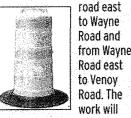


IN BRIEF Orange alert

The orange construction barrels are scheduled to begin going up on Glenwood beginning Monday, weather and frost laws permitting. The construction will be on Glenwood just east of Newburgh from the C&O rail-



work will begin with setting up traffic control signs, removing the south lane of pavement along **Glenwood from Treadwell to** Wayne Road and pulverizing the existing asphalt.

"Construction takes patience but we hope this short-term inconvenience will result in a long-term satisfaction for those who live and drive through Westland," said Mayor William Wild.

This work is expected to take two weeks. Construction of the water main will follow and take an additional three weeks. Status updates on the progression of the project will be provided through Nixle. Residents can register for free Nixle alerts in the city's website: www.cityofwestland. COM

All questions and concerns about the project can be directed to Westland **Department of Public Services Deputy Director Benny**

Low turnout expected for W-W school election

BY SUE MASON **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Even with a crowd of candidates seeking two four-year terms on the Wayne-Westland school board, Westland City Clerk Eileen DeHart Schoof doesn't expect a large turnout.

Her prediction is that between 5 and 7 percent of the estimated 42,000 registered voters in Westland portion of the district will go to the polls in the annual school election on Tuesday, May

"It won't be anymore than usual," said DeHart Schoof, who has been handling the school district elections



for several years. "We have about 1,400 absentee ballots back and that's kind of normal." The field of candidates includes no incumbents. Martha Pitsenbarger resigned her seat earlier this year

because of her husband's illness and Skip Monit opted not to stage a writein campaign after being disqualified for not having enough signatures of registered voters on his petition. Vying for a seat on the board are

retired teacher Thomas Buckalew of Wayne, stay-at-home mom Andrea Clawson, Value City store manager Scott Davis, retiree Harold Dunn, former Westland mayor and city councilman Charles "Tray" Griffin and Jeffrey Hayton, a state employee who was appointed to serve the remaining months of Pitsenbarger's term.

Residents who are unable to go the poll on Tuesday can vote by absentee ballot up until 4 p.m. Monday at the clerk's office in Westland City Hall.

According to DeHart, whether a few or a lot of voters turnout, the cost of an election is usually the same. However, residents need to participate because

"voting is their voice."

"The world is run by people who turn out," she said.

Polls in the district, which includes the city of Wayne and portions of Westland, Canton Township, Romulus, Dearborn Heights and Inkster, will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Election Day. Unlike local, state and national elections, the clerk's office and Westland City Hall will be open for business as usual on Tuesday.

'We'll be doing our regular things, plus the school election," DeHart Schoof said.

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Farmers Market returns on **Tuesday**

> **BY LEANNE ROGERS OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

The old joke is that April showers bring May flowers/ and in Westland, shoppers can find those flowers at the Farmers Market which opens on Tuesday in the City Hall parking lot.

'We didn't start until June last year with it being the first year. Right now, we have 15-16 vendors confirmed. We'll get more as the season passes, said Westland Parks and **Recreation Director Robert** Kosowski. "The weather has been so bad lately that the crops are a little less. Some of the farmers called and they don't have the crops yet." Open Tuesdays 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. through the end of October, the second year for the market includes the move to the parking lot west of City Hall on Ford west of Central City Parkway. Last year, the market was located in the east parking of Westland Shopping Center. "Once people see the market on the City Ĥall grounds, it will be packed. There is such visibility. There are 36,000 cars that go by every day," said Kosowski.

McCusker at (734) 728-1770.-

The project consists of installation of a water main and the resurfacing of Glenwood. An intergovernmental agreement between Wayne County, the City of Wayne and the City of Westland, includes a \$4 million water main that is being installed and funded by the **Detroit Water and Sewerage** Department. DWSD has also agreed to pay the local share match monies for Wayne and Westland, totaling \$494,000 for allowing them to include the water main as part of this federally funded road project.

Teen volunteers

The William P. Faust Public Library is looking for teen volunteers to help with the 2011 Summer Reading Program, "One World, Many Stories."

Volunteers will help in the Children's Department and assist at many of the summer events. This is an opportunity for teens to earn valuable experience and service hours for their school or community organization.

Candidates should currently be in the eighth grade or above. All volunteers are asked to attend one of three training sessions: Monday, May 23, Wednesday, June 1, or Thursday, June 2.

Applications are now available at the library and may also be downloaded from the library's website, www. westlandlibrary.org, and should be submitted prior to your preferred training session. Contact claire.mueller@ westlandlibrary.org for more information.

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A crowd of royal watchers witness Prince William and Kate Middleton's nuptials at a gethering at the Sweet Afton Tea Room Friday morning.

Sweet Afton crowd 'crashes' royal wedding

BY BRAD KADRICH **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Britain's Prince William and Kate Middleton exchanged their vows around 6:20 a.m. Friday in an ornate cathedral with some 1,900 people in attendance.

An ocean away, Katie Symanow of Plymouth sat with her sister, Megan, watched the proceedings on a 57-inch television in the Sweet Afton Tea Room, gathered with three dozen others who arrived around 4 a.m. to watch the Royal Wedding, with an eye on her own wedding, three weeks hence.

Symanow was all smiles watching the vintage cars and horse-drawn carriages. and Middleton's beautiful wedding gown, knowing her own wedding May 20 at St. Joseph Church in Dearborn will be much less ornate, if no less beautiful.

"It's nice to see a wedding with no budget, because mine's definitely on a budget," Symanow said with a laugh. "It's just fun.

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Paul Simmons is a regular at the tea room, although not at 5 a.m. The Westland resident is something of an Anglophile.

Along with vendors selling produce, flowers and other goods, Kosowski said he is working on getting other attractions for the market

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Five candidates seek library director post

BY LEANNE ROGERS **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

The field of applicants interested in becoming director of Westland's Faust Library has been narrowed to five candidates.

The Library Board reviewed the 10 applications received and selected five to move on for further consideration. Those five candidates were contacted for releases to undergo a background check and provide salary information.

'We haven't decided if we'll reduce the number further or interview all five," said Library Board President Leslie Bell. "We may possibly send a few questions by e-mail or by phone."

The Library Board wasn't releasing the name of the director candidates at this time to avoid

causing problems with their current employers, said Bell.

The five candidates include some who are currently located out of state. Interim Library Director Marilyn Kwik was not among the applicants for the permanent position.

The director position has been vacant since Cheryl Napsha left in November to become director of the Provincetown, Mass., library.

Bell expects the Library Board will hold another study session to establish the next step in their process such as how many candidates will be interviewed and selecting interview questions.

"Having a director on board by the start of the fiscal year (July 1) would be ideal," said Bell.

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In this economy everything is so sad, it's nice to have something fun to focus on."

The Symanow sisters were among 36 people who made reservations at Sweet Afton Tea Room to view the wedding. The doors opened at 4 a.m., and people were already waiting. Phyllis Wilkerson, who owns the tea room with her husband, said she wasn't the least bit surprised the event sold out.

Of course, Wilkerson might think so. After all, she pulled her two young daughters out of bed 30 years ago for another Royal Wedding, that of Prince Charles and Diana Spencer.

"I'm not at all surprised," Wilkerson said. "I've always been interested in the history of the Royal Family. Everybody is into the royal wedding.

That's certainly true for Mona Nepiuk of Plymouth, who said she arrived at the tea room at 3:55 a.m. She watched Charles and Di's wedding at home because she had two young children. She said watching the wedding at Sweet Afton was the "next best thing" to actually being there.

"It's like being with Cinderella at Disneyland," Nepiuk said. "The whole Royal Family is such a special thing. It's certainly different even than what we do at the White House."

Nepiuk was with her friend, Lillian Berlin of Plymouth, who said the saga of Princess Di's children "has captured my



heart." Besides, she said, it was nice to have something positive to focus on in a troubled world.

"I love the British royalty, the pomp and circumstance," said Berlin, who sported a grand hat she bought in New York. "The world needs something positive right now. Besides," she added, smiling, "we got to wear our hats."

Paul Simmons of Westland is a regular at Sweet Afton Tea Room. A former Plymouth resident with a degree in history (along with majors in French and English) from Wayne State University, Simmons, the only man among the watchers, said he thought watching the Royal Wedding on the bigscreen TV "would be fun."

Tracie Morris of Redford had more of a professional interest. A wedding planner whose biggest challenge to date has been a 600-guest wedding, Morris watched to see how such a large production came together.

"This is way off the Richter scale (of wedding planning challenges)," Morris said. "The hardest part would be making sure the proper etiquette is

Megan Symanow and Katie Symanow are sisters, from Plymouth. Katie's wedding is in three weeks. Their parents, David and Carolyn Symanow were married about the same time as Prince Charles and Lady Diana. "Theirs

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followed, and coordinating all those people. It would be the challenge of a lifetime." The biggest challenge for

Robin Long of Livonia may have been getting her son, fifth-grader Patrick, out of bed in time to get there to watch the wedding. A history teacher at Northville's Amerman Elementary, where her son is also a student, Long said the historical aspect of the wedding, and the nature of the Royal Family, drew her to the event.

"As a history teacher, it's the future king and queen," she said. "I've always been a fan of the Royals, and I remember Diana. We decided to come and have some early morning fun."

Her son, Patrick, sat quietly in the back of the room, rising early so he could have his ride to school. He said he was happy to do it for his mom, and even thought it was interesting. But his mom acknowledge her son's gift.

We'll do something for him later," she said, laughing. "I owe him big time.'

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"It's really a great opportunity. We're pumped about it,"

this year."

Westland man to face trial in Norwayne shooting incident

BY LEANNE ROGERS **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

A Westland has been ordered to stand trial on four felonies stemming from a shooting in his Norwayne neighborhood.

Tadariel Harvey Jr., 29, waived his preliminary examination Thursday in Westland 18th District Court and was bound over to Wayne County Circuit Court for trial. Harvey is charged with two counts of felonious assault, one count of felony firearm and one charge of reckless use of a firearm. Judge Sandra Cicirelli

rejected a defense motion seeking bond reconsideration for Harvey, held in lieu of a \$75,000 cash/surety bond since his April 19 arrest. The judge did agree to refer Harvey to pretrial screening services which will review the bond. Harvey is charged with

firing shots at neighbors in

the 32000 block of Genessee Court. A couple who live in one of the duplexes was reported to be having an argument in their driveway with their three children nearby.

A man approached the couple and attempted to get involved in their argument, according to police. A second man, identified as Harvey, then approached the couple armed with a gun and fired several shots, witnesses told police.

The gunman left but returned a short time later and fired several more rounds towards the couple and their family, according to statements given to police.

Several witnesses told police that the couple's 14-year-old daughter was nearly hit with some of the bullets as was her father. The witnesses said the man never spoke but just began shooting.

Harvey was arrested near

the former Jefferson Barns **Elementary School but officers** weren't able to locate a weapon. They obtained a search warrant for Harvey's residence on Genessee Court but didn't find a weapon there either.

Once in custody, police said Harvey told them he had hidden a gun under the couch in a neighbor's home without the neighbor's knowledge. Officers located at a loaded .40-caliber gun at that neighbor's home. In his statement to police, Harvey said that his girlfriend had been outside and somehow involved in the argument with the neighboring couple. He told police he thought his girl-

friend was somehow in danger and fired at the victims to protect her but hadn't intended to harm anyone. Harvey is scheduled for

circuit court arraignment on May 5.

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Registration opens for Salvation Army day camp

BY JULIE BROWN OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Wayne-Westland Salvation Army will again offer its summer day camp for children ages 6-12.

said Andrew Barylski, director of community and youth ministries for the corps. "We have a ton of fun activities planned

Registration is currently being accepted for the camp, which camp will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. June 20 to Aug. 12, and be based at the corps building on Venoy, south of Palmer in Westland. There is a \$10 registration fee, as well as a weekly fee of \$40 per child for campers.

Activities include arts and crafts, field trips, sports, gym time, computers, Bible study, outdoor activities, music, swimming, beach visits and games. Lunch is served daily. "We are going to be going roller skating, bowling, we're

going swimming at the Bailey Center pool," Barylski said. Campers will also visit

Kensington Metropark's beach and canoe in Milford as well.

"We're going fishing. We're going to the movies. We're going to go to the Detroit Science Center," Barylski said. "The thinking is to have fun, active activities for children during the day throughout the summer. It is to help children grow mentally and spiritually." The Detroit Tigers have donated some 60 tickets for

camp use, said Capt. Derek Rose, corps commander with his wife, Joanna.

"That would be specific tickets in our day camp program," Derek Rose said. "I appreciate when national sports teams get involved in community efforts."

The Tigers tickets are for the July 20 game against the Oakland Athletics.

Additional information about the summer day camp is available at (734) 722-3660, ext. 110. The Salvation Army also welcomes donations to support the camp. They can be mailed to the Wayne-Westland Salvation Army, 2300 S. Venoy, Westland, MI 48186.

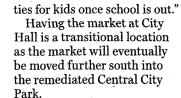
"We've been registering a few families already," Barylski said.

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instructional programs. "We'll have the one man band again, entertainment and presentations. We will have a whole variety of programs," said Kosowski. "We'll have arts and crafts and activi-



"The long-term plan is to put the market in the park. If we get the Department of Natural Resources grant for what I call the plaza, the market could go in there next year," said

Kosowski. The rates for vendors partici-

pating in the market have been reduced this year - \$300 for the season down from \$400 last year and \$25 per day, down

\$5 from last year. For additional information or applications, visit www. cityofwestland.com or contact Kosowski at (734) 722-7620.

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Wayne thespians set to perform 'Hairspray'

BY SUE MASON OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

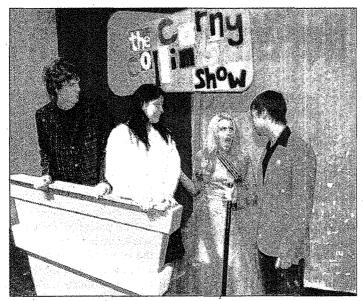
It might look like a car show around Wayne Memorial High School's Stockmeyer Auditorium Saturday, and it is, but there will be no prizes for the best-decked out ride. The display will be to help promote the Wayne Memorial Theatrical Guild's weekend production of Hairspray.

"The costumes have come together and the choreography is complete," said director Katie Sullivan. "We anticipate having classic cars on display that people can look at and tie it in with the show.'

According to Sullivan, Hairspray is a show about segregation and overcoming obstacles. Set in the 1960s, it's "really a glimpse as to what was going on and how people acted," she said.

"Tracy is all about working with all people she comes across and in the end she realizes people need to unite and come together," Sullivan said.

English teacher Nicole



Gabriel Drake (from left) is Corney, Sunnie Patterson is Tracy, Delani Derr is Amber and Josiah Ault as Link in the Wayne Memorial High School Theatrical Guild's weekend production of "Hairspray."

Vasiloff has done the choreography with the help of several students - Kayleigh Crummey, Courtney Ozog and George Kirkpatrick "who has blossomed during rehearsals." "He's a very creative stu-

dent," said Sullivan. "He

watched the Travolta movie and came up with a creative and original dance." The vocal director is

Brandon Tomblin, the choir teacher at Wayne Memorial and Franklin Middle School. According to Sullivan, he

'HAIRSPRAY'

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, May 5-7, and noon Saturday, May 5 Location: Wayne Memorial High School's Stockmeyer Auditorium, 3001 Fourth St., Wayne Tickets: Reserved seating is \$12. Tickets can be purchased at the Stockmeyer box office 3-6 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, May 2 and 4, or by calling Katie Sullivan at (734) 419-2198, Ext. 7045. They also will be available at the door.

is "extremely talented," has unbelievable energy and a great relationship with the students.

"I'm busy and they make for less stress on my plate," she added. "I couldn't do the show without Nicole and Brandon and the other people involved in the production.

Those other people include the assistant directors — Crummey, Renee Hartert and Josiah Ault. The trio serve as

"go-betweeners," doing such things as keeping attendance, organizing behind the scenes, and doing prop lists.

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"Most of the stuff we come up with on the spot," said Crummey from Westland. "I see them and it inspires me. I've got a really big passion for the theater. There's nothing I'm more passionate about than the arts."

Hartert started in the theater at age 5. She believes she was born to act and born to be on stage. She plans to study theater and believes that her work as an assistant will better prepare her for college.

"It also helps in the theater world to have experience in more than one category," she said.

Hartert admits that it's very stressful during rehearsals. The assistant directors try to be authoritative while maintaining friendships. If something comes up, they handle it. If someone bickers because it's hot, it's just a disagreement, she said.

"We want it to be fun but

we know we have to get things done," said Hartert, a senior from Westland.

Ault, a sophomore, has been in two productions at Wayne Memorial. Stepping up to the role of an assistant director was a good opportunity. Pretty much friends with everyone in the cast, he said he doesn't try to be controlling, but rather level-headed and calm.

"I thought it would be fun, a plus," said the Wayne resident. "Some days are easy and some days are hard but overall it's one of the best experiences in my life. My goal now is to be an assistant director for the next two years."

For Sullivan, the trick has been staging a musical that isn't re-performing the movies - there have been two - or the Broadway play and she's achieved that with this production.

"This is most challenging in the set and the performance, so I thought 'Why go the easy route?" she said.

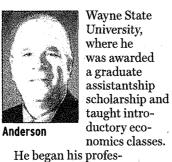
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1977 grad named JG Distinguished Alumnus

The chief economist for the state of Nevada has been tapped as John Glenn High School's Distinguished Alumnus for 2011.

William Anderson will be honored during the June 4 commencement ceremonies as well as at a Distinguished Alumnus Reception in June 3.

Anderson attended elementary, junior high, and high school in the Wayne-Westland Community Schools, graduating from John Glenn in 1977. He went on to study economics and political science at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, receiving a receive his bachelor's degree in 1980. He completed his graduate studies in economics, earning a master's degree in 1982 from



sional career with intern-

ships on Capital Hill and in

the Congressional Research

Service in Washington, D.C.,

in 1980 and 1981. Following

graduation, he worked in the

economic development field

with the Indiana Department

of Commerce. While living in

Indianapolis, he met his wife

Sheila. They were married since

1984 and have three children -

22, a skilled-trades apprentice in the construction industry while attending Western Nevada College, and Steven, 19, a sophomore at Boise State University. Beginning in 1985, Anderson served as the assistant direc-

teacher in Reno, Nev., Brian,

tor of the Center for Regional Business Analysis and a faculty member at Penn State University. He spent two years as an economist with the City of Milwaukee Budget Office, before settling in northern Nevada in 1996 as an economist in the State Budget Office. He became the chief economist for the State in 2006. In his current position, he provides economic and financial analy-

Katie, 24, a high school English ses to the Governor's Office, State Legislature and other public policy makers.

