

# **IN BRIEF** Cable TV honor

Westland's cable channel, WLND, was recently honored with a Philo T. Farnsworth award for excellence in production. The award was in the regional category of the national contest and consisted of entries from Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Illinois and Kentucky. The winners were announced at the Philo T. Farnsworth Video Festival held in Grand Rapids.

WLND last won the Farnsworth Award in 2008. The Overall Compilation included clips from a variety of WLND programs including City Council meetings, Mayor William Wild's Month In Review, sports coverage, grand openings and several Informational/PSA programs. The goal was to produce a compilation DVD that included a variety. of programs to show that WLND informs as well as entertains. Production crew that was responsible for this award included Craig Welkenbach, Dave Monak, Kevin Kreis, Mike Cischke,

# Dance, dance, dance

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**Chuck Riffenburg and Craig** 

Tickets are now on sale at the Bailey Recreation Center for the Westland Parks and **Recreation Department's annual** Daddy/Daughter and Mommy/ Son Hoedown and the Daddy/ **Daughter Fairy Princess Ball** The Family Hoedown will be 6:30-8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 11, at the Bailey Center, 36651 Ford Road, In the civic center complex. The cost are \$15 per couple plus \$7 for each additional daughter or son. There will be two Fairy Princess Balls - 3-4:30 p.m. and 5:30-7 p.m., both Saturday, Feb. 12. The cost is \$20 per couple plus \$7 for each additional daughter. Corsages are available for \$8. Pre-register by Feb. 8 for hoedown and princess balls at the Bailey Center. Cashier hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily. For more information, call (734) 722-7620.

# Council looks at water-sewer rate hike

## **BY LEANNE ROGERS OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Higher expenses, no cash on hand and a lowered credit rating - Westland's water and sewer fund sounds a lot like many people's personal finances.

Council recently had an update on the fund — projected to be \$20.3 million in 2011 - which also is expected to handle a \$2.2 million bill for

cleanup after hundreds of homes were flooded in June. Not to mention major repairs and replacements that can be expected of a 40- to 50-year-old infrastructure, 15-year-old water meters and a court-mandated sewer project in which Westland will have to participate.

The city is projecting an overall 14percent combined water-sewer rate increase and a nearly tripling of the fixed-rate costs added to local charges in response to lower water usage. The increase from \$5 per bill to \$14.45 per bill was attributed to fixed costs passed on by Wayne County.

'Cash in the water fund is nonexistent essentially. The plan is that \$500,000 would be added to the cash reserve each year," Westland Finance Director Steve Smith said.

That goal of building up a fund balance in the water and sewer fund is in addition to the four-year plan to repay the \$2.2 million loaned to the water and sewer fund by the city's general fund.

"We've actually decreased the water operations and maintenance (spending), mainly through reductions in staff," Smith said. "We had more than 40 people in the water department three years ago, now we have just over 30 people."

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Youngsters duck and run under a bright colored parachute during the library's monthly Get Up and Move program.

# Library helps kids 'Get Up & Move'

Ceremony celebrates, remembers **MLK** legacy

> **BY LEANNE ROGERS OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

In a change from previous years, Westland's annual Martin Luther King Day ceremony won't have a keynote speaker but instead feature comments from a number of people.

We have a committee that works on the program. This year, several speakers will talk for about five minutes on how their lives were shaped by Dr. King's philosophy," said Mayor

# Game, fun night

The Wayne-Westland Dyer Senior Center will host a Game and Fun Night 7-10 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20, at the center, 36745 Marquette, Westland,

The cost is \$5 per person and tickets are available at the center. Senior will enjoy dice games, Apples to Apples, Monopoly, euchre, bunco, pinochle, Uno, Scrabble and Yahtzee. There will be prizes and refreshments. For more information, call the

center at (734) 419-2020.

# Sweetheart of a story If Cupid's arrow hit the mark,

we'd like to hear about it. Tell us in 200 words or less your favorite or most memorable love story and we'll share it with readers in an upcoming issue. Include a photo of yourself, You'll also be in the running

to win dinner for two or movie tickets.

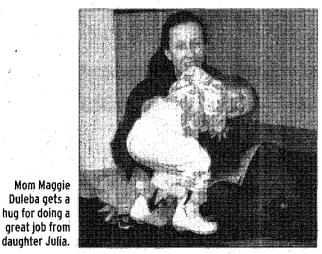
The deadline for submissions is Feb. 1. Include your name, city of residence, telephone number and e-mail address and send to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@ hometownlife.com. Make sure the photo is attached as a jpg. Or mail submissions to Dargay at the Observer, 615 W. Lafayette, level 2, Detroit, MI 48226.

oungsters ages 5-12 are getting up and moving with the help of a monthly program offered at the William P. Faust Public Library.

Run by Stephanie Dickinson, "Get Up & Move" is all about moving around. Each month, the class has a different theme, but the concept is to promote physical activity. This month, the theme was Parachute Games, while next month children will be focusing on Valentine's activities.

The programs are offered Tuesdays. The 6-6:45 p.m. session is for youngsters ages 5-7, while the 7-8 p.m. session is for children ages 8-12. Registration is required and can be done online under kids events on the library's website at westland.lib.mi.us.

For more information, call (734) 326-6123.



Mia Brown is an enthusiastic participant in the program for kids ages 5-7.

William Wild, who will speak during the program which will be at 10 a.m. Monday at the senior Friendship Center.

This is the 13th year for the MLK Day program which traditionally is well-attended by the public and area officials. Wayne County Sheriff Benny Napoleon will be among the speakers this year.

'This has become an annual tradition in Westland, I think each year the number of people attending has gone up," said Wild.

This year's ceremony promises uplifting performances and inspiring words all in remembrance of Dr. King's legacy. Students of the Wayne-Westland Community Schools have submitted various creative entries honoring Dr. King, which will be on display.

There will also be various musical selections, an inspirational message, a student's perspective video tribute and a historical perspective. The invocation will be delivered by District Elder Luke McClendon of Christ Temple Apostolic Faith. Pastor Kurt Lambart of St. Matthew Lutheran Church will say the closing prayer.

Light refreshments will be served following the program. The Friendship Center is located at 1119 N. Newburgh, just south of Ford.

City offices will be closed due to the MLK holiday. Emergency services and trash collection will be unaffected.

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# Wayne-Westland school board seeks applicants to fill vacancy

The Wavne-Westland school board has determined how and when it will fill the remaining 143 days of the term vacated Monday, Jan. 10, by long-time board member Martha Pitsenbarger.

Residents interested in serving on the board will have until 4 p.m. Monday, Jan. 31, to submit a letter of interest, resumes and any other information they deem appropriate in the superintendent's office at the district's administrative services building at 36745 Marquette, east of Newburgh, in Westland.

The school board has 30 days from the time of Pitsenbarger's resignation to fill the position. The appointee will serve out he remainder of the term which expires on June 30, 2011

The board has called for a special meeting at 6 p.m. Monday, Feb. 6, to screen and interview applicants be fore selecting a new board member. Candidates must be a registered voter of the district, which includes the city

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# State of State: Local officials to listen closely to what's said

#### BY LEANNE ROGERS OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Like many other local government officials, Westland Mayor William Wild will be listening closely to Gov. Rick Snyder's first State of the State address Wednesday evening.

As the governor and legislature work to eliminate the projected \$1.8 million deficit projected in the state's general fund next fiscal year, Wild said he will be paying closest attention to the effect on state shared revenues. "I want to see what type of incentives there will be to cities to pursue consolidation. I'm waiting to see if there is a carrot or a stick," said Wild.

In 2011, Westland has budgeted \$6.9 million in various state funding sources — a number that has decreased from \$8.7 million in 2008.

"When it comes to state shared revenue, I hope that the governor looks at the cities as an economic engine," said Wild. "This is where the jobs are, this is where the services are." One of the biggest issues facing Michigan is the number of people leaving the state, he said.

"Cuts to the cities affect the way of life. A lot of that is services that we deliver and it has an effect," said Wild.

Wayne-Westland School Superintendent Greg Baracy also will be listening closely. Rumors have been circulating in Lansing about moving the \$1.8 billion the general fund provides for state colleges and universities into the K-12 State School Aid Fund. Such a move could end up costing school districts \$1,150 per student in school aid.

"It's one thing we would not like to see," said Baracy. "We like every other district would lose a huge amount of money and that's what makes that proposal seem unrealistic. Unfortunately, if they go down that road again it means they're not ready to address the structural flaws in funding."

"There's a lot of anticipation in what the governor's going to say," he added. "We'll see what he proposes." With a 63-47 major-

ity, House Republicans have already announced their plans to push for lower taxes, less regulation on businesses and tighter rules for welfare recipients.

That could include eliminating the Earned Income Tax Credit for lower income taxpayers — a credit that costs the state treasury more than \$330 million — and many tax credits for businesses or individuals.

Snyder and the legislature are working on a two-year budget plan — something

wanted a copy of the itemized

"I've asked for a line item

bill from Belfor. There's a lot

we need to see," Councilman

feel a lot better if we paid the

\$2.2 million from the Taylor

rate increase to citizens. If we

owe something, I'd like to see

what it is. I can't comment on

whether I support this until I

The city is in the process of

refinancing Taylor Towers, a

senior housing building, now

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money that will be generated

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hasn't been determined or

for upkeep of the building

Auditors Plante Moran

noted the water and sewer

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transfers from other funds.

Also wanting to see the

Bryant said the city needs to

look at other sources of fund-

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**Councilwoman Christine** 

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Towers refinancing, than a

Bill Johnson said. "I would

Westland began doing in the 2010-11 fiscal year.

Along with reviewing various tax credits and reducing business regulations, Republicans are expected to look at reducing wages or benefits for state and school employees, if they are not reduced through collective bargaining; a four-year limit for welfare benefits to families; addressing abuse of welfare benefits, and reducing the cost of running prisons.

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Council members not want-

ing to pass along rate increas-



#### City of Wayne and portions of Westland, Canton, Romulus, Inkster and Dearborn Heights and be at least 18 years old.

They also must be a citizen of the United States, resident of the State of Michigan and the school district and otherwise eligible to hold the office. The board is looking for a person who has experience in responsible decision making, a desire to work as a team member, a commitment to educational excellence and to representing the community. Applicants also should be a

trusted member of the community and have a record of fiscal responsibility.

Following the appointment, the new board member will file an Acceptance of Office, Affidavit of Eligibility and take an oath of office.

The appointment will be made less than 24 hours before the 4 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 8, filing deadline for the Tuesday, May 3, school election. Two seats - the one vacated by Pitsenbarger and that of school Board President Skip Monit - will be filled in the election. Both are fouryear terms.

School officials stressed that it is not mandatory that the person who chooses to run for one of those two board seats submit their name for consideration for an appointment.

Candidates for the school election have two ways to file. They can submit nominating petitions containing a minimum of 40 up to a maximum of 100 signatures of registered voters in the school district or pay a \$100 fee in lieu of petitions and file an Affidavit of Identity.

Residents can pick up the necessary paperwork between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at the clerk's office in Westland City Hall, 36601 Ford, west of Wayne Road, or 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday at the clerk's office in Wayne City Hall, 3355 S. Wayne Road, north of Michigan Avenue.

For more information about filing for the election, call the Westland clerk's office at (734) 467-3185 or the Wayne clerk's office at (734) 722-2204.

Information about the appointment can be obtained by calling the superintendent's office at (734) 419-2010.

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invoice.

council members discussed options for paying the \$2.2 million cleanup bill and es caused the current problems with the fund, Council President James Godbout said. "Historically, past councils held the rates low and didn't

residents.

held the rates low and didn't pass on increases for local projects. We did things financially that were not in the best interest of the fund," Godbout said. "That's how we got into this situation. We're paying for past sins of not taking care of it. We kept our rates artificially low."

Part of the situation Godbout was referring to was Moody's lowering the city's sewer and water bond rating, once the highest quality Aaa, to Ba, which is described as having "speculative elements and are subject to substantial credit risk." The downgrading to Ba came before the \$2.2 million cleanup bill was incurred.

A goal in the five-year analysis and rate study was to get the bond rating back to Aaa, but it was noted that it will take consistent positive years of performance by the water and sewer fund. With the lower bond rating, the city would have to pay substantially more to finance anticipated future projects.

Council is expected to introduce the new water and sewer rates at its Feb. 6 meeting.

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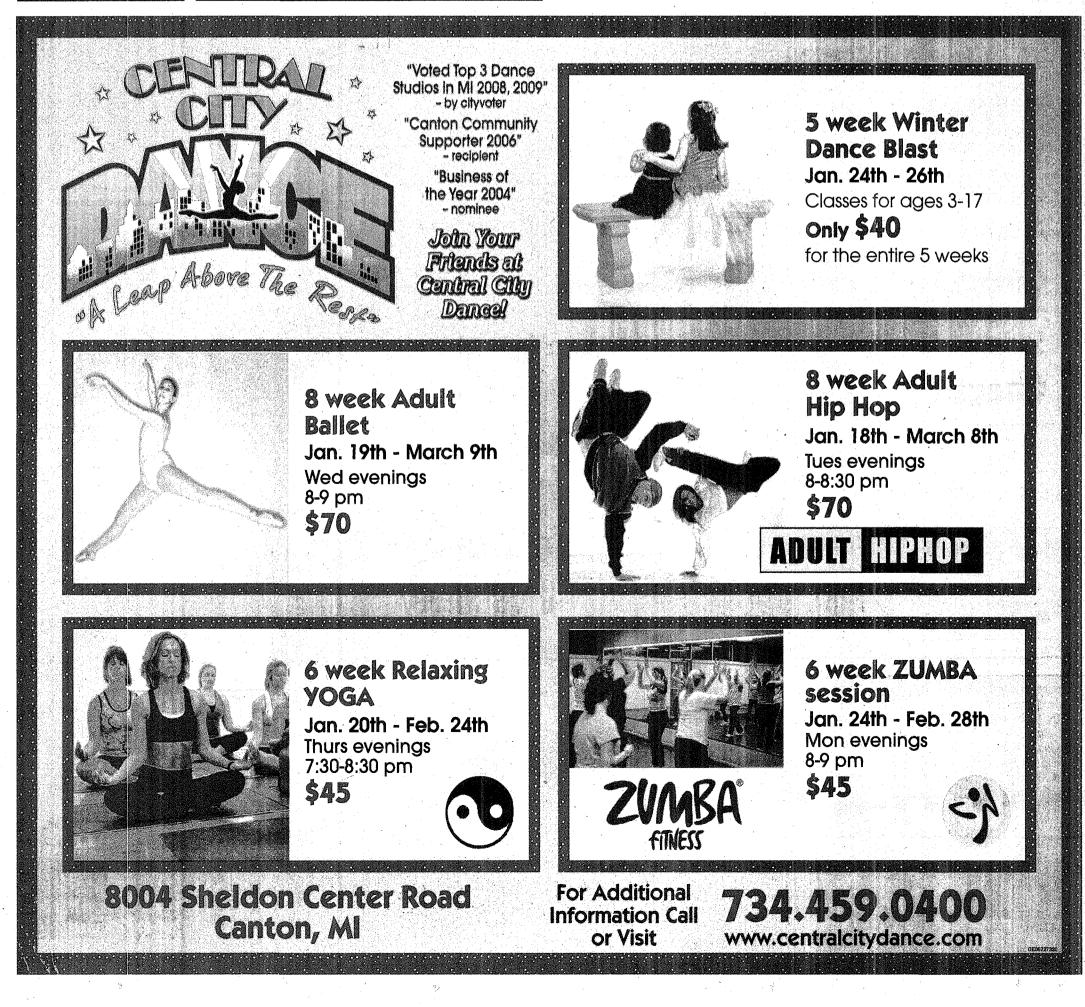
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# 'I couldn't believe what I was seeing'

# Teen tells court a chilling tale about death of **Carlee Morse**

#### BY LEANNE ROGERS **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

A 19-year-old Westland man traded a plea of guilty to a reduced charged and agreed to testify against a second defendant in the death of a Westland teenager.

Prior to his testimony Thursday in Westland 18th District Court, Nicholas Cottrell, 22, pleaded guilty to a seconddegree murder in the killing of Carlee Morse, 16. Cottrell will receive sentence of 25 to 50 years in prison, decreased from up to life in prison, in return for his testimony against co-defendant Justin Yoshikawa, 18, who would face a mandatory sentence of life in prison without parole, if convicted.

Cottrell's account of Yoshikawa strangling Morse with a rope and after her death, attempting to break her neck drew cries and gasps from family members and friends of the victim and defen-



The body of 16-year-old murder victim Carlee Morse has not been found. However, one of two teens charged with her murder testified Thursday that her body, contained in black trash bags, was put into a Dumpster outside a church in an isolated area.

dants who packed the courtroom.

The two men met a couple of times about eight months ago and rapidly became inseparable, Cottrell said, spending all their time together, both living at Cottrell's Taylor home.

"He (Yoshikawa) seemed down to earth. He didn't seem like a bad person," said Cottrell, who testified he had met Morse a couple times and knew her as Yoshikawa's former girlfriend. "He told me he had cheated on



Nicholas Justin Cottrell, 22, has Yoshikawa has pleaded guilty to been bound over a second-degree for trial on a murder in the charge of firstkilling of Morse. degree murder.

her (causing their break-up). He said his face was stomped by Carlee when they broke up."

Having met Morse in late July just weeks before the teenager disappeared on Aug. 20, Cottrell testified that he and Morse had jointly purchased marijuana which they were selling, as did Yoshikawa.

### **FOLLOWED DIRECTIONS**

Speaking with a flat tone and staring straight ahead when not speaking, Cottrell testified that he followed instructions from Yoshikawa to lure Morse from the Westland apartment where she lived with her mother around 12:30 a.m. on Aug. 20 with a text message.

The plan was for Yoshikawa to hide in the rear passenger side of Cottrell's 1998 Ford Escort,

Cottrell said, then strangle Morse, who was sitting in the front passenger seat smoking a blunt - a small cigar hollowed out and filled with marijuana. Cottrell testified that at Yoshikawa's direction, he got items including a blanket and cardboard to conceal Yoshikawa in the rear seat.

"He didn't tell me what he was going to do. I had seen a rope that was used for a dog leash," said Cottrell. "I was to make sure the passenger seat was pushed back all the way to look like no one was behind it."

After Morse got into the car, Cottrell said he drove as planned to a car lot on Venoy that had an overhang. The signal to kill Morse was that particular song was being played on the car stereo, he said.

"I was watching the clock. It was 34 seconds after the song started that Justin arose from the backseat and started to strangle Carlee," said Cottrell. "The headrest was all the way up with two metal bars. He strangled her to death. She was struggling. I froze. I couldn't believe what I was seeing. I hadn't believed he would do what he did."

Yoshikawa didn't say anything, Cottrell said, until telling him to grab the struggling girl's legs which he did.

The pair drove around for awhile before stopping so that Yoshikawa could move Morse's body to the trunk, Cottrell said. "He told me to walk away from the vehicle and I did. I watched. He was hauling her out of the front seat. The body was limp," said Cottrell. "He tried to snap her neck. He had kept the rope around her neck for about an hour."

The defendants returned to Cottrell's Taylor home and parked body in the Dumpster, Cottrell the car in the garage. Cottrell said Yoshikawa slept and then when into the garage to deal with the body still in the trunk.

"I went to the garage. Justin cracked the door open and said, 'You don't want to see this,'" said Cottrell.

# **ISOLATED AREA**

Morse's body has not been recovered. Cottrell testified that he was under influence of marijuana and in a distressed state of mind as they drove aimlessly until coming to an isolated area where Yoshikawa put her body, contained in black trash bags, into a Dumpster outside a church. Neither Cottrell or Yoshikawa, who drew police a diagram, have been able to provide an exact location where they left Morse's body.

Westland police Sgt. David Hockstein read a statement written by Yoshikawa after his arrest in early December and it mir-

"I've had a long time to think about what I have done," began Yoshikawa's statement.

"I have had 18 years of anger and bad choices. I killed a person named Carlee," Yoshikawa wrote in his statement, adding she had stolen from him and that he killed her "because of differences in the past."

Once they had put Morse's and Yoshikawa had headed south. Cottrell said he left Yoshikawa in Alabama, where in Yoshikawa's statement, he wrote that he stayed with his mother and eventually suffered a breakdown that resulted in hospitalization.

Judge Sandra Cicirelli ordered that Yoshikawa be bound over for trial on a charge of first-degree murder and remanded to jail.

As Cottrell entered his guilty plea, his mother Tina Lowe, 49, waived her preliminary examination on charges of being an accessory after the fact and interfering in a police investigation in the murder. Lowe is charged with telling a witness not to come forward with information about the murder.

A witness eventually did provide police with information about Morse's murder that resulted in Yoshikawa and Cottrell being arrested.

rored the testimony from Cottrell. Irogers@hometownlife.com | (313) 222-5428



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# Six W-W students win auto show poster awards

#### BY SUE MASON **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

The William D. Ford Career Technical Center has made history when it comes to the 2011 North American International Auto Show. Six students in instructor Steve Paulsen's graphic arts classes won a collective \$1,850 in prize money for posters they created in the NAIAS's annual high school poster contest.

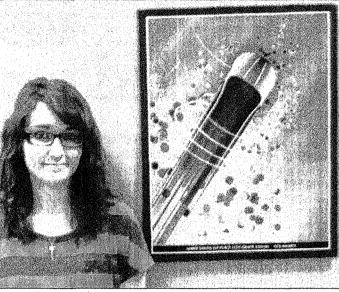
"The contest has never seen six from the same school," said center Principal Steven Kay. "There were 16 cash prizes and Wayne-Westland won six of the 16."

Paulsen's students have participated in the contest for more than eight years and this year's prizes continue a winning streak dating back to at least 2005.

"I want to thank the school board for giving me the ability to teach these students so they can win these awards," Paulsen said.

Established to engage the creative minds of Michigan's future artists, the 23rd annual contest recognizes students from local art communities. There were 740 poster from 79 high schools entered in the contest. The top prize, the Chairmen's Award of \$1,000, went to Reid Dickson, a 12thgrade student at Stoney Creek High School in Rochester Hills.

