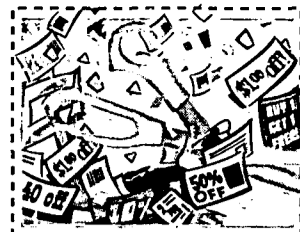


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**Appointments  
to boards**

The Westland City Council recently confirmed the reappointment of Mark Welch to the Westland Library Board for a five-year term that will expire July 15, 2017.



Welch

Welch served as vice president and treasurer on the library board from 2006-07 and has served since



Nix

being appointed in September 2011. The five-member library board oversees the library director and operations of the William P. Faust Public Library.

Council also confirmed the appointments of Tom Nix and Dennis Weese to the Westland Board of Review. Nix will fill an unexpired term through Dec. 6, 2014. Weese also will fill an unexpired term through Dec. 1, 2013.

The three-member Board of Review listens to appeals of tax assessment by residents.

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**Help at home**

Westland firefighters responded June 27 when resident Raymond Osiecki suffered a possible heart attack while mowing his lawn.

After Osiecki was transported to St. Mary's Hospital, fire Sgt. Robert Stoddard and firefighters Kevin Gilliam and Nathan Rivier returned to his home and finished mowing the lawn. They also bagged up the clippings for compost collection and secured the lawn mower in the shed.

It all goes back to customer service, Westland Assistant Fire Chief/Fire Marshal John Adams said.

"They were in their primary response area and ready to go (on an emergency run). It's out of the box thinking," Adams said. "He (Osiecki) maintains his lawn very well. We helped him out."

Osiecki survived and is back home on the mend.

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**District wants to create  
culture of customer service**

By Sue Mason  
Observer Staff Writer

The loss of 70 Walker-Winter Elementary students to a Canton charter school has Wayne-Westland school officials looking at creating "a culture of customer service."

The Wayne-Westland school board agreed with School Superintendent

Greg Baracy that the district needs to focus on serving residents better.

"Customer service is just that, it's service; are you there for the kids in the morning and are you there for the kids in the afternoon," said Baracy in recommending it as one of his goals for 2012-2013. "It's something people buy in to, that's why charter schools are beating us. It's not with education but with customer service."

Baracy made the recommendation during a goal setting workshop last Tuesday, facilitated by Scott Morrell of the Michigan Association of School Boards.

Baracy told school board members that the district already does what

charter schools do. The problem is Wayne-Westland "does a terrible job in telling people about it."

"We've got to do a better job," he said. "It's a perception and we've allowed it to be a perception in the school district. We have to be a cheerleader for the district."

He said that school officials have already done

the research and believe a problem the district had three-four years ago" is still here. In 2009, the school board voted to reorganize its elementary program, closing six elementary school and turning two middle schools into upper elementaries for fifth- and

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Westland Assistant Fire Chief John Adams talks about a fire truck with an articulated ladder that allows a bucket containing firefighters access under wires, then is able to move up over the fire.

**Westland fire moves  
administration to Wayne**

By LeAnne Rogers  
Observer Staff Writer

Just weeks after Michael Reddy became chief for the Westland and Wayne fire departments, the administrative staff has moved to the Wayne fire station.

"In the beginning, I hadn't planned to move. I knew that we would need the administration under one roof," Reddy said. "If we ever built a fire station in the TIFA (Tax Increment Financing Authority), we would build a new administra-

tive wing."

The TIFA plan includes \$5 million for a new fire station, with about half of that cost for the administrative wing. Instead, the Westland fire administrative offices have relocated from the second floor of a building on Marquette shared with the Department of Public Services and the Nankin Transit Authority to the Wayne station on South Wayne Road.

Only four years old, the north side of the building will now be called the Wayne-Westland Fire

Administration Building. Along with administrative offices, the north side also includes a large training facility.

The south side of the building houses fire and rescue operations, including the dorm, kitchen and other areas used by firefighters during their shifts. Between administration and operations, there are four bays to house fire engines and rescue vehicles.

"The transition has been good. By doing this

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**Mayor invites  
community to  
gathering at  
Corrado Park**

Westland Mayor William Wild invites Westland residents to join him at Corrado Park in the city's north end Wednesday, July 25, for his first community gathering of the year.

The free family event will be 5-8 p.m. at the park, located on the corner of Gladys and Flamingo, south of Joy.

There will be water slides, beach volleyball, kids safety activities, a putting contest, a dunk tank and other water activities.

Police and fire vehicles as well as the new Department of Public Service equipment will be on display. There also will be a demonstration of the city's new online ordinance enforcement project which streamlines the residential and commercial ordinance process.

The mayor annually holds the community gatherings around the city, using them as an opportunity to introduce residents to his staff and talk to them about what's happening in the city.

"This is a great opportunity for my administration and I to get out and talk to the residents

in an informal atmosphere and brings families together for some fun," said Wild.

Wild also will use the Wednesday evening's get-together to update guests on the scheduled improvements for Corrado Park, including the renovation of the picnic shelter which is being funded by a \$1,000 "Perk Up Your Park" prize the city received the check from CBS Radio Detroit and Michigan Schools and Government Credit Union.

The city also has been contacted by a boy scout who is interested in completing improvements to horseshoe pit as part of his Eagle Scout project.

"The city is proud to be the recipient of the 'Perk Up Your Park' funds, and I am excited to share the updates with the families that utilize this park the most," Wild said.

The community gathering is being sponsored by ITC. For more information about the get together, visit the city's website [www.cityof-westland.com](http://www.cityof-westland.com) or call the mayor's office at (734) 467-3200.

**Comments made at special meeting on TIFA plan clarified**

A story which appeared in the July 5 issue of the Westland Observer should have stated that Newberry Estates resident Bill Campbell spoke at a public hearing about a proposed Westland Tax Increment Finance Authority Plan and expressed his concern

about a husband and wife serving on the TIFA Citizens Committee.

Based on a review of a video of the special meeting, Campbell did not attempt to verbally attack committee member Mary Murphy, as originally reported. Campbell, saying

"with all due respect," had turned to Murphy to address his comments about husbands and wives serving on the committee, when City Council President James Godbout stopped him and asked him to speak to the council, not the audience. Campbell did and reiter-

ated his concern. Murphy and her husband James have been long-time members of the citizens committee.

Campbell has been opposed to the building of a new city hall on city-owned property behind the William P. Faust Public Library and adjacent

to the subdivision. That project was among three included in the TIFA plan.

Campbell also had questioned why the meeting, which attracted a small number of residents, was held during the Westland Summer Festival, making parking at Westland City Hall difficult.

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move right away, it's kicked it into full gear," said Reddy, who retired as Westland fire chief and is now a contract employee working as shared chief for the two cities.

In that new role, Reddy is working to merge the two departments and best utilize manpower, equipment and stations for service and cost savings.

"We're already seeing some smaller cost savings on a daily basis," he said.

A big benefit to merging the fire administra-

tions, Reddy said, is that it helps the departments get an extension on the federal SAFER grants, which currently fund nine firefighters in Westland and five in Wayne.

The grants expire in 2013 for Wayne, 2014 for Westland. A six-month extension combined with expected retirements would likely prevent any layoffs once the funding ends, Reddy said.

The departments have also applied for a \$1.4 million state Economic Vitality Incentive Program grant that would fund changes needed to facilitate the merger. That includes replacing air packs and nozzles

so they are consistent and new matching uniforms and vehicle markings.

"There have been no service disruptions. Residents of both communities get better service," Reddy said.

At the Westland City Council meeting, council members received T-shirts with the emblems of each fire department side-by-side with "We Are One" written over the top.

"I'm really impressed with how far they've gotten with the merger. Sharing the chief was the first cost saving measure, but we will merge the two departments," Mayor William Wild said. "The shifts are being aligned

so the same firefighters (in each department) work the same shifts for continuity."

Firefighters also are working their shifts with the other department to get familiar with each other's operations, Wild said. The firefighter unions also are working with fire administration daily to iron out issues, he added.

Right now each department has its own collective bargaining agreement, but in the future it's expected firefighters would work for a fire authority or district.

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This Wayne fire truck has an articulated ladder truck among its fleet of emergency vehicles.

**GOALS**

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sixth-grade students. Parents protested the realignment of school boundaries and who their children would attend school with, something Baracy said is "coming

back with a vengeance." He also recommended that outside assistance be brought in to help.

"My thought is that this is bigger than us, that we need outside help to deal with it the customer service aspect at every single level throughout the district," he said.

Board Secretary Cin-

dy Schofield was glad to see customer service as a goal. She pointed out that when the district did the 1998 bond issue, school offices were redesigned to make them more customer friendly. Because of that, there was an improvement for several years.

"The last few years we've gotten away from it," she said. "We're lacking in the way we sell ourselves, we've lost that feeling of being a family." Schofield also expressed support in

bringing in an outside agency to work with the district on customer service.

"An outside view might be helpful, it's hard to see what's going on when you're on the inside," she said.

Morrell, who is working with the trustees to erase their differences and make them a cohesive unit, pointed out that board and superintendent must work as a team.

"If you're going to have a culture of customer service, you have to walk the walk and talk the talk,"

said Morrell. "You and the superintendent are a team of eight. You need to work with each other, it's got to be a team effort."

He added that how the board and the eight-member team functions is reflected in the school district.

"If the board is dysfunctional, so goes the rest of the district," he said. "If they don't see you functioning as a team, no way is it going to happen in the buildings. Your kids deserve you working for them. If you

grow, your kids will benefit."

While the board will hold a second workshop with Morrell to work on becoming a team, they did agree to let Baracy begin work on improving customer service.

"I agree it's urgent and I liked to see something stated with the fall, if the board has a say about what it will look like," trustee Andrea Clawson said.

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# Canton man ordered to stand trial in game store robbery

By Sue Mason  
Observer Staff Writer

A Canton man has a date with Wayne County Circuit Court where he will be arraigned on charges related to a holdup at a Westland store.



Phillips

Lee Allen Phillips, 20, was bound over for trial after he waived his right to a preliminary examination in an appearance Thursday before Judge Mark McConnell in 18th District Court. He has been charged with armed robbery, a felony punishable by up to life in prison, and larceny from a building, a four-year felony, stemming from a robbery at the Game Play store, 35607 Warren Road on July 3.

Phillips, who is being held in the Wayne County Jail en lieu of a \$50,000 cash/surety bond, also is a suspect in robberies

at two 7-Eleven stores in Redford and Livonia earlier this month.

In the Westland robbery, an employee told police that a man dressed in black with a bandana over his lower face entered the store about 9:45 p.m. and ordered he and a customer with a small child to get on the floor. He then reportedly had the employee open the cash register drawer and get a second one in the back room.

The employee said he was armed with a handgun and took \$500 from the business and a breast cancer donation jar from the counter.

After the robbery, an 18-year-old Canton woman called police and identified the suspect as a man she knew from school, police said. She agreed to drive him around to do errands when he offered to pay her. She drove him to Walmart in Canton and Value City on Warren Road in Westland before stopping at Game Play

where the man reportedly pulled a handgun from his backpack. He went into the store and returned a few minutes later. He was carrying a jar wrapped in a scarf, she said.

She called police after she dropped the man off near the Game Stop store on Wayne Road.

Police didn't locate the suspect, but they did recover the breast cancer collection jar containing \$22, three cell phones, various pieces of identification, a plastic coin donation box and marijuana from the backpack that he had left in the car, police said.

Another witness provided police with a telephone number for an acquaintance of the suspect who helped locate him. He was arrested at Joy and Ravine in Westland on July 7 after police followed his car from a gas station at Seven Mile and Telegraph in Detroit.

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# Coalition seeks car show sponsors

By Sue Buck  
Observer Staff Writer

A local substance prevention group is looking for sponsors for a first ever classic car show.

The Garden City Community Coalition for the Prevention of Substance Abuse will be holding its first charity car show 6-9 p.m. Monday, Aug. 6 in the parking lot of Garden City High School.

This event will feature a classic car show hosted by Don Nicholson Enterprises, as well as prevention activities offered by the Michigan National Guard Counter Drug Task Force.

"Our mission for this event is to support substance abuse awareness and prevention in the community," said executive director Susan Nicholas. "This is the first time that we will be holding this event and we hope that the community will come out and show

its support for the cause and make it a yearly family summer destination."

In order to be able to make this event a success and be able to offer it to the public, the group is asking for support in the form of sponsorships and donations, from business owners and others in the community.

For a sponsorship of \$50, a business will receive its company logo on the back of the event T-shirt in addition, its logo on all coalition marketing materials for the event and recognition at the event. For a sponsorship of less than \$50, a company will receive its logo on all coalition marketing materials for the event and recognition at the event.

Donations of goods or services also are being sought for a silent auction.

This level of donation would also get the company logo on all marketing

materials for the event and recognition at the event. All donations are tax deductible.

Nicholas explained the value of the support.

"It allows us to continue to fight the war against substance abuse in our community by providing current trend information on alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, prescription drugs and synthetic drugs like K2 and Spice," she said.

The coalition is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for all who live in Garden City by promoting a lifestyle free from the abuse of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs.

For more information about the coalition, visit its website at [www.gccommunitycoalition.org](http://www.gccommunitycoalition.org) or call the office at (734) 793-1868.

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# Advice for those taking GM buyout offer

By Rick Bloom  
Guest Columnist

**Q:** Dear Rick: After attending your seminar last week, my wife and I decided that it would be best to accept the lump-sum payment from General Motors. We've already sent our paperwork in, including our IRA information, so money can be directly transferred. Our buyout amount was approximately \$400,000. I estimate that because of our other sources of income, we won't need this money for at least 10 years. Should we convert some of the money into a Roth IRA? We were told that there would be tax advantages to invest this money within municipal bonds inside the IRA; is that true? If you name beneficiaries on your IRA, does that still go through probate?

**A:** Thanks for coming to the seminar. As to your questions, I love the idea of converting money into a Roth IRA because it grows tax-free and it is not subject to the 70½ rule. My general rules to make a Roth conversion viable are the following:  
1) You must have the money to pay the tax from the conversion without touching any of the money converted.  
2) By converting the money, it won't throw you into a higher tax bracket.  
3) You can have the money invested within the Roth IRA for at least a five- to seven-year period.



Money Matters  
Rick Bloom

If you meet these criteria, I believe converting money into a Roth IRA makes sense.

Remember, you do not have to convert all the money at once; you can do a little bit each year. The key is to convert enough each year so it doesn't throw you into a higher tax bracket.

With regards to investing in municipal bonds within an IRA, it makes no sense. Municipal bonds are tax-free. That is one of the reasons they do not pay as much as a normal bond. However, within an IRA, it doesn't make a difference whether you invest in a municipal bond or not. In a traditional IRA, when money is withdrawn, it is taxed to you. Therefore, a municipal bond loses its tax-free advantage when it's invested in an IRA. Therefore, an investor would be much better served to invest within a taxable bond with an IRA. After all, with a traditional IRA, whatever comes out, no matter how it's invested, is subject to income taxes. Therefore, it makes no sense whatsoever to invest in a tax-free bond within an IRA — Roth or

traditional.

It is very simple to avoid probate for an IRA by just naming a beneficiary. That way the money will avoid probate and upon death will go directly to the person that you choose. In addition, you can name secondary beneficiaries so that if the primary individual is not living upon your death, the money will go to the secondary beneficiary.

I am a big believer in avoiding probate and keeping judges, courts and lawyers out of family affairs. One of the best ways of doing this is to name primary and secondary beneficiaries on your retirement account.

If you have not checked your beneficiaries lately, it's probably a good idea to do so. Not only should you check who you've named as beneficiaries on your retirement account, but also on life insurance policies, brokerage statements and wherever you've named a beneficiary.

Just like the world that we live in, family situations change and it may necessitate a change in your beneficiaries.

Good luck!