Anderson's work has been presented in a number of professional publications and has taught economics at several colleges and universities, including Indiana-Purdue University in Indianapolis and the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

Anderson also has been involved in a number of volunteer efforts, including serving on the City of Milwaukee Hunger Task Force and the City's United Way Campaign, five years as a Little League coach, president of his church council, and serving on the Board of Director's of Nevada's Pubic Employees' Benefit Program.

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The Wavne-Westland Community School District will be accepting applications from non-resident families for Intra-County Schools of Choice for all of the elementary schools grades kindergarten through fourth for the 2011-2012 school year.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Press on about U-Verse About-face on taxes

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I want to thank all the people who called and e-mailed the Westland City Council members to let them know your opinion regarding AT&T U-Verse carrying local access channels.

The B.S. that has been used not try and hold it off is losing traction. I still feel some council members will try to stall as long as they can. Therefore, I hope you will continue to call and e-mail to let them know how you feel.

It was pointed out to me that a lot of people have left Comcast and WOW for AT&T U-Verse. I think more would also leave, if this false premise was laid to rest.

I have asked five council members to call any cities that allow all three services to carry their local access channels to ask what problems they didn't have that they seem to be worried we will have.

In the P.E.G. account, the city has \$1,350,000. This seems to blow out of the water the misstatements that are uttered at council meetings. I don't know why for almost two years U-Verse has been blocked. I'll bet Comcast and WOW are very happy. They can keep raising their customer's monthly bills with no fears.

Remember, without open and fair competition, we are all left to bled, with a little help from their friends. With your help, it will be brought to a swift end.

James Davis Westland

P.S. The school board election is May 3. Anyone who wants to vote can still go to the city clerk's office and get an absentee ballot. They won't have to worry about not being able to be there May 3 and still have their vote and voice hears and counted.

Fiscal Agency, Gov. Snyder's budget proposal contains a net individual income tax increase of \$820 million for 2011-12 and \$1.86 billion for 2012-13. Not only does it tax pensions for seniors and eliminate the Earned Income Tax Credit, it also eliminates almost all tax credits for things such as payment of city income tax, contributions to homeless shelters and food banks, payment of college tuition, and contributions to medical savings accounts.

According to the Michigan Senate

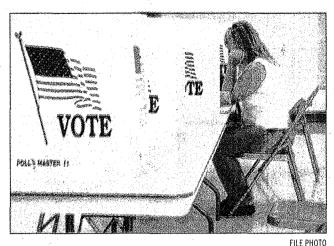
At the same time, his budget proposal guts the funding for schools and municipalities. So how will Michigan citizens feel about paying more taxes while getting less services and having their children in schools with less resources? How is this budget proposal acceptable to the Republicans who ran for office railing against tax increases?

Douglas Coates Northville

Raise not fiscally responsible

I grew up in the Livonia school district and graduated almost 30 years ago. I wanted my children to have the type of education I received. I am proud to say my oldest son is graduating this year and I have two more to get through this system. I have seen cuts in programs, busing and a plethora of other budget cuts.

I was laid off last July for the first time since 1991. I have a unique perspective of cutting back and doing what I have to do to make ends meet. I keep a roof over my children's heads, food in their stomachs and clothes on their backs. I take an interest in their school work and make sure they get the education that we, as taxpayers, deserve. With all the talk from Gov.



Wayne-Westland voters will decide among six candidates who will get two four-year terms on school board in Tuesday's annual election.

Snyder's proposal, we may be in one big heap of a mess. The general public is outraged how educators makes so much and take very little concessions. Teachers and employees of the school district earn what they make and should not be put on the hot seat to make concessions.

I did not hear of the \$50,000 raise given to Dr. Liepa last year until recently. I honestly don't know how I missed it. I would have rallied my fellow Livonians to argue this atrocity.

When a person is seeking a job and is offered a salary, they must make a decision at that time on what is an acceptable rate. If not, they simply turn it down. I'm sure Dr. Liepa knew this when he accepted the offer. If he was ignorant to what a superintendent should be paid, then why would you give him a \$50,000 raise in this economy? To bring him up to average pay for his position? This makes the school board look, quite frankly, inadequate!

To worry about Dr. Liepa being "plucked" away or "courted" by another school district is absurd. He's a nice guy and does a fine job, but \$50,000? By doing this, you have sent a clear message to the parents and the community. Dr. Liepa is not expendable, but our children's education is.

This is not about how much you think Dr. Liepa is worth; it is about fiscal responsibility. How can you honestly explain this to parents

when there are budget cuts that will affect our children's education? There was absolutely no common sense in doing this.

He will be making more than a governor, a chief justice and many other high-ranking state officials. I find this to be a very important position, but a \$50,000 raise? Is it any wonder why the state wants to cut K-12 education and have our teachers lose their bargaining power and possibly their jobs? More and more people are backing Gov. Snyder's proposal. Can you blame them after knowing this?

Now \$50,000 may be a drop in the ocean to what the budget is. But this is the real world and we need real leaders. How can we depend on our school board to make important budget decisions when a \$50,000 raise is given? President Lynda Scheel, Vice President Colleen Burton, Secretary Robert Freeman and Trustee Mark Johnson - all who voted in favor of this outrageous raise - will be remembered at their next elections. Trustees Patrice Mang and Gregory Oke should be applauded for voting against this

I pray for all the children, parents road. You have not done justice by giving Dr. Liepa this \$50,000 raise. Our children lose, we lose, Dr. Liepa gains. It's that simple.

> **David McGraw** Livonia

OUR VIEWS Time to vote

candidates to serve on the Wayne-Westland school board have been all but nonexistent. Most of the time, there have been no challengers. Some would blame it the lack of interest on Proposal A which eliminated the need for local millage elections. When it involved money, people turned out to vote.

But the past few years residents have becoming interested in what's happening in their schools,





candidates are newcomers. A few names are familiar with voters, but by and large, they are new to the school district's legislative process.

We are glad to see such an interest in serving on the board. The candidates - Thomas Buckalew, Andrea Clawson, Scott Davis, Harold Dunn, Charles "Trav" Griffin and Jeffrey Hayton - each bring something different to the race, but share an interest in doing what is right to help the district survive these tough economic times.

We have looked at the candidates closely, using the information gleaned from questionnaires and personal interviews to determine the candidates we believe will best served the students, par-Wayne-Westland Community your voice be heard.

For most of the past decade, Schools. Those candidates are Charles "Trav" Griffin and Scott Davis.

> Griffin brings to the table and understanding of public employee unions. He has been a teacher and a UniServ director for the Michigan Education Association. He also has been on the other side of the fence, having served as school board trustee and as a member of the district's Citizens Bond Oversight and Building and Site Fund committees.

> He has the knowledge to make good decisions and knows what it takes to survive a crisis, a lesson learned as the mayor of Westland. We believe he is prepared to do whatever it takes to save the school district. It will be tough, but we believe he is up to the task.

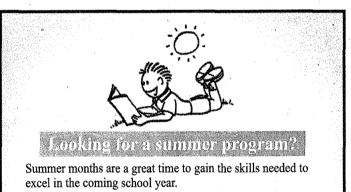
Davis has both an education and business background. As a general manager for Value City Furniture, he is keenly aware of the concept of doing more with less. His skills as a businessman has helped the Westland store remain profitable in the most difficult of times

He knows a community needs the best schools to attract families. He understands how critical the loss of more than \$14 million will to the district and is committed to the idea of making cuts that have the least amount of impact on the students. In his book, the bottom line is the students.

We urge residents to get out and vote for Charles 'Tray" Griffin and Scott Davis in Tuesday's school election. We also urge residents to take the time to go to the polls. These candidates were good enough to get involved, and so should every resident in the district. Polls are open from 7 a.m. to ents and employees of the 8 p.m., plenty of time to let

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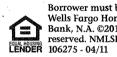
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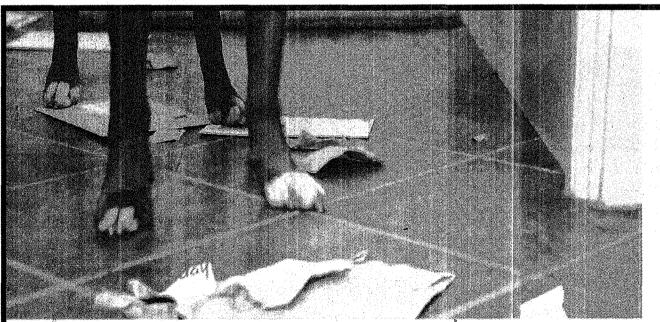
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School funding tops talk at monthly coffee hour

BY SUE BUCK **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

School funding was on Judy Michelis' mind when she stopped in on state Sen. Glenn Anderson's monthly coffee hour April 25 at the Maplewood Community Center in Garden City.

She's been there before as had a number of other Garden City residents. Anderson said that he has regulars who come to ask questions and give input.

Michelis, a grandparent of three, is watching the news closely. She is also concerned about layoff notices in Garden City Schools and subsequent class size.

"It's hard for the ones who are getting laid off," she said.

She watches and compares school districts and evaluates the pros and cons. She wonders what could be accomplished by the district if it used more volunteers.

"Mavbe we can do it," she said "There's a lot of innovation out there.'

Marty Nash has been unemployed since February 2009. He said that Anderson has helped him cut through the red tape of "No Worker Left Behind." A project engineer, Nash said that he has gone back to Lawrence Technological University to



Andrew McMechan, Marty Nash and Sen. Glenn Anderson engage in discussion during the lawmaker's coffee hour at the Maplewood Community Center.

obtain additional certifications.

Depending on the number of people who show up for his coffee hour, Anderson conducts these informal gatherings as a round table discussion, asking each person what is on his or her mind.

School aid was a prominent issue at April's meeting.

"It's a big issue." Anderson said.

Other topics are also on the forefront.

"Up until now, and there still is, a lot of concern about the tax on pensions," Anderson said. "Most people don't have a problem contributing a little bit

to help the financial situation of the state, but they don't want it to be used as a huge financial tax break. They are OK if it is going to help schools and libraries that are important to them, but not if it is going to be used for a huge corporate tax break."

Anderson also weighed in. "I have a problem with a

business not paying a tax but still has the services of police and fire. They derive benefit," Anderson said. "That's part of the problem with the governor's plan right now."

Anderson holds the coffee hours on two different Mondays in his four communities. He pairs up Westland and Redford on one day and



Walter Wigand of Livonia waits his turn to bring up some topics which concern him.

Garden City and Livonia on the other. About 10-15 people usually come out to his coffee hour in Garden City, and he draws about 30 people in Livonia.

Walter Wigand, a Livonia resident, couldn't make it to the earlier session in Livonia, so he came to Garden City to talk about "various issues."

Anderson also took a moment to remember those he met in the newspaper industry like the late and well-known Observer Newspapers photographer Art Emanuele.

"He was incredible."



Anderson, D-Westland, gives each constituent at his coffee hour his undivided attention.

Anderson said.

He pointed out that the media everywhere has reduced staffs. While before a station would send out a reporter and a cameraman, now he sees one person doing the entire job with a camera and a tripod.

"They are a one-man operation," he said. "Reduced media staffing has both resulted in less media as watchdogs over elected officials and less information in general."

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Golf outing

The Westland Fire Fighter's **Public Awareness Committee** is sponsoring a benefit golf outing for Children's Fire Safety.

The proceeds from the outing will be used to educate children about the dangers of fire and how to escape them. Throughout the year, the **Public Awareness Committee** promotes fire safety through school programs, after-school programs and the sponsorship of many other functions, both within the fire department and within the city.

"This is a great event that not only provides the major source of funding for the Public Awareness Committee, but also strives to provide a quality golf outing for attendees," said Westland Mayor William Wild. "Teaching children about fire

safety is the first step in saving lives. Children are very excited to discuss emergency plans with their family upon returning from a demonstration." The 2011 Children's Fire Safety Golf Classic will be held on Thursday, June 9, at

the Gateway Golf Club, 33290 Gateway Dr., Romulus. The cost is \$125 per person and includes lunch, dinner, refreshments and prizes. The tee time for the 4-person shotgun scramble is 8:30 a.m.

To participate in the golf outing or for fairway sponsorship information, call (734) 467-3201.

Progressive raffle

The Westland Goodfellows have added a new progressive raffle to its fund-raising efforts. In addition to its longstanding regular Bingo event, held every week at the Wayne Ford Civic Center, and poker tournaments, at Marvaso's-Electric Stick, the Goodfellows have launch an "Ace of Spades" Progressive Raffle, a 54-week event, hosted by Buffalo Wild Wings, 6677 N. Wayne Road, Westland.

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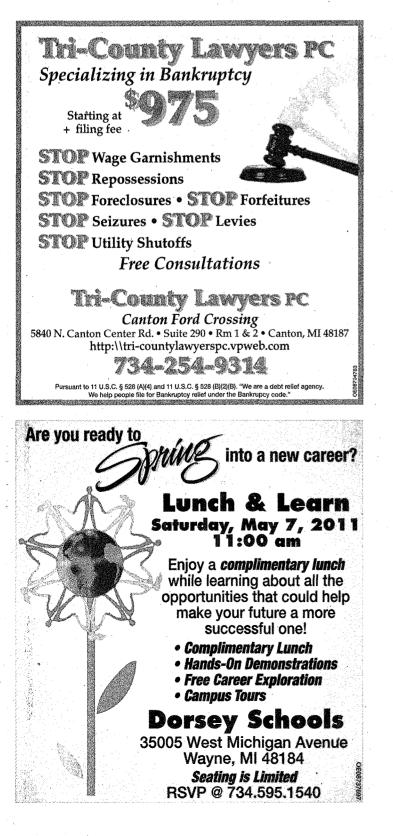
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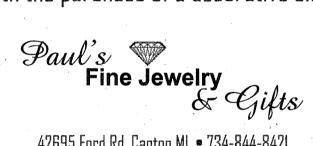
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Canton K9 to lead dog's life in retirement

BY DARRELL CLEM **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Lefty, a retiring Canton police dog, seemed a little nervous, almost reluctant, to enter a room where other K9s and their twolegged partners waited to give him a spirited send-off.

It was easy for his friends - panting, tail-wagging wellwishers - to seem celebratory. They hadn't yet been forced to retire after working nearly eight years. They hadn't faced that career-crushing, age-discriminating cutoff that pushed Lefty from a thrilling, crime-fighting career into a play-at-home pooch treated like some common dog. "He hates it. He's still ready

to go to work," Lefty's partner, **Canton Police Officer Daniel** Traylor, said. "He gets very high strung. He likes to work."

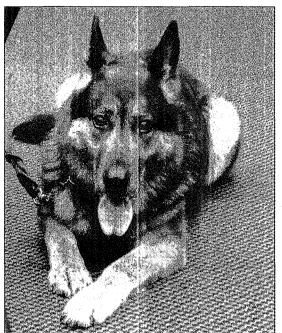
With his courage intact Tuesday evening, Lefty, a German shepherd, bravely let Traylor lead him into a Canton Township Board of Trustees meeting room where he became the center of attention as K9s and officers from Canton, Westland, Van Buren Township, Melvindale, Brownstown Township, Taylor and St. Joseph Mercy Hospital watched.

Maybe this wasn't so bad, after all, being a star. Could his own reality TV be far behind? He seemed suddenly ready for his close-up.

And doggone it, he got it. "We're here to show support for Dan and Lefty - mostly for Lefty," said Westland Police Officer Grant Allen, accompanied by K9 Ty and another Westland pair, Officer Joe Bobby and sidekick Friday.

Barb Caruso, executive assistant to Canton Public Safety Director Patrick Nemecek, brought a bone-shaped cake,. made with dog-friendly ingredients by Three Dog Bakery of Plymouth, for Lefty and his friends.

Before the cake was cut, town-



ship Clerk Terry Bennett read from a framed resolution local officials gave to Lefty for his years of helping Traylor investigate drug cases, robberies, home invasions, assaults and other

crimes. Leftv also has found missing people, helped Traylor rescue a suicidal woman, investigated a drive-by shooting in Washtenaw County, searched buildings for suspicious activity and gone on more than 25 S.W.A.T. missions involving barricaded gunmen and other bad guys.

Lefty also has helped Traylor control crowds at events such as Liberty Fest, and he has been a longtime member of the Western Wayne Special Operations Team.

"They work as a team," Bennett said. "They work together as oné."

Bennett presented Lefty with a police badge on a chain, the framed resolution honoring his work, a framed photo, his first retirement-era dog license, a membership to a Canton dog park that opens May 20 in the Cherry Hill Village area and - what!? - a cushioned doggie bed.

He's had a good run at police work, but now Lefty gets to enjoy his retirement.

When Bennett placed the cushion on the floor, Lefty clumsily moved around it before he decided to lie down - resigned once again to his forced retirement.

Canton's other K9-owning officer, Bryan Szostak, gave Lefty and Traylor a framed collage of photos and badges. Finally, it was time for Traylor to get some attention, as Szostak commended him for serving as a trainer at the K9 Academy training facility in Wayne, teaching officers to work with their dogs.

With Lefty's retirement, Travlor will return to regular police work, replaced by Officer Ken Robinson and new K9 Thor. Yet, as is custom, Lefty will continue to live with Traylor and his family, as he has done since the two became crime-fighting partners.

"He's my dog," Traylor said, outside Tuesday's meeting room. "He's not going to be anybody else's dog.

With that, Lefty looked up at him. Maybe retirement won't be so bad, after all.

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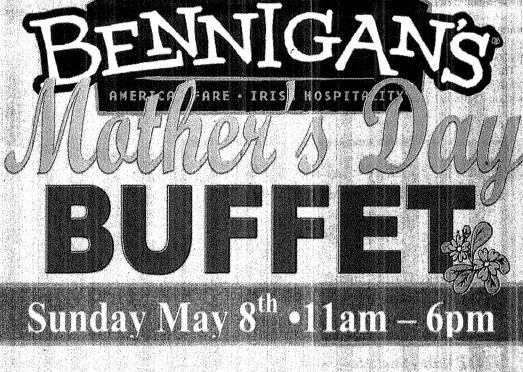
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Local companies help tear down former First Step shelter

Charlie Martin and Michael Kelly may be friendly rivals in the competitive world of remediation and pre-demolition asbestos abatement, but they are putting their competitive differences aside to help First Step, a local non-profit agency whose mission is to provide services to victims of domestic and sexual violence.