Westland resident Kaela Wojtowicz, a student at John Glenn High School, received a \$500 prize for her poster which was picked as the Designer's Best of Show in the digital category. The



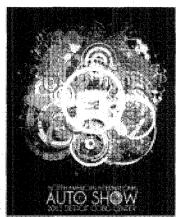
Amber Santo shows off her auto show poster that won first place in the 11thorade category.

stylized poster was done in Photoshop and includes 20 layers, according to Paulsen, who introduced the winners at Monday's school board meeting.

"She did a very good job, it's one of the best pieces in the contest," he said. "The designers chose the top design poster, she won for the whole contest."

Amber Santo, also a John Glenn student, placed first among the 11th-grade entries. She also received the College for Creative Studies Award, which includes a free continuing education class at CCS and two tickets to the CCS student show.

"She used a lot of raster and vector computer graphics for her image," Paulsen said, adding that the poster is on the cover of the Italian Tribune. "She's in 11th grade so it

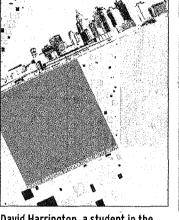


Bridget Werner's entry received the Best Use of Color Award.

means she can display something next year.'

Bridget Werner, also a John Glenn student, gained \$250 for her entry which received the Best Use of Color Award. "Her poster has a very

expressive color palette," said



David Harrington, a student in the Plymouth-Canton school district, received a second place in the 12thgrade category with his poster.

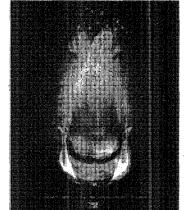


Alyssa Shirkey's poster placed third in the 12th-grade category.

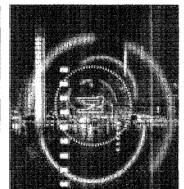
#### Paulsen.

This is the second year in a row she and Wojtowicz have won in the poster contest. In 2010, Wojtowicz placed second in the 11th-grade contest, while Werner was first in the 10th-grade category.

Also receiving \$250 prizes were Nichole Tyra, a student at Wayne Memorial High school, who placed second in the 11th-grade category, and David Harrington, a student in the Plymouth-Canton school district who received a second place in the 12th-



Kaela Wojtowicz received a \$500 prize for her poster which was picked as the Designer's Best of Show in the digital category.



This poster by Nichole Tyra, a student at Wayne Memorial High school, placed second in the 11thgrade category.

#### grade category.

"Nicole's is a nice piece, it's inspired by the *Ironman* II movie," Paulsen told the school board. "David's is very creative, it has a nice color palette. He's always doing things in class that surprise me --- good things." Receiving a \$100 prize for placing third in the 12thgrade category was Alyssa

Shirkey, a student at Lutheran High School Westland.

She's one of my best students," said Paulsen. "She designed the new veterans memorial that will be built at Central City Park. She did a great job."

The poster entries were judged by an independent panel of recognized members from the local art community. All winning entries are on the official NAIAS website, www. naias.com. They also will be on display during the public show days as well as appear in the official NAIAS program.

Trustee William Gabriel called the showing a "testament to the hidden gem we have at the technical center."

'We have a great building there," he said. "There's so many things we can be proud of. It's a credit to the staff, instructors and students in this school district."

"I'm very impressed with what I saw tonight," added board Secretary Cindy Schofield. "The artwork is one of the small pieces of what we see at the Career Technical Center."

Superintendent Greg Baracy offered a thank you to Paulsen for his contributions and hours spent with the students.

'These things don't happen between 7:30 a.m. and 3 p.m.," he said. "He has state of the art technology and digital programming to enhance the students' creativity. When you go in to his classroom, you think you're in a Big Three design lab. It's a phenomenal thing to see."

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# Martin Luther King Day: 25th Anniversary

In 1983, a federal holidav marking the birth of Martin Luther King Jr. was created. The first observation of the holiday was in 1986, making Jan. 17, 201,1 the 25th anniversary of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Rather than just giving workers and schoolchildren a day off, the holiday was created as a national day of service in 1994.

The MLK Day of Service is part of United We Serve, the President's national call to service initiative. It calls for all Americans to work together to provide solutions to our most pressing national problems. It is a day for empowering individuals, strengthening communities, bridging barriers, creating solutions to social problems, and moving closer to Dr. King's vision of a "Beloved Community." For more information about the holiday, visit the website mlkday.gov.

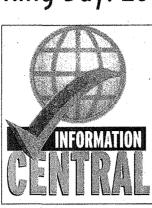
If you're interested in following Dr. King's lead, some local groups could use your help. In Westland, you could be a food distributor for a food pantry, help in afterschool programs as helpers or with the community feeding program, or possibly some general office work. For more information about these opportunities and those in other communities, go to All for Good's website at www. allforgood.org. Many of these projects are ongoing and not just for the MLK Day of Service.

Some recent materials about Martin Luther King Jr.'s life, death and influence include the following: "Hellhound on His Trail" by Hampton Sides, "Through It All" by Christine King Farris, "What Would Martin Say?" by Clarence B. Jones, "April 4, 1968" by Michael Eric Dvson, "Becoming King" by Troy Jackson, "At Canaan's Edge" by Taylor Branch, "Going Down Jericho Road" by Michael K. Honey and "Judgment Days" by Nick Kotz. DVDs of interest include "Citizen King," "Martin Luther King" and "Roads to Memphis.

The William P. Faust Public Library of Westland is open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. call the library (734) 326-6123. to 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday and noon-5 p.m. Sunday. It's always open online at www.westlandlibrary.org.

The library will be closed Monday, Jan. 17, in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. It will resume regular hours on Tuesday, Jan. 18.

## **Highlighted Activities**



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Writers Workshop: 7 p.m. Jan. 18, age 15 and up

Do you have a piece of writing that you need help with? The Writers Workshop critiques individual's writing in a workshop setting. All genres accepted (fiction, poetry, memoir, etc.). We will tell you what is what is working with your piece, as well as what needs improvement. You must attend one session before your writing will be reviewed. To register, visit the Reference Desk or contact andy.schuck@westlandlibrary.org

Adult Book Discussion Group: 7 p.m. Jan. 18

This month we are reading and discussing "Manhunt: the 12-Day Chase for Lincoln's Killer" by James L. Swanson. On April 14, 1865, one of the most daring and tragic crimes of American history was committed. John Wilkes Booth shot and killed President Abraham Lincoln in a crowded theater, and then escaped in the confusion. This book tells the story of the ensuing 12 days, during which Booth was at large and cavalry troops hunted him. Copies are available at the Reference Desk.

Yoga for Beginners: 5 p.m. Jan. 19, adults and teens - NEW TIME this week only.

Join Lois Gannon of evolve yoga studio in Ypsilanti as she leads a beginning Hatha yoga class. Interested parties should bring a yoga mat, if possible. Wear loose clothing. The third of four evening classes this month. Sign up at the Reference Desk or

**Documentary Movie Night:** 7 p.m. Jan. 19

Join us for a viewing of the documentary film "Killer at Large." Obesity rates in the United States have reached epidemic proportions in recent years. The Centers for Disease Control estimate that at least 110,000 people die per year due actually causing obesity. "Killer at Large" shows how little is being done and more importantly, what can be done to reverse it.

Open Mic Night: 7 p.m. Jan. 20, adults and teens age 12 and uр

It's your turn to take the mic as we clap and laugh and sing and roll through the winter version of Open Mic. Contact the Reference Desk to sign up or just show up ready to perform. Local bluesman John Latini emcees tonight.

Yoga for Beginners: 10 a.m. Jan. 21, adults and teens

Join Lois Gannon of evolve yoga studio in Ypsilanti as she leads a beginning Hatha yoga class. Interested parties should bring a yoga mat, if possible. Wear loose clothing. The third of four morning classes this month. Sign up at the Reference Desk or call (734) 326-6123. Space is limited.

Dinner and a Movie: "Eat, Pray, Love," 6:15 p.m. Jan. 21, adults and teens age 13 and up Join us for a new program

highlighting a recently released movie and dinner provided by a local restaurant. Tonight's feature film is "Eat, Pray, Love" starring Julie Roberts and Javier Bardem. Catering tonight is local Italian favorite, Marvaso's. Tickets cost \$10 per person and must be purchased in advance at the Circulation Desk.

Job Seekers Lab: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays, 5-8 p.m. Wednesdays and 1-4 p.m. Fridays. Have a question regarding formatting your resume, setting up an e-mail account, attaching your resume to an online application, searching for a job, or any other job-related activity? Stop by the library, where computers are set up specifically for job seekers. A librarian will be available to help. Drop in. No reservation needed.

**Drop-in Knitting Nights** @ the Library: 7 p.m. every Wednesday, Everyone welcome, including crocheters.

Chess Group: 7-8:45 p.m. Thursdays and 1-4 p.m. Saturdays

Like to play chess? Want to get better? Come to the library and play a couple of games. Bring your own board or use one of ours. Novices to Chess Masters are all welcome. No signup required.

Computer classes are offered all year long. Contact the library at (734) 326-6123 to find out more.

# First Step benefits from United's 'Cheer'

The employees of United Home Health Services really got into the spirit of the season by reaching deep in their pockets and donating \$300 worth of Walmart gift cards and \$300 worth of teenage appropriate clothing for First Step families.

First Step is a western Wayne County-Downriver organization which provides services for domestic violence and sexual assault victims and their families.

According to Kelly Byrne, communication specialist at United and coordinator for this year's project, the goal was to collect \$250 originally.

"Then the money just kept pouring in," she said. "Our staff was so generous and so passionate about our cause. It was fun to see how much we could collect. We are honored that we can help First Step's mission with these donations."

Every year United chooses a different local organization, group, or family to be the recipient of their "Holiday Cheer."

Theresa Bizoe, Associate Director at First Step, said the agency is grateful to UHHS for selecting them as the beneficiary of their donations this Holiday season.

"I was blown away by all the nice items and financial support that came from United's employees," she said. "We so appreciate their thoughtful gifts for our families."

United Home Health Services is a local not-forprofit, Medicare-certified home health agency located in Canton that has been serving the community for more than 27 years. It provides in-home skilled nursing, therapy, home health aide, social work, and registered dietitian services as well as caregiver and companion services including personal care, medication reminders and management, laundry, housekeeping, grocery shopping, meal prep, errands, and



Theresa Bizoe, associate director of First Step, Kelly Byrne, communication specialist at United Home Health Services and Anne Smith and Julie Flandt of First Step meet about United's "Cheer" donation.

transportation. United also offers geriatric care management and a specialized Alzheimer's/Dementia program.

For more information, call United at (734) 981-8820 or visit its website at www.uhhs. org.

First Step services include a 24-hour help line, 24-hour on-call assault response team, interim and transitional supportive housing, counseling, support groups, incourt victim advocacy, safety planning, and awareness and education. Its 24-hour help line is (734) 722-6800. For more information, visit First Step's website at www.firststep-mi.org.



Afternoon Movie Classics: 'The Apartment," 3 p.m. Jan. 18, adults and teens

Join us as we explore comedies on the American Film Institute's list of Top 100 movies over the past 100 years. Today's selection is "The Apartment" with Jack

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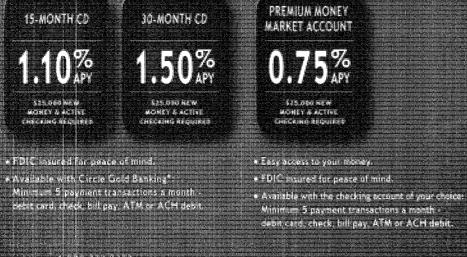
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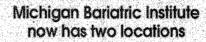


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# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

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Time/Date: noon-4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 6

Location: Ss. Simon and Jude Church, 32500 Palmer, west of Merriman, Westland

Details: The Ss. Simon and Jude Ushers Club will sponsor a Toys and Train Show at the church hall. Admission to the show is \$2 per person, \$4 per family. Food and beverages are available. Parking is free. There will be approximately 130 dealer tables available at \$10 each. Dealer setup is 9 a.m. the day of the show. Contact: To reserve a dealer table, call Norm at (734) 595-8327.

# NAMI Metro

Time/Date/Location: 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 23, at the St. Regis Parish School Campus in Bloomfield Hills and Thursday, Feb. 24, 2011 at Oakwood Heritage Hospital in Taylor. Details: NAMI's Families In Action (FIA) educational program is specifically for people with a loved one diagnosed with a mental illness. The workshop meets every week for 10 consecutive weeks, ending April 27 and 28 respectively. Facilitators who conduct the meetings are family members who have been trained by the Educational Committee of NAMI Michigan. The goal is to help families better understand mental illness, how it affects the family and what they can do to help. A nominal fee of \$20 per person or \$30 per couple will be charged at the time of registration. Families In Action is sponsored by NAMI Metro and funded in large part by the Oakwood Sewing Retreat Healthcare Foundation - Heritage Hospital

Contact: For additional information or to register for this program please call (248) 348-7197 or (734) 427-1435. Space is limited, so you must pre-register for this program.

## Fibromvalgia Group

Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. Thursday, Jan.

Location: Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman, south of Ford, Garden City

Details: Dr. Howard Schubiner from Providence Hospital and author of "Unlearn Your Pain" will be the guest speaker at the Metro Fibromyalgia and Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Support Group meeting. The group meets the second and fourth Thursday of each month at the church. There are no dues, but donations are accepted. Contact: (734) 981-2519; www. MetroFibroGroup.com Genealogical Society Meeting Time/date: 6:30 p.m. Monday, Jan.

Location: Livonia Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia Details: Learn about the best web sites and strategies to find your ancestors via the U.S. Census without leaving home during this meeting of the Western Wayne County Genealogical Society. Also, find out the different avenues of research necessary to pursue the complete picture of one's genealogy. Meetings are open to the public. Guests are always welcome.

Contact: www.rootsweb.com/ ~miwwcgs/

# New Hope Seminar

Time/Date: 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan.

Location: New Hope Center for Grief Support, 315 Griswold, Northville Details: Attorney Ron Thompson of Thompson-Platte will offer a legal perspective regarding the many issues someone might face when someone they love dies. These include minimizing tax consequences, dealing with decedent's creditors, methods to best protect surviving family members and the issues involving updating wills and trust. Seating is limited. Call to register.

Contact: (248) 348-0115

Time/Date: noon-5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 6

Location: Haberman Fabrics, 905 S. Main Street, Royal Oak. Details: Haberman Fabrics will hold its 14th annual Super Bowl Sunday "Football Widows Sewing Retreat."



# Wish You Were Here

Tony and Amanda Kilgore of Westland made sure they Had their Westland Observer with them when they took a one-day vacation at Cedar Pointe's Hallo-Weekends. "We decided to pose with our Westland Observer on one of the many rides that we enjoyed on our fun-filled fall weekend," they wrote. If you go on vacation, be sure to take a picture with your Observer and send it to Sue Mason as a jpg at smason@hometownlife.con or by mail to her attention at 615 W. Lafayette, Second Level, Detroit, MI 48226. Be sure to include your name and information about your photo.

New and experienced sew-ers of all ages are invited to join the party, laugh with friends, and learn how to make three sewing projects. Football fans will be home in time for parties and the game. Not a fan? You'll be set for a creative evening with your new projects. Also benefit for the Shades of Pink Foundation which provides temporary monetary assistance to breast cancer patients during their time of need, participants will get to meet Dr. Pamela Benitez, Beaumont Hospital surgeon and specialist in breast cancer treatment and prevention, and medical director of the organization. Advance registration is preferred and 100 percent of admission donations support the Shades of Pink Foundation. Admission is \$25 in advance or \$35 on Sunday, Feb. 6. Contact: For more information and secure registration, visit www. habermanfabrics.com or register by phone at (248)541-0010, on in person at Haberman Fabrics. Fish Dial-A-Ride

Details: Fish Dial-A-Ride of Western Wayne County is seeking volunteer drivers and phone messengers. Volunteer drivers, using their own vehicles, designate days, times, and areas they are willing to drive.

Volunteer phone messengers arrange client rides with our volunteer drivers one day each week from the comfort of their home. Fish Dial-A-Ride of Western Wayne County is a not-for-profit community service that provides free door-to-door rides to non-emergency medical and other necessary appointments for senior and disabled residents of Garden City, Livonia, and Westland who are unable to drive and have no alternative transportation. Contact: For more information, call (888) 660-2007 and leave a message.

## Earth Angels

**Details**: Earth Angels, a children's entertainment/ performance nonprofit group composed of kids ages 9 - 16 years old, is currently looking to fill spots. There's opening for girls ages 9 - 11, with at least two years of dance experience, and boys, ages 9 - 12 with no experience needed just an interest in performing. The group delivers a high energy show made up of choreographed dance routines spiced with theatrics and lip-synching to the great Oldies music of the '50s and '60s as well as some current fare.

**Contact:** www.earthangelsontour. org or by e-mail to eangel1986@ comcast.net

### **Higher Rock Cafe**

Time/date: 7:30 p.m. second and fourth Fridays of the month. Location: Wayne-Westland Salvation Army, 2300 Venoy, south of Palmer, Westland.

Details: Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Live bands perform beginning at 8 p.m. Admission is free, however, a free will offering will be taken to support the bands.

Contact: www.tsa.higherrockcafe.4t. com or call (734) 722-3660

# VOLUNTEERS

# **First Step**

Details: First Step, which has been active in the effort to end domestic violence and sexual assault in western Wayne 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 Downriver area and complete a 55hour training program. Contact: (734) 416-1111, Ext. 223

# **Drivers Needed**

**Details:** Volunteer drivers are needed to transport area residents to meetings of the Western Wavne Parkinson's Disease Support Group. The meetings take place 7-9 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month in the Livonia Senior Center, Farmington Road south of Five Mile. Drivers may be offered a stipend. Parkinson's patients, caregivers and others may attend the meetings. Contact: (734) 459-0216 or (734) 421-4208

# **VNA Hospice**

Details: Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan's (VNA) hospice program needs volunteers to comfort and support patients at the end of life. Volunteers can provide companionship, write a memoir, provide respite for family or work as office support. A free 18-hour training program is provided at the VNA headquarters, 25900 Greenfield Road, Suite 600. Registration is required.

Contact: (248) 967-8361, www.vna. org

# Seasons Hospice

Details: 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 community.

unteer tutors in Western Wayne County to help adults improve their reading, writing and communication skills. The CLC will provide 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. Details: Heartland Hospice is looking for caring and dedicated people nally ill patients and their families in Washtenaw, western Wayne, Monroe and Livingston counties. Volunteers provide a variety of services including companionship, light housekeeping, errand running, grief support

Location: Fellowship Hall at Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman, Garden City. Details: A SAFE PLACE is based on the Alcoholics for Christ program. **Contact**: Russ Weathers at (734) 422-1995

#### Adult Day Services

Time/Date: 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays Location: 570 S Main St., Plymouth

Detail: A structured weekday alternative for adults in need of supervision. Program provides activities and discussions to meet social, recreational and personal needs unique to dependent individuals Contact: Laurie Krause at laurie. lifecareads@gmail.com and (734) 956-2600

## Metro Fibromyalgia

Time/date: 1-3 p.m. Second and fourth Thursday of each month Location: Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman, just west of Ford in Garden City Details: The first meeting has a speaker, the second meeting is open to discuss living with our fibromyalgia.

Contact: Lucy at (734) 462-1768, www.MetroFibroGroup.com

# Menopause & More

Time/date: 7-9 p.m. the first course Wednesday of the month Location: Classroom 2 of the west addition of the Marian Women Center of St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia Details: A support group for women , no registration is necessary, and the group is free of charge. **Contact**: (734) 655-1100.

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Contact: (800) 370-8592 **Literacy Council** Details: The Community Literacy Council (CLC) is looking for vol-

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# LOCAL NEWS

# Dunkin Donuts, auto dealers team up to help families center

The Oakwood Center for **Exceptional Families in** Dearborn recently received a gift, courtesy of the Detroit **Auto Dealers Association** (DADA) and Dunkin Donuts.

The two organization teamed up on a fund-raiser that provided \$10,000 to the CEF, which serves families with children with multiple special needs throughout southeastern Michigan.

"I think they do a terrific job. I think it's impressive the family approach the center approach takes," said Nigel Travis, chief executive officer of Dunkin' Brands. "We're very pleased to support the program."

The Boston-based executive toured the CEF prior to presenting the check.

Throughout the month of November, Dunkin Donuts franchises sold special travel coffee mugs emblazoned with the CEF logo for \$3.99. For every mug sold, \$1 was donated to the CEF. Detroit auto dealers had a supply on hand and passed them out to customers along with Dunkin Donuts coupons. The DADA also made a contribution to



Vijay Patel (from left), Dunkin' Donut franchisee, Rod Alberts, executive director of the DADA, Nigel Travis. CEO of Dunkin' Brands, James Seavitt, president of the DADA and owner of Village Ford, and Qasim Khan, Dunkin' Donuts franchisee, were on hand to present a \$10,000 check to the Oakwood Center for Exceptional Families.

the fund-raiser, said James Seavitt, owner of Village Ford in Dearborn. He is the president of the DADA this year. Anyone who purchased

the mug can get unlimited coffee refills for 99 cents through the end of the North American International Auto Show, which returns through

Sunday, Jan. 23 at Cobo Hall. Vijay Patel, who owns Dunkin' Donuts franchises in Westland, Livonia, Dearborn Heights and Redford, said the promotion has been very successful.

"It worked out well," he said. "We've sold pretty much all of our inventory and received a lot of positive feedback."

Based in Dearborn, the CEF provides a wide variety of services to children with special needs and their families. Designed as a "one-stop shop" for social services, the children and their families receive anything from highquality health care to social support, counseling and more. One innovative program provided by the center is the Teens Take Over program, where facilitators and mentors help children with needs transition from their teen-aged years into adulthood. The program helps them deal with their needs and lead an independent life, said Tammy Morris, manager of the CEF.

Seavitt said he was particularly impressed with that program.

"I love what they're doing, with taking the kids at a young age and following them through to their teenage years www.oakwood.org/cef.

and adulthood," he said. "So many programs graduate the kids - or they're only there for a few years - and when they come out, they're left with nothing. This is a fabulous, self-contained program."

The CEF relies heavily on donations because many of their patients are uninsured or underinsured, yet nobody is turned away because of an inability to pay for the services there. Morris said grants and donations like the one provided by the DADA and Dunk Donuts were invaluable because they pay for services that otherwise might not exist.

Dr. Susan Youngs, the staff physician and director of the CEF, agreed.

