small television were reported stolen from a garage in the 28000 owner told police that the previous evening, a man had stopped to ask if a vehicle in her driveway was for sale. It wasn't but the man went into
the garage to look at a second vehicle which the woman had for sale.
The service door to the garage may have been left new gas grill and propane tank were reported stolen from the front porch. The items were valued at $\$ 652$.
Talking to her landlord about the incident, she said the ed like a former tenant.
Larceny
3 A resident of an apartment in the 6500 block of Yale one had stolen her school bag

| Notice of Public Sale of Personal Property. |  |  |
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| Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 4 of the Self Service Storage Facility Act, State of Michigan, PS Orangeco, Inc. and/or Shurgard TRS, Ine. will conduct sale(s) at Public Storage located at 3650 Enterprise Dr. Allen Park, Mi 48101 (313) 441-3117 6/26/2009 at: 12:00pm. Sales are for cash only. Removal within 24 hours. For sale and storage units in which rent and fees are past due. |  |  |
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| Personal property described below in the matter of: |  |  |
| Cheryl A Calvilla | B042 | boxes, bags, tv |
| Nakia Mathis | B091 | chairs, mattress, sofa |
| Nada Abulhassan | B094 | boxes, bags, lamp |
| Dwain Puryear | B128 | boxes, bags, totes |
| Annette Hawkins | B132 | boxes, bags, totes |
| Trina Moore | B152 | boxes, totes |
| Tabita Latham | ${ }^{\text {B185 }}$ | boxes, dresser, totes |
| Ricky Wallace | B226 | bags, bed fame, boxes |
| Petrice Johnson | B257 | boxes, bags, totes |
| Dale Marie Griffin | B267 | bags, boxes, record play |
| Herman Watkins | ${ }^{\text {B298 }}$ | boxes, bags, clothes |
| Brenda Switzer | C040 | bags, boxes, totes |
| Aaron Daniels | D030 | boxes, bags, refrigerator |
| Jason Hall | E008 | boxes, bags, totes |
| Carol Lyons | E023 | boxes, bags, grill |
| Sturge Moreland | F014 |  |
| Aikesiah Carter | F049 | stove, bags, refrigerator |
| 209 |  |  |

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Service Storage Facility Act State of Mich



| Personal property described below in the matter of: |  |  |
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| Talis Dugas | 2051 | boxes, totes, sofa |
| Robert Howell | 2055 | tr, boxes, totes |
| Nancyanne Hill | 3009 | boxes, totes, tv |
| Elizabeth Montez | 3024 | tr, chair, boxes |
| Erma Austin | ${ }_{3042}^{3042}$ | boxes, dresser, chair |
|  | 3084 | boxes, chair, dresser |
| Jeremy McCauley | 4008 | table dresser, Yahama 250 |
| Sharrie Gardner | 4058 | tv, boxes, bags |
| Edwin Omey | 5003 | boxes, dresser, snow blower |
| Bradley Fleming | 5009 | chest, microwave, tires |
| Joy Lynn | 5016 | bags, totes, stove |
| Flowers by DeAvila | 5037 | boxes, bags, tool box |
| Tracie Breuer | 6037 | Honda motorcycle VIN HM319HM0B4501 |
| Felicia Davis | 6042 | washer, dryer, totes |
| Donald Daigle | 6080 | boxes, ty, fan |
| Ron Bembry | 6085 | bags |
| Rosemarie Schafer | 6093 | boxes, totes, dresser |
| Tammy Goupill | 6099 | boxes, bagss, dresser |
| Douglas White | 6129 | chair, dresser, boxes |
| Donald Lewandowski | 7002 | washer, dryer, boxes |
| Jeffrey Stonecipher | 7082 | totes, dresser, boxes |
| Deonte Barber | 7108 | bags, totes, dresser |
| Dineen Hawkins | 9092 | boxes, totes |
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containing a lap top computer her driver's license, check book, gift cards and $\$ 200$ in She told the officer that her son was walking in front of her carrying the bag while she wa
carrying her laundry Her son arrived at the eleva tor first and set the bag down on the elevator floor while he came back out to tell her the elevator was there, the wo
said, but the door closed behind him. When the elevator returned, the bag was gone. The woman said she checked other floors for her bag with-
Retail fraud
4 A Novi man was arrested
A for shoplifting food, clothing and tools valued at $\$ 591$
from Meijer 37201 Warren Road, June 7. Witnesses alerted store employees that the man had filled a cart with items and left without paying The man was detained b
store security. He was also cited for marijuana possession. Fraud
On June 6, a Farmington woman told police that someone had stolen her wallet while she was cancelliny the time cards the cencling her credit found the card had already found the card had already
been used to charge more th \$1,900 at Best Buy, 35100
Central City Parkway. A sec
ond charge of $\$ 106$ on a differ-
ent card was processed at the ent card was processed at the
same time, she said.
Vandalism
5 An officer was dispatched Middlebelt, late June 7 complaint that a customer had damaged groceries. The clerk told the officer that a man rang up a number of
items at a U-Scan register and went to pay with a check. The check was refused due to the addresses listed on his check and identification not match-
ing.
The man became irate the clerk said; and threw several of the bagged groceries to the floor damaging the items. The damaged items, including four hal
gallons of ice cream, ground gallons of ice cream, ground
beef, bread and two gallons of milk, were valued at $\$ 24$.
Break-in
On June 4, a resident in the 31000 block of Bay Court
told police that someone had pried the lock off his storage container and stolen assorted tools valued at $\$ 1,105$. The
man said he had last seen the man said he
toools May 4.
Vandalism
A resident in the 2000 block
of Kaley told police June 4 that of Kaley told police June 4 that
someone had keyed her vehisomeone had keyed her veh
cle, causing $\$ 500$ damage.
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- By LeAnne Rogers

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> Robert Prerce
Shatunna Priester
> $\begin{array}{ll}1460 & \text { washer, dryer, boxes } \\ 1482 \\ \text { speakers, dessere tv } \\ 2188 & \text { boxes, bags, totes }\end{array}$

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Faith \& Hope Family Outreach Center GIVE-A-WAY

## June 13, 2009•10am-2pm

Located in the Canton Calvary Assembly of
7933 Sheldon Road $\cdot$ Canton



## Summer camp is magic for kids

## OBEE SUEE STASF WRTITER

Teachers get their summers off from school, but careertechnical teacher Will Heine
has decided to go back to school, so to speak. A veteran magician, Heine has decided to open a summer magic camp for youngsters
interested in learning the art of prestidigitation.
${ }^{\circ}$ "As a high school teacher, I realized that kids don't have
a lot of interaction time with a lot of interaction time with
people anymore", said the people anymore," said the
Plymouth resident. "Theyr busy texting friends, they're on the computer. The camp will be fun and teach k' interaction skills. of hand, stage magic juggling of hand, stage magic, jugging
balloon animals, presentation skills, the art of magic, building a stage magic trick, writing
a story line for a trick and tim a story line for a trick and tim-
ing of humor, all leading up to a Grand Finale Magic Show for their parents. The week
also will include magic per-
formances by Heine and other magic and juggling guests.
They'll receive a Magic Ba They 11 receive a Magic Bag to learn the props they'll need taught during the week and a DVD containing all the lessons taught so that kids can refer to how, if they happen to forget how to perform a trick. the tools needed to perform he tools needed to perform the week," Heine said. "They'll learn how to tear and restore newspaper, amazing rope
tricks, how to float objects tricks, how to float objects and
how to make sponge rabbits disappear from guests' hands into their hands." The camp will be offered
in four sessions - Mondayin four sessions - Monday-
Friday, July 6 -10, July 13-17, July $20-24$ and July $27-31$ the Novi United Methodist Church, 41671 W. 10 Mile, just west of Meadowbrook, Novi.
If those four weeks fill up ses If those four weeks fill up, ses-
sions will be opened the first two weeks of August. Hours will 8:30 a.m. to $3: 30$
p.m., and lunch will be pro-
vided by the church's licensed kitchen. The cost is $\$ 370-\mathrm{a}$
deposit of $\$ 185$ in advance deposit of $\$ 185$ in advance
with the remainder due at a pre-camp meeting. Child care also is available 6:30-8:30 time fee of $\$ 40$. Parents will receive a full refund of their deposit is the child is unable to
attend the attend the camp.
For more infor For more information about
Heine's Summer Magic Camp call (877) ALAKAZAM, (877) 252-5292, or go online at SummerMagicCamp.com.
"The camp is about fun and "The camp is about fun and
making kids smarter" said making kids smarter," said
Heine. "The camp will be
entertaining and entertaining and will be about
entertaining, entertaining."
Heine has be Heine has been a magician
for more than 30 years . for more than 30 years. He
was introduced to the sleight of hand at age 10 and did his first show at age 11. His first gig was three doors down his
street at a birthday party and street at a birthday party and
his first trick was the egg nag his first trick was the egg appears and disappears in a
bag.

During his career, he has been an opening act at the Fisher Theater for comedian Robert Townsend and for fellow magician Harry Blackstone Jr. A desktop pub-
lishing teacher at the William D. Ford Career Technical Center in Westland, he also has used his magic to capture his students' attention and as an incentive.
His dream magic camp and it's been a magic camp and it's been in found that being a respected magician was a huge boost for to provide his campers with the positive identification. "I wanted to build a solid camp that offers a great expethat would help them develop their life skills," he said. "If yourre a good communicator and a fun person, you do bet-
ter in life. People will gravitat ter in life. People will gravitate
to you because you're fun to be around."

Mutual funds need research, but they have advantages

| he stock market has improved and things look a lot better for investors than they did just a few months ago. That does not mean the financial crisis is behind us but looking at investment statements is certainly easier than it was a few months ago. <br> That said, many investors who bailed out of the stock market are now looking to jumping back in. <br> When it comes to getting back into the market, my advice is to focus on individual goals and objectives as opposed to what is happening currently in the market. <br> If you decide to re-enter the market, one of the first decisions to make is what investment vehicle is best in today's environment. Investors have a lot of alternatives - stocks, exchange traded funds, mutua funds, variable annuities and hedge funds as well as others. One thing investors should have learned from the financial crisis is the importance of understanding an investment and the risks. I believe it is best to keep things simple and understandable. When investors get involved with product they don't understand and are so complex that even the people selling them don't understand them, it's best to stay away. I believe (and I've been saying it for over two decades) the investment alternative of choice for the majority of investors should be mutual funds. <br> There is a wealth of independent information available about mutual funds. Whether using the services of a professional adviser or on your own, do the research. Even though I like mutual funds, too many are packed with outrageous fees and have sub-par performances. <br> Mutual funds are highly regulated and the regulations are geared to protect investors Certain investments such as hedge funds or private equity deals do not have regulatory oversight which can lead to problems. All mutual funds play by the same set of rules. |  |
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funds is when you decide to redeem your
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by law, close your account
and liquidate Rick Bloom to cash. Many
investors found that during this iquidate. Others who invested in such things as variable annuities discovered that they
would have to pay high fees to close out their accounts. Mutual funds provide an easy way to invest. Unlike some investments that require substantial amounts of money,
mutual funds generally have low minimums. In fact, there are some mutual funds that have no minimums as long as you establish an automatic
investment program. investment program.
Another benefit of m funds is all dividends and capital gain distributions can be reinvested. Unlike an individual stock, where a dividend
check is deposited and spent, mutual funds allow you to reinvest distributions, allowing your money to grow faster. Mutual funds are not as sexy as hedge funds or even individ-
ual stocks. However, the goal is to be successful. In selecting a mutual fund, don't just look at the top performer over the last year, look
at a fund that has had a solid long-term track record and stable management. Investors who invest in what's hot now generally find that they get
in too late. It's much better in too late. It's much better to
have a mutual fund that has a management team with a solid long-term track record. If yóu choose to get back into the market remember the
first thing we all learned about inst thing we all learned about high.
Rick Bloom is a fee:only financial adviser. Observer $\&$ Eccentric readers ters@hometownilife.com For more information, visit Rick's Web site a