Kelly's company, **Environmental Maintenance** Engineers, is donating the asbestos abatement and Martin's company, Next Generation Services Group, is donating the demolition services for the old farmhouse and nursing home that once provided shelter for thousands of women forced to flee their homes due to domestic violence.

"Their support will prepare the property for sale and leave the neighborhood better than we found it," said Judy Ellis, executive director of First Step. "We also want to thank Canton Township for all their support as we transition into our new facility."

First Step purchased the home, located on Warren Road in Canton Township in

December of 1987 and renovated it to meet the needs of the community. The organization had to vacate it in December 2008 due to irreparable building problems, according to Ellis.

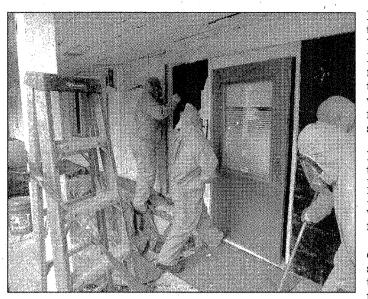
"The farmhouse is more than 70 years old," she said. "It served our survivors' needs well, but we just could not hold the facility together any longer."

First Step found a temporary location to house its residents and began to collect donations to build a new facility, which is located in the City of Wayne and scheduled to open in June 2011.

"One of our biggest challenges was raising the funds needed to safely demolish the old facility," said Ellis. "People will give money to create something new, but rarely will someone donate for demolition."

That's where Kelly and Martin came in.

"I heard about First Step and this shelter demo project through their partnership with the Oakwood Healthcare System," said Martin. "We know that First Step and Oakwood work together to provide the best care for victims of violence. We wanted to help and figured



Employees of Environmental Maintenance Engineers handle the asbestos abatement at the former First Step shelter in Canton Township.

the best way to do that was to lend our talent,"

"We have successfully and safely completed thousands of environmental clean-up projects that have varied in scope and complexity-including many local hospitals and universities" he added. "NGSG is a local company. Our staff grew up here in southeast Michigan; this is our

home. We are doing this work for our daughters, our mothers, and our sisters. We are doing this work to help local families have a brighter future."

Martin estimated the value of the work at \$65,000.

"I believe it is imperative to give back to the community, both EME as an organization and myself personally," said

Kelly. "My charity work with the Archdiocese of Detroit, the United Irish Societies and the Detroit St. Patrick's Parade made me aware of First Step and the fantastic work they do providing support and counseling for domestic and sexual assault survivors and their families"

He added that Oakwood Healthcare Systems and the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians Elizabeth Fagan Division keep EME involved with First Step through their fundraising efforts.

"We are pleased to provide environmental remediation services for this project and contribute to the demolition of this facility so First Step can build new beginnings for the future," Kelly said.

The demolition is weather dependent, but First Step has scheduled the asbestos removal with Environmental Maintenance Engineers for last week. Next Generation Services Group will demolish the structure this week.

Next Generation Services Group is a full service remediation and demolition contractor based in Ypsilanti. It provides

asbestos abatement, lead abatement, mold remediation, hazardous waste removal, demolition, salvage, dismantling and industrial cleaning with its own full-time employees.

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Environmental Maintenance Engineers Inc. is based in Inkster and provides asbestos abatement, lead-based paint abatement, mold remediation, industrial cleaning, inspections, thermo imaging and universal/ hazardous waste removal services for commercial, institutional, industrial and residential clients.

First Step is the only agency in out Wayne County that provides comprehensive services to support victims of domestic and sexual violence. First Step offers temporary emergency housing, counseling, advocacy, SANE Exams, assault response, 24-hour help line services, legal information, children's services, training and education to survivors and to the community.

Last year, First Step touched the life of 16,480 people. For more information about First Step, visit its website at www. firststep-mi.org/ or call 734-416-1111.

Now's the time to spring into home safety by checking smoke detectors

BY STEVE RHEA **GUEST COLUMNIST**

pring is here and many of us are doing some spring leaning both inside the house out. As we open the windows and dust winter out of the house, it is a good time to think about home safety. One of the best tools in your home is one you probably pay little attention to, your smoke detectors.

Every year, approximately 2,600 Americans die in home fires. Over half of these deaths (52 percent) occur between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m., when residents are typically sleeping. Smoke and toxic gases from a home fire are as deadly as heat and flames. Just two or three breaths of toxic smoke

can render you unconscious. The majority of fire victims die or are injured from exposure to smoke and toxic gases, such as carbon monoxide, not actual burns. In addition, smoke obscures vision, decreasing your ability to escape.

Smoke alarms save lives, prevent injuries, and minimize property damage by detecting fires early and alerting residents, allowing crucial time to escape. The risk of dying from a fire in a home without working smoke alarms is twice as high as in a home that has working smoke alarms.

When do you check it or change the batteries?

You should check your smoke detectors monthly by pressing the test button. The first

Saturday of every month they check the tornado sirens, check your home sirens, too.

Batteries need to be changed twice per year. An easy way to remember to do this is to change your batteries when you change your clocks.

How long will a smoke alarm last?

Most alarms installed today have a life span of about 8-10 years. After this time, the entire unit should be replaced. It is a good idea to write the date of purchase with a marker on the inside of your alarm so you will know when to replace it. Always follow the manufacturer's instructions for replacement.

Follow these easy tips on smoke alarms:

• Place a smoke alarm on the ceiling of every level of your home and outside bedrooms. Children and older people can sleep though the loud sound of a smoke alarm. Make sure your escape plan includes someone that can help children and others wake up immediately to escape from the home.

• If you keep your bedroom doors closed, place a smoke alarm on the ceiling of each bedroom.

 Check smoke alarms monthly by pressing the test button.

 Never take smoke alarm batteries out to put into other items like games or remote controls.

• Teach children what the smoke alarm sounds like and what to do when they hear the alarm sound.

• If there is a fire, leave the home right away by crawling low under the smoke and never go back inside. "Don't hide, go outside"

• If your smoke alarm is more than 10 years old, replace it with a new alarm and a new battery.

• If you rent, talk to your landlord about placing a working smoke alarm in your home. You still need to buy a new battery twice a year for the alarm.

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Steve Rhea is a firefighter/paramedic with the Garden City Fire Department.

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Inspire Theatre troupe stages 'Murders of 1940'

With a murder in the first two pages and many more to come, one would expect The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940 to be a typical murdermystery. But play takes place deep within the world of actors, directors and theatre producers, which can only mean one thing: unstoppable egos, unrelenting laughs and a mystery that's not halfbad, either!

As Inspire Theatre's latest production, The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940 promises to be anything but ordinary, according to artistic director Len Fisher. Set in a mansion in Chappaqua, New York, in December 1940, the mansion is owned and inhabited by Elsa Von Grossenknueten, and her maid, Helsa Wenzel. The invited guests include an Irish tenor, a singer/dancer, a young comedian, the director, producer, and the writers

After things get underway, bodies are discovered. After a series of dizzy conversations, multiple trips through secret doorways leading to a labyrinth of hidden passageways, multiple crimes and criminals are revealed, the madcap search to find the killer begins. It's a doorslamming ride to a very funny finish line.

"Several years ago when we presented Agatha Christie's Ten Little Indians, people immediately began asking for another mystery," said Fisher. "I enjoy comedies and musicals. When I remembered this play, it just

MUSICAL COMEDY MURDERS

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, May 6-7 and 13-14, and 3 and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 15 Location: Inspire Theatre, located in the Warren Road Light and Life Church at 33445 Warren Road, east of Wayne Road, Westland.

Tickets: \$12 each and can be purchased at the door or by reservation by calling (734) 751-7057.

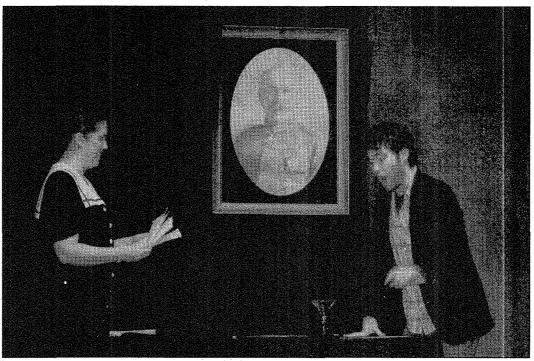
made sense to try and stage it.

Inspire Theatre has attempted some very ambitious projects in the past. To Fisher, this project appeared "kinder and gentler."

"Its been anything but," he said.

Although only an 11-member cast, the production has been beset by eight personnel changes. Most have been over schedule conflicts. Some were because the people taking on roles didn't realize how demanding comedy can be. With the change in actors, postponements occurred. This brought the theatre into scheduling challenges with the church from whom they rent space.

"The church planned this large Easter production utilizing all of the rooms in the building. We have been ducking and rotating and switching everything from props to rehearsals even space," said Fisher. "It's been challenging but fun. We now have a cast that is one of and on their own. Andrew



Beth Baumgatner of Wayne and Andrew Fisher of Westland rehearse a scene from Inspire Theatre's "The Musical Comedy Murders."

the finest I have ever worked with."

And it seems to be a family affair. Besides directing, Fisher has stepped into the role of Roger, the composer, vacated by an actor who became overwhelmed with the amount of memorization. He then asked his son Andrew to fill the role of Eddie, the struggling young comedian. Andrew had been in the role of Michael Kelly, the undercover cop. That role is now being played by Fisher's youngest son, Benjamin.

Both sons have done theatre, both with their Dad

has studied theatre in Indiana and Hollywood. Beside shows with Inspire Theater, Benjamin has appeared in productions at the Maple Co-op and Wayne Memorial High School which he graduated from in 2007. According to Andrew, "it's slightly more fun than you'd

expect, working on a show with your dad.' Other family connections include producer Wendy Hardy of Livonia and assistant/son Mitchell, and actress Bobbi Gladden and daughter/assistant to the director Kelsi Fay, also

Livonia residents. Hardy has been with the group since her son appeared in the Wizard of Oz in 2006. Gladden joined the group in 2007 and has done shows ever since. When asked what her experience is like this time around, Gladden said, "All I know is that I'm having way more fun than I should be.' Long time member

Deanna Leeof Redford, who plays the director, brings a special challenge to the stage for this show. On opening night, she will be five months pregnant with twins.

"Deanna is always great," said Fisher, "She brings this enormous amount of energy to each show. This one she



Inspire Theatre newcomer Nancy Rocker of Garden City takes a break during a rehearsal of "The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940."

just sits down more often."

Newcomer Nancy Rocker of Garden City is having a great time. The health care administrator has previous experience with other theatre groups but seems to be fitting in quite well with the Inspire family.

Filling out the roster are John Donnelly of Redford, Gerry Waitr of Westland, Toni Hammond of Farmington Hills, Carolyn Via of Garden City and Beth Baumgatner of Wayne, who each have done numerous shows with Inspire Theatre.

"We're family., that's why I keep coming back," said Hardy.

Others tend to agree. And they seem to trust Fisher's direction.

"In working with Len Fisher, he takes you, an average, every day human, and creates in you a true character whose life you step into each and every time you take the stage," said Lee.





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GETTING THEIR DAY IN THE SUN, LIFE - B5

LIVONIA CITY BOYS TRACK MEET April 28 at Stevenson TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Stevenson, points; 2. Franklin, 70; 3. Churchill, 34; 4. Clarenceville, 29.

34; 4. Clarenceville, 29. FINAL EVENT RESULTS Shot put: 1. Adam Clay (F), 51 feet, 3.75 inches; 2. DeOndre Hogan (C'ville), 46-8.25; 3. Jon Aneed (S), 46-8.25; 4. Blake Padgett (C), 46-5.25; 3. Shawn Cummings (C'ville), 42-0. Discus: 1. Paulin Chateau (C), 130-7; 2. Aneed (S), 128-7; 3. Clay (F), 124-10; 4. Jeremy Atkins (C), 120-2; 5. Ryan Hall (C), 12-0. High jump: 1. Scott Brewer (S), 5-5; 2. Tom Brokaw (F), 5-5; 3. Matt Szuba (C), 5-3; 4. (tie) Trevor Hart (S), DeAngelo Peete (F) and Taylor Steele (S), 5-0 each.

(S), 5-0 each. **Long jump:** 1. Nick Podulka (S), 19-6.5; 2. Brett Gutowski (F), 19-3.5; 3. Adrian Myers (C'ville), 18-10; 4. Angelo D'Orazio (S), 18-9; 5. Jon Girvan (F), 17-9

Pole vault: 1. Alex Rytarsczyk (C), 11-5; 2. Chad Chisholm (F), 10-11; 3. Ari Peppas (S), 10-11; 4. Mitch Moore (S), 10-5; 5. Mike Farner (S), 9-5.

10-5; 5. Mike Farner (S), 9-5. 110-meter hurdles: 1. Brokaw (F), 16.0; 2. Joe Mims (S), 16.13; 3. Jeremy Kozler (S), 17.07; 4. Mike McDermott (S), 17.9; 5. Sam Brown (C'ville), 18.25. 300 hurdles: 1. Mims (S), 43.01; 2. Brown (C'ville), 43.4; 3. Kozler (S), 43.42; 4. Andrew Crechiolo (F), 44.09; 5. Brokaw (F), 45.9. 100 dash: 1. Kassius Kelly (C'ville), 10.94; 2. Alex Perelli (F), 11.4; 3. Kenning Britchford (S), 11.43; 4. Ryan Hurt (F), 11.43; 5. Adam Duncan (S), 11.85.

Huft (r), 11-13, 3, 14-14 11.85. **200:** 1. Kelly (C'ville), 22.46; 2. Britchford (S), 23.16; 3. Hurt (F), 23.22; 4. Duncan (S), 23.82; 5. Adam Wheeler

4. Duitchi (3), 23.02, 3. Adam interest
 (S), 24.46.
 400: 1. Pat Smith (S), 52.57; 2. Zaid Shareef (S), 52.77; 3. Gutowski (F), 54.93; 4. Matt Garon (S), 55.21; 5. Dave

S4. 59, 41. Matt Garon (3), 55.21, 51. Dav Koponen (F), 55.43.
 800: 1. Matt Williams (S), 1:59.84;
 2. Ryan Wise (C), 2:04.5; 3. Adam Chłudzinski (S), 2:06.34; 4. Jacob

Colley (S), 2:08.01; 5. Bobby Wilson (F), 2:09.25.

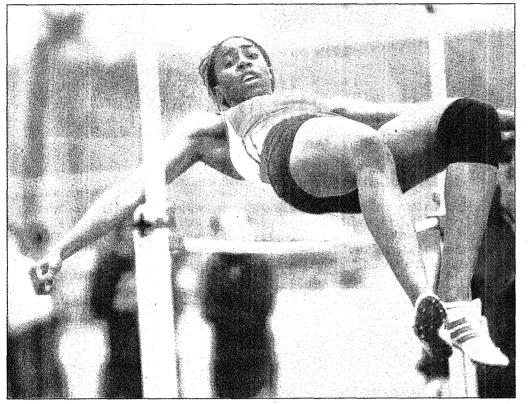
(1), 209-25.
 1,600: 1. Joe Urso (S), 4:31.17;
 2. Chludzinski (S), 4:35.74;
 3. Tom Windle (C), 4:39.23;
 4. Austin Jones (F), 4:44.83;
 5. Stephen Fenech (S), 4:46.91

(F), 4:44.83; 5. Stepnen renech (S), 4:46.91. **3,200:** 1. Jones (F), 10:13.5; 2. Urso (S), 10:19.33; 3. Fenech (S), 10:21.9; 4. Stephen Charnley (C), 10:50.49; 5. Ben Yates (C), 10:54.54; **400 relay:** 1. Stevenson (Britchford, Dylan Dunn, Duncan, Ryan Lackey), 45.08; 2. Franklin, 45.84:3. Clarenceville, 46.03; 4.

123 points:

(S), 5-0 each.





OBSERVER STAFF PHOTOS

Churchill's Ashley Cochran took fifth in the high jump during Thursday's Livonia Public Schools meet held at Franklin.

Make it 7 straight Churchill girls repeat in LPS track & field



BY BRAD EMONS **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

There was no letdown whatsoever Thursday for Churchill in the Public Schools of Livonia Invitational girls track and field meet.

The Chargers, as expected, wrapped up their seventh straight title with team-high 88.5 points.

Host Franklin was runner-up with 55 and Stevenson placed a distant third with 25.5.

Churchill was coming off an 89-48 KLAA South Division dual meet victory on Tuesday over Franklin. "We pretty much

body got the job done we'd be OK from Tuesday's results."

three of four relay races and six individual events.

Individual winners included Demi Crossman, 100-meter dash (12.82); Leah Heinzelman, 200 (26.21); Julia Szuba, 400 (1:04.43); Molly Jarvis, 300 hurdles (48.04); Bethany Pilat, 800 (2:27.91); and Mahogony Miller, shot put (33 feet, 6 inches). Jarvis edged Franklin's Pia Klein by 0.036 seconds in the 300 hurdles.

is in the (300) hurdles, I still expected her to get second to Pia, the German exchange student (of Franklin)," Daugherty said. "She beat her and got another P.R.'

The Chargers captured

"As good as Molly Jarvis

Stevenson rules City meet again

BY BRAD EMONS **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Last year's Livonia City Boys Track and Field meet turned out to be a thriller with only 3.5 points separating the top two finishers.

No such suspense on a cold and blustery Thursday as host Stevenson earned its sixth consecutive title with a team-high 123 points.

Franklin was runner-up again with 70, while Churchill edged Clarenceville for third, 34-29. "I thought before the meet that

it's not necessarily the firsts, but it's the people who finish third, fourth and fifth that make the difference and we took a lot of those," Stevenson coach Scott Shaw said. "We took all four relays and that usually does it when you're in a dual meet, but it was also pretty

big today." The Spartans had two noteworthy first-place performances, most notably Joe Urso's time of 4:31.17 in the 1,600-meter run and Matt Williams' 1:59.84 in the 800.

"I didn't know Joe would get that far down and Matt going under 2 minutes in the 800 was a nice time, too," Shaw said. "Our distance people did a nice job. We got first, second and fifth in the 1,600 and first, second and fourth in the 400, which is a lot of points."

Other Stevenson first-place finishers included Pat Smith, 400 (52.57); Joe Mims, 300 hurdles (43.01); Scott Brewer, high jump (5 feet, 5 inches); and Nick Podulka, long jump (19-6.5).

"Our hurdlers did a nice job," Shaw said. "We took second, third and fourth in the 110s and first and third in the 300s. We have more depth there."

Stevenson's 4 x 100 relay quartet of Kenning Britchford, Dylan Dunn, Adam Duncan and Ryan Lackey won in 45.08, while the foursome of Britchford, Smith, Zaid Shareef and Williams took the 4 x 200 relay in 1:32.65.