"My greatest heroes are the children I treat-they're so brave. There's not a day that goes by that I don't cry with them or have a great big belly laugh with them. My other greatest heroes are the donors. We couldn't exist without the donors.'

For more information on the Oakwood Center for **Exceptional Families**, visit

# Toastmasters

Westland Easytalkers, club 6694, is hosting their semi-annual speech and evaluation contest 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 27 at the Bailey Recreation Center, 36651 Ford directly behind City Hall. Contests like this help members sharpen their speaking skills and leadership skills. Public is welcome and encouraged to attend.

# Bible talks

Bible Talks will be held at the Bailey Recreation Center in Westland at 4 p.m. Sundays, now through Feb. 13. Presenting, in simplicity, the truth as it is in Jesus Christ, no collections or literature. Evervone is welcome. Spaghetti dinner

The monthly spaghetti din-

ner at the Dyer Senior Center in Westland will be 4-7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 21. Enjoy spaghetti. salad and desert, as well as entertainment, for just \$6.

The center also has pinochle and bingo at 1 p.m. Wednesdays and pinochle is played at 1 p.m. Fridays.

The Dyer Center is at 36745 Marquette, east of Newburgh, in Westland. For more information, call (734) 419-2020.

# Romanowski VFW

The Sgt. Romanowski VFW 6896 has several events planned for the month of January.

On tap is Lic-O-Rama on 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22, a Corn-Hole Tournament with a cash prize for first place on Saturday, Jan. 22 - sign up at 6:30 p.m., tournament at 7 p.m. - and a Poor Man's

New Year's Eve Party at 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 29, sponsored by the Marine Corps and Veterans helping Veterans. The evening include a fried bologna and onions dinner, cash bar and raffles.

The events are open to the public. For more information, call the post at (734) 525-9454.

### Hockey Night

Mayor William Wild and the Westland Wild Wings will take on the Detroit Red Wing Alumni in an exhibition hockey game at 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26. Tickets go on sale on Jan. 15.

For sponsorship or ticket sale information, call (734) 722-7620 or send an e-mail to parks@cityofwestland.com.

All proceeds of the event will go to fund improvement to the Mike Modano Ice Arena.

# **AROUND WESTLAND**

# Hospice volunteers

**Compassionate Care Hospice** seeks caring, compassionate volunteers with big hearts to serve as patient visitors as well as volunteers to assist with clerical duties in its Canton office. Its service area includes the counties of Oakland, Monroe, Wayne, Washtenaw and Livingston.

Volunteers set their own schedules and typically donate one-two hours of their time per week.

**Compassionate Care Hospice** is a community-based hospice organization committed to the highest quality of hospice care for patients, their families and other loved ones. Volunteers receive training and on-going coaching, and social opportunities are available as well.

The next new volunteer orientation will take place 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22 and 29, at the Canton office, 5730 Lilley Road, Suite A. Contact Justine Galat, volunteer coordinator, by e-mail at jgalat@ cchnet.net or by calling (888) 983-9050 to request an interview.

### Surplus food pickup

The City of Westland has announced the day, times and locations for residents to obtain surplus federal food for the month of January. All residents north of Michigan Avenue can pick up their commodities 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20, at the Dorsey Community Center, 32715 Dorsey Road, north of

Michigan Avenue and south of Palmer.

Senior citizens living in Taylor Towers will pick up their food at Taylor Towers and must call their building manager for their day of distribution. Greenwood Villa residents also must pick up their food items at Greenwood Villa.

Food distributed for the month of January includes cherry apple juice, cranberry sauce, sliced potatoes, frozen ham, peas, mixed fruit, peanut butter, UHT milk and possible additional items. For questions, call the Dorsey Center's surplus food hotline at (734) 595-0366.

The program is administered by the Wayne County Office of Senior Services.

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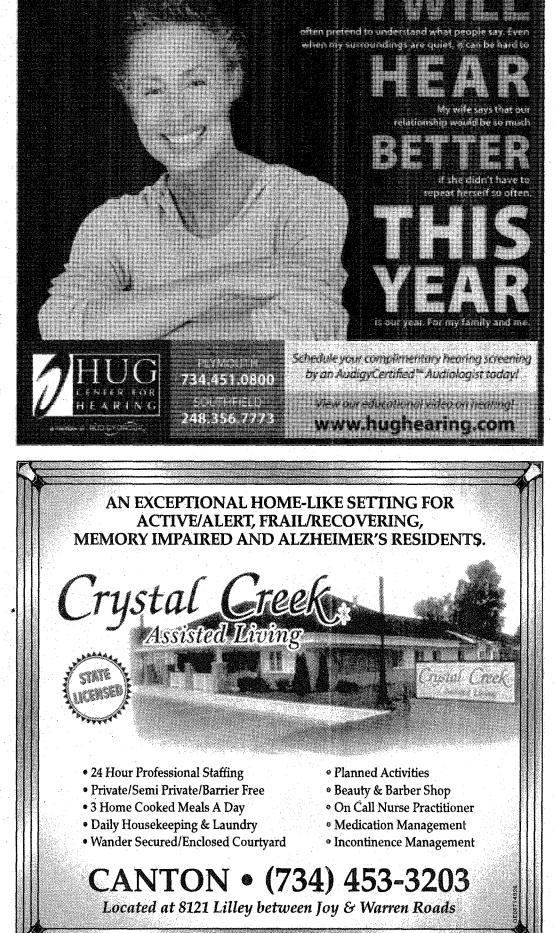
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# Remember – even cash income must be reported for taxation

Q: Dear Rick: We just got a surprise in the mail and I hope

you can help. My 15-yearold son did some child care work last summer. He did work for a few different families and he was paid. He was always paid in cash. We assumed

since he was being paid in cash that he wouldn't have any worries when it came to taxes. However, he recently received a 1099 for about \$5,000. Since he is only 15, does he have to worry about taxes? If yes, is there anything that we can do to minimize any taxes?

**Money Matters** 

**Rick Bloom** 

A: Unfortunately, your son's age really doesn't matter. Bottom line is the money is taxable. I know a lot of people believe if they receive cash, it is not taxable. That is not the case. It doesn't matter whether you receive a check or cash; that money is subject to income tax.

In analyzing your situation, since your son was not treated as an employee, he is considered self-employed. That means when you complete his 2010 tax return, report his earnings on Schedule C. There is a benefit to Schedule C, and that is he can deduct any expenses he had associat-

from his income. If he had any out-of-pocket expenses, he can deduct those on his Schedule C.

Even though you were surprised that he received the 1099 and has to report the money on his tax return, the tax consequences may be very insignificant. After all, when you factor in some of the deductions that he would be entitled to and what his bracket is, the tax consequences should be immaterial. That being said, I do believe there are a couple of distinct advantages to your son's situation.

The first deals with the fact that, if nothing more, he will learn a little bit about taxes at a young age. Unfortunately, there are too many people in our society that are clueless about taxes. Maybe the fact that your son has to pay at a young age will help him become more aware of taxes and how they work.

Because your son's income was generated from his labor, it is considered earned income. Earned income means that he is eligible to contribute money into an IRA. In your son's situation, I recommend a Roth IRA. Your son has the opportunity to invest a substantial amount of that money that will grow tax-free for as long as he chooses. I recognize that the last thing a 15-year-old is

ed with his child care services thinking about is retirement, however, this does provide him an opportunity. In fact, you can even consider some sort of matching program as an additional incentive.

> Just think how much an investment would be worth after growing tax-free for 50plus years. Remember, you have until April 15, 2011, to make a Roth IRA contribution for 2010.

> Opening an IRA for a minor does have some unique issues and not every IRA custodian allows them. However, most do. Some custodians, like TD Ameritrade, offer IRAs for minors with no minimum investment or annual fees. Charles Schwab & Co. also offers no fees, but has a \$100 minimum balance,

Opening a Roth IRA for a minor is a great opportunity and if you are eligible, consider doing so. Just think, if you invested \$1,000 in 1950, that investment would be worth more than \$70,000 today. In addition, if it was invested in a Roth IRA, you'd be able to withdraw all that money income tax-free. Good luck!

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. Observer & Eccentric readers can submit questions at moneymatters@hometownlife.com. For more information, visit Rick's Web site at www.bloomassetmanagement.com

# Madonna students in top 10 for chance to cover the Oscars

Two teams of student journalists from Madonna University are in the running to win a chance to report live from the red carpet at the 83rd Academy Awards in Hollywood.

The teams competed in a nationwide video submission contest sponsored by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences and mtvU, MTV's 24-hour college network. Based on the quality and originality of the videos submitted, judges selected 10 teams as semifinalists, three of which will be given a chance to compete in Hollywood for the grand prize of covering the Oscars.

"This is a pretty awesome honor for Madonna's Broadcast and Cinema Arts program - to have two teams make it to the top 10," said Chuck Derry, director of broadcast and cinema arts at Madonna University. "Both these teams have worked very hard on their submissions so it's great to see their work recognized," he said.

Madonna is the only Michigan university to have teams make the list of semifinalists. Each team consists of two members, a videographer and an anchor. The members of the winning teams from Madonna are Idamarie Tedesco of Clinton Township, who is the anchor, and Walid Jaward of Dearborn; and Sara Simnitch of Swartz Creek, anchor, and Adam Woloszyk of Plymouth.

"The process of scripting, shooting, editing, and most of all



Chuck Derry, director of broadcast and cinema arts major at Madonna, left, with students Walid Jaward and Idamarie Tedesco, top 10 finalists in the 2011 Oscars Correspondent Contest.



Top 10 finalists in the 2011 Oscars Correspondent Contest, Madonna University students Adam Woloszyk, left, and Sara Simnitch, right, along with Chuck Derry, director of broadcast and cinema arts major.

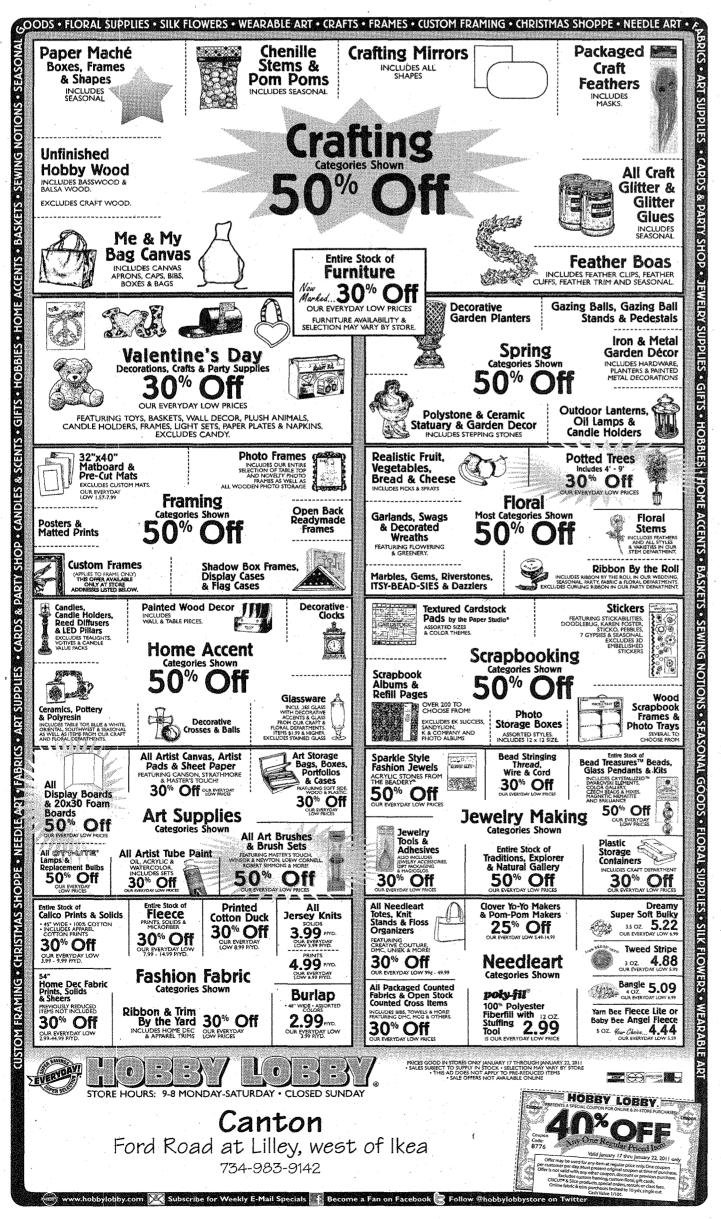
waiting to hear back from mtvU, was extremely rewarding," Tedesco said. "It's an amazing feeling to see your vision being created. If Walid and I were to win this contest, it would be the biggest honor and privilege to represent Madonna University, as well as the entire Detroit community. Film, entertainment and movies are a passion of mine, and having the experience to have both of my feet on the red carpet in the chaos and excitement of the Oscars would be nothing short of amazing."

The next phase of the process is online voting, which is open to the public through Jan. 28. Judges will use the online voting results to help choose three of the 10 semifinalists, who

credentials for access to backstage press rooms. The winning team's coverage will be aired on MTV News and mtvU, while the other two finalist teams will receive bleacher seats along the red carpet and admission to an Oscar viewing party.

"If we win, I will feel that all of our hard work paid off," said Woloszyk. "Being a small school, compared to the big campuses in the state, I am so proud to represent Madonna University in this contest."

Derry hopes that residents of Michigan will step forward to support these teams as they are the only finalists from the state, and Madonna University's enrollment is smaller than most of the schools represented in the



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> will be flown to Los Angeles to cover the Academy Awards preevents.

The grand prize-winning team will be revealed in Hollywood on Saturday, Feb. 26, at an Academy press conference. The anchor and videographer will be awarded a spot on the red carpet for the Oscar nominee arrivals, as well as



contest. Madonna teams may have a disadvantage in terms of numbers of possible voters, but "certainly not in the quality of their work," he said.

Said Jaward: "Winning this

competition would give my part-

ner and me the unique chance

to stand next to all of the people

that have inspired us from our

childhoods to make our career

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choices today. We would be greatly humbled and honored

# Free classes

Elements of Exercise is offering free classes at the Cambridge Center, 28901 Cambridge, and Garden City High School, 6500 Middlebelt, this week

Three classes are being offered at Cambridge, located at 28901 Cambridge. Try out Element's Zumba class Tuesday, Jan. 18, its Fat Burn and Sculpt Bootcamp at 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20, and its Lean and Mean Kettlebell at 7:10 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20.

A free Aqua Zumba class will be offered at 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 18 at the high school, 65000 Middlebelt north of Ford.

For more information, call Elements of Exercise at (888) 363-3635 or go online to www.elementsofexercise.com.

### Enrichment classes

Cambridge High School will be soon be offering evening enrichment classes in computer and career development, fitness, Super Sitter, dog obedience, cooking, sewing, quilting, crocheting and more.

For more information call Cambridge at (734) 762-8430.

### Passport to Africa,

In celebration of Black History Month, Wayne County Community College District's School of Continuing Education in partnership with The Michigan Citizen is presenting Passport to Africa 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 12, at the 1001 W. Fort St., Detroit.

The event will feature African cuisines, an authentic African marketplace, African music and dance, a Best African Attire contest, fashion show, storytelling and more.

To register for the program, call (313) 496-2704. A registration form also is available on the Garden City Public Schools' website, www.gardencityschools.com, under the superintendent's office in Files and Document. The form

can be mailed to the Wayne **County Community College** District, attn: School of Continuing Education, 801 W. Fort Street, Detroit, MI 48226 or faxed to (313) 962-1643.

### Senior Travel Show

Party Animal Travel will host a Senior Travel Show 2-4 p.m. today (Jan. 16), at the Maplewood Community Center, 31735 Maplewood, west of Merriman, Garden Citv.

Come and shop all of the new one-day and multi-day senior trips departing from Garden City. At this shopping market, seniors and adults can sign up for a series of trips for the spring, summer and fall. The afternoon also will provide seniors with discount coupons, free travel information and the chance to win a one-day get-away. Call (734) 525-9777 to

reserve a spot. Space is limited.

# **Hospice volunteers**

**Compassionate** Care Hospice seeks caring, compassionate volunteers with big hearts to serve as patient visitors as well as volunteers to assist with clerical duties in its Canton office. Its service area includes the counties of Oakland, Monroe, Wayne, Washtenaw and Livingston.

Volunteers set their own schedules and typically donate one-two hours of their time per week.

**Compassionate Care** Hospice is a community-based hospice organization committed to the highest quality of hospice care for patients, their families and other loved ones. Volunteers receive training and on-going coaching, and social opportunities are available as well.

The next new volunteer orientation will take place 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22 and 29, at the Canton office, 5730 Lilley Road, Suite A. Contact Justine Galat, volunteer coordinator, by email at jgalat@cchnet.net or by calling (888) 983-9050 to request an interview.

# Get flocked

Garden City High School's Project Graduation 2011 wants to make folks feel special by having their "cheerful flamingos" pay a visit have come to pay. They will typically stay only a few days, but they have been known to take flight early and land on a lawn of your choice for a small fee of \$15, which is less than what that special someone paid to flock you.

It's a chance to return the Flamingo Flocking Favor.

**Optional Flocking Insurance** is available to protect you from any future flockings. The policy amount is \$15 and good for the 2010-11 school year.

A word to the wise: Sometimes the flamingos have nothing to do and get bored, so, without notice they will take off for some random flocking. Again, the flamingos will only stay a few days, but when they act like that it's unclear how much fun they are having or how long they will stay.

You can insure a timely departure with a donation to Project Graduation. All Flocking Funds go to Support Garden City High School Project Graduation. Give PG's Flocking Specialists a call at (734) 612-5274 or (734) 904-3643 or send an e-mail to gardencityprojectgrad@yahoo. com

### New members

The Garden City Kiwanis Club of is recruiting new members to help provide assistance to the disadvantaged residents of our community - especially children – who are having a difficult time during this economic recession.

Founded in 1948, the Kiwanis Club of Garden City provides many community service projects each year including a "Baby Shower" for the Garden City Family

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Pursuant to state law a sale will be held at: Secured Self Storage, 12851 Inkster, Livonia, MI, January 29th, 2010 @ 10:00 a.m. #120 Michelle Hill

- #127 George Booker #233 Mandell Thomes
- #431 Salvatore Desanto
- #473 Joseph Gauvreau

# GARDEN CLIPPINGS

Resource Center, a continuing Food Pantry drive, the Trauma Doll Project for hospitalized children, and the Third Grade Dictionary Project.

The club meets at noon on Thursdays at Amantea's Restaurant on Warren Road at of books, videos and DVDs Venoy in Garden City.

Anyone who is interested in attending one of the luncheons or with questions about the club's community involvement can call Gary Simon at (734) 751-4101.

### Museum fund-raising

The Friends of the Museum are continuing their fund-raising efforts, selling engraved brick pavers and renting the Grande Parlour for social and business occasions

The bricks are \$50 for the 4-inch by 8-inch size that has up to three lines. The 8-inch by 8-inch bricks are \$75 and have room for up to six lines of text.

The Lathers General Store is open from noon to 3 p.m. Wednesdays and Saturdays, offering a variety of collectibles and gift items. Call (734) 838-0650 for more information or visit www.sfhonline. org.

# Free testing

As a service to the community, the staff of Garden City Hospital's Community Services offers blood pressure testing, free of charge, on a biweekly basis to senior citizens at the Maplewood Community Center, located on Maplewood iust west of Merriman. Testing will be available at 10:30 a.m. For more information, call (734) 458-4330.

# Office hours

Need to talk with Garden City Mayor Randy Walker? You'll find him Tuesdays at Garden City Hall. Walker will hold office hours 4:30-6 p.m. Residents can schedule an appointment by calling Administrative Assistant Margo Ciecierski at (734) 793-1660.

Monday of each month at Center, 31735 Maplewood, Garden City.

For residents who are unable to attend daytime office hours, Webb holds evening hours at 6 p.m. the fourth Monday of each month. The locations rotate throughout her district. Call

# **Donations sought**

Have a used video, book or DVD you looking to pass on? Well, consider donating it to the Garden City Library which is looking for donations in good condition. For more information, call the library at (734) 793-1830.

## Office hours

Wayne County Commissioner Diane Webb, D-Garden City, holds office hours in 9th District, which includes Dearborn Heights, Garden City, and Redford Township.

She holds office hours on the following days and times:

• 9:30 a.m. the third Monday of each month at the Berwyn Senior Center, 26155 Richardson, and at 11:30 a.m. at the Eton Senior Center, 4900 Pardee, Dearborn Heights.

• 10 a.m. the fourth Monday of each month at the Redford Community Center, 12121 Hemingway, in Redford Township.

• 11:30 a.m. the fourth the Maplewood Community

(313) 224-0930 to confirm the location of the evening office hours for the current month.

### Shop online

Help Garden City Schools support its staff and students whenever you shop at Amazon.com.

Simply follow the link at the bottom of the district's web site - www.gardencityschools.com. A portion of any resulting purchases will be returned to Garden City Public Schools. Products do not cost any more by using the link, and residents don't have to do anything more than click on the link to start shopping.

## Donations sought

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## Recycle for cash

Drop off used ink jet cartridges, cell phones, digital cameras and similar items at City Hall. Garden City Charities, a group formed by city staff, sends the items off to be recycled by Cartridges for Kids and gets cash in return. Money raised by Garden City Charities benefits local organizations.



# Councilperson

and special meetings is published for the year 2010.

WESTLAND CITY COUNCIL **RECORD OF ATTENDANCE** 

1/1/2010 - 12/31/2010

Pursuant to City of Westland Council Resolution No. 8-85-441,

the following record of attendance of Council members at regular

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Adam Hammons	27	27	100%	
Bill Johnson	27	<b>24</b>	89%	
Meriem Kadi	<b>27</b>	27	100%	
Michael Kehrer	27	27	100%	
Dewey K. Reeves	27	26	96%	
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## **CITY OF WESTLAND** NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

The Westland Police Department will conduct an online public auction of miscellaneous seized and forfeited items. The auction will begin on Thursday January 20, 2011 and end Thursday January 27th 2011. Interested persons should:

- visit http://shop.ebay.com/sellingking01/m.html
- 2. click on the "Auctions" tab
- in the right column, click on the "Click here for live 3. auctions!"