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# GC adds online classes to leisure program lineup

By Sue Mason  
Observer Staff Writer

Garden City Public Schools is taking its leisure program to a new level by offering online classes aimed at enriching lives and offering career exploration.

Available this fall will be web-based Plato classes like anthropology - Uncovering Human Mysteries, Detectives of the Past - personal and family finance, criminology, digital photography, forensic science, gothic literature, Real World Parenting and veterinary science.

"We're pretty excited about it," said Kip O'Leary, outgoing

director of Adult and Community Education. "Jayne Martens, a lead teacher in our high school program, had some great ideas about what we could do."

He also praises program supervisor Bertie Stamper who has handled the leisure program for four years.

"I don't think we've changed the leisure programming a long time," said O'Leary. "It's a credit to Bertie and her creative thinking."

The beauty of the Plato classes is that people can take them whenever they want. There's no need to go to a building a specific time, they're available online 24/7, O'Leary said.

The online lineup includes classes geared for senior citizens like those who live at Garden Tower, as well as people interested in taking writing and photography classes for "a fraction of what it would cost at a community college," said O'Leary. And the career classes let people find out if one is right for them without spending \$1,500-\$2,000 on classes.

Stamper plans to do a presentation at Garden Tower to introduce seniors to the online classes. O'Leary also said they're looking at putting the brochures at MichiganWorks offices to make the classes available to unemployed people in need of retraining.

The leisure program booklet will come out in August and in addition to the online classes there will be plenty of the classes like computers, Zumba, swimming, karate, crochet, knitting, quilting, trips and aerobics, which has been a part of the program for 20 years, according to Stamper.

She said Zumba "has really taken off" and the program has four different classes, including Zumba, Zumba swimming and Zumba exercises.

"We get a good turnout, especially in the winter," said Stamper. "And we've gotten a good response to Zumba from day one, especially in the water Zumba."

People signing up for the classes don't have to worry about where they live. There's no non-resident fee. For O'Leary the program needs only to cover the cost of the instructor plus a 15 percent overhead.

And Cambridge isn't waiting until the fall to offer two baby-sitting classes for youths. The "Supersitter" class for those age 11 and older and a "Beginning Cheer and Conditioning" class children ages 6-10. The dates and times are available by calling Stamper at the Cambridge Center at (734) 762-8430, ext. 306.

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## Ladywood names new president, principal

The Ladywood High School Board of Directors has appointed Karen Moore of Bloomfield Hills as school president and Tracey Mocon of Canton, a Ladywood Alumna ('93), as principal, replacing Joan Fitzgerald who is retiring.

Moore's appointment was effective June 1, Mocon's was effective July 2.

A former principal, Moore brings 30 years of corporate experience to the school from Ford Motor Company, where she gained broad business experience across the company, including corporate strategy, logistics and other disciplines.

Her work included many years of global responsibilities and travel. After an early retirement, Karen returned to Ford as a global consultant; she also led operations at a local technology company; and did logistic and supply chain consulting at the largest water company in the U.S.

"I am very happy to have this opportunity to lead the school into its renaissance of growth and looking toward



Mocon



Moore

the future," said Moore. "I am a product of the all-girl Catholic high school tradition and highly value its philosophy. Tracey and I have lots of great ideas and I am thrilled to be working alongside such an energetic and visionary principal."

Mocon has taught English at Ladywood for 14 years. She graduated from the school in 1993, where she played varsity basketball for three years. She also taught English part-time at Schoolcraft College.

"As a Ladywood alumna, I can attest to the fact that this great school provided me with a solid education and a greater love for my Catholic faith," said Mocon. "As a teacher at my alma mater for over 14 years, I see firsthand that we have a dedicated faculty and staff, supportive parents, successful alumnae,

and talented young ladies."

"I am grateful to the Board of Trustees for this opportunity to serve as the principal. I look forward to continuing the rich tradition of the Felician Sisters, providing an environment that supports the Catholic values, and keeping the tradition of academic excellence alive," she said.

Founded in 1950 by the Felician Sisters, Livonia Ladywood High School is an all-girl, Catholic college-preparatory school devoted to educating and nurturing young ladies to become strong, confident, community-oriented women. Ladywood has an enrollment of approximately 275 students in grades 9-12, a student-teacher ratio of 11:1, and an average class size between 15-20 students.

Ladywood enrolls young women from 35 communities and six counties within the Metro Detroit area and suburbs. It has been recognized as a national leader for excellence in education and by the ACT Education Division for exceeding performance scores nationally.

## Harris-Kehrer VFW sponsors Voice of Democracy contest

The deadline is months away, but the Ladies Auxiliary at the Harris-Kehrer VFW Post 3323 is putting out the call for essays for the annual Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen contests.

"All entries begin at the Post level," said Auxiliary President Jane Wright. "Since 1947, the Voice of Democracy has been the VFW's premier scholarship program. Each year, more than 50,000 high school students compete for more than \$2.3 million in scholarships and incentives."

In the VOD contest, students compete by writing and recording a broadcast script on an annual patriotic theme. The theme for this year is "Is Our Constitution Still Relevant?" An original 3-5-minute essay must be recorded on a standard cassette tape or CD in student's own voice and must be submitted to the Post by Nov. 1.


VOD is open to students in grades 9-12, who are enrolled in a public, private or parochial high school or a home study program. Students can't be age 20 or older.


Prizes and scholarships are awarded at the local, district, state and national level. Department (state) winners receive an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C., March 2-6, 2013, to tour the city, meet the nation's leaders, be honored by the VFW and its Ladies Auxiliary and receive their portion of \$152,000 in national awards, the top scholarship being \$30,000.

The Patriot's Pen theme for this year is "What I Would Tell America's Founding Fathers." It's open to student in grades 6-8, who are enrolled in a public, private or parochial high school or a home study program.

The national prizes include U.S. Savings Bonds, ranging in value from \$10,000 for first place, \$8,000 for second place and \$7,000 for third place to \$1,000 for 16th-46th places.

Information will be taken to the schools at the beginning of the school year, however, students can start working on their essays now. For more information about the programs, call Wright at (734) 334-9091.





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# Car power: Classics highlights preview of Concours d'Elegance

By Julie Brown  
Staff Writer

Lee Barthel was pleased to bring his 1932 Nash Victoria Coupe to the press day for the upcoming Concours d'Elegance.

Unlike some of the other classic car owners at the preview, Barthel hires others to restore cars.

"I do very little work myself," said Barthel, 67, owner of Barthel Contracting, road contractors, and Eagle Mechanical, a heating and cooling business.

The Nash is his oldest. Barthel owns seven classic cars in all, including a 1935 Auburn and a 1936 Pierce-Arrow which was driven coast to coast some nine years ago in a caravan.

"I like the older ones more than the newer ones," he said, noting his newer cars have been modified to look different.

Jerry Szostak of Plymouth drove his 1910 Stanley Steamer the short distance for the event. He's owned the car since February and noted it was mostly restored when he bought it, with Szostak needing to do paint touch-up and some other work.

That car is noteworthy for running on steam. Szostak owns 14 classic cars ranging from 1908 to 1966.

"I was an engineer," he said. "I like mechanical things."

His dad worked in a Pontiac dealership. Retired from his heating/cooling and electrical business, he stays home now and "play with cars," said Szostak, 64, adding a hotter day is actually better for the steam-powered car. He's been in Concours, now in its 34th year, for a number of years.

Larry Miller of Plymouth Township brought his 1957 Ford Fairlane 500 with a retractable hardtop. He owns another 1957 Ford Fairlane, a '57 Pontiac two-door hardtop, and a '57 Olds two-door hardtop. He recalled colleagues joking he was stuck in 1957.

A year ago, Miller, 67, got a 1939 Ford roadster with a rumble seat. He also owns still his first car, a 1970 Plymouth Fury 123 convertible. Miller drives a 2011 Grand Marquis daily and is a Ford Motor Co. retiree.

Cars were front and center at St. John's, as was art. Tom Hale, who's been an artist 35 years, lives in Farmington Hills. He did the poster for this year's Concours d'Elegance,



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Lee Barthel will be showing his 1932 Victoria Nash Coupe at this year's Concours d'Elegance auto show at Plymouth Township's St. John's Conference Center. The Farmington Hills resident (with a Northville mailing address) stands with his car at the show's media preview day on July 17.

which will be auctioned before the event.

Hale has done some 55 event posters, including several for the Concours d'Elegance. He studied at the Art Center College of Design in Pasadena, Calif., in transportation design, then became a designer. Hale had a 20-year career at GM, Chrysler and American Motors. "I loved what I was doing," he said. "I just didn't like corporate life too much."

For this event, his work

tends to go international.

"You don't know where it's going to go but you know it's going to go many places," said Hale, who encourages younger artists to think that way. "It's very prestigious to be asked to do the poster, particularly for this kind of event."

Paul Wegert is general manager of the Inn at St. John's. He agreed the economic impact is large.

"We've seen a lot more business because of the show," Wegert said.

Some visitors didn't know the Inn at St. John's, a former Catholic seminary, existed. Some are surprised to see ballrooms for weddings and conference rooms good for business meeting use.

"We're looking for a long-term relationship," said Wegert, who appreciates the good board of directors and car selection process. "Just changing it up each year has added a new flair."

The golf course closes Friday night and reopens

## ALL ABOUT CARS

**What:** The 34th Annual Concours d'Elegance of America

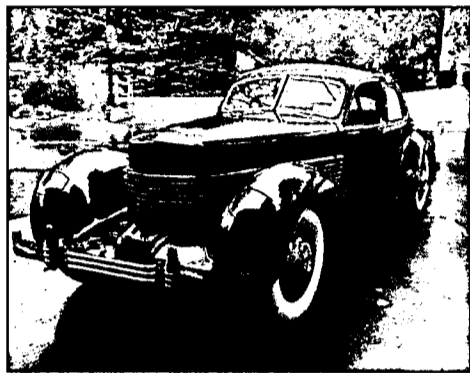
**When:** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, July 29

**Where:** Inn at St. John's, 44045 Five Mile, Plymouth

**Details:** The renowned Concours d'Elegance of America features some 300 classic, rare and magnificent automobiles from across the country, ranging from the first and most innovative automobiles to Corvette and Jaguar race cars, record breaking Slingshot Dragsters, Jet Age Station Wagons, Supercars,

Classic Trans Am Racers as well as breathtaking Duesenbergs and Delahayes, the biggest Pierce Arrow ever built, Cord Cousins, a Terraplane and a Topolov, a no wheel hovercraft style propelled vehicle. General-admission is \$25 and includes free parking, shuttle and program book. Mode du Concours matching vintage fashions with cars are part of the presentation at the judges stand.

**Contact:** For information, call (248) 645-8645 or go online to [www.concoursusa.org](http://www.concoursusa.org).



Howard E. Payne of Northville will show his 1937 Cord 812 Beverly at the Concours d'Elegance at the Inn at St. John's.

that Monday for the event, Wegert said, and it's quickly set up and taken down.

"There was little tweaks here and there," he said.

Keith Crain, president of Crain Communications and an event board member, said "thank you" for

the Center for Creative Studies support. He's also a board member there.

"It is an exciting time for all of us who love cars," Crain said. "It is an exciting time for all of us."

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There will be free food, bounce houses, Westland fire truck, face painting, games, silent auction and more. For more information, call (734) 536-1210.

## Shredding Day

The Westland Friendship Center, located at 1119 N. Newburgh, will have an industrial shredder on site 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, July 27, for residents to have their documents shredded and disposed of safely.

Drive up with your bags or boxes of documents, three bag or box maximum, and watch them be shredded. The service is free of charge.

For more information, call (734) 722-7628. The Friendship Center is at 1119 Newburgh, south of Ford Road, Westland.

## Bible school

The Cherry Hill Seventh Day Adventist Church is holding a "one of a Kind Zoo" vacation Bible school 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, July 23-27, at the church at 33144 Cherry Hill, west of Venoy.

The program is for youngsters ages 3-13. There will be Bible stories, featuring a donkey, lion, whale and snake, with a special Friday evening lesson about a sheep and a very special shepherd, Jesus. Each night will be devoted to one of the animals and the habitat in which they live while learning how God sometimes uses animals to teach.

There also will be games, crafts and snacks. To register, call Alice Merrifield at (734) 427-3982 or email Juanita

Malaski at Nita07rea@yahoo.com.

## Sidewalk sale

The Wayne Chamber of Commerce will sponsor its 54th annual Sidewalk Sale Thursday-Saturday, July 26-28 in downtown Wayne during local business hours.

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## Open House

Westland Free Methodist Preschool is holding an open house 6:30-8 p.m. Monday, July 23, at the preschool, 1421 S. Venoy, between Palmer and Cherry Hill, Westland.

The preschool offers classes for three- and four-year-olds, and parents can save \$25 off the enrollment fee at the open house.

For more information, call (734) 728-3559 or visit preschool.livesarechanging.com.

## Mom to Mom sale

Willow Creek Cooperative Preschool is holding a Mom 2 Mom sale and an open house 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 28.

Willow Creek Preschool is located at 36660 Cherry Hill, Westland. The preschool is enrolling for their Tot to Toddler class, 3-year class and 4-year class for the 2012-2013 school year. For more information, call (734) 326-0078 or visit www.willowcreekpreschool.com.



Among the many things Westland postal carrier Deborah Canfield love were dogs, especially those on her route in the Newburgh-Ford Road area.

## Postal carrier remembered as 'caring person'

By Sue Mason  
Observer Staff Writer

Linda LaBerge remembers her friend and co-worker Deborah D. Canfield as a "very caring person." As a postal carrier, she was "very good to her customers."

Last Tuesday, the parking lot of the St. Collette Catholic Church in Livonia was filled with postal vehicles as friends and co-workers gathered to say good-bye to the Livonia resident who lost her two-year battle with lung cancer on July 12. She was 56. "She had the same route for 20 years," said LaBerge. "She delivered in the Newburgh-Ford Road area, everyone on her route knew her."

Mrs. Canfield had worked at the Westland Post Office for 30 years, and had just retired on

June 20. According to LaBerge, she had worked at the post office up until the last three months before her death.

"Even through the chemotherapy and radiation, she never missed worked, she was such a faithful employee," she said. "I took over a part of her route and the people at city hall, the police department and the court house every day would question me about how she was doing. She was given two months to live when she was first diagnosed and she lived two years."

"She was the nicest person you'd ever want to meet," said LaBerge.

In a memorial, Cathy Smith said she "will miss our sweet mail carrier who always came in with a smile no matter what was going on in her life."

"Debbie was one of the bravest and most positive ladies I have ever met. Heaven has truly gained another angel," said Smith who works for Dr. Daniel Johnson, one of Mrs. Canfield's customers.

Mrs. Canfield was born in Long Beach, Calif., and graduated from Pacifica High School in Garden Grove in 1974. She served in the U.S. Army, and following her release, moved to Michigan where she started her 30-year postal career. She met Michael, her husband of 16 years and also a postal carrier, while working at the Westland Post Office.

She loved dogs, especially those on her route, family trips or any event involving her family. She also loved fishing and was a master angler.

In addition to her husband Michael, she is sur-

vived by a daughter Margaret and son David (Jennifer) Canfield, grandson Aden, parents Larry (Hortencia) Cook and Margaret Arnold, brothers Lawrence Cook and James (Louana) Cook, sister Linda Guadarrama and her dear friend Robert Kliemann. She is preceded in death by the late Robert Cook.

Services were arranged by Harry J. Will Funeral Home in Livonia. A funeral Mass with Army military honors was celebrated at St. Colette Catholic Church. Burial was at the Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly.