## Park expansion forces SMART to move park and ride

by Leanne rogers More park seems to equal less parking at th Westland Civic Center, and some bus riders aren't With the new Play Planet at Tattan Park and plans in the works for a splash park expected to attract more
users, city officials asked SMART to move their park and ride stop from nearby parking effective Monday. "Westland built a beautiful new park. The parking
for the park is where our ride and lot parking was located. It took up too much room," said Elizabeth Dryden, SMART director ing and communications. ing anile SMART looks for another park and ride loca-
tion in Westland, riders have been directed to other the Knights of Columbus Garden City or at Target in Dearborn Heights. The Knights of Columbus lot is too small for the bus to pull in. In the morning
it stops on the south side of stops on the south side
of the road to be picked of the road to be picked Westland resident Amy SeGraves, who has been taking the bus downtown for more than
four years.."There is no four years." "There is no
light nearby to cross five lanes of traffic in the eve ning. I'm seven and a half months pregnant, I can't un across the street."
Although the Knights of Columbus would now become the last stop on the

CITY OF WESTLAND
NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION
On June 16, 2009 the Westland Police Department will codid public auction of impounded, abandoned vehicles. The auction will
begin promptly at 11:00 am at Westland Car Care, 637 Hix Hix R.,
Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will
beffer YEAR MAKE BODYSTYLE COLOR


CITY OF GARDEN CITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, June 25,2009 , at 6:30 p.m., in the
Council Charbers, at the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road,
Garden City, Michigan. At the hearing all interested persons shall Council Chambers, at the Civic Center, 6000 Middilebett Road,
Garden City, Michigan, At the hearing, all interested persons shall
have an opportunity to be heard. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to solicit public comments on
the following proposed text amendments to the zoning ordinance: 09.008, adding new Section 154.390: to establish the
Straight Farmhouse Historic district; providing permitted ses and development standards.

09-009, Sign Ordinance: to regulate signs and outdoor advertising by adding definitions, general standards prohibited signs, signs permitted without a permit, signs
permitted with a permit, obtaining a permit, nonpermitted with a permit, obtaining a per
conforming signs, and exceptions and penalties.
The proposed ordinances are available to be viewed during normal
business hours and all written comments may be submitted prior to the pubbic hearing and should be addressed to: The Officic of
Community Development City of Garden City 6000 Middebelt Community Development,
Rd., Garden City, MI 48135.

David L. Harvey
City Manager
gers couldn't just remai on the bus as it turned and get off on the south side of Ford since the bus would then be moving onto
a new route. a new route.
Planning
Planning to park at the
Target lot, which does pickups and dropoffs in the lot, SeGraves said she was ficient parking for SMART ficient parking for SMART
riders there also. There ar parking areas with signs warning the spots are only
for Target customer for Target customers.
"There are two more buses after mine and ther were not a lot of parking spaces left," said SeGraves Some of the commuters are coming from commu--
nities further west, such as Plymouth, Canton and Ypsilanti, which don't participate in SMART. That
made Westland the first community in which they. could catch a SMART bus.
Another rider, Harold Another rider, Harold
Munzenberger, moved fro Munzenberger, moved from
Westland to Ypsilanti and Westland to Ypsilanti and
has been taking the bus has been taking the bus
downtown for at least 20
". ${ }^{\text {years. }}$ The city just kicked us out, my beef is with the city. I e-mailed th mayor and all the City Munzenberger, who agreed
with SeGraves' concerns about the Knights of ${ }^{\text {a }}$ columbus parking lot. "I just kick us out. This is the only park and ride I know of that was in Westland."
Mayor William Wild Mayor William Wild
couldn't be reached for couldn't be

## NOTICETO FILL VACANCY ON THE GARDEN CITY SCHOOL BOARD

Residents interested in serving on the board must submit a letter
of intent, a resume, and a completed application questionnaire as of intent, a resume, and a completed application questionnaire as
prepared by the Board to the attention of Board President Patrick prepared ay the Board to the attention of Board President Patrich
McNally at the district's administrative offices, 1333 Radeliff
Garden City MI 48155 . Applications mut be Garden City, MI 48135. Applications must be received by $4: 00$
p.m., Friday, June 19, 2009. The Board will interview candidate p.m., Frida, June 19, 2009. The Board will interview candidate
at a special meeting on Monday, June 22, , 000 . A final decision
will will be made at the board's regular meeting of June 22 , 2009,

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POSTING DATE: 6/5/2009 djw
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Check us out on the Web every day a thometovilite.com CANTON POLICE DEPARTMENT The following vehicles have been deemed abandoned and will be
sold at public auction June 17, 2009 at 10:00 AM. The auction will sold at public auction June 17, 2009 at 10:00 AM. The auction will
be held at Westand Car Care
48185ing, 6375 Hix Rd., Westland, M 48185. The vehicles will be sold as is, starting hid is for towing and $\frac{\text { XEAR }}{1994} \frac{M}{F}$

| YEAR | MAK | MODEL | BODY | VIN\# |
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| 1994 | Ford | Tempo | 4-Dr | 1FAPP36X5RK213971 |
| 1993 | Chevy | Lumina | 4 -Dr | 2G1WN5417P1150269 |
| 1995 | Suzuki | R25 Motorcycle |  | JS1RJ16A7S210 |
| 1997 | Lincoln | Continental | 4-Dr | 1LNLM82W5VY747700 |
| 1990 | Chevy | Van | Van | $2 \mathrm{GCCG15Z5L4150053}$ |
| 1997 | Ford | Thunderbir | 2-Dr | 1 FALP62WOVH159 |
| 1971 | Honda | Motoreycle |  | CB100214815 |
| 1994 | GMC | Safari | S/W | 1GKDM19W1RB547044 |
| 1994 | Ford | Taurus |  | 1 FALP5246RG2239 |



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Council Chambers, at the Civic Center 6000 Middlebelt Road
Garden City Michican At the hearing all interested persons shal Garden City, Michigan. At the he
have an opportunity to be heard.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to solicit public-comments on
the following:
09.011, Special Land Use. H \& A Car Wash is proposing
to add an automatic car wash to the existing structure at 50 add an automatic car wash to the existing structure a 33653 Ford Road, in the C-3, General Business district
The car wash addition is an expansion to the existing Special Land Use approval

Written comments may be submitted prior to the public hearin and should be addressed to: The Office of Community Development
City of Garden City, 6000 Middlebelt Rd., Garden City, MI 48135 . David L Harvey
City Manager
Publiked. Juner 1,2009
Posted: $J$ June 5,2009


## OUR VIEWS <br> Relay walkers deserve our ample thanks

 For many years, we have taken the time to urgeresidents to show their support for the hundreds
of people who spend months fund raising and of people who spend months fund raising and
then 24 hours walking for the American Cancer then 24 hours walking
Society's Relay for Life.
The relay is a celebration of life, a huge party to recognize those who have fought the battle with cancer and won. It's also a somber remembrance of those who were not so lucky
This year, the Westland Relay for Life raised lmost $\$ 100,000$, money' that will be used to help cancer patients and help further research so many different types of cancer and each one responds to a different treatment.
We want to take this time to say thank you to the many people who have committed their time and talent to the 2009 Westland Relay for Life. It is not a easy undertaking, it required a lot of hard work and a lot of commitment. It sucks the life out of whomever it can. We hop that somewhere in the money raised this year, one lowly dollar bill will be the one that tips the scale for a cure. If not, we know that the money will be well spent in helping those who are bat
tling the disease. ling the disease.
And for the residents who have voiced displeasure in having the event in a residential area, we
understand and we hope that relay organizers will look for ways to minimize the impact the event has on the surrounding neighborhood Celebrate, have a good time, but remember, while ancer is $24 / 7$, people do like

## Target grant is boost

Especially in these troubled times, $\$ 25,000$ is a lot of money. That's the amount of a grant the Target Corp. for a media center at corps headquarters on for a media center at corps headquarters on
Venoy, south of Palmer in Westland. The media center will have a "soft opening" this June, followed by a grand opening in September. The Target money will buy 11 computers, as well as ooks and magazines.
Adults living in the surrounding Norwayne area will benefit from being able to apply for will also benefit, including those in the Salvation Army's after-school and summer day camp programs. A partnership is in the works with Michigan Works!, a state agency which help people find jobs,
There are others in the community whos expertise comes in handy in establishing a media center for the Norwayne area, and those part nerships are forming. The Westland and Wayne libraries have well-qualified staffs whose knowledge is a help in terms of acquisitions for the col It's been proven over and'over again of reading, and the ability to read well, serve people throughout life, contributing to their quality of life.
The Target Corp. deserves thanks for its willingness to invest in our community's future. The
Salvation Army officials involved are to be commavation Army officials involved are to be comproject through to fruition.

## Join the discission

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## COMMUNITY VOICE

Are you ready for the switch to digital TV?
We asked this question at the Maplewood Community Center in Garden City

"Personally, I am. I got my converter box in April. I have great reception and I have extra channels to watch." Sue Nicholas
Garden City

"Yes, I have cable and it's
all hooked up."
Bob Bennetts
Garden City

I'm as ready as I'm going to be. Now I can get rid of my old rabbit ears." Walter William

"Yes, I am. I have cable, so I'll have no problem with that." Garden Nakeczny

## LETTERS

## Thanks for support

Thank you to everyone that came out and showed their support to Taft-Galloway's first annual Keep It Safe Community
Night. The event was a huge success with Night. The event was a huge success w
more than 300 guests in attendance. Thank you to all the organizations that made our event a success Michigan Masons for providing a priceless gift to our youths and than amiles, Mayor Wild JFL Diversified Business Network, Wayne Fire Department, Wayne Police, Westland Police D.A.R.E. Program, Wayne County Sheriff Mounted Division, Michigan State Police, PKSA Karate of Westland, Youth Group, Uncle Joe's Supermarket, Kroger Supermarket, Parkside Credit Union, Romulus Athletic Center, Dr. Randy Houdek of Vision Associates, Allegra Print
8 Imagining Wayne-Westland Communt Schools' RIF Program, DJ Mystic, Taft T4 Members, Taft-Galloway teachers and staff, Westland Civitans, Tracey the Clown, Leticia Alacazar the face painter and Sue
Mason of the Westland Observer. Mason of the Westland Observer. successful without the generous support and donations from everyone. Thank you, your gift to our families were priceless!

Westland

## Hit nail on the head

In response to "Unistoppable govern-
ment" by Westland resident Phil Solarz: ment by Westland resident Phil Solarz: on the head. I couldn't agree more. Let me throw in my 2 cents worth. Obama should feel free to use my ideas for "change.

Troops home now! No excuses!

- Abolish the Electoral College. Equa time for all future candidates. Aren't we a multi-party democracy? The Democrat/ Republican thing just isnt working anymore. Popular vote should rule. Remember the lead paint and tainted pet food? Why do we continue the same business practices?
-Downsize government to half
- Mandate sweeping reforms in our criminal justice system. Don't lock up non-
violent offenders. Put them on work crews or in the military. Make them productive. - Set up two minimum wages, one for minors and one for aduts (a living wage) so
money can circulate money can circulate
best ideas until I activate a political crubest ide.
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## What do you think?