The following items can then be viewed and are offered for sale to the highest bidder:

Olympus Camera, Sony 46" lcd tv, Apple Mac Book Pro computer, Movado'Sapphire Synergy Mens watch, Intuos 4 Pro Pen tablet, PS3 160gb w/(2) PS3 controllers, Monster HDMI cables, Monster home theater power center, Dynex 32" lcd tv, Apple Magic wireless mouse, laptop bag, I Pod Touch 8gb, Apple notebook battery charger, Belkin micro charger for iphone & Ipod, silicone cases for Ipod touch, Diddy beats microphone/headset, IPod Nano 8gb, Xbox 360 game console w/3controllers, Xbox 360 games, PS3 games.

All items are sold in "as is" condition. Items may be deleted from this list at any time prior to the start of the auction.

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# Classes ready kids, adults for the stage

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The Inspire School of Theater Arts will hold registration for three new theater classes for children 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 29.

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Classes will begin on Saturday, Feb. 5, and run for 10 weeks, concluding with a class presentation open to the public.

The charge is \$20 per class or \$150, if paid at registration. Registration will be the Warren Road Light and Life Church, 33445 Warren Road, Westland. Class size is limited to 15. For more information, contact Len Fisher at inspire@inspiretheatre. com or at (734) 751-7057.

Classes available this semester include:

• Introduction to Theatre for Kids at 9:30 a.m. Saturdays. The class will teach children many of the basics of the stage while having hands-on fun. Students will receive instruction in stage directions, finding their voice, confidence in public speaking, interpreting roles, characterization, projection, as well as improvisation. This class will conclude with a class project presentation.

• Theatre for the Advanced Beginner at 11:15 a.m. Saturdays. The ten-week class is for students who have taken Introduction to Theatre. The course will build on the skills they have learned. The first six weeks will focus on building characters, tapping into emotion and "being real." The last four weeks will have the students working on the class project, a collection of fairy tales told with a new twist.

• Theatre for Homeschoolers at 11 a.m. Mondays and Tuesdays. The course will teach the many of the basics of the stage. Students will receive instruction in stage directions, finding their voice, confidence in public speaking, interpreting roles, characterization and projection, as well as improvisation. The class will conclude with a class project presentation.

• Introduction to Theatre for Adults at 7 p.m. Thursdays. Public speaking is one of the biggest stress producers for adults. This course will help adults gain confidence as well as teach theatre in a fun way. Participants will learn many of the basics of the stage and receive instruction in stage directions, finding their voice, confidence in public speaking, interpreting roles, characterization, projection, as well as improvisation.

All class schedules are subject to change. A second class for each group could be offered, if the need arises.

Inspire Theatre began in 2005 and has produced such plays as the Wizard of Oz, Father of the Bride, It's a Wonderful Life and multiple original productions, most written by Inspire Theatre founder Len Fisher. Fisher, who majored in theatre at Youngstown State and holds a degree from North Central University, has been involved in theatre most of his adult life. He has acted, produced, written, and directed more 50 productions and has directed children and adults both professionally and on the community level.

Inspire Theatre is housed in the Warren Road Light and Life Church, where it rents space. For more information visit the Inspire Theatre website at www. inspiretheatre.com. A graduate of the Wayne-Westland Community Schools' William D. Ford Career Technical Center will represent the United States

in London, England, in the CNC Turning competition in the WorldSkills Competition. Maxwell Hershey of Wayne, a



Wayne, a Hershey second year

student at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, will compete as a member of the United States WorldTeam at the 41st international event Oct. 5-8.

Every two years, hundreds of young people from 53 member countries or regions compete in the prestigious WorldSkills Competition. Considered "the best of the best," these contestants compete for four days in 45 occupational skill areas from economic sectors, including manufacturing, information technology, transportation, construction and services.

W-W grad competes in WorldSkills competition

Accompanied by their teachers, trainers and industry technical committee experts, the young people compete before the public in contests that are run and judged by industry using demanding international standards.

"I've always been told by my family and teachers that I can do anything I want as long as I put my mind to it," said Hershey. "I currently work at a stamping and fastener company and I continue my love of machining every day. Participating in the WorldSkills Competition is a dream come true. Joining SkillsUSA is the best decision I've ever made. I am looking forward to competing against other kids from all around the world.

Hershey is a member of SkillsUSA, the organization that represents the United States in the WorldSkills Competition. There will be a total of 22 members of WorldTeam. Other occupational areas in which the United States will compete include autobody repair, automotive service, beauty therapy, bricklaying, cabinetmaking, car painting, CNC milling, cooking, graphic design, hairdressing, IT/PC networking, mechatronics, mobile robotics, offset printing, plumbing, refrigeration, restaurant service, web design and welding.

and welding. He earned the right to be a member of WorldTeam by winning local, district and national contests in CNC Turning in the SkillsUSA Championships. Competitors in WorldSkills must be under the age of 23.

Over its 60-year history, WorldSkills International, formerly known as the Skill Olympics, has come to symbolize the pinnacle of excellence in vocational training. It provides a unique means of exchange and comparison of world-class competency standards in the industrial trades and service sectors of the global economy.

This year, in London, more than 1,000 competitors will test their skills. Five thousand international experts, delegates and judges will gather from around the world, and 3,000 volunteers will be recruited to assist in the event. A total of 150,000 student and public spectators will attend the competition ExCeL London.

**ABOUT SKILLSUSA** 

SkillsUSA is a national partnership of students, teachers and industry. SkillsUSA chapters help students preparing for careers in technical, skilled and service occupations to excel. It provides quality education experiences for students in leadership, teamwork, citizenship and character development and builds and reinforces selfconfidence, work attitudes and communications skills.

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Scott R. Tuggle of Westland has been promoted to the rank of sergeant in the Michigan Army National Guard. He is a power generator repair specialist with the Detroit-based

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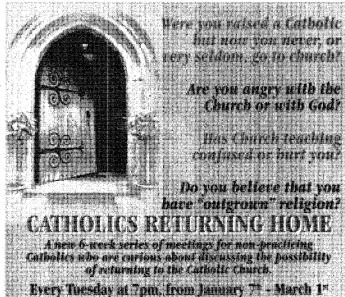
force. During his military career, Tuggle has received numerous awards, including the Purple Heart, Combat Action Badge, Army Commendation Medal and Army Achievement Medal.

Forward Support Company. He has been a member of the Michigan National Guard for six years.

Tuggle, who attended basic training in 2005 at Fort Jackson, S.C., is a 2007 veteran of Operation Iraqi Freedom. During his tour, he served as a driver in a convoy security In civilian life, Tuggle holds a certificate as an industrial electrician and is working towards an associate's degree in plant maintenance from Henry Ford Community College. He is the son of Gary and

Cyndi Tuggle of Westland.





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# STEVENSON'S DEFENSE DIFFERENCE VS.

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**ONE ACT FESTIVAL COMMUNITY LIFE, B6** 

the Rockets. "We lost com-

posure early and never got it

back. That's a credit to them

and a credit to their hustle

and everything. The good

news is that we get to play

again. The bad news is if we

play the same way, we'll get

improve."

respectively.

anything.

the same result, so we have to

The Zebras did not have

anybody score in double fig-

ures with Dezmond Burleigh

ting eight and seven points,

too much more than any-

thing," Schuette said. "Not

doing the things we practice

all day, all week and all sea-

son. We get here and we just

didn't make things happen

the way we're supposed to."

But it was lapses on the

defensive end which per-

plexed Schuette more than

"It's a third of their points –

11 'threes," he said. "I'd like to

Please see GLENN, B2

"We were standing around

and Thomas White get-





Moore's 42 wasted

You couldn't ask for anything Moore, but it wasn't quite enough Wednesday as the visiting Schoolcraft College men's basketball team fell to MCCAA Eastern **Conference co-leader Henry Ford** Community College, 100-96.

Karl Moore, a 6-foot-6 forward from Academy of Oak Park, scored a game-high 42 points and grabbed 13 rebounds as the Ocelots dropped to 6-11 overall and 0-4 in the conference.

Henry Ford (11-7, 5-0) led by as many as 22 points before the Ocelots stormed back late, only to come up short.

**Reshardd Harris added 14** points and six rebounds, while Daniel Hill (Wayne Memorial) contributed 12 points and five boards for Schoolcraft, which trailed 53-39 at halftime.

Mohamed Elhaj also dished out 10 assists.

Jamie Stewart, a 6-4 swingman from Livonia Clarenceville bound for Montana State, paced the victorious Hawks with 25 points.

Christian Moon and Kyle Gupton each added 18 points, while Asaab Robinson contributed 16.

Henry Ford made 35-of-44 free throws on the night (79.5 percent), while Schoolcraft hit 12of-18 (66.6 percent).

# Lady Ocelots roll

Kimberly Bee's 20 points and 19 rebounds powered the ninth-ranked Schoolcraft College women's basketball to its sixth straight victory Wednesday with an 83-55 triumph over host Henry Ford Community College.

It was Bee's 16th doubledouble of the season as the Lady Ocelots improved to 14-3 overall and 4-0 in the MCCAA's Eastern Conference.

Other Schoolcraft players scoring in double figures included

**OBSERVER STAFF PHOTO** 

Wayne's Dezmon Burleigh (4) gets squeezed going to the basket by Glenn defender Kelly Maxwell during Friday's KLAA South Division encounter.

# It's no contest Glenn's triples sink rival Wayne Memorial, 77-25

BY BRAD EMONS **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER** 

The normally fierce boys basketball rivalry between Westland John Glenn and Wayne Memorial proved to be a surprising mismatch Friday night.

Host Glenn never gave the Zebras a chance after roaring out to a 19-0 lead en route to a convincing 77-25 triumph.

Glenn led 26-6 after one quarter and invoked a running clock at the end of the third quarter to improve to 6-1 overall and 3-0 in the KLAA's South Division.

The Rockets also made 11 three-pointers on the night and shot a blistering 52.7 percent (29-of-55) from the floor.

Sophomore guard Nick Daniels led a balanced Glenn scoring attack with 12 points.

"We're capable because we have guys that can shoot," Glenn coach Dan Young said of the three-point barrage. "We keep selling sharing the ball. If you have a good shot,

shoot it. But if another guy has better shot - pass it. It's a read and recognition type thing every day. The guys are trying to do what we're asking them to do and it's been successful. It's a proven formula and it helps our defense when we take good shots." Desmond Cervera came off

the bench to added 10, while Aveon Simmons contributed eight. Brothers Eric Covile and Christian Covile, transfers from Detroit Cody, added seven and six, respectively.

"Christian is a senior and a very important piece to this, but Eric (Covile) has a bright future," Young said. "He's a junior, he's left-handed and has a great body. That was nice that he got an opportunity to get some things done tonight and get some more minutes.'

Wayne (1-6, 0-3) missed its first 11 shots to start the game and went scoreless in the final quarter.

"They're very good," Wayne coach Mike Schuette said of

Lady Rockets keep humming

BY BRAD EMONS **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER** 

The unbeaten Westland John Glenn girls basketball team has rarely been challenged this season.

Rival Wayne Memorial was the latest victim of the stateranked Rockets, who cruised to a 65-11 win Friday night at home as part of a girls-boys doubleheader.

executed our offense the way we were talking about."

The 40-point running clock was invoked with 2:25 left in the third quarter on a three-pointer by Gordon-McClain.

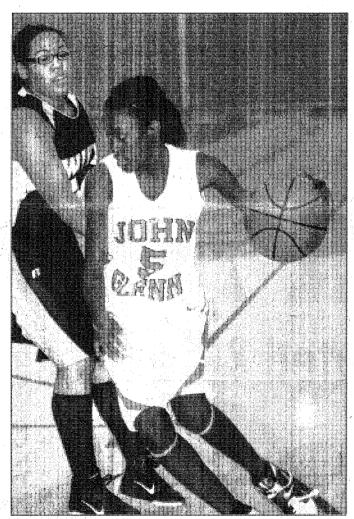
"As a team we're getting better," Anderson said. "We're sharing. You see a lot of unselfish play right now and I think that's going to be important going into our next couple of games."

The Zebras (3-5, 0-3) got five

gible Tuesday at home against Plymouth before taking on Canton in a battle of stateranked teams Friday at home.

Massey, a key reserve last year in Renaissance's run to the state Class A finals, is expected to jump right into the starting lineup.

"We've been running a lot of our starting offense with her already included in practice, so hopefully she'll come in



Junior Erica Covile, a transfer from Detroit Cody, was one of four Glenn players to score in double figures with a game-high 15 points.

Freshman point-guard Kaira Barnes tallied 13 of her 14 in the opening half as Glenn opened up a 39-9 advantage.

Senior forward Andrea Gordon-McClain and junior Abbey Wright chipped in with 11 and 10, respectively, as Glenn improved to 8-0 overall and 3-0 in the KLAA's South Division.

"We didn't have a letdown," Glenn coach Mark Anderson said. "I thought we started off a little slower than I liked for us to start off, but we were aggressive. We put pressure on Wayne. We

points from Sierra Smith. And what kind of impression did the Rockets leave on Wayne

coach Leslie Williams? "They appear to be condi-

tioned, they play together and they have some talented players," she said. "But I'm a competitor and I'll never accept defeat in the manner that we took it tonight. I think we could have played better. I think we could have played harder. I think we could have hustled a little bit more. I think we could have done more with our shots. I think we should have been a little bit closer."

Glenn, meanwhile, will have 6-foot Detroit Renaissance transfer Joslyn Massey eli-

and we'll still have this continuity that we have right now going," Anderson said. "She'll fit in. She's a great athlete. She'll do well. She'll be a post player - around the basket. On some occasions we'll step her out around the perimeter and let her face up and let her put the ball on the floor and get back to the basket."

Meanwhile, Williams foresees a competitive game when Glenn faces off against Canton. (Wayne lost to Canton last week, 67-17.)

"I think it's going to be a contest," she said. "They've prepared themselves to play each other."

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OBSERVER STAFF PHOTO

John Glenn's Stephany Brown (5) is guarded by Wayne Memorial's Ashley Bland during Friday's KLAA South Division encounter.

# White brothers land in different gridiron destinations

#### BY BRAD EMONS

**OBSERVER STAFF WRITER** Once teammates who

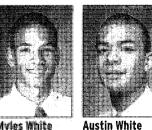
helped Livonia Stevenson reach the 2007 Division 1 state championship game, the White brothers have now gone their separate ways.

Myles White, who spent two seasons as a wide receiver at Michigan State, signed last month with Louisiana Tech after playing last fall

for Northwest Mississippi Community College, where he ranked sixth nationally in the NJCAA with 53 receptions to go along with 712 yards and six touchdowns.

And last week, second-year Central Michigan University head football coach Dan Enos also announced the addition of running back Austin White to the Chippewas' roster. Meanwhile, Mitchell White

(Myles' twin) just completed



**Myles** White

his third year as a walk-on cornerback and special teams player at MSU. The 6-foot-1, 170-pounder appeared in all

13 games with one start (vs. Iowa), making 10 tackles for the 11-2 Spartans and co-Big Ten champions.

Myles was redshirted his freshman year (2008) at MSU and appeared in six games during the 2009 season to earn his first letter.

But he was removed from the team by after being sentenced by a Lansing court to probation following his involvement in the Rather

Hall dormitory incident in November 2009.

Myles White then transferred to Northwest Mississippi and helped the Rangers to a 9-1 record last fall with four 100-yard plus receiving games. He was named to the MACJC first team All-State and NJCAA All-Region 23.

The prep track standout

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Shanequa Braggs (15), Cameo Kendrick (14) and Shawnicka Thomas (10).

**Diamond Tolliver dished** out six assists, while Shealica Grandberry and Braggs added five each. Tolliver and Grandberry each had four steals.

Schoolcraft jumped out to a 17-2 advantage and led 41-18 at halftime to earn its 78th Eastern Conference win in its last 81 games.

Jasmine Johnson scored a game-high 24 points for the Hawks (1-12, 0-5), while Nyah McReynolds (Westland John Glenn) added 11 points and 11 rebounds.

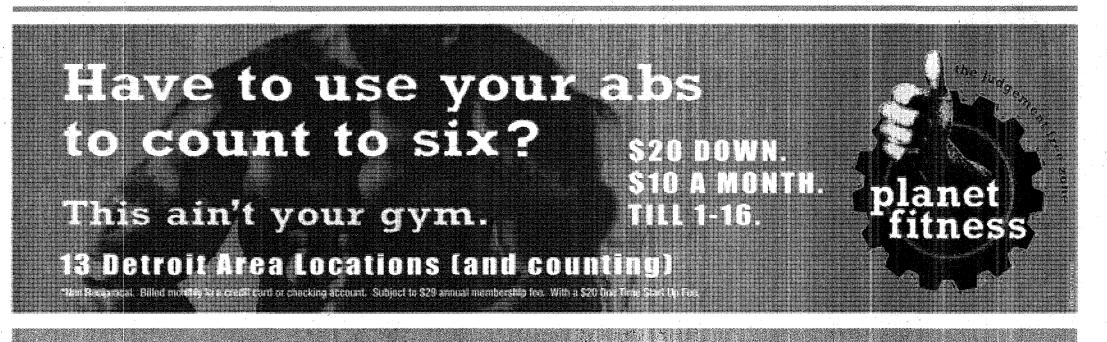
# Flip for a Cure

Pink will be the dominant color for the third annual Flip for a Cure gymnastics meet featuring rivals Livonia Blue vs. Livonia Red, starting at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at **Churchill High School.** 

Proceeds from a bake sale along with accepted donations will go toward breast cancer research.

Livonia Blue, coached by Lisa Fierk, is off to a 2-0 start following a 134.50-131.40 victory Wednesday night at home vs. Huron Valley.

Livonia Red, coached by Kelly Grodzicki, now stands 4-2 overall following a 130.25-129.30 triumph Wednesday at Birmingham Groves.



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# Stevenson's defense difference vs. Rocks

# Franklin, C'ville triumph

Livonia Stevenson got defensive in the second half and it resulted in a 42-30 **KLAA** Central Division girls basketball win Friday night at Salem

Junior guard Molly Knoph led a balanced Stevenson scoring attack with 11 points, while junior guard Jorden York added eight.

The Spartans led 21-17 at halftime and held the Rocks to 13 second-half points.

"They got a good talking to at halftime and they came out intense the second half," said Stevenson coach Jen Knoph, whose team improved to 7-1overall and 3-0 in the division.

Heidi Schmidt led Salem (3-6, 2-1) with 10 points, while Brianna Berberet added seven. Stevenson hit 14-of-23 free

throws on the night, while Salem made only 4-of-12.

FRANKLIN 48, CHURCHILL 33: Senior guard Chelsea Williams poured in a game-high 22 points Friday as host Livonia Franklin (3-5, 1-2) stopped Livonia Churchill (1-7, 0-3) in a KLAA South Division game.

Jessica Emery added eight points for the Patriots, who jumped out to a 14-2 first-quarter lead.

Sydney Anderson and Nicole Salloum each scored nine for the Chargers.

Franklin was 10-of-13 from the foul line, while Churchill hit 6-of-12

**CLARENCEVILLE 46, CLAWSON** 46: On Friday, sophomore Ashley Murphy had 12 points, 11 rebounds and three steals to propel host Livonia

# **GIRLS HOOPS**

Clarenceville (3-6) to a victory over the visiting Trojans.

Senior guard Jenna Burgess contributed 12 points and five rebounds for Clarenceville, which outscored Clawson 14-0 in the third period after trailing 26-24 at intermission.

Alli Costine scored a game-high 15 points for Clawson.

Clarenceville was only 2-of-, 14 from the foul stripe, while Clawson hit 11-of-16.

**ROEPER 43, LUTHERAN WESTLAND** 31: Amanda Terranella's gamehigh 19 points and eight rebounds went in vain Friday as Lutheran High Westland (1-7, 0-4) fell to host Birmingham Roeper (2-7, 1-2) in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division game.

Terranella was 7-of-14 from the floor and 5-of-6 from the foul line, but the Warriors couldn't

overcome a 32-13 halftime deficit.

Willina Cain and Alia Raheem scored 17 and 11 points, respectively, for the Roughriders, who shot 13-of-18 from the foul stripe.

LUTH. SOUTH 37, HURON VALLEY 29: Molly Roebke scored 13 points Friday as host Newport Lutheran South (1-2 MIAC Red) downed Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (0-5, 0-3).

Katie Nell and Dayna Schroeder led the Hawks, who trailed 19-13 at halftime, with nine and seven points, respec-

ANNAPOLIS 62, CLARENCEVILLE 38: Justina Williams and Jalissa Williams tallied 21 and 19 points, respectively, to lead Dearborn a victory Tuesday at Livonia

# BROTHERS

at Stevenson also received offers from Utah State, Troy State, Memphis, Arkansas State and New Mexico State. He was among seven JUCO transfers signed recently by second-year Louisiana Tech coach Soony Dykes.

"Myles has pretty well-developed skills, knows how to release, use his hands," Dykes told the The News Star of Monroe, La. "He's probably further along than some of the guys we've got."

Meanwhile, Austin White signed with the University of Michigan last winter, but was removed from the roster in August during preseason drills. No official reason was given by coach **Rich Rodriguez.** 

The 6-foot, 190-pounder had been one of the players forced by Rodriguez to wear a wingless helmet to earn his way into the coaches' good graces during fall camp.

Austin White is enrolled at CMU for the spring semester and will participate in spring practice. But NCAA transfer requirements will prevent him from playing in games for CMU during the 2011 season. He can continue to practice with the team during the 2011 season and will have three years of eligibility remaining, beginning with the 2012 season.

Austin White posted three consecutive 1,000yard rushing seasons at Stevenson. He ran for 1,494 vards and 21 touchdowns as a senior in 2009, 1,610 yards and 28 TDs as a junior and 1,606 yards and 30 TDs as a sophomore.

Enos also announced that Ithaca quarterback Alex Niznak, who guided the Yellowjackets to a 14-0 record and a Division 6 state championship, is also enrolled after graduating early.

"We're obviously very excited to have Alex and Austin as members of our football program," Enos said. "They are both very talented individuals and are the type of young men we want to have in our program."

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tell people we were outplayed, but we were schooled tonight. We didn't hustle. We were schooled in attitude. We were schooled in coaching. There's not one phase in the game of basketball that we didn't go to school and learn from them."

Meanwhile, Young like the way his team prepared for its rival opponent.

"We played very hard," he said. "We constantly talk about if we practice well, we'll play well. That's another thing we continue to talk about, and it's true. If you study hard you'll do well on the test. That's what we keep talking about."