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# Dystopian literature: speculative fiction

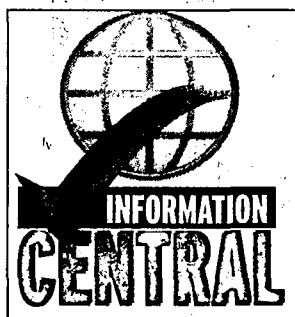
This year marks the 80th anniversary of *Brave New World* by Aldous Huxley (originally published in 1932). *Brave New World* is an example of dystopian literature.

Dystopian literature is a type of speculative fiction, which is part of the science fiction genre. In many dystopian worlds, the system of government was set in place with the idea that it would make the society utopian, however the actual conditions under the regime make it exactly the opposite.

Authors who write about dystopian societies may focus on ideas from present-day society that the author sees as potentially dangerous or problematic, if exaggerated, and the novels are meant to comment on current society while encouraging the reader to consider it with a critical eye.

Although dystopian literature has been gaining popularity in recent years, particularly in young adult books, the genre has been around for quite a while. Books like *The Time Machine* by H. G. Wells were written in the late 1800s. The emergence of anti-capitalist ideas added to the increased prevalence of dystopian ideas in literature.

Many works of dystopian literature have similar elements, regardless of when they were written. The story usually takes place in a post-apocalyptic world with the plot often revolving around a protagonist who feels there is something terribly wrong with society and decides to fight it. The government is usually repressive, or



is a police state in which a select few individuals rule over the majority. In some instances technology that has advanced beyond human control.

Here are some popular works of dystopian fiction that you can find at the library:

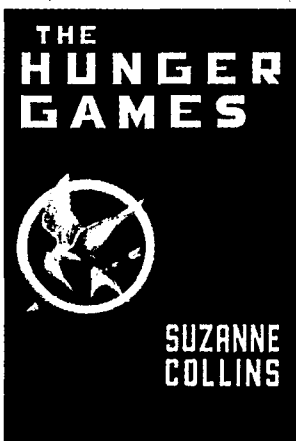
- 1984 by George Orwell
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### Highlighted Activities

Science Fiction/Fan-



**Book Club: 7 p.m. July 25**

Join us for a discussion of Greg Bear's *Darwin's Radio*. Ancient diseases encoded in the DNA of humans wait like sleeping dragons to wake and infect again, or so molecular biologist Kaye Lang believes. And now it looks as if her controversial theory is in fact chilling reality. Christopher Dicken, a "virus hunter" at the Epidemic Intelligence Service, has pursued an elusive flu-like disease that strikes down expectant mothers and their offspring. Then a major discovery high in the Alps - the preserved bodies of a prehistoric family - reveals a shocking link: something that has slept in our genes for millions of years is waking up. Copies will be available at the Reference Desk.

**Marathon Family Game Night: 7 p.m. July 26**

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*The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*, journalist Rebecca Skloot unearths the story of a woman who is indirectly responsible for some of modern medicine's most stunning achievements. Henrietta Lacks was an impoverished tobacco farmer who died in the mid-20th century, but her cells, which were harvested without her knowledge or consent, became an integral part of many 20th century medical breakthroughs. Henrietta's cells were reproduced thousands and thousands of times and used in medical research. Although her cells helped find cures for diseases and generated fortunes, Henrietta's own family never profited from her contribution. This volume explores Henrietta's contributions to medical science and the tragic price she and her family have had to pay. Copies will be available at the Reference Desk.

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# Arctic Edge does Open Door fundraiser

By Darrell Clem  
Observer Staff Writer

When she was unemployed and struggling to pay her mortgage and other bills, Canton resident Brook Boggs almost had to turn to Open Door Ministry, a local food pantry, for help.

Now she is using her part-time job as marketing and event specialist for Arctic Arenas, with facilities in Canton and Plymouth, as a springboard to help Open Door, which distributes food to 460 metro Detroit families every week from a warehouse on Lilley south of Michigan Avenue.

"It does pull at my heartstrings," Boggs said, "because I know there are so many families in the area that are still hurting and out of work."

To help Open Door Ministry, she and a team of employees from Canton's Arctic Edge Ice Arena are spearheading Family Fun Fest, a free-admission event 1-4 p.m. Saturday, July 28, at the arena,

46615 Michigan Ave.

"I think it's fantastic," Open Door Ministry Director Steve Darr said. "We've seen such an outpouring of support from the community."

Open Door already has raised \$60,600 toward its \$290,000 goal — money it needs to pay for the 48,600-square-foot warehouse it has leased since 2003. The building's owner had put the property up for sale, but offered the ministry a good deal, amid estimates by bank representatives that it could cost \$1.6 million to find a suitable facility elsewhere.

Open Door leaders have closed the deal to buy the warehouse and remain confident they can generate the income they need to pay it off.

Boggs, with a history of fundraising and event planning, has announced an Arctic Edge team effort — the Family Fun Fest — to help Open Door, one of the arena's neighbors along the Michigan Avenue corridor.

Boggs said many fam-



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Brook Boggs of Arctic Edge has organized a fundraiser to benefit Open Door Ministry.

ilies and residents continue to struggle. Even with a master's degree in administration with an emphasis in marketing, she has struggled to survive tough economic times.

Family Fun Fest, a

three-hour event, has a two-pronged approach by rolling out numerous family-oriented activities while raising money through a sports-related silent auction and by raffling off prizes.

Moreover, Arctic

Edge's new mascot, Artie Edge, plans to skate with youngsters who can play on the ice for free.

"He will be available for photos and skating," Boggs said.

Activities include music by DJ Roman,

face-painting, children's games on the ice and renowned balloon sculptor Tim Thurmond, who is expected to bring a six-foot tall penguin made of twisted balloons, Boggs said.

Organizers plan to raise money with the silent auction of sports memorabilia and by selling raffle tickets for prizes such as a Summit on the Park birthday party package; a gift certificate for Practice Makes Perfect, where figure skating costumes are custom-made; an academic evaluation by Huntington Learning Center; a birthday party for 10 at Arctic Edge; sports equipment gift baskets; \$50 gift cards to Holiday Market, Meijer, Palermo Pizza, Canton Cinemas and Antonio's Cucina Italiana; and a one-night stay in a jacuzzi suite at Canton's Holiday Inn Express, among numerous other gifts.

For more information, call Arctic Edge Ice Arena at (734) 487-7777.

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## GARDEN CLIPPINGS

### Meet the Candidates

Garden City residents can hear from the candidates in the Aug. 7 primary election through GCTV's Meet the Candidates program.

The program features Republican and Democratic candidates for the 13th District U.S. Congressional seat, the 11th District State House seat and the Wayne County Sheriff's office. Each candidate was invited to present their platform

during a five-minute presentation.

The program can be seen at 10 a.m. and 2, 7 and 11 p.m. today (July 22) and Friday-Sunday, July 27-Aug. 5. GCTV is channel 12 on Comcast, channel 18 on WOW and channel 99 on U-verse. The program can also be seen streaming live and on-demand through their city's website at [www.gardencitymi.org/gctv](http://www.gardencitymi.org/gctv).

**Coffee Hours**  
State Sen. Glenn

Anderson, D-Westland, will not be hosting his monthly coffee hours in the month of July in Garden City and Livonia. Constituents who would like to address an issue with the senator can contact him by mail at P.O. Box 30036, Lansing, MI 48909, by phone at (866) 262-7306 or by email at [SenatorAnderson@senate.michigan.gov](mailto:SenatorAnderson@senate.michigan.gov).

### Farmers Market

Come out and support the new Farmers Market 9 a.m. to

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Interested vendors can call (775) 303-1169 or (734) 422-4448 or send and email to [gcfmm@gmail.com](mailto:gcfmm@gmail.com).

### Fall Kick-Off

Save the date: Saturday, Aug. 25. That's when Gar-

den City High School will host a Community Fall Kick-off, showcasing its activities, clubs and sports in a spirited fun family atmosphere. Aspiring athletes will have a chance to meet the high school athletic teams and coaches and find out about the Student Council, Key Club, National Honor Society, DECA, PTSA, band and JROTC.

The kick-off will be held 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the high school parking lot at 6400 Middlebelt,

north of Ford Road.

### Outdoor Flea Market

An outdoor flea market will be held the second and third Saturday of the month now through September in the field across Elmwood Street side of the Garden City Historical Museum on Merriman Road. Reserve a spot by calling Diane, the manager of the Garden City Craftique Mall, at (734) 765-7999.



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# Paul's Players presents 'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat'

What happens when seven jealous brothers hatch a nefarious plot to dispose of younger brother Joseph, their father's favorite son? Although the plot of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* may seem more like a 21st century reality show than something based on a Bible story, this rollicking musical by Andrew Lloyd Weber and Tim Rice is pure family entertainment. A multi-generational cast from Paul's Players will produce this popular show at 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, July 26-28, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile Road, Livonia. Tickets are \$10 for adults, and \$6 for seniors and students.

Pat Hutchison, producer and founder of Paul's Players, is quite familiar with the musical version of Joseph's story. This is her third production of the show, and among its cast and support staff are members from all of her other productions, some in different roles, but some reprising roles they played in the past.

Pat LaMarr returns as The King, a role he played as a high school senior in the production Hutchison directed at Churchill High School in 2003, while Becky Roberts, who was the narrator in that show, is choreographing this year's version. Brian Haverkate, who was Joseph in the 1996 production at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, returns as musical director for the cast members.

"This group really embodies the spirit of community theater," Hutchison says, "with friends and family of all ages coming together to share in the experience of putting a show together."

The story of Joseph is definitely a family dra-



The cast members range in age from 5 to 50, and are residents of Livonia, North and South Redford, Walled Lake, Wixom, Westland and Brighton.

ma, and life mirrors art in this year's casting which is also a family affair. Aaron York, who plays Joseph, is a 2010 graduate of Franklin High School in Livonia, and will share the stage with his younger sister Mary, who is one of the "wives." Rachel Kain, the narrator, is a writer, IT specialist, and the mother of two sons, Ethan and Austin, who are also in the production. Leigh Emmett directs the children's choir, which includes her two daughters, Kana and Claire. The cast members range in age from 5 to 50, and are residents of Livonia, North and South Redford, Walled Lake, Wixom, Westland and Brighton.

Tickets for the show

may be reserved by calling (248) 347-4134, or e-mailing paulsplayers@gmail.com.

Paul's Players is a community theater group housed in St. Paul's Presbyterian Church. The group was founded in

2011 by Hutchison, a retired Livonia Public School music and drama teacher. Its mission is to provide opportunities for people of all ages to participate in drama and musical theater. Their fall production, *The Man Who*

*Came to Dinner*, is scheduled for November 2012.

For more information about Paul's Players, or *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, contact Hutchison at (248) 347-4134 or paulsplayers@gmail.com.

## MILITARY NEWS

**Commissioned**  
Pamela and Harry Crayne and Harry Crayne have announced the commissioning of their son, Ryan P. Crayne, as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army on May 4.

Crayne also graduated magna cum laude from the University of Toledo with a bachelor of science degree in construction engineering.

He began his Army career as an officer assigned to the 82 Airborne, Ft. Benning, Ga., on June 8.

Crayne is a 2008 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School. He also attended Adams Middle School and an Elliott Elementary School.

## Promotion

Family and friends have sent congratulations to recently promoted Lance Corporal Justin A. Dean.

A 2010 graduate of Livonia Franklin High School, Dean is the son Darrel and Mary Shepherd of St. Clair Shores and the grandson of Ronald and Grace Dean of Westland.

He'll be stationed in Okinawa, Japan, in August.



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# They're really swingin' this summer in Farmington

By Susan Steinmueller  
Observer Staff Writer

Swinginfusion dancers had a swinging time in downtown Farmington despite the heat wave.

"We didn't have as many as we normally do, due to the weather, but we still had a good number of people," said DJ Alexander Steward, 22, of Livonia.

Swinginfusion, a dance event for young adults, is held 8:30-11 p.m. Thursdays at the Sundquist Pavilion, 33215 Grand River Ave., just east of Farmington Road. From November to April, it's held at St. John Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills.

The dances are free; a \$1 donation is requested.

Steward said the events average 100 participants weekly, from Farmington and surrounding cities. It's a fun event where young adults can kick up their heels and meet others their age.

"Our age range is from 15-30," he said.

Scott Kardel, 17, of Canton, tries to be there every week.

"Last Thursday it was pretty hot, but it was worth it," said Kardel, a



Dancers at Swinginfusion last Thursday didn't let the heat wave get in the way of a good time on the dance floor.

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home school student.

Kardel said he didn't know how to swing dance when he first attended, but soon got in the "swing" of things.

"There isn't an official lesson, but everyone is really nice and willing to teach you," he said. "It's not too hard and it's a

blast. I'd recommend it to anyone."

Oakland Community College student Sam Johnson, of South Lyon, founded the group in Farmington in 2007, calling it Gen Y Swing.

According to the Swinginfusion website, "It was created to be a

place for young adults that were looking for a place to escape a couple hours each week and provide a safe environment in which to learn, dance and interact."

The group's success led to growth, with groups across southeast Michigan and one opening up in Tucson, Ariz.

The organization hosts yearly dances to bring many of the groups together, while allowing the individual groups to

create their own identity.

Swinginfusion is now seeking a nonprofit status to better conduct its activities.

Steward, a student at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, has been in a leadership role with the Farmington group for 2½ years. He attributes the popularity of the group to several factors.

"I think it's just the fact that we have created a safe, clean environment for young adults to come to and meet people, and also dance and listen to great tunes," he said.

He said there's also "a great sense of community."

The dances include a DJ and a variety of music.

"We play everything, from the 1920s to modern top 40 songs," Steward said, "as long as they

have a good swing dance beat."

Steward said that in Farmington, dancers enjoy going to nearby eateries such as Starbucks and Coldstone Creamery.

"That's a good thing for all because we want to contribute to the city as well," he said. "The city has been great to us."

Last year, Swinginfusion hosted an event with live music by the band Rampage Swing. Swinginfusion will do so again this year Aug. 16, Steward said. A \$5 donation will cover the costs.

A beginners lesson is at 8 p.m. An open dance is 8:30-11:20 p.m. It will be a community event for all ages, he said. For more information, go to swinginfusion.com

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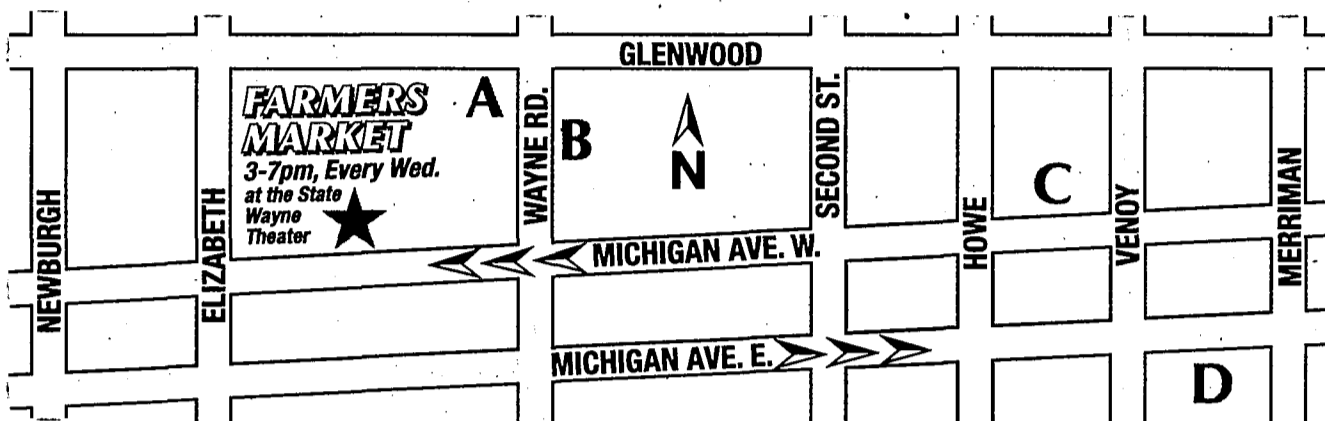
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# 6 file for special election

By Ken Abramczyk  
Staff Writer

Five Republicans, including a former school board member in Livonia, and one Democrat have filed to run in a special election Sept. 5 to fill the unexpired term of former U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter.