Mail comments to the Westland Observer, 615 W . layette,
as last year? Why aren't the oil companies helping bail out the automakers? One more: How can I buy a car with should help out, too.
Let's have a major tea party on the
Ambassador Bridge this Fourth of July
Mike Baranowski

## Another Jimmy Carter

Government Motors has come to be and Obama has done the tinkable. GM and Chrysler asked for a loan to get them ernment intervention and he has taken control of an American manufacturing icon. He did this by making GM give him controlling interest ( 72.5 percent in the he wouldn't import Chinese cars, gave more shares of stock to the union that supported him in the election than to the people that held stock in the company and raised CAFE standards to put further a hurt on the to make cars we don't want, more expensive and less safe.
What will these CAFE standards accomplish in terms of emission pollution? Let's take for example cargo ships, they
spew out pollution equal to that of 350,000 current model year automobiles in one hour, yet Obama's new government stan dards are attacking the auto manufactu ing industry with even higher standards water and marine life
One port visit by a single cruise ship can generate as much pollution as 12,400 cars. The emissions from all of these ships amount to just 3 percent of the total pol-
lution being spewed into our atmosphere so how much pollution are we actually reducing by raising the fuel economy on an automobile?
In 2003, Bluewaternetwork.org sued the EPA to get them to take action against istration; the standards were set too low because most of these ships ( 90 percent) are foreign-owned, so now Blue Water is out to challenge those numbers. The problem with all this is that Obama is attacking the manufacturing in this
country because as the old saving goes,
"that is where the money is" He is using
taxpayer money to take control of the auto industry, either he is ignorant to the fact
or he's playing cat-and-mouse with it and is trying to hide from the fact that the very people that are supplying the money for is takeover are the ones he's putting out of work! There are no good reasons for closing The car czar and Chrysler dealerships. The car czar panel tells us they are following the Japanese business model, which
have a lesser amount of dealerships compared to U.S. automakers. Who in their right mind would close a business that is profitable? Why would they force these dealers to close instead of letting a free
market decide which one lives and which market decide which one lives and
one dies?
Ofthe exactly zero of them have any automotive experience. Now it comes to light that the not on the basis of profitability but because most of these dealerships did not support the Democratic ticket in the 2008 election, so Obama's car panel is closing them not because of financial restructuring; but
because of politics because of politics.
When asked who
which dealerships are to be closed, the Which dealerships are to be closed, the czars who were in turn pointing right back cover-up about to blossom. Closing these cover-up about to blossom. Closing these
profitable dealerships is nothing short of stupidity. The Washington Examiner reported that Rep. Vern Buchanan, R-Fla. learned from House colleague Candice Miller, R-Mich., that his Venice, Fla., deal
ership was on the hit list. "It's was on the hit list.
going to be fine," said Buchanan, who owns a total of 23 dealerships in Florida and North Carolina. "Yourre taking over
100,000 jobs. We're supposed to be in the 100,000 jobs. We're supposed to be in the
business of creating jobs, not killing jobs" One guess would be that Obama is being led in so many different directions by so many special interest groups that he doesn't know which way to go or it could be that he
really believes the words of his 20 -year pastor, the Rev. Jeremiah Wright; and he truly believes America is a bad and criminal country.
For our sake and for the sake of our children, I hope this is not the "change" most
American's voted for. Obama will most likely take his place in history as another Jimmy Carter who spent us into oblivion. Obama is just an average man with smooth talking skills and by sticking to what the teleprompter reads and smiling, he hopes
that no one will notice the puppet strings attached at his joints.

## ONLINE VOICES \& VIEWS

- Best time to water lawn
"Watering your lawn during night hours is not recommended due to the fact that the sun is not out and cannot cause the water to evaporate in a timely
manner. Night watering may result in the water pooling, causing plants to dete riorate and making them susceptible to insect and pest infestation and disease. The best time of day to water is in the
has plenty of time to be fully absorbed by the soil." $\mathrm{http}: / / \mathrm{www}$
watering.htm


## - Take away city cars

Kudos to the mayor \& council! Services
are still good and if they are still good and if they're looking for more ways to tighten the belt. I hope the

We can't say we have to pay the best to get the best. Thousands of people looking for a good job and I'll bet a few of them are qualified for anything in our wonder-
ful city. They would come for a lot less pay ful city. They would come for
and a little bit of health care.

Uninterested

## MALLS \& MAII STREETS

If you have an item for Malls \& Main Streets, please $e$-mail Susan
Steinmueller at ssteinmueller@home townlife.com.
Make dad smile
Dad won't have to open his brood if he's wearing a custom photo tie from The Shirt Box in Farmington Hills. The store is will hold a photo session or kids, 4-7 p.m., Thursday, June 18. Children can have
their likeness permanently placed on a tie for $\$ 10$. Fotos By Design will be at the store with all the necessary equipment to create the ties on site. Ties can be created with
photos of multiple children and no appointment is neces sary. There will be plenty of white ties available, and a background for the photos set be taken of children and then adhered to the ties via a heat transfer process in which the ink from the photo becomes a itself. The Shirt Box is located at 32500 Northwestern Highway, Farmington Hills. (248) 851-6770

Inline skating
Summit Sports and the Farmington Inline Skate Club will host inline skating events 6:30 p.m.--midnight. ers will meet every Monday in June in the rear parking lot of Our Lady of Sorrows, 23815 ower Road, Farmington for $15-25$ mile skate through hilly Begin ers will meet Wednesdays, through Aug. 26 , in the public parking area on
Orchard Street (behind the Farmington Shopping Cente at Farmington and Grand River) for 4-12 miles of skating in two loops.
Inline skating demos, where skaters can test skates
before purchasing, will take lace noon-5 p.m. June 13 at place noon-5 p.m. Hermington Hills store,
the

28942 Orchard Lake Road. On July 29 and Aug. 26 , Summit
Sports will hold a skate maintenance clinic at $7: 30$ in between the loops Call (248) 737-0970.
Vegan shampoo LUSH, located at Twelve LUSH, located at Twelve
Oaks Mall in Novi, has just what your environmentallyconscious dad needs to keep his grey hair looking shiny and thick on Father's Day and ever day after. Daddyo Shampoo is condition blonde or grey hair eliminating brassy, yellow tones. Daddyo's fresh lemons will restore Dad's color and have, organic coconut oil will give it strength and seaweed's minerals will condition it. $\$ 26.75$ for 16.9 ounces. Tell
dad to go grey and be proud of it. (248) 348 -0791
Hear a good book Biscuit the Dog visits stoJune 13, at Barnes \& Noble in Northville, 17111 Haggerty. The store also offers a story session for youngsters, age 2-7 at 11 a.m., every Tuesday and
at 7 p.m., every Wednesday through the summer. (248) 348-1274
You scream, I scream We all scream for FREE ice Cream. Get a free cone or cup of Birthday Cake Ice Cream Tuesday, June 16, at Sanders in Laurel Park Place, 37700 W. Six Mile, Livonia. The give
away celebrates Morley's goth away celeb
birthday.
Kitchen workshops Plan your dream kitchen at a workshop, $7-8$ p.m., 41640 Ford Road, Canton. Then learn about kitchen installation from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Saturday, June 20. Sig up for the sessions in the to K026@memo.IKEA.com. (734) 981-6300.



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## Get fit in exercising in local bootcamp

It's Bootcamp Baby! is registering students for June classes in Farmington.
The outdoor fitness classes re held outdoors and are unlike the typical workout at
the gym. Campe
unusual drills and exercises unusual drills and exercises Baby!, , all under the eye of the camp"s experienced and cert war, pushups with canteens, war, pushups with canteens,
and occasionally pulling a Hummer uphill are just some of the planned activities. In ing jacks, wind sprints, lunges and more, with the threat of pushups always in the air for anybody who displeases one of the sergeants.
"It is bootca
says owner and Head Drill
says owner and Head Dril
Classes last an hour. They'll Tun from 9:30-10:30 a.m., Drake Park, 23300 Drake. Class sizes will be relatively small. The first class is free to anybody whos never worked out with an It's Bootcamp
Baby! drill sergeant before. "I wanted to keep the class sizes small, " says Loredo. That allows us to give campers an experience that is similar
to personal training, but for a price that's a lot less." Prices start at around $\$ 15$ per class. A nutritional coach is also available with various programs from diet reviews to
cooking classes to a guided trip through the grocery store. Visit the It's Bootcamp Baby Web site at www.itsbootcampbaby.com for details on what to bring to class, for bio signup forms.
Weekend fitness and military bootcamps are also offered. It's Bootcamp Baby! is the brainchild of personal traine Loredo.

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sonehometownlife.com. They also son@ @ometownlife.com. They also
cañ be mailed to Sue Mason at 615 W . Lafayette - Second Level, Detroit, MI 48226, or faxed to her attention at fax at (313) 223-33182. For more information, call (313) 222-6751.

## UPCOMING EyE

 Academic PathwaysAcadmic Pathways Cooperative Preschool, at 30330 Schoolcraft, Livonia, will host open houses 10 a.m.
to noon Tuesday July 14.6 .8 m . to noon Tuesday, July $14,6.68 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
Thursday Aug. 20 and Thursday, Sept. 3. The preschool has a three-year-0id program that runs $9: 30-11: 3$ a.m. Tuesday and Thursday and a
four-vear-old program that runs four-vear-old program that runs
$9: 3011: 30 \mathrm{a}$.. Monday Wednestay and Friday. Potty training is not required. Low cost tuition available. For more information, visit the Web
site at wwwacademicalther site at www.academicpathwayspre-
schoo com or call ( 734 ) 261-9540. Garden walk
The Wayne Garden Club Garden Waik will be held on Saturday, June 27. from $9: 30$ a.m. -2 p.m. . rain or shine.
Start at Goudy Park Gardens (behind Start at Gouyy Park Gardens (benhind
Wayne City Hallil 3355 s . Wayne Road. For Information contact Lymn at (734) $721-1232$ or Mary Anne at (734)
728-8884. 728-2884.
Be a 5 tar
Be a a star
The Westland Stars Cheerleading
The Westland Stars Cheerleading
and Dance Team will begin their summer program. Children ages 10 14 or in the fifth-eighth-grade from Westland and the surrounding area can join the team for its first sum-
mer practice $5-8: 30$ p.m. Thursday June 18 , in the multipurpose room.
. 6.8 .3 p... of the Westland Bailey Center in the Westland civic center complex on Ford west of Wayne Road. Dress to work out and bring a water bottle.
This summer the team will work on its dances and cheers and will attend camp. For more information call the Bailey Center at (73
3 -Day fund-raiser
${ }^{\text {3-Day fund-raiser }}$ A Breast Cancer 3-Day spaghetti dinner benefiting Sssan G G Kömen for the Cure will be held $5-8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Friday, June 19, at the CrossPointe Conmunity Church, formerly First
Baptist of Wayne, 36125 Gienwood east of Newburgh, Wayne. Minimum donation is $\$ 7$ for adults and $\$ 4$ children age 10 and under. The dinner includes spaghetti, salad, beverages and dessert. Breast Cancer jewery.
mugs and Wendy's discount books. also will be for sale. For more information, call (734) 564-6437. Class reunion
Garden City
Hit
Garden City High School Class of
-1989 will hold its 200 th renn to midnight Aug. 29 at Joy Manor.
in Westland. Tickets are $\$ 75$ now through June 1.Tickets inciudes,
dimer, premium dinner, premium open bar, DJ, door
prizes, picture CD and other gifts. prizes, picture $C D$ and other gifts.
Tickets are availabbe for purchase at www.gardencity $99 . c o m$ or by contacting Paula at gchsil989reunione hotmail.com.
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County is seeking volunteer driv-
ers. A nonprofit community service croup, it provides door-to-door rides to non-emergency medical and other necessary appointments for senior
and disabled residents of Garden City, Livonia and Westand who are unable to drive and have no alternative transportation. Volunters can specify days, times, and areas
they're willing to drive For addition theyremation, call ( 888 ) $660-2007$ and
inf leave a message.
Higher Roch Cafe
The Wayne-Westland Salvation Army presents the Higher Rock Cafe the second and fourth fridays sef he
month at its south of Palmer, Westland, Doors open at 7.30 p ..m. Live bands perform
beginning at 8 . . Admissio is fre beginning at 8 p.m. Admission is free,
however, atree will offering will be however, atree will fffering will be
taken to support the bands. Check out higher Rock on the Web at www. tsa.higherrockcafe.4t.com or call.
$(7344)$ 722-3660