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Spartans slip by Rocks in OT; Patriots get best of Churchill

Livonia Stevenson pulled off the great escape Friday, rallying in the second half to down host Salem in overtime, 65-59.

That improves the Spartans' overall boys basketball record to 6-1 overall and 3-0 in the KLAA's Central Division.

Senior guard C.J. Mwila, who made two key plays during the final 55 seconds of regulation play, scored a game-high 24 points to go along with nine assists.

He scored a basket and set up Jalen Reynolds for the game-tying hoop to send the game into overtime at 53-all.

Reynolds, a 6-foot-9 senior center headed to Xavier University, finished with 21 points and 14 rebounds. Junior guard Jonathan Campbell chipped in with 15 points.

Salem (6-2, 1-2) got 23 points, including four triples, from 6-2 junior guard Tyler Stewart. The Rocks also got 11 points from Grant Bettner.

Salem led 28-21 at halftime and 37-32 after three quarters before the Spartans went on a 21-16 fourth-quarter run.

The Rocks, who missed the potential game-winning shot at the end of regulation. were outscored 12-6 in the four-minute OT. Stevenson was only 11-of-21 from the foul

stripe, while Salem hit 6-of-11.

The Spartans and Novi (8-0, 3-0) will

square off Tuesday in a battle for first place in the KLAA Central. (Game time is 7 p.m. at Stevenson).

"We played undisciplined and we have to right the ship before Novi or we're in for a rude awakening," Stevenson coach Mike Allie said. "I wanted to also say that Bob Brodie (Salem's coach) does a heck of a job and gets the most out of his players.

FRANKLIN 39, CHURCHILL 34: It was a low-scoring affair Friday as Livonia Franklin (1-7, 1-2) earned its first win of the season with a KLAA South Division triumph at Livonia Churchill (0-8, 0-3).

Junior guard Tommy Smith finished with a game-high 13 points - all coming in the first half - to lead the Patriots.

Josh Dillard paced Churchill with nine points.

Churchill scored only 12-of-47 from the floor (25.5 percent), including 6-of-22 from three-point range. The Chargers were 4-of-10 from the free throw line.

Franklin made only 10-of-40 from the floor (25 percent) and 10-of-17 free throws.

"We've been holding teams to 39 points or less, but you can't shoot like that and expect to win," Churchill coach Jim Solak said. "You can't fault our kids' effort. They're playing defense."

LUTHERAN WESTLAND 41, ROEPER 38: Senior Marc Rosin tallied a game-high 15 points and senior Micah Reum came off the bench to score all eight of his points in the second half to key Lutheran High Westland (2-5, 1-3) to a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division win Friday at Birmingham

We tightened up a little bit, but we made plays when we had and this can build some confidence for us," said Lutheran High Westland coach Doug Haller, whose team led 21-18 at halftime and 35-28 after three guarters

Jack Gorland, a 6-foot-6 center, led the Roughriders and all scorers with 18 points. Roeper was 12-of-24 from the foul line,

while the Warriors went 0-for-4.

MIAC Red Division win Friday over visiting

Andy Barber scored six points for the Hawks, who trailed 9-7 at halftime and was

The Hawks shot only 14.2 percent from the floor (6-of-42).

Roeper (0-5, 0-3).

LUTHERAN SOUTH 33, HURON VALLEY 13: JacobDiroff scored a game-high 14 points as Newport Lutheran South (3-5, 1-2) earned the

Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (0-6, 0-3).

outscored 16-2 in the third quarter.

"It was a helpless feeling," Huron Valley

coach Jim Ott said of his team's shooting woes.

with 14 points.

tively.

Heights Annapolis (7-2) to Clarenceville (2-6).

Jenna Burgess led the Trojans, who fell behind 18-4 after one quarter and 32-10 at halftime.

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# **Flying high**

The Wayne-Westland Blackhawks, an under-14 boys soccer team, finished first in their division last fall with a 7-0-1 record while outscoring their opponents 44-3. Members of the team include (front row, from left): manager Connie Slack, Robert Whicker, Cory Frigerio, Daniel Oliver, Douglas Chuong, Jeff Andrews, Aaron Blanchard, Jeremy Billings; (back row, from left) head coach Steve Blanchard, Christian Davis, Nick Tieppo, Matt Slack, Haley Lutz, Jay Engleri, Carter Parendo and assistant coach Steve Frigerio. (Also pictured in the front row is Jasmine Wells.)

# **BOYS SWIM RESULTS**

# DUAL MEET RESULTS LIVONIA STEVENSON 96 NOVI 90 Jan. 13 at Stevenson

Jan. 13 at Stevenson 200-yard medley relay: 1. Stevenson (John Ferrara, Jake McNamara, Kellen Schoff, Adam Ferrara), 1:42,98. 200 freestyle: 1. Schoff (LS), 1:48.07. 200 individual medley: 1. Joon Chung (N), 2:01.72; 3. McNamara (LS), 2:08.05. 50 freestyle: 1. Brandon Bielicki (LS), 23.46; 2. A. Ferrara (LS), 24.43. 1-meter diving: 1. Derek Kim (N), 208.65 points); 2. Jessee Damesworth (LS), 166.25; 3. Eric Rathgerber (LS), 149.92. 100 butterfiv: 1. Schoff (LS), 55.01

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 100 butterfly: 1. Schoff (LS), 55.01.
 100 freestyle: 1. Andrew Ao (N), 50.86; 2.
 Brandon Bielicki (LS), 51.93.
 500 freestyle: 1. J. Ferrara (LS), 4:59.82;
 Droude Charler (US), 54312.

Brendon Stanisz (LS), 5:13.12. 200 freestyle relay: 1. Stevenson (McNamara, A. Ferrara, Evan Shatter, Brandon Bielicki), 1:35.11.

**100 backstroke:** 1. J. Ferrara (LS), 56.91; . Shayne Battjes (LS), 1:02.96. 100 breaststroke: 1. Chung (N), 1:00.16;

3. McNamara (LS), 1:04.93 400 freestyle relay: 1. Stevenson (Brandon Bielicki, A. Ferrara, J. Ferrara, Schoff), 3:23.07; 3. Stevenson (Shatter, Stanisz, Bradley Bielicki, Jack Hiltz), 3:39.99,

Stevenson's dual meet record: Stevenson, 3-0 overall, 2-0 KLAA Central Division.

# LIVONIA CHURCHILL 116 LIVONIA FRANKLIN 59 Jan. 13 at Churchill

200-yard medley relay: 1. Churchill (Brad Johns, David Vincentini, Kenny Denstaedt, Brandon Saltzmann), 1:58.9; 2. Churchill (Jared Quick, Jason Hodges, Jackson Norwood, Jochua Masardi), 2:10

3. Churchill (Thomas Nawrocki, Matthew Stevens, Patrick Dahlin, Ryan Soules), 2:37.95.

2.37.95. 200 freestyle: 1. Derik Atzinger (LC), 2:03.35; 2. Michael Sessaman (LC), 2:23.52; 3. Erik Vingsness (LC), 2:31.02. 200 individual medley: 1. Vincentini 0.0244 Att Market (Market 2007)

(LC), 2:13.04; 2. Alex Herrick (LF), 2:37.68; 3. Chris Wurster (LF), 2:54.63.

**50 freestyle:** 1. Brandon Larkins (LF), 23.68; 2. Denstaedt (LC), 26.25; 3. Linus

Ziemba (LC), 26.6. **1-meter diving:** 1. Alan Robinson (LC), 169.43; 2. Stevens (LC), 96.23. **100 butterfly:** 1. Johns (LC), 1:10.23; 2.

Sessaman (LC), 1:16.8; 3. Nick deLorme (LF),

1.25.9. 100 freestyle: 1. James Fite (LF), 1:01.27; 2. Quick (LC), 1:03.93; 3. Elliott Preston (LF),

500 freestyle: 1. Saltzmann (LC), 6:47.15; 2. deLorme (LF), 7:02.87; 3. lan Clemens (LC),

200 freestyle relay: 1. Churchill (Vincentini, Sessaman, Ziemba, Atzinger), 1:46.45; 2. Franklin (Fite, Wurster, Ethan Fogle, Elliott), 1:56.75; 3. Churchill (Vingsness, Jason Hodges, Matt Soules, Daniel Saltzmann), 2:00.7.

100 backstroke: 1. Larkins (LF), 57.71; 2. Johns (LC), 1:04.31; 3. Quick (LC), 1:13.07, 100 breaststroke: 1. Herrick (LF), 1:20.13; 2. Hodges (LC), 1:22.48; 3. Wurster (LF), 1:21.04

1:31.94 13194. 400 freestyle relay: 1. Churchill (Vingsness, B. Saltzmann, D. Saltzmann, Sessaman), 4:26.02; 2. Churchill (M. Soules, Quick, Patrick Dahlin, Clemens), 4:47.46; 3. Franklin (Wurster, Neil Culbertson, deLorme,

Fogle) 5-12 25 Dual meet records: Churchill, 1-3 overall, 1-1 KLAA South Division; Franklin, O-2 overall, O-2 KLAA South.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

# **PREP BOWLING RESULTS**

WAYNE MEMORIAL 22

WAYNE MEMORIAL 22 CANTON 8 Jan. 11 at Super Bowl Wayne scorers: Elliot Arnold, 247-235-482; Zack Huffman, 203-200-403; Scott Franklin, 200-159-359; Jeremy Brown, 199-160-359; Tony Lave, 167; Matt Mikulec, 151. Team totals: 1,016-905-1,921 (18 points). Baker games: Canton, 162-213-376 (6 points); Wayne, 191-159-350 (4 points). Wayne's dual match record: 5-0 overall, 4-0 KLAA Central Division.

4-0 KLAA Central Division. GIRLS DUAL MATCH RESULTS PLYMOUTH 23 LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 7

LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 7 Jan. 12 at Westland Bowl Plymouth scorers: Caitlyn Webb, 185-194-389; Mackenzie Carlson, 165-202-367; Tiffani Patterson, 138-133-271; Jessica Cullen, 132; Emily Fraser, 119; Ashley Mikolaiczik, 112; Allyson Gibbs, 106. Team totals: 732-754-1,486 (17 points); Baker cames: 159-153-312 (6 points); B

games: 159-153-312 (6 points). Clarenceville scorers: Bridget Moricz.

Clarenceville scorers: biruge: moricz, 186-214-400; Kaycee Chappell, 119-136-255; Natalie Kay-Flaherty, 109-108-217; Casey O'Rourke, 94; Katie Rogers, 85; Nikki Iuliano, 82. Team totals: 590-644-1,234 (3 points); Baker games; 159-153-312 (6 points), Dual match records: Plymouth, 5-2 oursell: Clarenceville, 0-6 overall.

NORTHVILLE 16.5 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 13.5 Jan. 12 at Westland Bowl

Northville scorers: Kristen Muzzillo, 200-172-372; Haley Ferrario, 159-161-320; Allison Sugiyama, 147-173-320; split score, 134-148-282; Lisa Rice, 221; Nicole Stoner, 141. Team totals: 861-795-1.656 (16,5 points);

Baker games: 148-122-270 (0 points).

overall: Clarenceville, 0-6 overall.

**BOYS DUAL MATCH RESULTS** WAYNE MEMORIAL 16 SALEM 14 Jan. 12 at Westland Bowl Wayne scorers: Elliot Arnold, 267-268-535; Scott Franklin, 214-247-461; Jeremy Brown, 232-184-416; Zack Huffman, 183-221-

404; Barry Banks, 227-158-385. Team totals: 1,123-1,078-2,201 (16 points). Baker games: Salem, 266-247-513 (10 points); Wayne, 171-215-386 (0 points). Wayne's dual match record: 6-0 overall, 4-0 KLAA Contral Division

4-0 KLAA Central Division. PLYMOUTH 21 LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE 9

Jan. 12 at Westland Bowl

Plymouth scorers: Kyle Webb, 268-224-492; Eric Thompson, 212-189-407; Brandon Congdon, 206-181-387; Rob Korstjens, 207; Antonio Spinale, 190; Evan Grimme, 165. Team totals: 1,049-949-1998 (11 points); Paktra creations, 245-100-427 (10 points); Baker games: 245-192-437 (10 points).

Clarenceville scorers: Tyler Fox, 224-201-425; Mike Uren, 268-173-414; Sean Diaz, 173-223-396; Corey Coughlin, 168-211-379; Kyle Kissandi, 154-191-345, Team totals: 087-000-1084 (District) Peters 987-999-1,986 (9 points); **Baker games:** 165-189-354 (0 points).

Dual match records: Plymouth, 5-2 overall; Clarenceville, 2-4 overall. WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 23

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 23 NORTHVILLE 7 Jan. 12 at Westland Bowl John Glenn scorers: Brian Monty, 224-233-447; Thomas Brusseau, 225-206-431; Steven White, 204-199-403; Daniel Ammons, 216; John Cleavenger, 195; Tommy Ruark, 194; Jordan Hornes, 180. Team totals: 1,028-1,048-2,076 (13 points); Baker games: 235-206-441 (10 points); 206-441 (10 points).

Northville scorers: Ryan Benoit, 212-186-398; Colton Ma-Wu, 203-175-378; Jon Johnson, 200-168-368; Brian Currier, 220-160. Team totals: 1.030-812-1.842 (7 points): Baker games: 160-174-334 (0 points). Dual match records: John Glenn, 7-0 overall, 5-0 KLAA Central Division; Northville, 0-7 overall, 0-5 KLAA Central.

# **Frosh Lutz sparks** Stevenson win

Dominic Lutz turned in a performance beyond his years Friday as Livonia Stevenson downed host Traverse City Central in a non-league boys hockey game, 5-1, at Howe Arena. The freshman notched a

hat rick as the state-ranked Spartans improved to 10-2 overall.

"He played an unbelievable game," Stevenson coach Gerry Vento said. "Besides the three goals, he was also solid on both ends."

Stevenson led 2-0 after one period on pair of goals by Lutz.

Max Humitz and Andrew Palushaj assisted on the first, while Cam and Max Humitz assisted on the second, a power play effort.

In the second period, Stevenson increased its lead to 4-0 on goals by Ryan Urso (from Kyle Gabrielson) and Justin Shureb on another power play (from Nick Barr and Palushaj).

Lutz completed his hat trick in the final period off an assist from Devin Cragin.

The Trojans (6-8) spoiled Connor Humitz's shutout bid on Lucas Little's power play goal from Kyle Froese.

Humitz had 15 saves, while Central's Billy Vermetten had 18 stops.

"We were very undisciplined giving up three 5-on-3s, but we still played a solid hockey

game," Vento said. CHURCHILL 5, NORTHVILLE 1: Steven Klisz had a goal and two assists Friday as Livonia Churchill (6-4, 3-4) skated past the host Mustangs (5-6-1, 1-4) in a game played at Novi Ice Arena.

"It was a great team effort and we played a very good defensive game," said Churchill coach Pete Mazzoni, whose team outshot Northville 40-22. "And we obviously put a lot of pressure on their goalie."

Riley Brown added a goal and assists for the victorious Chargers, who led 1-0 after one period and 3-0 after 34 minutes.

Other Churchill goal scorers included Brad Milks, Jake Otto and Tom Carey. Assists went to Joe Williams, Mike Rybinski, Kevin Louwers and Mike Gambino.

Alex Estes was in goal for Churchill, while David Ketelhut was

# **PREP HOCKEY**

#### in net for Northville. CRANBROOK 2, LADYWOOD 1 (OT):

Amanda Schimpke tallied the gamewinning goal in overtime Thursday as Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood (10-1, 8-1) edged host Livonia Ladywood (4-6, 4-6) in a Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League game at Plymouth's Arctic Pond.

Caley Chelios and Jeannie Sui Wonders assisted on the game-winner for the Cranes.

After two scoreless periods, Jenny Rohn's goal from Hannah Pereira and Rana Freij staked the Blazers to a 1-0 third period lead before Wonders' answered off an assist from Lexi Higbee to send the game to OT.

Ladywood goalie Jessica Pavela made 22 saves, while Colleen Jacoby had 28 stops for Cranbrook. "I thought we played one of our better games of the year," Ladywood coach Bruce Peck said. "We played well defensively and had numerous scoring opportunities. Jacoby played a fantastic game. The overtime came down to a power play for Cranbrook. We couldn't clear the puck and they managed to put it in for the winner. It was a tough, hard-fought game. I was proud of

our effort." CHURCHILL 6, DAVISON 2: Ben Proben tallied two goals and added one assist Wednesday as host Livonia Churchill (5-4), outstaked nonconference foe Davison (3-8-1) in a game played at Edgar Arena.

The Chargers also got a pair of goals from Matt Sinclair.

Alex Dunckel scored for the Cardinals just 33 seconds into the game off assists from Mike Allard and Kyle Workman.

The Chargers, who tallied the next six goals, were tied 1-all after one period and led 5-1 after two.

Riley Brown and Steven Klisz each added a goal and assist for the Chargers, who outshot Davison 38-17.

Other assists went to Joe Williams, Devin Smythe, Mike Rybinski, Nick Proben, Jake Otto, Mike Kutek, Cam Benson, Brad

Milks and Ben Proben. Sinclair and Ben Proben each

scored on a power play. Aaron Snyder scored the game's final goal with three minutes for

Davison Churchill goalies Alex Estes and Jesse Chambers combined for 15 saves, while Ryan Morey made 32 stops for the Cardinals.

109. Team totals: 801-770-1.571 (3.5 points): Baker games: 161-169-330 (10 points). Dual match records: Northville, 3-4 overall, 2-3 KLAA Central Divison; John Glenn, 3-4 overall, 3-2 KLAA Central.

John Glenn scorers: Megan Redmond, 201-148-349; Julianne Ayers, 177-153-330; Khiry Sparks, 160-141-301; Sara Aulidge,

# **Clarenceville hoop alums**

The first annual Trojan Basketball Alumni fund-raiser game will be Friday, Jan. 28, at Livonia Clarenceville High School gymnasium.

The Clarenceville JV boys team will take on the school staff at 6 p.m. followed by the varsity boys against the alumni at 7:30 p.m.

All alumni participants are asked to make a \$10 donation.

There is a \$5 admission fee and concessions will be available through the Clarenceville Booster Club.

For more information, call Clarenceville boys varsity basketball coach Justin Johnson at (248) 343-1288.

### Steelheaders meet

Dennis Lantz, a top national walleye angler, will be the featured speaker at the Metro-West Steelheaders meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 1, at the Livonia Senior Center, located at the

southeast corner of Farmington and Five Mile roads

Lantz, who has three victories and a pair of third-place finishes in the Detroit River Canadian opens, will talk about the art of jigging for walleye on the Detroit River.

The meeting is free to the public and no reservations are needed.

For more information, visit www.metroweststeelheaders.org or call Jim Robertson at (734) 383-2790.

# Track coach wanted

Livonia Clarenceville High School needs a boys varsity track coach for the 2011 season. Applicants can mail a resume, letter of interest and references to: Kevin Murphy, athletic director, Clarenceville H.S., 20155 Middlebelt, Livonia, MI 48152. You can also e-mail KMurphy@clarenceville.k12.mi.us.

# **GIRLS GYMNASTICS**

# Jan. 12 at Groves

Vault: 1. Maggie McGowan (Red), 8.65; Sydney Moosekian (BG), 8.6; 3. Justina Peterson (BG), 8,45; 4, Kodie Sullivan (BG) 8.4; 5. (tie) Mallory Dorton (Red), Isabella Cutler (BG) and Tessa Raymond (BG), 8.2 each

8.8; 2. Moosekian (BG), 8.3; 3. (tie) Meghan Lark (Red) and Sullivan (BG), 8.25 each; 5.

Floor exercise: 1. (tie) Kretzschmar (Red) and Sullivan (BG), 8.5 each; 3. (tie) Moosekian

Livonia Red's dual meet record: 4-2

(COD Range (LS) p. All Ajani, 0:18. Stevenson's dual match record: 3-15 overall, 2-0 KLAA Central Division. LIVONIA STEVENSON 51 SOUTH LYON EAST 18 Jan. 12 at Salem 102 acceded Cod II: 10 (115) and 10 (115) a Jan. 12 at Salem 103 pounds: Caelb Hill (SLE) won by void; 112: Tyler Foley (SLE) won by void; 119: double void; 125: Corey Davis (LS) decisioned Alex Hubert; 9-7; 130: Khaled Younes (LS) dec. Jesse Striklin, 8-4; 135: Samer Shebak (LS) dec. Ryan Foley, 14-8; 140: Randy Hamill (LS) won by void; 145: Kody Roy (LS) won by void; 152: Zach Auner (LS) won by void; 160: Jacob Kelley (LS) pinned Dan Wilk, 2:23; 171: Jacob Haddad (SLE) p. Joseph Carroll, 1:58; 189: Joseph Scott (LS) p. Luke Patterson, 1:08; 215: Kyle Agar (LS) p. Jacob Robertson, 4:18: 285: Jacob Range (LS) p. Casey Fadden, 1:51.

# **DUAL MEET RESULTS** LIVONIA RED 130.25 BIRMINGHAM GROVES 129.30

Uneven bars: 1. Katie Kretzschmar (Red), Peterson (BG), 8.2.

Balance beam: 1. Kretzschmar (Red), 8.9; 2. Dorton (Red), 8.3; 3. Peterson (BG), no score available); Raymond (BG), 7.8; 5. Maddy Reem, 7.55

(BG) and Raymond (BG), 8.3 each; 4. McGowan (Red), 8.25; 5. Rose Prebola (Red), 8.2.

All-around: 1. Moosekian (BG), 32.7; 2. Sullivan (BG), 32.65; 3. McGowan (Red), 32.20. overall.