SIDELINES

MU softball 2-for-2

The Madonna University women's softball team tuned up for the upcoming Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference playoffs by sweeping a doubleheader Friday from host Indiana Tech, 2-0 and 2-1, at Snider High School in Fort Wayne.

Senior right-hander Jess Irwin (17-5) pitched a two-hit shutout in the opener. She 'struck out 16 and walked two as the Crusaders moved into second place.

Losing pitcher Dani Campbell gave up one earned run on 11 hits.

Arielle Cox led the Crusaders going 3-for-3 with an RBI, while Katelyn Hamann and Ashley Shay each added two hits.

In the nightcap, MU won in eight innings as Erin Mayes went 2-for-3 with an RBI. Caitlyn Keuvelaar also knocked in a run.

MU starter Hallie Minch (Garden City) improved to 16-3 as she scattered seven hits and allowed one earned run over seven innings.

Irwin picked up her fifth save by setting down the Warriors in order in the bottom of the eighth

MU is 33-8 overall and 14-4 in the WHAC; Tech is 30-14 and 10-5.

Crusaders triumph

The Madonna University baseball team finished its regular season Friday afternoon with a 4-2 win over visiting Rochester College at llitch Ballpark.

The Crusaders are 30-12; the Warriors are 15-15.

MU returns to action Wednesday when it hosts the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference tournament at llitch Field. The four-team playoff also features games at Livonia's Ford

Field. The hosts trailed, 2-1, in the fifth before scoring two runs to seize the lead for good. Senior

Mike Gansser had three hits and

Freshman Logan Ryan earned

two RBIs

Churchill's Bethany Pilat took first in the 800-meter run and was a member for the Chargers' first-place 4 x 800 relay team. She was also second in the 1,600 and 3,200 runs at the Livonia Public Schools meet Thursday at Franklin.

ran the same order, the same group," fourthvear Churchill coach Pat Daugherty said. "We didn't change anything really. The 4 x 100 team that was disqualified on Tuesday,

we decided to keep them together and they won today.

"Pretty much if every-

Churchill's 400 relay team of Crossman, Ashley Cochran, Latasha Smalls and Ajnia Jackson took first

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Williams, who figured in four firsts, also teamed up with Adam Chludzinski, Smith and Shareef to

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45.84; 3. Clarenceville, 46.03; 4. Churchill, 48.34. 800 relay: 1. Stevenson (Britchford, Smith, Shareef, Williams), 1:32.65; 2. Franklin, 1:34.31; 3. Clarenceville, 1:40.49; 5. Churchill,

1,600 relay: 1. Stevensor (Williams, Chludzinski, Smith, Shareef), 3:34.58; 2. Franklin, 3:44.19; 3. Churchill, 3:44.71; 4. Clarenceville, 3:48,95.

3,40,55. 3,200 relay: 1. Stevenson (Williams, Blerim Mema, Ben Lambert, Colley), 8;41.25; 2. Franklin, 8:48.04; 3. Churchill, 8:55.76.

the victory, pitching one inning. Jeremy Gooding pitched the first four innings, allowing one run, one hit, and striking out

> five Erik Wright (Canton) and Andy Omilian (Plymouth/Novi Detroit Catholic Central) also combined for three scoreless innings'in relief.

Travis Schuba earned his team-leading sixth save of the. season.

Rochester's Johnny Barretto allowed four runs (three earned) on five hits in six innings of work.

WYAA opening day

Opening day ceremonies and baseball games for the Westland Youth Athletic Association will start at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 14 at Marshall Upper Elementary School.

The WYAA will honor members of the 2000 Bronco (11-12) state championship team.

Players and coaches from that Bronco team are asked to call Keith DeMolay at (734) 516-9269 or (734) 722-1251. You can also call the WYAA's Lange Compound Building at (734) 421-0640.



BY BRAD EMONS **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Garden City's Bailey Terrell can't recall the last time she scored a hat trick.

"I don't remember, probably U-8," the sophomore said. "It's been a long time.'

Terrell notched her third, fourth and fifth goals of the season Friday as the Cougars blanked host Westland John Glenn, 3-0, in a non-conference encounter.

Terrell's first goal occurred with 34:58 left in the second half on a shot from nearly 40 yards out which eluded the

outstretched arms of Glenn goalkeeper Emily Hinkle.

Terrell then added a goal off a direct free kick just 6:56 later from 30 yards and capped her big afternoon with a corner kick that curled in with 9:35 remaining in the match.

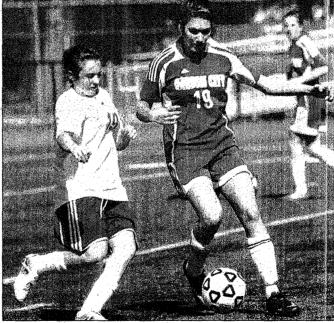
"I have a big kick ... so I just kind of figured rip it at the net and the wind would help it," Terrell. "The corner kick I was definitely surprised. And the first one, a girl was kind of challenging me, I fell, I was on the ground and I watched it go in. I said, 'Oh my God, did that just go in?' It was surprising." Terrell is no stranger to scoring goals. She was a doubledigit goal scorer on the varsity as a freshman.

"The first two goals were probably 30 or 35 yards out, so she put a pretty good poke on it," Garden City first-year coach Jason Dean said. "It was downwind, so we knew we were going to have a 10-to-12 MPH wind at our back.

"It (the corner kick) looked like it snuck in. She put it across, the goalie put a hand on it and it snuck into the back corner."

Glenn held the Cougars

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OBSERVER STAFF PHOTO Glenn's Elise Penhollow (left) tries to put the brakes on Garden City's Bailey Terrell, who scored all three goals in a 3-0 victory.



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Fit to be tied Churchill and Ladywood battle to 2-2 draw

Nothing gained, nothing lost.

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That was the story Friday as host Livonia Churchill and state-ranked Livonia Ladywood battled to a 2-2 draw.

Ladywood, rated No. 4 in Division 2, is 8-1-3 overall. while Churchill is 3-3-2.

Junior Alexa Vakratsis tallied both goals for Churchill, including a shot at the 24-minute mark off a corner kick from Sarah Bauman.

Ladywood tied it up on Domenique Sarnecky's breakaway goal in the 63rd minute (from Emily Huddleston) and scored again just eight minutes later to take a 2-1 advantage on Kelly Capoccia's goal (from Paige Brennan).

But Vakratsis knotted it at 2-all just a minute later off a pin-point through ball from 35 yards out by freshman Kelsey Parrinello.

Churchill goalkeeper Kaylie Secord made six saves.

"We had good opportunities, good plays the first half, but then we kind of fizzled until we were down 2-1," Churchill coach Dave Hebestreit said. "We responded well after being down. It's the first time we've been undefeated for the week in a long time. They played hard and they're improving. That's all I can ask.'

Ladywood's Maddie Reed had two saves.

"We struggled to find energy early on and looked like a team that played the night before," Ladywood coach Ken Shingledecker said. "I thought Churchill did a nice job keeping the ball in the first half. We pushed some people forward in the second half and finally

and Dante Cicchelli, 42 each.

South Lyon scorers: Derek Krauss. 38:

Pat Carroll, 41; Gavin Garris, 43; Zach Deline

GIRLS SOCCER

scored some goals." NORTHVILLE 4, STEVENSON 0: Four different players tallied second-half goals Thursday as the host Mustangs (6-0-2, 3-0-1) blanked Livonia Stevenson (3-2-1, 1-2-1) in a KLAA Central Division clash.

Tara Cureton, Mallory Weber, Megan Buckingham and Jenni Burawski each scored for Northville.

"Weber is probably the classiest player you'll see, the best player in our conference," Stevenson coach Chris Grodzicki said. "She's smart, she's fast, she's strong and like a coach on the field.

"The direction she gives the other players is outstanding. It's direct and it's forceful."

Stevenson was tied 0-0 at the half.

"We did some things well the first half, we had some chances,' Grodzicki said. "But Northville cleaned some things up in the second half to their credit. You saw glimpses of how young a team it is.

"We're also a young team in a building process. It's tough, but it's all part of the process. We just have to see better results and it's my

responsibility. CANTON 8. JOHN GLENN 1: Liz Ferrell and Alyson Krause each tallied a pair of goals Thursday as the Chiefs (4-1-1, 4-0) downed host Westland John Glenn (3-4, 1-3) in a KLAA South Division match.

Kaitlyn Murphy chipped in with a goal and three assists, while Melanie Pickert and Kalyen Berenti each had a goal and assist for Canton.

Madylyn McLean also scored for the Chiefs, who led 4-1 at halftime. Jenna Williams' goal from Cecilia Said cut the deficit to 2-1 with 8:54

left in the first half. LADYWOOD O, DIVINE CHILD O: Maddie Reed made three saves to earn

her seventh shutout of the season Thursday, but host Livonia Ladywood (8-1-2, 3-1-2) settled for a scoreless draw with Dearborn Divine Child (2-4-3, 1-4-2) in a

Catholic League match. Jessica Shymanski made 10 saves in goal for the Falcons.

'Our work rate wasn't were I thought it should be in the first half," Ladywood coach Ken Shingledecker said. "We picked it up as the game went along, but failed to convert the chances we had.

"The DC goalkeeper was excellent. She did a nice job not giving up any rebounds and made some timely saves when she had to.

CHURCHILL 3. FRANKLIN O: Livonia Churchill (3-3-1, 2-1-1) got a lift from freshman forward Kelsey Parrinello en route to a KLAA South Division girls soccer triumph Wednesday at Livonia Franklin (3-3-1, 2-1-1).

Parrinello scored what proved to be the game-winning goal in the seventh minute off an assist from Rachel Zukowski.

"She (Parrinello) was probably our player of the game," Churchill coach Dave Hebestreit said. "She was always dribbling and looking to score.'

Senior Kelsey Rothermel made it 2-0 in the 52nd minute on a wide angle shot off an assist from Sarah Bauman.

Lauren Favazza then completed the Churchill scoring at 73:50 on an

unassisted goal. Churchill goalkeeper Kaylie Secord made two saves to post the shutout.

"Franklin played some kickball, got the ball behind our backs and Kaylie had to play the ball at her feet six or seven times," Hebestreit said. "Franklin had pressure and they're

definitely better." CLARENCEVILLE 1, HAZEL PARK 0: Freshman goalkeeper Brianna

Tuuri-Cesarz made 14 saves Wednesday as host Livonia Clarenceville (2-5) edged the Vikings Ashley Murphy's goal at the 11-

minute mark of the first half off a corner kick from Sadie Zachos proved to be the difference.

The Trojans also got sterling play from senior forward Taylor Zawol and sophomore midfielder Megan Strachan

BOYS GOLF RESULTS

overall, 1-0 KLAA Central Division; South Lyon, 1-1 overall, 1-1 KLAA Central. LIVONIA CHURCHILL 154 LIVONIA FRANKLIN 161 April 27 at Idyl Wyld Churchill scorers: Andrew loanou, 36

Fargo, 48. **Franklin scorers:** Drake Hermann, 30; Brandon Kozyn and Jon Holmes, 40 each; Doug Nagy, 42; Brian Bekkula, 46; Frank Wilson, 47.

Dual match records: Churchill, 1-0 overall, 1-0 KLAA South Division; Franklin, 1-1 overall, 1-1 KLAA South.



DAN WILLENBORG

Wayne State-bound

PREP BASEBALL

Monday, May 2 South Lyon at Churchill, 4 p.m.

Salem at Franklin, 4 p.m.

Stevenson at Wayne, 4 p.m.

S.Lyon East at John Glenn, 4 p.m. Luth, N'west at Luth. Westland, 4:30 p.m

Tuesday, May 3

Harrison at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m. Luth. Westland at Univ-Liggett, 4:30 p.m. Huron Valley at Ply. Christian, 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 4

Churchill at Franklin (2), 4 p.m.

Stevenson at Salem (2), 4 p.m.

Wayne at John Glenn (2), 4 p.m.

Thursday, May 5

Luth. Westland at Oak. Christian, 4:30 p.m. Huron Valley at Luth. South, 4:30 p.m.

Friday, May 6 Churchill at Salem, 4 p.m.

Franklin at Novi, 4 p.m. Canton at Stevenson, 4 p.m.

John Glenn at South Lyon, 4 p.m. Wayne at S. Lyon East, 4 p.m.

Saturday, May 7 (all double-headers unless noted)

Luth. N'west at Clarenceville, 11 a.m Franklin at Mason Invitational, TBA

Hartland Sherlander Tourney, TBA

Ypsilanti Lincoln invitational, TBA

(Farmington H.S. Invitational)

Churchill vs. Harrison, 9 a.m.

Churchill vs. Country Day, 11 a.m.

Championship final, 3:30 p.m.

(Lutheran Westland Tournament)

Macomb Christian at Luth. Westland, 1 p.m

A.A. Greenhills vs. Ypsilanti Calvary at Huron Valley Lutheran, 1 p.m.

Championship & consolation, 3:30 p.m

GIRLS SOFTBALL

Monday, May 2 South Lyon at Churchill, 4 p.m

Salem at Franklin, 4 p.m.

Stevenson at Wayne, 4 p.m.

S. Lvon East at John Glenn, 4 p.m.

Tuesday, May 3

Ladywood at Warren Regina (2), 4 p.m. Franklin Road at Luth. Westland, 4:30 p.m

Huron Valley at Ply. Christian, 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 4 Churchill at Franklin (2), 4 p.m.

Stevenson at Salem (2), 4 p.m

Livonia Franklin senior Chelsea Williams recently signed an NCAA Division II letter-of-intent to play basketball at Wayne State University. The 5-foot-11 point-guard, who averaged 22 points per game this season, is a three-time All-Observer pick who helped the Patriots to three straight district titles and a berth in the 2009 Class A state championship game. She also earned second-team All-Area honors in volleyball and currently is a dual-sport spring athlete in both softball and soccer.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Wayne at John Glenn (2), 4 p.m. Thursday, May 5 Mercy at Ladywood (2), 4 p.m. Clarenceville at Wayne, 4 p.m. Huron Valley at Luth. Westland, 4:30 p.m. Friday, May 6 Churchill at Salem, 4 p.m. Franklin at Novi, 4 p.m. Canton at Stevenson, 4 p.m. John Glenn at South Lyon, 4 p.m. Saturday, May 7 (all double-headers unless noted) Macomb Dakota Invitational, 9 a.m. Wayne at Ypsilanti Lincoln, 10 a.m. Luth. N'west at Clarenceville, 11 a.m. N. Farmington Invitational, TBA. Michigan Stars Classic, TBA. (Lutheran Westland Tournament) GIRLS SOCCER Tuesday, May 3 Marian at Ladywood, 5:30 p.m. Det. Chavez at Clarenceville, 6 p.m. Wayne at Churchill, 7 p.m. Canton at Franklin, 7 p.m. John Glenn at Plymouth, 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 4 Stevenson at Salem (CEP), 7 p.m. Thursday, May 5 John Glenn at Wayne, 4 p.m. Hamtramck at Clarenceville, 4:30 p.m Parkway at Luth. Westland, 4:30 p.m. Warren Regina at Ladywood, 5:30 p.m Canton at Churchill, 7 p.m. Franklin at Plymouth, 7 p.m. Friday, May 6 Clarenceville at John Glenn, 4:30 p.m. Ladywood at Farm. Mercy, 5:30 p.m. Stevenson at N. Farmington, 7 p.m. BOYS & GIRLS TRACK & FIELD Monday, May 2 Plymouth at Churchill, 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 3 Stevenson at Northville, 3:30 p.m. Franklin at John Glenn, 3:45 p.m. Wayne at Canton, 3:45 p.m. Clarenceville at Luth. North, 4:30 p.m Luth. Westland at A.A. Greenhills, 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 4 Warren Regina at Ladywood, 4 p.m. Thursday, May 5 Clarenceville at Annapolis, 3:30 p.m. Friday, May 6

Lady Rocket Relays at Glenn, 3:30 p.m. Saturday, May 7 Stevenson Girls Invitational, 10 a.m. Observerland Boys Relays at Canton, 3:30 & 6:30 p.m. **GIRLS TENNIS** Monday, May 2 Ladywood at Mercy, 4 p.m. Wednesday, May 4 Churchill at Farmington, 4 p.m. Ladywood vs. Warren Regina at Schoolcraft College, 4 p.m Thursday, May 5 Ladywood at Chelsea, 5:30 p.m. Saturday, May 7 Woodhaven Warrior Classic, 8:30 a.m. Howell Invitational, 9 a.m **BOYS GOLF** Monday, May 2 Churchill vs. John Glenn at Whispering Willows, 3 p.m. Franklin vs. Wayne at Idyl Wyld G.C., 3 p.m. Stevenson vs. S. Lyon East at Links of Novi, 3 p.m. Tuesday, May 3 Fellows Creek Cup, 8:30 a.m. Stevenson vs. Salem at Fox Creek G.C., 3 p.m. Huron Valley at Franklin Road, 3:30 p.m. **Wednesday, May 4** Churchill vs. Canton at Hilltop G.C., 3 p.m. Franklin vs. Plymouth at Fox Hills G.C., 3 p.m. Stevenson vs. Northville at Fox Creek G.C., 3 p.m. John Glenn vs. Wayne at Fellows Creek G.C., 3 p.m. Huron Valley vs. Macomb Christian at Idyl Wyld G.C., 4 p.m. Friday, May 6 Wayne Co. Inv. at Dearborn C.C., TBA Saturday, May 7 W. Wayne Inv. at Fox Creek, TBA GIRLS LACROSSE Wednesday, May 4 Ladywood at Warren Regina, 6 p.m. Saturday, May 7 Ladywood Tournament, 9 a.m. TBA - time to be announced

LIVONIA STEVENSON 158 SOUTH LYON 166 April 29 at Fox Creek Stevenson scorers: Adam Giordano, 38 (co-medalist); Nick Marsh, 39; Marco Yaquinto, 40; Cam Tetrault, 41; Nick Collins

and Kyle Koehier, 44 each; Travis Tubbs, 45. Dual match records: Stevenson, 1-0

(medalist); Ben Proben, 37; Cory Dare, 38;

Kevin Louwers, 43; Nick Proben, 44; Evan Fargo, 48





scoreless during the first half, but couldn't generate much offense.

"Basically a lot of times what is happening with the girls is that they just want to play kickball," Glenn first-year coach Ralph Cabildo said. "We're just trying to teach them to possess the ball a little bit. Quite honestly, they've played better. I don't know what was with this team, whether they know a lot of girls from the other team. They know who they are and they just looked a little hesitant in the second half."