VOLUTEEERS
First Step
First Step, which has been active in the effort to end domestic violence and sexual assault in western Wayne
County and Sownriver communities County and Downriver communities.
for more than 20 years, is looking for volunteers. Interested people must be at least 18 , willing and able to travel to the Downiver area and complete a 55 -hour training proDrivers
Volunteer drivers are needed to transport area residents to meetings of the Western Wiayne Parkinson's
Disease Support Group The meetDisease Support Group. The mee
ings take place $7-9$.m. on the second Thurssday of the month in the Livonia Senior Center, Farmington Road south of Five Mile. Drivers may
be offered a stipend Parkinson's be oftered a stipend. Parkinson's
patients, careqivers and others may patents, caregivers and oathers may
attend the meetings. Call (734) 4590216 or (734) 421-4208. VNA Hospice
Visiting Nurse Association of
Southeast Wichian's Southeast Michigan's (VNA) hospice
program needs volunteers to comprogram needs voiunteers to com-
fort and support patients at the end of life. Volunters can provide companionship, write a memoir, provide -
respite for family or work as office respite for family or work as office support. A free 18 -hour training pro-
gram is provided at the VNA head-


Wish you were here
Joy Bunker of Westland poses with her Westland Observer at the Tapkapi Palace and Museum in Istanbul, Turkey, during a 12 -day Mediterranean cruise. The trip started in Vienna, Austria, and include stops at Mykonos, Greece, Ephesus, Turkey, Istanbul, Naples, Rome and Florence, Italy, and Monaco before ending in Barcelona, Spain. According to Bunker, the palace was home
to the sultans for four centuries: Its treasury room was filled "with many to the sultans for four centuries. Its treasury room was filled "with many
beautiful items," including an emerald encrusted throne and the world's fifth largest diamond. If you go on vacation, be sure to take a picture with your Observer and send it to Sue Mason, 615 W. Lafayette, Second Level, Detroit, M1 48226. Be sure to include your name and information about your photo.
quiurters, 25900 Greenfield Road, Suite 600 . Repistration is required.
(248) $967-8361$ lo visit www.vna.org. Seasons Hospice
Seasons Hospice and Palliative Care is looking for volunteers to provide companionship to patients dealing
with life limiting illness. No special skills, other than objectivity and compassion, are needed. Training. provided. Volunteers are matched with patients in their own commu-
nity. For more information please call Ruth at (800) $370-8592$.
Literacy Council
The Community Literacy Council (CLC) is looking for volunteer tutors
in Western. Wayne County to helo adults improve their reading, writing and communication skills. The CLC will rovide training to interested volunteers. Previous experience or a bachelor's degree is not required.
The council will provide free training
and materials, and then match you with an adult student in your area.
Call (734) $416-4906$ for more information.
Heartland Hospice
Heartland Hospice is looking for caring and dedicicated pooppie
with an interest in sevving terminally ill patients and their families in Wasitenaw, western Wayne, Monrooe
and livingston counties. Vouture and Livingston counties. Volunteers
provide a variety of services includprovide a variety of services includ-
ing companionship, light housekeeping, errand running, grief support and clerical services. For more information, contact volunteer coordina-

## ORGANIZations

The Friends of Eloise meets at 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month . (except July, August and December)

Historic Village Park, on Wayne Road between Marquette and Cherry Hill. For information, call Jo Johnson Writing Group Story Circle Women's Life Writing $G$ roup meets at 7 p.m. the second Wednesday of every month at the Wayne Public Library, 3737 S. Wayne
Road, Wayne. The Story Circle Network is made up of women who want to explore their lives and souls through ilfe-writing, writing that focuses on personal experience through memoirs nals and personal essays. Particiopants should bring a notebook or laptop computer to each meeting to spend some time writing, and for those who are confortable doing so, sharing
their writing. Membership in Story their writing. Membership in Story
Circle's National Network is optional. Partic ipation in the group is free.Fo more information about story circle, go online to www.storycircle.org or
send an e-mai to sherryyahoo.co send an e-mail to shepry@yahoo.co TOPS (T of Westand meets at 7 p.m. Monday t Good Shepherd Reformed Church 6500 N: Wayne Road, at Hunter,
Westand. For more information, cal Pat Strong at (734) 326--3539 or Mary Lowe at (734) 729-687. emocratic Club The Garden City Democratic club
meets at 7 pm the forth meets at 7 p.n. .the fourth hursaay of the month (September through
June) in Room 5 of the Maplewood Center, Maplewood west of Merriman. For more information, call Billy Pate at $(73444$ 427-2344.
citizens for Peace
itizens for Peace
Citizens for Peace meets at 7 0.m. the second Tuesday of each month at Unity of Livonia Church on Five Mile, between Middilibelt and inkster The group is dedicated to working
for creation of $a$ U. Department of Peace. All are welcome. Colleen Mills. Peace. Al are welc
(734) 425-0079.
in Harmony
The Wayne Chapter of the
Barbershop Harmony Society meets.
at $7: 30$ p.m. Tuesdays at Kiry of our Savior Presbyyterian Church, 36660 Cherry Hill, west of Wayne Road, Westland. Gentiemen interested in the chapter's Renaissscnce Chorus or
who enioy quartetting can call memWho enjoy quartetting can call mem-421-1652, or attend a rehearsal. teran's Haven
Veteran's Haven operates a car, boat, camper and real estate-donation, program. Donations are tax-deduct0527. Food is distributed to veterans once a month throughout the month and there is a supplemental food
program 9 a.m. to noon Wednesdays. program 9 a.m. to noon Wednesdays.
The veteran Haven's outreach. Center

4924 S. Wayne Road two blocks south of Annapolis in Wayne. Any honorably discharged Veteran that is in need or
homeiess and wants a tetter homeiess and wants a better quality
of fife can call (734) $728-0527$. Silver Strings Dulcimer Musicians and listeners are welcome to stop by and visita a traditional
music jam $7-9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. the first and third musicic jam 7.9 p .m. the first and third
Thursday of the month at Good Hope Lutheran Church, 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City, Acoustic instruments include hammered and mountain dulcimer, suitar, banjo, fiddile, harmon-
ica, concertina a autohar, recorder ica, concertina, autoharp, recorder,
pennywhiste, ukulefe and uoright bass Call ( (734) 482-2902 or check out the Web site athttp://geocities: com/sscsociety. Tunchat 12:15 p.m. Thursclay at manatea Restaurant, 32777 Warren Road, Garden City. Kiwanis is a global organization of volunters sededicated to bettering the
world one child and one community at world one child and one community at beris are a wayy welcome. Garden City Rotary The Garden City Rotary Club
meets at 12 noon Thurscay meets at 12 noon Thursday at
Amantea Restaurant, 32777 Warren. Amantea Restaurant, 32777 Warren.
Community service planning, Iunch and socializing are enjoyed. Please join us there.
Habitat help
The Western Wayne affiliate of Habitat for Humanity is seeking vol-
unters to heip with building homes. office duties and fund-raising. No experience necessary. Training will
(e provided. For information, call
(734) 459-7744. Hospital retires
The Oakwood-Annapolis Retirees meet at 1 p.m. the first Monday of the month at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center, Venoy at How in
Wayne. All Iakwood Retiteses re wet come to attend.

## Radio Club

The Garden City Amateur Radio Club meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday.
of the month at the Maplewood of the munth at the Maplewood
Community Center, Maplewood west of Merriman. The club is open to people who ore interested in tram radio. Call Ben (W8AAA) at (734) 425-2629. Garden City Lions The Garden City Lions meet at 7 pm .
the first and third Tuestay of the irst and thir fuessay. Of every
month at the Mapiewood Community Center, Maplewood west of Merimiman. Call Dave Fetter at (734) 425-4382. Garden Club
The Garden City
The Garden City Garden Club meets at 7
p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month at the Maplewood Center. Everyone may attend to hear guest speakers on a variety of gardening topicis and
plan events around the city Cal Della plan events around the city. Call Dellid
Haydon at (734) 427 -9410.


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SIDELINES

| obsERVER STAFF WRTIER <br> Livonia Ladywood girls softball coach Scott Combs appropriately chewed on a Rice Krispie treat following Tuesday's 3-2 Division 2 state quarterfinal victory ove Richmond. <br> "I used to work for <br> Kellogg's," Combs said. "I'm |
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and still lives there. He's been calling me every single minut to see how were doing." The second-year coach and his $37-6$ Blazers are doing jus fine and just two wins away<br>Ladywood will make its fir state semifinal appearance in school history beginning at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Battle Creek's Bailey Park to face Williamston (34-7-1), which advanced with a $10-3$ quarte final victory over host Carleton Airport.

Freshman pitcher Briana Combs helped preserve the
quarterfinal win at Novi whe quarterfinal sin retired Kristen Skoryanc on a pop-out to the mound
with the tying run on thir with the tying run on third
base. Combs held the Blue Devils (23-9) to only two hits while striking out six and walking only one.
"Shes only walked 12 all season in 40 games," said Scott $\overline{\text { Please see BLAZERS, B4 }}$


Bucks fall, 3-1
Luke Norman, a former Michigan Buck, scored Kalamazoo Outage earned a Premier Development
Soccer League victory over the Bucks at Loy Norrix High School. Tom Oatley also scored for the Outage, who move the
first place all alone in the PDL's Great Lakes Division with a $5-0-2$ record (17 points). Dave Hertel tallied the lone goal in the second half for the Bucks,
(13 points).
Just two days earlier, the. Bucks moved into first place in the Great Lakes following 2-1 win over the Indiana
Invaders at the Ultimate Soccer Arenas in Pontiac. Hertel and Piotr Nowak scored for the Bucks with assists going to Sebe Harris
and Kenny Uzoigwe and Kenny Uzoigwe. at $7: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Saturday, June 13 , to host the Cleveland Internationals ( $(1-4-1)$ a Ultimate Soccer Arenas. match are $\$ 10$ (adults), $\$ 6$ (youth under-16). Children 5 and under will be admitted free. For more information, Soccer signup The Wayne Westland Soccer League will hold
tryouts for both tryouts for both its boys and girls select teams (ages
under-9 through under-19), along with its under- 13 boys and girls premier teams beginning Monday, June 15 Signup is also under way
for fall recreation teams 6-and-up.
Wayne-Westland United is a competitive club that offers team-oriented train
ing and individual player development. Coaches are licensed.
For more information,
call $(734) 467-560$ call (734) $467-5260$ or visit
www.eteamz.com/wwsl. Youth triathlon The City of Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation will stage its
sixth annual youth triathSixth annual youth. 15, at
lon Saturday, Aug. Clements Circle Park. Age groups offered included
8 -and-under $9-10,11-12$ and 8-and--under, $9-10,11112$ and 13-14. The triathlon is open
to Livonia residents or those living in the Livonia Public Schools boundary area. Early registration (\$10
fee) begins Monday, June 15, fee) begins Monday, June 15,
at the Livonia Community at the Livonia Communa at 15100 Hubbard (at Five Mile).
Each participant will receive a T-shirt.
The 8 -and-under division features at half-mile bike, quarter-mile run and 25 yard swim; 9-10-1-mile bike, half-mile run and $50-$
yard swim $11-12-1.5$-mile yard swim; 1 -1
bike, half-mile bike and $100-$ yard swim; and 13-14-2mile bike, three-quarter mile
run and 150 -yard swim run and 150 -yard swim.
For more information, call For more inform
Hickory Creek golf fun There's plenty of golf activities going on a Hickory
Creek Golf Course, located at 3625 Napier Road (at Ford Road), in Ypsilanti. From 6-7:30 p.m. each Monday during June and July is Ladies Night Out,
which includes golf instru tion and Margaretas. From 9 a.m. until noon Thesdays features numerous youth golf programs (ages Weekends in June an July offers three hours of instruction; lunch and golf. There will also be a fish fry all season long from 5-9
p.m. each Friday $(\$ 7.95$ per person).
Call PGA pro Tami Bealert
at (734) at (734) 731-0238; or visit

> The next batter, Staci Stadler, then attempted popped up near the plate as hard charging third baseman Nicole Emery, in a collision with catcher Brittany Taylor, jarred the ballloo After a wild pitch moved both Monroe runners up, Sanborn walked Alia Brodie to load the bases. to short. Briauna Taylor came home with the throw to the plate to her twin sis-
but it appeared Brittany
clipped Whitmarsh in clipped Whitmarsh in the
helmet with the tag. The home plate umpire saw oth erwise and called her safe as the Trojans evened the "ount at $2-2$. . . looked like she (Brittany Taylor) touched her (Whitmarsh) in the head and I asked the home plate umpire to call for help
to see if the base umpire to see if the base umpire
had seen the tag," Jimenez said. "She (Briauna) did throw it high and they (Monroe) reached on
error to start with."