McCotter

Former state Sen. Nancy Cassis, former Livonia school board member Steve King, Carolyn Kavanagh of Livonia and Kenneth Crider of Livonia filed Friday to run on the Republican ballot in the 11th Congressional District.

Republican Kerry Bentivolio of Milford also filed petitions with 1,075 signatures July 16. Totals included Cassis, 2,000 signatures; Crider, 1,100; King, 1,200; and Kavanagh, 1,276.

On Thursday, Democrat David Curson of

Belleville filed petitions with 2,000 signatures.

Democratic and Republican candidates had until 4 p.m. Friday to file. The signatures will be reviewed by the Secretary of State's office to ensure the paperwork is filled out properly and all petitions are originals, according to Gisgine Gendreau, spokeswoman for the Secretary of State's office.

## List will be certified

"We will do that before the state Board of Canvassers meets on Monday," Gendreau said. That board meets at 2 p.m. to certify the list of candidates.

The candidates have until 4 p.m. Monday to withdraw. Candidates without party affiliation have until Aug. 7 to file. Minor parties that hold a caucus to nominate candidates face a deadline of Aug. 8.

Residents in the current 11th District will be voting in a special election Wednesday, Sept. 5, and again Nov. 6 to fill

the unexpired term. All of Livonia is included in both the former 11th District and the redistricted 11th District.

State election officials estimate the cost of the special election to local communities will be \$650,000. Livonia's cost is estimated at \$50,000. Redford's cost is expected to be \$30,000.

McCotter resigned July 6, ending his term six months early after what he called a "nightmarish month and a half" in apparent reference to his duplicated signatures on petitions turned into the Secretary of State that resulted in an investigation by state Attorney General Bill Schuette. The duplicate signatures were invalidated, so he fell short of the minimum signatures required to run.

On July 13, Lt. Gov. Brian Calley, acting in Gov. Rick Snyder's absence, called for a special election in the 11th Congressional District to fill the vacancy created by McCotter's resignation.

In the Aug. 7 primary election, voters in the redrawn 11th District will decide between a Republican candidate listed on the ballot (Bentivolio), two write-in Republican candidates (Cassis and Drexel Morton of Canton) and two Democrats (Dr. Syed Taj of Canton and Bill Roberts of Redford). The top finishers from each party will square off in the general election Nov. 6. The election winner will begin a two-year term Jan. 3.

Cassis released a statement Friday after she filed her petitions for the special election.

"I deeply regret the cost, confusion and extra burden on the local clerks which will occur due to the special election the governor has called," Cassis said. "But we cannot allow this seat to be represented by a Democrat who supports Obamacare, or a Republican who believes President Bush and Vice President Cheney were responsible for the 9/11

terrorist attack on America."

The Democrat she referenced is Taj, who believes that the Affordable Health Care Act "does not go far enough," and the Republican is Bentivolio, who appeared in *The President Goes to Heaven*, a film released last year that pokes fun at a fictional character based on former President George W. Bush.

Bentivolio said in a recent interview that he appeared in the film to investigate the state's film subsidies and "do a little acting."

King said Friday he decided to run because he wants to serve. "If I am lucky enough, I will serve those 45 days and I will work harder than anybody in those 45 days," he said.

King said he would work in the district to help constituents. "I want to bring the service back to public service," he said.

King was in the process of collecting signatures to run a write-in cam-

aign for the two-year term that begins Jan. 3, but decided to end that campaign when he fell short of the 3,000 signatures he needed.

Instead, King collected 1,200 signatures to declare his candidacy in the special election.

King is running as a Republican because he said the district is a Republican district. "No one could win as a Democrat," he said. King, who has run as a Democrat in a previous race for state representative, describes himself as a "Bill Milliken moderate who was willing to work with people."

The *Observer* was unable to reach Crider on Friday as a phone number listed for him was disconnected. A message was left for Curson on Friday for comment.

Kavanagh, daughter of 16th District Judge Sean Kavanagh, could not be reached late Friday afternoon.

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## Police: Driver inhaled computer screen cleaner before rollover crash

By Ken Abramczyk  
Staff Writer

Two teenagers remained hospitalized Friday after their convertible struck another vehicle, then rolled over at Plymouth and Middlebelt.

Police believe the 19-year-old driver of the convertible inhaled Dust Off, a computer clean-

er spray, just prior to the impact, according to Sgt. John Gibbs.

The driver of the convertible, a 1996 Chrysler Sebring, drove southbound on Middlebelt at 4:30 a.m. with a 16-year-old passenger. The driver, who lives in Canton, apparently used the inhalant just prior to approaching Plymouth Road or at the point of

impact, Gibbs said.

"The vehicle was approaching 90 miles per hour, hit the right curb, bounced off that, ran the red light, then rear-ended a Ford Taurus just south of Plymouth Road," Gibbs said. The Sebring began to roll up the back of the Taurus, then rolled over, Gibbs said.

Gibbs estimated the Taurus was traveling

at about 30 mph, but because the Sebring was traveling at such a high rate of speed, it was as if the Taurus were stopped.

"Both vehicles were totaled," Gibbs said.

The two occupants from Detroit in the Taurus were treated and released from the hospital, Gibbs said. The two occupants in the Sebring remained hospitalized Friday afternoon.

Police continued an investigation into the crash and may seek crimi-

nal charges once the investigation is completed.

Gibbs said it reminded him of a similar crash on I-96 about 10 years ago, when a girl inhaled a computer spray cleaner, then crashed her car into a pole. All four occupants were thrown from the vehicle; one of them died, Gibbs said.

Gibbs warned of the dangers of inhalants, such as computer screen spray cleaners.

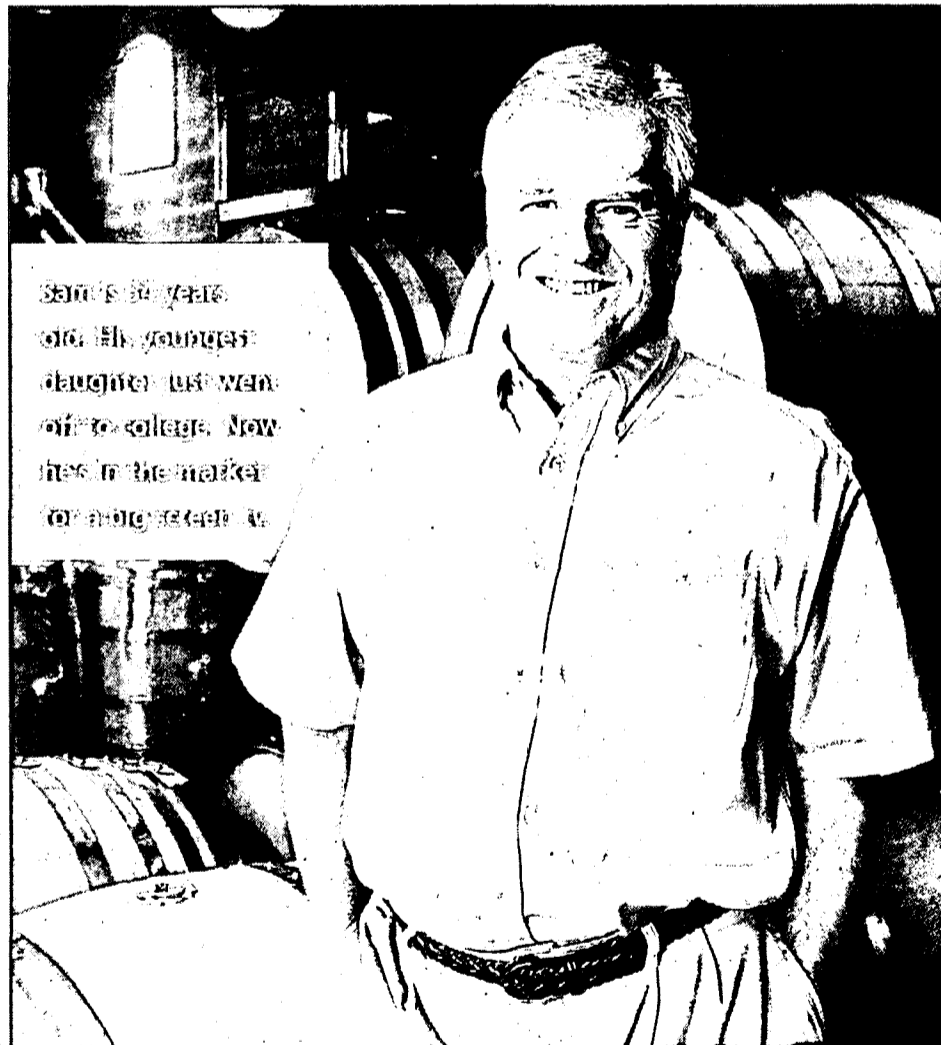
"Parents should watch their children and wheth-

er they are keeping cans of this stuff in their cars, how much they use or whether they have more than one can of it," Gibbs said. "I don't know if they are always that concerned about keeping their keyboards clean. They should just pay attention to how this cleaner is being used."

"If they have more than one can, it's probably a red flag."

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Eric Bartlett of Plymouth muscles up while training for the world CrossFit games.

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Snatch-lifts are part of Eric Bartlett's routine workout.

# Plymouth man 3rd at world CrossFit Games

By Brad Kadrich  
Observer Staff Writer

Going into last week-end's Cross Fit Games in California, Eric Bartlett thought he was in the best shape of his life.

Turns out, he's probably right.

Bartlett, a Plymouth resident who trains at the Cross Fit in Plymouth, finished fourth overall in the "masters" competition for competitors ages 45-49. He missed out on the \$5,000 grand prize, but was happy with his performance anyway.

"My original goal was to make the top 12," Bartlett said. "It was pretty un-

believable. I would have been happy to finish top 12. It's still kind of hard to believe it happened."

Bartlett said he was one of 70,000 competitors worldwide trying to get to California for the Cross Fit Games. Each contestant posted the results of one workout per week on-line, and the top 20 are invited to the Games. Bartlett, 45, competed in the "masters" bracket.

### Fit fest

Sponsored by Reebok and CrossFit, it's a competition to crown the "fittest people on earth."

Bartlett was third going into the final day,

and finished third in the last qualifying competition before the final. He earned the bronze medal overall.

His trainer, CrossFit of Plymouth owner C.J. Gustitus, couldn't have been surprised. Before Bartlett left for California Gustitus said CrossFit, a training program used by many police academies and tactical operations teams, had helped develop Bartlett physically.

"(Bartlett) has definitely gotten a lot stronger," Gustitus said. "He's always had a crazy gas tank in terms of endurance. His whole capacity

has gone up a ton."

Bartlett's advancement through CrossFit has been marked. He said he was working out in his garage until discovering CrossFit four or five years ago. His typical workout consists of something he calls "burpees," along with "snatch lifts" (Olympic-style weightlifting), push presses and toes-to-bar exercises.

### Family atmosphere

"It looked fun and challenging," Barlett said of CrossFit. "I found out there was a gym (in Plymouth), so I came in. It's competitive, and there's good camaraderie.

The community of people here is like family. It's our friends, it's who we hang out with."

Gustitus, who worked at another gym for more than three years before opening Plymouth's CrossFit 15 months ago, said the gym has some 130 members.

He said "everything we do" transfers into the "real world," because CrossFit workouts are all about building confidence and self-esteem.

"CrossFit is good because you push yourself to limits you didn't know you had," Gustitus said. "When you sacrifice that much with someone,

you build relationships. It translates to life because you build confidence. It's pretty cool to watch that happen. It's something I love to do. I have a passion for it. I like helping people reach their (fitness) goals."

Back from California, Bartlett said he'll keep up the workouts.

"Physically I'm in the best shape of my life," he said. "(Cross Fit) has helped with my self-confidence and my self-esteem. I can still keep up with the young guys here, so that's fun."

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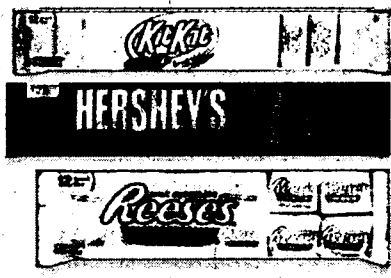
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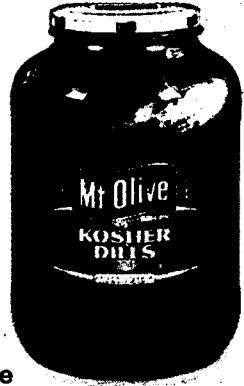
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# SPORTS

LIVONIA CHURCHILL

## Grodzicki new soccer coach

By Brad Emons  
Observer Staff Writer

It's been a whirlwind summer for hiring new coaches for Livonia Churchill athletic director Marc Hage.

The latest move came Wednesday when 38-year-old Matt Grodzicki was named to replace Reid Friedrichs, who resigned last month to take the varsity boys soccer position at Warren DeLaSalle.

In his 12 seasons as the Churchill boys coach, Friedrichs went 151-85-29 including one Kensington Lakes Activities Association, two Kensington Conference, four division and two Division 1 district titles.

Ironically, Friedrichs was hired last month to coach the Churchill girls varsity soccer team replacing Dave Hebestreit, who resigned in early June. Hage also tabbed Plymouth assistant Jason Reynolds recently to be the new varsity hockey coach after Pete Mazzoni was named the new assistant principal at Livonia Stevenson.

Grodzicki, who has taught physical education and health at Churchill for 14 years, spent all 12 seasons serving as both an assistant and JV coach under Friedrichs.

He also coached the Churchill JV girls for eight years before moving last spring to his alma mater Livonia Stevenson to serve as JV coach under his brother Chris Grodzicki.

"Matt has been a dedicated varsity coach for us for over 10 years and is ready to assume the responsibilities of a head varsity coach," Hage said. "During our interview, I liked some of his ideas, energy and also his direc-

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The crew of the Limerick receives its victory flag at a post-race ceremony on Mackinac Island. The crew members are (front row, from left) Mary Elizabeth Sullivan, Kerri Pearce, McKenzie Pearce, (back row, from left) Kevin Pearce, Darrell Cope, Dan Holley, Mark Yuhn, Steve Van Hoof and Brian Sullivan.

## Close call at Mackinac

### Plymouth skipper guides boat to narrow victory

By Dan O'Meara  
Observer Staff Writer

Darrell Cope's 33rd Port Huron-to-Mackinac Island Race was one of the most memorable and special in his lengthy sailing career.

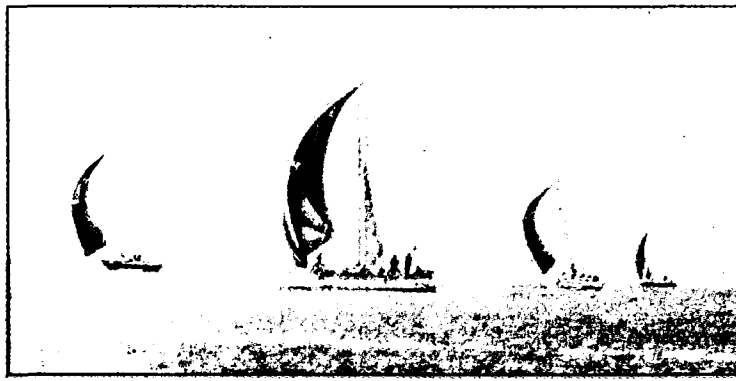
For starters, the Plymouth resident and co-owner of the *Limerick* with Kevin Pearce of Grosse Pointe, was a winner in the Cruising B Class.