Glenn also faced the wind during the final 40 minutes of action.

"It's tough because they had two goals taken outside the 30 (yards) that they scored," said

Cabildo, whose team fell to 3-5 overall. "That was a little bit tough for our team. Other than that, it's a close game. That just deflates you. But the big thing at the halftime was we weren't playing to our potential, and we just never did. Of course, we had a tough game with Canton (8-1 loss) yesterday. That was very difficult to come out here as far as being aggressive and physical."

Garden City, meanwhile, improves to 3-2-3 overall.

First we didn't play as well as we liked to," Dean said. 'We've actually had a 20-day layoff. We had spring break. April 6 was our last game.

"They played really rusty the first half. They had some touches on the soccer ball that was poor. The second half we controlled the possession a lot better. On positive first touches we seemed to control the play. We kind of locked them in their half."

It was the fourth shutout of the season posted by Garden City sophomore goalkeeper Kasey Bunio, whose biggest save came with only three minutes remaining off a free kick taken by Glenn's Lexi Gagleard.

"Defensively we looked good," Dean said. "I don't think they (Glenn) had a really good scoring opportunity the second half. Besides looking rusty the first half, good things

are happening." And Terrell's scoring touch continues to be one of her favorite attributes.

'That's thing I like most about playing soccer," she said smiling.

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Chargers rebound to salvage split in twinbill vs. Plymouth

BY TIM SMITH OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

It was a good-news, bad-news doubleheader for Plymouth's baseball team Wednesday at Livonia Churchill.

The Wildcats came from behind for a 7-5 victory in the opener of the KLAA South Division twinbill. But then, they let a 4-2 edge in Game 2 melt away under the raindrops as the Chargers rallied for a 5-4 win.

"We had two hard-fought, scrappy games," Plymouth coach Bryan Boyd said. "We did not play our best in either game, but we pulled out a victory in the first game. In the second game, we just couldn't overcome some of the mistakes we made. We'll bounce back from this and be fine."

The split gave the Wildcats a record of 9-1 overall and 4-1 in the KLAA South, while Churchill's record moved to 7-3 overall and 3-2 in the division.

"The second game was good," Chargers coach Ron Targosz said. "The first game I was a little disappointed we didn't hang on. But give Plymouth credit too because they hit the ball and did what they needed to."

The opener was a see-saw affair, with Churchill clinging to a 5-4 lead entering the seventh.

Plymouth shortstop Ben Wohl got the winning rally started with a double to right-center off Churchill starting and losing pitcher Brent Ochodnicky.

Then Wohl scored the tying run on an RBI single to center by Mike Nadratowski (two hits, two runs) and that resulted in a pitching change for the Chargers.

With Jon Targus on the mound, and with one out, Nadratowski stole second base and trotted home with the tie-breaking tally on Phil Emminger's groundball single up the middle.

Junior first baseman Tyler Goble than raked a double to the gap in right-center to give Plymouth a 7-5 lead.

Plymouth starting pitcher Harrison Michels, who went the distance for the victory, gave up a leadoff double to Connor Dwyer to start the home half of the seventh. But Churchill could not keep the rally going.

Other key contributors offensively for the Wildcats included catcher Rich Guglielmi (two hits, two runs, one RBI), Michels (two hits) and sophomore outfielder Brendan Swanson "whose been playing real well for us," Boyd said.

Swanson scored a Plymouth run with a base hit.

Plymouth then looked poised to go on to a sweep, scoring twice in the top of the first against Churchill senior pitcher Ben Matigian in the nightcap.

Wohl walked with one out and went to third on Nadratowski's slicing double to left-center.

Guglielmi scored both teammates with a single to center, to make it 2-0.

Southpaw Nadratowski, however, quickly saw that lead vanish in a sloppy bottom of the first. Two unearned runs scored with the help of two errors and a wild pitch, although Dwyer's single accounted for one of the markers.

The Wildcats manufactured the lead run in the third. Second base-

man John Etienne (2-for-2) beat out a bunt for a single and went to third on the subsequent wild throw to first base.

Etienne scored on Wohl's sacrifice fly to left.

Nadratowski settled down on the mound, giving up just two hits and two walks over the final three frames he threw in the contest. He also fanned five, two of them to end Churchill threats.

Plymouth added another run in the fifth for a 4-2 lead. Swanson walked and stole second base. Etienne then singled to shallow right field, and Swanson scored when the right fielder could not pick the ball up cleanly.

With the rain falling harder, Justin Thompson took over on the Plymouth mound to pitch the fifth. He loaded the bases with one out and Stephen Foster's sacrifice fly to right brought home Dwyer to make it a 4-3 game.

Churchill then turned the tables on the Wildcats with two runs in the sixth to turn a deficit into a lead.

An infield single by Sean Servalish got it started. HE advanced on a wild pitch with one out and Thompson appeared to strike out Alex Tsakos for what would have been the second out.

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But Tsakos reached first when first baseman Goble could not cleanly handle Guglielmi's low throw after the catcher dropped the third strike.

Joe Williams (2-for-3, one run, one RBI) then tied the game with a single and Dwyer brought home the winning run with a sacrifice fly to center.

Matigian, who settled down after the first, retired the side in the top of the seventh to finish the win. He allowed just four hits and three walks.

"After we lost the first game like we did in the last inning," Targosz said, "and then they got two quick runs in the top of the first we could have easily quit. But these guys hung in there and battled."

He particularly liked how his team did "some of the little things" such as hustling on the dropped third strike and "giving yourself up" with clutch sacrifice flies.

"So it was good, especially the first game back from break," he added. "We haven't played in awhile."

Zebras earn dramatic 6-5 victory against Northville

Shane Wilson's RBI sacrifice fly scored winning pitcher Jacob Lefler with the game-winning run in the top of the seventh to give Wayne Memorial a 6-5 KLAA Kensington Conference baseball crossover win Friday at Northville.

Derrick Ferguson doubled to lead off the inning and scored on Lefler's RBI single to make it 5-all. But the play proved costly as Ferguson suffered a broken wrist while sliding into home.

Reliever Tyler McCurry set the Mustangs down in order in the bottom of the seventh to pick up the save. Lefler worked 1.1 innings in relief of Wilson, the starter, who pitched the first 4.2.

Jake Hansen was the losing pitcher in relief.

Each team collected six hits. Lefler went 2-for-4 with two RBI and two runs scored as the Zebras improved to 4-4 overall and 1-3 in the KLAA's South Division.

Matt Stojkov led Northville (3-4, 1-3) going 2-for-2 with two walks and two runs scored. STEVENSON 4, JOHN GLENN 1: Troy Bodtke pitched a complete game Friday as KLAA Central Division leader Livonia Stevenson (10-2, 6-0)

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turned back visiting Westland John Glenn (4-6, 0-2).

Bodtke faced 28 batters, allowing just three hits and four walks. He struck out eight. Losing pitcher Rob Schurig

also went the distance, allowing eight hits and three walks over six innings. He struck out eight.

Tyler Lynch went 2-for-4 to pace the Spartans' hitting attack. Piechota knocked in two runs,

while Mike Vomastek added an RBI double in the third. Chris McDonald also had a double and an RBI. Glenn got its only run in the first

on Caleb Clenney's double which scored Jesse Smitherman all the way from first.

FRANKLIN 11, SOUTH LYON 3: Back-toback homers in the fourth inning by Joe Barczuk and Travis Barnes propelled Livonia Franklin (7-3, 2-2) to a Kensington Conference crossover win Friday over the host Lions (2-9-1, 1-5-1) in a game played at South Lyon East.

Barczuk went 4-for-4 on the day including a double and four RBI.

Josh Gorman added three hits, while Barnes collected two as the Patriots broke it open with four runs in the third inning and four more in the fourth. Dwyer went 3-for-4 with two RBI and scored four runs Friday as Livonia Churchill (8-3, 4-2) stopped host South Lyon East (0-6, 0-5) in a Kensington Conference crossover. Brent Ochonicky also went 2-for-4 with two RBI to spark Churchill's 13-hit attack.

Winning pitcher Troy Bogenschutz went the first five innings, allowing five earned runs on six hits and four walks. Reliever Trey Jardine pitched two scoreless innings, allowing one hit and a wal

innings, allowing one hit and a walk. STEVENSON 7-4, SOUTH LYON 1-3: Back on the diamond for the first time in 15 days, Livonia Stevenson (9-2, 5-0) showed no ill effects from a lengthy spring break to sweep a KLAA Central Division baseball doubleheader Thursday from visiting South Lyon (2-8, 1-4-1).

The Spartans got a sterling pitching effort from Evan Piechota in the opener as the senior went all seven innings, allowing just three hits and no walks while striking out 12. Piechota also helped his own

Piechota also helped his own cause by knocking in a pair of runs, while Brandon Hayes added two hits and an RBI.

In the nightcap, junior Chris McDonald allowed just six hits over six innings in a game called because of darkness.

McDonald allowed one earned run, walked five and struck out seven. Hayes went 2-for-3, while Justin Small, J.J. Pettersson, Tyler Lynch and Josh DeYonker each scored a run.

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Winning pitcher Brent Marzion went all seven innings, allowing just four hits and walking only one. He struck out seven and survived four

errors. CHURCHILL 12, S.L. EAST 5: Connor

Spartan ace Johnson 1-hits John Glenn, 1-0

Jackie Johnson flirted with a perfect game going into the seventh inning Friday and it was a good thing for the Livonia Stevenson girls softball team.

Westland John Glenn's Kailey Vowles hit a soft line drive over second base to lead off the top of the seventh to break up Johnson's bid, but senior retired the next three batters in order and the Spartans were able to hold onto a 1-0 victory.

Stevenson improved to 4-2 overall with the victory, while Glenn falls to 4-6.

Johnson struck out 11 and did not allow a walk to earn the victory.

"Her ball had great movement all day and kept their hitters off balance," Stevenson coach Rob Witherspoon said. "I'm not sure if the outcome of the game would have been the same without her performance today."

Glenn freshman Lexie Lester scattered seven hits and

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one walk in taking the loss. Sarah Fier and Erika Randall each collected two hits for the Spartans, who scored their lone run in the first on a Glenn outfield error. CHURCHILL 9, S. LYON EAST 4: Abby

CHURCHILL 9, S. LYON EAST 4: Abby Jewell's 3-run homer in the third inning sparked a 5-run uprising Friday as Livonia Churchill (7-2) downed host South Lyon East (3-3).

Rachel Jason, Casey Bias and Jewell each collected three hits on the day, while Katie Sherada added an RBI double for the victorious Chargers.

Winning pitcher Missy Sidor went all seven innings, allowing nine hits and two walks while fanning six.

SOUTH LYON 4, FRANKLIN 3: On Friday, the host Lions (5-1) rallied for three runs over the final two innings to beat Livonia Franklin (2-3).

South Lyon scored twice in the sixth with four straight singles with two outs.

Winning pitcher Danielle Godair went all seven innings, scattering seven hits.

Franklin junior Nicole

Williamson (0-2), who gave up three earned runs on nine hits, took the loss.

Mariah Barcus and Maggie Leins each collected two hits for the Patriots. Audrey Geraghty and Barcus each had RBI doubles. Katelyn Devers and Nicole

Williamson each scored a run. PLYMOUTH 4-8, CHURCHILL 0-3: In a

KLAA South Division double-header Wednesday, sophomore Elaine Gerou proved to be a major thorn as the Wildcats (4-1, 4-0) swept host Livonia Churchill (6-2, 2-2).

Gerou allowed just four hits, walked three and struck out 14 as Plymouth took the opener, 4-0. Losing pitcher Natalie Hiser

allowed just three hits, walked three and struck out eight.

Jessica Bondy went 2-for-4 as Plymouth scored twice in the top of the sixth and seventh innings.

In the nightcap, Lindsey Lutton went 3-for-4 with a triple in an 8-3 Plymouth win.

Brooke Senkbeil, Lauren Smith and Gerou each added three hits in the victory as the Wildcats broke a 3-all tie with four runs in the top of the fifth inning.

Jewell was the losing pitcher and Casey Bias went 2-for-3 with a triple for the Chargers. Email your essay to: cbjordan@hometownlife.com Subject line:

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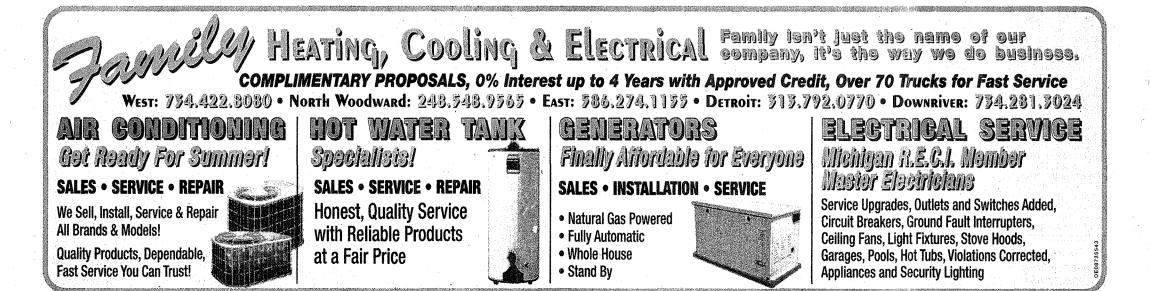
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BOYS TRACK RESULTS

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in 53.25, while foursome of Heinzelman, Sydney Anderson, Jarvis and Smalls took the 800 relay in 1:50.63.

Chargers' 4 x 800 relay team of Anderson, Kerigan Riley, Vivien Okechukwu and Pilat also captured first in 10:29.72.

"This is a repeat from Tuesday," Daugherty said. "A lot of the same performances came back. Vivien (Okechukwu) P.R.'ed in the two-mile (3,200) by 18 seconds today (12:20.04), and got third place.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF LIVONIA

GIRLS TRACK INVITATIONAL April 28 at Franklin TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Churchill, 88.5 Sints: 2. Franklin, 61; 3. Stevenson, 25.5. **GIRLS TRACK INVITATIONAL**

Shot put: 1. Mahogony Miller (C), 33 feet, 6 inches; 2. Megan Ling (C), 31-10; 3

Nicole Price (F), 29-8; 4. Ashley Gruden

Discus: 1. Sara Muzzin (S), 103-9; 2

Kayla Branton (S), 101-11; 3. Jade Burkett (S), 96-10; 4. Emily Norscia (C), 95-4.

High jump: 1. Pia Klein (F), 5-0; 2. Kelly O'Brien (F), 5-0; 3. Senclair McDonnell (C), 5-0; 4. Ashley Cochran (C), 4-5.

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points; 2. Frank

(F), 29-7

"I made (Bethany) Pilat run four races. Didn't have to, but we hadn't had practice in over week, so I had her get some running in. Nothing too surprising. The only problem we had to come back and do the same thing two days apart. And we did a good job doing that."

Franklin's top performer was senior distance runner Megan McPherson, who swept the 1,600 and 3,200 runs in 5:18.59 and 11:48.57, respectively. The Adrian College-bound state placer from a year ago also teamed up to win the 4 x 400 relay along with Kelly O'Brien, Olivia Carter and Klein.

The long jump, completed Friday because

of wet conditions, was won by Klein (16-5.5), who also captured the high jump (5-0).

Meghan Lark contributed a first in the pole vault (9-0), while O'Brien captured the 100 hurdles (16.31) for the Patriots.

"We competed a lot better today than Tuesday I felt," Franklin coach Dave Bjorklund said. "I thought we were a lot more focused, a lot more sharper. The points didn't work out as much in our favor as I had hoped, but I really was proud of the efforts we had out there today." Stevenson's lone first-place finisher was

Sara Muzzin in the discus (103-9).

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GIRLS TRACK RESULTS

Long jump: 1. Klein (F), 16-5.5; 2. Leah Heinzelman (C), 15-9; 3. Jordan Verleye (S), 14-7.75; 4. Natalie Modes (F), 14-1.25. Pole vault: 1. Meghan Lark (F), 9-0; Lindsey Kreutzman (C), 8-6; 3. Leanne Van Gilder (S), 6-6; 4. (tie) Morgan Quist (C) and Laura Blackstone (S), 6-6 each.

100-meter hurdles: 1. O'Brien (F). 16.31; 2. Jen Mueller (F), 16.47; 3. Dayna Esper (C), 17.01; 4. Andrea Gentile (S), 18.26 **300 hurdles:** 1. Molly Jarvis (C), 48.04, 2. Klein (F), 48.4; 3. 0'Brien (F), 50.2; 4.

Sarah Jakubowski (C), 53.16. 100 dash: 1. Demi Crossman (C), 12.82; 2. Heinzelman (C), 12.88; 3. Madison Agnew (F), 13.39; 4. Elyssa Hofmann (C), 13.48. **200:** 1. Heinzelman (C), 26.21; 2. Crossman (C), 26.89; 3. McDonnell (C), 27.5; 4. Brianna Jed (S), 28.07.

400: 1. Julia Szuba (C), 1:04.93; 2. Sydney Anderson (C), 1:04.79; 3. Nicole Lindberg (S), 1:06.16; 4. Amy Freed (S), 800: 1. Bethany Pilat (C), 2;27.9; 2. Karlie Gallagher (S), 2:32.27; 3. Kerigan Riley (C), 2:36.21; 4. Megan Wickens (F),

1,600: 1. McPherson (F),5:18.59; 2. Pilat (C), 5:29.83; 3. Riley (C), 5:45.54; 4. Anna Snider (F), 5:51.63.

3,200: 1. Megan McPherson (F), 11:48.57; 2. Pilat (C), 112:05.15; 3. Vivien

Okechukwu (C), 12:20.04; 4. Snider (F), 12:21.43 400 relay: 1. Churchill (Crossman,

Cochran, Latasha Smalls, Ajnia Jackson) 53.25; 2. Franklin, 54.04; 3. Stevenson, 55 0

800 relay: 1. Churchill (Heinzelman Anderson, Szuba, Lyndsey Terberg), 1:50.63; 2. Franklin, 1:55.87; 3. Stevenson 158.66

1,600 relay: 1. Franklin (O'Brien, Olivia Carter, McPherson, Klein), 4:21.18; 2. Churchill, 4:24.25; 3. Stevenson, 4:33.91. 3,200 relay: 1. Churchill (Anderson, Riley, Okechukwu, Pilat), 10:29.72; 2. Stevenson, 10:49.46; 3. Franklin, 11:22.58

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Adam Duncan (LS), 12.1.

win the 4 x 400 relay (3:34.58) and Blerim Mema, Ben Lambert and Jacob Colley for a win in the 4 x 800

BOYS DUAL MEET RESULTS LIVONIA STEVENSON 99 SOUTH LYON 38

Discus: 2. Aneed (LS), 122-1; 2. Pocalujka (LS),

April 26 at South Lyon Shot put: 1, Jon Aneed (LS), 47 feet, 6 inches; 2. Danny Pocalujka (LS), 37-7.5.