Sanborn then walked Amber Rafko to force in the go-ahead to make it.
3-2. Sydney Smith followed with a double to the base
of the center field fence to push the Monroe lead to 4 2. (Franklin, however, got
out of the inning by getting out of the inning by gettuseal
both runners on an unusual 8-6-2-6 double play.) Trd like to think we
forced those mistakes by being aggressive," Monroe
coach Vince Rossi said. "But that (double play) could have been the turning point when our runner did not score from second base.
She waited for some reason She waited for some reaso
She should have scored, and all I could think about if they came back and beat us because they have a nice
ballclub and those twins ballclub and those twins
(the Taylors) are amazing. (the Taylors) are amazing.
Pilon, who has been fight ing a sore quad muscle, retired 12 of the final 13 batters she faced while
allowing just a one-out, allowing just a one-out
fifth-inning single to Brittany Taylor.
The Monroe senior right-
hander scattered five hits hander scattered five hits,
struck out nine and did struck out nine and did
not allow a walk in seven $\underset{\text { innings. }}{ }$
${ }_{\text {"Their }}{ }^{\text {attcher (Emily }}$ Pilon) got the lead and ran
with it", Jimenez said "She with it," Jimenez said. "She
threw faster. threw aster. And they (Monroe) had a good defensive team and we
were hitting the ball on the were hitting the ball on the
ground." ground. Meanwhile, Sanborn suffered only her third loss in 32 decisions. The senior
right-hander, slowed late right-hander, slowed late in the season with a sore ankle, gave up five hits,
walked three and struck out four.: had her ice the ankle I gave her two days off, but maybe she (Sanborn) ran out of gas," Jimenez sad. "I
pitched her a lot this year - maybe it's my fault."

Tourney exit: Warriors fall in D4 region

## BY JIM TOTH

Austin Baglow's timing couldn't have been any worse. The star right-hander in the Lutheran High Westland pitching
rotation, who entered Saturday's Division 4 regional semifinal against Southfield Christian sport ing a 7 -0 ledger, was uncharac teristically roughed up early and
often as the Eagles scored six times in the opening inning and went on to post a $6-3$ triumph over the Warriors at Grosse Pointe Wood University-Liggett.
The loss quickly put an end to outstanding season of play for coach Kevin Wade's squad. It was PREP BASEBALL advanced all
the way to the Division 4 title game before losing 2-I to Bay City All Saints. "Austin just didn't have it," said
Wade after seeing his team finish the season 19-4 overall. "He hadn't lost all year. In fact, he's been outstanding with that $7-0$ record and ERA under 2.00. Sometimes your due for a bad outing, but you just
hope it's not in a regional game." hope it's not in a regional game.
Baglow, a junior, failed to record an out and yielded three home runs before being lifted for relieve Micah Hausch in that troubling
first inning. Hausch doused any first inning. Hausch doused and
further damage in the frame and managed to be quite effective the rest of the way by allowing only two The Warriors were held scor The Warriors were held scoreless
until the fifth when Eric Shoats, who had two hits on the day, sin gled and came around to score later on a Southfield Christian ground out off the bat of Kent Krzyske.
Wade's crew managed to pick up two more runs in the sixth on RBI singles by Baglow and Shoats. "We had some nice hits early in the game, but we couldn't put
anything together and then we just anything together and then we just
ran out of time," Wade said. "We had a great season overall, but we just didn't get it done today: When you're 19-4 you got nothing to be
ashamed about"

# Observerland's best prove heads of state 

 praised Baltazar as his "most valuable field eventat athlete", capturing city, conference, division and
MITCA team championships in the shot for his efforts. Baltazar also was unde
dual meets in the shot.
T.J. Arancibia, 5 . West 1.J. Arancibia, Sr., Westland
Glenn (discsus): The senior, headed Whayne State on a football
cholarship, captured the KL.A scholarship, captured the KLAA
Kensington Conference champio Ship with a throw of 146-6.
Arancibia also earned a trip to the pp finish at the Canton regional. He was also second in the KLAA South Division meet.
TTJ. overan on challengest to finish early sea- season meet with a new record for first-time meet," "Glenn coach Jess Shough
said. ${ }^{\text {HHe finished fourth in last }}$ eear's regional just missing the qualseason to qualify for this years state finals and he did. and will be truly missed."
Jamie Stewart, Sr, Liv. Clarenceville (high jump): The All-State basketball player set a Clarenceville school fecorr with a
leapp of 67 and tied for fifth in the
Division 3 state finals with a leap Divion state finals with a leap
S-3.
Stewart was Stewart was MITCA and Metr
Conference champion, as well as runner-up in the Metro Conference.
He also took a second in the 400 and hird in the long jumip in the Metro.
Stewart went a season-best 51.64 en route to a fourth in the 400 at the Stevenson (liong jump): The senior enjoyed a productive season capped
by an eighth-place finish in the long jump $(21-11.75)$ at the state
Simor also was regional Simor also was regional,
Kensington Conference and KLAA Central Division champion.
"Dave had a good season after pulling his hamstring last year in he first meet while long jumping as a junior,' Stevenson coach Scott
Shaw said. "Dave is a hard working young man and has worked very
hard on his technique in the long ump. Has gotten much more con In almost every meet he was over 21
feet.' ${ }^{\text {Derikik Peterman, Sr., Liv. Churchill }}$
(pale vautt:) The senion (pole vault): The senior captain
broke the school record with a va broke the schoo record witin vauut
of $15-8$ and was the Division 1 state runner-up. Peterman, headed to Michigan
tate, was also the Mansfield (Ohio) Relays, regional and KLAA South Rivision champion. In the 110 hurdes, Peterman took
unner-up in the regional to qualify for the state finals.
"Derik is one of the finest track and field athletes to come out of our
program and weve had some good ones," "Cuurchill coach Rick Austin said. "His $15-8$ was one of the top vaults in the Mirwwest this year.
aderik worked hard on his hurdle technique this season running 14.8 points for our team. Derik is an out with a 3.96 (grade-point average) ta team. As a captain Derik led byVanier Joseph, Sr., Red. Thurston vent since his freshman year vent since his freshman year,
Joseph culminated a stellar fouryear varsity career by racing past
the fied a at the Division state meet hampion in the 110 hurdles. His winning time was 14.35. At regioning 13.99, which proved to be a new ${ }^{\text {"He }}$ just loves and lives the sport, Thurston coach LaMar Miller said.
If I had five Vanier Josephs, I wouldn't need anybody else on the team. Hes' a fine young man and tate his junior year and just missed state his junior year and just missed
out by finishing fifth in the semifinals. H t worked hard and really
wanted to come back this year and show people what he could do."


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Renaldo Powell, Sr., Wayne (300 Renaluo Powell, Sr., Wayne ( 300
hurdies): The senior, who has signed
with Central Michisn enjoyeda banuer season winning
the Division 1 state title in the 110 hurdles (14.13) and finishing third the 300 hurdes (33.73. .h Midwest Meet of Champions to represent
Michigan this Saturday at Jackson's Withington Stadium. Renaldo led by example, he kept and he did a great job of fercuit-
ing", Wayne coach Lee rizell ing," Wayne coach Lee Grizzell said
"He performed so well this year because he has an excellent work ethic. Renaldo in such a a good hurrder
because he has really powerful legs because he has really powerful legs
and
Nis techniquei s sery goo.". and hist technique is very good,"
Stech Anagnostou, Sr., Liv.
Stevenson (100 dast). In Stevenson (100 dash): In only his
second season of track; Anagnostou posted an area-best 10.7 in the 100 . He was the last Western Lakes
Activites Assocition Activities Association and the first
KLAA Kensington Conference chanyion in the 100 . Anagnostou also captured the KLAA Central Division title and finished fourth at
Observerland "Nick is a good
ple," Shaw said. "He works hard at practice most every day. He's a very
strong finisher in the 100.1 wish we strong finisher in the 100.1 wish we
had the opportunity had the opportunity
Parish Clayborn, Sr., Wayne (200)
The senior, who posted the areas The senior, who posted the areas
top.time 22.2 ) in the 200 , was run-ner-up in the KLAA South Division
meet. Clayborn also placed fifth in
Observerland in the 100 and had th area's second best time in that event
(10.8).
"Parish did a great job for us
this year", Grizell said. "He com peted in the 100, 200, long jump
and anchored both speed relays and anchored both speed relays.
Throughout the entire year, Parish never gave up a lead in any of the relays he ran in."
Darius Davis, S r Darius Davis, Sr., Harrison (400): 1suis tinished third in the Division
1 state meet with a time of 49.7 sec onds. He also was third last year in
Division 2. Davis had the arears best Division 2. Davis had the areas best
time at 49.4. He was a member of
 Scott Coppo
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inique Williams
three Harrison relays that placed among the top three in the earea. lege, too, for either a GLIAC or Texa lege, too, for either a GLIAC or Texas
school. "We're very, very proud of Darius
getting third in the state", coach
 lent performer all four years. He's
been very focused on being a great been very focused on being a great
runner and he's done it. He's going to runner and he's done it. He's ging to
bea aig goss to the program, because be a big loss to the program, because
he's been running in the state meet
since his freshman year since his freshman year."
Warren Buzzard, Jr, Plymouth (B00): Buzzard sparkled all season, highlighted by his second-place
finish in the 800 rum (1-p Ginish in the 800 rum (1:58.37) at
the Canton-hosted D1 regional. He Canton-hosted DI regional.
He exceeded his time at the subse-
quent state meet ( $1: 57.58$, althoug quent state meet (1:57.58), although
that only netted him eighth place. Buzzard's personal best for the year
was $1: 57.2$. Meanwhile, at the prestigious
Observerland Relays, he took third Observerland Relays, he tok third
in the open 1,600 with a time of ${ }^{4: 32.2 .2}$ "He could run forever, he had so much in the tank he made every-
thing look effortless," said Wildcats' coach Kurt Brituel." "And he made better."
Elmar Engholm, Sr, Plymouth ( 1,600 ): The senior exchange student from Sweden nipked up wherere he left
off last fall a a an All-Observer cross off last fall as an All-Observer cross
country selection, again demonstrat-
ing athleticicim and determination to bea sparkppusu for Plymouth'strack
and field squad. and field squad.
But a hamstring injury curtailed
what could have been a brilliant weason, which did feature a best of 4:20.0.
"He set record in cross country in was going to break every mid-dis-,
tance and distance event we have,
Britnell said.