THE WEEK AHEAD

### **BOYS BASKETBALL**

Tuesday, Jan. 18 Macomb Christian at Huron Valley, 6 p.m. Wayne at Churchill, 7 p.m. Canton at Franklin, 7 p.m. Novi at Stevenson, 7 p.m. John Glenn at Plymouth, 7 p.m. Luth. Westland at S.H. Parkway, 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 21 Stevenson at Churchill, 7 p.m. Wayne at Franklin, 7 p.m. South Lyon at Stevenson, 7 p.m. John Glenn at Canton, 7 p.m. Clarenceville at Hamtramck, 7 p.m. Luth. N'west at Luth. Westland, 7 p.m. Huron Valley at Franklin Road, 7:30 p.m. **GIRLS BASKETBALL Tuesday, Jan. 18** Churchill at Wayne, 7 p.m. Franklin at Canton, 7 p.m. Stevenson at Novi, 7 p.m. Plymouth at John Glenn, 7 p.m. Ladywood at Warren Regina, 7 p.m. Berkley at Clarenceville, 7 p.m. Luth. Westland at S'field Christian, 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 21 Luth. N'west at Luth. Westland, 5:30 p.m. Huron Valley at Franklin Road, 6 p.m. Hamtramck at Clarenceville, 7 p.m. Mercy at Ladywood, 7 p.m. Churchill at Plymouth, 7 p.m. Franklin at Wayne, 7 p.m. Stevenson at South Lyon, 7 p.m. Canton at John Glenn, 7 p.m.

Monday, Jan. 17 Franklin at Novi (Ice Arena), 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 19 Churchill vs. Franklin, Stevenson vs. Canton at Edgar Arena, 6 & 8 p.m. Ladywood vs. Grosse Pte. North at G.P. Civic Arena, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22 Franklin vs. Dearborn Unified at Adray (Kilpatrick) Arena, 6 p.m. Stevenson vs. Grosse Pte. North at G.P. Civic Arena, 7 p.m. at 5.P. Civic Arena, 7 p.m. Ladywood vs. Univ.-Liggett at Arctic Pond (Plymouth), 7:30 p.m. PREP WRESTLING Wednesday, Jan. 19 Wayne, Plymouth at Churchill, 5:30 p.m. Capton, Lobo Glopp, Canton, John Glenn at Franklin, 5:30 p.m. South Lyon, Northville, Novi at Stevenson, 5:30 p.m. Harper Woods, Hamtramck at Lutheran Westland, 6 p.m Clarenceville at Garden City, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22 Wayne County Meet at Romulus, 9 a.m. BOYS SWIMMING & DIVING Tuesday, Jan. 18 Redford Union at Churchill, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20 Churchill at Canton, 6:30 p.m. Plymouth at Franklin, 6:30 p.m. Stevenson at Northville, 6:30 p.m. John Glenn at Wayne, 6:30 p.m.

PREP HOCKEY

Wednesday, Jan. 19 Livonia Red vs. Livonia Blue at Churchill H.S., 6:30 p.m. PREP BOWLING Tuesday, Jan. 18 Clarenceville vs. John Glenn Wayne vs. Northville at Super Bowl (Canton), 3:30 p.m Thursday, Jan. 20 John Glenn vs. Waterford Mott, Clarenceville vs. Wat. Kettering, Wayne vs. Lakeland at Airway Lanes, 3:30 p.m. Ladywood vs. Birm. Marian at Drakeshire Lanes, 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22 Oakland Co. Girls at Berkley, TBA Wayne County Championship, TBA. Sunday, Jan. 23 Oakland Co. Boys at Wonderland Bowl, TBA MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Wednesday, Jan. 19 Aquinas College at Madonna, 7:30 p.m. Schoolcraft at Macomb CC, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22 Madonna at Indiana Tech, 3 p.m. Schoolcraft at St. Clair Co. CC, 3 p.m. WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Wednesday, Jan. 19 Schoolcraft at Macomb CC, 5:30 p.m. Madonna at Aquinas College, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22 Indiana Tech at Madonna, 1 p.m. Schoolcraft at St. Clair Co. CC, 1 p.m. TBA - time to be announced.

GIRLS GYMNASTICS



DUAL MATCH RESULTS CANTON 47 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 15

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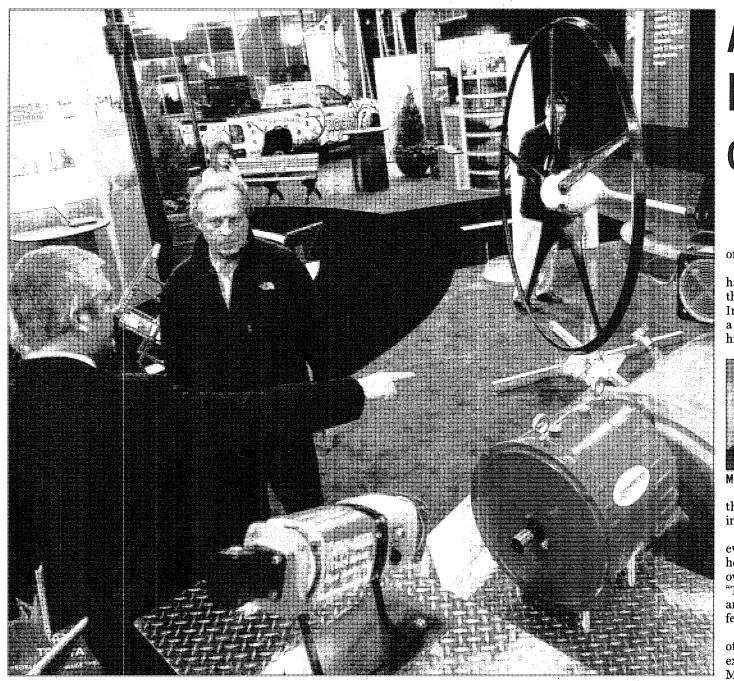
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#### **LIVONIA STEVENSON 44** SALEM 34 Jan. 12 at Salem

103 pounds: Alex Arble (Salem) won by void; 112: Cody Korpus (Salem) won by void; 119: Evan Bruyere (Salem) won by void; 125: Corey Davis (LS) won by void; 130: Khaled Younes (LS) won by void; **135**: Randy Hamil (LS) won by void; **140**: Samer Shebak (LS) pinned Hamad Ahed, 0:49; **145**: Kody Roy (LS) won by technical fall over Matt Lang, 21-6; 152: Josh Marhoffer (Salem) won by major decision over Zach Auner, 9-0; 160: Tyler Gross (Salem) p. Jacob Kelley, 1:38; 171: Joseph Carroll (LS) dec. Jordan Zhou, 5-4; 18 1: 189: Kyle Sugg (Salem) p. Kyle Agar, 0:39; **215:** Joseph Scott (LS) p. Jake McCabe, 0:43; **285:** Jacob Range (LS) p. Ali Ajani, 0:18.

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Danotek, which manufacturers wind turbine generators, has a display at the MEDC hall inside the North American International Auto Show at Cobo Center.

# Canton company aims to become a global force

#### BY JAY M. GROSSMAN STAFF WRITER

Danotek motion technologies is using magnets to help harness the wind.

The Canton company specializes in the development of permanent magnet generators to service the global wind generator market — an alternative energy market that's expected to reach \$1.6 billion in worldwide activity by 2014.

That's good news for Michigan – and especially western Wayne County. Danotek currently employs about 50 people in design and manufacturing and expects to add nearly 100 more jobs over the next several years. Their facilities are located at 8680 N. Haggerty.

"Canton Township has been the ideal place for a technical company like Danotek to locate," Chief Financial Officer Frank Alex said Thursday from the Detroit auto show. "The area's close proximity to world class universities, major engineering talent and an international airport has allowed Danotek to grow significantly."

The company, which started in 2001, currently produces a power steering pump for electric vehicles and a 200kw

permanent magnet generator that serves as a backup power supply for hospitals, schools and businesses. Alex said the company has raised over \$20 million in venture capital funding and has also received support from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation in terms of tax abatements and low-interest loans. Their goal is to reach \$300 million in revenue annually.

Their display is located in the MEDC's 'Smarter Living in Michigan" exhibit at the auto show.

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# All in the family: **Birmingham man** chairs auto show

BY JAY M. GROSSMAN STAFF WRITER

Barron Meade stands on top of the auto world.

The Birmingham resident has the pleasure of chairing the 2011 North American International Auto Show. It's a personal honor for him, as his father twice chaired the event, in 1989

> and 1991. Meade, 41, also

understands

of this year's

show. where

everyone

the importance

involved seems

to be pulling

together for



Meade

the greater good of the auto industry.

"Definitely you can see that everyone is on the same page," he said Tuesday while checking over the showroom displays. "There's a lot of enthusiasm around here. You can almost feel it in the air."

With an anticipated crowd of nearly 800,000 people expected to attend next week, Meade sat down for a moment and talked about the show: Q: How does the Detroit show stack up to the auto shows in New York, Los Angeles and other parts of the globe?

Meade: The North American International Auto Show is one of the world's premier global events. The amount of international media at NAIAS surpasses any other domestic show with more than 5,000 estimated this year from nearly 60 countries. Our January show is a true thermometer as to the temperature of the world's economy - the media, the industry and government officials use us as that vital tour.

Q: How many new car introductions are planned at the show this year?

Meade: We anticipate between 30-40 brand new vehicles that are worldwide debuts and that's without counting North American debuts.

#### Q: How many visitors typically attend the show?

Meade: We get more than 5,000 journalists each year and last year for the public days we had about 715,000 visitors – an increase of 65,000 visitors from the previous year. We anticipate an increase on public days attendance to nearly 800,000 based on the positive nature of what we've seen thus far in 2011.

Q: Talk about Friday's black-tie event. How many people do you expect, how much do you expect to raise and where does the money go?

Meade: Our goal is to have 10,000 attendees. Our sales are tracking well, up more than 15 percent. Since 1976, we've raised nearly \$82 million that benefits nine local children's charities. Tickets are \$250 each. Q: Is this an event for the whole family?

Meade: Absolutely! This town has a passion for cars that goes beyond age and demographics - and at \$12 a ticket, as well as local discounts at participating Kroger stores, it's a very costeffective event. Q: What are some of the latest

# tech-driven trends in the industry?

Meade: Improvements in standard combustion engines are massively improving fuel economy across the board. The electric vehicle market is gaining a great deal of attention and most auto makers are seeing that as a clear sign for development. The Chevy Volt, for example, has won North American Car of the Year as well as Motor Trend's Car of the Year, so an entire industry is seeing these innovations as significant.

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# A watchful eye

# **Plymouth Township resident** heads security team at NAIAS

#### **BY NATHAN MUELLER** STAFF WRITER

Carl Berry has one goal this week as the public invades Cobo Center for the 2011 North American International Auto Show - keep everyone safe.

Nearly 800,000 people are expected to make the trek to Detroit to see the industry's hottest cars, and Berry and his security team of thousands will be in place to make sure everything goes off without a hitch.

The longtime Plymouth Township resident, who also served as chief of police in Plymouth and Plymouth Township before retiring in 1997, is in his 10th year as the chief of security for the show. He has come back year after year because of the "challenge" and the people he works with.

"Everything involves communication," he said. "We have a standard here we have to maintain and I am proud of all the people who help me and work with me to make that happen."

Berry's team consists of personnel from more than 60 law enforcement agencies, ranging from the Michigan State Police, Detroit Police Department and Wayne County Sheriff's Department to the FBI, U.S. Marshal's Office and international agencies.

The majority of the security members are dressed in plain clothes, and likely will go unnoticed by the public exactly how Berry wants it.

Since being hired by the Detroit Auto Dealers



Carl Berry, chief of security for the North American International Auto Show, pauses on the show floor on Jan. 11 during press preview day. Berry, the former chief of police for Plymouth Township and a former patrolman and chief for Plymouth, says that during the show he often works 18- to 20-hour days.

Association as chief of security one month before 9/11, Berry said little has changed in terms of security. Obviously security measures were heightened following the attacks, but the NAIAS has not had any issues.

"The same basic principals apply," Berry said, comparing the job with his previous stints as the chief of police. "It's a matter of coordination."

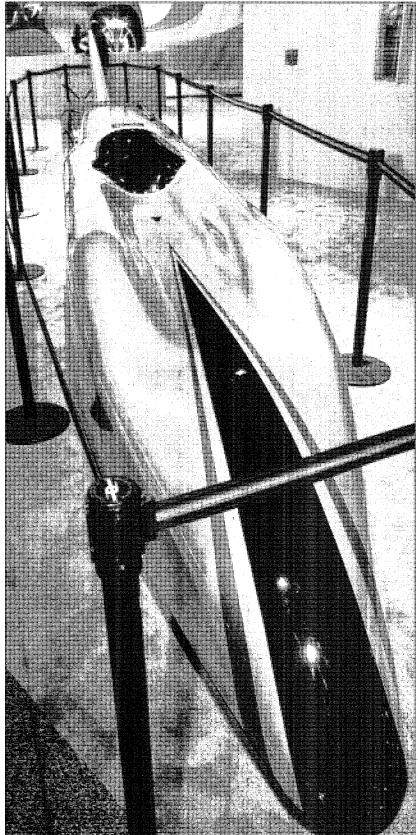
That coordination is a yearround job, he said, adding that he lives in Detroit from the start of January until Jan. 24 and works 18-to-20-hour days.

When asked what keeps him going outside of the people he works with, Berry praised the city.

"Detroit is one of the best venues I have worked in," he said. "They know how to put on a show.'

And as far as this year's show? "This is one of the best shows I have worked at," he said. "The attitude is so positive."

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The 'Buckeye Bullet' car. An all-electrical super fast vehicle designed by Ohio State University students.

# **AUTO SHOW BRIEFS**

# **ELECTRICITY ROARS**

Electric cars in all shapes and sizes are on display at this year's auto show.

The world's fastest one is here too.

The Inizio RTX, built by Li-ion Motors Corp. in Nevada, reaches speeds of 170 mph and can accelerate in 0-60 in 3.4 seconds. It has a range of up to 200 miles and a price tag starting around \$135,000.

## FASTER THAN ...

Perhaps the strangest-looking concept car on display is the Buckeye Bullet 3, an electric land speed vehicle from Ohio State University that has a target speed of 400 mph. An earlier version of the vehicle, the Buckeye Bullet 1, holds the current electric land speed record of 314 mph.

### FILL 'ER UP

The loss of gas taxes from too many electric cars has at least one local politician worried.

"From an energy use and oil dependency point of view, we were very glad to see the number of hybrid and electric vehicles being shown at this year's auto show," Oakland County Road Commissioner Greg Jamian observed in a press release Thursday.

"However, hybrid cars pay far less gas taxes, and all-electric cars pay no gas taxes. That means a further hit to the largest source of funding for roads. Those vehicles require good roads just like other vehicles, but they generate less revenue to maintain them."

## **TOO COOL**

No doubt the coolest car to check out is the 1965 Lincoln Continental from the HBO hit series Entourage. You can almost picture Turtle, Johnny, Eric and Vincent cruising the boulevard.

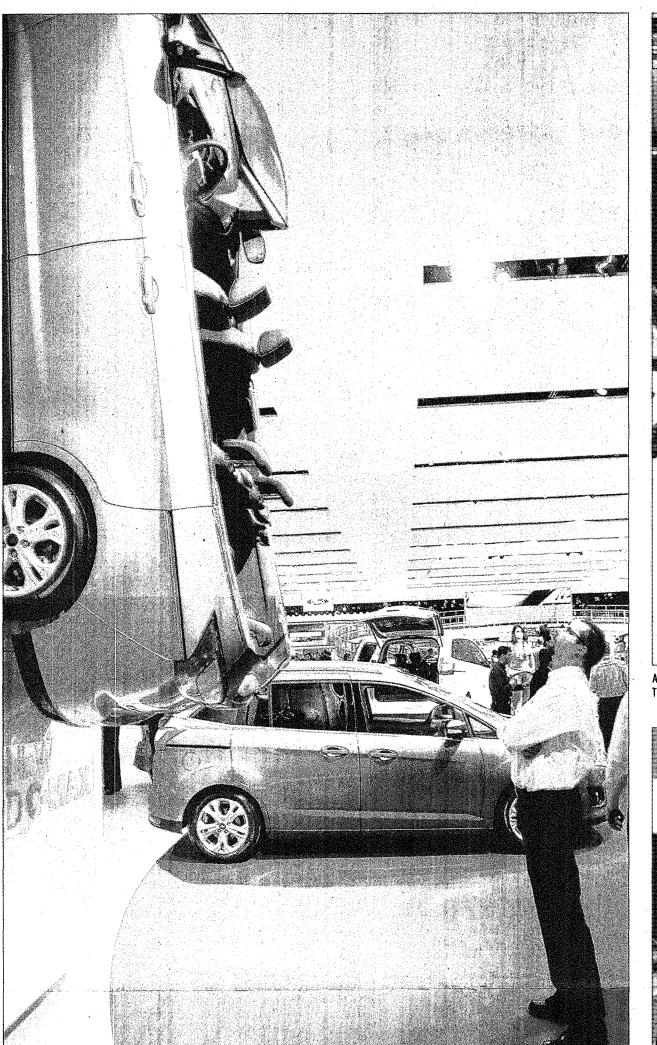
On top of that, a pair of custom-made Mustang GTs belonging to hip hop artist Nelly and NBA player Shaquille O'Neal are on display as part of the DUB magazine tour. Nelly's car is prominently featured in his "Just A Dream" video. For Shaq's ride, the back seat was removed to give the driver seat an extra 18 inches.

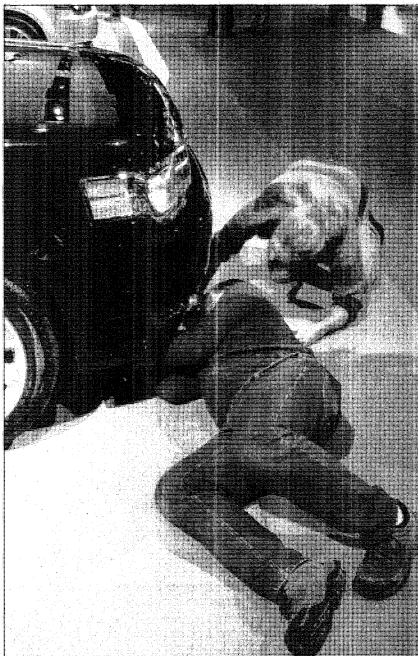
## WIN AN IPAD

If you really want to be eco-friendly, start in your home, not the garage.

WellHome, a business of Masco Home Services Inc., is unveiling a new, interactive software application designed for the iPad that guides users through a virtual energy usage assessment - a sort of miles per gallon for the home. Their display is in the new Smarter Living in Michigan" section of the show.

WellHome representatives will be on hand to help homeowners develop a strategy for improving home efficiency and determine cost savings estimates. Everyone who stops by to determine their home score will be entered into a drawing to win a free iPad.

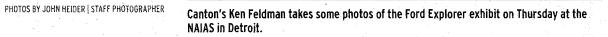


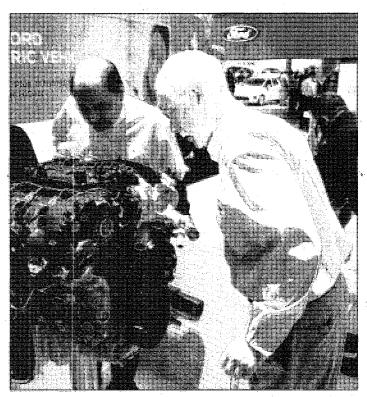


A pair of engineers get down low to check out the suspension of a Ford Flex vehicle \_\_\_\_\_\_ Thursday at the NAIAS.



Andy Rumptz of Canton checks out a Ford SUV mounted on a wall at the Industry Preview Day.



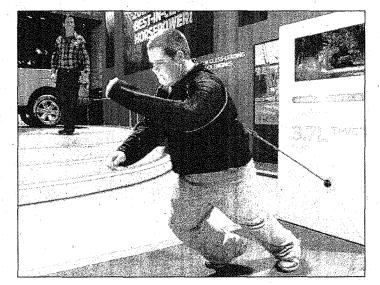


Ron Smaldone (right) of Livonia, an engine design supervisor for Ford, talks about one of the displays to visitors at the North American International Auto Show last Thursday.



Livonia-based PEP manufacturer's electric vehicle recharge stations have a display at the MEDC hall inside the auto show.

A group of engineers checks out the undercarriage of a GMC pickup truck.



A.J. Kraus, 16, a student at North Farmington High School, tests his towing capabilities compared with a Ford pickup truck.

IF YOU GO

Dates and times: Daily through Saturday, Jan. 22, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday, January 23, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tickets: Adults: \$12 per person, E-Tickets: \$12 per person, Seniors: \$6 (65 and older) Children: \$6 (7-12 years old; 6 and under free with a parent or guardian) Location: Cobo Center One Washington Boulevard Detroit, MI 48226 More information: www.naias.com 86 (WGReLCP

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# **MORICS** Playwrights

# see their words come to life on the Village Theater stage

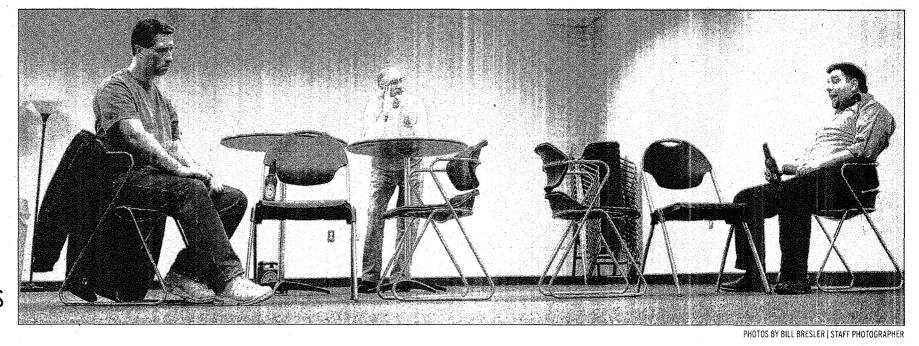
BY SHARON DARGAY O&E STAFF WRITER

David Cooper will stage and direct his own script Jan. 21-23 at the Village Theatre in Canton.

Jacob Zinke will debut his first play — and act in it — that same weekend.

Christopher Tremblay of TLC Productions is pleased to help the two Canton men and four other playwrights find an audience for their works through "Canton's Ist One Acts Festival" at the theater.

"We're helping make other people's dreams come true in terms of authors having a venue to stage their plays," said Tremblay, who along with his TLC partners, Linda Pohl and Tim Chanko, created the festival, read the 108 submissions and selected the final six scripts with the help of two other readers.



Tim Chanko is Ben Sullivan, Joe Cone is Jerry, proprietor of Jerry's Pub, and Jeff Foust plays Will, a man with a terrible secret in one of six one-act plays that will be staged Jan. 21-23 at the Village Theatre at Cherry Hill, in Canton.