Cope, 49, will long remember this year's race for that reason and the fact the margin of victory was so unbelievably close.

Competing in the Shore Course Division III, the *Limerick* reached Mackinac island just past 3 p.m. Monday after nearly 51 hours on Lake Huron.

The boat was first in its class to finish and tops in elapsed time (50:59:32). However, when corrected time was factored in the handicapping system, Cope and his crew won by just 19 seconds over Jeff Henderson of Clarkston and his boat *Pirate*.

"Initially, we made up a lot of time and thought we had pulled far enough ahead that we had a nice margin of victo-



The Limerick (second from left) sets sail on Lake Huron at the start of the annual Port Huron to Mackinac Race.

ry," Cope said. "We knew we had to finish about an hour and a half ahead (based on corrected time)."

"We were a good hour ahead coming into the island. We were really pumped up; things were looking good — and the wind died. It became a giant parking lot near the finish line."

"When the wind came up, it came in from behind, so all the boats behind us got the wind and started catching up. You could see them coming, and we were still sitting there, going very slow, about a knot and a half."

During those anxious moments, Cope and his crew prayed for the wind to catch their boat, too, and push it across the finish line, he added.

"The *Pirate* and (third-place boat) *Momentum* were still behind us, but we couldn't tell how much time and distance they had made up," Cope said. "We didn't know if we had first place or not."

The *Limerick* did get to the finish line first, but that didn't resolve the issue. Cope and his

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## Smith named grid assistant

Gannon University (Pa.) head football coach Brad Rzyczycki recently announced that Jerry Smith (Westland John Glenn) has been named to the 2012 staff.

Smith, who will coach wide receivers, was four-year letterwinner for the Golden Knights (2008-11) where he was a three-year starter at wide receiver while competing in 41 career games.

The former wide-out finished his career with 51 receptions, 624 yards, 12.2 yards per reception and four touchdowns.

Smith's senior campaign was arguably his best. He was the team's third-leading receiver, hauling in 22 passes for 257 yards and two scores.

Smith set career-highs in receptions (6), yards (127) and touchdowns (2) last season at Clarion (Pa.).

Smith graduated from Gannon in 2011 with a bachelor's degree in Business and will continue his studies pursuing his Masters.

## Rams win big

The Michigan Rams defeated the Adrian Outlaws 9-0 on Wednesday at Ford Field in Livonia in a Livonia Men's Collegiate Baseball League contest.

Triggering the rout for the Rams (16-15-1) were Garrett Gordon and Brandon Katta, each going 2-for-3 with a run scored. Katta also drove in two while Gordon collected one RBI.

Zach Zott singled in two runs and scored a run while J.P. Maracani also tallied two RBIs.

Going the distance for the shutout victory was Jeff Sorenson, who only faced 24 batters. He gave up just two hits and struck out 11 while not walking a batter.

The Outlaws (5-26-1) received one hit each from PT Gunn and Kyle Johnson.

## Scout carves out winning niche with Pinewood Derby



JOHN KEMSKI

Some of Tom Cousino's Pinewood Derby entries are patterned after Perry the Platypus, Landspeeder, Super Mario and a Wii remote control.

By Tim Smith  
Observer Staff Writer

Plymouth Township's Tom Cousino dubbed his championship Pinewood Derby car "Red Phoenix" — an appropriate choice because it rose to prominence from a small block of wood.

The 11-year-old's sleek, aerodynamic red racer with gold stripes did more than blow past the competition June 2 at the Boy Scouts of America's Great Lakes Council Race, held at the Automotive Hall of Fame in Dearborn.

It was selected for a year-long exhibit at the Hall of Fame, located next to the Henry Ford Museum.

Several weeks later, the achievement is starting to soak in, although the youngster isn't one to gloat.

"It's fun to be in Pinewood Derby," said Tom, during a recent interview at the Plymouth Cultural Center. "I mean, when you come up with cool designs everyone's going to say 'Nice design.'"

Tom's Hall of Fame-worthy victory followed top prizes won in his age group at the Isbister Cub Scout Pack 1540 and Sunset District races, respectively held in March and April at Redford Thurston. More than 27,000 scouts in Oakland, Wayne and Macomb counties are

represented by the Great Lakes Council.

### Fast and sleek

This year's Pinewood Derby competition was the fifth in a row for Tom, who in past years entered cars featuring a wide array of designs: those included a "Wiimote" (Wii remote control), Super Mario, Landspeeder from Star Wars and Perry the Platypus (from the Phineas and Ferb animated TV series).

Tom said each year's entry started with a five-ounce block of wood (the standard size in the Pinewood Derby kit as provided by the

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## Wilson signs with Caps

Tom Wilson of the Plymouth Whalers signed a three-year, entry-level contract last week with the NHL's Washington Capitals.

The 18-year-old Wilson, a forward who tallied 27 points and 141 penalty minutes in 49 games for the Whalers in 2011-12, inked a contract worth \$832,500 per year at the NHL level and \$70,000 annually if he plays in the AHL.

Wilson was selected 16th overall in last month's NHL draft. He is expected to play the coming season with the Whalers.



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# Golfers' best friends

## Caddying at Western is a rewarding gig for area teens

By Ed Wright  
Observer Staff Writer

There have been several weekend mornings this summer when Livonia Stevenson senior-to-be Jake Colley has returned home from work before many of his peers have even pushed themselves out of bed.

In addition to having a full day still ahead of him, Colley will often have a pocket full of hard-earned cash.

Yes, life as a caddy at Redford Township's Western Golf and Country Club has more than its share of perks.

"I can't think of a better way to make money than working at a beautiful golf course, getting a good four-mile walk in and getting a chance to meet successful businessmen, entrepreneurs, lawyers and doctors every day," said Colley, who competes in cross country and track and field at Stevenson. "Basically, this job is getting me ready for the real world."

Colley is one of close to 100 area teens who are employed as caddies at Western — a sprawling, picturesque private club situated west of Beech Daly and south of Five Mile in Redford.

While the money is good — experienced caddies usually earn around \$50 to \$60 for an 18-hole round; beginners bring in around \$20 to \$30 per loop — the responsibilities that go with the position are plentiful.

**Multi-tiered tasks**  
Along with the obvi-



Western Golf and Country Club golf services manager Scott Coleman (left) oversees a caddy program that employs close to 100 area teenagers, including (from Coleman's left) Alex Ryktarsyk, Michael McComb and Jake Colley.

ous job of carry the clubs, many three- and four-year Western caddies offer golfers yardages, help read greens, replace divots and repair ball marks.

"One of the best things about this job is watching the kids mature over the years," golf services manager Scott Coleman said. "From the time they start as a 14-year-old to the time they leave four or five years later, they're totally different kids. They're more vocal, more confident."

One of the keys to becoming a stellar caddy is knowing when to converse with the golfers, Coleman said.

"I read an excellent article in *Golf Digest* a couple years ago that said, in so many words, in order to be a good caddy, you have to keep up and shut up," Coleman said, smiling. "It's a little harsh, but in a lot of ways it's true. You want to be up in front or alongside the guys you're caddying for, but you can't be telling them about your sister's graduation party and everything that's going

on in your life.

"The nice thing about this club is that a lot of the members have kids who are friends with our caddies, so they know them on a personal level. Our membership-employee relationships are awesome here."

While a good percentage of the job demands a serious approach, there are plenty of light-hearted moments, Coleman said.

"You can tell the producers of the movie *Caddyshack* interviewed a lot of caddies because it is spot-on as far as some of the funny things that really happen," Coleman said. "We can watch some of the scenes in that movie and really relate to them."

**Tons of incentive**

Western's caddies are ranked, depending on their years of service and the results of members' evaluations. First-year workers carry the beginner label. Through hard work and dedication, they can advance to the ranks of intermediate, captain and hon-

ored among the club's highest-ranking caddies is recent Livonia Churchill graduate Alex Ryktarsyk, who will be a freshman at Michigan State University in the fall.

Ryktarsyk is a 2012 recipient of the Western Golf Association's Evans Scholarship — a full-ride award earned by a select few caddies each year.

Awardees are selected based on a number of factors, including service to their club, academics and extracurricular activities.

A four-year caddy, Ryktarsyk knows Western's layout almost as well as he knows his own backyard.

"It just comes down to practice makes perfect," he said. "At this point, after having worked here for four years and being able to play the course on Mondays, I know the yardages, the way the greens roll, how fast you need to hit putts — things like that," he said. "It's just an experience thing. The more you do something, the better you're going to



PHOTOS BY ED WRIGHT

Recent Livonia Churchill graduate Alex Ryktarsyk is the recipient of the prestigious Western Golf Association Evans Scholarship.

be at it."

The most-dedicated caddies are rewarded handsomely for their unyielding commitment.

"The honor and captain level caddies can make as much as \$70 to \$80 for a loop," he said. "That's not bad for 4½ hours of work. Invitationals are generally the best-paying weeks for the caddy season. You can make a couple hundred bucks in three days; some guys make \$400 to \$500, depend-

ing on how their golfers do."

First-year caddy Michael McComb is still a few years away from the big paydays, but he's not complaining.

"I love golf and I love being able to go out on the course and get paid for it," said McComb, a freshman-to-be at Detroit Catholic Central. "It's an awesome job."

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## Whalers' alumni game will benefit Gleaners

Tyler Seguin and the boys are coming back to Plymouth.

The Ontario Hockey League's Plymouth Whalers have announced the team's third annual Alumni Game — known as the "Champions for a Hunger Free Summer" — will be played 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 4, at Compuware Arena.

Whalers alums, led by current Boston Bruins star forward Seguin, will play in the game with proceeds going to Gleaners Community Food Bank of Southeast Michigan.

While Whaler fans reconnect with former players, a winner of the game will be Gleaners and their corporate partners in the company's Hunger Free Summer campaign.

The Whalers are asking fans for a donation of 10 canned goods for admission. Tickets for \$10 can be also purchased by calling the Compuware Arena box office at (734) 453-8400 or by going online to [www.plymouthwhalers.com](http://www.plymouthwhalers.com).

Included in the admission is an autograph session with the alumni, which will run from 2-3:30 p.m.

In addition to Seguin, former Whalers scheduled to skate include NHL players Chad LaRose (Carolina), James Neal (Pittsburgh), Jared Boll (Columbus) and goaltender Matt Hackett (Minnesota) as well as retired Washington Capitals' forward Pat Peake — the only Whaler to have his jersey retired by the franchise.

Other Plymouth alumni tentatively scheduled to



Former Plymouth Whaler and current Boston Bruin star Tyler Seguin is among players slated to participate in the OHL team's Aug. 4 alumni game for Gleaners.

play in the game include former captains Chris Terry (2005-09), John Vigilante (2002-06), AJ Jenks (2006-10) and Mike Morone (1994-97); Tyler G. Brown (2007-11), Ryan Hayes (2007-10), Robbie Czarnik (2009-11), Jamie Devane (2008-12), Damian Surma (1998-02), Joe Byrne (1996-98), Mark Cadotte (1995-97), Scott Fletcher (2008-09), Dan Pawlaczuk (1993-97), Jason Lawmaster (1996-98), J.D. Eaton (1990-93), Jeff Gardiner (1990-92), James Sheehan (1990-92), Ryan Stephenson (2004-06) and Larry Sterling (2000-01).

Ryan McGinnis (2003-07) will attend the game, but will not play.

More alumni will confirm closer to Aug. 4.

Any donation brought to the game will be matched dollar-for-dollar by Char-

ter One Foundation, Ford Motor Company Fund, Enterprise Rent-A-Car, Epoch Restaurant Group, American Specialty Oil Company and Joshua (Jim) and Eunice Stone Foundation providing six meals per dollar for children who are at risk of hunger and malnutrition while school is out.

The Whalers' participation in Gleaners' Hunger Free Summer campaign extends the initiative that goes from July 17-29 and will now run through the Alumni Game. Thirty-five corporations and organizations throughout Oakland County are participating in the effort this year.

For more information about Gleaners Hunger Free Summer campaign, please go online to <http://www.gcfb.org/site/PageServer>.



# MACKINAC

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crew had to wait another hour or more before results were posted and the *Limerick's* victory was official.

"I've been doing this race quite a while, and we've never had a finish that close," Cope said. "The last time we won was five or six years ago, and the difference was about a minute and a half, which is still pretty darn close. But 19 seconds is real close!"

Furthermore, the runner-up skipper, Henderson, is the commodore of the Bayview Yacht Club, which is the host club for the annual race.

"He was very nice about it," Cope said. "He shook our hands and said: 'Man, was that a close race?' Yep, 19 seconds! It could have gone either way."

### 'Good sailors'

What made the race and victory special was the unique makeup of



Steve Van Hoof of Plymouth (rear, right) is at the helm of the *Limerick*. Other crew members are Kerri Pearce (foreground), Mary Elizabeth Sullivan, Brian Yuhn and Dan Holley (rear, left).

the *Limerick* crew, which included three teenage girls. Kerri and McKenzie Pearce and Mary Elizabeth Sullivan are the daughters of Kevin Pearce and crew member Brian Sullivan.

"They're all good sailors," Cope said. "Even though it was their first Mack, they've been on the boat and done other races with us."

"We told them, 'If you really want to do the

Mack, you have to do the Windsor Overnight with us.' That gave them the experience of sailing through the night. We knew it would be fine to take them with us on the Mack."

And the girls had the same duties and expectations of them as any other crew member, and they performed admirably, according to Cope. The crew works in two shifts, rotating every four hours.



A summer sunrise over Lake Huron as seen by members of the *Limerick* crew during the Port Huron to Mackinac Race.

"Ten minutes before the 2 a.m. shift, we'd tell them, 'You guys are on,'" Cope said. "They never batted an eye; they got right up on deck. They really did a good job. They did what we asked them to do."

The girls being lighter in weight than adult males afforded the *Limerick* a real advantage to having them as part of the crew.

"If you can keep the boat going in light air, that's the key," Cope said. "After Thunder Bay (when the wind died), we were real

fortunate we kept the boat moving as well as we did.

"It was great to have them on the boat. When we needed stuff done, we could have the girls move around and do it and keep our weight in one place. I can think of a million places we could have lost 19 seconds."

### First victory

The *Limerick* has been in the Mackinac Race since 1984 when Cope's father, Art, was the owner. Cope, who belongs to the Cres-

cent Sail Yacht Club in Grosse Pointe, and Pearce bought it from him in 1996. The *Limerick* won its first Mackinac Race in 1991 when it was the overall winner.

"There were about 140 boats, and we beat them all that year," Cope said. "They were all big boats we beat. (Some of the other sailors) were so mad they lost to one of those little 30-footers they changed the rules."

The *Limerick* has had several more Mackinac victories since then, and the afterglow from this year's success is certain to last a good while.

For the first time, the post-race party took place at the Grand Hotel, which put on a grand event for the sailors and their families, according to Cope.

"It was really a first-class job this year," he said. "We had a great time at the party. It was well, well done."

And so was the racing performance of the *Limerick* and its crew.



## Clearing the fence

Daniel Jipping (No. 2) of the Michigan Bulls 16U travel baseball team follows through after clubbing another home run June 29 at the 18U Black Swamp Home Run Derby at Carter Park in Bowling Green, Ohio. Jipping, entering his junior year at Plymouth Christian Academy, won the contest.