Matt Devey, ST., Salem (3,200): regional at Canton with an impressive time of $9: 43.39$, which represented quite an improvement from
the 11:40 he ran as a freshman Then in the state meet at East
Kentwood, Then in the state meet at East
Kentwood, Devey ran it even quicker


Elmar Engho
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(9:40.16), good for 13th place. Devey's work ethice,yer empherhasized for shaving off that kind of time as
well as going from $5: 29$ in ninth well as going from $5: 29$ in ninth,
grade in the 1,600 run at MITCA to
$4: 28$ at team states this 4:28 at team stateses this spring.
"He is the definition of hard worl paying off,", said Meteyer about
Devey, also the cross country Devey, also the cross country captain
at Salem. Devey plans on running cross at Wayne State University. HRST-TEAM RELAYS
400, Churchill (Anthony Frezell Jr.; Scott Coppola, Jr;; Travis Tomey, tet placed fifth in the Division 1 state finalls (school retord 42.82 ) after fin-
ishing runner-up in the eregional ishing rumner-up in the regional.
Frezzell, a three-sport athlete,
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Easterling plans to run track at
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plans to enrol academy.
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Relays 400 relay champion for the first time in inchayol history for the
with Kensington Conference and with Kensington Conference and
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"This fearsome foursome carried
our team all season in the speed our team all season in the speed
relays and open events," Austin said. "They are one of the hartest working groups I've had a Churchill led by
captain Shane Henson. Each took captain Shane Henson. Lach took
pride in the way that they ran each pride in the way that they ran each
leg of our two speed relays. I could
always count on these forr always count on these four gentle-
men to perform at their best." men to perform at their best."
800, Stevenson
SDavid Simor, Sr.i Jacob Gudeman, Sr:; Nate Seropison,
Sr.; Nick Anagan Sr.; Nick Anaganostou, Sr.): This
quartet took first at Observerland quartet took first at Ot Oserverland
breaking the school record with a time of $1: 128.28$.
They also finis
They also finished third in the Division 1 state finals s $(1: 29.63)$ afte
winning the regional, conference and divisional crowns. "This was a good group to work to perform well throughout the sea son and make a good showing at the
state meet, which $I$ think state meet, which I think we acco
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## Twin killing: Bulls run over Rams in LCBL action

These Michigan Bulls proved to be
every bit as bullish as the ones from every bit as bullish as the ones from
Pamplona, Spain when they swept a Pamplona, Spain when they swept a
Livonia Collegiate Baseball League double-header Saturday from the Michigan Rams at Ford Field. The 22 -and-under Bulls improved to 4-1 in the LCBL with a sweep by scores of 4-1 and 9-7. the sixth inning proved to be the difference in the opener. Winning pitcher Tim Simpson
went the first six innings, allowwent the first six innings, allow-
ing one runs on five hits and four walks. He struck out four before Russ Luxton came on in the seventh to earn the save.
Losing pitcher Brady Cooper went 5.2 innings, allowing one earned
run on three hits and five walks. run on three hits and five walks.
struck out six.
Nick Plinka went 2 -for- 3 with an

RBI in the setback for the Rams. for only eight hits in the opener th for only eight hits in the opener, the
nightcap featured a total of 23 hits. Tim Ryan and C.J. Maszal each went 3 -for-4 tó pace a 14 -hit attack for the Bulls, who rallied from a $6-2$ deficit with five runs on the fifth and two more in the sixth and knocked in four runs, while and knocked in four runs, while
Andre Harris had two hits and two RBI for the Bulls. Justin Forster went 3-for-4 with added three hits, two RBI and scored twice for the Rams.
Jason Hansen, who pitched one inning of scoreless relief despite giving up a pair of walks and one hit, earned the victory. relief of starter Tom Whiting, who
worked the first 4.2 innings allowing
seven runs on 11 hits as the Rams fell
to $3-3.3$.
Buykurs 6 noms 2 Starter Trevor Borsak pitched six strong innings and newcomer Mat Czajkowski contributed an RBI and
 he Detroit Eagles (1-3) (1-3) Monday Finght Fied.
Borsak allowed Borsak allowed just one hit, walked six and struck out four before giving way to Tim Shafto.
Tony Pounders also collected two RBI for the Blue Knights.
Ra4s 6 , pulls $5:$ Dan
Daugustine's long single or right center field drove in the game-winning run in the bottom of the seventh to
jive the Michigan Rams ( $3-1$ a a one-run give the Midchigan Rams (3-1) a one-run tri-
mph Friday nighto over the Michigan Bulls (3-1) in a game prayed at Ford Field.
Justin Forster $(2-$ for-4 4 started the rally
 single by Joke Rhodes (3) -for-4, RBD un and a
walk to Alex Troin to load the bases. walk to Alex Trojan to load the bases.
Brett Mazmanian doubled twice and


Vesey and Ryan Abraham also knocked in
runs. runs.
Reliever James Bertakis, who struck out three and allowed just one hit in two
innings, got the victory. Middle reliever innings, got the victory. Middle relieve Ma his three innings of work. Starter Taylor Robson gave up four runs in two innings.
Jon Berti and Tim Ryan each collected
twohits for the two hits for the Bulls (2-1). Matt McNied
had two RBI, while Andre Harris and Jeff Buttnick each hadded an RBI.
Gordon Powers, who gave up the game-
winning hit, was the losing pitcher Stareter wiming hit, was the losing pitcher. Starter Corey Rademacher gave up five runs in 4.1
innings before giving way to Russ Luxton, who not allow a rung in 2 y t innings. Lux.
 twinbill Saturday at Ford Field, the Blue
Knights $(4-3)$ and Concealed Security $(1-4)$ Knights (4-3) and
settled for a split
The
The Blue Knights earned a $4-2$ victory as
winning pitcher Tyler Spickler threw a com-
In the sixth, Max Weberman triple to
ght field scoring Blaine Paden. Dustin

Hall then singled to center to score
Weberman to break the 2 2all deadlock. Weberman to break the 2 -all deadlock,
Ryan Bourcier collected two hits and two RBy, while Weberman added two hits and In the nightcap, Casey Haggerty threw five scoreless innings, allowing just two
hits in a 3 - Concealed trium hits in a 3 -0 Conceeled t triumph. Hagserty
struck out four and did not allow walk. struck out four and did not allow a walk.
Tyler Cotter paced the offensive attack Iyer Cotter paced the offensive attack
going 3-for-4 with two runs scored.
Losing pither Will Tidell Losing pitcher Will Tidwell gave up three
runs on six hits and two walks in six innings of work But EMchrr 4, Concealen 2 : On Friday, Ryan Bute Mibhrr 4, Conceale 2 : On Friday Ryan
Bourcier went 2 -for 3 with a double and Bourcier went 2 -or- 3 with a double and
three RBI as the Blue Knights ( $3-2$ ) turned three RBI as the Blue Knights (3-2) turned
back Concealed Security in a game played a Ford Field.
$\underset{\text { Persichino and }}{ }$ Bourciers two double scoring Frank Concealed lead in the fifth inning Bourcier Concealed lead in the fifth inning. Bourcies
also had an RBI single in the first. also had an RBI single in the first.
Matt Mahalak pitched three innin allowing no runs pon one hit and twno walks to pick up the victory. Dustin Hill came on
to get the save

## Tee Time ©

## What you need to know before you tee off at your charity outing




#### Abstract

you are not sure, it is alway the course and double check "Particularly if your event is at a private course you want to make sure you are in accordance with the dress. code," Stevens said. Once you are out on the course playing, it is time to relax and have fiun playing, it is time to relax and have fun. enjoying a day, on the the lisks about you enyone in your foussome your foursome should have the sia opportunity to enjoy the event. opportunity to enjoy the event. that I now regret," Hershey said. "Once I was so wrapped up in the competition that 1 drove past the women's tee not thinking about the women in the group. Another time I hit a ball close to a hole that had the prizz for closest to the pin. The prize was two Lions tickets and The prize was two Lions tickets and I started cracking jokes like 'What is the started cracking jokes like 'What is the second place prize - four tickets?' Quietly Quietly someonc in the foursome told me the Lions tickets had been donated me the Lions tickets had been donated by another person in our foursome."


Hershey is much more outing-savyy
now and would never make such a pas. In fact, now when he plays in a charity event, the actual competition is the very last thing on his mind It is all
about funn now because if people pay in about fun now because if people play in
a charity outing and have a great time a charity outing and have a great time,
they are likely to come back again the next year. In the long run, that raises
more money for a good cause which is more money for a goodc cause which is
the point of these events. the point of these events. are very nice but I have not been to a are very nice but I have not been to a
work or charity outing where I couldn't
afford to buy th afford to buy the prize if I wanted to,"
Hershey said "Make it bout the Hershey said. "Make it about the peop
you play with and they will remember you foy that much more positively than
they will for how you play" they will for how you play.

Susan Smiley is the Golf Association
of Michigan's Manager of Merber of Michigan's Manager of Me
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time. It should be an enjoyable day so
keep the pace of play at a good level." keep the pace of play at a good level."
Driscoll, who estimates the time it takes to complete a round of golf at a takes to complete a round of golf at a
typical outing is anywhere from five to six hours, suggests limiting the number of strokes golfers can take on a hole
the number of attempted strokes a golfer can make. It keeps the frustratio level at a minimum and helps move play along.
"For those who have not played a whole bunch, "put a limit on swings,"
Driscoll said. "If you don't hit your ball on your second swing, pick it up and
throw it: That's what I tell the kids wh are just learning to play golff. It's
supposed to be a fun day!! supposed to be a fun day!"
Stevens also advises golfers to check Stevens also advises golfers to check
with the golf course about dress code with the golf course about dress code
before the event. Private clubs don't before the event. Private clubs
allow jeans and usually require a shirt.
with a collar. There also may be with a collar. There also may be restrictions on shorts and most courses
now only allow soft spike golf shocs.
will be golfers of all
levels participating.
"You don't "You don't know the caliber of golfer
you are going to get," Driscoll said. "A scramble situation is probably best.
because it keeps everyone involved. because it keeps everyone involved. But
whatever your format, try to make it whatever your format, try to make it
where you are playing the right tees for everyone. Instead of having everyone tee off from the back tees you probably
want to have everyone shoot from the want to have everyone shoot from the
white tees. Make sure that your highest handicap person is going to have a good day and have fun.
Having fun does not mean forgetting proper golf etiquette. Golfers should
always remember to repair their ball marks and divots, rake bunkers and be mindful of pace of play.
"Pace of play is probably the biggest "Psuace with a chay is is prove eventy,", said Mark issue with a charity event,
Stevens, PGA Professional at
Meadowbrook Country Club Meadowbrook Country Club. "Things go much smoother if golfers arrive on
time and are ready to go for their tee


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## Cruise control

Ladywood posts two mercy-rule triumphs in regional
PREP SOFTBALL
They were better at the key
moments."
Ladywood freshman Briana
Combs and Country Day
junior Becca Dyer were locked
in a pitchers' duel for the first
four innings.
But in the bottom of the
fifth, combs, the ninth hitter,
led off with a sharp double
down the left field line which
led to a aive-run Ladywood
uprising.
Freshman Carli SanMillan
singled in the game-winning
run and Alysa Gietl also added
an RBI single. The Blazers also
took advantage of a pair of
Country Day errors and walks
to Jennifer Kelley and Gina

Sykes. "Once we get back to the top of the order - one through six
-were as tough as anybody I've seen," said Ladywood coach Scott Combs, whose team is 36 -6 overall. "If we get
somebody on base, we'll score somebody on base, we'll score
run or two" After sending 10 to the plate in the fifth, the Blazers ended the game on a 10 -run mercy ule in the sixth with anoth through the order again. Sykes and freshman Cara Miller each had RBI singles during the uprising, while Sarah Stempin's two-run
single ended the game. Briana Combs, who struck out four and walked three,
ing a two-out single in the fifth to shortstop Jessica
Collins and a harmless single Collins and a harmless single DiVivglio (who had walked the previous two times). "They (Country Day) have
two Compuware players and two Compuware players and
there was no way I was going there was no way I was going
to pitch to her (DiVivglio) with first base open (in the first inning)," Scott Combs said. "I've seen her (DiVivglio) for
six years and the only way to six years and the only way to
get her out is to jam her inside or not let her hit anything good. She's just too good." Dyer allowed a total of nine hits, walked five and struck
out six (raising her season total to 301).
"Our goal was to get to the
regional final and go to the
quarterfinals for the first time," said Meyers, whose
team finished $25-11$ overall team finished $25-11$ overall
after beating Melvindale in the other regional semifinal, 8-0. "I'm very proud of the
efort"" effort."
All nine players collected
hits as the Blazers scored four times in the first innin and six in the second to beat Renaissance for the second ime this season. A big key to Ladywood's
success this season has been the play of senior All-District catcher Jordan Searcy, "She does a great job back there moving in-and-out Combs said.
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## Lutheran Westland blanked in regional semifinals