Long jump: 1. Nick Podulka (LS), 19-3; 2.

Angelo D'Orazio (LS), 18-9. Pole vault: 1. Ari Peppas (LS), 11-0; 3. Mitchell

Moore (LS), 10-6. 110-meter hurdles: 1. Joe Mims (LS), 17.63;

2: Jeremy Kozler (LS), 18.25; 3. Mike McDermott (LS), 18.4.

300 hurdles: 1. Mims (LS), 45.11; 2. Kozler
 (LS), 46.16; 3. Nahan Falzon (LS), 48.65.
 100 dash: 1. Kenning Britchford (LS), 11.58; 2.

113-10

relay (8:41.25). Franklin's first-place finishers included Adam Clay in the shot put (51-3.75); Tom Brokaw in the 110 hurdles (16.0); and Austin Jones in the 3,200 (10:13.5).

Clay, a junior, recently snapped

200: 1. Britchford (LS), 23.47; 2. Duncan (LS), 24 4 400: 1. Pat Smith (LS), 52.74.

- **800:** 1. Zaid Shareef (LS), 2:08.37; 3. Blerim Mema (LS), 2:15.75.
- 1,600: 1. Adam Chludzinski (LSO, 4:42.52; 2. Jacob Colley (LS), 5:02.2. **3,200**: 1. Joe Urso (LS), 10:24.34; 3. Stephen Fenech (LS), 10:58,39.

400 relay: 1. Stevenson (Dylan Dunn, Ryan Lackey, Duncan, Britchford), 1:35,49; 800 relay:

 Stevenson (Smith, Adam Wheeler, Shareef, Britchford), 1:35.49; 1,600 relay: 1. Stevenson (Matt Garon, Kozler, Podulka, Chludzinski), no time available; **3,200 relay:** 1. Stevenson

(Fenech, Mema, Urso, Ben Lambert), 8:48.61. Stevenson's dual meet record: 3-0 overall,

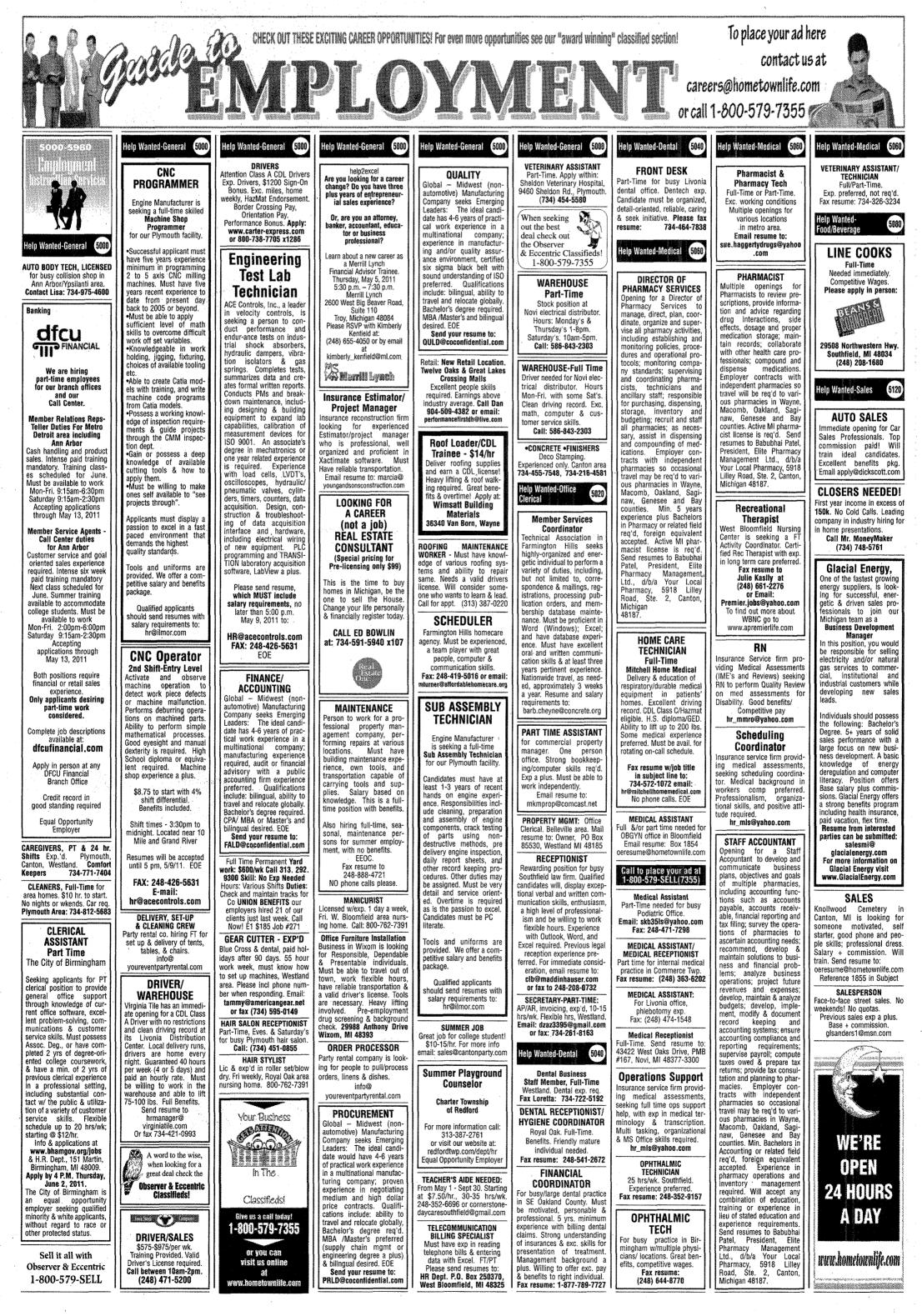
3-0 KLAA Central Division; South Lyon, 0-3 overall, 0-3 KLAA Central.

Jim Craig's 40-year school shot put record of 54-1.25 with a toss of 55-7 in the Ypsilanti April Showers Relays (on April 16).

The meet's top sprinter was Clarenceville's Kassius Kelly, a junior who captured the 100 in 10.94 (against a stiff cross wind) and the 200 (22.46).

Churchill's only individual win came from Alex Rytarsczyk in the pole vault (11-5).

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Smooth sailing

Hundreds of special needs adults, kids get their day in the sun

BY SHARON DARGAY O&E STAFF WRITER

Leonard Maisner and his crew of volunteers will light up around 800 smiles next month.

The Livonia man, a former commodore of the Detroit Yacht Club (DYC) and current president of Crawford-Armstrong Handicapped Association, is in charge of the annual "Fun Day in the Sun," that gives mentally and physically challenged individuals a boat ride along the Detroit River, along with an entertainment-packed picnic.

"One thing that keeps us into it is that a lot of these people who are severely handicapped only get out of their homes once or twice a year," Maisner said. "We get hugs, thank you. They shake hands, give kisses."

It's an event that Helen Willis' clients enjoy every year.

"It has been wonderful," said Willis, assistant director of the Redford-based Community Choices, which runs group homes throughout Wayne County. "We've been coming for 20 years. I have such a diverse population. Some people go just for the food and the music. The boat rides are really good and they enjoy those.

She said for some of the 69 Community Choices residents who attended last year

BUTTERFLY SUNDAY

What: A fundraiser for the Crawford-Armstrong Handicapped Association's annual Fun Day in the Sun When: 2-6 p.m. Sunday, May 15 Where: Detroit Yacht Club on Belle Isle

Details: Silent auction and raffles; guests also may attend the Yacht Club's Chicken buffet for \$10. The auction event is free and raises funds for the Fun Day in the Sun on June 18 Contact: DYC at (313) 824-1200; Crawford-Armstrong Handicapped Association at suska7@aol.com

with their 39 caregivers, Fun Day in the Sun also rekindled friendships with residents in other group homés.

"They really look forward to it. They remind me every year," Willis noted.

Carol Hepfinger, administrative assistant at New Outlook, Inc., of Livonia, said 28 clients attended the event last year and "our guys love it." New Outlook runs group homes in Canton, Taylor, Southfield and Garden City.

"They love everything, the food, the boat ride, the entire day. It's probably one of the few things they get out and do together. And very rarely would they get on a boat."

Volunteers help a guest at the boat dock during Fun Day in the Sun.

TWO FRIENDS

The Crawford-Armstrong Handicapped Association's Fun Day in the Sun, which is scheduled for June 18 this year, grew from a friendship between the late Bud Armstrong, a boater, and his handicapped friend, Clair Crawford. Armstrong invited Crawford aboard his boat in 1974 and after witnessing her joy, he vowed to give other mentally and physically chal-lenged individuals a day on the water.

The Association draws members from throughout the tri-county area, along with support and volunteers from the Detroit Yacht Club and Sailing Singles. Maisner and his wife, Marilynn, have been involved with the DYC for 32 years and began volunteering at Fun Day in the Sun in 1978 by giving 35- to 45-minute boat rides. Maisner, who grew up in a boating family, also taught his daughter to navigate the river and now is teaching his granddaughter.

"The first 10 years I had a boat with a wide open back deck. You could put wheelchairs on it," Maisner said. Now he's too busy coordinating approximately 100 volunteers, entertainment, food, and parking - while Marilynn staffs the registration table — to take his current boat, "Grumpy" on the river that day. He usually offers it to another volunteer.

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Participants enjoy a boat ride during a previous Fun Day in the Sun.

rides during Fun Day in the Sun. Maisner expects about 850 mentally and physically challenged adults and their caregivers will participate this year.

Clowns, face painters, music, dancing and food keep attendees busy while they're on land.

"We try to have enough for 800-900 people max," Maisner said. "One year we ended up with 1,300 people showing up and we ran out of food. The Yacht Club covered us. They came up with the additional 400 meals out of

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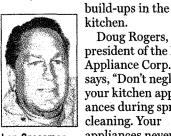
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ere are some inexpensive tips for spring cleaning, and you don't even have to leave the house to buy supplies to do them. These tips are to help eliminate odors, remove stains and rid food



kitchen. Doug Rogers, president of the Mr. Appliance Corp. says, "Don't neglect your kitchen appliances during spring cleaning. Your appliances never

get a day off. They take the most abuse yet probably get the least attention. Keep them clean to help them last

longer and run more efficiently.' Give spring cleaning a whole new meaning with these different and often forgotten tips from Mr. Appliance® and Mr. Rooter Plumbing®:

1. Eliminate odors in the refrigerator by using vanilla extract soaked into a paper towel and wipe down

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To eliminate odors in the garbage disposal, place ice cubes and citrus peels in the disposal. Turn on the cold water and then run the disposal for 15-30 seconds. After turning the disposal off, continue to rinse with hot water for 15 more seconds.

the walls inside the refrigerator.

2. Soak removable refrigerator parts in a sink with warm, soapy water to remove stains and spills.

3. Run an empty dishwasher with a cup of vinegar to remove food residue.

4. Removed caked on foods from over racks with warm, soapy water. 5. To eliminate odors in the garbage disposal, place ice cubes and citrus peels in the disposal. Turn on the cold water and then run the disposal for 15-30 seconds. After

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turning the disposal off, continue to rinse with hot water for 15 more seconds.

6. For cleaning the inside of microwave surfaces use a mixture of two tablespoons baking soda and one quart warm water to remove food stains.

7. To avoid the yellowing of white appliances, use a mixture of 1/2 cup bleach, 1/4 cup baking soda and four cups of warm water. Using a sponge wipe down the appliances let it set for 10 minutes before rinsing and drying.

8. To remove grease build up from garbage disposals, turn on the hot water then the disposal and squeeze a tablespoon of dishwashing liquid into the disposal. Run the hot water for 15-30 seconds and turn off the disposal but let the hot water run. until all the suds are gone.

9. For cleaning residue and stubborn stains on the inside of the microwave, heat a bowl of vanilla extract for three minutes and use it to wipe down the inside of the microwave. Be careful, the vanilla

extract may be hot.

10. To clean the condenser coils, which are located behind the fridge, use a brush or hand-held vacuum to remove dirt, dust and pet hair.

"The best way to ensure an odorfree and grease-free kitchen sink is to prevent the smell and buildup before it begins," said Mary Kennedy Thompson, president of Mr. Rooter Corporation. "A good dose of spring cleaning can clear the air, keeping your garbage disposal in good working condition."

Kitchen appliances and plumbing fixtures will continue to sparkle and smell fresh for many years to come just by following these tips from Mr. Appliance and Mr. Rooter Plumbing.

Lon Grossman of Bloomfield Hills is president of Technihouse Inspections Inc., a southeast Michigan residential and commercial inspection company. E-mail your questions to him at drdiy@comcast.net. Call (248) 855-5566. Visit his Web site, www. technihouse.com.

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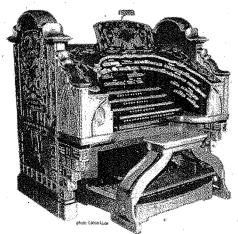
The Crawford-Armstrong Handicapped Association has held dinner dances in previous years to raise the \$11,000 needed to pay for Fun Day in the Sun. This year they plan a silent and raffle-style auctions on "Butterfly Sunday," May 15, at the Detroit Yacht Club. There's no cost to attend the auction which will be held in the Port Haven Room from 2-6 p.m. Guests may also attend the Club's chicken buffet which costs \$10 per person.

"For people who have never seen the Yacht Club, it's a great opportu-nity," Maisner said. "We'll have anything from items going for 10 bucks to Longaberger baskets that start at \$140. We have members offering cruises, a liquor basket worth \$400, wine baskets memorabilia from the hydroplane races."

Anyone interested in volunteering at Fund Day in the Sun can e-mail to suska7@aol.com.

The Detroit Yacht Club is located at 1 Riverbank Road, on Belle Isle in Detroit; (313) 824-1200 The Butterfly Sunday event is open to the public.

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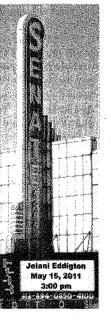
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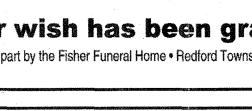
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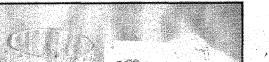
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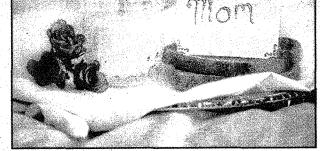








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The Michigan Humane Society (MHS) and the Detroit Zoo will host the 19th annual spring "Meet Your Best Friend at the Zoo" adoption event, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, May 14-15, at the Detroit Zoo in Royal Oak.

Hundreds of dogs, cats, puppies and kittens from MHS and more than 20 additional animal welfare groups will be available for immediate adoption. There is no charge for admission or parking for the event, which

Because puppies are often in high demand, "puppy passes" will be given each morning to the first 25 adoption event visitors who specifically want to adopt a puppy. Those with puppy passes will be allowed to enter the adoption tents at 9:45 a.m., preventing a "puppy rush" and ensuring that all adopters and animals will have a wonderful experience. A get-acquainted area will be available to give guests an opportunity to spend time with an animal before adopting.

Participating adoption organizations, in addition to the Michigan Humane Society, include: Adopt-A-Pet, Animal Rescue Connection, AuSable Valley Animal Shelter, Best Buddy Pet Rescue, Canine Companions Rescue Center, Faerie Tales Cat Rescue, Greater Hillsdale Humane Society, Humane Society of Livingston County, K-9 Stray Rescue, Last Chance Rescue, Little Traverse Bay Humane Society, Manistee County Humane Society, Metro Area Animal Adoption Association, Michigan Greyhound Connection, Mid-Michigan Cat Rescue, Inc., Midwest Small Breed Rescue, Missaukee Humane Society, Oakland County Animal Care Center, Precious Animal Welfare Society (P.A.W.S.), Roscommon County Animal Shelter, Sanilac County Humane Society, St. Joseph County Animal Control, Tigerlily Cat Rescue and WAG Animal Rescue.

Adoption fees and policies are set by each participating group and not by event sponsors. Animals will be adopted only to qualified homes. Adopters must present a driver's license or state ID card. All dogs and cats will have received a medical check-up and age-appropriate vaccinations. For health and safety reasons, visitors must leave their current dogs and cats at home.

The Detroit Zoo is located at 8450 W. 10 Mile (I-696 service drive) at Woodward Ave., in Royal Oak. (866) MHUMANE; www. michiganhumane.org.

MARK THESE DATES

Greyheart Greyhound Rescue and Adoption plans these upcoming "meet and greet" adoption events:

• 12:30-4:30 p.m. Sunday, May 8 and June 12, at Celebrity Pets in Laurel Park Place, 37700 W. Six Mile, Livonia.

• Noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 14, at Pet Supplies "Plus," 29439 W. Seven Mile, Livonia.

• 1-4 p.m. Sunday, June 5, at Canton PetCo, 43435 Ford Road, Canton.

For more about the organization, visit www.greyheart.org.

PET PROJEC

DeGrande of Bloomfield

will be held under tents in the front parking lot.

gathering at Copper Creek Golf Course in Farmington Hills. "There even were heart balloons," said Vernis, who watched

> her husband sink a 35-foot putt that day. "At the end of the golf game, my daughter let them go up in the air. With all the bad weather we've had, to think that Easter Sunday turned out to be perfect, it was a real blessing."

At a family dinner afterward, Vernis even dug her wedding dress out from the cedar chest and tried on her veil, watching as a granddaughter, tried on her 40s-era gown.

"It's gorgeous - all the satin and lace - and the train ... the royal wedding has nothing on us," Vernis said. "Then when you talk about a 70th anniversary, do any of those people hit 70? No."

LOVING COUPLE

Time will tell for the new Duke and Duchess of Cambridge, but the DeGrandes, who are for-

mer Birmingham and Livonia residents, have kept their marriage alive through a combination of love, caring and a healthy dose of humor.

"He's such a cute kid, sitting there doing his crossword puzzle with his jacket and hat on and a sucker in his mouth. He's like a kid," said Vernis, adding that her husband enjoys candy suckers now and then. "He's 89 and I'm 88."

They were kids when



Vernis and Fran DeGrande's original wedding cake top.