## Bulldogs have bite!

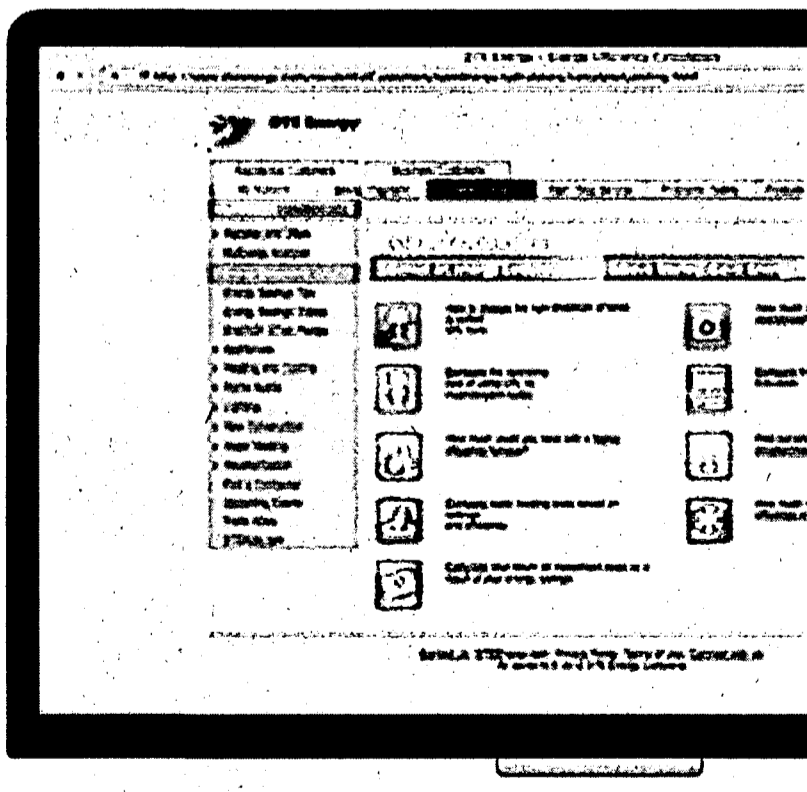
The Michigan Bulldogs 12U travel baseball team recently wrapped up first place in the KVBSA Travel League South Division (of the Community Conference) with a record of 11-5-2 in division play. The team is comprised mostly of players from Plymouth, Canton, Livonia and Westland. Players include: (front row, from left) David Orlando, Shane Aigner, Jacob Russell, Tyler Hodges; (middle row, from left) Mike Jaafar, Maxx Brown, Zack Dickson, Bobby Mason; (back row, from left) Hunter Mastroianni, Davis Coughlin, Davey Farhat and Mitchell White. Not shown are head coach Scott Coughlin and assistant coaches Jim Aigner, Ron Hodges and Dave Russell.

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## PINEWOOD

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Boy Scouts of America) and notebook pages of design ideas.

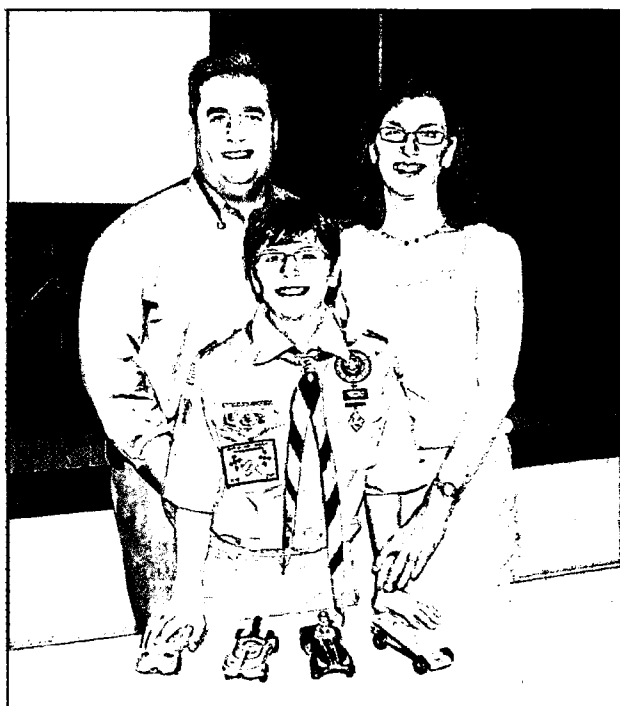
He noted that he made a determined effort to make the 2012 model as sleek as possible in order to help it zoom down the race track with nothing going for it but gravity and engineering.

"All of my cars from the past years ... have all these different parts that might catch the wind," Tom explained. "So this year is really aerodynamic."

Although he added that there "might be a car that looks like it (Red Phoenix), but probably not. I just wanted to go for an aerodynamic design this year."

Brainstorming sessions with his dad, Jeff Cousino, jumpstarted the process. Tom's mom, Sheila Cousino, and his sisters (Claire, 15; Kate, 13) also contributed ideas to the mix.

Just like in previous years, original drawings and sketches were taken down to the workshop. That's where Jeff's power tools began recasting



JOHN KEMSKI

Tom Cousino (front) and his parents (Jeff and Sheila) proudly pose with Tom's Pinewood Derby entries from first through fourth grade. Not shown is the Plymouth Township 11-year-old's recent winner, on display at the Michigan Automotive Hall of Fame.

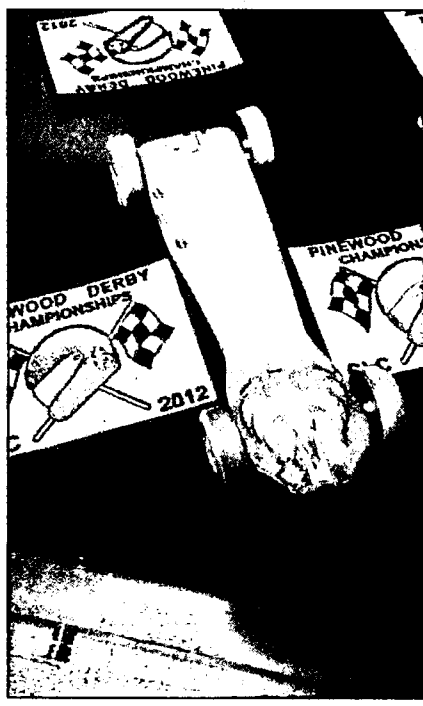
the block. Tom followed up by tweaking, decorating and painting it into contest-ready shape.

Of course, Jeff downplays his involvement.

"The ideas have been his," Jeff said. "And for me that's the biggest part of it."

### Something tangible

Meanwhile, in the virtual world of 2012, the Cousinos relish the process of an idea jumping off a notebook page and — as a finished product — ultimately landing onto the sloping, six-lane Pinewood Derby



The 'Red Phoenix' is on display at Dearborn's Automotive Hall of Fame.

can bring their cars and have them race.

"It's a lot of fun to watch all the crazy cars go down the track because the boys are really creative in their cars, but with the siblings there aren't as many rules."

### Bottom line

One rule they'll have to pay attention to is eligibility. Because Tom now is in a Boy Scout troop (1537 in Plymouth) he cannot enter the 2013 Pinewood Derby competition.

With more time on his hands as he enters sixth grade at Pioneer Middle School, Tom said he will look into activities such as soccer, swimming and basketball.

But he won't soon forget Pinewood Derby.

"I just thought this was a really good experience to do," Tom added. "Because if I hadn't done this we wouldn't have all these cool cars. Plus, I learned a lot of regular engineering things, like aerodynamics. And having a good paint job always is good."

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track. The Hall of Fame exhibit is icing on the cake.

"That's where I think it's the most fun for me," Jeff continued, "is to see their ideas come to life, actually turn into something that ends up going down the track."

"It's one thing to build something on a computer. But to actually build it out of wood and nails and turn it into an actual car, and when you see the boys walk around with the cars, they're

very proud."

Tom's run of success at official Pinewood Derby events certainly topped the bill for the Cousinos.

But Sheila noted how the entire family enjoyed making cars for a recent "sibling" race.

"It's nice that our pack allows this special sibling race," Sheila said. "They've done it four the last four or five years when all the scouts are done racing. All the other people

## NEW COACH

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tion for the program. He is a respected teacher in our building who has a solid rapport with our kids and this will prove beneficial for the soccer program as well."

Grodzicki is a 1992 Stevenson grad who played both basketball and soccer. In 1991, the senior forward scored the game-winning goal for the Spartans in the Class A state finals to beat Saginaw Heritage, 2-1.

Grodzicki owns a B.S. degree in Education at Central Michigan University along with a Masters from Marygrove College. His wife Kelly is the Livonia Red girls gymnastics coach.

"I consider myself a defensive-minded coach first and counter-attack when we can," Grodzicki said. "I like to think that I have a pretty open style as far as play. I want to control the play and put pressure on the other teams' backs."

"It should be a smooth transition. I know all the guys and I'm comfortable with them. I know the parents and the administration, and I know the expectations."

"Working with Reid was great. A lot of the things we set, I'm just going to continue on doing and add my own flavor to as we go."

Churchill finished 11-7-3 in Friedrichs' final season as boys coach losing to the University of Detroit Jesuit in the district finals, 1-0.

"I think we're going to be young in spots," Grodzicki said. "My captains, my leaders will be my seniors. And I'm going to rely on them a lot. We're not going to outscore people. We going to play defense first, and like I said, see where we go from there. We're not going to have a 20-goal scorer I can tell you that."

Grodzicki said he hopes to have a JV coach in place for the first scheduled practice under MHSAA rules, which is Wednesday, Aug. 8.

"I am looking forward to getting started immediately with Matt and I know he is motivated to begin as well," Hage said. "I look forward to Matt carrying on the fine tradition of soccer at Churchill High School."

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Three players who helped Livonia Concealed Security reach the gold bracket at the 2012 National Wood Bat 16U World Series in Cincinnati, Ohio were (from left) Alex Deyonker (Franklin), Kevin Nisun (Franklin) and Austin Stevens (Stevenson).

## Concealed 16U in gold bracket

Livonia Concealed Security went 3-0 in pool play at the 2012 National Wood Bat 16U World Series in Cincinnati and advanced to Saturday's single-elimination gold bracket (results were not available as of press time).

Three players with Livonia ties were instrumental in Wednesday's 7-4 win over Top Prospects Illinois, Thursday's 11-9 victory over Dayton Heat and Friday's 10-2 trouncing of the Cleveland Pelicans.

In the latter win, Concealed's Kevin Nisun (Livonia Franklin) went 2-for-2 and drove in a run as the team made it to the 16-team gold bracket (the World Series started with 48 teams). Dearborn Divine Child's Zack Schmidtke gave up two runs in five innings for

the win.

Concealed's victory over Top Prospects featured strong relief pitching by Alex Deyonker (Franklin), who went 3 2/3 innings for the victory. Deyonker gave up one run and struck out six and helped his own cause at the plate. He tallied a single, run and RBI.

Also coming up with a hit and a run in the game was Austin Stevens (Livonia Stevenson).

The win over Dayton saw Concealed rally from an early 8-3 deficit, taking the lead with four runs in the sixth. Nisun, Deyonker and Dee Jawad walked with one out and all scored on a two-out triple by Zach Tallman. Going 3-for-3 with two runs and four RBI was Schmidtke while John Slater (Southfield) went 2-for-4.

## SPORTS ROUNDUP

### Hawk golf outing

The Farmington Harrison High School Football Boosters Club will have its annual golf outing Sunday, Aug. 5, at Cattails Golf Club in South Lyon.

The event will be a Texas Scramble starting at 2 p.m. The cost is \$100 per player or \$400 per foursome. A steak dinner will follow the golf outing.

A registration form is available at [www.gohawks.org](http://www.gohawks.org), or people may register by calling Dave Race at (248) 376-1535.

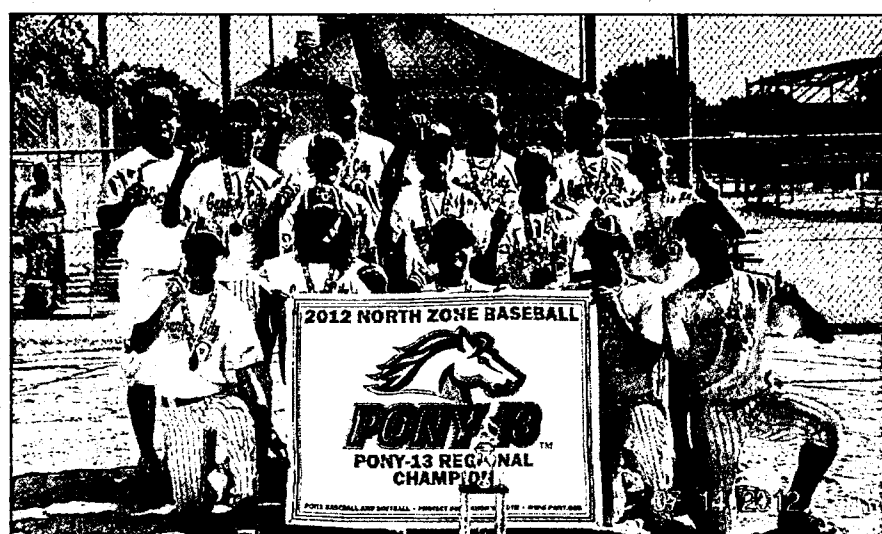
### New members welcome at FHS

The Farmington High School girls swim and dive team is looking for interested girls to join the team. There are no tryouts, and everyone will get a chance to compete.

Practice officially begins Wednesday, Aug. 8, at Farmington High. For more information, contact coach Driska McCullough at (248) 561-2090.

### GCHA signups

The Garden City Hockey Association will begin accepting walk-in registrations for the upcoming 2012-13 season at the Garden City Civic Arena 6-8 p.m. Thursday, July 26, and 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, July 28.



## Sting zones in on title

The 13-and-under Garden City Sting baseball team won the North Zone Pony Regional championship recently and will represent Michigan in a zone tournament held this week in Evansville, Ind. If successful in Indiana, the Sting will advance to the Pony League World Series in Fullerton, Calif. Pictured are (front row from left) Adam Crunk, River Turek, Timmy Leighton, Dakota Mahkimetass, Calin Crawford, (middle row from left Alex Centofanti, Tyler Kelly, Brady Spehar, Dakota Darocha, Joey Morton, (back row from left) coaches Doug Morton, Brian Spehar, Weylin Mahkimetass and Shawn Kelly.



## Stars come out

Celebrating their appearance June 23 at the Greater Canton Youth Baseball Softball Association 14U All-Star Game are: (back row, from left) Bailey Allen, Lauren Manor, Maigan Byers, Allyson Champagne, Kasey Anthony, Anna Coleman, Morgan Reno, Christina Christensen, Katie Waxer, Mia Phillips, Allison Hodge, Lily Alonso; (front row, from left) Madison Kulik, Paige Lohman, Emily Caragay, Rachel Auer, Alexa Ebeling, Marissa Templeton, Hayley Stump, Taylor Berean, Jenna Taylor, Kaitlyn Zech and Jessica Lentine.



## Walking tall

Joseph Drazga, 88, of Livonia, pictured with his proud daughter Nancy Drazga, also of Livonia, completed his first 1-mile walk during the 2012 Plymouth YMCA Father's Day Run. The annual event also included a 1-mile run, 5- and 10-kilometer races.

## Future of Jazz: Schoolcraft will take on fest with Ellis as adviser

Midge Ellis has certainly earned the title of "Ma Jazz." The 88-year-old Livonia resident was busy Sunday, July 15, keeping things running smoothly at the 18th annual Michigan Jazz Festival.

"You see the fruits of your labor right away," Ellis said during a break. "It makes it all worth it."

She and other key "players" do fundraisers all year to make the free summer festival possible.

"We get a lot of donations," Ellis said. She appreciates all the great music, including the "Future of Jazz" stage at Schoolcraft College for young student musicians.

"It does my heart good to see all those young people playing jazz," she said.

The festival has its roots at the Botsford Inn in Farmington Hills, and draws people from out of state as well as nearby. At this year's event, many praised the indefatigable Ellis.

"I've enjoyed it immensely, because it's what I love to do," she said of her work organizing jazz concerts since 1968. She brought big names to the Clarenceville schools complex.