# ONE ACT FESTIVAL

What: Six original plays

When: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 21-22 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 23 Where: Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton Details: "Alone or Alone" by David Lew Cooper of Canton, "How to Make a Mobile" by Randy Wyatt of Grand Rapids; "Jerry's Pub" by Matt Croyle of Oil City, Pa.; "Joshua Judges Ruth," by Jacob A. Zinke of Canton; and "Uncomfortable Sex," by Lorin Howard of Long Beach, Calif. Cost: Tickets are \$10, available at tlcprod.wordpress.com/the-festival or call the Village Theater Box Office at (734) 394-5300

"It was a blind submission process. We didn't know how many Canton authors or Michigan authors we had until the very end."

Tremblay said the team whittled the scripts — which came from writers in 27 states — from 108 to 11, held staged readings of the semifinalists and then chose the six winners.

"I'd say most of them have a little comedy. Probably one, *Jerry's Pub*, is true drama. It's a little more serious and orod.wordpress.com/the-festival or (734) 394-5300 intense. There's enough comic relief to make it a night of entertainment. We didn't want the content to be too heavy. Seeing six shows is a lot for many people, especially if they've never been to a festival."

# **CREATING A NICHE**

TLC Productions has staged two of its original plays, the latest being *Fonts! A Type of Musical*, on the Biltmore stage inside the Village Theatre. Festival



Linda Trygg directs "Jerry's Pub" for the One Acts Festival at the Village Theatre at Cherry Hill in Canton.

shows will be produced on the main stage in the 400seat auditorium.

*"Fonts* had three sold-out shows and people now are familiar with the quality of our work. We're all still memTremblay said the festival also gives TLC a chance to recruit and groom new directors for future productions. Newcomers are more likely to give directing a try with a one-act play, rather than a full production.

bers of Spotlight Players," he said, referring to the theater's resident company. "We're not trying to compete with Spotlight Players. What makes us different is we're focusing on original works. We feel we are filling a niche."

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## MULTI-TASKING

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Both Cooper and Zinke are acting and directing. Cooper is in charge of his own script, *Alone or Alone* and he's cast in another playwright's work. Zinke is acting in his play, *Joshua Judges Ruth*, but directing a piece by a Grand Rapids playwright.

"The moment you hear someone say what you wrote and watch someone breathe life into your character, I can't imagine it's much different than the feeling of watching a child take their first step," said Cooper, 19, a sophomore at Schoolcraft College. "You feel so blessed, it's really a magical thing."

Cooper said he was written, acted and directed in theater for the past five years and hopes to pursue it has a career. *Alone or Alone* is the second play he has staged, although he has 15-20 scripts "in the works."

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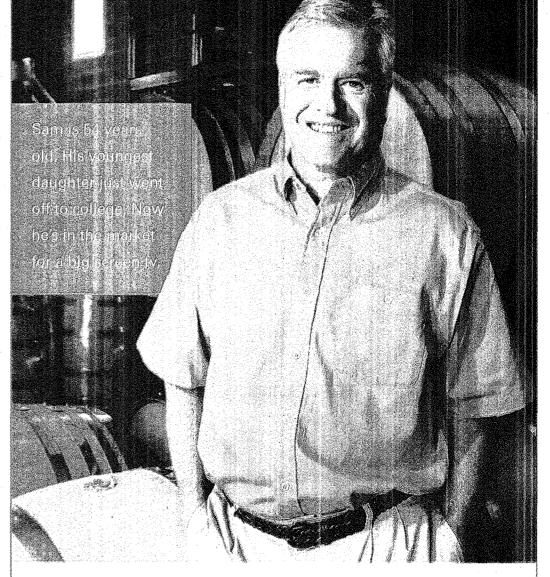
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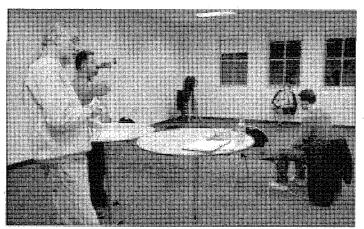
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Joe Cone (left) is Jerry, proprietor of Jerry's Pub; Jeff Foust of Canton plays Will, a man with a terrible secret; and Tim Chanko is Ben Sullivan. All are from Canton. Linda Trygg directs.

# FROM PAGE BO

Zinke, 32, a speech-language pathologist at a skilled nursing facility, based Joshua Judges Ruth, his first play, on his own experience of being Christian and gay. As the character, Stephen, he questions his faith and sexuality. "I'm so thankful and

excited that I get to see my characters from Joshua Judges Ruth come to life on the stage. Jeff Foust, my husband of four years, is doing an amazing job directing the show and the actors are portraying the characters with true passion."

Tremblay, who also has a role in Zinke's play, said its gay theme is new to the Village Theater stage. For that reason, he describes the festival as "PG 13," even though most of the plays are "family friendly." Uncomfortable Sex, a play about two senior citizens, is risque in title only.

He said Joshua Judges Ruth may raise a few eyebrows because of its theme.

"It's a festival. And that is what theater is supposed to do - entertain, educate, get people thinking about issues."

# Six One acts

• Alone or Alone by David Lew Cooper of Canton features Nick Rapson of Canton as Lucas and Kristin Heitmeier of Northville as Christi in a play that follows the pair in three stages of their relationship. From first date to the proposal to the end of the relationship, it explores how uncertainty is really all anyone can be certain of. Cooper directed his work.

• How to Make a Mobile by Randy Wyatt of Grand Rapids includes Carol Lipinski of Garden City as Lila, the star of Lila's Craft Corner, and Kimmy Elliott of Canton as Colleen, her daughter. Lila has a lot to learn about her daughter, whose life she can't easily

Canton as Ric, and Wendy Krekeler of Livonia as Audrey. Zinke takes on the character of Stephen. Jeff Foust directs the play about Marge and Flo, a devoted couple, who host a party for their friends, Marc and Ric, also a couple. Stephen hesitantly brings a date, Audrey. Stephen grapples with his identity, Marc struggles to accept Stephen's date and Marge tries to enlighten them. Open-minded Audrey surprises them all.

• The Rental by Harvey Levine of Pasadena, Calif., features Lisa Fuente-Purdy of Hartland as Sonya and David Lew Cooper of Canton, author of Alone or Alone, as Harold. Robert J.

# Couple heads to Sudan on spiritual growth, learning trip

#### **BY SHARON DARGAY O&E STAFF WRITER**

When Edward and Amanda Cheladyn began researching pen pal opportunities for youth at their church, they didn't intend to deliver the correspondence in person.

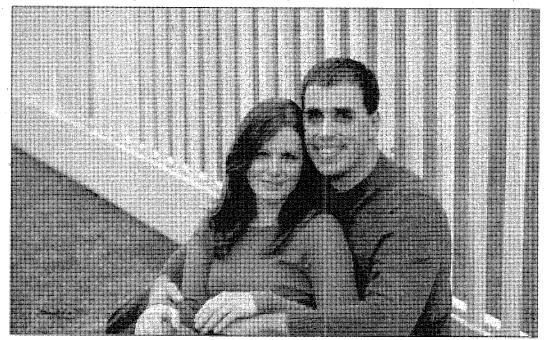
But that's exactly what the Canton couple will do when they visit Sudan in east Africa on a learning tour next month. What started as a few simple inquiries for a youth project turned into a trip halfway around the globe for the Cheladyns, who are members of Living Peace Church, in Canton.

Co-leaders of the youth group, they traded e-mails with David Radcliff, director of the New Community Project, a faith-based nonprofit organization in Illinois aimed at helping American Christians live more responsibly. While discussing youth cultural exchange, Radcliff also mentioned the Feb. 2 Sudan learning tour.

"In a week it went from pen pals to a trip," said Ed, 28.

He and Amanda, 23, will travel with 11 other individuals, ranging from age 15 to 72, from churches across the country for two weeks, stopping at Nimule and Narus, close to the Ugandan border, in Sudan. They'll visit local residents, meet with church and civic leaders, and learn about New Community Project's support for girls' education, women's development and reforestation. All of the organization's learning tours are meant to foster personal and spiritual growth. Participants build relationships with the people they visit and return home with a better understanding of their challenges.

"We're not doing mission work. We're not going to build a school," Amanda explained. "The idea is to learn about them, visit with them. The more we learn about them, the more we can bring back



Amanda and Ed Cheladyn of Canton will head to Sudan next month.

here and help in that way. Our main goal is to raise awareness."

"I want to be a resource for the community," Ed added. "If a church wants to know how to make a difference, we can help them understand how. If anyone wants us to come and talk to them, we'll do a presentation."

The couple hopes to share what they learn on tour with other churches and community groups.

### DONATIONS ACCEPTED

Living Peace Church, a member of the Church of the Brethren, and the Michigan District Church of the Bretheran have helped with trip expenses, which costs \$1,400 per person in addition to air fare. Anyone interested in donating to their tour can reach them through Living Peace Church at info@livingpeacechurch.org or (734) 233-1466. Any money collected in excess of trip costs will be donated to New Community Project's Give a Girl a Chance program, which helps fund educational opportunities for girls in Sudan and Nepal.

Sudan is rebuilding after a 35-year civil war and voting began Sunday on a referendum for southern Sudan independence. Violence in disputed border areas have led to several deaths since the voting began.

"It's such an important time in history. It's the best time to go," Amanda noted. "I have wanted to do this for so long. I don't even think about any risk.'

Ed said they'll be "far enough" south of politically tense areas in Sudan.

"Yeah, it's a little scary, but the reward is worth it. It will be a life-changing experience for both of us.

#### **GETTING TIME OFF**

Amanda, who works as a toxicologist, was able to take time off from work for the trip. Ed, who was working a contract job in engineering design services for Toyota, initially did, too. But he said the company withdrew permission after they booked the trip. So, he quit.

"I could have said no to the trip and kept working. If I had kept working, I don't

know if a trip like this would come up again. I felt in my heart it was the right thing to do," he said.

Amanda and Ed have been involved in volunteer work for years. Amanda organized a Beanie Baby collection for soldiers while she was a student at Lake Orion High School.

"We collected 4,000 Beanie Babies," she said. "I love being involved."

Ed, who grew up in the Ludington area, was involved in student government at Lake Superior State University, where the couple met. Both spent hours walking dogs at the local shelter.

He attended the Church of the Brethren and introduced Amanda to it.

"It's one of three historic peace churches," he said, noting that it preaches peace and justice at home as well as around the globe. "It's about finding peace in your every day life, stopping fights with your neighbors.'

To learn more about New Community Project visit www.newcommunityproject.org

order. Directed by Jacob Zinke, who wrote Joshua Judges Ruth for the festival.

• Jerry's Pub, by Matt Croyle of Oil City, Pa., includes Canton residents Jeff Foust as Will, Tim Chanko as Ben and Joseph Cone as Jerry and Kyle Coykendall of Walled Lake as Chucky. Linda Trygg directs this play about two men who meet in a bar and realize their meeting isn't by chance.

• Joshua Judges Ruth by Canton resident Jacob A. Zinke features Kimmy Elliott of Canton as Marge, Melody Nimmo of Livonia as Flo, Eric Briggs of Ypsilanti as Marc, Christopher Tremblay of

Fox directs the play, about an extraordinary birthday present -a rented boyfriend — that Sonya receives. He's the perfect man for her, but he's only there for a day.

• Uncomfortable Sex by Lorin Howard of Long Beach, Calif., includes Betty Berryman of Canton as Ida. Joseph Cone of Canton as Morty and Wendy Krekeler of Livonia as Jen. Stanley Guarnelo directs the play about Ida and Morty who meet and talk about "uncomfortable sex" and other topics. They eventually realize they have more in common than they thought. Jen is Ida's granddaughter, who introduces them.

# STUDY GROUP WINTER SERIES UNDER WAY

The Plymouth Study Group is offering a series of lectures on a variety of topics from 10 a.m.-noon, Thursdays, at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth.

Membership for the Study Group is \$20 per series, which runs through March 17. Coffee, tea and refreshments are served 15 minutes before the lecture begins.

Upcoming topics include: Jan. 20: "History of the Penn

Theater" with Ellen Elliott Jan. 27: "What is PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder)?"

with Carol Lindsay-Westphal Feb. 3: "The Prize in Disguise" will include a screening of the documentary and

Low Vision of Michigan

discussion with producer Tom Avolio.

Feb. 10: "History of Hats" with Valerie Stephan Green Feb. 17: "Your New 13-Planet

Solar System" with Mike Best Feb. 24: "The Toll House

Cookie Lady" with Marguerite Humes March 3: "I Never Pictured This!" with Adam Jacobs of

Adam Jacobs March 10: "History of Eloise" with Jo Johnson

March 17: "Increasing your Curb Appeal," a program about landscaping with Jeremy Christianson

For more information, call Karen Chapin at (734) 453-4765 or the PCAC at (734) 416-4278.

# Arthritis Today

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# ARTHRITIS OR INJURY

A person experiences a fall and thereafter his knee begins to hurt. The pain persists and the patient brings the problem to the attention of his physician. The doctor needs to determine if the pain comes from an injury to the knee or if the underlying problem is knee arthritis, likely osteoarthritis,

Talking to the patient is important. The doctor will inquiry about past injury to the knee as previous trauma is an incubator to present arthritis. The doctor also wants to know if anyone in the patient's family has arthritis, and what type of arthritis. The patient's knee pain may represent a continuation of the family tradition.

Examination of the injured knee is an essential aspect of the doctor's evaluation. What he is looking for is the presence of fluid. If fluid is in the knee joint, the doctor will want to remove it for analysis. The fluid's white count and the result of analysis for crystals such as gout provide the doctor with invaluable information concerning the presence and type of arthritis.

The doctor will probably complete his evaluation by taking x-rays of the knee with the patient standing and bending. Knee x-rays done in this manner place maximal strain on the joint with subsequent highlighting of any fractures or displacements in the knee

With the information gained by history, examination and x-ray, the physician usually can determine if the knee pain represents an arthritis that needs long term treatment or is an injury which requires time and pain medication while the healing process works to resolution.

# **REUNION CALENDAR**

Send reunion items to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@hometownlife.com

#### **Belleville High School** Class of 1971

Planning 40th reunion in 2011. Seeking classmates and contact information. E-mail BHS.1971@yahoo.com. If on Facebook join the group by searching BHS reunion 1971 40th sign up site; also on CLASSMATES/REUNIONS. **Dearborn Fordson** 

# Class of 1971

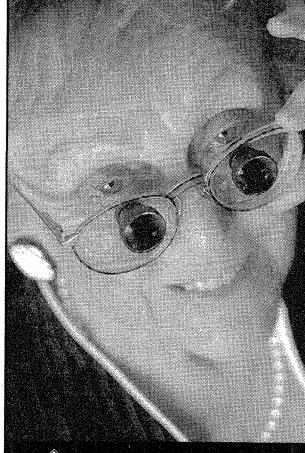
The 40th reunion is planned for Saturday, Aug. 6, 2011 at Laurel Manor in Livonia. Tickets are on sale now for \$52 per person for dinner and open bar. Send a check payable to Fordson '71 Reunion to 16124 Golfview, Livonia, MI 48154. For more information go to Facebook, Classmates.com or the Web page at Fordson71Reunion.com. **Detroit Cody** 

### Class of 1961

50th reunion Aug. 27, 2011, at Hellenic Banquet Center, Westland, Seeking classmates and contact information. E-mail codycomet61@gmail.com. Or call Connie Callear Majeske at (734) 425-7094 or Bernie Lekki Grudzien at (734) 522-3167.

#### **Detroit Mackenzie** June Class of 1961

50th reunion will be Saturday, Oct. 29, 2011. For more information e-mail Ivanerian@msn.com or phone Joanne (Poloway) Glance at (734) 878-6543.



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# PET PROJECTS

# online at hometownlife.com

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# Purebred, household felines compete for titles

# BY SHARON DARGAY

Megan Hiemstra will do double duty as both an exhibitor and records keeper at the Cat Fancier's Association (CFA) 46th Championship All Breed and Household Pet Cat Show next weekend in Allen Park.

The Plymouth woman will show her Maine Coon females, Roxanne and Rhiannon, at the show, which runs 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 22-23 at the Allen Park Community Center, 15800 White Street, Allen Park.

As a licensed CFA clerk and "master clerk," Hiemstra will submit a record of every feline competitor's points and placements to the CFA's central office after the show. The organization uses the record to calculate the points for each cat in competition. "These points are combined with all of the other cat shows to determine both the national and regional rankings," said Hiemstra, who hopes her own 9month-old champions, Roxanne and Rhiannon, will earn "Grand Championship" status at the show.

Hiemstra grew up showing cats and has owned several different breeds including Persians, Tonkinese, Cornish Rex, Maine Coons, Exotics and a Norwegian Forest Cat.

"My parents got their first Persian about five years before I was born, and I was brought along on trips to cat shows since infancy," she said.

Her favorite part of the show begins when she's at home bathing, grooming and "loving on" her cats in preparation for the competition.

"You really do bond very closely with any pet that you show," she said. "The other favorite thing for me is that every show weekend is an opportunity to meet and spend time with new friends, both spectators and my fellow exhibitors.

"When I have a cat that's doing well - and by that I mean enjoying the travel and the show experience, and winning at least some of the time - is that it's an excuse to travel a little bit. While I primarily go to shows in Michigan, Ohio, and Pennsylvania, I will sometimes take longer trips if the cat is up for it. I've driven as far as New Jersey or Atlanta, and flown to Houston, Boston, and San Francisco for the right cat at the right time. I've had a great opportunity, through this hobby, to make friends all over the country and even across the world.

Midwest Persian Tabby Fanciers, a local nonprofit cat club is the show sponsor. Judging will take place throughout the day, so guests can watch the judging or walk the exhibit hall and get a close-up view of the competitors.

Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors, \$3 for children. Children under 5 are admitted for free; www.cfa.org.

#### PET THERAPY

Pet-A-Pet, the nonprofit organization that provides pet therapy to hospitals, nursing homes and convalescent centers, is looking for enthusiastic, friendly pets and their owners to visit facilities one hour a month.

Pets must be up to date with vaccines and proof is required.

Pets are needed from 10-11 a.m. the second Friday of the month at Marywood Nursing Care Center in Livonia. Call Heather Behmlander at (734) 564-1166 if interested.



Maine Coon cats, Roxie and Rhiannon, from Plymouth will compete at the Cat Fancier's Association 46th Championship All Breed and Household Pet Cat Show.

# **COATS AND CRITTERS**

Thornton & Grooms, a residential plumbing, heating & cooling specialist in Farmington Hills partnered with Oakland County's Pet Adoption Center, in conjunction with a coat collection program last month.

For every coat donated to the "Coats for the Cold" program, individuals received a discount on a pet adoption. A total 82 cats and 30 dogs were adopted during the coat drive for humans. Oakland County Sheriff Michael Bouchard started the coat collection program 24 years ago. This year, 3,000 coats were collected and donated to 14 charities, including Judson Center and Grace Center for Hope.

### ICE SHOW SCULPTURE

Puppy Mill Awareness Meetup will distribute literature for the third year at the Plymouth Ice Festival, Jan. 21-23 in Kellogg Park, in downtown Plymouth.

The group also has commissioned its third sculpture for the show. Two years ago it presented an icy likeness of a bulldog at the park. Last year Rudolph, a Dachshund and puppy mill survivor, was honored with a sculpture.

The carving this year is of Minnie, a Chihuahua puppy mill survivor. The pooch has helped educate the public at the organization's information booths for the last two years. Minnie is shy, but allows adults and children to pet her.



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# COMMUNITY LIFE

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# MILESTONES

# **NILA ASHLEY LEBLANC**

Nila Ashley LeBlanc was born Dec. 21, 2010, at Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital in Commerce Township. She weighed 6 pounds, 5 ounces and measured 19 inches.

Proud parents are Jennifer and Darryl LeBlanc of Livonia. Grandparents are John and Sandy Bennett of Livonia. Carol LeBlanc of Livonia and the late Jamie LeBlanc.



**Nila Ashley LeBlanc** 

# JULY WEDDING PLANNED

Sara Lvnn Loewe and Donald Campbell Bulea announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be, daughter of David and Robyn Loewe of Plymouth, graduated in 2004 from Plymouth Salem High School and in 2008 from Michigan State University. She is a third grade special education teacher for the Amhearst Exempted School District in Amhearst, Ohio.

Her fiancé, son of former Plymouth residents Craig and Nancy Bulea of Huron, Ohio, graduated in 2001 from Huron High School, in 2005 from Ohio State University and in 2008 from Cleveland Marshall College of Law. He is an asso-

# NATHAN ROBERT HIX

Bryan and Susan Hix of Gilberts, Ill., announce the birth of their son, Nathan Robert, born Sept. 11, 2010, at Sherman Hospital in Elgin, Ill.

Susan is a former Livonia resident and graduate of Churchill High School. Nathan joins his big brother, Brycen, 5 1/2 and big sister, Kathryn, 31/2.

Proud grandparents are Andy and Devinee Neil of Livonia and Bob and Barb Hix of Montello, Wis.

Loewe-Bulea

ciate attorney for Griffen & Kaminiski, LLC., in Cleveland, Ohio

A July 2011 wedding is planned in Plymouth.



Nathan Robert Hix

#### LIVONIA CLUB Send garden information and photos to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@homethe Michigan Orchid Society, townlife.com will talk about growing and

#### **BUTTERFLIES**

The Southeast Michigan Butterfly Association will show the film, Secret Life of Butterflies, at its next meeting, 7 p.m., Jan. 19, at Nankin Mills Nature Center, 33175 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland. The movie reveals why butterflies will come to your yard and what they do there. Parking on Hines Drive or Ann Arbor Trail. \$3 for non-members. For more information visit www.sembabutterfly.com or call (734) 326-0578.

# **GARDEN EVENTS**

Pat Krueger, a member of

caring for orchids at the next

Club. It starts at 7 p.m.,

welcome.

**GARDEN TRIP** 

meeting of the Livonia Garden

Tuesday, Feb. 1, at the Livonia

Senior Center, Five Mile and

Party Animal Travel is

accepting registration now

for the The Garden Club of

North American Flower and

Garden Show, Friday, March

4 in Chicago, Ill. Cost is \$88

and includes motorcoach

transportation, time for

Wayne County trip to the

Farmington Road. Visitors are

shopping and admission to the show, which will include garden displays, Master Gardeners and more than 100 informational booths. For more information call (734) 525-9777.