Lutheran High Westland girls softball coach Paul Guse knew it would take a nearWarriors in order to continue their march in Division 4 state tournament play. innings of play Saturday in

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er. "She doesn't hit 65 mph , but she throws to the spots and gets people out." Briana Combs got plenty
of offensive support as the of offensive support as the
Blazers collected eight hits two Richmond pitchers. First baseman Alysa Gietl
figured prominently in the win figured prominently in the win
going 3 -for- 4 with an RBI and going 3 -for-4 wid
two runs scored. "She's a big-time hitter," Scott Combs said. "She plays for a good travel team in
the summer, the Plymouth--
Canton Pride and she gets Canton Pride, and she gets
200 at-bats a year. There's
regional semifinal action
against highly-touted against highly-touted
Southfield Christian, Guse' had
a pretty good indication that a pretty good indication that
the end was near for his club. A handful of miscues over
the first two frames provided the first two frames provided Southfield Christian with an
early four-run cushion, and the Eagles went on from there to crush the Warriors 9-0 in tourney play at Grosse Pointe
no one $\mathrm{I}^{\text {d }}$ d rather have at the
plate. She may be a little run plate. She may be a little run-
challeged, but she can pop it The Blazers jumped out to a
2 -0 lead in the bottom of the 2-0 ead in the bottom of the
third inning when freshman Carli SanMillan reached base on a Richmond infield error. Gietl followed with an RBI
double and freshman Cara double and freshman Cara
Miller added an RBI single. The Blazers added another run in the fifth to chase Richmond starter Jessica Greenla as Gietl and Miller
had back-to-back singles folhad back-to-back singles fol-
lowed by a Gina Sykes sacriliced by a Guna Sykes sacrifice fly to deep center brought
Gietl home to make it 3-0. Gietl home to make it 3-0. But in the top of the sixth
inning, the Blazers' usu-

Woods University-Liggett.
"We were clearry the under "We were clearly the under-
dog going in, but it was frusdog going in, but it was frus-
trating on top of that to see them score two runs in each of the first two innings,", Guse"
said. "Everything we could do said. "Everything we could do to shoot ourselves in the foot The Warriors out-hit the Eagles, 9-8, but a pair of double plays put an end to scoring
ally reliable defense became unglued as Skoryanc and Jillian Boyd both reached base
on infield errors. Erin Dunsmore's two-out Erin Dunsmore's two-out
single to left scored both runners when the ball scooted just under the outstretched glove of left field SanMillan. But Briana Combs got out
of the inning when SanMillan grabbed Greenla's sharp line ${ }_{\text {dive }}$ " thint.
"I think we picked up our
heads off the ball to loo heads off the ball to look at the unners that were close to the made an uncharacteristic five errors. "We just had to get one out, but they (Richmond) are a tough team to play because
you have to play them back
threats and sealed their fate in a season that produced 12 Junior Allison Guse' started the game and took the loss for Lutheran Westland.
Of the nine hits the Of the nine hits the Warriors
mustered off Southfield mustered off Southfield
Christian pitching, Guse' and freshman Marisa Hahn cracked two apiece.
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had no idea we'd be able to win a district"" the Warriors coach
said. "We started $0-4$, won a games after that and then lost ou No. 1 starter Emily Whitaker for the season. We've had five freshmen in the lineup the last part of
the season and were pleased with the season and were pleased
the progress weve made. "We're really looking forward to next year because we feel we have the stuff to grow on."
"We made some errors "We made some errors because people hit the ball," Richmond coach Howard, Stuart said. "She (Combs) was agood pitcher, but we forced some breaks because we hit the ball hard. "But today was their day. They hit the ball." Meanwhile, the Combs
family homecoming to Battle Creek can't come soon enoug "'ve always been dying to get back," Scott Combs said. can happen. We're just going to relax and enjoy it." And don't forget to save a
few more Rice Krispie treats few more Rice
for the trip.

## SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS

## Rocket football camp

Westland John Glenn will stage its annual football camp
for grades 6 -10 from 9 a.m. for grad
until 12:30
p.m. Monday, June 15 through Thursday, June 18, 3 at the high school, located at 36105 Marquette (between Wayne and Newburgh Roads) camp T-shirts trophies, and a pizza party).
For registration information,
call Glenn varsititer call Glenn varsity coach Tim
Hardin at (734) $419-2329$ or Hardin at (734) 419-2329 or
(734) 620 -0663. MU baseball camps Madonna University will
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with the first for ages $7-18$ with the first for ages $7-18$
going from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, June 22-24, at Ilitch Ballpark
(cost $\$ 155$ per playe) (cost \$155 per player).
MU head coach Greg Haeg MU head coach Greg Haeger pitching clinics from 9-11 a.m. (ages 10-14) and 1-3 p.m. (ages
15-18), both on Thursday, June 25, at litch Ballpark. For more information, call the 5609 or MU assistant coach Stu

Glenn baseball camp The Rocket Blast-Off summer baseball camp for grades Monday through Thursday, July baseball field (or in the gym in baseball field (or in the gym in.
the event of inclement weather). The cost is $\$ 70$ (includes camp T-shirt). The registration deadine is Friday, June 26. $\underset{\text { Glen more information, cal }}{\text { Glars }}$ Glenn varsity coach Tom
Wakefield at (313) 903-0016; or
e-mail wakefieldtm@wwsd.net. Madonna cage camps Madonna University men's basketball is offering three
weeks of summer camps in 2009 including a camp designed for high school-age
player to improve position speplayer to im
cific skills.
The Big Man camp will be from 5:30-9 p.m., Monday through Friday, June 8-12. The cost is $\$ 125$.
MU will also MU will also be staging its 35th annual All-Star camp for
boys ages 8 -15 from 9 a.m. to 3 boys ages 8-15 from 9 a.m. to
p.., Monday through Friday, June $15-19$ and July $27-31$. The
cost is $\$ 175$ per player cost is $\$ 175$ per player. For more information, vis.
madonnacrusaders.com.

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Coupon specials Go online to Mary Penning's Cake fop a newsletter, As the Torte Turns, for a variety of coupon specials. Westland's favorite baker is offering $\$ 5$ off any $\$ 10$ or more purchase, buy
three pasties or chicken pot pies and gere pasties or chicken pot pies and
gee, two muffins for $\$ 3$ and 10 percent off all wedding cakes up to $\$ 50$. You'll find the cake shop at 8036 N . Wayne Road, north of Gowan,
Westland. For more information, call Westland. For more information, call
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Garden items
With all the pests that nature throws at our gardens, one of the most destructive can be caused by the
gardeners themselves. Materials Unlimited has a large stock of hose guards available to help protect your plants from the treacherous meanderings of the hose while you water the garden. Made from cast
stone, they are available in a variety of finishes and shapes. Prices start at $\$ 26$ each. Now through June 30 , al garden accessories are 20 percent
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ears. This venture seems more like fun than work. BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS

Anniversary event
Toarmina's Pizza, the home of the 24-inch pizza, is clby helping customers save money. The pizza busines, which opened its first store on June 6,1987 , is offering free Toarmina bread, a free garden of Pepsi with any size pizza or a shad of Toarmina's new Hickory Babercue Ribs during the month of June. Locally owned and operated the metropolitan area, including three in Westland at 32785 Cherry Hill, 8006 N. Wayne To find other Toarmina Road. To find other Toarmina loci or visit the Web site at www. toarminas.com.
New medical director
VITAS Innovative Hospice

## WETLAND CHAMBER

We have begun reserving advertising space for the 2010 issue of the Wetland Chamber of Commerce Community Directory. This will be our fifth issue. Our publishing partner, NovoPrint USA is widely recogsized for their quality publicaions of maps and magazines throughout Michigan. Back by popular demand, the Directory will once again be the $5^{1}$ invents booklet size of $8 /$ by $5^{\prime} /$ inches and full color through will feature local community information, color photographs,

Care of Southeastern Michigan announces the appointment of Dr. Ala Sabri
Shuker as medical director. Shuker as medical director. medical care and treatment of patients admitted to VITAS. He also consults with the patients' attending physicians, provides guidance to VITAS
staff and volunteers, and ducafes practicing physicians and others engaged in healthcare services regarding the benefit of hospice and palliative care for patients and their families medicine at Infinity Primary Care, in Livonia and is a member of the medical staff at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. patient advocate and a skilled leader," said Elaine Howard, VITAS general manager. "He is a passionate believer in

## CHAMBER CHAT

featuring Westland and the surrounding area and advertisemints to showcase Westland Chamber member businesses. We are very excited about this all new project, offering a very affordable marketing our members to really "Strut Their Stuff" in color. The magazine will be made available to the community in print and online, in an interactive Chamber web site. Advertiser that are included will have "hot links" to their individual web
sites through this online sites through this online Etare works, please visit our web site (www.westlandchamber.


According to co-owner Jeff Sullivan, Forum Fitness offers amenities usually associated with much higher priced clubs.
How did you decide to locate in the Westland community? I was a member of this club had a vision of the potential this business in this area. Do you have a funny tidbit or story to share with our readers small business owner? . Sorry, no.
end of life."
Board certified in internal medicine, Shaker received his medical degree from AlMustansiryah University Baghdad, Iraq, and completed internship and residency programs at DMC Sinai-Grace Hospital in Detroit.
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Get in on the Strictly Business Page of the Westland and Garden City Observer by sending us your business news, pro-
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## Crafts, games make Bible lessons fun

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Sarah Sutphin isn't sure why "kids come out of the woodUnited Methodist Church's annual Vacation Bible School in Livonia every June.
"It could be becaus Heould be because the parents went to Vacation Bible or maybe they need a couple of hours away from their kids. Our program is free and that might be part of it, too," said Sutphin,
director of youth ministry for the church.
Kelly Salter of Bell Creek Community Church in Livonia also welcomes kids. The church, which meets for Suinday service holding Vacation Bible School in 2004, a year after it was founded. Summer attendance has been steady over the past few the four-day program. "I know that when things are tough in life, like these eco nomic times, people look for hope. And hearing the truth ing kids engage with other kids and learn meaningful lessons can bring hope to their lives," Salter said. "We, as a church, et excited to see kids getting excited about Jesus."
The church has alw the program in various locations, starting with Corrado Park in Westland, then Wilson
Barn in Livonia and now arn in Livonia and now Hillcrest, Livonia. About 40 ercent of its students are "visitors" who do not regularly More than half of the
Vacation Bible School students at Clarenceville last year weren't church members. The Clarenceville program runs 6-9 p.m. June 22-25 at the
church, 20300 Middlebelt, just south of Eight Mile.

9:30-11:30 a.m. July $20-23$ at
McKinley Scho Sign up for the Clarencevill program by calling Sutphin at Bell Creek program at www bellcreek.org or by calling (734) 425-1174. A sampling of other Vacation Bible School sessions Church, 25800 Student St, at Five Mile, Redford Township, holds free Vacation Bible School for children, age 4 through sixth grade, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m
June 22-26. (313) $535-3100$ Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, north of I-96, Livonia, holds "Gadget's Garage," (God's Always Doing Great, Exciting
Things) 9 a.m. to noon, June 2226 for children, age 3 through fifth grade. Register online at cww.christoursavior.org by clicking on the events page St. Aidan Catholic Church on Farmington Road, north of Six Mile, Livonia, offers the Crocodile Dock program, 9 a.m. to noon, June $15-19$. Cost is $\$ 25$
per child, with a family discount available. For more information call Jackie at (734) 425-9333. New Hope Church and Friendship Church of Canton team to offer the Crocodile age 3 to fifth grade, from 6-9 p.m. July 19-23, at Crosswinds Church, 46788 Cherry Hill, Canton. Register for the free program online at www.newho cantonfriendship.org. Click on links to Vacation Bible School. E-mail to sue..norton.08@ gmail.com for information. 574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth, offers an "In the Garden" theme Vacation Bible School for age 3 through fifth grade, $9: 30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to noon, Monday-Thursday, July
$27-30$. Register online at http:// stjohnsplymouth.us/. Call the church at (734) 453-0190.