Musicians are paid for the Michigan Jazz Festival, so donations are always appreciated.

Contributions are tax-deductible and used primarily for educational

clinics and workshops for middle school and high school jazz musicians.

In addition to Ellis, many had praise for this year's festival sponsors: Friends of Michigan Jazz Festival, Inmart Group Limited, the late Morry Cohen, the Myron P. Leven Foundation, Nancy Salden, Schoolcraft College Music Department and the Steinway Piano Gallery.

Next year, Schoolcraft College will take over the jazz event, with Ellis in an advisory role. "Hopefully, it'll be transparent," Schoolcraft President Conway Jeffress said of the transition. He was at the July 15 event enjoying the sounds.

Jeffress noted the event has many logistics, and that many musicians play based on their longtime ties to Ellis.

"You have to work on transitioning those relationships," he said. Jeffress agreed Schoolcraft offering jazz studies will help.

"These are folks who typically know each other," he said, adding people always want to save the date early on their calendars. "After that, it's a done deal. This is a unique American art form," said Jeffress, agreeing jazz must continue and offering abundant praise to Ellis, other key organizers, volunteers and the college.

To make a donation to the Michigan Jazz Festival, send checks payable to the Michigan Jazz Festival to Friends of Michigan Jazz Festival, 20457 Maplewood, Livonia, MI 48152-2022. Call (248) 474-2720 for information.

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There was plenty to toot your horn about at the Michigan Jazz Festival July 15. The closing band for the day's event was jazz legend Johnny Trudell and his band.

Sarah Barnes D'Angelo was the special guest singer for the Craig Strain Orchestra.

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The January and June classes will hold a 64-year reunion lunch, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Sept. 20, at the American Legion, Carl E. Stitt Post, 232 Warren Road, Dearborn. For more information call Rose Marie Listwan Kopelkin at (734) 421-1485.

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Looking for Classmates from January and June graduations for 50th reunion, 6 p.m. Sept. 29, at the Holiday Inn, 17123 Laurel Park Dr. North, Livonia. Call Neal and Barb Gehring at (248) 568-2254; NGBG@comcast.net.

1950S, 1960S

Annual Cody 50s-60s picnic, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 19, Nankin Mills Pavilion in Hines Park, located at Ann Arbor Trail and Hines Drive. Music, camaraderie, memorabilia, door prizes, hot dogs, chips, bottled water, baseball hats, T-shirts, sweat shirts, tassels, beads, music CD's are all available. Special parking for classic cars. Bring chairs and pop-ups. No need to register.

Questions? Call Phil Varilone at (313) 562-3579 or e-mail to Pvarilone@wowway.com; Jerry Marszalek at (313) 532-0134 or e-mail to Jmarsares@sbcglobal.net.

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Friday, Sept. 14 at St. Mary's Cultural Center, 18100 Merriam, between Six Mile and Seven Mile, Livonia. Family-style luncheon plus prizes and plenty of school spirit. \$25 per person. Phone Mildred (Lois) Carpenter at (248) 427-0673 for tickets. Deadline is Aug. 25.

CLASS OF 1962

Looking for classmates from January and June classes for 50th class reunion Saturday, Sept. 22 at Western Golf and Country Club, Redford. Cost is \$62 per person. Other weekend activities include tour of school, evening icebreaker and Sunday brunch. For information call Judy Alegnani Murray, (313) 399-0507, Judy Hull Rakowski, (734) 459-3832, Helen Knight Tucker, (734) 285-4927 or Ralph Brighton, (734) 513-7499.

FARMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS OF 1962

The 50th class reunion will be held Saturday, Sept. 22 at Farmington Hills Holiday Inn, 37529 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills; (248) 477-7800. The \$60 per person cost includes a welcome reception from 2-5 p.m. and an evening dinner dance with cash bar. Cocktails will be at 6 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m. Reservations deadline is Sept. 1. For more information call Michele Cook Hoffmeyer at (602) 290-6006 or e-mail to russmichele@yahoo.com. Check Classmates and Facebook FHS Class of 62 Reunion pages for more information.

GARDEN CITY HIGH SCHOOL EAST

**CLASSES OF 1968-1973**  
Reunion Sept. 22. Looking for classmates. Check out the "Garden City High School (East) Reunion 2012" on facebook. Or e-mail to Cindy Eads Frens at irish4200@hotmail.com, Debi Cassidy Haller at debi.haller@gmail.com, Doris Fugaban Williams at doris1226@wowway.com, Lee A Gilligan at ee.gilligan@att.net, Sue Cook at stasselmyer@charter.net, SuzieWright Rogiero at suzierogiero@yahoo.com, Jackie Kalifut at jackieideson@gmail.com or Jeff Fordell at jeffreyfordell@comcast.net.

GARDEN CITY WEST

**CLASS OF 1972**  
6:30 p.m. Oct. 27. For more information e-mail to Janine (Alioto) Brown at jbrown@psm.inc.net.



A baby wildlife animal, such as a bunny, may appear abandoned, but may simply be left unattended temporarily by its mother.

Michigan Humane Society urges care with wildlife

The Michigan Humane Society (MHS) is asking residents to exercise caution before intervening with what may appear to be an abandoned baby animal. The MHS Wildlife Department has reported a high number of young wildlife animals being brought in for care. Although it may appear

that baby animals such as birds, ducks, rabbits or fawns are abandoned, most of the time the mother is nearby. It is normal for many species to leave their young unattended for hours at a time. For example, mother deer leave their fawns for up to eight hours before returning to nurse. Fawns do not carry a scent, so by watching her young from a distance, a mother deer helps keep her scent from attracting predators to them. Another example are baby birds, who typically do not fly as soon as they leave the nest, and require a few days on the ground to build up their flight muscles. When baby animals are removed from their mother and their habitat, they often cannot survive. In general, MHS recommends only moving animals if they are in immediate peril. Before intervening or for more information, contact either your local Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) office, or the DNR's Wildlife Department at (517) 373-1263. You also can contact the MHS Wildlife Department at (248) 852-7420, ext. 224. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesdays. For tips on living in harmony with wildlife, visit www.michiganhumane.org.

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Greek physicians in 400 B.C. provided a description and treatment for gout that has prevailed to the present day. Ancient manuscripts describe the sudden onset and intense pain of gout and its predilection for the great toe, ankle, and knee. Furthermore, these writings noted that colchicine was the drug of choice to stop these attacks. For the last 2500 years what medical students learned about the treatment of gout was to take colchicine, one tablet an hour until 12 tablets are taken, the attack ends, or gout ensues. To prevent further attacks the patient should take colchicine or two tablets a day. Now that classical regimen is to be used no more. In 2009, the Federal Drug Administration (FDA) announced that any pharmaceutical company that wanted to market colchicine had to submit reports of investigations providing the efficacy of the drug. No such studies had ever been done before. The investigations showed that the best outcomes resulted when patients took two colchicine tablets when a gout attack came on, and one tablet an hour later if the attack had not resolved. Then the patient stopped using colchicine completely. The only exception was to take colchicine, one tablet two times a day, when starting long term therapy with Allopurinol or Uloric. The new approach has taken many physicians by surprise. The medical community is still adapting to these guidelines that seem contrary to tradition, training, and the experience of physicians practicing today. If the reader has an episode of gout, keep this information on colchicine in mind; bring it to the attention of the physician, if he begins to treat your gout using colchicine in a different manner.

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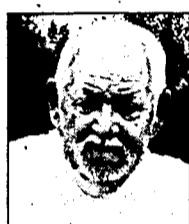
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**BEACH, SHERMAN LYNN**  
Of Milan, MI, age 58, passed away on July 17, 2012 at his home. Beloved son of Linda Potestio and loving father to four children Heather (Jim), Kevin (Kim), Gary, and Joshua. Grandfather to Stephen, Danielle, Brianna, Gracie, Nicole and Alex. He is survived by his brother, Vernon (Lori) and sister Laura (Charles), several nieces and nephews, former wife and devoted friend Jennifer and preceded in death by his former wife, Annemarie. The memorial will be on Sunday, July 22, 2012 at Newburgh United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia, MI, beginning with family visitation at 6:00 pm. Memorial services will begin at 7:00 pm. Contributions may be made in his memory to The American Heart Association



**FARMER, JAMES D.**  
July 17, 2012, age 79, of Westland, MI. Beloved husband of Martha. Dear father of Bruce (Carla), Debbie & Beth Farmer. Brother of Jerry, Jack, the late Kenneth, Ralph & Robert. Grandfather of Todd (Theresa) Farmer & Amie (Craig) Krzeminski. Great-Grandfather of Justin, Evan, Kendal & Colin. James worked for Delta Airlines for 38 years. He retired at 59 to enjoy his garden & flowers. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Please watch the funeral home website for an update of the memorial service. Family requests memorials to Michigan Humane Society. Please visit and sign a tribute at www.uhth.com



**FARRAR, TERENCE D.,**  
July 19, 2012. Devoted husband of Joan (nee McKiernan). Loving father of Ann Ross (Anthony), Maureen Huldin (Donald), James (Mary Denise), Paul (Kristen) and the late John Joseph. Beloved grandfather of John, Colleen and Theresa Ross, Grayson and Ryan Huldin, Jack, Charlie and Joey Farrar, and Lauren, Emily and baby to be Farrar. Also survived by his sister Jean Farrar, sister-in-law Patricia Farrar, brother-in-law Jerry Harkins and many nieces and nephews. Founder and President of Super Steel Treating Company. Active member of Holy Name Parish. Proud member of Legatus, Knights of Holy Sepulchre and Knights of Malta. Captain in the U.S. Air Force from 1954-1961. Family will receive friends Sunday 1-9 p.m. at A.J. Desmond & Sons Funeral Home, 2600 Crooks Road (between Maple & Big Beaver), with Rosary at 7 p.m. Funeral Mass Monday 10 a.m. at Holy Name Church, 630 Harmon, Birmingham. Visitation at church begins at 9 a.m. Memorial tributes to Holy Cross Children's Services or Holy Name Church or Capuchin Soup Kitchen. View obituary and share memories at: www.DesmondFuneralHome.com



**GARREN, LURETTA**  
July 18, 2012, age 60, of Canton. Beloved and loving wife of Michael Straub. Precious mother of James C. Dixon III and Kelly L. Dixon. Step-mother of Michael B. Straub, Kyle Sarah, Carol Burkhardt and Heather Shoemaker. Proud grandmother of Carly and Jayden. Dear sister of Wanda, Homer, Sandra, Rayburn and Elizabeth. Visitation Sunday 2-9 PM at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 W. Ann Arbor Rd., (btwn Sheldon & Beck) Plymouth. In state Monday 10 AM until the 11 AM Funeral Service at NorthRidge Church, 49555 N. Territorial Road, (at Ridge) Plymouth. Memorials may be made to Karmanos Cancer Institute. To share a memory, please visit: vermeulenfuneralhome.com

**GILBERT, CHARLES D.**  
Of Bloomfield Hills, MI and La Quinta, CA, passed away suddenly, July 16, 2012. Chuck graduated from the University of Michigan and received a BBA and MBA degree. Chuck was a devoted husband to his wife Nancy and father to his daughter Jeannie. He and Nancy went to great lengths to attend all of his daughter's athletic events and matches regardless of the distance they had to travel. He was an avid duck hunter, golfer, photographer and gardener. He was an incredibly kind and generous man who would help anyone in need. He was a contributor and member of the University of Michigan Alumni Society, Sigma Nu, Crossroads for Youth (Camp Oakland) in Oxford, MI and the Elks Club and many other nonprofit organizations. He is survived by his wife whom he was married to for 56 years, Nancy, daughter Jeannie of La Quinta, CA, Jim and Helen Holmes of Bloomfield Hills, and many cousins, nieces and nephews. There will be no funeral or memorial service at this time. Donations are welcome to be made in his honor to the any youth athletic programs or the organization of the donor's choice.

**HENDZELL, ELEANORE M.**  
Age 87, at peace with our Lord on July 17, 2012. Beloved wife of the late Walter. Loving mother of Tom (Mary), Bob (Lynne) and Gary (Phyllis). Proud grandma of eight and Cherished great-grandmother of two. Family and friends will gather together on Monday July 23rd for an 11:00am graveside service at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield, Michigan. Arrangements entrusted to Brady-Gill Funeral Home, Tinley Park, IL. (708) 614-9900 or www.bradygill.com

**HOISINGTON, RUSSELL F.**  
July 14, 2012, age 85. Beloved husband of Marlene. Dear father of Lesley Castle, Peter (Susan) Hoisington, Joseph (Josefina) Hoisington, Heather (Jay) Brittingham, Linda Gowans and Lisa Shott. Grandfather of Benjamin, Raymond, Christopher, Dayton, Brittany, Jesse, Tyler, Daniel, Daniel and Cassie and great-granddaughter of Kirra. Memorial gathering Thursday from 4pm until time of special remembrances at 6pm at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 South Main Street, Plymouth. Memorial service Friday, 11am at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 West Six Mile Road, Northville. Contributions suggested to St. John's Hospice, the Salvation of Army or Plymouth Rotary Foundation. Share your special thoughts and memories at: www.schrader-howell.com



**JENNINGS, WILLIAM HARRY**  
Passed away Sunday, July 15, 2012 peacefully in his home. He leaves behind his children, William Harry Jennings Jr, and his wife, Karen and two grandchildren, Bill and Lynn and 5 great grandchildren, Candace Jennings, her husband and daughter, Steve Crowe and Samantha, Gary Jennings and his wife, Sin Ling and youngest daughter, Jill Dotterer, and her husband Jim. Bill was a dedicated teacher for the Livonia School District for 38 years. His wife, Patricia, who passed away in 2002, was also a teacher in Livonia. Residents in the Livonia community for over 50 years, they enjoyed volunteering as Friends of the Library. They had a passion for traveling the United States in their Avion trailer, but most of all, loved spending time camping and touring around Michigan. An avid golfer, he never passed up the opportunity to golf with his family or friends. He had a passion for painting and loved working with watercolors. Mr. Jennings will be cremated and there will be a celebration of his life set at a later date. Arrangements by Casterline Funeral Home of Northville.

**JONES, V. JEAN (DEARTH)**  
Age 68 of Naples, FL formerly of Westland, MI. Passed away on July 11, 2012. Beloved mother of Rhonda (Jason) Moore. Survived by her brother, Ronald (Diana) Dearth, Nancy Henry, Debra (Robert) DeMoisey Patricia (William) Engle and grandmother of Zoe Moore and her pet Sophie. A private service was held.

**LEADFORD, CENA MAE**  
Was born on November 22, 1920 in DeKalb, Texas and passed away peacefully to be with the Lord on July 14, 2012. Beloved wife of the late Leven H. Leadford. Loving mother of Sue (Bill) Fuss, Gayle (Jim) Tabeling, Gary (Sue), Lary (Ginny) and Dara (Marcia) Leadford. She will also be missed by 11 grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren. Funeral service will be held at 11:00am July 24, 2012 at Oak Chapel at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens, Novi, MI. Burial will follow. Donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. We continue to love her and will miss her dearly.