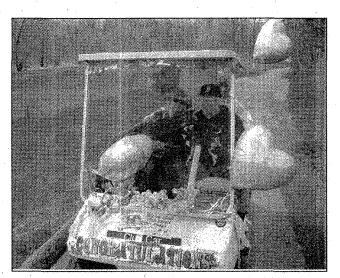
> they met at age 13 and 14. They grew up on the same block in Detroit but went to different schools. Although they celebrated their anniversary on April 24 this year, they tied the knot April 26, 1941 at St. John Berchman's Church in Detroit.

FAMILY

In addition to Diane, their children are Skip (Joyce) DeGrande of Milwaukee, Wis., and Brian (Barbara) **DeGrande of Farmington** Hills. Grandchildren are



Golf cart decorations included a copy of their original wedding photo. Vernis and Francis DeGrandes of Farmington Hills celebrated their 70th anniversary with family on the golf course, followed by dinner.



Vernis and Fran DeGrande drive their decorated golf cart through Copper Creek Golf Course in Farmington Hills.

Kristin, Nicole, Dustin, and Kathryn. Greatgrandchildren are Isla and Eamon.

A retired engineer from Ford Motor Co., Fran plays cards once a month and was an avid bowler and golfer. The couple also enjoys socializing with other "regulars" at a local Burger King every morning. "When he's happy,

she's happy," noted daughter-in-law Barbara

DeGrande. "They are an inspiration for me. Seventy years is an accomplishment."

They don't plan to renew their vows, but will ask for a blessing at church, like they do for every anniversary.

"To me it's very personal and it means so much to both of us that we've had many wonderful years," Vernis said, adding "I'm getting ready for 71.'



So much in love: Couple celebrates 70 years with golf, family dinner

BY SHARON DARGAY O&E STAFF WRITER

Kate and William have nothing on Vernis and Fran DeGrande.

The royal couple road in an open carriage after their wedding Friday but the DeGrandes of Farmington Hills cruised in memorable style on Sunday, April 24, while celebrating their 70th wedding anniversary. Their daughter, Diane

Hills decorated a golf cart with a

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Those denied can appeal on their own but statistics for many years réveal that those represented by attorneys win a much higher percentage of appeals. And attorneys who specialize in Social Security Disability cases win a much higher percentage yet.

Attorney Bieske has represented only Social Security Disability clients for over 27 years. That is the only type of law he practices. And, he personally meets with all clients and appears himself at all court hearings.



Many large firms assign clients to young associate attorneys with much less experience; and often these firms aren't even based in Michigan

In addition to practicing only Social Security disability law Bieske has written a book for attorneys about the subject. He also has been interviewed on various radio and television programs and has given speeches to many groups.

Bieske's office staff consists of paralegals and secretaries who are extremely helpful in answering questions with regard to the status of client's cases and administrative procedure.

Attorney Bieske welcomes you to

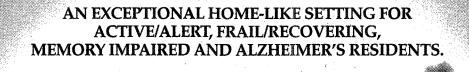
call him to determine if you may be eligible for these benefits. He offers a free phone or office consultation. If Bieske represents you, there will be no fee charged until after the case is won. The fee is a percentage of retroactive benefits

In a recent radio interview attorney Bieske explained that many people are not even aware that they are eligible for Social Security Disability

benefits. You may be eligible even if you have retired and are receiving a pension. If you have an illness or injury (whether or not related to your work), are under 65 and unable to work full-time you may be eligible. Social Security Disability benefits are based on your work record or your deceased spouse's work record (Widow's/ Widower's benefits).

Call attorney J.B. Bieske at 1-800-331-3530 for a FREE consultation if you are considering applying for Social Security Disability Benefits or if you have been denied. His Livonia office is located on Six Mile Road just West of I-275 and his Novi office is on Haggerty just North of 12 Mile Road

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CITY OF WESTLAND ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS **PUBLIC NOTICE**

The following appeals will be heard at a public hearing to be held in the Council Chambers of Westland City Hall, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, MI on Wednesday, May 18, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. at which time comments may be directed to the Board during audience participation. If you wish to reply by mail, send your comments to the above address. All property owners whose names appear in our tax rolls located within 300' of this property are being notified pursuant to this statute.

Petition #2730-G. Hankins-33052 Warren

Req. for 4 variances (1-side yd. fence location variance for the side yd. fences 2)-1'6" side yd. fence height 3)-front yd. fence type/style 4)-1' front yd. fence height) from Art. X of the Westland City Code of Ordinances in order to install a 6' high, 4' high, & 3' high privacy fence in the west side yd. & front yd. of the home; whereas Sec. 22-304(a) states that only rear yds. may be enclosed with a fence, Sec. 22-303(c) states that side yd. fences that are allowed cannot exceed 3' in height, Sec. 22-304(a)(3) states that front yd. fences are allowed as split rail/ranch style fences, and Sec. 22-303(f) states that front yd. fences that are allowed cannot exceed 3' in height.

Petition #2731-L. Liendo-2431 S. John Hix

Req. for 4 variances (1-fence location variance for the front yd. fence 2)-1'6" side yd. fence height variance 3)-front yd. fence style/ type 4)-1' front yd. fence height variance) from Art. X of the Westland City Code of Ordinances in order to install a 6' high & 4' high privacy fence in the north & south side yds. of the home and a 4' high privacy fence in the front yd. of the home along the south side of the lot; whereas Sec. 22-304(a) states that only rear yds. may be enclosed with a fence, Sec. 22-303(c) states that side yd. fences that are allowed cannot exceed 4'6" in height, Sec. 22-304(a)(3) states that front yd. fences are allowed as split rail/ranch style fences, and Sec. 22-303(f) states that front yd. fences that are allowed cannot exceed 3' in height.

Petition #2732-C. Claus-33674 Melton

Req. for a 660 sq. ft. detached structure area variance from Ord. 248 to construct a 30' x 40' detached garage at the rear of the home that would comprise 1,200 sq. ft.; whereas Sec. 7:4.3(b) states that the square footage of a detached garage cannot exceed the footprint of the home. (the existing home has a footprint of 540 sq. ft).

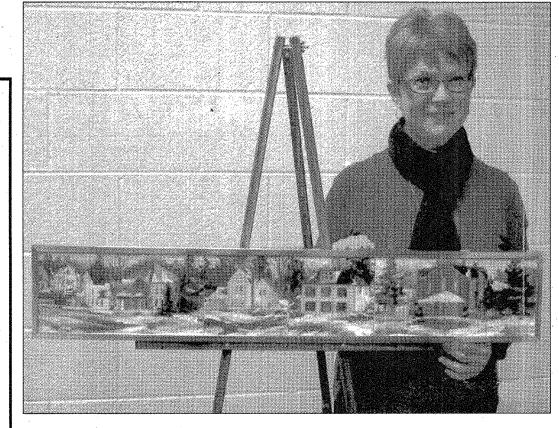
Petition #2733-L. Wier, 5975 N. Wayne Rd.

Req. for a 51.4 sq. ft. sign area variance from Ord. 248 as a result of the installation of 101.4 sq. ft. of wall-mounted canopy signage on the front (east), north & south sides of the tenant space; whereas Sec. 15:6.2(a) allows the space a maximum of 50 sq. ft. of wall-mounted signage.

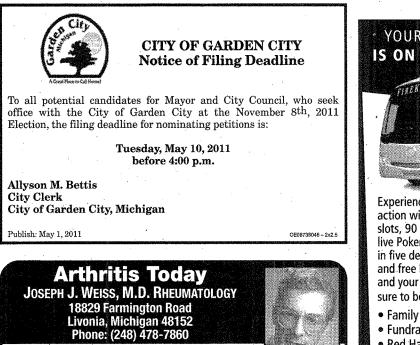
Petition #2735-R. Lotteke-6644. N. Merriman

Req. for 4 variances (1-60 sq. ft. detached structure area variance 2)-5,867 sq. ft. minimum lot area variance 3)-9' detached accessory structure height variance 4)-22' street side yd. setback variance, from Ord. 248 in order to construct a 24' x 40" detached garage at the rear of the home that would comprise 960 sq. ft., would be 23' in height and would be located 3 ft. from the street side lot line ; whereas Sec. 7:4.3(b) states that the square footage of a detached garage cannot exceed the footprint of the home (the home has a footprint of 900 sq. feet), Sec. 7:4.3 states that detached accessory structures shall not exceed a hgt. of 14' however, the height may exceed 14' provided that: 1) the size of the lot exceeds 1/3 of an acre (14,520 sq. ft) 2) the accessory structure does not exceed the maximum hgt. requirement for the principal structure, and 3) approval of the Zoning Board of Appeals is first obtained for any such height variance; as the lot proposed for the construction does not exceed 1/3 of an acre as it comprises 8,652 sq. ft, and Sec. 7:4.3(d) states that when an accessory building is located on a corner lot, the side lot line of which is substantially a continuation of the front lot line of the lot to the rear, said building shall not project beyond the front yd. line required on the lot to the rear of such corner lot (the corner aside lot line of the subject property constitutes the front lot line of the home to the rear; therefore, the proposed detached garage must be setback the minimum required front yd. setback of the home to the rear, or 25').

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Dearborn artist Janet Kondziela won first place in the Visual Arts Association of Livonia's spring show.



FIBROMYALGIA - FACT OR FICTION

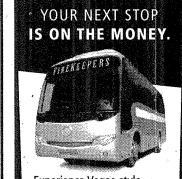
Many people continue to believe that Fibromyalgia does not exist. To these people Fibromyalgia is a name doctors give to middle aged women who are nervous, depressed and too concerned over every ache and itch.

Such a characterization of Fibromyalgia is wrong. The other name of Fibromyalgia is Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. This phrase not only describes the disorder in veterans of each of the Iraq wars and the Afghan campaign, but of the women unjustly accused of being merely neurotic and self-centered.

Fibromyalgia has features that distinguish it from other medical and psychiatric conditions. Those features include the presence of daily pain in both the upper and lower limbs, the frequent migration of pain, short periods of no pain, associated headaches, jaw aching, pain over the anterior chest, episodes of irritable bowel, and unexplained urinary bladder spasms. In addition, patients with Fibromyalgia are subject to unexpected episodes of numbness down the arms, often mistaken as being Multiple

Usually the person with Fibromvalgia relates that the condition began after an accident or a potentially near death experience, a common starting point for war veterans. In civilian life the corresponding episode is a fall from a high ladder, being a victim in a rear end car collision, or of experiencing an out-of-control car hitting head on and without warning.

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Art group names exhibit winners

The Visual Arts Association of Livonia (VAAL) will award winners in its annual spring show, "Artistic Expressions" at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 5, at Livonia City Hall, located on Five Mile just east of Farmington Road.

The show runs May 3-27. Leslie Masters, an artist and teacher at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, juried the exhibit, chosing 50 works from among 100 submissions.

Janet Kondziela of Dearborn won first place for her oil painting of "Hill Houses," depicting a northern Michigan landscape. She created the scene while on a painting sabbatical with a friend. The weather was too cold for plein air, so she painted from her window.

Kondziela paints plein air, still life, landscapes, portraits and pets, mostly in oil, but also in pastel, conte crayon, and charcoal. She worked for 40 years as a sign painter and illustrator for the U.S. Postal Service and her murals can be seen at the Detroit Post Office at 1401 Fort St. in Detroit.

Other winners in the VAAL show were second place, Regina Dunne of Northville for her pastel, "Las Casitas in N.M.," and third place, Betty Lewis of Novi for her abstract acrylic painting "Motion."

Honorable Mentions went to Betty Felts for her pastel, to Jean Thomas for her watercolor monotype and to Daria Fileta, . Al Weber and Susan Wolocko for their watercolors.

The awards reception is free and open to the public.

For more information about VAAL, the art exhibit or about VAAL classes call (734) 838-1204 or visit www.vaalart.org.

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Pack 271 of St. Michael's will host the rally and parents may attend with their sons. For more information, call the parish office at (734) 261-1455, Ext. 200.



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Notice is hereby given that all noxious weeds growing on any land in the City of Westland, Wayne County, Michigan, must be destroyed on or before the 15th and 30th days throughout the months of May, June, July, August, September and October of 2011. Any person failing to comply with this notice on or before the dates mentioned shall be liable to the imposition of penalties set forth in Section 106-97 of the Westland Code of Ordinance and shall be liable for all expenses incurred by the City in destroying said noxious weeds, which expenses, if unpaid by the owner, occupant, or agent, shall be spread against the property on the next County and School tax roll or the next general City tax roll.

Kevin L. Buford Director, Department of Public Service City of Westland www.kbuford@cityofwestland.com

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RELIGION CALENDAR

Send calendar items to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@hometownlife. com. Feel free to include relevant photos as attached jpgs. Or mail items to Dargay, Observer, 615 Lafayette, level 2, Detroit, MI 48226.

MAY 1-4

Book Collection

Time/Date: Through May 4 Location: Livonia Church of Christ, 15431 Merriman, Livonia Details: The church is collecting items for God's Helping Hands, an organization in Rochester that will trade the donations to Tithingbooks.com for food for needy families. Donations may include trade paperbacks, hardcover fiction and non-fiction, movie DVDs, books on CD and music CDs (must contain artwork and case), gently used children's books, textbooks (copyright 1998 or newer), and mass market paperbacks (copyright 2004 or newer) and rare and collectible books. The church can't accept books that are dirty, moldy, water-damaged, with highlighting, pages missing, excessive damage to covers, or encyclopedias or magazines. Place donations under church awning.

Faith in fiction

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesday, May

Location: Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile, Livonia Details: Award-winning Michigan Christ author, Gail Martin, will discuss faith in fiction. She is the author of 48 novels, including "The Christmas Kite," set on Mackinac Island. Refreshments will be served. Free of charge, but registration is required.

Contact: Beth Hare at (734) 421-7249

Fundraiser

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. boutique and noon luncheon with guest speaker, Wednesday, May 4 Location: Shaarey Zedek, 27375 Bell, Southfield Details: "An Afternoon with Patti Stanger," includes boutique shopping, a luncheon and guest speaker Stanger, who is star of Bravo's series, "The Millionaire Matchmaker." Lunch tickets start at \$54 Contact: IInwomansworld.org or call (248) 357-5544, Ext. 48

Jewish history tour

that act as an obstacle to health. Chris Niedzinski will give practical guidance on results-oriented exercise, nutrition, limiting toxicity and

balancing hormones, taking proper care of body structure and function, managing stress and building peace. Register at Wardchurch.org Contact: (248) 374-7400

Rummage sale

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 5-6 Location: Good Hope Lutheran Church, 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden Citv

Details: Bargains galore. Clothing, housewares, gifts and more. Bake sale, too

Contact: (734) 427-3660

Rummage sale

Time/Date: 5-8 p.m. Thursday, May 5 is presale; regular sale is 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, May 6, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 7 Location: Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor

Trail, Livonia Details: Presale admission is \$2 per adult. Saturday everything is half

Contact: (734) 422-0149

MAY 12-18

Retreat

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Time/Date: 7 p.m., Thursday, May 12 Location: St. Aidan Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia Details: Mary Healy, associate professor of sacred scripture at Sacred Heart Major Seminary and the Rev. Norm Dickson, SJ lead a "mini retreat" on "The Eucharist and the Christian Life" Contact: RSVP to (734) 425-5950 or e-mail to mtschmidt@sbcglobal.net

Rummage sale

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday-Friday, May 13-14 and 9 a.m.-noon, Saturday, May 15 Location: First United Methodist Church, 3 Town Square, Wayne Details: Baked goods, refreshments available for sale; \$2 bag sale on Saturday

Contact: Paula Greenwell at (734) 941-5998

Widowed Friends

Time/Date: Check in by 2:15 p.m., Mass starts at 2:30 p.m. May 15 Location: St. Thomas a'Becket Church, 555 S. Lilley, south of Cherry Hill, Canton Details: The group sponsors a special Mass for widowed men and from hurts, hang-ups and habits Contact: (734) 464-7990 Men's Bible study

Time/Date: Breakfast at 7 a.m. and study at 8 a.m. Location: Kirby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty, Northville

Township Contact: John Shulenberger at (734) 464-9491

New Life Community Church Time/Date: Jobs seminar, 8-9 am., Fridays; reading program for students in grades K-12 and martial arts instruction, both at 10 a.m., Sundays

Location: 42200 Tyler, Belleville Contact: (734) 846-4615 **Nicole's Revival**

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m., Monday-Friday

Location: YWCA Northwest Branch, 25940 Grand River, west of Beech Daly, Redford Details: KJV Scripture Reading,

Communion and Prayer Contact: (313) 531-1234

Our Lady of Loretto Time/Date: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday Location: Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford

Details: Scripture study Contact: (313) 534-9000 **Ward Presbyterian**

Time/Date: 7 p.m., Mondays Location: Room A101, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville Details: Learner's Bible study is held

Contact: (248) 374-5920

Clothing bank

Canton Christian Fellowship Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., fourth Saturday and 5-6:30 p.m., second Wednesday

Location: 41711 Joy, between Lilley and Haggerty

Details: Canton Christian Fellowship Clothing Bank offers free clothing (men, women and children) for those in need Contact: (734) 404-2480, visit

www.CantonCF.org or send e-mail to info@cantoncf.org

Food Bank

New Hope Church Time/Date: 5-7 p.m., every Friday by appointment only Location: is 44815 Cherry Hill, Canton

Contact: Call pastor Ranay Brown to schedule an appointment at

Moms

(734) 270-2528.

MILESTONES

APRIL WEDDING

Johanna Rae Dase and Charles Douglas Bulbuk were married Saturday, April 2, 2011, by the Rev. Randy Duncan of Living Word Church in Plymouth.

Parents of the bride are Brad and Pam Dase of Plymouth, formerly of Novi. The groom's parents are Mike and Karen Bulbuk of Novi.

The bride's sister, Katie (Dase) McMillion, served as the matron of honor. Gina Mastrofranciesco, friend of the bride, was a bridesmaid. Best man was Drew Bulbuk, brother of the groom. The other groomsman was Johnny Loewen, cousin of the groom.

The reception was held at the Fox Hills Golf Course in Plymouth. The newlyweds honeymooned in Fort Myers, Fla.

The bride and groom met while attending

MAY WEDDING PLANNED

Lindsay Rayburn and Joshua Holman of Ann Arbor are pleased to announce their engagement

Lindsay is the daughter of Dave and Sue Rayburn of Livonia. Joshua is the son of Brent and Maureen Holman of Fargo, N.D.

The bride-to-be is a 2001 Livonia Stevenson High School graduate. She earned a B.S. degree in cellular and molecular biology in 2005, an M.S. degree in clinical research, and a CGS in science, technology and public policy in 2010, all from the University of Michigan. She will receive a D.D.S. degree in 2012 from the University of Michigan School of Dentistry.