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## Led Zeppelin music dazzles in rock symphony

The Music of Led Zeppelin: A Rock
Symphony returns for the sixth year in Symphony returns for the sixth year in a row Theatre at 8 p.m. Saturday, June 20. A stunning light show sets the stage for this presentation of Led Zeppelin's classic hits. The concert brings together a 50 -piece orchestra, a full rock band, state of the art concert ligh. The Music of Led Zeppelin is two hours of 18 Led Zeppelin songs including such hits as "Stairway to Heaven" and "Black Dog." It's conducted and arranged by Brent Havens. Show producer Rob Cross originally construct with its success, it has played in venues all over the United States.
In the time Led Żeppelin was together, they

 otherctor Brent Havens (back row, left), pose with
of Led Zeppelin: A Rock Symphony
helped shape the rock music of today. Led
Zeppelin II ( 1969 ) immediately hit number on Zeppelin II (1969) immediätely hit number one
on Billboard's Pop Albums chart and remained there for seven weeks. In 1971, Led Zeppelin IV hit number two on Billboard's Pop Albums chart and became the band's biggest album, selling more than 16 million copies. "Stairway to Heaven," a single off the album, was an song in radio history.
DTE Energy Music Theater, 7773 Pine Knob Rd, Clarkston, is off of I-75 at Sashabaw Rd. (Exit 89)
Tickets
Tickets at $\$ 32.50$ pavilion and $\$ 10$ lawn may be purchased at Palacenet.com, The Palac
Box Office and all Ticketmaster locations. Tickets may also be charged by phone at 1 -
$800-745-3000$.



## See family favorite films at the Penn

The Peun Theatre offers a summer series of fam The programs are June 18 with Stuart Little. Corporation of America, Plymouth District Library, Michigan Made \& More and Community Financial Credit Union.
Shows are at 1 and 7 p.m., with the box office All seats are $\$ 3$.
Here's the line-up through August:
Mune 25: The Music Man

- July 2: Fly Azoay Home - July 23: The Shaggy Dog (original 1959 ver sion) July 30: Annie
- Aug. 6: In Searc

Aug. 13: Babe
Aug. 20: Apple Dumpling Gang

- Aug. 27: The Muppets Take Manhattan The Penn Theatre is located at 760 Penuiman Ave., in downtown Plymouth. (734) 453-0870 www.penntheatre.com

Farmington Hills gallery features local photography

coutinued in a spirit of inventiveness with every portfolio. After assisting
for a company of elite architectural photographers, Hedrich Blessing, in pelled to apply his craft as a career After several self-curated shows in Albuquerque, he was accepted a the Cranbrook Academy of Art in Bloomfield Hills, where he is currently an MFA candidate in photography. group shows in New Mexico, Illinois, Georgia, and Michigan, and in a variety of private collections. In addifor the Cultural Arts Division of the Farmington Hills Department of Specia Services. His portfolios can be viewed at www.flickr.com/photos/pdrearick. For more information on the exhibit or to be added to the Farmington Hills
Cultural Arts contact list, call $(248) 473$ 1856.


Performing at the Fisher Theatre

American Idol Taylor Hicks performs in Grease, at the Fisher Theatre until June 28.

Farmington Hills kicks off summer concert series

The City of Farmington Hills will present the Farmington Community Band as the opening oncert in its "Stars in the Park" summer con he serogram t i:30 p.m. June 18 . Fundhg for inancial Services and the City's Special ervices Department.
oire includes a selection of many different musical styles, from Big Band to Broadway, classical to jazz. The group was ounded in 1966, and has grown from its initial six members to today's 65 -member concert hoir, Dixieland band, and other small ensem choir,
bles.
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Led by maestro Damien Crutcher, the FCB a non-profit organization sponsored by ind and is guided and operated by a 30 -member oard of directors representing all facets of the ommunity, with the purpose of maintaining quality musical group to entertain audiences nd also provide an outlet for the areas many lented musicians. Membership is open a fied high school students. Several of the band's embers have participated for over 20 years. Concert goers are encouraged to bring
lanket or lawn chair and a picnic dinner anket or lawn chair and a picnic dinner. Road, Farmington Hills. The rain-out site for he concert will be the Costick Center, located hree miles east of Heritage Park on Eleven hile Road. The concert series continues on Thursday nights throughout the summer. For (248) 473-1857.



## This year, Rochester has a second roadside stand farmers market on Thursday evenings.

## Each farmers market sells fresh fare, unique products

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unique flavor. schedule of ' Farmers Market features a schedule of events that includes demon-
strations by chefs every third Thursday At Southfield's Thursday farmers market, people can shop for fresh fare during tables while listening to live entertaic ment. It all makes for a fun and wholesome event that often includes activities for children and the family
Following is a listing of area farmers
markets and a sample of their offerings CANTON - Canton Farmers Market is 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sundays through Oct. 25 at the historic Bartlett-Travis House, 500
N. Ridge. Vendors offer a wide variety N. Ridge. Vendors offer a wide variety
of merchandise as it becomes available, including fresh fruits and vegetables, bread, baked goods, flowers, herbs, jellies, jams, cider, honey and more.
(734) $398-5570$. Ext. 5 ; ww
(734) 398-5570, Ext. 5; www.leisure

DETROIT EASTERN MARKET - 5 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays year-round. Detroit Eastern Market is the largest historic public market district in the United States. Every Saturday, Michigan's larg to more than 150 farmers and vendors from Michigan, Ohio, and Canada. 2934 Russell St., Detroit. (313) 833-9300 FARMNGTON - The Farmington Farmers
Artisans Market is Artisans Market is 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. every
Saturday through November at the Walter Sundquist Pavilion on Grand River, in
downtown Farmington. Seasonal fruits and vegetables, flowers, plants and arti and vegetables, flowers, plants and arti-
san crafts. (248) $841-4959$

GARDEN CITY - The Farmers Market in downtown Garden City is in the Garden City Town Center, northeast corner of p.m. Wednesdays. A wide selection of fruits, vegetables and plants are offered. In addition, there are seminars. Bring your lawn chair for market related seminars at 10:30 a.m. on the second Wednesday of the month. the topic sponsored by The Wild Iris Floral Boutique.
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$422-4448$
(734) ${ }^{422-4448}$ LivoNIA - The Livonia Farmers LIVONIA - The Livonia Farmers
Market, operated by Friends of Wilso Barn, is open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays through October at the Wilson Barn on the northeast corner of West Chicago and Middlebelt.
NORTHVILLE - The Farmers Market is
8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursdays through 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursdays through Oct.
30 in the Northville Downs parking lot at the corner of Seven Mile and Sheldon
roads.
More than
100 stalls feature fresh pro More than 100 stalls feature fresh pro-
duce, plants and flowers. Other finds are duce, plants and flowers. Other finds are ers, garden art, soaps, jewelry, furniture, woodworking and home accessories. The schedule of events includes: Chef's at the Market, third Thursdays; Can
You Dig It? second Thursdays Gardener sessions; and Hot Weather

Holiday on Aug. 20 , so you can start your holiday shopping season early. Garden pot recycling returns with plug trays and flat trays. Last year, 650 pounds of plastic was collected. Also, the Wayne County Master Gardeners will be accepting donations munity garden plots, or purchased at th munity garden plots, or purchased at the
Earmers' Market to be donated locally. (248) 349-7640 or visit www.northville.org.
PLYMOUTH
PLYMOUTH - The Plymouth Farmer's Market, 736 Penniman, is 7:30 a.m. t2:30 p.m. Saturdays, May through
October.
Vendors sell home-grown and/or handmade products.
Located at The Gathering, 386 S anstreet and Penniman Avenue, (704) Main and Union streets.

ROYAL OAK - The Royal Oak Farmers Market, 316 E. 11 Mile, is a premier outheast Michigan market venue. Farm producers sell from an enclosed buildng, with ample parking, on Friday during the farm season (May through Christmas) and Saturday all year. The market is owned and operated by the city of Royal Oak. It’s in the Civic Center at the corner of 11 Mile Road and Troy Street, across from the library and adjacent to the 44th District Court Hours are: Fridays 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. (248) 246 -FARM ( 3276 )

CANTON GRUB CRAWL
CANTON - Mark July 21 on your calendar for the annual Canton Chamber of Commerce Grub Crawl. Busses and vans taxi guests
to more than a dozen participating restaurants, each of which ffers samples of their favorite food specialties, from 6-10 pm. Participating restaurants will include Antonio's Cucina Italiana, Applebee's, Bailey's Pub \& Grille, bd's Mongolian Grill, Buffalo Wild Wings, Carrabba's Italian Grill, Chilis's, Crow's Nest, 4 , riends, Max \& Ermas, Roses Restaurant, Shark Club, Shish information call (734) 453-4040 DETROIT-WINDSOR AIR RACES
DETROIT - View the finals of the 2009 Air Race World Detroit River, from atop the seven-story Beaubien Garage The National Multiple Sclerosis Society and the Matt Prentice Restaurant Group have teamed up to offer the viewing space as a harity fund-raiser. The party will include barbecue food stations Prentice Restaurant Group The complimentary bar will include wines, beers, juices and soft drinks. A special drink station will feature Dragon Bleu Vodka. Limited outdoor seating and a famy game area. Tickets are $\$ 150$ per person. Buy online at www. nationalmssociety.org/mig or call (248) 351-2190, ext. 225.
MAKE-A-WISH FUNRAISER
LVONIA - The Make-A-Wish Foundation is partnering with
Baskin-Robbins for a 'FunRaiser' to raise money for their Wish-A-Mile Bicycle Tour, a three-day, to raise mile bicyele ride from raverse City to Chelsea. Baskin Robbins will donate $\$ 1$ to the Make-A-Wish Foundation from each ice cream cake they sell
hrough July 25 . They aim to sell 5,000 cakes, raising $\$ 5,000$ fo he Wish-A-Mile.
To kick off the program, Baskin Robbins will host an event 3-9 p.m. Monday, June 8 at the Livonia location, 17138 Farmington Road. Local media and Make-A-Wish representatives will join ustomers to enjoy entertainment, their favorite Baskin Robbin purchased that day, including pre-orders. Visit www.baskinrobbins.com.
BBQ RIB COOK OFF
NOVI - The first-ever West Oakland Rib Cook Off and Family Fest, is set for Sunday, Aug. 9 at Rock Financial Showplace, 46100 Grand River Ave in Novi. The all day event will feature as many as fifty BBQ Rib Teams, live music, local restaurant tastings, family activities including a furry creature petting zoo, and more.
Experience West Oakland," a committee of the Novi Chamber Barbeque Network focently granted a sanction from the Memph BQ competitors the their inaugural event, which will ing $\$ 10,000$. A panel of 40 professional and amateur judges will ng $\$ 10,000$. A panel of 40 professional and amateur judges wil nvited to compete in the "Memphis in May" Barbeque Network Finals, May 2010.
More information on the sanctioning body can be found at Ww.MBNBBQ.com
Registration information for interested contestants can be Restaurants located in Westem
participate in the fun by offering samples of 1 are invited ar dishes. Exhibitors featuring cooking and barbeque related products are also welcome. For additional information about the
West Oakland Rib Cook Off and Family Fest, contact Linda Daly West Oakland Rib Cook Off and Family Fest, contact Linda Daly
at the Novi Chamber of Commerce, $(248) 349-3743$, or e-mail info@novichamber.com.

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