**METTETAL, ELI**  
July 18, 2012, Age 88 of Redford. Beloved husband of Elma. Dear father of Terry (Jim)MaGraw, Ron (Karen) Mettetal and Vickie (Gary) Hulbert. Owner of Mettetal Greenhouse. Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 W. Ann Arbor Rd, Plymouth. Services will be private. Donations may be made to Homeward Bound Pet Rescue, Westland or Humane Society. To share a memory, please visit: vermeulenfuneralhome.com

**PASSAGE, MARION F.**  
July 15, 2012, age 96; member of Saint Andrew Episcopal Church of Livonia. Beloved wife of the late Robert. Beloved mother of Carolyn Kleinsmith and Rita Passage. Dear grandmother of Douglas (Astrid), Jeffrey (Emily) and Erik (Susan) Kleinsmith. Great grandmother of Christian, Alexander, Ethan, Olivia, John and Grant. Memorial service Saturday, October 6, 2012 at 11 am at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 South Main Street, Plymouth. In lieu of flowers contributions suggested to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, KS 66675; or the Secret Service Uniform Division Benefit Fund, Attention Rosie Manning, 2057 Stargrass Ct., Woodbridge, VA 22192. Share your special thoughts and memories at: www.schrader-howell.com

**SMITH, DENNIS JAMES**  
July 14, 2012. Age 54. Beloved husband of Janet M. Dear father of Dale (Erin) and Denise. Brother of Dianna (Danny) McComas; Dorothy (Al) Mummy; Daniel, Dean (Sara) and Kelly (Romeo) Suryono. Loving grandfather of Devon and Travis. The family has entrusted care and services to the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home (734) 981-1700. Share a "Memorial Tribute" with the family at: griffinfuneralhome.com

**In memory of MARY "BECKIE" DOLAN**  
August 26, 1921-May 8, 2012. A Memorial Service in her honor will be held on July 28, 2012, 11:00am. Nativity Episcopal Church, 21220 W. Fourteen Mile Rd., Bloomfield Twp, MI 48301

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## Milestones



**Nogiec-Sasena**  
Amber BreAnn Nogiec and Ty Austin Sasena announce their engagement.  
The bride-to-be, daughter of Jean and Glenn Nogiec of Riverview, graduated in 2005 from Riverview High School. She earned a bachelor's degree and a dental hygiene degree from the University of Detroit-Mercy. She works as a dental hygienist at All Bright Dental in Dearborn.  
Her fiancé, son of Lori and Mark Sasena of Plymouth, earned a bachelor of business administration degree with an accounting major from Eastern Michigan University. He works in Livonia at Sasena's Accounting.  
An October 2012 wedding is planned at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church in Wyandotte, with a reception to follow at Burton Manor.

## GARDEN & NATURE

Send garden and nature information and photos to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@hometownlife.com.

**Belleville Walk**  
The Belleville Area District Library will present its seventh annual Garden Walk, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, July 22. The theme is "The Decorated Garden" with an emphasis on using art and other objects as focal points in the garden. Each of the five gardens on the tour artfully incorporates manmade objects. The Garden Market Place returns to the library lawn this year. A Garden Walk ticket is not necessary to shop the Market Place. On the day of the Garden Walk, tickets are \$12 and available only at the Belleville Area District Library, 167 Fourth St., Belleville. Addresses with maps are available at the library on the day of the walk. Call (734) 699-3291 for additional information or visit www.belleville.lib.mi.us for a copy of the brochure. All proceeds from the garden walk benefit the library.

**English Gardens**  
Get tips on planning, planting and maintaining flowers in the shade at 7

p.m. Wednesday, July 25 and 10 a.m. Saturday, July 28.  
Learn to arrange flowers in a vase at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 4. This step-by-step demonstration features lots of inspirations and design basics to get your started.  
Get tips on attracting butterflies and birds to the garden at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 11.  
Find out how to preserve the harvest at a free presentation, 10 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 18.  
Area stores are at 155 N. Maple, Ann Arbor, (734) 332-7900; 22650 Ford Road in Dearborn Heights, (313) 278-4433; 4901 Coolidge Highway, Royal Oak, (248) 280-9500; and 6370 Orchard Lake Road, in West Bloomfield; (248) 851-7506.

**Master Gardener**  
Become a Master Gardener volunteer by taking a 13-week series of classes, 4:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, beginning Aug. 14 at the Venoy Annex building, 5454 Venoy, Wayne. The application fee is \$25 and registration and materials fee is \$300. Contact Anita Callender at callen12@anr.msu.edu or call (734) 729-3632 ext. 103 for an application.

## RELIGION CALENDAR

Send items for the religion calendar to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@hometownlife.com.

**July ADULT ACADEMY**  
Time/Date: 7 p.m., Monday-Thursday, July 30-31 and Aug. 1-2  
Location: St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia  
Details: The Rev. Paul Stunckel will lead adult learning. The series is "Theology for the Fearless: Who is God? What do we mean by 'incarnation?' and Other Conversations"  
Contact: (734) 422-1470

**BIBLE TALK**  
Time/Date: 4 p.m. Sunday, July 22  
Location: Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main, Plymouth  
Details: These one-hour meetings will emphasize the life and teachings of Christ. No collections will be taken. Ministers are Matthew Jensen and Jason McNally  
Contact: (515) 851-2939

**CLOTHING BANK**  
Time/Date: 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, July 28  
Location: Canton Christian Fellowship Clothing Bank, 41920 Joy, between Lilley and Haggerty, Canton  
Details: Free clothing and shoes to anyone in need  
Contact: (734) 927-6686 or (734) 404-2480.

**COMMUNITY FUN DAY**  
Time/Date: 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday, July 28  
Location: Community Free Will Baptist Church, 33031 Cherry Hill, Westland  
Details: Free food, bouncy houses, Westland Fire Truck, face painting, games, silent auction and more  
Contact: (734) 536-1210

**MOVIE NIGHT**  
Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, July 25  
Location: Bixman Hall at the church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia  
Details: "Monsignor Quixote" will be screened. A brief discussion will follow the film. Admission is free and refreshments will be served  
Contact: RSVP at (734) 425-5950

**RUMMAGE SALE**  
Time/Date: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Friday, July 27 and 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, July 28  
Location: Timothy Lutheran Church, 8820 Wayne Road, Livonia  
Contact: timothylivonia@yahoo.com; (734) 427-2290

**SEEKING CRAFTERS**  
Time/Date: Show is Oct. 6  
Location: St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, located on Five Mile one block west of Inkster Road, in Livonia  
Details: An 8- by 10-foot space can be rented for \$30. Tables are available for \$5 and electricity for \$5. Crafts must be handmade; no resale. Profits will go to mission work in the community  
Contact: (248) 478-4708 or e-mail jsinc2436@yahoo.com

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
Time/Date: 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. July 23-27  
Location: St. Matthew Lutheran Church and School, 3885 Venoy, Westland  
Details: The theme is "Incredible World Amusement Park." Kids will experience the wonder of God's creation made in six days. As they travel back to the beginning, they will put on their "Bible glasses" and get a closer look at God's design features in animals. Kids will make crafts, play water games, relays and more. Aimed at age 3 to 6th grade.  
Contact: (734) 425-0261

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
Time/Date: 9:30 a.m.-noon, July 30-31 and Aug. 1-2  
Location: Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard, Livonia  
Details: "Sky - Everything is Possible with God" is the theme. Aimed at children, age 3-5th grade. Preschoolers must be potty-trained. Free CD of music from the week. Cost is \$10 per child, \$25 for families with three or more children. Registration forms are available in the church office. Church office hours are 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. Call ahead to assure someone can help you  
Contact: Pam Gunderson at (734) 422-0494, Ext. 14, or visit rgpc.children@yahoo.com

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
Time/Date: 9:30 a.m.-noon, July 30-Aug. 3  
Location: St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia  
Details: "VBS Olympics" is aimed at children, age 3 through 5th grade and will include story time and lesson, music, crafts, recreation and snack. Cost is \$5 per child and registration is available now  
Contact: (734) 422-1470, ext. 17 or e-mail to christianeducator@sppc-email.org

**WORSHIP IN THE PARK**  
Time/Date: 11 a.m., July 22 and 29  
Location: at the Cherry Hill Schoolhouse, located at Cherry Hill and Ridge Road in Canton  
Details: St. Michael Lutheran Church hosts the service. Bring a lawn chair to the event  
Contact: (734) 459-3333

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## Golf, health talk

### Pro golfer Fred Funk visits Providence Park Hospital

By Julie Brown  
Staff Writer

Pro golfer Fred Funk is well paid to worry about his golf game — but he doesn't want you to worry unduly about yours.

"Drink more," the Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., resident advised light-heartedly during a July 10 visit to Novi's Providence Park Hospital. He wants weekend golfers to enjoy the game.

Funk, 56, was in town for the U.S. Senior Open and came to the hospital to meet patients and staff. One of his sponsors is the Stryker firm, which makes the knee used in Funk's right knee 2009 replacement surgery.

He was at Providence both to share golf tips and to encourage orthopedic patients.

"I see 'em every day," Funk said of everyday golfers on the course. "It doesn't matter what you tell them, they don't do it anyway" when it comes to the sport.

His FedExCup rank is 214th and FedExCup points 47, with a scoring average of 72.08. He's 32nd in career earnings on the PGA Tour, and served as men's golf coach at the University of Maryland, his alma mater, 1982-88.

"I thought it was a really nice opportunity for Providence," said Dr. David Markel, M.D., orthopedic surgeon with a subspecialty of hip and knee replacement. He's also chair of the program at Providence.

Markel golfs "occasionally," and noted significant changes in joint replacement surgery over the last 20-30 years. The devices used are more durable and longer lasting.

"More people are doing better longer, which is good," Markel said.

#### 'Living longer'

That's changed the questions health care folks now ask after the surgery. Questions now are often can a patient golf nine or even 18 holes without a cart, or bicycle. "People are living longer," Markel said, and his specialty is predicted to be the fastest growing medical area.

Several of his patients came to the Novi hospital that day, including Gary and Cathy Latendresse of Grosse Ile, both golfers.

"We're Dr. Markel fans and we're Fred Funk fans," said Gary. "We're always looking for a road trip."

The couple, both 69, have had three knees done between them, both of his and one of hers. "This one's coming next," Cathy said of her second.

He had his done in November 2007 and October 2011, she in November 2011. Both Cathy and Gary noted the speed of recovery. "You walk out of the hospital," he said.

"Our bedroom's on the second floor," she added. After surgery, patients quickly begin to work on stair climbing and other essential areas.

Patient Karen Harris of Lathrup Village is also



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Senior PGA golfer Fred Funk, right, compares his knee-replacement scar with Cathy Latendresse, left, and Karen Harris at Novi's Providence Park Hospital on July 11. All three have had their knees replaced and Funk was able to resume his golfing career after having his done a few years ago. Funk, who was in the area for a weekend tournament, visited Providence Park to promote the company that made his knee replacement part.

a registered nurse at the hospital. She had knee surgeries in December 2011 and March 2012 with Markel.

"I am trying to get back into it," Harris said of her golf game. Her work at the hospital takes physical strength and agility, which she has.

"Very good," Harris said.

"My knees don't give me any trouble at all. A complete turnaround."

The patients enjoyed chatting with Funk, who touted knee replacement surgery.

"You're going to make your own decisions," he said. "I've had enough of this lifestyle" was what motivated him, along with professional considerations. "I got to bone on bone. I just decided I'd had

enough."

He's required as a pro to walk the course. "There's no way I would be playing now if I didn't" have the surgery, Funk said.

He got on the course not too long after surgery, with Markel interjecting humorously "Less than was advised" during the Providence appearance.

Funk, whose favorite course is Pebble Beach, turned pro in 1981. The

former newspaper circulation supervisor is splitting his time this year between the PGA Tour and the Champions Tour.

He has eight PGA Tour victories and became the fifth oldest player to win on the PGA Tour with victory at the 2007 Mayakoba Classic.

Funk, who is married with kids, entered the University of Maryland Athletic Hall of Fame in 2007, and is also in the State of Maryland Athletic Hall of Fame.

#### Community work

He's active in Jacksonville raising money for a young man who was paralyzed and is a quadriplegic as a result of a high school football injury in 2004. The young man, with a spinal cord injury, and his family moved into a wheelchair-accessible home in 2006 with the help of Funk and others.

"He's doing great," Funk said of the young man, who's finishing college. "His attitude is unbelievable. He's always looked at the positive side."

Joe Hurshe, vice president of operations at the Novi hospital, and a golfer, said the facility does over 3,300 combined orthopedic procedures a year. Providence has about 30 percent of the region's market share, added Hurshe, whose dad had knee replacement.

He and other staffers looked forward to meeting a pro golfer, a different kind of work day.

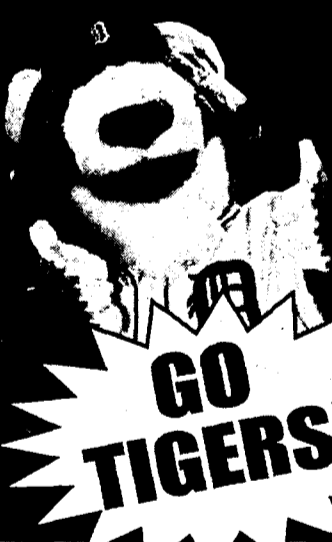
"Absolutely. We don't get to do that every day," Hurshe said.

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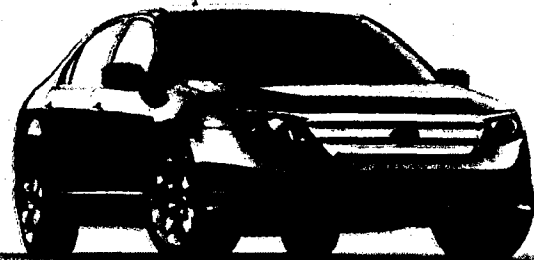
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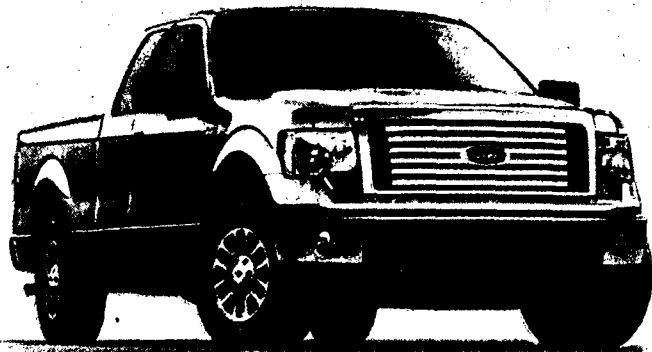


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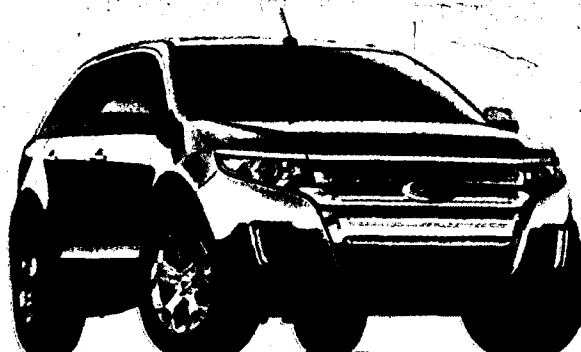


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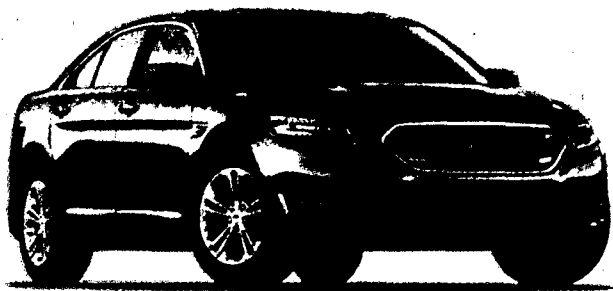


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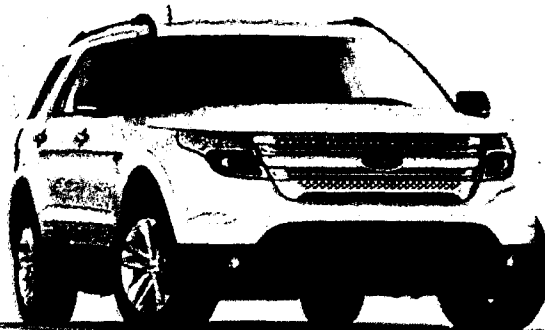


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