Her fiancé is a 2001 Fargo South High School graduate. He earned a B.A. degree in political science and German in 2005, from

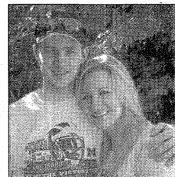
Novi High School, graduating in 2003 respectively. Johanna currently works stylist and is completing her certifica-

Bulbuk-Dase

Schoolcraft College. Charles is an employee of Tim's Tree Service in Farmington Hills.

The couple resides in Plymouth.

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Rayburn-Holman ney in Detroit.

They plan a May 2011 wedding in the University of Michigan Nichols Arboretum and a honeymoon in Costa Rica.





ANDREW, MARY LOUISE

from a heart attack at St. Mary's Hospital, Livonia MI. She was the daughter of the late Michael D. Mack

charities and kept an active interest in her Polish heritage. She was a loving and devoted mother and grandmother. She is survived by her children; James (Beverly) Urban, Kathleen Urban and Edward (Lauri) Lacy, her grandchildren; Michelle, Erin, Kevin, Shannon, her step grandchildren; Kenneth, Doris, Jimmy, John, Stephanie and her step great grandson, Javon. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband Edward in 1966. A memoria Mass will be held at St. Joseph Catholic Church in South Lyon in the near future. Online Guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com

ing life. She was a successful entre-

preneur, gave generously to catholic

11 AM Monday, May 2, 2011 at St. Augustine Catholic Church, 6481 Faussett Rd., Howell. Fr. Gregg Pleiness celebrant. Burial will follow in St. Augustine Catholic Cemetery Visitation will be held 2-4 PM Sunday at Sharp Funeral Homes, Linden Chapel, 209 E. Broad St., Linden. Rita was a graduate of Berkley High School and University of Detroit. Surviving are: husband, Edward: five children. Tributes may be posted on the obituaries page of: www.sharpfuneralhomes.com

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the University of Michigan, and a J.D.

of Minnesota Law School. He works as a Wayne County assistant pros-

Time/Date: 12:15-4:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 3

Location: Meet in south parking lot 26400 Lahser, Southfield Details: Bus tour of Detroit's Jewish history including neighborhoods, synagogues, markers and other significant sites. Snacks provided. Cost \$30. Must RSVP and pay by April 28

Contact: (248) 355-3300, Ext. 0

Religious school

Time/Date: 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Sunday, May 1

Location: The Corners, 2075 Walnut Lake Road, just west of Inkster, West Bloomfield

Details: Open house for Temple Shir Shalom's religious school. Tour the school, learn about its program, grab a nosh, meet the rabbis, join in for T'fillah

Contact: (248).406-4255; www. shirshalom.org

MAY 5-11 **Grief class**

Time/Date: 6:30-8 p.m. six Wednesdays, beginning May 11 Location: First United Methodist Church of Birmingham, 1589 W. Maple, between Southfield and Cranbrook in Birmingham Details: Life After Loss: A Journey Through Grief is a six-session grief class for people who have experienced the loss of a loved one. They'll explore the various stages of grief and the various techniques for coping with grief, working through grief, and even growing through grief. Register with Bev Richardson by Friday, May 6 at brichardson@fumcbirmingham.org or call her at (248) 646-6407 Ext. 3156, by Friday, May 6 Contact: The church office is (248) 646-1200

Health seminar

Time/Date: 1-5 p.m. May 7 Location: Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville Details: The class will first focus on overcoming limitations in the mind

women; refreshments and social time after Mass Contact: Call Pat (734) 895-6246

MAY 19-25 Rummade sale

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday, May 20 and 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 21 Location: Antioch Lutheran Church, 33360 W. 13 Mile at Farmington Road in Farmington Hills Details: Tax-deductible donations may be dropped off at the

back door of the church from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. and 5-7 p.m., Monday-Wednesday, May 16-18. Bag sale Saturday, May 21 Contact: (248) 626-7906 or e-mail to judyglass@mi.rr.com

ONGOING

AWANA Time/Date: 6:30-8 p.m.,

Wednesdays Location: Faith Bible Church, 23414 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills Details: AWANA program for children from kindergarten-fifth grade

Contact: (248) 426-0096 Classes/study

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 7-8 p.m., second Monday of the month Location: 34567 Seven Mile, between Farmington and Newburgh roads, Livonia

Details: Open Arms Bible class for adults with developmental disabilities and special needs. Includes songs, Bible lessons, crafts and activities, prayer, snacks and fun. Contact: pastor Scott Sessier at (734) 673-2485 or e-mail to pastorscott@emmanuel-livonia.org

Faith Bible Church

Time/Date: 9:45-10:45 a.m. Sundays through May 8 Location: 34541 Five Mile, Livonia Details: "Four Views of the End Times" adult study Also ongoing: "Life's Healing Choices" Study Group, 6 p.m., fourth Sunday through September is for men and women who want freedom

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church

Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m., second Tuesday, MOPS; 7-8:30 p.m., first and third Thursday, MOPSnext. Both programs run through May Location: 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia

Details: Mothers of

Preschoolers is aimed at mothers of infants through kindergartners; MOPSnext supports mothers of school-aged children. The theme will be "Momology - The Art & Science of Mothering" for MOPS and "Boundaries" for MOPSnext Contact: Rebekah Creeden at (734) 524-0283 for MOPS and Susan Magner at (248) 478-3643 for MOPS details

Dunning Park Bible Chapel Time/Date: 9:30-11:30 a.m., first

and third Tuesdays Location: 24800 West Chicago Road, Redford

Details: MOPS is a place where moms can build friendships, receive mothering support, practical help and spiritual hope **Contact**: Amy at (313) 937-3084 or Kristen at (734) 542-0767

Pet-friendly service

Time/Date: 1 p.m., Sunday Location: Dunk N Dogs, 27911 Five Mile, Livonia Details: All Creatures ULC spon-

sors the service which is conducted in an informal setting. Pet blessings are available after the service. All Creatures ULC describes the gathering as nondenominational and Christian. Water is available for dogs Contact: (313) 563-0162

Prayer Nardin Park United Methodist

Church Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesday Location: 29887 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills Details: Participate in an open time of praying silently

and aloud together as well as responding to personal requests Contact: (248) 476-8860

and the late H. Louise Mack. Loving wife of the late Daniel Andrew, devoted mother of Michele Andrew (Grigore) Muntianu and Ann Andrew (Stephen) King, cherished grandmoth-er of Monica (Mark) McDowell, adored great-grandmother of Carson McDowell and beloved sister of John

I. (Marilyn) Mack and Michael D. (June) Mack. Mary Lou leaves behind many nieces, nephews, and grandnieces/nephews. She will be greatly missed by both family and friends. She served in the following civic organizations: The Livonia Housing Schoolcraft College Commission. Transition Center, Friends for the Development of Greenmead College Schoolcraft Foundation Board of Governors, Neighbors and Friends, Livonia Livonia Towne Club, Livonia Symphony Orchestra, Sauk Trail Chapter of Questers, An-Tea-quers, Junior Group of Goodwill, Livonia Meadows Civic Association, Livonia League of Women Voters, Livonia Spree, Older Women's League, Livonia Board of Education Advisory Board, Livonia Community Prayer Breakfast, and Madonna University Auction Committee. In 1996, she was nomi-nated for the City of Livonia's First Citizen Award. Visitation will be held at Fred Wood Funeral Home - Rice Chapel, 36100 Five Mile Rd, Livonia MI (E. of Levan) Saturday, April 30, 2:30 - 9 pm and Sunday, May 1, 1:00– 9 p.m. with Rosary at 7:00 p.m. Funeral services Monday, May 2, 9:30 .m. instate, 10:00 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of Victory Church, 132 Orchard Street, Northville MI. Memorial contributions can be made to Schoolcraft College Transition Center or Friends

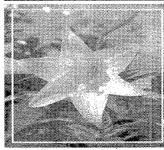
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In Memory Of



In Memory of a Avid Red Wing Fan. One year later. GRACZYK, JOSEPH "PAT" MAY 2, 2010

Once known as the man with the horn. Devoted husband of Carol. Dear father of Joe Jr. (Janice), Rick and Jason. Grandfather of Chelsie, Riley, Great-Grandfather of Zadyn. Joley. Retired chef at Ford Motor Co. Truly missed by many relatives and the greatest friends.





MAYE, MARCINDA MAE

37 year old spirit. Til death did we part. Survived by husband, James Maye; daughter, Shanidiin; and son Seamus. Viewing at Harris Funeral Home, 5 Mile and Farmington, Thursday, April 28th, 2pm-7pm. Service to follow. Burial to take place on Navajo Nation Reservation, Sacred Family Ancestral Grounds, in Arizona. Our love was "for reals".



PARKS, ELIZABETH M.

Age 82, of Stanwood, formerly of Plymouth, April 23, 2011. Beloved wife of James. Loving mother of James (Terri), Sheila (Mitchell) Holly, Thomas, Maureen (Keith) Carmickle. John (Mary Patricia) and the late Michael. Also survived by eight grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren and sister, Audrey (Nathan) Burkwich. Visitation Thursday 2-9 PM at Spaulding & Curtin Funeral Directors, 500 W. Nine Mile Rd., Ferndale (1 ½ blks west of Woodward). In State Friday 9:30 AM until Funeral Mass 10 AM at St. James Catholic Church, Ferndale. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. Memorial contributions to The Congregation of St. Joseph Nazareth, MI. www.spauldingcurtin.com

SOLVICK, STANLEY D.

Beloved husband of Andrea Eason and the late Shirley Solvick. Dear brother of the late Larry Solvick Brother-in-law of Sandra Solvick. Loving uncle of Scott Solvick, Steven Solvick and Stacy Goforth. Also survived by numerous cousins, colleagues, and friends. A MEMORIAL SERVICE WILL BE HELD ON SUN-DAY, MAY 1 AT 12:00 PM AT THE DORFMAN CHAPEL, FARMING-TON HILLS (248) 406-6000. INTER-MENT WAS HELD IN FLORIDA or visit www.thedorfmanchapel.com



WISNIEWSKI, EDDIE F.

Age 62, passed away on April 25, 2011 after a heroic battle against Multiple Myeloma cancer. Devoted husband of Marcia. Loving father of Brian (Cristen), Sheryl (Sean) McGraw and Matt. Adored papa of Conner, Gavin, Addison and Faith. Dear brother of John (Sharlene), Betty (Richard) Jones, Virginia Santo, Kathy (Gary) Verbeke and Eugene (Carolyn). Also loved by many nieces, nephews cousins and friends. Funeral services were held on Saturday, April 30, 2011 at St. Aidan Church, Livonia. Family welcomes donations to Ed Wisniewski Business Scholarship Fund or Karmanos Cancer Institute. Additional details are available at www.checkoneddie.com

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Doctors: Traditional therapies may work in treating psoriasis

For patients with severe psoriasis, a new class of intravenous and injectable biological medicines known as "biologics" has brought about a near revolution in treatment.

But doctors at the University of Michigan Health System say patients and their doctors also should consider long-established treatment alternatives that are less expensive and avoid some of the risk factors associated with the immune system-suppressing biologics, such as increased risk of serious infection and lymphoma.

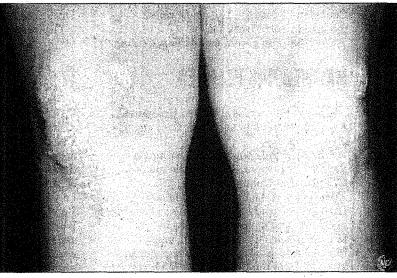
One of the oldest treatments for psoriasis is known as Goeckerman therapy. The process involves applying ointment made from coal tar to a patient's skin and exposing the patient to ultraviolet radiation with light therapy, which work together to clear the patients' skin.

The U-M Dermatology Day Treatment Center is among a small number of places in the country to offer a modernized version of the treatment, which dates back to the 1920s.

Sometimes when new treatments come along, everyone jumps on the bandwagon," says Thomas Anderson, M.D., medical director of the Day Treatment Center and associate professor of dermatology at the U-M Medical School. "But Goeckerman has a lot of advantages over biologics. One of the biggest ones is that you're not on it forever.'

Cost can also be an important factor in deciding whether to use biologics or seek alternatives. The average course of biologics is \$22,000 to \$59,700 per year, according to a recent article in the International Journal of Dermatology, while Goeckerman therapy costs \$10,000 to \$12,000.

"The modified Goeckerman treatment



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Doctors at the University of Michigan Health System suggest that patients and their physicians consider long-established treatments and not just biologics to control psoriasis.

> has some advantages and we see good remissions," says Allen Bruce, M.D., Ph.D., a psoriasis researcher and lecturer in the Department of Dermatology at the U-M Medical School. "It can be good for people who have certain risk factors, such as multiple sclerosis, cancer or a history of chronic infections. It's also a good option for people who would prefer, for a number of reasons, not to be on biologics."

> The three-week tar and light therapy is intensive, but provides quick relief for many patients, allowing them to don shorts and participate in summer activities without being self-conscious about skin plaques. Remissions can last up to 10 years, but many patients require treatment every year or two.

According to a 2010 article in Pediatric Dermatology, Goeckerman therapy is unfairly considered a "lost art." Given its record of safety and effectiveness, the authors recommended "the current trend toward abandonment of this treatment should be reversed."

MAY

Michigan Bariatric Institute

May 7, in the south lobby at St. Mary

Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia.

Many post-operative bariatric patients

will sell their gently used, plus-sized

reasonably priced choices of clothing

for women (sizes 14-32) and men (sizes

40-60, and up to 5XL. (877) 949-9344 or

clothing. There will be a variety of

Stroke seminar will include a robot

demonstration, panel of expert, free

and a question and answer session,

4:30-7 p.m. Tuesday, May 10. The

seminar is free but registration is

required. To register, call (734) 655-

2365, or visit stmarymercy.org/classes.

Refreshments and light snacks will be

served. The hospital is located at 36475

The Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer

Center will conduct free oral, head and

neck cancer screenings for adults, age

18 and over, from 1:30-4:30 p.m. May 13,

at 4100 John R, south of Warren Ave.,

north of Mack, next to Harper Hospital

exam can help determine if follow-up

is needed. Some of the warning signs

of oral cancers are a sore throat that

does not subside; red or white patches

in the mouth that last more than two

weeks; change in voice or hoarseness

that lasts more than two weeks; pain

or swelling in the mouth or neck that

does not subside; lump in the neck; ear

pain; difficulty speaking, swallowing or

breathing. Two risk factors that greatly

cancer are the use of tobacco products

and frequent, heavy consumption of

to arrange for a free screening and

alcohol. Pre-register by 5 p.m., May 12,

increase the risk of head and neck

in Detroit. A simple 10-minute screening

blood pressure and stroke screenings

visit www.stmarymercy.org.

St. Mary Mercy Hospital

Five Mile, Livonia.

Cancer screening

Psoriasis affects 7.5 million Americans, according to the National Psoriasis Foundation. Up to 30 percent of patients may also develop psoriatic arthritis, a painful joint condition.

Biologics can

provide relief for

patients with psori-

atic arthritis, while Goeckerman treatment does not. Some patients pursue a combination of treatments that includes both biologics and Goeckerman.

Therapy at U-M's Day Treatment Center is done on an outpatient basis. Patients who live within 30 miles can return home at night and in many cases hotel stays for patients from farther away are provided as part of the treatment cost.

Along with psoriasis, the center also treats rare skin conditions including chronic atopic dermatitis, eczema, chronic contact dermatitis and cutaneous t-cell lymphoma.

For more information visit the U-M Day Treatment Center's website:

http://www.med.umich.edu/derm/ patient/gendtc.shtml

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MEDICAL DATEBOOK

complimentary valet parking. Call (800) KARMANOS. On-site registration on May 13 also will be accepted if space is

The Institute will hold a plus-size clothavailable. ing sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday,

Skin cancer screening

Wayne State University Physician Group is offering a free screening 2:30-5:30 p.m. May 4 at 18100 Oakwood Blvd., Suite 300, in Dearborn, Only walk ins will be accepted. For more information call 313) 240-4900.

Book signing

Detroit native, Dr. Martin Rossman will sign his new book, "The Worry Solution," at 6:30 p.m. May 6, at William Beaumont Hospital, located on 13 Mile, just west of Woodward in Royal Oak. He'll also teach the techniques in his new stress-management book which teaches readers how to use guided imagery to develop a "good worry" habit. Books available for purchase.

ONGOING Aquatic classes

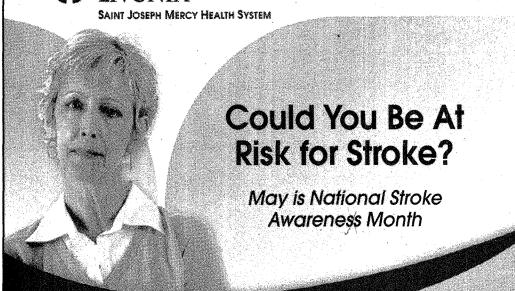
The YMCA of Metropolitan Detroit and the Arthritis Foundation have partnered to offer aquatic classes designed to ease the pain of arthritis. Classes are held 10-11 a.m., Tuesday and Thursday at the Farmington branch; 1-1:45 p.m. Monday and Wednesday at the Livonia branch; and 2-3 p.m. Wednesday and Friday, at the Birmingham branch. All classes are offered to members and nonmembers 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 Drive, Commerce. Enter the building via the South Garden entrance. Registration not required.

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Blood pressure screening, presentation and Q&A from a panel of experts.

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Refreshments and light snacks will be served.

St. Mary Mercy Hospital is a member of the Michigan Stroke Network, providing our patients with access to neurology specialists through the use of robotic techology at the bedside, 24 hours, seven days per week. Advanced Primary Stroke Center Certification from the Joint Commission

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FIBROMYALGIA/CHRONIC PAIN



Dr. Greg Kramer, DC is holding a Fibromyalgia/Chronic Pain

Seminar

What do you do when the medications DON'T WORK?

Dr. Greg Kramer

Wednesday, May 4 at 6:30 pm

Topic To Be Discussed: Dr. Kramer's **Non-Drug Treatment of Fibromyalgia** and Chronic Pain

7 WARNING SIGNS OF FIBROMYALGIA

- 1) Brain Fog/Fibro Fog
- 2) Short Term Memory Loss

3) Getting Lost in Conversation

4) Muscle Pain

- 5) Fatigue 6) Inability to Sleep
- 7) Frequency of Urination

This is a must attend seminar for anyone suffering from Fibromyalgia/Chronic Pain