#### **AT ENGLISH GARDENS**

See a free presentation on arranging fresh flowers at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22 at all stores except Brighton and Eastpointe locations. At 2:30 p.m. that same day, a Make it & Take it workshop on floral arranging is planned. The store will provide everything needed to design a gorgeous fresh flower arrangement with a touch of spring. The workshop costs \$24.99. Sign up online. Other upcoming programs:

• Learn to attract birds and wildlife to your yard through a free presentation at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 29.

• Youngsters can choose between a pine cone or orange cup bird feeder in a Make it & Take it workshop at 2:30 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 29. Cost is \$5. Sign up online.

Local English Gardens stores are at 155 N. Maple, Ann Arbor, (734) 332-7900; 4901 Coolidge Highway, Royal Oak, (248) 280-9500; and 6370 Orchard Lake Road, at Maple, in West Bloomfield; (248) 851-7506.



Age December 22, 2010. Visitation Friday, January 21st, 4-8PM at the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, 23720 Farmington Rd. (btwn 9-10 Mile Rds., N. of Grand River) downtown Farmington. Memorial tributes are suggested to the charity of the donor's choice. heeney-sundquist.com

#### **MYRTLE DESMELIK**

Farmington and member of Grand River Baptist Church; died Monday, January 10, 2011 at her niece's home in Cottonwood, AZ. She was born on December 27, 1907 in Taylorsville, NC., to Alfred and Beulah Carter Boston. After a career as a registered nurse, her zest for living continued in the many hobbies she pursued, such as, collecting dolls, wood carving and oil painting. She entertained as a member of the Farmington Dancers, and as a clown in the Farmington Parade. She is survived by her sister, Jean Brink of Marshall, MI; her niece, Judy Cowan of Cottonwood, AZ and many other nieces and nephews. Myrtle is preceded in death by her husband Michael, parents, five sisters, Paralee Sharp, Esther Asher. Alice Ava Brown, Daisy Chavez, Ann Sanocki; and her brother, Glenn Boston, A Celebration of Myrtle's life will be Wednesday, January 19th, 12 Noon at the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, 23720 Farmington Rd. (N. of Grand River; btwn 9-10 Mile Rds.), downtown Farmington (248-474-5200). Pastor Mike Donahue officiating. Visitation Tuesday 5-8 PM and Wednesday 10 AM until the time of the service. Interment Glen Eden Memorial Park, Livonia. heeney-sundquist.com



LEWIS I. (BUD) HARTSHORN, SR.

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April 30, 1919 to January 5, 2011. Bud was preceded in death by his father, George Irving Hartshorn; his mother, rletta Knoles; brother Edward B Herrington and his wife, Mable. He was the beloved father of Klotvida Phillippi and Lewis I. (Naomi) Harshorn, Jr. Beloved grandfather of Karen (Matt) McAmmond, Kristin (Doug) Clark, Jennifer (Bryan) Honeycut and Marlon Hartshorn. He was the great grandfather of Tyler McAmmond, Michael Clark; Kendall, Lindsey, Alyssa and Luke Honeycutt. He was a favorite uncle of many, many nieces and nephews in the extended Basch family. He is also survived by several of his cousins in the Steward s (Debra) Rowcliff of Brandon, MS. Lewis was a Master Sergeant in the U.S. Army Signal Corps during World War II. He ived in Rochester, MI until 1965 and then moved to various southern states. He returned to Michigan in 2006 and resided at the Plymouth Inn, an assisted living facility in Plymouth. He died there peacefully in the wonderful care of the nurses and staff of the Inn and of Angela Hospice of Livonia. Bud's cremated remains will be interred in the Mt. Avon Cemetery in Rochester on March 18. Family and friends will gather for a celebration of his life at his daughter's home in Plymouth on March 19. Donations may be made in Bud's name to Angela

Passed away on January 8, 2011 at the age of 89. She is survived by son Daniel & Sharon Marcrum, daughter Marilyn Marcrum, granddaughter Renee' O'Rourke, grandsons Andrew & Joseph Bresinski, brother James & Katherine Stasevich, and many nephews and nieces. Visitation will be held at Harry J. Will, 37000 6 Mile Rd., Livonia (734-591-3700) Wednesday, January 12th, 5pm-9pm; Thursday, January 13th, 1pm-9pm, PARAS-TAS at 7:30 PM. Friday, January 14th Body in State 10 AM Funeral Service 11 AM at St. Michael Orthodox the Archangel Orthodox Church, 26355 W. Chicago in Redford, MI (between Inkster & Beech Daly). Donations may be made to: Paws with a Cause<sup>™</sup>

www.pawswithacause.org or to St. Michael the Archangel

Orthodox Church

# WILLIAM T. "BILL" MOORE

Age 67. January 10, 2011. Bill is an employee of Bill Brown Ford. He is survived by his loving wife Debbie(s) and cherished children John (Ruthanne), Cheryl, and Susan (Joseph) Aumiller. Memorial Visitation will be held Friday from 12-3pm at Harry J. Will Funeral Home, 37000 Six Mile Rd., Livonia, with a memorial service at 11am on Friday. Please share a message

# **MORISEY SLATER**

Born December 11, 1912, in Clinton, N.C., passed away quietly in her sleep at Carolina Meadows Health Care Center in Chapel Hill, N.C. on January 12, 2011. Gibbs was preceded in death by her beloved husband. John Gary Slater; her parents, Virginia Elizabeth Beaman and James Kenan Morisey; brothers James Kenan Morisey and John Cornelison Morisey and sister Elizabeth Morisey Dunning. She is survived by her sons John Slater (Cathy) of Little Rock, Arkansas; Richard Slater (Peggy) of Iroy, Michigan; Robert Slater (Jane) of Chapel Hill, N.C.; daughters, Mary Gibbs Slater of Boston, Mass., Jane Slater Remsburg (Raine) of Winston-Salem, N.C. Survivors also include 10 grandchildren and 2 step-grandchildren, 5 great-grandchildren and 2 step-great-grandchildren, and many loving nieces and nephews. Gibbs spent her childhood years in Clinton, North Carolina, surrounded by a large circle of extended family. There was music in the home as her mother taught the piano, and no one loved the piano more than Gibbs. A gifted musician who played by ear, she also studied music theory at the North Carolina College for Women (now the College for Women (now the University of North Carolina at Greensboro), where she used her tal-

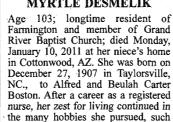
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**JACK EDWARD HARTKE** 

Grandparents are Bruce



# LINDA CORKINS 60, of Farmington Hills,

born Nov. 18, 2010, at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak.

Jack joins his parents, Brandon and Amanda Hartke, and sibling, Sydney, 2, at home in Novi.

and Mary Barnes of Rochester Hills and Mike and Toni Hartke of Plymouth. Greatgrandparents are Ethel Barnes of Rochester and Joan Barton of Belleville.

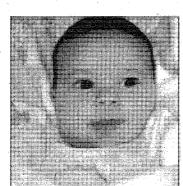
# **ELIZABETH ANN HENDERSON**

Elizabeth Ann Henderson was born Oct. 19, 2010, at University of Michigan Mott Children's Hospital.

She joins her parents, Brandon and Michelle, and her siblings, Tyler, 14, Gabriel, 4 and Gavin, 2, at home in Canton.

Proud grandparents are Jay and Cheryl Henderson of Livonia and Jerry and Katherine Becklehamer of Westland.

Great-grandparents are Donald Holman of Van Buren Township and Robert and Shirley Vierk of Westland.



**Elizabeth Ann Henderson** 



Oscar is a mellow, friendly dog.

Blue, 4, is sweet and lovable.

# **ADOPTABLE GREYHOUNDS**

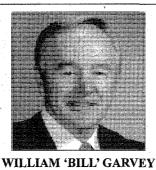
Blue and Oscar are the featured dogs this week at Greyheart Greyhound Rescue and Adoption. Here's what volunteers say about them:

Blue, 4, is a lovely brindle colored Greyhound. She is lovable, sweet, curious and playful.

Oscar, 21/2, also is brindle colored. He's friendly, laid back and would make a perfect family companion.

If you're interested in finding out more about Blue and Oscar, call Greyheart Greyhound Rescue and Adoption at (866) 438-4739 or visit www.greyheart.org. The organization will hold "Meet N' Greet" adoption

events from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 6 at Canton Petco, 43435 Ford Road, and 12:30-4:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 13, at Celebrity Pets in Laurel Park Place, 37700 W. Six Mile, Livonia.



Longtime resident of Livonia, passed away at age 85 on January 7, 2011 at Clare Bridge Alzheimer's Care Center in suburban Denver, CO. Bill was born September 26, 1925 in Detroit, MI. The third of five children, he grew up during the Great Depression. His father died when he was thirteen and his mother worked at Ford to make ends meet. Bill graduated from Mackenzie High School in 1943. He served in the Navy during WWII as an electrician's mate onboard the USS Alioth, a supply ship stationed in the Pacific. He returned to Detroit after the war and married his high school sweetheart, Ruth Von Gunten, in 1946. They moved to Livonia in 1959. Bill graduated from Lawrence Tech in 1951 with a degree in electrical engineering. He worked 34 years at Detroit Edison, retiring in 1986 as a Superintendent of Operations. Ruth predeceased Bill in June 2005. Bill is survived by his children and their spouses; William (Pat), Glenn (Sandy), Janet (Jack) and Richard (Gale); eight grandchildren; 5 great-grand-children, his sister Pat Ross and many other family and friends. He was a loving husband and devoted father. Bill loved to hunt and

fish and craft beautiful bamboo fishing rods. He and Ruth traveled across the United States in a series of Chevy Suburbans and later in life, he lived his dream of fly fishing out west and in Alaska. He will be missed. Bill will be laid to rest alongside Ruth at Parkview Memorial Cemetery, 34205 Five Mile Road, Livonia. Visitation will be Saturday, February 5 from 1:00pm -4:00pm with a memorial service from 4:00pm - 5:00pm at L. J. Griffin Funeral Home, 7707 N Middlebelt Rd., Westland, MI 48185 (734) 522-9400.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the "Pere Marquette Watershed Council".

www.peremarquette.org or the Alzheimer's Association www.alz.org



# JOSEPHINE MAGUIRE HAWTHORNE

Age 85, born October 1, 1925, in Anyox, British Columbia. Passed away January 7, 2011. Current resident of Vero Beach, Florida and Northville, Michigan. Long time resi-dent of Dearborn, Michigan, and Windsor, Ontario. Graduated from ondon School of Nursing. Served as Head Emergency Nurse for over 40 years at Oakwood Hospital and Henry ord Hospital in Dearborn. She assisted in the development of one of America's first triage units at Henry ord Hospital. She was also a founding member of St. James United Church of Christ. President of the Teacher Association for Parent Dearborn Public Schools. Daughter to Joseph and Nancy Maguire and sister of Rose Mary and Joseph. Married to the late William Hawthorne in 1948. Dear mother of Barry T. Hawthorne and Bruce N. Hawthorne. Adored by her grandchildren: Brian; Catherine; Hannah; Jessica and great-grandchildren: Dagny; Avery; and Elizabeth. Josephine's laugh, smile and tremendous kindness will always be remembered. Services will be held Thursday, January 13 at 2:00pm at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, 37000 Six Mile Rd, Livonia, MI, 48152. Please visit: www.harryjwillfuneralhome.com

with the family at: www.harryjwillfueneralhome.com

### **RUTH E. RIEHL**

Age 94, of Brighton, passed away peacefully Jan. 11, 2011. Services were held Jan. 14, 2011 at: Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. of

South Lyon (248) 446-1171

## BURLENE SALISBURY

Age 91. Passed January 8, 2011. Loving wife of the late William. Dear mother of Terry (Fran) King, Chuck (Marsha) King, Keith (Dana) King, William Salisbury, Shawn (Janet) Salisbury. Preceded in death by sons Burl, David, and Paul (Kathy) King. Also survived by 22 grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren. The family has entrusted care and services to the LJ Griffin Funeral Home, Westland, MI.



JOAN PERRY SNYDER Age 84, passed on January 11, 2011. Beloved wife of the late Robert; dear mother of Carol (William) Jarocha, Susan (Mike) Keller, and the late Robert Jr; dearest grandmother of Stacey and Heather Jarocha, Amy, Jeffrey, Julie, and Tommy Keller and Ashley, Steven, Matthew, and Andrew Snyder; loving sister of Ray (Betty) Perry. Family will have a visitation Thursday 6pm until the time of their memorial service at 7 pm at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, 37000 Six Mile Road, Livonia. Family appreciates memorials to the University of Michigan Alumni Association.



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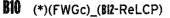
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formal education after her first year of college. She then took a business course and put her skills to good use when she began working for Congressman Graham Barden from New Bern, North Carolina, and Washington, D.C. While working on Capitol Hill, she was introduced by Congressman Barden to future husband John, who was from the Congressman's home district in New Bern. John had graduated from UNC Chapel Hill, and was working for Eastman Chemical Company. His job was to develop applications and introduce a new material called "plastics" into the automobile industry in Detroit, a distinction for which he was later inducted into the International Plastics Hall of Fame. Gibbs was of invaluable support to John as he helped nurture this new industry. The couple made their home in Birmingham, Michigan, for over forty years, rearing five children and enjoy ing a rich and full life. Gibbs and John returned to their home state of North Carolina following John's retirement to be close to relatives and friends. During this time Gibbs was active in the PEO Sisterhood and the University Presbyterian Church of Chapel Hill. Together, they traveled and lived abroad in Kenya and Guatemala as John served in the International Executive Service Corps. Those who knew Gibbs will remember the way she loved bringing people together around the piano. She made a room come alive with her ability to play requests from her audience, whether it was at a UNC function, a church affair, a Carolina Meadows' event, or at home with friends and family. To help ensure that others would not have their musical education cut short as she did, Gibbs established a scholarship at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro School of Music. Later in life Gibbs received special recognition from her grandson and his band when they named their group the "Emma Gibbs Band.' Known later throughout the Southeast; the band got its start practicing in her garage where Gibbs enjoyed serving them her famous chocolate squares. Gibbs' faith, her family and friends, and her love of music were the foun-dations of her life. There will be a graveside service in her hometown of Clinton, NC on Monday, January 17th. A memorial service will be held at Carolina Meadows on Tuesday January 18th. Memorial donations may be made to PEO Educational Loan Fund and sent in care of Mrs. Susan Mattern, PEO Treasurer,

76527 Rice, Chapel Hill, NC 27517







# Breast cancer survivors sought for study

Jody Conradi Stark, a Ph.D. candidate in music education music therapy at Michigan State University seeks breast cancer survivors for a dissertation study.

Stark is site director of Music Therapy Clinical Services at MSU Community Music School in Detroit and president of Creative Arts Therapies, Inc., a company she started in 1991 that provides contractual music, dance-movement, and art therapy services to agencies throughout Southeastern Michigan. Her study is titled "The Effects of Group Music Therapy on Mood, Psychosocial Well-Being, and Quality of Life of Breast Cancer Survivors." She is looking for women who have finished treatment for breast cancer within the last year to attend music therapy group

sessions that will run 60-90 minutes

sions will incorporate music creating

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and will be held for six weeks. The ses-

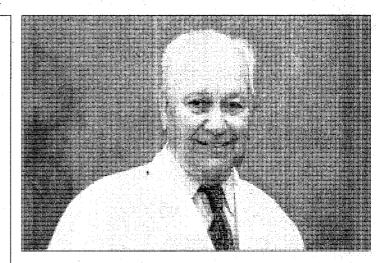
**MEDICAL DATEBOOK** 

Groups will take place at MSU's Community Music School-Detroit Music Therapy Clinic, 3408 Woodward Ave., in midtown Detroit, or at another metro Detroit location if it's more convenient for participants. Individual therapy sessions may also be offered.

No prior music experience is required. For more information call Stark at (313) 578-9719 or e-mail to starkjo2@ msu.edu.

# HAVE A STORY IDEA?

Contact Editor, Sharon Dargay Voice Mail: (313) 222-8883 E-mail: sdargay@hometownlife.com Comment online at hometownlife.com



Dr. Steven William Paris was honored recently for 45 years of service.

Staff officers named

# JANUARY

# Alzheimer's caregivers

Jeanne Trumpe of Comfort Keepers will talk about in-home health services at the next meeting of the St. John's support group for the caregivers of Alzheimer's patients and other forms of dementia, 10 a.m.-noon, Friday, Jan. 21, at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 Sheldon, Plymouth. The support group meets the first and third Friday of the month and is open to anyone responsible for the care of a dementia patient. The Alzheimer's Association sponsors the meetings. Free respite care is provided for the caregiver's loved one.

# Health seminar

Learn why exercise is important to your health and try out a few simple exercises at a free health seminar at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 17, at Cherry Hill Seventh-day Adventist Church, 33144 Cherry Hill, east of Venoy in Canton. Jeanie Weaver will teach the session. Participants should dress comfortably. For more information call (734) 524-0880 or (734) 329-2884.

# FEBRUARY Baby Basics

Get the basics of baby care and breastfeeding all in one class, at 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 5, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. This class is designed for first time parents to learn the skills of feeding, bathing, diapering, skin care, soothing and safety. A St. Mary Mercy Hospital certified pediatrician will discuss infant illness and child immunization. New parents will learn breastfeeding techniques including positioning, pumping, storage and breast care. Participants should bring a stuffed animal or doll to use during a demonstration on how to hold the baby when breastfeeding. There will be a 45-minute lunch break during the class. This class is open to anyone who cares for an infant. The fee is \$50 per couple. Registration is required. Call (734) 655-1162, or register online at stmarymercy.org and click on "classes and events."

#### Ladies' Night

Dr. Barbara Kong will be the speaker at "The Heart of a Woman," 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 16, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. Bone density screening, blood pressure screening and massage will be offered from 5:30-7 p.m. Participants will learn to identify the unique signs and symptoms of a heart attack and the simple steps needed for a healthy lifestyle that can improve heart health. There is no charge, but a. \$5 goodwill donation is requested to benefit Marian Women's Center Programs. Register at (734) 655-1182 or stmarymercy.org and click on "classes and events."

# ONGOING Aquatic classes

The YMCA of Metropolitan Detroit and the Arthritis Foundation have partnered to offer aquatic classes designed to ease the pain of arthritis. Classes are held 10-11 a.m., Tuesday and Thursday at the Farmington branch; 1-1:45 p.m. Monday and Wednesday at the Livonia branch; and 2-3 p.m. Wednesday and Friday, at the Birmingham branch. All classes are offered to members and non-members of every age and participants do not need to know how to swim to participate. To join, interested individuals can contact their local YMCA branch or visit www.ymcadetroit.org.

## Arthritis support group

2-3:30 p.m. the third Thursday of the month at the Krieger Center, DMC Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital, 1 William Carls Dr., Commerce. Enter the building via the South Garden entrance. Registration not required.

## Breast cancer support group

Meets 6:30-8 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month in the Atrium of Our Lady of Hope Cancer Center, St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile (use south entrance off Levan Road), Livonia. Call (734) 655-1100, or visit www.stmarymercy.org.

# Caregivers support groups

St. John's Support Group for the Caregivers of Alzheimer's Patients or patients with other forms of dementia meet the first and third Friday of each month at 10 a.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 South Sheldon, Plymouth. Respite care for your loved one will be provided. Call Connie McNutt at (734) 895-1426 for information. Authorized by the Alzheimer's Association. St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia named medical staff officers and honored physicians for their years of service at an installation dinner this month.

New officers are: • Dr. Peter Dews, will serve as vice president of medical affairs. He received his medical degree and completed his residency in internal medicine at Wayne State University and is board certified in internal medicine. He has broad expertise and experience in clinical medicine, health care administration, quality management, program evaluation methods and scientific research. He has been on staff at St. Mary Mercy since April 2009.

• Dr. Louis Hallal, who received his medical degree from the University of Damascus, will serve as chief of staff. He completed his residency in surgery at Interfaith Medical Center and his fellowship in thoracic surgery at Baylor University Medical Center. He is board certified in surgery by the American Board of Surgery and on staff at St. Mary Mercy Hospital since 1995.

• Dr. K.C. Joseph will serve as chief of staff-elect. He received his medical degree from the University of Kerala T.D. Medical College, Alleppey, Kerala, India, and completed an internal medicine residency at Sinai-Grace Hospital, Detroit. He is board certified in psychiatry, neurology, and geriatric psychiatry. He has been on staff at St. Mary Mercy Hospital since 1995.

• Dr. Jay Daitch, will serve as secretary/treasurer. He received his medical degree from the University of Michigan Medical School and completed an internal medicine residency at Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., and nephrology fellowship at the University of Michigan Hospital. He is board certified in internal medicine and has been on staff at St. Mary Mercy Hospital since 1979. Physicians celebrating 10 to

45 years of service were also honored. Top recognition went to Dr. S. William Paris, M.D., Allergy-Immunology, with 45 years of service.

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(L to R) FOUR SEASONS THERAPIST APARNA GOPALAKRISHNAN WITH BETY ILTIS OF LIVONIA



SHIRLEY RODRIGUEZ OF GARDEN CITY

Quality Care Provided by Outstanding Staff Betty Iltis came to Four Seasons for physical therapy after pacemaker surgery and five weeks in the hospital. Betty's muscles had weakened to the point that she needed a wheelchair. Today, she is walking around her Livonia apartment.

"They went out of their way to teach me not only the physical part of walking but how to pace myself, to take a rest when

# 66 ... (the staff) went out of their way to teach me ... how to pace myself... ??

I started to breathe hard," said Iltis. "They said you have to pace yourself because of your heart. They made my heart part of the treatment. From the nurses to doctors to staff, they go out of their way to help. They were just so friendly."

Shirley Rodriguez was only in physical therapy at Four Seasons for two weeks after hip replacement. Before surgery and rehabilitative therapy, Shirley was unable to lift her leg to put on a sock. Today, she is able to walk without assistance because of the physical therapy. Occupational therapy helped strengthen her muscles to perform daily living tasks. "Rehab got me back on my feet and walking, " said Rodriguez

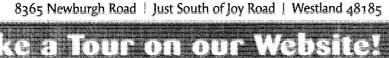
of Garden City. "I had to walk with the walker, exercise my legs with weights. They taught me how to stand by the sink and get my balance and get glasses and plates from the cupboards."

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